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MICHIGAN SECTION

A COMMUNITY OF

TRANSPORTATION PROFESSIONALS

Annual Meeting – Thursday, Dec 3rd, 2026
Farmington Hills, Michigan

Location:

The Hawk

29995 Twelve Mile Rd,

Farmington Hills, MI 48334

Free on-site parking

Hosted by Mark Saksewski, City of Farmington Hills

Meeting Schedule

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Check-In/Registration		
8:00 am	Doors Open: Registration, Coffee & Networking	
8:00am – 9:00am	*Past President's Breakfast – Former ITE Michigan Section Presidents welcome for an exclusive breakfast.*	
Morning Session		
Time	**Topic**	**Presenter(s)**
9:00 AM	**Opening Remarks**	**Moderator**
9:05 AM	**Push the Button**	**Tracie Leix, Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT)**
	Learn about MDOT University Region's implementation of pedestrian only phasing on I-94BL/Michigan Avenue in Jackson. This talk includes a dive into the long-term safety concerns, MDOTs partnership with Henry Ford Hospital, and how the University Region and Jackson TSC implemented the first pedestrian only phasing on trunkline in the Region.	
9:35 AM	Break	
9:45 AM	**Collaborative Transportation: Traffic Engineers and Transportation Planners**	**Brad Strader, C2G** **Arthur Mullen, Wade Trim**

	Building on last year's ITE session, the Michigan Association of Planning's Transportation Committee is developing a new series of training programs. This first session explores how planners can effectively collaborate with traffic engineers throughout planning, project development, and communication. Topics include translating technical data for public and stakeholder understanding, establishing practical safety-focused goals and performance measures, building consensus, and maintaining alignment as the project moves from concepts thru design and construction.	
10:45 AM	Break	
11:00 AM	**Surviving Addressing the Public**	**Barb Arens, C2G** **Chris Zull, Progressive Companies** **Margaret Barondess, HNTB** **Steve Stramsak, Spalding DeDecker** **Julie Kroll, Fleis & Vanderbrink** **Matt Hunter, HNTB**
	This group of presenters will educate the audience on what to do and what not to do when it comes to public engagement.	
12:00 PM	Lunch	
ITE Michigan Annual Meeting		
• **Section Updates** • **Election Results** • **Transfer of Presidency** • **Treasurer's Update** • **Awards** • **Scholarships** • **Endowment Photo**		**Bonnie Wood, Huron-Clinton Metroparks** **Julie Kroll, F&V** **Heather Zull, MDOT** **Cole Villalobos, HRC** **Alex Rucinski, RCOC**
Afternoon Session		
Time	**Topic**	**Presenter(s)**
1:30 PM	**Lightning Round Updates**	**Alyssa Wambold, Fishbeck** **Alex Belm, OHM** **Jeff Oonk & Chris Zull, City of Wyoming & Progressive** **John Carrier, Carrier & Gable** **Eric Arnsman, HNTB**

	1. *Multimodal Traffic Impact Studies: Lessons Learned* 2. *TBA* 3. *Pedestrian Bridge* 4. *Work Zone Safety Products* 5. *TBA*	
2:30 PM	Break	
2:45 PM	**TBA**	**TBA**
3:15 PM	**I-375: Community Design**	**Dave Langlois, HNTB**
	Transforming I-375 in Detroit through innovative design and community-centered delivery.	
3:45 PM	Closing Remarks	

Fees:
Includes lunch and continuing education seminars with up to **4.0 hours** of Continuing Education Hours (CEH). CEH records will be available online following the event. Please make sure to sign-in at the event.

Payment Due:	ITE Member/ Public Agency	Non-Member Private Industry	Students
EARLY BIRD PRICE (Ends Nov 19th)	$45	$55	$10
Regular Payment/Registration	$55	$65	$15

Registration: https://itemichigan.org/?page_id=12580

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Post Session Happy Hour:

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