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Did you know?

LHTAC was formed in 1994 by the Legislature.

Before LHTAC only 61% of local projects made it to construction.

Since LHTAC accepted Federal-aid responsibilities from ITD, all eligible projects have made it to construction.

We represent the locals on over 15 technical committees such as the 129K pound truck route subcommittee.

This spring we will be rolling out an interactive web based statewide bridge information map. It will show which system the bridge is on, the jurisdiction, county, age and sufficiency.

LHTAC Visits the Statehouse

Jeff Miles, LHTAC's Interim Administrator at the time, and Don Ebert, LHTAC's Chairman, were given the opportunity to present in front of both the Senate Transportation Committee and the House Transportation and Defense Committee on February 26th, 2015.



These presentations included a brief background on LHTAC's history, the makeup of the Council, our current staff organization chart, a map of the jurisdictions we represent and a rundown of the programs we administer.

The Committees were presented with a copy of our FY14 Annual Report and our newest Bridge Mapbook was made available.

A copy of this presentation can be found on our website under *Presentations* on the *Resource* Tab.

www.lhtac.org/resources/presentations

LHTAC has published statewide local road, local bridge, and state bridge data in a new mapset also available online.

www.lhtac.org/resources/maps

Just Announced! Application rankings have been released and are posted online at www.lhtac.org.



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April is National Distracted Driving Awareness Month

What is distracted driving?

Distracted driving is any activity that could divert a person's attention away from the primary task of driving. All distractions endanger driver, passenger and bystander safety. These types of distractions include:

- Texting
- Using a cell phone
- Eating and drinking
- Talking to passengers
- Grooming
- Reading, including maps
- Using a navigation system
- Watching a video
- Adjusting the stereo

But, because text messaging requires visual, manual, and cognitive attention from the driver, it is by far the most alarming distraction.

Upcoming Calendar of Events

Date/Time	Event	Location
March 24-26, 2015	Twin Falls Safety Fest www.lhtac.org/training/safety-fest	CSI—Fine Arts Building 315 Falls Ave. Twin Falls, ID 83303
March 25-27, 2015	2015 Mountain West Municipal Clerks & Treasures Institute www.idahocities.org/events	The Riverside Hotel 2900 Chinden Blvd Boise, ID 83714
April 7-9, 2015	Eastern Idaho Safety Fest www.lhtac.org/training/safety-fest	Red Lion Conference Center 1555 Pocatello Creek Rd. Pocatello, ID 83201
June 4, 2015	T2 Advisory Board Meeting www.lhtac.org/training	LHTAC 3330 Grace St. Boise, ID 83703
June 19, 2015	LHTAC Quarterly Council Meeting www.lhtac.org/resources/council-meetings	ITD District 2 Office 2600 Frontage Road Lewiston, ID 83501

www.lhtac.org

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Lee Staker
Commissioner, Bonneville County

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Consultant Services Project Manager
Idaho Transportation Department

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Community Planner
FHWA-Idaho Division

Special Course



Local Systemic Safety, Data Analysis, and Solutions

Locations

April 27 in Coeur d'Alene

April 29 in Idaho Falls

April 30 in Boise

Time

8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Course and Learning Outcomes:

Upon completion of the course, participants will be able to:

Define safety and the difference between nominal and substantive safety. Describe the difference between “systemic” and “reactive” safety processes including problem identification, risk factors, prioritizing projects, and countermeasure selection. Understand the function of the Highway Safety Manual. Understand the value of data and basic methods of data analysis to identify safety problems. Define approaches to implementing safety countermeasures and application of benefit/cost analysis and application of crash modification factors.

Register through the T2 Center
www.lhtac.org/training/courses.

T2 Center

Do you have a request for a specific T2 Center class in your area?

If you have 15* or more students to commit to a class and haven't seen it offered in your area call us today to request it.

We can add additional classes to meet the needs of your group.

Call the T2 Center today and ask for Lorie.

208-344-0565

**Please note that a minimum of 15 students is required for most classes but may vary based on the course.*

Did you know?

In FY2014 the LHTAC T2 Center offered 92 courses to 2,033 participants.

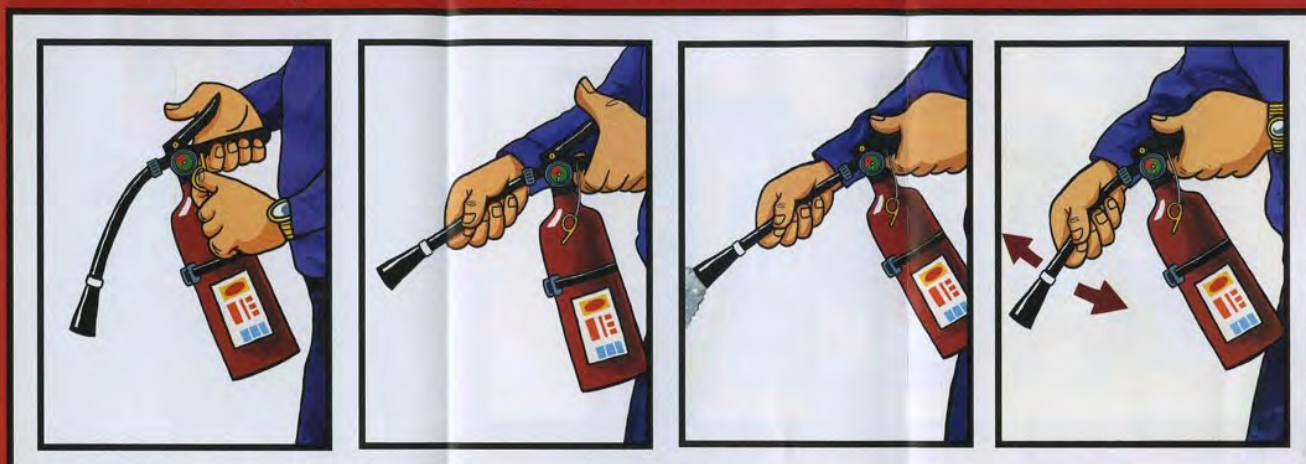
That doesn't count the 1,000 free seats available through the Eastern Idaho Safety Fest that LHTAC hosts yearly.



NEW CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING MANAGER

We are pleased to announce that Odo Grandi has been selected for the position of Construction Engineering Manager.

To use your extinguisher, remember "P.A.S.S."



PULL... Pull the pin. This will also break the tamper seal.

AIM... Aim low, pointing the extinguisher nozzle (or its horn or hose) at the base of the fire.

Note: Do not touch the plastic discharge horn on CO2 extinguishers, it gets very cold and may damage skin.

SQUEEZE... Squeeze the handle to release the extinguishing agent.

SWEEP... Sweep from side to side at the base of the fire until it appears to be out. Watch the area. If the fire re-ignites, repeat steps 2 - 4.

If you have the slightest doubt about your ability to fight a fire evacuate immediately!

COUNCIL NAMES NEW ADMINISTRATOR

We are pleased to announce that Jeff Miles has been selected for the position of LHTAC Administrator.

Jeff Miles has been the Deputy Administrator for LHTAC for the past three and a half years. Jeff is in his 36th year of active involvement in transportation engineering.



LHTAC is looking for YOUR FEEDBACK! March 23rd through April 6th

The Local Highway Technical Assistance Council (LHTAC) will be accepting comments and suggestions for improvements on our current funding applications. Areas open for comment include: the application process, format of applications, questions/scoring etc.

Last year's applications are available to review from a link on our homepage www.lhtac.org.

Comments must be submitted to lhtac@lhtac.org by April 6, 2015. Please use LHTAC APPLICATION COMMENTS in the subject field of the email.

Prior to new applications coming out in fall of 2015, the LHTAC Council will review and take into consideration the comments received. Changes to applications will be approved at the September Council meeting and will appear in the final release of applications in fall of 2015.

Your feedback is important to us. Thank you for taking the time to comment.

WWW.LHTAC.ORG/TRAINING/SAFETY-FEST

Safety Fest FREE Training!

TWIN FALLS, ID
Dates: March 24-26, 2015
Location:
Southern Idaho College
Fine Arts Building
315 Falls Ave.
Twin Falls, ID

EASTERN IDAHO
Dates: April 7-9, 2015
Location:
Red Lion Hotel
Conference Center
1555 Pocatello Creek
Road
Pocatello, ID



Road Scholar Graduates



John Hollis and Tony Butman
Washington County Road and Bridge



Craig Cardwell
(Pictured with Kevin Kuther, LHTAC Safety Engineer)
City of Nezperce



Kevan Hafer, John Balling, Rob Wright and Jed Kloer (Not pictured Don Varney)
City of Kimberly

T2 Center Spring Courses

An email confirmation will be sent stating whether or not you are confirmed for the course. If you are not confirmed, you will be placed on a waiting list and someone will notify you if an opening is available. If you have questions, contact the LHTAC T2 Center 208-344-0565 or idahot2@lhtac.org.

South Central Idaho

Date	Class	City	Program
3/26/2015	Small Structure Inspection & Maintenance	Twin Falls	Elective
4/1/2015	ADA Compliance	Twin Falls	Elective
4/7/2015	Plantmix Paving Workmanship	Twin Falls	Elective
4/21/2015	Roadway Materials	Twin Falls	Road Scholar
4/22/2015	Gravel Road Maintenance and Design	Twin Falls	Elective
4/29/2015	ATSSA Flagger Certification	Twin Falls	Road Scholar
5/12/2015	Supervising with Confidence	Twin Falls	Elective

Eastern Idaho

Date	Class	City	Program
3/26/2015	Pavement Maintenance I	American Falls	Road Scholar
3/24/2015	ATSSA Flagger Certification	Rigby	Road Scholar
3/25/2015	Retroreflectivity for Signs	Ammon	Elective
3/31/2015	Pavement Maintenance II	American Falls	Road Master
4/14/2015	Effective Communication Skills	St. Anthony	Road Scholar
4/14/2015	Roadway Materials	Salmon	Road Scholar
4/15/2015	Gravel Road Maintenance and Design	Salmon	Elective
4/15/2015	Supervising with Confidence	Ammon	Elective
4/16/2015	CLASS FULL: Effective Communication Skills	American Falls	Road Scholar
4/16/2015	CLASS FULL: Roadway Materials	St. Anthony	Road Scholar
4/23/2015	Gravel Road Maintenance and Design	Ammon	Elective
4/28/2015	Plantmix Paving Workmanship	American Falls	Elective
4/29/2015	Local Systemic Safety, Data Analysis, and Solu-	Ammon	Elective
5/12/2015	ADA Compliance	Ammon	Elective
5/13-14/2015	CLASS FULL: Speed Limits & Speed Zones	American Falls	Road Master

T2 Center Spring Courses

How to Register

Go to the LHTAC T2 Center website, www.lhtac.org, and log in with your user name and password. If you do not have a user name and password, click on the link "request login" at the bottom of the page.

Northern Idaho

Date	Class	City	Program
3/31/2015	CLASS FULL: Winter Maintenance	Coeur d Alene	Elective
4/2/2015	Pavement Maintenance I	Coeur d Alene	Road Scholar
4/7/2015	Gravel Road Maintenance and Design	Lewiston	Elective
4/8/2015	Roadway Materials	Lewiston	Road Scholar
4/9/2015	Gravel Road Maintenance and Design	Coeur d Alene	Elective
4/14-15/2015	Speed Limits & Speed Zones	Lewiston	Road Master
4/16/2015	CLASS FULL: Basic Math	Coeur d Alene	Road Scholar
4/21/2015	CLASS FULL: Roadway Drainage	Sagle	Road Master
4/22/2015	CLASS FULL: Basic Survey	Coeur d Alene	Elective
4/23/2015	Small Structure Inspection & Maintenance	Lewiston	Elective
4/27/2015	Local Systemic Safety, Data Analysis, and Solutions	Coeur d Alene	Elective
5/5/2015	Asphalt Paving Materials	Coeur d Alene	Elective
5/6/2015	ADA Compliance	Coeur d Alene	Elective
5/7/2015	ATSSA Traffic Control Technician	Lewiston	Road Master

Western Idaho

Date	Class	City	Program
3/23/2015	CLASS FULL: ATSSA Flagger Certification	Emmett	Road Scholar
3/24/2015	CLASS FULL: Basic Math	Boise	Road Scholar
3/25/2015	CLASS FULL: Basic Survey	Boise	Elective
4/2/2015	ADA Compliance	Boise	Elective
4/9/2015	Roadway Materials	Preston	Road Scholar
4/14/2015	Retroreflectivity for Signs	Boise	Elective
4/15/2015	CLASS FULL: Pavement Maintenance I	Boise	Road Scholar
4/16/2015	Pavement Maintenance II	Boise	Road Master
4/20/2015	CLASS FULL: Gravel Road Maintenance and De-	Boise	Elective
4/30/2015	Local Systemic Safety, Data Analysis, and Solu-	Boise	Elective
5/14/2015	CLASS FULL: Communication Skills	Boise	Road Scholar
5/18-19/2015	CLASS FULL: Environmental BMPs	Boise	Road Master

Road Scholar Graduates



Clair Manwill, Robert Martin and Nate Martin
(Pictured with County Commissioners)
Bonnevill County Road and Bridge



Carl Griffith
(Pictured with Laila Kral, LHTAC T2 Manager)
City of Pierce

Names listed left to right

Road Scholar Graduates



Eddie Kyle, Tammie Hauger, and Brian Lueder
Ada County Highway District

Tammie is the first female ACHD employee to complete the Road Scholar Program.

Road Master Graduates



Ty Justesen and Travis Brewer
Filer Highway District



Arlen Wilkins
Washington County



Josh Weaver
Filer Highway District



Kenneth Ray & Wes Packer
(Pictured with County Commissioners)
Bonneville County



Rob Wright
City of Kimberly