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The City of Sandpoint was presented their Innovation Idea Award at the AIC Annual Conference. Pictured: LHTAC Deputy Director—Laila Kral, City of Sandpoint Infrastructure and Development Services Manager—Amanda Wilson, and City of Sandpoint City Council President—Shannon Williamson.

## Do you have an inventory on local small bridges?



LHTAC is in the process of collecting data on local bridges and culverts 10-20 ft. in length. We're reaching out to Local Highway Jurisdictions (LHJs) and realize that some of this information we are searching for is included in transportation plans or other inventory documents created by partnering consultants. If you have information on a jurisdiction's small bridges please reach out to us so we can avoid duplication. We are sending an intern to collect data this summer. Our goal is to collect basic information on all 10-20 ft. local bridges by the year 2020 for all 288 LHJs across Idaho.

Thank you for working together with us on this.

Questions can be directed to Garrick Nelson or Susan Lasuen at 208-344-0565.

## Innovation Idea Award

On behalf of the selection committee for the Innovation Idea Award, congratulations to all our 2019 Winners!

It was our pleasure to see so many outstanding nominations from local highway jurisdictions around the state. The nominations we received illustrated how hard the transportation community is continuously striving to develop both time and cost saving efficiencies.



The City of Moscow was presented their Innovation Idea Award at the AIC Annual Conference. Pictured LHTAC Deputy Director—Laila Kral, City of Moscow Mayor—Bill Lambert, and City of Moscow Public Works Deputy Director of Operations—Tyler Palmer.

## 2019 Innovation Idea Award Winners

### Agency

Jefferson County Road and Bridge – Mobile Repeater  
City of Moscow – Chemical Free Weed Control Alternative  
City of Sandpoint – Design for Change School Gates

### Individual

Melvin Lanier and Andy Andrews: Custer County Road and Bridge – Fabric Roller

### Spotlight Award

Bonner County Road and Bridge – Locally Funded Improvements

### Agency Partner

GeoProfessional Innovation Corporation (GPI) – Almon Street & Ground Penetrating Radar

These submissions, along with the runner ups, are highlighted on our website. You can find past submissions on our website under the News tab- within the Innovation Idea Award category.

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## Calendar of Events

Date	Event	Location
September 12	LHTAC Bus Tour	Sandpoint, ID
September 13	LHTAC Quarterly Council Meeting	Sandpoint, ID
October	LHTAC Workshops	Various Locations Around Idaho
November 11	Veteran's Day	LHTAC Office Closed
November 20-22	Local Transportation Convention (IAHD & IACERS)	Boise, ID
November 28-29	Thanksgiving Holiday	LHTAC Office Closed
December 3	LRHIP Application Due	LHTAC 3330 Grace St Boise, ID 83703
December 13	LHTAC Quarterly Council Meeting	LHTAC 3330 Grace St Boise, ID 83703



### Child Passenger Safety Week

September 15-21, 2019

### National Seat Check Saturday September 21, 2019

<https://www.nhtsa.gov/campaign/right-seat>

[www.lhtac.org](http://www.lhtac.org)

## Welcome LHTAC's Newest Employees

### Scott Wood

As a Bridge Inspection Professional Engineer, with over 19 years of experience as a transportation project manager and bridge engineer, we are excited for him to join the LHTAC Federal-aid team.



### Tawnya Converse

Our new Federal-aid Administrative Assistant comes to us with years of extensive accounting, budgeting, and auditing experience and enjoys interacting with the public.

## Roundabouts Week



National Roundabouts Week is a Federal Highway Administration-led campaign focused on making "safe roads for a safer future."

National Roundabouts Week  
September 16-20, 2019

**Did you know?**  
Modern roundabouts dramatically reduce severe crashes – that's why they are a Safer Choice

**Safety Fact:**  
Because modern roundabouts reduce severe crashes by approximately 80% they are a Proven Safety Countermeasure

For more information visit  
<https://safety.fhwa.dot.gov/nrw/>

## T2 Center Fall Classes

The LHTAC T2 Center offers a variety of courses aimed to grow and aid our local road professionals. The upcoming class schedule has been released. We encourage registering early to ensure your spot and to prevent any course cancellations.

Fall Classes—Registration Opens in Phases

- Northern Idaho – Registration Opens September 10
- Western & S. Central Idaho – Registration Opens September 11
- Eastern Idaho – Registration Opens September 12

### How to Register

Go to <http://t2.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. We recommend you do this prior to registration opening.

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](mailto:idahot2@lhtac.org).

## Math Basics for Maintenance Technicians (Online)

This course presents math instruction for maintenance technicians in context. Instead of solving abstract math problems, participants will immerse themselves in typical maintenance technician roles and learn how to approach math problems as they would in the real world.

The self-paced course is part of the Math Basics for Highway Technicians series, which offers participants with a wide range of situations requiring everything from basic arithmetic calculations to using complex formulas. It is offered by AASHTO via the TC3 course management system. Students are required to complete the course within one year of their registration.

### Registration

To access for free, go to the course web page and register with your agency email address, then use promotion code:  
**D5X3-B3D9-52CB-4XCX.**

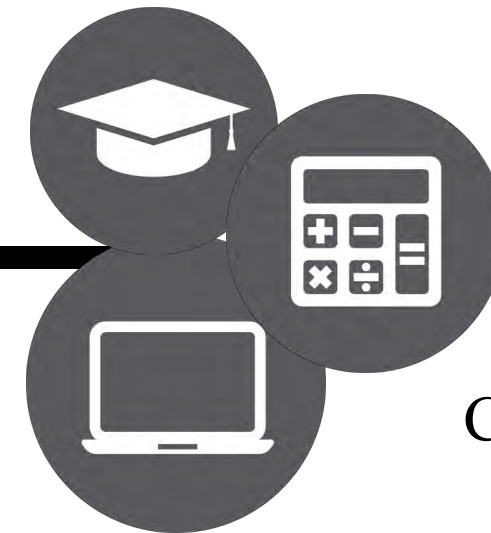
### Accessing the Course

Upon completing your online registration, you will receive an email confirmation of your registration. To access the course, please visit the AASHTO Store website and login with your account email and password. Once you have been enrolled, your course will appear on your account under My Trainings.

### T2 Credit

After completing the course, you must submit a copy of your completion certificate to the LHTAC T2 Center if you would like to receive credit towards the Road Scholar Program. LHTAC is unable to access the TC3 information so it is up to you, the student, to provide proof of completion.

If for any reason you do not



## Let's Talk Innovation Conversations That Launch Change!

[https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/clas/training\\_tools/webinars.aspx](https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/clas/training_tools/webinars.aspx)

The Center for Local-aid Support (CLAS) team is the conduit for connecting Local agencies, Tribes and Federal Land Management Agencies to innovative market-ready deployment opportunities that can be used on our nation's highways to save lives, project delivery time, and save money. Email [CLAS@dot.gov](mailto:CLAS@dot.gov) with questions or comments on these webinars.

### Upcoming Webinars

**Asset Data Management - Using Collected Data (Part 2)**  
September 19, 2019  
1:00 pm - 2:30 pm EST

**2019 Build a Better Mousetrap Winners**  
October 3, 2019  
1:00 pm - 2:30 pm EST

**Crowdsourcing for Local Operations**  
October 17, 2019  
1:00 pm - 2:30 pm EST

**Bridge Rehabilitation Activities**  
October 31, 2019  
1:00 pm - 2:30 pm EST

**The Connected Job Site**  
November 14, 2019  
1:00 pm - 2:30 pm EST

**Reducing Rural Road Departures**  
December 12, 2019  
1:00 pm - 2:30 pm EST

# Workshop Schedule

## LHTAC Fall Workshops

Wednesday, October 2  
8 to 11 a.m.  
ITD D5 Office Large Conference Room  
5151 S. 5th Ave  
**Pocatello, ID 83201**

Wednesday, October 2  
2 to 5 p.m.  
City Hall Chambers  
420 North Bridge Street  
**St Anthony, ID 83445**  
*\*ECHO Mtg. 1 to 2 p.m.*

Thursday, October 3  
11 a.m. to 2 p.m. – Lunch provided  
Oneida Road and Bridge  
560 S. Main St.  
**Malad, ID 83252**  
*\*5 County Mtg. 8:30 to 10:30 a.m.*

*At the Malad and Orofino locations lunch will be provided. Please RSVP so we can plan refreshments and seating accordingly. Although a RSVP is appreciated, it is not required to attend.*

Tuesday, October 8  
8 to 11 a.m.  
Ponderay Event Center  
401 Bonner Mall Way- Suite E (2nd Floor)  
**Ponderay, ID 83864**

Tuesday, October 8  
2 to 5 p.m.  
Marimn Health and Wellness Center  
Conference Room A and B  
1100 A Street  
**Plummer, ID 83851**

Wednesday, October 9  
12:30 to 3:30 p.m. – Lunch Provided  
Fiesta En Jalisco  
207 Johnson Ave  
**Orofino, ID 83544**  
*\*Clearwater County Mtg. 10 a.m. to noon*

Thursday, October 10  
9 a.m. to noon  
Seven Devils Café  
116 Illinois Ave  
**Council, ID 83612**  
*\*PAWG Mtg. 2 to 3 p.m.*



Wednesday, October 16  
9 a.m. to noon  
Nampa Public Library  
215 12th Ave S.  
**Nampa, ID 83651**

Thursday, October 17  
8 to 11 a.m.  
Oxbow Café  
199 Old U.S. 30  
**Bliss, ID 83314**  
*\*Northside Mtg. 7 to 8 a.m.*

Thursday, October 17  
2 to 5 p.m.  
Blaine County  
206 1st Ave. South Suite 300  
**Hailey, ID 83333**

*\*These workshops will coincide with regional transportation meetings being held at the same location either immediately before or after the LHTAC workshop.*



# Local Funding Opportunities.

## Application Season is Here!



The Local Highway Technical Assistance Council (LHTAC) manages a variety of funding programs to assist Local Highway Jurisdictions in utilizing available resources for maintenance and construction of Idaho's Local Highway System. Applications will be posted online this month and available to download at [www.lhtac.org](http://www.lhtac.org). Below you will find upcoming application deadlines.

Hand Deliver Deadline	Postmark Deadline	Program
December 3, 2019	December 2, 2019	Local Rural Highway Investment Program (LRHIP)
January 6, 2020	January 2, 2020	Federal-aid Bridge
January 6, 2020	January 2, 2020	Federal-aid Rural
January 6, 2020	January 2, 2020	Federal-aid Urban Transportation Plan
January 16, 2018	Electronic Application	Local Highway Safety Improvement Program (LHSIP)

**Learn more about these applications at our workshops (see p. 5)**

## \$22M available through November 12 in Rural Transit Funds

More than **\$22.3M** in funding is available **through Nov. 12** from the Idaho Transportation Department's Public Transportation (ITD-PT) office for rural transit service providers in Idaho.

Local government authorities, public agencies or private nonprofit organizations, and operators of public transportation that receive funding indirectly through an eligible recipient are eligible to apply.

Every two years, ITD-PT makes funding available for operating and capital projects to support rural public transportation needs and services. In a largely rural state, there are public transportation services in 43 of the 44 counties.

"Congressional Appropriation Applications," along with additional application details.

Funds are made available through four funding sources: Federal Transit Administration (FTA) 5310 Rural Enhanced Mobility for Elderly and Disabled Grant Program, FTA 5311 Rural Formula Grant Program, FTA 5339 Bus and Bus facilities Grant Program, and the Vehicle Investment Program (VIP). Each grant program has its own set of requirements and details can be located within each individual application on the website.

Those with questions about the application, or for more information about the funding, please contact ITD Rural Grants Officer Rachel Pallister at (208) 334-8822 or [Rachel.Pallister@itd.idaho.gov](mailto:Rachel.Pallister@itd.idaho.gov)

Apply for funds <https://itd.idaho.gov/pt/>

Under "Applications" tab and then "Congressional Appropriation Applications" link.

### Topics Covered:

Funding Programs, Eligibility, Applications  
Federal-aid: Urban, Rural, Bridge  
Local Highway Safety Improvement Program  
Local Rural Highway Investment Program  
Transportation Alternatives Program  
129,000 lb. Trucking

T2 Training Program  
Classes Offered  
Road Scholar & Master Program  
New Leadership Program

Technical Assistance  
Retroreflectivity Kits  
Automated Traffic Recorders  
Bridge Inventory, Preservation, & Maintenance  
Designating Truck Routes

These **FREE** workshops are open to everyone: sponsors, clerks, consultants, local elected officials etc.

More information can be found on our homepage. [www.LHTAC.org](http://www.LHTAC.org)

# Road Scholar and Master Graduates



**Ada County Highway District Road Masters**  
 Gabe Alvarez  
 Steve Gravon  
 Robert Henry II  
 Todd Tegnell  
 Mike Claus  
 Ryan Lindstrom  
 Not Pictured:  
 Dan Spady, Robert Hahn, and Scott Sommer

*Pictured with Commissioner Hansen, Commissioner May, Commissioner Goldthorpe, Commissioner Arnold, and Commissioner Baker*



**Ada County Highway District Road Scholars**  
 Nic Hardy  
 Tim Allen  
 Alex Cunningham (kneeling)  
 Scott Richardson  
 JR Grasmick  
 Nate Rodriguez (kneeling)  
 Ryan Vaughn  
 Eric Lopez  
 Jeremiah Oller

*Pictured with Commissioner Hansen, Commissioner May, Commissioner Goldthorpe, Commissioner Arnold, and Commissioner Baker*

## Power County Highway District Road Scholars

- Stetson Smith
- Ben Fehringer
- Josh Spanton
- Lucas McHargue
- Nick Annen
- Cody Hubbard
- Howard Claassen

*Pictured with LHTAC's Local Liaison Lan Smith*



## Oneida County Road Masters

- Josh Finder
- Rex Williams
- Brad Williams
- Nick Gugelman

*Pictured with Commissioner Christophersen, Commissioner Stokes and Commissioner Lewis*



**City of Lewiston Road Scholar & Master**  
 Pat Wilson



**Weiser Valley Highway District Road Scholar & Master**  
 David Stiff

## City of Caldwell Road Scholar

August Medellin

*Pictured with LHTAC Federal-aid Engineer Wayne Herbel, Mayor Nancolas, Council Member Ozuna, Council Member Stadick, Council Member Allgood, Council Member Hopper, Council Member Callsen, and Council Member Pollard*



## Washington County Road Scholars

Travis Walker, Jacob Stewart, and Richard Scott



## Washington County Road Master

Charles Marvin

## Local Highway Technical Assistance Council 25th Anniversary

The Local Highway Technical Assistance Council connects Local Highway Jurisdictions in Idaho with available resources for maintenance and construction of Idaho's Local Highway System in the most efficient and effective manner possible.

It is our mission to advocate, support, and train. We work hard to always represent our Local Highway Jurisdictions' best interests; while delivering the highest quality assistance and providing information and educational courses to every Local Highway Jurisdiction in Idaho.

*Serving Locals Since 1994*

