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## PacTrans University Transportation Center of Federal Region 10



## OCTOBER 2021 NEWSLETTER

### *HIGHLIGHTS*

#### **Dr. Anne Goodchild receives ITE Innovation Award**



Dr. Anne Goodchild, PacTrans PI and Professor of Civil and Environmental Engineering at the University of Washington, was recently awarded the Transportation Education Council Innovation in Education Award by the Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE).

Dr. Anne Goodchild leads the University of Washington's academic and research efforts in the area of supply chain, logistics, and freight transportation.

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## **PacTrans Partner OSU'S ITE Student Chapter receives ITE's 2021 Student Chapter of the Year**



PacTrans partner Oregon State University's ITE Student Chapter receives ITE's 2021 Student Chapter of the Year. In addition, OSU ITE'S 2020 President Amy Wyman was also awarded the Western District Outstanding Student Award for her exceptional dedication to the transportation profession through ITE service, research, mentoring, or real-world experiences.

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## **WHERE ARE THEY NOW: A Look Back at Past Michael Kyte Award Winners**

**2016 Masoud Ghodrat Abadi**



**Masoud Ghodrat Abadi received the Michael Kyte Region 10 Outstanding Student of the Year Award in 2016. Currently located in Roseville, California, Masoud is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Civil Engineering at California State University, Sacramento (CSUS).**

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**2014 Jennifer Warner**



Jennifer Warner received the Michael Kyte Region 10 Outstanding Student of the Year Award in 2014. Currently located in Hershey, Pennsylvania, Jennifer is a Civil Engineer (Traffic) at Michael Baker International.

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**2012 Kristina Currans**



Kristina Currans received the Michael Kyte Region 10 Outstanding Student of the Year Award in 2012. Currently located in Tucson, Arizona, Kristina is an Assistant Professor of Urban Planning at the University of Arizona.

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## ***RECENTLY COMPLETED RESEARCH***

PacTrans researchers from our consortium member institutions have recently completed the following projects in the four mobility sub topics of: accessibility, reliability, efficiency, and safety. To learn more about each specific project, please click on the title to access the research profile page on our PacTrans Website.



Somayeh Nassiri (WSU), "[Smart and Environmentally Friendly Winter Maintenance Solutions for Safe Winter Mobility](#)" | 2018-S-WSU-3

Svetlana Stuefer (UAF), Elizabeth Richards (UAF), "[River Ice Measurements for Transportation Safety in Rural Communities](#)" | 2019-S-UAF-2

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## ***UPCOMING EVENTS***



# REGION 10 TRANSPORTATION CONFERENCE 2021



**Amanda Joy Pietz**  
Administrator, Policy,  
Data and Analysis  
Division, Oregon  
Department of  
Transportation  
Keynote Address



**Nikotris Perkins**  
Assistant Director of  
Social Equity for the  
Oregon Department of  
Transportation  
Opening Session



**Earl Key**  
Director of the Office  
of Equal Opportunity,  
Washington State  
Department of  
Transportation  
Opening Session



**Ester Ceja**  
DBE Program  
Coordinator in  
the Office of Civil  
Rights at the Idaho  
Transportation  
Department  
Opening Session

## ENVISIONING POST-PANDEMIC TRANSPORTATION MOBILITY AND SAFETY

The annual Region 10 Transportation Conference brings together industry, agency, and academic partners from the Pacific Northwest to discuss emerging research needs, showcase innovations in research and technology, provide a means for collaboration, and advance the transportation workforce. The 2021 virtual conference will be held online through a series of webinars. The opening session will feature a keynote address from Amanda Joy Pietz, Administrator, Policy, Data and Analysis Division, Oregon Department of Transportation, and a panel discussion on social equity in transportation.

OPENING SESSION  
OCT 15, 2021 | 9:30AM - 12PM  
DAILY WEBINARS  
OCT 18 - 21, 2021 - 11AM - 12:15PM

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INFORMATION ABOUT CONFERENCE  
ACTIVITIES, VISIT:

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The Pacific Northwest Transportation Consortium (PacTrans) is the Region 10 University Transportation Center (UTC) established in January 2012 with funding from the US Department of Transportation (USDOT).

PacTrans is a combined effort of transportation professionals and educators from the University of Washington (UW), Oregon State University (OSU), the University of Alaska Fairbanks (UAF), the University of Idaho (UI), Washington State University (WSU), Boise State University (BSU), and Gonzaga University (GU). With two active centers focusing on both Safety and Mobility, PacTrans serves as an engine and showcase for research, education, and workforce development in the Pacific Northwest.

The goal of PacTrans is to create an environment where consortium universities and transportation agencies within Region 10 work together synergistically. The PacTrans program focuses on the USDOT-identified priority of Improving the Mobility of People and Goods. This priority includes the following nonexclusive topic areas:

- Increase access to opportunities that promote equity in connecting regions and communities, including urban and rural communities;
- Smart cities;
- Innovations to improve multimodal connections, system integration, and security;
- Assistive technologies for those with physical or cognitive disabilities;
- Data modeling and analytical tools to optimize passenger and freight movements;
- Innovations in multi-modal planning and modeling for high growth regions;
- Novel (non-traditional or alternative) modes of transport and shared use of infrastructure; and
- Regional planning and setting of transportation priorities.

The Pacific Northwest offers a unique blend of opportunities to examine a variety of transportation issues, including those related to urban centers, rural communities, diverse geographic features (e.g., coastal plains, mountain ranges), and a growing population of pedestrians and bicyclists. This diversity makes the Pacific Northwest a natural laboratory in which to investigate transportation solutions that are applicable both locally and nationally.

PacTrans is dedicated to collaborating with transportation agencies, companies, and research institutions to jointly develop safe and sustain-able solutions for the diverse transportation needs of the Pacific Northwest.



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