

March Presentation:

MANAGING AND MONITORING TRAFFIC

Speakers:

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Juan Navarro, Assistant Engineer for the City of Garden Grove

Moderated by:

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Speaker Bio:



Mr. Juan Navarro graduated with a B.S. in Civil Engineering from Cal State Fullerton. He is an Assistant Engineer at the City of Garden Grove and has over 5 years of experience in the traffic, ITS and transportation industry. He joined the City in 2017 and since then has been focusing on the design and management of multiple Traffic signals, ITS, signal communications, and signing and striping projects. In addition, Juan provides plan check reviews for development projects and traffic control plans in the City. His most recent projects include the Brookhurst St. TSSP, Magnolia St. TSSP, Garden Grove Blvd

TSSP, new signal installation at the intersection of Trask Ave and Roxey Ave and signal modification at Trask Ave and Newland St.

In addition, Juan is a Traffic Management Center Event Operator for the City of Anaheim since 2015. Prior to working at the City of Garden Grove, Juan worked in the private sector for couple of firms where he was heavily involved in the I-405 project's signal designs and where he developed and completed work that was relative to traffic engineering at highway-rail grade crossings.

OCTEC and ITS-CA Southern Section Joint Meeting:

March 25, 2021
11:30 AM to 1:00 PM
Virtual Meeting

Fees:

Member - FREE
Registration Ends 3/24 @ 5 pm

Please register via [Eventbrite](https://www.eventbrite.com)

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NATIONAL, REGIONAL & LOCAL NEWS

FHWA Awards \$18.7 Million to Eight Projects to Explore New Highway Funding Methods

WASHINGTON — The U.S. Department of Transportation's Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) today awarded \$18.7 million in "Surface Transportation System Funding Alternatives" (STSFA) grants to eight projects, led by six state Departments of Transportation and two transportation coalitions, to test new user-based funding methods for highways and bridges. The program helps states explore innovative new ways to provide long-term support for the Highway Trust Fund.

"The pilot projects under the STSFA program allow states to learn more about potential new user fees structures that can complement traditional funding sources that states rely on to build and improve the nation's highway and bridge infrastructure," said Acting Federal Highway Administrator Stephanie Pollock.

Since its creation in 2016, the STSFA grant program has provided \$73.7 million to 37 projects in states across the nation. [\[Continue here\]](#)

U.S. transport chief to testify on Biden infrastructure push

WASHINGTON (Reuters) — U.S. Transportation Secretary Pete Buttigieg will testify March 25 before a key U.S. House panel on the Biden administration's infrastructure push.

House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee chairman Peter DeFazio said Buttigieg will testify as lawmakers are working on a "transformational surface transportation reauthorization legislation".

As a candidate, President Joe Biden pledged to invest \$2 trillion in fixing highways, bridges and airports; building climate-resilient homes; wiring cities for broadband internet; encouraging the manufacturing of fuel-efficient cars and installing 500,000 electric vehicle charging stations.

Biden has not offered a specific plan for what he plans to seek from Congress — and it is not clear if he will make a proposal before the hearing. [\[Continue here\]](#)

Metro: Oscar Ceremony At Union Station Won't Disrupt Transit Service

Los Angeles' historic Union Station — which has shown up in its share of motion pictures — will play host to part of this year's Oscar ceremony, but Metro officials said Monday the event will not disrupt transit service on April 25. "Union Station will remain open to transit riders throughout the awards events and riders will be able to access all bus, rail, Metrolink, Amtrak and private transportation providers, along with vendors," according to a statement from Metro. "Alternative waiting accommodations for Metrolink and Amtrak riders will be provided. Signs throughout Union Station will help visitors navigate to transportation and parking options. During closures, customers will be able to access transit services through Union Station East."

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Caltrans to Begin Initial Work At Site of Ferguson Project in the Merced River Canyon on Highway 140 in Mariposa County

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) is preparing to perform work at the site of the Ferguson Rock Shed project on Route 140 in Mariposa County.

In the first phase of an ambitious rock shed construction project, workers will remove overhanging boulders and rubble from the slope where a rock slide blocked the roadway. Crews are scheduled to conduct this work during daytime hours beginning in April and continuing into the winter season of 2021.

Traffic impacts are expected to be minimal.

The Ferguson Rock Shed Project is an engineering marvel that will ensure motorists have safe access to Yosemite National Park via Route 140. Construction of the rock shed is scheduled to begin the summer of 2022. [\(Continue here\)](#)

Two Lanes of South Coast Highway in Laguna Beach to be Shut Down For 8 Weeks

The work to be completed by Caltrans will result in the lane closures, 24 hours a day, for approximately eight weeks, according to a Laguna Beach city staff report. Caltrans will replace the deteriorated portion of the channel under the highway, just south of Broadway. [\(Continue here\)](#)

OCTEC NEWS



OCTEC will be having the Annual Golf Tournament on May 7, 2021 at Tijeras Creek Golf Club in Rancho Santa Margarita.

Proceeds go to ITE Student Chapters at surrounding colleges and universities in SoCal.

Please register [here](#).

Please contact Ron Keith (ronkeith3939@att.net) - OCTEC Golf Co-Chair for more information.

Thank you for your support and we look forward to seeing you there!

JOB ANNOUNCEMENTS

KOA Corporation - Senior Engineer, San Diego, CA

[KOA Corporation](#) is looking for a talented and ambitious Senior Engineer for our San Diego office.

The essential duties of the candidate are:

- Lead a group of energetic engineers and manage various projects
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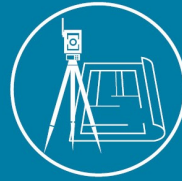
Bachelor's Degree in Civil Engineering, Transportation, or similar field, PE Required, 7+ yrs of experience, working knowledge of industry practices and regulations and strong written and verbal communication skills.

To learn more, please click [here](#).

Please contact [Archie Tan](#) or any Board member if you have any job listings that you would like posted to the OCTEC website or included in the next month's OCTEC newsletter.



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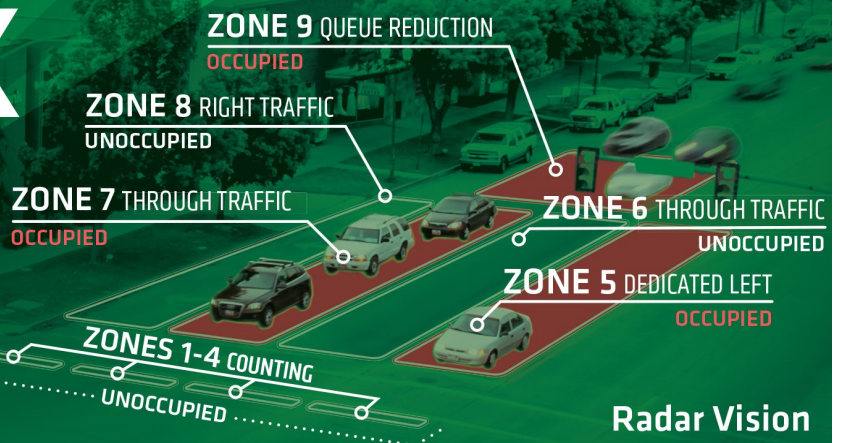
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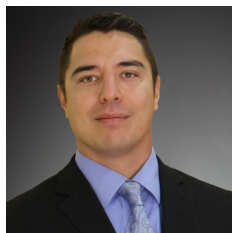
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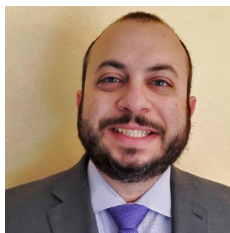
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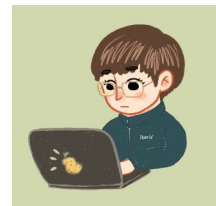
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