



2026 ITE Georgia Section Summer Seminar Technical Program
"Teamwork Makes the Dreamwork"

Session Category	Presenter	Company	Presentation Title	Moderator
Monday, July 20th Conference Opening & Plenary Sessions				
Opening Session (8:30 - 9:45)				
Conference Opening	Andrew Park	HNTB	Welcome	Andrew Park
	Aimee Turner	Croy	Technical Program	
	Bing Zhang	Kimley-Horn	President's Address	
	Andrew Heath	GDOT	Keynote Address	
Session # 1 (10:00-11:15)				
Transportation Milestones & Global Perspectives	Christina Barry	GDOT	30th Anniversary of the Atlanta Olympics & Birth of ITS in Georgia	Chris Gallien
	Jaap Tigelaar	Arcadis	ITE Technical Tour to the Netherlands: The Dutch Perspective on Multi Modal Transportation	
	Drew Raessler	Cobb County	MLB All-Star Weekend	
Session # 2 (11:30-12:45)				
Innovation & Emerging Technologies	Stephanie Williams Otto Clemente	GDOT	GDOT's Transportation Technology Blueprint	Joe Gillis
	Sam Baker Emily Wiseman	Henry County Kimley-Horn	Connected Vehicle Technology Deployment for Faster Emergency Response	
	Joe Gillis Prasoon Sinha Mojtaba Ale Alan Davis	Arcadis City of Roswell GDOT	Artificial Intelligence Forum	
Session # 3 (2:15-3:30)				
Agency Initiatives & Program Updates	Christina Barry Chris Gallien	GDOT HNTB	GDOT's Managed Lane Program - History and Lookahead	John Karnowski
	Brittany Giles	NV5	Data Centers and the Future of Georgia's DRI Program	
	Samia Makoi	MARTA	NextGen Bus Network Infrastructure Project	
Session # 4 (3:45-5:00)				
Transportation Safety in Practice	Luke Sanders	Kimley-Horn	Clearing the Tracks: Programmatic Safety Review at Signalized Railroad Crossings	Geoff Warr
	Kwaku Boakye	CDM Smith	Fix the Drive - I-95 Improvement Project	
	Israel Afriyie Kwadwo Amankwah-Nkyi Emmanuel Kofi Adanu	Parsons Jacobs University of Alabama	Safety-Aware Reinforcement Learning Model for Adaptive Traffic Signal Optimization in Work-Zone Environments	
Tuesday, July 21st Breakout Tracks & Technical Tour				
Session # 5A (8:30-9:45)				
Operations Management & Incident Response	Samuel Jones Scott Cullinane	City of Brookhaven Skydio	Second Matter: How DFR is Changing Incident Response	Tom Udell
	Rob Derry	CTDOT/Arcadis	The Power of Partnering Engineering, Enforcement and Education to Improve Traffic Safety Through Teamwork	
	Matt Pierce Evert Riekert	SR 400 Peach Partners	SR 400 Express Lanes	
Session # 5B (8:30-9:45)				
Data Analytics & Performance Measures	Dr. Xiaoming Yang	Georgia Southern University	Extraction of 3-D Roadway Geometry Information from Public Data	Zhang Huang
	Monica Sagastizada Habte Kassa	Arcadis GDOT	The Benefits of Acquiring Big Data in Bulk	
	Abhishek Rallapalli	HNTB	VISSIM Update – 2019 Toolbox	
Session # 6A (10:00-11:30)				
Roundabouts & Alternative Intersections	Katie Mills	Kimley-Horn	Failure to Yield at Multilane Roundabouts: FHWA Transportation Pooled Fund Study Phase II	Scott Zehngraft
	Mojtaba Ale	City of Roswell	When Design Overshoots: A Roundabout Story	
	Andrew Pearson	GDOT	The Operational Benefit of Roundabouts	
	Paul Slone	WSP	What Makes "Alternative Intersections" So Great?	
Session # 6B (10:00-11:30)				
Multimodal & Complete Streets	Michael Ruelle	Kimley-Horn	IndyGo Software Transit Signal Priority Deployment and Lessons Learned	Amy Diaz
	Nathaniel Quinn Cicala	GDOT	Using Video Analytics to Study the Timing and Design of Pedestrian Hybrid Beacons	
	Matt Dysko Danielle Kronowski	Kimley-Horn	Ferst Drive Realignment and Cycle Track	
	Nathaniel Quinn Cicala	GDOT	Designing VRU Accommodations at Interchanges	
Session # 7A (11:45-1:00)				
Traffic Operations & ITS	Alexander Estrada	GDOT	GDOT ITS Updates	Tyler Martin
	Landon Perry Jared Allen	GDOT Kimley-Horn	Closing the Loop: Post-Construction Analysis of Operational Improvement Projects	
	Paramveer Bolina Ben Lempke	Jacobs GDOT	GDOT Broadband Project Updates	
Session # 7B (11:45-1:00)				
Planning, Policy & Implementation	Habte Kassa Amber Phillips	GDOT	GDOT & FHWA IAJR Programmatic Agreement/NEPA Assignment Policy Revisions	Mohak Mantri
	Stephanie Williams Mahesh Atluri	GDOT HNTB	Design Traffic Forecasting Manual Updates	
	Nathan Boone	Toole Design	Idea to Infrastructure: Multidisciplinary Teamwork that Works	
Technical Tour (1:30 - 3:30)				
Technical Tour (Off-Site) Sign-Up Required	Leslie Thomas	Georgia Port Authority	GPA Colonel's Island Terminal Tour - Brunswick, GA	Aimee Turner
Wednesday, July 22nd Interactive Session & Conference Closing				
Session # 8 (8:00-10:00)				
Interactive Session	Victoria Guobaitis Mary Carolyn Martin Rob Whitesides	NV5 Kimley-Horn OneAtlas	Reading the Room: An Interactive Session on Communicating Effectively with the Public	Victoria Guobaitis
Conference Closing				