



Heartland ITS Pulse

Best of ITS Heartland Now Posted!

Members of ITS Heartland can now submit an application for an outstanding project, product, or service that is eligible to win a **2017 Best of ITS Heartland award**. The ITS projects should have specified goals and exemplify innovation and benefit to the ITS industry. Winners will receive an award, recognition at the 2017 ITS Heartland Annual Meeting in Wichita, and an article summarizing their accomplishment in the Annual Meeting Edition of the ITS Pulse newsletter. The **deadline** for applications is **March 3, 2017**.

Award categories include:

- Best ITS Project in the ITS Heartland Region
- Best ITS Product in the ITS Heartland Region
- President's ITS Service/Recognition Award

For more information regarding the awards or application procedures, please visit the [Best of ITS Heartland nomination page](#).

For any and ALL updates regarding the 2017 Annual Meeting in Wichita please see the link to the [Annual Meeting page](#)!!!!

ITS World Congress Successfully Wraps Up in Melbourne, Australia



The ITS World Congress 2016 was held earlier this month, and it is being hailed as a [successful convention](#). Over 11,400 people attended from 73 different countries. The World Congress website has [audio](#) for anyone looking to hear a recap of the event and the innovations that were on display.

USDOT Connected Vehicle Program Starts Next Phase



Three different locations will begin a 20 month period of deploying and testing new CV technology. The program will measure the efforts to increase freight safety along [I-80 in Wyoming](#), reducing vehicle and pedestrian congestion in [downtown](#)

Webinars

[National Performance Measures Research Data Set \(NPMRDS\)](#)

Tuesday, November 1, 2016 at 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM CT

The National Performance Management Research Data Set (NPMRDS) Quarterly Webinar Series continues on November 1, 2016. NPMRDS is the probe data that FHWA is using internally for passenger and freight analysis and making available to States and MPOs. At this webinar, FHWA and its contractors will provide an overview of the probe data set, demonstrate data applications, and respond to technical assistance questions.

[2017 Solar Eclipse: Preparing for August 21, 2017](#)

Thursday, November 3, 2016 at 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM CT

This webinar is for state and local authorities, event planners and those wanting to learn more about the upcoming solar eclipse. Understand what is known about the upcoming solar eclipse and how State and local agencies have begun to address a truly “rare” planned special event. Understand who your partners are for the event and how best to reach them to ensure that your state/locality have enough time to develop, test and implement plans. Understand how to take what you’ve learned as you prepare for the event and to make it available for those states who will witness the April 8, 2024 solar eclipse.

[Tampa](#), and coordinating city-owned vehicles with vehicle-to-vehicle technology in [New York City](#).

Two More Smart City Challenge Finalists Get USDOT Funding for ITS Programs

Two more smart city finalists, including winning city of Columbus, Ohio, have [received Federal Highway Administration grants](#) for intelligent transportation system projects. The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency received \$10.9 million, while the NW 33 Innovation Corridor Partnership got \$5.9 million for technology improvements in two cities near Columbus.



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