

Canadian Institute of Transportation Engineers



**Northern Alberta Section  
2017 Annual Report**

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

The Northern Alberta Section of the Canadian Institute of Transportation Engineers (NACITE) prepared a 2017 Annual Report for submission to the Canadian Institute of Transportation Engineers (CITE). The 2017 Annual Report identifies the Section's executive and membership, and provides a summary of the Section's activities from January 1 to December 31, 2017.

At the CITE Annual General Meeting during ITE Toronto 2017, NACITE proudly accepted the CITE Section Delta Award given to the Section that achieved overall improvement from past years with respect to Section activities. The NACITE Executive is truly appreciative for being recognized and thankful to all of our members and sponsors for their tremendous support!

## 2. SECTION ORGANIZATION

NACITE consists of three key components: the Executive Board; the members; and the sponsors.

### 2.1 Section Executive Board

Fall 2017 marked the start of the term for a new Executive Board. The new Executive represents a mix of past Executive Board members, some of whom that are serving in new roles, and members that are new to the Executive Board. The most significant change is that Erin Toop, who served as President for the past two years, stepped down to focus on co-chairing 2018 CITE Edmonton -- CITE's Annual Conference. During the past two years as president, Erin worked diligently to reconnect with the ITE student chapter at the University of Alberta and to broaden our relationship with industry.

The 2017-18 Executive Board, led by President Dallas Karhut, has worked to continue to build on the momentum gained from previous years by providing opportunities for our members to network and develop professionally. Our season of events will continue to primarily include monthly luncheons supplemented by additional events such as socials and technical tours.

The Executive Board typically meets every 1-2 months to discuss Board matters and organize events. The 2017-18 NACITE Executive Board includes:

<b>President</b>	<b>Dallas Karhut</b> , City of Edmonton
<b>Vice-President</b>	<b>Anthony Ng</b> , City of Edmonton
<b>Treasurer</b>	<b>Wayne Gong</b> , City of Edmonton
<b>Secretary</b>	<b>Dan Zeggelaar</b> , ISL Engineering
<b>Past President</b>	<b>Erin Toop</b> , City of Edmonton
<b>Member at Large</b>	<b>Xiaobin Wang</b> , City of Edmonton
<b>Member at Large</b>	<b>Zheng Luo</b> , IBI Group
<b>Member at Large</b>	<b>Alyssa Peters</b> , Bunt & Associates

Members at Large are an important part of the Executive and play an important role in organizing events. Many events would be impossible without the support provided by the Members at Large. In addition, Zheng Luo served as our liaison with the University of Alberta student chapter.

## 2.2 Section Membership

At the end of 2017, there were 120 voting ITE members plus 34 non-voting ITE members in the Northern Alberta Section. This represents an increase 35 paid members compared to 2016. Also, the NACITE mailing list had 234 subscribers as of the end of 2017, which represents an increase of 39 subscribers from that at the end of 2016 (195 subscribers).

The Executive Board dedicates one luncheon each season to a CITE presentation to further promote the benefits of ITE International membership to luncheon attendees from industry and from the University of Alberta.

## 2.3 Section Sponsors

Under the new sponsorship structure that started in the 2016-2017 season, two types of sponsorships are available to private and public partners: Platinum Sponsorships and Section Supporters. Both Platinum Sponsors and Section Supporters have their logos displayed on the nacite.org website and at NACITE events. Platinum Sponsors also have the opportunity to host one of the monthly luncheons organized by NACITE. As the luncheon host, the sponsor decides the content of the presentation in consultation with the NACITE Executive. Typically, somebody from the host organization presents on a topic that is relevant to their area of expertise.

In addition, the host sponsor is encouraged to use the event for marketing purposes and is allowed to set up displays, signs and/or provide giveaways to attendees. Section Sponsors have the opportunity to host non-luncheon events, such as evening socials or technical tours.

We were especially pleased to welcome six new Platinum Sponsors from both the public and private sector, demonstrating the broad support for NACITE in the transportation community. NACITE is proud to partner with the following Platinum and Section Sponsors:

PLATINUM SPONSORS



SECTION SPONSORS



### 3. SECTION ACTIVITY

#### 3.1 Monthly Luncheon Meetings

The Section hosts monthly luncheon meetings that provide educational and networking opportunities. The section hosted eight meetings at the University of Alberta’s Faculty Club in 2017. Our April luncheon was held jointly with the Alberta Professional Planners Institute (APPI), but as it was their turn to host the attendance figure has been omitted from this report.

Date	Topic	Speaker	Attendance
Feb 1	Completing Edmonton’s Ring Road from the Owner’s Engineer Perspective	Sandra Gaherty, ISL Engineering	73
Mar 1	Integrating Mobility & Smart Cities	Bruno Peters, IBI Group	84
Apr 11	Social and Economic Impacts of Investment in the Transportation Network in Alberta	Rokib SA and Jun Yang, Alberta Transportation	--
May 3	Willingness-to-Pay Survey and Modelling for High Occupancy Toll Lanes --- Case Study Highway 427, Toronto, Ontario	Ali Hadayeghi, CIMA+	56
Jun 14	Modern Roundabouts	Corry Broks, AI-Terra	103
Oct 4	Manchester LRT Expansion	Tamsin Silvester, WSP	61
Nov 1	Improving Mobility for All Users and ITE/CITE Update	Ryan Vanderputten, City of Calgary and Secretary-Treasurer of CITE	84
Dec 6	Pandora Avenue - Victoria’s First Protected Bike Lane	Nadine King, WATT Consulting Group	66

## 3.2 U of A ITE Student Chapter

In 2017, the Section enhanced the connection with the U of A ITE Student Chapter (ITEUA) and continued to partner with the ITEUA to organize events and activities.

### **2017 ITE U of A Student-Industry Mixer**

On March 7, 2017, ITEUA hosted the 2017 student-industry mixer, in collaboration with NACITE. In a break from previous years, several professionals from industry were invited to make short presentations to students highlighting their career journeys. Afterwards, students were able to interact with the nine organizations that had formally sponsored a table as well as over two dozen professionals. The sponsorship money from the mixer was used to fund the ITEUA traffic bowl team. The mixer also provided an opportunity to recruit mentors and mentees for the mentorship program.



### **Mentorship Program**

The mentorship program organised jointly by NACITE and ITEUA returned for a second year from March 2017 to June 2017. This year, 13 student mentees and 11 industry mentors participated in this program. Mentor and mentee pairs met at the start of the program to set goals and make plans specific to each pair, and continued to meet monthly. The goal of the mentorship program was to provide students with a better understanding of potential careers in the transportation industry and an informal source of advice on career development.

### **Traffic Bowl Tune-Up**

NACITE and ITEUA also jointly hosted a Traffic Bowl Trivia Night to help the University of Alberta's Traffic Bowl team prepare for the CITE conference in Toronto. The tune-up event attracted great interest from both students and industry professionals who created joint teams to compete against each other. Students had a chance to test their knowledge in the transportation field and socialize with industry professionals.



### 3.3 NACITE Technical Bike Tour

To celebrate the completion of Edmonton’s downtown bike network, NACITE hosted its first ever technical bike tour on June 6, 2017. The tour group included transportation professionals as well as members of the public with an interest in cycling. The tour started in the Quarters area of downtown and moved through the newly constructed downtown bike grid, the Legislature grounds, across the High Level Bridge, Whyte Avenue, the 83 Avenue bike corridor, and back towards downtown through Mill Creek Ravine. Brief talks were also held at several locations to give the participants addition insight into the design of bicycle facilities in Edmonton. Attendees capped off the evening with well-deserved food and drinks at Craft Beer Market.



### 3.4 CITE Section Delta Award

During the Joint ITE/CITE 2017 Annual Meeting and Exhibit in Toronto between July 30 to August 2, 2017, NACITE proudly accepted the CITE Section Delta Award given to the Section that achieved overall improvement from past years with respect to Section activities.



### 3.4 NACITE Year-End Social

On November 28, 2017, NACITE hosted a 2017 Year End Social at BRU Coffee + Beer House in Downtown Edmonton. The event provided our members an opportunity to reconnect with colleagues from industry and celebrate our successes from the past year over snacks and a holiday drink. Members of the CITE Edmonton 2018 Conference Committee also attended to share plans for the upcoming conference and ways in which our members can help out. Though it was cold outside, our guests created a warm and welcoming atmosphere inside that was enjoyed by all.



## 4. FINANCIAL REPORT

The following is a summary of NACITE's 2017 Statement of Accounts from January 1 to December 31.

<b>Balance of funds on hand at the beginning of the reporting period</b>		
Bank Account	\$7,364.69	
Paypal	\$630.72	
<i>Sub-Total</i>	<i>\$7,995.41</i>	<i>\$7,995.41</i>
<b>Income for the reporting period</b>		
Luncheons	\$17,705.00	
Year End Social	\$219.66	
Section Supporters <sup>1</sup>	\$2,750.00	
ITE International and District	\$0.00	
<i>Sub-Total</i>	<i>\$20,674.66</i>	<i>\$28,670.07</i>
<b>Expenditures for the reporting period</b>		
Postage/Mailbox/Office Supplies <sup>2</sup>	\$0.00	
Luncheons	\$17,138.39	
Year End Social	\$616.01	
Paypal Processing Fees	\$706.32	
Speaker Gifts <sup>2</sup>	\$0.00	
Executive Meetings <sup>2</sup>	\$0.00	
Bank Fees	\$2.50	
<i>Website</i>	<i>\$64.88</i>	
<i>Sub-Total</i>	<i>\$18,528.10</i>	<i>\$10,141.971</i>
<b>Net Income / Loss</b>		<b>\$2,146.56</b>
<b>Balance of funds on hand at the end of the reporting period</b>		
Bank Account	\$9,777.91	
Paypal	\$364.06	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$10,141.97</b>	<b>\$10,141.97</b>

<sup>1</sup> Section Supporter revenue for the 2017-2018 season is typically recognized in 2017, but due to delays in processing some revenue will not be recognized until 2018.

<sup>2</sup> Some expenditures were not recognized in 2017 as reimbursement cheques were not deposited until 2018.