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**Snohomish County Public Works Traffic Operations Manager Awarded  
2015 Outstanding Service Award**

Recognition Highlights Lifetime Achievement to Transportation and Traffic

**EVERETT, Wash., July 14, 2015** – As a leader in the transportation and traffic field, Snohomish County Public Works Traffic Operations Manager and County Traffic Engineer Jim Bloodgood was awarded the 2015 Outstanding Service Award by the Washington Section of The Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE). The recognition is considered the section’s highest achievement, and honors members who have made significant advances over a period of 20 years or more that have benefited the membership. ITE is a professional organization for transportation engineering and planning.

Jim was recognized for his active involvement with ITE for the past 35 years. Some of his contributions include holding various positions such as sitting on the Washington Section Executive Board from 2007 to 2011 where he was board president from 2009 to 2010. Jim has also participated in multiple committees including positions as Committee Chair for multiple groups. For the 2014 ITE International Annual Meeting held at the Seattle Convention Center, which hosted more than 2,000 individuals, he was the Local Arrangements Committee Co-chair.

"Jim is well deserving of this recognition with his more than two decades of service to Snohomish County and three decades of participation in the Northern California and Washington State Sections of ITE," said Steve Thomsen, Director of Public Works. "His leadership and contributions to the transportation and traffic field is undeniable to the county and his peers."

On the heels of this achievement, Jim will be speaking at the ITE Western District Annual Meeting in Las Vegas, Nevada on July 22, 2015 from 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. As part of the panel "8C: Special Event Management & High Capacity Manual (HCM) Update" Jim will discuss the planning and management of transportation for the SR 530 Landslide Remembrance Day. The conference will be held at Planet Hollywood Resort & Casino.

For additional information about the conference including the most up-to-date schedule, visit [www.lvite2015.com](http://www.lvite2015.com).

To learn more about Washington State ITE, visit [www.westernite.org/Sections/washington](http://www.westernite.org/Sections/washington).

### **About Snohomish County Public Works**

The Snohomish County Public Works Department employs approximately 600 staff members that develop and maintain county roads; control and manage surface water quantity, quality and fish habitats; and oversee the recycling and disposal of solid waste. The department's main office is located at 3000 Rockefeller Ave., Everett, WA 98201. For more information about Snohomish County Public Works, visit [www.snohomishcountywa.gov/PublicWorks](http://www.snohomishcountywa.gov/PublicWorks).