

November 2024



## November President's Column

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**ASCE Seattle Section President**

Hello Seattle Section,

It was great seeing many of you last October at the Seattle Section/COPRI Dinner meeting. A big thank you to COPRI Seattle Chapter for hosting such an amazing event!

The next Section Dinner Meeting will be on November 12, 2024 at Ivar's Salmon House. Matt Baughman with COWI will be presenting on the Totem Lake Connector which was recently awarded the 2024 Region 8 Large Project of the year (over \$10 Million). Registration information can be found in the next section.

If you have any ideas for events you would like to see, feel free to email me at [president@seattleasce.org](mailto:president@seattleasce.org).

Please check out our website to see the upcoming Section, Technical Institutes, and YMF Events we have coming up and we hope to see you at the Dinner meeting on November 12!

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**DECEMBER 2024 NEWSLETTER CONTENT DEADLINE:**  
**November 20, 2024**

## ASCE Seattle Section Dinner Meeting - November 12, 2024

### DINNER PRESENTATION COWI - TOTEM LAKE CONNECTOR PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE

TUESDAY, NOV 12 | 5:30PM - 8PM

IVAR'S SALMON HOUSE

401 NE NORTHLAKE WAY, SEATTLE, WA 98105



[Register Here](#)

#### ***Totem Lake Connector - Matt Baughman (COWI)***

The Totem Lake Connector (TLC) is a landmark bicycle and pedestrian bridge that spans the bustling Totem Lake Boulevard and NE 124th St in Kirkland, WA. The 1,100 ft. crossing carries the Cross Kirkland Corridor, providing a safe and visually striking route for non-vehicular traffic. The 795 ft long bridge structure has five undulating truss spans over the roads and another six spans forming the northern loop ramp over the wetlands. The bridge features cantilevered overlooks, a widened rest area with seating, and dramatic lighting. The project navigated numerous challenges, including a congested site, wetland, major utilities, and overhead power lines.

## Seattle Section Board - Open Positions

### 2024-2025 SEATTLE SECTION BOARD



We are still looking for the following positions  
-President-Elect

- Director of Technical Committees
- Director of Standing Committees

If you are interested in joining our team, and making an impact on the profession and community, please email me at [president@seattleasce.org](mailto:president@seattleasce.org).

## ASCE Legislative Fly-In - March 26-28, 2025

ASCE's annual government advocacy event where members from Seattle and the other states go to Washington, DC to advocate for the profession and the latest infrastructure policy to our local legislative leaders. Applications Are Due on **November 15, 2024**. Please note, you must be a Key Contact to apply.

Apply Here - <https://www.asce.org/advocacy/legislative-fly-in>

## ASCE North Branch Seeking Officers

The ASCE North Branch serves members of the Seattle Section who live and/or work in Whatcom, Skagit, San Juan, Island and Snohomish counties.

We are currently seeking officer candidates to help us build momentum around networking events, project tours and web presentations specific to our five-county region.

Open positions include:

- President Elect
- Vice President
- Treasurer - Elect
- Communications Chair
- Program Chair (find and schedule events and presentations)
- YMF Contact for North Branch

Time commitment is typically 2-3 hours/month at most.

If you are interested, please contact Jeff Colon, Acting President, at [ascenorthbranch@gmail.com](mailto:ascenorthbranch@gmail.com).

## Upcoming Committee Meetings

### Younger Member Forum (YMF)

Interested in networking events and opportunities with ASCE Seattle's Younger Members? Be sure to [subscribe to the YMF Newsletter here](#) to stay up to date.

### ASCE History & Heritage Committee

Our next ASCE History & Heritage Committee meetings are going to be: 10/26 at 8:30 am on Zoom and 11/23 at 8:30 am.

### Small Project Development Committee

The Small Project Development Committee meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month from noon to 1:00 pm. We have round table discussions and speakers. Our meetings tend towards stormwater. Email me if you would like to get on our email list. We send out topics usually the first week of every month. [LisaHarbert@outlook.com](mailto:LisaHarbert@outlook.com).

## K-12 Volunteer Interest Form

**Are you interested in volunteering for K-12 STEM events and interested in inspiring the next generation of engineers?**

If you answered **YES**, please fill out the google form to the right if you would like to be updated about future K-12 volunteer events in the Seattle Area. After you fill out this form, you will be notified of K-12 volunteer opportunities in the area. Please know that you are not required to sign up for any event by filling out this form.



[Google Form](#)

Please contact our K-12 Outreach Chair for any questions, comments or additional information.

## ASCE Seattle Job Board

[Click here to view open positions](#)

### City of Bothell Capital Project Engineer

**Posted 8/27/2024**

The City is looking for an effective, organized, and team oriented professional Capital Project Engineer to manage capital projects from design through construction and play a major role in the development of a thriving, diverse community. To read the full job description and review the minimum qualifications, click [here](#).

### City of Tacoma Water Principal Engineer

**Posted 10/30/2024**

Tacoma Water has an opportunity for a Principal Engineer to join our Planning & Engineering Division. We are looking for someone to utilize their experience and knowledge in engineering and project management to provide engineering judgement, analysis, and leadership skills to support the delivery of clean, reliable, and cost effective water to our customers. This position supervises a team of engineers, who lead water infrastructure projects located throughout Tacoma Water's service area and may manage larger multi-project programs such as the Pipeline 1 Pressurization Program.

### WSDOT ITS Operations Lead (TE5)

**Posted 10/30/2024**

Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) is currently seeking a licensed, professional engineering candidate for the Intelligent Transportation Systems Operations Lead (Transportation Engineer 5) to oversee the Northwest Region's Transportation Management Center (TMC). This role involves leading a world-class operations team comprised of diverse technical teams that perform freeway operations, tunnel systems, and Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS). The position requires advanced engineering expertise to ensure safe and efficient traffic flow and emergency response. Additionally, this role includes coordinating with local agencies in advancing technologies and procedures, acting as a subject matter expert, and having an active role for ITS and tunnels systems on design-build projects, including the various Connecting Washington projects, SR 520 Westside connection, SR 509 Gateway, and the I-405 Express Toll Lanes systems, and be a strong advocate for the workforce development activity to manage a \$0.5 million budget for the TMC/UW internship program, promoting a respectful, inclusive work environment. See link for more information, including details on how to apply: [LINK](#)

Advertise your current open positions to ASCE Seattle members today for only \$75 for the first month and \$50 for each subsequent month of the same content.

[Email communications@seattleasce.org](mailto:emailcommunications@seattleasce.org) to learn more.



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