

## Meeting Information

### Paper Topic and Format

- Paper must address an Intelligent Transportation System subject and be no more than fifteen double-spaced, typed pages with one-inch margins.
- A table of contents and complete bibliography (if appropriate) should be included.
- Title page must include: title of the paper, author's name, school, mailing address, phone number(s) and email address.
- The original manuscript plus one copy must be submitted in paper form as well as electronic format (disk or email) to the following address: ITS Rocky Mountain Chapter, c/o Meetings Northwest, LLC, P.O. Box 2083, Missoula, MT 59806, Attn: Student Paper Award.
- Papers for the upcoming award year (2010) must be received no later than February 1, 2010. (Winners will be notified by March 30, 2010).

### Evaluation Criteria

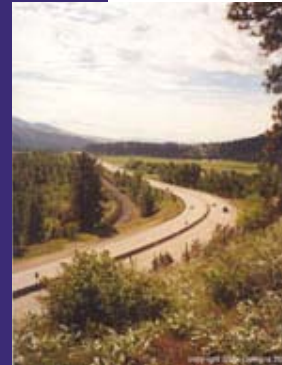
Papers will be judged on their quality of composition, originality, depth of knowledge, and awareness of ITS issues and challenges.

### 2010 Event

The 2010 event is pending. For additional information please go to [www.itsrm.org/events.htm](http://www.itsrm.org/events.htm) or phone (866) 633-8110.

## Student Outreach

**Welcome!** Serving the states of Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Utah and Wyoming, the Rocky Mountain Chapter of ITS America strives to provide a forum for broad representation and active participation between private companies, government agencies, academic institutions, other associations and members of the public. The Chapter operates exclusively as a nonprofit organization focused toward improving the surface transportation system throughout the member states via research, development, and application of intelligent transportation technologies.



**What does that mean to you?** As the largest geographical ITS America Chapter, ITS Rocky Mountain brings together many different organizations interested in intelligent transportation systems (ITS). Covering approximately 517,000 square miles, members are exposed to a vast array of information and technology difficult to find elsewhere. From rural ITS applications to advanced transit management systems, such exposure results in a type of one-stop shopping.

For students, this can be particularly beneficial. Need to research the operation of a TMC? Want to visit with an expert in road-weather information systems? ITS Rocky Mountain's professional members are ready and willing to assist as they work to improve safety, reduce congestion, enhance mobility, minimize environmental impacts, save energy, and promote economic productivity.



# Student Chapters

**Chapter's Mission.** The Chapter's mission is to "develop partners for the effective deployment of ITS across all surface transportation modes and to provide for a viable and sustainable system for the Rocky Mountain region that will benefit all users".

**How is that accomplished?** Through information sharing, peer networking, political outreach, research and education/training. These activities are facilitated by annual events hosted by ITS Rocky Mountain and by a website ([www.itsrm.org](http://www.itsrm.org)) and newsletter. While the Chapter list-serve helps keep members informed on a monthly basis, the highlight of the year is the Annual Meeting. Held in conjunction with either the biannual conference (even-numbered years) or biannual training/continuing education course (odd-numbered years), these events allow members to meet face-to-face and learn about cutting edge technologies.

**How do I get involved?** Full-time undergraduate or graduate students can become members\* of the Chapter for a \$25.00 annual fee. However, it is important to note that this fee is waived if the student is a member of an ITS Rocky Mountain Student Chapter.

## How do I join an ITS Rocky Mountain Student Chapter?

To locate a Student Chapter at your college or university email the Chapter at [studentinfo@itsrm.org](mailto:studentinfo@itsrm.org). If a Student Chapter does not currently exist at your school, you can start one. You will need at least 5 students, a set of bylaws stating that you are an ITS Rocky Mountain Student Chapter, and a faculty advisor. An annual fee of \$50.00 must also be submitted to the Chapter. For additional details, download Establishing a Student Chapter at [www.itsrm.org/studentinfo.htm](http://www.itsrm.org/studentinfo.htm).

\*Student members do not have voting rights.



# Paper Award and Scholarships

**Annual Award & Scholarship.** The ITS Rocky Mountain Chapter offers an annual Student Paper Award and Scholarship. The Award recipient will receive a \$500 travel award to be used to attend the Chapter's annual meeting and a \$500 scholarship. All winning essays will be published in the ITS Rocky Mountain Newsletter and on the Chapter website. Further details are below.

## Even-Numbered Years

- Receive transportation, hotel accommodations, complimentary registration and expenses (not to exceed \$500) to attend an ITS Rocky Mountain Training or Workshop.
- Receive an invitation to present the winning essay during the next ITS Rocky Mountain Conference (must pay their own way).

## Odd-Numbered Years

- Receive transportation, hotel accommodations, complimentary registration and expenses (not to exceed \$500) to attend the 2011 ITS Rocky Mountain Conference in conjunction with the National Rural ITS Conference in Couer D'Alene, Idaho.
- Have the opportunity to present the winning essay during the ITS Rocky Mountain Conference.

## Eligibility

- Must be a student member of ITS Rocky Mountain at the time of submittal.
- Must provide an official transcript from the student's current school.
- Entries shall be limited to one paper per student per year.
- Student must have completed the work that provides the basis for the paper or had significant involvement in a portion/phase of the work that the paper is based on.
- Student must be the primary author.