



SEPTEMBER, 2003 NEWSLETTER

INSTITUTE OF TRANSPORTATION ENGINEERS - Northern California Section



New President Kristin Calia Kicks Off the 2003-04 Year

President Kristin Calia welcomed ITE members to the first meeting of the 2003 – 04 year. The meeting initiated Andiamo’s Restaurant as the new venue for monthly meetings. Andiamo is located at 3145 Folsom Boulevard.

Modeling the Effects of Smart Growth

Steve Brown and Don Hubbard of Fehr & Peers Associates presented methods to evaluate the effects of “smart growth” projects on the local and regional transportation system.

Traditional models are generally not sensitive enough to model short trips like walking or bicycling due to the aggregate zone structure of land use zones. The larger zones result in short trips being captured within the zone and not included in the determination of project impacts. To deal with this issue Fehr & Peers Associates has developed a post processing addition to regional models that capture the “4D’s” or density, diversity, design and destination. Modeling the 4D’s captures the sensitivity of non-home based trips to smart growth land uses.

Don and Steve presented three examples of the use of the 4D’s. They were the Sacramento County Transportation and Air Quality Collaborative, the SACOG Blueprint study and TBART.

2003 ITE Golf Tournament

On September 6, 2003 60 ITE members gathered at the Wildhawk Golf Course for the 2003 ITE golf tournament. A good time was had by all. We would like to thank our sponsors for the tournament.

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Fehr & Peers Associates
Grandy & Associates
Hexagon Transportation Consultants, Inc.
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Parsons Brinckerhoff
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FUTURE MEETINGS

- October 17, 2003 – Celia McAdam, Executive Director of the Placer County Transportation Planning Agency.
- November 21, 2003 – Will Kempton, Assistant City Manager, City of Folsom.