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To Iowa Highway Research Board

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Attention Regular and Alternate Members

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Location InTrans - Research Park 4, 2711 S Loop Dr #4700, Ames, IA 50010

The Iowa Highway Research Board will meet **on October 30, 2026 at 9:00 a.m.**

AGENDA

1. **Agenda review/modification**
2. **Membership Update**
3. **Minutes Approval from July 31, 2026.**
4. **Final Report, TR-819, “*Historic Highway Bridges in Iowa: Statewide Inventory and Evaluation*,” 1868-1985, Libby Wielenga, Bear Creek Archeology, Inc., \$1,269,870.25, (20 min)**
5. **Final Report, TR-828, *Low-Cost Safety Strategies for Unpaved Rural Roads*, Shauna Hallmark, Iowa State University, \$191,771, (20 min)**
6. **Proposal, IHRB-4005, “*Otta Seal Surfacing for Low-Volume Roads in Iowa, Phase III: Enhancing Implementation and Training*,” Halil Ceylan, Iowa State University, \$283,006, (20 min).**
7. **Program Update, “*Iowa LTAP 2026*”, Keith Knapp, Iowa State University, (20 min)**
8. **New Ideas Ranking**

Idea Number	Title
4584	<u>Development/Delivery of 3 Short Courses: 1.Asphalt Binder Background, 2.Principles of Asphalt Mix Design, 3.Balanced Mix Design</u>
4582	<u>Development and Implementation of Balanced Mix Design Procedure for Iowa</u>
4564	<u>Iowa Granular Road Structural Design Tool Phase 2: GIS-Enabled Web-Based GRADES Platform</u>

- 4561 [Monitor and Evaluate Proprietary Product MCE on Iowa Bridge Decks](#)
- 4557 [Study to Define the Pros and Cons to the Secondary Road Departments due to County Consolidation](#)
- 4554 [Local Work For Local Workers \(LWLW\)](#)
- 4234 [Concrete Surface Texture](#)

9. STIC/AID Innovation Program Update – *STRIDES - State Transportation Roadway Innovation Deployment Excellence*, Linda Su, Iowa DOT.

10. New Business

February 2027 IHRB Meeting – Business Plan Workshop (all day).

11. Adjourn 11:00 a.m – Regular Meeting

- 12. ISU & InTrans Research Program Presentations and lab tours – Lunch Provided.** Please rsvp to Judy Thomas at jathomas@iastate.edu if you plan to remain after the IHRB meeting.
- a. Reactor lab activities at InTrans
 - b. Lightning round Transportation Research at ISU
 - c. Lightning round Construction Research at ISU
 - d. Visit Construction labs – on campus

The next regular meeting of the Iowa Highway Research Board is scheduled for December 1, 2026 at 1:00 pm at the Iowa Events Center in Des Moines.

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