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County Road Association of Michigan announces 2020 Engineer of the Year Awards

LANSING, Mich. – On Feb. 10, 2021, the County Road Association (CRA) of Michigan Engineering Committee presented the 2020 Engineering Awards at the annual County Engineers Workshop. Danielle Deneau, PE, of Road Commission for Oakland County (RCOC), was presented with the Urban Engineer of the Year Award, and Garrett Myland, PE, of St. Joseph County Road Commission (SJCRC), was named Rural Engineer of the Year.

“CRA’s Engineer of the Year Awards honor the best of the best in innovation at county road agencies,” said Denise Donohue, CRA director. “Danielle and Garrett have gone above and beyond in improving the county road network. Their contributions have led us in the right direction as we continue to improve Michigan’s roads.”

Deneau, the RCOC Director of Traffic-Safety Department, is known internationally for her expertise in traffic-signal systems and connected-vehicle technology. She has worked at RCOC for 27 years and leads the road commission’s Intelligent Transportation Systems.

Myland is the assistant manager/engineer at SJCRC and has a bachelor’s degree from Western Michigan University. He joined SJCRC as an intern in 2012, and he is known for managing the construction of SJCRC’s first rural roundabout.

The annual CRA Engineering Awards recognize county road agency engineers across the state in both rural and urban areas.

The 83 members of the County Road Association of Michigan represent the unified voice for a safe and efficient county transportation infrastructure system in Michigan, including appropriate stewardship of the public’s right-of-way in rural and urban Michigan. Collectively, Michigan’s county road agencies manage 75 percent of all roads in the state, including 90,000 miles of roads and 5,700 bridges. County road agencies also maintain the state’s highway system in 64 counties. Michigan has the nation’s fourth-largest local road system.

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