

Thursday, April 26, 2018

12:00 - 1:10 pm

College Avenue Commons (CAVC) Room 455 (Parking)

<p><b>VALLEY METRO UPDATE</b></p>	<p><b>ONE "ROAD" TO SUCCESS</b></p>
 <p><b>Wulf Grote, PE</b>          Director, Capital &amp; Service Development          Valley Metro</p>	 <p><b>Jenny Grote, PE</b>          Principal          GroTrans Engineering, LLC</p>
<p><b>About the Talk</b></p> <p>The presentation will include an update on Valley Metro's regional transit services, with a focus on the agency's rail development program. Valley Metro serves nearly 70 million transit passengers per year. There are over 100 bus routes and 26 miles of light rail service in operation throughout the Valley. Valley Metro is also engaged in a major 40-mile rail expansion program and several projects are in various stages of planning, design and construction.</p>	<p><b>About the Talk</b></p> <p>My presentation covers my 31-year career with the City of Phoenix Street Transportation Department in three Divisions. During my career, I held leadership positions in the Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE), from Arizona Section Treasurer all the way up through International President in 2002. I encourage students to get involved in professional organizations, such as ITE, so they can start making connections and be more informed when they start their job search upon graduation.</p>
<p><b>About the Speaker</b></p> <p>Wulf Grote is the Director of Capital and Service Development for Valley Metro in Phoenix, Arizona. His Division is responsible for rail and bus facility planning, design, construction and community relations. In addition, Wulf oversees regional transit system planning and service planning. He has been a leader in transit development for the Phoenix Metropolitan Area since 1985. He spent 23 years with the City of Phoenix Public Transit Department, ultimately as Assistant Transit Director. Prior to Phoenix, Wulf also worked in Denver for several years as a transportation engineer for the Regional Transportation District and DeLeuw, Cather and Associates.</p> <p>Wulf has Bachelor and Master of Science degrees in Civil Engineering from the University of Utah and is a registered professional engineer in the State of Arizona.</p>	<p><b>About the Speaker</b></p> <p>Jenny Grote started GroTrans Engineering, LLC after retiring from the City of Phoenix in 2016. She spent 31 years in the Street Transportation Department, mostly in the Traffic Services (Operations) Division until she was promoted to Deputy Street Transportation Director, and then on to the Deputy over the Transportation Planning &amp; Programming Division.</p> <p>Jenny's career began in consulting in Denver, Colorado after receiving her B.S. degree in Civil and Environmental Engineering from the University of Colorado. She is a registered Professional Engineer in Arizona, a certified Professional Traffic Operations Engineer, and a certified Professional Transportation Planner. Jenny has had 30 years of leadership experience in ITE: Arizona Section President; Western District President, International Director (twice); International President in 2002; and Western District Administrator for eight years.</p>

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