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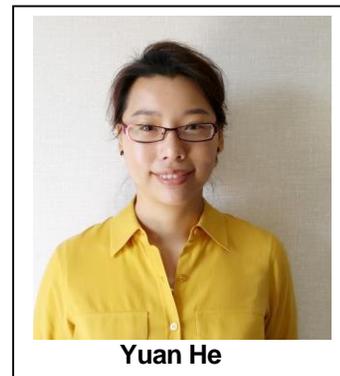
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2015 INTERNATIONAL ROAD FEDERATION FELLOW NAMED; ENDOWMENT FOR A CALIFORNIA GRADUATE STUDENT IN ENGINEERING IS SPONSORED BY CALAPA

WEST SACRAMENTO, Calif. – Jan. 9, 2015 – The California Asphalt Pavement Association (CalAPA), in conjunction with the International Road Federation (IRF) and the University of California, today announced the recipient of the California Asphalt Pavement Association IRF Fellow for 2015.

Yuan He, of Davis, Calif., is a Ph.D candidate in the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering with asphalt pavement specialty at the University of California, Davis. She is also employed as a student research assistant at the UC Pavement Research Center.

She earned her Bachelor's degree in Transportation Engineering in China and holds a Master's Degree in Mechanical Engineering from Purdue University. She has been involved in a variety of pavement research projects funded by the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) since 2001. Currently, she is working as the lead researcher for a National Center for Sustainable Transportation (NCST) project. She is familiar with "Superpave" asphalt binder and mixture performance testing and property evaluation. Her doctoral research topic is the performance of Recycled Asphalt Shingles (RAS) and high quantities of Reclaimed Asphalt Pavements (RAP) in asphalt mixes.



Yuan He

The IRF Fellowship Program for graduate students of engineering and transportation policy, founded in 1949, enhances the professional curriculum of graduate students in fields related to the development of better and safer roads, and their ability to meaningfully improve transportation in their home countries. Graduates of the Fellowship Program have gone on to become high government officials as well as leaders in the private sector and in academia.

"I'm proud that our association has a strong commitment to developing the next generation of leaders in our industry," said Jeff Reed, CEO of George Reed Inc./ Basic Resources and a member of CalAPA's Board of Directors. He is also vice chairman of the IRF. "The prestigious International Road Federation

fellowship will provide an excellent opportunity for graduate-level engineering students from California to gain valuable leadership skills and insight into a fast-changing profession.”

As part of the program, Ms. He and other 2015 Fellows from around the world are attending a series of events in Washington, D.C., in January, including tours of the World Bank Group, the American Association of State Highway & Transportation Officials (AASHTO), the American Road and Transportation Builders Association (ARTBA) and the Federal Highway Administration.

“For 65 years, the IRF Fellowship Program has been the crown jewel of IRF’s global programs and an embodiment of our industry’s commitment to ready the next generation of transportation planners and engineers” according to C. Patrick Sankey, President & CEO of the International Road Federation. “The endowment by the California Asphalt Pavement Association will have a decisive impact on the life of an aspiring transportation professional. I thank CalAPA for its generosity and its leadership.”

Ms. He said she has already gained valuable insight from her participation in the program. “The IRF fellowship enhances my leadership and communication skills,” she said. “This means friendship as well. The fellows that I have met are from different countries and universities all around the world. We exchange ideas on research, talk about life, finish tasks as a team, etc. I really enjoy the time and have learned a lot. I thank CalAPA for this opportunity.”

The California Asphalt Pavement Association (CalAPA), founded in 1953, is a non-profit trade association representing the asphalt pavement industry in California. CalAPA members include asphalt producers, refiners, paving contractors, testing labs, consulting engineers, product suppliers, equipment manufacturers and representatives from other companies related to the asphalt pavement industry in California. Proceeds from CalAPA events, such as the association’s annual golf tournament, help underwrite the IRF fellowship and also other workforce development activities, such as inviting engineering students to attend CalAPA conferences free.

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