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**Former T&I Staffer to Join ITS America**  
*Longtime DeFazio Aide Matt Leasure will Direct Legislative Policy Efforts*

**WASHINGTON** – The Intelligent Transportation Society of America (ITS America) today announced Matt Leasure, formerly with the House Transportation & Infrastructure (T&I) Committee, will join ITS America as Vice President of Public Policy and Legislative Affairs.

Leasure spent the past nine years on Capitol Hill, first in Rep. Peter DeFazio's (D-OR) personal office and most recently at the T&I Committee, where he coordinated committee policymaking on transportation issues in the Pacific Northwest and was the lead for legislation and hearings on DOT's Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program.

"We are thrilled to welcome Matt to the ITS America team," said Laura Chace, President & CEO. "His understanding of and experience with transportation policy on the Hill will be a tremendous benefit for our members, who are developing and deploying technology to transform mobility and create opportunities for everyone, no matter who they are or where they live."

As VP, Leasure will lead legislative affairs and advance public policy and work with ITS America policy staff and other senior leaders to develop the association's legislative goals.

"I'm really looking forward to working with ITS America staff and members to help realize their vision of using transportation technology to create a safer, greener, smarter, and more equitable future," Leasure said. "With the historic investments included in the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, we have a unique opportunity to transform transportation across the country, and ITS America is one of the key organizations focused on this critical work."

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