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BICYCLES / PEDESTRIANS

Report: Metro Detroit Among Top 20 Most Dangerous Places for Pedestrians

Detroit News

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Citizen-Run Group A2 Safe Transport Urges More Action from Ann Arbor on Pedestrian Safety

All About Ann Arbor

<https://www.clickondetroit.com/all-about-ann-arbor/citizen-run-group-a2-safe-transport-urges-more-action-from-ann-arbor-on-pedestrian-safety>

Ann Arbor Reveals Community-Driven Guidelines on Crosswalk Design

All About Ann Arbor

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BORDER CROSSING

Detroit-Windsor Tunnel Returns to Regular Operating Hours

Windsor Star

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Ambassador Bridge Slashes Commuter Toll for Motorists

Detroit Free Press

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Waymo Will Deepen Michigan Roots with Factory for Outfitting Self-Driving Cars

CNET

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FUNDING

Report: Whitmer Open to Shifting Gas Tax to Roads

WSJM Radio

<https://www.wsjm.com/2019/01/24/report-whitmer-open-to-shifting-gas-tax-to-roads/>

Transportation Head: At Least \$1.5 Billion More Needed for Highways

AP

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House Speaker Says Taxes at Pump Should Fund Roads

AP

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Winter Wreaks Havoc on Michigan Roads as Funding Debate Looms

Detroit News

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GPS and NAVIGATION

Grand Rapids Considers Real-Time GPS Tracking for Snow Plows

MLive

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MOBILITY

Four Michigan Ideas to Fill Transit Gaps Awarded \$4.7 Million in Mobility Challenge Grants

MLive

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Michigan Mobility Institute Aims to Expand AV Talent, Ecosystem

Xconomy

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Ann Arbor's May Mobility Raises \$22 Million for Self-Driving Shuttles

Automotive News

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Michigan Mobility Institute Appoints Board

Benzinga

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Mobility Industry Leaders Envision 'Arsenal of Mobility' at Detroit Auto Show Panel Discussion

Concentrate

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Michigan's New Governor Tours North American International Auto Show Like Kid in Candy Store

WXYZ-TV

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The State of Our State's Transportation, Plus Four Things to Know

Daily Detroit podcast

<http://www.dailydetroit.com/2019/02/13/the-state-of-our-states-transportation-plus-4-things-to-know/>

RAILROADS

Citizen Group Reveals FRA Concerns for New Ann Arbor Train Station

Michigan Daily

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ROADWAYS

Transportation Boss Pushes Funding, Innovation to Fix Michigan Roads

Detroit News

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What Will Fixing the Roads Cost Taxpayers?

WDIV-TV

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All Lanes of Southbound I-75 in Detroit Reopen After Two Years of Construction

Detroit Free Press

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MDOT Crews Share Snow Plowing Experiences

WJRT-TV

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More Roundabouts Heading to Michigan

WNEM-TV

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Who Will Plow I-75 in Monroe County Next Season? MDOT Says Not to Worry

Detroit Free Press

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Ann Arbor Releases Data on Driving Behavior on City Roads

Michigan Daily

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MDOT Says 'Michigan Left Turn' the Best Option at M-51/US 12 Intersection

WNDU-TV

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Marshall, MDOT and Consumers Energy Planning \$4 Million Joint Project on Michigan Avenue

Battle Creek Enquirer

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MDOT Seeks Contractors for Road Upkeep

Monroe News

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ROAD SAFETY

Michigan to Install Flashing Signs to Stop Wrong-Way Drivers

AP

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Report Says Michigan is Deadliest State for Winter Driving

WWMT-TV

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Michigan's Expanded 'Move Over' Law Takes Effect

WDIV-TV

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Mid-Michigan Police Officers Favor Hands-Free Driving Law for Michigan

WJRT-TV

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TRANSIT

Battle Creek City Commission Wants to Reduce Cuts to Police, Transit Services

Battle Creek Enquirer

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Budget Plan: No Cuts to Battle Creek Transit, No Fare Increases

Battle Creek Enquirer

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TRANSPORTATION MANAGEMENT

Here's How Traffic Will Be Affected by the Grand Rapid Area's Two Biggest Projects in 2019

WXMI-TV

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VEHICLES

Digital License Plates Now Allowed in Michigan

The Verge

<https://www.theverge.com/2019/1/17/18187338/digital-license-plates-michigan-allowed-rules-legal-price>

'Air Traffic Control' for Driverless Cars Could Speed Up Deployment

University of Michigan

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