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The following is a summary of news articles related to Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) and compiled on behalf of ITS Michigan for ITS Michigan members. The articles are listed by category/topic.

BICYCLES / PEDESTRIANS

Metro Detroit cities making road improvements to increase pedestrian safety

WXYZ-TV

<https://www.wxyz.com/news/metro-detroit-cities-making-road-improvements-to-increase-pedestrian-safety>

Non-Motorized Transportation Improvements To Ypsilanti Streets This Summer

WWJ-TV

<https://detroit.cbslocal.com/2021/04/21/non-motorized-transportation-improvements-to-ypsilanti-streets-this-summer/>

EQUITY

Michigan DOT Creates New Diversity/Inclusion Executive-Level Position

AASHTO Journal

<https://aashtojournal.org/2021/04/23/michigan-dot-creates-new-diversity-inclusion-executive-level-position/>

Toyota, AARP partner to make transportation easier for older adults in Washtenaw County

All About Ann Arbor

<https://www.clickondetroit.com/all-about-ann-arbor/2021/05/12/toyota-aarp-partner-to-make-transportation-easier-for-older-adults-in-washtenaw-county/#/>

INFRASTRUCTURE

Detroit Showed What ‘Build Back Better’ Can Look Like

Bloomberg CityLab

<https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2021-05-10/detroit-has-a-lesson-on-building-back-better?srnd=citylab>

Pre-World War II Plymouth Township train overpass screaming for improvements

Hometown Life

<https://www.hometownlife.com/story/news/2021/04/15/83-year-old-plymouth-township-train-bridge-needs-help/7187240002/>

MOBILITY

With Eye on Future, MSU Forms Mobility Advisory Council

WardsAuto

<https://www.wardsauto.com/industry-news/eye-future-msu-forms-mobility-advisory-council>

Continental, Iteris Collaborate on Mobility Tech For Smart Cities

DBusiness

<https://www.dbusiness.com/tech-mobility-news/continental-and-iteris-collaborate-on-mobility-tech-for-smart-cities/>

OTHER

MDHHS launches pilot Travel Points Testing at Michigan Welcome Centers and airports

Michigan Department of Health & Human Services

https://www.michigan.gov/mdhhs/0,5885,7-339-73970_71692-557549--,00.html

PLANNING

Kirk Steudle leading development of Oakland County's strategic mobility plan

Oakland Press

https://www.theoaklandpress.com/local-news/kirk-steudle-leading-development-of-oakland-countys-strategic-mobility-plan/article_4f544b9e-b354-11eb-a449-9b2fcbca4ba4.html

PUBLIC INFORMATION and EDUCATION

Michigan DOT PSA Encourages COVID-19 Vaccination

Michigan DOT

<https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/MIDOT/bulletins/2d8db26>

RAILROADS

Michigan Republican revives plan to eliminate waits at busy railroad crossings

WJRT-TV

<https://www.abc12.com/2021/05/06/michigan-republican-revives-plan-to-eliminate-waits-at-busy-railroad-crossings/>

ROADWAYS

\$100M project on I-69 in Flint area to begin

MLive

<https://www.mlive.com/news/flint/2021/04/100m-project-on-i-69-in-flint-area-to-begin.html>

Battle Creek commissioners reject roundabout at Emmett Street because of intense community opposition

Battle Creek Enquirer

<https://www.battlecreekenquirer.com/story/news/2021/04/21/emmett-street-roundabout-rejected-community-opposition/7319244002/>

MDOT will detail \$300M rebuild of I-475 in virtual meeting May 19

MLive

<https://www.mlive.com/news/flint/2021/05/mdot-will-detail-300m-rebuild-of-i-475-in-virtual-meeting-may-19.html>

ROAD SAFETY

Michigan hosts national work zone safety event - one advocate's motivation

Talking Michigan Transportation podcast

<https://www.buzzsprout.com/1374205/8430425-michigan-hosts-national-work-zone-safety-event-one-advocate-s-motivation>

TRANSIT

MTA asks Flint voters to renew millage for public transportation in city

MLive

<https://www.mlive.com/news/flint/2021/04/mta-asks-flint-voters-to-renew-millage-for-public-transportation-in-city.html>

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