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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

Detroit Healthcare Workers In Need Of Transportation Receive Free Bikes

WKBD-TV

<https://detroit.cbslocal.com/2020/09/18/detroit-healthcare-workers-in-need-of-transportation-receive-free-bikes/>

Cyclists cite continued difficulties amid Wheelway closure near Petoskey

News-Review

https://www.petoskeynews.com/featured-pnr/cyclists-cite-continued-difficulties-amid-wheelway-closure-near-petoskey/article_d4b7c000-1d59-544b-bf89-2d440703e664.html

More Michigan Law Enforcement Agencies Enforcing Bicycle Safety

Sun Times News

<https://thesuntimesnews.com/g/dexter-mi/n/18396/more-michigan-law-enforcement-agencies-enforcing-bicycle-safety>

Ann Arbor's Healthy Streets program test-drives non-motorized transportation infrastructure

Concentrate

<https://www.secondwavemedia.com/concentrate/features/healthystreets0567.aspx>

U-M police: Bicycle theft increasing in Ann Arbor

All About Ann Arbor

<https://www.clickondetroit.com/all-about-ann-arbor/2020/09/29/u-m-police-bicycle-theft-increasing-in-ann-arbor/>

BORDER CROSSING

Wayne County sheriff: Driving hazmat over Ambassador Bridge is safer for Michigan

Detroit News letter to the editor

<https://www.detroitnews.com/story/opinion/2020/10/06/letter-wayne-county-sheriff-hazmat-over-ambassador-bridge-safer/3636848001/>

CAMERAS

Michigan State Police Now Using MDOT Freeway Cameras To Zero In On Shooting Suspects

WXYZ-TV

<https://www.wxyz.com/news/michigan-state-police-now-using-mdot-freeway-cameras-to-zero-in-on-shooting-suspects>

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Ford breaks ground on electric F-150 pickup truck plant in Michigan

The Verge

<https://www.theverge.com/2020/9/17/21441276/ford-electric-f150-truck-factory-break-ground-michigan>

FUNDING

MDOT anticipates spending more on fixing roads in 2020-2021 budget year

WEYI-TV

<https://nbc25news.com/news/local/mdot-anticipates-spending-more-on-fixing-roads-in-2020-2021-budget-year>

INFRASTRUCTURE

Maintaining Bridges In An Era Of Climate Volatility

Talking Michigan Transportation podcast

<https://soundcloud.com/talkingmitransportation/maintaining-bridges-in-an-era-of-climate-volatility>

MOBILITY

Mobility Landscape Revving Up

WWJ-TV's Michigan Matters

<https://detroit.cbslocal.com/2020/09/25/michigan-matters-mobility-landscape-revving-up/>

PlanetM Gets New Mobility Testing Partner In Upper Peninsula

MITechNews

<https://mitechnews.com/mobile-technologies/planetm-gets-new-mobility-testing-partner-in-upper-peninsula/>

OTHER

Michigan State Police's Website Releases Traffic Stop Data, Use-Of-Force Policy

Detroit Free Press

<https://www.freep.com/story/news/local/michigan/2020/09/17/michigan-state-police-new-website-releases-traffic-stop-data/5720330002/>

Michigan judge blocks law that banned paid transportation to polls

CNN

<https://www.cnn.com/2020/09/17/politics/election-2020-michigan-paid-transportation-polls/index.html>

Flint announces program to help homeless resolve traffic fines, warrants and more

MLive

<https://www.mlive.com/news/flint/2020/10/flint-announces-program-to-help-homeless-resolve-traffic-fines-warrants-and-more.html>

PLANNING

Dearborn approves new multi-modal transportation plan

Metromode

<https://www.secondwavemedia.com/metromode/devnews/MultiModalTransportationPlanDearborn.aspx>

RAILROADS

MDOT receives federal \$15.6 million grant for safety improvements along rail corridor

Morning Sun

https://www.themorningsun.com/news/mdot-receives-federal-15-6-million-grant-for-safety-improvements-along-rail-corridor/article_769a2338-cd3d-508b-ab74-fb2232785527.html

Amtrak Employees Host Rally In Dearborn

Arab American News

<https://www.arabamericannews.com/2020/09/30/amtrak-employees-host-rally-in-dearborn-as-cuts-quickly-approach/>

ROADWAYS

After nearly 20 years, US 31 freeway will get connected to I-94

WXMI-TV

<https://www.fox17online.com/news/local-news/michigan/after-nearly-20-years-us-31-freeway-will-get-connected-to-i-94>

Kalamazoo installs 'speed humps' to calm traffic after residents reject 'bump outs'

MLive

<https://www.mlive.com/news/kalamazoo/2020/09/kalamazoo-installs-speed-humps-to-calm-traffic-after-residents-reject-bump-outs.html>

Carbon Fiber Highway Bridges Developed by Lawrence Tech and MDOT Recognized

DBusiness

<https://www.dbusiness.com/tech-mobility-news/carbon-fiber-highway-bridges-developed-by-lawrence-tech-and-mdot-recognized/>

ROAD SAFETY

Michigan State Police say despite traffic decreases, more people are dying on Michigan roads

WXYZ-TV

<https://www.wxyz.com/getting-around-metro-detroit/michigan-state-police-say-despite-traffic-decreases-more-people-are-dying-on-michigan-roads>

Oakland County leads Michigan for car crashes involving deer in 2019

WDIV-TV

<https://www.clickondetroit.com/news/local/2020/10/07/oakland-county-leads-michigan-for-car-crashes-involving-deer-in-2019/>

Michigan State University Studying Distracted Driving Deterrents

WLNS-TV

<https://www.wlns.com/news/local-news/msu-studying-distracted-driving-deterrents/>

TRANSIT

DDOT Reaches Agreement Following Walkout By Bus Drivers

WXYZ-TV

<https://www.wxyz.com/news/ddot-reaches-agreement-following-walkout-drivers-to-return-to-work-monday>

Ann Arbor transit system launches contactless ticketing

MLive

<https://www.mlive.com/news/ann-arbor/2020/10/ann-arbor-transit-system-launches-contactless-ticketing.html>

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