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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

Michigan bicycle shops see rise in sales

WILX-TV

<https://www.wilx.com/2022/03/18/michigan-bicycle-shops-see-rise-sales/>

State of Michigan Announces Grants for Electrified Mobility Projects

Autobody News

<https://www.autobodynews.com/index.php/midwestern/item/25711-state-of-michigan-announces-grants-for-electrified-mobility-projects.html>

CAMERAS

Michigan Senate OKs Plan To Ban Red-Light Cameras

Detroit Free Press

<https://www.freep.com/story/news/politics/2022/03/22/michigan-senate-red-light-cameras/7129104001/>

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Michigan's future is on the line as cars shift to electric

Bridge Michigan commentary

<https://www.bridgemi.com/business-watch/john-rakolta-jr-michigans-future-line-cars-shift-electric>

How a New Jeep Factory In Detroit Turned Into a Civil Rights Fight

Bloomberg Equality + CityLab

<https://www.bloomberg.com/news/features/2022-03-21/stellantis-nv-s-detroit-jeep-plant-draws-ire-of-environmental-justice-activists?srd=citylab>

ENVIRONMENT

Michigan Procurement Contract to Make Buying BEBs Simpler

Metro

<https://www.metro-magazine.com/10166760/michigan-procurement-contract-to-make-buying-bebs-simpler>

FUNDING

Governor calls for temporarily suspending Michigan's sales tax on gas

Detroit Free Press

<https://www.freep.com/story/news/politics/2022/03/18/whitmer-suspend-michigan-sales-tax-gas/7093955001/>

Governor vetoes bill to suspend state's gas tax beginning in 2023

Michigan Advance

<https://michiganadvance.com/blog/whitmer-vetoes-bill-to-suspend-states-gas-tax-beginning-in-2023/>

Voters in Ann Arbor-Ypsilanti area could decide transit tax increase in August

MLive

<https://www.mlive.com/news/ann-arbor/2022/03/voters-in-ann-arbor-ypsilanti-area-could-decide-transit-tax-increase-in-august.html>

A quick overview of the Ann Arbor-Ypsilanti transit tax proposal

MLive

<https://www.mlive.com/news/ann-arbor/2022/03/a-quick-overview-of-the-ann-arbor-ypsilanti-transit-tax-proposal.html>

Ypsilanti Township leaders blast big proposed public transit tax increase

MLive

<https://www.mlive.com/news/ann-arbor/2022/04/ypsilanti-township-leaders-blast-big-proposed-public-transit-tax-increase.html>

INFRASTRUCTURE

Governor lawmakers agree on sweeping \$4.7 billion water and infrastructure deal

Detroit Free Press

<https://www.freep.com/story/news/politics/2022/03/23/whitmer-lawmakers-agree-4-8-billion-water-and-infrastructure-deal/7138868001/>

Governor signs bill to spend \$4.7B for state infrastructure

AP

<https://www.themorningsun.com/2022/03/30/whitmer-signs-bill-to-spend-4-7b-for-infrastructure/>

What is in Michigan's \$4.7 billion infrastructure bill?

AP

<https://www.fox2detroit.com/news/what-is-in-michigans-4-7-billion-infrastructure-bill>

OTHER

Flint transportation director leaving to head Lapeer County Road Commission

MLive

<https://www.mlive.com/news/flint/2022/03/flint-transportation-director-leaving-to-head-lapeer-county-road-commission.html>

ROADWAYS

Governor Announces I-375 Modernization Project Advancing in Detroit

Michigan Governor's Office

<https://www.michigan.gov/whitmer/news/press-releases/2022/03/16/odernization-project-advancing-in-detroit-to-reconnect-communities>

Public weighs in on plans for \$300 million rebuild of I-475 in Flint and Burton

WJRT-TV

https://www.abc12.com/public-weighs-in-on-plans-for-300-million-rebuild-of-i-475-in-flint-and/article_677952b4-aab1-11ec-8ba0-736941371590.html

Could inflation lead to fewer miles of road fixed?

WXYZ-TV

<https://www.wxyz.com/getting-around-metro-detroit/could-inflation-lead-to-fewer-miles-of-road-fixed>

I-94 project enters third and final year of work in Southwest Michigan

MLive

<https://www.mlive.com/news/kalamazoo/2022/03/i-94-project-enters-third-and-final-year-of-work-in-southwest-michigan.html>

Major I-196 work from Zeeland to Hudsonville begins in April

Holland Sentinel

<https://www.hollandsentinel.com/story/news/local/2022/03/30/major-196-roadwork-zeeland-hudsonville-begins-april/7201972001/>

GR neighborhood pushes for less pollution, truck traffic from US-131

MiBiz

<https://mibiz.com/sections/real-estate-development/gr-neighborhood-pushes-for-less-pollution-truck-traffic-from-us-131>

Roundabout replacing US-23 bridge over M-13 in Arenac County, says MDOT

MLive

<https://www.mlive.com/news/saginaw-bay-city/2022/03/roundabout-replacing-us-23-bridge-over-m-13-in-arenac-county-says-mdot.html>

Potholes, traffic delays and crashes cost the average Michigan household \$4,845 a year

MLive

<https://www.mlive.com/public-interest/2022/04/potholes-traffic-delays-and-crashes-cost-the-average-michigan-household-4845-a-year.html>

The perils of decades of under investing in roads

Talking Michigan Transportation

<https://www.buzzsprout.com/1374205/10313197-the-perils-of-decades-of-under-investing-in-roads>

ROAD SAFETY

Stellantis tests 5G for pedestrian, driver safety notifications

Detroit News

<https://www.detroitnews.com/story/business/autos/chrysler/2022/04/04/stellantis-tests-5-g-pedestrian-driver-safety-notifications/7268627001/>

TRANSIT

State officials announce \$84M in federal aid towards public transportation for Ann Arbor and Detroit

WDIV-TV

<https://www.clickondetroit.com/news/local/2022/04/12/state-officials-announce-84m-in-federal-aid-towards-public-transportation-for-ann-arbor-and-detroit/>

MDOT gets \$13.6 million to upgrade bus fleets, facilities

The Center Square

https://www.thecentersquare.com/michigan/mdot-gets-13-6-million-to-upgrade-bus-fleets-facilities/article_e453f2c8-a609-11ec-b45f-b7ccb8fd4a72.html

Lansing public transport getting \$9.7M in federal cash

WLNS-TV

<https://www.wlns.com/news/local-news/lansing-public-transport-getting-9-7m-in-federal-cash/>

Oakland County Executive Says Transit ‘Not A Dead Issue’

WDET Radio

<https://wdet.org/2022/03/16/dave-coulter-says-transit-not-a-dead-issue/>

How a big tax increase could reshape public transit in Ann Arbor area

MLive

<https://www.mlive.com/news/ann-arbor/2022/03/how-a-big-tax-increase-could-reshape-public-transit-in-ann-arbor-area.html>

Ann Arbor’s TheRide receives \$300K as first step of Ypsilanti Transit Center expansion

WDIV-TV

<https://www.clickondetroit.com/all-about-ann-arbor/2022/03/29/ann-arbors-theride-receives-300k-as-first-step-of-ypsilanti-transit-center-expansion/>

New app provides more user-friendly service from western Washtenaw County transit group

MLive

<https://www.mlive.com/news/ann-arbor/2022/04/new-app-provides-more-user-friendly-service-from-western-washtenaw-county-transit-group.html>

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