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BICYCLES / PEDESTRIANS

Commerce Township Pedestrian Bridge Will Connect Communities

Oakland Press

<http://www.theoaklandpress.com/general-news/20161229/commerce-township-pedestrian-bridge-will-connect-communities>

Detroit Greenways Coalition Releases 50-Year Vision for Bicycle Thruways

Curbed Detroit

<http://detroit.curbed.com/2017/1/5/14169696/detroit-greenways-bike-share-vision>

BORDER CROSSING

Ambassador Bridge Owners Sue Snyder, State Over New Bridge

Michigan Radio

<http://michiganradio.org/post/ambassador-bridge-owners-sue-snyder-state-over-new-bridge>

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Fiat Chrysler Announces \$1 Billion Investment in US Factories

The Hill

<http://thehill.com/policy/technology/313272-fiat-chrysler-announces-1-billion-investment-in-us-factories>

Ford Investing \$700 Million in Michigan Factory is a PR Win for Trump Administration

The Verge

<http://www.theverge.com/2017/1/3/14157158/ford-trump-michigan-jobs-manufacturing>

A Candid Conversation with Michigan's Promising Next-Generation Industry Leaders

Detroit Magazine

<http://www.detroitchamber.com/a-candid-conversation-with-michigans-promising-next-generation-industry-leaders/>

Denso Opens R&D Lab at U-M in Ann Arbor to Advance Machine Learning and Automated Drive

Denso news release

<http://densomedia-na.com/news/show/id/652>

ELECTRONIC TOLLING

FOIA Records Show Why Mackinac Bridge Tollbooths Still Don't Take Credit Cards

MLive

http://www.mlive.com/news/index.ssf/2016/12/pay_mackinac_bridge_credit_car.html

FUNDING

Gas Tax Hike Puts Michigan's Rate in US Top 5

Detroit News

<http://www.detroitnews.com/story/news/politics/2016/12/28/gas-tax-hike-set-put-michigans-rate-us-top/95940666/>

Snyder Vetoes School Billboards Bill, Cites \$100 Million Federal Highway Funding Risk

Detroit Free Press

<http://www.freep.com/story/news/local/michigan/2017/01/05/snyder-vetoes-school-billboards/96198156/>

INFRASTRUCTURE

Snyder Wants Better Coordination of Infrastructure Repairs

WMUK Radio

<http://wmuk.org/post/snyder-wants-better-coordination-infrastructure-repairs>

OTHER

MDOT Plow Data Drivers Faster Snow and Ice Removal

The Mining Journal

<http://www.miningjournal.net/news/front-page-news/2016/12/plow%E2%80%88on/>

Revamped City Planning Aims at Neighborhood Revivals in Detroit

Detroit Free Press

<http://www.freep.com/story/money/business/columnists/2016/12/17/detroit-planning-maurice-cox-neighborhoods/95425396/>

Former MDOT Regional Engineer and Current Idaho Transportation Department Director Brian Ness Talks Transportation

Transportation Radio

<https://transportationradio.wordpress.com/2017/01/11/profile-idaho-transportation-department/>

RAILROADS

Ann Arbor Mayor Makes New Case for Train Station in Fuller Park

MLive

http://www.mlive.com/news/ann-arbor/index.ssf/2017/01/ann_arbor_mayor_makes_new_case.html

ROADWAYS

Snyder Signs 75 MPH Speed Limits, Local Cost-Sharing Requirements Into Law

Detroit News

<http://www.detroitnews.com/story/news/local/michigan/2017/01/05/speed-limits/96200216/>

Michigan DOT Touts Success of Diverging Diamond Interchange

Better Roads

<http://www.equipmentworld.com/michigan-dot-touts-success-of-diverging-diamond-interchange-video/>

ROAD SAFETY

People Killed on Michigan Roads Hits Nine-Year High

MLive

http://www.mlive.com/news/index.ssf/2016/12/number_of_people_killed_on_mic.html

Family of Hudsonville Boy Killed by Distracted Driver Turns Loss Into Lesson

WOOD-TV

<http://woodtv.com/2016/12/13/family-of-boy-killed-by-distracted-driver-turns-loss-into-lesson/>

TRANSIT

Feds Lift Financial Restrictions on Detroit Bus System

Detroit Free Press

<http://www.freep.com/story/news/local/michigan/detroit/2017/01/09/financial-restrictions-detroit-bus-system/96350178/>

CEO: Ford Can Make Money on Public Transit

USA Today

<http://www.usatoday.com/story/money/cars/2017/01/09/mark-fields-ford-motor-co/96321984/>

Flint Gets \$13 Million for New Buses

Detroit Free Press

<http://www.freep.com/story/news/politics/2017/01/11/flint-gets-13-million-new-buses/96454168/>

An Ode to Detroit's People Mover, a Looping Public Transit Joke

Hyperallergic

<http://hyperallergic.com/349239/an-ode-to-detroits-people-mover-a-looping-public-transit-joke/>

VEHICLES

U-M Embraces Proposed Ruling for New Vehicle Technology Standards

Michigan Daily

<https://www.michigandaily.com/section/news/university-embraces-proposed-rule-new-vehicle-technology-standards>

GM to Begin Testing Self-Driving Chevy Bolts on Streets of Detroit

Detroit Free Press

<http://www.freep.com/story/money/cars/general-motors/2016/12/15/gm-begin-testing-self-driving-chevy-bolts-streets-detroit/95477486/>

Volkswagen Unveils New I.D. Model, Autonomous Vehicle at Detroit Auto Show

MLive

http://www.mlive.com/news/detroit/index.ssf/2016/12/volkswagen_to_unveil_new_id_fa.html

AT&T and American Center for Mobility Fuel the Future of Automated Driving

AT&T

http://about.att.com/story/future_of_automated_driving.html

VEHICLE ELECTRIFICATION

Ford Will Make Huge Electrification Push

Autoblog

<http://www.autoblog.com/2017/01/03/ford-hybrid-ev-plans-f-150-mustang-transit/>

Automakers Face Business Model Hurdles with Electric Vehicle Transition

ZDNet

<http://www.zdnet.com/article/automakers-face-business-model-hurdles-with-electric-vehicle-transition-says-mckinsey/>

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