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INDUSTRY NEWS

ONTARIO TRAFFIC MANUAL BOOK 7 TRAINING

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Magna's Camera-Based Technology Helps Take the "Distracted" Out of Driving

Financial Post

Driver monitoring technology combines camera and interior mirror · Fully integrated, intelligent system detects, predicts and alerts **distracted driver** ...

Video appears to show person setting fire to road as car does stunts in Toronto

Globalnews.ca

Officers said the other areas included Tapscott **Road**, the Toronto Zoo and Dean Park **Road**. Charges were laid, police said, but further details ...

'Roundabouts save lives' advises retired traffic inspector

BayToday

"**Traffic** management via a roundabout is an internationally recognized and supported method for **safety**," Andrews advises. "People are not fond of them ...

Most Canadians deem distracted driving safe – survey

Insurance Business Canada

Many Canadians admit to engaging in **distracted driving** habits and consider these behaviours safe – except when other people are doing them, ...

More Ontario cities are taking e-scooters out for a spin

TVO

More **Ontario** cities are taking e-scooters out for a spin ... COVID-19 is driving interest in new modes of transportation, e-scooters among them. ... to allow e-scooters on public roads, a **Ministry of Transportation** spokesperson says.

Local effort to curb stunt driving fuels provincial campaign

Owen Sound Sun Times

The committee, which includes representatives from the **Ministry of Transportation**, OPP, Peel Regional Police, Bruce and Grey counties, trauma ...

Ontario announces crackdown on street racing after huge spike in 2020

CBC.ca

In a news conference Monday, the **Ministry of Transportation** announced new legislation aimed at making Ontario's roads safer and combating ...

Ontario Government Introduces Moving Ontarians More Safely Act, 2021

Wawa-news.com

The **Ontario** government is taking strong action to protect road users against unsafe and aggressive driving...

New Urbanism trend integrates sustainability and livable communities

The Globe and Mail

The aim of **New Urbanism** is to create developments that are less like sterile suburbs and more like warm, walkable villages...

Ontario Identifies First Two Subway Transit-Oriented Communities

Government of Ontario News

... places," said Kinga Surma, Associate **Minister of Transportation** (GTA). "Ontario is leading the province's first Transit-Oriented Communities Program ...

OTC Calendar of Events



- **Book 7 Training (Non-Freeway)** - 8:00 am to 4:00 pm; **Online Training**
 - May 20, 2021
 - June 17, 2021
 - July 15, 2021
 - August 12, 2021
 - September 16, 2021
 - October 21, 2021
 - November 18, 2021
 - December 9, 2021
- **Advanced Transportation Impact Study (TIS) Assessment Program** – May 25 & 31, June 7, 21 & 28, 2021, 8 am to 12 pm; **Virtual Event**
- **Parking Symposium** - May 31-June 1, 2021, 8 am to 12 pm; **Virtual Event**
- **OTC Annual Conference & Supplier Showcase** - June 16-18, 2021, 8 am to 12 pm; **Virtual Event**

- [Transportation Planning Symposium](#) - September 13-14, 2021, 8 am to 12 pm; **Virtual Event**
- [Traffic Engineering Symposium](#) - October 18-19, 2021, 8 am to 12 pm; **Virtual Event**
- [Technical Traffic Operations Course](#) - October 25-November 5 & November 15-26, 2021, 8 am to 12 pm; **Virtual Event**
- [School Zone Safety Symposium](#) - November 1-2, 2021, 8 am to 12 pm; **Virtual Event**

MUNICIPAL NEWS

[Toronto city council votes unanimously to opt out of e-scooter pilot](#)

cp24.com

The City of Toronto has decided to opt out of an e-scooter pilot project due to safety and accessibility concerns...

['It's scary': Toronto police report 222% jump in stunt driving charges during COVID-19 pandemic](#)

Toronto.com

When it comes to discouraging speed, the city began utilizing **Automated Speed Enforcement** (ASE) cameras last summer, and the devices have been ...

[Proposed pedestrian crossover will link trail in Cookstown](#)

BarrieToday

To continue using the multi-use trail, **pedestrians** and cyclists must either make a 0.8-kilometre detour to the nearest crossing at Highway 89 and ...

Dunlop Street to be handed over to pedestrians as Open Air Dunlop is set to return

Barrie 360

The plan for 2021 is to make Dunlop Street East **pedestrian**-only between Mulcaster Street and Clapperton Street on 15 Saturdays, from June 5 until ...

'Rock star' crossing guard earns town's award of merit

OrilliaMatters

She's had hamburgers thrown at her, dodged impatient drivers, and trudged through snowstorms to stand guard so **school** children are able to **cross** the ...

Hamilton police ticketed 3937 aggressive drivers in March

CBC.ca

Hamilton police officers handed out thousands of tickets in March after clamping down on aggressive driving. Const. Stan Larkin, the local **traffic safety** ...

Lincoln seeing increased ridership with new transit system

NiagaraFallsReview.ca

Whereas uLinc resembled a traditional **transit** service – a small bus followed predetermined routes – NRT OnDemand sees riders use an app to arrange ...

Day of appreciation for school crossing guards

The Voice of Pelham

School Crossing Guard Appreciation Day was last Wednesday, March 24, its third annual observance in the province. Pelham bylaw officer Greg ...

Toronto is short more than \$27 million in unpaid traffic fines since 2011

Toronto Star

Toronto's backlog of unpaid **traffic** fines has grown by \$27 million over the past decade as thousands of motorists skip out on paying for non-criminal ...

Mississauga Unveils Locations for First Automated Speed Enforcement Cameras

City of Mississauga

ASE uses a camera and **speed management** device to enforce the **speed limit**. It is a tool that is available to all Ontario municipalities to help increase ...

Making neighbourhoods safer for pedestrians

Oshawa Express

Making neighbourhoods safer for **pedestrians**. All-way stops coming to Hillcroft and Masson, Ormond and Naples. Posted on April 7, 2021 by ...

Patios 'instrumental in helping us survive,' says downtown Peterborough bar owner

ThePeterboroughExaminer.com

Instead, parking spaces in front of businesses interested in patios would be shut down, to make room for **pedestrian** walkways. Hunter and Charlotte ...

City (Ottawa) won't roll out bike-sharing program any time soon

CBC.ca

He pointed to **cycling** infrastructure funds recently announced by the federal government, but staff said they didn't yet know details of what projects might ...

TPS targets aggressive driving in school zone within city's north end

Timmins Press

“Specific areas in Timmins are designated as **Community Safety Zones** so that motorists are made well aware of their responsibilities to drive alertly ...

Charges laid in school bus safety campaign

The North Bay Nugget

The speed limit in **school zones** can be 30 or 40km/h. Drivers speeding in a **school zone** face increased fines and demerit points. Anyone who sees ...

Scugog looks to slow speeders with Community Safety Zones

Toronto Star

Maximum speeds in school zones would also remain 40 km/h. The lowered **speed limits** would apply only to township roads and not provincial roadways ...

Speeding and safety concerns biggest issue residents have on county roads says report

GuelphToday

WELLINGTON COUNTY – An update to the County of Wellington's **Road** Master Action Plan (RMAP) showed residents' biggest priority is **safer** roads.

Canada and Ontario invest in public transit infrastructure for residents of Brampton

Canada NewsWire

Today, Maninder Sidhu, Parliamentary **Secretary** to the **Minister** of International Development and Member of Parliament for Brampton East, on behalf of ...

15 Cambridge streets slated for traffic calming measures as city spearheads speed management

Cambridge Times

Location will also have **automated speed enforcement** installed in school zone and is part of the Neighbourhood 40km/h Speed Limit pilot...

Town of Innisfil interested in speed enforcement camera used in Bradford West Gwillimbury

simcoe.com

Dave Phillips. "We wanted to try something different to add a tool to our toolbox." The **automated** system tracks speeders in Community **Safety** Zones ...

CURRENT JOB POSTINGS

Position: **Transportation Planning Technologist** (click for full posting)

Employer: Town of Milton

Closing Date: May 18, 2021

Reporting to the Manager, Traffic, this position is responsible for establishing and ensuring appropriate design and implementation of traffic requirements necessary to accommodate all land development and Capital Works Projects in order to maintain the operational integrity of the municipal transportation system; and ensures the safe and efficient design and operation of new land developments as it relates to transportation.

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