

November 2021



INDUSTRY NEWS

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Google wants to use AI to time traffic lights more efficiently - Yahoo Finance

Yahoo Canada Finance

Aleksandar Stevanovic, an associate professor of civil and environmental engineering at University of Pittsburgh, said simulations show AI could smooth traffic...

[Ontario installs new HOV lanes and here are the rules - CTV News Toronto](#)

CTV Toronto

Existing HOV traffic lanes in Ontario allow for vehicles to enter or exit by moving across a dashed lane marking located along the HOV lane. The driver merges...

[Richmond approves Lime e-scooters and e-bikes - Toronto Star](#)

Toronto Star

Wolfe added that some other municipalities have had to lower speed limits that...with speed limits of 50km/h or less); roads with a speed limit of 30km/h;...

[We don't just need an AV revolution — we need a design evolution - Yahoo Finance](#)

Yahoo Canada Finance

...to pedestrians and other road users, and often driven by a distracted human...is driver error or choice—drunken driving, speeding and distraction...

[Government confirms about 178,000 blue licence plates still on the road | CBC News](#)

CBC.ca

There are more blue licence plates on Ontario roads than previously reported and the government is still working on a plan to replace them,...

[No one at the wheel: Transit's driverless future in Ontario | TVO.org](#)

TVO

In Ontario, the idea that micro-sized autonomous vehicles could be an answer...Late last month, the Ministry of Transportation announced proposed changes...

[Would you trade in your car for an \\$800 transit credit? - CTV News Vancouver](#)

CTV News Vancouver

The options are either an eight-month adult 1-Zone transit pass or a 14-month Concession Compass Card, each worth \$802. Any traded-in vehicles will go to the...

[Volkswagen CEO Diess Takes to Twitter to Promote Cycling - BNN Bloomberg](#)

BNN

(Bloomberg)--Volkswagen AG top executive Herbert Diess said cars will only have a future in inner city areas if cycling is a key part of how people get...

[Achieving Automation: 'The world of AVs is clearly upon us,' says insurance VP - Collision ...](#)

Collision Repair Magazine

Toronto, Ontario—With autonomous vehicle (AV) initiatives in Ontario going from a sci-fi pipe dream to receiving millions in government investment dollars...

[POLICE: Mobility scooters not meant for busy streets | The Community Press](#)

Community Press

Operators of mobility scooters and motorized wheelchairs are treated the same way as pedestrians, according to Grenville County Ontario Provincial Police.

OTC Calendar of Events



- [Book 7 Training \(Non-Freeway\)](#) - 8:00 am to 4:00 pm; **Online/Hybrid Training**

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • November 19, 2021 • December 9, 2021 • January 20, 2022 • February 24, 2022 • March 8, 2022 • March 24, 2022 • April 21, 2022 • May 19, 2022 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May 31, 2022 • June 16, 2022 • July 7, 2022 • August 4, 2022 • September 8, 2022 • September 20, 2022 • October 6, 2022 • November 15, 2022 • December 1, 2022 |
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- [Book 18 Training \(East\)](#) - November 16-17, 8:30 am to 12 pm; **Virtual Training**
- [Book 18 Training \(North\)](#) - November 23-24, 8:30 am to 12 pm; **Virtual Training**
- [OTC Webinar: Virtual Public Engagement in a Pandemic-Best Practices, Lessons Learned and a Changing Future](#) - November 23, 10 am to 12 pm; **Virtual Event**
- [Book 18 Training \(West\)](#) - November 25-26, 8:30 am to 12 pm; **Virtual Training**
- [School Zone Safety Symposium](#) - November 29-30, 2021, 8 am to 12 pm; **Virtual Event**

MUNICIPAL NEWS

Noise Radar Cameras Could Be Used On Toronto Roads To Crack Down On Loud Drivers - Narcity

Narcity

These loud vehicles are often also operating at speeds that are excessive and dangerous," an excerpt from the proposal reads. "The proposed automated testing...

Operation Impact 2021, a national road safety awareness campaign begins tomorrow in Halton

Oakville News

According to Halton Regional Police Service (HRPS), the campaign aims to promote safe driving behaviours and make Canada's roads 'the safest in the world'. "We...

OPP Reports 208 Road Fatalities Ahead Of Operation Impact On Thanksgiving Weekend

Kawartha 411

Last week marked the 31st motorcyclist death on OPP-patrolled roads. Among this year's road deaths, 54 people died in 46 collisions that involved a commercial...

Toronto's bike-share system sees pandemic boost - The Globe and Mail

The Globe and Mail

Toronto's bike-share system has been blowing past its growth targets since the arrival of COVID-19, which brought with it fears about transit safety and...

City to crack down on illegal stopping and parking near Windsor schools - iHeartRadio

AM800 (iHeartRadio)

Due to a large number of complaints from people living near schools, the City of Windsor Parking Enforcement Division is planning to carry out large-scale...

Citywide Parking Enforcement Blitz Near Area Schools - City Of Windsor

citywindsor.ca

Responding to a large number of complaints from residents near local schools, the City of Windsor Parking Enforcement Division is planning to carry out large-scale school blitzes...

Traffic expert reveals one way Toronto could ease congestions on the roads | CTV News

CTV Toronto

Professor Bauer Abdulhai is offering the same prescription for traffic congestion that we have heard from his colleagues in public health pushing to fight the...

PODCAST: Cars vs. bikes: What do cities actually need to be safe and accessible? - The ...

The Globe and Mail

Peter Norton, an associate professor and author of Fighting Traffic, as well as the new book, Autonorama: The Illusory Promise of High-Tech Driving...

Hamilton to study closing streets to vehicles to create short-term pedestrian-only malls | TheSpec.com

Hamilton Spectator

St. Catharines officials closed down its main downtown streets in 2020 to create pedestrian-only malls and allow businesses to expand their patios so...

Liability concern, cost reasons for rainbow crosswalk refusal | Hanover Post

Hanover Post

The OTM includes exact specifications on the colour and reflectivity of the paint used for roadway line painting, and the line painting at crosswalks...

Newmarket students encouraged to hit the sidewalk for International Walk to School Day ...

NewmarketToday.ca

...why the school was selected to have extra safety measures in place like additional crossing-guards and painted red curbs as well as additional signage.

City considering using photo radar - Lindsay Advocate

Lindsay Advocate

With recent changes to the Highway Traffic Act, municipalities are looking for ways to enforce the 40 kph speed limits found in school zones and municipally...

"40 Is The New 50" As City Reduces Speed Limit In Some Areas | Kawartha 411

Kawartha 411

KAWARTHA LAKES-The municipality has launched a Community Area Speed Limit project called "40 is the new 50". Officials say it is to help improve motorist,...

Parking in Vancouver: Council to consider pollution surcharges in climate plan | CTV News

CTV News Vancouver

The "Climate Emergency Parking Program" recommends requiring overnight parking permits on all residential streets across the city between midnight and 7 a.m..

[Kitchener considering lowering speed limits to 40 km/h in residential neighbourhoods | CTV News](#)

CTV Toronto

Looking to drop speed limits in neighbourhoods. Up next From CTV Kitchener's Leighanne Evans: Kitchener council is considering a recommendation to lower the...

[Traffic congestion resumes as Toronto returns to normal | Canada.Com](#)

Canada.com

13 showed morning traffic volumes and congestion levels, in school zones and across the city, are now at their highest levels since the onset of the pandemic.

[City staff recommend Ottawa green light low-speed vehicles on city streets - CTV News Ottawa](#)

CTV Edmonton

If the city of Ottawa approves a Low-Speed Vehicle Pilot Project, the following regulations would be in place: LSV can only operate on roads with a speed limit...

[Gateway Signage Program to take effect in rural subdivisions | wellandtribune.ca](#)

WellandTribune.ca

Expect changes to the posted speed limits in rural subdivisions across the Municipality of North Grenville. At the Council meeting of September 21...

[Region seeks feedback on massive consolidated transit plan - Toronto Star](#)

Toronto Star

GO Transit and the Region of Niagara want resident feedback on the proposed consolidation of transit across the region. Residents can access a survey on...

Roundabout linking Midland, Penetanguishene opens Monday

Midland Today

The roundabout connecting Midland and Penetanguishene will open Monday for northbound and southbound traffic including access to Vindin Street,...

Let's Walk and Roll! Make the Journey to School Fun, Safe and Active for Walk to School ...

City of Mississauga

With many students returning to in-person learning and residents and commuters returning to work, there is more congestion on Mississauga's roads. Walking and...

City's micro-transit pilot getting good reviews - Guelph News

GuelphToday

City's micro-transit pilot getting good reviews. Launched in May, on-demand transit services expected to save taxpayers \$162,000 by year's end. less than a...

Committee approves adding more automated speed cameras near schools | City of Ottawa

ottawa.ca

All net revenue from the program would go to a new reserve fund for road safety initiatives. The pilot successfully reduced traffic speeds near schools,...

GO train plan that will help tens of thousands of Mississauga and Milton residents a priority ...

Insauga.com

...Centre MP and federal Minister of Transport Omar Alghabra, who retained his post in Prime Minister Justin Trudeau's latest Cabinet overhaul.

JOB POSTINGS

Position: [Project Manager, Transportation Planning](#) (click for full posting)

Employer: City of Guelph

Closing Date: November 19, 2021

Join a highly motivated team working on transforming Guelph's transportation network to be future-ready. This position is responsible for project management and coordination for road environmental assessments and other transportation planning and engineering related technical studies, such as developing a Complete Streets Design Guidelines, a Multi-modal level of service guidelines and implementing studies and projects identified in the 2021 Transportation Master Plan (in progress). The position will report to the Manager of Transportation Planning. Guided by the goals and objectives of the City's Strategic Plan and committed to the Corporate Values of integrity, service, inclusion, wellness and learning, the candidate will aid in the achievement of the Vision for an inclusive, connected and prosperous city.

Duties included but are not limited to are:

- Leading, administering and/or supporting transportation planning projects including environmental assessments, transportation design guidelines, major multi-modal transportation corridor studies, feasibility studies, conceptual design, and preliminary designs of municipal road and active transportation infrastructure.
- Reviews all project deliverables for accuracy, completeness and content according to the project terms of reference.

Position: [Screening Officer](#) (click for full posting)

Employer: Town of Milton

Closing Date: November 14, 2021

Under the direct supervision of the Manager, Licensing & Enforcement the Screening Officer position provides a variety of essential support services to the internal and external customers of the Legislative and Legal Services Department to ensure the execution of administrative and operational procedures related to the Administrative Penalty System, licensing and by-law enforcement.

Position: [Screening Officer](#) (click for full posting)

Employer: Town of Milton

Closing Date: November 14, 2021

Under the direct supervision of the Manager, Licensing & Enforcement the part-time Screening Officer position provides a variety of essential support services to the internal and external customers of the Legislative and Legal Services Department to ensure the execution of administrative and operational procedures related to the Administrative Penalty System, licensing and by-law enforcement.

Position: [Traffic Technician](#) (click for full posting)

Employer: Regional Municipality of Clarington

Closing Date: November 17, 2021

The Public Works Department requires a Traffic Technician. The duties and responsibilities of the position are performed under the direct supervision of the Traffic Engineering Supervisor. The chosen candidate will be responsible for providing support in the administration of all aspects of traffic control within the municipal road network including, but not limited to, the administration of traffic bylaws, traffic signals, on-street pavement markings, traffic signs, traffic calming devices, on-street parking control, minimizing traffic delays and ensuring the road network is able to support and sustain the growth of the municipality safely and efficiently. The Traffic Technician will undertake research and analysis of traffic data, as well as assist in developing policies, preparing reports and making recommendations on various traffic and road safety related issues.

Position: [Coordinator School Zone Traffic Safety Program](#) (click for full posting)

Employer: City of Ottawa

Closing Date: November 19, 2021

You are responsible for working with partners to improve and monitor School Zone Traffic Safety. You provide specialized technical support and coordination of the management of the city's School Zone Traffic Safety Program, including the Adult School Crossing Guard Program and Traffic Safety Outreach Programs. You also manage all road safety issues related to school zones - develop policies,

conduct investigations, analyze concerns, develop corrective options, provide recommendations, prioritize and coordinate implementation of measures, and conduct outreach, monitoring and evaluation programs. In addition, you liaise with city staff, councillors, various federal, provincial and municipal governments, universities, road safety organizations, police services, schoolboards, and special interest groups.

Position: [Senior Transportation Planner](#) (click for full posting)

Employer: Mobycon

Closing Date: December 9, 2021

Do you love cities? Are you a change maker, storyteller, urban problem solver? Do you want to work on sustainable transportation projects to help North American cities reduce their dependence on the automobile?

Mobycon is looking for an enthusiastic Senior Transportation Planner (full-time) in our Ottawa office.

In this role, you'll join our small but mighty team of passionate sustainable mobility planners. You will work with our colleagues in the US and The Netherlands towards our shared goal of making the world less dependent on the car.

Your role will be part project manager, part content specialist and part business developer. We are looking for a generalist who is not afraid of a challenge and who is driven to help cities create and realize their vision for a sustainable future. Much of our projects are related to active transportation plans, street design and network planning, so any experience in those type of projects is a plus.

Position: [Project Lead](#) (click for full posting)

Employer: City of Toronto

Closing Date: November 25, 2021

Two (2) permanent and Two (2) temporary, full-time positions - Toronto, ON

This is a unique opportunity to join the City of Toronto Transportation Services Division and help to shape the future of Toronto's streets with a focus on active transportation, safety and comfort, to create a more livable, equitable and resilient city and keep Torontonians moving safely.

As a Project Lead, you will work across the Transportation Services Division, and with other City divisions, external partners and the public, to improve Traffic Safety in line with the Vision Zero safety program, or to lead staff and projects related to other permits and enforcement activities.

These four opportunities within the Division's Permits and Enforcement group include two positions in the Automated Enforcement program, one position in the Construction Activities unit, and the remaining position reporting to the Director, Permits & Enforcement.

Reporting to the Supervisor, Manager or Director, you will provide support as well as work independently to manage projects, activities and assignments in the delivery of Automated Enforcement programs, including the Red Light Camera and Automated Speed Enforcement programs, Construction Activities projects, the Director's office projects, and other safety-related programs.

Position: [Traffic Operations Technologist](#) (click for full posting)

Employer: Town of Oakville

Closing Date: November 21, 2021

This position reports to the Manager of Traffic Operations and performs duties related to the planning, design, installation, inspection, operation and management of traffic control devices.

Job Responsibilities:

- Review and support design of traffic management plans and drawings related to the installation of traffic control devices including traffic signs, pavement markings, street lighting and traffic signals.
- Develop, implement and monitor traffic signal timing plans for isolated and coordinated operations using traffic signal analysis software.
- Implement, monitor, and support design of annual capital programs, including controller replacement, traffic signal hardware replacement, interconnect, street lighting and emergency vehicle preemption.
Review and support design of PH-M-125 legal traffic signal drawings.

Position: [Senior Transportation Engineering Technologist](#) – Repost (click for full posting)

Employer: City of Cambridge

Closing Date: November 17, 2021

We are looking for an experienced Senior Transportation Engineering Technologist to join the Engineering Transportation Services Division team, Community Development Department available immediately.

What you will be doing:

- Review of planning and development applications such as official plan amendments, zoning bylaw amendments, committee of adjustment applications, site plan applications, and plans of subdivision from a transportation perspective including review of Transportation Impact Studies
- Manage the annual pavement marking program and sign contract

- Review and respond to traffic and parking related requests and inquiries including response to members of the public, Council, City Staff and other agencies
- Review, approval and inspection of traffic control measures and devices for compliance with approved plans, design standards, and specifications
- Analyze the need and appropriateness of speed management and traffic calming initiatives including recommending candidate locations, and managing implementation where required
- Prepare reports and recommendations to Council for approval/direction and/or bylaw endorsement
- Represent the Transportation Division at various meetings and committees
- Assist and provide input in the development of policies, practices and procedures within the division

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