

December 2021



INDUSTRY NEWS

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Did the Supreme Court just pave the way to make snow clearance in bike paths mandatory ...

Canadian Cycling Magazine

Marchi, may have given cyclists a way to demand municipal bike lanes be clear of snow and safe to ride during the winter months.

This is what it's like to ride your bike in Paris at rush hour - Canadian Cycling Magazine

Canadian Cycling Magazine

The French capital is a dream for bike commuting. Photo by: Photo: Commute de Paris @CommuteDeParis. Matt Hansen November 4, 2021.

DOT - U.S. road fatalities hit a 15-year high with more than 20K dead in first half of 2021 ...

Digital Journal

... latest National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) figures. ... announced the agency's first-ever National Roadway Safety Strategy, ...

Brady Robertson's lawyers are attempting to strike down relatively new drug-impaired ...

Global News

He explained the correlation between blood THC levels and impairment as ... a constitutional challenge against the drug-impaired driving law.

Drivers say parking in Montreal is difficult. Experts say it should be | CBC News - CBC.ca

CBC.ca

... of the Victoria Transport Policy Institute in B.C., ... neither of them is a civil engineer who studies and teaches traffic engineering, ...

Social isolation and pandemic insecurities: half of Canadian drivers are tired and stressed

NewsWire.ca

Results from a Desjardins panCanadian survey about driving behaviours, opinions and perceptions on stress, fatigue, distracted driving and ...

Level 3 Autonomous Vehicles Will Cause Insurance Confusion Across Canada - Mondaq

Mondaq

In 2022, vehicles equipped with SAE Level 3 autonomous technology will be on Canada's roads. Level 3 technology is conditional automation, ...

'Never boring': A day in the life of an Ottawa crossing guard | CBC News

CBC.ca

If you thought being a school crossing guard meant mostly standing still and extending your arms now and then, you haven't seen Eleanor Murnaghan ...

You Snooze, You Lose: Desjardins says half of Canadians driving 'stressed' due to

...

Collision Repair Magazine

You Snooze, You Lose: Desjardins says half of Canadians driving 'stressed' due ... TIRF's full factsheet on distracted driving can be found here.

Ontario government agenda includes washroom access for drivers, ELDs - Truck News

Truck News

The minister also highlighted the Ministry of Transportation's partnership with the Ontario Trucking Association. "I am so proud of the partnership ...

Province makes \$267M in grants available to local police services | Sudbury Star

Sudbury Star

developing community outreach programs on a variety of public safety issues including road safety, substance abuse, sexual violence and human ...

Ride the wave of autonomous vehicle technology - Toronto Star

Toronto Star

That's because Durham Regional Transit is about to launch the Whitby Autonomous Vehicle Electric shuttle on a new transit route as part of a ...

New study finds no association with legalized cannabis and traffic injuries | CKPGToday.ca

CKPGToday.ca

However, prior to the country going green, a big concern was the affect it would have on drivers—especially younger ones.

Ontario targets the EV economy in new auto sector strategy - Electric Autonomy Canada

Electric Autonomy Canada

Phase 2 is specifically focused on electric and autonomous vehicles. Ford is pledging to partner with the auto industry to meet four key targets ...

Ontario tests new train route that goes from Toronto to cottage country

CTV News Toronto

According to the Ministry of Transportation, the test run was completed in order to gather data to "bring passenger rail to Northeastern Ontario."

Driverless cars must hurdle key automation issues to be ready for widespread use - Law Times

Law Times

... National Transportation Safety Board, compares the development of automation in the aviation industry with that in road vehicles and discusses ...

Canada's first Automobility Hub launches in Windsor-Essex | IT World Canada News

IT World Canada

... zero-emission, connected, and automated vehicle technology and infrastructure, said Stephen MacKenzie, president and chief executive officer ...

2022 OTC Calendar of Events



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

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • January 20 • February 24 • March 8 • March 24 • April 21 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May 19 • May 31 • June 16 • July 7 • August 4 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • September 8 • September 20 • October 6 • November 15 • December 1
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- **OTM Book 7 Consultants Training (Virtual)** - PRIVATE SESSION: Please contact traffic@otc.org
- **OTM Book 18 Training (Virtual)** - PRIVATE SESSION: Please contact traffic@otc.org
- **Multi Modal Level of Service (MMLOS) Guide (New) Workshop** – January 28, 8:30 am to 12 pm; **Virtual Event**
- **Autonomous Vehicles Symposium** – February 11, 8:30 am to 4 pm; **Hybrid Event**
- **Transportation Modelling Symposium** – March 4, 8:30 am to 4 pm; **Hybrid Event**
- **Environmental Assessment Workshop** – March 25, 8:30 am to 4 pm; **Hybrid Event**
- **Vision Zero Symposium** – March 31, 8:30 am to 4 pm; **Hybrid Event**
- **Active Transportation Symposium** – April 26, 8:30 am to 4 pm; **Hybrid Event**
- **OTC Annual Conference & Supplier Showcase** – May 11-13, 8:30 am to 4 pm; **Hybrid Event**
- **Parking Symposium & Supplier Showcase** – June 24, 8:30 am to 4 pm; **Hybrid Event**
- **Transportation Planning Symposium** – September 30, 8:30 am to 4 pm; **Hybrid Event**
- **Traffic Engineering Symposium** – October 21, 8:30 am to 4 pm; **Hybrid Event**

- [School Zone Safety Symposium](#) – November 25, 8:30 am to 4 pm; **Hybrid Event**

MUNICIPAL NEWS

[E-bikes on Toronto streets: It's a love-hate thing - NOW Magazine](#)

NOW Magazine

I'd see her riding her bike practically every morning on the way to work, ... devices," says Gartz, "everybody needs a safe space to get around.

[Petawawa adding \\$505 fine for harassing parking by-law officers | 104.9 Pembroke Today](#)

Pembroke Today

The Town of Petawawa is adding a \$505 fine for harassing municipal staff and contractors who are enforcing parking restrictions.

[Welland Public Transit introducing reduced fare for qualified low-income passengers - iHeartRadio](#)

iHeartRadio

Since Welland Transit implemented swipe card passes in 2019, punch-style passes will no longer be accepted after December 31st.

[Kanata North is ready to become more than just big tech - CBC.ca](#)

CBC.ca

Jamie Petten, CEO of the Kanata North Business Association, stands near Legget Drive, a test track for autonomous vehicles in the technology park.

Ottawa's police chief supports more photo radar cameras on city streets | CTV News

CTV News Ottawa

A one-year pilot project of the automated speed enforcement system at eight locations in Ottawa resulted in 101,778 tickets issued for speeding ...

Niagara Falls and Fort Erie students learn about commuting between the lines | wellandtribune.ca

Welland Tribune

Between the Lines: Safe & Active Travel for School is a program offered ... students about road safety in their daily commute to and from school.

Kids Safety Village re-opens in Whitby to teach road safety to students - Insauga.com

Insauga.com

The pedestrian safety course teaches kids what a pedestrian is, where they can walk and cross the road, and how to avoid distractions.

Automated Speed Enforcement devices issued more than 21,000 tickets in September – City ...

City of Toronto

News Release November 19, 2021 The City of Toronto's 50 Automated Speed Enforcement (ASE) devices issued a total of 21242 tickets in September, ...

Safety concerns prompt purchase of new signs for crossing guards - Orillia Matters

Orillia Matters

Smaller signs meant to reduce strain on city's crossing guards; 'It is less likely to cause injury,' official says.

'Scary' incident sparks call to halt rollout of traffic safety software | CBC News

CBC.ca

They occur when vehicles, including bicycles, cause sensors in the road to trigger a traffic light change. The sensor technology is meant to speed ...

Collision rate drops 40% on York regional roads in 2020 - Newmarket Today

Newmarket Today

Annual traffic volumes decreased by 20 per cent to 50 per cent during the ... Piloting a two-year limited use, automated speed enforcement program ...

Mississauga road safety campaign targets speeding drivers after four people killed this year

Insauga.com

Mississauga launched a road safety awareness campaign today in an effort to put the brakes on lead-footed drivers who've so far killed four people ...

Bump-outs bumped, so it's back to the drawing board - The Sarnia Journal

The Sarnia Journal

The crossing guards at Indian and Errol roads aren't thrilled by Sarnia's ... students at Errol Road School cross the busy road for eight years.

Blackfriars Bridge debate: convenience for drivers vs safety of cyclists | London Free Press

London Free Press

The goals, he said, are to keep pedestrians and cyclists safe, preserve the serenity and beauty of the Thames Valley Parkway that runs along the ...

Traffic deaths in Toronto led to these five motions at the November meeting of Council | Toronto.com

Toronto.com

O'Connor Drive Traffic Safety: Automated Enforcement and Speed Limit Reductions: Toronto-Danforth Coun. Paula Fletcher has moved a similar motion ...

Ontario Fully Funding the Bradford Bypass

Ontario Newsroom - Ontario.ca

... and reduce greenhouse gas emissions resulting from bumper-to-bumper traffic," said Caroline Mulroney, Minister of Transportation.

'What the community was looking for': New Tecumseth dropping speed limits on rural roads

Simcoe.com

Lead-foot drivers who treat rural roads as express routes to reach the main highways are going to have to change their habits really soon.

3.6-Million Investment Creates 6.7 Kilometres of New Cycling Trails - City Of Windsor

City Of Windsor

The Rhodes Drive trail adds nearly 4 kilometres of active transportation infrastructure to make cycling safer and more convenient in industrial ...

Prince Edward County OPP officer honoured for stellar traffic enforcement - Kingston | Globalnews.ca

Global News

Const. Tony Merrall of Prince Edward County OPP has been recognized with a prestigious award for his work in traffic safety.

Guelph Transit proposing switch to grid system

Guelph Today

Guelph Transit riders may soon see some major changes. City staff is recommending a shift away from the central hub system to a grid structure, ...

#ItCanWaitHalton – Distracted Driving Campaign Returns - Oakville News

Oakville News

Distracted driving is an ongoing public safety concern. It is an illegal choice that puts every single road user at risk, including other ...

[East Ferris keeps active with new transportation plan - Toronto Star](#)

Toronto Star

East Ferris aims to increase and promote active transportation—jogging, cycling, walking—and are seeking public input as to how this vision can ...

[Two crosswalks approved near hospital and schools in Renfrew](#)

myFM RENFREW

The first pedestrian crossing would be at the intersection of Bruce Street at Raglan Street North near the Renfrew Victoria Hospital. The other ...

[City opts to remove three crossing guard locations - Orillia News - OrilliaMatters.com](#)

OrilliaMatters.com

Lack of use, lack of guards prompt elimination of crossings in Orillia; 'I really don't think there is much more we can do at this point,' says ...

[Welland council approves increasing parking fines | wellandtribune.ca](#)

Welland Tribune

A report by senior bylaw enforcement officer James Cronshaw said the increase should see the city take in an additional \$38,000 in revenue in 2022 ...

[New transit advocacy group in Windsor hopes to drive change | CBC News](#)

CBC.ca

Activate Transit Windsor Essex has launched a survey on transit.

Council pumps brakes on lowering speed limits, defers decision - Orillia Matters

Orillia Matters

Moving to lower speed limit would cost \$635000, plus annual maintenance expenses; city staff say money would be 'better spent' on traffic-calming ...

Quieting noise, slowing speeders remains concerning for Barrie councillor - Barrie News

Barrie Today

Last summer, city council instructed staff to investigate reducing the speed limit to 30 kilometres an hour on Lakeshore Drive, between Simcoe and ...

Councillor wants downtown parking rules in Sudbury eased

Sudbury Star

In an effort to bolster downtown businesses, Ward 4 Coun. Geoff McCausland wants to see parking restrictions lifted for afternoon and early ...

Ontario names Timmins as site for passenger train terminal

Timmins Today

Minister of Transportation Caroline Mulroney made the announcement on social media Thursday after the province released its 2021 Ontario Economic ...

Scugog earmarks \$300K for 3 new crosswalks - Durham Region News

Durham Region News

8 report, which was penned by Carol Coleman, Scugog's director of public works and infrastructure, township representatives met with MTO officials ...

Key Port Perry intersections staffed after Scugog hires crossing guards - Durham Region News

Durham Region News

Crossing guards have returned to two key Port Perry intersections after Scugog recruited help following months of searching.

JOB POSTINGS

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

Employer: Regional Municipality of Durham

Closing Date: January 3, 2022

This position liaises between the Project Manager and technical disciplines to provide professional engineering and project management services for the Traffic Engineering and Operations Division through planning, coordination, approval and contract management of traffic signal, street lighting and intersection design, road safety, development, modernization and intelligent transportation system projects in support of the Region's Capital Road Program and various Regional or recoverable operating accounts, including external projects.

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

Employer: City of Toronto

Closing Date: December 21, 2021

Transportation Service's is seeking to fill Project Lead positions across the Division. In these positions, you will 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 Transportation Services, with other City Divisions, external partners and the public at the forefront of the conceptualization, design and implementation of street and other multi-modal transportation infrastructure. You will also lead or support the completion of complex, multidisciplinary engineering, planning and streetscaping studies, and support the advancement of process innovations. This position requires that you are savvy with design software and data analysis, and print/digital graphic communications necessary for planning, consultation and tracking of data. There are currently four (4) vacancies.

Position: [Transport Modelling Technologist](#) (click for full posting) **APPLY HERE!**

Employer: City of Mississauga

Closing Date: December 23, 2021

The successful candidate will report to the Supervisor, Traffic Systems and Intelligent Transportation Systems and be responsible for:

- Capacity and traffic analysis for individual intersections and corridors
- Review Traffic Management Plans for construction staging
- Review Traffic Impact Studies
- Use software packages including Synchro, SimTraffic, VISSIM, HCM and MS Office (Excel, Access, Word, PowerPoint, Outlook)
- Experience using MS SQL Database to export data and create ad hoc reports
- Complete work using traffic engineering principles and Ontario Traffic Manuals (or other relevant reference materials)
- Attend Public Open Houses and Stakeholder meetings to listen to concerns and convey technical information
- Undertake work such as site investigations and traffic data collections
- Assist technical staff with additional duties as assigned
- Establish and maintain good working relationships and communication with internal and external colleagues

Position: [Analyst, Parking Operations and Strategic Planning](#) (click for full posting)

Employer: City of Barrie

Closing Date: January 9, 2022

The Transit and Parking Strategy Department strives to provide customer focused, efficient, reliable and affordable public transportation and parking services that link people, workplaces and the community and promotes economic development within the City of Barrie. Under the general guidance and direction of the Supervisor of Parking Operations, the Analyst, Parking Operations and Strategic Planning position is responsible for contributing to key strategic parking initiatives to assist with the short and long term planning and improvement of paid parking services within the City of Barrie.

Specifically, this position conducts research, collects and presents operational data, reconciles revenue, and performs financial, systems, and data analysis to update parking strategies, policies, enhance parking technologies, improve functionality, increase operational efficiencies, maintain department revenue, and increase customer satisfaction. Additionally, this position collaborates with internal partners and external community groups in the development of an updated Parking strategy and makes recommendations on how to improve parking operations and achieve financial sustainability. Overall, this position plays an integral role in providing customer

focused, efficient, and reliable parking service to the community that supports transportation diversity, a vibrant downtown, and financially sustainable parking rate within the City of Barrie.

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