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(Please note: Many of the news articles cited below are only available on-line for a limited time. It may be necessary to search archives. Some articles may be from sources requiring a free registration)

The following links to articles and items of interest are provided for your quick review. We trust you will find them useful.

CHICAGO BELIEVES TRAFFIC IS READY FOR REFORM

City may take some high-tech tips from Houston, Los Angeles.

Link to story in the *Chicago Tribune*:

<http://www.chicagotribune.com/technology/chi-0503060267mar06,1,4154979.story?coll=chi-technology-hed>

TRANSPORTATION THINKERS DEBATE HIGH-TECH FIXES

Link to story in the *Puget Sound Business Journal*:

<http://seattle.bizjournals.com/seattle/stories/2005/03/07/editorial3.html>

PERFECT WAKE UP CALL FOR COMMUTERS

Microsoft has revealed an intelligent alarm clock that can check traffic reports throughout the night.

Link to story in the *Evening Standard*:

<http://www.thisislondon.co.uk/news/articles/17090459?source=Evening%20Standard>

ELECTRONIC SIGNS TO GIVE TRAFFIC UPDATES IN BAY AREA TRIAL RUN

Link to story in the *San Jose Mercury News*:

<http://www.mercurynews.com/mld/mercurynews/news/local/11079503.htm>

MAINE TURNPIKE SEEING MORE DRIVERS USING AUTO PAY AFTER SWITCH TO E-ZPASS

Link to story in the *Portland Press Herald*:

<http://pressherald.maintoday.com/news/state/050308turnpike.shtml>

SPEED CAMERA JAMMERS FACE BAN IN UK

Link to story on ManchesterOnline:

http://www.manchesteronline.co.uk/news/s/150/150439_speed_camera_jammers_face_ban.html

NOVA SCOTIA PLACES MORE HIGHWAY CAMERAS ONLINE

<http://www.gov.ns.ca/news/details.asp?id=20050303005>

TRAFFIC PULSE CHOSEN BY THE WEATHER CHANNEL TO DELIVER LIVE TRAFFIC CONDITIONS TO MILLIONS

http://biz.yahoo.com/prnews/050308/cltu059_1.html

ITS CANADA ANNUAL CONFERENCE AND GENERAL MEETING 2005 - MAY 15-17 - QUEBEC CITY, QUEBEC

<http://www.itscanada.ca/quebec2005/>

HIGHWAY INFO MERGES WITH INFO HIGHWAY

The Colorado Department of Transportation is banking that it can use technology to help commuters outsmart everyday traffic congestion.

Link to story in *The Denver Post*:

<http://www.denverpost.com/Stories/0,1413,36~53~2751967,00.html>

STOP AND SLOW

Downtown Salina, Kansas businesses oppose coordinated traffic signals.

Link to story in the *Salina Journal*:

http://www.saljournal.com/content/2-0-/module/displaystory/story_id/4795/format/html/displaystory.html

POWERFUL TOOL CRUNCHES COMMUTES - SOFTWARE CRAFTS ALTERNATE ROUTES FOR TROUBLED COMMUTERS, PREDICTS BEST TIME TO HIT THE ROAD.

http://www.nsf.gov/news/news_summ.jsp?cntn_id=103087&org=olpa&from=news

CAMERAS, SENSORS TO RUN 2,818 INTERSECTIONS IN CHICAGO

Link to story in the *Chicago Sun-Times*:

<http://www.suntimes.com/output/news/cst-nws-traffic10.html>

END OF THE ROAD?

It could be the end of the road for some speed camera detectors, with a ban expected next year. But could their use just be driven underground?

Link to story from BBC News:

http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/uk_news/magazine/4333671.stm

DIAL-A-CAB PILOT PLAN HAILED

Pilot program would allow riders to hail nearest cab via their cell phones.

Link to story in the *Daily News*:

<http://www.nydailynews.com/boroughs/story/288366p-246855c.html>

CENTER FOR TRANSPORTATION STUDIES SIXTEENTH ANNUAL TRANSPORTATION RESEARCH CONFERENCE - April 26-27 - St. Paul, Minnesota

<http://www.cts.umn.edu/events/rescon/index.html>

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