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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.

MORE FUNDING FOR NATIONAL SAFETY CODE IN CANADA

<http://www.tc.gc.ca/mediaroom/releases/nat/2005/05-h030e.htm>

REMARKS BY FHWA ADMINISTRATOR MARY PETERS TO ITE 2005 TECHNICAL CONFERENCE AND EXHIBIT - "TAKING OPERATIONS TO THE NEXT LEVEL"

Link to remarks from the Federal Highway Administration:

<http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/pressroom/re050228.htm>

WICHITA TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM TO GET AMBITIOUS TECHNOLOGICAL MAKEOVER

Link to story in *The Wichita Eagle*:

<http://www.kansas.com/mld/kansas/news/local/11107017.htm>

T3 TRAINING SESSION (WEBCAST): FEDERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR REGIONAL ITS ARCHITECTURES - MARCH 30

Link to further information from US Department of Transportation's ITS Professional Capacity Building Program:

<http://www.pcb.its.dot.gov/T3/T3session23.htm>

ITS STANDARDS NEWS FOR MARCH 2005

Link to further information in the *ITE Journal*:

http://www.ntoctalks.com/ite/itestds_mar05.pdf

NEW CONCERN FOR PEDESTRIAN SAFETY IN HAWAII

Police say education and legislation are key to making drivers more aware of people walking the streets.

Link to story in *The Honolulu Advertiser*:

<http://the.honoluluadvertiser.com/article/2005/Mar/11/ln/ln06p.html>

KEEPING OUR EYES ON THE ROAD

Canadian regulators hope to take focus away from an ever growing number of distractions.

Link to story in the *Ottawa Citizen*:

<http://www.canada.com/ottawa/ottawacitizen/news/driving/story.html?id=5a0443b9-620c-4bd8-8cc5-6752cd637a4a>

WASHINGTON STATE TO DISTRIBUTE LIFE-SAVING REFLECTORS TO STUDENTS

http://www.expressseek.com/addpr/show_details.php?id=1470

APTA BUS AND PARATRANSIT CONFERENCE - MAY 15-18 - COLUMBUS, OHIO

https://www.apta.com/conferences_calendar/bus/online_05.cfm

BUSTING UP GRIDLOCK

Florida agencies look at ways to reduce delays through traffic management.

Link to story in the *Sarasota Herald-Tribune*:

<http://www.heraldtribune.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/20050314/NEWS/503140619/1006/SPORTS>

REAL-TIME ARMOR FOR THE ROAD WARRIOR

Real-time traffic-data services are available to guide commuters.

Link to story in *The Washington Post*:

<http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/articles/A28927-2005Mar12.html>

FLORIDA COUNTIES CONSIDER COOPERATION IN BATTLE WITH TRAFFIC

Link to story in the *Sarasota Herald-Tribune*:

<http://www.heraldtribune.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/20050316/NEWS/503160602/1060>

VOTERS IN NEW HAMPSHIRE TOWNS PULL PLUG ON NEW ELECTRONIC SIGNS AT BUSINESSES

Displays claimed to be distracting to drivers. Sign maker disputes claim saying state highway departments use such signs.

Link to story in *The Boston Globe*:

http://www.boston.com/news/local/articles/2005/03/17/voters_pull_plug_on_new_electronic_signs/

SOUTH CAROLINA OFFICIALS BETTER PREPARED AFTER BUSY HURRICANE SEASON

Plan to add 14 traffic cameras along several highways on the coast to monitor traffic and improve evacuations.

Link to Associated Press story via *The State*:

<http://www.thestate.com/mld/thestate/11157435.htm>

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