

# METRANS on the Move: our weekly newsletter written and produced by students



### In the News

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### **Griffith Road Closures are Latest Chapter in LA's Vision Zero Effort**

The City of Los Angeles closed a stretch of Griffith Park Drive between Travel Town and Mt. Hollywood Drive to vehicle traffic last week. The move came partially in response to a fatal hit-and-run accident along nearby Crystal Springs Drive in April which killed a cyclist.

Read more here.



### Urban flooding presents challenges for electric vehicle charging stations

Under newly proposed federal regulations published in the Federal Register on June 22, the Federal Highway Administration would require that charging networks funded under the National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Formula Program consider the risks of locating chargers in areas subject to 100-year floods.

Read the SMARTCITIESDIVE feature here.





The June 29-30 hearing was intended to solicit input to help the agency decide whether to approve a waiver allowing the California Air Resources Board to proceed with three aggressive regulations that have not been well received by many in the trucking industry.

Read the Transport Topics feature here.



#### **Cities Seek Alternatives to Gas Tax Holidays**

Over the Fourth of July weekend, many US residents will celebrate with a classic American tradition: driving around. The American Automobile Association predicts a record 42 million people will travel 50 miles or more by car, even with gas prices nearing \$5 gallon on average.

Read the Bloomberg CityLab feature <u>here.</u>

### Webinars & Online Events

### Webinar: Roadside Fire Risk and Prevention Strategies Thursday, July 7th at 9:30 am PDT/12:30 pm EDT, hosted by TRB

Cigarette butts, sparking chains, and vehicle mechanical failure all pose roadside fire risks. But you can help prevent those fires. TRB will host a webinar on Thursday, July 7, 2022 from 12:30 – 2:00 PM Eastern that will summarize vegetation management strategies to reduce or potentially eliminate fires starting in the roadside. Chemical, mechanical, and manual methods can all maximize vegetation control for reducing fire risks. Presenters will also examine how to balance stormwater-treatment strategies with fire management strategies.

More Info

Webinar: Innovation Roadmaps for Freight Transportation in Europe

Friday, July 8th at 9:00 am PDT, hosted by ITS-Irvine

Speaker: Lori Tavasszy, Professor, TU Delft.

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#### **Current Electric Vehicle Conference**

#### Saturday, July 16th at 8:30 am PDT (in-person), hosted by Current

"Current" will once again bring together leading voices from car manufacturers, technology companies and regulatory agencies for panel discussions, fireside chats, and ride and drives on one of the biggest technological, economic and social changes facing the US and the world in the coming years. The conference will be held at the Petersen Automotive Museum in Los Angeles on July 16, 2022.

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### Webinar: Strings Attached—Permissible Uses of Airport Property and Revenue Tuesday, July 26th at 10:30 am PDT/1:30 pm EDT, hosted by TRB

Understanding the permissible use of airport revenue is one of the most common legal issues faced by airport management. This is especially true for use of revenue related to real estate development of airport property. TRB will host a webinar on Tuesday, July 26, 2022 from 1:30 – 3:00 PM Eastern that will explore the legal principles governing the generation and use of revenue from real estate development on the airport, and the approvals required for such development. Presenters will also examine the nexus between property use and regulations. Presenters will provide a map for airport management to aid in decision-making when considering the use of airport property for non-aeronautical and revenue generation purposes.

**More Info** 

### Webinar: Integrating Performance, Asset, and Risk Management is Value-Add Tuesday, August 23rd at 10:30 am PDT/1:30 pm EDT, hosted by TRB

Research and practice in the areas of transportation performance, risk, and asset management have added to transportation planning tools, methods, and strategies. Integrating these changes into historically-siloed management practices requires the earnest focus of an entire organization, including participation of practically every individual. TRB will host a webinar on Tuesday, August 23, 2022 from 1:30 – 3:00 p.m. Eastern that will offer suggestions on building a roadmap for integrated management within their agency. The tactical and strategic roadmap includes steps for organizational structure, change management and communication to enterprise systems, qualitative/quantitative analysis, build resiliency, and data governance.

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### 2022 People of Action Summit on Green Transportation and Clean Energy Saturday, September 10th at 8:00 am PDT (hybrid), hosted by MTI

Join Rotarians, community members, and industry experts in-person in San Jose, California – or online – on September 10, 2022 for new insights on green transportation and clean energy.

Participate in presentations, discussions and demonstrations regarding present and future green transportation and alternate fuel solutions to create healthier, more sustainable communities, and mitigate the climate crisis from the perspective of policy, technology, practice, and equity. You'll be inspired to take action to amplify Rotary's support for our environment!

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### Transport and the Triple Bottom Line Summit 2022: Transit Lessons Learned from the Pandemic

#### Friday, September 23rd at 10:00 am PDT (online), hosted by MTI

The Transport and the Triple Bottom Line Summit seeks to explore the concept of 'sustainable transport,' leaving attendees with a fuller understanding, and most importantly, a definition for the term. Panelists and speakers include an array of national experts, practitioners, and scholars on social equity and transport, the environmental impact of transport, financial mechanisms for secure and continuous operations, as well as, decision-makers currently involved in California's notable public-private partnerships.

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## Implementation of Action 6 of CSFAP Phase 2a Tracking Economic Competitiveness

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