

# ITS CALIFORNIA NEWSLETTER

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Highlights of our *January Newsletter* include:

- Burbank Airport Hopes for New Terminal in Early 2020s
  - New Law Requires Bicyclists to Pull Over When Traffic Backs Up
  - Innovative Toll Crossing Planned for East Otay
  - Governor's Transportation Budget May Hit Bumpy Roads in Sacramento
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## Top Story

### **San Francisco Bracing for Super Bowl Crowds, Traffic**

Link to AP article

[http://www.mercurynews.com/san-francisco/ci\\_29404056/san-francisco-bracing-super-bowl-crowds-traffic](http://www.mercurynews.com/san-francisco/ci_29404056/san-francisco-bracing-super-bowl-crowds-traffic)

## **AVIATION**

### **Burbank Airport Hopes for New Terminal in Early 2020s**

Link to Santa Clarita Valley Signal article

<http://www.signalscv.com/section/24/article/146781/>

### **Ontario Airport: Transfer from LA Could be Completed by July**

Link to Press-Enterprise article

<http://www.pe.com/articles/airport-791422-angeles-agreement.html>

### **FAA: 1,200 Private Jets Expected to Touchdown in Bay Area for Super Bowl Week**

Link to KNTV-TV story

<http://www.nbcbayarea.com/news/local/1200-Private-Jets-Expected-to-Touchdown-in-Bay-Area-for-Super-Bowl-FAA-364472901.html>

### **Stanford Lab Developing Small UAS Traffic Management Solution**

Link to UAS Magazine article

<http://uasmagazine.com/articles/1389/stanford-lab-developing-small-uas-traffic-management-solution>

## **BICYCLES / PEDESTRIANS**

### **New Law Requires Bicyclists to Pull Over When Traffic Backs Up**

Link to Press Democrat article

<http://www.pressdemocrat.com/news/4972374-181/new-law-requires-bicyclists-to>

### **Federal Judge Turns Back Fresno Opponents of Plans to Reopen Fulton Mall to Vehicles**

Link to Fresno Bee article

<http://www.fresnobee.com/news/local/article54579095.html>

### **San Francisco Finishes Upgrades to Improve Bicycle, Pedestrian Safety**

Link to Transportation Infrastructure News Daily article

<http://tinewsdaily.com/stories/510657709-s-f-finishes-upgrades-to-improve-bicycle-pedestrian->

[safety](#)

### **Expanded Sacramento Bike Bait Program Hopes to Catch More than Just Bike Thefts**

Link to KCRA-TV story

<http://www.kcra.com/news/expanded-bike-bait-program-hopes-to-catch-more-than-just-bike-thefts/37438874>

### **Could Open Data Increase Bikeshare Use?**

Link to Shared-Use Mobility Center article

<http://sharedusemobilitycenter.org/news/could-open-data-increase-bikeshare-use/>

## **CAMERAS**

### **BART Killing Exposes Security Gap – Many Train Cameras Are Decoys**

Link to San Francisco Examiner article

<http://www.sfgate.com/crime/article/BART-killing-exposes-security-gap-many-train-6757514.php>

### **Some Express Concern on Muni-Installed Cameras in San Francisco**

Link to SF Weekly article

<http://www.sfweekly.com/sanfrancisco/news-super-bowl-surveillance-security-privacy-muni-super-bowl-city-sfmta/Content?oid=4404820>

## **CARTOGRAPHY**

### **Los Angeles Launches El Niño Map to Aid Citizens as Storms Hit**

Link to Emergency Management article

<http://www.emergencymgmt.com/disaster/El-Nino-Map.html>

### **TomTom Delivers Highly Automated Driving Maps for All Interstate Roads in California and Michigan**

Link to news release

<http://corporate.tomtom.com/releasedetail.cfm?ReleaseID=948890>

## **ELECTRONIC TOLLING**

### **Innovative Toll Crossing Planned for East Otay**

Link to San Diego Union-Tribune article

<http://www.sandiegouniontribune.com/news/2015/dec/26/east-otay-port-entry-border-innovative-crossing/>

## **FUNDING**

### **Governor's Transportation Budget May Hit Bumpy Roads in Sacramento**

Link to KNSD-TV story

<http://www.nbcsandiego.com/news/local/Gov-Browns-Transportation-Budget-May-Hit-Bumpy-Roads-in-Sacramento-364598811.html>

### **State Faces Road Funding Crisis, Executive Director of California Transportation Commission**

Link to Press-Enterprise article

<http://www.pe.com/articles/transportation-791762-road-tax.html>

### **Repairing California's Bumpy Roads**

Link to Capitol Weekly article

<http://capitolweekly.net/roads-california-fix-funding-potholes-crumbling-brown/>

### **Poll Shows Enough Support for Merced County Half-Cent Transportation Tax**

Link to Merced Sun-Star article

<http://www.mercedsunstar.com/news/local/article51417300.html>

### **Caltrans Seeking 5,000 Volunteers for Road Charge Pilot**

Link to news release

<http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/paffairs/news/pressrel/2016/16pr003.htm>

## **MARITIME**

### **\$1.2 Billion Approved for Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach**

Link to Daily Breeze article

<http://www.dailybreeze.com/business/20151218/12-billion-approved-for-ports-of-los-angeles-and-long-beach>

### **Mega Ships Bring Benefits and Challenges to Ports of LA and Long Beach**

Link to Los Angeles Times article

<http://www.latimes.com/business/la-fi-mega-ships-20160101-story.html>

### **Port of San Diego Hopes to Cash In on Aquaculture Opportunities**

Link to The Log article

<http://www.thelog.com/Article/Port-of-San-Diego-hopes-to-cash-in-on-aquaculture-opportunities>

## **OTHER**

### **California's 85,000 Green Carpool Stickers Are All Gone**

Link to San Jose Mercury News article

[http://www.mercurynews.com/bay-area-news/ci\\_29295327/california-green-carpool-stickers-all-gone](http://www.mercurynews.com/bay-area-news/ci_29295327/california-green-carpool-stickers-all-gone)

### **Super Bowl 50: Public Transportation and Parking Plans**

Link to KRON-TV story

<http://kron4.com/2015/12/29/super-bowl-50-public-transportation-and-parking-plans/>

### **Assembly Bill Would Require Caltrans to Keep Inventory of All Fiber Optic Lines and Make Information Available to Public**

Link to Willits News article

<http://www.willitsnews.com/general-news/20160108/assemblyman-wood-moving-forward-with-telecommunication-and-marijuana-bills>

### **Bridge Seen as Key to Mountain Lion Survival Near Los Angeles**

Link to Marketplace story

<http://www.marketplace.org/2016/01/01/sustainability/bridge-seen-key-mountain-lion-survival-near-la>

### **Here Are the 10 Worst Commutes in the Bay Area**

Link to San Francisco Business Times article

<http://www.bizjournals.com/sanfrancisco/blog/2015/12/here-are-the-10-worst-commutes-in-the-bay-area-mtc.html>

### **Eight Bay Area Traffic Reduction Policies, Ranked**

Link to CityLab blog

<http://www.citylab.com/commute/2015/12/8-bay-area-traffic-reduction-policies-ranked/422112/>

### **Welcome to the Metastructure: The New Internet of Transportation**

Link to Wired blog

<http://www.wired.com/2016/01/the-metastructure-transportation/>

**2016 Predictions: Marcie Kahbody, Agency CIO, California Transportation Agency**

Link to TechWire commentary

<http://www.techwire.net/commentary/2016-predictions-marcie-kahbody-agency-cio-california-transportation-agency.html>

**Hyperloop Transportation Technologies Breaks Ground**

Link to TechCrunch article

<http://techcrunch.com/2016/01/19/hyperloop-transportation-technologies-breaks-ground-to-make-elon-musks-hyperloop-a-reality/#.yhspbs:26wl>

**New 2016 Traffic-Related Laws Take Effect in California**

Link to KTLA-TV story

<http://ktla.com/2015/12/27/new-laws-in-effect-for-drivers-in-2015/>

**California Streetsies: Malcolm Dougherty for Civil Servant of the Year**

Link to Streetsblog California commentary

<http://cal.streetsblog.org/2016/01/15/california-streetsies-malcolm-dougherty-for-civil-servant-of-the-year/>

**Floodcast Exercise Helps Caltrans Stay Sharp for Real-Life Crises**

Link to news release

<http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/paffairs/news/pressrel/2015/15pr131.htm>

**MTC Seeks Nominations for Transportation Awards Program**

Link to news release

<http://mtc.ca.gov/whats-happening/news/mtc-seeks-nominations-transportation-awards-program-2>

**Mobility 21 Update – December 2015**

Link to update

[http://wfc2.wiredforchange.com/o/8721/t/0/blastContent.jsp?email\\_blast\\_KEY=45038](http://wfc2.wiredforchange.com/o/8721/t/0/blastContent.jsp?email_blast_KEY=45038)

**PARKING**

**Bay Area Parking Woes Getting High- and Low-Tech Fixes**

Link to Daily Democrat article

<http://www.dailydemocrat.com/article/zz/20151228/NEWS/151226455>

**Sacramento's 'Man on the Spot' Preps for Downtown Arena Opening**

Link to Sacramento Bee article

<http://www.sacbee.com/news/local/transportation/back-seat-driver/article52829615.html>

**San Francisco Bumps Parking Meter Fees by 25 Cents**

Link to SFBAY article

<http://sfbay.ca/2016/01/06/sf-bumps-parking-meter-fees-by-25-cents/>

**Caltrans Buys Large Chuck of Strawberry Fields in Encinitas**

Link to Encinitas Advocate article

<http://www.encinitasadvocate.com/news/2016/jan/06/caltrans-buys-strawberry-fields/>

**Mapped: All 200 Square Miles of Parking in LA County, as One Giant Parking Lot**

Link to Better Institutions blog

<http://www.betterinstitutions.com/blog/2016/1/2/map-a-parking-lot-with-all-of-la-countys-186-million-parking-spaces>

## PLANNING

### Facebook to Give \$1 Million for Bay Area Transportation Study

Link to KGO-TV story

[http://abc7news.com/traffic/facebook-to-give-\\$1-million-for-bay-area-transportation-study/1150871/](http://abc7news.com/traffic/facebook-to-give-$1-million-for-bay-area-transportation-study/1150871/)

## RAILROADS

### ARTIC Study Finds Environmental Benefit of Hub

Link to Orange County Register article

<http://www.ocregister.com/articles/artic-697677-city-transit.html>

### Officials Recommend \$350 Million Bid for High-Speed Rail

Link to AP article

<http://www.sfgate.com/news/article/Officials-recommend-350-million-bid-for-6738788.php>

### Burbank Will Receive \$800,000 to Study Proposed High-Speed Rail Station

Link to Los Angeles Times article

<http://www.latimes.com/local/lanow/la-me-ln-burbank-station-funds-20160114-story.html>

## ROADWAYS

### Traffic Interview: Caltrans' Director Malcolm Dougherty

Link to Traffic Technology International article

<http://viewer.zmags.com/publication/5c174a27#/5c174a27/18>

### Traffic Signals Get Smart in Carlsbad

Link to San Diego Union-Tribune article

<http://www.sandiegouniontribune.com/news/2016/jan/04/traffic-signals-get-smart-in-carlsbad/>

### Freeway Rehab Project Between Fairfield and Benicia is Done, Caltrans Says

Link to Times-Herald article

<http://www.timesheraldonline.com/article/NH/20160106/NEWS/160109918>

### Why All of Our Roads Are So Bad

Link to Marketplace Weekend story

<http://www.marketplace.org/2016/01/15/economy/local-money-why-all-our-roads-are-so-bad>

### Golden Gate Bridge Barrier a Success, Except for the Speeding

Link to San Francisco Chronicle article

<http://www.sfchronicle.com/bayarea/article/Golden-Gate-Bridge-barrier-a-success-except-6762734.php>

### Golden Gate Bridge to Drone Operators: Buzz Off

Link to Marin Independent Journal article

<http://www.marinij.com/technology/20151221/golden-gate-bridge-to-drone-operators-buzz-off>

## SAFETY / SECURITY

### Caltrans' Retro-Reflective Signs Increase Safety, Reduce Costs

Link to Caltrans' video

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=za\\_thqHA92I](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=za_thqHA92I)

## TAXIS / RIDESHARING

### **California Approves Flywheel, the App That Makes Taxis Work Like Uber**

Link to The Verge article

<http://www.theverge.com/2015/12/22/10647506/flywheel-california-taxiOS-taxi-uber>

### **Lift-Off for Shared-Ride Company Lyft at Los Angeles International Airport**

Link to Airport World article

<http://www.airport-world.com/news/general-news/5349-lift-off-for-shared-ride-company-lyft-at-los-angeles-international-airport.html>

### **Lyft and Uber Drivers Face New Parking Rules at Bob Hope Airport**

Link to Burbank Leader article

<http://www.latimes.com/socal/burbank-leader/news/tn-blr-lyft-and-uber-drivers-face-new-parking-rules-at-bob-hope-airport-20160112-story.html>

## **TRANSIT**

### **Bay Area Transit Agencies Prepare for Super Bowl L**

Link to KGO-TV story

<http://abc7news.com/traffic/bay-area-transit-agencies-prepare-for-super-bowl/1150874/>

### **South Bay Experiments with On-Demand Public Transit**

Link to KGO-TV story

<http://abc7news.com/traffic/south-bay-experiments-with-on-demand-public-transit/1159799/>

### **Closing 2.8-Mile Transit Gap in Norwalk Could Smooth Regional Commute**

Link to Los Angeles Times article

<http://www.latimes.com/local/california/la-me-transit-gap-20160110-story.html>

### **Sacramento Activists Urge Transit Agency to Cut Ties to Security Firm**

Link to Sacramento Bee article

<http://www.masstransitmag.com/news/12153999/sacramento-activists-urge-transit-agency-to-cut-ties-to-security-firm>

### **Metrolink Offers Cheaper Fares in 2016**

Link to Progressive Railroading article

[http://www.progressiverailroading.com/passenger\\_rail/news/Metrolink-to-introduce-cheaper-fares-in-2016--46845](http://www.progressiverailroading.com/passenger_rail/news/Metrolink-to-introduce-cheaper-fares-in-2016--46845)

### **After Long Delays, San Francisco's Transbay Transit Center Retail Plans Creep Forward**

Link to San Francisco Business Times article

<http://www.bizjournals.com/sanfrancisco/blog/real-estate/2016/01/sf-transbay-transit-center-retail-restaurants.html>

### **Visalia Transit Service to Add CNG Buses**

Link to Visalia Times-Delta article

<http://www.visaliatimesdelta.com/story/news/local/2016/01/04/visalia-transit-service-add-cng-buses/78288106/>

### **Los Angeles Metro Debuts Videos to Encourage People with Disabilities to Ride**

Link to Progressive Railroading article

[http://www.progressiverailroading.com/passenger\\_rail/news/LA-Metro-debuts-videos-to-encourage-people-with-disabilities-to-ride--46821](http://www.progressiverailroading.com/passenger_rail/news/LA-Metro-debuts-videos-to-encourage-people-with-disabilities-to-ride--46821)

### **Transit Volunteers Gear Up to Make Muni Better in 2016**

Link to Streetsblog San Francisco article

<http://sf.streetsblog.org/2016/01/06/transit-volunteers-gear-up-to-make-muni-better-in-2016/>

**The Silicon Valley Agency Launching its Own Microtransit Service**

Link to Shared-Use Mobility Center article

<http://sharedusemobilitycenter.org/uncategorized/the-silicon-valley-agency-launching-its-own-microtransit-service/>

**BART's New Train Signs Outshine Old Ones**

Link to San Jose Mercury News article

[http://www.mercurynews.com/news/ci\\_29356676/barts-new-train-signs-outshine-old-ones](http://www.mercurynews.com/news/ci_29356676/barts-new-train-signs-outshine-old-ones)

**San Diego MTS to Fine Riders for Refusing to Give Up Priority Seating**

Link to Progressive Railroading article

[http://www.progressiverailroading.com/passenger\\_rail/news/San-Diego-MTS-to-fine-riders-for-refusing-to-give-up-priority-seating--47035](http://www.progressiverailroading.com/passenger_rail/news/San-Diego-MTS-to-fine-riders-for-refusing-to-give-up-priority-seating--47035)

**Sacramento Regional Transit District Launches New Mobile Fare App**

Link to news release

<http://iportal.sacrt.com/WebApps/PressReleases/PressReleases.asp?ShowPressID=445>

**Sacramento Transit Crime Dropped in 2015, Agency Reports**

Link to Sacramento Bee article

<http://www.masstransitmag.com/news/12157342/sacramento-transit-crime-dropped-in-2015-agency-reports>

**Tiburon Peninsula Bus Riders Upset by Idea to Kill Route 8 to Fund Ferry**

Link to Marin Independent Journal article

<http://www.marinij.com/article/NO/20151227/NEWS/151229865>

**Livermore Amador Valley Transit Authority's New Wheels Website Offers Improved Transit Information for Customers**

Link to news release

<http://www.wheelsbus.com/news/wheels-new-website-offers-improved-transit-information-for-customers/>

**CEO/GM of San Joaquin Regional Transit District Selected as Woman of the Year by WTS Sacramento Chapter**

Link to news release

[http://www.masstransitmag.com/press\\_release/12159435/demartino-selected-as-wts-woman-of-the-year](http://www.masstransitmag.com/press_release/12159435/demartino-selected-as-wts-woman-of-the-year)

**TRAVELER INFORMATION / TRANSPORTATION MANAGEMENT**

**Caltrans Awarded Safety Grant to Replace Traffic Data Capturing Equipment**

Link to news release

<http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/paffairs/news/pressrel/2015/15pr132.htm>

**VEHICLES**

**Autonomous Carmakers Hand Over Data on Glitches and Failures to California DMV**

Link to Ars Technica article

<http://arstechnica.com/cars/2016/01/self-driving-car-companies-hand-over-data-on-glitches-and-failures-to-the-dmv/>

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