
The Managing Data Privacy and External Access Working Group has released an interim report, Managing Data Privacy and External Access. The demand for privacy protection and records management is an ever-expanding challenge to jurisdiction leaders, further compounded by significant leaks or breaches of federal and corporate databases and current federal and jurisdiction laws governing personally identifiable information (PII). These challenges must be met within the context of a proliferation of entities seeking driver and vehicle record data under public access laws. To address these demands, the working group is examining the issues and will identify best practices for jurisdictions to protect driver and vehicle records, provide access, authorize usage consistent with law, and apply effective and efficient approaches to internal and external audit practices. Download the interim report here.

Jurisdiction Response to COVID-19

Click here to view consolidated information and see how motor vehicle administrations are handling driver licensing and vehicle registration. This document will be updated with the most current information on our homepage.

Motor Vehicle Industry Response to COVID-19 Pandemic

Below are a selection of news articles regarding the effects of coronavirus on the motor vehicle community.

COVID-19 | NATIONAL NEWS COVERAGE

- Some Autonomous Vehicle Companies Resume Public Testing, Others Express Caution
- Freight Volume Hits All-Time Low as Coronavirus Crushes the Transportation Industry
- FMCSA Extends HOS Emergency Declaration for Second Time

The 2020 Region 1, Region 2, and Region 4 conferences are cancelled. Visit our website for the full cancelation list.

*Register for the following training sessions HERE.

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**COVID-19 | REGION 1 NEWS COVERAGE**

- Motor Vehicle Commission Expands Online Services (New Jersey)
- PennDOT to Use Existing Photos for Drivers License, Identification Card Renewals (Pennsylvania)

**COVID-19 | REGION 2 NEWS COVERAGE**

- Plans Being Finalized to Reopen Driver License Offices in Alabama
- Kemp Clarifies Coronavirus Rule on Road Tests Driver's License Requirement (Georgia)
- DMV Extends Driver License, Vehicle Registration Expiration Dates (North Carolina)
- SC DMV Reopens Offices 5 Days a Week After Closing Due to the Coronavirus (South Carolina)
- Virginia DMV Centers To Reopen In Phases By Appointment

**COVID-19 | REGION 3 NEWS COVERAGE**

- Don't Worry About Getting Stuck With Expired License Plate Sticker, Officials Say (Illinois)
- Kansas Driver’s License Offices Begin to Reopen
- Class 1 Road Tests Resume in Manitoba Next Week
- Local DMVs Get Creative to Stay Operational During Coronavirus Crisis (Minnesota)
- NDDOT Begins Smart Restart With Phased Reopening (North Dakota)
- 'Back to Normal' Plan Starts May 18 (South Dakota)

**COVID-19 | REGION 4 NEWS COVERAGE**

- DMV Expands Virtual Field Office Services During Pandemic (California)
- DMV Makes Shifts During Pandemic (Nevada)
- WYDOT Resumes Driver License Tests at Certain Offices (Wyoming)

Visit [cdc.gov](https://www.cdc.gov) for more information on COVID-19, guidance, press releases, press kits, and more.

**REGION 1 NEWS**

**May Is Motorcycle Safety and Awareness Month in Maryland**

May is Motorcycle Safety and Awareness Month in Maryland. The Maryland Department of Transportation is reminding people to share the road. The department’s administrator says that traffic has gone down with the stay at home order being put in place. However, the number of crashes involving motorcycles hasn’t significantly dropped. “Traffic has gone down with the stay at home order and everybody is focused on public health, but even though traffic's gone down about 45%, crashes involving motorcycles has only gone down about 11%,” said MDOT MVA administrator Chrissy Nizer. [Read more at wmdt.com](https://www.wmdt.com).

**Excessive Speeds and Devastating Effects Highlighted During Road Safety Week (Newfoundland and Labrador)**

RCMP issued 19 speeding tickets over a three-hour period yesterday on the Trans-Canada Highway in Terra Nova Nation Park even though traffic volume was low. One driver was clocked at 150 km/h in a 90 km/h zone. She was ticketed and her licence was suspended. Meanwhile, when it comes to excuses for excessive speeds on the province’s roads, Sergeant Matt Christie has heard it all. He’s with RCMP Traffic Services in Holyrood and has pulled over drivers doing speeds in excess of
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150, 160, and even 170 km/h. This is National Road Safety Week. Read more at vocm.com.

New York’s New ‘Excelsior’ License Plates Recalled Due to Manufacturing Defect

There has been a glitch in the rollout of the state’s new license plates. The new “Excelsior” plates, which were selected in a state-wide competition, had to be recalled due to a manufacturing flaw. The license plates were redesigned to make them easier to read by E-ZPass scanners. However, when they were initially produced, some of the new plates were found to be too reflective for the scanners to read. Read more at newyork.cbslocal.com.

Nova Scotia RCMP Participate in Canada Road Safety Week

Canada Road Safety Week is Tuesday, May 12 to Monday, May 18 and Nova Scotia RCMP will be out in full force to protect Nova Scotians. This annual campaign is about reducing behaviours that put all road users at risk, including alcohol-impaired driving, drug-impaired driving, distracted driving, aggressive driving and not wearing a seatbelt or wearing one incorrectly. Additionally, National Impaired Driving Enforcement Day is Saturday, May 16. Read more at halifaxtoday.ca.

OPP’s Road Safety Week Highlights Bad Driving Behaviours Ahead of Long Weekend

With Canada Road Safety Week upon us and the long weekend ahead, the OPP is cautioning driver safety throughout cottage country. The OPP says it is reporting an increase in road fatalities as well as the behaviours linked to the deaths – which is the focus of the national campaign. OPP Media Relations Coordination Sergeant Jason Folz says the campaign’s purpose is to increase public compliance with traffic laws. Read more at www.mymuskokanow.com.

Motorcycle Safety Month Observed in May (Kentucky)

In recognition of May as Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month, the Kentucky Office of Highway Safety (KOHS) joins the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) in reminding motorists and motorcyclists to “share the road” conscientiously and courteously to help prevent crashes, injuries and deaths on Kentucky roadways. Read more at pioneernews.net.

Oklahoma Moves Closer to Real ID

The Oklahoma Department of Public Safety issued about 110 REAL ID cards to employees in Oklahoma City on Wednesday in order to test the new system. Because of problems with the COVID-19 pandemic, REAL IDs have yet to be made available to Oklahomans. They were originally scheduled to be ready on April 30, but officials now say you won't be able to get one until summer. "We hope to be at least in Oklahoma City on July 1 issuing REAL IDs at a select location," REAL ID project manager Randy Rogers said. Read more at kten.com.

Ransomware Attack Takes Down Texas Court Network

The computer network serving the state’s appeals courts and judicial agencies has been shut down since a ransomware attack was discovered Friday morning. There is no indication that sensitive or personal information was compromised, and trial court networks were not affected, Office of Court Administration officials said Monday. The attack was not related to the increasing use of remote, online hearings during the coronavirus pandemic, agency officials said. Read more at statesman.com.

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**REGION 4 NEWS**

**Alcohol Accounts for Nearly One Third of Road Fatalities in Province Says MPI (Manitoba)**

“Consuming alcohol and driving is not only illegal, but it’s also a potentially fatal combination as the statistics reflect,” said Satvir Jatana, vice-president, Employee and Community Engagement, Manitoba Public Insurance. “Alcohol-related deaths are preventable. And with the news of these concerning numbers, there’s no better time for Manitobans to focus on road safety than Canada Road Safety Week (May 12-18). This annual awareness campaign focuses on behaviours that put drivers, passengers and other road users most at risk: distracted driving, impaired driving, non-seatbelt use, speeding and incidents involving vulnerable road users.” Read more at mysteinbach.ca.

**Major Andy Greenstreet and Colonel Barry Wilson of the Alaska State Troopers Retire**

On April 30th, 2020, Major Andrew Greenstreet retired from the Alaska State Troopers with more than 25 years in Alaska Law Enforcement. Major Greenstreet began his law enforcement career in September 1987 as part of the Alaska State Troopers Explorer Program. He graduated from the Department of Public Safety Training Academy in May 1994. Later that year, he was hired at the Sitka Police Department, where he worked for three years before returning home to Palmer, where he worked for the local police department for a year. In December 1998, he was hired by the Alaska State Troopers and rose through the ranks after completing some time in Kotzebue.

After 30 years of service to the State of Alaska, Colonel Barry Wilson also hung up his Stetson and retired earlier this year in January 2020. During his distinguished career, there was little Col. Wilson hadn't touched in the Division of Alaska State Troopers. He served Alaskans in many assignments including working patrol, conducting investigations, and coordinating search-and-rescues. As Director, Col. Wilson was instrumental in improving morale and expanding training.

**Alberta RCMP Shares Motorcycle Safety Month Tips**

As we welcome spring weather across the province, the Alberta RCMP reminds Albertans to minimize non-essential/recreational travel as all health orders and advice about physical distancing remain in effect. We also want to remind motorcyclists as they dust off their bikes after a long winter, to adopt safe riding behaviours that reduce the risk of collisions. Read more at eckvilleecho.com.

**Madison County Moving DMV and License Services to New Location (Idaho)**

Madison County is moving its DMV and driver’s license services into a single location. “Really, it was convenience for the community,” Sgt. Isaac Payne, spokesman for the Madison County Sheriff's Office told EastIdahoNews.com. What’s happening is … if you wanted to get your driver’s license and register your vehicle you had to essentially go to two locations, which was a little bit inconvenient for the community.” Currently, to obtain a driver’s license, you have to visit the sheriff’s office. To register a car or access other DMV services, you have to visit the county building across Main Street. Read more at eastidahonews.com.

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**OTHER NEWS**
CVSA's 2020 Operation Safe Driver Week to Go On as Scheduled July 12-18
The Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance's 2020 Operation Safe Driver Week will go on as scheduled July 12-18, the trade association representing roadside inspectors announced May 12. During the weeklong traffic enforcement safety initiative, law enforcement personnel throughout North America will be looking for drivers who are engaging in unsafe driving behaviors on the nation's roadways, CVSA said. Drivers identified displaying unsafe driving will be pulled over by law enforcement and may be issued a warning or citation. Read more at ttnews.com.

Road Safety Foundation to Develop Toolkit for Vulnerable Road Users
The toolkit aims to help councils find cost-effective highway interventions targeted at reducing fatal and serious injuries and understand the environmental benefits of introducing different traffic measures to urban areas. The funding comes from the Road Safety Trust under the theme 'innovative traffic calming and provision for vulnerable road users'. Read more at transport-network.co.uk.

Autonomous Vehicles Are Ready to Disrupt Society, Business—and You
The rise of autonomous vehicles has enormous implications for business and society. Professors William R. Kerr and Elie Ofek explore the factors influencing development and commercialization as well as future success and consumer adoption in their recent case studies cases. Read more at hbswk.hbs.edu.

ATRI Announces Its 2020 Top Research Priorities
The American Transportation Research Institute recently released its list of 2020 top research priorities. Issues range from small settlement lawsuits to vehicle miles traveled taxes. On Tuesday, May 12, ATRI's board of directors approved of its Research Advisory Committee’s top research priorities. Areas of research include workforce, infrastructure, legal and operational issues. Read more at landline.media.

32 Years After the Deadliest Drunk Driving Crash in U.S. History, We Must Continue to Fight
I can almost picture that day 32 years ago at King's Island amusement park just across the Kentucky border in Mason, Ohio. Summer in the air. The distant shrieks of delighted children, the smell of fried food, the lure of carnival games and fast rides and a new rollercoaster called the Vortex making loops against the sky. The happy exhaustion of the end of a day like that for 63 youth and four adults as they boarded a church activity bus for a three-hour ride home to Radcliff, Kentucky. And then the unfathomable way it all ended on Interstate 71 just before 11 p.m. on May 14, 1988, when a wrong-way pickup truck driver with a blood alcohol concentration three times today's legal limit crashed into that bus head-on just after it had stopped for fuel. Read more at madd.org.

@AAMVAConnection has been watching the twitter feed and decided to highlight some of the tweets here. Links are provided within most of the tweets, and we have also provided a link to each tweet as well. Note that you do not have to have an account or sign in to Twitter to view the message posts, images associated with the post, and the reach of the message (retweets, favorited, etc.).

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**CA DMV @CA_DMV | View the Tweet**

In honor of Public Service Recognition Week the @CA_DMV would like to THANK ALL of our #CADMV team members across the state. We are grateful for your hard work, dedication, & commitment: https://bit.ly/2W93vs7. #PSRWCA @CalHR_gov

**State of Connecticut DMV @CTDMV | View the Tweet**

Our newest officers were sworn in on May 1st by Commissioner Sibongile Magubane. Congratulations Christopher Callaway, Scott Sudora, Jeremy Tangarone, and John Miller!

**SCDMV @SC_DMV | View the Tweet**

When visiting any of our 66 #SCDMV branches you will notice sneeze guards in place to help stop the spread of germs. If you are looking for a #COVID19 testing site @accelerateSC has an easy to use link of the @scdhec mobile sites located across the state https://accelerate.sc.gov/testing-sites
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