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### Global Road Safety Week Focuses on Teen Seat Belt Use

In a special effort to save the lives of more teenage drivers and motor vehicle passengers, MoDOT is joining with other government agencies and traffic safety organizations around the world to celebrate Global Road Safety Week April 23-29. The campaign's primary focus is to encourage teenage drivers to buckle up and save more lives. [GRSW](#)

### Practical Design Competition Winners Chosen

Practical Design continues to return dividends to Missouri taxpayers, enabling MoDOT to provide more improvements to its sprawling system. At this year's annual conference of the Transportation Engineers Association of Missouri, some of the best examples of Practical Design were recognized with "Awards for Excellence." [Practical Design](#)

### Missouri's Long-Range Transportation Plan Available

The Missouri Advanced Planning or MAP is MoDOT's long-range transportation planning initiative. The latest edition of the Long-Range Transportation Plan is now available. [LRTP](#)

## SAFER ROADS

### Seat Belt Campaign Focuses on Pickup Truck Drivers

Buckle Up in Your Truck is the message to pickup truck drivers in Missouri and throughout the central region this May. The aggressive public awareness initiative aims to increase safety belt use among pickup truck occupants. [Trucks](#)

### Arrive Alive During Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month

As the weather warms up, more motorcyclists will be out in traffic. With the safety of motorcyclists and all drivers in mind, May is designated each year as Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month. [Motorcycle](#)

## LEADERSHIP

### Commission Changes Leadership, Gains New Member

The Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission is under new leadership. Jim Anderson of Springfield began a one-year term as chairman, while Duane Michie, Hayti, is serving as vice-chair. Anderson and Michie have both served on the commission since 2001. [MHTC](#)

## OFF THE ROAD NEWS

### Agencies Join Forces to Promote Rail Safety

Motorists may find themselves stopped at highway-rail crossings throughout the spring, summer and fall by personnel from MoDOT, the Missouri State Highway Patrol, Missouri Operation Lifesaver, local law enforcement agencies, and railroads to educate the public about rail safety. [Rail Safety](#)

### Blunt Honors Inaugural Bike Race; Proclaims Tour of Missouri Month

Gov. Matt Blunt presented Mike Weiss, Missouri president USA Cycling, with a proclamation declaring September Tour of Missouri Month in honor of Missouri's first ever statewide professional bicycle race. The first annual Tour of Missouri race is scheduled Sept. 11-16. [Bike](#)

## HAVE YOU SEEN THIS?

### Talkin' Trash in Missouri

Get the latest news about litter-prevention efforts in Missouri and the Adopt-A-Highway program in the department's newest edition of *Roadside Review*. [RR](#)

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