

Human Environment Digest

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Welcome to the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Office of Human Environment weekly email digest. This digest shares the latest information from a range of Federal and non-Federal sources, addressing transportation and its relationship to the human environment. Through this information exchange, FHWA hopes to foster dialogue at all levels and continue to further the state of the practice on these important topics.

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Bicycle/Pedestrian



"Measuring and Visualizing Multimodal Networks"

The *Pedestrian Bicycle Information Center* (PBIC) hosted a webinar titled, "[Measuring and Visualizing Multimodal Networks.](#)" *Federal Highway Administration* (FHWA) staff members presented key FHWA resources during the webinar. A recording of the webinar, as well as presentation slides, are available online.

"Analyzing the Impact of Median Treatments on Pedestrian/Bicyclist Safety"

The *Maryland State Highway Administration* (SHA) published a report titled, "[Analyzing the Impacts of Median Treatments on Pedestrian/Bicyclist Safety.](#)" The report quantifies the impact of median treatments on several high-frequency pedestrian/bicyclist crash locations identified through the Pedestrian Roadway Safety Audit Program. The report compares the effectiveness of different types of median treatments

Environmental Justice



March-April 2017 Edition of TR News

The [March-April 2017 edition of TR News](#) is now available. The newsletter of the *Transportation Research Board* (TRB) features an article on "Innovations in Freight Planning: Addressing Trade, Future Scenarios, and Environmental Justice." Some State departments of transportation (DOTs) have completed freight plans that have gone beyond statutory requirements, and select case studies illustrate procedures to prioritize projects, apply scenario planning, address environmental justice, and more.

Livability



"Connecting Active Transportation Networks in Foley, Alabama"

The *Federal Highway Administration* (FHWA) published a new case study titled, "[Connecting Active Transportation Networks in Foley, Alabama.](#)" The case study explores the quality-of-life improvements that the community members of Foley, AL, have experienced as a result of recent investments in multimodal infrastructure, including a new pedestrian bridge.

"Global Street Design Guide"

The *Global Designing Cities Initiative* published the "[Global Street Design Guide.](#)" The Guide is meant to serve as a resource for designing streets and public spaces while redefining the role of streets in a rapidly urbanizing world. The Guide includes discussions of safety, access, mobility, environmental quality, and public health.