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Seat Belts
save lives!

BUCKLE UP

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MoDOT Ready for Ol' Man Winter

MoDOT crews are once again kicking into high gear in preparation for the upcoming snow and ice season. They are busy checking and repairing equipment, stockpiling supplies and testing emergency preparedness operations to ensure motorists get where they're going safely when winter weather hits. [Winter](#)

I-70 Blanchette Missouri River Bridge Contract Awarded

The Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission has awarded a contract to complete major repair and replacement work on the 1958 westbound Interstate 70 Blanchette Bridge over the Missouri River. [Blanchette Bridge](#)

FHWA Administrator Gets Update on I-70/I-435 Interchange

Federal Highway Administrator Victor Mendez came to Kansas City Nov. 9 just in time to see the final touches made to a project that will eliminate the tightest traffic bottleneck in the metropolitan area. [FHWA](#)

Abducted Again! The Adventures of Barrel Bob Continue

In the wee hours of Oct. 29, MoDOT's work zone protector and spokesbarrel extraordinaire, Barrel Bob, was abducted from his post on Highway 54 near the Lake of the Ozarks and forced to car surf atop a PT Cruiser. [Barrel Bob](#)

Take the "A"
Train



OFF THE ROAD NEWS

Federal Funds to Fight Freight Fatigue

MoDOT has earned \$1 million in federal funding to build new truck parking spaces on the Interstate 70 corridor. By making it easier for professional drivers to find spots to rest, MoDOT expects to reduce crashes caused by driver fatigue. [Freight Fatigue](#)

RECOGNITION

Striping Leadership Team Receives National Honor

A MoDOT team has received national honors for making sure the state's highways were restriped in time for the busy summer travel months. [Striping](#)

TO THE POINT

Focus on the Road and Win A Car

You still have time to take the "Focus on the Road" pledge and enter to win a 2012 Ford Focus. Listen to Highway Safety Director Leanna Depue discuss the car giveaway, which is part of an awareness campaign to discourage distracted driving across the state. [To the Point](#)

HAVE YOU SEEN THIS?

Heidi's Story

When Missouri teen Heidi Turner took the few seconds to buckle up, it made all the difference. As her car slid on a rainy day and rolled two times, the seat belt kept her in place. When all other items in the car flew out the window, she didn't. [Heidi](#)



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