The National Resource Defense Council’s Environmental Policy Group teams up with UC Berkeley’s Transportation Sustainability Research Center to conduct a year long study on the environmental impact of the ridesourcing companies Uber and Lyft.

Nissan releases plans to upgrade the Leaf with a 60 kWh battery pack, a lighter carbon-fiber frame, and an intelligent driving system. The new battery will have a full-charge driving range of about 300 miles, an improvement from the current EPA-rated range of just over 100 miles.

Uber rolls out a new feature that allows drivers to input their destination for ride matching, along with expense tracking in the Uber Driver app. The destination feature will be tested in San Francisco before being made available in other locations.

A report on four lower-density Sun Belt cities by Rice University’s Kinder Institute for Urban Research finds bikesharing use is increasing, especially for recreational purposes and as a replacement for other modes of short-distance transportation.

Henry Ford Health System/Health Alliance Plan pledges a three-year commitment to fund a public bikesharing program in Detroit. The program is expected to launch next year with 350 bikes available at 35 stations in the city’s downtown area.

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