

# Last Week In Innovative Mobility

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## AUTOMATED VEHICLES

**Waymo is building a hub for its automated trucks near Dallas-Fort Worth, Texas.** The site is nine acres and will be the primary operation center for the automated truck fleet in Texas. Waymo is also partnering with Ryder, a rental truck company, for fleet management.



## AUTOMATED VEHICLES

**Two senators ask the Federal Trade Commission to investigate Tesla over its Autopilot and Full-Driving technology.** The senators believe that the marketing is potentially deceptive and unfair and does not fully represent the technology's capabilities. This request came two days after the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration opened a formal investigation into Tesla's Autopilot system.



## ELECTRIC VEHICLES

**General Motors (GM) recalls all Chevy Bolts models for fire risk.** Multiple fires have been started in the electric vehicles' battery packs caused by defects in the chemicals inside. GM is also asking Chevy Bolt owners to not: 1) charge the vehicles in or near their homes overnight, 2) park the vehicles in a garage when when not being charged, 3) charge the vehicles above 90%, and 4) deplete the battery below 70 miles of the remaining range.



## SHARED MICROMOBILITY

**Google Maps is offering Bird bikesharing and scooter sharing in the app.** Google Maps is also providing an estimated trip duration and price and optimized route for Bird devices. The service is only available in locations where Bird is active.



## TNCs/RIDESOURCING

**A California judge rules that Proposition 22 is unconstitutional.** Proposition 22 exempts transportation network company (TNC) and food delivery drivers from a state labor law. The judge believes that the proposition infringes on the Legislature's ability to set workplace standards and protects the economic interests of TNCs.



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