

# Last Week In Innovative Mobility

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## AUTOMATED VEHICLES

**The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) predicts 200 automated vehicle (AV) crashes annually.** The estimated AV crashes are based on the 2019 California AV crashes reported to NHTSA. NHTSA also predicts that reporting these crashes will cost approximately \$1.17 million.



## AUTOMATED VEHICLES

**Cruise and Waymo receive permits to offer AV rides to passengers in California.** According to the Department of Motor Vehicles, Cruise is approved to give fully automated rides while Waymo rides must have a human monitor behind the wheel. Waymo needs to apply for an additional permit from the California Public Utilities Company to deploy AVs without the human monitor.



## ELECTRIC VEHICLES

**Five Midwest governors sign a Memorandum of Understanding to support vehicle electrification.** The Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, and Wisconsin governors signed the "Regional Electric Vehicle for the Midwest" to support electrification. The goals include creating commercial corridors to safeguard economic security, grow jobs, reduce harmful emissions, advance innovation, and improve public health.



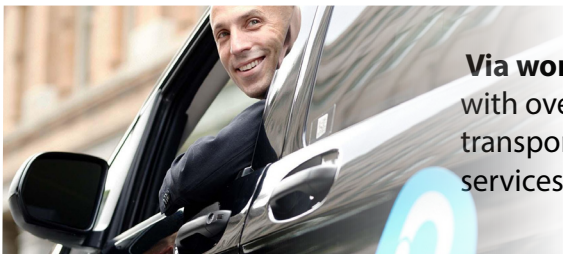
## ELECTRIC VEHICLES

**Ford Motor Company and SK, a battery manufacturer, plan to spend \$11.4 billion to build two electric vehicle campuses.** The campuses are being built in Kentucky and Tennessee and will produce batteries and the next generation of F-series trucks. The companies anticipate that the plants will create 11,000 new jobs.



## MICROTRANSIT

**Via works to improve public transportation in major cities.** Via is working with over 500 public transportation agencies in 35 countries to improve transportation services. Via offers a software platform to help with various services including on-demand van trips, route-planning, and driver scheduling.



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