

Tennessee Infrastructure In The News

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A daily roundup of recent news stories and opinion pieces about Tennessee transportation, water and flood control infrastructure

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[Big Kick-Off Coming For City's New Bus Service \(Herald-Citizen\)](#)

The Upper Cumberland Human Resource Agency is happy to announce the official kick-off for the Cookeville Area Transit System (CATS), a new fixed-route city bus system. On March 19 at the Leslie Towne Centre, officials from across area, along with UCHRA directors, staff and invited dignitaries will launch the bus system with a special event.

<http://www.herald-citizen.com/index.cfm?event=news.view&id=10BB47ED-19B9-E2E2-67F991CBCF8FBA7E>

[City Ready To Launch Major Road Projects \(Murfreesboro Post\)](#)

The recent wintry weather has created a gauntlet where local roads are concerned. Everywhere one turns, it seems like a new pothole has popped up overnight...North Thompson Lane is getting a facelift over the summer with the help from stimulus funds. Murfreesboro will resurface 2.1 miles of the road from Northwest Broad Street to Old Fort Parkway. The project will also add 4-foot bike lanes to each side of the road and connect existing sidewalks with new ones. "Because the funds are coming through TDOT, all work will be done from 9 p.m. to 6 a.m.," Balachandran said. "All construction work will be done at night." The project will take place from May to July and cost the city \$39,210 to be reimbursed by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act.

<http://www.murfreesboropost.com/city-ready-to-launch-major-road-projects-cms-22146>

[Bredesen Announces Local Airport Grants \(Jackson Sun\)](#)

Gov. Phil Bredesen announced grants this week for Gibson County Airport and Robert Sibley Airport in McNairy County. The Gibson County Airport will receive \$675,000 for a new T-hangar, according to a news release. The airport in McNairy County will get \$43,200 to design a corporate hangar. The grants are made available through the Tennessee Department of Transportation's Aeronautics Division.

<http://www.jacksonsun.com/article/20100227/NEWS01/2270309/1002/Local-briefs--Evading-arrest--airport-grants--psychology-conference--fire--Woolfork-appointment--senior-housing--art-contest>

-Across the State Line-**[Corps Set To Start Construction On River Locks, Cut Waiting Time On Water \(WREG/AP\)](#)**

Construction is scheduled to begin soon to expand Kentucky Lock near the confluence of the Ohio and Tennessee rivers in a move expected to shorten ships idle time on the water. The Paducah Sun reports that the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Nashville District will hold a public ceremony at 1 p.m. Friday to celebrate the milestone, made possible through \$40.7 million through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. The Corps awarded a construction contract to Thalle Construction of Hillsborough, N.C., on Jan. 29 for the first third of the concrete work. The work marks the first construction on the lock, about 20 miles east of Paducah, after a three-year lull.

<http://www.wreg.com/news/sns-ap-ky--riverlocks,0,2922628.story>

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