



Newsletter
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A new publication related to [CPBS research](#) by Dr. Lisa Losada-Rojas is out: [Review of the Impacts of Human Factors on Cycling: Perceptions, Workload, and Behavior](#). This paper uses the scoping review technique to shed light on the factors affecting cyclist workload and their connection to perceptions and behaviors.

The publication argues that future research should consider multiple factors simultaneously to understand their collective impact on cyclists' mental workload. The lack of specific data on cycling reactions and infrastructure underscores the need for actionable safety recommendations.

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In April, 2024 CPBS Associate Director Julia Griswold was awarded a new contract, ["Safe System Approach to Setting Speed Limits: Phase II"](#) with the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans). This research project aims to develop a context-sensitive street classification framework for speed limit setting, determine safe and appropriate speed limits, and recommend a risk assessment method, all of which will inform future speed-limit-setting in California.

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The first CPBS webinar, "[Advocating for bicycle safety: Strategies for success at local, state, and national levels](#)" was a big hit with 74 attendees! Huge thanks to Patrick at BikeABQ, Matt at Two Bikes Knoxville, Kendra at CalBike, and Ken at the League of American Bicyclists for sharing valuable insights into the different pathways to success when advocating for safer bicycle infrastructure. Click the link above to view the recording.

The UC Davis National Center for Sustainable Transportation and Georgia Tech [have developed BikewaySim](#), a trip mapping tool that helps urban planners identify safety and connection gaps in bike routes. BikewaySim can highlight potential project routes that would have the greatest impact on actual and perceived cycling safety, helping decision makers prioritize improvements in those areas over other less effective options.

CPBS partners at The University of Tennessee Knoxville have been awarded the [ITE Southern District's Best Student Chapter](#). Of course, it's no surprise that their faculty advisor is CPBS researcher Dr. Candace Brakewood. Congrats team!

UC Berkeley SafeTREC is excited to announce the launch of the new [California Traffic Safety Dashboard](#), a series of tools designed to allow users to visualize crash data and traffic safety activities in conjunction with demographics in California.

From around the web...

The Wall Street Journal: [Children Need Neighborhoods Where They Can Walk and Bike](#). It wasn't that long ago that riding bikes was how kids got to their friends' houses, to the park, to soccer practice, to school, etc. Making our streets safe for kids again is long overdue.

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Maybe this mom can help: [The Case for More 9-Year-Old Biker Gangs](#)

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Scientific American: [We Need to Make Cities Less Car-Dependent](#)

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In Albuquerque, [BikeABQ shares some thoughts](#) about regulating e-bike usage on city pathways. Like many cities, the only safe bicycle infrastructure in Albuquerque is the pathways. How can recreational and commuter usage find a balance?

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[People Hate the Idea of Car-Free Cities—Until They Live in One](#). Or, they hate the idea of car-free cities until they go on vacation in any number of European countries, Japan, or New York City.



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