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### New Video Shows How Guard Cable Saves Lives

Like a safety net, median guard cable is lining more Missouri highways and making them much safer. The steel wire ropes are credited with saving approximately 45 lives per year in Missouri. A video demonstrating how guard cable stops most vehicles from crossing a median is now available on MoDOT's YouTube site. [Cable](#)

### New State Transportation Program Lacks Funding, Presents Bleak Future

Stagnant state revenues, uncertain federal funding and no more money from Amendment 3 bonds is causing highway and bridge construction in Missouri to decrease dramatically. A proposed five-year transportation improvement program contains construction awards averaging \$500 million per year down from \$1.25 billion in the previous program. [Update](#)

## SAFER ROADS

### Camden County Sheriff's Office Creates New DWI Enforcement Unit

*New Unit Will Crack Down on Drunk Driving This Summer at Lake of the Ozarks*  
The Camden County Sheriff's Office will be stepping up the fight against impaired driving after receiving a grant to fund a DWI enforcement unit. The grant increases the number of law enforcement officers who will concentrate on detecting and removing impaired drivers from Camden County roads. [DWI](#)

### Motorcycle Deaths Down Dramatically

*Motorcycle fatalities declined dramatically in 2009 in Missouri and nationwide on the heels of 11 straight years of dramatic increases in motorcyclist deaths. In 2009, Missouri saw a 21.5 percent decrease in motorcycle fatalities while nationwide fatalities have declined by at least 10 percent.* [Motorcycles](#)

### May is National Youth Traffic Safety Month

Automobile crashes continue to be the #1 cause of death and injuries for teens in the United States. Many of these crashes are preventable. National Youth Safety Month is held each May to help spread traffic safety awareness in an effort to change this startling statistic. [Youth](#)



## HAVE YOU SEEN THIS?

### Tell Us What You Think - Your Thoughts are Worth a Million

Once a year, MoDOT formally sets out a five-year construction program telling you what you're getting for your money. A formal comment period now is under way -- May 5 through June 4. This is a chance to share your thoughts about the kind of transportation system you want in Missouri. Please tell us what you think -- your thoughts are worth a million and sometimes even a billion or so! [Thoughts](#)

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