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Specialty Report

- Critical Issues in Transportation 2019
- COVID-19 Addendum to Critical Issues in Transportation
- Racial Equity Addendum to Critical Issues in Transportation

Recent Reports & Publications

- Airport Cooperative Research Program (ACRP)
  - Legal Research Digest 60 - Transit Mega Projects: Legal Issues
  - Legal Research Digest 56 - Joint Development Agreements Using FTA Funds or FTA-Funded Assets
  - Legal Research Digest 45 - Airport Customer Facility Charges: Analysis of Laws, Regulations, and Case Law
  - Legal Research Digest 44 - Airports Responding to Public Health Emergencies: Legal Considerations
  - Legal Research Digest 43 - Legal Considerations for Telecommunications at Airports
  - Legal Research Digest 42 - Legal Implications of Data Collection at Airports
  - Legal Research Digest 41 - Legal Issues Relating to Airport Commercial Contracts
  - Legal Research Digest 40 - Compilation of DOT and FAA Airport Legal Determinations and Opinion Letters as of December 31, 2019
  - Report 248 - Airport Insurance Requirements
  - Report 249 – Developing an Airport Program to Address Human Trafficking: A Guide
  - Synthesis 117 - Agricultural Operations on Airport Grounds

- Behavioral Traffic Safety Cooperative Research Program (BTSCRP)
  - Report 6 - Identifying and Prioritizing Behavioral Interventions to Improve Child Passenger Safety in For-Hire Vehicles
  - Report 5 - Strategies to Improve State Traffic Citation and Adjudication Outcomes
  - Report 1 - Using Electronic Devices While Driving: Legislation and Enforcement Implications

- National Cooperative Highway Research Program (NCHRP)
  - Legal Research Digest 89 - Planning and Environment Linkages: Review of Statutory Authority and Case Law
  - Legal Research Digest 88 - Consequential Damages Provisions in Construction Contracts: Legal Issues
  - Legal Research Digest 87 - Encampments of Unhoused Individuals in Transportation Rights-of-Way: Laws and State DOT Practices
  - Legal Research Digest 86 - Managing Enhanced Risk in the Mega Project Era
  - Legal Research Digest 85 - Public Liabilities Relating to Driveway Permits

Updated 7/17/2023
Legal Research Digest 84 - Fix It, Sign It or Close It: State of Good Repair in an Era of Budget Constraints
Report 936 - A Guide to Ensure Access to the Results of Federally Funded Transportation Research
Synthesis 572 - Night and Weekend Movement of Oversize/Overweight Loads
Web-Only Document 360 - Acquisition of Utility Property Interests and Compensation Practices for Utility Relocations

Transit Cooperative Research Program (TCRP)
Legal Research Digest 60 - Transit Mega Projects: Legal Issues
Legal Research Digest 59 - Legal Issues and Emerging Technologies
Legal Research Digest 58 - Policing and Public Transportation
Legal Research Digest 57 - Fix It, Sign It or Close It: State of Good Repair in an Era of Budget Constraints
Legal Research Digest 56 - Joint Development Agreements Using FTA Funds or FTA-Funded Assets
Report 234 - Measuring and Managing Fare Evasion
Report 239 – Provision of Alternative Services by Transit Agencies: The Intersection of Regulation and Program

Special Reports / Consensus Studies
Report 346 - The Coast Guard’s Next Decade: An Assessment of Emerging Challenges and Statutory Needs

Current & Upcoming Projects

Current Projects
ACRP 01-52 - Strategic Futuring of Airports and their Role in the U.S. Airport System
ACRP 02-95 - Understanding Airport Air Quality and Public Health Studies Related to Airports: An Update to ACRP Report 135
ACRP 02-97 - Update to the Guidelines, Tools, and Resources Related to ACRP Reports 11, 147, and 160
ACRP 02-97A - Update ACRP Report 43: Improving Environmental Performance at Small Airports
ACRP 02-101 - Environmental Stewardship and Compliance Training for Airport Employees
ACRP 05-03 - Guidebook on Airport Cybersecurity and Incident Response
ACRP 11-01/Topic 10-01 - Update of Compilation of FAA/DOT Airport Legal Determinations
ACRP 11-01/Topic 12-02 - Legal Considerations for General Aviation (GA) Development at Airports
ACRP 11-09/Topic - Impact of New Corporate Environmental Standards Impact Airports
BTS/CRP BTS-11 - Ensuring Child Safety in For-Hire Rideshare Vehicles
BTS/CRP BTS-17 - Determining the Effectiveness of Combined High Visibility Enforcement
BTS/CRP BTS-21 - Assessing and Mitigating Racial Disparities in the Enforcement of Pedestrian, Bicycle, and Micromobility Traffic-Related Laws
NCHRP 08-141 – A Guidebook for Local Truck Parking Regulations
NCHRP 20-05/Topic 54-21 - Practices in the Transportation Planning Process to Address Climate Resilience and GHG Emission Quantification and Reduction
NCHRP 20-05/Topic 55-07 - Complying with Stormwater Retrofit Permit Requirements Through Third-Party Partnerships
NCHRP 20-06/Topic 25-06 - Legal Issues and Strategies for Best-Value Procurement for Highway Construction
NCHRP 20-06/Topic 26-01 - Effects of Indian Treaties on Development and Operation of Transportation Facilities
NCHRP 20-06/Topic 26-02 - Analysis of Arbitration and Holdings in Construction Disputes
NCHRP 20-06/Topic 26-03 - Multistate Coordination and Harmonization for AV Legislation
NCHRP 20-06/Topic 26-04 - Pandemics and Contractual Issues
NCHRP 23-13(05) - Regulatory Relief of Commercial Vehicle Weight Requirements for Emergency Transportation of Critical Commodities
NCHRP 23-20 - Guidebook for Implementation of UAS Operational Capabilities
NCHRP 25-65 - Preparing Successful No-Effect and No-Adverse-Effect Section 106 Determinations: A Handbook for Transportation Cultural Resource Practitioners
TCRP J-05/Topic 18-02 - Codes of Conduct on Transit Vehicles and Property: Legal Issues
TCRP J-05/Topic 19-03 - Navigating the Complexities of Sensitive Security Information (SSI) and Protected Critical Infrastructure Information (PCII)
TRB/TFPE 05 - Evaluation of FHWA’s Initiative on Integrating NEPA and Permitting

Upcoming Projects
ACRP 11-01/Topic 11-02 - Accommodation of Federal Agencies – Rights and Obligations of Host Airports
ACRP 11-01/Topic 15-01 - Accommodating Federal Agencies at Airports and Related Contractual Concerns
ACRP 11-01/Topic 15-02 - Legal Issues Concerning the Safety and Security of General Aviation Airports
- ACRP 11-01/Topic 15-03 - Legal Impacts to Airports from State Legalization of Marijuana
- ACRP 11-09/Topic 01 - Impact of New Corporate Environmental Standards Impact Airports
- BTRCRP BTS-27 - Evaluation of Motorcycle Licensing and Training Requirements
- BTRCRP BTS-31 - Quantifying the Safety Impacts of Reduced Traffic Enforcement
- NCHRP 08-164 - Institutional Integration of Active Transportation
- NCHRP 19-23 - Revenue-Related Strategies for New Mobility Options
- NCHRP 20-06/Topic 27-01 - Transportation Agency Liability for Roadside Safety Hardware
- NCHRP 20-06/Topic 27-02 - Status of State and Local Suspension and Debarment Programs and Barriers to Creation and Implementation for State and Local Programs
- NCHRP 20-06/Topic 27-03 - Rewrite of Volume 3 Selected Studies In Transportation Law Environmental Law And Transportation
- NCHRP 20-06/Topic 27-04 - Managing Performance for Innovative Technology Contracts
- NCHRP 20-06/Topic 27-05 - Liability Arising from Proactive Safety Improvements
- NCHRP 23-25 - Architecture for an Information System for Reporting and Sharing Truck Regulatory Requirements Data
- TCRP J-05/Topic 19-04 - Transit Sponsor and Contractor Delay Damages and Remedies Due to Third Parties - Transit Facility Improvements-Common Legal Issues and Solutions
- TCRP J-05/Topic 19-01 - Legal Issues Regarding Multijurisdictional Transit Agencies
- TCRP J-05/Topic 19-04 - Transit Sponsor and Contractor Delay Damages and Remedies Due to Third Parties - Transit Facility Improvements-Common Legal Issues and Solutions
- TCRP J-05/Topic 20-02 - Liability Insurance Issues for Transit Lawyers: A Primer
- TCRP J-05/Topic 21-01 - Update of Legal Research Digests Regarding Civil Rights, Privacy, and Other Related Digests
- TCRP J-05/Topic 21-03 - Update of Selected Studies in Transportation Law, Volume 5, 2014 Supplement (Transit Law)
- TRB/AAMVA 19-01 - RFQ: Demographic and Technological Trends Impacting the DMV of the Future

Reports from the National Academies Press on Legal Research

- Transportation and Infrastructure » Law
- Reducing Racial Inequality in Crime and Justice
- Rental Eviction and the COVID-19 Pandemic
- The Limits of Recidivism: Measuring Success After Prison
- Committee on Human Rights: Year in Review 2021
- Police Strategies to Control High-Level Corruption: A Global Perspective
- Location Data in the Context of Public Health, Research, and Law Enforcement: An Exploration of Governance Frameworks
- Methadone Treatment for Opioid Use Disorder: Improving Access Through Regulatory and Legal Change
- Policies and Practices to Minimize Police Use of Force Internationally
- Police Training to Promote the Rule of Law and Protect the Population
- Section 230 Protections: Can Legal Revisions or Novel Technologies Limit Online Misinformation and Abuse?
- Policing to Promote the Rule of Law and Protect the Population
- The Emerging Field of Human Neural Organoids, Transplants, and Chimeras - Science, Ethics, and Governance
- The Science of Implicit Bias: Implications for Law and Policy
- Community Safety and Policing

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Project Panels
- D2005 - NCHRP Project Panel on Synthesis of Information Related to Highway Problems
- D2065 - NCHRP Project Panel on Research for the AASHTO Standing Committee on Public Transportation
- DA1101 – Legal Aspects of Airport Programs
- DB018 – Understanding the Effectiveness of Public Awareness Educational Campaigns (non-law enforcement) and the Necessary Components Critical for Success
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- Articles for TRB Committee work

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• Research in Progress (RiP) Database – rip.trb.org - Current or recently completed transportation research projects

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