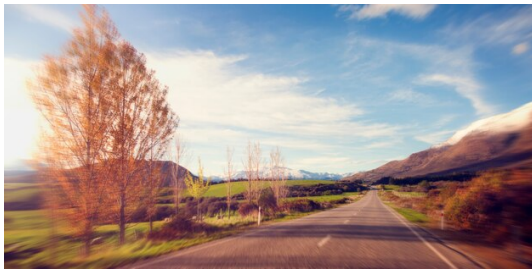




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WVDOH accepts bids for next section of King Coal Highway

The West Virginia Division of Highways (WVDOH) has accepted bids for a major section of the King Coal Highway, from Littleburg to the Mercer County Airport in Mercer County.

"The Governor had three big priorities when he took office, King Coal, the Coalfields Expressway, and Corridor H, and we've made significant progress on all three," said Transportation Secretary Jimmy Wriston, P.E.

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Gov. Justice celebrates another year of record-breaking growth in the tourism industry

Gov. Jim Justice today announced West Virginia's tourism performance for 2023, with the industry's total economic impact approaching \$9 billion last year. Visitor volume to the state reached 75 million visitors last year. These visitors spent \$6.3 billion in the state, 5.6% more than in 2022.

These levels of visitation and spending are both above 2019 levels, demonstrating a full recovery from the pandemic and robust new growth.

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U.S. DOT Awards \$5 Million Research Initiative for Novel Cement Development

Today, the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) announced \$5 million in research funding to Rutgers University Center for Advanced Infrastructure and Transportation (CAIT).

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Today's retiring workforce holds the key to building the future. Their transfer of knowledge will make or break the new generation of skilled-trades workers.

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