Insights, Challenges, and Lessons Learned from the Concept Development Phase – Tampa (THEA) Pilot Site

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TODAY’S AGENDA

- Purpose of this Webinar
  - To share the Comprehensive Deployment Plan from the Tampa (THEA) with the stakeholders of connected vehicle technologies.

- Webinar Content
  - Connected Vehicle Pilot Deployment Program Overview
  - Tampa (THEA) Comprehensive Deployment Plan
  - Stakeholder Q&A
  - How to Stay Connected

- Webinar Protocol
  - Please mute your phone during the entire webinar
  - You are welcome to ask questions via chatbox at the Q&A Section
  - The webinar recording and the presentation material will be posted on the CV Pilots website
Connected Vehicle Pilot Deployment Program Overview

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- Visit Program Website for Updates: [http://www.its.dot.gov/pilots](http://www.its.dot.gov/pilots)
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MOVING FROM CONCEPT DEVELOPMENT
PHASE TO DESIGN/DEPLOY/TEST PHASE

Sites are wrapping up Phase 1; projected Phase 2 Start in September 2016

- Phase 1: Concept Development (Current Phase)
  - Creates the foundational plan to enable further design and deployment
  - Progress Gate: Is the concept ready for deployment?
- Phase 2: Design/Deploy/Test
  - Detailed design and deployment followed by testing to ensure deployment functions as intended (both technically and institutionally)
  - Progress Gate: Does the system function as planned?
- Phase 3: Maintain/Operate
  - Focus is on assessing the performance of the deployed system
- Post Pilot Operations (CV tech integrated into operational practice)
Extended Stakeholder Impact Area
STAKEHOLDERS

- **Research Stakeholders**
  - USDOT JPO, FHWA, NTSA, RDE, OEM’s, Independent Evaluator, Affiliate Test Bed Members, Future CV Deployers, Standards Bodies, Certification Entities

- **Key Partner Stakeholders**
  - City of Tampa, FDOT District Seven, Hillsborough Area Regional Transit Authority (HART), HNTB, Center for Urban Transportation Research (CUTR) at USF, Siemens, Brand Motion, Global 5 Communications (G5), Hillsborough Community College (HCC), CAMP, SiriusXM®, MetroTech®

- **Community Stakeholders**
  - MacDill AFB, Downtown Partnership, Chamber of Commerce, Hillsborough County MPO, Tampa PD, Hillsborough County Sheriff, FHP, Tampa FD/EMS, Amalie Arena, Tampa Shipping & Cruise Port, Tampa Civic Center, Straz Center for Performing Arts, Glazer Children’s Museum, Channelside District, Tampa International Airport (TIA)

- **User Stakeholders**
  - Participant Motorists including MacDill AFB Commuters, Non-participant Motorists, HART Bus Drivers, TECO Line Trolley Car Drivers, Participant Pedestrians, Non-participant Pedestrians and Cyclists.
The stated goals of the USDOT CV Pilot Deployments research experiment are improving Mobility, Safety, Environment and Agency Efficiency through CV technology.

- **Goal 1:** Develop and Deploy CV Infrastructure and Applications to Evaluate Effectiveness in Addressing the Identified Issues/Needs
- **Goal 2:** Improve Mobility in the Central Business District (CBD)
- **Goal 3:** Reduce the Number of Safety Incidents within the Pilot Area
- **Goal 4:** Reduce Environmental Impacts within the Pilot Area
- **Goal 5:** Improve Agency Efficiency
- **Goal 6:** Develop Business Environment for Sustainability
By the Numbers

- Number of Roadside Units: 40

- Number of Onboard Units - Vehicles:
  - 10 HART Buses
  - 10 HART (TECO Line) Trolley Cars
  - 1500 privately owned cars and light trucks
  - TBD number of nomadic devices, (smart phones, tablets, wearable bluetooth devices etc.)

  - Primary cost here is for application. Number of participants thereafter is only limited by enrollment.

  - Targets for recruiting in this segment are downtown condo associations and major office building tenant groups.
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CV Pilot Systems Engineering Lead
HNTB Corporation
FOCUSED PILOT DEPLOYMENT AREA

Source: HNTB
USE CASE 1 – MORNING PEAK HOUR QUEUES

- Reduce congestion/queuing on REL curve exit
- Reduce rear end and lane departure crashes
- Improve traffic movement
  - Curve Speed Warning (CSW)
  - Forward Collision Warning (FCW)
  - Emergency Electronic Brake Light (EEBL)
  - Intelligent Signal System (I-SIG)

NEEDS APPS

Source: HNTB
USE CASE 2 – WRONG WAY ENTRIES

- Warn wrong way driver
- Warn approaching “right way” driver(s)
- Communicate wrong way driver to law enforcement

NEEDS

I-SIG
Red Light Violation Warning (RLVW)
Intersection Movement Assist (IMA)

APPS
USE CASE 3 – PEDESTRIAN SAFETY

- Reduce pedestrian/vehicle collision
- Reduce pedestrian/vehicle near misses

- I-SIG
- Pedestrian in a Signalized Crosswalk (PED-X)
- Mobile Accessible Pedestrian Signal (PED-SIG)

NEEDS

APPS

Source: HNTB
USE CASE 4 – BUS RAPID TRANSIT SIGNAL PRIORITY OPTIMIZATION, TRIP TIMES AND SAFETY

- Improve bus schedule performance
  - I-SIG
  - I-MA
  - Transit Signal Priority

NEEDS

APPS

Source HNTB
USE CASE 5 – TECO LINE STREETCAR CONFLICTS

- Reduce trolley/vehicle collisions
- Reduce trolley/vehicle near misses

- I-SIG
- PED-SIG
- PED-X

NEEDS

APPS
Use Case 6 – Enhanced Signal Coordination and Traffic Progression

- Improve drivers (commuters) travel times
- Improve pedestrian safety

NEEDS

APPS

Source HNTB
### CV Applications to Be Deployed

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<td>Enables broadcast to surrounding vehicles of severe braking</td>
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<td>Warns driver of impending collision ahead in same lane</td>
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<td>Indicates unsafe (i.e., wrong way) entry into an intersection</td>
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<td>Gives pedestrians priority with signal phase and timing (PED-SIG)</td>
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<td>Adjusts signal timing for optimal flow along with PED-SIG and TSP</td>
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<td>Vehicle Data for Traffic Operations (VDTO)</td>
<td>Uses vehicles as probes to detect potential incidents, (also called Probe-enabled Data Monitoring or PeDM)</td>
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<td>Transit Signal Priority (TSP)</td>
<td>Allows transit vehicle to request and receive priority at a traffic signal</td>
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<td>Vehicle Turning Right in Front of a Transit Vehicle (VTRFTV)</td>
<td>Alerts transit vehicle driver that a car is attempting to turn right in front of the transit vehicle</td>
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<td>Red Light Violation Warning (RLVW)</td>
<td>Warns driver of potential of red light violation</td>
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Source: HNTB
Pedestrian Conflicts – County Courthouse

Source HNTB
REL EXIT SWEEPING CURVE
REL Exit Curve Congestion

Source: HNTB
REL Exit Right Turn

Source HNTB
VEHICLE TURNING RIGHT IN FRONT OF TROLLEY

Source: HART
CV Apps Adaptation

- Forward Collision Warning (FCW)
  - Used as designed
- Emergency Electronic Brake Light (EEBL) Warning
  - Used as designed
- Curve Speed Warning (CSW)
  - Used as designed,
    - with input scaled to safe stopping distance
- Intersection Movement Assist (IMA)
  - Used as Designed
- Red Light Violation Warning (RLVW)
  - Used as designed to predict violation, plus added TIM warnings:
    - Before vehicle enters a closed ramp
    - To oncoming traffic when vehicle enters closed ramp
    - To Master Server when vehicle enters closed ramp for Law Enforcement
    - Warnings canceled when wrong-way vehicle exits or reverses direction
CV APPS ADAPTATION

- Intelligent Traffic Signal System (I-SIG)
  - Used as mathematically designed, plus:
    - Hard-coded site-specific test constants become configurable fields
    - Manufacture-specific constants become configurable fields
    - Generalize the hard-coded, fixed-phase sequences to configurable fields
- Probe Enabled Data Monitoring (PeDM) or Vehicle Data for Traffic Operations (VDTO)
  - Aggregate incremental BSM movements to travel time, incidents
- Pedestrian in signalized crosswalk warning
  - Translate WiFi PSM to DSRC BSM for FCW and IMA
- Mobile Accessible Pedestrian Signal System (PED-SIG)
  - Used as designed
- Transit Signal Priority (TSP)
  - Used as designed, plus:
    - Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) authenticated by HART central
    - Priority Request selectively granted or blocked by HART central
- Vehicle Turning Right in Front of Bus (VTRFB)
  - Used as designed except Transit vehicle is a trolley
TMC OPERATIONS PHOTOS

Source: THEA / CoT
Source: Siemens
Mirror display uses sticker to depict location and concept of warning.
Actual image is still in development

Source: Brand Motion
- Application maturity not as evolved as expected
- Evolving standards
- Concurrent planning documents development
- More direct interaction with other teams
- Use of non-CV technology as part of solution
- Security
Steve Johnson, CVP
CV Pilot Program Management Lead
HNTB Corporation
Management Approach – Processes and Team Makeup

Deployment Approach

- Relies on the System Engineering Documents from Phase 1
- Distributes tasks functionally across dual paths
- Leverage the key strengths of our core partners.
- Separate acquisition/installation efforts for roadside equipment versus onboard equipment.
- Systems engineering and final integration and testing efforts conducted jointly
- Distributes accountability and risk
- Cross-functional reviews and progress meetings ensure
  - interoperability,
  - requirements traceability and
  - Shared body of knowledge and lessons learned.
Deployment Approach Work Flow Diagram

- Siemens provides systems engineering and design for roadside units and TMC Operations
- Siemens provides hardware and applications acquisition, installation and testing for RSU and TMC
- Brand Motion provides systems engineering and design for onboard units
- Brand Motion provides hardware and applications acquisition, installation and testing for OBU

Overarching Systems Engineering, Design, integration and Testing is overseen by Systems Engineering Lead

Source: HNTB
PROGRAM MANAGEMENT – CHALLENGES / LESSONS LEARNED

- Challenges
  A. Distributed Team Locations – Logistics
  B. Aggressive Delivery Schedules
  C. Balancing High Energy, Super Talented Teams with Need to have Centralized PM
  D. HIGH Number of Stakeholders with Initially Low Level of Comprehension

- Lessons Learned
  A. Importance of face to face progress meetings followed by breakout sessions
  B. Critical documents have overlapping/redundant content.
     a) Each progressive document must be reconciled with prior documents
     b) QC/QA should include dedicated staff having no other project involvement
     c) Reconciliation document for tracking these connected changes
  C. Balance needed between empowering team leads to operate autonomously and maintaining centralized program management to keep all teams informed and connected
  D. Need to not only engage early but to educate early as to the “Benefits” of the program and why their participation is key to success.
Stephen Reich, CUTR
CV Pilot Performance Measurement and Evaluation Lead
Center for Urban Transportation Research, University of South Florida
CUTR STAFFING

- Stephen L. Reich – Program Director – CUTR – program evaluation, transportation agency management, financing, operations, transportation performance metrics
  - Project Management, Staffing, Coordination, Executive Direction
  - Commitment – 50% Phase II, 70% Phase III
- Sisinnio Concas, Ph.D. Economics - urban and regional economics, economic impact analysis, travel demand modeling, econometric modeling.
  - Environmental Metrics, Experimental Design, Confounding Factors, Data Structure, Analysis
  - Commitment – 50% Phase II, 70% Phase III
- Achilleas Kourtellis, Ph.D. Civil Engineering - statistical analysis, ITS implementations and in-vehicle safety devices, driver experiments for technology testing
  - Safety Metrics, Analysis, Data Set Configuration, Human Use Support
  - Commitment – 55% Phase II, 75% Phase III
- Seckin Ozkul, Ph.D., Civil Engineering P.E. – connected/automated vehicle research, traffic engineering & Ops, traffic signal systems, ITS
  - Mobility Metrics,
  - Commitment – 15% Phases II and III

- ADDITIONAL STAFFING OF TWO FULL-TIME POST DOCS AND TWO HALF-TIME GRADUATE STUDENTS
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**Random Design** – Treatment and Control groups, random assignment, compare average treatment effect, desirable but always achievable

**Quasi-Experimental** – Used when random assignment not possible, selection bias reduced by using methods like propensity score matching, matching algorithm, difference in difference

**Before/After** – Time series analysis, no control and treatment groups, confounding factor identification, baseline data required
Performance Measurement and Independent Evaluation Support – Task 3D

- Updated PMESS

- Data Collection, processing analysis and reporting
  - Reporting to COR designated US DOT entities
  - Internal Team and stakeholders
  - Research Data Exchange

- IE Support
  - Access to data downloads and reports using a restricted area within the website as detailed in the ODE
  - Downloadable summary tables on each performance measure for each UC
  - Custom queries via table query mechanism
  - Daily, weekly, monthly or custom time frames

- Reporting to the Community and Stakeholders
  - Dashboard Approach
  - Provide mechanisms to measure progress towards targets
  - Daily updates
Challenges

A. Deployment in an area undergoing significant redevelopment will likely complicate dealing with confounding factors
B. Identification of performance targets more difficult than developing measures and methods.

Lessons Learned

A. Cross functional coordination is absolutely critical
B. Early involvement in activities such as System Requirements helps facilitate meaningful measurement
C. Early definition of needs and role of Independent Evaluator would be helpful
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- **August 19, 2016 1:00 – 2:00 pm EDT**
  Tampa (THEA) Comprehensive Deployment Plan Webinar
- **August 22, 2016 1:00 – 2:00 pm EDT**
  ICF/WYDOT Comprehensive Deployment Plan Webinar
- **August 22, 2016 3:00 – 4:00 pm EDT**
  NYCDOT Comprehensive Deployment Plan Webinar

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