



Northeast Autonomous Vehicle Summit Town Hall Panel 1 U.S. DOT Smart City Challenge

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- Research Capabilities
 - 20+ labs, 110 Federal, 175 contractors
 - National Research Fellows, visiting researchers
- Research Funding
 - \$100M per year



Exploratory Advanced Research



Status

- Solicitations: 8
- Projects awarded: 75; Active 31
 - \$76 M Federal
 - \$29 M Match

Focus Areas

- Connected highway systems
- Human behavior and travel choices
- Breakthrough concepts in material science
- Technology for assessing performance
- New technology and advanced policies for energy and resource conservation



Operations Focus Areas



Enabling Technologies





Concepts and Analysis



Linking Testbeds to Living Laboratories

Operations Applications







Cooperative Adaptive Cruise Control (CACC) Research



CACC

A Story About Progress

GlidePath Prototype Application



Test examines the environmental and fuel economy benefits of partialautomation on a Ford Escape Hybrid

Overrides human longitudinal control, allowing the vehicle to travel at optimum speed to proceed through an intersection without stopping at red lights

Connected Vehicle-to-Infrastructure (V2I) technology combined with partial automation

The Result: 22% fuel economy improvement with partial automation versus 7% with manual driving Next phase of research will test the application in multi-intersection environments

Tech Timeline



Photo: UBER

We Are On the Verge of A Transformation





Connected Automation

Information & Communications

Technology



SMART CITY

Internet of Things



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The Smart City Challenge



- Encourage cities to put forward their best and most creative ideas for innovatively addressing the challenges they are facing.
- Demonstrate how advanced data and intelligent transportation systems (ITS) technologies and applications can be used to reduce congestion, keep travelers safe, protect the environment, respond to climate change, connect underserved communities, and support economic vitality.



USDOT Vision Elements



TECHNOLOGY ELEMENTS



Vision Element #1 Urban Automation



Vision Element #2 Connected Vehicles



Vision Element #3 Intelligent, Sensor-Based Infrastructure

INNOVATIVE APPROACHES TO URBAN TRANSPORTATION ELEMENTS



SMART CITY ELEMENTS



Vision Element #12 Smart Land Use

The Smart City Challenge



SMARTCOLUMBUS





Source: The City of Columbus

Integrated Data Exchange (IDE)





Source: The City of Columbus

Resources / To Learn More



RESOURCES

FHWA Office of Operations:

- FHWA Office of Operations Website: http://ops.fhwa.dot.gov/
- Turner-Fairbank Highway Research Center Website: http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/research/tfhrc/offices/operations/

ITS-JPO:

- Automated Vehicles: https://www.its.dot.gov/automated_vehicle/
- CV Pilots: https://www.its.dot.gov/presentations/egan_smith/FutureTra nsportationCV-AV.pdf
- Research Data Exchange: https://www.its-rde.net/

Smart City Challenge:

- Finalist Cities & Applications: https://www.transportation.gov/smartcity/7-finalists-cities/
- Advanced Technology Grants: https://www.transportation.gov/Briefing-Room/Advanced-Technology-Transportation-Projects/
- Smart City Challenge Resource Guide: https://www.transportation.gov/smartcity/otherfunding/

CACC:

 Video Link: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2-WoV8nKQUE

Driving Future Highways

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