

Project No. 0007-0250: Berlin Turnpike (US Rte. 5/Rte. 15) CTSS

Technology Workshop

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Agenda

- 9:00 am Introductions
 Workshop Goals and Objectives
 Project Overview
- 9:15 am Update of Traffic Signal Management Plan (TSMP)
 Systems Engineering Management Plan (SEMP)
 Adaptive Traffic Signal Control (ATSC) Technology
 Fiber Communications
- 10:00 am Detection Technology
 Automated Traffic Signal Performance Measures (ATSPM)
- 10:30 am Break
- 10:45 am Vendor Demonstration
- 12:00 pm Lunch
- 12:45 pm Connected Vehicle Technology
- 1:45 pm Snow Plow Pre-emption or Priority
- 2:00 pm Break
- 2:15 pm Other Traffic Signal Equipment
- Project Schedule and Next Steps
 Open Discussion



Workshop Goals & Objectives

- Familiarity with the project
- Knowledge of the process and design needs
- Understanding of the technology



Project Overview

- Berlin Turnpike – Phase 1
- 15 Intersections along US 5/US 15 from Nott St. to Selden St./Rowley St.
- New signal equipment
- Coordinated Traffic Signal System (Adaptive Traffic Signal Control)
- Automated Traffic Signal Performance Measures
- Connected Vehicle Technology (Signal Phasing and Timing)
- Pan/Tilt/Zoom CCTV cameras



Project Location



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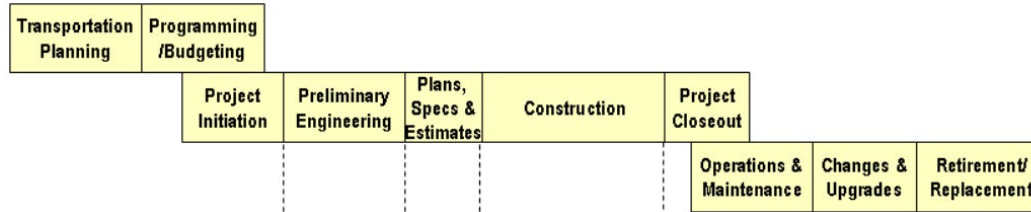
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Update of Traffic Signal Management Plan (TSMP)

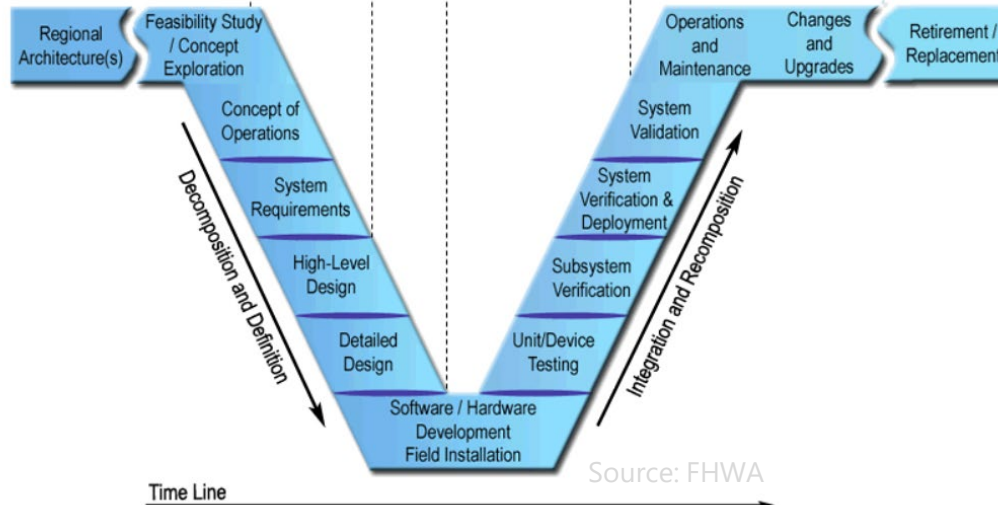


FHWA Comparison of Traditional with Systems Engineering Process

Traditional Project Delivery Process



Systems Engineering Process ("V" Diagram)

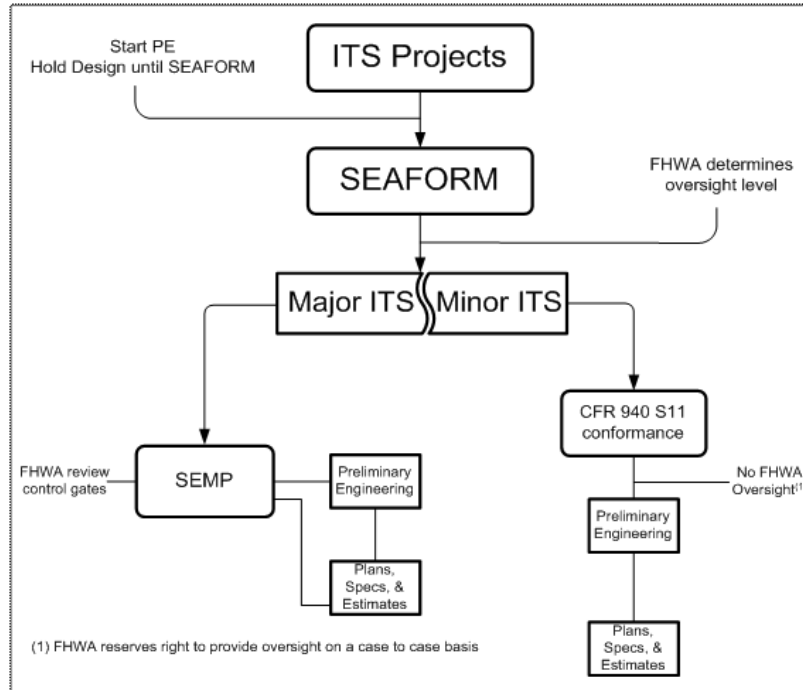


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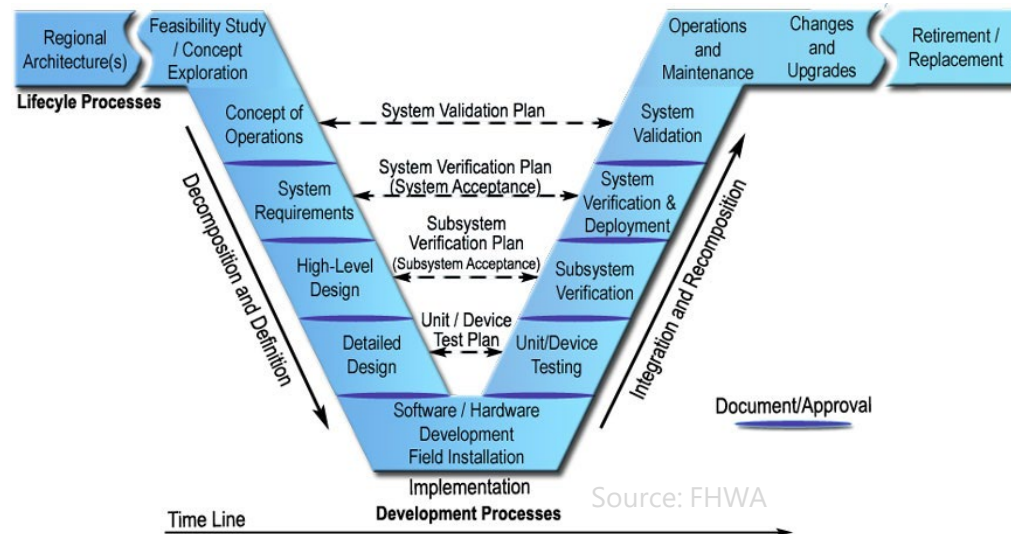
Systems Engineering Management Plan (SEMP)

- ConnDOT Stewardship & Oversight Implementation Manual
 - Major ITS project with new technologies



Systems Engineering Management Plan (SEMP)

- SEMP
 - Scope of the Project
 - Technical Planning & Control
 - Systems Engineering Process
 - Architecture Update
- Research
 - Adaptive Traffic Signal Control
 - Connected Vehicles



Adaptive Traffic Signal Control (ATSC) Technology – Background

- Traditional time-of-day signal timing plans
- FHWA Every Day Counts – Round 1 (EDC-1)
<https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/innovation/everydaycounts/edc-1/asct.cfm>
- Adjusts the timing of the signals based on data
 - Continuously distribute green time
 - Improve travel time reliability
 - Reduce congestion
 - More efficient traffic signals



ATSC Technology – Background

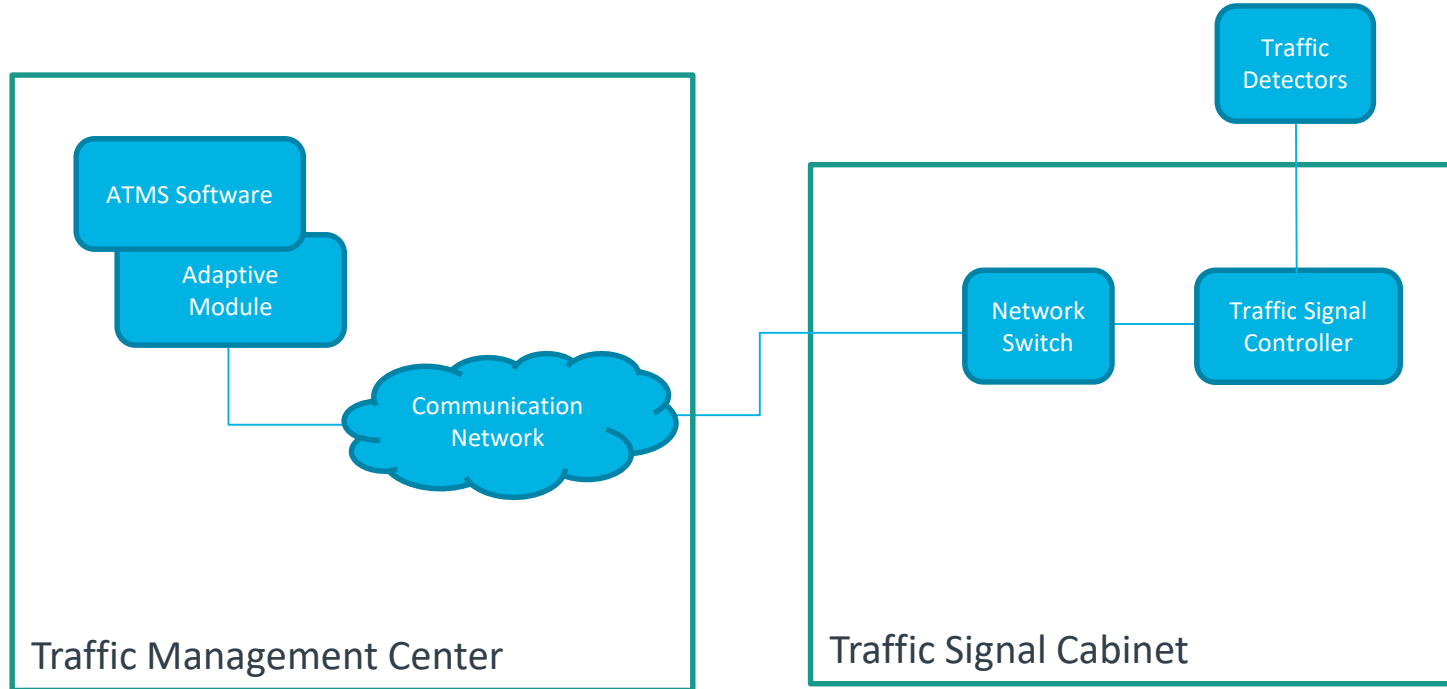


Current Applications in Connecticut

- TBC – time-based coordination
- Interconnect for coordinated systems
- Peak hour (AM/PM), set to free on off-peak
- Incident timing plans for Interstate back-ups



ATSC Technology – System Architecture



ATSC Technology – Researched Systems

- Centracs (Econolite)
- Intelight (Q-Free)
- SynchroGreen (TrafficWare)
- InSync (Rhythm Engineering)

- Common Attributes
 - Provides web interface
 - Customizable
 - Leverages existing detection
 - Provides real time updates to timings



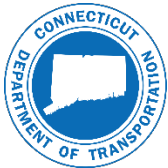
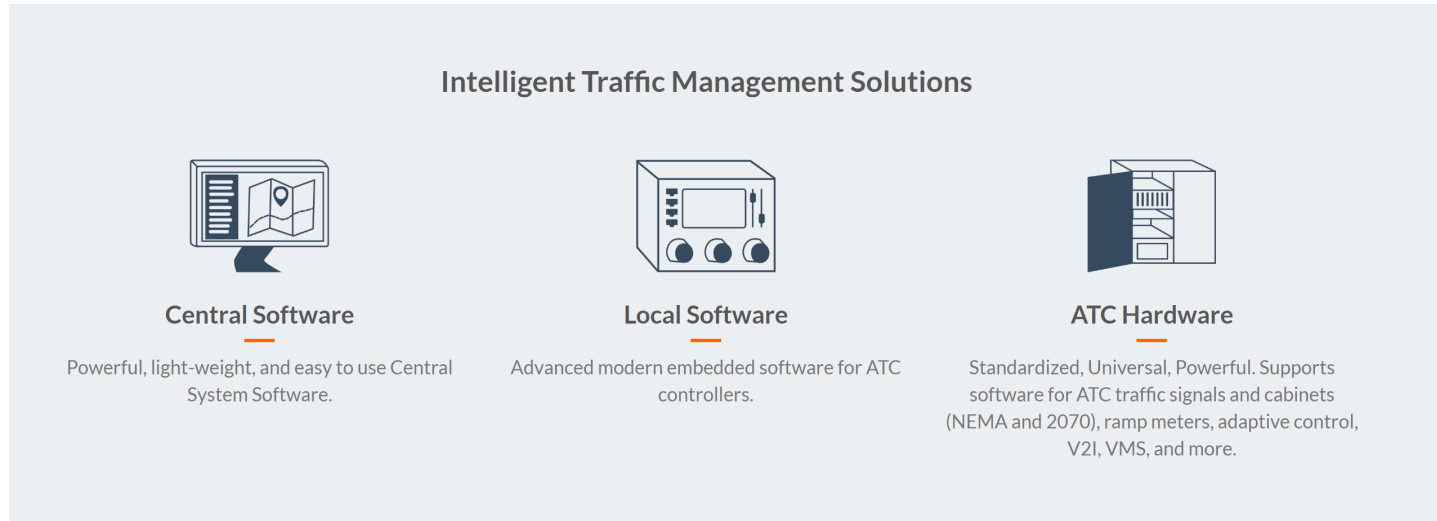
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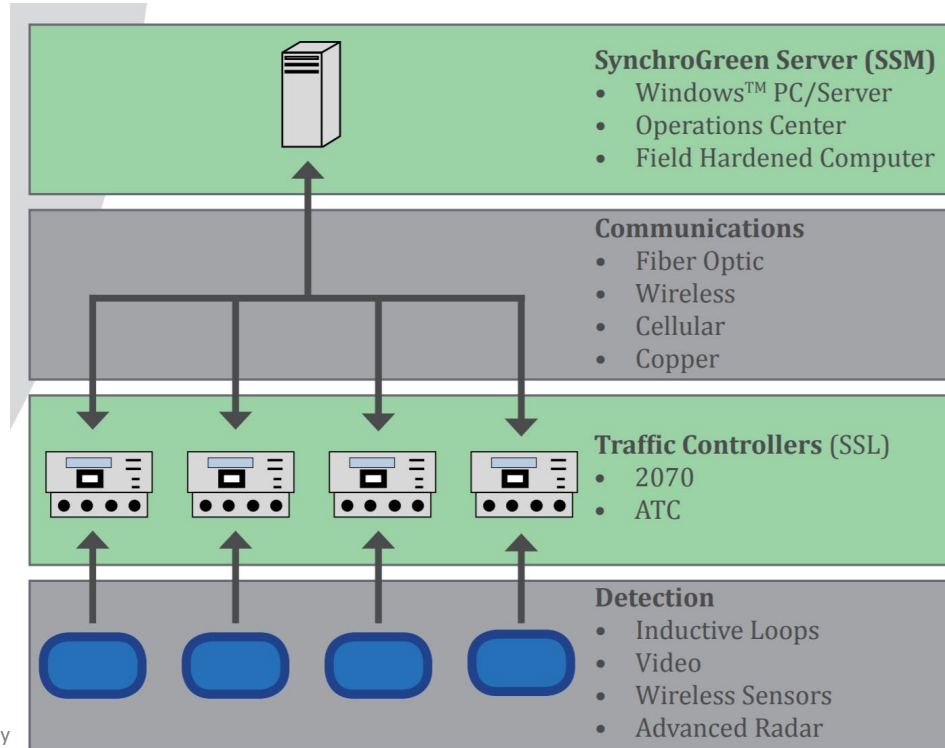
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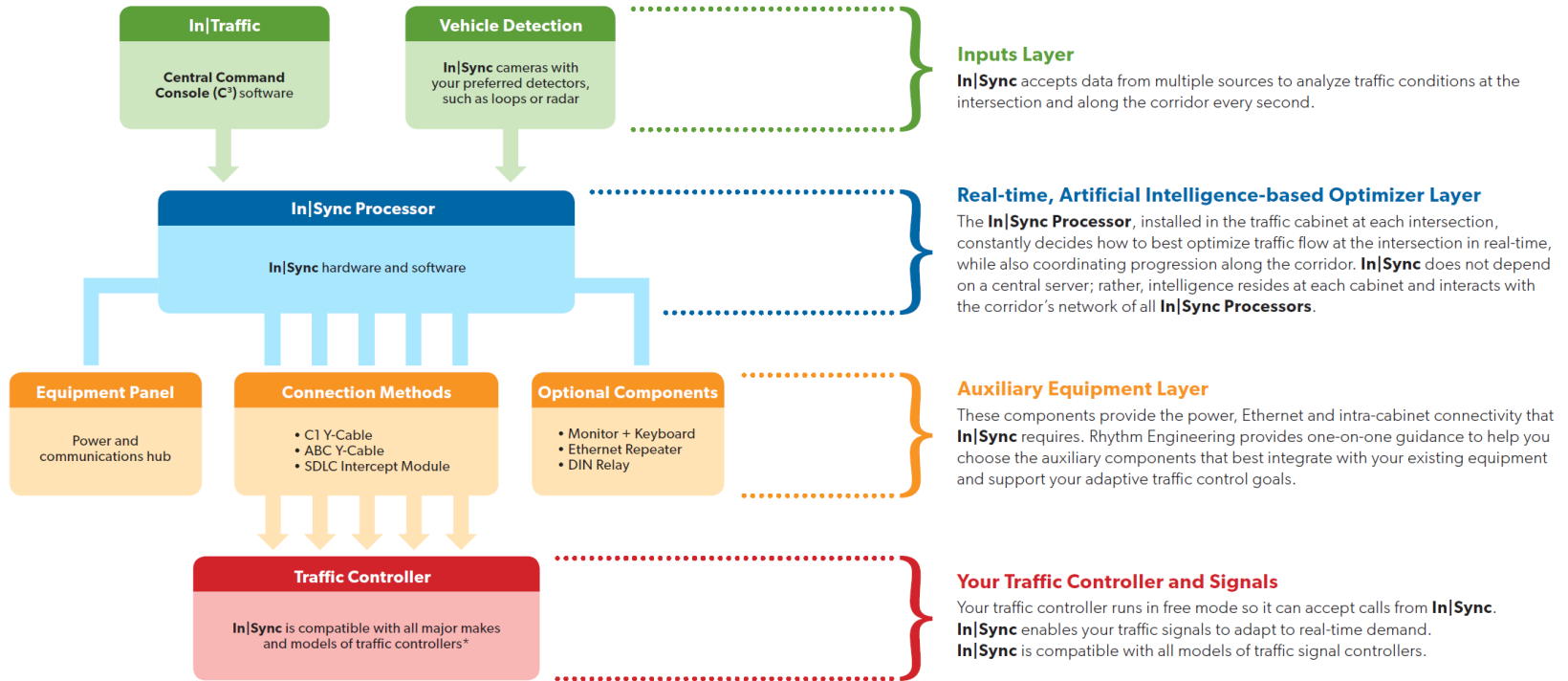
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- SynchroGreen (TrafficWare)

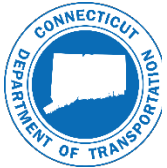
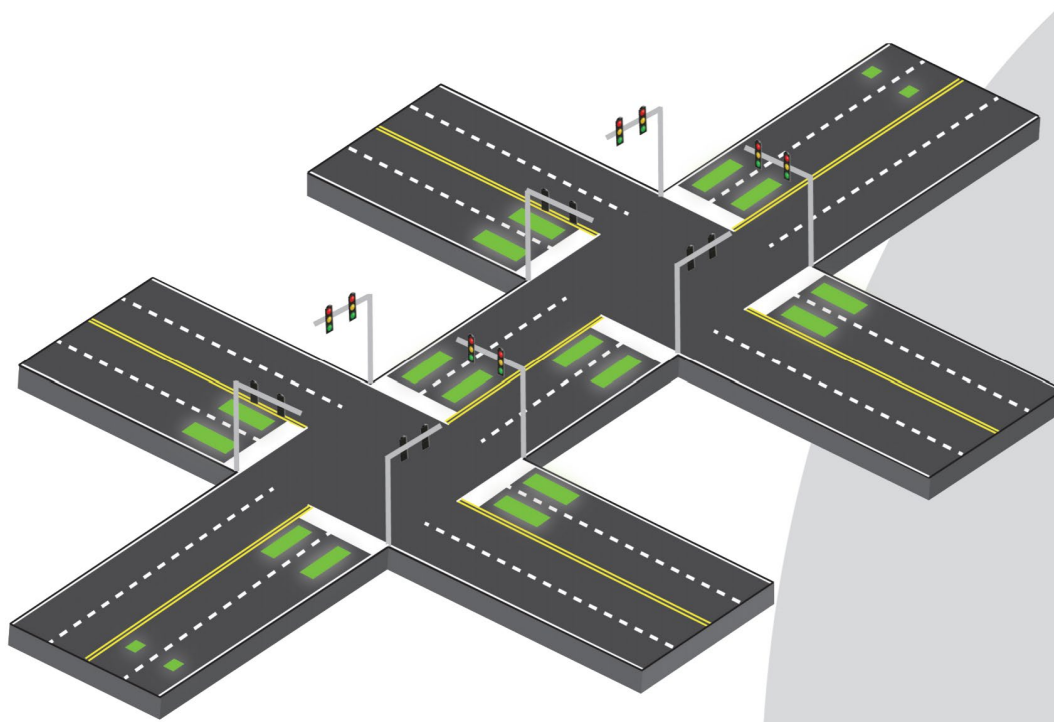


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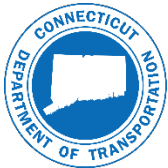


ATSC Technology – Detection is Key!



Fiber Communications

- Signals are currently connected via an existing copper line
- Existing fiber backbone will be used for future connections
- Connectivity to traffic lab, TMC and other future systems
- Not interrupting connection to copper during construction



Detection Technology

- GRIDSMAART at Stop bar
- Wavetronix for Advanced detection
- Detectors on all approaches



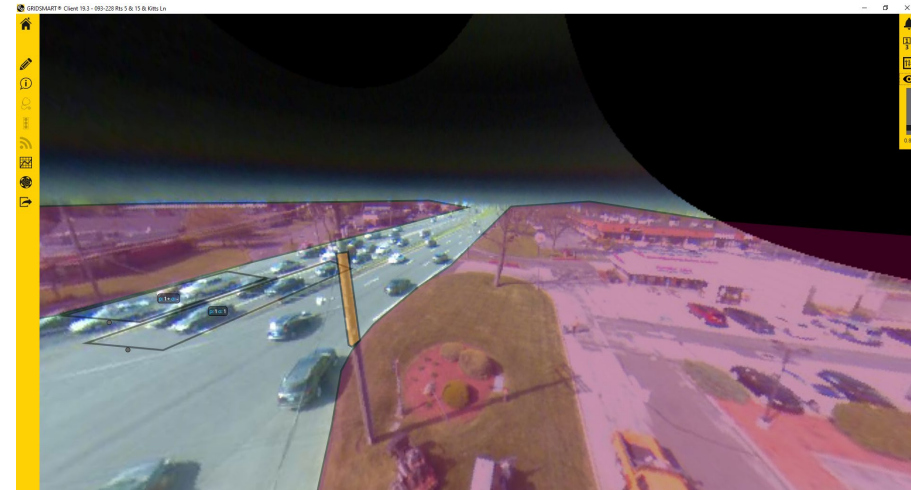
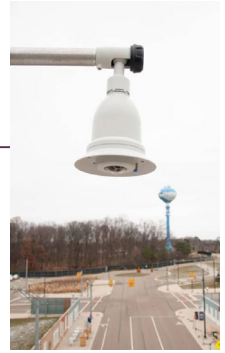
Detection Technology - GRIDSMART

- Bell Camera (single fisheye)
- GS₂ Processor
- GRIDSMART Client



Detection Technology - GRIDSMART

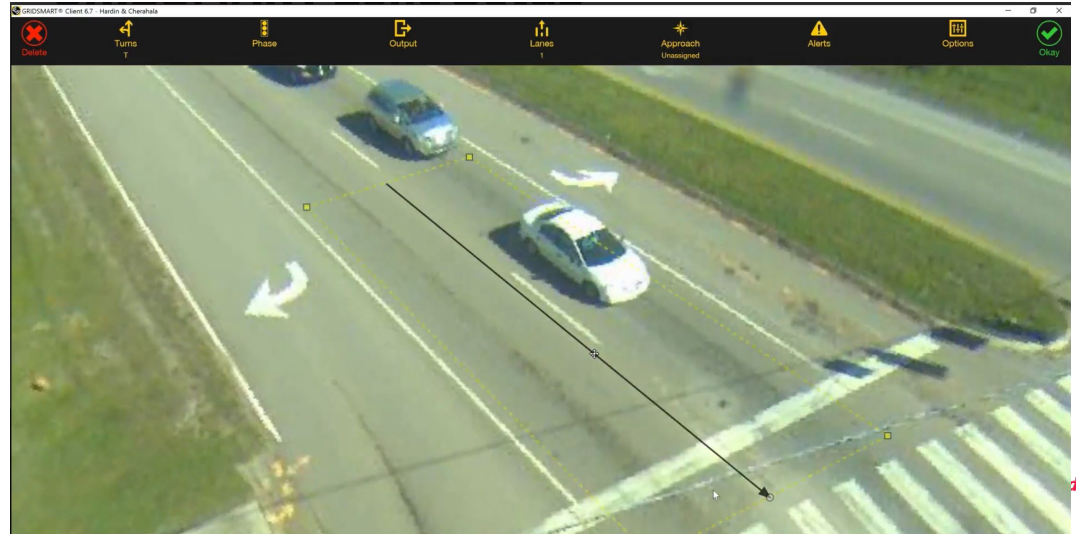
- Bell Camera (single fisheye)
 - Single camera provides Horizon to Horizon image of intersection
 - Virtual Pan-Tilt-Zoom
 - Traffic Counts – cars, trucks, motorcycles, bicycles, & pedestrians



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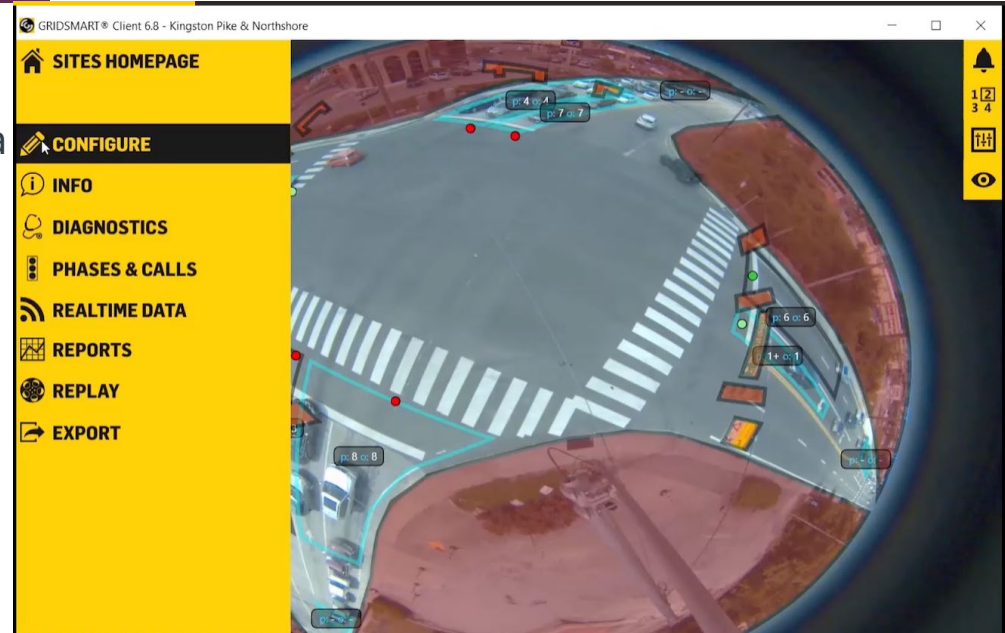
Detection Technology - GRIDSMArt

- GS₂ Processor
 - Tracks objects through the defined zones and intersection
 - Can support up to 2 fisheye cameras
 - Provides edge computing in the cabinet
 - Used for vehicle counts and actuation



Detection Technology - GRIDSMART

- GRIDSMART Client
 - Provides real-time access to data
 - Cloud back-up
 - View camera image
 - Generate performance reports
 - Automatic alerts



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Detection Technology - Wavetronix

- Radar Detector
 - Detection over 300' from the stop bar
- Automated Traffic Signal Performance Measures



Automated Traffic Signal Performance Measures (ATSPM)

- FHWA Every Day Counts – Round 4 (EDC-4)
- Allows for continuous monitoring of traffic signal operation using high-resolution data to evaluate performance
- What are Traffic Signal Performance Measures?
 - System or component failures
 - Cycle or Split failures
 - Delay
 - Speed
 - Travel Time
 - Progression Quality
 - Detector Status
 - Pedestrian Actuation
 - Red Light Running
 - Purdue Coordination Diagram
 - Number of Stops
 - Queue Length
 - Arrivals on Red
 - Arrivals on Green



Automated Traffic Signal Performance Measures (ATSPM)

- Objectives
 - Safety
 - Operations
 - Organizational
 - Maintenance
- How are ATSPM collected?
 - High Definition Controllers
 - Data Loggers or External Devices
 - Adaptive Signal Controllers and Software
 - FHWA Open Source software



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Automated Traffic Signal Performance Measures (ATSPM)

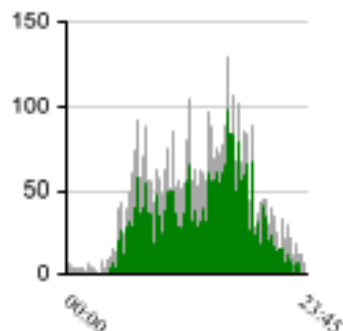
- How do we implement ATSPM?
 - Establish Goals
 - Select corresponding performance measures
 - Select data collection system
 - Advanced Traffic Signal Controllers
 - Establish System Communications
 - Fiber Interconnect to HQ
 - Establish Data Management
 - ATMS Open Source Code



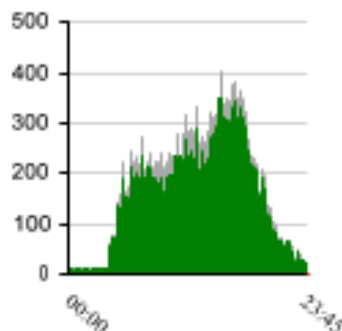
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Volume & Percent Arrivals on Green

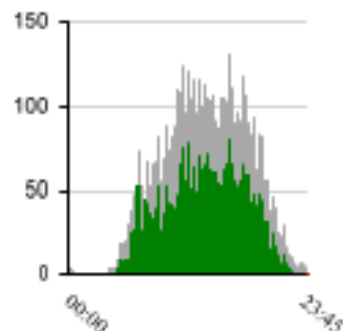
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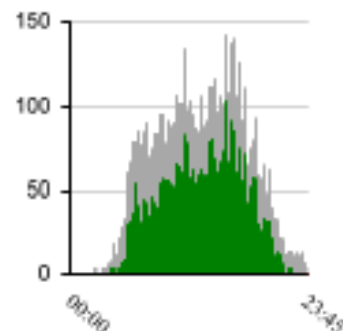
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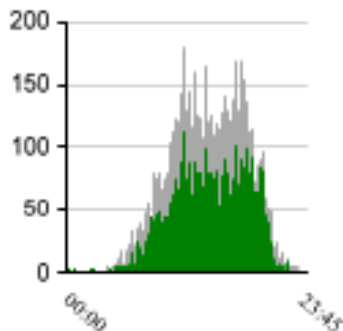
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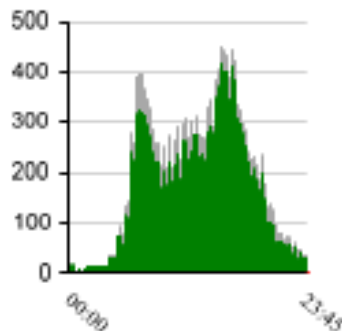
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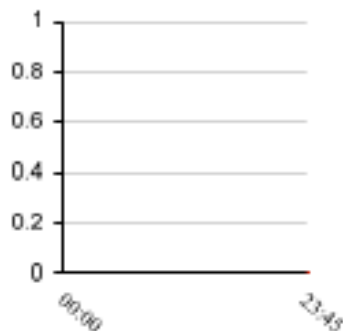
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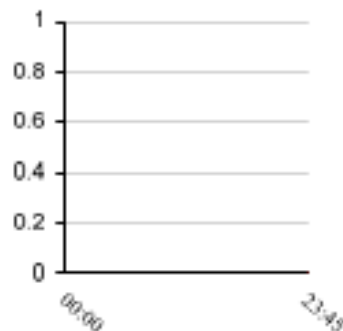
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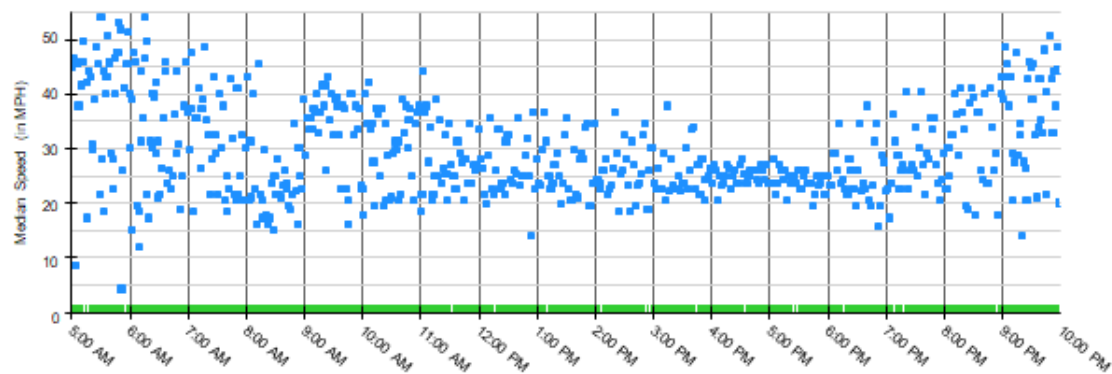
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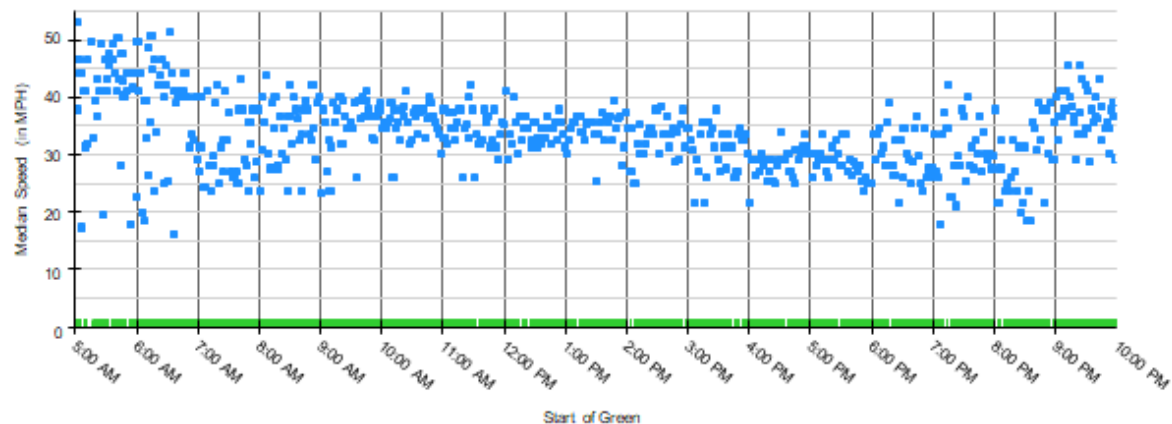
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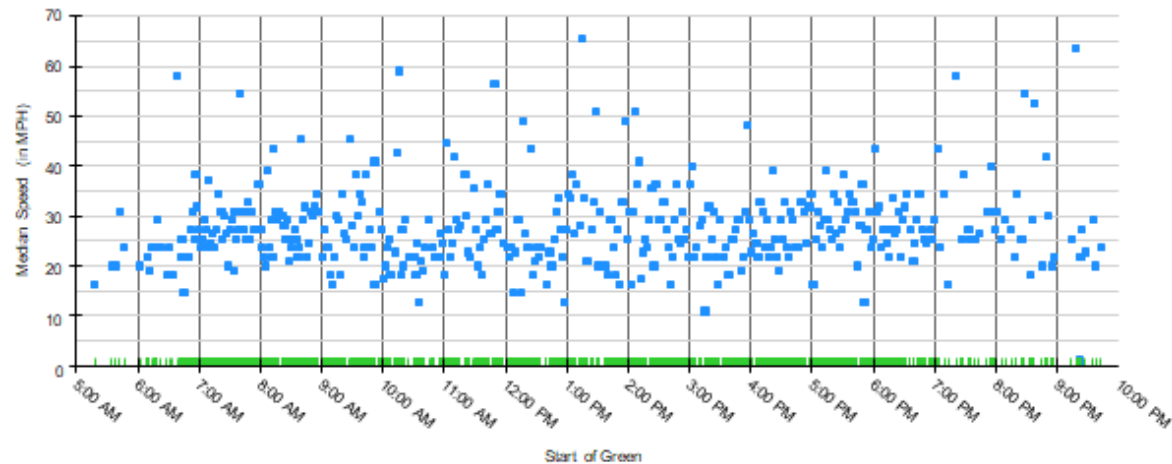
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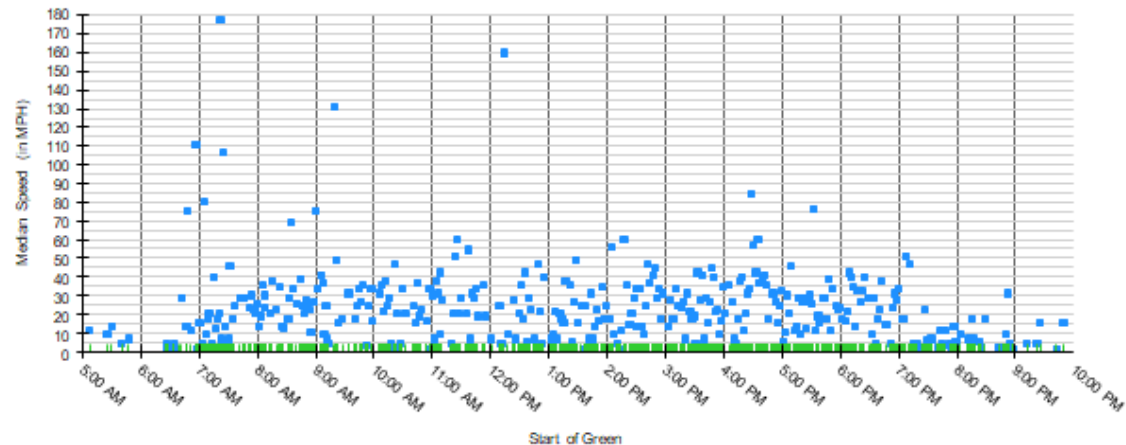
Northbound Phase 6



Westbound Phase 8



Eastbound Phase 4



Automated Traffic Signal Performance Measures (ATSPM)

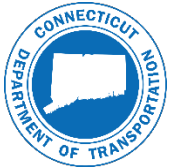
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- FHWA EDC-4:
https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/innovation/everydaycounts/edc_4/atspm.cfm
- NCHRP Project 03-122: Performance-Based Management of Traffic Signals
- Signal Performance Metrics Technical Information Purdue e-Pubs:
<http://docs.lib.purdue.edu/atspm/2016/Presentations/>
- AASHTO:
<http://aii.transportation.org/Pages/AutomatedTrafficSignalPerformanceMeasures.aspx>
- Utah DOT:
<http://udottraffic.utah.gov/signalperformancemetrics/>



Break

- 15 Minutes



Vendor Demonstration



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Lunch

- Restart at 12:45



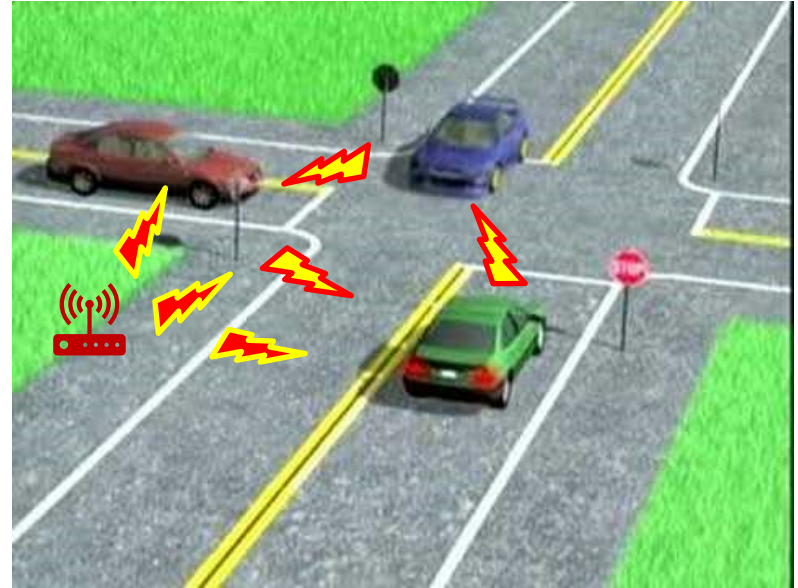
Connected Vehicle (CV) Technology

- Communication Link
- DSRC vs Cellular (5G C-V2X)
- Messaging
- OBUs & RSUs
- FCC and DSRC Licensing
- System Architecture + Security
- Edge Computing



CV Technology – Communication Link

- Device-to-Device
- Timely Delivery (10x per second)
- Reliable



CV Technology – DSRC & Cellular (5G & C-V2X)

- 5G
 - Viable solution – eventually
 - Deployment only recently started
 - Not yet widely available
- Cellular (C-V2X)
 - Revision of LTE standard
 - First release first half of 2017
 - Industry push (Ford, Qualcomm)
 - New technology – not as mature
 - More likely to change
 - No established FCC licensing procedure
- DSRC
 - Roots back in 1980's
 - FCC allocated spectrum in 1999
 - Based on IEEE 802.11 WiFi
 - adapted for simplified communications high speed moving vehicles (802.11p)
 - Adoption has been slow
 - Technology well tested and proven
 - Mature and developed standards
 - Established FCC licensing procedure
 - SPaT Challenge focus



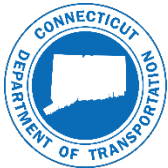
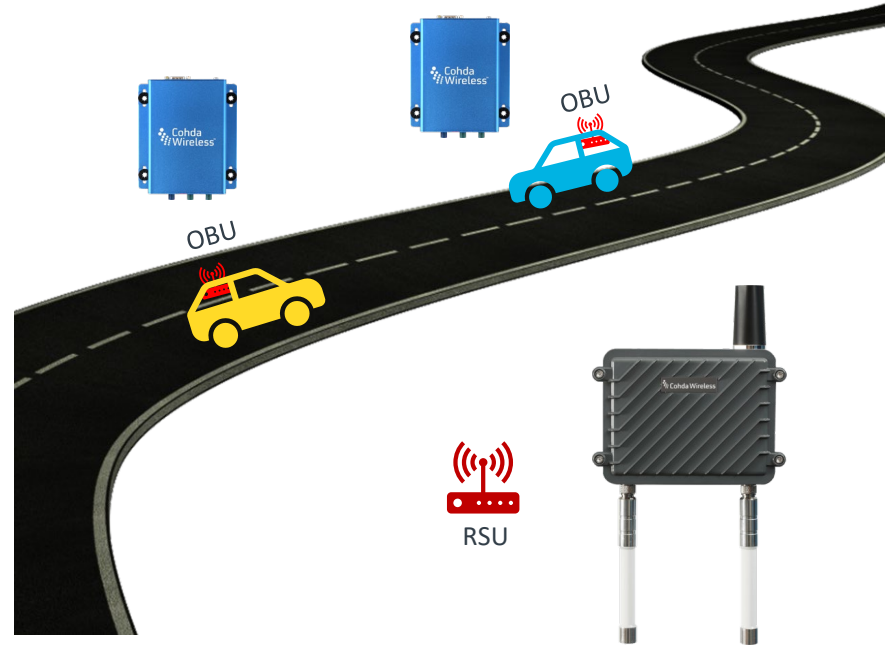
CV Technology – Messaging

- Once communications link established messages can be exchanged
- Based on SAE J2735 standard
 - Defines:
 - BSM – Basic Safety Message
 - MAP – Map Message
 - SPaT – Signal Phase and Timing
 - TIM – Traveler Information Message
 - and others



CV Technology – OBUs & RSUs

- OBU – On Board Unit
- RSU – Road Side Unit



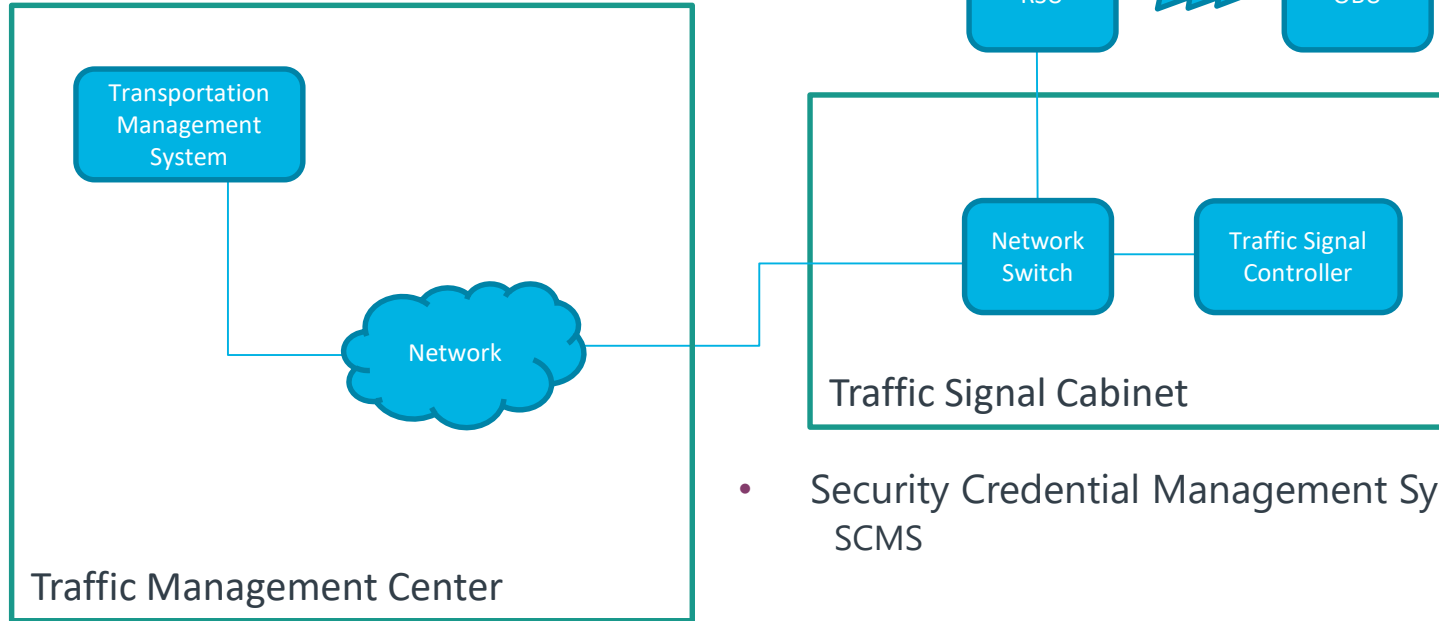
CV Technology – FCC and DSRC Licensing

- Clear Licensing Guidelines
- OBU – CFR 47, Part 95, subpart L
 - Special licensing not required
 - Maximum output power of 1.0 milliwatt
 - Can be mobile
- RSU – CFR 47, Part 90
 - Special Licensing is Required (higher output power)
 - Geographic area license
 - RSUs must be registered
 - Government Radiolocation Services conflicts
 - FCC will facilitate solution
 - Must be stationary while operating
 - Elevation restrictions



CV Technology – System Architecture

- Network based

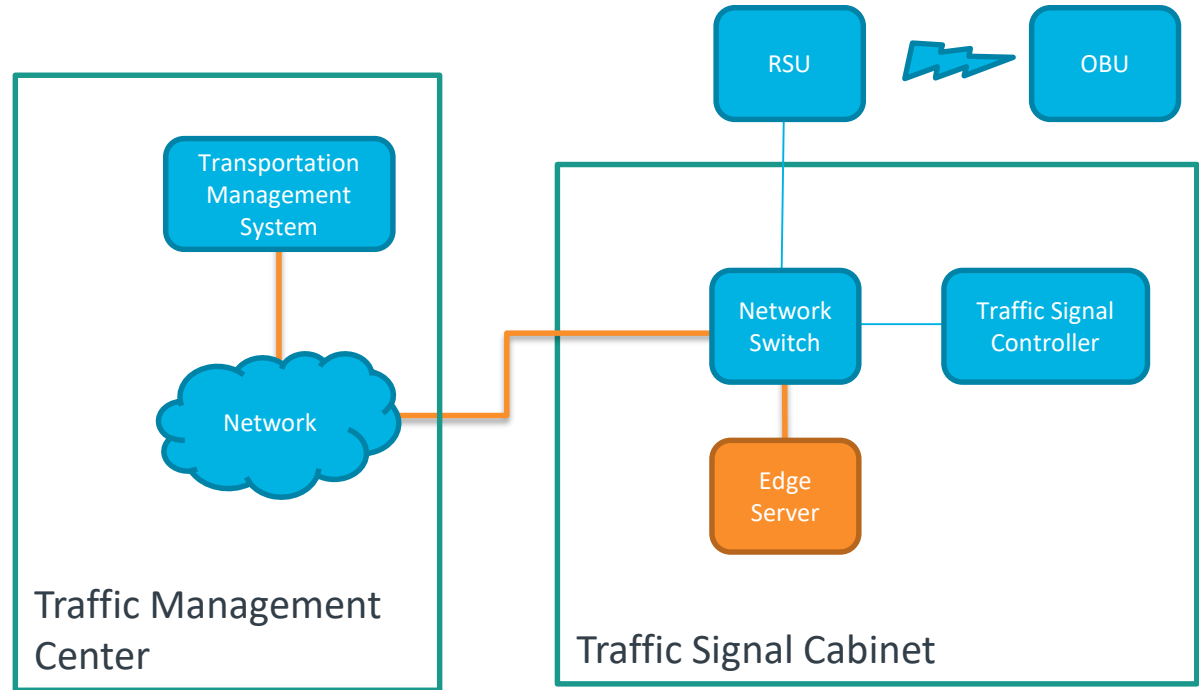


- Security Credential Management System SCMS



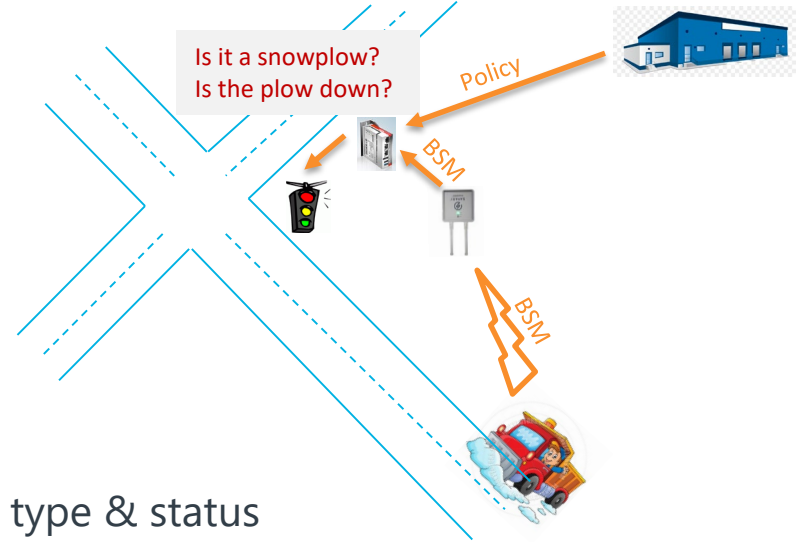
CV Technology – Edge Computing

- Local Processing
- Common Interface
- Reliable
- V2I-Hub

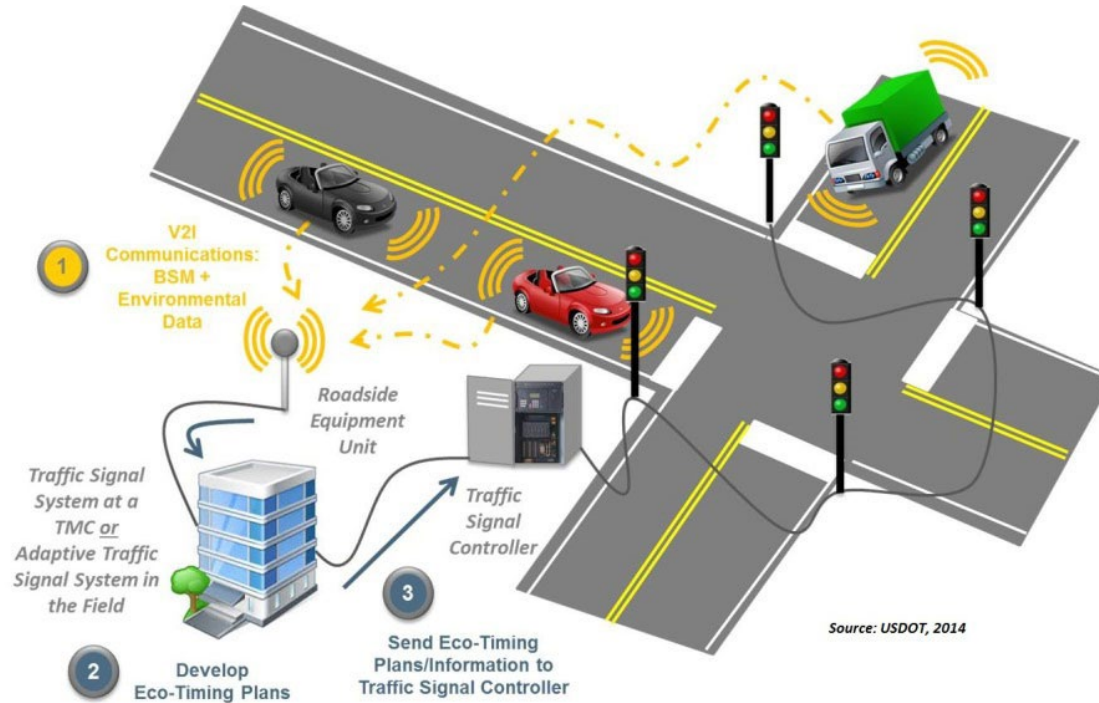


Snow Plow Pre-emption or Priority

- Device Types
 - Acoustic
 - Line of sight
 - Localized RF
 - GPS (requires communication)
 - RF or cellular
- Connected Vehicle Application
 - Vehicle OBU transmits BSM with vehicle type & status
 - Local edge server processes BSM
 - Edge server determine if preemption is required
 - Based on policy programmed from the Traffic Management System



Future Traffic Control with CV Technologies



Other Traffic Signal Equipment

- All new equipment
- Mast arms vs. Span wire
- Mast arm and foundation standards and details
- Backplates with yellow borders
- Polycarbonate signal heads
- Pedestrian crossings at select intersections
- Flashing yellow right/left turn arrows during pedestrian actuation at select intersections



Project Schedule

- Preliminary Engineering – September 2019
- Preliminary Design – February 2020
- Semi-Final Design - August 2020
- Final Design - November 2020
- Design Completion – March 2021
- Contractor Award - August 2021



Next Steps

- Complete PE and draft SEMP
- Consensus on conceptual mast arm traffic signal layouts
- Perform structural analysis of traffic signal mast arms



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