

Maryland Department of Transportation



Autonomous Vehicles and the Future of Transportation

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Connected Vehicles

Vehicle to Vehicle (V2V)

Vehicle to Infrastructure (V2I)

Vehicle to Pedestrian (V2P)

Driver Assist Technology

Adaptive Cruise Control

Lane Keeping Assist

Automatic Parking

Automatic Emergency
Braking

Driver Alerts & Warnings

Forward Collision Warning

Emergency Electronic
Brake Light

Blind Spot Warning

Lane Change Warning

Do Not Pass Warning

Curve Speed Warning

NHTSA Levels of Automation

Level	Example Systems	Driver Roles
0	No automation	In full control
1	Adaptive Cruise Control, OR Lane Keeping Assistance	Must control other function, and still continuously monitor driving environment
2	Adaptive Cruise Control AND Lane Keeping Assistance	Must still continuously monitor the driving environment (system nags driver to ensure they are paying attention)
3	Highway driving pilot; Valet parking in garage	May read a book, text, watch a movie, but must still be prepared to intervene when needed
4	Automated taxi (even for children); Car-share repositioning system	No driver needed

The Maryland Department of Transportation is a customer-driven leader that delivers safe, sustainable, intelligent, and exceptional transportation solutions in order to connect our customers to life's opportunities

How can AV and CV move us forward?

- More than 90% of traffic crashes caused by driver error, and with automation of compliance with safety laws, driver errors and crashes can be significantly reduced
- Reducing crashes also reduces demand for law enforcement response, emergency rescue and medical services, and infrastructure repair
- Connected and interactive transportation network adapts to changing roadway conditions, improves traffic flow in real time, reduces congestion, delays, & emissions

Possible Benefits

- Increase mobility of young, elderly, and those with disabilities
- Potential synergies with Car-sharing
- Truck parking, real-time parking & routing
- Decrease operator insurance costs
- Provide easier first-and last-mile connections with major transit corridors
- Efficiencies in freight / transportation of goods and economic activity

Complex Issues

- Are they safe?
- Who is the “Driver”?
- Who is liable?
- What safety standards apply?
- Do current rules of the road laws apply?
- What infrastructure changes will be needed?
- How do we plan for changing technologies?
- Will this affect transportation investments?



MDOT's Involvement to Date

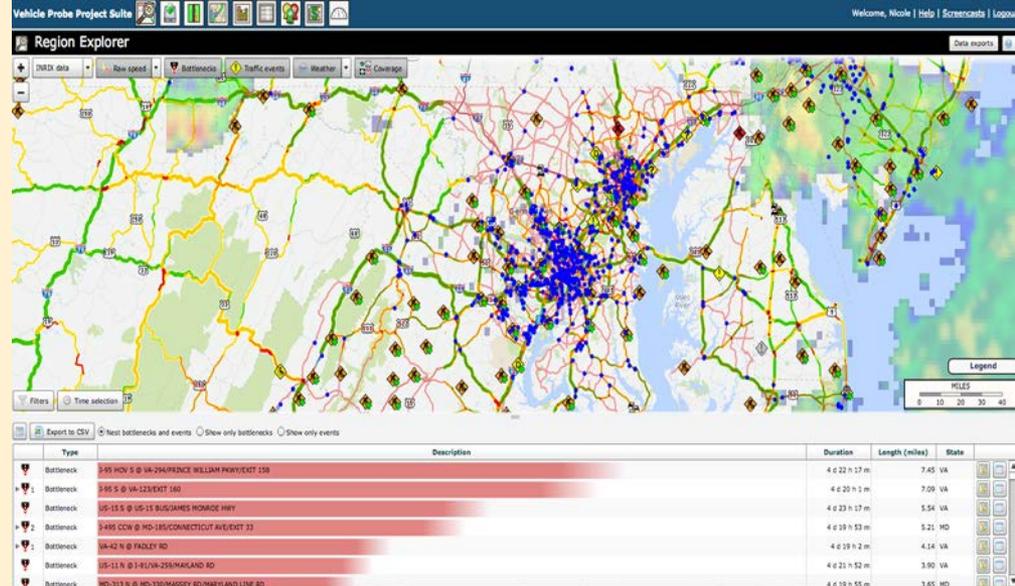
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Current MDOT CV/AV Applications



- Supporting Operations – CHART
- Planning for CV/AV: Truck Probe Data
- Evaluating Potential CV Test Bed Opportunity with USDOT/FHWA
- Research and Analysis with Federally Sponsored Programs: CV Lanes

Research & Gathering Information

- Public policy to facilitate implementation
- Implications of AV for motor vehicle code
- Harmonization of state goals & regulations
- Business models of public & private interface
- Federal / state / local responsibilities
- Lessons learned from other states' pilots & policies

Participation in National Discussions and Workgroups

- Transportation Research Board of the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine
- Pooled Fund Studies with other States on Implementation Options
- American Association of State Highway Transportation Officials- (AASHTO) studies for planning, technology, State implications and integration
- USDOT & its agencies - Federal Highway Administration, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration
 - FHWA leading work on truck platooning

Participation in National Discussions and Workgroups

American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators (AAMVA)

Autonomous Vehicle Info Sharing Group

- Began in 2013 to analyze state laws and develop AV Information Library on AAMVA's website
- Focus on operator training, testing & licensing, vehicle registration & title, data privacy, security concerns and consumer safety

Autonomous Vehicle Working Group

- AAMVA jurisdictions, law enforcement, federal agencies
- Guide to assist state MVAs in regulating AVs – Best Practices – will be developed by Fall 2016

Maryland Autonomous & Connected Vehicle Working Group

- Secretary Pete Rahn charged this group to be central point of strategic planning of MDOT's role with AVs/CVs
- High-level group with diverse cross-section of members:
 - Secretary's Office and all business units within MDOT—MVA, SHA, MTA, MPA, MAA, & MdTA
 - Trucking Industry
 - Law Enforcement
 - County Public Works
 - Insurance Administration
 - Global Auto Makers
 - Department of Aging
 - Department of Disabilities
 - Department of Information Technology
 - Elected Officials
 - AAA

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Presentations

- Nat Beuse, NHTSA
- Ray Derr, Transportation Research Board
 - ❑ National Cooperative Highway Research Program
 - ❑ Pooled fund program
- Cathie Curtis, AAMVA
- Thomas Jacobs, UMD Ctr of Advanced Transportation Technology
- Greg Slater & Richard Woo, State Highway Administration
- Pat Keller & Laura Getty, Maryland Transit Administration
- Mark Riccobono, President, National Federation of the Blind

What Can You Do?

- Stay aware of the evolving technology and any possible effects on your jurisdiction
- Watch for updates from your MACo representative on the Maryland Workgroup
- Convey any concerns to be discussed at the Workgroup
- Help your constituents to stay informed of vehicle changes
 - mycardoeswhat.org

Next Steps



- Position Maryland to be responsive to emerging technology
- Prepare for recommendations from Federal Agencies
- Identify future economic development opportunities