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#### Yellow Line: Paving the Road Green Line: Policy and Legal Issues Blue Line: Implementation Challenges Orange Line: Navigating the Road Ahead

Smart Planning

General Plan Revisions

Autonomous Only

Mobility Readiness Studies

Reduce Legal Ambiguities

· Technology analysis as part

Code Review and

of future infrastructure

Regional Collaboration

Zones?

Revisions

· Benefits?

projects?

#### Introductions

## HELLO

my name is

### Perfect Innovation Storm

- Urban Living and Working
- Ridesharing
- Smart Transportation / Smart Cities
- Innovation and Investment
- "Millenials"
- Public-Private-Partnerships (P3's)

## **Emerging Trends**

- Innovation and Technology
  - Driverless, Connected Vehicles and Drones (UAS)
  - Chief Innovation Officers?
- Increased Urban Populations
  - DOT Beyond Traffic 2045
  - Transit Oriented Development
  - "Ladders of Opportunity"
- "Innovative" Financing
  - aka "Creative"

## FAST Act and Innovation

- Ongoing Challenge
  - Government Adoption of Technology
- Technology and Innovation Deployment Program
- Alternative Fuels Corridor
- University Transportation
  Centers Program
- Safety and Technology
  - Positive Train Control

## Infrastructure Funding

- National Surface Transportation and Innovative Finance Bureau
- Freight, Freight FASTLANE Grants
- BUT, NO Long-Term Federal Revenue Solution
  - More P3's?
  - More federal low interest loans?
  - More sales tax measures?
  - Vehicles Miles Traveled Fees?
- Efficient Use of Public \$\$\$
  - "Dig Once"
  - Smart Planning / Collaboration
  - Billion Dollar Projects?

### On the Horizon

- Introduction to Policy and Legal Issues of Autonomous Vehicles
- Infrastructure and Implementation Challenges
- Practical Steps to Consider Now

### **Legal and Policy Issues**

- Insurance / Liability
- Regulation?
  - New Autonomous Vehicles Code?
  - Preemption?
- Infrastructure?
  - Build-Out New Roads?
  - Spectrum (Pokemon Go vs. V2V Communication)
- Less Municipal Revenues
- Privacy and Cybersecurity

## Are we ready for this?



"Speeding, officer? You'll have to ask the self-driving car."

## **Public Safety**

- Enforcement
  - Licensing / Certification?
  - Insurance?
- Who is "Driver"?
  - Computer vs. Human
- Driverless vs. Semi-Autonomous
- NHTSA Guidelines
  - Safe operation...but
    - Crosses "legal borders"

## **Potential Liability**

- Insurance
  - Switch to Product Liability?
    - Liability Waiver?
  - Cyberinsurance?
- Street Design
  - Parking and Drop Off
    - ADA Access
  - Pedestrians and Bikes
- Connectvity? (V2V and V2I)
- Privacy and Cybersecurity
  - More Data More Problems...

### **Smart Planning**

- General Plan Revisions
  - Autonomous Only Zones?
- Mobility Readiness Studies
  - Regional Collaboration
- Reduce Legal Ambiguities
  - Code Review and Revisions
  - Benefits?
- Technology analysis as part of future infrastructure projects?

#### Infrastructure

- What will be needed?
  - Sensors and Transmitters?
  - Signs and Lane Markings?
  - DOT Smart City Challenge
    - Best Practices?
- What about spectrum?
  - · Cars vs. Pokemon Go
- How to pay for it?
  - User taxes?
  - Tolling?
  - · Franchises?

### Preemption?

- NHTSA Guidelines and Model Policies
- Federal legislation
  - More authority to DOT?
  - New agency within DOT?
- State Autonomy vs.
  Operation Across
  State Lines

## Human Behavior and Change



## Opportunities from Challenges

- Transportation Partnerships
  - "First and Last Mile"
- Innovative Redevelopment
  - Testing Areas / Research
  - Pilot Projects / Grants
- Smart Cities and Connections
  - Increased mobility and affordable housing
    - TOD's

#### Consider This...

- The Future?
  - No car ownership in cities?
  - On Demand Mobility One Stop App?
  - Less Roads and Congestion?
- "Innovation distinguishes between a leader and a follower" - Steve Jobs

### Time is Right For...

- Smart Planning and Collaboration to Maximize Benefits
  - Safer Roads
  - Mobility for Seniors and Disabled
  - "Not all roses"
    - Likely job losses, safety concerns
- Steps to Consider:
  - Make your voice heard / Outreach
  - General Plan Updates
  - Review of Codes and Ordinances
  - Technology analysis with new infrastructure projects

## Goals!



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