Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) Program

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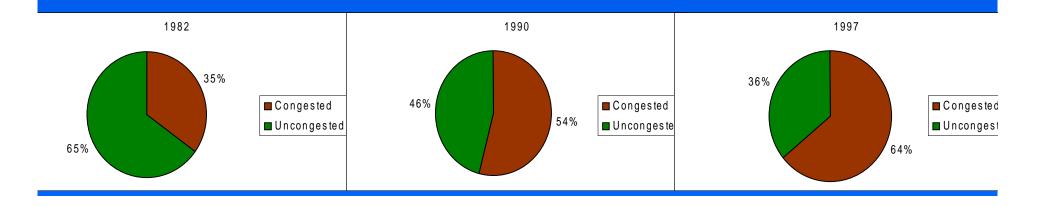
Congestion

\$72 Billion per Year in Lost Time and Fuel

About \$755 per driver per year or \$3 per working day

260% Increase in Delay from 1982-1997
200% Increase in Wasted Fuel

6.7 Billion gallons of fuel wasted due to congestion



Possible Solutions

- Increase Capacity
 - It would take an annual addition of 1,087 lane-miles of freeway and 1,432 lane miles of arterials each year to maintain current mobility levels



- This equates to an additional 181 miles of a six-lane freeway and 360 miles of a four-lane arterial
- Reduce Demand
 - Lower the Number of Vehicles (e.g., transit, HOV, land use pattern changes)
 - Need to eliminate an additional 6.7 million trips per year
- Manage Both More Effectively
 - Flexible work hours, telecommuting, etc.
 - Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS)

ITS

- Combines information and communications technologies to manage surface transportation networks and improve operational efficiency and safety
- Includes a wide variety of current and evolving technologies that, when effectively integrated and deployed, offer a number of benefits including more efficient use of energy resources and significant improvement in safety, mobility, accessibility, productivity, and air quality

TEA-21 ITS PROGRAM

ITS Deployment Program (\$679M)				ITS Research &
				Development
				(\$603M)
ITS		Commercial Vehicle		•R & D
Integration		Infrastructure		•Architecture & Standards
Program		Program		•Training
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		Information Systems		
		and Networks (CVISN)		

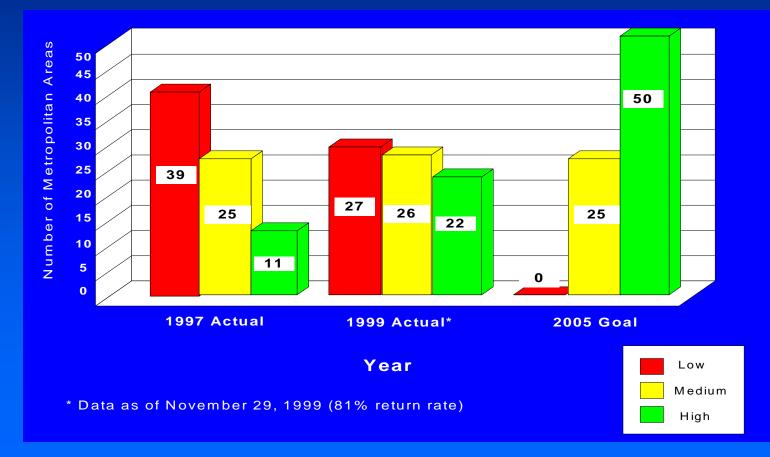
Overall ITS Program

- Travel Management
- Metropolitan
 - Rural
 - Commercial Vehicle Operations
 - IVI
 - Architecture
 - Standards
 - Training/Technical Assistance

Metropolitan ITS Strategies

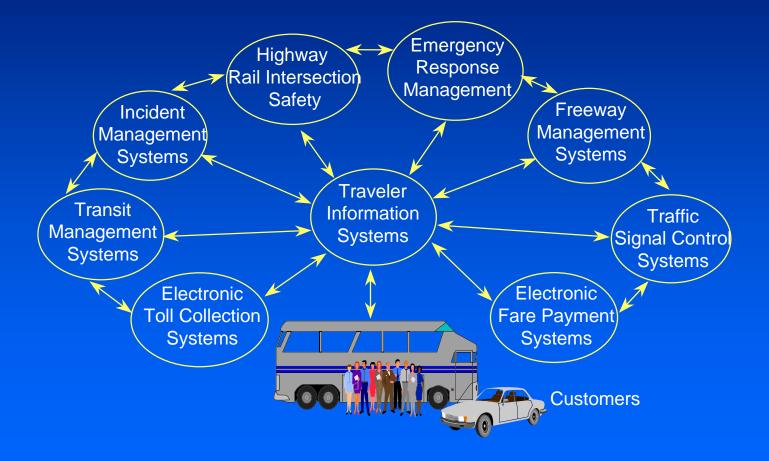


Progress in Integrated Metropolitan ITS Deployment



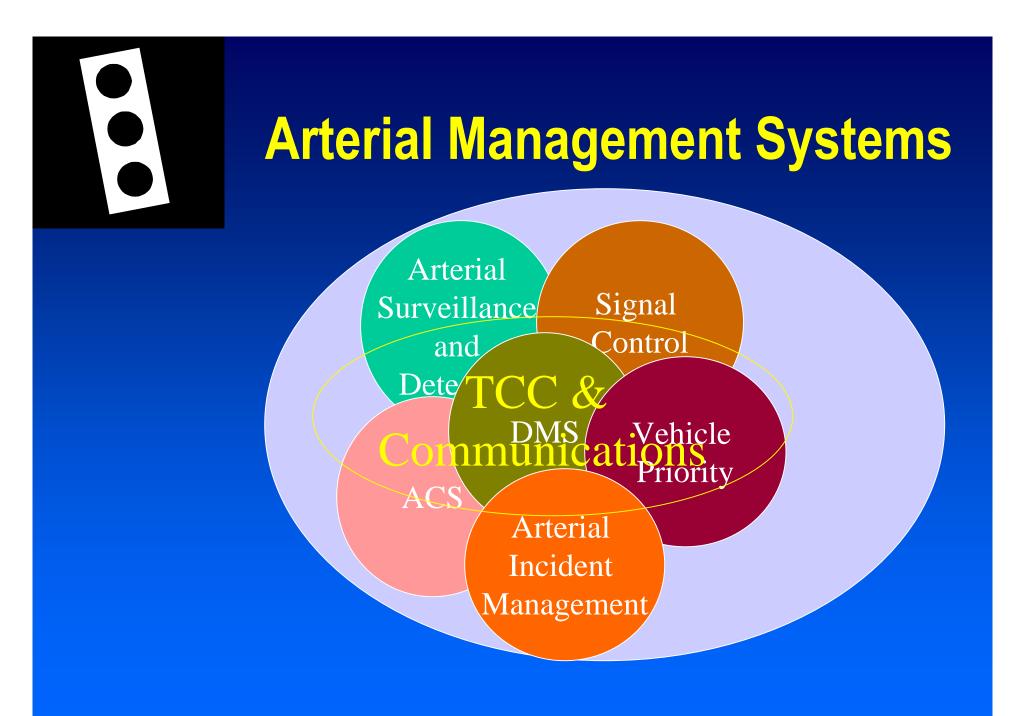
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Integration is Key



Freeway Management Systems

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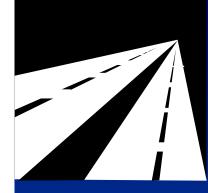
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Synergism of a System

1 + 1 = 3 or More A System is greater than the Sum of its parts

Due to the Relationships between System elements that create the Added Value

The higher the Coupling between System elements, the higher the Synergism



Freeway Management Systems

Freeway Management Systems are used to manage travel, control traffic and monitor roadway conditions by:

- Monitoring traffic & roadway conditions and assessing performance
- Identifying recurring and non-recurring flow impediments
- Implementing various management and control strategies to smooth the flow of traffic (e.g., ramp metering, HOV, traffic diversion)
- Providing critical information to travelers through DMS, HAR, etc.
- Lead to Reduction in Fuel Use and Emissions



Freeway Management Systems

St-Paul MN

When Meters were turned off:

- 14% decline in throughput during peak traffic conditions
- 22% increase in travel times
- 91% decrease in travel time reliability
- 14% decrease in travel speeds
- 26% increase in crashes
- Increased emissions (1,160 tons annually)

Increased Speed Variability Detector: 3136 – 94/25AvE3 Time (Hour of Day) :15 :30 :45 16 :15 :30 :45 17 :15 :30 :45 18 80 Speed (Miles per Hour) 60 **40** 20

Arterial Management Systems



- Arterial Management Systems are used to manage traffic and control arterial roadways by:
 - Deploying signal systems that react to changing traffic conditions
 - Coordinating traffic signals to improve traffic flow and increase throughput
 - Collecting and processing real-time information
 - Providing emergency and transit vehicle priority

Lead to Reduction in Fuel Use and Emissions

Arterial Management Systems

- System in Phoenix, Paris, Toronto, Los Angeles indicate a reduction in fuel use between 2% and 13%
- The Fairfax, Prince William and Loudon county signalized control (700 signals), when optimized showed a 6% reduction in stops, a 22% reduction in system delay, a 9% reduction in fuel consumption, and annual emissions for CO, Nox and VOC reduced by 134,000 kg.
- The Toronto SCOOT (75 signals) found an 8% decrease in travel time, 22% decrease in stops, 17% decrease in delay, 5.7% decrease in fuel consumption, 3.7% decrease in HC and 5% decrease in CO
- Los Angeles (1,170 signals)
 - 41% reduction in stops
 - 18% reduction in travel time
 - 44% reduction in delay
 - 14% reduction in emissions
 - 13% reduction in fuel use

- Richmond CBD (262 signals)
- > Travel Time (9% 14%)
- > Delay (14% 30%)
- > Stops (28% 39%)
- > Fuel use (10% 12%)
- > Emissions (5% 22%)



Incident Management Programs

- Programs to quickly identify and respond to incidents that occur on freeways and major arterials
 - Coordinate incident management across jurisdictional boundaries
 - Improve response time
 - Reduce traveler delay and safety



Lead to Reduction in Fuel Use and Emissions



Incident Management Programs

- Nationally incidents account for 60% of traffic delays
- San Antonio Transguide 2600 gallons of fuel saved during a major incident
- The Maryland CHART, in 1997, saved:
 - 15,6 million vehicle hours of delay
 - 5.85 million gallons of fuel
- San Francisco Freeway Service Patrol saves:
 - 32kg/day of HC
 - 322kg/day of CO
 - 798kg/day of Nox

Electronic Toll Collection

Roadside and in-vehicle technology that allows vehicles to pay electronically and go through toll plazas without stopping

- Reduces delays at toll-collection plazas
- Reduces stops
- Increases throughput
- Reduces costs

Lead to Reduction in Fuel Use and Emissions



Electronic Toll Collection

Orlando, Florida ETC

- 30% increase in No. of vehicles
 - CO reduced by 7.29%
 - HC reduced by 7.19%

Tappan Zee Bridge

• Throughput increase 122%

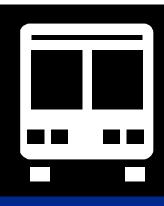
Oklahoma Pike ETC

- > 72% reduction for CO
 - > 83% reduction for HC
 - >45% reduction for Nox

Transit Management Systems



- Transit Management Systems help to:
 - Provide safety and security to passengers by allowing remote monitoring
 - Provide real-time information to travelers
 - Assist operators in maintaining fleets of vehicles
 - Improve and maintain scheduling activities by using AVL
 - Optimize travel times



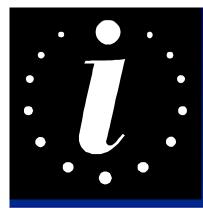
Transit Management Systems

Kansas City Area

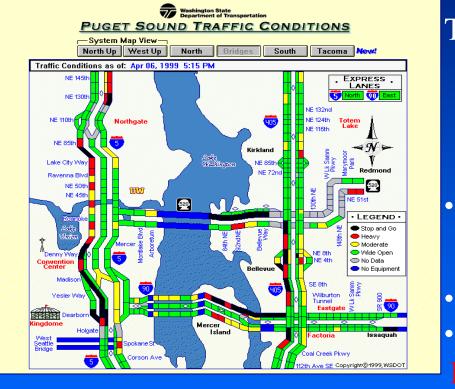
- 12% improved on-time performance using AVL
 Milwaukee
- 28% decrease in the number of buses more than one minute behind

Baltimore

• 23% improved on-time performance using AVLequipped buses



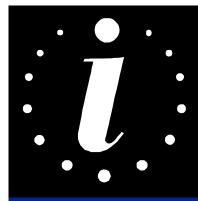
Traveler Information Systems



Traveler Information Systems provide timely, real-time travel information enabling the traveler to make informed transportation choices

- Promote regional coordination in collecting, processing and presenting information
- Reduce congestion
- Increase transit use

Lead to Reduction in Fuel Use and Emissions



Traveler Information Systems

San Antonio Transguide

- Travelers that use web site for traffic information
 - 5.4% reduction in delay
 - 0.5% reduction in crash rate
 - 1.8% reduction in fuel consumption
- Travelers using IVN devices
 - 8.1% reduction in delay
 - 4.5% reduction in crash rate
 - 3% reduction in fuel consumption

Pre-trip ATIS services reduce delay, crash risk and fuel consumption

Seattle and Boston

- Provided with better traveler information, 50% change route, 45% change time of travel
 - 498kg/day reduction of VOC (25%)
 - 25kg/day reduction of Nox (1.5%)
 - 5032kg/day reduction of CO (33%)

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Additional ITS Web Resources

- ITS Joint Program Office:
 - http//:www.its.dot.gov
- ITS Electronic Document Library (EDL): <u>– http//:its.fhwa.dot.gov/cyberdocs/welcome.htm</u>
- ITS Cooperative Deployment Network (ICDN):
 - http//:www.nawgits.com/jpo/
- ITS America
 - http://www.itsa.org/