# 2016 Freeway Management Survey

### AGENCY CHARACTERISTICS

1. Total freeway centerline miles operated by your agency:

### **SURVEILLANCE**

- 2. Total number of freeway centerline miles with real-time traffic data collection technologies (does not include Closed Circuit TV or CCTV):
- 2. a. Number of these miles where real-time traffic data are collected using roadside infrastructure such as loops, radar detectors, or video imaging detector systems:
- 2. b. Number of these miles where real-time traffic data are collected by vehicle probe readers:
- 3. What type of vehicle probe readers are used to obtain traffic information? (Check all that apply)

Toll tag readers
Blue tooth readers
Cellular phone readers
GPS readers
License plate recognition
Do not collect vehicle probe data
Other readers (please specify):

- 4. Total number of freeway traffic surveillance detector stations deployed by your agency:
- 5. For each of the following technologies, please indicate the number deployed by your agency.

Loop stations:

Radar stations:

Video imaging detector stations:

Toll tag readers:

Other stations (please specify):

6. Does your agency gather crowdsourced data concerning freeway conditions including incidents?

Yes

How are the data collected? (Check all that apply)

Cellular phone using a dedicated number

Waze

Google maps traffic

Contracted third-party commercial provider (e.g., Inrix, HERE)

Custom-built smartphone app

Other stations (please specify):

### RAMP CONTROL

- 7. Total number of freeway entrance ramps operated by your agency:
- 8. Does your agency have freeway entrance ramp metering?

Yes

No

- 9. Total number of ramps with ramp metering:
- 10. Total number of metered ramps with priority access for bus/HOV:
- 11. Is ramp meter timing adjusted in coordination with nearby arterial traffic signal timing to manage queues that form on the ramp?

Yes

No

12. How is ramp meter timing adjusted? (Check all that apply)

Time of day

Dynamic, based on traffic conditions near the ramp

Dynamic, and integrated with other meters to control traffic along a corridor

Other (Please specify):

### MANAGED LANES

13. Screening question: Does your agency operate managed lanes on the freeway?

Yes

No

- 13. a. Total number of freeway centerline miles featuring managed lanes:
- 13. b. Please provide the estimated number of freeway centerline miles for each type of managed lane strategy:

Occupancy control (HOV):

Reversible flow:

Lane open/closed (traffic incidents, roadway maintenance, etc.):

Truck only:

High Occupancy Toll (HOT):

Other congestion pricing strategies:

Other managed lane strategy (please specify):

## MODELING AND DECISION SUPPORT

14. Does your agency use any Analysis, Modeling and Simulation (AMS) tools to optimize/model the freeway system?

Yes

Please specify:

## 15. Has your agency deployed a decision support system to assist in operations of the following? (Check all that apply)

Road weather management

Incident management

Adaptive ramp metering

Roadside device maintenance

**Emergency management** 

Evacuation

No decision support system deployed

Other (please specify):

### AUTOMATED ENFORCEMENT

### 16. Screening question: Does your agency deploy automated enforcement on freeways?

Yes

No

### 16. a. What type of enforcement is covered? (Check all that apply)

Speed

High occupancy vehicle lane

Truck lane

Toll booth

High occupancy toll (HOT)lane

Other (Please specify):

#### 16. b. What automated enforcement technologies are used? (Check all that apply)

License plate recognition

Cameras

Toll tag readers

Radar

Other (Please specify):

#### SAFETY AND ROAD WEATHER MANAGEMENT

#### 17. Has your agency deployed any of the following safety systems? (Check all that apply)

Over-height warning system

Automated and/or manual freeway ramp gates

Reference Location Signs

**Dynamic Curve Warning System** 

Downhill truck speed warning

Variable speed limits

Speed harmonization

Queue warnings

Wireless truck roadside inspection

None of the above

Other (please specify):

## 18. Has your agency deployed any Weigh-in-Motion (WIM) technology (that allows for the capture and recording of heavy vehicles' axle and gross weight while the vehicle is traveling at normal traffic speed)?

Yes

19. What are your agency's sources of weather and road weather information? (Check all that apply)

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National Weather Service products
FAA (ASOS, AWOS, etc.)
USGS earthquake alerts
Agency field personnel
Agency field sensors (RWIS/ESS, probes, etc.)
National sensor data sources (Clarus/MADIS)
Private providers
Other (please specify):
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20. Does your agency employ safety warning systems related to road weather events?

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Yes
What hazards are covered? (Check all that apply)
High wind
Icy roads
Fog
Dust
Other
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21. Has your agency deployed any Environmental Sensor Stations (ESS)?

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Yes

How many?

What data are collected by ESS and in-pavement sensors? (Check all that apply)

Pavement temperature

Pavement surface condition

Pavement precipitation

Temperature

Humidity

Wind speed

Precipitation (rain)

Precipitation (snow)

Visibility

Other (please specify):
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22. Is your agency using or planning to use a Maintenance Decision Support System (MDSS) for winter maintenance? (MDSS includes software systems that provide strategic and tactical weather forecasts, support treatment decision making and provide summary.)

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Yes, agency uses an MDSS
Yes, considering (pilot project, used partially, used in one district)
No, agency needs an MDSS, but does not have a system
No, agency does not need an MDSS
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## INCIDENT MANAGEMENT/WORK ZONE MANAGEMENT

- 23. Total number of freeway centerline miles patrolled by service patrol:
- 24. Please provide the number of freeway centerline miles covered by the following incident detection/verification methods:

Closed Circuit Television (CCTV):

Call boxes:

Computer algorithms to detect incidents:

Other (please specify):

- 25. Total number of Closed Circuit Television (CCTV) cameras deployed on freeways:
- 26. Does your agency deploy ITS technology at work zones?

Yes

What ITS technologies does your agency deploy at work zones? (Check all that apply)

Intrusion alarm

Dynamic lane merge system

Queue detection and alert system

Variable speed limit

Travel time system

Route guidance around work zones

Portable traffic monitoring devices

Portable CCTV

Temporary ramp metering

Other (please specify):

No

## TRAVELER INFORMATION

- 27. . Number of freeway centerline miles covered by Highway Advisory Radio (HAR):
- 28. Total number of permanent Dynamic Message Signs (DMS) deployed on freeways:
- 29. Does your agency have an agreement with a private vendor to push mobile alerts regarding incidents, roadway conditions, etc. to mobile media?

Yes

30. What methods are used to disseminate traveler information on freeways by your agency? (Check all that apply)

511

Truck-specific 511

Twitter

Facebook

LinkedIn

YouTube

**Podcasts** 

**Pinterest** 

Other social media sites (please specify in part b below)

Email or alert

Custom-built smartphone app

Other app for mobile device

**Dynamic Message Signs** 

Website

Highway Advisory Radio

Other (please specify):

36b. If applicable, please describe other social media sites:

31. Do you report freeway travel time data?

Yes

What freeway travel time data are reported? (Check all that apply)

Travel time by segment

Travel time over selected route

Other (please specify):

No

32. Does your agency have an open data policy with a feed available for app developers, information service providers or the public?

Yes

No, but agency is working on this

No current plans for an open data policy

### SYSTEM PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENT

33. Does your agency have documented operational objectives and performance measures for the freeway system?

Yes

Has your agency established targets for the performance measures?

Yes

No

34. Does your agency use archived operations data to track freeway system performance?

Yes

What are the archived operations data used for? (Check all that apply)

Real-time Operations (e.g., used in real-time to adjust system operations)

Capital planning/analysis

Operations planning/analysis

Dissemination to the public

Planning/analysis of work zone design

Other (please specify):

No

35. Which of the following measures are used to report on the performance of the freeway system? (Check all that apply)

Average speed

Average delay per vehicle

Delay per incident

Frequency of severe congestion

Volume on HOV facilities

Truck volume

Travel time

Travel time reliability

Vehicles per lane per mile

Vehicles per hour

Person throughput per lane per hour

Person throughput per hour

Performance measures are not used

Other (please specify):

## INTEGRATED CORRIDOR MANAGEMENT

This section focuses on corridor operations and seeks to understand whether and how your agency coordinates with other agencies to actively manage operations within a corridor, such that performance is optimized for the corridor as a whole (rather than optimizing performance on individual facilities). Please refer these questions to appropriate person(s) in your agency.

<u>For the purposes of these questions, a corridor is defined as</u>: a largely linear geographic band that serves a particular travel market (or markets) affected by similar transportation needs and mobility issues. The corridor includes multiple facilities (e.g., freeway, arterial and public transit) with cross-facility connections.

36. Have you identified corridor(s) for the purpose of integrating operations across multiple transportation facilities (including freeways, major arterials, and public transit networks) in order to actively manage travel demand and capacity in the corridor as a whole?

Yes

How many corridors have been identified for integrated transportation operations?

1 corridor identified

2 corridors identified

3 or more corridors identified

No (go to Next Section)

37. The next set of questions all pertain specifically to the corridor you identified above. If you identified more than one corridor, please tell us about the corridor where the greatest level of coordination is taking place. In your responses, please do NOT include coordination efforts that are occurring outside the specific corridor you have identified

Please name the key facilities that comprise the corridor (please be as specific as possible):

- a. Freeway(s) (e.g., US-75):
- b. Key Arterial(s) (e.g., Greenville Avenue, US-75 Frontage Roads):
- c. Public Transit Services (e.g., DART Red/Orange Light Rail Line, MTS Express Bus):
- d. Other (e.g., freight, rail, bicycle, pedestrian):
- 38. Approximately how long is the corridor?

Less than 10 miles

11-20 miles

21-30 miles

31-50 miles

More than 50 miles

39. For each agency type listed below, please indicate whether you are currently coordinating or plan to coordinate integrated transportation operations in the corridor specified above. If yes, please provide the name of the agencies in the corridor with which your agency is coordinating (referred to as the "coordinating agencies" in this survey). Please do NOT include coordination efforts that are occurring outside the corridor. For each agency type, a-d, select only one response.

	Currently	Plan to	No Plans to	Not	Agency
	Coordinate	Coordinate	Coordinate	Applicable	Names
Freeway agencies:					
Arterial agencies:					
Transit agencies:					
Other agencies (e.g., MPOs, Toll Authorities, Port Operators):					

40. Has your agency signed any formal multi-jurisdictional or multi-agency Agreements, Memorandums of Understanding (MOUs), or other instruments with these coordinating agencies regarding the integrated operations of the corridor?

Yes, already signed

One instrument signed

Multiple instruments signed

No, but agreements, MOUs, or instruments are being developed (plan to sign)

No, there is no plan to develop or sign Agreements, MOUs, or other instruments

Do not know

IF SIGNED OR PLAN TO SIGN: Please describe what is covered by the Agreements, MOUs, or instruments:

41. How are data about conditions in the corridor shared among the coordinating agencies? (Check all that apply)

Manual data sharing: Corridor stakeholders call, radio, fax or email relevant corridor data to one another Automated sharing of real-time video data (video servers/switcher communicate directly to one another in real time to share video images through video protocols)

**Automated sharing of real-time data** (computers, database servers communicate directly to one another to transmit data automatically (in real time) via center-to-center protocols)

Information Clearing House/Information Exchange Network (IEN) between corridor networks/agencies (a software system that collects, aggregates, warehouses and distributes traffic flow/transit performance data and incident/construction data for the corridor. All corridor agencies can access the agency/network information)

Other (please specify):

- 42. How would you describe the institutional coordination among the corridor stakeholders? Please select one response from the following scale, which ranges from less formal institutional coordination (1) to more formal institutional coordination (5).
  - 1 (Less Formal) Ad hoc coordination; no regular meetings; corridor stakeholders address near-term issues only
  - 2 Informal working groups; regular meetings among corridor stakeholders
  - 3 Formally established working groups; assigned responsibilities for Integrated Corridor Management
  - 4 Funded staff person(s) and well-defined responsibilities for Integrated Corridor Management
  - 5 (More Formal) Legal entity with dedicated resources and a governing board
- 43. a. Have the coordinating agencies in the corridor developed an Integrated Corridor Management (ICM)

  Concept of Operations (ConOps) or some other planning document that includes shared operating objectives for the corridor? (Check all that apply)

Yes, ICM ConOps has been developed

ICM ConOps is currently being developed

Plan to develop ICM ConOps

No plans to develop ConOps

Other planning document on corridor operations has been developed (please describe in part b below)

Other planning document on corridor operations is currently being developed or plan to develop (please describe in part c below)

Do not know

- 43. b. If applicable, please specify other planning document on corridor operations that has been developed:
- 43. c. If applicable, specify the other planning document on corridor operations that is currently being developed or planned to develop:
- 44. Have the coordinating agencies in the corridor developed a documented set of response plans or strategies, in any level of detail, that are based on shared operational objectives and that are designed to optimize performance in the corridor as a whole (e.g., across transportation facilities/modes) during conditions of both recurring and non-recurring congestion? In your response, please do not include response plans developed for emergency situations, such as evacuations.

Response plans or strategies have been developed for day-to-day operations during congested conditions Response plans have been developed for emergency situations only (e.g., detours, evacuations)

Response plans or strategies are currently being developed

There are plans to develop response plans or strategies

There are no plans to develop response plans or strategies (skip to last question for additional comments) Do not know

45. Has your agency deployed or does it plan to deploy a Decision Support System (DSS) to assist in the integrated operations of the Corridor?

Yes, deployed Plan to deploy No (no plans to deploy) Do not know

46. Have the coordinating agencies identified corridor-level/multimodal performance measures (e.g., person throughput, average travel time, average travel speed, etc.) that will be used to measure the effectiveness of the strategies and response plans that are implemented in the corridor?

Yes, corridor-level/multimodal performance measures identified Agency plans to identify corridor-level/multimodal performance measures No plans to identify corridor-level/multimodal performance measures Do not know

47. Please use the space below to provide any additional comments about the integration and coordination of operations in the corridor:

#### INTERAGENCY COORDINATION

The purpose of this section is to assess the coordination of your agency with other agencies outside of corridors.

48. For each agency type listed below, please indicate whether you are currently coordinating or planning to coordinate integrated transportation operations. Please provide the agency names. For each agency type, ad, select only one response.

	Currently Coordinate	Plan to Coordinate	No Plans to Coordinate	Not Applicable	Agency Names
Freeway agencies:					
Arterial agencies:					
Transit agencies:					
Other agencies (e.g., MPOs, Toll Authorities, Port Operators):					

49. How are data about conditions shared among the coordinating agencies? (Check all that apply)

Manual data sharing: Stakeholders call, radio, fax or email relevant data to one another

**Automated sharing of real-time video data** (video servers/switcher communicate directly to one another in real time to share video images through video protocols)

**Automated sharing of real-time data** (computers, database servers communicate directly to one another to transmit data automatically (in real time) via center-to-center protocols)

Information Clearing House/Information Exchange Network (IEN) between networks/agencies (a software system that collects, aggregates, warehouses and distributes traffic flow/transit performance data and incident/construction data. All agencies can access the agency/network information)

Other (please specify):

### PLANNING FOR OPERATIONS

50. Select all that apply concerning your agency's participation in regional coordination activities with agencies outside your jurisdiction:

No regular interagency meetings

Regular meetings with other agencies to coordinate planning

Regular meetings to coordinate operations

Formal agreement on coordination and data sharing with other agencies

Formal agreement to integrate operations with other agencies

51. Is your agency part of the Regional ITS Architecture used to support regional transportation planning?

Yes

No

52. Is your agency included in a Regional Concept for Transportation Operations?

Yes

No

53. Does your agency receive, in real-time, incident information (e.g., clearance activities, type, severity, etc.) from any public safety agency?

Incident clearance

Yes

No

Incident severity and type

Yes

No

54. Does your agency provide, in real-time, incident information (e.g., type, severity, etc.) and/or freeway information (e.g., travel times, speed and condition) to the following types of agencies? (Check all that apply)

	Incident Information (e.g., type, severity, etc.)	Freeway Information (e.g., travel times, speed and condition)
Freeway Management agencies	Yes / No	Yes / No
Arterial Management agencies	Yes / No	Yes / No
Public Transit agencies	Yes / No	Yes / No
Law Enforcement public safety agencies	Yes / No	Yes / No
Fire Rescue public safety agencies	Yes / No	Yes / No
Other agencies	Yes / No	Yes / No

#### CONNECTED VEHICLES

Need more information about connected vehicle applications? See <a href="http://www.its.dot.gov/pilots/cv\_pilot\_apps.htm">http://www.its.dot.gov/pilots/cv\_pilot\_apps.htm</a>

55. Does your agency have plans to deploy connected vehicle applications?

Yes

When do you expect to deploy?
Within the next 3 years
In 3 to 6 years
In 7 or more years

No plans to deploy (skip next question)

## 56. Which of the following connected vehicle applications is your agency planning to deploy? (Check all that apply)

VEHICLE TO INFRASTRUCTURE (V2I) SAFETY APPLICATIONS:

Reduced Speed/Work Zone Warning (RSWZ)

Curve Speed Warning (CWS)

Other speed management applications

Pedestrian and bicycle

Transit safety

#### **MOBILITY APPLICATIONS:**

Intelligent traffic signal systems

Advanced traveler information systems

Incident and emergency management

Integrated dynamic transit operations (IDTO)

#### **ENVIRONMENT-FOCUSED APPLICATIONS:**

**Eco-signal operations** 

**Eco-traveler information** 

Low emission zones

**Eco-lanes** 

Eco-ICM

### OTHER APPLICATIONS:

**Road Weather** 

Fee Payments

Commercial Vehicle applications

Agency data applications (performance measures, probe data applications, etc.)

Other (please specify):

#### 57. If your agency is not planning to deploy connected vehicle (CV) applications, why not? (Check all that apply)

Too costly for now

Too much technical risk; want to wait until technology and standards mature

Want to see benefits proven by pilot/early deployments

Not ready from an institutional or organizational point of view

Do not have enough staff with the right qualifications to plan and deploy CV applications

Concerned about security issues

Concerned about privacy issues

Not a high priority right now

We are more focused on:

Other (please specify):

## 58. When your agency starts planning the deployment of Connected Vehicle applications, which type of application will be the priority? (Select one)

Safety applications

Mobility applications

**Environment-focused applications** 

Other

Please specify:

Do not know

## 59. What types of assistance or resources would your agency need in order to begin planning to deploy Connected Vehicle applications or to accelerate an existing deployment schedule? (Check all that apply)

**Funding** 

**Technology Procurement Information** 

**Training** 

Please indicate in what areas:

Technical assistance (e.g., CV technology information, deployment guidance, etc.)

Please indicate in what areas:

Information on institutional arrangements and agreements

Information on the benefits/return on investment

Information/data on costs of CV technologies

Other (please specify):

#### 60. . How familiar is your agency with the following?

	Very familiar	Moderately familiar	Slightly familiar	Not at all familiar
Connected Vehicle Reference Implementation Architecture (CVRIA)				
Systems Engineering Tool Intelligent Transportation (SET-IT)				

#### 61. Has your agency:

	Yes	No, but	No plans
		plan to	to
Hired a Chief Technology Officer or Chief			
Information Officer			
Obtained an FCC License to use 5.9GHz			
frequency spectrum (Dedicated Short-Range			
Communication)			
Included CV technologies and/or applications			
in agency planning documents (e.g., long			
range transportation plan, Strategic Highway			
Safety Plan, Transportation Improvement			
Program, etc.)			
Included CV applications and communications			
interfaces within your metropolitan area			

## 62. Has your agency been in discussions with public and/or private sector partners about forming partnerships for Connected Vehicle deployment and operations? (Select one answer)

Yes, both public and private sector partners

Yes, public sector partners only

Yes, private sector partners only

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

Microwave

Other (please specify):

63. What type of communications technologies does your agency use to communicate between any of its ITS devices, or between ITS roadside devices and a central processing location? (Check all that apply)

Fiber
Digital Subscriber Line (DSL)
Cable TV
Powerline carrier communications (PLCC)
Cellular (LTE)
Cellular (GPRS)
WiMAX
Fixed service satellite (FSS)
Satellite digital audio radio service (SDARS)
Ultra wideband (UAB)
Wi-Fi
Dedicated Short Range Communications (DSRC)
ZigBee

64. Do you have devices at intersections that have backhaul communications, where data is being sent from the field device to a central office or Traffic Management Center?

Yes

Are these communications systems owned by the operating agency or are they provided by a private operator?

All are owned by operating agency
All are provided by private operator
Some are owned by operating agency and some are provided by private operator

65. Does your agency have a security policy and procedures whose scope includes field devices and communications?

Yes
Does this policy cover cyber security?
Yes
No

### MAINTENANCE OF FREEWAY ITS DEVICES

66. Does your agency utilize an asset management system to track infrastructure inventory and related maintenance and operations activity?

Yes No

67. Does your agency have a preventive maintenance program for ITS devices?

Yes No 68. a. How are decisions for maintenance and replacement of ITS devices made? (Check all that apply)

	Maintenance	Replacement
Reaction to failure in component or device		
Planned program of routine and preventive maintenance		
Inspection and monitoring of conditions		
Cost/benefit analysis		
Estimated service life		
Obsolescence (e.g., device becomes obsolete/out-of-date)		
Other (please specify below)		

- 68. b. Please specify Other Maintenance if marked above:
- 68. c. Please specify Other Replacement if marked above:
- 69. Does your agency collect data on the overall health and maintenance of ITS devices and equipment?

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Yes
What sources of data are used?
Inspections
Complaint calls
Real-time monitoring
Other (please specify):
No
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#### FUTURE DEPLOYMENT PLANNING

70. Does your agency have any plans to invest in new ITS technology or to expand current ITS coverage in 2016 through 2019?

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Yes
Check all that apply:
Invest in new ITS
Expand current ITS coverage
No
Please describe new ITS (if applicable):
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## **ADDITIONAL COMMENTS**

71. Please use the space below to provide any additional comments regarding your agency's deployment, operations or maintenance of ITS. (Please be as specific as possible when commenting on particular ITS technologies.)