

The *Utah Connected* Program

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Webinar Goals

- Promote information sharing
- Share lessons learned
- Foster collaboration
- Support and encourage deployment efforts by other agencies



UDOT Transportation Technology Group

- Formed in 2016
 - Efforts previously located within the Intelligent Transportation Systems Group
- Within UDOT's Traffic Management Division
 - Close coordination with signal operations, ITS, freeway operations , etc.
- Focused mostly on transportation operations technologies
 - Connected vehicles
 - Automated vehicles
 - Sensor technology (LiDAR, DAS, etc.)
- Four people. . . And a lot of consultant support



UDOT Transportation Technology Goals

- Safety
 - Reduce crashes / save lives
 - UDOT's Strategic Goal: Zero Crashes, Injuries and Fatalities
 - Provide information to: driver, vehicle, control room operator
 - Focus on vulnerable road users
- Mobility
 - Improve transportation options and reliability for all users
 - UDOT's Strategic Goal: Optimize Mobility

UDOT Transportation Technology Goals

- Safety
- Mobility
- Achieve Full Situational Awareness
 - Know what is going on across our entire network
 - Includes innovative sensors – like DAS and LiDAR
- Prepare for CV-Equipped Production Vehicles
 - Full CV safety benefits require that OEMs install compatible systems
 - Be at the forefront of CV deployment and encourage broad deployment



ATCMTD Program



ATCMTD

- Advanced Transportation and Congestion Management Technologies Deployment
 - Established by the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act
- Fund the development and deployment of advanced transportation technologies to improve safety, efficiency, system performance, and infrastructure return on investment
- 58 projects funded since 2016 from almost 300 applications





ATCMTD “Utah Connected” Grant

- Announced in April 2019 (From a FY18 Notice of Funding Opportunity)
- Awarded in Sept 2019
 - \$3,000,000 federal / \$3,120,800 state match (as amended)
- Essential component of UDOT’s development and expansion of innovative technologies





ATCMTD “Utah Connected” Grant

- Three focus areas:

- **Connected Systems** – Real-time Full Situational Awareness
 - Data Ecosystem ← Webinar #2
 - Fiber Sensing (Distributed Acoustic Sensing) ← Webinar #5
- **Connected Vehicles** – Solutions for Safety and Mobility
 - Transit Signal Priority ← Webinar #4
 - Snowplow Preemption ← Webinar #4
 - Curve Speed Warning (CSW) ← Webinar #3
 - Spot Weather Impact Warning (SWIW) ← Webinar #3
- **Connected People** – Autonomous Shuttle Deployment
 - ~~Automated Vehicle Shuttle Lessons Learned~~
 - Automated Vehicle Road Readiness Study ← Webinar #6





Connected Vehicle Data Ecosystem



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Connected Vehicle Deployments



CV Deployments

- 2017 - 2019

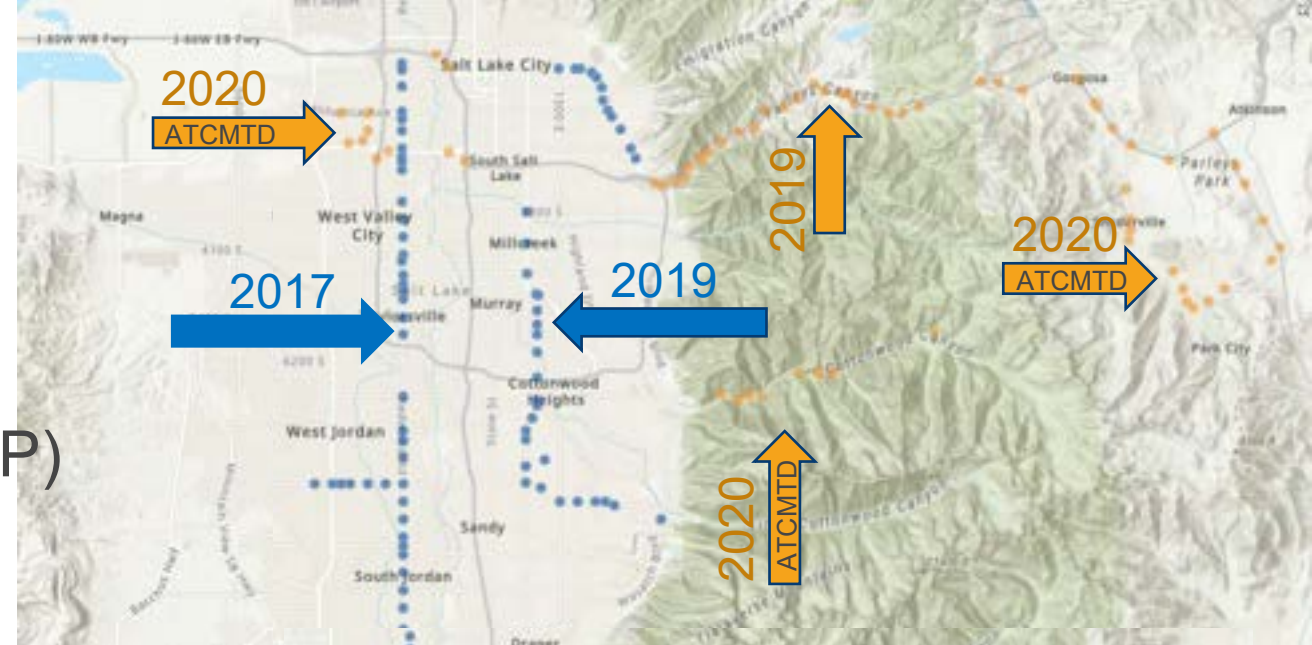
- DSRC RSUs & OBUs
- Support Transit Signal Priority (TSP)
- Support Snow Plow Preemption

- 2019

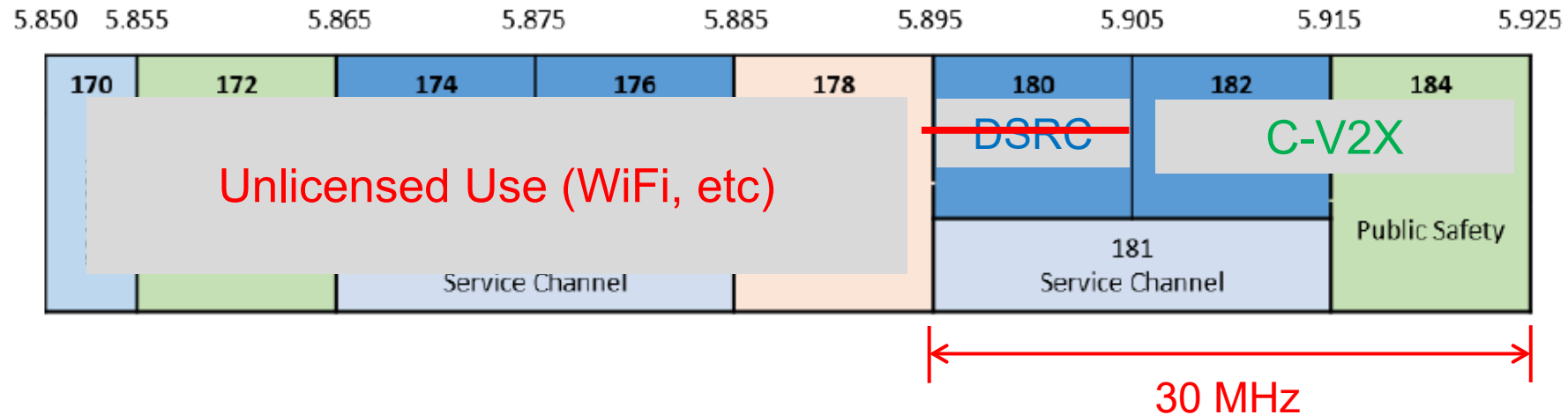
- Dual Mode (CV2X & DSRC)
- Vehicle Insights (from BSM)

- 2020 (ATCMTD)

- Cloud-based “Data Ecosystem” platform (Cirrus)
- Curve Speed & Spot Weather Warnings
- Security Credentials on messages



Changes to the Spectrum



On May 3, 2021, FCC modified the spectrum:

- Give the lower 45MHz to unlicensed use (Wi-Fi)
- Formally allow C-V2X (LTE-V2X) into the spectrum, pending final Rules
 - Previously allowed in the spectrum only through “experimental license”
- Move DSRC (temporarily) to upper 30MHz (by July 2022)
- Phase out DSRC entirely (by about mid 2024 - tbd)

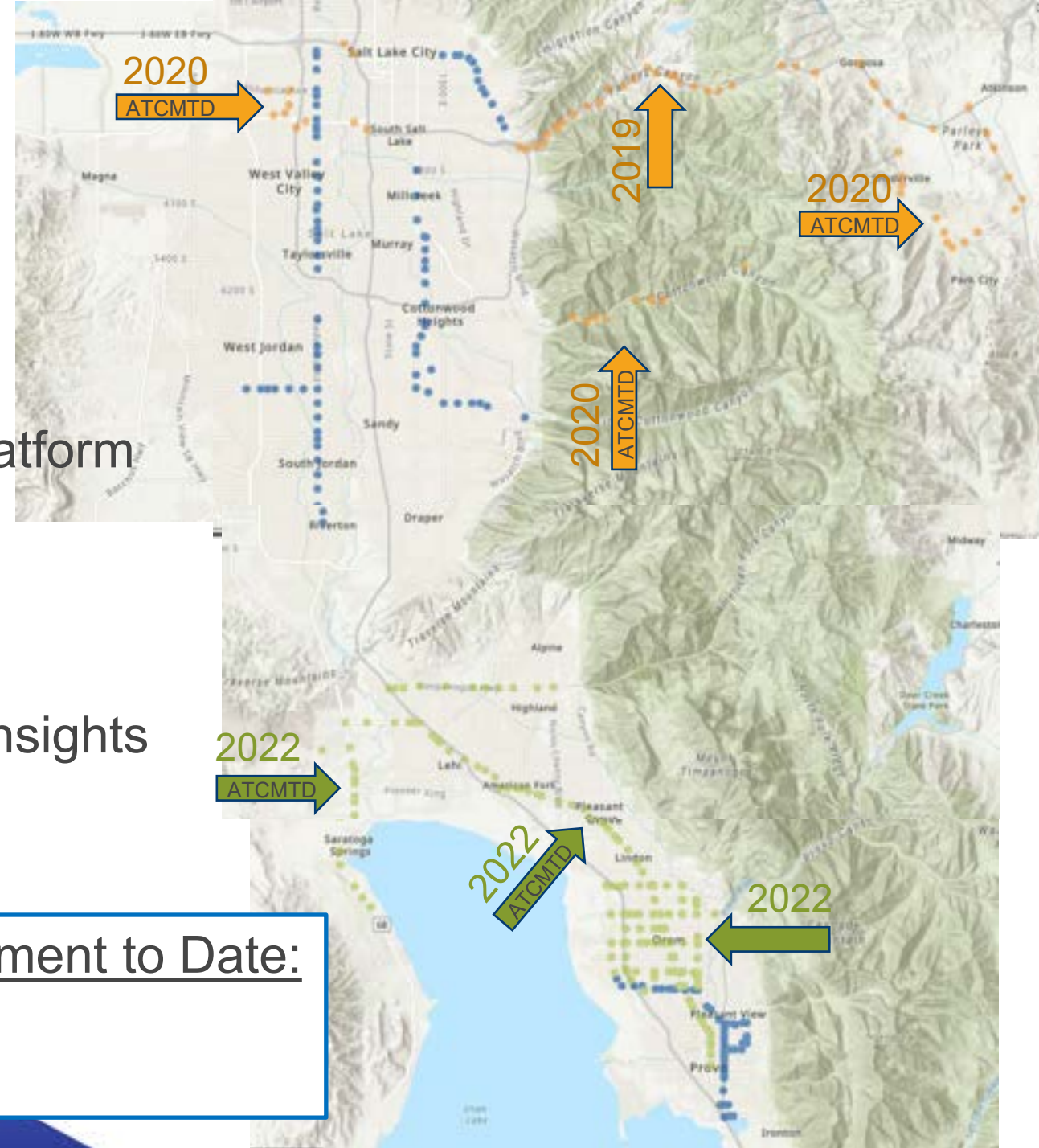
Moving Forward with Connected Vehicles

Regulatory Certainty

- It has been decided: we have 30 MHz & C-V2X
 - Note: C-V2X / LTE-V2X is NOT 5G
 - Note: C-V2X / LTE-V2X is NOT telematics
- Need Final Operating Rules - FCC 2nd Report & Order
 - Broadcast power limits everyone can live with
 - Permit process
- Need Waivers from the FCC to operate CV2X in the near term
 - Joint Waiver issued April 2023 – 14 specific parties (incl. Utah and Virginia)
 - Other waiver requests still pending

CV Deployments

- 2019
 - Vehicle Insights (from BSM)
- 2020 (ATCMTD)
 - Cloud-based “Data Ecosystem” platform
 - CSW and SWIW
 - Security Credentials on messages
- 2022
 - “Enclave”: Preemption & Vehicle Insights
- 2022 (ATCMTD)
 - TSP & Preemption



Total Deployment to Date:

- 338 RSUs
- 272 OBUs

Standardized Messages Being Used

- Signalized Intersections:

- Signal Phase and Timing (SPaT)
- Intersection Geometry (MAP)
- GPS Correction Message (RTCM)
- Signal Status Message (SSM)



Supports Many Intersection Applications



Used For Higher Location Accuracy



TSP & Preemption

- Vehicle-Generated:

- Signal Request Message (SRM)
- Basic Safety Message (BSM)



Vehicle Insights



- Roadside Locations:

- Traveler Information Message (TIM)



Curve Speed & Spot Weather Warnings



In theory, there is no difference
between theory and practice.

In practice, there is.

- Yogi Berra





Lessons Learned

- A lot of progress has been made in the past four years
 - FCC 1st Report and Order – resolution in spectrum (like it or not)
 - Connected Intersection (CI) Guidance – uniform deployment guidelines
 - Implementation Guide: CTI 4501 v01.00, June 2022 (will be revised in 2024)
 - Validation Report: CTI 4502 V01.00, Feb 2022
 - Performance Assessment – Crash Avoidance Metrics Partnership, Dec 2022
 - CI Guidance Document: Connected Vehicle Pooled Fund Study, Dec 2022
 - CI Test Plan: Connected Vehicle Pooled Fund Study, Mar 2022
 - V2I Day One Deployment Guide: 5GAA, pending release in Oct 2023
 - MAP Preparation Guidance: Connected Vehicle Pooled Fund Study, Dec 2022
 - MAP Creation Tool: USDOT

Lessons Learned

- A lot of progress has been made in the past four years
 - Hardware has matured
 - Roadside Unit Standard: CTI 4001 v01.01, Sept 2022
 - Updated standards for signal equipment and cabinets (NEMA TS-10, NTCIP 1202, etc)
 - Certification for C-V2X devices
 - Initial C-V2X Waivers have been granted – establishing power limits
 - Security certificates are available
 - Standards: IEEE 1609.2, Mar 2023
 - Need more structure in the SCMS system
 - C-V2X hardware is ready for deployment

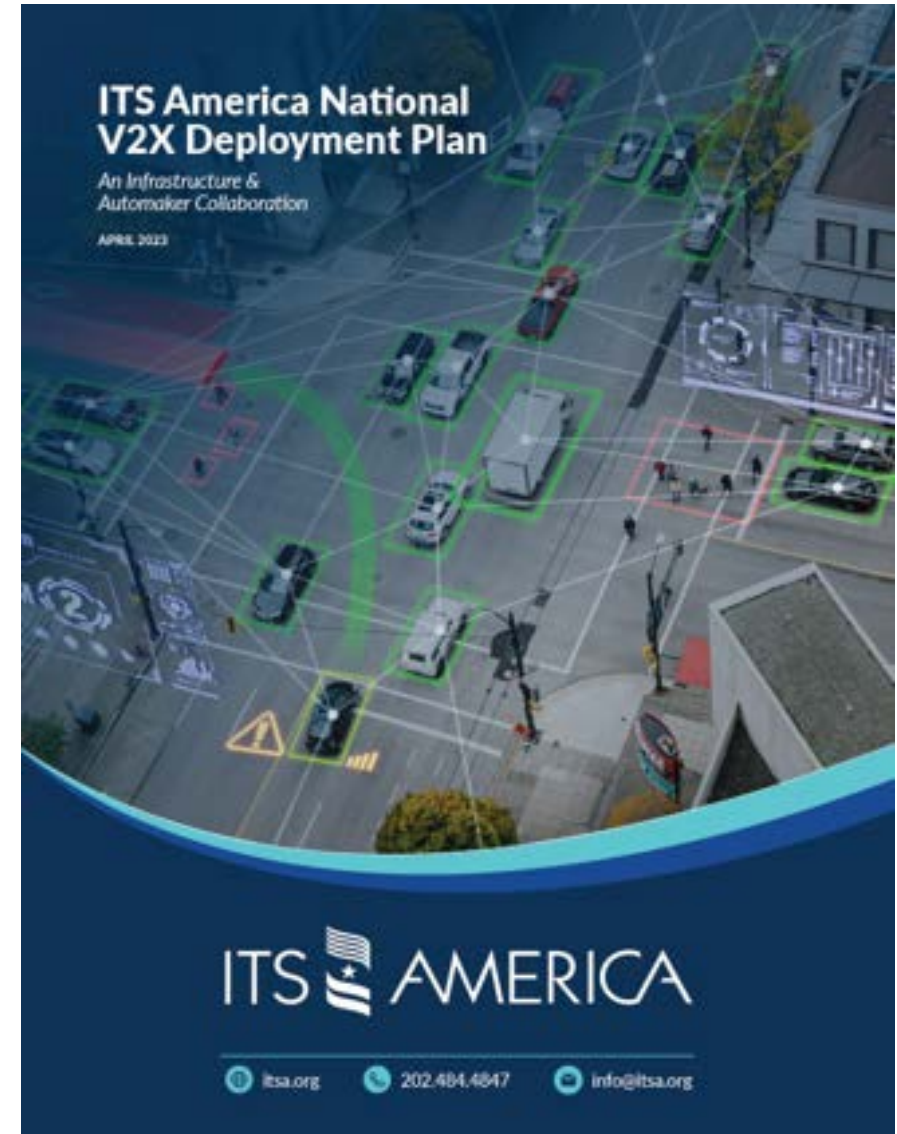


Lessons Learned

- A lot of progress has been made
 - Guidance for V2X deployment by agencies

<https://itsa.org/advocacy-material/its-america-national-v2x-deployment-plan/>

- A broader National Deployment Plan coming from the USDOT in 2024





Lessons Learned

- Deployments can bring short term results
 - Transit Signal Priority:
 - Improved reliability by 6%
 - Decreased schedule deviation by 19%
 - Snowplow preemption
 - Reduces corridor plowing time significantly
 - Removes snow and ice more quickly





Lessons Learned

- Deployment takes time
 - Procurement, Testing, Delivery, Installation, Integration = 25 months
 - Funding cycle & project location selection adds more time
- Agencies should get started now

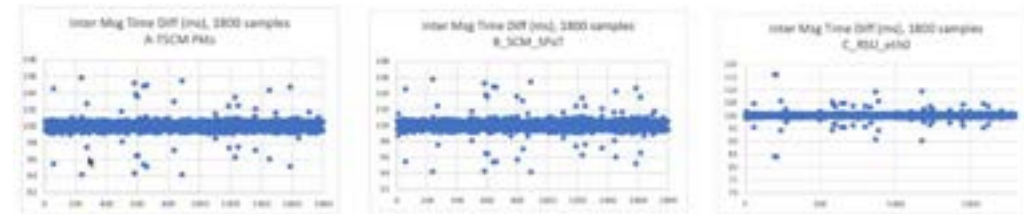


Lessons Learned

- Still working on some issues
 - Synch devices in signal cabinet
 - Getting all devices on the same clock
 - SPaT Broadcast Consistency
 - MAP Accuracy and Verification
 - SCMS Features
 - Misbehavior detection
 - Refining the use of RTCM
 - Need to build trust with automakers
 - Information is accurate, consistent, reliable, and secure

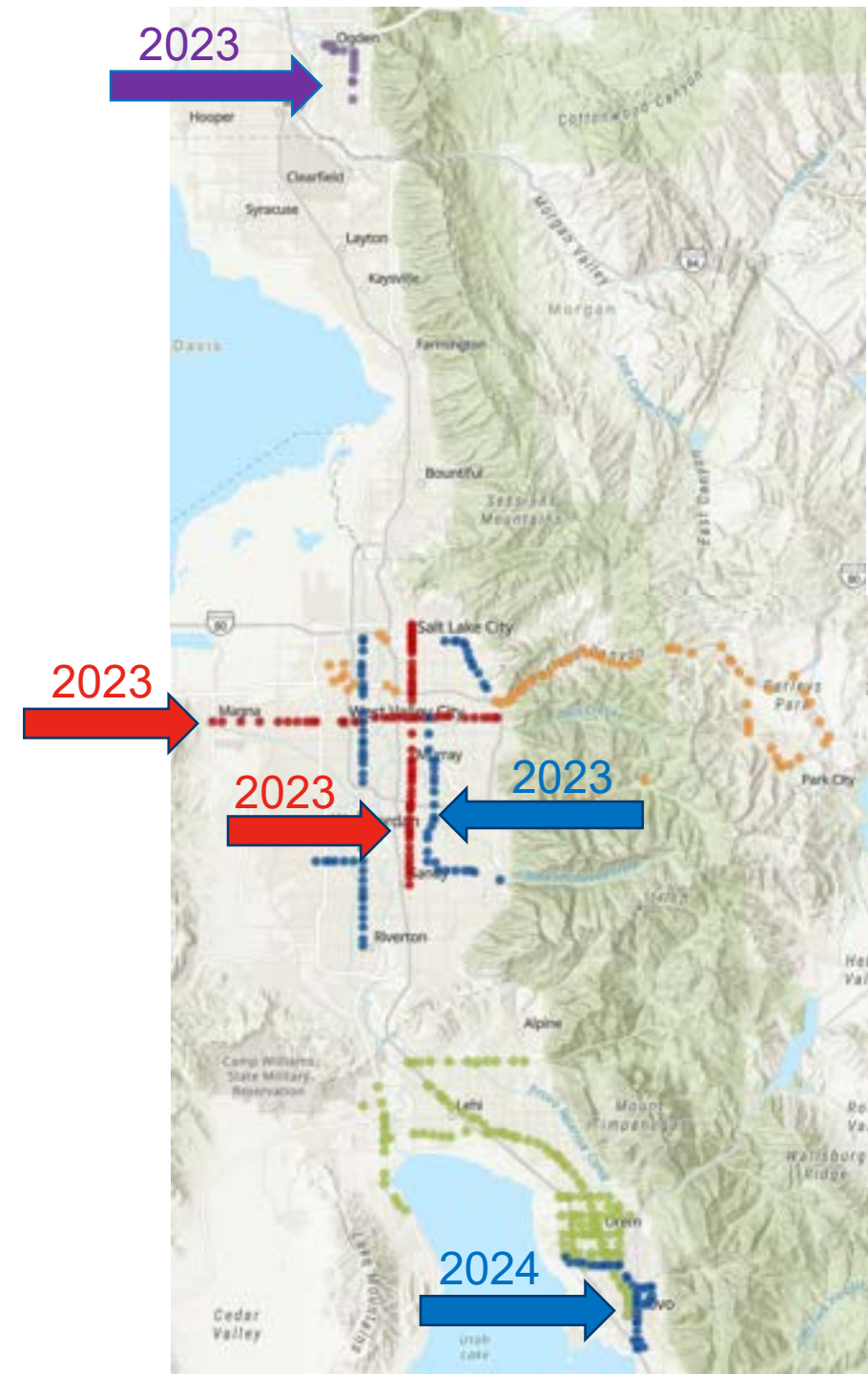


SPaT Analysis of Periodicity
Inter Message Time Interval



Future Deployments

- 2023 / 2023
 - Additional TSP / Preemption corridors
- 2023 – 2024 (ATTAIN)
 - Replace DSRC RSUs and OBUs with C-V2X



Future Deployments

- **2024 (ATCMTD 2020 - Utah Broadly Connected)**

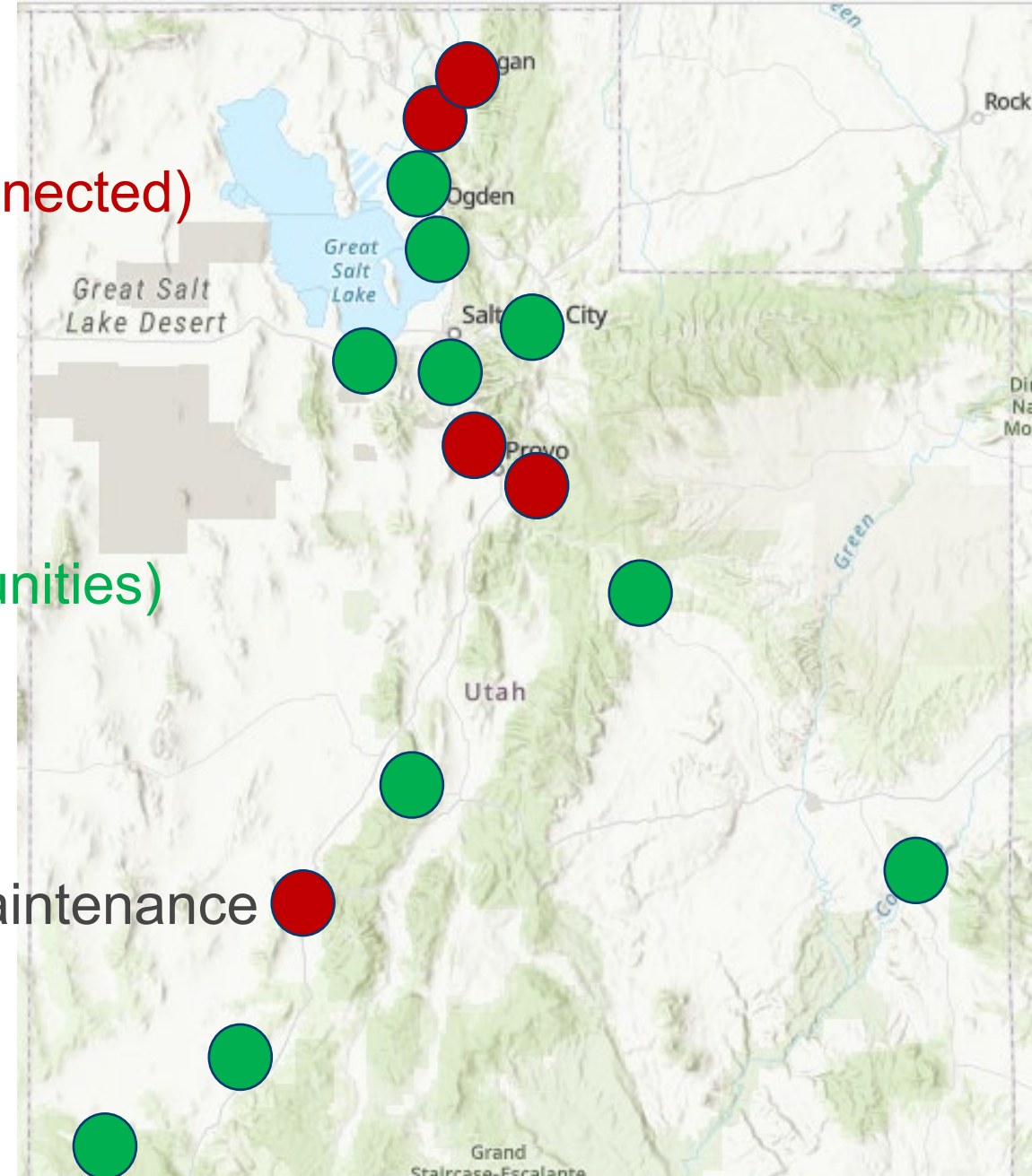
- Another “enclave” site
- Additional TSP / Preemption Corridors
- Rural safety applications (VSL, etc.)
- Intersection safety applications

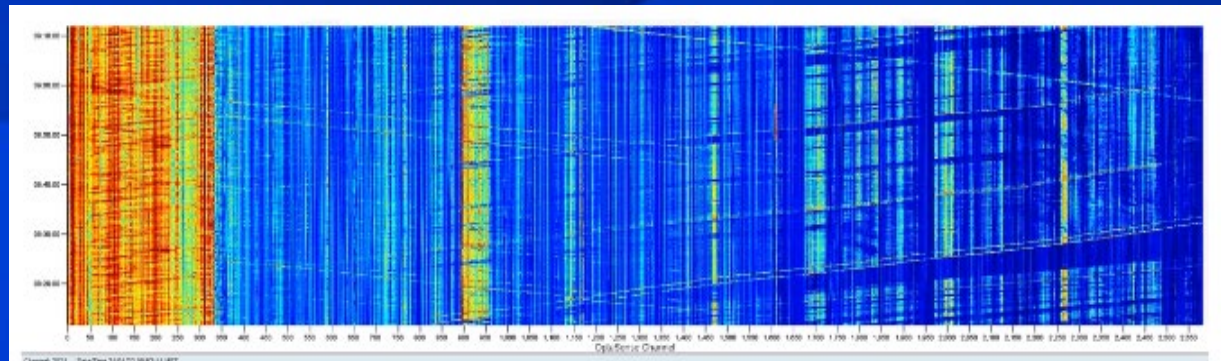
- **2025 (ATTAIN – Utah Connected Communities)**

- RSUs in many cities & towns
- Preparing for production vehicles

- **2023-2025**

- Institutionalize V2X Operations and Maintenance

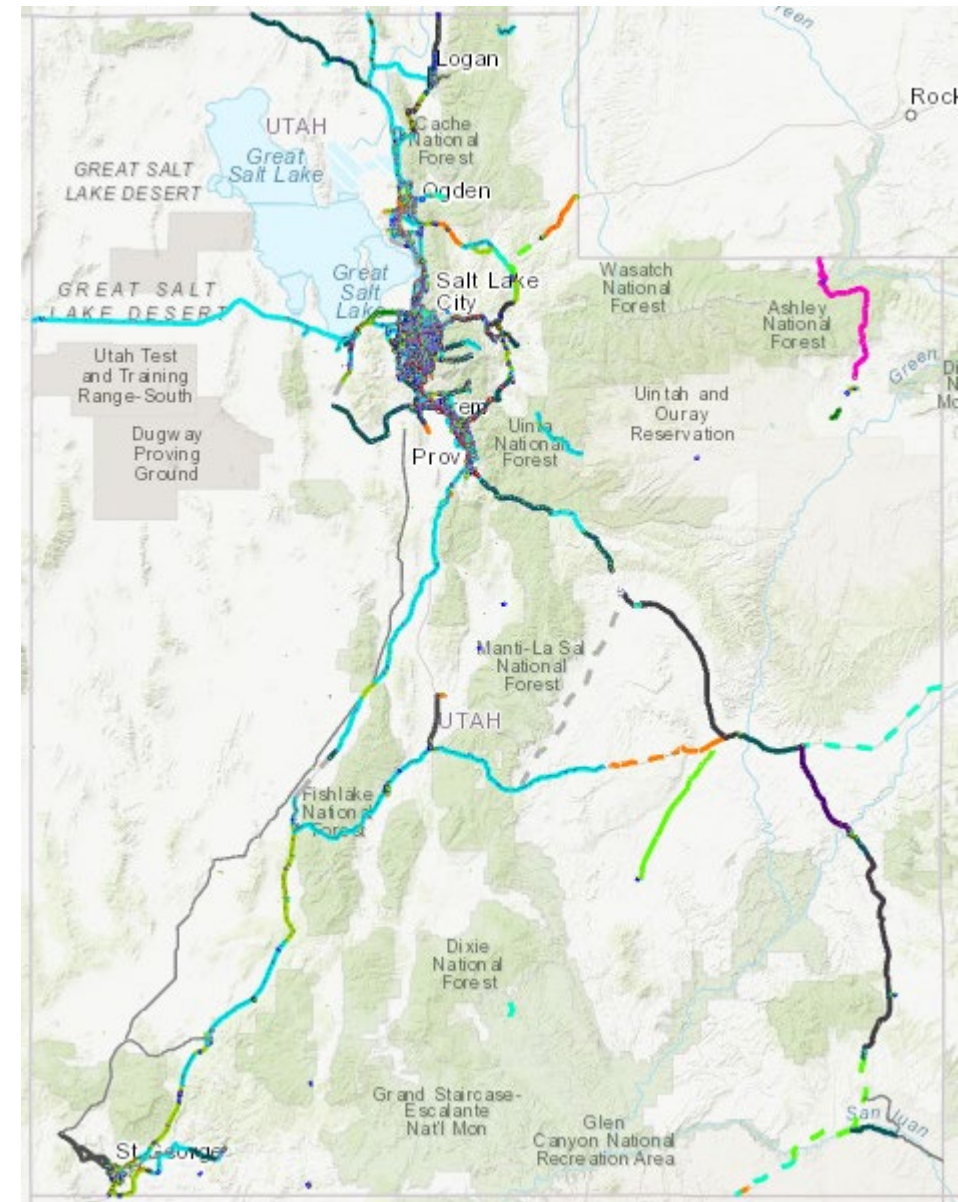




Distributed Acoustic Sensing

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- UDOT has fiber across the state
 - Connect to signals & ITS devices
- Using existing fiber to sense events along the road

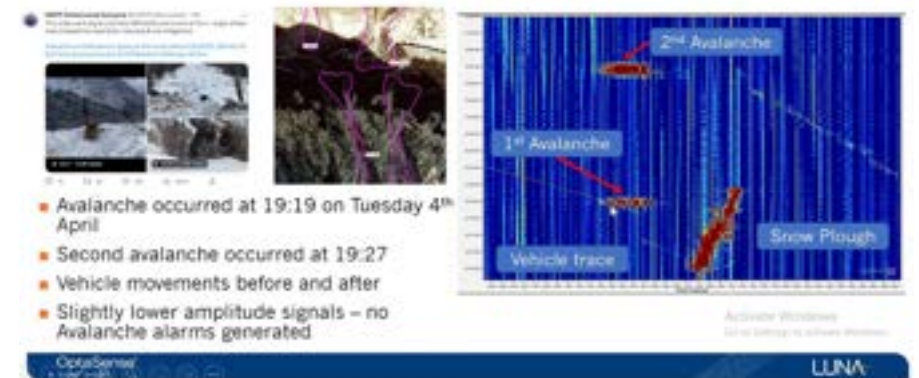


Distributed Acoustic Sensing

- Fiber senses ground vibrations
 - Measure speeds and travel times
 - Sense impact events
 - Crashes
 - Rockfalls
 - Avalanches
- Team spent considerable time tuning the algorithms
- Fiber placement is critical



Lisa Falls Avalanches MP 6.65 – Tuesday 4th April





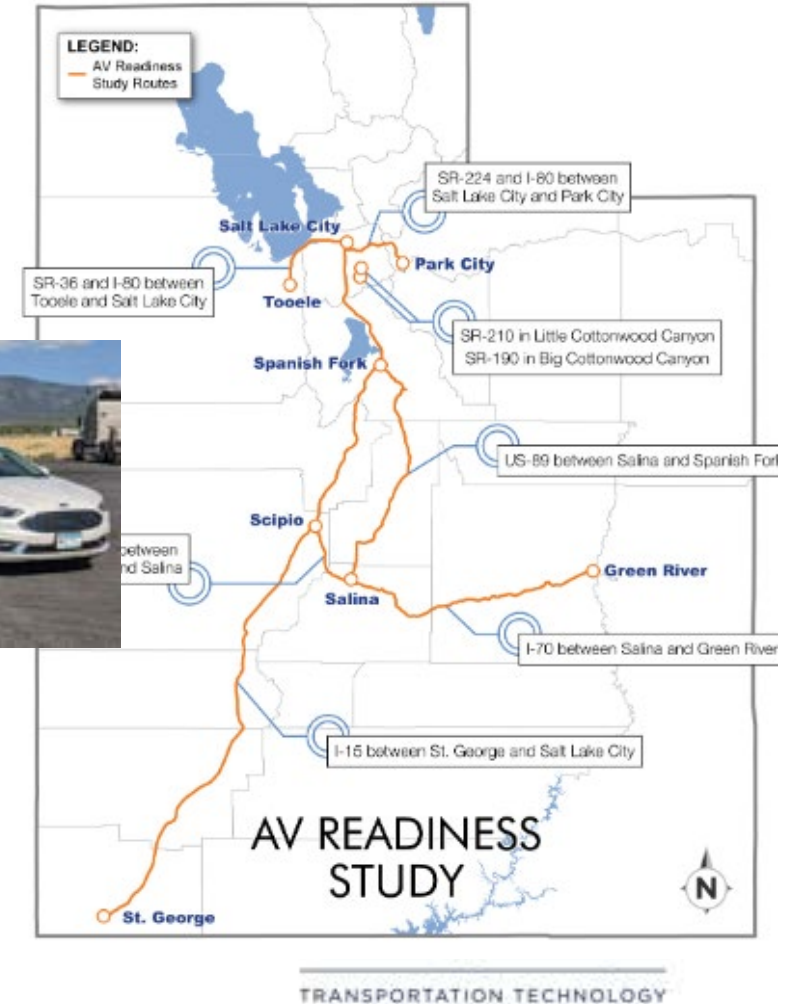
Automated Vehicle Road Readiness

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- More than half of new cars have forward-facing cameras
 - Lane Keep Assist (LKA)
 - Automatic Emergency Braking (AEB)
 - Adaptive Cruise Control (ACC)
- Effectiveness depends on visibility of our lane markings
- We wanted to know:
 - How good are our lane markings?
 - Are they compatible with these camera technologies?
 - What kind of improvements are needed?

Automated Vehicle Road Readiness

- Surveyed 1400 miles of UDOT roads
- Processed data to assess pavement marking effectiveness
 - Daytime and nighttime surveys
 - Identified problematic issues
- Most markings were adequate





Questions / Discussion

<https://transportationtechnology.utah.gov/>