# Efficient and Sustainable Operation of Commercial Vehicles on Highways

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## Role of U.S. DOT

- U.S. DOT Advisory Committee on Automation in Transportation.
- FMCSA Public Listening Session on Automated Commercial Motor Vehicles.
- NHTSA Federal Automated Vehicles Policy Guidance.
- FHWA National Dialogue on Highway Automation.
- Automation Pilot Programs
  - Automation Proving Ground Pilot Program.
  - ITS/JPO Connected Vehicle Pilot Deployment Program.
- U.S. DOT Multi-Modal automation research.
  - Freight Advanced Traveler Information Systems (FRATIS)
  - Border Wait Time Systems
  - Truck Parking Information and Management System (TPIMS)



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## U.S. DOT Connected Vehicle (CV) Pilot Deployment Program



Tampa (THEA)



# Wyoming Connected Commercial Vehicle Pilot

- Road weather advisories for trucks and vehicles.
- Automatic alerts for emergency responders.
- CV-enabled weather-responsive variable speed limits.
- Spot weather impact warning.
- Work zone warnings.
- Truck parking availability for freight carriers.
- Freight-specific dynamic travel planning.



# Research: Freight Advanced Traveler Information Systems (FRATIS)

## Freight-Specific Dynamic Travel Planning and Performance



Source: U.S. Department of Transportation

#### **Drayage Optimization**



Source: U.S. Department of Transportation

## Modeled Results:

- 14% reduction in truck travel times.
- 10% reduction in unproductive moves/ bobtail trips.
- 20% reduction in terminal wait/turn times.
- 5% reduction in fuel consumption/emissions.



## **Border Wait Time Systems**

## Results:

- Provide continuous wait time measures for cars and trucks.
- Increase operational and manpower efficiency.
- Provide real-time information to aid travelers in crossing choices.

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### Mexico/U.S.



#### Source: Texas A&M Transportation Institute

# Canada/U.S.



Source: Michigan DOT

## Truck Parking Information and Management System (TPIMS)



Automated and Connected Vehicle Opportunity Areas for Freight



- Increase efficiency.
- Reduce fuel consumption.

## Long-Haul



- Improve safety.
- Minimize driver fatigue.
- Early deployment.

#### Driver Comfort



- Increase driver retention.
- Address driver shortage.

#### **Urban Freight Delivery**



- Automate last-mile of delivery.
- Increase efficiency gains/cost improvements.

#### Drayage and Intermodal



- Fully automate container movements.
- Optimize intermodal connections.

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