

Maryland's Connected & Automated Vehicle Technology and Upcoming Strategic Framework

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IN THE NEWS: CAV TECH FOR FREIGHT & TRUCKING



Locomation & SmartBelt Coalition prime example of collaboration across states, agencies and institutions to set the stage for the deployment.



Robotic Research: leader-follower tech







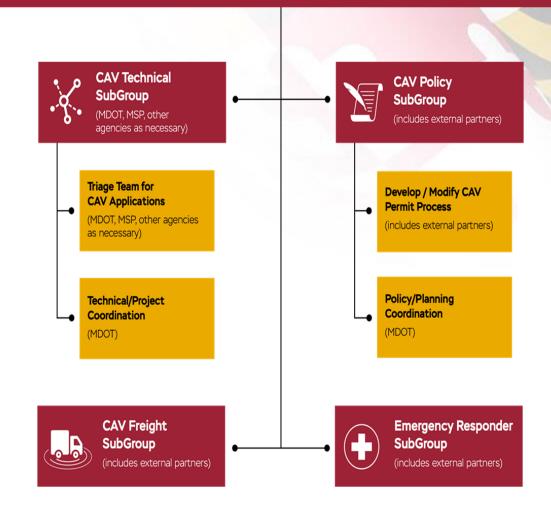
Maryland CAV Vision:

Uphold & enhance a Safe, Efficient, and Equitable transportation future by delivering collaborative and leading-edge CAV solutions. Maryland is open for business and eager to realize the lifesaving and economic benefits of CAV technology, while ensuring safety for all. We are embracing CAV technology and innovation through continuing **collaboration** with partners interested in researching testing, and implementing CAVs in MD.

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MARYLAND CAV ACTIVITIES

2017

- Foundations: Statewide CAV Working Group central point of coordination
- + First Roll-outs: MDOT MVA implements expression-of-interest & high-level vehicle tech testing permit processes (Link)
- + STEER begins testing on Maryland roadways
- MDOT SHA releases a CAV Strategic Action Plan (<u>Link</u>)

2019

- Stronger: MDOT MTA wins first ever TRB transit IDEA grant and begins testing autonomous vehicle parking at a MARC commuter rail park and ride lot
- + Robotic Research begins testing on Maryland roadways
- + MDOT helps establish new Mid-Atlantic CAV Group within the I-95 Corridor that includes MD, DC, VA, DE, PA, NJ, and NY
- + MDOT SHA wins STIC grant to deploy connected vehicle technology for pedestrian safety
- MDOT MAA releases an RFP that includes autonomous parking technology as a requirement

2016

2015

- + Early Efforts: Evaluation of status and needs; begin to engage w/stakeholders and federal partners
- + MDOT SHA includes CAV in its TSMO Strategic Action Plan (<u>Link</u>)

2018

- + **Expansion:** MDOT releases a statewide CAV Vision Statement
- + Local Motors begins testing
- + MDOT MAA begins AV testing at BWI Marshall one of first airports to test AVs
- MDTA DSRC Pilot; and MDTA releases a CAV Strategic Action Plan (<u>Link</u>)
- MDOT "Locations to Enable Testing Sites" (LETS) application is released to the public (<u>Link</u>)

2020

- Full Speed Ahead:; SHSP integrating CAV tech
- + Maryland 1st state in NHTSA AV Tracker pilot
- + MDOT MVA on NHTSA project for low-level vehicle tech driver training
- + MDOT MTA in dialogue with business park on possible autonomous shuttle pilot
- + MDOT SHA hosts educational STEM workshops as part of the AASHTO TRAC program
- + MDOT TSO & MDOT SHA survey local jurisdictions on needs relating to emerging technologies (<u>Link</u>)
- + MDOT to release CAV Strategic Framework

PRIVATE ENTITY PILOTS IN MD







STEER autonomous parking, multi-county deployments and at BWI Thurgood Marshall

EOIs & HAV Permits

MARYLAND Exp: 9/13/2017 HAV-0001

Expression of Interest

- Starting point to engage appropriate agencies
- Facilitates dialogue with potential partners
- Twenty-eight EOIs have been received

Highly Automated Vehicles (HAV) permit process for demonstration testing on Maryland roadways

- Voluntary, collaborative process forum for dialogue about safety considerations
- \$5 million insurance req; self-certification for vehicle,
 - operators and other safety plans
- Unique permit for each vehicle







- AUTOMATED VEHICLE
 Leverages both automated
 and connected technologies.
- Prince George's Co CV pilot deployment in National Harbor: several intersections & vehicles equipped to communicate with each other
- Montgomery Co deploying CV solutions at several intersections for Signal Phasing and Timing (SPaT) testing
- MDOT SHA infrastructure to vehicle deployment for detection/warning of pedestrians at MD 214 & Addison Rd at Seat Pleasant Metro



- UMD's CATT testing vulnerable user detection and notification algorithms; w/MDOT SHA and MSP on traffic incident mgt. scene data transfers for in-vehicle notifications
- Howard Co awarded grant to STEER to retrofit government fleet vehicles with AV capabilities
- MDTA pilot deployments of dedicated short-range communications (DSRC) roadside units and on board units

MD CAV STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK

- Framework stakeholder input:
 - Survey (600+ responses) -- 90% reported that doing nothing was <u>not</u> an option!
 - ☐ Public comment review of draft (2 weeks)

Policy

150+ comments

Outreach

- No critical changes in the Framework content
- OEM perspectives focused on specifics for data policies and establishing requirements

Testing

• Framework focus areas:

1. Public Education and
2. Planning and
3. Early Deployment and
4. Infrastructure
5. Workforce

FREIGHT SURVEY RATINGS

- Number two priority for deployment: "more efficient movement of goods to improve economic vitality, reduce freight congestion, and help businesses succeed"
- Number one in category of Do Within 5 Years:
 "automated freight solutions"
- Number one in category of Important strategies: "deploy automated freight solutions to improve movement of goods"
 - Number three is "permit the use of freight CAV solutions (including platooning) on existing State freight network"





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