Central Florida Automated Vehicle Proving Grounds Partnership

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Why?

- City of Orlando's Executive Leadership Direction
 - Earn & Retain "Smart City" Branding
 - Use Affordable & Emerging Technologies on a Continuing Basis to be -
 - A Great Place to Visit, Live, Work, Play, Raise a Family, Ensure Good Environmental Stewardship, Attract the Creative Class and Promote Economic Development
- Response to USDOT Solicitation
 - Fall 2016
 - Numerous Concerns & Needs
 - Safety
 - Closed Environment Testing
 - Gradual Transition to Open Environment Testing
 - Research
 - Knowledge Sharing



Background & Guidance

- "How Shall We Grow"
- Beyond Traffic 2045
- US DOT Smart City Challenge
- MetroLab Network
- Mean Streets/Dangerous By Design
- World's Largest Tourist Destination
- World's Largest Rental Car Market



Central Florida's History of Transportation Innovation

- Travtek
 - Early to Mid-1990's
 - Response to Local & Statewide Challenge
 - In-Vehicle Navigation Systems
 - Extensive Partnership
 - City of Orlando
 - AAA
 - USDOT
 - FDOT
 - **GM**
 - UCF
 - Avis Rental Car



Central Florida's History of Transportation Innovation

- Lymmo Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) System
 - First "Pure" BRT Project in the USA
 - Fore runners
 - Meter Eater
 - Free Bee
 - Response to Local Access & Mobility Challenge
 - Downtown Development of Regional Impact
 - OSCAR
 - Purpose
 - Challenges
 - Funding & Operating Constraints Yielding Innovation



Team

- City of Orlando
- University of Central Florida
- Florida Polytechnic University
- FAMU-FSU College of Engineering
- Florida Turnpike Enterprise
- Central Florida Expressway
- Florida Department of Transportation Districts 1 & 5
- Lynx
- NASA Kennedy Space Center



Map of Primary Partner & Facility Locations





Areas of Focus

- Four Modes of Travel
 - Automobiles
 - Freight
 - Transit
 - Bike-Ped
- Interaction of Modes
- Safety
- Full Range of Automation
 - Vehicles
 - Roadside Equipment
 - Sensors
 - Human Factors
 - Alternate Fuels
 - Fueling/Charging Facilities
 - Fueling/Charging Types



Approach

- UCF & FPU
 - Research, Simulation & Emulation
- FAMU & FSU
 - Review of Work Performed by Primary University Partners
 - Allow for Minority Institutions' Participation & Mentoring
- FTE & FPU
 - Development of Test Track
 - Closed Environment Testing
- NASA-KSC
 - Testing of sensors for extreme environments
 - Closed Environment Testing
- CFX & FDOT
 - Freight Vehicle, Infrastructure & Sensor Testing in More Open Environments
- City of Orlando, UCF & Lynx
 - Automobile, Freight, Transit & Bike-Ped Vehicle, Infrastructure & Sensor Testing in Open Environments
- UCF School of Public Administration, FAMU & FSU Law Schools
 - Public Engagement
 - Policy Development
 - Legislative Coordination



Anticipated Benefits

- US DOT Designation/Certification Agreement & Funding Opportunities
- Coordinated Research
- Safer & More Livable Communities
- Independent Pursuit of Other Opportunities
 - University Research
 - Independent engaging of auto-makers, OEMS & interest groups
 - Promoting and branding of work by subsets of the partnership
 - Engaging & utilization of Central Florida tech companies & talent
 - Economic Development
 - Attracting the "Creative Class"
 - Facilitating a culture of continuing innovation, review and R&D



Current Status

- Unofficial designation since mid-January 2017
- Initial Team Meeting early February 2017
- US DOT Convening of 10 winning teams February 27 & 28, 2017
- Sharing of details & opportunities with local governments & other local interest groups



Next Steps

- Development of Partnership MOU
- Development of process for engaging
 - Auto-makers
 - OEMs
 - Local Tech Community
- Dealing with the full range of procurement issues
 - Harmonizing among partners
 - Advocating for local, state and federal law/rule changes
 - Facilitating un-invited/un-solicited suggestions for innovation
- Development of protocols for media engagement as well as requests for, and releasing of, information
- Spring-boarding to other innovative ideas that can improve access, mobility & quality of life in Greater Orlando

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