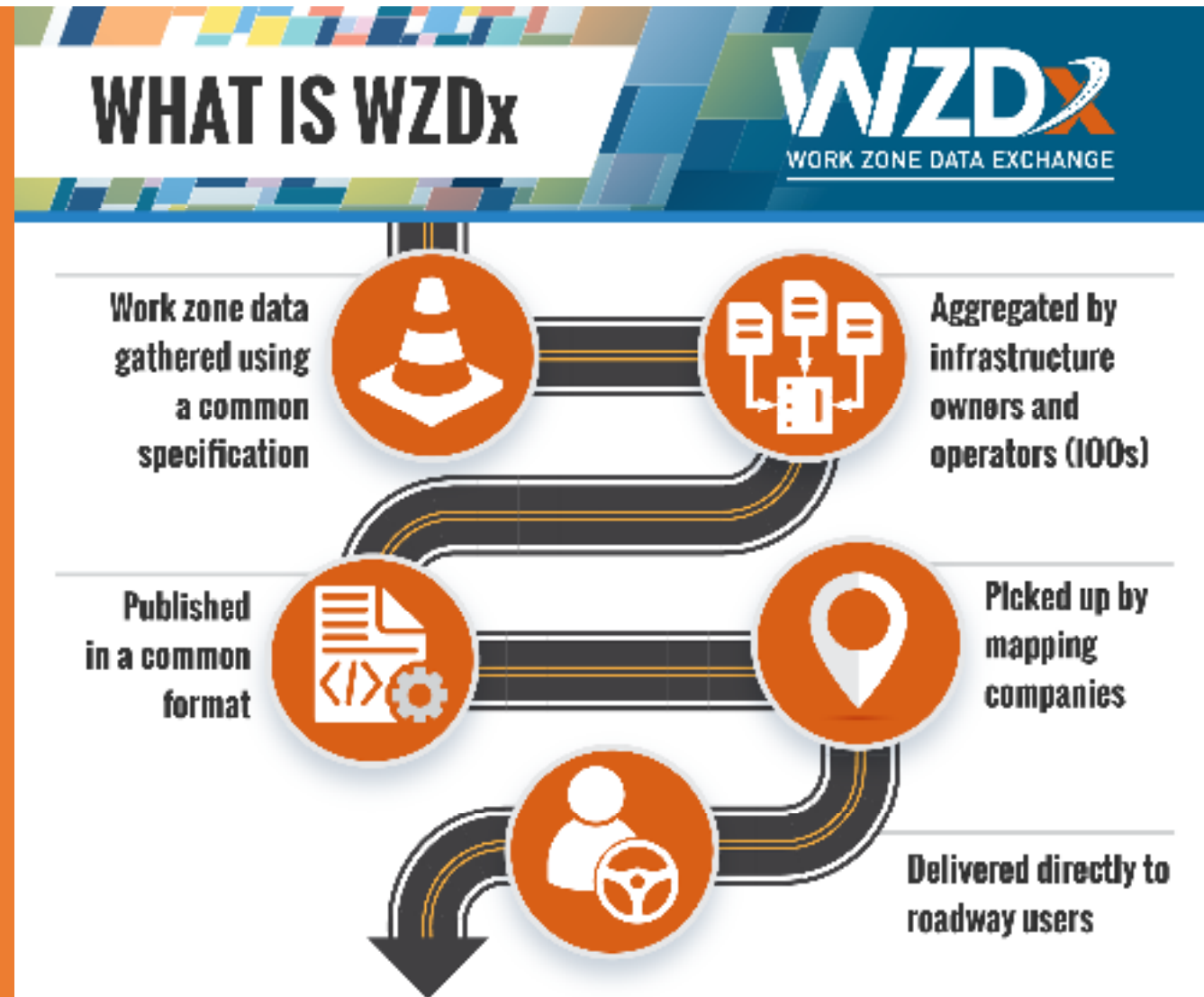


# CONNECTED & AUTOMATED VEHICLE TECHNOLOGY FOR WORK ZONE SAFETY



# WZDx is...

WZDx is a simple, open standard for sharing data about planned and active work zone events.



MDOT wants to eliminate work zone injuries and deaths for construction workers and motorists.



**11**  
**FATAL**  
**WORK ZONE**  
**CRASHES**  
IN 2020

**4,035**  
**WORK ZONE**  
**INVOLVED CRASHES**  
IN 2020

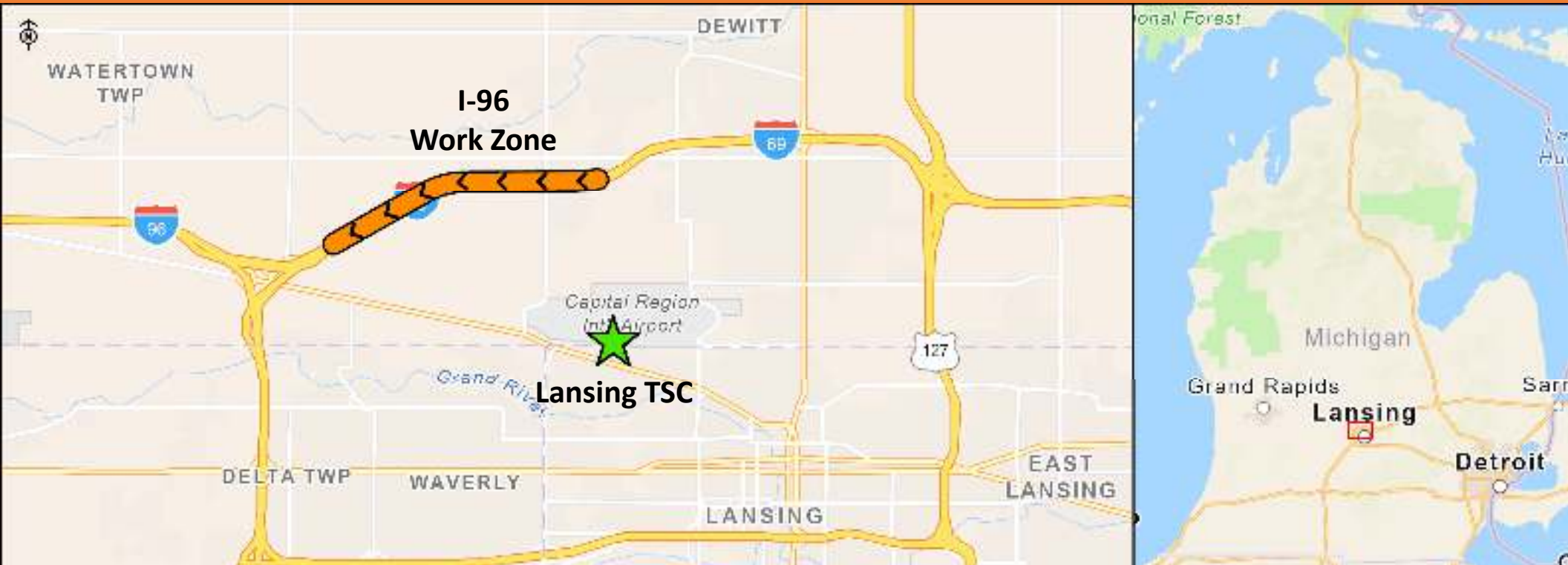
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**WORK ZONE**  
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IN 2020



Promoting advances in Smart Work Zone device adoption leads to improved data quality and improves overall safety of the roadway and work zone.



# THE NOV 3<sup>RD</sup> DEMO



**Proof of Concept: Work Zone Data Exchange (WZDx) Live Information Sharing**  
How MDOT can leverage connected vehicle technology to improve work zone safety?

## LEVERAGING CONNECTED VEHICLE TECHNOLOGY TO IMPROVE WORK ZONE SAFETY





# THE BENEFITS OF SMART WORK ZONES



Improved overall safety of the roadway and work zone



Improved MDOT work zone data quality



Improves automated driving systems (ADS) by recognizing when road construction is active

## COMMERCIAL VEHICLE GRANT



This application will demonstrate how MDOT and its partners plan to address the U.S. Department of Transportation's Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA)'s High Priority – Innovative Technology Deployment's (HP-ITD) goals and objectives by implementing new video detection scene recognition technology, integrated V2X, digital signage, and traffic management safety alerts for work zone management.



**BOSCH**

**HNTB**

**MHCORBIN**



## THE NEXT STEPS

- Utilizing a common passenger vehicle such as a Chevrolet Tahoe
- Testing worker presence in live construction zones
- Utilizing smart work zone devices for information in real time



## LEVERAGING CONNECTED VEHICLE TECHNOLOGY TO IMPROVE WORK ZONE SAFETY



Trial our use of new WZDx 4.0 JSON data structures in a GM Chevy Tahoe:

- Workers Present
- Lane Closures from arrow boards
- Variable speed limit
- Road construction start/end points

Type	Status	Name	Value	Voltage	Road	Mile Post
ET I-96 Novl	Green		3.691 mi.		I-96	151.94
WZLS G2	Green			6.66 V	I-96	151.94
W-2	Green		60	12.59 V	I-96	152.2
Ver-Mac GM Demo	Green			12.96 V	I-96	152.22
Demo worker	Green				I-96	152.68
W-1	Green		60	12.53 V	I-96	153.48
WZLS R2	Green			6.75 V	I-96	155.71

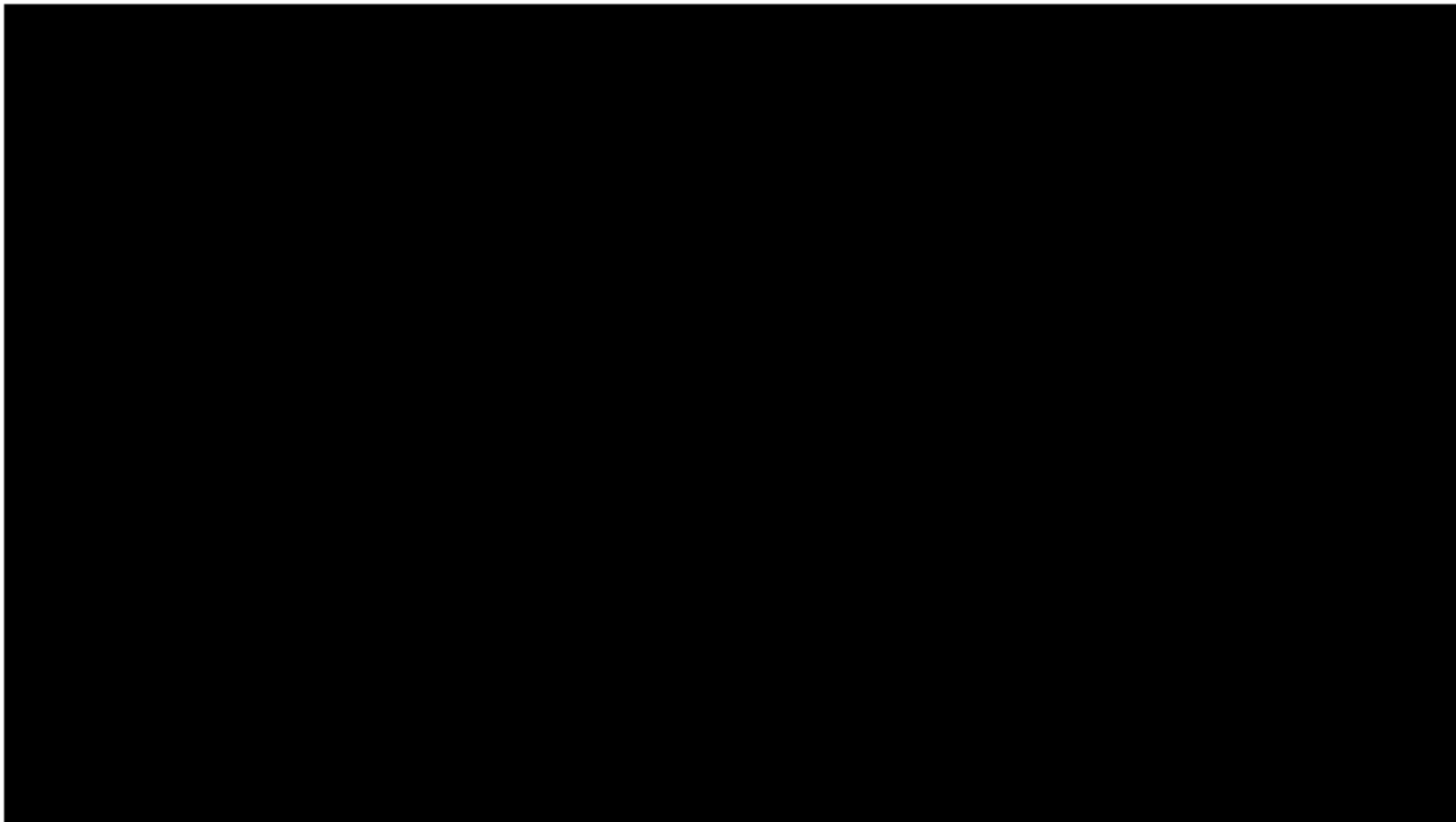
### I-96 FLEX ROUTE CONSTRUCTION PROJECT – 5/18/2022



### WZDx FEED







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## Continued Testing with Orange Pavement Markings



# Orange Pavement Markings Pilot

**56% of Motorists Report Improved Visibility From Orange Lane Markings**

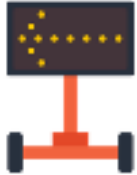
MDOT tested orange pavement markings as both an innovative way to provide delineation and as a reminder to drivers they are in a work zone.

In effort to gauge the impact of orange pavement markings, MDOT conducted a survey on motorists driving through the I-96 work zone.

Our survey showed that over 93% of respondents noticed the orange markings within the work zone.



## Commercial Vehicle FMCSA Grants



Connected Traffic Control Objects



Vendor Backend Data Aggregation



Agency Backend Data Publication



CMV Data Distribution Mediums



Real-time In-vehicle And Work Zone Alerts



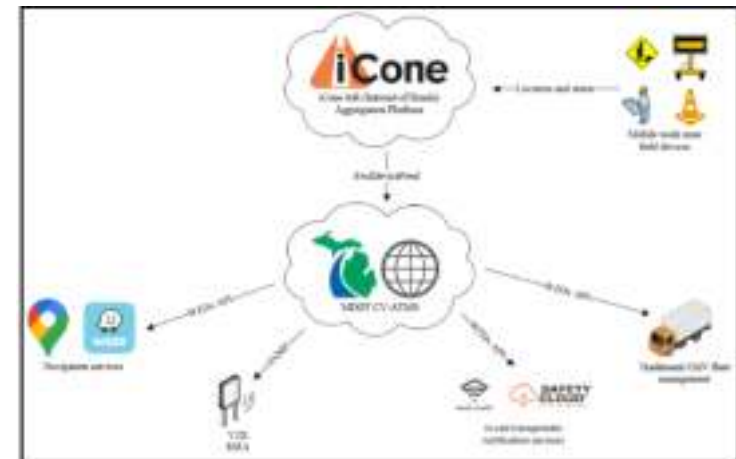
### Safety Alerts for Work Zones (SAFZONE)

Figure 6: Safety Alerts For work ZONE (SAFZONE) system overview



- FMCSA grant awarded in 2021
- Improving static work zones

### Partnering Automated Work Zones (PAWZ)



- Interstates 94, 96, 696, 75, and 275
- Improving mobile work zones for CMV



An aerial view of a city with glowing yellow lines representing roads and highways. The lines are bright and stand out against the darker, more muted colors of the city buildings and streets. The perspective is from a high angle, looking down on the city.

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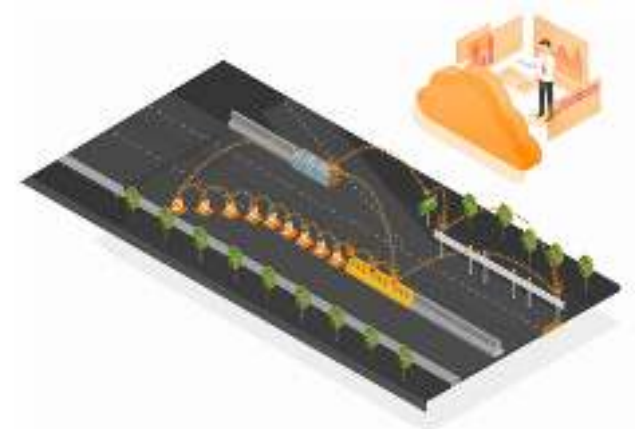
*Bringing the cloud to the road*



Impact Detection  
System  
3M Partnership



Pi-Link Vehicle to Cloud  
Connectivity



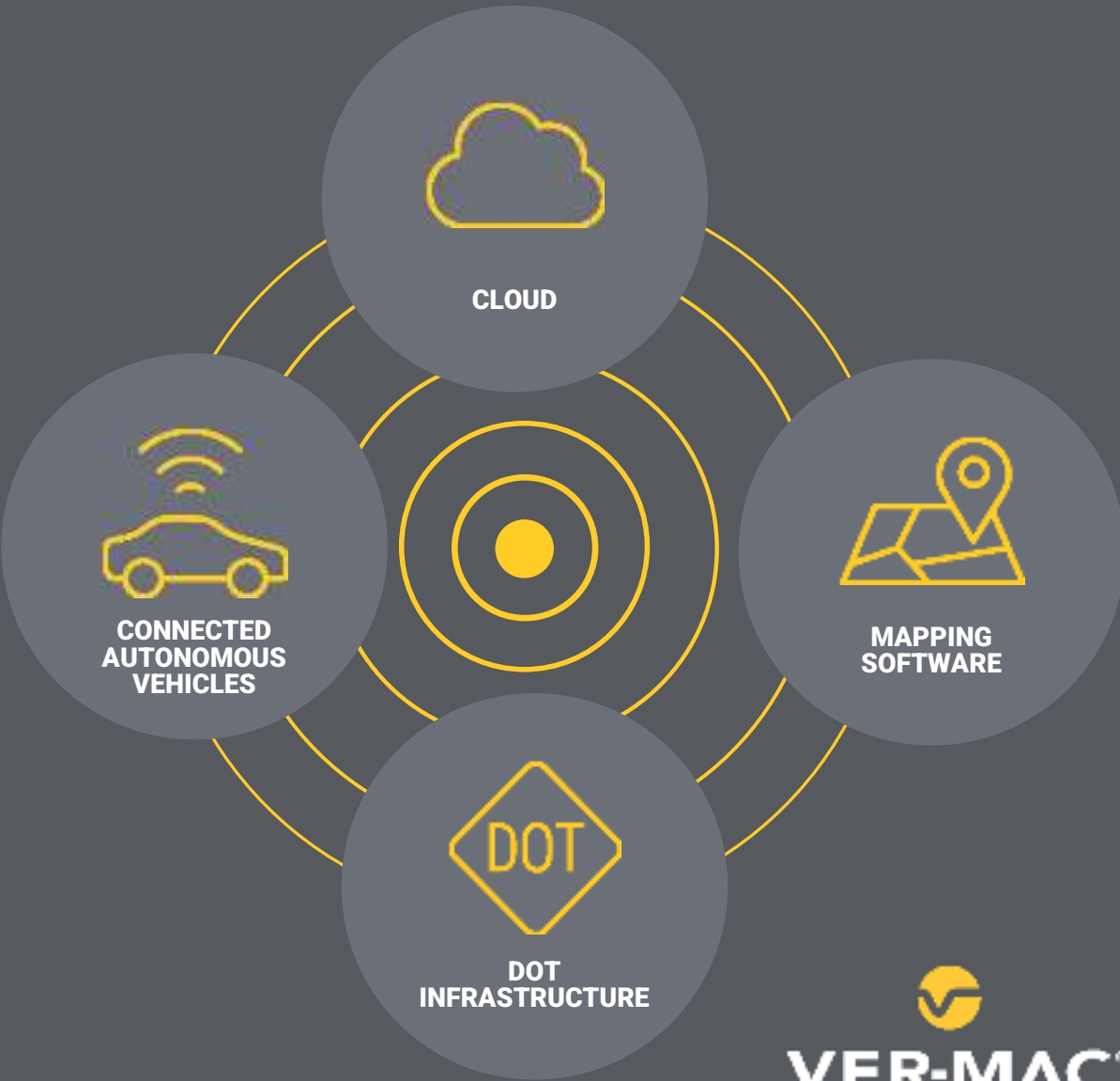
Connected WZ:  
- Equipment Tagging  
- Sequential  
Guidance



# US-127 Demo



**LOW-COST  
SOLUTION**  
**THAT CONNECTS  
WORK ZONE TRAFFIC  
CONTROL DEVICES TO...**







**KNOW**  
IN REAL TIME  
WHEN TRAFFIC CONTROL  
DEVICES ARE ADDED  
TO THE ROADWAY

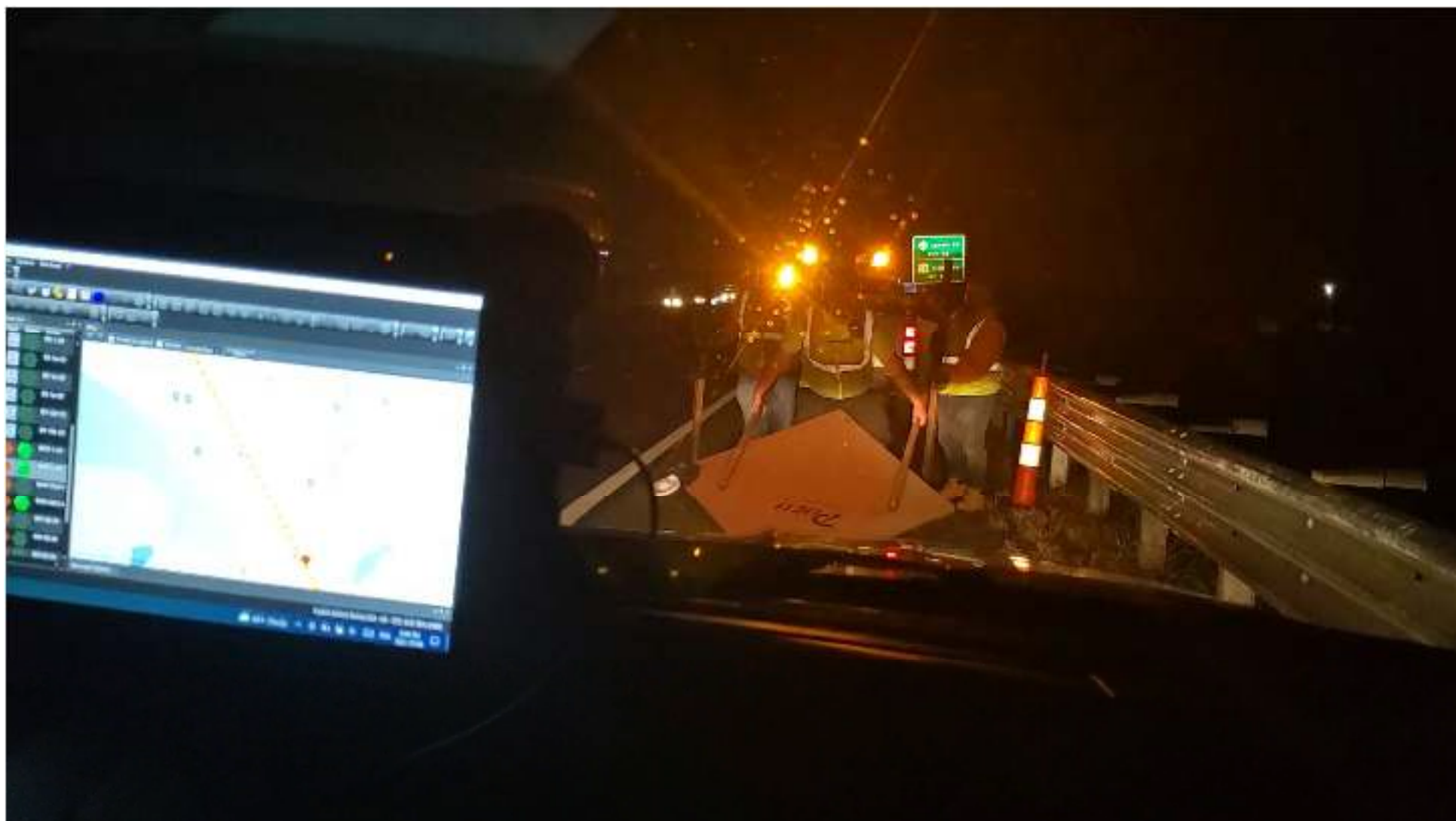


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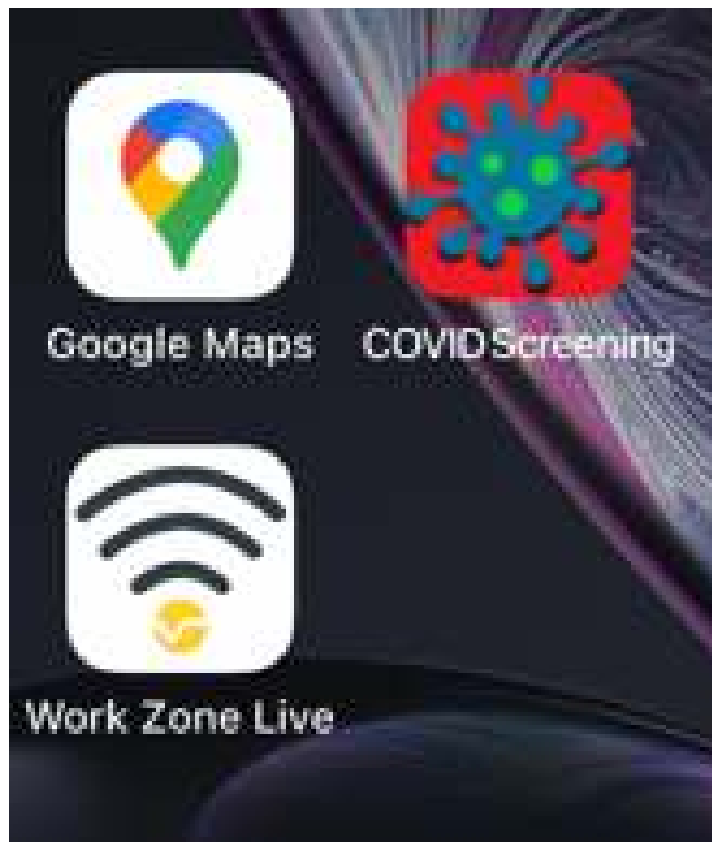


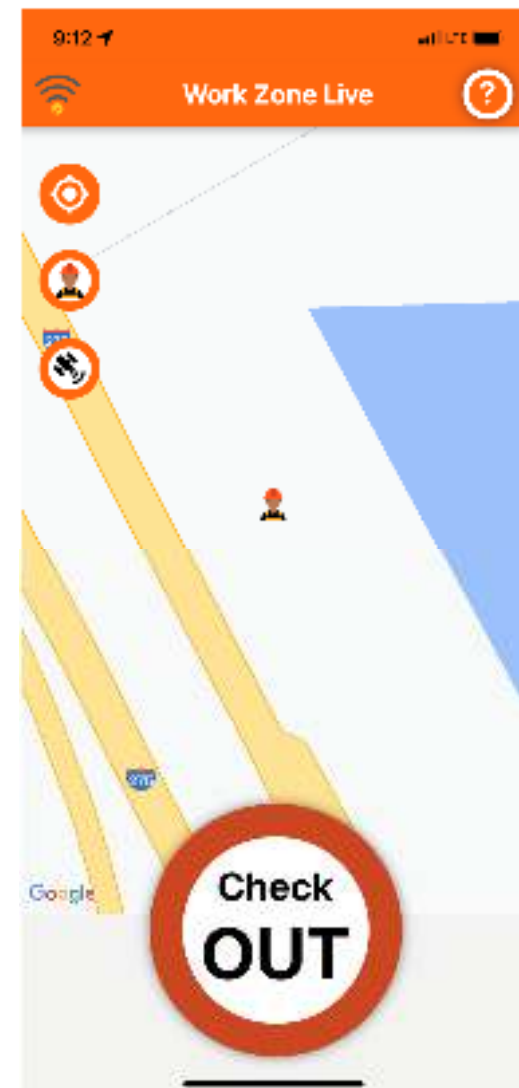
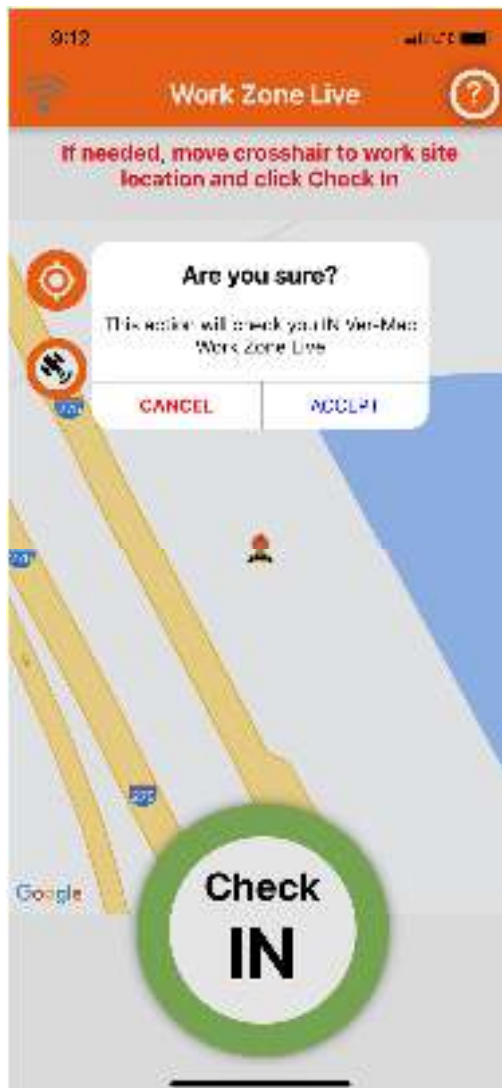
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## Why Should IOO's Smarten their Work Zones



### **Information Dissemination:**

Sending messages to vehicles  
and non-motorized users



### **Measurement of Effectiveness and Efficiency:**

Safety and Mobility



### **Economic & Societal Savings:**

Cost-reduction in auto related  
issues

**GREAT SCOTT!**



**THE FUTURE IS COMING, AND I'M NOT  
SURE WE'RE READY FOR IT**