



# ITS and IntelliDrive<sup>SM</sup> for the **Environment: Transit**

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### IntelliDrive, Transit, and the Environment

Initial Premise Improved air quality and reduced greenhouse gases can be achieved by:

- Increasing transit mode share
- Increasing fuel efficiency and reducing emissions of transit vehicles

IntelliDrive Foundation Transit applications based on the IntelliDrive communications platform can be developed to reach these objectives



## **AERIS Applications Transit**

Leverage IntelliDrive and Transit for Environmental Benefits

- Transit Operations
- Customer Information
- Street Operations for Transit
- Data-Driven Planning
- Fleet Management

Make transit more competitive

Make transit operations more environmentally-friendly
Increase transit's environmental benefit!











## 1. Transit Operations

**Transit Operations** actively manage transit service using real-time data to improve service reliability and accessibility – contributing to more livable communities, reducing SOV trips, and reducing carbon emissions.

#### **Examples of Transit Operations applications include:**

- Real-time operations control
- Dynamic capacity assignment
- Headway and schedule management
- Incident response
- Real-time dispatching
  - Paratransit-Taxi integration
  - Flexible routes
  - Special events

- Reliability is top concern for transit customers
- Reliability can be addressed through real-time operations control





### 2. Customer Information

**Customer Information** provides <u>standardized</u> real-time traveler information on multiple modes so customers can make informed travel decisions.

#### **Examples of Customer Information applications include:**

- Next vehicle
- Travel time on multiple modes
- In-vehicle transfer information
- Smart Parking

- Transit becomes more accessible:
  - Information can reduce anxiety of waiting for a vehicle
  - Transfers can be confidently made in real time
- Knowledge of travel and parking conditions can provide customers with trip options and reduce parking information void





## 3. Street Operations for Transit

**Street Operations for Transit** includes real-time prioritization for transit on select corridors to improve transit operations. Reduced transit travel times and more efficient operations can increase mode share and reduce emissions.

#### **Examples of Street Operations for Transit applications include:**

- Dynamic signal timing schemes based on real-time operations data
- Corridor or city-wide transit signal priority
  - Signal priority based on passenger load profile
- Dynamic tolling to create transit priority streets
- Transit preferential treatment during "code red" air quality days

- Advanced signal timing can improve effectiveness of transit operations
- Exclusive transit right of way has significant positive impact on transit speed and reliability



## 4. Data-Driven Planning

**Data-Driven Planning** includes collecting and archiving data from infrastructure and vehicles to make informed transit planning decisions. More effective route structures can be developed that serve more customers and reduce travel times – increasing transit accessibility.

#### **Examples of Data-Driven Planning applications include:**

- Integration of archived transit and street network data
  - Scheduling optimization
  - Targeted infrastructure improvements
  - Signal timing plans
  - Operations scenario training

- Data standardization could lead to more research and better planning
- Data-driven planning has been shown to improve operations and service delivery



## 5. Fleet Management

**Fleet Management** leverages vehicle-garage, vehicle-vehicle, and vehicle-infrastructure communications to monitor fleet and optimize maintenance to keep fleet running at peak performance.

#### **Examples of Fleet Management applications include:**

- Nightly status updates of vehicle to central maintenance database
- Real-time status of fuel efficiency, oil levels, other critical components
- Dispatch notification of service disruptions, weather, traffic

- Better use of maintenance resources can improve vehicle reliability and service reliability
- Emissions reductions by addressing maintenance issues early on



## **Transit Next Steps**

#### Moving forward with Transit:

- State of the practice scan of transit
- AERIS scenario building with transit as a component
- Expand list of transit applications
- Modeling transit applications
  - Individual and combination of transit applications with other AERIS applications (trucks, cars, etc.)
  - Data needs and gaps
  - Communication requirements
  - Research needs
- Examine deployment issues (e.g., costs, ease of implementation, market penetration, risks, stakeholders, policy considerations)





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