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# Catching Up on Low-speed Automated Vehicles in Public Transit

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# **Learning Objectives**

- Identify trends in vehicles, regulations, and deployments of LSAVs in public and private transit
- 2. Discuss how transit agencies and communities can plan scalable pilots for LSAVs

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# Introduction





# Route map

Introduction

LSAVs in shared mobility before, during, after Covid

Trends in vehicle types, use cases, and operating environments

Meeting safety, access, accessibility, and mobility objectives

A special update on how JTA is advancing AVs as part of its mobility innovation agenda



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Bernard oversees the Ultimate Urban Circulator (U<sup>2</sup>C) initiative and other innovative projects that will connect people and places around downtown Jacksonville through the use of Autonomous Vehicles and other technologies. He led the deployment of Amazon® Robotics fulfillment center as Amazon's General Manager in Jacksonville, FL. Prior to that, Bernard spent 10+ years at United Technologies Corporation, serving as General Manager of UTAS Customer Service Maintenance, a Repair and Overhaul business based in Dubai, UAE. Bernard also served as the Operations Director at TEC (Turkish Engine Center) a Pratt & Whitney joint venture with Turkish Airlines and as Global Materials Manager of Pratt & Whitney Engine Centers in Connecticut, Georgia and international sites. Bernard also held positions with multiple organizations including General Dynamics Electric Boat and Dominion Nuclear Energy Company. He has a Bachelor's degree in Chemical Engineering from University of Rochester and a Master's in Management from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. He is a graduate of the Darden Business School Executive Education program and MIT Sloan School of Management's Artificial Intelligence Certificate Program (CSAIL). He is married with 4 children, speaks 5 languages and is a recreational drone pilot.



# LSAVs in shared mobility before, during, after Covid



### TCRP J-11, Task 27 LSAV in Public Transportation Quick Study

**OBJECTIVE:** Up-to-date guide on planning, piloting, or deploying LSAVs based on expert interviews, lessons learned reviews, literature survey, and reviews of best practices in policy, insurance, safety, operations, and more. VES CULE AUTONOME BASSE VITESSE • ARRÊTS FRÉQUENTS

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# **LSAV Research Timeline**



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Acronyms

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## A Tale of Two Cities and a Military Base



Arlington, TX Off Street, Event Based







**Ft. Bragg, NC** Health Services, Campus



### Trends (as of January 2020)



#### 70 in active planning; 300+ identified in North America

#### Types of Investments

- Federal Access for All; ADS research
- State Innovation Grants
- Private Developers, Utilities, Energy, Financial

#### Demos to Deployments

#### Accessibility /Access

- USDOT
- Barrier Free
- Tulsa Case Study

#### Electrification

**Freight Applications** 

#### LSAV PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION USE CASES

#### Fixed routes

- · Set path between end points and have a number of stops along the way
- Circulators
  - Smaller use cases that allow people to travel between the destinations within a specific neighborhood or campus
- Shuttles (A-B)
  - · Simplified versions of fixed routes or circulators, just travelling between 2 points
- First-mile/last-mile
  - · Connects customers to a faster fixed-route service, effectively increasing the catchment area of a station
- Paratransit
  - · Point-to-point on-demand service, often catering

### **Future Research**

	Baseline Survey of Transit Agency Planning and Implementation
((*	Aligning LSAVs and ODDs
¢	Data-Sharing Mechanisms
ð	Accessibility, ADA Standards, Universal Design
	Sustainable LSAV Shared-Use Service Considerations
	Infrastructure and Efficacy of LSAV Applications

# LSAVs in Transit – Trends During COVID



**Planning Continues** 

### March 2020-2021 Developments



### Pivots, New Pilots –California to Cambridge

### RAPID

Starting in March 2021, the City of Arlington's RAPID service provides autonomous vehicle (AV) rides in on the University of Texas at Arlington's (UTA) campus. With grant funding from the Federal partnering with Via Transportation, May Mobility, and UTA, the City is offering one the c services, linked with an existing transportation service. Using the Via app or by calling 81 ride within the service of usines visitors news e-services (WANT TO ovative technology! ARLINGTON What is RAPID? Where does RAPID operate. When can I ride RAPID? How many passengers can RAPID hol ls RAPID wheelchair accessibl Do I pay a fare? Can I use an app to hail RAPID on my phone How old must I be to ride RAPID? If someone or something falls or jumps in front of the vehicle, will RAPID stop?





## Moving Forward

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Consumer Acceptance

Planning

Technology Education

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Planning Evaluation MCORES NCTCOG HAWAI'I ACES Tulsa Mobility Innovation Framework Pinellas County

#### **Evaluation**

Utah DOT Houston Metro Contra Costa Transportation Authority (CCTA)



### Smart Infrastructure Investing

- Streets, Curbs, Lanes
- System Integration Connected Tech IoT
- MaaS
- Curbside Management
- Parking Tech
- Mobility Hubs Freight & Passenger
- Electric Charging



### **The AV Shuttle-Ready Curb**

**AV Legible Curbs:** Clear lines and patterns for a "machine readable resistant to alterations

Amenity Car Share: Fleets available to building residents and workers to support car-light living and value of transit Activity Buffers: Provides a barrier that reduces shuttles' reaction to low-risk pedestrian activity **Real Time Information:** Increases transit user convenience and ability to plan travel

**Flexible Infrastructure:** Increases transit user convenience and ability to make the most of curb demand



### ACCESSIBLE



Accessible vehicles and services allow for all to travel without regard to disability or socioeconomic circumstances

### **AUTOMATED**

Vehicles that use different autonomous features can travel in narrower lanes and closer together, improving fuel economy, and effectively increasing road capacity without pouring more pavement

### CONNECTED

Vehicles and infrastructure with sensors and Wi-Fi or dedicated short-range communication allow vehicles and infrastructure to communicate with cyclists and walkers, other vehicles and infrastructure, increasing safety and efficiency

### **ELECTRIC**

Vehicles powered by renewable energy reduce fuel use and carbon emissions



### SHARED

Vehicles—whether cars, bicycles, shuttles, buses or rail cars where rides or ownership is shared reduce congestion, costs, and total vehicle miles travelled





# Trends in vehicle types, use cases, and operating environments















# **40** Companies making automated passenger vehicles













### But there is so - much - more





















# Use Cases







### Service Models & Use Cases

Use Cases

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Operating Design Domains

#### **Service Models**

- Fixed-Route
- On-demand
- Prearranged route
   or zone-based
- Flexible route-based
- Private property

#### Use Cases for LSAVs

- Fixed-route
- Circulators
- Shuttles (A-B)
- First/Last Mile
- Paratransit
- Educational Services
- Health Care Services
- Employment
- Entertainment
- Recreation/Retail
- Parking
- Residential Developments/Senior Social Services

# Managing ODDs




# **Operational Design Domain (ODD)**

- Common terms that may be used by developers to describe their ODD
- Logically organized, but structurally agnostic
- Semantic labels, definitions, ranges



Weather-related environmental conditions



**Operational constraints** 



**Road Users** 



**Roadway infrastructure** 



**Road surface conditions** 





Non-static roadside objects

Connectivity

ODD Lexicon – SAE Autonomous Vehicle Safety Consortium (AVSC)

# **Operational Design Domain (ODD)**

#### **Characteristics in operating environment:**

Posted/operational speeds, Intersections/crossings, Road conditions

ODD	Description/significance	Example	
Level of interaction with other road users (Right of Way):			
Exclusive off-street guideway	Operates in dedicated guideway or path; may be governed by geo-fencing or physical infrastructure	Jacksonville Ultimate Urban Circulator (U <sup>2</sup> C)	
Off-street multi-use pathway	No light-duty vehicle traffic; pedestrians, cyclists, scooters present	Arlington Milo shuttle	
On-street pathway, dedicated lane for LSAVs	Dedicated lane with other traffic, no physical barrier	Jacksonville (JTA) Bay Street Corridor	
On-street pathway, dedicated lane for LSAVs and other transit vehicles	Dedicated to specific types of vehicles and transit	Tampa downtown shuttle	
On-street, mixed-traffic	ROW/street in mixed traffic	Bedrock Detroit shuttle	
Crossings/Turns: This refers to how the route of the vehicle crosses the path of other vehicles.			
Unprotected left-hand turns	The vehicle must cross the pathway of other vehicles.	N/A	

Use Cases Operating Design Domains





# Meeting safety, access, accessibility, and mobility objectives





# How have agencies thought about LSAVs thus far?

- Public transit agencies first looked to LSAVs primarily to understand the technology and its potential applications
  - Agencies, cities, and private providers have tested different uses.
  - Agencies are planning MOD and fixed route service; but there are no known plans to replace an existing route with LSAV service.

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# Exploring further LSAV-transit integration

- RTD (Denver)'s AV shuttle for the firstmile/last-mile from a commuter rail station was operated in 2019
- In process for a few years, Jacksonville Transit Authority (JTA)'s Ultimate Urban Circulator (U2C) LSAV project aims to replace and extend their elevated SkyTrain
- Mobility Hubs and other infrastructure efforts seek to integrate LSAVs and other AVs into the shared mobility system including transit, microtransit, shared vehicles, MaaS, and MoD



# **Use Case Examples**

Use Cases	Examples
Fixed-Route	Jacksonville, FL; Mountain View, CA
Circulators	Grand Rapids, MI; Columbus, OH; Gainesville, FL
Shuttles (A-B)	Babcock Ranch, FL; Tampa, FL
First/Last Mile	Providence, RI; Utah DOT/UTA; Weymouth, MA; Reston, VA; Denver, CO
Paratransit	Honolulu, HI
Educational Opportunity	Ann Arbor, MI (University of Michigan MCity Pilot); Gainesville, FL
Health Care Services	Ft. Bragg, NC; GoMed Shuttle, Las Vegas; and Youngstown, OH
Employment	Pawtucket, RI; and Frisco, TX
Entertainment and Recreation/Retail	City of Arlington (TX), the Assembly (GA)
Access to Parking	Bedrock Detroit; City of Arlington (TX)
Retirement Community /Senior Social Services	The Villages (FL and CA) and Grand Rapids, MI

Use Cases

Operating Design Domains

### LSAV Practitioner Guide – A Walking Tour Building projects for financial & operational sustainability and scalability Monitoring reports **Operations** manuals RFP examples Vision documents Feasibility reports

### **Resources:**

- Sample Contracts
- Procurement Documents
- Long Range Planning Reports
- Mobility Innovation Frameworks
- Customer Acceptance
  Surveys
- Info on Insurance
- Concept of Operations
- Checklist for planning & implementation
- Long term initiatives
- Monitoring and Evaluation



Figure 5.1. Practitioner Guide overview.

30 Low-Speed Automated Vehicles (LSAVs) in Public Transportation ✓ Long-Range Planning. Incorporate LSAV projects into existing regional and state long-range plans and evaluate potential projects to be placed in constrained plans, such as Capital and operating budgets, 5.7 Sustainability Constrained LRTPs, **Resources (Part 1)**  Transit development plans, and ✓ Capital Planning. Review and update state, municipal, and transit agency capital planning Preparing Communities for ✓ Funding. Create a funding matrix of public and private grant, contract, and innovation Autonomous Vehicles, APA ✓ Long-Term Initiatives. Integrate the LSAV service into longer-term projects, including APA AV Knowledge Base\* Curbside management studies, APTA Research Digital infrastructure, General public transit improvement plans, Page on Autonomous and Human services plans, Electric Vehicles\* Land-use studies, Lane reallocation and complete streets initiatives, CTAA Statement Local and regional corridor transportation plans, of Principles for Municipal capital planning, Automated Parking studies, and Vehicles ✓ Next-Generation Planning Tools. Develop and adopt next-generation operational planning NACTO Blueprint • Capacity management through pricing, geofencing, and data from infrastructure and for Autonomous tools, including Urbanism (second edition 2019) vehicle sensors; Cross-sector technology planning; National League Data-based planning and operations tools; of Cities Autonomous Land use; Mobility innovation and smart city plans; Vehicles: A Policy Preparation Guide Public–private partnerships; Scenario planning; and ✓ Mobility Hub Plans. Design adaptive mobility hubs at transit stations, taking into National League of Cities Autonomous Vehicle Pilots consideration: Multimodal passenger and delivery services, Support for amenities and adaptive or future-proofed infrastructure design, Across America (2018) Designated pick-up and drop-off areas, Bike and pedestrian infrastructure, NCTCOG • Universal access through design and operation, Automated and • Electric charging and communications facilities, and **Connected Vehicles**  Strong sense of placemaking including key retail services. ✓ Curbside Management Plans. Develop and implement strategies to manage curbside as a Planning Page\* terminal for AV drop-off and pick-up for passengers and goods, including Miami-Dade TPO Connected- Dynamic pricing and geofencing; Autonomous Policies relating to managing micromobility including smaller, automated electric vehicles Vehicle Program\* Click on the item to • Enhanced accessibility for people with disabilities at the curb. access the resource. \*updated periodically

### Keys to Scaling LSAVs in Transit

# Delivering Real Benefits with LSAV Technology

- 1. Mobility enhancing movement through the city on a network
- 2. Access improving the ability for people to equitably reach crucial services/amenities
- 3. Accessibility allowing all people to use new mobility services
- 4. Safety protocols and systems that help autonomous technology to be robustly implemented to help drive trust in the technology

# Accessibility & Equity



# Expanding Access & Enhancing Mobility

### **LSAV Planning Integration**



Figure D.1.3. Key new mobility corridors.

### Long-Range Planning (e.g. existing regional/state long-range plans)

- Evaluate potential projects to be placed in constrained plans, such as:
  - Capital and operating budgets
  - Constrained Long-Range Transportation Plans
  - Transit development plans, Transportation Improvement Plans (TIPs)

#### **Capital Planning**

 Review and update state, municipal, and transit agency capital planning documents and budgets

#### Long-term initiatives

 Curbside management, digital infrastructure, land use, lane reallocation /complete streets projects, parking studies

Payment and policy integration into the larger mobility ecosystem can help improve access for all users and potentially serve regional objectives

# Protocols to help ensure safety during LSAV deployments

- Hazards assessment and mitigation,
- Safety operations protocols,
- On-board diagnostics,
- Initial & refresher safety operator training plans,
- Emergency preparedness plans, and
- Continuous improvement processes to help ensure vigilance and up-to-date safety practices throughout the project

# Excerpt from EasyMile Site Assessment Report (2017)

Infrastructure Changes Required	Reason
Concrete crossing turnouts	The existing multiuse pathway is not wide enough for two vehicles to pass.
Rocks along lake edge	This gave the vehicle additional reference points to minimize risk associated with localization deviation. This path followed a small lake that had insufficient reference points for the EasyMile vehicle.
Birdhouses along path	These provided fixed reference points for the vehicle to identify its location when clear edges are not available.
Tree/grass trimming	This kept the path clear for the EZ10 shuttle and ensured that grass clippings/branches would not be interpreted as obstacles that slowed the operation of the vehicle.
Signage and path marking	This is for users of the path and shuttle riders, to help them go to the right location and to share the path with the EZ10.

Well-developed training programs for operators and hazard mitigation plans help improve safety of LSAV operations



# What's on your mind?



# Questions

- 1. Nature of Research
- 2. Trends
- 3. Use Cases and ODDs
- 4. Meeting Objectives
- 5. Perspective of a Transit Agency
- 5. Future Research



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# **Ultimate Urban Circulator**

Impact through Automation and Innovation



Bernard Schmidt VP of Automation & Innovation Jacksonville Transportation Authority

# Ultimate Urban Circulator (U<sup>2</sup>C) Journey



### Automation & Innovation Division









## Jacksonville Transportation Authority





#### Ultimate Urban Circulator (U<sup>2</sup>C)



**Bay Street Innovation Corridor Project** 

BUILD Grant Funding Active 2 Step Procurement Contract Award 3Q21







# The Original Concept













### Autonomous Avenue









#### Autonomous Ave

### Where are we today??

Construction

Cost

Schedule Demolition

✓ Retrofit Concepts complete – 2 Possible Options

Track Design

Width

Drainage

Crash wall

Hand rails

Roadsurface

ADA

✓ Structural & Engineering evaluation (Roadway, Structure, & Stations)

**Focus Areas** 

**Stations** 

Level Boarding

Guideway Approach

Platform Modifications

Structure

**Unique Structures** 

**Code Change** 

Conditions

✓ ADA analysis Complete

**Operations** 

speeds/superlevation

Boarding/Alighting

Forwards/Backwards

Technology Agnostic

"Vehicle Certification '

"Turn arounds"

Operating

Project

Description

**Typical Section** 

Structure

Background

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#### 3 Main Issues Resolved

- ADA Compliance of Retrofit
- Roadway Design to Sustain Retrofit
- Existing Station Modification



Product

U<sup>2</sup>C Conversion

Template







### U<sup>2</sup>C – Connecting Elevated & 'At Grade'







#### Ultimate Urban Circulator U<sup>2</sup>C

- ✓ Expands System to 10 miles
- ✓ Connects to neighborhoods and redevelopment areas
- ✓ Leverages multiple public investments
- ✓ Creates autonomous transportation network.







#### Agile Plans

- 22 Opportunities
- 5-6 Vehicles
- Private Land Operation
- High Utilization
- Widespread Visibility
- Manual Scheduling
- Low Infrastructure / Low Capital
- Supports Test & Learn Strategy
- Can be concurrent with BSIC







### Agile Plan – FSCJ South Campus







### Agile Plan – Jacksonville University



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JTA Autonomous Vehicle Agile Shuttle Program Jacksonville University Proposal JTA Autonomous Vehicle – Agile Shuttle Program

#### Candidate Site Background/Conditions

The Jacksonville University (JU) Campus offers a full spectrum of college credit and certification classes, serving as a private non-profit institution. The main JU Campus, located riverfront to the St. Johns River, sits on 240 acres. Campus population nears 4,222 students (Fall 2017 Semester).



The main Campus is home several colleges as well as on-campus housing, athletic facilities, Swisher Library,

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student facilities, and dining options. The College of Arts and Sciences, the Davis College of Business, the Brooks Rehabilitation College of Healthcare Sciences, and the Linda Berry Stein College of Fine Arts conduct JU's traditional undergraduate and graduate academic programs. Jacksonville University offers more than 100 academic majors and programs across all disciplines and locations, including downtown Jacksonville.

Most buildings are adjacent to a pedestrian courtyard that facilitates bicycle and pedestrian movement. The campus includes more than 30 buildings, several athletic facilities, and eight residence halls or village apartments. Parking facilities are available for students and staff, with restrictions based on enrollment. Limited parking is available for visitors and alumni.

Most recent demographics show 2,877 undergraduate and 1,345 graduate students. Student population is mostly white (47%), followed by Black or African American (15%), and Hispanic (9%). Student profile includes students from 47 states, 4 districts and territories and 51 foreign countries represented. (Fall 2017 Fact Book).





ngs Student Housing

Student Facilities





### Agile Plan – Mayo Clinic



JACKSONVILLE TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY JTA Autonomous Vehicle – Agile Shuttle Program

#### Candidate Site Background/Conditions

The Mayo Clinic Jacksonville is a comprehensive medical center situated on 400 acres near the intersection of J T Butter Blvd. and San Pablo Rd. The center contains a mix of services, including a full hospital, outpatient care, research and a hotel. The three main buildings at the site are the Davis Building, the Mayo Building and the Cannaday Building. Excluding lodging, the center draws approximately 5,500 employees across several lots spread around the property.



Employee shuttle service is available across most lots. Service hours vary. Posted frequency is 10 minutes. Patient and visitor shuttle service is offered from 8 am to 5 pm, though parking locations are more convenient. Employee parking appears to be more of a challenge, with some lots over a 10-min walk. z

Construction results in some locations being logistically challenging to walk around.

JTA Autonomous Vehicle Agile Shuttle Program Mayo Clinic Proposal












## Jacksonville Transportation Authority

### **MAYO COVID-19 OPERATIONS**

Friday, April 3 through Thursday, July 16



#### JTA – Innovating during a time of Crisis

- First Level 4 Autonomous Use Case in the US to move COVID-19 Specimens
- Approx. 30,000 COVID-19 Specimens transported with **ZERO SAFTEY INCIDENTS**.
- Benchmark Test and Learn Program for moving product in mixed-traffic conditions
- Socialization Experiment

## Test and Learn – Current Approach & Strategy







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## Jacksonville Transportation Authority





#### JTA – Test and Learn Program – AV Leadership & R&D – 'Golden 20'

#### Jacksonville Transportation Authority

Subject:	Release of JTA's top 20 High level Critical requirements for Autonomous Vehicles
Date:	June 21, 2019
From:	Bernard Schmidt VP of Automation
TO:	AV Manufacturers & AV Tech Companies
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After considerable research, the JTA Automation Division has identified the critical requirements for acceptable deployment of Autonomous Vehicles/Shuttles for its Ultimate Urban Circulator (U<sup>2</sup>C) program. These requirements are particular to the TTA but are analogous to what we believe are critical requirements for all public transit agencies looking to deploy such a service.

These requirements are not all inclusive and we may find circumstances which dictate the need to add and modify this list. This is meant to serve as initial guidance to autonomous vehicle (AV) manufacturers and technology stack providers. These requirements are to be considered proprietary to the JTA and are copyrighted and are not to be shared or distributed beyond this memo without written consent of the JTA.

Below is the list of the 20 critical needed items/capabilities identified by the Automation Division for Autonomous Shuttles also known as the "Golden 20"

#### GOLDEN 20

JTA's (and Public Transportation's) Critical Needs of Autonomous Shuttles/Vehicles

- 1) Full ADA Compliance
- Buy America/Buy American Compliance 31 Cybersecurity
- Remote Route Programming with Low Latency NHTSA Approval to operate on Public Road
- Vehicle to Infrastructure and V'X Capabilities (DSRC & 5G) Traverse Slope of ± 12 Degrees w/ Full Passenger load (Sustained Acceleration/Deceleration) 6)
- Operate bidirectionally up to 35 MPH
- >12 hours of battery life
- 10) Operate at speeds of 15 MPH within ± 1 foot of Stationary Object Operate at speeds of 15 MPH within ± 3 feet of Moving Object
- May Operate during Inclement Weather (Rain, Fog, Wind, and Extreme Heat) 11)
- 12) Internal Cab - Environment control with Rapid Cool capability A Sustained temperature with Full Passenger Load Ability to be towed; Push/Pull and Steer AV Manually or towed via another AV
- 13)
- Crash Worthy up to 35 MPH 14) 15)
- Ability for Fast Charge/Opportunity Charging 16) Ability to regulate passenger capacity
- 17)
  18)
- System for recording/storing video for at least 30 days (Black Box) Emergency button to contact Authority/Agency control center Remote command & control operations of vehicles with low latency 19)
- 20) Complete Vehicle Monitoring system, including health monitoring

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The JTA will provide further details, guidance and explanation for each of the define requirements upon request. Our AV test protocol and program will also provide further guidance and establish more define pass fail criteria for the U'C program. For autonomous shuttles which do not meet any or some of these critical requirements, the AV manufacturers will need to provide detailed explanation on how they plan to meet them in the future or provide an alternate solution deemed acceptable by the JTA.



#### Test Procedure: ADS - 2 : Perform a lane change/low speed merge

Operational De	Test Proced	lure: ADS – 3	3 : Move	Out of	Travel	Lane to Pull Over/Park		
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- New Test & Learn site is located in Jax. FL at the JTA Armsdale P-N-R Facility/FSCJ (AV's, CAV Technology, 3-D Ped. Cross-walks).
- Multiple vehicles across multiple platforms
- 1 ADA Prototype
- 1<sup>st</sup> Retrofit FMVSS Compliant AV



## Test and Learn Expansion - FMVSS Compliant AV

#### 1<sup>st</sup> of its Kind

- Buy America Compliant \* ADA Compliant \* FMVSS
- All Electric













Automation Division



## Test and Learn Expansion - 3D mapping / Drone Technology

#### 3D Mapping of Sites and JTA Assets

- Asset Management
- Preventative Maintenance activitites

\* U<sup>2</sup>C Simulations
\* Property Analysis & Surveys







#### **AV Down Select**

Vehicle Design & Selection

- Test & Learn will leverage JTA owned Facility & Properties
- Commence connected
   Signal & V2I Testing
- Expansion beyond AV Shuttles. JTA will test and pilot multiple AV technologies
- Incorporate and leverage Agile projects with local Universities and Businesses

## Continued Expansion of Test & Learn







### Test and Learn Expansion - Armsdale Facility

- Test track buildout in progress
  - V2X/ V2I Testing
  - Remote Command & Control Operations

- \* U<sup>2</sup>C Simulations
- \* Quality & Safety standards development
- Multiple AVs fully commissioned at this location and tests are ongoing









## Test and Learn Expansion – Critical testing Elements









## Test and Learn – Testing Activities

#### Obstacle Overtake Maneuver



JTA Strategy is to Launch AV service with L3 and transition to L4

#### Milestones Achieved by JTA:

- Most L4 Operation hrs on AV Shuttles than other transit agency
- Most certified AV operators amongst peers
- Over 350Hrs of customer interaction, events, and vehicle perception feedback.
- Most comprehensive test program





Automation Division



### **FSCJ Partnership** Test & Learn Expansion

#### MOU is signed

- Use of Cecil Field Test Track
- Collaborating on curriculum and internships
- Agile Plan/Campus Circulator Implementation
- JTA leaders are members of FSCJ ADAS Tech Advisory Team
  - A grant awarded to FSCJ by the National Science Foundation to address Advanced Driver Assistance Systems (ADAS) and autonomous vehicles (AV)
- Test track configuration in planning











## **Other Projects**







# Imagine JTA Partnership to provide: The first eVTOL air taxi service on the market



#### What is Required??



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Bernard Schmidt, Jacksonville Transportation Authority



John Good, Independent Consultant





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- Will provide updates on the current research and development, advanced engineering progress, and field deployment results of vehicle technologies.
- Topic areas being discussed include: Safety of Automation, Equity and Environment, Public-Private Infrastructure and Operations, Automated Freight Movement
- Will also focus on issues impacting the USDOT and State DOTs resulting from road vehicle automation advancements

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