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Sneak Peek into National Strategic Directions in Highway Automation



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National Perspective on Roadway Automation

Readiness:

Insights from the Dialogue

ITS Minnesota T3 Forum on Connected Automated Vehicles

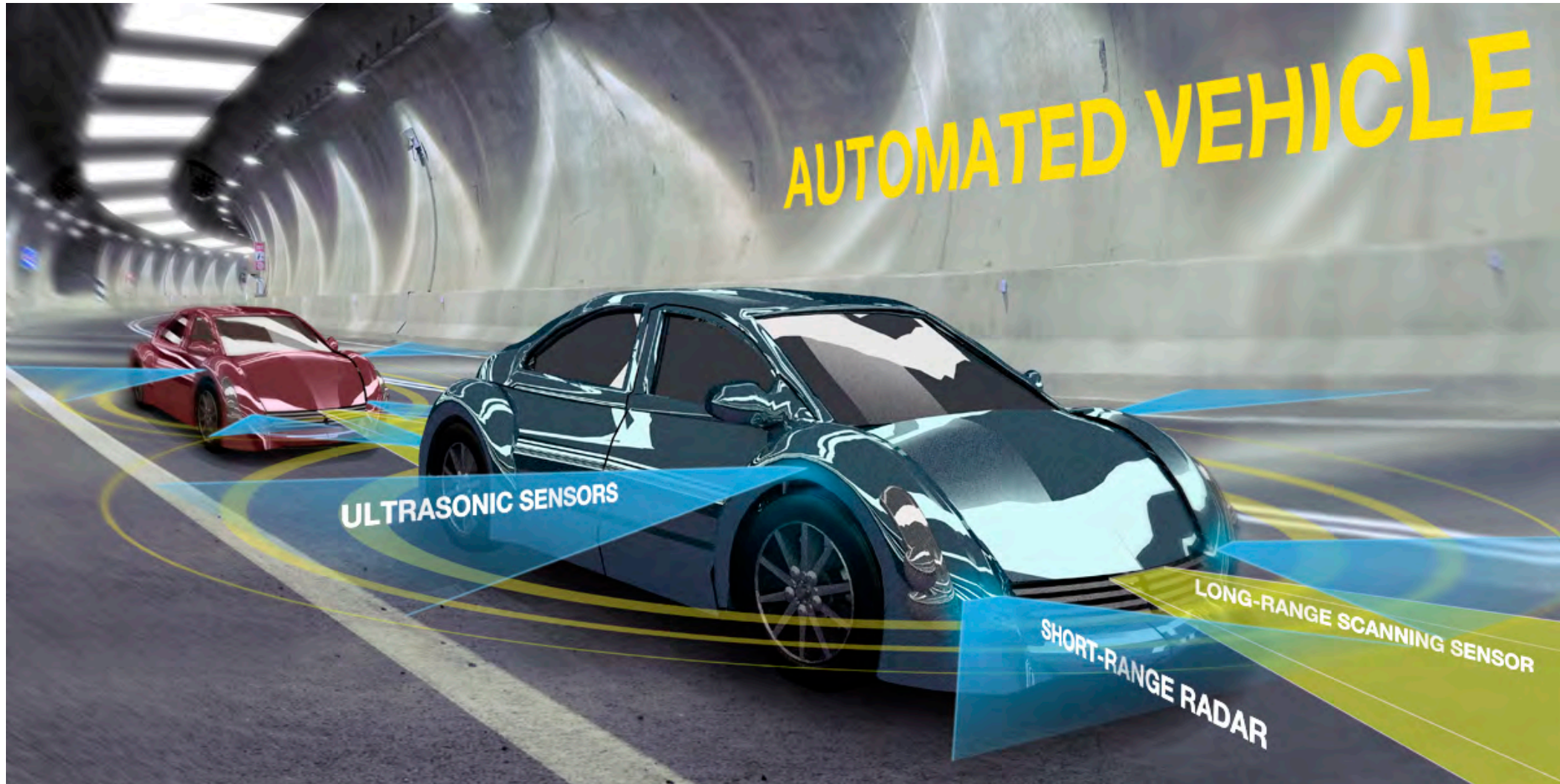
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Evolving the Vehicle-Highway System



Source: U.S. DOT

Automated Vehicle Technologies



National Dialogue on Highway Automation

Key objectives

1. Assess national issues and priorities.
2. Develop guidance, best practices, standards.
3. Support necessary research.
4. Adapt programs and policies.
5. Create a national community or coalition.



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March 2018

Select Themes:

- Greater **Uniformity and Quality** in road markings and traffic control devices would enable automation.
- Certain **Data Elements** about the roadway environment are useful for industry, State, and local DOTs to share and could improve automation operations.
- Conducting **Pilots** and supporting pilot testing are important for facilitating learning and collaboration.
- **Uncertainty** in infrastructure investment and allocation of limited resources are key concerns for State and local agencies.
- FHWA should take a **Leadership** role in convening stakeholders to encourage **Collaboration**.



Preparing for the Future of Transportation: AV 3.0



National Dialogue 2018 Workshop Themes

Additional Key Insights:

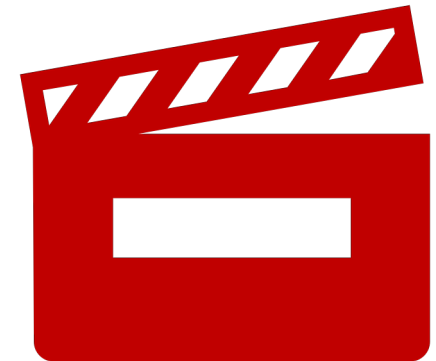
- National vision for automation could clarify goals and focus action.
- Coordinated communication about technology can encourage **public acceptance**.
- State and local **agencies need education**, resources, and guidance.
- Need to better understand opportunities to integrate **automated freight operations**.
- Need clear processes and practice to guide **public safety & emergency response interactions**.
- The transportation **planning process** may need to evolve.
- **Data** exchanges, standardization, and lifecycle management can accelerate integration of Av's.
- Need to update infrastructure design, structural, and operations **standards**



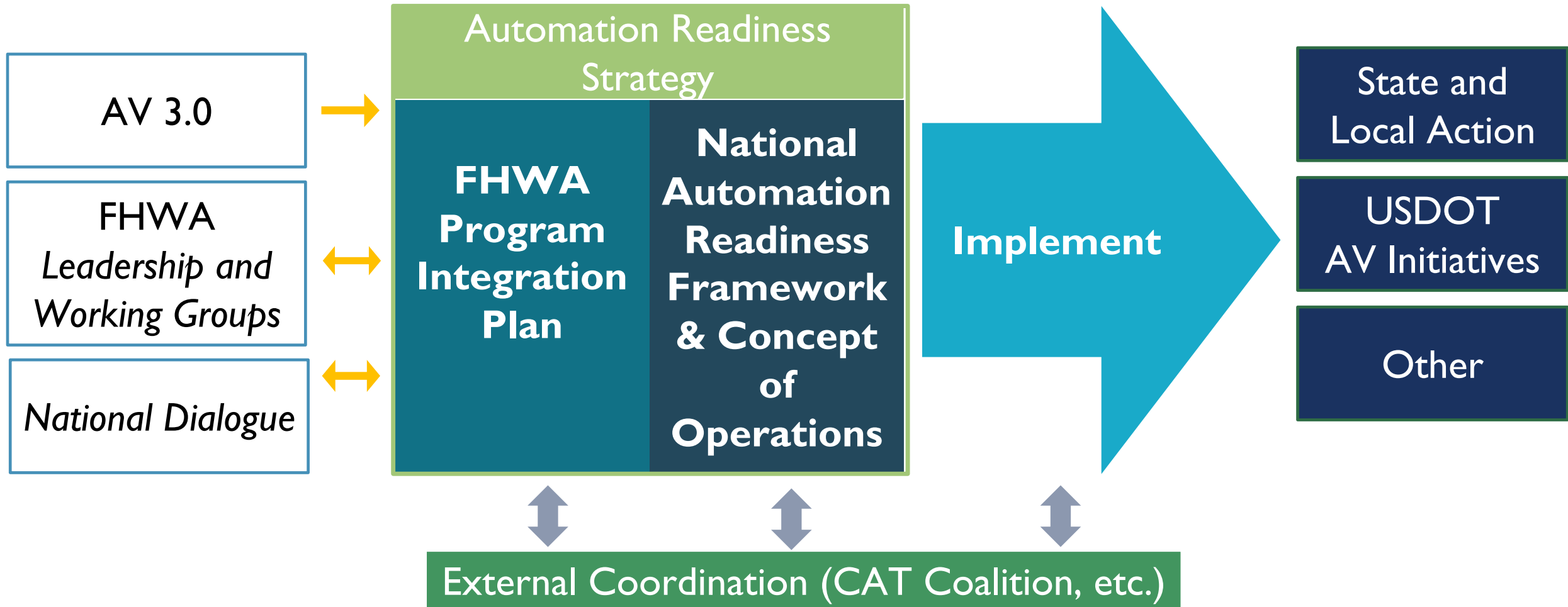
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Action Opportunities from the Dialogue

1. Support state and local agencies to define and enable roadway automation readiness.
2. Collaboratively inform communities and stakeholders.
3. Understand and manage the uncertainty of impacts.
4. Incrementally prepare national roadway infrastructure.



FHWA Automation Readiness Strategy



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For More Information



www.transportationops.org/resources-connected-and-autonomous-vehicles

<https://transportationops.org/CATCoalition>

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Washington County

CAV Counties

Presentation Topics

- County Highway System
- Local Road Research Board
- Markings
- Signs
- What's next?

Minnesota Highway System

Roadway Type	Miles
Interstate	914
Trunk Highway	10,813
County Highways	43,530
City	22,487
Other	60,705
State Total	138,449

County Highway System

- 4x Larger than State System
- Variable Configurations
 - Two Lane Rural Roads
 - Multi Lane Suburban Arterials
 - Urban Core – Multi Modal
 - Surface Type
 - Traffic Volumes
 - Truck Routes

Local Road Research Board



Preparing Local Agencies for the Future of Connected and Autonomous Vehicles

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MAY 2019

Research Project
Final Report 2019-18



Report 2019-18

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Shauna Hallmark
- Technical Liaison:
Douglas Fischer
- Project Coordinator:
Thomas Johnson-Kaiser

Toolbox for Local Agencies

- Prepare for CAV
- 5-10 year window
- Acknowledge rapidly changing environment
- Recommend caution on investment

Transition

- Will take time
- 270 million registered personally owned vehicles on road today
- Deployment will be gradual
 - Start with automated driver assist
 - Continue with gradually increasing assistance
- Dual existence for many years

Pavement Markings

- Top consideration for local agencies right now
- Presence – are the lanes marked?
- Conspicuity – can the lines be seen?
- Clarity – what message is being sent?

Pavement Markings



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Figure 3-2. Example of overlapping pavement markings

Pavement Markings



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Figure 3-5. High contrast markings

Signs

- CAV uses cameras – sign recognition
- Visibility – are the signs visible?
- Minimize Signs – do you have too many signs? Signs not needed?
- Standardization – use standard signs whenever possible
- Clear messages – remove conflicting signs

Signs



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Figure 3-6. Examples of problematic signage with sign blocked (left) and damaged signs (right)

Summary

- What you can do now for CAV is basic stuff
- Good for CAV and for existing drivers
 - Especially older drivers
- Good investments to make NOW

What is next?

- County Engineers – CAV Committee
- Communication
- Data Capture and Information Sharing and Inventory
- Consistency and Standardization
 - National Committee on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (NCUTCD) Guidance



Questions?



Automated and Connected Vehicle Technology *State of Minnesota Updates*

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What is
New &
Policy
Updates

2019 Legislative Session



AV Testing



Truck Platooning

Executive Order 19-18

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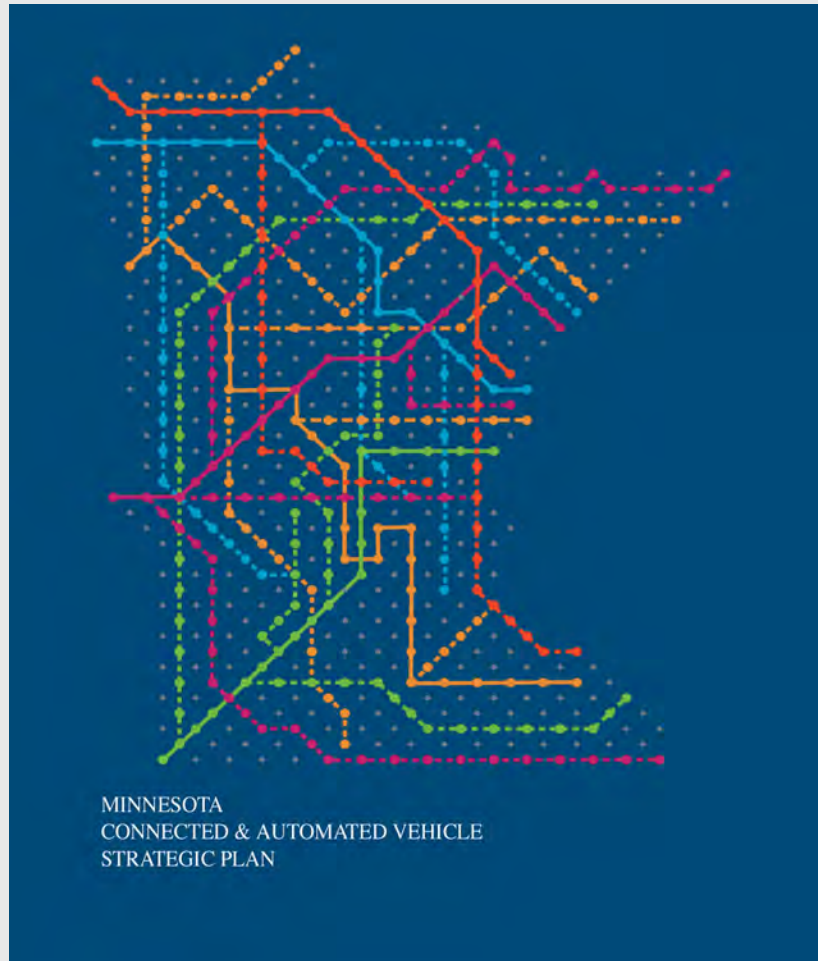
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CAV Strategic Plan: 9 Focus Areas

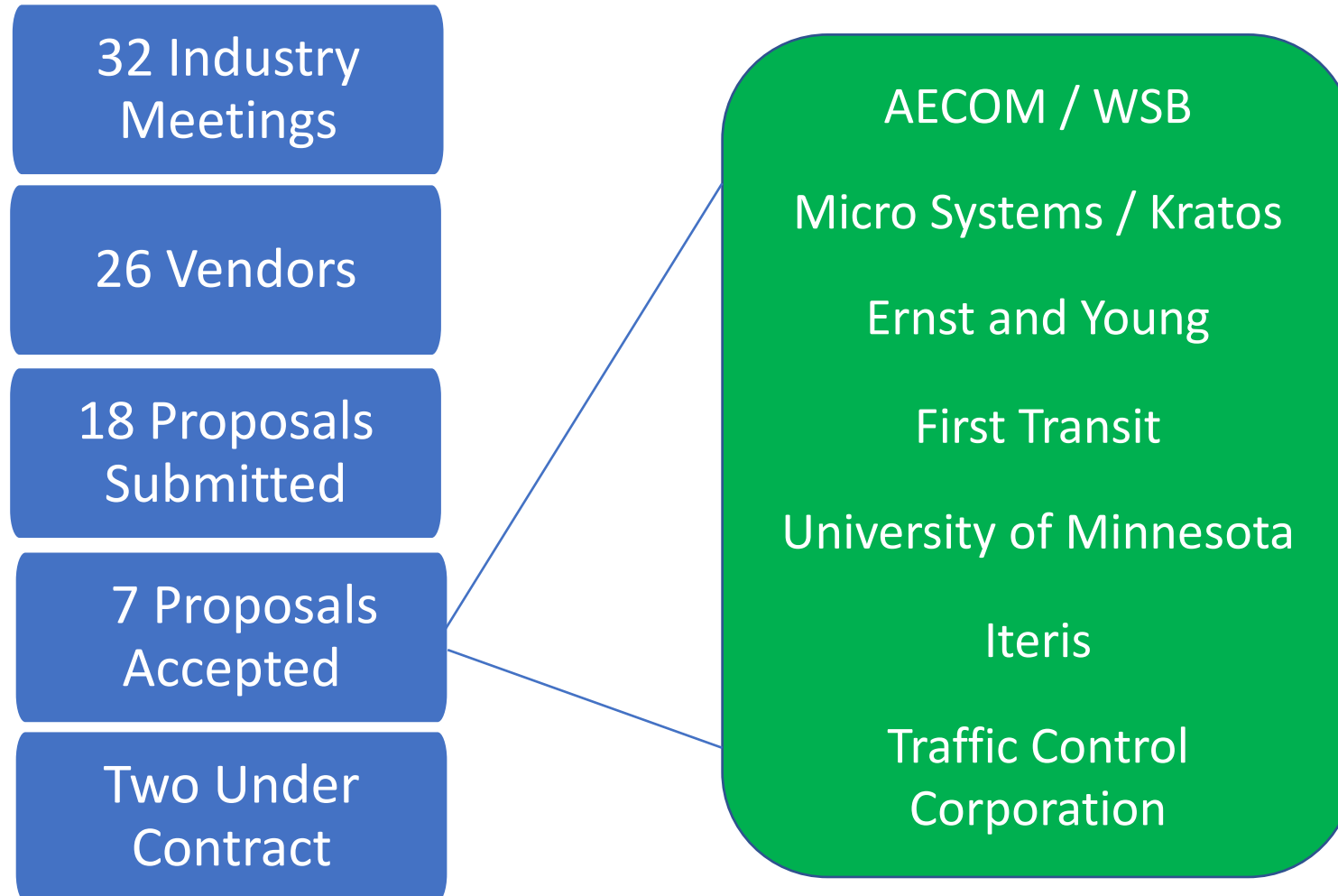


-  Capital Investments
-  Research & Development
-  Partners
-  Regulation
-  Operations
-  Strategic Staffing
-  Multimodal
-  Communications
-  Long-Range Planning

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Projects and
Demonstrations

Minnesota CAV Challenge



Minnesota CAV Selected Contracts



Automated Bus
Consortium (ABC)



Automated Truck
Mounted
Attenuator
(ATMA)

AV Demonstrations



Connected Corridors – Urban



Thank you!

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Questions?



Round Robin Discussion