



Potential ICM Strategies

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General ICM Goals

- Promote collaboration among corridor stakeholders and system coordination
- Improve system awareness
- Improve traveler information
- Increase corridor throughput
- Reduce congestion
- Improve travel time reliability
- Improve safety
- Reduce environmental impacts



Categories of ICM Strategies

- Improving infrastructure monitoring
- Improving travel demand monitoring
- Enhancing information dissemination
- Improving traffic operations
- Improving responses to incidents/events
- Increasing use of public transportation
- Influencing travel demand
- Enhancing infrastructure (if possible)



Improving Infrastructure Monitoring

1. Real-time system monitoring

- Status of traffic management devices
- Traffic flow conditions
- Transit operations
- Parking facilities
- Weather

2. Integration of new data sources

- Data from third-party providers (e.g., INRIX, Navteq)
- Probe vehicle data
- User-generated content from third-party applications (e.g., Waze)





Improving Demand Monitoring

1. Predicting near-future traffic demand

- Comparison of real-time data to historical travel/traffic information
- Simulation tools
- 2. Using probe data to assess origindestination flow patterns





Enhancing information dissemination

1. Enhancing access to information

- Inter-agency data sharing capabilities
- Data clearinghouses
- Information service provider access to relevant data
- Mobile traveler information applications

2. Enhancing richness of information

- Provision of real-time traffic/travel information
- Incorporating traffic projections into disseminated information





Improving Traffic Operations - 1

1. Dynamic ramp metering

- Traffic-responsive metering with queue control
- Coordination of metering rates across ramps
- Coordination with nearby arterial signals

2. Enhanced traffic signal control

- Traffic-responsive (or real-time) control
- Cross-jurisdiction signal coordination

3. Congestion/hazard information systems

- Freeway congestion warning system
- Ramp queue warning system
- Variable advisory speeds





Improving Traffic Operations - 2

4. Lane management systems

- Dynamic HOV restriction control
- Hard shoulder running
- Dynamic merge control at freeway on-ramps
- Dynamic lane use at signalized intersections
- Use of curb parking lanes as additional travel lanes
- Reversible lane system along arterials

5. Decision support tools

- Evaluation of impacts of proposed management strategies
- Development of recommended response plans

6. Coordination of maintenance activities across jurisdictions





Improving response to incidents/events

- 1. Enhanced tracking of implemented responses
- 2. Coordinated, multi-agency response processes
- 3. Expanded Freeway Service Patrol
- 4. Dynamic travel advisories
 - Alternate routing information on changeable message signs
 - Dynamic trailblazer signs along arterials to guide traffic back to the freeway

5. Dynamic transit adjustments

- Route deviations around major incidents
- Additional transit services to alleviate the impacts of major incidents
- Use of private parking facilities as temporary park-and-ride facilities

6. Enhanced traffic signal control

- Implementation of timing plans designed to minimize queues
- Preemption to emergency vehicles





Increasing Use of Public Transportation

1. Preferential treatments

- Transit signal priority
- Transit only lanes along arterials/at intersections
- 2. Coordinated transit schedules to facilitate transfers between various modes

3. Dynamic transit services

- Service frequency adjustments based on observed/projected travel demand and traffic conditions
- Dynamic connection protection at transfer points
- On-demand transit ride service
- Dynamic ridesharing service





Influencing Travel Demand

1. Enhanced trip queries

- Comparative trip time estimates across alternate routes/modes
- Alternate departure times offering potential time savings

2. Dynamic navigation systems

- Alternative routes around major incidents/road closures
- Guidance to parking facilities with open spaces

3. Dynamic pricing systems

- HOT lanes
- Parking facilities

4. Dynamic access restrictions

- HOV lanes
- Truck access to freeways

5. Incentives to promote time/mode shifts





Improving infrastructure

- 1. Add HOV bypass lanes on freeway ramps
- 2. Conversion of existing HOV lanes into HOT lanes
- Minor improvements to interchanges or intersections to improve flow operations (e.g., lane restriping)
- 4. Minor improvements to intermodal station to facilitate drop off/pick up activities
- 5. Many other options if \$\$\$, right-of-way, political will are available



