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Session 2B — ITS Yesterday, Today, Tomorrow

Yesterday: History of ITS, Technology, and Smart Transportation

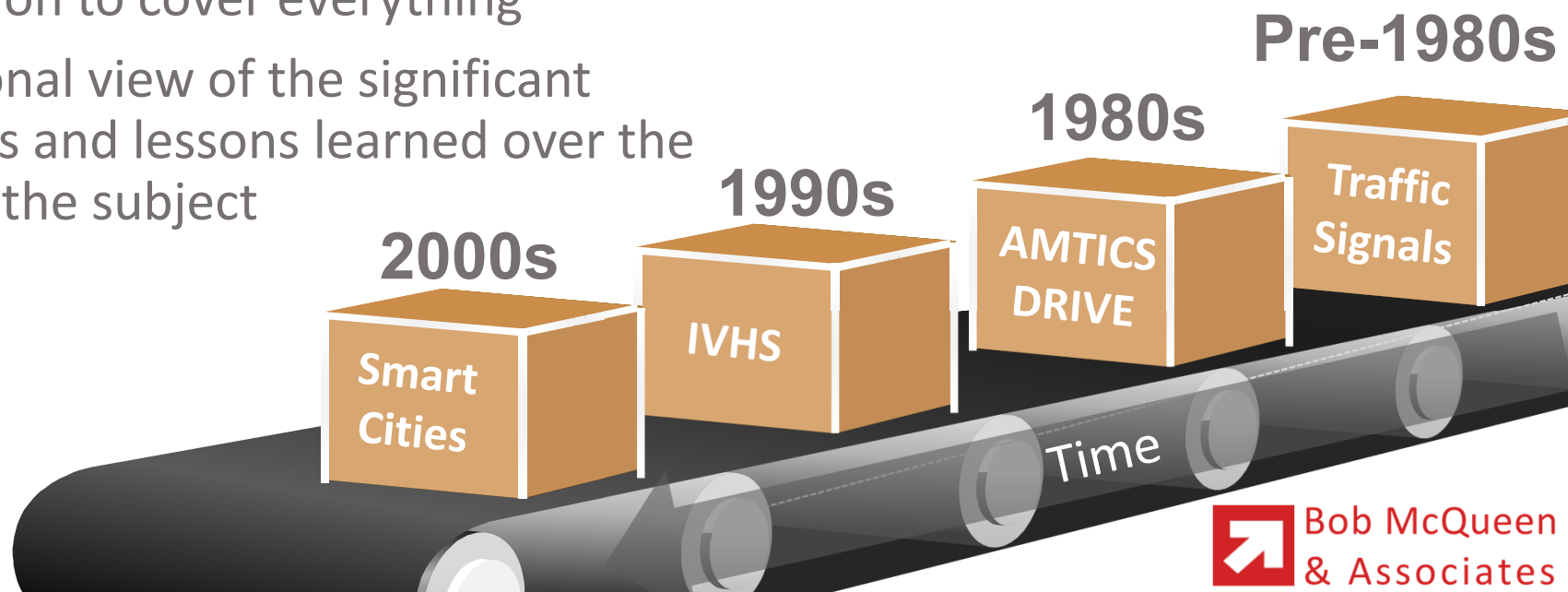
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Introduction

- Intelligent transportation systems have a long history
- It would be impossible in a short presentation to cover everything
- This personal view of the significant milestones and lessons learned over the history of the subject

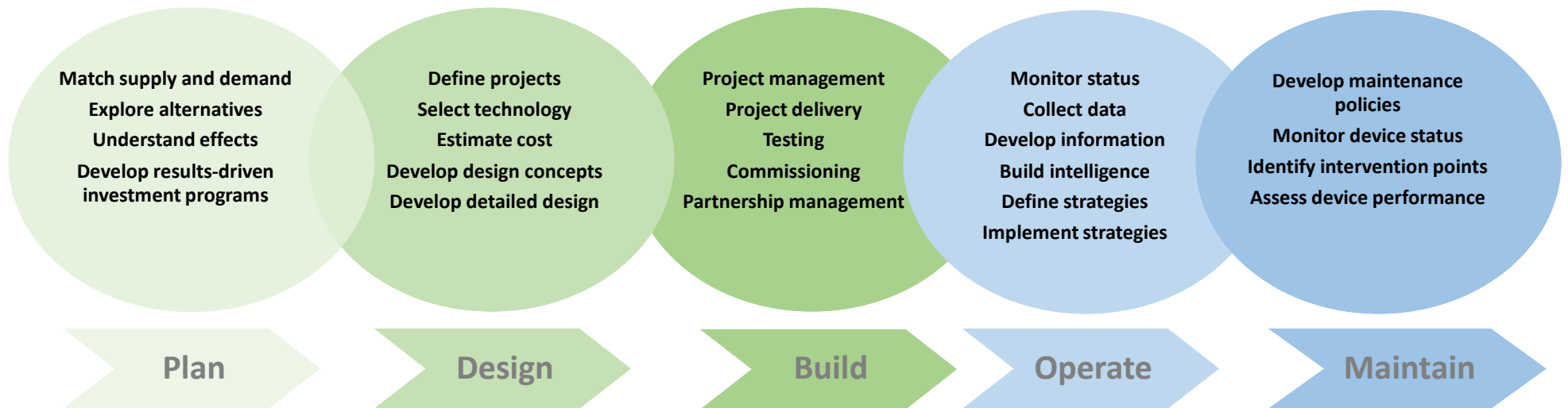


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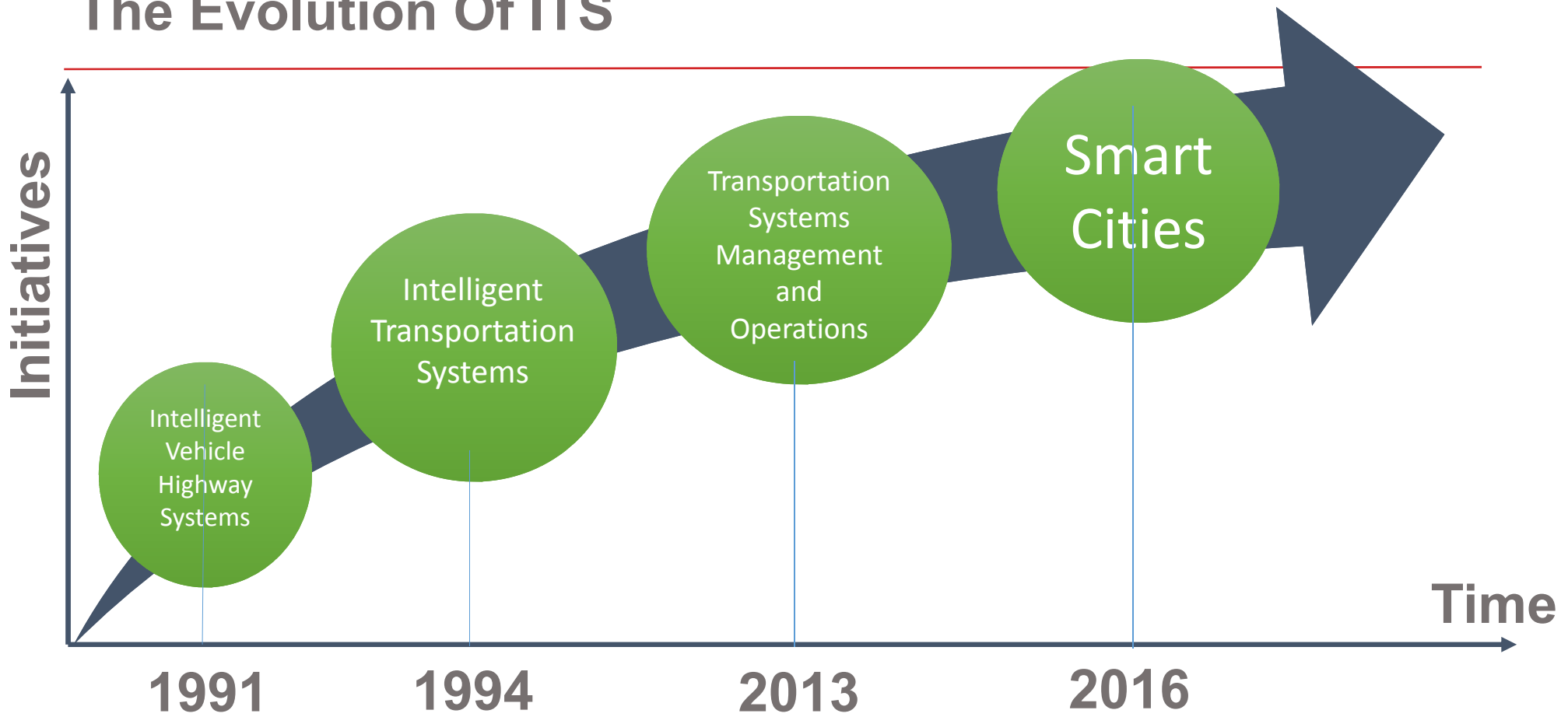
- What are intelligent transportation systems?
- Milestones and lessons
 - Pre 1980s
 - 1980s
 - 1990s
 - 2000s
- Conclusions

What are Intelligent Transportation Systems?

“The application of information and communication technologies to all aspects of transportation including planning, design, build, operate, and maintain”

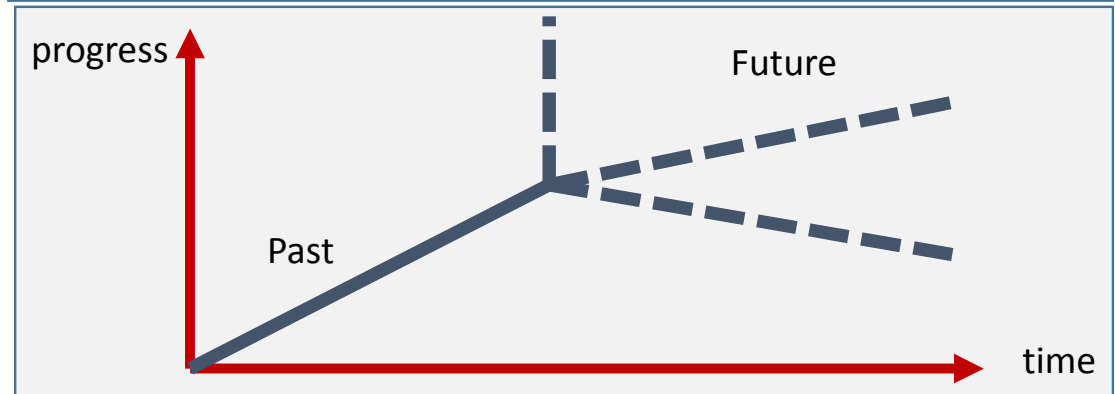
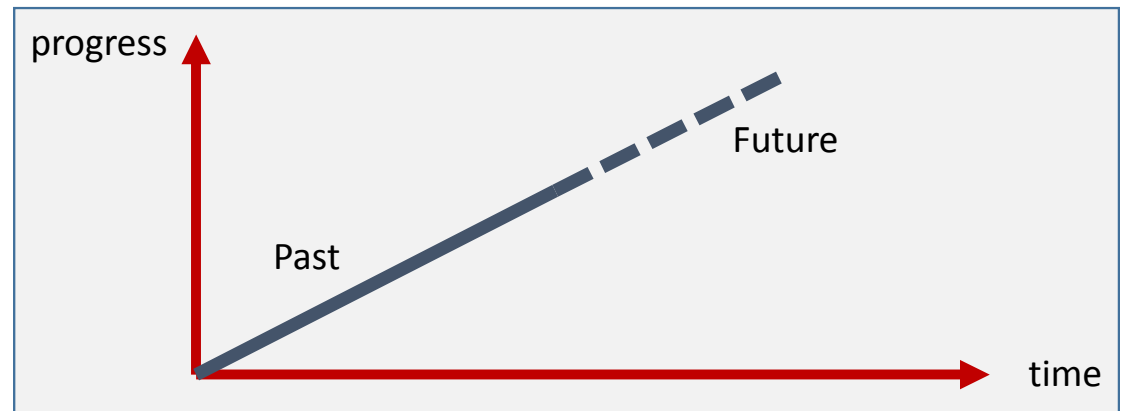


The Evolution Of ITS



From History to the Future?

- Can the future be extrapolated from the past?
 - National ITS Architecture initially didn't include the Internet
 - George Stephenson (steam locomotive inventor) locomotive inventor) thought that people wouldn't be able to breathe above 4 MPH



Pre 1980s Early Traffic Signals

- The first traffic signal was invented by J P Knight, a railway signaling engineer
- installed outside the Houses of Parliament in 1868
- Waving semaphore arms ,red-green lamps, operated by gas for night use
- It exploded, injuring a policeman
- There were no more signals in London until the 1900s
- The first electric traffic signals were installed in Cleveland in 1914.

If you're not sure it is going to work don't try it in a high-profile place



Pre 1980s Early legislation against the automobile

- The Locomotive Act 1865 (Red Flag Act)
- A speed limit of 4 mph (2 mph in towns) was imposed
- A man with a red flag was to walk at least 60 yd ahead of each vehicle

Lesson:

Market forces can overcome legislation



1980s AMTICS Japan and DRIVE Europe

- Japan and Europe take a lead over the USA in strategic transportation technology development programs
- Advanced Mobile Traffic Information and Communication System (AMTICS)
 - An integrated traffic information and navigation system in Japan will display information gathered at police-managed traffic control and surveillance centers in 74 cities.
- DRIVE
 - Pan-European project to develop Road Transport Advanced Transport Technologies (ATT) and Road Transport Informatics (RTI)
- Electronic Road pricing pilot in Hong Kong between 1983 in 1985
 - Implementation was halted due to public opposition
 - Forerunner of Singapore, Copenhagen and London congestion pricing implementations

Lesson:

If you have the technology and organizational ability to put a man on the moon then you can surely compete with Japan and Europe



1990s IVHS

- “I’m IVHS Positive” lapel badges appear at a conference and shortly after, the name is changed to Intelligent Transportation Systems
- National ITS Architecture Development Program
- Washington Metropolitan area transit Authority (WMATA) began using the SmarTrip smart card for payment on Metrorail in 1999
 - Users had two options: anonymous use or registered
 - Registered use came with a balance recovery feature
 - More than 90% of users chose to be registered

Lesson:

It’s easy to kill a brand with something that “seemed like a good idea at the time”

Lesson:

People are prepared to trade privacy for benefits



2000s

- 511 Advanced Traveler Information
- AHS demo San Diego
- UBER: launched March 2009
- USDOT
 - Smart City Challenge 2015
 - FAST Act funded projects 2016

Lesson:

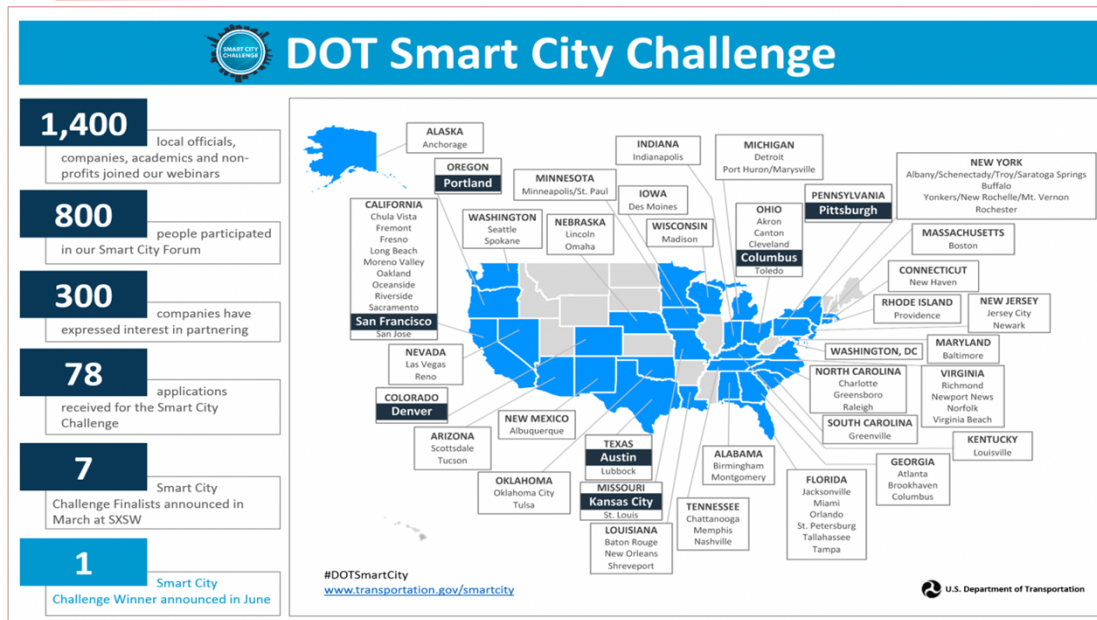
It's possible for the public sector to drive the private sector out of a market

Lesson:

Sometimes a company comes along that doesn't know any better and solves a long standing problem with technology



Smart City Challenge Funding 2015 and FAST Act 2016



Project name	ATMCMD Grantee
Freight Advanced Traveler Information System (FRATIS)	LA COUNTY MTA, \$3,000,000
Adv Tech to Improve Safety & Mobility w/in Promise Zone	LOS ANGELES DOT, \$3,000,000
San Francisco Smart City Program	SAN FRANCISCO, CITY & COUNTY \$10,990,760
Denver Smart City Program	DENVER, CITY & COUNTY \$6,000,007
Connected Region: Tech Innovations in NITTEC Region	NIAGARA FRONTIER TRANS AUTHORITY \$7,813,256
NW 33 Smart Mobility Corridor	MARYSVILLE ,OH \$5,997,500
SmartPGH	PITTSBURGH, \$10,899,318
ConnectSmart: TSMO & Active Demand Management	TEXAS DOT \$8,939,062

Conclusions

- We've come a long way
- Our history is rich in achievements and lesson learned
- The pace of technology development is accelerating
- Market players have changed over the past 30 years
- Better use of data will be crucial

Lesson:

Practical experience from the past can guide the future and help us to avoid some pitfalls

Lesson:

History can provide some good risk management



Thank you for your time and attention

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