



IMAGINE NEXT

From Inspection to Intelligence: Using Sensors and AI to
Modernize Asset Maintenance

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VEHICLE BASED ROADWAY DATA FOR ASSET MANAGEMENT

AI-DRIVEN DETECTION OF ROADWAY CONDITIONS USING ON-VEHICLE SENSORS



Client: Ohio Department of Transportation | Delivery Team: Honda, Parsons, & University of Cincinnati

1. Potholes

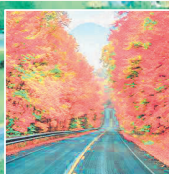
2. Ride Quality / Roughness

3. Berm Conditions

4. Guardrails

5. Road Striping

6. Road Signs (Damaged & Missing)



Challenge

- 49,000 lane miles of roadway to maintain assets for.
- Ohio DOT manually checks data through driving each section of the roadway at a minimum of every 2 weeks; pavement done every year.
- Manually record & generate work order maintenance tickets



Approach

- Use vehicle sensors data to assess assets, ingest data, analyze insights, apply intelligence, teach the machine, group assets by proximity, recommend severity, auto-create work order maintenance ticket with images
- Collaborative effort: Honda (OEM) + Parsons (Systems Integrator + Data Operations) + University of Cincinnati (vision detection feature development) + Ohio DOT (User)
- Two pilot vehicles
- Agile like methodology – thin slice solutioning (**2 districts, 6 types of assets**) with frequent, regular feedback loop & iterating on architecture & design



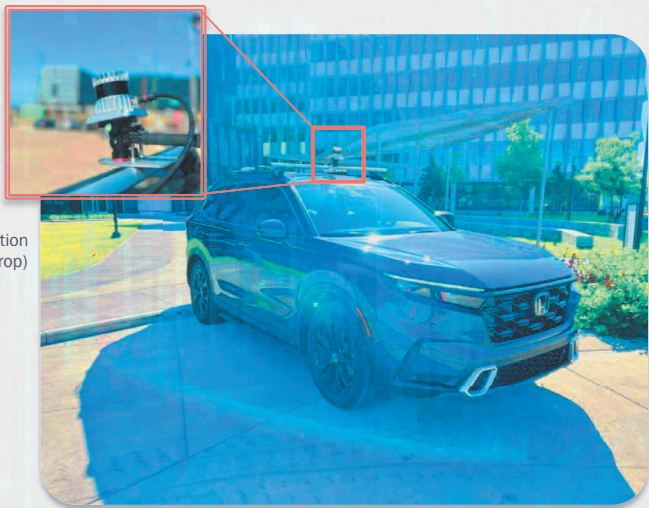
Expected Outcomes

- Automated reporting of roadside asset conditions
- Efficient, streamlined workflow for work order maintenance
- Confirm value of vehicle-generated data
- Understand the level of collaboration required by key stakeholders & partners for scale up success, especially the road operators' needs
- Shapes future technical direction on vehicle sensor types and placement on vehicles
- System Integrators learn how to best support DOTs for operationalizing data
- Lessons learned to help shape next level roll out



PILOT VEHICLE SYSTEM

UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI & HONDA



Berm detection
(shoulder drop)
– Lidar



ADAS-grade vision sensor:

- potholes,
- Guardrails
- signage

Sensor Fusion Insight

Lidar + Vision increases detection reliability; factors: retro reflectivity, dimensional accuracy.

Detection Capabilities

- Lidar for berm (shoulder drop) detection.
- Vision sensor for potholes, guardrails & signage deficiencies.
- Improved reliability using Lidar + Vision Sensor fusion.
- Consider: retro reflectivity, accuracy in dimensions.

Asset Guardian - Work Order Management

Accelerate time-to-detect and time-to-repair while improving scheduling precision and system integration — reducing downtime, lowering costs, and protecting availability-based revenue

Comprehensive Work Order Management

- Track planned and unplanned maintenance
- Automated issue detection and ticketing
- Manual work order creation and crew assignment
- Routine Maintenance Scheduling
- Configurable User Interface for Rapid Deployment
- Integration with External Work Order Management Systems



Work order # 678a90bf32548e64b3a5754f

MAIN DETAILS CUSTOM FIELDS ATTACHMENTS AUDIT LOG ASSETS MAINTENANCE CHECKLISTS

Work Order Name: Pothole Paved Surface

Status: Opened

Assigned: amalec001

Created: 2025-05-17 19:47:22-04:00

Updated: 2025-05-01 10:48:47-05:00

Work Order Details: 05/13/2024 01:08 PM

Target Completion Date: 05/14/2024

Description: Pothole Paved Surface from 11035.0 to 12225.0 on Cold Creek Road

Asset: 79.88343

Notes: Type notes...

Work Order Type: Pothole Paved Surface

Service Type: Pothole

Priority: Low

Only Issue: 678a90bf32548e64b3a5754f

Defects: 0

Assign Defect

Asset Map: Overview Traffic Layers Fullscreen

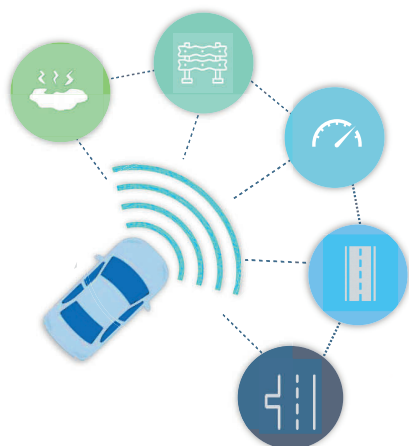
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DATA ANALYSIS & ACCUARY

DELIVERING RELIABLE, ACTIONABLE ROADWAY INTELLIGENCE



Detection Scope

- **Thousands of** roadway deficiencies detected across Districts **6 & 10** using connected **Honda** vehicles integrated with **Asset Guardian**.
 - Data captured across nearly 2,000 roadway miles over a 4-month pilot period.
 - Leveraged vehicle data, including aftermarket sensors, and advanced analytics for defect identification and classification.
- **Potholes:** up to 84% accuracy.
 - **Guardrails:** 93% accuracy across 5 counties.
 - **Traffic Signs:** >99% accuracy, <1% misclassification.
 - **Lane Markings:** 98% accurate
 - **Shoulder Drops:** 76.3 mi detected (~3.9% of surveyed roads).

Key Takeaway

- **We did establish that upon scale, vehicle data + integration + work order maintenance operation** will be a viable combination for enhancing the way critical roadside infrastructure assets are assessed and maintained today; enabling faster, safer, and more consistent maintenance decisions for DOTs.

Key Detection Insights

- 1** **Lighting & Shadow Conditions**
Detection varies slightly by illumination and time of day. Reflectivity is key.
- 2** **Improved Safety of Field Team**
fewer manual inspections and reduced exposure on roadways.
- 3** **Accurate Sign Detection for Asset Inventory**
precision reliable enough for DOT baseline inventories.
- 4** **Reduced Inspection Distraction**
Automated detection eliminates human tendency to jump between defects identified ("squirreling"), improving focus and consistency.



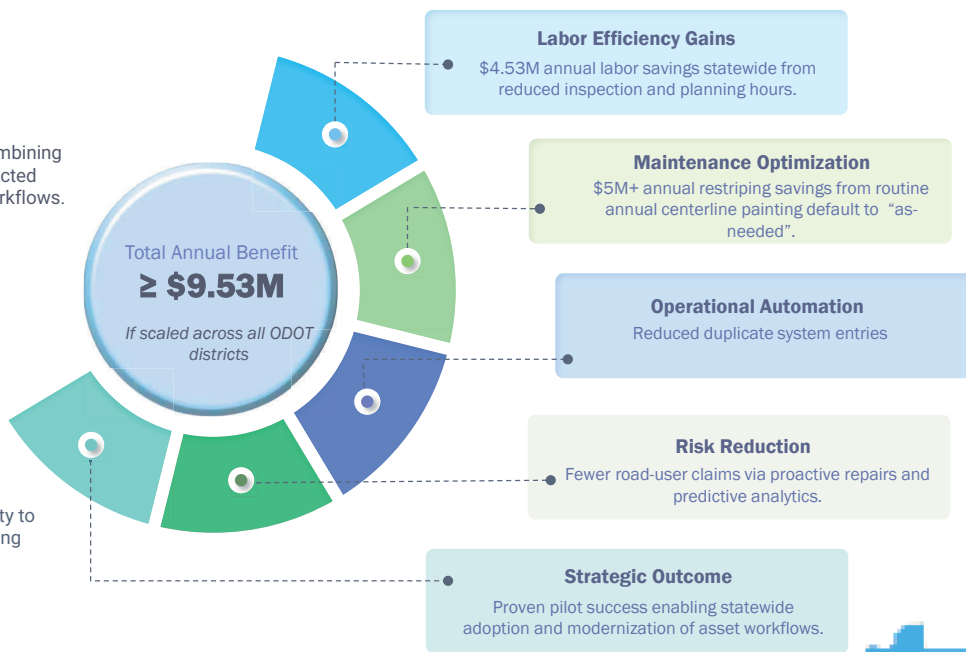
COST-BENEFIT SUMMARY

TRANSFORMING ASSET MANAGEMENT EFFICIENCY AND ROI

The pilot demonstrates measurable cost and operational benefits across ODOT districts—combining automation, predictive maintenance, and connected vehicle data to optimize asset management workflows.

Key Takeaway

Connected vehicle data demonstrated the ability to deliver substantial cost and time savings—paving the way for statewide adoption and long-term modernization of ODOT's asset management practices.



Solution Architecture

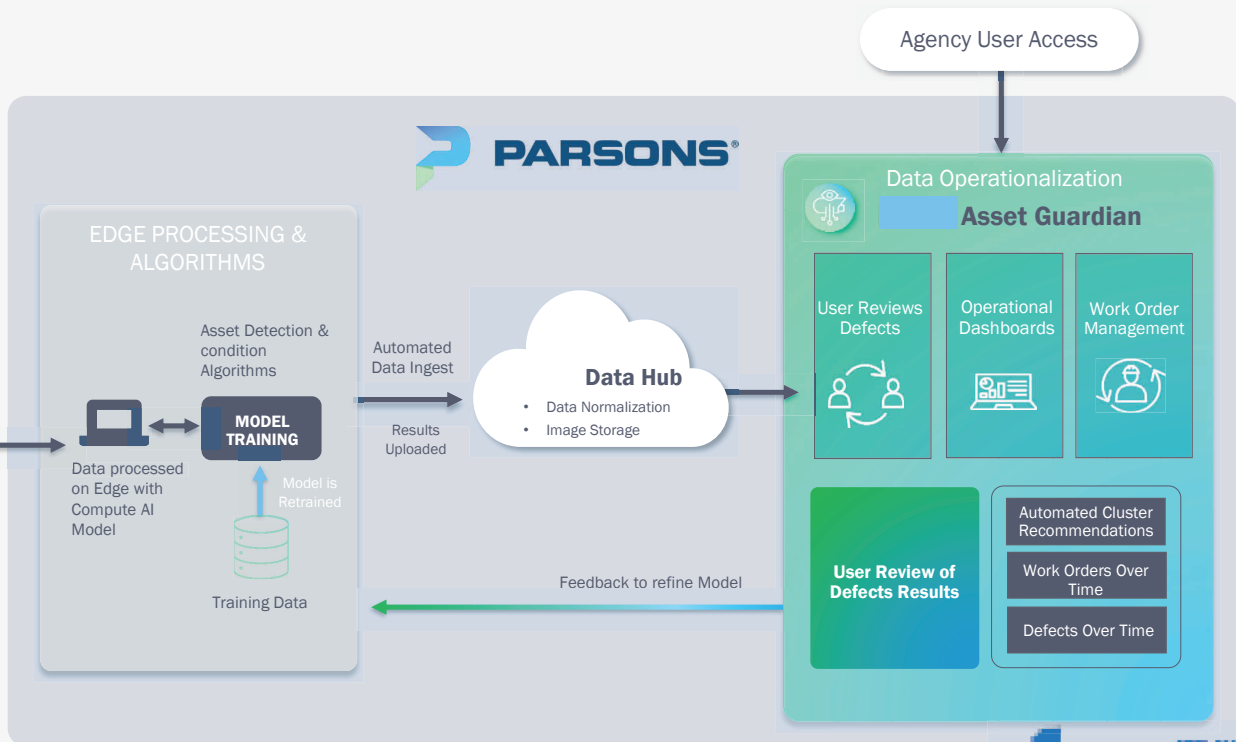
Sensor Input Agnostic

SENSOR SOURCES

Mounted Sensors



Stationary & Mobile Camera / Drones



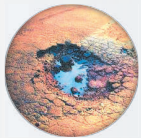
SENSOR DATA FOR SHARED USE PATH (SUP) ASSET MAINTENANCE

AI-DRIVEN DETECTION OF PATH ASSET CONDITIONS USING ON-VEHICLE SENSORS & OPERATIONALIZATION OF DATA USING ASSET GUARDIAN



Client: City of Dublin

Phase I: Feb – June 2026



Potholes



Surface Distress / Cracking



Sharp Turns



Pavement Markings



Road Signs
(damaged or obstructed)

Phase II: July '26 – Dec '27



Guardrails



Bridges/
Tunnels



General Pavement
Condition



Trench
Drain



Mirrors



Cabinets



Lighting



Trash Bins



Vegetation
Overgrowth



Challenge

- **158 miles** shared use path assets to maintain
- Maintenance team drives path today and does visual inspection, records insights into city systems
- Several systems are used to facilitate asset maintenance today



Approach

- **Operational-first pilot** | Equip maintenance fleet golf carts with vision sensor cameras.
- **Focused analytics** | Analyze high-value assets using targeted algorithms for actionable maintenance insights.
- **Iterative learning** | Refine data and outputs through short feedback cycles with the City.
- **Early operationalization** | Deploy Asset Guardian as the system of record in Phase I.
- **Scalable by design** | Define standards and integrations early to enable future expansion.



Expected Outcomes

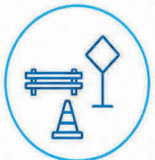
- Demonstrate feasibility of collecting reliable shared-use path condition and asset data using a City-operated, sensor-equipped golf cart.
- Establish a baseline asset inventory and condition profile to enable proactive maintenance.
- Convert sensor data into actionable maintenance insights through Asset Guardian.
- Define a scalable and repeatable model to support future phases and reduce Phase II effort and cost.

AUDIENCE DISCUSSION

Let's learn from each other.



- 1 How many agencies here still rely primarily on manual roadway inspections today?



- 2 What asset type would provide the biggest value if condition data could be collected continuously instead of periodically?



- 3 What do you think is the biggest challenge to operationalizing AI-generated asset data?

