



Co-Optimization of Vehicles and Routes (CoVaR) To Improve Commercial Transportation System Efficiency

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Overview



Timeline:

- Start: October 2020
- End: December 2023
- 20% Complete

Budget:

- Total project funding: \$2.5M
 DOE: \$2M
 - Cost Share: \$500,000
- FY2021 Funding: \$1.2M

Barriers:

- Business Incentives for Cloud-Providers, OEMs, and Fleets
- Vehicle to Cloud Architecture Technologies
- Network Bandwidth

Partners:



Relevance



Objectives:

- 25% Fleet Freight Efficiency Improvement
- Develop, Implement, & Validate Advanced Connected Transportation Systems
- Powertrain Agnostic:
 - Diesel and e-Powertrain



Impact:

 Improve Fleet Freight Efficiency Through Various Connectivity Systems:

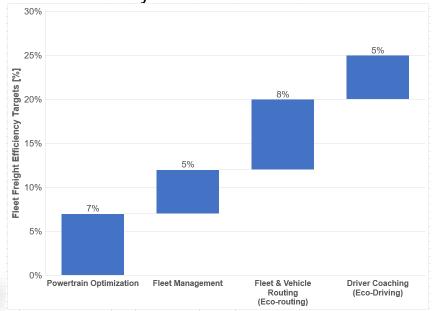


Chart Showing Fleet Freight Efficiency Targets

Program Outline

Budget Period 1:

Technology Development

IDAS

Testing Baseline

Fleet Demo

2020 2021 2022 2023 Q3 04 Q3 Q4 Q2 04 Q4 01 Q2 01 Q2 **b1** 03 01 **Program Management Fleet Configurator** Fleet Partner Selection FE% Assesment **Configuration Recommendation Configuration Validation** FF% Assesment Proto Tool Development Tool Validation **Fleet Management** FE% Assesment Proto Tool Development **Tool Validation** Cloud Infrastructure

Budget Period 2:

Implementation

Technology

Budget Period 3:

Testing and

validation

Budget Period 1: 10/01/2020 - 12/31/2021

Budget Period2: 01/01/2022 - 12/31/2022

Budget Period 3: 01/01/2023 - 12/31/2023



Milestones



Budget Period 1: October 2020 - December 2021

Milestone	Description	Status
Baseline Freight Energy Efficiency Quantified	Number of Current Freight Energy Efficiency in Appropriate Units	25%
Selection of Fleet Partner	Ideally by M3-M6, latest by M12	50%
Intelligent Driver Assistance System Assessment	Assessment of Intelligent Driver Assistance System's Ability to Meet Freight Efficiency Target	10%
Fleet Management System Assessment	Assessment of Fleet Management System's Ability to Meet the Freight Efficiency Target	10%
Vehicle Configuration Optimization System Assessment	Assessment of the Vehicle Configuration Optimization System's Ability to meet the Freight Efficiency Target.	40%
Baseline Testing on Commercial Fleet	Simulate CoVaR Technology on a Commercial Fleet to Determine if Freight Efficiency Improvement is achievable and manufacturable	10%



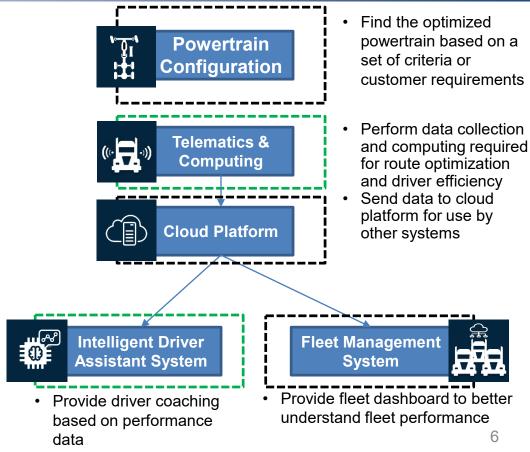


Integrate Several Pieces of Technology to Optimize:

- Powertrain Configuration
- Eco-Routing
- Driver Efficiency
- Fleet Management

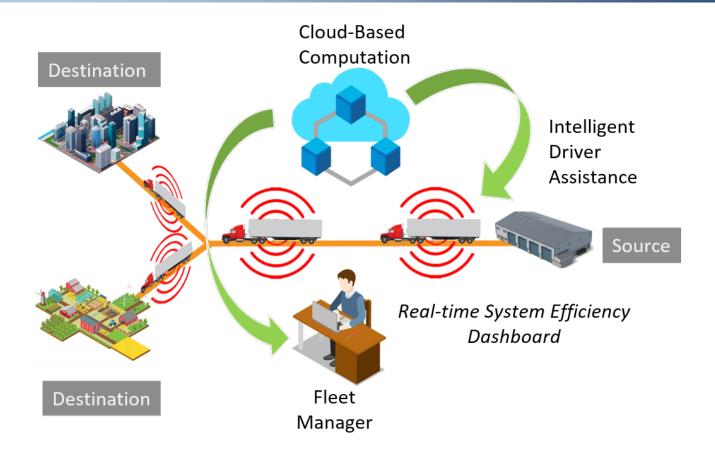
In Vehicle

External to Vehicle









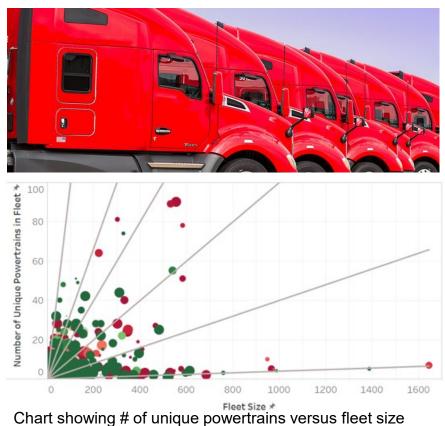
Fleet Partner Selection

<u>Milestones:</u>

- Defined Key Requirements
- Shortlisted Three Potential Fleet Partners

Summary:

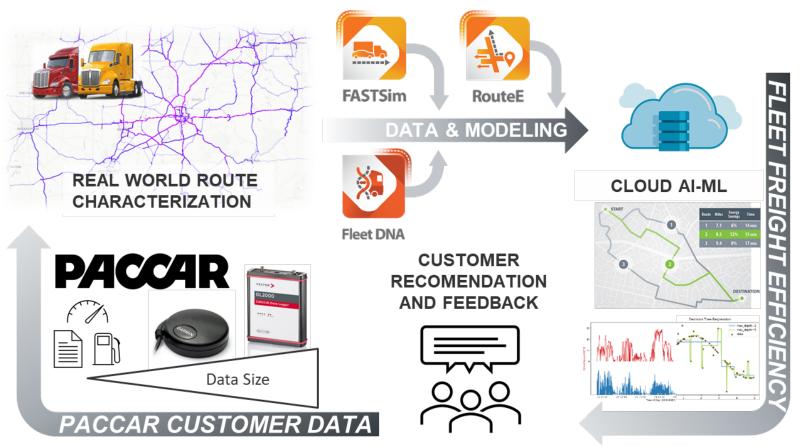
 A Fleet Partner That Meets Requirements is a Key Piece for This Program





Fleet Data Analysis & Energy Consumption Prediction





Powertrain Optimization

Milestones:

- Simulation Framework Defined
- Conventional Powertrain
 Simulator Developed
- Machine Learning Models Beginning to be Trained

Summary:

 The Powertrain Configuration
 Optimization Model Predicts the Engine Power Required to Meet
 Specified Customer Requirements

DATA-DRIVEN SIMULATION-ASSISTED POWERTRAIN RECOMMENDER SYSTEM

Inputs and Constraints Performance requirements Route information Freight capacity

Database Real-world driving **data** Drive cycles **simulations** Powertrain components Machine Learning Models for Powertrain Specification and Energy Consumption Prediction





Artificial Intelligence Routing



Milestones:

- Developed a Methodology for Testing Energy Cost and Ecorouting Integration
- Data Collection Started From Development Trucks for Proof of Concept

Summary:

 Utilizing NREL and Esri's Routing Capabilities Will Allow for Drivers to Find the Most Energy Efficient Route, Realtime and In-vehicle



Example of NREL's RouteE tool

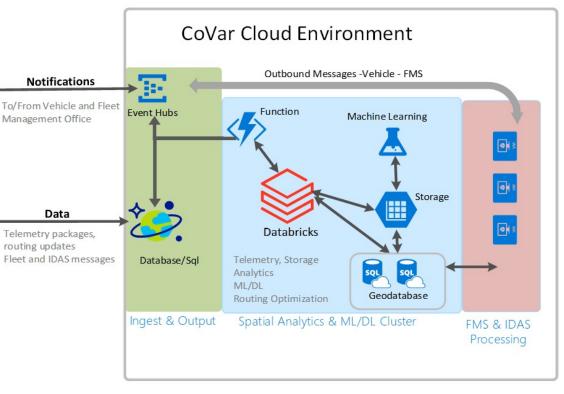
Cloud Architecture

Milestones:

- Overall Cloud Architecture Defined
- Created a New Tenant to Allow for Infrastructure to be More Easily Allocated to Other Teams

Summary:

 Initial Cloud Architecture has Been Defined and is a Critical Piece to the CoVaR Technology Package





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Fleet Management System

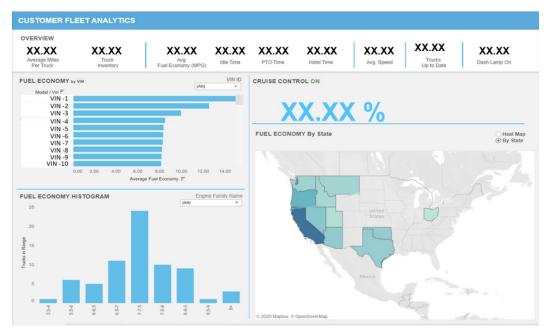


Milestones:

- Developed an Early Simulated Demonstration of the Fleet Management Dashboard
- Developed Architecture for Dataflow for FMS and IDAS

Summary:

 First Iteration of the Fleet Management Dashboard Based on Simulated Data has Been Completed



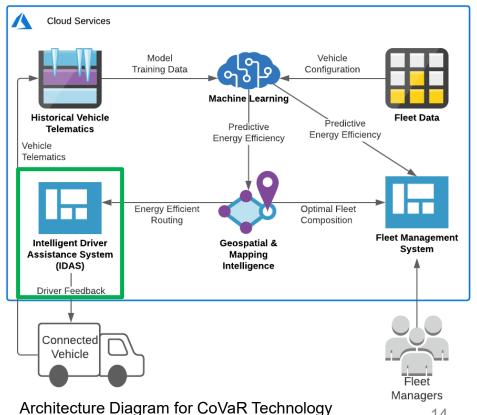
Intelligent Driver Assistance System

Milestones:

- Human Centered Design Workshops to Define Design Constraints
- UX/UI Development Process ٠ Defined
- Defined Potential Data Flow for IDAS and FMS
- First Iteration of IDAS Display

Summary:

IDAS Architecture and UX/UI Framework Have Been Developed



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• This is the First Year That the Project has Been Reviewed

Partnerships and Collaborations



• Kenworth: Vehicle Deployment, Fleet Partnership



KENWORTH

• NREL: Fleet Data Analysis, AI Routing, Route Optimization,



• OSU: Powertrain configuration optimization



• Valence: Fleet Management System and IDAS



• Esri: Cloud Architecture and Routing

Remaining Challenges and Barriers

Main Barriers:

- Finalizing Fleet Partner for Field Test Validation and Deployment
- High Cost of Telematics and Onboard Compute for Fleet Applications

Technical Challenges:

- Seamless Integration of Connectivity, Compute, Artificial Intelligence, and Human Machine Interaction on Vehicle
- A-B Testing of Technologies on Fleet, Engaged in Active Commercial Transportation



FY21: Technology Development

- Implement Proof of Concept Technology Integration Onto Two Demonstrator Vehicles
- Finalize Fleet Partnership
- Continue Iterations on FMS, IDAS and Powertrain Optimization
- Evaluate Telematics Hardware for Field Test

FY22: Technology Implementation

- Continue Validation With
 Demonstrator Vehicles
- Implement Technology Package Onto Fleet Partner Vehicles
- Validate Technologies on Field Test Vehicles

Any Proposed Future Work is Subject to Change Based on Funding Levels.

Summary



Accomplishments:

- Initial Architectures and Frameworks Defined for Key Technology Components
- Shortlisted 3 Potential Fleet Partners
- Conventional Powertrain Simulator Developed
- First Iteration of Fleet Management Dashboard

Impact:

- Potential for 25% Freight Efficiency Improvement
- Integrates Several Connectivity Technologies Which Builds Potential for Future Projects
- Powertrain Agnostic Which Makes This Technology Applicable for More Vehicles