

Embracing the Safe System Approach in New Mexico

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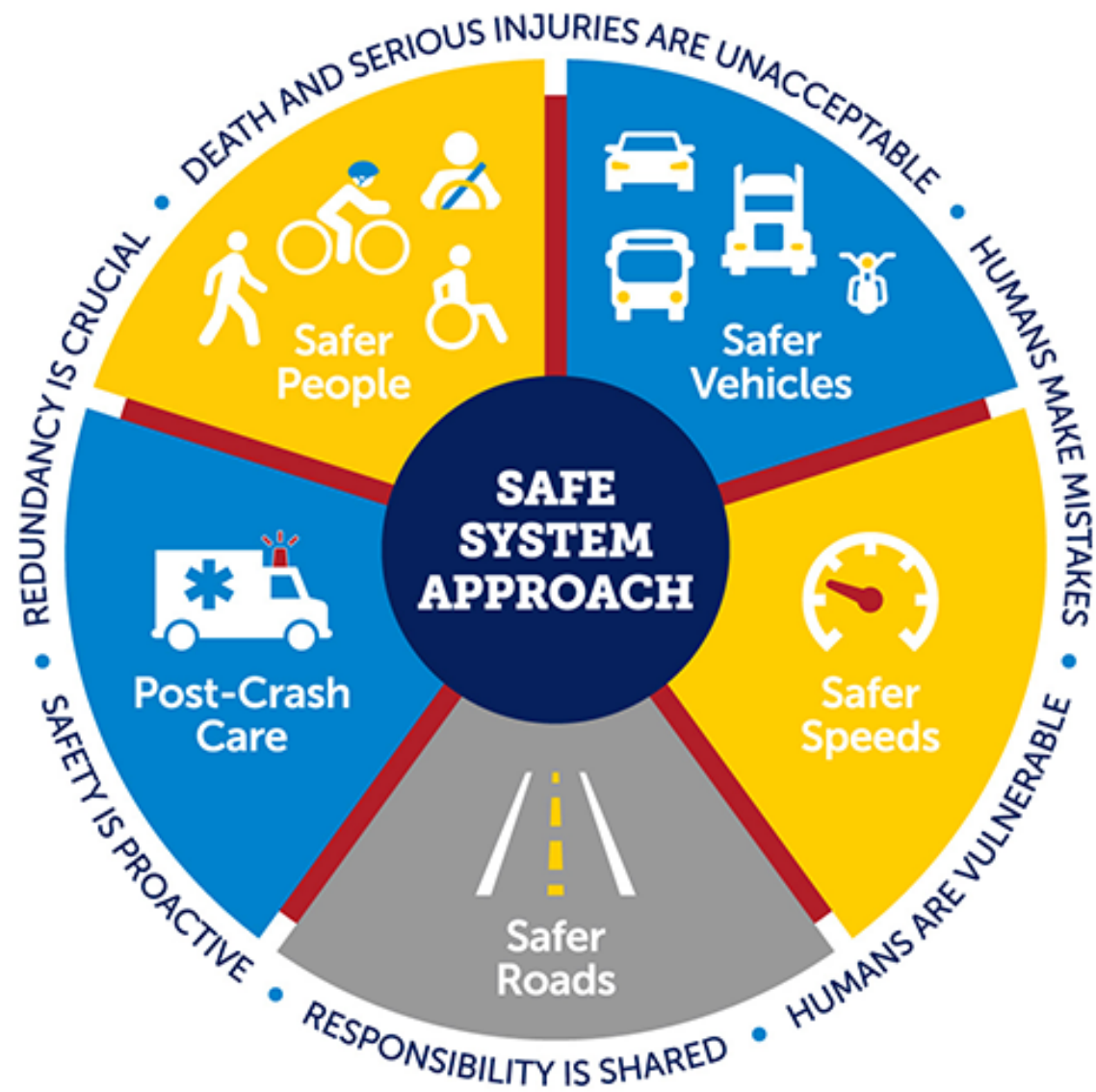
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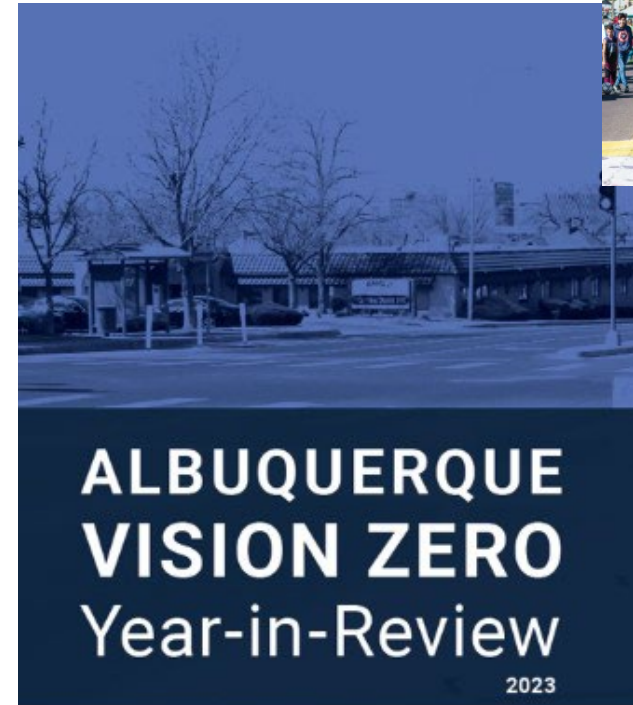
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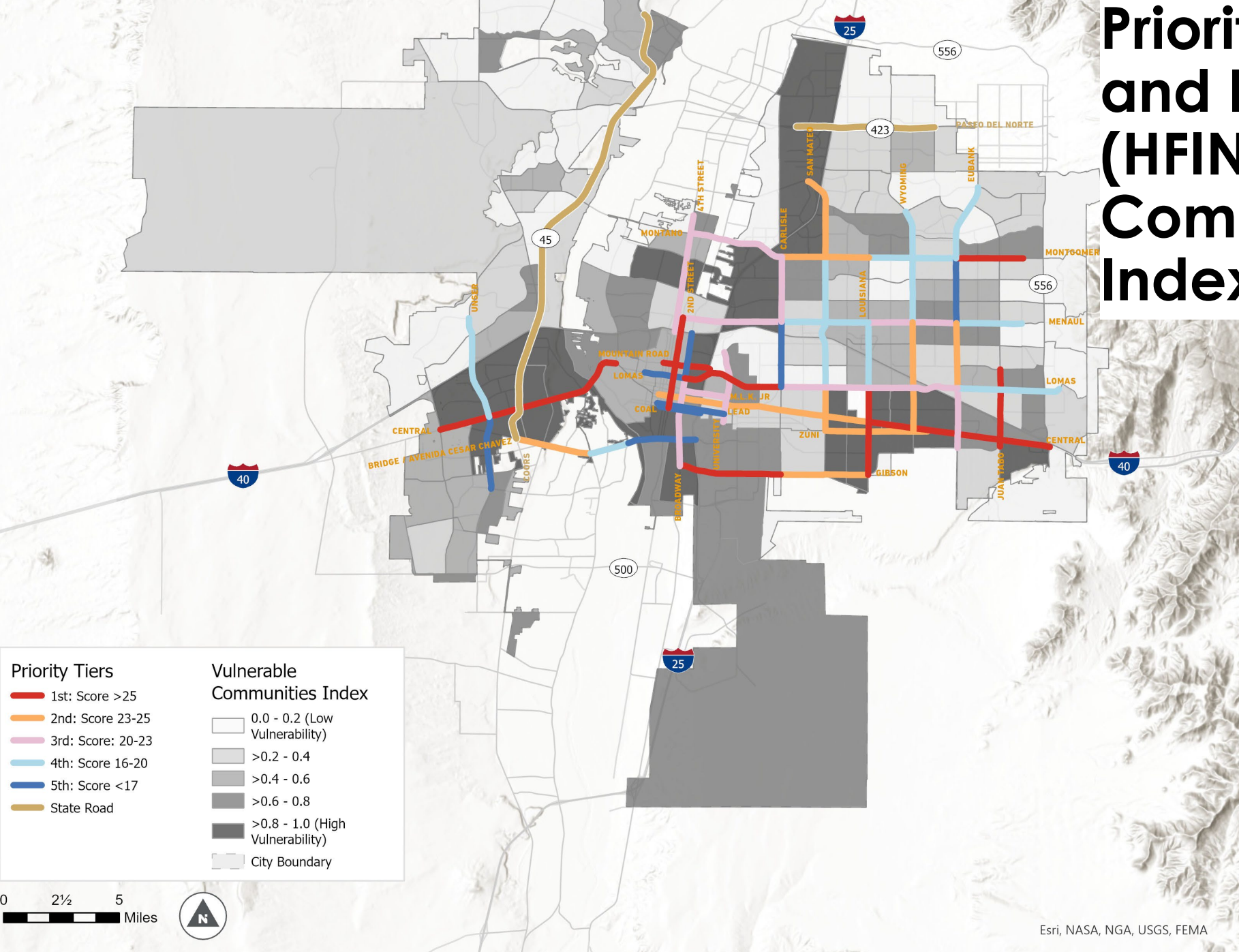
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Safe Systems Approach in ABQ

- Prioritizes
 - Safe Multimodal Street Design/Safe Speeds
 - Shifting to Active Modes
 - Culture of Safety
 - Data and Transparency
- 32 actions
- High Fatal and Injury Network (HFIN)/Vulnerability Communities



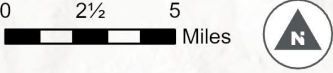
Prioritized High Fatal and Injury Network (HFIN) & Vulnerable Community (Equity) Index



41%
of fatalities occurred on these 24 corridors (2015-2019)

16%
of road miles in Albuquerque

90%
are Principal Arterials



Esri, NASA, NGA, USGS, FEMA

Safe Roads

Since 2021, the City of Albuquerque has completed...



Mid-block crossings

- **15** pedestrian hybrid beacons (PHBs) or rectangular rapid flashing beacons



Signal improvements

- **15** Leading Pedestrian Intervals
- Rest in red
- Pedestrian Activated Warning Signal (PAWs) – in design



Striping

- **6.6 miles+** road diets
- **35.2 miles+** of bike lanes (**25.8 are buffered**)
- **122+** daylight intersections
- **158+** new or refreshed high visibility crosswalks
- **41.9 miles+** narrowing driver lanes

Safe Speeds: Automated Speed Enforcement

- 20 total cameras
- Changes in driver behavior
 - Between April 25, 2022 – May 26, 2024, 20 cameras saw between a **42% to 89.2% decrease in drivers exceeding the posted speed** limit by 10+ miles per hour (mph)
 - 20 cameras saw between a **0.3 mph to 8.3 mph decrease in average driver speed**
- Remaining funds go toward Vision Zero traffic safety projects



Reducing speeds even by one mph can result in a **17% decrease in fatal crashes***


*National Association of City Transportation Officials (NACTO). City Limits. American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (2010). Highway Safety Manual.

Where does transportation safety go next?

- Continuing prioritizing funding for traffic safety improvements
 - Lower cost/high impact
 - More costly/longer term projects
- **Item of Interest:** Intelligent speed assistance

Speed limiters arrive for all new cars in the European Union

Get ready for a cacophony of beeps at least if you're a bit heavy on the go pedal

 [Richard Speed](#)

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SPEEDING

D.C. to Dangerous Drivers: We Will Slow You Down!

Dangerous drivers would be forced to slow down thanks to in-car technology under a first-in-the-nation bill that just passed in the Washington, D.C. City Council.



By **George Kevin Jordan**

12:02 AM EST on February 8, 2024



California bill advances that includes speed-assistance technology mandate

AUGUST 9, 2024 • Keith Goble |    

Why New York City's Car Safety Pilot Is a Big Deal

A new program that will test speed-limiting devices on city vehicles could pave the way for wider adoption of a lifesaving technology.



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Safe System Approach Panel

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Safe System Approach Implementation

- Perspective
 - Global Road Safety
 - Strategic Highway Safety Plan
 - Safety Program Management
 - AASHTO Guides, Manuals

Global Road Safety

American – *Haddon Matrix* – contributing factors and countermeasures (road user, vehicle, road environment)



Dutch - *Sustainable Safety* – no road system should be designed such that deaths can be predicted



Swedish – *Vision Zero* – no-one should be seriously harmed from mistakes they make on the road



Australian – *Safe System* – the design parametre of the road system is human tolerance to kinetic force

Safe System Approach Implementation

- Focus on fatalities
- National Road Safety Strategy
- Increased Funding
 - Directly to local agencies



What has changed?

- Focused more on impact of all roadway users
- Understanding of speed and crash severity
- System management focus
- Improved understanding of effectiveness

What is next?

- Flexibility in design and planning
- Proactive use of additional data
- Policy, legislation
 - Prioritization throughout organizations



NHTSA

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Safe System Approach on Rural Roads

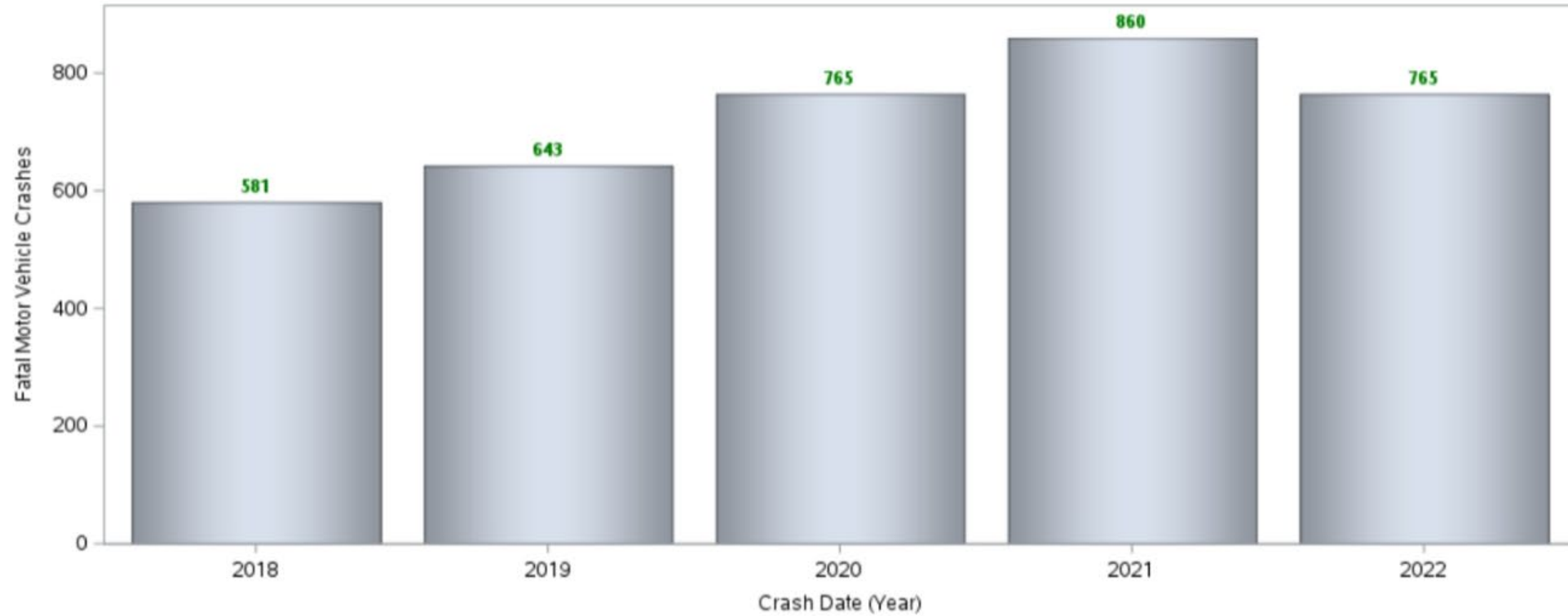
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*Albuquerque, NM
August 27*

Fatal Motor Vehicle Crashes
Filter Selected: NHTSA Region: *6 = LA, MS, NM, OK, TX*; Land Use (Rural/Urban): *Rural*; Involving Speeding: *Yes*
Years: *2018-2022*

Univariate Graph - Analysis Variable: *Crash Date (Year)*

Fatal Motor Vehicle Crashes¹

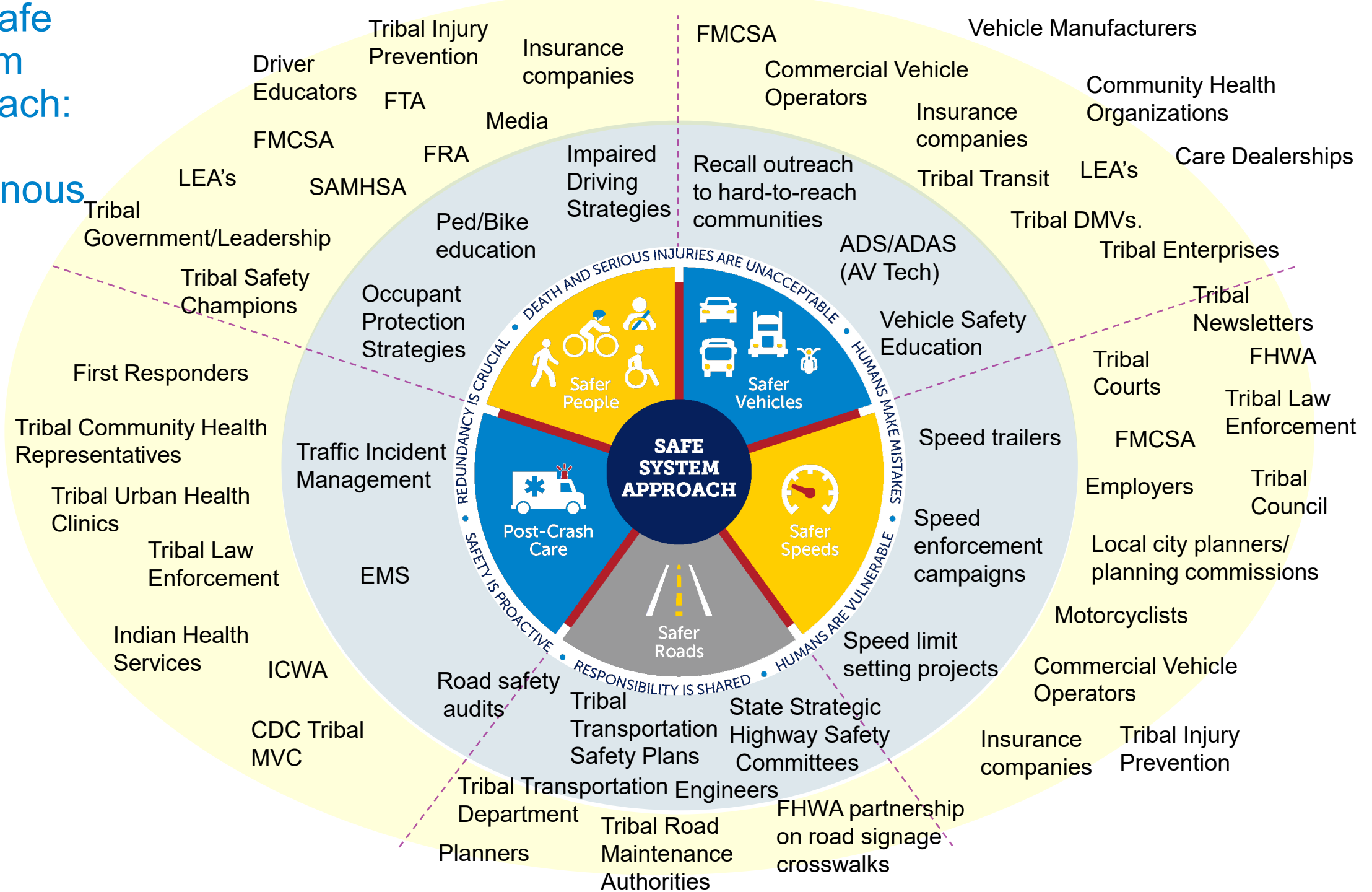


Data Sources:

¹[Fatality Analysis Reporting System \(FARS\): 2018-2021 Final File and 2022 Annual Report File \(ARF\)](#)

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The Safe System Approach: An Indigenous Lens



Charles Remke, NMDOT ITS

Chief of ITS Operations – Using data and advanced communications toward having our surface transportation system operate safer and more efficiently

Collecting and sharing that data among stakeholders (agencies, responders, public, applications,) to assist in respective decision making (for coordinated responses, staging and allocation of resources, ...) toward that goal

My POV of Safe System Approach

Let me relate this to a question from the public that was submitted to us during a winter event (via NMRoads the state's advanced traveler information system)

Is it safe to drive? (with no reference to where the query was for)

This prompted another question (besides where are you talking about) - what makes it safe (and what are the influences)?

Roadway conditions - Is it safe to drive on? Surface conditions, state of repair, restrictions, geometry,

Environmental conditions – Is it safe to drive in? Rain, snow, sleet, visibility, high winds,

Vehicle – Is it safe to use for the location and conditions at hand? Type, condition, state-of-repair....

Driver – Can I safely operate the vehicle in a responsible manner to negotiate the conditions at hand? Ability, behavior, condition (impaired)

All these considerations (and associated influences) are dimensions within the

Safe System Approach

Successes and Observations



Florida Times-Union

LORDSBURG, N.M. — Authorities in New Mexico say six people are dead after a 25-vehicle pileup on I-10 caused by sudden blowing dust in New Mexico near the Arizona state line.

Those killed Monday include a 9-month-old girl and her parents from Phoenix, two people from El Paso, Texas, and a California woman.

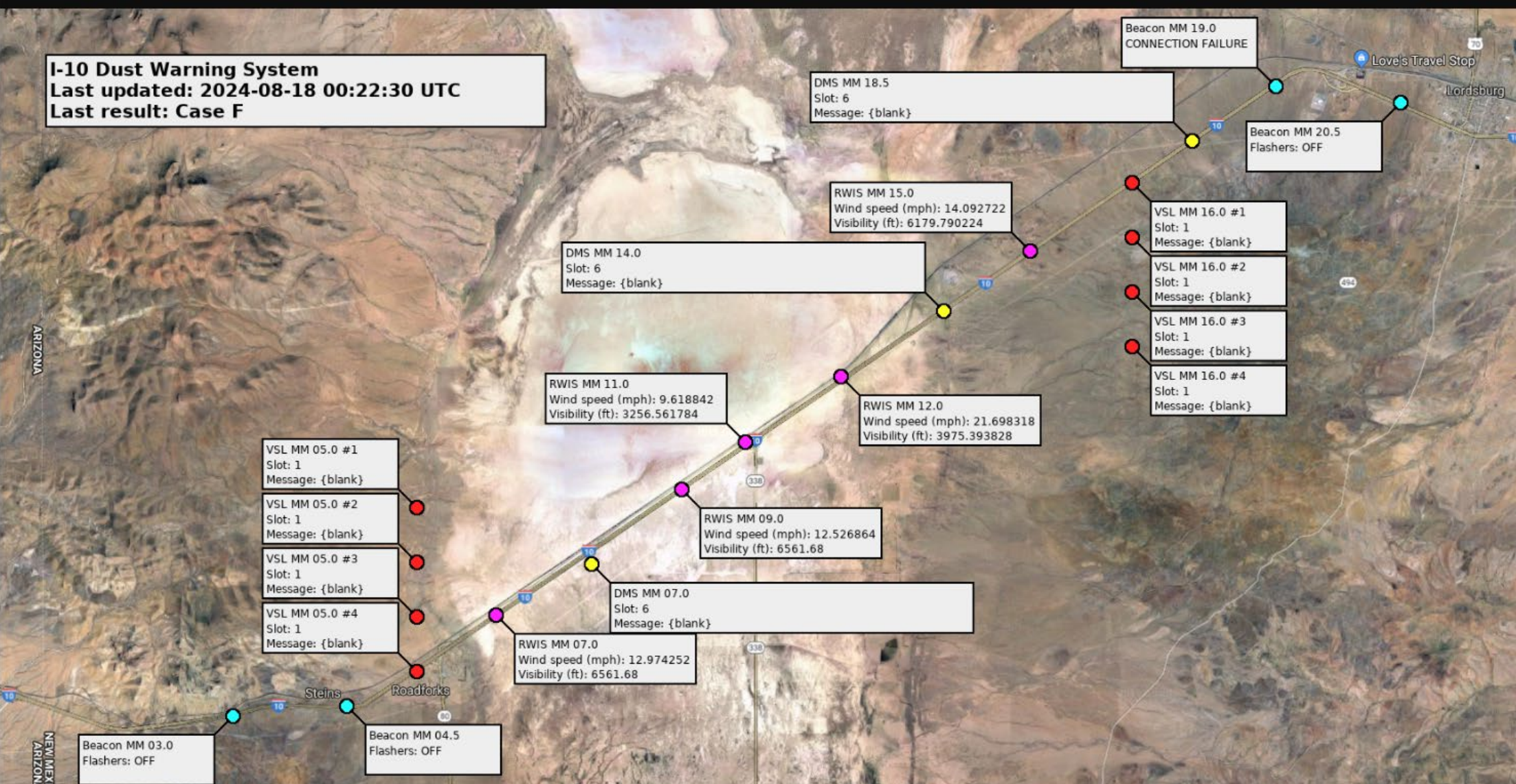
The stretch of interstate in Lordsburg, New Mexico, was closed for several hours following crash. The closure extended through Willcox, Arizona, where local authorities helped manage traffic that was diverted through a small road. The closure ended Tuesday.

State police say sudden high winds caused limited visibility from blowing dust, causing 18 commercial trucks and seven passenger cars to crash on the westbound lanes of I-10.

I-10 Dust Storm Detection, Alert, Notification System



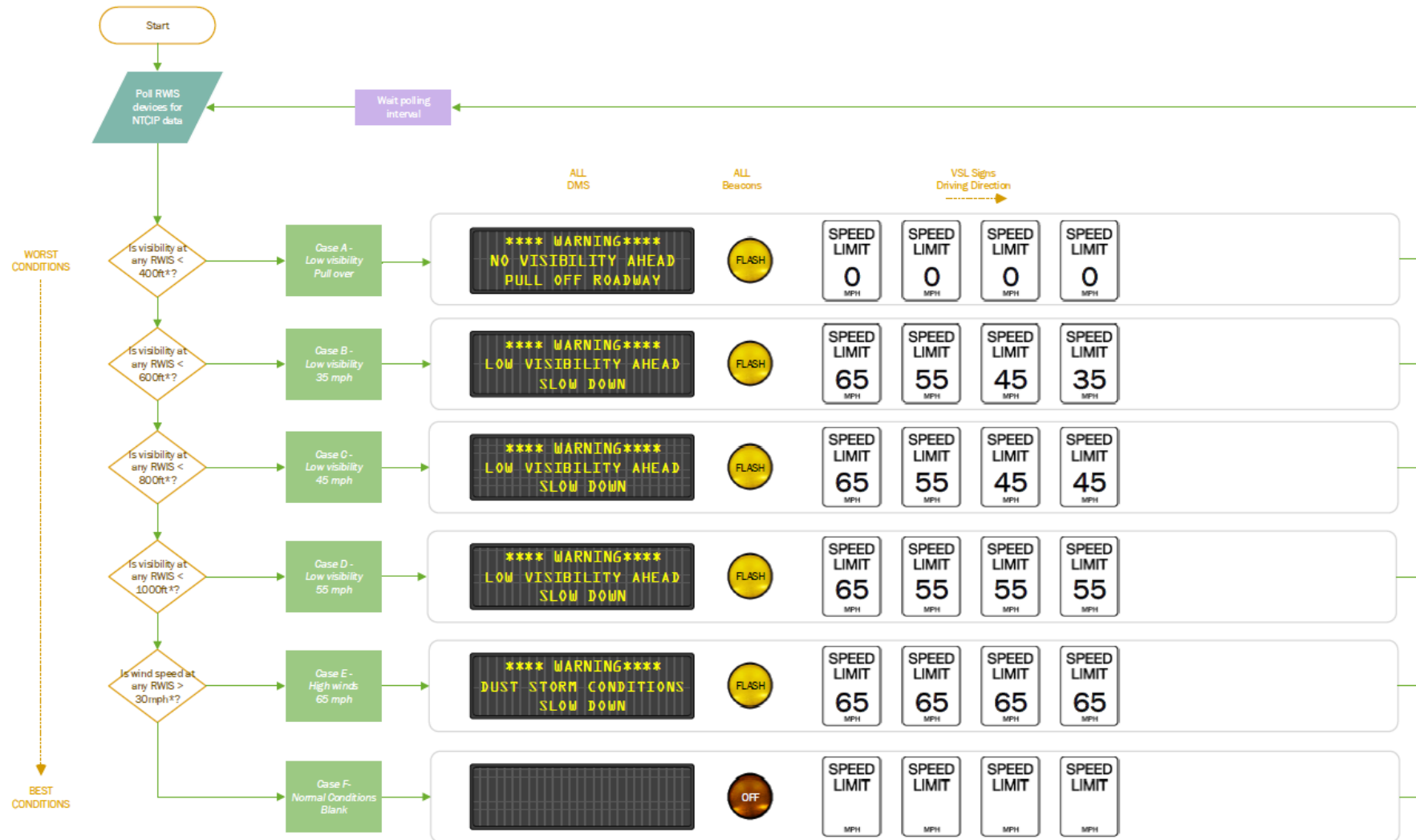
I-10 Dust Storm Detection, Alert, Notification System – Equipment Placement



I-10 Dust Storm Response - Roadway Improvements



I-10 Dust Storm Detection, Alert, Notification System – Decision Algorithm




I-10 Dust Storm Detection, Alert, Notification System – Notification Protocol

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Smart Applications – Video Analytics



Roadway Operations Video Detection, Alert, Notification System – RTMC Operator Notification Protocol

The screenshot displays a software interface for roadway operations. It features a main window titled "Event Summary - Roadrunner-New - gyoun01" and a secondary window titled "Unplanned Event - NM_2024-08-26_00018 - Roadrunner-New - gyoun01".

The "Event Summary" window includes a toolbar with icons for "New Unplanned Event", "New Planned Event", "Open Event Details", "Assign Event", and "Find on Map". Below the toolbar is a table with the following data:

Event ID	Event Type	Planned?	Next Start Time	Description	Roadway	Direction	Cross Street
NM_2024-08-26_0...	Abnormal Congesti...	<input type="checkbox"/>		Traffic vision at ca...	Unknown C2C Roa...	North	Unknown

The "Unplanned Event" window shows detailed information for event ID "NM_2024-08-26_00018". The description is "Traffic vision at camera I-25 NB @ MLK for a SlowedTra". The type is "Abnormal Congestion", source is "External", and severity is "Minor". The location is "Unknown C2C Roadway at Unknown C2C CrossStreet", with a direction of "North".

At the bottom of the interface is a legend with the following items:

- Roadway Cleared - T5
- Normal Traffic - T7
- Pending
- Active
- Closed
- False Alarm
- Failed

A map on the right side shows a street grid with several "DMS" (Detection Monitoring System) icons placed at various intersections. The map is powered by Esri and includes copyright information for the National Bureau of Land Management, Esri, HERE, Garmin, INCREMENT P, NGA, USGS, and 5.8662053845.

Roadway Operations Video Detection, Alert, Notification System – Notification Protocol - Lite

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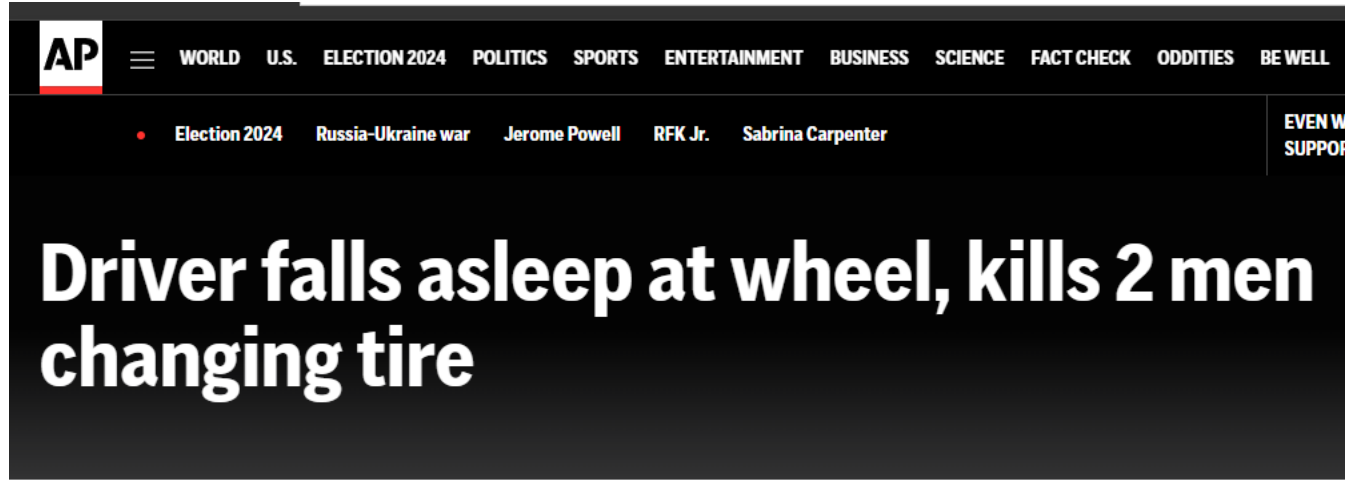
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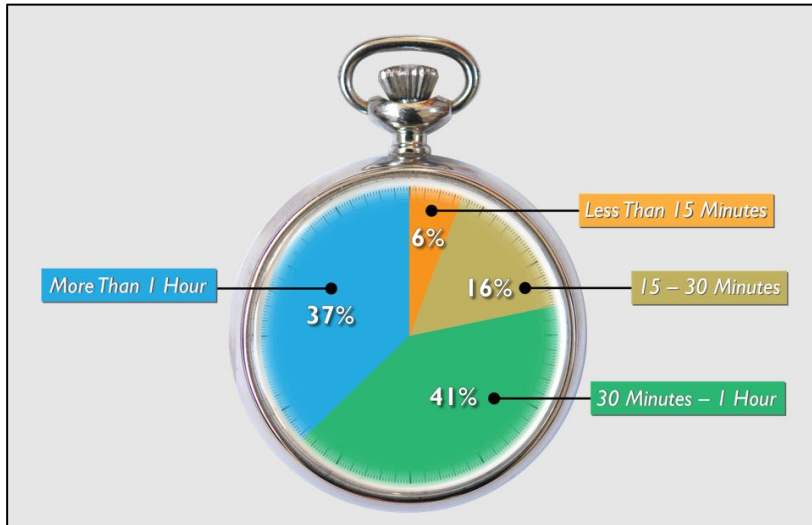


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Truck Parking - Background



- 78 percent of truck drivers are searching for parking for 30 minutes or longer
- Tired truck drivers can go over their required Hours of Service
- Fatigue accounts for over 12 % of all truck crashes



Truck Movements – Freight Analysis Framework



Average Daily Long-Haul Traffic on NHS

FMCSA LOS – 11 hours

To New Mexico via I-10	Hours*
From Los Angeles	~ 10 - 12
From Long Beach	~ 10 - 12
From Houston	~ 10 - 12

* From Google Maps and Averaging Typical Highway Driving Speeds

I10 TPAS – New Mexico Rest Areas



I-10 Truck Parking Availability System (TPAS)



YUCCA

Location:

I 10 E, 54, Eastbound

Truck Parking Spaces Available:

10

Information:

Services Available: Toilets, Handicap Accessible, Drinking Water, Tables & Shelters.

Comments:

In order do server you better please let us know about your visit to our Rest Area.



State police: Wrong-way driver dies in crash near Eldorado

NEWS

Wrong way driver, victims of fatal I-25 crash identified


Posted: Jun 3, 2016 / 06:47 AM MDT
Updated: Jun 3, 2016 / 06:47 AM MDT

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BERNALILLO, N.M. (KRQE) – The victims of the deadly crash that shut down I-25 on Friday have been identified.

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Man accused of wrong-way I-25 crash in Las Cruces that killed WSMR resident

Sun-News reports Las Cruces Sun-News



Where to Next

Utilization of AI and machine learning in streamlining the analyses of large pools of data to more efficiently manage and analyze historical and real time data toward endeavors such as predictive analytics and systems management and operations to best define inflection points where we can implement improvements that will have the biggest and most beneficial impact

This not only includes volumes of data, but also the different types of data to try to mine out correlations and relationships that are not readily apparent

Finish unfinished business. Bring devices into subsystems and subsystems into service systems and service systems into service enterprises.

Leverage opportunities – expand access