### Livermore Amador Valley Transit Authority

## STAFF REPORT

SUBJECT: LAVTA's Transit Signal Priority Upgrade Project

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DATE: May 3, 2021

### **Action Requested**

None – information only.

### **Background**

At the April 5 Board of Directors meeting, a Board member requested an update from staff on the agency's Transit Signal Priority (TSP) system.

### **Discussion**

At your May 3 meeting staff will present an informational update on the TSP system used on LAVTA's Rapid routes, which enables Rapid vehicles to request an extended green light at TSP-enabled intersections when running 3 or more minutes behind schedule. The goals of deploying TSP are to improve on-time performance and schedule reliability, and to reduce travel time for passengers. LAVTA recently completed a project to expand and upgrade the system in late 2020, installing new TSP equipment at 67 intersections along the 10R and 30R and on all 24 Rapid buses.

### Recommendation

None – information only.

### Attachments:

1. Powerpoint Presentation: LAVTA's Transit Signal Priority Upgrade

# LAVTA's Transit Signal Priority Upgrade

LAVTA Board of Directors May 3, 2021





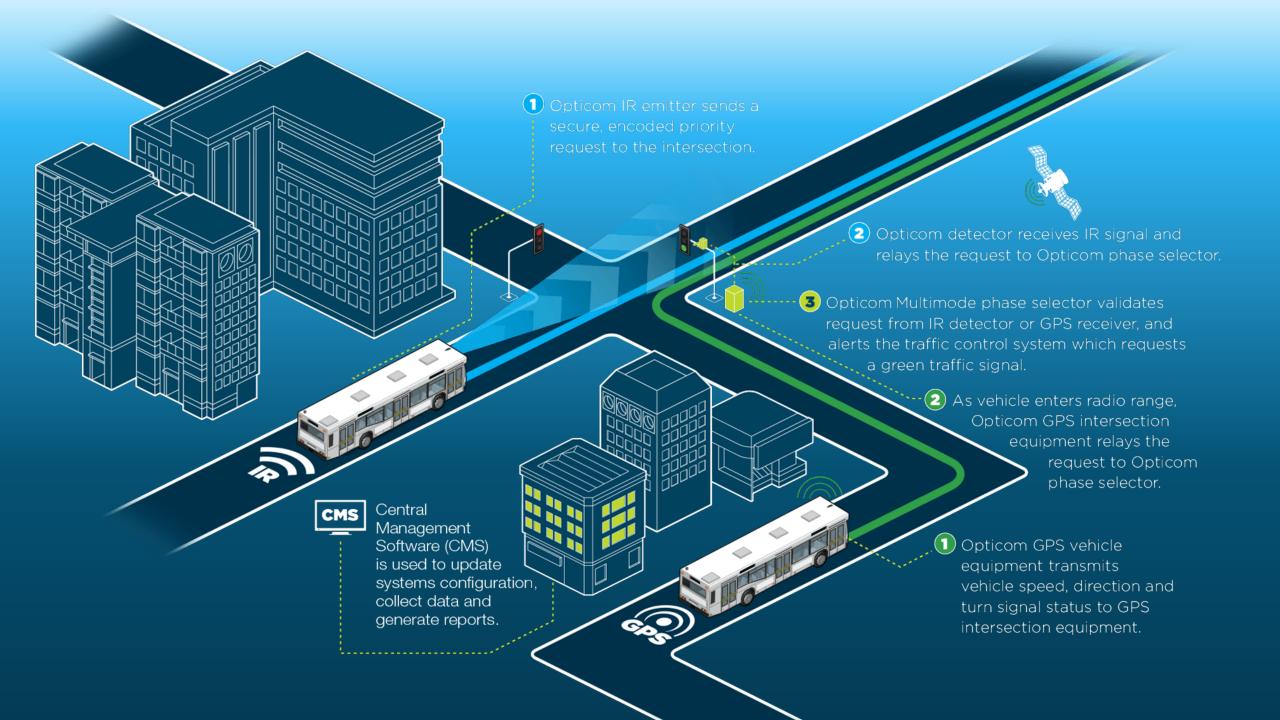
## What Is TSP?

- Extends green lights for priority vehicles
- High- and low-priority calls
- Reduces delays at intersections
- Increases operational efficiency and reliability









## **Benefits of GPS Technology**

- Only "on" when vehicles detected in range of intersection
- Real-time schedule-adherence info determines whether TSP request is made
- Real-time system monitoring
- Works alongside legacy infrared (highpriority) system used by emergency vehicles and LAVTA's 5 queue-jumps







## **Upgrading & Expanding LAVTA's TSP System**

- Original optical infrared system deployed with Rapid in 2010
- New GPS technology coincided with 2016 realignment/expansion of Rapid routes
- In 2017, LAVTA secured \$1.14M from Tri-Valley Transportation Council to upgrade & expand TSP

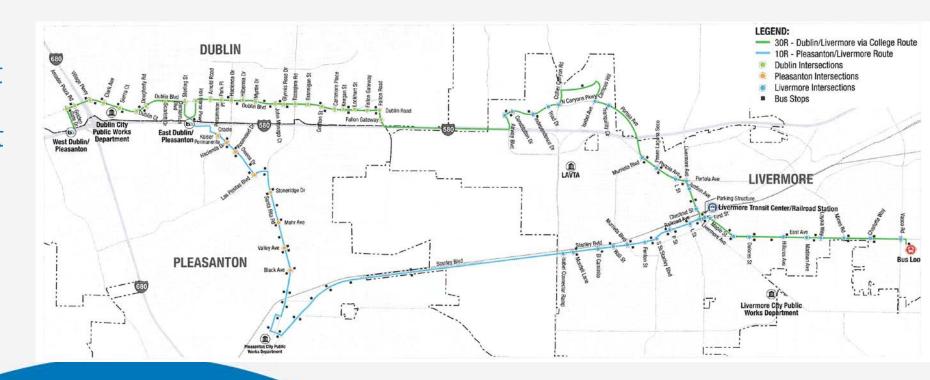






## 2020 TSP Upgrade & Expansion Project

- Added/upgraded TSP equipment at 67 intersections, entire Rapid fleet
- Deployed new Central Mgmt Software to provide real-time operations & monitoring data

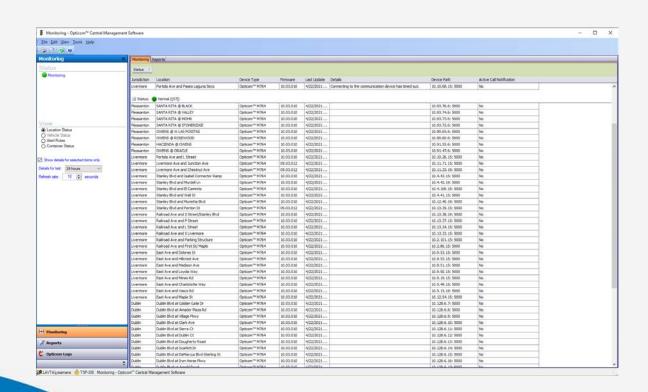






## **Ongoing Operations & Monitoring**

- Immediate impacts hard to determine due to COVID-19
- More benefit will accrue as traffic congestion returns
- Trip-time reliability and making timed transit connections will be keys to success



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## Questions?



