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### Virginia Connected Corridors

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### Human Factors Evaluation of Level 2 and Level 3 Automated Driving Concepts



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#### **Project Vehicle Partners:**

General Motors and Google



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### Are we there yet? Are we there yet? Are there yet?





## **Overview of Three Experiments**

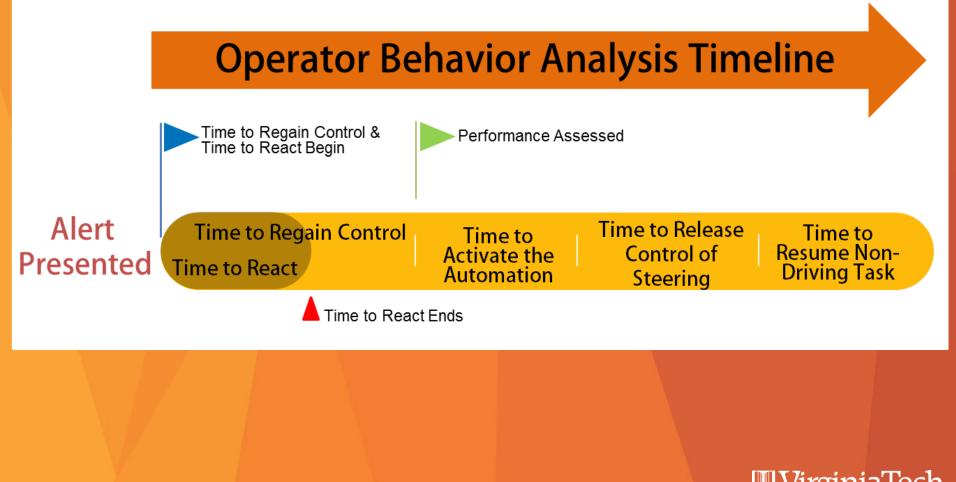
Experiment 1 – L2			
Alert Type (within subject) • Cautionary • Staged • Imminent Alert Modality (within) • Unimodal • Multimodal 25 participants One 90-min session	Experiment 2 – L2 Driving Session (within) Event Type (within) • Alert • No Alert • No Lane Drift Prompt Condition (between subjects) • 2-s • 7-s • No prompt 56 participants Three 60-min sessions	Experiment 3 – L3 Driving Session (within) Alert Type (within) • Staged • Imminent – External Threat • Imminent – No External Threat 25 participants Three 30-min sessions	

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### Vehicles and Partners



### **Dependent Variables**



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## Vehicle Automation Theories

• Primary Task Reversal

Alert Annoyance
 Habituation







# Primary Task Reversal

- Full-priority shift from driving-related task to non-driving tasks
  - Non-driving tasks becomes primary task demoting controlling the vehicle to secondary task
  - Readiness to respond to driving-related prompts and alerts can be delayed because operators feel obliged to complete non-driving task first



## **Alert Annoyance Habituation**

- Operators can weigh non-driving task as more urgent if the TOR alert's urgency is low
- Operators can weigh the non-driving task as less urgent if the TOR alert urgency is high
- Need HMIs that balance conspicuity, urgency, and annoyance



## Trust in Automation



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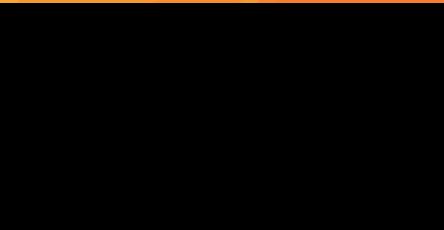
### Need for Naturalistic Research





## Potential for Misuse & Abuse











## Virginia Open for On-Road Testing



Support for Virginia Tech Transportation Institute and Automated and Autonomous Vehicles	
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WHEREAS, the Commonwealth of Virginia is on the cusp of the next revolution in the automobile industry with automated and autonomous vehicles, also known as "self-driving" cars; and

WHEREAS, the Commonwealth has an unparalleled higher education system with world recognized research facilities and a mission to be leaders in innovation; and

WHEREAS, the Commonwealth is in a position to be a leader in welcoming, supporting and developing the automated vehicle industry, the emerging technologies used in such vehicles, and the business that will provide the support necessary to make the innovations a reality; and

WHEREAS, the Virginia Tech Transportation Institute Center for Automated Vehicle Systems is providing the necessary leadership to study all aspects related to automated and autonomous vehicles, and to develop partnerships with groups involved in researching, planning, and producing automated vehicles;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Terence R. McAuliffe, do hereby declare that the COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA supports the mission of the Virginia Tech Transportation Institute Center for Automated Vehicle Systems and its self-driving on-road studies, and is open for business for the vehicle and technology manufacturers and researchers committed to the development, testing and deployment of automated and autonomous vehicles, and I call this observance to the attention of all our citizens.





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## Virginia Automated Corridors

- Provide automated driving system migration path from test-track to real-world operating environments
- VTTI handles logistics, insurance, and legal matters
- Licensing and insurance provided by Commonwealth
- HERE<sup>™</sup> high definition mapping
- Operational testing environments
  - Test tracks with intersections + connected vehicle communications
  - Transurban toll lanes provide open operational environment with dedicated limited access
  - VDOT dedicated to maintaining lane markings









### Smart Road Test Track & All-Weather Testing









### Virginia International Raceway

### Virginia Connected Corridor



### NextGen DAS



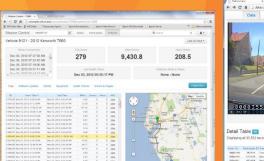






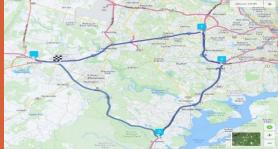
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### Virginia Automated Corridor Sample Test Route



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