

For over 10 years the Federal Highway Administration's Every Day Counts (EDC) program has rapidly deployed proven technologies and processes. EDC round 8 (2026-2027) highlights innovations that improve project delivery, innovate infrastructure management, and create safer, more efficient transportation in the Nation.

## ADVANCING NIGHTTIME WORK ZONE SAFETY

Nighttime work zones present challenges and high safety risks for agencies, workers, and drivers. Because agencies use different nighttime procedures, the safety and traffic results can be inconsistent. FHWA's Advancing Nighttime Work Zone Safety initiative aims to offer tools to help transportation agencies adopt safer, more innovative nighttime work zone practices.

## BEYOND BID-BUILD: INNOVATIVE PROJECT DELIVERY METHODS

Many agencies struggle with tight budgets, staff shortages, and rising costs, making project delivery more challenging. Beyond Bid-Build aims to use alternative contracting methods to offer flexible tools that bring in expertise earlier and reduce risks, helping agencies deliver projects faster, smarter, and with better long-term outcomes.

## CONNECTED CORRIDORS

The National Highway System is vital to our economy, safety, and daily travel, but planned and unexpected disruptions can cause significant delays. Transportation workers and travelers need accurate, up-to-date information. Connected Corridors helps states work in a coordinated, shared approach, while ensuring each agency retains control over its own data and platforms. It augments safety and efficiency through actionable insights driven by reliable data sharing and common quality standards, and supports further innovation with interoperable services that are nationally scalable.

## INTEGRATED DIGITAL PROJECT DELIVERY

Integrated Digital Project Delivery helps transportation agencies improve the way they plan, build, and maintain projects by connecting people and information in one system. With shared digital models and easy-to-use online tools, teams can quickly find accurate data, solve problems sooner, and deliver safer and more reliable projects.

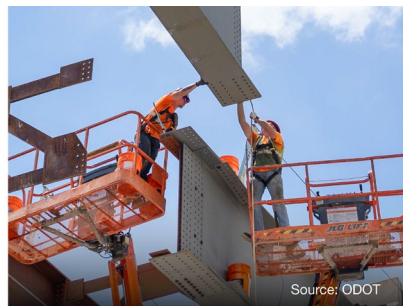
## SUBSURFACE UTILITY ENGINEERING (SUE)

Unexpected utility hits are a major cause of delays, added costs, and safety risks on highway projects. Subsurface Utility Engineering (SUE) helps fix this problem by using proven tools to locate and map utilities early in the planning process. With better information upfront, agencies can avoid surprises and keep projects on schedule.

## UAS 2.0: INNOVATIVE INFRASTRUCTURE MANAGEMENT

Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) 2.0: Innovative Infrastructure Management offers transportation agencies new opportunities to improve how they inspect and maintain critical infrastructure. Building on the nationwide success of earlier UAS adoption, these next-generation tools help agencies work more safely, efficiently, and consistently. This innovation supports better decisions and stronger infrastructure management over time.





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