

# Driverless Car/Driverless Transit Future ...are we at the Rubicon?

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# Where are we headed?

- Two different scenarios
  - Driverless cars
  - Driverless transit

# Where do we want to be headed?

- Safety
- Capacity/congestion
  - Headway
  - VMT
- Infrastructure
- Severance
- Energy use
  - Greenhouse gases
- Cost
- Walkability
- Real estate

# How could we choose?

- Develop and analyze future scenarios
- Obtain public input
- Facilitate development of preferred scenarios
- Iterate

# Leveling the Playing Field

- Remove biases from technology selection
- Encourage foreign transit technologies in US
- Encourage/educate transit professionals
- Implement demonstration programs

*We may or may not be at the Rubicon but:*

*We owe it to our children to seek out the best future transportation scenario and strive to bring it about*