

# Tackling Red Light Running Crashes- A Technology Blueprint

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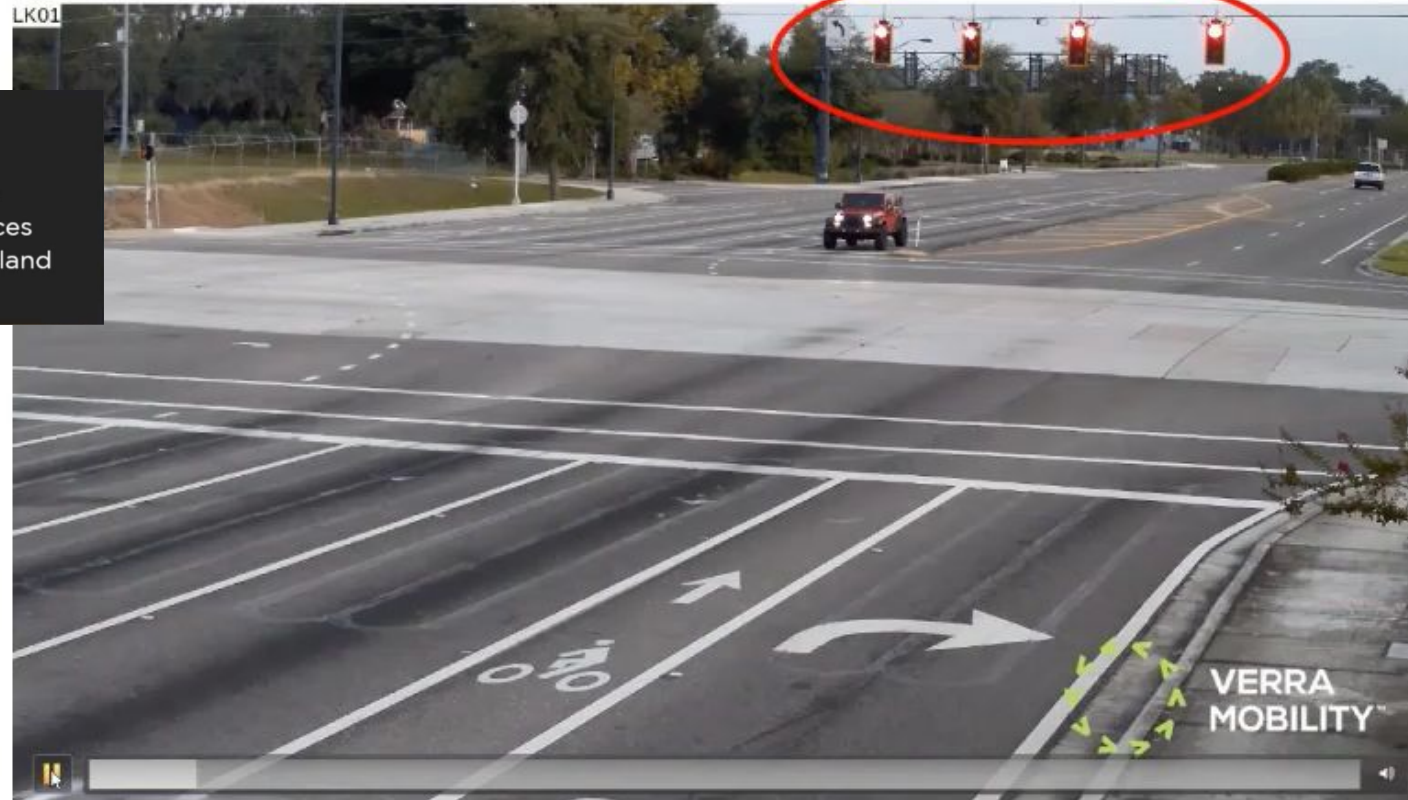
# The Problem in Lakeland, FL (Anecdotaly)

## Memorial and Florida Avenue



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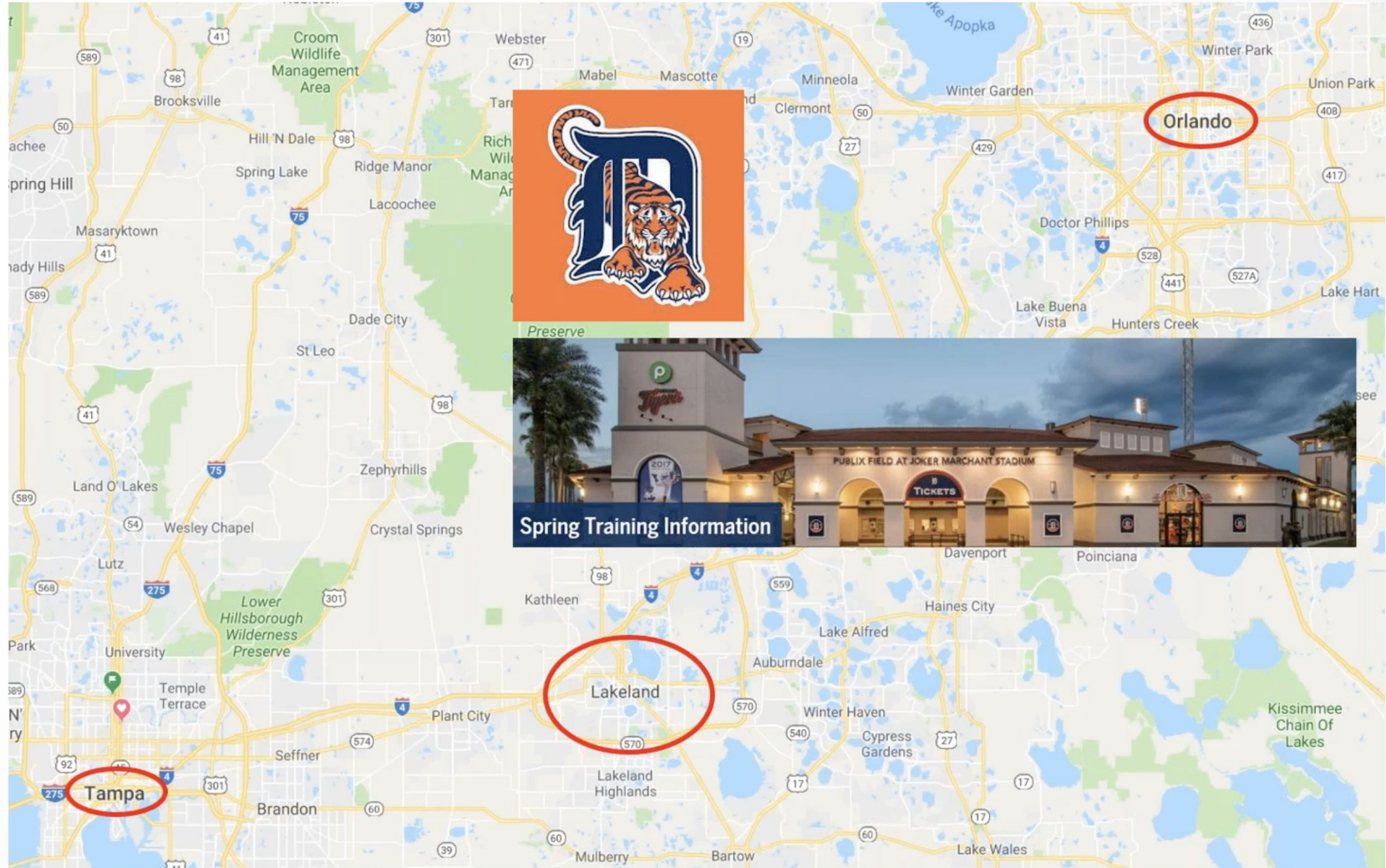
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# Lakeland, Florida

- 110k population
- 177 traffic signals



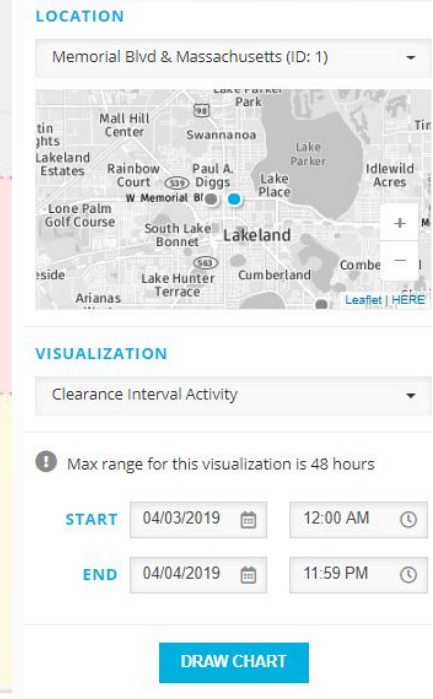
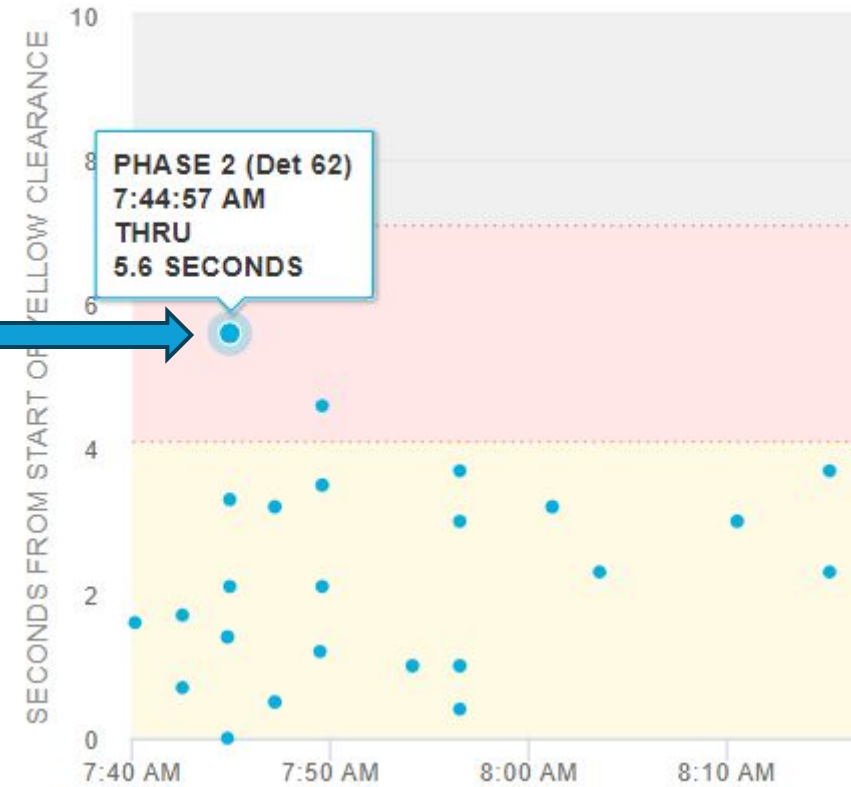
# Step 1:

*Quantify the Problem*



# Building Trust in the Data:

## Red light running cameras compared to Data from Signal Performance Measures

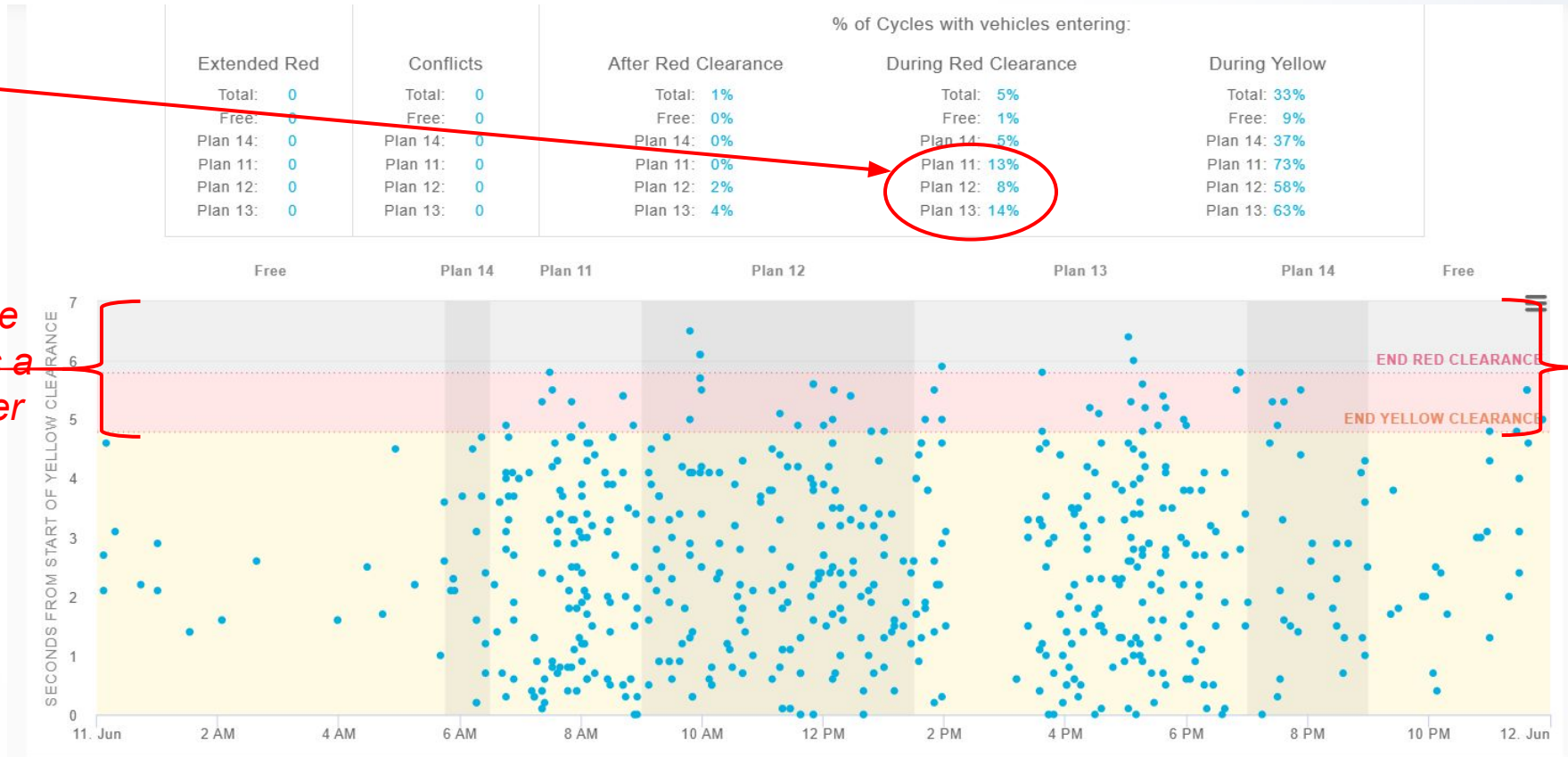


Red light running enforcement cameras decrease red light running crashes by 25% (TTI Study)

# The Problem in Lakeland, FL (Quantitatively)

13-14% of cycles during the busy AM / PM peak period have red light runners

Each dot in the pink or grey is a red-light runner



## Step 2:

*Implement a countermeasure that  
addresses the problem*

**Red Extend Application**



# Lakeland FL – iCASP Program

- Lakeland started a program to investigate what can be done about this safety program
- Implemented technology to address the problem
  - Controller with Red Extension capabilities
  - Speed Sensitive Detection
- Data analytics to monitor performance

The City of Lakeland's Intersection Collision Avoidance Safety Program – iCASP  
Preventing Red Light Running Crashes

*Courtesy Promotes Safety:  
Please SLOW DOWN and give pedestrians and bicyclists a BRAKE!*

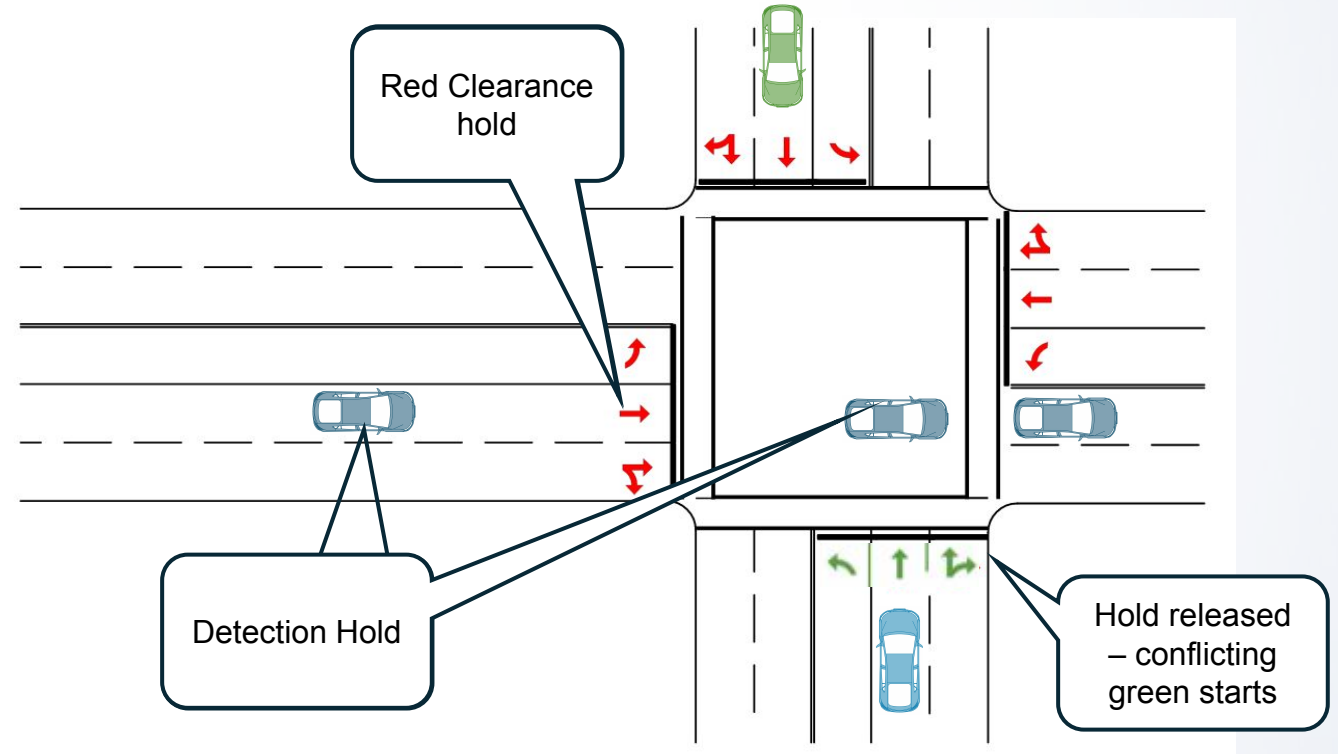
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# What is Red Extend (aka Red Protect)

- Detection system predicts Red Light Runner
- Controller doesn't start conflict phase until RLR is clear of intersection



# The Key: Predict a Red Light Runner

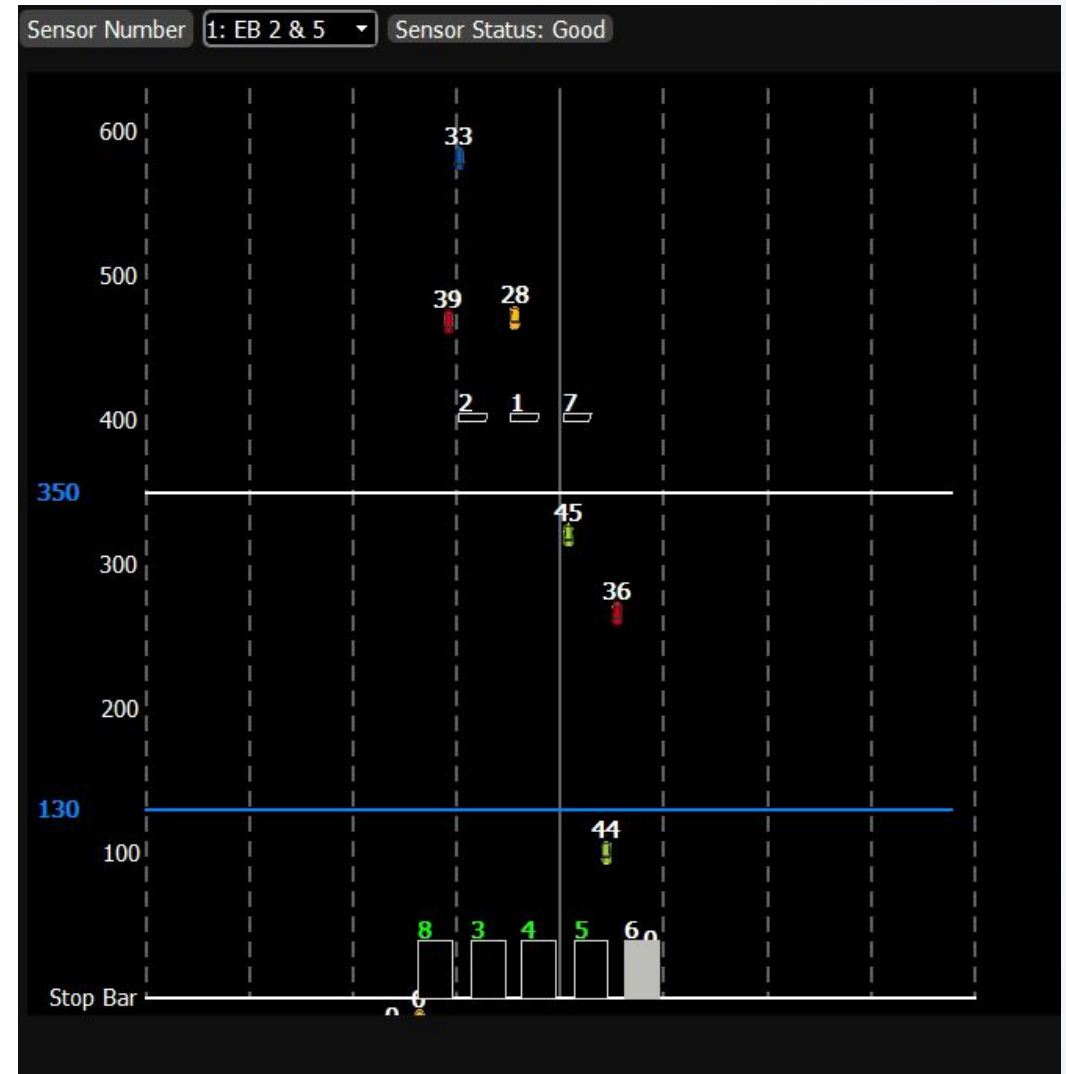
- Predict early enough to do something about it
- Use what we know about driver behavior
- Use data to customize for the intersection



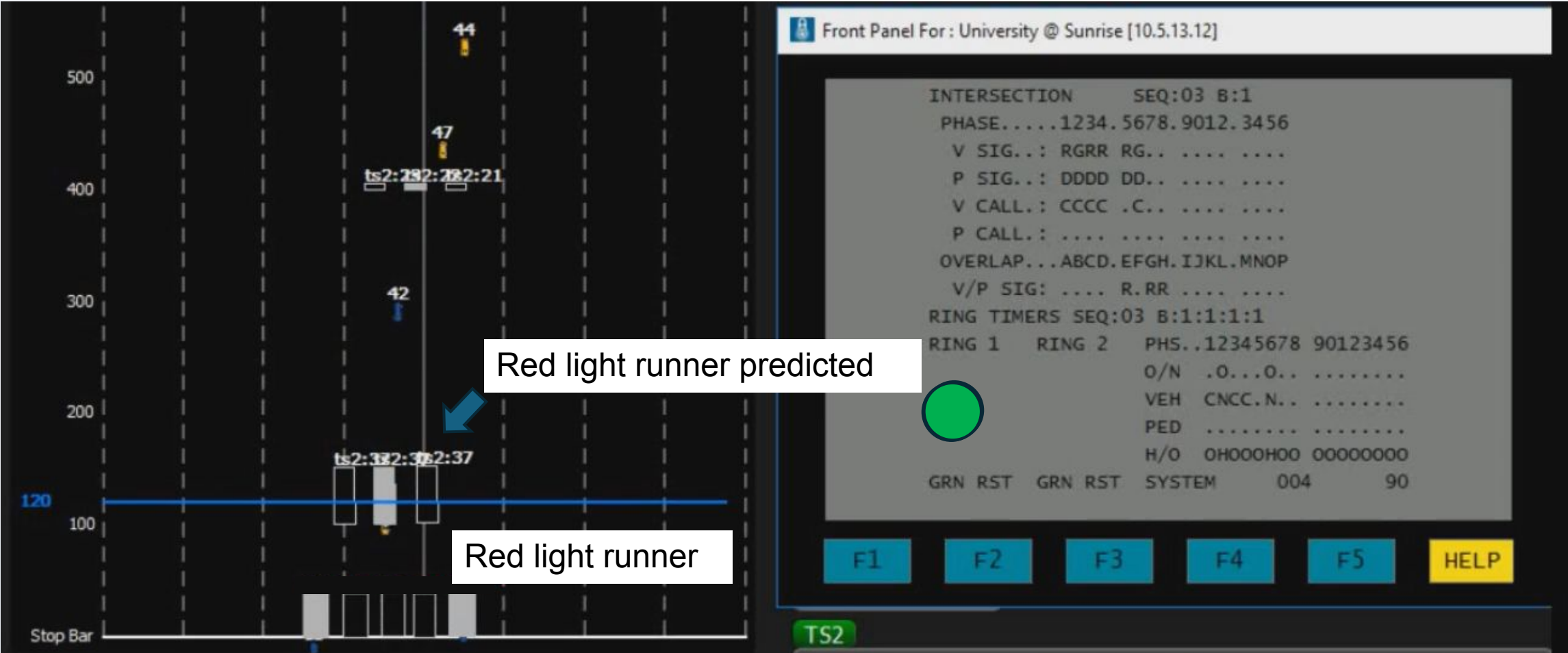


# Radar Trip Lines for Red Extend

- Speed Sensitive Trip Line set at distance where faster vehicles won't stop
  - Doesn't trigger for slow moving vehicles
- Predicts Red Light Runners and sends output to controller
  - Red Protect/ Red Extend controller features extend the red clearance while output is active



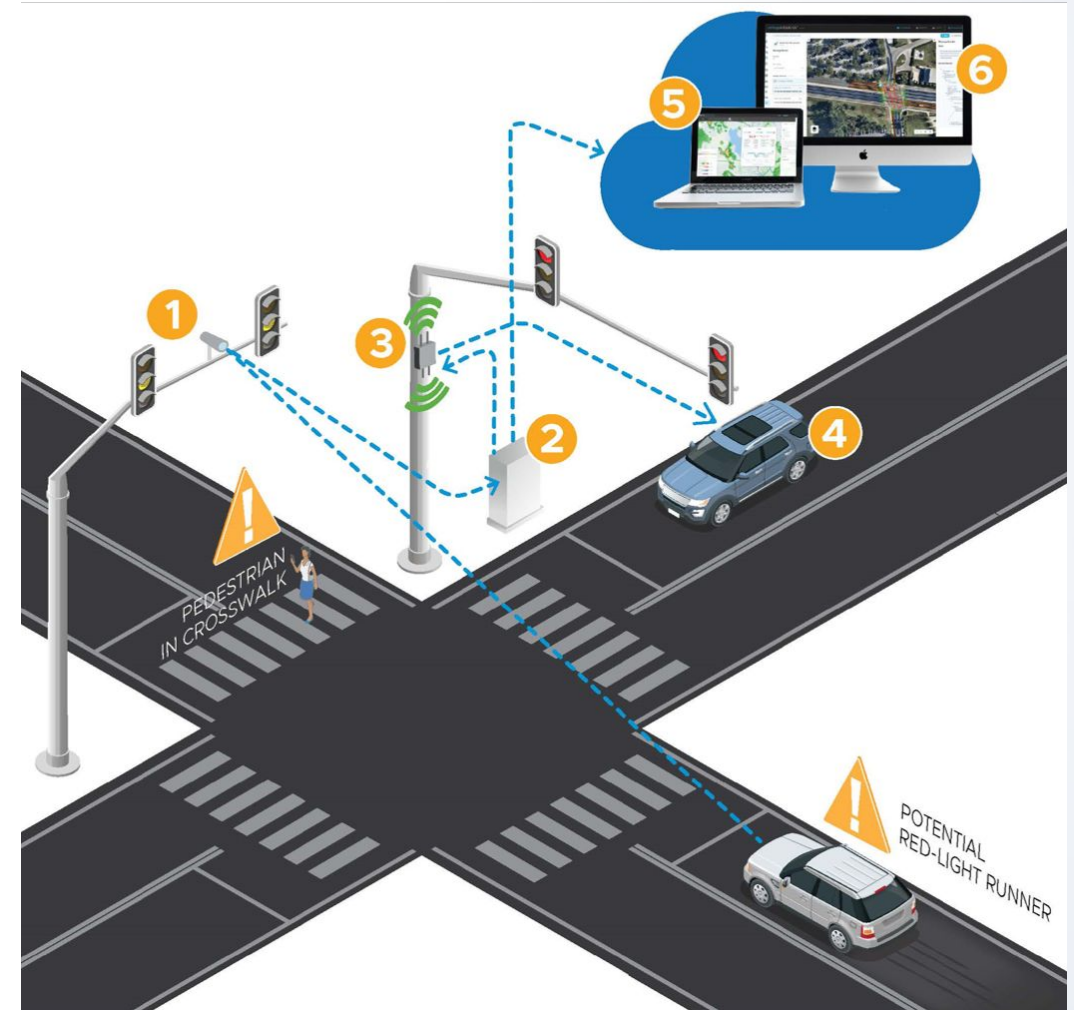
# Red Extend Video





# Warn Drivers: Connected Vehicle Alerts

1. Sensors predict red light runners
2. CV app engine ingests data and generates V2X messages
3. RSU broadcasts alert
4. OBU receives alert
5. Cloud-based software provides CV visualizations and RSU monitoring
6. Cloud-based software provides pedestrian activity and red-light running analytics



# Red light runner warnings

VantageARGUS CV™ v3.0.871

DASHBOARD STATUS REPORTS ALERTS Lakeland FL

Search for locations, devices, pairs, and routes

Share Select View

Locations Pairs Routes Create Report Road Geometry SPAT TIM BSM PSM SRM/SSM Message Stream

Bartow Road & Commerce... ID: 11477

**TIM Information**

**Message**

N/A  
reckless driver, danger, drive with extreme caution

280159593, -819161521  
6917, 1794, 7170

Within zone –  
TIM message  
will be received  
by any vehicle  
with an OBU.

Standard TIM  
Message: reckless  
driver, danger, drive  
with extreme caution

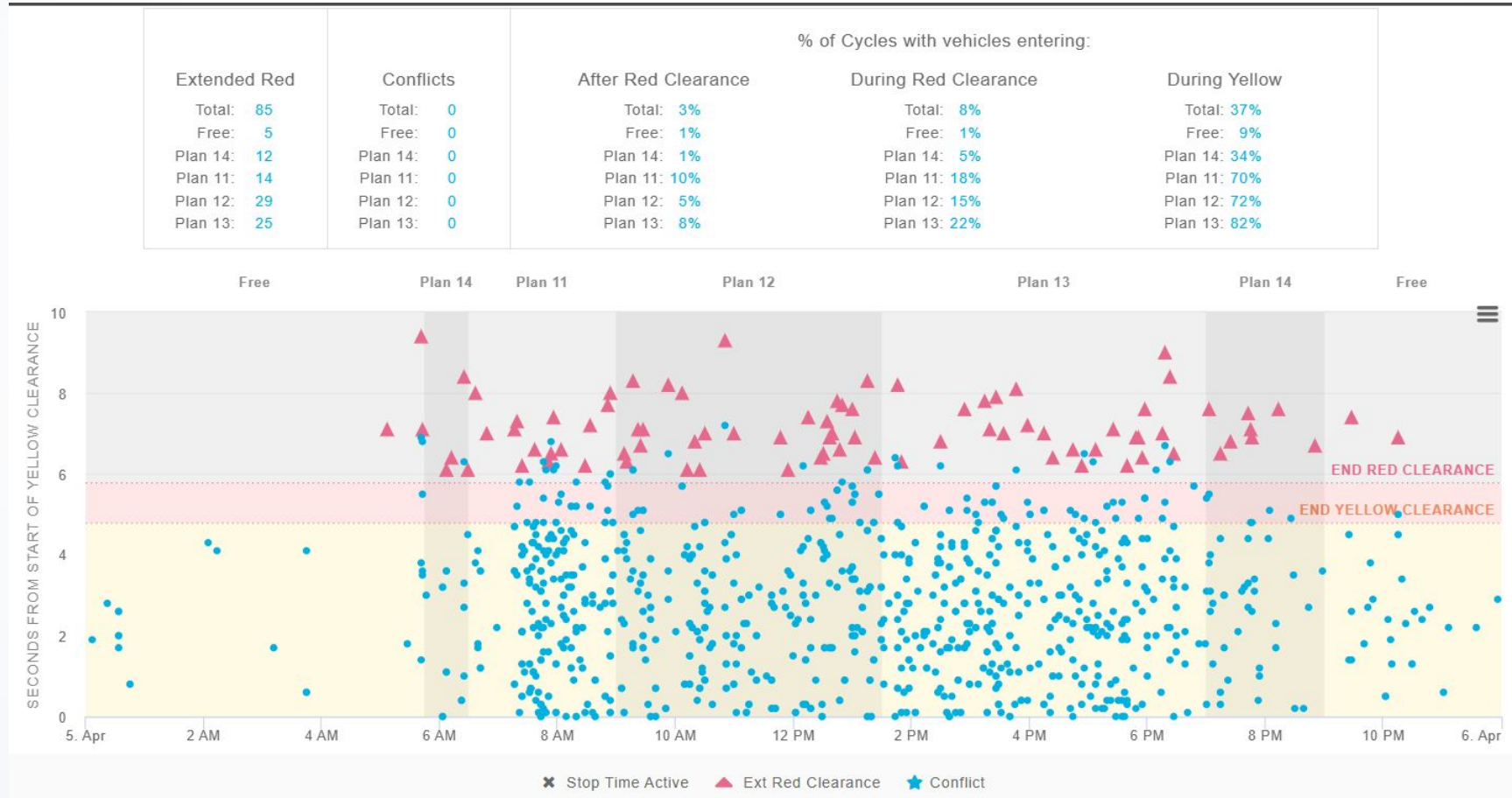
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## Step 3:

*Measure the Benefits of the  
Safety Countermeasures*

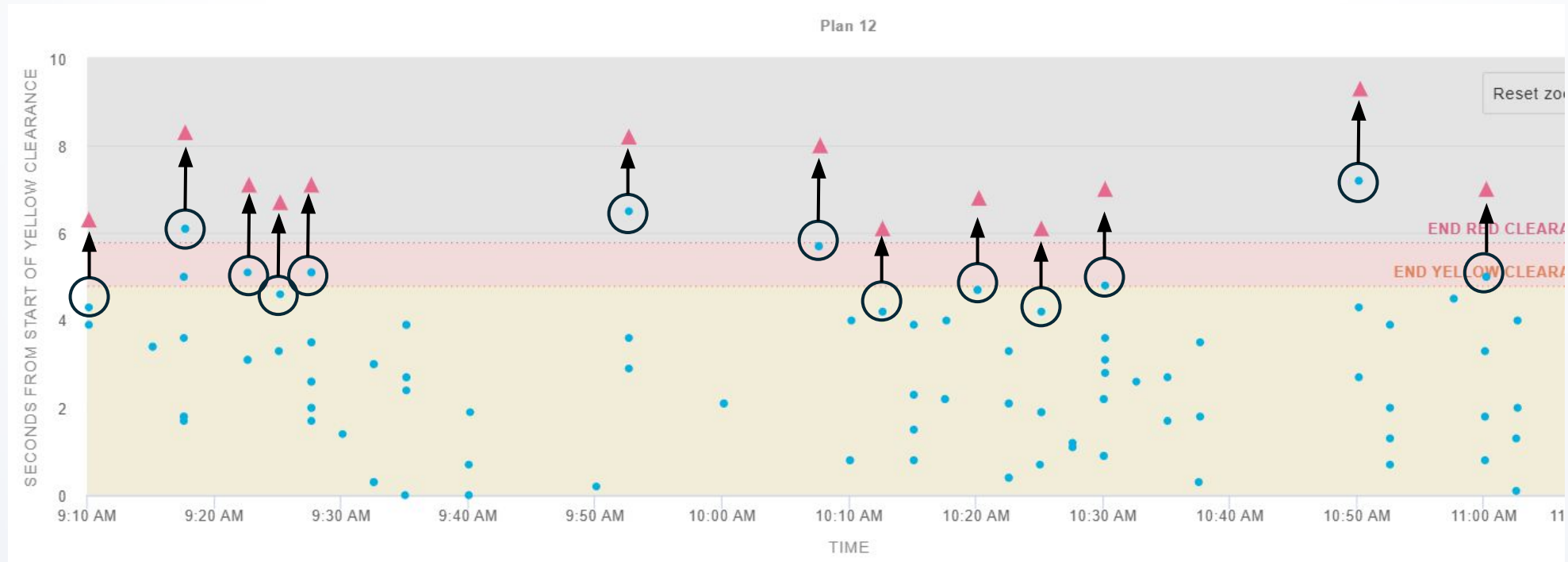
# Vehicles Still Run Red Lights, But Crash Risk is Minimized





# Two Technologies: Confirming the Operation

- – Video when cars are in the intersection
- ▲ – Radar predicted that a car was going to run the red light and extended the Red Clearance



# Because Every Asks: Red Light Running has not increased because they are protected

06/06/2019 12:00 AM - 06/06/2019 11:59 PM

% of Cycles with vehicles entering

After Red Clearance

During Red Clearance

Total: 1%  
Free: 1%  
Plan 14: 2%  
Plan 11: 2%  
Plan 12: 3%  
Plan 13: 3%

Total: 5%  
Free: 0%  
Plan 14: 6%  
Plan 11: 15%  
Plan 12: 8%  
Plan 13: 14%

06/06/2025 12:00 AM - 06/06/2025 11:59 PM

% of Cycles with vehicles entering:

After Red Clearance

During Red Clearance

Total: 1%  
Plan 99: 0%  
Plan 24: 0%  
Plan 21: 2%  
Plan 22: 2%  
Plan 23: 3%

Total: 4%  
Plan 99: 1%  
Plan 24: 3%  
Plan 21: 8%  
Plan 22: 11%  
Plan 23: 6%

# Summary

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- Off the shelf technology
- Monitored with data analytics software
- Reduced probability of crashes
- Did not increase red light runners
- The City's 4 intersection pilot has expanded to 20+ intersections



A blue-tinted background image showing a close-up of a microchip with the letters 'AI' printed on its surface. The chip is surrounded by various electronic components and circuitry.

# Thank You

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