MONTANA's Experience with Automated Citation and Ramp Screening Systems

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Background

- Montana's ITD Program (formerly CVISN)
 - 2008 CVISN team identified 2 ITD projects
 - Automated Citation, including Computer Aided Dispatch
 - AWSSS project, including SIRIS screening project to improve high volume weigh stations operations
 - 2009 thru 2012
 - Develop projects concepts and plans
 - Secure Grants and state match funding
 - Contract Award and deployment

Why Automated Citations?

- Manual Citation Process (Costly)
 - Quadruplicate citation forms purchased and manually distributed, tracked and retrieved.
 - Hard copies of citations hand delivered to the courts.
 - Posted bond deposited to courts by officers.
 - Storage and indexing of hard copy records consume space.
 - Supervisory citation audits require manual review of hard copy files.
 - Radio dispatch requires two way communications
- Yearly Cost Average = \$173,252

Benefits SmartCop/SmartCad

- MDT, MHP and FWP share expenses for automated citation and Computer Aided Dispatch systems
- Automated processes
- Ability to locate other law enforcement personnel
- Connection to NLETS, nationwide system
- Saves time by being electronically submitted to courts
- Time savings for officers as it is cross references CDL & vehicle queries to citations and incident reports
- Average yearly cost since deployment = \$97,371.00, saving \$75,881 over manual process costs

MDT Smart Cop/Smart CAD Use

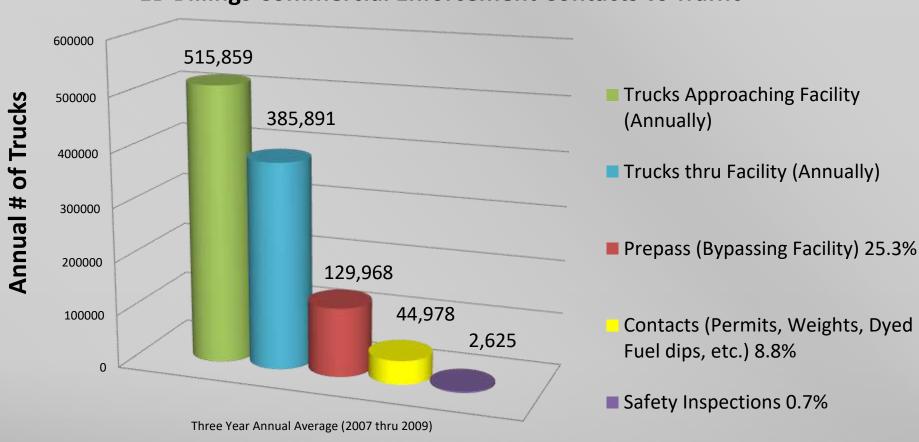
 5 Captains and 2 Lieutenants operating from offices an patrol vehicles

53 Officers operating 30 Weigh stations

 26 Officers operating mobile patrol vehicles statewide

Why Ramp Screening?

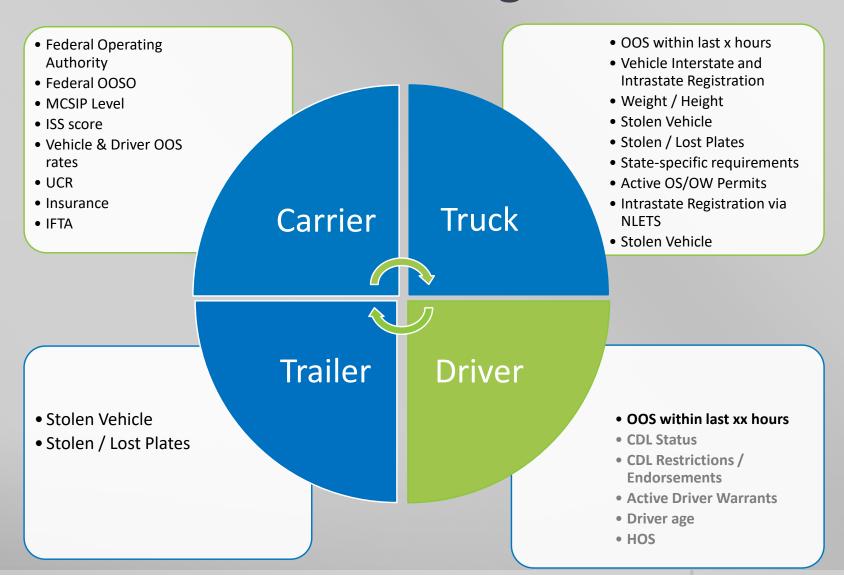
EB Billings Commercial Enforcement Contacts vs Traffic



Mainline and Ramp Screening History

- 1994 MDT hired MSU/WTI to conduct study to determine cost/benefit of IOU (NORPASS), PREPASS and State owned weigh station bypass systems
- 1995 Montana joined HELP as an full member
- 1998 First PrePass site installed with state owned WIM on I 15 at Lima Montana
- 2011 thru 2014 Installed 360 SmartView
- Current MT Bypass deployments
 - 7 Interstate weigh stations +1 Joint POE with Wyoming
 - 2 Non Interstate weigh stations
- Current 360SmartView deployments
 - 5 weigh station ramps
 - 2 Mobile Enforcement Trailers
 - 360 SmartView MEU (CVIEW) available to all MCS enforcement officers and MCSAP Investigators

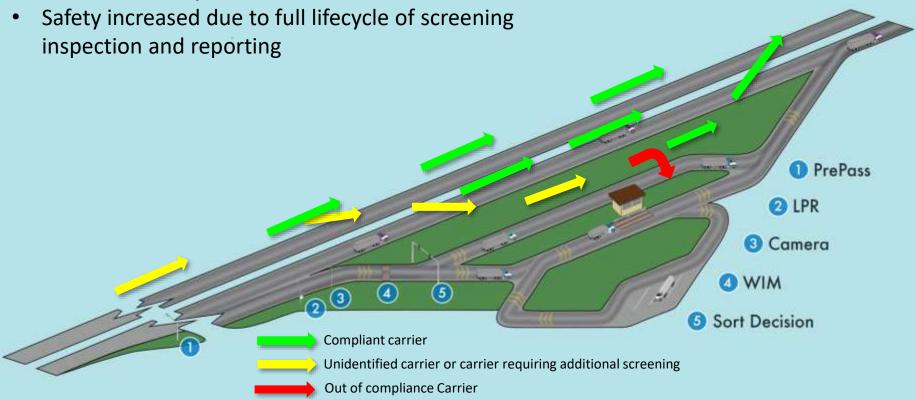
360 SmartView Screening Factors



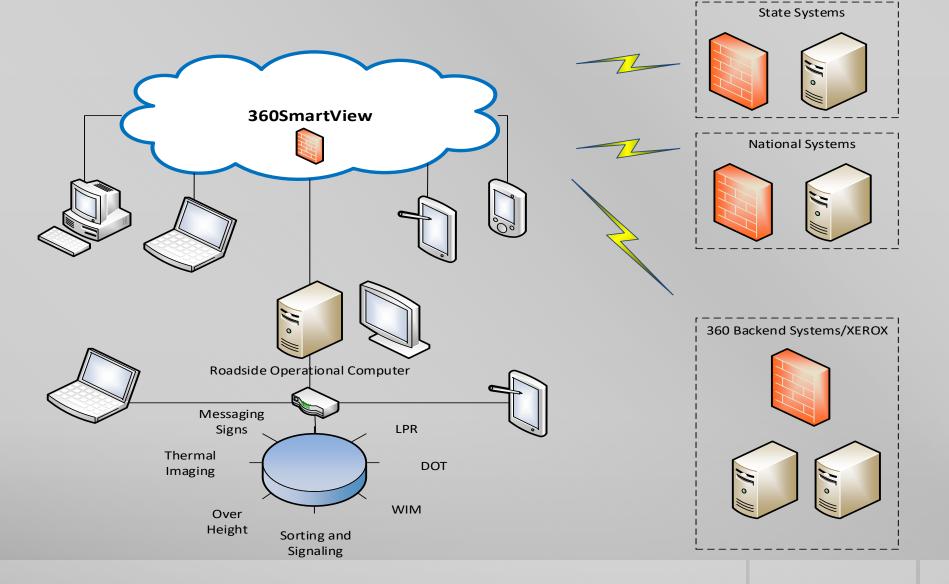
Mainline and 360 SmartView Screening

PrePass + 360SmartView = Complete Solution

- Nearly 100% of traffic is screened
- Officers still in control of questionable vehicles or companies and able to manually intervene



ITD Architecture



Funding

- Deployment
 - ECVISN Grant
 - 50% CVISN Funds (FMCSA ITD Grant funds 85%)
 - 50% UCR Funds (State UCR funds 15%)
 - Legislative Approval
- Maintenance
 - E ITD and MCSAP Grant
 - UCR Funds

First year 360 Result

Violations per safety inspection – Up 23%

Vehicles with an ISS "Inspect" rating – Up 25%

Temporary Fuel Permit Revenue – Up 55%

 Temporary Registration Permit Revenue – Up 88%

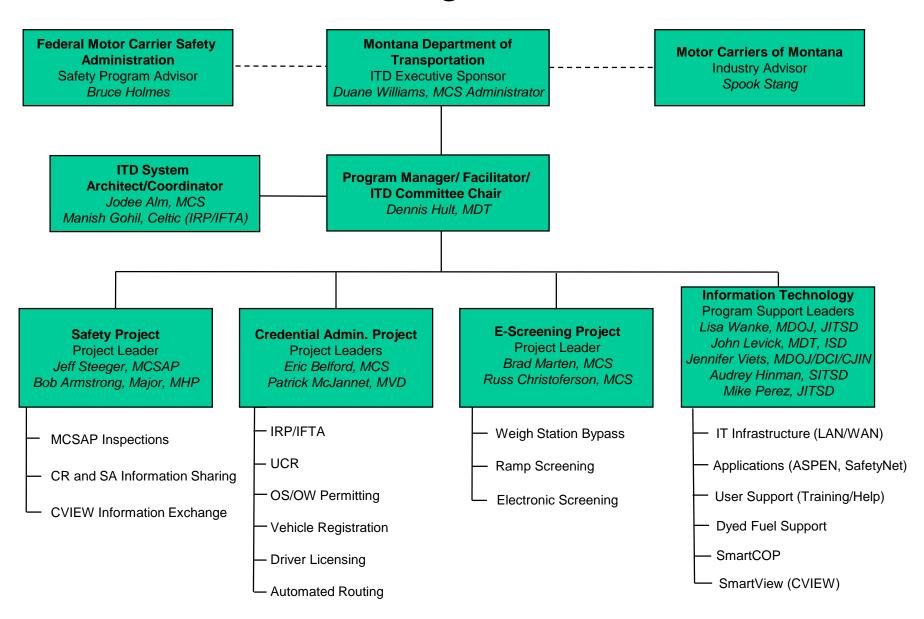
Montana 360 SmartView Deployments

Ramp Screening currently installed at 5 Interstate locations (6 Ramps)

- Butte Westbound weigh station on I-15 / I-90
- Billings Eastbound and Westbound weigh station's on I-90
- Haugan Eastbound and Westbound weigh station on I-90
- 2 Mobile Trailers

360 SmartView MEU is Montana's ITD CVIEW

MT ITD (CVISN) Organizational Structure



Tactical Approach

- Establish Program/Program Plan
 - Identify Executive Champion to shepherd the program
 - Organize program structure, identify leaders and roles across agency and work unit lines
 - Develop and document program plan including a list of projects
 - Develop and document project plans to be used for grant application and legislative funding approval
 - Work together as a team

SmartCop and SmartView Operations

SmartCAD

- Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD)
- Integrated ESRI mapping allows for real time view of calls and units.
- Tracks assigned and unassigned officers
- CAD info is pushed to officers as soon as it is entered giving officers real time access to information
- Used by multiple jurisdictions

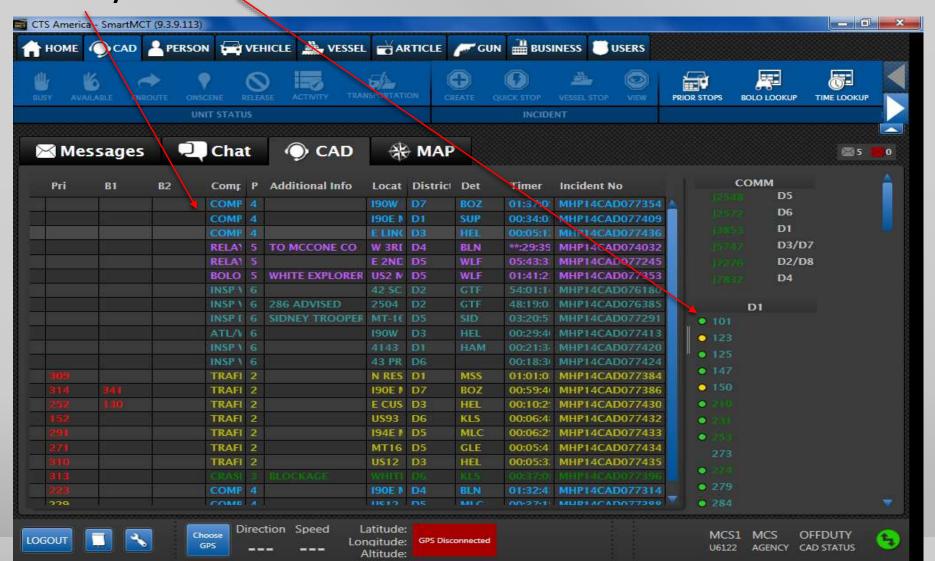
SmartMCT

- Mobile Computer Terminal (MCT)
- Gives officers immediate, real-time access to SmartCAD, State CIC and NCIC, individual and group chat, and Field-Based Reporting (FBR)
- Easy access to State/NCIC queries

Shows current activities and who is currently on shift.

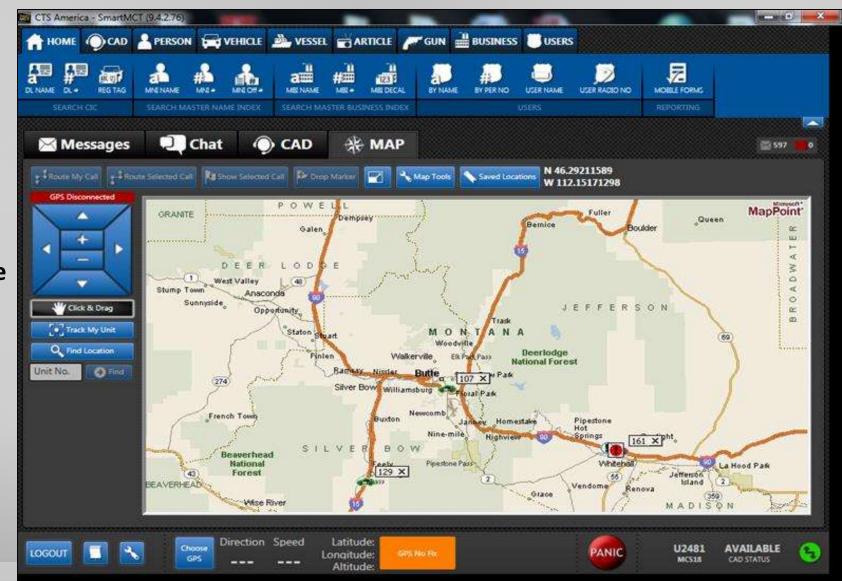
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Access to the CAD



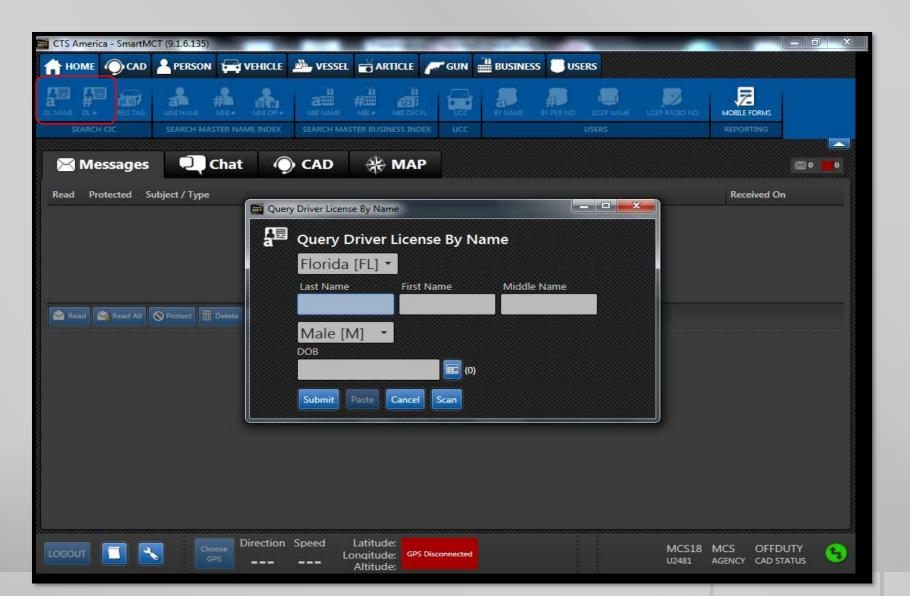
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Maps out units & incidents that are in the officers immediate area



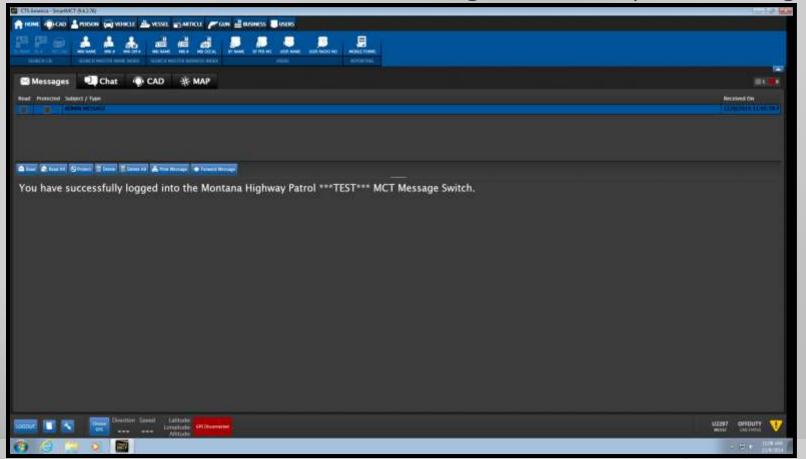
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CDL Verification Checks

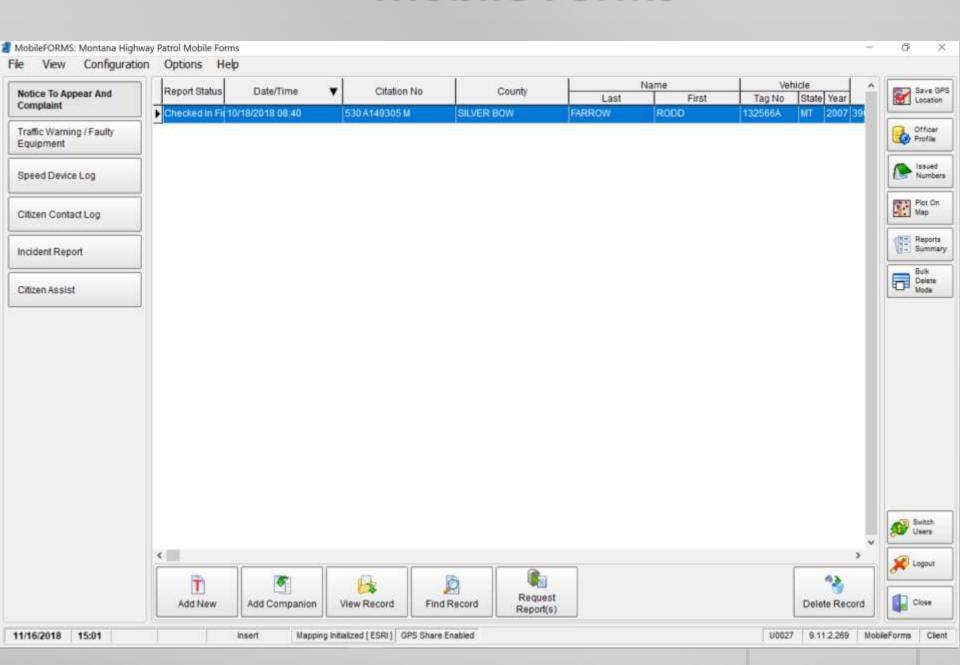


SmartMobile

- Officers can access Mobile Forms from their MCT
- Can be used in an on-line status or off-line status
- Electronic forms for citations, warnings, incident reports, and logs



Mobile Forms



360 SmartView Screening

- SIRIS used as a screening tool for:
 - Brakes
 - Hubs
 - Tires
- System also checks for :
 - Active O/S & O/W Permits for MT
 - Stolen Vehicles NCIC hot list
 - Current UCR
 - Valid Operating Authority
 - Valid IFTA
 - Valid IRP
 - High Safety Ratings
 - Vehicle or Drivers placed OOS recently
 - Current and Past Inspections



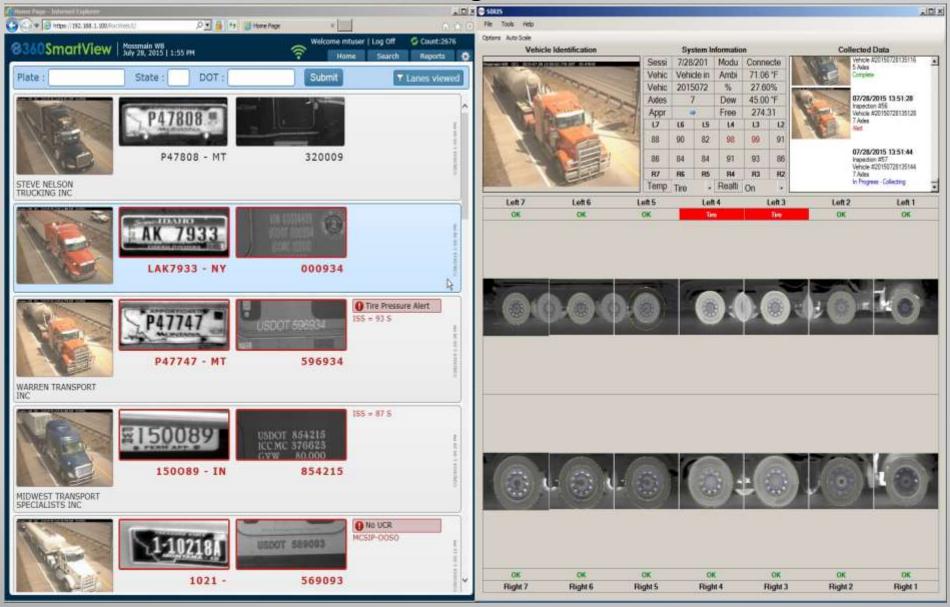




Hardware Installation



Computer Screen Display Inside Weigh Station



Obstacles

- Interpretation of information returned
 - Brake, tire and hub alerts are showing because one or more of the brakes, tires or hubs have temperatures outside the average
 - Does not necessarily mean that there is a problem
 - Does not always show when there are problems
- Misreading of information
 - System will return incorrect information or will not return any information at all

Successes

- To be used as a Screening Tool to help select which vehicles to conduct further investigation or inspections
 - Inspectors must have the right mindset that it is a tool to use and is prone to mistakes but that ultimately it will help them decide what trucks to inspect
- Officers who utilize the system more frequently are finding more violations during Level 1 or 2 inspections and have higher quality inspections