

Autonomous TMA Truck (ATMA)

CDOT Evaluation and Performance Verification



Developed By



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Project Vision



- Remove driver from TMA truck
- Decrease risk of operations
- Increase efficiency of operations
- Pursue cutting-edge technology to improve highway management



How it Works



- ATMA will autonomously follow a leader vehicle
 - Leader transmits high-accuracy position, speed, heading
 - Follower matches leader's movements using steering, throttle, brake actuators
- Front mounted radar on follower provides obstacle detection
 - Only reacts to obstacles in the path between leader and follower
 - Emergency stops upon obstacle detection



Results



- Lane accuracy within +/- 4 in
- Gap distance much more consistent than human driver
- Accurate following in cornering and slalom setups
- Performed turns as tight as 45 ft radius
- Identified software and hardware changes to be made
 - CDOT's production model will address issues found in evaluation of prototype
 - Further suggested modifications will be implemented in future