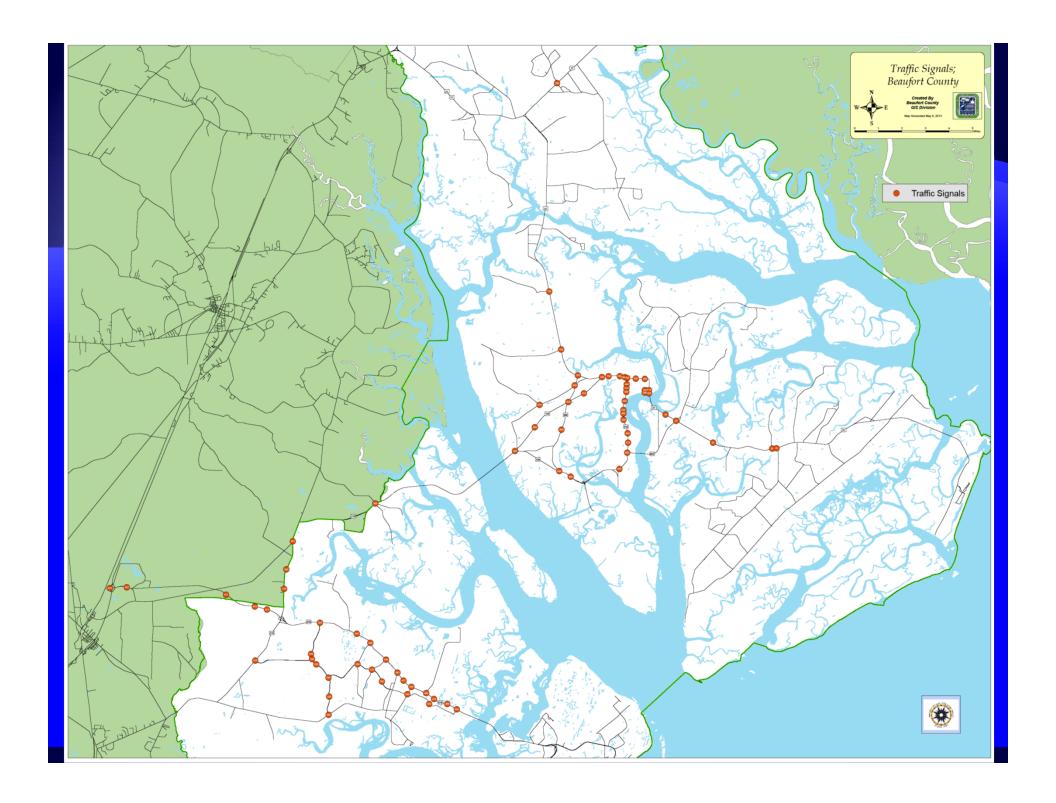
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Beaufort ITS History

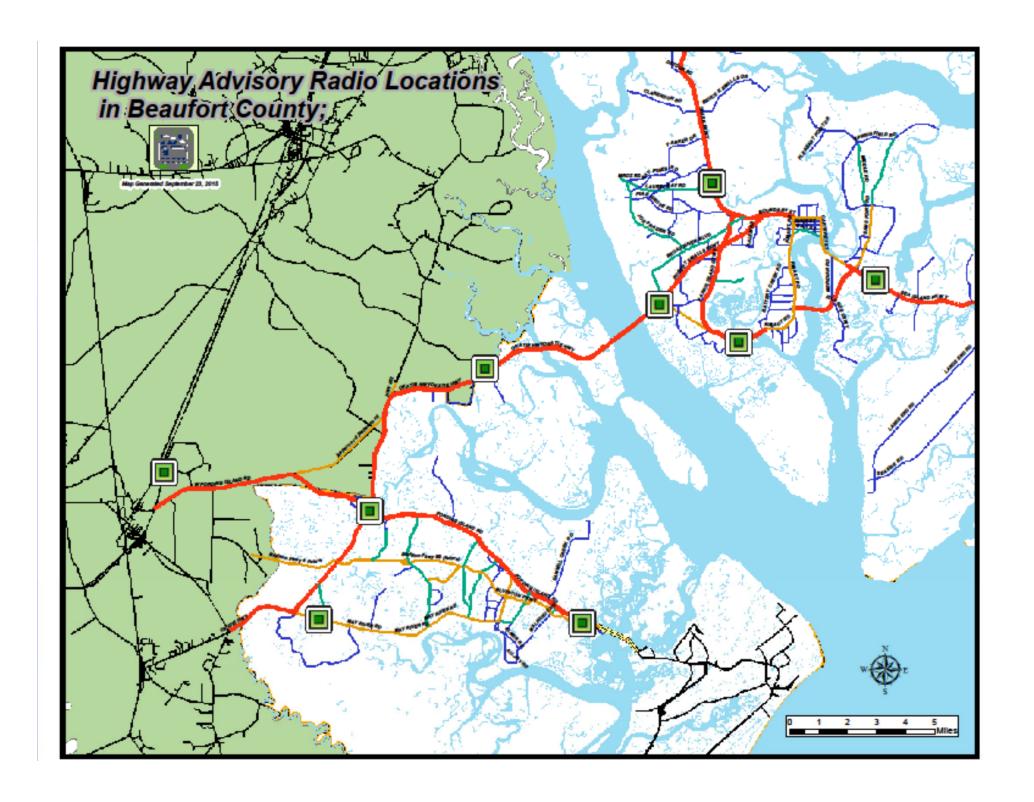
- 1999: Hurricane Floyd
- **•** 2002:
 - Widening SC 170 Connecting Northern and Southern Areas of the County
 - Collaboration Between County, Emergency Management,
 Sheriff and SCDOT
 - Initial Deployment of 8 PTZ Cameras
- 2005: Beaufort County Traffic Engineering Dept.
 - 40 Traffic Signals (170 Controllers)
 - 2 Coordinated Systems

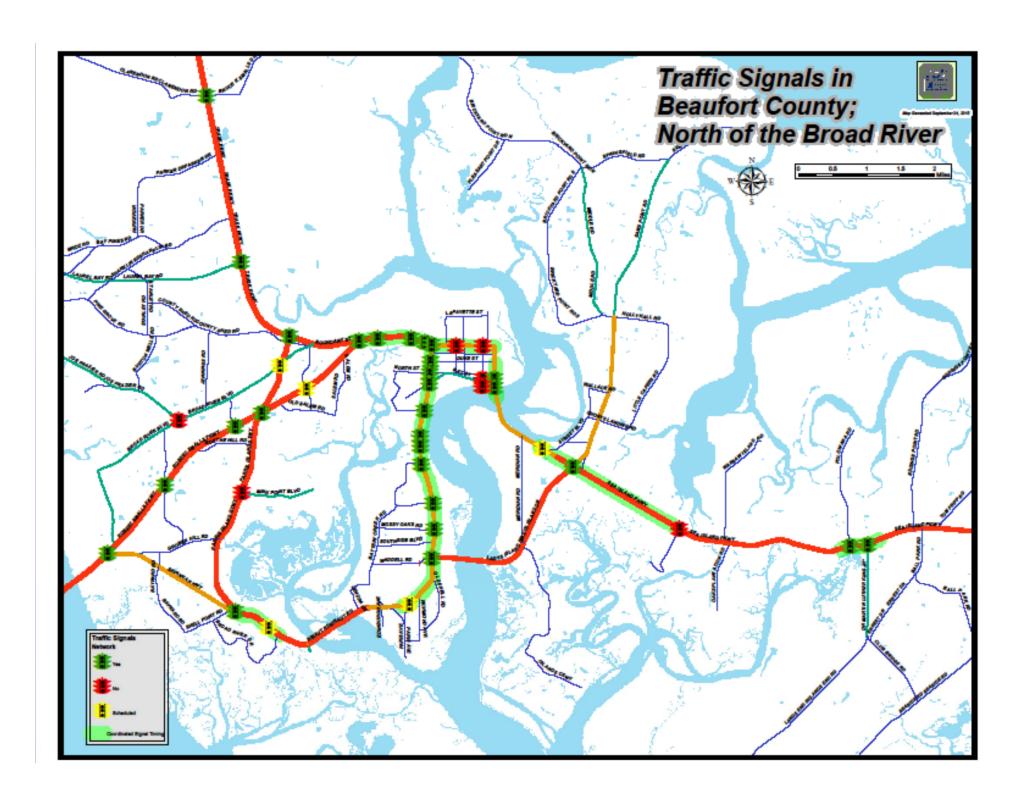
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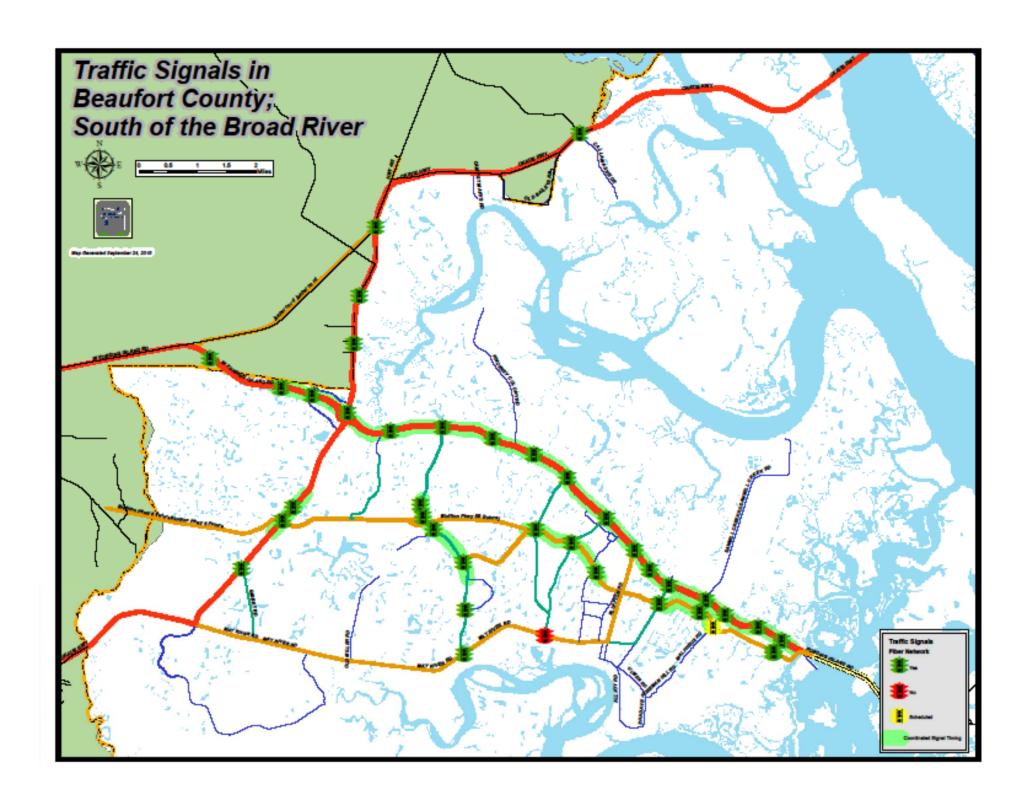
- 2008: ITS Deployment Plan and Architecture for Beaufort County
- Traffic Responsive Operation for US 278 to HHI
- Summer and Weekend Timing Plans
- Special Shopping Plans for Thanksgiving
- Two Evacuation Plans (Pre Evacuation at 360 sec. and Mandatory Evacuation at 480 sec.)
- Monthly Coordination Meetings between Emergency Management and Traffic Engineering

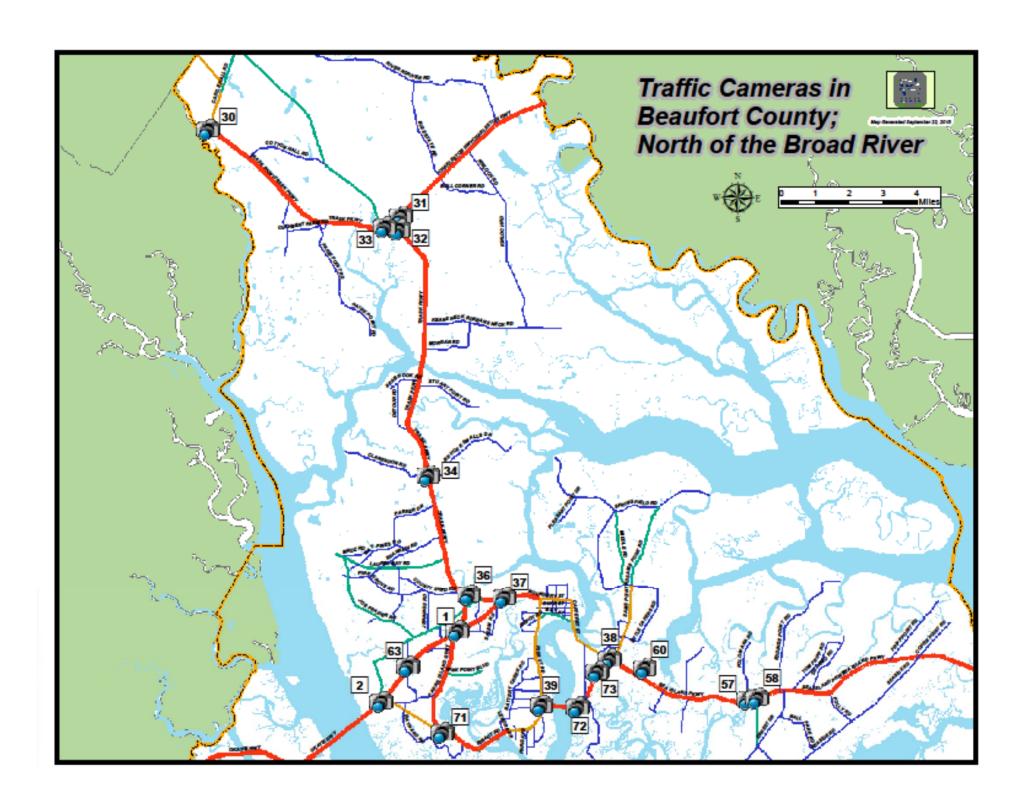
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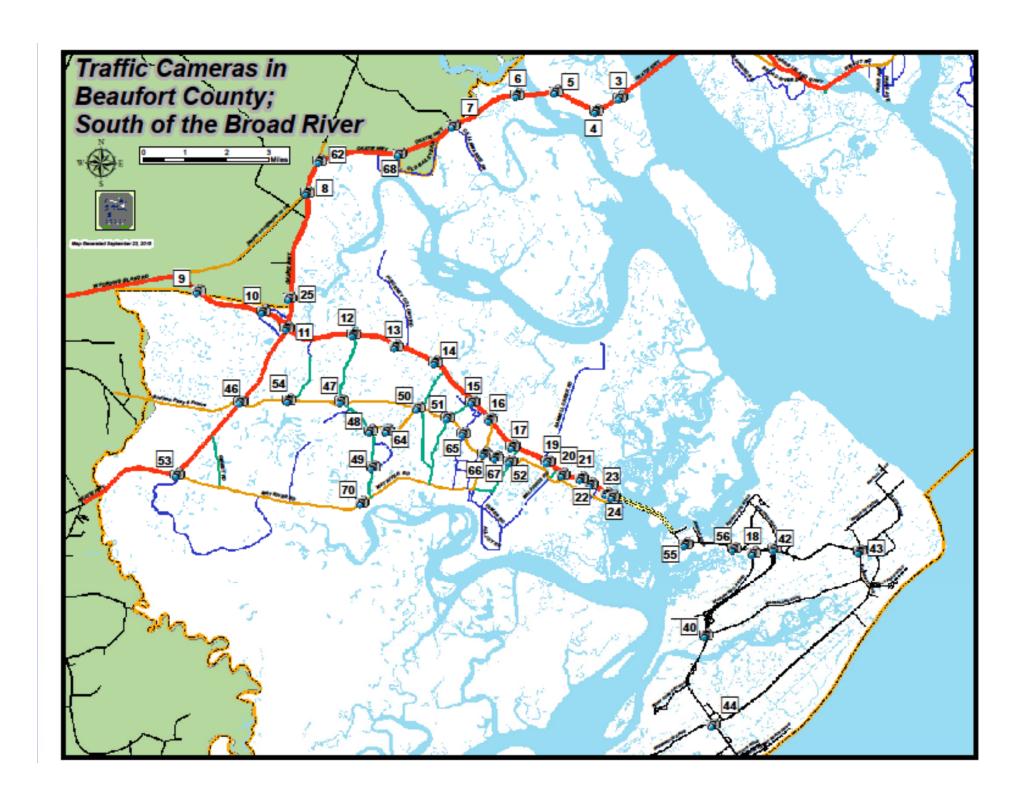
- 80+ Traffic Signals (85 Percent on Network)
- 85 PTZ Cameras
- 9 Fixed HAR Sites
- 2 Mobile HAR's
- 7 Mobile DMS Boards
- 8 Coordinated Corridors
- 1 Traffic Responsive Corridor
- Countywide Traffic Data Collection System

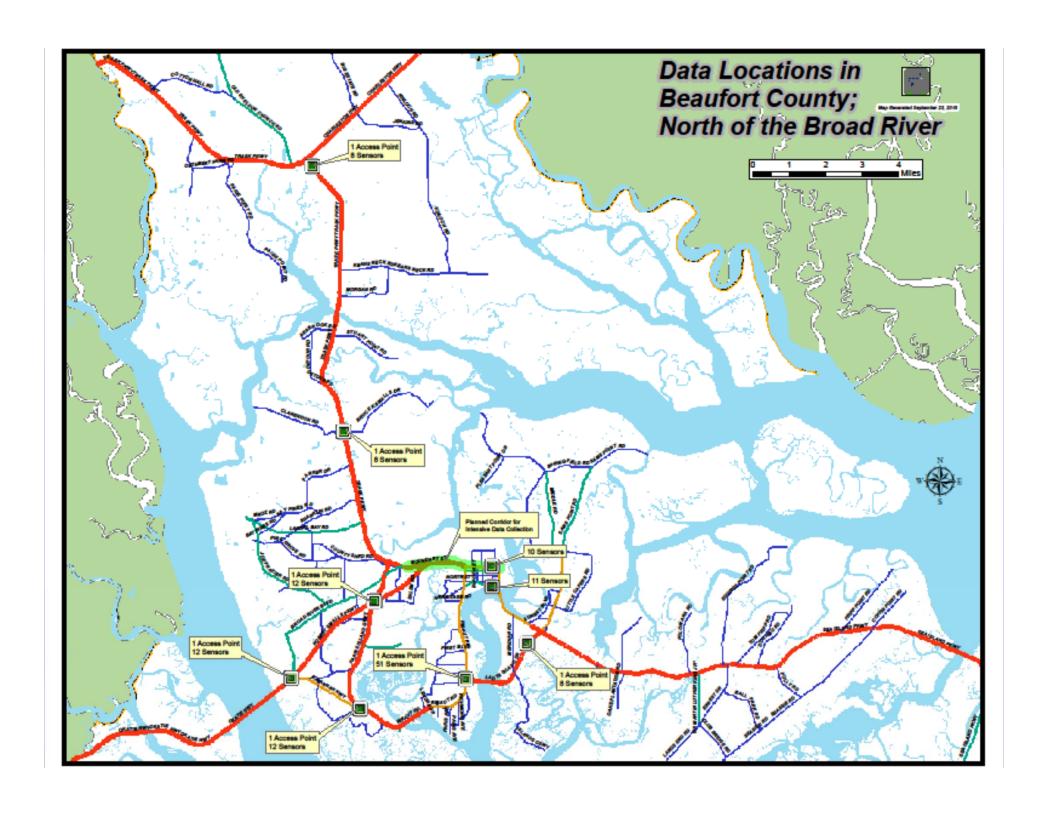


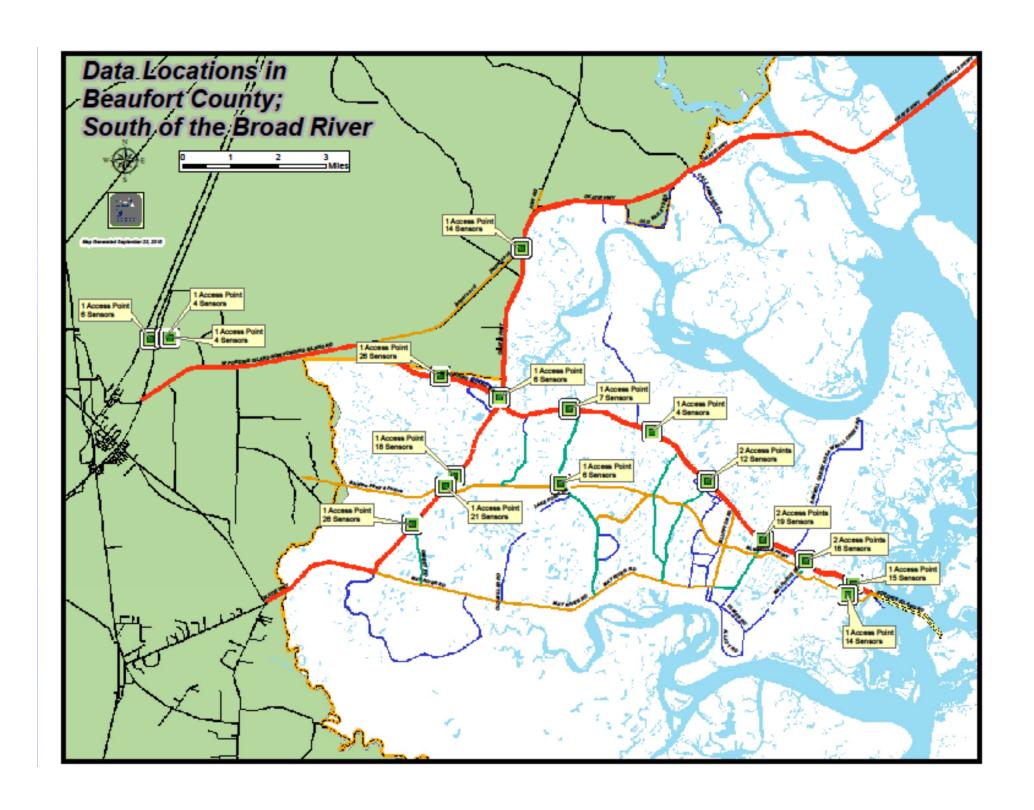












ITS Technologies In Place

- Traffic Signal Coordination
- Emergency Vehicle Pre-emption
- Highway Advisory Radio
- Traffic Management Center (TMC)
- Traffic Cameras (PTZ Cameras)
- Fiber Optic Cable and Wireless Hotspots
- Mobile Dynamic Message Signs
- Web Access and Traveler Information
- Automated Vehicle Locator for County Vehicles
- Traffic Detectors
- Hurricane Evacuation Planning

Overview of Beaufort County Signal Operations

- Partnership with IT Division, SCDOT, City of Beaufort, Town of Hilton Head Island and Emergency Management Division
- 80+ Existing Traffic Signals
- Southern Beaufort County: 90% Networked
- Northern Beaufort County: 75% Networked
- Emergency Generator Switches
- Pedestrian Signal Upgrades
- Emergency Vehicle Preemption:
 - 37/38 Signals in Southern Beaufort County
 - SC 170 Corridor (Boundary St to US 278)

Future

- Boundary Street Streetscape Project
 - 7 Signals (5 Existing, 2 New)
 - Traffic Adaptive
 - Traffic Data Collection/Instrumentation (Automated TMCs, O-D, AADT) via 290+ Pavement Sensors
- Digital Upgrades to PTZ Cameras
- Battery Backup for Traffic Signals
- Traffic Signals (7 New Locations, 3 Upgrades)
- Communication via PTP and PTMP Radio or Cellular Modem
- Downtown Bridge ITS (Travel Time and Delay Management)

Lessons Learned

- Keep Costs Down: Networking
 - Leased Fiber
 - IP Radio
 - Cellular Modem
- Importance of Good GIS Data
- Data Management
- Coordination and Communication
 - Departmental
 - Agencies
- Resistance to Change
- Simplify System Management

Points to Remember

- Budget for Maintenance and Training
 - Nothing is "Maintenance Free"
- Develop a Plan and Keep Your Eyes on the Road
- Gather the Right Data at the Right Time
- Share with Others
- Don't Smell the Roses

Should I get new Floorboards?



