



[FCC approves 17 C-V2X waivers](#)

On August 16, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) sent a letter approving waiver requests from 17 applicants. These [applicants](#) – including state DOTs from Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Maryland, Michigan, Oregon, and Texas, among others – had applied for waivers individually. The waiver approvals are in addition to [previous FCC approvals](#) that were granted in April.

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[Mercedes-Benz helps Boston identify damaged road surfaces](#)

The City of Boston is teaming up with Mercedes-Benz to crowdsource roadway surface condition data collection. Participating vehicles will identify when they travel over damaged roads, then send this data via vehicle-to-infrastructure (V2I) communication to the City of Boston's [Analytics Team](#). This data will be aggregated and compared with other sources, such as constituent complaints as well as on-site inspections, to help identify and prioritize road maintenance.



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California agency to investigate connected vehicle data privacy

The California Privacy Protection Agency (CPPA) is [investigating](#) the data retention policies and practices of connected vehicle (CV) manufacturers. The CPPA's review is to verify that [companies collecting vehicle data](#) are complying with the California Consumer Privacy Act (CCPA). The CCPA gives individuals in the state the right to know what is being collected, the right to delete that information, and the right to stop the data's sharing or sale.



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CVs can potentially help prevent crashes by identifying dangerous roads

Research from the RAC Foundation suggests that data collected from CVs can help locate dangerous road conditions and warn other drivers, possibly reducing crashes. CVs can [collect vehicle data](#) on actions such as sudden vehicle braking, swerving, activation of traction control, and other vehicle dynamics. Aggregating this data could help roadway engineers identify segments that present safety concerns that require redesign.



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