Evolution of GPS Plow Tracking in the MOA

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Who we are

Staff of 4 within the Department of Community Development

Implement and maintain MOA's Enterprise GIS deployment

Data design, PDF map automation, web maps/apps/dashboards, Field Maps

- Connect staff with training resources
- We try not to edit anyone's data!
- https://www.muni.org/





Common Terms

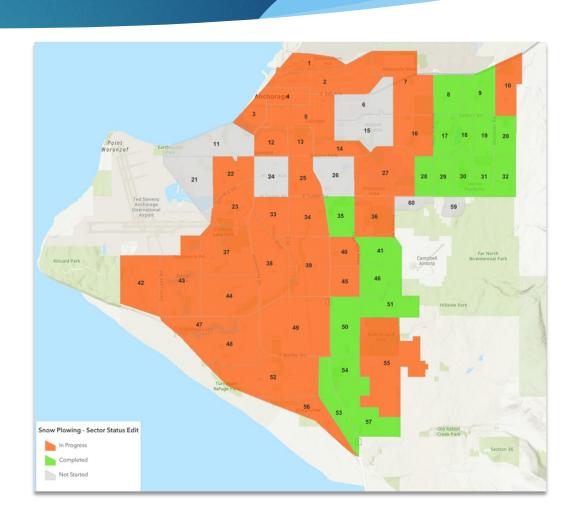
Feed-Data coming through a real time feed

Real Time Analytic-Processing and analyzing data from a feed as it's collected.

Big Data Analytic-Batch processing and analysis of data that summarizes data, enriches data and recognizes data patterns

Previous Tracking

- Manual! (Updates are limited)
- ▶ Public could see:
 - Sectors (residential plowing status)
 - Status of sidewalks
 - Updated manually



Advantages of Tracking Plows with GPS

- Little user input needed
- Updated in real time
- Allows the public to see where plowing action is occurring
- Allows drivers to focus on driving







Installing Gateways and Getting Data Feed

- Worked with Samsara
- We track speed and location
 - Not tracking blade up/down
- Installed gateways on 47 vehicles
 - 4 Trackless (Parks and Rec)
 - ▶ 13 Trackless (Street Maintenance)
 - 30 CAT Graders (Street Maintenance)

Esri's Winter Weather Solution

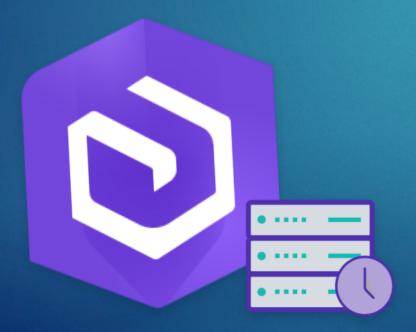
- Used to help us start the process
- Contains premade:
 - Maps
 - Apps
 - Dashboards
 - Analytics
- Needed to customize products to fit organizational needs



Velocity VS. GeoEvent Server

ArcGIS GeoEvent Server

- ► Installed on-prem
- Maintenance/updates done by us



ArcGIS Velocity

- ► In AGOL environment (AWS)
- Maintenance done by Esri
- Big Data Analytic capabilities



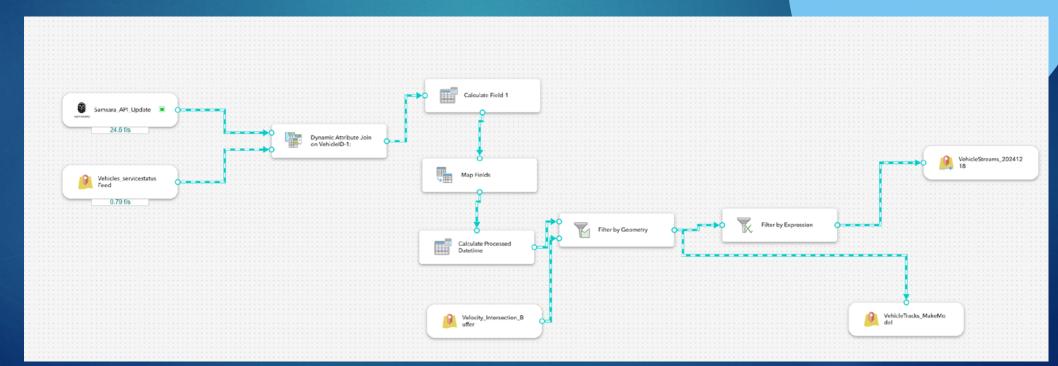
Data Prep

- Connecting Samsara feed with Esri Velocity
- Preparing layer of sidewalks, streets and trails
 - Unique ID
 - Ownership
 - Type
 - Maintained by
 - Sector
- ▶ Tools in velocity helped but manual touch ups were still needed



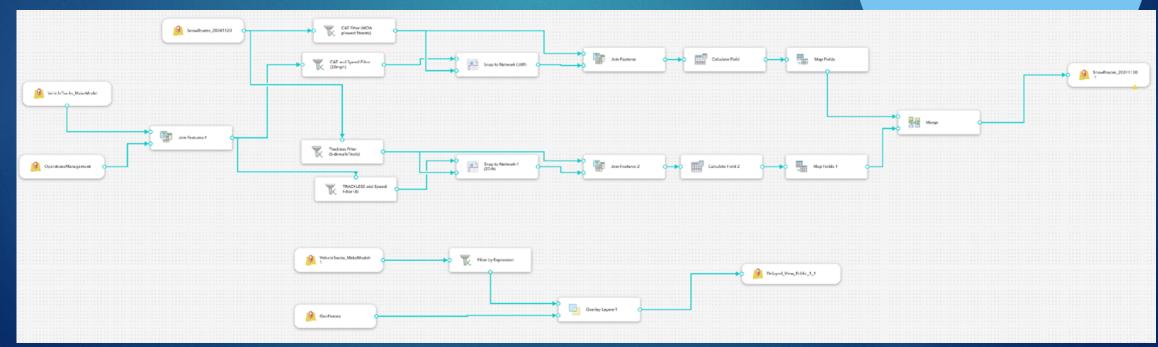
ArcGIS Velocity Real Time Analytic

- Determines if vehicles are active
- Filters out vehicle locations when in intersections
- Creates tracks of vehicle locations (i.e. breadcrumbs)



ArcGIS Velocity Big Data Analytic

- Changes plow status of roads automatically
- Makes sure logic is being met
 - Comparing event type, vehicle location, vehicle type, segment type, ownership



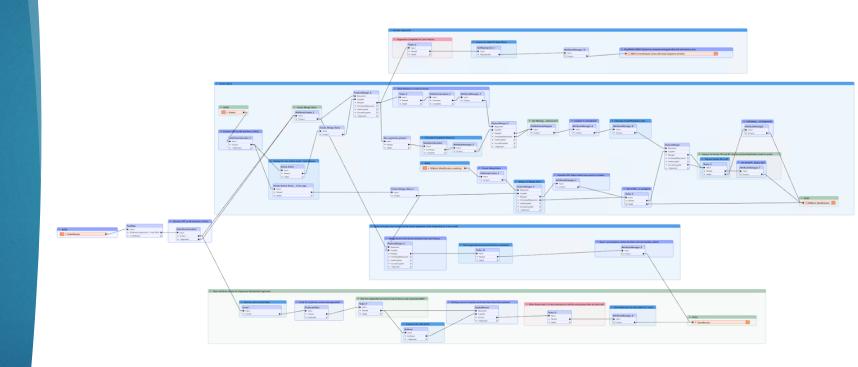
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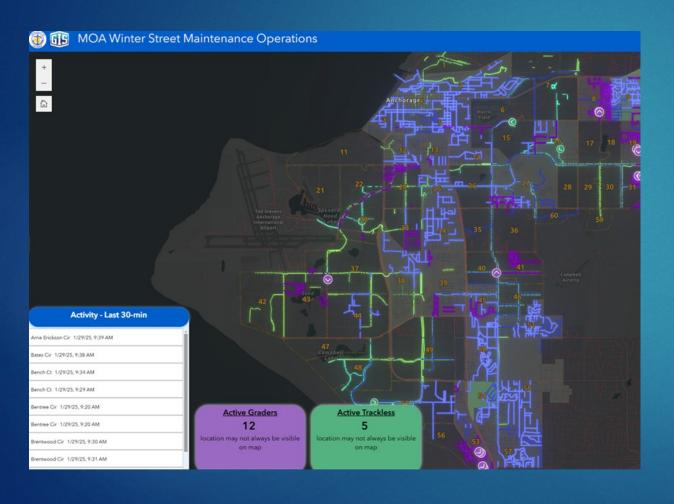
- Can access AGOL data
- ► Runs on a schedule
- Fixes potential mistags
 - Heading error
 - Speed parameter
 - ▶ Fly-by error

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- Resets plow status when new event is started
- Calculate sector's residential plow status
- Create an archive of completed segments
- Calculate event stats
 - Duration of event
 - Distance plowed during event



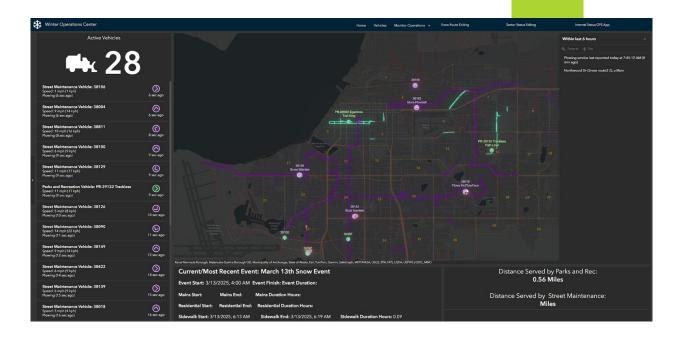
Public apps

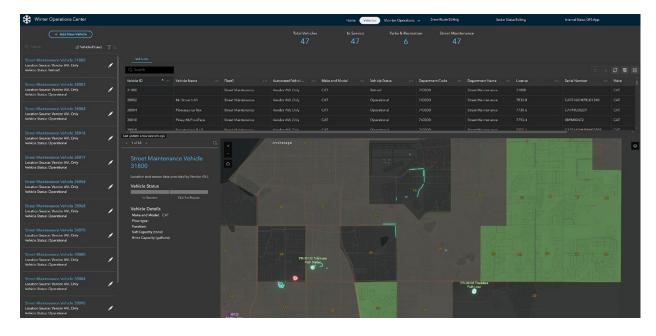


- Delayed by 15 minutes
- Shows when segments were last serviced
- Shows plow status of sectors
- Shows delayed location of active plows

Internal Apps

- Track plowing operations in real time
- Create/change a plow event
- Mark vehicles as out of service
- Mark sectors as delayed
- Change street plowing segment's status manually if needed







Thank You!