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Smart motorway action plan second year progress report published - RAC reaction

Reacting to the <u>publication of the second year progress report following the</u> <u>smart motorways stocktake and action plan</u> announced in 2020, RAC head of roads policy Nicholas Lyes said:

"While good progress is being made in upgrading existing smart motorways by installing stopped vehicle detection technology and more refuge area signage, the key question is whether these changes are enough to reassure drivers, many of whom firmly believe that removing the hard shoulder compromises safety. While the Government is keen to point out that all-lanerunning smart motorways tend to have a better overall safety record than conventional motorways, the safety comparisons with other types of smart motorways are less impressive."

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