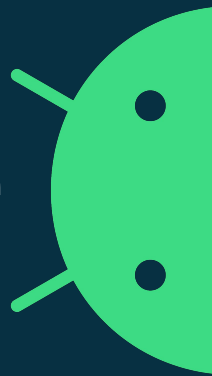


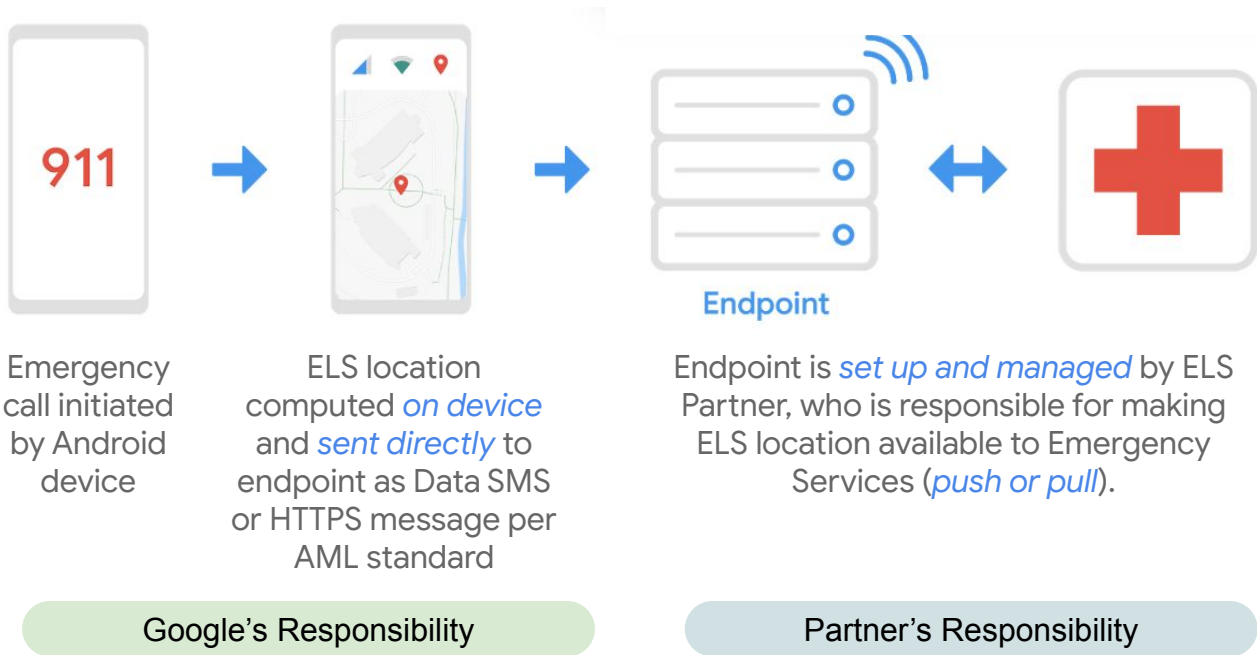
# Android Emergency Location Service



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# Android Emergency Location Service (ELS)

ELS is a supplemental service that sends enhanced location directly from Android handsets to emergency services when an emergency call/text is placed.



# Fused Location Provider Computes ELS Location

FLP combines GNSS, cell, WiFi location technologies, and device sensors to derive highly accurate indoor and outdoor location. FLP is:

- Fast -- almost instant on, with quick location updates when a user moves
- Used by 1 in 3 apps in Google Play Store



# ELS Offers Key Benefits

- Seamless global solution, regularly updated and widely available
  - Supported in ~99% of Android devices with Google Play Services (Android OS 4.3 and higher)
  - No special hardware/app/user action required
- Google does not receive or store PII
  - Only activates when user calls/texts an emergency number
  - Location calculated on-device and delivered to an ELS Endpoint that makes location available to public safety
    - Google does not see ELS location
- Free and easy
  - Flexible & highly configurable for partners
  - Easy to integrate with emergency services infrastructure
  - No cost to partners

# ELS Already Operates at Scale

- Enabled in 24 countries, including in the U.S.
- Covers 800M+ in population
- 2.5M+ emergency calls daily
- Provides emergency text messages in 10 countries



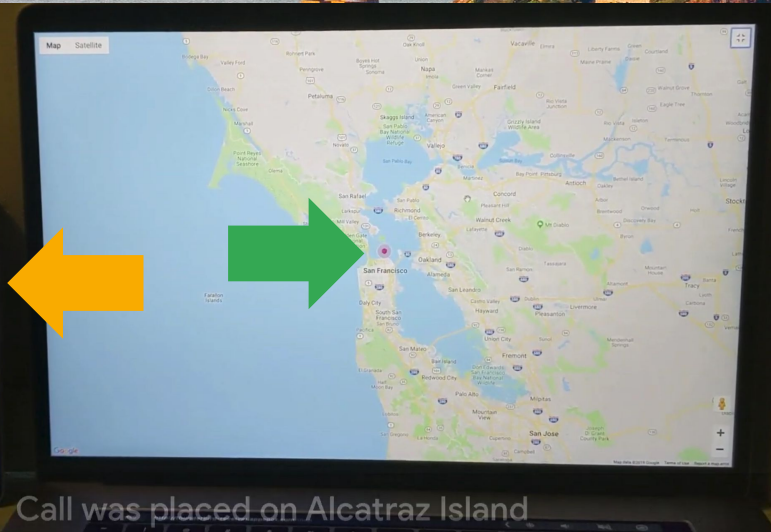
# PSAPs Receive Actionable Indoor Location

- ELS outputs today X, Y, and Z for both outdoor **and indoor environments**
  - Z available but not used by PSAPs/ECCs
- Currently being tested in CTIA's Stage-Za Test Bed

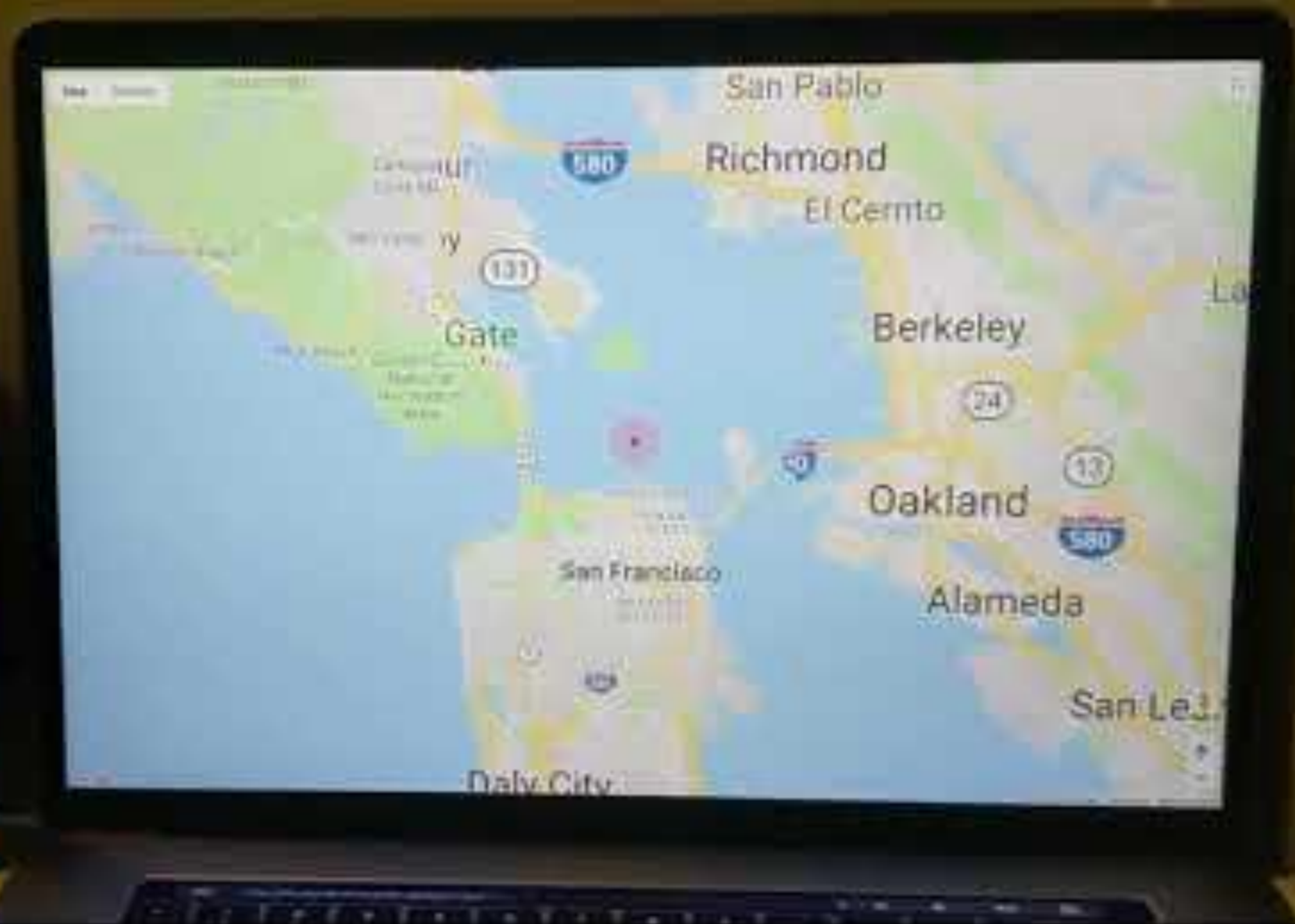




# Emergency 911 call made from Alcatraz Island



Call was placed on Alcatraz Island

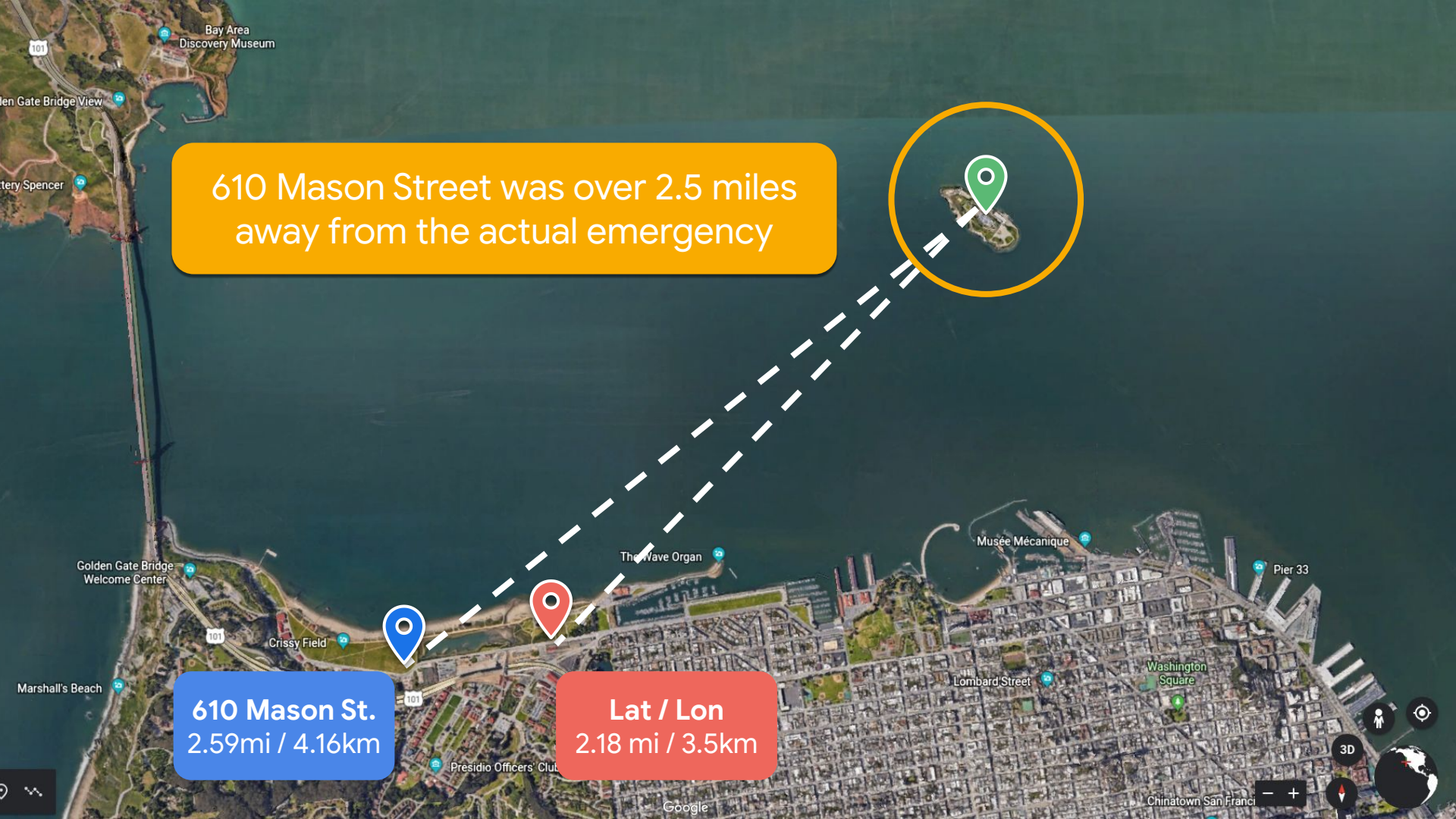


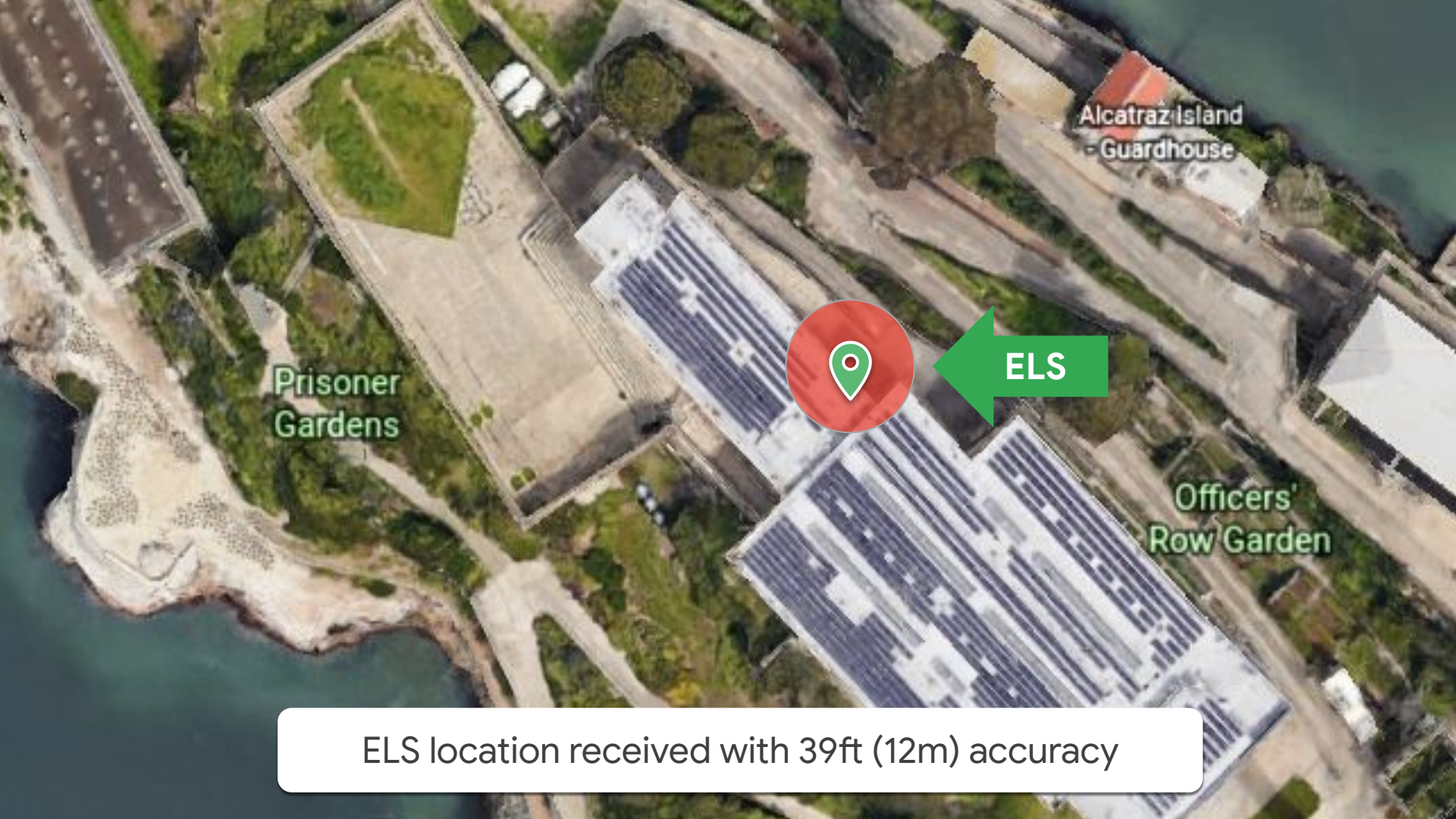


610 Mason Street was over 2.5 miles  
away from the actual emergency

**610 Mason St.**  
2.59mi / 4.16km

**Lat / Lon**  
2.18 mi / 3.5km





Alcatraz Island  
- Guardhouse

Prisoner  
Gardens

ELS

Officers'  
Row Garden

ELS location received with 39ft (12m) accuracy

# Enhance the Rule With Floor Estimates

- Floor level estimates may become feasible for some technologies; the Rule should encourage—not block—this innovation
- First responders would benefit from an **optional alternative** of providing/receiving floor estimates
  - **FROM:**
    - Adopt a z-axis accuracy metric of +/- 3 meters for 80 percent of wireless E911 calls from z-axis capable handsets
  - **TO:**
    - Adopt a z-axis accuracy metric of +/- 3 meters **or +/- 1 floor** for 80 percent of wireless E911 calls from z-axis capable handsets

# A Floor-Level Alternative Achieves FCC Policy Goals

- Speeds availability of usable vertical location information for first responders
  - Avoids dependence on new field technologies
- Technologically neutral
  - Solutions that provide floor information if they don't also provide elevations within +/- 3m can meet the standard
  - Leaves door open to innovation
- Efficient, Scalable, Actionable
  - Scales beyond 25/50 top CMAs
  - No additional demand on phone resources