

Smarter Work Zones Webinar Series

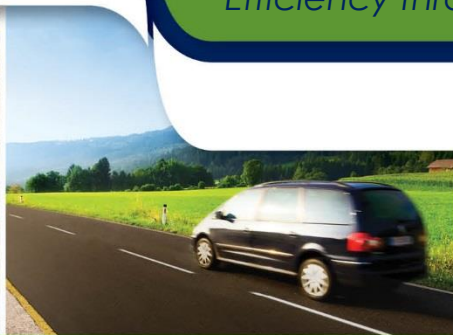
Webinar #15: Work Zone Impacts and Strategies Estimator (WISE) Software Pilot Sites

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INTRODUCTION AND TODAY'S SPEAKERS



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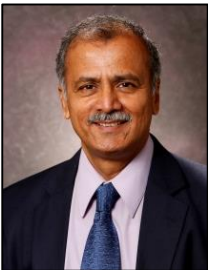
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WISE SOFTWARE AND PROJECT COORDINATION OVERVIEW



Webinar Overview

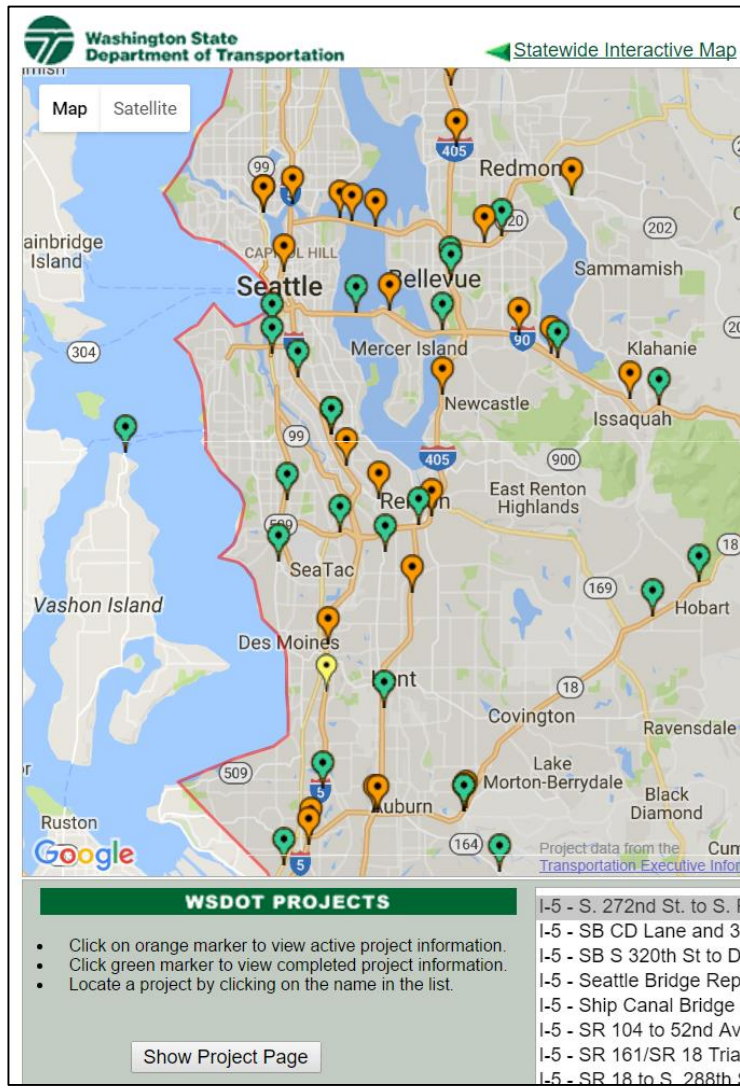
- Work Zone Traffic Analysis
- SHRP2 Summary
- Origins of the WISE Tool
- Status of WISE Implementation



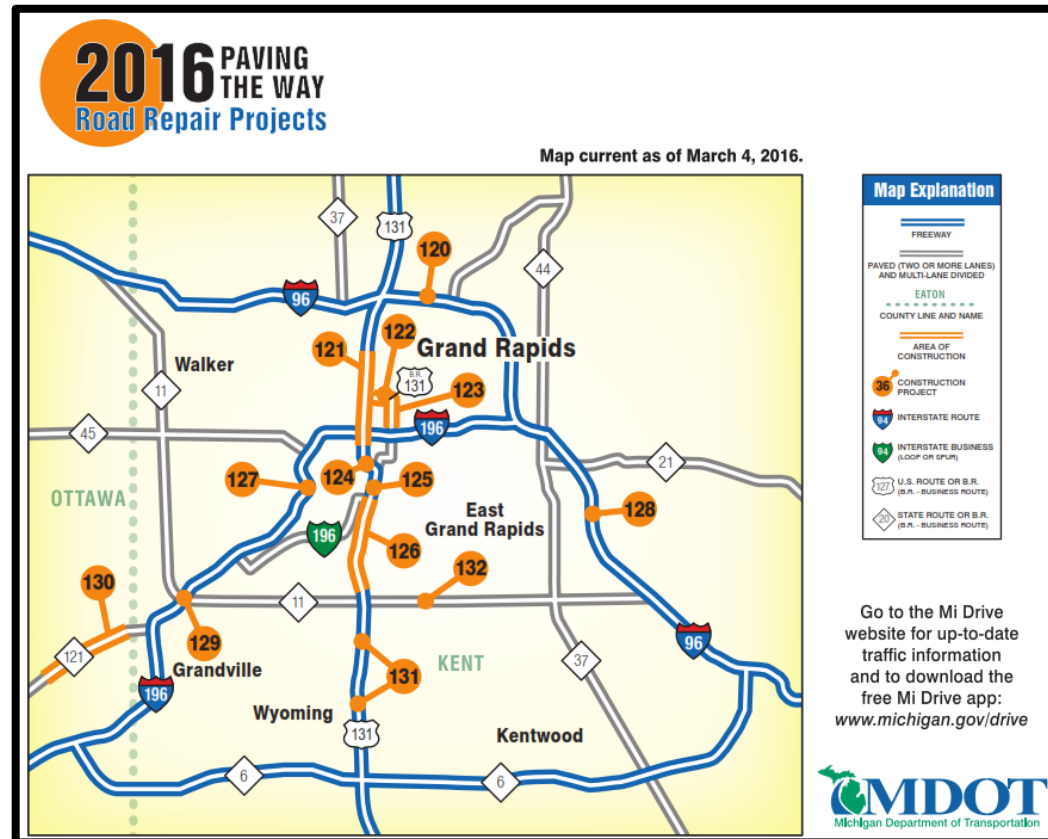
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How Travelers Experience Work Zones



Source: Washington State DOT



Source: Michigan DOT



The Work Zone Management Program Context

- Increasing number & impacts of work zones
 - Need for corridor or network-level planning
 - Work Zone Safety & Mobility Rule (2004)
 - State-level work zone safety and mobility
 - Work Zone Delay Policy
 - Processes & Procedures
 - Work Zone Impacts Assessment & Management
- ...Project-specific Work Zone Transportation Management Plans
- Transportation Management Planning

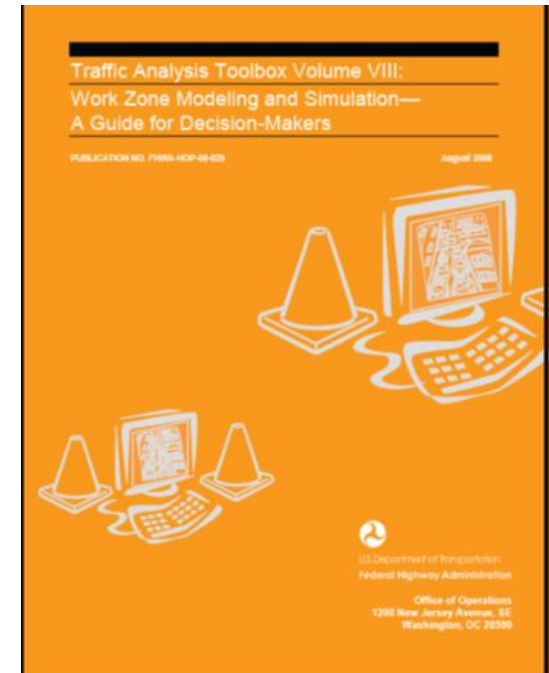


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FHWA Work Zone Traffic Analysis Tools Guidance

- **Vol. VIII for Decision-Makers**
 - Guidance for engineers & reviewers
 - “Decision-Making Engine”
 - Selecting correct tools
- **Vol. IX for Analysts**
 - Guidance for analysts
 - Case studies
- **Vol. XII “Decision Framework”**
 - Maintenance of Traffic Alternatives Analysis (MOTAA)
 - Modeling tool selection framework
 - Model development and application process
 - Detailed case studies



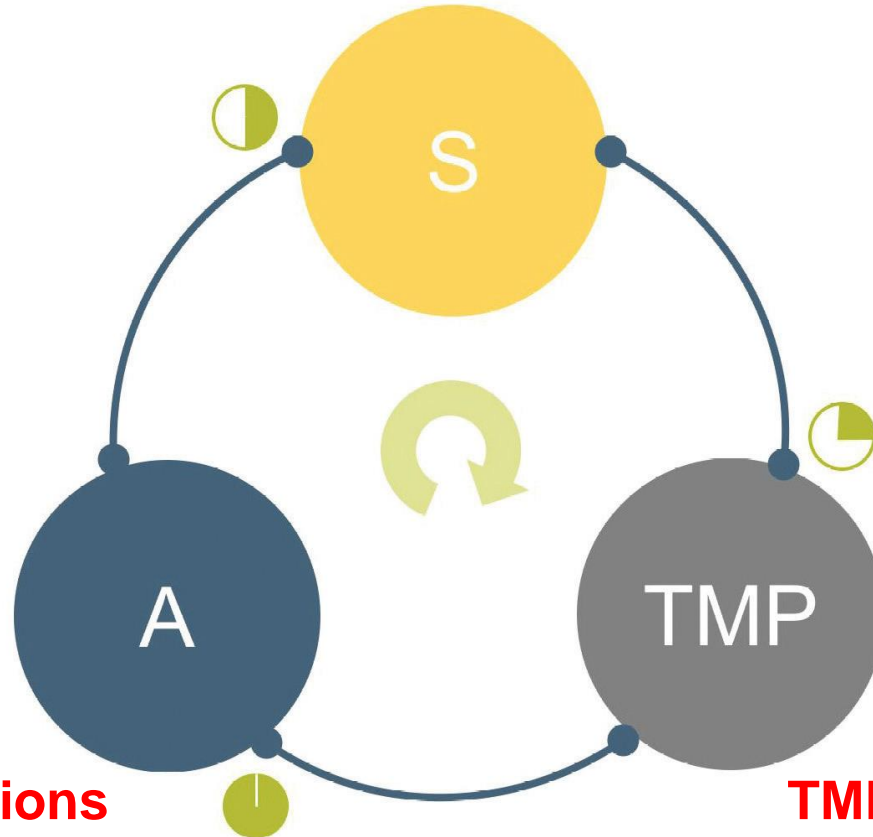
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<http://ops.fhwa.dot.gov/trafficanalysisitools/index.htm>



Work Zone Management Decision-Making Engine

Scheduling Decisions



**Application Decisions
(Construction Techniques)**

**TMP Decisions
(Traffic Accommodation)**



Strategic Highway Research Program Focus Areas



Safety: fostering safer driving through analysis of driver, roadway, and vehicle factors in crashes, near crashes, and ordinary driving



Reliability: reducing congestion and creating more predictable travel times through better operations



Capacity: planning and designing a highway system that offers minimum disruption and meets the environmental and economic needs of the community



Renewal: rapid maintenance and repair of the deteriorating infrastructure using already-available resources, innovations, and technologies



The Seven Causes of Unreliability

The Reliability Focus Area research has attributed variability in travel time to seven primary causes:

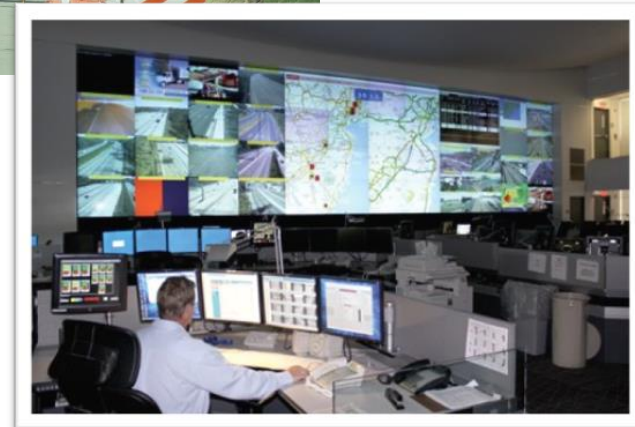
1. Incidents
2. Weather
3. Work zones
4. Fluctuations in demand
5. Special events
6. Traffic devices (Signals)
7. Inadequate base capacity



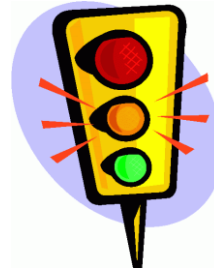
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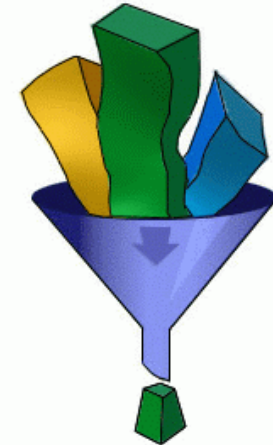
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Reliability Product “Bundles”



**Advanced Operations
Strategies**



**Reliability Analysis Tools
(TSMO Decision Support)**



**TSMO Organizational
Capabilities**



**National TSMO
Community**



Source: All images from Google

R11: Strategic Approaches at the Corridor and Network Levels to Minimize Disruption from the Renewal Process

- Multiple roadwork projects.
- How can they be coordinated to reduce the combined traffic impacts?
- What strategies can help?



Source: FHWA



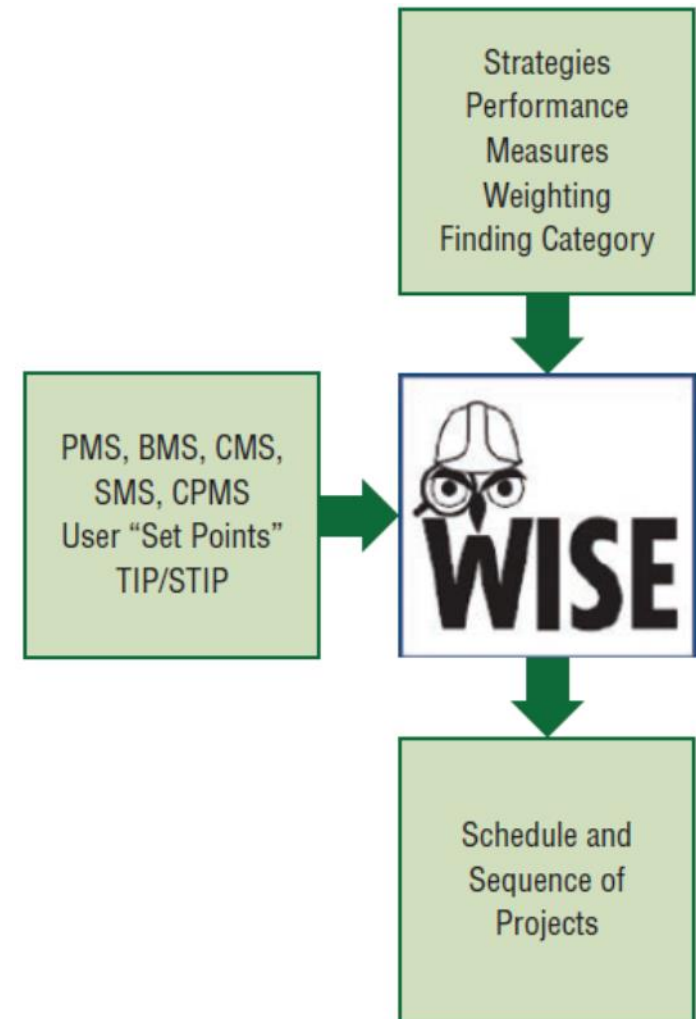
WISE: Work Zone Impacts and Strategies Estimator Software

Solution

- A decision support system for use by planners and engineers.
- Helps them:
 - Evaluate traffic impacts of combinations of work zones
 - Identify best sequencing to manage impacts

Benefits

- Better coordinated and planned work zones.
- Reduced mobility, safety, and economic impacts of highway renewal activities.
- Increased public satisfaction.



Source: FHWA



WISE Implementation Plan

Implementation Plan Goals

1. Software enhancement & readiness
2. Software validation, demonstration, & application
3. Transportation community awareness & use
4. Institutionalization



Source: Google

R11 Implementation Assistance Opportunity

- Identify, assess, address software needs for refinements to address readiness
- Enable and expand software demonstration and application
- Build national work zone traffic analysis knowledge base



WISE SHRP Implementation Assistance Sites



Source: FHWA



What are Smarter Work Zones (SWZ)?

Innovative strategies designed to optimize work zone safety and mobility

- Policies and practices used to incrementally and continuously improve WZ operations
- Tools to reduce WZ crashes and delays
- Tools to enhance WZ management strategies

Smarter Work Zone Initiatives

- Project Coordination
- Technology Applications



Project Coordination Definition and Goals

- Coordination within a **single project and/or among multiple projects** within a **corridor, network, or region** and **possibly across agency jurisdictions** to minimize work zone traffic impacts

Goal 1

By December 2016, 25 State DOTs have incorporated work zone [project coordination strategies](#) into [agency documentation and business processes](#).

Goal 2

By December 2016, 5 State DOTs have volunteered to [pilot the Work Zone Impacts and Strategies Estimator \(WISE\) software](#).



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WISE Software Proof-of-Concept (R11) in Maryland



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Today's Agenda

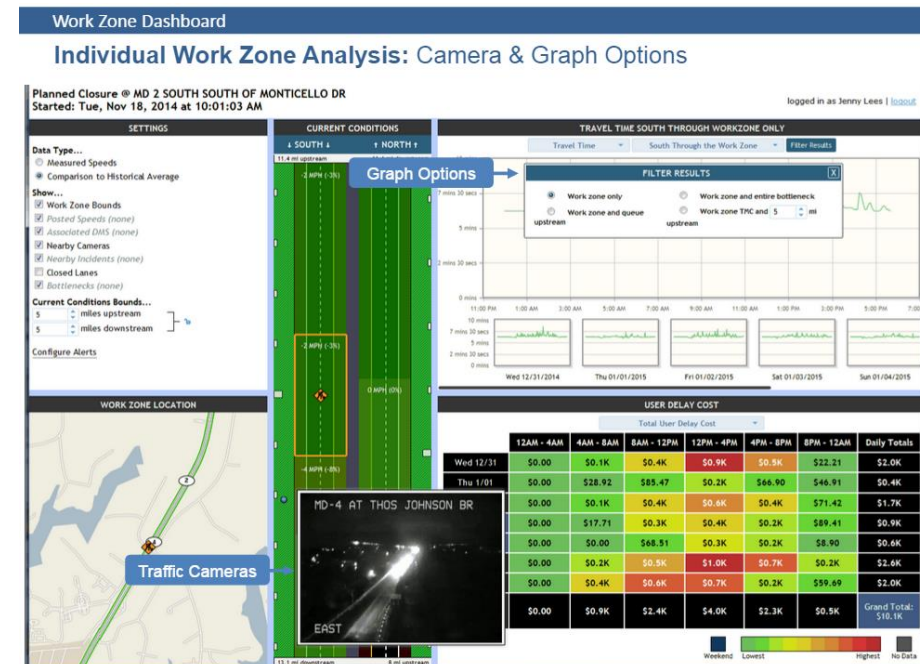
- Background - Maryland/ MATOC Work Zone Planning
- MD R11 Scope of Work & Status
- MD R11 WISE Testing Overview/ Next Steps



Maryland Work Zone Planning Motivation

MDOT State Highway Administration (SHA) TSM&O Plan recognizes **“Work Zone Management”** as a key implementation strategy

- Safety is #1 driver for WZ management with various tools like **Lane Closure Permitting System, WZ Performance Dashboard** etc. supporting agency operations
- **Solid data, analytical and institutional foundation** in place for Smarter Work Zone Initiatives at a **System/Program level**
- WISE Tool Implementation hopes to build a **data driven WZ Planning framework**



Maryland/MATOC WZ Planning

- Partnership of MDOT, VDOT, DDOT, WMATA
- Began in 2009
- Comprised of:
 - Steering Committee
 - Information Systems Committee
 - Operations Subcommittee
 - Severe Weather WG
 - **Regional Construction Coordination WG**



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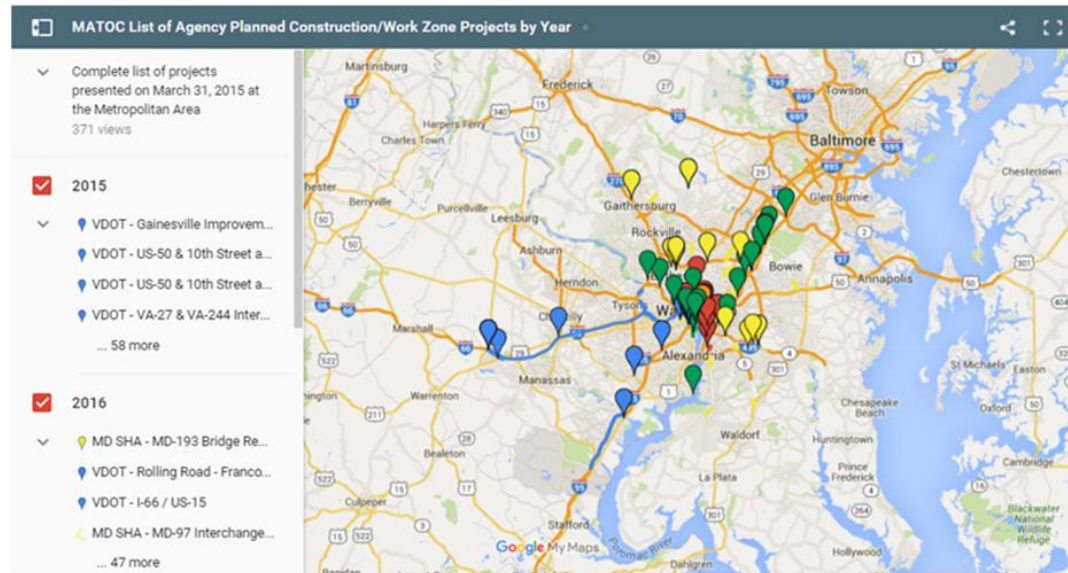
MATOC RCC WG Purpose

- Purpose:
 - *Within NCR, the MATOC Regional Construction Coordination Working Group will Work to:*
 - *Reduce potential for conflicting lane/road closures and special events*
 - *Schedule regular meetings for key personnel to discuss construction related lane closures and special events*
 - *Develop Enhanced Public Information Resources as well as Internal/External WZ Information Dissemination Capabilities*
 - *Share Agency Best Practices (e.g. WZ lane closure permitting systems)*



MATOC RCC WG Construction Coordination

MATOC Agency Construction Projects Map (Under Development)



List of Agency Projects 2015 - 2020 : List of Projects Presented on March 31, 2015.

1/1/2015	7/1/2016	MDOT	US-50 Asphalt Overlay	of Lottsford Vista Rd to Anne Arundel County Line	Asphalt overlay of existing concrete roadway with daytime & nighttime lane closures.
2/28/2015	6/21/2016	VDOT	US-1 & VA-123 Interchange	Prince William County	Widening US-1 from four to six lanes.
3/1/2015	9/21/2018	MDOT	MD-5 Interchange Construction	US-301 to North of MD-373	MD-373 and Brandywine Road Relocated - Phase 2
3/1/2015	5/1/2018	VDOT	VA-27 over VA-110	Arlington County	Modify and repair the VA-27 Bridge over VA-110.
3/21/2015	9/21/2017	VDOT	I-66 and US-15 Interchange Reconstruction	Prince William County	A diverging-diamond interchange (DDI) on US-15 & I-66
4/13/2015	10/1/2015	NPS	National Mall and Memorial Parks - Kutz Bridge Repair and Sidewalk Widening	Independence Avenue Eastbound at Kutz Bridge	Mill and overlay surface, repair expansion joints, bridge piers, railing etc., and widen sidewalk. Construction will begin after Cherry Blossom Festival and work hours outside of peak travel time.
5/1/2015	6/21/2016	MDOT	MD-193 Safety and Resurfacing	MD-193 from Campus Way to US-1	Safety and Resurfacing with daytime and nighttime lane closures
6/1/2015	6/21/2018	MDOT	MD-210 Grade Separated Interchange	MD-210 from I-95/495 Interchange to Livingston Rd/Palmer Rd	Impact to Prince George's County roadways and WMATA bus services. Coordination has occurred with both organizations to minimize impacts during construction.
6/21/2015	6/20/2017	DDOT	Key Bridge	Key Bridge over Potomac River between Rosslyn and Rosslyn	Rehabilitation of the bridge. Off-peak daytime closures to single lanes

Source: MATOC



Lane Closure Permit Program

Preview of Response Plan Items - CHART - Internet Explorer

CHART

[Main Window](#)
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Preview of the Response Plan for Planned Closure @ I-495 WEST BETWEEN KENSINGTON PKWY AND EXIT 33 MD 185 CONNECTICUT AVE

SHA
State Highway Administration

Lane Closure Permit /Schedule Summary

Date Printed : 6/16/2014

Date Submitted : 6/9/2014

Tracking Number : DS-B-MD-2014-2476

Contract Number : A3971A12

Type of Work : Bridge

Reason : Bridge Inspection

Route and Exit Details : I-495 WEST FROM (CO - 538) - KENSINGTON PKWY (I - 495) TO (MD - 185) - CONNECTICUT AVE (I - 495)

County : Montgomery County

Route : I-495

Starting Point : KENSINGTON PKWY

Ending Point : CONNECTICUT AVE

Contact Details

Contact Person : TESFU MEDHIN

Address :

Work Phone : 443-572-5181

Cell Phone :

Call Number :

FAX Number :

Pager :

Permittee Office Contact Details

Permittee Contact Person : Tesfu Medhin

Address : None

Work Phone : 4435725181

Cell Phone :

Call Number : None

FAX Number : None

Pager : None

Permittee Field Contact Details

Permittee Contact Person : Tesfu Medhin

Address : None

Work Phone : 4435725181

Cell Phone :

Call Number : None

FAX Number : None

Pager : None

Coordinate With Contact Details

Contact Person : Joann Moolurkin

Address :

Work Phone :

Cell Phone : 301-513-7315

Call Number :

FAX Number :

Pager :

Lane Closure Description

Requested Date(s) : 6/12/2014-7/12/2014

Closure Days : Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri

Requested Time Period : 09:00 - 15:00

Direction of Closure : WEST

Configuration Description : 2 West Traffic Lanes, with Shoulder.

Closure Description : 2/2 Westbound-Shoulder closed

Response Plan Preview

Source: Maryland SHA

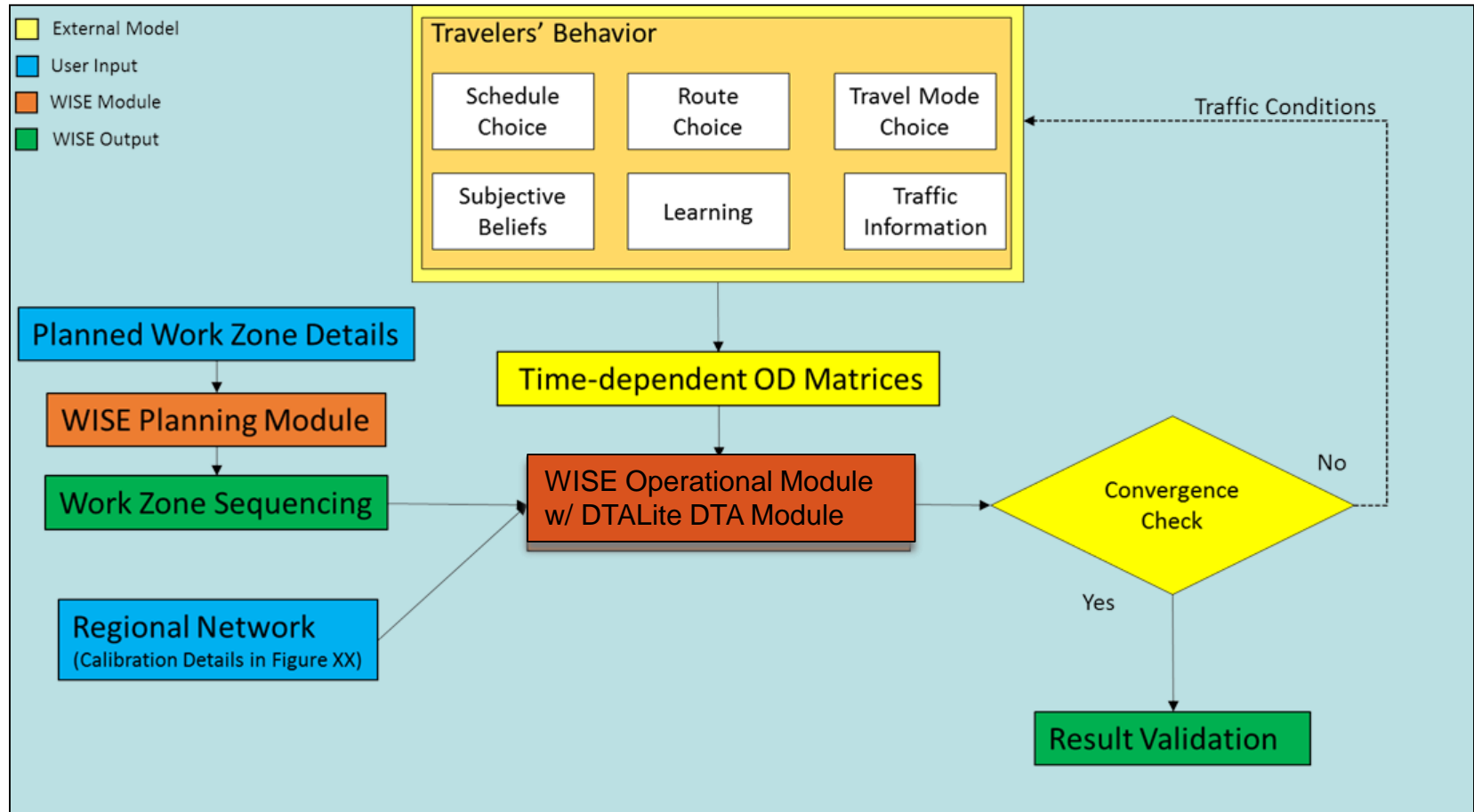


MARYLAND R11 SOW Status

- Task 1 – Develop a calibration/re-calibration module for WISE (underway)
- Task 2 – Prepare list of long term planned work zone projects in the NCR (complete)
- Task 3 – Enhance the user demand and behavior inputs (underway)
- Task 4 – Validation
- Task 5 – Final Report



MARYLAND R11 – WISE Testing Overview



Source: Maryland SHA



MARYLAND R11 Next Steps

» Technical

- Model Calibration
- Interface Development
- Scenario/ Sensitivity Testing

» Institutional

- Making a business case for WISE Tool
 - Programmatic (across agencies/ asset/ funding categories)
 - Area wide/ Corridor Specific
- Coordination and Communication

» Performance Management

- TSM&O
- FAST Act/ MAP-21/ MDOT Excellerator



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METROPLAN ORLANDO: SHRP2 WISE IMPLEMENTATION



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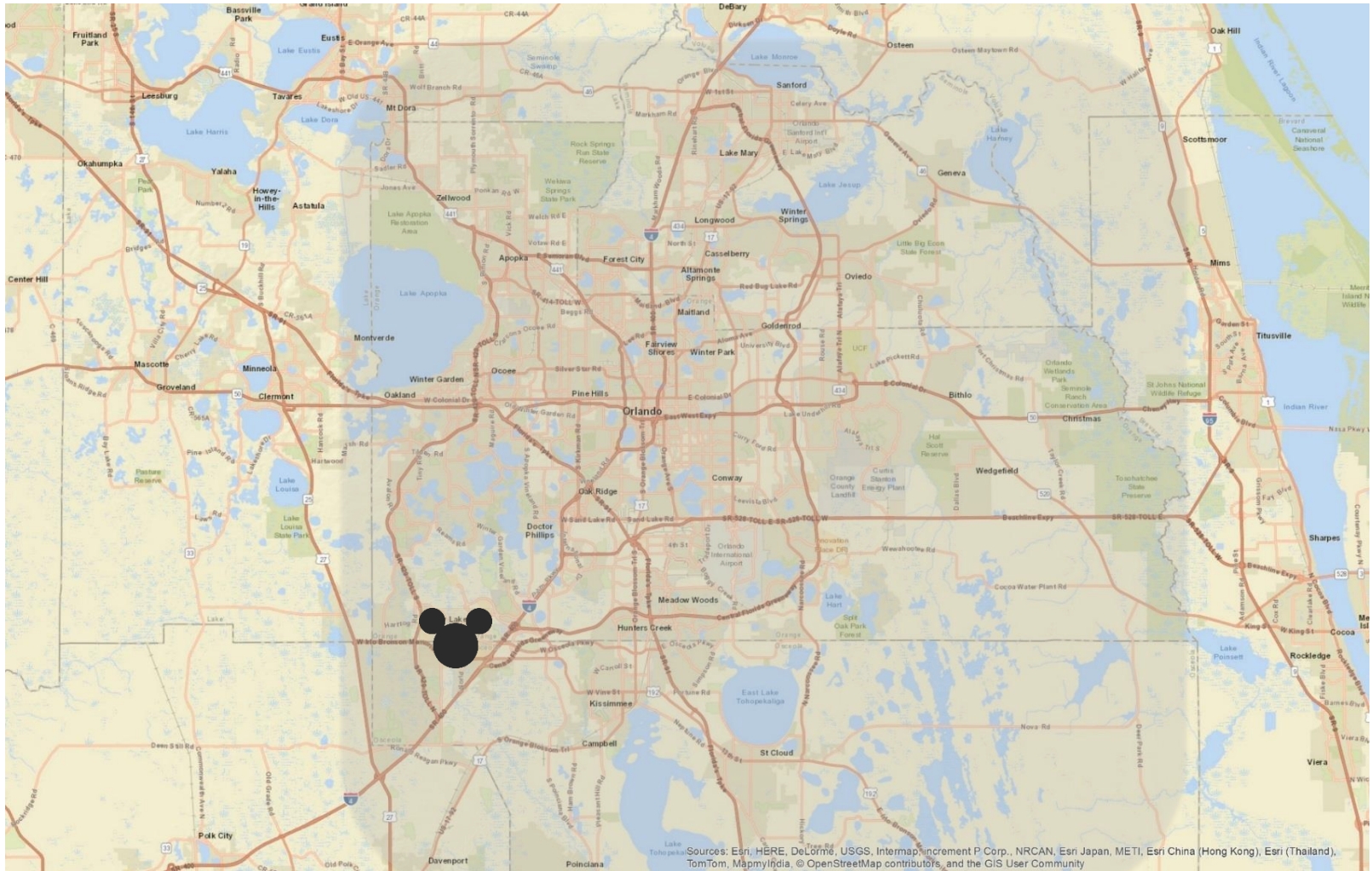
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MetroPlan Orlando Planning Area



Source: MetroPlan Orlando/Google





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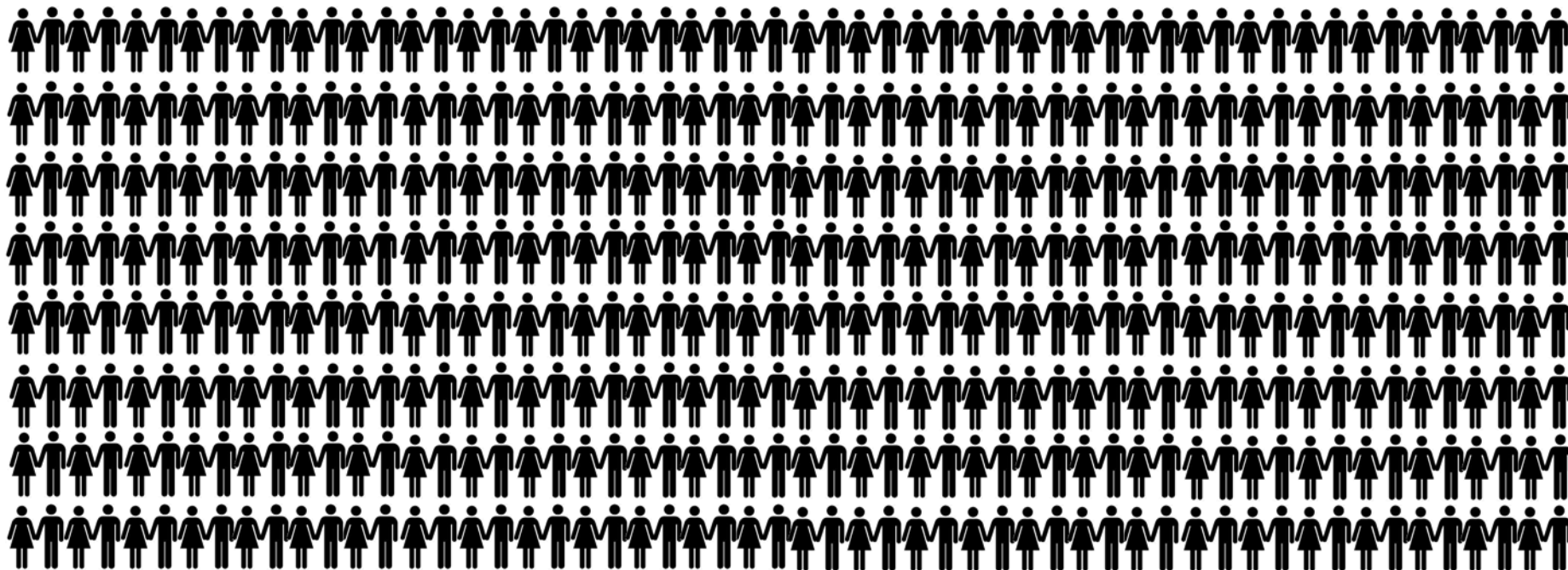
MetroPlan Orlando Role in the Project

- Project Management
 - University of Central Florida
 - Caliper Corporation
- Liaison
- Technical assistance



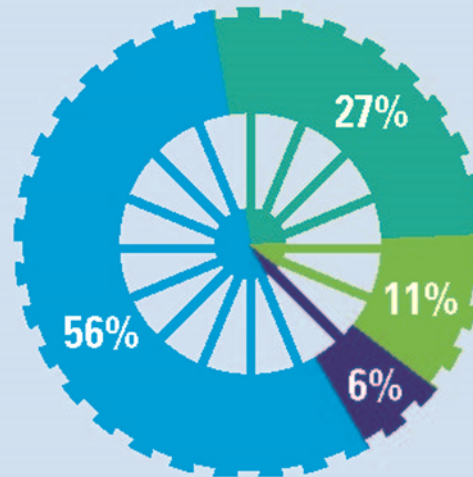
Two million people... and by 2040,

ONE MILLION MORE

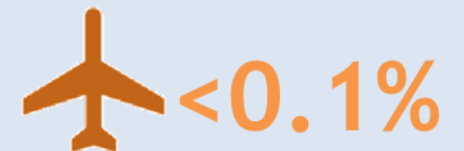
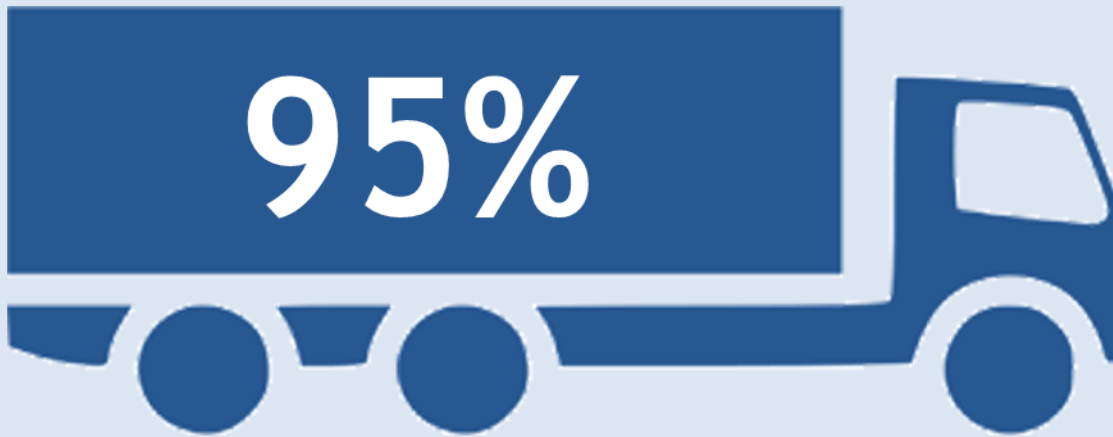




- Construction Materials
- Consumer Goods
- Fuels & Chemicals
- Other



How Freight Moves





I-4

Wekiva Parkway

SunRail

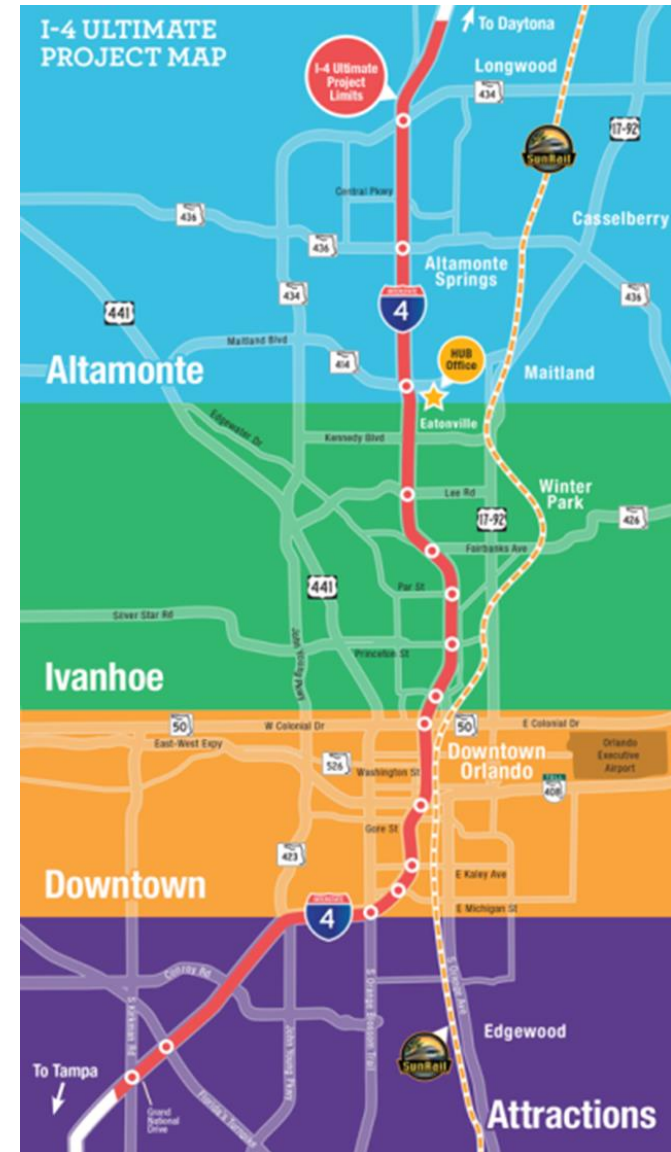
Coast to Coast Trail



WISE Applications



What's next?



Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Federal & State Funds
2016/17 to 2020/21

	Totals (\$000s)
Highway	1,653,981
TSMO	43,563
Bike/Ped	90,009
Transit	1,001,068
SunRail	83,708
Aviation	225,556
Total	3,097,885

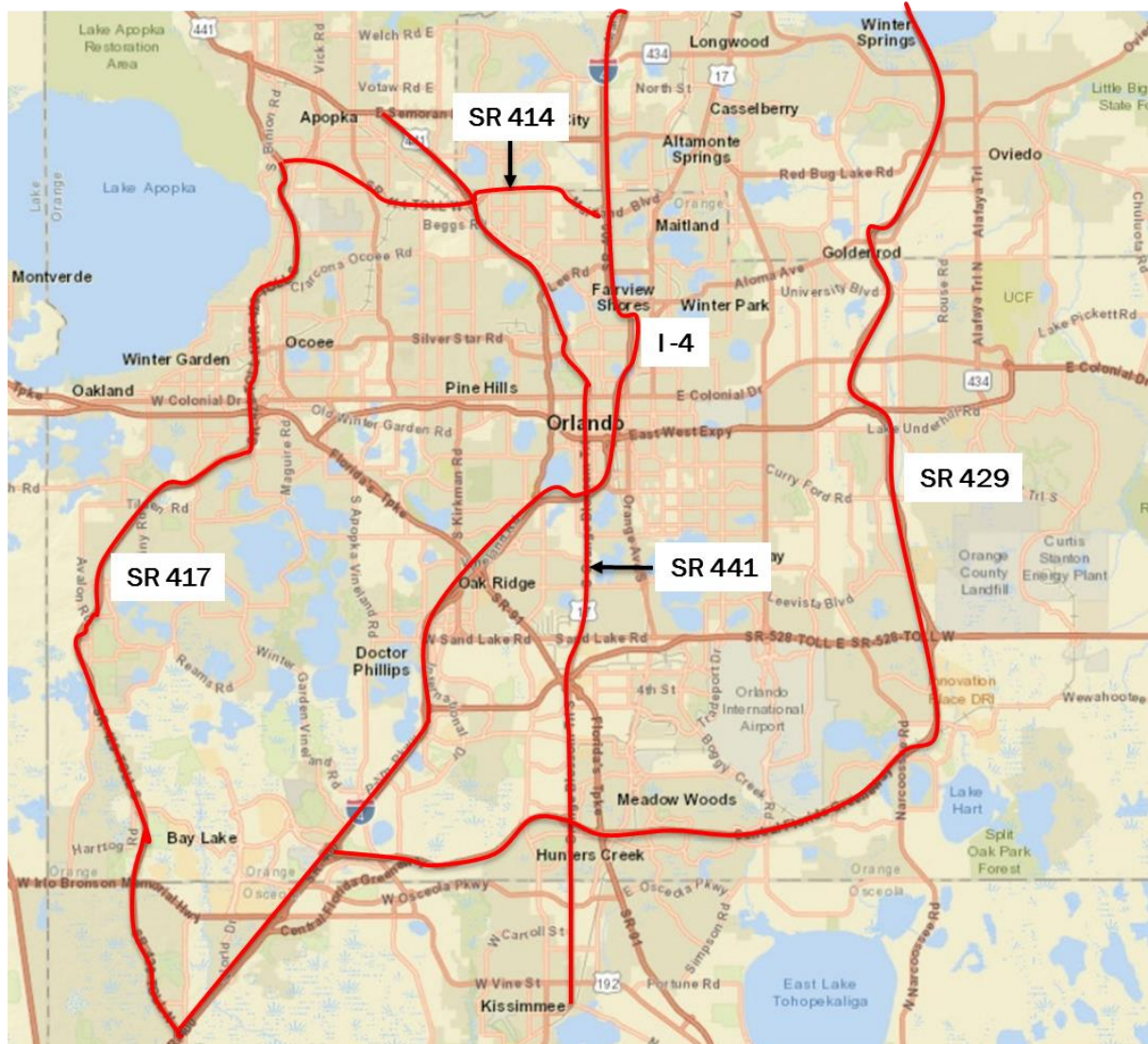
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Transportation Systems Management and Operations

- TSMO Advisory Committee
- Traffic Incident Management (TIM)
- Safety
- Active Transportation Demand Management (ATDM)
- TIP





Challenges and Solutions

- Operating WISE; rewriting code
- Functionality of DTA; reformulation
- Traffic counts; coordination with FDOT



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DATA COLLECTION AND DYNAMIC TRAFFIC ASSIGNMENT ON MONTEREY REGION



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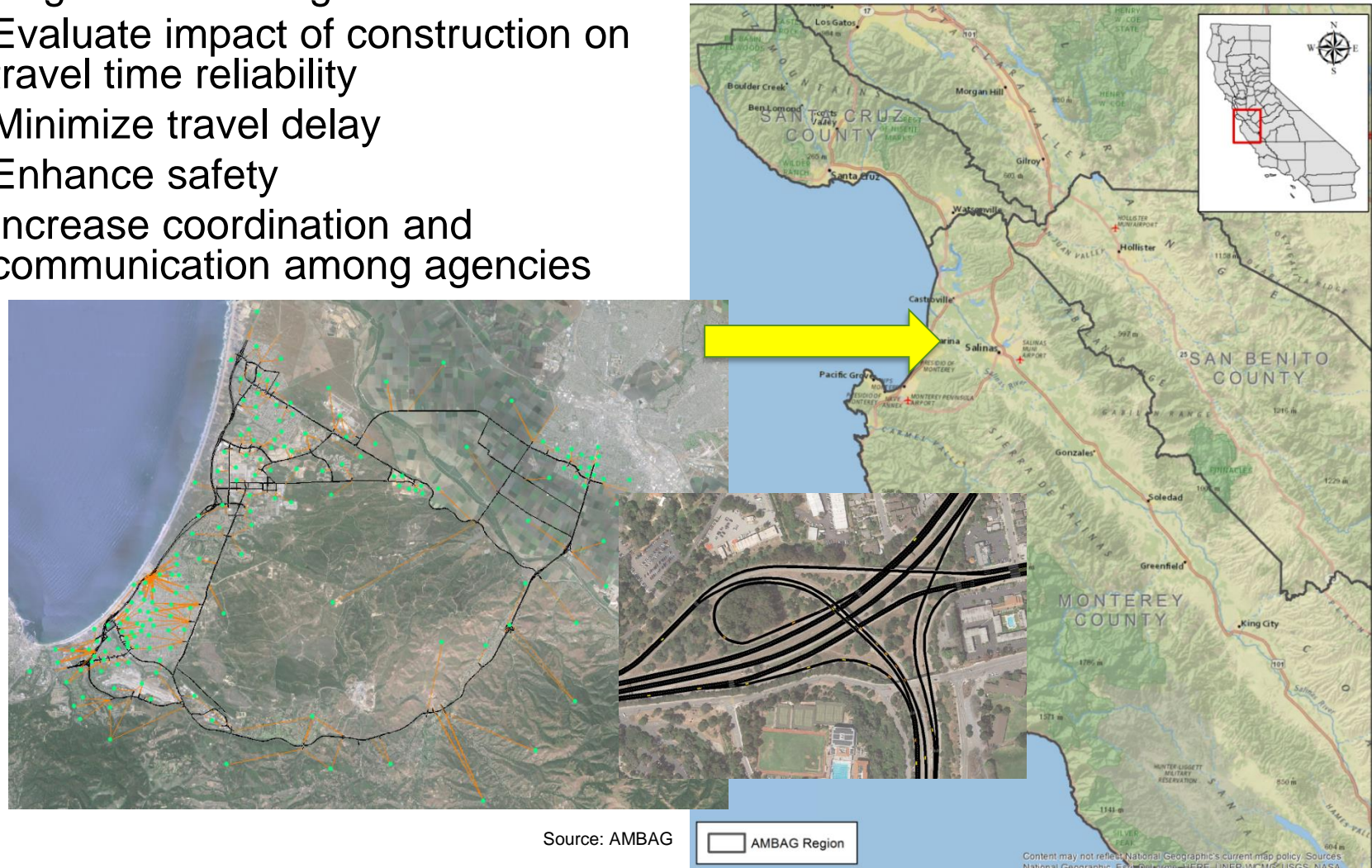
Project Outline

- Evaluation of the WISE and propose potential remedies to improve WISE
- Network coding for DTA in TransModeler
- Data collection for sub-area DTA
- **WISE modifications**
- DTA Model calibration and validation
- Coding of Construction Projects for WISE applications
- WISE applications (Planning and Operation)
- Webinar/training to increase awareness and use of WISE



AMBAG Region and Interests in WISE Pilot Testing

- Regional Challenges
- Evaluate impact of construction on travel time reliability
- Minimize travel delay
- Enhance safety
- Increase coordination and communication among agencies



Source: AMBAG

AMBAG Region



Evaluation of WISE Software

- Current implementation is cumbersome and difficult to use for most MPO or DOT staff.
- Extensive manipulation of network data is required to make it usable in WISE.
- Present traffic re-assignment calculation makes little sense for larger projects that impact route choices at the origin-destination level.
- Integration with travel models should allow user to input delay and/or diversion calculations directly without the need for ad hoc detour calculations in WISE.
- WISE not capable of properly handling complex sequencing of projects.
- No support for project phasing or for defining projects that span more than one link.



Potential Remedies to Improve WISE

- Streamline input process, bypass network importer, editor, and redefine how projects are defined.
- Provide additional guidance to WISE evaluation by including critical parameters such as seasonal traffic variation, work zone hours, project priority, and possible mitigation strategies.
- Allow modeling platform to define detours through static OR dynamic assignment.
- Completely bypass ad-hoc detour building in WISE which presently uses a myopic k-shortest path and buffering methodology.
- Inclusion of time of day-based input parameters to better capture travel behavior.
- Improve WISE reporting mechanisms so output is more easily understood.



Data Collection

- Meso-Scopic Network in AMBAG Region: 100 Miles
 - Including California State Route (SR) 68, US HWY 1, and Local arterials
- 17 BlueMAC devices installed
 - Data Collection period: 2/18/2016 ~ 4/22/2016
- 11 video recorders installed for turning movement counts
 - Data Collection period: 2 weeks
- 17 Additional intersections for signal timing/turn movement
 - Data is provided by Caltrans and 3 Local Municipalities

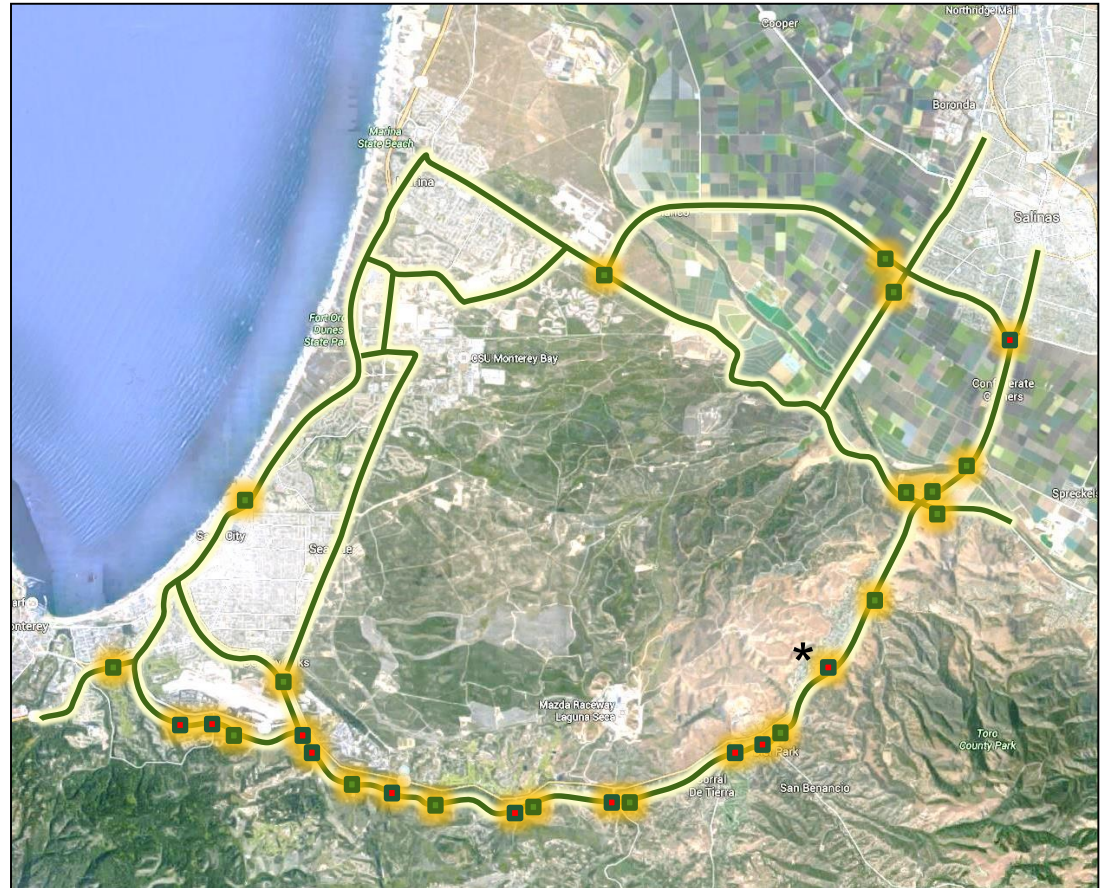


Data Collection Sites and Devices

Turning Movement Videos (11)



BlueMAC Readers (17)

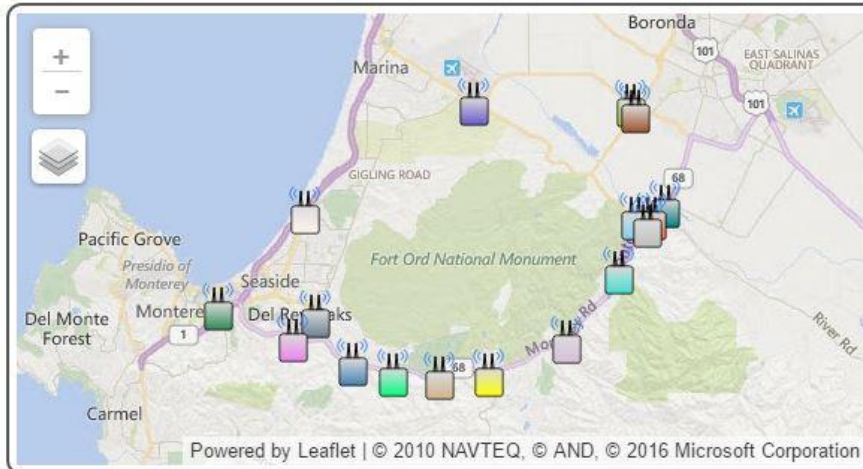


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BlueMAC device data (1 of 2)

Projects > Monterey Deployment

[Hide Details](#)



Overview

Status: Complete

No of Locations/Devices: 17 x

Start Date/Time: 2/18/2016 12:00 AM (UTC-8)

End Date/Time: 4/22/2016 11:59 PM (UTC-8)

Description

Created by PRW 2/24/16

[Travel Time Report](#)

[Origin-Destination Report](#)

Overview

- Blanco @ S Davis (130)
- HWY 68 @ Laureles Grade (3)
- HWY 68 @ Olmsted (96)
- HWY 68 @ Portola (127)
- HWY 68 @ Reservation (77)

Overview

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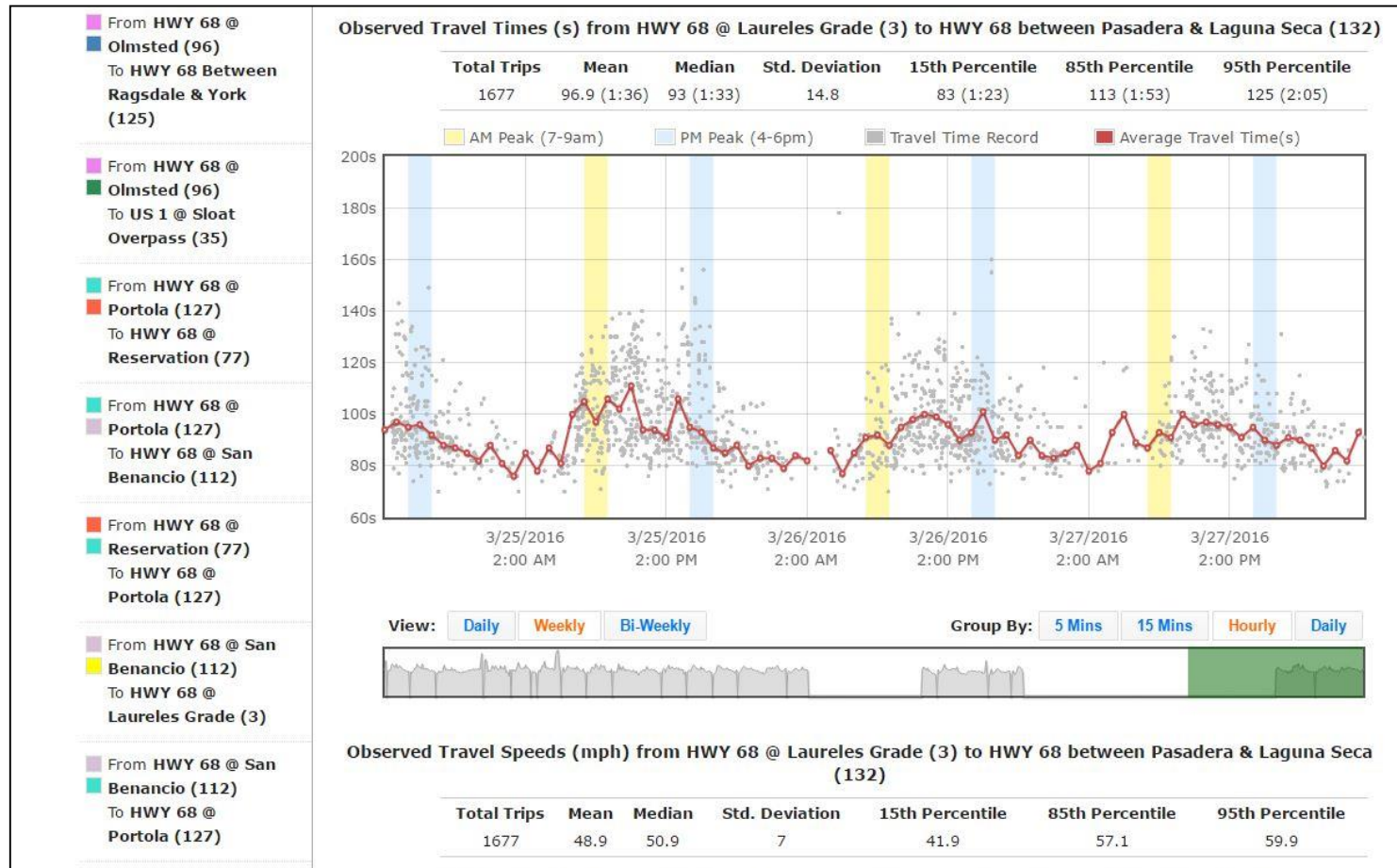
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	HWY 68 @ Laureles Grade (3)	4/22/2016 11:53 PM	11,326	
	HWY 68 @ Olmsted (96)	4/22/2016 11:59 PM	8,159	
	HWY 68 @ Portola (127)	4/17/2016 3:50 AM	7,650	
	HWY 68 @ Reservation (77)	4/22/2016 11:50 PM	10,067	
	HWY 68 @ San Benancio (112)	4/22/2016 11:56 PM	9,766	

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BlueMAC device data (2 of 2)

- Provides average travel times: by 5min/15min/Hourly/Daily on a specific route between two installed detectors with link information

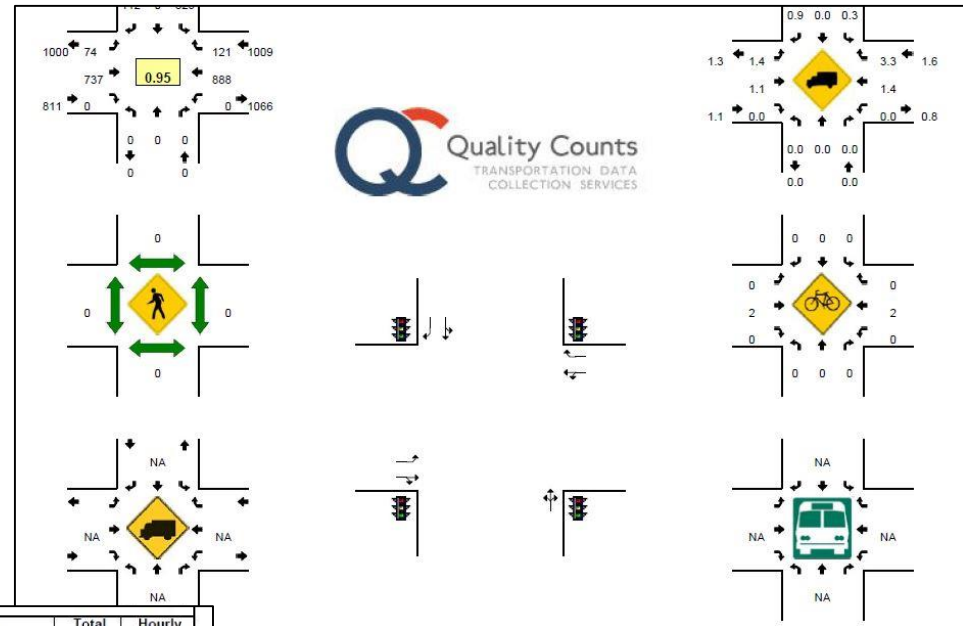


Source: AMBAG



Turning Movement data

- Data selected on
 - Feb 23~24, 2016
 - 4:00~6:00 PM



Source: AMBAG

5-Min Count Period Beginning At	York Rd (Northbound)				York Rd (Southbound)				SR 68 (Eastbound)				SR 68 (Westbound)				Total	Hourly Totals
	Left	Thru	Right	U	Left	Thru	Right	U	Left	Thru	Right	U	Left	Thru	Right	U		
4:00 PM	0	0	0	0	25	0	13	0	7	69	0	0	0	53	14	0	181	
4:05 PM	0	0	0	0	22	0	8	0	7	80	0	0	0	69	7	0	193	
4:10 PM	0	0	0	0	40	0	9	0	3	83	0	0	0	68	4	0	207	
4:15 PM	0	0	0	0	31	0	11	0	10	60	0	0	0	48	7	0	167	
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5:50 PM	0	0	0	0	10	0	2	0	5	67	0	0	0	70	6	0	160	2161
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Peak 15-Min Flowrates	Northbound				Southbound				Eastbound				Westbound				Total	
	Left	Thru	Right	U	Left	Thru	Right	U	Left	Thru	Right	U	Left	Thru	Right	U	2388	
All Vehicles	0	0	0	0	332	0	144	0	108	836	0	0	0	852	116	0	2388	
Heavy Trucks	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16	0	0	16	

Source: AMBAG



Additional Turning Movement & Signal Schedules

- 17 additional intersections for signal time/turning movements
- Data is provided by
 - Caltrans
 - 3 Local Municipalities

California Department of Transportation, Caltrans 2070 Controller Timing Chart TSCP: 2.20

Location: Mon-68-PM 17.18 EB Ramps@River Rd
 System: 68-River/Resrv District: 5
 Master At: EB ramps I/C:

Designed By: KJV
 Installed By:
 Service Info:

Timing Change: Date Start: 4/17/2015 Date End: Designed: Installed:

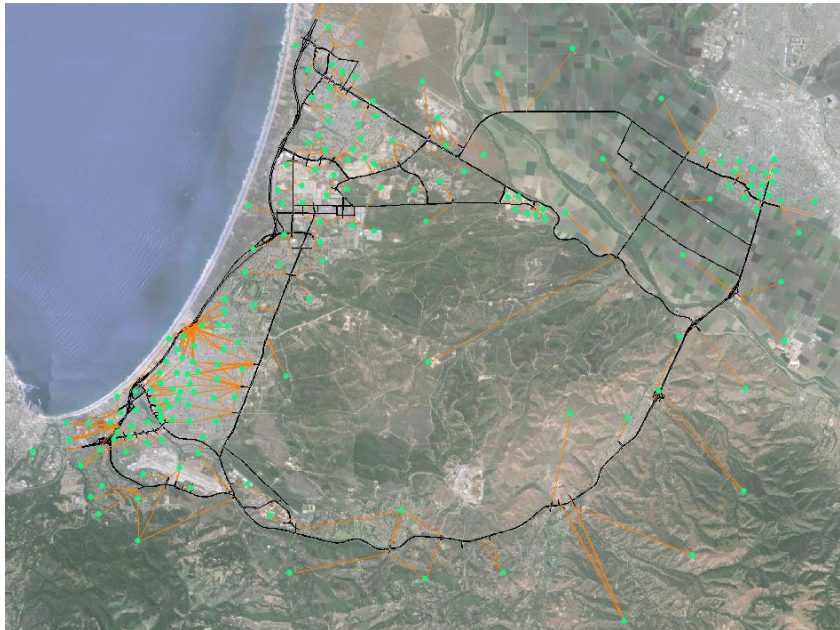
FLASH

1) []
 P 2) SB from Reservation []
 H 3) []
 A 4) []
 S 5) SB LT to EB on ramp []
 E 6) NB River Rd []
 7) []
 8) EB off ramp []

O A) []
 V B) []
 E C) []
 R D) []
 L

Intersection Layout

Source: AMBAG



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INTERSECTION: Gen JM & San Pablo

Column Numbers →	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Row
0: Cycle Length	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	0
1: Phase 1 - ForceOff	55	60	60	63	60	61	65	65	65	1
2: Phase 2 - ForceOff	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
3: Phase 3 - ForceOff	20	15	20	25	20	25	25	25	25	3
4: Phase 4 - ForceOff	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	4
5: Phase 5 - ForceOff	55	60	60	61	60	63	65	65	65	5
6: Phase 6 - ForceOff	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
7: Phase 7 - ForceOff	20	15	20	25	20	25	25	25	25	7
8: Phase 8 - ForceOff	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	8
9: Ring Offset	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9
A: Offset 1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	A
B: Offset 2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	B
C: Offset 3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	C
D: Permissive	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	D
E: Hold Release	255	255	255	255	255	255	255	255	255	E
F: Zone Offset	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	F

Coordination

RR Overlap A - Phases
 RR Overlap B - Phases
 RR Overlap C - Phases
 RR Overlap D - Phases
 Ped 2P
 Ped 6P
 Ped 4P
 Ped 8P
 Yellow Flash Phases
 Overlap A - Phases
 Overlap B - Phases
 Overlap C - Phases

Force-Off Adjust 0
 Coord Force-Off Adjust for Ped Service <C+D+H>
 Transition Type 0
 TBC Transition <C+D+H>
 Transition Type 0
 TBC Transition <C+D+H>
 Transition Type 0
 TBC Transition <C+D+H>

Extra 1 Plans
 1 = TBC Type 1
 2 = NEMA Ext. Coord
 3 = Auto Daylight Savings
 4 = EV Advance
 5 =
 6 = Special Event
 7 = Preempt Operation
 8 = Split Ring Operation

Assign 5 Outputs
 1 = Right Turn Overlap
 2 = TOD Outputs
 3 = EV Beacon - Steady
 4 = EV Beacon - Flash

IC Select Plans
 1 =
 2 = Modern
 3 = 7-Wire Slave
 4 = 7-Wire Master

Source: AMBAG



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Smarter Work Zones

PROJECT COORDINATION USING WISE: TN PILOT PROJECT

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Overview

- Motivation
- Goals and Tasks
- Rationale
- Pilot Project Experience
- Challenges and Limitations
- Initial Recommendations



Motivation to WISE (1 of 2)

- Significant projects which are anticipated to cause sustained work zone impacts
- Currently revising the TDOT Work Zone Safety Mobility Manual and reformatting the Transportation Management Plan Process (TMPs)
- Optimal multiple project coordination helps to reduce work zone related crashes
- Obtain three pillars of benefit
 - Social
 - Economic
 - Environmental



Source: TDOT



Motivation to WISE (2 of 2)

- Need in Tennessee for coordinating work zone (WZ) projects
 - Type: construction, maintenance, utility, etc.
 - Pass through state
- TDOT selected EDC-3 Smarter Work Zones as an initiative to help stimulate and support the improvement of work zone planning.
- TDOT has an existing lane closure decision support system software that is underutilized and is in need of revitalization.
- In TN
 - Approximately 500 WZ/year on interstates/state routes
 - Highest type of WZ are construction.

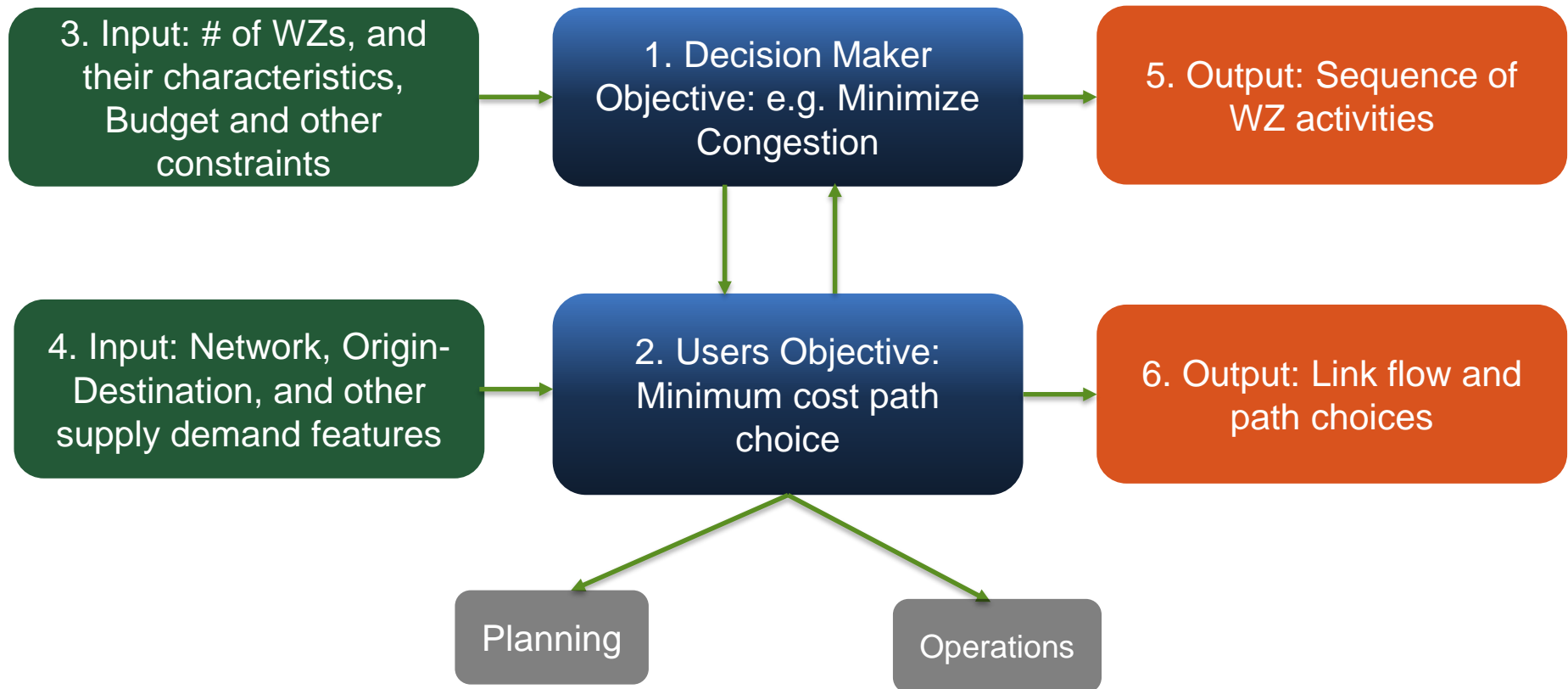


Goals and Tasks

- Goals of the pilot project
 - Assessment of WISE to identify limitations
 - Recommendations to improve WISE
- Tasks of pilot project include
 - Collect network and WZ data,
 - Build
 - Planning and operational strategies for WZ sequencing
 - Model calibration and validation
 - Use WISE to optimize sequence of WZ projects

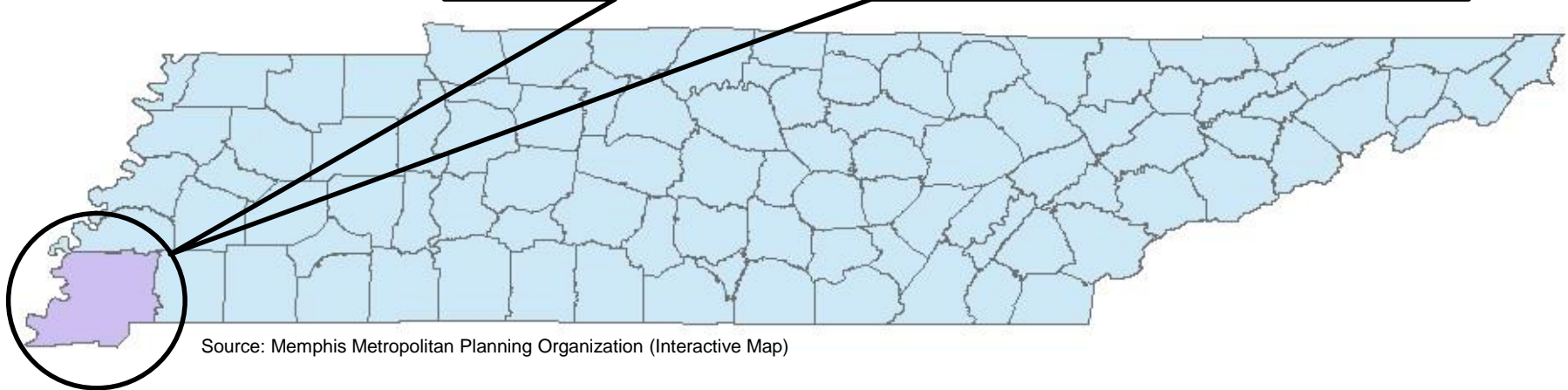
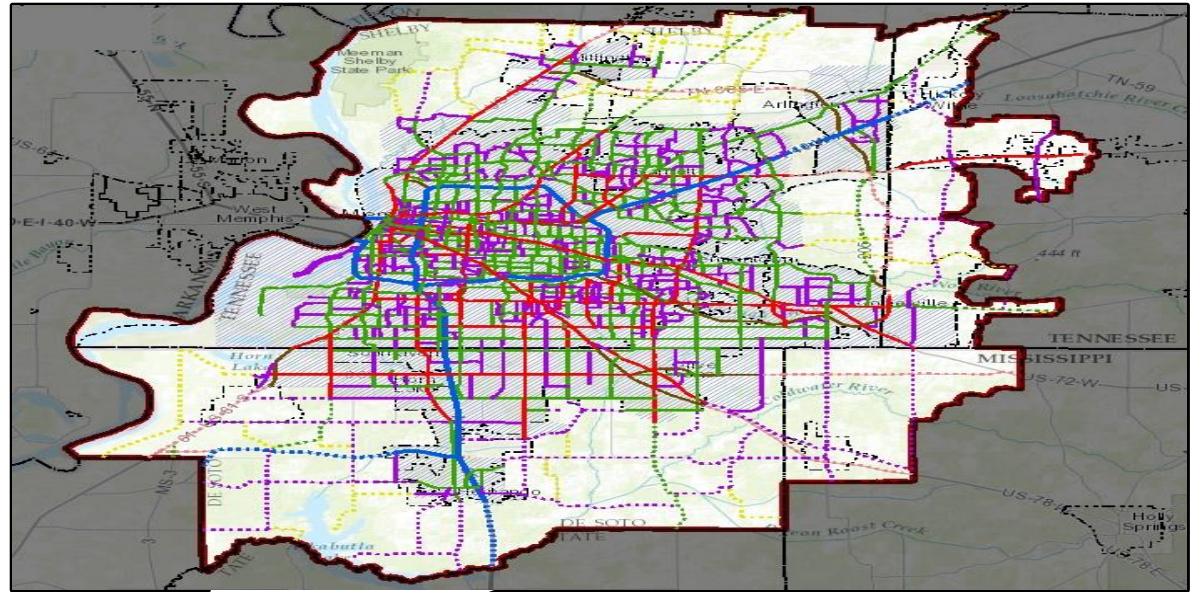


Rationale Work Zone Sequencing



Pilot Project – Shelby County, Memphis, Tennessee

Shelby county: Located in
Memphis Metropolitan Area



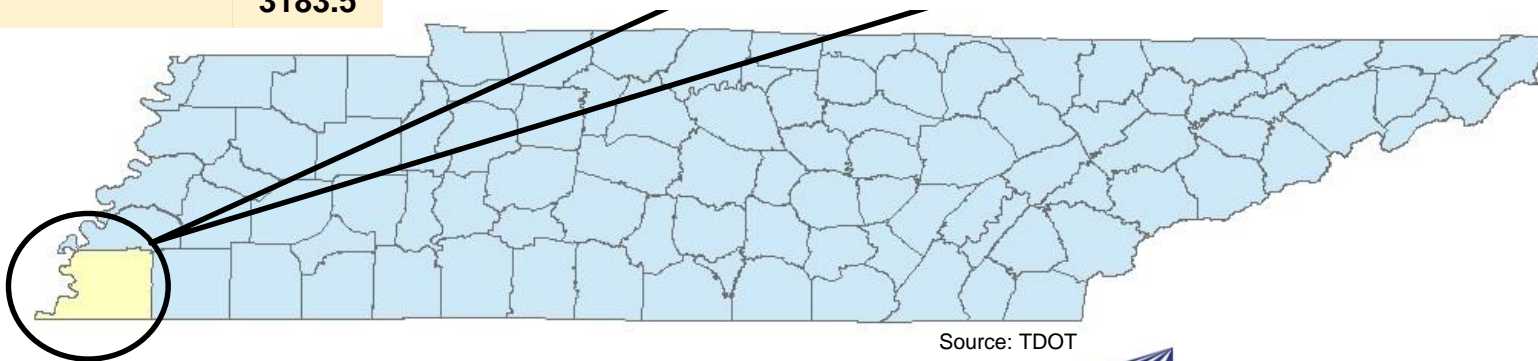
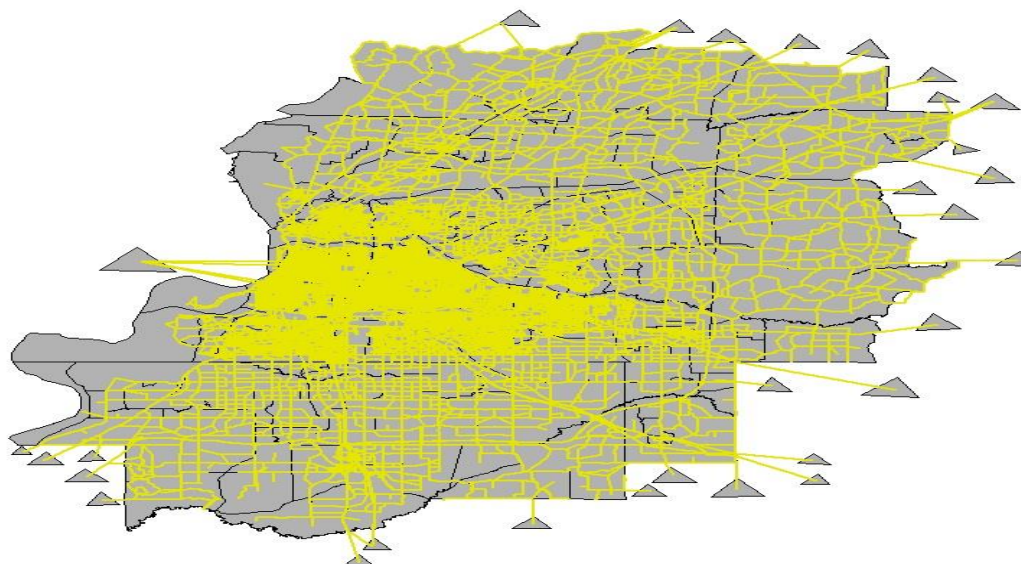
Source: Memphis Metropolitan Planning Organization (Interactive Map)



Pilot Project Network Overview

Total Length of Roadway Segments (miles)

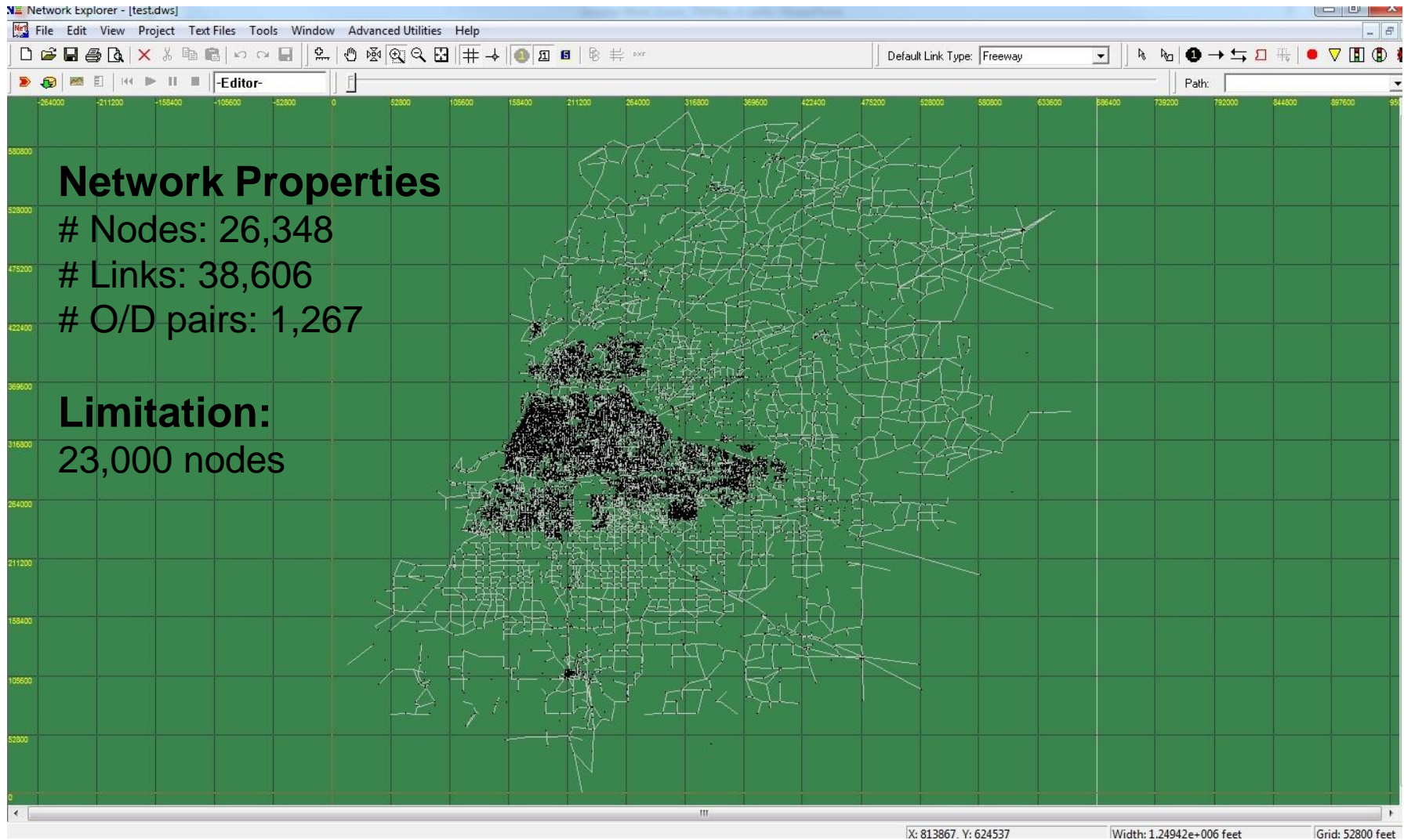
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Urban Interstates	60.3
Rural Principle Arterials	28.6
Urban Principle Arterials	232.7
Urban Freeways/Expressways	35.5
Rural Minor Arterials	13.6
Urban Minor Arterials	513.2
Rural Major collectors	7.7
Urban Collectors	383.3
Rural Minor Collector	81.7
Local Roads	3183.5



Source: TDOT



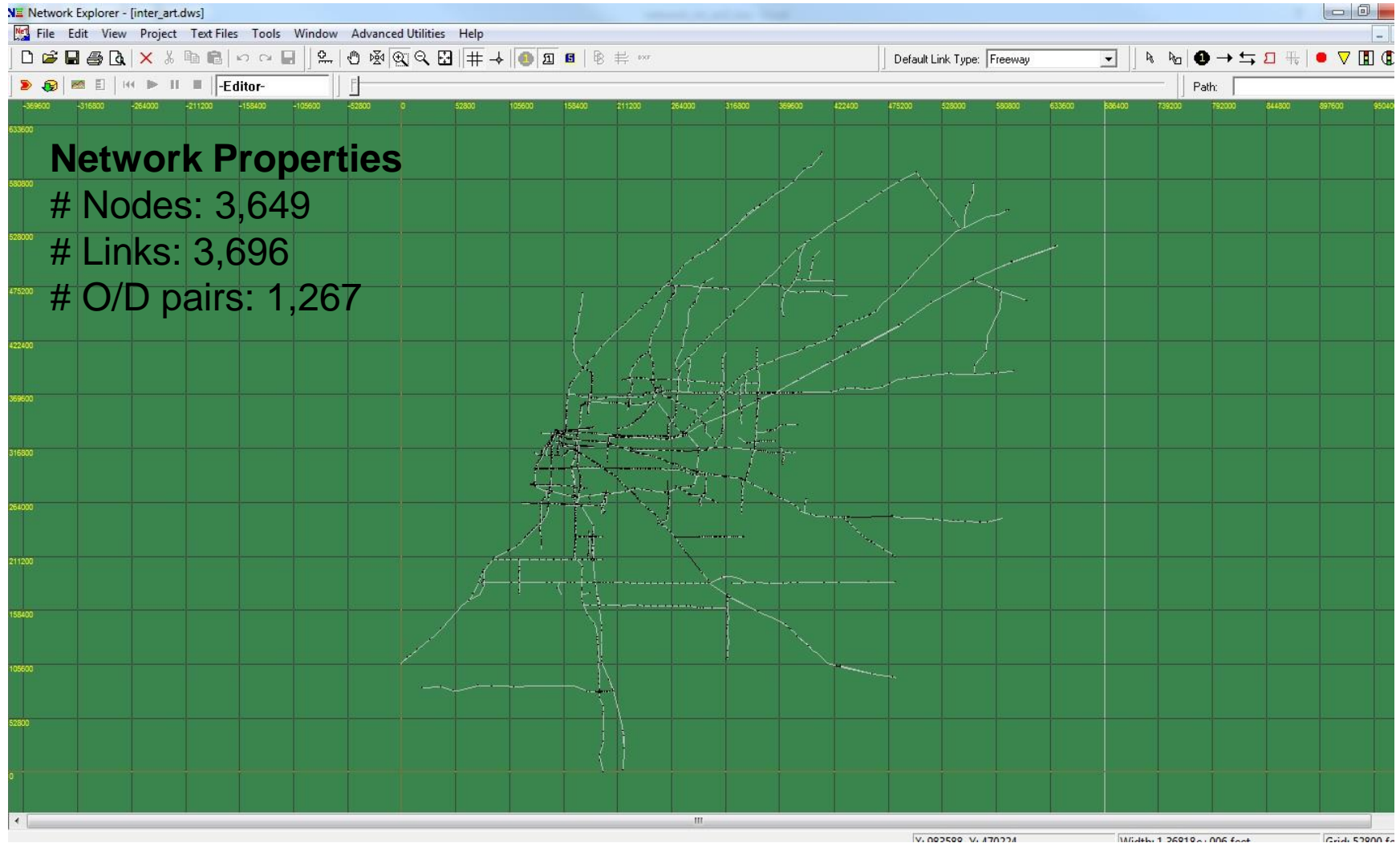
NeXTA – Study Area Network



Source: TDOT



NeXTA – Simplified Study Area Network

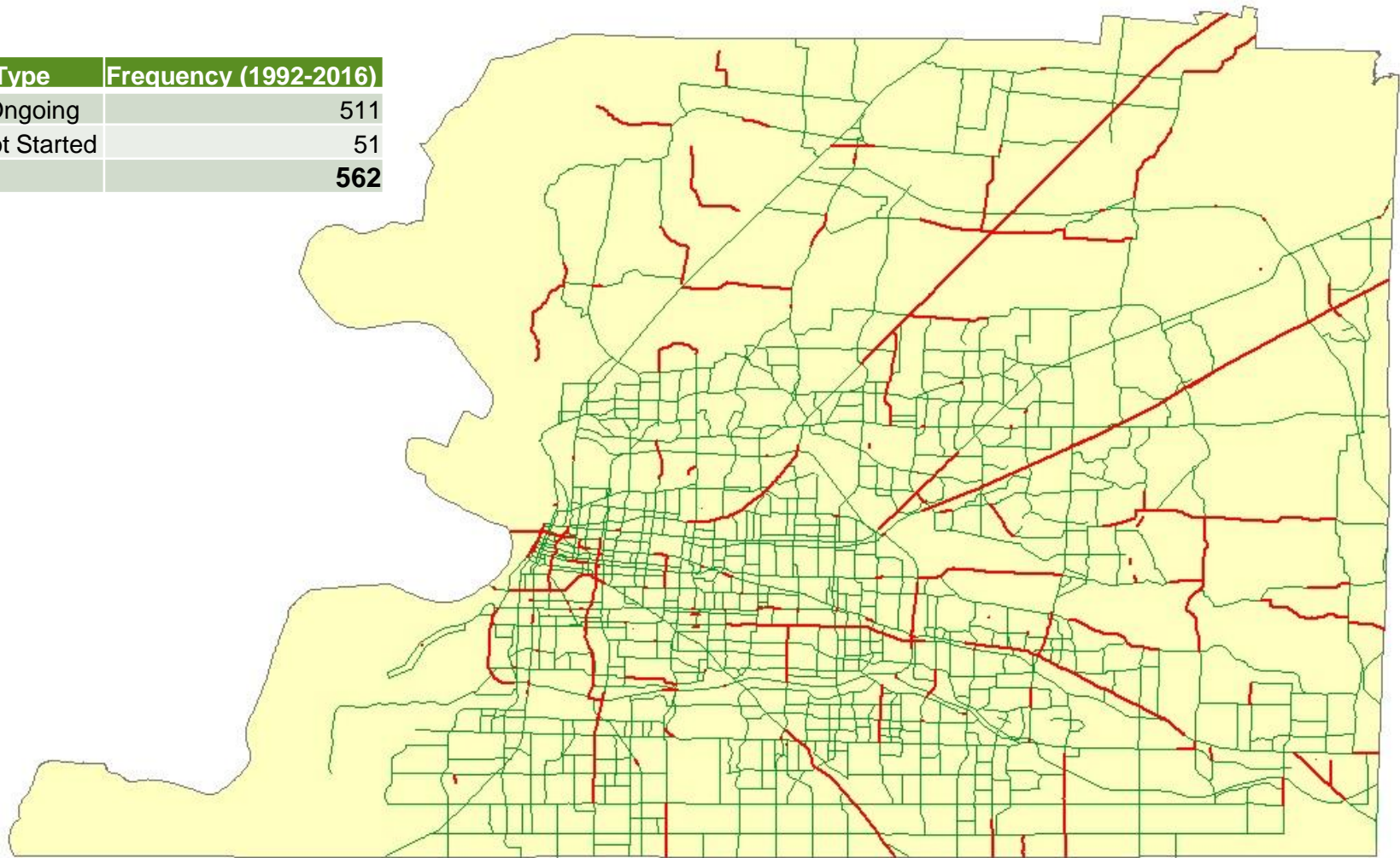


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Pilot Project Work Zones

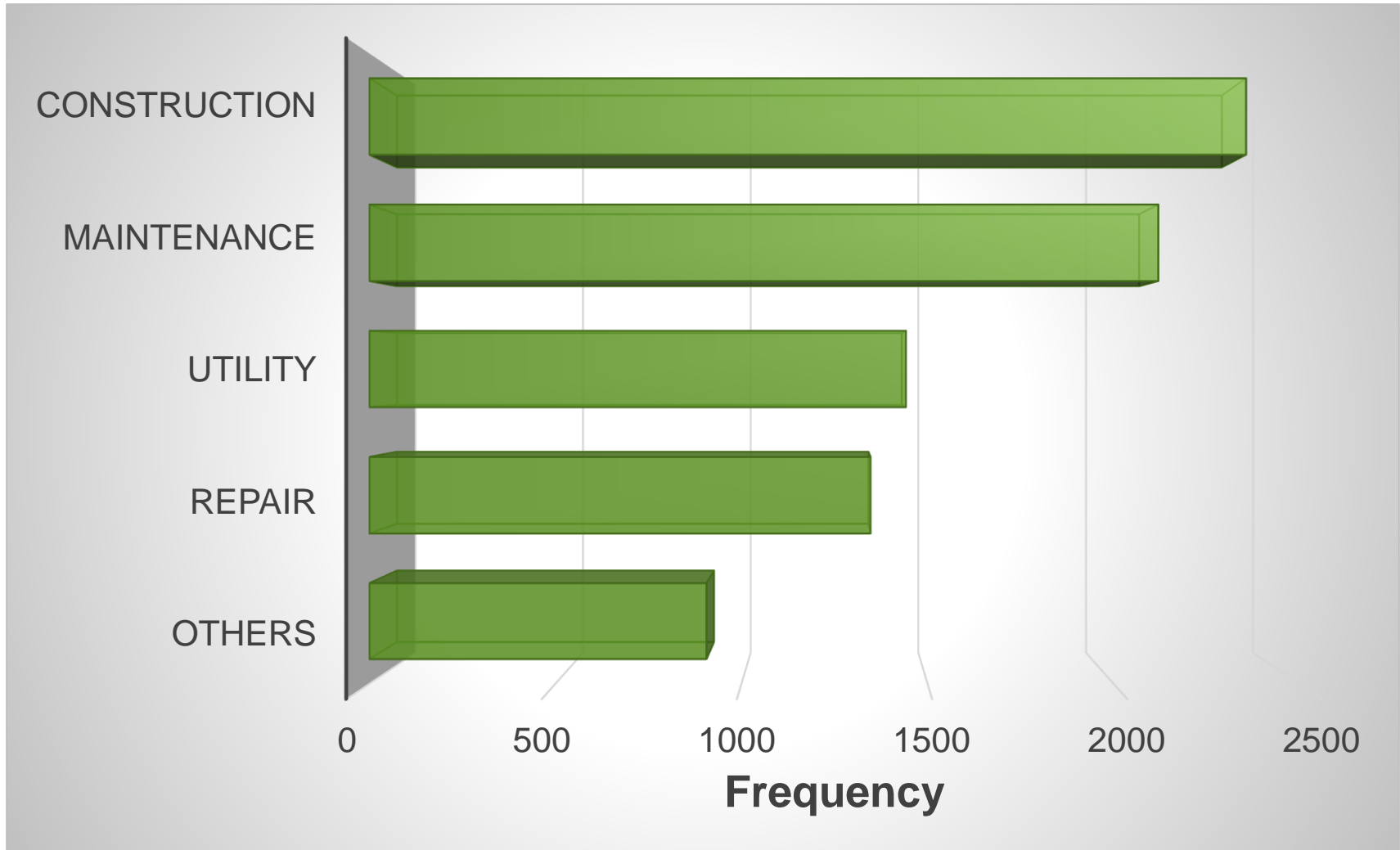
Work Zone Type	Frequency (1992-2016)
Completed/Ongoing	511
Proposed/Not Started	51
Total	562



Source: TDOT



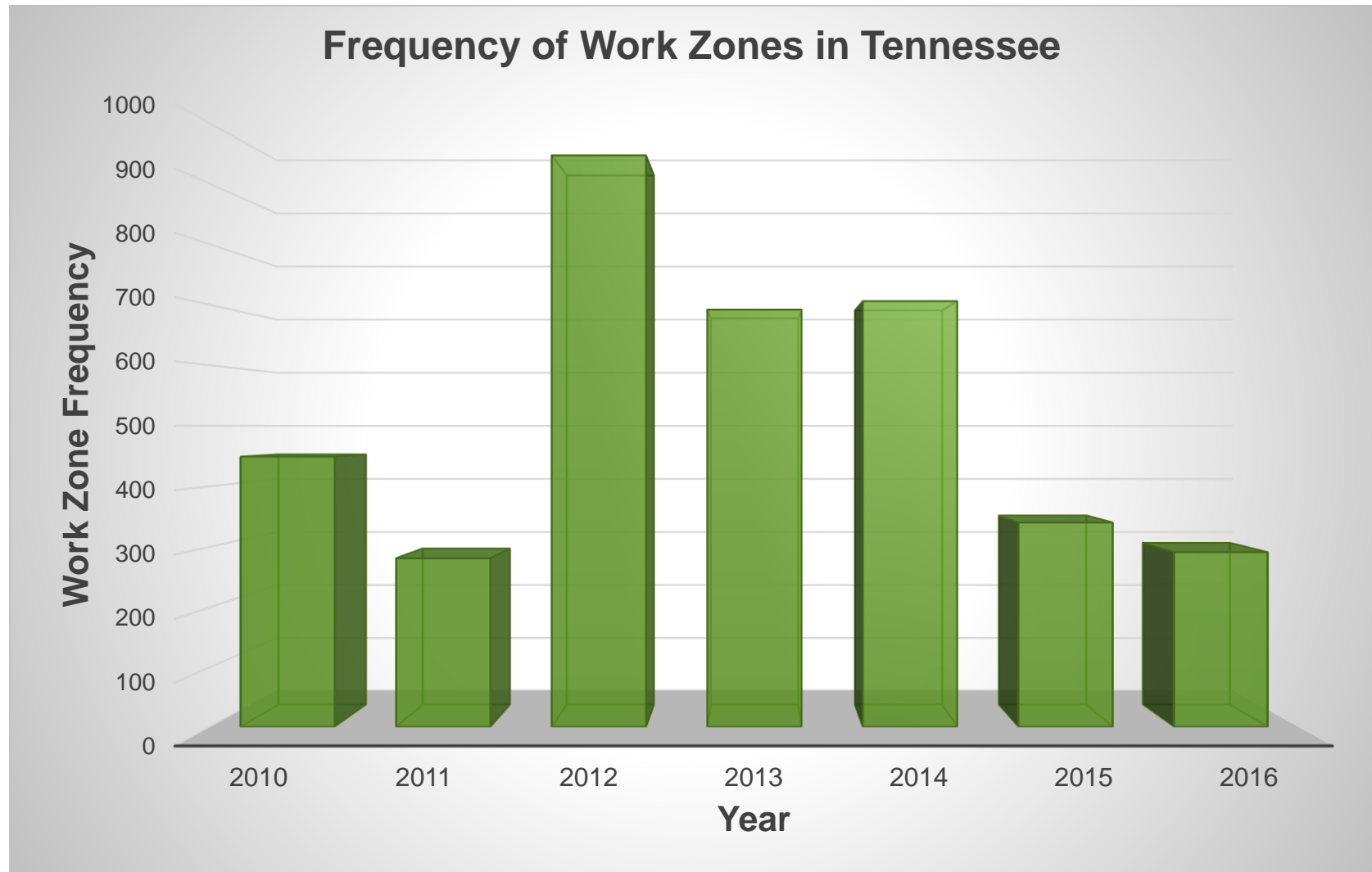
Pilot Project Work Zone Characteristics (1 of 2)



Source: TDOT



Pilot Project Work Zone Characteristics (2 of 2)



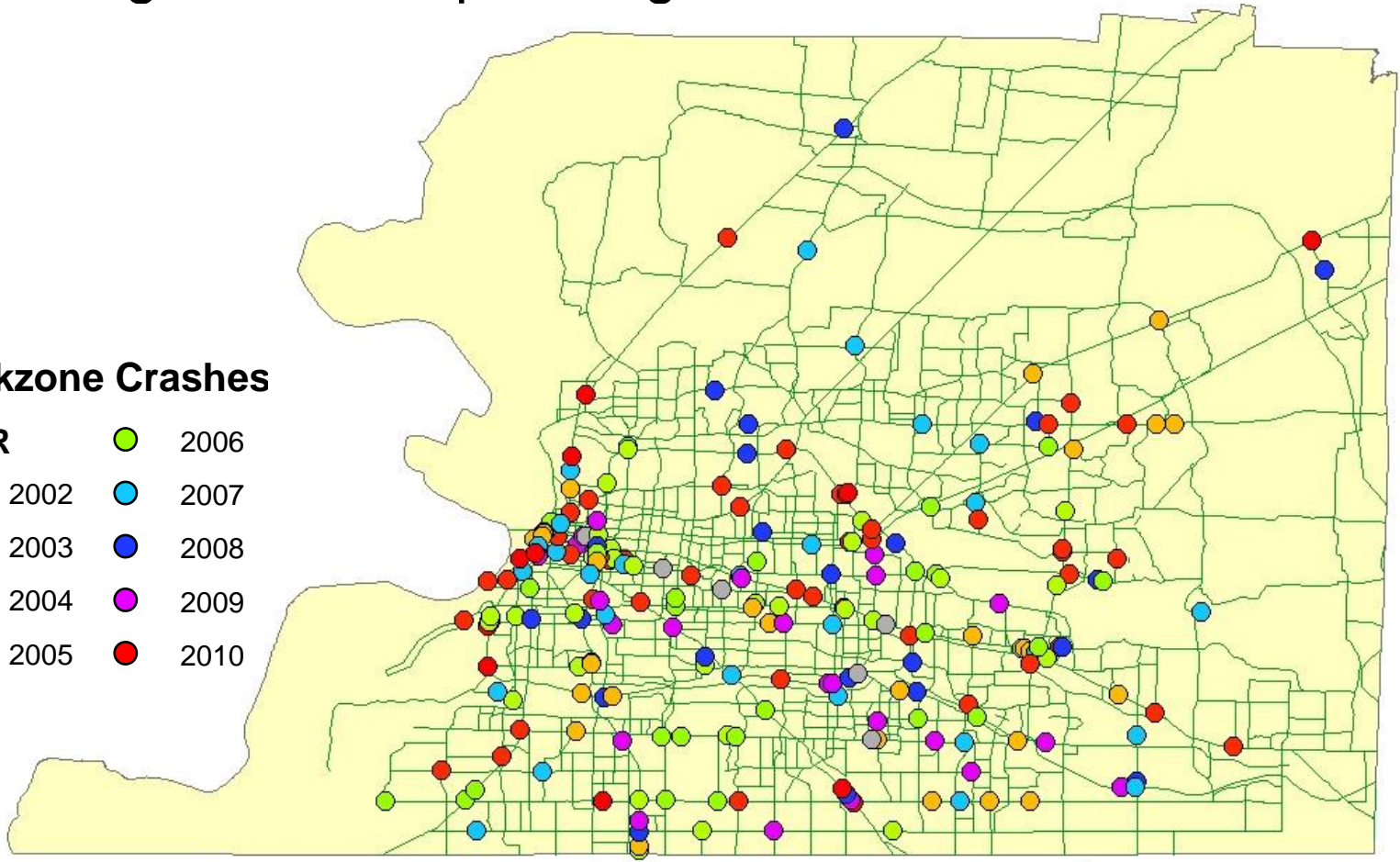
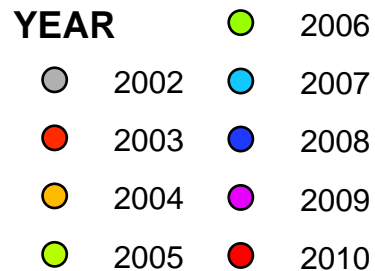
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Work Zone Crashes

- Anticipated decrease in WZs because of informed rerouting and better planning

Workzone Crashes



Source: TDOT



Challenges and Limitations

- Data Preparation
 - Identify work zones to be analyzed
 - State, MPO, and City (all have different databases!)
 - Sub-area selection if the network is bigger
- WISE uses DynusT for DTA
 - Provide flexibility to include other software
- Significant effort needed mesoscopic model calibration
- Detail construction cost components not defined as input in WISE
 - Labor, materials, tools, schedule conflict, and other components



Initial Recommendations

- Enhance GUI
 - (*for wider use make it practitioner friendly*)
- Data input/output
 - (*provide example data structure*)
- Analyze larger number of WZ projects
 - (*test other sequencing algorithms*)
- Capacity to analyze larger network
 - (*for planning enhance traffic assignment algorithm*)
- Support other DTA platforms
 - (*direct WISE to other DTA platforms*)



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FHWA RESOURCES



SWZ Interactive Toolkit Available!

<https://www.workzonesafety.org/SWZ/>

The screenshot displays the homepage of the National Work Zone Safety Information Clearinghouse. The top navigation bar includes links for ABOUT, CONTACT, LISTSERV, LOGIN/REGISTER, and a search bar. The main header features the workzonesafety.org logo, the site title, and social media icons. A secondary navigation bar lists various resource categories. The main content area is titled 'Smarter Work Zones' and includes a breadcrumb trail, a descriptive paragraph about SWZ, and a table with details on Project Coordination and Technology Applications. A sidebar on the left provides a comprehensive list of links, and a right sidebar contains additional links and a section for additional links.

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Smarter Work Zones

Smarter Work Zones (SWZ) are among a few select initiatives being promoted by the FHWA Every Day Counts Program. SWZ are work zones that utilize innovative strategies to minimize work zone safety and mobility impacts. In EDC3, focus is on coordination of construction projects and use of technology applications to dynamically manage work zone impacts. These strategies include coordination of roadway construction projects to reduce work zone impacts and using technology applications to dynamically manage traffic in the work zone environment.

Project Coordination	Coordination within a single project and/or among multiple projects within a corridor, network, or region, and possibly across agency jurisdictions to minimize work zone traffic impacts
Technology Applications	Deployment of Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) for dynamic management of work zone traffic impacts, such as

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- [FHWA Every Day Counts \(EDC-3\) Smarter Work Zones](#)
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Other Resources – Project Coordination

FHWA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> FHWA Work Zone Management Program – Project Coordination http://www.ops.fhwa.dot.gov/wz/construction/crp/index.htm FHWA Work Zone Management Program – Peer-to-Peer Program http://www.ops.fhwa.dot.gov/wz/p2p/index.htm
TRB SHRP2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> WISE Software User's Guide http://onlinepubs.trb.org/onlinepubs/shrp2/SHRP2_S2-R11-RW-2.pdf
NCHRP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NCHRP Synthesis 413: Techniques for Effective Highway Construction Projects in Congested Urban Areas http://www.trb.org/main/blurbs/164886.aspx
Others	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Highway Construction Coordination to Minimize Traffic Impacts http://planning.transportation.org/Documents/8-36/NCHRP8-36(56)FinalReport.pdf
WSDOT Example Documents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Data Sharing Agreement between Washington State DOT and Seattle DOT https://www.workzonesafety.org/files/documents/SWZ/WSDOT-SDOT_data_sharing_agreement.pdf Washington State DOT Memorandum of Understanding – Construction Traffic Coordination and Mitigation https://www.workzonesafety.org/files/documents/SWZ/MOU_10-25-09.pdf



Thanks for joining us!

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