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Key Initiatives

Transportation Pooled Fund Studies:

- TPF-5(258):Traffic Signal Systems Operations and Management
- TPF-5(1453): Enhanced Traffic Signal Performance Measures
- NCHRP 03-122: Performance-Based Management of Traffic Signals
- **Every Day Counts 4 Initiative**

ITS Carolinas 2018 Annual Meeting

<u>Session 1A</u> – Signal System Arterial Operations and Corridor Management

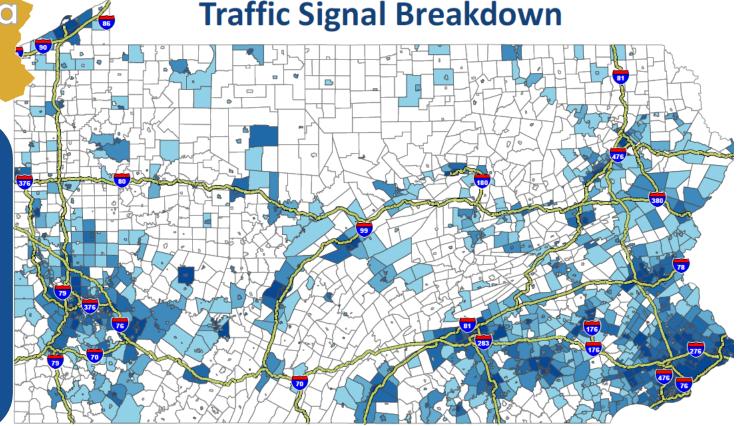
PennDOT's Outcome Assessment using Probe Vehicle Data to Justify Signal Investments to Decision Makers

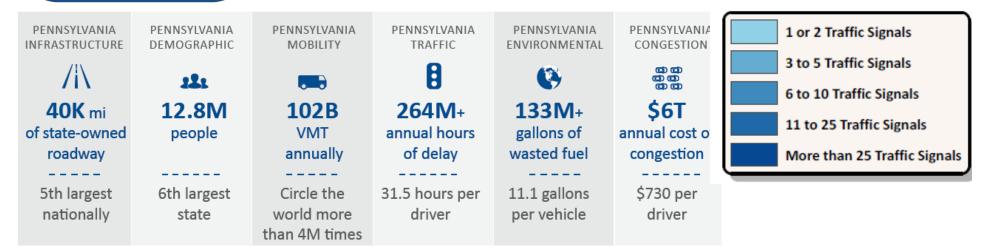
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Pennsylvania Facts

- 1,200 municipal signal owners
- 14,000 signals in Pennsylvania
- 75% own less than 10 signals
- 80%+ maintained by contractors
- 10,500 (77%) on state highways



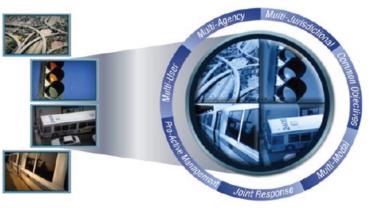


Traffic Signal Operations Approach

<u>Goals</u>:

- Reducing delay, emissions, and fuel consumption
- Reducing crashes and fatalities
- Focus impacts on the economy and job creation
- Standardizing traffic signal equipment
- Establishing regional and multi-jurisdictional collaboration

Currently		Moving Towards
Isolated		Coordinated
Jurisdictional		System
Project Focus		Customer Focus
Local		Regional
Reactive		Proactive
Piecemeal		Comprehensive
Historical information	\rightarrow	Real-Time Information
8/5 operations	\rightarrow	24/7 operations
Output oriented	\rightarrow	Performance-based





Source : Coordinated Freeway and Arterial Operations Handbook, FHWA

Traffic Signal Roadmap



• Pub. 191 (1 Signal Publication)

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- Product Approvals
- E-Permitting System
- Signal Permit Plans



Technology and Innovation

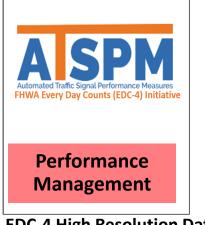
- Adaptive Signals
- Communication & DSRC
 Deployments
- CAV Applications



- Asset Inventory
- Maintenance Records
- Municipal Budgeting



- Grants
- Ownership
- Systematic Statewide
 Improvements



- EDC-4 High Resolution Data
- Arterial Probe Performance Metrics
- Pooled Fund Study (TPF-1453)



- HSTOD Training Committee
- Identify Needs/Gaps



- Communications
- Command & Control
- Signal Mgmt. Plan
- Maintenance Strategies

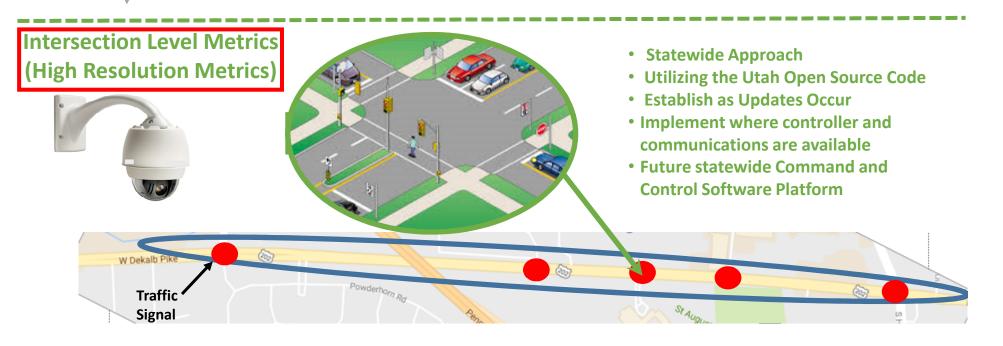


- **Project Planning**
- Life Cycle Evaluation
- Project Planning



Performance Management

 Corridor Level Metrics Initial Deployment in Philadelphia Region (5 Counties) 138-Super-Critical Corridors 2,184 Traffic Signals 776 Arterial Miles of INRIX data Future Statewide Deployment 	Probe Data <u>Arterial Travel Time Comparison</u> <u>Tool</u> • Before/After Analysis and corridor reliability utilizing Cumulative Frequency Diagrams (CFDs) Arterial Ranking
 Continue to Work to Identify Relationships and Use-Cases between Corridor and Intersection Metrics and the Variety of Data Sources Clarify when and where each of the Metrics should be used 	 Ranking by median travel time and interquartile range (IQR) identifying delay, reliability, and variability <u>Arterial Congestion Ticker</u> Speed profiles of arterial routes





Coverage Area

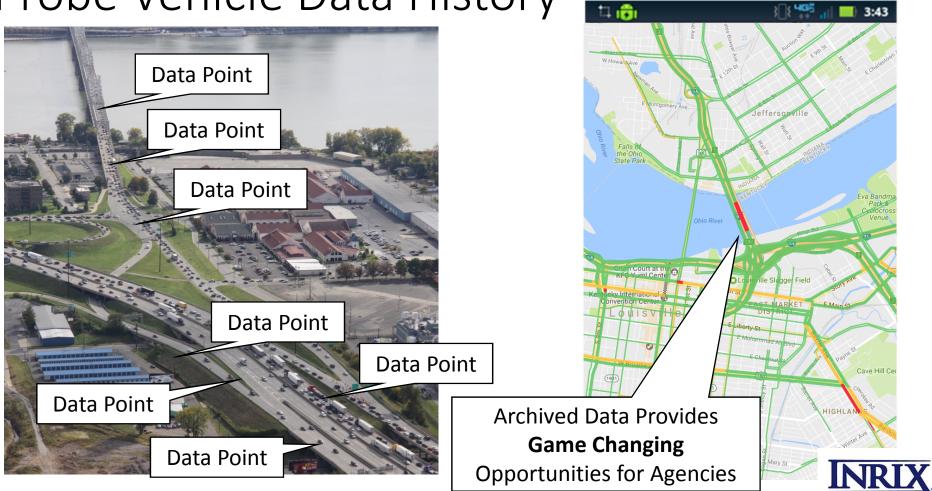
• 25,000 TMC Segments; 16,600 Miles • 112,000 XD Segments; 23,200 Miles

Pennsylvania is an All-In State

- INRIX is the Selected Data Vendor
- Real-Time Data and Achieved Data since 2011
- Data used in 511PA
- Statewide Travel Times when appropriate
- 7 validations completed in PA through I-95 VPP and have generally performed significantly better than contract (AASE < 5 mph, Speed Bias < 3 mph)

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Lake Erte		INRIX XD Coverage			
Corridor Type	Total # of Signals				
Supercritical	4314	66	4248	98.5%	
Critical	4443	235	4208	94.7%	
Designated	1752	318	1434	81.8%	
Local	3051	1173	1878	61.6%	
TOTAL	13560	1792	11768	86.8%	
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Probe Vehicle Data History



US-1 Corridor

Granularity and Coverage Comparision of TMC and XD Segments



- Reflects current traffic conditions
- Reported every minute
- Generally 3-5 minutes behind actual road conditions



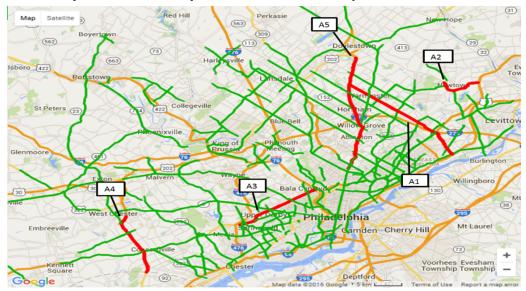
Research Project



TRB Annual Meeting 2017 Paper Number 17-00314

http://docs.trb.org/prp/17-00314.pdf

<u>**Purpose</u>**: Develop, implement and evaluate commercial probe data licensed by Pennsylvania to produce arterial performance measures to evaluate user costs (signal retiming, maintenance, adaptive installation and benefit/cost activities), travel time reliability, variability, and corridor prioritization.</u>



Focus Area:

- 138 "Super-Critical" corridors (AADT greater than 25,000)
- Five-county region of PennDOT District 6, including Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Montgomery, and Philadelphia counties
- Total: 2,184 Signals on 766 miles of arterials

Probe Data Performance Measures

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Guides Webinars

Posters Final Report

In recent years, highway monitoring and performance measure requirements have been increasingly emphasized transportation funding mandates such as MAP-21. The provisions in these mandates have led to an increased no of system performance at both state and local levels. It is highly likely that future bills will trend toward requiring performance measurement. Historically, this has been a challenge due to the data collection infrastructure require wide-scale deployment efforts. To meet this data need, advances in connected and probe vehicle technologies han unprecedented amount of data through third-party commercial vendors for agencies to procure and use. How be transformed to adapt to the goals and objectives of the agency so to be well-suited for analyzing performance

Publications

In May 2016, the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation sponsored a 12-month research project at Purdue develop, implement and assess three web dashboards and a data system that make use of the commercial prob Pennsylvania to produce arterial performance measures for engineers and stakeholders to evaluate and monito Traffic speed data was downloaded in real-time as well as historic data from INRIX to populate roadway speeds spatial resolution. The dashboards mapped the speeds to 138 "super-critical" corridors in the five-county region including Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Montgomery, and Philadelphia counties, and produced travel time and relia corridor rankings, and a congestion monitoring tool on a web-enabled user platform. The three dashboards are speed as the speed store of the counter of the super-critical speed to the speed store of the counter of the speed store of the speed store of the counter of the speed store of the

- Arterial Travel Time Comparison Tool. This tool allows the user to perform a comparison of travel times
 corridor for specified "before" and "after" date ranges that can be filtered by day of week and time of day. T
 cumulative frequency diagrams (CFDs) of the travel times that illustrate the difference between the before
 This tool is instrumental for assessing the effects of maintenance, operational changes, capital programs
 deployments.
- Arterial Ranking Tool. This tool enables the user to view performance of several corridors for a specified
 rank the corridors according to their travel time characteristics, including both the median travel time and
 range (IQR), a measure of the travel time variability. The tool produces sorted bar charts based on either
 measure, or a scatter-plot using both criteria axes.
- Arterial Congestion Ticker. This tool produces a chart of speed distributions on selected arterial routes over interact with the chart to focus-in on specific instances in time and display on a map the segments where the spee observed.

These web dashboards were accompanied by a research paper that assessed over \$30 million in user travel time and emissions benefits derived from a combination of signal retiming and adaptive system deployments. That paper was presented at the Transportation Research Board 96th Annual Meeting. Looking ahead, the groundwork laid by this project will aid the development of new business processes for assessing road network performance using emerging data sources to align with requirements of upcoming dovernment mandates on performance measures.

Travel Time Comparison Tool

Compares travel time distributions on a single corridor over different time periods

Arterial Ranking Tool

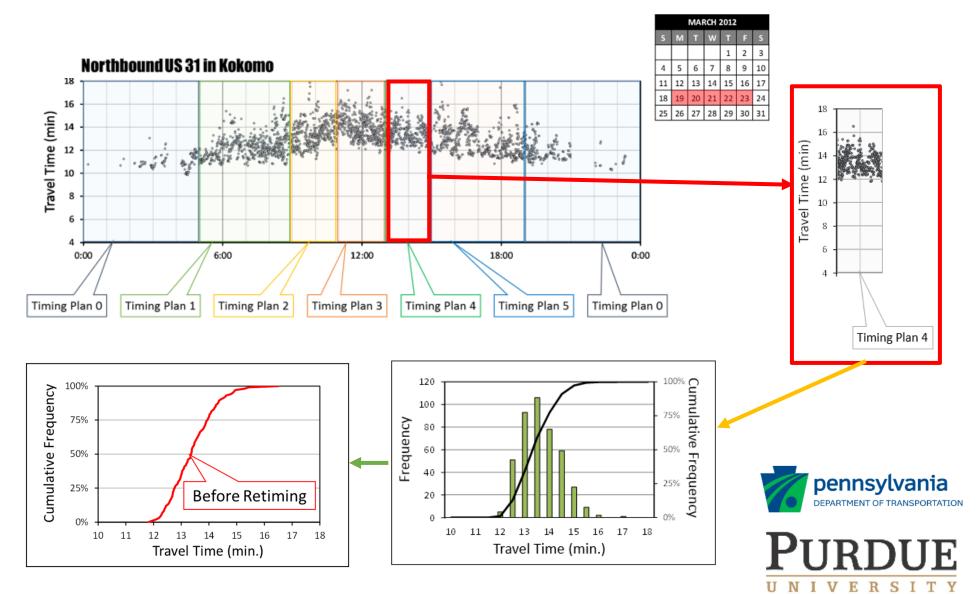
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Ranks multiple corridors based on normalized median and interquartile travel times over the same time period

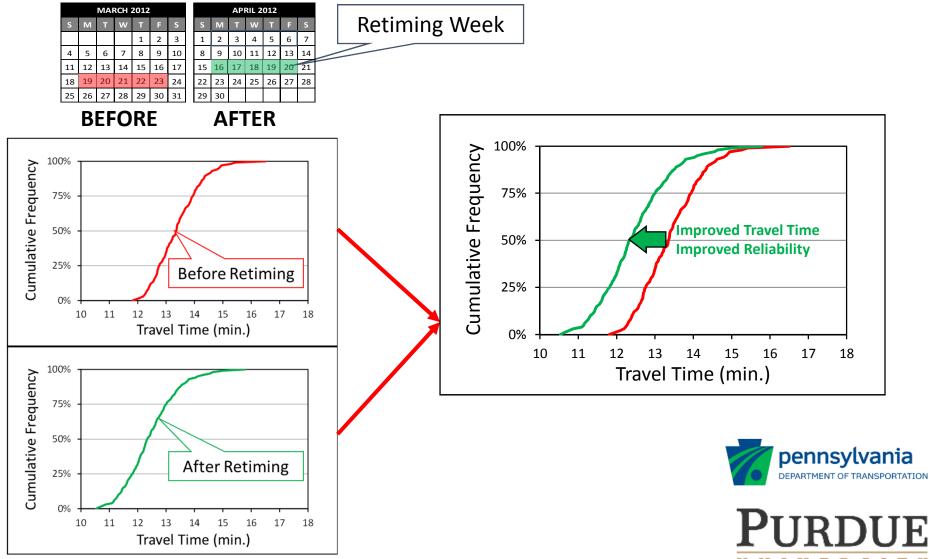
Congestion Ticker

Tracks speeds of corridors over time to identify time periods and locations of congestion





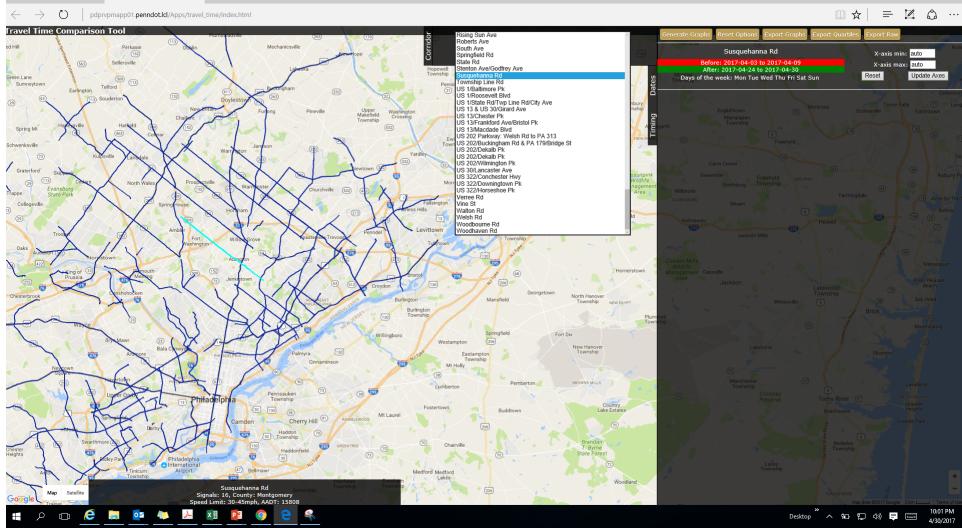




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Travel Time Comparison Tool

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Travel Time Comparison Tool

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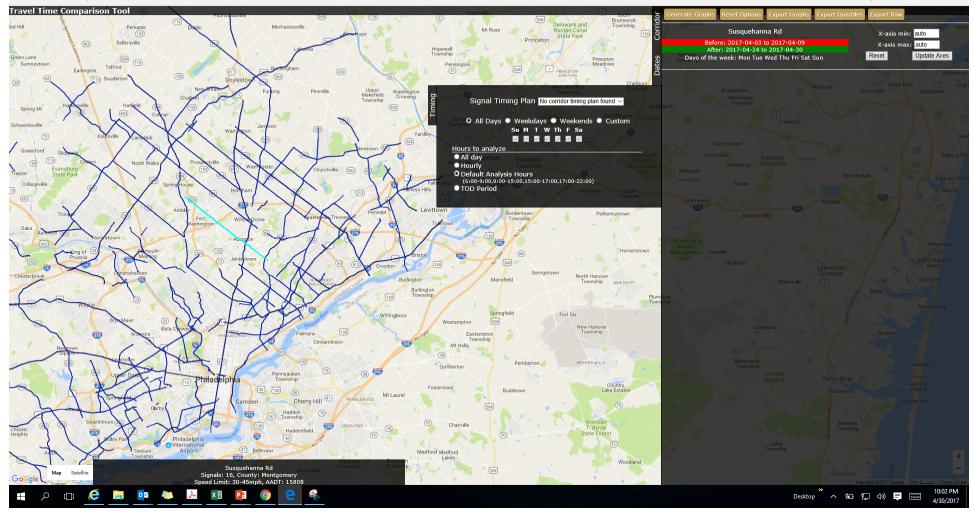
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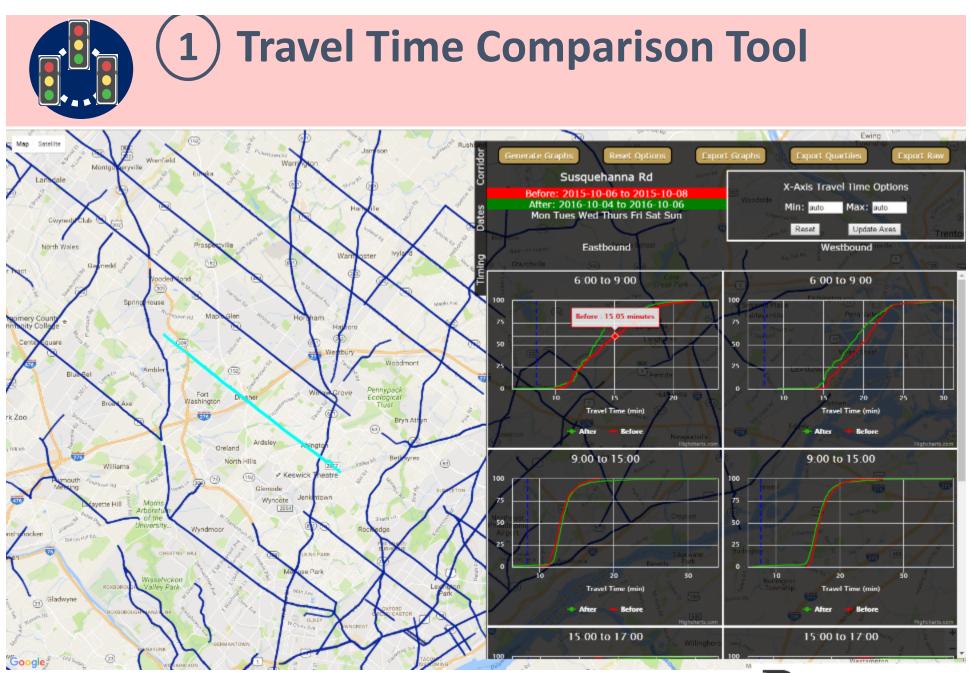
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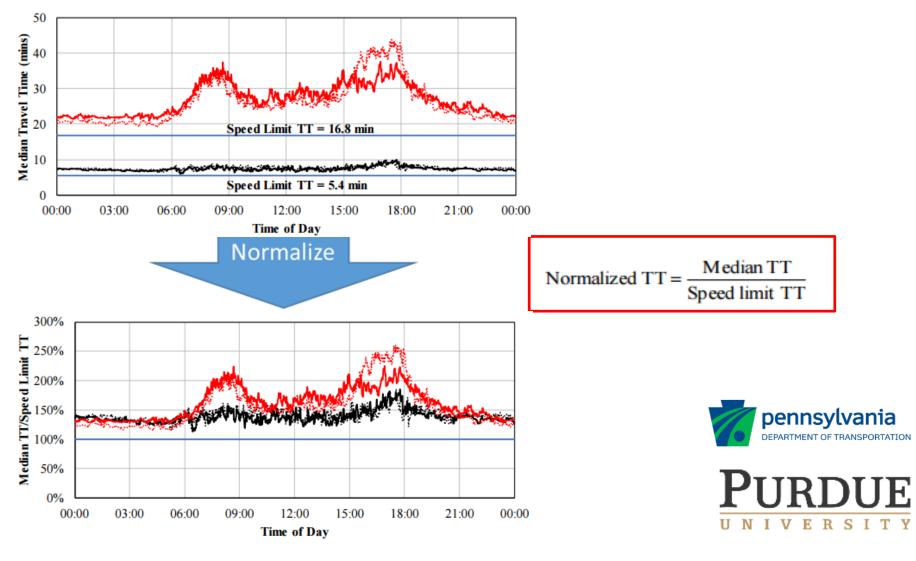






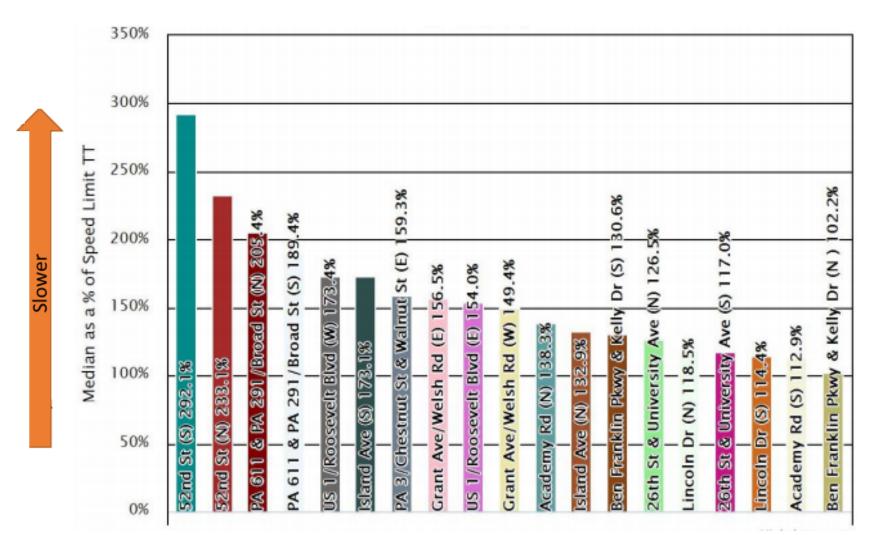
Travel Time Normalization

Median travel time and speed limit travel time on Newtown Bypass (shown in black) and US-1 (shown in red) for the study period 12/5/2016 to 12/10/2016





Travel Time Normalization Ranking

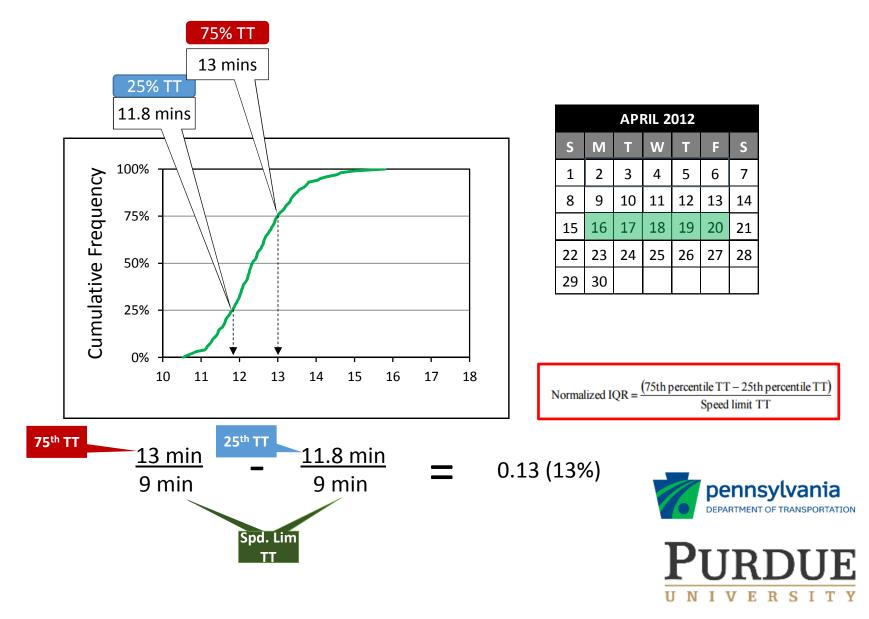






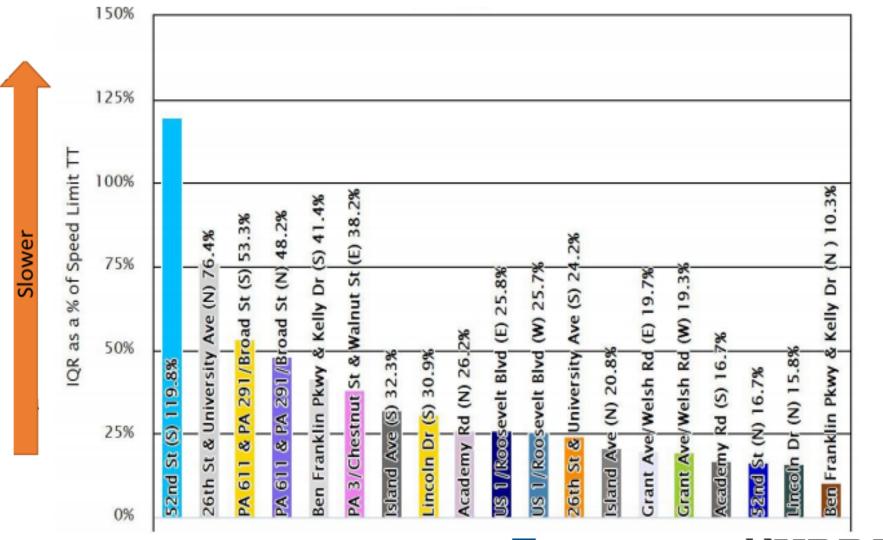


Interquartile-Range (IQR) Normalization





Interquartile-Range (IQR) Normalization Ranking





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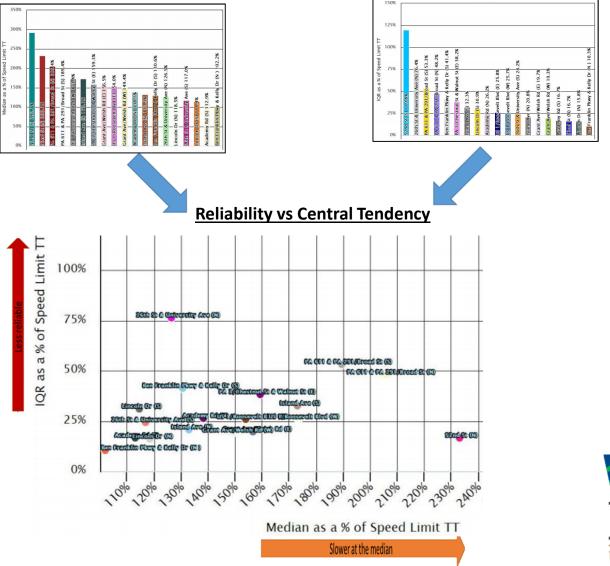
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Interquartile-Range (IQR) Normalization Ranking

Reliability vs Central Tendency

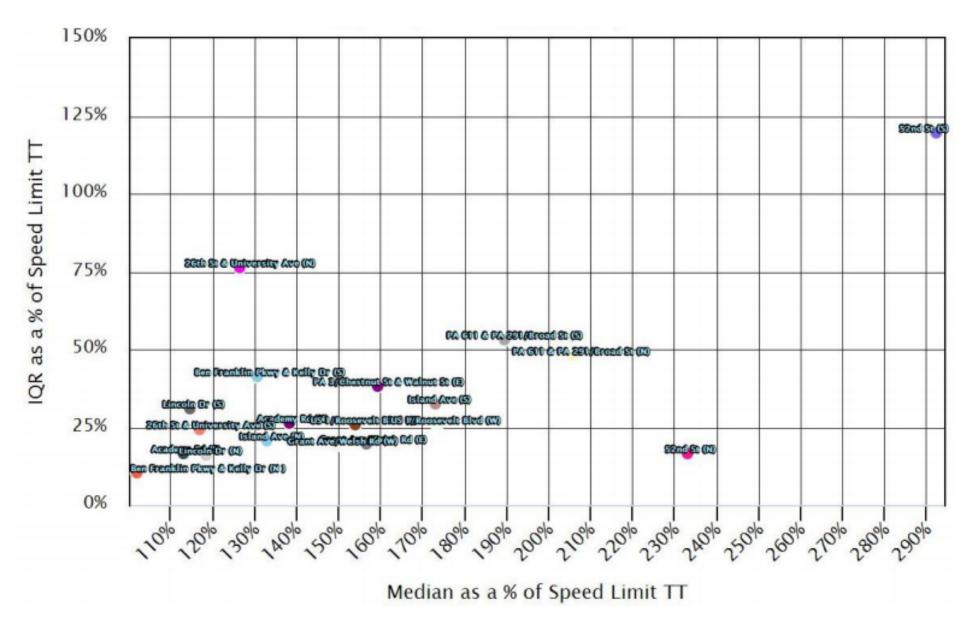
Travel Time Normalization Ranking







Reliability vs Central Tendency (Philadelphia County)

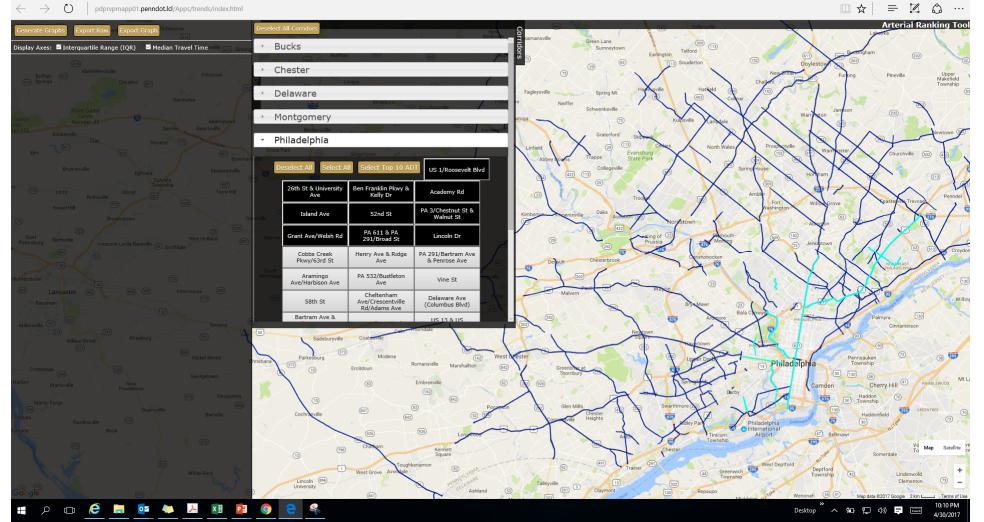




Select a County and Corridors

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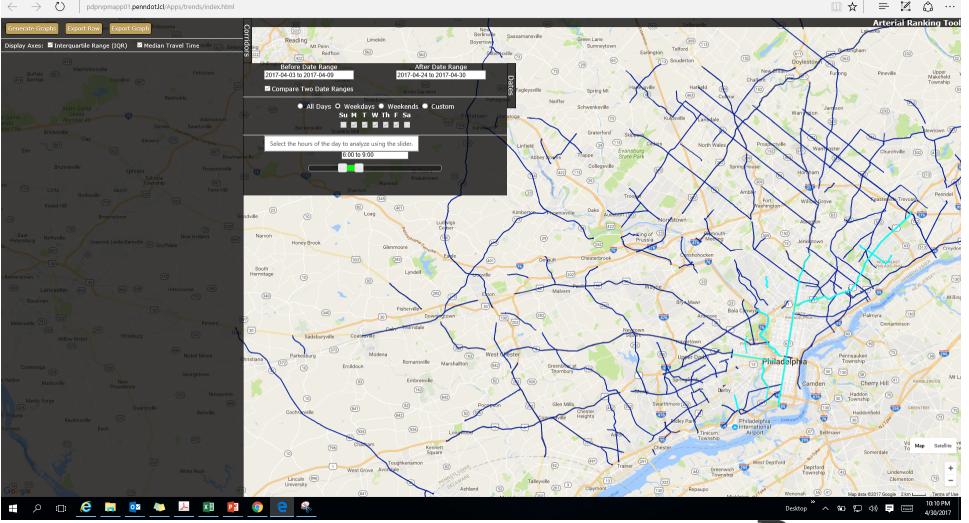
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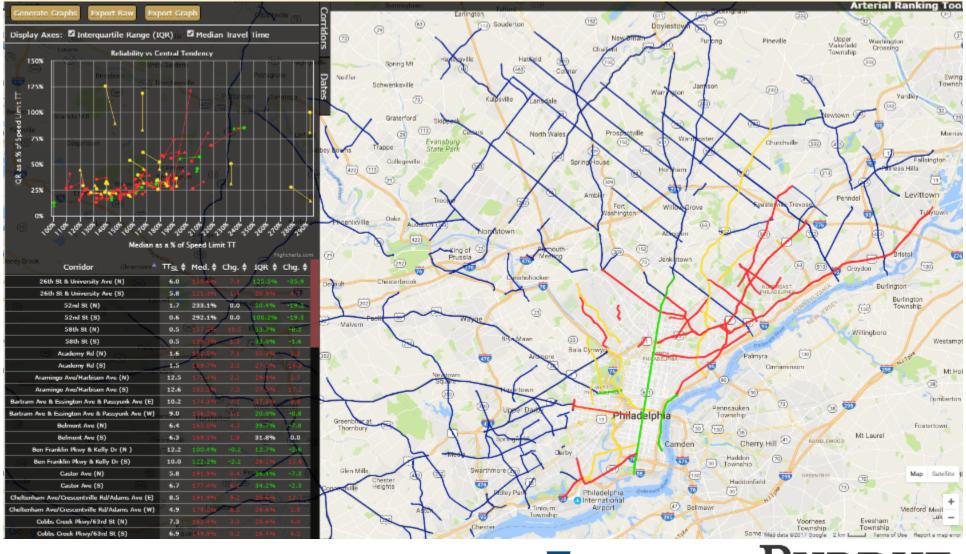
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Reliability vs Central Tendency





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(2) Arterial Ranking Tool

Interquartile-Range (IQR) Normalization Ranking

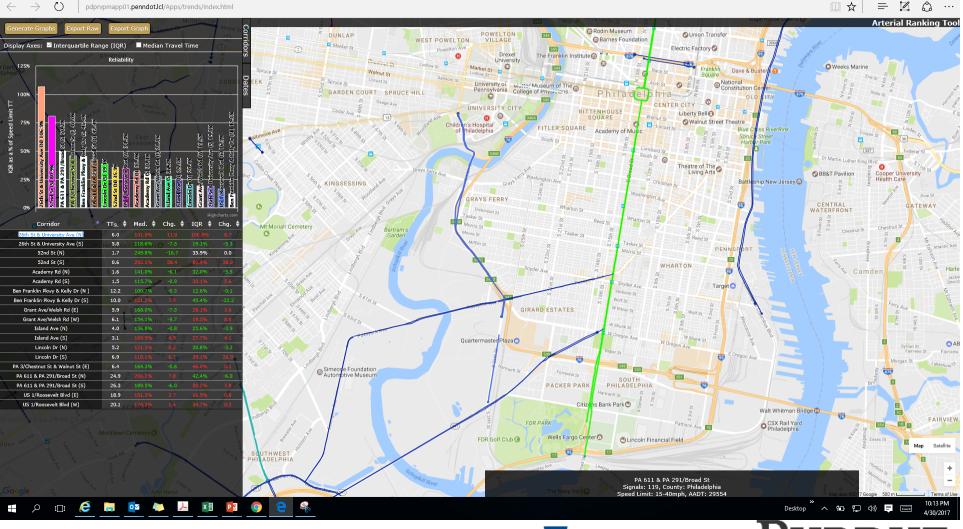
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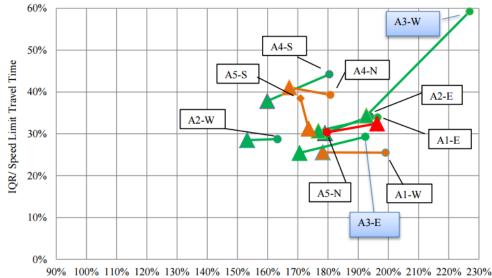


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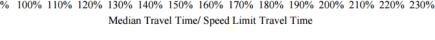
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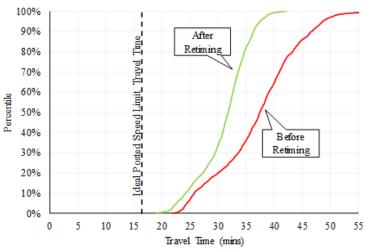


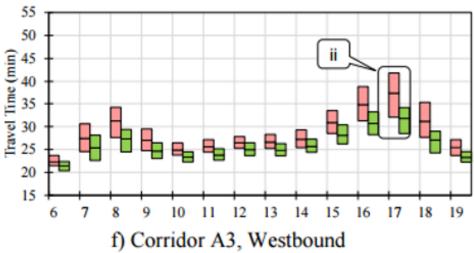
Case Study: US 1/State Rd/Township Line Rd/City Ave



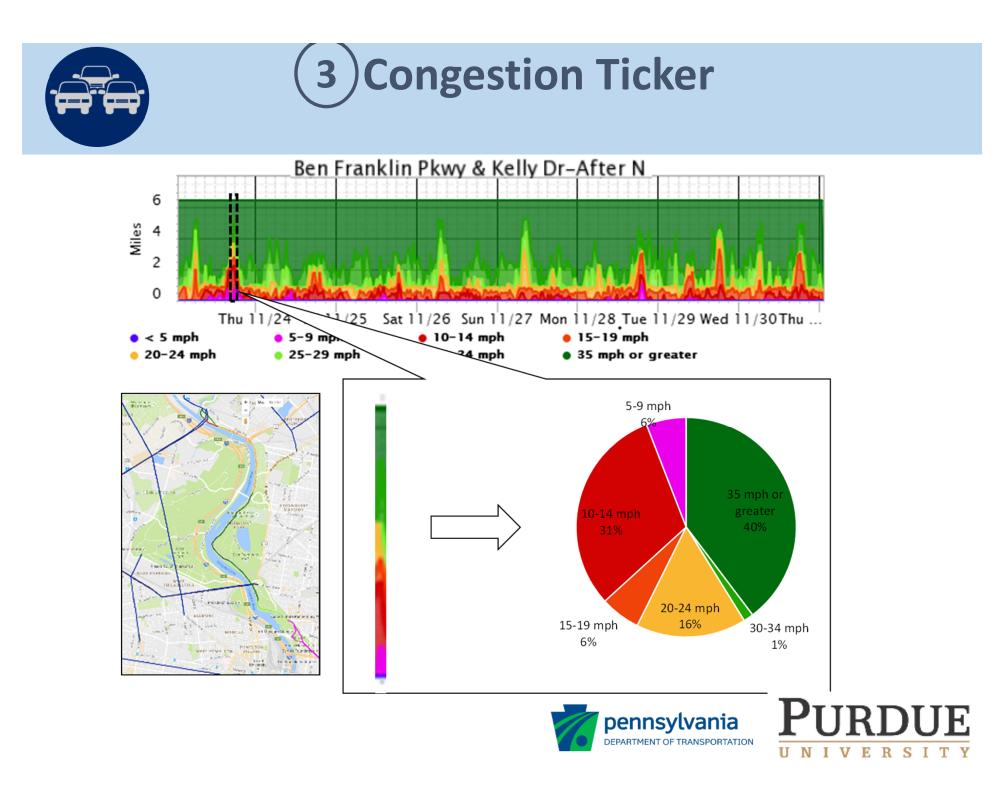
Corridor ID	Corridor Name	AADT	Length (mi)	Average Speed Limit (mph)	Signal Count (Adaptive Signals)	Before Date Range	After Date Range
A1	PA 132 / Street Rd	33,965	15.2	45	50 (21)	10/12/2015– 11/23/2015	1/4/2016– 2/15/2016
A2	PA 332 (Newtown Bypass)	35,015	4.8	53	12 (12)	2/22/2016– 4/4/2016	4/25/2016– 6/6/2016
A3	US 1/State Rd/Township Line Rd/City Ave	35,268	10.0	36	40 (4)	10/12/2015 11/23/2015	3/7/2016 4/18/2016
A4	US 202/Wilmington Pkwy	46,553	8.6	45	16 (9)	9/4/2015– 10/26/2015	1/4/2016– 2/15/2016
A5	PA 611/Old York Rd/ Easton Rd	30,919	16.3	42	68 (15)	4/27/2015– 6/8/2015	1/4/2016– 2/15/2016





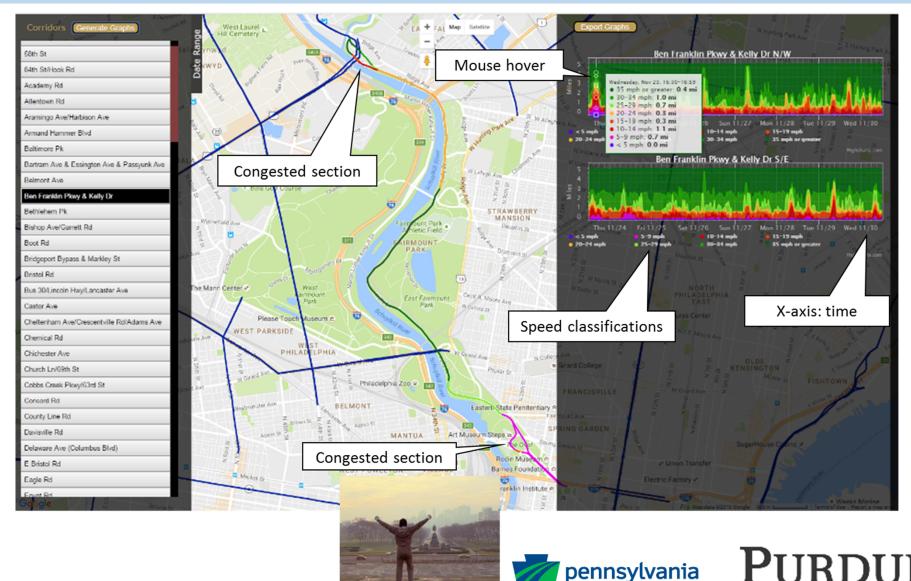


Westbound





(3)Congestion Ticker

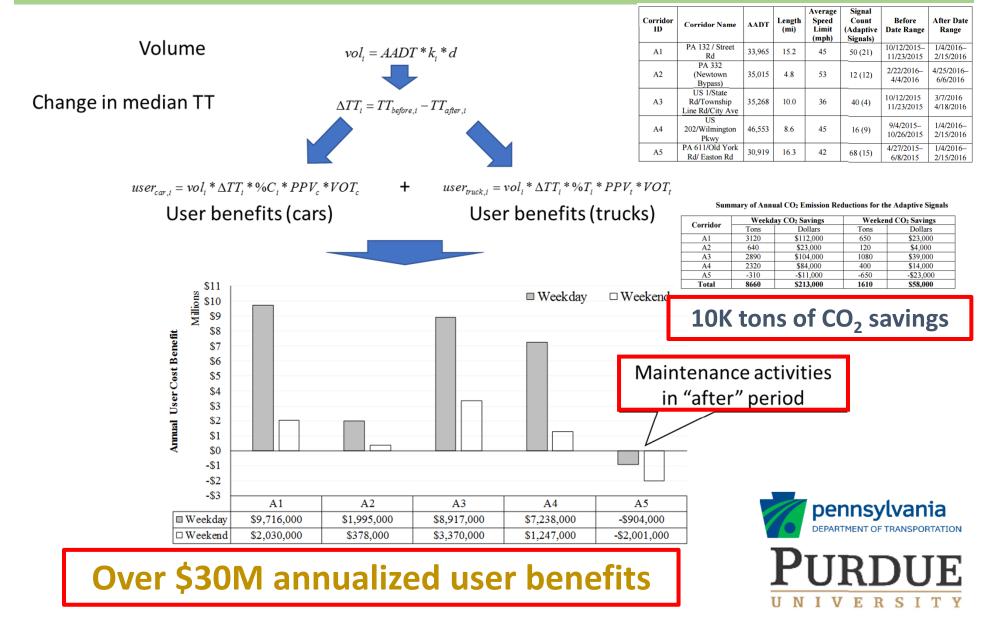


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4) Benefit Evaluation

Case Study: US 1/State Rd/Township Line Rd/City Ave





Real-World Evaluations

List of Use Applications

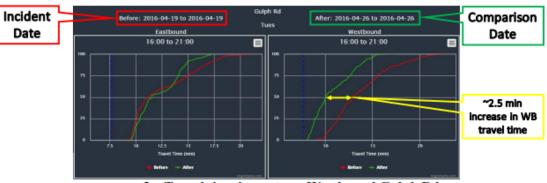
Type of Event	(1) Travel Time Comparison	(2) Arterial Ranking	(3) Congestion Ticker	
Signal Timing Plan Degradation				
Signal Maintenance and Retiming				
Adaptive Installation				
Construction Activities				
Special Events				
Crashes				
Weather Events (Winter Storms)				DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
Land Use Changes				PURDUE UNIVERSITY



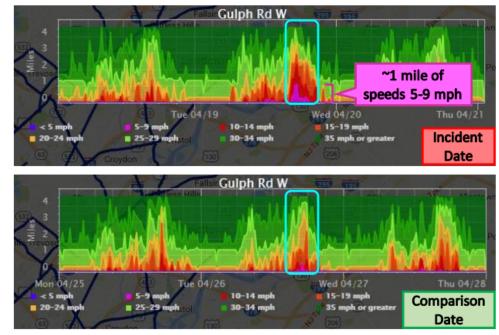
Real-World Evaluations

Incident Impacts





Travel time impacts on Westbound Gulph Rd



Congestion heat map of Westbound Gulph Rd



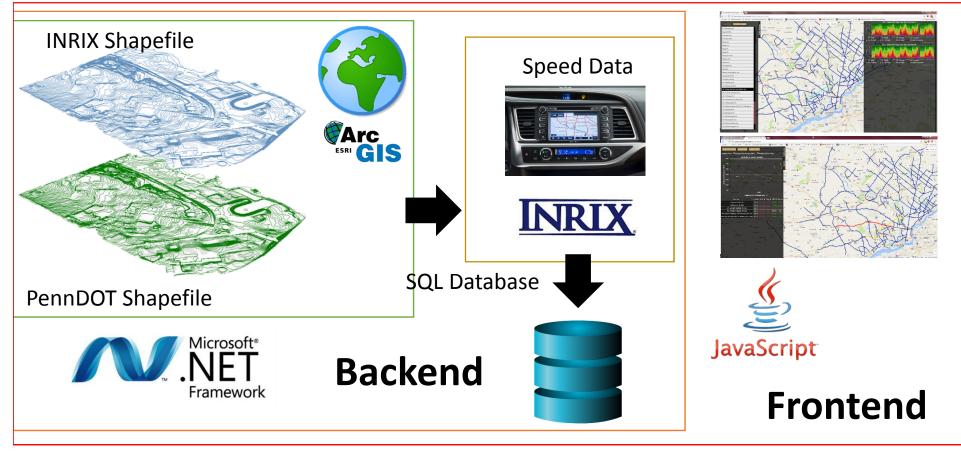




How it Works?

Overview

Developing the Dashboards





Next Steps

Phase 2 Research Efforts

- Statewide Deployment (11 additional regions)
- Further refining of filters and corridor identifiers (i.e. by counties, municipality, identification #, etc...)
- Subdividing Corridors and possible user-defined corridor selection
- Integration with Real-Time Event Data (PennDOT's RCRS)
- Executive dashboard and Automated Reports (performance at-aglance)
- Export data directly into Benefits worksheet
- Linear diagram showing relation of travel time to length and signal locations
- Integration with high-resolution signal controller event data
- Further refine Real-Time metrics and Operator flags
- Additional Metrics as identified



Questions

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Traffic Signal Portal

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2017 - Green Light-Go Program (Year 4) Program Updates and Application Period

PennDOT will be accepting applications for the 2017 Green Light-Go Funding Program (Year 3) from September 2 through November 9, 2017. The 2017 Green Light-Go Program has up to \$40 million for the competitive application and reimbursement grant program for existing traffic signal improvements such as: light-emitting diode technology and intelligent transportation applications, such as autonomous and connected vehicle-related technology, performing regional operations such as retiming, developing special event plans and monitoring traffic signals and for maintaining and operating traffic signals.

Municipalities are strongly encouraged to work with their PennDOT District Traffic Signal Unit representatives to define project scopes in a manner consistent with the program goals and requirements, which will allow PennDOT to assist applicants with refining the scope to ensure a successful project (e.g. equipment compatibility, appropriateness of project for location, etc.). A new project scoping form has been developed (see Appendix III of the Program Guidelines) to assist in this process, and the PennDOT contacts are identified in Appendix IV.

Please visit the PennDOT Traffic Signal Portal's Green Light-Go page for more information: http://www.dot.state.pa.us/Portal%20Information/Traffic%20Signal%20Portal/FUNDGLG.html.

The 2017 program continues the following updates enacted in Act 101 of 2016 (Enhancing Pennsylvania's Green Light-Go Program):

Poduction of the Municipal Match from 50% to 20%

Publications	Green Light-Go Program	Laws & Regulations
Strike-off Letters	ARLE Program	Flashing Yellow Arrow (FYA)
Traffic Engineering Forms	Approved Products Listing (eCAMMS)	Traffic Signal Training Courses
Analysis & Design (Excel Workbooks)	Manufacturer Structure Drawings	MUTCD (2009 Edition)

Traffic Signal Asset Management System (TSAMS)