

## WIMAP: Work Zone Interactive Monitoring Application

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44 **ABSTRACT**

45 This paper presents the highlights of Work Zone Interactive Monitoring Application (WIMAP).  
46 WIMAP is developed to systematically monitor the impact of long-term freeway work zone  
47 activities caused by the I-295 Direct Connection project in New Jersey. A data archive engine in  
48 WIMAP can handle not only real-time probe-based speed data from TRANSCOM(1) and  
49 TrafficCast but also traffic counts detected by Remote Traffic Microwave Sensor (RTMS) units  
50 provided by ASTI(2) and NJDOT. Historical crash and incident records provided by Plan4Safety  
51 and NJ OpenReach are also archived in the WIMAP database. In addition, collaborating with  
52 local transit agencies, multi-modal travel data is archived by WIMAP to examine the impact of  
53 work zone on multi-modal performance.

54 Through an interactive web-based interface, WIMAP is designed to provide users with  
55 instantaneous performance measure reports based on MAP-21, such as Travel Time Index,  
56 Buffer Index, Planning Time Index, and percentile Travel Time. With historical events records  
57 (e.g., incident, lane closure activity, and roadway maintenance), WIMAP also enables users to  
58 investigate the mobility impact of work zones. The prototype WIMAP is deployed for its internal  
59 beta test with currently available data sources. Once instrumenting the additional data collection  
60 devices to obtain a full set of travel time and counts data for the work zone, WIMAP will be fully  
61 functional to support a robust Transportation Management Plan for the I-295 Direct Connection  
62 project.

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## 65 INTRODUCTION

66 The Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21 Century Act (MAP-21), as the latest transportation  
67 fund authorization bill, requires each metropolitan planning organization to establish surface  
68 transportation performance targets. The effective date for all measures will be established in  
69 spring 2015 (3). Six sets of performance measures was established by MAP-21 such as national  
70 highway system (NHS) condition and performance, transit data of good repair, highway safety,  
71 transit safety, and congestion mitigation and air quality .

72 Work zone is a segment of a particular highway with activities of construction, maintenance or  
73 utilities work, whose impacts are usually referred to the deviation from the normal performance  
74 range of a given transportation network. It is estimated that work zones constitutes 10% of  
75 overall congestion, which is equivalent to over \$700 million value of fuel loss (4). With an  
76 increase presence of work zones, it is vitally important to monitor the work zone impacts, so that  
77 a suitable plan may be developed to improve mobility and safety.

78 NJDOT recently initiated the I-295 Direct Connection Project, a major highway interchange  
79 reconfiguration project for I-295/I-76/NJ-42 in Camden County. The project had commenced in  
80 March 2013 and it was expected to complete in 2021(5). Four sequential construction stages  
81 were assigned to different area of the overall construction zones. In the duration of the project,  
82 lane closure (both short-term and long-term) and traffic diversion was necessary and expected.  
83 With the anticipation of potential significant impact of the lane closure on the already saturated  
84 network, a real-time monitoring system was proposed in order to monitor traffic status, divert  
85 traffic flow, and gain readiness for emergency respond.

86 A web-based performance measure system, namely Work Zone Interactive Monitoring  
87 Application (WIMAP), was proposed, which has been developed by Intelligent Transportation  
88 System Resources Center (ITSRC) of New Jersey Institute of Technology (NJIT) in research  
89 partnership with New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT). Unlike other software  
90 developed in previous studies which will be reviewed later in this paper, WIMAP is the first  
91 web-based performance monitoring system (WPMS) specialized in work zone monitoring to  
92 capture instantaneous mobility measures proposed by MAP-21. It is tailored for NJDOT I-295  
93 Direct Connect Project and expected to be expanded to monitor work zones throughout New  
94 Jersey. By collecting, archiving and analyzing the traffic data, the impact of the long-term work  
95 zone could be subsequently studied (e.g. recurring & non-recurring congestion, incident impact,  
96 and change of traffic pattern).

97 The remainder of this paper is organized as follows. The next section presents the literature  
98 review of available WPMSs and nationwide practices in the United States. Then, the details  
99 regarding WIMAP application and its key features will be discussed. Finally, the finding and  
100 recommendations will be concluded.

## 101 LIETERATURE REVIEW

102 In this section, relevant research activities are summarized by focusing on state-of-the practice of  
103 highway mobility monitoring systems and performance measures applied for work zone projects.

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## 104 **National Practices of Highway Monitoring System**

105 Not only do WPMSs help traffic operators, engineers, and planners to obtain real-time traffic  
 106 flow information such as current and historical traffic condition, but it also facilitate road users to  
 107 plan better for their journey (i.e., route choice and departure time); and therefore alleviate the  
 108 overall congestion and achieve higher network efficiency. Four major WPMSs listed below are  
 109 reviewed:

- 110 - Iteris Performance Measurement System (iPeMS) (6)
- 111 - Vehicle Probe Project Suite (VPP Suite) (7)
- 112 - Portland Oregon Regional Transportation Archive Listing (PORTAL) (8)
- 113 - Performance Monitoring and Measurement System (PMMS). (9)

114 iPeMS (6) and its variants are used by different public transportation agencies (e.g. DOTs, Harbor  
 115 Department, and Regional Transportation Authorities, etc.) for the purposes of traffic operation  
 116 and transportation planning. It was initially developed by University of California at Berkeley in  
 117 conjunction with California Department of Transportation, which has been commercialized and  
 118 tailored to customer's specifications (10) (e.g. availability of data sources and desired  
 119 performance measure). Caltrans PeMS, a variant of iPeMS, was chosen to review Caltrans PeMS  
 120 collects data from ITS sensors (e.g. loop detectors, radars, GPS-based probes etc.) as well as  
 121 existing online databases (e.g. Traffic Accident and Surveillance Analysis System, California  
 122 Highway Patrol Incident Database, etc.) to display performance measures.

123 VPP Suite(7) , as a tool for congestion monitoring, is currently used by most state transportation  
 124 agencies which are involved in the I-95 Corridor Coalition. VPP Suite utilizes the vehicle probe  
 125 data provided by INRIX along with other data sources, such as accidents, volume counts and  
 126 weather data. The suite allows users to monitoring real-time speed, travel time index (TTI),  
 127 travel time reliability metrics, queue measurement, and bottlenecks.

128 PORTAL(8) was developed by Portland State University in conjunction with Oregon DOT. It  
 129 was designated as the Portland region's official data archiving entity. It gathers speed, volume  
 130 and occupancy data collected by inductive loop detectors which are part of the Portland region's  
 131 advanced traffic management system (ATMS). In addition, it contains a comprehensive incident  
 132 management system and transit data provided by TriMet and METAR weather data from NOAA.

133 PMMS (9) was developed by the Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) of Southern  
 134 Nevada's. It supports TMC in monitoring and controlling traffic in the Las Vegas metropolitan  
 135 area. It allows users to pull real-time and historical freeway performance information. Besides,  
 136 incident data from Nevada Highway Patrol dispatcher is collected and archived in its  
 137 database(11). The data sources and their respective performance measures are summarized in  
 138 Table 1.

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Table 1 Summary of Existing WPMS

WPMS	Data Sources	Mobility Performance Measure	MAP-21 Performance Measure	Other Performance Measure
iPeMS (based on Caltrans PeMS)	- Remote Traffic Microwave Sensor (RTMS) - WIM stations - GPS-based probes - Loop detectors - TASAS - CHP - Weather	- Speed - Queue - Delay - Occupancy - VHT - VMT	- Travel time index - Buffer index	- Accident - Lost productivity
VPP Suite	- INRIX data - HPMS(AADT data) (12) - Loop detectors - Radars - Weather - Agencies data	- Speed - 95th percentile speed	- Travel time index - Buffer index - Planning time index	- Throughput Productivity
PORTAL	- In-house incident database - Loop detectors - TriMet vehicle information data(13) - METAR weather data(14)	- 15-min average speed - 5-min delay - 5-min travel time - 95th percentile travel time - Congestion frequency - VHT - VMT	N/A	N/A
PMMS	- RTMS - Loop detector - Bluetooth reader - NHP - CCTV Cameras - Weather	- Daily average peak hours speed - Hourly average speed - Overall freeway average speed congestion	N/A	N/A

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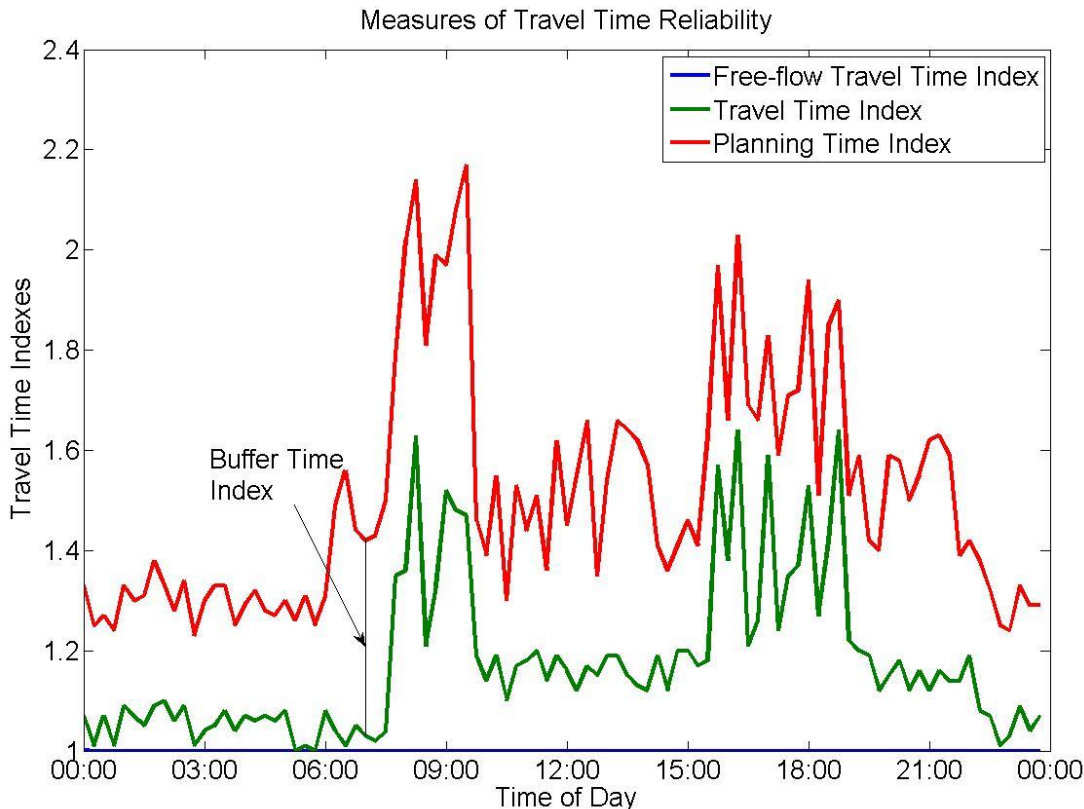
143 **Performance Measures**

144 Speed is the intuitive performance measure when it comes to mobility and it is used by multiple  
145 WPMSs. Spot speed (i.e., time mean speed) collected by ITS device such as RTMS is an  
146 accurate representation of the speed of certain spot. However, spot speed is rarely meaningful in  
147 practices, especially when it comes to a long stretch of roadway. In that sense, space mean speed  
148 would be suitable for such long segment cases. While space mean speed is the most easily-  
149 obtained speed, it often produce a statistical bias particularly when applied to a long stretch of

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150 roadway(15). That is, space mean speed may likely suffer from the risk of overly homogenizing  
151 the speed. In order to avoid biased estimation as possible as practically allowed, 15<sup>th</sup> percentile,  
152 85<sup>th</sup> percentile, and 95<sup>th</sup> percentile are often used along with space mean speed to preserve the  
153 fidelity of the population. PMMS plots the 15<sup>th</sup> percentile and 85<sup>th</sup> percentile speeds which are  
154 applied to demonstrate the predominant speed range. PORTAL uses 15-min average speed as  
155 one of the mobility performance measure to display it in the real-time speed map. VPP Suite  
156 provides both mean speed and 95<sup>th</sup> percentile speed, while Caltrans PeMS only uses mean speed  
157 for the time being.

158 Travel time is another straightforward mobility performance measure for travelers. More than  
159 likely, travelers are assumed making the route decision based on travel time. Average travel time  
160 could be somehow misleading in congested network, especially during peak hours of the day.  
161 Aiming to promote a performance measure which provides more accurate and practical  
162 information, MAP-21 proposes the use of travel time index, buffer index, and planning index to  
163 represent the network performance. They are the most effective methods to measure travel time  
164 reliability(16). The 95<sup>th</sup> percentile travel time is applied to measure the delay for a specific  
165 roadway during the heaviest traffic days. It is also used as the worst day traveling indicator on  
166 particular roadway in a certain month. Buffer time index represents the extra time must be  
167 considered to ensure an on-time arrival at traveler's destination. Planning time index is the total  
168 time that a traveler should plan to ensure on-time arrival, expressed as a ratio of the planned total  
169 travel time and free-flow travel time of particular roadway. Figure 1 is a demonstration of the  
170 relationship between planning time Index and buffer time index. It is shown that an increasing  
171 number of agencies throughout the country have begun using the travel time reliability indices,  
172 such as Federal Highway Administration, Minnesota DOT, and Washington State DOT. A study  
173 conducted by MN/DOT indicated that using travel time reliability indices, instead of average  
174 travel time, gained operational improvements(16).



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Figure 1 Travel Time Reliability Measures (synthesized data)

177 Congestion, as opposed to mobility, is also commonly used to measure or quantify the  
 178 congestion in the network, WPESs use different indicators. Caltrans PeMS provides an algorithm  
 179 to calculated delay based on user-defined reference speed. It also provides queue measure which  
 180 is the ratio of VMT and VHT and it can be computed both in single location and over many  
 181 different links. PMMS used a pre-defined four speed categories to classify congestions.  
 182 PORTAL uses congestion frequency as an indicator of congestion. Besides traditional measures,  
 183 the concept of productivity was introduced to the performance measure. However, such social-  
 184 economics performance measures various among different geographical locations as well as  
 185 demography.

186 When it comes to safety performance measure, iPeMS displays real-time accident information on  
 187 the live traffic map by scraping data from TASAS(17) and CHP database. PMMS obtain  
 188 incident data from the Traffic Incident Management Coalition, an agreement between the  
 189 Nevada DOT and Nevada Highway Patrol. PORTAL and VPP suite do not have dedicated  
 190 module for safety measure.

191 It is our anticipation that more and more WPMSs will emerge as the desire for real-time traffic  
 192 monitoring and cost reduction of ITS devices increases. WPMSs will emulate among their peers  
 193 in providing non-technical-user-friendly interface and enhanced visual presentations. There is,  
 194 however, none of the available provides a dedicated platform for monitoring long-term work

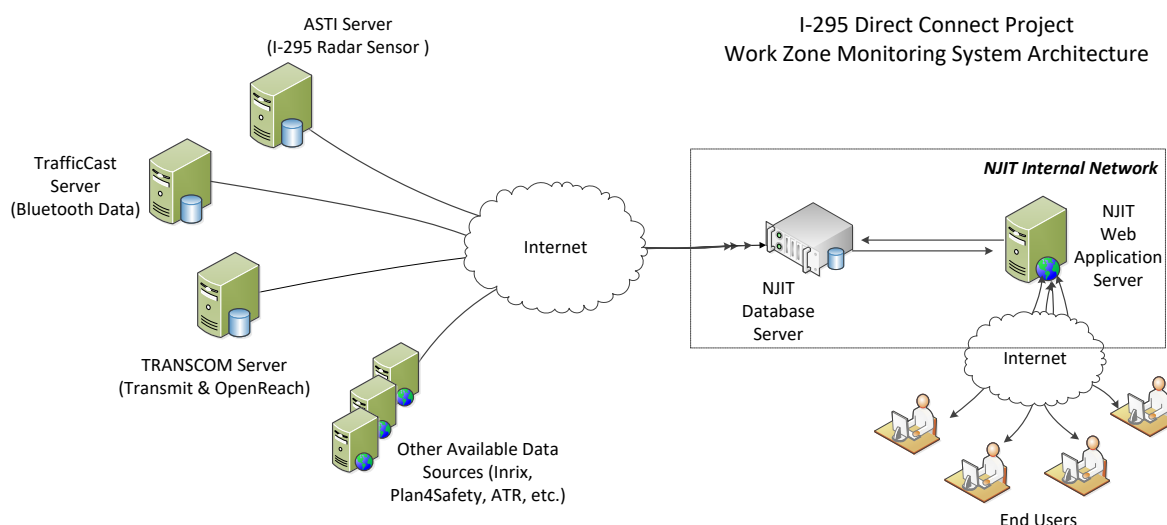
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195 zone area as well as its potential impacts. WIMAP was, subsequently developed to fill such gaps  
 196 and it is expected to exemplify the real-time work zone monitoring practices nationwide.  
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## 198 WIMAP SYSTEM

### 199 Overview

200 WIMAP is a web-based work zone monitoring system dealing with data management and  
 201 performance evaluation of I-295 work zone in New Jersey. The system architecture of WIMAP  
 202 is shown in Figure 2. WIMAP has dedicated high-end servers for rapid database managements  
 203 and the on-line implementation of its applications that will be explained in the next sections.  
 204 Data from multiple data sources is being collected and transmitted to the database server housed  
 205 in NJIT; users are able to access the data by web-based applications on an application server  
 206 through Internet; the application server retrieves data and performs computation requested by  
 207 users.



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209 Figure 2 WIMAP System Architecture

### 210 Data Sources

211 One of the key features of WIMAP is the incorporation of multiple data. The real-time and  
 212 historical traffic flow data are constantly being collected, archived and analyzed in the database  
 213 server in NJIT. The primary data sources as of July 2014 for WIMAP are listed below

- 214 - RTMS data
- 215 - Bluetooth data
- 216 - Electronic Toll Collection(ETC) Tag data (a.k.a., TRANSMIT)
- 217 - Variable message sign (VMS) data



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218 - OpenReach event data

219 - Plan4Safety (accident) data

220 RTMS data provides the spot speed, traffic volume, occupancy for each lane of both directions.

221 RTMS' are among the non-traffic-disruptive traffic flow monitoring technologies. They are

222 typically deployed on the overhead area (light pole etc.) and the microwave is sent out

223 intermittently to capture traffic flow information such as spot speed, lane occupancy, and traffic

224 counts. In current, NJ-DOT deployed 12 RTMS devices to gather traffic counts, spot speed, and

225 occupancy of the westbound of I-295.

226 Bluetooth has been recognized as a global standard protocol suitable for mid- to short-range

227 wireless communications between two mobile devices (e.g., laptop, smartphone, or tablet PC).

228 One of unique features of Bluetooth is to sense the identification of those devices by capturing

229 their Medium Access Control (MAC) address without data authentication procedure. The travel

230 time can be calculated, once a MAC address is detected by different Bluetooth readers in

231 different locations. In this paper, Bluetooth data provided by a commercial vendor, TrafficCast,

232 are being collected in and around I-295 work zone area. It is reported that the reported MAC

233 address matching rate of is BlueTOAD approximately 4% of the daily traffic stream (18).

234 Currently, a total of 41 Bluetooth readers are installed, or planned to be installed, in and around

235 the construction site of I-295 work zone area to capture route travel times and estimate route

236 diversions by pairing each reader.

237 In addition to the Bluetooth readers, 10 Electronic Toll Collection (ETC; a.k.a., TRANSMIT) tag

238 readers are also in operation to provide high-fidelity travel time information for those segments

239 not covered by Bluetooth readers. Centralized Traffic Signal System (CTSS) and Adaptive

240 Signal Control Technology (ASCT) that will be installed on local highways around I-295 (e.g.,

241 US130 and NJ168) can be also exploited to collect traffic count data on major alternative

242 arterials. Table 2 summarizes the number of data collection devices currently deployed and

243 Figure 3 demonstrates the locations of such devices in and around the work zone area. It must be

244 noted that as shown in Figure 3(a), the current deployment of RTMS devices are on the east side

245 of I-295 work zone which would be insufficient to fully cover incoming and outgoing traffics for

246 the work zone area. To handle this issue, additional 9 RTMS devices are newly instrumented on

247 major roadway segment as demonstrated in Figure 3(b).

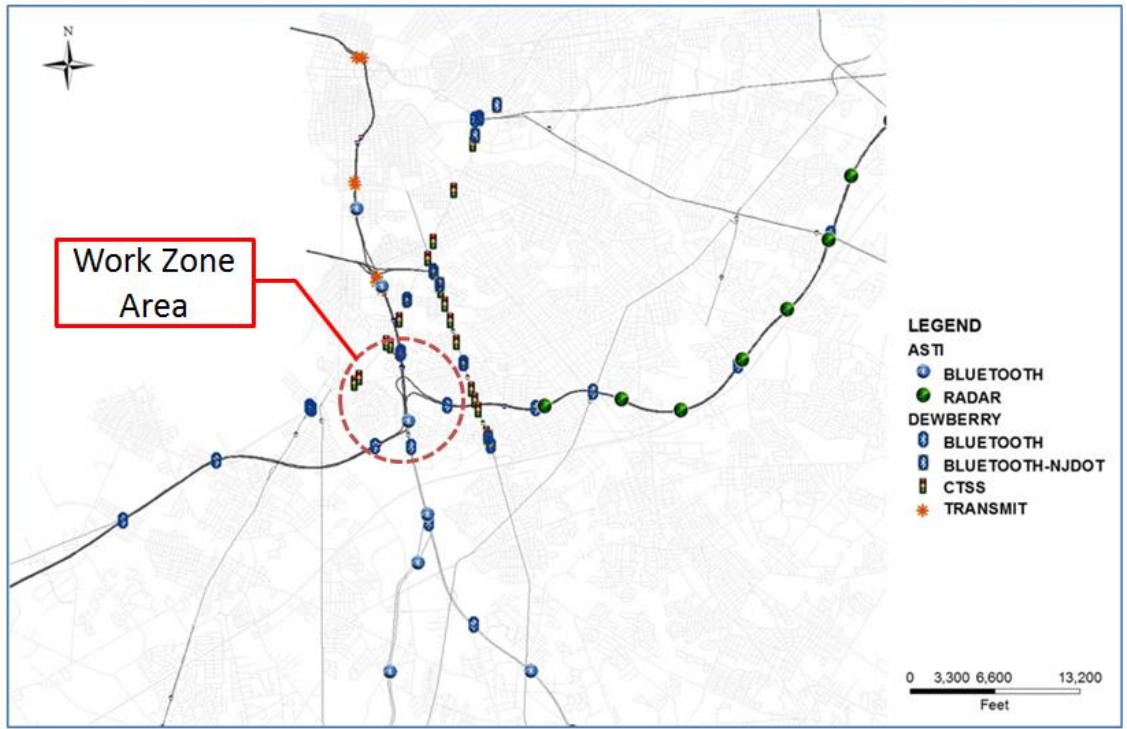
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Table 2 Number of Data Collection Devices

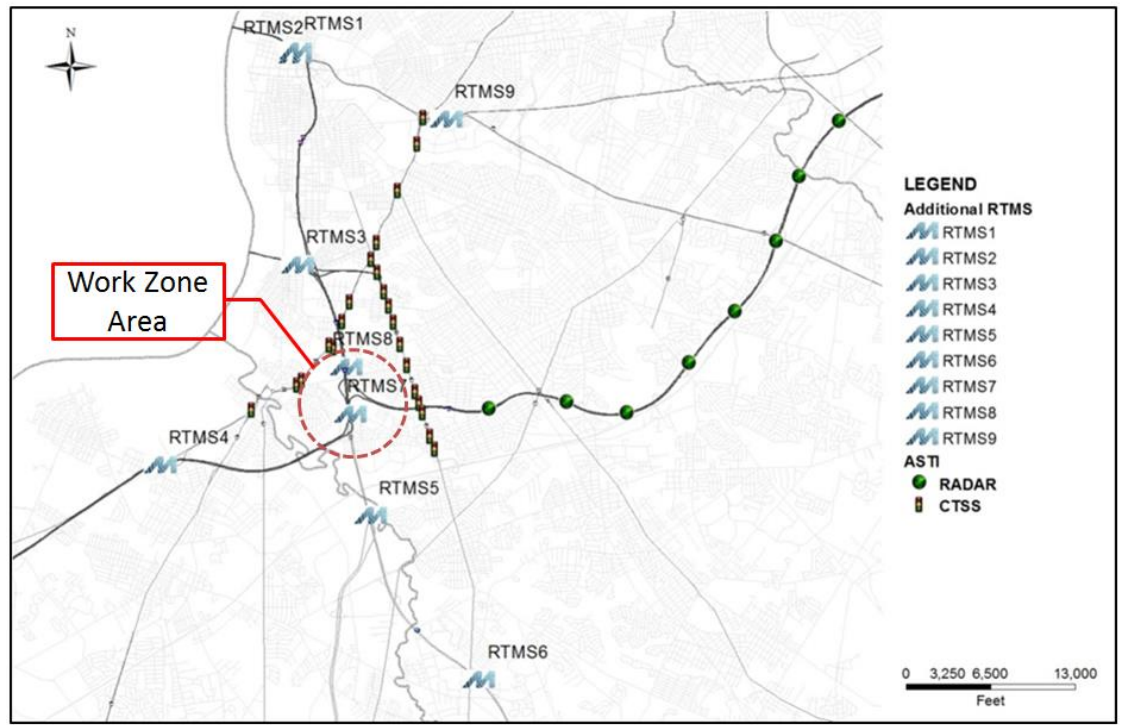
Device Type	Number of Device
Bluetooth	41
RTMS	12
RTMS(Additional)	9
TRANSMIT (Electronic toll tag)	10
CTSS/ASCT	23

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(a) Existing Data Collection Device (Bluetooth, RTMS, CTSS, ETC Tag)



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(b) Planed RTMS Devices (RTMS 1 through 9)

Figure 3 Locations of Data Collection Device

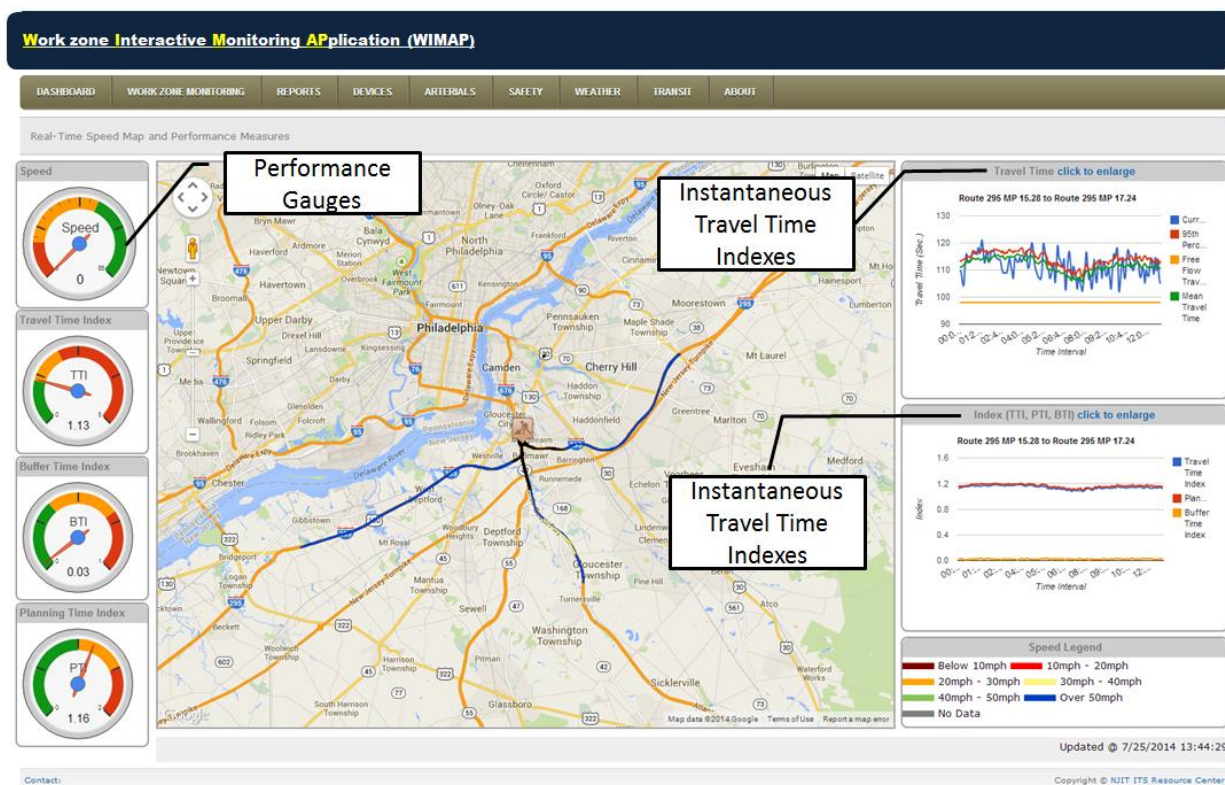
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257 In addition to data collected by the newly-deployed ITS devices, WIMAP also incorporates  
 258 OpenReach and Plan4Safety data. OpenReach and Plan4Safety are both related to traffic  
 259 incidents. The difference is: OpenReach is a real-time basis system which focuses on work zone  
 260 related information and is updated every 2 minutes; while Plan4Safety is a historical dataset  
 261 concerning crash records.

## 262 Major Modules

### 263 Dashboard

264 The snapshot of WIMAP dashboard is shown in Figure 4. This intuitive web-based interface  
 265 serves as a portal and allow user to retrieve and display real-time traffic information. Users can  
 266 select the instrumented roadway segment of interest by clicking and then all the available  
 267 performance measure is shown. It was developed in Microsoft's Visual Studio 2012 with the  
 268 incorporation of Microsoft ASP.Net, Google Maps and Google Charts.

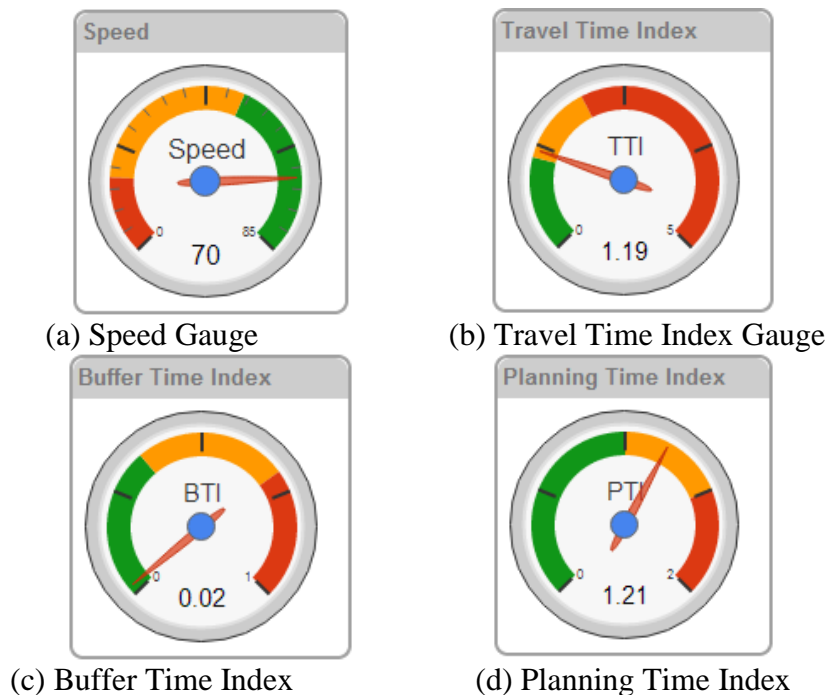


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Figure 4 WIMAP Dashboard

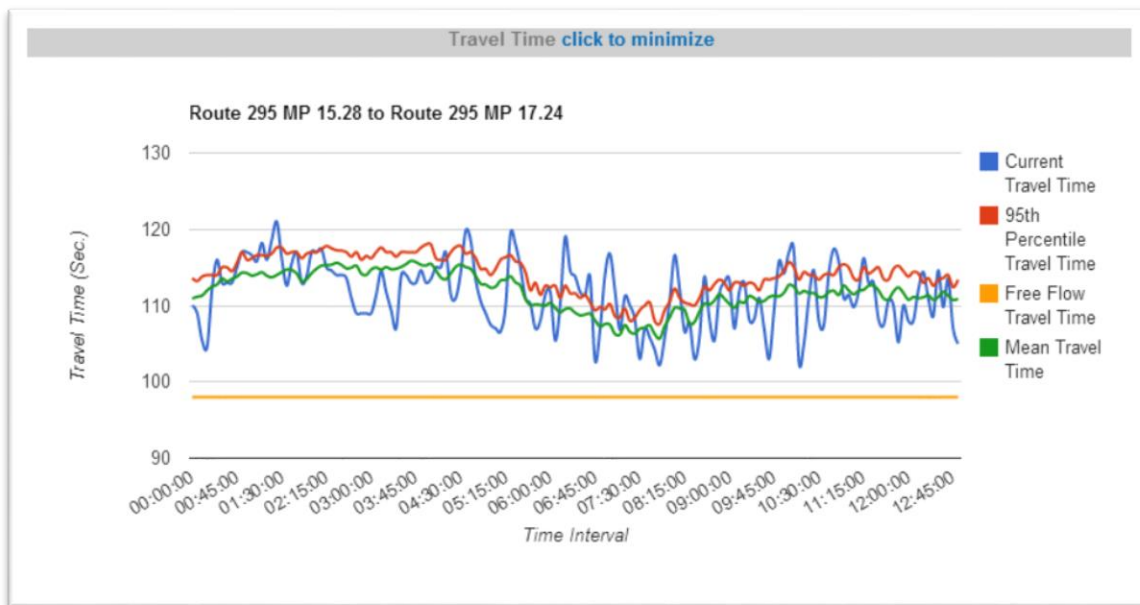
271 A google map-based real-time traffic map in the proximity of the work zone is shown in the  
 272 center of the dashboard. The traffic information is updated automatically for every two minutes.  
 273 Four performance gauges are displayed in the left side of the map, providing real-time speed,  
 274 travel time index, buffer time index and planning index of selected roadway segment  
 275 respectively as shown in Figure 5. The right hand side shows the time-series plotting of the

276 performance measures. The upper chart in the column shown in Figure 6(a) displays the current  
 277 travel time, 95<sup>th</sup> percentile travel time, free-flow travel time and mean travel time until the  
 278 current time of the day; while on the lower chart, the index performance measures are shown,  
 279 including travel time index, planning time index and buffer time index. Users can toggle any of  
 280 these performance measures as desired for personalized display.



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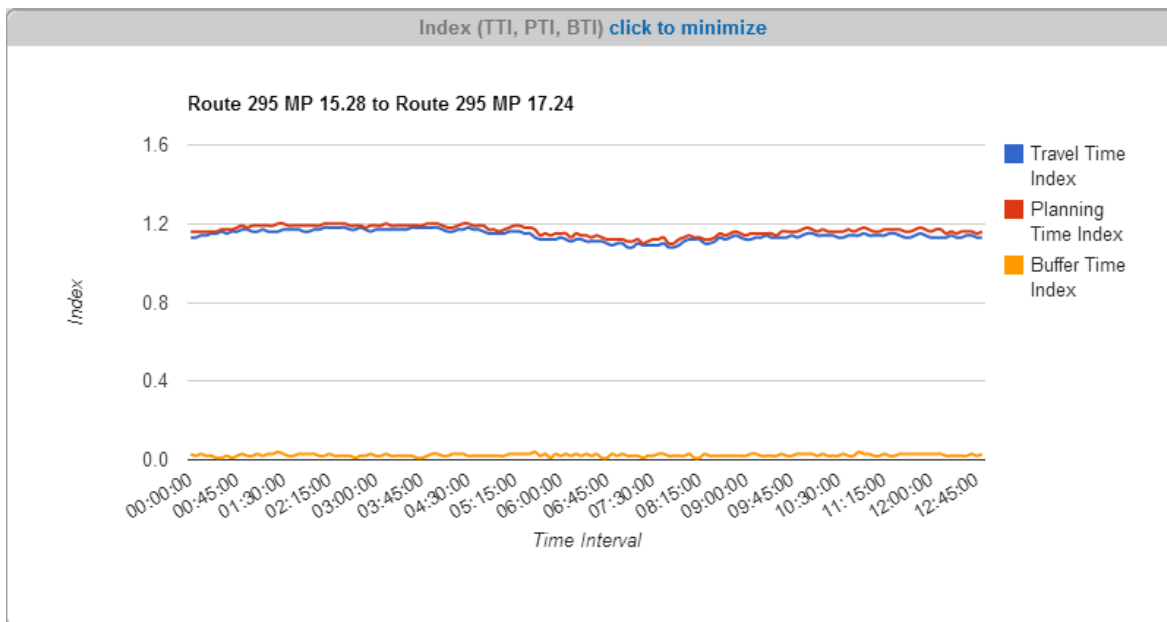
Figure 5 WIMAP Performance Measure Gauges



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(a) Travel Time Charts (Current, 95%, Free Flow, and Mean Travel Times)



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(b) Index Charts (Travel Times, Planning Time, and Buffer Index Times)

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Figure 6 Performance Measure Charts

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288 *Congestion Comparison Map*

289 With WIMAP, users can interactively examine the current traffic congestion conditions by  
 290 comparing it with archived historical data. In the map-based comparison module, the users are  
 291 able to select the range of the historical date, day of the week for comparison in geo-spatial  
 292 format. An average speed map for the last 5 weeks is generated alongside with the current live-  
 293 traffic speed map as shown in Figure 7. Users are able to specify the certain data for the day of  
 294 the week among historical data to tailor intended investigation.

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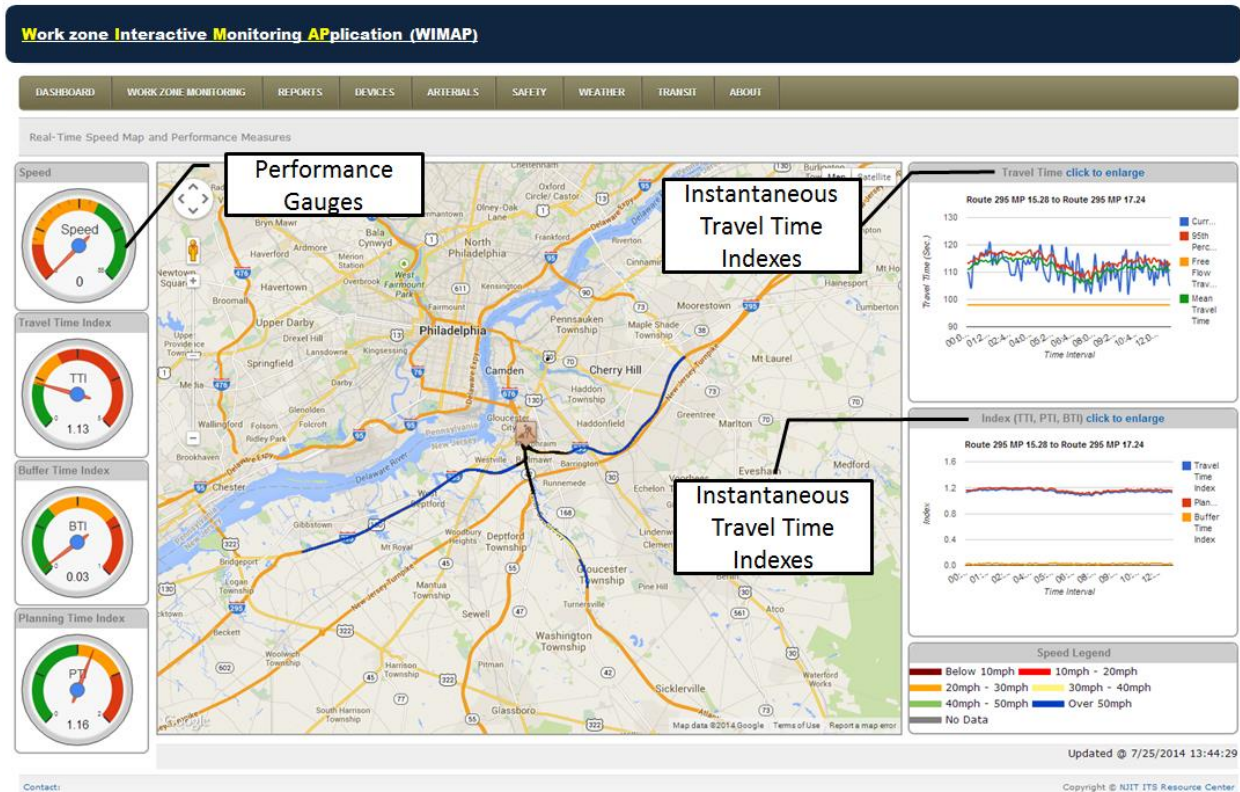
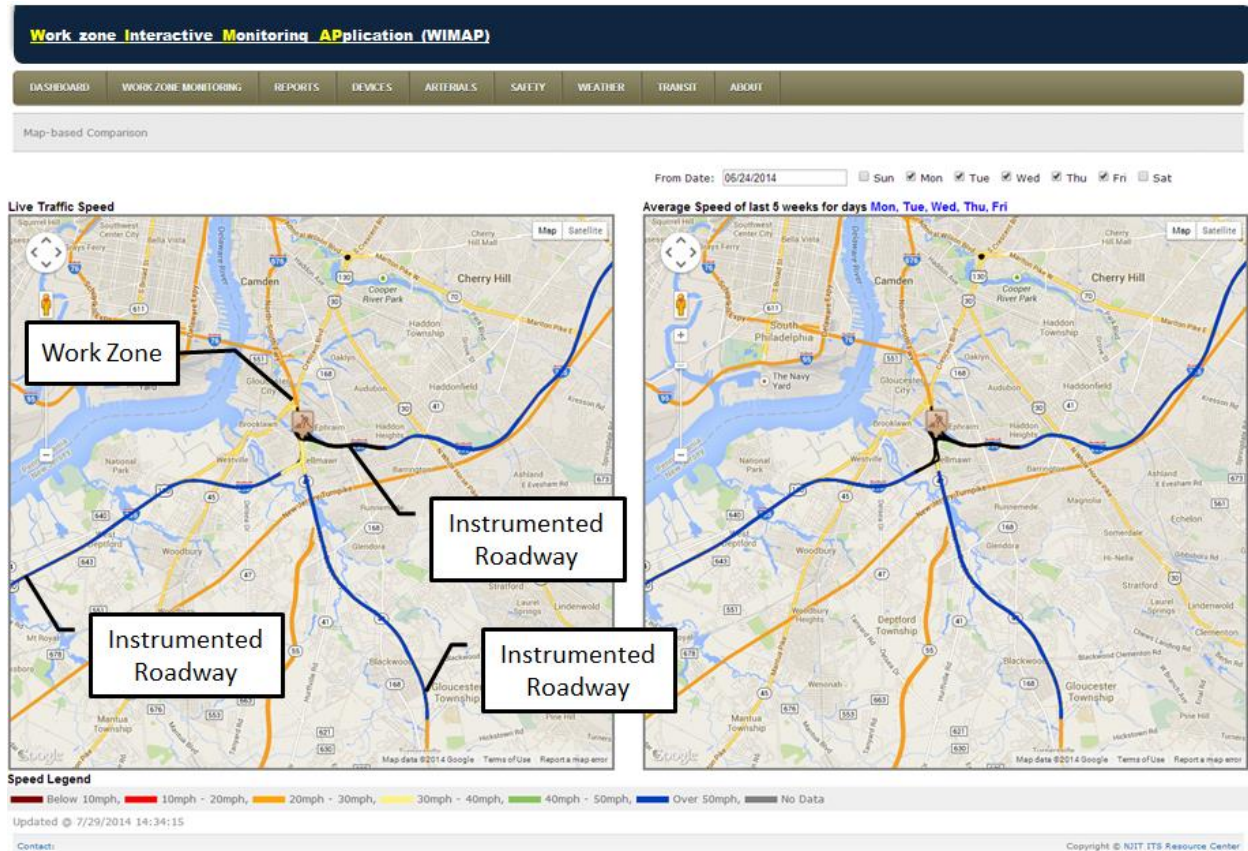


Figure 7 Comparison Map

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### 299 *Report Generator*

300 Besides the real-time information, historical data is vitally important for stakeholder and  
 301 transportation practitioners. WIMAP is programmed to automatically generate weekly and  
 302 monthly performance summary at system specify interval. Moreover, in the customized report  
 303 generator, users can specify the roadway segment of interest and the time period and WIMAP  
 304 generates the performance chart. It is worth mentioning that WIMAP has incorporated different  
 305 traffic incident databased. According to the records (location and time of the day information  
 306 etc.), WIMAP will display such incidents in the performance chart, if data is available.  
 307 Furthermore, WIMAP allows user to generate customized reported as specified on the webpage.  
 308 For those who plan to perform more personalized data manipulation, historical data is made  
 309 available for download to authorized users. Figure 8 demonstrates the snapshot of WIMAP  
 310 Report Generator.



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Figure 8 Report Generated by WIMAP

313 *Safety Monitoring*

314 WIMAP is archiving the OpenReach real-time traffic event data from TRANSCOM(19) with 2-  
 315 minute interval. Besides real-time data, Plan4Safety historical incident data is also collected and  
 316 stored in the database for display in the performance charts as shown in Figure 8 above. It is  
 317 envisioned that the real-time incident data will serve as pop-up window (as an indicator to  
 318 operators) in the TMC monitoring screens and also display in the animation playback of  
 319 historical data to provide a better understanding on incident impact as well as work zone  
 320 activities impact.

321 *Device Status*

322 The device status module provides users with information regarding the status of Bluetooth and  
 323 RTMS device deployed in the proximity of the work zone, including device location, operational  
 324 status in a user-friendly map-based interface. It provides real-time information regarding the  
 325 devices for easy maintenance.

326 **Incoming Applications**

327 *Dynamic Origin-Destination Flow Estimation*

328 Origin-destination flow is one of the most crucial elements for transportation planning and traffic  
 329 management. Particularly in traffic monitoring for a long term work zone activity, tracking the  
 330 mid- and long-term changes of origin-destination flows would be the most suitable indicator for  
 331 evaluating the effectiveness of work zone congestion mitigation strategies. WIMAP has an  
 332 application to perform the estimation of a dynamic origin-demand table on a daily basis for the I-  
 333 295 work zone area by using route selection information collected from the multiple Bluetooth  
 334 readers and link count data.

335 In Bluetooth traffic monitoring scheme, one can track the most-travelled path for each O-D pair  
 336 by anonymously recording the unique MAC address of the mobile device in the network. In  
 337 Barceló's study(20), a similar approach is adopted to generate a subset of the most likely O-D  
 338 path flow from Bluetooth readers. To this end, a list of trip samples captured from Bluetooth  
 339 sensors is generated to produce a route-link index matrix, denoted by **A** (an example shown in  
 340 Table 3), by incorporating traffic volume counts from RTMS sensors as demonstrated in vector  
 341 **B**. It must be noted that the links in the route-link matrix indicate roadway segments where  
 342 RTMS devices are deployed unlike the traditional concept of link in graph theory.

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Table 3 Example of Route-Link Index Matrix

O	D	Route	Link 1	Link 2	Link 3	Link 4	...
1	1	1	$P_{11}$	$P_{12}$	$P_{13}$	$P_{14}$	.
	2	2	$P_{21}$	$P_{22}$	$P_{23}$	$P_{24}$	.
.	1	3	$P_{31}$	$P_{32}$	$P_{33}$	$P_{34}$	.
	.	.	.	.	.	.	$P_{ij}$

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346 A route-link index,  $P_{ij}$ , for an OD pair, is determined by Equation (1).

$$347 \quad P_{ij}^k = \frac{\rho V_j}{\rho \sum_j^n V_j} \quad (1)$$

348 where,

$$349 \quad \rho = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if link } j \text{ is not used by route } i \text{ during the time period } k \\ 1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

350  $i$  : route number

351  $j$  : link number and

352  $V$  : Vehicles captured by Bluetooth readers

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354 Given link counts data from RTMS, denoted by vector **B**, the traffic flow for each OD pair is  
 355 obtained by solving a constrained linear least-squares problem as shown in Equation (2).



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356  $\mathbf{A}^k \mathbf{x}^k = \mathbf{B}^k$  (2)

357 subject to,

358  $x > 0$  (3)

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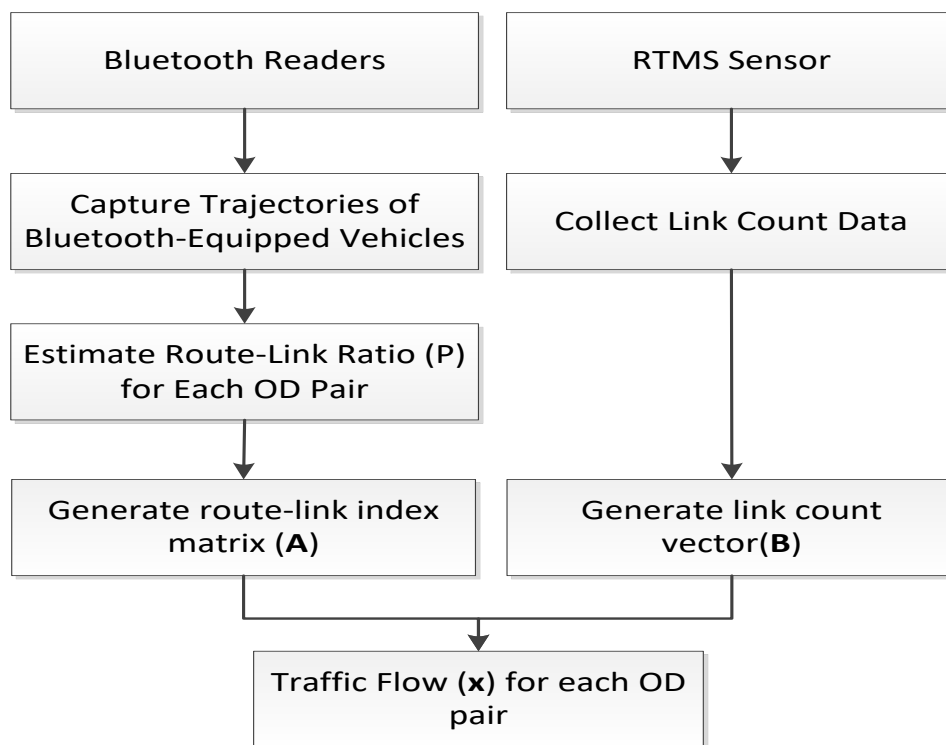
360  $\mathbf{A}^k$ : route-link index matrix

361  $\mathbf{B}^k$ : link counts vector ( $= [u_1, u_2, u_3, \dots, u_n]$ )

362  $\mathbf{x}^k$ : OD traffic flow vector

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364 Figure 9 shows a high-level framework for the OD estimation process employed in this  
365 application.

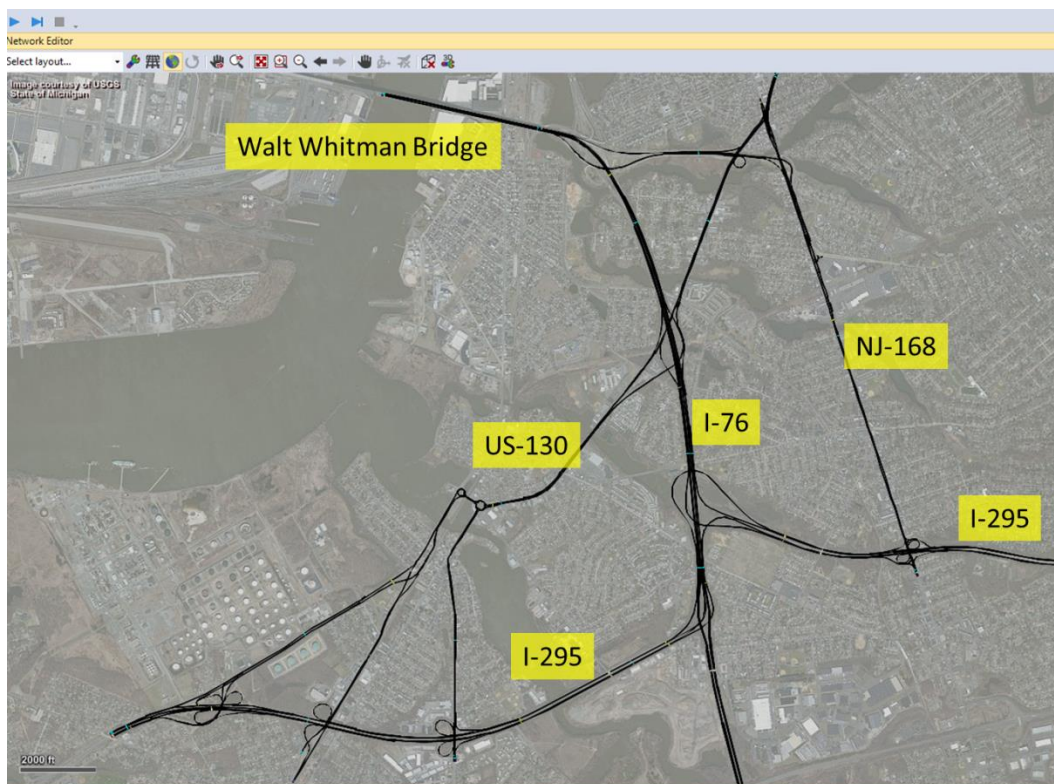


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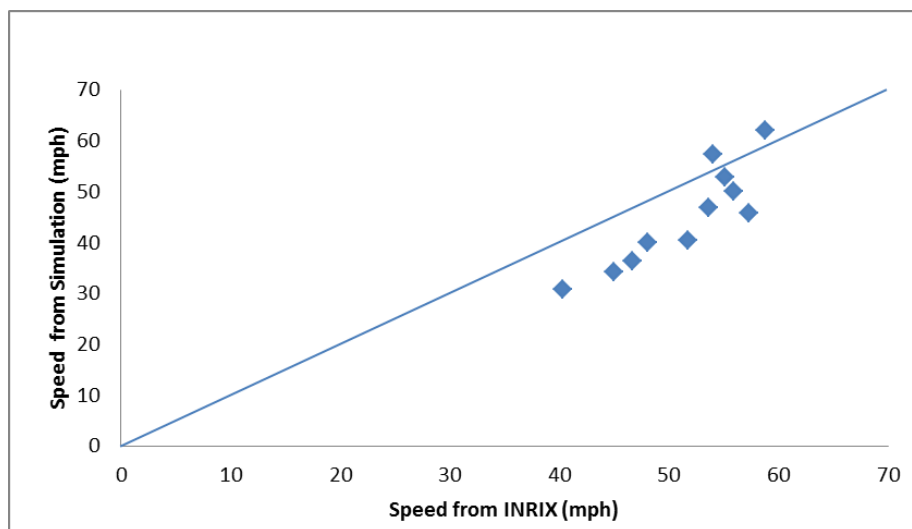
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Figure 9 OD Estimation Framework in WIMAP

368 Since instrumenting a full set of RTMS devices for link counts data collection is still in progress,  
369 the performance of the OD estimation application was examined by using a simulation-based  
370 approach. A VISSIM-based simulation test-bed dealing with the I-295 work zone area was  
371 created by using multiple data sources including NJ CMS and INRIX travel speed data. It is  
372 noted that an initial OD demand table was created by using a transportation planning program  
373 and a GIS tool. The network has been calibrated by adjusting driver behavior model parameters  
374 based on an empirical approach. Figure 10(a) demonstrate a snapshot of the VISSIM-based  
375 virtual test-bed for I-295 work zone area in ` and speeds from INRIX and Figure 10(b) shows the  
376 simulation model for several selected roadway segments as a calibration result.



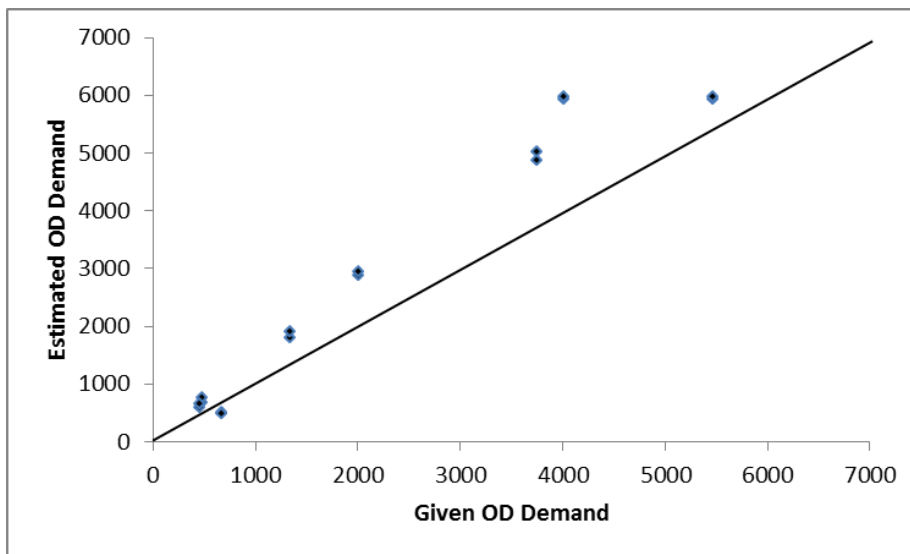
(a) VISSIM-based I-295 Simulation Network



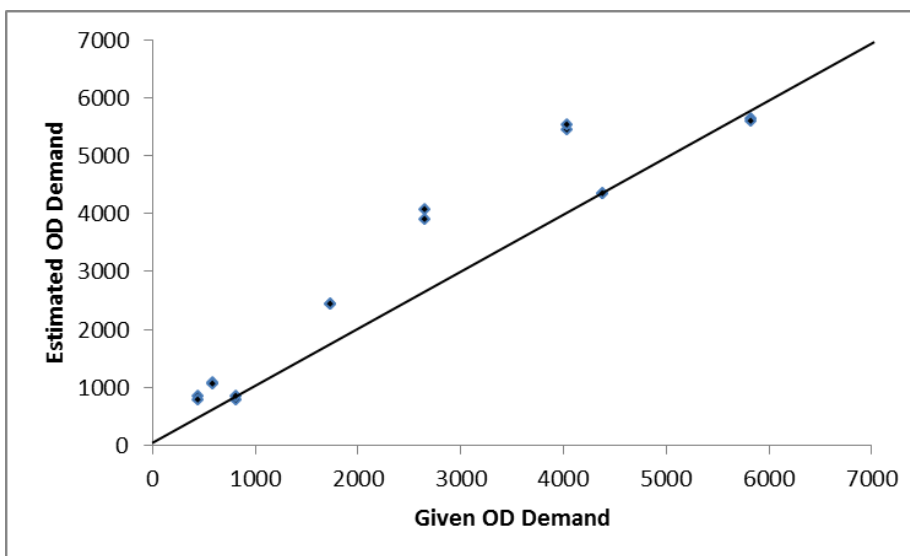
(b) Comparison of Speed from Simulation and INRIX

Figure 10 Simulation Model Network and Calibration Result

382 Assuming 5% Bluetooth detection pairing, the OD estimation process has been implemented by  
 383 estimating the route-link index matrix and link count vectors obtained from the simulation test-  
 384 bed. Figure 11 and 12 show x-y plots for OD demands estimated for 3:00 to 4:00 PM and 4:00 to  
 385 5:00 PM.



(a) OD Flow (3:00-4:00pm)



(b) OD Flow (4:00-5:00pm)

Figure 11 OD Flow Comparison

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391 *Arterials Monitoring*

392 Compared to other WPMS', arterial performance measure is limited due to real-time data  
 393 availability and limited coverage for detection. NJIT is planning to incorporate real-time  
 394 performance measure in the near future by instrumenting Bluetooth readers. At this stage, the  
 395 research team is still in progress of archiving the signal timing plan data for future use.

396 *Transit Ridership Monitoring*

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397 Considering the duration of the I-295 Direct Connect project, it is expected that some travelers  
398 may switch their commute mode to transit, given the presence of transit options (bus, light rail  
399 and ride sharing). With the transit ridership data provided by NJ Transit and Cross County  
400 Connection Transportation Management Association (CCCTMA), WIMAP could provide useful  
401 information regarding impact of a long-term work zone on multi-modal performance measures.

## 402 **CONCLUDING REMARKS**

403 In respond to ever-increase traffic congestion caused by work zone activities, WIMAP is  
404 developed to collect, store, and analyze traffic data to support real-time work zone management.  
405 WIMAP is a web-based application primarily focusing on long-term work zone monitoring for  
406 the I-295 Direct Connection Project. By adopting performance measures recommended by MAP-  
407 21, WIMAP produces real-time mobility measures in and around I-295 work zone area in  
408 various formats such as Travel Time Index, Buffer Index, Planning Index, and Percentile Speed  
409 and Travel Time.

410 WIMAP incorporates multiple data sources to precisely capture prevailing traffic  
411 conditions in real-time. The primary mobility data sources include 1) probe-based travel speed  
412 obtained from INRIX, TRANSCOM, and TrafficCast and traffic counts collected by RTMS  
413 through ASTI and NJDOT. In addition to the mobility data, WIMAP also archives on-line  
414 roadway event data from OpenReach and off-line crash records from Plan4Safety.

415 While instrumenting the additional data collection devices to obtain a full set of travel  
416 time and counts data for the work zone area is still in progress, the prototype of WIMAP has been  
417 deployed for a web service and is being beta-tested by the research team. The test results show  
418 that the real-time mobility performance reports produced by WIMAP enable users to rapidly and  
419 precisely capture prevailing mobility conditions of work zone area through MAP-21-based  
420 performance measures. The map-based congestion comparison module also appeared  
421 informative for users to figure out how the current traffic condition is distinctive from historical  
422 congestion profile. A module producing user-customizable reports appeared one of highlighted  
423 features of WIMAP. By allowing an interactive customization through the web-based interface  
424 of WIMAP, users are able to generate various types of performance reports incorporating not  
425 only MAP-21 measures but also any historical events and activities causing the congestions of  
426 work zone.

427 It is worth emphasizing the additional data collection devices are being installed in and  
428 around the I-295 work zone area to fill out the gaps uncovered by existing data collection  
429 equipment. Once completed the device instrumentation, WIMAP is expected to be the first on-  
430 line tool dedicated for a long-term work zone monitoring to support transportation management  
431 plans for a long-term large-scale work zone project.

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482 **APPENDIX**483 **List of Acronyms**

<b>Acronyms</b>	<b>Name</b>
<b>ASTI</b>	<b>ASTI Transportation</b>
<b>CATT LAB</b>	<b>the Center for Advanced Transportation Technology Laboratory</b>
<b>CCTV</b>	<b>closed-circuit television</b>
<b>CHP</b>	<b>California Highway Patrol</b>
<b>CTSS</b>	<b>Columbus Traffic Signal System</b>
<b>ETC</b>	<b>electronic toll collection</b>
<b>HPMS</b>	<b>Highway Performance Monitoring System</b>
<b>MAC</b>	<b>Medium Access Control</b>
<b>ASTI</b>	<b>ASTI Transportation</b>
<b>MAP-21</b>	<b>Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century</b>
<b>METAR</b>	<b>Meteorological Aerodrome Report (data format)</b>
<b>NHP</b>	<b>Nevada Highway Patrol</b>
<b>NHS</b>	<b>national highway system</b>
<b>NJDOT</b>	<b>New Jersey Department of Transportation</b>
<b>NJIT</b>	<b>New Jersey Institute of Technology</b>
<b>PeMS</b>	<b>Performance Measurement System</b>
<b>PMMS</b>	<b>Performance Monitoring and Measurement System</b>
<b>PORTAL</b>	<b>Portland Oregon Regional Transportation Archive Listing</b>
<b>RTC</b>	<b>Regional Transportation Commission</b>
<b>RTMS</b>	<b>remote traffic microwave sensor</b>
<b>TRANSCOM</b>	<b>TRANSCOM Company</b>
<b>TASAS</b>	<b>Accident Surveillance and Analysis System</b>
<b>TriMet</b>	<b>Tri-County Metropolitan Transportation District of Oregon</b>
<b>VHT</b>	<b>vehicle hours traveled</b>
<b>VMS</b>	<b>variable message sign</b>
<b>VMT</b>	<b>vehicle miles traveled</b>
<b>VPP Suite</b>	<b>Vehicle Probing Project Suite</b>
<b>WIM</b>	<b>weight in motion station</b>
<b>WIMAP</b>	<b>Work Zone Interactive Monitoring Application</b>
<b>WPMS</b>	<b>web-based performance measurement system</b>