

2015 Fall NCMUG Meeting

Thursday, November 19, 2015

1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Room 2600, ITRE/NCSU

909 Capability Drive, Research Building IV, Raleigh, North Carolina 27606

Agenda

Moderator: Joe Schirripa, Transportation Planning Branch, NCDOT

- **INTRODUCTION**

- **MODELING MANAGED LANES**

Modeling Managed Lanes for Traffic and Revenue Forecasting (40 minutes)

James Mooradian, Planner, CDM Smith

Learning Objectives:

- Understanding the general concepts of modeling for managed lanes and how they relate to standard toll road studies
- Making critical adjustments to the travel demand model to allow for the sensitivity of managed lane use
- Static approximation of dynamic tolling on managed lanes
- Added functionality for special cases of managed lane use

Express Lane Time of Day Model (ELToD) (40 minutes)

Jeanette Berk, Senior Consultant, RSG

Learning Objectives:

- FDOT-Turnpike ELToD Model Structure and why it was developed
- How ELToD interacts with the Travel Demand Model and other data inputs
- What types of inputs are needed for an ELToD Model assignment
- What type information/data is obtained from the ELToD Model

Development of Managed Lane Model Based on Meso-Scopic Simulation Approach (40 minutes)

Heejoo Ham, Ph.D., Director of Technical Support, Citilabs

Learning Objectives:

- Difference between static and dynamic models
- Difference between macro-scopic and meso-scopic simulations
- Types of toll diversion models
- Implementation of dynamic tolling process
- Major concerns in a meso-scopic simulation model
- Model validation using dynamic O-D trip estimation

Managed Lanes Coding in Travel Demand Models (40 minutes)

Brian Wert, PE - NCDOT State Traffic Forecast Engineer

Learning Objectives:

- Access coding plays a large role in traffic assignment
- Many facilities originally added as HOV lanes
- HOV lanes have much less connectivity than Managed Lanes
- Do we know enough about proposed designs to update TDM networks

● **MICRO-SIMULATION MODEL**

A National Freight Micro-Simulation Using Open Software (40 minutes)

Gregory Macfarlane, Ph.D., WSP | Parsons Brinckerhoff

Learning Objectives:

- Present an input-output methodology to disaggregate freight flows to discrete trucks
- Review a nationwide agent-based path simulation, validated against North Carolina truck counts
- Software: written in R and Python, with the agent-based simulation in MATSim (a Java-based open simulation framework)

Simulation Based Dynamic Traffic Assignment for Planning Applications (40 minutes)

Daniel Morgan, Qi Yang, Howard Slavin, Caliper

Learning Objectives:

- Recent advance in using microscopic and meso-scopic traffic simulation to model time-variant traffic flows in large scale road network with emphasis on (potential) planning applications

Other Notes:

Four (4) PDHs can be earned at the meeting (roster sheet & forms will be provided).

Pre-meeting lunch:

Time: 11:30 AM, Thursday, November 19, 2015

Location: Sammy's Tap & Grill <http://www.sammysncsu.com/>, 2235 Avent Ferry Road, Raleigh 27606