

Two Use Cases of StreetLight: Screenline Counts and External LM Travel

Modeling Task Force Meeting

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Background

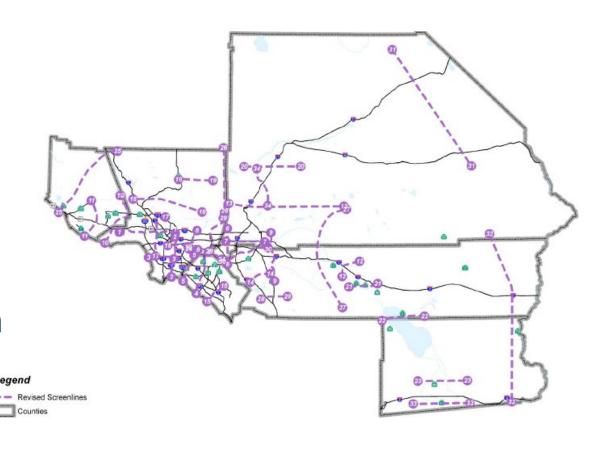
- A one-year regional subscription to the StreetLight InSight platform
 - 1/11/2021 to 1/10/2022
 - Multi-mode tier (Car, Truck, Bus, Rail, Bicycle, Pedestrian)
 - Unlimited queries and analyses
 - Modeling Staff downloaded hundreds of data sets for modeling and planning
 - AADT, OD, Zone Activity, Segment Analysis, Top Routes, etc.
- Plus, additional data services as per customer specifications
 - OD trips by TNC at the level of 4,109 TAZs
 - OD trips by Light Duty at the level of 4,109 TAZs
 - Light Duty: delivery, transportation, commercial fleet vehicles under 10K lb.
 - OD tours for external travel
 - Truck parking dwell time analysis



CASE 1. SCREENLINE COUNTS

Introduction

- Base year model validation:
 - estimated vs observed
- Screenlines: imaginary lines across roadways
 - 35 screenlines on 700+ locations of freeways and non-freeways
- Traffic counts available in the region
 - Freeways: rich (PeMS, Caltrans)
 - Non-freeways: poor (county/city traffic counts available but limited in time/space coverages)



2016 Base Year for 2020 RTP

- One-day field traffic counts
 - Tu, We or Th in 2017 Spring and Fall
 - Excl. holidays, days after holidays, bad weather and spring break
 - Tube and Wavetronix

Month	Tube Data Collection	Wavetronix Data Collection
February	25	NA
March	76	NA
April	180	NA
May	110	NA
June	21	6
September	98	12
October	2	20
November	8	34

- Shortcomings
 - Expensive (~\$120 per Tube; ~\$1000 per Wavetronix)
 - Difficult to install equipment; slow permit process
 - Requires annual and seasonal adjustments
 - Hard to justify that one-day counts represent annual average

2019 Base Year for 2024 RTP

We identified 10 different cases to guess screenline link volumes:

- Facility types: freeway (FT<40) vs arterial (FT>=40)
- AADT sources: Caltrans AADT vs StreetLight AADT
- Directional and ML/HV distribution: PeMS vs StreetLight
- LM/HDT vehicle classification: Caltrans Truck % vs 2017 Tube field counts
- Conversion of AADT to weekday ADT: StreetLight Index

Method	SCRL Links	Link Dir	Facility Type	AADT Source	Lane Distribution	L/M/H HDT Percentages	WKDY Factor
1	68	1	Freeway (ML Only)	2019 Caltrans AADT	2019 SCAG PeMS ADT for WKDY	2019 Caltrans Axle-Based Truck %	2019 StreetLight Index by ADAY and WKDY for Auto and Truck
2	28	1	Freeway (ML Only)	2019 Caltrans AADT	2019 StreetLight Index for WKDY	2019 Caltrans Axle-Based Truck %	2019 StreetLight Index by ADAY and WKDY for Auto and Truck
3	136	1	Freeway (ML + HV)	2019 Caltrans AADT	2019 SCAG PeMS ADT for WKDY	2019 Caltrans Axle-Based Truck %	2019 StreetLight Index by ADAY and WKDY for Auto and Truck
4	8	1	Freeway (ML + HV)	2019 Caltrans AADT	Others**	2019 Caltrans Axle-Based Truck %	2019 StreetLight Index by ADAY and WKDY for Auto and Truck
5	6	1	Arterial	2019 Caltrans AADT	2019 StreetLight Index for WKDY	2019 Caltrans Axle-Based Truck %	2019 StreetLight Index by ADAY and WKDY for Auto and Truck
6	24	0	Arterial	2019 Caltrans AADT	No need	2019 Caltrans Axle-Based Truck %	2019 StreetLight Index by ADAY and WKDY for Auto and Truck
7	3	0	Arterial	2019 Caltrans AADT	No need	2017 NDS Tube 13 FHWA Classification	2019 StreetLight Index by ADAY and WKDY for Auto and Truck
8	17	1	Arterial	2019 StreetLight AADT	No need	2017 NDS Tube 13 FHWA Classification	2019 StreetLight Index by ADAY and WKDY for Auto and Truck
9	423	0	Arterial	2019 StreetLight AADT	No need	2017 NDS Tube 13 FHWA Classification	2019 StreetLight Index by ADAY and WKDY for Auto and Truck
special	4		Arterial	2019 StreetLight AADT			
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LM Screenline Validation on Arterials (2016 vs 2019)

Facility Type	2016 LM				2019 LM			
Facility Type	Model	Count	Ratio	RMSE	Model	Count	Ratio	RMSE
Principal Arterial	6,035,602	4,976,164	1.21	46	6,226,243	5,434,680	1.15	50
Minor Arterial	3,045,350	2,582,401	1.18	55	2,898,390	2,751,596	1.05	59
Major Collector	484,006	519,754	0.93	82	478,296	586,700	0.82	78
Minor Collector	13,466	9,334	1.44	154	10,929	8,593	1.27	59

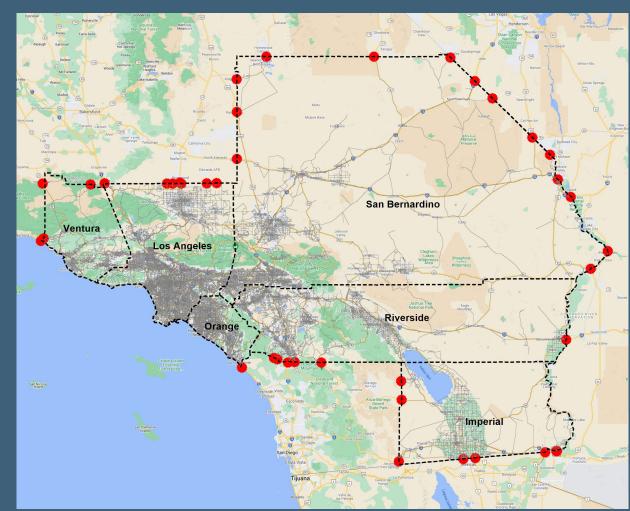
- Currently, we are calibrating the 2019 model. Meanwhile, we will continue to review screenline counts for both freeways and arterials.
- As we are also updating the HDT model, the HDT screenline validation result will be available later.



CASE 2. EXTERNAL LM TRAVEL

Introduction

- 40 external cordons
 - Santa Barbara (3); Kern (11); Inyo (2); Nevada (5); Arizona (7); Mexico (3); San Diego (9)
- ~8% of total LM VMT
- SCAG's LM External Model requires:
 - Cordon traffic counts
 - Observed OD matrices



Cordon Traffic Counts

- Freeway cordons (23 locations)
 - Caltrans AADT
 - LM/HDT vehicle classification: Caltrans Truck %
 - Conversion of AADT to Weekday ADT: StreetLight Index
- Arterial cordons (17 locations)
 - StreetLight AADT
 - LM/HDT vehicle classification: 2017 SCAG field traffic counts by Tube (13 FHWA vehicle classification)
 - Conversion of AADT to Weekday ADT: StreetLight Index

Observed OD Matrices (Old)

- In 2002 and 2003, SCAG conducted a regional cordon survey to estimate the observed OD distribution of external trips.
 - Didn't cover Imperial County and Mojave desert areas
 - Limited to the 17 busiest cordons
- It is time to update!



Observed OD Matrices (New)

- First, we tried to collect external OD trips passing through external cordons from/to internal CSAs directly from the StreetLight InSight platform.
 - By default, in-platform trips break when a device does not move more than five meters in five minutes.
- In SCAG's regional model, external LM trips are considered as longdistance travel and should not include intermediate short stops, such as stopping for meal or rest.
 - StreetLight chained multiple trips if there is less than 90 mins and 1 kilometer b/w consecutive trip stops.

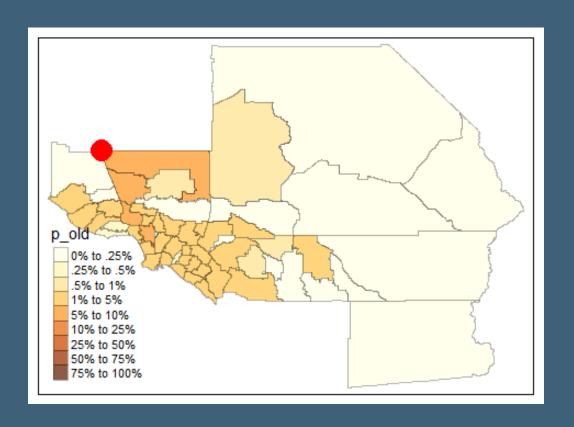
Further Revision

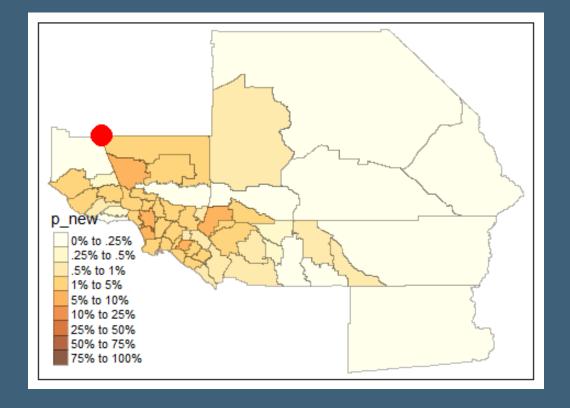
- Carefully review and revise the StreetLight external OD tours at the RSA level
 - Exclude I-X, X-I and X-X trips going out of and returning the region
 - Exclude X-X trips traveling between the same cordon
 - Exclude X-X trips traveling between nearby cordons
 - For some cordons, we observe a big difference b/w the regional cordon survey and the StreetLight tour data.
 - For cordons with less than 5K traffic volumes, follow the StreetLight OD patterns without any adjustment
 - For cordons with more than 5K traffic volume, adjust the StreetLight tour data based on the cordon survey result

Additional Processes

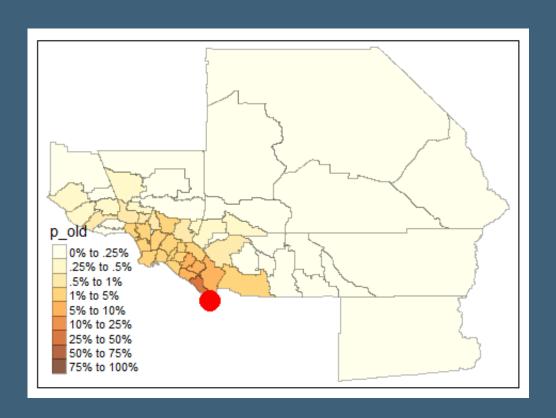
- Construct a 96x96 matrix (56 RSAs+40 Cordons) based on the above revision
- Expand to a 409x409 matrix (369 CSAs+40 Cordons) based on the StreetLight tour data
- Expand to a 4149x4149 matrix (4109 TAZs+40 Cordons) based on population and employment
- Split into 5 time periods based on StreetLight's hourly distribution for each cordon
- Split into 3 auto modes (DA, SR2, SR3+) based on the existing external OD matrices

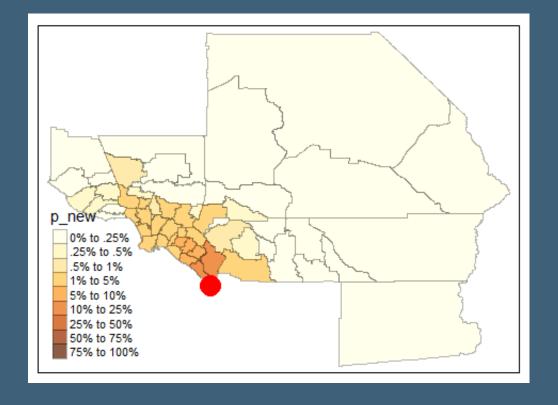
X-I OD by DA for AM at Cordon 4114 on I-5 North (Old vs New)





X-I OD by DA for AM at Cordon 4149 on I-5 South (Old vs New)







THANK YOU!

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