

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

Modeling Task Force Meeting

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# Background

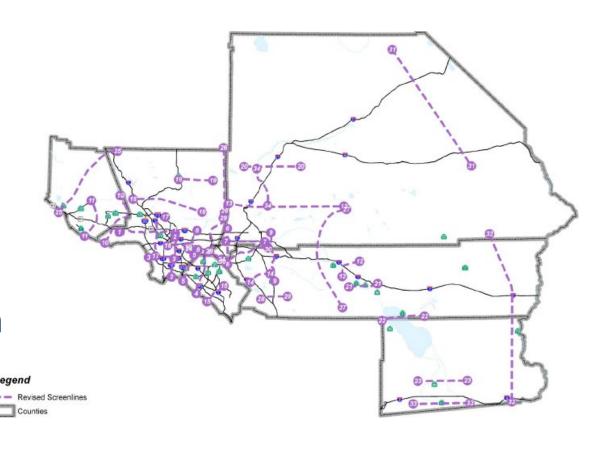
- A one-year regional subscription to the StreetLight InSight platform
  - 1/11/2021 to 1/10/2022
  - Multi-mode tier (Car, Truck, Bus, Rail, Bicycle, Pedestrian)
  - Unlimited queries and analyses
  - Modeling Staff downloaded hundreds of data sets for modeling and planning
    - AADT, OD, Zone Activity, 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   |

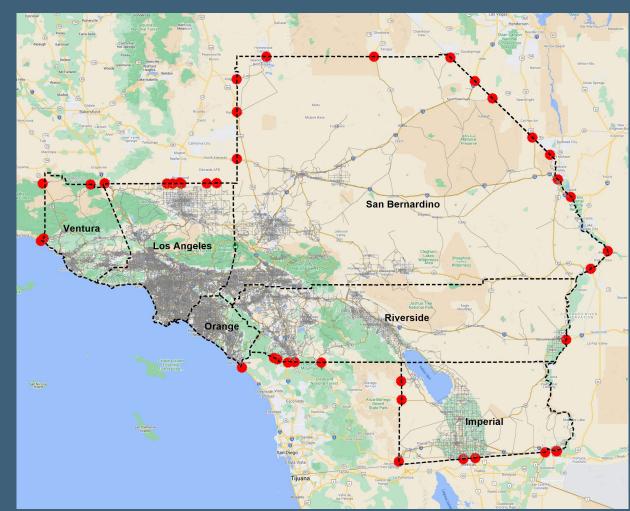
- Currently, we are calibrating the 2019 model. Meanwhile, we will continue to review screenline counts for both freeways and arterials.
- As we are also updating the HDT model, the HDT screenline validation result will be available later.



# 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

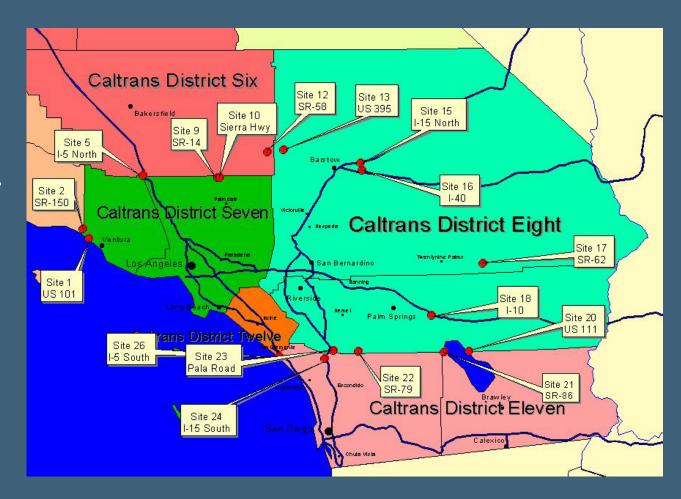


#### Cordon Traffic Counts

- 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.

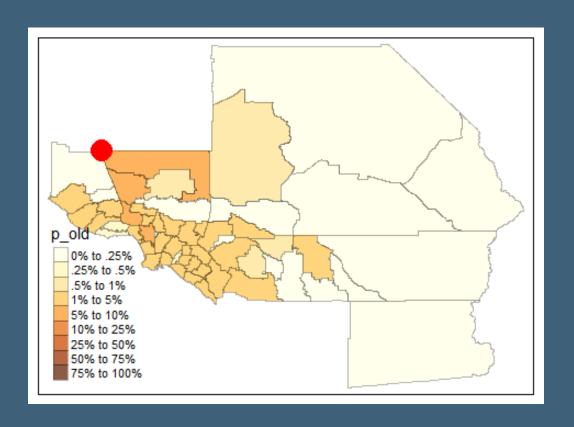
#### **Further Revision**

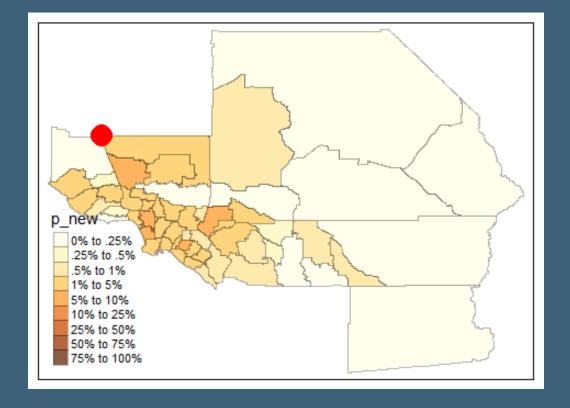
- Carefully review and revise the StreetLight external OD tours at the RSA level
  - Exclude I-X, X-I and X-X trips going out of and returning the region
  - Exclude X-X trips traveling between the same cordon
  - Exclude X-X trips traveling between nearby cordons
  - For some cordons, we observe a big 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**

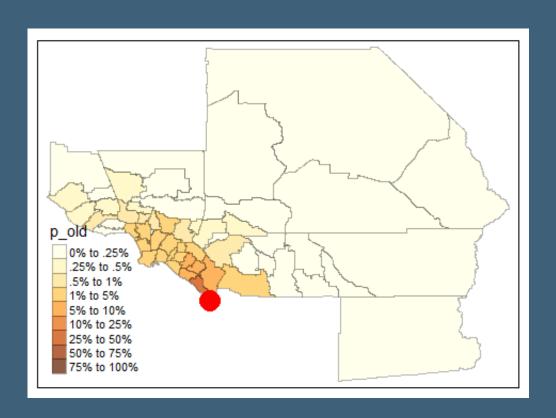
- Construct a 96x96 matrix (56 RSAs+40 Cordons) based on the above revision
- Expand to a 409x409 matrix (369 CSAs+40 Cordons) based on the StreetLight tour data
- Expand to a 4149x4149 matrix (4109 TAZs+40 Cordons) based on population and employment
- Split into 5 time periods based on StreetLight's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

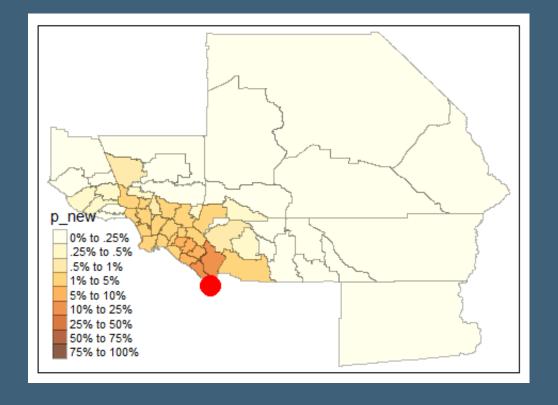
# X-I OD by DA for AM at Cordon 4114 on I-5 North (Old vs New)





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







# **THANK YOU!**

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