

# TDOT Forecasting Office Update

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# **Updates**

- Long Range Planning Division Re-Organization
- Forecasting Office Staff and Responsibilities
- Statewide Model Development
- Model Review Process





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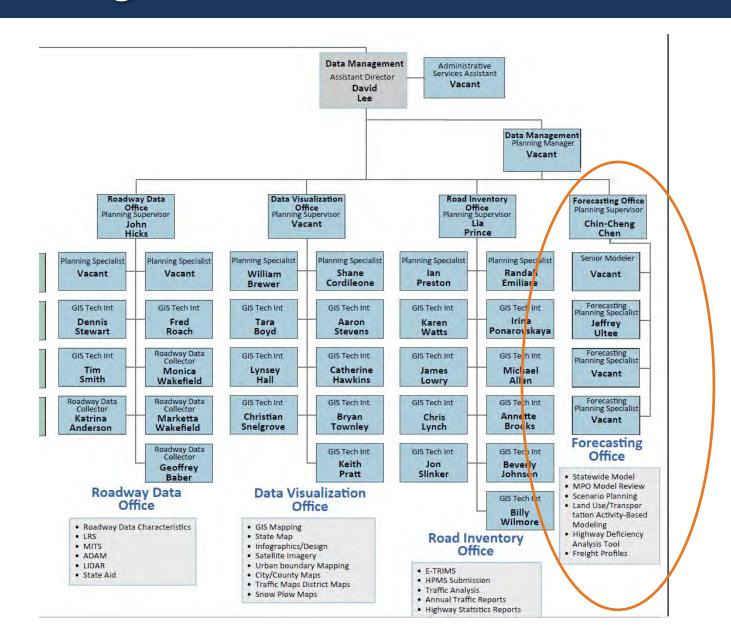
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### Forecasting Office

- Statewide Transportation Planning
- Tennessee Statewide Model
- Tech support and review of TN MPO Travel Demand Modeling.
- Data analysis and technical support for the TDOT Divisions
- Develop a Land Use Database and document the processes for updating and maintaining the database.





# Statewide Model Development

### **TNSWM**

- Development Completed, enhancements on the way
- Components
  - Short Distance
  - Long Distance
  - Freight
- Data Driven
  - ATRI GPS
  - Airsage Cell-Phone OD
  - Transearch
- Decent Performance
  - R^2=0.9443
  - RMSE= 36.5%





# **Model Review**

# Model Review Stages

- 1. RFP/RFQ/Panel Review
  - TDM Model Design
  - Horizon Year, Interim year
- 2. Data Collection/Model Inputs
  - Network, TAZ review
- 3. Model Developments
  - Component Validation
  - Overall Validation
  - Land Use Model Inputs
- 4. Base Year Model / E+C Scenarios
- 5. Base Year, E+C Scenario Model Documents
  - Document review 1st TDOT Review
- 6. LRTP Scenario Development
  - Highway Deficiency Analysis Tool
  - Final model package Final TDOT Review



### Guidelines and Check List

 Minimum Travel Demand Model Calibration and Validation Guidelines for the State of Tennessee - Updated 2016 <a href="http://tnmug.utk.edu/documents/MinimumTravelDemandModel2016.">http://tnmug.utk.edu/documents/MinimumTravelDemandModel2016.</a> <a href="pdf">pdf</a>

#### Check List

The check list should be filled out before the model is submitted to TDOT

#### Guidelines

- All the statistics, figures, and benchmarks in the guidelines should be utilized in the model document
- For a good modeling practice, the "Preferred" standards should be utilized in the RFQ/RFP. No model should exceed the "Acceptable" standard without any justifications
- Screenlines, cutline should always be utilized to evaluate the model performance at the subarea and the corridor level
- Reasonable travel speed tests should be performed as well



### **TDOT Review**

- When the model is submitted for TDOT Review (for both 1st and 2nd time), please include the following files
  - Model check list from the "Minimum Travel Demand Model Calibration and Validation Guidelines for the State of Tennessee -Updated 2016"
  - Model Package
    - Compiled Model UI, Resource files
    - All model Inputs for all the scenarios
    - All model outputs
    - Loaded network files
    - Model Document/User's guide
- For the model document
  - Please do not use the terms "refer to the previous model document" nor "the assumptions did not change", please list the model assumptions used.

### New Post Processor

- RATIO TRAFFIC: RATIO\*(BASE TRAFFIC)
- DELTA TRAFFIC: DELTA+(BASE TRAFFIC)
- AVERAGE TRAFFIC: ((RATIO TRAFFIC)\*(2-RATIO) + (DELTA TRAFFIC)\*(RATIO-0.5)) / 1.5
  - The idea is the closer the ratio is to 2, the more Delta Traffic value is used
  - The closer the ratio is to 0.5, the more Ratio Traffic is used



### Tips for the Model Validation

- You can request the "archived" TRIMS files used in the HPMS report
  - Same functional classes as the HPMS report
  - Updates every year
  - Easier to estimate the HPMS VMT for partial counties
- "Model Ready" network can also be requested
  - All the model related attributes in one shape file, including some extra information like slopes, signal density, and pavement condition
  - Area type calculation based on a multinomial logit model
  - Dual carriageway link attributes still need to be populated
  - Some quality checks are still required



### Questions?



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