



Full Model Task Force Meeting

May 25-27, 2010
Orlando, FL

MEETING NOTES

Committee Updates

Gary Kramer, NW Florida RPC

- All PowerPoint presentations are now available online at www.fsutmsonline.net
- Presentation from Krishnan Viswanathan (CS) on NHTS and update on data availability
- Wade White (Whitehouse Group) provided an update on the land use transportation panel
- ACTION ITEM - Frank Tabatabaee (FDOT CO) or Krishnan Viswanathan (CS) will to send information about InfoUSA to the committee

Transit and Rail Committee

Larry Foutz, Miami-Dade MPO

- All PowerPoint presentations are now available online at www.fsutmsonline.net
- Discussion items
 - Transit and Rail Committee is working with Central Office in developing a scope of work for data collection and recommending a model to look at intercity passenger forecasting
 - Transit Committee is set to meet next week to start work on development of scope
 - There was a panel discussion on the collection and application of speed data for model updates

MAC

Wilson Fernandez, Miami-Dade MPO

- All PowerPoint presentations are now available online at www.fsutmsonline.net
- Discussion items
 - Presentations on state of art Activity Based Models (ABM) nationally and Jacksonville SHRP2 C10 experience
 - Were provided the opportunity to look at Jacksonville and transferability of the model to smaller areas like Tallahassee, Polk County and Gainesville
 - Mohammed Hadi (FIU) and Vladimir Majano (FDOT CO) presented the Central Office DTA research effort along with the scope of services
 - Setup subcommittee (technical committee) for Dynamic Traffic Assignment (DTA) efforts and anticipate it being a two year effort with leadership by Neelam Fatima (St. Lucie MPO)
 - Interrelationships between Time of Day (TOD), DTA, ABM, and Toll advancement
 - Jim Fennessy (Fennessy Associates) presented on advanced toll modeling study
 - Siva Srinivasan (UF) provided an update on the Time of Day project – Talked about scope of work. Lively discussion based on geography and socio-demographics. Feedback on area for implementation
 - Bob Crawley (FDOT D1) indicated that action was taken without Polk County's consent. Requirement from Polk in terms of resources for staff and funding. Danny suggested an alternate be selected if Polk declines and to let the leadership decide on another MPO area if the alternate declines.
 - Vidya Mysore (FDOT CO) mentioned that there is an opportunity for transferring the model and suggested that FL gets approval from MPO
 - SHRP suggested having Tampa as one option and have FL set the stage for national standards
 - Milton Locklear (FDOT D2) – Whoever takes this task on will have to spend resources on data and spend time on quality control. Even more work will be needed once the model is received back.



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- Jeannette Berk (API) – How was the decision to pick Polk approved? It was based on commonality with other parts of FL
- Wilson Fernandez (Miami-Dade MPO) – Mentioned that there is lack of good representation from SW FL in the MAC and the Sarasota/Manatee area should be considered. Some supported Tallahassee as another area. Wilson suggested Tallahassee be considered
- Larry Foutz (Miami-Dade MPO) – The need to convince TRB about transferability to other areas in the USA makes the point of having Tallahassee as the test case
- Jeanette Berk (API) asked if FDOT CO can devote resources for Tallahassee

ACTION ITEM –

a) Larry Foutz (Miami-Dade MPO) proposed passing the motion to consider Polk as the area for transferability and Jack Klodzinski (FL Turnpike) seconded the motion. Vote on transferability of Jacksonville SHRP2 C10 to Polk County.

The MTF voting members voted unanimously to consider Polk

b) Jeannette Berk (API) proposed considering Tallahassee as an alternative in case Polk cannot proceed with it after resources are not available.

The MTF voting members voted unanimously to consider Tallahassee as the second choice

c) Dan Beaty (Proxy for FDOT D3) proposed that MTF leadership take a lead on finding alternative MPO if Polk or Tallahassee does not work out for whatever reason and Mike Escalante (Gainesville MPO) seconded it.

The MTF voting members voted unanimously on the motion

GIS Committee

Lina Kulikowski, Broward MPO

- All PowerPoint presentations are now available online at www.fsutmsonline.net
- Discussion items
 - GIS committee has been meeting regularly and updated fsutmsonline with all meeting materials
 - Committee approved sending a letter out to all district coordinators suggesting they use and apply the data framework
 - Agreed upon to have a presentation on LOS calculator and also have GIS training
 - Transportation network priority – research project by UF on MIXS. Committee reviewed the proposal and approved moving ahead with the proposal. Need cooperation from other jurisdictions to make this work
 - Jeannette Berk (API) asked if other agencies have been identified.
 - Jon Weiss (FDOT D5) – Complexity of initiative makes it difficult for having a one size fits all and where does it fit in terms of priorities? Shi-Chiang Li (FDOT D4) indicated that having a standard helps standardize model networks and Lina Kulikowski (Broward MPO) said that there was an effort from the state to standardize work plan.
 - Carlton Card (FDOT D6) asked if the scope will research other local or regional efforts currently in progress. Lina Kulikowski (Broward MPO) mentioned that FDOT D7 has developed a standard that has been approved by DOT ITS systems and suggested that FDOT D7 share that information. Vidya Mysore (FDOT CO) mentioned that the researchers are very knowledgeable about all issues.



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- Carlton Card (FDOT D6) asked if the work effort was an application or data clearinghouse and who would be reviewing the scope of work. Vidya Mysore (FDOT CO) mentioned that the effort starts off as a clearinghouse and will also involve developing a process tool to derive the information. In addition, the GIS committee will review the scope
- Jack Klodzinski (FL Turnpike) asked if the work will look into TeleAtlas and NavTeq. The effort will look at what is the latest state standard
- Mike Escalante (Gainesville MPO) and Wade White (Whitehouse Group) supported the study effort
- Neelam Fatima (St. Lucie MPO) – St Lucie was contacted by FDOT about make a Statewide GIS system
- Wilson Fernandez (Miami-Dade MPO) mentioned that the automation from workplan to model network runs the risk of introducing errors
- Milton Locklear (FDOT D2) asked if the policy folks going to have an input into the research. Vidya Mysore (FDOT CO) mentioned that the project does not play that kind of role
- Jeannette Berk (API) – Is there a duplication of efforts based on what Neelam mentioned? Shi-Chiang Li (FDOT D4) mentioned that it is a D4 effort and is currently a local effort to build a GIS repository

ACTION ITEM

a) Jeannette Berk (API) proposed and Milton Locklear (FDOT D2) seconded FDOT CO to send out a letter to District Modeling Coordinators (DMC) with tool and documentation for comments and get back to FDOT CO and finally make it a standard part of FSUTMS
The MTF voting members voted unanimously on the motion

b) Jack Klodzinski (FL Turnpike) proposed a motion to fund the UF proposal on MIXS and Carlton Card (FDOT D6) seconded the motion
The MTF voting members voted unanimously on the motion

General Comments

- Shi-Chiang Li (FDOT D4) expressed appreciation to all the committees for moving the state of art and practice forward and suggested that committee members continuously review the membership list
- Danny Lamb (FDOT D7) encouraged attendees to join the committee
- Vidya Mysore (FDOT CO) mentioned that all priorities are in motion via the committees and look to the committees to provide feedback on MTF initiatives. He also suggested limiting individual membership to 2 committees to be most productive.
- Danny – Voting for the MPO seat

Tri-Chair Voting

- All PowerPoint presentations are now available online at www.fsutmsonline.net
- Discussion items
 - Gary Kramer (North West Florida RPC) and Larry Foutz (Miami-Dade MPO) expressed thanks for being nominated
 - Terry Corkery (FDOT CO) mentioned that there were 25 votes and represents quorum of the 40 voting agencies
 - No need for runoff since the winner got more than 50% of the vote



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- Larry Foutz (Miami-Dade MPO) is the new Tri-Chair

Jim Baxter Tribute

- Danny Lamb (FDOT D7) gave a tribute to Jim Baxter and presented a plaque to Amy Perez (FDOT D1)
- The plaque will be hung in the D1 planning office conference room
- Dedication service of the conference room
- Vidya Mysore (FDOT CO) read out Jim's comments from the Nov 09 MTF especially the need to avoid concurrent committee meetings

Open Session

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- Discussion items
 - Jeannette Berk (API) proposed having the MTF for 2 days only
 - Milton Locklear (FDOT D2) expressed thanks to FDOT CO for having training at the district
 - Michael Escalante (Gainesville MPO) mentioned that since there is going to be a lot of interest on the AQ webinar, is there sufficient capacity to handle? Vidya Mysore (FDOT CO) mentioned that it should not be an issue
 - Lina Kulikowski (Broward MPO) requested attendees to submit comments to FSUTMSonline since feedback is valuable
 - Andrew Tyrell (FDOT D7) expressed appreciation for having multiple screens since it allowed viewing of presentations without any strain

Meeting Adjourned at 11:10 AM