Performance Based Transportation Project Selection

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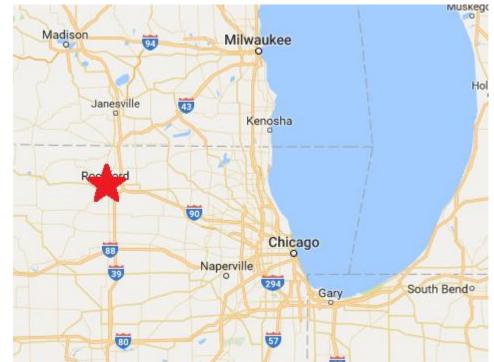
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Regional Context

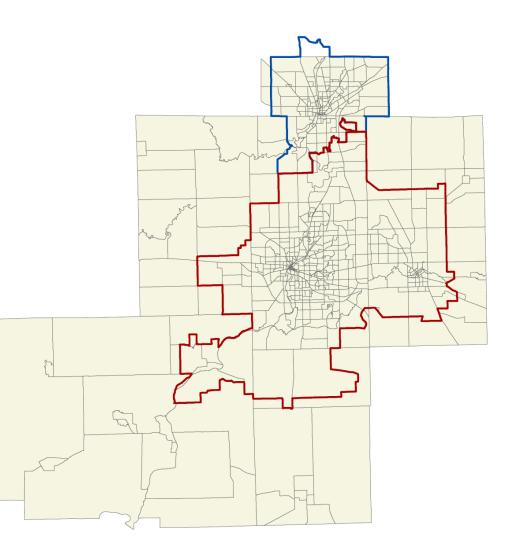
- 80 miles NW Chicago, 60 miles from O'Hare Airport, <100miles to Milwaukee
- Population of 441,000
 1,640+ sq/mi
- U.S. Route 20, Interstate 39/90
- Rockford International Airport
 - 3rd busiest airport in Illinois
 29th for cargo in the nation
 - UPS, Amazon





Local Context

- Rockford Metropolitan Agency for Planning (RMAP) transitioning from an MPO to an RPC – Region 1 Planning Council
- Past, economy was based on heavy industrial processes
- Today, health care, manufacturing, tourism, agriculture, freight and cargo transportation.





Federal and State Accountability

- During RMAPs last Transportation Management Area Certification Review from The Federal Highway and Federal Transit Administration a *Corrective Action/Recommendation* was found for our Long Range Transportation Plan. It was recommended to "implement a Benefit-Cost Analysis, or comparable analysis, for aiding in project selection; RMAP should re-evaluate the methodology for rating and selecting major capital investment projects in the LRTP." (2015)
- Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act, (FAST) 2015 (Previously MAP-21)
 - The U.S. DOT should require state DOTs and MPOs to perform economic analysis and incorporate regional priorities as part of state regional transportation improvement plans TIP.
 - Performance assessment and reporting should be expanded to include performance areas beyond those currently established. Reporting should be accessible to the community to increase transparency and accountability.



Travel Demand Model Integration

Infrastructure projects are entered into the Travel Demand Model with as much detail as possible.

- Functional classification
- Operating speeds
- Number of Lanes
- Intersections, including type
- Future employment data if known, by Traffic Analysis Zone, TAZ

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Travel Demand Model Integration

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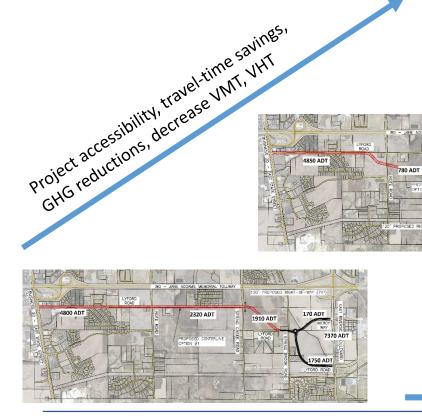
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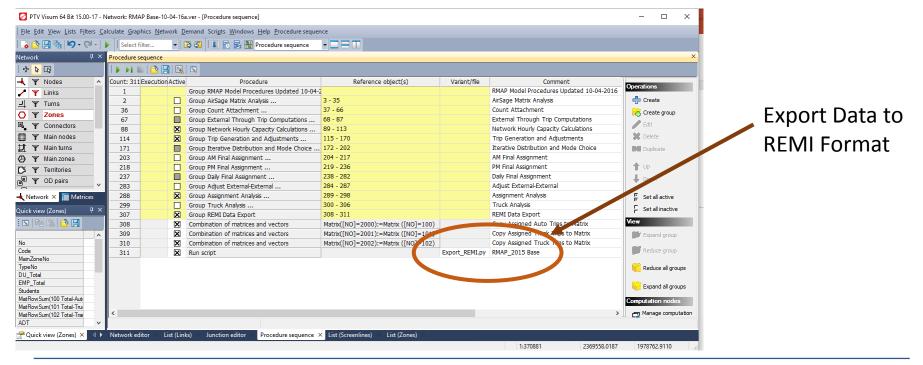
Project completion time, total project cost, Economic loss to local economy during construction



Export Data for REMI Integration

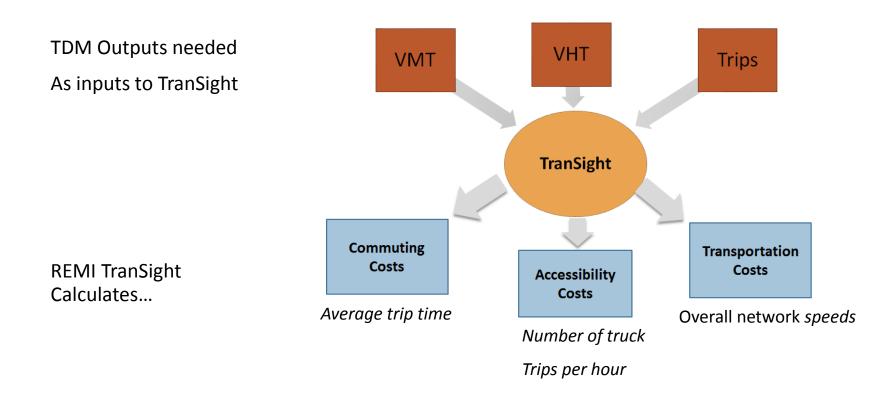
Export changes in VMT, VHT, and Trips which are used to compare against the baseline transportation, economic, and demographic model results.

Data is exported into excel in a format developed by our TDM consultant which allows for a seamless upload into REMI TranSight for analysis.





VISUM and TranSight Integration





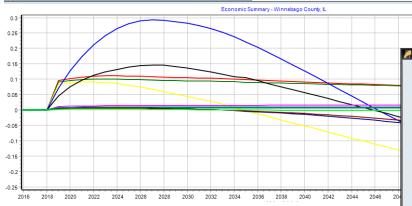
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TranSight Benefit – Cost Analysis

Category	 Units 	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	203
Labor Force	Thousands	0.000	0.000	0.000	+0.046	+0.076	+0.098	+0.113	+0.124	+0.133	+0.140	+0.144	+0.147	+0.146	+0.141	+0
Output	Billions of Fixed (2009) Dollars	0.000	0.000	0.000	+0.011	+0.012	+0.013	+0.013	+0.014	+0.014	+0.014	+0.014	+0.014	+0.014	+0.014	+0
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Personal Income	Billions of Current Dollars	0.000	0.000	0.000	+0.004	+0.005	+0.006	+0.007	+0.007	+0.007	+0.007	+0.006	+0.006	+0.005	+0.004	+0
Population	Thousands	0.000	0.000	0.000	+0.071	+0.127	+0.174	+0.211	+0.242	+0.265	+0.281	+0.290	+0.293	+0.292	+0.288	+0
Private Non-Farm Employment	Thousands (Jobs)	0.000	0.000	0.000	+0.092	+0.096	+0.099	+0.100	+0.101	+0.100	+0.099	+0.098	+0.097	+0.096	+0.095	+0
Residence Adjusted Employment	Thousands	0.000	0.000	0.000	+0.083	+0.088	+0.091	+0.091	+0.090	+0.086	+0.081	+0.075	+0.068	+0.060	+0.053	+0
Total Employment	Thousands (Jobs)	0.000	0.000	0.000	+0.096	+0.103	+0.107	+0.110	+0.111	+0.111	+0.110	+0.109	+0.108	+0.106	+0.105	+0
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Projects of Regional Significance may be compared to one another based on data-driven results

Custom Benefits/Costs

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Analysis Period	10 🕩
Evaluation Year	2016 🔹 🕨
Evaluation from 2016 to 2025	
Total Benefits, Mil PV\$	40.63
Emissions Benefits, Mil PV\$	0.48
Safety Benefits, Mil PV\$	10.75
Vehicle Operating Cost Savings, Mil PV\$	5.83
Maintenance Costs, Mil PV\$	-0.03
Travel Time Savings, Mil PV\$	23.60
Other Benefits, Mil PV\$	0.00
Total Costs, Mil PV\$	5.02
Design & Construction Costs, Mil PV\$	5.02
Land Acquisition Costs, Mil PV\$	0.00
Custom Costs, Mil PV\$	0.00
Benefit-Cost Ratio	8.09

Benefit-Cost Analysis

Benefit-Cost Analysis is an economic tool for evaluating possible projects by comparing their total benefits with their total cost over a period of time. This analysis considers only the direct benefits and direct costs associated with a project, according to the FWHA guidelines. A discount rate is used to calculate the total present value of the benefits of a project. Benefits may include changes to the environment due to changes in emissions, vehicle operating cost savings, safety benefits, travel time savings, and maintenance costs/savings. A Benefit-Cost Rato can be calculated using the net present value of the benefits divided by the net present value of the costs which can be used to evaluate a project seconomic merit.

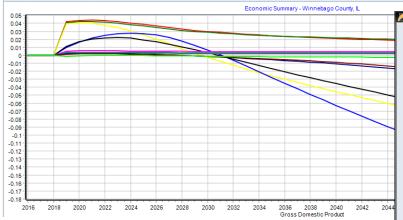
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TranSight Benefit – Cost Analysis 2

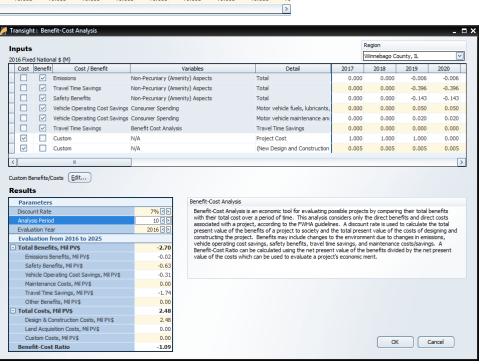
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Category	Units	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	203
Total Employment	Thousands (Jobs)	0.000	0.000	0.000	+0.042	+0.044	+0.044	+0.044	+0.042	+0.041	+0.039	+0.037	+0.035	+0.033	+0.031	+0
Private Non-Farm Employment	Thousands (Jobs)	0.000	0.000	0.000	+0.041	+0.042	+0.042	+0.041	+0.040	+0.038	+0.037	+0.035	+0.033	+0.031	+0.030	+0
Residence Adjusted Employment	Thousands	0.000	0.000	0.000	+0.040	+0.040	+0.040	+0.038	+0.035	+0.031	+0.026	+0.020	+0.014	+0.008	+0.002	-0
Population	Thousands	0.000	0.000	0.000	+0.010	+0.017	+0.022	+0.025	+0.027	+0.028	+0.027	+0.026	+0.022	+0.018	+0.012	+0
Labor Force	Thousands	0.000	0.000	0.000	+0.011	+0.017	+0.020	+0.022	+0.022	+0.022	+0.019	+0.017	+0.014	+0.011	+0.007	+0
Gross Domestic Product	Billions of Fixed (2009) Dollars	0.000	0.000	0.000	+0.003	+0.003	+0.003	+0.003	+0.003	+0.003	+0.003	+0.003	+0.003	+0.003	+0.003	+0
Output	Billions of Fixed (2009) Dollars	0.000	0.000	0.000	+0.005	+0.006	+0.006	+0.006	+0.006	+0.006	+0.005	+0.005	+0.005	+0.005	+0.005	+0
Value Added	Billions of Fixed (2009) Dollars	0.000	0.000	0.000	+0.003	+0.003	+0.003	+0.003	+0.003	+0.003	+0.003	+0.003	+0.003	+0.003	+0.003	+0



Benefit-Cost Analysis may be

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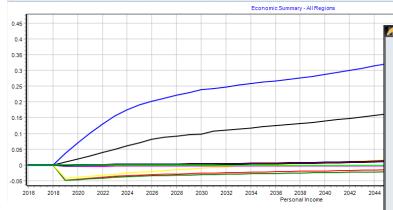
one metric used within a project



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Total Employment	Thousands (Jobs)	0.000	0.000	0.000	-0.049	-0.046	-0.043	-0.040	-0.037	-0.034	-0.033	-0.031	-0.030	-0.029	-0.028	-(
Private Non-Farm Employment	Thousands (Jobs)	0.000	0.000	0.000	-0.049	-0.047	-0.045	-0.042	-0.040	-0.038	-0.036	-0.035	-0.034	-0.033	-0.032	-(
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Population	Thousands	0.000	0.000	0.000	+0.037	+0.071	+0.102	+0.130	+0.155	+0.175	+0.191	+0.203	+0.212	+0.221	+0.230	+(
Labor Force	Thousands	0.000	0.000	0.000	+0.009	+0.019	+0.028	+0.039	+0.050	+0.061	+0.070	+0.081	+0.088	+0.092	+0.095	+(
Gross Domestic Product	Billions of Fixed (2009) Dollars	0.000	0.000	0.000	-0.003	-0.003	-0.003	-0.003	-0.003	-0.003	-0.002	-0.002	-0.002	-0.002	-0.002	-(
Output	Billions of Fixed (2009) Dollars	0.000	0.000	0.000	-0.006	-0.005	-0.005	-0.005	-0.005	-0.004	-0.004	-0.004	-0.004	-0.004	-0.004	-(
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Benefit-Cost Ratio

Travel Time Savings, Mil PV\$

Land Acquisition Costs, Mil PV\$

Design & Construction Costs, Mil PV\$

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Measuring Performance of the Regional Transportation System

 Performance Measures have many functions and can be used to:

- Identify what attributes of the transportation system are most important
- Provide information on current system conditions
- Evaluate the success of implemented and on-going projects and programs
- Provide a metric for communicating with decision-makers and the public about past, current, and expected future transportation systems
- Serve as criteria for investment decisions made in the transportation planning process.



Conclusions

- Travel Demand Model integration with TranSight gives planners a better understanding of economic drivers and impacts on transportation
- Tool to help influence investment for economic development and Regional Competitiveness, especially for funding
- Scenario planning can help planners and engineers better understand "what-if" scenarios such as new road connections, road closures, or increased roadway capacity
- Quantify public investment return on major transportation and capital improvement projects
- Strategic investments in the transportation system are necessary with limited local funding resources to leverage state and federal match.
- Increase government transparency with performance-based project selection



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