

“Net Impacts of Detailed Travel Efficiencies”

I-49 South Economic Impact Analysis

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Project team

- **Regional Economic Models, Inc. (REMI)**
 - worldwide leader in regional economic modeling
 - over 30 years of experience in economic model development
 - transport, economic development, energy, environment, and taxation.
- **CDM Smith**
 - transport planning and economic analyses for over 60 years
 - economic feasibility and impact for all modes
 - wide range of tools and processes tailored for each project

Overview – study areas and scenarios



Tailor economic evaluation

■ Perspective

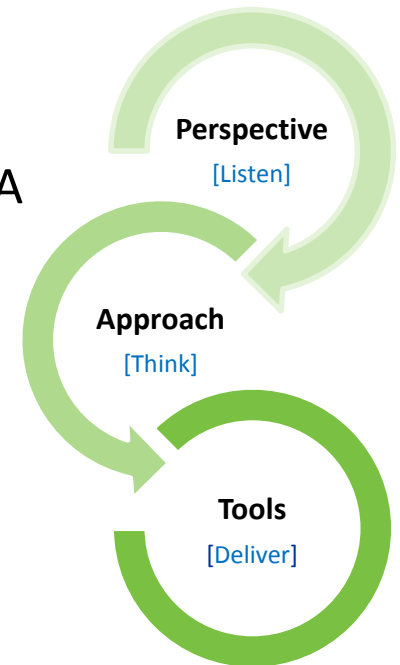
- 30-years history
- other LA Megaprojects
- support and funding from local, state (DOTD), FHWA

■ Approach

- impacts vs. BCA
- net vs. gross effect

■ Tools

- Capital improvements – what, when, where?
- TDMs – VMT and VHT detail
- BCA processing
- estimate impacts with **REMI** model



Economic impacts: *many facets*

■ Components

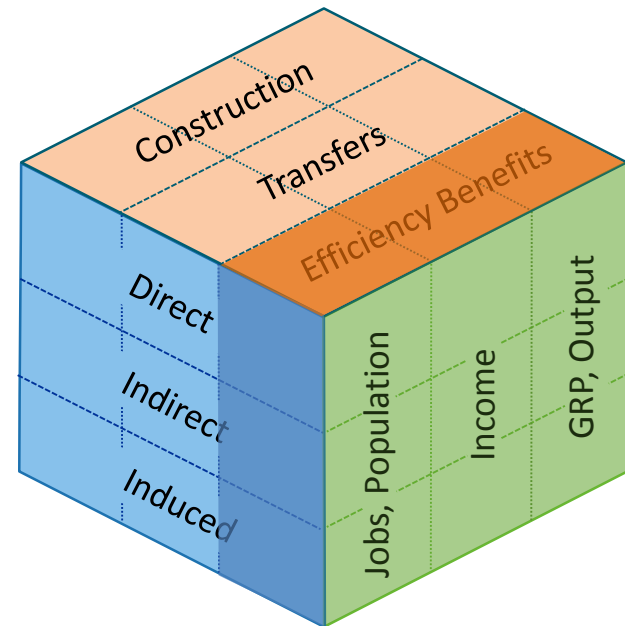
- **construction** – ROW, PE, construction (1-3 years)
- **transfers** – relocation, base growth
- **efficiency benefits** – time, VOC, accidents, emissions (20+ years)

■ Types

- direct
- Indirect
- induced

■ Impact Measures

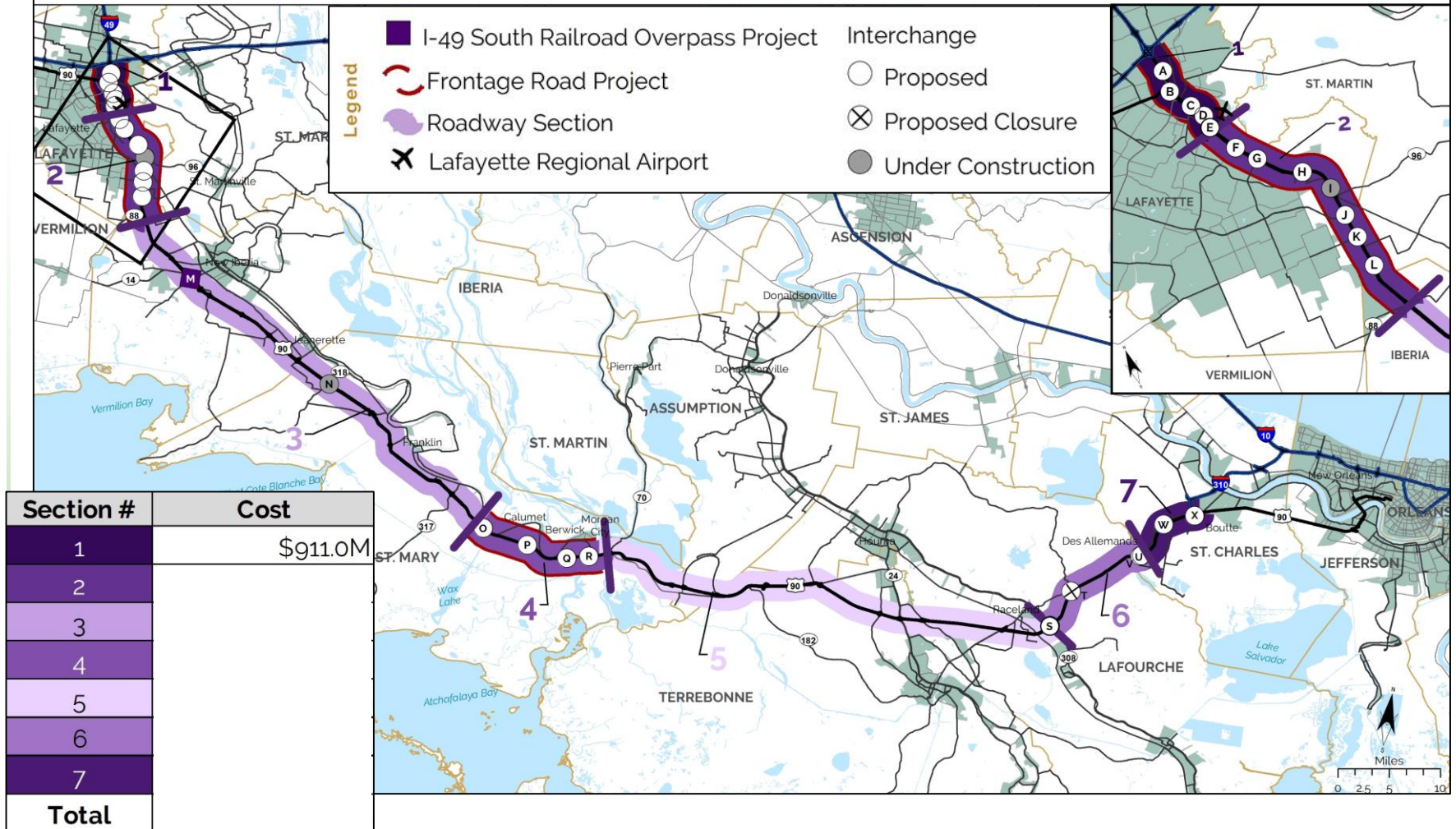
- jobs, population
- income
- GRP, output



Evaluation process

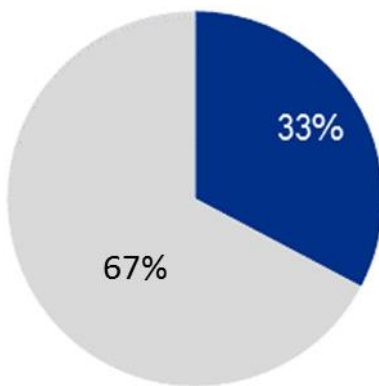
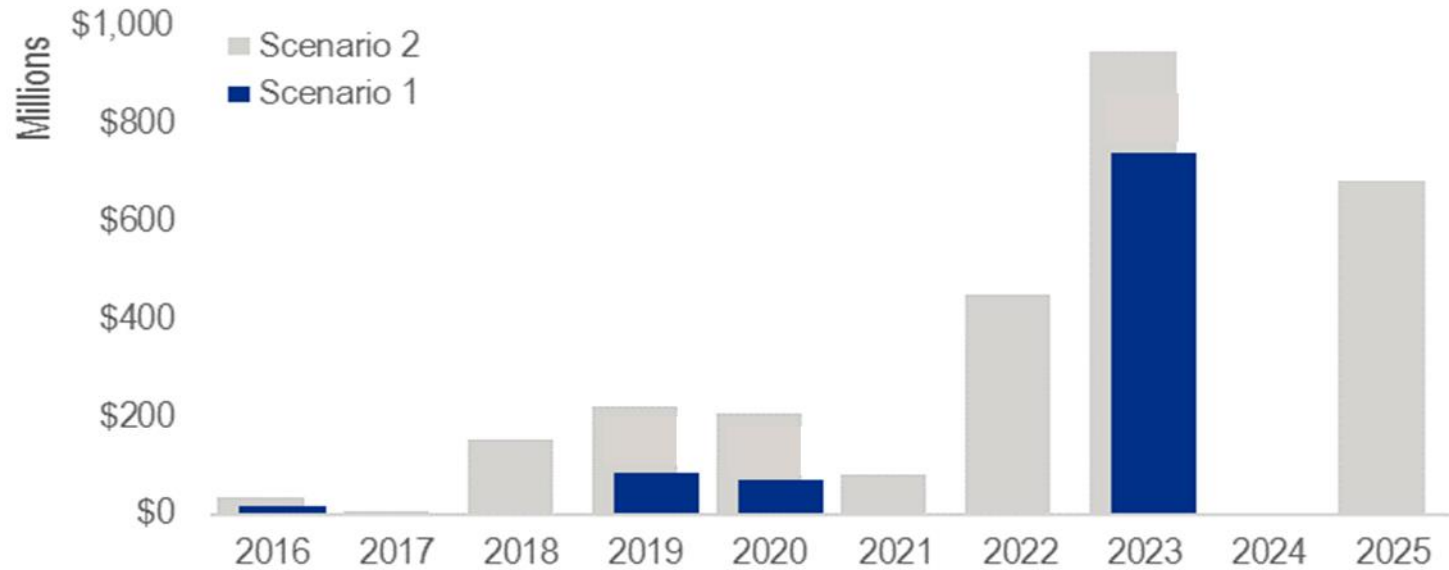
- Identify capital improvements
 - construction – unfunded project locations, costs, and timing
- Estimate travel efficiency
 - TDM – VMT/VHT Δ between base/build scenarios
 - time horizon – interpolate Δ between current and future year
 - monetize benefits – time, VOC, accidents, and emissions
 - tabulate change – by type and aggregate by region (REMI)
- Evaluate feasibility and impacts
 - benefits vs. costs – per FHWA guidelines
 - regional impacts (REMI)
 - capital costs
 - efficiency benefits

Capital improvements – what, where?

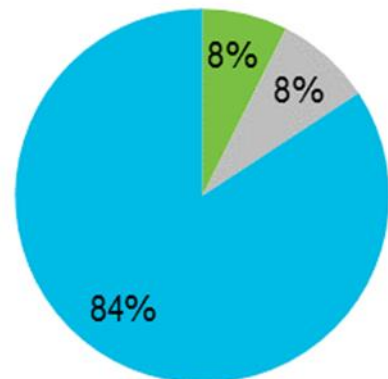


- Scenario 1 – includes Section 1
- Scenario 2 – includes Section 2-7

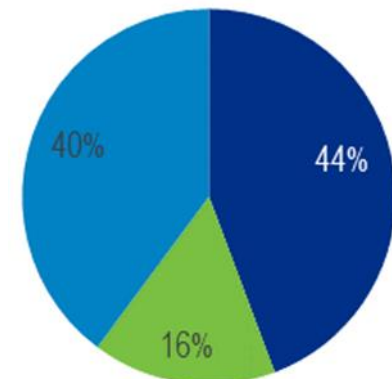
Capital exp. – scenario, year, type, region



Scenario 2
Scenario 1



Right of Way (ROW)
Planning/Engineering (P&E)
Construction



Lafayette
Surrounding Lafayette
Rest of Louisiana

Travel efficiency *benefits*

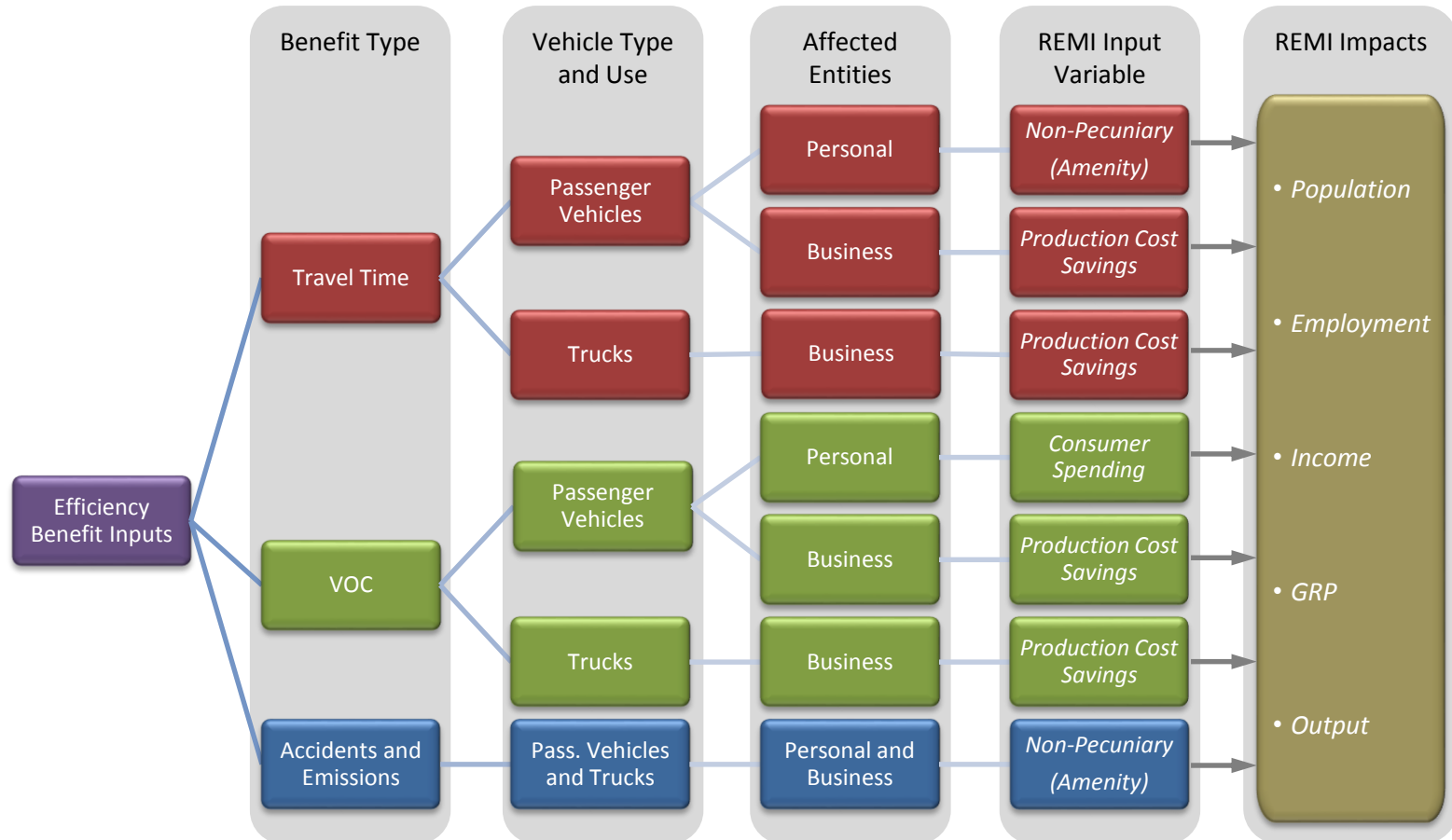
- Factors

- **Time** – vehicle type, trip purpose
- **VOC** – fuel and non-fuel
- **Accidents** – Rates and costs by type (fatality, injury, PDO)
- **Emissions** – Rates and costs by type (VOC, NOX, SOX, PM)

- REMI provides

- Aggregate VMT/VHT **vs.** detailed policy variable translation
- Fuel consumption – \$/VMT for POV and CV
- Accident costs – by type (fatality, injury, PDO)

Travel efficiency *impacts*



Source: CDM Smith

Evaluation summary – overview

Metrics	Scenario 1 I-49 Lafayette Connector	Scenario 2 I-49 South	Difference
Capital Expenditures (2016-2025) ¹			
Travel Efficiency Benefits (2044) ¹			
Economic Feasibility (2016-2044)			
Impacts (2044) ²			
¹ in millions of 2016\$			
² based on Louisiana TDM perspective			

Evaluation summary – expenditures

Metrics	Scenario 1 I-49 Lafayette Connector	Scenario 2 I-49 South	Difference
Capital Expenditures (2016-2025)¹			
Right of Way	\$70	\$206	194%
Planning / Engineering	\$99	\$232	134%
Construction	<u>\$742</u>	<u>\$2,343</u>	216%
Total	\$911	\$2,781	205%
Travel Efficiency Benefits (2044)¹			
Economic Feasibility (2016-2044)			
Impacts (2044)²			
¹ in millions of 2016\$			
² based on Louisiana TDM perspective			

Evaluation summary – benefits

Metrics	Scenario 1 I-49 Lafayette Connector	Scenario 2 I-49 South	Difference
Capital Expenditures (2016-2025) ¹	\$911	\$2,781	205%
Travel Efficiency Benefits (2044) ¹			
Louisiana	\$181	\$772	327%
National	\$199	\$899	352%
Economic Feasibility (2016-2044)			
Impacts (2044) ²			
¹ in millions of 2016\$			
² based on Louisiana TDM perspective			

Economic summary – feasibility

Metrics	Scenario 1 I-49 Lafayette Connector	Scenario 2 I-49 South	Difference
Capital Expenditures (2016-2025) ¹	\$911	\$2,781	205%
Travel Efficiency Benefits (2044) ¹			
Economic Feasibility (2016-2044)			
<i>3% discount rate</i>			
Net Present Value (NPV) ¹	\$794	\$3,705	367%
Benefit Cost Ratio (BCR)	1.93	2.42	25%
<i>7% discount rate</i>			
Net Present Value (NPV) ¹	\$177	\$1,153	551%
Benefit Cost Ratio (BCR)	1.27	1.58	24%
Impacts (2044) ²			

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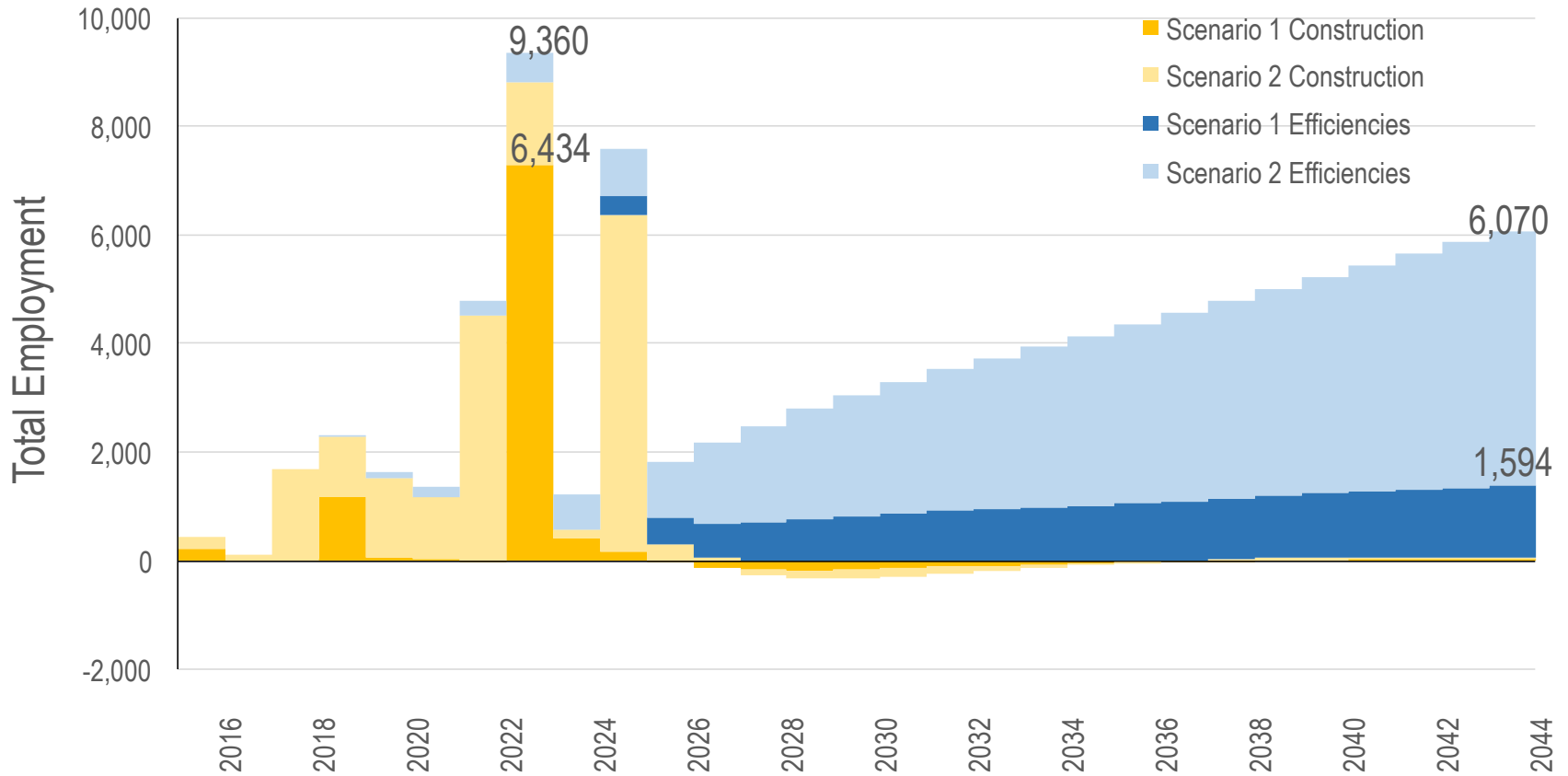
Evaluation summary – impacts

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Capital Expenditures (2016-2025) ¹	\$911	\$2,781	205%
Travel Efficiency Benefits (2044) ¹			
Economic Feasibility (2016-2044)			
Impacts (2044) ²			
Employment			
Lafayette Parish	723	1,594	120%
Surrounding Parishes			
Rest of Louisiana			
Total Louisiana			
Income - Statewide ¹			
Output - Statewide ¹			

¹ in millions of 2016\$

² based on Louisiana TDM perspective

Annual employment impacts – statewide



Summary

- Net benefit/impact approach
 - multiple uses
 - BCA for State DOTD, FHWA
 - impacts by region
 - REMI model input
 - Utilizes various input blocks
 - incremental impact perspective
 - Compare regions
- Scenarios
 - Lafayette Connector (S1)
 - Benefits, impacts, and BCA metrics are robust
 - I-49 South (S2)
 - dependent on Lafayette Connector
 - benefits, impacts > the marginal capital cost.
 - impacts accrue across State



Thank you