Incorporating Reliability Performance Measures in the Planning and Programming Processes

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SHRP 2 LO5 Objective

To develop the means—including technical procedures—for state DOTs and MPOs to fully integrate reliability performance measures and strategies into the transportation planning and programming processes.

This will allow operational investments to be considered in planning and programming along with more traditional types of project investments (e.g., capacity expansion, travel demand management).



What is Reliability?

...Variability in travel time, over time



...Due to fluctuations in demand, traffic control devices, traffic incidents, inclement weather, work zones, and physical capacity







...Can be reported for a facility or trip for different time periods

Facility



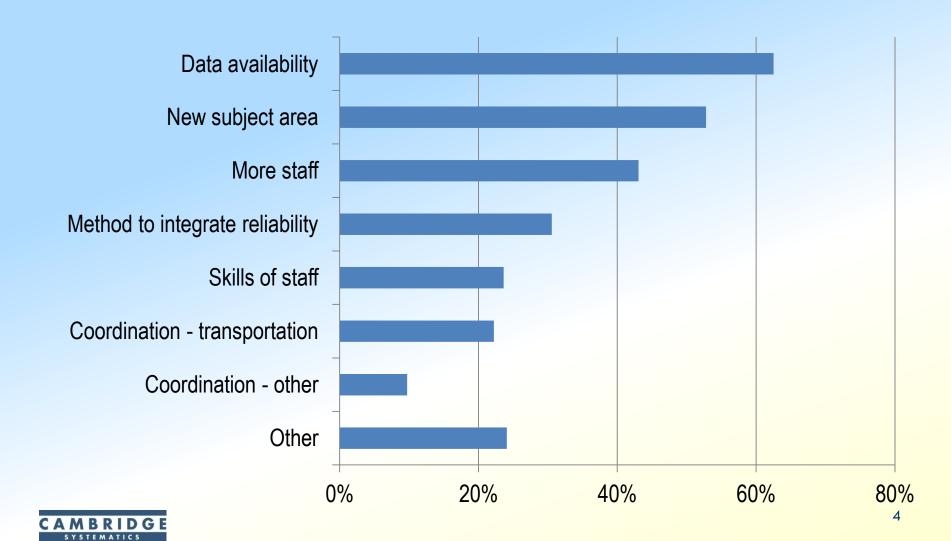
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Trip





What are the Challenges for Incorporating Reliability into Planning?



Reference Guide for Incorporating Reliability into Planning and Programming

The Reference Guide

- » Practical. Address reliability in real world planning
- » Accessible. Find specific information to help make a specific decision
- » Broad. Cover both technical and communication issues
- » Primary audience is managers.

The Technical Reference

- » <u>Detailed</u>. Tools and data needed to calculate performance measures
- » Easy to use. Technical 'recipes' to evaluate reliability
- » Primary audience is analysts.



Reference Guide for Incorporating Reliability into Planning and Programming

The traditional planning process does not address operations investments

Operations investments improve travel time reliability

Travel time reliability is a significant part of the customer experience

Including operations in the planning process will improve the customer experience.

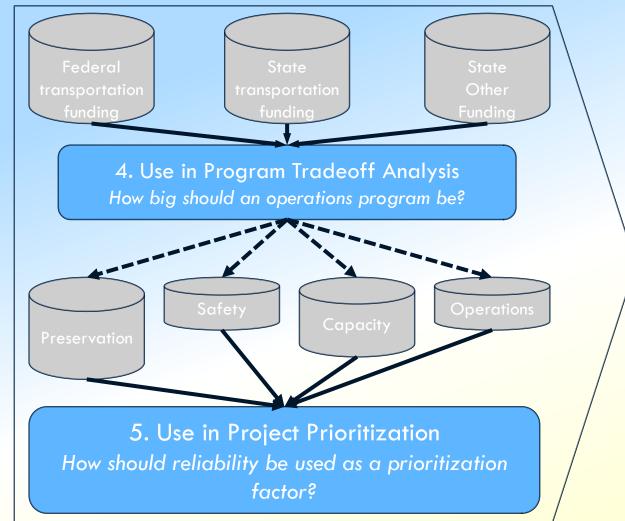
The LO5 Reference Guide Explains How To Do This



1. Include in Policy statements

2. Select
Performance
Measures

3. Identify Needs and Deficiencies





- Addressing reliability in policy statements
- Developing and tracking reliability measures
- Evaluating reliability needs and/or deficiencies
- Sizing funding for an operations program using reliability (and in consideration of program trade-offs)
- Prioritizing projects (operations, capacity, etc.) using reliability



Policy Statements



A <u>reliable</u>, efficient, and well maintained transportation system.





Integrate investments for costeffective solutions —

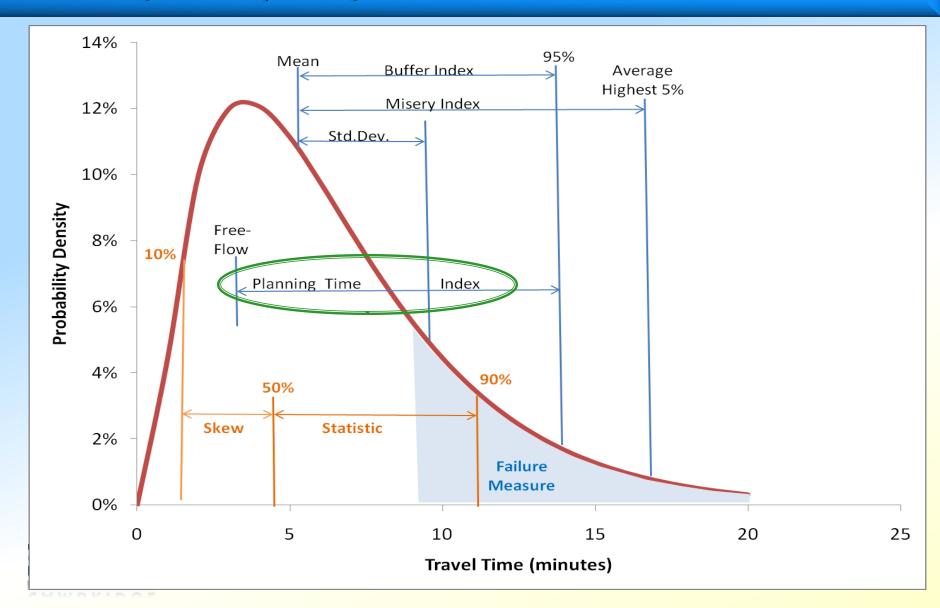
- Operate efficiently
- Manage demand
- Add capacity strategically



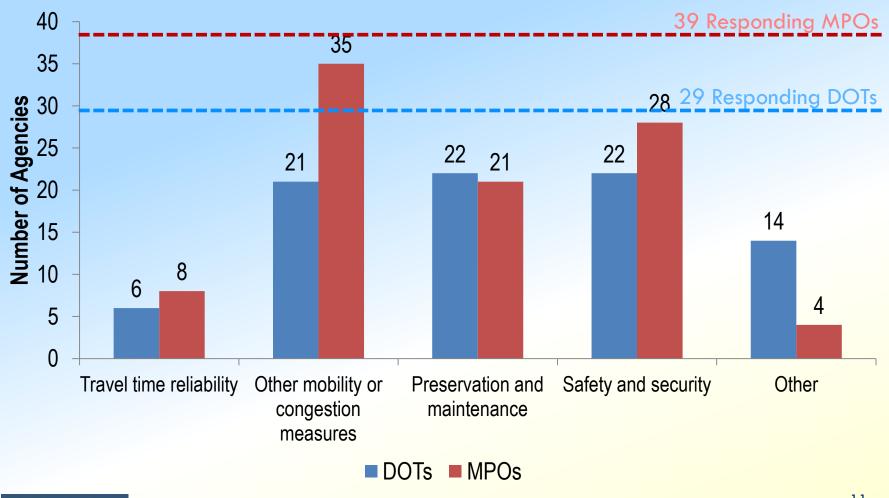
Deliver excellent customer service to people who travel in the Commonwealth, and to provide our nation's safest and most <u>reliable</u> transportation system in a way that strengthens our economy and quality of life.



Tracking and Reporting Measures



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Needs and Deficiencies

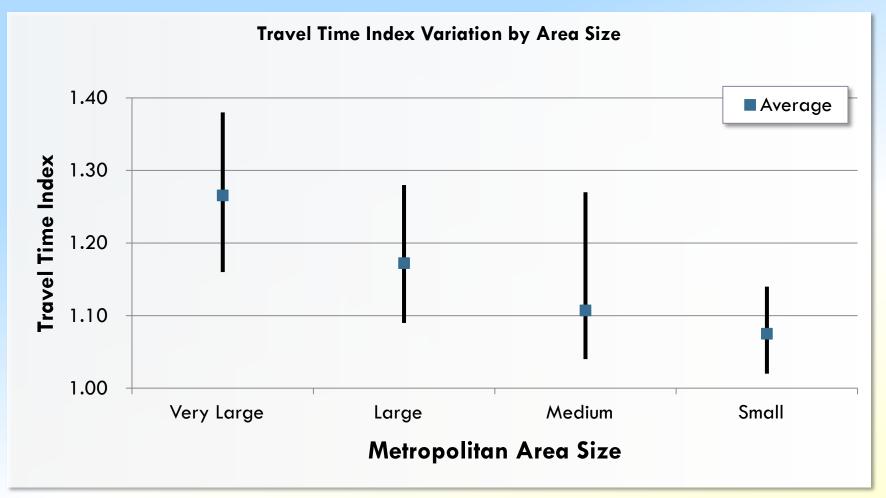
- <u>Deficiency</u>: Any segment with a PTI of 2.0 or higher
- Need: The \$ to bring the segment to an acceptable PTI (2.0 or lower)



On Northbound State
Highway 400 in the
PM Peak, the travel
time on the worst day
of the month would
be greater than 2.8
times the free-flow
travel time.

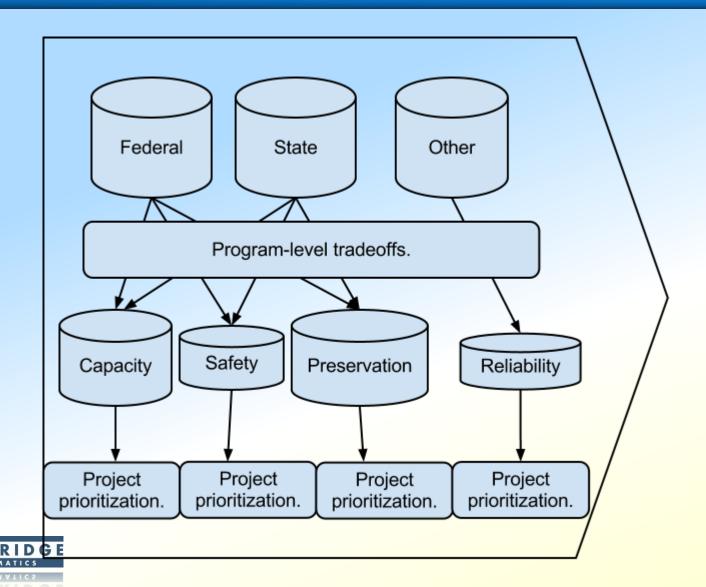


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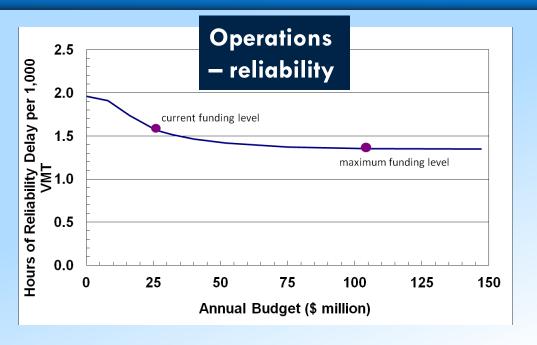


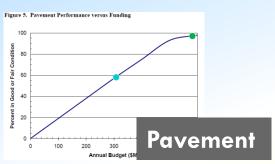


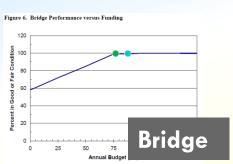
Sizing an Operations Program

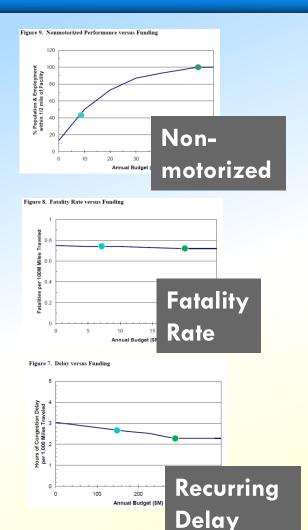


Sizing an Operations Program











Prioritizing Projects

Florida Strategic Investment Tool (SIT) will use reliability performance to make project decisions that support their Maintenance and Operations goal.

Reliability

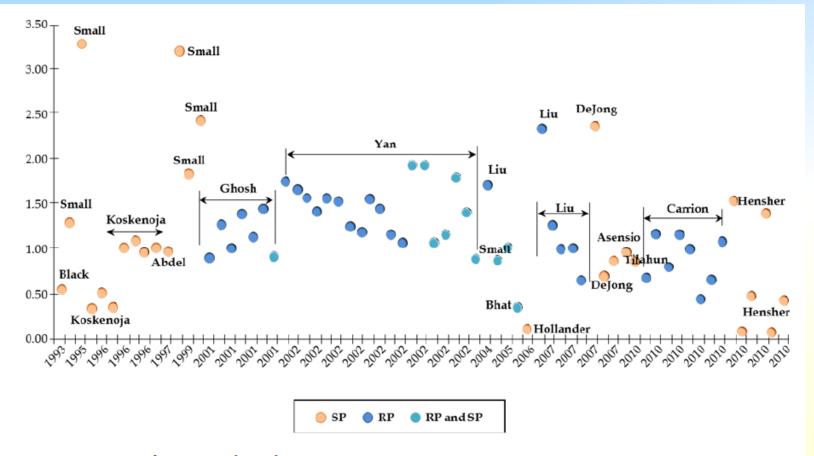
How do you get operations projects into the SIT?

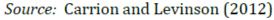
Goal	Measure	Maximum
Measured	wiedstif e	Score
Safety and Security	Crash Ratio	10
	Fatal Crash	4
	Bridge Appraisal Rating	3
	Link to Military Base	3
	Possible Subtotal	20 points
System Preservation	Volume /Capacity (v/c) Ratio	10
	Truck Volume (AADTT)	6
	Vehicular Volume (AADT)	2
	Bridge Condition Rating	2
	Possible Subtotal	20 points
Mobility	Connector Location	1
	Volume /Capacity (v/c) Ratio	4
	Truck Volume (% Trucks)	2
	Vehicular Volume (AADT)	2
	System Gap	2
	Change in v/c -LOS (for Mainline segments only)	3
	Interchange Operations (for Interchanges only)	
	Bottleneck/Grade Separation	2
	Delay	4
	Possible Subtotal	20 points
Economics	Demographic Preparedness	5
	Private Sector Robustness	5
	Tourism Intensity	5
	Supporting Facilities	5
	Possible Subtotal	20 points
Quality of Life	Land and Social Criteria	4
	Geology Criteria	4
	Habitat Criteria	4
	Water Criteria	8
	Possible Subtotal	20 points
	Total Maximum Score	100 points
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Five Key Steps for Incorporating Reliability Prioritizing Projects

Ratio of Value of Reliability to Value of Average Travel Time







Technical Reference Outline

- Select an analysis approach
 - » Purpose of analysis
 - » Available data and tools
 - » Available resources (time, money, staff)
- Select an analysis tool
- Determine if multiscenario analysis is needed
 - » If you need a more complete picture of causes of reliability issues and outcomes

Identify long term needs

- Support goal setting
- A high-level, order of magnitude, understanding of future deficiencies
- For several scenarios
- Sensitive to operations projects
- Produce chosen measure (e.g. planning time index)



Questions?

