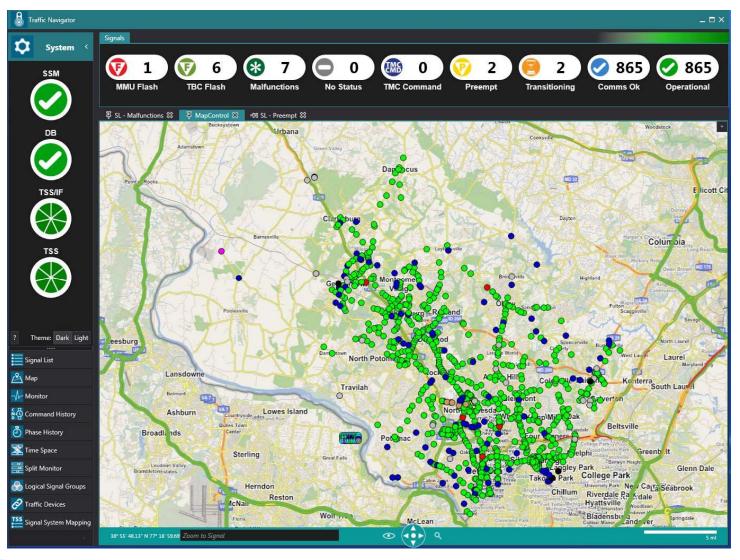


### Montgomery County DOT ATMS Software Adaptive Signal Control

National Capital Region
Transportation Planning Board
SPOTS and Traffic Signals Subcommittee Joint Meeting
April 5, 2018

#### **Advanced Transportation Management System**





# System by the Numbers

- 865 Traffic Signals operated/maintained by MCDOT
  - 572 owned by State of Maryland (SHA)
  - 280 owned by Montgomery County
  - 13 owned by a City (Rockville or Gaithersburg)
- Vehicle Detection Systems
  - Video (conventional, Gridsmart and FLIR)
  - Inductance Loops
  - Magnetometer
  - Microwave/Radar
- 419 Signals Equipped with Battery Backup Systems
- 117 Additional Battery Backup Systems planned by SHA
- 220 Traffic Surveillance Cameras
- 30 signals and 17 buses operating Transit Signal Priority



### **Day to Day Operations**

- Monitor
  - Signal system health, dispatching technicians
  - Incident Management
  - Ride On Bus Central Communications (CAD/AVL)
  - CCTV used for verification
- Control
  - Signal Timing Adjustments on the fly as conditions change
  - Dynamic rerouting of Ride On buses as needed
- Information
  - Traffic show on Cable TV
  - Live traffic info on County website
  - Live messaging to general public via Everbridge
  - CCTV shared with broadcast media and with regional Government Agencies via Mview

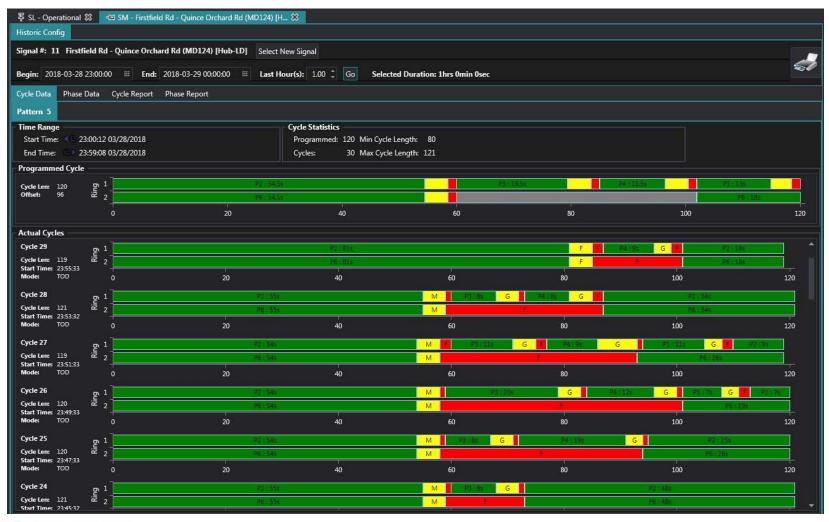


### Advanced Transportation Management System Detailed Signal Status



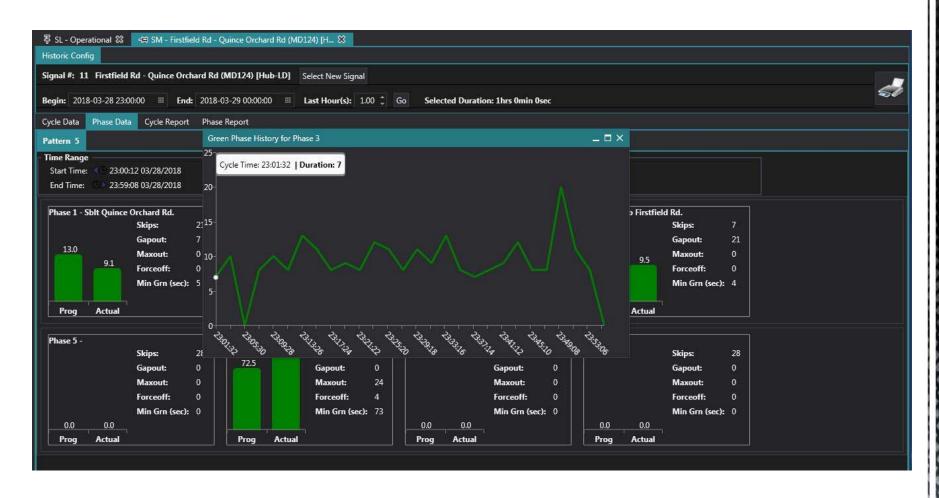


### Advanced Transportation Management System Split Monitor



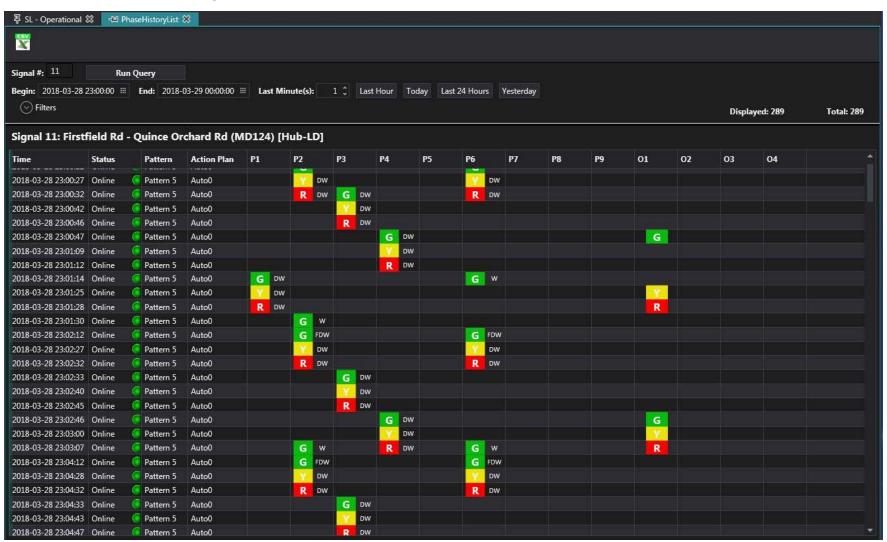


### Advanced Transportation Management System Green Phase History



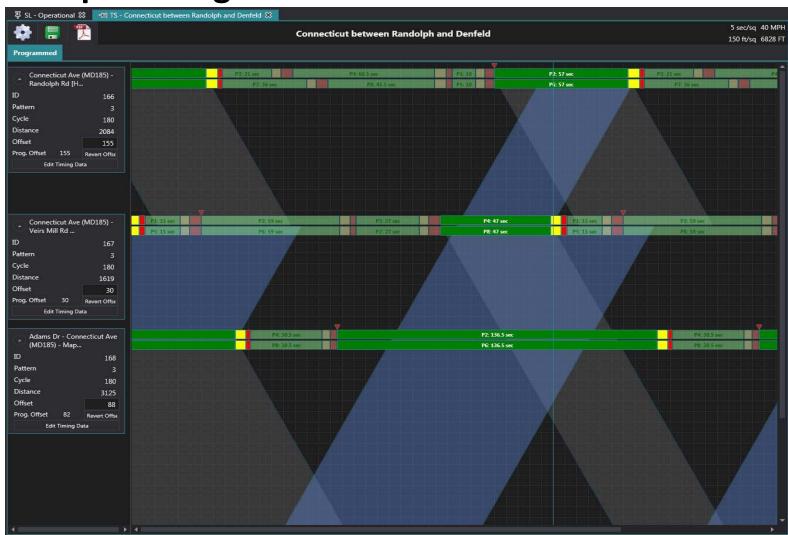


# **Advanced Transportation Management System Phase History**



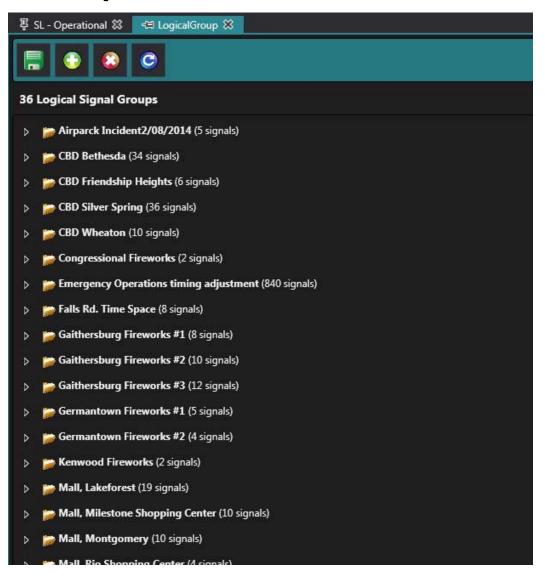


# **Advanced Transportation Management System Time-Space Diagram**



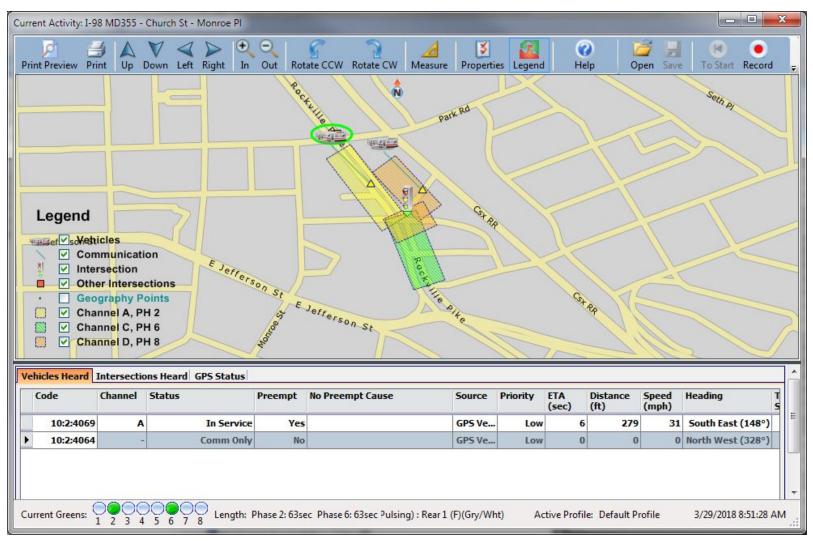


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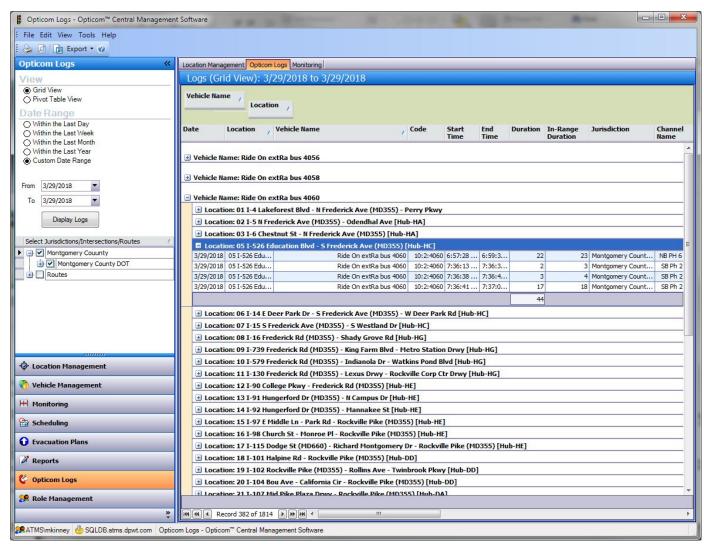


# **Advanced Transportation Management System Transit Signal Priority Current Activity**





#### Advanced Transportation Management System Transit Signal Priority CMS Logs





### **Advanced Transportation Management System Transit Signal Priority System Usage Report**

#### System Usage Report

From 2/28/2018

to 3/29/2018

Jurisdictions included: Montgomery County DOT

Report Generated: 3/29/2018 8:55 AM

90	Summary of Intersections/Vehicles Low Priority		Attempted Preempts	Granted Preempts	Average Granted Preempts
	31	Intersections	60280	44058	14212
	18	Registered Vehicles	60280	44058	2447.7
	0	Unregistered Vehicles	0	0	0.0
	17	Authorized Vehicles	60280	44058	2591.6
	0	Unauthorized Vehicles	0	0	0.0



## **Traffic Adaptive Initiative**

- Phase A Preliminary Engineering (Funded FY17)
  - Selected Montrose Rd/Pkwy corridor for the Pilot
  - Selected SCOOT and Kadence systems for pilot testing
- Phase B Deployment (Proof of Concept, Funded FY18)
  - July 2017 Funding appropriated
  - July September 2017 Field installation of required detection
  - September 2017 Collected before traffic data (after school started)
  - October 2017 through February 2018 Alternatively running SCOOT and Kadence and collecting traffic data



# **Traffic Adaptive Systems Evaluated**

Comparison	Kadence	SCOOT
Cost	\$\$	\$\$\$
Optimization	Split, Cycle, Offset in steps	Split, Cycle, Offset continuous
Detection	Existing stop bar and arterial advance detectors	Upstream per-lane detectors all approaches
Responsiveness	Slow – every few cycles	Very Fast – Each cycle or phase
Application	Mainly arterials	Grids, arterials, all combinations
Architecture	NTCIP – uses inherent controller capability	Gemini Outstation cabinet hardware
Feature Set	TOD Tuner, Saturation Enhancements	Bus priority, gating, incident detection



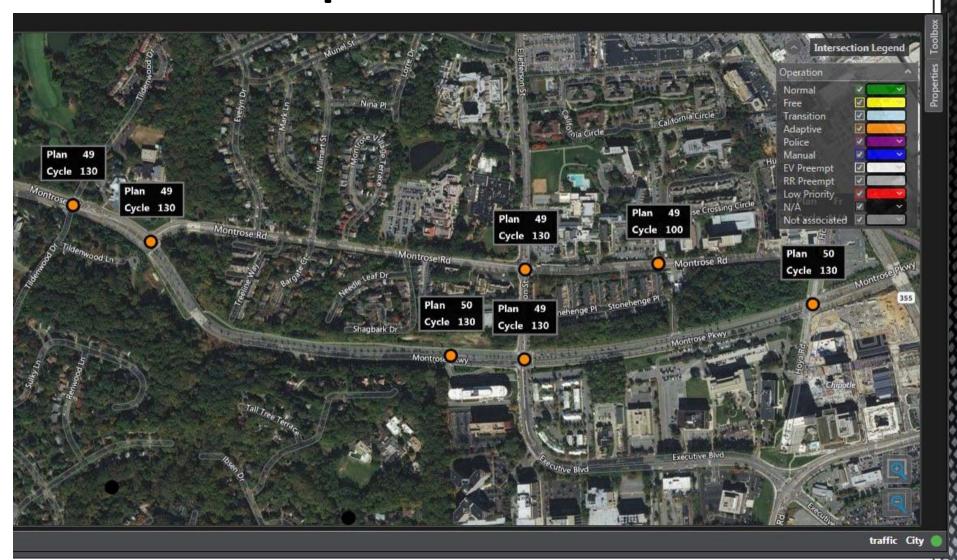
## **Traffic Adaptive Observations**

#### Kadence

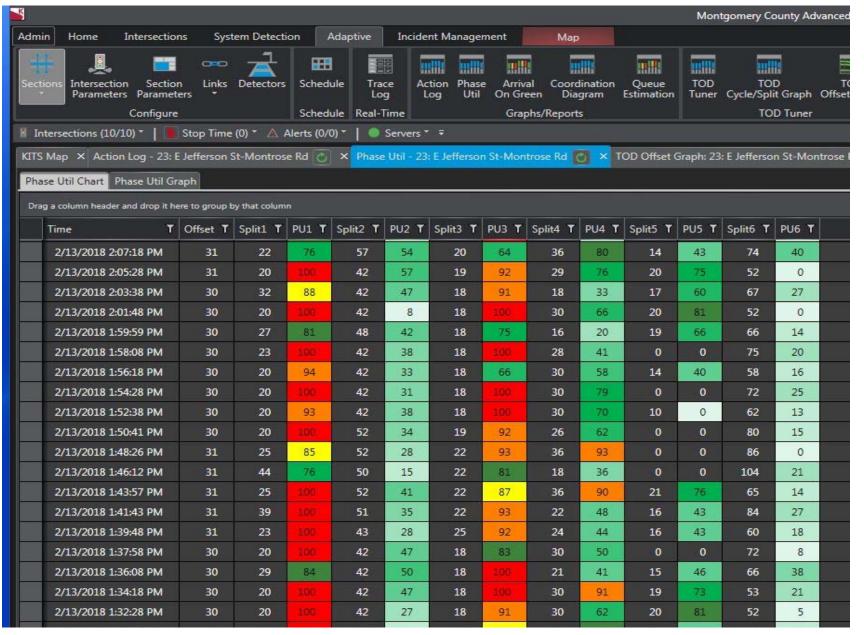
- Signal controllers operate in a way similar to how the County currently runs time based coordination (familiar to users)
- Slower to respond to changes in traffic (typically waits 3 cycles to adjust to changes in demand)
- Discovered limitations in deployment of transit signal priority (needs further investigation, TSP is not a feature of the test corridor)
- User interface is useful and rather intuitive
- Requires some intervention in unusual traffic conditions
- Have observed some negative citizen correspondence during Kadence operation



# **Kadence Map**



#### **Kadence Phase Utilization**



### **Kadence Intersection Detail**



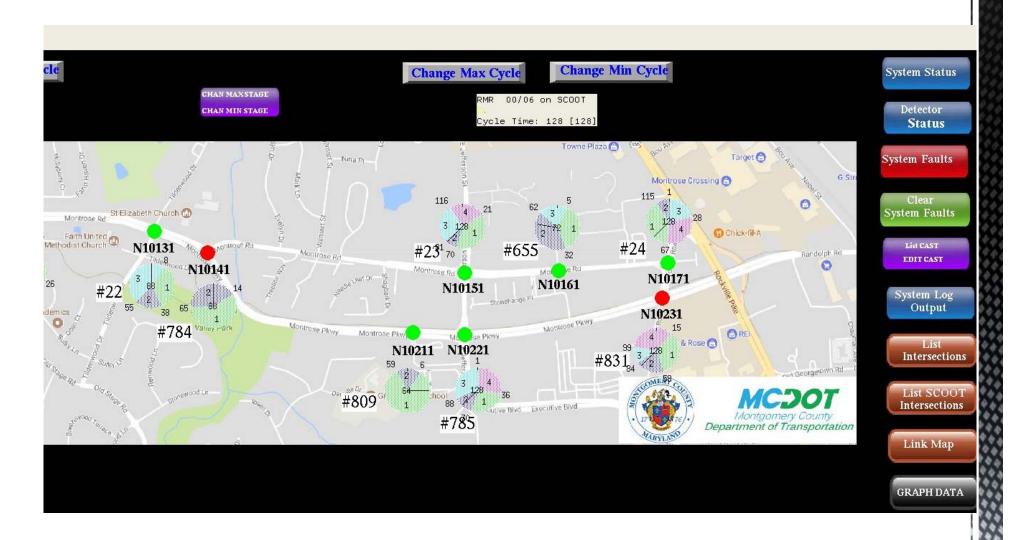
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#### SCOOT

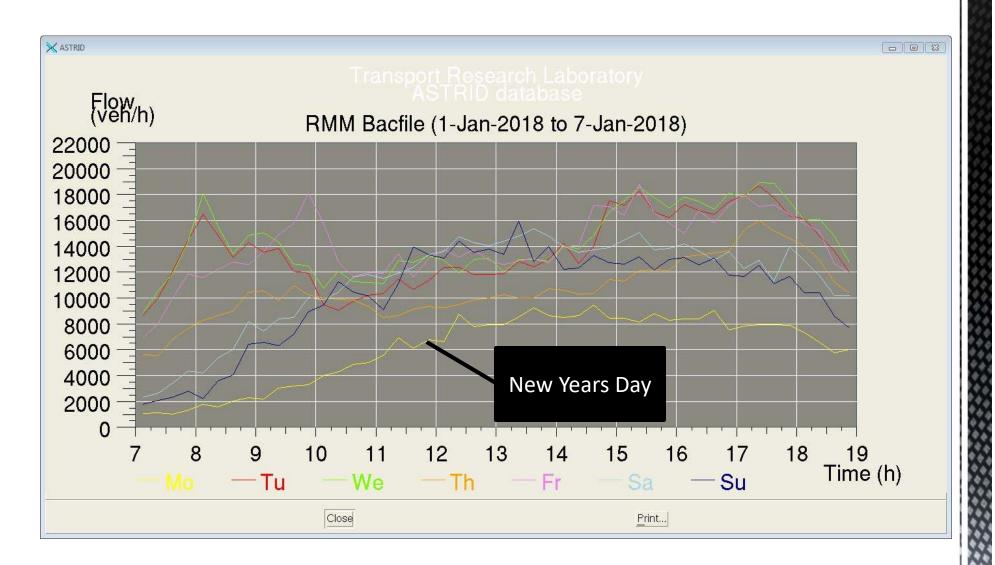
- SCOOT takes over operation of the signal from the local signal controller
- Responds quickly to changes in traffic (each phase change is based on current demand at detectors)
- Responds appropriately to transit signal priority (TSP)
  requests (SCOOT has a mature TSP module that is in use in
  other places)
- User interface is more complicated but usable
- Update to user interface anticipated in 2018
- Handles most unusual traffic situations without intervention
- Requires a hardware interface in the cabinet unless you have Siemens controllers



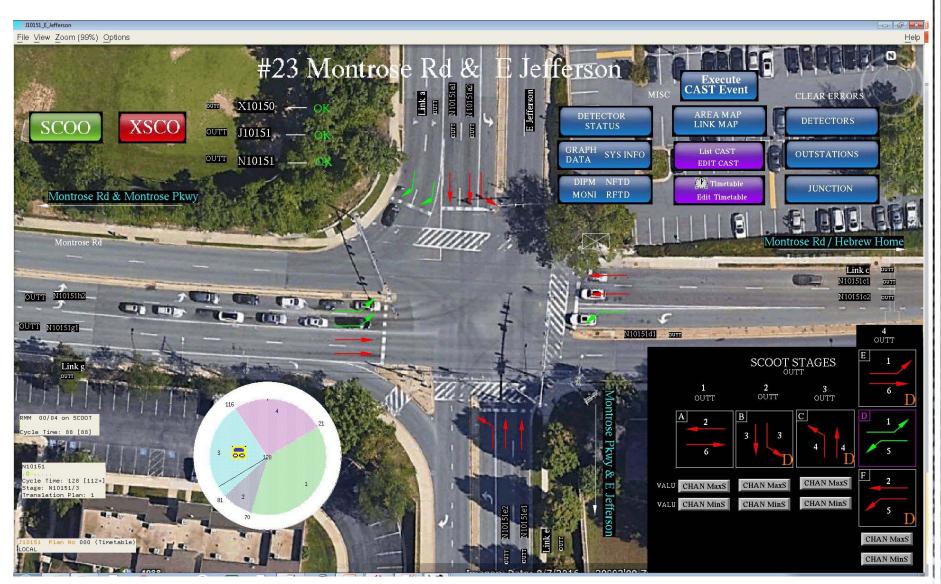
# **SCOOT Map**



#### **SCOOT Traffic Flow**



#### **SCOOT Intersection Detail**



# Maryland's Smart Traffic Signal Initiative

- SHA is investing \$50.3 million to deploy Adaptive Signal Control on 14 corridors in Maryland by the end of 2018
- MD 108 corridor identified as the adaptive corridor in Montgomery County
- DOT is working with SHA and expects to operate the MD 108 adaptive corridor for SHA



# **Traffic Adaptive Findings**

- DOT has observed operational improvements on Montrose Rd/Pkwy with both adaptive systems
- Adaptive systems will require additional staff to manage system and maintain field hardware/detection
- Cost Estimate (not including staffing)
  - \$90K Average per intersection
  - Vehicle detection infrastructure over 60% of system cost
- Detailed traffic analysis is expected in mid April 2018



# **Questions?**

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