Development and Application Assistance for TPB Travel Model

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2012 Task Orders

- T.O. I meetings and general support
- T.O. 2 potential transit model improvements
 - Complete
- T.O. 3 transit summaries and access coding
- T.O. 4 parallel processing
 - Complete (address comments in the final report)
- T.O. 5 begin converting TRNBUILD to PT
- T.O. 6 special transit trips Phase I
 - Subcontracted to Stump Hausman/Bill Allen

Task Order 1: Remaining Deliverables

- Brief MWCOG on the new WMATA postprocessing model for v2.3
 - AEMS → ModeChoice software, new PEF concepts, recalibrated without geographic market segments, Metrorail parking constraints, parallel processing, etc.
- Cube assignments
 - Review memos and assignment convergence tests
- Final report
 - Prepare a composite document from the task reports
 - Summarize consultant findings and recommendations

Task Order 3: Summaries and Access

- Scope of work
 - Update the LineSum software, add features and address applications concerns identified by MWCOG
 - Improve user interface and documentation
 - Propose new coding rules to capture Metrorail access
 - Walk, bus, park-&-ride, kiss-&-ride, commuter rail, etc.
- Status
 - ~85% complete

LineSum Software

- Original software
 - Developed in 2000 for New Jersey Transit
 - Used in most TPPlus/Cube models developed by AECOM
 - Version 1.8 included in MWCOG v2.3.38 model
- MWCOG Testing
 - AECOM addressed problems with v2.3 applications
 - Special characters in line names
 - Line summary problems for routes with unusual peak/offpeak configurations and for routes combined in different directions
 - Added option to summarize station access data by mode
 - 5 rounds of refinements: version 1.8 \rightarrow 2.3



New LineSum Software

- Built on TRANSIMS Version 5 system library
 - Open Source C++ console-based program
 - 32 bit and 64 bit Windows and Linux operating systems
 - User interface tools and standards
 - Control keys, help messages, summary reports and file I/O
- Additional functionality
 - Merges ridership files (replaces LineVol)
 - Additional selection options and range controls
 - Outputs combined ridership data in ArcGIS format
 - Identifies transit network differences
- Preparing Quick Reference and User's Guide



Task Order 5: Begin Converting to PT

- Scope of Work
 - Total link ridership summaries and bandwidth plots
 - ArcGIS and Cube-compatible file formats
 - TRNBUILD to PT network conversion
 - Convert route data and test path building features
 - Prepare a work plan for completing the transition in FY 2013
- Status
 - ~30% complete

Ridership Summaries

- Integrated into LineSum program
 - Combines link ridership for mode and line ranges
 - Riders and headway by peak/offpeak/daily and AB/BA
- Includes performance statistics
 - Peak and offpeak hours of operation and peaking factor
 - PMT/PHT and VMT/VHT by peak/offpeak/daily
 - Peak hour riders and load factor
- Multiple output options
 - Tab delimited, dBase, or ArcGIS formats

TRNBUILD to PT

- Route conversions straightforward
 - FREQ → HEADWAY
- Access link complications
 - Used scripts to convert TRNBUILD access links to PT
 - Should re-build the MWCOG access generation tools
- Testing path building options
 - Build and compare paths generated using TRNBUILD with paths generated by PT
- Estimate the level of effort required to replicate the current model results

Task Order 6: Special Transit Trips

- Scope of Work
 - Air passenger travel
 - Use Baltimore's air passenger model to estimate Metrorail trips
 - External transit trips
 - Use the 2007 Metrorail survey to estimate station-to-station trips that originate outside of the modeled region
 - Visitor travel by transit
 - Use the 2007 Metrorail survey to estimate station-to-station trips made by visitors to the region
- Status
 - ~75% complete



Non-Resident Metrorail Trips

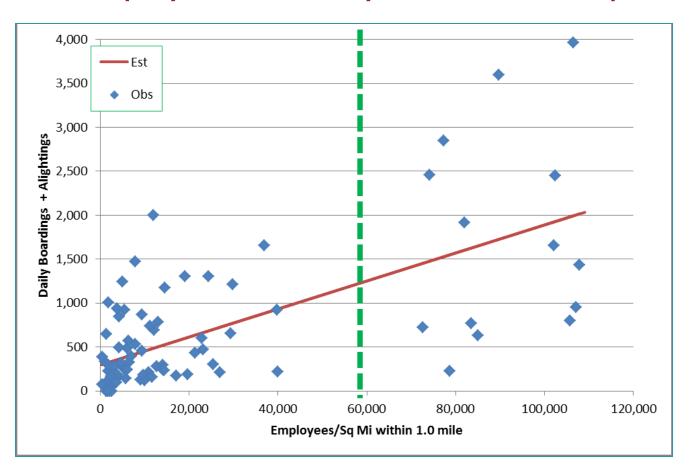
2007 Metrorail survey

Travel Market	Trips
E/I Commuters, auto access	3,092
E/I Non-Work, auto access	1,649
E/I Commuters, walk access/train transfer	8,980
E/I Non-Work, walk access/train transfer	2,940
NHB Visitors (walk access)	10,645
NHB Business (walk access)	3,980
Air Passengers (walk access)	1,678
Total	32,964



Non-Resident Trips at New Stations

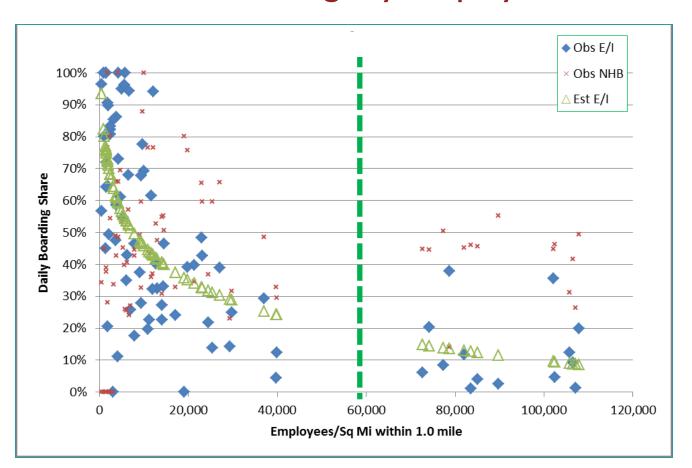
Use employment density to estimate trips





Percent Boardings by Non-Residents

E/I and NHB boardings by employment density





Next Steps

- Deliver LineSum program and documentation
 - Make refinements and respond to commands
- Meet with MWCOG to discuss and complete:
 - WMATA mode choice model briefing
 - Proposed transit access coding methods
 - Initial PT findings and proposed work plan
- Respond to comments on the draft model for external and visitor trips
 - Deliver the airport passenger model
- Prepare the final report