## Cape Cod Canal Transportation Study, 9th Working Group Meeting.

Bourne, Plymouth, Sandwich, Wareham. Sandwich Town Hall, Sandwich. December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2017 3:30 PM to 5:30 PM.

## **Welcome and Introductions.**

#### MassDOT:

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- US Army Corps of Engineers.
  - Craig Martin Project Manager.
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  - Michael Paiewonsky, AICP Team Project Manager (Stantec).
  - Fred Moseley, P.E. Transportation Engineer (Stantec).
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  - Sudhir Murthy, P.E. PTOE Trans. Modeler (TrafInfo).
  - Frank Mahady Socio-Economic (FXM Associates).

## WG Meeting #9 Agenda.

Background: Travel Demand Model (TDM)

**2** Original and New TDM Cases

3 Summary: Origin-Destination Study and Travel Time Analysis Schedule and Next Steps

# Alternatives Development and Analysis.

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# Evaluation of Alternatives -Travel Demand Model.

- Combinations of improvements (known as 'cases') evaluated.
- Cases selected provide logical and comprehensive groups of improvements.
- Travel demand model will reveal modified travel patterns given the transportation system alternatives.
- Seeking improved future traffic conditions, focusing on the fall PM (daily commuting).

# Additional Analysis Since Last Meeting.

 In response to the results of original Case analysis and comments received from Working Group:

Model inputs refined.
Three new cases evaluated.
Sagamore Bridge approach analysis.
Origin-Destination Study.

# Original and New Travel Demand Model Cases.

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## 7 Cases Evaluated.

	TRAVEL DEMAND A	NODEL CA	ASE IMPRO	OVEMENT	S			
Map Location	Improvements	Case 1	Case 1A (NEW)	Case 1B (NEW)	Case 2	Case 2B (NEW)	Case 3	Case 3A
A	Scenic Highway to Rte 25 Westbound On-Ramp	٠	•	•	•	•	•	•
В	Rte 6 Exit 1C Relocation	•			•	٠	•	•
с	Rte 28 Northbound Ramp to Sandwich Road		•	•	•		•	
D	Bourne Rotary (Three New Signalized Intersections)			•	•	•	•	
E	Belmont Circle (3 Leg Roundabout plus Signalized Intersection)				•		•	•
F	Belmont Circle with Rte 25 Eastbound Fly-over					•		
G	New Bridges (Bourne and Sagamore)						•	•
н	Rte 6 Eastbound Travel Lane from Exit 1A to Exit 2						•	•
1	Bourne Rotary with Highway Interchange							

### **2040 Future No-Build Analysis**



Travel Demand Model Case 1 Mid-Term Alternatives (5-8 years For Design and Permitting)

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## **Travel Model Case 1.**



## Travel Demand Model Case 1 New Element – Scenic Highway Ramp.

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Scenic Highway to Rte 25 Westbound Ramp

### Travel Demand Model Case 1 New Element – Route 6 Exit 1C Relocation.

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Existing Exit 1C

Relocated Route 6 - Exit 1C

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E B Off Ramp

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Tupper Road

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### Travel Model Case 1 Analysis (Mid-Term Alternatives).



# Travel Model Case 1 Overall Delay (Mid-Term Alternatives).

#### **Overall Delay (mins)**



### Travel Model Case 1 Summary of Findings – Sagamore Bridge.

LEGEND Summer Saturday Queue Lengths Non-Summer PM Queue Lengths

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Max Queve (feet)	Vehicle Delay (sec)						
mmer Saturday							
24,484	887						
25,029	812						
Ion-Summe	er PM						
8,476	460						
7,967	178						
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LEGEND
Summer Saturday Queue Lengths
Non-Summer PM Queue Lengths
Case 1 Improvements
SAGAMORE BRIDGE CASE 1
Max

Intersection		Queue (feet)	Delay (sec)				
32	Summer Saturday						
X	Rte 3 SB	24,826	895				
	Rte 6 WB	10,037	210				
	Non-Summer PM						
Y	Rte 3 SB	4,090	453				
2	Rte 6 WB	0	2				
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Sagamore Bridge

Sagamore Bridge

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### Effect of New Exit 1C on Off-Season Travel Times from Area Neighborhoods.



# Travel Model Case 1 Summary of Findings.

#### **Belmont Circle:**

Summer: Modest reduction in delay (esp. Route 25 Exit 3 ramp & Head of the Bay Road). Non-Summer: Substantial reduction in delay (Head of the Bay Road).

*Remaining delay locations*: Scenic Hwy and Main Street (summer).
Why? New ramp results in fewer vehicles entering east side of Circle, reducing conflict at Exit 3 ramp and Head of the Bay Road. <u>In summer</u>, this benefit is lost for other approaches. Travel Model Case 1 Summary of Findings.

Bourne Rotary: No change in delay times.

Remaining delay locations: Route 28 NB & SB and Sandwich Road.

**Why?** Roadway design at Bourne Rotary remains unchanged and there is no change in traffic volumes.

# Travel Model Case 1 Summary of Findings.

#### **Sagamore Bridge:**

- Route 6 westbound substantial reduction in delay during both summer and non-summer.
- **Why?** Longer acceleration/deceleration lanes (less turbulence at bridge), reduced Exit 1C volumes.
- Route 3 southbound modest reduction in delay during non-summer. No summer time delay reduction.
- **Why?** Fewer vehicles entering Route 3 from Scenic Hwy reduces queues.

Travel Demand Model Case 1A (NEW!) Mid-Term Alternatives (5-8 years For Design and Permitting)

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## **Travel Model Case 1A.**



### Travel Model Case 1A Analysis (Mid-Term Alternatives).



# Travel Model Case 1A (Mid-Term Alternatives).

#### **Overall Delay (mins)**



## Travel Model Case 1A Summary of Findings. Belmont Circle:

Summer: Moderate reduction in delay. (esp. Head of the Bay Road) *Non-Summer:* Substantial reduction in delay (Route 25 Exit 3 and Head of the Bay Road).

Remaining delay locations: Main St. (esp. summer). Why? Year round - fewer vehicles entering Circle from east reduces conflicts at Exit 3 ramp and Head of Bay Road. During summer, delay time at Scenic Hwy is reduced by 50%. Numerous destinations on Main St. attracts high traffic volumes (3 minute summer delay).

**Travel Model Case 1A** Summary of Findings. **Bourne Rotary:** Overall modest delay reduction Summer: Route 28 NB queues/delay is substantially reduced. No improvement at other approaches Non-Summer: Moderate reduction in Route 28 NB queue. No changes elsewhere Remaining delay locations: Route 28 SB, Trowbridge Road (3-5 min delay), Sandwich Road (3 min. summer delay) Why? Year round - new ramp is effective at reducing

queues on Route 28 northbound. <u>During summer</u> Sandwich Road degrades because of increased traffic entering Sandwich/Old Sandwich Road intersection. Travel Demand Model Case 1B (NEW!) Mid-Term Alternatives (5-8 years For Design and Permitting)

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## **Travel Model Case 1B.**



## Travel Demand Model Case 1B New Element – Bourne Rotary.

Bourne Bridge

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New Signalized Intersection

Trowbridge Road

New Signalized Intersection

Bourne Rotary (Three New Signalized Intersections)

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Sandwich Road

**New Signalized Intersection** 

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### Travel Model Case 1B Analysis (Mid-Term Alternatives).



# Travel Model Case 1B (Mid-Term Alternatives).

#### **Overall Delay (mins)**



## Travel Model Case 1B Summary of Findings. Belmont Circle:

Summer: Moderate reduction in delay (slightly better than Case 1A, esp. Main Street & Scenic Hwy) *Non-Summer:* Substantial reduction in delay (same as 1A).

Remaining delay locations: Head of the Bay Road (1-11 min delay) & Main Street (non-summer only).

Why? <u>Year round</u> - reduced queues on Route 25 southbound improves operations from Exit 3 into Belmont Circle all year. <u>During summer</u>, destinations on Main Street continue to attract many trips but average delay reduced to 16 seconds. Travel Model Case 1B Summary of Findings. Bourne Rotary: Overall modest delay reduction Summer: Moderate reduction in delay (Main St, Scenic Hwy)

*Non-Summer:* Substantial reduction in delay. *Remaining delay locations*: Route 28 NB and Trowbridge Road (summer only).

**Why?** <u>During summer</u>, new configuration of Rotary improves overall operations but results in fewer gaps for vehicles entering from Route 28 northbound and Trowbridge Road, inhibiting delay reductions.

### Travel Demand Model Case 2 Mid-Term Alternatives (5-8 years For Design and Permitting)

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### Travel Demand Model Case 2.



## Travel Demand Model Case 2 New Element – Belmont Circle.

Buzzards Bay Bypass

Main Street

Belmont Circle (3-Leg Roundabout plus Signalized Intersection)

**Signalized Intersection** 

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cenic Highway
### Travel Model Case 2 Analysis (Mid-Term Alternatives).



# Travel Model Case 2 (Mid-Term Alternatives).

#### **Overall Delay (mins)**



# Travel Model Case 2 Summary of Findings.

### Belmont Circle:

Summer: Moderate reduction in delay (somewhat less effective than Case 1B, esp. Main Street and Scenic Highway) Non-Summer: Substantial reduction in delay (esp Head of the Bay Road). Remaining delay locations: Scenic Hwy, Main St. (summer only).

**Why?** <u>During Summer</u> - reduced delay on Route 25 SB attracts more people to travel through Belmont Circle especially on Scenic Hwy and Main St, inhibiting delay reductions.

Travel Model Case 2 Summary of Findings. Bourne Rotary: Substantial delay reduction Summer: Substantial reduction in delay (esp. Route 25 southbound, Sandwich Road).

*Non-Summer:* Substantial reduction in delay. *Remaining delay locations*: Route 28 NB (summer only).

Why? <u>During Summer</u>, new configuration of Rotary improves overall operations but results in fewer gaps for vehicles entering from Route 28 northbound, inhibiting delay reductions.

# Origin-Destination Study and Travel Time Analysis

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#### **Origin-Destination Study** Travel Zones and Analysis Locations. **Travel Analysis Locations** 5 Zone 4 Zone 5 495 Zone 8 Zone 7 Zone 3 25 5 Zone 6 195 6 Zone 1 **Travel Analysis Locations**

Zone 2

- 1 = Buzzards Bay Rotary
- 2 = Bourne Bridge
- 3 = Scenic Highway
- 4 = Sandwich Road
- 5 = Bournedale Road
- 6 = Sagamore Bridge
- 7 = Rte 6A/Rte 130 Intersection

### Summer: Origin-Destination Study Travel Patterns for trips to Cape Cod (Zone 1).



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# Origin-Destination Study Summary of Findings.

- Currently, congested operations at Belmont Circle and Bourne Rotary discourage use of the Bourne Bridge.
- As operations improve at Belmont Circle and Bourne Rotary, traffic shifts to the more direct route on the Bourne Bridge. This is especially noticeable during summer with new bridge construction (Case 3 and Case 3A).

# Origin-Destination Study Summary of Findings.

This shift to the Bourne Bridge results in increased traffic on:

- Belmont Circle (esp. Main Street, Route 25),
- Sandwich Road.

### increased traffic on:

- Sagamore Bridge,
- Scenic Highway.

Travel Demand Model Case 2B (NEW!) Mid-Term Alternatives (5-8 years For Design and Permitting)

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## **Travel Model Case 2B.**



## Travel Model Case 2B. New Element – Belmont Circle Flv-over

Buzzards Bay Bypass

Main Street

Bridge Crossover

Signalized Intersection

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Belmont Circle Fly-Over

Scenic Highway

### Travel Model Case 2B Analysis (Mid-Term Alternatives).



# Travel Model Case 2B (Mid-Term Alternatives).

#### **Overall Delay (mins)**



## Travel Model Case 2B Summary of Findings. Belmont Circle:

Summer: No overall delay reduction (not as effective as Case 1B or Case 2) Increased delays at Head of the Bay Road and Buzzards Bay Bypass. Non-Summer: Substantial reduction in delay.

 Remaining delay locations: Head of Bay Road and Buzzards Bay Bypass (summer only).

Why? <u>Year round</u> - many more vehicles attracted to Circle area. <u>During Summer more freely flowing traffic</u> in roundabout increases difficulty for vehicles entering from Main St. Head of Bay Road, Buzzards Bay Bypass.

**Travel Model Case 2B** Summary of Findings. **Bourne Rotary:** Substantial delay reduction (better than Case 1 B or Case 2). Summer: Substantial reduction in delay. Non-Summer: Substantial reduction in delay. Remaining delay locations: Route 28 NB,

Trowbridge Road (summer only).

Why? Change in Rotary design allows increased traffic flow from Route 28 SB. This increases difficulty for vehicles entering from Route 28 NB and Trowbridge Road.

### Travel Demand Model Case 3 Long-Term Alternatives (8+ years For Design and Permitting)

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## **Travel Model Case 3.**



### Travel Model Case 3 Analysis (Long-Term Alternatives).



# Travel Model Case 3 (Long-Term Alternatives).

#### **Overall Delay (mins)**



## Travel Model Case 3 Summary of Findings. Belmont Circle:

Summer: Overall, no delay reduction.

Non-Summer: Substantial reduction in delay.

 Remaining delay locations: Head of Bay Road, Buzzards Bay Bypass, Main St. (summer only).

Why? More vehicles attracted to Belmont Circle area with new bridge (esp. Main Street, +225 in peak hour). Heavier traffic volumes in roundabout delays vehicles entering from other approaches.

# Travel Model Case 3 Summary of Findings.

#### **Bourne Rotary:**

Summer: Varying improvements based on approach.

- Route 28 South/ Sandwich Road – Minor delay.

- Route 28 North/Trowbridge Road – Longer delay.

*Non-Summer:* Substantial reduction in delay. *Remaining delay locations:* Trowbridge Rd (summer only).

Why? – <u>During summer</u>, additional traffic attracted to new bridge (+715 in peak hour) results in delays at signalized intersections as difficulty in entering rotary increases.

### Travel Demand Model Case 3A Long-Term Alternatives (8+ years For Design and Permitting)

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## **Travel Model Case 3A.**



the Bourne Rotary reconstructed as a highway interchange.

#### Travel Demand Model Case 3A New Element – Bourne Rotary Highway Interchange.



### Travel Model Case 3A Analysis (Long-Term Alternatives).



# Travel Model Case 3A (Long-Term Alternatives).

#### **Overall Delay (mins)**



### Travel Model Case 3A Sagamore Bridge Approaches.



## Travel Model Case 3A Summary of Findings. Belmont Circle:

Summer: Overall, minor delay reduction (esp. Main Street). Non-Summer: Substantial reduction in delay (esp. Head of Bay Road, Main Street).

*Remaining delay locations*: Head of Bay Road, Scenic Hwy, Main St. (summer only).

**Why?** <u>During Summer</u> - Improvements to Bourne Rotary make Belmont Circle area even more attractive. Heavier volumes on Circle approaches (Main Street +225 in peak hour) results in delay at roundabout.

**Travel Model Case 3A** Summary of Findings. **Bourne Rotary:** Substantial delay reduction Summer: Minor delays at intersections. *Non-Summer:* Few delays along highway or at intersections. Remaining delay locations: None

**Why?** Reconstruction of Bourne Rotary as a highway interchange allows traffic to flow freely during summer and non-summer.

# Travel Model Case 3A Summary of Findings.

#### Sagamore Bridge:

Route 6 westbound – minor delays in summer and non-summer periods (8-16 seconds).

Route 3 southbound – No delay during summer and non-summer periods.

Why? Construction of new Sagamore Bridge with accessory lanes and Route 6 eastbound lane to Exit 2 alleviates nearly all delay during summer and non-summer.

# Travel Demand Model Belmont Circle Overall Findings.

#### Belmont Circle Overall Delay (mins)



# Travel Demand Model Bourne Rotary Overall Findings.

#### Bourne Rotary Overall Delay (mins)


## Travel Demand Model Sagamore Bridge Overall Findings.





# Travel Demand Model Overall Findings.

- Notable reductions in delay during the non-summer period can be achieved with mid-term improvements (up to Case 2) at Belmont Circle and Bourne Rotary.
- As traffic conditions improve, especially in Case 3 and 3A, traffic shifts from Sagamore Bridge to Bourne Bridge. For this reason, Belmont Circle improvements remain a challenge during the summer.

# Travel Demand Model Overall Findings.

- Case 1B (Bourne Rotary Reconstruction and Scenic Hwy to Route 25 WB ramp) effective at reducing delay at both Bourne Rotary and Belmont Circle during non-summer.
- Case 2 somewhat more effective than Case 1B in Belmont Circle in nonsummer although summer delays remain as more vehicles attracted to Bourne Bridge area.

## Travel Demand Model Overall Findings.

- Case 3A Construction of highway interchange at Bourne Rotary (concurrent with new Bourne Bridge) would be necessary to reduce delay.
- Reduction delay along Route 3/Route 6 corridor not achieved until long-term improvements (Case 3 and 3A - new canal bridges and new Route 6 eastbound lane) are constructed.

### Schedule and Next Steps.

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#### Next Steps.

- Next Working Group Meeting
  - Cost Estimates
  - Highway Noise
  - Economic Analysis
  - Matrix of Study Findings
  - Study Recommendations
- Draft Study Report March 2018

# Study Schedule.

	2016			2017												2018			
	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr
TASK 3 Alternatives Development																			
Working Group Meeting																			
Public Meeting			٠																
TASK 4 Alternatives Analysis																			
Mobility/Accessibility Analysis																			
Safety Analysis																			
Environmental Effects Analysis																			
Land Use/Economic Development																			
Community Effects/TitleVI/EJ																			
Cost Analysis																			
Working Group Meeting				٠						٠					٠				
Public Meeting																			
TASK 5 Recommendations																			
Draft report																			
Working Group Meeting																٠			
Public Meeting																		٠	
TASK 6 Final Report																			

### **Questions?**

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