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#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) and the Illinois Center for Transportation (ICT) sponsored and hosted the 2010 *Highway Safety Manual* (HSM) Lead State Peer-to-Peer Workshop November 17–18, 2010, at the IDOT District 1 Office in Schaumburg, Illinois. The peer-exchange workshop involved representatives from 13 selected states and experts familiar with HSM development and implementation in order to facilitate the exchange of experiences and examples related to HSM implementation among the lead states.

The workshop covered a wide range of topics regarding the institutionalization of new quantitative safety methods (policies, design, planning, leadership, etc.), challenges and barriers (data collection and integration, statistical methods, analysis tools, training needs), case studies, and successful applications of the HSM. This report summarizes attendee statistics, the conference program, main activities (including 24 presentation and discussion sessions), and attendee feedback. Prospects for future workshops and training opportunities are also discussed.

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#### CHAPTER 1 INTRODUCTION

The substantial development effort by the National Cooperative Highway Research Program (NCHRP), the Transportation Research Board (TRB), and the American Association of State and Highway Transportation Officials (AASHTO) has led to publication of the first edition of AASHTO's Highway Safety Manual (HSM). The HSM is the first comprehensive document providing a scientific, data-supported decision-making tool for practitioners when considering safety explicitly during their daily work. It provides new concepts for application by state highway agencies throughout the safety management process and particularly in the estimation of safety benefits of proposed highway improvement projects. The manual also includes network screening methods to identify potential safety improvement project locations, diagnostic guidance based on historical crash patterns, selection process of appropriate countermeasures, economic analyses, and establishment of project priorities, along with methods for evaluating the effectiveness of completed projects. The HSM also provides predictive methods for estimating the safety benefits of proposed highway improvement projects. Estimating the effect of proposed projects or of several project design alternatives on crash frequencies and severities can now become a routine part of the project development process. It will allow safety to be considered on a quantitative basis in project development the same way as other factors such as traffic operations, air quality, noise, and cost are considered.

The Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) in partnership with the Illinois Center for Transportation (ICT) developed analytical tools to identify and manage a systemwide program of site-specific and systematic improvements to develop strategies to prevent and reduce fatalities and severe injuries from motor vehicle crashes. These tools, such as Illinois' own safety performance functions (SPFs), were developed using advanced statistical techniques for Illinois state highways. IDOT has fully incorporated SPFs into its safety program and has used SPFs to identify locations to be included in the federally required 5% report. IDOT further expects to implement the *SafetyAnalyst* tool and adopt the AASHTO HSM. Illinois' participation in the review of the HSM through development has allowed IDOT to begin implementation immediately. Illinois, along with a key group of other states, is aggressively working to implement the HSM. IDOT has worked with those states, FHWA, AASHTO, and NCHRP in a phased approach to implementation, which included hosting a national SPF Summit, providing training to IDOT staff, and the proposed lead state peer exchange.

IDOT sponsored in partnership with FHWA the first-ever Safety Performance Function (SPF) Summit with state DOT representatives across the country. This event created significant benefits to Illinois and IDOT. It allowed IDOT to validate its SPFs and take steps to update them to be in line with the HSM, led to development of a one-day SPF workshop by ICT for IDOT engineers, and ultimately brought IDOT more resources and support from FHWA and AASHTO. Upon the success of the SPF Summit, IDOT was granted the opportunity to host the HSM pilot training in Schaumburg in May 2010, which allowed many Illinois engineers to become familiar with the HSM document and its applications. IDOT has used the training materials from NCHRP Project 17-38, "Highway Safety Manual Implementation and Training Materials," and expanded this training to all five regions in the state to maximize implementation.

The HSM has the potential to bring about major changes in the accuracy and completeness of safety analyses conducted by highway agencies. However, like any new analysis tool, the HSM will be effective only if it is implemented by highway agencies.

Recent experience has shown that one of the best ways to encourage highway agencies to implement new approaches is to show examples of other agencies that are taking a lead role in the implementation. IDOT and ICT, therefore, sponsored and hosted the HSM Lead State Peer-to-Peer Workshop to facilitate the systematic and effective implementation of the HSM in Illinois and peer states. The purpose of this two-day workshop, held November 17–18, 2010, at the IDOT District 1 Office in Schaumburg, Illinois, was to disseminate information and facilitate discussions on various ongoing and emerging activities and issues regarding the development and implementation of the HSM. Twenty-four presentations followed by question-and-answer time and facilitated open discussions gave the representatives of 13 lead states and other organizations the opportunity to learn about recent developments by the leading states and federal initiatives. The workshop facilitated the exchange of experiences and examples related to HSM implementation among the lead states by covering a range of topics such as

- Achievements in the institutionalization of new quantitative safety methods
  - Network screening
  - o Policies
  - o Construction, design, planning, and operations
  - Leadership and champions
- Challenges faced and overcoming barriers
  - Data, data needs, methods for completing the dataset
  - o Methods for using tools with limited data
  - o SPF calibration an SPF development
  - Leadership support and resources
  - o Training DOT staff and local agencies
- Training
  - Needs and available training
  - Outcome of local training sessions
  - Future plans for training
- Data, data needs, and tools
  - Sharing data
  - Data collection methods
  - o Data integration
- SPF development and calibration
  - SafetyAnalyst and Interactive Highway Safety Design Model (IHSDM)
- Case studies and applications of the HSM
  - Projects using HSM methods

There was open communication and sharing of experiences, challenges, and successes throughout the workshop, which helped ensure that leading highway agencies benefit from the experiences of other highway agencies. The survey at the end of the workshop showed that all participants found the experience very positive and would like to return to another workshop next year. It was clear that the momentum created at last year's SPF summit has continued to grow, and we aim to continue these advancements in the

explicit quantification of safety. Among the 104 participants, about 50 came from IDOT district and central offices; hence, the workshop also helped IDOT agencies benefit from the experience of leading states in the nation.

The organization of this report is as follows. Section 2 briefly describes attendee statistics. Section 3 presents the conference program, including preparation and management of the event, and then briefly summarizes the main activities at the workshop. Section 4 summarizes the next steps for implementation in various states and at FHWA. Section 5 summarizes attendee feedback. Section 6 then discusses prospects for future training opportunities and recommends future steps to build on the current momentum and address the needs of the safety community.

#### CHAPTER 2 ATTENDEE STATISTICS

#### 2.1 STATE SELECTION SURVEY

IDOT and ICT created an HSM Lead State Peer-to-Peer Workshop Planning Committee to identify participating states, develop the workshop program, and organize the workshop. There was overwhelming interest from states to participate in the HSM Lead State Peer-to-Peer Workshop; however, budget and space constraints limited the number of states attending to 13. The HSM Workshop Planning Committee distributed a short survey to states to gain insight into their HSM implementation experiences and determine their commitment to advancing HSM. The following questions were included in the survey:

- 1. Has your agency expressed interest in implementing the HSM?
- 2. Has your agency assigned a lead staff member or team to assist in the implementation of the HSM?
- 3. Has your agency supported staff to assist with the development or implementation of the HSM on the national level?
- 4. Has your agency purchased copies of the HSM for staff?
- 5. Has your agency provided or have funds dedicated to implement a plan to provide staff with HSM training (at least 1 day training, beyond webinars)?
- 6. Has your agency calibrated or have funds dedicated to calibrate the HSM safety performance functions (SPFs) for use in your state or has your agency developed or have funds to develop state specific SPFs in the near future?
- 7. Has your agency begun or plan on implementing SafetyAnalyst?
- 8. Has your agency supported local and MPOs in safety analysis techniques?
- 9. Does your agency have a plan for supporting local agencies in the implementation of the HSM?
- 10. Will your agency support other non-lead state DOTs in the implementation of the HSM?

The HSM Workshop Planning Committee reviewed each of the questionnaire responses and based on HSM implementation experience, commitment to implementation at the state and local level, and geographic representation assigned states in two groups: (1) HSM lead states or (2) HSM support states. The following states, including Illinois, were invited to participate as lead states: Alabama, California, Florida, Louisiana, Maine, Michigan, Missouri, New Hampshire, Ohio, Utah, Virginia, and Washington. IDOT and ICT extended invitations to the HSM development and implementation lead state experts to participate in the workshop and share information. These HSM lead states are expected to partner with HSM support states (and others still in the infancy of implementing the HSM) to further HSM implementation within their agencies. HSM support states will be asked to participate in future initiatives.

The travel expenses of up to three people from the invited state DOTs were covered by the project. Representatives from IDOT's central office and each of the IDOT districts were also invited. A total of 102 participants attended the workshop, representing safety engineers, data managers, head analysts, agency statisticians, local university researchers (affiliated with state DOT's and FHWA division offices, AASHTO, and TRB), key researchers

involved in the development of HSM, and researchers and developers from the private sector. A list of attendees and their affiliations is presented in Appendix A.

On the workshop registration page, each attendee was asked to provide personal information and respond to the following request: "Please briefly explain your perspective on implementing HSM in your organization."

Among the 102 attendees, 49 provided a response to this question, which can be classified into four major categories:

- Implementation of HSM has been initiated.
- Preparations are going on for future implementation.
- Considering implementation/interested to know more about HSM implementation.
- No answer (implying no immediate intention to implement HSM).

Figure 1 shows that the majority of the attendees will be involved with HSM implementation in the near future.

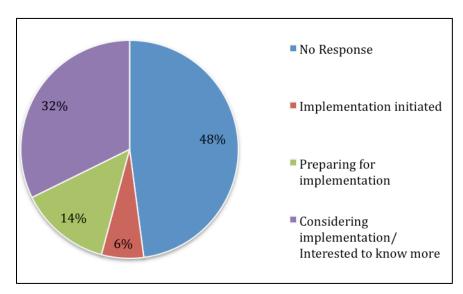


Figure 1. State of HSM implementation among participants.

Among the 102 attendees, their affiliations can be classified into four categories (Figure 2):

- Federal agency
- State/local agency
- Academic organization
- Private organization

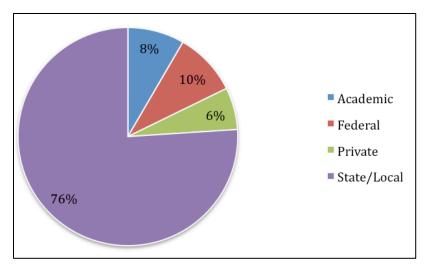


Figure 2. Breakdown of participants by affiliation.

The following organizations were represented (number of attendees in parentheses):

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Alabama Department of Transportation (1)

AWPA Chicago Metro Chapter (1)

California Department of Transportation (1)

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Federal Highway Administration (7)

Florida Department of Transportation (3)

Illinois Department of Transportation (44)

Ionia County Road Commission (1)

LA LTAP/LA Transportation Research Center (1)

Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (3)

Maine Department of Transportation (2)

Michigan Department of Transportation (2)

Michigan Tech University (1)

Missouri Department of Transportation (3)

NAVIGATS Inc. (1)

New Hampshire Department of Transportation (3)

Ohio Department of Transportation (2)

Southern Illinois University–Edwardsville (1)

Transportation Research Board (1)

University of Alabama (2)

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (8)

Utah Department of Transportation (2)

Virginia Department of Transportation (3)

Washington State Department of Transportation (3)

#### CHAPTER 3 THE WORKSHOP

During the course of planning for the HSM Lead State Peer-to-Peer Workshop, the HSM Workshop Planning Committee held individual conference calls with each of the selected lead states to gather input. The first set of calls was intended to gather basic information from the states to determine their vision for a successful workshop and gain insight into information the states would like to contribute to the workshop. Specific call discussion topics included

- Confirming primary point of contact
- Obtaining the state's vision for a successful workshop
- Asking whether there is a topic the state would be interested in presenting on (from an initial set of topics identified by the planning committee)
- Asking whether there is any topic that the state would be interested in presenting on (that was not on the initial topic list)
- Obtaining name of proposed speaker(s)
- Asking whether the state would be sending reference materials
- Soliciting other comments

The information gathered on the calls was used to refine the workshop agenda and prepare for the HSM Lead State Peer-to-Peer Workshop planning meeting that was held on September 29, 2010. The invitation of speakers, attendees, and online registration of the workshop started in September. Onsite registration was open from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, November 16, and continued from 8:00 to 8:30 a.m. on Wednesday, November 17. The conference sessions (no breakout sessions) started at 8:30 a.m. on November 17 and concluded at 5:00 p.m. on November 18. In most sessions, the presentations were followed by question-and-answer time or facilitated discussions.

#### 3.1. PREPARATION PRIOR TO THE WORKSHOP

One of the major comments obtained from the phone calls pertained to the workshop format. Participants did not want to hear several reports or a series of structured presentations; rather they wanted an opportunity to share and discuss best practices with their peers. This was accomplished by focusing on key aspects of HSM implementation for approximately one hour per topic. Typically two presenters would start the discussions with a short 5- to 10-minute presentation to set the stage for more detailed discussion and exchange among peers on the particular focus topic. After brief opening presentations, there was approximately 45 minutes of facilitated dialog.

Presenters were told that the presentations should include the purpose of the work, how they went about the work, data needs and how they were addressed, identification of barriers and how they were overcome, and next steps. Presenters were also given a list of items that participants wanted to hear about during discussions on the topic, as well as a presentation template. The template used the AASHTO HSM background for consistency and helped to ensure that presenters addressed key items for setting the stage for further discussion on the focus topic.

On September 29, 2010, representatives from HSM lead states met from 8:00 to 9:30 a.m. to coordinate workshop planning. During the planning meeting, these representatives discussed their vision for a successful workshop; confirmed their topics, speakers, and

attendees; and reviewed registration, travel plan logistics, and important dates (see Sections D.1, D.2, and D.3 in Appendix D).

Results of the planning meeting were used to refine the workshop agenda and provide additional guidance to states for developing their presentations for the workshop. Just prior to submitting the final presentations by the November 8 deadline, the HSM Workshop Planning Committee conducted a second set of calls with lead states. Each of the lead states was contacted to confirm participation and logistics and discuss their presentation, including content, to ensure consistency and make sure the presentation addressed information sought by lead states (see Sections D.4 and D.5 in Appendix D).

By November 8, HSM lead states had submitted several items including their final presentations, resources to share with other states, and a discussion form. The shared resources were items states had worked on and were willing to share with other states as examples that could be used to help other states in their efforts to advance HSM implementation. For example, IDOT shared a draft policy titled "Safety in the Project Development Process," and Louisiana shared its "Guidance for Safety Improvements for Pavement Preservation/Rehabilitation/Replacement (PRR) Projects."

Finally, to better facilitate discussions during the workshop, the HSM Workshop Planning Committee distributed a discussion form to gather additional input from participants prior to the workshop. The discussion form included questions by topic area asking participants what they wanted to contribute and what they would like to hear discussed for each topic area. The results of the discussion form were used to ensure that questions were addressed and that states contributed items that added value to the workshop and helped achieve the goal of advancing HSM implementation (see Appendix D, Section D.6).

#### 3.2 PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Table 1 is a list of sessions and speakers/moderators at the HSM workshop. Electronic versions of these files, as well as video footage of all sessions, are available at the conference website (<a href="http://ict.illinois.edu/conferences/hsmworkshop2010/schedule.htm">http://ict.illinois.edu/conferences/hsmworkshop2010/schedule.htm</a>). The biographies of all speakers and moderators can be found in Appendix B, a list of acronyms is provided in Appendix C, and the presentation slides are provided in Appendix E.

Table 1. 2010 HSM Workshop Program

Welcome and Opening Session	Priscilla Tobias and Kelly Hardy
Session 1: Global Perspective on HSM Implementation	Washington, John Milton
Session 2: Approach to Institutionalization	Utah, Robert Hull Ohio, Don Fisher
Session 3: State Implementation Plans, Step by Step	Missouri, Jon Nelson Alabama, Dan Turner
Session 4: Policy	Illinois, Dave Piper Louisiana, Dan Magri
Session 5: Resources and Funding	Illinois, Priscilla Tobias (table continues, next page)

Session 6: Training	Michigan, Tim Colling New Hampshire, Stuart Thompson Alabama, Tim Barnett
Session 7: National Roadmap for Implementation	FHWA, Esther Strawder
Session 8: Data and Data Needs	Washington, John Milton Louisiana, Terri Monaghan Florida, Joe Santos FHWA, Jeff Miller
Session 9: HSM Applications–Part B	Washington, John Milton Ohio, Jonathan Hughes
Session 10: SPF Development and Calibration	Michigan, Dale Lighthizer Virginia, Stephen Read
Session 11: HSM Applications–Part C	Maine, Darryl Belz Florida, David O'Hagan
Session 12: State Implementation Next Steps	Each state identifies and presents an overview of its own implementation plans or next steps.
Session 13: FHWA Implementation Next Steps	Esther Strawder

#### 3.3 SUMMARY OF KEY SESSIONS

In this section, we briefly summarize the presentation and discussions in several key sessions.

#### **Session 1: Global Perspective on HSM Implementation**

Washington State Department of Transportation

In his presentation, John Milton from WSDOT provided an overview of the implementation of HSM. He started with the definition of safety and explained its dilemma. Then he described the four components of HSM.

- Part A introduces HSM and briefly mentions human factors and fundamentals.
- Part B discusses road safety management process, which includes network screening, diagnosis and countermeasure selection, economic appraisal and prioritization, and safety effectiveness evaluation.
- Part C specifies predictive methods, including safety performance functions, crash
  modification factors, and calibration. Part C also provides applications, example
  problems and references. Relevant facilities in this part include rural two-lane, twoway roads, rural multilane highways, and urban and suburban arterials.
- Part D is about crash modification factors, which describe the safety effectiveness of countermeasures or treatments.

Milton then explained why and how to use the methodology specified in Part C. He said that crash fluctuations can be viewed in reliable way (i.e., reliable drive decisions are based on the expected average crash frequency). He stated that the ability to implement HSM lies in a state's capability for integrating data and tools, its project development process, its system management, and its policy to support top management. The HSM can be used to address several cross-cutting issues, such as policy development, legal and risk management, structure and business processes, and resources. Milton concluded his presentation by discussing several related issues such as training, funding, and marketing. In summary, he stated, the purpose of HSM is to reduce crash frequency and severity.

#### **Session 2: Approach to Institutionalization**

#### Utah Department of Transportation

In his talk, Robert Hull from UDOT shared his department's experience in institutionalizing HSM. The milestones included review of its Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) and design exception process, as well as develop training materials. One major challenge UDOT is facing in the course of HSM institutionalization is the decentralized work environment and shortage of design staff. To overcome those barriers, UDOT is looking to implement an extensive training process, enhance the existing processes, and help users understand the advantages of HSM. Finally, he emphasized that the best approach is to start from the strength of the organization (i.e., what they do best) and keep things simple without adding extra work.

#### Ohio Department of Transportation

Don Fisher from ODOT shared its plan and experience in implementing HSM. The department's short-term goal is to establish training for internal and external stakeholders, provide network screening for safety analysis, revise safety study guidelines, and modify safety application scoring. In the long-term, they intend to look into implementing HSM in a strategic highway safety plan, state long-range plan, and project development process. Some of the major challenges they encountered in the process included changes in safety policy, getting "buy-in" from key stakeholders, and implementing the HSM at district and local levels. In his opinion, support from the executive management toward safety program policy change is indispensable to overcome these barriers. Furthermore, stakeholders require training on the project development process, and training must be implemented at district and local levels.

#### Session 3: State Implementation Plans, Step by Step

#### Missouri Department of Transportation

Jon Nelson from MoDOT discussed that department's initial HSM implementation plan. The plan included obtaining support material, increasing internal understanding, establishing an implementation team, providing training, developing policy and guidelines, and providing technical support. Among the support materials MoDOT procured were an HSM PowerPoint presentation, copies of the HSM, and SafetyAnalyst. However, it is still being determined whether the IHSDM will be a useful tool or whether spreadsheets will be adequate. Although funding is the biggest challenge for most states in this area MoDOT fortunately has been able to buy an adequate number of manuals and a license for SafetyAnalyst. However, its greatest challenge lies in successfully integrating SafetyAnalyst.

Nelson stressed the importance of support of safety program policy change from senior management and pointed out that MoDOT has the privilege of an influential champion in

Leanna Depue (highway safety manager for MoDOT) to help stress to senior management the value of the manual in achieving MoDOT's goals for highway safety.

From their experience, putting together the implementation team was rather simple. However, optimizing the role of the team was more complicated. Full participation had not always been achieved in previous meetings/trainings. Also, the timing of events such as the release of the manual or employee training session limited the seamless function of the team. There is a current need for the team to reconvene and be updated on the next steps for proper implementation.

Overall, training had been successful and economically viable for MoDOT. FHWA provided two, 2-day workshops. Approximately 35 employees (mostly Traffic and Design) attended each class. The workshops have served as a cost-effective way to educate and expose employees from every district to the HSM. The workshops have focused primarily on Part C and have been very participatory—which are a benefit as well as an efficient use of attendee time. A couple of challenges experienced in the training included an insufficient "hands-on" use of the manual itself. Likewise, the Microsoft Excel spreadsheets, though distributed, were not reviewed during the class due to time restraints. The question that remains is how much training must be done going forward and how in-depth the training should be.

One of the lingering items yet to be addressed by MoDOT is the need for state-specific SPFs and calibration factors. The consensus is that such parameters will eventually be required to optimize the reliability of the manual in Missouri. Questions remain about who will develop such parameters and how much resources it will require to do so (how much will it cost? how long will it take to complete?). In the meantime, the question is to what extent should the manual be used with only national data available.

The greatest hurdle faced by MoDOT in terms of full implementation is getting local agencies and consultants to use the manual. Missouri has 114 counties as well as a major metropolis, St. Louis. The challenges are how to begin the training for so many agencies with extreme variation in engineering expertise, how local agencies will fund such resource, and where consultants enter the picture.

#### Alabama Department of Transportation and University of Alabama

Daniel Turner from the University of Alabama shared the experience in implementing HSM at ALDOT. The implementation program started with significant training and scoping projects to fit HSM procedures to Alabama and vice versa, in collaboration with the Strategic Highway Safety Program (SHSP), University of Alabama (UA), the Traffic Road Coordinating Committee (TRCC), and other stakeholders. The steps in project scoping include defining and understanding user needs, training in software such as SafetyAnalyst, IHSDM, data needs assessment, potential integration with the CARE software developed by University of Alabama, SPFs for Alabama, and other software support for HSM. Some of the questions they faced during the process included how to blend SafetyAnalyst with CARE and whether to calibrate HSM SPFs for three terrain types in Alabama or to prepare Alabama-specific SPFs. They are in the process of analyzing the software migration issue using gap analysis. For the SPF, ALDOT decided to test both approaches before making any decision. Turner also emphasized the importance of support by senior management, internal marketing, and extensive training for successful implementation of HSM.

#### **Session 4: Policy**

Illinois Department of Transportation

Dave Piper from IDOT discussed policy development for HSM. He mentioned that throughout this process the HSM has been under development as a backdrop to IDOT's efforts. SAFETY-LU and the HSIP program led to development of an SHSP to guide IDOT's efforts, a data-driven 5% report, and a benefit/cost tool to help document the decisions on project selection. IDOT and FHWA also jointly identified a need to do a better job at the project level in identifying when safety is a driving force for a project and to better document how such conclusions and recommended improvements are supported. One of the recommendations of this process review is an improved policy for safety analysis. Development of the policy has considered not only technical guidance from many national resources and developments, but also the feedback from users (the IDOT districts) who will be applying the policy.

The steps provided by IDOT in safety analysis policy under HSM include the safety management process cycle, network screening, diagnosis, countermeasures, economic appraisal, and project priorities. Since 2002, the Bureau of Engineering and Design manual has referenced an old FHWA document that provides foundations similar to those in the HSM. What the HSM really accomplishes is to bring many sources together and link them in a comprehensive fashion. Although the safety management process cycle is the safety cycle for a network, it brings diagnosis and countermeasure selection to the project level. Prioritization also has an element of project-level application.

IDOT used SPFs and an empirical Bayesian method to estimate potential for safety improvement (PSI). PSI is a weighted average of SPFs (what have been predicted for the site) and the observed crashes (what is observed at the site), which is more reliable than either one individually. To produce a 5% report, it is necessary to look at all locations. Plotting PSI in decreasing order shows how the worst performers are on the leg of the curve that differs remarkably from their peers. These are the locations of interest. IDOT also suggests using a threshold value, such that there is a tangible value to the PSI number that is worth investigation.

The network screening triggers more detailed safety analysis. HSM Chapter 3 provides the basic guidelines. It is provided by the Bureau of Safety Engineering (BSE), and users can find all the segments and intersections on their particular (state) project. IDOT recommends investigating sites that are in the 5% report, above a threshold PSI (10 rural; 25 urban), and above a "knee of curve" point determined graphically by BSE. IDOT also provided a simple critical PSI value for each peer group, considering those three criteria.

In summary, improved data, data tools, organized analysis procedures, and organizational backing have allowed development of an improved method for safety analysis.

#### Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development

Dan Magri from LA DOTD shared that department's experience of incorporating HSM methodologies into policy and their HSM implementation plan. The implementation plan includes the following:

- a scope and feasibility study
- an environmental study
- a safety assessment for pavement preservation projects
- an assessment of impact on new developments, permits, traffic signals, and median openings
- documentation of design exceptions, variances, and waivers

The challenges encountered in this process were lack of knowledge and training for metropolitan planning organizations (MPOs), local agencies and consultants. To overcome these barriers, LDOT is working in collaboration with the local technical assistance program (LTAP). They conducted FHWA resource center workshops and organized an NCHRP 17-38 workshop.

#### **Session 5: Resources and Funding**

#### Illinois Department of Transportation

PriscillaTobias from IDOT discussed resource and funding issues in implementing HSM. Implementation of HSM requires coordinating many factors, including training, data and analytical tools, and policy. Necessary resources come from internal and external parties, including resources such as staffing and expertise. These resources can be from in-house (central and district) and/or provided by consultants, universities, and FHWA. Funding is available from the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP), State Planning and Research (SP&R), the Safety Belt Bonus, the Traffic Records Coordinating Committee, and LTAP. Tobias shared IDOT's experience in collecting funding from different resources. She also presented an overview of the training classes and data and analytical tools used. Tobias also discussed the possibility of an HSM implementation pooled fund.

#### **Session 6: Training**

#### Michigan Tech Transportation Institute

Tim Colling from Michigan Tech Transportation Institute discussed training state and local agencies, MDOT engineers, and local agency engineers on HSM principles. Their initial plan included review of business and organizational needs and then providing internal training followed by training for multiple units. The groundwork of the process was laid out in 2008, which involved training more than 500 elected officials, building trust among practitioners and the technical group, raising awareness about the benefits and advantages of HSM, introducing safety workflow, and training on HSM tools and data. The subsequent plan for 2011 to 2012 is to conduct 9 or 10 elected training sessions and 12 to 14 8-hour HSM training sessions. The major challenges include identifying the policy changes needed for full implementation, convincing management that change is necessary, and providing user access to the HSM manual. In Colling's opinion, the barriers can be overcome by internal and external marketing, and with extensive training.

#### New Hampshire Department of Transportation

Stuart Thompson talked about the safety training experience at NHDOT. He stated that safety training using HSM was conducted at state and local levels, including regional planning commissions, towns, and cities. Training sessions for consultants were also organized. Training topics were New Approaches to Highway Safety Analysis, Application of Crash Reduction Factor, Road Safety Audits, and HSM Practitioners' Guide for Geometric Design.

#### Alabama Department of Transportation

Timothy Barnett from ALDOT shared their experience on conducting HSM training and workforce development. He emphasized the importance of HSM training for the state, counties, cities, planning agencies, consultants, and others involved in planning, designing, constructing, and managing highways and streets. To that end, ALDOT developed a robust training program to address not only the training about the HSM, but also the fundamental knowledge and skills

to properly apply various aspects of the HSM. To date, 243 individuals have received some level of HSM training from ALDOT, including personnel from ALDOT, counties and cities, FHWA, the military, and various other organizations, as well as consultants.

Training sessions involved an HSM overview and two-day workshops with national experts, which brought credibility and provided a real understanding of HSM concepts to the attendees. The goal of these workshops is to allow decision makers to see the value of the HSM and how it could possibly change their approaches to enable them to quantify safety values for decision making using advanced and more rigorous methodologies, to understand the importance of data requirements for successful implementation, and above all, to understand the benefits and advantages the HSM has to offer.

In addition to the HSM training, ALDOT developed a program on workforce development to increase and improve the knowledge and skills of personnel from ALDOT, counties and cities, consultants, and other stakeholders. The program includes workshops on four topics related to highway safety, which are in direct support of the HSM: Safety and Operational Effects of Geometric Design Features, Low-Cost Safety Improvements, Improving Safety of Horizontal Curves, and Road Safety Audits.

One of the barriers encountered was the need to develop the basic knowledge and skills of HSM workshop attendees. Some attendees did not have a broad-enough understanding of the engineering and operational aspects of highway design, maintenance, and operation to fully understand how best to apply the HSM concepts. Another challenge, especially when there is a broad range of specialties and experience in the audience is keeping everyone engaged. The one-day HSM overview course is insufficient to cover the material in enough detail to fully convey the benefits of the HSM. Participants can be easily overwhelmed with the complexity of the concepts and lose focus during the workshop. The two-day HSM is much more thorough, but it is still complex. The cost of the training is also an issue. In particular, ALDOT provides a copy of the HSM to individuals who attend the two-day workshop. The manuals cost almost \$300 each, which stresses the training budget.

To overcome these challenges, ALDOT is working with academia to develop more-specific subject-area training opportunities. Specifically, ALDOT prefers to provide a one- to two-day course for transportation planners, maintenance personnel, highway designers, traffic engineers, construction engineers, and similar personnel. Along with the possibility of providing more-specific training on the individual chapters of the HSM (such as human factors, network screening, diagnosis, economic appraisal, predictive methods for each road type, and CMFs) ALDOT is also continuing the Workforce Development Plan and is refining and amending the plan as needed. As part of the Workforce Development Plan, ALDOT is teaming up with FHWA and the Alabama LTAP at Auburn University to offer a program that addresses some the basic knowledge and skills necessary to apply the HSM concepts. They are working to identify methods to provide HSMs to county and city engineers and traffic engineers at no cost. Funding for past and future efforts have been through various mechanisms, including HSIP funds, outreach funds, and other state and federal funds.

#### **Session 7: National Roadmap for Implementation**

For an overview of this session, please see Appendix E (presentation by Esther Strawder, FHWA).

#### **Session 8: Data and Data Needs**

Washington State Department of Transportation

John Milton from WSDOT discussed HSM data and data needs. When implementing HSM, data are needed to determine needs, assess priorities, estimate crashes, and improve project selection. Data for HSM–Part B and C include site characteristics, traffic volume, and crash statistics. In WSDOT, all crash data and most geometric data are available. Ramp and intersection data are the biggest challenge, and driveways are not specifically identified by milepost. Among all types of data, volume is a key variable in all models.

When implementing SafetyAnalyst many types of data are needed, such as roadway segment data/traffic, ramp data/traffic, intersection data, etc. Substantial effort is required to prepare data for importing into SafetyAnalyst. Not all agencies have all data types required for full implementation of SafetyAnalyst. Therefore, implementing SafetyAnalyst requires user training and agency commitment. From the experience of WSDOT, data experts, IT support, and team communication are important in implementing SafetyAnalyst. Small datasets are preferable to start with, and data updates can be slow. The biggest data challenges were to determine minor road average daily traffic and to create unique IDs for ramp intersections. Scientific methods were used in network screening, systemic improvements, countermeasure evaluations, and economic analysis. State-specific SPFs were developed for predictive methods in HSM–Part C.

#### Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development

Terri Monaghan from LA DOTD shared that department's experience with HSM data. She said the data should be accurate, timely, and of good quality. At LA DOTD, basic roadway elements are in-place in the state system, although some additional roadway elements are still needed. However, there are very limited data available for local road systems, and even basic roadway elements are needed. Roadware is under contract to fill the data gaps, and the funding is from HSIP and TRCC. Regarding the crash data, a contract has been made with LSU using an FHWA CDIP grant. In the next steps, LA DOTD will proceed with HSM implementation. They will expand data access to MPOs, locals, and law enforcement. Link-predicted methodology in Part C will be applied, including SPFs and CMFs to Crash1 program analysis. They will also continue to improve crash data quality, accuracy, and timeliness, and develop Louisiana-specific SPFs.

#### Federal Highway Administration

Jeff Miller from FHWA discussed comprehensive approaches for enhancing road safety in terms of data collection and processing. He started with the current conditions of roadway data status and emphasized the importance of creating a consistent state of practice in transportation safety planning by developing MIRE. There are several alternatives to address GAO recommendations in Report GAO-09-35, including defining a minimum set of data for roadway elements and types. Better and more complete crash and roadway data collection can improve roadway safety. In this regard, many states joined the pilot Crash Data Improvement Program (CDIP) in 2009–2010 and are interested in the Roadway Data Improvement Program (RDIP), which is under development and will be piloted in 2011. He also talked about an

assessment of state roadway data collection and analysis processes that will be conducted during 2011–2012 to determine state and national capacity and gaps. Finally, cost-benefit analysis for data systems and processes investment and crash updates would help decision makers weigh the benefits of data investments against other investments.

#### Florida Department of Transportation

Santos shared FDOT's experience in updating site characteristics, traffic volume, and crash data. Most characteristics (i.e., area type, segment length) and traffic volume data are available or can be collected from Florida's Roadway Characteristics Inventory (RCI) database. while crash and location data are processed by DHSMV or stored in FDOT's Safety Office. The RCI database contains the most characteristic data and traffic volume data for the state highway system, which counts for 10% of all public roads. Santos also talked about the accomplishments of FDOT, including development of an all-roads base map (funded by a 408 grant), calibration of HSM equations, and development of SPFs. However, there are also some challenges in quality and availability of local road data, model minimum uniform crash criteria (MMUCC) compliance, and resources to process long-form (fatal and serious injury crashes) and short-form (property damage only) crash reports. To overcome the barriers, several approaches have been introduced, such as improving GIS line work, AADT, and roadway characteristic data for local roads; developing new MMUCC compliant crash report forms; and investigating technology enhancements and resource sharing between FDOT and DHSMV to improve processing efficiency. Santos also discussed future plans, such as use of Traffic Safety Web Portal, for data exchange.

#### Session 9: HSM Applications—Part B

Washington State Department of Transportation

John Milton from WSDOT shared information about HSM applications. He discussed introducing a road safety management process in Part B, which includes network screening, diagnosis and countermeasure selection, economic appraisal and prioritization, and safety effectiveness evaluation. He also discussed Part C methodology, which includes safety SPFs, crash modification factors, and calibration. He explained crash modification factors (CMFs), which describe the safety-effectiveness of countermeasures or treatments (Part D).

To maximize the potential returns on investment for each safety project, WSDOT needs to estimate future crash occurrence more precisely, using scientifically based estimates such as SPFs. Although WSDOT first developed SPFs in the mid 1990s, there was redevelopment for interstates and SPFs for severity on multilane divided roadways. He concluded with brief a discussion about priority programming, countermeasure selection, project schedules, and work plans.

#### Ohio Department of Transportation

Jonathan Hughes discussed ODOT's implementation of the SafetyAnalyst tool. SafetyAnalyst uses several data elements, including segment/intersection data, crash data since 2001, and road inventory data elements such as intersection control information, roadway location attributes, and cross-section elements. In addition, SafetyAnalyst has roadway/intersection traffic volume data and external sources for obtaining them. It also has additional crash data screening elements, which are customizable.

Hughes presented a comparison between existing ODOT high crash locations and SafetyAnalyst locations using maps of Ohio. The methodology was used to search for statewide peak segments that had 20 or more of the expected crashes, and those results were compared

to statewide segments generated from the sliding window that also had 20 or more of expected crashes and hot spots. However, it turned out that complementary safety study tools are still needed.

His presentation ended with a discussion of the benefits of SafetyAnalyst. He stated that SafetyAnalyst improved ODOT's data collection processes and helped with needs assessment. It also helped ODOT prioritize elements for asset management and road inventory and identify site subtypes and flag locations where errors existed or data were missing. Finally, SafetyAnalyst gave districts the ability to run specialized and localized network screenings and site priority lists on an ad hoc basis.

#### **Session 10: SPF Development and Calibration**

Michigan Department of Transportation

Dale R. Lighthizer discussed MDOT's efforts with SafetyAnalyst/HSM calibration. MDOT implemented SafetyAnalyst for the Michigan trunk line system and extracted calibration data from the SafetyAnalyst data management tool. Also, comparisons by site subtype calibration factors were made. In developing local SPFs, there were several challenges, such as lack of accurate cross volume and ramp volume data.

Lighthizer emphasized the necessity of calibration in HSM crash distributions. He provided several example tables such as default crash distributions used in Part C predictive models. To accomplish this goal, crash data were extracted from the SafetyAnalyst database for homogeneous segments/intersection site subtypes, and Michigan distributions were compiled to match HSM tables using SPSS. Preliminary results showed that Michigan has very high percentage of animal crashes compared to default states and that additional data integrity checks are needed.

In this analysis, several challenges could be found. First, file size and data formatting led to some issues. Also, IT resources as well as critical data for SafetyAnalyst/HSM were not sufficient. Hence, MDOT concluded that they need to develop Michigan-based SPFs and calibrate crash distributions. Also, these new distributions will be used in SafetyAnalyst and the deployment of the HSM spreadsheets. Finally, they might need to remove animal crashes from SafetyAnalyst data. For the next steps, they plan to complete crash distribution analysis for all subtypes and monitor their traffic volume collection program to obtain necessary ADT information to support SPF development.

#### Virginia Department of Transportation

Stephen Read talked about VDOT's experience with highway safety improvement programs and SPF modeling. He mentioned their past initiatives included SafetyAnalyst preparation. Currently they are working on additional SafetyAnalyst roadway types. In future efforts they will focus on HSM and SafetyAnalyst deployment. He also discussed SHSP and action planning by the percentages of deaths, injury crashes by system, and lane mileage.

As their planning-level SPFs, a key focus of the VDOT strategic highway safety plan is the treatment of corridors with high numbers of crashes. Virginia is developing a new approach that applies planning-level SPFs on long sections of road. Their project goals include developing SPFs to identify 2+ mile-long sections of road for more detailed analysis and helping to identify longer sections where a safety assessment or coordinated set of improvements might be beneficial. In their approach, they use data from 2003 to 2007 on Virginia's primary system, and SPFs aggregate intersections and segments together. They focus on 7339 miles of road and almost 160,000 total crashes. Different models for distinct regions of the state (i.e., DC suburbs, western mountains, and central/eastern urbanized area) are studied. Considering geometric

categories, they study rural two-lane planning SPFs, intersection SPF development, and two-lane highway SPF models. Then they evaluate the quality of planning-level SPFs in SafetyAnalyst and use statewide planning model safety measures. Finally, they evaluate freeway models. For present SPF modeling, they are currently developing models for multilane arterials and freeway segments. Their preliminary findings led to the realization that one regional multilane model does not follow the normal form. Furthermore, methods to define freeway segments range from simple to HCM definition.

For SPF application, they are currently reloading VDOT district data into SafetyAnalyst to investigate using Virginia SPFs. They are going to use SafetyAnalyst for FY13 HSIP project planning. VDOT is changing road network GIS models to consider safety models as well. For HSM applications, they plan to use HSM–Part C for project analysis to be able to compare national to Virginia values and to show value added to management. On the other hand, they use rural multilane SPF data sets to develop crash distribution values, calibration factors, and methods. Finally, they apply their findings to study a pilot corridor project.

#### Session 11: HSM Applications-Part C

Maine Department of Transportation

Darryl Belz shared MaineDOT's experience with HSM applications in safety design. He emphasized the significance of HSM in providing information and tools to facilitate explicit safety considerations for planning, design, operations, and maintenance. He mentioned that MaineDOT assists in review and documentation of design exceptions, variances, and waivers. He claimed that the common reasons for considering exceptions are their impacts to the natural environment, social or right-of-way impacts, preservation of historic or cultural resources, sensitivity to context or accommodating community values, and the construction or right-of-way costs. He introduced Maine's design exception process and mentioned that the review team is made up of representatives from core members from highway, traffic engineering, bridge, multimodal, and safety, as well as additional members from maintenance, planning, FHWA, and environmental sectors.

Basic analysis steps for applying the predictive method process include determining data needs, dividing locations into homogeneous segments or intersections, identifying the appropriate SPF, applying CMFs to calculated SPF values, and applying a local calibration factor. The background knowledge and data requirements include SPF for specific facility type, AADT, length, site characteristics to adjust with CMFs (roadway and intersection), local calibration factors, and historical crash data. As their data methodology, MaineDOT considers as-builts, crash analysis system, route log mile filter, MaineDOT's digital video log (VisiWeb), Automatic Road Analyzer (ARAN), Google Earth, and Bing maps. They use HSM spreadsheets containing a roadway segment safety prediction worksheet, which includes predicted total crashes per year compared with actual crashes for tangent sections applying accident modification factors (AMFs). They predict safety for an entire rural roadway section, combining predicted roadway segment and intersection-related crashes to obtain the total predicted crashes for the entire segment.

Challenges that MaineDOT has encountered include lack of resources and knowledge, SPF state-specific development, SPF calibration to local conditions, and institution of a paradigm shift. MaineDOT's next steps in safety applications are executive acceptance, HSM training, examining Maine's strategic highway safety plan to evaluate program initiatives in light of HSM, transitioning from descriptive analyses to quantitative predictive analyses, and working collaboratively with New Hampshire and Vermont to develop SPFs, as they have similar highway characteristics.

#### Florida Department of Transportation

David O'Hagan shared FDOT's experience with the application of HSM. They use AASHTO Green Book and Florida Plans Preparation Manual (PPM) criteria in safety applications. For FLDOT's cost analysis, they consider pre-construction, right-of-way, construction, and maintenance. Maintenance and user cost analyses are performed by considering insignificant differential and safety, respectively. Their main objective is to reduce the cost of FDOT projects without sacrificing safety and operational/functional characteristics. They can optionally use the variations process to justify reduced criteria (maintain status quo), eliminate the need for some variation submittals (revise PPM criteria), and include a safety analysis to quantify impacts of reduced criteria (revise variation requirements). On the other hand, there is a requirement for a safety analysis with design variations for all new and reconstruction projects when reductions in critical design elements are being considered. To justify that the variation process is working well, they need to quantify safety impacts of cross-section decisions, consistent with including non-DOT costs (user costs in pavement-type selection) in their decisions.

O'Hagan then introduced some projects performed under the supervision of FDOT, considering safety applications. A 2007 study by the roadway design office considered the construction cost differences, which ranged from 1% to about 20% in interstate widening to new overpass projects, respectively. A 2008 study by the roadway design office included right-of-way and maintenance costs with construction costs. They have also performed studies on segments of SR 43, SR 50, and SR 574. On SR 43, construction, right-of-way, and DOT costs were greater for PPM design rather than as-designed. However, crashes in 20 years were less, and the DOT and user costs in 20 years were greater. The same trends were found for SR 50. In the SR 574 study, they used the accident modification factors worksheet to consider on-street parking, roadside fixed objects, median width, lighting, auto speed enforcement, and also combined AMF.

#### 3.4 RESOURCES

Many participating lead states have stated the need to share information. All current resources from this HSM workshop are publicly available on the P2P website, hosted by the Illinois Center for Transportation at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (<a href="http://ict.illinois.edu/conferences/HSMWorkshop2010">http://ict.illinois.edu/conferences/HSMWorkshop2010</a>).

In the future, this information might also be placed on another site of the HSM implementation (such as the NCHRP 17-50, in a protected location on the AASHTO Safety Portal, or in a protected location at the highwaysafetymanual.org site. The information to be shared includes the following:

- Training
- Policy
- SPF Clearinghouse (new SPFs)
- Tools—best practices and lessons learned
- Best practice guide, case studies

#### CHAPTER 4 STATES' NEXT-STEP IMPLEMENTATION PLANS

In Session 12, all participating lead states were requested to report on their next-step plans for HSM implementation. Most of the reported action items can be categorized as follows:

- Planning and Policy
- Training
- Data and SPF Calibration.

Table 2 summarizes the planned action items by each state.

Table 2. States' Next Step Implementation Plans

State	Planning and Policy	Training	Data and SPF Calibration
Utah	<ul> <li>Need a formal team</li> <li>Implement HSM program in the state level</li> <li>Look at vendors and products</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Focus on network training process</li> <li>Provide training for engineers, consultants and community</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Build a complete electronic crash data submittal</li> <li>Geospatially locate all crashes</li> <li>Implement HSM without jumping into the whole data collecting issue</li> </ul>
California	<ul> <li>Examine existing system of crash and compare it with available safety tools</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Look at alternatives for training</li> <li>Provide training for districts, designers, maintenance people about safety manual and tools</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Initiate a research effort to look at safety analysis relative to existing method of evaluating collision concentrations</li> </ul>
Ohio	<ul> <li>Formalize one-page outline of the implementation plan</li> <li>Learn from other states</li> <li>Design exception process and alternative analysis</li> <li>Use value engineering</li> <li>Setup an implementation team</li> <li>Expand SA to local systems</li> </ul>		
Missouri	<ul> <li>Formalize an information team</li> <li>Review the current HSIP policy</li> <li>Design exceptions</li> <li>Work on the existing safety program guidelines</li> <li>Develop a trial policy and have it be reviewed by engineers</li> </ul>		<ul> <li>Do calibration at county level</li> <li>Develop SPF</li> <li>Calibrate the SPF to finalize SA</li> <li>Look at fatal and severe injury crashes in local system</li> </ul> (table continues next page)

State	Planning and Policy	Training	Data and SPF Calibration
Alabama	<ul> <li>Have one plan for DOT, one for cities, and the others for counties and towns</li> <li>Look for RFRP program to better understand our sections</li> <li>Simulate state goals</li> <li>Disseminate information and material via webpage</li> <li>Keep stakeholders engaged and informed</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Continue training program at county level</li> <li>Two-day courses; the primary course is on design</li> <li>Offer courses within the DOT and in the counties</li> <li>Offer other large two-day courses</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Cooperate with FHWA to investigate data availabilities</li> <li>Collect the data information</li> </ul>
Louisiana	<ul> <li>Have implementation steps and plan by the middle of next January</li> <li>Have implementation committee review and incorporate the IHDSM policies, safety procedures, projects delivery manual and EBS standard</li> <li>Incorporate safety into the value engineering process</li> <li>Have all people work together</li> <li>Develop communications and outreaching marketing plan, internal and external for partners</li> <li>Work on spot replacement guideline</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Two training courses and one more left for DOT employees</li> <li>Train the NPOs, the locals (districts) and consultants, and internally for junior staff</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Continue data construction and collection</li> <li>Collect data in the next one to eight years</li> <li>Address technical issues</li> <li>Use both short-term and long-term approaches</li> </ul>
Michigan	<ul> <li>Start doing marketing</li> <li>Let people know HSM is not something to be afraid of</li> <li>Let people know HSM does relate to the local agencies</li> <li>Look for areas where we can integrate with other processes</li> <li>Solve local agency funding issues</li> <li>Give local agency some benefit or encouragement for implementing HSM</li> </ul>	2011 is going to be the training phase	
LTAP Louisiana	<ul> <li>Work on marketing, awareness, and outreach</li> <li>Communicate with local people, municipal, county, associations</li> <li>Have people participate in each other's activities such as SPF summit</li> <li>Work with FHWA for road and local safety</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Develop own staff for training</li> <li>Work with FHWA Safety Resource Team to develop a course on HSM</li> <li>Work with FHWA to enhance staff training</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Have data source available for getting access to</li> <li>Integrate data into the local system</li> </ul> (table continues next page)

State	Planning and Policy	Training	Data and SPF Calibration
	Get local participation		
New Hampshire	<ul> <li>Develop a policy guide regarding safety and implementing HCM</li> <li>Purchase more HSM and IHSDM</li> <li>Improve internal understanding</li> <li>Establish an implementation team to present plans</li> <li>Get safety process into studies</li> <li>Work with other states such as Maine and Vermont</li> </ul>	Provide training via resource center to learn HSM and IHSDM	Have recent capital investment in data collection and processing
Washington			Work efficiently on safety project in light of limited data source  I source
Florida	<ul> <li>Work with locals and ELTAB</li> <li>Develop lots of sample projects with districts</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Have a regional workshop</li><li>The HSM training is coming up in December</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Have some research and a lot of discussion about SPFs and calibration</li> <li>Have two ongoing research projects</li> </ul>
Virginia	<ul> <li>Start with small implementation plan</li> <li>Focus first on Part C</li> <li>Use consultants to help develop the implementation plan</li> <li>Prepare materials and information to share with different division and partners</li> <li>Develop a plan that is not only internal but external</li> <li>Work with universities</li> <li>Work on marketing and materials</li> <li>Put information on website to</li> </ul>	Provide training activities for different user groups	Have own calibration
	brand and market HSM for		(table continues next page)

State	Planning and Policy	Training	Data and SPF Calibration
Maine	agencies  Find high-level people for	■ Like the idea of LTAP	■ Develop SPF
iviairie	highway safety office Have an implementation team to develop implementation plan and policy Use the existing marketing team Have the idea of MPOs and have transportation conference every year Bring up the universities Work with New Hampshire Work on design exception	<ul> <li>Need both internal and external training</li> <li>Need more guideline from FHWA</li> </ul>	- Develop of I
Illinois	<ul> <li>Develop a formal plan and go through an agenda</li> <li>Identify key points, resources needed, and next steps</li> <li>Develop a comprehensive action plan for the next months and years</li> <li>Update safety plan within the next year</li> <li>Design exception</li> <li>Look at all multiple year projects and see if PSI and SPF values can be used to evaluate the impacts of these projects and put them into the IRIS system</li> <li>Start institutionalizing</li> <li>Continue to seek resource and funding</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Continue training on HSM (e.g., one-day SPF workshop, hands-on network screening training)</li> <li>Look forward to course development help from FHWA for us to engage Illinois planners and programmers</li> <li>Have a few classes about the newly purchased safety analysis for the SPF development</li> <li>Give districts some training on exceptions</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Communicate better within and outside of organization to find out what the available data are and how data quality can be improved</li> <li>Work with FHWA and other peer states to advance analytical tools and address research needs</li> <li>Make sure every one knows what SPFs are</li> </ul>

#### CHAPTER 5 SURVEY FEEDBACK

At the end of the workshop, the attendees were requested to fill out a one-page, double-sided survey, which provided valuable feedback to the organizing committee. A copy of the survey is available in Appendix F. A total of 62 responses were collected.

The attendees were asked about their satisfaction with a few key aspects of the workshop. As shown in Table 3, most attendees (85%) said that they were very satisfied or satisfied with all aspects of the workshop, including the registration process, materials/handouts, speakers/presenters, and venue/ facility.

	Very	Somewhat		Somewhat	Very	
Overall Satisfaction	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Total
Registration Process	41	15	5	1		62
Materials/Handouts	36	18	8			62
Speakers/Presenters	42	18	2			62
Venue/Facility	24	15	19	2	1	61

Table 3. Attendees' Overall Satisfaction

There was a question about how the attendees would like the workshop to improve. Only a total of 25 meaningful responses were provided. About 10 attendees suggested improving the venue facility (e.g., providing more room for networking, improve the video and audio quality). A few attendees suggested more efficient reimbursement or including more case studies in the workshop, etc. Some attendees suggested making handout materials more reader-friendly (e.g., enlarging the font size of printed slides). These comments will be carefully considered when we plan for future workshops.

A total of 59 attendees responded to Question 2: "What did you like most about the workshop and what is your most important gain?" Many attendees responded that they considered more than one aspect of the workshop beneficial. The answers are summarized in Table 4. More than half of the attendees stated that they benefited from learning about peer states' experiences with HSM. In addition, many attendees felt that the networking opportunity, as well as the information about IHDSM, SafetyAnalyst, and their integration with design and planning process was important. Some attendees also stated that they benefited from basic information and resources for HSM implementations.

Well-organized presentations and discussions	7	(12%)
Networking opportunity with peers	14	(24%)
Information (basic introduction, resources) on HSM	11	(18%)
Peer states' experience and plan	36	(61%)
Examples and applications	16	(27%)

The attendees were asked, "Do you plan to attend the workshop again in the near future (e.g., next year)?" An absolute majority of the attendees stated that they would be planning to come next year, as shown in Table 5. During the course of the conference, we also heard from many attendees that they were interested in bringing more participants from their states to benefit from the (next) workshop.

Table 5 Attendees' Plan to Attend Next Year

Yes	56
No	4
Undecided (or no response)	2

Table 6 is a summary of 52 responses to Question 3 on the kinds of sessions to be included in future workshops. Training and hands-on exercises and positive evaluation of safety treatments are the two subjects most frequently recommended by attendees. Other major suggestions focus on in-person training on implementation and use of HSM.

Table 6. Attendees' Preference for Sessions to Be Included Next Year

Examples of technical application/implementation	34
Update on statistical tools and data	13
Training and tutorial	12
SPF development	10
Others (e.g., update on marketing to management)	4

The last question in the survey asked attendees what types of help they would anticipate being needed for HSM implementation in the coming year. A total of 35 attendees responded to this question. There are a variety of suggestions and ideas about resources and support needs. It seems that there is a need to work in greater depth on all topics covered in the workshop. In particular, many attendees requested for more information on evaluation of treatments and projects. Regarding training, the attendees are very interested in learning more on how to market the HSM to decision-makers and politicians. It seems that for next P2P lead state or support events, in order to highest ranked ideas, the following are desirable:

- 1. Data and Data Needs with tools demonstrations for supporting applications in Part C and B; this part should include SPF development and calibration since they are intrinsically connected, and demos of good/effective ways to collect field data;
- 2. State Implementation Plans (e.g., in-depth and detailed best practices, or lessons learned); these should include Policy and Institutionalization since they are intrinsically connected.

Many attendees mentioned the need for training, which should be pursued as a national effort in terms of creating a pool of resources such as tutorials, applications, guidance for marketing market HSM to decision makers, executive training, and train the trainer. The hope is that various state agencies can access the materials and adapt them as needed.

Overall, the survey feedback demonstrates that the 2010 HSM workshop very successfully achieved its objectives. The attendees benefited significantly from this event, and they look forward to attending future workshops so that they can benefit from the momentum and engage in activities to continue the advancement in the explicit quantification of safety.

In addition, the planning committee and others met the day after the workshop to discuss workshop feedback and next steps for ongoing and upcoming HSM implementation support efforts.

#### CHAPTER 6 NEXT STEPS

The participants requested that efforts be made to keep the momentum going by means of several initiatives:

- 1. Assistance with the implementation processes: a quick reference guide on what to do, by whom, why.
- 2. Assistance in setting avenues of communication such as
  - Regional meetings
  - Conference calls
  - Monthly web-meetings: Have speakers for the calls, coordinate discussion in advance, lead states talk among themselves
- 3. Development of performance indicators for tracking progress and assessing impacts
- 4. Platform to post information:
  - User discussion forum
  - AASHTO web site
  - Implementation plans and other resources

#### 6.1 COORDINATION WITH NCHRP 17-50 AND FHWA ROADMAP

The NCHRP 17-50 will commence soon and will form the continuation of the work started by this P2P workshop. It will also liaise closely with the FHWA Roadmap, as they will complement the global effort. The following points summarize the activities that we may consider for future:

- FHWA will include AASHTO on all initiatives related to the HSM so that the integration with the other efforts is facilitated via this link.
- FHWA will develop a clear guidance (easy user guide) to the states for implementation of the HSM and its institutionalization, with particular focus on anticipated performance measures and other future expectations from the states; these are key to assisting the states in their ranking of tasks and in their data collection for measuring their progress.
- FHWA will disseminate the Roadmap to states to review and provide feedback on challenges and solutions prior to conclusion.
- Implementation is at its very early stage in the lead states.
- Use of <u>www.highwaysafetymanual.org</u> as the point of contact and link with other sites.
- FHWA, AASHTO, NCHRP 17-50, and others will involve LTAP representation at all levels:
  - o To provide feedback on where this needs to go in the future
  - To figure out how to sell to the locals
  - To identify how it integrates in the local process (large cities are similar to states; the smaller ones need a different approach)

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Darryl is the Safety and Scoping Manager in the Maine Department of Transportation Bureau of Transportation Systems Planning. Throughout his 19 year tenure at MaineDOT,



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# Tim Colling, PhD., P.E.

Dr. Colling is the Director of the Center for Technology and Training and is a Senior Research Engineer at the Michigan Tech Transportation Institute (MTTI) at Michigan Tech University. Dr. Colling is primarily involved in outreach and technical support to transportation agencies within the State of Michigan, as well as performing research activities in the field of pavement management and traffic safety engineering.

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Dr. Colling developed and presented training materials for an 8 hour professional development class focusing on traffic safety at intersections for non-engineers. The development of this project was funded by the FHWA Office of Safety and the Michigan Office of Highway Safety Programs. The completed workshop materials were distributed to all 51 of the Local Technical Assistance Programs and the 7 Tribal Technical Assistance Programs throughout the United States. To date his program has been presented 30 times in Michigan and has had an over attendance of over 500 people.

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- Tort Reduction
- Strategic Highway Safety Plan

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John currently serves as the Director of Enterprise Risk Management for the Washington Department of Transportation. He is a licensed engineer with over 20 years of experience in transportation and traffic engineering. He has held a number of engineering positions in WSDOT's design, traffic and planning sections. John holds a B.S. in Civil Engineering and a Masters in Engineering Management from St. Martin's College; he also holds a M.S. and Ph.D. in Civil Engineering from the University of Washington. His research has focused on econometric and statistical modeling of the frequency and severity of collisions. John has served on numerous National Academy of Engineering research panels with an emphasis on highway safety and data analysis and serves on the Task Force for the Development of the Highway Safety Manual (ANB25T), Safety Data, Analysis and Evaluation (ANB20) and Statistical Methods Committee (ABJ80). He is the Chair of the Transportation Research Board Task Force for the Development of a Highway Safety Manual.

# Terri Monaghan, P.E.

Terri Monaghan, P.E. has been with the LA DOTD since 1992 and has 18 years experience in the transportation field. She has worked in the DOTD Highway Safety Office for the past seven years. Her current areas of oversight/responsibility include the Strategic Highway Safety Plan, Safe Routes to School Program, Local Road Safety Program, Fatality Analysis Reporting System (FARS), statewide highway safety studies, and traffic records. Prior to working in the DOTD Highway Safety Office, she worked in various offices across the Department including Environmental, Hydraulics, Construction, and District Design. Terri earned her Civil Engineering degree from Mississippi State University in 1992.

# Organizations:

- AASHTO Subcommittee on Safety Management
- Louisiana Traffic Records Coordinating Committee

# Jon Nelson, P.E.

Jon is a Senior Traffic Studies Specialist for the Missouri Department of Transportation. He has been employed with MoDOT since 2003 when he started his career as a Materials Inspector. Jon currently works in the Central Office Traffic Division where his responsibilities include researching and implementing effective engineering solutions to help reduce fatalities and severe injuries on Missouri roadways. In addition, he serves as a liaison to district staff on traffic safety and has been tasked with implementing the Highway Safety



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Manual within MoDOT. Jon received his bachelor's degree in civil engineering from the University of Missouri and is licensed as a professional engineer.

# David C. O'Hagan, P.E.

David O'Hagan, serves as the State Roadway Design Engineer for the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT). The FDOT selected him for this position in 2004 after he served as an Assistant State Structures Engineer for 2 years. Prior to that appointment, David worked as a consulting bridge engineer for 25 years where he worked on many notable bridges including the Sunshine Skyway Bridge in Tampa.

In his current role, David oversees creation, implementation and maintenance of all the policies, standards and rules related to road, drainage and pavement designs. Included in these duties is the approval of all Design Exceptions to AASHTO's highway design policies. He also serves as the FDOT's Roadway Departures Emphasis Area Champion on its Strategic Highway Safety Plan. Short-term safety policy goals that David wants to achieve include the following:

- Increased consideration of roundabouts in intersection design and reconstruction.
- Implementation of the pavement safety edge on local roads.
- Implementation of the Highway Safety Manual in our design processes.

# Dave Piper, P.E.

Dave Piper is the Safety Design Engineer in the IDOT Bureau of Safety Engineering. He works with IDOT Districts and others to assist in developing Highway Safety Engineering Program (HSIP) from screening to coordination of projects, and other responses to safety concerns. Dave has responsibilities for RSAs and roadside safety hardware, such as guardrail, cable median barrier, and crash cushions approved for use by the Department. In 1980 Dave graduated the University of Illinois with a BS degree in Civil Engineering. As a result of coming in through the cooperative program between the University of Illinois and Illinois College, he also received a concurrent BA degree in Mathematics from Illinois College. Dave has worked continuously with IDOT since his graduation, first in District 5, Paris for almost 22 years in Construction, Land Acquisition and Design in various responsibilities. In 2002 he accepted a position in the IDOT Headquarters working in the Highway Policy section in Design and Environment. He worked there with pavement design and roadside safety issues. When the Bureau of Safety Engineering was founded in 2005 he



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came along to work in his current position. Much is happening in the developing field of safety engineering and Dave hopes to be involved in bringing better tools and processes to improve safety for those using our roadways, and to make the work easier and more productive for planners and designers.

# Stephen W. Read, P.E. (VA), P. Eng. (ON, CANADA)

Highway Safety Improvement Programs Manager VDOT – Traffic Engineering Division

### Degrees:

B. Sc. Civil Eng. (Univ. of New Brunswick, CAN)

M.A. Sc. Civil Eng. (Univ. of Waterloo, CAN)

# Experience:

23 years of traffic engineering and multi-modal transportation planning projects, research and management. Project consulting and research work in London, UK; Toronto and Ottawa, ON; and Alexandria, VA. VDOT experience conducting and managing multi-modal corridor environmental, planning, operational, safety studies and research; design project travel forecasting and traffic operations and safety assessments; regional long-range plan development and documentation. Presently leads VDOT's highway, bicycle and pedestrian, and rail-grade crossing crash data analysis and safety improvement programs. Other info/activities:

Travel, reading, hiking, biking, hockey, lacrosse, tennis

# Joseph (Joe) Santos, PE

Joe currently is the Transportation Safety Engineer for the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT). He has been with FDOT for 18 years and has served as the Transportation Safety Engineer for 3 years. His background in FDOT has included 5 years in Construction, 8 years in Planning, and 2 years in Project Management. He has also served 27 years in the United States Navy Civil Engineering Corp, Reserve, as a Civil Engineer. He has a B.S. in civil engineering from Florida State University and is a registered Professional Engineer in Florida.

# Esther Strawder

I have been with FHWA, for 19 years and am currently a safety specialist in the HQ Office of Safety for the past 3 years on the Analyst and Evaluation team working primarily on the



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focused approach to safety and safety analysis tools. Before joining the Office of Safety, I was a Highway Safety Engineer in the Maryland Division as well as Quality Coordinator. My career with FHWA has taken me to North Carolina, Alaska, Texas, various Headquarters positions in Policy, Construction Management, and Finance. I received a Bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering from Morgan State University in 1990.

### Stuart Thompson, P.E.

Stuart currently serves as the Highway Safety Engineer for the New Hampshire Department of Transportation. He is a licensed engineer with over 30 years of experience in the transportation industry. He has work for various transportation related organizations including Union Pacific Railroad, Utah Local Technical Assistance Program and the Central Massachusetts Regional Planning Commission. Stuart holds a B.S. in Civil Engineering, a Masters in Civil Engineering and a Masters in Business Administration from Utah State University. Stuart is a committee member of the Committee on Roadside Safety Design (AFB20), the Committee on Maintenance and Operations Personnel (AHD15), and serves as the Chair of the Committee of Signing and Marking Materials (AHD55). He also serves on the Task Force for the AASHTOWare product, SafetyAnalyst.

# Priscilla A. Tobias, P.E.

Priscilla Tobias is a graduate of Virginia Tech, a licensed Professional Engineer for the State of Illinois and the State Safety Engineer for the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT). She has been with IDOT for 19 year and has a broad range of experience in the areas of planning, design, policy development and implementation, and safety which has allowed her to implement safety initiatives that are practical yet effective at saving lives within Illinois and nationally. Based on her experience and initiative, she was appointed in 2004 to lead IDOT's newly created Bureau of Safety Engineering. Since that time she has been instrumental in partnering with safety stakeholders to develop and implement several new safety initiatives thus allowing Illinois to reduce traffic related fatalities to the lowest numbers since 1921. These initiatives include coordinating efforts to develop and implement the Illinois Strategic Highway Safety Plan, incorporating safety into the overall planning and programming process, integrating the 4E (Engineering, Enforcement, Education, and EMS) approach into the crash analysis and safety strategy implementation, and improving safety programs for all Illinois roadways, including the local roadways. She



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has been responsible for developing and implementing a safety research program with the Illinois Center for Transportation which addresses both behavioral and infrastructure safety needs and has had key projects that have an impact at the state and national level in influencing safety investment decision making. Ms. Tobias represents Illinois and the AASHTO Region III on the AASHTO Standing Committee for Highway Traffic Safety and the AASHTO Subcommittee on Safety Management, serving as the Chair for Task Group on Technical Safety Publication Oversight and Coordination which oversees the AASHTO HSM. Ms. Tobias also serves as the Chair for the NCHRP Project 17-48 - Highway Research Infrastructure and Operations Research Needs.

Her efforts to implement statewide safety programs helped Illinois receive the 2007 and 2010 AASHTO Safety Leadership Award. Ms. Tobias received the 2009 American Traffic Safety Services Association National Safety Award and the 2010 WTS Greater Chicago Woman of the Year Award for outstanding service and dedication to traffic safety.

# Daniel S. Turner, PhD, PE,

Dan's specialty areas are teaching, research and service in the fields of traffic operations and safety; highway design; and transportation management, finance and policy. He has conducted or managed 125 research projects for over \$30 million; has over 300 publications; has delivered over 500 presentations at technical and professional meetings, and has written/taught 75 short courses.

Dr. Turner is well known for vision and leadership. He is a past President of the American Society of Civil Engineer sand the Council of University Transportation Centers. He has held leadership positions in five national organizations, including service on the board of direction or member of the Executive Committee of the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology and the American Association of Engineering Societies. Within TRB he has chaired committees and NCHRP panels, the Operations Section and Operations & Preservations Group, and is a member of the Technical Activities Council. Among his honors are citations in Who's Who in Engineering, Who's Who in Education, and 20 similar publications. He is a national Honor Member of Chi Epsilon Civil Engineering Honor Society. At the University of Alabama, he has been selected as the outstanding teacher in the College of Engineering and the Outstanding Faculty Member on the University campus.

# APPENDIX C LIST OF ACRONYMS

**AADT**—Annual Average Daily Traffic

**CHSIM** —Comprehensive Highway Safety Improvement Model

**CRF**—Crash Reduction Factor

**DHV**—Design Hourly Volume (traffic)

**EA**—Environmental Assessment

**EB**—Empirical Bayes(ian)

**EIS**—Environmental Impact Study/Statement

**HSM** —Highway Safety Manual

IHSDM—Interactive Highway Safety Design Model

**LOSS**—Levels of Service for Safety

NEPA—1969 National Environmental Policy Act

PHF—Peak Hour Factor

RTM—Regression to the Mean

**SPF**—Safety Performance Function

# APPENDIX D COMMUNICATIONS

# **D.1. INITIAL STATE CONTACT**

Your state has expressed interest in participating as a lead state for the NCHRP HSM Lead State Project.

Illinois will be hosting a HSM Lead State Peer-to-Peer Workshop November 17-18, 2010 in Schaumburg, Illinois (west suburb of Chicago). The intent is to share and discuss state's efforts, experiences, challenges and possible solutions, and best practices with implementing the HSM.

We would like your state to respond to the questionnaire below (reply to sender and fill in the blanks, please) so that we can get a better idea of where states are at in regards to implementation of the HSM. Let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you,

Priscilla Tobias

- 1. Has your agency expressed interest in implementing the HSM?
- 2. Has your agency assigned a lead staff member or team to assist in the implementation of the HSM?
- 3. Has your agency supported staff to assist with the development or implementation of the HSM on the national level?
- 4. Has your agency purchased copies of the HSM for staff?
- 5. Has your agency provided or have funds dedicated to implement a plan to provide staff with HSM training (at least 1 day training, beyond webinars)?
- 6. Has your agency calibrated or have funds dedicated to calibrate the HSM Safety Performance Functions (SPFs) for use in your state or has your agency developed or have funds to develop state specific SPFs in the near future?
- 7. Has your agency begun or plan on implementing SafetyAnalyst?
- 8. Has your agency supported local and MPOs in safety analysis techniques?
- 9. Does your agency have a plan for supporting local agencies in the implementation of the HSM?
- 10. Will your agency support other non-lead state DOTs in the implementation of the HSM?

# D.2. NOTIFICATION (1)

Dear Lead State.

Thank you for your interest in participating in Illinois' hosted Highway Safety Manual Lead State Peer to Peer Workshop (HSM-LSP2P) on November 17-18, 2010 in Schaumburg, Illinois. The intent of the HSM-LSP2P is to bring states together that have experience in implementing the AASHTO HSM (2010) in their agencies to discuss their successes, challenges and solutions, lessons learned, relevant tools, etc. in order to support the continued shift to and application of the science of safety. States that participate in the HSM-LSP2P will clearly demonstrate their commitment to leadership in the implementation of the HSM, and their willingness to support other agencies such as local ones and other states.

Illinois had not anticipated the numerous responses we received and were faced with the reality that the budget available for this initiative would not enable us to invite all states. Thus, we worked diligently to establish two working groups. For this purpose, the HSM-LSP2P committee has reviewed each of the questionnaire responses and based on HSM implementation experience, commitment to implementation at the state and local level, and geographic representation assigned states in two groups: 1. HSM Lead States or 2. HSM Support States. The HSM Lead States will be invited to the HSM-LSP2P workshop to share information and will be expected to partner with HSM Support States (and others still in the infancy of the implementation of the HSM) to further the HSM implementation within their agencies. HSM Support States will be asked to participate in future initiatives. This workshop will help support FHWA's efforts with their HSM Implementation Plan project and the NCHRP HSM Lead State Project.

We are pleased to invite XXXX to be an HSM Lead State in the implementation process of the HSM. Additional information regarding meeting details, agenda, and logistics will follow. We look forward to working with you on November 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> in Schaumburg, Illinois.

Sincerely,

Priscilla Tobias

# D.3. NOTIFICATION (2)

Dear Support State

Thank you for your interest in participating in Illinois' hosted Highway Safety Manual Lead State Peer to Peer Workshop (HSM-LSP2P) on November 17-18, 2010 in Schaumburg, Illinois. The intent of the HSM-LSP2P is to bring states together that have experience in implementing the AASHTO HSM (2010) in their agencies to discuss their successes, challenges and solutions, lessons learned, relevant tools, etc. in order to support the continued shift to and application of the science of safety. States that participate in the HSM-LSP2P will clearly demonstrate their commitment to leadership in the implementation of the HSM, and their willingness to support for other agencies such as local ones and other states.

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We are pleased to invite Idaho to be an HSM Support State in the implementation process of the HSM. As an HSM Support State, we will endeavor to keep you informed of all materials developed for the LSP2P event and other related efforts. We will also encourage that your state coordinate with a Lead State for mutual assistance. Furthermore, we suggest that your State consider active participation in the TRB Highway Safety Performance Committee and AASHTO Safety Management and Planning Committees' activities and meetings; those are excellent venues for gathering additional knowledge and updates on related initiatives.

If you have questions or would like additional information please contact me. We look forward to working with you in the future.

Sincerely,

Priscilla Tobias

# **D.4 FOLLOW-UP COMMUNICATION**

Thank you for participating in the HSM LSP2P planning meeting on September 29<sup>th</sup>, 2010 in Kansas City. Your input is very valuable and will help to make the LSP2P workshop beneficial to all participants and to others interested in implementing the HSM. Attached for your reference is the presentation that was prepared for the planning meeting (HSMLSP2P\_PlanningMtg\_20100929.pdf).

Based on the information you have provided a successful workshop will:

- Learn and exchange best practices
  - How to collect and maintain a sustainable data system
  - Data integration
  - Policy including legal aspect and all types of policies that may be addressed (design, planning, etc.)
  - HSM integration into processes
  - Use of the HSM and other related software tools
  - Marketing within the agency and motivating staff, How to build confidence in the HSM and buy-in to modify practices
  - Overcoming funding shortages including buying SA, SPF development outside of DOT, buying the manual, paying for training
  - Local perspective
  - How to develop training for the different roles and levels in the DOT and Locals
  - What is the value added relative to the cost of HSM implementation
  - Design of implementation plans (examples of sample from various states)

Each state will prepare at least one 5-10 minute presentation to share case studies with peers. We discussed that **XXXXX** would present on **Funding and Resources.** 

Please confirm that you will present on these topics and provide speaker contact information by *October 15<sup>th</sup>*.

The presentation should include the purpose of the work, how you went about the work, data needs and how they were addressed, identification of barriers and how they were overcome and next steps. Please use the attached template for developing your presentation and include the following specific information in your presentation as requested by peers during the planning meeting.

- Obtaining funding for training, support, HSM implementation
- Overcoming funding shortages should include purchasing SafetyAnalyst, SPF development (inside or outside of DOT), buying the manual, paying for training
- Cover different funding sources to create data sets
- Multiple sources for funding

I will send a meeting request for a conference call to discuss your presentation. Please let me know what dates and times will not work for you over the next couple of weeks.

Please make sure you register at the conference website and make flight and hotel reservations before October 29<sup>th</sup>.

http://ict.illinois.edu/conferences/HSMworkshop2010/index.htm

Date	Action
October 15	Send Speaker Contact Information and Presentation Title
October 25	Registration Closes
October 25 – 29	Conference Calls with Speakers
October 29	Hotel Room Block Closes
November 8	Submit Short Presentations Submit Shared Resources
January 1	Submit Preliminary Action/Implementation Plans for the LSP2P Website

[NOTE: Text in bold/underscored type was customized (e.g., Funding and Resources)]

# **D.5 PHONE CALL WITH STATES**

- 1. Confirm participation
- Who is the state sending?
- Have they registered for the workshop?
- Have they made their hotel reservations (released this week)?
- 2. Topics for presentation
- Is the presentation topic acceptable?
- Describe your presentation content.
- How much time do you need to present the material?
- What should the title be for State Approach to Implementation session?
- 3. Materials to send to us:
- Speaker bios by November 8th
- Receiving draft presentation by November 8th
- Materials i.e. policies, implementation plans by November 8<sup>th</sup>
- Complete survey
- Submit Preliminary Action/Implementation Plans for the LSP2P Website by January 1st
- Case Studies for FHWA project
- 4. Do you need any support from us?
- 5. Questions?

# **D.6 COMMUNICATION DISCUSSION FORM**

Highway Safety Manual Lead State Peer to Peer Workshop Discussion Form
Completed by:Agency:
Instructions
We heard from you that one of the visions for a successful HSM LSP2P workshop includes hearing lots of discussion from other states on various aspects of HSM implementation. As such the agenda for the HSM LSP2P workshop includes about a half hour of open discussion on each of the topics. In order to better facilitate discussions please use the form below to indicate:  • What you would like to <b>contribute</b> during discussions for each agenda topic
• What you would like to hear <b>discussed</b> during discussions for each agenda topic These notes will not be distributed to meeting attendees but will serve as prompts for meeting facilitators. Please email this form to Kim Kolody at <a href="kim.kolody@ch2m.com">kim.kolody@ch2m.com</a> by <b>November 8<sup>th</sup></b> , <b>2010.</b> We look forward to meeting with you soon and thank you for your help in making this a successful HSM LSP2P workshop.
Sincerely,
The HSM LSP2P Planning Committee
Approach to Institutionalization What you would like to contribute during discussions on Approach to Institutionalization?
What you would like to hear <b>discussed</b> during discussions on Approach to Institutionalization?
State Implementation Plans What you would like to contribute during discussions on State Implementation Plans?
What you would like to hear <b>discussed</b> during discussions on State Implementation Plans?
Policy What you would like to contribute during discussions on Policy?
What you would like to hear <b>discussed</b> during discussions on Policy?

# **Resources and Funding**

What you would like to **contribute** during discussions on Resources and Funding?

What you would like to hear discussed during discussions on Resources and Funding?

# **Training**

What you would like to **contribute** during discussions on Training?

What you would like to hear **discussed** during discussions on Training?

# **Data and Data Needs**

What you would like to **contribute** during discussions on Data and Data Needs?

What you would like to hear **discussed** during discussions on Data and Data Needs?

# **HSM Applications—Part B**

What you would like to contribute during discussions on HSM Applications-Part B?

What you would like to hear **discussed** during discussions on HSM Applications–Part B?

# **SPF Development and Calibration**

What you would like to **contribute** during discussions on SPF Development and Calibration?

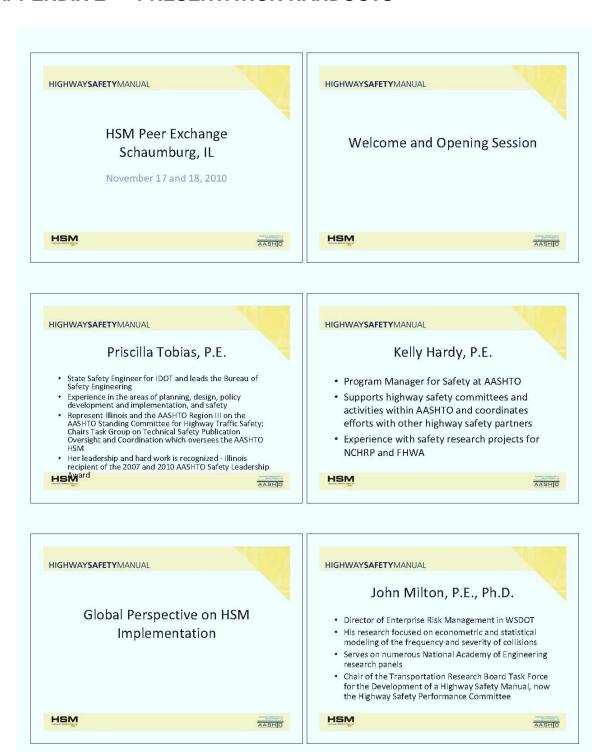
What you would like to hear **discussed** during discussions on SPF Development and Calibration?

# **HSM Applications—Part C**

What you would like to **contribute** during discussions on HSM Applications–Part C?

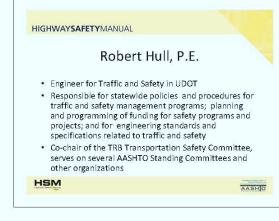
What you would like to hear **discussed** during discussions on HSM Applications–Part C?

# APPENDIX E PRESENTATION HANDOUTS



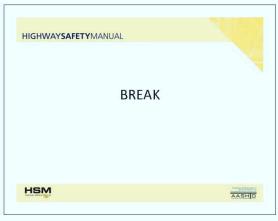


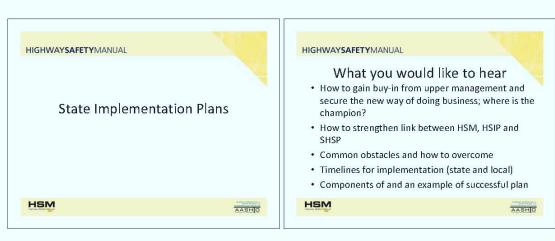
# What you would like to hear What do we mean by "institutionalization"? Comprehensive approaches to HSM Institutionalization How far reaching will changes be made How to reach out to other professionals in the agency It will take time – how long?

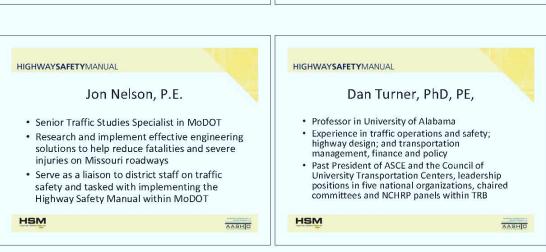






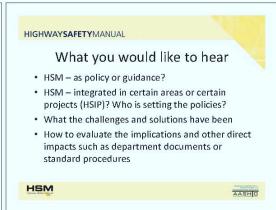


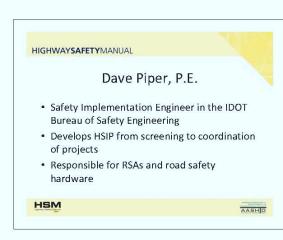






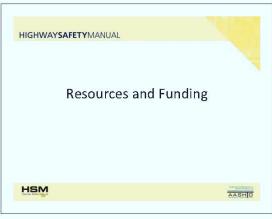












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# What you would like to hear

- Experiences and lessons learned using different resources and funding sources

  - Local agencies
- · How to fully implement HSM with existing resources
- · How much needed for full implementation
- · How to measure the impact of the better decisions based on HSM methods

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# **HIGHWAYSAFETY**MANUAL

# Priscilla Tobias, P.E.

- State Safety Engineer for IDOT and leads the Bureau of Safety Engineering
   Experience in the areas of planning, design, policy
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- Her leadership and hard work is recognized Illinois recipient of the 2007 and 2010 AASHTO Safety Leadership Award

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# More information

- · New Hampshire- Use of HSIP funds
- · Florida Use of HSIP, 408 Grants, and in house staff
- · Utah Dedicated funds

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- · Lousiana Hiring contract personnel
- · Washington Use of limited, non-dedicated funds
- · New Hampshire Pool fund for CMF verification
- FHWA Eligible federal funding

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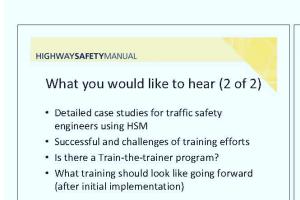
# What you would like to hear (1 of 2)

- · What areas of focus have been most valuable
- · How different training for different divisions, locals, consultants, and others
- · Upcoming training programs
  - could be available on an on-demand
  - locals and state agencies as time and resources

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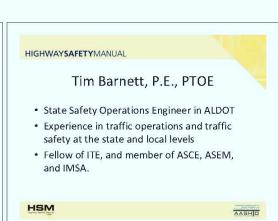


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# HIGHWAYSAFETYMANUAL Tim Colling, PhD., P.E. Director of the Center for Technology and Training and Senior Research Engineer in MTTI Involved in outreach and technical support to transportation agencies within the State of Michigan Involved in a number of research and education programs relating to traffic safety

# HIGHWAYSAFETYMANUAL Stuart Thompson, P.E. Highway Safety Engineer for NHDOT Over 30 years of experience in various transportation related organizations Member of the TRB Committee on Roadside Safety Design, the Committee on Maintenance and Operations Personnel, and the Chair of the Committee of Signing and Marking Materials

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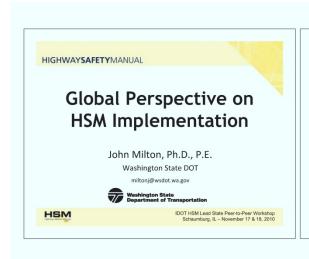










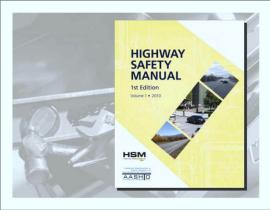


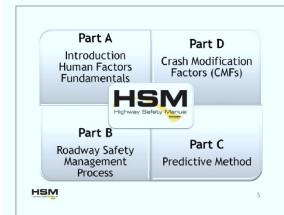
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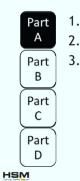
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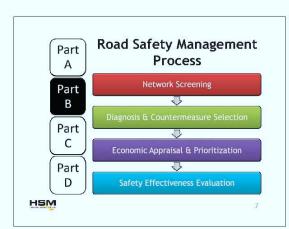


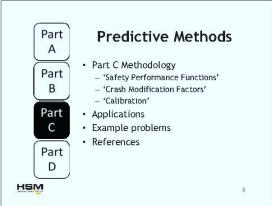




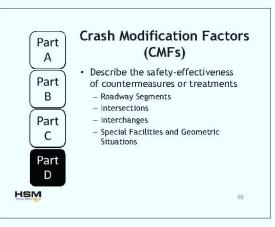


- 1. Introduction & Overview
- 2. Human Factors
- 3. Fundamentals







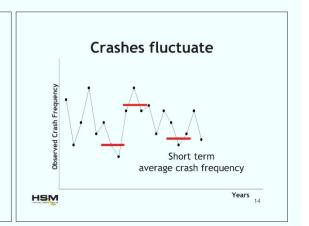


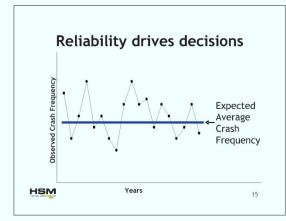


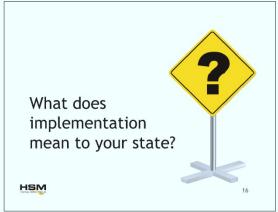


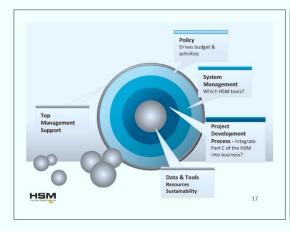
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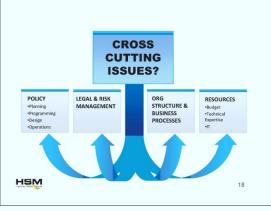
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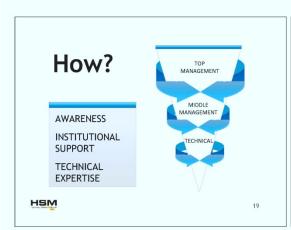
























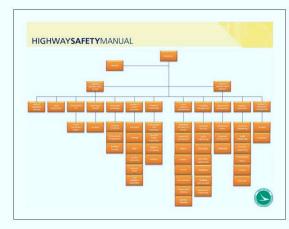










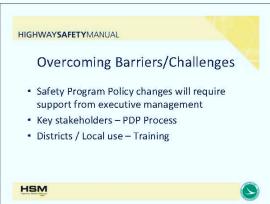




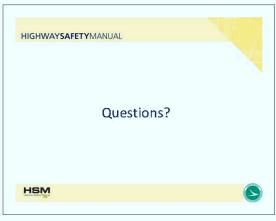


















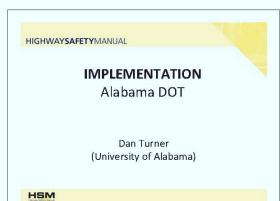


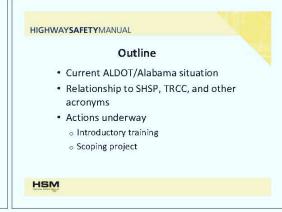












### Current ALDOT/Alabama situation CARE Software SHSP partnership of ALDOT, GHSP, University of Alabama and others Data (TRCC), HSP (GHSR), Infrastructure, Legislative and Stakeholder Community Actions underway

### Actions underway o Significant training o Scoping project – to fit HSM procedures to Alabama and vice versa

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# HIGHWAYSAFETYMANUAL Scoping Project 1) Users/user needs 2) AASHTOWare (SafetyAnalyst) 3) FHWA Software (IHSDM) 4) Data Needs Assessment 5) Potential Integration with CARE/CORRECT 6) SPFs for Alabama 7) Additional Software to Support HSM 8) Develop full plan

### HIGHWAYSAFETYMANUAL 1) Users/User Needs • Interviews/discussions • Training needs, time table 2) AASHTOWare • Install SafetyAnalyst • Overlaps with CARE functions • Blend it with Care? • Expand CARE capabilities?

# HIGHWAYSAFETYMANUAL 3) Data 3 ALDOT Bureaus need data Needs, assessment, gap analysis 4) Integrate CARE/CORRECT Mutually supportive use Gap analysis to migrate one software to the other

### 5) Integrate CARE/CORRECT

- · Mutually supportive use
- Gap analysis to migrate one software to the other

### 6) SPFs

- 3 terrain types in state
- Calibrate HSM SPFs, or prepare Alabama specific?
  - o Test both ways to make decision

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### 7) Develop Support Software

- Test EB methodologies vs. extensive data
- · Evaluate needed data and data cost

### 8) Completed Implementation Plan

- · Maximum effectiveness
  - o Uses best components of HSM
  - o Uses current Alabama safety tools
  - o Cost effective, time effective

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### Overcoming Barriers/Challenges

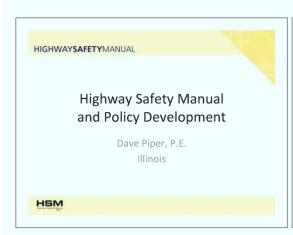
- Internal marketing
- · Managers got overview training
  - Established expectations
- · Funding prior approval
- · Scoping study underway

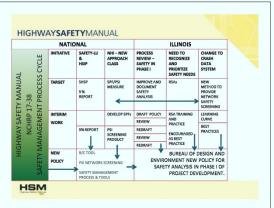
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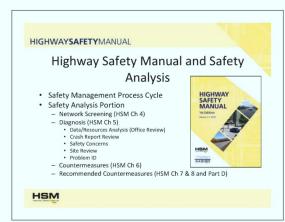
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### Conclusions

- · Good safety cooperation among agencies
- ALDOT managers see advantages of HSM
- Safety Operations Engineer has established a path and is moving forward
- · Technical and training help is in place





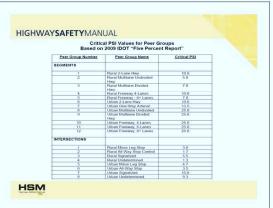


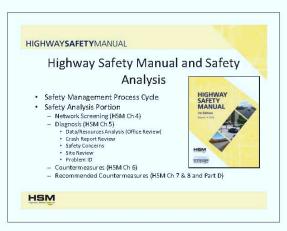




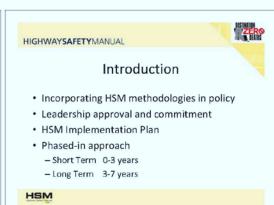






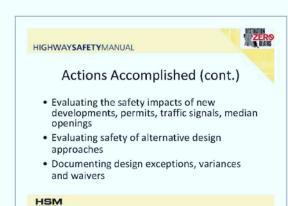


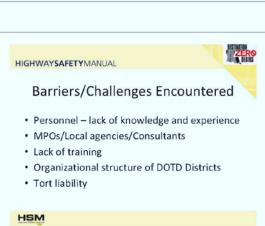














### Tort Liability

- · Does not establish a standard of care for users
- Provides information to assist agencies in the decision making process
- · Information compiled or collected for safety purposes are privileged under 23USC 409

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### 23 USC 409

§ 409. Discovery and admission as evidence of certain reports and surveys

Nowithstanding any other provision of law, reports, surveys, schedules, lists, or data compiled or collected for the purpose of identifying, evaluating, or planning the safety enhancement of potential acodent sites, hazardous roadway conditions, or railway-highway crossings, pursuant to sections 139, 144 and 148 of this title or for the purpose of developing any highway safety construction improvement project which may be implemented utilizing Federal-sid highway for the purpose of the purpose of the purposes in any action for damages arising from any occurrence at a location mentioned or addressed in such reports, surveys, schedules, lists, or data.

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### Overcoming Barriers/Challenges

- · Conducted FHWA Resource Center workshops
- Scheduled the NCHRP 17-38 workshop
- Working with LTAP
  - LRSP
- · Obtained leadership approval and commitment
- · Include HSM implementation as a strategy in the SHSP

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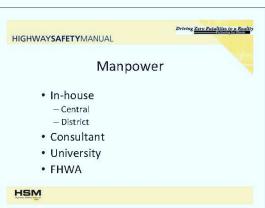


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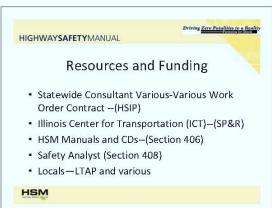
- · Review Department policies
- · Incorporate written HSM policies in:
  - Project Delivery Manual (Stage 0, Stage 1, etc.)
  - Engineering Directives Standards Manual (EDSM)
  - Louisiana Safety Assessment Process (PRR)
- · Conduct training for MPOs/Locals/consultants
- · Develop a communications plan

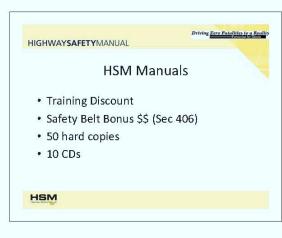


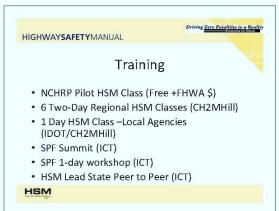






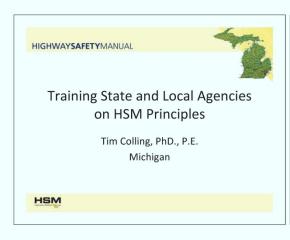








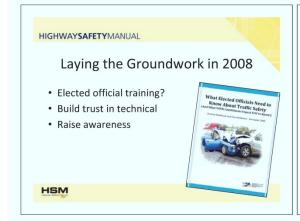


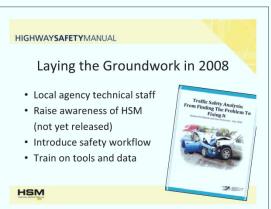
















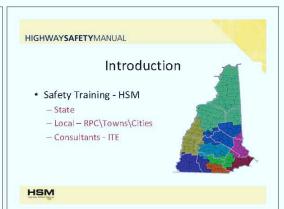












### Actions Accomplished

- New Approaches to Highway Safety Analysis 9/25/2007
- Application of Crash Reduction Factors 2/24/2009
   In conjunction with RSA training
- Highway Safety Manual Practitioners Guide for Geometric Design 10/21/2009
- Safety Workshop ITE 6/23/2010

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### Other Opportunities for Promotion

- PE Review
- Technical Advisory Committee
- RSA Process
- Project reviews

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### **Next Steps**

- · Highway Safety Manual Training
  - Executive Overview
  - HSM NHI
  - SafetyAnalyst

### HSM Training & Workforce Development

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### **HIGHWAYSAFETY**MANUAL

### Introduction

- HSM Training and Workforce Development are Essential to Implementing the Highway Safety
   Manual
- Need to Educate
  - Agency leaders so they understand HSM concepts and can facilitate implementation
  - DOT Personnel, County, City, Consultants, and Others involved in Planning, Designing, Constructing, and Managing our Highways and Streets

### HSM

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### **HSM** Training Accomplished

- HSM Overview Seminar (September 2010)
  - 37 attendees
- HSM Two-Day Workshop (September 2010)
   80 attendees
- Alabama T<sup>2</sup> LTAP at Auburn University One-Day Course (October 2010)
- 4 offerings throughout the state
- 126 attendees

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### **HSM Training Accomplished**

- HSM Overview and Two-Day Workshops
  - Facilitated by Tim Newman, Ida van Schalkwyk, and Dan Turner
  - National Experts brought Credibility and Real Understanding of HSM Concepts
  - Administrators and Managers in the 2-Hour HSM Overview were Very Impressed

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### Actions Accomplished

- · Workforce Development Courses Prior to HSM:
  - Safety and Operational Effects of Geometric Design Features
    - 36 attendees (1 session)
  - Low-Cost Safety Improvements
  - 39 attendees (1 session)
  - Improving Safety of Horizontal Curves
    - 70 attendees (2 sessions)
  - Road Safety Audits
    - 35 attendees (1 session)

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### Barriers/Challenges Encountered

- · Basic Knowledge and Skills of Attendees
- Hard to keep everyone engaged when there are so many job specialties in audience
- HSM One-Day Course is Insufficient to Cover Material & Overwhelming to Participants
- HSM Two-Day Workshop is Thorough, but Still to Complex for a the Time Expended
- · Cost of Training, Specifically Manual Cost

### Overcoming Barriers/Challenges

Additional Course Offerings:

- Divide the HSM Training into Manageable Parts, i.e., more specific subject areas
  - HSM for Planners, for Maintenance, for Designers, etc.
  - Individual Courses for Each HSM Chapter
- Workforce Development Opportunities to develop Knowledge and Skills of Stakeholders
  - State-Wide Training Program through LTAP
- Providing Manuals through Special Funding

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### **Next Steps**

- Additional HSM Two-Day Workshop Planned for Spring 2011
- · Develop More Focused and Specific HSM Training
- Continue Implementing Workforce Development
  Plan
- State-Wide Training Opportunities in Coming Year

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### Conclusions

- ALDOT is Committed to Training of Staff and Stakeholders
  - Training to Develop a Safety Culture
  - Training on the Use of the HSM
  - Training to Develop and Reinforce the Basic Knowledge and Skills Needed to Implement the HSM



### FHWA Implementation Roadmap for the HSM

### **Roadmap Elements**

- · Outreach and Marketing
- Training Building Core Capacity
- · Technical Assistance
- State and local implementation
- Institutionalization





### **HSM Marketing and Outreach**

### Ongoing Activities:

- Executive briefings and introductory overviews by AASHTO, FHWA, TRB
- Updated HSM Website- AASHTO
  - www.highwaysafetymanual.org
- http://safety.fhwa.dot.gov/hsm
- · Distribution of HSM & marketing products
- · AASHTO video (available online)

### Planned Activities:

- · State Implementation strategies report
- · Release of Electronic Suite DVD
- HSM Case Studies



### **HSM Training Activities**

### **Completed Training**

- HSM Workshops at TRB Jan. 2010
- NCHRP HSM Training Pilots in DC, WA, and IL
- FHWA Resource Center (RC) recorded HSM Webinars -12 available at www.highwaysafetymanual.org
- FHWA RC delivered HSM Practitioners Guide course in 10 states in FY 10

### **Planned Training**

- 50 HSM courses requested in 13 states for FY11
- · Additional NCHRP HSM Training Pilots LA, FL, AZ
- Web-based HSM and IHSDM training



### **HSM Available Training**

Course	Description
Interactive Highway Safety Design Model (NHI 380071)	2-day IHSDM overview course
New Approaches to Safety Analysis (NHI 380075)	2 ½ day workshop introducing SafetyAnalyst methodology
Highway Safety Manual	NCHRP 17-38 pilot course
(NHI 380106)	2 day HSM overview
HSM Practitioner's Guide for Two-Lane	2 day Safety Effects of Geometric Design
Rural Roads (NHI 38070A)	Features for two lane rural roads
HSM Practitioner's Guide for Multilane	2 day Safety Effects of Geometric Design
Highways and Urban/Suburban Roads	Features for multi-lane highways and
(NHI 38070B)	urban/suburban roads
HSM Practitioner's Guide for Intersections	1 day Safety Effects of Geometric Design
(NHI 380105)	Features for Intersections
HSM Practitioners Guide for Horizontal	1 day Safety Effects of Geometric Design
Curves (NHI 380088)	Features for Horizontal Curves
Using SafetyAnalyst	2 day Introductory Safety Analyst course Available for licensed states

### **FHWA Priorities**

FHWA will give priority consideration to the lead states as we assist with HSM outreach, training, technical assistance, and implementation planning

### **HSM Technical Assistance**

### Available Technical Assistance:

- · General HSM: AASHTO www.highwaysafetymanual.org
- SafetyAnalyst : service units through AASHTO
- · IHSDM:
  - IHSDM.support@fhwa.dot.gov & help line at (202)493-3407

### Planned Technical Assistance:

- · www.highwaysafetymanual.org user discussion forum
  - · Access to experts to answer questions
- · Ongoing assistance through AASHTO Task Group, TRB Highway Safety Performance Committee, & FHWA
- FAQs on all HSM related websites



### **FHWA Technical Assistance**

### Additional Technical Assistance:

- SafetyAnalyst (Part B Supporting tool):
   For those states considering licensing FHWA can offer:
  - Informational/overview webinars
  - Data preparation support
  - Software demonstration
- IHSDM (Part C Supporting tool):
  - · Limited calibration factor assistance
- · CMF clearinghouse (Part D Supporting tool)
  - CMF Guidebook
     FAQs



### **Potential HSM Implementation Activities**

### Activities a State may want to consider:

- · Identify HSM Champion within DOT & build implementation team
- · Use state strategies, lead state peer workshop as resource to develop implementation plans

### Activities local agencies may need assistance with:

- Awareness and training of County Engineers, MPOs, Cities Engage LTAP Centers, NACE, ITE, AMPO, NARC
- Addressing data shortcomings at local level



### **Proposed HSM Institutionalization Activities**

### Activities that support HSM Institutionalization:

- · Incorporate state-specific Calibration and SPF development as appropriate
- Consider developing state policies on HSM in project development processes such as design exceptions and alternative selection
- · Routinely evaluate projects with HSM methodology
- · Incorporate HSM methodology into higher education curriculum
- · Establish performance measures



### Potential Implementation Activities

- · Develop guidebooks for HSM applications in project development
- · Assist states with development of HSM implementation plans
- · Establish SPF Clearinghouse
- · Offer technical assistance to states to facilitate their efforts in developing calibration factors
- Offer technical assistance to states to facilitate their efforts in developing a SPF







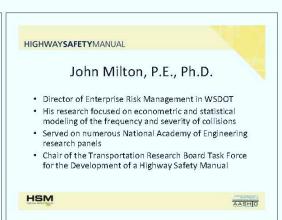








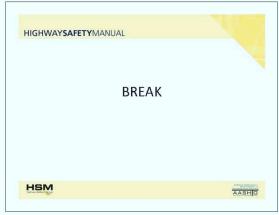








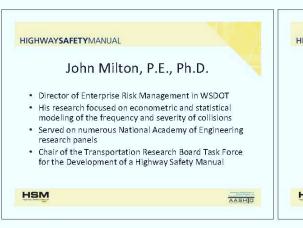




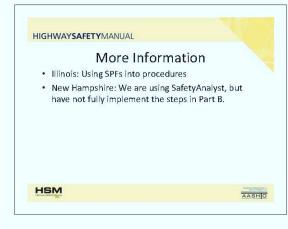




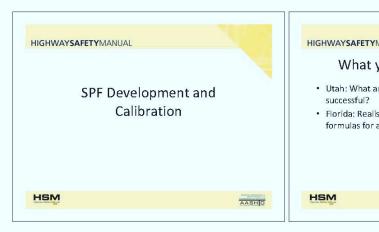


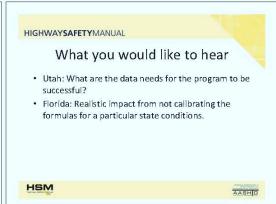


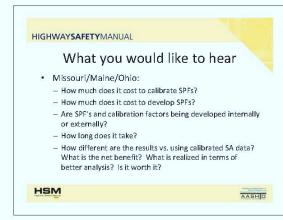


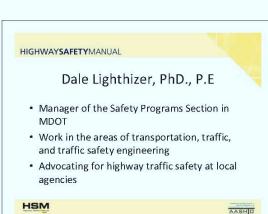






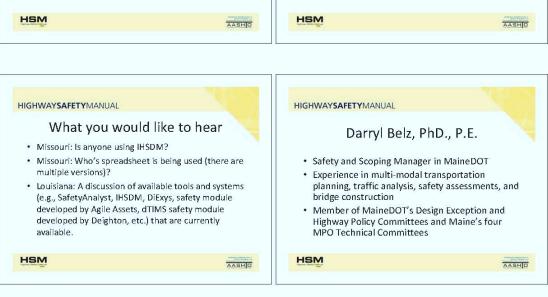


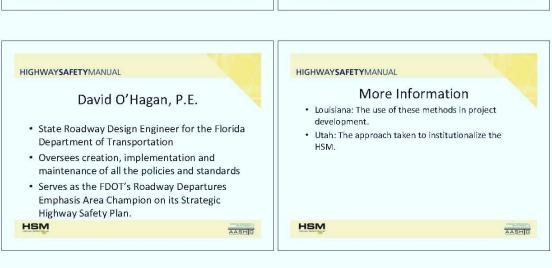


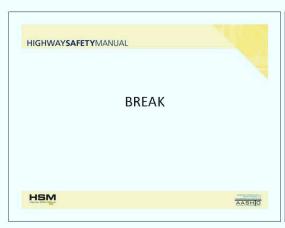




























### Data for Part B andC • Site Characteristics • Traffic volume • Crash Data

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## Part B • Network Screening • Diagnosis • Select Countermeasures • Economic Appraisal • Prioritizing Projects • Safety Effectivness Evaluation

Part C

Breaking out Segments and Intersection
Calibrating Models
Selecting appropriate SPFs
Estimating Crashes using EB

Part C

• Each Chapter has different data needs as outlined by NCHRP 329 and the HSM

• Data requirements differ because different of the different functional class characteristics

• Data is used to assess difference from base conditions

• Volume is a key variable in all models

### Washington State

- · All crash data available
- · Most geometric data available
- · Ramps and intersections biggest challenge
- Driveways not specifically identified by milepost.
- · Volume is a key variable in all models

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### Safety Analyst Implementation

- Data
- Key Risks
- Lesson Learned
- Challanges

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### HIGHWAYSAFETYMANUAL Data Element Records Roadway Segments 705,962 Intersections 11,847 Collisions (2004-2008) 238,810 Segment AADT 3,309,626 Minor Road Traffic AADT 12,777 Major Road Traffic AADT 708,160

## HIGHWAYSAFETYMANUAL Data Elements Roadway Segment Data Segment Traffic Ramp Data Ramp Traffic Intersection Data Major Road Traffic Minor Road Traffic Intersection Leg Data Intersection Leg Traffic Collision Data Construction Project Implemented Countermeasure

# Process Time Data Import 13 Hours Post-Processing 4½ Days Calibration 9 Hours

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### Consideration for Implementing SafetyAnalyst

- Requires substantial effort to prepare data for importing into SafetyAnalyst
- Full implementation uses data types that not all agencies have available
- Requires training for users
- Requires agency commitment

### Timeline Risks

- · Server Space
- Roles and Responsibilities (Charter)
- Required SafetyAnalyst Data Elements
- Data MappingCrosswalk SA Data to DataMart Data
- Determining Minor Road ADT
- · Processing Data
- · Identifying Additional Data Sources

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### Successes/Lessons Learned

- · Data experts
- IT Support
- Team Communication
- · Start with small data set
- · Trivial decisions...aren't
- · Data updates can be slow

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### Crosswalk SafetyAnalyst Data Needs to Agency Data

- · Need to know data format
- Data Accuracy
- · Unknown (99) is not always valid

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### Safety Analyst Implementation

- · Biggest Data Challenges
- Determining Minor Road ADT
  - Using 1 as an ADT placeholder created problems
- Unique ID for Ramp Intersections

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### Identifying Additional Data Sources

- · Access permit database
- · SRView3 (log of highways, 360 degree view)
- · Arial photos (TTI Method)
- Region databases
- · Local Agencies
- GIS
- MPO/RTPO

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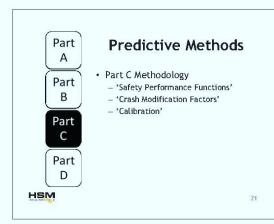
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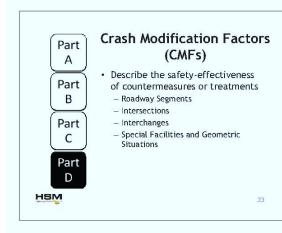
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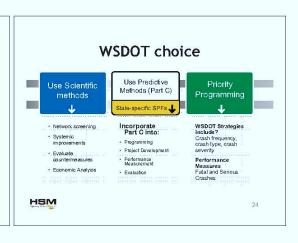


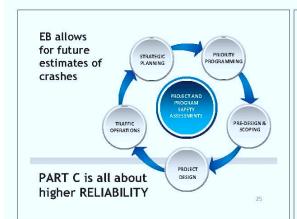












### Quantification is Key!

- WSDOTs goal is to maximize return on investment for each project dollar spent
  - To achieve this goal we must estimate future crash occurrence well
  - Scientifically based estimates that control for statistical issues increase potential returns
  - Use of SPFs (calibrated or developed)

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### WSDOT Developed SPF early

- WSDOT first developed SPFs in the mid 1990s
  - Redeveloped for Interstates
  - Research for Rural two lane and Suburban/Urban Arterials Identified
  - SPFs for Severity on multilane divided developed
  - Future SPFs will be developed.

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### **Priority Programming**

- · Supplemental Tools?
  - GIS Maps, Crash Records, Diagrams
- · Contributing factors analysis
  - Colorado's Diagnostics Assessment
  - Greater than expected occurrence

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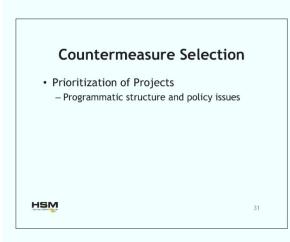


### **Countermeasure Selection**

- Countermeasure Selection
  - Developing Policy on use of CMFs
     Not all CMFs are created Equal (Star Rating)
- · Develop Policy on B/C ratio
  - What Benefits and Costs
  - Service Life
  - Crash Costs

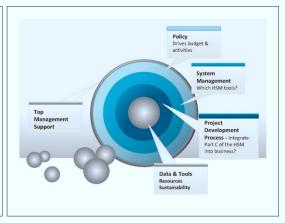
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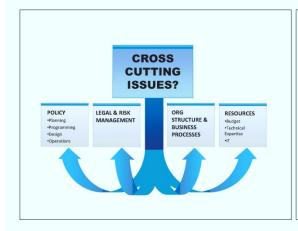
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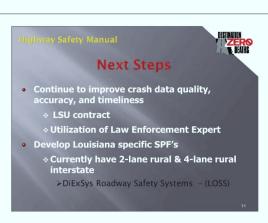


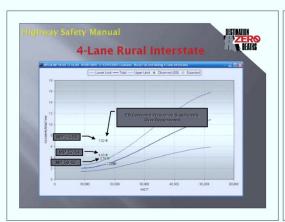






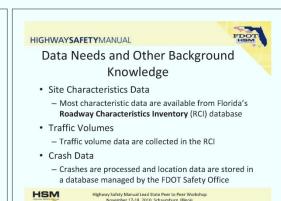


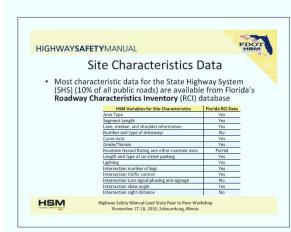


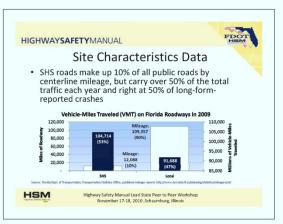


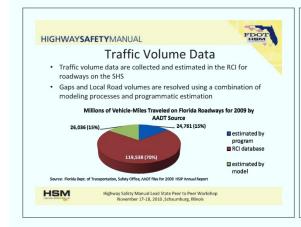


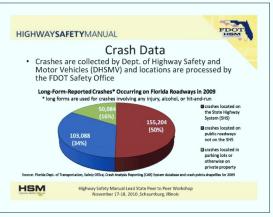




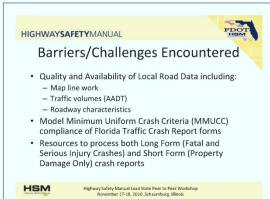








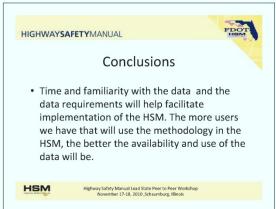














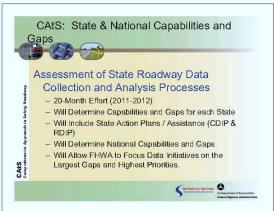


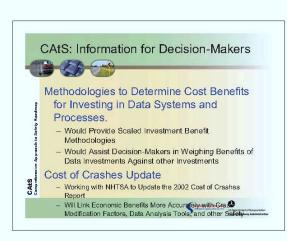


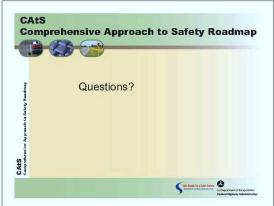




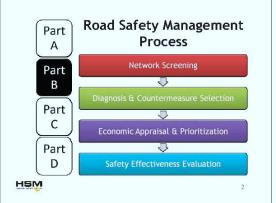


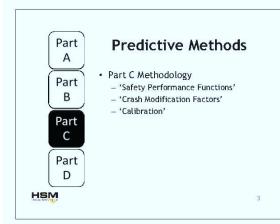




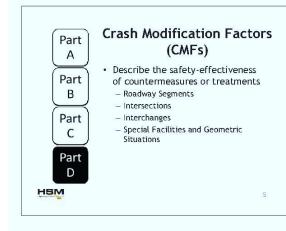


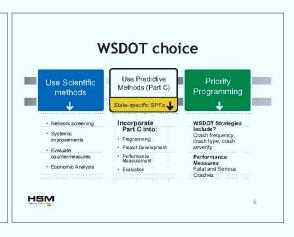


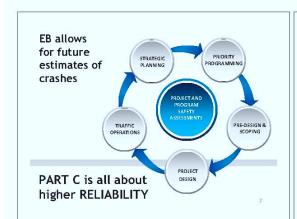












### Quantification is Key!

- WSDOTs goal is to maximize return on investment for each project dollar spent
  - To achieve this goal we must estimate future crash occurrence well
  - Scientifically based estimates that control for statistical issues increase potential returns
  - Use of SPFs (calibrated or developed)

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### WSDOT Developed SPF early

- WSDOT first developed SPFs in the mid 1990s
  - Redeveloped for Interstates
  - Research for Rural two lane and Suburban/Urban Arterials Identified
  - SPFs for Severity on multilane divided developed
  - Future SPFs will be developed.

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### **Priority Programming**

- · Supplemental Tools?
  - GIS Maps, Crash Records, Diagrams
- · Contributing factors analysis
  - Colorado's Diagnostics Assessment
  - Greater than expected occurrence

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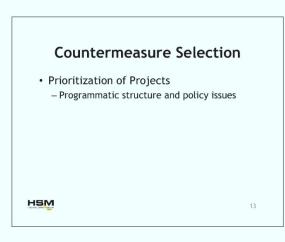


### **Countermeasure Selection**

- Countermeasure Selection
  - Developing Policy on use of CMFs
     Not all CMFs are created Equal (Star Rating)
- · Develop Policy on B/C ratio
  - What Benefits and Costs
  - Service Life
  - Crash Costs

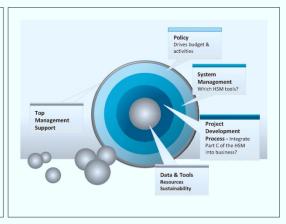
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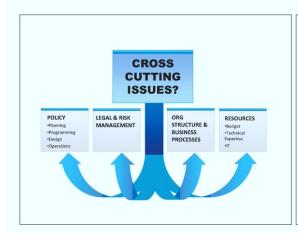
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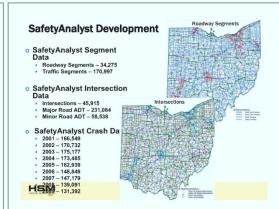












### SafetyAnalyst Development

- o Road Inventory Data Elements
  - Intersection Control Informati
     Roadway Location Attributes
     Cross Section Elements

- Roadway/Intersection Traffic Volume Data
   14,000 State System Counts (3-Year Cycle)
   3,000 Counts on Rural Major & Minor Collectors (6-Year Cycle)
   6,000 Safety Program Counts (6-Year Cycle)
   Roadway Segments Analysed and Counted Based on Crashes
   3,500 Ramp Data Counts (3-Year Cycle)
- o External Sources for Traffic Volume Data

  - MPOs and County Engineers
    Quality is Inherent Concern
    DOT Develop Standards
    Fill in Count Data Caps by Working with Modeling & Forecasting
    Section to Estimate and Model Missing Data

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	SafetyAnalyst Element	Requirements
	SegmentID	Required during data import
	Start location	Required during data import
	Enditecation	Required during data import
vAnalyst	Segment Length	Required for post-processing.
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guired	Access Centrel	Required for post-processing site subtype assignment
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	Interchange Influence Area on Mainline Freeway	flequired for post-processing site subtype assignment
ments	Route Type	Required during data import
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	Route Name	Required during data import
	Direction	Required during data import
	Number of Through Lanes	Required for post-processing site subtype assignment
	Year	Required during data import
	AADT	Reguired during data Import
	Intersection ID	Required during data import
	Location	Required during data Import
	Intersection Type Level 1	Required for post-processing site subtype assignment
	Traffic Control Type at Intersection	Required for post-processing site subtype assignment
	Year	Required during data import
	AADT	Required during data Import
	Year Beguined during data Import	
	AADT Required during data import	
	Leg ID	Required during data import
	Type	Required for post-processing traffic data and in crash assignment
	Vene	Required during data import
	AADT	Reguired during data Import
	Year	Regulined during data Import
	Ramp ID	Regulated during data Import
	Start Location	Required during data import
	Ramo Tyae	Required for post-processing site subtype assignment
	Ramp Configuration	Required for post-processing site subtype assignment
	Year	Required during data import
	AADT	Regulred during data Import
	Accident ID	Required during data import
	Location	Reguired during data import
	Aprildent Date	Required during data import
	Antident Severity Sevel 1	Regulated during data Import
	Number of Fatalities	Required during data import
	Number of Non-Fatal Injuries	Required during data import
	Relationship to Junction	Required during data import
	Accident Type and Manner of Collision	Required during data import
	Number of Vehicles Involved	Required during data import
7	Initial Direction of Travel	Required during data Import
	Vehicle Maneuver/Action	Required during data import

### SafetyAnalyst Development

- O Additional Crash Data Screening Elements
  (Customizable)

  1 The Following Items Added to the Data to Perform Network Screening:

  School Blue Related

  Work Zone Related

  Alcohol Related

  O roug Related

  Animal Related and

  Animal Related and

  Speed Related

  Commercial Motor Unicle Related

  Youth Related (16-29)

  Senior Related

  Related Contour (Curve, Grade)

  School Zone Related

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  School Zone Related

  Red Light Running
- o Additional Site Subtype Development
- Interchanges (Including Ram)
   Parking Sections

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### SafetyAnalyst Deployment

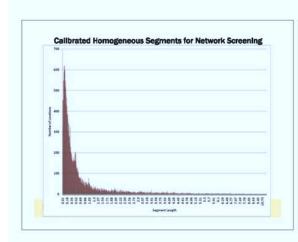
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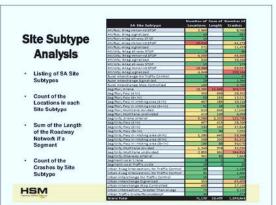
  - | Import CSV Files 1 Hr | Import CSV Files 1 Hr | Post Process Data 7 Hrs | Data Calibration 45 Min | Create Derby Installer 15 Min
- · Client-Server Install
- - Perform a Database-to-Database Copy from Derby to Oracle 5 Hrs
     Currently Using Oracle 10g Upgrading to 11g
     Create Oracle Installer 15 Min
     All Users Connect to the Same Dataset
- District Deployment

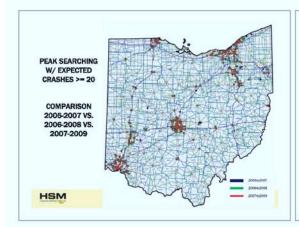
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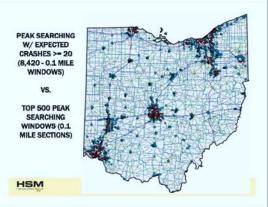
  SA is being testing along side our existing high crash analysis tools this year and will go live next year and our historical tools decommissioned (main-frame).

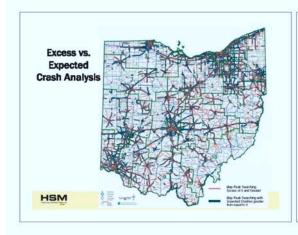
  Updates are pushed out to the Oracle server on a quarterly basis updating software builds and the data

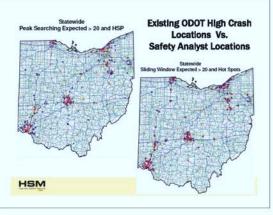


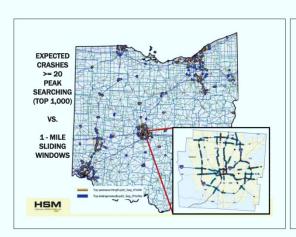














### SafetyAnalyst Benefits

- Improved our data collection processes and helped with needs assessment
- Help prioritize elements for asset management and road inventory
- Help identify site subtypes and flag locations where errors or data is missing and needs cleaned up
- Gives the districts the ability to run specialized and localized network screenings and site priority lists on an ad hoc basis
- Input implemented countermeasures (systematic/project) and evaluate the effects on highway safety develop CMFs

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# Michigan's Efforts in SafetyAnalyst/HSM Calibration

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### HIGHWAYSAFETYMANUAL

### Introduction

- · Development of Local SPF's
- Calibration of SPF's
- Calibration of crash distributions in HSM tools

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### SPF Actions Accomplished

- Implemented SafetyAnalyst for Michigan trunkline network
- Extracted calibration data from SA data management tool
- Compared by site sub-type Cal factors

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Michigan SafetyAnalyst SPF Calibration
Data

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SPF SITE SUBTYPE	SITE SUBTYPE	ACCIDENT SEVERITY LEVEL	SPF CAL FACTOR YEAR	SPF CAL FACTOR VALUE	SPF CAL FACTOR VALUE Wo Anmi Crshs
101	Seg/Rar; 2-lane	To tal Accidents	2004	1.481549	0.546500
101	Seg/Rar; 2-lane	Total Accidents	2005	1.398434	0.491013
101	Seg/Rur; 2-lane	Total Accidents	2006	1.361050	0.432300
101	Seg/Rur; 2-kne	Total Accidents	2007	1.443905	0.469985
101	Seg/Rur; 2-lane	To tal Accidents	2008	1.496205	0.495788
101	Seg/Rar; 2-lane	To tal Accidents	2009	1.485792	0.420627
101	Seg/Rar; 2-lane	Fatal and All Injury Accidents	2009	0.501338	0.435579
102	Seg/Rur; Multilare undivided	Total Accidents	2009	1.241091	0.628335
102	Seg/Rar; Multilane andivided	Fatal and All Injury Accidents	2009	0.447126	0.402856
103	Seg/Rur; Multilane divided	To tal Accidents	2009	1.679579	0.620630
103	Seg/Rur; Multilare divided	Fatal and All Injury Accidents	2009	0.781024	0.707803
104	Seg/Rur; Fivy (4 In)	Total Accidents	2009	2.20.3001	1.279905
104	Seg/Rur; Fivly (4 In)	Fatal and All Injury Accidents	2009	1.192295	1.108289

SPF SITE SUBTYPE	SITESUBTYPE	ACCIDENT SEVERITY LEVEL	SPF CAL FACTOR YEAR	SPF CAL FACTOR VALUE	SPF CAL FACTOR VALUE W Anmi Crsh
201	IntyRur; 3-leg minored STOP	Total Accidents	2009	1.820089	1.114184
201	IntyRur; 3-leg minored STOP	Fatal and All Injury Accidents	2009	0.675477	0.645716
203	Int/Rur; 3-leg signalized	To tal Accidents	2009	1.235844	1.124129
203	Int/Rur; 3-leg signalized	Fatal and All Injury Accidents	2009	0.385392	0.385392
204	Int/Rur; 4-leg minored STOP	To tal Accidents	2009	1,566285	1.000576
204	IntyRur; 4-leg minored STOP	Fatal and All Injury Acadents	2009	0.673991	0.662568
206	Int/Rar; 4-leg signalized	To tal Accidents	2009	2.031717	1.828336
206	Int/Rur; 4-leg signalized	Fatal and All Injury Acadents	2009	1.225909	1.220736
251	Int/Urb; 3-leg minor + d STOP	To tal Accidents	2009	1.119258	1.056448
251	Int/Urb; 3-leg minor +d STOP	Fatal and All Injury Acadents	2009	0.502106	0.499295
253	Int/Urb; 3-leg signalized	To tal Accidents	2009	1,435288	1.411705
253	Int/Urb; 3-leg signalized	Fatal and All Injury Acadents	2009	0.617168	0.617168
254	Int/Urb; 4-leg minor + d STOP	To tal Accidents	2009	1.416196	1.363355
254	Int/Urb; 4-leg minor+dSTOP	Fatal and All Injury Acadents	2009	152883.0	0.686737
256	Int/Urb; 4-leg signalized	To tal Accidents	2009	1.740743	1.720959
256	Int/Urb; 4-leg signalized	Fatal and All Injury Acadents	2009	0.832621	0.831435

### Local SPF Development Issues

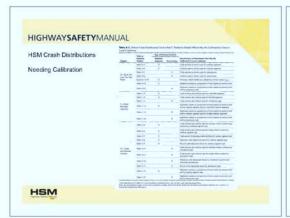
- · Lack of accurate cross volume data
- · Lack of ramp volume data
- · Unique MI operations
- When available MDOT will either develop SPFs in house or contract with a University

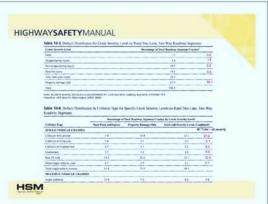
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### **HSM Crash Distribution Calibration**

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### Methodology

- Extract crash data from SafetyAnalyst database for homogenous segments/ intersection site subtypes
- Compile MI distributions to match HSM tables using SPSS

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### **Preliminary Findings**

- MI has very high reported percentage of animal crashes compared to default states
- Investigation of crash distributions has lead to need to do additional data integrity checks
- · Iterative process

### Challenges

- · File size has led to some issues
- Logistics
- Data formatting
- Extracting some of the key data

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### Conclusions

- MI will likely need to develop MI based SPFs
- MI will need to calibrate crash distributions
- These new distributions will be used in safetyAnalyst and the deployment of the HSM spread sheets
- May remove animal crashes from SafetyAnalyst data

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### Barriers/Challenges Encountered

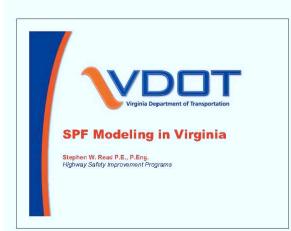
- · Lack of IT resources
- · Lack of critical data for SafetyAnalyst and HSM

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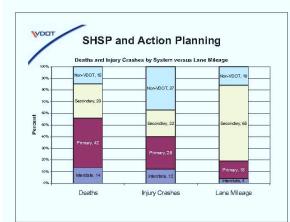
### **Next Steps**

- Complete crash distribution analysis for all sub-types
- Monitor traffic volume collection program to obtain necessary ADT information to support SPF development



Virginia's SPF Modeling Story

- 1. Past Initiatives
  - SafetyAnalyst preparation
- 2. Present Initiatives
  - Additional SafetyAnalyst roadway types
- 3. Future Efforts
  - HSM and SafetyAnalyst deployment





- · A key focus of the VA Strategic Highway Safety Plan is the treatment of corridors with high numbers of crashes
- · Virginia is developing a new approach that applies planning-level SPFs long sections of road



VDDT **Planning Level SPFs** 

- · Project Goals:
  - Develop SPFs to identify 2+ mile long sections of road for more detailed analysis
     Help to identify longer sections where a safety assessment or coordinated set of improvements may be beneficial
- · Summary of Approach:
  - SPFs aggregate intersections and segments together
     Using data from 2003 to 2007 on Virginia's primary system.

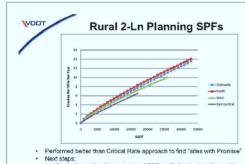
  - 7339 miles of road and almost 160,000 total crashes
     Different models for distinct regions of the state DC suburbs, western mountains, and central/eastern urbanized area

Planning Level SPFs

 $Crashes = e^{\alpha} (ADT)^{\beta} (Length)$ 

- · SPF breakdown:
  - Use same model form as SafetyAnalyst
  - SPFs for all crashes and fatal/injury
  - SPFs for rural/urban
  - Geometric categories:
    - 2 lane roads
       Multilane undivided

    - Multilane divided not access controlled
       Multilane divided access controlled



VDOT Intersection SPF Development Intersection Related Crash Subtypes - Rural 4-Leg Signalized Urban 4-Leg Signalized - 182 Sites - 568 Sites Urban 4-Leg with Minor Stop Control · Rural 4-Leg with Minor Stop Control - 1239 Sites - 1570 Sites Urban 3-Leg Signalized Rural 3-Leg Signalized - 836 Sites Urban 3-Leg with Minor Stop Control - 183 Sites Rural 3-Leg with Minor Stop - 5367 Sites - 8411 Sites
Functional Form for Intersection SPFs: 
$$\label{eq:ACC} \begin{split} ACC = &e^a \times AADT^b_{max} \times AADT^c_{min} \\ ACc = &\operatorname{redided} \operatorname{accident frequency per intersection per year \\ AADT_{max} = \operatorname{average annual daily traffic on the major road (veh/day)} \\ AADT_{max} = \operatorname{average annual daily traffic on the minor road (veh/day)} \end{split}$$

- Performed Decision and Committee of the Committee of the

### VDOT Intersection SPF Models

- Models for urban (8010 sites) and rural (10,346 sites) intersection related (within 250 ft) for:

  - 0 ft) for:

    Total Crashes

    Fel Crashes

    Compared to MN models in SafetyAnalyst

- mountes

  Pedining TCD

  Poor inventory impute from crash report for signals, 2 and 4 way stops

  Insufficient 4-way stop sites for model

  - Determining "Urban" or "Rural"
    Based on Functional Classification
    Mixed approach leg classes were excluded

  - Defining Major versus Minor Approach Volumes

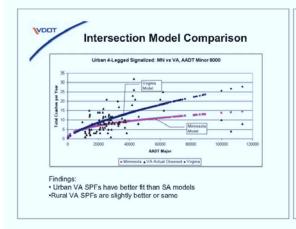
    Important since the model parameters are matched to the natural log of
    the major and minor AADT

    Used sum of the two highest approach volumes for 3 and 4 leg
    configurations

### VDDT

### Intersection Model Comparison

	R^2 Freeman Tukey (%)			
ĺ	TOTAL CRASH FATAL&INJURY CRAS			Y CRASH
	VA	MN.	VA	MN
Urban 4-Legged Signalzied	58.04	33.58	40.59	32.42
Rural 4-Legged Signalized	81.69	80.84	64.53	19.49
Urban 4-Legged Minor Stop Control	31.29	21.55	19.28	7.97
Rural 4-Legged Minor Stop Control	16.90	13.43	10.00	9.98
Urban 3-Legged Signalized	37.01	30.86	28.01	26.20
Urban 3-Legged Minor Stop Control	22.97	10.38	13.38	9.77



VDOT **Two-Lane Highway SPF Models** 

### Purpose and Data

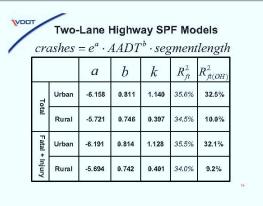
- · AADT based for SA categories
- · Rural and Urban based on Functional Class
- · Approx 50,000 miles with Traffic Volumes and Roadway Inventory for years 2003-07
- Secondary (local) system counts every five years
- Sites segmented at all:
   Intersections (none internal to site)

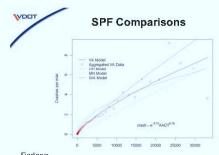
  - geometric changes
  - speed zones
- Excluded if Functional Class or Number of lanes changed in study period

## Two-Lane Highway Data

AREA	# OF SEGMENT	LENGTH (Miles)	REGION	# OF SEGMENT	LENGTH (Miles)
			Northern	30685	3398.0
Urban	57605	6949.8	Northwest and Southwest	9142	1431.5
			Central and Eastern	17778	2120.3
			Northern	8186	3932.8
Rural	82030 42837.5	Northwest and Southwest	49737	27169.6	
	1333555	ALIGE WELL	Central and Eastern	24107	11735.1

- Approach:
   to remove regional models not performing better than statewide
- to determine if models for primary and secondary "system" perform better





- Findings:
   Many regional SPF models selected
   System specific SPFs typically performed better
- To be determined if SafetyAnalyst will accept the multiple models

VDDT Present SPF Modeling Currently developing models for: - Multilane arterials · Preliminary findings: One regional multilane model is not following normal form
 Method to defining freeway "segments" range from simple to
HCM definition

VDDT **SPF Application** "Down the Road Efforts"

- · Presently reloading VDOT District data into SafetyAnalyst to investigate using VA SPFs
- · Hope to use SA for FY13 HSIP project planning
- VDOT is changing road network GIS model, so change to safety models is continual

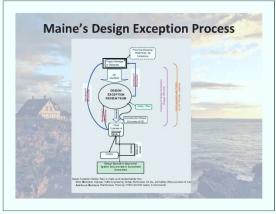
VDDT **HSM Application** "Down the Road Efforts"

- · Determine use of HSM Part C for project analysis
  - Compare national to VA values
  - Show value added to management
- · Using Rural Multilane SPF data sets to develop:
  - Crash distribution values
  - Calibration factors and methods
- Apply findings to study a pilot corridor project



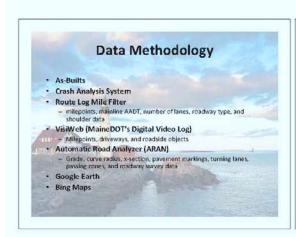




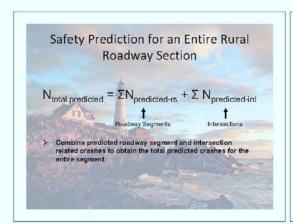




















### **HSM APPLICATIONS - PART C** FLORIDA DOT

- AASHTO vs Plans Preparation Manual Criteria
- SR 43 (US 301): Balm Rd to Gibsonton Dr.
- SR 50: US 19 TO CR 587
- SR 574 Study

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### AASHTO vs. PPM

- SITUATION
  - AASHTO "Greenbook" Florida DOT PPM
- ANALYSIS
  - DOT's Costs: Pre-construction, right of way, construction, maintenance.
  - Maintenance: Insignificant differential.
     User Costs: Safety
- GOAL
  - To reduce the cost of DOT projects without sacrificing safety and operational/functional characteristics.

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### AASHTO vs. PPM

### **OPTIONS:**

- 1. Maintain Status Quo: Use Variations Process to justify reduced criteria
- 2. Revise PPM Criteria: Eliminates need for some Variation submittals
- 3. Revise Variation Requirements: Include a safety analysis to quantify impacts of reduced criteria.

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### AASHTO vs. PPM

- RECOMMENDATION
  - Option 3: Require a safety analysis with Design Variations for all new and reconstruction projects when reductions in critical design elements are being considered.
- JUSTIFICATION
  - Variations Process already working well.
  - Means to quantify safety impacts of cross-section decisions.
  - Consistent with including non-DOT costs in our decisions (user costs in pavement-type selection).

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### AASHTO vs. PPM

- · 2007 Study by Roadway Design Office
  - Construction Cost Differences Only
    - Interstate Widening (1.2%)
    - New Rural Freeway (8%)
    - New Rural Arterial (7%)
    - New Urban Arterial (10%)
    - New Overpass (21%)

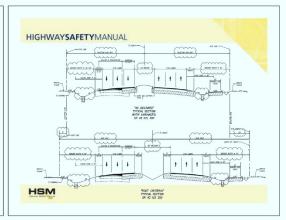
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### AASHTO vs. PPM

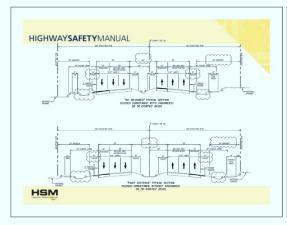
- · 2008 Study by Roadway Design Office
- · Include right of way and maintenance costs with construction costs.
  - Rural Arterial Widening
  - Urban Arterial Widening
  - Interstate Widening
  - New Overpass Construction

# HIGHWAYSAFETYMANUAL SR 43 (US 301): Balm Rd to Gibsonton Dr. Hillsborough County, 6.16 miles Currently: Two-lane rural New Design: Six-lane rural with sidewalk and shared-use path. Design at 90% Complete when studied Several Variations to eliminate ROW acquisition for typical section



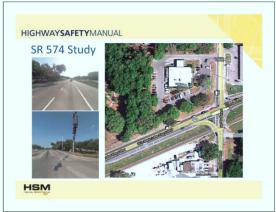
# HIGHWAYSAFETYMANUAL SR 43 (US 301): Balm Rd to Gibsonton Dr. As designed PPM Design Construction: \$82,200,000 (+0.7%) Right of Way: \$10,200,000 (Ponds) DOT Costs: \$92,400,000 Crash (20 yr): \$95,600,000 DOT+User Costs (20 yr): \$188,200,000 POT+User Costs (20 yr): \$188,200,000 Crash (20 yr): \$189,700,000 (+5%)

# HIGHWAYSAFETYMANUAL SR 50: US 19 TO CR 587 Hernando County, 3.73 miles Currently: Four-lane rural New Design: Six-lane rural with sidewalk and shareduse path. Design at 30% Complete when studied Several Variations to eliminate ROW acquisition for typical section Closed conveyance drainage system

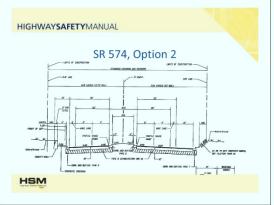




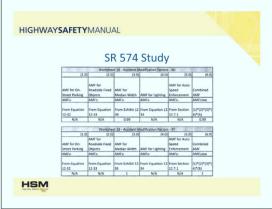


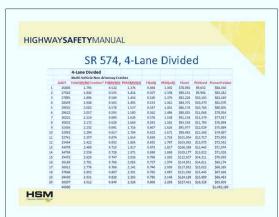


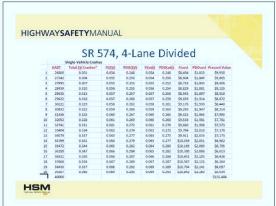


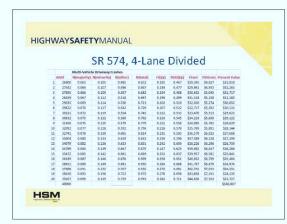




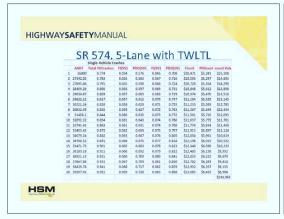




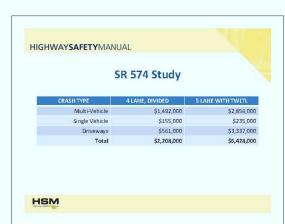














### APPENDIX F **POST-WORKSHOP SURVEY**



Highway Safety Manual Lead State Peer to Peer Workshop

### **Attendee Survey**

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Thank you for participating in the 2010 I appreciate your opinions on the following and execute future workshops to meet your	items. You			
Name (Optional):		<del></del>		
1. Please indicate your overall satisfaction	with this wo	rkshop		
Very Satisfied	Somewhat	Neutral	Somewhat	Very
	Satisfied	F-3	Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied
Registration Process				
Materials/Handouts				
Speakers/Presenters				
Venue/Facility				
What did you like most about the works	shop and wh	at is your mo	st important ga	in from it?

3.	Would you be interested in attending similar workshops again in the near future (e.g., next year)?
	C Yes C Not
4.	If you answered yes to Question 3, what kinds of sessions would you like to see included at the next workshop?
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5.	While developing and implementing HSM in your organization, what kinds of resources and support would you like to have between now and future workshops (e.g., training, conference calls, tutorial and meetings) within your state, regionally, and nationally?
6.	Any additional comments or feedback on this workshop?
Th	ank you!
Th	ne HSM LSP2P Planning Committee
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