Introducing...



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A.S.A.P. History



- Started: Birmingham in 1997
- CMAQ funding
- Expanded: Mobile in 2003







Under Development

- Guidelines Manual
 - Defining the duties
 - Establishing standards
- Training Program
- Revised Logo





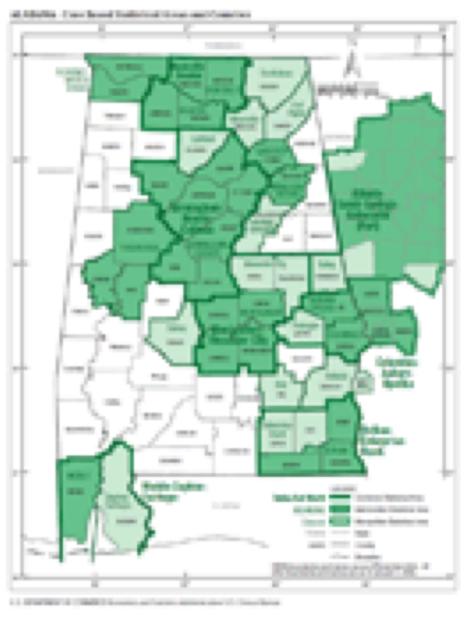
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RTMC



- 5 regional traffic management centers
 - Birmingham
 - Mobile
 - Montgomery
 - Tuscaloosa
 - Huntsville



Recent Expansion in Service Areas



- Montgomery
- Tuscaloosa







Moving Forward



- Justification
- Huntsville Area
- Rural Applications?

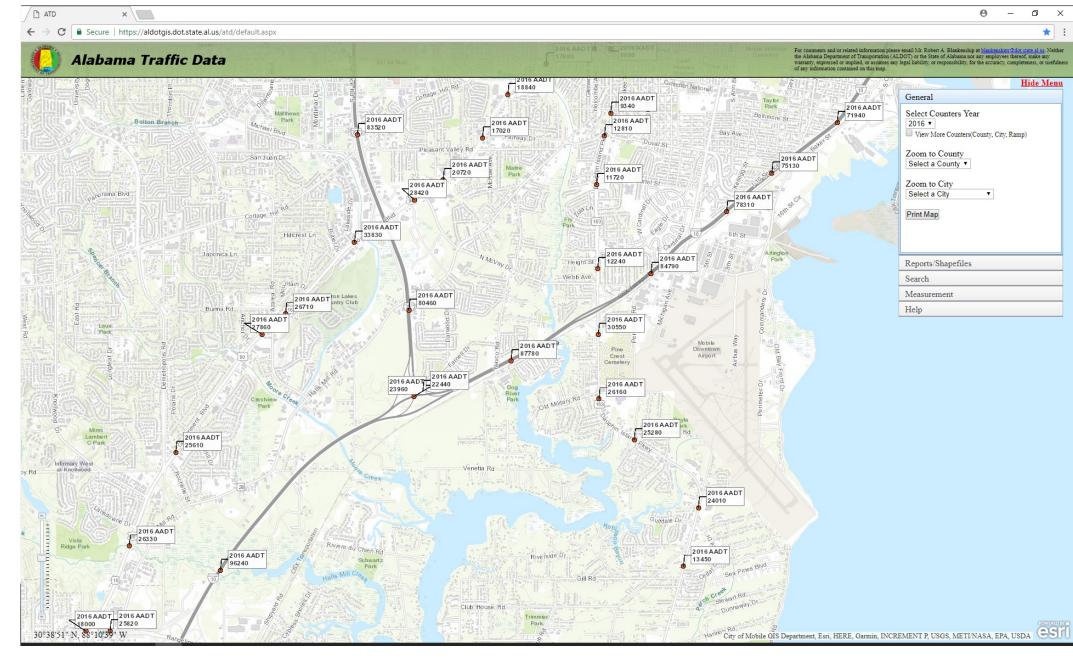
Incident Factor Equation

The Pennsylvania Department of Transportation developed an equation to assist in mathematically determining route justification for their safety service patrol program. The equation provides an Incident Factor and includes the AADT, the annualized number of crashes over a predetermined segment, the length of the segment, and a constant. For the segment to receive further consideration its resulting Incident Factor should be 4 or higher. This equation is a good start for evaluating route justification, if a route does not achieve at least an IF of 4 it shouldn't be ruled out for inclusion. A level of engineering judgement should be exercised considering freight movement, construction zones, or other factors that the IF equation does not incorporate into calculation. The IF equation is included below. A spreadsheet has been developed for assisting in evaluation and record keeping and is available upon request.

IF = (AADT) x (average annual number of crashes/length of segment in miles)
100,000







Crashes



Electronic CrashReporting System

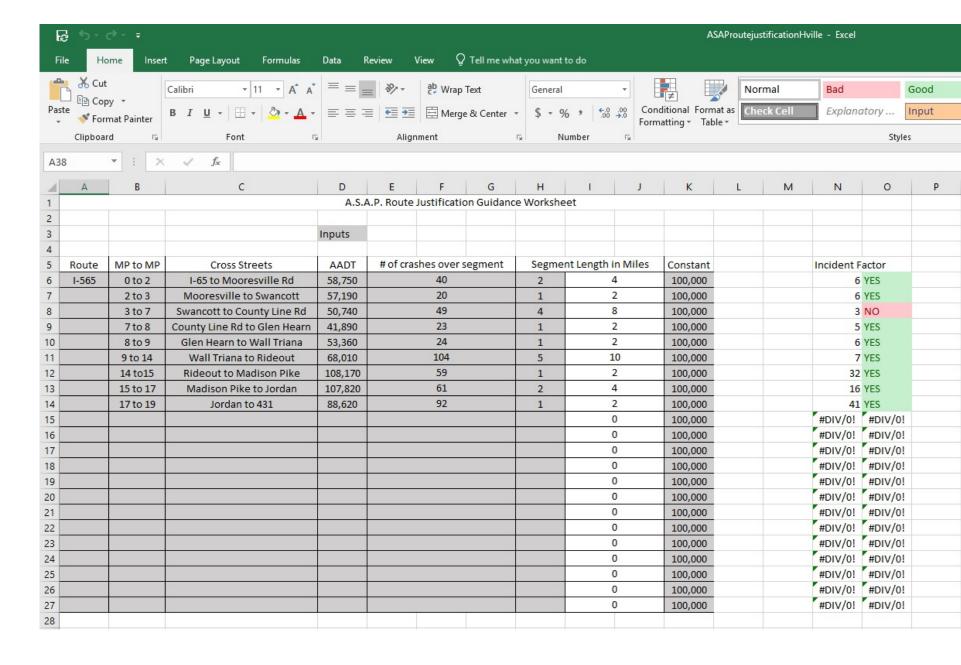
Critical AnalysisReporting Environment







Worksheet



Other Considerations

- TADT
- Freight (just in time delivery)
- Work zones
- Using the data (shorten routes)













Emergency Ops/Special Events



- Snow and Ice
- I-65 Hurricane Contraflow
- University of Alabama
- Auburn University
- Talladega Superspeedway



Funding/Staffing



- Birmingham qualifies for CMAQ
- Other areas funded through routine or special maintenance funds
- Battle for employment numbers
- Contract staffing?
- Procurement times?
- Data driven decision making/budgeting



Questions?



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