



Vehicle Probe Project Committee Conference Call August 25, 2008 Minutes

Participants – see attached

Agenda

	<i>Topic</i>	<i>Speaker</i>
1	Introductions and Welcome	Bill Stoeckert
2	Web Site and Data Feed - Update	Rick Schuman/ Jeff Summerson
3	Contractual Issues <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Data Use Agreement Status• Expansion Status	Kathy Frankle
4	Data Validation – Update	Stan Young
5	Agency Updates <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Data Use activities and plan• Agency feedback since July 1 launch• Expansion Plans	All
6	Review of Action Items from this call	Karen Jehanian
7	Next Meeting	Karen Jehanian

1. Welcome and Introductions

Bill Stoeckert opened the conference call at 10:00 a.m. by welcoming everyone and thanking those participating. The following is a summary of the discussion. The slide presentation and all Vehicle Probe (VP) Project information is available at: <http://www.i95coalition.org/vehicle-probe.html> (scroll to the topic area of your choice.) Also, attached to this document is the list of monitoring site comments.

2. Web Site and Data Feed

Rick Schuman and Jeff Summerson noted that the current user base is about 45 with several agencies represented. INRIX reported that 36 comments were received from four different sources. INRIX and Coalition staff will be reviewing the web site comments in the coming weeks to determine priorities for changes and make recommendations. These recommendations will be reported back to the project team for their review in the form of a disposition matrix.

INRIX also reported on the data feed, noting the number of credentialed users and service availability during the period. In response to a question about outage monitoring, INRIX confirmed that they are monitoring internally. Stan Young (UMd) noted that they are sampling portions of the site periodically.

Actions:

- a. Attach comments to these meeting minutes and distribute to the project team.



b. Prepare the comment disposition matrix and share with the project team when complete.

3. Contractual Issues

Kathy Frankle reported that the NCDOT DUA has been signed and is in transit.

James Pol noted that FHWA is preparing to sign a modified version of the NJDOT DUA.

The New Jersey Turnpike is in the process of signing a DUA to enable use of the data.

Bill Stoeckert noted that in addition to agencies, I-95 Corridor Coalition consultants Cambridge Systematics and Mixon Hill will use the data for the ICAT and ISN projects, respectively and have signed the DUA. Bill also reminded the agencies that they are responsible for how their contractors and consultants use the Vehicle Probe data and that the use must be limited to activities directly related to the Vehicle Probe project. The agency is responsible for ensuring the proper use of the Vehicle Probe project data.

4. Data Validation

Stan Young reported that the validation plan, bluetooth concept of use and June 17, 2008 data test are on the Coalition web site. He reported that UMD is working through logistics issues and that the bluetooth technology seems to be working well and may replace the floating car method. Data collection is complete in Northern Virginia and Maryland and will be conducted in Delaware and New Jersey in September. There was discussion regarding the amount of data that needs to be collected and if all states need to be included. It was noted that states and their respective roadways are different. At this point the validation program will continue through all states. It was noted, however, that the floating car data collection method may be dropped if the bluetooth method is accepted as a suitable alternative.

5. Agency Updates

Each member agency present was requested to give a status update related to their use of the VP data and/or expansion plans.

Virginia – UVA is preparing a strategic plan for VDOT to integrate the VP data into its 511 and traveler information systems.

New York – it was reported that INRIX will make a presentation on the project to NYSDOT on Wednesday, August 27, 2008.

New Jersey – is working toward integrating the Vehicle Probe data into its 511. In the meantime, operators are using the monitoring site in their daily operations.

Maryland – needs to make modifications to its core system software to meet the DUA requirements. It is expected that this task will be complete in October 2008, with implementation following in 6-9 months. It was reported that the technical staff are reviewing the data and working toward understanding the nuances. Issues experienced previously with the IE6 browser seem to be improving. Lastly, it was reported that there have been presentations on the expansion made to Sr. management.

Pennsylvania – it was reported that PennDOT is very interested in the project and is awaiting finalization of its 511 selection to be able to move forward with any activity related to the Vehicle Probe project. Stan Young noted that any validation activity is on hold pending execution of the DUA.

North Carolina – has signed the DUA and is awaiting the executed version.



6. Review of Actions Items

- a. Attach comments to these meeting minutes and distribute to the project team.
- b. Prepare the comment disposition matrix and share with the project team when complete.
- c. Distribute the initial validation results at the end of September 2008.

7. Next Meeting

The next meeting is tentatively planned for September 29, 2008.

Any questions in the meantime should be directed to:

- Bill Stoeckert at 774.207.0367 or wstoeckert@yahoo.com
- Stan Young at 301.403.4593 or seyoung@umd.edu
- Rick Schuman at 407.298.4346 or rick@inrix.com
- Jeff Summerson at i95Support@inrix.com for questions or comments regarding the monitoring site
- DUA issues and project expansion issues should be directed to Kathy Frankle at kfrankle@umd.edu

Mr. Stoeckert thanked the Committee members for their input.

The conference call was adjourned at 11:00 AM



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