
Appendix J

Summary of Benefit Cost/Calculations

Twin Cities Ramp Meter Study

Benefit Estimation

	Daily Change	Value	Daily Benefit	Annual Change	Annual Benefit
Travel Time					
Change in Freeway Travel Time (person hours)	30,550	\$	9.85	\$	300,922
Change in Ramp Travel Time (person hours)	(30,449)	\$	9.85	\$	(299,920)
<i>Subtotal</i>	<u>101.7</u>			\$	<u>1,002</u>
Travel Time Reliability					
Change in Freeway Travel Time Reliability (person hours)	33,089	\$	9.85	\$	325,923
Change in Ramp Travel Time Reliability (person hours)	(22,628)	\$	9.85	\$	(222,889)
<i>Subtotal</i>	<u>10,460.3</u>			\$	<u>103,034</u>
Safety					
Fatality Crashes	0.0228	\$	1,176,584.23	\$	26,834
Injury Crashes					
Severe	0.1210	\$	57,287.50	\$	6,930
Moderate	0.4888	\$	21,711.76	\$	10,612
Minor	0.7423	\$	13,471.42	\$	10,000
Property Damage Crashes	2.8424	\$	6,789.87	\$	19,300
<i>Subtotal</i>	<u>4.2172</u>			\$	<u>73,675</u>
Emissions					
Hydrocarbon (tons)	0.43	\$	1,774.00	\$	754
Carbon Monoxide (tons)	4.91	\$	3,731.00	\$	18,329
Nitrous Oxide (tons)	(0.64)	\$	3,889.00	\$	(2,480)
<i>Subtotal</i>	<u>4.70</u>			\$	<u>16,603</u>
Energy					
Fuel Use (gallons)	(22,246.3)	\$	1.45	\$	(32,257)
<i>Subtotal</i>				\$	<u>(32,257)</u>
DAILY TOTAL			\$		162,057
Number of Metering Days Per Year					247
TOTAL ANNUAL BENEFIT					40,028,008

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Cost Estimation

Capital Costs

Congestion Management Subsystems	# of System Components	System Capital Cost	Annual Capital Cost	% Attributable to Metering	Annual Metering Cost
Ramp Meters	431	\$ 4,183,019	\$ 356,597	100%	\$ 356,597
System Detection	3500	\$ 13,072,500	\$ 1,762,417	15%	\$ 264,363
CCTV Surveillance	229	\$ 21,073,015	\$ 1,669,764	0%	\$ -
Traffic Management Center	1	\$ 24,943,438	\$ 1,247,172	10%	\$ 124,717
Subtotal		\$ 63,271,972	\$ 5,035,950		\$ 745,677
HOV Bypass Ramps*	73	\$ 21,900,000	\$ 730,000	100%	\$ 730,000
TOTAL			\$ 5,765,950		\$ 1,475,677

* HOV bypass ramps are a transit initiative and are not generally considered part of the congestion management system.

Total Costs

Cost Item	All Congestion Management Capabilities	Amount Related to Ramp Metering
CMS Operation Costs	\$ 893,836	\$ 431,879
CMS Maintenance Costs	\$ 967,489	\$ 464,395
Additional Research	\$ 250,000	\$ 250,000
Subtotal	\$ 2,111,325	\$ 1,146,274
+ Annual Capital Costs	\$ 5,765,950	\$ 1,475,677
TOTAL	\$ 7,877,275	\$ 2,621,950

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Benefit/Cost Comparison

Benefit/Cost Comparison	All Congestion Management Costs	Ramp Metering Only Costs
Cost Item		
Annual Capital Cost	\$ 5,765,950	\$ 1,475,677
Annual O&M Costs	\$ 2,111,325	\$ 1,146,274
TOTAL ANNUAL COST	\$ 7,877,275	\$ 2,621,950
TOTAL ANNUAL BENEFIT	\$ 40,028,008	\$ 40,028,008
Comparison		
Net Annual Benefit	\$ 32,150,734	\$ 37,406,058
Benefit/Cost Ratio	5.1	15.3