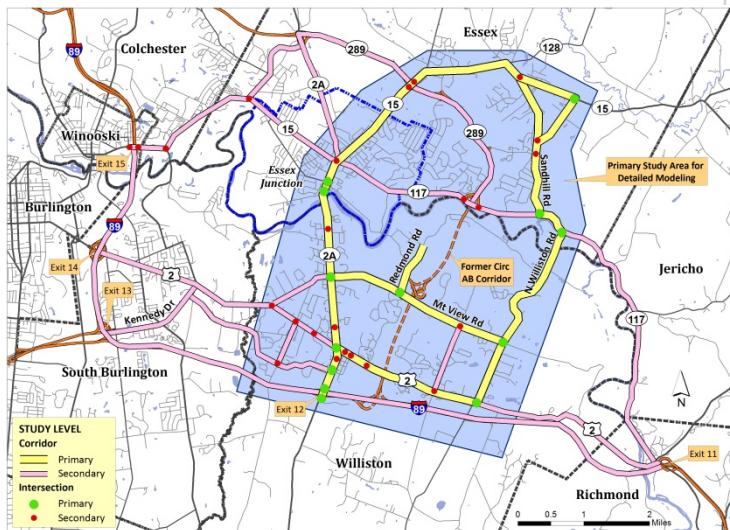




Williston-Essex Network Transportation Study

Steering Committee Meeting #6

Presentation of 2015 Results - Base Case and Hybrid Strategy Packages



December 13, 2012

Presentation Overview

- Project Status
- Modeling Process
- Review of Performance Measures
- Results
 - 2015 Base Case (with Core Improvements)
 - 2015 Hybrid Strategy Packages 1-3
 - 2035 Base Case (with Core Improvements)
- Next Steps

Project Status

- Phase 1: Evaluation of two major network strategies
 - 3 Selectboard Meetings, 1 Public Meeting
- Phase 2: Analysis of Existing and Future Conditions; Development of Transportation Network Goals & Objectives
 - Task 1: Analysis of existing conditions; development of performance measures
 - Task 2: Establish goals and objectives
 - Task 3: Future year performance
- *Phase 3: Develop and evaluate strategies*
- Phase 4: Develop Implementation Plan for Transportation Corridors
- Phase 5: Develop Transportation Management Plan

Modeling Process

CCRPC Regional Travel Demand Model

- Incorporate MTP Transportation Improvements, 2015-2035
- Incorporate Land Use Changes, 2015-2035
- Run 2010-2035



WENTS Study Area Microsimulation Model--Base Case

- Extract 2015 & 2035 "Travel Demand" for the WENTS Study Area
- Incorporate 2015 and 2035 MTP and Core Transportation Improvements
- Run 2015 and 2035 for Base Case



WENTS Study Area Microsimulation Model--Scenarios, "Hybrid Strategy Packages"

- Incorporate Hybrid Strategy Package Transportation Improvements
- Run 2015 and 2035 HSPs
- Iterate as Necessary



Performance Measures for Scenario Comparison

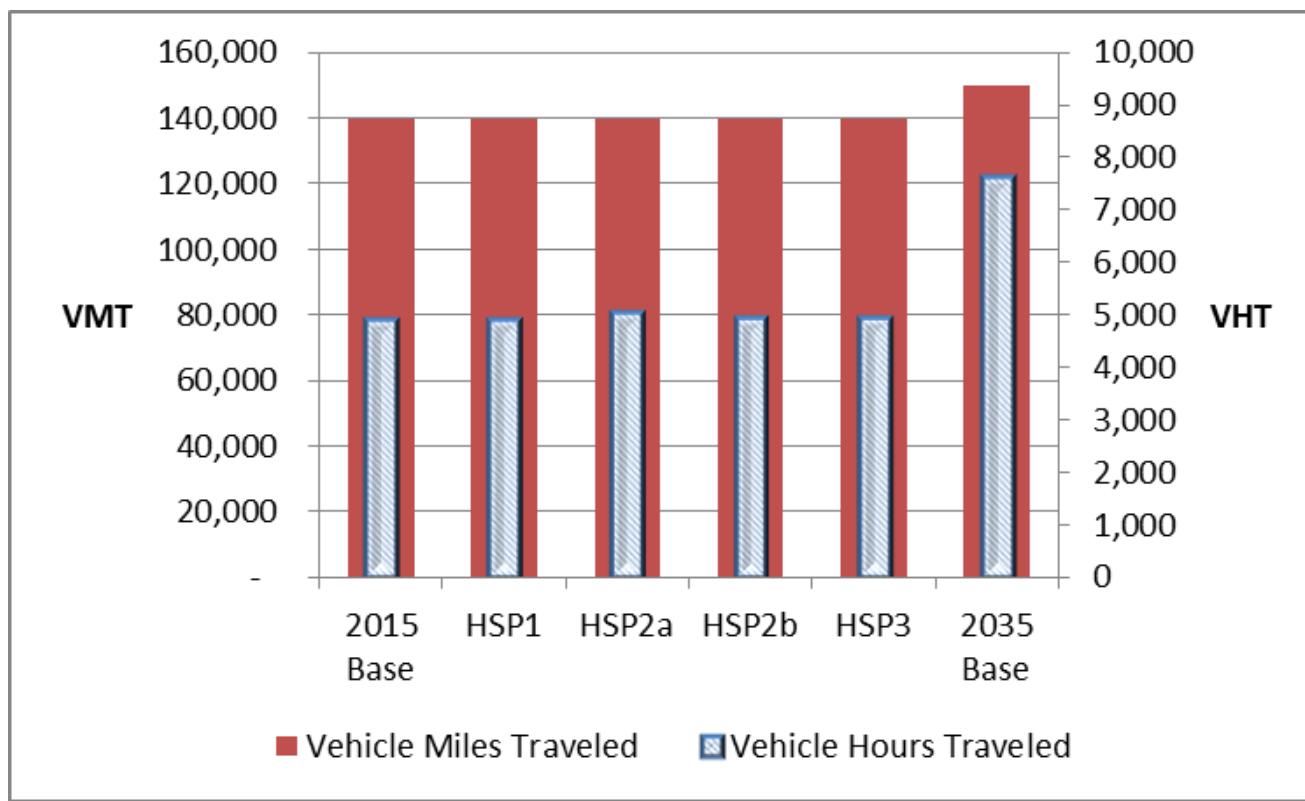
- Multimodal Performance Measures - Same Across All Scenarios
- System-Wide
 - Cumulative Intersection Stop Delay (Primary & Secondary Intersections)
 - Vehicle Hours Traveled
 - Total Vehicle GHG Emissions
- Vehicle Mobility Performance Measures
 - Corridor Travel Times
 - Intersection Metrics (Primary & Secondary Intersections)
 - Delay & LOS
 - V/C Ratios
 - Queues

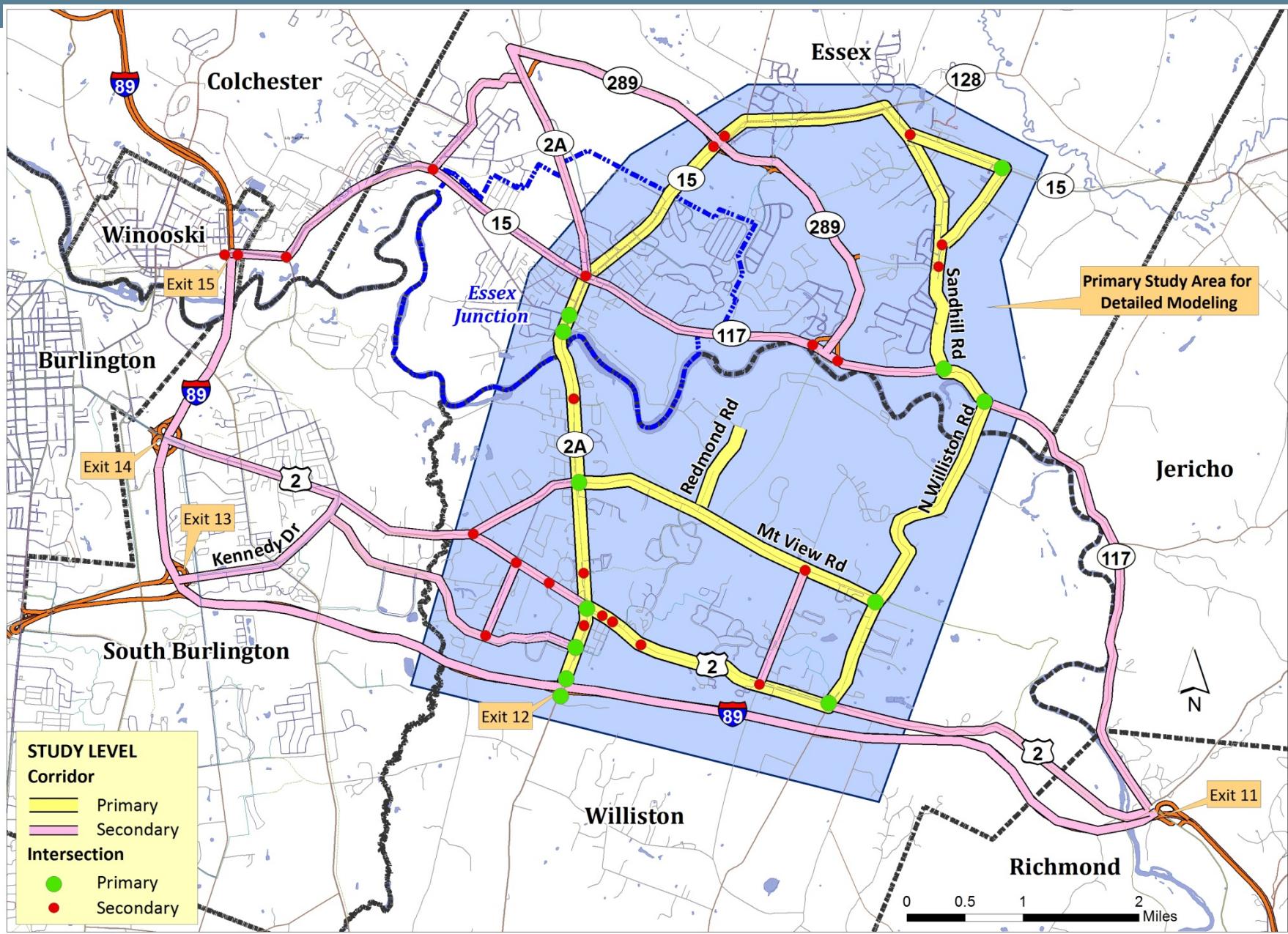
Tips and Requests

- There is A LOT(!) of information...
- Considerable effort invested in visualizing model output...
- Absolute magnitudes of measures are less important than relative magnitudes...
- A network is vexing...fixing a problem in one area often moves the problem “downstream”.
- There will be reasonable requests for explanations and greater detail...
 - If we can answer, we'll provide answers today.
 - If we can't answer we'll provide answers following the meeting.

Scenarios Under Consideration Today

- 2015 Base Case
 - 2015 Hybrid Strategy Package 1
 - 2015 Hybrid Strategy Package 2
 - 2015 Hybrid Strategy Package 3
 - 2035 Base Case
- Strategy Package Description
 - Network-Wide Performance Measures
 - Corridor Traffic Volumes
 - Intersection Performance
 - Corridor Travel Times

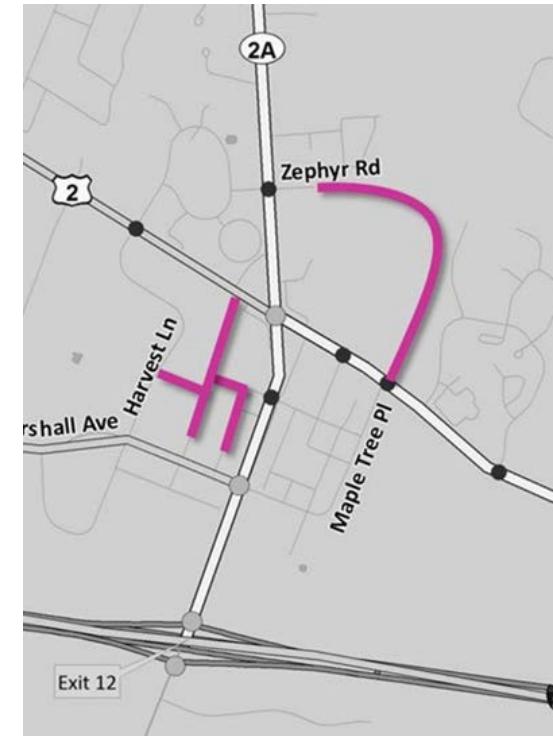






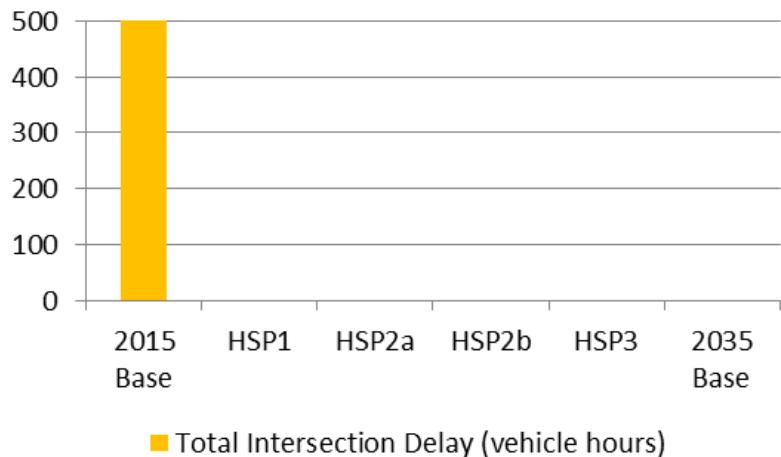
2015 Base Case - Core Improvements

- Smart Corridor Applications/Traffic Operations Center
- Williston Grid Streets
- Essex Town Center Connections
- Addressing discontinuities and deficiencies to sidewalks, paths, and shoulders
- Transit Improvements
 - Add a mid-day trip on the Williston Route weekdays
 - Weekday peak hour Jeffersonville-Burlington commuter route
- CIRC Alternatives Phase 1 implementation projects:
 - The Crescent Connector in Essex Junction
 - VT2A/James Brown Drive Signal (w/ VT2A LTLs)
 - VT117/ Sand Hill Rd. - Traffic Signal
- CIRC Alternatives Phase 2 implementation projects:
 - VT15/Sand Hill Road Intersection improvements, Essex
 - VT15 Improvements - Post Office Square to 5-Corners, Essex Junction
 - VT15 Multiuse Path, Winooski, Colchester, Essex, and Essex Junction

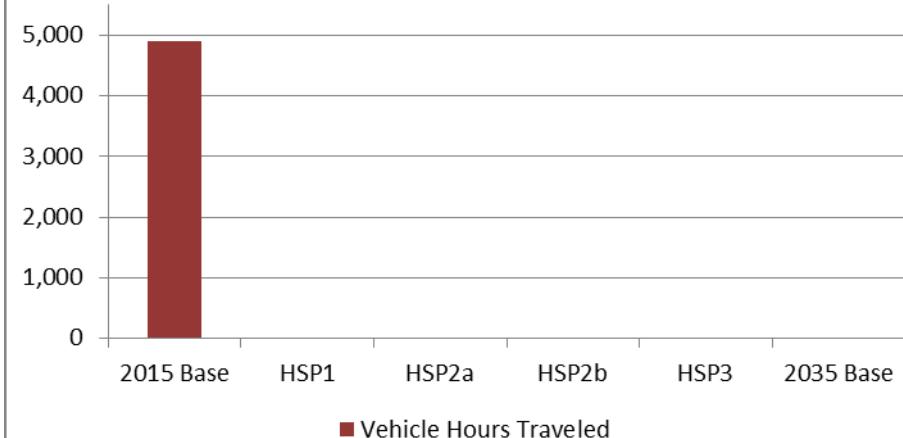


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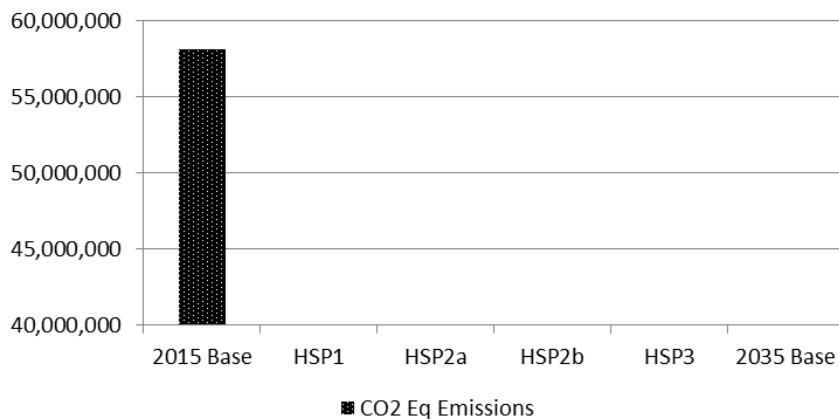
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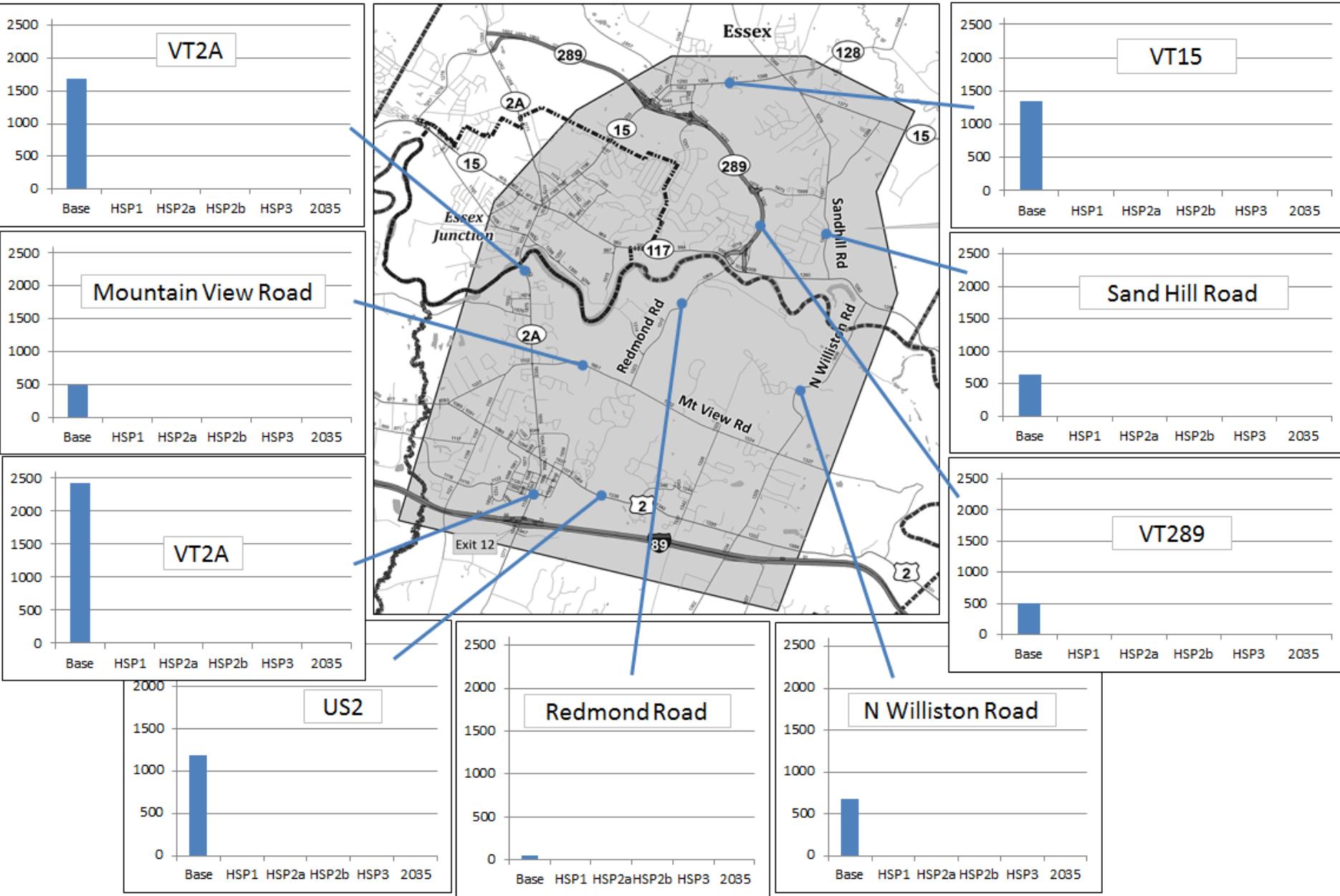
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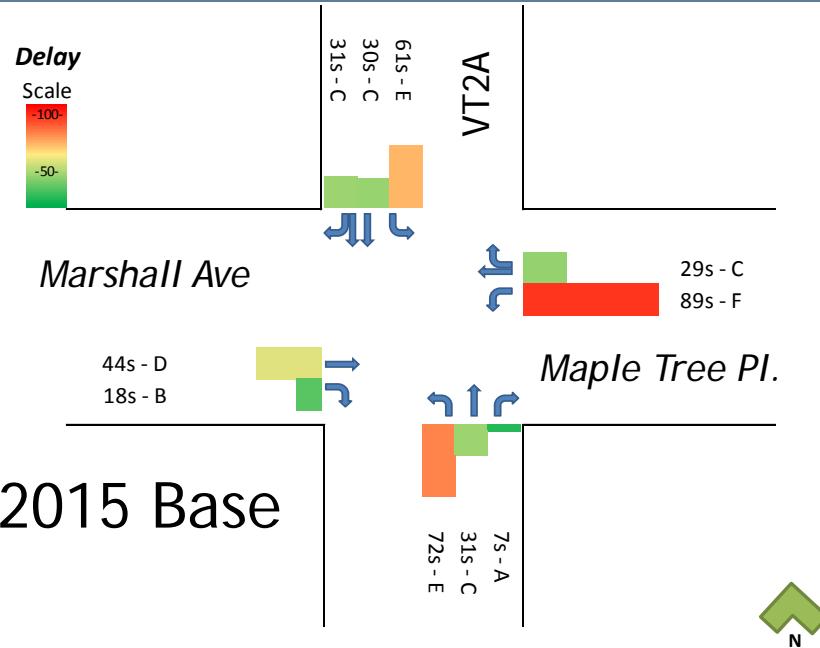
Traffic Flows: 2015 Base Case



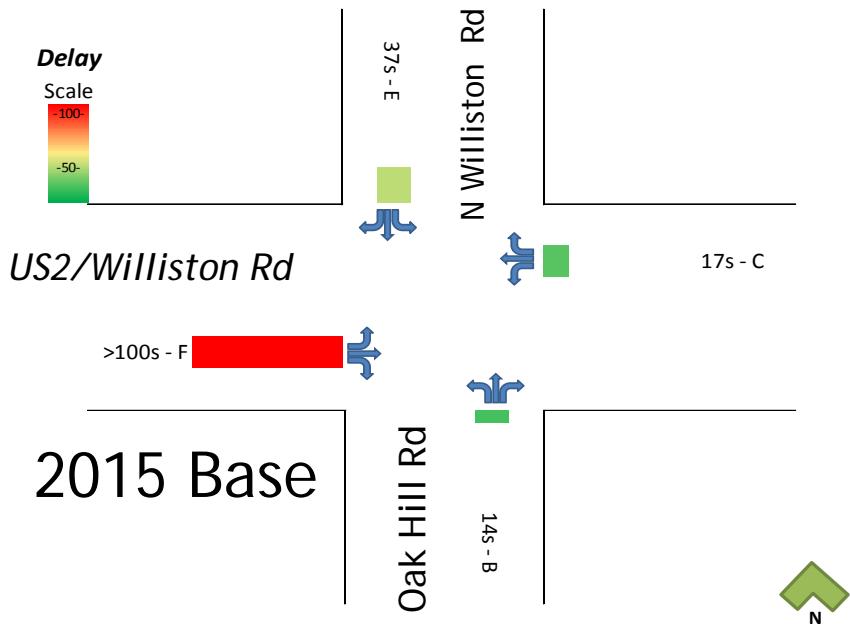
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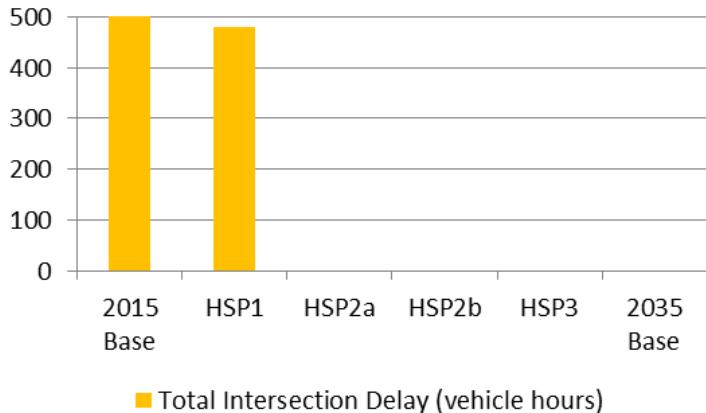
Hybrid Strategy Package 1 (HSP1)

1. Redmond Road Connector (new bridge)
2. Connect Allen Martin Parkway to VT289
3. Capacity Improvements:
 1. Industrial / Mountain View / VT2A
 2. Redmond /Mountain View intersection - signal

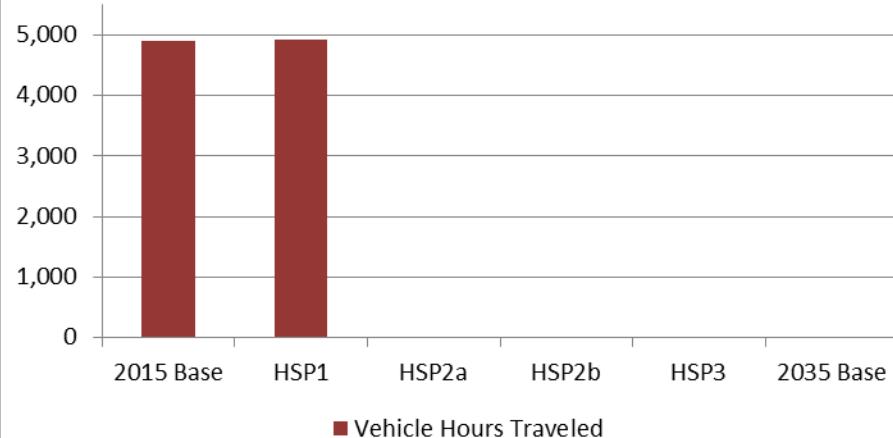
Estimated Cost for HSP1: \$ 49-73 million

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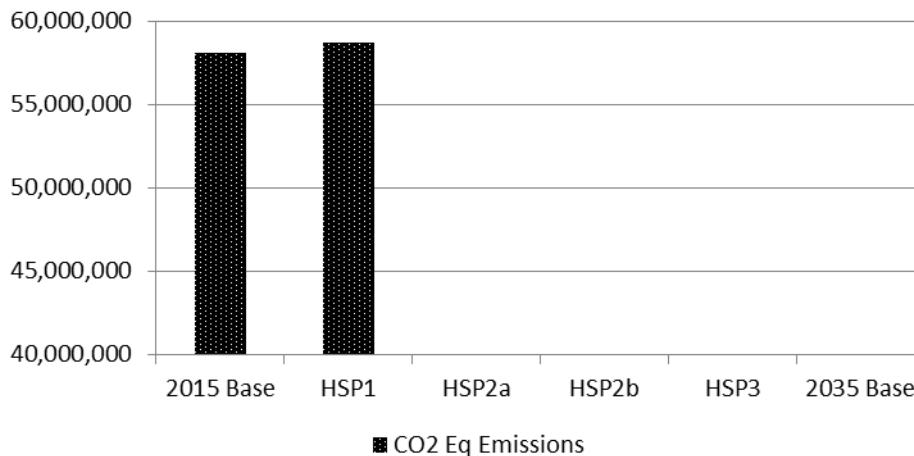
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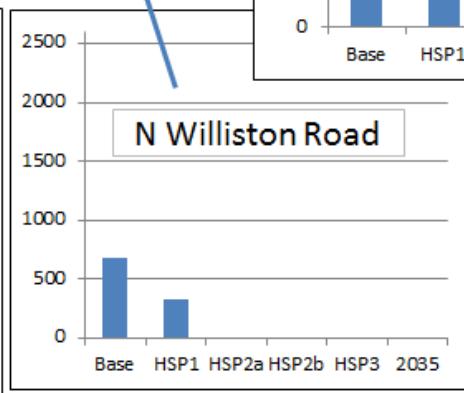
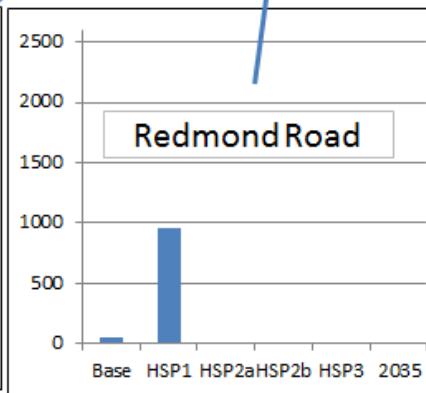
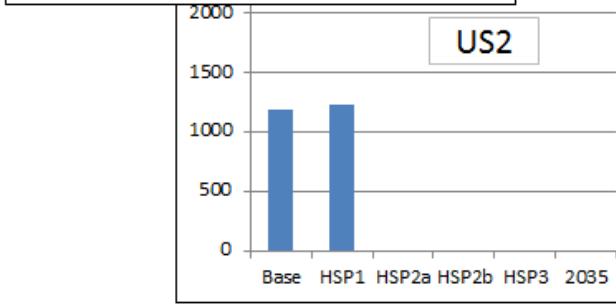
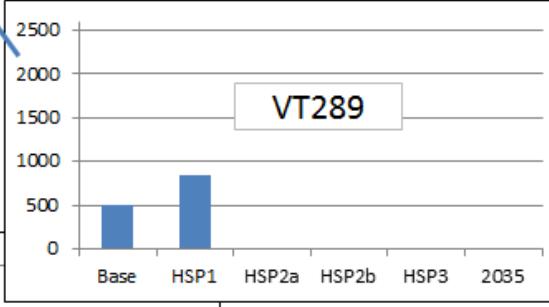
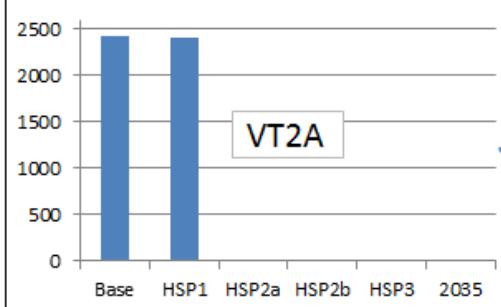
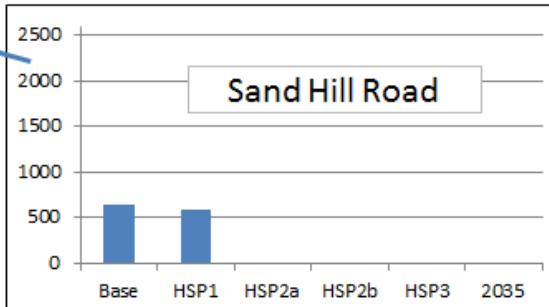
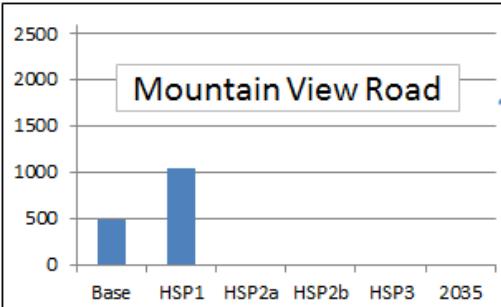
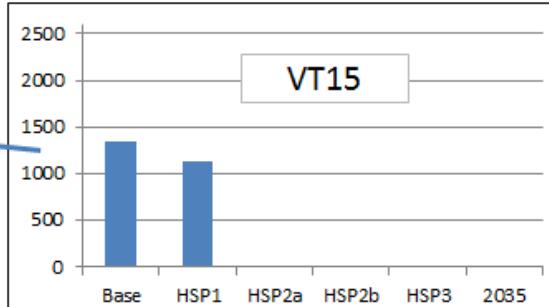
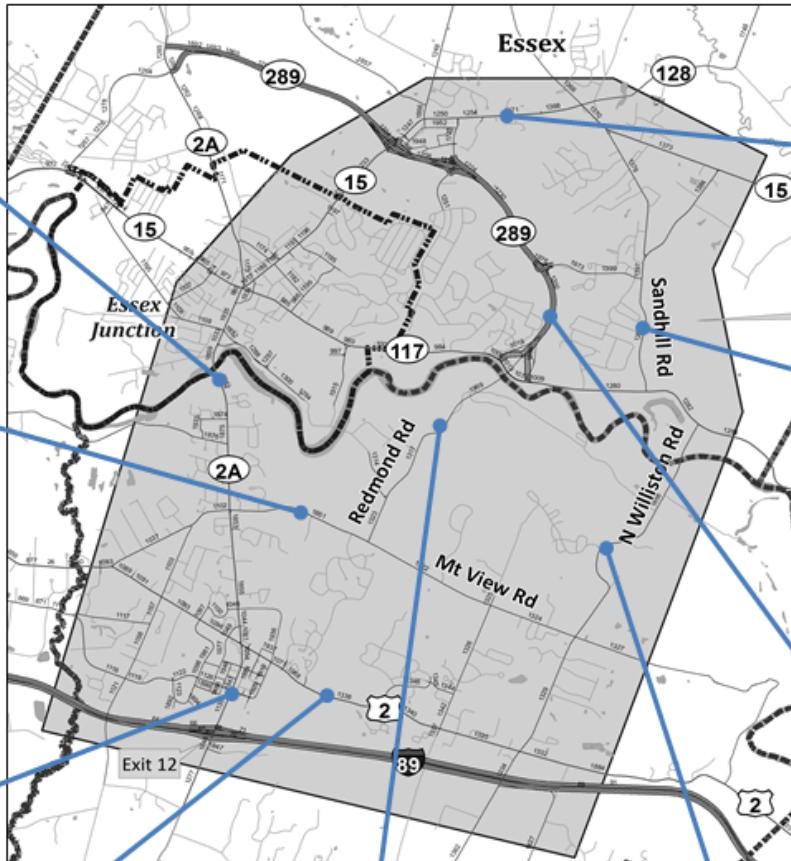
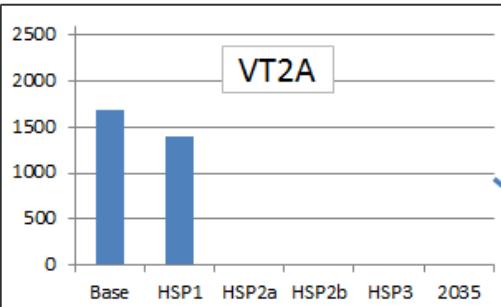
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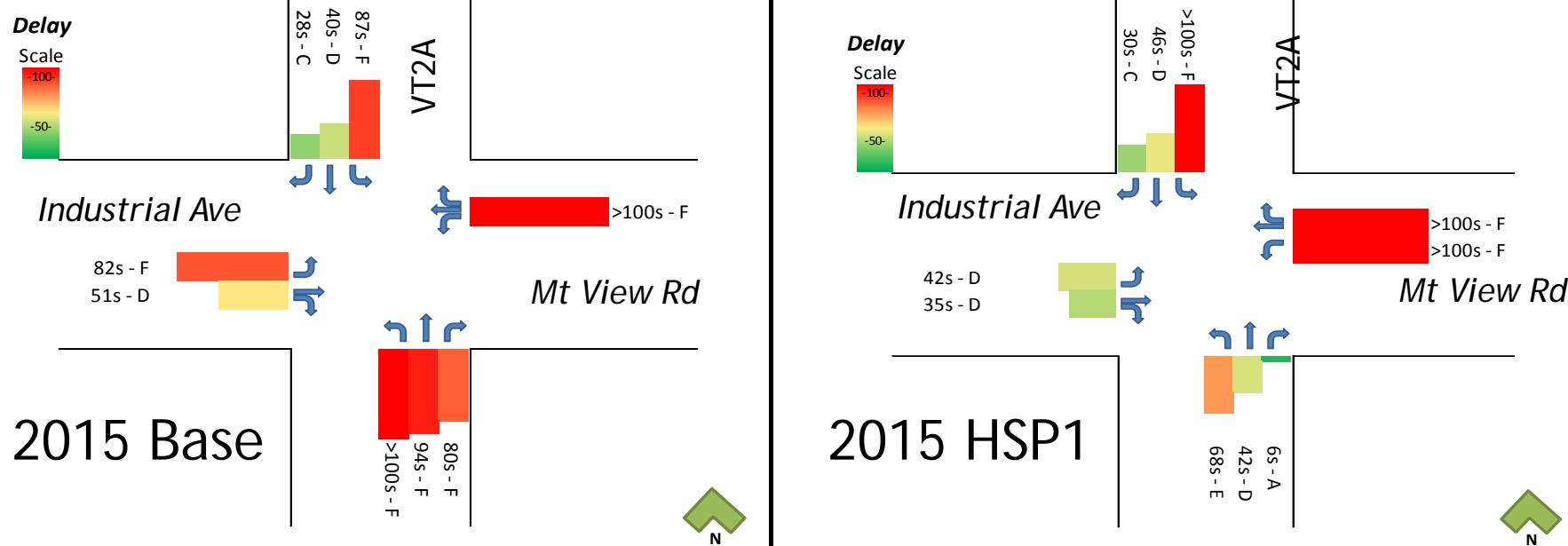
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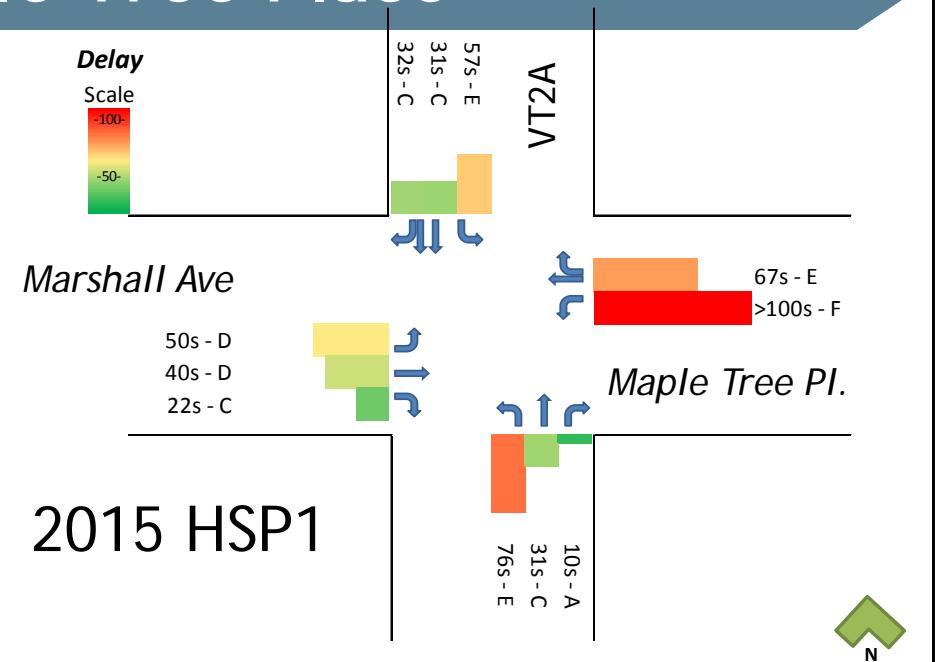
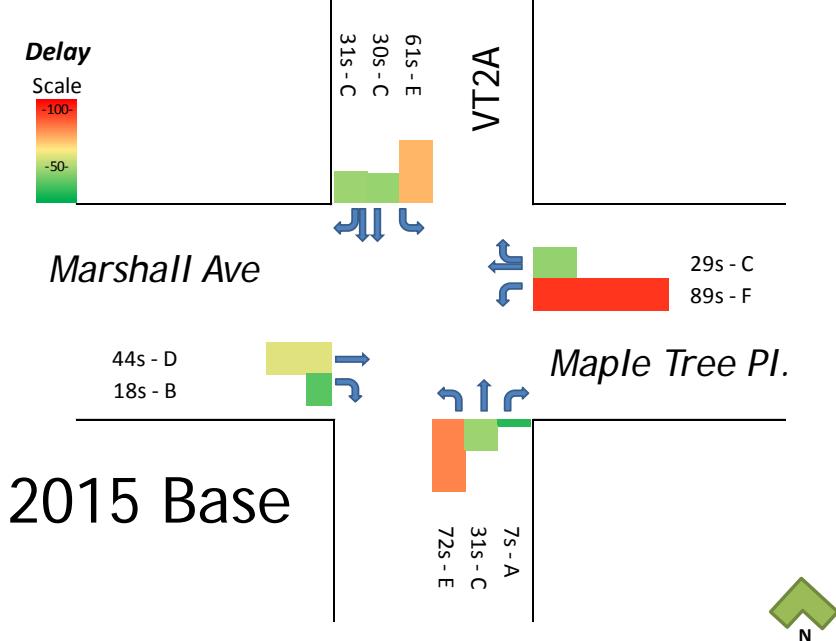
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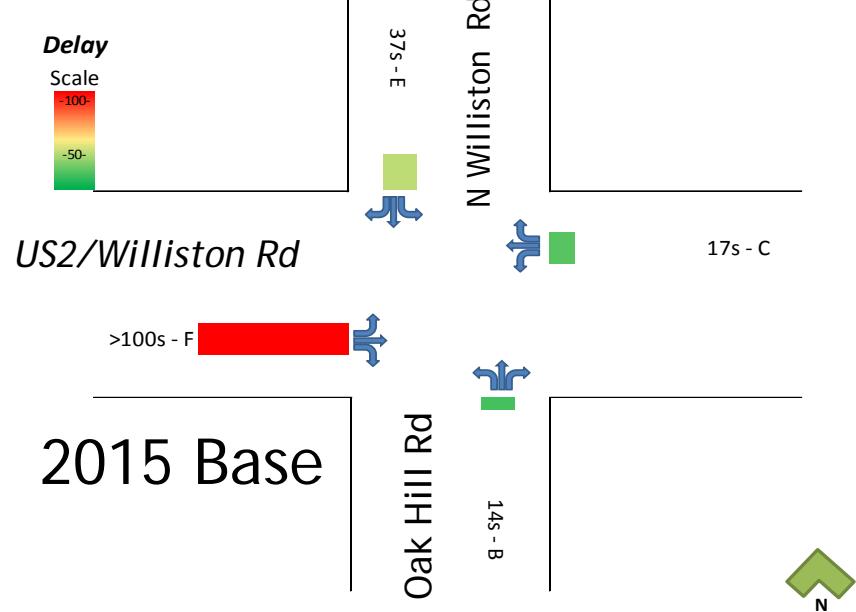
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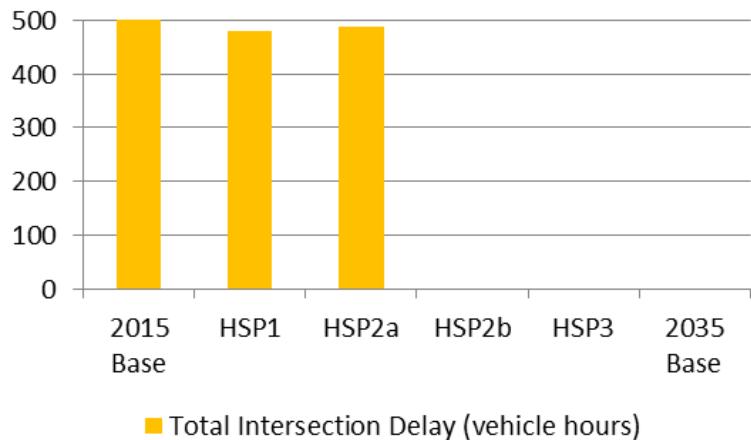
Capacity Improvements

1. Towers Rd / VT 128/ VT 15
2. N. Williston Road/US 2/Oak Hill Road - roundabout
3. N. Williston Road/VT117
4. Industrial / Mountain View / VT2A
5. VT2A/Marshall Avenue
6. New northbound LT lane at Exit 12

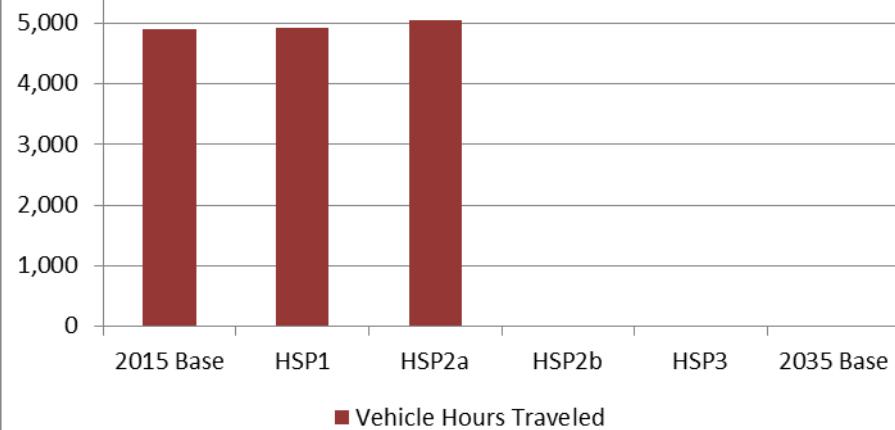
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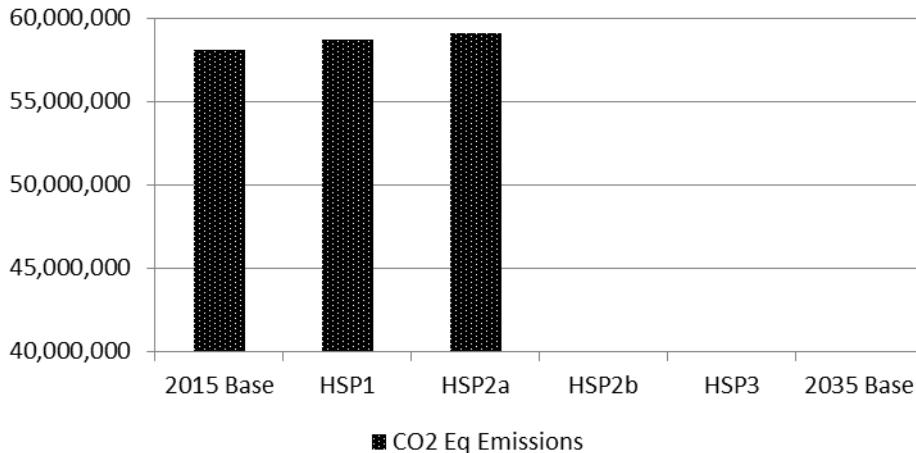
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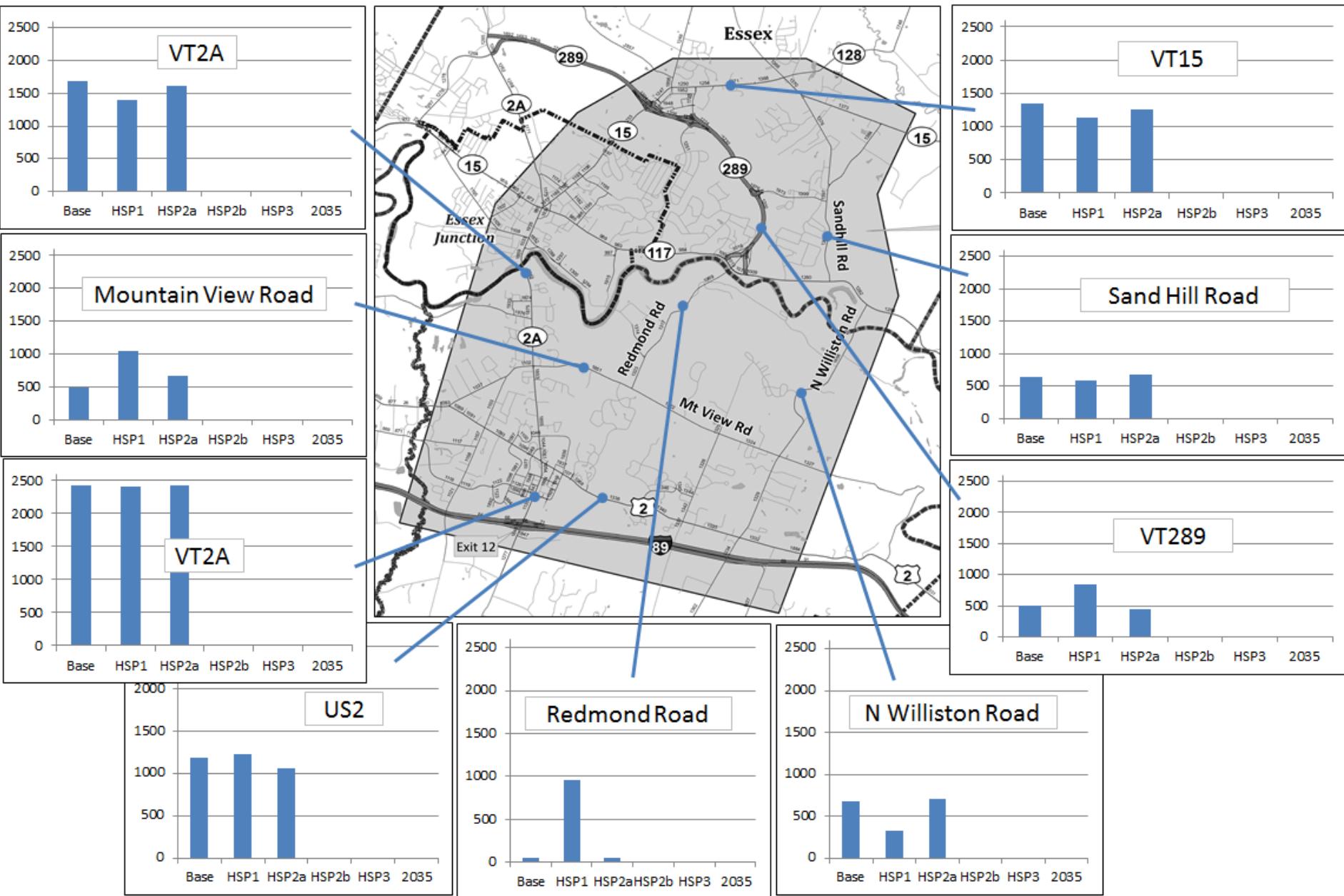
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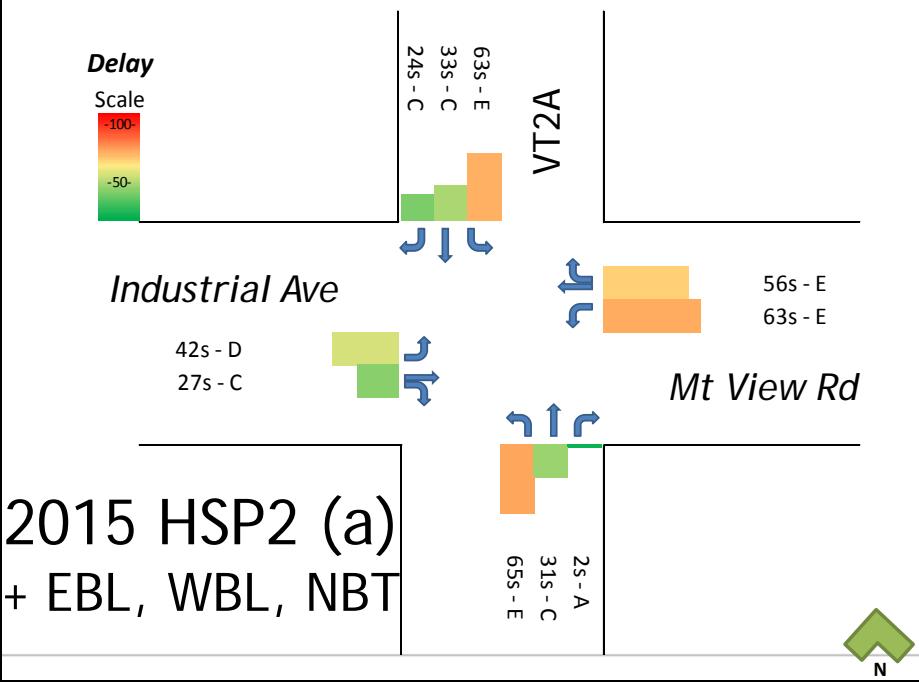
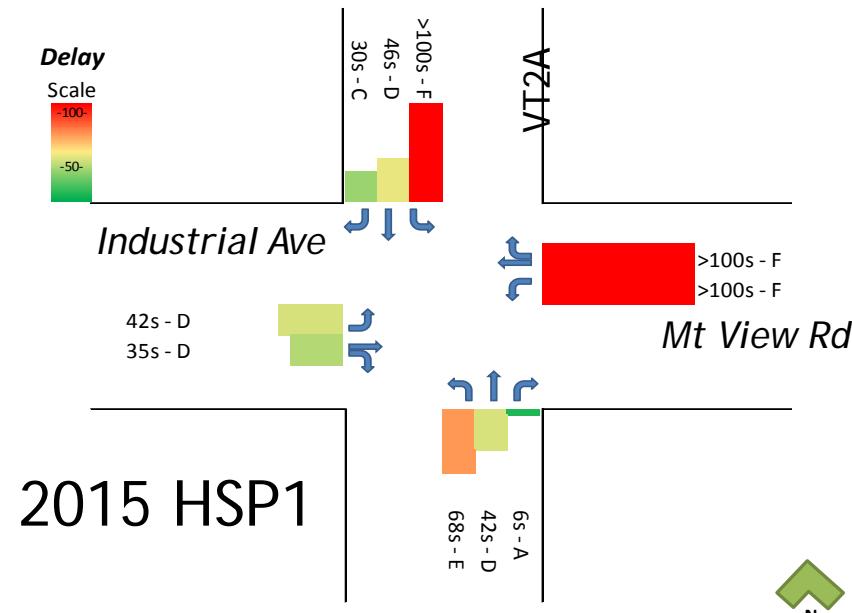
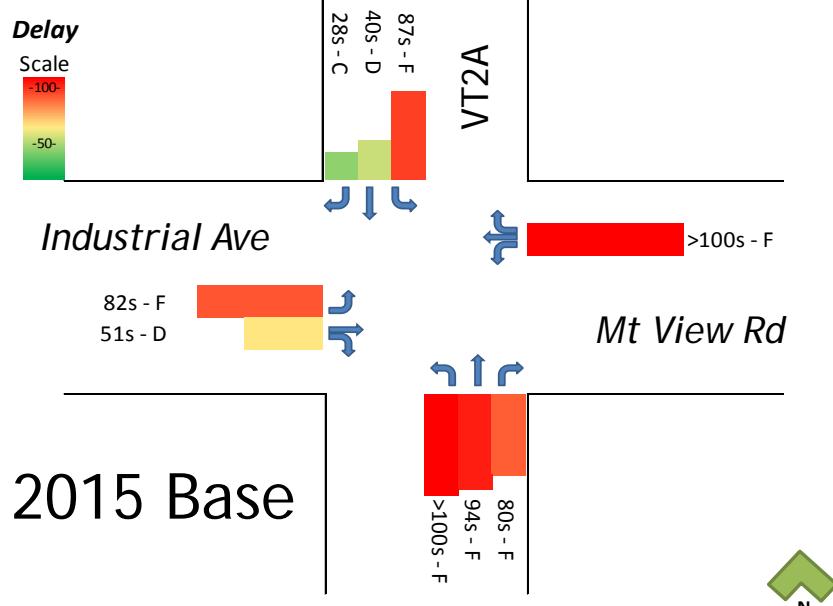
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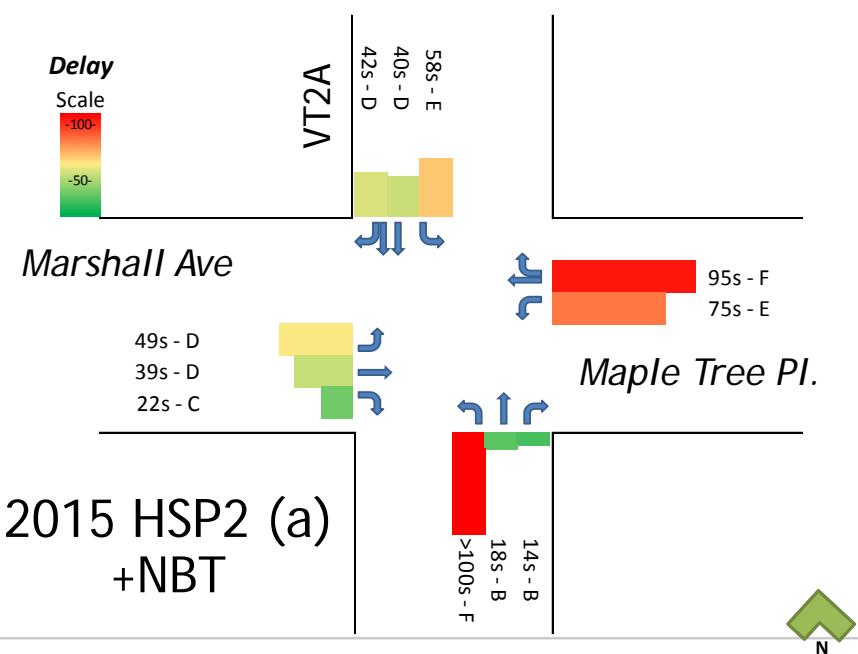
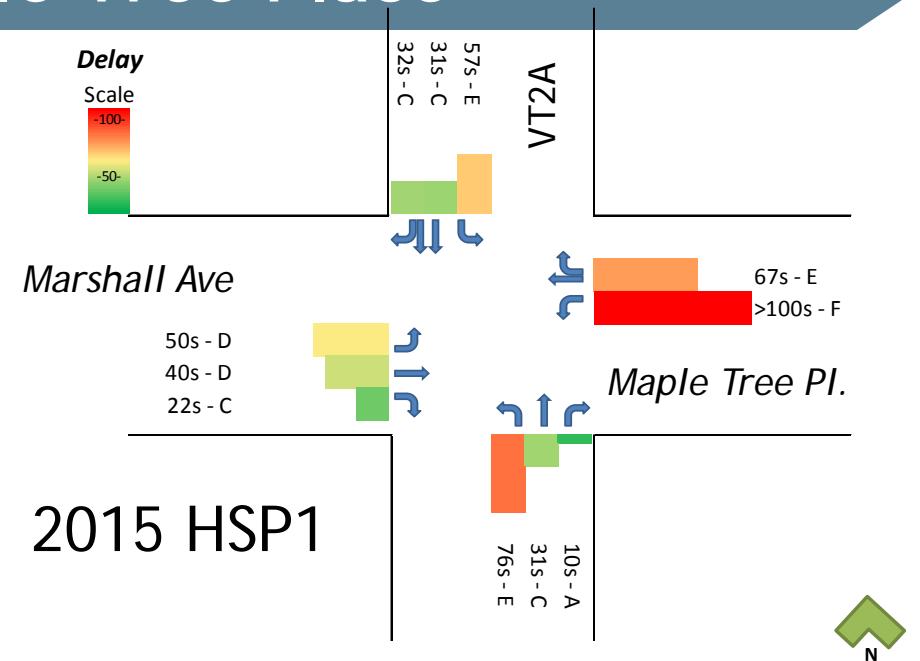
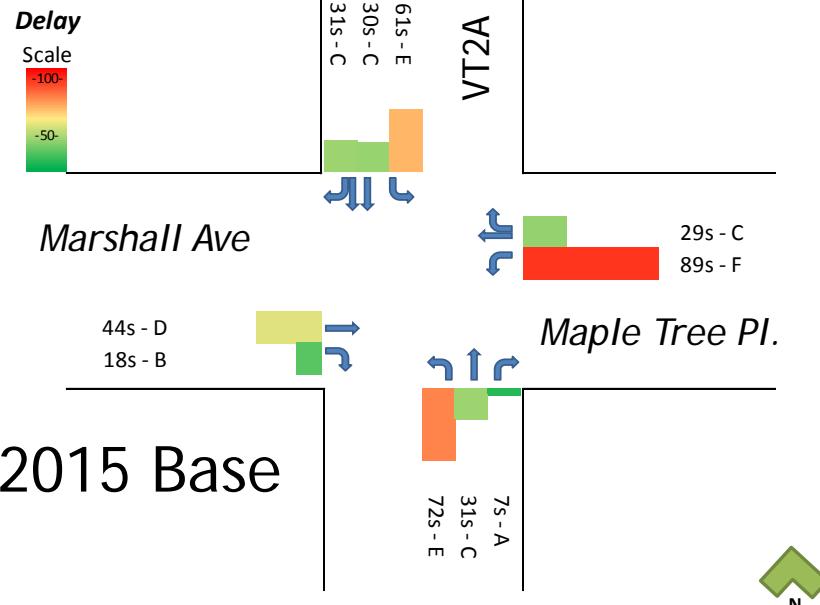
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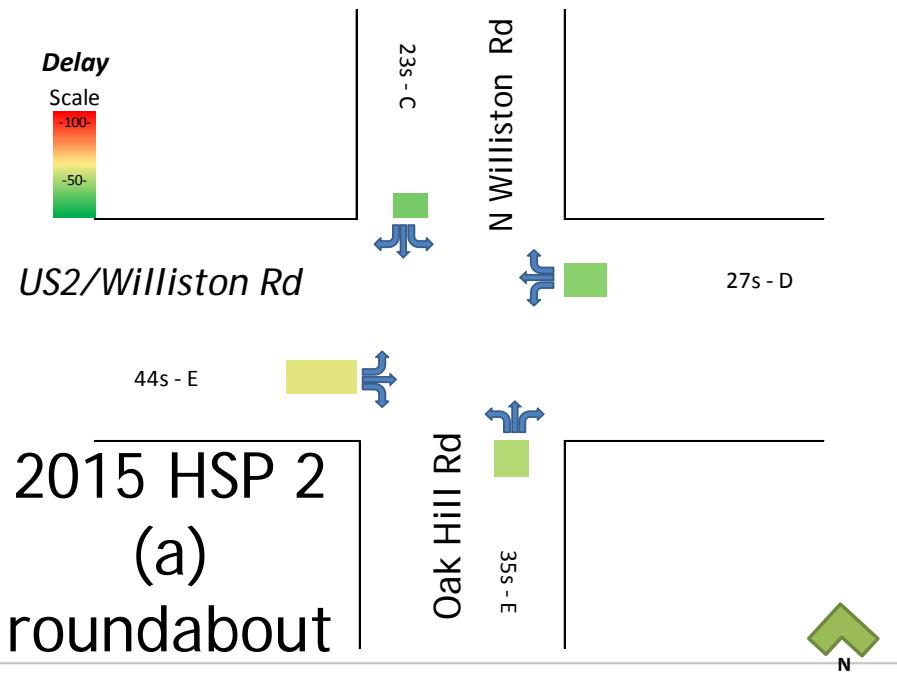
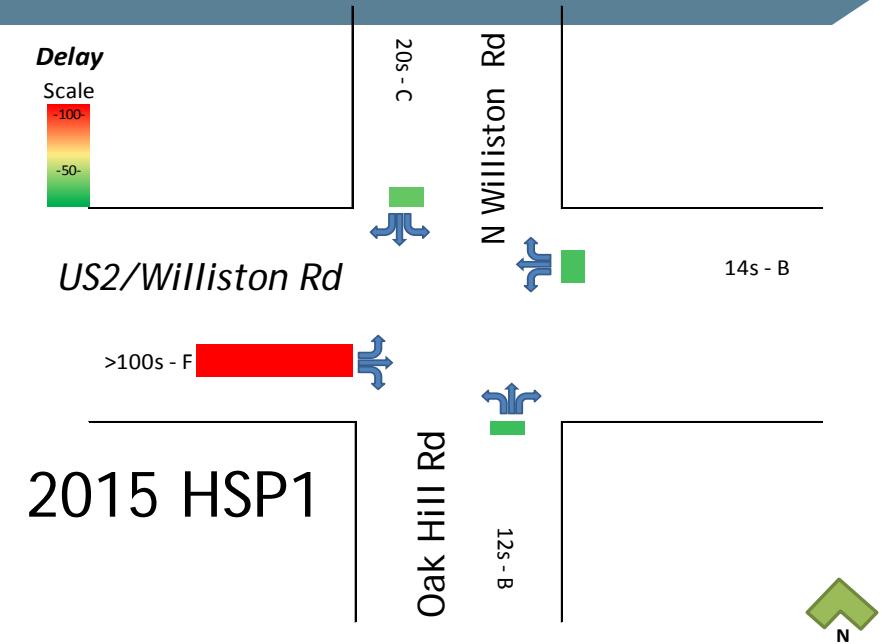
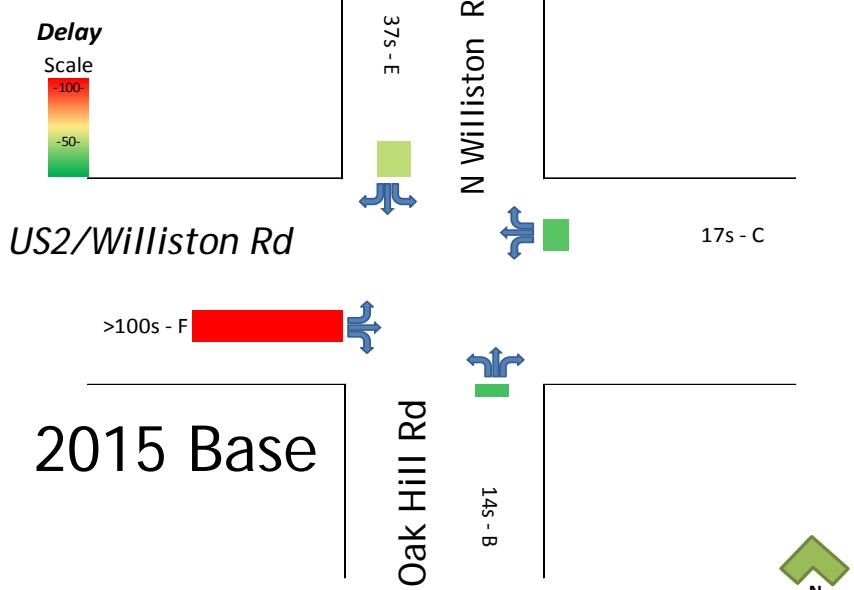
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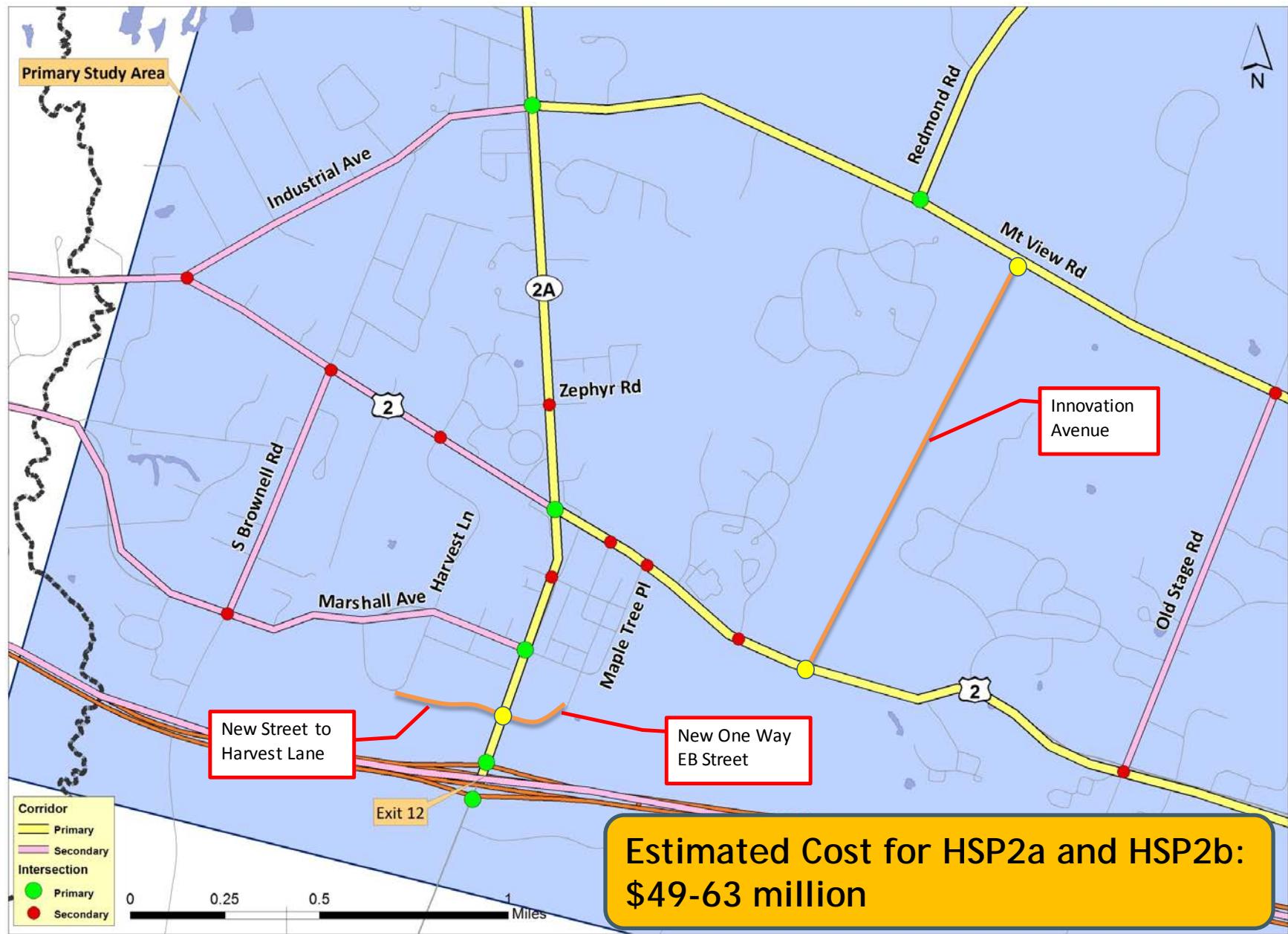
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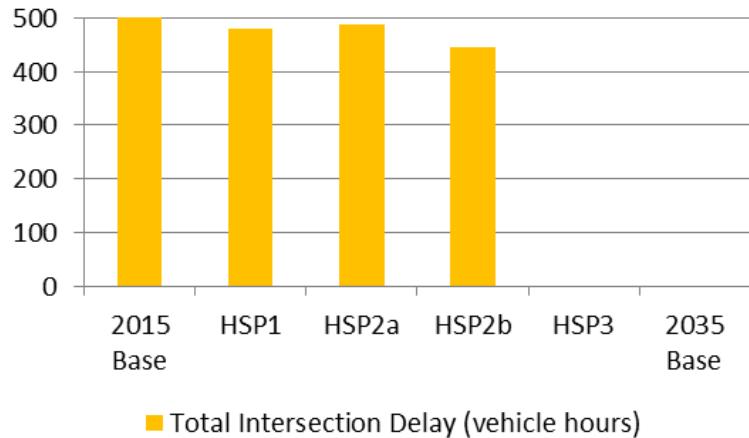


Hybrid Strategy Package 2b - New Streets

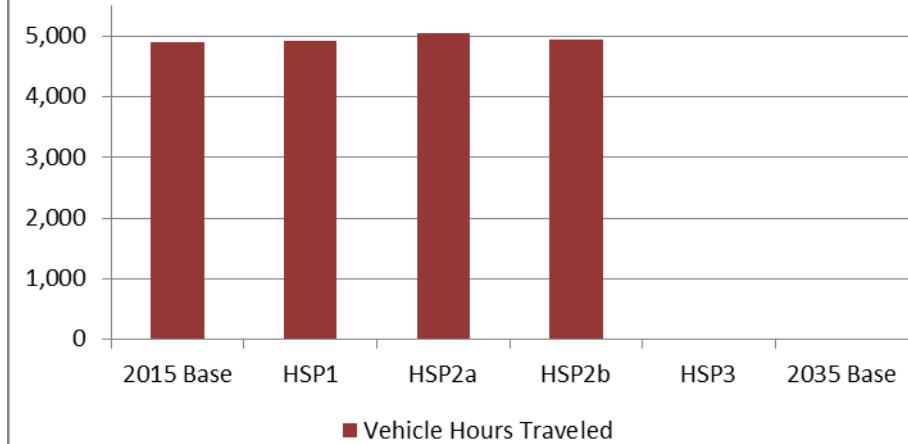


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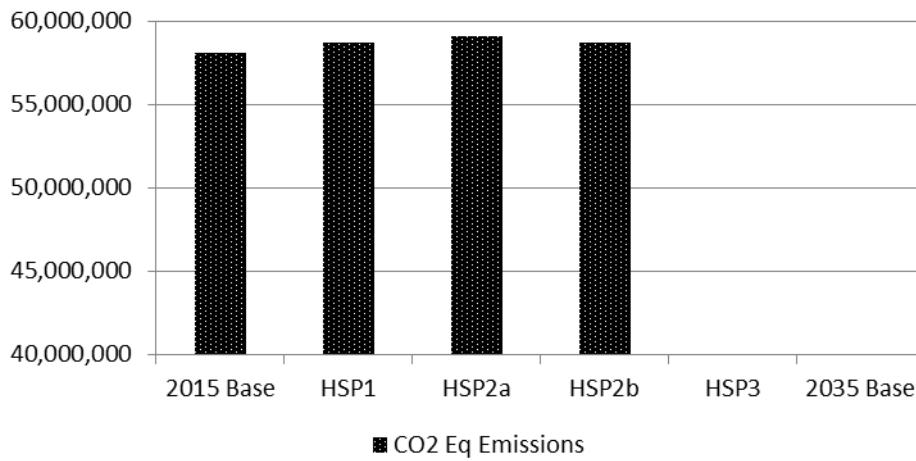
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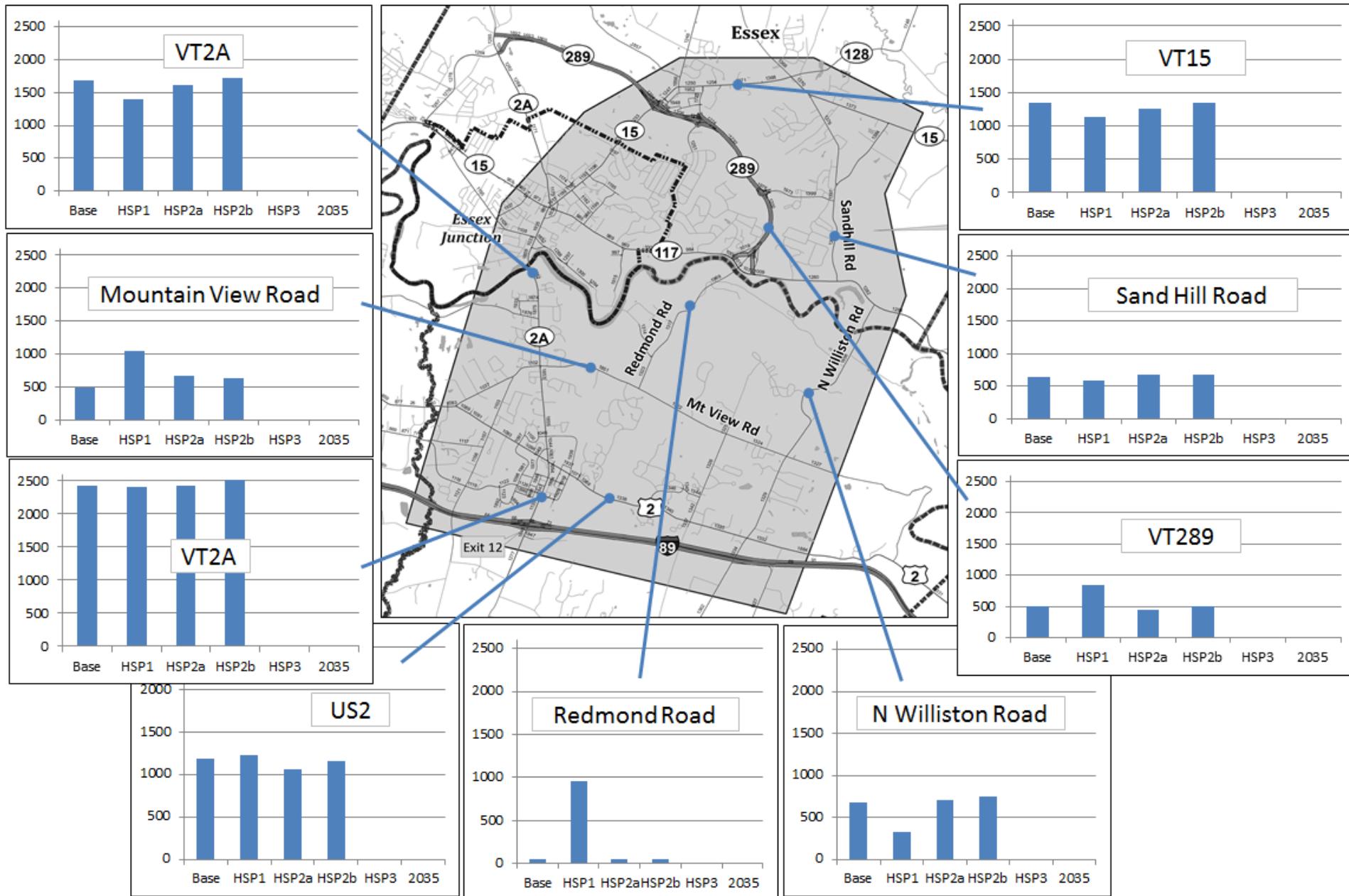
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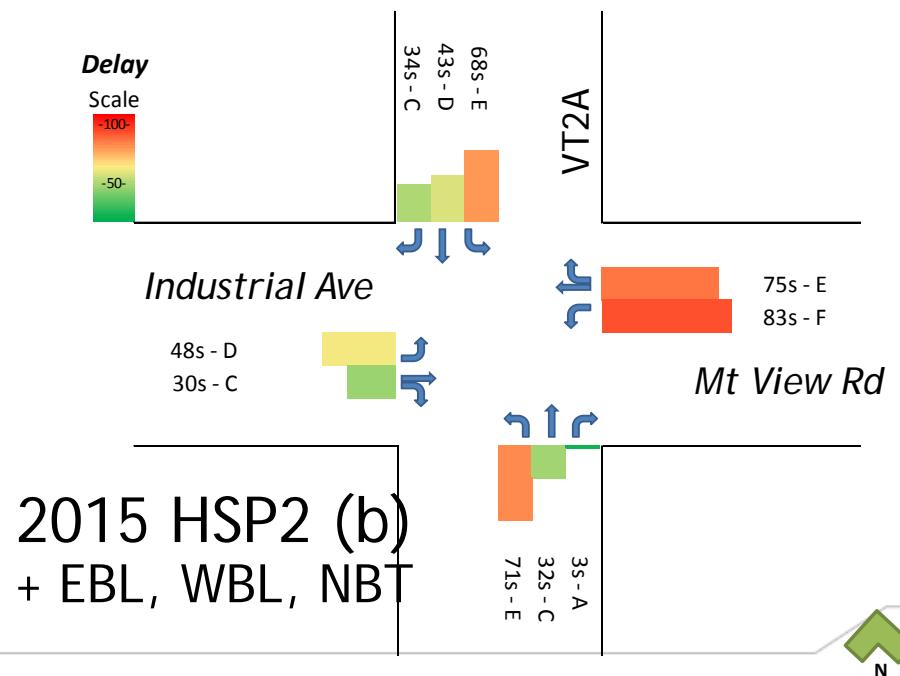
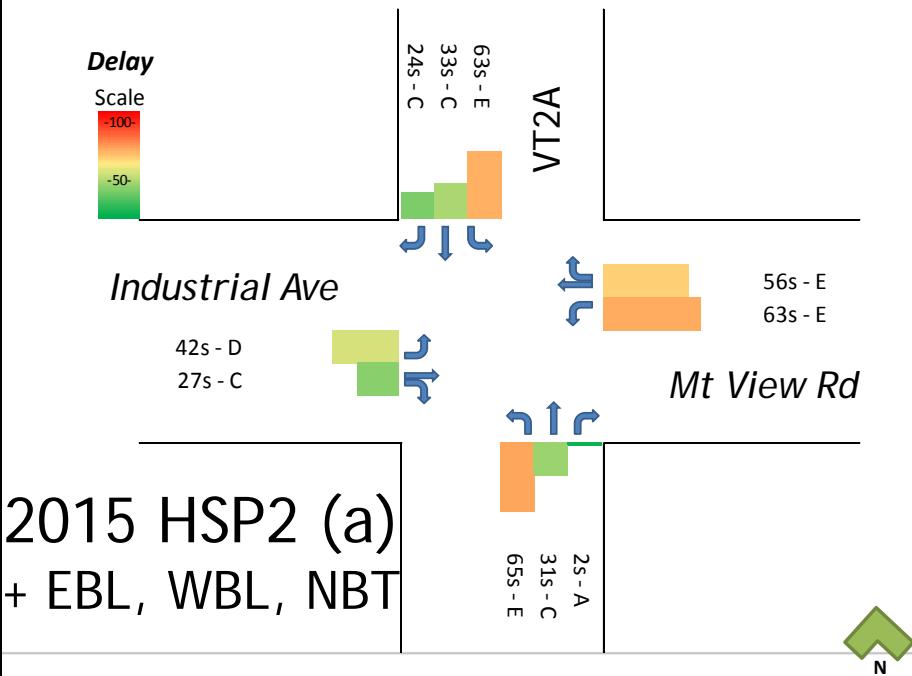
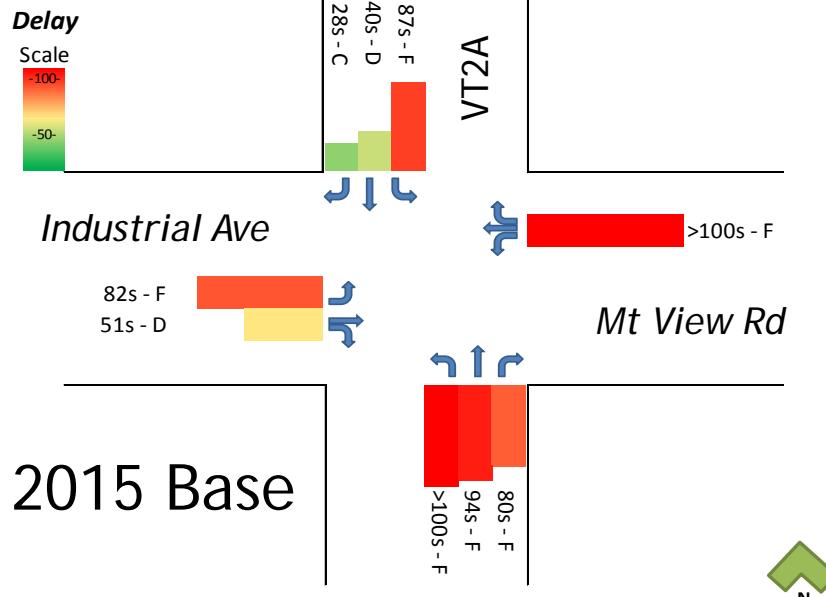
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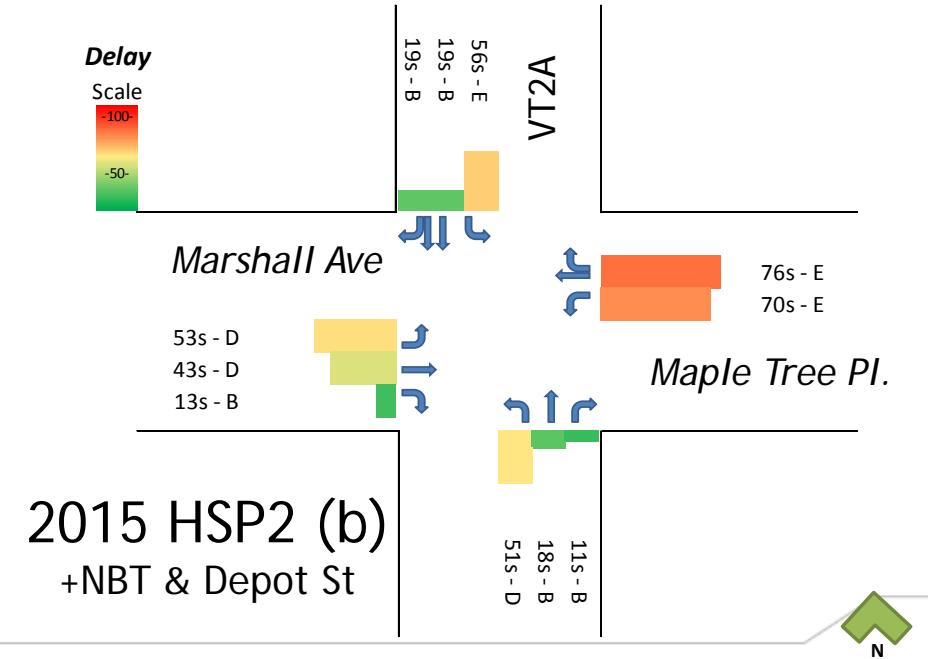
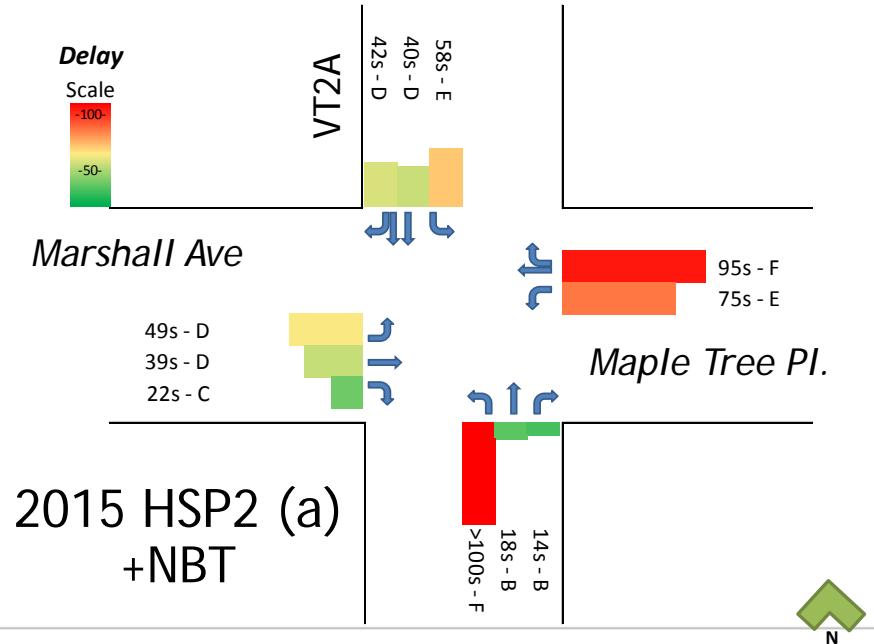
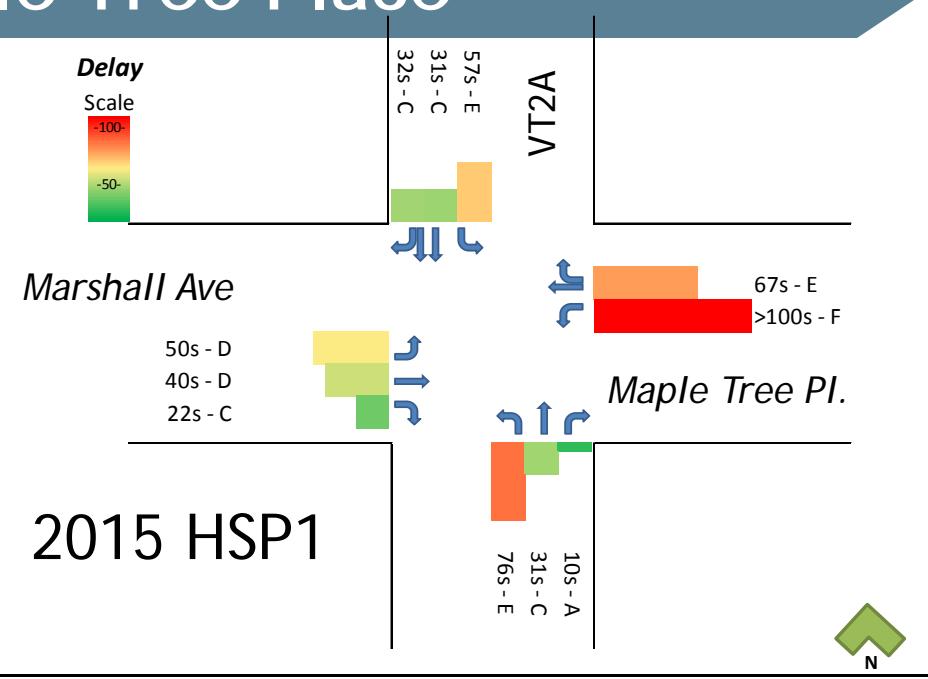
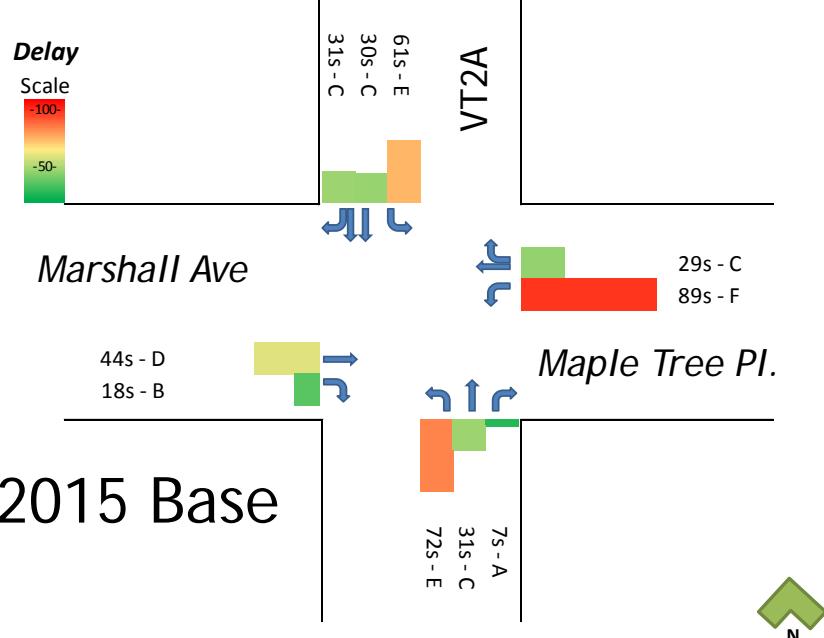
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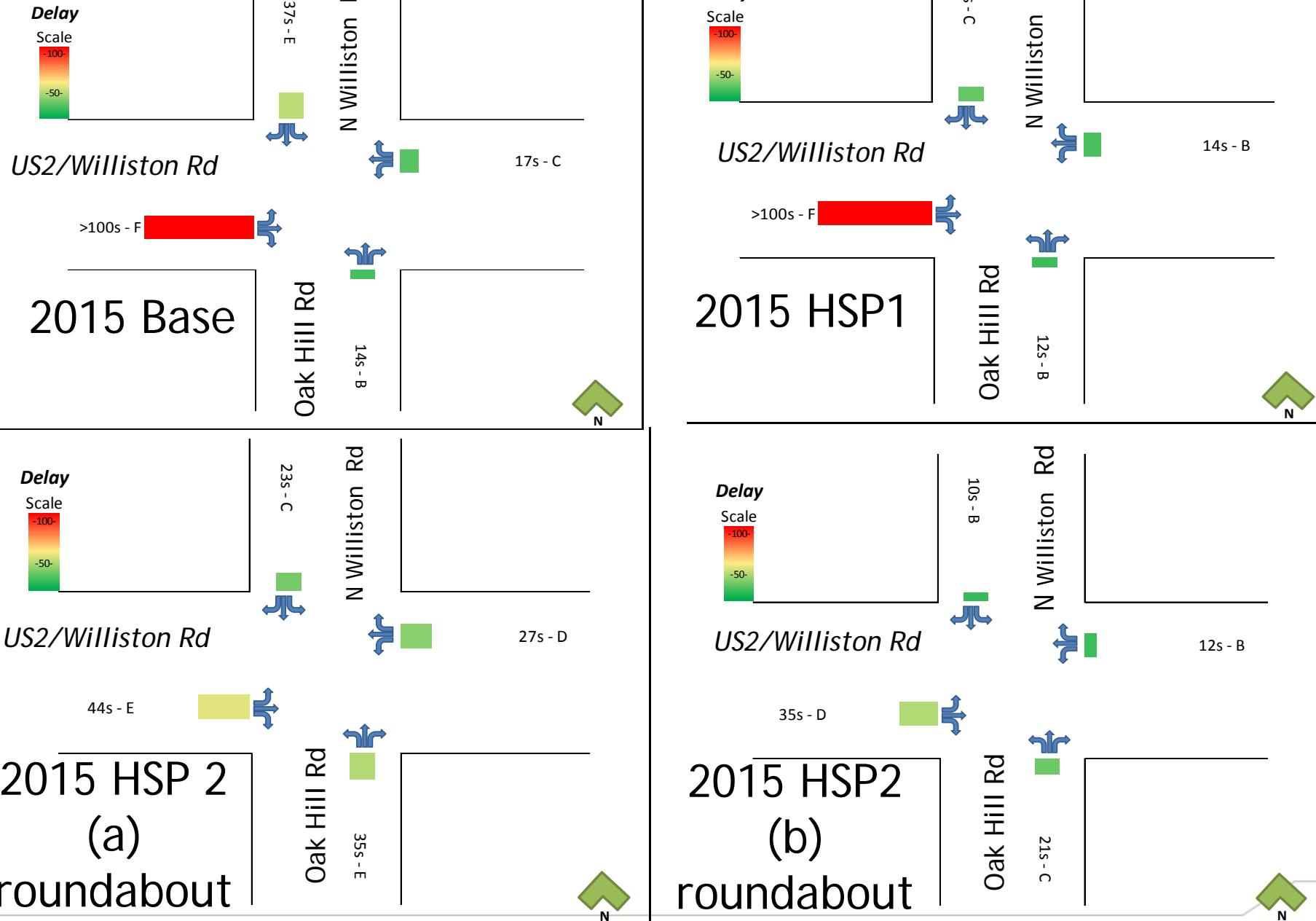
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Hybrid Strategy Package 3 (HSP3)

Rebuild the VT2A Corridor from Exit 12 to the Winooski River bridge:

1. Capacity Improvements

- i. At Marshall add NB thru lane to Taft Corners (US2)
- ii. Marshall Avenue / Maple Tree Place - 2nd west bound thru lane
- iii. Industrial/Mountain View/VT2A - 2nd NB thru lane, 2nd EB left turn lane & add WB left turn lane
- iv. Exit 12 - add NB left @ NB ramps

2. Add LTLs at all intersections from Industrial/Mountain View to the bridge

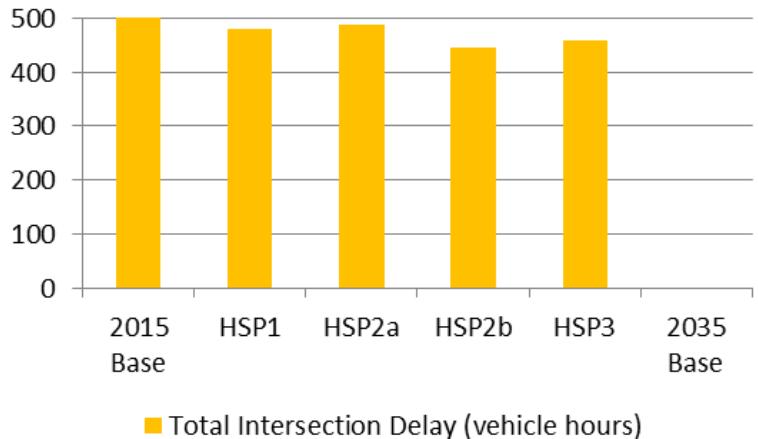
3. New Grid Streets

- i. Connect VT 2A (at the state police barracks) to Harvest Lane near Home Depot
- ii. Connect VT2A through state police barracks to the roundabout in Maple Tree Place

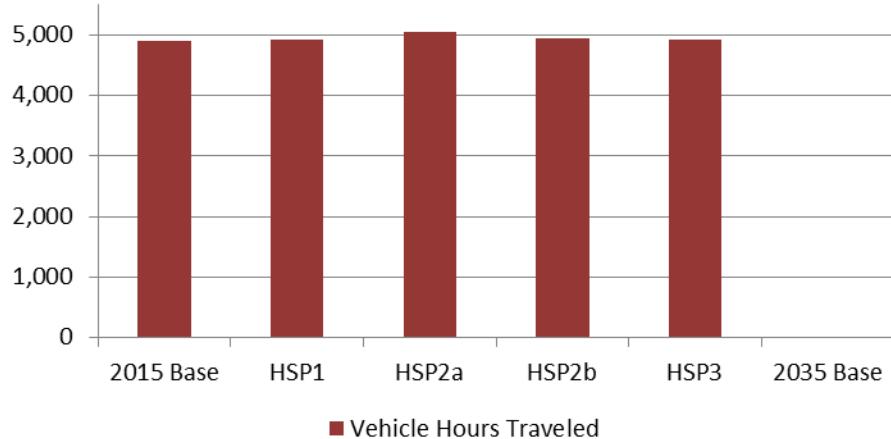
Estimated Cost for HSP3: \$32-43 million

Performance Measures for HSP3

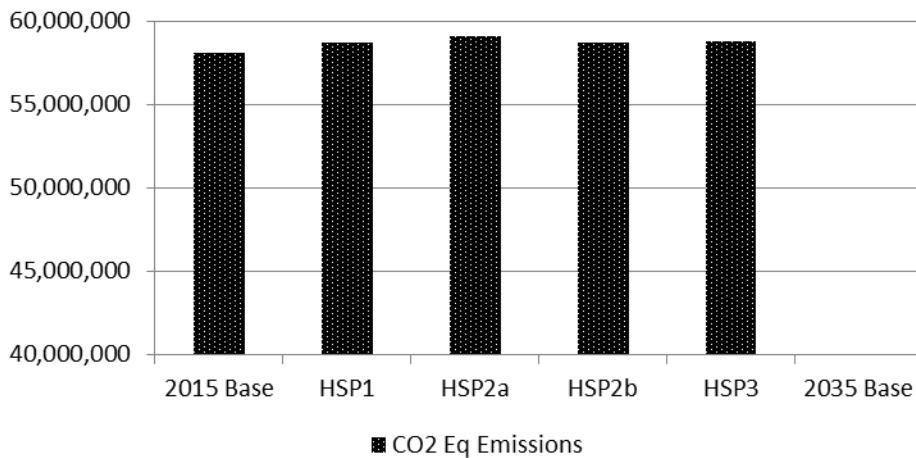
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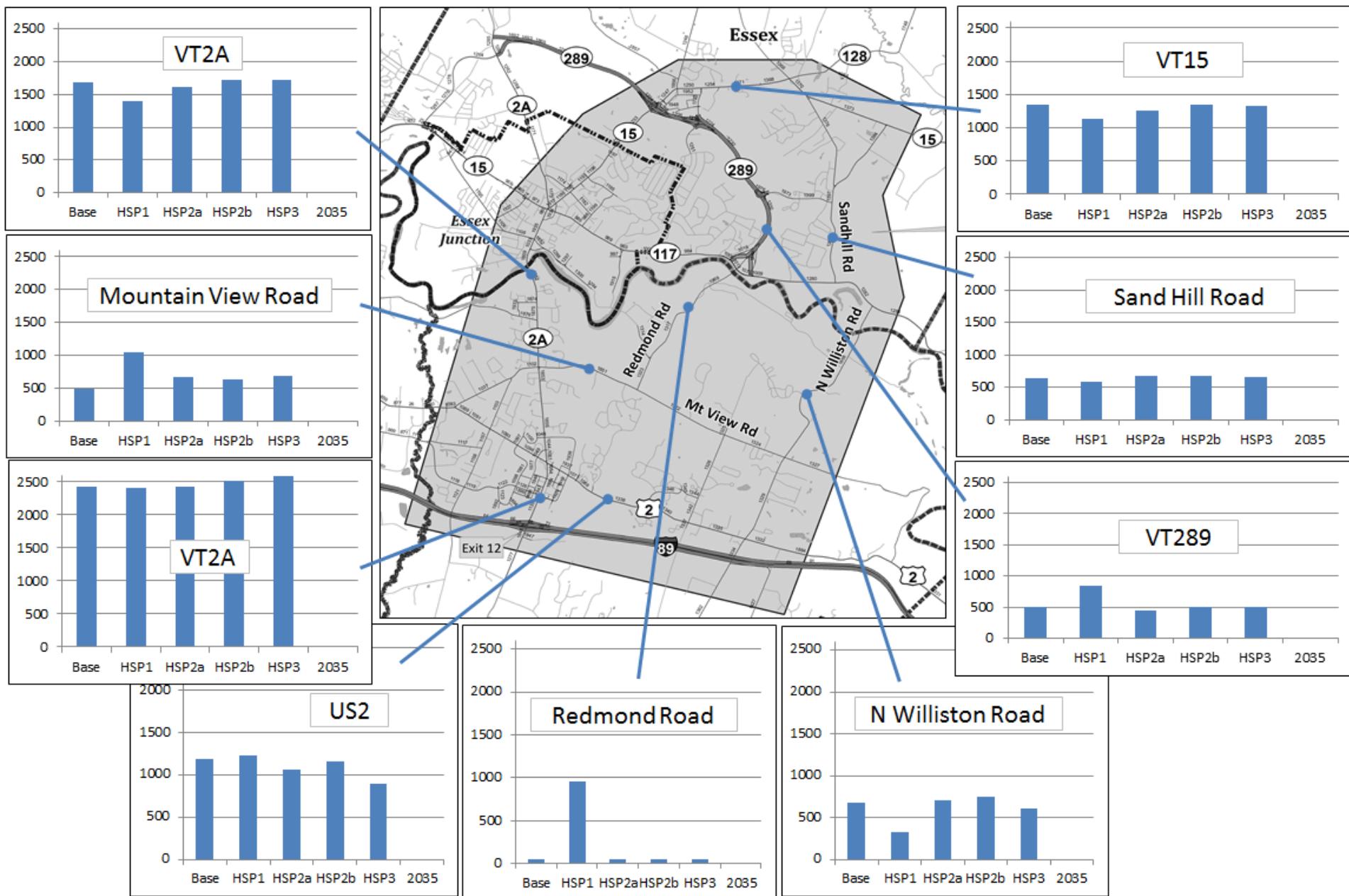
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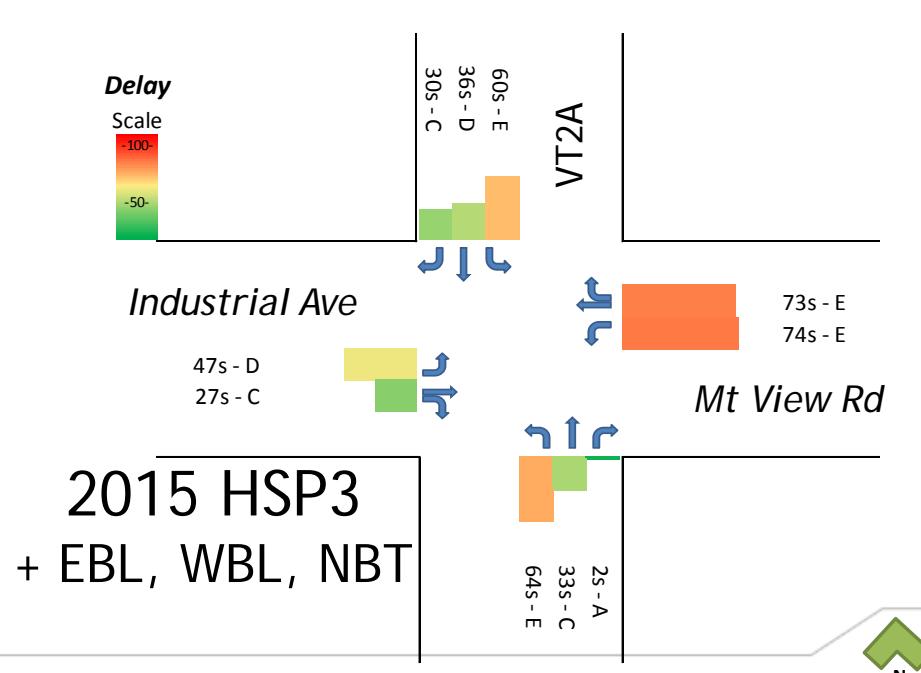
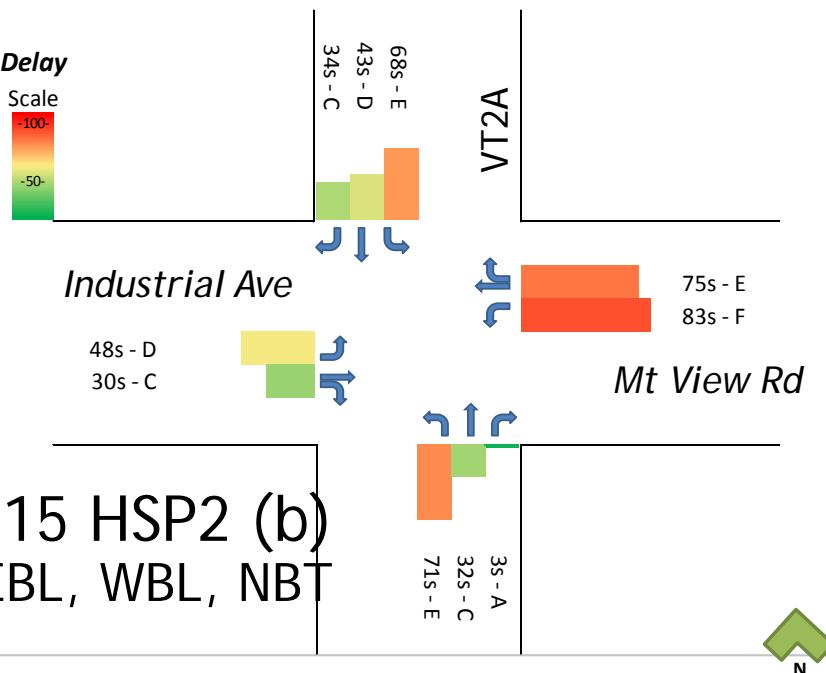
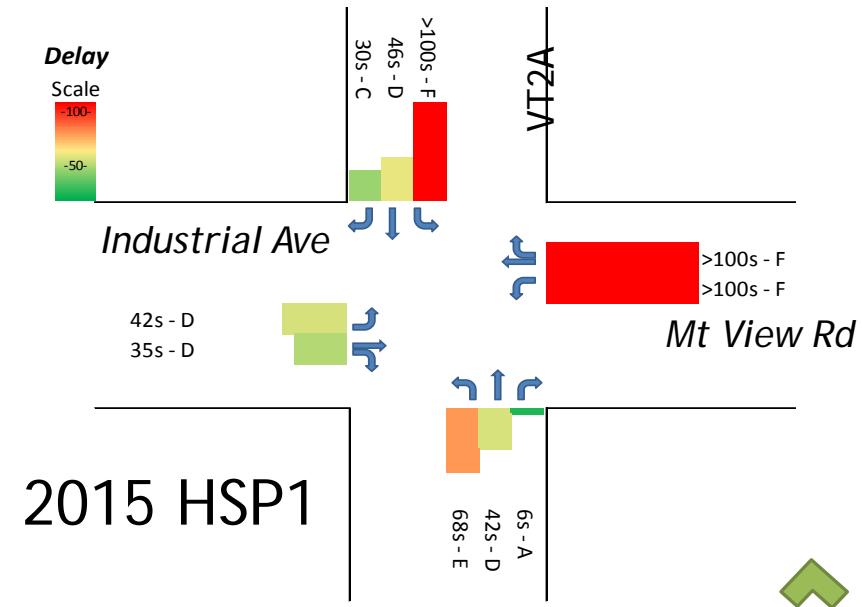
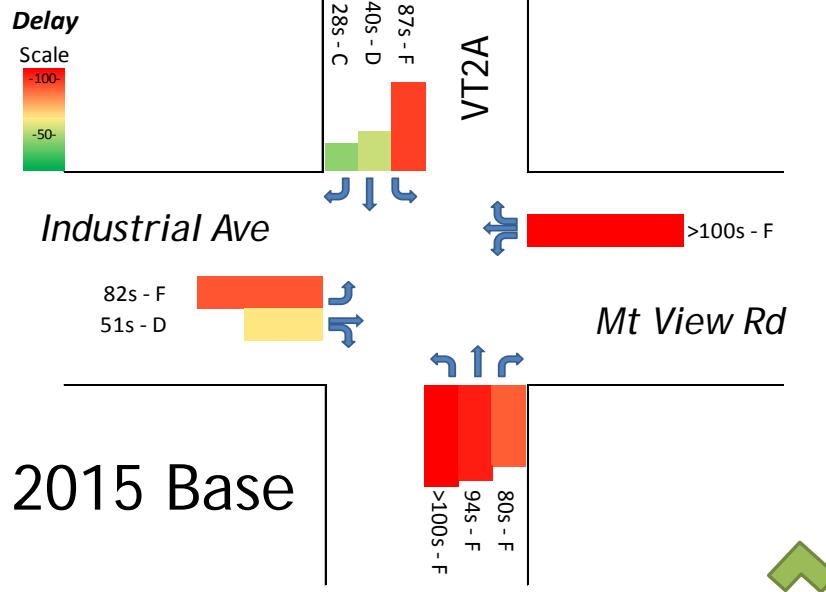
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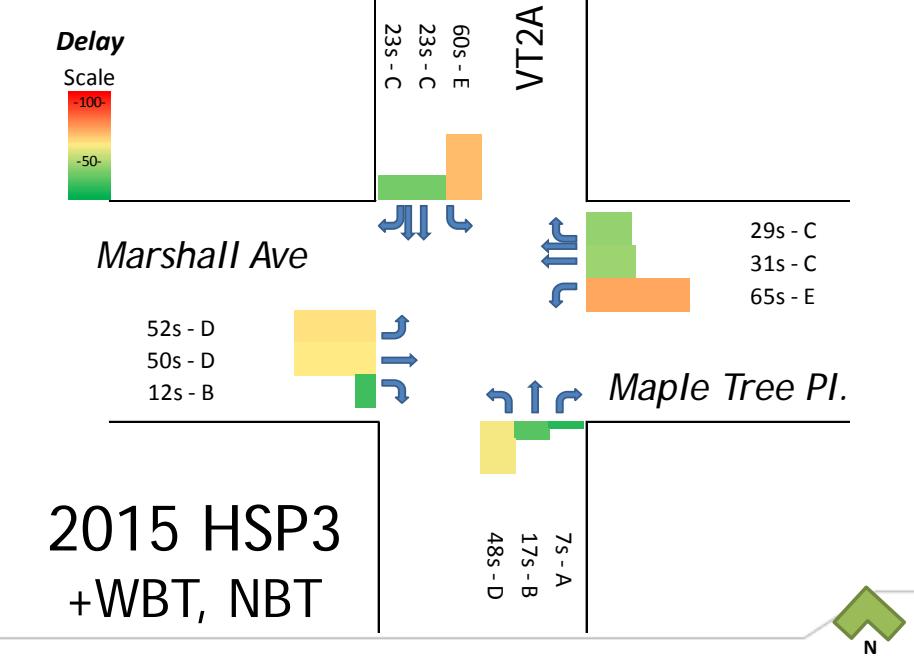
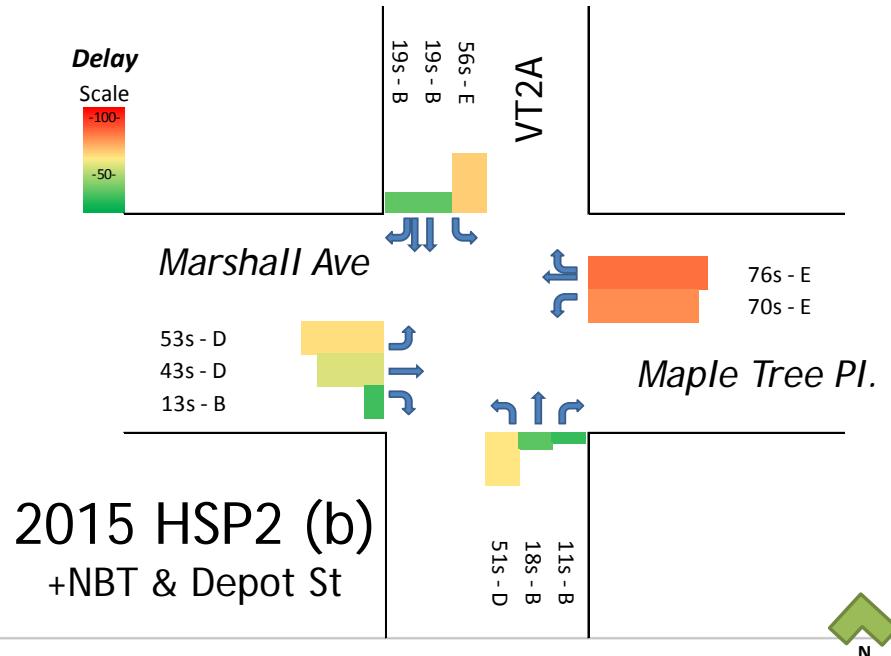
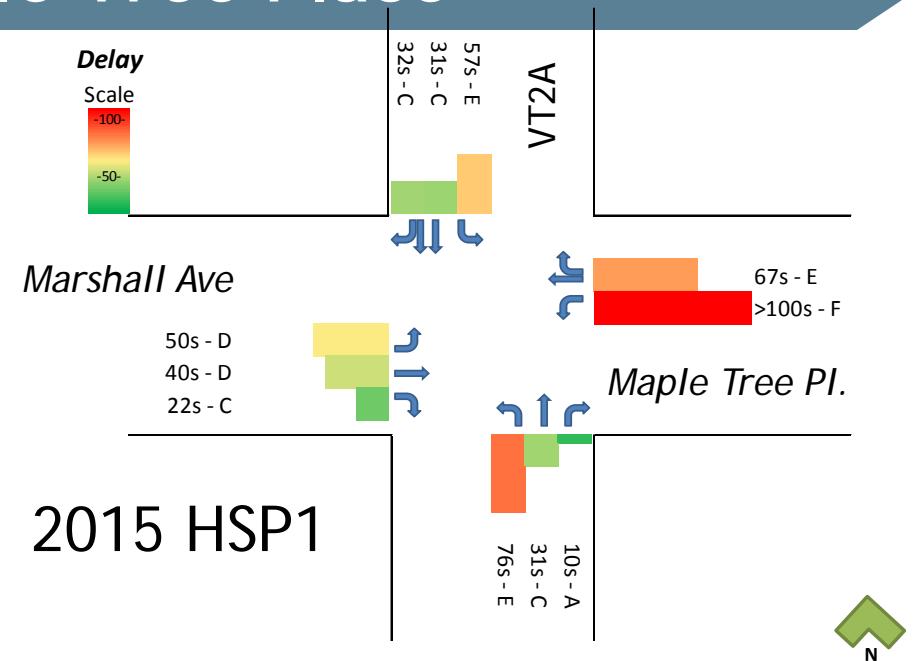
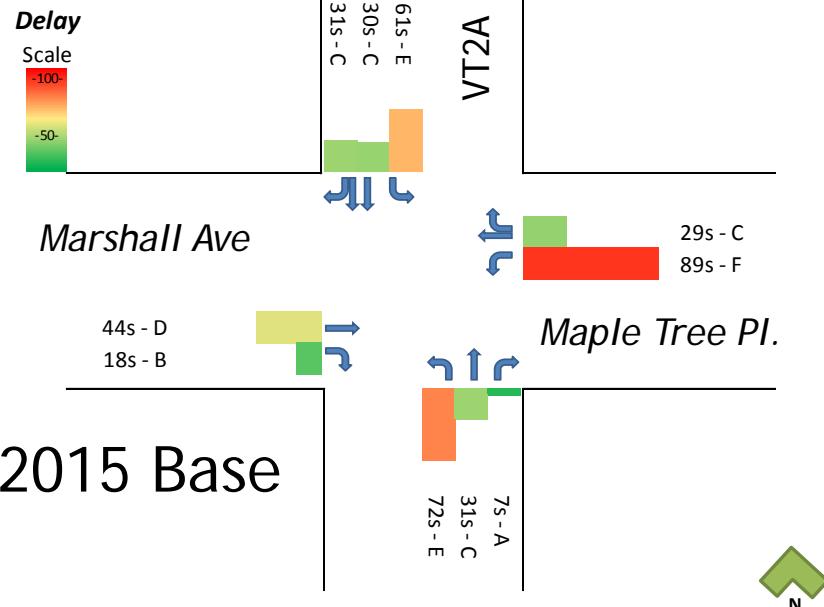
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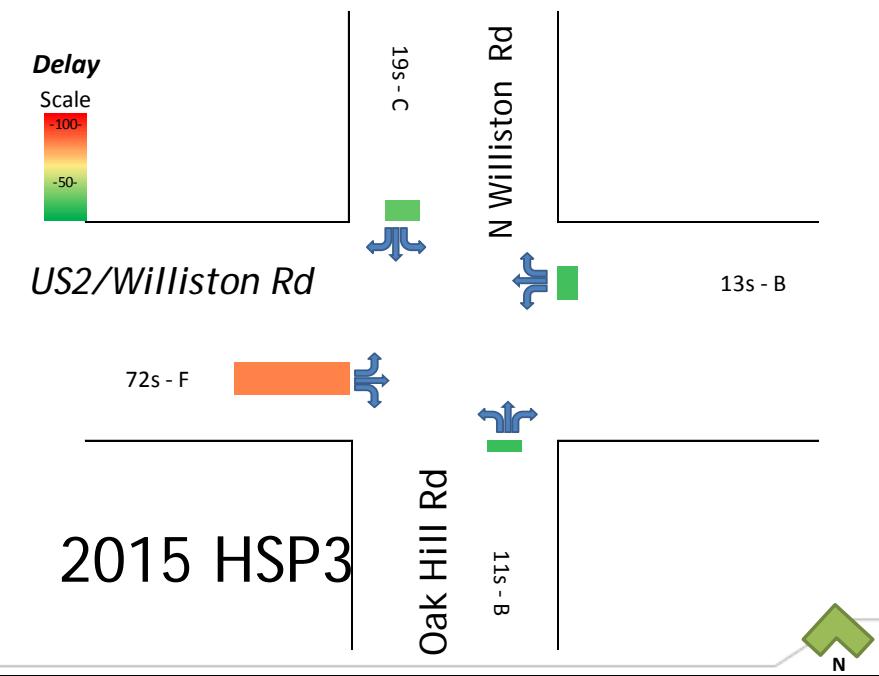
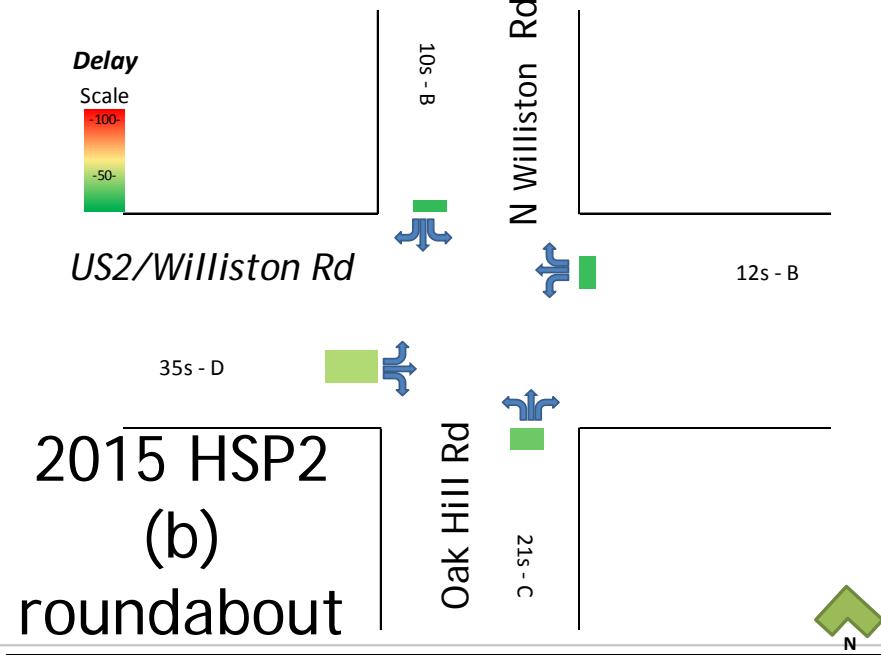
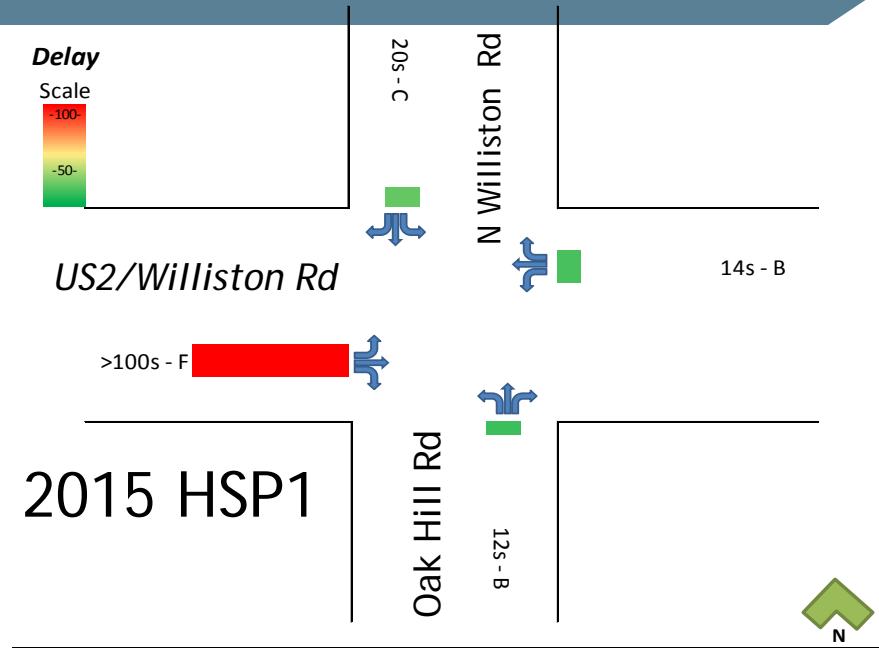
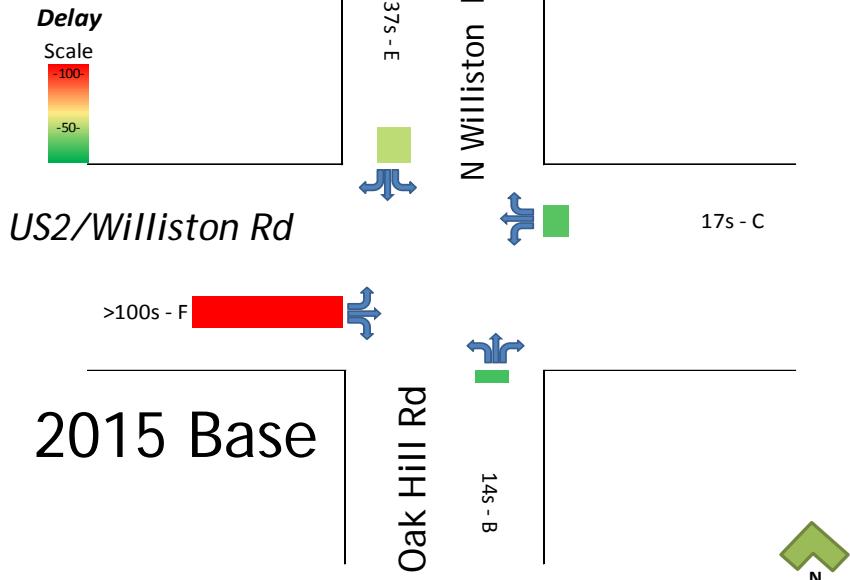
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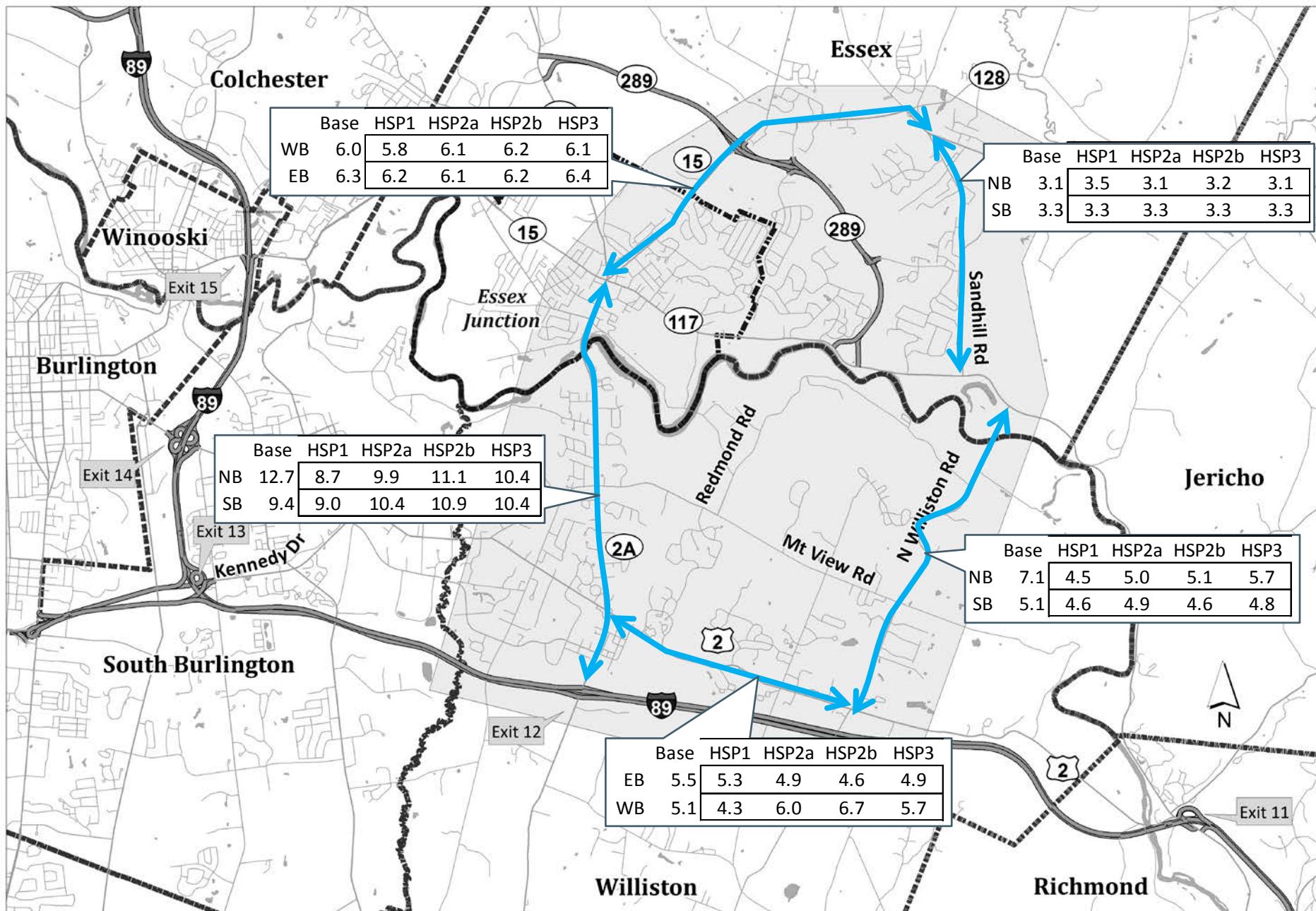
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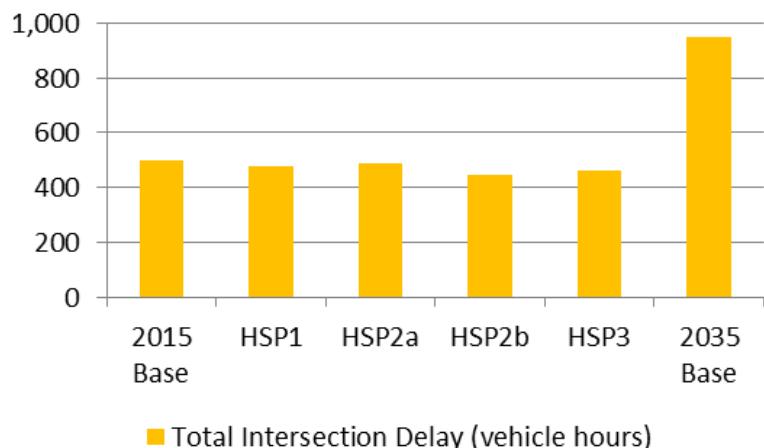


Review of Estimated Costs

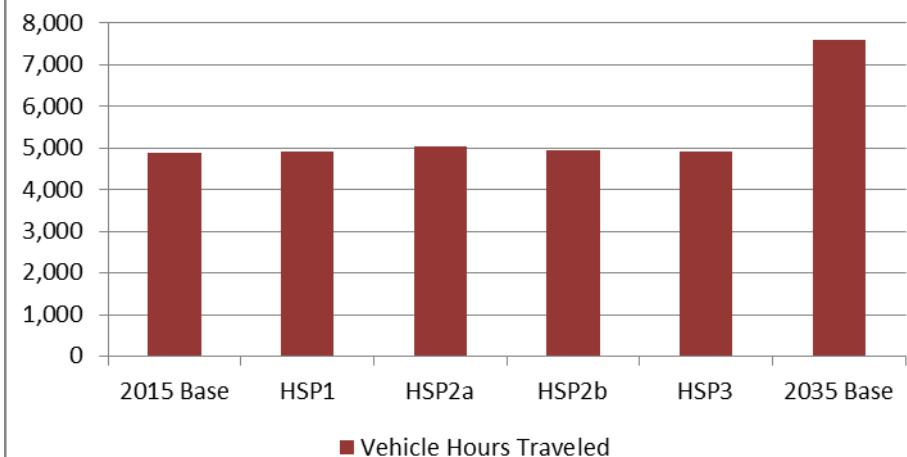
- Hybrid Strategy Package 1: \$49-73 million
- Hybrid Strategy Package 2a: \$24-39 million
- Hybrid Strategy Package 2a & 2b: \$49-63 million
- Hybrid Strategy Package 3: \$32-43 million
- Core Improvements: \$15-20 million

Performance Measures for 2035 Base Case

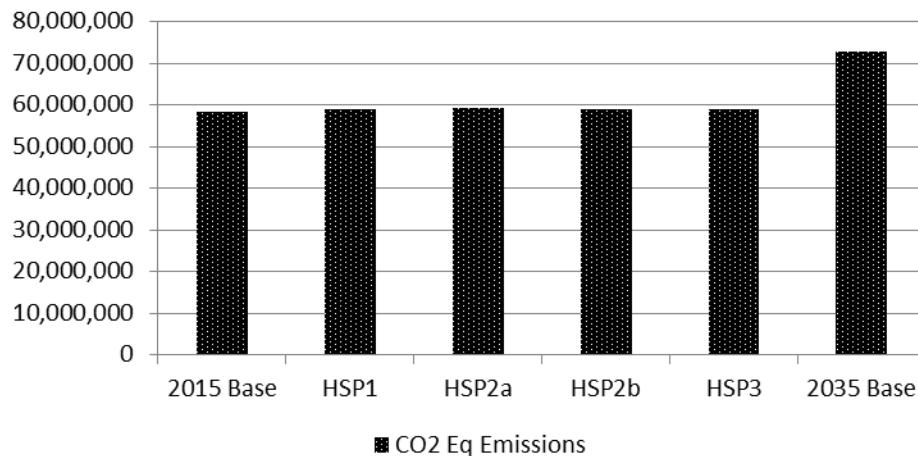
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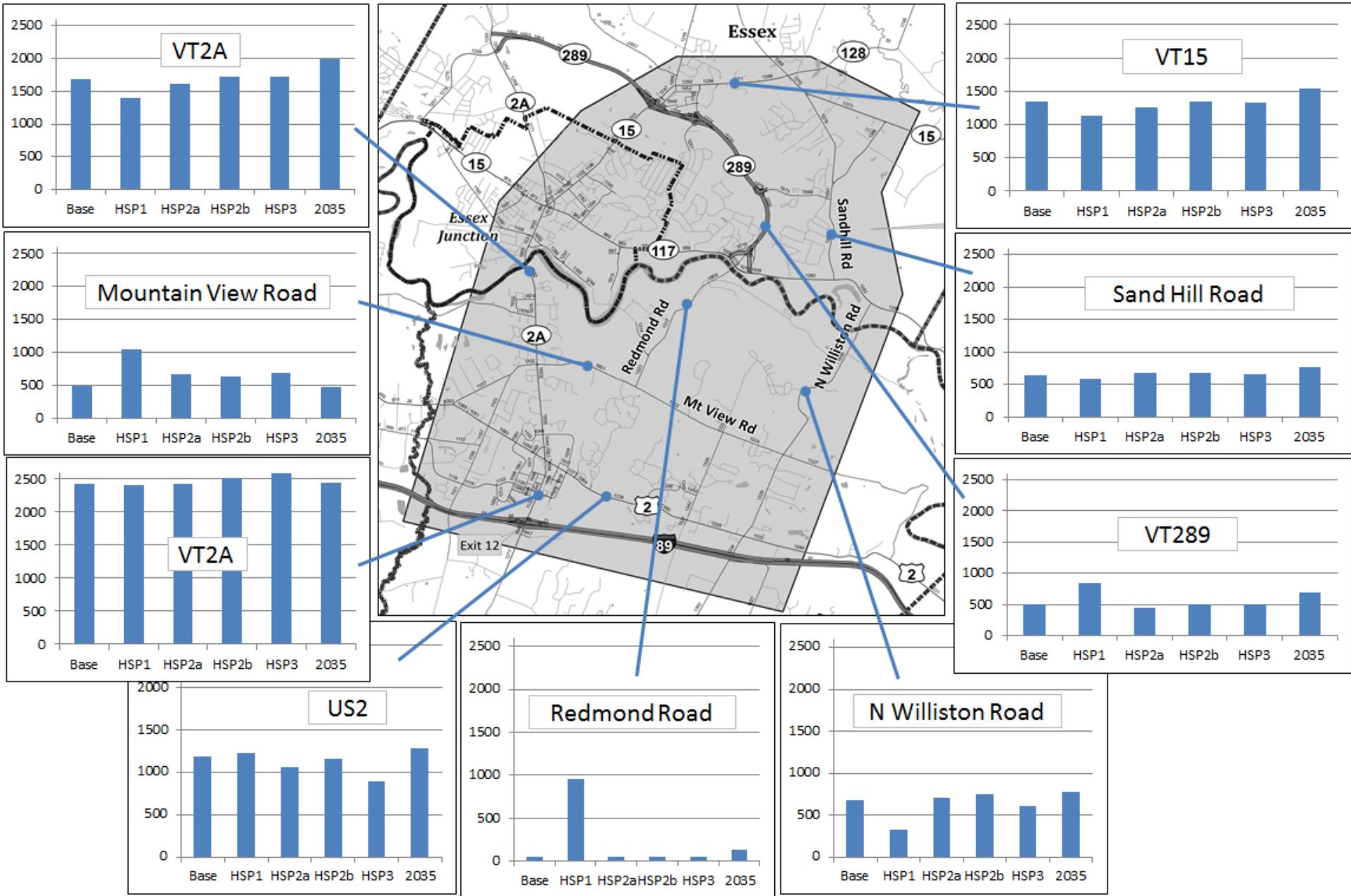
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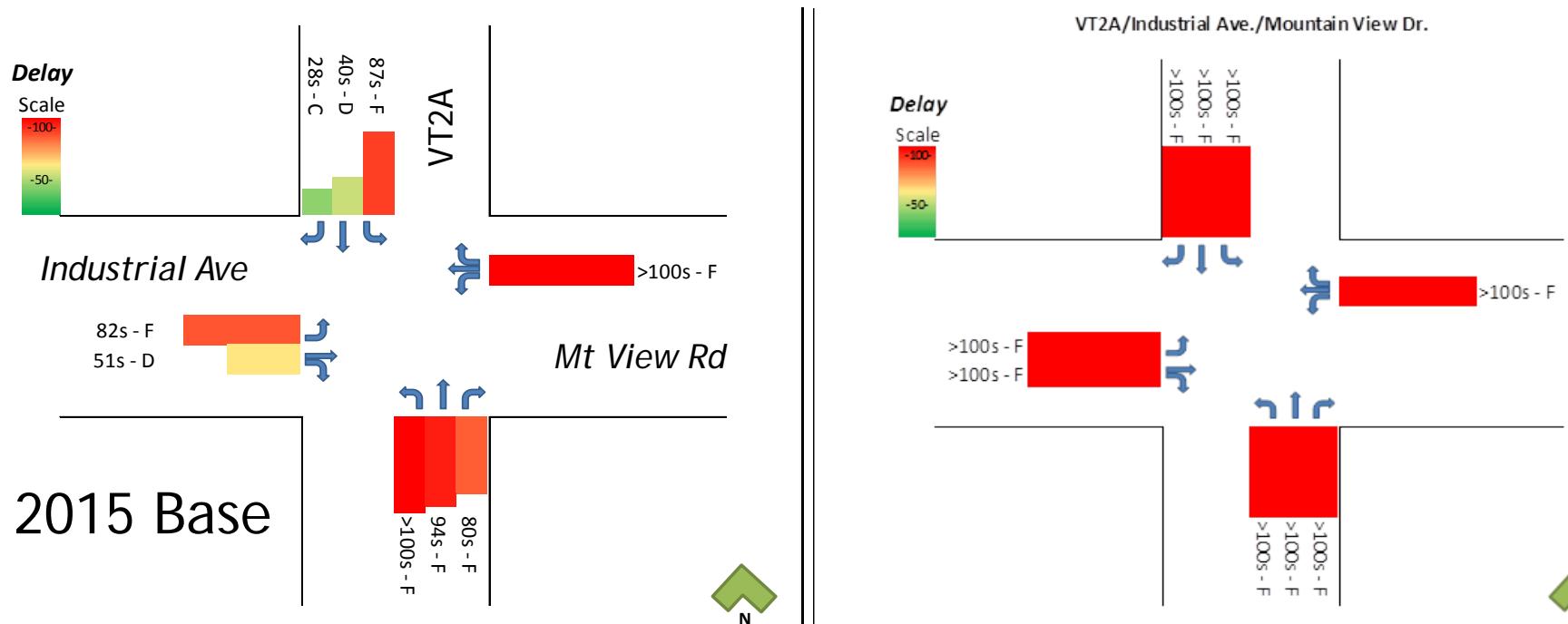


Traffic Flows: 2035 Base



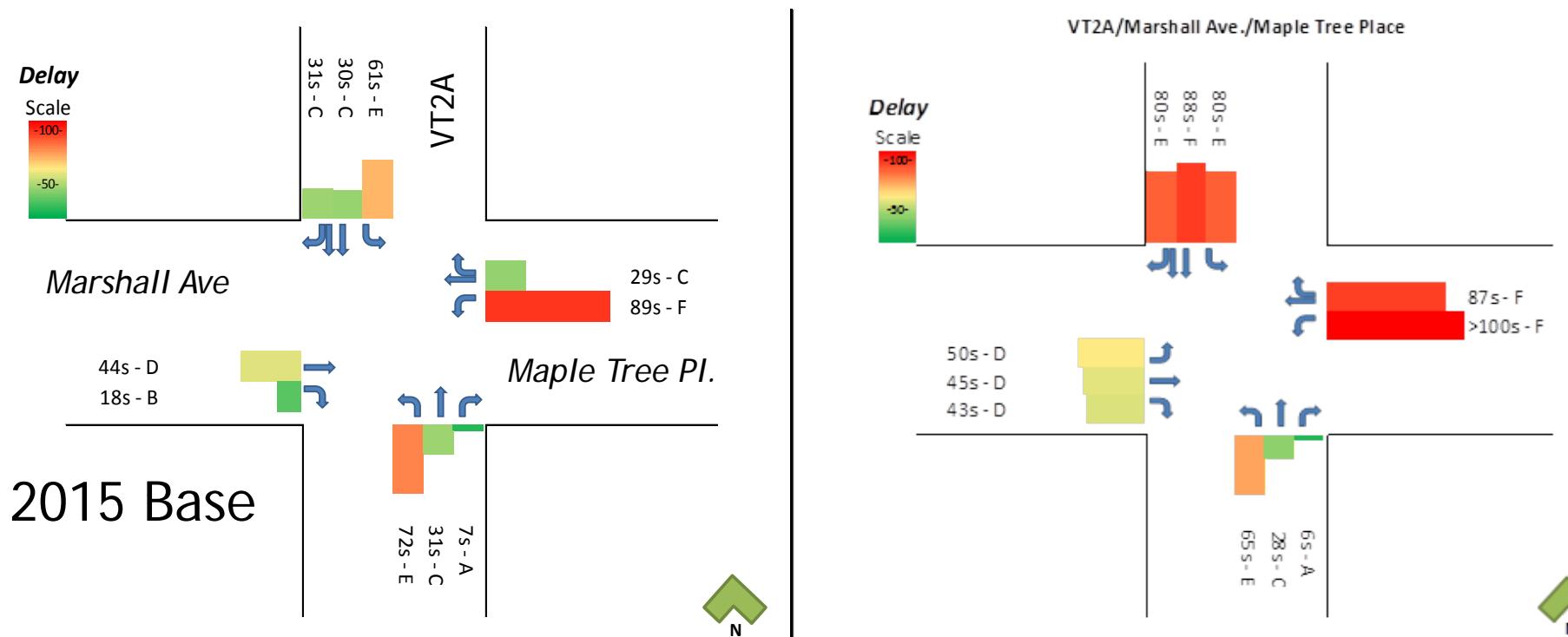
Capacity Comparisons for Base Case 2015 & 2035

VT2A/Industrial Ave/Mountain View Rd Intersection



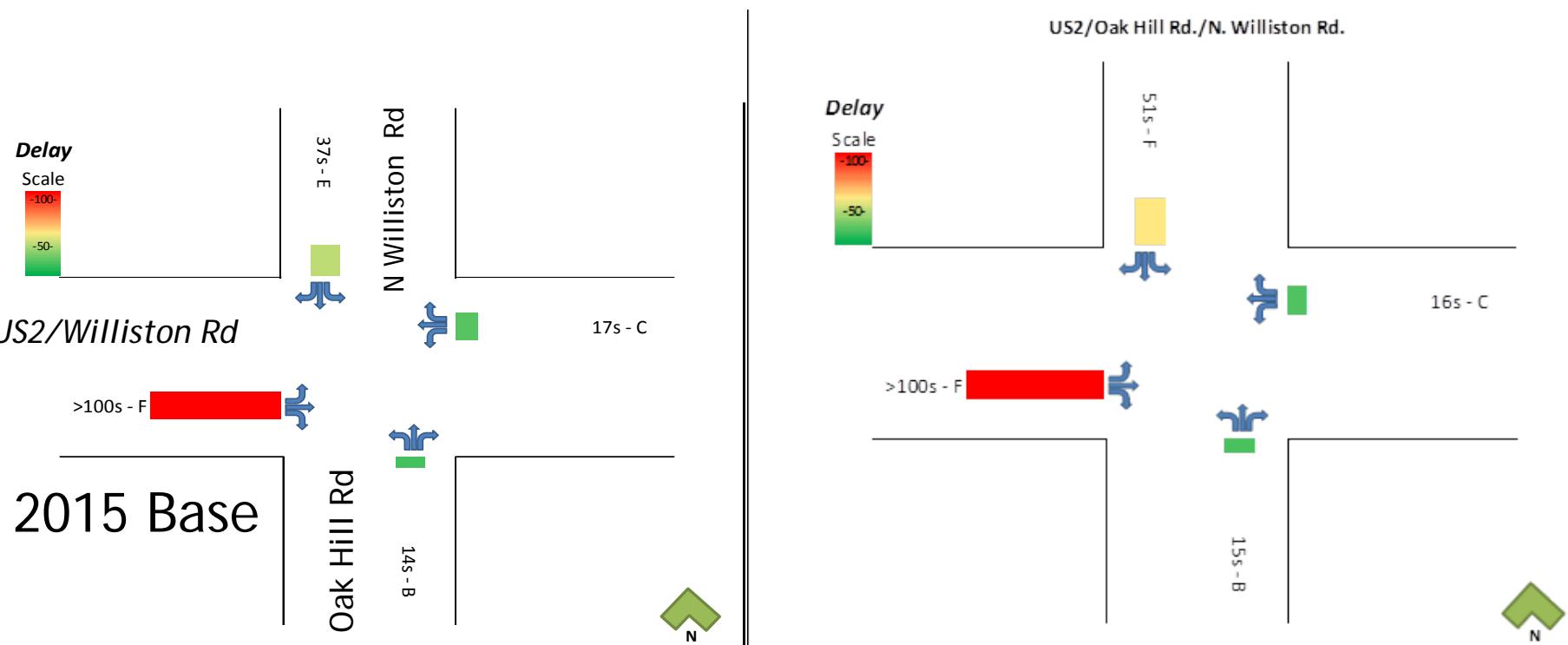
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US2/North Williston Road/Oak Hill Road Intersection



Next Steps

- Quantitative Evaluation of Three Hybrid Strategy Packages for 2035
 - Iteration of 2035 Scenarios to Provide More Definition
 - Development of Performance Measures
 - Right-of-Way Impacts
 - Natural Resources Impacts and Permitting
 - Refinement of Cost Estimates and Timeline
- Future Meetings
 - Two Selectboard Presentations (January 9, 2013)
 - Public Meeting #2 (February 2013)
- Development of Network Implementation Plan
 - Development of the preferred strategy package which will include a comprehensive list of multimodal recommendations that support the Goals and Objectives