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Draft Memorandum

To: Christine Klein, NYSDOT Region 9
From: Michael Beattie and Anthony Russo
Date: July 20, 2012
Re: Concord Resort – Synchro Analysis
cc: Chris Robbins; AKRF

This draft memorandum provides our response to NYSDOT comments dated July 18, 2012 on the Synchro analysis prepared for the Concord Resort DEIS.

COMMENTS AND RESPONSES

1. Please submit the calculated yellow and red clearances for each intersection based on operating speed.

Yellow and red times for existing signals were based on signal timing sheets received from NYSDOT. Red and yellow times for the proposed signals at Interchange 106 were not calculated. Based on the volumes and presenting a conservative analysis, yellow times were set at four seconds and red times set at two seconds at the proposed signalized intersections.
2. Eight second minimum initial green time at all signals.

Minimum greens for existing signals were based on signal timing sheets received from NYSDOT. The existing signals have minimum green times at eight seconds or greater depending on the intersection.

For the new signals proposed at the Route 17 eastbound ramps/Cimmaron Road (overpass), Joyland Road/Cimmaron Road, and the Route 17 westbound ramps/Cimmaron Road intersections, the signals were coded with an eight second minimum green.
3. All NYSDOT signals can be programmed to extend green phases to accommodate pedestrian calls. The model can ignore pedestrian times within their phases.

Comment noted and will be considered when developing future mitigation to signal timings.
4. All NYSDOT signals are fully actuated.

Comment noted and will be considered when developing future mitigation to signal timings.

5. The signals at Route 17 WB ramp, Anawana Lake Road, Home Depot and Concord Road are a coordinated system. They should be evaluated and reported this way. Alternatively, a recommendation can be made that these signals run free and document the improvements.

Based on the signal timing sheets received from DOT, there were no inputs showing these signals operating as a coordinated system (attached are two examples of the signal timing sheets showing only information for free running signals). Therefore, signals were coded as running free.

6. Please submit the existing conditions and then the impact from only the Concord development unless there is concrete evidence that another substantial project will be completed prior to the opening of Phase 1 of the Concord project.

Based on SEQRA requirements, the CALP project (located on Concord Road) and the associated trip generation and roadway improvements need to be included for the Phase 1 Build analysis. We are currently in discussions with the Town of Thompson to potentially conduct a sensitivity test without the CALP project; however, that analysis has not been approved.

7. When will the roundabout analysis be available for comparison?

AKRF met with NYSDOT's roundabout group in Albany on June 19, 2012 (meeting minutes will be provided). Different conceptual options were discussed as well as preferred analysis tools. The interchange options (both with and without roundabouts) will be discussed during the upcoming July 26, 2012 meeting with NYSDOT Region 9 to determine which interchange options should be analyzed between the DEIS and the FEIS.

N442 / Concord

→ No coordination

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Phase Times [1.1.1]	Coordination Patterns [2.4] and Coordination Split Tables [2.7.1]								Ring/Startup [1.1.4]															
Pat#	Cyc	Off	Split	Seq	Pat#	Cyc	Off	Split	Seq	Pat#	Cyc	Off	Split	Seq	Phs	Ring	Start	Enable						
Min Green	30				13	0	0	13	1	25	0	0	0	1	37	0	0	1	1	RED	1			
Gap_Ext	6		0.1		14	0	0	14	1	26	0	0	0	1	38	0	0	1	2	RED	0			
Max 1	35				15	0	0	15	1	27	0	0	0	1	39	0	0	1	3	RED	1			
Max 2					16	0	0	16	1	28	0	0	0	1	40	0	0	1	4	RED	0			
Yel Clearance	3.9	3.5	3.5	3.5	17	0	0	17	1	29	0	0	0	1	41	0	0	1	5	RED	1			
Red Clearance	1	1.5	1.5	1.5	18	0	0	18	1	30	0	0	0	1	42	0	0	1	6	RED	0			
Walk					19	0	0	19	1	31	0	0	0	1	43	0	0	1	7	RED	0			
Ped Clearance					20	0	0	20	1	32	0	0	0	1	44	0	0	1	8	RED	1			
Red Revert					21	0	0	21	1	33	0	0	0	1	45	0	0	1	4	RED	1			
Add Initial					22	0	0	22	1	34	0	0	0	1	46	0	0	1	5	RED	0			
Max Initial					23	0	0	23	1	35	0	0	0	1	47	0	0	1	6	RED	1			
Time B4 Reduct					24	0	0	24	1	36	0	0	0	1	48	0	0	1	7	RED	0			
Cars B4 Reduct					Split	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Split	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8		
Time To Reduce					Coord	0	0	0	0	13	Coord	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Reduce By					Coord	0	0	0	0	14	Coord	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Min Gap					Coord	0	0	0	0	15	Coord	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
DyMaxLim					Coord	0	0	0	0	16	Coord	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Max Step					Coord	0	0	0	0	17	Coord	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Options [1.1.2]	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Enable	1																							
Min Recall	1																							
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Correction		SHRT/LNG																						
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Phase Mode		STD8																						
IO Mode		USER																						
Loc Fish Start		RED																						
Start Flash(s)		0																						
Start AllRed(s)		6																						
Yellow < 3*		OFF																						
Display Time		20																						
Red Revert		3																						
MCE Timeout		0																						
Feature Profile		0																						
Free Ring Seq		1																						
Auxswitch		STOPTM																						
SDLC Reiry		0																						
TS2 Det Faults		ON																						
Auto Ped Clear		OFF																						
SDLC Reiry		0																						

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Pat#	Cyc	Off	Split	Seq	Pat#	Cyc	Off	Split	Seq
Min Green	6	10	8	8	8	10	8	8	8
Gap_Ext	2.5	4	2.5	2.5	2.5	4	2.5	2.5	2.5
Max 1	30	50	20	20	15	50	25		
Max 2	✓	✓							
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1	0	0	1	13	1	25	0	0	1
2	0	0	2	14	0	14	0	0	1
3	0	0	3	15	0	15	0	0	1
4	0	0	4	16	0	16	0	0	1
5	0	0	5	17	0	17	0	0	1
6	0	0	6	18	0	18	0	0	1
7	0	0	7	19	0	19	0	0	1
8	0	0	8	20	0	20	0	0	1
9	0	0	9	21	0	21	0	0	1
10	0	0	10	22	0	22	0	0	1
11	0	0	11	23	0	23	0	0	1
12	0	0	12	24	0	24	0	0	1
Split	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Split
1	Coord	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13
2	Coord	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14
3	Coord	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15
4	Coord	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16
5	Coord	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	17
6	Coord	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18
7	Coord	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	19
8	Coord	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20
9	Coord	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	21
10	Coord	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	22
11	Coord	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	23
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Coord Modes [2.1]	
Test OpMode	SHRT/LNG
0	0
Correction	MAX 1
Maximum	FLOAT
Force-Off	ON
Closed Loop	OFF
Stop-in-Walk	ON
Auto Reset	OFF
Expand Split	NO_RECYCLE
Ped Recycle	TIMED
Before	TIMED
Alter	TIMED
Auto Flash	PH OVER
Auto Flash	4.5
Flash Red	2
Unit Params [1.2.1]	STD8
Phase Mode	USER
IO Mode	RED
Loc Fish Start	0
Start Flash(s)	6
Start AllRed(s)	OFF
Yellow < 3'	20
Display Time	3
Red Revert	0
MCE Timeout	0
Feature Profile	0
Free Ring Seq	1
Auxswitch	STOPTM
SDLC Retry	0
TS2 Det Faults	ON
Auto Ped Clear	OFF
SDLC Retry	0



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FW: Concord Question - merge/diverge analysis

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Fri, Aug 24, 2012 at 10:06 AM

To: Michael Beattie <mbeattie@akrf.com>, Chris Robbins <crobbs@akrf.com>

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See below. DOT wants just one of the ramps analyzed the EB on-ramp. However, when cwe collect the data we will get both directions of RTE 17, but we do not need to analyze all the ramps.

From: Klein, Christine (DOT) [mailto:Christine.Klein@dot.ny.gov]

Sent: Friday, August 24, 2012 7:13 AM

To: 'Douglas, Christina'; 'Anthony Russo'

Subject: FW: Concord Question - merge/diverge analysis

See below

From: Retzlaff, Michael (DOT)

Sent: Thursday, August 23, 2012 2:56 PM

To: Klein, Christine (DOT)

Cc: Larson, Pete (DOT); Bickford, Doug (DOT); Signorelli, Tony (DOT)

Subject: RE: Concord Question - merge/diverge analysis

Existing weaving distances between entrance and exit ramps are in excess of AASHTO minimum of 2000' (pg. 10-106). AASHTO does not require, but recommends checking by HCM procedure. I concur with Tony's recommendation.

Michael

Tony's answer sounds good to me.

Peter Larson

Chris,

The only ramp that may have any issue is the EB on ramp. The other 3 should be fine, provided the WB off ramp doesn't have any queuing problems, which there intersection analysis has shown that it won't.

It would be prudent to have at least this one movement analyzed.

Tony

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