

## **Stakeholder Committee Meeting #6**

November 15, 2019

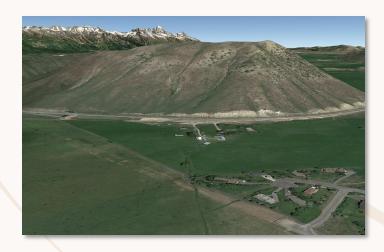


# **Project Updates**



#### No Action Alternative

- » Defined as including 'committed' or 'programmed' projects
- » WYDOT draft STIP update includes \$5.3M for WY 22 widening planning process
- » Updated No-Action Alternative definitions; now used in No-Action scenario for travel and traffic modelling.

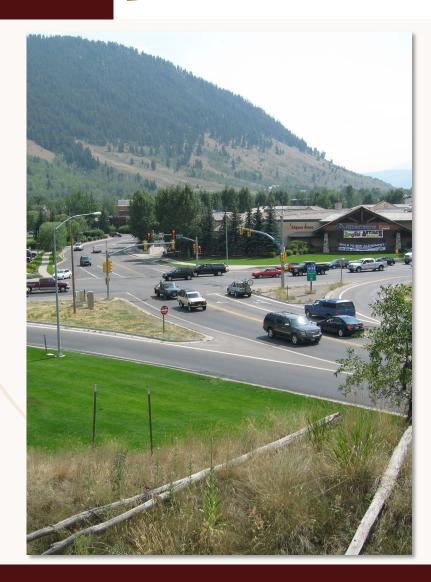


# **Project Updates:**

## **Purpose & Need**

Tribal Trail CONNECTOR

- Transportation improvements are required to address the following needs in the Study Area:
  - » provide travel redundancy
  - » reduce vehicle miles of travel (VMT) associated with circuitous routing of traffic
  - » reduce local trips through the Y intersection
  - » improve emergency response
  - » provide improved multi-modal connections.



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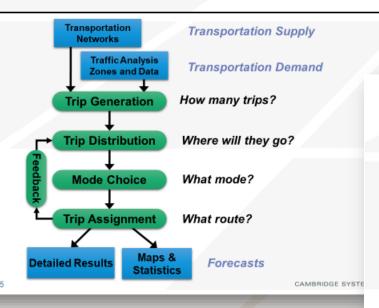


- Purpose and Need
  - » Jim Charlier—ITP Updates
  - » Post Paradise Fire Study
    - Survey of 5000 communities in 11 states
    - Jackson one of lowest evacuation scores (Paradise had one of the highest scoring evacuation plans)
  - » Survey of EMS Providers
- Proposed Change in Posted Speed
- Pathways Update

## **Travel Model**

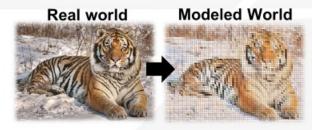


#### The Four Steps



#### What is a Travel Demand Model?

- A tool to provide travel information that can aid in planning for transportation improvements
- A way of organizing your assumptions
- A program that can "predict" existing travel demand and forecast travel demand for future scenarios



## You Asked!



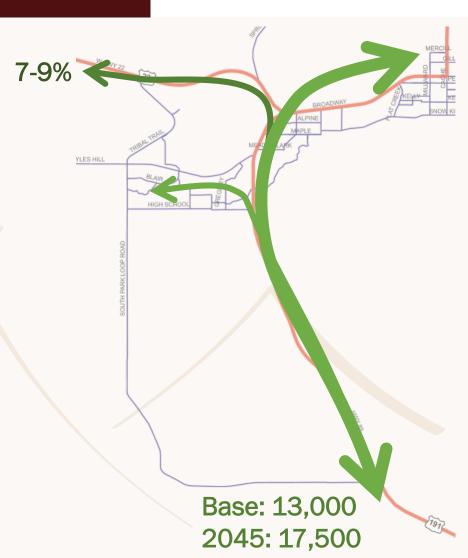
- Most of the traffic on Tribal Trail is local
  - » Does this make sense based on the data?
- Connecting Tribal Trail has only a small effect on South Park Loop traffic south of High School Road
  - » This raised concerns so we investigated



# **Looking at the Data**

Tribal Trail CONNECTOR

- Only 7 to 9% of traffic to/from south of the study area is headed west
- Travel model and LBS
   Data (cell phone data analysis) show consistent patterns
- Simulation confirms that users of Tribal Trail are local to the study area



# **Evaluating VMT**

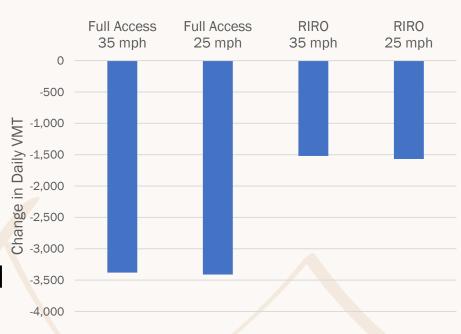


### Purpose and Need

» Reduce vehicle miles of travel (VMT) associated with circuitous routing of traffic

## Analysis

- » VMT reductions with **fixed** demand
- » When including induced demand, VMT change is negligible

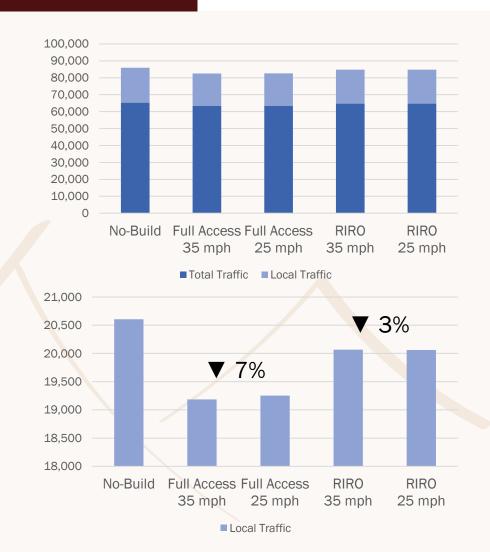


VMT Reductions with <u>fixed</u> <u>demand</u>, 2045 model run

# Traffic through the Y



- Purpose and Need
  - » Reduce local trips through the Y intersection
- Analysis
  - » Reduce **local** traffic through the Y by 3-7%



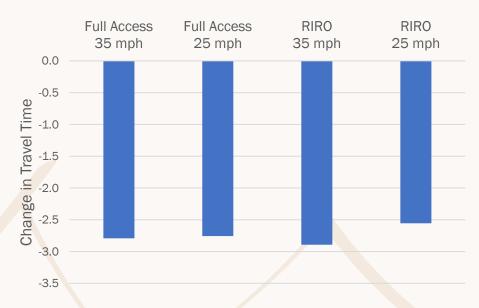
Traffic through the Y, 2045 model run

# **Emergency Response**



- Purpose and Need
  - » Improve emergency response
- Analysis
  - Average travel time reduction to the study area from fire departments in Wilson
  - » Minimal change in times from Jackson

Context: the model doesn't have a "Fire Truck" mode, so these are auto travel time changes



Travel Time Reductions, 2045 model run

# **Simulating Congestion**



- Consistency between simulation and demand model
- Stop-controlled ramp intersections operate at LOS A and B
- Four-way stop at Tribal Trail and Boyles Hill operates at LOS A and B
- Reductions in local traffic improve the northbound left turn at the Y

The study team continues to review detailed results

