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Diverge Analysis

Analyst: NJ
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Date performed: 3/24/2011
Analysis time period: AM
Freeway/Dir of Travel: I-85 NB
Junction: US 276 WB OFF-RAMP
Jurisdiction: Greenville, SC
Analysis Year: 2010
Description: I-85/I-385 Existing

Freeway Data

Type of analysis	Diverge	
Number of lanes in freeway	3	
Free-flow speed on freeway	60.0	mph
Volume on freeway	4092	vph

Off Ramp Data

Side of freeway	Right	
Number of lanes in ramp	1	
Free-Flow speed on ramp	25.0	mph
Volume on ramp	577	vph
Length of first accel/decel lane	420	ft
Length of second accel/decel lane		ft

Adjacent Ramp Data (if one exists)

Does adjacent ramp exist?	Yes	
Volume on adjacent ramp	487	vph
Position of adjacent ramp	Downstream	
Type of adjacent ramp	On	
Distance to adjacent ramp	450	ft

Conversion to pc/h Under Base Conditions

Junction Components	Freeway		Ramp		Adjacent Ramp	
Volume, V (vph)	4092		577		487	vph
Peak-hour factor, PHF	0.90		0.90		0.90	
Peak 15-min volume, v15	1137		160		135	v
Trucks and buses	18		15		15	%
Recreational vehicles	0		0		0	%
Terrain type:	Level		Level		Level	
Grade	0.00	%	0.00	%	0.00	%
Length	0.00	mi	0.00	mi	0.00	mi
Trucks and buses PCE, ET	1.5		1.5		1.5	
Recreational vehicle PCE, ER	1.2		1.2		1.2	

Heavy vehicle adjustment, fHV	0.917	0.930	0.930	
Driver population factor, fP	1.00	1.00	1.00	
Flow rate, vp	4956	689	582	pcph

Estimation of V12 Diverge Areas

$$L = \text{(Equation 13-12 or 13-13)}$$

EQ

$$P = 0.604 \quad \text{Using Equation 5}$$

FD

$$v_{12} = v_R + (v_F - v_R) P_{FD} = 3268 \quad \text{pc/h}$$

Capacity Checks

	Actual	Maximum	LOS F?
$v_{Fi} = v_F$	4956	6900	No
$v_{FO} = v_F - v_R$	4267	6900	No
v_R	689	1900	No
v_3 or v_{av34}	1688 pc/h	(Equation 13-14 or 13-17)	
Is v_3 or $v_{av34} > 2700$ pc/h?		No	
Is v_3 or $v_{av34} > 1.5 v_{12} / 2$		No	
If yes, $v_{12A} = 3268$		(Equation 13-15, 13-16, 13-18, or 13-19)	

Flow Entering Diverge Influence Area

	Actual	Max Desirable	Violation?
v_{12}	3268	4400	No

Level of Service Determination (if not F)

Density,	$D = 4.252 + 0.0086 v_R - 0.009 L_D$	$= 28.6$	pc/mi/ln
Level of service for ramp-freeway junction areas of influence D			

Speed Estimation

Intermediate speed variable,	$D_S = 0.620$	
Space mean speed in ramp influence area,	$S_R = 48.8$	mph
Space mean speed in outer lanes,	$S_0 = 63.1$	mph
Space mean speed for all vehicles,	$S = 52.9$	mph