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Operational Analysis

Analyst: NJ
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 Date Performed: 4/4/2011
 Analysis Time Period: AM
 Freeway/Dir of Travel: I-85NB
 Weaving Location: US-276
 Analysis Year: 2010
 Description: I-85/I-385 Existing

Inputs

Segment Type	Freeway	
Weaving configuration	One-Sided	
Number of lanes, N	4	ln
Weaving segment length, LS	420	ft
Freeway free-flow speed, FFS	60	mi/h
Minimum segment speed, SMIN	15	mi/h
Freeway maximum capacity, cIFL	2300	pc/h/ln
Terrain type	Level	
Grade	0.00	%
Length	0.00	mi

Conversion to pc/h Under Base Conditions

	Volume Components				
	VFF	VRF	VFR	VRR	
Volume, V	3301	214	577	0	veh/h
Peak hour factor, PHF	0.90	0.90	0.90	0.90	
Peak 15-min volume, v15	917	59	160	0	
Trucks and buses	18	15	15	15	%
Recreational vehicles	0	0	0	0	%
Trucks and buses PCE, ET	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	
Recreational vehicle PCE, ER	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	
Heavy vehicle adjustment, fHV	0.917	0.930	0.930	0.930	
Driver population adjustment, fP	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	
Flow rate, v	3998	256	689	0	pc/h

Volume ratio, VR 0.191

Configuration Characteristics

Number of maneuver lanes, NWL	2	ln
Interchange density, ID	0.00	int/mi
Minimum RF lane changes, LCRF	0	lc/pc
Minimum FR lane changes, LCFR	0	lc/pc
Minimum RR lane changes, LCRR		lc/pc
Minimum weaving lane changes, LCMIN	0	lc/h
Weaving lane changes, LCW	68	lc/h
Non-weaving vehicle index, INW	0	
Non-weaving lane change, LCNW	281	lc/h
Total lane changes, LCALL	349	lc/h

Weaving and Non-Weaving Speeds

Weaving intensity factor, W 0.195

Average weaving speed, SW	52.6	mi/h
Average non-weaving speed, SNW	54.1	mi/h

_____Weaving Segment Speed, Density, Level of Service and Capacity_____		
Weaving segment speed, S	53.8	mi/h
Weaving segment density, D	23.0	pc/mi/ln
Level of service, LOS	C	
Weaving segment v/c ratio	0.620	
Weaving segment flow rate, v	4943	pc/h
Weaving segment capacity, cW	7310	veh/h

_____Limitations on Weaving Segments_____				
If limit reached, see note.				

	Minimum	Maximum	Actual	Note
Weaving length (ft)	300	4446	420	a,b
		Maximum	Analyzed	
Density-based capacity, cIWL (pc/h/ln)		2300	1992	c
		Maximum	Analyzed	
v/c ratio		1.00	0.620	d

Notes:

- In weaving segments shorter than 300 ft, weaving vehicles are assumed to make only necessary lane changes.
- Weaving segments longer than the calculated maximum length should be treated as isolated merge and diverge areas using the procedures of Chapter 13, "Freeway Merge and Diverge Segments."
- The density-based capacity exceeds the capacity of a basic freeway segment, under equivalent ideal conditions.
- Volumes exceed the weaving segment capacity. The level of service is F.