# Evaluation of Work Zone Split Traffic Symbol Sign 

Final Report February 2018

## Sponsored by

Missouri Department of Transportation
Midwest Transportation Center
U.S. Department of Transportation

Office of the Assistant Secretary for
Research and Technology


#### Abstract

About MTC The Midwest Transportation Center (MTC) is a regional University Transportation Center (UTC) sponsored by the U.S. Department of Transportation Office of the Assistant Secretary for Research and Technology (USDOT/OST-R). The mission of the UTC program is to advance U.S. technology and expertise in the many disciplines comprising transportation through the mechanisms of education, research, and technology transfer at university-based centers of excellence. Iowa State University, through its Institute for Transportation (InTrans), is the MTC lead institution.


#### Abstract

About InTrans The mission of the Institute for Transportation (InTrans) at Iowa State University is to develop and implement innovative methods, materials, and technologies for improving transportation efficiency, safety, reliability, and sustainability while improving the learning environment of students, faculty, and staff in transportation-related fields.


## ISU Non-Discrimination Statement

Iowa State University does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, age, ethnicity, religion, national origin, pregnancy, sexual orientation, gender identity, genetic information, sex, marital status, disability, or status as a U.S. veteran. Inquiries regarding non-discrimination policies may be directed to Office of Equal Opportunity, 3410 Beardshear Hall, 515 Morrill Road, Ames, Iowa 50011, Tel. 515-294-7612, Hotline: 515-294-1222, email eooffice@iastate.edu.

## Notice

The contents of this report reflect the views of the authors, who are responsible for the facts and the accuracy of the information presented herein. The opinions, findings and conclusions expressed in this publication are those of the authors and not necessarily those of the sponsors.

This document is disseminated under the sponsorship of the U.S. DOT UTC program in the interest of information exchange. The U.S. Government assumes no liability for the use of the information contained in this document. This report does not constitute a standard, specification, or regulation.

The U.S. Government does not endorse products or manufacturers. If trademarks or manufacturers' names appear in this report, it is only because they are considered essential to the objective of the document.

## Quality Assurance Statement

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) provides high-quality information to serve Government, industry, and the public in a manner that promotes public understanding. Standards and policies are used to ensure and maximize the quality, objectivity, utility, and integrity of its information. The FHWA periodically reviews quality issues and adjusts its programs and processes to ensure continuous quality improvement.

Technical Report Documentation Page

| 1. Report No. | 2. Government Accession No. | 3. Recipient's C | g No. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 4. Title and Subtitle <br> Evaluation of Work Zone Split Traffic Symbol Sign |  | 5. Report Date <br> February 2018 |  |
|  |  | 6. Performing Organization Code |  |
| 7. Author(s) <br> Praveen Edara, Carlos Sun, Henry Brown, Shawn Leight, and Emmanuel Nketah |  | 8. Performing Organization Report No. |  |
| 9. Performing Organization Name and Address <br> Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering University of Missouri-Columbia E2509 Lafferre Hall Columbia, MO 65211 |  | 11. Contract or Grant No. <br> Part of DTRT13-G-UTC37 |  |
| 12. Sponsoring Organization Name and Address |  | 13. Type of Report and Period Covered Final Report |  |
| Transportation, Construction and Materials Division, Research Section P.O. Box 270/1617 Missouri Blvd. Jefferson City, MO 65102 <br> Midwest Transportation Center 2711 S. Loop Drive, Suite 4700 Ames, IA 50010-8664 | Office of the Assistant Secretary for Research and Technology 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE Washington, DC 20590 | 14. Sponsoring Agency Code |  |
| 15. Supplementary Notes <br> Visit www.intrans.iastate.edu for color pdfs of this and other research reports. |  |  |  |
| 16. Abstract <br> Effective signage that is easily understood facilitates safe driving through a work zone. While the guidance for work zone signage in the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) is suitable for many conditions, there may be instances where alternative signage may be more effective at enhancing safety. This project evaluated the use of alternative signage for closure of a middle lane in a freeway work zone on a bridge rehabilitation project on I-170 in St. Louis, Missouri. The alternative signage displays the lane arrangement in a single sign, while the MUTCD recommends using two signs to direct the movements to the left and the right sides of the work area. The evaluation of the alternative signage included stakeholder and driver surveys, operational and safety analyses, and the collection and analysis of field videos to assess driver behavior. <br> The analysis of field videos showed that drivers may have adapted to the alternative signs because the rate of lane changes decreased between the early and late periods of construction. Stakeholder interviews found that personnel from the Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) and the contractor generally thought that the alternative sign communicated information more clearly but had mixed opinions on whether the use of the sign improved safety. Drivers did not express any concerns regarding the use of the alternative sign through a website that collects feedback on MoDOT work zones. A review of crash data found that crash patterns during the work zone period were similar to the crash patterns before the work zone was in place, and the use of the alternative sign did not appear to be a contributing factor in any work zone crashes. Analysis of Regional Integrated Transportation Information System (RITIS) traffic data found that use of the alternative sign did not have an impact on travel times in the vicinity of the work zone. Overall, the evaluation found that the alternative sign communicates information clearly and does not cause any adverse impacts to work zone safety and operations. |  |  |  |
| 17. Key Words <br> alternative signage-MUTCD-work zone safety-work zone signage |  | 18. Distribution Statement No restrictions. |  |
| 19. Security Classification (of this report) <br> Unclassified. | 20. Security Classification (of this page) <br> Unclassified. | 21. No. of Pages $106$ | 22. Price <br> NA |

Form DOT F 1700.7 (8-72)

# EVALUATION OF WORK ZONE SPLIT TRAFFIC SYMBOL SIGN 

Final Report<br>February 2018

Principal Investigator<br>Praveen Edara, Associate Professor<br>University of Missouri-Columbia<br>Co-Principal Investigators<br>Carlos Sun, Professor<br>Henry Brown, Research Engineer<br>University of Missouri-Columbia

Shawn Leight
Vice President/Chief Operations Officer
CBB Transportation Engineers and Planners

## Research Assistants

Farzaneh Azadi and Yohan Chang

## Authors

Praveen Edara, Carlos Sun, Henry Brown, Shawn Leight, and Emmanuel Nketah

Sponsored by
Missouri Department of Transportation, Midwest Transportation Center, and U.S. Department of Transportation Office of the Assistant Secretary for Research and Technology

A report from
Institute for Transportation
Iowa State University
2711 South Loop Drive, Suite 4700
Ames, IA 50010-8664
Phone: 515-294-8103 / Fax: 515-294-0467
http://www.intrans.iastate.edu

## TABLE OF CONTENTS

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS ..... ix
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY ..... xi
CHAPTER 1. INTRODUCTION ..... 1
1.1 Motivation ..... 1
1.2 Overview of MUTCD Guidance on Warning Signs ..... 1
1.3 Overview of I-170 Work Zone ..... 3
1.4 Methodology Overview ..... 8
CHAPTER 2. VIDEO DATA COLLECTION AND ANALYSIS ..... 9
2.1 Overview of Video Data ..... 9
2.2 Video Data Collection. ..... 16
2.3 Analysis of Video Data ..... 22
CHAPTER 3. STAKEHOLDER INTERVIEWS ..... 43
3.1 Overview and Methodology ..... 43
3.2 Summary of Results ..... 45
CHAPTER 4. DRIVER SURVEY ..... 50
CHAPTER 5. CRASH DATA ANALYSIS ..... 53
5.1 Overview and Methodology ..... 53
5.2 Results of Crash Data Analysis ..... 56
5.3 Summary of Results of Crash Data Analysis ..... 69
CHAPTER 6. TRAVEL TIME ANALYSIS ..... 70
6.1 Introduction ..... 70
6.2 Travel Time Data ..... 70
6.3 Study Area ..... 73
6.4 Performance Measurement for Travel Time Analysis ..... 74
6.5 Travel Time Analysis ..... 75
CHAPTER 7. CONCLUSIONS ..... 78
REFERENCES ..... 79
APPENDIX A: CRASH DATA OUTPUT ..... 81

## LIST OF FIGURES

Figure ES.1. Horizontal alignment warning signs from MUTCD Section 6F ..... xi
Figure ES.2. Alternative warning signs evaluated in this project. ..... xi
Figure 1.1. Horizontal alignment warning signs from MUTCD Section 6F ..... 2
Figure 1.2.a. Alternative warning sign evaluated in this project .....  2
Figure 1.2.b. Optional alternative warning sign ..... 2
Figure 1.3. Work zone site location map ..... 3
Figure 1.4. Traffic control plan and signage for southbound I-170 ..... 5
Figure 1.5. Traffic control plan and signage for northbound I-170 ..... 6
Figure 1.6. Work zone split sign on northbound I-170 ..... 7
Figure 1.7. Gore point on northbound I-170 ..... 7
Figure 2.1. Camera locations and views map ..... 11
Figure 2.2. Screenshot of northbound front view stationary video ..... 12
Figure 2.3. Screenshot of northbound back view stationary video ..... 12
Figure 2.4. Screenshot of southbound front view stationary video ..... 13
Figure 2.5. Screenshot of southbound back view stationary video ..... 13
Figure 2.6. Screenshot of front view northbound drive-through video ..... 14
Figure 2.7. Screenshot of side view northbound drive-through video ..... 15
Figure 2.8. Screenshot of front view southbound drive-through video ..... 15
Figure 2.9. Screenshot of front view southbound drive-through video ..... 16
Figure 2.10. Screenshots from northbound cameras before split sign placement (11/30/2016) ..... 17
Figure 2.11. Screenshot from northbound camera before split sign placement (12/3/2016) ..... 17
Figure 2.12. Screenshots from northbound cameras before split sign placement (12/6/2016) ..... 17
Figure 2.13. Screenshots from northbound drive-through cameras before split sign placement (12/6/2016) ..... 18
Figure 2.14. Screenshots from southbound cameras during early construction with split signs (12/7/2016) ..... 19
Figure 2.15. Screenshots from southbound cameras during early construction with split signs (12/10/2016) ..... 19
Figure 2.16. Screenshots from southbound drive-through cameras during early construction with split signs (12/8/2016) ..... 20
Figure 2.17. Screenshots from northbound cameras during late construction with split signs (12/15/2016) ..... 21
Figure 2.18. Screenshots from northbound cameras during late construction with split signs (12/17/2016) ..... 21
Figure 2.19. Screenshots from northbound drive-through cameras during late construction with split signs $(12 / 15 / 2016)$ ..... 22
Figure 2.20. Tractor-trailer making aggressive lane change causing queue (early construction, northbound, morning peak) ..... 37
Figure 2.21. Tractor-trailer making aggressive lane change causing following vehicle to change lanes (early construction, northbound, morning peak) ..... 38
Figure 2.22. Lane change near the gore example 1 (late construction, southbound, midday) ..... 39
Figure 2.23. Lane change near the gore example 2 (late construction, southbound, midday) ..... 39
Figure 2.24. Vehicle driving through lane closure area to outside lane (early construction, southbound, midday) ..... 40
Figure 2.25. Vehicle driving through lane closure area to middle lane (early construction, southbound, midday) ..... 41
Figure 2.26. Multiple vehicles driving through lane closure area (early construction, southbound, midday) ..... 41
Figure 2.27. Vehicle stopped in gore area (late construction, southbound, night) ..... 42
Figure 4.1. MoDOT "Rate Our Work Zones" survey ..... 51
Figure 5.1. Beginning of southbound I-170 segment for safety analysis ..... 54
Figure 5.2. End of southbound I-170 segment for safety analysis ..... 54
Figure 5.3. Beginning of northbound I-170 segment for safety analysis ..... 55
Figure 5.4. End of northbound I-170 segment for safety analysis ..... 55
Figure 5.5. Crashes by month for I-170 southbound ..... 57
Figure 5.6. Crashes by type for I-170 southbound. ..... 58
Figure 5.7. Crashes by severity for I-170 southbound ..... 59
Figure 5.8. Crashes by light condition for I-170 southbound ..... 60
Figure 5.9. Crashes by road surface condition for I-170 southbound ..... 61
Figure 5.10. Crashes by month for I-170 northbound ..... 62
Figure 5.11. Crashes by type for I-170 northbound ..... 63
Figure 5.12. Crashes by severity for I-170 northbound ..... 64
Figure 5.13. Crashes by light condition for I-170 northbound ..... 65
Figure 5.14. Crashes by road surface condition for I-170 northbound ..... 66
Figure 5.15. Crashes during work zone period by type ..... 68
Figure 6.1. RITIS data query interface and detector deployment in St. Louis area. ..... 71
Figure 6.2. Screenshot of RITIS output ..... 72
Figure 6.3. RITIS data description ..... 73
Figure 6.4. Study area for operational analysis using RITIS ..... 74
Figure 6.5. Average travel time difference from three-week average travel time (HATT) ..... 77
Figure 6.6. Average travel time difference from year ago travel time (HYTT) ..... 77

## LIST OF TABLES

Table 1.1. Work zone split sign (Stage 2) construction schedule for December 2016 ..... 4
Table 2.1. Work zone split sign (Stage 2) data collection schedule ..... 10
Table 2.2. Summary of video monitoring time periods used for analysis ..... 23
Table 2.3. Results for sign visibility from drive-through videos ..... 25
Table 2.4. Observed traffic flows ..... 26
Table 2.5. Observed lane changes before gore point ..... 28
Table 2.6. Percent change in lane change rate by time period ..... 30
Table 2.7. Distribution of lane changes by time period ..... 32
Table 2.8. Distribution of vehicles by initial and final lane ..... 34
Table 2.9. Time headways for lane changes before gore point ..... 36
Table 3.1. List of questions for stakeholder interviews ..... 44
Table 3.2. Summary of interview responses from MoDOT personnel ..... 46
Table 3.3. Summary of interview responses from contractor personnel ..... 48
Table 5.1. Crashes by month for I-170 southbound. ..... 56
Table 5.2. Crashes by month for I-170 northbound ..... 62
Table 5.3. Summary of crashes during work zone period ..... 67
Table 5.4. Dates for work zone and alternative sign ..... 68
Table 6.1. AADT for the study routes in 2015 ..... 74
Table 6.2. Dates used for HATT and HYTT analyses ..... 75
Table 6.3. Calculated HATT and HYTT differences (seconds per mile) ..... 76
Table A.1. TMS Accident Browser output from selected fields for 2015 and 2016 crashes ..... 81

## ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

The authors would like to thank the sponsors for their financial support and technical assistance. The sponsors included the Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT), the Midwest Transportation Center, and the U.S. Department of Transportation Office of the Assistant Secretary for Research and Technology.

The authors appreciate the guidance provided by Jen Harper (MoDOT), Lee Hillner (MoDOT), Niall Jansson (MoDOT), Dan Smith (MoDOT), Julie Stotlemeyer (MoDOT), and Marc Thornsberry, (Federal Highway Administration). The authors thank Lee Hillner and Niall Jansson for helping to coordinate the field work and camera placement. The authors also express their gratitude to the MoDOT and contractor personnel who participated in the stakeholder interviews. The authors appreciate the efforts of Carson Bettendorf, Jacob Kaltenbronn, Jeremy Metz, John Perlik, and Eunice Wang in processing the video data.

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Effective signage that is easily understood facilitates safe driving through a work zone. The Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) (FHWA 2009) provides guidance on signage for temporary traffic control (TTC) in work zones. While the MUTCD guidance is suitable for many conditions, there may be instances where alternative signage may be more effective at enhancing safety.

In this project, the use of alternative signage for closure of a middle lane in a freeway work zone was evaluated based on its implementation at a work zone for a Missouri bridge rehabilitation project on I-170 near I-70 in December 2016. The work zone activity called for the shifting of three lanes, two lanes around one side and one lane around the other side of the work area. MUTCD signs W1-4 and W1-4b are shown in Figure ES.1, while the alternative sign tested in this study is shown in Figure ES.2. The alternative signage presented in Figure ES. 2 displays the lane arrangement in a single sign.


Figure ES.1. Horizontal alignment warning signs from MUTCD Section 6F


Figure ES.2. Alternative warning signs evaluated in this project

The evaluation included the following components:

- Collection and analysis of field videos to assess driver behavior
- Stakeholder interviews with Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) personnel and contractors to understand their perception of the alternative signage
- Investigation of driver responses on MoDOT's "Rate Our Work Zones" website
- Collection and analysis of crash data for the work zone period and the time period before the work zone was implemented
- Collection and processing of the Regional Integrated Transportation Information System (RITIS) travel time data to investigate operational impacts.

Both stationary and drive-through videos were collected from the work zone for 20 analysis periods based on the stage of construction (early or late construction), direction (northbound or southbound), and time of day (a.m. peak, p.m. peak, nighttime, weekday midday, and weekend midday). As determined from the drive-through videos, the average distance at which the sign became visible was around $1,637 \mathrm{ft}$ in the northbound direction and around $1,043 \mathrm{ft}$ in the southbound direction. These distances were based on a travel speed of 45 mph at the speed limit and travel times of 24.8 seconds in the northbound direction and 15.8 seconds in the southbound direction. These lead times indicate that the sign was sufficiently visible to drivers.

Stationary videos for four views from three camera locations in the work zone were recorded, and the videos from two of these views were processed manually to obtain data regarding traffic counts, lane changes, and unusual driver behavior. It was not necessary to process the videos from the other two views. Traffic counts by lane for each analysis period were generated from the analysis of the two videos. A total of 32,350 vehicles were counted during the 20 analysis periods. The flow rates for the a.m. and p.m. peaks were approximately 30 to 40 percent higher than the flow rates during midday on a weekday. The nighttime flow rates were generally the lowest, although the weekend flow rates were lowest for the northbound late construction period. The middle lane had the highest traffic counts for most of the analysis periods.

Lane changes over the 20 analysis periods were also processed from the videos. The results show that most lane changing activity occurred between the outside and middle lanes. The gore point was also located between the outside and middle lanes. Thus, the majority of the lane changing activity occurred at the gore point location. In addition, the average lane change rate generally decreased between the early and late construction periods. The percentage of vehicles starting in the outside lane before the work zone that remained in the outside lane increased from 73.8 percent in the early construction period to 85.7 percent in the late construction period. The decrease in lane changing activity during the later stages of construction may be due to drivers becoming more familiar with the work zone layout and signage as construction progressed. On average, vehicles changed lanes 8.32 seconds after the split sign and 7.97 seconds before the gore point. The locations of the lane changes relative to the split sign and gore point remained unchanged throughout the period of time when the split sign was in place.

Some unusual driver behavior was observed in the videos, including aggressive lane changes before and at the beginning of the gore point, vehicles driving across the lane closure area, and vehicles being stranded in the gore. The unusual driver behavior generally appeared to be related to aggressive driving and not to the presence of the alternative sign.

The general consensus of the MoDOT personnel and contractors who participated in the stakeholder interviews was that the alternative sign was a positive option because it communicated information more clearly than the MUTCD signs. However, the respondents had different perceptions on the impacts of the sign on work zone safety for drivers and construction workers. Some respondents thought the alternative sign improved safety while others indicated
that the safety level was the same because they did not think that drivers pay attention to the signs. Respondents did not think that the use of the alternative sign had any effect on work zone delays. The interviewees, both MODOT and contractor staff, were generally positive in their assessment of the alternative sign.

The survey responses from MoDOT's "Rate our Work Zones" survey were reviewed to determine if drivers gave any feedback regarding the use of the alternative signs. Drivers who completed the survey did not express any concerns regarding the use of the new split signs on the I-170 project.

Crash data from 2015 and 2016 were reviewed to assess possible safety impacts of the use of the alternative signage. A total of 265 crashes occurred in 2015 and 2016 on this section of I-170 between I-70 and St. Charles Rock Road. The most common types of crashes were rear-end, out of control, and passing crashes. The number of crashes generally decreased from 2015 to 2016, and there were 13 crashes on this section of I- 170 while the work zone was in place. The crash patterns during the work zone period were similar to the crash patterns before the work zone was in place. Almost all of the crashes during the work zone period were due to lane changing, passing, or rear-end collisions, although there was one crash caused by a vehicle losing control. A detailed review of the crash reports found that the use of the alternative sign did not appear to be a contributing factor to any of these crashes.

Travel time data from RITIS were processed to assess any operational impacts due to the use of the alternative sign. Travel time analysis was conducted on the I-170 work zone segment and in the vicinity of the work zone segment, including sections of I-170 upstream and downstream from the work zone and adjacent routes (I-70 and Natural Bridge Road). The analysis compared travel times during the period the alternative sign was in place (October 27, 2016 to November $16,2016)$ with the time period from one year earlier. The results showed that there were no significant travel time differences between the two time periods. Thus, the use of the alternative sign did not have any adverse impacts on operations in the vicinity of the work zone.

The investigation of the use of the alternative sign on the I-170 project found that the alternative sign has great potential for use on freeway work zones with lane closures in the middle lane. The stakeholders believed that it communicated information more effectively to drivers, and the use of the sign did not appear to create any adverse impacts on operations or safety.

## CHAPTER 1. INTRODUCTION

### 1.1 Motivation

The Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) (FHWA 2009) provides guidance on signage for temporary traffic control (TTC) in work zones. While the MUTCD guidance is suitable for many conditions, there may be instances where alternative signage may be more effective at enhancing safety. For example, consider the signage for a single freeway lane closure at the taper of a work zone. Section 6F. 24 in the MUTCD (FHWA 2009) recommends the option of using a graphical lane closed sign, W4-2, while the Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) uses alternative signage consisting of a MERGE/arrow sign on the closed-lane side and a RIGHT LANE CLOSED sign on the other side. A recent field study conducted by Edara and Sun (2014) found that MoDOT's alternative signage was more effective than the MUTCD signage with 11 percent more vehicles merging earlier into the open lane.

This project investigated the effectiveness of alternative signage for closure of a middle lane on a freeway. This research was performed at the work zone for the Missouri bridge rehabilitation project J6I2104 on I-70 at I-170. For this work zone, MoDOT used alternatives to the MUTCD W1-4 and W1-4b signs. The project, located in the St. Louis District, involved shifting three lanes, two lanes around one side and one lane around the other side of the work area. One concern with the standard MUTCD signage is that the traveling public must process both signs at the same time to understand how many lanes are available to travel around the work area. If drivers miss one sign due to vehicles blocking the view, they may think they have only one option and may make an aggressive lane shift to move into a perceived open lane instead of continuing in their original lane. The single alternative sign would inform the driver of all available lanes around the work area.

The primary objective of this project was to assess how well drivers responded to the alternative warning signs. The performance was measured qualitatively via surveys and interviews of users, contractors, and MoDOT personnel and quantitatively by using video monitoring, crash analysis, and travel time analysis.

### 1.2 Overview of MUTCD Guidance on Warning Signs

Section 6F. 16 of the MUTCD (FHWA 2009) provides guidance on the function, design, and application of warning signs in TTC zones. Warning signs notify users of specific situations or conditions on or adjacent to a roadway that might not otherwise be apparent. W1-4 and W1-4b (see Figure 1.1) are part of this family of warning signs directing traffic through work zones.


## Figure 1.1. Horizontal alignment warning signs from MUTCD Section 6F

W1-4b contains an upward-pointing black arrow that slants diagonally up and to the right and then straightens to a vertical direction. W1-4 shows two side-by-side upward-pointing black arrows that slant diagonally up and to the left and then straighten to a vertical direction. The combination of W1-4 and W1-4b notifies travelers that three contiguous lanes are being split into separate single lane (lane 1) and dual lanes (lanes 2 and 3 ). Alternately, the lane split can occur between lanes 2 and 3 into separate dual lanes (lanes 1 and 2 ) and single lane (lane 3 ).

As shown in Figure 1.1, drivers must notice both signs to understand that three lanes are open. If the drivers miss one of the two signs, they may incorrectly assume only one or only two lanes are open. The alternative signage presented in Figure 1.2. a eliminates that confusion by displaying the lane arrangement in a single sign. The optional sign in Figure 1.2.b can be placed at the end of work area when the lanes revert back to their original configuration.


Figure 1.2.a. Alternative warning sign evaluated in this project


Figure 1.2.b. Optional alternative warning sign

### 1.3 Overview of I-170 Work Zone

A work zone located on I-170 south of I-70 was selected as an ideal field site for investigating the use of the alternative warning signs. Figure 1.3 illustrates the general location of the work zone split traffic symbol sign project relative to the surrounding area.


Imagery © 2016 Google Map data © 2016 Google
Figure 1.3. Work zone site location map
The work zone was part of MoDOT project J6I2104, which included 12 bridge rehabilitations at the interchange of I-70 and I-170. The work zone began on November 30, 2016 and ended on December 31, 2016.

The work zone was divided into three stages, with the alternative split signs in use during the second stage. As shown in the construction schedule in Table 1.1, the southbound work zone split sign was posted December 7, 2016 and the northbound split sign was posted December 10, 2016.

Table 1.1. Work zone split sign (Stage 2) construction schedule for December 2016

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Dec 4 | Dec 5 | Dec 6 | Dec 7 | Dec 8 | Dec 9 | Dec 10 |
|  |  |  | SB Day 1 | SB Day 2 | SB Day 3 | SB Day 4 |
|  |  |  |  |  | NB Day 1 |  |
| Dec 11 | Dec 12 | Dec 13 | Dec 14 | Dec 15 | Dec 16 | Dec 17 |
| SB Day 5 | SB Day 6 | SB Day 7 | SB Day 8 | SB Day 9 | SB Day 10 | SB Day 11 |
| NB Day 2 | NB Day 3 | NB Day 4 | NB Day 5 | NB Day 6 | NB Day 7 | NB Day 8 |
| Dec 18 | Dec 19 | Dec 20 | Dec 21 | Dec 22 | Dec 23 | Dec 24 |
| SB Day 12 | SB Day 13 | SB Day 14 | SB Day 15 |  |  |  |
| NB Day 9 | NB Day 10 | NB Day 11 | NB Day 12 |  |  |  |

Both signs were removed on December 21, 2016. During the second stage of the project, one lane of traffic (lane 3) shifted to the right while two lanes of traffic (lanes 1 and 2) shifted to the left.

Figures 1.4 and 1.5 are sheets from the project traffic control plans that show the layout of the signage and markings in the split area. As shown in the figures, channelizers, white and yellow preformed removable marking tape, and an arrow board were used along with the split sign to delineate the vehicle paths for each lane.


MoDOT 2015a
Figure 1.4. Traffic control plan and signage for southbound I-170


MoDOT 2015a
Figure 1.5. Traffic control plan and signage for northbound I-170

The split sign was placed in advance of the gore point (Figure 1.6), while an arrow board was placed near the split itself in the northbound direction (Figure 1.7).


Figure 1.6. Work zone split sign on northbound I-170


Figure 1.7. Gore point on northbound I-170

In the field deployment, the optional sign shown in Figure 1.2.b was not utilized. The lanes tapered over a length of 840 ft at the beginning of the split.

### 1.4 Methodology Overview

Both qualitative and quantitative measures were used to evaluate the effectiveness of the alternative signs. The methods used for the assessment are as follows:

- Collection and analysis of drive-through videos to understand the driver's perspective and evaluate sign visibility
- Collection and processing of stationary videos to assess driver behavior
- Stakeholder interviews with contractor and MoDOT personnel to learn their views on the effectiveness of the signs
- Driver survey to obtain opinions about the signs' effectiveness from drivers who travelled through the work zone
- Analysis of crash data for the work zone period and time period prior to the work zone commencement
- Travel time analysis for the work zone period and time period prior to the work zone commencement

The rest of this report is as follows. Chapter 2 presents the methodology and results for the drivethrough and stationary videos. The stakeholder interviews are discussed in Chapter 3, while the driver survey is described in Chapter 4. The crash data and travel time analyses are presented in Chapters 5 and 6 , respectively. Chapter 7 includes the conclusions and summary of findings from the research.

## CHAPTER 2. VIDEO DATA COLLECTION AND ANALYSIS

To help gain insights into driver behavior with the new signs, video data were collected and analyzed. The video data included both drive-through videos and stationary videos. The drivethrough videos were used to help understand the driver's perspective of the signs and evaluate sign visibility. Stationary videos were analyzed to derive traffic counts and to evaluate driver behavior, including lane changes and unusual vehicle maneuvers.

### 2.1 Overview of Video Data

Video data of traffic entering the work zone area were collected during three separate video collection sessions: (1) prior to the placement of the split traffic symbol signs, (2) after the placement of the split traffic symbol signs when drivers were adapting to the new traffic patterns, and (3) before the removal of the split traffic symbol signs when drivers had adapted to the work zone traffic patterns.

During each of the video collection sessions, data were collected during five different traffic periods to capture driver behavior during diverse traffic conditions. The data collection periods were typically as follows:

1. Weekday a.m. commute period (7:00 to 9:00 a.m.)
2. Weekday midday commute period (11:00 to 1:00 p.m.)
3. Weekday p.m. commute period (4:00 to 6:00 p.m.)
4. Weekday nighttime commute period (8:00 to 10:00 p.m.)
5. Weekend commute period (11:00 to 1:00 p.m.)

To make the best use of the data collection efforts, video recording time periods were chosen based on peak hour traffic times. The traffic volume during the one-hour-long recording time was estimated for each scenario, as shown in Table 2.1. As noted, it was anticipated that a 20 percent diversion of traffic off of I-170 was to be expected due to the disruption of traffic flow during construction.

Table 2.1. Work zone split $\operatorname{sign}$ (Stage 2) data collection schedule

| Scenario | Duration | Time | Day | Typical <br> Hourly <br> Volume | Expected <br> Vehicle <br> Capture* |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| northbound a.m. | 1 Hour | $7-8$ a.m. | Tue-Thurs | 5,192 | 4,154 |
| northbound p.m. | 1 Hour | $4-5$ p.m. | Tue-Thurs | 6,099 | 4,879 |
| northbound midday | 1 Hour | $12-1$ p.m. | Tue-Thurs | 3,543 | 2,834 |
| northbound nighttime <br> period | 1 Hour | $8-9$ p.m. | Tue-Thurs | 2,793 | 2,234 |
| northbound weekend | 1 Hour | $12-1$ p.m. | Sat-Sun | 3,242 | 2,594 |
| southbound a.m. | 1 Hour | $7-8$ a.m. | Tue-Thurs | 5,840 | 4,672 |
| southbound p.m. | 1 Hour | $4-5 \mathrm{p.m}$. | Tue-Thurs | 4,744 | 3,795 |
| southbound midday | 1 Hour | $12-1$ p.m. | Tue-Thurs | 3,563 | 2,850 |
| southbound nighttime | 1 Hour | $8-9$ p.m. | Tue-Thurs | 2,175 | 1,740 |
| period | southbound weekend | 1 Hour | $12-1 \mathrm{p.m}$. | Sat-Sun | 3,417 |

*Note: Expected vehicle capture rate assumes $20 \%$ diversion of traffic off of I-170 during construction. Video data were collected prior to placement, post-placement, and before removal of work zone split traffic symbol signs for each scenario.

Two types of cameras were used for data collection. One type was the permanent MoDOT CCTV cameras and the other type was portable cameras deployed on tripods. Camera placements and fields of view were determined based on field topography and conditions, including side slopes, visual obstructions, and camera personnel safety. There were three camera/vantage points selected for data collection. One camera location showed views in both directions. Thus, there were a total of four camera views.

Two of the three camera locations used were the CCTV traffic cameras. Figure 2.1 illustrates the camera locations and viewpoints with respect to the video data collection.


Imagery © 2016 Google Map data © 2016 Google
Figure 2.1. Camera locations and views map

The far north camera (I-70 and I-170) was a MoDOT stationary camera used to record the southbound rear view of traffic entering the work zone. The middle camera (Natural Bridge Camera) was also a MoDOT stationary camera used to record the southbound front view and northbound front view of traffic entering the work zones. The far south camera was a portable camera located within MoDOT's right-of-way to record the northbound rear view of traffic entering the work zone. Existing preset settings of MoDOT CCTV cameras were used for recording; however, the handheld cameras required mounting setup. Also, all of the cameras used could record only one direction of travel at a time.

Screenshots from the four camera views are shown in Figures 2.2 through 2.5. The northbound back and southbound front views were used for the video analysis because they provided the best views of traffic approaching the work zone.


Figure 2.2. Screenshot of northbound front view stationary video


Figure 2.3. Screenshot of northbound back view stationary video


Figure 2.4. Screenshot of southbound front view stationary video


Figure 2.5. Screenshot of southbound back view stationary video

In addition to the stationary cameras, two cameras were mounted inside a test vehicle to capture views of drivers travelling through the work zone. A GoPro HERO5 Black 4K Ultra HD Action Camera was mounted to the center rear view mirror inside the vehicle to capture a side view of vehicles progressing through the work zone, and a handheld recording camera was mounted to the passenger seat to capture a driving view of vehicles progressing through the work zone. A minimum of two drive-through videos per scenario were captured. A total of 60 drive-through videos were collected during the earlier construction period, while 48 drive-through videos were collected during the later construction period. Sample screenshots for the videos can be seen in Figures 2.6 through 2.9.


Figure 2.6. Screenshot of front view northbound drive-through video


Figure 2.7. Screenshot of side view northbound drive-through video


Figure 2.8. Screenshot of front view southbound drive-through video


Figure 2.9. Screenshot of front view southbound drive-through video

### 2.2 Video Data Collection

The video data collection was completed in three separate sessions: pre-placement, postplacement, and before removal of the work zone split traffic symbol signs. The methods and activities undertaken for each session are described in the following sections.

### 2.2.1 Pre-placement of Signs Data Collection Session

Prior to the placement of the split traffic signs, video data were collected to capture a base record of drivers' natural behavior before the interruption in traffic movements during the abovementioned traffic periods. Data collection for the pre-placement session began November 30, 2016 and ended December 6, 2016.

During this session, approximately 20 hours of stationary video recordings and 47 drive-through video runs were collected. Figures 2.10, 2.11, and 2.12 show screenshot examples of videos collected during each data collection period in the northbound direction. The receding field of view shows the traffic traveling away from the camera.


Figure 2.10. Screenshots from northbound cameras before split sign placement (11/30/2016)


Figure 2.11. Screenshot from northbound camera before split sign placement (12/3/2016)


Figure 2.12. Screenshots from northbound cameras before split sign placement (12/6/2016)

Figure 2.13 shows screenshot examples of the drive-through camera views during the northbound a.m. peak commute period.


Figure 2.13. Screenshots from northbound drive-through cameras before split sign placement (12/6/2016)

### 2.2.2 Early Construction with Signs Data Collection Session

After placement of the split traffic signs, video data were collected to ascertain how drivers were adjusting to the new signs. Driver behavior, such as aggressive lane changes, erratic driving maneuvers, and/or significant speed variation, was noted. Data collection for this session began December 7, 2016 and ended December 14, 2016.

During this session, approximately 20 hours of stationary video recordings and 60 drive-through video runs were collected. Figures 2.14 and 2.15 are screenshot examples of traffic during each data collection period from the southbound direction camera position. The approaching field of view shows traffic traveling towards the camera.


Figure 2.14. Screenshots from southbound cameras during early construction with split signs (12/7/2016)


Figure 2.15. Screenshots from southbound cameras during early construction with split signs (12/10/2016)

Figure 2.16 shows screenshot examples of the drive-through camera views during the southbound a.m. peak commute period.


Figure 2.16. Screenshots from southbound drive-through cameras during early construction with split signs (12/8/2016)

### 2.2.3 Late Construction with Signs Data Collection Session

Before the removal of the split traffic signs, video data were collected to confirm whether drivers had adjusted to the interruption in traffic movements. Data collection for this session began December 11, 2016 and ended December 18, 2016.

During this session, approximately 21 hours of stationary video recordings and 48 drive-through video runs were collected. Figures 2.17 and 2.18 show screenshot examples of traffic during each data collection period from the northbound camera position. The receding field of view shows the traffic traveling away from the camera.


Figure 2.17. Screenshots from northbound cameras during late construction with split signs (12/15/2016)


Figure 2.18. Screenshots from northbound cameras during late construction with split signs (12/17/2016)

Figure 2.19 shows screenshot examples of the drive-through camera views during a weekday evening.


Figure 2.19. Screenshots from northbound drive-through cameras during late construction with split signs (12/15/2016)

### 2.3 Analysis of Video Data

Both the stationary and drive-through field videos were processed visually to generate traffic counts and assess how drivers reacted to the new signs. The evaluation of driver behavior included lane changes and aggressive driver maneuvers. In addition, the visibility of the signs was estimated from the drive-through videos.

### 2.3.1 Time Periods

Table 2.2 summarizes the time periods that were used for the analysis.

Table 2.2. Summary of video monitoring time periods used for analysis

| Time <br> Period ID | Direction | Construction <br> Period | Traffic <br> Period | Drive-Through <br> Video Date | Stationary <br> Video Date |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | NB | early | a.m. peak | $12 / 13 / 16$ | $12 / 13 / 16$ |
| 2 | NB | early | p.m. peak | $12 / 13 / 16$ | $12 / 13 / 16$ |
| 3 | NB | early | midday | $12 / 14 / 16$ | $12 / 13 / 16$ |
| 4 | NB | early | night | $12 / 13 / 16$ | $12 / 13 / 16$ |
| 5 | NB | early | weekend | $12 / 11 / 16$ | $12 / 11 / 16$ |
| 6 | SB | early | a.m. peak | $12 / 9 / 16$ | $12 / 7 / 16$ |
| 7 | SB | early | p.m. peak | $12 / 8 / 16$ | $12 / 7 / 16$ |
| 8 | SB | early | midday | $12 / 9 / 16$ | $12 / 7 / 16$ |
| 9 | SB | early | night | $12 / 8 / 16$ | $12 / 7 / 16$ |
| 10 | SB | early | weekend | $12 / 11 / 16$ | $12 / 10 / 16$ |
| 11 | NB | late | a.m. peak | $12 / 15 / 16$ | $12 / 15 / 16$ |
| 12 | NB | late | p.m. peak | $12 / 15 / 16$ | $12 / 14 / 16$ |
| 13 | NB | late | midday | $12 / 15 / 16$ | $12 / 15 / 16$ |
| 14 | NB | late | night | $12 / 15 / 16$ | $12 / 15 / 16$ |
| 15 | NB | late | weekend | $12 / 18 / 16$ | $12 / 18 / 18$ |
| 16 | SB | late | a.m. peak | $12 / 13 / 16$ | $12 / 13 / 16$ |
| 17 | SB | late | p.m. peak | $12 / 13 / 16$ | $12 / 13 / 16$ |
| 18 | SB | late | midday | $12 / 14 / 16$ | $12 / 13 / 16$ |
| 19 | SB | late | night | $12 / 13 / 16$ | $12 / 13 / 16$ |
| 20 | SB | late | weekend | $12 / 18 / 16$ | $12 / 11 / 16$ |

These time periods account for two directions. In addition, driver behavior during the earlier and later stages of the work zone was analyzed separately to determine if drivers behaved differently after becoming familiar with the new work zone split signs.

### 2.3.2 Performance Measures

### 2.3.2.1 Performance Measures for Drive-Through Videos

The drive-through videos were used to understand the driver's perspective, observe any unusual driver behavior, and assess the visibility of the sign. The following time stamps were recorded from the front view videos: time stamp at which the split sign was first visible to the driver, time stamp when the vehicle passed the split sign, and time stamp when the vehicle passed the gore point. These time stamps were used to calculate the time headway for sign visibility and the travel time from the split sign to the gore nose. The time headway for sign visibility was calculated as the difference between the times when the vehicle passed the split sign and when the split sign first became visible. The travel time between the gore nose and split sign was calculated as the difference between the times when the vehicle passed the gore point and the split sign.

### 2.3.2.2 Performance Measures for Stationary Videos

Various performance measures were obtained through the visual processing of the stationary videos. These performance measures are as follows:

- Vehicle counts by lane
- Number of lane changes by initial and final lane
- Time headway between lane change location and split sign
- Time headway between lane change location and gore point

For each of the 20 video monitoring time periods, vehicle counts by lane were recorded in 5minute intervals until a minimum of 1,500 vehicles were counted for each time period. Once 1,500 vehicles were counted, the traffic counts were completed for the current 5-minute interval. In addition, the following data were recorded for each lane change in advance of the work zone: initial lane position, final lane position, time stamp when lane changing vehicle passed the split sign, time stamp when the vehicle started to change lanes, and time stamp when the lane changing vehicle passed the gore point. These data were used to derive the total number of lane changes, their distribution by lane, and the location of the lane changes relative to the split sign and gore nose. The analysis period for the lane changing corresponded to the period of time for the vehicle counts.

In addition to these performance measures, any unusual driver behavior such as aggressive lane changes was noted for the time period during which the traffic counts were recorded. The time stamp for the unusual driver behavior was recorded, and screenshots were captured for each event.

### 2.4 Results of Video Data Analysis

### 2.4.1 Sign Visibility

The results for sign visibility and the travel time between the sign and the gore point based on the drive-through videos are shown in Table 2.3.

Table 2.3. Results for sign visibility from drive-through videos

|  | Time headway for <br> sign visibility (s) | Travel time between <br> sign and gore point (s) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Northbound |  |  |
| Average | 24.8 | 17.2 |
| Standard Deviation | 4.0 | 2.2 |
| Minimum | 20.3 | 15.2 |
| Maximum | 35.0 | 24.1 |
| Number of Observations |  | 24 |
| Southbound |  |  |
| Average | 15.8 | 8.6 |
| Standard Deviation | 4.2 | 3.3 |
| Minimum | 11.8 | 5.4 |
| Maximum | 31.7 | 21.3 |
| Number of Observations |  | 29 |
|  | Overall |  |
| Average | 19.9 |  |
| Standard Deviation | 6.1 |  |
| Minimum | 11.8 | 5.5 |
| Maximum | 35.0 | 5.4 |
| Number of Observations |  | 53 |

As shown in the table, the average time at which the sign became visible was 24.8 seconds in the northbound direction and 15.8 seconds in the southbound direction. Based on the work zone speed limit of 45 mph , these time headways correspond to distances of 1637 ft and 1043 ft , respectively. These results indicate that the sign was sufficiently visible to drivers considering the guidance provided by the US Sign Council (Bertucci 2006). The sign became visible earlier in the northbound direction than the southbound direction. This could be due to differences in sight distance or horizontal curvature. The average travel time between the split sign and gore point was 17.2 seconds in the northbound direction and 8.6 seconds in the southbound direction. The higher travel time for the northbound direction could be caused by differences in travel conditions during the time that the video was recorded or possible differences in where the sign was placed relative to the gore point.

### 2.4.2 Traffic Counts

Table 2.4 summarizes the results for the traffic flows derived from the counts in units of vehicles per hour (vph).

Table 2.4. Observed traffic flows

| Time Period ID | Direction | Construction Period | Traffic Period | Duration of Counts (min) | Flow rate (vph) |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  | Lane 3* | Lane 2* | Lane 1* | Total |
| 1 | NB | early | a.m. peak | 25 | 1106 | 1310 | 1510 | 3926 |
| 2 | NB | early | p.m. peak | 25 | 1128 | 1399 | 1531 | 4058 |
| 3 | NB | early | midday | 33 | 710 | 1220 | 1028 | 2958 |
| 4 | NB | early | night | 45 | 499 | 1059 | 681 | 2239 |
| 5 | NB | early | weekend | 35 | 590 | 1089 | 914 | 2592 |
| 6 | SB | early | a.m. peak | 25 | 168 | 1687 | 1793 | 3648 |
| 7 | SB | early | p.m. peak | 25 | 418 | 1824 | 1560 | 3802 |
| 8 | SB | early | midday | 40 | 426 | 1559 | 884 | 2868 |
| 9 | SB | early | night | 55 | 193 | 981 | 464 | 1637 |
| 10 | SB | early | weekend | 35 | 490 | 1479 | 926 | 2895 |
| 11 | NB | late | a.m. peak | 20 | 1287 | 1590 | 1650 | 4527 |
| 12 | NB | late | p.m. peak | 20 | 1218 | 1896 | 1950 | 5064 |
| 13 | NB | late | midday | 33 | 765 | 1207 | 1115 | 3087 |
| 14 | NB | late | night | 30 | 764 | 1292 | 972 | 3028 |
| 15 | NB | late | weekend | 45 | 567 | 892 | 583 | 2041 |
| 16 | SB | late | a.m. peak | 25 | 1001 | 1570 | 1687 | 4258 |
| 17 | SB | late | p.m. peak | 25 | 691 | 1658 | 1502 | 3852 |
| 18 | SB | late | midday | 35 | 502 | 1406 | 941 | 2849 |
| 19 | SB | late | night | 62 | 273 | 777 | 353 | 1402 |
| 20 | SB | late | weekend | 40 | 381 | 1259 | 744 | 2384 |

[^0]The flow rates for the a.m. and p.m. peaks were approximately 30 to 40 percent higher than the flow rates during midday on a weekday. The nighttime flow rates were generally the lowest, although the weekend flow rates were lowest for the northbound late construction period. The middle lane had the highest traffic counts for most of the analysis periods. The high flow rates for all time periods confirm that I-170 is a busy urban freeway corridor.

### 2.4.3 Lane Changes

Table 2.5 summarizes the results for the number of lane changes per hour before the gore point by initial and final lane. Lane 1 is the median lane, lane 2 is the middle lane, and lane 3 is the outside lane.

Table 2.5. Observed lane changes before gore point

| Time <br> Period ID | Direction | Construction Period | Traffic Period | Rate of Lane Changes Per Hour (veh/hr) (Initial Lane - Final Lane) |  |  |  |  |  | Lane Changes (veh/hr) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | 3-2* | 3-1* | 2-3* | 2-1* | 1-3* | 1-2* |  |
| 1 | NB | early | a.m. peak | 137 | 0 | 180 | 77 | 2 | 89 | 485 |
| 2 | NB | early | p.m. peak | 115 | 2 | 79 | 34 | 14 | 36 | 281 |
| 3 | NB | early | midday | 90 | 12 | 107 | 86 | 14 | 47 | 355 |
| 4 | NB | early | night | 131 | 0 | 99 | 59 | 0 | 56 | 344 |
| 5 | NB | early | weekend | 213 | 0 | 177 | 115 | 0 | 75 | 579 |
| 6 | SB | early | a.m. peak | 149 | 0 | 38 | 48 | 0 | 24 | 259 |
| 7 | SB | early | p.m. peak | 182 | 0 | 110 | 84 | 0 | 12 | 389 |
| 8 | SB | early | midday | 215 | 0 | 71 | 86 | 0 | 15 | 386 |
| 9 | SB | early | night | 68 | 0 | 58 | 20 | 0 | 13 | 158 |
| 10 | SB | early | weekend | 199 | 0 | 51 | 48 | 0 | 22 | 321 |
| 11 | NB | late | a.m. peak | 54 | 0 | 99 | 117 | 0 | 114 | 384 |
| 12 | NB | late | p.m. peak | 39 | 0 | 45 | 33 | 0 | 81 | 198 |
| 13 | NB | late | midday | 56 | 0 | 78 | 107 | 0 | 78 | 319 |
| 14 | NB | late | night | 112 | 0 | 102 | 62 | 0 | 52 | 328 |
| 15 | NB | late | weekend | 73 | 0 | 112 | 99 | 0 | 41 | 325 |
| 16 | SB | late | a.m. peak | 86 | 2 | 26 | 5 | 7 | 2 | 130 |
| 17 | SB | late | p.m. peak | 216 | 0 | 79 | 43 | 0 | 14 | 353 |
| 18 | SB | late | midday | 178 | 9 | 45 | 3 | 0 | 5 | 240 |
| 19 | SB | late | night | 72 | 0 | 18 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 91 |
| 20 | SB | late | weekend | 170 | 0 | 50 | 15 | 5 | 6 | 245 |
| Average (Early Construction) |  |  |  | 150 | 1 | 97 | 65 | 3 | 39 | 356 |
| Standard Deviation (Early Construction) |  |  |  | 51 | 4 | 49 | 29 | 6 | 27 | 117 |
| Average (Late Construction) |  |  |  | 106 | 1 | 65 | 49 | 1 | 39 | 261 |
| Standard Deviation (Late Construction) |  |  |  | 61 | 3 | 33 | 45 | 3 | 41 | 98 |
| Average (All Time Periods) |  |  |  | 128 | 1 | 81 | 57 | 2 | 39 | 308 |
| Standard Deviation (All Time Periods) |  |  |  | 59 | 3 | 44 | 38 | 4 | 34 | 116 |

[^1]The results show that most lane changing activity occurred between the outside and middle lanes. The gore point was also located between the outside and middle lane. Therefore, the majority of the lane changing activity occurred where the gore point was located. Frequent lane changes also occurred between the middle lane and the median lane. In addition, the average lane change rate generally decreased between the early construction period and the late construction period.

To further investigate differences in lane changing activity during the early and late construction periods, the difference in lane change rate was calculated for each combination of initial and final lane, direction, and time of day. The results for this analysis are shown in Table 2.6.

Table 2.6. Percent change in lane change rate by time period

|  | Traffic | Percent Change in Lane Change Rate ${ }^{* *}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Direction | Period | $\mathbf{3 - 2}$ | $\mathbf{3 - 1 *}$ | $\mathbf{2 - 3}$ | $\mathbf{2 - 1}$ | $\mathbf{1 - \mathbf { 3 } ^ { * }}$ | $\mathbf{1 - 2}$ |
| NB | a.m. peak | -60.5 | $* * *$ | -45.0 | 52.3 | -100.0 | 28.4 |
| NB | p.m. peak | -66.1 | -100.0 | -43.2 | -1.8 | -100.0 | 125.0 |
| NB | midday | -37.3 | -100.0 | -27.3 | 24.8 | -100.0 | 66.7 |
| NB | night | -15.8 | $* * *$ | 3.4 | 5.7 | $* * *$ | -7.1 |
| NB | weekend | -65.5 | $* * *$ | -36.6 | -14.1 | $* * *$ | -45.2 |
| SB | a.m. peak | -41.9 | $* * *$ | -31.3 | -90.0 | $* * *$ | -90.0 |
| SB | p.m. peak | 18.4 | $* * *$ | -28.3 | -48.6 | $* * *$ | 20.0 |
| SB | midday | -16.9 | $* * *$ | -36.8 | -96.0 | $* * *$ | -65.7 |
| SB | night | 6.6 | $* * *$ | -69.7 | -95.0 | $* * *$ | -100.0 |
| SB | weekend | -14.8 | $* * *$ | -3.7 | -68.8 | $* * *$ | -73.1 |
| All Time Periods |  | -29.5 | -22.1 | -32.7 | -25.9 | -61.6 | 1.2 |

[^2]In comparing the late construction time period to the early construction time period, it can be seen that the rate of lane changing from the outside lane to the middle lane decreased for all time periods except for the southbound p.m. peak and nighttime periods. The rate of lane changing from the middle lane to the outside lane also decreased for all time periods except for the northbound nighttime period. Lane changes between the middle and median lanes also generally decreased during the latter stages of construction although they increased during the northbound a.m. peak and daytime periods.

Tables 2.5 and 2.6 show that the lane changing activity generally decreased toward the end of the time period when the work zone was in place. This result may be due to drivers becoming more familiar with the work zone layout and signage as construction progressed.

Table 2.7 shows the distribution of lane changes for each time period.

Table 2.7. Distribution of lane changes by time period

| Time Period ID | Direction | Construction Period | Traffic Period | Total No. of Lane Changes | Duration (min) | Percent of Total Lane Changes (Initial Lane - Final Lane) |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 3-2* | 3-1* | 2-3* | 2-1* | 1-3* | 1-2* |
| 1 | NB | early | a.m. peak | 202 | 25 | 28.2 | 0.0 | 37.1 | 15.8 | 0.5 | 18.3 |
| 2 | NB | early | p.m. peak | 117 | 25 | 41.0 | 0.9 | 28.2 | 12.0 | 5.1 | 12.8 |
| 3 | NB | early | midday | 182 | 31 | 25.3 | 3.3 | 30.2 | 24.2 | 3.8 | 13.2 |
| 4 | NB | early | night | 258 | 45 | 38.0 | 0.0 | 28.7 | 17.1 | 0.0 | 16.3 |
| 5 | NB | early | weekend | 338 | 35 | 36.7 | 0.0 | 30.5 | 19.8 | 0.0 | 13.0 |
| 6 | SB | early | a.m. peak | 108 | 25 | 57.4 | 0.0 | 14.8 | 18.5 | 0.0 | 9.3 |
| 7 | SB | early | p.m. peak | 162 | 25 | 46.9 | 0.0 | 28.4 | 21.6 | 0.0 | 3.1 |
| 8 | SB | early | midday | 257 | 40 | 55.6 | 0.0 | 18.3 | 22.2 | 0.0 | 3.9 |
| 9 | SB | early | night | 145 | 55 | 42.8 | 0.0 | 36.6 | 12.4 | 0.0 | 8.3 |
| 10 | SB | early | weekend | 187 | 35 | 62.0 | 0.0 | 16.0 | 15.0 | 0.0 | 7.0 |
| 11 | NB | late | a.m. peak | 128 | 20 | 14.1 | 0.0 | 25.8 | 30.5 | 0.0 | 29.7 |
| 12 | NB | late | p.m. peak | 66 | 20 | 19.7 | 0.0 | 22.7 | 16.7 | 0.0 | 40.9 |
| 13 | NB | late | midday | 176 | 33 | 17.6 | 0.0 | 24.4 | 33.5 | 0.0 | 24.4 |
| 14 | NB | late | night | 164 | 30 | 34.1 | 0.0 | 31.1 | 18.9 | 0.0 | 15.9 |
| 15 | NB | late | weekend | 244 | 45 | 22.5 | 0.0 | 34.4 | 30.3 | 0.0 | 12.7 |
| 16 | SB | late | a.m. peak | 54 | 25 | 66.7 | 1.9 | 20.4 | 3.7 | 5.6 | 1.9 |
| 17 | SB | late | p.m. peak | 147 | 25 | 61.2 | 0.0 | 22.4 | 12.2 | 0.0 | 4.1 |
| 18 | SB | late | midday | 140 | 35 | 74.3 | 3.6 | 18.6 | 1.4 | 0.0 | 2.1 |
| 19 | SB | late | night | 93 | 62 | 79.6 | 0.0 | 19.4 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 20 | SB | late | weekend | 163 | 40 | 69.3 | 0.0 | 20.2 | 6.1 | 1.8 | 2.5 |
| Early Construction Time Periods Late Construction Time Periods All Time Periods |  |  |  | 1956 | 341 | 42.1 | 0.4 | 27.3 | 18.4 | 0.9 | 10.9 |
|  |  |  |  | 1375 | 335 | 40.5 | 0.4 | 25.0 | 18.6 | 0.4 | 15.1 |
|  |  |  |  | 3331 | 675 | 41.4 | 0.4 | 26.3 | 18.5 | 0.7 | 12.7 |

[^3]These results again show that lane changes predominantly occurred between the outside and middle lanes. Approximately 40 percent of the lane changes were from the outside lane to the middle lane during both the early construction and late construction time periods, while approximately 25 percent of the lane changes were from the middle lane to the outside lane. An additional 30 percent of the lane changes were between the median and middle lanes. Relatively few lane changes of more than one lane occurred.

The distribution of vehicles by initial and final lane is provided in Table 2.8.

Table 2.8. Distribution of vehicles by initial and final lane

| Time Period ID | Direction | Construction Period | Traffic Period | Percent of Vehicles by Initial and Final Lane |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | Initial Lane 3* |  |  | Initial Lane 2* |  |  | Initial Lane 1* |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | Final Lane |  |  | Final Lane |  |  | Final Lane |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 3* | 2* | 1* | 3* | 2* | 1* | 3* | 2* | 1* |
| 1 | NB | early | a.m. peak | 87.6 | 12.4 | 0.0 | 13.7 | 80.4 | 5.9 | 0.2 | 5.9 | 94.0 |
| 2 | NB | early | p.m. peak | 89.6 | 10.2 | 0.2 | 5.7 | 91.9 | 2.4 | 0.9 | 2.4 | 96.7 |
| 3 | NB | early | midday | 86.6 | 11.9 | 1.6 | 8.3 | 85.1 | 6.6 | 1.3 | 4.3 | 94.5 |
| 4 | NB | early | night | 73.8 | 26.2 | 0.0 | 9.3 | 85.1 | 5.5 | 0.0 | 8.2 | 91.8 |
| 5 | NB | early | weekend | 64.0 | 36.0 | 0.0 | 16.2 | 73.2 | 10.6 | 0.0 | 8.3 | 91.7 |
| 6 | SB | early | a.m. peak | 11.4 | 88.6 | 0.0 | 2.3 | 94.9 | 2.8 | 0.0 | 1.3 | 98.7 |
| 7 | SB | early | p.m. peak | 56.3 | 43.7 | 0.0 | 6.1 | 89.3 | 4.6 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 99.2 |
| 8 | SB | early | midday | 49.6 | 50.4 | 0.0 | 4.5 | 90.0 | 5.5 | 0.0 | 1.7 | 98.3 |
| 9 | SB | early | night | 65.0 | 35.0 | 0.0 | 5.9 | 92.1 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 2.8 | 97.2 |
| 10 | SB | early | weekend | 59.4 | 40.6 | 0.0 | 3.5 | 93.3 | 3.2 | 0.0 | 2.4 | 97.6 |
| 11 | NB | late | a.m. peak | 95.8 | 4.2 | 0.0 | 6.2 | 86.4 | 7.4 | 0.0 | 6.9 | 93.1 |
| 12 | NB | late | p.m. peak | 96.8 | 3.2 | 0.0 | 2.4 | 95.9 | 1.7 | 0.0 | 4.2 | 95.8 |
| 13 | NB | late | midday | 92.7 | 7.3 | 0.0 | 6.5 | 84.7 | 8.9 | 0.0 | 7.0 | 93.0 |
| 14 | NB | late | night | 85.3 | 14.7 | 0.0 | 7.9 | 87.3 | 4.8 | 0.0 | 5.3 | 94.7 |
| 15 | NB | late | weekend | 87.1 | 12.9 | 0.0 | 12.6 | 76.4 | 11.1 | 0.0 | 7.1 | 92.9 |
| 16 | SB | late | a.m. peak | 91.1 | 8.6 | 0.2 | 1.7 | 98.0 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 99.4 |
| 17 | SB | late | p.m. peak | 68.8 | 31.3 | 0.0 | 4.8 | 92.6 | 2.6 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 99.0 |
| 18 | SB | late | midday | 62.8 | 35.5 | 1.7 | 3.2 | 96.6 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 99.5 |
| 19 | SB | late | night | 73.6 | 26.4 | 0.0 | 2.3 | 97.6 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 |
| 20 | SB | late | weekend | 55.5 | 44.5 | 0.0 | 3.9 | 94.9 | 1.2 | 0.6 | 0.8 | 98.6 |
| Early Construction Time Periods Late Construction Time Periods All Time Periods |  |  |  | 73.8 | 25.9 | 0.2 | 7.1 | 88.1 | 4.8 | 0.3 | 3.4 | 96.3 |
|  |  |  |  | 85.7 | 14.2 | 0.1 | 4.8 | 91.6 | 3.6 | 0.1 | 3.4 | 96.5 |
|  |  |  |  | 80.5 | 19.3 | 0.2 | 6.0 | 89.9 | 4.2 | 0.2 | 3.4 | 96.4 |

[^4]The table confirms that lane changing decreased during the later construction period, especially lane changing from the outside lane. The percentage of vehicles starting in the outside lane before the work zone that remained in the outside lane increased from 73.8 percent in the early construction period to 85.7 percent in the late construction period. Conversely, 25.9 and 14.2 percent of these vehicles switched to the middle lane in the early and late construction periods, respectively. The percentage of middle lane vehicles remaining in the middle lane increased from 88.1 percent to 91.6 percent between the early construction and late construction periods. Lane changes by vehicles in the median lane were relatively infrequent, in that approximately 96 percent of these vehicles remained in the median lane during both the early construction and late construction time periods. The results from Table 2.8 indicate that drivers may have become more familiar with the work zone layout and signage as the construction progressed and therefore tended to stay in their lane more frequently than during the early stages of the work zone implementation.

In addition to the number of lane changes by lane, the locations of the lane changes relative to the split sign and gore point were also analyzed. Table 2.9 summarizes the time headways between the lane change and split sign and between the lane change and the gore point.

Table 2.9. Time headways for lane changes before gore point

| Time Period ID | Direction | Construction Period | Traffic Period | Gap from Lane Change to Gore Point (sec)** |  | Gap from Sign to Lane Change (sec) |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | Average | Std. Dev. | Average | Std. Dev. |
| 1 | NB | early | a.m. peak | 9.37 | 5.33 | 13.12 | 8.68 |
| 2 | NB | early | p.m. peak | 8.39 | 6.63 | 19.88 | 7.50 |
| 3 | NB | early | midday | 7.26 | 3.36 | 8.26 | 3.82 |
| 4 | NB | early | night | 6.72 | 4.18 | 11.26 | 7.03 |
| 5 | NB | early | weekend | 9.09 | 4.18 | 7.62 | 5.31 |
| 6 | SB | early | a.m. peak | 4.45 | 3.01 | 7.14 | 4.33 |
| 7 | SB | early | p.m. peak | 4.20 | 2.72 | 5.45 | 4.19 |
| 8 | SB | early | midday | 3.16 | 4.06 | 3.57 | 2.09 |
| 9 | SB | early | night | 2.56 | 1.42 | 3.58 | 1.70 |
| 10 | SB | early | weekend | 2.93 | 1.79 | 3.79 | 1.86 |
| 11 | NB | late | a.m. peak | 8.59 | 4.74 | 7.55 | 4.27 |
| 12 | NB | late | p.m. peak | 12.28 | 8.89 | 18.98 | 8.82 |
| 13 | NB | late | midday | 6.79 | 3.86 | 8.12 | 4.27 |
| 14 | NB | late | night | 7.92 | 4.33 | 9.29 | 5.25 |
| 15 | NB | late | weekend | 8.40 | 4.19 | 7.96 | 4.76 |
| 16 | SB | late | a.m. peak | 6.08 | 3.37 | 4.17 | 2.52 |
| 17 | SB | late | p.m. peak | 3.63 | 1.88 | 6.16 | 2.27 |
| 18 | SB | late | midday | 2.74 | 1.12 | 2.90 | 1.29 |
| 19 | SB | late | night | 2.32 | 1.14 | 8.35 | 1.46 |
| 20 | SB | late | weekend | 2.82 | 1.42 | 9.29 | 2.42 |
| Early Time Periods |  |  |  | 7.97 | 6.75 | 6.08 | 4.71 |
| Late Time Periods |  |  |  | 7.98 | 5.18 | 6.09 | 4.71 |
| All Time Periods |  |  |  | 7.97 | 3.58 | 8.32 | 4.19 |

[^5]On average, vehicles changed lanes 8.32 seconds after the split sign and 7.97 seconds before the gore point. Based on the work zone speed limit of 45 mph , these time headways correspond to distances of 549 ft and 526 ft , respectively. In comparing the values between the early and late construction time periods, it can be seen that the average values for both time headways are nearly identical. This result indicates that the locations of the lane changes relative to the split sign and gore point remained unchanged throughout the period of time when the alternative split sign was in place.

### 2.4.4 Driver Behavior

Some unusual driver behavior was observed in the videos, including aggressive lane changes before and at the gore point, vehicles driving across the lane closure area, and vehicles being stranded in the gore. Several aggressive lane changes before the gore point were observed. Examples of these are shown in Figures 2.20 and 2.21.


Figure 2.20. Tractor-trailer making aggressive lane change causing queue (early construction, northbound, morning peak)


Figure 2.21. Tractor-trailer making aggressive lane change causing following vehicle to change lanes (early construction, northbound, morning peak)

In the event shown in Figure 2.20, a tractor-trailer made an aggressive lane change from the outside lane to middle lane and caused a vehicle queue to develop. In another event (Figure 2.21), a tractor-trailer suddenly changed lanes and applied the brakes, causing the vehicle following behind to move into a different lane.

Several aggressive lane changes near the gore were captured in the videos. Examples of these events are shown in Figures 2.22 and 2.23. In both examples, vehicles traveled within the triangular gore area by traversing solid white lines.


Figure 2.22. Lane change near the gore example 1 (late construction, southbound, midday)


Figure 2.23. Lane change near the gore example 2 (late construction, southbound, midday)

Several events in which vehicles drove through the lane closure area were observed in the videos. Examples of these events are shown in Figures 2.24 through 2.26. Multiple vehicles can be seen driving through the lane closure area in Figure 2.26.


Figure 2.24. Vehicle driving through lane closure area to outside lane (early construction, southbound, midday)


Figure 2.25. Vehicle driving through lane closure area to middle lane (early construction, southbound, midday)


Figure 2.26. Multiple vehicles driving through lane closure area (early construction, southbound, midday)

During the processing of the drive-through videos, an event in which a vehicle was stopped in the gore area was observed. A screenshot of this event is shown in Figure 2.27.


Figure 2.27. Vehicle stopped in gore area (late construction, southbound, night)

### 2.4.5 Summary of Results of Video Data Analysis

Overall, the results of the video analysis showed that the number of lane changes decreased from the early construction period to the late construction period. The most frequent lane changing occurred between the outside and middle lanes. The reduction in lane changing behavior could be due to driver acclimation to the work zone, including the work zone split sign. While the rate of lane changing decreased, the locations of the lane changes relative to the alternative sign and the gore point remained the same. Several types of unusual driver behavior such as aggressive lane changes before and at the gore point, vehicles driving across the lane closure area, and vehicles being stranded in the gore area were observed in the videos. The unusual driver behavior generally appears to be related to aggressive driving and not to the presence of the alternative sign.

## CHAPTER 3. STAKEHOLDER INTERVIEWS

### 3.1 Overview and Methodology

To gain further insights into the possible impacts of using the alternative sign, the research team conducted interviews with stakeholders for the project. Two groups of stakeholders were involved in the investigation of the work zone split traffic signs: the contractor personnel group and MoDOT personnel group. In total, there were four contractors and five MoDOT personnel respondents interviewed within each group for the investigation. The purpose of the interviews was to obtain the perspectives of the two groups on the effectiveness of the signs. Each person responded to a set of questions tailored towards their experience, knowledge, and usage of the split traffic work zone signs. Their responses were reported and documented.

In contrast to the stakeholders' participation described in the proposal, which anticipated two rounds of interviews-one after the placement of the signs and the other before the removal of the signs-only one round of interviews was completed due to the shortness of the construction schedule.

The interviews included questions about the interviewees' experience with work zones containing middle lane closures, their observations of driver behavior under both the MUTCD sign and the alternative sign, and their opinions on whether the use of the alternative sign helped to improve safety. Interviewees were also asked if they had any suggestions for ways in which the implementation of the alternative sign could be improved. A complete list of interview questions is shown in Table 3.1.

Table 3.1. List of questions for stakeholder interviews
No. Question

1 For how long has the alternative sign been in place in the work zone?
2 How many work zones have you been involved with in which lanes are available around both sides of a work zone? (Answer: 0, 1-3, 4-10, 10 or more)
3* Have you driven through the work zone?
4* As a driver, do you think that the alternative sign was more or less effective than the MUTCD sign in getting your attention and communicating information? Please explain.
How frequently would you estimate that you have observed the following types of driving behavior while the alternative sign has been in place? (Answers: never, rarely,
5 sometimes, frequently)
a. Aggressive lane changes
b. Erratic driver maneuvers
c. Driver honking horn

Based on your experience, how frequently would you estimate that you have observed the following types of driving behavior in similar work zones with the MUTCD sign
6 configuration? (Answers: never, rarely, sometimes, frequently)
a. Aggressive lane changes
b. Erratic driver maneuvers
c. Driver honking horn

7 Compare work zone safety for drivers between the alternative signage and the MUTCD signage.
Answers: \{Alternative is much safer\} \{Alternative is safer\} \{Same \} \{MUTCD is safer\} \{MUTCD is much safer\}
Please explain your answer.
8 Compare work zone safety for construction workers between the alternative signage and the MUTCD signage.
Answers: \{Alternative is much safer\} \{Alternative is safer\} \{Same\} \{MUTCD is safer\} \{MUTCD is much safer\}
Please explain your answer.
Do you feel that work zone delay for drivers has increased, decreased, or remained the
9 same with the use of the alternative signage versus the use of the MUTCD signage? Please explain your answer.

With the alternative sign, have you observed any differences in driver behavior between
10 nighttime and daytime?
If so, please describe these differences.
11 Were there any differences in your experiences with implementing the alternative sign and the MUTCD sign? If yes, please describe these differences.
12 Do you have any concerns regarding the use of the alternative sign? If yes, please describe your concerns.
13 Do you have any suggestions for ways in which the implementation of the alternative sign could be improved? If so, please describe.

## Question

Have you received any feedback from your staff regarding the alternative sign?
If yes, please describe this feedback.
15 Have you noticed any changes in driver behavior during the time that the signs have been in place? If so, please describe.
16 Do you have any other comments regarding this study?

* Questions that were only asked of MoDOT personnel


### 3.2 Summary of Results

### 3.2.1 Results from Interviews with MoDOT Personnel

The interview responses from MoDOT personnel are summarized in Table 3.2.

Table 3.2. Summary of interview responses from MoDOT personnel

| Question No. | Respondent ID |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | M-1 | M-2 | M-3 | M-4 | M-5 |
| 1 | 1 week | 13 days | 1 week | 1 week | 5 days |
| 2 | 1-5 | 1-5 | 5-10 | 1-5 |  |
| 3 | yes | yes | yes | yes | yes |
| 4 | alternative more information | alternative easier to understand | alternative clear direction | alternative more effective more information | alternative more effective gives whole picture |
| 5 | sometimes sometimes sometimes | sometimes never never | sometimes sometimes rarely | sometimes sometimes rarely | sometimes sometimes never |
| 6 | sometimes sometimes sometimes | frequently sometimes rarely | sometimes sometimes rarely | sometimes sometimes rarely | frequently frequently sometimes |
| 7 | alternative safer (more information) | alternative safer (easy to understand) | same (alternative is less confusing) | same (more info but drivers pay no attention) | alternative |
| 8 | same <br> (drivers drive badly either way) | alternative safer (easy to understand) | same | same (more info but drivers pay no attention) | same/alternative safer |
| 9 | $\begin{gathered} \text { same } \\ \text { (high } \\ \text { volume) } \end{gathered}$ | same no effect | same | same | same capacity is the same |
| 10 | no | no | no | no | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { only observed } \\ \text { during } \\ \text { daytime } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |
| 11 | no | no | no | no | no experience with MUTCD Sign |
| 12 | no | no |  | no | no |
| 13 | no | no | no | no | no |
| 14 | no | no | favorable from MoDOT | no | no |
| 15 | n/a | n/a | no | no | no |
| 16 | n/a | no | no | no | no |

The results indicate that 80 percent of the MoDOT respondents had experience with work zones in which lanes are available around both sides of the work zone, while one respondent did not answer this question. All of the respondents drove through the work zone and thought that the
alternative sign was more effective than the MUTCD sign at getting their attention and communicating information. As for driver behavior with the new sign, all respondents sometimes observed aggressive lane changes while 80 percent of respondents sometimes observed erratic driver maneuvers. Drivers honking their horns was seen less frequently; 40 percent of MoDOT respondents never observed this behavior and 40 percent rarely observed it. For driver behavior with the MUTCD sign, 40 percent of MoDOT respondents frequently observed aggressive lane changes while 60 percent observed these changes sometimes. MoDOT respondents also indicated that they observed erratic driver maneuvers frequently ( 20 percent) or sometimes ( 80 percent). Instances of drivers honking their horns were observed sometimes ( 40 percent) or rarely ( 60 percent) by the MoDOT respondents.

The MoDOT respondents were somewhat divided on the comparison of perceived safety between the alternative and MUTCD signs. The majority ( 60 percent) of MoDOT respondents thought that the alternative sign was safer for drivers because they perceived that it provided more information. However, 40 percent of respondents felt that the alternative sign and MUTCD sign provided the same level of work zone safety for drivers. One respondent expressed the opinion that the signs provide the same level of safety because drivers do not pay attention to the signs. For construction worker safety, 80 percent of respondents indicated that the two signs provided the same level of safety. Reasons provided for this belief included the opinion that drivers do not pay attention to the signs and drivers still drive badly regardless of the signage. The remaining respondents ( 20 percent) indicated that the alternative sign was safer for construction workers with one reason given being that it was easy to understand.

All of the MoDOT respondents indicated that the work zone delay was the same for both the alternative signage and the MUTCD signage. Most of the respondents ( 80 percent) did not observe any differences in driver behavior between nighttime and daytime, while one respondent had only observed the work zone during the daytime. None of the respondents with familiarity in using both signs noted any differences in their experience with implementing them. The MoDOT respondents did not notice any changes in driver behavior during the time that the signs were in place. Finally, the MoDOT respondents did not express any additional concerns regarding the use of the alternative signs.

### 3.2.2 Results from Interviews with Contractor Personnel

Table 3.3 summarizes the interview responses from the contractor personnel.

Table 3.3. Summary of interview responses from contractor personnel

| Question No. | Respondent ID |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | C-1 | C-2 | C-3 | C-4 |
| 1 | 1 week | 2 weeks | 3 weeks | 2 weeks |
| 2 | 1-3 | 1-3 | 10 or more | 1-3 |
| 3 | n/a | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | n/a | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ |
| 4 | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a |
| 5 | often often often | often often often | hourly hourly hourly | often often often |
| 6 | frequently frequently frequently | frequently frequently sometimes | hourly hourly hourly | often often often |
| 7 | alternative much safer (easier to read-less choices) | same | same (no attention) | alternative much safer (better visual) |
| 8 | same (no one pays attention unless it is late) |  | same (no attention) | alternative much safer (better visual) |
| 9 | same | same | same | same |
| 10 | no | no | night is better | no |
| 11 | no | no | no | no |
| 12 | no | no | no <br> MUTCD is better | no |
| 13 | no | no | warning sign before | no |
| 14 | no | no | no | like it better |
| 15 | no | no |  | no |
| 16 | no | no |  | no |

All of the contractors indicated that they have been involved with work zones in which lanes are available around both sides of the work zone. The contractor respondents indicated that they observed aggressive lane changes, erratic driver maneuvers, and drivers honking their horns hourly ( 25 percent) or often ( 75 percent) with the alternative sign in place. For driver behavior with the MUTCD sign, 75 percent of the contractors frequently or often observed aggressive lane changes, while 25 percent observed them sometimes. The contractor respondents also noticed erratic driver maneuvers frequently or often ( 75 percent) or hourly ( 25 percent). Instances of the drivers honking their horns were observed often or frequently ( 50 percent), hourly ( 25 percent), or sometimes ( 25 percent) by the contractors.

The contractors were evenly split on their perception of whether the alternative sign was safer for drivers or provided the same level of safety as the MUTCD sign. Some contractors felt that the alternative provided clearer visuals, while others believed that drivers do not pay attention to the signs. One contractor ( 25 percent) responded that the alternative sign was safer for construction workers because it provided better visual information, while two contractors ( 50 percent) indicated that the two signs provided the same level of safety for construction workers because drivers do not pay attention to the signs.

All of the contractor respondents indicated that the work zone delay was the same for the alternative signs and MUTCD signs. Most of the respondents ( 75 percent) did not observe any differences in driver behavior between nighttime and daytime, while one respondent thought that driver behavior was better at night. The contractor respondents did not note any differences in their experience with implementing the alternative signs and the MUTCD signs, and they did not observe any changes in driver behavior during the time that the signs were in place. One contractor indicated that his or her staff liked the alternative sign better, while another contractor expressed the opinion that the MUTCD sign is better. Regarding suggestions for improvement of the implementation of the alternative sign, one contractor suggested the use of another warning sign before the work zone.

### 3.2.3 Overall Summary of Stakeholder Interview Results

The overall results from the interviews with both MoDOT and contractor personnel can be summarized as follows:

- Respondents generally thought that the alternative sign was a good idea but were divided on whether the use of the alternative sign improved work zone safety for drivers and construction workers when compared to the MUTCD sign. Some respondents thought the alternative sign improved safety because they perceived that it communicated information more clearly and was easier to understand. Other respondents indicated that the level of safety was the same because they do not think that drivers pay attention to the signs.
- Based on the responses, the use of the alternative sign has no effect on work zone delay.
- Interviewees believed that the use of the alternative sign has almost no effect on the driving behavior of people because the rates of aggressive lane changes, erratic maneuvers, and horn honking are much the same with the alternative sign and the MUTCD sign.
- Changes in driver behavior during the time that the alternative signs were in place were not observed by the respondents.
- Feedback from MoDOT and contractor staff regarding the use of the alternative sign was generally positive.


## CHAPTER 4. DRIVER SURVEY

The research team also sought the opinions of another important stakeholder group, drivers. MoDOT's "Rate Our Work Zones" survey (MoDOT 2013) is a web-based work zone customer survey that records driver perceptions of work zones across Missouri. As shown in Figure 4.1, the survey asks drivers to comment on the timeliness of warning of work zone presence; clarity of signs, striping, and other temporary traffic control devices; and perception of delay and safety while driving through the work zone.

## T Work Zone Customer Survey

Cika 10 s
Your Name: $\qquad$
MoDOT strives to provide excellent customer service. If you wish to be
contacted with regards to any comments/questions you provide with this
survey, please submit your phone number and/or email allowing a staff
member to respond.
Phone
Number:
Email
Address:
Are you a MoDOT Employee? YES NO
County:
Select county
Road/Highway
Name \&
Direction:
Nearest
Intersection:
$\begin{aligned} & \text { Date } \\ & \text { Traveled: }\end{aligned}$
Traveled:

1. Did you have enough warning before entering this work zone?
YES NO
2. Did the signs provide clear instructions?
YES NO
3. Did the cones, barrels, or striping guide you through the work zone? YES NO None Present
4. Did you make it through the work zone in a timely manner? YES NO

$\square$
5. Were you able to travel safely in the work zone? YES NO
$\square$
Additional Comments:
(Maximum characters: 2000): You have 2000 characters left.

| Weather: <br> - Clear <br> - Cloudy <br> - Rain <br> Snow <br> - Ice <br> - Windy | Vehicle: <br> - Car/Pickup <br> - Recreational <br> - Commercial | How did you learn of our survey: <br> - MoDOT Website <br> - Media <br> - Work Zone message sign <br> - Provided by MoDOT staff/flagger <br> - Received by mail <br> - Other <br> If other, please explain: |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |

MoDOT 2013

Figure 4.1. MoDOT "Rate Our Work Zones" survey

The research team requested the survey responses from MoDOT for December 2016 from the St. Louis region. There were only two survey responses for the St. Louis region in the month of December 2016. These responses concerned work zones on US 40 and I-44. Therefore, drivers did not express any concerns regarding the use of the new split signs on the I-170 project in the survey.

## CHAPTER 5. CRASH DATA ANALYSIS

### 5.1 Overview and Methodology

Another important aspect of evaluating the alternative sign was to assess its possible safety impacts. While the stakeholder interviews provided some insights into the perceived safety of the alternative sign, an analysis of crash data was also performed to provide a quantitative evaluation of the possible safety impacts of the alternative sign. The key question to be answered was whether the use of the alternative sign was a factor in any of the crashes that occurred in the work zone.

To perform this evaluation, crash data were reviewed for the work zone period as well as a period of time before the work zone was implemented. Understanding the crash patterns for this section of I-170 before the work zone was in effect constituted an important part of the safety evaluation. Crash data for the period beginning January 1, 2015 and ending November 29, 2016 were used to evaluate safety under non-work zone conditions. The use of this earlier period allowed for comparison of crashes in the months and year before the work zone was in effect to the crashes that occurred during the work zone period.

The crash data analysis has some limitations. The sample size is relatively small, and exposure variables such as annual average daily traffic (AADT) were not included in the analysis. The analysis looked at observed crashes instead of expected crashes. Thus, the analysis could be subject to the effects of random variations in crashes. An analysis based on the Highway Safety Manual (AASHTO 2010) was outside the project scope. Despite these limitations, the analysis provided some information regarding the safety effects of the alternative sign.

Crash data were retrieved using the Accident Browser module of the MoDOT Transportation Management System (TMS) database. Data for all crashes that occurred in this section of I-170 between January 1, 2015 and December 31, 2016 were retrieved using the Accident Browser. The study area encompassed I-170 between the I-70 interchange and the St. Charles Rock Rd. interchange. The geographic limits used for the Accident Browser queries are shown in Figures 5.1 through 5.4.


Figure 5.1. Beginning of southbound I-170 segment for safety analysis


Figure 5.2. End of southbound I-170 segment for safety analysis


Figure 5.3. Beginning of northbound I-170 segment for safety analysis


Figure 5.4. End of northbound I-170 segment for safety analysis

It should be noted that the directions are coded in TMS as eastbound and westbound, but I-170 is actually signed as northbound and southbound in this location. The northbound direction corresponds to westbound in TMS while the southbound direction corresponds to eastbound in TMS.

The Accident Browser output contained information regarding crash characteristics such as date, severity, type of crash, light conditions, and weather conditions. Output for some of the fields for all of the crashes that occurred in the study area during 2015 and 2016 is provided in Appendix A. This information was used to identify general trends regarding crash circumstances. In addition, crash reports for all of these crashes were obtained. The reports were reviewed to obtain more details on the contributing circumstances of these crashes with particular focus on the crashes that occurred during the work zone period.

### 5.2 Results of Crash Data Analysis

### 5.2.1 Overall Results for 2015 and 2016

5.2.1.1 Crashes in 2015 and 2016 on I-170 southbound

A total of 96 crashes occurred in the study area on I-170 southbound during 2015 and 2016, including 2 crashes on ramps at the I-70 interchange. As shown in Table 5.1 and Figure 5.5, the highest number of crashes occurred in January, February, and April of 2015. The number of crashes by month in 2016 compared to 2015 was lower for all months except for August and December.

Table 5.1. Crashes by month for I-170 southbound

| Month | $\mathbf{2 0 1 5}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 6}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| January | 7 | 0 |
| February | 8 | 3 |
| March | 6 | 3 |
| April | 7 | 1 |
| May | 6 | 2 |
| June | 6 | 3 |
| July | 4 | 1 |
| August | 2 | 3 |
| September | 3 | 3 |
| October | 6 | 1 |
| November | 6 | 4 |
| December | 5 | 6 |
| Total | $\mathbf{6 6}$ | $\mathbf{3 0}$ |



Figure 5.5. Crashes by month for I-170 southbound

The most common types of crashes were rear-end crashes, with 25 crashes in 2015 and 13 crashes in 2016, followed by passing and out of control crashes. A graph of crashes by type is shown in Figure 5.6. As shown in the figure, the rates for rear-end and out of control crashes decreased considerably in 2016 compared to 2015.


Figure 5.6. Crashes by type for I-170 southbound

Figure 5.7 shows a graph of crashes by severity for I-170 southbound. More than 80 percent of crashes were property damage only (PDO) crashes. There were three disabling injury crashes in 2015.


Figure 5.7. Crashes by severity for I-170 southbound

The distribution of crashes by light condition is shown in Figure 5.8. Most of the crashes occurred in daylight.


Figure 5.8. Crashes by light condition for I-170 southbound

The distribution of crashes by road surface condition is shown in Figure 5.9. Approximately 75 percent of the crashes occurred in dry conditions.


Figure 5.9. Crashes by road surface condition for I-170 southbound

### 5.2.1.2 Crashes in 2015 and 2016 on I-170 northbound

A total of 169 crashes occurred in the study area on I-170 northbound during 2015 and 2016, including two crashes on ramps at the I-70 interchange. As shown in Table 5.2 and Figure 5.10, the highest number of crashes occurred in September 2015 and November 2015. The number of crashes by month in 2016 compared to 2015 was the same or lower for most months except for January, March, and August.

Table 5.2. Crashes by month for I-170 northbound

| Month | $\mathbf{2 0 1 5}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 6}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| January | 5 | 8 |
| February | 12 | 10 |
| March | 5 | 7 |
| April | 12 | 4 |
| May | 8 | 5 |
| June | 4 | 4 |
| July | 7 | 5 |
| August | 4 | 7 |
| September | 14 | 3 |
| October | 7 | 6 |
| November | 17 | 7 |
| December | 4 | 4 |
| Total | $\mathbf{9 9}$ | $\mathbf{7 0}$ |



Figure 5.10. Crashes by month for I-170 northbound

The most common types of crashes were rear-end crashes, with 51 crashes in 2015 and 35 crashes in 2016, followed by passing and out of control crashes. Figure 5.11 shows the distribution of crashes by type for I-170 northbound. As shown in the graph, the rates for rearend and passing crashes decreased considerably in 2016 compared to 2015 , while the number of out of control crashes remained the same.


Figure 5.11. Crashes by type for I-170 northbound

Figure 5.12 shows a graph of crashes by severity. Approximately 75 percent of crashes were PDO crashes. There were three disabling injury crashes in both 2015 and 2016.


Figure 5.12. Crashes by severity for I-170 northbound

Figure 5.13 shows the distribution of crashes by light condition. More than 70 percent of the crashes occurred in daylight.


Figure 5.13. Crashes by light condition for I-170 northbound

The distribution of crashes by road surface condition is shown in Figure 5.14. Approximately 75 percent of the crashes occurred in dry conditions.


Figure 5.14. Crashes by road surface condition for I-170 northbound

### 5.2.2 Crashes during Work Zone Period

A total of 13 crashes occurred in the study area when the work zone was in place between November 30 and December 31, 2016. The crashes are summarized in Table 5.3 and Table 5.4 and contain the dates for when the work zone and alternative sign were in effect.

Table 5.3. Summary of crashes during work zone period
\(\left.\begin{array}{cccccc}\hline Travelway \& Log \& Crash Class \& Date \& Severity Rating* \& Description <br>
\hline IS 170 E \& 4.015 \& PASSING \& 12 / 1 / 2016 \& PDO \& Vehicles collided on side near closed lane area for <br>

work zone.\end{array}\right]\)| IS 170 E | 4.614 | PASSING | $12 / 8 / 2016$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| IS 170 E | 3.695 | PASSING | $12 / 19 / 2016$ |

[^6]Table 5.4. Dates for work zone and alternative sign

| Direction | Begin <br> Work Zone | Begin <br> Alternative Sign | End <br> Alternative Sign | End <br> Work Zone |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| northbound <br> (westbound) | $12 / 1 / 2016$ | $12 / 10 / 2016$ | $12 / 21 / 2016$ | $12 / 30 / 2016$ |
| southbound <br> (eastbound) | $11 / 30 / 2016$ | $12 / 7 / 2016$ | $12 / 21 / 2016$ | $12 / 31 / 2016$ |

Figure 5.15 shows the distribution of these crashes by type.


Figure 5.15. Crashes during work zone period by type

As shown in the figure, almost all of the crashes involved lane changing, passing, or rear-end collision, although there was one crash caused by a vehicle losing control. The crash patterns during the work zone period were similar to the crash patterns before the work zone was in place. Additional information regarding the crashes may be found in Appendix A.

Three of the crashes occurred in heavy traffic conditions on northbound I-170 on November 30, 2016, when the work zone was only in place on southbound I-170. The remaining four crashes
on northbound I-170 occurred during the time period when the alternative sign was in place. Factors that contributed to these crashes included heavy traffic conditions, icy road conditions, lane changing, and a vehicle following a construction truck into the work area. The crash on northbound I-170 on December 19, 2016 occurred as a result of a collision between vehicles during a lane change maneuver in advance of the work zone split. However, the road conditions at the time of the crash were icy, and there is no indication in the crash report that driver confusion or the use of the alternative sign was a contributing factor in the crash.

A total of six crashes occurred on southbound I-170 between November 30 and December 31, 2016, with three of the crashes taking place while the alternative sign was in place. Two of the six crashes occurred during traffic slowdowns, while another crash was caused by a vehicle swerving to avoid a collision with a squirrel. One crash happened near the lane closure area before the alternative sign was in place. Two of the crashes that occurred while the alternative sign was being used were due to lane encroachment, while the third crash was a rear-end collision during a traffic slowdown. There is no indication from the crash reports that driver confusion or the use of the alternative sign played a role in any of these crashes.

### 5.3 Summary of Results of Crash Data Analysis

It does not appear that the use of the alternative split sign affected the crash patterns on this section of I-170. The number of crashes in 2016 was generally lower than the number of crashes in 2015. On southbound I-170, there was one more crash in December 2016 compared to December 2015, and there were two more crashes in December 2016 compared to November 2016. These variations are likely due to the random fluctuations in the number of crashes. On northbound I-170, the number of crashes per month remained the same between December 2015 and December 2016. In addition, there were three fewer crashes in December 2016 compared to November 2016. In reviewing the combined crash statistics in both directions, there was one more crash in December 2016 compared to December 2015 and one less crash in December 2016 compared to November 2016.

The predominant types of crashes that occurred on this stretch of I-170 during the non-work zone period were rear-end, passing, and out of control. This crash pattern mirrors the types of crashes that occurred during the work zone period from November 30, 2016 to December 31, 2016. During the work zone period, 46 percent of the crashes were rear-end and 38 percent were passing. A total of 13 crashes occurred during this time period, although three of these crashes took place on northbound I-170 when the work zone was only in place on southbound I-170. While there were some crashes due to lane changing or passing when the alternative sign was in place, the use of the alternative sign does not appear to have been a contributing factor to these crashes based on the information contained in the crash reports.

## CHAPTER 6. TRAVEL TIME ANALYSIS

### 6.1 Introduction

In addition to the safety analysis, the operations of the work zone with the alternative sign were assessed. To perform this analysis, travel times between the work zone period with the alternative sign and the non-work zone period were compared. As previously shown in Table 5.4, the alternative sign was in place on southbound I-170 for 15 days (between December 7 and December 21, 2016) and on northbound I-170 for 12 days (between December 10 and December 21, 2016).

### 6.2 Travel Time Data

To analyze the travel time impacts for the presence of the work zone and alternative work zone split signage, adjacent segments around the work zone location (within a two-mile radius) were queried from the RITIS database. (MoDOT obtains travel data from RITIS for various roadways in Missouri.) Travel time data from RITIS were used on a previous project to develop a datadriven traffic impact assessment tool for work zones (Edara et al. 2017).

Figure 6.1 shows a screenshot of a RITIS data query window, including a coverage map of the St. Louis area and criteria for the query, including date, time, duration, and data format.


Edara et al. 2017
Figure 6.1. RITIS data query interface and detector deployment in St. Louis area

The query output, as shown in Figure 6.2, includes travel time, speed, and traffic message channel (TMC) codes used to identify the segments.

| tmc_code | measurement_tstamp |  | speed | average_speed |  |  | reference_speed |  | travel_time_minutes con |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { confidence } \\ \hline 0.7 \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 119-12871 | 01/01/2015 12:00:18 AM |  | M 31.69 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 119N13546 | 6 01/01/2015 12:00:18 AM |  | $1 \quad 37.9$ |  | 34.77 |  | 33 |  |  |  |  | 0.7 |
| 119P13325 | 01/01/2015 12:00:18 AM |  | M 24.86 |  | 24.85 |  | 45 |  | 0.28 |  |  | 0.7 |
| 119 N 04183 | 01/01/2015 12:00:18 AM |  | M 56.15 |  | 48.62 |  | 52 |  | 0.8 |  |  | 0.85 |
| 119-12859 | 01/01/2015 12:00:18 AM |  | M 39.15 |  | 43.25 |  | 36 |  | 0.52 |  |  | 0.7 |
| 119P13630 | 0 01/01/2015 12:00:18 AM |  | M 23.61 |  | 28.23 |  | 26 |  | 0.15 |  |  | 0.7 |
| 119N13621 | 1 01/01/2015 12:00:18 AM |  | M 34.18 |  | 34.18 |  | 27 |  | 0.08 |  |  | 0.7 |
| 119-13434 | \| 01/01/2015 12:00:18 AM |  | M 20.51 |  | 25.54 |  | 19 |  | 0.59 |  | 0.7 |  |
| tmc | road | direction | intersection | state | county | zip | start latitude | start Iongitude | end latitude | end longitude | miles | road <br> order |
| 119+13650 B | Bellefontaine Rd | NORTHBOUND | I-270/Dunn Rd | MO | ST LOUIS | 63137 | 38.74948 | -90.22402 | 38.76942 | -90.22088 | 1.38731 | , |
| 119P13650 B | Bellefontaine Rd | NORTHBOUND | 1-270/Dunn Rd | MO | STLOUIS | 63138 | 38.76942 | -90.22088 | 38.77023 | -90.22074 | 0.056411 | 7 |
| 119-13650 B | Bellefontaine Rd | SOUTHBOUND | 1-270/Dunn Rd | MO | STLOUIS | 63138 | 38.79406 | -90.21385 | 38.77023 | -90.22074 | 1.68779 | 2 |
| 119N13650 B | Bellefontaine Rd | SOUTHBOUND | 1-270/Dunn Rd | Mo | STLOUIS | 63138 | 38.77023 | -90.22074 | 38.76942 | -90.22088 | 0.056411 | 3 |
| 119+13508 | Big Bend Rd | EASTBOUND | 1-270 | MO | STLOUIS | 63122 | 38.5672 | -90.47614 | 38.56711 | -90.44095 | 2.06902 | 6 |
| 119P13508 | Big Bend Rd | EASTBOUND | 1-270 | mo | STLOUIS | 63122 | 38.56711 | -90.44095 | 38.56735 | -90.43921 | 0.095707 | 7 |
| 119-13508 | Big Bend Rd | WESTBOUND | 1-270 | MO | ST LOUIS | 63122 | 38.56696 | -90.43079 | 38.56735 | -90.43921 | 0.45771 | 8 |
| 119N13508 | Big Bend Rd | WESTBOUND | 1-270 | Mo | STLOUIS | 63122 | 38.56735 | -90.43921 | 38.56711 | -90.44095 | 0.095707 | 9 |
| 119+13618 | Dorsett Rd | EASTBOUND | 1-270 | MO | ST LOUIS | 63043 | 38.71454 | -90.45399 | 38.71454 | -90.44833 | 0.306022 | 3 |
| 119 P 13618 | Dorsett Rd | EASTBOUND | 1-270 | Mo | St louls | 63043 | 38.71454 | -90.44626 | 38.71454 | -90.44833 | 0.113363 | 4 |

Edara et al. 2017

## Figure 6.2. Screenshot of RITIS output

As shown in the top part of Figure 6.2, there are seven fields for the travel time and speed information: TMC code, time stamp, speed, average speed, reference speed, travel time, and confidence level. The RITIS output also includes descriptive information for the unique TMS codes for RITIS segments, including TMC code, road, direction, intersection, state, county, zip, start and end latitude/longitude, segment miles, and road order, as shown in the bottom part of Figure 6.2.

The time stamp field includes both the date (month, day, and year) and time of day (hour, minute, and second). There are three speeds that are provided as output by RITIS: prevailing speed, historical average speed, and reference speed (free flow speed). Figure 6.3 provides additional details regarding the speed measures, travel time, and confidence levels.

## Data Types

```
Vendor-Provided Data
Speed - The current estimated harmonic mean speed for the roadway segment in miles per hour.
Travel Time - Time it will take to drive along the roadway segment (Distance Traveled / Speed).
Reference Speed - The calculated "free flow" mean speed for the roadway segment in miles per hour. This attribute is
calculated based upon the 85th-percentile point of the observed speeds on that segment for all time periods, which
establishes a reliable proxy for the speed of traffic at free-flow for that segment.
Historic Average Speed - The historical average speed for the roadway segment for that hour of the day and day of the
week in miles per hour.
Comparative Speed - Measured speed as a percentage of the historic average speed for this time of day and day of week.
Congestion - Measured speed as a percentage of the free flow speed.
Historic Average Congestion - Historic average speed as a percentage of the free flow speed for this time of day and day of
week.
Confidence - This is a simple confidence factor.
```

    - Between 0.7 and 1.0 (including 1.0) - high confidence, based on real-time data for that specific segment
    - Between 0.5 and 0.7 (including 0.7) - medium confidence, based on a combination of historic and real-time data
    - Between 0.0 and 0.5 (including 0.5 ) - lower confidence, based primarily on road reference speeds
    Edara et al. 2017

## Figure 6.3. RITIS data description

### 6.3 Study Area

Travel time analysis was conducted on the I-170 work zone segment and in the vicinity of the work zone segment, including sections of I-170 upstream and downstream from the work zone and adjacent routes. There are two major adjacent routes that intersect I-170 in the vicinity of the work zone: I-70 on the north end of the work zone segment and Natural Bridge Road on the south end of the work zone segment.

The study area, including I-170 and the identified adjacent segments, is shown in Figure 6.4. Each green, red, or blue dot on the map represents the RITIS sensor segment.


Figure 6.4. Study area for operational analysis using RITIS

The AADT values for these routes are presented in Table 6.1. I-70 and I-170 have quite similar AADT values for both total traffic and number of trucks.

Table 6.1. AADT for the study routes in 2015

| Route | Traffic | Truck |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| I-170 | 113,253 | 15,440 |
| I-70 | 133,231 | $11,613^{*}$ |
| Natural Bridge Road | 13,017 | NA |

*A closest upstream/downstream observation
Source: MoDOT 2015b

### 6.4 Performance Measurement for Travel Time Analysis

Two measures using historical information were utilized for quantifying the operational impacts of the work zone: travel time difference analysis based on historical three-week average travel time for the segment (HATT) and travel time difference analysis based on travel time for the segment one year ago (HYTT). Since the HATT needs to include travel time information for only non-work zone days, the three weeks prior the first day of work zone, between October 27, 2016 and November 16, 2016, were used. The time period between November 17 and 29, 2016
was excluded from the analysis because it was expected that travel patterns would be different due to the Thanksgiving holiday.

The average travel time difference per mile is calculated using the following equation:
$\left[\sum_{t=1}^{T}\left(\frac{\mathrm{WZ} \mathrm{TT}_{t}-\mathrm{HATT}_{t}}{S}\right)\right] / n_{T}$
where
$S$ is segment length
$\mathrm{WZ} \mathrm{TT}{ }_{t}$ is the travel time when work zone was present
$\mathrm{HATT}_{t}$ is the historical average travel time computed by averaging the travel times in the past three weeks for the same segment, same time of day, and day of the week
$n_{T}$ is the number of observations completed within the work zone duration

Travel time difference from the travel time one year ago was calculated by replacing the $\mathrm{HATT}_{t}$ with travel time from a year ago in Equation 6.1 and is denoted by $\mathrm{HYTT}_{t}$.

RITIS provides travel time information for every minute, and both HATT and HYTT were calculated for all times of day (i.e., 24 hours in each day). The dates used for the HATT and HYTT analyses are shown in Table 6.2.

Table 6.2. Dates used for HATT and HYTT analyses

| Route | Direction | Dates for HATT | Dates for HYTT |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| I-170 | NB | $10 / 27 / 2016-11 / 16 / 2016$ | $12 / 12 / 2015-12 / 23 / 2015$ |
| I-170 | SB | $10 / 27 / 2016-11 / 16 / 2016$ | $12 / 9 / 2015-12 / 23 / 2015$ |
| I-70 | EB | $10 / 27 / 2016-11 / 16 / 2016$ | $12 / 9 / 2015-12 / 23 / 2015$ |
| I-70 | WB | $10 / 27 / 2016-11 / 16 / 2016$ | $12 / 12 / 2015-12 / 23 / 2015$ |
| Natural Bridge Rd. | EB | $10 / 27 / 2016-11 / 16 / 2016$ | $12 / 9 / 2015-12 / 23 / 2015$ |
| Natural Bridge Rd. | WB | $10 / 27 / 2016-11 / 16 / 2016$ | $12 / 12 / 2015-12 / 23 / 2015$ |

### 6.5 Travel Time Analysis

The computed HATT and HYTT values are presented in Table 6.3, and each average HATT and HYTT during the work zone schedule is shown in Figure 6.5 and Figure 6.6.

Table 6.3. Calculated HATT and HYTT differences (seconds per mile)

| Routes | Direction | Analysis | HATT |  |  |  |  | HYTT |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { 2_nd } \\ \text { UPS } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 1 \_s t \\ & \text { UPS } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Work } \\ & \text { Zone } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1 \_s t \\ D S \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2_{2} n d \\ D S \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { 2_nd } \\ \text { UPS } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { 1_st } \\ & \text { UPS } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Work } \\ & \text { Zone } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1 \_s t \\ D S \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2_{2} n d \\ D S \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |
| I-170 | $N B$ | Ave | 6.63 | 6.60 | 3.47 | 3.46 | 2.54 | 7.59 | 7.48 | 3.26 | 3.29 | 2.36 |
|  |  | STD | 4.44 | 4.42 | 4.27 | 4.29 | 3.55 | 3.25 | 3.23 | 3.43 | 3.47 | 2.51 |
|  |  | Max | 13.60 | 13.59 | 17.10 | 17.17 | 13.82 | 15.00 | 14.94 | 14.49 | 14.65 | 10.25 |
|  |  | Min | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 3.16 | 3.05 | 0.70 | 0.70 | 0.69 |
|  | SB | Ave | 12.08 | 12.15 | 10.06 | 10.17 | 3.92 | 12.93 | 13.03 | 11.25 | 11.42 | 3.87 |
|  |  | STD | 9.61 | 9.63 | 8.37 | 8.41 | 3.41 | 7.91 | 7.91 | 6.66 | 6.66 | 2.00 |
|  |  | Max | 25.79 | 25.83 | 26.42 | 26.56 | 12.27 | 25.86 | 25.98 | 24.47 | 24.64 | 8.36 |
|  |  | Min | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.92 | 0.97 | 3.26 | 3.44 | 1.73 |
| I-70 | EB | Ave | 4.97 | 4.85 | 5.22 | 5.21 | 6.23 | 4.97 | 4.82 | 4.82 | 4.80 | 6.32 |
|  |  | STD | 6.37 | 6.31 | 7.39 | 7.38 | 10.41 | 6.00 | 5.97 | 7.08 | 7.07 | 10.01 |
|  |  | Max | 18.96 | 18.84 | 25.92 | 25.92 | 41.25 | 19.18 | 19.04 | 25.78 | 25.71 | $40.97$ |
|  |  | Min | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.98 | 0.87 | 0.65 | 0.60 | 0.92 |
|  | WB | Ave | 2.37 | 2.55 | 2.57 |  | 4.44 | 3.90 | 5.02 | 4.87 | 3.97 | 3.94 |
|  |  | STD | 4.14 | 4.90 | 4.93 | 6.71 | 6.69 | 3.91 | 4.34 | 4.37 | 4.43 | 4.41 |
|  |  | Max | 14.94 | 17.28 | 17.29 | 23.93 | 23.93 | 15.36 | 17.40 | 17.27 | 17.78 | 17.79 |
|  |  | Min | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.96 | 1.18 | 1.09 | 0.53 | 0.54 |
| Natural Bridge Road | $E B$ | Ave | 5.89 | 7.78 | 7.71 | 17.78 | 15.69 | 7.12 | 8.00 | 7.87 | 20.43 | 18.04 |
|  |  | STD | 3.59 | 5.37 | 5.33 | 10.74 | 13.10 | 2.25 | 2.71 | 2.68 | 6.63 | 12.47 |
|  |  | Max | 11.88 | 17.77 | 17.62 | 28.56 | 45.47 | 12.96 | $13.67$ | $13.22$ | $31.96$ | 52.26 |
|  |  | Min | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 4.75 | 4.60 | 4.51 | 12.54 | 0.12 |
|  | $W B^{*}$ |  | 5.87 | 10.00 |  | 15.39 | 6.35 | 9.19 |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | STD | 3.69 | 6.45 | 6.01 | 9.44 | 5.01 | 2.92 | - | - | - | - |
|  |  | Max | 11.96 | 20.88 | 19.87 | 30.51 | 18.48 | 14.89 | - | - | - | - |
|  |  | Min | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 4.41 | - | - | - | - |

[^7]

Figure 6.5. Average travel time difference from three-week average travel time (HATT)


Figure 6.6. Average travel time difference from year ago travel time (HYTT)
Figure 6.5 shows HATT while Figure 6.6 shows HYTT. For simplicity, travel times from the second upstream segments through the second downstream segments are presented. The results show that there was a minor travel time increase of a few seconds during the time that the alternative sign was present in the work zone. The small increase had minimal impact on travel times through the work zone. I-170 had higher travel time differences than I-70, and I-170 southbound had higher travel time differences than I-170 northbound. The travel time differences on Natural Bridge Road were also higher than the travel time differences on I-70. From these results, it can be concluded that the use of the alternative sign in the work zone did not significantly affect operations on I-170 or its adjacent corridors.

## CHAPTER 7. CONCLUSIONS

In this project, the use of alternative signage for closure of a middle lane in a freeway work zone was evaluated based on its implementation at the work zone for the Missouri bridge rehabilitation project J6I2104 on I-I70 between I-70 and Natural Bridge Road. The work zone included the shifting of three lanes, two lanes around one side of the work area and one lane around the other side. The evaluation of the alternative signage included the collection and analysis of field videos to assess driver behavior, stakeholder interviews, driver surveys, and operational and safety analyses. The findings from the study can be summarized as follows:

- Drivers seemed to generally accept the alternative signage because no concerns regarding the use of the sign were submitted through the MoDOT driver survey website.
- The use of the alternative sign did not create any adverse safety impacts. Crash patterns during the work zone period were similar to the crash patterns before the work zone was in place, and the use of the alternative sign did not appear to be a contributing factor in any work zone crashes.
- Lane changing behavior decreased as the construction progressed.
- Instances of aggressive driver behavior were observed in the videos, but these instances do not appear to be related to the use of the alternative sign.
- The use of the alternative sign did not cause any adverse operational impacts in the work zone and surrounding area.
- MoDOT personnel and contractors familiar with the project believed that the sign helped to communicate information clearly but had mixed perceptions on whether the use of the sign improved safety. Some respondents believed that drivers simply do not pay attention to signs.

In summary, the investigation of the use of the alternative sign on the I-170 project found that the alternative sign has great potential for use on freeway work zones with lane closures in the middle lane. The stakeholders believed that it communicated information more effectively to drivers, and the use of the sign did not appear to create any adverse impacts for operations or safety.

## REFERENCES

AASHTO. 2010. Highway Safety Manual (HSM) 2010. American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials, Washington, DC.
Bertucci, A. 2006. Sign Legibility Rules of Thumb. US Sign Council, Bristol, PA.
Edara, P., Y. Chang, C. Sun, and H. Brown. 2017. Data-Driven Traffic Impact Assessment Tool for Work Zones. Smart Work Zone Deployment Initiative. Iowa Department of Transportation and Midwest Transportation Center, Ames, IA.
Edara, P., C. Sun, and Z. Zhu. 2014. Investigation of Alternative Work Zone Merging Sign Configurations. Missouri Department of Transportation, Jefferson City, MO.
FHWA. 2009. Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices for Streets and Highways (MUTCD). Federal Highway Administration, Washington, DC.
MoDOT. 2013. MoDOT Work Zone Customer Survey. Missouri Department of Transportation, Jefferson City, MO. http://www.modot.org/workzones/Comments.htm. Accessed April 25, 2017.
MoDOT. 2015a. Construction Plans for Job No. J6I2104, Route 70, St. Louis County. Missouri Department of Transportation, Jefferson City, MO.
MoDOT. 2015b. Traffic Volume Map. Missouri Department of Transportation, Jefferson City, MO. http://www.modot.org/safety/trafficvolumemaps.htm. Accessed April 17, 2017.

## APPENDIX A: CRASH DATA OUTPUT

Table A.1. TMS Accident Browser output from selected fields for 2015 and 2016 crashes

| Travelway | Log | Crash Class | Date | Severity Rating | Light Cond | Road Surf Cond | Weather Cond |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| IS 170 E | 5.249 | CHANGING LANE | 1/1/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | ICE | FREEZING |
| IS 170 E | 3.449 | OUT OF CONTROL | 1/3/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DARK W/ STREET LIGHTS ON | WET | RAIN |
| IS 170 E | 4.808 | OUT OF CONTROL | 1/16/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DARK W/ STREET LIGHTS ON | DRY | CLOUDY |
| IS 170 E | 5.134 | PASSING | 1/16/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 E | 4.203 | OUT OF CONTROL | 1/19/2015 | MINOR INJURY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 E | 4.09 | OUT OF CONTROL | 1/22/2015 | DISABLING INJURY | DARK W/ STREET LIGHTS OFF | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 E | 5.246 | REAR-END | 1/23/2015 | MINOR INJURY | DARK W/ STREET LIGHTS ON | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 E | 3.553 | OUT OF CONTROL | 2/1/2015 | MINOR INJURY | DAYLIGHT | WET | RAIN |
| IS 170 E | 4.303 | PARKING OR PARKED CAR | 2/1/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DARK W/ STREET LIGHTS OFF | WET | FREEZING |
| IS 170 E | 3.457 | PASSING | 2/11/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 E | 5.151 | OUT OF CONTROL | 2/20/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DARK W/ STREET LIGHTS ON | ICE | RAIN |
| IS 170 E | 4.066 | PASSING | 2/24/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DARK W/ STREET LIGHTS ON | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 E | 3.58 | OUT OF CONTROL | 2/26/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | SNOW | SNOW |
| IS 170 E | 3.449 | OUT OF CONTROL | 2/27/2015 | MINOR INJURY | DARK W/ STREET LIGHTS ON | DRY | CLOUDY |
| IS 170 E | 5.141 | OTHER | 2/28/2015 | MINOR INJURY | DAYLIGHT | SNOW | CLOUDY |
| IS 170 E | 4.084 | OUT OF CONTROL | 3/9/2015 | MINOR INJURY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 E | 4.076 | REAR-END | 3/9/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 E | 4.123 | REAR-END | 3/10/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | WET | RAIN |
| IS 170 E | 4.18 | OUT OF CONTROL | 3/10/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLOUDY |
| IS 170 E | 5.16 | REAR-END | 3/14/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DARK W/ STREET LIGHTS ON | WET | RAIN |
| IS 170 E | 4.678 | CHANGING LANE | 3/30/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |


| Travelway | Log | Crash Class | Date | Severity Rating | Light Cond | Road Surf Cond | Weather Cond |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| IS 170 E | 5.255 | OUT OF CONTROL | 4/1/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 E | 5.265 | OUT OF CONTROL | 4/13/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | WET | CLOUDY |
| IS 170 E | 3.439 | REAR-END | 4/13/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | WET | RAIN |
| IS 170 E | 5.246 | REAR-END | 4/18/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 E | 3.477 | OUT OF CONTROL | 4/25/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | WET | RAIN |
| IS 170 E | 5.246 | REAR-END | 4/27/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 E | 5.227 | REAR-END | 4/28/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 E | 5.246 | REAR-END | 5/6/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 E | 4.191 | REAR-END | 5/6/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 E | 3.872 | REAR-END | 5/6/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 E | 5.283 | PASSING | 5/19/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 E | 4.746 | OUT OF CONTROL | 5/21/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 E | 4.897 | REAR-END | 5/28/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DARK W/ STREET LIGHTS OFF | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 E | 4.191 | REAR-END | 6/7/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DARK W/ STREET LIGHTS ON | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 E | 4.468 | OTHER | 6/8/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 E | 4.124 | OTHER | 6/12/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 E | 4.05 | OUT OF CONTROL | 6/13/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 E | 4.047 | PASSING | 6/19/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | WET | RAIN |
| IS 170 E | 3.958 | OTHER | 6/25/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 E | 3.477 | REAR-END | 7/9/2015 | MINOR INJURY | DAYLIGHT | WET | CLEAR |
| IS 170 E | 4.085 | PASSING | 7/23/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 E | 4.099 | REAR-END | 7/28/2015 | MINOR INJURY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLOUDY |
| IS 170 E | 4.064 | REAR-END | 7/30/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 E | 3.477 | REAR-END | 8/11/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 E | 3.439 | PASSING | 8/27/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 E | 3.449 | PASSING | 9/5/2015 | DISABLING INJURY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 E | 4.48 | OTHER | 9/25/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | WET | CLOUDY |
| IS 170 E | 3.46 | REAR-END | 9/30/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DARK W/ STREET LIGHTS ON | DRY | UNKNOWN |
| IS 170 E | 5.255 | REAR-END | 10/1/2015 | MINOR INJURY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |


| Travelway | Log | Crash Class | Date | Severity Rating | Light Cond | Road Surf <br> Cond | Weather Cond |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| IS 170 E | 4.984 | OTHER | 10/4/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLOUDY |
| IS 170 E | 3.591 | REAR-END | 10/13/2015 | MINOR INJURY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 E | 3.601 | OUT OF CONTROL | 10/22/2015 | DISABLING INJURY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 E | 4.061 | PEDESTRIAN | 10/24/2015 | MINOR INJURY | DARK W/ STREET LIGHTS OFF | DRY | CLOUDY |
| IS 170 E | 5.208 | OUT OF CONTROL | 10/30/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DARK W/ STREET LIGHTS ON | DRY | CLOUDY |
| IS 170 E | 4.555 | AVOIDING | 11/19/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 E | 3.467 | REAR-END | 11/20/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 E | 3.449 | OUT OF CONTROL | 11/22/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DARK W/ STREET LIGHTS ON | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 E | 4.115 | PASSING | 11/23/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DARK W/ STREET LIGHTS ON | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 E | 3.477 | OUT OF CONTROL | 11/27/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | WET | RAIN |
| IS 170 E | 3.515 | OUT OF CONTROL | 11/27/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DARK W/ STREET LIGHTS ON | WET | RAIN |
| IS 170 E | 4.871 | REAR-END | 12/3/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DARK - UNKNOWN | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 E | 4.375 | REAR-END | 12/3/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DARK W/ STREET LIGHTS ON | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 E | 5.255 | REAR-END | 12/10/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DARK W/ STREET LIGHTS OFF | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 E | 5.255 | REAR-END | 12/14/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DARK W/ STREET LIGHTS OFF | WET | RAIN |
| IS 170 E | 4.047 | CHANGING LANE | 2/1/2016 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 E | 3.477 | OUT OF CONTROL | 2/10/2016 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | SNOW | SNOW |
| IS 170 E | 4.831 | REAR-END | 2/25/2016 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLOUDY |
| IS 170 E | 3.449 | REAR-END | 3/15/2016 | MINOR INJURY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 E | 5.255 | REAR-END | 3/16/2016 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 E | 4.796 | OUT OF CONTROL | 3/19/2016 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DARK W/ STREET LIGHTS OFF | WET | CLOUDY |
| IS 170 E | 4.253 | REAR-END | 4/16/2016 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 E | 4.186 | PASSING | 5/14/2016 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 E | 4.167 | REAR-END | 5/18/2016 | MINOR INJURY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 E | 4.167 | REAR-END | 6/2/2016 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |


| Travelway | Log | Crash Class | Date | Severity Rating | Light Cond | Road Surf Cond | Weather Cond |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| IS 170 E | 4.086 | REAR-END | 6/26/2016 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DARK W/ STREET LIGHTS ON | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 E | 3.592 | PASSING | 6/28/2016 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 E | 4.08 | PASSING | 8/5/2016 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 E | 4.088 | REAR-END | 8/12/2016 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DARK W/ STREET LIGHTS OFF | WET | RAIN |
| IS 170 E | 5.255 | REAR-END | 8/30/2016 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLOUDY |
| IS 170 E | 4.092 | PASSING | 9/2/2016 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | UNKN | UNKNOWN |
| IS 170 E | 4.594 | PASSING | 9/10/2016 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLOUDY |
| IS 170 E | 5.024 | PASSING | 9/28/2016 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DARK W/ STREET LIGHTS OFF | DRY | CLOUDY |
| IS 170 E | 4.108 | REAR-END | 10/18/2016 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLOUDY |
| IS 170 E | 5.153 | DEER | 11/9/2016 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 E | 4.508 | PASSING | 11/27/2016 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLOUDY |
| IS 170 E | 4.985 | REAR-END | 11/28/2016 | MINOR INJURY | DARK W/ STREET LIGHTS OFF | WET | RAIN |
| IS 170 E | 4.985 | REAR-END | 11/28/2016 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DARK W/ STREET <br> LIGHTS ON | WET | RAIN |
| IS 170 E | 4.015 | PASSING | 12/1/2016 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 E | 4.614 | PASSING | 12/8/2016 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 E | 3.695 | PASSING | 12/19/2016 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 E | 3.558 | REAR-END | 12/21/2016 | MINOR INJURY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 E | 3.862 | PASSING | 12/23/2016 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLOUDY |
| IS 170 E | 3.583 | OUT OF CONTROL | 12/27/2016 | MINOR INJURY | DARK W/ STREET <br> LIGHTS ON | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 6.989 | OUT OF CONTROL | 1/4/2015 | MINOR INJURY | DAYLIGHT | WET | CLOUDY |
| IS 170 W | 7.623 | REAR-END | 1/15/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 7.511 | REAR-END | 1/20/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DARK W/ STREET <br> LIGHTS ON | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 6.396 | REAR-END | 1/27/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 5.865 | REAR-END | 1/31/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 7.621 | REAR-END | 2/4/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DARK W/ STREET LIGHTS ON | SNOW | FREEZING |
| IS 170 W | 6.979 | OUT OF CONTROL | 2/4/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DARK - UNKNOWN | SNOW | SNOW |


| Travelway | Log | Crash Class | Date | Severity Rating | Light Cond | Road Surf <br> Cond | Weather Cond |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| IS 170 W | 7.616 | OUT OF CONTROL | 2/4/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DARK W/ STREET LIGHTS ON | SNOW | SNOW |
| IS 170 W | 7.616 | PASSING | 2/4/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DARK W/ STREET LIGHTS ON | ICE | SNOW |
| IS 170 W | 6.984 | REAR-END | 2/11/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 7.663 | REAR-END | 2/15/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DARK W/ STREET LIGHTS ON | SNOW | CLOUDY |
| IS 170 W | 7.631 | OUT OF CONTROL | 2/15/2015 | MINOR INJURY | DARK W/ STREET LIGHTS ON | SNOW | SNOW |
| IS 170 W | 7.044 | OUT OF CONTROL | 2/16/2015 | MINOR INJURY | DAYLIGHT | SNOW | CLOUDY |
| IS 170 W | 7.53 | REAR-END | 2/18/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | SNOW | FREEZING |
| IS 170 W | 6.634 | CROSS MEDIAN | 2/20/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 7.436 | REAR-END | 2/22/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 5.96 | OUT OF CONTROL | 2/25/2015 | DISABLING INJURY | DARK W/ STREET LIGHTS OFF | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 5.893 | PASSING | 3/3/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DARK W/ STREET LIGHTS ON | WET | RAIN |
| IS 170 W | 7.634 | PASSING | 3/16/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 7.008 | REAR-END | 3/28/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 7.027 | REAR-END | 3/30/2015 | MINOR INJURY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLOUDY |
| IS 170 W | 7.587 | REAR-END | 3/31/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 6.628 | PASSING | 4/1/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLOUDY |
| IS 170 W | 7.606 | REAR-END | 4/3/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 7.606 | OUT OF CONTROL | 4/5/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLOUDY |
| IS 170 W | 7.606 | REAR-END | 4/8/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 5.856 | CHANGING LANE | 4/10/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | WET | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 5.865 | REAR-END | 4/12/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 5.865 | REAR-END | 4/12/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 7.017 | REAR-END | 4/13/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | WET | CLOUDY |
| IS 170 W | 7.62 | PASSING | 4/15/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 7.621 | REAR-END | 4/18/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 7.621 | REAR-END | 4/21/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 5.846 | REAR-END | 4/23/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |


| Travelway | Log | Crash Class | Date | Severity Rating | Light Cond | Road Surf Cond | Weather Cond |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| IS 170 W | 7.616 | REAR-END | 5/4/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 7.008 | REAR-END | 5/8/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 7.64 | OUT OF CONTROL | 5/17/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | WET | CLOUDY |
| IS 170 W | 7.53 | PASSING | 5/26/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 5.903 | REAR-END | 5/28/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 6.941 | PASSING | 5/28/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DARK W/ STREET LIGHTS ON | DRY | CLOUDY |
| IS 170 W | 6.373 | REAR-END | 5/30/2015 | MINOR INJURY | DAYLIGHT | WET | CLOUDY |
| IS 170 W | 7.026 | OTHER | 5/31/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DARK W/ STREET LIGHTS OFF | WET | CLOUDY |
| IS 170 W | 7.634 | OUT OF CONTROL | 6/7/2015 | MINOR INJURY | DARK W/ STREET LIGHTS ON | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 6.552 | REAR-END | 6/17/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLOUDY |
| IS 170 W | 6.593 | OUT OF CONTROL | 6/21/2015 | DISABLING INJURY | DARK W/ STREET LIGHTS ON | DRY | CLOUDY |
| IS 170 W | 7.012 | REAR-END | 6/30/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLOUDY |
| IS 170 W | 7.016 | OUT OF CONTROL | 7/7/2015 | MINOR INJURY | DAYLIGHT | WET | RAIN |
| IS 170 W | 7.581 | OUT OF CONTROL | 7/8/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DARK W/ STREET LIGHTS ON | WET | CLOUDY |
| IS 170 W | 7.606 | REAR-END | 7/9/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 7.606 | REAR-END | 7/13/2015 | MINOR INJURY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 5.865 | REAR-END | 7/23/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 7.511 | REAR-END | 7/29/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 7.036 | AVOIDING | 7/31/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 5.873 | CHANGING LANE | 8/5/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DARK W/ STREET LIGHTS ON | WET | RAIN |
| IS 170 W | 6.487 | FIXED OBJECT | 8/6/2015 | MINOR INJURY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLOUDY |
| IS 170 W | 7.63 | PASSING | 8/7/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DARK W/ STREET LIGHTS ON | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 6.98 | PASSING | 8/11/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DARK - UNKNOWN | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 5.865 | PASSING | 9/1/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 5.865 | REAR-END | 9/2/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 7.008 | REAR-END | 9/3/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |


| Travelway | Log | Crash Class | Date | Severity Rating | Light Cond | Road Surf Cond | Weather Cond |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| IS 170 W | 5.865 | REAR-END | 9/9/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLOUDY |
| IS 170 W | 7.452 | REAR-END | 9/11/2015 | MINOR INJURY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 5.968 | OUT OF CONTROL | 9/14/2015 | MINOR INJURY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 5.865 | REAR-END | 9/15/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 6.657 | PASSING | 9/17/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 7.628 | REAR-END | 9/18/2015 | MINOR INJURY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 6.513 | PASSING | 9/19/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 7.606 | PASSING | 9/22/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 5.865 | PASSING | 9/24/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 7.644 | REAR-END | 9/29/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | WET | CLOUDY |
| IS 170 W | 5.835 | REAR-END | 9/30/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 7.027 | OUT OF CONTROL | 10/6/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DARK W/ STREET LIGHTS ON | DRY | CLOUDY |
| IS 170 W | 5.903 | PASSING | 10/6/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 6.547 | PASSING | 10/8/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 6.723 | PASSING | 10/8/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DARK W/ STREET LIGHTS ON | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 7.411 | REAR-END | 10/13/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 7.396 | PASSING | 10/18/2015 | MINOR INJURY | DARK W/ STREET LIGHTS OFF | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 5.865 | REAR-END | 10/24/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLOUDY |
| IS 170 W | 7.031 | OTHER | 11/2/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 5.865 | REAR-END | 11/3/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 5.865 | REAR-END | 11/5/2015 | MINOR INJURY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 5.865 | RIGHT TURN RIGHT ANGLE COLLISION | 11/6/2015 | MINOR INJURY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 7.125 | PASSING | 11/10/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DARK W/ STREET LIGHTS ON | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 6.998 | PASSING | 11/11/2015 | MINOR INJURY | DARK W/ STREET LIGHTS ON | DRY | CLOUDY |
| IS 170 W | 7.208 | PASSING | 11/13/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 7.431 | REAR-END | 11/17/2015 | MINOR INJURY | DARK W/ STREET LIGHTS ON | WET | RAIN |


| Travelway | Log | Crash Class | Date | Severity Rating | Light Cond | Road Surf Cond | Weather Cond |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| IS 170 W | 6.524 | PASSING | 11/18/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 7.095 | REAR-END | 11/19/2015 | DISABLING INJURY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 7.26 | REAR-END | 11/20/2015 | MINOR INJURY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 7.53 | REAR-END | 11/21/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DARK W/ STREET LIGHTS ON | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 6.175 | CHANGING LANE | 11/21/2015 | MINOR INJURY | DARK W/ STREET <br> LIGHTS ON | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 7.616 | PASSING | 11/23/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DARK W/ STREET LIGHTS OFF | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 5.865 | REAR-END | 11/24/2015 | MINOR INJURY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 7.644 | OUT OF CONTROL | 11/30/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DARK W/ STREET LIGHTS OFF | WET | RAIN |
| IS 170 W | 7.634 | OUT OF CONTROL | 11/30/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | WET | RAIN |
| IS 170 W | 7.49 | REAR-END | 12/3/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DARK W/ STREET LIGHTS ON | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 5.865 | REAR-END | 12/16/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLOUDY |
| IS 170 W | 7.027 | REAR-END | 12/22/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 5.864 | REAR-END | 12/31/2015 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLOUDY |
| IS 170 W | 7.036 | OUT OF CONTROL | 1/7/2016 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLOUDY |
| IS 170 W | 7.359 | REAR-END | 1/19/2016 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | SNOW | SNOW |
| IS 170 W | 7.015 | RIGHT TURN | 1/19/2016 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | SNOW | SNOW |
| IS 170 W | 7.106 | PASSING | 1/20/2016 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | WET | CLOUDY |
| IS 170 W | 7.036 | PASSING | 1/23/2016 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DARK W/ STREET LIGHTS OFF | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 7.616 | REAR-END | 1/25/2016 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | $\begin{gathered} \text { DARK W/ STREET } \\ \text { LIGHTS OFF } \end{gathered}$ | WET | CLOUDY |
| IS 170 W | 7.297 | REAR-END | 1/27/2016 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 5.865 | REAR-END | 2/1/2016 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DARK W/ STREET LIGHTS ON | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 7.396 | REAR-END | 2/1/2016 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DARK W/ STREET LIGHTS OFF | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 7.606 | OUT OF CONTROL | 2/3/2016 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLOUDY |
| IS 170 W | 7.552 | PASSING | 2/7/2016 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 5.865 | OUT OF CONTROL | 2/10/2016 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | SNOW | FREEZING |


| Travelway | Log | Crash Class | Date | Severity Rating | Light Cond | Road Surf Cond | Weather Cond |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| IS 170 W | 7.171 | OUT OF CONTROL | 2/11/2016 | MINOR INJURY | DAYLIGHT | WET | CLOUDY |
| IS 170 W | 5.865 | REAR-END | 2/11/2016 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | WET | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 7.086 | OUT OF CONTROL | 2/14/2016 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | ICE | SNOW |
| IS 170 W | 7.065 | HEAD ON | 2/14/2016 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | SNOW | SNOW |
| IS 170 W | 6.75 | CHANGING LANE | 2/25/2016 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLOUDY |
| IS 170 W | 7.616 | REAR-END | 3/1/2016 | MINOR INJURY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLOUDY |
| IS 170 W | 5.865 | REAR-END | 3/8/2016 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLOUDY |
| IS 170 W | 7.017 | REAR-END | 3/9/2016 | MINOR INJURY | DAYLIGHT | WET | CLOUDY |
| IS 170 W | 7.644 | REAR-END | 3/10/2016 | MINOR INJURY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLOUDY |
| IS 170 W | 6.333 | OTHER | 3/18/2016 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 6.333 | OUT OF CONTROL | 3/20/2016 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | NOT STATED/UNKNOWN | UNKN | UNKNOWN |
| IS 170 W | 6.632 | RIGHT ANGLE | 3/30/2016 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | WET | RAIN |
| IS 170 W | 5.912 | REAR-END | 4/7/2016 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 7.116 | REAR-END | 4/13/2016 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 7.172 | PASSING | 4/15/2016 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DARK W/ STREET LIGHTS ON | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 6.371 | OUT OF CONTROL | 4/17/2016 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DARK W/ STREET LIGHTS ON | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 7.626 | PASSING | 5/11/2016 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | WET | RAIN |
| IS 170 W | 7.252 | REAR-END | 5/12/2016 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 7.664 | OUT OF CONTROL | 5/17/2016 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | WET | RAIN |
| IS 170 W | 7.045 | REAR-END | 5/23/2016 | MINOR INJURY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 7.008 | REAR-END | 5/24/2016 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 5.865 | REAR-END | 6/3/2016 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 6.789 | REAR-END | 6/3/2016 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 6.379 | REAR-END | 6/26/2016 | MINOR INJURY | DARK W/ STREET LIGHTS OFF | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 7.565 | PASSING | 6/29/2016 | MINOR INJURY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 7.197 | OTHER | 7/1/2016 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |
| IS 170 W | 7.657 | OUT OF CONTROL | 7/25/2016 | MINOR INJURY | DAYLIGHT | WET | RAIN |
| IS 170 W | 6.53 | OUT OF CONTROL | 7/26/2016 | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLOUDY |
| IS 170 W | 6.37 | PASSING | 7/27/2016 | DISABLING INJURY | DAYLIGHT | DRY | CLEAR |


|  |  |  |  |  |  | Road |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Travelway | Log | Crash Class | Date | Severity Rating | Light Cond | Curf |
| Cond |  |  |  |  |  |  | Weather Cond


| Travelway | Log | Crash Class | Date |  | Severity Rating | Road <br> Surf <br> Cond | Weather Cond |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| IS 170 W | 6.558 | REAR-END | $12 / 20 / 2016$ | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DARK W/ STREET <br> LIGHTS OFF | DRY | CLOUDY |
| RP <br> IS170W <br> TO IS70E <br> E | 0.019 | OUT OF CONTROL | $1 / 31 / 2016$ | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DARK W/ STREET <br> LIGHTS ON | WET | CLEAR |
| RP <br> IS170W <br> TO IS70E <br> E | 0.018 | REAR-END | $11 / 1 / 2016$ | MINOR INJURY | DARK W/ STREET <br> LIGHTS ON | DRY | CLEAR |
| RP IS70E <br> TO IS170E <br> E | 0.389 | OUT OF CONTROL | $12 / 16 / 2015$ | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DARK W/ STREET <br> LIGHTS ON | WET | CLOUDY |
| RP IS70W <br> TO IS170E <br> E | 0.362 | OUT OF CONTROL | $7 / 4 / 2016$ | PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY | DAYLIGHT | WET | CLOUDY |

IS $=$ Interstate and RP=Ramp

## THE INSTITUTE FOR TRANSPORTATION IS THE FOCAL POINT FOR TRANSPORTATION AT IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY.

InTrans centers and programs perform transportation research and provide technology transfer services for government agencies and private companies;

InTrans manages its own education program for transportation students and provides K-12 resources; and
InTrans conducts local, regional, and national transportation services and continuing education programs.


Visit www.InTrans.iastate.edu for color pdfs of this and other research reports.


[^0]:    * Note: Lane 1 adjacent to median, lane 2 middle, lane 3 adjacent to outside shoulder

[^1]:    * Note: Lane 1 adjacent to median, lane 2 middle, lane 3 adjacent to outside shoulder

[^2]:    * Note: Lane 1 adjacent to median, lane 2 middle, lane 3 adjacent to outside shoulder
    ** Note: Negative value indicates decrease from early construction to late construction
    *** Note: No lane changes in early construction period

[^3]:    * Note: Lane 1 adjacent to median, lane 2 middle, lane 3 adjacent to outside shoulder

[^4]:    * Note: Lane 1 adjacent to median, lane 2 middle, lane 3 adjacent to outside shoulder

[^5]:    * Note: Lane 1 adjacent to outside shoulder, lane 2 middle, lane 3 adjacent to median,
    ** For lane changes after split sign

[^6]:    IS = Interstate

    * PDO = Property Damage Only, MI = Minor Injury, I = Injury

[^7]:    * Westbound of Natural Bridge Road had no records for the days of interest in 2015.

