

# Development and Demonstration of the Truck Activity Monitoring System (TAMS)



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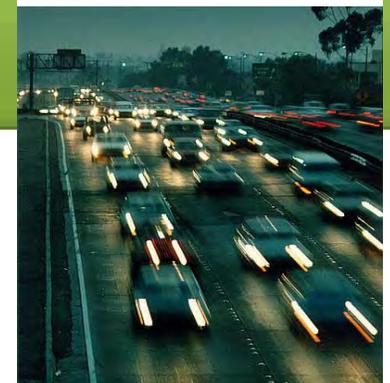
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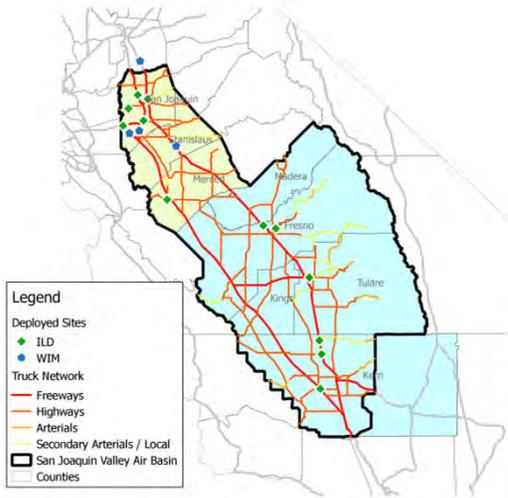
# Truck Configurations



# Trailer Configurations

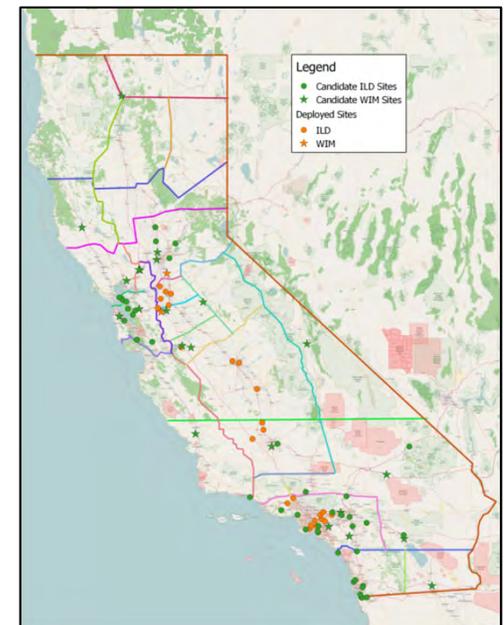


# Background



- Pilot study funded by California Air Resources Board in 2012
  - Initial development of inductive signature-based truck body classification models
  - Deployed at 16 weigh-in-motion (WIM) and inductive loop detector (ILD) sites in the California San Joaquin Valley

- Current study funded by Caltrans in 2015
  - Improved Validation and Calibration of the California Statewide Freight Forecasting Model (CSFFM)
  - Enhancement of truck classification models
  - Expand deployment to over 90 locations along major truck corridors in California, encompassing
    - state borders,
    - regional cordons, and
    - metropolitan areas





# Potential Applications

Estimate proportions of freight and non-freight truck movements



Statistics relating to empty movements in freight trucks



**Better understanding of truck travel patterns and behavior**



Temporal and spatial travel behavior of trucks by industry

Estimate proportions of long and short haul trips along major and restricted truck corridors



# Detector Technologies Behind TAMS

## Two Types of Detector Solutions:

Combination of Weigh-In-Motion (WIM) and Inductive Loop Signature Technology at existing WIM sites



Standalone inductive signature technology at existing Inductive Loop Detector sites

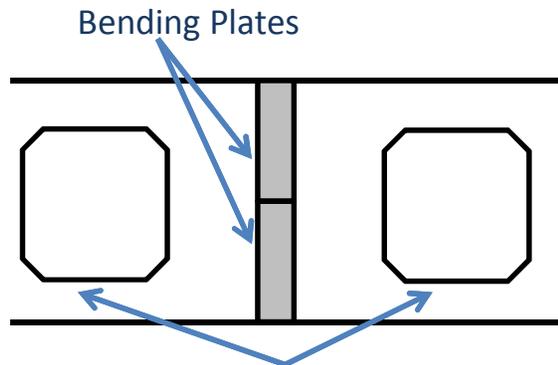


# Weigh-In-Motion Technology

## Components

- **Bending Plates**

- Measure Wheel/Axle Weights



Inductive Loop Sensors  
Traveled lane on freeway

- **Inductive Loop Sensors**

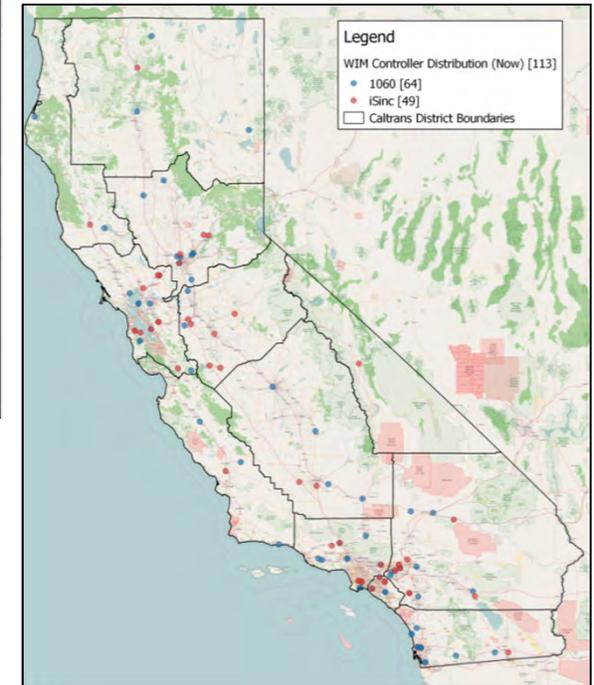
- Presence detection
- Speed measurement
- Transform temporal gap in axle measurements into axle spacing

FHWA Vehicle Classifications			
1. Motorcycles 2 axles, 2 or 3 tires 	2. Passenger Cars 2 axles, can have 1- or 2-axle trailers 	3. Pickups, Panels, Vans 2 axles, 4-tire single units Can have 1 or 2 axle trailers 	4. Buses 2 or 3 axles, full length 
5. Single Unit 2-Axle Trucks 2 axles, 6 tires (dual rear tires), single unit 	6. Single Unit 3-Axle Trucks 3 axles, single unit 	7. Single Unit 4 or More-Axle Trucks 4 or more axles, single unit 	8. Single Trailer 3- or 4-Axle Trucks 3 or 4 axles, single trailer 
9. Single Trailer 5-Axle Trucks 5 axles, single trailer 	10. Single Trailer 6 or More-Axle Trucks 6 or more axles, single trailer 		
11. Multi-Trailer 5 or Less-Axle Trucks 5 or less axles, multiple trailers 		12. Multi-Trailer 6-Axle Trucks 6 axles, multiple trailers 	
13. Multi-Trailer 7 or More-Axle Trucks 7 or more axles, multiple trailers 			

Provides 13 axle-based  
classifications (14 in California)



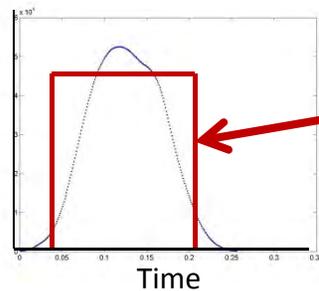
Weigh-In-Motion sensors located  
along a freeway



Over 100 Data WIM sites in  
California located along  
Major Truck Corridors

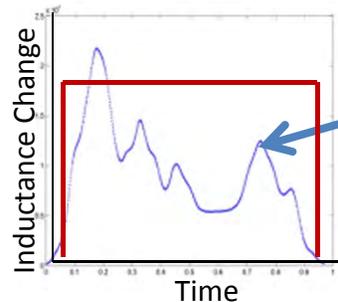
# Inductive Signature Technology

- Conventional ILDs produce bivalent outputs
  - Generate traffic counts, not truck counts
- Advanced ILDs measure inductance changes → ‘Inductive Signature’
  - Inductive signatures are indicative of body configuration



## Conventional Measurement

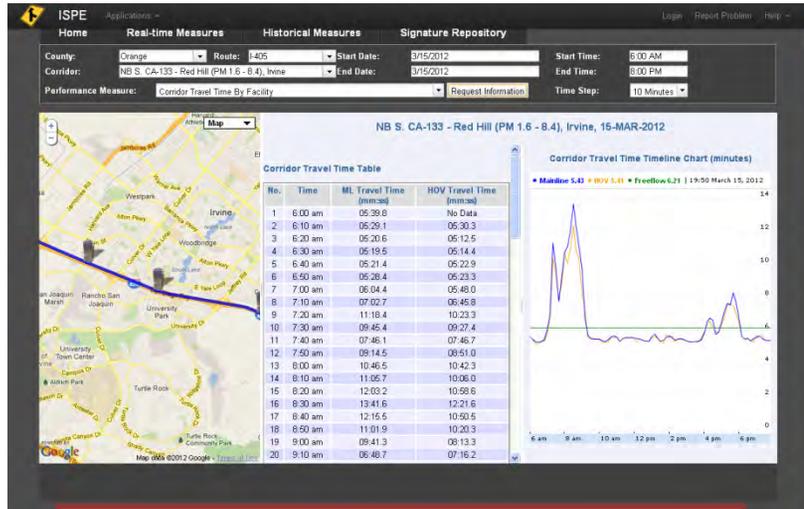
*[0,1] Binary output typically sampled at 30 samples/sec*



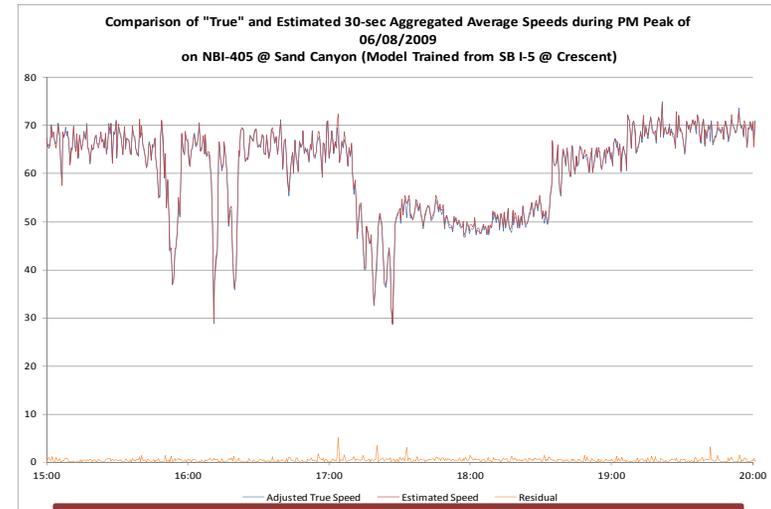
## Inductive Signature

*High resolution inductive magnitude changes at up to 1000 samples/sec*

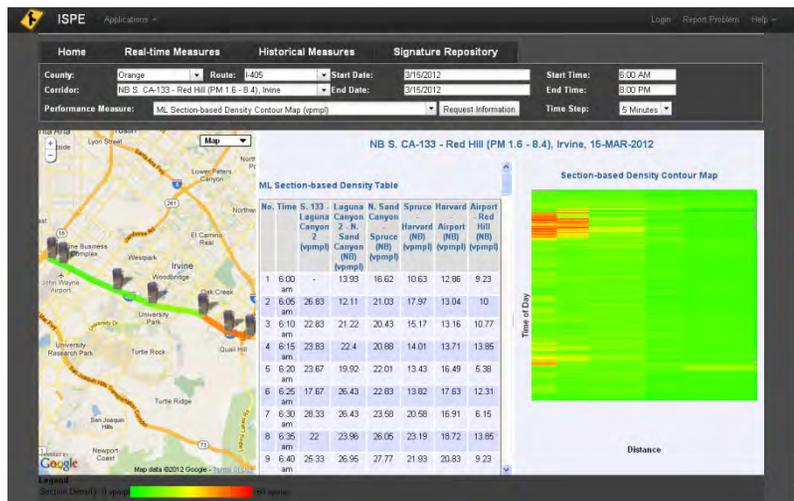
# Inductive Vehicle Signature Applications



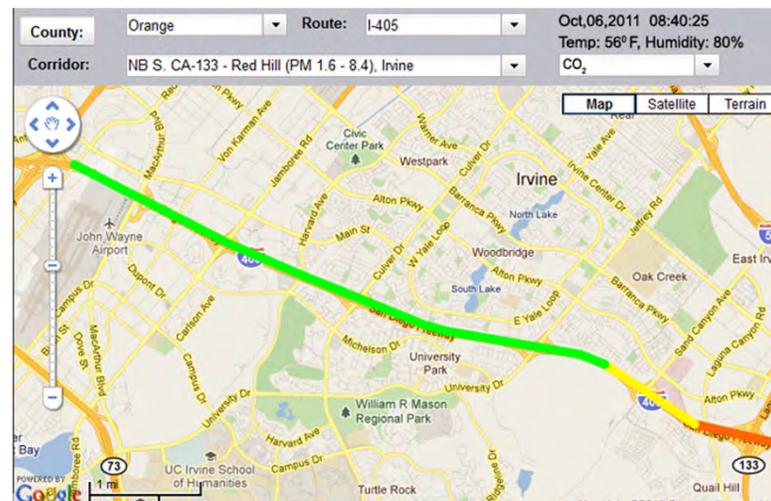
Real-time Section Travel Time and Speeds



Single Loop Point Speed Estimation



Section-level Density



Section-level Emissions Estimation

# Sample FHWA Class 9 (5- Axle Semi-Trailer) signatures by trailer configuration

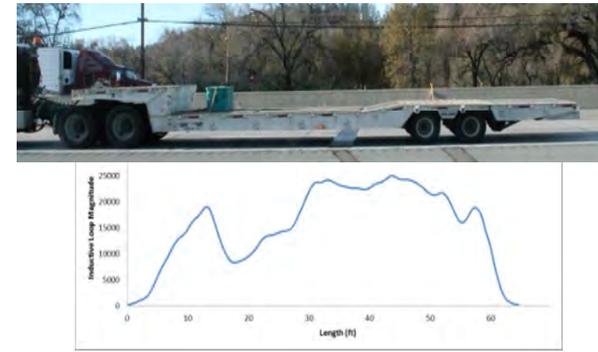
### Enclosed Van



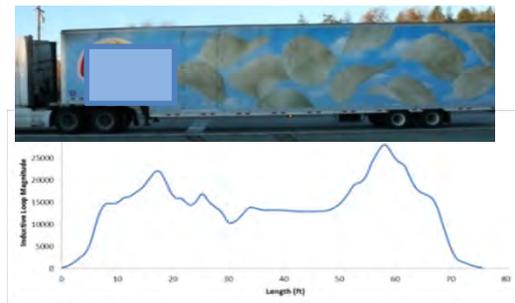
### Livestock



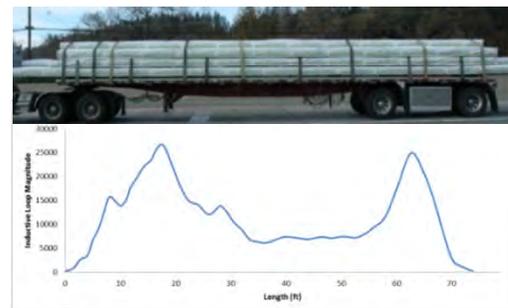
### Low Boy Platform



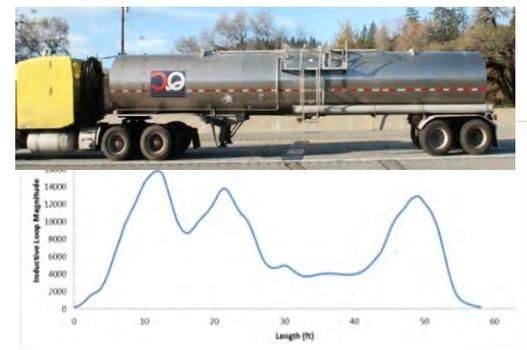
### Drop Frame Van



### Basic Platform

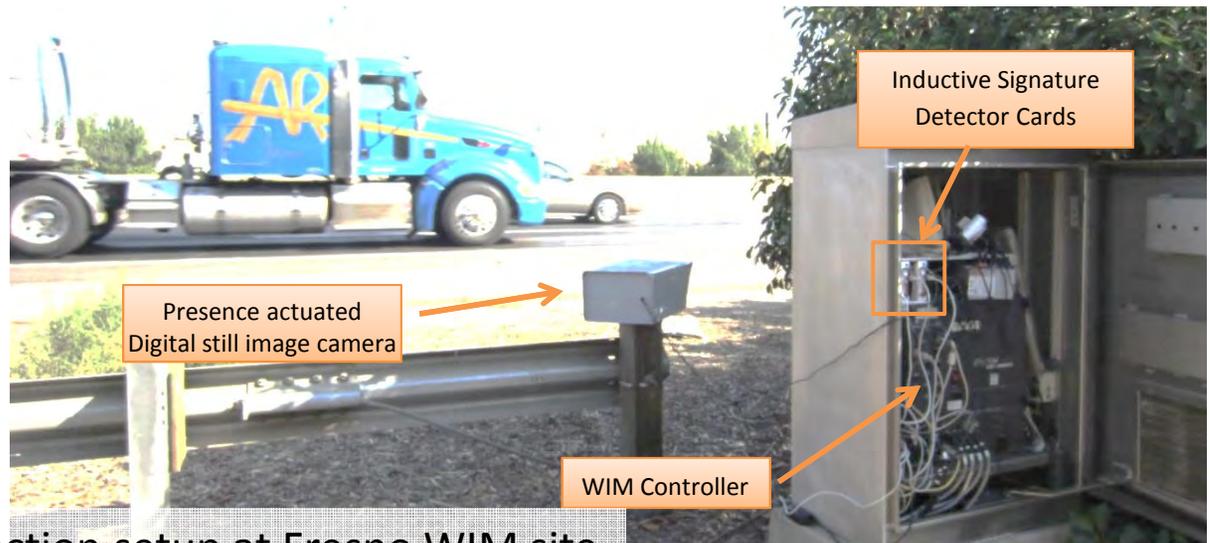
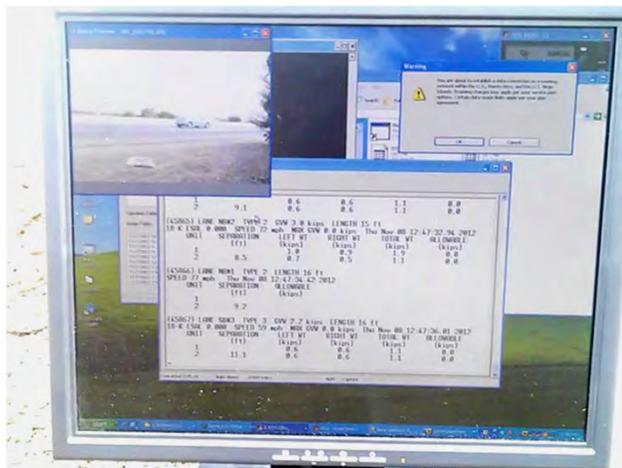
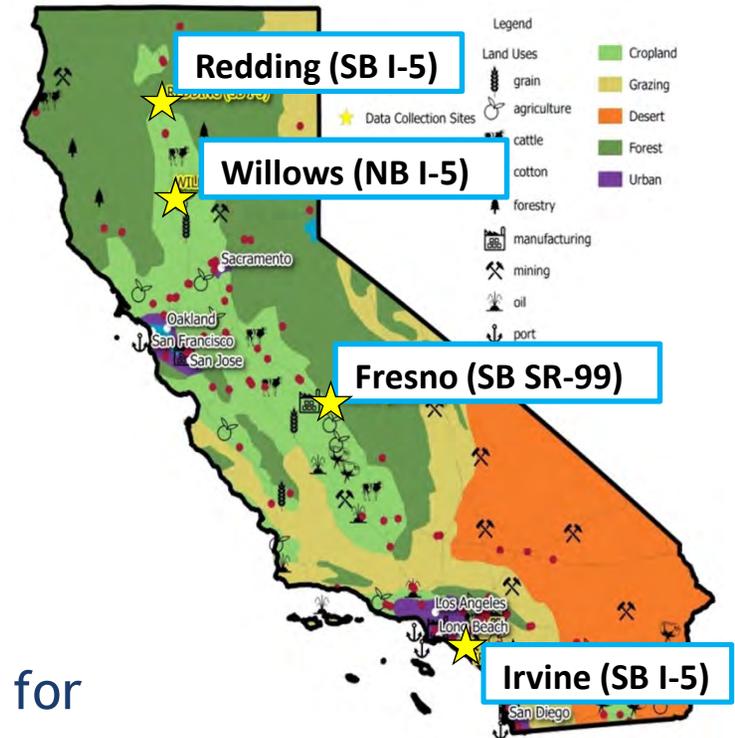


### Tanks



# Data Collection Sites

- **Land use variation:** four sites with differing land use characteristics
- **Comprehensive data:** still image photos, WIM data, and inductive signatures
- **Temporal variation:** multiple times of day, days of week, and seasons included
- 97 hours of data collected, with 35,000 vehicle records (mostly trucks) processed for model development and testing



Data collection setup at Fresno WIM site

# Data Groundtruth System

Groundtruthing Form

Station 501 Lane 5 Date 10/2/2012

Image Data  
Current Image: 1 No. Images: 3

Groundtruth Selection  
**Current Vehicle: 151349224254070**  
 Total No. Axles: 2  Single Unit  
 Truck Axle: Single - Single 4 Tire  
 Truck Body: 30ft Bus  
 Trailer Axle: No Trailer  
 Trailer Body: No Trailer  
 Unsure?

Start Time 10/2/2012 5:30:00 PM End Time 10/2/2012 6:00:00 PM

VehicleID	Time	TotalAxle	TruckAxle	TrailerAxle
151349224223870	10/2/2012 5:30:23 PM	5	3	4
151349224254070	10/2/2012 5:30:54 PM	2	1	99
151349224348080	10/2/2012 5:32:28 PM			
151349224356450	10/2/2012 5:32:36 PM			
151349224365250	10/2/2012 5:32:45 PM			
151349224369780	10/2/2012 5:32:49 PM			
151349224456900	10/2/2012 5:34:16 PM			
151349224511480	10/2/2012 5:35:11 PM			
151349224653050	10/2/2012 5:37:33 PM			

VDS Signature Data  
 Time Window (sec): 3 Time Offset (sec): 0   
  
 Duration: 0.659

WIM Weight and Axle Data  
 Time Window (sec): 3 Time Offset (sec): -47.5   
  
 Duration: 0.642

WIM Signature Data  
 Time Window (sec): 3 Time Offset (sec): 2.31   
  
 Duration: 0.675

SigID	VehicleID	Adjusted Time	Time
151...		10/2/2012 5:30:51 PM	10/2/2012 5:30:...
151	1512	10/2/2012 5:30:53 PM	10/2/2012 5:30:...
151...		10/2/2012 5:30:55 PM	10/2/2012 5:30:...
151		10/2/2012 5:30:56 PM	10/2/2012 5:30:...

Total No. Records: 34 Records Completed: 2

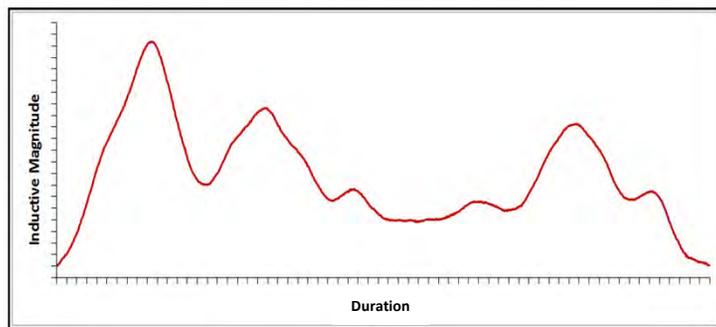
# Model Design

## Two Types of Body Classification Models Developed:

*Inductive Signature only*  
Model  
(for existing ILD sites)



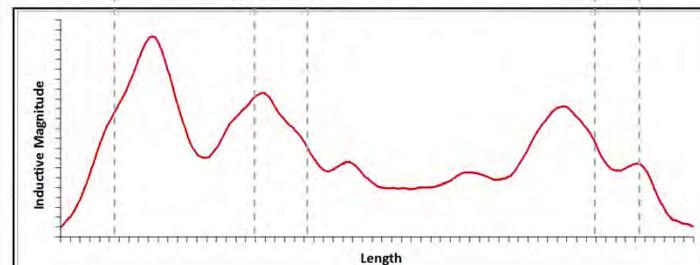
**Inductive Signature Data**



Integrated *WIM and*  
*Inductive Signature* Model  
(for existing WIM sites)



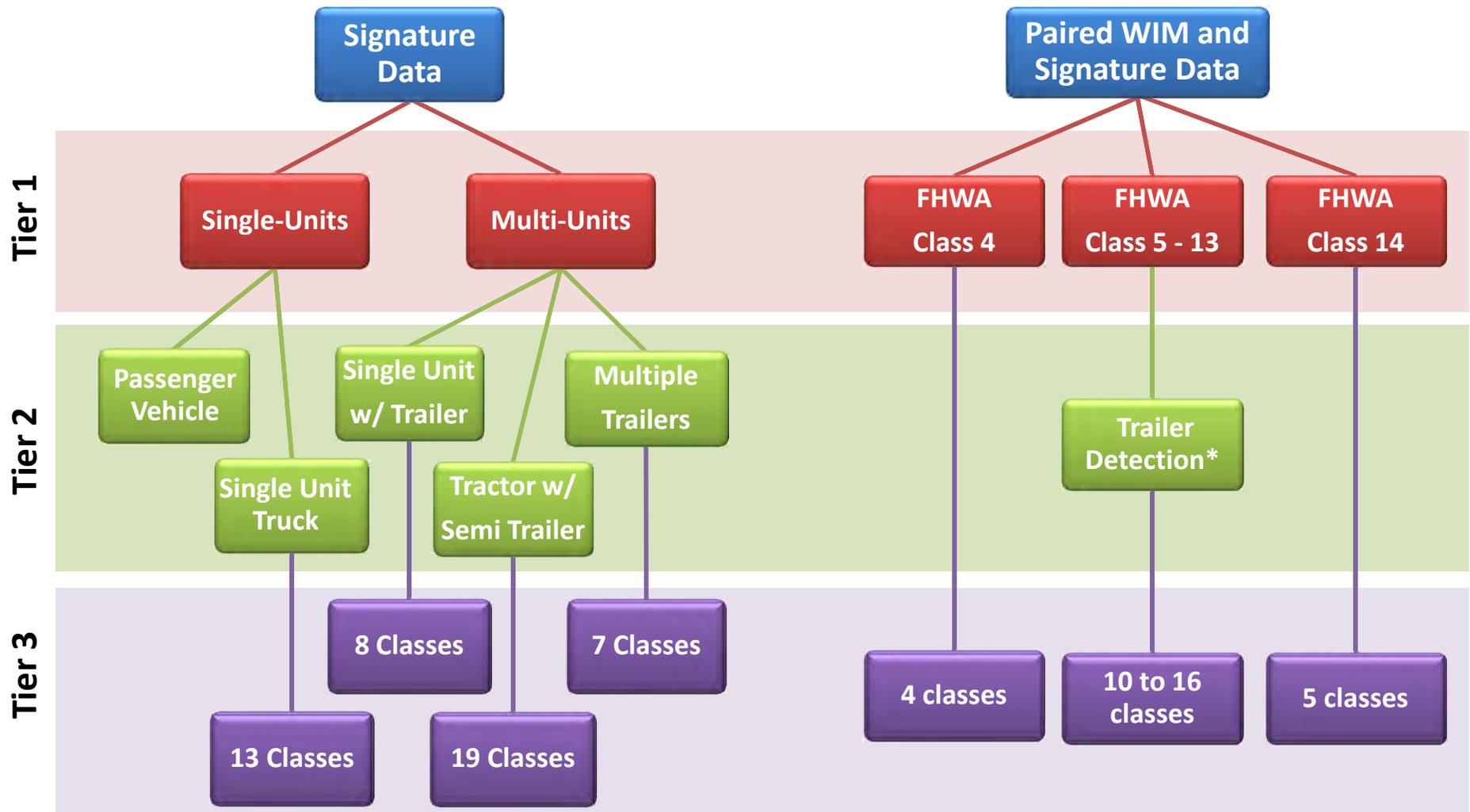
**Inductive Signature Data**



# Body Classification Architecture: Two Systems of Models

Signature Only Model System

WIM and Signature Model System



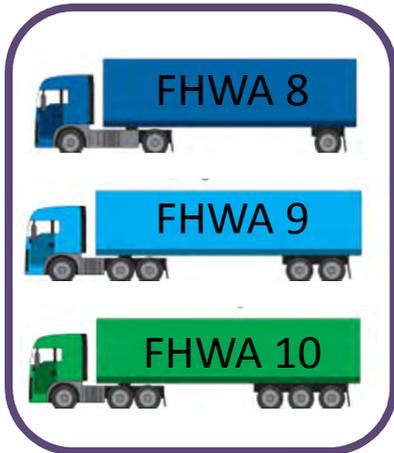
# Signature Only Model Results

- Body class model results summary
  - 4 categories incorporating 47 truck body classes
  - 34 classes with classification accuracy > 70%
  - 27 classes with volume error < 10%

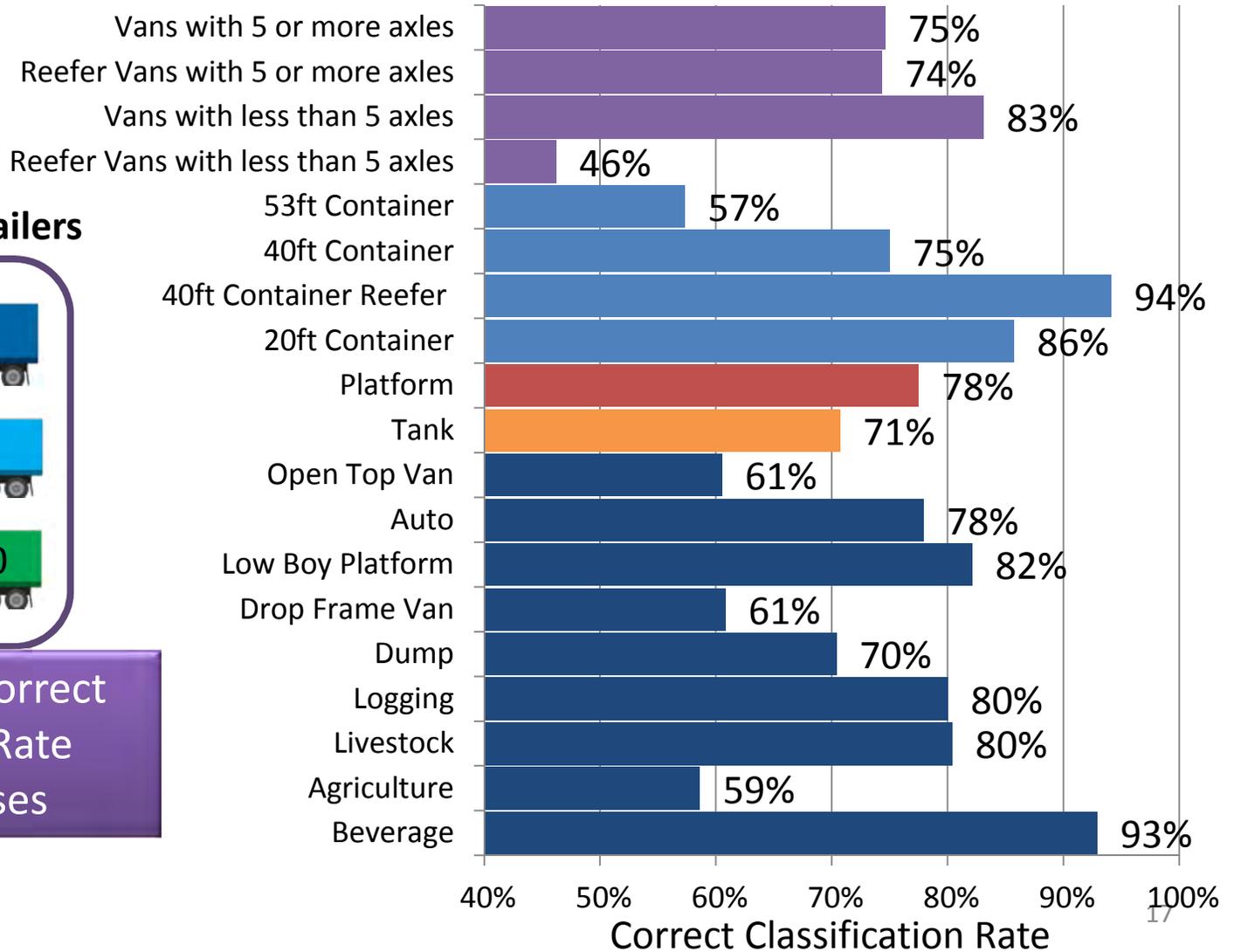
Sub-Model	Classes	Accuracy (%)	Volume Error (%)
Passenger Vehicles	1		
Single Unit Trucks	13	72.3	15.4
Single Unit w/ Trailers	8	94.2	8.2
Single Semi-Trailers	19	74.2	11.3
Multiple Semi-Trailers	7	90.4	7.0

# Signature Only Model Results

## Semi Tractor Trailers



Overall 74.3% Correct Classification Rate  
19 body classes



# Integrated (WIM + Signature) Model Results

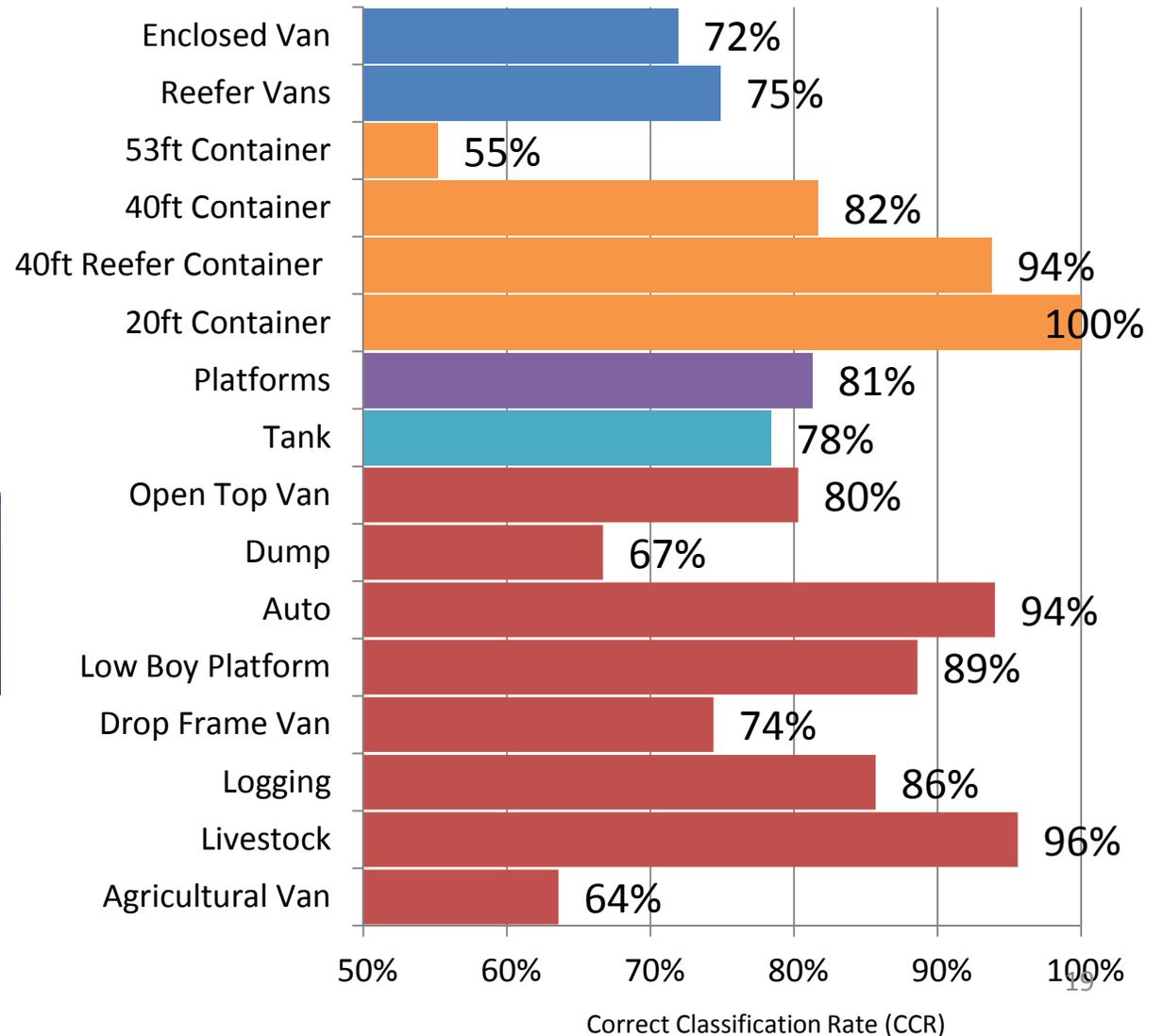
- System of 9 sub-models with 63 body classes
- 52 classes with classification accuracy > 70%
- 37 classes with volume error < 10%

	Model	Classes	Accuracy (%)	Volume Error (%)
	FHWA 4	4	95.2	9.7
	FHWA 5	10	75.3	6.8
	FHWA 6	8	80.5	9.2
	FHWA 7	4	100.0	0.0
	FHWA 8	5	90.9	4.2
	FHWA 9 Semi Tractors	16	75.4	12.2
	FHWA 9 Single Trailers	5	96.7	1.7
	FHWA 10	4	92.3	7.7
	FHWA 11 and 12	7	92.7	8.0

# Integrated (WIM + Signature) Model Results



Overall 76% Correct  
Classification Rate  
16 body classes



# Hardware Components



**Advanced Detector  
Cards**  
(Acquire Inductive  
Signature Data)



**Fan-less Field  
Processing Unit**  
(Data Processing)



**Wireless Modem**  
(Communications  
to Server)



# Types of Site Deployments

## WIM-Signature Integration



WIM Site  
on SR-99 between  
Stockton and  
Sacramento

## Inductive Signature Only



Ramp Metering ILD  
Site  
on SR-91 in LA

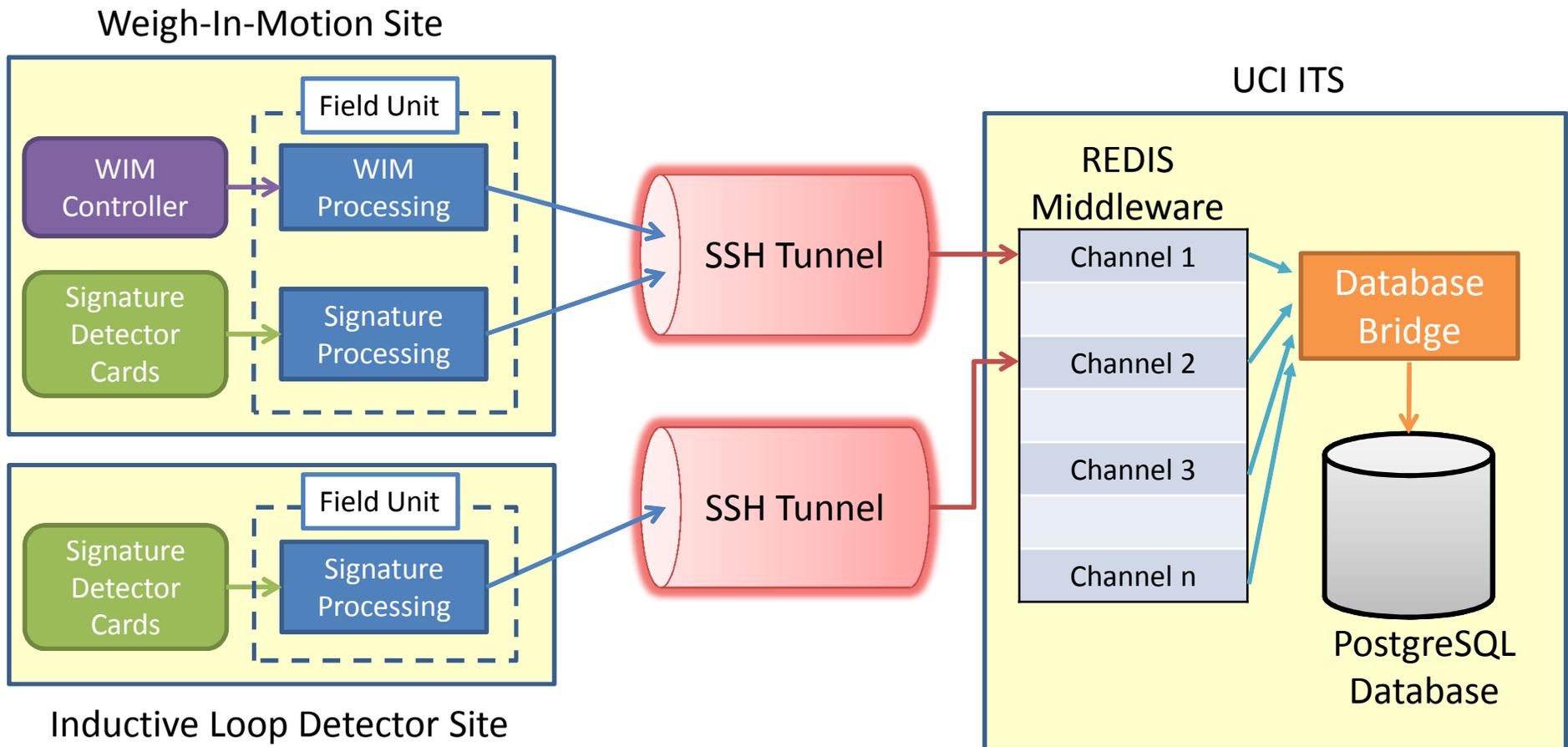


Traffic Monitoring Site  
on CA-4 near Stockton



Census AVC Site  
on I-15 in Escondido

# Data Flow Architecture Overview



# LIVE DEMO

- 1. Live Signature Transmission**
- 2. Walk Through TAMS Web Interface**

# Collateral Benefits

## Policy Evaluation

- i.e. PierPass: Monitoring truck port activities

## Enforcement

- Monitor truck lane violations
- Monitor unauthorized travel along restricted routes

## Impact Assessment of Non-recurrent Events

- Determine the impacts of port strikes, freeway closures, etc.

## Understand Industry Impacts on Traffic, Infrastructure and Emissions

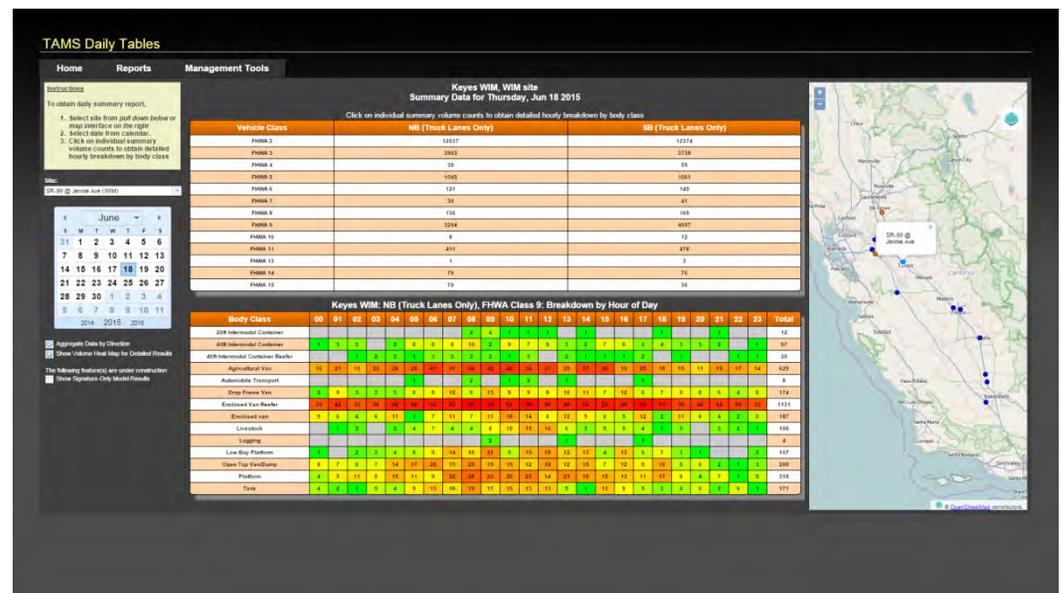
- Ability to analyze temporal and seasonal variations of truck activity by industry

## Anonymous Truck Tracking

- Towards improved truck VMT estimates

# QUESTIONS

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Truck Activity Monitoring System, <http://freight.its.uci.edu/tams>

# Case Study I: SR-205 @ Tracy Corridor Analysis

SR-205 @ Mountain House Pkwy (ILD): ILD site  
Summary Data for Thursday, Jun 11 2015

Click on individual summary volume counts to obtain detailed hourly breakdown by body class

Vehicle Category	EB (Truck Lanes Only)	WB (Truck Lanes Only)
Passenger Vehicle	34183	28872
Single Unit Truck	2170	1788
Truck with Single Trailer	519	331
Tractor with Semi-Trailer	2462	1543
Tractor with Multiple Trailers	153	107

SR-205 @ Mountain House Pkwy (ILD): EB (Truck Lanes Only), Tier 2 Class Semi: Breakdown by Hour of Day

Body Class	00	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	Total
20ft Container			1		2	2	3	7	3	3	7	6	8	7	6	15	12	7	11	7	2		1	2	113
40ft Container	1				3	12	21	7	8	19	11	28	9	8	24	17	23	29	22	3	1	2	1		249
40ft Container Reefer										2	1	3	1	2		4	1	1	1	1					18
53ft Container		2			2	11		4	6	2	5	3	9	8	7	5	3	4		3	3		2	1	70
Apparel																									17
Auto			1					1	2	2	1		1	3	2	3	2	2	2	1	3	1			27
Beverage																									9
Bulk Waste																									6
Container/Chassis																									1
Drop Frame Van				4							2	1	2	2	3	2	3	3	5	2	3	1	1	2	40
Dump																									44
Enclosed Van (FHWA g)	1																								49
Enclosed Van (FHWA g)	6	4	3	5	7	12	28	35	41	27	46	43	62	67	48	34	42	39	28	34	25	15	24	23	711
Enclosed Van Reefer (FHWA g)																									18
Enclosed Van Reefer (FHWA g)	3	4	3	7	1	6	17	26	23	14	34	20	27	27	15	20	22	22	7	25	14	13	8	8	376
Leisure																									1
Loading																									58
Low Boy Platform																									94
Open Top Van																									111
Platform																									305
Tank	3	3																							144

SR-205 @ Mountain House Pkwy (ILD): WB (Truck Lanes Only), Tier 2 Class Semi: Breakdown by Hour of Day

Body Class	00	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	Total
20ft Container	1																								66
40ft Container	2																								229
40ft Container Reefer																									28
53ft Container																									45
Apparel																									16
Auto																									11
Beverage																									10
Bulk Waste																									1
Container/Chassis																									1
Drop Frame Van																									24
Dump	1																								48
Enclosed Van (FHWA g)	2																								56
Enclosed Van (FHWA g)	18	5	3	4	4	1	16	29	39	17	45	21	53	34	39	35	30	24	18	24	28	15	20	23	511
Enclosed Van Reefer (FHWA g)																									12
Enclosed Van Reefer (FHWA g)	8	3	3	6	3	2	7	7	11	13	10	5	24	16	16	18	19	27	10	19	13	6	13	9	275
Loading																									2
Loading																									14
Low Boy Platform	2																								53
Open Top Van	3																								92
Platform	7																								209
Tank																									118



- Located between Port of Oakland and Lathrop rail facility
- Dominated by Enclosed Vans (Typical on most major truck routes)
  - Significant volume extends into the night
- Significant volume of 40-foot Intermodal Containers (~250/day)
  - Peak volume during the day
- Low volume of 53-foot domestic Intermodal Containers (~75/day)

Time of day volumes of Semi-Trailers by Body Configuration  
(color scale indicates hourly volume)

# Case Study I: I-5 @ Stockton Corridor Analysis

I-5 @ Valley Forge (ILD), ILD site  
Summary Data for Wednesday, Jun 17 2015

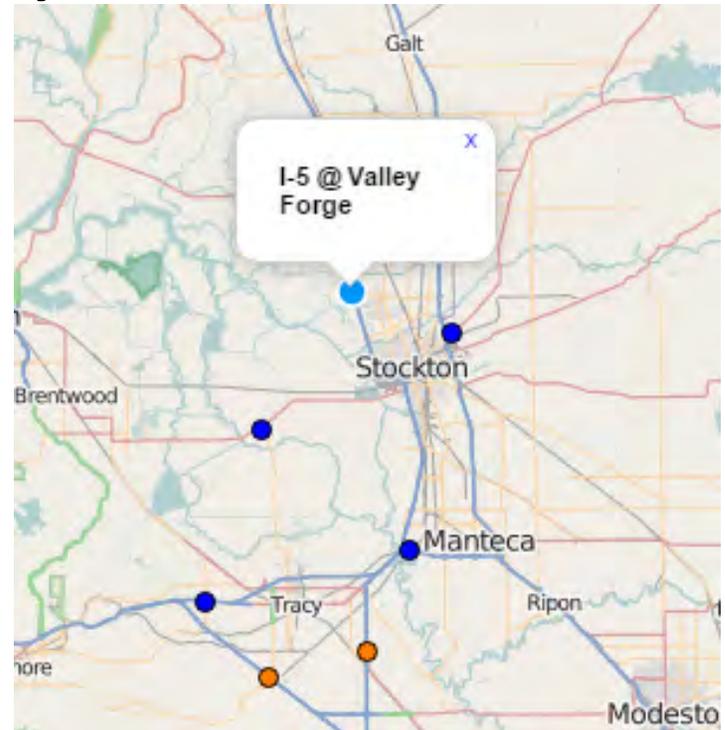
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Passenger Vehicle	20030	19111
Single Unit Truck	2063	1967
Truck with Single Trailer	722	692
Tractor with Semi-Trailer	6259	5539
Tractor with Multiple Trailers	617	623

I-5 @ Valley Forge (ILD): NB (Truck Lanes Only), Tier 2 Class Semi: Breakdown by Hour of Day

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40ft Container Reefer	1	1	1	1	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	1	2	1	1	1	2	3	1	1	1	1	26
53ft Container	3	4	6	9	13	34	20	30	27	11	17	18	22	27	15	15	8	14	12	13	12	9	6	3	345
Automobile						3	3	2	3	1	1	2	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	21
Auto						6	4	9	8	3	7	4	5	6	3	2	4	6	3	6	3	2	2	2	85
Recrease						1	2	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	2	1	2	2	2	1	1	18
Rubb Waste						2	1	1	2	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	13
Container Chassis										1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3
Drop Frame Van	1	3	1	1	1	1	6	4	7	13	11	9	6	4	9	14	6	9	7	6	7	6	1	1	134
Dump	2	1	1	2	4	2	7	6	6	2	5	2	4	4	6	5	2	5	5	1	1	1	2	2	74
Enclosed Van (FHWA B)	2	2	4	3	4	10	2	7	2	7	7	8	3	4	1	4	4	3	2	1	3	2	2	2	79
Enclosed Van (FHWA B)	53	53	41	58	43	108	142	160	141	162	148	132	122	109	110	95	92	85	123	118	98	84	83	47	2386
Enclosed Van Reefer (FHWA B)	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	10
Enclosed Van Reefer (FHWA B)	35	38	42	37	32	47	61	63	67	57	67	68	76	74	64	64	50	60	69	63	60	60	61	38	1412
Luxorick	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	23
Loading						2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	25
Low Boy Platform	3	2	5	7	2	8	21	10	7	21	18	24	10	21	12	10	8	4	9	6	1	6	4	1	231
Open Top Van	2	2	3	9	13	14	20	8	16	13	9	10	11	12	13	7	9	5	6	2	3	3	2	190	
Platform	11	8	8	13	22	38	42	37	45	50	40	48	37	44	49	32	29	28	41	16	28	23	20	15	717
Tank	4	6	11	12	12	20	27	24	31	29	31	23	14	13	18	15	17	11	14	6	11	7	7	4	366

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Automobile						2	1	1	1	1	2	3	2	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	23
Auto	3	1	1	1	1	2	7	3	2	3	6	2	6	5	7	7	4	2	3	2	2	1	1	1	69
Recrease									1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	9
Rubb Waste						1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	19
Container Chassis										1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2
Drop Frame Van						1	4	2	6	9	7	10	6	2	3	6	6	6	10	5	3	1	1	2	92
Dump						1	3	1	5	5	7	8	2	7	6	7	6	3	4	4	1	2	1	1	79
Enclosed Van (FHWA B)	1	1	1	2	3	2	2	4	1	5	8	4	4	5	3	5	6	1	3	3	3	3	1	1	68
Enclosed Van (FHWA B)	52	52	40	39	44	44	77	67	60	104	125	115	142	124	137	142	112	82	69	63	57	58	45	42	2131
Enclosed Van Reefer (FHWA B)						1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	9
Enclosed Van Reefer (FHWA B)	28	23	18	27	14	30	42	52	52	77	65	65	71	68	65	75	67	54	51	46	39	33	40	35	1182
Luxorick						1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	12
Loading						1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	32
Low Boy Platform	3	4	4	3	1	5	8	7	7	12	14	14	16	17	15	10	9	7	11	5	1	5	3	1	182
Open Top Van						2	7	4	9	15	12	8	9	5	16	9	7	5	7	4	7	3	2	2	139
Platform	6	12	13	6	3	21	23	28	31	40	46	39	49	53	48	29	27	35	31	36	15	18	12	11	627
Tank	5	1	1	5	8	11	24	16	16	24	23	22	20	38	22	31	12	20	19	22	17	9	9	5	373



Northbound Direction

Southbound Direction

- Located north of Stockton
- Dominated by Enclosed Vans (3,000 – 4,000 / day)
  - Significant volume extends into the night
- Insignificant volume of 40-foot Intermodal Containers (<100 / day)
  - Peak volume during the day
- Significant volume of domestic 53-foot Intermodal Containers (~ 350/day)

Time of day volumes of Semi-Trailers by Body Configuration  
(color scale indicates hourly volume)