



## ASSET MANAGEMENT

### *Traffic Signals*

July 25, 2023

# Asset Management of Traffic Signals

## Asset Management Approaches

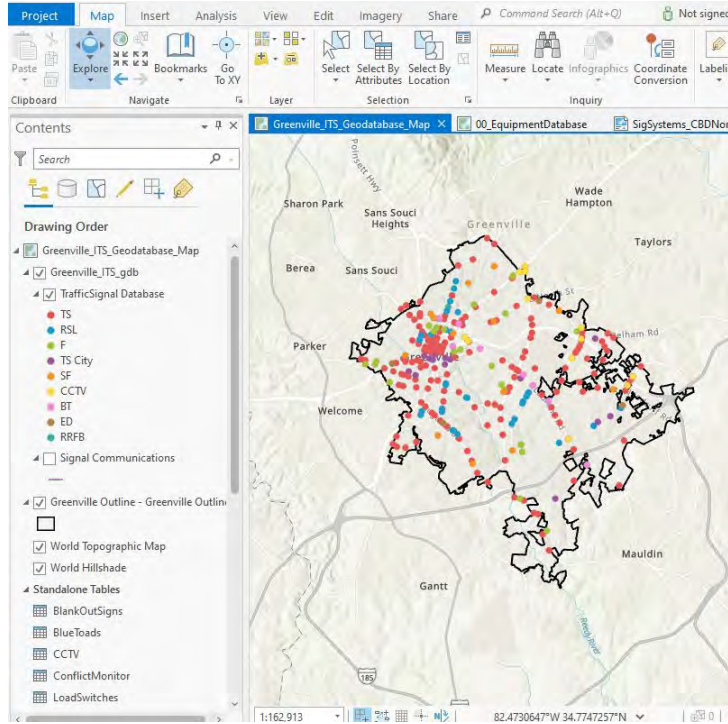
1. Non-compliance with standards
2. Technical obsolescence (including both actual and predicted)
3. Condition-based assessments with inspections to track progression over time.

These slides address type 3 (condition-based).

## Outline

1. Inventory
2. Inspection
3. Analysis
4. Recommendation

# 1. Inventory



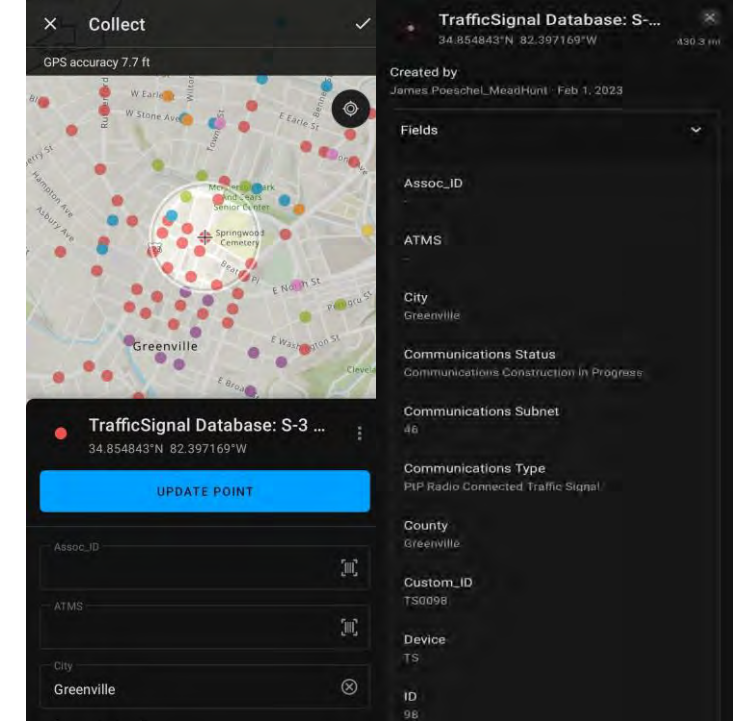
ArcPro

- Create GIS data and associated attributes
- Publish maps to AGOL
- Update data



ArcGIS Online (AGOL)

- Create Online web applications for internal use or make them public
- Create web maps for field data collection
- Update data



Mobile Apps

- Use phones or tablets to collect or update data in the field
- Updates synch in real time with web applications

# 1. Inventory

## Mobile Apps for Data Collection

The apps help the field workers to efficiently capture assets and observations by filling out map-driven forms on their own mobile device.

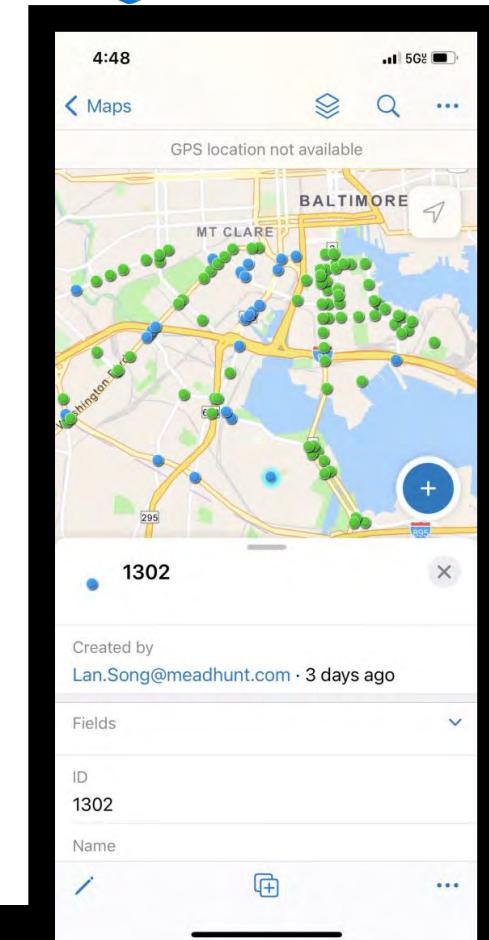
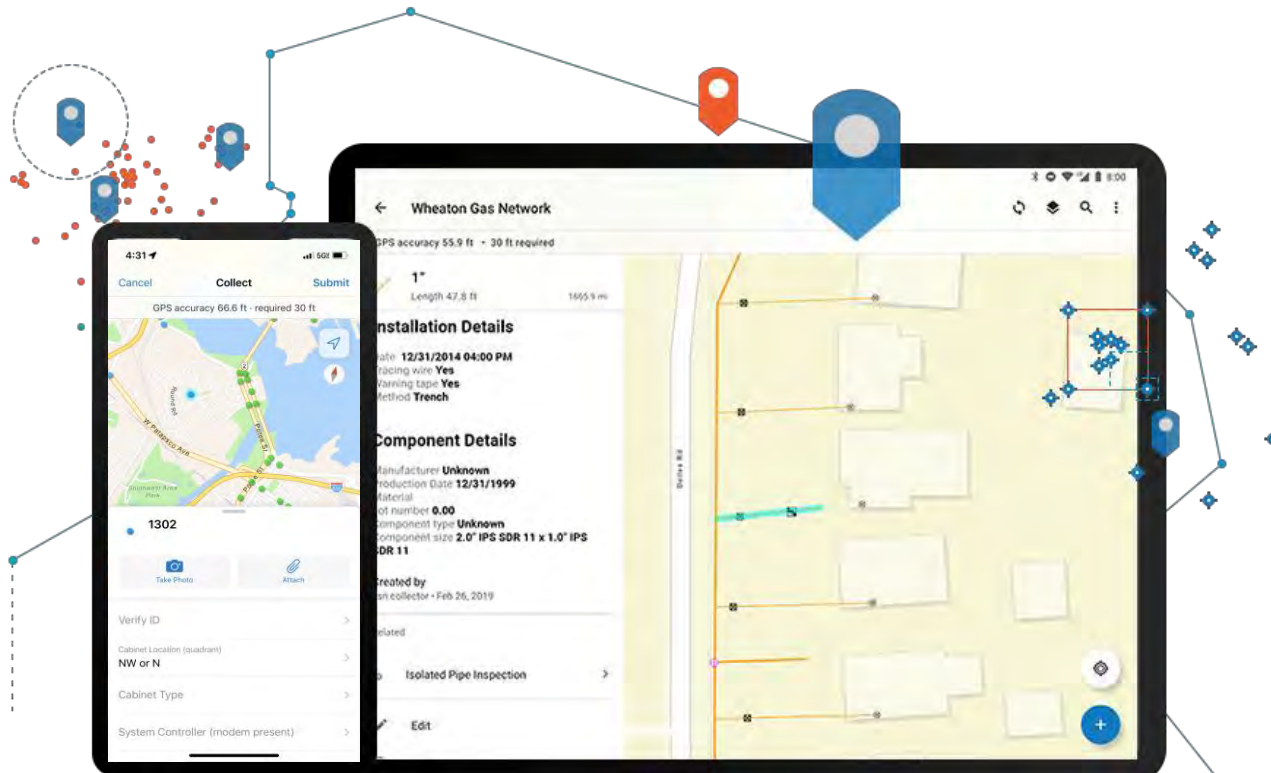


Arc Collector

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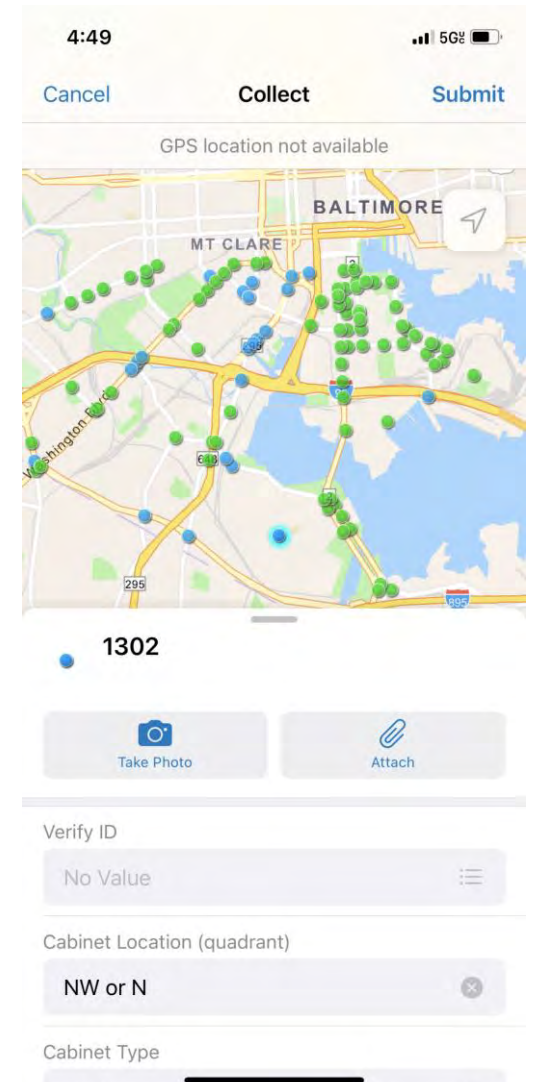
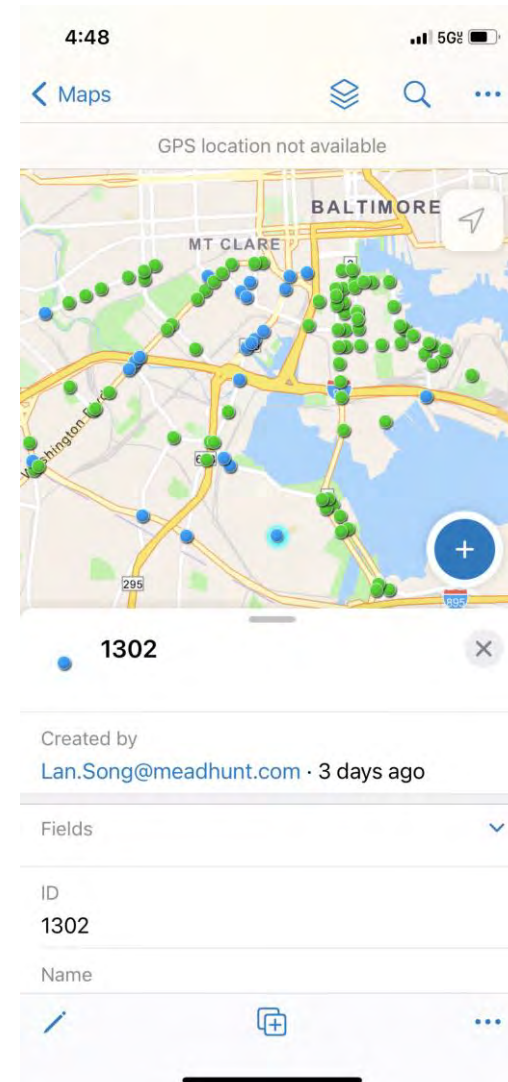
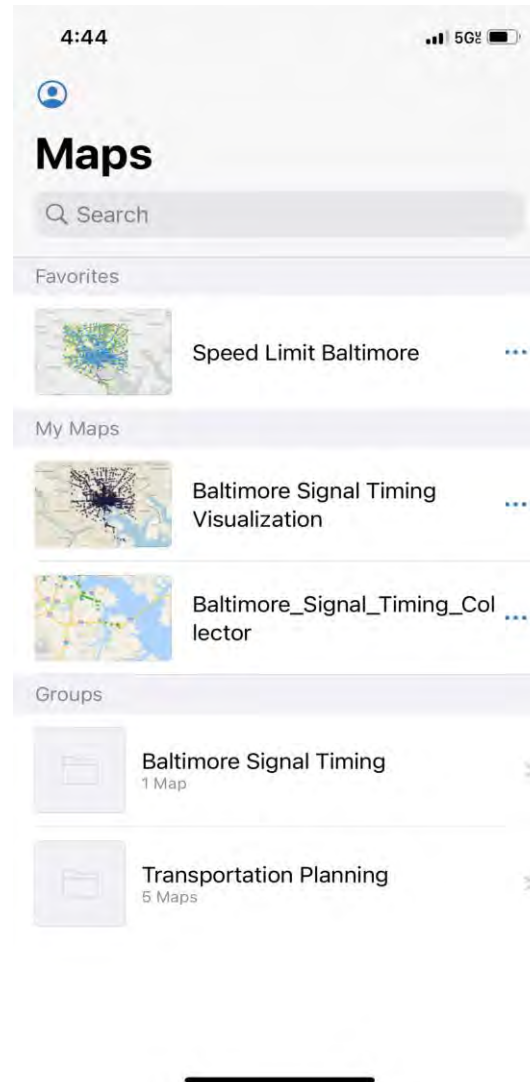
Field Map



# 1. Inventory

## Steps to Use the App

- Install the apps
- Sign In
- Select your map
- Navigate to the location
- Edit existing features or Add new features
- Attach media as needed
- Submit



# 1. Inventory

## Adding /Editing Data in the Field

Populate data using drop down menus

Cancel Collect Submit

SignalHead

130044

Mounting\_style >

NOTES

Signal\_head\_module >

Signal\_Head\_no >

Signal\_Head\_Code  
11

Signal\_Head\_configuration\_no  
RYG

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No Value ✓

NB

SB

EB

WB

No Value ✓

Span Wire

Mast Arm

Post Mounting

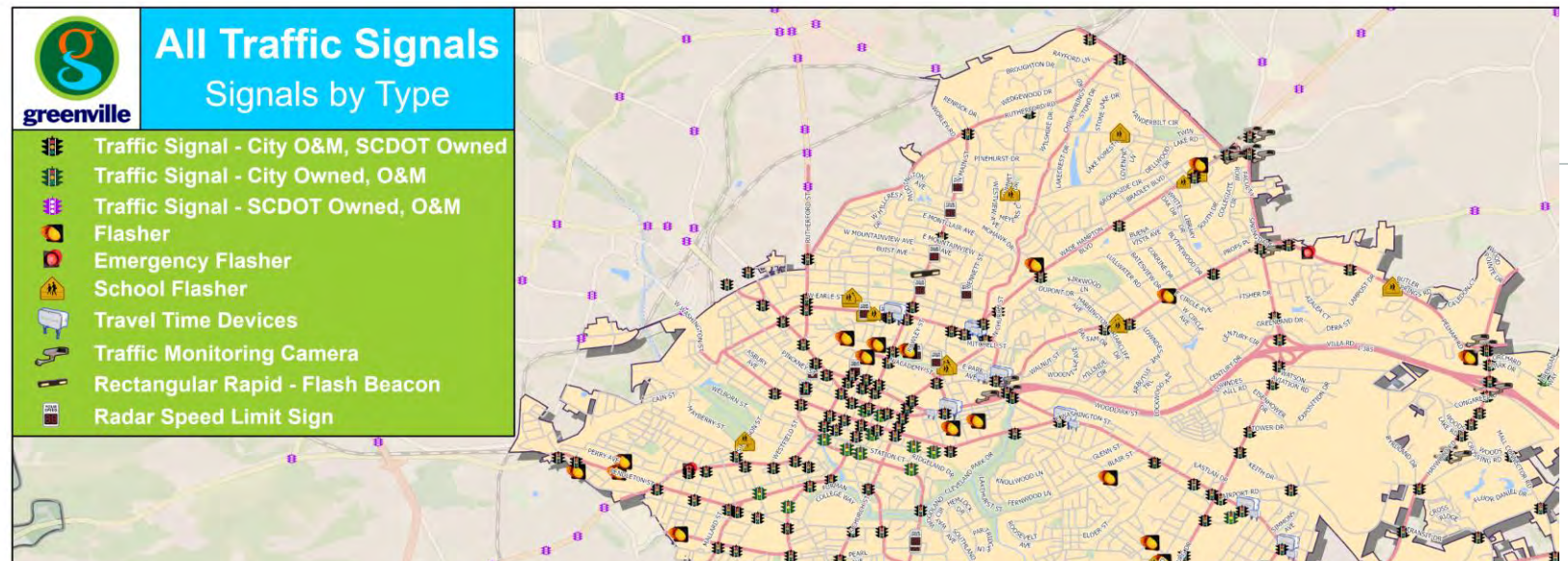


# 1. Inventory

- Prepare GIS Data
  - Add attribute fields
  - Create domains
- Publish to Mead and Hunt Portal
  - [Mead & Hunt ArcGIS Portal \(meadhunt.com\)](https://meadhunt.com)
- Create a web map
  - Configure the fields and pop-up window
  - Share with the group and organization
- Ready to use in the apps

| Field Name                        | Domain                                                                       |                                                                                                            |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| ID                                |                                                                              |                                                                                                            |
| Name                              |                                                                              |                                                                                                            |
| Zone                              |                                                                              |                                                                                                            |
| New Count Vendor                  |                                                                              |                                                                                                            |
| New Count Group                   |                                                                              |                                                                                                            |
| Verify ID                         | Yes<br>NA<br>No                                                              | Bike Facilities (any approach)<br>Yes (On-Street Bike Lane)<br>Yes (2-way Cycle Track)<br>Yes (Both Types) |
| Cabinet Location (quadrant)       | NE or E<br>NW or N<br>SE or S<br>SW or W                                     | Bus Lane (any approach)<br>No<br>Yes (painted red)<br>Yes (not painted)                                    |
| Cabinet Type                      | A (Pole Mounted)<br>B (Pole Mounted)<br>C (Base Mounted)<br>E (Base Mounted) | Barnes Dance<br>Yes<br>No<br>Preemption<br>Yes<br>No<br>Phase_Mode<br>Std8<br>QuadSeq<br>8PhSeq<br>Other   |
| System Controller (modem present) | Yes<br>No                                                                    | Phase Diagram Complete<br>Yes (All phases confirmed)<br>Yes (at least 1 phase unconfirmed, see notes)      |
| Comm Status                       | Online<br>Offline                                                            | Detector Type<br>None<br>Loop<br>Sensys<br>Trafficon Camera<br>Econolite Camera<br>Other                   |
| Coord Status                      | Coord<br>Free                                                                | Detector State<br>Detector Note                                                                            |
| GPS Unit                          | Yes (disconnect)<br>Yes (connected)<br>No                                    | Phase 2/6 Ped<br>Recall<br>No Recall                                                                       |
| Clock Drift                       |                                                                              | Phase 4/8 Ped<br>Recall<br>No Recall                                                                       |
| Clock Fixed                       | Yes                                                                          | Phase 4/8 Push Button<br>Works<br>Broken                                                                   |
| LPI                               | Yes<br>No                                                                    | Phase 4/8 Push Button Notes<br>Timing Plan Field Change Notes                                              |
| Ped Only Signal                   | Yes<br>No                                                                    | MISC. NOTES                                                                                                |
| Right Turn on Red                 | Yes (all approaches)<br>No Right Turn on Red<br>No Right Turn on Red         | QC Reviewer<br>Anam<br>Ali<br>David<br>Katie<br>Javon<br>John<br>Woody                                     |
| Adjacent Parking Lane             | No<br>Yes (major street)<br>Yes (minor street)<br>Yes (major + minor)        | QC Review Complete<br>Yes                                                                                  |

# 1. Inventory



|                               |                                   |                                       |                                 |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Greenville_ITS.gdb            | Flashers                          | PedestrianSigns                       | SupportPoles                    |
| BlankOutSigns                 | Flashers_RelationClass            | PedestrianSigns_RelationClass         | SupportPoles_RelationClass      |
| BlankOutSigns_Relationclass   | LoadSwitches                      | PowerService                          | TrafficSignal_Database          |
| BlueToads                     | LoadSwitches_RelationClass        | PowerService_RelationClass            | TS_database                     |
| BlueToads_RelationClass       | LoopDetector                      | RadarSpeedFeedbackSigns               | VehicleDetection                |
| Cabinet                       | LoopDetector_RelationClass        | RadarSpeedFeedbackSigns_RelationClass | VehicleDetection_RelationClass  |
| Cabinet_RelationClass         | Mastarm                           | RapidFlashBeacon                      | WirelessRadioComm               |
| CCTV                          | Mastarm_RelationClass             | RapidFlashBeacon_RelationClass        | WirelessRadioComm_RelationClass |
| CCTV_RelationClass            | PedestrianDetection               | SchoolBeacon                          |                                 |
| ConflictMonitor               | PedestrianDetection_RelationClass | SchoolBeacon_RelationClass            |                                 |
| ConflictMonitor_RelationClass | PedestrianPoles                   | Signal_Communications                 |                                 |
| Controllers                   | PedestrianPoles_RelationClass     | SignalHead                            |                                 |
| Controllers_RelationClass     |                                   | SignalHead_RelationClass              |                                 |

## 2. Inspection

### Sample Projects

- Montgomery County, MD
- Howard County
- Frederick County
- City of Annapolis

### Critical Components:

- Poles and Foundations
- Mast-Arms
- Span Wires
- Hand Holes and Conduits
- *Maintenance Items*



Accident Damage

## 2. Inspection - Poles and Foundations

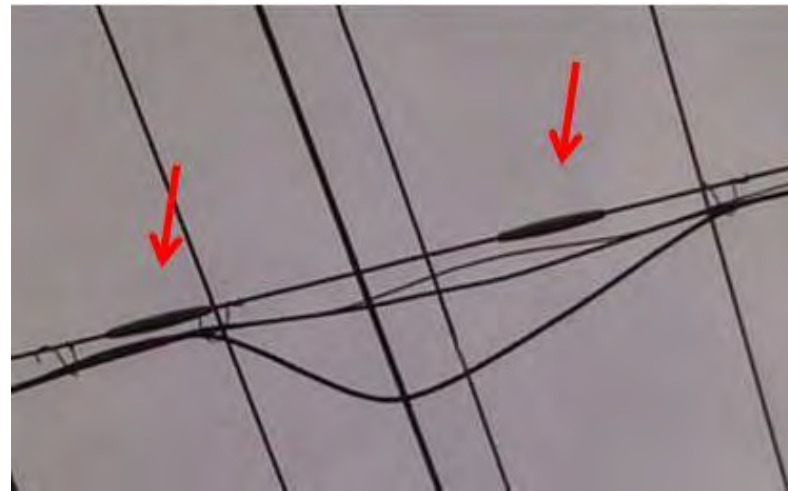


March 2016



August 2021

## 2. Inspection - Mast-Arms and Span Wires



## 2. Inspection - Hand Boxes and Conduits



# 3. Analysis

## 3-Point Likert Scale

- Good
- Fair
- Poor

## Weighted Sum Model

- 0 to 10 points
  - Tested and refined scale
  - Adjust for each agency's input
- High score based on criticality of asset
- Maintenance items not scored

|                                     |                                    |                                  |  |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|--|
| Signal Number: <input type="text"/> |                                    | Location: <input type="text"/>   |  |
| Date: <input type="text"/>          | Inspected By: <input type="text"/> | Checked By: <input type="text"/> |  |

| STRUCTURES:                                                                                                              | POINTS | SCORE |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|-------|
| Signal Age: 0-10 yrs: 0 pts. 11-20 yrs: 5 pts. >20 yrs: 10 pts.                                                          | 0-10   | 0     |
| Design Type: (mast-arm = 0 pts, span wire = 5 pts)                                                                       | 0-5    | 0     |
| Pole Type: (painted = 5 pts, galvanized = 0 pts)                                                                         | 0-5    | 0     |
| General condition of the poles: (good = 0 pts, fair = 5 pts, poor = 10 pts)                                              | 0-10   | 0     |
| Any abnormal bending or pole rake? (moderate = 5 pts, severe = 10 pts)                                                   | 0-10   | 0     |
| Pole back guys in use? (1 back guy = 3 pts, 2 back guys = 5 pts, 3 or more back guys = 10 pts)                           | 0-10   | 0     |
| Is the pole base welded steel or cast iron? (cast iron = 10pts)                                                          | 0-10   | 0     |
| Any signs of cracking at or near base plate welds? (10 pts any signs of cracking)                                        | 0-10   | 0     |
| Any abnormal bending or sagging of the mast arms? (yes = 5 pts, no = 0 pts)                                              | 0-5    | 0     |
| Any signs or rust or corrosion at or near the mast arm mounting plates? (yes = 5 pts, no = 0 pts)                        | 0-5    | 0     |
| Any abnormal sagging of the span wires? (1 span = 5 pts, 2 or more spans = 10 pts)                                       | 0-10   | 0     |
| Any signs of rust on the span wires? (surface area: 25% or less = 5 pts, 25%-50% = 10 pts, greater than 50% = 15 pts)    | 0-15   | 0     |
| Any span wire splices? (1 splice = 5 pts, 2 splices = 10 points, 3 or more splices = 15 pts)                             | 0-15   | 0     |
| Any signs of erosion around any of the pole bases? (yes = 5 pts, no = 0 pts)                                             | 0-5    | 0     |
| Base plate mounted directly to foundation with no leveling nuts? (yes = 5 pts, no = 0 pts)                               | 0-5    | 0     |
| Rust or corrosion on the base plate, anchor bolts, or nuts? severe 25 pts, moderate 15 pts, light 5 pts, no 0 pts)       | 0-25   | 0     |
| Any exposed rebar or abnormal exposure of the anchor bolts? (yes = 5 pts, no = 0 pts)                                    | 0-5    | 0     |
| Any abnormal cracking or spalling of concrete at any of the pole foundations? (moderate = 3 pts, severe = 5 pts)         | 0-5    | 0     |
| <b>OTHER:</b>                                                                                                            |        |       |
| Any apparent violations of the Maryland High Voltage Act? (yes = 10 pts)                                                 | 10     | 0     |
| Any equipment obstructions to walking or biking paths? (1 obstruction = 1 pt, 2 obstructions = 3 pts, 3 or more = 5 pts) | 0-5    | 0     |
| Cabinet conduit capacity: (Below = 0 pt, At = 3 pts, Above = 5 pts)                                                      | 0-5    | 0     |
| Overall condition of the hand boxes: (Good = 0 pt, Fair = 3 pts, Poor = 5 pts)                                           | 0-5    | 0     |
| Conduit fill capacity in hand boxes: (Below = 0 pts, At = 3 pts, Above = 5pts)                                           | 0-5    | 0     |
| General condition of the electrical service: (Good = 0 pts, Fair = 3 pts, Poor = 5pts)                                   | 0-5    | 0     |
| <b>OVERALL SCORE:</b> (Maximum Points = 200)                                                                             |        |       |
|                                                                                                                          |        | 0     |

## 4. Recommendations

|                                                                                                                         |            |                          |             |                          |             |                                                   |              |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|--------------------------|-------------|--------------------------|-------------|---------------------------------------------------|--------------|---|
| <b>CONTROLLER TYPE:</b>                                                                                                 | TS 1       | <input type="checkbox"/> | TS 2 Type 1 | <input type="checkbox"/> | TS 2 Type 2 | <input type="checkbox"/>                          |              |   |
| <b>CABINET TYPE:</b>                                                                                                    | TS 1       | <input type="checkbox"/> | TS 2        | <input type="checkbox"/> | Other       | <input type="checkbox"/>                          |              |   |
|                                                                                                                         | Base Mount | <input type="checkbox"/> | Pole Mount  | <input type="checkbox"/> |             |                                                   |              |   |
| <b>SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS:</b>                                                                                              |            |                          |             |                          |             | <b>POINTS</b>                                     | <b>SCORE</b> |   |
| Is the cabinet in an accessible location?                                                                               |            |                          |             |                          |             | (No = 1 pt)                                       | 0-1          | 0 |
| Cabinet condition:                                                                                                      |            |                          |             |                          |             | (Good = 0 pts, Fair = 1 pt, Poor = 2 pts)         | 0-2          | 0 |
| Per the MUTCD, are there two indications per movement?                                                                  |            |                          |             |                          |             | 1 pt per movement not meeting this requirement)   | 0-4          | 0 |
| Per the MUTCD, are there near-side signal heads were necessary?                                                         |            |                          |             |                          |             | (1 pt per approach not meeting this requirement)  | 0-4          | 0 |
| Are the pedestrian indications appropriately aligned with crosswalks?                                                   |            |                          |             |                          |             | (1 pt per crossing not meeting this requirement)  | 0-4          | 0 |
| Are pedestrian push buttons accessible?                                                                                 |            |                          |             |                          |             | (1 pt for each button that is not accessible)     | 0-8          | 0 |
| Are there any utility lines touching mast-arms or span wires?                                                           |            |                          |             |                          |             | (1 pt per mast-arm or span wire)                  | 0-4          | 0 |
| Are there any signal heads that are obstructed by utility line?                                                         |            |                          |             |                          |             | (1 pt per approach with utility line obstruction) | 0-4          | 0 |
|                                                                                                                         |            |                          |             |                          |             |                                                   |              |   |
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| <b>SUPPLEMENTAL SCORE:</b>                                                                                              |            |                          |             |                          |             |                                                   | 0            |   |
| The Supplemental Score is a secondary score for non-critical items and is not included in the location's Overall Score. |            |                          |             |                          |             |                                                   |              |   |

## Proactive Maintenance & Risk Management

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# 4. Recommendations

## Proactive Maintenance & Risk Management

Howard County Traffic Signal Inspection and Assessment - 2018 Inspection Cycle

Maintenance Follow-up Items

| Ranking | Rating | No | Location                                                  | Buried Base Plate | Cabinet Door Hinge/Lock | Rodent/ Bug | Rodent Barrier | Tightening and Leveling Nuts | Mast Arm Bolts | Access Covers | Hand Holes Retaining Water | Hand Hole Lids Shifted | Electrical Service | Electrical Service - Access Cover | Stop Lines | Crosswalks | Signs | Overgrowth | Loose Ped Pole | Other                                               | Notes                                                                          | Needs media blasting, prime and repaint | Install Date: |
|---------|--------|----|-----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|-------------|----------------|------------------------------|----------------|---------------|----------------------------|------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------------|------------|------------|-------|------------|----------------|-----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|---------------|
| 1       | 84     | 20 | Oakland Mills Rd. at Homespun/Malindy                     |                   |                         |             |                |                              |                |               |                            |                        |                    |                                   |            |            |       |            |                |                                                     | Cabinet door locking mechanism is broken. Will be rebuilt with SRP widening.   |                                         | 12/7/1983     |
| 2       | 79     | 40 | Rogers at Town and Country/Center Dr.                     | X                 |                         |             |                | X                            |                |               |                            |                        |                    |                                   |            |            |       |            |                |                                                     |                                                                                |                                         | 6/11/1992     |
| 3       | 71     | 6  | Harpers Farm Rd. at Cedar La.                             |                   |                         |             |                |                              |                |               |                            |                        |                    |                                   |            |            |       |            | X              |                                                     |                                                                                |                                         | 6/17/1992     |
| 4       | 71     | 15 | Harpers Farm Rd. at Elliot Oaks Rd.                       |                   |                         |             |                |                              |                |               |                            |                        |                    |                                   | X          | X          |       |            |                |                                                     | Will be rebuilt with SRP widening.                                             |                                         | 1/20/1986     |
| 5       | 66     | 24 | Little Patuxent Pkwy. at Symphony Woods/Columbia Mall     |                   |                         |             |                |                              |                |               |                            |                        |                    |                                   |            |            |       |            |                |                                                     |                                                                                |                                         | 8/7/1992      |
| 6       | 66     | 37 | Little Patuxent Pkwy. at Rouse/Mall                       |                   |                         |             |                |                              |                |               |                            |                        |                    |                                   |            |            |       |            |                |                                                     | Structural Evaluation Complete.                                                |                                         | 12/30/1975    |
| 7       | 64     | 28 | Snowden River Pkwy. at Oakland Mills Rd.                  |                   |                         |             |                | X                            |                |               |                            |                        |                    |                                   |            |            |       |            |                |                                                     | Rebuild 2018. Structural Evaluation Complete.                                  |                                         | 9/1/1981      |
| 8       | 61     | 1  | Snowden River Pkwy. at Berger Rd./Carved Stone            |                   | X                       |             |                |                              |                |               |                            |                        |                    |                                   |            |            |       |            |                |                                                     |                                                                                |                                         | 9/1/1981      |
| 9       | 56     | 7  | Cedar La. at Hickory Ridge                                |                   |                         |             |                |                              |                |               |                            |                        | X                  |                                   |            |            |       |            |                |                                                     |                                                                                |                                         | 8/16/1984     |
| 10      | 56     | 11 | Twin Rivers at Crossfox                                   |                   |                         |             |                |                              |                |               |                            |                        |                    |                                   | X          | X          |       |            |                |                                                     | NW corner - loose bolts.                                                       |                                         | 2/4/1985      |
| 11      | 56     | 21 | Little Patuxent Pkwy. at Banneker/Gov. Warfield           |                   |                         |             |                |                              |                |               |                            |                        |                    |                                   |            |            |       |            |                |                                                     |                                                                                |                                         | 11/15/1984    |
| 12      | 52     | 13 | Oakland Mills Rd. at Dobbin Rd.                           |                   | X                       |             |                |                              |                |               |                            |                        |                    |                                   |            |            |       |            |                |                                                     | NW and SW corners - loose bolts. SW corner - mast arm bolts should be checked. |                                         | 3/22/1985     |
| 13      | 51     | 4  | Broken Land Parkway at Snowden River Pkwy./Patuxent Woods |                   |                         |             |                |                              |                |               |                            |                        |                    |                                   |            |            |       |            |                |                                                     |                                                                                |                                         | 11/24/1987    |
| 14      | 51     | 33 | Little Patuxent Pkwy. at Vantage Pt./W. Running Brook     | X                 |                         |             |                |                              |                |               |                            |                        |                    |                                   | X          | X          |       |            |                |                                                     | SW corner - loose bolts. NW corner - trim over growth from around pole.        |                                         | 10/6/1987     |
| 15      | 51     | 53 | Frederick at Plum Tree                                    |                   |                         |             |                | X                            |                |               |                            |                        |                    |                                   |            |            |       |            |                | street name sign possibly rubbing against span wire | Rebuild 2018                                                                   |                                         | 12/14/1977    |

# 4. Recommendations

## Howard County Traffic Signal Inspection Summary Report:

Signal Number: 020  
Location: Oakland Mills Rd. at Home Spun Dr./Malindy Circle  
Inspection Date: Dec. 14, 2017

Inspection Overall Score: 84

### Significant Findings:

NE Corner signal structure failed on Dec. 13, 2017. NW Corner signal structure was inspected and found to have significant deterioration and cracking around the base plate weld area. Immediate removal of this pole was recommended.



### Maintenance Issues:

N/A

## Howard County Traffic Signal Inspection Summary Report:

Signal Number: 028  
Location: Snowden River Parkway at Oakland Mills Rd.  
Inspection Date: May 2, 2018

Inspection Overall Score: 64

### Significant Findings:

Combination of one mast-arm and three spans. Older span wire poles have cast iron base plates. Poles are in fair condition with some coating failure, and light rusting around the base plate and tightening nuts. Pole on NE corner has vehicle impact damage. Newer mast-arm pole has significant coating failure.



### Maintenance Issues:

NE and NW Corners – loose tightening nuts.

## 4. Recommendations

- All four agencies used the information gathered during the inspection and condition phase to justify additional funding to replace aged traffic signal infrastructure, and to justify additional funding.
- Repeat the cycle!

