

WIM System Field Calibration and Validation Summary Report

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1 Executive Summary

A WIM validation was performed on May 29 and 30, 2013 at the Louisiana SPS-1 site located on route US-171, milepost 8.4, 7.4 miles north of Interstate 10.

This site was installed on December 13, 2007. The in-road sensors are installed in the northbound, righthand driving lane. The site is equipped with quartz WIM sensors and an IRD iSINC WIM controller. The LTPP lane is identified as lane 1 in the WIM controller. From a comparison between the report of the most recent validation of this equipment on November 22, 2011 and this validation visit, it appears that the leading WIM sensors have been replaced and the system was calibrated. No other changes have occurred during this time to the basic operating condition of the equipment.

The equipment is in working order. Electronic and electrical checks of the WIM components determined that the the equipment is operating within the manufacturer's tolerances. None of the in-road sensors show signs of damage or excessive wear and appear to be fully secured in the pavement. There is a section of epoxy that has broken free from the conduit run adjacent to the trailing WIM sensor that has been temporarily repaired with asphalt patching material. Further equipment discussion is provided in Section 3.

During the on-site pavement evaluation, A visual observation of the trucks as they approach, traverse, and leave the sensor area did not indicate any adverse dynamics that would affect the accuracy of the WIM system. The trucks appear to track down the center of the lane. Further pavement condition discussion is provided in Section 4.

Based on the criteria contained in the LTPP Field Operations Guide for SPS WIM Sites, Version 1.0 (05/09), this site is providing research quality loading data. The summary results of the validation are provided in Table 1-1 below.

Table 1-1 – Validation Results – 29-May-13

Parameter	95% Confidence Limit of Error	Site Values	Pass/Fail
Steering Axles	± 20 percent	$2.0 \pm 4.9\%$	Pass
Tandem Axles	± 15 percent	$0.0 \pm 4.5\%$	Pass
GVW	± 10 percent	$0.7 \pm 2.6\%$	Pass
Vehicle Length	± 3.0 percent (1.8 ft)	0.0 ± 0.0 ft	Pass
Axle Length	± 0.5 ft [150mm]	0.4 ± 0.0 ft	Pass

Truck speeds were manually collected for each test run by a radar gun and compared with the speed reported by the WIM equipment. For this site, the error in speed measurement was 1.0 ± 1.7 mph, which is greater than the ± 1.0 mph tolerance established by the LTPP Field Operations Guide for SPS WIM Sites. However, since the site is measuring axle spacing length with a mean error of 0.4 feet, and the speed and axle spacing measurements are based on the distance between

the axle detector sensors, it can be concluded that the distance factor is set correctly and that the speeds being reported by the WIM equipment are within acceptable ranges.

This site is not providing research quality vehicle classification data for heavy trucks (Class 6 – 13). The heavy truck misclassification rate of 2.6% is greater than the 2.0% acceptability criterion for LTPP SPS WIM sites. The overall misclassification rate of 4.7% from the 64 vehicle sample (Class 4 – 13) was due to 2 misclassifications of Class 5 vehicles and 1 misclassification of a Class 9 vehicle.

There were two test trucks used for the validation. They were configured and loaded as follows:

- The Primary truck was a Class 9 vehicle with air suspension on the tractor and trailer tandems, and standard (4 feet) tandem spacings. It was loaded with gravel.
- The Secondary truck was a Class 9 vehicle with air suspension on the tractor tandem, air suspension on the trailer tandem, standard tandem spacing on the tractor and trailer. The Secondary truck was loaded with gravel.

Prior to the validation, the test trucks were weighed and measured, cold tire pressures were taken, and photographs of the trucks, loads and suspensions were obtained (see Section 7). Axle length (AL) was measured from the center hub of the first axle to the center hub of the last axle. Axle spacings were measured from the center hub of the each axle to the center hub of the subsequent axle. Overall length (OL) was measured from the edge of the front bumper to the edge of the rear bumper. The test trucks were re-weighed at the conclusion of the validation. The average validation test truck weights and measurements are provided in Table 1-2.

Table 1-2 – Validation Test Truck Measurements

Test Truck	Weights (kips)						Spacings (feet)					
	GVW	Ax1	Ax2	Ax3	Ax4	Ax5	1-2	2-3	3-4	4-5	AL	OL
1	75.8	11.5	16.0	16.0	16.2	16.2	19.9	4.3	29.0	4.3	57.5	62.0
2	65.5	10.2	13.1	13.1	14.5	14.5	18.8	4.3	29.3	4.3	56.7	61.0

The posted speed limit at the site is 65 mph. During the testing, the speed of the test trucks ranged from to 47 to 65 mph, a variance of 18 mph.

During test truck runs, pavement temperature was collected using a hand-held infrared temperature device. The validation pavement surface temperatures varied from 98.1 to 115.5 degrees Fahrenheit, a range of 17.4 degrees Fahrenheit. The overcast weather conditions prevented the desired 30 degree range in temperatures.

A review of the LTPP Standard Release Database 25 shows that there are 4 years of level “E” WIM data for this site. This site requires 1 additional year of data to meet the minimum of five years of research quality data.

2 WIM System Data Availability and Pre-Visit Data Analysis

To assess the quality of the current traffic data, a pre-visit analysis was conducted by comparing a two-week data sample from January 14, 2013 (Data) to the most recent Comparison Data Set (CDS) from November 23, 2011. The assessments performed prior to the site visits are used to develop expected traffic flow characteristics for the validation. The results of further investigations performed as a result of the analyses are provided in Section 5 of this report.

2.1 LTPP WIM Data Availability

A review of the LTPP Standard Release Database 25 shows that there are 4 years of level “E” WIM data for this site. Table 2-1 provides a breakdown of the available data for years 2008 to 2011.

Table 2-1 – LTPP Data Availability

Year	Total Number of Days in Year	Number of Months
2008	320	12
2009	365	12
2010	358	12
2011	258	9

As shown in the table, this site requires 1 additional year of data to meet the minimum of five years of research quality data.

Table 2-2 provides a monthly breakdown of the available data for years 2008 through 2011.

Table 2-2 – LTPP Data Availability by Month

Year	Month												No. of Months
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
2008	8	29	31	30	31	30	23	16	30	31	30	31	12
2009	31	28	31	30	31	30	31	31	30	31	30	31	12
2010	31	28	31	30	31	30	24	31	30	31	30	31	12
2011	31	28	31	30	31	30	31	28	18				9

2.2 Classification Data Analysis

The traffic data was analyzed to determine the expected truck distributions. This analysis provides a basis for the classification distribution study that is conducted on site. Figure 2-1 provides a comparison of the truck type distributions between the sample dataset from January 14, 2013 (Data) and the most recent comparison Data Set (CDS) from November 23, 2011.

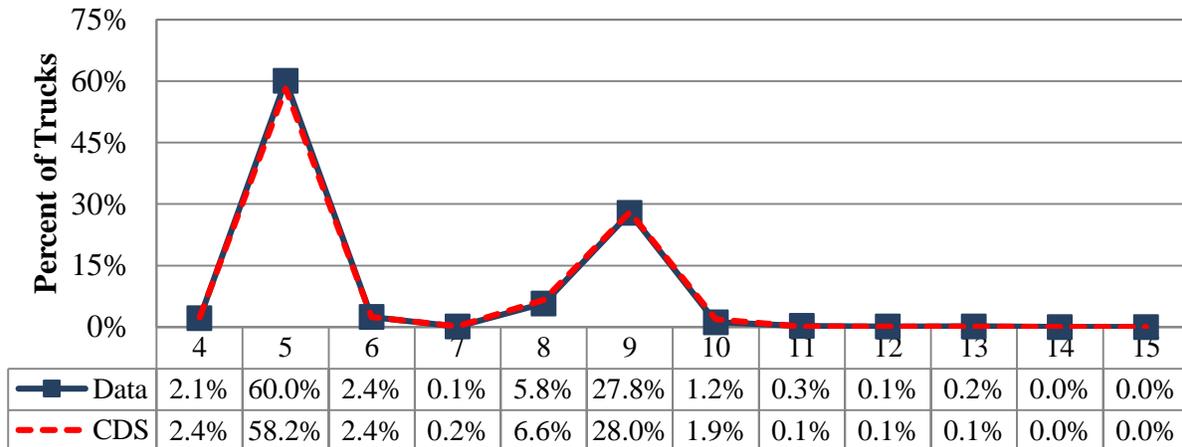


Figure 2-1 – Comparison of Truck Distribution

Table 2-3 provides statistics for the truck distributions at the site for the two periods represented by the two datasets. The table shows that according to the most recent data, the two most frequent truck types crossing the WIM scale are Class 5 (60.0%) and Class 9 (27.8%) vehicles.

Table 2-3 also provides data for vehicle Classes 14 and 15. Class 14 vehicles are vehicles that are reported by the WIM equipment as having irregular measurements and cannot be classified properly, such as negative speeds from vehicles passing in the opposite direction of a two-lane road. Class 15 vehicles are unclassified vehicles. The table indicates that 0.0 percent of the vehicles at this site are unclassified.

Table 2-3 – Truck Distribution from W-Card

Vehicle Classification	CDS		Data		Change
	Date				
	11/23/2011		1/14/2013		
4	191	2.4%	187	2.1%	-0.2%
5	4726	58.2%	5303	60.0%	1.8%
6	194	2.4%	214	2.4%	0.0%
7	13	0.2%	11	0.1%	0.0%
8	536	6.6%	508	5.8%	-0.9%
9	2277	28.0%	2458	27.8%	-0.2%
10	155	1.9%	104	1.2%	-0.7%
11	8	0.1%	23	0.3%	0.2%
12	8	0.1%	9	0.1%	0.0%
13	10	0.1%	14	0.2%	0.0%
14	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0.0%
15	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0.0%

From the table it can be seen that the percentage of Class 5 vehicles has increased by 1.8 percent from November 2011 and January 2013. These differences may be attributed to changes in the use of the roadway for local deliveries, cross-classifications of type 3 and 5 vehicles, as well as natural variations in truck volumes. During the same time period, the percentage of Class 9 trucks decreased by 0.2 percent. Changes in the percentage of heavier trucks may be attributed to natural and seasonal variations in truck distributions and an increase in goods movement during current economic cycle.

2.3 Speed Data Analysis

The traffic data received from the Phase II Contractor was analyzed to determine the expected truck speed distributions. This will provide a basis for determining the speed of the test trucks during validation testing. The CDS distribution of speeds is shown in Figure 2-2.

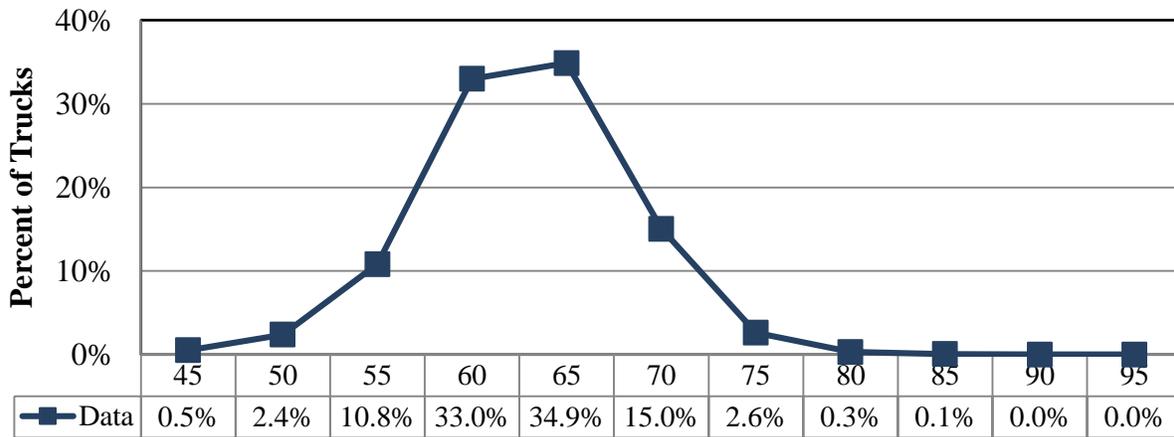


Figure 2-2 – Truck Speed Distribution – 14-Jan-13

As shown in Figure 2-2, the majority of the trucks at this site are traveling between 60 and 70 mph. The posted speed limit at this site is 65 and the 85th percentile speed for trucks at this site is 66 mph. The expected range of truck speeds for the validation is 55 to 65 mph.

2.4 GWW Data Analysis

The traffic CDS data received from the Regional Support Contractor was analyzed to determine the expected Class 9 GWW distributions. Figure 2-3 shows a comparison between GWW plots generated using a two-week W-card sample from January 2013 and the Comparison Data Set from November 2011.

As shown in Figure 2-3, there is a shift to the left for the unloaded and loaded peaks between the November 2011 Comparison Data Set (CDS) and the January 2013 two-week sample W-card dataset (Data). This indicates a possible negative bias (underestimation of weights) for this site.

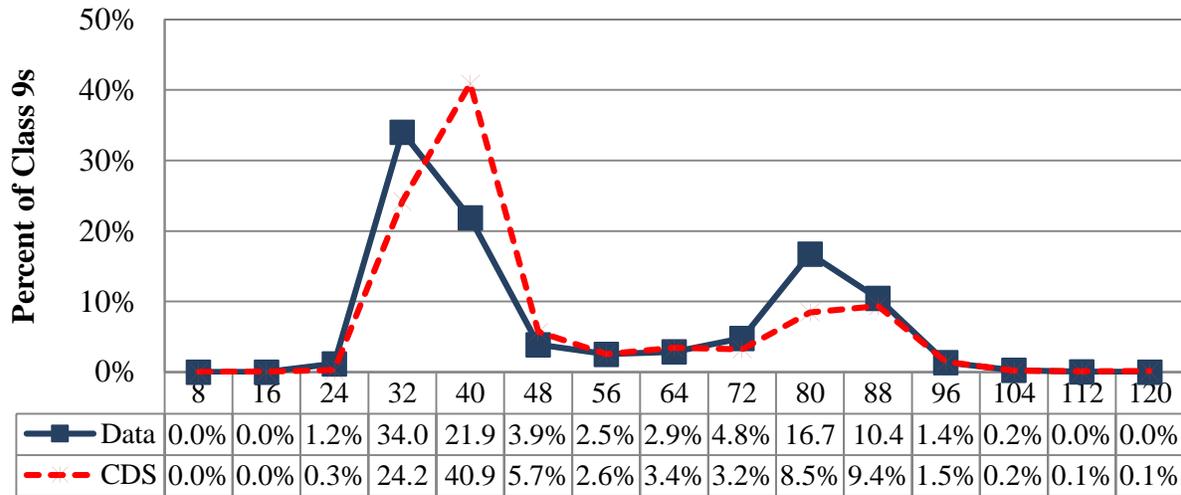


Figure 2-3 – Comparison of Class 9 GVW Distribution

Table 2-4 is provided to show the statistical comparison for Class 9 GVW between the Comparison Data Set and the current dataset.

Table 2-4 – Class 9 GVW Distribution from W-Card

GVW weight bins (kips)	CDS		Data		Change
	Date				
	11/23/2011		1/14/2013		
8	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0.0%
16	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	0.0%
24	6	0.3%	29	1.2%	0.9%
32	548	24.2%	831	34.0%	9.8%
40	927	40.9%	534	21.9%	-19.0%
48	129	5.7%	95	3.9%	-1.8%
56	58	2.6%	62	2.5%	0.0%
64	78	3.4%	70	2.9%	-0.6%
72	73	3.2%	117	4.8%	1.6%
80	192	8.5%	409	16.7%	8.3%
88	212	9.4%	255	10.4%	1.1%
96	33	1.5%	33	1.4%	-0.1%
104	4	0.2%	6	0.2%	0.1%
112	2	0.1%	1	0.0%	0.0%
120	3	0.1%	0	0.0%	-0.1%
Average =	45.8 kips		48.6 kips		2.8 kips

As shown in the table, the percentage of unloaded class 9 trucks in the 32 to 40 kips range decreased by 19.0 percent while the percentage of loaded class 9 trucks in the 72 to 80 kips range increased by 8.3 percent. During this time period the percentage of overweight trucks increased by 0.9 percent. Based on the average Class 9 GVW values from the per vehicle records, the GVW average for this site increased by 5.7 percent, from 45.8 to 48.6 kips.

2.5 Class 9 Front Axle Weight Data Analysis

The CDS data received from the Regional Support Contractor was analyzed to determine the expected average front axle weight. This will provide a basis for the evaluation of the quality of the data by comparing the average front axle weight from the current data sample set with the expected average front axle weight average from the Data Comparison Set.

Figure 2-4 shows a comparison between Class 9 front axle weight plots generated by using the two week W-card sample from January 2013 and the Comparison Data Set from November 2011. The percentage of light axles (9.5 to 10.5 kips) increased by approximately 8.3 percent and the percentage of heavy axles (11.5 to 12.5 kips) decreased by approximately 9.2%, indicating possible negative bias (underestimation of loads) in front axle measurement.

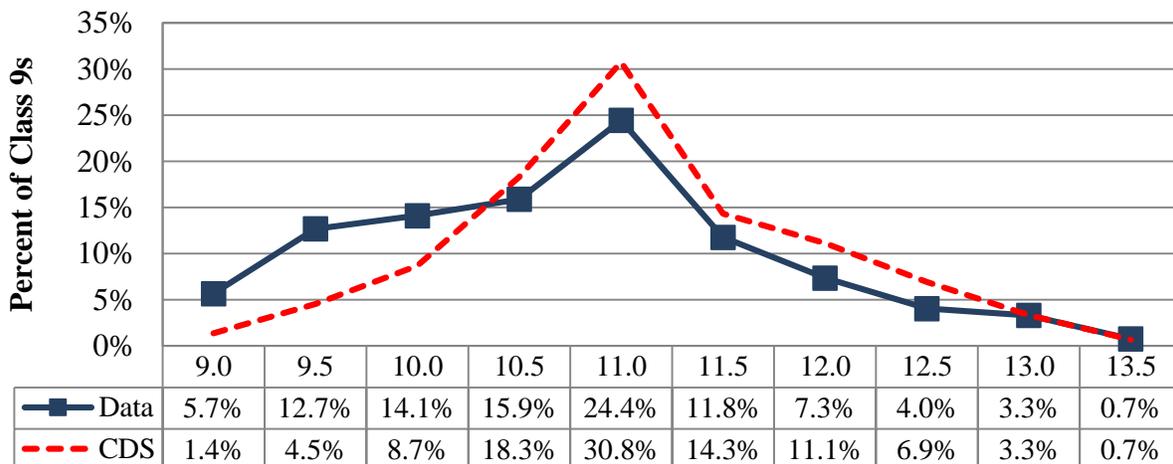


Figure 2-4 – Distribution of Class 9 Front Axle Weights

It can be seen in the figure that the greatest percentage of trucks have front axle weights measuring between 10.0 and 11.0 kips. The percentage of trucks in this range has decreased by 8.7 percent between the November 2011 Comparison Data Set (CDS) and the January 2013 dataset (Data).

Table 2-5 provides the Class 9 front axle weight distribution data for the November 2011 Comparison Data Set (CDS) and the January 2013 dataset (Data).

Table 2-5 – Class 9 Front Axle Weight Distribution from W-Card

F/A weight bins (kips)	CDS		Data		Change
	Date				
	11/23/2011		1/14/2013		
9.0	31	1.4%	137	5.7%	4.3%
9.5	102	4.5%	307	12.7%	8.2%
10.0	196	8.7%	342	14.1%	5.4%
10.5	413	18.3%	385	15.9%	-2.4%
11.0	694	30.8%	592	24.4%	-6.3%
11.5	323	14.3%	285	11.8%	-2.6%
12.0	251	11.1%	178	7.3%	-3.8%
12.5	156	6.9%	98	4.0%	-2.9%
13.0	75	3.3%	80	3.3%	0.0%
13.5	15	0.7%	18	0.7%	0.1%
Average =	10.9 kips		10.5 kips		-0.4 kips

The table shows that the average front axle weight for Class 9 trucks has decreased by 0.4 kips, or 3.7 percent. According to the values from the per vehicle records, the average front axle weight for Class 9 trucks is 10.5 kips. The results indicate that there may be a possible negative bias (underestimation of loads) or pavement condition or sensor deterioration.

2.6 Class 9 Tractor Tandem Spacing Data Analysis

The CDS data received from the Regional Support Contractor was analyzed to determine the expected average tractor tandem spacing. This will provide a basis for the evaluation of the accuracy of the equipment distance and speed measurements by comparing the observed average tractor tandem spacing from the sample data (Data) with the expected average tractor tandem spacing from the comparison data set (CDS).

The class 9 tractor tandem spacing plot in Figure 2-5 is provided to indicate possible shifts in WIM system distance and speed measurement accuracies.

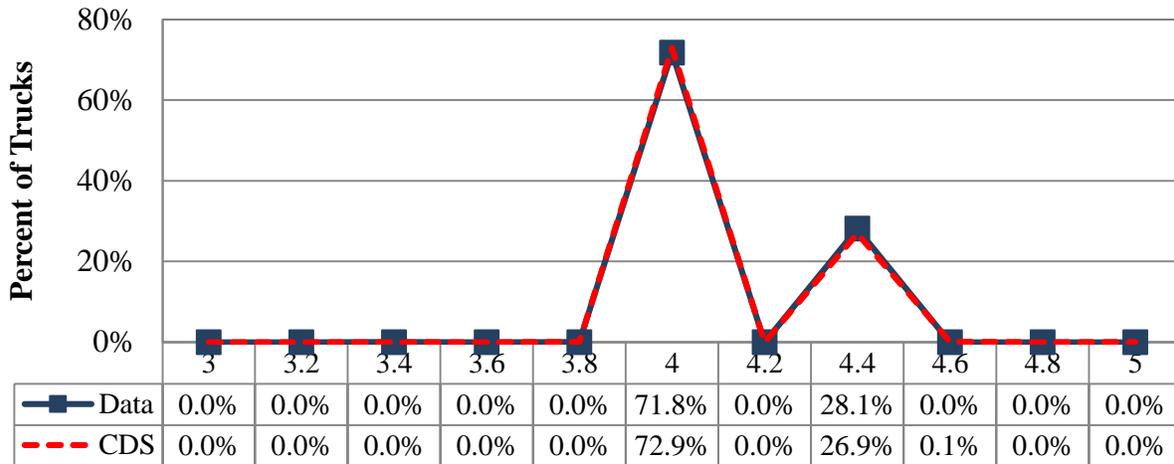


Figure 2-5 – Comparison of Class 9 Tractor Tandem Spacing

As seen in the figure, the Class 9 tractor tandem spacings for the November 2011 Comparison Data Set and the January 2013 Data are nearly identical.

Table 2-6 shows the Class 9 axle spacings between the second and third axles.

Table 2-6 – Class 9 Axle 2 to 3 Spacing from W-Card

Tandem 1 spacing bins (feet)	CDS		Data		Change
	Date				
	11/23/2011		1/14/2013		
3.0	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0.0%
3.2	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0.0%
3.4	0	0.0%	1	0.0%	0.0%
3.6	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0.0%
3.8	1	0.0%	1	0.0%	0.0%
4.0	1652	72.9%	1753	71.8%	-1.1%
4.2	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0.0%
4.4	610	26.9%	687	28.1%	1.2%
4.6	2	0.1%	0	0.0%	-0.1%
4.8	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0.0%
5.0	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	0.0%
Average =	4.0 feet		4.0 feet		0.0 feet

From the table it can be seen that the drive tandem spacing of Class 9 trucks at this site is between 4.0 and 7.2 feet. Based on the average Class 9 drive tandem spacing values from the per vehicle records, the average tractor tandem spacing is 4.0, which is identical to the expected

average of 4.0 from the CDS per vehicle records. Further axle spacing analyses are performed during the validation and validation analysis.

2.7 Data Analysis Summary

Historical data analysis involved the comparison of the most recent Comparison Data Set (November 2011) based on the last calibration with the most recent two-week WIM data sample from the site (January 2013). Comparison of vehicle class distribution data indicates a 1.8 percent increase in the percentage of Class 5 vehicles. Analysis of Class 9 weight data indicates that front axle weights have decreased by 3.7 percent and average Class 9 GVW has increased by 5.7 percent for the January 2013 data. The data indicates an average truck tandem spacing of 4.0 feet, which is identical to the expected average of 4.0 feet.

3 WIM Equipment Discussion

From a comparison between the report of the most recent validation of this equipment on November 22, 2011 and this validation visit, it appears that the leading WIM sensors have been replaced during this time. The sensors were replaced on February 7, 2013 and the system was calibrated on February 20, 2013 by the Phase II contractor. No other changes have occurred during this time to the basic operating condition of the equipment.

3.1 Description

This site was installed on December 13, 2007 by International Road Dynamics. It is instrumented with quartz weighing sensors and an IRD iSINC WIM Controller. As the installation contractor, IRD also performs routine equipment maintenance and data quality checks of the WIM data.

3.2 Physical Inspection

Prior to the pre-validation test truck runs, a physical inspection of all WIM equipment and support services equipment was conducted. No deficiencies were noted. Photographs of all system components were taken and are presented after Section 7.

3.3 Electronic and Electrical Testing

Electronic and electrical checks of all system components were conducted prior to the pre-validation test truck runs. Dynamic and static electronic checks of the in-road sensors were performed. All values for the WIM sensors and inductive loops were within tolerances. Electronic tests of the power and communication devices indicated that they were operating normally.

3.4 Equipment Troubleshooting and Diagnostics

The WIM system appeared to collect, analyze and report vehicle measurements normally. No troubleshooting actions were taken.

3.5 Recommended Equipment Maintenance

No unscheduled equipment maintenance actions are recommended.

4 Pavement Discussion

4.1 Pavement Condition Survey

During a visual distress survey of the pavement conducted from the shoulder, no areas of pavement distress that may affect the accuracy of the WIM sensors were noted.

4.2 LTPP Pavement Profile Data Analysis

The IRI data files are processed using the WIM Smoothness Index software. The indices produced by the software provide an indication of whether or not the pavement roughness may affect the operation of the WIM equipment. The recommended thresholds for WIM Site pavement smoothness are provided in Table 4-1.

Table 4-1 – Recommended WIM Smoothness Index Thresholds

Index	Lower Threshold (m/km)	Upper Threshold (m/km)
Long Range Index (LRI)	0.50	2.1
Short Range Index (SRI)	0.50	2.1
Peak LRI	0.50	2.1
Peak SRI	0.75	2.9

When all values are less than the lower threshold shown in Table 4-1, it is unlikely that pavement conditions will significantly influence sensor output. Values between the threshold values may or may not influence the accuracy of the sensor output and values above the upper threshold would lead to sensor output that would preclude achieving the research quality loading data.

The profile analysis was based on four different indices: Long Range Index (LRI), which represents the pavement roughness starting 25.8 m prior to the scale and ending 3.2 m after the scale in the direction of travel; Short Range Index (SRI), which represents the pavement roughness beginning 2.74 m prior to the WIM scale and ending 0.46 m after the scale; Peak LRI – the highest value of LRI within 30 m prior to the scale; and Peak SRI – the highest value of SRI between 2.45 m prior to the scale and 1.5 m after the scale. The results from the analysis for each of the indices for the right wheel path (RWP) and left wheel path (LWP) values for the 3 left, 3 right and 5 center profiler runs are presented in Table 4-2.

Table 4-2 – WIM Index Values

Profiler Passes		Pass 1	Pass 2	Pass 3	Pass 4	Pass 5	Avg	
Left	LWP	LRI (m/km)	<i>0.497</i>	0.549	0.532		0.526	
		SRI (m/km)	<i>0.366</i>	0.513	<i>0.298</i>		<i>0.392</i>	
		Peak LRI (m/km)	0.512	0.549	0.551		0.537	
		Peak SRI (m/km)	<i>0.429</i>	<i>0.558</i>	<i>0.449</i>		<i>0.479</i>	
	RWP	LRI (m/km)	0.575	0.567	0.590		0.577	
		SRI (m/km)	0.827	0.867	0.840		0.845	
		Peak LRI (m/km)	0.577	0.570	0.590		0.579	
		Peak SRI (m/km)	0.849	0.939	0.846		0.878	
Center	LWP	LRI (m/km)	0.658	0.550	0.545	0.554	0.614	0.584
		SRI (m/km)	0.571	<i>0.368</i>	<i>0.282</i>	<i>0.297</i>	<i>0.364</i>	<i>0.376</i>
		Peak LRI (m/km)	0.659	0.670	0.625	0.583	0.665	0.640
		Peak SRI (m/km)	<i>0.689</i>	<i>0.512</i>	<i>0.419</i>	<i>0.414</i>	<i>0.476</i>	<i>0.502</i>
	RWP	LRI (m/km)	<i>0.472</i>	0.514	0.506	0.550	0.514	0.511
		SRI (m/km)	0.841	0.636	0.796	0.976	0.743	0.798
		Peak LRI (m/km)	<i>0.487</i>	0.569	0.566	0.560	0.541	0.545
		Peak SRI (m/km)	0.846	<i>0.695</i>	0.815	1.015	0.788	0.832
Right	LWP	LRI (m/km)	0.571	0.685	0.667			0.641
		SRI (m/km)	0.688	0.715	0.812			0.738
		Peak LRI (m/km)	0.582	0.689	0.695			0.655
		Peak SRI (m/km)	0.860	0.768	1.130			0.919
	RWP	LRI (m/km)	0.516	<i>0.443</i>	<i>0.461</i>			<i>0.473</i>
		SRI (m/km)	0.510	0.693	0.529			0.577
		Peak LRI (m/km)	0.559	<i>0.469</i>	<i>0.461</i>			<i>0.496</i>
		Peak SRI (m/km)	<i>0.510</i>	<i>0.714</i>	<i>0.545</i>			<i>0.590</i>

From Table 4-2 it can be seen that most of the indices computed from the profiles are between the upper and lower threshold values, with the remaining values under the lower threshold. Indices that are below the lower thresholds are shown in italics. The highest values, on average, are the Peak SRI values in the left wheel path of the right shift passes (shown in bold).

4.3 Profile and Vehicle Interaction

Profile data was collected on January 16, 2012 by the Southern Regional Support Contractor using a high-speed profiler, where the operator measures the pavement profile over the entire one-thousand foot long WIM Section, beginning 900 feet prior to WIM scales and ending 100 feet after the WIM scales. Each pass collects International Roughness Index (IRI) values in both

the left and right wheel paths. For this site, 11 profile passes were made, 5 in the center of the travel lane and 6 that were shifted to the left and to the right of the center of the travel lane.

From a pre-visit review of the IRI values for the center, right, and left profile runs, the highest IRI value within the 1000 foot WIM section is 81 in/mi and is located approximately 792 feet prior to the WIM scale. The highest IRI value within the 400 foot approach section was 57 in/mi and is located approximately 310 feet prior to the WIM scale. These areas of the pavement were closely investigated during the validation visit, and truck dynamics in this area were closely observed. There were no distresses observed at these locations that would influence truck dynamics in the WIM scale area.

Additionally, a visual observation of the trucks as they approach, traverse and leave the sensor area did not indicate any visible motion of the trucks that would affect the performance of the WIM scales. Trucks appear to track down the center of the lane.

4.4 Recommended Pavement Remediation

No pavement remediation is recommended.

5 Statistical Reliability of the WIM Equipment

The following section provides summaries of data collected during the pre-validation, the calibration, and the validation test truck runs, as well as information resulting from the classification and speed studies. All analyses of test truck data and information on necessary equipment adjustments are provided.

5.3 Validation

The 40 validation test truck runs were conducted on May 29, 2013, beginning at approximately 9:51 AM and continuing until 2:57 PM.

The two test trucks consisted of:

- A Class 9 truck, loaded with gravel, and equipped with air suspension on truck and trailer tandems and with standard tandem spacings on both the tractor and trailer.
- A Class 9 truck, loaded with gravel, and equipped with air suspension on the tractor, air suspension on the trailer, with standard tandem spacing on the tractor and trailer.

The test trucks were weighed prior to the validation and re-weighed at the conclusion of the validation. The average test truck weights and measurements are provided in Table 5-1.

Table 5-1 - Validation Test Truck Measurements

Test Truck	Weights (kips)						Spacings (feet)					
	GVW	Ax1	Ax2	Ax3	Ax4	Ax5	1-2	2-3	3-4	4-5	AL	OL
1	75.8	11.5	16.0	16.0	16.2	16.2	19.9	4.3	29.0	4.3	57.5	62.0
2	65.5	10.2	13.1	13.1	14.5	14.5	18.8	4.3	29.3	4.3	56.7	61.0

Test truck speeds varied by 18 mph, from 47 to 65 mph. The measured validation pavement temperatures varied 17.4 degrees Fahrenheit, from 98.1 to 115.5. The overcast weather conditions prevented the desired minimum 30 degree temperature range. Table 5-2 is a summary of post validation results.

Table 5-2 – Validation Overall Results – 29-May-13

Parameter	95% Confidence Limit of Error	Site Values	Pass/Fail
Steering Axles	±20 percent	2.0 ± 4.9%	Pass
Tandem Axles	±15 percent	0.0 ± 4.5%	Pass
GVW	±10 percent	0.7 ± 2.6%	Pass
Vehicle Length	±3.0 percent (1.8 ft)	0.0 ± 0.0 ft	Pass
Axle Length	± 0.5 ft [150mm]	0.4 ± 0.0 ft	Pass

Truck speed was manually collected for each test run using a radar gun and compared with the speed reported by the WIM equipment. For this site, the average error in speed measurement for all speeds was 1.0 ± 1.7 mph, which is greater than the ± 1.0 mph tolerance established by the LTPP Field Guide. However, since the site is measuring axle spacing length with a mean error of 0.4 feet, and the speed and axle spacing length measurements are based on the distance between the axle detector sensors, it can be concluded that the distance factor is set correctly and that the speeds being reported by the WIM equipment are within similar acceptable ranges.

5.3.1 Statistical Speed Analysis

Statistical analysis was conducted on the test truck run data to investigate whether a relationship exists between speed and WIM equipment weight and distance measurement accuracy. The posted speed limit at this site is 65 mph. The test runs were divided into three speed groups - low, medium and high speeds, as shown in Table 5-3.

Table 5-3 – Validation Results by Speed – 29-May-13

Parameter	95% Confidence Limit of Error	Low	Medium	High
		47.0 to 55.0 mph	55.1 to 60.0 mph	60.1 to 65.0 mph
Steering Axles	±20 percent	2.8 ± 5.3%	2.1 ± 5.7%	0.9 ± 4.4%
Tandem Axles	±15 percent	0.0 ± 4.5%	0.9 ± 5.8%	0.4 ± 4.4%
GVW	±10 percent	0.5 ± 2.9%	1.1 ± 3.1%	0.6 ± 2.4%
Vehicle Length	±3.0 percent (1.8 ft)	0.0 ± 0.0 ft	0.0 ± 0.0 ft	0.0 ± 0.0 ft
Vehicle Speed	± 1.0 mph	0.4 ± 0.1 mph	0.4 ± 0.1 mph	0.4 ± 0.0 mph
Axle Length	± 0.5 ft [150mm]	1.2 ± 2.1 ft	0.4 ± 1.6 ft	1.2 ± 1.3 ft

From the table, it can be seen that the WIM equipment estimates steering axle weights with decreasing positive bias as speed increases. The system estimates all other weights with similar accuracy at all speeds. There appears to be a negative correlation between steering axle weight estimates and speed at this site.

To aid in the speed analysis, several graphs were developed to illustrate the possible effects of speed on GVW, single axle, and axle group weights, and axle and overall length distance measurements, as discussed in the following paragraphs.

5.3.1.1 GVW Errors by Speed

As shown in Figure 5-1, the equipment estimated GVW with similar accuracy at all speeds. The range in error and bias is similar throughout the entire speed range.

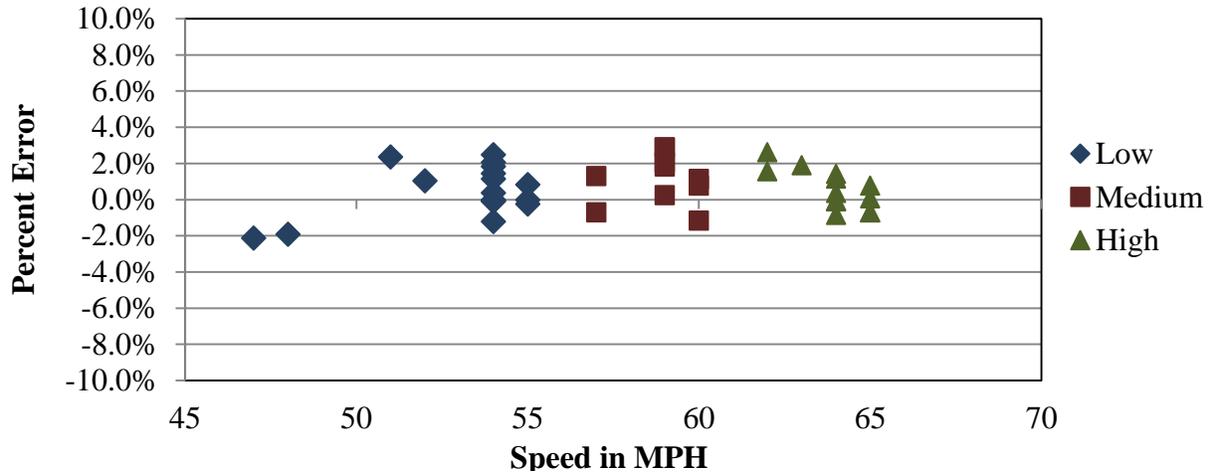


Figure 5-1 – Validation GVW Errors by Speed – 29-May-13

5.3.1.2 Steering Axle Weight Errors by Speed

As shown in Figure 5-2, it can be seen that the WIM equipment estimates steering axle weights with decreasing positive bias as speed increases. The range in error is similar throughout the entire speed range. There appears to be a negative correlation between speed and steering axle weight estimates at this site.

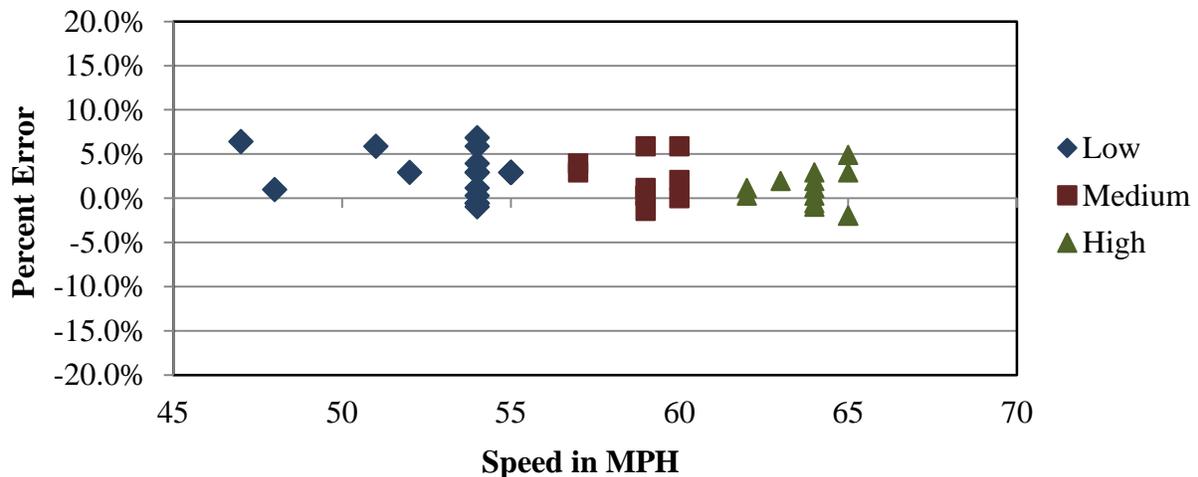


Figure 5-2 – Validation Steering Axle Weight Errors by Speed – 29-May-13

5.3.1.3 Tandem Axle Weight Errors by Speed

As shown in Figure 5-3, the equipment estimated tandem axle weights with similar accuracy at all speeds. The range in error and bias is similar throughout the entire speed range.

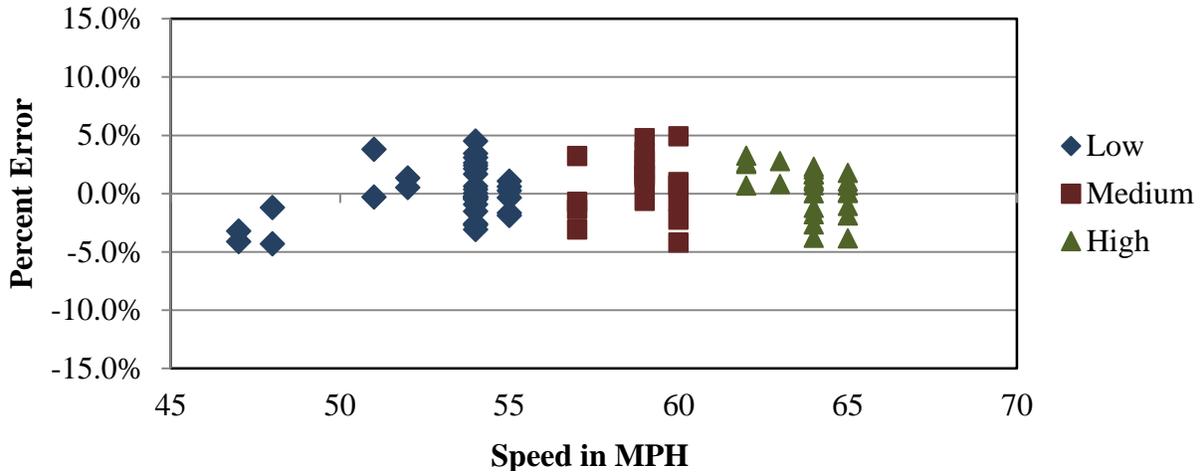


Figure 5-3 – Validation Tandem Axle Weight Errors by Speed – 29-May-13

5.3.1.4 GVW Errors by Speed and Truck Type

It can be seen in Figure 5-4 that when the GVW errors are analyzed by truck type, the WIM equipment precision and bias is similar for both the heavily loaded (Primary) truck and the partially loaded (Secondary) truck.

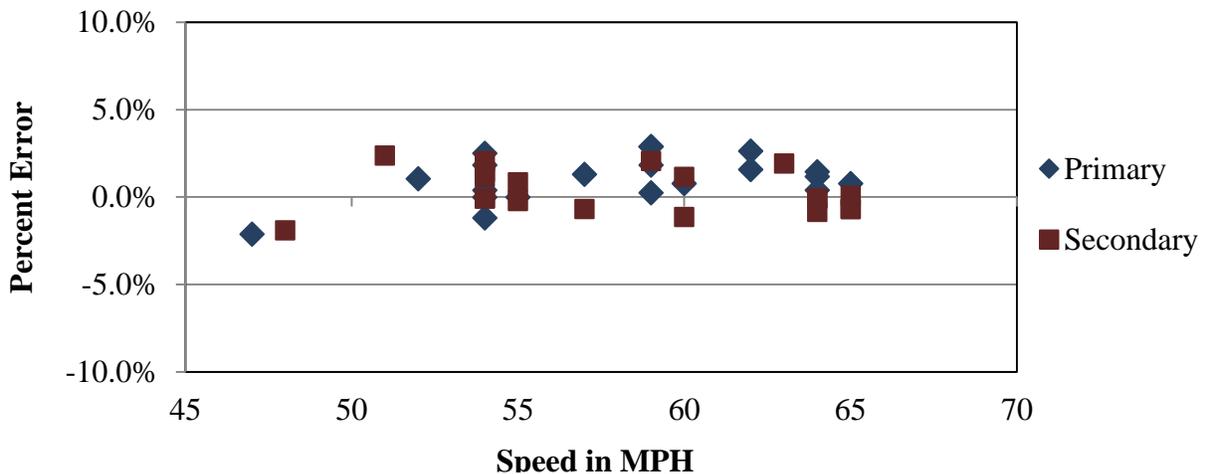


Figure 5-4 – Validation GVW Error by Truck and Speed – 29-May-13

5.3.1.5 Axle Length Errors by Speed

For this site, the error in axle length measurement was consistent at all speeds. The range in axle length measurement error was from 0.3 feet to 0.4 feet. Distribution of errors is shown graphically in Figure 5-5.

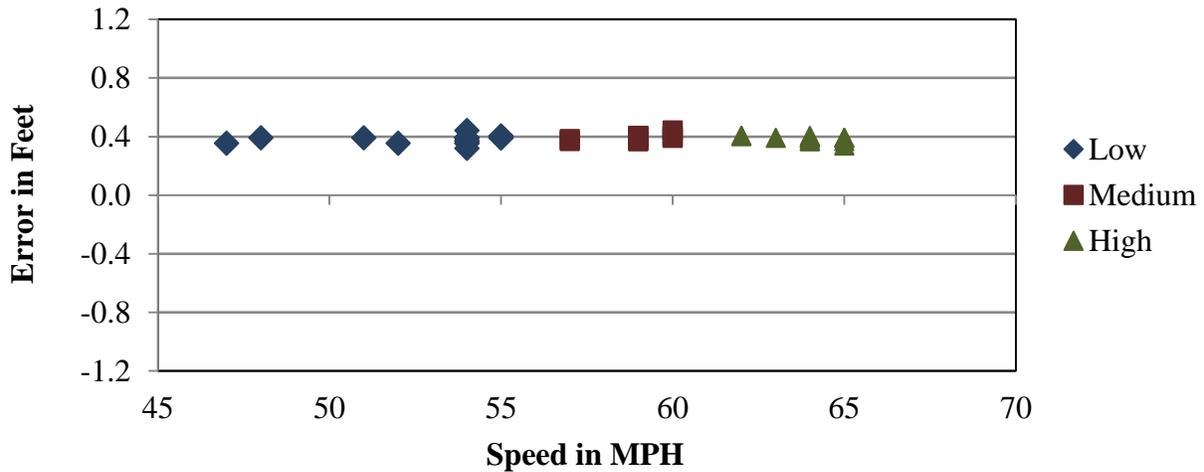


Figure 5-5 – Validation Axle Length Error by Speed – 29-May-13

5.3.1.6 Overall Length Errors by Speed

For this system, the WIM equipment measures overall length consistently over the entire range of speeds, with errors ranging from 0.0 to 0.0 feet. Distribution of errors is shown graphically in Figure 5-6.

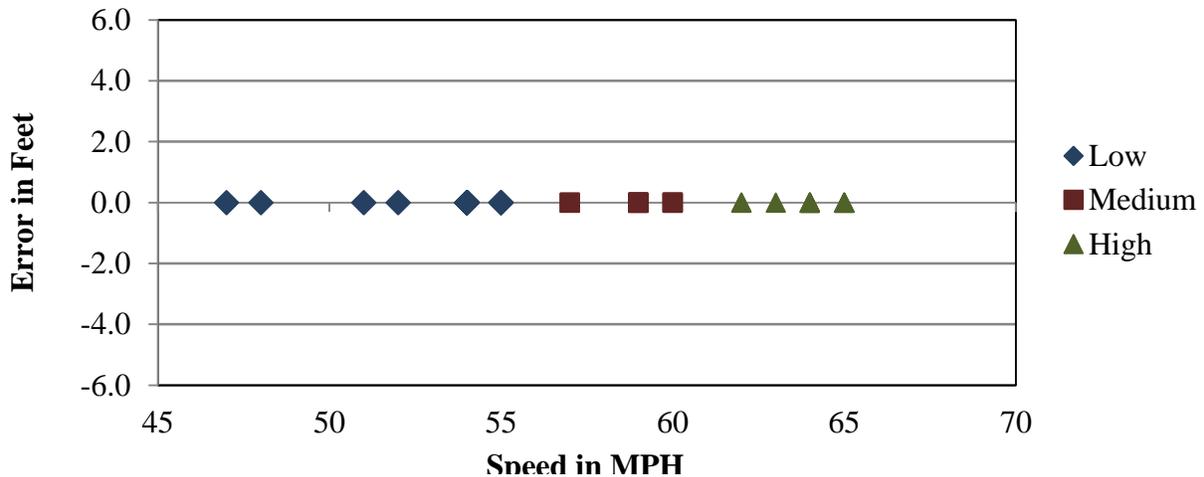


Figure 5-6 – Validation Overall Length Error by Speed – 29-May-13

5.3.2 Statistical Temperature Analysis

Statistical analysis was performed for the test truck run data to investigate whether a relationship exists between pavement temperature and WIM equipment weight and distance measurement accuracy. The range of pavement temperatures was 17.4 degrees, from 98.1 to 115.5 degrees Fahrenheit. The validation test runs are reported under two temperature groups – low and high, as shown in Table 5-4 below.

Table 5-4 – Validation Results by Temperature – 29-May-13

Parameter	95% Confidence Limit of Error	Low	High
		98.1 to 106.8 degF	106.9 to 115.5 degF
Steering Axles	±20 percent	2.3 ± 5.3%	1.8 ± 5.0%
Tandem Axles	±15 percent	0.5 ± 5.0%	0.3 ± 4.3%
GVW	±10 percent	0.8 ± 3.2%	0.5 ± 2.2%
Vehicle Length	±3.0 percent (1.8 ft)	0.0 ± 0.0 ft	0.0 ± 0.0 ft
Vehicle Speed	± 1.0 mph	0.4 ± 0.0 mph	0.4 ± 0.1 mph
Axle Length	± 0.5 ft [150mm]	0.9 ± 1.2 ft	1.1 ± 2.2 ft

To aid in the analysis, several graphs were developed to illustrate the possible effects of temperature on GVW, single axle weights, and axle group weights.

5.3.2.1 GVW Errors by Temperature

From Figure 5-7, it can be seen that the equipment appears to estimate GVW with similar accuracy across the range of temperatures observed in the field. There does not appear to be a correlation between temperature and weight estimates at this site.

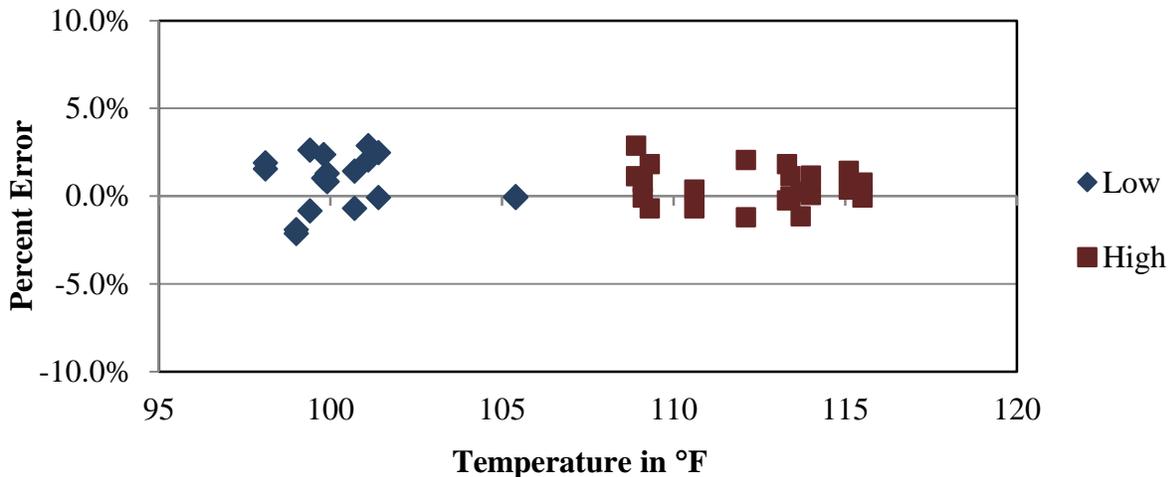


Figure 5-7 – Validation GVW Errors by Temperature – 29-May-13

5.3.2.2 Steering Axle Weight Errors by Temperature

Figure 5-8 demonstrates that for steering axles, the WIM equipment appears to estimate weights with similar accuracy across the range of temperatures observed in the field. There does not appear to be a correlation between temperature and steering axle weight estimates at this site. The range in error is similar for different temperature groups.

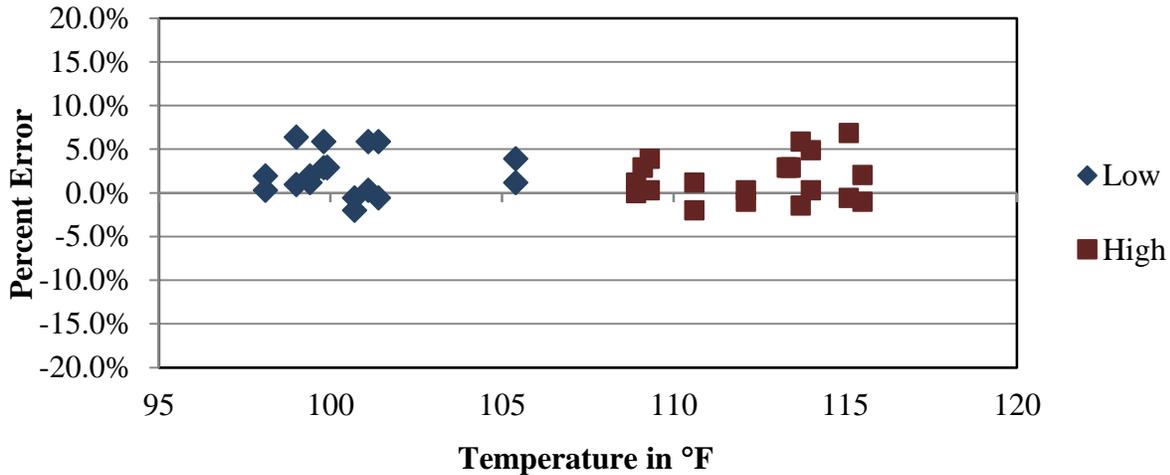


Figure 5-8 – Validation Steering Axle Weight Errors by Temperature – 29-May-13

5.3.2.3 Tandem Axle Weight Errors by Temperature

As shown in Figure 5-9, the WIM equipment appears to estimate tandem axle weights with similar accuracy across the range of temperatures observed in the field. There does not appear to be a correlation between temperature and tandem axle weight estimates at this site. The range in tandem axle errors is consistent for the two temperature groups.

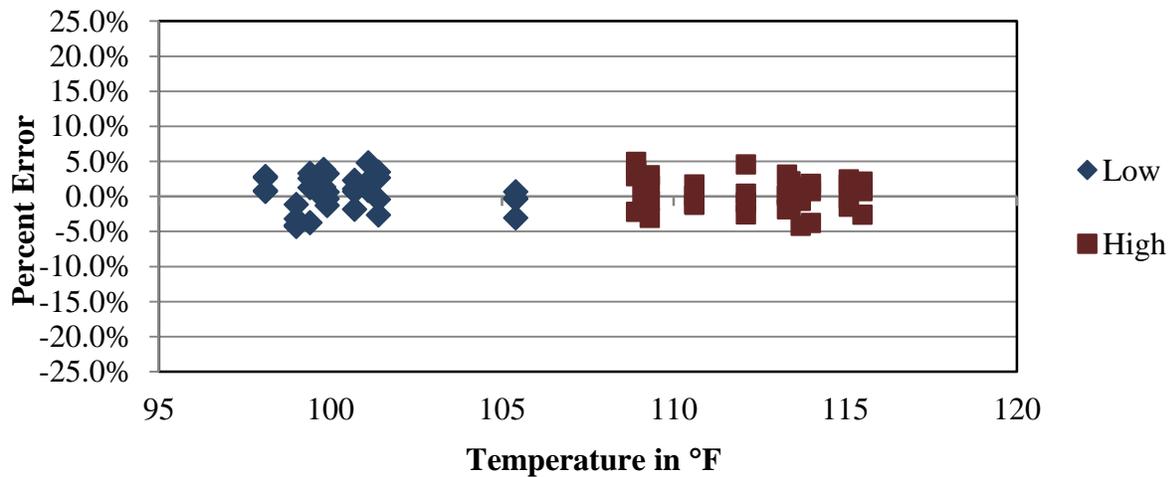


Figure 5-9 – Validation Tandem Axle Weight Errors by Temperature – 29-May-13

5.3.2.4 GVW Errors by Temperature and Truck Type

As shown in Figure 5-10, when analyzed by truck type, GVW measurement errors for both trucks are similar at all temperatures. For both trucks, the range of errors and bias are reasonably consistent over the range of temperatures.

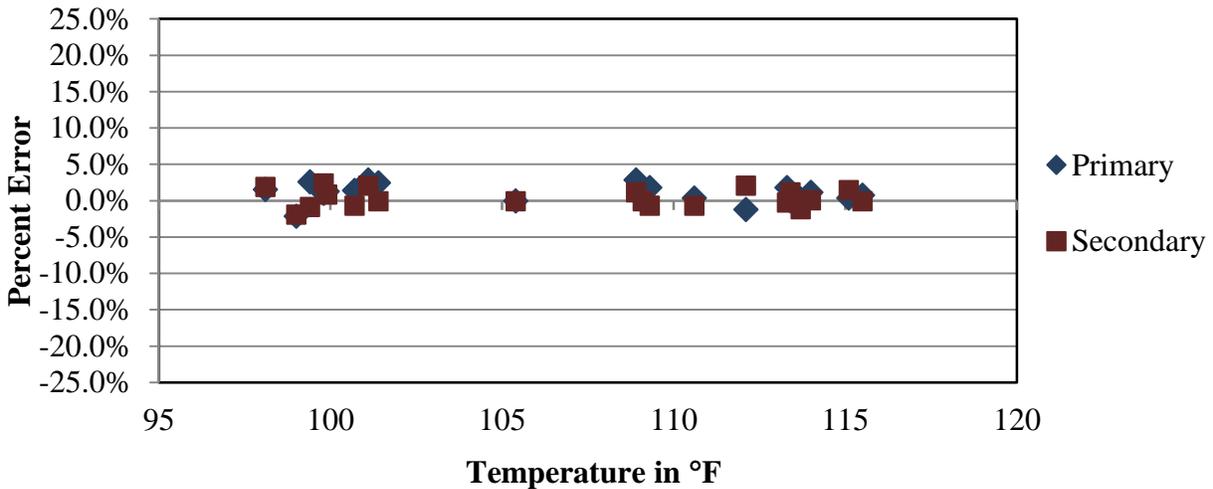


Figure 5-10 – Validation GVW Error by Truck and Temperature – 29-May-13

5.3.3 Classification and Speed Evaluation

The validation classification and speed study involved the comparison of vehicle classification and speed data collected manually with the information for the same vehicles reported by the WIM equipment.

For the validation classification study at this site, a manual sample of 64 vehicles including 64 trucks (Class 4 through 13) was collected. Video was collected during the study to provide a means for further analysis of misclassifications and vehicles whose classifications could not be determined with a high degree of certainty in the field.

Misclassified vehicles are defined as those vehicles that are manually classified by observation as one type of vehicle but identified by the WIM equipment as another type of vehicle. The misclassifications by pair are provided in Table 5-5. The table illustrates the breakdown of vehicles observed and identified by the equipment for the manual classification study. As shown in Table 5-5, one Class 5 vehicle was misclassified as a Class 8 vehicle, one Class 5 vehicle was misclassified as a Class 9 vehicle, and one Class 9 vehicle was misclassified as a Class 8 vehicle by the equipment.

Table 5-5 – Validation Misclassifications by Pair – 29-May-13

	WIM												
		3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Observed	3	-											
	4		-										
	5			-			1	1					
	6				-								
	7					-							
	8						-						
	9						1	-					
	10								-				
	11									-			
	12										-		
	13											-	-

As shown in the table, a total of 3 vehicles, including 1 heavy truck (6 – 13) were misclassified by the equipment. Based on the vehicles observed during the validation study, the misclassification percentage is 2.6% for heavy trucks (vehicle classes 6 – 13), which is greater than the 2.0% acceptability criteria for LTPP SPS WIM sites. The overall misclassification rate for all vehicles (3 – 15) is 4.7 percent, due to misclassification of lightweight vehicles in Class 5 as Class 8 and class 9, and the misclassification of a Class 9 vehicle as a Class 8 vehicle.

The causes for the misclassifications were not investigated in the field. A post-visit investigation of misclassified vehicles was performed using the collected video. The analysis determined that the Class 9 that was a tractor-trailer combination utilizing a two-beam trailer to haul large fiberglass tanks.

The combined results of the misclassifications resulted in an undercount of two Class 5, and an overcount of two Class 8 vehicles, as shown in Table 5-6. The misclassified percentage represents the percentage of the misclassified vehicles in the manual sample.

Table 5-6 – Validation Classification Study Results – 29-May-13

Class	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Observed Count	0	0	26	3	0	2	30	3	0	0	0
WIM Count	0	0	24	3	0	4	30	3	0	0	0
Observed Percent	0.0	0.0	40.6	4.7	0.0	3.1	46.9	4.7	0.0	0.0	0.0
WIM Percent	0.0	0.0	37.5	4.7	0.0	6.3	46.9	4.7	0.0	0.0	0.0
Misclassified Count	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Misclassified Percent	0.0	0.0	7.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Unclassified Count	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unclassified Percent	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Unclassified vehicles are defined as those vehicles that cannot be identified by the WIM equipment algorithm. These are typically trucks with unusual trailer tandem configurations and are identified as Class 15 by the WIM equipment. Based on the manually collected sample of the 64 trucks, 0.0 percent of the vehicles at this site were reported as unclassified during the study. This is within the established criteria of 2.0% for LTPP SPS WIM sites.

For speed, the mean error for WIM equipment speed measurement was 1.7 mph; the range of errors was 2.0 mph.

Since the equipment is measuring all weight and distance parameters within the LTPP requirements for SPS WIM sites and with a very low bias (the average measurement error for GVW is 0.7 percent), a calibration of the system was not required and therefore was not carried out.

5.3.4 Final WIM System Compensation Factors

The final factors left in place at the conclusion of the validation are provided in Table 5-7.

Table 5-7 – Final Factors

Speed Point	MPH	Left		Right	
		1	3	2	4
80	50	3296	3296	3743	3743
88	55	3340	3340	3790	3790
96	60	3322	3322	3772	3772
104	65	3323	3323	3773	3773
112	70	3366	3366	3822	3822
Axle Distance (cm)		307			
Dynamic Comp (%)		103			
Loop Width (cm)		362			

6 Post-Visit Data Analysis

A post-visit data analysis is conducted to further evaluate the validation truck data to determine if any relationships exist between WIM system weight and distance measurement error based on speed, temperature and/or truck type. Additionally, an analysis of the post-visit misclassifications noted during the validation classification and speed study is conducted to possibly determine the cause of each truck misclassification.

If necessary, a traffic data sample from the days immediately following the validation to the date of the report submission may be conducted to further investigate anomalies in the traffic data that may have resulted from the calibration of the system or any other changes to the WIM system.

6.1 Regression Analysis

This section provides additional results for the analysis carried out to determine the influence of truck type, speed and pavement temperature on WIM measurement errors. Multivariable linear regression analysis was applied to WIM data collected during calibration procedures. The same calibration data analyzed and discussed previously was used for this analysis; however a more comprehensive statistical methodology was applied. The objective of the additional analysis is to investigate if the trends identified using previous analyses are statistically significant, and to quantify these trends.

Multivariable analysis provides additional insight on how factors like speed, temperature, and truck type may affect weight measurement errors for a specific WIM site. It is expected that multivariable analysis done systematically for many sites may reveal overall trends.

6.1.1 Data

All errors from the weight measurement data collected by the equipment during the validation were analyzed. The percent error is defined as percentage difference between the weight measured by the WIM system and the static weight. The weight of “axle group” was evaluated separately for tandem axles on tractors and on trailers. The separate evaluation was carried out because the tandem axles on trailers may have different dynamic response to loads than tandem axles on tractors.

The measurement errors were statistically attributed to the following variables or factors:

- Truck type. Primary truck and Secondary truck.
- Truck test speed. Truck test speed ranged from 47 to 65 mph.
- Pavement temperature. Pavement temperature ranged from 98.1 to 115.5 degrees Fahrenheit.

6.1.2 Results

For analysis of GVW weights, the value of regression coefficients and their statistical properties are summarized in Table 6-1. The value of regression coefficients defines the slope of the relationship between the % error in GVW and the predictor variables (speed, temperature, and truck type). The values of the t-distribution (for the regression coefficients) given in Table 6-1 are for the null hypothesis that assumes that the regression coefficients are equal to zero. The p-value reported in Table 6-1 is for the probability that the regression coefficient, given in Table 5-5, occur by chance alone.

Table 6-1 – Table of Regression Coefficients for Measurement Error of GVW

Parameter	Regression coefficients	Standard error	Value of t-distribution	Probability value (p-value)
Intercept	2.2257	3.9429	0.5645	0.5759
Speed	0.0377	0.0408	0.9230	0.3621
Temp	-0.0317	0.0324	-0.9777	0.3348
Truck	-0.7004	0.4008	-1.7475	0.0891

The lowest probability value given in Table 6-1 was 0.0891 for truck type. This means that there is about a 9 percent chance that the value of regression coefficient for truck (-0.7004) can occur by chance alone. This relationship is further investigated in Section 6.1.5. Changes in speed or temperature did not showed statistically significant effect on changes in GVW measurement error.

6.1.3 Summary Results

Table 6-2 lists regression coefficients and their probability values for all combinations of factors and % errors evaluated. Entries in the table are provided only if the probability value was smaller than 0.20. The dash in Table 6-2 indicates that the relationship was not statistically significant (the probability that the relationship can occur by chance alone was greater than 20 percent).

Table 6-2 – Summary of Regression Analysis

Parameter	Factor					
	Speed		Temperature		Truck type	
	Regression coefficient	Probability value (p-value)	Regression coefficient	Probability value (p-value)	Regression coefficient	Probability value (p-value)
GVW	-	-	-	-	-0.7004	0.0891
Steering axle	-0.1783	0.0178	-	-	1.4502	0.0469
Tandem axle tractor	0.1374	0.0114	-0.0587	0.1601	-2.5916	0.0000
Tandem axle trailer	-	-	-	-	-	-

6.1.4 Conclusions

1. According to Table 6-2, speed had a statistically significant effect on the measurement errors of steering axles and tandem axles on the tractor. This assumes that p-value must be smaller than 0.05 for the effect to be statistically significant.

2. Temperature had a statistically significant effect on tandem axles on the tractor. However, it is noted that the range of pavement temperature during the validation was only 17.4° F.
3. Truck type had statistically significant effect on steering axle and tractor tandem axle measurement errors at 0.0469 probability value for steering axles, and 0.000 for tandem axles on tractors. The regression coefficients for truck type in Table 6-1 and Table 6-2 represent the difference between the mean errors for the Primary and Secondary trucks. (Truck type is an indicator variable with values of 0 or 1). Thus, for example, the difference in the average measurement error for GVW between the Primary and Secondary trucks was about 0.7% (-.7004 in Table 6-1). The difference between mean measurement error for tandem axles on tractors was positive (0.0254%) whereas the corresponding difference for tandem axles on trailers was negative (-0.013%). The effect of truck type is further analyzed in 6.1.5.
4. Even though speed, temperature and truck type had statistically significant effect on measurement errors of some of the parameters, the practical significance of these effects on WIM system calibration tolerances was small and does not affect the validity of the validation.

6.1.5 Contribution of Two Trucks to Calibration

Calibration of WIM systems installed in LTPP lanes is carried out by adjusting calibration factors based on measurement errors of GVW obtained for calibration trucks. During the calibration process, the GVW measurement errors obtained for two calibration trucks are combined when calculating and setting calibration factors. Different calibration factors are used for different speed points (truck speeds). The question addressed in this section is: What would be the calibration factors (calibration results) if only one truck (either Primary or Secondary) was used?

The contribution of using Primary and Secondary trucks for the calibration of the WIM system is illustrated using Figure 6-1 and supported by the associated statistical analysis. It is noted that the influence of pavement temperature is not directly used in the calibration process and thus is not considered in this analysis.

Figure 6-1 and associated statistical analysis show that speed had opposing influences on the GVW measurement for each truck and that trends in GVW errors are opposite for both trucks with primary truck showing a slightly positive correlation with speed and the Secondary showing a slightly negative correlation with speed. The effects of these trends appear to cancel one another out. Overall GVW error dependency on speed was very low for both trucks.

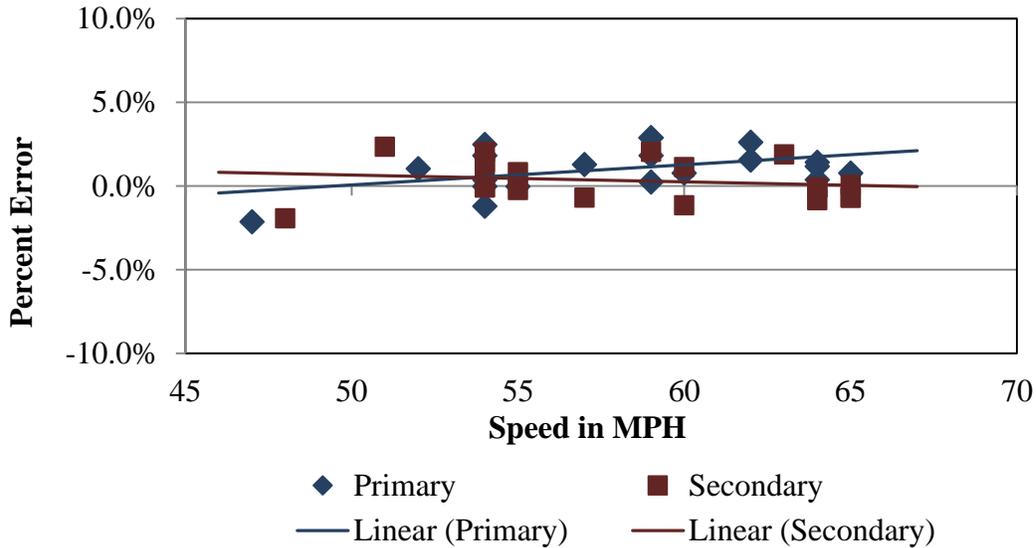


Figure 6-1– Influence of Speed on the GVW Measurement Error of Primary and Secondary Trucks

The use of two calibration trucks provided verification of the trends and speeded up the time required to obtain 40 pre-validation runs. However for this site, the use of only one of the trucks (Primary or Secondary) with 20 calibration runs would have resulted in similar verification results based on similarities in observed errors for both trucks.

More detailed analysis of the influence of calibration trucks on the verification/calibration results would be beneficial. In this case, the Primary and the Secondary trucks had similar dimensions and suspension systems.

6.2 Misclassification Analysis

A post-visit analysis was conducted on the truck misclassifications identified during the validation conducted in the field. For this site, a total of 3 vehicles, including 1 heavy truck (6 – 13) were misclassified by the equipment. The single truck misclassification was a Class 9 which was identified by the WIM system as a Class 8 vehicle. According to the Sheet 20, this vehicle was vehicle number 18623. The capture of the real-time record for vehicle 18623 is provided in Figure 6-2.

(18623) LANE #1 CLASS 8 GVW 30.4 kips LENGTH 72 ft					
SPEED 62 mph MAX GVW 79.5 kips Wed May 29 2013 12:19:15 (1559)					
AXLE	SEPARATION	LEFT WT	RIGHT WT	TOTAL WT	ALLOWABLE
	(ft)	(kips)	(kips)	(kips)	(kips)
1 S		6.0	6.3	12.3	20.0
2 T	17.3	2.6	2.5	5.1	17.0
3 T	4.3	2.2	2.5	4.6	17.0
4 S	34.5	4.0	4.4	8.4	20.0

Figure 6-2 – Vehicle Record 18623

The video capture of vehicle 18623 is provided in Photo 6-1. As the photo illustrates, the misclassification involved a tractor-trailer combination that is utilizing a two-beam trailer loaded with large fiberglass tanks. The fifth axle was not detected by the WIM system. This is most likely caused by the trailing inductive loop timing out due to the lack of metal mass for the trailer.



Photo 6-1 – Video Capture of Vehicle 46286

6.3 Traffic Data Analysis

Since there was no calibration of the WIM system operating parameters performed during this validation, the post-visit data analysis was not performed.

7 Previous WIM Site Validation Information

The information reported in this section provides a summary of the performance of the WIM equipment since it was installed or since the first validation was performed on the equipment. The information includes historical data on weight and classification accuracies as well as a comparison of validation results.

7.1 Classification

The information in Table 7-1 data was extracted from the most recent previous validation and was updated to include the results of this validation.

Table 7-1 – Classification Validation History

Date	Misclassification Percentage by Class											Pct Unclass
	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	
4-Mar-08	-	100	29	0	-	40	0	-	-	-	-	0
5-Mar-08	-	100	12	0	-	0	0	-	-	-	0	0
27-Jul-10	-	-	37	0	-	0	3	50	-	-	100	0
28-Jul-10	-	-	33	0	0	0	1	50	-	-	-	0
21-Nov-11	-	0	56	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
22-Nov-11	-	0	26	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
29-May-13	0	0	8	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0

7.2 Weight

Table 7-2 data was extracted from the previous validation and was updated to include the results of this validation. The table provides the mean error and standard deviation for GVW, steering and single axles and tandems for prior pre- and validations.

Table 7-2 – Weight Validation History

Date	Mean Error and 2SD		
	GVW	Single Axles	Tandem
4-Mar-08	0.4 ± 2.4	0.9 ± 4.1	0.2 ± 5.5
5-Mar-08	0.6 ± 4.0	-0.2 ± 4.2	-0.8 ± 7.4
27-Jul-10	-5.7 ± 2.6	-5.5 ± 4.7	-6.1 ± 4.0
28-Jul-10	0.0 ± 3.6	0.4 ± 5.6	-0.4 ± 4.4
21-Nov-11	-6.5 ± 2.3	-5.4 ± 4.6	-6.9 ± 4.1
22-Nov-11	-0.9 ± 2.9	-0.3 ± 7.2	-1.1 ± 4.8
29-May-13	0.7 ± 2.6	2.0 ± 4.9	0.0 ± 4.5

The variability of the weight errors appears to have remained reasonably consistent since the site was first validated. From this information, it appears that the system demonstrates a tendency for the equipment to move toward an underestimation of all weights over time. The table also demonstrates the effectiveness of the validations in bringing the weight estimations within LTPP SPS WIM equipment tolerances.

8 Additional Information

The following information is provided in the attached appendix:

- Site Photographs
 - Equipment
 - Test Trucks
 - Pavement Condition
- Pre-validation Sheet 16 – Site Calibration Summary
- Pre-validation Sheet 20 – Classification and Speed Study

Additional information is available upon request through LTPP INFO at ltppinfo@dot.gov, or telephone (202) 493-3035. This information includes:

- Sheet 17 – WIM Site Inventory
- Sheet 18 – WIM Site Coordination
- Sheet 19 – Validation Test Truck Data
- Sheet 21 – WIM System Truck Records
- Sheet 22 – Site Equipment Assessment plus Addendum
- Sheet 24A/B – Site Photograph Logs
- Updated Handout Guide

WIM System Field Calibration and Validation - Photos

Louisiana, SPS-1
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Photo 1 – Cabinet Exterior



Photo 2 – Cabinet Interior (Front)



Photo 3 – Cabinet Interior (Back)



Photo 4 – Leading Loop



Photo 5 – Leading WIM Sensor



Photo 6 – Trailing WIM Sensor



Photo 7 – Trailing Loop Sensor



Photo 8 – Power Service Box



Photo 9 – Telephone Service Box



Photo 13 – Truck 1 Tractor



Photo 10 – Downstream



Photo 14 – Truck 1 Trailer and Load



Photo 11 – Upstream



Photo 15 – Truck 1 Suspension 1



Photo 12 – Truck 1



Photo 16 – Truck 1 Suspension 2



Photo 17 – Truck 1 Suspension 3



Photo 21 – Truck 2 Tractor



Photo 18 – Truck 1 Suspension 4



Photo 22 – Truck 2 Trailer and Load



Photo 19 – Truck 1 Suspension 5



Photo 23 – Truck 2 Suspension 1



Photo 20 – Truck 2



Photo 24 – Truck 2 Suspension 2



Photo 25 – Truck 2 Suspension 3



Photo 26 – Truck 2 Suspension 5



Photo 27 – Truck 2 Suspension 4

Traffic Sheet 16 LTPP MONITORED TRAFFIC DATA SITE CALIBRATION SUMMARY	STATE CODE: 22 SPS WIM ID: 220100 DATE (mm/dd/yyyy) 5/29/2013
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SITE CALIBRATION INFORMATION

1. DATE OF CALIBRATION {mm/dd/yy} 5/29/13
2. TYPE OF EQUIPMENT CALIBRATED: Both
3. REASON FOR CALIBRATION: LTPP Validation
4. SENSORS INSTALLED IN LTPP LANE AT THIS SITE (Select all that apply):
- a. Inductance Loops c. _____
- b. Quartz Piezo d. _____
5. EQUIPMENT MANUFACTURER: IRD iSINC

WIM SYSTEM CALIBRATION SPECIFICS

6. CALIBRATION TECHNIQUE USED: Test Trucks
- Number of Trucks Compared: _____
- Number of Test Trucks Used: 2
- Passes Per Truck: 20

	Type	Drive Suspension	Trailer Suspension
Truck 1:	<u>9</u>	<u>air</u>	<u>air</u>
Truck 2:	<u>9</u>	<u>air</u>	<u>air</u>
Truck 3:	_____	_____	_____

7. SUMMARY CALIBRATION RESULTS (expressed as a %):

Mean Difference Between -

Dynamic and Static GVW:	<u>0.7%</u>	Standard Deviation:	<u>1.3%</u>
Dynamic and Static Single Axle:	<u>2.0%</u>	Standard Deviation:	<u>2.4%</u>
Dynamic and Static Double Axles:	<u>0.0%</u>	Standard Deviation:	<u>2.2%</u>

8. NUMBER OF SPEEDS AT WHICH CALIBRATION WAS PERFORMED: 3

9. DEFINE SPEED RANGES IN MPH:

		Low		High	Runs	
a.	<u>Low</u>	-	_____	to	_____	<u>17</u>
b.	<u>Medium</u>	-	_____	to	_____	<u>10</u>
c.	<u>High</u>	-	_____	to	_____	<u>13</u>
d.	_____	-	_____	to	_____	_____
e.	_____	-	_____	to	_____	_____

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10. CALIBRATION FACTOR (AT EXPECTED FREE FLOW SPEED) | 3323 | 3773

11. IS AUTO- CALIBRATION USED AT THIS SITE? No
If yes , define auto-calibration value(s):

CLASSIFIER TEST SPECIFICS

12. METHOD FOR COLLECTING INDEPENDENT VOLUME MEASUREMENT BY VEHICLE CLASS:

Manual

13. METHOD TO DETERMINE LENGTH OF COUNT: Time

14. MEAN DIFFERENCE IN VOLUMES BY VEHICLES CLASSIFICATION:

FHWA Class 9:	<u>0.0</u>	FHWA Class <u>5</u>	-	<u>-8.0</u>
FHWA Class 8:	<u>100.0</u>	FHWA Class _____	-	_____
		FHWA Class _____	-	_____
		FHWA Class _____	-	_____

Percent of "Unclassified" Vehicles: 0.0%

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Person Leading Calibration Effort: Dean Wolf
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Traffic Sheet 20 LTPP MONITORED TRAFFIC DATA SPEED AND CLASSIFICATION STUDIES	STATE CODE: 22 SPS WIM ID: 220100 DATE (mm/dd/yyyy) 5/29/2013
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Count - 64 Time = 7:54:25 Trucks (4-15) - 64 Class 3s - 0

WIM speed	WIM class	WIM Record	Obs. Speed	Obs. Class	WIM speed	WIM class	WIM Record	Obs. Speed	Obs. Class
57	9	18230	55	9	62	10	18452	61	10
65	9	18234	60	9	60	5	18455	59	5
57	9	18249	53	9	59	9	18458	58	9
57	9	18257	54	5	66	9	18473	63	9
60	10	18269	57	10	57	9	18481	54	9
59	9	18286	58	9	57	5	18489	55	5
55	5	18295	55	5	62	5	18502	60	5
58	5	18328	57	5	62	5	18502	63	5
59	9	18336	57	9	71	5	18528	70	5
57	8	18346	54	8	67	9	18529	65	9
63	9	18352	62	9	61	9	18530	60	9
64	9	18365	64	9	64	5	18551	63	5
67	6	18372	65	6	62	10	18566	62	10
61	9	18385	60	9	59	6	18589	58	6
55	5	18391	49	5	61	5	18603	59	5
54	5	18392	54	5	66	5	18614	65	5
55	5	18393	55	5	58	9	18617	53	9
62	9	18398	60	9	62	8	18623	56	9
65	9	18409	65	9	65	6	18624	61	6
67	9	18416	67	9					
61	5	18421	57	5					
58	5	18422	55	5					
64	9	18426	63	9					
56	9	18436	57	9					
47	9	18444	45	9					

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Start: 10:50:35

Stop: 13:23:00

Recorded By: G. Helman

Verified By: djw

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Traffic Sheet 20 LTPP MONITORED TRAFFIC DATA SPEED AND CLASSIFICATION STUDIES	STATE CODE: 22 SPS WIM ID: 220100 DATE (mm/dd/yyyy) 5/29/2013
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WIM speed	WIM class	WIM Record	Obs. Speed	Obs. Class	WIM speed	WIM class	WIM Record	Obs. Speed	Obs. Class
63	5	20337	63	5					
55	9	20396	54	9					
66	5	20410	65	5					
69	5	20458	66	5					
62	9	20501	54	9					
65	5	20512	63	5					
57	5	20530	57	5					
60	9	20531	60	9					
55	8	20538	54	5					
63	5	20547	61	5					
54	5	20756	60	5					
65	5	20797	64	5					
71	5	20858	70	5					
55	9	20862	54	9					
54	9	20886	52	9					
62	9	20895	61	9					
66	9	20901	64	9					
55	9	20902	54	9					
70	9	20916	67	9					
67	8	20937	64	8					

Sheet 2 - 51 to 100

Start: 17:14:00

Stop: 18:45:00

Recorded By: G. Helman

Verified By: djw

Validation Test Truck Run Set - Pre