

Maintenance Decision Support System (Pooled Fund Study)

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Overview

- Who is Iteris
- What is MDSS
- What is a Pooled Fund Study
- How does MDSS Work
- MDSS Pavement model
- Impacts of telematics information (AVL/MDC)
- MDSS at Michigan DOT
- Research Topics within MDSS



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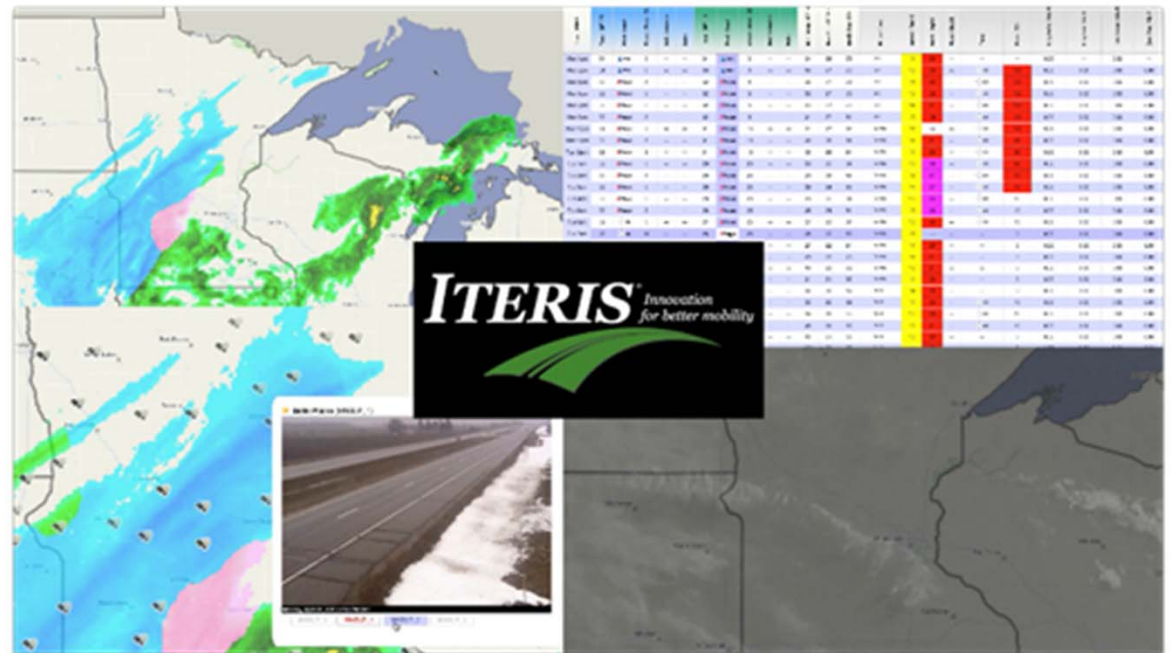
- Roadway Sensors
- Transportation Systems
- Ag and Weather Analytics
 - **ClearAg**: Agronomic Content & Software Analytics
 - **ClearPath Weather** Road-Weather Prescriptive Software

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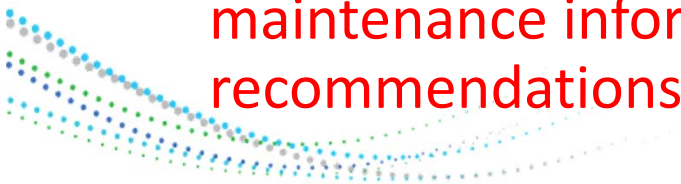
Grand Forks, ND – Office

- Over 19 years of experience of providing weather and pavement forecasting support to state agencies (DOT's)
- Iteris (formerly Meridian), was selected in 2002 as the prime contractor to the Pooled Fund Study Maintenance Decision Support System (PFS – MDSS)
- 24/7 Operational Support for both weather forecasting and 511 services



What is MDSS?

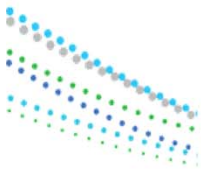
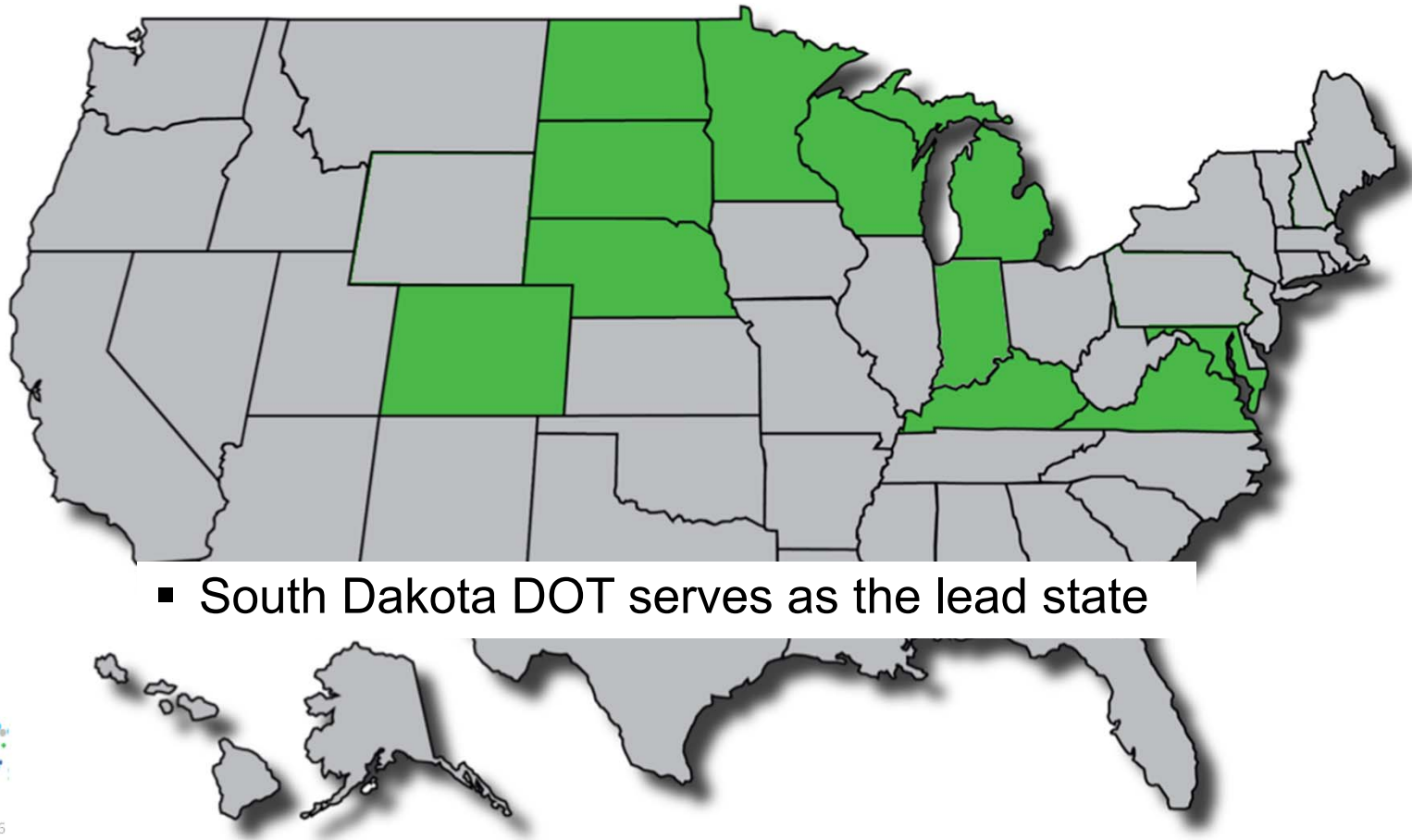
- A Maintenance Decision Support System is anything helping aid the maintenance decision process.
 - Prior Knowledge (Experience)
 - Snow and Ice Guidance Documents
 - RWIS-ESS Observations
 - Fellow operators/supervisors (Communication)
 - “That’s the way we’ve always done it”
 - A computer system that integrates weather, road and maintenance information to provide scientifically driven recommendations



Pooled Fund Studies

- When significant or widespread interest is shown in solving transportation-related problems, research, planning, and technology transfer activities may be jointly funded by several federal, state, regional, and local transportation agencies, academic institutions, foundations, or private firms as a **Pooled Fund Study**.
- There are many different Pooled Fund Studies in existence today
- The Maintenance Decision Support System Pooled Fund Study was started in 2002

MDSS PFS – Current Members

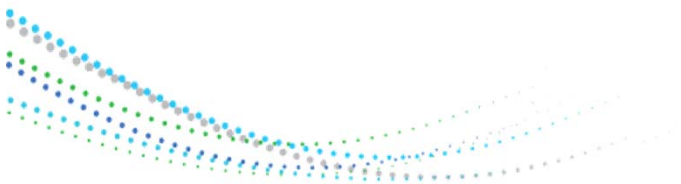


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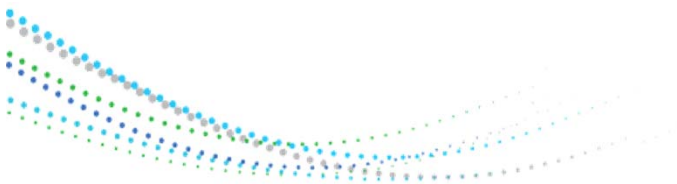
Stakeholder - Definition

- a person with an interest or concern in something, especially a business.
- What does this mean?



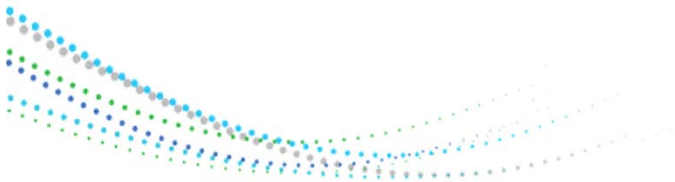
DOT Stakeholder

- Who is a stakeholder of the front line supervisor and area supervisor within a DOT?
 - General Traveling Public
 - EMS – Law Enforcement, Fire, Ambulance
 - Commercial Traffic
 - Schools/Universities
 - Who else?

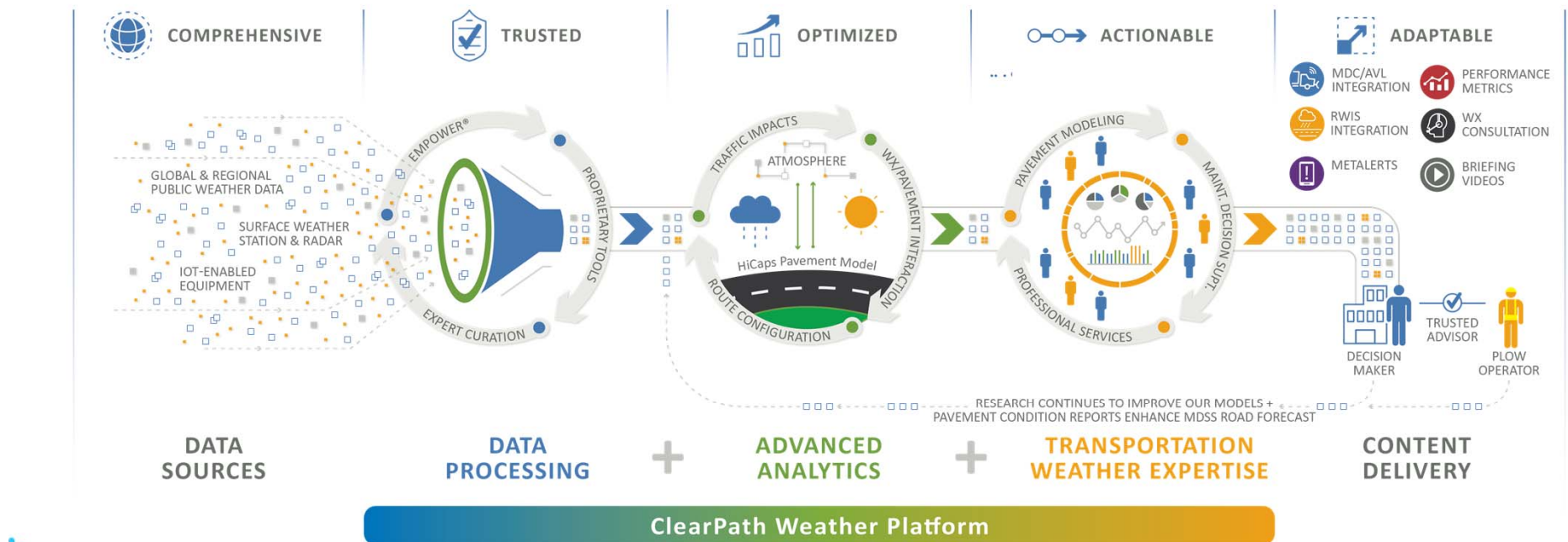


DOT Needs & Concerns

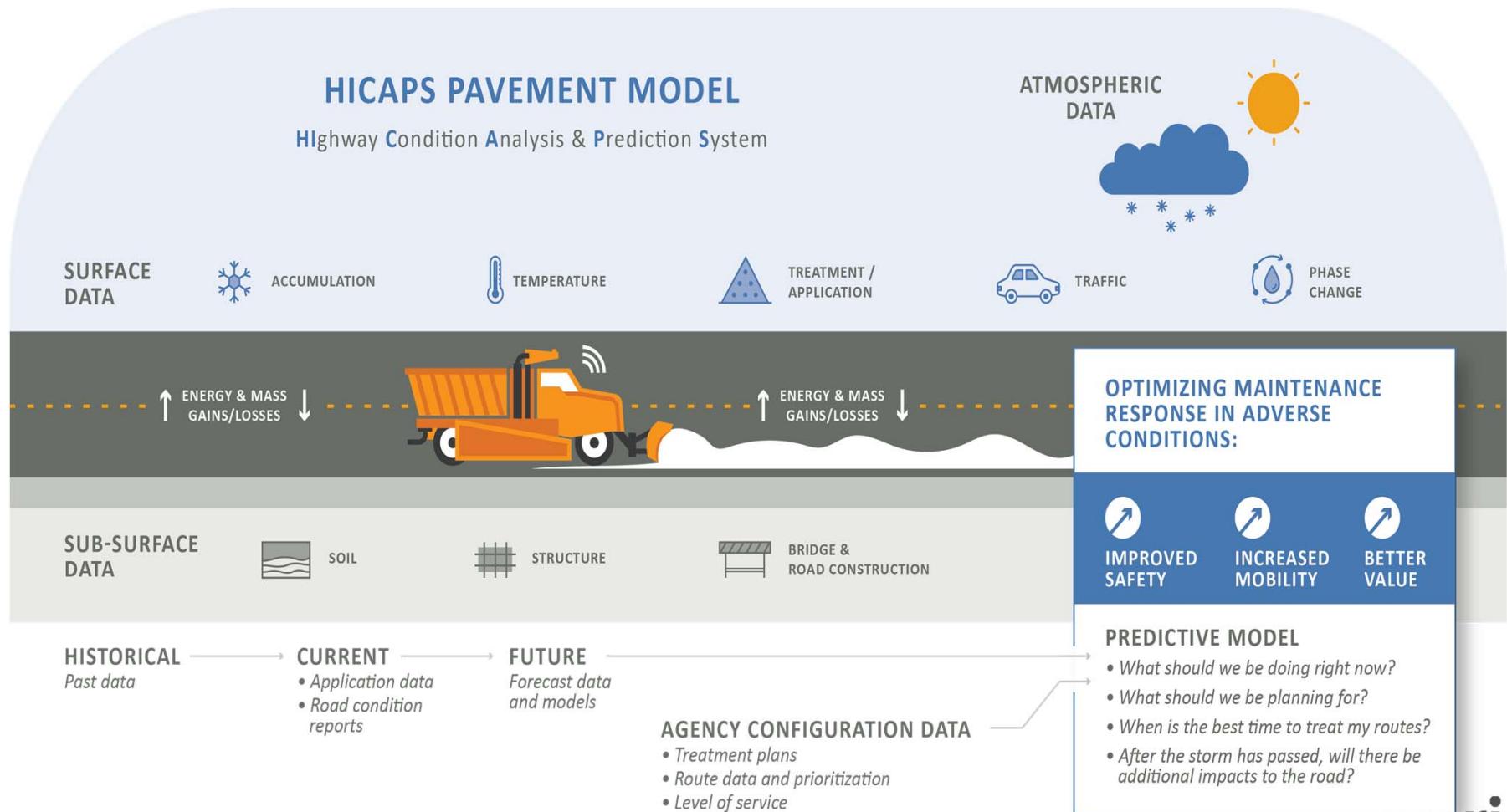
- Pre-Storm Planning
 - Crew Scheduling
 - Chemical Applications and Allocations
 - Equipment Allocation
- Nowcasting Information
 - Start Time!!!
 - Precipitation Type
 - Precipitation Amount
 - Other Weather Variables
- Management of Resources During Event
 - Vehicle Location
 - Chemical Usage
 - Dynamic Equipment Allocation
 - Communication with other Agencies
- Post Storm Activities
 - Assessment of Performance
 - Communication with other Agencies
 - Chemical Allocations
 - Budget



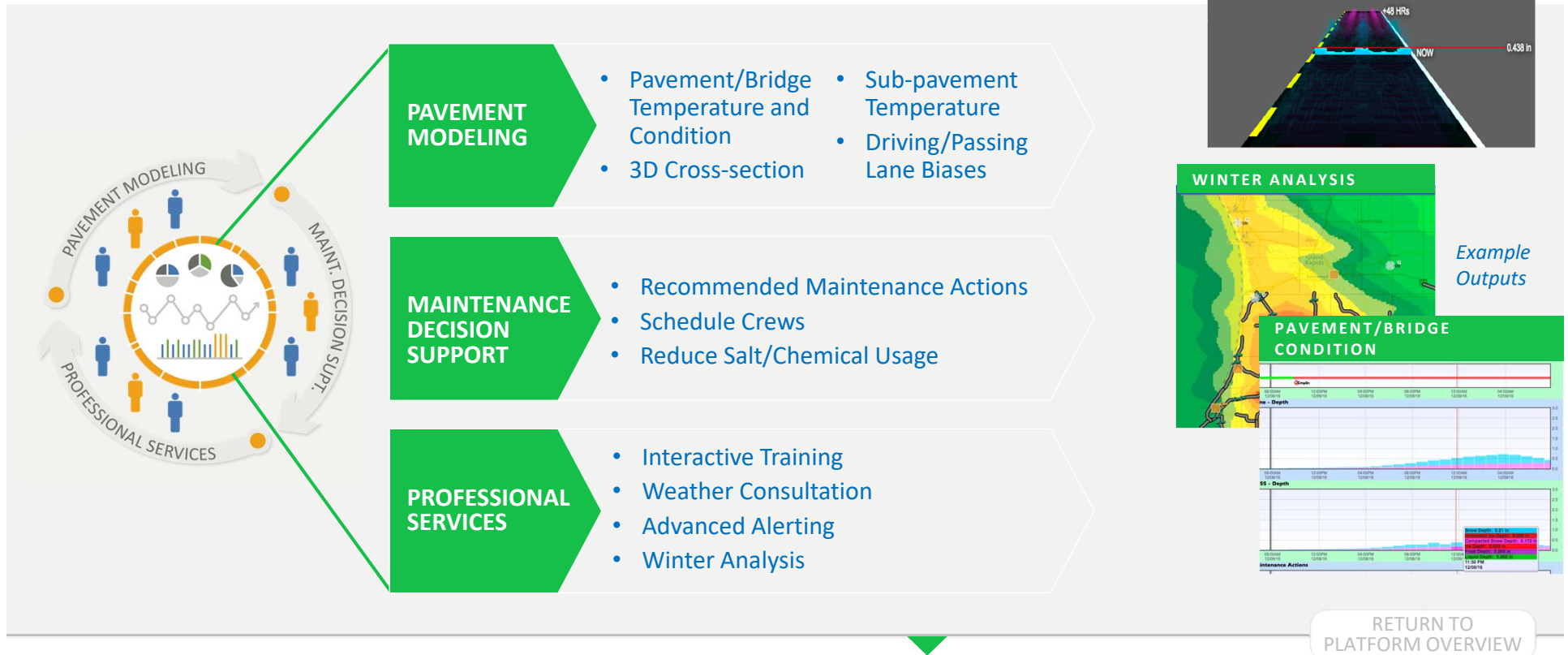
PFS MDSS Approach to Data Integration



HiCAPS Model



Transportation Expertise



DATA
SOURCES



COMPREHENSIVE

DATA
PROCESSING



TRUSTED



ADVANCED
ANALYTICS



OPTIMIZED



TRANSPORTATION
WEATHER EXPERTISE



ACTIONABLE

CONTENT
DELIVERY



ADAPTABLE

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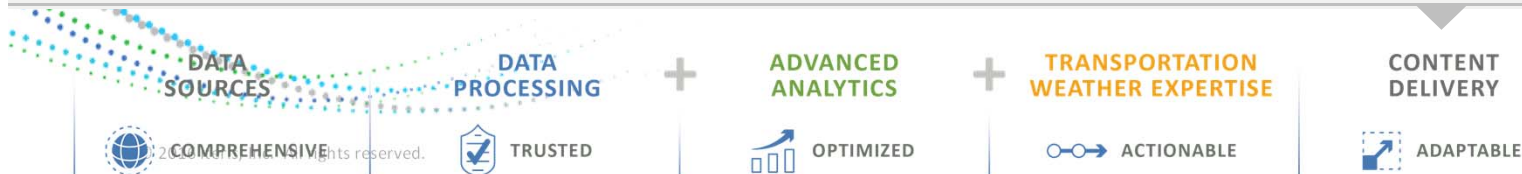
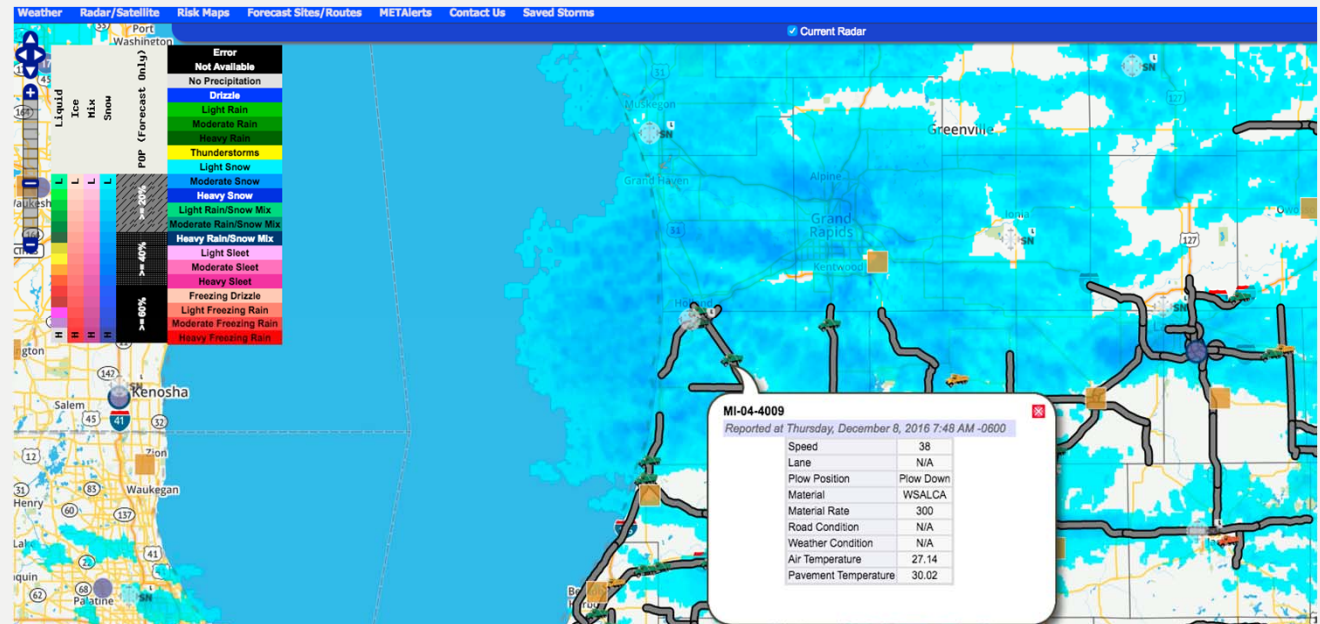
MDC/AVL Integration

(Mobile Data Collection / Automated Vehicle Location)

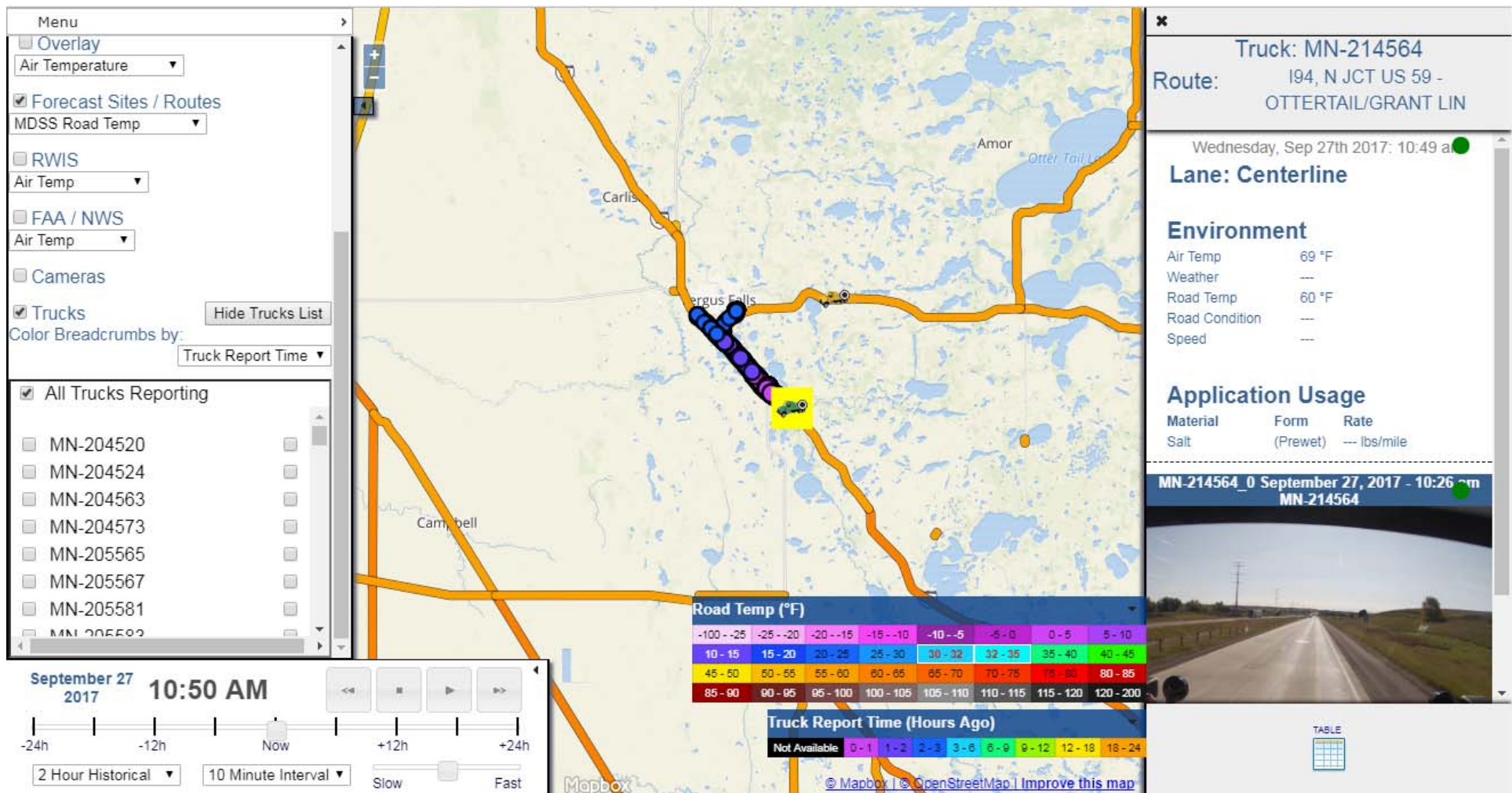


Integrate MDC/AVL data for real time truck location, reports, and camera images.

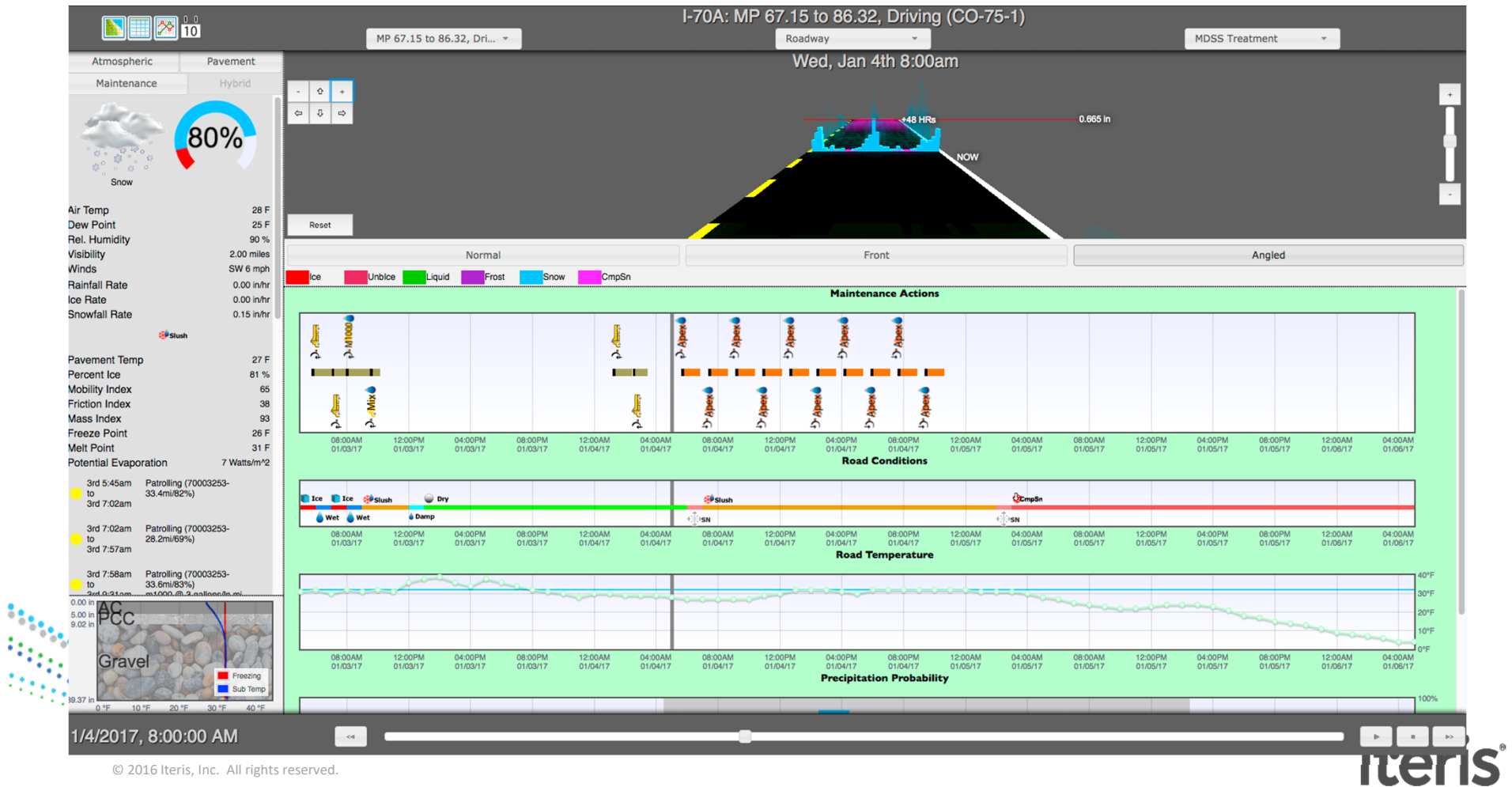
Weather and pavement condition reports enhance MDSS road forecast.



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Heads-up Display of Road Weather Information

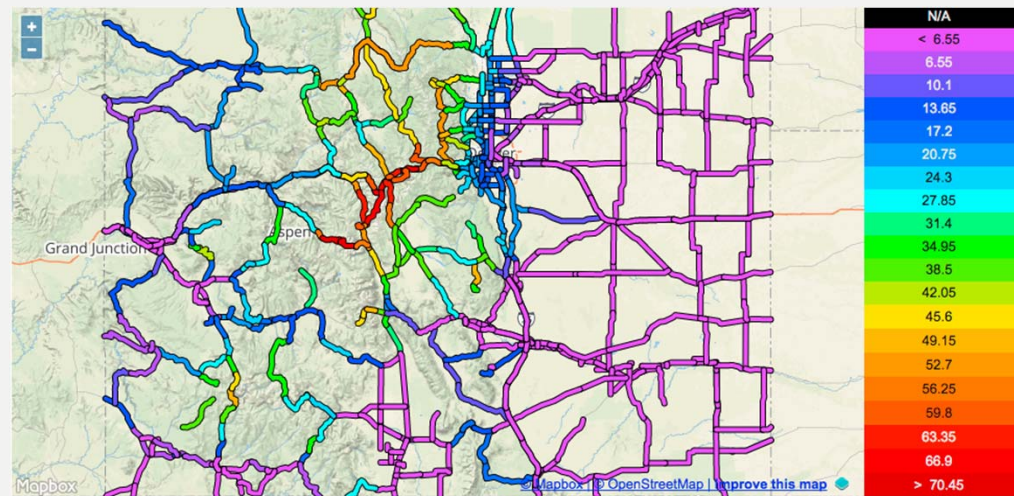


Performance Metrics

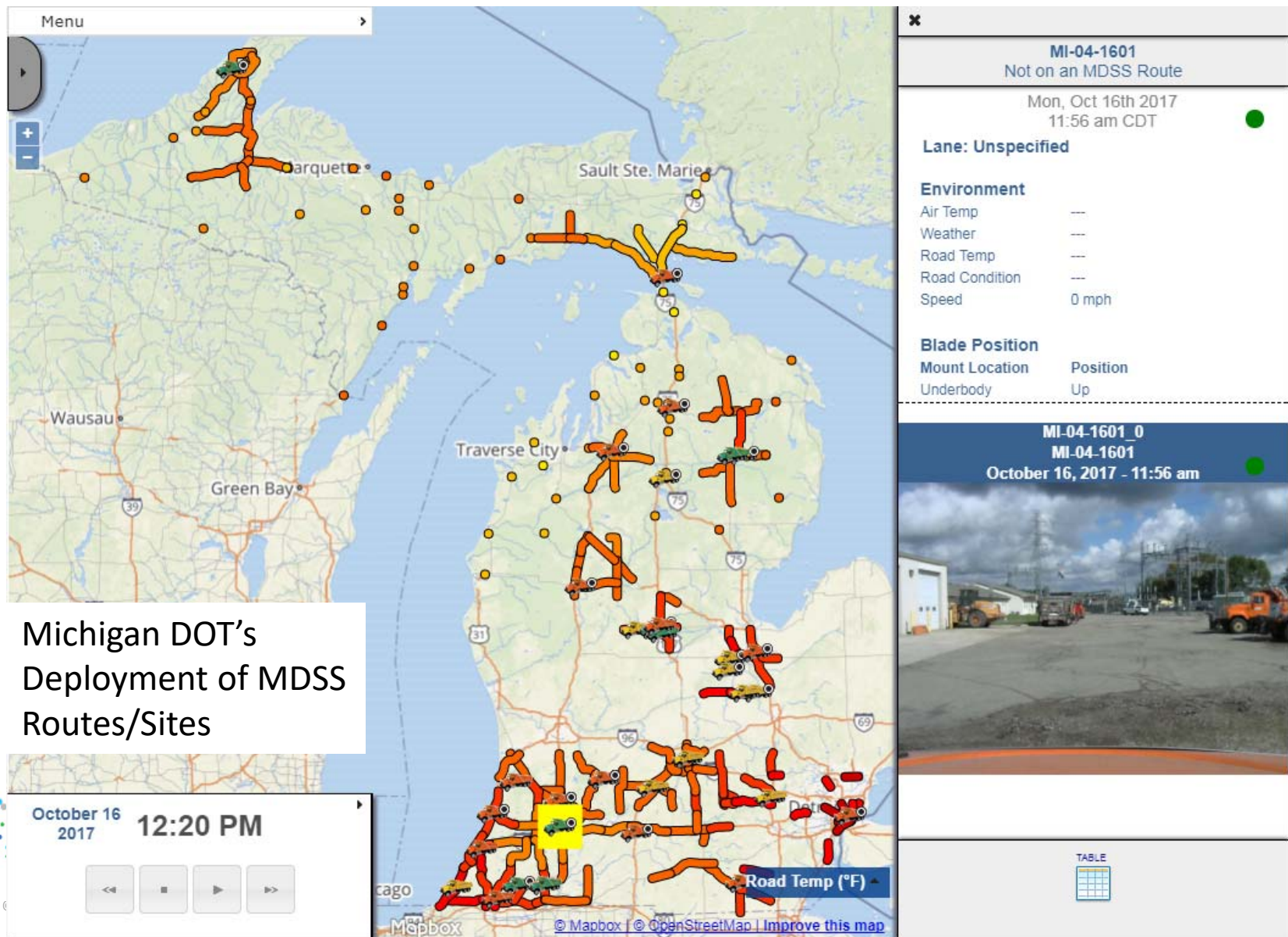
Weekly, monthly or seasonal reports on weather analysis and truck data.

Choose from 20 weather variables, 23 maintenance variables and 12 condition variables.

View reports in a map or table-view with the ability to print and export data.

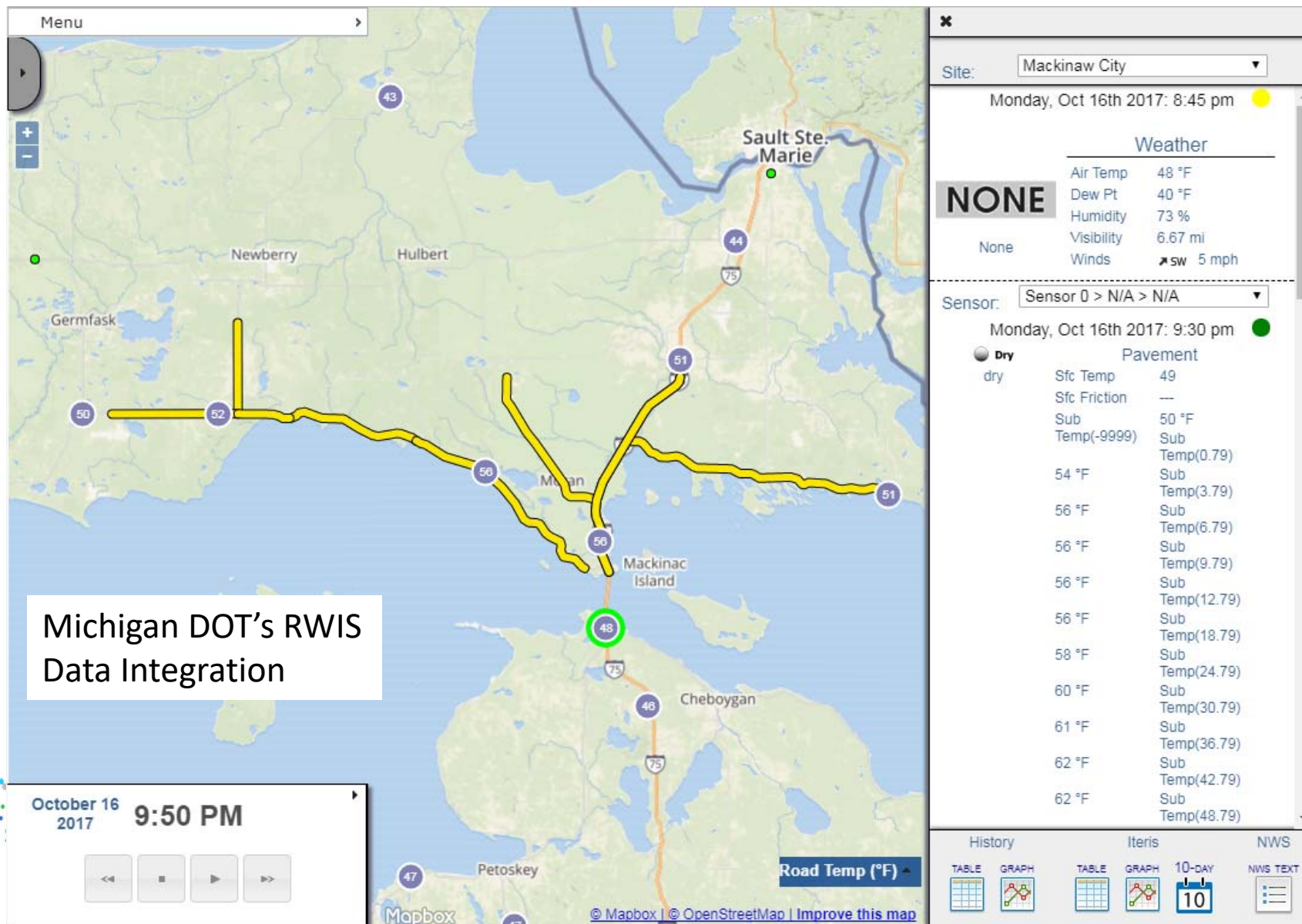


Hours of Snowfall



Michigan DOT's Deployment of MDSS Routes/Sites

Michigan DOT's RWIS Data Integration



Data Integration and Recommendation

US-131 fwy [11mile Rd. north to 20 mile Rd.]
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Table View

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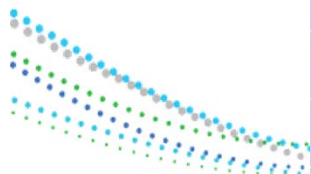
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|-----------------|----------------------------|-----------|----------------|-------------|------|----------------------------|-----------|----------------|-------------|---------|---------------|-------------|--------------|----------------|------------------|------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|------------------|--------------|------------------|--------------|-----------------|---------------|-------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|
| | Temp (°F) | Pvnt Cond | Frost Prob (%) | Maintenance | Rate | Temp (°F) | Pvnt Cond | Frost Prob (%) | Maintenance | Rate | Air Temp (°F) | Dew Pt (°F) | Humidity (%) | Wind Direction | Wind Speed (mph) | Gust (mph) | Wind Chill (°F) | Type | Precip Prob (%) | Liq Rate (in/hr) | Liq Acc (in) | Ice Rate (in/hr) | Ice Acc (in) | Sn Rate (in/hr) | Sn Accum (in) | Cloud Cover | Visibility (mi) | Vis Ob struct | |
| Thu 5am | 24 | CmpSn | 20 | | --- | 24 | CmpSn | 20 | | --- | 24 | 21 | 90 | ↖ SSE | 7 | --- | 16 | SN | --- | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | trace | 0.14 | 0.8 | | 2.00 | --- | Thu 5am |
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| Thu 1pm | 30 | Slush | 5 | --- | --- | 30 | Slush | 5 | --- | --- | 30 | 23 | 75 | ↖ NW | 14 | 24 | 19 | SN | 50 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | trace | 0.02 | 1.8 | | 5.00 | --- | Thu 1pm |
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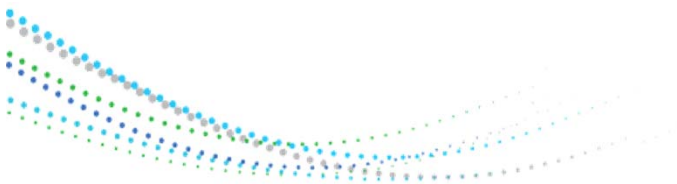
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| Thu 9am | 25 | | 30 | --- | --- | 24 | | 30 | --- | --- |
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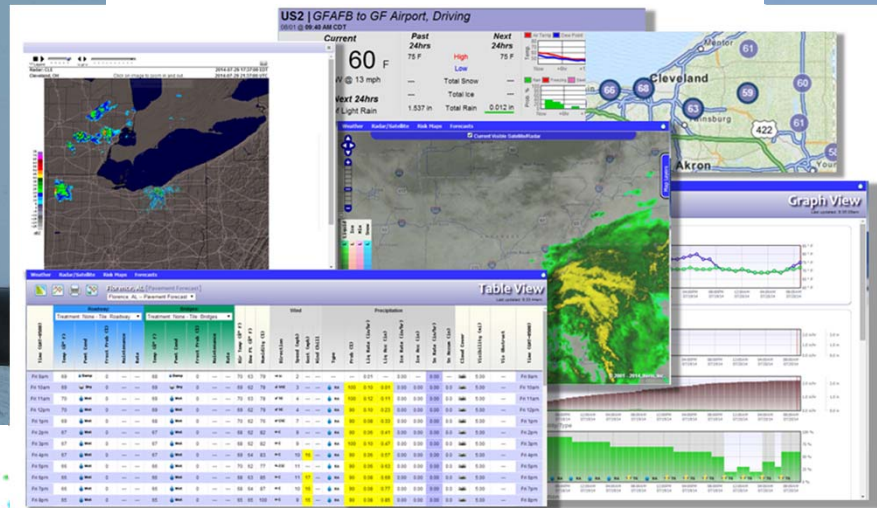
Future R & D Activities for PFS MDSS Project

- Improve MDSS Mobile Apps
- Improving Usability of Maintenance-Centric Winter Severity Data
- Integration of Mobile Data into MDSS Databases
- Incorporating Real-Time Traffic Data into MDSS



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