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MIRE COMPLIANCE & NETWORK SCREENING TOOL

What is MIRE?

MIRE COMPLIANCE

Model Inventory of Roadway Elements MIRE 2.0



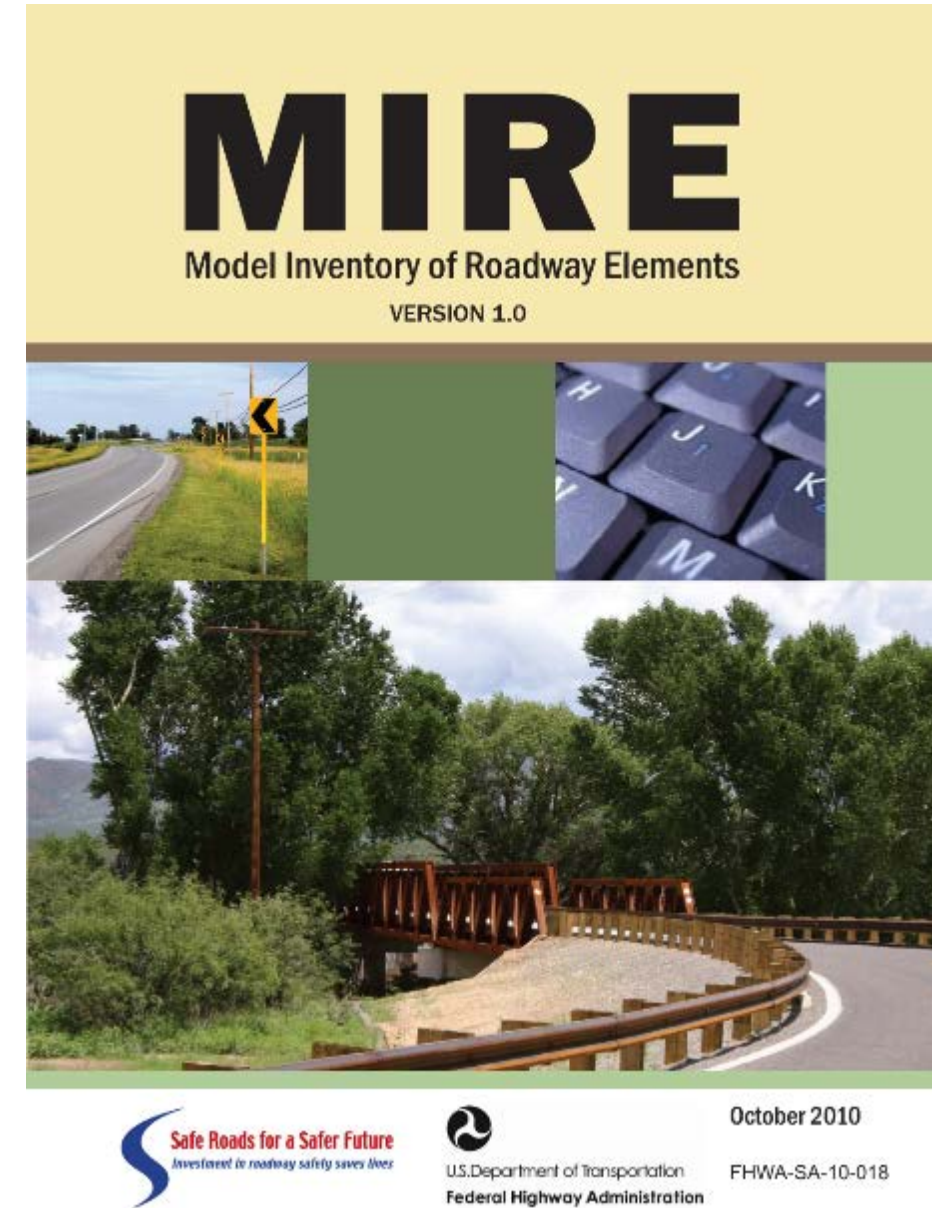
FHWA Safety Program

July 2017

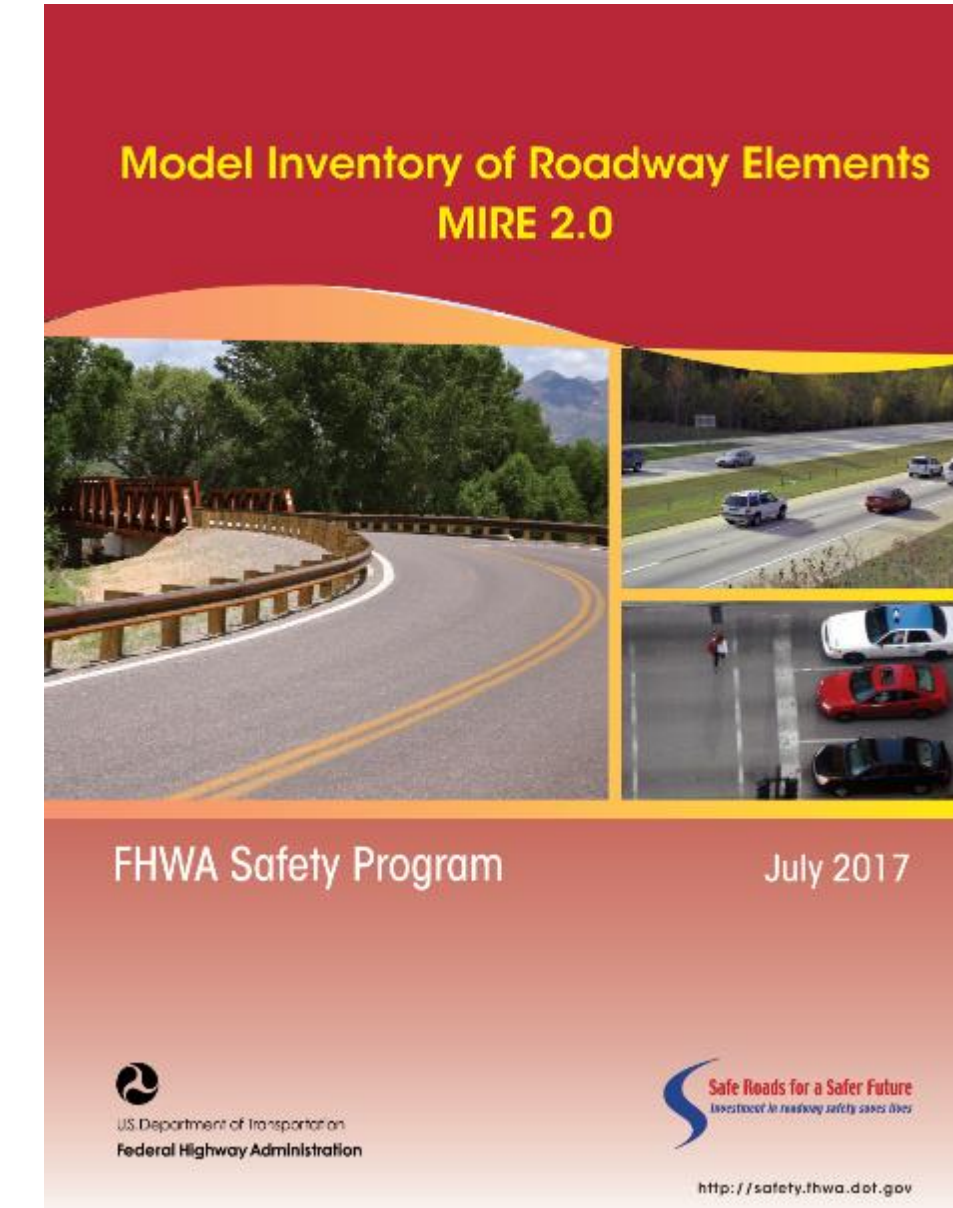
Listing of roadway/traffic data
elements and data dictionary

AT A GLANCE

MIRE HISTORY



- MIRE 1.0**
October 2010
- MAP-21
 - Three Categories



- MIRE 2.0**
July 2017
- FAST Act Provisions
 - Six Categories
 - Identifies FDE

MIRE 1.0
Reassessed

C U R R E N T V E R S I O N

MIRE 2.0

Released in July 2017

Provides a data framework to help transportation agencies improve roadway and traffic data inventories for safety analysis.

Divided into six data type categories:

1. Segments
2. Intersections
3. Intersection Legs
4. Interchange/Ramp
5. Horizontal Alignment
6. Vertical Alignment



C U R R E N T V E R S I O N

MIRE 2.0

States are required to have MIRE FDE for **ALL PUBLIC ROADS** by September 30, 2026.

Because MIRE is a guideline, it is not expected that a State will collect every MIRE element, nor have all their element names and attributes match to MIRE exactly. Rather, States should take what is useful in MIRE and apply it in a way that helps improve their inventory, and ultimately lead to better data-driven decision making.



MIRE 2.0

CONTENTS

Each Element Includes:

- Name
- Indicator if an FDE
- Definition
- Recommended attributes
- Illustration (if needed)
- Crosswalk table (if applicable)

55. Median Type^{FDE}

Definition: The type of median present on the segment.

Recommended Attributes:

1. Undivided
2. Flush paved median (at least 4 ft in width)
3. Raised median
4. Depressed median
5. Two-way left-turn lane
6. Railroad or rapid transit
7. Divided, separate grades without retaining wall
8. Divided, separate grades with retaining wall
9. Other divided

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Crosswalk Table:

Dataset	HPMS	TMG	SHRP 2 RID	FMIS	NBI	LTPP	NPS RIP	HSM
Element Name	Median Type	--	Median Type	--	--	--	--	Presence/Type of Median
Element Number	35	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

Note: “--” indicates that the dataset does not include this specific MIRE element.

M I R E C O M P L I A N C E

Fundamenta I Data Elements



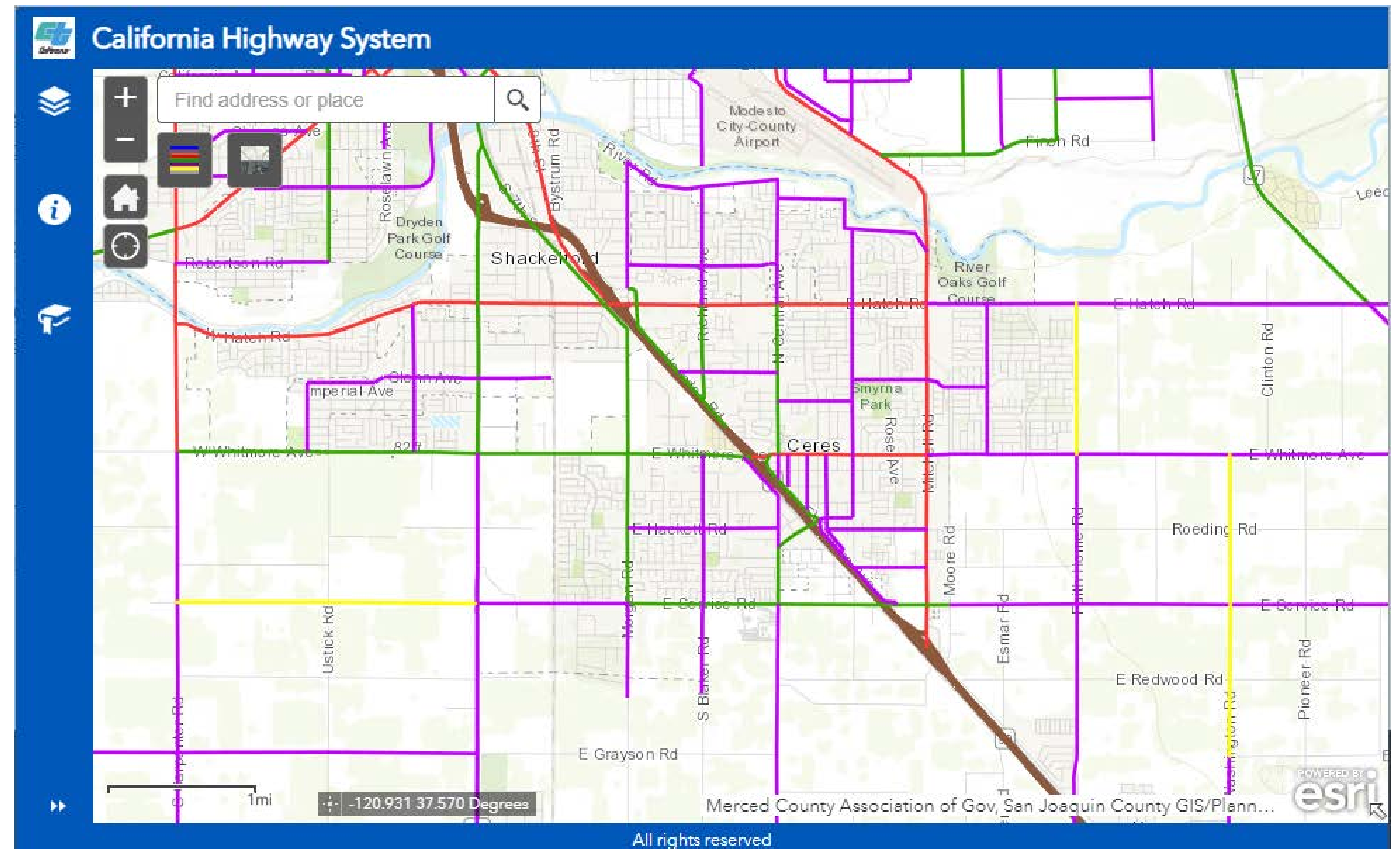
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REQUIREMENTS

FDE requirements vary by facility type.

Non-Local (Functional Class 1-6)

Local (Functional Class 7)



Source: Caltrans CRS Maps Web App

<https://dot.ca.gov/programs/research-innovation-system-information>

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MIRE ID	MIRE ELEMENT
4	Type of Governmental Ownership
8	Route Number
9	Route/Street Name
10	Begin Point Segment Descriptor
11	End Point Segment Descriptor
12	Segment Identifier
13	Segment Length
18	Direction of Inventory
19	Functional Class
20	Rural/Urban Designation
21	Federal Aid/Route Type
22	Access Control
23	Surface Type
31	Number of Through Lanes
54	Median Type
79	AADT
80	AADT Year
91	One/Two-way Operations

MIRE 2.0

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FDE REQUIREMENTS

Fundamental Data Elements (FDE) are required by Functional Class and pavement (yes/no)

Non-Local Roads

- 26 Segment
- 8 Intersection
- 11 Interchange/Ramp

Local Paved Roads

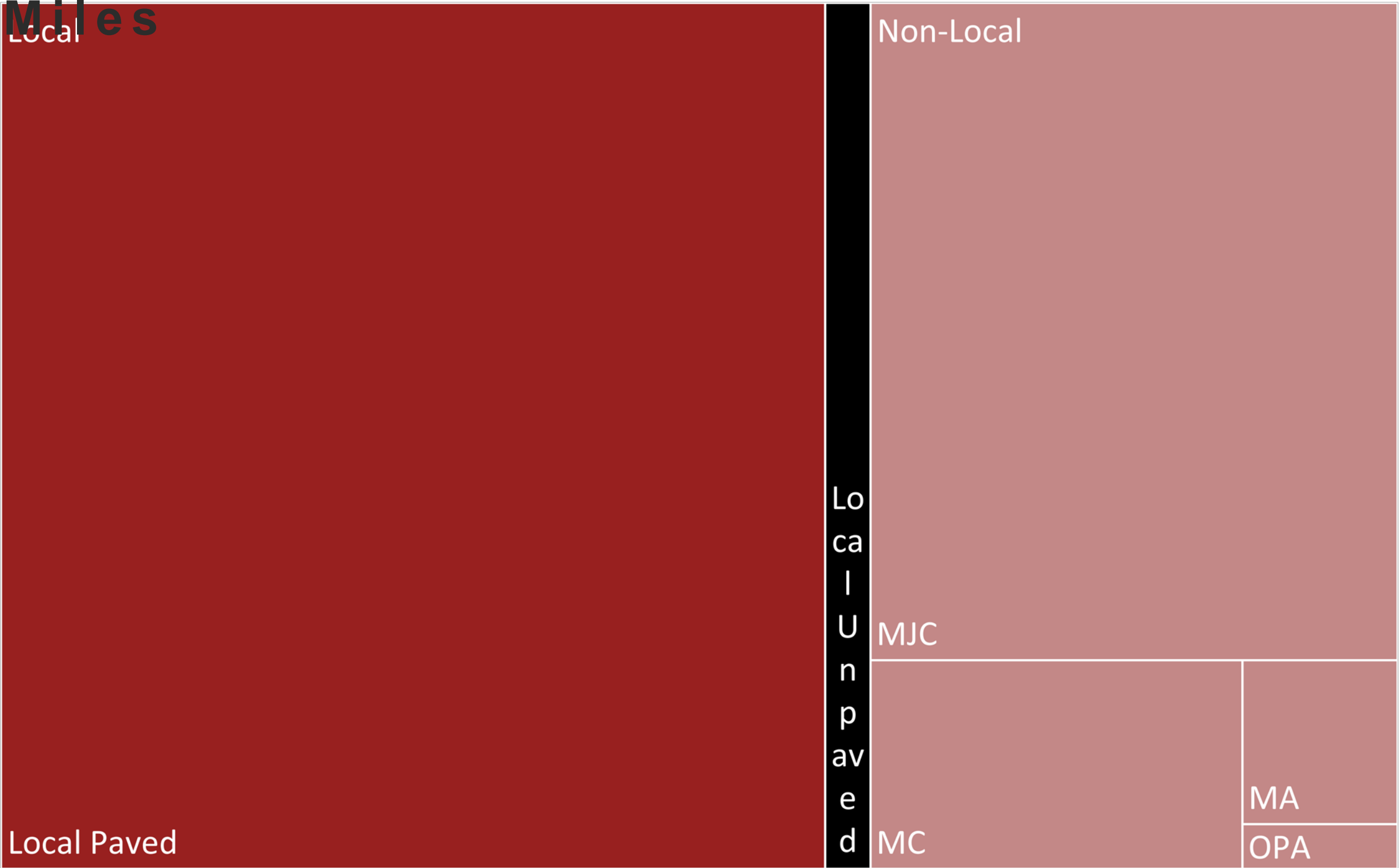
- 9 Segment

Local Unpaved Roads

- 5 Segment



Stanislaus County Road Network: 1507.23 Miles



FDE for Safety Analysis

WHAT DO WE REALLY
NEED?

While all based on similar datasets, various programs and methodologies require specific subsets of data for analysis.

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Random Forest Algorithm

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WHAT DO WE REALLY
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FDE is the minimum set of attributes.

Through analysis, we can identify the most influential elements.

Maintaining the data will be difficult, so reducing that data maintenance need is important for success

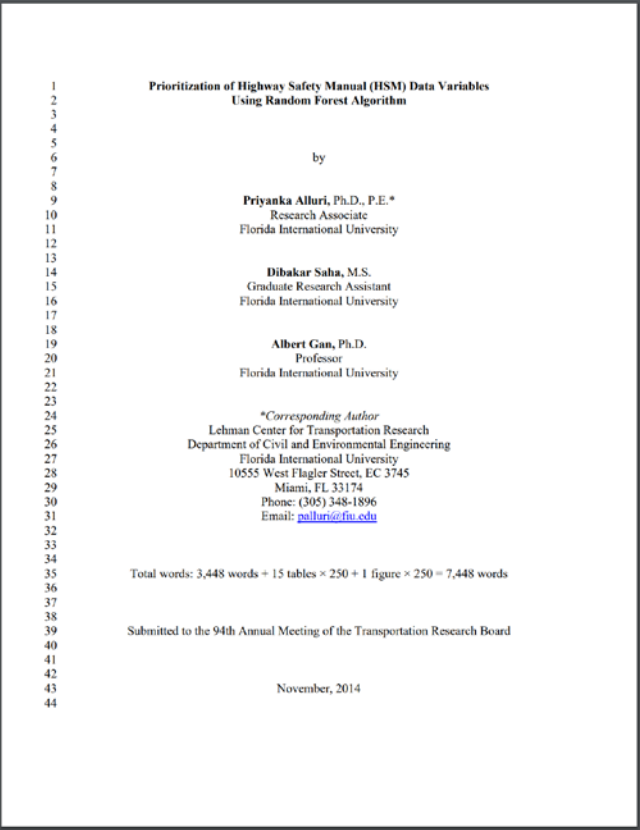


TABLE 4 Ranking of Variables: Rural Two-way Two-lane Roads

Variables	IncNodePurity	Rank
AADT	735.7	1
Driveway density	318.9	2
Shoulder width	151.6	3
Roadside hazard rating	110.9	4
Lane width	65.0	5
Shoulder type	50.6	6
Presence of lighting	11.2	7
Presence of passing lane	5.9	8
Presence of TWLTL	4.9	9
Presence of short four-lane section	2.3	10
Presence of centerline rumble strip	1.7	11
Presence of automated speed enforcement	0.2	12

Note: Mean of squared residuals: 0.430; Percent of variance explained: 44.60%.

Prioritization of Highway Safety Manual (HSM) Data Variables Using Random Forest Algorithm
<http://docs.trb.org/prp/15-2257.pdf>

FDE for Safety Analysis

Rural Roadway Segments

Random Forest Algorithm Results

Variables
AADT
Driveway Density
Shoulder Width
Roadside hazard rating
Lane width
Shoulder type
Presence of Lighting
Presence of passing lane
Presence of TWLTL
Presence of short-four lane section
Presence of centerline rumble strip
Presence of automated speed enforcement

County Initial Results

Variables
AADT
Rural 2-Lane Undivided (yes/no)
Number of Lanes
Median Width
Uncontrolled Int. Density
Lighting Presence

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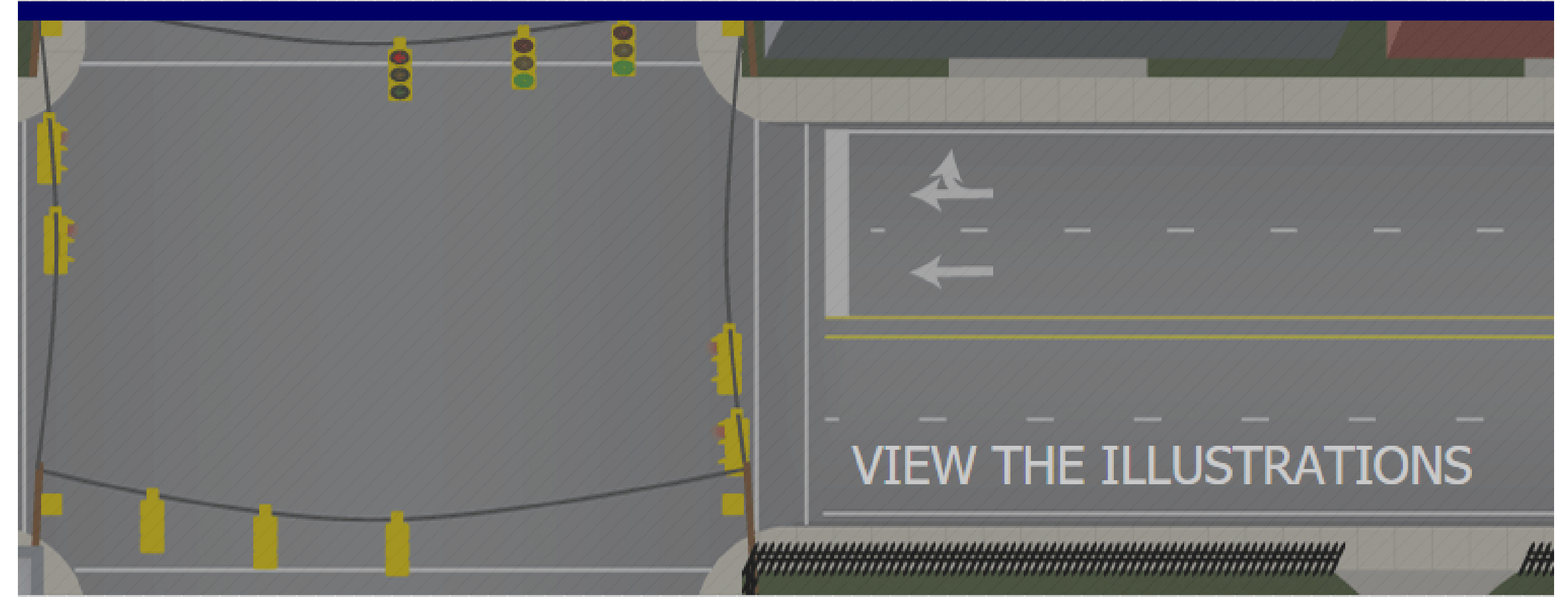
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Interactive Illustrations

<https://safety.fhwa.dot.gov/fde/>

Safety / MIRE FUNDAMENTAL DATA ELEMENTS

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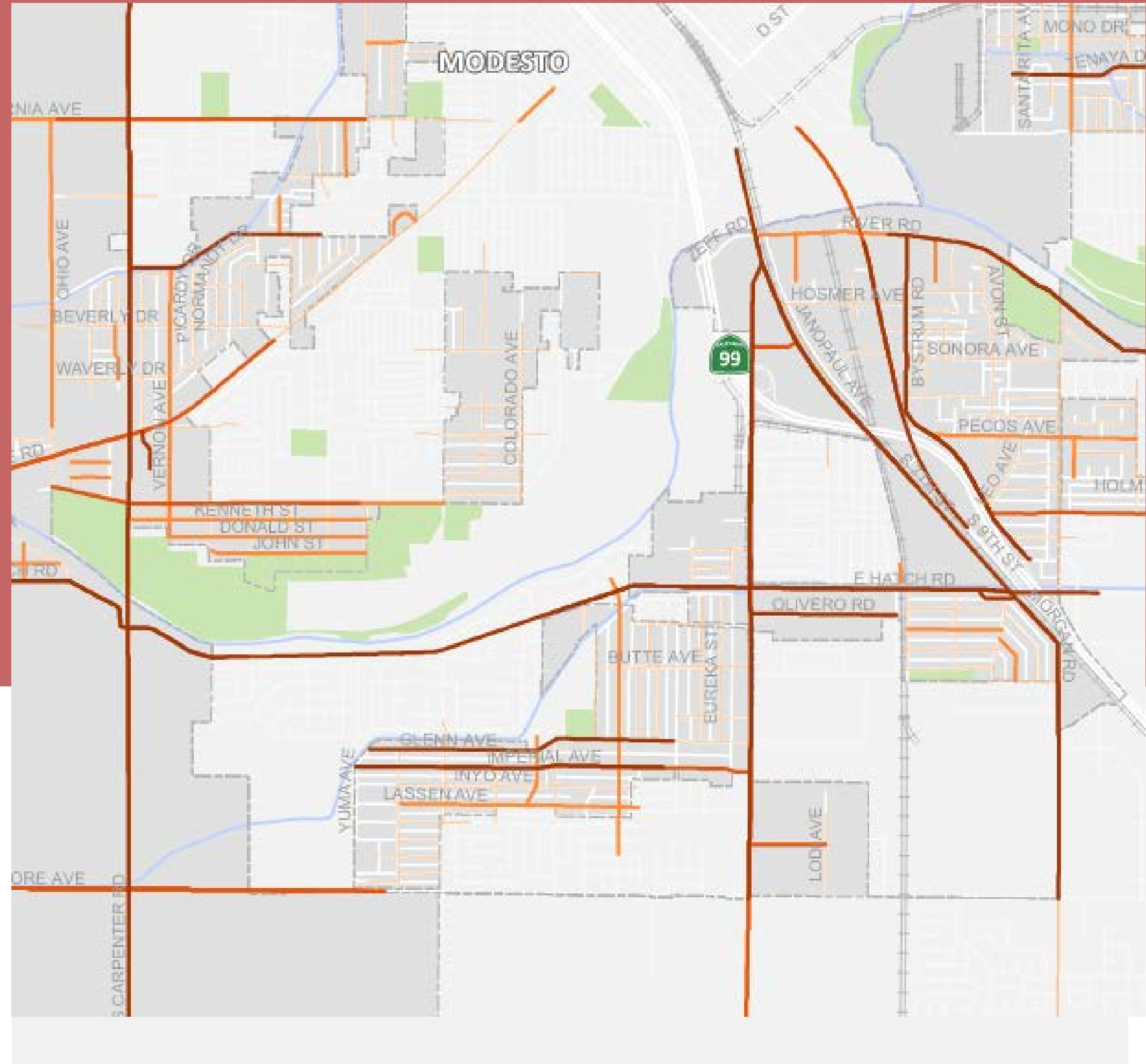
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FHWA developed a set of interactive graphic images to depict the MIRE FDEs for each of the roadway categories. By clicking on one of the roadway categories boxes at the top of the screen, a sample graphic image appears for that category (e.g., intersection and interchange). There are three categories of road segments (e.g., non-local paved road, local paved road, unpaved road), clicking in the box associated with that category changes the screen to a graphic depiction of that category. Within each graphic image, the bottom middle of the image provides a set of tabs with data element names. Placing the cursor over a data element name tab and clicking produces the data element name, element definition, and suggested data element names suggested to describe the data element. Also, the roadway graphic visually depicts the element and provides the information that could be collected to describe that data element within a roadway inventory database.

If you encounter any difficulties or would like additional information regarding the MIRE FDE graphics, please contact Bob Pollack at: Robert.pollack@dot.gov, 202-366-5019.

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NETWORK SCREENING TOOL



Developing a custom network tool

DDSA TOOLS

Highway Safety Manual

- Tool lists available on the FHWA Roadway Safety Data Programs (RSDP) Toolbox Webpage and EDC-4 DDSA resource page
- Handful of Network Screening Tools
- Predominately Location Analysis Tools (Site specific input)



I felt available options were not well suited for a local agency's resources.

<http://safety.fhwa.dot.gov/rsdp/toolbox-home.aspx>

https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/innovation/everydaycounts/edc_4/ddsa_resources/

RESOURCES

Developing a Solution for Local Agencies

What usable data do we have?

Use available resources that are already part of our workflow

- i-SWITRS collision data
- GIS road data (Public Works/OES)
- ArcGIS Server with Enterprise Portal
- Some attributes don't vary enough to maintain data

Use new resources that are available, but require integration
Caltrans Linear Reference System



RESOURCES

Developing a Solution for Local Agencies



How much expertise (and time) do we have?

Using tools such as IHSDM or the HSM spreadsheets requires staff to be very familiar with the methodologies.

This can be time consuming, collecting location data and analyzing, then comparing.

What opportunities exist?

- Help Caltrans with MIRE Compliance
- Customizable to our needs
- Can utilize simplified defaults where data doesn't exist yet based on roadway attributes

RESOURCES

Developing a Solution for Local Agencies



Where and what are our problems?

- We typically concentrate on collision history, but not on exposure to risk.
- Network Screening tools can help:
 - Identify hard to see risks
 - Prioritize Locations, crash types, and treatments

Where are our successes?

- Identify roadway attributes that correlate with low collision rates

SYSTEMIC SAFETY ANALYSIS REPORT PROGRAM

Roadway Safety Audits

- We didn't even know WHERE to look
- Rural collisions are sporadic
- Correlation is difficult to find study corridors for audits
- Ends up mostly being based on total collisions
- Results in a static report

Developing an Application

- We wanted a true “program” moving forward
- Ability to update easily
- Develop priority lists, even as our priorities may change
- Expandable

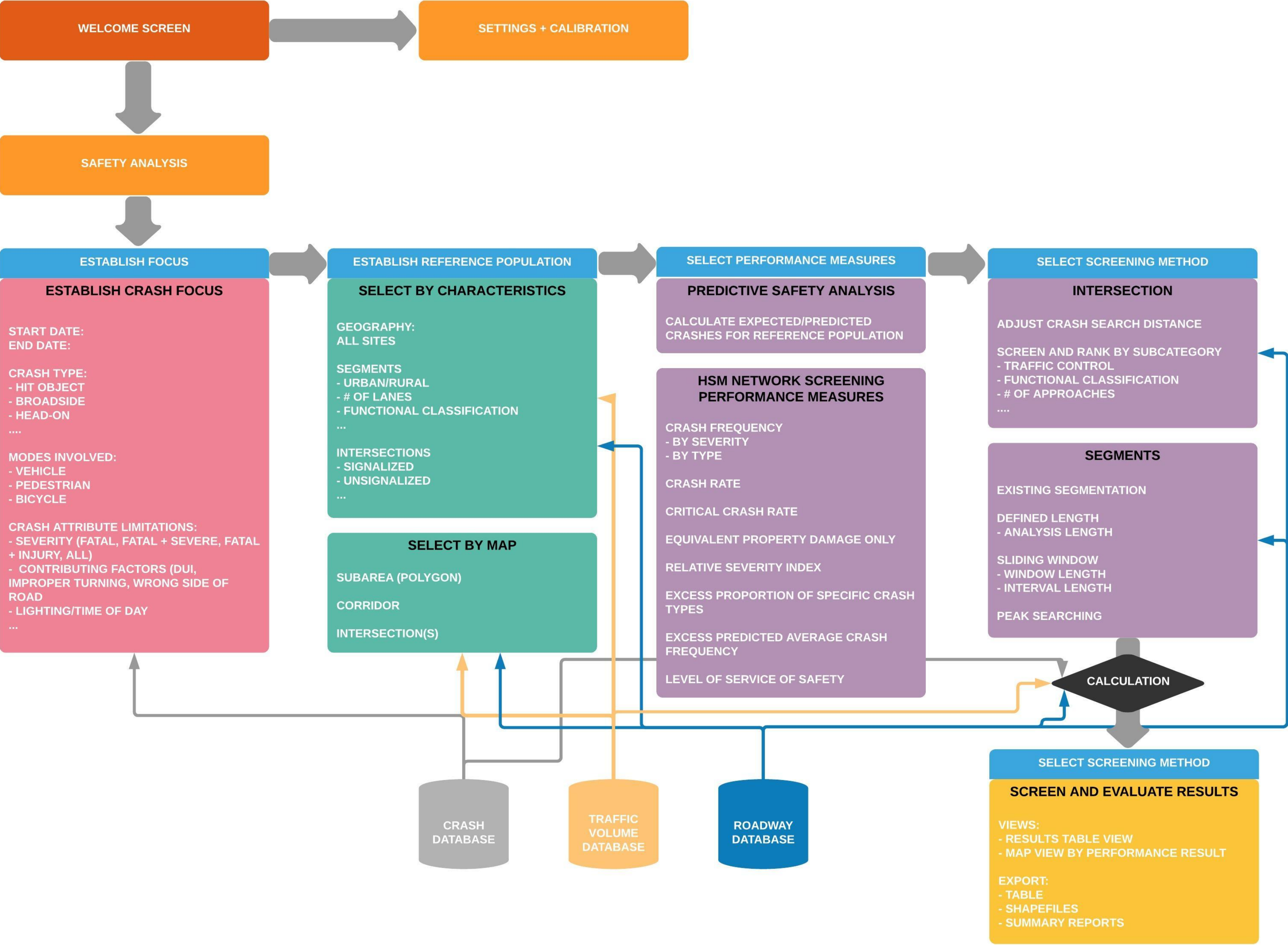
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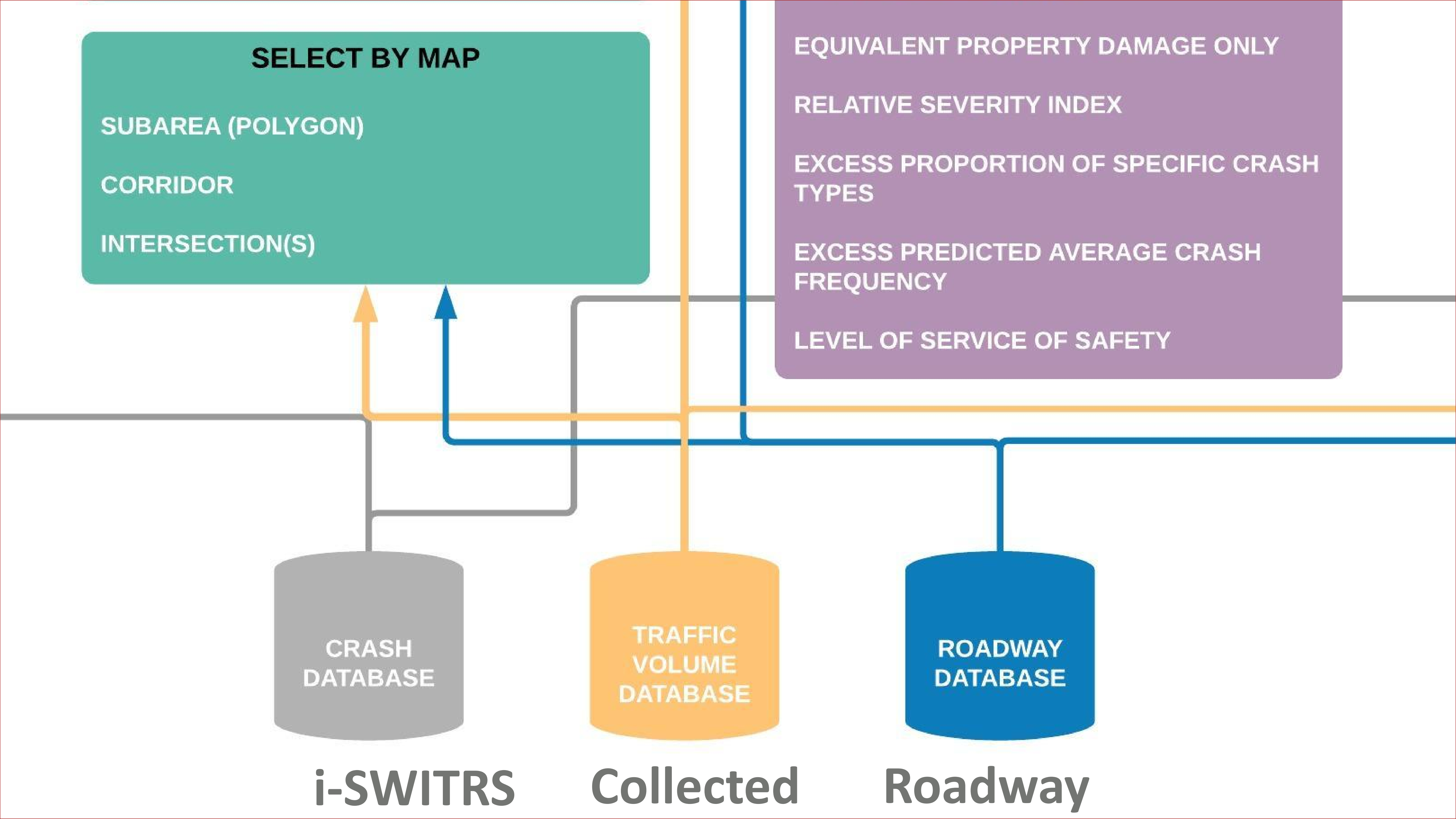
OUR APPROACH

- Data stored in MS SQL (ArcGIS Server)
- ArcGIS Web Application through Enterprise Portal
 - Requires additional python libraries for analysis.
- Data being tied to Caltrans All Roads Linear Referencing System (LRS)
- Collision Data from i-SWITRS
- ADT data from county database and estimate system using “kriging”, a geo-spatial interpolation technique.

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ANALYSIS TOOL

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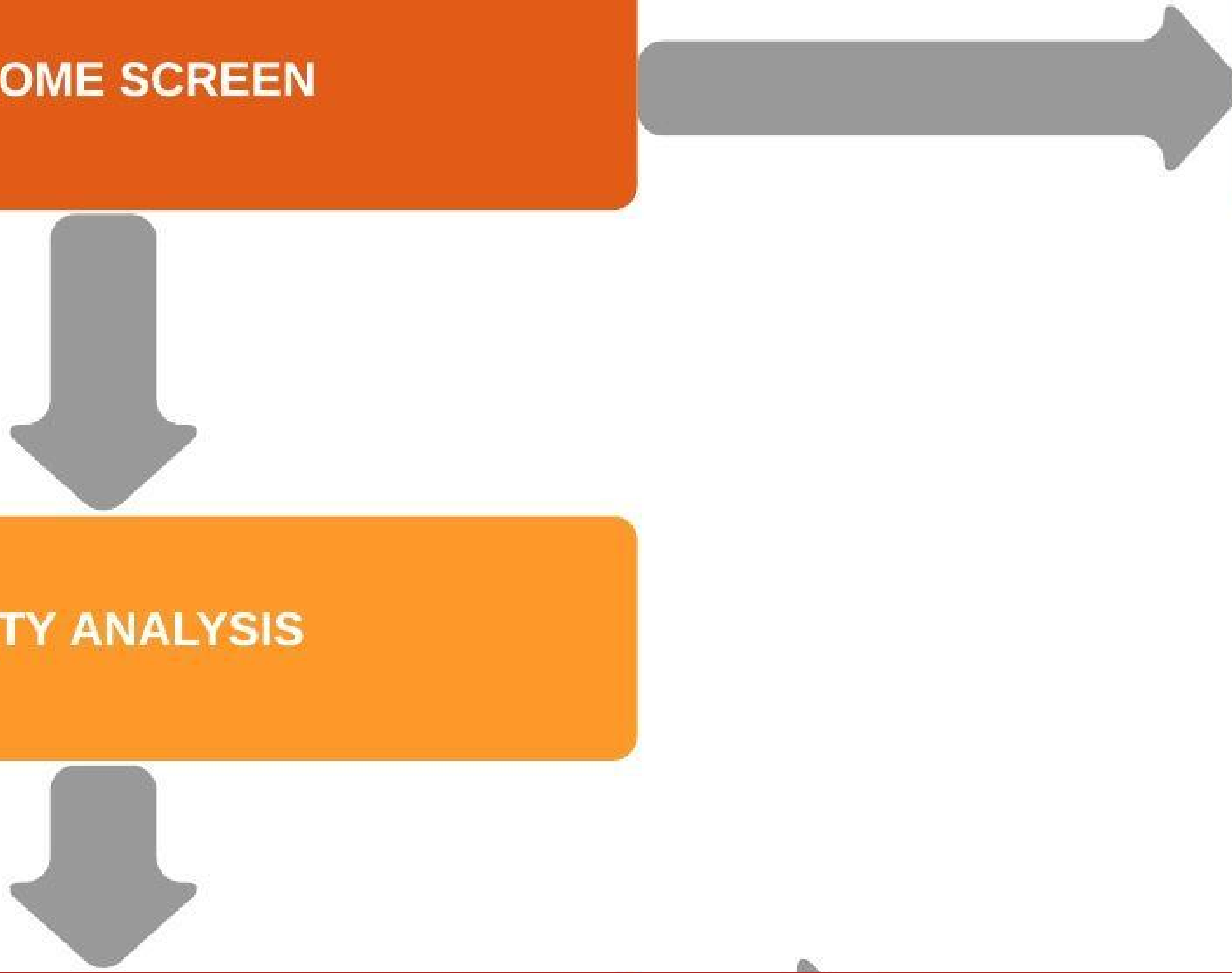
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WELCOME SCREEN

SETTINGS + CALIBRATION

SAFETY ANALYSIS



ESTABLISH FOCUS

ESTABLISH CRASH FOCUS

START DATE:

END DATE:

CRASH TYPE:

- HIT OBJECT
- BROADSIDE
- HEAD-ON

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MODES INVOLVED:

- VEHICLE
- PEDESTRIAN
- BICYCLE

CRASH ATTRIBUTE LIMITATIONS:

- SEVERITY (FATAL, FATAL + SEVERE, FATAL + INJURY, ALL)
- CONTRIBUTING FACTORS (DUI, IMPROPER TURNING, WRONG SIDE OF ROAD)
- LIGHTING/TIME OF DAY

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ESTABLISH REFERENCE POPULATION

SELECT BY CHARACTERISTIC

GEOGRAPHY:
ALL SITES

SEGMENTS

- URBAN/RURAL
- # OF LANES
- FUNCTIONAL CLASSIFICATION

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INTERSECTIONS

- SIGNALIZED
- UNSIGNALIZED

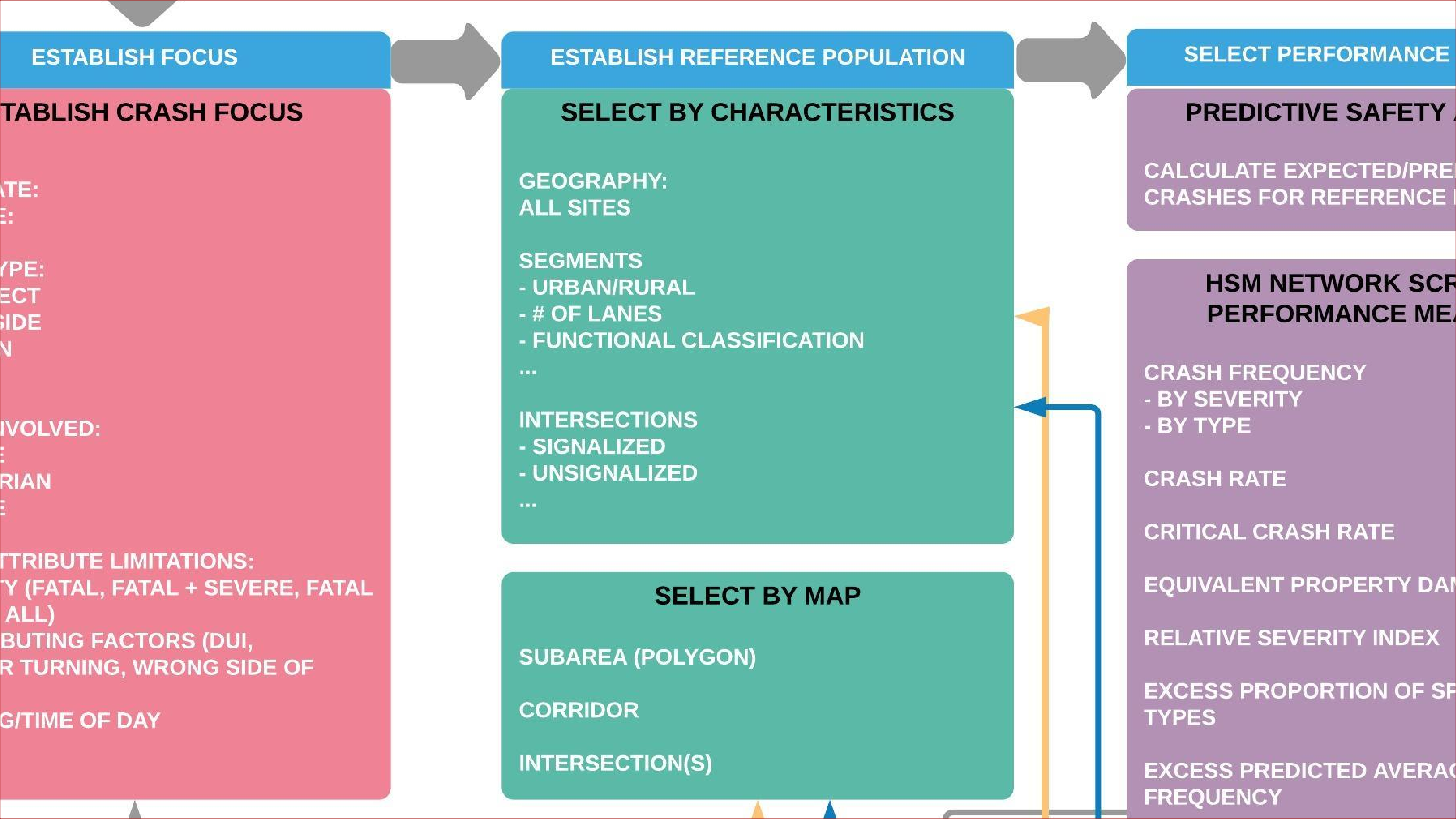
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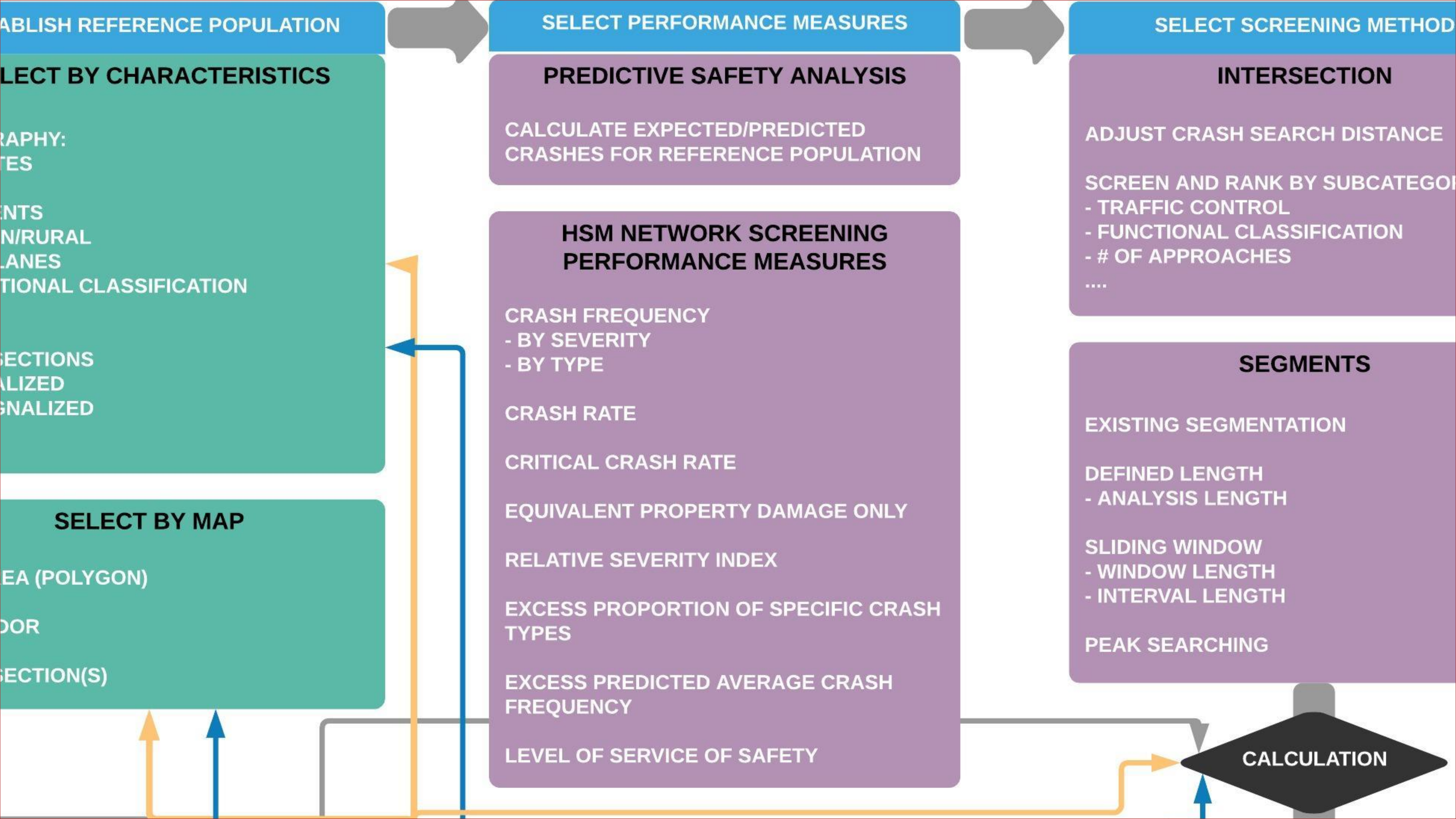
SELECT BY MAP

SUBAREA (POLYGON)

CORRIDOR

INTERSECTION(S)





SELECT PERFORMANCE MEASURES

PREDICTIVE SAFETY ANALYSIS
CALCULATE EXPECTED/PREDICTED
CRASHES FOR REFERENCE POPULATION

**HSM NETWORK SCREENING
PERFORMANCE MEASURES**

CRASH FREQUENCY
CRASH SEVERITY
CRASH TYPE

CRASH RATE

LOCAL CRASH RATE

PERCENTAGE OF CRASHES INVOLVING
PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY

CRASH SEVERITY INDEX

PERCENTAGE PROPORTION OF SPECIFIC CRASH
TYPES

PERCENTAGE PREDICTED AVERAGE CRASH
FREQUENCY



SELECT SCREENING METHOD

INTERSECTION

ADJUST CRASH SEARCH DISTANCE

SCREEN AND RANK BY SUBCATEGORY
- TRAFFIC CONTROL
- FUNCTIONAL CLASSIFICATION
- # OF APPROACHES
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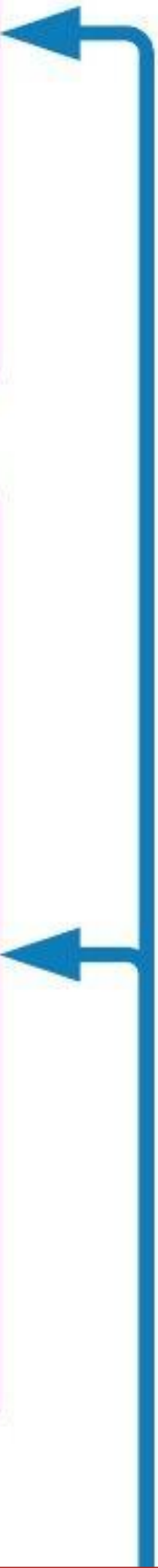
SEGMENTS

EXISTING SEGMENTATION

DEFINED LENGTH
- ANALYSIS LENGTH

SLIDING WINDOW
- WINDOW LENGTH
- INTERVAL LENGTH

PEAK SEARCHING



F SAFETY

CALCULATION

SELECT SCREENING METHOD

SCREEN AND EVALUATE RESULTS

VIEWS:

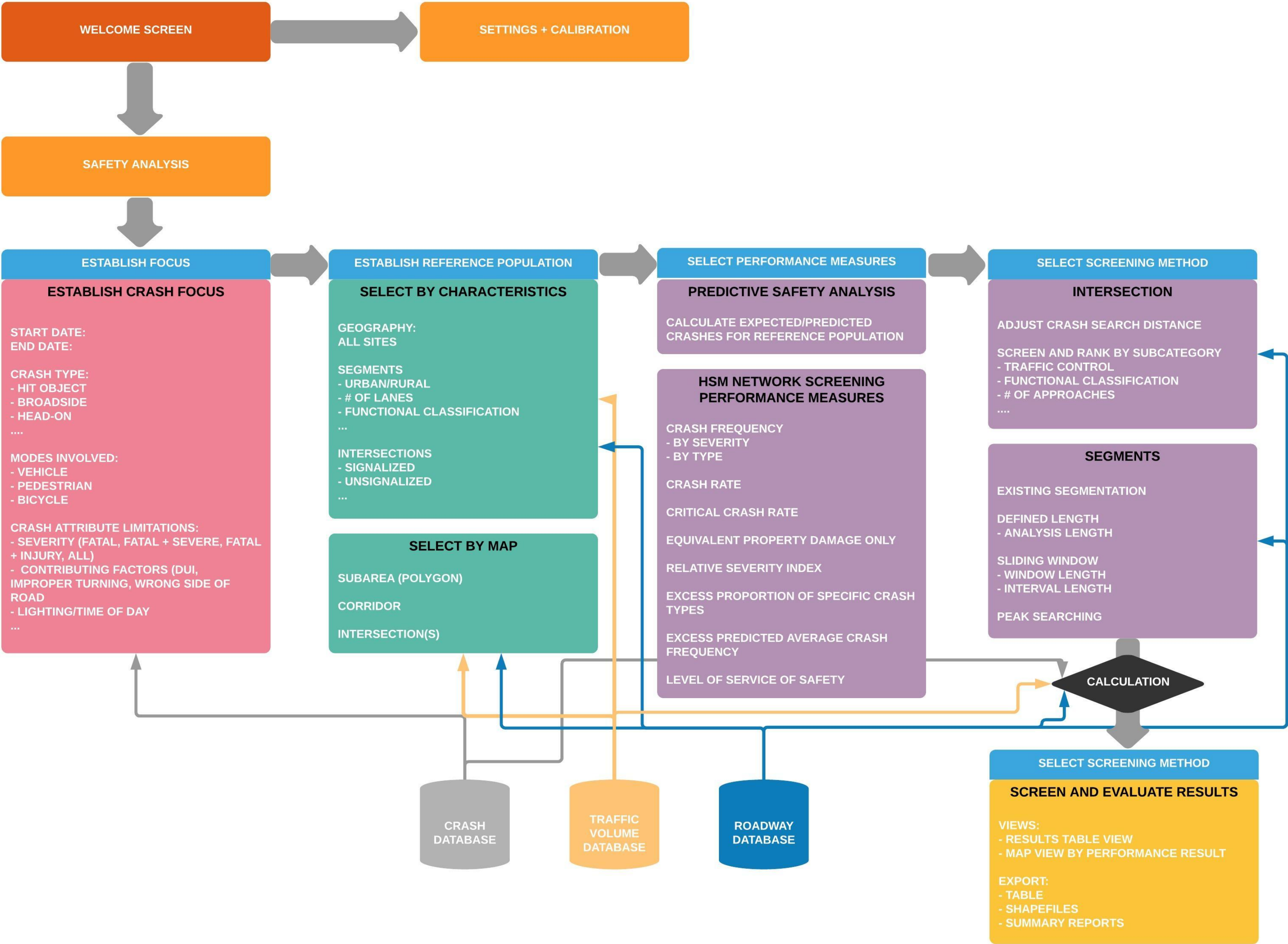
- RESULTS TABLE VIEW
- MAP VIEW BY PERFORMANCE RESULT

EXPORT:

- TABLE
- SHAPEFILES
- SUMMARY REPORTS

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CURRENT PLATFORM

WHAT'S NEXT?

- Data has been collected and processed
- SPF's have been calculated
- Priority treatments and location lists are being developed.
- The tool is still under development, specifically front-end development and integration with our enterprise server.
- All the backend work is completed
- Open source licensing options are being pursued to share with others and keep development of the tool on-going.

LINKS

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