

Hosting the TRANSIMS Community

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Current Arrangement

- ▶ Wiki and little-used forum
 - ▶ <http://www.transims-opensource.net>
- ▶ Executables, source and documentation
 - ▶ <http://sourceforge.net/projects/transims>
- ▶ Currently used forum
 - ▶ <http://listserv.tamu.edu/archives/transims-l.html>
- ▶ Older information
 - ▶ http://tmip.fhwa.dot.gov/community/user_groups/transims



Problems with Current Arrangement

- ▶ **Hosting problems with *transims-opensource.net***
 - ▶ Dedicated administrator required for disruptions, tech support, and major changes
 - ▶ Forums rarely used

- ▶ **Lack of cohesion**
 - ▶ 4 different sites/services used
 - ▶ No single, definitive resource
 - ▶ Difficult to navigate documentation and support files



Required Elements

- ▶ **Source Repository**

- ▶ Version-controlled
- ▶ Issue tracking
- ▶ Easy release procedure

Current solution: SourceForge.net

- ▶ **Discussion Forum/List**

- ▶ At least 2 groups: users and developers
- ▶ Email notification of posts

Current solution: Texas A&M listserv



Required Elements

- ▶ **Documentation**

- ▶ PDF's for users, editable (MS Word) for developers
- ▶ Version control?

Current solution: File space on SourceForge site

- ▶ **Wiki**

- ▶ Controlled edit access
- ▶ Save-to-HTML for offline use

Current Solution: DokuWiki on transims-opensource.net

- ▶ **Blog/News**

- ▶ RSS/Atom feed desirable

Current Solution: Project blog on transims-opensource.net



Options Explored

- ▶ **Move everything to SourceForge**
 - ▶ Provides all of the necessary components as add-on services
 - ▶ Poor customizability of home page
 - ▶ Little integration between components

- ▶ **Ning.com**
 - ▶ Customizable social network service
 - ▶ No code repository, poor file storage
 - ▶ Unusable for documentation or releases

- ▶ **Google Code...**



Proposed Hosting: Google / Sourceforge

- ▶ **Sourceforge**
 - ▶ TRANSIMS source / executable repository

- ▶ **Google Code**
 - ▶ Free project hosting service with no ads
 - ▶ Source repository (SVN or Mercurial)
 - ▶ Discussion forums (via Google Groups)
 - ▶ User and developer groups
 - ▶ E-mail notification
 - ▶ Integrated wiki
 - ▶ File storage with deprecation support



Proposed Hosting: Google Code

▶ Advantages

- ▶ Simple, highly customizable interface
- ▶ Easy to maintain
 - ▶ No hosting required
 - ▶ Multiple access levels for community members
 - ▶ Wiki syntax used for page design
- ▶ Easy linking to repository – potentially useful for docs, files
- ▶ Direct integration of Blog feeds on home page (via Atom/RSS)
- ▶ Easy inclusion of outside resources



Proposed Hosting: Google Code

▶ Disadvantages

- ▶ License: Google does not accept NASA License
 - ▶ Leave code on SourceForge?
 - ▶ Change license for future versions?
 - ▶ Ask Google for an exception?
- ▶ Nonstandard wiki syntax – may cause migration problems
- ▶ No categorization in Google Groups
 - ▶ Create separate User and Developer groups





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Download

Source code and binaries may be downloaded from the [TRANSIMS SourceForge](#) site.

Learn

- [TRANSIMS Road Map](#) - A guide to TRANSIMS process flow, with links to specific components. Recommended for new users.
- [Documentation Index](#) (Version 4.0.6) - All documentation for the current version of TRANSIMS.
- [How-To Guides](#) - Tutorials for performing specific tasks in TRANSIMS.
- [Case Studies](#) - Information on real-life applications of TRANSIMS.

Support

- [TRANSIMS User Group](#) - For questions about setting up and using TRANSIMS.
- [TRANSIMS Developer Group](#) - For questions about contributing to or modifying TRANSIMS

Project News

[NEXTA second beta available!](#)

Oct 1, 2009

Xuesong Zhou at the University of Utah has made available the second beta release of NEXTA for TRANSIMS. NEXTA ...

[Site Changes](#)

Jun 15, 2009

Welcome to the new site! There were a lot of upgrades and changes behind the scenes, including a new hosting company. T...

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TRANSIMS Documentation Outline

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Setting up the model

Creating the Network

Programs: TransimsNet ([QR](#), [Full](#)), IntControl ([QR](#), [Full](#)), Progression ([QR](#)), GISNet ([QR](#)), Network Editor

Other references: [Installation and Testing How-To \(New\)](#), [Installation and Testing \(New\)](#), [Network Tables](#), [Highway Network How-To \(New\)](#), [Network Edit How-To](#), Version 3 Network Description, Network Editor Guide (Location?)

Creating the Trip Tables and Activity Locations

Programs: ConvertTrips ([QR](#), [Full](#)), SmoothData, SmoothPlans, LocationData ([QR](#))

Other references: [Highway Network How-To](#), [Trip Table-How To](#), Version 3 Network Description

Running the model

Using Python with TRANSIMS

Programs: Python, RunSetup ([QR](#)) References: GBNRTC Script (Location?)

Router Stabilization Phase

Programs: Router ([QR](#), [Full](#)), PlanPrep ([QR](#)), PlanSum ([QR](#)), PlanSelect ([QR](#)) References: [Router and Router Feedback How-To](#)



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Change Log: [changelog_4.0.5_to_4.0.6.1.pdf](#)

Program	Quick Reference	User Manual
ActGen	ActGen QR.pdf	ActGen v4.0.pdf
ActivityPattern	ActivityPattern QR.pdf	
AdjustPlans	AdjustPlans QR.pdf	
ArcDelay	ArcDelay QR.pdf	
ArcDiff	ArcDiff QR.pdf	
ArcNet	ArcNet QR.pdf	ArcNet v4.0.pdf
ArcPlan	ArcPlan QR.pdf	ArcPlan v4.0.pdf
ArcProblem	ArcProblem QR.pdf	
ArcRider	ArcRider QR.pdf	
ArcSnapshot	ArcSnapshot QR.pdf	
ConvertTrips	ConvertTrips QR.pdf	ConvertTrips v4.0.pdf
Emissions	Emissions QR.pdf	
EnhanceNet	EnhanceNet QR.pdf	
EventSum	EventSum QR.pdf	
GISNet	GISNet QR.pdf	
IntControl	IntControl QR.pdf	IntControl v2.2.pdf



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Tutorials for performing specific tasks in TRANSIMS

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TRANSIMS Case Studies

TRANSIMS Buffalo

In 2007-2009, the Volpe Center worked with the Greater Buffalo Niagara Regional Transportation Council to develop an integrated planning / simulation model of the Buffalo / Niagara Falls area. This was a track 1, trip-table based implementation of TRANSIMS that used the Router and subarea Microsimulation. The planning model encompasses the U.S. side of the entire region, while the subarea microsimulation component includes much more detailed modeling of the I-190 corridor, including the Lewiston-Queenston Bridge. Areas of investigation included border crossing delay, toll delay and the impact of increased truck traffic.

Scoping Study Presentation: <http://www.thetbwg.org/meetings/200610/ScottSmith.ppt>

Project Report: ..to be uploaded..

A second project

In **dates**, **who** did **what**. This was a **xxx** type of TRANSIMS implementation. Areas of investigation included **yyy**.

Project Report:

A third project



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More information may be found at <http://code.google.com/p/tsims-test3>
TRANSIMS may be downloaded from SourceForge: <http://sourceforge.net/projects/transims/>

This is the users discussion group. For developers, there is http://groups.google.com/group/transims_dev

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- ▶ Leave the code on Sourceforge or migrate to Google?
 - ▶ Issue: license restriction on Google
- ▶ Documentation. Two needs
 - ▶ Downloadable current copy (where should it reside?)
 - ▶ Wiki
- ▶ What goes on the front page
 - ▶ Download, Documentation, Discussion, News Feed
- ▶ Anything big missing?



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