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Advanced ENT and Allergy
2944 Breckenridge Lane
Louisville, KY

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INTRODUCTION

The development plan for the Advanced ENT & Allergy at 2944 Breckenridge Lane in Louisville, KY shows a medical office building with 25,459 square feet and a convenience store with 16 fueling locations. **Figure 1** displays a map of the site. Access to the site will be from Breckenridge Lane. The purpose of this study is to examine the traffic impacts of the development upon the adjacent highway system. For this study, the impact area was defined to be the intersections of Breckenridge Lane with Hillbrook Drive, Berkshire Avenue, Taylorsville Road, Hikes Lane, and the entrance to McMahan Plaza.



Figure 1. Site Map

EXISTING CONDITIONS

Breckenridge Lane (KY 1932) is a state maintained road with an estimated 2017 ADT of 30,000 vehicles per day between Taylorsville Road (KY 155) and I 264, as provided by a Kentucky Transportation Cabinet 2015 count at station 152. The road has four twelve-foot lanes, curb and gutter, and center turn lane. The speed limit is 35 mph. There are sidewalks. The intersections with Hillbrook Drive, Taylorsville Road, Hikes Lane and McMahan Plaza are controlled with a traffic signal. The intersection with Berkshire Avenue is controlled with a stop sign. Breckenridge Lane is served by TARC.

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A twelve-hour turning movement count was made at the intersection of Breckenridge Lane and Berkshire Avenue on December 13, 2016. The data for the other intersections were provided by Metro Traffic Engineering from 2009. Figure 2 illustrates the a.m. and p.m. peak hour traffic volumes.

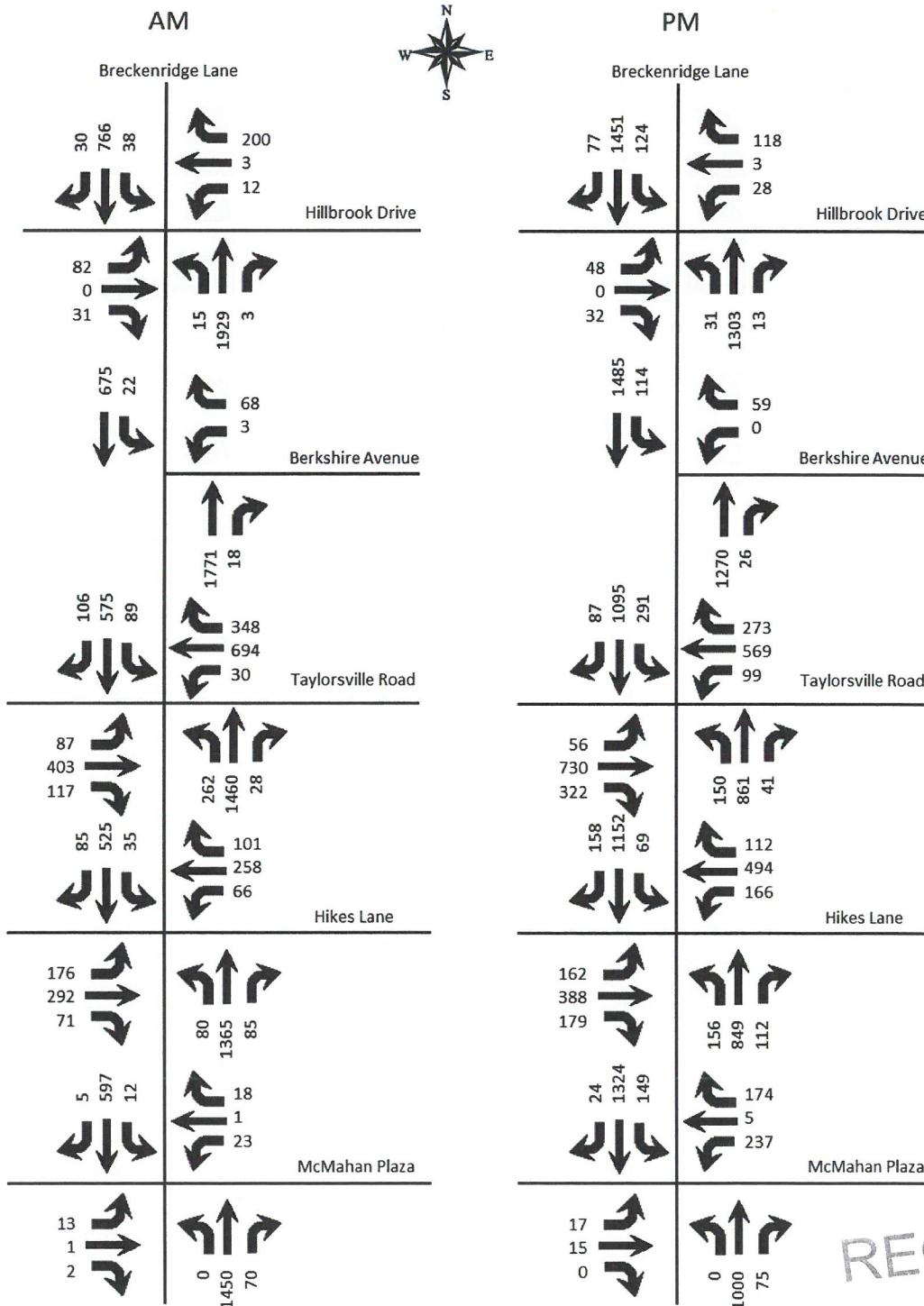


Figure 2. Existing Peak Hour Volumes

TRIP GENERATION

The Institute of Transportation Engineers Trip Generation Manual, 10th Edition contains trip generation rates for a wide range of developments. The land use of “Medical-Dental Office (720)” and “Super Convenience Market/Gas Station (960)” were reviewed and determined to be the best match. The trip generation results are listed in **Table 1**. Using the trip generation equation yields 520 a.m. peak hour trips and 455 p.m. peak hour trips. The trips were assigned to the highway network using the percentages shown in **Figure 3**.

Figure 4 shows the trips generated by this development and distributed throughout the road network during the peak hours. Pass-by trips are trips already on the road that choose to visit the site. They are assigned using the peak hour directional traffic. These trips are shown in parenthesis in Figure 4. **Figure 5** displays the individual turning movements for the peak hours when the development is completed.

Table 1. Peak Hour Trips Generated by Site

Land Use	A.M. Peak Hour			P.M. Peak Hour		
	Trips	In	Out	Trips	In	Out
Medical-Dental Office (25,459 sq. ft.)	71	55	16	88	25	63
Super Convenience Market/Gas (16 pumps)	449	225	224	367	184	183
TOTAL	520	280	240	455	209	246
Pass-by Trips for Super Convenience Market/Gas	278	139	139	206	103	103
New Trips	242	141	101	249	106	143

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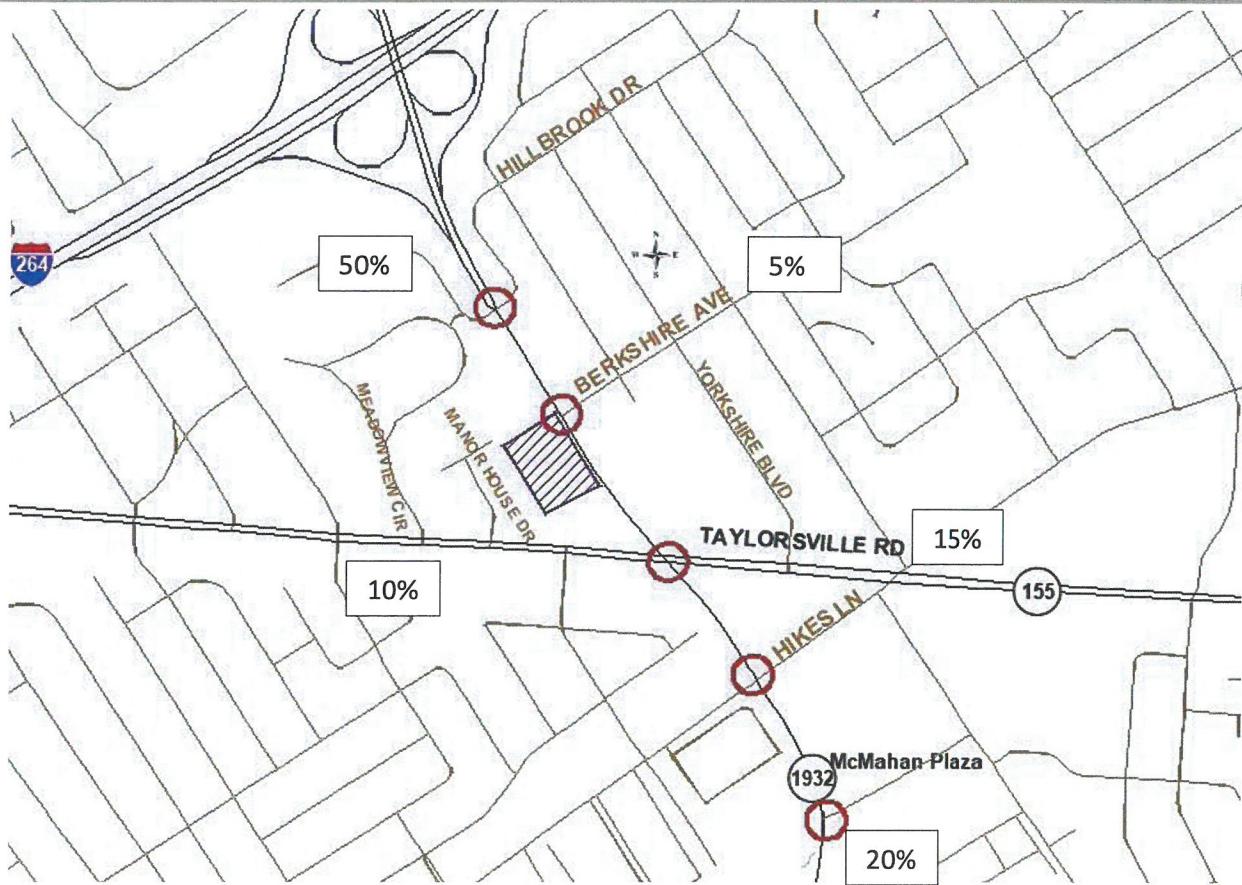


Figure 3. Trip Distribution Percentages

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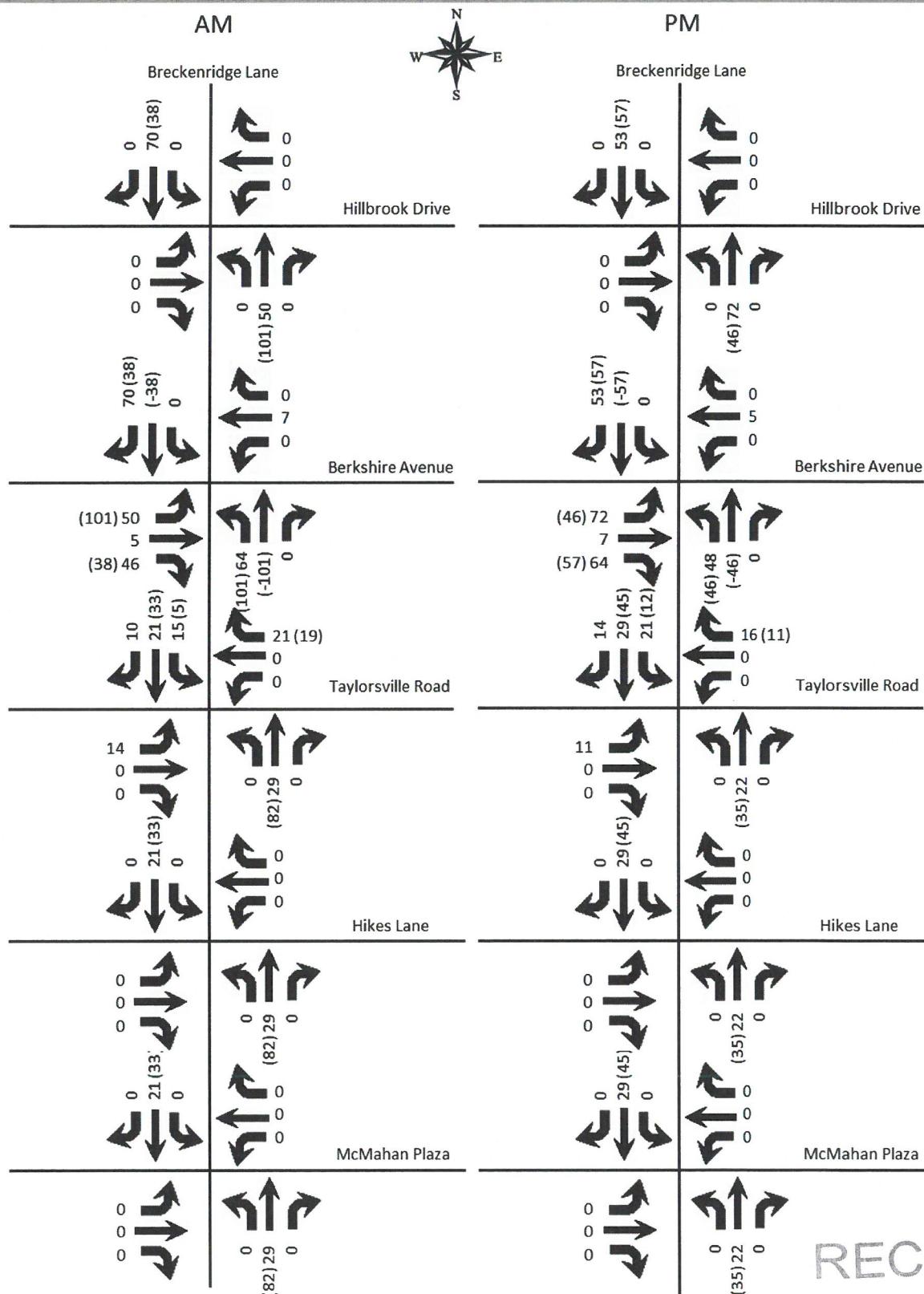


Figure 4. Peak Hour Trips Generated by Site

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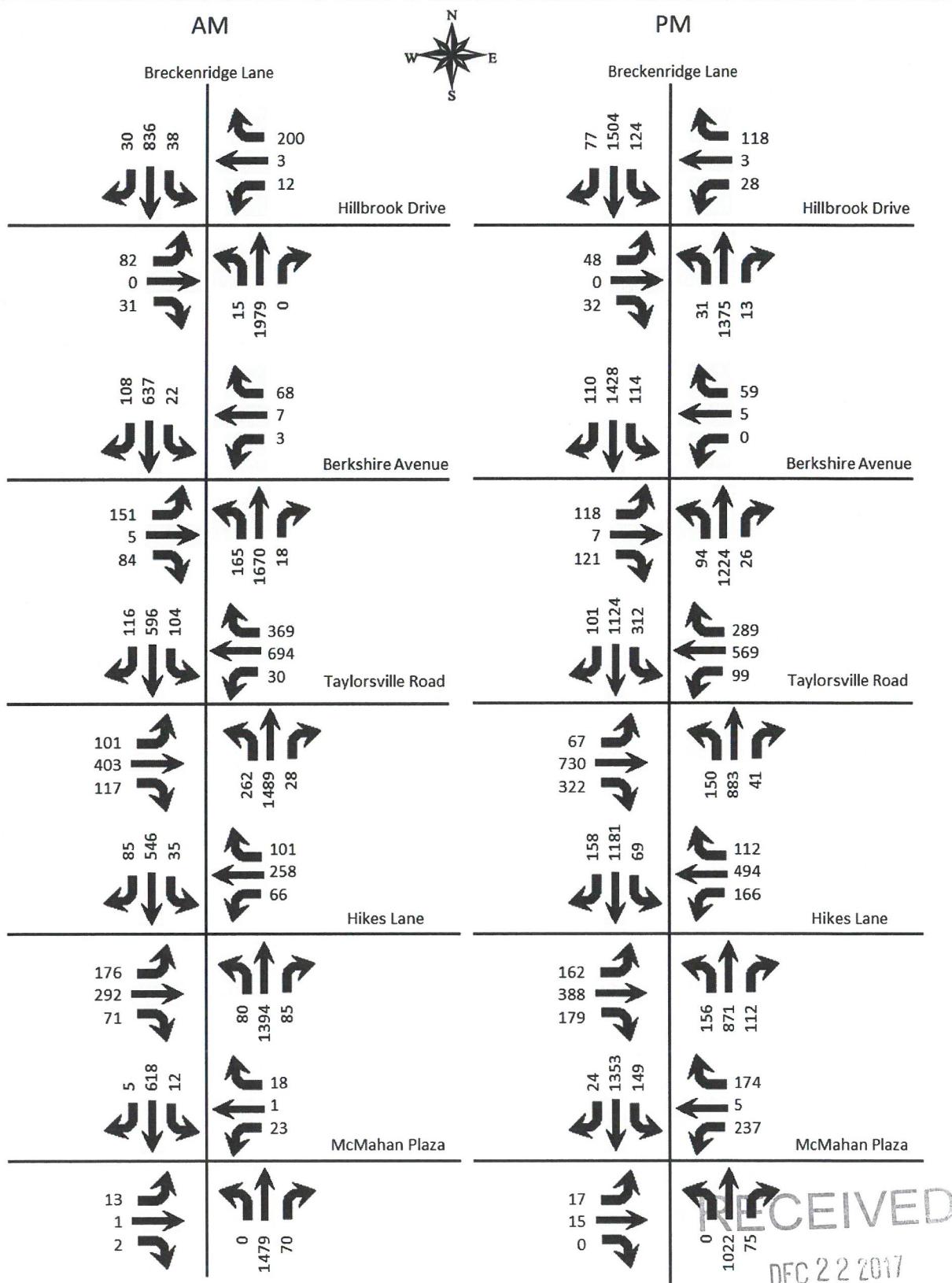


Figure 5. Build Peak Hour Trips

ANALYSIS

The qualitative measure of operation for a roadway facility or intersection is evaluated by assigning a "Level of Service". Level of Service is a ranking scale from A through F, "A" is the best operating condition and "F" is the worst. Level of Service results depend upon the facility that is analyzed. In this case, the Level of Service is based upon the total delay experienced at an intersection.

To evaluate the impact of the proposed development, the vehicle delays at the intersections were determined using procedures detailed in the Highway Capacity Manual, 6th edition. Future delays and Level of Service were determined for the intersections using Synchro (version 10.1) software. The delays and Level of Service are summarized in **Table 2**.

Table 2. Level of Service Results

Approach	A.M.		P.M.	
	2019 No Build	2019 Build	2019 No Build	2019 Build
Breckenridge Lane at Hillbrook Drive	D 42.9	C 23.8	C 34.0	C 20.7
Deebet Drive Eastbound	F 125.1	F 125.1	E 68.2	E 68.2
Hillbrook Drive Westbound	F 136.2	F 136.2	E 79.4	E 79.4
Breckenridge Lane Northbound	D 38.7	A 9.1	D 47.8	B 15.9
Breckenridge Lane Southbound	B 17.7	B 17.1	B 17.5	B 17.3
Breckenridge Lane at Berkshire Drive		B 13.3		B 17.6
Advanced ENT Eastbound	NA	E 77.0	NA	E 78.8
Berkshire Drive Westbound	C 23.2	E 69.3	C 15.8	E 69.6
Breckenridge Lane Northbound	NA	A 8.0	NA	B 14.0
Breckenridge Lane Southbound	C 17.1	A 0.6	B 14.3	A 9.5
Breckenridge Lane at Taylorsville Road	F 103.7	F 106.3	E 71.1	E 72.1
Taylorsville Road Eastbound	F 195.3	F 194.1	F 95.9	F 95.8
Taylorsville Road Westbound	F 87.8	F 93.8	D 49.8	D 53.1
Breckenridge Lane Northbound	E 59.0	E 65.0	E 71.4	E 73.2
Breckenridge Lane Southbound	E 63.1	E 60.4	E 65.4	E 65.4

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Approach	A.M.		P.M.	
	2019 No Build	2019 Build	2019 No Build	2019 Build
Breckenridge Lane at Hikes Lane	D 41.6	D 41.3	E 71.9	E 71.6
Hikes Lane Eastbound	F 114.1	F 114.1	F 111.6	F 111.6
Hikes Lane Westbound	F 89.8	F 89.8	F 115.1	F 115.1
Breckenridge Lane Northbound	A 5.0	A 5.0	B 12.9	B 12.6
Breckenridge Lane Southbound	D 36.3	D 36.4	E 74.4	E 75.3
Breckenridge Lane at McMahon Plaza	A 6.5	A 6.5	C 23.5	C 23.3
Casa Granada Eastbound	F 88.0	F 88.0	E 73.7	E 73.7
McMahon Plaza Westbound	F 86.9	F 86.9	E 74.8	E 74.8
Breckenridge Lane Northbound	A 4.6	A 4.7	C 22.9	C 23.2
Breckenridge Lane Southbound	A 3.7	A 3.6	A 8.5	A 8.3

Key: Level of Service, Delay in seconds per vehicle

The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet evaluates the need and length of auxiliary turn lanes using the Highway Design Guidance Manual dated March, 2017. For intersections with a traffic signal, the capacity analysis determines the requirement for a right turn lane. The analysis indicates a southbound right turn lane will not improve the operation of the approach.

The volume forecasted to exit the site is significant enough to evaluate the installation of a traffic signal at entrance opposite Berkshire Drive. The Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Device Warrants for installing a traffic signal were reviewed. The Institute of Transportation Engineers Trip Generation Manual, 10th Edition contains time of day trip distribution rates in Appendix A. Using the distribution percentages for "Super Convenience Market/Gas Station" and the hourly distribution of trips from Advanced ENT patient counts, there is sufficient minor street volume to meet Warrant 1A. The warrant spreadsheet is included in the Appendix.

CONCLUSIONS

Based upon the volume of traffic generated by the development there will be a minimal impact to the existing highway network. The current delays experienced at the intersections evaluated will increase within the acceptable limits. The development will generate sufficient volume of traffic to meet the warrant for the installation of a traffic signal at the proposed entrance opposite Berkshire Avenue.

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Traffic Signal Warrant Analysis

TRAFFIC SIGNAL WARRANT ANALYSIS

COUNTY	Jefferson	DATE	December 13, 2016	DAY OF WEEK	Tues						
CITY	Louisville	MILEPOST	3.066	NO. OF CORRECTIBLE CRASHES IN 12 MONTH PERIOD							
MAJOR STREET NAME	Breckenridge Lane			NO. OF MAJOR STREET APPROACH LANES 2							
MINOR STREET NAME	Berkshire Ave			NO. OF MINOR STREET APPROACH LANES 1							
POSTED SPEED LIMIT MAJOR STREET	35 MPH	POPULATION < 10,000		REDUCED WARRANTS BASED UPON							
POSTED SPEED LIMIT MINOR STREET	35 MPH	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO		<input type="checkbox"/> SPEED	<input type="checkbox"/> POPULATION						
TIME	MAJOR STREET TWO WAY VOLUME	MINOR STREET HIGHEST VOLUME APPROACH Are Side Street Rights Included? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Warrant 1 Condition A		Warrant 1 Condition B		Warrant 7 - CRASH EXPERIENCE (Warrant 1 Condition A or B 80% Satisfied) AND (5 or More Correctible Crashes in 12 Month Period)				
			Minimum Vehicular Volume		Interruption of Continuous Traffic		Warrant 1 Condition A - 80%		Warrant 1 Condition B - 80%		
			MAJOR	MINOR	MAJOR	MINOR	MAJOR	MINOR	MAJOR	MINOR	
			500 (1) 600 (2)	150 (1) 200 (2)	750 (1) 900 (2)	75 (1) 100 (2)	400 (1) 480 (2)	120 (1) 160 (2)	600 (1) 720 (2)	60 (1) 80 (2)	
			REDUCED WARRANTS (56% Reduction)								
			350 (1) 420 (2)	105 (1) 140 (2)	525 (1) 630 (2)	53 (1) 70 (2)	280 (1) 336 (2)	84 (1) 112 (2)	420 (1) 504 (2)	42 (1) 56 (2)	
			(1) = ONE LANE APPROACH (2) = TWO LANE APPROACH								
			7-8 am	2,379	169	X	X	X	X	X	X
			8-9 am	2,466	240	X	X	X	X	X	X
			9-10 am	2,031	200	X	X	X	X	X	X
10-11 am	2,123	189	X	X	X	X	X	X			
11-12 am	2,340	194	X	X	X	X	X	X			
12-1 pm	2,400	211	X	X	X	X	X	X			
1-2 pm	2,482	198	X	X	X	X	X	X			
2-3 pm	2,599	208	X	X	X	X	X	X			
3-4 pm	2,744	216	X	X	X	X	X	X			
4-5 pm	2,883	229	X	X	X	X	X	X			
5-6 pm	2,877	246	X	X	X	X	X	X			
6-7 pm	2,372	182	X	X	X	X	X	X			
NUMBER OF HOURS		12	12		12		12				
COMPLIANCE		YES	YES		NO						

The AM and PM peak hour trips generated on page 3 were used for 8-9 am and 5-6 pm.

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