





Bus Corridor Improvement Program Phase 1 Summary Report

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1 Introduction

DART bus service is a key component of the local and regional mobility network, linking residents to jobs, medical services, shopping, and education opportunities. It has the potential to play a larger role in supporting the mobility, land use, and economic objectives of DART Service Area cities. To fully realize the benefits of bus-based mobility, there is a need to invest in streets to enhance the role of transit and move buses and people more effectively.

To address this need, DART has developed a bus corridor improvement program, referred to as CORE (Corridor Optimization + Rider Experience). The CORE program provides the framework for collaboration with DART Service Area cities to promote transit priority within key bus corridors, enhance operational efficiency, and improve customer experience. DART provides three levels of bus service: Express, Shuttle, and Local, all of which are supplemented by GoLink microtransit. This report discusses the potential capital improvements along Local bus route corridors, with an initial focus on the most frequent 21 routes established in the DARTZoom bus network redesign effort.

Goals of the CORE program are highlighted in Figure 1-1:



Figure 1-1: CORE Program Goals

1.1 Local and Regional Benefits

By aligning DART and Service Area cities' goals and objectives for mobility to emphasize speed and reliability as a priority, CORE provides a responsive approach to enhancing bus service. Through the advancement of the CORE program and projects, DART and service area cities can make a real difference in the lives of DART riders, enhance communities, and address regional growth by:

- Enhancing the attractiveness and competitiveness of public transit as a mode of transportation, which can encourage more people to use it instead of driving alone.
- Reducing vehicle miles traveled (VMT) and greenhouse gas emissions by shifting trips from private cars to buses, which have lower per capita environmental impacts.
- Improving mobility and accessibility for all, but with an emphasis on transit-dependent individuals who rely on buses for their daily needs.





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• Supporting economic development and social equity by connecting people to jobs, education, health care, and other opportunities across the region.

1.2 DART Transit System Plan and Strategic Plan

DART's 2045 Transit System Plan (TSP) was adopted by the DART Board of Directors in January 2022. The 2045 TSP looks beyond day-to-day operations and focuses on opportunities that leverage the already extensive transit system through strategic improvements and investments to create a more accessible, sustainable, and resilient system. Plan opportunities are built around five key themes with associated goals and actions:

- 1. **Rider Experience** Focus on access, safety/security, customer information, and system enhancements to improve rider experience.
- 2. **Mobility and Innovation** Advance mobility through innovation, technology, and customer initiatives.
- 3. **Service and Expansion** Target service improvements and system expansion to support an equitable and sustainable network.
- 4. Land Use and Economic Development Integrate land use and transit planning to grow ridership and create transit-oriented development (TOD).
- 5. **Collaboration** Collaborate with public and private partners on transit supportive programs, policies, and projects.

The CORE program touches on each of these five themes, but the advancement of the CORE program is specifically related to Service and Expansion Goal 3 as shown below in **Figure 1-2**.

Figure 1-2: 2045 Transit System Plan Service & Expansion Goal 3

Service & Expansion

What	When	Timefr	ame		Who Responsible					
GOALS AND ACTIONS	ON- GOING	SHORT- TERM (1-5 yrs)	MID- TERM (6-10 yrs)	LONG- TERM (10+ yrs)	DART	DART CITIES*	AGENCY PARTNERS	PRIVATE		
GOAL 3: Promote transit priority within key bus corridors to enhance ope	rational e	fficiency a	nd increa	se ridersh	ip					
ACTION 3.1 Develop a Corridor Improvement Program for core frequent bus routes to document benefits and define capital investment needs										
ACTION 3.2 Work with Service Area cities to prioritize and implement infrastructure and signal improvements to enhance transit operations										
ACTION 3.3 Leverage funding opportunities through private and public sources										

DART is also in the process of developing a new Strategic Plan to guide priorities over the next 5 to 10 years. Two goals focused on the customer include Quality and Seamless. The CORE program is integral to advancing these goals by promoting quality service, improving reliability, and enhancing the total journey experience for customers.

1.3 Phased Approach

The CORE program is built around three primary phases illustrated in **Figure 1-3**. This report documents Phase 1. Within this initial phase, DART defined the CORE program goals, gathered, and documented best practices, determined methodology and criteria, and completed the initial phase of evaluation. Guidance





regarding the implementation approach, including monitoring performance and assessing outcomes is also discussed.

Figure 1-3: CORE Phased Approach



CORE Phase 1 focuses on DART's 21 most frequent Local service routes established in January 2022 through the DARTZoom Bus Network Redesign effort. **Table 1-1** lists the 21 routes that were analyzed as part of Phase 1, noting route length and weekday service frequency. These 21 routes are illustrated on **Figure 1-4** as the gold local routes with midday frequency of 15-20 minutes. The project team employed a data-driven approach to complete the corridor assessment, while sharing information, goals, and best practices with technical staff of DART Service Area cities. The process also included input from DART bus operators, Service Planning and Technology staff, benefitting from first-hand knowledge of operating conditions along bus routes. While only 21 routes were evaluated as part of Phase 1, the process can be applied to all Local routes across the service area.





Table 1-1: Study Corridors

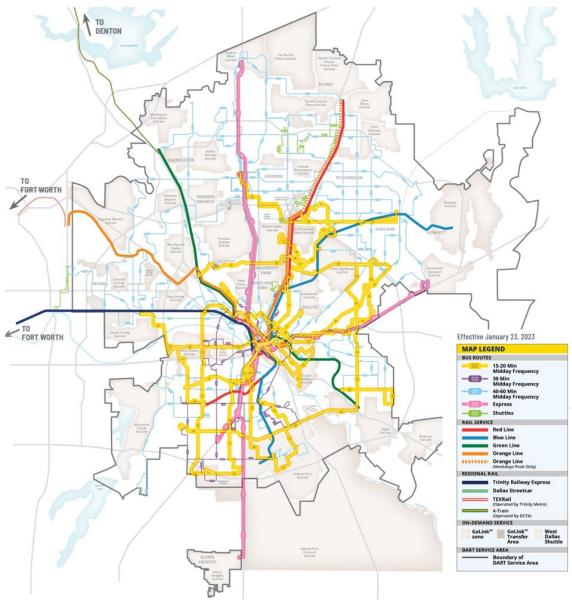
Route No.	Route Name	Route Length (Miles)	Weekday Service Frequency (Peak/Midday/Off Peak)
1	Malcolm X-Maple	8.7	15/15/30
3	Ross	6.5	15/15/30
5	Love Field Shuttle	2.1	15/15/30
9	Jefferson-Gaston	12.2	15/15/30
13	Ervay	8.7	15/20/20-30
15	Buckner	12.4	15/20/20-30
16	Ferguson	14.0	15/20/20-30
17	Skillman	14.6	15/20/20-30
18	Samuell	17.0	15/20/20-30
20	Northwest Highway	17.0	15/20/20-30
22	Forest Lane	15.4	15/20/20-30
23	Haskell	7.1	15/20/20
25	Cockrell Hill North	11.0	15/20/30
27	Ridgecrest	5.2	15/20/30
28	Singleton	8.2	15/20/30
30	Lake June	5.3	15/20/30
38	Ledbetter	15.4	15/20/20-30
41	Bonnie View	9.9	15/20/30
45	Marsalis	13.1	15/20/30
47	Polk	15.1	15/20/30
57	Westmoreland	17.5	15/20/20-30

Note: Route length represents one direction, not a round trip.





Figure 1-4: DART System Map



Source: DART

1.4 Report Organization

This summary report is organized into three chapters following this introduction. Chapter 2 documents the evaluation approach and methodology, including the best practices toolbox, criteria, data sources, and stakeholder input. Chapter 3 presents the corridor assessment findings and recommendations. The assessment is presented in a series of Route Assessment Profile maps. These route profiles provide an overview of the route, an evaluation of each route segment by direction, and illustrate opportunities for CORE toolbox applications along the route based on the evaluation.

Chapter 4 discusses next steps for Phase 2, which will further advance priority recommendations. Implementation strategies are also discussed.





2 Approach and Methodology

As described in Chapter 1, the goals of the CORE program are to:

- Enhance Speed and Reliability
- Improve Operational Safety
- Improve Access and Connectivity

Advancing these goals can help elevate the role of DART bus services in mobility network, promote transit priority and consideration of bus in city street or development projects, grow ridership, and move more people more efficiently.

The study approach and methodology considered these goals along with industry best practices and is described in the following sections.

2.1 Best Practices Toolbox

The study approach started with a review of industry best practices to leverage the experiences and lessons learned of cities and transit agencies in other metropolitan areas that are leading the way in enhancing their bus transit systems. This review helped DART to understand and organize the range of tools and actions that can help achieve program goals. This industry scan found a range of approaches with strong collaboration between the transit agency and cities being the most essential common ingredient.

The project team reviewed the following systems:

- King County Metro / Seattle
- Regional Transit District (RTD) / Denver
- Tri-Met / Portland
- Pace Suburban Bus / Chicago
- New York Metropolitan Transportation Authority (NYMTA) / New York City
- Charlotte Area Transit System (CATS) / Charlotte
- TransLink / Vancouver, BC

Although these agencies are not similar in size, they are on the leading edge of bus speed and reliability initiatives within the transit industry. Reports, guidelines, and other documentation were reviewed for potential application to the CORE program, and informed the development of the *Best Practices Toolbox* found in **Appendix A**.

The DART CORE Program *Best Practices Toolbox* organizes the various bus corridor improvement tools and strategies into four major areas as shown in **Figure 2-1**. Within each category, specific treatments or tools are identified and rated based on their ability to achieve program goals. The toolbox also notes considerations related to estimated level of coordination, the cost range, and whether the treatment is more appropriate for a spot level improvement, or application along a route segment or corridor. Each tool is described in terms of its typical application, expected benefits, and potential challenges. Examples are also included. While the toolbox documents the predominant tools recommended for this effort, there may be variations or other situation-specific treatments needed at some locations.

The draft toolbox was reviewed with DART Service Area city technical staff and provided for their review. As CORE is implemented the toolbox may be refined or updated based on local experience.





Figure 2-1: CORE Toolbox Categories



*Categories derived from King County Metro Transit Speed and Reliability Guidelines and Strategies, August 2021.

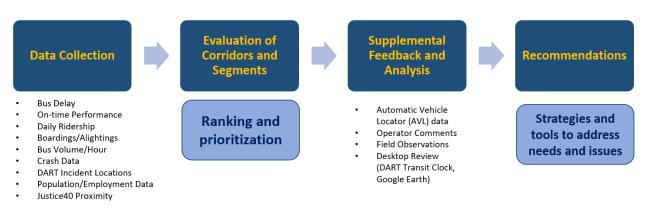
2.2 Evaluation Methodology

The Phase 1 effort focused on two key evaluation objectives:

- 1. Generate a prioritized ranking of bus route corridors and segments based on need, and
- 2. Develop recommendations for tools along each corridor to address identified issues.

The first objective makes use of a comprehensive set of evaluation criteria to score segments within each corridor and develop a corridor-level summary rating. The second objective used supplemental data and feedback to develop recommendations for tools that could address, resolve, eliminate, or mitigate operational issues. **Figure 2-2** illustrates the process, which is further described in the following sections.









2.2.1 Corridor and Segment Evaluation

With potentially hundreds of locations across the 21 bus routes that could benefit from CORE improvements, the task of scoring and ranking the different bus corridors and route segments was important to understand the level of need. The process included the development of criteria, data collection, and metrics to form the basis of the evaluation and scoring. Because this corridor assessment is a high-level analysis, more detailed work in Phase 2 is necessary to further define each potential project. This will need to be done in collaboration with city staff to determine constructability, challenges, and opportunities to combine bus corridor or access improvements with other planned city improvements – all of which may shift the order of implementation.

In this initial phase, each of the frequent service routes underwent an analysis using a set of criteria and metrics both at the full route level and at the segment level. Each route was split into segments to better understand locations of need and deficiency. Typically, these segments were defined at pre-existing time points established for DART's bus schedules.

Based on the program goals, the criteria summarized in **Table 2-1** were used for screening the routes and segments. A description of each of the criteria and associated metric(s) follows. The evaluation approach was set up such that higher scores indicate a greater need for CORE program investments.

Evaluation criteria were developed and weighted based on significance of impact and potential for highest level of benefit. Criteria given higher weights include criteria with the highest level of travel time delays impacting transit performance, and criteria with the highest degree of benefit (i.e., highest transit ridership and transit trip volume). The primary focus of each criterion is described below.

- **Transit Performance (50%)** focused on areas that experience the greatest degree of delay and variability of travel time delays.
- **Transit Intensity & Ridership (30%)** focused on impact significance or how many riders and bus trips (intensity) are impacted by travel delays.
- **Population & Employment Density (10%)** focused on the significance or volume of community-based impacts resulting from travel delays (includes riders and non-riders).
- Safety (5%) focused on areas with the highest number of injuries.
- Equity / Ridership Profile (5%) focused on the degree in which disadvantaged communities are impacted by travel delays.





Table 2-1: Evaluation Criteria

Criteria	Weight	Metric	Scoring	Max Score
Transit	25%	Bus Delay (ratio of weekday avg. bus speed to speed limit in segment)	Quintile Scoring Relative to Peers (Higher delay% = more points)	25
performance (50%)	25%	Travel time variance- (10th percentile divided by 90th percentile) by Route	Quintile Scoring Relative to Peers (Higher variance = more points)	25
Transit	10%	Avg. Bus Volume/Hr. (weekday)	Quintile Scoring Relative to Peers; where higher volumes = more points	10
intensity & ridership (30%)	10%	Average Daily Ridership (Boarding only) in segment	Quintile; where higher ridership = more points	10
(30%)	10%	Maximum Average Passenger Load in segment	Quintile; where higher load = more points	10
Pop/Emp Density (10%)	10%	Combined existing population and employment through NCTCOG traffic area zones (TAZ) w/in ¼ mile buffer of segment	Quintile scoring Relative to Peers (top quantile=10 to lowest quantile=0) (TAZ with the largest overlap)	10
Safety (5%)	5%	Segment Overlap Percentage on High Injury Network (HIN)	Segment overlap percentage x 5	5
Equity/ Ridership 5% Profile (5%)		Justice40 Census Tract Proximity	Segment fully in Justice40 tracts = 5 Partially in Justice40 tracts = 3 w/in ¼ mile of Justice40 tracts = 2 Beyond ¼ mile = 0	5
Summary Score	100%			100

A more detailed description of the criteria and metrics follows:

- **Transit Performance**: This criterion is scored based on a combination of two metrics. First, bus delay, which is at the heart of the CORE program, is measured by comparing average bus speeds relative to the speed limit within each segment. This provides an indication of the ability of the route to operate at similar speeds as automobile traffic. Second is travel time variance which can have major effects on DART's route scheduling and route efficiency as a route with highly variable travel times will generally require additional layover and recovery time to provide 'just in case' time for the route to recover when trips are especially delayed. Using the CORE tools to reduce run time variability is a key to maximizing the benefit of such investments.
- **Transit Intensity and Ridership**: Three metrics comprise this criterion. Average bus volume is simply the number of buses passing through a route segment each hour (note this measure includes all routes using the segment). Average daily ridership is gathered from the bus stops along each segment and consists of average boardings to provide an indication of passenger activity originating within the segment. Third, to also factor in riders passing through the segment without boarding or alighting, the average passenger load or number of passengers on an average bus trip is factored into the scoring. (October 2022 data)
- **Population and Employment Density**: This criterion is used because the relative density of population and employment represents the potential transit market that may benefit from CORE projects that improve transit service quality. It is derived using 2023 traffic analysis zone (TAZ) data for those areas within ¼ mile of the segment.





- Safety: Many of the CORE tools in the Best Practices Toolbox can enhance safety for all users within a segment by improving the pedestrian environment, better separating bus movements from general traffic, and by facilitating a mode switch from automobile travel to safer modes such as public transportation. In this case, segments were scored higher based on the degree of overlap with roadway sections that are identified as having high incidences of crashes and injuries.
- Equity and Ridership Profile: To take into consideration those riders more likely to be reliant on public transportation and to better align with priorities of the Federal Transit Administration that can affect DART's ability to secure federal grant funding, the fifth criterion accounts for equity considerations and ridership profiles by scoring the proximity of each route segment to Justice40¹ Census Tracts.

Each of the corridors and corridor segments are evaluated relative to each other to develop a prioritized list that can help to inform which of the locations may show higher need for improvement. Each segment received a score for each of the metrics, which was aggregated into a total index score for the route or segment by normalizing the score for each segment by its length.

¹ Justice40 initiative. U.S. Department of Transportation. https://www.transportation.gov/equity-Justice40





2.2.2 Supplemental Analysis and Feedback

The corridor and segment evaluation provided a high-level analysis of potential need and indicator of potential tools to apply within a segment. Another step in the evaluation process was to take the results of the corridor and segment evaluation and apply supplemental feedback and data review to identify and recommend the most appropriate CORE tools. This process made use of additional detailed operational data, bus operator input, field review, and study team discussions based on professional judgement. A description of these activities is summarized below.

Operational Data Assessment

Operational data and feedback focused on using DART Automatic Vehicle Location (AVL) data and getting bus operator feedback. AVL data is a highly detailed, granular dataset about each route that is used to develop Heat Maps and Speed Maps, both of which can help to isolate the causes for delay.

Heat Maps

With both time and location, average speeds across the entire network can be displayed on a heat map and offer a visual story of transit activity along each route across the entire service span. **Appendix B** contains a two heat maps for each route, one for each direction of service. The data used for Phase 1 was for one month (February 2023).

Speed Map/DART Transit Clock

This in-house DART software application also makes use of real-time and historic AVL data, and can provide information pertaining to real-time vehicle location, schedule adherence/on-time performance and run times. For the purposes of this effort, speed maps were produced for a limited set of routes to spot check potential issues. Parameters such as day(s) of the week, time of day, speed, and more can be adjusted to provide meaningful data.

Bus Operator Feedback

Bus operators are most familiar with the operating environment throughout the day and can provide valuable insight into issues along routes. Through the DART Route Monitoring Task Force, one-on-one discussion, and on-site division surveys, operator and supervisor feedback provides a valuable cross-check for comparison with the data.

As preliminary findings were being developed, DART staff conducted on-site surveys at DART's three bus operating divisions, including:

- South Oak Cliff (June 7, 2023)
- East Dallas (June 13, 2023)
- Northwest (June 14, 2023)

The surveys were designed to gather details regarding locations along frequent service routes where bus operators experience recurring delays, have safety issues or other concerns that could potentially be addressed by the CORE program. Approximately 80 comments were received through this process, a majority of which related to the frequent service routes in this study, and several related to other routes. Those relevant to this effort are included as **Appendix C**. A summary of key comments and issues is provided below:

• Delay-related issues made up 72% of the comments including issues related to traffic signals





(25%), bus stop locations (18%), and other issues such as construction, schedules, fare collections, and routing (29%).

- Safety-specific issues made up 4% of comments, mostly related to street maintenance (lane striping, potholes, landscape encroachment).
- Combined Delay/Safety related issues were 24%, largely split between roadway geometry issues or on-street parking constraints.

The two predominant delay issues mentioned by bus operators were at traffic stops and at bus stops. The most frequent issues at traffic stops were:

- Stop Signs Most frequent routes operate on long stretches without turns. In a few instances, routes operate for a short stretch on minor roadways where stop signs force stops but where cross-traffic is not required to stop. This isn't an issue in off-peak periods when cross-traffic is light but during peak periods cross-traffic leaves few gaps for buses to accelerate and safely complete a left-turn or continue ahead.
- **Unprotected left-turn signal:** At multiple locations, operators make left-turns at signalized intersections that don't include a protected left-turn phase. In some instances, insufficient green time is available for queued left-turning vehicles to get through within a single signal cycle.
- **Insufficient green time on protected left-turn phase:** At a few locations where signalized intersections do include protected left-turn phases, there is insufficient green time for the left-turn signal phase for vehicles to get through the intersection within a single signal cycle.

For bus stop related delays, comments pertained primarily to the location of a bus stop too close to an intersection where a left-turn is required, creating challenges for operators to weave across other lanes to reach the left-turn lane. Operators also noted areas with an excessive number of bus stops within a short distance.

Other issues related to both delay and operational safety include roadway geometry and on-street parking. Right-turn movement constraints include instances where the intersection is less than 90 degrees for the turning movement, a tight corner radius, and narrow travel lanes. On-street parking, either parallel parking on narrow roadways or angle parking on major thoroughfares, can also impair smooth and efficient bus operations.

Fieldwork and Team Review

To augment the data-driven component of the CORE program, the project team also used a combination of field work and virtual field work using Google Earth to review each route in detail and develop recommendations regarding the application of bus speed and reliability and related transit improvements. This effort, conducted on a route and segment level, brought together the performance metrics and observations regarding right-of-way, land use, intersections, but stop locations and other parameters to develop specific recommendations for corridor, spot, and active transit zone locations (such as transit centers or rail stations) across the frequent route network.

The study team also held in person and virtual review meetings with other DART departments through the process, including Service Planning and Scheduling, Bus Operations, and Information Technology.





2.3 External Stakeholder Engagement

Service Area City Engagement

To build awareness of and support for the CORE program, DART introduced the initiative at a series of Service Area City staff meetings between March 15 and March 30, 2023. These meetings were premeetings for the subsequent Area Plan effort which included a tour and meeting at each City. The Area Plan development process will be important in working with cities to advance CORE improvements. DART also held a virtual "lunch and learn" session with Service Area city transportation and planning staff on May 9, 2023 to discuss the study approach, evaluation criteria and review the draft Best Practices Toolbox document.

Public Input

Customer input, gathered from DART's numerous Mobility Plus Community Meetings during the months of March and April 2023, is another important consideration to inform Phase 1 and Phase 2 of this effort. Input varied from evaluation criteria to consider, issues along bus trips, and recommendations for bus-related roadway improvements and service adjustments. The CORE effort can also draw from the extensive public outreach effort completed for DART Zoom to identify CORE related issues and concerns for application.





3 Corridor Assessment and Findings

This chapter presents the results of the analysis using the methodology described in Chapter 2. Evaluation results are presented at the corridor and the segment level and represented in a series of maps for each route that document recommended toolbox strategies to address identified issues. **Appendix D** contains the Route Evaluation and Toolbox Recommendations summaries for each route.

The evaluation covered a total of 246 route segments across the 21 frequent Local routes described in **Table 3-1**. With eight metrics on each of these segments, that resulted in more than 2,000 data points overall. Given the complexity of this analysis, there are several ways to dissect the data to glean the most relevant findings. The following sections highlight key findings that can help guide DART in terms of prioritizing locations for Phase 2 of this study and advancing the process towards funding and implementation.

3.1 Corridor Level Evaluation

Table 3-1 presents the corridor level results and summary score for each route based on points for each of the eight metrics. As described in Chapter 2, the evaluation weighted transit performance along with transit intensity and ridership more heavily to identify those areas that would benefit most from speed and reliability improvements. Scores are also based on position relative to other peer routes.

The corridor level score serves as an indicator that the route would benefit from a comprehensive set of CORE treatments along most of or the entire corridor. This is especially true of longer routes where there is a greater potential for travel time savings for riders, as well as for segments where multiple routes operate. Those routes scoring in the top 10 and with a route length over 10 miles include:

- Route 20 Northwest Highway (17 miles)
- Route 9 Jefferson-Gaston (12.2 miles via downtown Dallas)
- Route 57 Westmoreland (17.5 miles)
- Route 38 Ledbetter (15.4 miles)
- Route 15 Buckner (12.4 miles)
- Route 16 Ferguson (14 miles; 4.5 miles via freeway)

Four of these routes (20, 57, 38, 15) generally form an inner loop within Dallas with three of them using the Loop 12 corridor. These routes not only provide crosstown service but also important connections to the radial light rail network, allowing passengers to continue trips to other points in the DART Service Area. Route 16 Ferguson provides a direct connection to downtown Dallas from the South Garland Transit Center and uses IH 30 for a limited stop section. Route 9, while more than 12 miles long, operates a short non-stop segment along Jefferson Viaduct and connects through downtown Dallas, effectively functioning as two shorter routes. Further analysis in Phase 2 will be done with recent on-board rider survey data to understand average trip length, major transfer activity, and key origin-destination pairs along the corridors.

Route 23 also scored high across all metrics. While this is a shorter route at 7.1 miles, it does not operate through downtown and provides a critical link to major employment and activity centers like UTSW Medical District (connecting to the Green/Orange lines), Oak Lawn, West Village (connecting the M-Line Trolley and Red/Orange/Blue lines at CityPlace/Uptown Station), Baylor Medical Center, and Fair Park (Green Line).





Other routes in the top 10 include Route 1 Malcolm X-Ross (8.7 miles), Route 5 Love Field Shuttle (2.1 miles), and Route 27 Ridgecrest (5.2 miles). The Love Field Shuttle had the highest score but is only two miles long with one segment in each direction. This shuttle has limited opportunities to enhance travel time given the short distance and would require close coordination with the Love Field Airport as about half of the route operates on airport property. Other opportunities to enhance the bus stops, signage and wayfinding are being explored to promote its use. Route 1 links areas of south Dallas to Baylor Medical Center, downtown Dallas, Uptown, Oak Lawn and UTSW Medical District. Route 27 largely serves as more of a meandering feeder route linking neighborhoods in northeast Dallas to the Walnut Hill and Park Lanes stations.

These three routes, along with others outside of the top 10 may be more suited to segment or spot level improvements. One exception not listed in the top 10 is Route 22 Forest Lane. This crosstown route is long at 15.4 miles, and connects Downtown Garland Station to Addison Transit Center, using a long stretch of Forest Lane for much of the route through a densely populated area. Future service improvements being considered for this corridor as part of the Bus Network Redesign Phase 2 include the addition of another route that would branch off near Medical City to continue west toward Irving. This would effectively double frequency along a section of Forest Lane, increasing the need for a corridor level investment.





Table 3-1: Route Summary Scores

		Cı	riteria		ansit ormance	Transit I	ntensity & I	Ridership	Pop/Emp Density	Safety	Equity	Total
No.	Route	N	Netric	Bus Delay	Travel Time Variance	Bus Volume	Daily Ridership	Passenger Load	Combined Density	High Injury Network	Justice 40 Proximity	Score
		Point	s Possible	25	25	10	10	10	10	5	5	100
		Length (Miles)	Number of Segments									
5	Love Field Shuttle	2.1	2	15.5	21.7	4.6	3.6	4.0	6.9	1.9	3.0	61.3
23	Haskell	7.1	10	19.8	11.2	6.3	3.1	5.8	6.8	2.8	2.8	58.7
20	Northwest Highway	17.0	14	13.7	15.2	5.7	6.3	5.3	5.9	3.4	1.9	57.4
9	Jefferson-Gaston	12.2	12	13.5	8.7	7.4	5.9	8.1	7.6	2.7	3.3	57.2
57	Westmoreland	17.5	16	11.2	11.2	6.7	8.1	5.1	5.3	3.9	4.8	56.3
38	Ledbetter	15.4	14	11.7	14.1	7.6	5.1	4.5	3.1	3.6	5.0	54.7
1	Malcolm X-Maple	8.7	14	12.6	14.2	4.0	3.3	7.4	5.7	3.7	3.6	54.3
15	Buckner	12.4	12	11.2	12.7	5.9	6.3	4.9	4.3	3.1	4.1	52.6
16	Ferguson	14.0	14	8.3	15.3	5.0	7.7	3.7	6.0	2.6	2.9	51.6
27	Ridgecrest	5.2	6	14.1	9.0	7.0	4.2	4.5	7.6	1.2	3.3	50.9
3	Ross	6.5	10	12.3	10.7	4.8	2.2	7.3	7.2	3.1	1.9	49.5
17	Skillman	14.6	16	10.7	12.9	5.7	4.1	5.0	6.6	1.2	2.6	49.0
13	Ervay	8.7	10	12.4	10.7	5.4	4.7	3.5	3.9	2.6	4.6	47.9
22	Forest Lane	15.4	12	13.2	7.0	6.9	6.4	2.1	7.7	1.6	2.8	47.8
25	Cockrell Hill North	11.0	10	9.1	11.7	5.5	5.0	6.2	4.1	0.9	5.0	47.6
18	Samuell	17.0	24	13.3	11.1	3.5	6.3	2.5	4.4	2.4	3.7	47.2
28	Singleton	8.2	12	9.4	13.7	3.7	4.6	3.2	4.3	1.2	3.8	43.9
30	Lake June	5.3	6	9.3	11.1	3.6	4.6	5.5	2.7	1.6	5.0	43.4
47	Polk	15.1	14	9.3	8.0	5.0	5.0	3.5	5.7	1.9	3.7	42.1
45	Marsalis	13.1	12	8.5	9.7	4.3	2.5	5.2	4.9	1.2	4.0	40.3
41	Bonnie View	9.9	10	8.0	5.6	4.2	3.6	3.3	1.8	2.2	5.0	33.6



3.2 Segment-Level Evaluation

Each route is made up of segments that were subject to the evaluation and combined to create the corridor-level scores discussed in **Section 3.1**. Segment limits are defined by established schedule timepoints along the route, and account for variances in approaches to signalized intersections, turning movements, stop locations and other factors that may differ based on direction. A total of 123 segments across the 21 routes were evaluated, for a total 246 total directional segments.

Using the evaluation methodology, a detailed matrix was developed with each segment receiving scores for the eight metrics as well as a total score similar to the corridors. At a segment level, scores are more precise given the shorter length and resulted in a wider range from high to low. The highest scoring segment within the 100-point scale was 89 for a segment of Route 16 Ferguson in downtown Dallas, to a low of 20 for a portion of Route 41 Bonnie View. The top quintile of segments ranged from 65 to 89 points. Of these 48 segments, about 40% are within the Dallas Central Business District (CBD), highlighting the need for speed and reliability improvements within downtown Dallas along major bus corridors and around the West and East Transfer Centers. CBD focused improvements can benefit multiple routes that operate within common corridors.

Table 3-2 presents the top 20 segment scores outside of the CBD. As shown, the majority of these are associated with routes scoring in the top 10 at a corridor-level. In addition, nearly all of the segments have an end point at a transit facility, either a bus facility or a rail station. **Figure 3-1** gives a sense of the overall location and ranking of segments across the frequent bus route network, with red, orange and yellow locations indicating a higher level of need.

One overarching finding based on the segment scores and a corresponding review of the heat maps in **Appendix B** is that the network experiences consistent delay at high-volume intersections such as where arterials cross other highways, and in and around DART off-street passenger facilities where speeds are slower due to a higher number of turn movements or intersections to access the facilities, along with the internal circulation through a facility.





Table 3-2: Top 20 Segments Outside of CBD

	. e					Transit	Perform	ance	Tra Inten Ride	sity &	Pop/ Emp	Safety	Equity	
Route No.	Route Name	Direction	Segment Start	Segment End	Length	Bus Delay	Travel Time Variance	Bus Volume	Daily Ridership	Passenger Load	Combined Density	High Injury Network	Justice 40 Proximity	Total Score
					Miles	25	25	10	10	10	10	5	5	100
57	Westmoreland	SB	Parkland Station	Mockingbird/Harry Hines	1.5	24.6	23.4	9.9	9.0	8.5	6.3	1.5	0.0	83.2
20	Northwest Hwy	WB	Skillman/Larmanda	Park Lane Station	1.6	21.1	20.6	8.7	8.5	7.7	7.6	2.5	5.0	81.8
9	Jefferson-Gaston	EB	Cockrell Hill PTL	Jefferson/Hampton	2.3	22.3	21.0	9.5	4.6	8.2	5.5	4.2	5.0	80.4
1	Malcolm X-Maple	SB	Parkland Station	Maple/Wycliff	1.1	23.3	23.0	9.3	4.3	9.5	4.9	1.7	3.0	78.9
17	Skillman	NB	Southwestern/ Amesbury	Skillman/Abrams	1.7	21.4	20.1	6.1	4.8	8.3	7.2	4.3	5.0	77.2
27	Ridgecrest	SB	Ridgecrest/Park Ln	Park Ln Station	2.2	22.4	21.3	7.2	5.2	6.6	7.8	0.0	5.0	75.7
23	Haskell	SB	Parkland Station	Lemmon/Oak Lawn	2.2	22.0	19.6	9.1	2.3	9.3	7.9	4.9	0.0	75.1
18	Samuell	WB	South Garland TC	Centerville/Shiloh	1.9	23.9	24.3	8.2	1.9	8.4	3.7	1.8	3.0	75.1
57	Westmoreland	NB	Westmoreland Station	Westmoreland/Davis	2.4	21.2	15.7	8.9	8.9	6.9	5.7	3.8	3.0	74.1
15	Buckner	NB	Buckner Station	Buckner/Lake June	1.3	23.4	22.2	9.6	7.3	6.7	0.9	0.9	3.0	73.9
23	Haskell	NB	MLK Station	Parry/First	0.8	24.5	23.3	7.0	0.7	8.7	0.3	4.0	5.0	73.5
17	Skillman	NB	SMU/Mockingbird Station	Southwestern/ Amesbury	2.3	19.9	20.7	8.8	4.8	6.6	8.2	3.5	0.0	72.6
16	Ferguson	EB	Woodmeadow/ Ferguson	South Garland TC	2.3	22.1	23.7	3.5	1.5	6.5	5.3	4.4	5.0	72.0
17	Skillman	SB	Southwestern/ Amesbury	SMU/Mockingbird Station	2.0	21.3	22.9	2.0	3.1	6.1	8.0	3.1	5.0	71.5
20	Northwest Hwy	EB	NW Hwy/Plano	South Garland TC	2.5	17.0	24.8	1.2	6.5	9.1	4.8	4.9	3.0	71.3
16	Ferguson	WB	South Garland TC	Woodmeadow/ Ferguson	2.3	21.7	20.4	9.0	1.1	8.1	5.4	2.4	3.0	71.3
20	Northwest Hwy	WB	South Garland TC	NW Hwy/Plano	2.4	15.0	22.4	6.3	7.8	8.7	4.7	2.6	3.0	70.6
9	Jefferson-Gaston	WB	Gaston/Paulus	Gaston/Peak	1.7	16.0	21.6	9.4	5.4	7.0	5.9	0.0	5.0	70.3



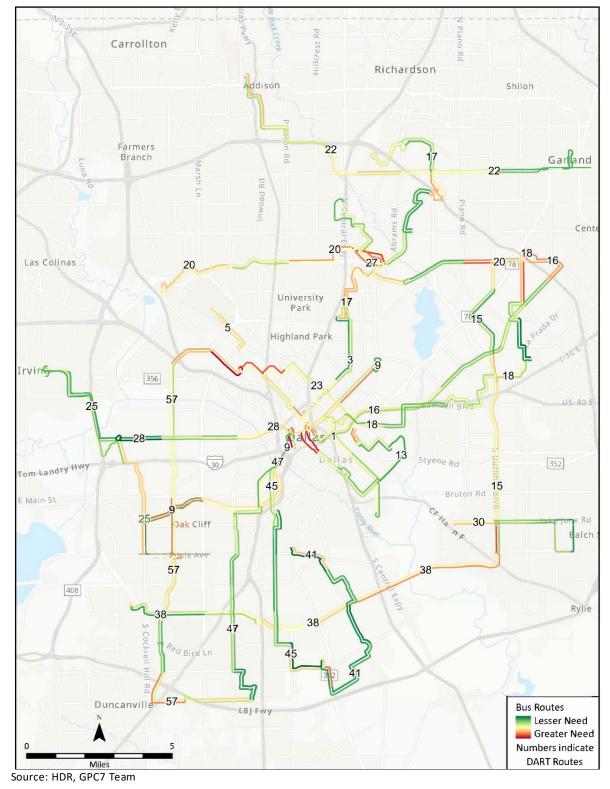


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					Miles	25	25	10	10	10	10	5	5	100
41	Bonnie View	NB	Camp Wisdom Station	Lancaster/Plaza	1.2	24.1	24.0	7.3	2.3	9.0	0.1	0.4	3.0	70.2
17	Skillman	NB	LBJ Skillman Station	Audelia/Forest	1.0	20.3	19.0	6.8	7.4	4.3	6.1	2.2	3.0	69.2

NOTE: Gray shading indicates segment is located on a route that scored in Top 10.













3.3 Toolbox Recommendations

The initial tools and strategies recommended for each route took into consideration the corridor-level evaluation, more detailed segment-level scores, and supplemental and location specific analysis such as heat maps, field review, and bus operator feedback. **Appendix D** contains the Route Evaluation and Toolbox Recommendations summaries for each route.

These recommendations are represented in a series of maps for each route that document recommended toolbox strategies to address identified issues. The route maps consist of three parts:

- A route overview and profile map
- A route and segment evaluation summary
- Map(s) illustrating the type and location of recommended CORE tools along the route.

Figure 3-2a through Figure 3-4c show an example for Route 22, noting the content of each part and how to read the information. Recommendations for each route will be further developed during Phase 2 of the CORE effort in collaboration with City staff.

3.4 System Level Observations and Recommendations

This Phase 1 effort along with field observations also resulted in high level recommendations applicable to the entire system. These include:

- 1. Bus stop consolidation and amenities enhancements
- 2. Transit Signal Priority (TSP) as a baseline element for all frequent Local routes
- 3. Downtown Dallas bus corridors as a priority for CORE improvements
- 4. Level of service improvements

These system level recommendations are further described below along with anticipated outcomes. Further evaluation of these recommendations could result in changes to the DART Service Standards as well.

3.4.1 Bus Stop Consolidation and Enhancement

There are a substantial number of bus stops that should be evaluated for:

- ADA compliance, and modified where feasible
- Opportunities for improved access to the stops from nearby origins and destinations
- Amenities enhancements beyond a basic pole and sign blade
- Potential relocations of stops that are away from signalized intersections or located mid-block where pedestrian crosswalks are not available
- Consolidation in cases where 7 or more bus stops per mile are provided, especially on the frequent route network

Focusing on access points to the system and the customer experience at the bus stop level can result in enhanced customer safety and comfort, consistency with DART Service Standards, and improved accessibility for all to transit.





Figure 3-2a: Route Overview/Profile Example (Route 22 – Forest Lane)



Route Overview/Profile: The first part of the Route Evaluation and Toolbox Recommendation summary contains a basic route overview showing the route termini, weekday peak and midday service frequencies, average daily boardings, intersecting routes (bus, rail), key destinations and major transit facilities along the route, as well as a graphical depiction of daily boardings by stop along the route.

In this example, high boarding locations are at major transit facilities, but also for a segment along Forest Lane between Greenville Avenue and Plano Road.





Figure 3-3b: Route and Segment Evaluation Summary Example (Route 22 – Forest Lane)

Route 22 - Forest Lane

Performance Measure	Route Total Score
Transit Delay Amount of delay buses experience compared to the posted speed limit	нісн
Travel Time Variance High score indicates high variability in travel times along the route	MEDIUM
Bus Volume Average number of vehicles per hour on weekdays	LOW
Average Ridership Average daily stop-level boardings in each direction	HIGH
Max Passenger Load Average maximum passenger load along the route	HIGH
Existing Population and Employment Amount of residents and jobs within 1/4 mile of the route	VERY HIGH
Satety Percentage of the route located within the Dallas High Injury Network	MEDIUM
Equity/Ridership Profile Route proximity to Justice40 Census tracts	MEDIUM

SCORES BY SEGMENT

Route and Segment Evaluation

Summary: The second part of the summary contains multiple pieces of information, including: 1) At the top, the scores (low to high) of the eight individual evaluation metrics (transit delay, ridership, etc.) represented by color for the entire route; and 2) at the bottom, a linear representation of the score for each route segment by direction.

In this example, the overall route scored high for transit delay, ridership, passenger load and combined population and employment along the route. For segment scores, the middle two segments along with the EB segment from Addison show the greatest need for improvement.





Figure 3-4c: Toolbox Recommendations Example (Route 22 – Forest Lane)



RECOMMENDATIONS

Route 22 connects Addison and Garland. A bus-activated signal at the Addison Transit Center entrance would speed up vehicles enterning and exiting, and a potential queue jump on Verde Valley Ln would help move transit vehicles through the intersection with the Dallas North Tollway faster. The right turn radius at Verde Valley and Noel Rd should be improved to accommodate eastbound buses. Removing street parking on southbound Noel Rd would also enhance transit operations and improve access to stops along the route.

TOOLBOX ICON DEFINITION



Recommended Tools: The third part contains location-specific recommendations from the Best Practices toolbox. These are shown on multiple pages, depending on how many of the segments contain recommendations.

The recommendations are represented by Toolbox icons on the map, and further described in the recommendations box. More detailed descriptions of the various tools are included in the Best Practices Toolbox in **Appendix A**.





3.4.2 Transit Signal Priority (TSP) Improvements

Work with cities to encourage TSP as a baseline element along key routes throughout the service area and along all frequent Local service routes to improve DART bus speed and reliability. Intersection locations should consider issues such as:

- Cross street vehicular volumes
- Signal phasing
- Intersection level of service
- Intersection with other frequent Local routes

3.4.3 Downtown Dallas as a Priority for CORE Treatments

Expand the existing limited sections of dedicated bus-only lanes to a more comprehensive system that incorporates TSP and other tools, particularly on streets and segments where the current 18 routes accessing or passing through the CBD result in a very frequent combined headway, such as Elm, Commerce, Harwood, Houston, Griffin, Lamar, San Jacinto, and Ross.

While these corridors were excluded from this study in terms of recommendation development, stakeholder input (including bus operators and Service Planning staff), field observations and data suggest a strong need and opportunity for CORE program treatments to be implemented. This should be a focus of the Phase 2 effort. Key benefits will include enhanced reliability and travel time through congested areas of downtown Dallas, improved visibility of transit to support increased use, and a decrease in issues related to curb use and enforcement that hinder bus operations at certain locations.

3.4.4 Level of Service Improvements

As part of the Bus Network Redesign Phase 2 efforts, continue to improve service headways on key bus corridors throughout the service area to grow the frequent Local network. DART should also continue to look for opportunities to support even more frequent service where feasible. This will reduce the need for customers to consult schedules and make DART bus service more useful for more people.

These frequent service corridors are most suitable for the CORE toolbox application of dedicated bus lanes, which provide the highest level of bus speed and reliability improvements. DART could advance corridor level improvements under FTA programs; however, service improvements and/or at least 50 percent of the route in a dedicated right-of-way would be needed to qualify.

The FTA Capital Investment Grant program defines both fixed guideway BRT and corridor-based BRT under Small Starts. These are nearly identical other than the requirement that most of the route be in a fixed guideway and the need for weekend service, FTA requires corridor-based BRT projects to include all of the same characteristics defined for fixed guideway BRT except the separated right-of-way for the exclusive use of public transportation along 50 percent or more of the route during peak periods and the weekend service.

Corridor-based BRT projects must contain the following elements: 1) The route must have defined stations that offer shelter from the weather and provide information on schedules and routes. 2) The route must provide faster passenger travel times through congested intersections by using active signal priority in separated guideway if it exists, and either queue-jump lanes or active signal priority in non-separated guideway. 3) The route must provide short headway, bidirectional service for at least a fourteen-hour span of service on weekdays. Short headway service on weekdays consists of either a) fifteen-minute





maximum headways throughout the day, or b) ten-minute maximum headways during peak periods and twenty-minute maximum headways at all other times. 4) The provider must apply a separate and consistent brand identity to stations and vehicles.

FTA also has project justification warrants that allow projects to move through the process faster and receive automatic medium ratings in some evaluation categories. This includes minimum ridership levels based on project cost. The lowest warrant is 3,000 riders per day for projects up to \$50 million.





4 Summary and Next Steps

The DART CORE program supports the goals in 2045 Transit System Plan and Strategic Plan by promoting transit priority and other treatments within key bus corridors to enhance operational efficiency, increase ridership and create a quality, seamless travel experience. It also enables DART to support the DARTZoom bus network redesign implemented in January 2022.

This Phase I effort provides DART with the framework to advance CORE and establish an ongoing program of improvements to the bus network. While the focus for this initial evaluation was on the 21 frequent Local routes, the Best Practices Toolbox includes strategies that can be applied systemwide to all bus routes. For most of these tools, jurisdictional collaboration and funding resources will be key to success. The result will be a stronger, more reliable bus network to complement and connect with the extensive LRT system, as well as create a stronger network accessible from GoLink zones throughout the service area. Reporting out on progress and the benefits will be important to demonstrate benefits to the region, DART, cities, and our riders.

The following sections outline the implementation strategy and next steps.

4.1 Policy and Program Development

One the first steps recommended is development of a DART Board of Directors Policy to formalize support for the CORE program and outline criteria and guidelines for funding and cost-sharing approaches with key partners, including DART cities, NCTCOG, TxDOT and other federal programs.

Given that improvements will primarily be within city or state rights-of-way, their support for the CORE program is critical to its success. As such, program strategies should include guidance for how to leverage funding at various levels to achieve mutual objectives. For example, one of the goals of CORE is improved access and connectivity to transit. A CORE program policy could outline a cost-sharing strategy that leverages DART and/or other external funds to improve city sidewalks within a certain distance of bus stops or to support completion of bike trail connections near key transit facilities, which would be beneficial for DART in terms of supporting access and use of the system, but also enhance the customer journey to and from transit through improvements to city infrastructure.

It is recommended that the program also include the development of Bus Corridor Design Guidelines that can be used by both city staff and private developers to better accommodate bus service and amenities within a corridor or at new development sites. These design guidelines could be integrated as an element of the existing DART Service Standards.

4.2 Implementation Strategy and Key Considerations

Next steps for Phase 2 of this CORE effort include development of a program of bus corridor improvements using the information within this Phase 1 evaluation to prioritize corridors, segments and spot or area improvements. While the outcomes of this report can be used to identify and advance priority projects, CORE improvements can also emerge in several other ways, including through the identification of opportunities with DART cities for other key routes that provide important connections across the service area.





4.2.1 Key Considerations

As DART advances projects into Phase 2 and continues to advance the CORE program, key considerations include the following:

- Equitable allocation of investments across the DART Service Area
- Opportunity-based investments vs. programmatic approach
- Leveraging funds to support projects

First, with bus routes serving most of the 13-city service area, the CORE program should consider an allocation of investments that aligns with both DART and city needs. For some cities, corridor investments may be critical to move a more people faster and more reliably to major job centers, in others access or safety improvements may be needed to enhance pedestrian access to a major bus stop or station.

Concentrating on specific routes or route segments can provide tangible, quantifiable speed and reliability benefits. Starting with a priority set of locations or corridors has the benefit of reducing complexity in terms of coordination and is more likely to result in a positive "proof of concept". A balanced investment strategy that implements a set of focused investments while also enabling a range of improvements across the route network should be advanced. This approach can help build support and provide a solid foundation upon which the CORE program can grow.

This allows DART to build on collaboration with local jurisdictions to identify opportunity-based projects at locations or segments that may have City projects already planned and programmed. These opportunities can be identified as cities respond to pressing infrastructure needs, develop bond programs, or as part of multi-agency grant applications where a transit component can strengthen an application. By staying in regular contact and being on the lookout for projects and programs within bus corridors, or that coincide with locations where DART has identified a need for transit speed and reliability improvements, projects can be advanced strategically, often with cost- and time-savings.

Lastly, DART will consider opportunities to leverage grants and other funds to help advance the CORE program. Aligning projects and funding opportunities with outcomes related to climate, pollution reduction, innovation, and equity benefits to Justice40 communities should be a priority as the program is developed. Combining projects into a comprehensive and compelling program can also be beneficial. While projects do not always have to be 'shovel-ready', it is important to have a ready queue of CORE projects with sufficient project development completed such that they can be packaged in a way that maximizes their competitiveness for grants. This includes having support across internal departments and city staff. Given DART's current focus on improving service and the rider experience, establishing a 5-year program of CORE projects is recommended to facilitate quick-turnaround on these types of opportunities.

4.2.2 Phase 2 Focus

Phase 1 of this CORE effort highlighted key corridors, segments and spot locations that have the highest level of need and made recommendations for tools and strategies along more than 230 miles of frequent Local bus routes. For Phase 2, it is recommended that the focus be refining recommendations in collaboration with city staff and advancing development of projects and cost estimates for the following elements.

Corridor-Level Improvements

Corridors provide an opportunity to bundle a series of segment and spot improvements along one route or a corridor used by multiple routes. Focusing speed and reliability improvements on corridors is an





effective strategy to improve transit performance and experience noticeable travel time savings, with the potential to increase ridership. A corridor-based project can also be competitive for grants and allow multiple jurisdictions to benefit from a coordinated set of improvements.

Based on the Phase 1 evaluation, corridors (in order of corridor-evaluation score but not necessarily implementation priority) for further development in Phase 2 include:

- Route 23 Haskell (7.1 miles)
- Route 20 Northwest Highway (17 miles)
- Route 9 Jefferson/Gaston (12.2 miles via Downtown Dallas)
- Route 57 Westmoreland (17.5 miles)
- Route 38 Ledbetter (15.4 miles)
- Route 15 Buckner (12.4 miles)
- Route 16 Ferguson (14 miles; 4.5 miles via freeway)
- Route 22 Forest Lane (15.4 miles)

Further analysis will consider recent on-board rider survey data to understand average trip length, major transfer activity, and key origin-destination pairs along the corridors. In some cases, spot or segment improvements may be more appropriate. Phase 2 will focus on identifying the most competitive route(s) for Corridor-based BRT, or potentially fixed-guideway BRT, as defined by FTA. To qualify for the FTA corridor-based BRT programs, routes need to have the maximum headway (15-minutes all day; which only four routes have right now), and can also meet FTA warrants if cost is under \$50 million with at least 3,000 riders a day. Only Routes 57 and 22 have daily ridership over 3,000 as of mid-2023.

In addition to the frequent Local routes evaluated in this Phase 1 report, it is recommended that Phase 2 include a high-level assessment of other major corridors in the service area, especially those under consideration for frequency improvements in Bus Network Redesign Phase 2, or that may serve longer trips and connect residents throughout the service area to activity nodes such as major employment, medical or education facilities.

Segment/Spot Improvements

Spot and segment improvements are projects that target specific points, intersections, or short segments along a bus route. They are typically less complex improvements that generate quick fixes to transit speed and reliability issues that have emerged over time or have been identified by operators. The identification and addressing of spot improvements is generally a less formal process than the corridor development process. Phase 2 will focus on a detailed review of high scoring segments to develop a prioritized list of smaller-scale projects.

Active Transit Zones

Active Transit Zones are areas where multiple routes converge, presenting an opportunity for speed and reliability, as well as access and safety-related, improvements that can have broad benefits across multiple routes. These centers of activity, such as transfer centers, transit centers, rail stations, or other major destinations, provide an opportunity to bundle improvements in a specific zone to enable the movement of many people to and from a busy location. The zone approach provides an opportunity to improve bus flow where there are high passenger loads and many converging routes, allowing benefits to extend to multiple routes. Examples include South Garland Transit Center, Park Lane Station, and SWMD/Parkland Station





Downtown Dallas Bus Priority Corridors

With multiple routes passing through or destined to downtown, Phase 2 should focus on defining bus priority treatments for major streets such as Elm, Commerce, Harwood, Griffin, Lamar, Houston, San Jacinto, and Ross. This can improve travel time through some of the most congested locations along routes and support greater use of transit.

4.3 Monitoring and Progress Reporting

Phase 2 of the CORE effort will outline procedures for monitoring and reporting on the program as well. This is needed not only to track the results of CORE improvements but also to gauge internal and external conditions as they affect route performance and service quality. New developments, signal timing changes, roadway modifications, changes in traffic and travel patterns and other variables can lead to changes in service quality, speed, and reliability within the DART bus network. Periodic route reviews can keep the CORE program up to date and focused on areas with the greatest need for improvement.

Measuring and reporting outcomes should be an integral part of the program and be used to promote and market CORE and the role and benefits of bus service in the overall network. Increased awareness and recognition of the practical gains in speed, reliability and on-time performance can help to drive the continued expansion and success of CORE systemwide. This may include an annual report or interactive webpage on planned or completed projects documenting the background, issue, project or improvement, benefits and funding partners.



APPENDIX A Best Practices Toolbox





Enhancing streets for transit and people

BEST PRACTICES TOOLBOX

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INTRODUCTION



INTRODUCTION

DART bus riders, many of whom rely on the service for their daily needs, often experience delays and unreliable travel times as a result of their bus being stuck in traffic or delayed at an intersection.

DART bus service is not just essential for the daily needs of riders, but plays a critical role in supporting the mobility plans, comprehensive plans, and safety plans of service area cities. By providing access to opportunity and supporting a healthy economy and quality of life, bus service is a vital component of the local and regional mobility network.

However, to fully realize the benefits of bus-based mobility, we need to recognize its value and invest in streets to enhance the role of transit and move buses and people more effectively. The Bus Corridor Improvement Program, referred to as CORE (Corridor Optimization + Rider Experience), is designed to promote transit priority within key bus corridors, enhance operational efficiency, and increase ridership by improving the customer experience.

The initial phase of the CORE program focuses on DART's 22 Frequent Routes and leverages a data-driven, stakeholderinformed, and partnership-oriented methodology. By aligning with DART and partner goals and objectives and drawing on best practices from other metropolitan areas that have made bus speed and reliability a priority, CORE provides a powerful approach to enhancing bus service.

By taking action and supporting the development and implementation of CORE, we can help make a real difference in the lives of DART riders and the communities we serve. With buses capable of carrying over 40 passengers at any given time, let's ensure that this critical mode of transportation reaches its full potential and continues to support the needs of our growing service area.

What are Bus Corridor Improvements?

The CORE program includes these three primary focus areas:



TRANSIT PRIORITY TREATMENTS

Traffic management strategies that allow buses to bypass traffic congestion and improve their travel time and reliability. Examples of transit priority treatments include bus lanes, signal priority, and queue jump lanes.



CONNECTIVITY AND SAFETY

Improving access to bus stops, reducing conflicts and enhancing safety for cyclists and pedestrians along bus corridors.



Corridor enhancements that align with and support local jurisdictions and community goals and objectives.

Why Make Bus Corridor Improvements?



To make transit service on DART's busiest corridors faster and more reliable, and to offer an improved customer experience that will attract more riders. In addition, these improvements will:

Enhance the attractiveness and competitiveness of public transit as a mode of transportation, which can encourage more people to use it instead of driving alone. **Reduce** vehicle miles traveled (VMT) and greenhouse gas emissions by shifting trips from private cars to buses, which have lower per capita environmental impacts. **Improve** mobility and accessibility for all, but with an emphasis on transit-dependent individuals who rely on buses for their daily needs. **Support** economic development and social equity by connecting people to jobs, education, health care, and other opportunities across the region.



To benefit not only transit riders but also drivers, pedestrians, cyclists, businesses, and the environment by supporting more livable, sustainable, and inclusive communities.



DESIRED OUTCOME

Promote transit priority within key corridors to improve the rider experience, enhance efficiency and increase ridership

Help DART buses get 'unstuck' from traffic Maximize person throughput on DART's busiest corridors Improve the rider experience

CORE GOALS



IDENTIFYING BEST PRACTICES

To identify the most appropriate actions DART and service area cities can take to develop and implement transit priority treatments, a nationwide scan of best practices was completed. This scan found a range of approaches with strong collaboration between the transit agency and service area cities being the most essential common ingredient.

King County METRO New York City Transit Image: County Transit

Best Practice Examples include:





TRANSIT PRIORITY TREATMENTS



POTENTIAL TRANSIT PRIORITY TREATMENTS

Based on the nationwide best practices review, four categories of potential transit priority treatments are recommended, including:



STREET AND **INTERSECTION** DESIGN

Tools that improve speed, safety, access and reliability through the physical design of streets and intersections.



BUS STOPS AND ROUTING

Tools that improve speed and reliability through stop location and spacing.



TRAFFIC REGULATIONS

Transit-beneficial operational modifications that require minimal capital investment, including, when necessary, enforcement.



TRAFFIC SIGNALS

Tools that modify signal timing, phasing, and indications to improve bus speed and reliability.

*Categories derived from King County Metro Transit Speed and Reliability Guidelines and Strategies, August 2021.



POTENTIAL TREATMENTS OVERVIEW

Low	Medium	High
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		GOALS		CONSIDERATIONS		
	Enhance Speed & Reliability	Improve Safety	Improve Access & Connectivity	Coordination Level (estimated)	Cost Range (estimated)	Spot or Segment
STREET AND INTERSECTION DI	ESIGN					
Dedicated Bus Lane	***	**	•	* *	* *	Segment
Queue Bypass (Short Bus Lane)	***	**	•	**	••	Segment
Roadway Channelization	•	**	•	**	**	Segment
Turn Radius Improvements	•	•		**	•	Spot
Speed Hump Modifications	•			•	•	Segment
BUS STOPS & ROUTING						
Bus Stop Location Optimization	**	**	•	•	•	Spot
Route Design	* *			**	•	Segment
Bus Stop Lengthening	* *	**	**	* *	* *	Spot
Bus Bulbs	* *	**	**	**	**	Spot
Boarding Islands	* *	**	•	**	**	Spot
TRAFFIC REGULATIONS						
Turn Restrictions/Exemptions	•	**		**	•	Spot
Parking Removal/Alterations	•	•		**	•	Spot/Segment
TRAFFIC SIGNALS						
Passive Traffic Signal Retiming	***			**	**	Segment
Transit Signal Priority (Active)	***			**	**	Segment
Signal Modifications	**			**	•	Spot
New Signal Installation	**			**	***	Spot
Queue Jumps	* *			* *	* *	Spot



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STREET AND INTERSECTION DESIGN

Tools that improve speed and reliability through the physical design of streets and intersections





DEDICATED BUS LANE

Dedicated bus lanes are a portion of the street designated by signs and markings for the preferential or exclusive use of transit vehicles, sometimes permitting limited use by other vehicles.

Low Medium High

BUS CORRIDOR TREATMENT RATING

Enhance Speed & Reliability	***
Improve Safety	**
Improve Access & Connectivity	•

Figure 1: Dedicated Bus Lane Example from NACTO



TYPICAL APPLICATION

Downtown settings or streets with high motor vehicle traffic and transit vehicle volume and congestion.

POTENTIAL BENEFITS

Reduce delays due to traffic congestion and help raise the visibility of high-quality bus service.

CHALLENGES

Strict enforcement is necessary to maintain their use and integrity. Subject to encroachment due to double-parking, deliveries, or taxicabs. Ongoing maintenance of colored markings.

DEDICATED BUS LANE EXAMPLE

Houston METRO has implemented dedicated bus lanes that improve transit speed and reliability. They have also included an additional lane that promotes ridesharing by dedicating the lane to buses and high-occupant-vehicles (HOV).

- Implemented on Travis Street from Gray St. to Commerce St. in Downtown Houston
- Implemented in 2005



The red striping and markings provide visual instruction to road users. These red lanes improve traffic flow by having designated lanes for public transit vehicles, and they can also improve safety for drivers, cyclists, and pedestrians.



QUEUE BYPASS (SHORT BUS LANE)

Queue Bypass or short bus lanes, allow transit vehicles to bypass long queues that form at major cross streets.

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BUS CORRIDOR TREATMENT RATING

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Improve Access & Connectivity	•

Figure 2: Queue Bypass Example from NACTO



TYPICAL APPLICATION

At the approaches to signalized intersections via separate lane and transit signal.

POTENTIAL BENEFITS

Allow transit vehicles to bypass general vehicle queues and right-turn queues.

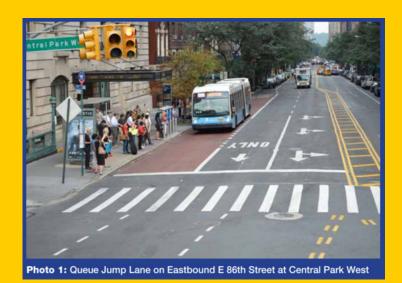
CHALLENGES

Subject to encroachment due to double-parking, deliveries, or taxicabs. Strict enforcement is necessary to maintain their use and integrity.

QUEUE BYPASS (SHORT BUS LANE) EXAMPLE

MTA in New York City initiated the Better Buses Restart initiative in 2020 which resulted in over 16 miles of new dedicated bus lanes.

Queues along W 86th Street approaching Central Park West during peak hours often prevented the bus from accessing the stop. The queue jump lane at E 86th Street at the approach to 5th Avenue provides a better positioning for buses. The design of the lane created channelization that reduced the general travel lanes to a single lane to further prioritize bus movements. 86th Street is part of MTA's Select Bus Service, their bus rapid transit (BRT) network. Customer travel times typically improve 10-20% along corridors with priority treatments.







ROADWAY CHANNELIZATION

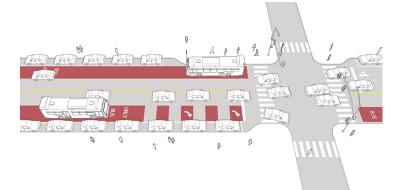
Roadway channelization for buses helps by having different lanes serve a specific purpose, such as having bus-only lanes.

Figure 3: Transit Corridor Example from NACTO



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Improve Safety	**
Improve Access & Connectivity	•



TYPICAL APPLICATION

Can be implemented on any transit corridor served by bus or other forms of transit such as streetcars.

POTENTIAL BENEFITS

Allows buses to safely and conveniently move into specific lanes.

CHALLENGES

Conflicts with other road users can occur causing delay.

ROADWAY CHANNELIZATION EXAMPLE

New York City implemented several improvements to the Sheepshead Bay Road Corridor to improve safety. Some of the improvements will also aid bus services such as creating channelized roadways to increase bus reliability.







TURN RADIUS IMPROVEMENTS

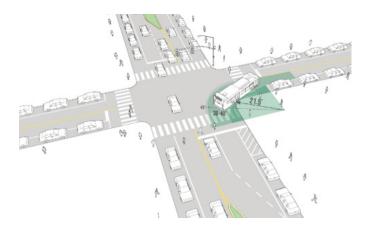
Transit vehicles typically require an effective turning radius of approximately 20–30 feet depending on lane width and presence of curbside parking lanes.

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Figure 4: Turn Radius Improvement Example from NACTO



TYPICAL APPLICATION

At the approaches to signalized intersections.

POTENTIAL BENEFITS

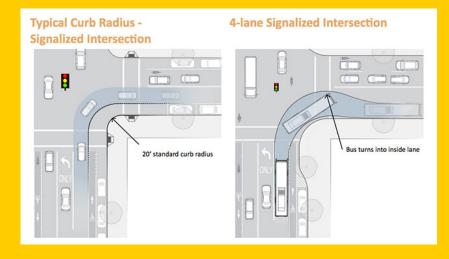
Curb extensions typically reduce pedestrian crossing distances.

CHALLENGES

May have to use part of the oncoming travel lane and/or move stop bar to accommodate for the wide turn.

TURN RADIUS IMPROVEMENTS EXAMPLE

The City of St. Paul has developed a new streets design manual that calls out specific designs for curb radii that considers turning movements of buses and how to effectively design turns that won't impede on bus travel.







SPEED HUMP MODIFICATIONS

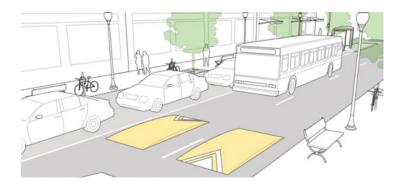
Modifications to speed humps include speed humps that have wheel cut-out openings to allow large vehicles like buses to pass unaffected while continuing to reduce car speeds.

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Improve Safety	
Improve Access & Connectivity	

Figure 5: Speed Hump Modification Example from NACTO



TYPICAL APPLICATION

On roadways that have or need traffic-calming measures.

POTENTIAL BENEFITS

Reduces speeds for vehicles while minimizing impacts and reducing wear and tear on buses.

CHALLENGES

Requires coordination with city to construct.

SPEED HUMP MODIFICATIONS EXAMPLE

The City of Cincinnati installed temporary speed cushions on Winneste Avenue as a pilot project. The speed cushions help reduce traffic speed and increase pedestrian safety while having minimal delay to transit operations.

	Before	After
Percentage of Vehicles Speeding	95%	11%
Average Speed	37 mph	20 mph
Percentage of Vehicles Exceeding 40 mph	25%	0%







BUS STOPS AND ROUTING

Tools that improve speed and reliability through stop location and spacing





BUS STOP LOCATION OPTIMIZATION

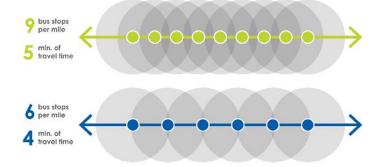
Relocation or consolidation of bus stops to optimize placement and minimize delay while considering pedestrian accessibility.

Figure 6: Example of very close bus stop spacing from Transit Center



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TYPICAL APPLICATION

On bus corridors where very close stop placement results in excessive bus delay.

POTENTIAL BENEFITS

Improve bus flow, speed and reliability.

CHALLENGES

Bus stop siting and relocation can raise rider and neighborhood concerns.

BUS STOP LOCATION OPTIMIZATION EXAMPLE

Chicago Transit Authority (CTA) conducted a study on bus stop spacing for corridors where transit service was modified.

Stop consolidation and the introduction of the express routes led to time savings of 5-7% for both local and express routes.*

*Source: https://dimnioras.gitlab.io/documents/research-projects/ StopSpacing_Study_DimitrisNioras.pdf





ROUTE DESIGN

Simple, direct routing on arterials without major deviations or loops simplifies the system and reduces travel times, may be paired with first/last mile improvements for accessibility.

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BUS CORRIDOR TREATMENT RATING

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Figure 7: Bus Route Example from NACTO

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LOCAL		
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TYPICAL APPLICATION

Systemwide where feasible.

POTENTIAL BENEFITS

Fewer turning movements improves travel times and makes the system more legible for customers.

CHALLENGES

High ridership locations may not be along arterials, requiring route deviations.



ROUTE DESIGN EXAMPLE

Dallas Area Rapid Transit (DART) completed a major restructuring of their entire bus network, and made it operational in January 2022. Overall DART streamlined routes, and significantly expanded on-demand service (Go Link). By making the new bus routes more direct, focusing on major transit corridors, and reducing the number of bus stops, DART bus service is faster, ensuring passengers get to their destinations quicker and improving connections.

- With the implementation of this new service, 74% of DART service-area residents have access to transit services within walking distance.
- The new service increases the number of jobs that an average resident of the DART Service Area can reach in one hour by 34% compared to the prior bus network

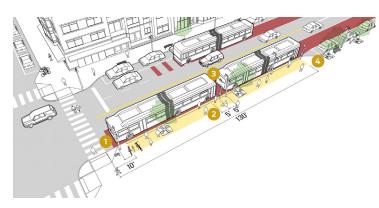




BUS STOP LENGTHENING

Short transition distances into bus stop areas or pullouts add delay to transit service and require sharper transitions to the curb.

Figure 8: Bus Stop Lengthening Example from NACTO



TYPICAL APPLICATION

Applicable where sharp entry/exit angles slow entry or exit.

POTENTIAL BENEFITS

Longer stops ease transitions into and out of stops. Can be used to distribute queuing riders along the sidewalk.

CHALLENGES

Medium

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BUS CORRIDOR TREATMENT RATING

High

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Low

Improve Safety

Enhance Speed & Reliability

Improve Access & Connectivity

Require more curb length, reduces curbside parking spots.

BUS STOP LENGTHENING EXAMPLE

New York MTA removed several bus stops along its B38 route to accommodate the transition to longer buses. With this they also updated some of the stops to be longer to accommodate the longer buses. The longer buses will make the route more efficient by carrying more people.







Figure 9: Bus Bulb Example from NACTO

BUS BULBS

Bus bulbs are permanent sidewalk extensions that allow buses to pull up to the curb without leaving the travel lane, saving valuable time.

Low Medium High

BUS CORRIDOR TREATMENT RATING

Enhance Speed & Reliability	**
Improve Safety	**
Improve Access & Connectivity	**



TYPICAL APPLICATION

Applicable in both dedicated and mixed-traffic conditions for locations where buses are delayed re-entering travel lanes.

POTENTIAL BENEFITS

Reduces travel delay and boarding delay, by eliminating transition movements into and out of bus stop areas. This also also acts as a curb extension to shorten pedestrian crossings.

CHALLENGES

Traffic buildup behind transit vehicles.

BUS BULB EXAMPLE

A study conducted by the City of New Jersey looked at the benefits a bus bulb would have on transit travel times. The study concluded that bus travel time savings as a result of the bus bulbs ranged between 15 and 30 seconds per bus stop.







BOARDING ISLANDS

Boarding island stops provide dedicated space for transit passengers and amenities while maintaining a clear pedestrian path on the sidewalk, and/or bicycle lane behind the island.

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BUS CORRIDOR TREATMENT RATING

Enhance Speed & Reliability	*
Improve Safety	**
Improve Access & Connectivity	•

Figure 10: Bus Boarding Island Example from NACTO



TYPICAL APPLICATION

Applicable on streets with center-running transit, or on routes where high-volume bike lanes are in place.

POTENTIAL BENEFITS

Reduces transit vehicle dwell times, provides a refuge area for pedestrians crossing the street, and minimizes bus/bike conflicts at stops.

CHALLENGES

Right-of-way limitations can restrict feasibility.

BOARDING ISLANDS EXAMPLE

In partnership with TriMet, PBOT installed two types of temporary platforms. The first platform removes the conflict with the bike lane making it safer for bicyclist traveling in the bike lane. They also installed a temporary asphalt platform to assist in boarding of buses.









TRAFFIC REGULATIONS

Transit-beneficial operational modifications that require minimal capital investment, including, when necessary, enforcement.





TURN RESTRICTIONS/EXEMPTIONS

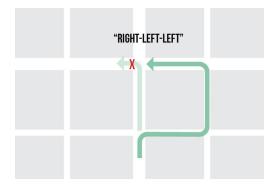
Prohibiting automobile turns (primarily left-turns) where there are no dedicated turn lanes that would present issues to efficient bus movement or pedestrian access, and shifting turn volume to the intersections where they can be best accommodated using signal phases and turn lanes.

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Improve Access & Connectivity	

Figure 11: Turn Restriction Example from NACTO



TYPICAL APPLICATION

Urban roadways, gridded road networks.

POTENTIAL BENEFITS

Improve transit performance, general traffic performance, and walking and bicycling safety.

CHALLENGES

May be viewed as an inconvenience by motorists.

TURN RESTRICTIONS/ EXEMPTIONS EXAMPLE

As part of the Geary Blvd. Improvement Project, SFMTA proposed left-turn restrictions at some intersections to reduce conflicts between vehicles and people walking and improve traffic safety by increasing driver visibility and providing space for larger center median pedestrian refuges.







PARKING REMOVAL/ALTERATIONS

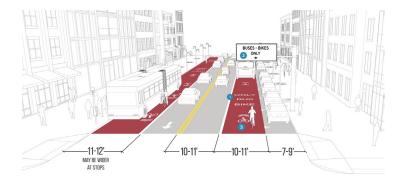
The removal of parking completely or removal of parking spots is sometimes necessary to implement transit measures such as bus lanes.

Figure 12: Parking Removal/Alterations Example from NACTO

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Improve Safety	•
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TYPICAL APPLICATION

Urban roadways where bus lanes or transit lanes are planned.

POTENTIAL BENEFITS

Allow spaces for bus lanes and transit lanes as well as bus stop improvements.

CHALLENGES

Stakeholder perceptions regarding loss of parking.

PARKING REMOVAL/ ALTERATIONS EXAMPLE

San Francisco and SFMTA have implemented a project throughout the city to remove over 1,000 on-street parking spots to improve the safety and speed of bus boarding.







TRAFFIC SIGNALS

Tools that modify signal timing, phasing, and indications to improve bus speed and reliability.





PASSIVE TRAFFIC SIGNAL RETIMING

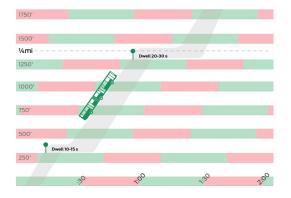
Traffic signal modification to create "green wave" for buses.

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Figure 13: Passive Traffic Signal Retiming Example from NACTO



TYPICAL APPLICATION

Urban roadways with frequent signalized intersections.

POTENTIAL BENEFITS

Reduces dwelling time stopped at signalized intersections and bus delay.

CHALLENGES

Signal timing without consideration of dwell times at bus stops can further cause bus dwell time at intersections.

PASSIVE TRAFFIC SIGNAL RETIMING EXAMPLE

Metropolitan Transportation Commission in California has created the Program for Arterial System Synchronization (PASS) to coordinate with the city on signal timing to improve traffic flow, address safety concerns, prevent stop delays and cut down on air pollution.

PASS BENEFITS

Travel time savings	23%, or more th
	3.2 million hour
Fuel consumption savings	16%, or over 3.1
	million gallons
Average auto speed increase	38%
Total emissions reduction	124 tons

Total project costs \$1.4 million

Total lifetime benefits \$86.2 million

Overall benefit-cost ratio 61:1







TRANSIT SIGNAL PRIORITY (ACTIVE)

Transit Signal Priority (TSP) tools modify traffic signal timing or phasing when transit vehicles are present, and can work on thru, left-, and right-turning movements.

Figure 13: Transit Signal Priority Example from NACTO

TYPICAL APPLICATION

Urban roadways with significant traffic and transit volumes.

POTENTIAL BENEFITS

Reduces bus delay and enhances service reliability.

Low Medium High

BUS CORRIDOR TREATMENT RATING

Enhance Speed & Reliability	***
Improve Safety	
Improve Access & Connectivity	

CHALLENGES

Requires coordination with city and bus and signal technology integration.

TRANSIT SIGNAL PRIORITY (ACTIVE) EXAMPLE

SamTrans (California) is implementing a TSP project on its El Camino Real transit route. This project will improve SamTrans' on-time performance by reducing bus delays at intersections in order to provide more reliable service. This project will also have negligible impacts to cross streets.

Combined with other measures, 15 to 20 minutes in travel time savings could result from implementing TSP as one of the measures.

In NYC, TSP has reduced bus travel times about 14% during weekday peak morning and evening commuting periods.







SIGNAL MODIFICATIONS

Intersections updated with shorter signal cycles reduce net delay to transit vehicles, especially at near-side stop locations, or across freeway corridors where frontage roads exist, may also include protected left-turn movements at signalized intersections where they are currently unprotected.

Low Medium High

BUS CORRIDOR TREATMENT RATING

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Improve Safety	
Improve Access & Connectivity	

Figure 14: Intersection Update Example from NACTO



TYPICAL APPLICATION

On signalized streets with frequent transit service, in mixed-traffic or dedicated lanes.

POTENTIAL BENEFITS

Reduce delay at intersection for buses and other users such as pedestrians.

CHALLENGES

Need to accommodate pedestrian clearance times and crossing distance.

SIGNAL PHASE MODIFICATION EXAMPLE

NYC has created a program to implement shorter traffic signal phases to reduce delay to transit buses. In addition to these shorter phases, the city has also installed other traffic signal measures such as the leading pedestrian signal to promote pedestrian safety.







Figure 15: TSP signal Example from NACTO

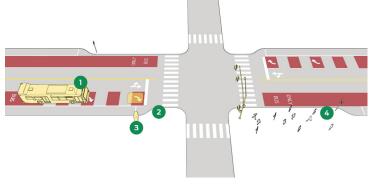
NEW SIGNAL INSTALLATION

New signal installation can help in phasing out older signals with new modern traffic signals to promote Transit Signal Progression.

Low Medium High

BUS CORRIDOR TREATMENT RATING

Enhance Speed & Reliability Improve Safety Improve Access & Connectivity



TYPICAL APPLICATION

Typically, when intersections are reconstructed.

POTENTIAL BENEFITS

Improve bus reliability, reduce delay.

CHALLENGES

Can be competing priorities for signal 'share'.

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NEW SIGNAL INSTALLATION EXAMPLE

Nashville MTA completed several intersection upgrades along Murfreesboro Pike, one of its busiest corridors. The improvements included technology enabled to help smooth traffic flow and allow WeGo (Nashville's transit system) buses to improve their on-time performance.







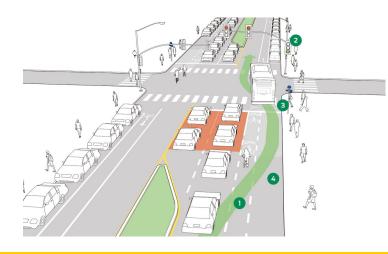
QUEUE JUMPS

Queue Jumps allow buses to easily enter traffic flow in a priority position.

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BUS CORRIDOR TREATMENT RATING

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Improve Safety	
Improve Access & Connectivity	



TYPICAL APPLICATION

On signalized streets with moderately frequent bus routes.

POTENTIAL BENEFITS

Significantly reduce bus delay at signalized intersections.

CHALLENGES

Right-turn lanes can pose an issue.

QUEUE JUMPS EXAMPLE

Figure 16: Queue Jump Example from NACTO

To keep buses moving, King County Metro added a queue jump at the intersection at Interurban Ave. S. and 52nd Ave. S.

Buses and right-turning vehicles now share the right lane. Just before southbound traffic gets a green light, the queue jump signal is activated, and buses can go through the intersection before other vehicles.

- Morning commute times saw a 5% improvement in ontime performance
- Morning and afternoon commute trips saw up to an 8-second travel time improvement











SUMMARY

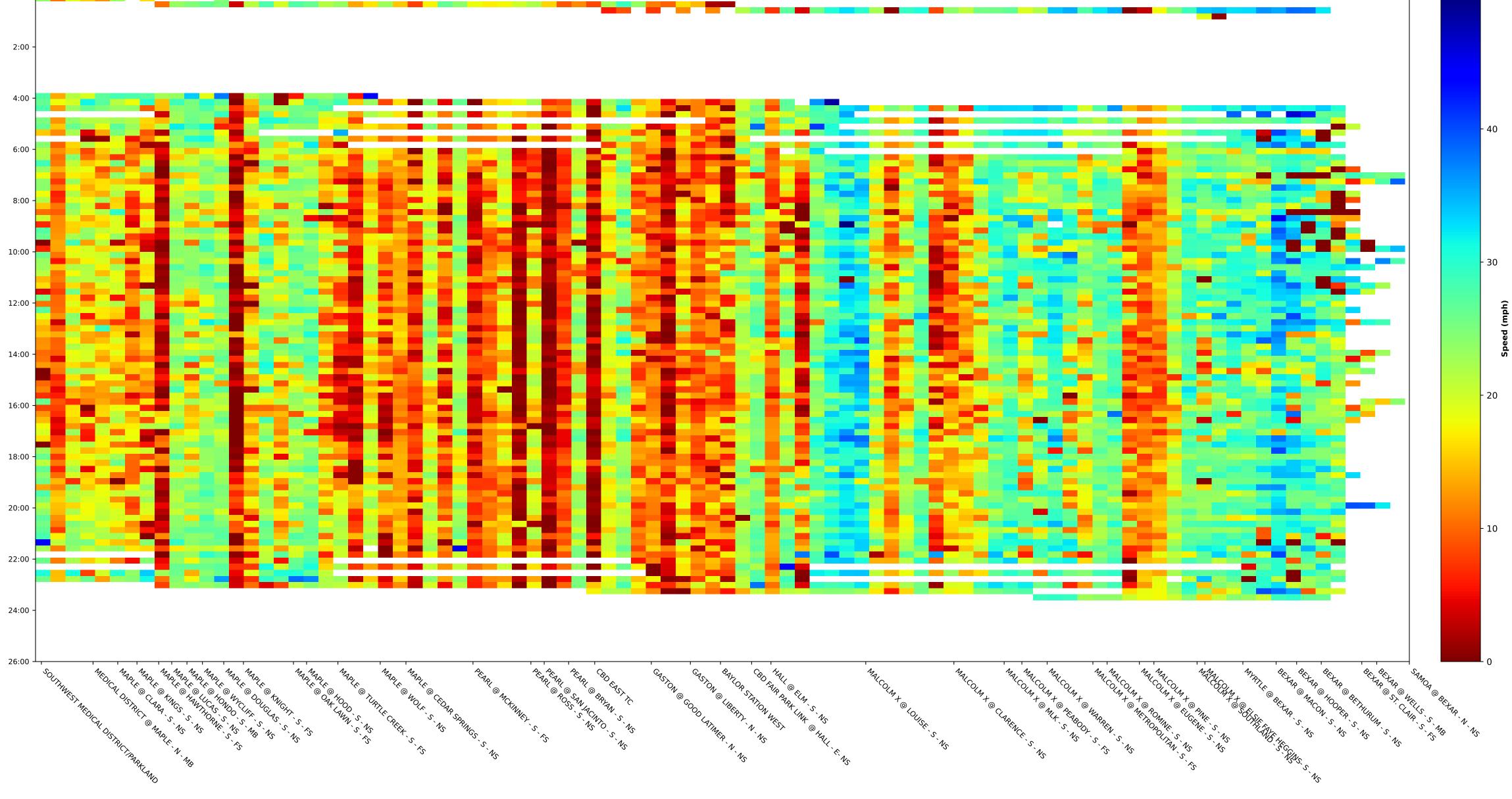
- National scan of transit priority treatments indicates a wide range of methods exist to improve bus speed and reliability and enhance the customer experience.
- Case study examples demonstrate benefits and cost-effectiveness of transit priority treatments when well-planned and implemented.
- Careful analysis of bus corridors and 'hot spots' needed to identify most promising alternatives.
- Pilots and demonstration projects can help build support and demonstrate efficacy.





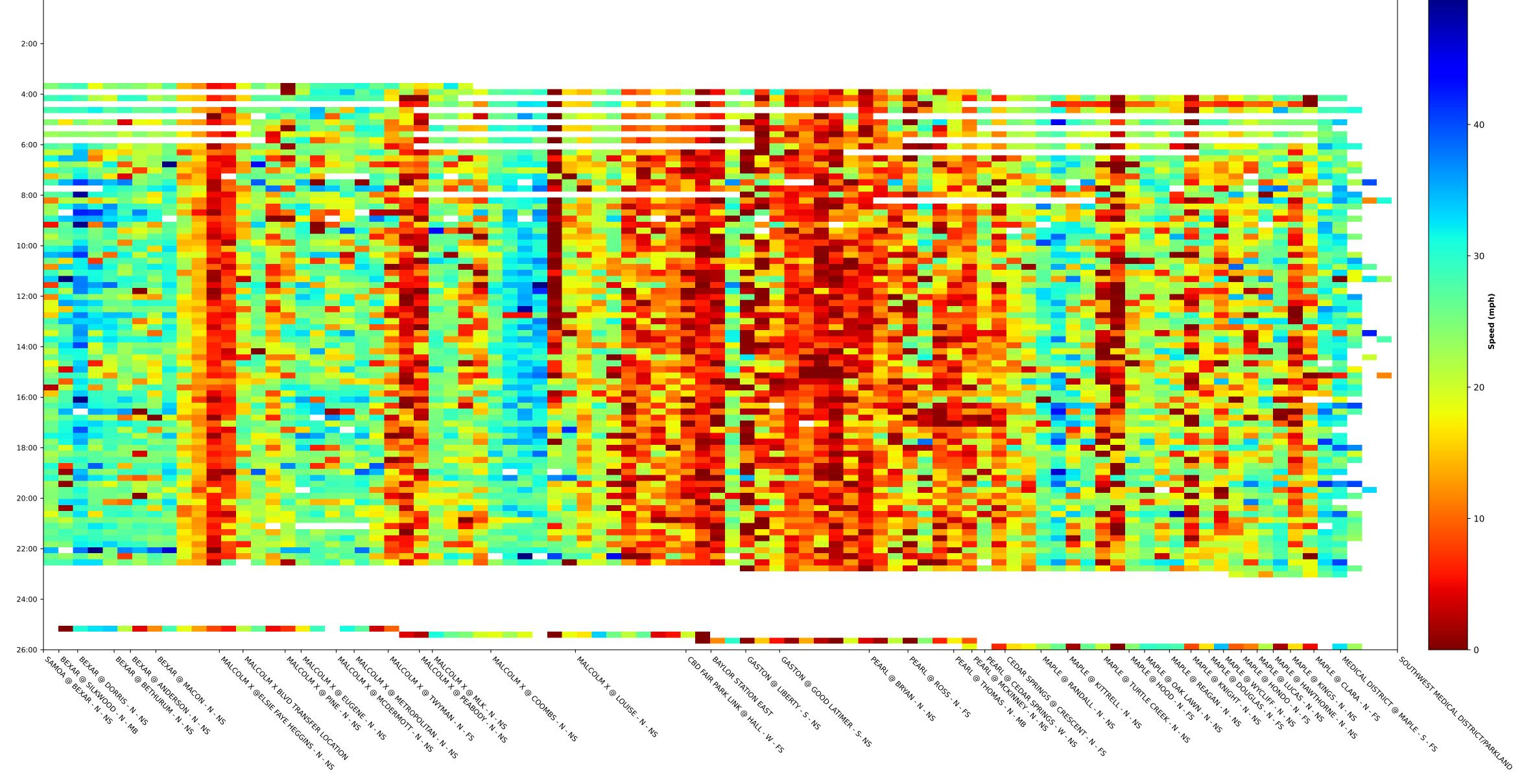


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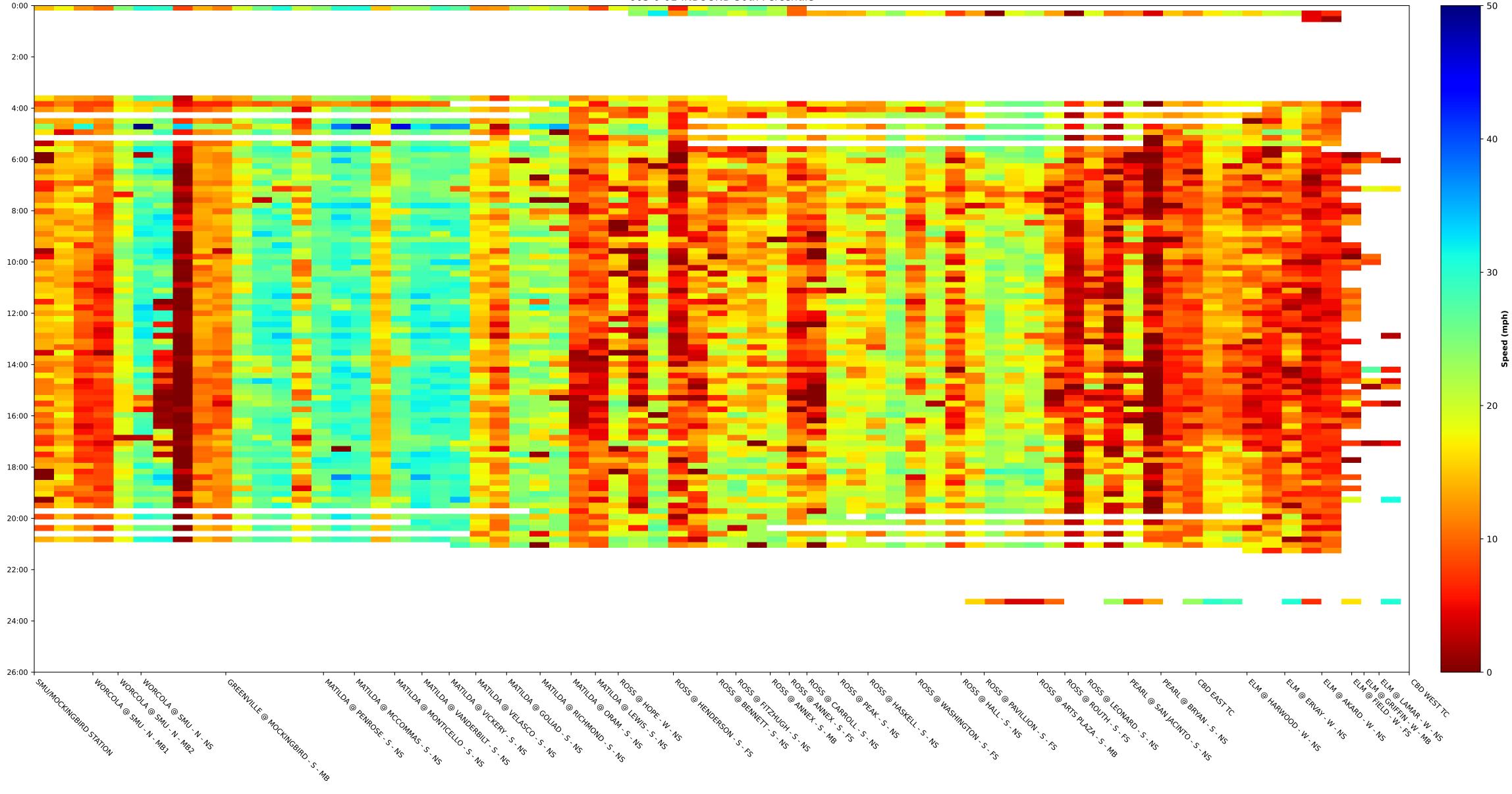


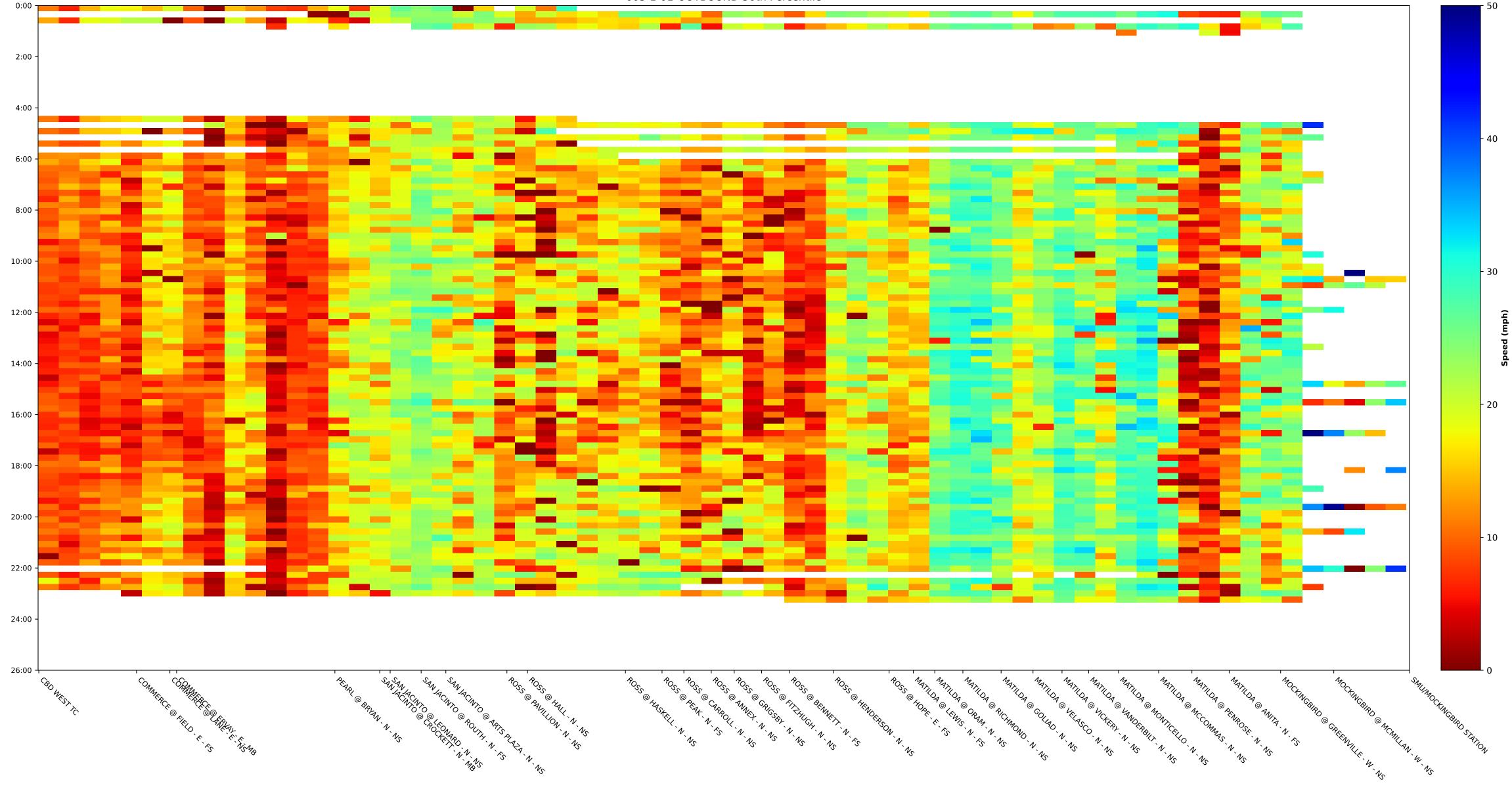
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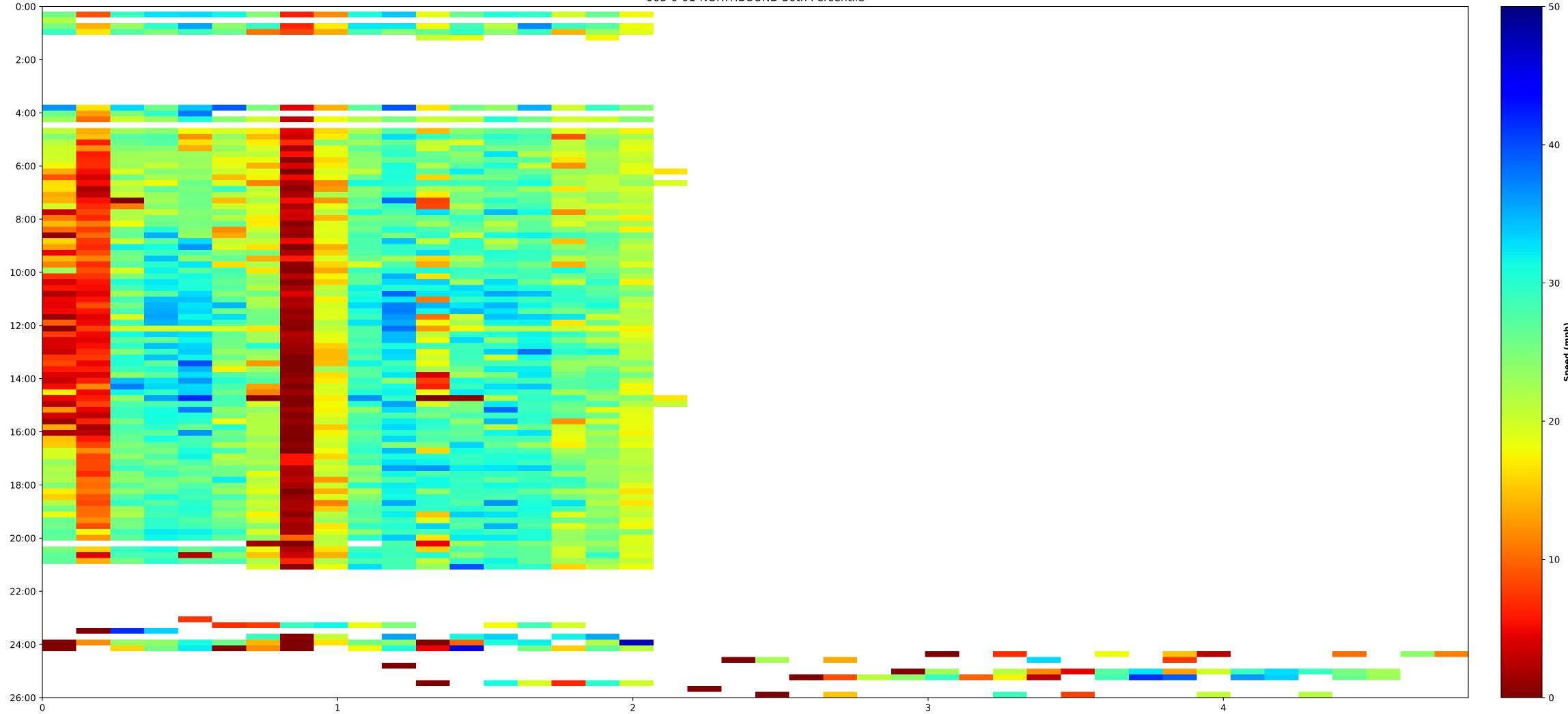
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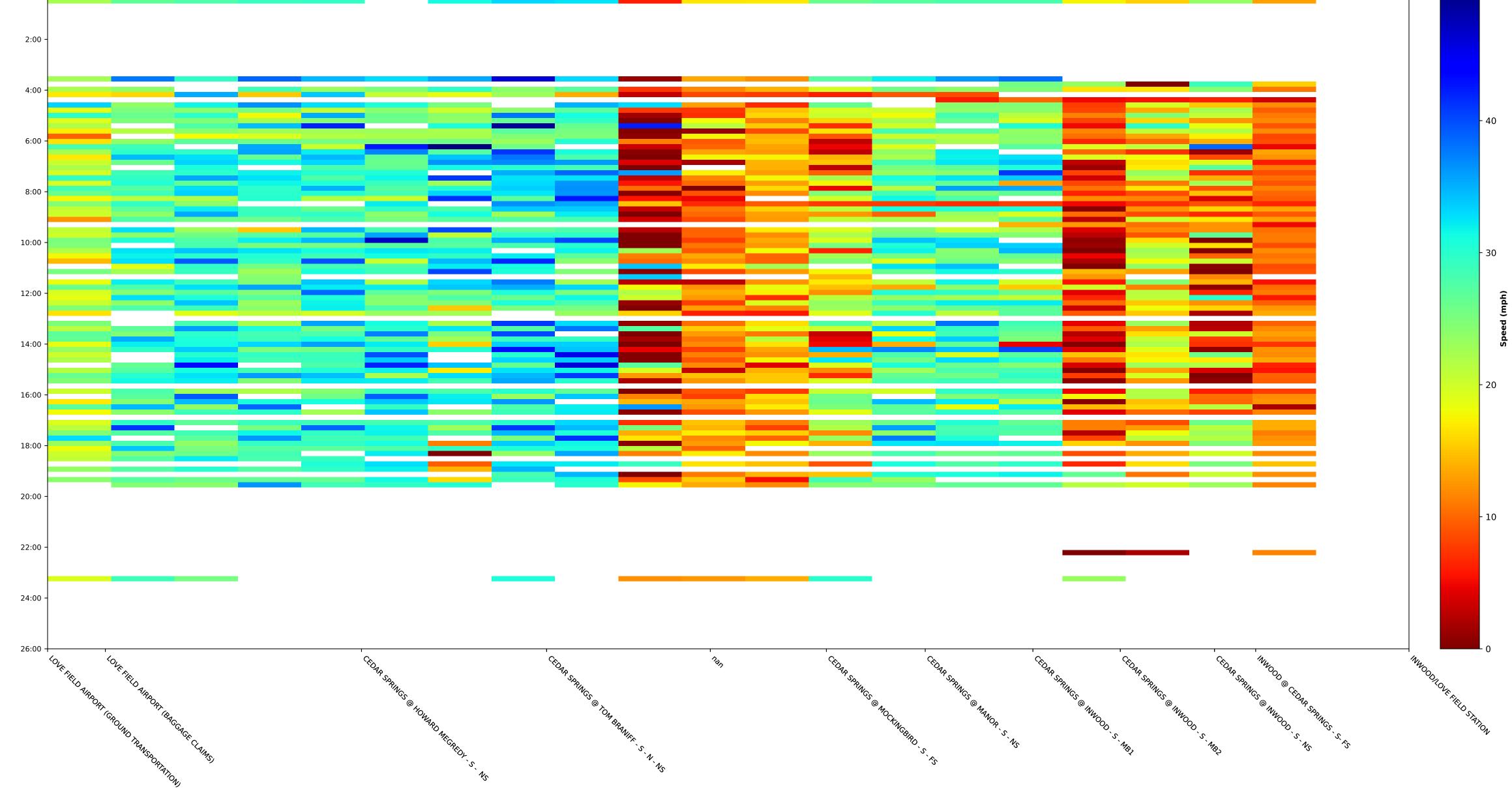


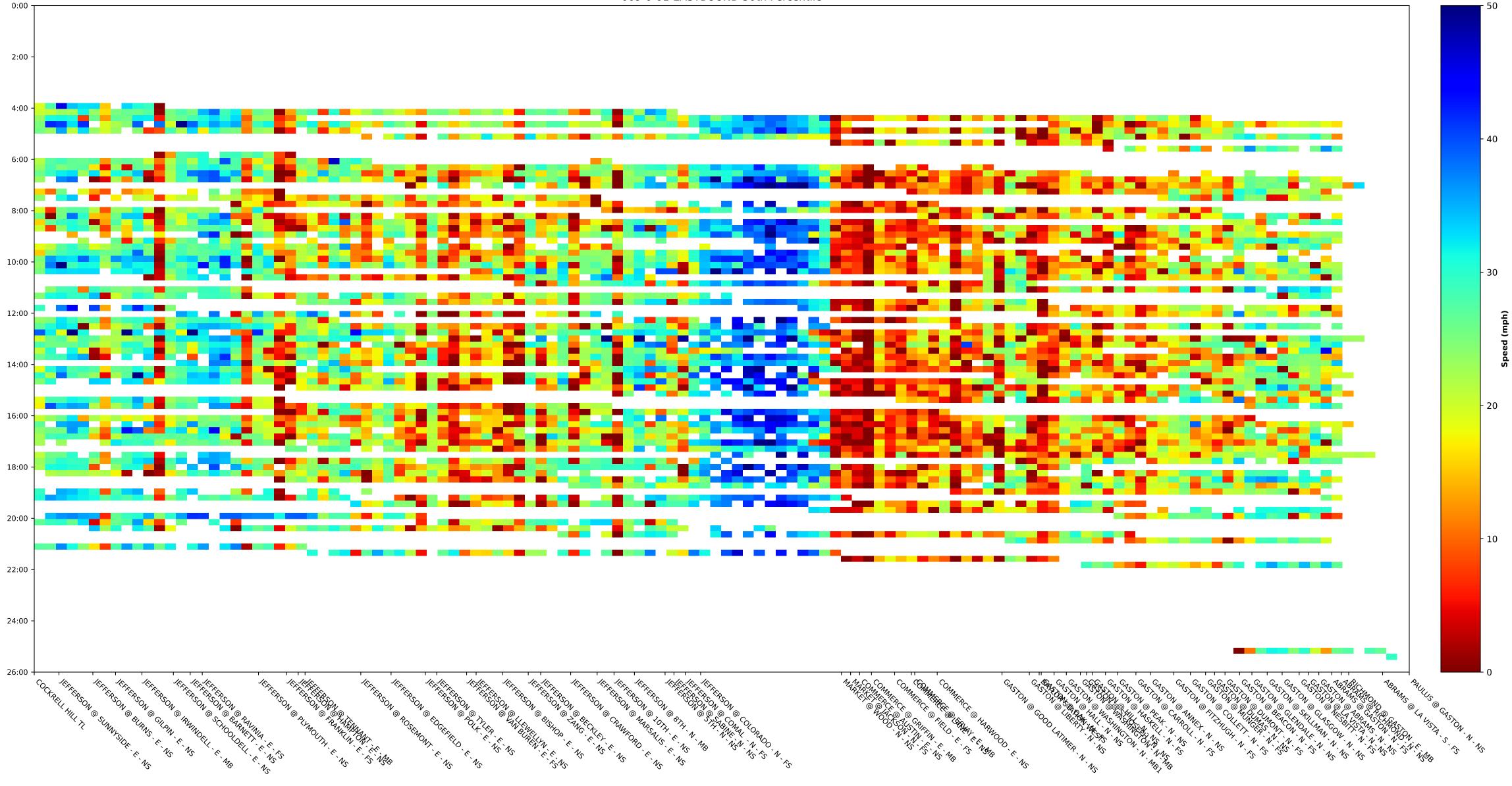


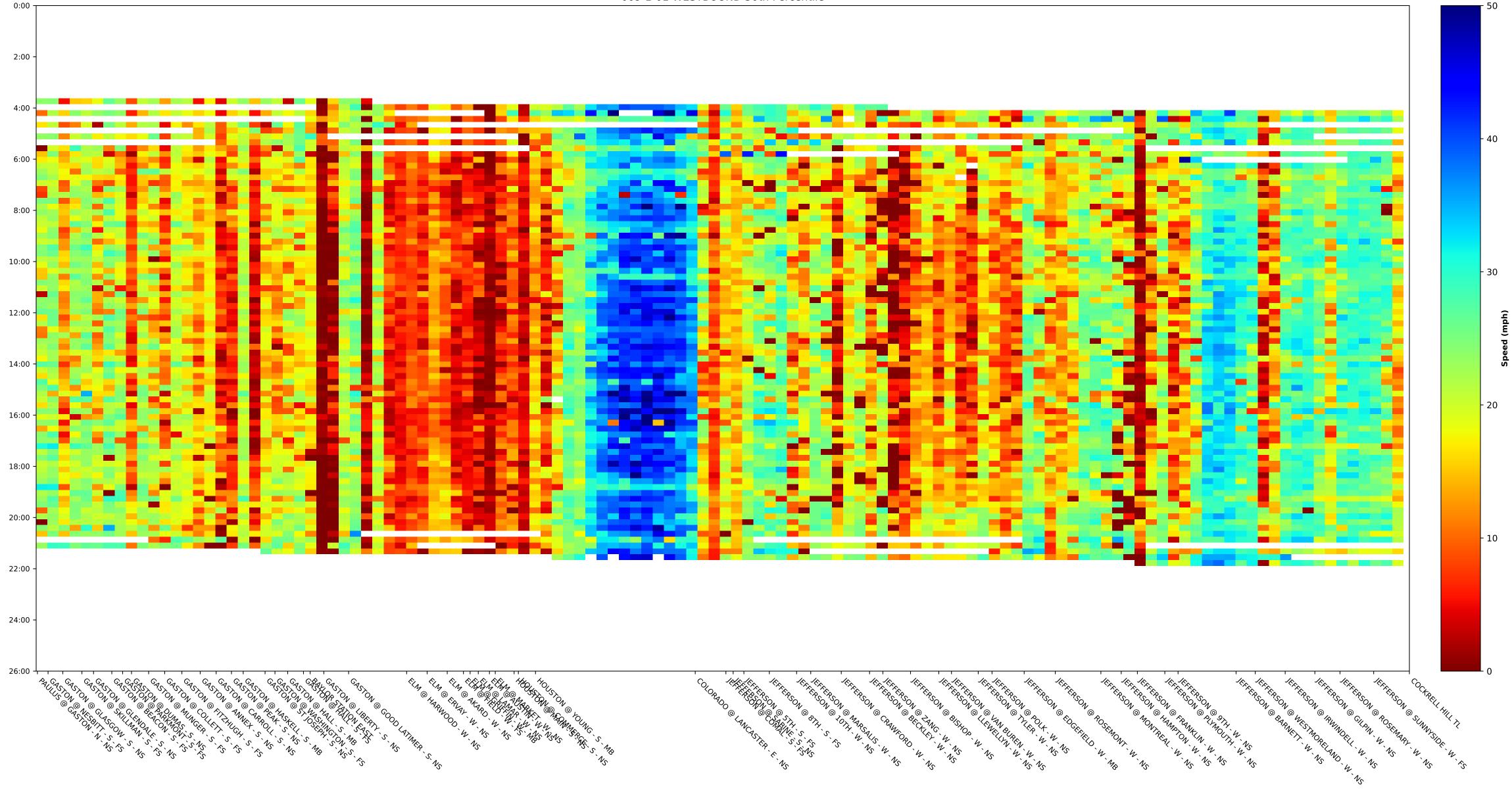
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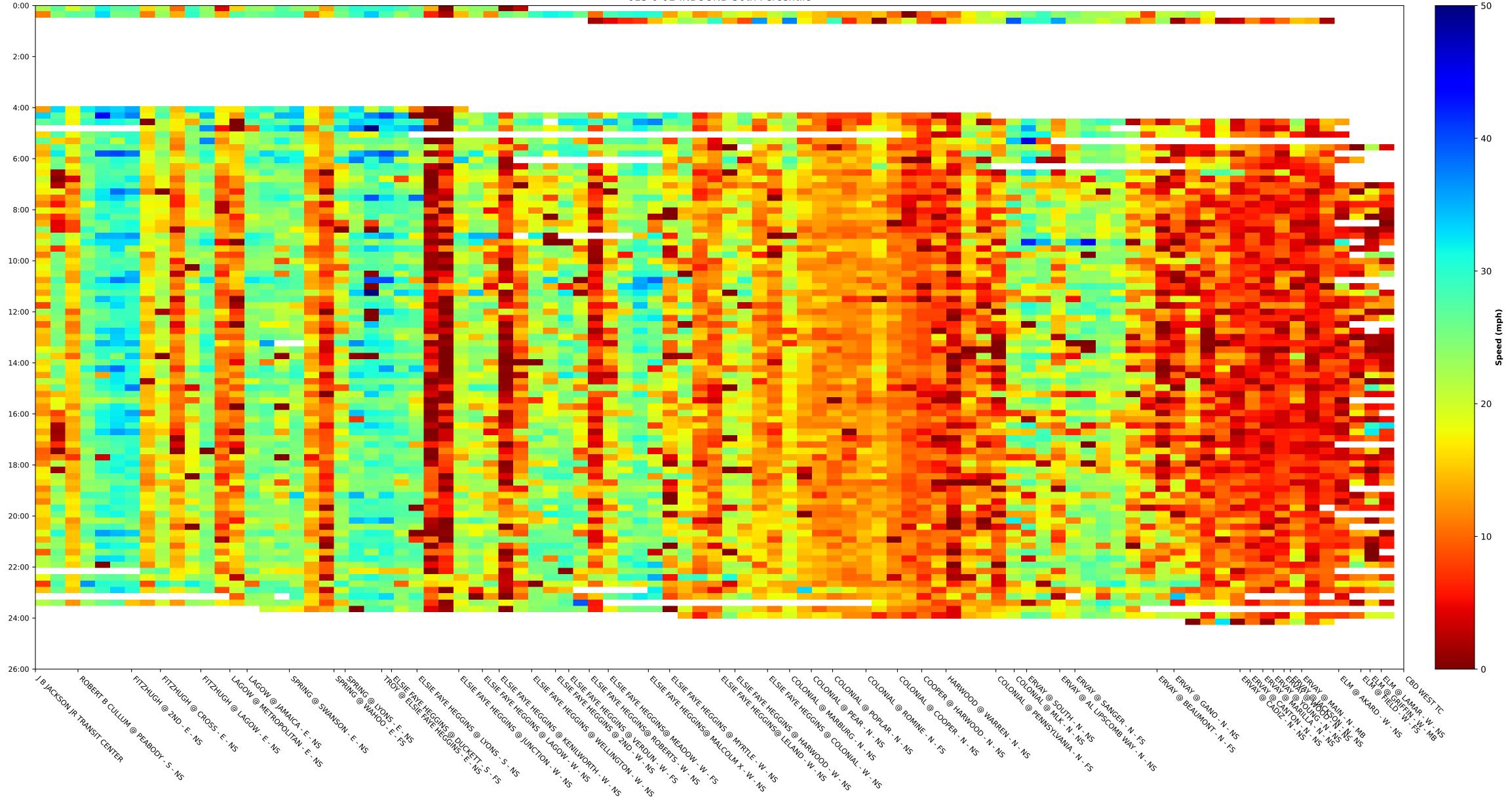
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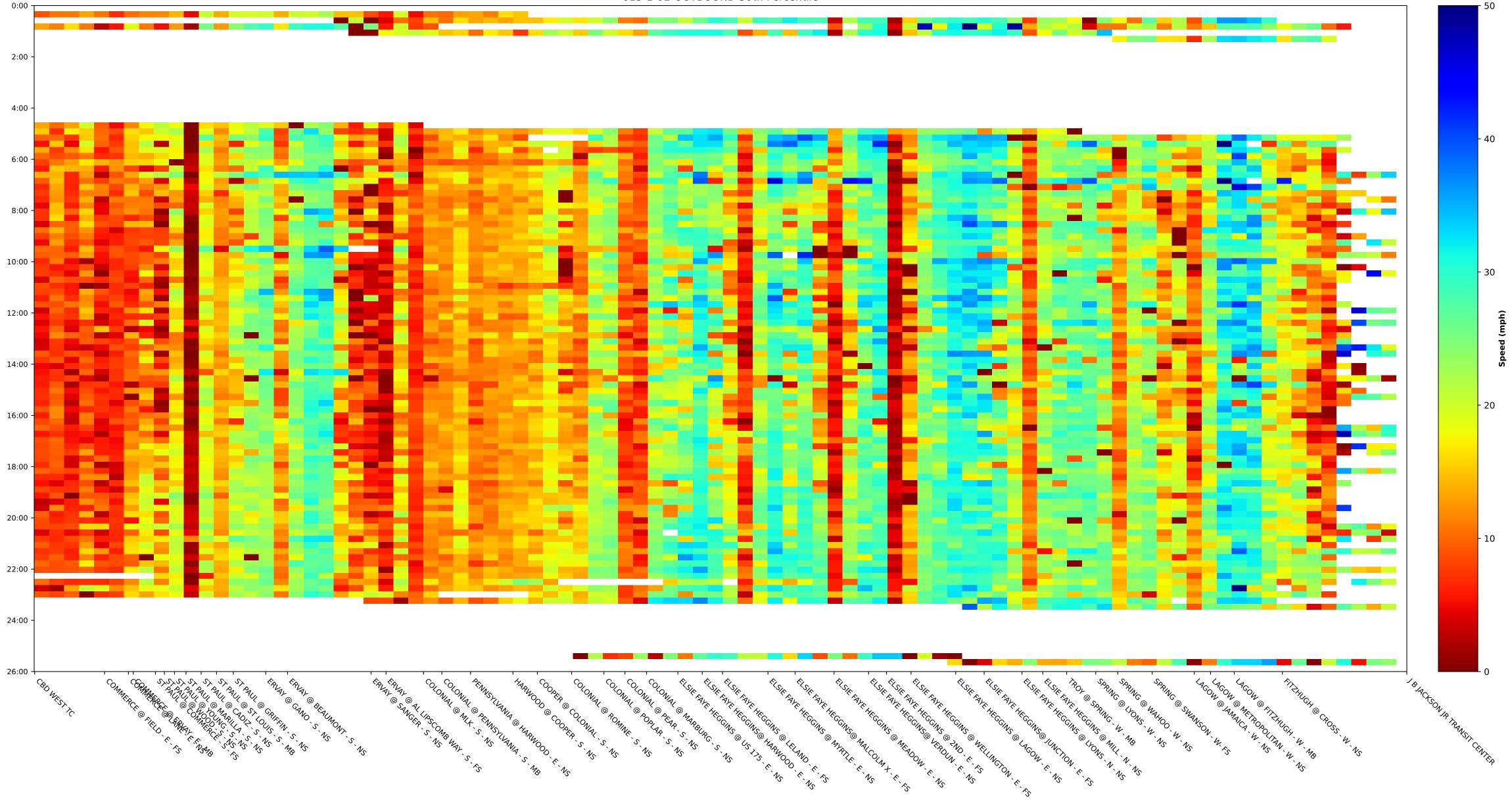
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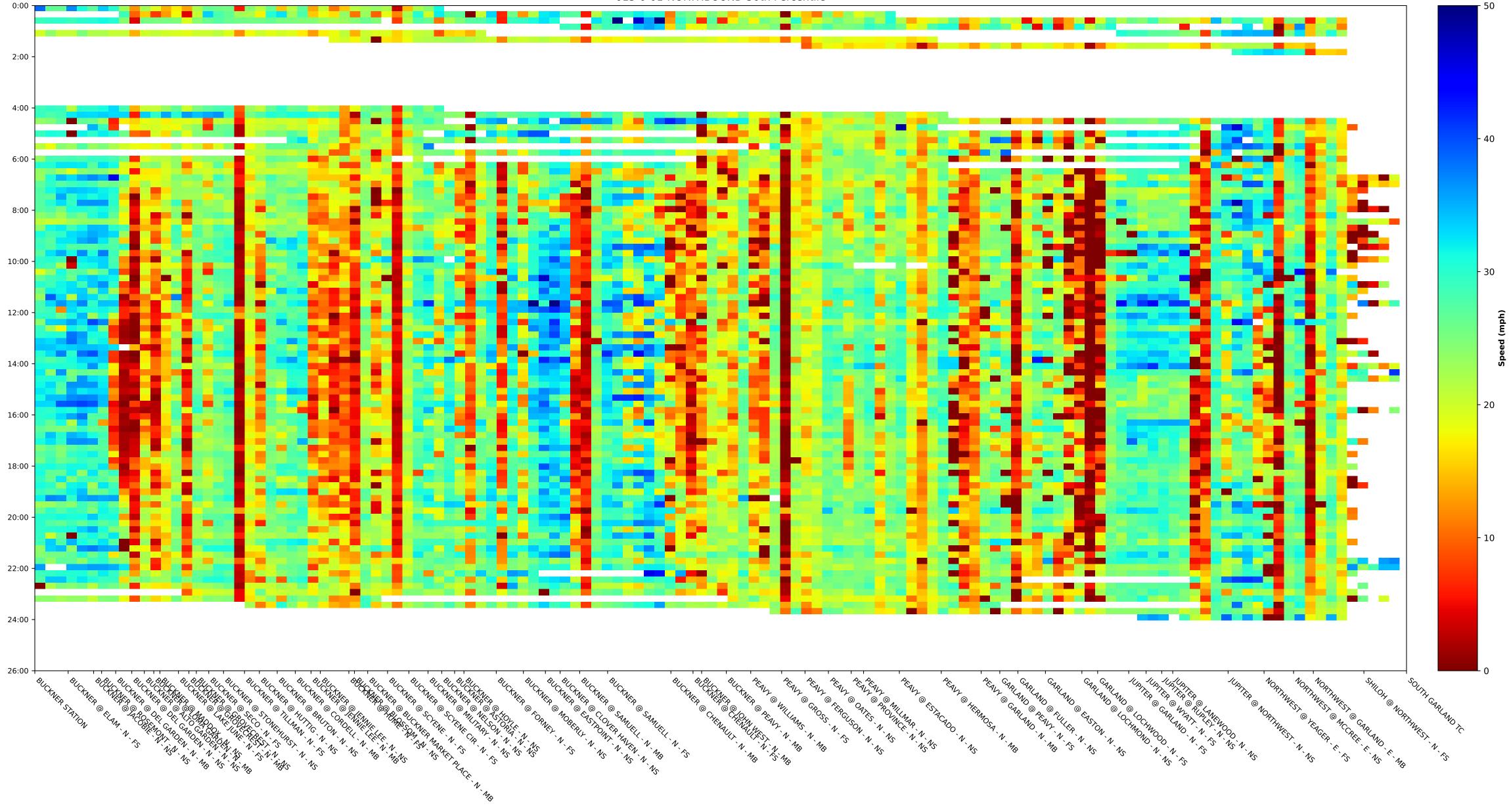


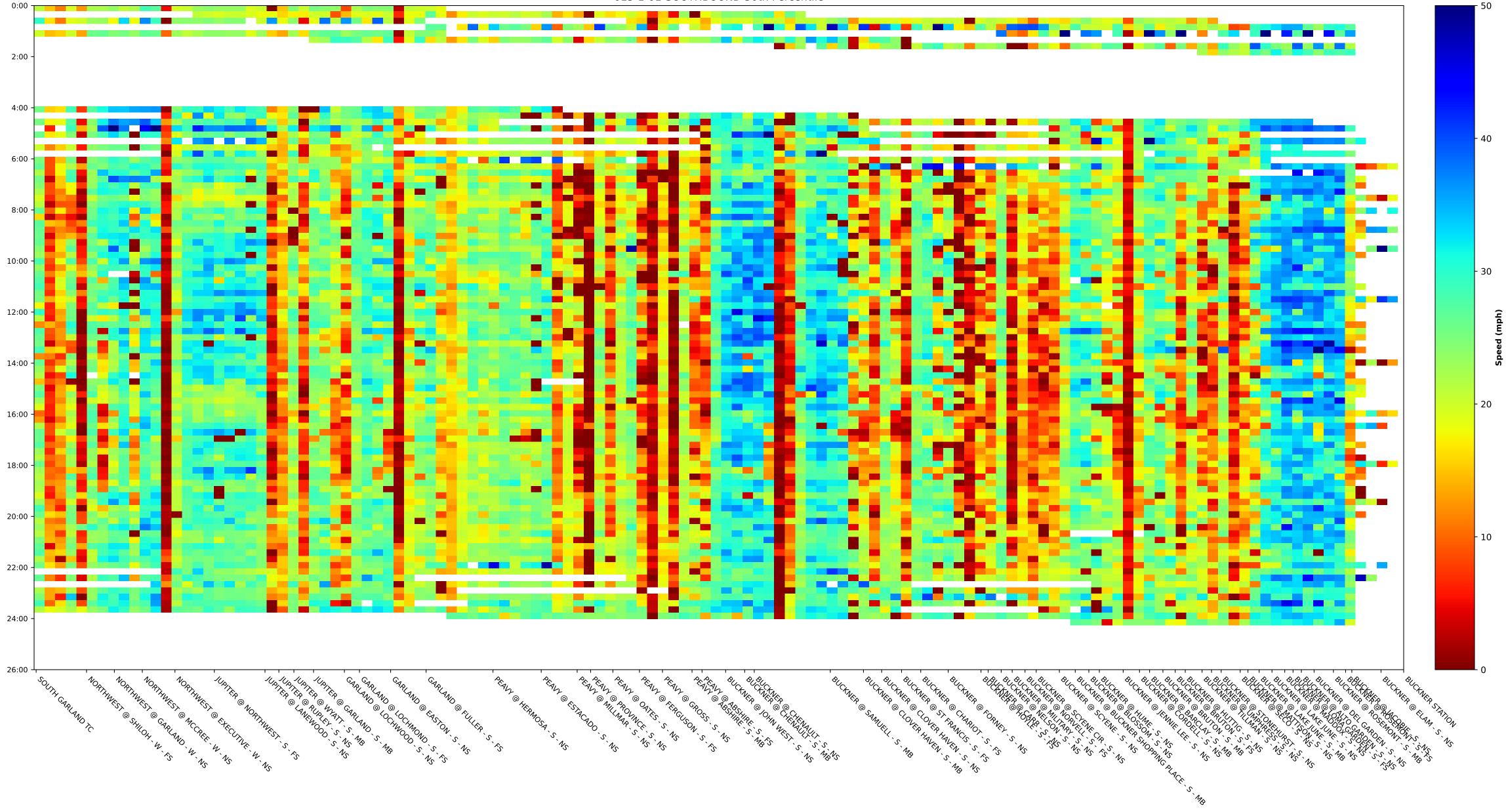




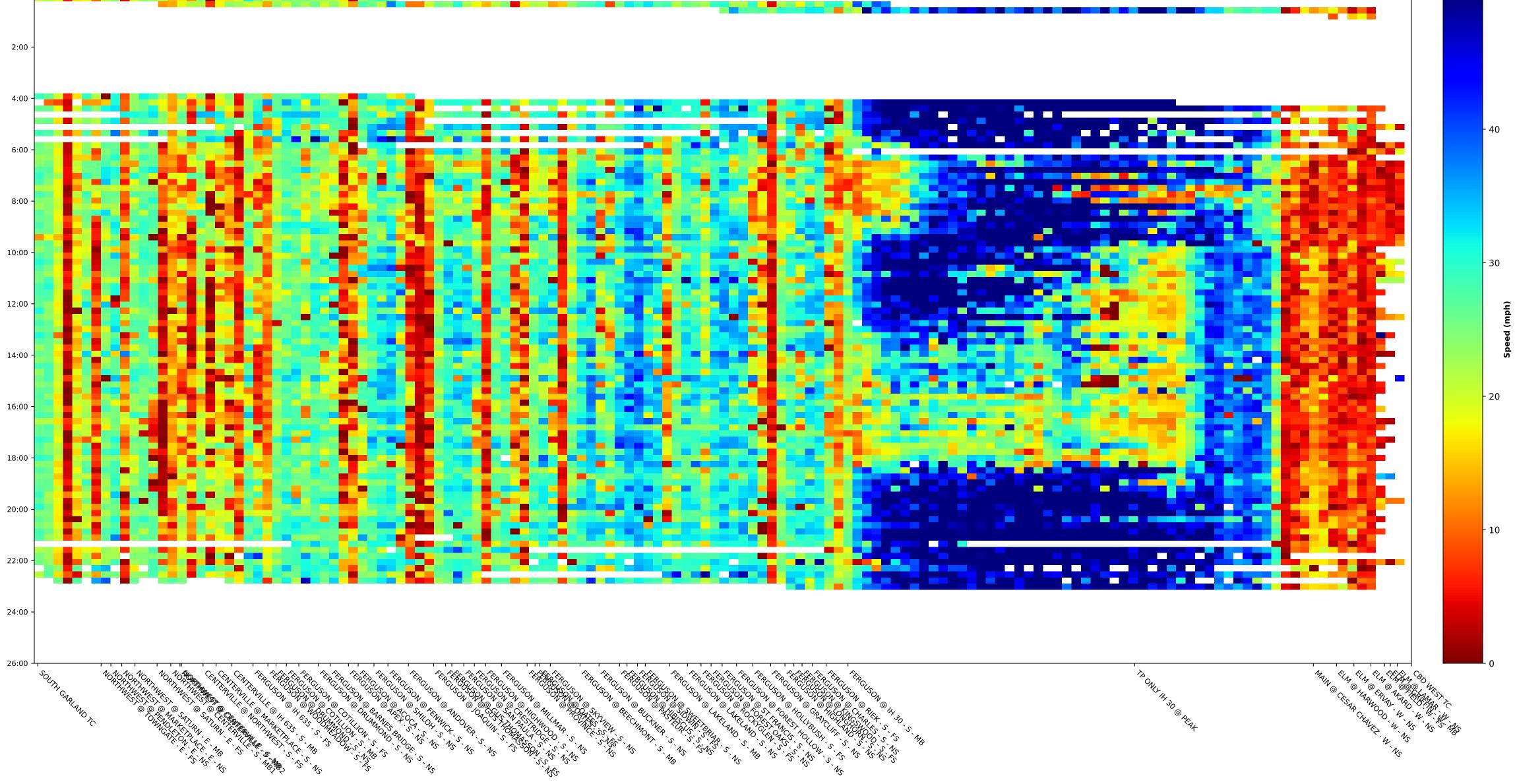


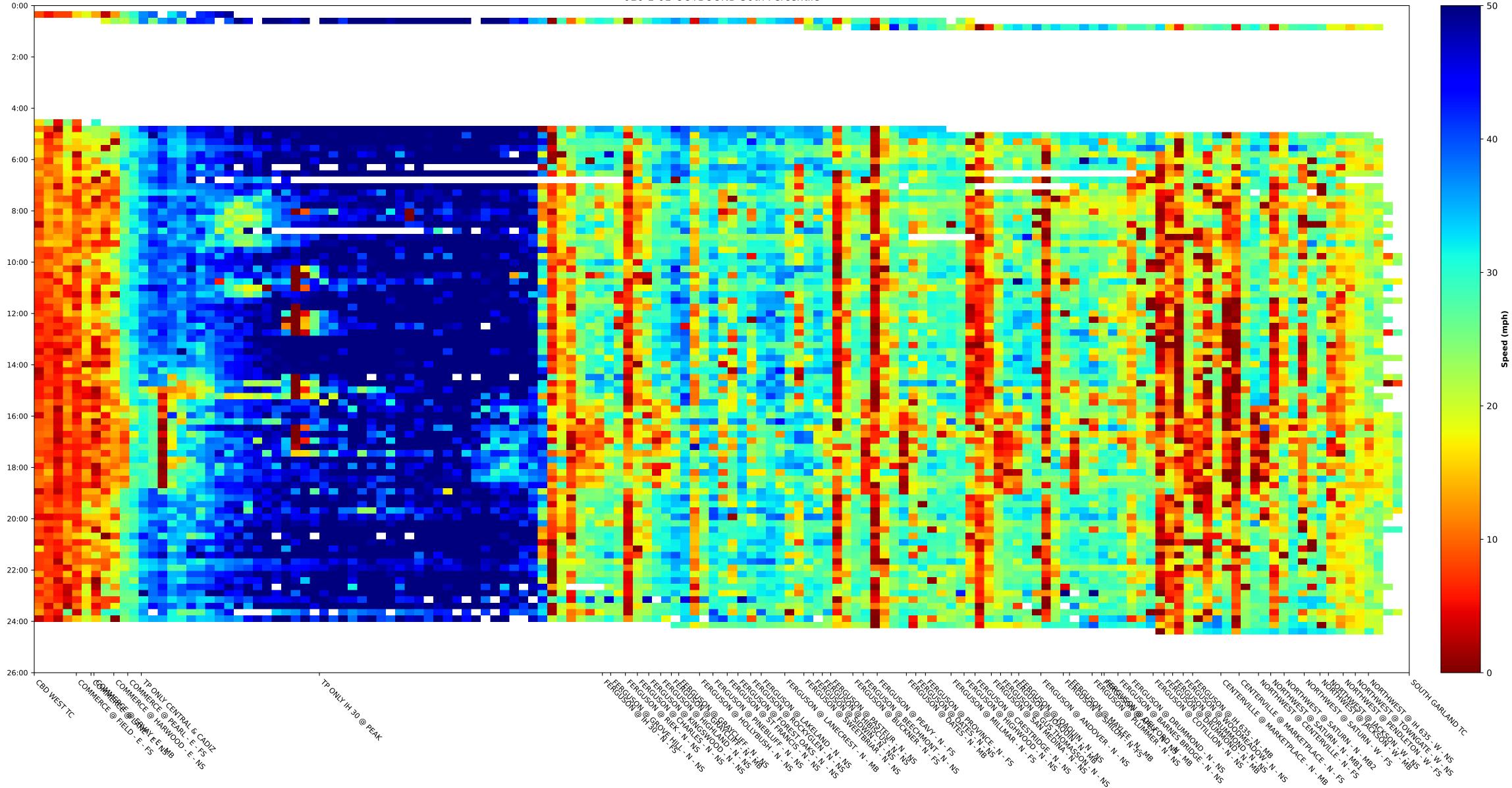


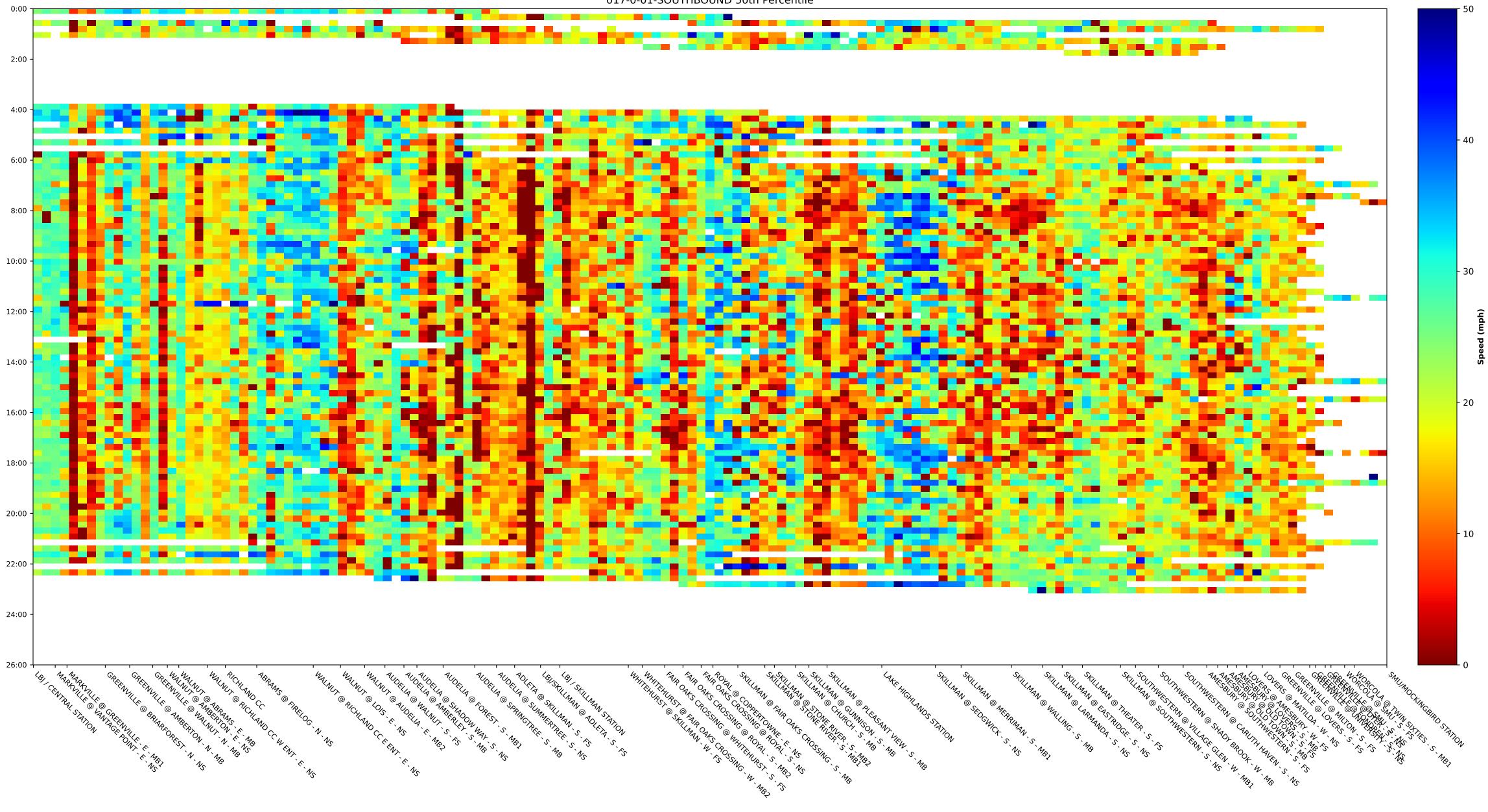




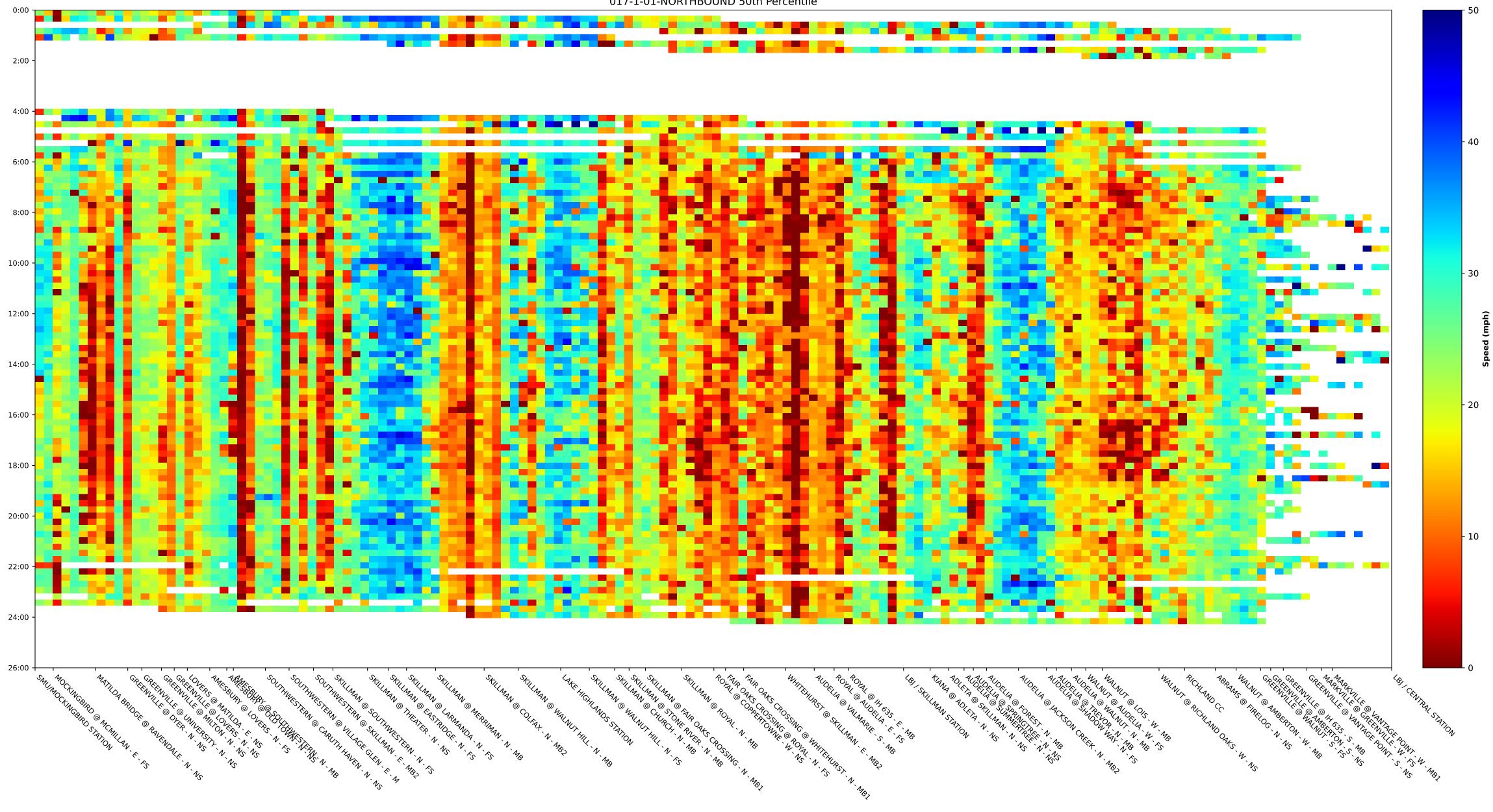
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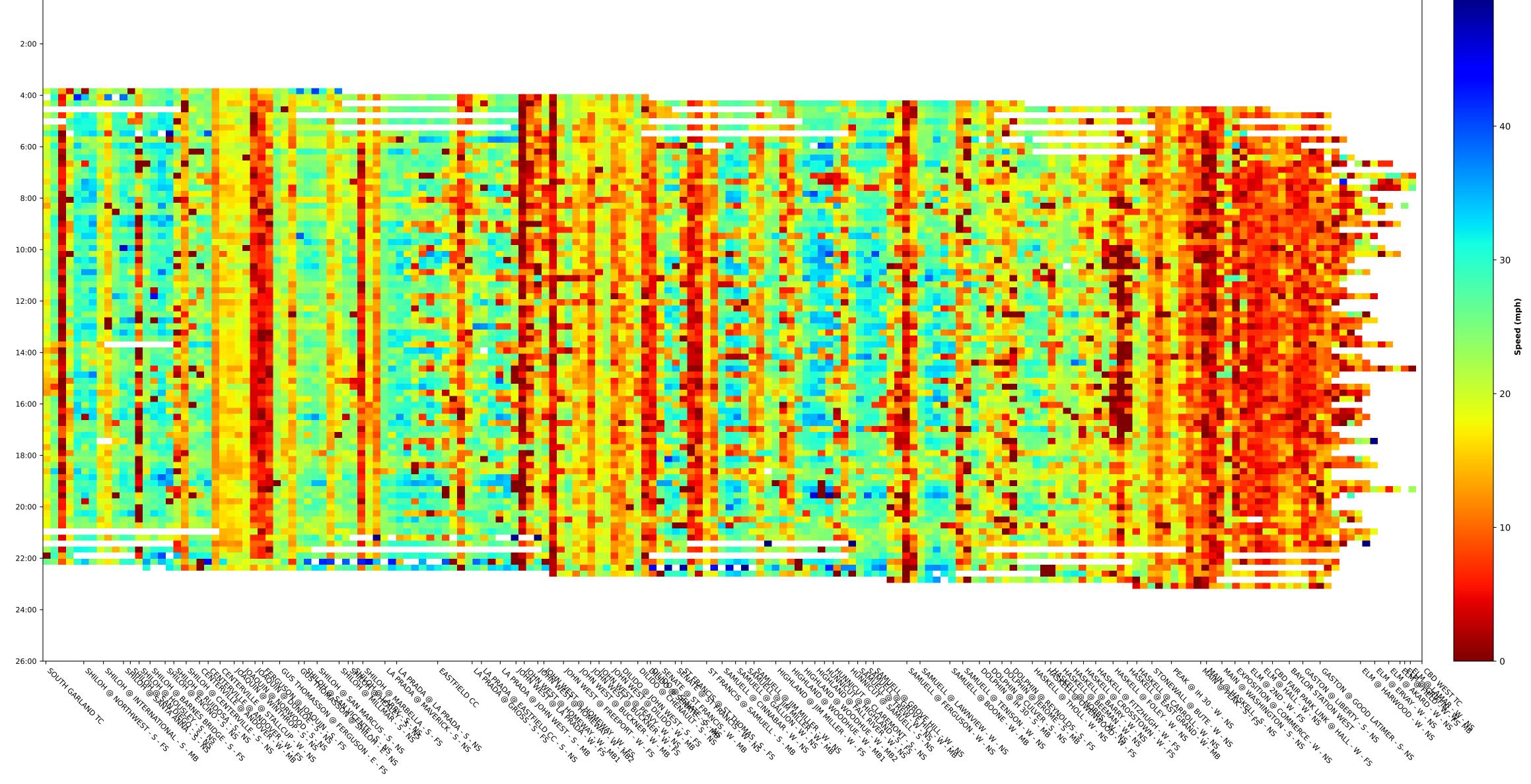


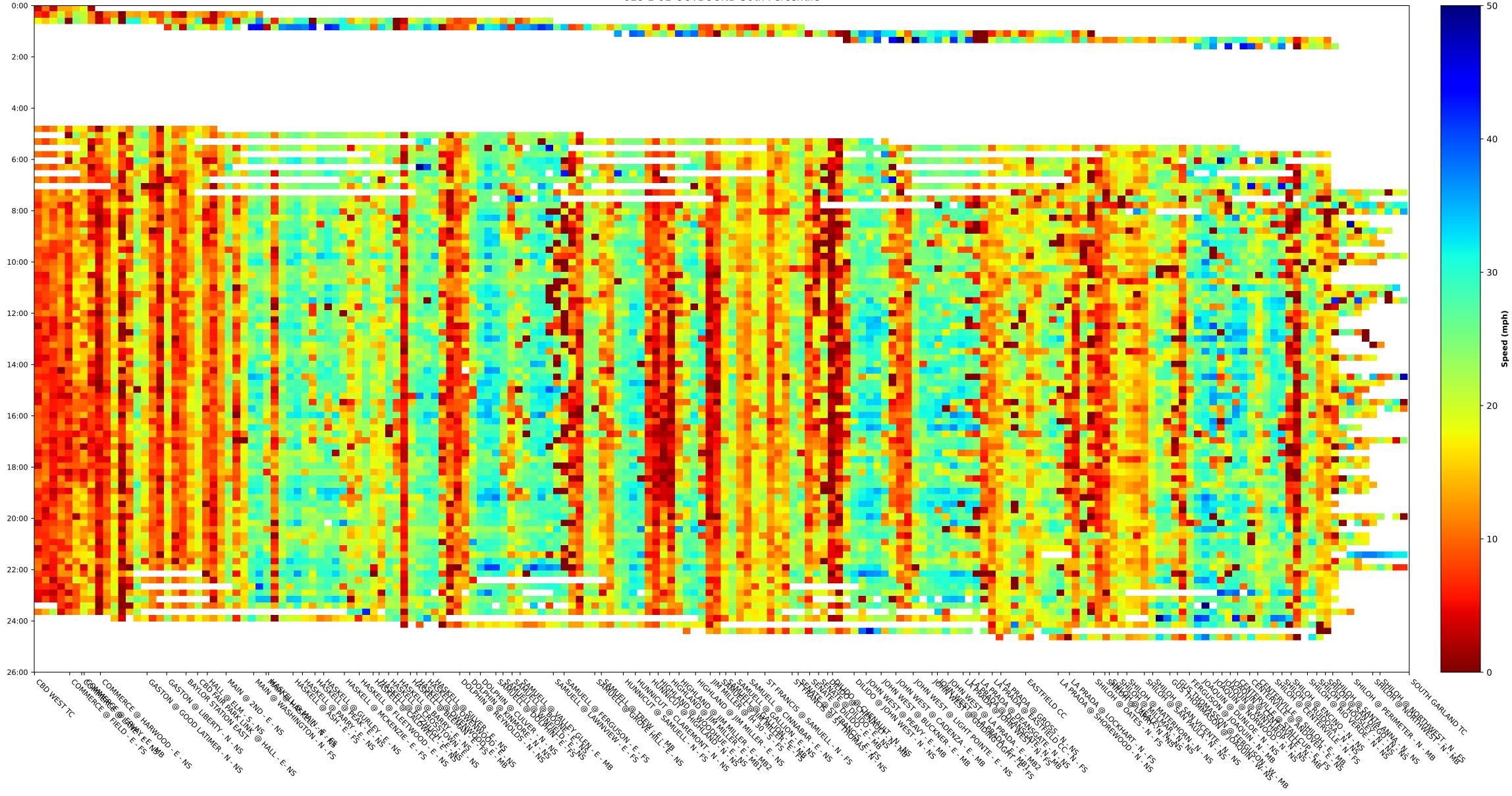


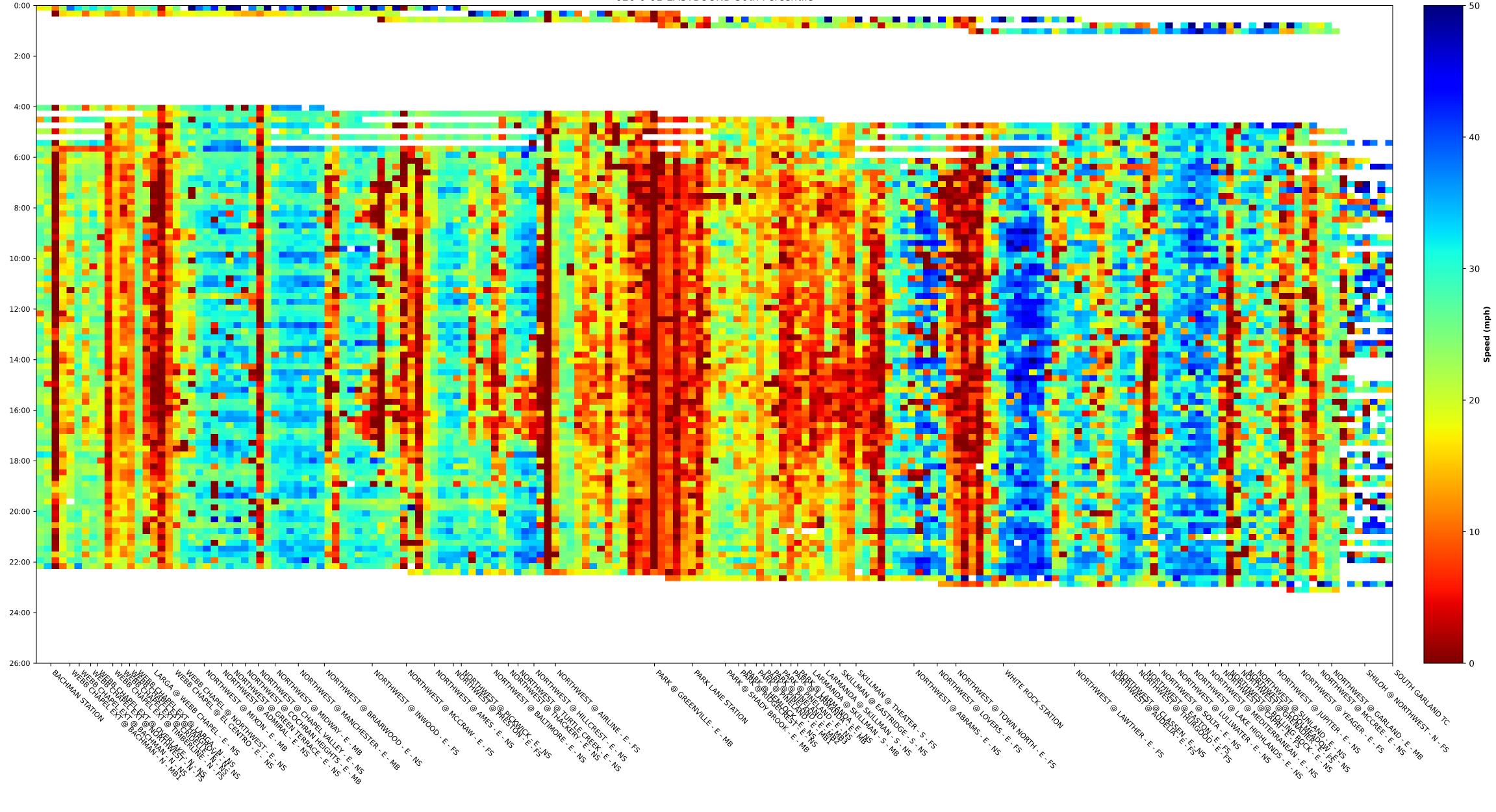


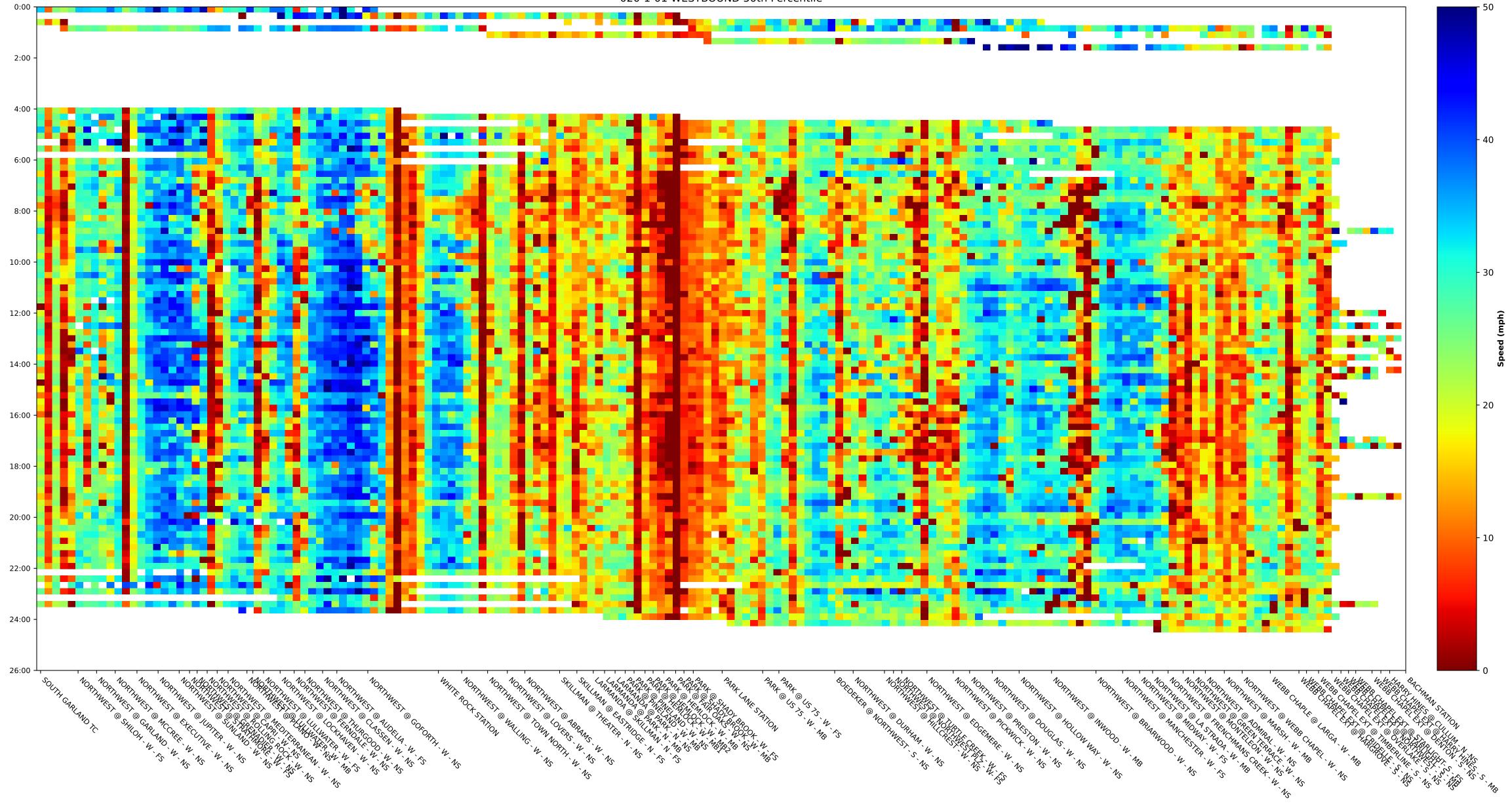


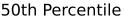


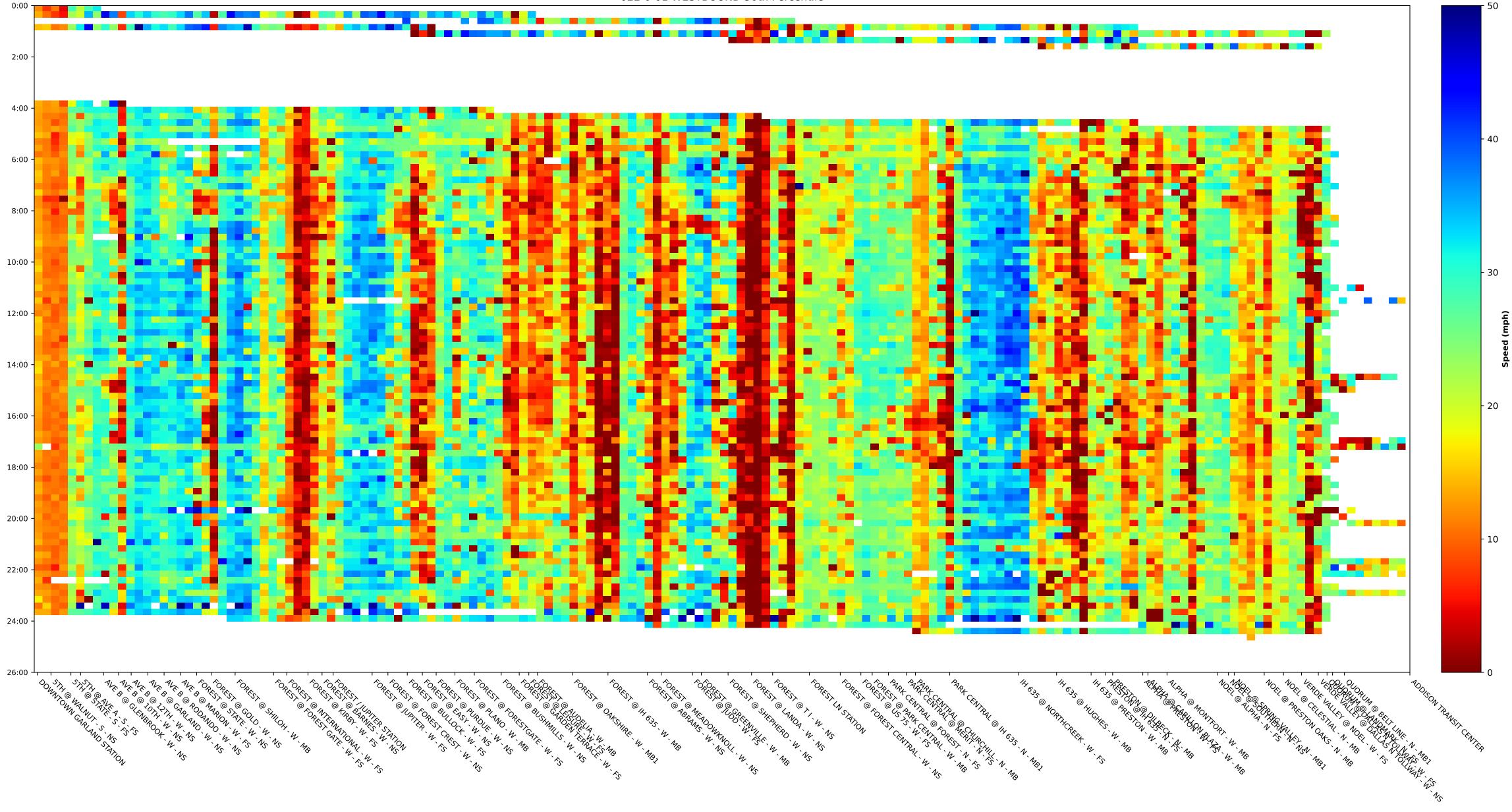


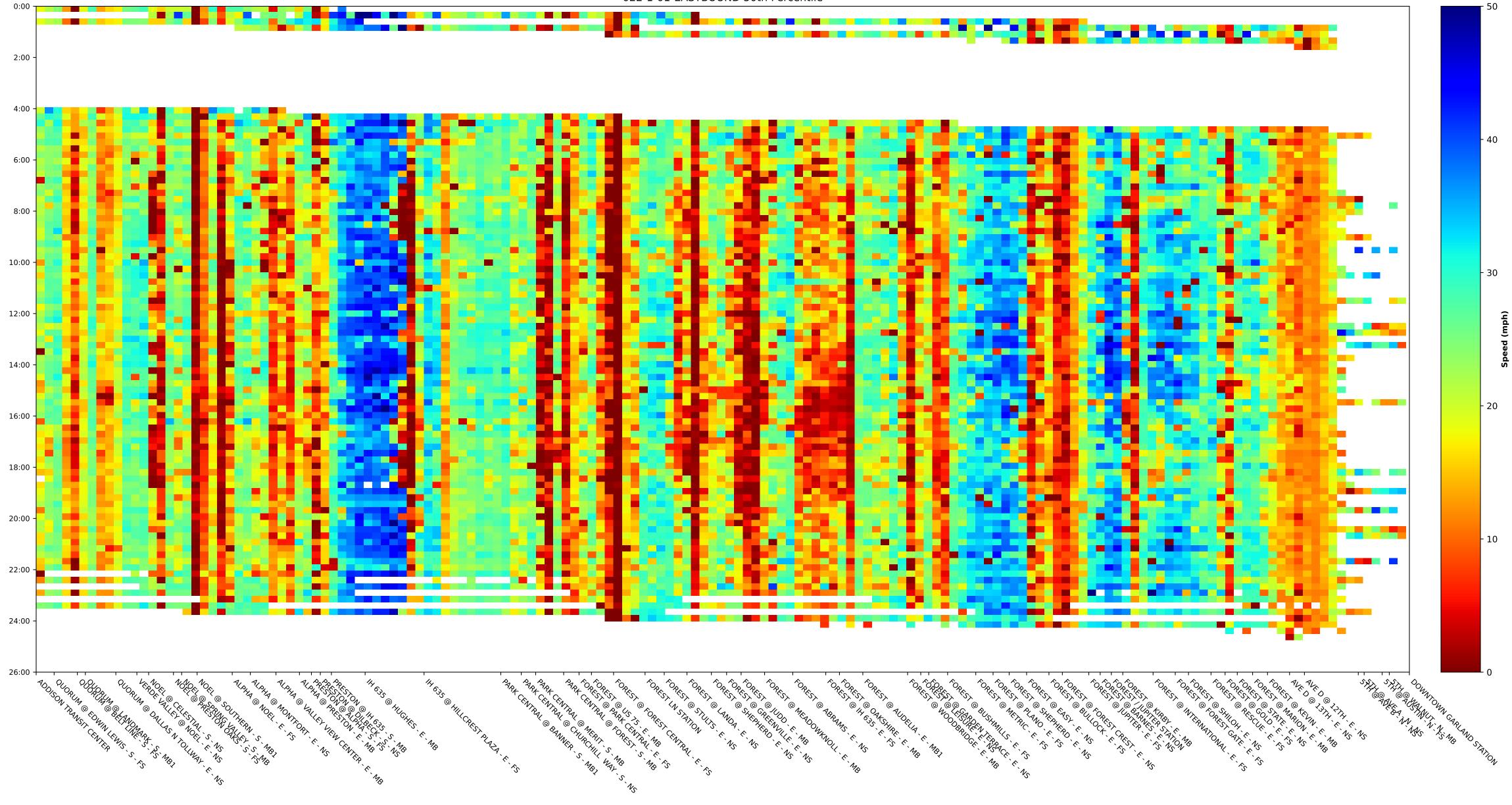


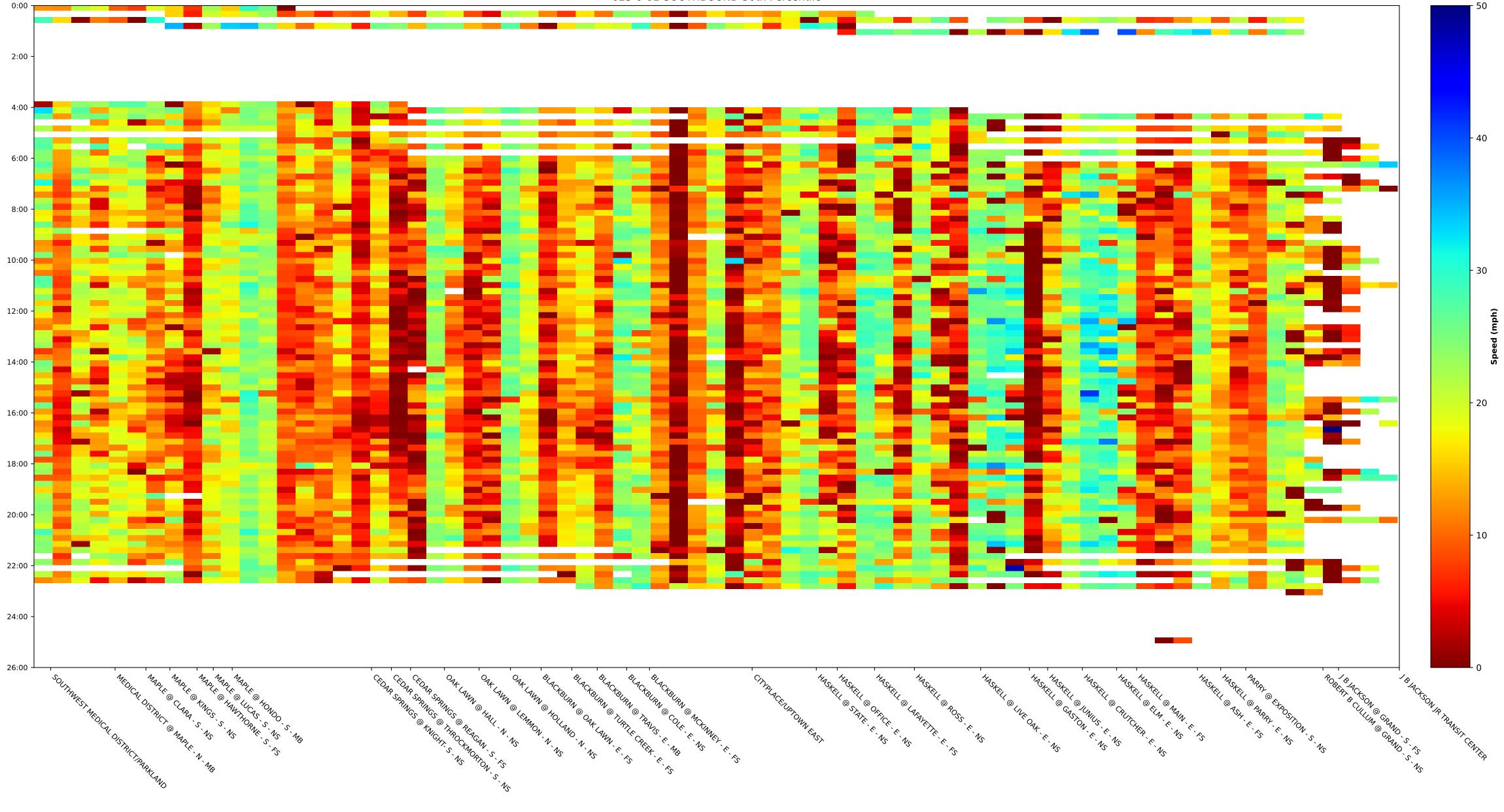




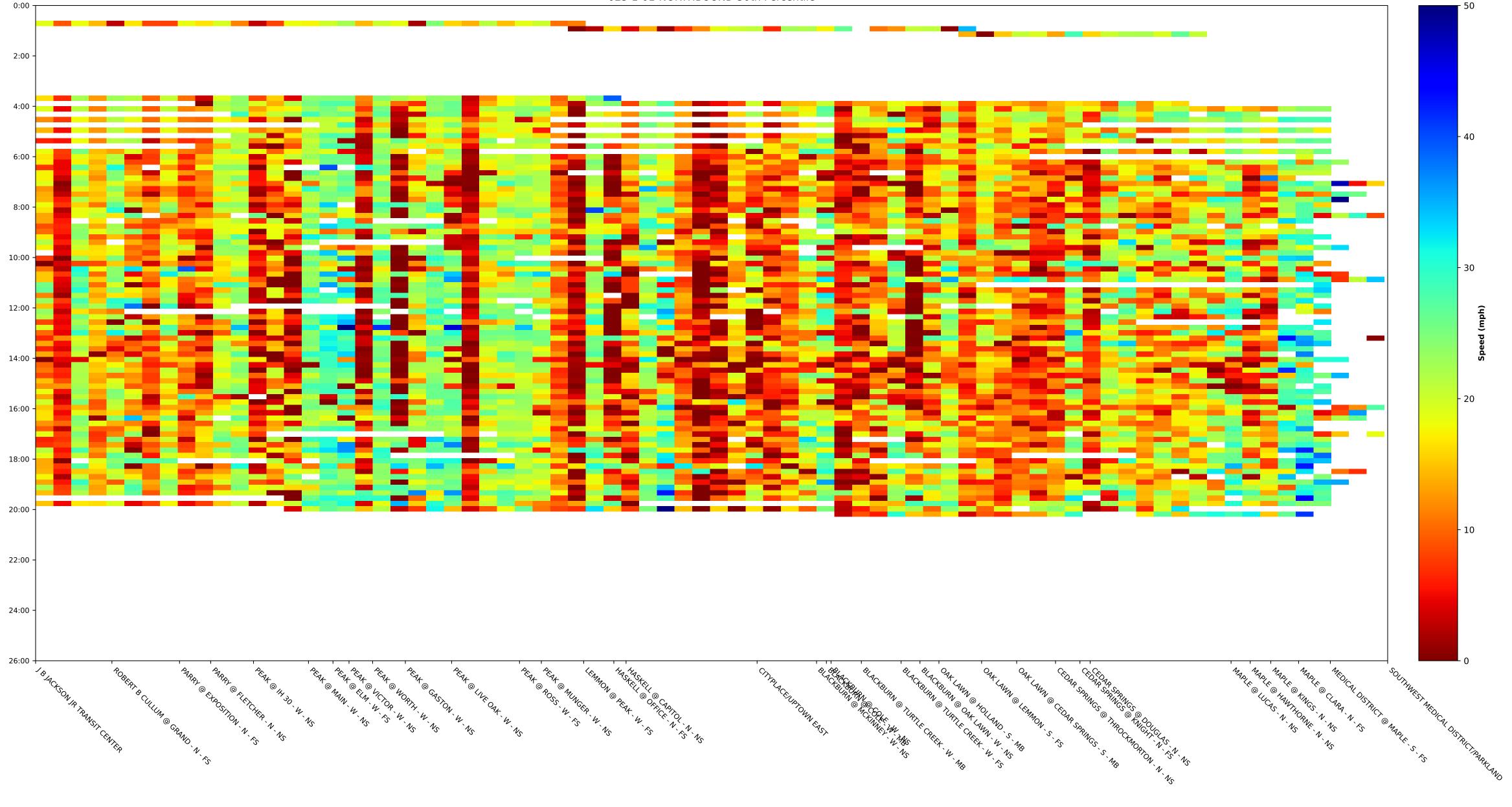


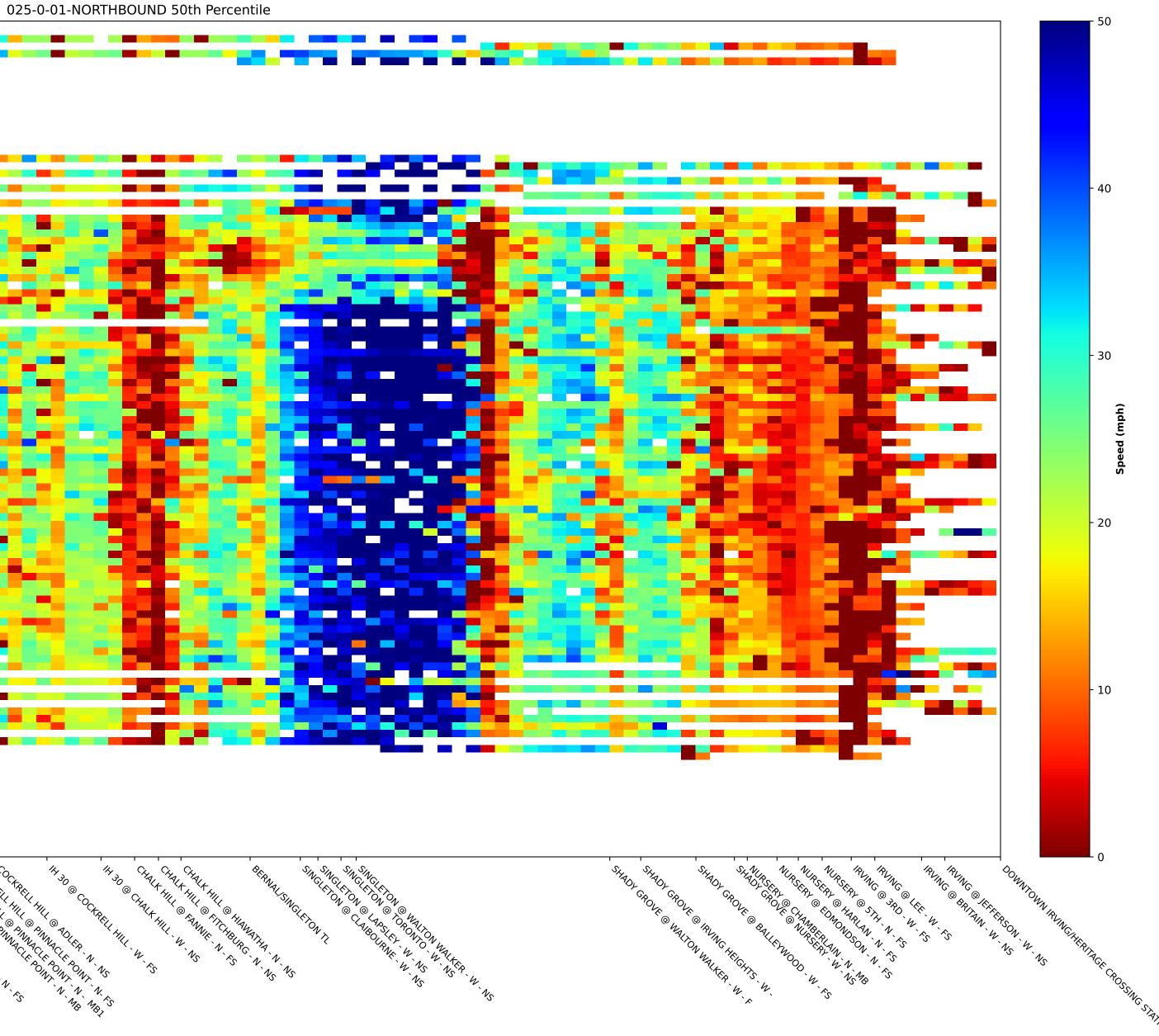


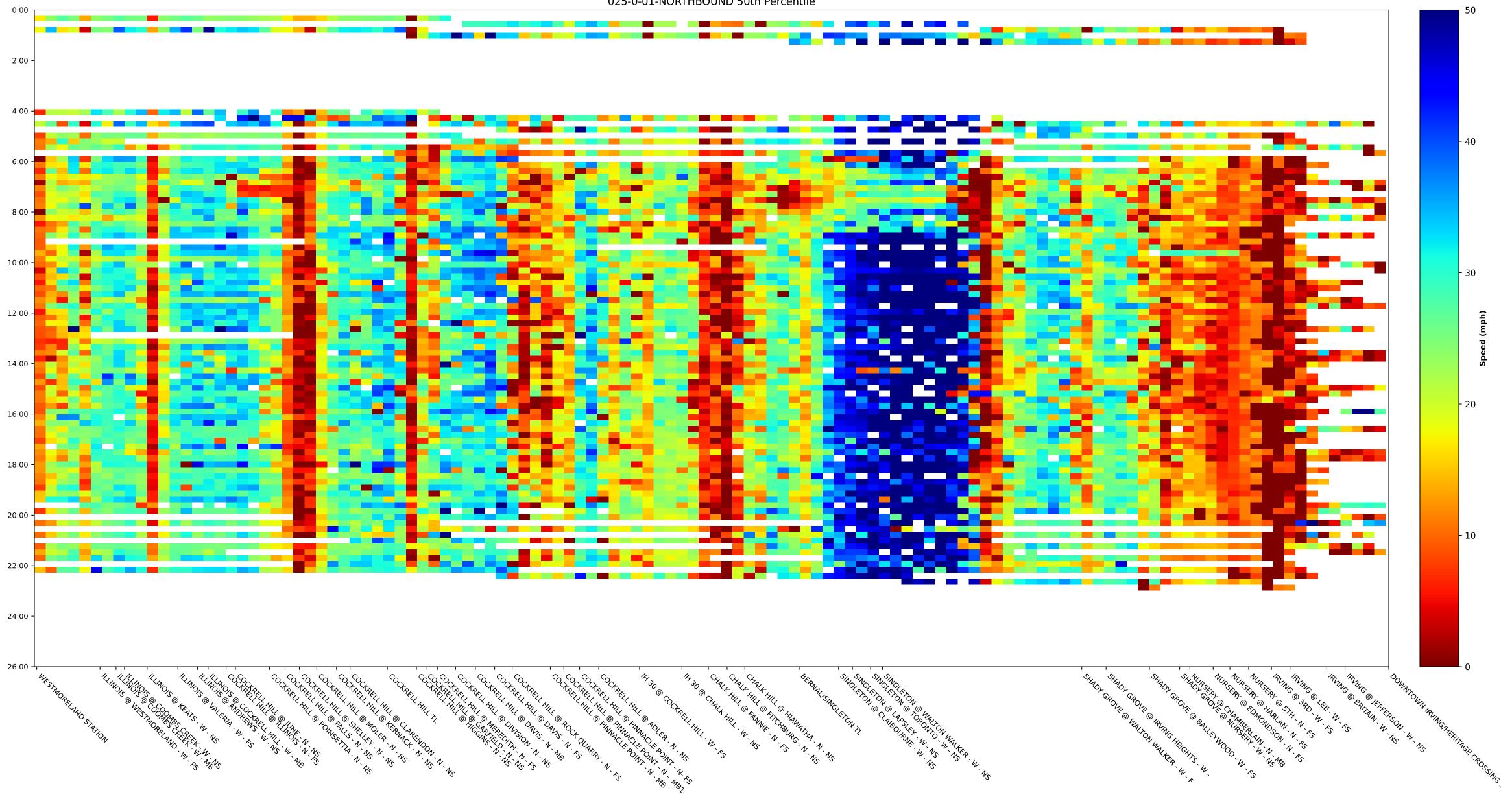


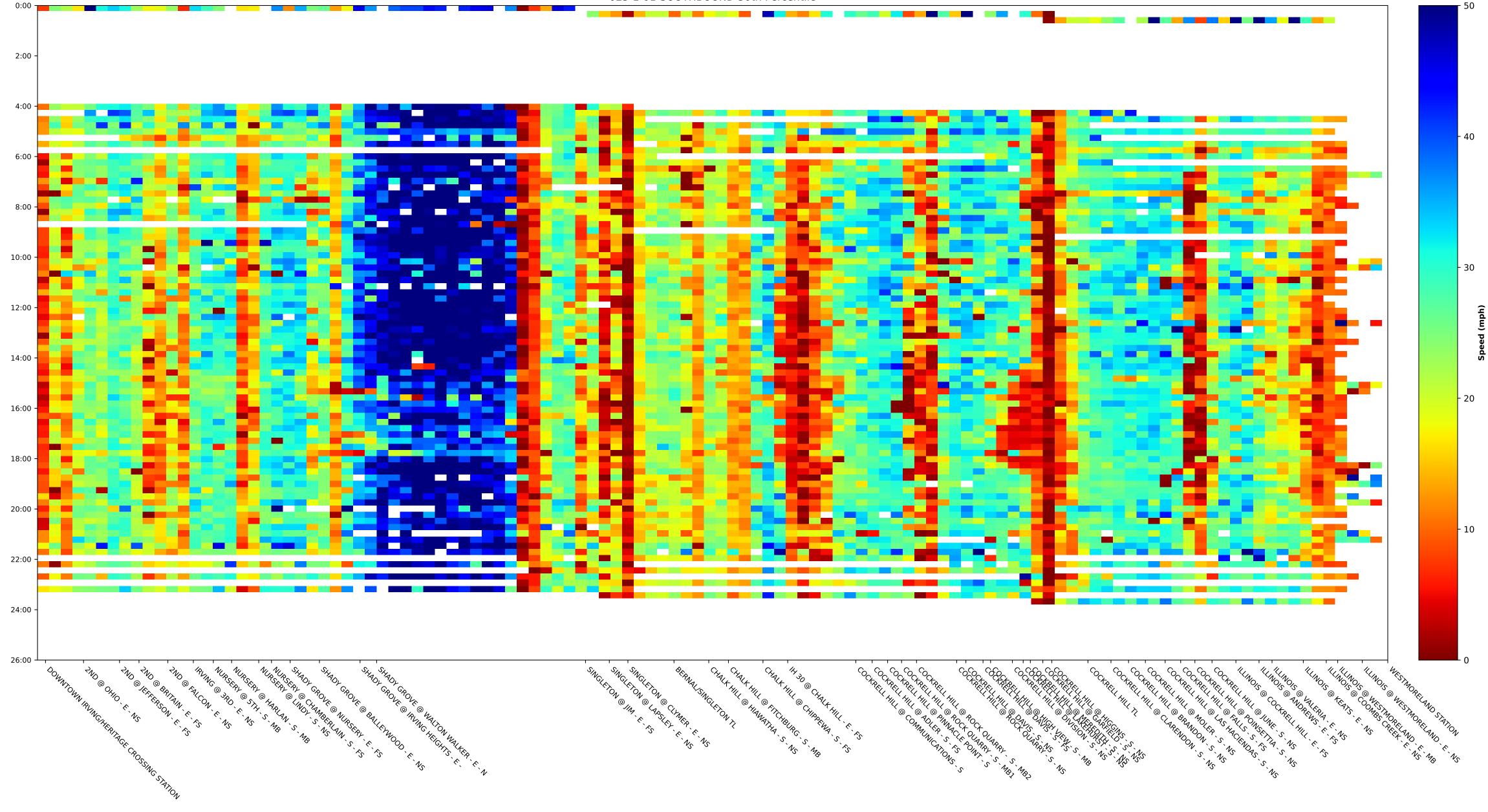


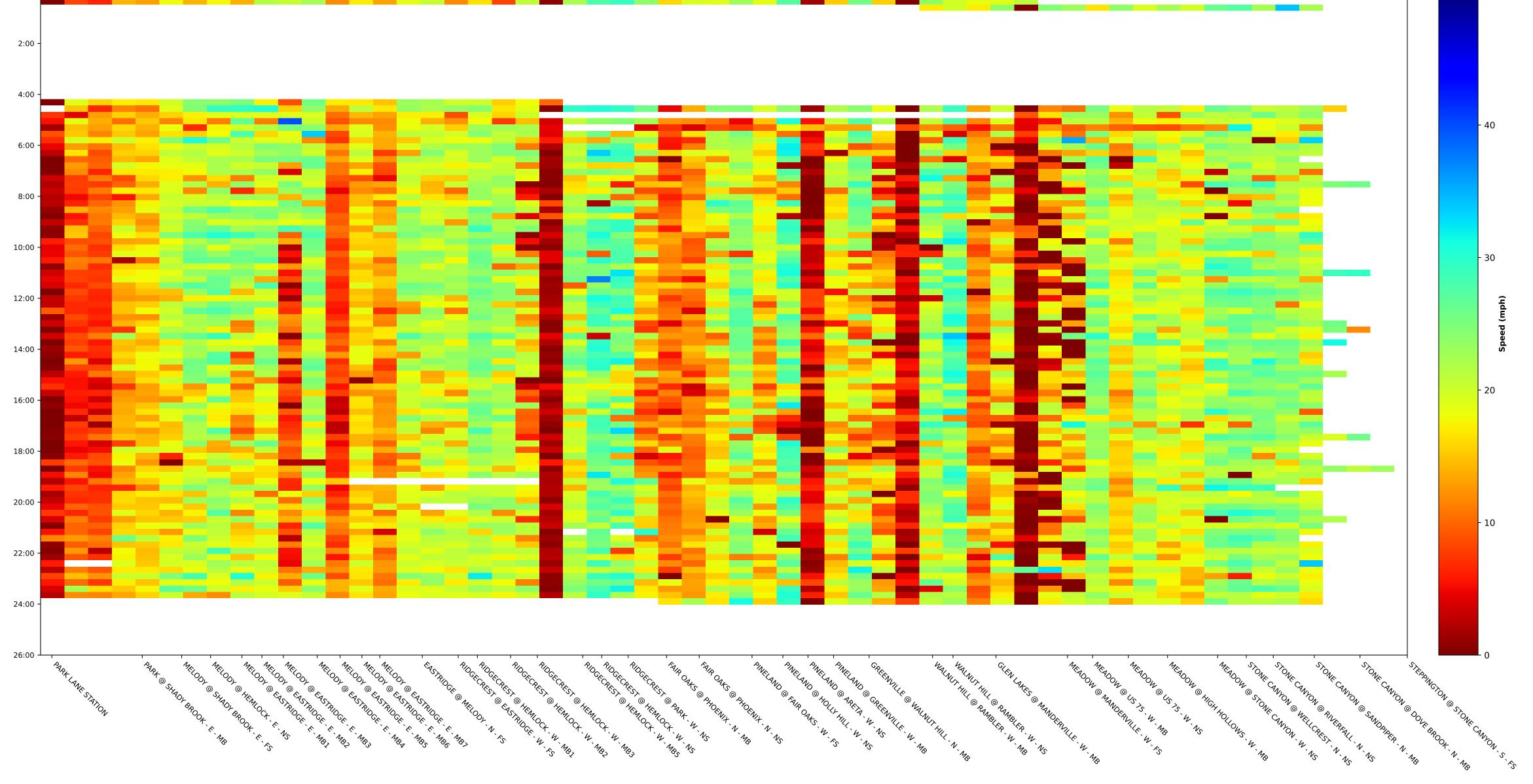


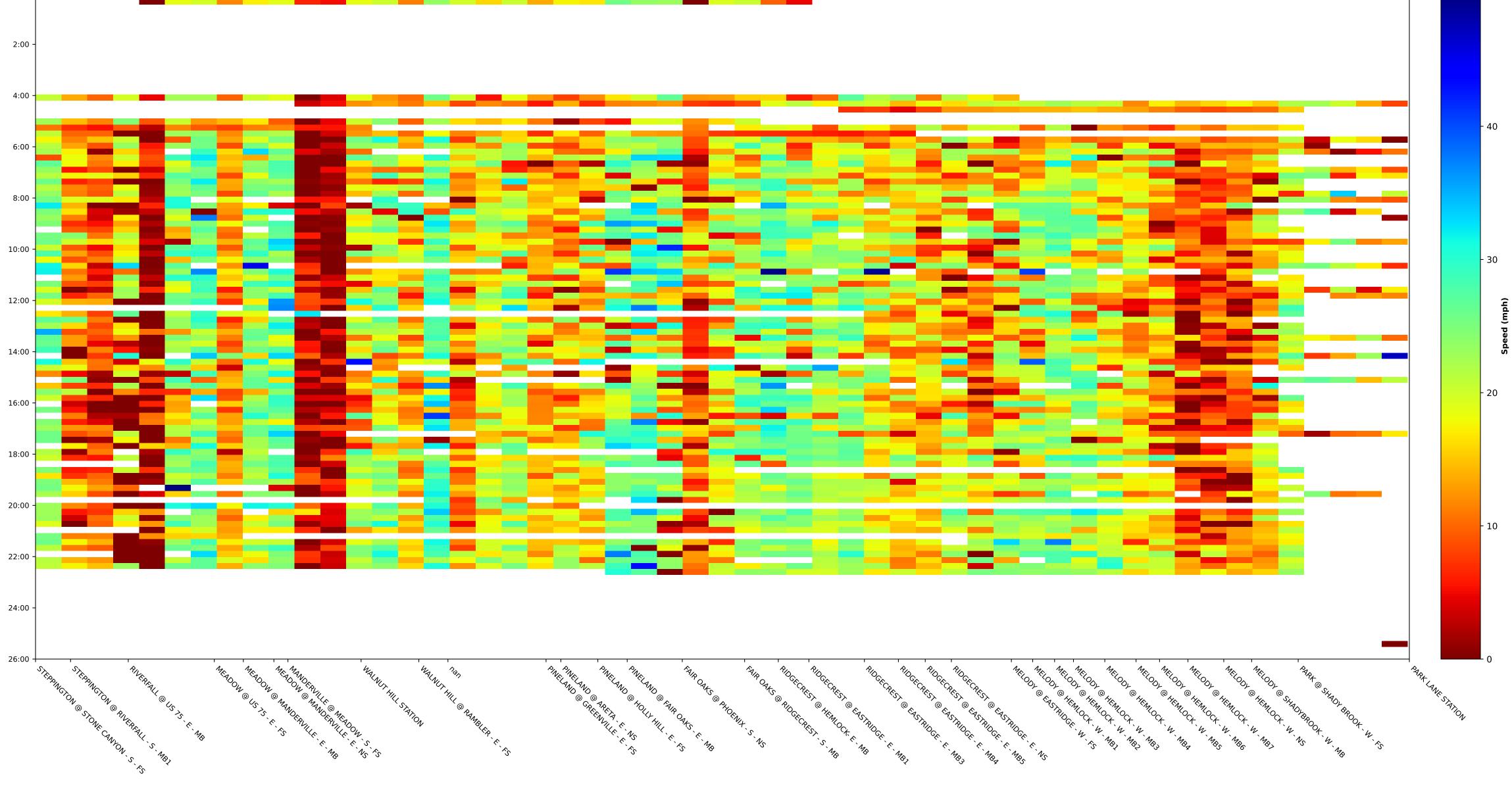




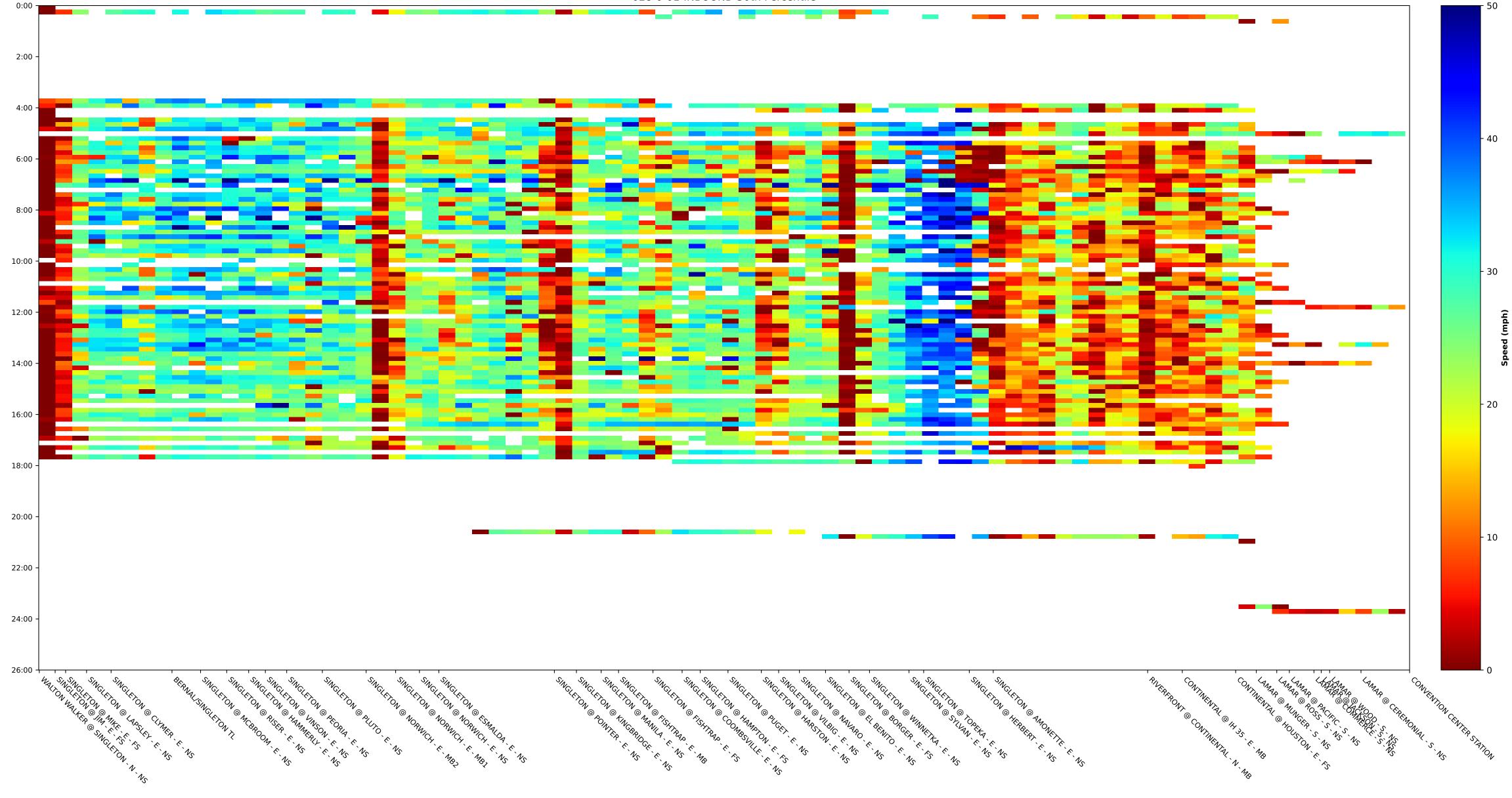


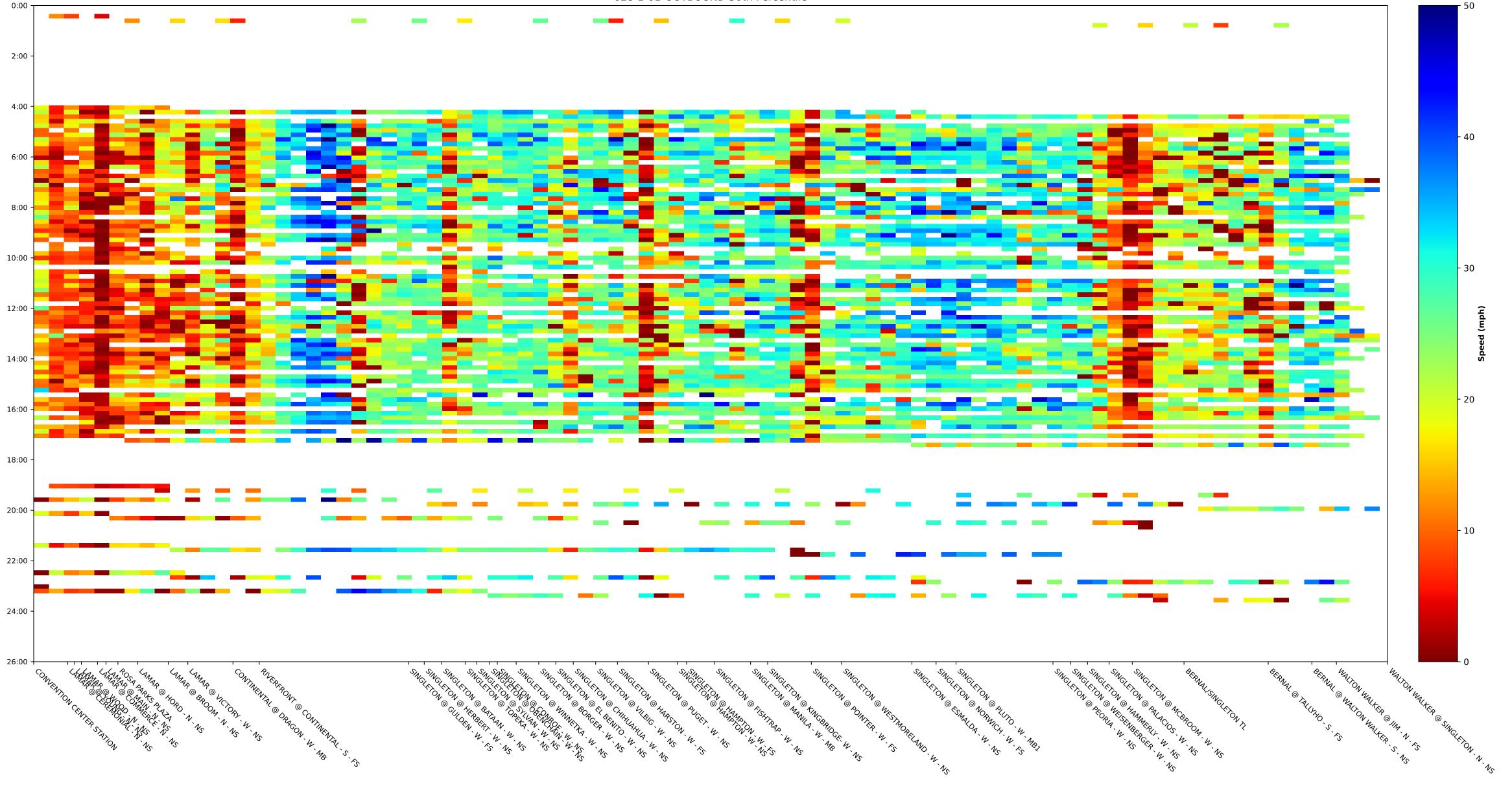


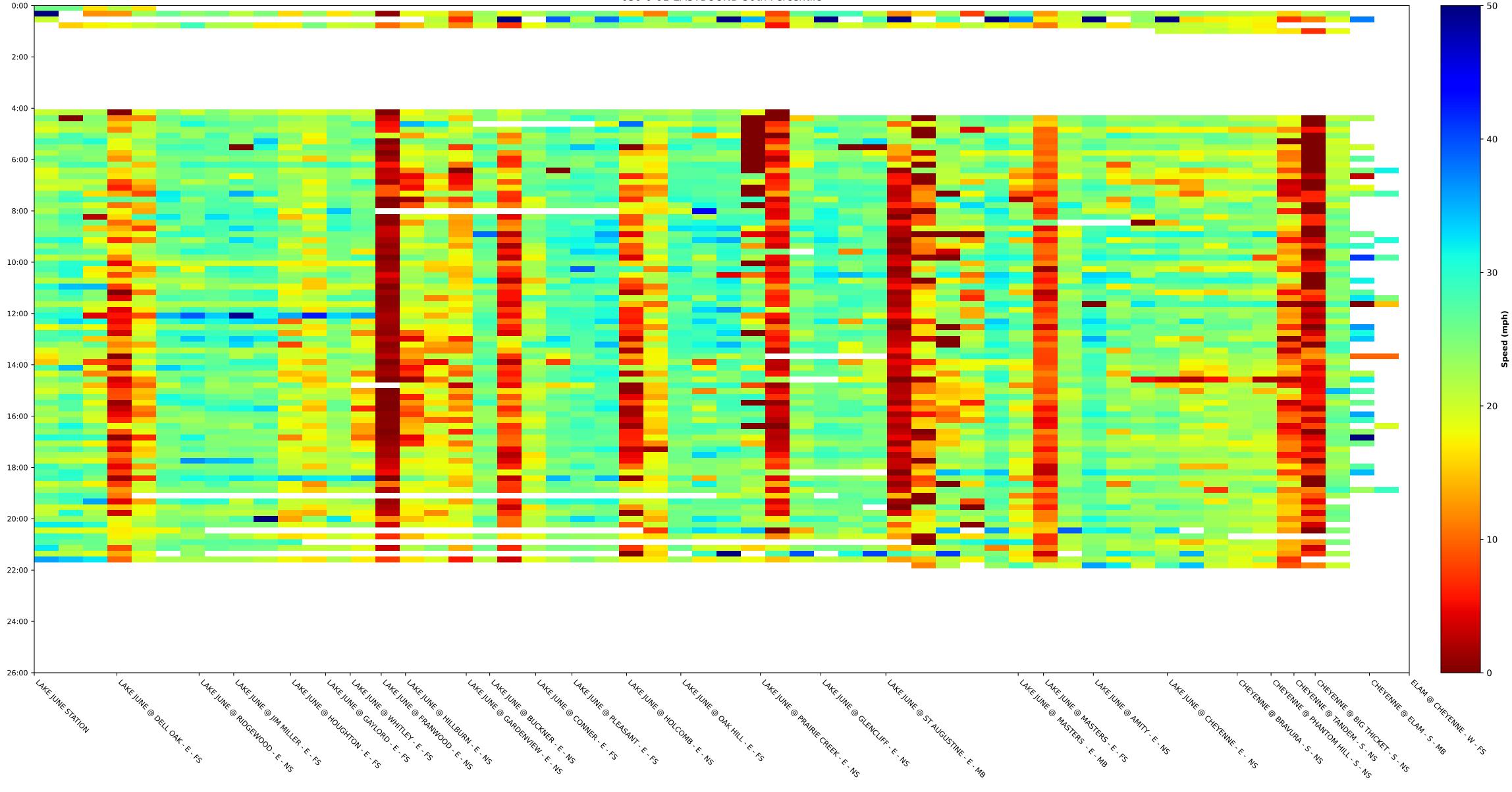


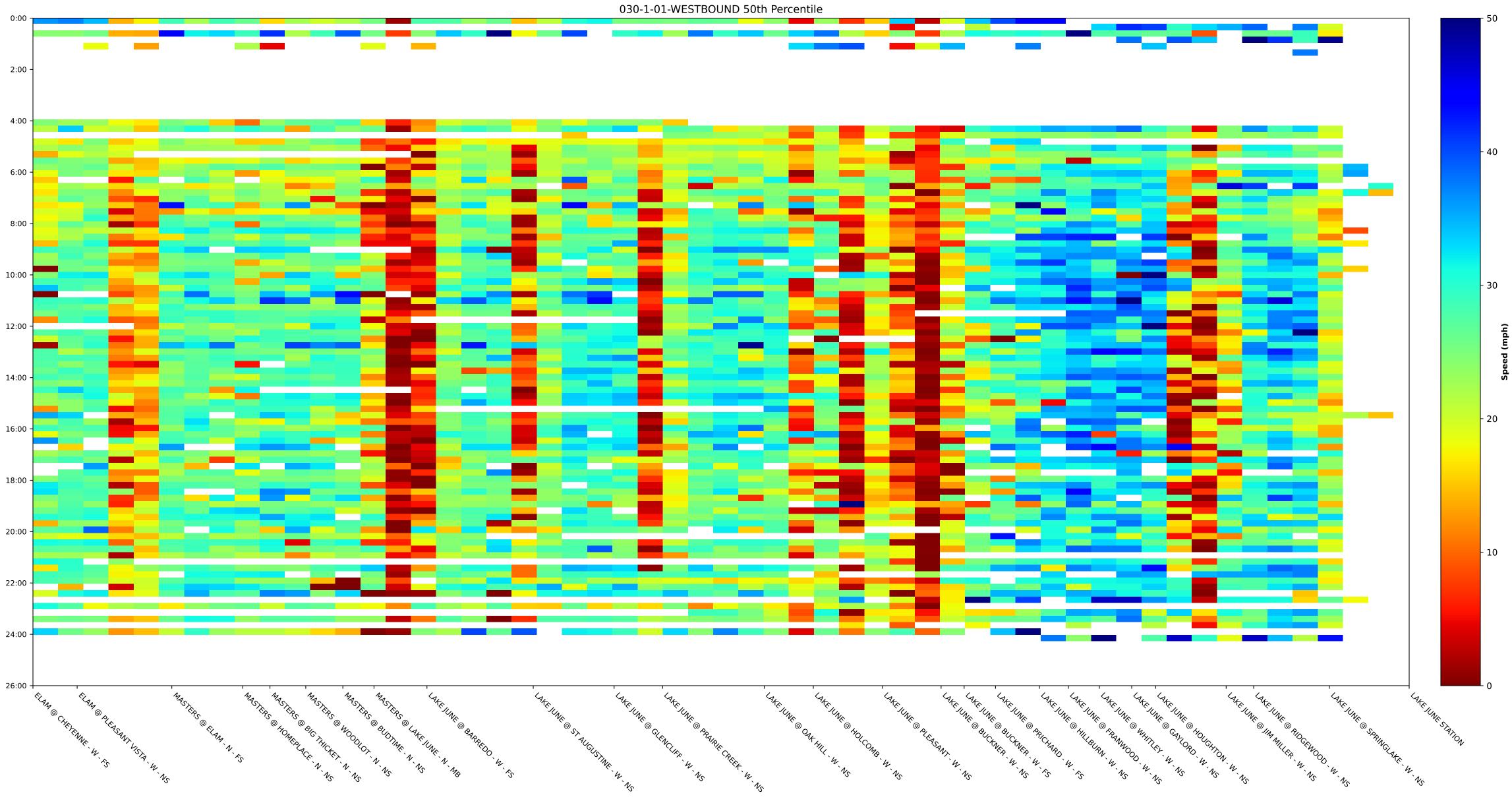


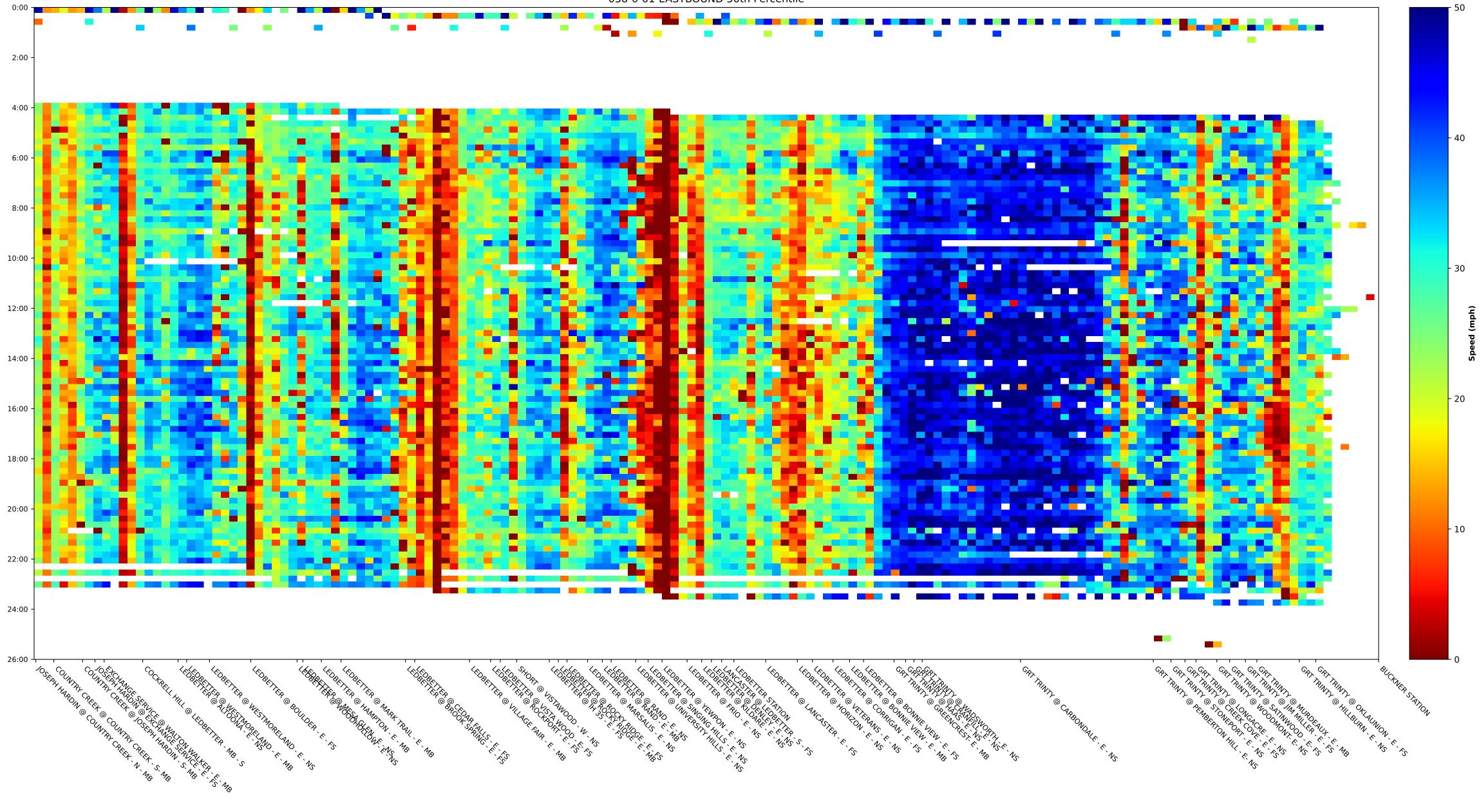




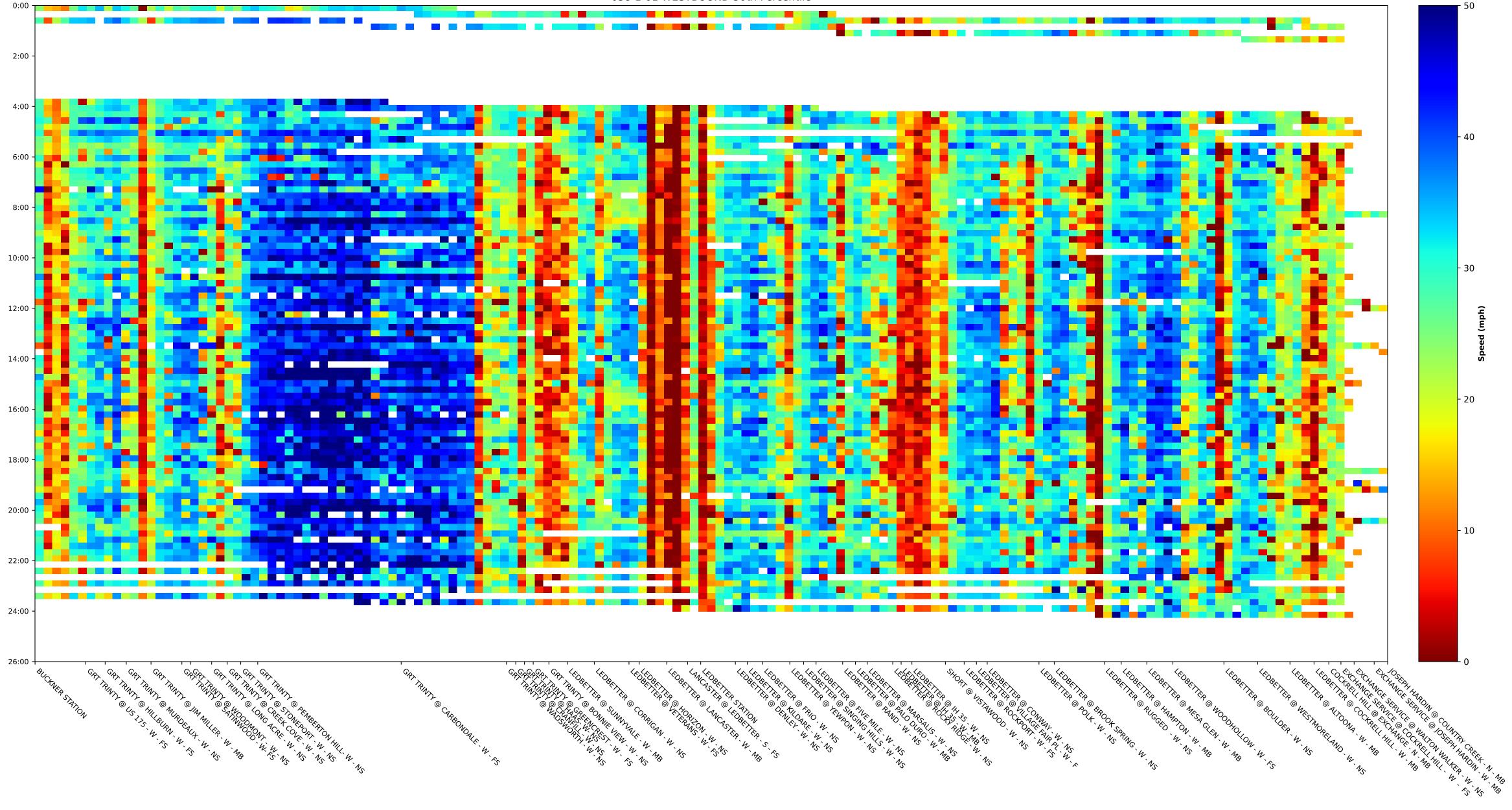


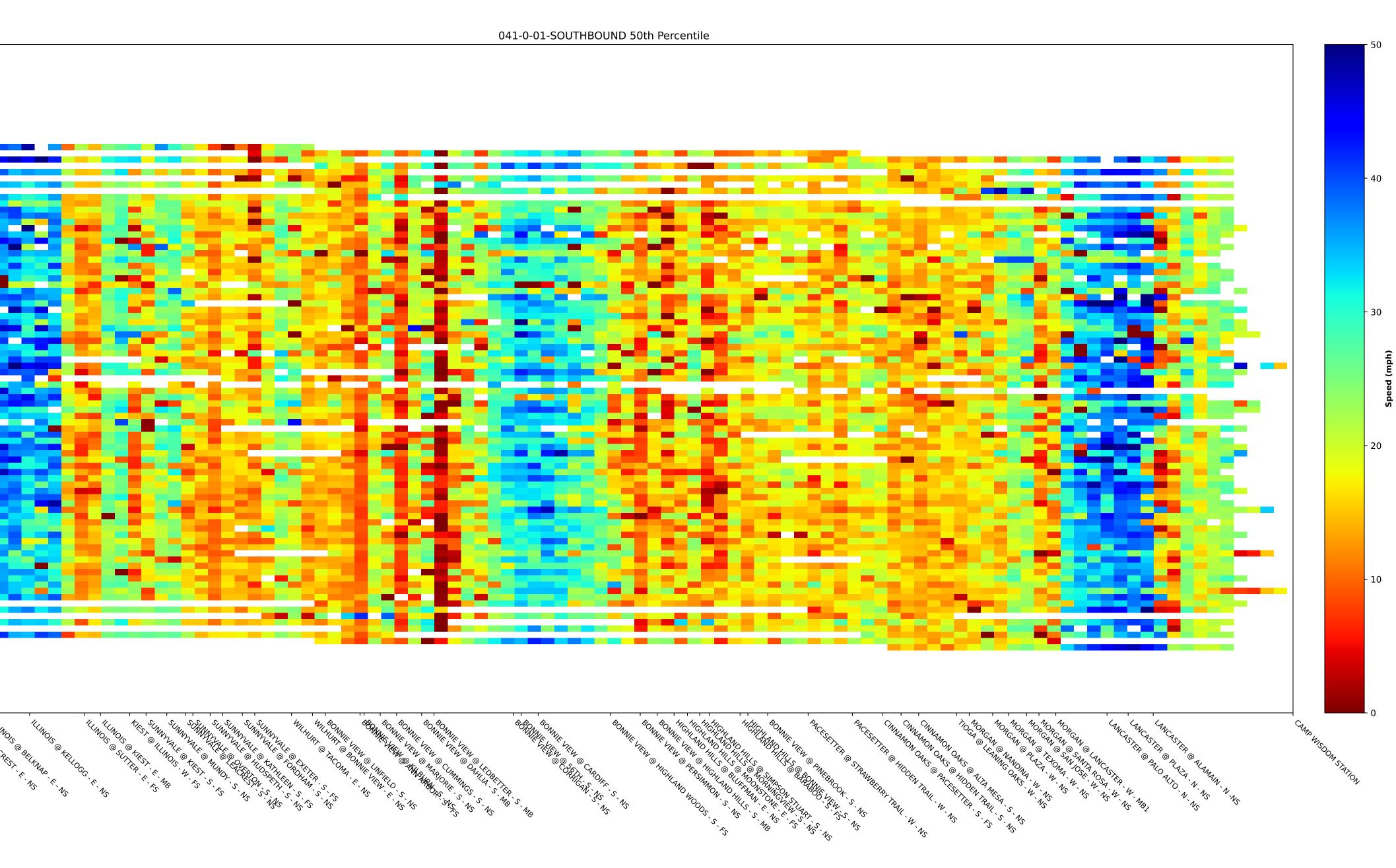


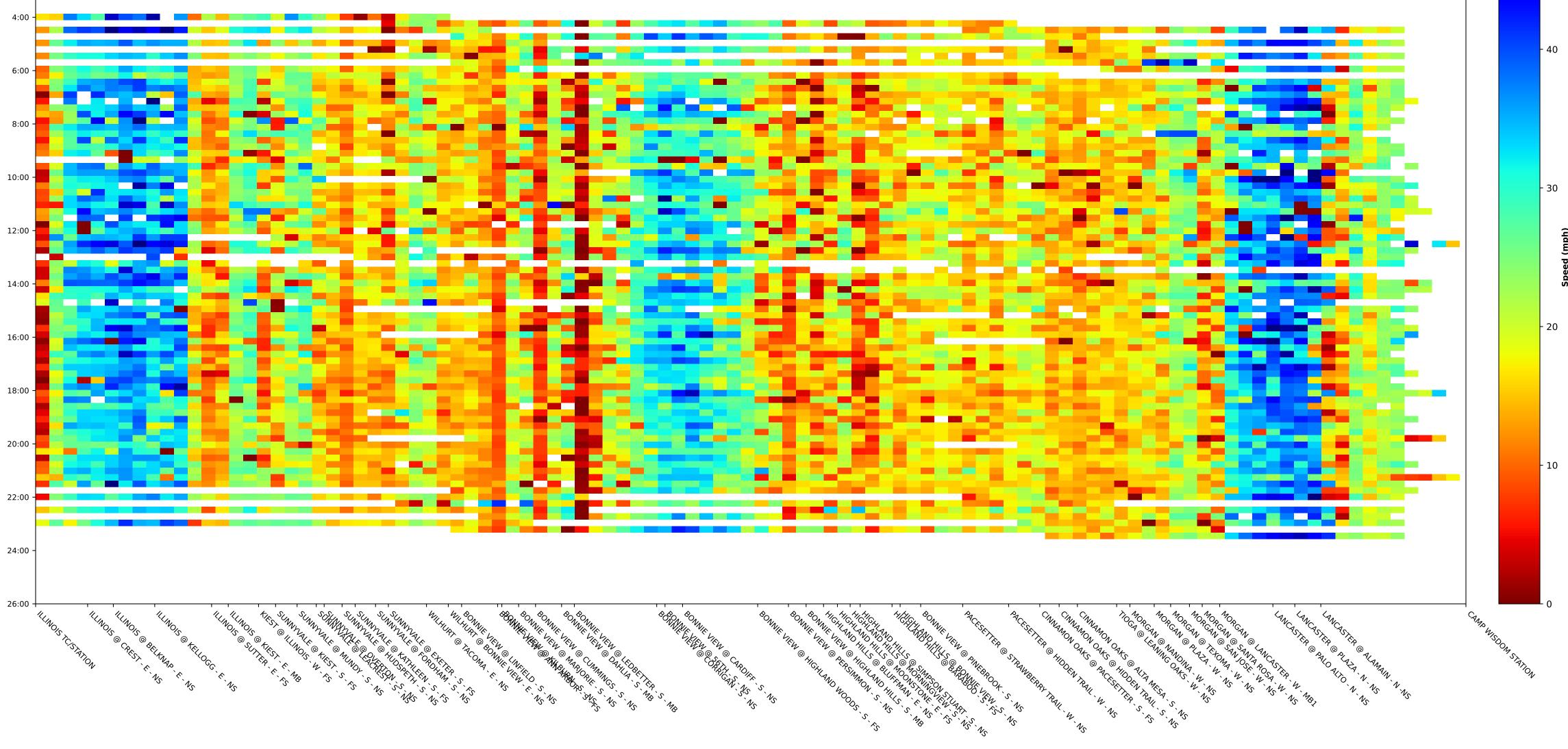




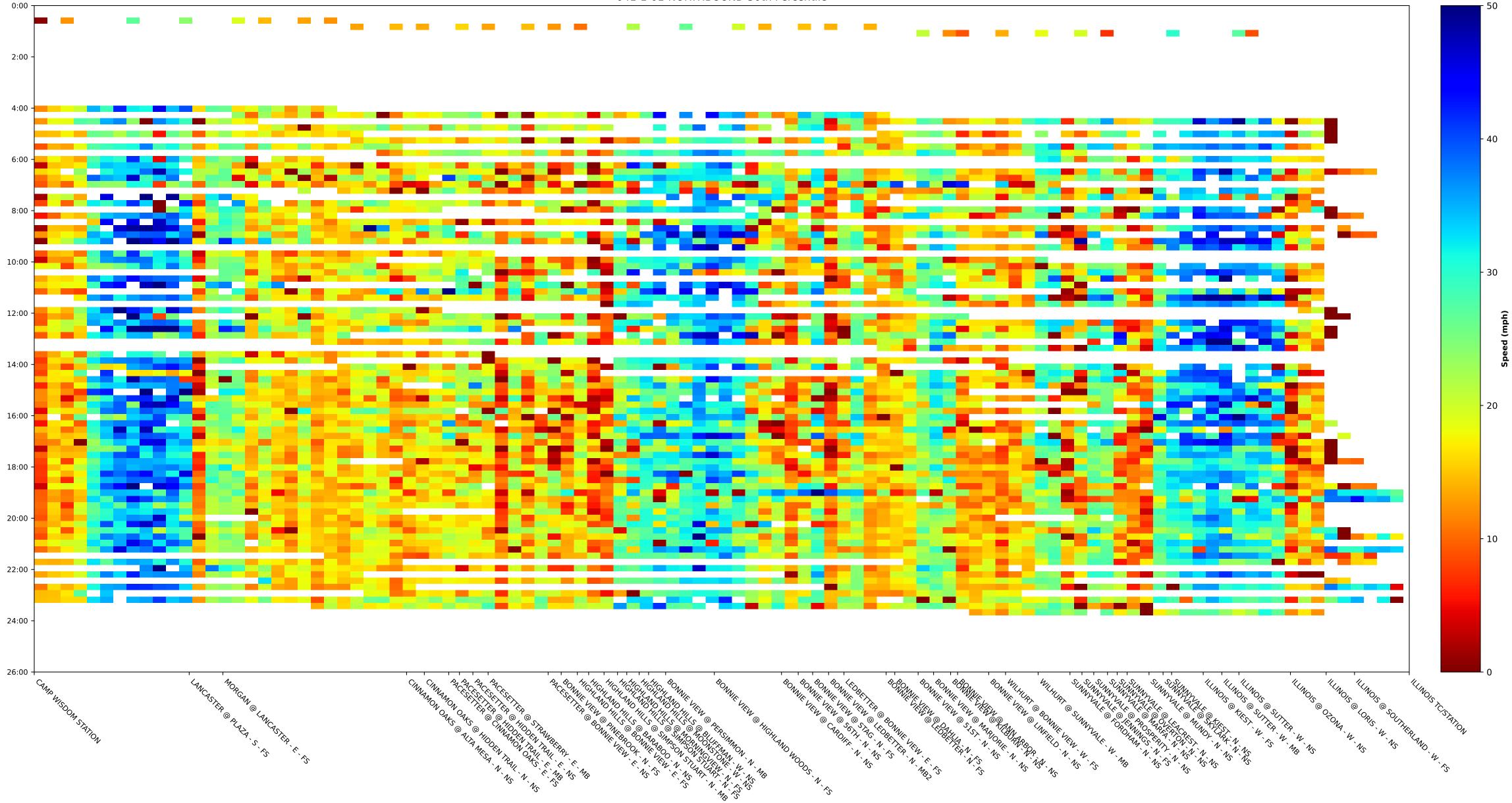




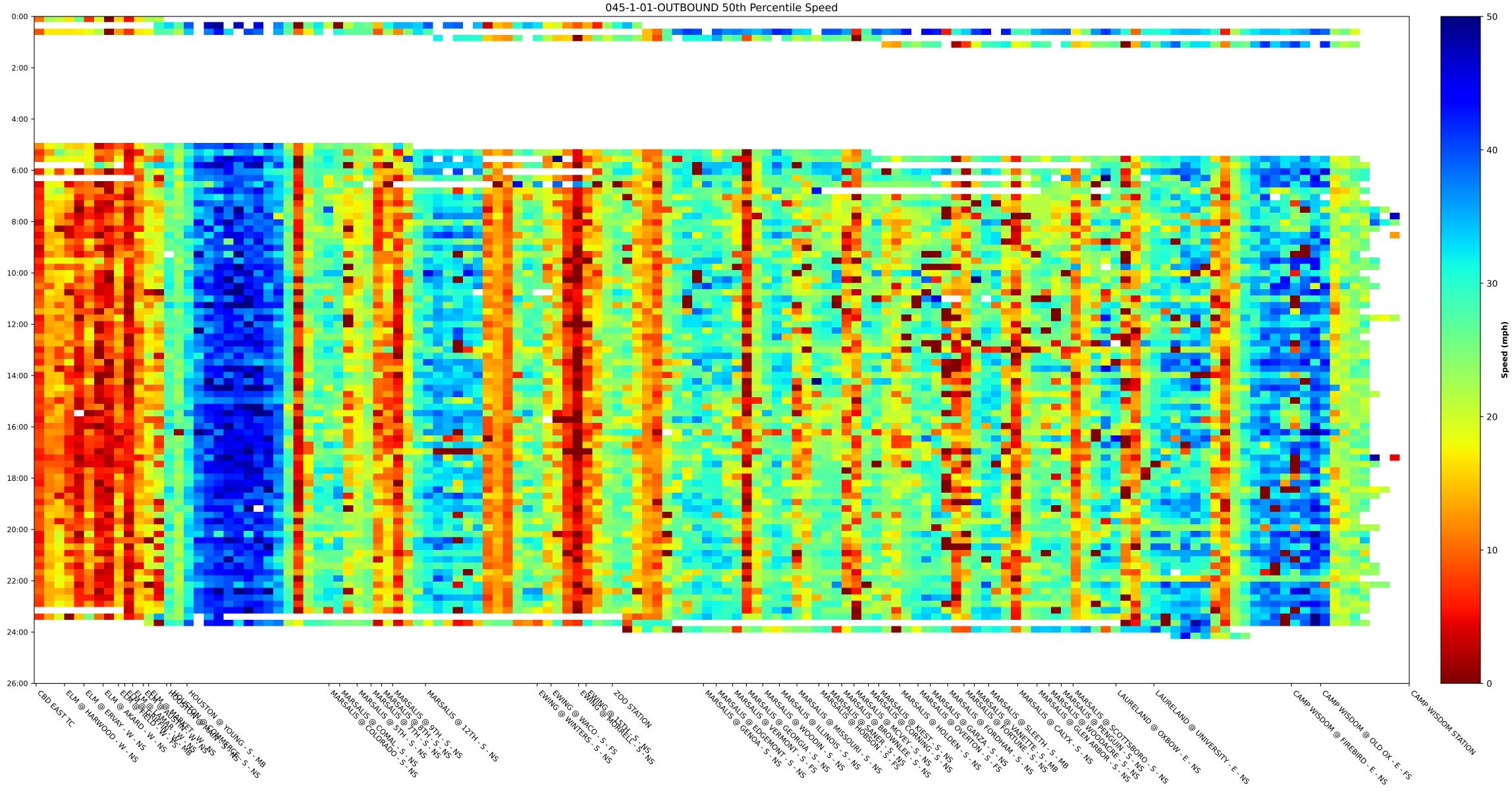


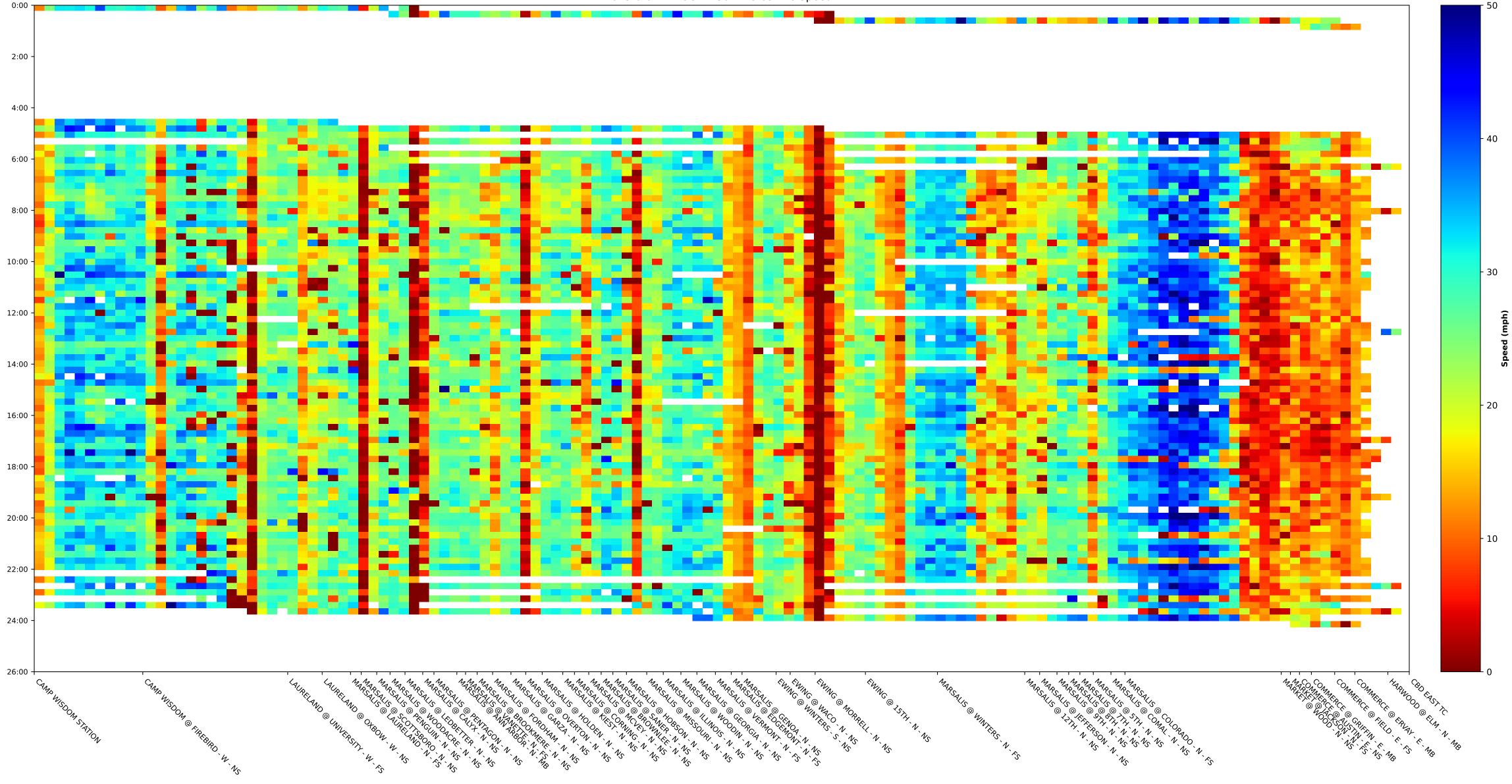


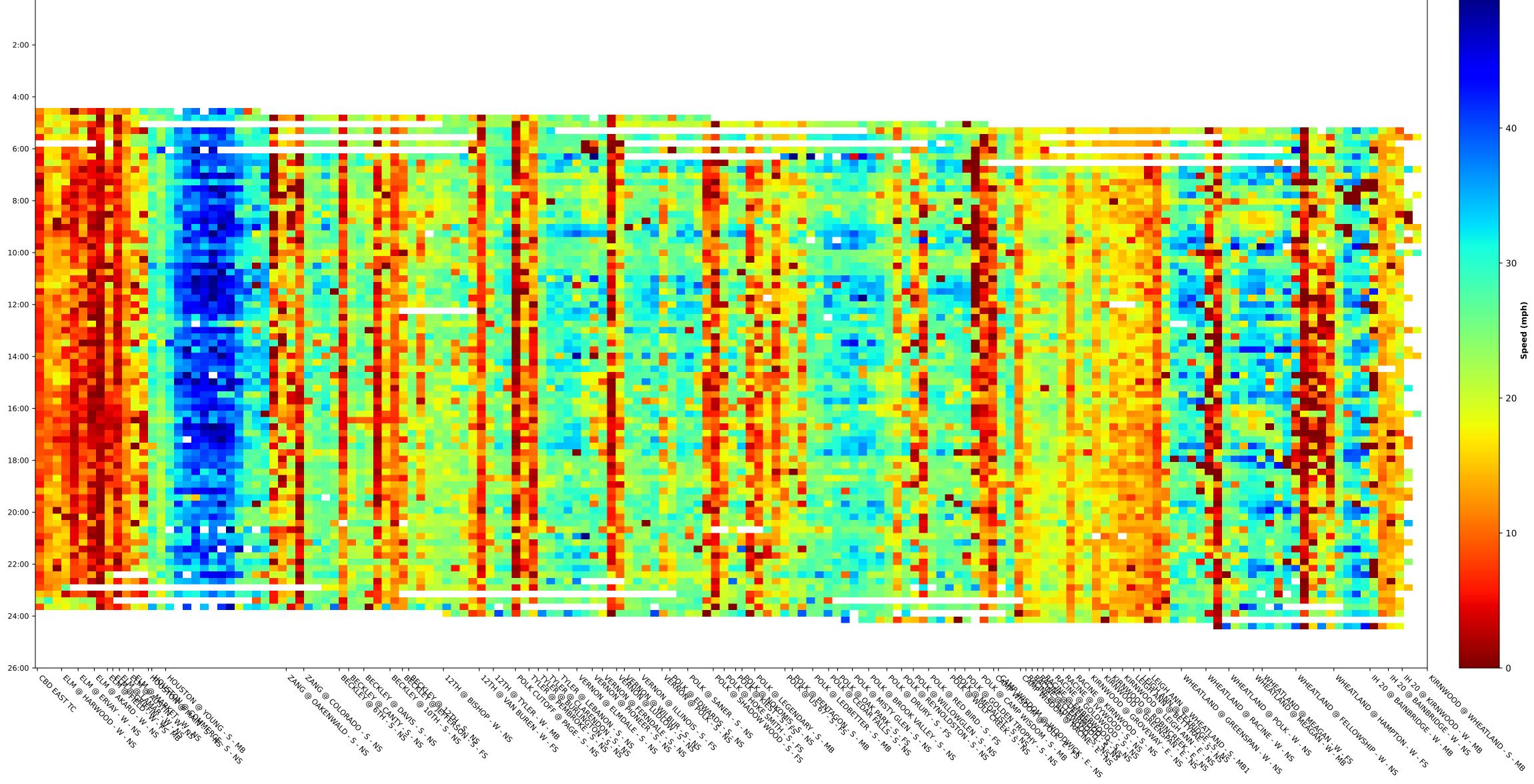
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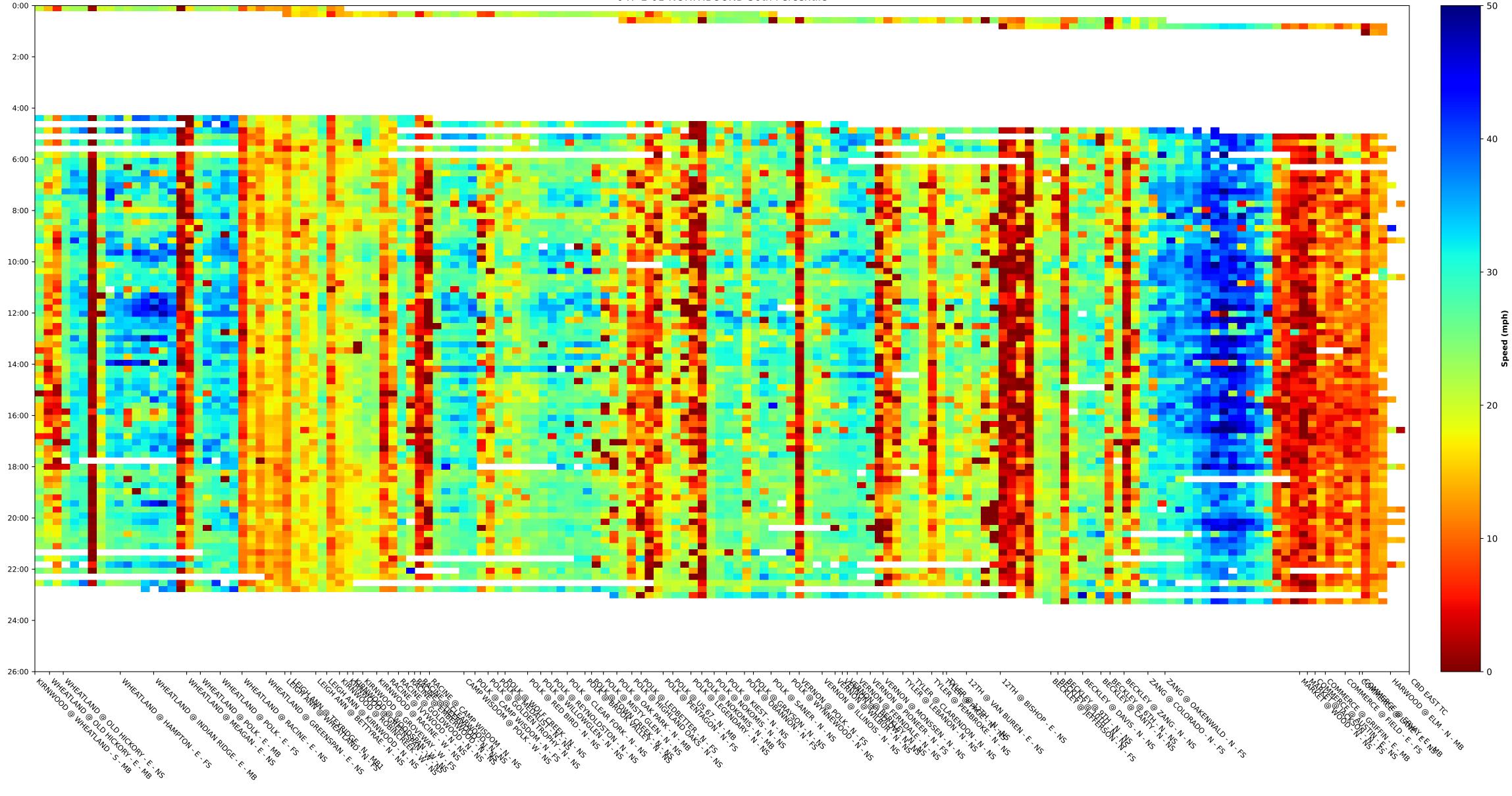


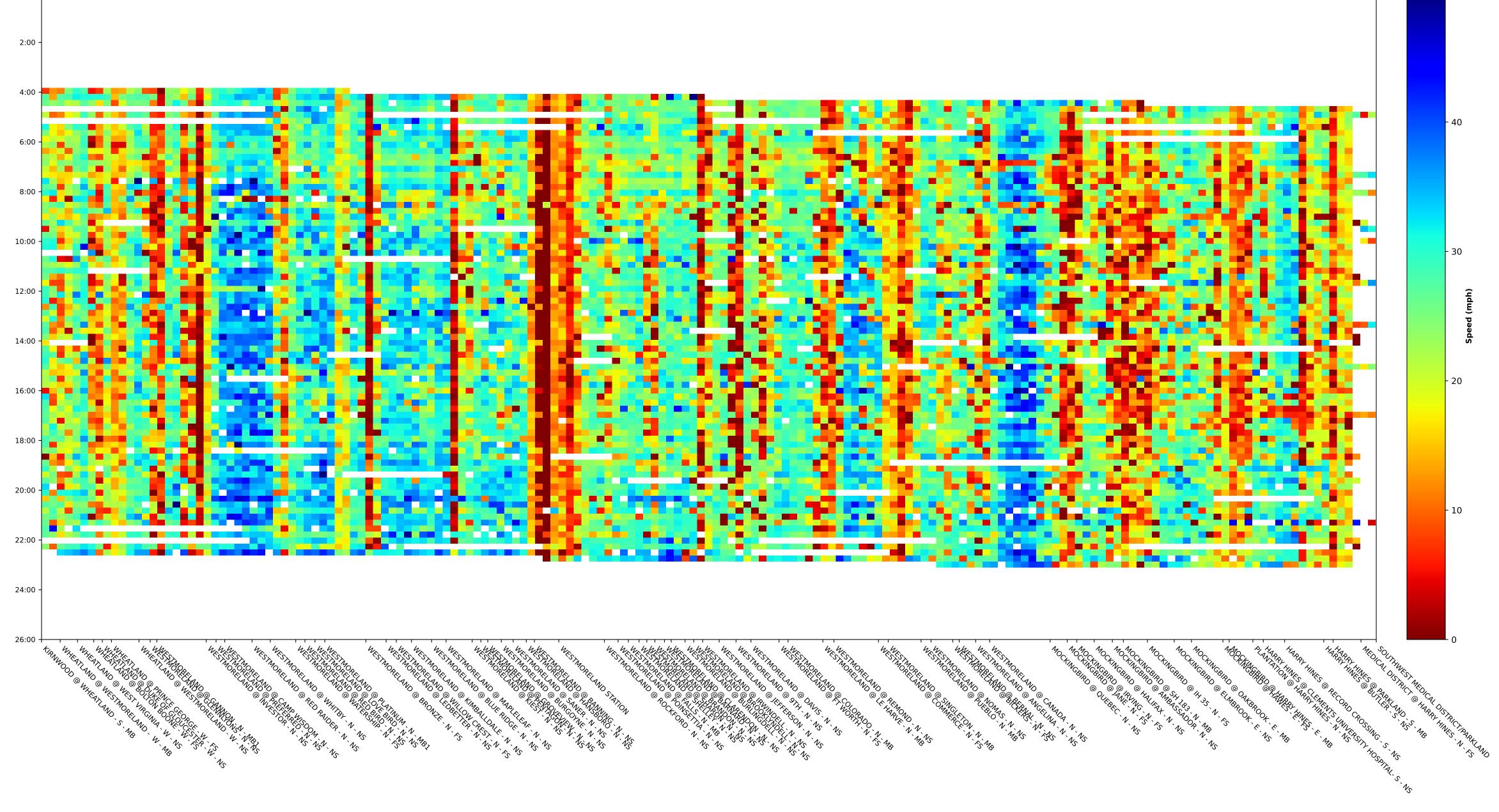


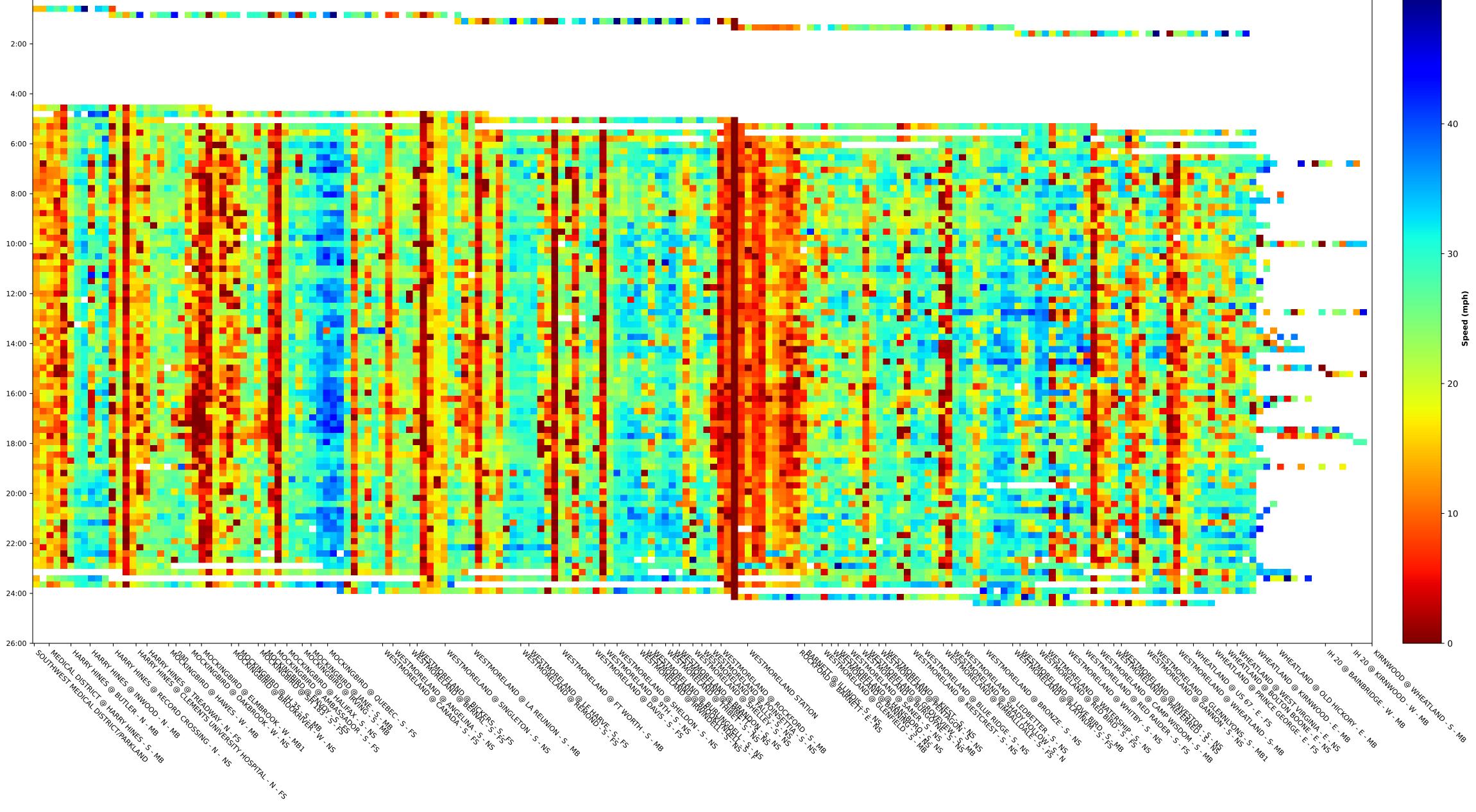












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APPENDIX C Front Line Staff Input

Bus Route	e Dir.	Roadway	Limits	Detailed Description	Potential Solution
	9 WB/EB	Jefferson	Polk to Westmoreland	bus gets out of traffic lane at bus stops, requiring move back into lane	Bus Lane designation Remove traffic circle; replace w signalized
	9 WB/EB	Jefferson	Cockrell Hill intersection	traffic circle seems unsafe for everyone Parked cars, slow crusing cars, people walking onto/across street at mid-	intersection Sunday evening detour or adjust schedule to reflect
	9 Both	Jefferson Abrams/Richmond/	Polk to Beckley	block Sunday evenings	delays
	9 Both	Gaston	eastern end of line loop	back-to-back tight right-turn radius	smooth out radius
	9 WB/EB	Jefferson	Polk to Beckley	on-street parking (long trucks, vehicles backing up or slowing down to park on-street parking creates slow operations or complete stops on these	on-street parking or convert to parallel parking
	13 Both	Cooper	Colonial to Harwood	streets on-street parking creates slow operations or complete stops on these	remove on-street parking; reroute bus
	13 Both	Harwood Cooper, Warren,	Cooper to Pennsylvania	streets; one-way operation affects NB bus routing on-street parking on both sides exists. (NOTE: route on an extended	remove on-street parking; reroute bus Confirm route would get new alignment when
	13 Both	Harwood So. Garland Transit		detour) left-turn signal doesn't always appear, delaying exiting buses onto SB	construction project is completed provide left-turn signal from the Transit Center onto
15, 16, 18, 2	20, WB/SB	Center	Shiloh	Shiloh	SB Shiloh Rd better communication between Cities and DART prior to construction to adjust schedule or establish
	17 SB/SB	Skillman	Southwestern to Abrams	slow speeds during construction	extended detour route
	18 NB/OB	Gus Thomasson	Ferguson	dfficult to make right turn onto Ferguson	Improve right-turn radius
	20 Both	Northwest Highway	full extent	heavy traffic on Northwest Highway slows down bus operations	implement bus lane (s) reroute bus down Caruth, Greenville to park Ln
	20 Both	Northwest Highway Multiple (Webb	NW/Boedeker to Park Ln Station	travel is slow due to traffic, turn signals, narrow road, etc	Station
		Chapel Ext, Larga,	Multiple (Webb Chapel Ext, Larga,	two back-to-back right turns made by buses had tight right-turn radii that	
	20 EB	Webb Chapel)	Webb Chapel)	make right turns difficult to make safely and in a speedy manner.	reroute the bus north to Lombardy
	20 WB	Boedeker	Northwest Highway	extended delay on SB Boedeker to WB Northwest Highway	Provide right-turn arrow (and acceleration lane)
	20 EB	Northwest Highway	@ White Rock Lake Stn	extended delay on left-turn movment out of Station onto EB Northwest Highway	Provide additional green time to left-tuirn phase or route #20 to remain on the highway, serve station that way reroute this route to another street, possibly Eastriedge, to an intersection with protected left-
	20	Park Ln	Lamanda	difficult to make unprotected left-turn from Lamanda onto Park Ln	turns
	20 EB	Northwest Highway	Hillcrest to Boedeker	easternmost bus stop on NW Highway is too close to Boedeker to accommodate weaving over to left-turn lane during PM peak period	eliminate the easternmost bus stop prior to Boedeker
	20 EB	Community Dr	@ Green Line Xing (we. Of Denton Dr)	upon exiting Bachman Stn, bus gets held up at train crossings no. of station	reroute the bus to Webb Chapel on the south side of the Station, thereby avoid at-grade crossing
	22 Both	Forest Ln	Forest Ln Station to Audelia	too many stops on this segment of Forest Ln slow down speeds	consolidate bus stops or revise schedule

Bus Route	Dir.	Roadway	Limits	Detailed Description	Potential Solution
				difficult to maneuver from right lane to three lanes over to left-turn lane	eliminate southernmost stop to allow bus to
				within short distance in peak hour traffic when auto traffic is not	maneuver over to the left lane to make left-turn
	22 EB	Preston Rd	Alpha to I-635	accommodating	onto EB I-635 frontage roads
	22 EB/WB	Forest Ln	not specified	too many stops on segments of Forest Lane slow down bus speeds	consolidate bus stops
	22 EB/WB	Forest Ln	not specified	too many stops on segments of Forest Lane slow down bus speeds	consolidate bus stops
	22 Both	Forest Lane	Forest Ln Stn to Forest/Jupiter Stn	heavy traffic	implement bus lane between the two stations
	22 EB	Verde Valley	Noel	tight radius makes completing a right-turn difficult	Improve right-turn radius
	22 EB	Verde Valley	Noel	on-street parking makes completing a right-turn difficult	Prohibit on-street parking by the intersection
	22 EB	Forest	east of Audelia not specified (Forest Ln Stn to	there is a stop on a curve east of Audelia next to a driveway	relocate the bus stop or simply remove it
	22 EB/WB	Forest Ln	Audelia)	too many stops on segments of Forest Lane slow down bus speeds	consolidate bus stops
	23 NB	Maple	Medical District	protected left-turn arrow changes too fast; not enough time for buses	extend green arrow for buses
	23 SB	Haskell	@ Ross	road north and south of this intersection are not well aligned	
	23 SB	Haskell	@ Swiss	road north and south of this intersection are not well aligned	
	25 Both	Chalk Hill	freight crossing between Singleton and I-30	at different times of the day, the bus is stopped for an extended peirod of time when freight train crosses Chaulk Hill Rd	reroute the bus to stay on Lp 12, then I-30 til it reaches Chaulk Hill
	25 Both	Cockrell Hill	@ Jefferston intersection	roundabout is unsafe for auto/bus travel thru the Cockrell Hill/Jefferson intersection	remove roundabout and replace with traditional signalized intersection
	25 SB	Bernal	@ Chaulk Hill intersection	extended delay on Bernal/Chaulk Hill signalized intersection	improve signal timing to accommodate buses (TSP)
	27 NB to EB	Ridgecrest	Fair Oaks	to EB Fair Oaks takes a long time. bus layover on Singleton west of Lapsley obstructs sight distance for NB	transit signal priority for bus movements shift layover to occur at Singleton/Bernal PTL or
	28 EB	Singleton	west of Lapsley	Lapsley to WB Singleton drivers padded schedule/timepoints requires slow move east-west across	shift stop/shelter further west of Lapsley adjust schedule (tighten internal timepoints; add
	38 WB/EB 41	Ledbetter Wilhurt	Bonnie View, Marsalis timepoints Sunnyvale to Bonnie View	Ledbetter in both directions	layover time)
	41	winnare	Sumyvale to bonnie view	This route takes a circuitous path off of its primary roadway to allow access	Streamline the route to eliminate unnecessary
	45 Both	Marsalis/Ewing	Clarendon to Winters	to the Dallas Zoo, to serve Winters.	segments and reduce overall run time. shift bus stop north to allow bus operators
				Bus stop is located at the end of a wide 2-lane oadway, and it is difficult to make a left-turn from that position because drivers in the same direction	
	45 SB	Marsalis	@Laureland	may not allow the bus to get over into the other lane.	to Laureland
	47 NB	Tyler	@ Tyler/Vernon Station	NB #47 riders alighting at bus stop adjacent to Tyler/Vernon Station must make dangerous crossing of Tyler St to Station; no signal protects them.	reroute NB run into facility for safer access to rail station or provide pedestrian crossing
			- / .	narrow roadway with on-street parallel parking on both sides of the street	prohibit parking on one side of the street and at the
	47 Both	Leigh Ann	Kimwood to Wheatland	makes bus travel through here slow and unsafe	bus stops add traffic signal that only stops traffic when buses are present, but is still synchronized with adjacent
	57 SB	Westmoreland	@Westmoreland Station	unsignalized intersection prevents left-turns to be made or to be made with protected signals, so circuitous and lengthy routing occurs	signals to allow for continued N-S corridor progression

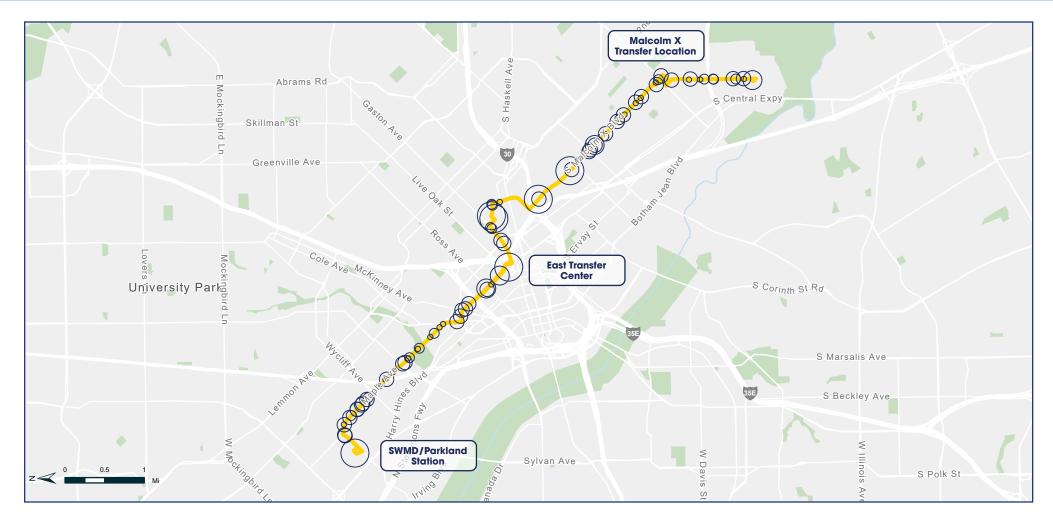
Bus Rout	e Dir.	Roadway	Limits	Detailed Description	Potential Solution
				difficult to maneuver from right bus bay to three lanes over to left-turn	
				lane within 150' in peak hour traffic when auto traffic is not	
	1 SB	Pearl	@ Pacific/Gaston intersection	accommodating	slide #1 bus bay north
				difficult to maneuver from right bus bay to three lanes over to left-turn	
	1 SB	Pearl	@ Pacific/Gaston intersection	lane within 150' in peak hour traffic when auto traffic is not accommodating	slide #1 bus bay north
	1 30	i can	e racincy daston intersection	SB DART PD parks on Lamar between San Jacinto and Pacific hindering SB	Prohibit DART PD from parking on-street on SB
	28 SB	Lamar	San Jacinto to Pacific	bus operators from accessing riders waiting for them at bus stop	Lamar between San Jacinto and Pacific
				WB buses turning SB onto Houston are one of two turning lanes, turning	
				into two narrow lanesIssue(s): 1) Stop bar for NB Houston drivers is not	
				far back, forcing WB turning drivers (on inside-most lane) to slow down	
				and swing wide 2) For WB turning drivers on second lane, they must also	(1) move bus stop line for NB Houston left-turn lane
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9,45	5,47 WB	Elm St	at Houston St intersection	there at different times of the day. insufficient time/space for bus to make NB Colorado to WB Ft Worth Ave	SBHouston between Elm and Main Streets Upgrade signal to include protected left-turn
	102 NB	Colorado	@ Fort Worth Avenue intersection	left-turn	movement
	102 110	NB Malcolm X to			signal upgrade: accommodate left-turn signal only
	104 NB	WB MLK	@ Malcolm X/MLK intersection	unprotected left-turn at this intersection results in waiting several cycles	during the cycles when a left-turn bus approaches
		EB Illinois to SB			smooth out radius or establish NB stop line that
	109 SB	Beckley	@ Illinois/SB Beckley intersection	tight right turn radius, where making wide right turns are difficult to make	accommodates wide turns
					prohibit on-street parking on one side of the street
	114 CCW	Easter	Kiest to Overton	narrow roadway, on-street parking	OR within 50' north and south of bus stops
	212 EB	Woodmeadow	west of La Prada	4-lane divided roadway, where one-side is closed. Trees, shrubs, are overgrown, obstruct travel on EB lane	trim shrubs on EB direction
	212 EB 218 ClW	Lake June	St. Augustine	difficult to turn right from Lake June onto St. Augustine	Move turn lane on St. Augustine back by 25'
		Lake June	ou /uguoune	bus stop on WB I-30 frontage just east of Highland/St. Francis does not	
				allow WB bus operator to enter HOV Lane near Jim Miller entrance	
		I-30 frntg road/HOV		because the entrance to mainlanes is too close to HOV entrance (1,200'),	
	224 WB	Lane n bus stop	near St. Francis/Highland	where closer to 3,000' is needed to weave over 3 freeway mainlanes	
		Same as comment			
	224 WB	as E24			
				easternmost stop on Alpha before left-turn onto NB Montfort is too close	remove the bus stop in question, which we understand was originally intended for (2) other
	227 EB/NB	Alpha	west of Montfort	to intersection to weave over to make turn.	routes that used to go thru or right
		, up to		tight right turn radius, where making wide right turns are difficult to make	
	229 WB	Belt Line	@ Denton Dr	and requires traffic to let up	possibly smooth out the radius
	231 WB	Walnut Hill	east of Belt Line (before Fire Stn	large pothole in front of Apartments in right lane	fill in pothole
	232 EB/WB	Trinity Mills Station	entrance/exit of Trinity Mills Stn	extended delay at entrance/exit of Station	improve signal timing to accommodate buses (TSP)
	245 ND (25	Dernes		signalized intersection takes too long for NB/SB movement into and out of	
	245 NB/SB	Barnes	@ Forest Ln intersection	Forest/Jupiter Station	movements (TSP)

Bus Route Dir.	Roadway	Limits	Detailed Description	Potential Solution
245 NB	Shiloh	Forest	short left-turn signal doesn't last long enough for buses	extend green time for left-turn movements
247 SB	Jupiter	Kingsley	short green time for SB Jupiter traffic turning left to Kingsley is too short	extend green time
			lack of left-turn signal can result in extended delays; sit thru a couple of	
227, 233 WB	Valley View	@ Denton St intersection	cycles	add left-turn signal phase
All	NA	NA	lack of quiet place at Northwest facility	establish a quiet place at Northwest facility
			There is delay associated with GoPass and Tap Cards to confirm they're	
GoPass, Tap Carc All	All	All	active	
			auto drivers (SOV, Uber, parking, etc.) continuously violate the bus-only	
multiple EB/WB	Commerce, Elm	extent of Downtown Dallas	lanes' bus-lane designation/painting is faint	repaint bus lane symbols; penalize violators
Multiple All	All	All	Fare options are too many and result in delays when riders are alighting	reduce/simplify the number of options
			Left-turn signal on NB Ferguson onto NB Shiloh doesn't always appear;	
			affects multiple routes as they are getting into service bound for So	provide dedicated left-turn arrow with sufficient
multiple NB	Ferguson Rd	Shiloh	Garland Transit Center	time.
			although not a segment of routes, buses going into and coming out of	
Routes out of			service must contend with faded lane striping, which results in confusing,	
service Both	Northwest Highway	I-35 to Harry Hines	unsafe conditions	restripe lanes



APPENDIX D Route Evaluation and Toolbox Recommendation Summaries





TERMINI

Samoa & Bexar SWMD/Parkland Station

FREQUENCY

15 min Peak 15 min Midday

AVERAGE DAILY BOARDINGS

1,245

ROUTE CONNECTIONS

Routes 3, 13, 23, 45, 47, 57, 101, 102, 104, 105, 109, 209, 213, 214, 219, 222, 230, 237, 249, 434, 435, 436, Red Line, Blue Line, Green Line, Orange Line

KEY DESTINATIONS

Downtown Dallas Carpenter Park Baylor University Medical Center Station Malcolm X Transfer Location Southwestern Medical District Parkland Memorial Hospital

LEGEND Average Daily Boardings o 5 or fewer boardings

- O 6 10 boardings
-) 11 50 boardings

51 - 100 boardings

Over 100 boardings



Performance Measure	Route Total Score
Transit Delay Amount of delay buses experience compared to the posted speed limit	MEDIUM
Travel Time Variance High score indicates high variability in travel times along the route	MEDIUM
Bus Volume Average number of vehicles per hour on weekdays	HIGH
Average Ridership Average daily stop-level boardings in each direction	LOW
Max Passenger Load Average maximum passenger load along the route	LOW
Existing Population and Employment Amount of residents and jobs within 1/4 mile of the route	MEDIUM
Safety Percentage of the route located within the Dallas High Injury Network	MEDIUM
Equity/Ridership Profile Route proximity to Justice40 Census tracts	LOW







RECOMMENDATIONS

The northernmost part of Route 1 serves the UTSW Medical District. A new signal that accommodates protected left turns and Transit Signal Priority is recommended at the Bengal St & Medical District Dr intersection. A queue jump and TSP are also recommended at Cedar Springs & Pearl, as well as stop consolidation along Maple Ave.







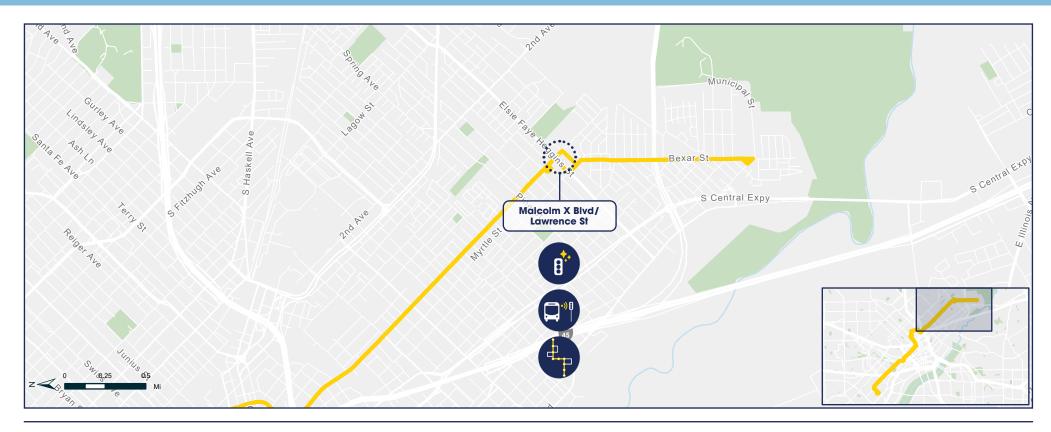
RECOMMENDATIONS

Transit Signal Priority at Woodall Rogers Freeway and Pearl St near Klyde Warren Park would create a queue jump for transit vehicles moving through the intersection.

Trips within the downtown area show a high need for CORE improvements and should be evaluated as part of future analysis.





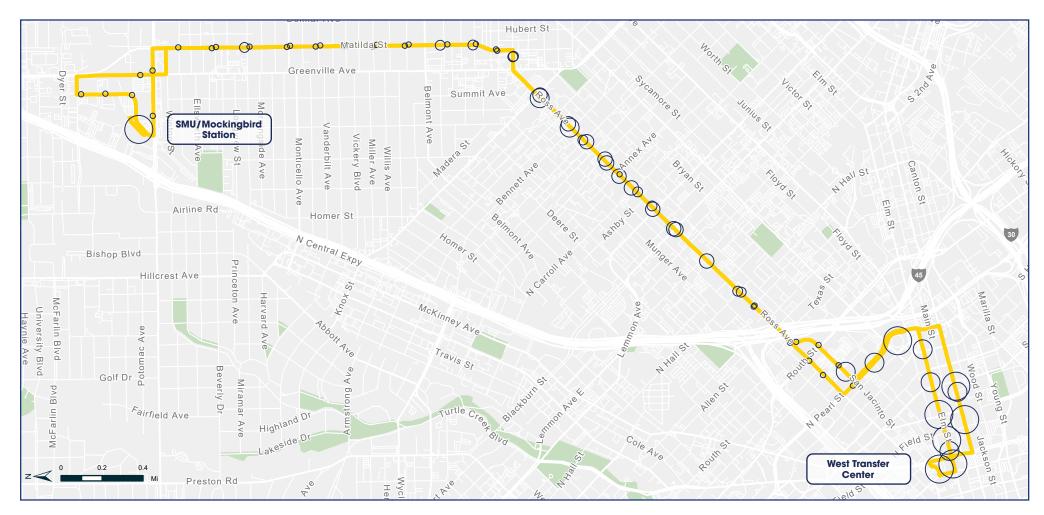


RECOMMENDATIONS

A new signal at Malcolm X Blvd and Lawrence St would provide protected left turns for northbound vehicles. The route could also be rerouted to Elsie Faye Higgins St, where Transit Signal Priority should be provided.







TERMINI

SMU/Mockingbird Station West Transfer Center

FREQUENCY

15 min Peak 15 min Midday

AVERAGE DAILY BOARDINGS

960

ROUTE CONNECTIONS

Routes 17, 23, 105, 205, 207, 209, 239, 249, 440, 442, Park Cities/ Lakewood GoLink, Red Line, Blue Line, Orange Line

KEY DESTINATIONS

Earl Cabell Federal Building Lower Greenville Southern Methodist University Thanksgiving Center

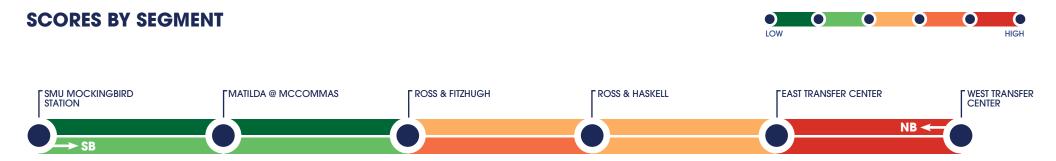
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51 – 100 boardings

Over 100 boardings



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Bus Volume Average number of vehicles per hour on weekdays	MEDIUM
Average Ridership Average daily stop-level boardings in each direction	LOW
Max Passenger Load Average maximum passenger load along the route	LOW
Existing Population and Employment Amount of residents and jobs within 1/4 mile of the route	HIGH
Safety Percentage of the route located within the Dallas High Injury Network	MEDIUM
Equity/Ridership Profile Route proximity to Justice40 Census tracts	LOW





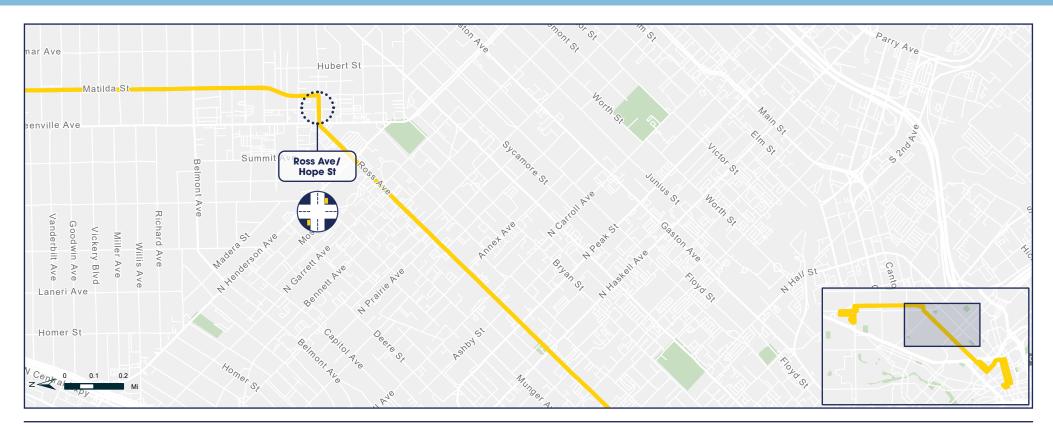


RECOMMENDATIONS

Route 3 serves SMU at its northern terminal. Bus stops at Greenville Ave and Mockingbird Ln can be relocated closer to the intersection to more easily facilitate transfers between Routes 3 and 17. Stops along Matilda St could also be consolidated based on ridership to make service more efficient, and the southbound route could also be realigned from Winton to Mockingbird. The right turn radius from eastbound Mockingbird to southbound Matilda should be adjusted to better accommodate buses.







RECOMMENDATIONS

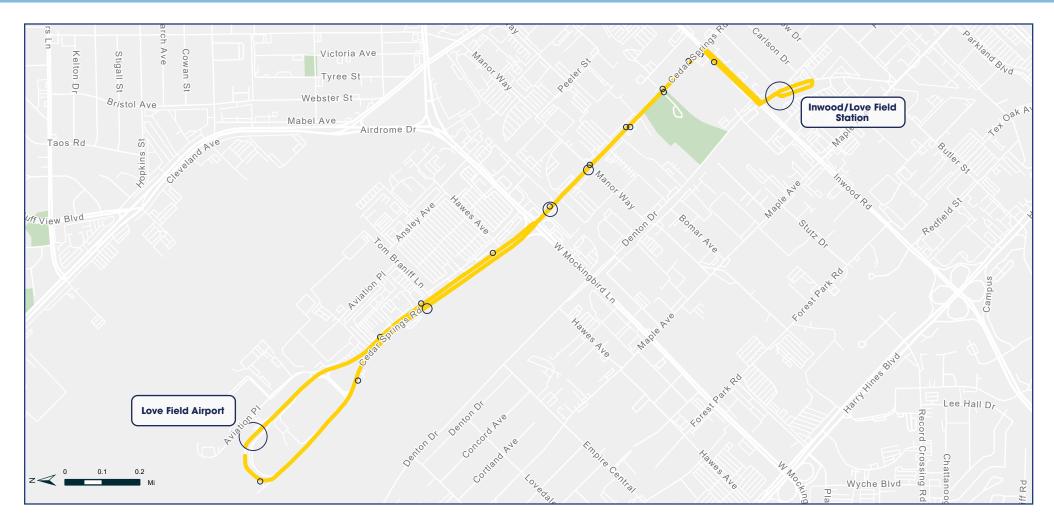
It is also recommended that the eastbound stop at Ross & Hope shift to the near side of the intersection. Pavement maintenance is also recommended on Ross Ave between Greenville and US 75.

There are no recommendations made for other segments of this route.



Route 5 - Love Field Shuttle





TERMINI

Inwood/Love Field Station Dallas Love Field Airport

FREQUENCY

15 min Peak 15 min Midday

AVERAGE DAILY BOARDINGS

217

ROUTE CONNECTIONS

Routes 103, 207, 222, Park Cities GoLink, Green Line, Orange Line

KEY DESTINATIONS

Dallas Love Field Airport University of Texas Southwestern Medical District Dallas Love Field Car Rental Branches

LEGEND

Average Daily BoardingsO5 or fewer boardingsO6 - 10 boardingsO11 - 50 boardingsO51 - 100 boardingsOOver 100 boardings

Route 5 - Love Field Shuttle



Performance Measure	Route Total Score
Transit Delay Amount of delay buses experience compared to the posted speed limit	HIGH
Travel Time Variance High score indicates high variability in travel times along the route	VERY HIGH
Bus Volume Average number of vehicles per hour on weekdays	MEDIUM
Average Ridership Average daily stop-level boardings in each direction	MEDIUM
Max Passenger Load Average maximum passenger load along the route	MEDIUM
Existing Population and Employment Amount of residents and jobs within 1/4 mile of the route	HIGH
Safety Percentage of the route located within the Dallas High Injury Network	MEDIUM
Equity/Ridership Profile Route proximity to Justice40 Census tracts	MEDIUM

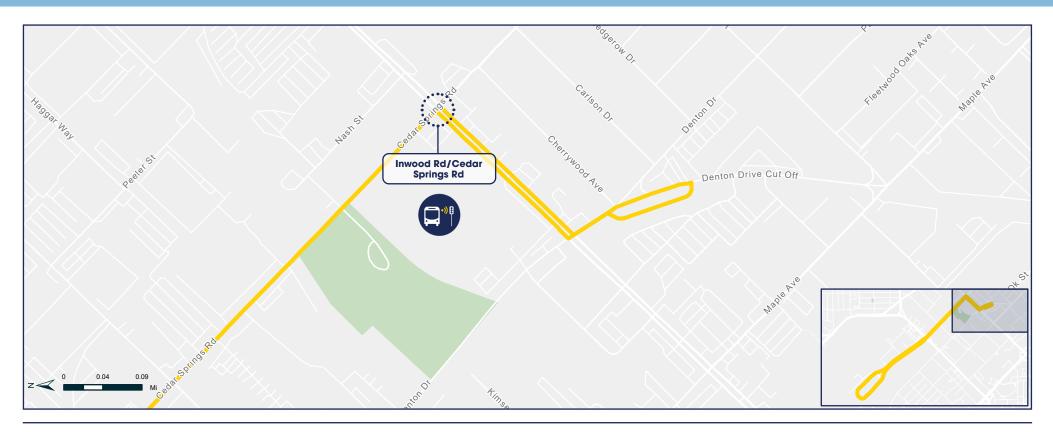
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Route 5 - Love Field Shuttle





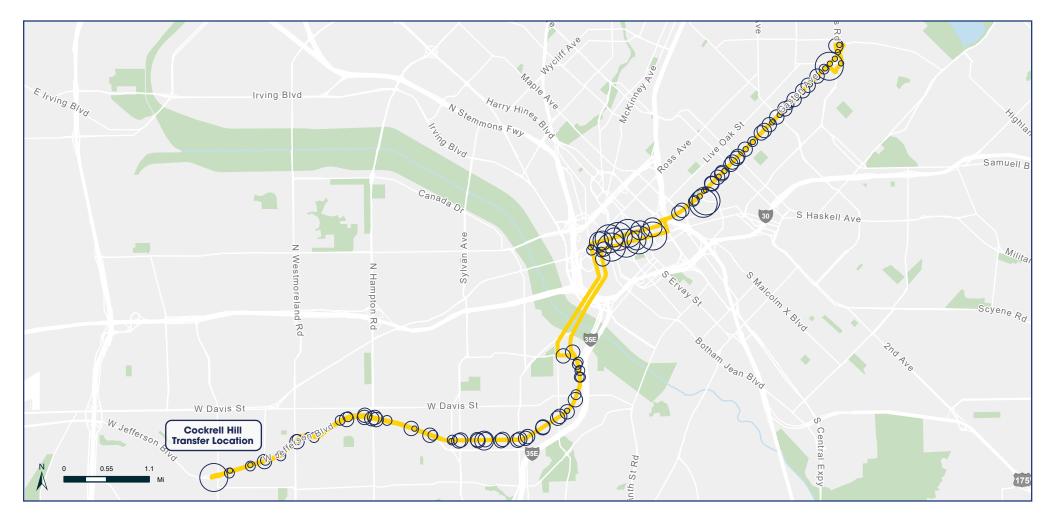
RECOMMENDATIONS

Route 5 connects Inwood/Love Field Station to Dallas Love Field Airport. Transit Signal Priority would improve efficiency for vehicles turning left at Cedar Springs Rd and Inwood Rd.

There are no recommendations made for other segments of this route.







TERMINI

Cockrell Hill Transfer Location Richmond & Abrams

FREQUENCY

15 min Peak 15 min Midday

AVERAGE DAILY BOARDINGS

2,128

ROUTE CONNECTIONS

Routes 1, 18, 23, 25, 45, 47, 57, 101, 109, 219, 221, 226, Red Line, Blue Line, Green Line, Orange Line

KEY DESTINATIONS

Majestic Theatre Baylor University Medical Center AT&T Discovery District Dallas College El Centro Campus Downtown Oak Cliff

LEGEND

Average Daily Boardings o 5 or fewer boardings O 6 - 10 boardings O 11 - 50 boardings O 51 - 100 boardings Over 100 boardings



Performance Measure	Route Total Score
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Travel Time Variance High score indicates high variability in travel times along the route	MEDIUM
Bus Volume Average number of vehicles per hour on weekdays	VERY HIGH
Average Ridership Average daily stop-level boardings in each direction	HIGH
Max Passenger Load Average maximum passenger load along the route	HIGH
Existing Population and Employment Amount of residents and jobs within 1/4 mile of the route	HIGH
Safety Percentage of the route located within the Dallas High Injury Network	HIGH
Equity/Ridership Profile Route proximity to Justice40 Census tracts	MEDIUM







RECOMMENDATIONS

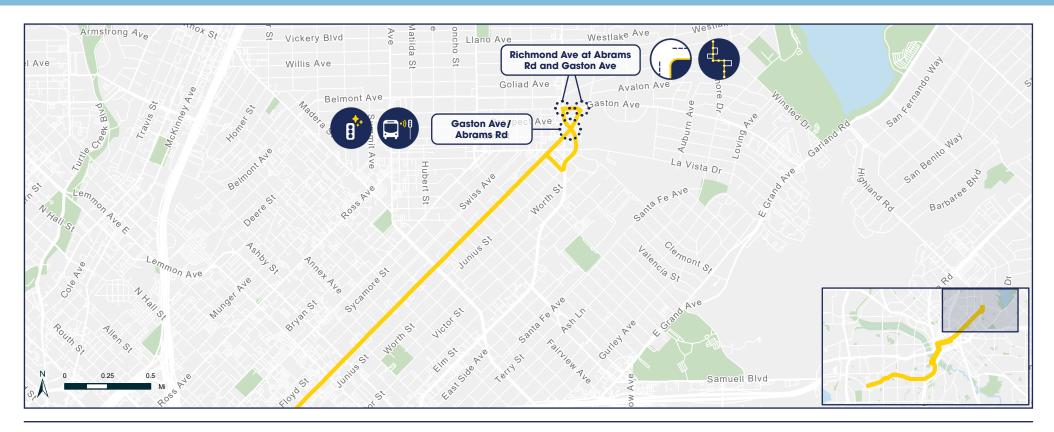
Route 9 connects the Cockrell Hill and Lakewood Heights neighborhoods. A new signal with a protected left turn would benefit turning vehicles at Marsalis Ave and Colorado Blvd after the route crosses south over the Trinity River. At Jefferson and Cockrell Hill, the traffic circle should be replaced with a traditional traffic signal.

To avoid special events, the route could be diverted away from Jefferson Blvd between Zang Blvd and Tyler St on Sunday evenings or angled parking could be restricted in that area.

On Jefferson between Hampton Rd and Tyler St, a dedicated bus lane or bus bulbs could be established where the former third travel lane was restricted from use.







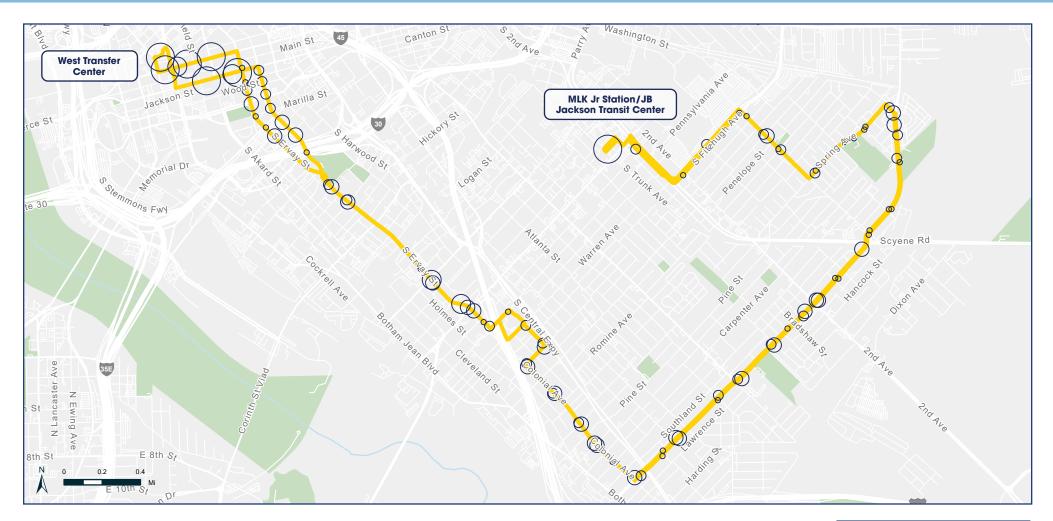
RECOMMENDATIONS

Route 9 terminates in the east at the Lakewood Shopping Center near White Rock Lake. A new signal with Transit Signal Priority at Abrams Rd and Gaston Ave would benefit vehicles at the start of westbound trips. The turning radii at Gaston Ave & Richmond Ave and Abrams Rd & Richmond Ave should be adjusted to better accommodate buses, or the route should be realigned to avoid tight right turns.

There are no recommendations made for other segments of this route.







TERMINI

West Transfer Center MLK Jr Station/JB Jackson Transit Center

FREQUENCY

15 min Peak 20 min Midday

AVERAGE DAILY BOARDINGS

1,484

ROUTE CONNECTIONS

Routes 1, 23, 104, 216, South Dallas GoLink, Green Line, Orange Line, Blue Line, Red Line

KEY DESTINATIONS

Paul L. Dunbar Learning Center Frazier House Dallas College El Centro Campus Malcolm X Transfer Location Hatcher Station

LEGEND

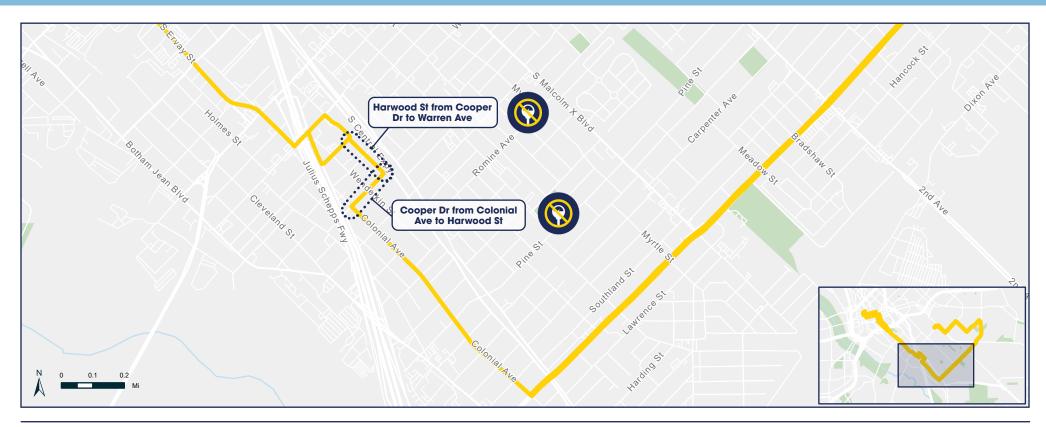
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Bus Volume Average number of vehicles per hour on weekdays	MEDIUM
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Max Passenger Load Average maximum passenger load along the route	MEDIUM
Existing Population and Employment Amount of residents and jobs within 1/4 mile of the route	MEDIUM
Safety Percentage of the route located within the Dallas High Injury Network	MEDIUM
Equity/Ridership Profile Route proximity to Justice40 Census tracts	MEDIUM





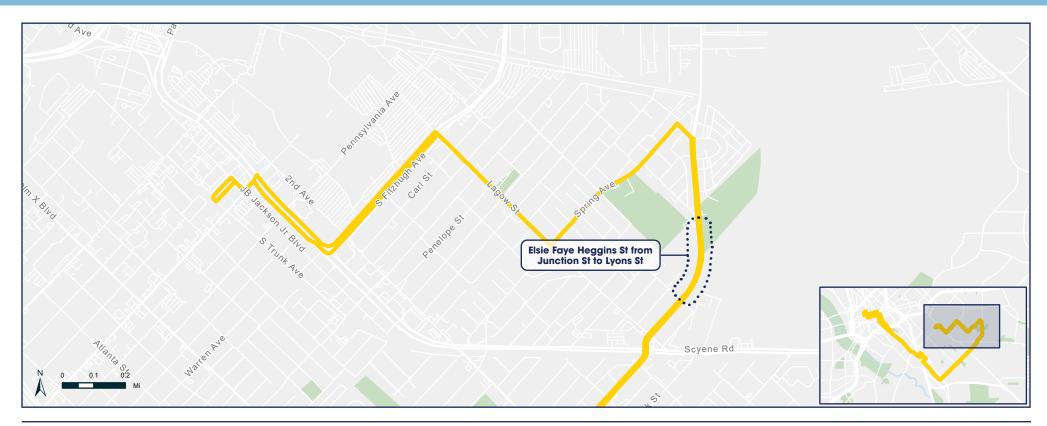


RECOMMENDATIONS

On-street parking should be prohobited on Cooper Dr and Harwood St to better acoommodate buses.





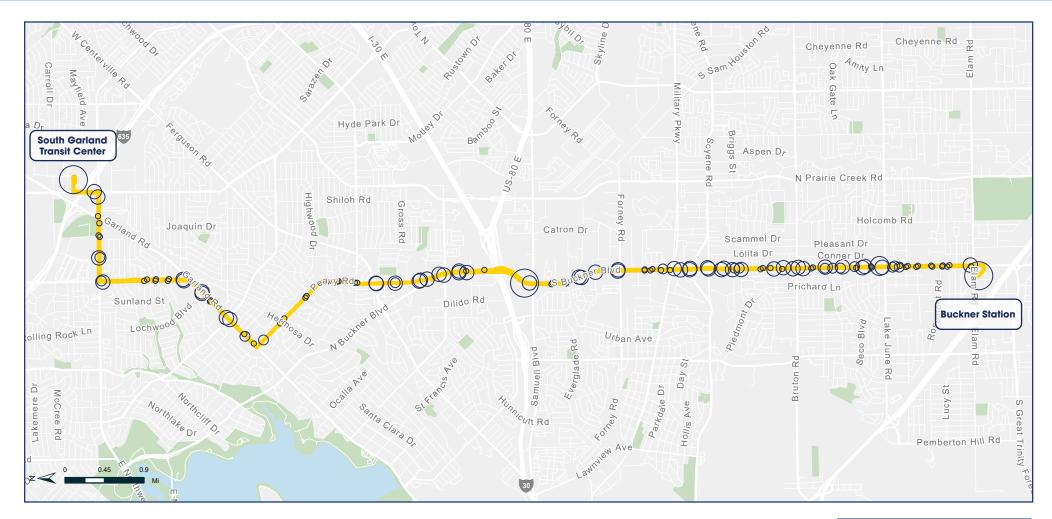


RECOMMENDATIONS

The portion of the rotue on Elsie Faye Heggins St between Junction St and Lyon St should be further examined to determine possible causes of consistently slow travel times.

There are no recommendations made for other segments of this route.





TERMINI

South Garland Transit Center Buckner Station

FREQUENCY

15 min Peak 20 min Midday

AVERAGE DAILY BOARDINGS

1,802 ROUTE CONNECTIONS

Routes 16, 18, 20, 30, 203, 204, 212, 214, 216, 218, 220, 224, 242, 245, 247, 251

KEY DESTINATIONS

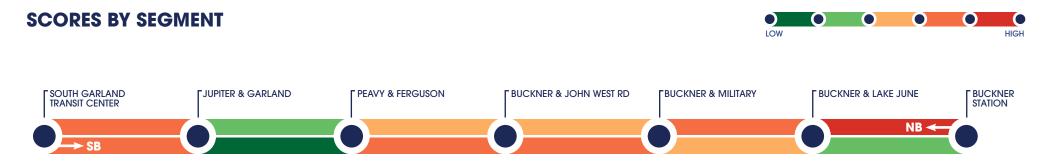
Dallas College Pleasant Grove Center White Rock Market Place

LEGEND Average Daily Boardings

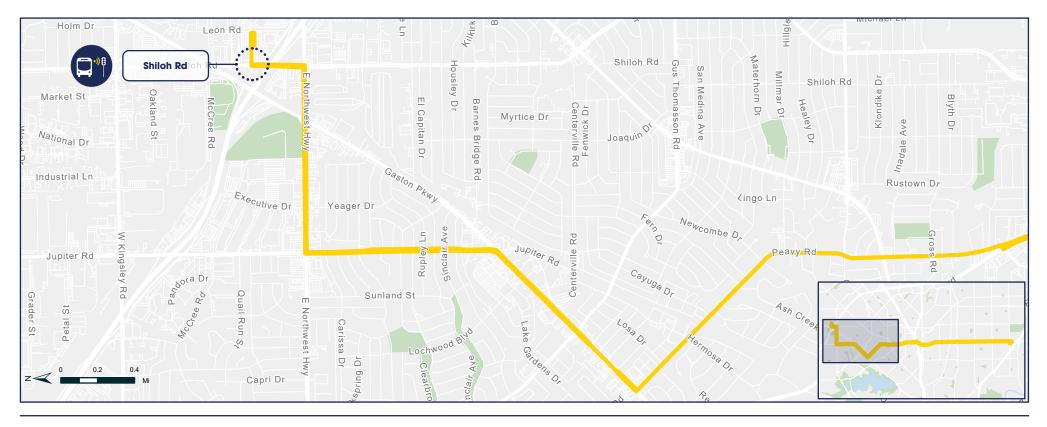
5 or fewer boardings
 6 - 10 boardings
 11 - 50 boardings
 51 - 100 boardings
 Over 100 boardings



Performance Measure	Route Total Score
Transit Delay Amount of delay buses experience compared to the posted speed limit	MEDIUM
Travel Time Variance High score indicates high variability in travel times along the route	HIGH
Bus Volume Average number of vehicles per hour on weekdays	HIGH
Average Ridership Average daily stop-level boardings in each direction	HIGH
Max Passenger Load Average maximum passenger load along the route	HIGH
Existing Population and Employment Amount of residents and jobs within 1/4 mile of the route	MEDIUM
Safety Percentage of the route located within the Dallas High Injury Network	HIGH
Equity/Ridership Profile Route proximity to Justice40 Census tracts	HIGH





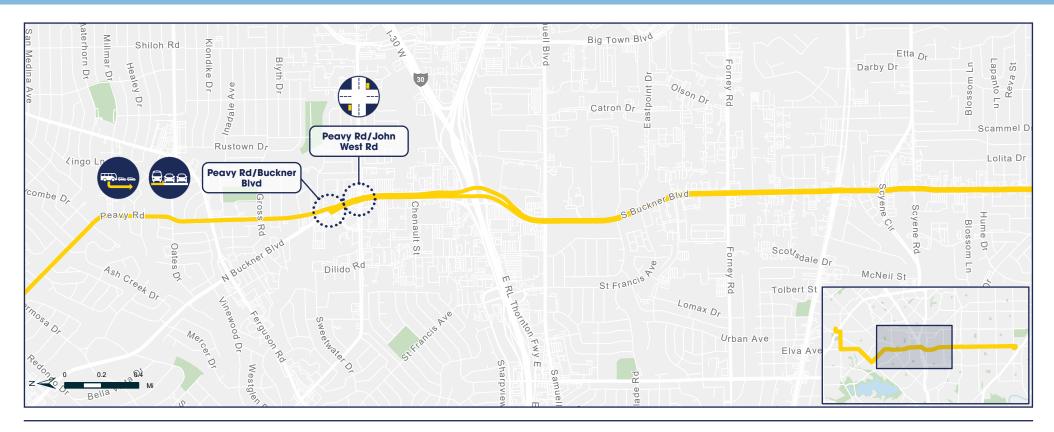


RECOMMENDATIONS

The northern end of Rotue 15 begins in South Garland. Transit Signal Priority at Shiloh Rd would improve efficiency of vehicles entering and exiting South Garland Transit Center.





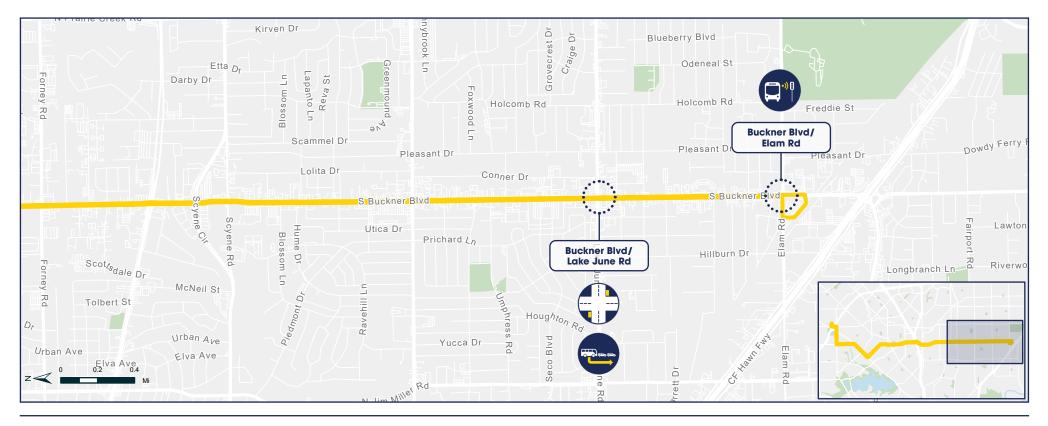


RECOMMENDATIONS

Route 15 continues south on Peavy Rd and Buckner Blvd. The southbound vehicles turning onto Buckner would be supported by a queue jump lane in reallocated right-of-way. Reloacting bus stops closer to the intersection at Buckner and John West Rd would also facilitate easier transfers between Routes 15 and 18.





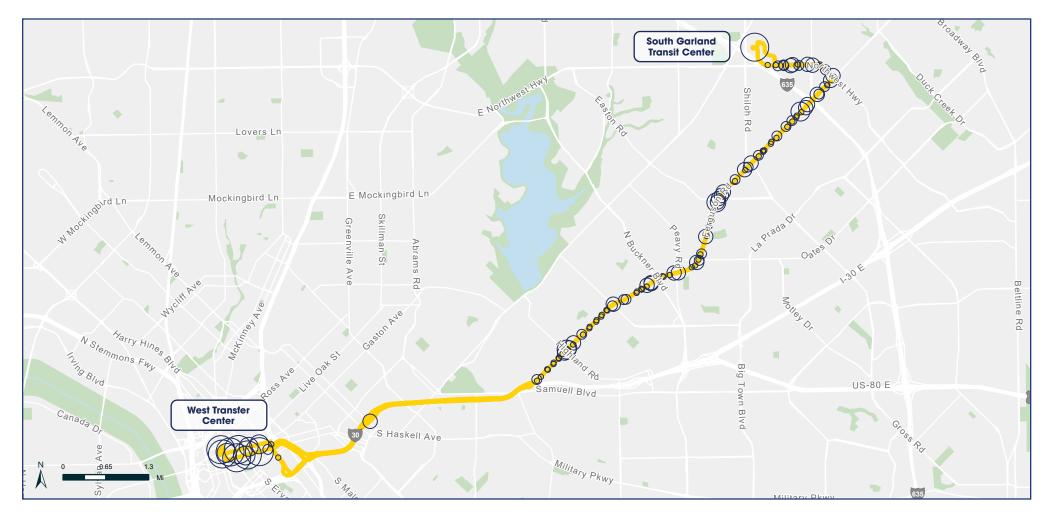


RECOMMENDATIONS

Route 15 serves the Elam neighborhood at its southern end. Relocating bus stops at Buckner and Lake June Rd would facilitate transfers between Routes 15 and 30, while a queue jump will help move northbound transit vehicles through the intersection more efficiently. Transit Signal Priority at Buckner and Elam Rd would help avoid missed connections at Buckner Station.







TERMINI

West Transfer Center South Garland Transit Center

FREQUENCY

15 min Peak 20 min Midday

AVERAGE DAILY BOARDINGS

1,730

ROUTE CONNECTIONS

Routes 3, 13, 15, 18, 20, 103, 105, 203, 204, 207, 209, 212, 214, 239, 242, 245, 247, 249, 251, 305

KEY DESTINATIONS

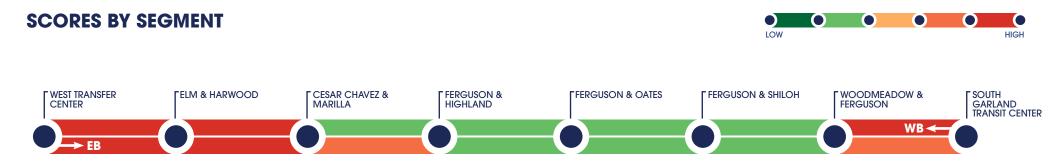
Casa View Shopping Center Dallas College El Centro Campus Amberton University

LEGEND Average Daily Boardings

5 or fewer boardings
 6 - 10 boardings
 11 - 50 boardings
 51 - 100 boardings
 Over 100 boardings



Performance Measure	Route Total Score
Transit Delay Amount of delay buses experience compared to the posted speed limit	MEDIUM
Travel Time Variance High score indicates high variability in travel times along the route	HIGH
Bus Volume Average number of vehicles per hour on weekdays	MEDIUM
Average Ridership Average daily stop-level boardings in each direction	MEDIUM
Max Passenger Load Average maximum passenger load along the route	MEDIUM
Existing Population and Employment Amount of residents and jobs within 1/4 mile of the route	MEDIUM
Safety Percentage of the route located within the Dallas High Injury Network	MEDIUM
Equity/Ridership Profile Route proximity to Justice40 Census tracts	MEDIUM





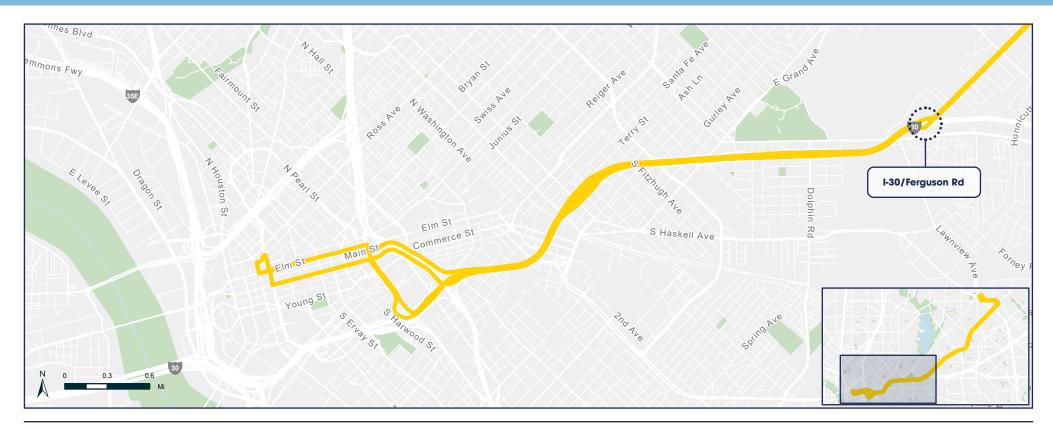


RECOMMENDATIONS

Route 16 connects south Garland with Downtown Dallas, running express on I-30 between Ferguson and Downtown Dallas. Transit Signal Priority at Towngate Blvd and Northwest Hwy will help vehicles turning left to start southbound trips, and TSP along with a queue jump at Ferguson Rd will prioritize transit vehicles moving through the intersection at the LBJ Freeway.



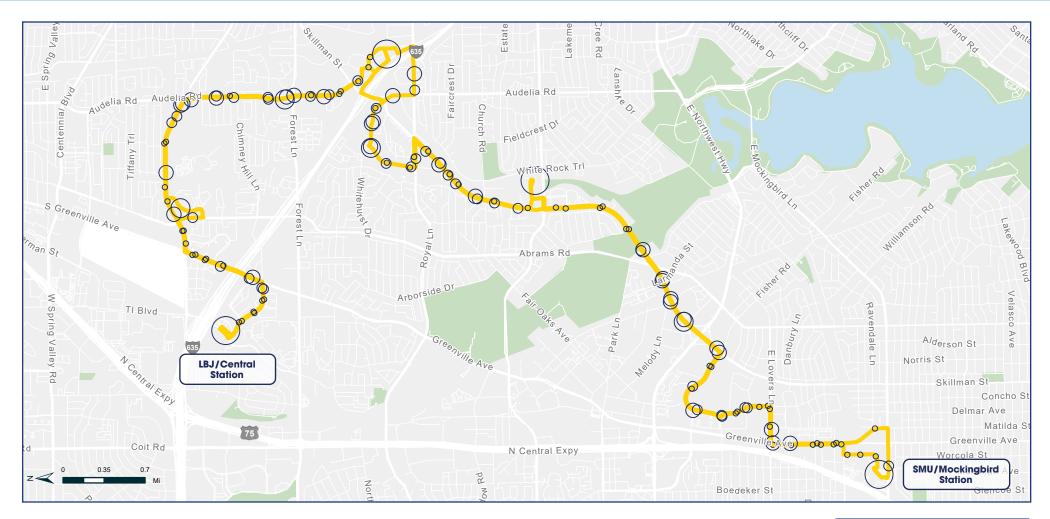




RECOMMENDATIONS

Accommodations could be made to allow buses to use the HOV reversible lane when entering I-30 from Ferguson Rd.





TERMINI

LBJ/Central Station SMU/Mockingbird Station

FREQUENCY

15 min Peak 20 min Midday

AVERAGE DAILY BOARDINGS

1,912

ROUTE CONNECTIONS

Routes 3, 20, 22, 105, 200, 204, 209, 242 243, 249, 413, 417, 419, 440, 442, North Central Dallas GoLink, Park Cities Lakewood GoLink

KEY DESTINATIONS

Southern Methodist University Medallion Shopping Center Lake Highlands Station LBJ/Skillman Station Dallas College Richland Campus

LEGEND

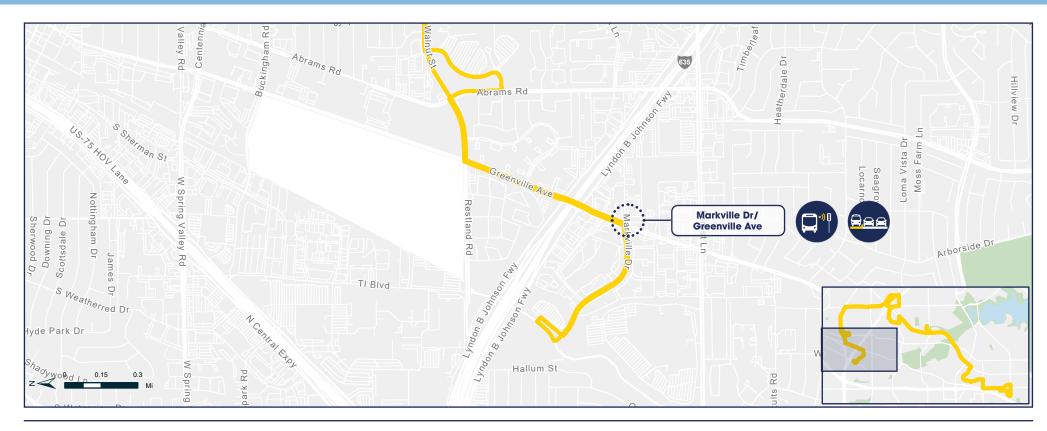
Average Daily Boardingso5 or fewer boardingsO6 - 10 boardingsO11 - 50 boardingsO51 - 100 boardingsOOver 100 boardings



Performance Measure	Route Total Score
Transit Delay Amount of delay buses experience compared to the posted speed limit	MEDIUM
Travel Time Variance High score indicates high variability in travel times along the route	MEDIUM
Bus Volume Average number of vehicles per hour on weekdays	MEDIUM
Average Ridership Average daily stop-level boardings in each direction	MEDIUM
Max Passenger Load Average maximum passenger load along the route	MEDIUM
Existing Population and Employment Amount of residents and jobs within 1/4 mile of the route	MEDIUM
Safety Percentage of the route located within the Dallas High Injury Network	LOW
Equity/Ridership Profile Route proximity to Justice40 Census tracts	MEDIUM





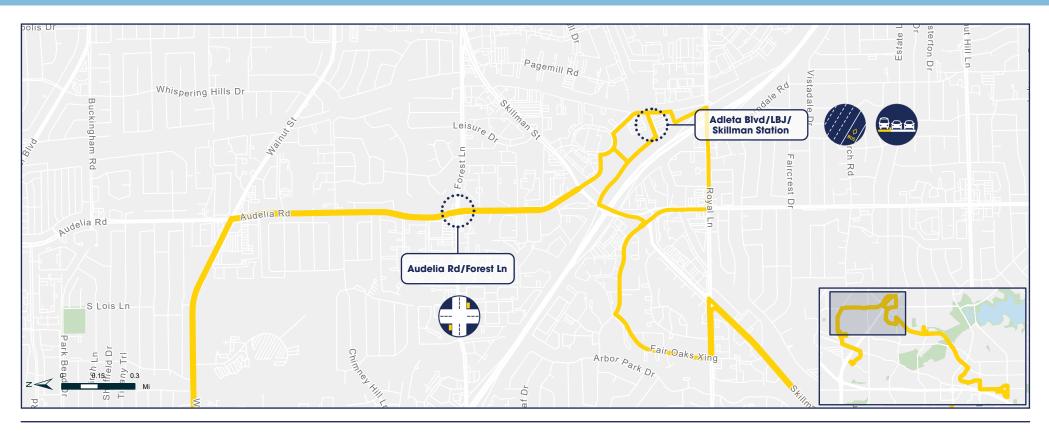


RECOMMENDATIONS

Route 17 serves North Central Dallas and Lake Highlands. Transit Signal Priority at the intersection of Markville Dr and Greenville Ave will facilitate easier left turns for vehicles entering and leaving LBJ/Central Station. A left turn lane could also be created at the same intersection using the existing median to minimize LOS impacts to autos.







RECOMMENDATIONS

Relocating bus stops closer to the intersection of Audelia Rd and Forest Ln will make transfers more convenient between Routes 17 and 22. Developing a short transitonly acceleration lane at the LBJ/ Skillman Station exit would also allow buses to exit freely, stop at rail tracks, and get up to speed before merging onto the 635 frontage road.



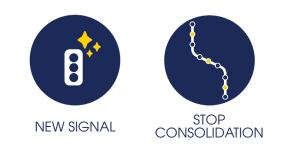




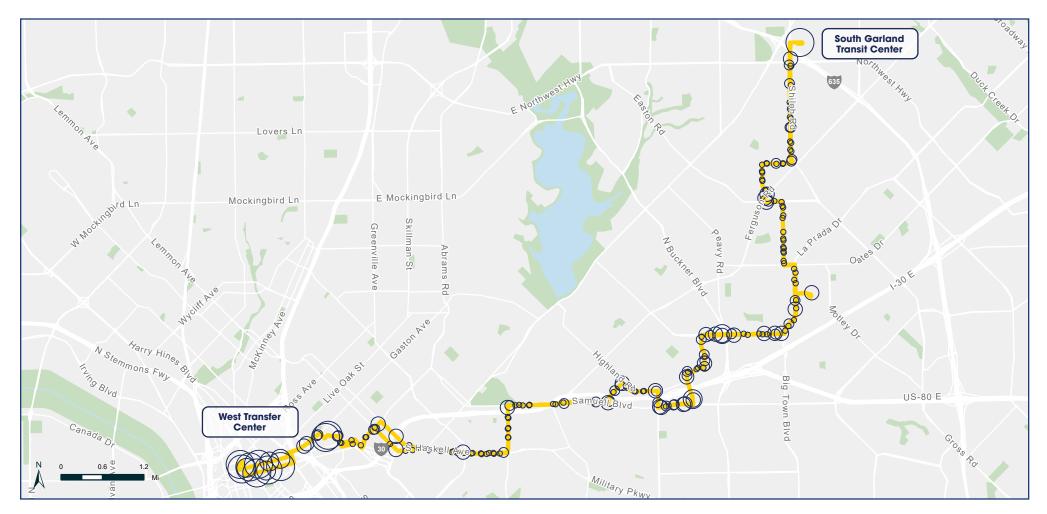
RECOMMENDATIONS

A new signal with a protected left turn at the intersection of Southwestern Blvd and Amesbury Dr could mitigate potential safety issues and reduce delays in the southbound direction. Bus stops along this section of the route could also be consolidated to improve efficiency and travel times.

There are no recommendations made for other segments of this route.







TERMINI

West Transfer Center South Garland Transit Center

FREQUENCY

15 min Peak 20 min Midday

AVERAGE DAILY BOARDINGS

1,951

ROUTE CONNECTIONS

Routes 3, 13, 15, 16, 20, 23, 103, 105, 203, 204, 207, 209, 212, 214, 216, 237, 239, 242, 245, 247, 249, 251, 305, North Central Dallas GoLink, Park Cities Lakewood GoLink, Red Line, Blue Line, Green Line, Orange Line

KEY DESTINATIONS

Dallas College Eastfield Campus Baylor University Medical Center Baylor Hospital Deep Ellum Samuell-Grand Park

LEGEND

 Average Daily Boardings

 o
 5 or fewer boardings

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 6 - 10 boardings

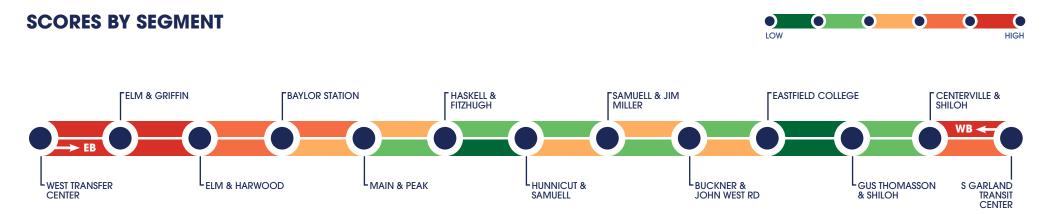
 I1 - 50 boardings

 S1 - 100 boardings

 Over 100 boardings



Performance Measure	Route Total Score
Transit Delay Amount of delay buses experience compared to the posted speed limit	MEDIUM
Travel Time Variance High score indicates high variability in travel times along the route	MEDIUM
Bus Volume Average number of vehicles per hour on weekdays	LOW
Average Ridership Average daily stop-level boardings in each direction	LOW
Max Passenger Load Average maximum passenger load along the route	MEDIUM
Existing Population and Employment Amount of residents and jobs within 1/4 mile of the route	LOW
Safety Percentage of the route located within the Dallas High Injury Network	MEDIUM
Equity/Ridership Profile Route proximity to Justice40 Census tracts	MEDIUM







RECOMMENDATIONS

Route 18 connects South Garland Transit Center to Downtown Dallas. Transit Signal Priority at the western entrance of the South Garland Transit Center would help speed up vehicles turning in and out of the transit center on many routes. Relocating bus stops at Shiloh Rd and Northwest Hwy would also improve transfers between Routes 15, 18, and 20. A new signal with a protected left turn phase for vehicles at Shiloh Rd and Centerville Rd would reduce delays and increase safety. Right turn overlap phase for buses turning from Joaquin Dr to Ferguson Rd should be considered, as well as the removal of the Ferguson at Joaquin S bus stop. The turning radius at Ferguson Rd and Gus Thomasson Rd should also be improved to accommodate northbound transit vehicles.

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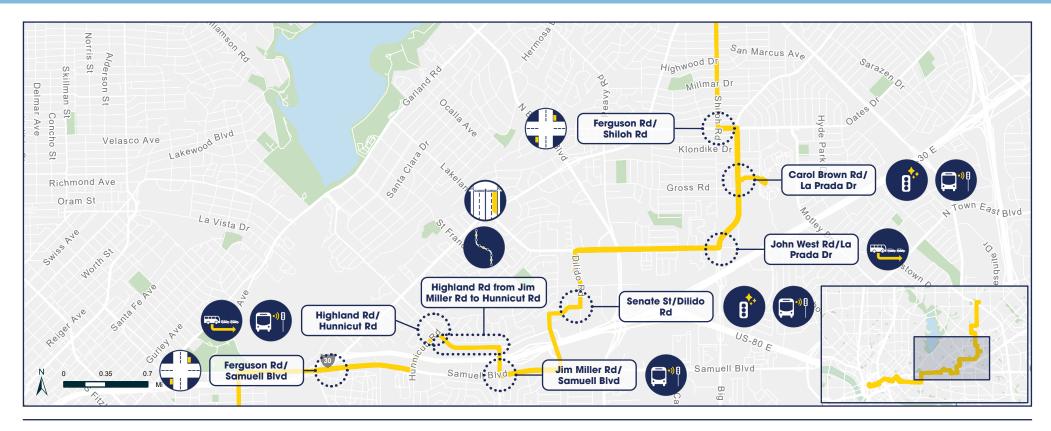


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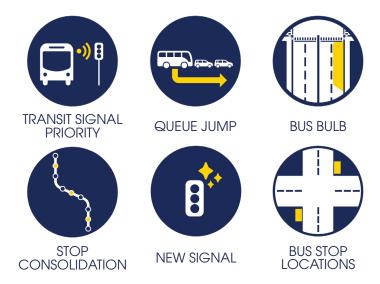




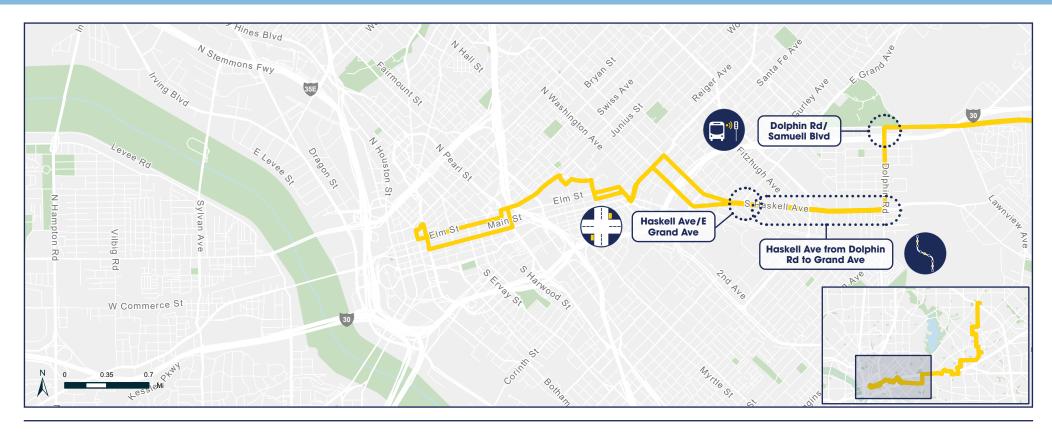
RECOMMENDATIONS

The bus stop at Shiloh north of Oates could be relocated to minimize buses needing to merge to the left lane in order to turn onto Oates. A queue jump could also be built in unused right-of-way at John West Rd and La Prada Dr. New signals with TSP should also be added at Carol Brown Rd & La Prada Dr and Senate St & Dilido Rd. Transit Signal Priority at Jim Miller Rd & Samuell Blvd and a new signal with a queue jump at Highland Rd & Hunnicut Rd would improve speed and reliability for turning vehicles.

Consolidating bus stops on Highland Rd between Jim Miller Rd and Hunnicut Rd would also improve efficiency for vehicles traveling on this segment. Bus bulbs should also be considered for this portion of the route to minimize delay re-entering traffic. The bus stops at Samuell Blvd and Ferguson Rd may also be relocated to reduce weaving required of buses traveling in the through lane.





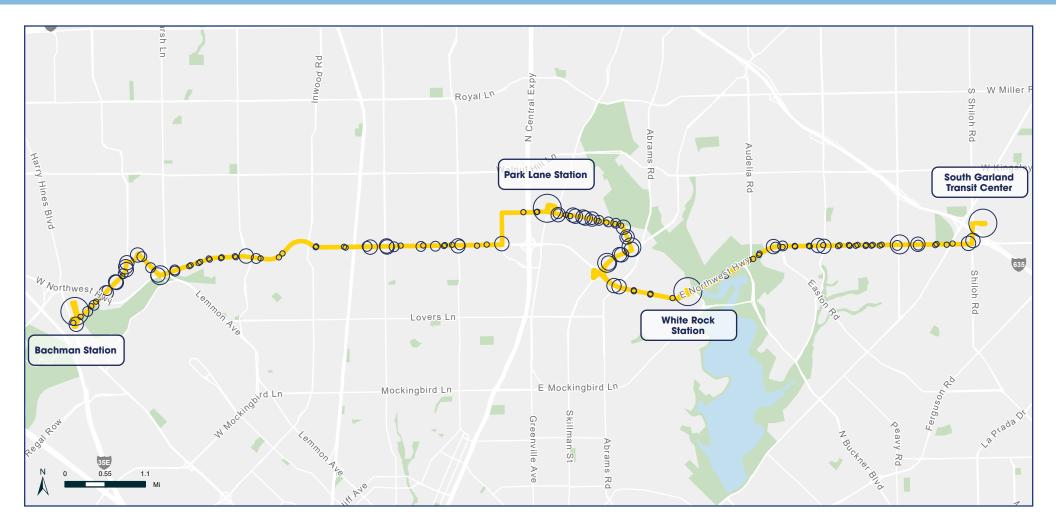


RECOMMENDATIONS

Transit Signal Priority at the intersection of Dolphin Rd and Samuell Blvd would improve reliability for left-turning vehicles, while consolidating bus stops along Haskell Ave would also improve efficiency and travel times for vehicles appraoching and leaving Downtown. The bus stop at Haskell Ave and E Grand Ave may also be relocated to reduce weaving required of buses traveling in the through lane.







TERMINI

Bachman Station South Garland Transit Center

FREQUENCY

15 min Peak 20 min Midday

AVERAGE DAILY BOARDINGS

1,830

ROUTE CONNECTIONS

Routes 15, 16, 18, 27, 203, 204, 212, 213, 233, 237, 242, 247, 251, 402, Lakewood GoLink, Lake Highlands GoLink, Red Line, Blue Line

KEY DESTINATIONS

Park Lane Station White Rock Station Dallas Children's Theater Medallion Shopping Center Amberton University Bachman Lake Park White Rock Lake Park NorthPark Center

LEGEND Average Daily Boardings

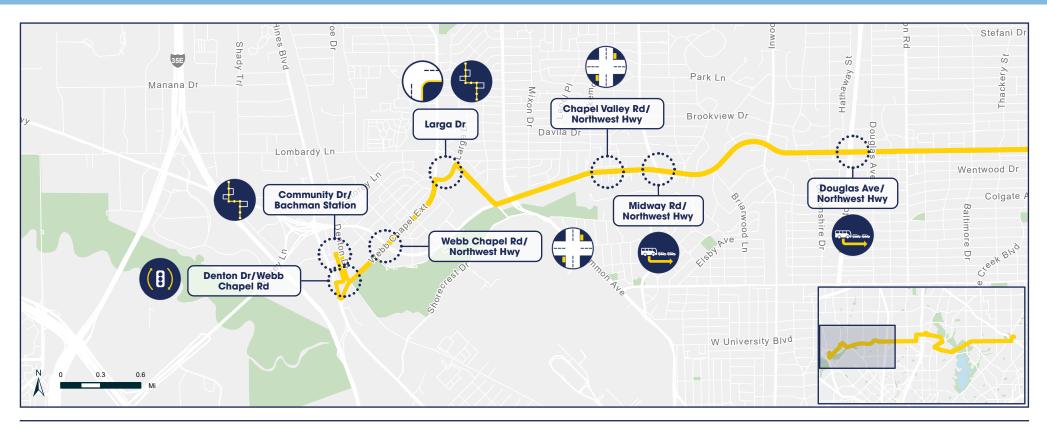
5 or fewer boardings
 6 - 10 boardings
 11 - 50 boardings
 51 - 100 boardings
 Over 100 boardings



Performance Measure	Route Total Score
Transit Delay Amount of delay buses experience compared to the posted speed limit	HIGH
Travel Time Variance High score indicates high variability in travel times along the route	HIGH
Bus Volume Average number of vehicles per hour on weekdays	HIGH
Average Ridership Average daily stop-level boardings in each direction	HIGH
Max Passenger Load Average maximum passenger load along the route	HIGH
Existing Population and Employment Amount of residents and jobs within 1/4 mile of the route	HIGH
Safety Percentage of the route located within the Dallas High Injury Network	VERY HIGH
Equity/Ridership Profile Route proximity to Justice40 Census tracts	MEDIUM







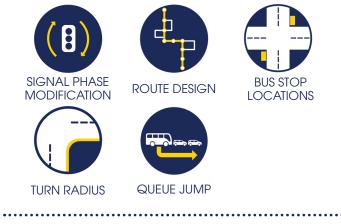
RECOMMENDATIONS

Route 20 runs east/west between Bachman Station and South Garland Transit Center. Adding a protected left turn signal at Denton Rd and Webb Chapel Rd or realigning the route to avoid Community Dr would help vehicles enter and exit Bachman Station more efficiently.

To address tight right turns to and from Larga Dr, the turning radii at Webb Chapel Rd and Webb Chapel Extension should be adjusted or the route should be realigned to continued north to Lombardy Ln.

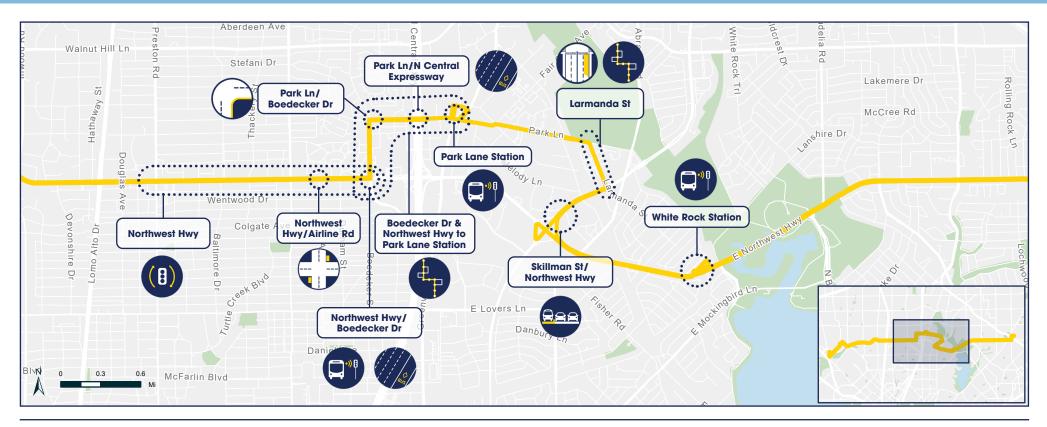
Relocating bus stops to the far side of the intersection at Northwest Hwy & Webb Chapel and Northwest Hwy & Chapel Valley Rd will help vehicles move through the area more efficiently. Adding queue jumps on Northwest Hwy at Midway Rd and Douglas Ave will also move transit vehicles through the intersection faster as well.

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RECOMMENDATIONS

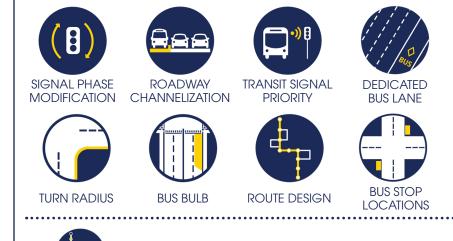
Route 20 continues on Northwest Hwy, where improved green light timing would benefit transit vehicles traveling east toward Boedecker Dr.

The eastbound stop at Northwest Hwy and Airline Rd should be removed or shifted to the west. Transit Signal Priority and an acceleration lane should be considered at Boedecker Dr and Northwest Hwy for westbound buses. The right turn radius at Park Ln and Boedecker St should also be improved to accommodate transit vehicles, and the outside through lane along the Northwest Highway interchange could also be converted to a bus-only lane. Alternatively, the route could be realigned between Boedecker Dr & Northwest Hwy and Park Lane Station to use Caruth Haven Ln and Greenville Ave to get to Park Lane Station to avoid slow downs on Boedecker Dr and Park Ln.

To improve reliability along Larmanda St, bus bulbs should be added or the route should be moved to a nearby street. Adding TSP at the entrances to White Rock Station and Park Lane Station would improve reliability for vehicles turning into and out of stations.

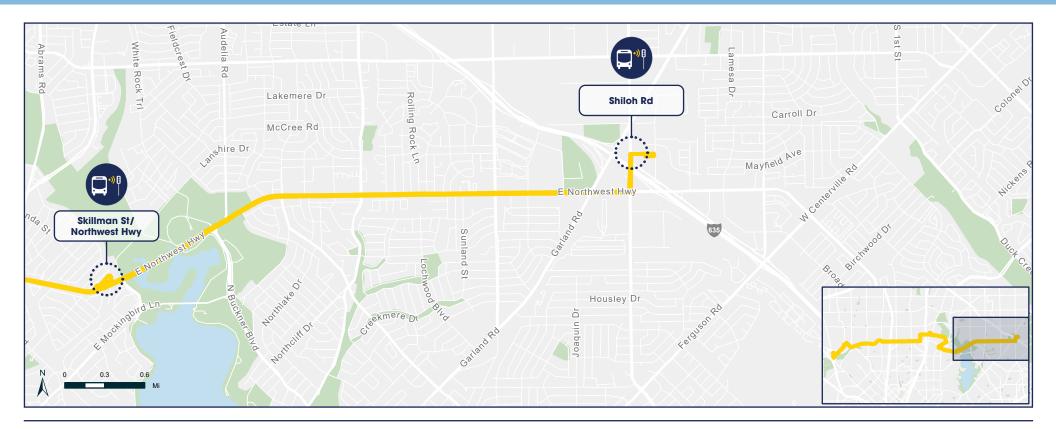
Building an acceleration lane would also help buses moving from Skillman St onto Northwest Hwy get up to speed before merging with general traffic.

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RECOMMENDATIONS

Adding Transit Signal Priority at Shiloh Rd would help improve reliability of routes entering and exiting the South Garland Transit Center. Adding TSP at the entrances to White Rock Station would improve reliability for vehicles turning into and out of stations.

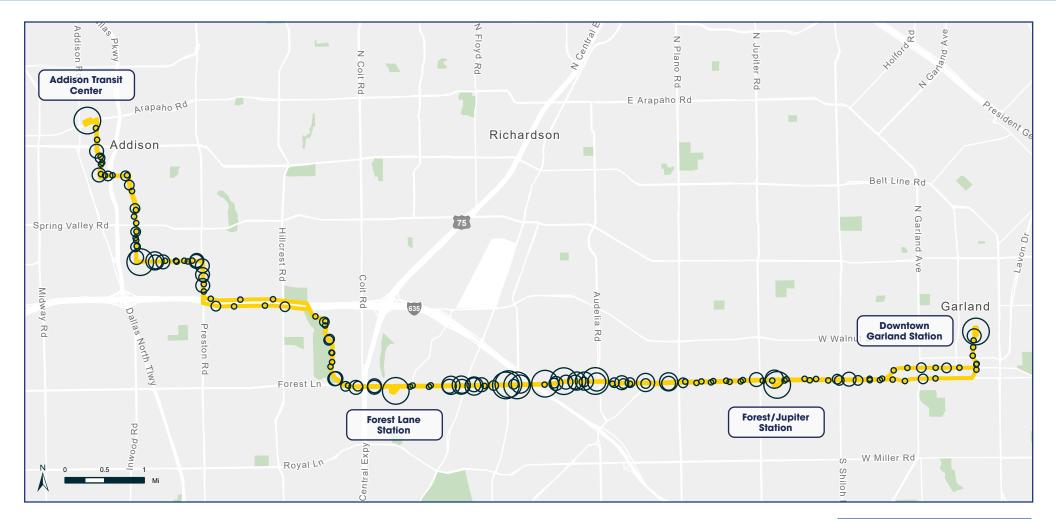
Additionally, stop consolidation is recommended along the entirety of Route 20.

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TERMINI

Addison Transit Center Downtown Garland Station

FREQUENCY

15 min Peak 20 min Midday

AVERAGE DAILY BOARDINGS

2,987

ROUTE CONNECTIONS

Routes 17, 200, 202, 203, 224, 227, 237, 238, 239, 241, 243, 245, 247, 250, 251, Medical City Shuttle, Red Line, Blue Line, Orange Line

KEY DESTINATIONS

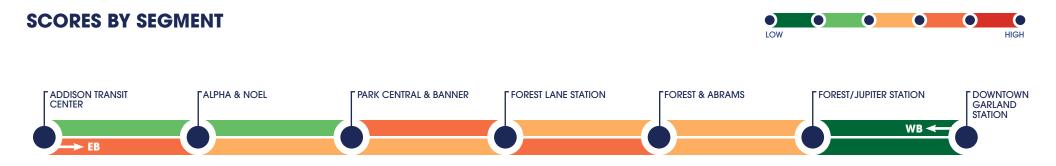
Forest Lane Station Forest/Jupiter Station Galleria Dallas Valley View Mall/Dallas Midtown Medical City Hospital Texas Instruments Addison Aiport

LEGEND

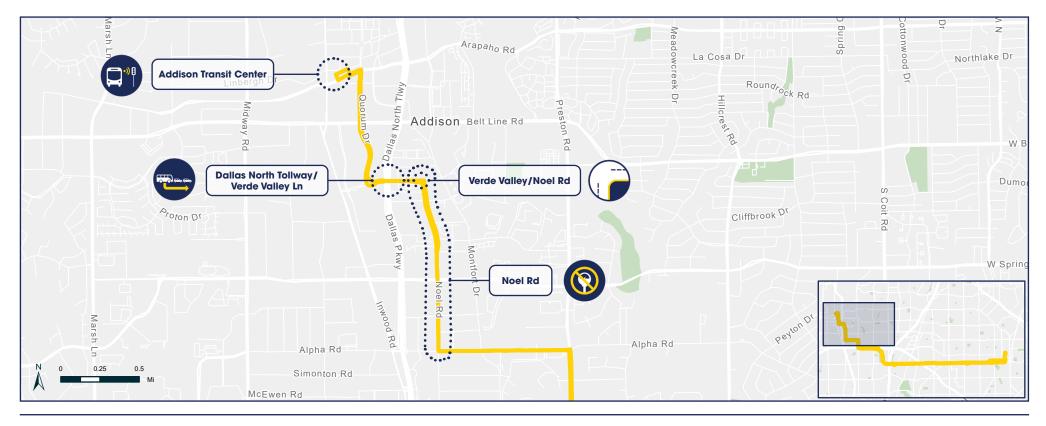
Average Daily Boardings05 or fewer boardings06 - 10 boardings011 - 50 boardings051 - 100 boardings0Over 100 boardings



Performance Measure	Route Total Score
Transit Delay Amount of delay buses experience compared to the posted speed limit	HIGH
Travel Time Variance High score indicates high variability in travel times along the route	MEDIUM
Bus Volume Average number of vehicles per hour on weekdays	LOW
Average Ridership Average daily stop-level boardings in each direction	HIGH
Max Passenger Load Average maximum passenger load along the route	HIGH
Existing Population and Employment Amount of residents and jobs within 1/4 mile of the route	VERY HIGH
Safety Percentage of the route located within the Dallas High Injury Network	MEDIUM
Equity/Ridership Profile Route proximity to Justice40 Census tracts	MEDIUM







RECOMMENDATIONS

Route 22 connects Addison and Garland. A bus-activated signal at the Addison Transit Center entrance would speed up vehicles enterning and exiting, and a potential queue jump on Verde Valley Ln would help move transit vehicles through the intersection with the Dallas North Tollway faster. The right turn radius at Verde Valley and Noel Rd should be improved to accommodate eastbound buses. Removing street parking on southbound Noel Rd would also enhance transit operations and improve access to stops along the route.

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RECOMMENDATIONS

From Preston, Route 22 travels along the I-635 frontage road to Park Central Dr then remains on Forest Ln. The bus stop on Preston Rd just north of I-635 should be removed or relocated. On-street parking on Park Central Dr in front of Medical City Dallas Hospital should also be eliminated.

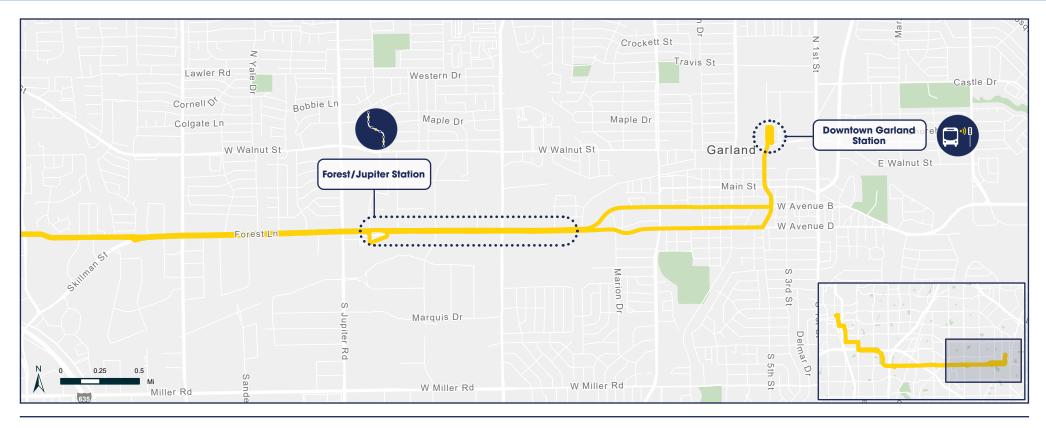
The area around Forest Lane Station sees continually slow speeds, which Transit Signal Priority at the station entrance and at Forest Ln & TI Blvd would improve. A queue jump adjacent to the median would also help vehicles turning from Park Central Dr onto Forest Ln and moving through the I-635 & Forest Ln intersection. Relocating bus stops at Forest Ln and Audelia Rd would also facilitate easier transfers between Routes 17 and 22.

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RECOMMENDATIONS

Continuing eastward, Route 22 serves the Forest/Jupiter Station and Downtown Garland Station. A bus-activated signal at the entrance to Downtown Garland Station would improve reliability for transfering riders. Bus stop optimization and consolidation opportunities exist along entire route based on spacing and ridership, and would be particularly beneficial along Forest Ln where speeds are slower.

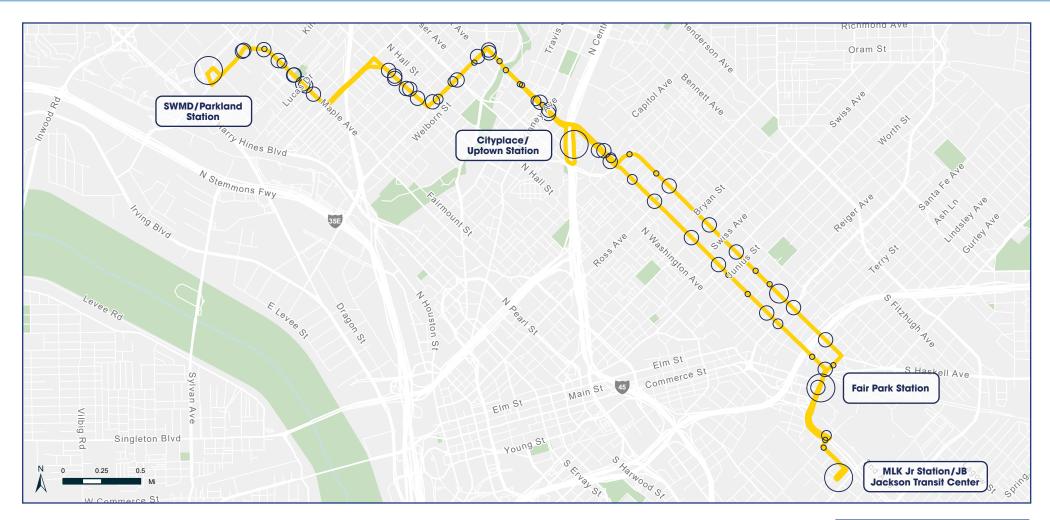
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Route 23 - Haskell





TERMINI

SWMD/Parkland Station MLK Jr Station/J.B. Jackson Transit Center

FREQUENCY

15 min Peak 20 min Midday

AVERAGE DAILY BOARDINGS

1,303

ROUTE CONNECTIONS

Routes 1, 3, 9, 13, 57, 10, 103, 104, 105, 207, 209, 213, 214, 216, 219, 222, 230, 237, 249, 422, 434, 435, 436, South Dallas GoLink, Red Line, Blue Line, Orange Line, Green Line

KEY DESTINATIONS

Cityplace/Uptown Station Fair Park Station Baylor University Medical Center Baylor Medical Center Uptown Parkland Hospital Children's Medical Center

LEGEND

Average Daily Boardings05 or fewer boardings06 - 10 boardings011 - 50 boardings051 - 100 boardings00ver 100 boardings

Route 23 - Haskell

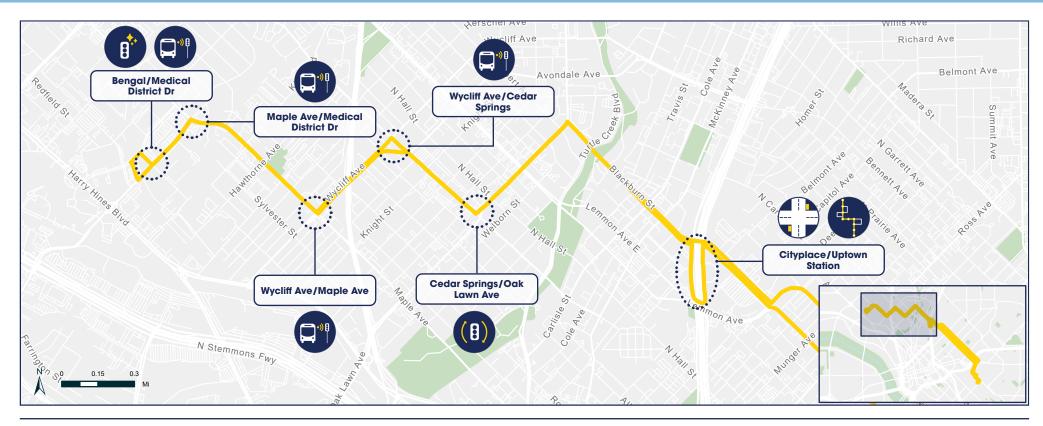


Performance Measure	Route Total Score
Transit Delay Amount of delay buses experience compared to the posted speed limit	HIGH
Travel Time Variance High score indicates high variability in travel times along the route	MEDIUM
Bus Volume Average number of vehicles per hour on weekdays	MEDIUM
Average Ridership Average daily stop-level boardings in each direction	MEDIUM
Max Passenger Load Average maximum passenger load along the route	LOW
Existing Population and Employment Amount of residents and jobs within 1/4 mile of the route	MEDIUM
Safety Percentage of the route located within the Dallas High Injury Network	MEDIUM
Equity/Ridership Profile Route proximity to Justice40 Census tracts	LOW



Route 23 - Haskell

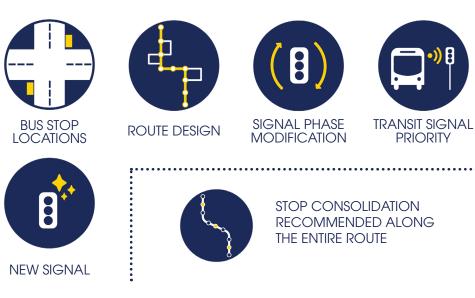




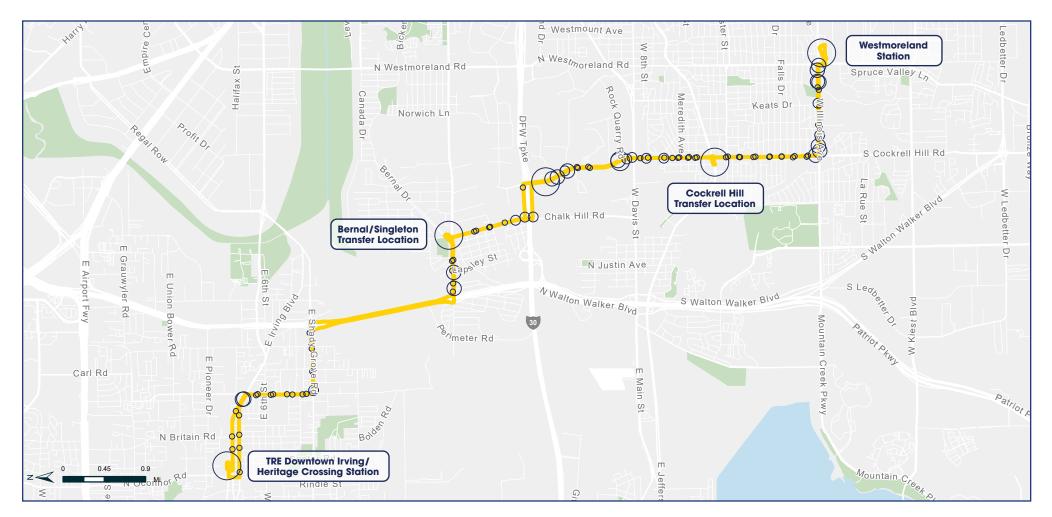
RECOMMENDATIONS

Route 23 connects Parkland Station with MLK Station. A new signal that replaces the existing signal and accomodates protected left-turns and Transit Signal Priority is recommended at Bengal & Medical District Dr. TSP is also recommended at the Maple Ave & Medical District Dr, Wycliff Ave & Maple Ave and Wycliff Ave & Cedar Springs intersections. A permanent protected left turn is recommended at the Cedar Springs and Oak Lawn signal. Removing route deviations down to Lemmon Ave for City Place Station stop is recommended to improve efficiency, but adding a new bus stop on Haskell near US 75 would preserve walking access to the station.

There are no recommendations made for other segments of the route.







TERMINI

Westmoreland Station Downtown Irving/Heritage Crossing Station

FREQUENCY

15 min Peak 20 min Midday

AVERAGE DAILY BOARDINGS

1,235

ROUTE CONNECTIONS

Routes 9, 28, 57, 104, 108, 221, 223, 225, 226, 227, 229, 230, 231, South Irving & East Irving GoLink, West Dallas GoLink, Mountain Creek GoLink, Red Line

KEY DESTINATIONS

Dallas College Irving Center Dallas College Mountain View Campus Pinnacle Park Cockrell Hill Transfer Location

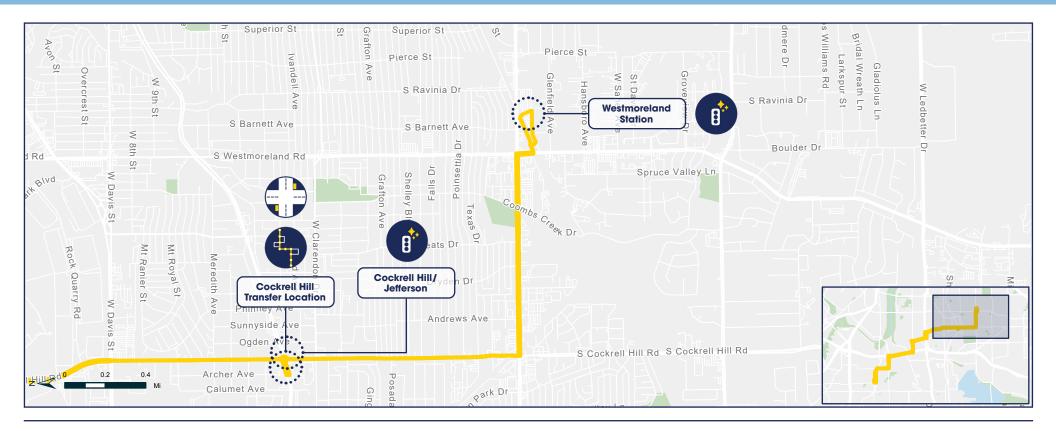
LEGEND

Average Daily Boardings05 or fewer boardings06 - 10 boardings011 - 50 boardings051 - 100 boardings00ver 100 boardings



Performance Measure	Route Total Score
Transit Delay Amount of delay buses experience compared to the posted speed limit	MEDIUM
Travel Time Variance High score indicates high variability in travel times along the route	HIGH
Bus Volume Average number of vehicles per hour on weekdays	HIGH
Average Ridership Average daily stop-level boardings in each direction	HIGH
Max Passenger Load Average maximum passenger load along the route	MEDIUM
Existing Population and Employment Amount of residents and jobs within 1/4 mile of the route	MEDIUM
Safety Percentage of the route located within the Dallas High Injury Network	LOW
Equity/Ridership Profile Route proximity to Justice40 Census tracts	HIGH





RECOMMENDATIONS

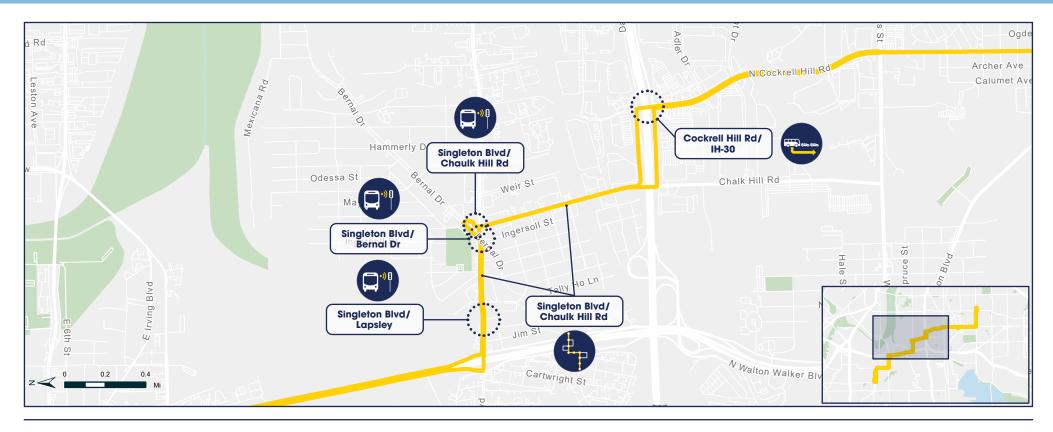
Route 25 serves West Dallas with termini at Westmoreland Station and Downtown Irving/Heritage Crossing. Removing the deviation to Cockrell Hill Transfer Location would enhance the route's efficiency, while adding a bus stop nearby would maintain walkng access to the transfer station. A new signal for buses entering Westmoreland station on the western side of the facility from Cockrell Hill Transfer Station should also be considered. The roundabout at Cockrell Hill/Jefferson intersection should be replaced with a new traffic signal.

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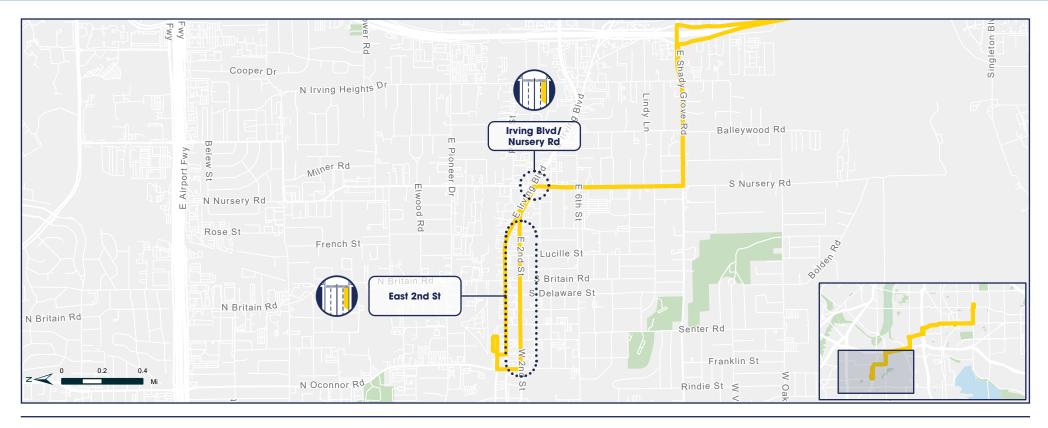
RECOMMENDATIONS

Further north on Route 25, a northbound queue jump is recommended at Cockrell Hill Rd and the eastbound IH-30 ramp. Buses should be prohibited from stopping for an extended period on eastbound Singleton west of Lapsley when running early to avoid sight distance issue for automobiles on Lapsley. Additional changes should either provide Transit Signal Priority at the Singleton Blvd & Bernal Dr and Singleton Blvd & Chaulk Hill intersections OR realign the portion of the route on Singleton and Chaulk Hill to Loop 12 and I-30 to avoid freight rail-related delays on Chaulk Hill Rd.

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RECOMMENDATIONS

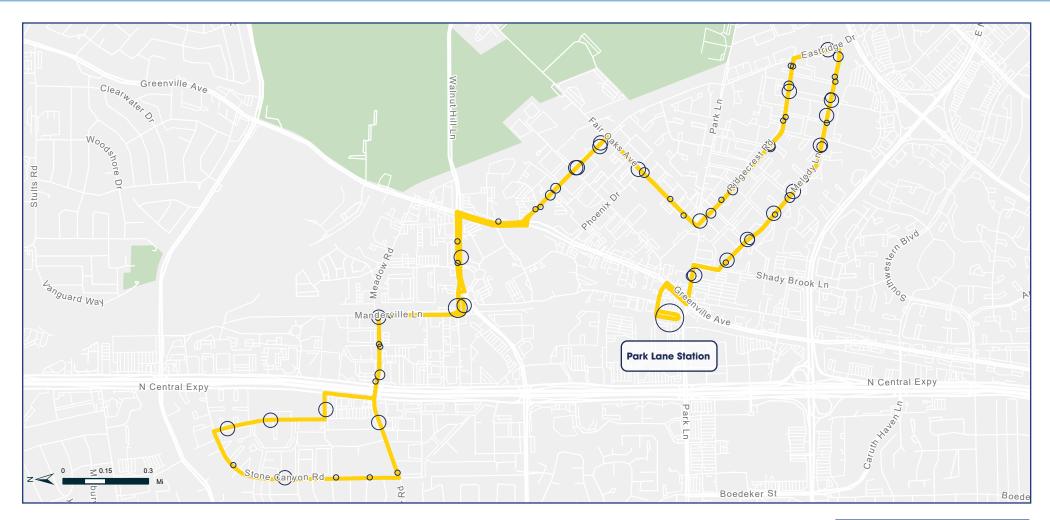
At the northern end of the route, bus bulbs are recommended at the Irving Blvd and Nursery Rd intersection, the Downtown Irving/ Heritage Crossing stop and on parts of E 2nd St that have right side parking (e.g., Britain, Falcon stops).

TOOLBOX ICON DEFINITON



Route 27 - Ridgecrest





TERMINI

Park Lane Station Stone Canyon & Steppington

FREQUENCY

15 min Peak 20 min Off-Peak

AVERAGE DAILY BOARDINGS

1,029

ROUTE CONNECTIONS

Routes 20, 402, North Dallas GoLink, North Central Dallas GoLink, Red Line, Orange Line

KEY DESTINATIONS

The Art Institute of Dallas NorthPark Shopping Center Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital Dallas

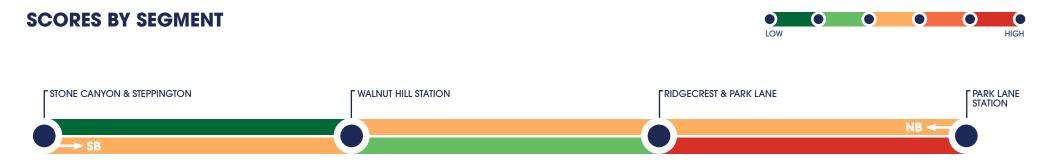
LEGEND

Average Daily BoardingsO5 or fewer boardingsO6 - 10 boardingsO11 - 50 boardingsO51 - 100 boardingsOOver 100 boardings

Route 27 - Ridgecrest

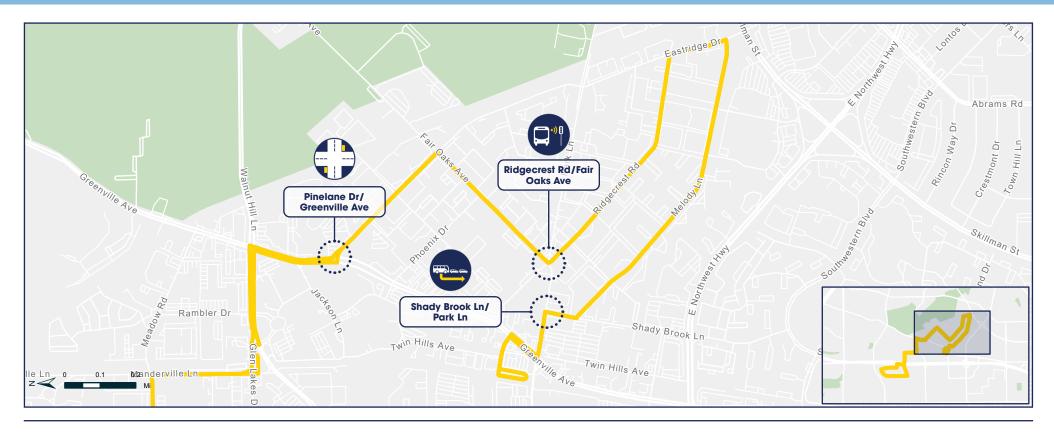


Performance Measure	Route Total Score
Transit Delay Amount of delay buses experience compared to the posted speed limit	MEDIUM
Travel Time Variance High score indicates high variability in travel times along the route	LOW
Bus Volume Average number of vehicles per hour on weekdays	MEDIUM
Average Ridership Average daily stop-level boardings in each direction	HIGH
Max Passenger Load Average maximum passenger load along the route	MEDIUM
Existing Population and Employment Amount of residents and jobs within 1/4 mile of the route	HIGH
Safety Percentage of the route located within the Dallas High Injury Network	LOW
Equity/Ridership Profile Route proximity to Justice40 Census tracts	MEDIUM



Route 27 - Ridgecrest





RECOMMENDATIONS

Route 27 serves Vickery Meadow with termini at Park Lane Rail Station and Stone Canyon & Steppington. A northbound queue jump should be considered at Shady Brook Ln and Park Ln in the existing right turn lane. Transit Signal Priority should be provided for northbound and southbound bus movements through the Ridgecrest/Fair Oaks intersection. The bus stop on Greenville Ave north of Pineland Dr should also be moved closer to the intersection to allow more time for buses to merge to make the left turn at Walnut Hill Ln. Throughout the corridor, bus stop relocation and consolidation is recommended.

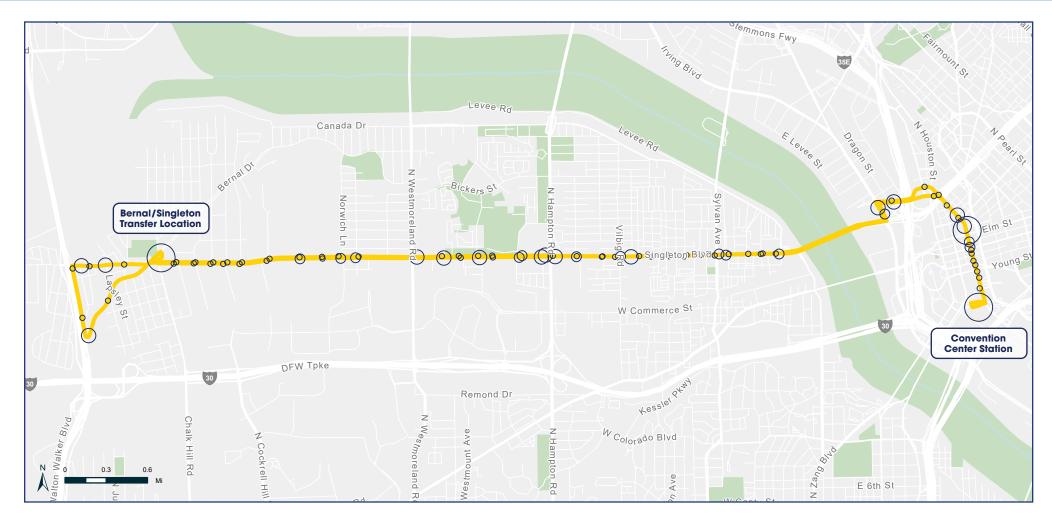
There are no recommendations made for other segments of this route.

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TERMINI

Walton Walker & Singleton Convention Center Station

FREQUENCY

15 min Peak 20 min Midday

AVERAGE DAILY BOARDINGS

1,012

ROUTE CONNECTIONS

Routes 57, 101, 106, 125, 219, 230, West Dallas GoLink, Red Line, Blue Line, Green Line, Orange Line

KEY DESTINATIONS

Dealey Plaza JFK Memorial Plaza Civic Garden Pioneer Plaza Pegasus Plaza Trinity Grove Victory Park Kay Bailey Hutchison Convention Center West End Historic District

LEGENDAverage Daily BoardingsO5 or fewer boardingsO6 - 10 boardingsO11 - 50 boardingsO51 - 100 boardingsOOver 100 boardings



Performance Measure	Route Total Score
Transit Delay Amount of delay buses experience compared to the posted speed limit	LOW
Travel Time Variance High score indicates high variability in travel times along the route	MEDIUM
Bus Volume Average number of vehicles per hour on weekdays	LOW
Average Ridership Average daily stop-level boardings in each direction	LOW
Max Passenger Load Average maximum passenger load along the route	LOW
Existing Population and Employment Amount of residents and jobs within 1/4 mile of the route	LOW
Safety Percentage of the route located within the Dallas High Injury Network	LOW
Equity/Ridership Profile Route proximity to Justice40 Census tracts	LOW







RECOMMENDATIONS

Route 28 serves West and Downtown Dallas with termini at Walton Walker & Singleton and the Convention Center. A bus and right turn only lane should be considered at N. Walton Walker Blvd and Singleton Blvd. Transit Signal Priority should be considered at the Bernal/Singleton Transfer Location, Singleton & Vinson St and Weisenberger Dr, and Singleton & Esmalda St. Bus stop consolidation is also recommended on Singleton Blvd between Bernal Dr and Esmalda St. Transit vehicles should be prohibited from stopping for an extended period on eastbound Singleton Blvd west of Lapsley when running early to avoid sight distance issue for northbound Lapsley automobiles turning left.

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STOP CONSOLIDATION



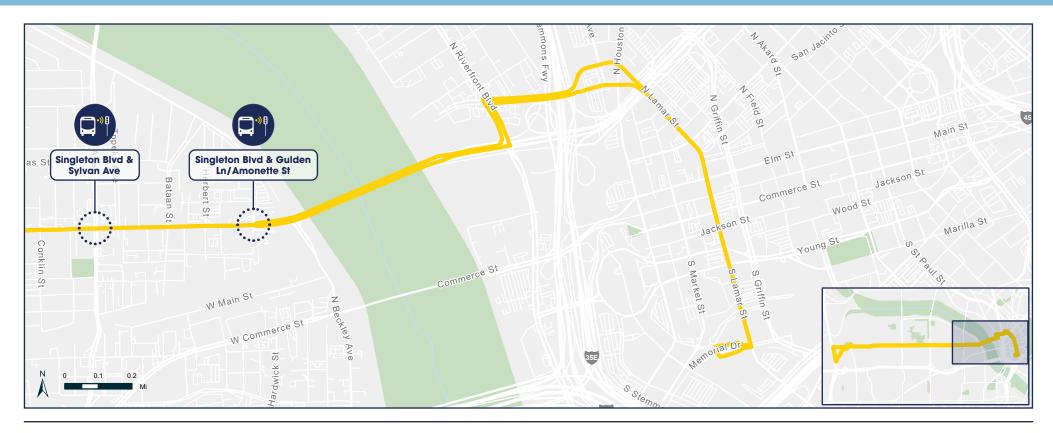


RECOMMENDATIONS

Transit Signal Priority is also recommended on Singleton Blvd at Kingsbridge, Hampton, Vilbig Rd and Sylvan Ave intersections. Bus stop consolidation is recommended between Esmalda St and Hampton Rd and between Hampton Rd and Sylvan Ave.





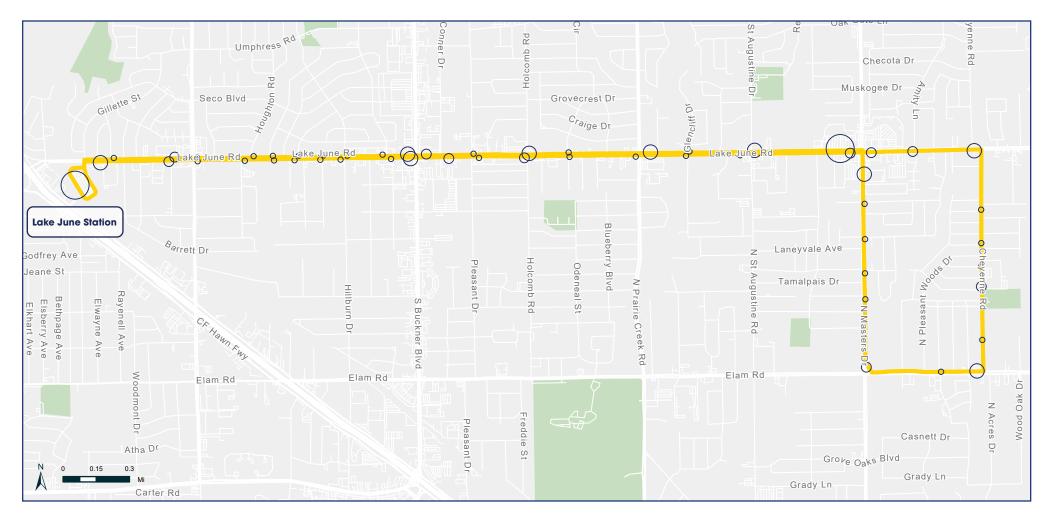


RECOMMENDATIONS

On the eastern end of the route, Transit Signal Priority should be considered on Singleton Blvd at Gulden Ln/ Amonette St.







TERMINI

Lake June Station Elam & Cheyenne

FREQUENCY

15 min Peak 20 min Midday

AVERAGE DAILY BOARDINGS

434

ROUTE CONNECTIONS

Routes 115, 218, Rylie GoLink, Green Line

KEY DESTINATIONS

Pleasant Grove Branch Library Dallas College Pleasant Grove Center River Ranch at Texas Horse Park Trinity River Audubon Center

LEGEND Average Daily Boardings

5 or fewer boardings
 6 - 10 boardings
 11 - 50 boardings
 51 - 100 boardings
 Over 100 boardings



Performance Measure	Route Total Score
Transit Delay Amount of delay buses experience compared to the posted speed limit	MEDIUM
Travel Time Variance High score indicates high variability in travel times along the route	MEDIUM
Bus Volume Average number of vehicles per hour on weekdays	HIGH
Average Ridership Average daily stop-level boardings in each direction	LOW
Max Passenger Load Average maximum passenger load along the route	MEDIUM
Existing Population and Employment Amount of residents and jobs within 1/4 mile of the route	LOW
Safety Percentage of the route located within the Dallas High Injury Network	LOW
Equity/Ridership Profile Route proximity to Justice40 Census tracts	HIGH





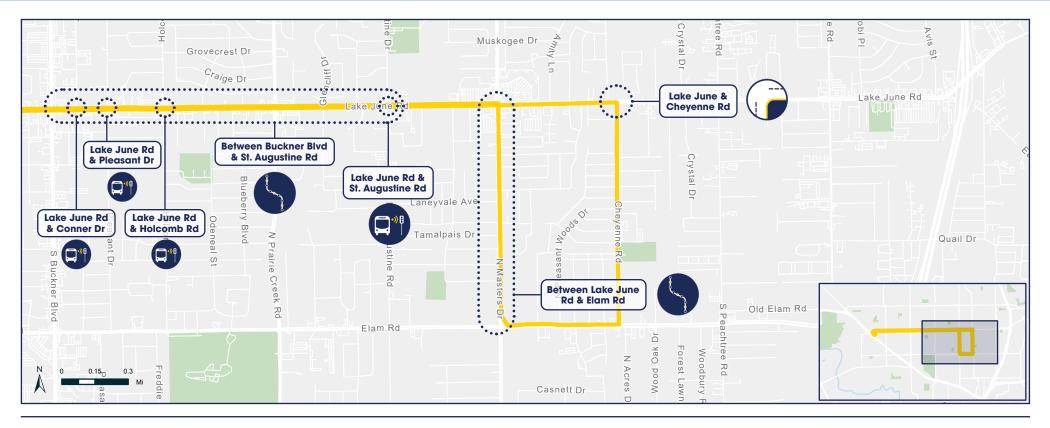


RECOMMENDATIONS

Route 30 serves East Dallas with termini at Lake June Station and Elam & Cheyenne. Bus stop consolidation is recommended on Lake June Rd between Buckner Blvd and Lake June Station. Transit Signal Priority is also recommended at the intersections of Lake June Rd with Jim Miller Rd, Hillburn Dr, Conner Dr, Pleasant Dr, and Holcomb Rd.





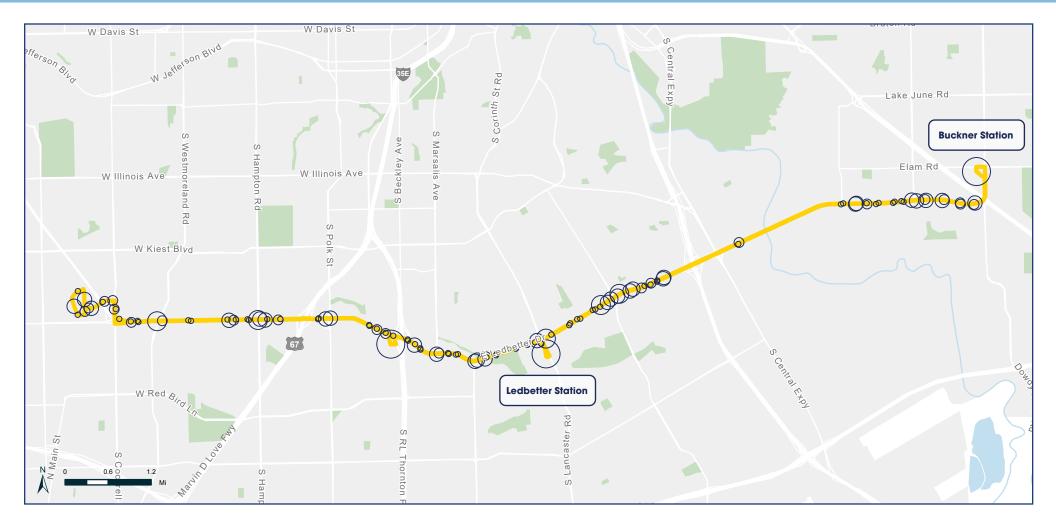


RECOMMENDATIONS

Transit Signal Priority is also recommended on Lake June Rd at St. Augustine Rd, along with turn radius improvements at Lake June Rd & Cheyenne Rd. Bus stop consolidation is recommended along Lake June Rd between Bucner Blvd and St. Augustine Rd and along Masters Dr between Lake June Rd and Elam Rd.







TERMINI

Joseph Hardin AAFES Northbound Buckner Station

FREQUENCY

15 min Peak 20 min Midday

AVERAGE DAILY BOARDINGS

2,657

ROUTE CONNECTIONS

Routes 15, 41, 45, 47, 57, 101, 108, 114, 217, Inland Port GoLink, Inland Port Connect GoLink, Blue Line, Green Line

KEY DESTINATIONS

University of North Texas at Dallas Oak Cliff Community Center River Ranch at Texas Horse Park Trinity River Audubon Center

LEGEND

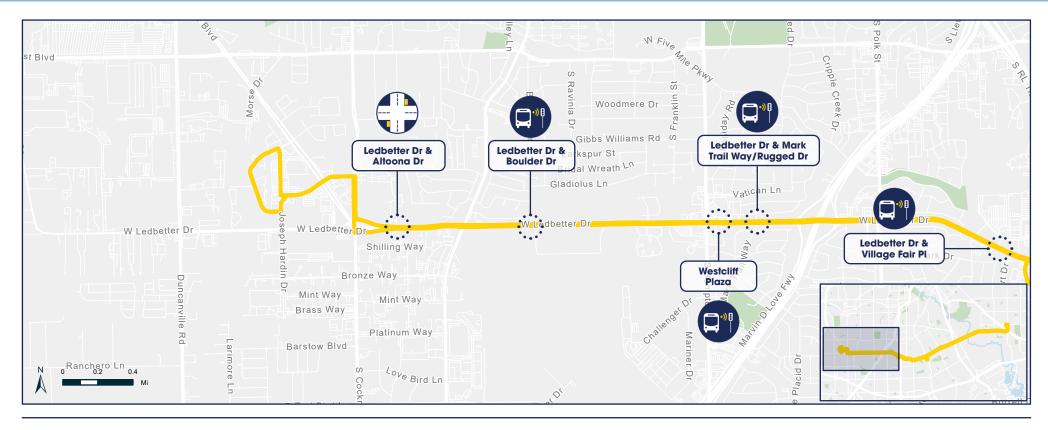
Average Daily Boardingso5 or fewer boardingsO6 - 10 boardingsO11 - 50 boardingsO51 - 100 boardingsOOver 100 boardings



Performance Measure	Route Total Score
Transit Delay Amount of delay buses experience compared to the posted speed limit	MEDIUM
Travel Time Variance High score indicates high variability in travel times along the route	MEDIUM
Bus Volume Average number of vehicles per hour on weekdays	MEDIUM
Average Ridership Average daily stop-level boardings in each direction	HIGH
Max Passenger Load Average maximum passenger load along the route	MEDIUM
Existing Population and Employment Amount of residents and jobs within 1/4 mile of the route	LOW
Safety Percentage of the route located within the Dallas High Injury Network	HIGH
Equity/Ridership Profile Route proximity to Justice40 Census tracts	HIGH







RECOMMENDATIONS

Route 38 serves South Dallas with termini at Joseph Hardin AAFES and Buckner Station. Transit Signal Priority is recommended on Ledbetter Dr at Boulder Dr, the Westcliff Plaza entrance signal, Mark Trail Way/Rugged Dr, and Village Fair Pl. The westbound bus stop on Ledbetter Dr on Altoona Dr is partially in the merge lane, presenting a safety concern, and should be moved to location further east.





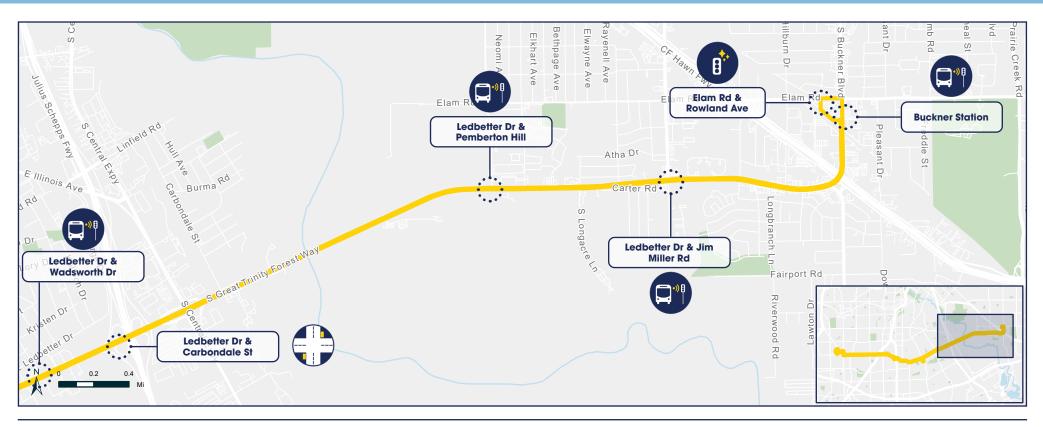


RECOMMENDATIONS

Transit Signal Priority is also recommended at the I-35 service road entrances, University Hills Blvd, Singing Hills Dr, the Ledbetter Station bus exit on Lancaster Rd, Veterans Dr, Bonnie View Rd, and Wadsworth Dr intersections.





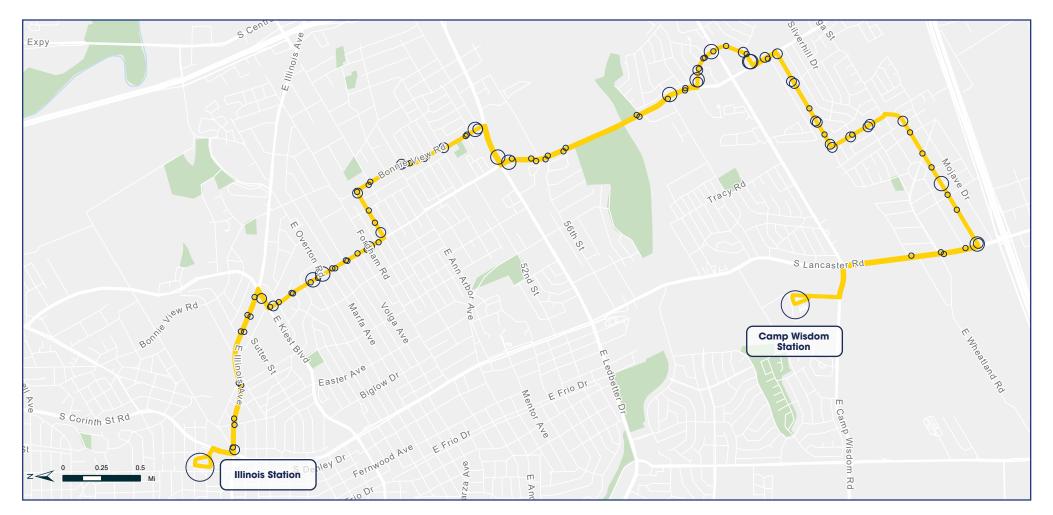


RECOMMENDATIONS

The bus stops on Ledbetter near Carbondale St should be removed due to safety concerns. Transit Signal Priority is recommended on Ledbetter Dr at Pemberton Hill and Jim Miller Rd. At Buckner Station, TSP is recommended at the Kipling Dr exit. A bus left turn signal should be placed at Elam Rd and Rowland Ave/Buckner Station.







TERMINI

Camp Wisdom Station Illinois Station

FREQUENCY

15 min Peak 20 min Midday

AVERAGE DAILY BOARDINGS

914

ROUTE CONNECTIONS

Routes 38, 45, 104, 108, 114, 215, 217, 228, Inland Port GoLink, Inland Port Connect GoLink, Blue Line

KEY DESTINATIONS

Dallas VA Medical Center Paul Quinn College University of North Texas at Dallas

LEGEND

Average Daily BoardingsO5 or fewer boardingsO6 - 10 boardingsO11 - 50 boardingsO51 - 100 boardingsOver 100 boardings



Performance Measure	Route Total Score
Transit Delay Amount of delay buses experience compared to the posted speed limit	MEDIUM
Travel Time Variance High score indicates high variability in travel times along the route	LOW
Bus Volume Average number of vehicles per hour on weekdays	MEDIUM
Average Ridership Average daily stop-level boardings in each direction	MEDIUM
Max Passenger Load Average maximum passenger load along the route	MEDIUM
Existing Population and Employment Amount of residents and jobs within 1/4 mile of the route	LOW
Safety Percentage of the route located within the Dallas High Injury Network	MEDIUM
Equity/Ridership Profile Route proximity to Justice40 Census tracts	HIGH







RECOMMENDATIONS

Route 41 serves South Dallas with termini at Camp Wisdom Station and Illinois Station. Transit Signal Priority is recommended at the Illinois Station exit at S. Corinth St, at Kiest Blvd & Sunnyvale St, and at Sunnyvale St & Overton Rd. Bus stop consolidation is recommended from Illinois Station to Overton Rd & Sunnyvale St.







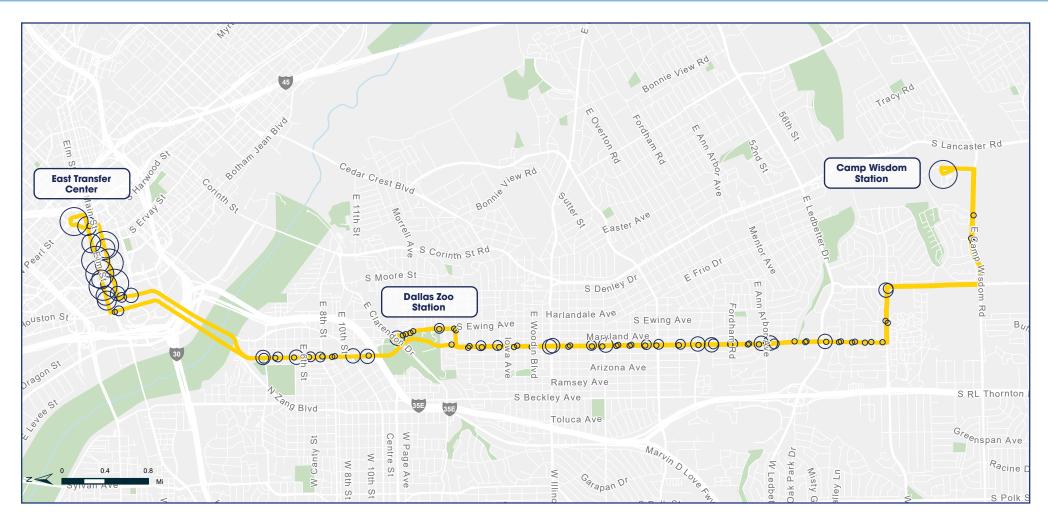
RECOMMENDATIONS

A new signal with Transit Signal Priority should be considered at Bonnie View Rd & Highland Hills Dr and Patrol Way & Camp Wisdom Rd. On-street parking should be removed and bus stop consolidation implemented on Willhurt Ave between Sunnyvale St and Bonnie View Rd.

TOOLBOX ICON DESCRIPTION







TERMINI

Camp Wisdom Station East Transfer Center

FREQUENCY

15 min Peak 20 min Midday

AVERAGE DAILY BOARDINGS

859

ROUTE CONNECTIONS

Routes 9, 38, 41, 104, 108, 228, 215, 226, Inland Port GoLink, Inland Port Connect GoLink, Red Line

KEY DESTINATIONS

Methodist Dallas Medical Center Dallas County Tax Office University of North Texas at Dallas Dallas Zoo

LEGEND

 Average Daily Boardings

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 5 or fewer boardings

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 6 - 10 boardings

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 51 - 100 boardings

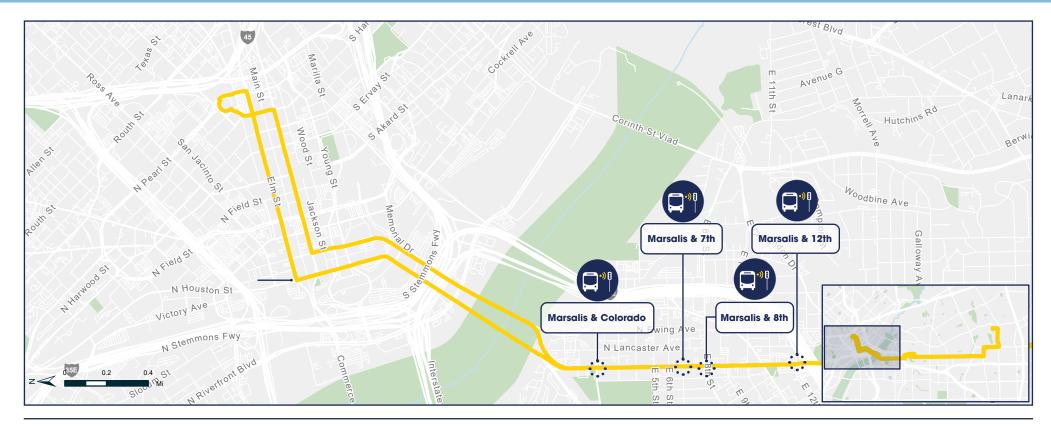
 Over 100 boardings



Performance Measure	Route Total Score
Transit Delay Amount of delay buses experience compared to the posted speed limit	MEDIUM
Travel Time Variance High score indicates high variability in travel times along the route	MEDIUM
Bus Volume Average number of vehicles per hour on weekdays	MEDIUM
Average Ridership Average daily stop-level boardings in each direction	MEDIUM
Max Passenger Load Average maximum passenger load along the route	LOW
Existing Population and Employment Amount of residents and jobs within 1/4 mile of the route	MEDIUM
Safety Percentage of the route located within the Dallas High Injury Network	LOW
Equity/Ridership Profile Route proximity to Justice40 Census tracts	HIGH







RECOMMENDATIONS

Route 45 serves South Dallas into Downtown, with termini at Camp Wsidom Station and the CBD East Transfer Center. Transit Signal Priority on Marsalis Ave at Colorado Blvd, 7th St, 8th St and 12th St should also be considered.







RECOMMENDATIONS

The route alignment to Ewing Ave and Dallas Zoo Station should be reconsidered to minimize deviation. Transit Signal Priority should be considered on Marsalis Ave at Saner Ave, Overton Rd, and Ann Arbor Ave. Bus stop consolidation also recommended along Marsalis between Winter St and Laureland Rd.





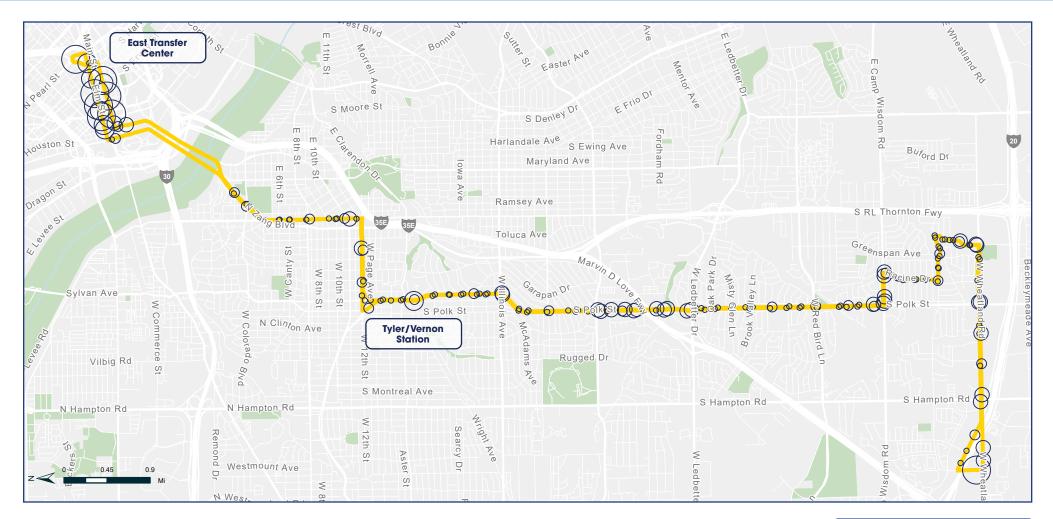


RECOMMENDATIONS

New signals are recommended at Marsalis Ave & Laureland Rd and Patrol Way & Camp Wisdom Rd. Transit Signal Priority may also be considered at Patrol Way & Camp Wisdom to improve efficiency at the beginning and end of the route. Bus stop relocation is also recommended for the stop at Marsalis Ave and Laureland Rd.







TERMINI

Kirnwood & Wheatland East Transfer Center

FREQUENCY

15 min Peak 20 min Midday

AVERAGE DAILY BOARDINGS

1,370

ROUTE CONNECTIONS

Routes 9, 38, 57, 101, 104, 108, 109, 219, 226, Red Line

KEY DESTINATIONS

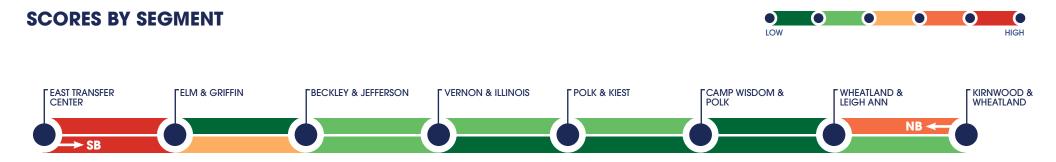
Methodist Dallas Medical Center Dallas County Tax Office University of North Texas at Dallas Carpenter Park Tyler/Vernon Station

LEGEND

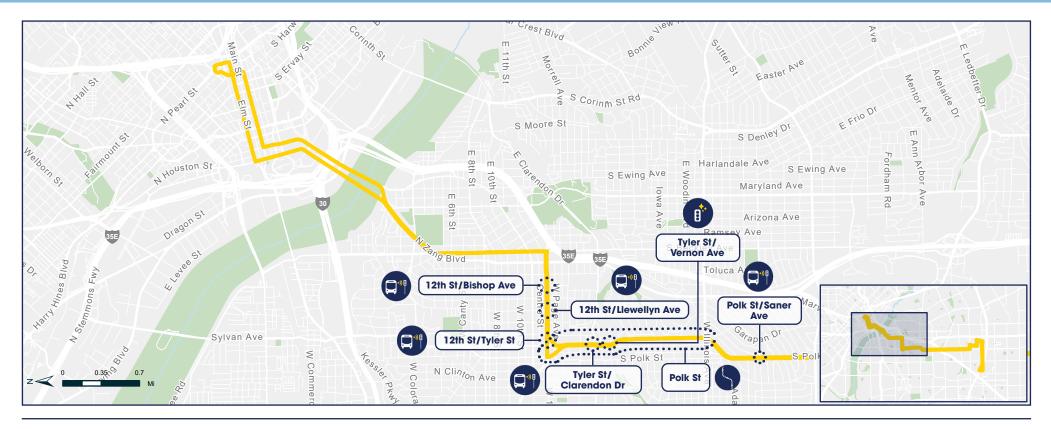
Average Daily Boardings 5 or fewer boardings
6 - 10 boardings
11 - 50 boardings
51 - 100 boardings
Over 100 boardings



Performance Measure	Route Total Score
Transit Delay Amount of delay buses experience compared to the posted speed limit	MEDIUM
Travel Time Variance High score indicates high variability in travel times along the route	MEDIUM
Bus Volume Average number of vehicles per hour on weekdays	MEDIUM
Average Ridership Average daily stop-level boardings in each direction	MEDIUM
Max Passenger Load Average maximum passenger load along the route	MEDIUM
Existing Population and Employment Amount of residents and jobs within 1/4 mile of the route	MEDIUM
Safety Percentage of the route located within the Dallas High Injury Network	MEDIUM
Equity/Ridership Profile Route proximity to Justice40 Census tracts	HIGH







RECOMMENDATIONS

Route 47 serves South Dallas into Downtown with termini at Kirnwood & Wheatland and the East Transfer Center. Transit Signal Priority should be considered on 12th St at Bishop Ave, LLewellyn Ave, Tyler St, as well as at Tyler St & Clarendon Dr and Polk St & Saner Ave. Bus stop consolidation is also recommended on Polk St between 12th and Illinois. A pedestrian signal should be provided at Tyler St and Vernon Ave to accomodate bus riders alighting to board Red Line train.





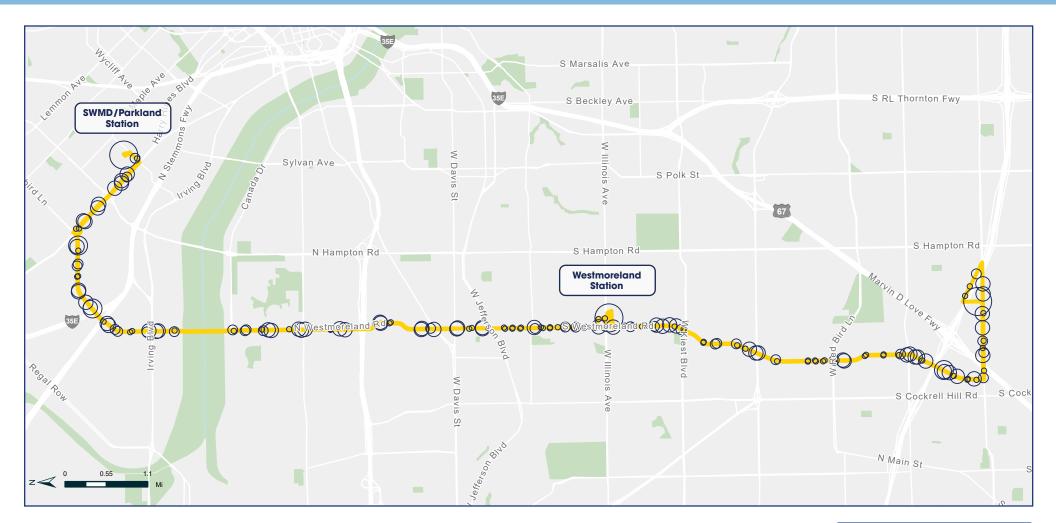


RECOMMENDATIONS

At the southern segment of the route, further Transit Signal Priority should be considered on Polk St at Saner Ave, Pentagon Pkwy, Reynoldston Ln, and Red Bird Ln. Bus stop consolidation is also needed on Racine Dr. On-street parking on Leigh Ann between Kirnwood and Wheatland should be prohibited on at least one side of the street.







TERMINI

Kirnwood & Wheatland SWMD/Parkland Station

FREQUENCY

15 min Peak 20 min Midday

AVERAGE DAILY BOARDINGS

3,005

ROUTE CONNECTIONS

Routes 1, 9, 23, 28, 38, 47, 57, 101, 102, 106, 108, 213, 219, 221, 222, 226, 230, 230, 422, 434, 435, 436, Red Line, Green Line, Orange Line

KEY DESTINATIONS

Dallas College West Dallas Center Dallas Executive Airport-RBD Methodist Charlton Medical Center Methodist Medical Center

LEGEND

 Average Daily Boardings

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 5 or fewer boardings

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 6 - 10 boardings

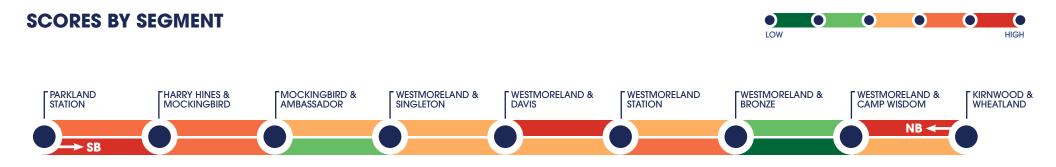
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 11 - 50 boardings

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 51 - 100 boardings

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 Over 100 boardings



Performance Measure	Route Total Score
Transit Delay Amount of delay buses experience compared to the posted speed limit	MEDIUM
Travel Time Variance High score indicates high variability in travel times along the route	HIGH
Bus Volume Average number of vehicles per hour on weekdays	HIGH
Average Ridership Average daily stop-level boardings in each direction	HIGH
Max Passenger Load Average maximum passenger load along the route	VERY HIGH
Existing Population and Employment Amount of residents and jobs within 1/4 mile of the route	HIGH
Safety Percentage of the route located within the Dallas High Injury Network	VERY HIGH
Equity/Ridership Profile Route proximity to Justice40 Census tracts	HIGH





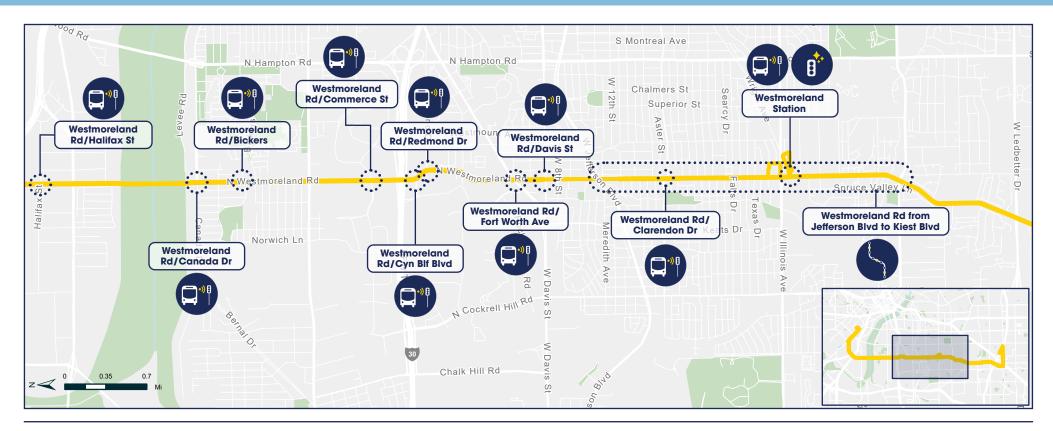


RECOMMENDATIONS

Route 57 serves South and Central Dallas with termini at Kirnwood & Wheatland and Parkland Station. Transit Signal Priority should be considered at Harry Hines and Lofland Blvd, Butler St, Record Crossing, and Mockingbird Ln, as well as at Mockingbird Ln and Oakbrook Dr, Elmwood Dr, Brookriver Dr, Halifax St, Canada Dr, and Bickers St.







RECOMMENDATIONS

A new signal at the western entrance/exit to Wesmoreland Station with added Transit Signal Priority for exiting buses should be considered to improve reliability at the station. TSP should also be considered on Westmoreland Rd and Commerce St, Cyn Blf Blvd, Redmond Dr, Fort Worth Ave, Davis St, and Clarendon Dr. Stop consolidation should also be considered on Westmoreland Rd between Jefferson Blvd and Kiest Blvd.







RECOMMENDATIONS

At the southern segment of the route, bus stop consolidation should be considered on Westmoreland between Camp Wisdom Rd and Wheatland and on Wheatland between Westmoreland and Kirnwood Dr. Transit Signal Priority should be considered at Red Bird Ln, Wheatland & Bolton Boone Dr, Westmoreland at Gannon Ln, and at Investor Dr. A new signal at Kirnwood Dr and the IH-20 frontage road would also help speed up transit vehicles.

