Impact of the Program

UDOT contracted with the Western Transportation Institute to evaluate the benefits of the program. The evaluation sought to answer the following questions:

1. Is the information provided by the program accurate, reliable, and easy to use?
2. Is the program delivering the products it is supposed to?
3. Are the customers satisfied with the service provided by the program?
4. Is the information provided by the program changing users’ behavior, and if so, how?
5. Is the information provided to UDOT personnel valuable in their operations, beyond what is available from other weather information providers?

Evaluation of the UDOT Weather Operations/RWIS Program

The UDOT Weather Operations/RWIS Program has provided a level of service to UDOT personnel that is not available from other forecasting services, such as televised weather forecasts. Several construction engineers and contractors with planning their projects.

The complete results of the evaluation are available in the final report, at http://www.coe.utexas.edu/web/pdf/90183_Final_Report.pdf

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