



QUICK START GUIDE

# TREDLite VMT *for Santa Cruz County*

A Kimley-Horn Sustainable Transportation Solution

This help file describes the main concepts, vocabulary, and application functionality.

# Getting Started

<https://tredlite.kimley-horn.com/sites/santacruz>

Use this website to launch the site from your browser

»TREDLiteVMT

**Choose Your Location**  
Select parcels by choosing them on the map, searching the address, or uploading a project boundary shapefile.

**Jurisdiction**  
Search

**Address**  
Search

**Parcel Selection**  
Zoom in on the map to the parcel level to select the parcels.

Select From Map  
Upload Project Shapefile  
Single Box Shape  
Undo Clear

→ Next

Theme Layers

**»TREDLiteVMT**

**TREDLite (Trip Reduction and Environmental Dashboard)** is a transportation and environmental planning tool that evaluates the sustainability of projects. This tool allows for an assessment of Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT), Greenhouse Gas (GHG) emissions, and other important environmentally sensitive indicators in addition to providing the ability to evaluate the effectiveness of various mitigation solutions to offset identified impacts. Broadly, this planning tool provides the following analysis and information for projects:

- Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE) Trip Generation
- Transit Priority Area (TPA) evaluation
- NCHRP 684 Internal Capture Analysis
- VMT Threshold Analysis
- GHG Estimation of Mobile and Non-Mobile Sources
- Criteria Pollutants Analysis
- Transportation Demand Management (TDM) Evaluation
- VMT Fee-Based Mitigation Analysis (VMT Banking)

In many instances, this analysis tool is sufficient to use as the basis for determining environmental compliance. However, as with any planning tool, its application has limitations both in terms of the appropriate size and types of project for which it should be relied on as the sole basis of analysis.

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## CALLOUT KEY

Callouts in **blue** highlight key instructions or considerations

Callouts in **green** provide general guidance or instructions

## Few things to note:

- TREDLite relies on big data, and travel demand model data that has been processed by Kimley-Horn
- Thresholds are based on OPR guidance and are established for Santa Cruz County
- Sometimes there are "blanks" in the data given that there is no existing data for a land use



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Jurisdiction

City of Santa Cruz

Address

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City Boundary

County Boundary

Santa Cruz 2040 TAZ

Santa Cruz Parcel

Theme Layers

Environment Justice

Residential VMT/Capita

Work VMT/Employee

Click "Next" to proceed.

→ Next

Select Jurisdiction and map will zoom to that area

Option to either enter project address or select parcel using the toggle below

Note: you must zoom in (use mouse scroll wheel) to display the parcel layer to see and select an individual parcel

Click "Single" to pick a specific parcel

Activate colored/hatched theme maps, showing VMT/Capita or VMT/Employee based on thresholds established for the jurisdiction and/or the location of disadvantaged communities.

Map of Santa Cruz area showing streets, parks, and schools.

Inset map showing the location of the selected area within the larger context of the region.

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Project Information

Project Name

Mixed-Use Project A

Analysis Year

2019

ITE Trip Gen Land Use

210 - Single-Family Detached Housing

Land Use Quantity

100

Add Land Use

Project Context/Setting

Low Density Suburb

Enter land use quantity  
(In thousands for nonresidential, dwelling units for residential.)

Select analysis year

Select project land uses  
(up to 10 land uses can be added)

Click to add project land uses

ITE Trip Gen Land Use	Quantity	Units	
710 - General Office Building	50	1,000 Sq Ft	

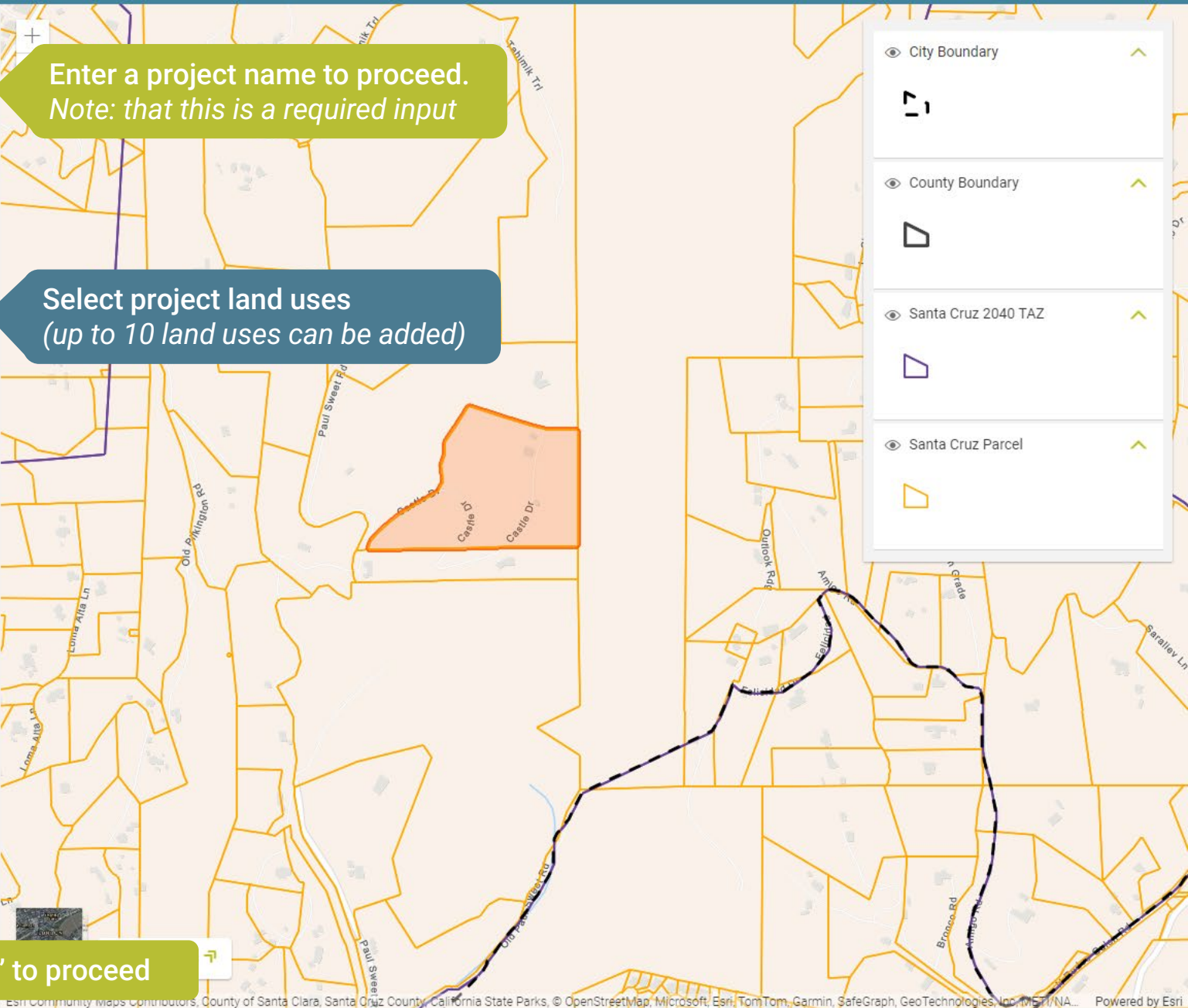
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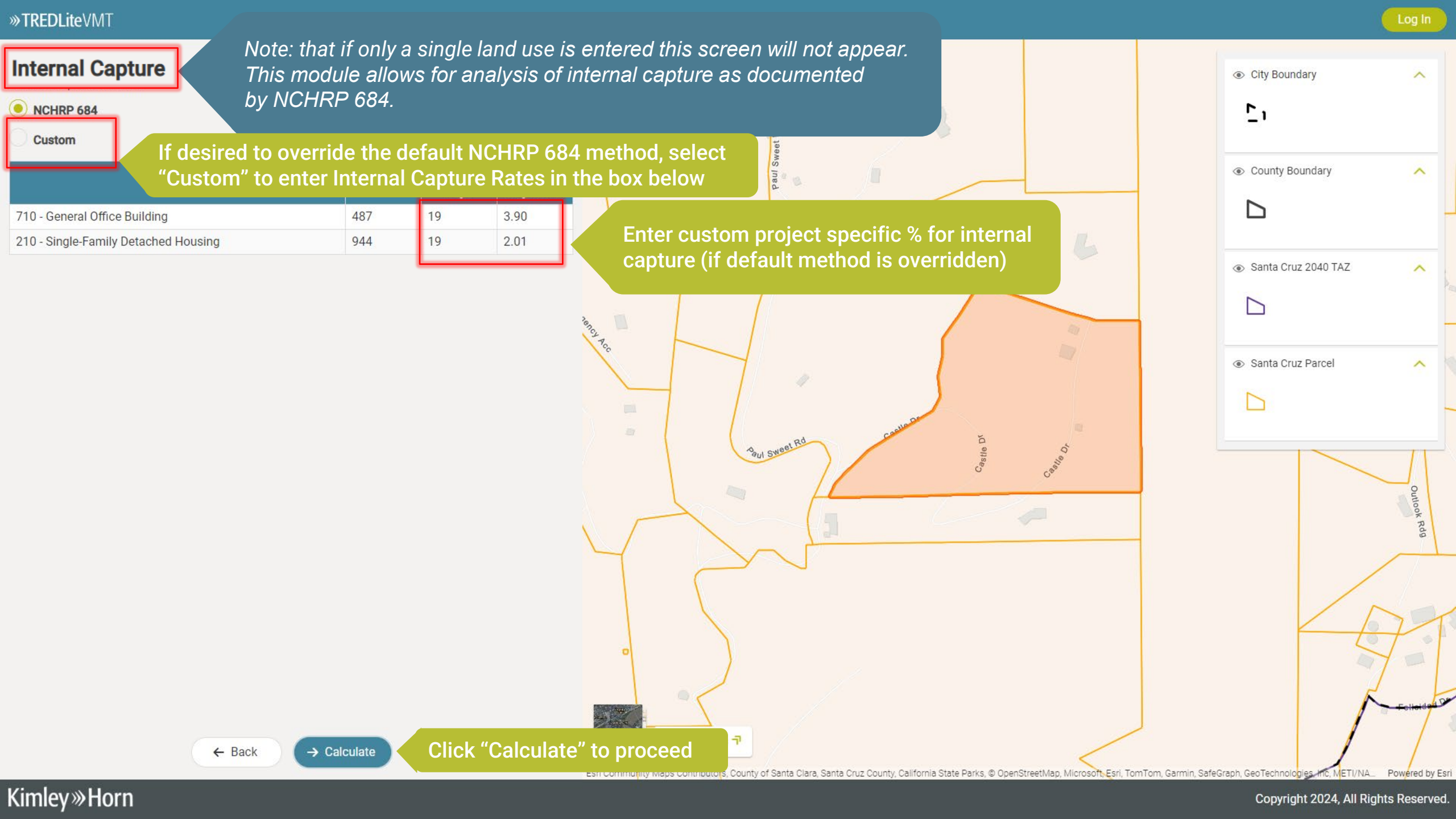
City Boundary

County Boundary

Santa Cruz 2040 TAZ

Santa Cruz Parcel





Internal Capture

☒ NCHRP 684  
☐ Custom

Note: that if only a single land use is entered this screen will not appear. This module allows for analysis of internal capture as documented by NCHRP 684.

If desired to override the default NCHRP 684 method, select "Custom" to enter Internal Capture Rates in the box below

710 - General Office Building	487	19	3.90
210 - Single-Family Detached Housing	944	19	2.01

Enter custom project specific % for internal capture (if default method is overridden)

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Click "Calculate" to proceed

☒ City Boundary

☒ County Boundary

☒ Santa Cruz 2040 TAZ

☒ Santa Cruz Parcel

Analysis

Project Name: Mixed-Use Project A

Location: City of Santa Cruz

Analysis Year: 2019

Project Land Use & Intensities:

Land Use	Quantity	Units	Pe Capita/Employee VMT	Mitigation			
710	50	1,000 Sq Ft	13.0	13.0	1,934.7	9.9	Yes
210	100	Dwelling Unit(s)	19.4	19.4	4,659.0	13.6	Yes
Totals					6,593.7		

Total Emission Estimates:

Pollutant	Mobile	Mitigation	With Mitigation	Non Mobile	Total
CO (lb/day)	71.72	0.00	71.72	134.79	206.51
ROG (lb/day)		0.00	7.40	99.61	107.01
NOX (lb/day)					
SOX (lb/day)					
PM2.5 (lb/day)					
PM10 (lb/day)	8.40	0.00	8.40	18.07	26.47
CO <sub>2</sub> (mt/year)	1,442.96	0.00	1,442.96	623.13	2,066.09

Project Presumptions of Less than Significant Impact

- ☐ Within a 1/2 mile of Major Transit Stop
- ☐ Less than 110 Trips per Day

If your project result is higher than the threshold, we recommend clicking the **Mitigate VMT** button to learn and decide on ways to mitigate your transportation impact. Otherwise, click Print Results.

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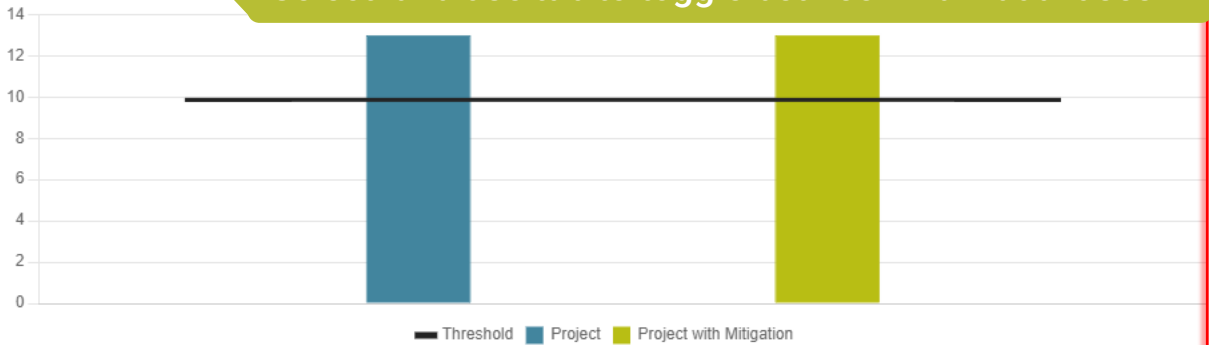
Print Results

→ Mitigate VMT

ITE 710

ITE 210

Select land use tab to toggle between individual uses



Regional Average (HBW VMT/Emp): 11.6 Threshold (15% below Average): 9.9

Metric	Project	Mitigation	With Mitigation
HBW VMT/Emp	13.0	0.0	13.0
Daily Trips	468	0	0

Pollutant	Mobile	Mitigation	With Mitigation	Non Mobile	Total
CO (lb/day)	21.85	0.00	21.85	0.23	22.08
ROG (lb/day)	2.36	0.00	2.36	1.31	3.67
NOX (lb/day)	3.38	0.00	3.38	0.26	3.64
SOX (lb/day)	0.03	0.00	0.03	0.00	0.03
PM2.5 (lb/day)	0.70	0.00	0.70	0.02	0.72
PM10 (lb/day)	2.50	0.00	2.50	0.02	2.52
CO <sub>2</sub> (mt/year)	357.78	0.00	357.78	151.04	508.82

Land Use Presumptions of Less than Significant Impact

- ☐ Affordable Housing
- ☐ Local Serving Land Use

Click "Mitigate VMT"  
if it is over the threshold

Transportation Demand Management (TDM)

VMT can only be mitigated in each group by up to the stated Group Max Reduction. The current reduction listed for each group must not exceed the max reduction for its respective group.

[CAPCOA Handbook](#)

Selected Land Use: 710 - General Office Building

Total Maximum Reduction: 20%

Current Reduction: 42.17%

TDM Measure	Description	Max VMT Reduction	Input	Input Definition	Reduction
Land Use Strategies - Group Max Reduction: 20%, Current Reduction: 0.00%					
Trip Reduction Programs - Group Max Reduction: 20%, Current Reduction: 0.00%					
Parking or Road Pricing / Management - Group Max Reduction: 20%, Current Reduction: 3.92%					
Provide Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure (T-14)	Reminder: Does not reduce VMT	11.90%	20 200 2022	number of chargers installed (e.g. 20) daily vehicles accessing the site (e.g. 200) project opening year	0.80%
Limit Residential Parking Supply (T-15)	This measure will reduce the total parking supply available at a residential project or site. Limiting the amount of parking available creates scarcity and adds additional time and inconvenience to trip making.	13.70%	100 80 50	required parking (e.g. 100) provided parking (e.g. 80) percentage of VMT generated by residents	0.65%
Parking Costs (T-16)	costs, requiring those who wish to purchase parking spaces to do	15.70%			2.48%

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Print Results

Although the 2021 CAPCOA guide does not include a maximum percent, we still recommend using maximums.

ITE 710ITE 210

Select land use tab to toggle between Individual uses (land uses are mitigated individually as not all mitigations are appropriate for all land uses.)

Threshold (15% below Average): 9.9

Click to expand each TDM category

Metric	Project	Mitigation	With Mitigation
HBW VMT/Emp	13.0	5.5	7.5
Daily Trips	468	0	0

Pollutant	Mobile	Mitigation	With Mitigation	Non Mobile	Total
CO2 (mt/year)	21.85	9.22	12.64	0.23	12.86
	2.36	0.99	1.36	1.31	2.68
	3.38	1.42	1.95	0.26	2.21
	0.03	0.01	0.02	0.00	0.02
	0.70	0.29	0.40	0.02	0.42
	2.50	1.05	1.45	0.02	1.46
	357.78	150.89	206.89	151.04	357.93

Land Use Presumptions of Less than Significant Impact

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Results of each TDM based on data entered

Enter project specific inputs for applicable TDM

Click "Print Results" to capture a PDF of inputs and outputs



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