NMIM Training

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Additional Credits

- Dave Brzezinski—roaming assistance
- Gary Dolce (TRPD)—slides dealing with SIP, Conformity, and Retrofit Guidance.

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Course Objectives

- Install NMIM (Done—Congratulations!)
- Run NMIM from the GUI
- View and post-process output
- Edit, save, and modify Run Specifications
- Simulate a Fleet
- Run a Retrofit program



Course Objectives (cont.)

- Along the way, you will learn a little about how NMIM
- Because NMIM is a little complicated and not idiot proof, you need to understand a little of how it works in order to troubleshoot it and look at its output critically.

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Other topics, if time/demand, e.g.:

- Modify/customize the NMIM County Database
- Run NMIM from the command line
- Configure NMIM
- Read NMIM's diagnostic output
- Look at the SharedWork Folder
- Run NMIM standalone and in distributed modes



Logistics

- Hours: 8:00 AM 12:00 PM
- One break
- Please turn off or set pagers and cell phones on vibrate
- If you need to talk on your cell phone, please leave the room.

Logistics (cont.)

- For the hands-on exercises, I'll do it, then we'll walk through it together.
 - Work together you'll learn more.
 - If you finish an exercise, please help others who are having trouble.
 - Ask questions if you get stuck.
 - I'll be here tomorrow and Wednesday morning.

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Expected Preparation

- Software installed
- Basic familiarity with the Windows operating system
 - How to start a command prompt
 - How to use Windows Explorer
- How to use Notepad or another text editor
- Some familiarity with MOBILE6 and NONROAD

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Questions

- Feel free to ask at any time--if you are confused, so are other people
- The answer may be
 - I'll cover that later
 - I don't know
 - Out of the scope

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Miscellaneous

- NMIM has bugs, some known.
 - See Handout "Potential Problems Running NMIM 2005"
 - See "NMIM User's Guide" on Help Menu
- I have run NMIM mostly to generate national monthly inventories for NEI and EPA rulemaking.
- I have also provided telephone support to people producing inventories for States and RPOs so I'm familiar with the kind of difficulties people run into.

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Miscellaneous (cont.)

- Download latest software and database: http://www.epa.gov/otaq/models.htm
- Important: subscribe to the mobile listserver to learn about updates, bugs, fixes in NMIM, MOBILE, and NONROAD: all are important.
- We won't be able to cover everything
- I'll be around for the rest of the week
- You can ask questions by phone or email

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Resources

- Handouts—These Slides
- Handout—Listserver notice "Potential Problems Running NMIM 2005"
- The NMIM User Guide is in the Help menu of the NMIM GUI
- NMIMInstall20060328\NMIMDocumentation
 - 420r05024.pdf How NMIM Works
 - nmim_technical_memorandum_1104.pdf— Instructions for updating the NCD
 - VMT_Fractions.pdf How to map the 8 M5 vehicle classes to the 28 M6 Vehicle Classes

Resources (cont.)

- Readme folder in C:\mysql\data\NCD20060201— Database documentation
 - CountyDB.doc Lists of tables and fields
 - CountyDB pdf, CountyDB1 pdf NCD Design Diagrams
 - CountyDB2.pdf NMIM output database design diagram
 - NCD 20060201Documentation.doc Information about this version of the NCD
 - changelog.wpd a running record of how the NCD has changed over time
- MOBILE listserver
- Email mobile@epa.gov
- C:\mysql\Docs—excellent documentation; includes a tutorial.
- NMIMInstall20060328\MySQLTools
 - "MySQL from an ACCESS mdb.doc"



State of the software

- The most reliable functions are those we have used to produce the inventories we have generated for NEI, rulemaking.
- Post-Processing/Aggregate and Export menu
 - NIF3 production worked at state level for 2002 NEI
 - Questionable for very large databases—better off writing MySQL scripts
- Not idiot-proof—it helps to understand how it works
- See handout "Potential Problems Running NMIM 2005"

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What is NMIM?

- The National Mobile Inventory Model
 - a consolidated emissions modeling system for MOBILE6.2 and NONROAD2005
- Main use case:
 - national county-level inventories for the National Emission Inventory (NEI) and for rulemaking
- Combines a Java[™] framework with MOBILE, NONROAD, and a national county database.
- Capable of stand-alone or distributed processing.

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What NMIM is not

- a complete GUI front-end for MOBILE and NONROAD.
- a replacement for MOBILE or NONROAD.
- a substitute for the complete reworking of MOBILE and NONROAD that is taking place in MOVES.

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What does NMIM do?

- Simplifies the process of creating national county-level inventories
 - Creates input files, runs MOBILE6.2 and NONROAD, and processes output to create inventories
- Includes capability to estimate emissions from user-specified fleets
- Includes capability to estimate reductions from diesel retrofit projects based on user inputs
 - Can be used for general inventory development or just to calculate reductions from retrofit projects

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NMIM in SIPs and conformity analyses

- NMIM incorporates MOBILE6.2 and NONROAD2005, EPA's current approved models for SIP and conformity
- NMIM can be used to create inventories for SIPs and conformity analyses
- NMIM is <u>not</u> considered a new motor vehicle emissions factor model or nonroad equipment emissions model
- A new conformity grace period was <u>not</u> started for NMIM Use of NMIM for inventory creation is optional

States can continue to use MOBILE6.2 and NONROAD2005 without using NMIM to create input files and process results

Limitations of NMIM for SIPs and conformity analyses

- Some states may already be using more sophisticated inventory processing methods
 - Continue to use those methods rather than NMIM
- Need to verify that the most recent and best available local information is incorporated in NMIM database
 - Must modify the database to incorporate newer or better local data
- Most recent VMT in NMIM is 2002
 - Must include estimates or projections of VMT for any later years that are included in your SIP or conformity analysis

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NMIM County Database (NCD)

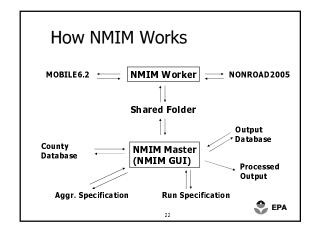
- Single consistent data source
- Hourly temperatures, relative humidity (real and 30-year averages)
- Fuel properties, altitude, barometric pressure, stage 2, VMT, VMT monthly allocation, etc.
- References to MOBILE and NONROAD external files
- ExternalFiles folder
- Updated with state inputs

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NCD Warnings

- Don't run an onroad inventory for years after 2002 unless you supply VMT.
 - 2050=2002 VMT, and all years in between.
- See NCD20060201Documentation.doc in C:\mysql\data\NCD20060201\Readme
- For SIP and Conformity analyses, do not rely on the NCD, but develop your own data.

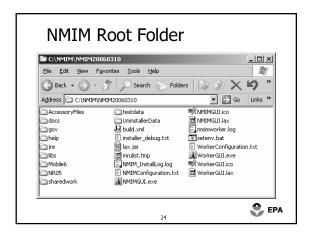
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There are Three NMIM Configuration Files

- NMIMConfiguration.txt
 - Default NCD
 - Path to SharedWork folder
- WorkerConfiguration.txt
 - Paths to MOBILE and NONROAD
 - Path to SharedWork folder
- Setenv.bat
 - Paths to Java & its libraries

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Exercise 1: Start Master and Worker Using Icons

- Start the Master and Worker using the desktop icons.
 - Notice the console window associated with each.

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Exercise 2: Create, Save, and Reload a RunSpec

- Start Master
- Description Enter a brief description (optional)
- This description will appear only in the RunSpec.
 Do not use the five XML reserved characters: `" < > &
- Geography experiment with different options, but select Wake County, North Carolina
- Time experiment with this screen, then select 2002, click Add, check July
- Vehicles/Equipment
 - Experiment, then select:
 - Onroad select LDGV
 - Offroad select Diesel Construction



Exercise 2: RunSpec (cont.)

- Pollutants Experiment, then select NOx, HC as VOC
- Advanced Important to define your input database
 - County Database Server: leave blank
 - Database: NCD20060201
- Output
- Geographic Representation Select County
 General Output name database "test1"
- Save RunSpec -
 - Suggestion: Make a directory: RunSpecs
- Suggested RunSpec name: test1.nrs
- Close RunSpec (File,Close)
- Reload RunSpec (File, Open)—are your saved choices



Exercise 3: Execute

- Select "Action" from top-level menu
- Click Execute
- Start Worker
- Run is complete when navigation list returns
- Select Action, NMIM Run Error Log—any errors?



Exercise 4: Where is the output?

(Introduction to NMIM's MySQL databases.)

- Open MySQL Query Browser, a handy utility for examining MySQL databases.
- Find your output database: test1
- What are the four tables?
 - How many records are in each table?
 - What are the fields of each table?
- Look at nmimpollutantoutput by double clicking on it. Note cryptic SCCID, PollutantcodeId and EmissionTypeId
- Look at nmimvmtoutput
- How to decode SCCID, etc. using NCD20060310

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Exercise 5: Post Processing, normalized (1 poll./line)

- Select "Post Processing" from top-level menu.
- Click Aggregate and Export
- Choose Database Test1
- Choose Output Format: NMIM native, normalized
- Choose Output: Tab-Delimited ASCII Text File, Path: Test1Native.txt
- View using Excel. Note that cryptic fields have been decoded.



Exercise 6: Post Processing wide (all polls. on each line)

- Try Output Format: Wide Tables
- Choose Output: Tab-Delimited ASCII Text File, name output\Test1Wide.txt
- Save AgSpec: suggested name: test1Wide.nas
- View using Excel
- Overwrites, does not append
- Bug: wide doesn't decode EmissionTypeId. (1 exh, 2 evap, 3 tire, 4 brak, 5 refueling)

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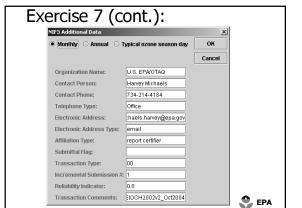
Reload AgSpec.



Exercise 7: Post Processing NIF3

- Try Output Format: NIF3
- Click "Get Additional Data" --Fill in
- (See sample on next slide)

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Exercise 7: NIF3 (cont.)

- Fill in NIF3 directory as NIF3test1
- Save as test1NIF3.nas
- Click OK
- Look at NIF3 output using Notepad (or other text editor)
 - Note 3 onroad, 4 NR, 4 refueling files (only OR)

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Overwrites, does not append

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Help Menu

- "About" will tell you your version of the software.
- NMIM User's Guide
 - You can print individual sections.
 - No, we don't have a stand-alone document.

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Modifying the NCD

- MySQL
- Graphic tools for MySQL
 - MySQL Query Browser (QB)
 - MySQL Control Center (CC)
- Structure and organization of the NCD
- Adding VMT
- Changing VMT

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MySQL

- The NMIM County Database is in MySQL
- NMIM Output is in MySQL
- Documentation on your hard drive: c:\MySQL\Docs
- Web URL: www.mysql.com
- Worth understanding at least a little about it
- Put C:\mysql\bin in your path



MySQL Query Browser

- A handy utility for examining MySQL Databases and tables
- Can modify individual entries in tables.
- MySQL scripts superior because
 - Can quickly modify many entries
 - Provide a record of what you did
- See installation ReadMe.doc for installation and startup.
- Supported by MySQL

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NMIM County Database (NCD)

- Tables are generally named in a way that suggests their primary key.
- Cryptic variables are decoded.
- Let's look.

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Exercise 12. Experiment looking at the NCD using Control Center or Query Browser

- Click the database NCD20060201
- Click tables
- Drag tables into panel to the left

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Structure of MySQL Databases

- C:\MySQL\data
- Each table consists of three files
 - .MYD the data
 - .MYI the index
 - .frm the format
- So to copy a table you must copy three files.



Exercise 13: Add 2005 VMT to the BaseYearVMT table

- a. Make a copy of the database.
- b. Find out what years have VMT.
- c. Create a text file with 2005 VMT.
- d. Write a MySQL script to import the text file into the BaseYearVMT table.
- e. Run the MySQL script.

Ex. 13a: Make a copy of the

- Copy NCD20060201 using Windows Explorer
 - Look in C:\mysql\data
- Rename the copy NCD20060201a
- Optional: Verify the copy exists using MySQLCC
 - Right click on Databases, Refresh
 - Verify that copy matches original
 - Table names, variables, number of records
- Optional: Verify using the command window
 - type MysqL
 - type show databases;
 - Type use ncd20060201;
 - Type show tables;



Ex. 13b: What years have VMT?

- Use MySQLCC to look at variables in BaseYearVMT
- Open command window
 - Type MysQL
 - Type use ncd20060201a;
 - Optional: Type describe baseyearvmt;
 - Type select distinct baseyear from baseyearvmt;

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Ex. 13c: Create a BYVMT text file to import

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- Create a folder: C:\NMIM\ChangeNCD
- Create an Excel spreadsheet (call it NewBYV.xls) in
- Put in the correct headings
- Fill in the values for vtype=1
- To get values for RoadType, mysql> select roadtype from hpmsroadtype;
- Enter \N (for null) for DataSourceId
- Save as tab-delimited text
- You could have created this text file with FoxPro, Access, Oracle, SAS, etc., etc.



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Ex. 13d: Write a MySQL script to import the text file into the BaseYearVMT table

- In the ChangeNCD directory, create a new text file, and name it LoadBYV.sql
- This script will
 - add records if the primary key does not
 - change records if the primary key does exist.
- It will work for every single table in the

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Ex. 13d: Write the script (cont.)

- In the script below, notice that
 - We use a complete path for the infile
 - Forward slashes separate directories
 - The order of variables must exactly match the order in the text file. The heading line in the text file is ignored.
 - "#" indicates a comment

MySQL Script to alter BaseYearVMT table use ncd20060201a; infile 'c:/NMIM/NMIM20050311/changencd/NewBYV.txt' replace into table BaseYearVMT ignore 1 lines (BaseYear, VClass, RoadType, FIPSCountyId, FIPSStateId, DataSourceId, VMT)

MySQL -vvv < loadbyvmt.sql ■ The –vvv means verbose

Ex. 13e: Run the script to

import the text file into the

BaseYearVMT table

Open a command window

■ Note that you can now run any MySQL script!

cd c:\nmim\nmim20050311\changencd

Ex. 14: Query the database

- We already did this in exercise 11b
- Verify that our data got added:
 - MySQL>select * from baseyearvmt where baseyear=2005;

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Ex. 15: Export SCC table to a text file we can read into Excel, SAS, Oracle, etc.

■ Write a script, c:\nmim\nmim20050311\changeNCE\ExportSCC.sql

use NCD20050318;
select sccid, scc, segment, sccdesc
into outfile
'c:/nmim/nmim20050311/changeNCD/scc.txt'
from scc;

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Ex 15 (cont.): Run the script

- From command prompt C:\nmim\nmim20050311\changeNCD>
- Type

MySQL < exportscc.sql

■ Open scc.txt using Excel

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