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How to Write a Test Plan



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Introduction

This guide is intended to serve as a supplement to the online training module T201: How to Write a Test Plan.

Background

The FHWA has developed a series of training modules to guide users on the use of ITS standards.

The T201 module is intended for engineers, operational staff, maintenance staff, and test personnel. It is intended to follow T101: Introduction to ITS Standards and to precede T202: An Overview of Test Design Specifications, Test Cases, and Test Procedures.

Purpose of this supplement

The modules are designed to be brief courses; the supplement is designed to provide additional information to the participant about various topics covered by the course.

Acronym

PRL – Protocol Requirements List – this is a table that identifies each user need and requirement defined within a standard along with an indication of whether each item is mandatory or optional for conformance. This is included in all standards that include Systems Engineering Process (SEP) content.

Terminology/glossary

Testing phases

Design approval testing – The approval of a design based on review and inspection of drawings and specifications.

Prototype testing – Testing on a mock-up of a product. A prototype is an early version of a product in order to demonstrate the concept, but numerous features of the final product may not be present in a prototype.

Factory acceptance testing – Testing performed at the manufacturer's factory prior to shipping to the site. Testing at this point can be useful, especially when test failures are likely to result in additional work on the product that is most efficiently performed when at the factory.

Incoming device testing – Testing on a product when it is received by the agency, typically in a maintenance yard or other facility prior to being deployed in its final location.

Site acceptance testing – Testing on a product once it is installed in its final location.

Burn-in and observation testing – This is testing once the product has been installed, integrated with the system and made operational in a live environment.

Roles

Engineering staff – Engineering staff include those professionals who are responsible for designing and building the system in addition to ensuring that the project stays on schedule.

Operational staff – Operational staff includes those that are responsible for the day-to-day operation of the system.

Maintenance staff – Maintenance staff include those that are responsible for keeping the system operational by performing preventive and reactionary maintenance on the equipment.

Testing staff – Testing staff include those who are responsible for ensuring that the delivered system meets specifications.

Test documents (per IEEE 829)

Test case specification – A document specifying inputs, predicted results, and a set of execution conditions for a test item.

Test design specification – A document specifying the details of a test approach for a software feature or combination of software features and identifying the associated tests.

Test plan – A document describing the scope, approach resources, and schedule of intended testing activities. It identifies test items, the features to be tested, the testing tasks, who will do each task, and any risks requiring additional contingency planning.

Test procedure specification – A document specifying a sequence of actions for the execution of a test.

Types of testing

Validation – A quality assurance process to ensure that a product fulfills its intended purpose.

Verification – A quality control process that determines if a product fulfills its stated requirements.

References

Standards Website: <http://www.standards.its.dot.gov/> - includes a variety of information about ITS standards and the systems engineering process.

NTCIP Website: <http://www.ntcip.org> - includes links to NTCIP standards, guides and other relevant information to the NTCIP standards.

IEEE Website: <http://www.ieee.org> – includes information about IEEE standards.

IEEE 829 – IEEE Standard for Software Test Documentation

NTCIP 9001 – NTCIP Guide

NTCIP 9012 – NTCIP Testing Guide for Users

FHWA Systems Engineering Website: <http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/cadiv/segb/>

FHWA Systems Engineering Guide:
<http://ops.fhwa.dot.gov/publications/seitsguide/seguide.pdf>

Systems Engineering for ITS Workshop:
<http://www.iteris.com/itsarch/html/training/training.htm>

Systems engineering diagram

The “V” diagram used by the ITS industry, as shown in Figure 1, reflects a customization of the more general systems engineering process (SEP), but follows widely accepted guidelines.

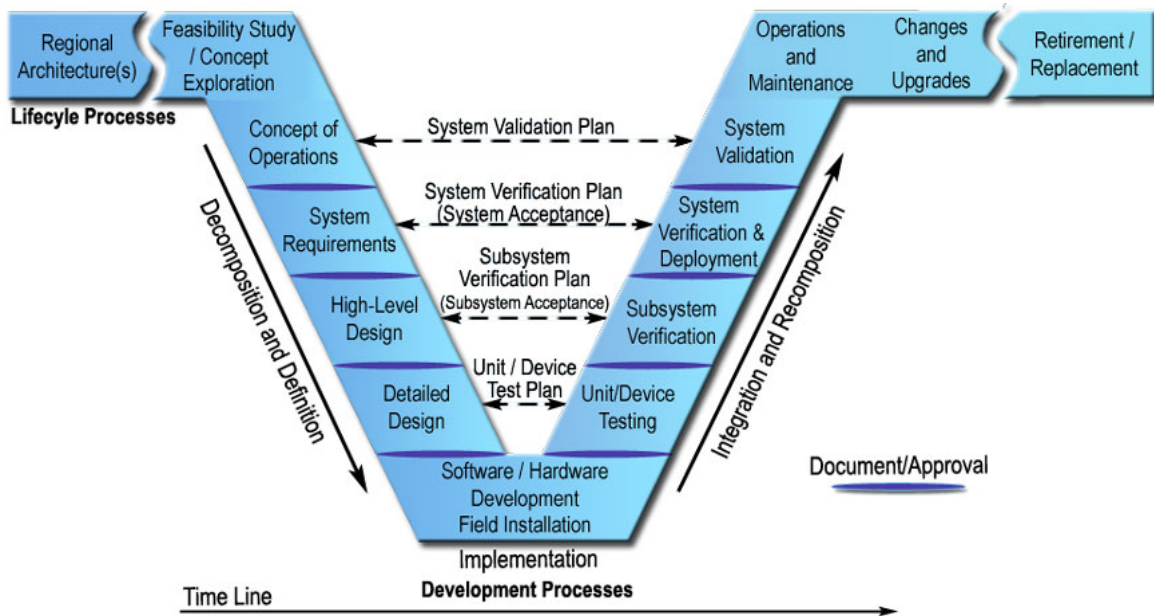


Figure 1: Systems Engineering “V” Diagram for ITS

The “V” starts with identifying the portion of the regional ITS architecture that is related to the project. Other artifacts of the planning and programming processes that are relevant to the project are collected and used as a starting point for project development. This is the first step in defining an ITS project.

Next, the agency develops a business case for the project. Technical, economic, and political feasibility is assessed; benefits and costs are estimated; and key risks are identified. Alternative concepts for meeting the project’s purpose and need are explored, and the superior concept is selected and justified using trade study techniques. Once funding is available the project starts with the next step.

The “V” then begins to dip downwards to indicate an increased level of detail. The project stakeholders reach a shared understanding of the system to be developed and how it will be operated and maintained. The Concept of Operations is documented to provide a foundation for more detailed analyses that will follow. It will be the basis for the system requirements that are developed in the next step.

At the system requirements stage the stakeholder needs identified in the Concept of Operations are reviewed, analyzed, and transformed into verifiable requirements that define what the system will do but not how the system will do it. Working closely with stakeholders, the requirements are elicited, analyzed, validated, documented, and version controlled.

The system design is created based on the system requirements including a high-level design that defines the overall framework for the system. Subsystems of the system are identified and decomposed further into components. Requirements are allocated to the system components, and interfaces are specified in detail. Detailed specifications are

created for the hardware and software components to be developed, and final product selections are made for off-the-shelf components.

Hardware and software solutions are created for the components identified in the system design. Part of the solution may require custom hardware and/or software development, and part may be implemented with off-the-shelf items, modified as needed to meet the design specifications. The components are tested and delivered ready for integration and installation.

Once the software and hardware components have been developed, the “V” changes direction to an upward slope. The various components are individually verified and then integrated to produce higher-level assemblies or subsystems. These assemblies are also individually verified before being integrated with others to produce yet larger assemblies, until the complete system has been integrated and verified.

Eventually, the system is installed in the operational environment and transferred from the project development team to the organization that will own and operate it. The transfer also includes support equipment, documentation, operator training, and other enabling products that support ongoing system operation and maintenance. Acceptance tests are conducted to confirm that the system performs as intended in the operational environment. A transition period and warranty ease the transition to full system operation.

After the ITS system has passed system verification and is installed in the operational environment, the system owner/operator, whether the state DOT, a regional agency, or another entity, runs its own set of tests to make sure (i.e., validate) that the deployed system meets the original needs identified in the Concept of Operations.

Once the customer has approved the ITS system, the system operates in its typical steady state. System maintenance is routinely performed and performance measures are monitored. As issues, suggested improvements, and technology upgrades are identified, they are documented, considered for addition to the system baseline, and incorporated as funds become available. An abbreviated version of the systems engineering process is used to evaluate and implement each change. This occurs for each change or upgrade until the ITS system reaches the end of its operational life.

Finally, operation of the ITS system is periodically assessed to determine its efficiency. If the cost to operate and maintain the system exceeds the cost to develop a new ITS system, the existing system becomes a candidate for replacement. A system retirement plan will be generated to retire the existing system gracefully.

To find more information on the systems engineering process, see the links provided in the References section of this supplement.

Test Plan from Sample Project

Test plan identifier

TP-C-DMS2-1

Introduction

Objectives

This test plan has been developed to define the process that the Agency will use in its incoming device testing to ensure that the DMS provided by the manufacturer fulfills all project requirements related to NTCIP 1203.

Project background

This project is a joint venture between Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) and Virginia Tech Transportation Institute (VTTI) to act as a test case for the NTCIP Dynamic Message Sign (DMS) 1203 Version 2.25 standard. The goal of the project is for VDOT and VTTI to use the more user friendly Specification Guide to write a specification and procure a message sign and controller as well as a separate third part central software package. Once procured, VDOT and VTTI will develop test procedures and then perform the tests on each sign as well as test how the sign(s) and software interoperate. The goal of this project is to investigate the process more than the final product.

The name of the project is: Phase A and B of Rapid Deployment and Testing of the Updated DMS Standards.

This test plan covers a full test of the NTCIP 1203-related requirements for the DMS. This includes requirements related to:

- Data formats (e.g., the encoding of data over the communications channel),
- Data exchange procedures (e.g., the proper sequencing of data), and
- Related end-user functionality (e.g., ensuring that the sign blanks when commanded to do so via the NTCIP interface).

Other test plans may supplement this test plan by performing a sub-set of tests (e.g., to spot-check performance of the same sign using a different communications profile or to spot-check subsequent signs delivered under the same contract).

References

Test Procedures for the Virginia Early Deployment of NTCIP DMSv2 (Version 01.03), FHWA, February 21, 2006.

See Appendix A for additional project-specific references

Definitions

The following terms shall apply within the scope of this test plan.

Agency Project Manager – Person designated by the organization purchasing the equipment to be responsible for overseeing the successful deployment of the equipment.

Completed PRL – A PRL that has been completely filled out for a given project.

Component - One of the parts that make up a system. A component may be hardware or software and may be subdivided into other components. *(from IEEE 610.12)* Within this document, the term shall mean either a DMS or a management station.

DMS – A Dynamic Message Sign - The sign display, controller, cabinet, and other associated field equipment.

DMS Test Procedures – Test Procedures for the Virginia Early Deployment of NTCIP DMSv2.

Developer – The organization providing the equipment to be tested. In the case of integration testing, there may be multiple developers.

Final Completed PRL – A Completed PRL that reflects all revisions that have been accepted to date for the given project.

PRL – Protocol Requirements List - A matrix linking all standardized user needs to standardized functional requirements, an indication of the conformance requirements for each user need and functional requirement, and an area to select the requirement and/or add project-specific limitations to the requirement.

System – The combination of the DMS and the management station with associated communications infrastructure.

Test Analyst – The person who performs the testing according to the test procedures and interprets and records the results.

Test Manager – The designated point-of-contact for the entire test team. Frequently, this is the same person as the Test Analyst.

Items to be tested

This test plan will test the NTCIP-related operation of a DMS. The version and revision of the equipment to be tested shall be recorded on the Test Item Transmittal.

The following documents will provide the basis for defining correct operation with the document of highest precedent listed last:

- Virginia Tech RFP # 655616
- Addendum #1 to RFP #655616
- Virginia Tech Purchase Order PO0601509

NOTE: The above documents reference specific versions of NTCIP standards that are the originating source of many requirements to be tested. Correct operations are defined by the specific versions of the standards as referenced in the above documentation (unless explicitly overridden by other documents); the specific version numbers are not listed in this test plan in order to avoid the introduction of any inconsistency.

Features to be tested

All requirements selected in the NTCIP 1203 Final Completed Protocol Requirements List (PRL) shall be tested.

Features not to be tested

Features that are not defined in NTCIP 1203 are not directly covered by this test plan. These features typically include, but are not limited to:

- Lower layer communication protocol details;
- Environmental operating requirements;
- Construction and material requirements;
- Power anomaly requirements;
- Performance requirements; and
- Security requirements.

While some aspects of these features may be tested (e.g., all NTCIP 1203 communications rely upon the basic operation of lower layer protocols, tests may include verification of those performance requirements defined in NTCIP 1203, etc.), this test plan does not focus on these types of requirements because they are not the focus of NTCIP 1203.

Approach

The Test Analyst will perform each selected test case from the DMS Test Procedures. A test case shall be deemed to be selected if it traces from a requirement selected in the Final Completed PRL and the requirement is referenced under the "Features to be tested" section of this test plan. The tracing of requirements to test cases is provided in Section 2.2 of the DMS Test Procedures.

Item pass/fail criteria

In order to pass the test, the DMS shall pass all test procedures included in this test plan without demonstrating any characteristic that fails to meet project requirements.

Suspension criteria, and resumption requirements

The test may be suspended at the convenience of test personnel between the performances of any two test procedures. The test shall always resume at the start of a selected test procedure.

If any modifications are made to the DMS, a complete regression test may be required in order to pass this test plan.

Test deliverables

The Test Manager will ensure that the following documents are developed and entered into the configuration management system upon their completion:

- The NTCIP 1203 Test Plan (this document, including Appendix A)
- The specific versions of all documents referenced by these documents, including, but not limited to:
 - *DMS Test Procedures*
 - *NTCIP 1203*
 - *NTCIP 1102*

- NTCIP 1103
- NTCIP 1201
- The Test Log, an example format is provided in Annex C
- The Test Summary, an example format is provided in Annex D
- Any and all Test Incident Reports, an example format is provided in Annex E

All test documentation will be made available to both the Agency and the Developer.

All test documentation will be made available in a widely recognized computer file format such as Microsoft Word or Adobe Acrobat. In addition, the files from the test software shall be provided in their native file format as defined by the test software.

Testing tasks

Table A-1: Testing Tasks

Task Number	Task Name	Predecessor	Responsibility	NTCIP Knowledge Level (low =1 to high = 5)
1	Finalize Test Plan	Finalize Completed PRL	Test Manager	2
2	Complete the Test Item Transmittal Form and transmit the component to the Test Group	Implement DMS Standard	Developer	1
3	Perform Tests and produce Test Log and Test Incident Reports	2	Test Analyst	5
4	Resolve Test Incident Reports	3	Developer, Test Manager	2
5	Repeat Steps 2-4 until all test procedures have succeeded	4	N/A	N/A
6	Prepare the Test Summary report	5	Test Analyst	2
7	Transmit all test documentation to the Agency Project Manager	6	Test Manager	1

Environmental needs

All Test Cases covered by this test plan require the device under test to be connected to a test application as depicted in Figure A-1. A data analyzer may also be used to capture the data exchanged between the two components. The test environment should be designed to minimize any complicating factors that may result in anomalies unrelated to

the specific test case. Failure to isolate such variables in the test environment may result in false results to the test. For example, the device may be conformant with the standard, but communication delays could result in timeouts and be misinterpreted as failures.

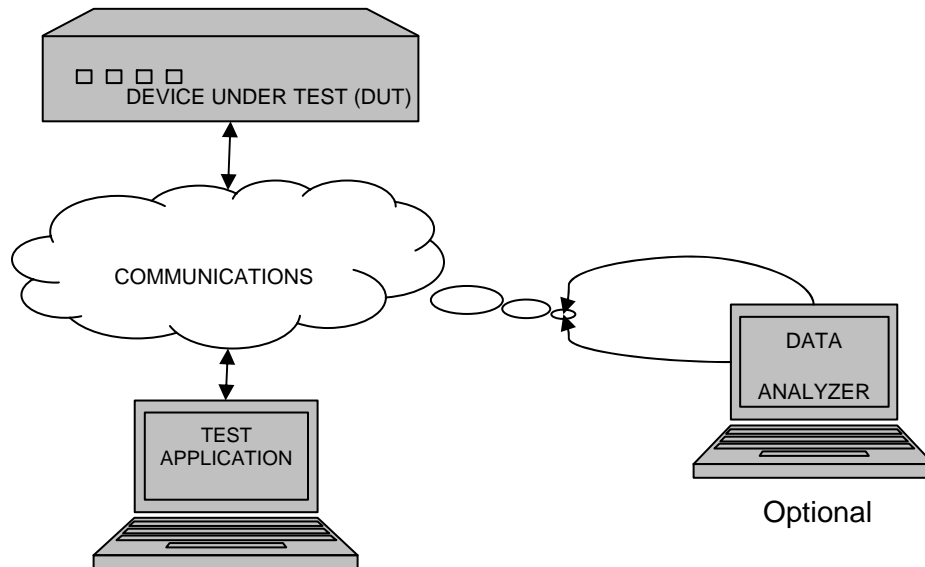


Figure A-1: Field Device Test Environment

The specific test software and data analyzer to be used are identified in the Tools clause of the Approach section of this test plan.

The tests will be performed at the Virginia Tech Transportation Institute. This location will provide the following:

- Access to power outlets for the test equipment; and
- Workspace for the Test Analyst that is protected from the elements.

Tools

The following software will be used for the testing:

- *NTESTER Version 2.0*
- *FTS for NTCIP*

Communications environment

All tests shall be performed using the following communications environment, unless otherwise defined in the specific test procedure.

Connection Type: *RJ-45 Ethernet*

Subnet Profile: *NTCIP 2104 – Ethernet*

Transport Profile: *NTCIP 2202 – Internet*

Read Community Name: *public*

Write Community Name: *administrator*

Timeout Value: *200 ms*

Responsibilities

The following roles are defined in this test plan:

- Agency Project Manager – The Agency Project Manager shall be responsible for:
 - Approving the Test Plan;
 - Working with the Test Manager to address any concerns (e.g., balancing the desire for a perfect implementation against the political pressure to finish the project);
 - Providing the test environment;
 - Witnessing the performance of the tests;
 - Receiving and checking the test results; and
 - Final acceptance of the component.
- Test Analyst – The Test Analyst shall be responsible for:
 - Designing any custom test procedures;
 - Preparing the test environment; and
 - Executing the tests according to the test plan.
- Test Manager – The Test Manager shall be responsible for:
 - Managing the overall testing process and the test personnel;
 - Finalizing the test plan;
 - Providing the test tools; and
 - Checking the test results.
- Developer – The Developer shall be responsible for:
 - Providing the test items with their associated transmittal reports;
 - Ensuring that the test personnel are able to properly connect the equipment;
 - (Optionally) witnessing the performance of the tests;
 - Checking the test results; and
 - Resolving any areas of non-conformance identified.

Staffing and training needs

The following staffing is expected for this test plan:

- Agency Project Manager – 1
- Test Manager – 1
- Developer – 1

If the Agency Project Manager is not familiar with NTCIP Testing, s/he should become familiar with NTCIP 9012 and FHWA guidance on the procurement of ITS systems. The Test Manager and Test Analyst must be familiar with how to use the test software. Many software systems come with extensive on-line help, but the test personnel may also need detailed knowledge of the NTCIP standards to fully perform their duties.

Schedule

Testing will commence within 4 weeks of the receipt of the hardware from the manufacturer. The testing is expected to take one week of on-site time followed by one additional week of work to prepare the report.

Our initial plan is to allow for three rounds of testing with each round of testing separated by six weeks to allow for the developer to correct the discovered defects.

Risks and contingencies

If the sign repeatedly fails the testing procedures it may be returned to the manufacturer for repair. The decision to return the sign is at the discretion of the project committee. The repaired sign will be retested prior to acceptance.

The Developer of the DMS shall correct any problems identified with the DMS. Upon completion of the modifications, the Developer shall re-submit the component for another complete test consisting of all test cases.

Approvals

Test Manager

Date

Agency Project Manager

Date

Developer

Date

Portion of a PRL from a Sample Project

User Need ID	User Need	FR ID	Functional Requirement	Conformance	Support	Additional Specifications
2.1.2	DMS Characteristics			M	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
2.1.2.1	DMS Type			M	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
2.1.2.1.1 (BOS)	BOS			O.1 (1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No	
2.1.2.1.2 (CMS)	CMS			O.1 (1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No	
2.1.2.1.3 (VMS)	VMS			O.1 (1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No	
2.1.2.2	DMS Technology			M	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
2.1.2.2.1 (Fiber)	Fiber			O	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No	
2.1.2.2.2 (LED)	LED			O	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No	
2.1.2.2.3 (Flip/Shutter)	Flip/Shutter			O	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No	
2.1.2.2.4 (Lamp)	Lamp			O	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No	
2.1.2.2.5 (Drum)	Drum			O	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No	
2.1.2.3	Physical Configuration of Sign			M	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	The DMS shall be 2100 millimeters wide and 7950 millimeters high, inclusive of borders. The Sign's Border shall be at least 50 millimeters wide and 50 millimeters high. The DMS shall support the following Beacon configuration: NONE
2.1.2.3.1	Non-Matrix			O.2 (1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No	
2.1.2.3.2 (Matrix)	Matrix			O.2 (1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No	The pitch between pixels shall be at least 75 millimeters, measured

User Need ID	User Need	FR ID	Functional Requirement	Conformance	Support	Additional Specifications
						between the center of each pixel.
2.1.2.3.2.1	Full Matrix			O.3 (1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No	The sign shall be 105 pixels wide and 27 pixels high.
2.1.2.3.2.2	Line Matrix			O.3 (1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No	
2.1.2.3.2.3	Character Matrix			O.3 (1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No	
2.3.2	Operational Environment			M	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
2.3.2.1	Live Data Exchange			M	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
		3.3.1.1	Retrieve Data	M	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
		3.3.1.2	Deliver Data	M	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
		3.3.1.3	Explore Data	M	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
		3.3.4.1	Determine Current Access Settings	M	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
		3.3.4.2	Configure Access	M	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	The DMS shall support at least 128 users in addition to the administrator.
2.3.2.2	Logged Data Exchange			O	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No	
		D.3.1.2.1 ¹	Set Time	O	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No	
		D.3.1.2.2	Set Time Zone	O	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No	
		D.3.1.2.3	Set Daylight Savings Mode	O	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No	
		D.3.1.2.4	Verify Current Time	O	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No	

1.1 ¹ References to clauses in Annex D refer to items that may eventually be moved to NTCIP 1201.

User Need ID	User Need	FR ID	Functional Requirement	Conformance	Support	Additional Specifications
		D.3.2.2	Supplemental Requirements for Event Monitoring	O	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No	
		3.3.2.1	Determine Current Configuration of Logging Service	M	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
		3.3.2.2	Configure Logging Service	M	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
		3.3.2.3	Retrieve Logged Data	M	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
		3.3.2.4	Clear Log	M	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
		3.3.2.5	Determine Capabilities of Event Logging Service	M	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
		3.3.2.6	Determine Total Number of Events	M	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
2.3.2.3	Exceptional Condition Reporting			O	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No	
		D.3.1.2.1	Set Time	O	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No	
		D.3.1.2.2	Set Time Zone	O	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No	
		D.3.1.2.3	Set Daylight Savings Mode	O	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No	
		D.3.1.2.4	Verify Current Time	O	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No	
		D.3.2.2	Supplemental Requirements for Event	O	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No	

User Need ID	User Need	FR ID	Functional Requirement	Conformance	Support	Additional Specifications
			Monitoring			
		3.3.3.1	Determine Current Configuration of Exception Reporting Service	M	Yes	
		3.3.3.2	Configuration of Events	M	Yes	
		3.3.3.3	Automatic Reporting of Events (SNMP Traps)	M	Yes	
		3.3.3.4	Manage Exception Reporting	M	Yes	
		3.3.3.5	Determine Capabilities of Exception Reporting Service	M	Yes	
2.4	Features			M	Yes	
2.4.1	Manage the DMS Configuration			M	Yes	
2.4.1.1	Determine the DMS Identity			M	Yes	
		3.4.1.1.1	Determine Sign Type and Technology	M	Yes	
		D.3.1.1	Determine Device Component Information	O	Yes / No	
		D.3.1.4	Determine Supported Standards	O	Yes / No	
2.4.1.2	Determine Sign Display Capabilities			O	Yes / No	
		3.4.1.2.1.1	Determine	M	Yes	

User Need ID	User Need	FR ID	Functional Requirement	Conformance	Support	Additional Specifications
			the Size of the Sign Face			
		3.4.1.2.1.2	Determine the Size of the Sign Border	M	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
		3.4.1.2.1.3	Determine Beacon Type	M	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
		3.4.1.2.1.4	Determine Sign Access and Legend	M	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
		3.4.1.2.2.1	Determine Sign Face Size in Pixels	Matrix:M	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
		3.4.1.2.2.2	Determine Character Size in Pixels	Matrix:M	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
		3.4.1.2.2.3	Determine Pixel Spacing	Matrix:M	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
		3.4.1.2.3.1	Determine Maximum Number of Pages	VMS:M	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
		3.4.1.2.3.2	Determine Maximum Message Length	VMS:M	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
		3.4.1.2.3.3	Determine Supported Color Schemes	VMS:M	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
		3.4.1.2.3.4	Determine Message Display Capabilities	VMS:M	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
		3.4.1.3.1	Determine Number of Fonts	Fonts:M	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
		3.4.1.3.3	Determine Supported Characters	Fonts:M	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
		3.4.1.3.4	Retrieve a Font Definition	Fonts:M	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	

User Need ID	User Need	FR ID	Functional Requirement	Conformance	Support	Additional Specifications
		3.4.1.3.7	Validate a Font	Fonts:M	Yes	
		3.4.1.4.1	Determine Maximum Number of Graphics	Graphics:M	Yes / NA	
		3.4.1.4.4	Retrieve a Graphic Definition	Graphics:M	Yes / NA	
		3.4.1.4.7	Validate a Graphic	Graphics:M	Yes / NA	
		3.4.1.4.8	Determine Graphic Spacing	Graphics:M	Yes / NA	
		3.4.2.3.9.1	Determine Default Message Display Parameters	VMS:M	Yes	
		3.4.3.2.1	Monitor Information about the Currently Displayed Message	O	Yes / No	
		3.4.3.2.2	Monitor Dynamic Field Values	Fields:M	Yes	
		3.5.6	Supplemental Requirements for Message Definition	VMS:M	Yes	
2.4.1.3 (Fonts)	Manage Fonts			VMS:O	Yes / No / NA	
		3.4.1.3.1	Determine Number of Fonts	M	Yes	
		3.4.1.3.2	Determine Maximum Character Size	M	Yes	
		3.4.1.3.3	Determine Supported Characters	M	Yes	

User Need ID	User Need	FR ID	Functional Requirement	Conformance	Support	Additional Specifications
		3.4.1.3.4	Retrieve a Font Definition	M	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
		3.4.1.3.5	Configure a Font	M	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
		3.4.1.3.6	Delete a Font	M	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
		3.4.1.3.7	Validate a Font	M	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
		3.5.1	Supplemental Requirements for Fonts	M	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
2.4.1.4 (Graphics)	Manage Graphics			VMS:O	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No / NA	VDOT desires to implement the Graphics option on this project. However, the decision to implement Graphics will be based on pricing submitted by bidders to include this functionality.
		3.4.1.4.1	Determine Maximum Number of Graphics	M	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
		3.4.1.4.2	Determine Maximum Graphic Size	M	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	

Portion of the Requirements to Test Case Traceability Matrix from a Sample Project

Requirement ID	Requirement Title	Test Case ID	Test Case Title
3.4	Data Exchange Requirements		
3.4.1	Manage the DMS Configuration		
3.4.1.1	Identify DMS		
3.4.1.1.1	Determine Sign Type and Technology		
		TC1.1	Determine Sign Type and Technology
3.4.1.2	Determine Message Display Capabilities		
3.4.1.2.1	Determine Basic Message Display Capabilities		
3.4.1.2.1.1	Determine the Size of the Sign Face		
		TC1.2	Determine the Size of the Sign Face
3.4.1.2.1.2	Determine the Size of the Sign Border		
		TC1.3	Determine Size of the Sign Border
3.4.1.2.1.3	Determine Beacon Type		
		TC1.4	Determine Beacon Type
3.4.1.2.1.4	Determine Sign Access and Legend		
		TC1.5	Determine Sign Access and Legend
3.4.1.2.2	Determine Matrix Capabilities		
3.4.1.2.2.1	Determine Sign Face Size in Pixels		
		TC1.6	Determine Sign Face Size in Pixels
3.4.1.2.2.2	Determine Character Size in Pixels		
		TC1.7	Determine Character Size in Pixels
3.4.1.2.2.3	Determine Pixel Spacing		
		TC1.8	Determine Pixel Spacing
3.4.1.2.3	Determine VMS Message Display Capabilities		
3.4.1.2.3.1	Determine Maximum Number of		

	Pages		
		TC1.9	Determine Maximum Number of Pages
3.4.1.2.3.2	Determine Maximum Message Length		
		TC1.10	Determine Maximum Message Length
3.4.1.2.3.3	Determine Supported Color Schemes		
		TC1.11	Determine Supported Color Schemes
3.4.1.2.3.4	Determine Message Display Capabilities		
		TC1.12	Determine Message Display Capabilities
3.4.1.2.4	Delete Messages of Message Type		
		TC7.11	Verify Message Deletion by Message Type
3.4.1.3	Manage Fonts		
3.4.1.3.1	Determine Number of Fonts		
		TC2.1	Determine Number of Fonts
3.4.1.3.2	Determine Maximum Character Size		
		TC2.2	Determine Maximum Character Size
3.4.1.3.3	Determine Supported Characters		
		TC2.3	Determine Supported Characters
3.4.1.3.4	Retrieve a Font Definition		
		TC2.4	Retrieve a Font Definition
3.4.1.3.5	Configure a Font		
		TC2.5	Configure a Font
		TC2.6	Attempt to Configure a Font that is In Use
3.4.1.3.6	Delete a Font		
		TC2.7	Delete a Font
		TC2.8	Attempt to Delete a Font that is In Use
3.4.1.3.7	Validate a Font		
		TC2.9	Verify Font CRC Change