

# Basic Active Transportation Network Generation

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This document steps through how to generate new SANDAG\_Bike\_Net and SANDAG\_Bike\_Node shapefiles, which is necessary anytime a change is made to any Transit Access Point (TAP)...either by addition, subtraction, movement of XY coordinates, or unique ID. Any of those changes would require these steps to get the AT network to successfully connect to the TAPs. This does not cover how to change the AT network itself (see T:\ABM\docs\final\Active Transportation Model Final Report for that).

With the development of a standard model directory for the ABM, there should be AT network shapefiles in each model year template. Sometimes, however, a change in either the Master TCOV or your local TCOV will affect the TAPs in your study directory. In which case, do the following:

1. Open create\_final\_AT.mxd in your study directory AT\_files folder.
2. If there are already layers in the mxd, remove them.
3. Open your ArcToolbox, under BDM, click Run TAP CC Create & Network Finalization (if you do not have this toolbox, add it from M:\RES\GIS\ActiveTransportation\ABM\ATNetworkTool\ND FY Workspace).
4. An Input/Output GUI opens up, add the following:
  - Working Geodatabase should be the bike\_editing.gdb from your study directory's AT\_files folder (note that you cannot cross inputs/outputs to any other gdb than the one specified here).
  - Input TAP is the tapcov from your study year's folder.
  - The rest of the inputs (except the signals) are from your study directory's AT\_files/bike\_editing.gdb
  - Working Bike Net is: bike\_net\derived\_working\_bike\_netxxx where xxx is the year/funding scenario of your run. If the exact year does not exist, use the derived network from the next earlier year (ie. Use 2020rc for a 2025rc or 2030rc forecast)
  - Working Bike Node: bike\_net\derived\_working\_bike\_nodexxx
  - Input Bike Zone Centroids Feature Class: centroid\Centroidxxxx
  - Input Bike Zone Centroid Connector Feature Class: centroid\centroid\_connectors\_xxxx
  - Input Signal File: use the shapefiles in AT\_files\signal\signal\_xxxx.shp

Now come the outputs, which you will put all except for the shapefiles in the same bike\_editing.gdb:

- Output TAP Connectors: tap\tap\_connector\_xxxx where xxxx is an indicator of your alternative name...try to use the same naming convention for all your output files in the gdb.
- Output TAP: tap\tap\_xxxx
- Output Final Bike Net Feature Class: bike\_net\bike\_net\_xxxx

For purposes of speed/clarity, I skip the shapefiles until the end and go to:

- Output Final Bike Node Feature Class: bike\_net\bike\_node\_xxxx
- Output Signal Feature Class: signal\signal\_xxxx

Now back to the only outputs that really matter, the AT network shapefiles. They should be put in your run's network folder and called SANDAG\_Bike\_Net.shp and SANDAG\_Bike\_Node.shp (these names must be used...you might need to delete previous versions of these shapefiles).

Once, all inputs/outputs are specified, click OK to run. If all goes well, you will get the outputs in about 15-20 minutes. Occasionally something hiccups and you need to run again...in which case, you can either delete the output files via ArcCatalog or name output files to something slightly different.

The SANDAG\_Bike\_Net/Node shapefiles will be copied over during the create\_scenario process. If you do this process after that, copy the shapefiles directly to your input folder of the ABM model run.

Make sure to change your sandag\_abm.properties file in the conf folder so that skipCopyWalkImpedance = true and skipWalkLogsums = false.

See next page for a screen shot of how the complete input/output GUI should look:

