Subsequent Analysis Tasks

Primary

- 1. Design limited number of pricing schemes to fully analyze
- 2. Develop method for predicting mode share changes (build simple mode split and financial model)
- 3. Incorporate 2-3 U-Pass subsidy schemes
- 4. Add up financial impacts for 3-5 "packages" of services
- 5. Present results in a way to highlight policy tradeoffs and efficiency

Subsequent Analysis Tasks

Secondary

- Discuss disposition of on-street spaces: how to better price to maintain ≈10% availability
- 2. What is role of shuttles in above scenario? e.g., M2 or with the on #1, CT1, and CT2?

1. Pricing Schemes

- (a) In all schemes, keep:
 - -- student resident parking annually (\$657 today)
 - reduced daily parking for retirees (\$110 annually today)
 - -- reduced daily parking for carpools (\$320 annually today)
 - -- reduced daily parking for motorcycles (\$100 annually today)
 - -- a differential between employee and non-employee parkers (\$121 annually today): can non-employees have daily fees?

1. Pricing schemes

(b) For all regular and occasional parkers, switch to daily fee (plus \$30-50 annually) as follows:

Scenario 1 (guaranteed choice)

Outer lots: \$x/day

Inner lots: \$4/day with \$7*/day for guaranteed access and choice (including visitors)

*varies by lot based on demand

Scenario 2 (choice w/o guarantees)

Outer lots: \$x/day

Mid lots: \$4/day

Prime lots: \$7*/day

*could vary by lot

Scenario 3

Use one of the above, with escalating prices per day based on greater frequency of use

2. Develop models to predict mode share

- Use transit price elasticities (-.2 +.4)?
- Focus on geography of home location?
- Use gross estimates only to develop a range of impact scenarios?

3. U-Pass subsidy scenarios

- (a) Assume all students and employees receive free link pass (commuter rail upgrades subsidized at 50%)
- (b) Student and employee fee set at \$10-15/month with opt-out, except all parkers receive pass as well without paying additional fee

Remaining Class Schedule

- Today: Discuss interim report and approach to completing analysis of options (All)
- April 18: Discussion of current MBTA Bus Services (#1, CT1, CT2, 64, 68) and Shuttles (EZ, M2)
 - Attempt to quantify MIT use of these services as % of total (John)
- April 25: Outline of analysis and results (Class)
- May 2: ? (Invite parking and transit committee to discuss preliminary recommendations)
- May 9: Final Report and Draft PP
- May 16: Final Presentation to Wider Community

M2 Shuttle Information

- Service:
 - -- 7 Peak buses are used
 - -- 7-8 minute headway in AM; 10 minutes in PM (comparable to Route #1)
- Total Cost: \$1.6 M/year
 - -- Harvard: ≈85%
 - -- Other LMA: ≈15%
- Total Passengers: 2,700/day (\$2.35/trip)
- Harvard ID card reader or tickets as payment
- Capacity may be an issue during peak periods