

RoadSoft® RoundUp

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Do you have a question?
Call Technical Support at 906-487-2102

"RoadSoft enables us to clearly communicate road conditions to our township officials, which helps them make the most of their maintenance dollars."

Brent Shank, Operations Engineer
Emmet County Road Commission

RoadSoft 6.5 Available NOW!

Version 6.5 includes an update to the Framework basemap from version 5a to version 6a. For existing users of *RoadSoft-GIS* 6.x that have collected their own data (road inventory, surface condition, traffic counts, guardrail, sign, and/or culvert), *RoadSoft-GIS* 6.5 will automatically migrate your data to the new version of the Framework base map.

Updates in version 6.5:

Main Program

- Referencing system and maps based on Framework Version 6, which you will need for the 2007 TAMC data collection

Road Module

- Added the ability to identify different types of road restrictions and a memo field to replace the All Season check box
- Added the ability to assign the same deterioration curve to various surface types
- Redesigned the strategy and optimization interface
- Added the ability to build optimized strategies for multiple surface types
- Strategy graphs change in real time when inputs are modified

Sign Module

- Implemented the new Sign Work Order System

Culvert Module

- Implemented the new Culvert Work Order System

You can view the complete list of updates and the current version within *RoadSoft* by selecting Version History from the Help Menu. If your jurisdiction already uses *RoadSoft*, you can call or send a request to RoadSoft@mtu.edu to request your CD. If your jurisdiction has never used *RoadSoft*, you can request a CD by faxing a request on your jurisdiction's letterhead to 906-487-3409.

PLEASE NOTE: This update is NOT available via the Update Wizard. You must request a CD containing the RoadSoft update with your jurisdiction's Framework basemap. You must also KEEP this CD for your TAMC data collection. (The 6.5 update is the release that was inadvertently labeled as 7.0 in an earlier RoadSoft RoundUp.)

Want to know more? Check out our new Web site at <http://www.RoadSoft.org>

At the all new RoadSoft.org, you can

- Register to receive e-mail notices about upcoming training, updates, and news,
- Keep up with the latest happenings in the world of Asset Management,
- Find out about upcoming events,
- Download on-line training modules, and much, much more!

We'll regularly add and expand features and content, so check back with RoadSoft.org often to find out what's new.

Volunteer to be a RoadSoft Technical Advisor!

Part of the 2007 work plan is the Driveway Inventory Module, the Traffic Signal Module, and enhancing the Traffic Counting module. We need people who are willing to participate in the design of any of the new features. Call us at 906-487-2102 to find out how you can help make RoadSoft even better!

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**RoadSoft User Group/
CRAM Asset Management
Advisory Committee meeting**

9:30am-11:30am, March 6, 2007

**Holiday Inn West in Lansing
(In conjunction with the ASMRC Conference)**

- Learn more about using *RoadSoft-GIS*
- Find out about new features in version 6.5
- Influence development direction
- Share your questions, comments, and ideas
- Discuss the future format of RUG meetings

**All RoadSoft-GIS users from
all regions are welcome**

**2007 TAMC Data Collection
PASER Training**

The LTAP center will assist the Asset Management Council with full day Asset Management/PASER Training. Call LTAP at 906-487-2102 to register. Check <http://www.MichiganLTAP.org> for more details. Training is scheduled for:

Escanaba 3/15/2007
Kalamazoo 3/19/2007
Farmington Hills 3/20/2007
Saginaw 3/21/2007
Traverse City 3/22/2007
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