



**The Eastern Transportation Coalition Info Sharing Event
Virtual Info Exchange: Statewide Data Needs Assessment: A GDOT Case Study
February 23, 2024
Q&A Summary**

Q: James Li (MWCOCG): Did GDOT get any documentation from the vendor regarding the Wejo issue you mentioned?

A: Sam Harris (Georgia DOT): It left a gap. We had a contract but hadn't received any data. It was a silver lining for us because we didn't have to pay anything, but it was unfortunate to see Wejo go because we needed the data. It allowed us to take another step back as we worked through this RFI. In terms of documentation, there was nothing formal that we received or anything along those lines.

A: Matt Glasser (Arcadis): We asked these questions multiple times in our conversations with the vendors: what's the current standing? What data attributes can you provide us? How big is the dataset? There was a large amount of time dedicated to having one-on-one conversations with the vendors to understand the documentation that they were providing. What we ended up doing was taking them at their word and letting the contract play out.

A: Sheryl Bradley (The Eastern Transportation Coalition): We have had some extensive conversations with vendors, particularly those who were impacted by Wejo's departure. There's some work going on in the background to try to remediate those losses and we're seeing some positive movement in that area.

Q: Simona Babiceanu (Virginia DOT): Did you try to revalidate after the Wejo bankruptcy? In Virginia, we saw a drop in quality between May and June 2023. Any thoughts or ideas about what agencies can do?

A: Sheryl Bradley (The Eastern Transportation Coalition): This is part of that conversation and we expect to discuss further in a follow-up meeting. We compared the availability of real-time data now from those data sources compared to prior dates. It took us back to the pre-pandemic period in terms of the amount of real-time data available. Stan and Zach have done a lot of work on that front and we will send out information soon regarding our investigation.

A: Matt Glasser (Arcadis): When this new version of the contract was coming out I had the privilege of working with the Coalition and other state DOT members to ensure that there would be solutions if a problem like this arose. There was some contract language around this situation – it wasn't just "you're off the contract and that's the end of that." We asked lots of questions - what happens if a vendor doesn't meet the quality standards? What's the mechanism by which a state deals with this? How do we engage with the Coalition? While I hate that there are issues with Wejo, I'm glad to see that language adjustment and how it has been useful for us.

Q: Alexander Finch (Connecticut DOT): Will a copy of this presentation be available? It would be useful to talk to our Chief Data Officer about large data purchases.

A: Sheryl Bradley (The Eastern Transportation Coalition): The presentation will be available on our website and a link to the recording will be sent out.



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Q: **Sheryl Bradley (The Eastern Transportation Coalition):** Are any other states on the call engaging in this process of looking at your data purchases across multiple work groups or on a statewide level like Georgia DOT?

A: Simona Babiceanu (Virginia DOT): Virginia DOT is starting to look at purchases on an agency level but is behind Georgia.