

Station #5: Tolling

BENEFITS OF TOLLING

- Manages traffic flow by causing people to consider the toll cost before choosing to use the bridge
- Provides revenue to pay for the bridge and, potentially, area road improvements

TOLL SYSTEM OPERATIONS

- Tolls are collected using an electronic system
- There is no need for vehicles to slow down or stop
- The vehicle owner has a “toll transponder” (about the size of a credit card) in their car. When the vehicle passes through the toll collection system, the toll is automatically charged against an account set up by the vehicle owner.
- Once a month the toll system sends an invoice showing toll charges on the owners account.
- Toll systems can charge higher rates for trucks.
- Toll systems can charge a reduced rate for those with limited means.

FEASIBILITY STUDY INFORMATION

- Costs for the toll system and on-going operations
- Different toll rates, to find the best combination of revenue and safety on the surrounding roads
- Revenue forecasts for a toll bridge
- Financial feasibility for a toll bridge, determined by comparing expected revenue to costs for the toll system, for bridge construction and for bridge maintenance



Example toll transponders

PLEASE NOTE: There is no assumption that a toll will be implemented.