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ABSTRACT

Evaluation of Glare and Lighting Performance in Nighttime Highway Construction Projects

An increasing amount of highway repair and construction work is being performed during the off-peak nighttime hours. Nighttime construction is advocated as a way to mitigate the impact of construction operations on the traveling public, shorten the duration of construction operations, and reduce the potential for work zone accidents. However, the utilization and placement of lighting equipment to illuminate the work zone may cause harmful levels of glare for the traveling public. This type of nighttime glare needs to be controlled and minimized to ensure safety for the traveling public and construction workers. This research study focused on studying the veiling luminance ratio (glare) experienced by drive-by motorists in lanes adjacent to nighttime work zones.

The major objectives of this study are to: (1) provide an in-depth comprehensive review of the latest literature on the causes of glare and the existing practices that can be used to quantify and control glare during nighttime highway construction; (2) identify practical factors that affect the measurement of veiling luminance ratio (glare) in and around nighttime work zones; (3) analyze and compare the levels of glare and lighting performance generated by typical lighting arrangements in nighttime highway construction; (4) evaluate the impact of lighting design parameters on glare and provide practical recommendations to reduce and control lighting glare in and around nighttime work zones; (5) develop a practical model that can be utilized by resident engineers and contractors to measure and quantify veiling luminance ratio (glare)



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experienced by drive-by motorists near nighttime highway construction sites; and (6) investigate and analyze existing recommendations on the maximum allowable levels of veiling luminance ratio (glare) that can be tolerated by nighttime drivers from similar lighting sources. In order to achieve these objectives, the study was conducted in four major tasks that focused on: (1) conducting a comprehensive literature review; (2) visiting and studying a number of nighttime highway construction projects; (3) conducting field studies to evaluate the performance of selected lighting arrangements; and (4) developing practical models to measure and control the levels of glare experienced by drive-by motorists in lanes adjacent to nighttime work zones.

In the first task of the project, a comprehensive literature review was conducted to study the latest research and developments on veiling luminance ratio (glare) and its effects on drivers and construction workers during nighttime highway construction work. Sources of information included publications from professional societies, journal articles, on-line databases, and contacts from DOT's. The review of the literature focused on: (1) lighting requirements for nighttime highway construction; (2) causes and sources of glare in nighttime work zones, including fixed roadway lighting, vehicles headlamps, and nighttime lighting equipment in the work zone; (3) the main types of glare which can be classified based on its source as either direct or reflected glare; and based on its impact as discomfort, disabling, or blinding glare; (4) available procedures to measure and quantify discomfort and disabling glare; (5) existing methods to quantify pavement/adaptation luminance which is essential in measuring discomfort and disabling glare; (6) available recommendations by State DOTs and



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professional organizations to control glare; and (7) existing guidelines and hardware for glare control.

The second task involved site visits to a number of nighttime work zones to identify practical factors that affect the measurement of the veiling luminance ratio in nighttime construction sites. The site visits were conducted over a five-month period in order to gather data on the type of construction operations that are typically performed during nighttime hours, the type of lighting equipment used to illuminate the work area, and the levels of glare experienced by workers and motorists in and around the work zone. One of the main findings of these site visits was identifying a number of challenges and practical factors that significantly affect the measurement and quantification of the veiling luminance ratio (glare) in nighttime work zones. These practical factors were carefully considered during the development of the glare measurement model in this study to ensure its practicality and ease of use in nighttime work zones by resident engineers and contractors alike. Another important finding of the site visits was the observation that improper utilization and setup of construction lighting equipment may cause significant levels of glare for construction workers and drive-by motorists.

In the third task, field experiments were conducted to study and evaluate the levels of lighting glare caused by commonly used lighting equipment in nighttime work zones. During these experiments, a total of 25 different lighting arrangements were tested over a period of 33 days from May 10, 2007 to June 12, 2007 at the Illinois Center for Transportation (ICT) in the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. The objectives



of these experiments were to: (1) analyze and compare the levels of glare and lighting performance generated by typical lighting arrangements in nighttime highway construction; and (2) provide practical recommendations for lighting arrangements to reduce and control lighting glare in and around nighttime work zones. The field tests were designed to evaluate the levels of glare and lighting performance generated by commonly used construction lighting equipment, including one balloon light, two balloon lights, three balloon lights, one light tower and one Nite Lite. The tests were also designed to study the impact of tested lighting parameters (i.e., type of light, height of light, aiming and rotation angles of light towers, and height of vehicle/observer) on the veiling luminance ratio experienced by drive-by motorists as well as their impact on the average horizontal illuminance and lighting uniformity ratio in the work area. Based on the findings from these tests, a number of practical recommendations were provided to control and reduce veiling luminance ratio/glare in and around nighttime work zones.

The final (fourth) task of this study focused on the development of a practical model to measure and quantify veiling luminance ratio (glare) experienced by drive-by motorists in lanes adjacent to nighttime work zones. The model was designed to consider the practical factors that were identified during the site visits, including the need to provide a robust balance between practicality and accuracy to ensure that it can be efficiently and effectively used by resident engineers on nighttime highway construction sites. To ensure practicality, the model enables resident engineers to measure the required vertical illuminance data in safe locations inside the work zone while allowing the



traffic in adjacent lanes to flow uninterrupted. These measurements can then be analyzed by newly developed regression models to accurately calculate the vertical illuminance values experienced by drivers from which the veiling luminance ratio (glare) can be derived. This task also analyzed existing recommendations on the maximum allowable levels of veiling luminance ratio (glare) that can be tolerated by nighttime drivers from various lighting sources, including roadway lighting, headlights of opposite traffic vehicles, and lighting equipment in nighttime work zones.

The main research development of this study contribute to the advancement of current practice in highway construction and can lead to an increase in the safety of construction workers and the traveling public in and around the nighttime work zones. The outcome of this study will help in: (1) identifying practical factors and challenges that affect the measurements of glare in and around nighttime work zones; (2) evaluating and comparing the lighting performance and glare levels of typical construction lighting equipment that are commonly used in nighttime highway construction projects; (3) recommending practical lighting arrangements that generate acceptable levels of lighting glare for motorists and adequate levels of lighting performance for construction workers inside the work zone; (4) developing practical and safe model for measuring and quantifying the veiling luminance ratio experienced by drive-by motorists near nighttime highway construction sites; and (5) providing a baseline for Departments of Transportation (DOTs) to develop specifications and standards on how to control and quantify the levels of glare in nighttime highway construction projects.



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CHAPTER 1 INTRODUCTION

1.1. Overview and Problem Statement

Highway construction and repair projects often alter and/or close existing roads during construction operations, resulting in traffic congestions and delays to the traveling public. In order to alleviate these adverse effects of construction operations, an increasing number of highway construction and repair projects throughout the United States are being performed during off-peak nighttime hours (El-Rayes et al. 2003; El-Rayes and Hyari 2003; Bryden and Mace 2002; and El-Rayes and Hyari 2002). The use of nighttime operations in highway construction and repair projects is reported to provide many advantages including: (1) reduced traffic congestion and motorist delay (Shepard and Cottrell 1985); (2) minimized adverse economic impacts of traffic congestion on local commerce particularly for shipping and delivery services (Bryden and Mace 2002); (3) decreased pollution from idling vehicles stopped at construction site (McCall 1999); (4) improved work-zone conditions as the smaller amount of traffic at night creates an opportunity to enlarge work zones allowing the concurrent performance of multiple tasks (Shepard and Cottrell 1985); (5) longer working hours at night (Shepard and Cottrell 1985); (6) enhanced work conditions during hot construction seasons due to lower temperatures experienced at night (Shepard and Cottrell 1985); and (7) faster delivery of material to and from the work zone since traffic conditions are better at night, leading to less idle time for both labor and equipment (Price 1986). The relative importance of these advantages was investigated by a prior study (El-Rayes et al. 2003) that asked DOTs personnel to rank



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these advantages using a scale from 1 to 5, where "1" represents the least important and "5" indicates the most important, as shown in Figure 1.1.



Figure 1.1 Relative Importance of Nighttime Construction Advantages (EI-Rayes et al. 2003)

Despite the above advantages, lighting conditions in nighttime work zones are often reported to cause harmful levels of glare for both drivers and construction personnel due to improper lighting arrangements. In a recent study (El-Rayes et al. 2003), glare was reported to be one of the main lighting problems that face resident engineers, contractors, and DOT's personnel in nighttime highway construction zones, as shown in Figures 1.2, 1.3, and 1.4, respectively. In that study, glare was identified by 60% of resident engineers in Illinois as a serious lighting problem for road users. Moreover, DOT officials in various states ranked glare for road users as their number one lighting problem while contractors ranked glare for workers as their most serious problem (El-Rayes et al. 2003).





Figure 1.2 Lighting Problems Encountered by Resident Engineers in Illinois (El-Rayes et al. 2003)



Figure 1.3 Lighting Problems Encountered by Contractors (El-Rayes et al. 2003)





Figure 1.4 Lighting Problems Reported by DOTs in Nighttime Construction (EI-Rayes et al. 2003)

Glare is a term used to describe the sensation of annoyance, discomfort or loss of visual performance and visibility produced by experiencing luminance in the visual field significantly greater than that to which eyes of the observer are adapted (Triaster 1982). Glare from work zone lighting is reported to be one of the most serious challenges confronting nighttime construction operations as it leads to increased levels of hazards and crashes on and around nighttime construction sites (El-Rayes et al. 2003; Hancher and Taylor 2001; Shepard and Cottrell 1985). Nighttime drivers passing near a nighttime construction zone may find difficulty adjusting to the extreme changes in lighting levels when they travel from a relatively dark roadway environment to a bright lighting condition in the work zone. Similarly, the vision of equipment operators in the work zone may be impaired by bright and direct lighting sources. As



such, contractors and resident engineers should exert every possible effort to reduce glare during nighttime operations. The major challenge in minimizing glare is caused by the lack of a practical and objective model that can be used to measure and quantify glare on nighttime construction sites. The lack of such a model often leads to disputes among resident engineers and contractors on what constitutes acceptable or objectionable levels of glare, and does not enable them to quantify reductions in glare that can be achieved on site.

1.2. Research Objectives

The primary goal of this study is to develop a glare measurement model that is capable of measuring and quantifying lighting glare during nighttime construction work. To achieve this goal, the main research objectives of this study are:

<u>Objective 1</u>: to conduct in-depth comprehensive review of the latest literature on the causes of glare and existing practices that can be used to quantify and control glare during nighttime highway construction.

<u>Research Questions:</u> What are the causes of lighting glare in nighttime highway construction projects? What are the typical forms of glare that can be encountered by drivers and workers? What are the current practices and methods used to measure and quantify glare? What are the available standards and recommendations to control and reduce glare in and around nighttime highway construction projects? <u>Hypothesis:</u> The investigation of existing practices and standards to quantify and control glare will ensure that research developments are aimed at addressing the most



pressing needs in reducing the harmful levels of glare in and around the construction site.

<u>Objective 2</u>: to conduct site visits of nighttime work zones in order to identify practical factors that affect the measurement of veiling luminance ratio (glare) in this type of highway construction projects.

<u>Research Questions:</u> What are the typical construction operations that are performed during nighttime construction? What are the types of lighting equipment that are commonly used to illuminate the work area for these operations? What are the levels of glare experienced by workers and motorists in and around nighttime construction sites?

<u>Hypothesis:</u> The knowledge gained from the site visits on the practical factors that affect lighting glare in and around the nighttime construction projects will improve understanding of the present challenges in measuring and controlling nighttime glare for drive-by motorists and construction workers.

Objective 3: to conduct controlled field experiments in order to analyze and compare the levels of glare and lighting performance generated by typical lighting arrangements in nighttime highway construction.

<u>Research Questions</u>: How to set up a set of field experiments to simulate the typical lighting conditions in nighttime work zones? What are the differences in the glare levels and lighting performance generated by typical construction lighting equipment in the work zone?



<u>Hypothesis</u>: The testing and analysis of typical construction lighting equipment will improve understanding on the impact of the type and set up of the utilized lighting equipment on the levels of glare and lighting performance in nighttime highway construction.

<u>Objective 4:</u> to evaluate the impact of lighting design parameters on glare and provide practical recommendations for lighting arrangements to reduce and control lighting glare in and around nighttime work zones.

<u>Research Questions:</u> What are the impacts of lighting design parameters (type of light, height, rotation angle, and aiming angle) on the generated glare levels and lighting performance? How can glare be reduced and controlled in and around nighttime work zones?

<u>Hypothesis</u>: The evaluation of the lighting parameters and their effects on glare levels will create new knowledge on the practical measures and recommendations that can be used to reduce harmful levels of glare in and around nighttime construction sites. This new knowledge can lead to improvements in the safety of the traveling public and construction workers during nighttime highway construction.

<u>Objective 5:</u> to develop a practical model that can be safely utilized by contractors and resident engineers on site to measure and quantify the levels of veiling luminance ratio (glare) experienced by drive-by motorists near nighttime highway construction sites.



<u>Research Questions:</u> How to calculate and quantify lighting glare that is generated by the construction lighting equipment and experienced by the traveling public? How can a resident engineer safely measure the levels of glare experienced by drive-by motorists in open-traffic lanes adjacent to the work zone?

<u>Hypothesis:</u> The development of a glare measurement model can reduce disputes between resident engineers and contractors on what constitutes acceptable levels of glare in and around nighttime work zones and how it can be measured. The proposed development of the model will also enable resident engineers to conduct the necessary glare measurements and calculation in a safe area inside the work zone.

<u>Objective 6:</u> to investigate and analyze existing recommendations on the maximum allowable levels of veiling luminance ratio (glare) that can be tolerated by nighttime drivers passing next to nighttime highway construction projects.

<u>Research Questions:</u> What can be considered as an acceptable glare level for driveby motorists near nighttime construction zone?

<u>Hypothesis</u>: The investigation of the maximum allowable levels of glare by nighttime drivers from different lighting sources (i.e. lighting equipment in nighttime work zones, roadway lighting, and headlights of opposite traffic vehicles) can help in developing and establishing acceptable glare levels for the traveling public.

1.3. Research Significance

The proposed research developments will create new knowledge on the impact of lighting parameters on the glare levels and lighting performance generated in nighttime wok zones. These developments will also lead to the development of a



practical model to enable resident engineers and contractors to safely measure and quantify lighting glare around nighttime highway construction. The application of such a model holds a strong promise to: (1) improve safety for both the traveling public and construction workers through reducing the glare effects on drive-by motorists near the construction zone; (2) reduce disputes between contractors and resident engineers on what constitutes acceptable levels of glare in and around nighttime work zone; (3) improve the selection criteria of the construction lighting equipment in nighttime work zones; (4) recommend practical lighting arrangements that generate acceptable levels of glare for motorists and adequate levels of lighting performance for construction workers inside the work zone; and (5) provide a baseline for Departments of Transportation (DOTs) to develop specifications and standards on how to control and quantify the levels of glare in nighttime highway construction projects.

1.4. Research Methodology

In order to achieve the aforementioned objectives, the research work in this study is organized into six main research tasks that are designed to: (1) conduct a comprehensive literature review; (2) conduct site visits of several nighttime highway construction projects; (3) perform field experiments; (4) evaluate and analyze the impact of lighting design parameters on glare levels and lighting performance; (5) develop a practical model to measure glare levels; and (6) investigate existing recommendations on acceptable levels of lighting glare, as shown in Figure 1.5.



1.4.1. Task 1: Conduct a Comprehensive Literature Review

This task focuses on conducting a comprehensive literature to establish baseline knowledge of existing research in evaluating and calculating the veiling luminance ratio (glare). The work in this research task is organized in the following four sub-tasks:

- 1- Investigate the causes of lighting glare in nighttime highway construction projects.
- 2- Identify the types of lighting glare.
- 3- Examine the existing methods and techniques for measuring and quantifying the types of glare.
- 4- Explore available standards and recommendations to reduce harmful levels of glare.

1.4.2. Task 2: Conduct Site Visits

This task involves visiting and studying a number of nighttime highway construction sites to identify practical factors that affect the measurement of glare levels in and around nighttime work zones. This research task is performed in three sub-tasks:

- Identify the type of construction operations that are typically performed during nighttime hours;
- 2- Explore the type of lighting equipment used to illuminate the work area for these operations; and
- 3- Examine the levels of glare that are typically experienced by workers and motorists in and around nighttime construction sites.



1.4.3. Task 3: Perform Field Experiments

A number of field experiments were conducted in this task to analyze and compare glare levels and lighting performance generated by commonly used construction lighting equipments. The research work in this task is divided into three sub-tasks to test and examine the performance of three typical lighting equipment: (1) Balloon Light; (2) Light Tower; and (3) Nite Lite.

1.4.4. Task 4: Evaluate Lighting Design Parameters

The results of the filed experiments in the previous task are used to evaluate and analyze the impact of the lighting design parameters (i.e., type, height, rotation angle, and aiming angle of the light source) on glare levels and lighting performance. Moreover, the evaluation of the lighting parameters in addition to the knowledge gathered from the literature and the site visits are used to develop recommendations for lighting arrangements to reduce and control lighting glare in and around nighttime highway construction sites. This task is performed in four sub-tasks:

- 1- Evaluate the impact of the type of light on glare levels.
- 2- Test the impact of the light height on glare and lighting performance.
- 3- Examine the impact of the rotation and aiming angles of the light tower on the lighting performance and glare levels.
- 4- Analyze the impact of the observer height and type of vehicle on the experienced levels of glare.



1.4.5. Task 5: Develop a Glare Measurement Model

This task focuses on developing a practical glare model to enable resident engineers and contractors to safely measure and control the levels of glare experienced by driveby motorists in lanes adjacent to nighttime work zones. The development of the model is divided into three sub-tasks:

- 1- Design a robust computational procedure to enable the measurement and calculation of the veiling luminance ratio (glare).
- 2- Develop a user interface model to facilitate the input of the measurement data and output of the calculated glare levels.
- 3- Generate regression analysis models for measuring and quantifying the glare levels. These regression models are integrated in the developed model and they are designed to accurately calculate the vertical illuminance values experienced by drivers in adjacent lanes to the work zone based on the measured values at safe locations inside the work zone.

1.4.6. Task 6: Investigate Existing Recommendations on Allowable Glare Levels

This research work in this task is focused on exploring and analyzing existing studies and recommendations on the maximum allowable level of veiling luminance ratio that can be tolerated by nighttime motorists. The work in this task is divided into three subtasks:

- 1- Investigate the maximum allowable levels of glare in roadway lighting.
- 2- Analyze and examine the glare levels experienced by headlights of opposite traffic vehicles.


3- Evaluate and study the glare levels experienced by typical lighting equipment used in nighttime highway work zones.

1.5. Report Organization

The organization of this report and its relation to the main research tasks of this study is shown in Figure 1.5. Chapter 2 presents a detailed literature review that establish baseline knowledge of the latest research and developments on veiling luminance ratio (glare) and its effects on drivers and construction workers during nighttime highway construction work. Sources of information included publications from professional societies, journal articles, on-line databases, and contacts from DOT's.

Chapter 3 identifies practical factors that affect the measurement of glare in and around nighttime work zones through visiting several nighttime highway construction work zones. During these visits, extensive data were gathered on (1) the type of construction operations that were performed during nighttime hours; (2) the type of lighting equipment used to illuminate the work area for these operations; and (3) the levels of glare that were experienced by workers and motorists in and around these construction sites.

Chapter 4 presents the results of field experiments conducted to study and evaluate the levels of lighting glare caused by commonly used lighting equipment in nighttime work zones. The objectives of these experiments are to: (1) analyze and compare the lighting performance and levels of glare generated by commonly used lighting arrangements in nighttime highway construction; and (2) provide practical



recommendations for lighting arrangements to reduce lighting glare in and around nighttime work zones.

Chapter 5 presents a summary of the impact of the tested lighting parameters on the lighting performance in and around nighttime work zones; and a number of practical recommendations that can be used to control and reduce glare caused by lighting arrangements in nighttime highway construction.

Chapter 6 describes the development of a practical model to measure glare experienced by motorists driving in lanes adjacent to nighttime highway construction zones. The model is designed to consider the practical factors that were identified in Chapter 3. Moreover, the model enables resident engineers and contactors to measure and quantify veiling luminance ratio (glare) in safe locations inside the work zone while allowing the traffic in adjacent lanes to flow uninterrupted. In addition, newly developed regression models were presented to accurately calculate the vertical illuminance values experienced by drivers by performing these measurements within the safe area inside the work zone.

Chapter 7 analyzes existing studies and recommendations on the maximum allowable levels of veiling luminance ratio (glare) that can be tolerated by nighttime drivers from various lighting sources, including roadway lighting, headlights of opposite traffic vehicles, and construction lighting in nighttime work zones.





Figure 1.5 Research Tasks and Products



CHAPTER 2 LITERATURE REVIEW

An extensive literature review was conducted to investigate and study existing research on glare in nighttime highway construction. The following sections provide a brief summary of the reviewed literature on (1) lighting requirements for nighttime highway construction; (2) causes of glare in nighttime work zones; (3) types of glare; (4) glare measurements; and (5) available standards and recommendations for glare control.

2.1. Lighting Requirements for Nighttime Highway Construction

Lighting conditions in nighttime work zones need to satisfy a number of important lighting design requirements including: (1) illuminance; (2) light uniformity; (3) glare; (4) light trespass; and (5) visibility. The following sections describe these important lighting requirements.

2.1.1. Illuminance

Existing nighttime construction specifications require a minimum level of average illuminance that needs to be provided on site to ensure the availability of adequate lighting conditions for all planned nighttime construction tasks. Illuminance represents the density of luminous flux in lumens (i.e. time rate of flow of light) incident on a surface area in lux (lumen/m2). Illuminance levels can be measured on site using a simple illuminance meter, as shown in Figure 2.1 (Taylor 2000; Sanders and McCormick 1993; Kaufman 1981). The minimum illuminance level required by existing nighttime lighting specifications depends on the type of construction task, and it ranges from 54 to 216 lux (Bryden and Mace 2003; Ellis et al. 2003; Oregon DOT



2003; California DOT 2001; Michigan DOT 1999; Hutchings 1998; RRD 216 1996; New York DOT 1995; North Carolina DOT 1995; CIE 1986; Australian Government Publishing Service 1979; American National Standard Institute 1973).



Figure 2.1 Illuminance Meter

2.1.2. Light Uniformity

Light uniformity is a design criteria used to identify how evenly light reaches the different parts of the target area. Light uniformity can be quantified using a ratio of average illuminance on site to the minimum level of illuminance measured in the work area (IESNA 2004; IESNA 2000). A maximum ratio of light uniformity should not be exceeded to ensure that light is uniformly distributed in the nighttime work zone area. The maximum levels of uniformity ratio specified in existing nighttime lighting standards range from 5:1 to 10:1 (Ellis et. al. 2003; El-Rayes et. al. 2003; Oregon DOT 2003; New York DOT 1995).

2.1.3. Glare

To minimize its negative impact on road users and construction workers, a maximum level of glare should not be exceeded in and around the highway construction zone. Glare can be defined as the sensation of annoyance, discomfort or loss of visual



performance and visibility due to experiencing luminance in the visual field significantly greater than that to which the eyes of the observer are adapted (Pritchard 1999). Glare can be quantified using the veiling luminance ratio, which is determined by calculating the ratio of the veiling luminance to the average pavement luminance in and around the work zone (IESNA 2004; IESNA 2000). The rationale behind using this ratio rather than the absolute veiling luminance is due to the fact that the sensation of glare is not only dependent on the amount of veiling luminance reaching the driver's eyes as an absolute value, but also on the lighting level at which the driver's eyes are adapted to before being exposed to that amount of glare. It should be noted that available lighting standards do not specify a maximum veiling luminance ratio of 0.4 to control glare caused by permanent roadway lighting (IESNA 2004; IESNA 2000).

As previously mentioned, glare can be quantified as a ratio of veiling luminance to the average pavement luminance. Veiling luminance depends on the levels of vertical illuminance that reach the driver's eyes and it can be measured on site using an illuminance meter (see Figure 2.1) while the pavement luminance can be measured using a luminance meter as shown in Figure 2.2 (Triaster 1982). Pavement luminance can be defined as a quantitative measure of the surface brightness measured in candelas per square meter or foot lamberts (Triaster 1982). Pavement luminance controls the magnitude of the sensation of an object which the brain receives. It depends on several factors including (1) the amount of light incident on the pavement;



(2) the reflection characteristics of the pavement surface; (3) relative angle from which the light strikes the surface; and (4) location of the observer.



Figure 2.2 Luminance Meter

Pavement surfaces reflect light towards the drivers using two mechanisms; specularity and diffusion characteristics (see Figure 2.3). An ideal specular surface would reflect the entire incident light at a point at an angle of reflection exactly equal to the angle of incidence. Examples of ideally specular surfaces include mirrors, highly-polished metal surfaces, and the surface of liquids. In total opposite to an ideally specular surface, a perfectly diffuse surface reflects light as a cosine function of the incident angle. A perfectly diffuse surface would appear equally bright to an observer from any viewing angle. Examples of ideally diffuse surfaces include walls finished with flat white paint at incident angles close to zero degrees (King 1976).

Although one of these two mechanisms is primarily controlling light reflection for a given surface, no pavement surface will act as an ideal diffuser or specular but rather as a combination of these two forms. Portland cement concrete surfaces essentially



utilize a diffuse reflection mode while asphalt concrete surfaces mainly act as a specular one. Pavement reflectance properties depend, among other factors, on the surface characteristics, the color, and the roughness of the surface. Because of their light-colored aggregates, concrete surfaces have initial higher reflectance values than asphalt surfaces.



Figure 2.3 Comparison between Specular and Diffuse Reflections

To explain the mixed influences of the specular and diffusion properties of a surface, consider a single luminaire on the side of a roadway, which would produce a single luminous patch on the pavement surface. To the driver, this luminous will produce a patch with the form of a "T" with the tail extending toward the observer (see Figure 2.4). The size, shape, and luminance properties of the "T" depend mainly on the reflectance properties of the surface. For a diffusive-dominant surface, the head of the "T" predominates and only a short tail would appear. For a specular-dominant surface, the head of the "T" will be small and the tail very long. For a wet surface, the head may not be visible and the tail may become elongated.





Figure 2.4 Luminous Patch Produced on Different Pavement Surfaces

2.1.4. Light Trespass

Light trespass can be defined as "light from an artificial light source that is intruding into an area where it is not wanted or does not belong" (Connecticut Municipal Regulation 2001). It can be controlled by measuring vertical illuminance at the edge of the affected property line using a simple illuminance meter, as shown in Figure 2.1. These vertical illuminance measurements should be taken at a vertical height that represents the plane of an observer's eye at possible viewing locations of the light source (IESNA TM 2000). IESNA recommends maximum vertical illuminance limits to control light trespass caused by outdoor lighting (IESNA TM 2000). These roadway lighting limits can be used as a guideline if nighttime lighting in the highway construction zone causes annoyance for residences adjoining the worksite. The recommended vertical illuminance levels to control trespass from roadway lighting range from 1 lux for post-curfew hours in suburban and rural residential areas to 15



lux for pre-curfew hours in dense urban areas with mixed residential and commercial use (IESNA TM 2000).

A comprehensive survey was conducted by Lighting Sciences Inc. of Scottsdale AZ to gather information about the nature of the light trespass problem and possible solutions. The respondents were asked to rate the seriousness of various forms of light trespass. The most serious problem was reported to be caused by nighttime lighting in sports arenas and fields. Some moderately serious forms included roadway lighting and advertising signs that cause unwanted light to enter residences through windows. Respondents from electric utility companies indicated that they receive 3 to 100 complaints annually concerning light trespass (Lewin 1992). The respondents were also asked to rate the importance of a number of suggested solutions to be added to ordinances. Solutions that were rated highly important included applying a limit to the amount of spill light that passes a property line and specifying some form of shielding (Lewin 1992).

A number of cities set local ordinances to control light trespass, including the following (Hyari 2004, Connecticut Municipal Regulation 2001, Lewin 1992):

- City of Milwaukee, WI, requires that the illuminance beyond the property line must be less than 0.2 fc at 4 ft above the ground.
- City of Greenwich, CT, requires that (1) all exterior lights be shielded; (2) lights adjacent to businesses must not be visible from a height of greater than 5 ft while those adjacent to residential areas must not be visible at any height; and



(3) intensity of lighting at property line must not exceed 0.5 fc for businesses or0.1 fc for residences.

- County of San Diego, CA, requires that illuminance levels caused by spill light shall not exceed 0.2 fc; which is equivalent to the amount of illuminance from moonlight, in both the horizontal and vertical planes at a point 1.5 m (5 ft) inside the owner's property line.
- Village of Skokie, IL, defines light trespass to be light from a roadway lighting system falling on adjacent properties with an intensity of more than 0.3 fc.
- County of Milford, CT, limits the maximum allowable illuminance on the edge of a property line to 0.1 fc and 0.5 fc for residentially and commercially zoned properties, respectively.
- County of Watertown, CT, prevents the location of any lighting within 5 ft of any property lines.

The Illuminating Engineering Society of North America (IESNA) on the other hand recommends limits for vertical illumination that reaches a property. Table 2.1 shows the limits for light trespass which represent the maximum allowed vertical illuminance in the plane of an observer's eye at possible viewing locations of the light source, which are recommended to be measured at the edge of the property line (Hyari 2004, IESNA TM-2000).



Environmental Zone	Pre-Curfew Limitations*	Post-Curfew Limitations*		
Areas of low ambient brightness (suburban and rural residential areas where roadway lighting may be lighted to typical residential standards)	3.0 (0.3)	1.0 (0.1)		
Areas of medium ambient brightness (e.g. urban residential areas where roadway lighting will normally be traffic route standards)	8.0 (0.8)	3.0 (0.3)		
Areas of high ambient brightness (e.g. dense urban areas with mixed residential and commercial use with a high level of nighttime activity)	15.0 (1.5)	6.0 (0.6)		

Table 2.1 Recommended Light Trespass Limitations (IESNA TM-2000)

*Lux (footcandles) values on a plane perpendicular to the line of sight to the luminaire (s).

2.1.5. Visibility

Visibility is often considered to be a more valid criterion for roadway lighting design than luminance and illuminance (Janoff et al. 1989). This is mainly due to the findings of research studies that indicated the existence of a correlation between visibility and both nighttime safety and human visual performance, and the inability to establish such a correlation between luminance or illuminance and these factors (Janoff et al. 1989). Despite its significance, no research has been directed towards overcoming the difficulty of measuring visibility (Ellis et al. 1995). Currently there are a limited number of devices to measure visibility in controlled environments such as laboratories, all of which are based on reducing the illuminance of the scene until a predetermined object called the critical detail, can barely be seen (Kaufman and Christensen 1987).



A quantitative measure of Visibility is the Visibility Index, which can be calculated using Equation 2.1 (Janoff et al. 1989).

VI= C X RCS X DGF (2.1)

Where,

C = physical contrast;

- RCS = relative contrast sensitivity; and
- DGF = disability glare factor.

Visibility is also an important criterion in roadway lighting design because humans use luminance contrast to distinguish between the target object and the background. As such, visibility is affected by both glare and contrast sensitivity (Janoff et al. 1989). Contrast sensitivity is "the ability to detect luminance difference", while contrast can be defined as "the relationship between luminance of an object and its immediate background" and it is given by the following equation (Kaufman 1981).

$$Contrast = |(L_o - L_i)/L_i|$$
(2.2)

Where,

L_o = luminance of the object; and

 L_i = luminance of the background.

2.2. Causes of Glare in Nighttime Work Zone

Glare from work zone lighting is reported to be one of the most serious challenges confronting nighttime construction operations as it leads to increased levels of hazards and crashes on and around nighttime construction sites (El-Rayes et al. 2003; Hancher and Taylor 2001; Cottrell 1999; Shepard and Cottrell 1985). The main



causes of glare in nighttime work zones that were reported in the literature review include: glare from fixed road lighting, glare from vehicles' headlamps, and glare from construction and lighting equipments (Porter et al. 2005; IESNA 2004; Ellis et al. 2003; Bullough et al. 2002; IESNA 2000; Cottrell 1999; Mace et al. 2001; Schieber 1998; Ellis and Amos 1996).

Several research studies have reported that roadway lighting can cause glare for drivers and pedestrians. The effect of glare from roadway lighting increases with: (1) the increase of the glare source's luminance; (2) the decrease of the pavement luminance; and (3) the decrease of the glare angle between the light source and the line of sight of the observer (IESNA 2004; Bullough et al. 2002; Mace et al. 2001; IESNA 2000). The glare angle and its impact on the overall levels of glare experienced by drivers are affected by three factors: (1) the distance between the driver and the light source; (2) the height of the light source relative to the height of the observer; and (3) the direction in which the light is aimed (Bryden and Mace 2002; Ellis and Amos 1996). In urban and semi-urban environments where roadway lights are available, there are fewer glare problems because of the availability of the road lights that increase the pavement luminance (Ellis et al. 2003). As for rural areas, glare is a serious problem because of the sudden shift from a dark environment to a well lit one and then back to dark again when passing through a construction zone. The Illuminating Engineering Society of North America (IESNA 2004; IESNA 2000) recommends the use of a veiling luminance ratio as a method to measure and control



glare in roadway lighting design. A maximum veiling luminance ratio of 0.4 is recommended as a threshold to control glare at nighttime driving by the IESNA (2004).

Vehicles headlights are also a major cause of glare in nighttime driving (Mace et al. 2001). There are several factors that affect the levels of glare caused by vehicles headlights including: (1) intensity of light produced by the headlights; (2) illuminance levels that reach the drivers eyes from the headlights of vehicles on the opposite direction; (3) angle between the headlights and the line of sight of the driver traveling on the opposite direction which depends on the geometry of the road (i.e., median and lane width); (4) photometric distribution of the headlights' high and low beam; (5) aiming standards of the headlights; and (6) headlights height (Mace et al. 2001).

Glare is also caused by lighting in nighttime construction zones (El-Rayes and Hyari 2005; Hyari 2004; Ellis et al. 2003; El-Rayes et al. 2003; Bryden and Mace 2002; Ellis and Amos 1996; Amos 1994). There are several factors that affect glare levels in and around nighttime construction zones including: (1) type and intensity of the utilized lighting equipment; (2) location of the nighttime lights in the nighttime work zone and their proximity to drivers and construction personnel; (3) aiming angle of the luminaries; and (4) height of the light sources on site (El-Rayes and Hyari 2005; El-Rayes et al. 2003). Moreover, the problem of glare to motorists from highway construction was found to be acute when adjacent lanes for the construction area were opened to traffic (Ellis et al. 2003).



2.3. Types of Glare

Glare is a term used to describe the sensation of annoyance, discomfort or loss of visual performance and visibility produced by experiencing luminance in the visual field significantly greater than that to which eyes of the observer are adapted (Triaster 1982). Glare can also be described as the excessive contrast between bright and dark areas in the visual field. The bright object by itself may not cause glare, however glare will be experienced if a dark background exists with the bright object. Glare can be classified based on its source as either direct or reflected (Sanders and McCormick 1993) and based on its impact as discomfort, disabling or blinding glare (Porter et al. 2005; Bullough et al. 2002; Mace et al. 2001; Schieber 1998; Sanders and McCormick 1993).

2.3.1. Direct and Reflected Glare

Direct glare is mainly caused by direct observation of high luminances in the visual environment of the observer. Examples of direct glare include an insufficiently shielded luminaire, headlights, and taillights (Porter et al. 2005; Mace et al. 2001; Schieber 1998; Sanders and McCormick 1993). Reflected glare is caused by the reflection of light from a surface (Sanders and McCormick 1993). Examples of reflected glare include reflected light from polished surfaces such as the steel or aluminum doors on tractor trailers or a rear-view mirror at night that reflect light toward the driver's eye. Reflected glare can be further classified into four main types: (1) specular, which is caused by reflected light from smooth or polished surface; (2) spread, which is caused when the reflecting surface is brushed or etched; (3) diffuse;



when the light is reflected from flat-painted or matte surface; and (4) compound, when there is combination of the first three types (Sanders and McCormick 1993).

2.3.2. Discomfort, Disabling and Blinding Glare

Glare can also be classified based on its impact on the observers into three types: discomfort, disabling and blinding (Porter et al. 2005; Bullough et al. 2002; Mace et al. 2001; Schieber 1998; Sanders and McCormick 1993). Discomfort glare may result in discomfort, annoyance, pain, and fatigue that may have a deleterious effect on vision (Porter et al. 2005; Bryden and Mace 2002, Mace et al. 2001). Discomfort glare depends on three main factors (1) size, luminance, and number of glare sources; (2) the background luminance; and (3) the angle between the observer's line of site and the source of glare (Mace et al. 2001; Schieber 1998; Amos 1994).

Disabling glare on the other hand is often reported at levels of illumination well above those of discomfort glare (Schieber 1998). Disabling glare results from light scatter within the eye that effectively reduces the visibility of objects (Porter et al. 2005; Bryden and Mace 2002; Mace et al. 2001; Schieber 1998; Sanders and McCormick 1993). Disabling glare, also known as veiling luminance, has strong effect on visibility as it produces a reduction in the visibility distance of low contrast objects (Mace et al. 2001). When an intense light is presented near the line of sight of the observer, the light will scatter in the eye, which overlays the retinal image of an object and reduces the contrast of the retinal image. This scattered light is described as the veiling luminance. Also, the reduction of the object's contrast can reach a threshold where the object is hardly visible. This effect is very important at nighttime when contrast



sensitivity is low and one or more bright lights are near the line of sight such as vehicles headlights, streetlights, or construction equipment lights (CIE 2002). There are three factors that affect disabling glare: (1) illuminance incident on the observer eye from the glare source; (2) age of the observer; and (3) the angle between the observer's line of site and the center of the glare source. Disabling glare is evaluated by comparing it to the adaptation luminance of the motorists which is considered by IESNA to be the pavement luminance levels (Mace et al. 2001; IESNA 2004; IESNA 2000).

The age of the observer is a main factor that affects the measurement of disabling glare. Typically, people's visual faculties decline with age and tend to be more farsighted. The cellular lens of the eyes continues to grow over time, especially the outer layer of the lens. The growth of the cells will increase the thickness of the lens which is the major cause for farsightedness in the elderly, and the thickness will increase the scattering of light passing through the lens. The scattering of the light will cause a veiling luminance over the retinal image and blurs the image on the retina. Also the muscles of the pupil begin to atrophy with age, which will decrease the range and speed of the pupil adjustment over different illumination levels. All these factors will reduce the amount of illumination that reaches the retina and reduce visual acuity (Sanders and McCormick 1993). Weale (1961) demonstrated a 50% reduction of retinal illumination for 50-years old individuals compared to a 20-years old. This further increases to 66% reduction at age 60. Moreover, the National Center for Health Statistics (1977) shows an increase in the percentage of people with defective



visual acuity from 0.7% between age 35 to 44 up to 14% between age 65 to 74 (Sanders and McCormick 1993). The decrease of the speed of the pupil adjustment over different illumination levels and the increase of the light scattering through the eye will increase the sensitivity to disabling glare over time (Sanders and McCormick 1993).

Blinding glare is also called dazzling glare. It causes temporary vision deficiencies such as the effect experienced when staring into the sun. Blinding glare has a long term-effect even after the light source is removed (Sanders and McCormick 1993). It causes the interruption of vision due to very bright visual scenes, such as a sunny beach, presumably due to pupillary spasm by over contraction (Vos 2003). Blinding glare is reported by Vos (2003) to be functional protection against retinal over-exposure which might lead to temporary or even permanent blindness due to photochemical light damage or to retinal burn.

2.4. Glare Measurements

Several studies in the literature have reported various methods to measure and quantify discomfort and disabling glare. The following two sections highlight existing methods to calculate and measure these two types of glare.

2.4.1. Discomfort Glare Measurement

A subjective scale was developed by deBoer and Schreuder (1967) to measure discomfort glare caused by automobiles. The discomfort glare scale includes nine points with qualifiers at the odd points: 1 represents unbearable; 3 for disturbing; 5 for just acceptable; 7 for satisfactory; and 9 for just noticeable (deBoer and Schreuder



1967). Sivak and Olson recommended using the deBoer Scale in attempting to develop a universal methodology to evaluate discomfort glare from vehicles headlamps (Sivak and Olson 1988).

Building on the deBoer Scale, several laboratory experiments were conducted by Schmidt-Clausen and Bindels (1974) and resulted in the development of an equation that can be used to predict the value of deBoer scale based on: the illumination directed toward the observer's eye, the angle between observer's line of sight and the glare source, and the adaptation luminance of the observer, as shown in Equation 2.3.

$$W = 5.0 - 2.0LOG \frac{E_{i}}{0.003 * \left(1 + \sqrt{\frac{L_{a}}{0.04}}\right) * \theta_{i}^{0.46}}$$
(2.3)

Where,

W = predicted deBoer's scale;

E_i = illumination directed toward the observer's eye from the ith light source (in lux);

θi = the glare angle between the observer's line of sight and the ith light source (in minutes of arc); and

$$L_a$$
 = the adaptation luminance (in cd/m²).

The Federal Highway Administration (2005) conducted a study to evaluate the Schmidt-Clausen and Bindels Equation. The study showed that most drivers will rate discomfort glare either on the maximum amount of illumination or the last level of illumination they experienced before giving the rating. The correlation and the data



resulting from the study showed a modification in Schmidt-Clausen and Bindels equation as shown in Equations 2.4 and 2.5 (FHWA 2005). Moreover, Sivak and Olson (1984) showed that in real driving scenarios the average discomfort reported by the observers was one to two scale intervals more comfortable than predicted by Schmidt-Clausen and Bindels Equation.

W = 6.61 - 2.08LOG₁₀
$$\frac{E_{last}}{0.003 * \left(1 + \sqrt{\frac{L_a}{0.04}}\right) * \theta_{last}^{0.46}}$$
 (2.4)

Where,

- E_{last} = the last level of illumination directed toward the observer's eye from the vehicle headlamp (in lux),
- Θ_{last} = the angle between observer's line of sight and the headlamps at last location (minutes of arc) (FHWA 2005).

$$W = 6.79 - 2.0LOG_{10} \frac{E_{max}}{0.003 * \left(1 + \sqrt{\frac{L_a}{0.04}}\right) * \theta_{max}^{0.46}}$$
(2.5)

Where,

- E_{max} = the maximum level of illumination directed toward the observer's eye from the vehicle headlamp (in lux), and
- θ_{max} = the angle between observer's line of sight and the headlamps at location where maximum illumination occurs (minutes of arc) (FHWA 2005).

Schieber (1998) used Schmidt-Clausen and Bindels Equation to estimate discomfort glare from upper and lower beams of daytime running lamps (DRLs) under different



lighting conditions ranging from dawn to dusk. This study estimated the discomfort glare using two main steps: (1) calculate the illumination directed toward the driver's eye from the vehicle headlamp (E_{glare}) as shown in Equation 2.6; and (2) apply the calculated Eglare values in the Schmidt-Clausen and Bindels Equation to estimate the value of the deBoer scale. The study was based on four main assumptions: (1) the light intensity value for the DRL to be 7,000 cd based on the Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards and 10,000 cd for over voltage problems (Schieber 1998); (2) viewing distances of 20 m through 100 m; (3) two-lane road with 3.7 m lane widths; and (4) the adaptation luminance for the driver to be 1 cd/m² for nighttime driving and 50 cd/m² for late twilight/early dawn lighting condition. Based on these assumptions, E_{glare} values were calculated using Equation 2.6 for all possible view points as shown in Table 2.2. These Eglare values were then used to calculate the discomfort glare based on the Schmidt-Clausen and Bindels Equation for the two possible scenarios of 7,000 cd and 10,000 cd as shown in Table 2.3 and 2.4, respectively. Schieber (1998) assumed a value of 4.0 on the deBoer Scale as the level that establishes discomfort glare for drivers. Accordingly, the results illustrate that DRL intensity of 7,000 cd or more represents a potentially significant source of discomfort glare to approaching drivers, especially during nighttime when the adaptation luminance is assumed to be 1 cd/m² (Schieber 1998).

$$\mathsf{E}_{\mathsf{glare}} = \frac{\mathsf{I} \times \mathsf{Cos}\theta}{\mathsf{D}^2} \tag{2.6}$$

Where,

L

= the luminance intensity of the light source (in cd);



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- D = the distance between the light source and the observer's eye (in meters); and
- θ = the angle between the line of sight and the source of light (Vos 2003).

Table 2.2 Dual lamp Eglare (lux) at the Eye of the Observer as a Function of Viewing Distance and Running Light Intensity of 7,000 and 10,000 cd (Schieber 1998)

Viewing	Glare	e Angle (deg	E _{glare} (lux)			
Distance (m)	Interior DRL	Exterior DRL	Midpoint	7,000 cd	10,000 cd	
20	7.41	10.48	8.94	35.00	50.00	
40	3.72	5.28	4.50	8.74	12.50	
60	2.48	3.53	3.00	3.88	5.56	
80	1.86	2.65	2.25	2.18	3.12	
100	1.49	2.12	1.80	1.40	2.00	

Table 2.3 Estimated deBoer Discomfort Glare Rating as a Function of Viewing Distance and Background Luminance for 7000 cd Daytime Running Lights (Schieber 1998)

Viewing	Glaro		deBoer Scale Adaptation Luminance (cd/m ²)				
Distance	Angle	E glare					
(m)	(minarc)	(lux)					
(11)	(IIIIIai C)		1	50			
20	536	35.00	0.93	2.49			
40	270	8.74	1.86	3.43			
60	189	3.88	2.41	3.97			
80	135	2.18	2.79	4.36			
100	108	1.40	3.09	4.65			

Table 2.4 Estimated deBoer Discomfort Glare Rating as a Function of Viewing Distance and Background Luminance for 10000 cd Daytime Running Lights (Schieber 1998).

Viewing	Glaro		deBore Scale				
Distanco	Anglo	E glare	Adaptation Luminance (cd/m ²)				
(m)	(minarc)	(lux)					
(11)	(iiiiiaic)		1	50			
20	536	50.00	0.62	2.19			
40	270	12.50	1.55	3.12			
60	189	5.56	2.09	3.66			
80	135	3.12	2.48	4.05			
100	108	2.00	2.78	4.34			



Vos (2003) proposed a method to measure discomfort glare due to roadway lighting using a similar approach to that of the deBoer Scale. This approach used a Glare Control Mark (GM) that can be calculated using Equation 2.7. The GM depends on the number, height, color, directional radiation pattern of the light sources, the projected area of the luminaires, the light intensity in the direction of an approaching car driver, and the average road luminance. Vos (2003) suggested the use of a scale to relate GM values to discomfort levels, where GM = 1 represents bad, GI = 3 is inadequate, GI = 5 is fair, GI = 7 is good, and GI = 9 is excellent.

$$GM = F + 1.29 \log A_{14} - 3.31 \log I_{10} + 0.97 \log L_{rd}$$
(2.7)

Where,

- F = a value which is determined by the installation characteristics (number of light points per km, suspension height, color and directional radiation pattern);
- A_{14} = the projected area of the luminaires (in m²) visible at 14° below the horizontal;
- I10 = the intensity (cd) in the direction of an approaching car driver at 10° below the horizontal line of view; and
- L_{rd} = the average road luminance (cd/m²) (Vos 2003).

Moreover, Vos (2003) also proposed a method to measure discomfort glare in interior spaces (see Equation 2.8) using a glare index (GI) that depends on: the luminance and solid angle of the light sources, the luminance of the direct field of view, and the position angle between the light source and the line of sight. Vos (2003) suggested the use of a scale to relate GI values to discomfort levels, where GI = 600 represents intolerable, GI = 150 is uncomfortable, GI = 35 is acceptable and GI = 8 is perceptible.



$$GI_{interior} = \sum_{s} \frac{(L_{s})^{a} \times (\Omega_{s})^{b}}{(L_{f})^{c} \times f_{s}(\theta)}$$
(2.8)

Where,

L_s = the luminance of the light source s;

 Ω_{s} = the solid angle of the light source s;

L_f = the luminance of the direct field of view f;

 $f_s(\theta)$ = an empirical weighting function of the position angle θ between light source and line of sight; and

a, b, and c = empirical best fitting values (Vos 2003).

2.4.2. Disabling Glare Measurement

The most common formula for quantifying disabling glare was a result of many studies done by Holladay, Stiles and later Stiles and Crawford. It is known as the Stiles-Holladay disabling glare formula for a point glare source as shown in Equation 2.9 (Vos 2003; CIE 2002; Mace et al. 2001).

$$L_{eq} = \frac{10 \times E_{glare}}{\theta^2}$$
(2.9)

Where,

- L_{eq} = veiling luminance or equivalent veiling background in cd/m²;
- E_{glare} = illuminance at the observer's eye in lux which is caused by the glare source and it can be calculated using the inverse square law (Equation 2.6); and
- θ = the angle between the line of sight and the glare source in degrees.



The Stiles-Holladay disabling glare formula did not consider the age of the driver and was also limited to angular range of one-degree up to 30-degree (Vos 2003). The International Commission on Illumination - abbreviated as CIE from its French title Commission Internationale de l'Eclairage – set a committee to update Stiles-Holladay equation. The results were three disabling glare equations that are an extension of the classic Stiles-Holladay equation that take into consideration the effect of age and the effect of ocular pigmentation (CIE 2002). The first developed equation is the CIE Age-adjusted Stiles-Holladay Disabling Glare equation, which is the simplest one but has a restricted validity domain of $1^\circ < \theta < 30^\circ$, as shown in Equation 2.10.

$$\left[\frac{L_{\text{veil}}}{E_{\text{glare}}}\right] \text{age} - \text{adjusted} \quad \text{Stiles} - \text{Holladay} = 10 \left[1 + \left(\frac{\text{Age}}{70}\right)^4\right] * \frac{1}{\theta^2}$$
(2.10)

Where,

 L_{veil} = the veiling luminance (in cd/m²);

E_{glare} = illuminance at the observer's eye (in lux);

Age = the age of the observer (in years); and

 θ = the angle between the line of sight and the glare source in degrees.

The second formula is the CIE Small Angle Disabling Glare equation which extends in the lower angular region to the domain of $0.1^{\circ} < \theta < 30^{\circ}$, as shown in Equation 2.11.

$$\left[\frac{\mathsf{L}_{\mathsf{veil}}}{\mathsf{E}_{\mathsf{glare}}}\right] \mathsf{small} - \mathsf{angle} = \frac{10}{\theta^3} + \left[1 + \left(\frac{\mathsf{Age}}{\mathsf{62.5}}\right)^4\right] * \frac{5}{\theta^2}$$
(2.11)



The third is the CIE General Disabling Glare equation which further increases the validity domain to the range of $0.1^{\circ} < \theta < 100^{\circ}$ and is recommended by the CIE to apply in computer calculations (CIE 2002), as shown in Equation 2.12. It should be noted that all three CIE equations consider "Age" (in years) as a factor, while the CIE General Disabling Glare equation is the only one that considers the eye pigmentation factor as shown in Equations 2.10, 2.11 and 2.12 (Vos 2003; CIE 2002).

$$\left[\frac{L_{\text{veil}}}{E_{\text{glare}}}\right] \text{general} = \frac{10}{\theta^3} + \left[1 + \left(\frac{\text{Age}}{62.5}\right)^4\right] * \left[\frac{5}{\theta^2} + 0.1\frac{p}{\theta}\right] + 0.025p$$
(2.12)

Where,

an eye pigmentation factor that ranges from 0 for black eyes, 0.5 for brown eyes, 1 for light blue eyes, and 1.2 for very light eyes which is more effective at glare angles greater than 30°.

Vos (2003) used the CIE Age-adjusted Stiles-Holladay Disabling Glare formula to measure disabling glare in traffic. The study conducted by Vos (2003) considered a traffic situation of two motorbikes approaching each other (see Figure 2.5) to keep only one luminarie on the sight of the driver for simplicity. The contrast of the obstacle in the view of the driver is given by the luminance of the obstacle to the veiling luminance as shown in Equation 2.13. The obstacle luminance and the veiling luminance equations are then substituted in Equation 2.13 to produce Equation 2.15.





Figure 2.5 Traffic Situation with Two Motor Bikes on Approaching Courses (Vos 2003)

$$C = L_{obst} : L_{veil}$$
(2.13)

$$\mathbf{C} = \rho \frac{\mathbf{I}}{\mathbf{D}^2} : \left(10 \frac{\mathbf{I}}{\mathbf{R}^2} \cdot \left[1 + \left\{ \frac{\mathbf{Age}}{\mathbf{70}} \right\}^4 \right] / \theta_{\text{degrees}}^2 \right)$$
(2.14)

$$C = \frac{\rho \cdot ([180 / \pi]d / D)^2}{10[1 + (Age / 70)^4]}$$
(2.15)

Where,

 ρ = the reflection factor of the obstacle;

I = the headlight intensity;

- D = the distance from the driver to the obstacle;
- d = the lateral distance between the two motorbikes.
- R = the mutual distance between the two motorbikes;
- Age = the age of the driver; and
- θ = the glare angle which can also be calculated using Equation 2.16 as follows:

$$\theta_{\text{degrees}} = (180/\pi) \text{ d/R}$$

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(2.16)

A detection distance "D" for the obstacle can be developed from Equation 2.15 as shown in Equation 2.18. Vos (2003) used this equation to illustrate how age influences the distance for detecting an obstacle on the road with the presence of disabling glare. A 25% reflection factor for the obstacle ($\rho = 0.25$) with a minimum contrast of 25% (C = 0.25) and a 5 meters lateral lane distance (d = 5) was assumed. Based on these assumptions, the detection distance "D" can then be calculated using Equation 2.18.

$$D_{detection} = (180 / \pi) d. \sqrt{\frac{\rho}{10C(1 + [Age / 70]^4)}}$$
(2.17)

$$D_{detection} = \frac{90}{\sqrt{(1 + [Age / 70]^4)}}$$
(2.18)

Equation 2.18 shows that the detection distance will be equal to 90 meters for young observers (i.e. 25-year-old), while older observers of 70 and 83 years-old need shorter detection distances of 64 and 52 meters, respectively. Furthermore, Vos (2003) adjusted Equation 2.18 to consider the presence of some extraocular light scatter sources such as a dirty or scratched windshield by doubling the coefficient 10 in the original Stiles-Holladay, as shown in Equation 2.19. This produced shorter detection distances and breaking times as shown in Table 2.5.

$$D_{detection} = \frac{90}{\sqrt{(2 + [Age / 70]^4)}}$$
(2.19)



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	Nominal detection distance (m)	Nominal breaking time (sec)			
Young adults	64	2.3			
70 years old	52	1.9			
83 years old	45	1.6			

Table 2.5 Nominal Detection Distance and Braking Time for a Crossing Pedestrian, While Blinded by an Undipped Approaching Motorbike (Vos 2003)

Another study by Schieber (1998) was conducted to quantify disabling glare from upper and lower beams of daytime running lamps (DRLs) under different lighting conditions ranging from dawn to dusk. This study measured disabling glare using two main steps: (1) calculate the "equivalent veiling luminance" (Lequivalent) based on the illumination that reaches the observer's eye from the light source (Eglare), the angle between the line of sight and the glare source (θ), and the age of the observer using Equation 2.20; and (2) calculate a threshold for disabling glare that was named (Threshold_{elevation}) based on the equivalent veiling luminance (Lequivalent) calculated in the first step and the pavement/background luminance (Lbackground) experienced by the driver, as shown in Equation 2.22. Schieber (1998) reported that significant disabling glare can be experienced by drivers when the threshold value exceeds 2 (i.e., Threshold_{elevation} > 2).

$$L_{\text{equivalent}} = \mathbf{k} * \frac{\mathbf{E}_{\text{glare}}}{\theta^2}$$
(2.20)

Where,

θ = the angle between the glare source and the observer's line of sight (degrees);
 E_{glare} = the illumination caused by the glare source at the eye of the observer (lux) calculated by (Equation 2.6); and



k = a variable dependent on the age of the observer and can be calculated using equation 2.19 (Mace et al. 2001; Schieber 1998).

$$k = 9.05 \left(1 + \left(\frac{\text{Age-of-observer}}{66.4} \right)^4 \right)$$
(2.21)

Threshold _{elevation} =
$$\frac{0.01}{0.01 (L_{background} + L_{equivalent})}$$
(2.22)

Where,

Lbackground	 adaptation or pavement luminance; and
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Lequivalent = equivalent veiling luminance calculated using Equation 2.20.

The Schieber study (1998) was based on four main assumptions: (1) the light intensity value for the DRL to be 7,000 cd according to the Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards and 10,000 cd in case of over voltage problems; (2) viewing distances of 20 m through 100 m; (3) a two-lane road with 3.7 m lane widths; and (4) the adaptation luminance for the driver to be 1 cd/m² for nighttime driving and 50 cd/m² for late twilight/early dawn lighting condition. Based on these assumptions, E_{glare} values were calculated using Equation 2.6 for all possible view points as shown in Tables 2.6 and 2.7. These E_{glare} values were then used to calculate the equivalent veiling luminance (Lequivalent) using Equation 2.20 and the disabling glare threshold (Threshold_{elevation}) using Equation 2.22, as shown in Tables 2.6 and 2.7.



Table 2.6 Lequivalent and Thresholdelevation Estimates of Loss in Visual Sensitivity Due to Luminance Adaptation State (Dark vs. Twilight) for 7,000 cd Daytime Running Lights (Schieber 1998).

Viewing	Glare	Slare E L equivalent			Threshold elevation						
Distance	Angle	L glare		Age			1 cd/r	n²	5	0 cd/r	n²
(m)	(degree)	(IUX)	25	65	75	25	65	75	25	65	75
20.0	8.9	35.0	4.1	7.6	10.4	5.1	8.6	11.4	1.1	1.1	1.2
40.0	4.5	8.7	4.0	7.5	10.3	5.0	8.5	11.3	1.1	1.1	1.2
60.0	3.0	3.9	4.0	7.5	10.2	5.0	8.5	11.2	1.1	1.1	1.2
80.0	2.3	2.2	4.0	7.5	10.2	5.0	8.5	11.2	1.1	1.1	1.2
100.0	1.8	1.4	4.0	7.5	10.3	5.0	8.5	11.3	1.1	1.1	1.2

Table 2.7 Lequivalent and Thresholdelevation Estimates of Loss in Visual Sensitivity Due to Luminance Adaptation State (Dark vs. Twilight) for 10,000 cd Daytime Running Lights (Schieber 1998).

Viewing	Glare	E L equivalent					Threshold elevation				
Distance	Angle	⊏ glare /luv)		Age			1 cd/m	1 ²	5	0 cd/r	n²
(m)	(degree)	(IUX)	25	65	75	25	65	75	25	65	75
20.0	8.9	50	5.8	10.9	14.9	6.8	11.9	15.9	1.1	1.2	1.3
40.0	4.5	12.5	5.7	10.7	14.7	6.7	11.7	15.7	1.1	1.2	1.3
60.0	3.0	5.26	5.7	10.7	14.7	6.7	11.7	15.7	1.1	1.2	1.3
80.0	2.3	3.12	5.7	10.7	14.7	6.7	11.7	15.7	1.1	1.2	1.3
100.0	1.8	2	5.7	10.7	14.7	6.7	11.7	15.7	1.1	1.2	1.3

Schieber (1998) reported that significant disabling glare was experienced by drivers when the threshold value exceeded 2.0. Accordingly, the results in Tables 2.6 and 2.7 illustrate that daylight running lights intensity of 7,000 cd and 10,000 cd represent a potentially significant source of disabling glare to opposite drivers at nighttime driving conditions since the Threshold_{elevation} was found to be greater than 2.0 (Schieber 1998).

Blackwell and Rennilson (2001) proposed an instrument that measure glare contrast factor (GCF) as a glare evaluation meter (GEM). The GCF is calculated using Equation 2.23.



$$GCF = \frac{L}{(L+Lv)}$$
(2.23)

Where,

L = the luminance of the immediate background of the task; and

L_v = the spatially weighted average equivalent luminance.

The study recommends a 0.8 GCF (20% reduction in contrast) or less in order to have adverse impairment (Blackwell and Rennilson 2001). The GEM consists of two identical optical systems where each one has an objective lens, baffles, field lens, photopic filter, silicon detector and are 45 mm separated. The GEM measures the task background, the veiling luminance, and the glare contrast factor (GCF). Figure 2.6 shows a schematic of the GEM and the respective fields of view (Blackwell and Rennilson 2001).



Figure 2.6 Schematic View of the GEM and the Respective Fields of View (Blackwell and Rennilson 2001)



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2.5. Available Standards and Recommendations

The following three sections highlight: (1) existing glare recommendations by several USDOTs; (2) existing glare recommendations by professional organizations; and (3) existing guidelines and hardware for glare control.

2.5.1. US Departments of Transportation

Several US Departments of Transportation have developed recommendations to control glare caused by nighttime highway lighting. This section provides a review of the existing recommendations that were obtained in this literature review from nine states: Virginia, New York, California, Tennessee, Indiana, South Carolina, Delaware, Florida, and Oregon.

2.5.1.1. Virginia

The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) recommends that temporary lighting for night work should be designed so that glare does not interfere with driver's visibility, or create visibility problems for truck drivers, equipment operators, flaggers, or other workers. The adequacy of the floodlight placement and elimination of potential glare shall be determined by driving through and observing the floodlight area from each direction on all approaching roadways after the initial floodlight setup, and periodically during each shift (VDOT 2005). Moreover, the use of screens mounted on the top of temporary traffic barriers should be considered in crossover applications whenever multi-lane traffic is reduced to two-way motor vehicle traffic to reduce headlight glare from oncoming traffic and improve mobility through the crossover (VDOT 2005).



2.5.1.2. New York

The New York Department of Transportation (NYDOT) provides a number of requirements that need to be met to avoid objectionable levels of glare, including (1) all luminaires should be aimed so that the center of the beam axis is not greater than 60 degrees from the vertical; (2) no luminaires that provide luminance intensity greater than 20,000 candelas at an angle 72 degree above the vertical should be permitted; (3) the contractor should be responsible for providing shields, visors, or louvers on luminaires when necessary to reduce objectionable levels of glare (NYDOT 1995).

2.5.1.3. California

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) suggests using glare screens in order to control harmful glare from the opposite traffic. The glare screen should be installed only on barriers where the median is 6.1 m or less. Moreover, Caltrans requires contractors to control glare in nighttime highway construction by directing the light onto the construction area and to avoid shining lights toward residences (California DOT 2001).

2.5.1.4. Tennessee

The Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT) recommends that all luminaries in nighttime highway construction be located and directed in such a way to minimize glare to both motorists and work vehicles. If glare is noted from any travel path, the contractor must adjust the lighting to reduce the glare to an acceptable level to the satisfaction of the Engineer (TDOT 2006).



2.5.1.5. Indiana

The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) recommends the use of glare screens to control objectionable glare in nighttime highway construction. Typical applications of glare screens in construction zones are at crossover transitions and in 2-way, 2-lane operations (INDOT 2006).

2.5.1.6. South Carolina

The South Carolina Department of Transportation (SCDOT) recommends that the contractor furnish, place, and maintain lighting facilities to provide light of sufficient intensity to facilitate good workmanship and proper inspection in all areas where work is being performed during the hours of darkness. SCDOT also recommends that lighting shall be arranged so as not to produce glare or diminish the motorist's visibility (SCDOT 2000).

2.5.1.7. Delaware

The Delaware Department of Transportation (DelDOT) recommends the use of floodlights to light work activities, flagger stations and other restricted or hazardous areas at night when area lighting is not sufficient. DelDOT also requires that floodlights be positioned or shielded to prevent glare to drivers (DelDOT 2001).

2.5.1.8. Florida

The Florida DOT recommends the use of glare screens as a mean for controlling glare. The screen has to be added temporarily to barriers on locations identified on the construction plans.


2.5.1.9. Oregon

The Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) recommends using glare shields suitable for placement on the top of concrete median barrier to block vehicle headlights from blinding on-coming motorists (ODOT 2001). Other USDOT recommend applying screens or barrier walls to shield workers, adjacent properties, and traveling public from objectionable glare. Table 2.8 shows an example of some states that use screens and barriers to avoid glare (Amos 1994).

Table 2.8 Glare Screening Methods Used in Various States (Amos 1994)

State	Screens or Barriers Utilized to Avoid Glare to Motorists.									
California	2 ft high plywood "GAWK" screens mounted on concrete. Barrier walls K-rail used by the contractors for maintenance work.									
Georgia	Plywood paddles on concrete barrier walls for apparent glare problem.									
Illinois	Screens used usually at crossovers and curves.									
lowa	Glare screens to help separate lanes.									
Kansas	Sometimes Jersey barriers are utilized.									
Kentucky	Concrete barrier walls.									
Maine	Concrete barriers on bridge decks.									
Maryland	Modular units consisting of vertical blades mounted on a continuous horizontal base rail.									
Missouri	Concrete barrier walls.									
Nevada	Vertical panels generally used at curves.									
New York	Fabric screens are utilized based on contractor's discretion.									
Oklahoma	Median barrier with blade-type portable modular glare screen									
Rhode Island	24 inches high Modular Guidance System on top of Jersey barrier									

2.5.2. Professional Organizations

A number of professional organizations have developed standards and recommendations to control glare caused by highway and roadway lighting. The



following sections provide a review of the available standards provided by: the Illuminating Engineering Society of North America (IESNA), the International Commission on Illumination (CIE); and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA).

2.5.2.1. IESNA

The Illuminating Engineering Society of North America (IESNA) defines glare as the ratio of the veiling luminance to the pavement luminance based on the assumption that pavement luminance controls the level of driver adaptation (IESNA 2004, Bryden and Mace 2002, IESNA 2000). This ratio should not exceed a maximum allowable limit of 0.4 to minimize the negative impact of glare from roadway lighting on drivers.

2.5.2.2. CIE

The International Commission on Illumination (CIE) adopted three disabling glare equations that are an extension of the classic Stiles-Holladay equation (CIE 2002). The three equations can be used to quantify glare in exterior work and have been previously discussed in this Chapter under Disabling Glare Measurement.

2.5.2.3. FHWA

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) recommends the use of a control device that can be mounted on top of temporary traffic barriers that separate two-way traffic in transition and crossover areas in order to control glare from the headlights of opposing traffic in temporary traffic control zones (FHWA 2003).



2.5.3. Guidelines and Hardware for Controlling Glare

This section provides a review of: (1) available guidelines for controlling glare in nighttime highway construction, and (2) hardware used to control glare in nighttime highway construction.

2.5.3.1. Guidelines for Controlling Glare

A glare control checklist (Table 2.9) was developed by Ellis and Amos (2003) to help minimize glare based on the comparison between non-highway construction activities that are similar in visual requirements to highway construction activities.

Glare Control Factors	Control Recommendations
1- Beam Spread	Select vertical and horizontal beam spreads to minimize light spillage.
	Consider using cutoff luminaries.
2- Mounting Height	Coordinate minimum mounting height with source lumens.
3- Location	Luminaire beam axis crosses normal lines of sight between 45 and 90 degrees.
4- Aiming	Angle between main beam axis and nadir less than 60 degrees.
	Intensity at angles greater than 72 degrees from the vertical less than 20,000 candelas.
5- Supplemental Hardware	Visors, Louvers, Shields, Screens, Barriers

Table 2.9 Glare Guidelines (Ellis and Amos 2003)

Other guidelines that were proposed by Ellis and Amos (2003) to help minimize glare include: (1) luminaires should be positioned so that the axis of maximum candlepower of the luminaires is directed away from the motorists' line of sight; (2) the mounting



height can be determined by using a rule of thumb to minimize glare within the work zone as shown in Figure 2.7. The second rule of thumb attempts to increase the mounting height by maximizing the angle (a) between the horizontal working surface and a line drawn between the center of the luminaire and a point one-third of the work zone width away from the edge of the work zone nearest to the luminaire as shown in Figure 2.7 (Ellis and Amos 1996). It should be noted that this may be in direct conflict with the need to control light trespass. Light towers should be fully extended to their maximum mounting height (Bryden and Mace 2002).



Figure 2.7 Mounting Height of Luminaries in Work Zones (Ellis and Amos 1996)

Ellis and Amos (1996) also suggested that the aiming of the light source should be controlled to ensure that the angle (c) between the center of the luminaire beam spread and the nadir should not exceed 60° as shown in Figure 2.8. The intensity of light at angles greater than 72° from the nadir should be less than 20,000 Candela to reduce discomfort glare as shown in Figure 2.8 (Ellis and Amos 2003; Bryden and Mace 2002; Ellis and Amos 1996).





Figure 2.8 Rules for Aiming Luminaries in Work Zones (Ellis and Amos 1996)

Sanders and McCormick (1993) suggested general recommendations to control two types of glare, direct and reflected. Direct glare recommendations are: (1) select luminaries with low discomfort glare rating; (2) use several low-intensity luminaries instead of a few high-intensity ones; (3) position luminaries far from the line of sight; (4) increase the luminance of the area around any glare source so as to reduce the luminance ratio; and (5) use some hardware tools such as shields, hoods, visors, diffusing lenses, filters, and cross-polarizers. As for reflected glare recommendations: (1) keep the luminance level as low as feasible; (2) provide a good level of general illumination; (3) use diffuse light and/or indirect light; (4) position the light source so the reflected light will not be directed to the observer's eye; and (5) use surfaces that diffuse light and avoid the use of bright metals and glass as much as possible.

2.5.3.2. Hardware for Controlling Glare

Supplemental hardware can be used whenever needed to control glare, especially when the location of lighting equipment is restricted by the physical constraints of the work zone or where sufficient mounting height cannot be obtained. In these cases,



additional hardware such as visors, louvers, shields, screens and barriers can be used to reduce glare. A visor is essentially a piece of aluminum bent to the shape or curve of the fixture to capture excess reflected light and direct it both toward the job site and away from unwanted areas such as traffic and residential areas (Hyari 2004; Ellis et al. 2003; El-Rayes et al. 2003; Greenquist, 2001; Amos 1994).

Glare screens are another hardware measure that can be used to control glare. They are utilized on site in the form of a series of steel paddles that are cemented on the top of temporary traffic barriers, which separate motor vehicle traffic from the work area (MUTCD 2000). Screens are often spaced eight feet apart, facing traffic, to allow police to see past them to respond to emergencies. Glare screens and barriers are used by several states when other glare avoidance measures fail. Louver is a grid type of optical assembly used to control light distribution from a fixture, it usually consists of a series of baffles used to shield a source from view at certain angles or to absorb unwanted light (Kaufman 1981).

A new technology, balloon lights, is now available to help control glare produced by nighttime lighting. Balloon lights have been used in several USDOT such as Illinois, California, Minnesota, and Pennsylvania (Lockwood 2000, Caltrans 2000). Balloon lights are inflated with air or helium with a halogen or metal halide electrical system inside (Lockwood 2000). Figure 2.9 shows some examples of balloon lights used in highway projects. Balloon lights reduce the brightness of the lighting source by



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distributing the luminous flux over a relatively large area, thus reducing the glare to a great extent (Hyari 2004; El-Rayes et al. 2003).



Figure 2.9 Balloon Lights in Highway Projects

2.6. Summary

This chapter discussed the latest research studies on veiling luminance ratio (glare) and its effects on drivers and construction workers during nighttime highway construction work. Despite the important contributions of existing glare studies, there is a pressing need for further research to (1) study and identify practical factors that affect the measurement of glare in and around nighttime work zones; (2) evaluate the levels of lighting glare caused by commonly used lighting equipment in nighttime work zones; (3) investigate the impact of the tested lighting parameters on the lighting performance and glare in and around nighttime work zones; (4) develop a practical model to measure and control glare experienced by motorists driving in adjacent lanes to nighttime highway construction zones; and (5) recommend maximum allowable



level of veiling luminance ratio (glare) that can be tolerated by nighttime motorists. The following Chapters in this report will address these important research needs.



CHAPTER 3 SITE VISITS

In order to identify practical factors that affect the measurement of glare in and around nighttime work zones, five nighttime highway construction sites were visited and studied in Illinois over a five months period that extended from June 19th, 2006 to November 9th, 2006. During these site visits, data was gathered on (1) the type of construction operations that were performed during nighttime hours; (2) the type of lighting equipment used to illuminate the work area for these operations; and (3) the levels of glare that were experienced by workers and motorists in and around these construction sites. The locations of these site visits in a chronological order are: Ottawa, IL (I-80); Ottawa, IL (IL-23); Springfield, IL (I-72); Effingham, IL (I-70); and Champaign, IL (I-74). The following sections in this Chapter present a brief description of the gathered data during each of these five site visits in addition to the main findings of these visits.

3.1. Ottawa, IL (I-80)

This project which is located on I-80 Ottawa, IL was visited on June 19th, 2006. The observed construction operations on that night were paving, compacting, and milling operations in addition to the flagger station. The main types of lighting equipment that were utilized on site included: (1) two balloon lights that were installed on the paving equipment to illuminate the paving operations (see Figure 3.1); (2) existing roller headlights that were used to light up the rolling and compacting operations (see Figure 3.2); (3) existing headlights on the milling equipment to illuminate the flaggers (Figure 9).



3.3). It should be noted that these lights were the only source of lighting in this construction site since there were no street lights available in the work area.



Figure 3.1 Balloon Lights on Paver (I-80)



Figure 3.2 Headlight of Roller (I-80)





Figure 3.3 Marine Light (I-80)

In order to gather data on the levels of glare (veiling luminance ratio) experienced by drive-by motorists and caused by the roller equipment headlights (see Figure 3.2), measurements were performed on-site for (1) the vertical illuminance caused by the roller headlights; (2) the average pavement luminance experienced by motorists; (3) the vertical and horizontal distances between each observer position and the location of light sources; and (4) the lane width of the road. First, the vertical illuminance caused by the roller headlights was measured using an illuminance meter (see Figure 3.4) at different observer/driver positions. These measurements were taken using a light meter sensor that was placed to measure vertical illuminance at a height of 1.45 m to simulate the observing height and eye orientation of drive-by motorists. The locations of these vertical illuminance measurements were recorded at a lateral distance of 3.5 m from the center of the roller headlights as shown in Figure 3.5 and Table 3.1.



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Figure 3.4 Illuminance Meter

Table 3.1 Veiling Luminance Ratio Experier	nced by Motorists from Roller Headlights
Ottawa, II	_ (I-80)

Vertical	Observer Position			Veiling	Average Pavement	Veiling Luminance
Illuminance	X-co	Y-Co	Z-Co	Luminance	Luminance	Ratio
1	-3.5	-83	1.45	3.16	0.98	3.21
2	-3.5	-45.8	1.45	2.69	0.98	2.74
5	-3.5	-30.5	1.45	3.48	0.98	3.55
15	-3.5	-15.2	1.45	2.92	0.98	2.97



Figure 3.5 Roller and Observer Location in the Work Zone (I-80)



Second, the average pavement luminance experienced by motorists was measured using a luminance meter (see Figure 3.6). For each driver/observer position, a set of pavement luminance readings were recorded and then averaged out to calculate the average pavement luminance experienced by the driver at the considered observation point, as shown in Figure 3.5. Third, the vertical and horizontal distances between each observer position and the location of light sources were measured on site using a laser distance meter and wheel meter as shown in Figure 3.7. Fourth, the lane width was measured using a laser distance meter and wheel meter and wheel meter as shown in Figure 3.7.

The above recorded measurements of vertical illuminance, pavement luminance and distances were used to calculate the veiling luminance ratio experienced by motorists using Equations 3.1 to 3.4. These measurements and calculations are summarized in Table 3.1.

$$V = \frac{VL}{PL_{avg}}$$
(3.1)

$$VL = \frac{10^* VE}{\theta^n} \tag{3.2}$$

 $n = 2.3 - 0.7 * \log_{10}(\theta)$ For $\theta < 2^{\circ}$ (3.3)

n = 2 For $\theta > 2^{\circ}$ (3.4)

Where,

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V	= Veiling Luminance ratio at observer position;
VL	= Veiling Luminance from the light source (in cd/m ²);
PL_{avg}	= Average of pavement luminance for the motorist (in cd/m ²)

- VE = Vertical illuminance measured using an illuminance meter at the plane of the observer's eye (in lux); and
- e the angle between the line of sight at observer's location and the line
 connecting the observer's eye and luminaire.



Figure 3.6 Luminance Meter



Figure 3.7 Laser Meter and Wheel Meter

3.2. Ottawa, IL (IL-23)

This nighttime highway construction project was visited which was located on IL-23 Ottawa, IL on June 29th, 2006. The observed construction operations on that night were paving, compacting, and milling operations in addition to the flagger station. The



main types of lighting equipment that were utilized on site included: (1) two balloon lights that were installed on the paving equipment to illuminate the paving operations (see Figure 3.8); (2) existing roller headlights that were used to light up the rolling and compacting operations; (3) existing headlights on the milling equipment to illuminate the milling operations; and (4) one "marine" light that was used to illuminate the flagger. It should be noted that there were street lights available in the work area (see Figure 3.9) that contributed to the lighting conditions in this construction site.



Figure 3.8 Balloon Lights on Paver (IL-23)





Figure 3.9 Street Lights (IL-23)

The research performed on-site measurements to calculate the levels of glare (veiling luminance ratio) experienced by drive-by motorists and caused by the two balloon lights that were installed on the paving equipment (see Figure 3.8). The gathered site measurements included (1) the vertical illuminance caused by the balloon lights; (2) the average pavement luminance experienced by motorists; (3) the vertical and horizontal distances between each observer position and the location of light sources; and (4) the lane width of the road. First, the vertical illuminance caused by the balloon lights was measured using an illuminance meter (see Figure 3.4) at different observer/driver positions. These measurements were taken using a light meter sensor that was placed to measure vertical illuminance at a height of 1.45 m and at a lateral distance of 1.8 m from the balloon lights and at longitudinal distances that ranged from 2 m to 19 m from the balloon lights as shown in Figure 3.10 and Table 3.2.





Figure 3.10 Balloon Lights and Observer Locations (IL-23)

Table 3.2 Veiling Luminance Ratio Experienced by Motorists from Balloon Light	s
Ottawa, IL (IL-23)	

Vertical	Obser	rver Po	sition	Balloon # 1			Balloon # 2			Veiling	Average Pavement	Veiling
Illuminance	X-co	Y-Co	Z-Co	X-Co	Y-Co	Z-Co	X-Co	Y-Co	Z-Co	Luminance	Luminance	Luminance Ratio
51	-5	0	1.45	-3.2	2	4.25	0	2	4.25	0.14	2.35	0.06
58	-5	0	1.45	-3.2	4	4.25	0	4	4.25	0.26	2.35	0.11
49	-5	0	1.45	-3.2	6	4.25	0	6	4.25	0.35	2.35	0.15
44	-5	0	1.45	-3.2	10	4.25	0	10	4.25	0.59	2.35	0.25
38	-5	0	1.45	-3.2	19	4.25	0	19	4.25	1.17	2.35	0.50

Second, the average pavement luminance experienced by motorists was measured using a luminance meter that was used to record a set of pavement luminance readings for each driver/observer position and then average out these readings to calculate the average pavement luminance experienced by the driver, as shown in Figure 3.10. Third, the vertical and horizontal distances between each observer position and the location of light sources were measured on site using a laser distance



meter and wheel meter. Fourth, the lane width was measured using a laser distance meter and wheel meter.

The above recorded measurements of vertical illuminance, average pavement luminance and distances were used to calculate the veiling luminance ratio experienced by motorists using Equations 3.1 to 3.4. These measurements and calculations are summarized in Table 3.2.

3.3. Springfield, IL (I-72)

This project was visited on August 28th, 2006 and was located on highway I-72 Springfield, IL. The observed construction operations on that day were patching operations (see Figure 3.11) and the flagger station. The main types of lighting equipment that were utilized on site included: (1) light tower to illuminate the flagger station (see Figure 3.12); and (2) existing headlights that were used to light up the patching operations. It should be noted that these lights were the only source of lighting in this construction site since there were no street lights available in the work area.





Figure 3.11 Patching Operations (I-72)





Figure 3.12 Light Tower to Illuminate Flagger Station (I-72)

The levels of glare (veiling luminance ratio) was calculated which was caused by a light tower and used to illuminate the flagger station (see Figure 3.12) and experienced by workers based on the following on-site measurements (1) the vertical illuminance caused by the light tower; (2) the average pavement luminance experienced by workers; and (3) the vertical and horizontal distances between each



worker/observer position and the location of light sources. First, the vertical illuminance caused by the light tower was measured using an illuminance meter at different observer positions. These measurements were taken using a light meter sensor that was placed to measure vertical illuminance at a height of 1.7 m to simulate an average observing height and eye orientation of a standing worker. The locations of these vertical illuminance measurements were recorded at a lateral distance of 1 m from the center of the light tower and at longitudinal distances that ranged from 1 m to 85 m from the light tower as shown in Figure 3.13 and Table 3.3.



Figure 3.13 Observer and Light Tower Locations (I-72)



Vertical	Obser	ver Po	sition	Lig	ht Tov	ver	Veiling	Average	Veiling
Illuminance	X-co	Y-Co	Z-Co	X-Co	Y-Co	Z-Co	Luminance	Luminance	Luminance Ratio
11	-1	0	1.7	0	0	4.1	0.01	4.00	0.00
1345	-1	-3.05	1.7	0	0	4.1	7.80	4.00	1.95
882	-1	-6.1	1.7	0	0	4.1	15.10	4.00	3.78
484	-1	-9.15	1.7	0	0	4.1	16.85	4.00	4.21
301	-1	-12.2	1.7	0	0	4.1	17.50	4.00	4.38
161	-1	-15.3	1.7	0	0	4.1	13.92	4.00	3.48
140	-1	-18.3	1.7	0	0	4.1	16.60	4.00	4.15
108	-1	-21.4	1.7	0	0	4.1	16.65	4.00	4.16
86	-1	-24.4	1.7	0	0	4.1	16.70	4.00	4.18
75	-1	-27.5	1.7	0	0	4.1	17.78	4.00	4.45
69	-1	-30.5	1.7	0	0	4.1	19.31	4.00	4.83
61	-1	-33.6	1.7	0	0	4.1	20.04	4.00	5.01
51	-1	-36.6	1.7	0	0	4.1	18.96	4.00	4.74
37	-1	-39.7	1.7	0	0	4.1	15.52	4.00	3.88
28	-1	-42.7	1.7	0	0	4.1	13.29	4.00	3.32
24	-1	-45.8	1.7	0	0	4.1	12.46	4.00	3.12
22	-1	-48.8	1.7	0	0	4.1	12.46	4.00	3.11
18	-1	-51.9	1.7	0	0	4.1	11.56	4.00	2.89
16	-1	-54.9	1.7	0	0	4.1	11.06	4.00	2.76
15	-1	-58	1.7	0	0	4.1	11.13	4.00	2.78
13	-1	-61	1.7	0	0	4.1	10.24	4.00	2.56
12	-1	-64.1	1.7	0	0	4.1	10.02	4.00	2.51
11	-1	-67.1	1.7	0	0	4.1	9.69	4.00	2.42
9	-1	-70.2	1.7	0	0	4.1	8.22	4.00	2.05
8	-1	-73.2	1.7	0	0	4.1	7.60	4.00	1.90
6	-1	-76.3	1.7	0	0	4.1	6.86	4.00	1.71
6	-1	-79.3	1.7	0	0	4.1	7.20	4.00	1.80
5	-1	-82.4	1.7	0	0	4.1	6.29	4.00	1.57
4	-1	-85.4	1.7	0	0	4.1	5.26	4.00	1.31

Table 3.3 Veiling Luminance Ratio Experienced by Workers from Light Tower (I-72)

Second, the average pavement luminance experienced by workers was measured using a luminance meter (see Figure 3.6). For each observer position, a set of pavement luminance readings were recorded and then averaged out to calculate the average pavement luminance experienced by the worker who needs to visualize the pavement during the construction work, as shown in Figure 3.13. Third, the vertical and horizontal distances between each observer position and the location of light sources were measured on site using a laser distance meter and wheel meter. The recoded measurements of vertical illuminance, pavement luminance and distances were used to calculate the veiling luminance ratio experienced by workers using Equations 3.1 to 3.4. These measurements and calculations are summarized in Table 3.3.



3.4. Effingham, IL (I-70)

This nighttime highway construction project was also been visited on September 21st, 2006 and was located on highway I-70 Effingham, IL. The observed construction operation on that day was milling, tack coat, and brushing operations (see Figure 3.14) in addition to the flagger station (see Figure 3.15). The main type of lighting equipment that was utilized on site is balloon lights. The contractor specified a balloon light has to be installed on all moving construction equipment. It should be noted that these lights were the only source of lighting in this construction site since there were no street lights available in the work area.



Figure 3.14 Brushing Operation (I-70)





Figure 3.15 Balloon Light to Illuminate Flagger (I-70)

In order to gather data on the levels of glare (veiling luminance ratio) experienced by drive-by motorists and caused by the balloon light that was used to illuminate the flagger station (see Figure 3.15), the measurements were performed on-site of (1) the vertical illuminance caused by the balloon light; (2) the average pavement luminance experienced by motorists; and (3) the vertical and horizontal distances between each observer position and the location of light sources. First, the vertical illuminance caused by the balloon light was measured using an illuminance meter at different observer/driver positions. These measurements were taken using a light meter sensor that was placed to measure vertical illuminance at a height of 1.45 m to simulate the observing height and eye orientation of drive-by motorists. The locations of these vertical illuminance measurements were recorded at a lateral distance of 5 m from the balloon light as shown in Figure 3.16 and Table 3.4. The longitudinal distances as well as the lateral distance of 5 m were imposed by site constraints that limited the



movements and measurements within the safe zone away from the nearby traffic, as shown in Figure 3.16.



Figure 3.16 Observer and Balloon Light Locations (I-70)



Vertical	Obser	ver Po	sition	Bal	loon L	ight	Veiling	Average Pavement	Veiling
Illuminance	X-co	Y-Co	Z-Co	X-Co	Y-Co	Z-Co	Luminance	Luminance	Luminance Ratio
10.0	5	0	1.45	0	0	3.1	0.01	0.50	0.02
22.0	5	-1.53	1.45	0	0	3.1	0.04	0.50	0.08
29.0	5	-3.05	1.45	0	0	3.1	0.09	0.50	0.17
29.0	5	-4.58	1.45	0	0	3.1	0.13	0.50	0.26
24.0	5	-6.1	1.45	0	0	3.1	0.16	0.50	0.32
20.0	5	-7.63	1.45	0	0	3.1	0.18	0.50	0.37
15.0	5	-9.15	1.45	0	0	3.1	0.19	0.50	0.37
13.0	5	-10.7	1.45	0	0	3.1	0.21	0.50	0.42
11.0	5	-12.2	1.45	0	0	3.1	0.23	0.50	0.45
10.0	5	-13.7	1.45	0	0	3.1	0.25	0.50	0.51
8.0	5	-15.3	1.45	0	0	3.1	0.25	0.50	0.49
7.0	5	-16.8	1.45	0	0	3.1	0.26	0.50	0.51
5.0	5	-18.3	1.45	0	0	3.1	0.21	0.50	0.43

Table 3.4 Glare Measurements from Balloon Lights (I-70)

Second, the average pavement luminance experienced by motorists was measured using a luminance meter (see Figure 3.6). For each driver/observer position, a set of pavement luminance readings were recorded and then averaged out to calculate the average pavement luminance experienced by the driver at the considered observation point, as shown in Figure 3.16. Third, the vertical and horizontal distances between each observer position and the location of light sources were measured on site using a laser distance meter and wheel meter. The recorded measurements of vertical illuminance, average pavement luminance and distances were used to calculate the veiling luminance ratio experienced by motorists using Equations 3.1 to 3.4. These measurements and calculations are summarized in Table 3.4. It should be noted that the veiling luminance ratios shown in Table 3.4 are not the same as those experienced by motorists since they were measured at a 5 m lateral distance from the light source (see Figure 3.16) due to the earlier described site constraints. The actual veiling luminance ratios experienced by drive-by motorists are expected to be less



than those taken at a 5 m lateral distance since the motorists are located at a 6 m lateral distance from the light source as shown in Figure 3.16.

3.5. Champaign, IL (I-74)

This project which was located on highway I-74 Champaign, IL (see Figure 3.17) was visited on August 22nd, August 29th; August 31st; September 19th; and November 9th, 2006. The observed construction operations were milling, hammering, brushing, paving, marking, and girders assembling operations in addition to the flagger station. The main types of lighting equipment that were utilized on site included: (1) one balloon light that was installed on the paving equipment to illuminate the paving operations (see Figure 3.18); (2) existing roller headlights that were used to light up the rolling and compacting operations (see Figure 3.19); (3) existing headlights on the milling equipment to illuminate the milling operations; and (4) light tower that was used to illuminate the flagger (see Figure 3.20). It should be noted that there were street lights available in the work area that contributed to the lights in this construction site.



Figure 3.17 I-74 Highway Project Location





Figure 3.18 Balloon Light on Paver (I-74)



Figure 3.19 Headlights for Roller (I-74)





Figure 3.20 Light Tower to Illuminate Flagger Station (I-74)

In order to evaluate the levels of glare experienced by drive-by motorists in this project, measurements and calculations were performed for the veiling luminance ratio that was caused by two main types of light equipment that were utilized on this project: (1) light tower; and (2) balloon light. The following two subsections summarize the performed measurements and veiling luminance computations for these two types of equipment.

3.5.1. Veiling Luminance Ratio from Light Tower

The needed calculations were performed for the levels of glare (veiling luminance ratio) experienced by drive-by motorists and caused by the light tower that was used to illuminate the girder assembling operations on November 9th (see Figure 3.21) based on the following on-site measurements (1) the vertical illuminance caused by the light tower; (2) the average pavement luminance experienced by motorists; and (3)



the vertical and horizontal distances between each observer position and the location of light sources. First, the vertical illuminance caused by the light tower was measured using an illuminance meter at different observer/driver positions. These measurements were taken using a light meter sensor that was placed to measure vertical illuminance at a height of 1.45 m to simulate the observing height and eye orientation of drive-by motorists. The locations of these vertical illuminance measurements were recorded at a lateral distance of 13 m from the light tower and at longitudinal distances that ranged from 1 m to 75 m from the light tower as shown in Figure 3.22.



Figure 3.21 Measurement Points (I-74)



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Figure 3.22 Observer Positions and Light Tower Locations (I-74)

Second, the average pavement luminance experienced by motorists was calculated for each driver/observer position by averaging out a set of pavement luminance readings that were measured using a luminance meter. Third, the vertical and horizontal distances between each observer position and the location of light sources were measured on site using a laser distance meter and wheel meter. The recoded measurements of vertical illuminance, average pavement luminance and distances were used to calculate the veiling luminance ratio experienced by motorists using Equations 3.1 to 3.4. The results of the veiling luminance ratio for the observer for the three used alternatives of the pavement luminance measurements and calculations are shown in Table 3.5.



Vertical	Obse	erver Po	sition	Lig	ght Tov	ver	Veiling	Pavement	Veiling
Illuminance	X-co	Y-Co	Z-Co	X-Co	Y-Co	Z-Co	Luminance	Luminance	Luminance Ratio
14.5	13	-3.00	1.45	0	0	4.1	0.02	1.42	0.02
29.4	13	-6.00	1.45	0	0	4.1	0.07	1.42	0.05
60.4	13	-9.00	1.45	0	0	4.1	0.19	1.42	0.14
78.1	13	-12.00	1.45	0	0	4.1	0.34	1.42	0.24
82	13	-15.00	1.45	0	0	4.1	0.47	1.42	0.33
88.1	13	-18.00	1.45	0	0	4.1	0.66	1.42	0.46
90	13	-21.00	1.45	0	0	4.1	0.85	1.42	0.60
86	13	-24.00	1.45	0	0	4.1	1.01	1.42	0.71
87	13	-27.00	1.45	0	0	4.1	1.25	1.42	0.88
78	13	-30.00	1.45	0	0	4.1	1.35	1.42	0.95
70	13	-33.00	1.45	0	0	4.1	1.43	1.42	1.01
65	13	-36.00	1.45	0	0	4.1	1.55	1.42	1.09
57	13	-39.00	1.45	0	0	4.1	1.58	1.42	1.11
50.5	13	-42.00	1.45	0	0	4.1	1.60	1.42	1.13
44	13	-45.00	1.45	0	0	4.1	1.59	1.42	1.12
41.5	13	-48.00	1.45	0	0	4.1	1.69	1.42	1.19
33	13	-51.00	1.45	0	0	4.1	1.50	1.42	1.06
29	13	-54.00	1.45	0	0	4.1	1.47	1.42	1.04
26.5	13	-57.00	1.45	0	0	4.1	1.49	1.42	1.05
24.4	13	-60.00	1.45	0	0	4.1	1.51	1.42	1.06
21.8	13	-63.00	1.45	0	0	4.1	1.48	1.42	1.04
18	13	-66.00	1.45	0	0	4.1	1.34	1.42	0.94
16	13	-69.00	1.45	0	0	4.1	1.29	1.42	0.91
13.5	13	-72.00	1.45	0	0	4.1	1.18	1.42	0.83

Table 3.5 Glare Measurements from Light Tower (I-74)

3.5.2. Veiling Luminance Ratio from Balloon Light

In order to gather data on the levels of glare (veiling luminance ratio) experienced by drive-by motorists and caused by the balloon light that was used to illuminate the paving operations on September 19th, 2006 (see Figure 3.18), on-site measurements were performed of (1) the vertical illuminance caused by the balloon light; (2) the average pavement luminance experienced by motorists; (3) the vertical and horizontal distances between each observer position and the location of light sources; and (4) the lane width of the road. First, the vertical illuminance caused by the balloon light was measured using an illuminance meter was placed to measure vertical illuminance at a height of 1.45 m to simulate the observing height and eye orientation of drive-by motorists. The locations of these vertical illuminance measurements were recorded at



a lateral distance of 1.83 m from the light tower and at longitudinal distances that ranged from 1 m to 18 m from the balloon light as shown in Figure 3.23. The lateral distance of 1.83 m was imposed by the physical barriers on the right edge of the road that limited the movement and the recording of measurements as shown in Figure 3.23.



Figure 3.23 Observer and Balloon Light Locations (I-74)

Second, the average pavement luminance experienced by motorists was measured using a luminance meter (see Figure 3.6). For each driver/observer position, a set of pavement luminance readings were recorded and then averaged out to calculate the average pavement luminance experienced by the driver at the considered observation point, as shown in Figure 3.23. Third, the vertical and horizontal distances between



each observer position and the location of light sources were measured on site using a laser distance meter and wheel meter as shown in Figure 3.7. Fourth, the lane width was measured using a laser distance meter and wheel meter as shown in Figure 3.7.

The above recorded measurements of vertical illuminance, average pavement luminance and distances were used to calculate the veiling luminance ratio experienced by motorists using Equations 3.1 to 3.4. These measurements and calculations are summarized in Table 3.6. It should be noted that the veiling luminance ratios shown in Table 3.6 are not the same as those experienced by motorists since they were measured at a 1.83 m lateral distance from the light source (see Figure 3.23) due to the earlier described site constraints. The actual veiling luminance ratios experienced by drive-by motorists are expected to be less than those taken at a 1.83 m lateral distance from the light source from the light source from the light source from the light source from the light at a 1.83 m lateral distance from the light source from the light at a 1.83 m lateral distance from the light source from the light at a 1.83 m lateral distance from the light source from the light at a 1.83 m lateral distance from the light source from the light at a 1.83 m lateral distance from the light source from the light at a 1.83 m lateral distance from the light at a 1.83 m lateral distance from the light at a 1.83 m lateral distance from the light at a 1.83 m lateral distance from the light source as shown in Figure 3.23.



Vertical	Obse	rver Po	sition	Bal	loon L	ight	Veiling	Average Pavement	Veiling
Illuminance	X-co	Y-Co	Z-Co	X-Co	Y-Co	Z-Co	Luminance	Luminance	Luminance Ratio
17.0	-1.83	0	1.45	0	0	4.5	0.02	1.00	0.02
27.0	-1.83	-0.92	1.45	0	0	4.5	0.05	1.00	0.05
73.0	-1.83	-1.83	1.45	0	0	4.5	0.18	1.00	0.18
93.0	-1.83	-2.75	1.45	0	0	4.5	0.33	1.00	0.33
102.0	-1.83	-3.66	1.45	0	0	4.5	0.50	1.00	0.50
104.0	-1.83	-4.58	1.45	0	0	4.5	0.69	1.00	0.69
99.0	-1.83	-5.49	1.45	0	0	4.5	0.87	1.00	0.87
88.0	-1.83	-6.41	1.45	0	0	4.5	0.98	1.00	0.98
75.0	-1.83	-7.32	1.45	0	0	4.5	1.05	1.00	1.05
66.0	-1.83	-8.24	1.45	0	0	4.5	1.12	1.00	1.12
56.0	-1.83	-9.15	1.45	0	0	4.5	1.15	1.00	1.15
51.0	-1.83	-10.1	1.45	0	0	4.5	1.23	1.00	1.23
43.0	-1.83	-11	1.45	0	0	4.5	1.21	1.00	1.21
37.0	-1.83	-11.9	1.45	0	0	4.5	1.21	1.00	1.21
32.0	-1.83	-12.8	1.45	0	0	4.5	1.19	1.00	1.19
28.0	-1.83	-13.7	1.45	0	0	4.5	1.18	1.00	1.18
22.0	-1.83	-14.6	1.45	0	0	4.5	1.04	1.00	1.04
22.0	-1.83	-15.6	1.45	0	0	4.5	1.16	1.00	1.16
19.0	-1.83	-16.5	1.45	0	0	4.5	1.11	1.00	1.11
18.0	-1.83	-17.4	1.45	0	0	4.5	1.16	1.00	1.16
17.0	-1.83	-18.3	1.45	0	0	4.5	1.21	1.00	1.21

Table 3.6 Glare Measurements from Balloon Lights (I-74)

3.6. Main Findings

Several construction operations were observed during the aforementioned site visits. The observed construction operations included milling, paving, compacting, patching, hammering, and girder assembling in addition to the flagger station. The types of lighting equipment that were utilized on these sites included light towers, balloon lights, marine lights, and existing headlights of construction equipment such as roller and milling equipment. Table 3.7 summarizes the observed construction operations and the typical lighting equipment used in each observed operation.



Construction Operation	Lighting Equipment Used	Examples
1. Paving	One or two balloon lights installed on pavers in addition to the existing headlights of the paver.	Two Balloon Lights
		One Balloon Light
2. Compacting	Existing Headlight of Roller.	Headlights of Paver
		Headlights of Paver
3. Milling	Existing Headlight of milling equipment.	Existing Lights on Milling Equipment

Table 3.7 Typical Lighting Equipment for the Observed Construction Operations



l able 3.7 (cont.)		
4. Patching	Light Tower.	Light Tower
5. Brushing	Balloon Light and existing Headlights.	Balloon Light on Brushing Equipment
6. Flagger	Light Tower, Balloon Light, and Marine light.	Balloon Light
		Marine Light
		Light Tower


	Table 3.7 (co	nt.)
7. Hammering	Resident engineer vehicle headlight	Vehicle Headlight
		Vehicle Headlight

In addition to studying the aforementioned construction operations and lighting equipment during the site visits, a number of practical factors that affect the measurement and quantification of glare in nighttime construction sites were investigated and identified. These identified practical factors include:

1. The measurement of vertical illuminance and pavement luminance are essential to accurately calculate the veiling luminance ratio (glare) in and around construction sites. The locations that these measurements can be taken on site are often constrained by safety considerations and site layout barriers. For example, the locations of these measurements were constrained in the I-70 construction site to a maximum lateral distance of 5 m from the light source compared to a 6 m lateral distance for drive-by motorists due to safety considerations as the recording of measurements was limited to the safe zone



outlined by the drums away from the traffic as shown in Figure 3.16. Similarly for the balloon light in the I-74 construction site, the measurement locations were constrained to a maximum lateral distance of 1.83 m from the light source compared to a 3.75 m lateral distance for drive-by motorists due to physical barriers on the right edge of the road as shown in Figure 3.23. In other construction sites (e.g., I-80, IL-23 and the light tower in I-74), static measurements were safely been taken which accurately resembles the locations of drive-by motorists as shown in Figures 3.5, 3.10, and 3.22. Accordingly, the planned practical model for measuring and quantifying glare should be flexible to enable resident engineers to take their measurements if they can stand in safe locations in the work zone that accurately resembles the critical locations of drive-by motorists where the maximum glare levels are expected to occur.

2. There is a wide variety of lighting equipment and setups that can be used on construction sites which can lead to significant variations in the levels of glare caused by these lights. Accordingly, there is a need for a practical model to measure and quantify the level of glare caused by construction lights regardless of the type of lights used on site. For example, the use of low-glare light sources such as balloon lights can contribute to the reduction of glare however it does not guarantee that the intensity and type of utilized lights do not cause glare conditions that exceed the acceptable limits in and around the construction site. The next Chapter will discuss in more details the field tests



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conducted to study and evaluate the levels of lighting glare caused by commonly used lighting equipment in nighttime work zones.

3. Contractors and resident engineers need a practical model that can be easily utilized on site to quantify and measure glare. Such a model needs also to be accurate to ensure the reliability of the assessment of glare conditions in and around nighttime construction sites. The next Chapters discuss the results of the field experiments conducted in this research, the evaluation of performance of nighttime lighting arrangements, recommendations to reduce glare, and tradeoffs between practicality and accuracy and their impact on the development of the developed model for quantifying glare.



CHAPTER 4 FIELD EXPERIMENTS

This Chapter presents the results of field experiments conducted to study and evaluate the levels of lighting glare caused by commonly used lighting equipment in nighttime work zones. The experiments were conducted over a period of 33 days from May 10, 2007 to June 12, 2007 at the Illinois Center for Transportation (ICT) in the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. The objectives of these experiments are to: (1) analyze and compare the lighting performance and levels of glare generated by commonly used lighting arrangements in nighttime highway construction; and (2) provide practical recommendations for lighting arrangements to reduce lighting glare in and around nighttime work zones. The practical recommendations of reducing lighting glare is explained in more details in Chapters 5 while this chapter discusses (a) site preparation for the field experiments; (b) utilized equipment in the tests; (c) measurement and calculation procedures for the veiling luminance ratio (glare); (d) measurement and calculation procedures for the horizontal illuminance and lighting uniformity ratio; and (e) glare and lighting performance of the tested lighting arrangements.

4.1. Site Preparation

The field experiments were conducted at the Illinois Center for Transportation (ICT) at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign which is located in Rantoul, Illinois. The location of the experiments was selected in a segment of street not equipped with any type of street lighting (see Figure 4.1 and 4.2). A length of 405 m of the two-lane street was closed to traffic from both directions to safely simulate the lighting in the work



zone and the measurement of lighting glare. The two lanes were used to simulate (1) a nighttime work zone in the right lane to enable the positioning and testing of various types of lighting arrangements; and (2) an open lane for the traveling public in the left lane to measure glare that would be experienced by drive-by motorists, as show in Figure 4.3. Each work zone layout was divided into a grid of equally spaced points of 5 m. The grid was marked by construction cones on the pavement surface to enable a uniform pattern of the measurements in order to facilitate the calculation of the veiling luminance and lighting uniformity ratios.



Figure 4.1 Site of Field Experiments Before Sunset





Figure 4.2 Site of Field Experiments After Sunset



Figure 4.3 Simulated Construction Zone

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4.2. Utilized Equipment

The field experiments evaluated the performance of three types of lighting equipment (balloon lights from Accenting Images Inc., Nite Lite from Protection Services Inc., and one rented adjustable light tower) and utilized four types of measurement equipment (illuminance meter, luminance meter, distance measurement meters, and angle locators). The following sections provide a brief description of each of these lighting and measurement equipment:

4.2.1. Balloon Lights

Three balloon lights were utilized in the field experiments. Each balloon light contains two 1000-watt halogen bulbs with a maximum light output of 54,000 Lumens and the capability to illuminate up to 500m². The balloon light weighs 8 kg and is 1.1 m in diameter and it inflates with an internal fan. Each balloon light comes with a 5.8 m stand that was used to simulate and test the typical heights that were encountered during the site visits to a number of highway construction zones, as shown in Figure 4.4.





Figure 4.4 Balloon Lights

4.2.2. Nite Lite

The Nite Lite is a portable construction light with a 400 watt Metal Halide lamp in a dome shape that is coated with a light diffusing compound, as shown in Figure 4.5. The light weighs 11.8 kg with a diameter of 0.635 m and it stores securely in its custom foam padded carry/storage case. Moreover, Nite Lite draws 4 amps at 120 volts AC, and comes standard with a 7.3 m grounded plug. Light output is rated at 42,000 Lumens which can illuminate an area of 1,395 m².





Figure 4.5 Nite Lite

4.2.3. Light Tower

One light tower was utilized in this experiment. The light tower is equipped with four 1000-watt metal halide luminaries, as shown in Figure 4.6. Aiming and rotation angles of all luminaries are adjustable in all directions, and mounting height of luminaries can be extended up to 8.5 m.





Figure 4.6 Light Tower

4.2.4. Illuminance Meter

An illuminance meter which helps in calculating the veiling luminance ratio (glare) was used to measure the vertical illuminance that reaches the observer's eyes. The illuminance meter was also used to measure the horizontal illuminance of the work area to enable the calculation of the lighting uniformity ratio in the construction zone. The meter shown in Figure 4.7 has a range of illuminance measurements from 0.01 to 20,000 lux and it has the capability to measure illuminance in both lux or foot candles units.





Figure 4.7 Utilized Illuminance Meter

4.2.5. Luminance Meter

To facilitate the evaluation and computation of the veiling luminance ratio (glare) during the field tests, a Minolta LS-110 luminance meter was used to measure the pavement luminance. This meter can measure luminance levels from 0.001 to $299,900 \text{ cd/m}^2$ and has a one-degree acceptance angle, as shown in Figure 4.8.



Figure 4.8 Utilized Luminance Meter

4.2.6. Distance Measurement Meters

The laser and wheel meters were used to measure the vertical and horizontal distances, as shown in Figure 4.9. These meters were used to (1) locate and position the construction cones on the grid as well as the lighting equipment inside the



simulated construction zone; and (2) measure the heights of the light sources and the observer's eye as shown in Figure 4.10.



Figure 4.9 Laser Meter and Wheel Meter



Figure 4.10 Distance Measurements



4.2.7. Angle Locator

A digital angle locator was used in the experiments to measure and identify the aiming angles for the luminaires in the light tower. The digital angle locator shown in Figure 4.11 is capable of measuring the angle of any surface from the horizontal plane. The rotation angles of the light tower on the other hand were measured by attaching another radial angle locator to the light tower pole as shown in Figure 4.12.



Figure 4.11 Angle Locator Used to Measure Aiming Angles





Figure 4.12 Angle Locator Used to Measure Rotation Angles

4.3. Veiling Luminance Ratio (Glare) Measurements Procedure

The measurement and calculation of the veiling luminance ratio (glare) was based on the recommendation provided by the Illuminating Engineering Society of North America (IESNA 2004) for isolated traffic conflict areas (partial or non-continuous intersection lighting) due to the similarity between the lighting conditions in these areas and those encountered in nighttime highway construction zones. The IESNA recommends that test points for the veiling luminance be along two quarter lane lines in all lanes in the chosen direction. Moreover, the area for glare measurements should extend from one mounting height of the light pole in front of the light to 45 m before that point and the grid increment should be 5 m, as shown in Figure 4.13.





Figure 4.13 Veiling Luminance Grid Location

Based on the aforementioned IESNA recommendations, the measurement and calculation of the veiling luminance ratio was performed using the following four steps: (1) veiling luminance measurements and calculations; (2) pavement luminance measurements and calculations; (3) veiling luminance ratio calculations; and (4) spread sheet implementation.

4.3.1. Step 1: Veiling Luminance Measurements and Calculations

The locations for measuring and calculating the veiling luminance were selected in compliance with the IESNA/ANSI RP-8-00 recommendations as shown in Figure 4.13. Accordingly, the vertical illuminance (VE) was measured using an illuminance meter at each location on the grid for both lines of sight. These measurements were taken from inside the car to simulate the vertical illuminance experienced by nighttime drivers passing by the construction zone, as shown in Figure 4.14. The first measurement for the first line of sight was taken at point 1 (see Figure 4.13) and then the car was moved 5 m along the first line of sight and the next reading was taken until the end of the grid. Upon the completion of measurements along the first line of sight, the car



was repositioned on the second line of sight which is 1.88 m separated from the first line of sight and the process was repeated for the rest of the grid points.



Figure 4.14 Vertical Illuminance Measurements

For each point on the grid, the veiling luminance was calculated using the IESNA formulas recommended for roadway lighting (IESNA 2004) that were previously described in Equations 3.1 to 3.4 in section 3.1 of the previous Chapter.

4.3.2. Step 2: Pavement Luminance Measurements and Calculations

The pavement luminance was measured using a luminance meter for each grid point shown in Figure 4.15. Based on IESNA recommendations, the observer was located at a distance of 83.07 m from each grid point on a line parallel to the centerline of the roadway (IESNA 2004). The eye height of the observer was also 1.45 m in compliance



with the IESNA recommendations which results in a downward direction of view of one degree.



Figure 4.15 Measurement Procedure for Pavement Luminance

The pavement luminance was measured using a luminance meter inside the car to simulate the conditions experienced by motorists driving by the construction zone, as shown in Figure 4.16. The first pavement luminance measurement at point 1 on the first line of sight ($PL_{1,1}$) was taken by positioning the car and observer at point A at a distance of 83.07 m from point 1, as shown in Figure 4.15. The car was then moved 5 m along the first line of sight and the next reading was taken until reaching the last pavement luminance reading ($PL_{27,1}$). Upon the completion of measurements for the first line of sight, the car was repositioned at point B on the second line of sight which is 1.88 m separated from the first line of sight and the process was repeated for the rest of the grid points. The average pavement luminance was then calculated by averaging the pavement luminance measurements for all the points in the grid shown in Figure 4.15.





Figure 4.16 Pavement Luminance Measurements

4.3.3. Step 3: Veiling Luminance Ratio (Glare) Calculations

In this step, the veiling luminance ratio (glare) is calculated as the ratio between the veiling luminance, which was measured in step 1 for each point in the grid in Figure 4.13, to the average pavement luminance calculated in step 2, as shown on Figure 4.17.



Figure 4.17 Veiling Luminance Ratio (Glare) Calculations



4.3.4. Step 4: Spread Sheet Implementation

In this step, a user-friendly spread sheet is developed to facilitate the input of all the data gathered in the previous steps to calculate the veiling luminance ratio (glare) experienced by motorists passing by the nighttime work zone, as shown in Figure 4.18. The input data in this spread sheet include: (1) the spacing between the testing points in the measurement grid which was set at 5 m in this experiment, in compliance with IESNA recommendations; (2) the height of the observer eye; (3) the location and height of the light source; (4) the values of the vertical illuminance at each observer location; and (5) the average pavement luminance of the road. It should noted that the grid spacing and the height of the observer's eye were the same in all the tested lighting arrangements while the remaining input data varied from one tested lighting arrangement to another. To facilitate the collection of this data, the form shown in Figure 4.19 was used for each lighting arrangement to record the location and height of the light source, the measured vertical illuminance values, and the measured pavement luminance values.

For each of the tested lighting arrangements, an Excel spread sheet was designed to facilitate entering the collected data from the field tests in order to calculate the veiling luminance ratios (glare) experienced by drivers as shown in Figure 4.18. These calculations were performed using the aforementioned three computational steps. The outcomes of these computations are displayed in the spread sheet using four different background colors to represent the severity of the glare levels. These four background colors are automatically generated and displayed in the spread sheet based on the calculated level of glare as follows: (1) white if the veiling luminance ratio (glare) is



less than 0.4; (2) yellow if glare ranges between 0.4 and 0.6; (3) orange if glare ranges between 0.6 and 0.8; and (4) red if glare ranges exceeds 0.8.

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Number of light source	1.45			
-		1		
Light #	x	У	z	
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Average Pavement L	uminance:		
		0.988333333	
Values Entered			Glare Calculations
11			
Vertical Illuminance	Observer	Glaro	
Vertical marminaries	Location	Olare	
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0.95	5.00	0.26	
1.3	10.00	0.28	
1.85	15.00	0.30	
2.75	20.00	0.32	
4.45	25.00	0.35	
8.75	30.00	0.41	
19.8	35.00	0.45	
2.25	40.00	0.02	
3.25	45.00	0.00	
1.8	50.00	0.00	

Figure 4.18 Spread Sheet Implementation



Light Type	Balloon
Light Height (m)	4.5
Longitudinal Distance	0
Lateral Distance	-1

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3	PL =	0.25	0.10	1		uight ource	VV
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5	PL =	1.00	0.75]			e e
6	PL =	1.80	0.91				0.02
7	PL =	3.50	2.10	-	:		E 8
8	PL =	4.00	2.71	ł			
9	PL =	4.70	3.18	-		J	3.7 r
10	PL =	5.47	3.50	-		Ť	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
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12	PL =	1.90	1.00	 		Distance	
13	PL =	1.40	0.70	-		Vertical II	luminance
14	PL =	1.20	0.59			Measu	rements
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15 16	PL = PL =	0.98	0.31	-	1st L	ine of Sight	2nd Line of Sight
15 16 17	PL = PL = PL =	0.98 0.70 0.50	0.31 0.24 0.14	VE =	1st L	ine of Sight 0.70	2nd Line of Sight 0.70
15 16 17 18	PL = PL = PL = PL =	0.98 0.70 0.50 0.44	0.31 0.24 0.14 0.13	VE = VE =	1st L	ine of Sight 0.70 0.95	2nd Line of Sight 0.70 0.90
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15 16 17 18 19 20	PL = PL = PL = PL = PL =	0.98 0.70 0.50 0.44 0.36 0.35	0.31 0.24 0.14 0.13 0.12 0.11	VE = VE = VE = VE =	1st L	ine of Sight 0.70 0.95 1.30 1.85	2nd Line of Sight 0.70 0.90 1.20 1.85
15 16 17 18 19 20 21	PL = PL = PL = PL = PL = PL =	0.98 0.70 0.50 0.44 0.36 0.35 0.30	0.31 0.24 0.14 0.13 0.12 0.11 0.13	VE = VE = VE = VE =	1st L	ine of Sight 0.70 0.95 1.30 1.85 2.75	2nd Line of Sight 0.70 0.90 1.20 1.85 2.75
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Figure 4.19 Pavement Luminance and Vertical Illuminance



4.4. Horizontal Illuminance and Uniformity Ratio Measurements Procedure

In addition to measuring and calculating the veiling luminance ratio in the previous section, the horizontal illuminance provided by the tested lighting arrangements was also measured and calculated. The purpose of this calculation is to evaluate the lighting performance (i.e., average horizontal illuminance and lighting uniformity) as well as the veiling luminance ratio for all the tested lighting arrangements. The horizontal illuminance (HI) was measured using an illuminance meter (see Figure 4.20) at each measurement point on the grid shown in Figure 4.21. The measurement points in this grid were located along the two quarter lane lines in the simulated work zone and extended 20 m on both sides of the light source with a spacing of 5 m according to recommendations from IESNA (IESNA 2004). To facilitate the collection of this measurement data, the form shown in Figure 4.22 was used for each lighting arrangement to record the measured horizontal illuminance values for each point in the utilized grid.



Figure 4.20 Horizontal Illuminance Measurements





Figure 4.21 Horizontal Illuminance Measurements

Me	Di	HI-Distributior	<u>HI-Distribution Table</u> (in lux)					
as.	stan	Work	Work Area					
Points	ce (m)	2.8 m	0.92 m					
1	-20	1.61	1.63					
2	-15	3.85	4					
3	-10	12.5	13.1					
4	-5	55	66					
<u>5</u>	<u>0</u>	220	280					
6	5	55	66					
7	10	12.5	13.1					
8	15	3.85	4					
9	20	1.61	1.63					

Figure 4.22 Horizontal Illuminance Distribution (in lux)

The average horizontal illuminance (E_{avg}) was calculated by dividing the total accumulated illuminance (E_{total}) in all the grid points in the specified work area by the number of points (P) in that grid, as shown in Equation 4.1. For each tested lighting arrangement, the average horizontal illuminance was calculated for three possible



scenarios of work areas with a length of 20 m, 30 m, or 40 m, as shown in Figure 4.21. These lengths were selected to represent the typical work areas on both sides of the light source that were observed during the site visits and/or the spacing between equally spaced light sources along the length of the work zone.

$$E_{avg} = \frac{E_{total}}{P}$$
(4.1)

Where,

- E_{total} = accumulated illuminance in all grid points (P) in the construction work area (in lux); and
 - P = total number of the points in the grid in the work zone.

The lighting uniformity ratio (U) is represented by the ratio between the previously calculated average illuminance in the work area (E_{avg}) and the minimum illuminance measured at any grid point in the work zone as shown in Equation 4.2. It should be noted that lighting uniformity improves on construction zones when the value of the uniformity ratio decreases, which indicates smaller differences between the darkest point and the average illuminance in the work area.

$$U = \frac{E_{avg}}{E_{\min}}$$
(4.2)

Where,

- E_{avg} = average horizontal illuminance in the work area (in lux); and
- E_{min} = minimum measured value of the horizontal illuminance in the grid in the work zone (in lux).



4.5. Glare and Light Performance of Tested Lighting Arrangements

This section presents the results of the field experiments that were conducted to evaluate the lighting performance of commonly used lighting arrangements in nighttime highway construction. The experiments began on May 11th 2007 and were completed on June 11th 2007. During this period, the experiments were interrupted several nights due to adverse weather conditions of thunderstorms and rain. The daily experiments typically started one hour before sunset (approximately 7:30 pm) to complete the following tasks during daylight: (1) closure of both ends of the experimental road, as shown in Figure 4.23; (2) positioning the construction cones to represent the earlier described measurement points in the utilized grid, as shown in Figure 4.24; and (3) positioning and setting up the tested lighting equipment, as shown in Figure 4.25. Every night, the lighting measurements was proceeded as soon as it was completely dark (approximately 9:00 pm) and continued until before sunrise (approximately 4:00 am). Upon the completion of the measurements each night, the tested lighting equipment were disassembled as well as the construction barricades and cones and stored them in the nearby ICT facilities in Rantoul, IL. A total of 25 different lighting arrangements were tested during the field experiments as shown in Table 4.1.



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Figure 4.23 Closing Both Ends of the Experimental Road



Figure 4.24 Positioning the Construction Cones





Figure 4.25 Positioning and Setting Up the Tested Lighting Equipment



Tested			Tested Par		
Lighting	Type of	Height	Rotation	Aiming Angle of	Simulated Construction
Arrangement	Light	(H)	Angle Four Luminaries		Activity
		0 -		(AA)	Paving Bituminous
1	0.55	3.5m	-		Surfaces, Rolling
2	Balloon	4.0m		NA	Bituminous Surfaces,
3	Light	4.5m			Pavement Cleaning and Sweeping Work Zone
4		5.0m			Flagger Station
5	Two	4.0m			Doving Rituminous
6	Balloon	4.5m	-	NA	Surfaces
7	Lights	5.0m			Cultures
8	Three	4.0m			Paving Bituminous
9	Balloon	4.5m	NA		Surfaces, Rolling
10	Lights	5.0m			Bituminous Surfaces
11				0°,0°,0°,0°	
12			0°	20°,20°,-20°,-20°	
13				45°,45°,-45°,-45°	
14		5.0m	20°	20°,20°,0°,0°	
15			20	45°,45°,0°,0°	Paving Bituminous
16			1E°	20°,20°,0°,0°	Surfaces, Rolling
17	One		40	45°,45°,0°,0°	Bituminous Surfaces,
18	Tower	0°,0°,0°,0°		Sweening Work Zone	
19	1 OWCI		0°	20°,20°,-20°,-20°	Flagger Station.
20				45°,45°,-45°,-45°	Pavement patching
21		8.5m	20°	20°,20°,0°,0°	
22			20	45°,45°,0°,0°	
23			1E°	20°,20°,0°,0°	
24			40	45°,45°,0°,0°	
25	One Nite Lite	3.5m		NA	Pavement Cleaning and Sweeping

The field experiments were conducted to study the lighting performance and glare for 25 different lighting arrangements, as shown in Table 4.1. These 25 tested lighting arrangements were selected to represent typical lighting equipment and arrangements in nighttime highway construction based on the findings of several site visits that were previously conducted and summarized in the previous Chapter. Table 4.1 summarizes



the tested lighting arrangements during the field experiments and the relevant lighting of construction activities that they simulate. The following presents the results of the field experiments for the tested lighting arrangements for: (1) one balloon light; (2) two balloon lights; (3) three balloon lights; (4) one light tower; and (5) one Nite Lite.

4.5.1. One Balloon Light

During the site visits that were conducted to identify the typical lighting arrangements used in nighttime highway construction, a number of nighttime construction activities were observed to utilize one balloon light to illuminate its work area, including: paving bituminous surfaces, rolling bituminous surfaces, pavement cleaning and sweeping, and work zone flagger station as shown in Figures 4.26 to 4.29 respectively. Accordingly, the field experiments were designed to test the lighting performance of one balloon light that was positioned inside the simulated work zone at a lateral distance of 1 m from the centerline of the road, as shown in Figure 4.30. This lateral distance was used to simulate the closest location of one balloon light to drive-by motorists based on the findings of previous site visits to study and evaluate the worst case scenario of glare. As shown in tested arrangements 1 to 4 in Table 4.1, the performance of the single balloon light was evaluated using four different heights of 3.5 m, 4 m, 4.5 m, and 5 m to examine the impact of balloon light height on glare and lighting performance.



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Figure 4.26 Paving Bituminous Surfaces Activity



Figure 4.27 Rolling Bituminous Surfaces Activity





Figure 4.28 Pavement Cleaning and Sweeping Activity



Figure 4.29 Work Zone Flagger Station





Figure 4.30 One Balloon Light Arrangement

For each of the tested four balloon light heights, the veiling luminance ratio for drive-by motorists as well as the average illuminance and lighting uniformity ratio in the work area were calculated using the measurement and calculation procedures described in the previous Chapter. For each height, the measured veiling luminance ratios (V) for the two lines of sights are shown in Figures 4.32 to 4.34 and summarized in Tables 4.2 and 4.3. Furthermore, the average illuminance (E_{avg}) and lighting uniformity ratio (U) values for the three work areas shown in Figure 4.21 are shown in Table 4.4 for the four tested balloon heights.





Figure 4.31 Veiling Luminance Ratios for One Balloon Light at 3.5 m Height (Test #1)





Figure 4.32 Veiling Luminance Ratios for One Balloon Light at 4.0 m Height (Test #2)



Figure 4.33 Veiling Luminance Ratios for One Balloon Light at 4.5 m Height (Test #3)





Figure 4.34 Veiling Luminance Ratios for One Balloon Light at 5.0 m Height (Test #4)

Distance	Balloon Light Height				
(m)	3.5 m	4.0 m	4.5 m	5.0 m	
5	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
-5	0.09	0.02	0.02	0.01	
-10	0.64	0.50	0.45	0.04	
-15	0.57	0.45	0.41	0.37	
-20	0.51	0.39	0.35	0.31	
-25	0.46	0.37	0.32	0.29	
-30	0.44	0.35	0.30	0.27	
-35	0.38	0.31	0.28	0.26	
-40	0.35	0.29	0.26	0.22	
-45	0.32	0.26	0.23	0.20	

Table 4.2 Veiling Luminance Ratios for One Balloon Light at First Line of Sight



Distance	Balloon Light Height				
(m)	3.5 m	4.0 m	4.5 m	5.0 m	
5	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
-5	0.05	0.01	0.01	0.01	
-10	0.33	0.27	0.26	0.03	
-15	0.30	0.24	0.23	0.22	
-20	0.26	0.21	0.20	0.19	
-25	0.25	0.20	0.20	0.18	
-30	0.24	0.19	0.19	0.18	
-35	0.21	0.17	0.16	0.15	
-40	0.19	0.16	0.15	0.15	
-45	0.17	0.15	0.15	0.14	

Table 4.3 Veiling Luminance Ratios for One Balloon Light at Second Line of Sight

Table 4.4 Average Horizontal Illuminance and Lighting Uniformity Ratios for One Balloon Light

Balloon Light Height in meters (H)	Work Area Length in meters	Average Horizontal Illuminance in lux (E _{avg})	Lighting Uniformity Ratio (U)
	20	85.79	10.55
3.5	30	61.96	26.94
	40	48.44	44.44
	20	85.52	7.64
4.0	30	62.10	17.74
	40	48.64	32.43
	20	79.32	6.35
4.5	30	57.78	15.01
	40	45.30	28.14
	20	70.50	5.11
5.0	30	51.63	11.73
	40	40.58	21.36


The main findings of the above four tested lighting arrangements for a single balloon light includes:

- (1) Veiling luminance ratio/glare steadily increases for drive by motorists as they approach the light source and it reaches a peak at 10 m before the balloon light for the first three tested heights (3.5 m, 4 m, 4.5m) while the peak glare value for the fourth tested height (5 m) was observed at 15 m before the light, as shown in Tables 4.2 and 4.3 and Figures 4.31 to 4.34.
- (2) Veiling luminance ratios experienced at the first line of sight are consistently higher than those observed at the second line of sight, as shown in Figures 4.31 to 4.34. The increase in these ratios at the first line of sight compared to the second light of sight is due to the closer lateral distance to the light source (see Figure 4.31).
- (3) For the second line of sight in all the tested balloon light heights, the veiling luminance ratios in all locations were less than 0.4 which is the maximum ratio allowed by IESNA for roadway lighting (IESNA 2004), as shown in Table 4.3.
- (4) For the first line of sight in all the tested balloon light heights, the 0.4 veiling luminance ratio was exceeded in 9 of the 44 tested locations as follows:
 - 4.1) For the tested height of 3.5 m, veiling luminance ratios exceeded 0.4 at five locations before the light source at 10 m, 15 m, 20 m, 25 m and 30 m, as shown in Table 4.2;
 - 4.2) For the tested height of 4 m, veiling luminance ratios exceeded 0.4 at two locations at 10 m and 15 m before the light source, as shown in Table 4.2;



- 4.3) For the tested height of 4.5 m, veiling luminance ratios exceeded 0.4 at two locations at 10 m and 15 m before the light source, as shown in Table 4.2;
- 4.4) For the tested height of 5 m, veiling luminance ratios were consistently less than 0.4 in all locations, as shown in Table 4.2;
- (5) Veiling luminance ratios steadily decrease as the balloon light height increases as shown in Tables 4.2 and 4.3.
- (6) Average horizontal illuminance in the work area continues to decrease as the balloon light height increases as shown in Table 4.4.
- (7) Lighting uniformity ratio in the work area steadily decreases as the balloon light height increases as shown in Table 4.4.

4.5.2. Two Balloon Lights

During the site visits, a number of nighttime highway construction projects were observed in Illinois that utilized two balloon lights to provide lighting for paving bituminous surfaces activity, as shown in Figure 4.35. Accordingly, the field experiments were designed to test the lighting performance of two balloon lights that were positioned inside the simulated work zone and separated by 2.72 m to simulate the same lighting settings observed during the site visits, as shown in Figure 4.36. As shown in tested arrangements 5 to 7 in Table 4.1, the two balloon lights were tested using three different heights of 4 m, 4.5 m, and 5 m to examine the impact of height on glare and lighting performance.





Figure 4.35 Pavement Equipment Using Two Balloon Lights



Figure 4.36 Two Balloon Lights Arrangement



The measurement and calculation procedures for the veiling luminance ratio, average illuminance, and lighting uniformity (see Sections 4.3 and 4.4) were used to calculate the lighting performance for each of the tested four balloon lights heights. For each of the tested heights, the measured veiling luminance ratios (V) for the two lines of sights are shown in Figures 4.37 to 4.39 and in Tables 4.5 and 4.6. In addition, the average illuminance (E_{avg}) and lighting uniformity ratio (U) values for the three work areas shown in Figure 4.21 are shown in Table 4.7 for the tested balloon heights.



Figure 4.37 Veiling Luminance Ratios for Two Balloon Lights at 4.0 m Height (Test #5)





Figure 4.38 Veiling Luminance Ratios for Two Balloon Lights at 4.5 m Height (Test #6)



Figure 4.39 Veiling Luminance Ratios for Two Balloon Lights at 5.0 m Height (Test #7)



Distance	Balloo	on Light H	leight
(m)	4.0 m	4.5 m	5.0 m
5	0.00	0.00	0.00
0	0.00	0.00	0.00
-5	0.01	0.03	0.01
-10	0.54	0.44	0.09
-15	0.47	0.43	0.34
-20	0.44	0.40	0.32
-25	0.42	0.37	0.29
-30	0.39	0.34	0.27
-35	0.36	0.32	0.25
-40	0.34	0.30	0.23
-45	0.34	0.29	0.22

Table 4.5 Veiling Luminance Ratios for Two Balloon Lights at First Line of Sight

Table 4.6 Veiling Luminance Ratios for Two Balloon Lights at Second Line of Sight

Distance	Ballo	on Light H	leight
(m)	4.0 m	4.5 m	5.0 m
5	0.00	0.00	0.00
0	0.00	0.00	0.00
-5	0.02	0.01	0.01
-10	0.28	0.25	0.06
-15	0.25	0.25	0.22
-20	0.24	0.23	0.19
-25	0.23	0.22	0.18
-30	0.22	0.21	0.17
-35	0.21	0.20	0.16
-40	0.20	0.20	0.15
-45	0.20	0.18	0.14



Balloon Light Height in meters (H)	Work Area Length in meters	Average Horizontal Illuminance in lux (E _{avg})	Lighting Uniformity Ratio (U)
	20	169.75	7.68
4.0	30	123.11	18.94
	40	96.25	51.47
	20	151.08	6.12
4.5	30	110.33	13.45
	40	86.38	37.55
	20	139.58	5.09
5.0	30	102.21	12.4
	40	80.24	24.02

Table 4.7 Average Horizontal Illuminance and Lighting Uniformity Ratios for Two Balloon Lights

The main findings of the three tested lighting arrangements for the two balloon lights include:

- (1) Veiling luminance ratio steadily increases for drive by motorists as they approach the light source and it reaches a peak at 10 m before the two balloon lights for the 4 m and 4.5m heights. The peak for the 5 m height on the other hand occurs at 15 m before the light source, as shown in Tables 4.5 and 4.6 and Figures 4.37 to 4.39.
- (2) Veiling luminance ratios experienced at the first line of sight are consistently higher than those observed at the second line of sight, as shown in Figures 4.37 to 4.39. The increase in these ratios is due to the closer lateral distance for the first line of sight to the light source (see Figure 4.37).



- (3) The veiling luminance ratios in all locations for the second line of sight in all tested heights were less than the maximum ratio allowed by IESNA for roadway lighting (0.4), as shown in Table 4.6.
- (4) 7 of the 33 tested observer locations for the first line of sight in all tested balloon light heights exceeded 0.4 as follows:
 - 4.1) For the tested height of 4.0 m, veiling luminance ratios exceeded 0.4 at four locations at 10 m, 15 m, 20 m and 25 m before the two balloon lights, as shown in Table 4.5;
 - 4.2) For the tested height of 4.5 m, veiling luminance ratios exceeded 0.4 at three locations at 10 m, 15 m and 20 m before the two balloon lights, as shown in Table 4.5;
- (5) Veiling luminance ratios steadily decrease as the balloon light height increases as shown in Tables 4.5 and 4.6.
- (6) Average horizontal illuminance for the three evaluated work areas decreases as the balloon light height increases as shown in Table 4.7.
- (7) Lighting uniformity ratio in the work area steadily decreases as the height of the two balloon lights increases as shown in Table 4.7.

4.5.3. Three Balloon Lights

During the site visits, in a number of projects were observed to utilize of three balloon lights in close proximity to each other. In these projects, the paving equipment utilized two balloon lights on the sides of the paver while a nearby roller utilized a third balloon light, as shown in Figure 4.40. Accordingly, the field experiments were designed to test the veiling luminance ratio, average horizontal illuminance, and lighting uniformity



for the three balloon lights. Two of the balloon lights were positioned inside the simulated work zone and separated by 2.72 m to simulate a paving bituminous surface activity while one balloon light was positioned in the middle of the simulated work zone to represent a rolling bituminous surface activity, as shown in Figure 4.41. The two balloon lights were positioned with a 10 m longitudinal distance away from the third balloon light to simulate the closest location of a paver to a roller in the simulated work zone. As shown in tested arrangements 8 to 10 in Table 4.1, the three balloon lights were tested using three different heights of 4 m, 4.5 m, and 5 m to examine the impact of height on the veiling luminance ratio, average horizontal illuminance, and lighting uniformity.



Figure 4.40 Utilization of Three Balloon Lights in Nighttime Work Zone





Figure 4.41 Three Balloon Lights Arrangement

For the three tested balloon lights heights, the measurement and calculation procedures described in the previous Chapter were applied. For each tested height, the measured veiling luminance ratios (V) for the two lines of sights are shown in Figures 4.42 to 4.44 and in Tables 4.8 and 4.9. In addition, the lighting performance (average illuminance and lighting uniformity ratio) for the three work areas shown in Figure 4.21 are shown in Table 4.10.





Figure 4.42 Veiling Luminance Ratios for Three Balloon Lights at 4.0 m Height (Test#8)





Figure 4.43 Veiling Luminance Ratios for Three Balloon Lights at 4.5 m Height (Test#9)



Figure 4.44 Veiling Luminance Ratios for Three Balloon Lights at 5.0 m Height (Test#10)



Distance	Balloo	on Light H	leight
(m)	4.0 m	4.5 m	5.0 m
5	0.00	0.00	0.00
0	0.00	0.00	0.00
-5	0.05	0.02	0.01
-10	0.39	0.31	0.23
-15	0.42	0.33	0.32
-20	0.56	0.40	0.37
-25	0.44	0.36	0.34
-30	0.39	0.34	0.31
-35	0.36	0.33	0.30
-40	0.33	0.30	0.28
-45	0.32	0.29	0.27
-50	0.32	0.29	0.26
-55	0.31	0.29	0.26

Table 4.8 Veiling Luminance Ratios for Three Balloon Lights at First Line of Sight

Table 4.9 Veiling Luminance Ratios for Three Balloon Lights at Second Line of Sight

Distance	Ballo	on Light H	leight
(m)	4.0 m	4.5 m	5.0 m
5	0.00	0.00	0.00
0	0.00	0.00	0.00
-5	0.02	0.01	0.01
-10	0.22	0.19	0.12
-15	0.22	0.20	0.20
-20	0.32	0.27	0.25
-25	0.29	0.24	0.22
-30	0.24	0.22	0.21
-35	0.22	0.20	0.20
-40	0.20	0.19	0.18
-45	0.20	0.18	0.18
-50	0.19	0.18	0.17
-55	0.18	0.18	0.17



Balloon Light Height in meters (H)	Work Area Length in meters	Average Horizontal Illuminance in lux (E _{avg})	Lighting Uniformity Ratio (U)
	30	192.74	16.06
4.0	40	151.21	39.58
	50	124.10	80.06
	30	152.96	15.3
4.5	40	120.25	35.26
	50	98.83	54.91
	30	137.77	12.52
5.0	40	108.61	25.32
	50	89.32	47.26

Table 4.10 Average Horizontal Illuminance and Lighting Uniformity Ratios for ThreeBalloon Lights

The main findings of the above three lighting arrangements for the three balloon lights include:

- (1) Veiling luminance ratio steadily increases for drive by motorists as they approach the three balloon lights and it reaches a peak at 20 m before the three balloon lights for all tested heights, as shown in Tables 4.8 and 4.9 and Figures 4.42 to 4.44.
- (2) Veiling luminance ratios experienced at the first line of sight are consistently higher than those observed at the second line of sight, as shown in Figures 4.42 to 4.44. The increase in these ratios at the first line of sight compared to the second light of sight is due to the closer lateral distance to the light source (see Figure 4.42).



- (3) For the second line of sight in all the tested heights, the veiling luminance ratios in all locations were less than 0.4, as shown in Table 4.9.
- (4) In all tested balloon light heights, 4 out of 39 tested locations for the first line of sight exceeded 0.4 as follows:
 - 4.1) For the tested height of 4.0 m, veiling luminance ratios exceeded 0.4 at three locations at 15 m, 20 m and 25 m before the two balloon lights, as shown in Table 4.8;
 - 4.2) For the tested height of 4.5 m, veiling luminance ratios exceeded 0.4 at 20 m distance before the two balloon lights, as shown in Table 4.8;
- (5) Veiling luminance ratios steadily decrease as the balloon light height increases as shown in Tables 4.8 and 4.9.
- (6) Average horizontal illuminance for the three evaluated work areas decreases as the balloon light height increases, as shown in Table 4.10.
- (7) Lighting uniformity ratio in the work area steadily decreases as the height of the two balloon lights increases, as shown in Table 4.10.

4.5.4. Light Tower

During the site visits, the utilization of light towers to illuminate the work area was observed for a number of nighttime highway construction activities, including: bridge girders repairs, pavement patching and repairs, and work zone flagger stations as shown in Figures 4.45 to 4.47, respectively. Accordingly, the field experiments were designed to test the lighting performance of one light tower that was positioned in the middle of the simulated work zone as observed during the site visits, as shown in Figure 4.48. This lateral distance was used to simulate the feasible and closest



location of one light tower to drive-by motorists in order to evaluate the worst case scenario of glare.



Figure 4.45 Girders Repair Activity



Figure 4.46 Pavement Patching and Repairs Activity





Figure 4.47 Work Zone Flagger Station



Figure 4.48 One Light Tower Arrangement



Moreover, the light tower was tested to examine the impact of three different parameters on the veiling luminance ratio and lighting performance. The tested parameters include: (1) the height of the light tower (H) which represents the vertical distance between the center of the luminaries and the road surface; (2) the rotation angle (RA) of the light tower which represents the rotation of the light tower pole around a vertical axis; and (3) the aiming angles (AA) of the four luminaries that denotes the vertical angle between the center of the beam spread of the luminarie and the nadir, as shown in Figure 4.49. These tested lighting arrangements are shown in Table 4.11.



Figure 4.49 Tested Parameters for the Light Tower



Tested Lighting	Light Tower	Rotation Angle (RA)	Aimi	ng Angles lumi	s (AA) for naire	each
Arrangement	Height (H)	of the lower Pole	1	2	3	4
11			0°	0°	0°	0°
12		0°	20°	20°	-20°	-20°
13			45°	45°	-45°	-45°
14	5 m	20°	20°	20°	0°	0°
15		20	45°	45°	0°	0°
16		1E°	20°	20°	0°	0°
17		40	45°	45°	0°	0°
18			0°	0°	0°	0°
19		0°	20°	20°	-20°	-20°
20			45°	45°	-45°	-45°
21	8.5 m	20°	20°	20°	0°	0°
22		20	45°	45°	0°	0°
23]	45°	20°	20°	0°	0°
24		40	45°	45°	0°	0°

Table 4.11 Tested Lighting Arrangements for One Light Tower

For each of the tested lighting arrangement, the veiling luminance ratio for drive-by motorists was measured and calculated as well as the average illuminance and lighting uniformity ratio in the work area. The measured veiling luminance ratios (V) for the two lines of sight for each test are shown in Figures 4.50 to 4.63 and summarized in Tables 4.12 and 4.13. Furthermore, the average illuminance (E_{avg}) and lighting uniformity ratio (U) values for the three work areas shown in Figure 4.21 are shown in Table 4.14 for the aforementioned tested lighting arrangements.





Figure 4.50 Veiling Luminance Ratio for One Light Tower at a Height of 5 m, Rotation Angle of 0°, and Aiming Angles of 0°,0°,0°,0° (Tested Arrangement # 11)



Figure 4.51 Veiling Luminance Ratio for One Light Tower at a Height of 8.5 m, Rotation Angle of 0°, and Aiming Angles of 0°,0°,0°,0° (Test #18)





Figure 4.52 Veiling Luminance Ratio for One Light Tower at a Height of 5 m, Rotation Angle of 0°, and Aiming Angles of 20°,20°,-20°,-20° (Test #12)



Figure 4.53 Veiling Luminance Ratio for One Light Tower at a Height of 8.5 m, Rotation Angle of 0°, and Aiming Angles of 20°,20°,-20°,-20° (Test #19)





Figure 4.54 Veiling Luminance Ratio for One Light Tower at a Height of 5 m, Rotation Angle of 0°, and Aiming Angles of 45°,45°,-45°,-45° (Test #13)



Figure 4.55 Veiling Luminance Ratio for One Light Tower at a Height of 8.5 m, Rotation Angle of 0°, and Aiming Angles of 45°,45°,-45°,-45° (Test #20)





Figure 4.56 Veiling Luminance Ratio for One Light Tower at a Height of 5 m, Rotation Angle of 20°, and Aiming Angles of 20°,20°,0°,0° (Test #14)



Figure 4.57 Veiling Luminance Ratio for One Light Tower at a Height of 8.5 m, Rotation Angle of 20°, and Aiming Angles of 20°,20°,0°,0° (Test #21)





Figure 4.58 Veiling Luminance Ratio for One Light Tower at a Height of 5 m, Rotation Angle of 20°, and Aiming Angles of 45°,45°,0°,0° (Test #15)



Figure 4.59 Veiling Luminance Ratio for One Light Tower at a Height of 8.5 m, Rotation Angle of 20°, and Aiming Angles of 45°,45°,0°,0° (Test #22)





Figure 4.60 Veiling Luminance Ratio for One Light Tower at a Height of 5 m, Rotation Angle of 45°, and Aiming Angles of 20°,20°,0°,0° (Test #16)



Figure 4.61 Veiling Luminance Ratio for One Light Tower at a Height of 8.5 m, Rotation Angle of 45°, and Aiming Angles of 20°,20°,0°,0° (Test #23)





Figure 4.62 Veiling Luminance Ratio for One Light Tower at a Height of 5 m, Rotation Angle of 45°, and Aiming Angles of 45°,45°,0°,0° (Test #17)



Figure 4.63 Veiling Luminance Ratio for One Light Tower at a Height of 8.5 m, Rotation Angle of 45°, and Aiming Angles of 45°,45°,0°,0° (Test #24)



	H =	5	8.5	5	8.5	5	8.5	5	8.5	5	8.5	5	8.5	5	8.5
)ista	RA=			()°				20	С°		45°			
ance	AA=	0° 0°	,0° ,0°	20° -20°	,20° ,-20°	45° -45°	,45° ,-45°	20° 0°	,20° ,0°	45° 0°	,45° ,0°	20° 0°	,20° ,0°	45° 0°	,45° ,0°
5	m	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
0	m	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
-5	5 m	0.01	0.01	0.03	0.02	0.04	0.01	0.13	0.03	0.07	0.02	0.03	0.02	0.05	0.03
-1	0 m	0.11	0.01	0.18	0.01	0.36	0.02	0.18	0.02	1.02	0.05	0.35	0.02	0.35	0.02
-1	5 m	0.08	0.02	0.13	0.02	0.77	0.05	0.14	0.03	0.69	0.06	0.19	0.02	0.39	0.04
-2	0 m	0.06	0.03	0.10	0.05	0.64	0.19	0.11	0.14	0.55	0.08	0.13	0.07	0.29	0.08
-2	5 m	0.05	0.02	0.08	0.04	0.59	0.35	0.09	0.14	0.48	0.27	0.10	0.06	0.20	0.16
-3	0 m	0.04	0.02	0.07	0.03	0.53	0.27	0.09	0.11	0.43	0.23	0.09	0.04	0.21	0.15
-3	5 m	0.03	0.02	0.07	0.03	0.49	0.24	0.08	0.09	0.40	0.21	0.08	0.03	0.13	0.12
-4	0 m	0.03	0.01	0.06	0.02	0.47	0.22	0.08	0.07	0.37	0.19	0.08	0.03	0.12	0.10
-4	5 m	0.03	0.01	0.06	0.02	0.43	0.20	0.07	0.05	0.35	0.18	0.07	0.03	0.08	0.09

Table 4.12 Veiling Luminance Ratios for One Light Tower at First Line of Sight

Table 4.13 Veiling Luminance Ratios for One Light Tower at Second Line of Sight

	H =	5	8.5	5	8.5	5	8.5	5	8.5	5	8.5	5	8.5	5	8.5
)ista	RA=			()°				2	0°			4	5°	
ance	AA=	0° 0°	,0° ,0°	20° -20°	,20° ,-20°	45° -45°	,45° ,-45°	20° 0°	,20° ,0°	45° 0°	,45° ,0°	20° 0°	,20° ,0°	45° 0°	,45° ,0°
5	m	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
0	m	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
-5	5 m	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.09	0.02	0.04	0.01	0.02	0.01	0.04	0.02
-1	0 m	0.07	0.01	0.08	0.01	0.20	0.01	0.11	0.01	0.67	0.03	0.25	0.01	0.30	0.02
-1	5 m	0.05	0.01	0.08	0.01	0.44	0.01	0.09	0.03	0.44	0.07	0.13	0.02	0.26	0.04
-2	0 m	0.03	0.02	0.06	0.04	0.40	0.14	0.07	0.10	0.34	0.25	0.08	0.06	0.20	0.16
-2	5 m	0.03	0.02	0.05	0.03	0.35	0.26	0.06	0.11	0.30	0.23	0.07	0.05	0.15	0.15
-3	0 m	0.02	0.02	0.04	0.03	0.33	0.21	0.06	0.08	0.28	0.19	0.06	0.03	0.12	0.13
-3	5 m	0.02	0.01	0.04	0.02	0.30	0.19	0.05	0.07	0.26	0.17	0.05	0.03	0.10	0.11
-4	0 m	0.02	0.01	0.04	0.02	0.29	0.18	0.05	0.06	0.24	0.16	0.05	0.02	0.09	0.09
-4	5 m	0.02	0.01	0.04	0.02	0.29	0.17	0.05	0.05	0.23	0.15	0.04	0.02	0.06	0.08

Test Arrangement #	Work Area Length in meters	Average Horizontal Illuminance in lux (E _{avg})	Lighting Uniformity Ratio (U)	
	20	1310.82	119.82	
11	30	936.93	439.87	
	40	728.88	1104.37	
	20	916.96	17.87	
12	30	656.89	101.84	
	40	511.22	393.24	
	20	825.60	6.82	
13	30	598.84	21.78	
	40	468.21	43.76	
	20	1010.66	71.07	
14	30	723.30	159.67	
	40	562.85	678.13	
	20	978.63	36.65	
15	30	701.79	115.62	
	40	546.76	166.70	
	20	944.92	154.40	
16	30	675.94	734.71	
	40	525.92	674.26	
	20	695.84	63.26	
17	30	498.38	124.59	
	40	387.94	484.92	
	20	749.64	16.81	
18	30	537.10	95.06	
	40	418.17	224.82	
	20	620.76	7.76	
19	30	450.20	18.92	
	40	351.85	47.16	

Table 4.14A Average Horizontal Illuminance and Lighting Uniformity Ratios for One Light Tower



Test Arrangement #	Work Area Length in meters	Average Horizontal Illuminance in lux (E _{avg})	Lighting Uniformity Ratio (U)
	20	557.40	1.67
20	30	421.09	5.58
	40	332.90	14.05
	20	686.99	19.97
21	30	495.41	37.53
	40	386.34	140.49
	20	619.65	8.45
22	30	449.94	22.61
	40	352.03	58.48
	20	593.06	24.71
23	30	427.22	59.17
	40	332.92	141.67
	20	527.73	20.78
24	4 30 381.40		38.06
	40	297.63	107.84

Table 4.14BAverage Horizontal Illuminance and Lighting Uniformity Ratios for One
Light Tower (Continued)

The main findings of the above tested lighting arrangements for one light tower include:

- (1) Veiling luminance ratio/glare steadily increases for drive by motorists as they approach the light source and it reaches a peak between 10 m and 15 m before the light tower for the 5 m light height while the peak glare value for the 8.5 m height was observed between 20 m and 25 m before the light, as shown in Tables 4.12 and 4.13 and Figures 4.50 to 4.63.
- (2) The rotation and aiming angles of the light tower luminaries have an impact on the veiling luminance ratios experienced at both lines of sight.



- (3) For the second line of sight in all the tested heights, the veiling luminance ratios exceeded the 0.4 in two lighting arrangements as follows:
 - 3.1) For the 5 m height and 0° and 45° rotation and aiming angles, the locations where the veiling luminance ratios exceeded 0.4 were at 15 m and 20 m before the light tower, as shown in Table 4.13;
 - 3.2) For the 5 m height and 20° and 45° rotation and aiming angles, the locations where the veiling luminance ratios exceeded 0.4 were at 10 m and 15 m before the light tower, as shown in Table 4.13.
- (4) For the first line of sight in all the tested heights, the 0.4 veiling luminance ratio was exceeded in two lighting arrangements as follows:
 - 4.1) For the 5 m height and 0° and 45° rotation and aiming angles, the locations where the veiling luminance ratios exceeded 0.4 occurred from 15 m to 45 m before the light tower, as shown in Table 4.13;
 - 4.2) For the 5 m height and 20° and 45° rotation and aiming angles, the locations where the veiling luminance ratios exceeded 0.4 started from 10 m to 35 m before the light tower, as shown in Table 4.13.
- (5) Veiling luminance ratios steadily decrease as the light height increases as shown in Tables 4.12 and 4.13.
- (6) Average horizontal illuminance in the work area decreases as the light tower height increases as shown in Table 4.14.
- (7) Lighting uniformity ratio in the work area steadily decreases as the balloon light height increases as shown in Table 4.14.



4.5.5. One Nite Lite

Another type of nighttime lighting equipment called Nite Lite was also tested in the field experiments. A number of nighttime construction activities were reported to utilize Nite Lites to illuminate the work area such as the brushing and sweeping activity as shown in Figure 4.64. Accordingly, one Nite Lite was positioned inside the simulated work zone at a 1 m lateral distance from the centerline of the road, as shown in Figure 4.65. This lateral distance was used to simulate the closest location of one Nite Lite to drive-by motorists in order to study and evaluate the worst case scenario of veiling luminance ratio (glare). As shown in tested arrangement 25 in Table 4.1, the Nite Lite was tested at a height of 3.5 m to examine the impact of height on its glare and lighting performance. It should be noted that no additional heights were tested for Nite Lite since its available light stand during these experiments could not extend beyond 3.5 m.









Figure 4.65 One Nite Lite Arrangement

For the tested lighting arrangement for Nite Lite, the veiling luminance ratio for driveby motorists was measured and calculated based on the procedure explained in the previous Chapter. The measured veiling luminance ratios (V) for the two lines of sight for the 3.5 m height are shown in Figure 4.66 and Table 4.15. Furthermore, the average illuminance (E_{avg}) and lighting uniformity ratio (U) values for the three work areas explained in Figure 4.21 are shown in Table 4.16 for the aforementioned tested lighting arrangement.





Figure 4.66 Veiling Luminance Ratios for One Nite Lite at 3.5 m Height (Test#25)

Distance (m)	1st Line of Sight	2nd Line of Sight
5	0.00	0.00
0	0.00	0.00
-5	0.09	0.04
-10	0.84	0.39
-15	0.84	0.38
-20	0.73	0.35
-25	0.69	0.33
-30	0.67	0.32
-35	0.62	0.31
-40	0.61	0.30
-45	0.57	0.27

Table 4.15 Veiling Luminance Ratios for One Nite Lite at Both Lines of Sights



Nite Lite Height in meters (H)	Work Area Length in meters	Average Horizontal Illuminance in lux (E _{avg})	Lighting Uniformity Ratio (U)
Nite Lite	20	84.59	11
	30	61.13	25.47
	40	47.79	45.51

Table 4.16 Average Horizontal Illuminance and Lighting Uniformity Ratios for Nite Lite

The main findings of the above tested lighting arrangement for the Nite Lite include:

- (1) Veiling luminance ratio steadily increases for drive-by motorists as they approach the Nite Lite and reaches a peak at 10 m before the light source for the tested 3.5 m height, as shown in Table 4.15 and Figure 4.66.
- (2) Veiling luminance ratios experienced at the first line of sight are consistently higher than those observed at the second line of sight, as shown in Figure 4.66.
- (3) For the second line of sight in all the tested heights, the veiling luminance ratios in all locations were less than 0.4, as shown in Table 4.15.
- (4) The veiling luminance ratio for the Nite Lite at the first line of sight exceeded 0.4 in a distance that extends from 10 m up to 45 m before the light source, as shown in Table 4.15.



CHAPTER 5 RECOMMENDATIONS TO CONTROL AND REDUCE GLARE

Based on the results of the conducted field experiments, the following two main sections of this Chapter present (1) a summary of the impact of the tested lighting parameters on the lighting performance and glare in and around nighttime work zones; and (2) a number of practical recommendations that can be used to control and reduce glare caused by lighting arrangements in nighttime highway construction.

5.1. Impact of Tested Parameters on Lighting Performance

This section summarizes the impact of the tested lighting parameters of (1) type of light; (2) height of light; (3) aiming and rotation angles of light towers, and (4) height of vehicle/observer on the veiling luminance ratio experienced by drive-by motorists as well as their impact on average horizontal illuminance and lighting uniformity ratio in the work area.

5.1.1. Type of Lighting

The results of the conducted experiments illustrate that the type of lighting has an important impact on the veiling luminance ratio experienced by drive-by motorists. To evaluate the impact of the type of lighting, two sets of experiments were conducted to compare (1) one balloon light and one Nite Lite at a height of 3.5 m; and (2) one balloon light and one light tower at a height of 5 m. These experiments were divided into two sets because the available light stand for the Nite Lite during the field experiments could not extend beyond 3.5 m and the least practical height for the utilized light tower was 5m.



In the first set of experiments to compare the balloon light and Nite Lite, the test results indicate that the balloon light generated 33% less average veiling luminance ratio (V_{avg}) than the Nite Lite at the first line of sight when both were tested at a height of 3.5 m. Similarly at the same tested height, the balloon light generated 23% less maximum veiling luminance ratio (V_{max}) than the Nite Lite at the first line of sight, as shown in Figure 5.1 and Table 5.1. The test results also indicate that the balloon light and the Nite Lite at a height of 3.5 m generated very similar values of average horizontal illuminance (E_{avg}) and lighting uniformity ratio (U) with a difference less than 6%, as shown in Table 5.2.



Figure 5.1 Veiling Luminance Ratios Caused by Balloon Light and Nite Lite at First Line of Sight


Distance from Light Source (m)	Nite Lite	Balloon Light
5	0.00	0.00
0	0.00	0.00
-5	0.09	0.09
-10	0.84	0.64
-15	0.84	0.57
-20	0.73	0.51
-25	0.69	0.46
-30	0.67	0.44
-35	0.62	0.38
-40	0.61	0.35
-45	0.57	0.32
Average Veiling Luminance Ratio (V _{avg})	0.51	0.34
% Reduction in V _{avg} Over Nite Lite	0%	-33%
Maximum Veiling Luminance Ratio (V _{max})	0.84	0.64
% Reduction in V _{max} Over Nite Lite	0%	-23%

Table 5.1 Veiling Luminance Ratios Caused by Balloon Light and Nite Lite at First Line of Sight

Table 5.2 Average Horizontal Illuminance and Lighting Uniformity Ratios Generated by
Balloon Light and Nite Lite

Type of Light	Work Area Length in meters	Average Horizontal Illuminance in Iux (E _{avg})	% Change in E _{avg}	Lighting Uniformity Ratio (U)	% Change in U
	20	84.59	1.4%	11	-4.09%
Nite Lite	30	61.13	1.4%	25.47	5.77%
	40	47.79	1.4%	45.51	-2.35%
_	20	85.79	0%	11	0%
Balloon Light	30	61.96	0%	26.94	0%
	40	48.44	0%	44.44	0%



In the second set of experiments to compare the balloon light and light tower, the tests were conducted at the same height of 5 m and the results indicate that for the first line of sight the light tower generated between 44% and 78% less average veiling luminance ratio (V_{avg}) than the balloon light when the aiming angle was less than or equal 20°, as shown in Figure 5.2 and Table 5.3. When the aiming angle was 45°, the light tower generated 118% and 120% more average veiling luminance ratio (V_{avg}) than the balloon light when the rotation angle was 0° and 20°, respectively as shown in Table 5.3. Similarly, the light tower generated between 6% and 71% less maximum veiling luminance ratio (V_{max}) than the balloon light when the aiming angle was less than or equal 20°, as shown in Table 5.3. When the aiming angle was 45°, the light tower generated 6%, 109% and 175% more maximum veiling luminance ratio (V_{max}) than the balloon light when the rotation angle was 45°, 0° and 20°, respectively as shown in Table 5.3. The test results also indicate that the light tower generated significantly higher average horizontal illuminance (Eavg) and lighting uniformity ratios (U) than the balloon light, as shown in Table 5.4.



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Figure 5.2 Veiling Luminance Ratios Caused by Balloon Light and Light Tower at First Line of Sight

Table 5.3 Veiling Luminance Ratios Caused by Balloon Light and Light Tower at First
Line of Sight

		Light Tower							
Rota Angl degree	tion e in e (RA)		0		20 4		5	Balloon Light	
Aiming in deg (A/	Angle gree A)	0,0, 0,0	20,20, -20,-20	45,45, -45,-45	20,20, 0,0	45,45, 0,0	20,20, 0,0	45,45, 0,0	g.n
<	5	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0
eilir	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0
ן פר	-5	0.01	0.03	0.04	0.13	0.07	0.03	0.05	0.01
_un Dist	-10	0.11	0.18	0.36	0.18	1.02	0.35	0.35	0.04
nina	-15	0.08	0.13	0.77	0.14	0.69	0.19	0.39	0.37
anc ce (-20	0.06	0.10	0.64	0.11	0.55	0.13	0.29	0.31
d) i	-25	0.05	0.08	0.59	0.09	0.48	0.10	0.20	0.29
in m	-30	0.04	0.07	0.53	0.09	0.43	0.09	0.21	0.27
2	-35	0.03	0.07	0.49	0.08	0.40	0.08	0.13	0.26
d)	-40	0.03	0.06	0.47	0.08	0.37	0.08	0.12	0.22
at	-45	0.03	0.06	0.43	0.07	0.35	0.07	0.08	0.2
Avera (V _{av}	ge V _{/g})	0.04	0.07	0.39	0.09	0.40	0.10	0.17	0.18
% Chai V _a	nge in /g	-78%	-61%	120%	-51%	121%	-44%	-7%	0%
Maxim (V _{av}	um V _{/g})	0.11	0.18	0.77	0.18	1.02	0.35	0.39	0.37
% Chai V _m	nge in ax	-71%	-53%	109%	-52%	175%	-6%	6%	0%



Tested	Work Area Length in	Average H Illuminan	lorizontal ce (E _{avg})	Li Unifor	ghting mity Ratio (U)
Arrangement	m	Value in lux	% Increase	Value	% Increase
Balloon Light	20	70.5	0%	5.11	0%
Arrangement	30	51.63	0%	11.73	0%
4	40	40.58	0%	21.36	0%
Light Tower	20	1311	1759%	120	2245%
Arrangement	30	937	1715%	440	3650%
11	40	729	1696%	1104	5070%
Light Tower	20	916	1300%	17	333%
Arrangement	30	656	1272%	101	861%
12	40	511	1259%	393	1840%
Light Tower	20	826	1071%	7	34%
Arrangement	30	599	1060%	22	86%
13	40	468	1054%	44	105%
Light Tower	20	1011	1334%	71	1291%
Arrangement	30	723	1301%	160	1261%
14	40	563	1287%	678	3075%
Light Tower	20	979	1288%	37	617%
Arrangement	30	702	1259%	116	886%
15	40	547	1247%	167	680%
Light Tower	20	945	1240%	154	2921%
Arrangement	30	676	1209%	735	6164%
16	40	526	1196%	674	3057%
Light Tower	20	696	887%	63	1138%
Arrangement	30	498	865%	125	962%
17	40	388	856%	485	2170%

Table 5.4 Comparing Light Tower and Balloon Light Performance in AverageHorizontal Illuminance and Lighting Uniformity Ratios

5.1.2. Height of Light

The results of the conducted experiments illustrate that the height of light source has a significant impact on the veiling luminance ratio experienced by drive-by motorists. For the tested balloon lights and light towers, the results consistently indicate that veiling



luminance ratios steadily decrease as the light height increases. For example, in the tested one balloon light scenario, the average veiling luminance ratio (Vavg) at the first line of sight was reduced by 22%, 31%, and 48% when the height of the light source increased from 3.5 m to 4 m, 4.5 m, and 5 m, respectively, as shown in Figure 5.3 and Table 5.5. Similarly, the maximum veiling luminance ratio (V_{max}) at the second line of sight for one balloon light was reduced by 22%, 31%, and 43% when the height of the light source was increased from 3.5 m to 4 m, 4.5 m, and 5 m, respectively, as shown in Table 5.5. Similar trends were also observed for the one balloon light at the second line of sight (see Figure 5.4 and Table 5.6), as well as for the tested two balloon lights (see Figure 5.5 and Table 5.7), three balloon lights (see Figure 5.6 and Table 5.8) and one light tower (see Figure 5.7 and Table 5.9). Although increasing the height of light source can significantly reduce the levels of glare for drive-by motorists, the only limitation of such a height increase is the associated reduction in the average horizontal illuminance (E_{avg}) and lighting uniformity ratio (U) in the work area, as shown in Figures 5.8 and 5.9 for the two and three balloon lights arrangements, respectively. For the tested one balloon light for example, the average horizontal illuminance (E_{avg}) in a 20 m long work area decreased by 0.3%, 8%, and 18% when the height of the light source increased from 3.5 m to 4 m, 4.5 m, and 5 m, respectively, as shown in Table 5.10.



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Figure 5.3 Impact of Height on Veiling Luminance Ratio for One Balloon Light at First Line of Sight

Table 5.5 Impact of Height on	Veiling Luminance	Ratio for C	One Balloon I	_ight at First
	Line of Sight			

Veiling Luminance Ratio (V _d) at Distance (d)					
Distance (m)	Balloon Light Height				
Distance (III)	3.5 m	4.0 m	4.5 m	5.0 m	
5	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
-5	0.09	0.02	0.02	0.01	
-10	0.64	0.50	0.45	0.04	
-15	0.57	0.45	0.41	0.37	
-20	0.51	0.39	0.35	0.31	
-25	0.46	0.37	0.32	0.29	
-30	0.44	0.35	0.30	0.27	
-35	0.38	0.31	0.28	0.26	
-40	0.35	0.29	0.26	0.22	
-45	0.32	0.26	0.23	0.20	
Average Veiling Luminance Ratio (V _{avg})	0.34	0.27	0.24	0.18	
% Reduction in V_{avg} Over 3.5m Height	0%	-22%	-31%	-48%	
Maximum Veiling Luminance Ratio (V_{max})	0.64	0.50	0.45	0.37	
% Reduction in V _{max} Over 3.5m Height	0%	-22%	-31%	-43%	





Figure 5.4 Impact of Height on Veiling Luminance Ratio for One Balloon Light at Second Line of Sight

Table 5.6 Impact of Height on Veiling Luminance Ratio for One Balloon Light at
Second Line of Sight

Veiling Luminance Ratio (V _d) at Distance (d)					
Distance (d) in m	Balloon Light Height				
Distance (d) in m	3.5 m	4.0 m	4.5 m	5.0 m	
5	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
-5	0.05	0.01	0.01	0.01	
-10	0.33	0.27	0.26	0.03	
-15	0.30	0.24	0.23	0.22	
-20	0.26	0.21	0.20	0.19	
-25	0.25	0.20	0.20	0.18	
-30	0.24	0.19	0.19	0.18	
-35	0.21	0.17	0.16	0.15	
-40	0.19	0.16	0.15	0.15	
-45	0.17	0.15	0.15	0.14	
Average Veiling Luminance Ratio (Vavg)	0.18	0.15	0.14	0.11	
% Reduction in V _{avg} Over 3.5m Height	0.0%	-19%	-22%	-38%	
Maximum Veiling Luminance Ratio (V _{max})	0.33	0.27	0.26	0.22	
% Reduction in V _{max} Over 3.5m Height	0.0%	-19%	-22%	-33%	





Figure 5.5 Impact of Height on Veiling Luminance Ratio for Two Balloon Lights at First Line of Sight

Table 5.7 Impact of Height on	Veiling Luminance	Ratio for	Two Balloon	Lights at First
	Line of Sight			

Veiling Luminance Ratio (Vd) at Distance (d)					
Balloon Light Height					
Distance (m)	4.0 m	4.5 m	5.0 m		
5	0.00	0.00	0.00		
0	0.00	0.00	0.00		
-5	0.01	0.03	0.01		
-10	0.54	0.44	0.09		
-15	0.47	0.43	0.34		
-20	0.44	0.40	0.32		
-25	0.42	0.37	0.29		
-30	0.39	0.34	0.27		
-35	0.36	0.32	0.25		
-40	0.34	0.30	0.23		
-45	0.34	0.29	0.22		
Average Veiling Luminance Ratio (V _{avg})	0.30	0.27	0.18		
% Reduction in V _{avg} Over 5.0m Height	0.0%	-12%	-39%		
Maximum Veiling Luminance Ratio (V _{max})	0.54	0.44	0.34		
% Reduction in V _{max} Over 5.0m Height	0.0%	-19%	-37%		





Figure 5.6 Impact of Height on Veiling Luminance Ratio for Three Balloon Lights at First Line of Sight

Table 5.8 Impact of Height on V	/eiling Luminance Ratios for	Three Balloon Lights at
	First Line of Sight	

Veiling Luminance Ratio (Vd) at Distance (d)					
	Balloon Light Height				
Distance (m)	4.0 m	4.5 m	5.0 m		
5	0.00	0.00	0.00		
0	0.00	0.00	0.00		
-5	0.05	0.02	0.01		
-10	0.39	0.31	0.23		
-15	0.42	0.33	0.32		
-20	0.56	0.40	0.37		
-25	0.44	0.36	0.34		
-30	0.39	0.34	0.31		
-35	0.36	0.33	0.30		
-40	0.33	0.30	0.28		
-45	0.32	0.29	0.27		
-50	0.32	0.29	0.26		
-55	0.31	0.29	0.26		
Average Veiling Luminance Ratio (V _{avg})	0.30	0.25	0.23		
% Reduction in V _{avg} Over 5.0m Height	0.0%	-16%	-24%		
Maximum Veiling Luminance Ratio (V _{max})	0.56	0.40	0.37		
% Reduction in V _{max} Over 5.0m Height	0.0%	-29%	-35%		





Figure 5.7 Impact of Height on Veiling Luminance Ratio for One Light Tower at First Line of Sight when Rotation Angle is 0° and Aiming Angles are 45°,45°,-45°,-45°

Table 5.9 Impact of Height on Veiling Luminance Ratios for Or	e Light Tower at First
Table 3.5 impact of freight off veiling Eurimance ratios for of	ic Light Tower at First
Line of Sight when Rotation Angle is 0° and Aiming Angles a	re 45°,45°,-45°,-45°

	Height of Light Tower	5.0 m	8.5 m
	Rotation Angle	0	•
Ai	ming Angle of Luminaries	45°,45°,	-45°,-45°
	5	0.00	0.00
) at	0	0.00	0.00
ک _ط	-5	0.04	0.01
atio m	-10	0.36	0.02
e Rá d) ir	-15	0.77	0.05
ance ce (i	-20	0.64	0.19
nina tano	-25	0.59	0.35
Lur Dis	-30	0.53	0.27
ling	-35	0.49	0.24
Veil	-40	0.47	0.22
-	-45	0.43	0.20
Average	e Veiling Luminance Ratio (V _{avg})	0.39	0.14
% Red	uction in V _{avg} Over 5.0m Height	0%	-64%
Maximum Veiling Luminance Ratio (V _{max})		0.77	0.35
% Redu	uction in V _{max} Over 5.0m Height	0%	-55%





Figure 5.8 Tradeoffs between Average Glare and Average Illuminance for Two Balloon Lights Arrangements



Figure 5.9 Tradeoffs between Average Glare and Average Illuminance for Three Balloon Lights Arrangements



Balloon Light Height in	Work Area Length in	Average Ho Illuminano	orizontal ce (E _{avg})	Lightin Ra	g Uniformity atio (U)
meters (H)	meters	Value in lux	% Change	Value	% Change
	20	85.79	0%	10.55	0%
3.5	30	61.96	0%	26.94	0%
	40	48.44	0%	44.44	0%
	20	85.52	-0.3%	7.64	-28%
4	30	62.1	0.2%	17.74	-34%
	40	48.64	0.4%	32.43	-27%
	20	79.32	-8%	6.35	-40%
4.5	30	57.78	-7%	15.01	-44%
	40	45.3	-6%	28.14	-37%
	20	70.5	-18%	5.11	-52%
5	30	51.63	-17%	11.73	-56%
	40	40.58	-16%	21.36	-52%

Table 5.10 Impact of Balloon Light Height on Average Horizontal Illuminance and Lighting Uniformity Ratios

5.1.3. Aiming and Rotation Angles of Light Tower

The results of the conducted experiments illustrate that the aiming and rotation angles of the light tower have an important impact on the veiling luminance ratio experienced by the traveling public. In the field experiments, 14 different combinations of aiming angles and rotation angles were tested as shown in Table 5.11. The results of these experiments indicate that increasing the aiming angle causes a steady increase in the veiling luminance ratio experienced by drive-by motorists. For example when the height of the light tower was 5 m and the rotation angle was 0°, the average veiling luminance ratio (V_{avg}) at the first line of sight increased by 78% and 907% when the aiming angles of the luminaries were increased from 0° to 20° and 45° respectively, as shown in Table 5.11. Moreover, an increase in the aiming angles from 0° to 20° and 45° decreases the average horizontal illuminance (E_{avg}) by 30% and 37% and



decreases the lighting uniformity ratio (U) by 86% and 94% for the 20 m long work area respectively, as shown in Table 5.12.

Test Ari	ted Lighting rangement	11	12	13
Rot	ation Angle		0°	
Aim Li	ing Angle of uminaries	0°,0°,0°,0°	20°,20°,-20°,- 20°	45°,45°, -45°,- 45°
at	5	0.00	0.00	0.00
9 (P,	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
S	-5	0.01	0.03	0.04
atic n m	-10	0.11	0.18	0.36
e R d) i	-15	0.08	0.13	0.77
anc ce (-20	0.06	0.10	0.64
ana	-25	0.05	0.08	0.59
Lun Dist	-30	0.04	0.07	0.53
l gn	-35	0.03	0.07	0.49
eili	-40	0.03	0.06	0.47
>	-45	0.03	0.06	0.43
Ave	rage V (V _{avg})	0.04	0.07	0.39
% C	hange in V _{avg}	0%	78%	907%
Maxi	mum V (V _{max})	0.11	0.18	0.77
% CI	hange in V _{max}	0%	62%	615%

Table 5.11 Impact of Aiming Angle on Veiling Luminance Ratios



Tested Arrangement	Aiming	Work Area	Average Horizontal Illuminance (E _{avg})		Lighting Uniformity Ratio (U)	
	Angle	in meters	Value in lux	% Change	Value	% Change
Light Tower		20	1311	0%	120	0%
Arrangement	0°	30	937	0%	440	0%
11		40	729	0%	1104	0%
Light Tower	20°	20	916	-30%	17	-86%
Arrangement 12		30	656	-30%	101	-77%
		40	511	-30%	393	-64%
Light Tower Arrangement 13		20	826	-37%	7	-94%
	45°	30	599	-36%	22	-95%
		40	468	-36%	44	-96%

Table 5.12 Impact of Light Tower Aiming Angles on Average Horizontal Illuminance and Lighting Uniformity Ratios

The test results indicate that the impact of the rotation angle on the veiling luminance ratio depends on the aiming angle of the luminaries. For example when the aiming angle is 0°, varying the rotation angle will have no impact on the veiling luminance ratio generated by the light tower. At an aiming angle of 20° and height of 5m, the average veiling luminance ratio (V_{avg}) at the first line of sight increased by 25% and 44% when the rotation angle increased from 0° to 20° and 45°, respectively, as shown in Table 5.13. Similarly when the aiming angle was 20° and height was 5m, the maximum veiling luminance ratio (V_{max}) at the first line of sight increased by 1% and 98% when the rotation angle increased from 0° m to 20° and 45°, respectively, as shown in Table 5.13.



Tes Ar	ted Lighting rangement	12	14	16
Rot	ation Angle	0°	20°	45°
Aiming Angle of Luminaries		20°,20°, -20°,-20°	20°,20°,0°,0°	20°,20°,0°,0°
at	5	0.00	0.00	0.00
9 (P)	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
S	-5	0.03	0.13	0.03
tatic n π	-10	0.18	0.18	0.35
e R d) i	-15	0.13	0.14	0.19
anc Se (-20	0.10	0.11	0.13
and	-25	0.08	0.09	0.10
Lun Dist	-30	0.07	0.09	0.09
] bu	-35	0.07	0.08	0.08
eilii	-40	0.06	0.08	0.08
>	-45	0.06	0.07	0.07
Ave	erage V (V _{avg})	0.07	0.09	0.10
% C	hange in V _{avg}	0%	25%	44%
Maxi	imum V (V _{max})	0.18	0.18	0.35
% C	hange in V _{max}	0%	1%	98%

Table 5.13 Impact of Rotation Angle on Veiling Luminance Ratios at 20° Aiming Angle and 5 m Height

At an aiming angle of 45° on the other hand, the average veiling luminance ratio (V_{avg}) at the first line of sight first increased by 1% when the rotation angle increased from 0° to 20° and then experienced a noticeable reduction of 58% when the rotation angle increased from 0° to 45°, as shown in Table 5.14. Similarly when the aiming angle was 45° and height was 5m, the maximum veiling luminance ratio (V_{max}) at the first line of sight increased by 32% when the rotation angle increased from 0° to 20° and then experienced a reduction of 49% when the rotation angle increased from 0° to 45°, as shown in Table 5.14. In summary, the impact of the rotation angle on the veiling luminance ratio depends on the aiming angle and height, as shown in Figure



5.10. When the aiming angle is 20° and the height is 5 m, the center of the luminaires beam is aimed at a distance of 1.8 m from the base of the light tower as shown in arrangement A in Figure 5.10. Rotating the light tower in this arrangement by 20° and 45° will lead to a steady increase in the glare for drive-by motorists which are represented by the shown two lines of sight in the Figure. On the other hand when the aiming angle is 45° and the height is 5 m, the center of the luminaires beam is aimed at a distance of 5 m from the base of the light tower as shown in arrangement B in Figure 5.10. Rotating the light tower in this arrangement by 20° will cause an increase in the glare for drive-by motorists; however, a further increase in the rotation angle to 45° will shift the center of the luminaires beam and its associated glare farther away from the drive-by motorists in the adjacent lane, as shown in arrangement B in Figure 5.10.

Tested Lighting Arrangement		13	15	17
Rot	tation Angle	0°	20°	45°
Aim L	ing Angle of uminaries	45°,45°, -45°,-45°	45°,45°,0°,0°	45°,45°,0°,0°
	5	0.00	0.00	0.00
m tio	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Ra) in	-5	0.04	0.07	0.05
(q)	-10	0.36	1.02	0.35
ce	-15	0.77	0.69	0.39
nin an	-20	0.64	0.55	0.29
-un Dist	-25	0.59	0.48	0.20
g L at D	-30	0.53	0.43	0.21
ilin a) a	-35	0.49	0.40	0.13
Ve Ve	-40	0.47	0.37	0.12
	-45	0.43	0.35	0.08
Ave	rage V (V _{ang})	0.39	0.40	0.17
% C	hange in V _{avg}	0%	1%	-58%
Maxi	mum V (V _{max})	0.77	1.02	0.39
% CI	nange in V _{max}	0%	32%	-49%

Table 5.14 Impact of Rotation Angle on Veiling Luminance Ratios at 45° Aiming Angle and 5 m Height





Arrangement A: 20° Aiming Angle



Arrangement B: 45° Aiming Angle

Figure 5.10 Combined Impact of Aiming and Rotation Angles on Drive-by Motorists

5.1.4. Height of Vehicle/Observer

In order study and evaluate the impact of the height of the vehicle/observer on the veiling luminance ratio/glare (V) experienced by drive-by motorists, an additional experiment was conducted to measure glare from one balloon light at a height of 4.0 m for two types of vehicles. The first tested vehicle was a pickup truck that had a 1.77 m height line of sight while the second vehicle was a regular sedan that had a 1.3 m height line of sight. The test results indicated that increasing the height of the observer's eye from 1.3 m to 1.77 m caused a slight increase in the average veiling luminance ratio (V_{avg}) by 7% and 2% for first and second lines of sight, respectively. Similarly, the same increase in the height of the observer's eye caused a slight increase in the maximum veiling luminance ratio (V_{max}) by 12% and 3% for first and second lines of sight, respectively, as shown in Table 5.15 and Figures 5.11 and 5.12.



	First Line	of Sight	Second Line of Sigh	
Distance in m	Normal Car	Pick Up	Normal Car	Pick Up
5.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
-5.00	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.01
-10.00	0.39	0.43	0.20	0.21
-15.00	0.36	0.38	0.20	0.20
-20.00	0.33	0.35	0.18	0.18
-25.00	0.30	0.32	0.17	0.17
-30.00	0.27	0.29	0.15	0.15
-35.00	0.25	0.26	0.14	0.14
-40.00	0.22	0.24	0.13	0.13
-45.00	0.21	0.22	0.12	0.12
Average V (V _{avg})	0.21	0.23	0.12	0.12
% Change in V _{avg}	0%	7%	0%	2%
Maximum V (V _{max})	0.39	0.43	0.20	0.21
% Change in V _{max}	0%	12%	0%	3%

Table 5.15 Veiling Luminance Ratios Caused by Pickup Truck and Normal Car



Figure 5.11 Veiling Luminance Ratio for First Line of Sight for Pickup Truck and Normal Car





Figure 5.12 Veiling Luminance Ratio for Second Line of Sight for Pickup Truck and Normal Car

5.2. Practical Recommendations to Reduce Glare

Based on the findings of the field experiments, the following practical recommendations can be made to reduce and control glare in and around nighttime highway construction zone:

 The height of the light source should be increased as practically feasible. As shown in Figures 5.3 to 5.7, increasing the height of the light source provides significant reductions in the average and maximum veiling luminance ratios.
For example, increasing the height of light source reduced the average veiling luminance ratios in the conducted experiments by a range of (a) 22% to 48%



for one balloon light; (b) 12% to 39% for two balloon lights; (c) 16% to 24% for three balloon lights; and (d) 64% for one light tower.

- 2. The aiming and rotation angles for light towers should be kept as close as possible to 0°. The test results indicated that the veiling luminance ratios increase when the combined increase in the aiming and rotation angles leads to directing the center of the luminaires beam and its associated glare at the drive-by motorists in adjacent lanes, as shown in Figure 5.10.
- 3. The location of the maximum veiling luminance ratios for the tested lighting arrangement in the experiments all were found at a range of 10 m to 25 m before the light source, as shown in Tables 5.16 and 5.17. A resident engineer can identify from these tables the critical locations (i.e., distances from the light source) where the worst-case glare level is expected to occur for drive-by motorists, depending on the type and height of the utilized lighting equipment as shown in Tables 5.16 and 5.17. Accordingly, resident engineers can limit their measurement of vertical and horizontal illuminance only at these few critical locations in order to objectively and quantitatively verify that the level of glare generated by the lighting equipment on site is indeed within the allowable limits.



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Type of Light	Height in meter	Rotation Angle	Aiming Angles	Distance in meter from Light Source where Maximum Glare was Observed to Occur
One Balloon	3.5, 4.0, 4.5	NA	NA	10
Light	5	NA	NA	15
Two Balloon	4.0, 4.5	NA	NA	10
Lights	5	NA	NA	15
Three Balloon Lights	4,0, 4.5, 5.0	NA	NA	20
		0	0,0,0,0	10
			20,20,-20,-20	10
			45,45,-45,-45	15
	5	20	20,20,0,0	10
		20 45 0	45,45,0,0	10
			20,20,0,0	10
Light Tower			45,45,0,0	15
			0,0,0,0	20
			20,20,-20,-20	20
			45,45,-45,-45	25
	8.5	20	20,20,0,0	20
		20	45,45,0,0	25
		45	20,20,0,0	20
		40	45,45,0,0	25
Nite Lite	3.5	NA	NA	10

Table 5.16 Critical Locations where Maximum Veiling Luminance Ratio was Observed at First Line of Sight



Type of Light	Height in meter	Rotation Angle	Aiming Angles	Distance in meter from Light Source where MAX Glare was Observed to Occur
One Balloon	3.5, 4.0, 4.5	NA	NA	10
Light	5	NA	NA	15
Two Balloon	4.0, 4.5	NA	NA	10
Lights	5	NA	NA	15
Three Balloon Lights	4,0, 4.5, 5.0	NA	NA	20
		$\begin{array}{ c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c$	0,0,0,0	10
			20,20,-20,-20	10
			15	
	5		20,20,0,0	10
			45,45,0,0	10
		45	20,20,0,0	10
Light Towor			45,45,0,0	10
			0,0,0,0	20
		0	20,20,-20,-20	20
			45,45,-45,-45	25
	8.5	20	20,20,0,0	25
		20	45,45,0,0	20
		45	20,20,0,0	20
		40	45,45,0,0	20
Nite Lite	3.5	NA	NA	10

Table 5.17 Critical Locations where Maximum Veiling Luminance Ratio was Observed at Second Line of Sight

5.3. Summary

This chapter discussed and summarized the impact of the tested lighting parameters (i.e., type of light, height of light, aiming and rotation angles of light towers, and height of vehicle/observer) on the veiling luminance ratio experienced by drive-by motorists as well as their impact on the average horizontal illuminance and lighting uniformity ratio in the work area. Based on this analysis, a number of findings and practical recommendations were provided to control and reduce veiling luminance ratio/glare



including the need to (1) increase the height of the light source as practically feasible; and (2) keep the aiming and rotation angles for light towers as close as possible to 0°. The experiments results also enable resident engineers to identify the critical locations where the worst-case glare level is expected to occur for drive-by motorists (see Tables 5.16 and 5.17). Accordingly, resident engineers can limit their measurement to these few critical locations in order to objectively and quantitatively verify that the level of glare generated by the lighting equipment on site is within the allowable limits.



CHAPTER 6 PRACTICAL MODEL FOR CALCULATING VEILING LUMINANCE RATIO

This Chapter describes the development of a practical model to measure and control glare experienced by motorists driving in adjacent lanes to nighttime highway construction zones. The model development is designed to consider all the practical factors that were identified during the site visits and described in Chapter 3 of this report, including the need to provide a robust balance between practicality and accuracy to ensure that it can be efficiently and effectively used by resident engineers on nighttime highway construction sites.

Quantifying the levels of glare experienced by the traveling public next to nighttime construction sites can be performed using a variety of methods that provide a wide spectrum of practicality and accuracy as shown in Figure 6.1. On one end of the spectrum, the most practical and cost effective method for a resident engineer to quantify glare levels is to drive by the construction zone and subjectively determine if the existing levels of glare on site are acceptable or not. Despite the practicality and cost effectiveness of this method, it lacks accuracy and reliability (see Figure 6.1) and accordingly it can cause serious disputes between resident engineers and contractors.

On the opposite end of the spectrum, the most accurate and reliable method for a resident engineer to quantify glare levels is to perform exact measurements and calculations of the veiling luminance ratios in and around the construction site. This method is impractical and costly as it requires: (1) measuring the vertical illuminance



experienced by motorists in the exact locations of drive-by motorists which can only be accomplished if the traffic near the construction area is stopped to enable these static measurements to be taken safely; and (2) measuring the average pavement luminance using costly luminance meters. In order to overcome the limitations of these two extreme methods, the developed model is designed to perform the required measurements and computations in order to maximize practicality and cost effectiveness as well as accuracy and reliability as shown in Figure 6.1. The model is designed to enable resident engineers to measure the vertical illuminance data from safe locations inside the work zone while allowing the traffic in adjacent lanes to flow uninterrupted. These measurements can then be analyzed by the developed model to accurately calculate the vertical illuminance experienced by drive-by motorists in adjacent lanes. The developed model is also designed to accurately calculate the average pavement luminance based on the type of light instead of requiring resident engineers to measure these to accurately calculate these values on site using costly luminance meters.



Figure 6.1 Accuracy and Practicality of Developed Model



6.1. Model Computations

The developed model for quantifying nighttime glare is named "Glare Measurement Model" (G2M). The G2M is designed to measure and calculate the veiling luminance ratio (glare) experienced by drive-by motorists in five stages: (1) vertical illuminance measurements inside the work zone; (2) vertical illuminance calculation at motorists' locations; (3) veiling luminance calculation; (4) pavement luminance calculation, and (5) veiling luminance ratio calculation. The following five sections describe these measurement and computational stages of the G2M model.

6.1.1. Stage 1: Vertical Illuminance Measurements Inside the Work Zone

The first step in quantifying the veiling luminance ratio (glare) in the present model requires measuring the vertical illuminance (VE) inside a safe area within the construction zone. These measurements need to be performed by resident engineers on site and need to comply with the following requirements:

- (1) The resident engineer needs to use an illuminance meter to measure the vertical illuminance caused by the construction lighting equipment on site. The illuminance meter needs to be positioned at a 1.45 m height to simulate the same average height and orientation of drive-by motorists' eyes in compliance with the IESNA/ANSI RP-8-00 recommendations (IESNA 2004).
- (2) The resident engineer needs to measure the vertical illuminance while standing as close as possible to the construction drums inside the work zone. As shown in Figure 6.2, these measurement locations represent the



shortest safe distance between safe locations inside the work zone and the first and second lines of sight for the traveling motorists in adjacent lanes.

(3) The locations of measurements needs to cover the identified critical locations shown in Table 6.1 which identifies the locations where the maximum veiling luminance ratio was observed in the conducted field experiments. Moreover, the model provides the resident engineer with the capability of calculating the critical location where the expected maximum veiling luminance ratio will occur based on the location, height, and type of the utilized construction lighting equipment.



Figure 6.2 Resident Engineer Locations to Measure Vertical Illuminance

6.1.2. Stage 2: Vertical Illuminance Calculation at Motorists Locations

The vertical illuminance values in the previous stage were measured inside the work zone, as shown in Figure 6.2. These values are different from the actual vertical illuminance experienced at the motorists' first and second lines of sight and they need to be adjusted accordingly. To make this necessary adjustment, the model incorporates newly developed regression models that are capable of accurately



calculating the vertical illuminance values at the first and second lines of sight based on the measured values inside the work zone shown in Figure 6.2. These regression models were developed based on the data collected during the field experiments that were summarized Chapter 4. The data collection process and the development of these regression models are explained in more detail in section 6.3 of this report.

Type of Light	Height (meter)	Rotation Angle (degree)	Aiming Angles (degree)	Distance in meter from Light Source where Maximum Glare was Observed	
				1 st Line of Sight	2 nd Line of Sight
One Balloon Light	3.5, 4.0, 4.5	NA	NA	10	10
	5	NA	NA	15	15
Two Balloon Lights	4.0, 4.5	NA	NA	10	10
	5	NA	NA	15	15
Three Balloon Lights	4,0, 4.5, 5.0	NA	NA	20	20
Light Tower	5		0,0,0,0	10	10
		0	20,20,-20,-20	10	10
			45,45,-45,-45	15	15
		20	20,20,0,0	10	10
			45,45,0,0	10	10
		45	20,20,0,0	10	10
			45,45,0,0	15	10
	8.5	0	0,0,0,0	20	20
			20,20,-20,-20	20	20
			45,45,-45,-45	25	25
		20	20,20,0,0	20	25
			45,45,0,0	25	20
		45	20,20,0,0	20	20
			45,45,0,0	25	20



6.1.3. Stage 3: Veiling Luminance Calculation

The veiling luminance computations in this stage are implemented using the veiling luminance formula recommended by the Illuminating Engineering Society of North America standard in roadway lighting (IESNA 2004). The IESNA equation is used in the G2M model to calculate the veiling luminance as follows:

$$VL = \frac{10 * VE}{\theta^n} \tag{6.1}$$

$$n = 2.3 - 0.7 * \log_{10}(\theta)$$
 For $\theta < 2^{\circ}$ (6.2)

$$n = 2$$
 For $\theta > 2^{\circ}$ (6.3)

Where,

- VL = Veiling luminance from the light source;
- VE = Vertical illuminance calculated using the regression models in stage 2; and
- e the angle between the line of sight at the observer's location and the line connecting the observer's eye and the luminaire as shown in Figure 6.3;





Figure 6.3 Veiling Luminance Calculations

6.1.4. Stage 4: Pavement Luminance Calculation

The veiling luminance calculated in the previous stage needs to be divided by the pavement luminance (PL_{avg}) experienced by drive-by motorists in order to calculate the veiling luminance ratio (glare). Measuring the pavement luminance at the first and second lines of sight (see Figure 6.2) is costly and impractical as it requires the use of expensive luminance meters and stopping the traffic in adjacent lanes to enable the static measurement of these luminance values. In order to overcome this limitation, the G2M model is designed to calculate the values of PL_{avg} using regression techniques. These techniques were selected over other techniques that utilize the R-value Tables described earlier in section 2.4.3 in Chapter 2 due to the inaccuracies of these Tables. A recent study that was conducted with this project to evaluate the accuracies of the R Tables found that measured R-values were 20% greater than the IESNA standard values for concrete surfaces (R1), 84% greater for R2 standard surfaces, and 95% greater for R3 standard surfaces (Hassan et al. 2008). Instead of



utilizing these inaccurate R-Tables in calculating the pavement luminance, the present model utilizes regression analysis. Using statistical regression, the G2M model correlates data collected during the field experiments on adjacent lanes with actual measurements, thereby creating a predictive model to calculate the glare values without directly measuring them at unsafe locations in open traffic lanes. The data collection process and the development of these regression models are explained in more details in section 6.3.

6.1.5. Stage 5: Veiling Luminance Ratio (Glare) Calculation

In this stage, the model is designed to calculate the veiling luminance ratios (V) experienced by drivers approaching the work zone based on the vertical luminance values (VL) calculated in stage 2 and the average pavement luminance (PL_{avg}) calculated in stage 4 in compliance with IESNA recommendations as shown in Equation 6.4.

$$V = \frac{VL}{PL_{avg}}$$
(6.4)

6.2. User Interface

The model is implemented as a spread sheet application that runs on Microsoft Excel. The graphical user interface of the model is designed to minimize data input requirements to those that are absolutely necessary to calculate the veiling luminance ratio such as the type and arrangements of lighting equipment on site and vertical illuminance measurements at safe locations inside the work zone. Other data such as pavement luminance are automatically generated and utilized by the model in its



various calculation steps. As such, the model includes two types of input data: (1) optional data which provide general and useful information on the project but they are not essential in the computations; and (2) required data which are needed to perform the calculations in the G2M model.

First, the optional data input are designed to help resident engineers in recording and tracking the time and location of measurements as well as the weather conditions during the measurements. As shown in Figure 6.4, this optional data include: (1) the project name; (2) the project location; (3) the date of measurements; (4) the type of the construction activity observed; (5) the time of measurements; (6) the weather conditions during the measurements (e.g. cloud conditions, temperature, humidity, and wind speed); and (7) any additional description deemed necessary by the resident engineer.

Second, the required data needed to perform the necessary computations of the veiling luminance ratio include: (1) the selection of the type of light (i.e., balloon light or light tower) and its location; and (2) the vertical illuminance measurements obtained by the resident engineer at the critical locations. Based on this required input data, the model performs the necessary computations and displays the calculated veiling luminance ratios as shown in Figure 6.5. A typical user interface session in the model involves the following five main steps.



General Information When Taking the Measurment				
Project Name:	I-74			
Location of Project:	Champaign, IL			
Date:	Thursday, Nov 9th, 2006			
Construction Activity:	Paving Bituminous Surfaces Activity			
Time:	11:00 PM			
Cloud:	Clear			
Temprature:	33 F			
Humidity:	70%			
Wind:	5 mph			
Additional Information:				

Figure 6.4 Optional Input Data

6.2.1. Input Lighting Equipment Data

In this first step of the user interface, the resident engineer needs to select the type of construction lighting equipment used on site, as shown in section 1 in Figure 6.5. The two types of lighting equipment that the current model is capable of supporting are light towers and balloon lights which are the most commonly used types of lighting equipment in nighttime highway construction. The model is also designed to generate a customized set of input data fields that are specific to the selected type of lighting equipment. For example, if a balloon light is selected, the model provides the user the option to input the location and height for up to three balloon lights, as shown in Figure 6.6. The input location of the light includes a lateral and longitudinal distances as shown in Figure 6.7.





Figure 6.5 Graphical User Interface

If a light tower is selected, the model automatically generates two input data fields for the aiming and rotation angles of the light tower in addition to the required location and height inputs, as shown in Figure 6.6. It should be noted that the current model is designed to calculate the glare caused by one light tower at a time. This feature was designed in the model based on the findings of the site visits that confirmed that the closest distance between two adjacent light towers in the visited sites was greater



than 30 m which significantly reduces the combined impact of adjacent light towers on the calculation of the veiling luminance ratio.

Select Type	of Light		
Balloon Lig	jht –		
Input Locat	ion and Heig	ht of Light:	
Light #	Lateral Distance (meter)	Longitudinal Distance (meter)	Height (meter)
1	1.92	0	4



Figure 6.6 Input Data for Different Types of Lighting Equipment





6.2.2. Calculate Critical Locations of Maximum Glare

In this step, the model can be used to calculate and display the critical location where the maximum veiling luminance ratio (glare) is expected to occur based on the type,



location, and height of the lighting equipment on site, as shown in section 2 in Figure 6.5. This enables resident engineers to focus on measuring and evaluating glare in only the critical locations where the maximum levels of glare are expected, and thereby minimize their measurement time and effort on site.

6.2.3. Input Measured Vertical Illuminance

In this step, the resident engineer needs to input the measured vertical illuminance values at the locations recommended by IESNA. In the model, the input data is divided into the three following sub sections, as shown in Figure 6.5.

<u>Section 3.1</u>: In this section, the model calculates and highlights the critical location identified in the previous step to enable the resident engineer to focus on measuring the vertical illuminance at this location where maximum glare is expected.

<u>Section 3.2</u>: This section enables the resident engineer to measure vertical illuminance values in various locations in the grid recommended by IESNA in order to further evaluate the veiling luminance ratios in these locations.

<u>Section 3.3</u>: This section includes the input fields for the measured vertical illuminance values at the calculated critical location and/or the IESNA recommended locations.

6.2.4. Calculate Veiling Luminance Ratio

In this step, the resident engineer can perform the calculation of the veiling luminance ratio (glare) by pressing the button shown in section 4 of Figure 6.5. These computations are performed following the earlier described steps in section 1.1 of this report.


6.2.5. Display Veiling Luminance Ratio (Glare)

As shown in section 5 of Figure 6.5, the model displays the calculated veiling luminance ratio (glare) for the first and second lines of sight of the drive-by motorist near the construction site. These results are displayed using four different background colors to represent the severity of the veiling luminance ratio (glare) levels. These four background colors are automatically generated and displayed as follows: (1) white for veiling luminance ratio (V) values less than 0.4; (2) yellow for V values that range between 0.4 and 0.8; (3) orange for V values that range between 0.8 and 1.2; and (4) red for V values that exceed 1.2.

6.3. Regression Models

This section presents the development of two types of regression models to support the computational steps in the G2M model described in the previous Chapter. These regression models are designed to calculate (1) the vertical illuminance values experienced by drivers in adjacent lanes to the work zone based on the measured values at safe locations inside the work zone, as shown in Figure 6.2; and (2) the average pavement luminance (PL_{avg}) experienced by drive-by motorists based on the type and arrangement of lighting equipment. These models are developed based on the data collected during the field experiments that were summarized in Chapter 4. The following subsections present the following: (1) the data collection process; (2) an overview of the utilized regression analysis; (3) the development of vertical illuminance regression models, and (4) the development of pavement luminance regression models.



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6.3.1. Data Collection

As explained in Chapter 4, the field experiments were conducted using a two-lane road to simulate a nighttime work zone in the first lane and an open traffic lane in the second. The simulated work zone layout was set up by formulating the grid of the construction zone into equally spaced points of 5 m. The data collection was performed in three steps: (1) measuring the vertical illuminance (VE) in a safe area next to the construction cones inside the simulated work zone; (2) measuring the vertical illuminance (VE) at the first and second lines of sight for drive-by motorist inside the simulated open traffic lane; and (3) measuring the average pavement luminance (PL_{avg}) experienced by the drive-by motorist. The locations of these measurements were in compliance with the recommendation provided by the Illuminating Engineering Society of North America (IESNA 2004) for isolated traffic conflict areas (partial or non-continuous intersection lighting) due to the similarity between the lighting conditions in these areas and those encountered in nighttime highway construction zones. In particular, IESNA recommends that the area for veiling luminance ratio (glare) measurements should extend from one mounting height of the light pole in front of the light to 45 m before that point and the grid increment should be 5 m as explained in Chapter 4 and as shown in Figure 6.8.



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Figure 6.8 Veiling Luminance Grid Locations Recommended by IESNA.

6.3.1.1. Vertical Illuminance Measurements Inside the Work Zone

Vertical illuminance values were measured inside the work zone to simulate the measurements that a resident engineer can safely take within the work zone and without interrupting the flow of traffic in adjacent lanes, as shown in Figure 6.9. The longitudinal spacing between these measurement locations was selected in compliance with the locations recommended by IESNA/ANSI RP-8-00 when measuring the VE experienced by the traveling public, as shown in the grid in Figure 6.9. Each measurement was taken using an illuminance meter while standing inside the work zone in a safe area that is close to the construction cones. The illuminance meter was positioned at a height of 1.45 m above the street level to simulate the height of the line of sight for a drive-by motorist as recommended by IESNA/ANSI RP-8-00 (IESNA 2004). The first measurement was taken at point 1 (see Figure 6.2) then the next were taken at 5 m intervals along a safe line inside the construction site (i.e., next to the construction cones) until the end of the shown grid.





Figure 6.9 Veiling Luminance Grid Locations in Field Tests

6.3.1.2. Vertical Illuminance Measurements at First and Second Lines of Sight

Vertical illuminance values were measured at the first and second lines of sight in the open traffic lane (see Figure 6.9) to calculate the vertical illuminance experienced by drive-by motorists at these locations. The locations for measuring and calculating the RP-8-00 selected based the **IESNA/ANSI** veiling luminance were on recommendations as shown in Figure 6.8. Accordingly, the vertical illuminance (VE) was measured using an illuminance meter at each location on the grid for both lines of sight. As explained in Chapter 4, all the VE measurements were taken from inside the car to simulate the vertical illuminance experienced by nighttime drivers passing by the construction zone. The first measurement for the first line of sight was taken at point 1 (see Figure 6.2) and then the car was moved 5 m along the first line of sight and the next reading was taken. This process repeats until the end of the grid is reached. Upon the completion of measurements along the first line of sight, the car was repositioned on the second line of sight which is 1.88 m separated from the first line of sight and the process was repeated for the rest of the grid points.



6.3.1.3. Pavement Luminance Measurements and Calculations

The pavement luminance was measured using a luminance meter for each grid point shown in Figure 6.10. Based on IESNA recommendations, the observer was located at a distance of 83.07 m from each grid point on a line parallel to the centerline of the roadway (IESNA 2004). The height of the observer's eyes was also 1.45 m in compliance with the IESNA recommendations which results in a downward direction of view of one degree.



Figure 6.10 Measurement Procedure for Pavement Luminance

The pavement luminance was measured using a luminance meter inside the car to simulate the conditions experienced by motorists driving by the construction zone. The first pavement luminance measurement at point 1 on the first line of sight ($PL_{1,1}$) was taken by positioning the car and observer at point A at a distance of 83.07 m from point 1, as shown in Figure 6.3. The car was then moved 5 m along the first line of sight and the next reading was taken until the last pavement luminance reading



 $(PL_{27,1})$ is reached. Upon the completion of measurements for the first line of sight, the car was repositioned at point B on the second line of sight which is 1.88 m separated from the first line of sight and the process was repeated for the rest of the grid points. The average pavement luminance was then calculated by averaging the pavement luminance measurements for all the points in the grid shown in Figure 6.10.

To facilitate the collection of the aforementioned data, the form shown in Figure 6.11 was used for each lighting arrangement to record the location and height of the light source, the measured vertical illuminance values inside the work zone, the measured vertical illuminance values for the first line of sight, the measured vertical illuminance values for the second line of sight, and the measured pavement luminance values. To improve efficiency, the data collection procedure was performed by three researchers who preformed the following tasks at each measurement location: (1) the first researcher took the measurements; (2) the second recorded the measurements using the form shown in Figure 6.4; and (3) the third helped with identifying the 83.07 m location that is in front of the car for the pavement luminance measurements requirement.



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Light Type	Balloon
Light Height (m)	4.5
Longitudinal Distance	0
Lateral Distance	-1

Γ	٦		Pavement Measu	Luminance rements		E C		
	Cones #	-	1st Line of Sight	2nd Line of Sight		Lateral	st Line of Sight	
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	2 P	νL =	0.19	0.09		F		
	3 P	νL =	0.25	0.10		ource ource	Y Y	
	4 P	νL =	0.36	0.22		5 11		
	<u>5 P</u>	PL =	1.00	0.75		•		
_	<u>6 P</u>	<u>י</u> L =	1.80	0.91		ò		
	<u>7 P</u>	2L =	3.50	2.10			E	
	<u>8 P</u>	<u>"L =</u>	4.00	2.71		*	~	
L	9 P	<u>'L =</u>	4.70	3.18			3.7 n	
_		″L =	5.47	3.50				
-	11 P	<u>'L =</u>	3.00	2.00		Longitudii	nal	
-	12 P	'L =	1.90	1.00		Distance		
4	13 P	YL =	1.40	0.70		Vertical III	uminance Measure	ments
-	14 P	PL =	1.20	0.59				
-	15 P	PL =	0.98	0.31		1st Line of Siaht	2nd Line of Siaht	Const
Ľ	16 P	<u>יר -</u>	0.70	0.24		--		Co
-	17 P	۲L =	0.50	0.14	VE =	0.70	0.70	1
-	18 P	PL =	0.44	0.13	VE =	0.95	0.90	1
-	19 P	νL =	0.36	0.12	VE =	1.30	1.20	2
1	20 P	νL =	0.35	0.11	VE =	1.85	1.85	3
	21 P	νL =	0.30	0.13	VE =	2.75	2.75	4
	22 P	νL =	0.25	0.13	VE =	4.45	4.15	7
	23 P	νL =	0.22	0.12	VE =	8.75	8.10	13
	24 P	νL =	0.20	0.11	VE =	19.80	18.50	34
	25 P	νL =	0.16	0.10	VE =	2.25	2.15	11
	2 <u>6</u> P	νL =	0.13	0.09	VE =	3.25	2.30	33
	27 P	νL =	0.11	0.01	VE =	1.80	0.60	4
Γ	•	Av	erage PL =	0.9883				

Figure 6.11 Data Recording Form



Construction

Cones

1.10

1.45

2.00

3.00

4.50

7.20

13.70

34.00

117.00

33.70

4.90

6.3.2. Overview of Regression Analysis

The main purpose of regression analysis is to quantify the relationship between several independent or predictor variables and a dependent variable. The following two sections discuss: (1) the type of regression analysis used in this study to predict the dependent variables (i.e., vertical illuminance at first and second lines of sight and the average pavement luminance); and (2) the regression analysis procedure and results.

6.3.2.1. High-Level and Stepwise Regression Analysis

The high-level regression analysis is a combination of factorial and polynomial regression. The factorial regression analysis presents the relationship between the dependent variable and the possible products of the independent variables (StatSoft 2007). For example a factorial regression formula for two independent variables can be given by the following equation:

$$Y = a_0 + a_1 O + a_2 P + a_3 (O^* P)$$
(6.5)

Where; a_1 , a_2 , and a_3 represent the independent contributions of each term in the formula to the prediction of the dependent variable "Y" (StateSoft 2007; Cryer and Miller 1991).

The polynomial regression analysis explains the relationship between the dependent variable and the higher-order effect of the independent variables. This analysis does not provide an interaction between the independent variables in the equation (StatSoft



2007). For example, the relationship between Y and two independent variables O and P can be presented by the following polynomial regression formula:

$$Y = a_0 + a_1 O + a_2 O^2 + a_3 P + a_4 P^2$$
(6.6)

The high-level regression analysis provides a combination between the two aforementioned regression analyses. It considers several designs in the relationship: (1) the first-order of the independent variable; (2) the higher-order of the independent variables; and (3) the interaction between all possible combinations (StatSoft 2007). For example, the independent variables O and P present the relationship with the dependent variable Y using the following high-level regression equation:

$$Y = a_0 + a_1 O + a_2 O^2 + a_3 P + a_4 P^2 + a_5 (O * P) + a_6 (O * P^2) + a_7 (P * O^2) + a_8 (O^{2*}P^2) + a_8 (O * O^2) + a_9 (P * P^2)$$
(6.7)

The type of interaction between the variables in equation 2.3 is known as 2-way interaction (StatSoft 2007). Further analysis can also be accomplished by applying a 3-way interaction between the independent variables. This high level of interactions will help in exploring more combinations between the independent variable (StatSoft 2007). For example, a 3-way interaction of the same variables in equation (6.7) will be as follows:



$$Y = a0 + a1 O + a2 O2 + a3 P + a4 P2 + a5 (O * P) + a6 (O * P2) + a7 (P * O2)$$

+ a8 (O2*P2) + a8 (O * O2) + a9 (P * P2) + a10 (P*O*P2) + a11 (P*O*O2) +
a12 (P*P2*O2) + a13 (O*P2*O2) (6.8)

High-level regression analysis with 3-way interaction might generate a large number of terms that are not fully capable of predicting the dependent variable (Y). However, these terms might affect the results and lower the prediction capability of the suggested regression model. In order to overcome this problem, "step wise" regression techniques are applied in this analysis to eliminate any terms that do not contribute significantly in explaining the dependent variable (Kovoor and Nandagiri 2007; StatSoft 2007; Cryer and Miller 1991).

6.3.2.2. Regression Analysis Procedure and Results

The analyses explained in the following sections adapted the high-level regression analyses and were evaluated using Sagata Regression Pro software. The software has the capability to perform high-level regression analysis with a 3-way interaction of the independent variables. In addition, the "step wise" regression technique was applied so as to generate the best combination of terms which contribute significantly in explaining the dependent variable. For each of the developed regression models in this study, the regression procedure and results are summarized in five main steps:

(1) <u>Correlation</u>: The independent variables are tested to ensure that they are not dependent on each other. This is accomplished by calculating the correlation coefficient. In case there are more than two variables, a correlation matrix is generated to show the correlation between the tested



variables. The value of a correlation coefficient can vary from -1 to +1, where the coefficient indicates a perfect negative correlation for -1 and a perfect positive correlation for +1. A correlation of 0 means there is no relationship between the two variables.

- (2) <u>Summary of statistics</u>: In this section, two criteria are presented for each regression model: (i) the coefficient of determination (R²) which indicates how close the match is between the predictions from the model and the measured values from the field tests. R² values range from 0 to 1 where values close to 1 indicate a good match and those close to 0 indicate a poor match; and (ii) R²-adj which has similar interpretation as R² but seeks to circumvent some of the limitations of R² (Sagata Regression Pro 2004).
- (3) <u>Analysis of Variance (ANOVA)</u>: This analysis shows how much of the analyzed data variation is explained by the developed model.
- (4) <u>Coefficients Tables</u>: This table presents: (i) the final generated terms of the regression model; and (ii) the coefficient estimates for each term.
- (5) <u>Residuals Table</u>: This section presents a table that shows: (i) the predicted values generated by the model; (ii) the observed values based on the collected data; (iii) the residuals; and (iv) the percentage of the residuals compared to the measured values from the field tests.

6.3.3. Vertical Illuminance Regression Models

A number of regression models were developed to predict the vertical illuminance values experienced by drivers in lanes adjacent to the work zone based on the



measured values at safe locations inside the work zone. The following sections describe the development of these models for four commonly used lighting arrangements in nighttime construction sites: one balloon light, two balloon lights, three balloon lights, and one light tower.

6.3.3.1. One Balloon Light

In this analysis, the dependent variable of the regression model is the vertical illuminance values at the first and second lines of sight. The independent variables are: (1) the vertical illuminance values measured by a resident engineer at a safe zone inside the work zone (WZ); and (2) the height of the balloon light (H). The correlation between the two independent variables WZ and H was measured and was found to be -0.055 which emphasizes that there is no correlation between these two independent variables.

Table 6.2 shows a summary of the statistics for the regression models of the first and second line of sight. The summary shows there is a close match between the predictions from the generated model and the collected data from the field tests.

Criterion	First Line of Sight	Second Line of Sight
R ²	0.99974	0.99971
R ² -adj	0.99970	0.99966

 Table 6.2 Summary of Statistics for One Balloon Light

Additionally, Table 6.3 presents the analysis of variance (ANOVA) which strongly indicates that there is a close match between the measured vertical illuminance values at the first and second line of sight and the calculated vertical illuminance using the developed regression model. Table 6.4 presents the coefficients of the terms for the regression models for the first and second line of sight produced by the software used.

Regression Models	Mean Square Error	F	p-value	Interpretation
First Line of Sight	0.00912	24713.25	< 0.0001	Significant
Second Line of Sight	0.00906	22095.03	< 0.0001	Significant

Table 6.3 ANOVA Analysis for One Balloon Light

Table 6.4 Coefficient Terms of the Regression Models for One Balloon Light

Regression Models	Term	Coefficient
	Constant	0.226877
	WZ	0.614866
First Line of Sight	WZ²	0.015101
	WZ*H	-0.028983
	WZ³	-0.000364
	Constant	0.148578
	WZ	0.723988
Second Line of Sight	WZ²	0.007484
	WZ*H	-0.045271
	WZ ³	-0.000202

Finally, Table 6.5 presents the prediction values for the first and second line of sight that are generated by the regression model. Furthermore, the residuals of the predicted values are also presented to compare with the field-measured vertical illuminance. Table 6.5 presented and focused on the values that are only calculated and measured at the critical locations of the tested lighting arrangements in

compliance with the Illuminating Engineering Society of North America recommendations (IESNA 2004). It shows that the model was capable of predicting the values of the vertical illuminance at the critical locations for the first and second line of sight with residuals percentile that ranges from -0.3% to 1.2% and from -0.2% to 0.7% for first and second line of sight models respectively.

Regression	Liahtina	VE	VE	Residuals	
Models	Arrangement	Measured (lux)	Prediction (lux)	Value	%
	H = 3.5 m	16.65	16.52	0.130	0.8%
Eirot Lino of Sight	H = 4.0 m	20.80	20.78	0.015	0.1%
	H = 4.5 m	19.80	19.85	-0.055	-0.3%
	H = 5.0 m	8.70	8.60	0.102	1.2%
	H = 3.5 m	15.50	15.52	-0.024	-0.2%
Second Line of	H = 4.0 m	20.00	19.96	0.038	0.2%
Sight	H = 4.5 m	18.50	18.54	-0.045	-0.2%
	H = 5.0 m	7.94	7.88	0.059	0.7%

Table 6.5 Residuals Summary for One Balloon Light Lighting Arrangements

% = (Residuals Value / VE Measured) x 100%

6.3.3.2. Two Balloon Lights

The two balloon lights models have the same dependent and independent variables as the one balloon light. The correlation between these two independent variables (WZ and H) is equal to -0.185 which emphasizes that no correlation exists between these independent variables. Moreover, Table 6.6 presents a summary of the statistics of the two regression models which strongly indicates that there is a close match between the prediction of the vertical illuminance values and the measured vertical illuminance during the field experiment.

Criterion	First Line of Sight	Second Line of Sight
R ²	0.99949	0.99985
R²-adj	0.99941	0.99982

Table 6.6 Summary of Statistics for Two Balloon Lights

Table 6.7 presents the analysis of variance (ANOVA) which indicates that the differences between the evaluated data at the first and second line of sight and the prediction values are very close, meaning that the regression model is very good. Table 6.8 presents the coefficients of the regression models terms for the first and second lines of sight.

Table 6.7 ANOVA Analysis for Two Balloon Lights

Regression Models	Mean Square Error	F	p-value	Interpretation
First Line of Sight	0.03851	12446.94	< 0.0001	Significant
Second Line of Sight	0.00930	30953.85	< 0.0001	Significant

Table 6.8 Coefficient Terms of the Regression Models for Two Balloon Lights

Regression Models	Term	Coefficients
	Constant	-0.542985
First Ling of Sight	WZ	0.649677
	WZ²	-0.001390
	H³	0.005615
	Constant	-0.016092
	WZ	1.884680
Second Line of Sight	WZ*H	-0.603383
	WZ²*H	-0.000430
	WZ*H ²	0.071059

The residuals of the predicted values for the critical locations of the lighting arrangements are shown in Table 6.9. The results indicate that the first and second

lines of sight regression models are capable of predicting the vertical illuminance at the critical locations with % residuals ranging from 1.2% to 1.4% and from -0.3% to 0.9% for first and second line of sight models, respectively.

Regression	Lighting	VE	VE	Residuals	
Models	Arrangement	Measured (lux)	Prediction (lux)	Value	%
	H = 4.0 m	30.20	29.84	0.358	1.2%
First Line of Sight	H = 4.5 m	28.60	28.98	-0.378	-1.3%
	H = 5.0 m	12.65	12.48	0.172	1.4%
	H = 4.0 m	27.00	26.95	0.047	0.2%
Second Line of Sight	H = 4.5 m	25.50	25.57	-0.066	-0.3%
olgin	H = 5.0 m	12.00	11.90	0.103	0.9%

Table 6.9 Residuals Summary for Two Balloon Lights Lighting Arrangements

% = (Residuals Value / VE Measured) x 100%

6.3.3.3. Three Balloon Lights

The three balloon lights have similar independent variables (WZ and H) as the one balloon light and the two balloon lights. The correlation coefficient for the WZ and H independent variables in this data is equal to -0.0712 which does not show any dependency between the two variables. As for the summary of the statistics, Table 6.10 shows good R^2 and R^2 -adj values. These values indicate that there is a close match between the prediction of the VE values and the tested VE values that were measured from the field tests.

Table 6.10 Summary of Statistics for Three Balloon Lights

Criterion	First Line of Sight	Second Line of Sight	
R ²	0.99902	0.99785	
R²-adj	0.99893	0.99765	

Moreover, the ANOVA analysis in Table 6.11 indicates that both regression models of the first and second lines of sight are significant and presented well by the generated model (p-value < 0.0001). Table 6.12 presents the coefficient of the terms that are included in both regression models for the two lines of sight. Finally, the residual output is presented in Table 6.13 and indicates that % of the residual compared to the measured values at the critical locations of the observer range from -0.2% to 1.7% and from -1.5% to 2.0% for first and second line of sight models respectively.

Table 6.11 ANOVA Analysis for Three Balloon Lights

Regression Models	Mean Square Error	F	p-value	Interpretation
First Line of Sight	0.04461	10738.89	< 0.0001	Significant
Second Line of Sight	0.09295	4877.89	< 0.0001	Significant

Table 6.12 Coefficient	Ferms of the Regression	Models for Three	Balloon Lights
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Regression Models	Term	Coefficient
	const	-0.743106
First Line of Sight	WZ	0.613257
	Н	0.161080
Second Line of Sight	const	-0.406034
	WZ	0.596455
	Н	0.107127

Regression	Liahtina	VE	VE	Residuals	
Models	Arrangement	Measured (lux)	Prediction (lux)	Value	%
First Line of Sight	H = 4.0 m	25.00	25.04	-0.045	-0.2%
	H = 4.5 m	19.00	18.69	0.314	1.7%
	H = 5.0 m	19.00	19.07	-0.073	-0.4%
Second Line of Sight	H = 4.0 m	24.00	24.48	-0.477	-2.0%
	H = 4.5 m	18.00	18.27	-0.268	-1.5%
	H = 5.0 m	19.00	18.62	0.380	2.0%

% = (Residuals Value / VE Measured) x 100%

6.3.3.4. One Light Tower

For the light tower analysis, the dependent variable is similar to balloon lights; however, the independent variables list is different and they includes: (1) the vertical illuminance values measured during the test in the simulated safe zone inside the construction site (WZ); (2) the height of the light tower (H); (3) the rotation angle of the light tower (RA); and (4) the aiming angles of the luminaires (AA). The correlation coefficients between these independent variables are presented in a correlation matrix as shown in Table 6.14. The matrix indicates no strong correlation between the considered independent variables in the regression models which range from 0.015 to 0.304.

Independent Variable	WZ	Н	RA	AA
WZ	1	-0.178	0.015	0.297
Н		1	-0.015	-0.031
RA			1	0.304
AA				1

Table 6.14 Matrix of Independent Variable Correlation Coefficients

The summary of statistics for the two generated regression models indicates a close match between the vertical illuminance generated by the models and those that are measured during the field tests, as shown in Table 6.15. Additionally, the analysis of variance shown in Table 6.16 shows the differences between the predicted and measured vertical illuminance are statistically small so that the regression model is indeed an effective one.

Criterion	First Line of Sight	Second Line of Sight
R^2	0.99882	0.99788
R ² -adj	0.99865	0.99766

Table 6.15 Summary of Statistics for Light Tower

Table 6.16 ANOVA Analysis for Light Tower

Regression Models	Mean Square Error	F	p-value	Interpretation
First Line of Sight	0.913	5722.95	< 0.0001	Significant
Second Line of Sight	1.58	4496.92	< 0.0001	Significant

Table 6.17 presents the coefficients of the terms generated by the software using the high-level regression with 3-way interaction methodology for the first and second lines of sight. Finally, Table 6.18 presents: (1) the predicted VE values; (2) the residuals of the predicted values; and (3) the % of the residuals compared to the measured VE. It shows that the model was capable of predicting the values of the vertical illuminance with % of residuals ranging from 0.0% to 11.5% and from 0.2% to 23.1% for the first and second line of sight models, respectively.

Regression Models	Term	Coefficients
	Constant	0.123216
	WZ	0.494408
	WZ*H	0.013241
	WZ*RA	0.022795
	WZ*AA	-0.012059
	WZ ³	0.000004
First Line of Sight	AA ³	-0.00008
	WZ²*H	-0.000264
	WZ²*RA	-0.000043
	WZ*H*RA	-0.001130
	WZ*RA ²	-0.000146
	WZ*RA*AA	-0.000144
	WZ*AA ²	0.000328
	Constant	0.303237
	WZ	0.482967
	WZ*RA	0.022490
	WZ*AA	-0.018932
Second Line of Sight	H*AA	0.003446
	WZ ² *RA	-0.000016
	WZ*H*RA	-0.000896
	WZ*RA ²	-0.000159
	WZ*RA*AA	-0.000138
	WZ*AA ²	0.000432

Table 6.17 Coefficient Terms of the Regression Models for Light Tower

Baaraalaa	Lighting Arrangement			VE	VE	Residuals	
Models	Height (m)	Rotation Angle	Aiming Angle	Measured (lux)	Prediction (lux)	Value	%
			0°	14.74	14.82	-0.080	-0.5%
		0°	20°	26.00	26.12	-0.120	-0.5%
			45°	78.30	79.45	-1.150	-1.5%
	5	200	20°	22.20	22.35	-0.146	-0.7%
		20	45°	216.00	215.96	0.044	0.0%
		15°	20°	51.00	50.08	0.919	1.8%
First Line of		40	45°	37.00	34.22	2.778	7.5%
Sight			0°	3.87	3.90	-0.030	-0.8%
		0°	20°	8.00	7.54	0.465	5.8%
			45°	36.70	35.83	0.874	2.4%
	8.5	20°	20°	15.70	17.51	-1.809	-11.5%
			45°	23.50	23.70	-0.205	-0.9%
		45°	20°	10.20	11.11	-0.911	-8.9%
			45°	11.90	10.79	1.107	9.3%
		0°	0°	13.60	13.78	-0.178	-1.3%
			20°	18.10	19.78	-1.676	-9.3%
			45°	68.90	71.96	-3.056	-4.4%
	5	20°	20°	21.20	19.39	1.814	8.6%
		20	45°	214.00	213.57	0.427	0.2%
		45°	20°	55.00	55.47	-0.466	-0.8%
Second Line		40	45°	87.00	88.75	-1.749	-2.0%
of Sight			0°	3.60	3.38	0.220	6.1%
		0°	20°	7.00	5.38	1.620	23.1%
			45°	32.30	32.00	0.303	0.9%
	8.5	20°	20°	9.70	7.88	1.824	18.8%
		20	45°	38.80	42.44	-3.642	-9.4%
		45°	20°	10.25	10.03	0.221	2.2%
		40	45°	21.10	19.23	1.866	8.8%

Table 6.18 Residuals Summary for Light Tower Lighting Arrangements

% = (Residuals Value / VE Measured) x 100%

6.3.3.5. Validation

The validation of the model was performed for the balloon light and light tower. For the balloon light, the regression model was developed based on the measured vertical illuminance (VE) values conducted during the experiment using the data of three of the tested balloon light heights which are 3.5, 4.0, and 5.0 meter. The measured VE values of the 4.5 meter height were then used to validate the developed model. A comparison between the VE values calculated by the developed model and the VE values measured inside the car for the first and second line of sight is shown in Tables 6.19 and 6.20, respectively. The results show that the average absolute error of the calculated VE values by the developed model was 3% and 4% for the first and second line of sight, respectively.

VE Values Measured Inside the Car (lux)	VE Values Measured Inside the Work Zone (lux)	VE Values Calculated from the Regression Model (lux)	Error	%
19.8	34	19.855	-0.055	-0.3%
8.75	13.7	8.763	-0.013	-0.1%
4.45	7.2	4.362	0.088	2.0%
2.75	4.5	2.680	0.070	2.6%
1.85	3	1.806	0.044	2.4%
1.3	2	1.253	0.047	3.6%
0.95	1.45	0.960	-0.010	-1.0%
0.7	1.1	0.778	-0.078	-11.1%
Average Absolute % Error =				

Table 6.19 Vertical Illuminance Values Calculated from the Developed RegressionModel for the First Line of Sight of the Balloon Light

Error = VE Measured Inside the Car – VE Calculated from the Developed Regression Model % = (Error / A) x 100%

Table 6.20 Vertical Illuminance Values Calculated from the Developed Regression	on
Model for the Second Line of Sight of the Balloon Light	

VE Values Measured Inside the Car (lux)	VE Values Measured Inside the Work Zone (lux)	VE Values Calculated from the Regression Model (lux)	Error	%
19.8	34	19.855	-0.055	-0.3%
8.75	13.7	8.763	-0.013	-0.1%
4.45	7.2	4.362	0.088	2.0%
2.75	4.5	2.680	0.070	2.6%
1.85	3	1.806	0.044	2.4%
1.3	2	1.253	0.047	3.6%
0.95	1.45	0.960	-0.010	-1.0%
0.7	1.1	0.778	-0.078	-11.1%
Average Absolute % Error =				

Error = VE Measured Inside the Car – VE Calculated from the Developed Regression Model % = (Error / A) x 100%

Moreover, the data used to validate the developed regression model of the light tower was selected from the 14 tested lighting arrangements of the light tower. The selection of the data included one random VE value from each of the 14 tested lighting arrangements. A comparison between the calculated VE values from the developed regression model and the VE values measured inside the car for the first and second line of sight is shown in Tables 6.21 and 6.22, respectively. The results show that the average absolute error of the calculated VE values by the developed model was 7.8% and 7.5% for the first and second line of sight, respectively.

VE Values Measured Inside the Car (lux)	VE Values Measured Inside the Work Zone (lux)	VE Values Calculated from the Regression Model (lux)	Error	%
2.24	3.7	2.151	0.089	4.0%
1.03	1.57	0.872	0.158	15.4%
23.5	36.6	22.497	1.003	4.3%
3.88	5.97	4.011	-0.131	-3.4%
33.9	49	36.225	-2.325	-6.9%
5.33	8.18	6.217	-0.887	-16.7%
7.48	10.4	7.970	-0.490	-6.6%
1.25	1.9	1.207	0.043	3.5%
1.00	1.47	1.161	-0.161	-16.1%
13.9	21.5	13.893	0.007	0.1%
3.51	5.16	3.417	0.093	2.6%
9.90	14.5	10.580	-0.680	-6.9%
2.50	4	2.808	-0.308	-12.3%
4.72	6.52	4.231	0.489	10.4%
Average Absolute % Error =			7.8%	

Table 6.21 Vertical Illuminance Values Calculated from the Developed RegressionModel for the First Line of Sight of the Light Tower

Error = VE Measured Inside the Car – VE Calculated from the Developed Regression Model

% = (Error / A) x 100%

VE Values Measured Inside the Car (lux)	VE Values Measured Inside the Work Zone (lux)	VE Values Calculated from the Regression Model (lux)	Error	%
2.10	3.7	2.133	-0.033	-1.6%
1.42	1.57	1.723	-0.303	-21%
21.6	36.6	22.965	-1.365	-6.3%
3.95	5.97	3.600	0.350	8.9%
32.6	49	36.056	-3.456	-10.6%
5.30	8.18	5.915	-0.615	-11.6%
17.0	10.4	18.103	-1.103	-6.5%
1.22	1.9	1.161	0.059	4.8%
2.25	1.47	2.409	-0.159	-7.1%
13.2	21.5	13.579	-0.429	-3.3%
3.52	5.16	3.040	0.480	13.6%
14.4	14.5	15.038	-0.598	-4.1%
2.56	4	2.640	-0.080	-3.1%
8.11	6.52	8.239	-0.129	-1.6%
Average Absolute % Error =				7.5%

 Table 6.22 Vertical Illuminance Values Calculated from the Developed Regression

 Model for the Second Line of Sight of the Light Tower

Error = VE Measured Inside the Car – VE Calculated from the Developed Regression Model

% = (Error / A) x 100%

6.3.4. Pavement Luminance Regression Models

Four regression models were developed to calculate the average pavement luminance (PL_{avg}) experienced by drivers in lanes adjacent to the work zone based on the lighting arrangement in the work zone (i.e., balloon lights or light towers). The regression models were developed using the measured average pavement luminance (PL_{avg}) values that were described in Chapter 4 and summarized in Table 6.23.

Type of Light	Height (meter)	Rotation Angle (degree)	Aiming Angles (degree)	Pavement Luminance (cd/m²)
One Belleen	4.0	NA	NA	1.16
Une Balloon	4.5	NA	NA	0.98
Light	5.0	NA	NA	0.89
	4.0	NA	NA	1.33
I wo Balloon	4.5	NA	NA	1.26
Lighto	5	NA	NA	1.20
Three	4.0	NA	NA	1.86
Balloon	4.5	NA	NA	1.69
Lights	5.0	NA	NA	1.53
			0,0,0,0	2.121
	5	0	20,20,-20,-20	2.306
			45,45,-45,-45	3.223
		20	20,20,0,0	1.958
			45,45,0,0	3.294
		45	20,20,0,0	2.284
Links Tanan			45,45,0,0	2.987
Light Tower	8.5		0,0,0,0 2.725	2.725
		0	20,20,-20,-20	3.147
			45,45,-45,-45	3.285
		20	20,20,0,0	2.292
			45,45,0,0	2.734
		45	20,20,0,0	3.021
			45,45,0,0	2.244

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The regression model for the balloon lights has only one independent variable which is the height of the light (H) while the independent variables for the light tower model include the height of the light as well as its rotation and aiming angles. Table 6.24 presents a summary of the coefficients for the regression model for one balloon light, two balloon lights, three balloon lights, and one light tower. All three balloon light

models generate residual values that are very close to zero. As for the light tower, the percentages of the residuals output to the measured PL_{avg} range from 1% to 27%.

Regression Model	Term	Coefficients
	Constant	5.840
One Balloon Light	Н	-1.890
	$\begin{array}{c c c c c c c } \hline Constant & 0.000 \\ \hline \mbox{ght} & \hline & \mbox{H} & -1.890 \\ \hline & \mbox{H}^2 & 0.180 \\ \hline & \mbox{H}^2 & 0.010 \\ \hline & \mbox{Gonstant} & 2.025 \\ \hline & \mbox{H} & -0.215 \\ \hline & \mbox{H}^2 & 0.010 \\ \hline & \mbox{Gonstant} & 3.580 \\ \hline & \mbox{H} & -0.510 \\ \hline & \mbox{H}^2 & 0.020 \\ \hline & \mbox{Constant} & 2.021 \\ \hline & \mbox{H} & 0.052 \\ \hline & \mbox{RA} & -0.008 \\ \hline \end{array}$	0.180
	Constant	2.025
Two Balloon Lights	Н	-0.215
	H²	0.010
	Constant	3.580
Three Balloon Lights	Sion Model Term Coefficient Iloon Light Constant 5.840 H -1.890 H ² 0.180 H ² 0.180 Ioon Lights Constant 2.025 H -0.215 H Iloon Lights H -0.215 H ² 0.010 Constant Iloon Lights H -0.510 H ² 0.020 H ² Iloon Lights H -0.510 H ² 0.020 Constant AA 0.0017	-0.510
		0.020
	Image: Harmonic field 0.010 Constant 3.580 H -0.510 H ² 0.020 Constant 2.021 H 0.052	2.021
Light Tower	Н	0.052
	RA	-0.008
	AA	0.017

Table 6.24 Average Pavement Luminance Models of Balloon Lights

CHAPTER 7 MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE LEVELS OF VEILING LUMINANCE RATIO

Based on the evaluations and experiments conducted in the field experiments, recommendations are presented in this chapter on the maximum allowable level of veiling luminance ratio that can be tolerated by nighttime motorists. Existing studies and recommendations focused on two main sources of glare that are caused by roadway lighting and by the headlights of opposite traffic vehicles. The following sections summarize these findings.

7.1. Glare from Roadway Lighting

IESNA recommends the use of the ratio of maximum veiling luminance to the average pavement luminance of 0.4 to control glare in roadway lighting design (IESNA 2004). This ratio can be considered applicable to highway work zones due to the similarities in design criteria, parameters, and designers concerns in both cases. It should be noted that this ratio can be slightly relaxed to account for the temporary nature of work zone lighting.

7.2. Glare from Headlights of Opposite Traffic Vehicles

A study by Schieber (1998) was conducted to quantify disabling glare from upper and lower beams of daytime running lamps (DRLs) under different lighting conditions ranging from dawn to dusk. This study was based on four main assumptions: (1) the minimum light intensity value for the DRL is 1,500 cd and the maximum is 7,000 cd according to the Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards and 10,000 cd was also

considered in case of over voltage problems; (2) viewing distances of 20 m through 100 m between the motorist and the headlight of an opposite traffic vehicle; (3) a twolane road with 3.7 m lane widths; and (4) the pavement luminance for the driver is 1 cd/m² for nighttime driving lighting condition. Based on these assumptions, Schieber (1998) calculated and summarized the veiling luminance ratio (glare) experienced by the traveling public from headlights of opposite traffic, as shown in Table 7.1.

Distance VL-Ratio (1,500 cd) VL-Ratio (7,000 cd) VL-Ratio (10,000 cd) 4.42 - 20 m 0.95 5.8 - 40 m 0.93 4.3 5.7 - 60 m 0.93 4.33 5.7

4.16

4.32

5.7

5.7

0.87

0.93

Table 7.1 Veiling Luminance Ratio for 1,500; 7,000; and 10,000 cd daytime running lights (Schieber 1998)

Schieber (1998) reported that significant disabling glare was experienced by drivers when the VL-Ratio value exceeded 1.0. Accordingly, the results in Table 7.1 illustrates that daylight running lights intensity of 7,000 cd and 10,000 cd represent a potentially significant source of glare to opposite drivers at nighttime driving conditions since the veiling luminance ratio was found to be greater than 1.0 (Schieber 1998).

The Schieber study (1998) was based on a proposed grid of 100 m long with equal distances of 20 m which does not comply with the IESNA grid requirements (IESNA 2004). Accordingly, an experimental study was conducted to measure and study the veiling luminance ratio (glare) that is experienced by the traveling public from the

- 80 m

- 100 m

headlight of opposite traffic while complying with the IESNA grid requirements, as shown in Figure 7.1. The main objective of this test is to calculate the levels of glare experienced by the traveling public in the case where two cars facing each other and only separated by the construction cone to represent the worst case scenario of lateral distance, as shown in Figure 7.2.

Figure 7.1 Experimental Site Layout Arrangement for Opposite Traffic

Figure 7.2 Veiling Luminance Grid Calculations and Measurements

The experiment took place at the Illinois Center of Transportation facilities in Rantoul, IL and was performed as follows: (1) the construction cones were positioned to represent the same grid proposed by IESNA and explained in Chapter 4, as shown in Figure 7.2; (2) the vehicle of the glare source was positioned and the low-beam of the light was switched on; (3) the observing vehicle was positioned at the first construction cone (first measurement point) and the vertical illuminance was measured from inside the car; (4) the car was moved 5 m along the line of sight and the next reading was taken and continued until the end of the proposed grid; and (5) the veiling luminance ratio (glare) was then calculated using the formula recommended by the IESNA standard in roadway lighting (IESNA 2004) and the pavement luminance for the driver was assumed to be 1 cd/m^2 based on the literature review findings.

Table 7.2 presents the veiling luminance ratio (glare) that is experienced by the headlights of the opposite traffic. The value of the maximum veiling luminance ratio (V_{max}) was 1.69 when the low beam of the headlights of the glare vehicle was switched on and 5.6 when the high beam was on. Moreover, the average of the veiling luminance ratio (V_{avg}) was found to be 0.7 for the low beam arrangement and 2.56 for the high beam arrangement.

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Distance	VL-Ratio (Low Beam)	VL-Ratio (High Beam)
5 m	0	0
0 m	0	0
- 5 m	0.03	0.06
- 10 m	0.21	0.66
- 15 m	0.41	1.58
- 20 m	0.67	2.62
- 25 m	0.87	3.51
- 30 m	1.04	4
- 35 m	1.25	4.92
- 40 m	1.5	5.21
- 45 m	1.69	5.6

Table 7.2 Veiling Luminance Ratio Experienced by Headlights of Opposite Traffic

7.3. Summary and Conclusions

Based on the aforementioned review of the existing studies and recommendations on the maximum allowable level of veiling luminance ratio that can be tolerated, the following conclusions are drawn: (1) the maximum allowable level of veiling luminance ratio for roadway lighting design is recommended by IESNA not to exceed 0.4 (IESNA 2004); (2) the calculated maximum level of veiling luminance ratio caused by opposite traffic was found to reach 0.95 and 4.42 for headlight light intensity of 1,500 cd and 7,000 cd, respectively (Scheiber 1998); (3) the measured maximum level of veiling luminance ratio caused by opposite traffic was found in the tests conducted in this study to reach 1.69 and 5.6 for low and high beam intensity, respectively; and (4) the measured maximum levels of veiling luminance ratio caused by the tested lighting arrangements in this study was found to vary depending on the type lighting arrangement as described in Chapter 4 and summarized in Table 7.3.

Type of Light	Height in meter	Rotation Angle	Aiming Angles	V _{max}
	3.5	NA	NA	0.64
One Balloon Light	4.0	NA	NA	0.50
One Balloon Light	4.5	NA	NA	0.45
	5	NA	NA	0.37
	4.0	NA	NA	0.54
Two Balloon Lights	4.5	NA	NA	0.44
	5	NA	NA	0.34
	4.0	NA	NA	0.56
Three Balloon Lights	4.5	NA	NA	0.40
	5.0	NA	NA	0.37
			0,0,0,0	0.11
		0	20,20,-20,-20	0.18
			45,45,-45,-45	0.77
	5	20	20,20,0,0	0.18
			45,45,0,0	1.02
	45	20,20,0,0	0.35	
Light Tower		40	45,45,0,0	0.39
			0,0,0,0	0.03
		0	20,20,-20,-20	0.05
			45,45,-45,-45	0.35
	8.5	20	20,20,0,0	0.14
		45	45,45,0,0	0.27
			20,20,0,0	0.07
			45,45,0,0	0.16
Nite Lite	3.5	NA	NA	0.84

Table 7.3 V_{max} Values for Tested Lighting Arrangements

CHAPTER 8 CONCLUSIONS AND FUTURE RESEARCH

8.1. Introduction

In recent years, there has been a significant increase in the number of nighttime highway construction and rehabilitation projects. This increase can be attributed to the many advantages of this type of construction including reduced traffic congestions, improved work zone conditions and reduced project duration. Despite these advantages, lighting conditions in nighttime work zones are often reported to cause harmful levels of glare for both drivers and construction personnel due to improper lighting arrangements. These levels of harmful glare in and around nighttime work zones need to be measured and controlled to ensure the safety of the traveling public as well as construction workers. In order to support resident engineers and contractors in this critical task, this study focused on developing a practical and objective model that can be used to measure and control veiling luminance ratio (glare) experienced by motorists in lanes adjacent to the nighttime work zone.

8.2. Research Tasks and Findings

To accomplish the main goal of controlling the levels of glare experienced by nighttime motorists, the following six research objectives were identified to: (1) provide in-depth comprehensive review of the latest literature on the causes of glare and existing practices that can be used to quantify and control glare during nighttime highway construction; (2) identify practical factors that affect the measurement of veiling luminance ratio (glare) in and around nighttime work zones; (3) analyze and compare

the levels of glare and lighting performance generated by typical lighting arrangements in nighttime highway construction; (4) evaluate the impact of lighting design parameters on glare and provide practical recommendations for lighting arrangements to reduce and control lighting glare in and around nighttime work zones; (5) develop a practical and safe procedure that can be utilized by resident engineers and contractors to measure and quantify harmful levels of veiling luminance ratio (glare) experienced by drive-by motorists near nighttime highway construction sites; and (6) investigate and analyze existing recommendations on the maximum allowable levels of veiling luminance ratio (glare) that can be tolerated by nighttime drivers from similar lighting sources.

Moreover, this research study was conducted in four main areas that focused on: (1) conducting a comprehensive literature review; (2) visiting and studying a number of nighttime highway construction projects; (3) conducting field studies to evaluate the performance of selected lighting arrangements; and (4) developing practical models to measure and control the levels of glare experienced by drive-by motorists in lanes adjacent to nighttime work zones.

In the first task of the project, a comprehensive literature review was conducted to study the latest research and developments on veiling luminance ratio (glare) and its effects on drivers and construction workers during nighttime highway construction work. Key findings of this research task include a comprehensive review of:

• Lighting requirements for nighttime highway construction.

- Causes and sources of glare in nighttime work zones, including fixed roadway lighting, vehicles headlamps, and nighttime lighting equipment in the work zone.
- Types of glare which can be classified based on its source as either direct or reflected glare; and based on its impact as discomfort, disabling, or blinding glare.
- Available procedures to measure and quantify discomfort and disabling glare.
- Existing methods to quantify pavement/adaptation luminance which is essential in measuring discomfort and disabling glare.
- Available recommendations by State DOTs and professional organizations to control glare.
- Existing guidelines and hardware for glare control.
- Available ordinances to measure and control light trespass caused by roadway lighting.

The second research task in this project focused on conducting site visits to a number of nighttime work zones to identify practical factors that affect the measurement of the veiling luminance ratio in nighttime construction sites. The site visits were conducted over a five-month period in order to gather data on the type of construction operations that are typically performed during nighttime hours, the type of lighting equipment used to illuminate the work area, and the levels of glare that were experienced by

workers and motorists in and around the work zone. Key findings of these site visits include:

- There is a wide variety of lighting equipment and setups that can be used on construction sites which can lead to significant variations in the levels of glare caused by these lights.
- There is a need for a practical model to measure and quantify the level of glare caused by construction lights regardless of the type of lights used on site.
- The measurement of vertical illuminance and pavement luminance are essential to accurately calculate the veiling luminance ratio (glare) in and around construction sites.
- The locations from which vertical illuminance and pavement luminance measurements can be taken on site are often constrained by safety considerations and site layout barriers.
- The developed model for measuring and quantifying glare should be flexible to enable resident engineers to take their measurements in safe locations within the work zone that accurately resembles the critical locations of drive-by motorists where the maximum glare levels are expected to occur.
- The improper utilization of light towers in a number of the visited sites caused significant levels of veiling luminance ratio (glare) for construction



workers that reached up to 5.01, as shown in Table 3.3. In the site visit, this high level of glare was encountered because the aiming angles of the four luminaries were set up at an angle greater than 30 and their height was less than 5 m which caused the center of the light beam to be aimed directly on construction workers, as shown in Figure 3.12.

The primary purpose of the third task of this research project was to conduct field experiments to study and evaluate the levels of lighting glare caused by commonly used lighting equipment in nighttime work zones. During these experiments, a total of 25 different lighting arrangements were tested over a period of 33 days from May 10, 2007 to June 12, 2007 at the Illinois Center for Transportation (ICT) in the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. The objectives of these experiments were to: (1) analyze and compare the levels of glare and lighting performance generated by typical lighting arrangements in nighttime highway construction; and (2) provide practical recommendations for lighting arrangements to reduce and control lighting glare in and around nighttime work zones. The main findings of this task include:

- The height of the light source should be as high as practically feasible, as it provides significant reductions in the average and maximum veiling luminance ratios.
- The aiming and rotation angles for light towers should be kept as close as possible to 0° to reduce and control glare in and around nighttime work zones.



- The location of the maximum veiling luminance ratios for the tested lighting arrangement in the experiments were all found within a range of 10 m to 25 m before the light source.
- Using Tables 5.16 and 5.17 in this report, resident engineers can identify from the critical locations (i.e., distances from the light source) where the worst-case glare level is expected to occur for drive-by motorists, depending on the type and height of the utilized lighting equipment.
- Resident engineers can limit their measurement of vertical and horizontal illuminance to these few critical locations in order to objectively and quantitatively verify that the level of glare generated by the lighting equipment on site is within the allowable limits.
- Glare caused by balloon lights in and around nighttime work zones can be controlled by setting the height of the light at 5.0 m or higher.
- Glare caused by light towers in and around nighttime work zones can be controlled by setting its height at 5.0 m or higher and the rotation angles of its luminaires at 20° or less.

The final and fourth task of this research focused on the development of a practical model to measure and quantify veiling luminance ratio (glare) experienced by drive-by motorists in lanes adjacent to nighttime work zones. The model was designed to consider the practical factors that were identified during the site visits, including the need to provide a robust balance between practicality and accuracy to ensure that it can be efficiently and effectively used by resident engineers on nighttime highway



construction sites. To ensure practicality, the model enables resident engineers to measure the required vertical illuminance data in safe locations inside the work zone while allowing the traffic in adjacent lanes to flow uninterrupted. These measured illuminance data are then analyzed by newly developed regression models to accurately calculate the vertical illuminance values experienced by drivers from which the veiling luminance ratio (glare) can be calculated. This task also analyzed existing recommendations on the maximum allowable levels of veiling luminance ratio (glare) that can be tolerated by nighttime drivers from various lighting sources, including roadway lighting, headlights of opposite traffic vehicles, and lighting equipment in nighttime work zones. Key findings of this task include:

- The maximum allowable level of veiling luminance ratio for roadway lighting design, as recommended by IESNA, is not to exceed 0.4 (IESNA 2004).
- The calculated maximum level of veiling luminance ratio caused by opposite traffic was found to reach 0.95 and 4.42 for headlight light intensity of 1,500 cd and 7,000 cd, respectively (Scheiber 1998).
- The measured maximum level of veiling luminance ratio caused by opposite traffic was found in the tests to reach 1.69 and 5.6 for low and high beam intensity, respectively.
- The measured maximum levels of veiling luminance ratio caused by the tested lighting arrangements in this study was found to vary depending on the type of lighting arrangement as shown in Table 7.3.
- The maximum allowable level of veiling luminance ratio (glare) in lanes adjacent to nighttime work zones can be specified to be close to the 0.4 ratio



recommended by IESNA for roadway lighting design due to the similarities in design criteria, parameters, and designers concerns in both cases. However, this 0.4 limit can be potentially set at a higher level to account for (1) the temporary nature of work zone lighting; and (2) other types of glare experienced by nighttime drivers from opposite traffic headlights that can reach the level of 0.95 for low beam intensity headlights.

8.3. Research Contributions

The main research contributions of this study can be summarized as follows:

- Providing a baseline for Departments of Transportation (DOTs) to develop specifications and standards on how to control and quantify the levels of glare in nighttime highway construction projects.
- 2. Helping in increase the safety of construction workers and the traveling public in and around the nighttime highway work zones.
- 3. Identifying practical factors and challenges that affect the measurements of the veiling luminance ratio "glare" in and around nighttime work zones.
- 4. Evaluating and comparing the lighting performance and glare levels of typical construction lighting equipment that are commonly used in nighttime highway construction projects.
- 5. Recommending practical lighting arrangements that generate acceptable levels of lighting glare for motorists and adequate levels of lighting performance for construction workers inside the work zone.



 Developing a practical and safe model for measuring and quantifying the veiling luminance ratio (glare) experienced by drive-by motorists near nighttime highway construction sites.

8.4. Future Research

During the course of this study, a number of promising research areas that require further in-depth analysis and investigation in the future has been identified. These areas include: (1) developing practical models for quantifying and controlling glare for construction workers in nighttime work zones; (2) improving the layout of nighttime work zones to ensure safe entry and exit of construction trucks and equipment to and from the nighttime work zone; and (3) investigating and minimizing the causes of trucks and other vehicles crashing into the work zone.

8.4.1. Quantifying and Controlling Glare for Construction Workers

Improper utilization of lighting equipment on nighttime construction sites can produce harmful levels of glare and visual impairment for both drivers and construction workers, leading to increased levels of hazard and crashes in and around the nighttime work zone. This project examined and measured glare for construction workers during the conducted site visits summarized in Chapter 3. One of the main findings of these visits was that improper utilization of lighting equipment causes significant levels of veiling luminance ratio (glare) for construction workers, as shown in Table 3.3. In order to control these harmful levels of glare, this project provided a number of recommendations which were summarized in Chapter 5. Despite these important findings, there is a pressing need to expand the research work completed in



this study in order to develop a practical model that can quantify and control the harmful levels of glare experienced by nighttime construction workers. This additional research needs to focus on (1) studying and modeling the specific locations of workers on construction sites which are significantly different from those identified by IESNA for drive-by motorists; (2) investigating how to model the adaptation luminance for construction workers which is different from the pavement luminance recommended by IESNA for drive-by motorists; and (3) studying and identifying acceptable levels of veiling luminance ratio (glare) for construction workers which are expected to be different from those recommended by IESNA for roadway drivers. This additional research and the application of the proposed model for construction workers glare can significantly reduce the exposure of nighttime workers to glare-related visual impairment that can cause severe crashes in and around the work zone. As such, the proposed model can lead to significant safety improvements for construction workers inside the work zone as well as the traveling public in adjacent open lanes.

8.4.2. Improving Safety for Construction Equipment Entering Work Zones

Construction equipment and delivery trucks need to frequently enter and exit the work zone from adjacent open traffic lanes. These equipment and trucks have to slow down and, in many cases, almost stop to get into the closed work zone lanes, which increases the risk of crashes with other vehicles traveling in the open traffic lanes. In order to control and minimize this risk, there is a pressing need to (1) investigate the frequency and causes of these types of crashes; (2) study and recommend improvements in work zone layouts to ensure the safe entry and exit of construction



equipment and trucks to and from the work zone; and (3) analyze and recommend improved utilization of signals on this type of equipment and trucks, such as bigger brake lights and strobe lights, to warn trailing motorists to reduce speed. The potential deliverables of this research can lead to significant reduction in the number of crashes in and around nighttime work zones and to significantly improve safety for delivery trucks drivers and construction equipment operators entering and exiting the work zone as well as for the traveling public in adjacent open lanes.

8.4.3. Minimizing the Risk of Vehicles Crashing into the Work Zone

During one of the site visits to nighttime work zones, an incident was witnessed of a truck accidentally intruding into the work zone before the truck driver managed to steer the truck out and avoid a dangerous crash. This is not an isolated incident as many reports indicate the frequent intrusion of trucks and other vehicles into nighttime work zones. Many of these crashes occur when traffic is reduced to one lane leading to increased risk of vehicle-work zone crashes at night due to drivers with insufficient sleep, vision problems, and/or alcohol/drug impairment (Shepard and Cottrell 1985). To control and minimize this significant risk, there exist opportunities and needs to (1) investigate the frequency and causes of these types of crashes; (2) study and recommend improvements in work zone layouts to ensure that drive-by motorists are fully alert and aware of the traffic changes around the work zone. The proposed research is expected to analyze the practicality and effectiveness of temporary layout devices that can improve the alertness of nighttime drivers such as portable rumble strips and radar drones and whether they can be easily placed and removed around



nighttime work zones. The expected deliverables, which include guidelines and recommendations on lane configuration, are expected to lead to significant reduction in the number of crashes in and around nighttime work zones and to significantly improve safety for the traveling public and construction workers alike.



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CURRICULUM VITAE

EDUCATION

PhD Candidate in Civil and Environmental Engineering, August 2004 – Present. Construction Management – Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign – Champaign, Illinois Thesis: "Nighttime Construction: Evaluation of Lighting Glare for Highway Construction."

Masters of Business Administration – MBA, May 2004 College of Business University of St. Thomas – Minneapolis, Minnesota

Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering – B.Sc., December 2000 Structural Engineering – Department of Civil Engineering Jordan University of Science and Technology– Irbid, Jordan

PUBLICATIONS

Journal Papers

- 1. Odeh, I., El-Rayes, K., and Liu, L., (2009). "Field Experiments to Evaluate and Control Light Tower Glare in Nighttime Work Zones." Submitted to the Journal of Management in Engineering, American Society of Civil Engineers, accepted.
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- **3.** Odeh, I., El-Rayes, K., and Liu, L., (2009). "*Modeling and Controlling Veiling Luminance Ratio in Nighttime Highway Construction Projects.*" To be submitted to the Journal of Construction Engineering and Management, American Society of Civil Engineers.

Conference Papers and Posters

- Hassan, M., Odeh, I., and El-Rayes, K., (2010). "Glare and Light Characteristics of Conventional and Balloon Lighting Systems" Submitted to the Transportation Research Board 2010 Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C., January 10-14, 2010. accepted.
- 5. Elghamrawy, T., El-Rayes, K., Liu, L., and Odeh, I., (2010). "*Analysis of Injury and Fatal Crashes in Highway Construction Zones*." Proceedings of the ASCE Construction Research Congress, Banff, Alberta, Canada, May 8-11, 2010, accepted.



- 6. El-Rayes, K., Liu, L., and Odeh, I., (2007). "*Measuring and Quantifying Lighting Glare During Nighttime Highway Construction Projects*." Proceedings of the ASCE Construction Research Congress, Island of Grand Bahamas, May 6-8, 2007.
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Software Developed

• Developed a graphical user interface computer model entitled *G2M: Glare Measurement Model* that is capable of measuring the levels of lighting glare experienced by nighttime drivers. To ensure practicality, the model enables resident engineers to measure the required vertical illuminance data in safe locations inside the work zone while allowing the traffic in adjacent lanes to flow uninterrupted. These measurements are then analyzed by newly developed regression models to accurately calculate the vertical illuminance values experienced by drivers in adjacent lanes which are required in the model to calculate the veiling luminance ratio (glare).

INVITED SEMINARS AND PRESENTATIONS

- "*Practical Model for Calculating Veiling Luminance Ratio (Glare).*" Presented to the Illinois Department of Transportation, Illinois Department of Transportation, December 3, 2007, Springfield, Illinois.
- "*Nighttime Construction: Site Visits and Glare Evaluation Model.*" Presented to the Illinois Department of Transportation and Federal Highway Administration, Illinois Department of Transportation, July 26, 2007, Springfield, Illinois.
- *"Nighttime Construction: Evaluation of Lighting Glare."* Presented to the Illinois Department of Transportation and Federal Highway Administration, Illinois Department of Transportation, December 6, 2006, Springfield, Illinois.
- "Nighttime Construction Research Proposal: Evaluation of Lighting Glare for Highway Construction in Illinois." Presented to the Illinois Department of Transportation and Federal Highway Administration, Illinois Department of Transportation, April 25, 2006, Springfield, Illinois.

RESEARCH AND EDUCATIONAL PROPOSALS

- Actively participated in writing a research proposal entitled "'*Green Friendly*' *Best Management Practices (BMP) for Interstate Rest Areas*" submitted to the Illinois Center for Transportation, July 2009, PI: Khaled El-Rayes. (Funded)
- Actively participated in writing a research proposal entitled "*Studying and Minimizing Traffic-Related Work Zone Crashes*" submitted to the Illinois Center for Transportation, July 2008, PI: Khaled El-Rayes. (Funded)



• Actively participated in writing an educational proposal entitled "*Global Leaders in Construction Management*." submitted to the College of Engineering, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, October 2007, PI: Feniosky Peña Mora. (Funded)

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant - University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, January 2005–Present.

- Currently:
 - » Conducting a comprehensive analysis on best management practices (BMP's) that help in maximizing the cost-effectiveness of the Illinois Interstate Rest Areas and minimizing their negative environmental impacts and carbon footprints.
 - » Conducting research on minimizing the risk of vehicles crashing into the work zone in highway construction projects.
 - » Analyzing the frequency and severity of traffic-related work zone crashes.
 - » Conducting a comprehensive analysis to investigate the probable causes and contributing factors of work zone crashes.
 - » Evaluating the practicality and effectiveness of adding temporary/portable rumble strips within and prior to highway construction zones.
- January 2006- January 2008:
 - » Developed new highway construction lighting specifications for the Illinois Department of Transportation.
 - » Identified practical factors that affect the measurement of veiling luminance ratio (glare) in and around nighttime work zones.
 - » Analyzed and compared the levels of glare and lighting performance generated by typical lighting arrangements in nighttime highway construction.
 - » Evaluated the impact of lighting parameters on glare and provide practical recommendations to reduce and control lighting glare in and around nighttime work zones.
 - » Developed a practical model to measure and quantify levels of glare experienced by drive-by motorists.
 - » Investigated and analyzed existing studies and recommendations on the maximum allowable levels of veiling luminance ratio (glare) that can be tolerated by nighttime drivers.
 - » Provided an in-depth comprehensive review of the latest literature on the causes of glare and the existing practices that can be used to quantify and control glare during nighttime highway construction.
- January 2005- January 2006:
 - » Provided an in-depth comprehensive review of the latest literature on sustainable design concepts in new construction buildings and the green



building rating system; Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED).

Global Real Estate Researcher (Intern) – JPMorgan Chase & Co., May–August 2008.

- Collected comprehensive research data on the construction and real estate industry in the Middle East, United States, Canada, South America, Asia, Africa, Russia, and Europe.
- Researched and identified the main owners, real estate developers, construction managers, and general contractors in the studied markets.
- Developed a comparison between the aforementioned markets to explore real estate investment opportunities and challenges.

Research Assistant - University of St. Thomas, August 2003–February 2004.

- Department of Finance, August 2003 February 2004:
 - » Provided a literature review on several topics in the area of corporate finance such as real options, several financial ratios, and balance sheets.
- Mathematics Department, August 2002 May 2003:
 - » Developed a mathematical methodology for Robot detection that helped in developing a computer model to assist Robots in identifying the boundaries of single objects.

TEACHING AND EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE

Instructor - University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, August 2009 – Present.

- Teaching introductory core course in construction engineering and management titled <u>CEE422: Construction Cost Analysis (Fall 2009)</u> for graduate and undergraduate students (class of 70 students). The course is an introduction to the application of scientific principles to costs and estimates of costs in construction engineering; concepts and statistical measurements of the factors involved in direct costs, general overhead costs, cost markups, and profits; the fundamentals of cost recording for construction cost accounts and cost controls.
- As part of the class, I invited several guest speakers from the industry to give presentations to the students which helped the students learn how construction managers and engineers apply the scientific principles in cost estimating in their projects.

Graduate Assistant - University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, March 2006 – Present.

- Managed and attended meetings with presidents and top executives of construction companies, contractors, and real estate developers in Dubai-UAE and China to support the Global Leaders program at the University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign.
- Formulated and implemented different schemes for establishing connections between international civil engineering firms and the University of Illinois.



- Helped in creating career opportunities for students through industrial relationship.
- Built several industrial connections between international A/E/C companies and the University of Illinois.
- Mentored and helped in supervising the graduate students in this program.
- Actively participated in writing an educational proposal for a master degree in construction management at the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering.

Teaching Assistant - University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, August 2004 – May 2008.

- Evaluated students' assignments and course projects for an introductory core course in construction engineering and management titled <u>CEE 421: Construction Planning</u> at the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering.
- Prepared and presented lectures for project planning software and managed project discussion sessions to respond to students' questions and concerns.

INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE

Global Real Estate Developer and Researcher (Intern) – JPMorgan Chase & Co., New York – NY, May – August 2008.

- Collected comprehensive research data on the construction and real estate industry in the Middle East, United States, Canada, South America, Asia, Africa, Russia, and Europe.
- Researched and identified the main owners, real estate developers, construction managers, and general contractors in the studied markets.
- Developed a comparison between the aforementioned markets to explore real estate investment opportunities and challenges.
- Evaluated feasibility studies for several construction projects.
- Attended several meetings with the general contractors and sub-contractors to follow up on the progress of several construction projects.

Construction Manager Intern – Inspec Inc., Milwaukee – Wisconsin, June – August 2006.

- Managed three rehabilitation projects at the University of Chicago campus.
- Monitored and measured actual progress for the project activities and tasks.
- Provided technical advice and developed detailed work description and material purchase orders for the projects tasks and subtasks.

Civil Engineer – Arab Construction & Contracting Company, Amman – Jordan, September 2001 – December 2001.



- Inspected and supervised the construction project of a multi-storey hospital building.
- Provided construction support, coordinated activities, and responded to contractor requests for information.
- Performed quantity surveys and prepared workshop drawings.
- Worked with AutoCAD when needed.

Civil Engineer – Al Muhandis Al Arabi, Amman – Jordan, February 2001 – August 2001.

- Performed structural analysis and prepared structural drawings for several construction projects.
- Revised reinforced-concrete design
- Prepared workshop drawings.

Construction Engineer Intern – Arab Construction & Contracting Company, Amman – Jordan, June 2000 – December 2000.

- Worked in the construction inspection and supervision of a multi-storey hotel building
- Performed quantity surveys and prepared workshop drawings.
- Supervised and inspected site works including structural concrete and steel work.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- Arab American Association of Engineers and Architects at the University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign, **Co-Founder and President**, 2006 Present
- Graduate and Professional Affairs Committee of the University of Illinois Student Senate, **Member**, 2006 2008
- Conference Organizing Committee, University of Illinois Student Interdisciplinary Conference 2009, **Member**, 2008 2009
- US Green Building Council (USGBC), Member, 2005 Present
- American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE), Member, 2005 Present
- Jordanian Engineers Syndicate, Member, 2000 Present

AWARDS AND HONORS

• The Arab American Association of Engineers and Architects Scholarship Award, Chicago, Illinois, 2008.

A merit based scholarship awarded annually to the most deserving students in engineering, computer science, or architecture in recognition of their academic and extra-curricular activities.



- The Arab American Association of Engineers and Architects Scholarship Award, Chicago, Illinois, 2009.
 A merit based scholarship awarded annually to the most deserving students in engineering, computer science, or architecture in recognition of their academic and extra-curricular activities.
- Teaching/Research Assistantship and Tuition Scholarship, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, 2005 to Date.

LANGUAGE SKILLS

English

Excellent speaking, reading and writing knowledge.

Arabic

Excellent speaking, reading and writing knowledge.

