



## **User Agreement**

### **RTA's Regionally Calibrated Inputs for FTA STOPS Transit Model**

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- Use of the calibrated inputs in no way constitutes RTA's or the Service Boards' validation of modelled results or endorsement of projects being analyzed
- Users are aware that model results will change and may not produce valid estimates if:
  - any changes are made to the calibrated inputs without the approval of RTA;
  - an outdated version of STOPS or outdated calibration inputs are used;
  - project scenario setups stray from the guidance provided by the STOPS Chicago Region User Guide.
- For the continual improvement of the model, RTA asks that:
  - any requests for changes to improve the model's performance be submitted back to RTA for testing and incorporation into the regionally calibrated inputs;
  - when able to do so, model users share their input scenarios and results with the RTA for open knowledge-sharing and ongoing improvement of the regional model;
  - any errors in the input data are immediately reported back to the RTA for correction

Contact RTA ([webmaster@rtams.org](mailto:webmaster@rtams.org)) for questions regarding the use of Chicago regional inputs and FTA (<http://www.fta.dot.gov/grants/15682.html>) for general questions regarding the STOPS Software

