Appendix E

Suggested Improvement Locations
Deploy a temporary traffic signal that could be controlled by police officer. This would improve safety and efficiency.
Add striping showing 2 lanes at Exit 7 WB off ramp (could be temporary)
Bridge Street tends to have a large amount of traffic during PM peaks. This is not necessarily ‘Fair’ traffic.

Both bus areas are very congested. Consideration should be made to move one or both of them or possibly reconfigure.
Bus Drop Off Area

Crosswalk is right at exit for bus lot, therefore many people walk through this lot. There is also no sidewalk for people to get to this crosswalk (most people coming from Red Cross parking lot.)
Problem: The 2 lanes in the image represent the exit 6 ramp from I-690 WB. During the Fair the traffic from the Orange lot queues back onto this ramp. It is advertised to use the right lane and right shoulder. The signage and road markings are misleading for the motorist; they suggest that the right shoulder should not be used.

Solution: Expand overhead sign to show ‘Parking’ in both the right lane and shoulder. Place a break in the solid white stripping to the shoulder.
Visibility of temporary traffic signal on I-690 is not idea, especially in eastbound direction. There are signs but with the grade and bridges it can be difficult to see this until vehicles are almost at the intersection. Consideration should be made to improve the visibility of this traffic light.
It has been noted on several occasions that vehicles in the vicinity of the I-690 signal traveling EB will pass trucks using the acceleration lane from the temporary ramp.
State Fair Blvd Crosswalks

Pedestrians that park on the west end of the Brown and Pink lots tend to cross SFB between gates 4 & 6 where there are NO crosswalks. This area is congested with vehicles going to the grey lot. There should be some kind of barrier prohibiting this. *(note that the temp. fence is knocked down in top left picture)*
1) Potential for exit and/or entrance ramp to Rte 695 SB from the Black Lot (then to the Grey lot)

2) Potential for exit to the Grey lot from Rte 695 NB (see next slide for more info)
If a temporary ramp were constructed from Route 695 to the Gray lot it would eliminate a fair number of vehicles on State Fair Blvd. The reason for this is that the vehicles coming from the South would not have to go onto I-690 then take Exit 7 to SFB. This ramp would have to be carefully constructed to minimize the land taken from the Gray lot as well as traffic backups onto Rte 695.
The Black parking lot areas on the west side of Rt 695 (for campers & horse trailers). It is accessible from the Grey lot. If lots were consolidated there could be additional room for more fairgoers, therefore reducing the number of people crossing State Fair Blvd.