

**Meeting Date:** 7/11/07

**Meeting Time:** 1:30 pm

**Location:** SMART SunGuide BC TMC  
2300 W. Commercial Blvd.  
Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33309

### **Call Meeting to Order**

Robert Murphy of DMJM Harris, called the meeting to order.

- Agenda
- Previous meeting minutes from Broward
- I-95 High Occupancy Toll (HOT) Lanes Presentation
- Post Incident Analysis Review

### **TIM Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Update – Guy Francese**

The first round of letters has gone out to all the agencies within the TIM team and we have received a good number of them back with the main representatives and alternative names. We are presently going through the letters and creating a list of agencies we have received. We will be sending out a second letter to all the agencies who have not responded.

### **Fire Hydrant Access Plan Update – Gregg Letts**

Gregg stated that he is obtaining all the fire hydrant locations. He has identified 20 PWS agencies and 10 are adjacent to I-95. Gregg is also trying to obtain location plans from the city water management buildings but due to the increase of security Gregg is having trouble obtaining these plans and if anyone from Fire Rescue / Police / EMS are willing to help, they are to contact Gregg Letts at 954-745-7259.

### **Road Ranger Commendation – Guy Francese**

On June 19, 2007 at 1142 hours Road Ranger Byron Escoto was on duty and witnessed a male pedestrian walking on the northbound right shoulder of I-95 approaching the ramps to I-595. Road Ranger Byron Escoto immediately stopped to see if he could provide assistance.

Upon speaking with him Byron quickly learned that this man was severely depressed and was planning to walk to the top of the ramp to commit suicide by jumping off onto the highway below. Byron then informed the dispatcher about the incident that was taking place and had requested assistance from the Florida Highway Patrol. Byron calmly talked to the man and gave him water which did settle him down until FHP arrived.

The man was subsequently taken to a hospital where he was admitted to receive help. Byron's actions on the road that day saved another person's life. Byron was a great example of the difference a Road Ranger could make in a single person's life. Road Ranger Byron Escoto is to be commended for a job well done.

**Traffic Signal Control Coordination Procedures / Pickles – John Kleinedler**

John Kleinedler stated that Broward County is in the middle of negotiating prices with Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) for installing the pickle devices into the cabinets and the maintenance on the devices.

**I-95 High Occupancy Toll (HOT) Lanes Presentation – Paul Lampley & Richard Young**

Paul Lampley from FDOT D4 has presented the I-95 HOT Lanes project to the TIM team. (Please see attached presentation) Some agency questions were as follows:

**Q:** Will there be any access points?

**A:** About every 5 miles there will be an access point, for example I-595, Ives Dairy Road, Golden Glades Interchange, 95<sup>th</sup>, I-395 etc.

**Q:** Will there be confined express lanes?

**Q:** Will we have to expand the Road Ranger Service Patrol?

There will be another update at the next Broward TIM meeting.

**I-75 Wildfire Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) – Bob Murphy**

Below is a basic outline of the MOU and what topics were discussed at the TIM meeting.

**SMART SunGuide / Southeast Florida Regional TMC Operations Committee (SEFRTOC) Procedures**

- SUMMARY:

Wildfire season December until June

Wildfire along the Alligator Alley portion of I-75 in Broward and Collier Counties  
Result in road closures

Issue: Disseminating useful information to motorists on a regional basis

**Detection**

- Upon notification, TMC Operators are responsible for entering all information into the SunGuide software and dispatching a Road Ranger and Severe Incident Response Vehicle (SIRV)

**Verification**

- Once the location of the closure is verified, TMC Operators make the event Active
- Generate a SunGuide response plan
- Post DMS messages on all signs
- Send initial Level 3 email alert.

## **Notification**

As per current SEFRTOC policy, center-to-center communication will be initiated immediately upon verification the road is closed.

TMC Operators will contact:

- SRS-511 to request this plan be activated
- Palm Beach ITMS,
- Florida's Turnpike, and
- District 6 to request assistance with signing

DMS message content:

**NB 75 CLOSED AT  
US 27  
CALL 511 FOR INFO**

## **Floodgate Messaging**

The system-wide Regional Floodgate on the 511 South Florida IVR will report: I-75 is closed at US 27 due to poor visibility from the wildfires. For more information, say I-75 or press 75 pound.

Callers requesting additional information will hear the following:

- I-75 North is closed at US 27 due to heavy smoke from a brush fire.

Following are possible alternate routes around the closure:

- US 41/ Tamiami Trail to the south and SR80 to the north

As with all Level 3 incidents, SRS will notify the Statewide 511 system of the incident via email to [511@cfl.rr.com](mailto:511@cfl.rr.com) and by phone at 407-736-1900; all contact will be logged.

## **Inquiries**

SMART SunGuide TMC Operators must address any inquiries from the public received via \*FHP by providing the same alternate route suggestions as the 511 floodgate message.

## **Southeast Florida Regional Transportation Operations Committee (SEFRTOC) Update – Bob Murphy**

The most recent update is the I-75 Wildfire MOU that has been put together from our few experiences of wildfires these last few months.

FHP calls have been redirected to the TMC's in Broward County as well as Palm Beach County. This has been done for a while and is still going smoothly.

**Post Incident Analysis (PIA) Review – Tom Dickson****TMC Incident #:** 366199**Date:** 6/14/07 **Time:** 0716**Incident Type:** Rollover Tractor Trailer **Location:** I-95 NB @ SR 84

SIRV was dispatched to a rolled over commercial truck blocking the 2 right lanes of I-95 N/B at SR-84. I immediately notified FDOT Maintenance Supervisor Chung. Upon arrival I quickly surveyed the scene and updated Supervisor Chung as to the type of incident and what FDOT resources were needed on scene such as a HAZMAT crew, bridge inspector, front end loader, dump trucks, MOT crew and an asphalt crew. I then went to work mitigating an active 120 gallon fuel and oil spill that was quickly moving downhill on the highway. I used 350 pounds of absorbent to contain the spill and several spill pillows to stop the leak at its source. When the Fire Rescue Lieutenant saw SIRV's spill mitigation efforts he canceled his HAZMAT response team. After meeting with Maintenance Supervisor Chung I met with the FHP and Fire Commanders to advise them of FDOT's cleanup plan and find out if they needed any further assistance from FDOT. At 0801 I repositioned the SIRV and upgraded existing MOT with 20 cones from the SIRV so I could release 1 Road Ranger. When FDOT's MOT crew arrived I assisted them in setting up their long term MOT and then released the remaining 2 Road Rangers at 0843 and 901 hrs. At 0957 I had the HAZMAT contractor reposition 2 of their trucks thereby opening another lane of traffic. At 1115 hrs I met with FDOT Management on scene. I was constantly updating TMC dispatch as the incident progressed. At 1158 as remaining crews were clearing the scene I was dispatched to another lane blocking event. All lanes were open at 1200 hrs.

**511 Update – Mike Millard**

- June was a slower month than usual for calls
- The calls were not the heaviest during the peak hour times
- There were about 180,000 calls total
- Currently working on a project with Dolphin Stadium
  - Parking conditions
  - Roadway and traffic conditions
- Website changes for the Dolphin Stadium section to show alerts for pre and post games
- There will be more information added to our website
  - Unique users
  - More website hits
  - Checking on camera usage
  - Streaming video coming in August

**Action Items:**

**List of Attendees:**

Affanato	Vincent	Hollywood Police Department
Allen	Keith	HTS Towing
Brown	Earl	FHP Troop L
Bundy	Erich	Kauffs Towing
Casale	Anthony	HTS Towing
Chung	Derrick	FDOT - D4 Maintenance
Danz	George	Broward County ME's Office
Dickson	Tom	DMJM Harris – SIRV Operator
Escoto	Byron	Road Ranger
Ferranti	James	Davie Fire Department
Francese	Guy	FDOT - D4
Gambino	Joe	Hollywood Fire Rescue
Gartner	Capt. Terry	FDOT - Motor Carrier Compliance
Gilmartin	Olaf	Pembroke Pines Fire Rescue
Kleinedler	John	Broward County TED
Lampley	Paul	FDOT D4
Letts	Gregg	DMJM Harris
Littlefield	Steve	DMJM Harris
Loscalzo	Sean	Superior Towing
Maloney	Dave	FDOT D4
Martin	Ron	Davie Police Department
McKissack	Ed	Florida's Turnpike / Delcan Corp.
Meltzer	Wayne	DMJM Harris – SIRV Operator
Millard	Mike	SmartRoutes System 511
Moley	David	FDOT
Murphy	Bob	DMJM Harris

Olsen	Diane	DMJM Harris
Pessoa	Donovan	FDOT D4
Prince	Douglas	OSHA
Quitoni	John	Deerfield Beach Fire Rescue
Ramos	Maggie	Sunshine Towing – Road Rangers
Schuldt	Kingman	Tamarac Fire Rescue
Waters	Craig "Mud"	FDOT - D4 Maintenance
Weissgerber	Mark	Davie Police Department
Young	Richard	FDOT D4