



Meeting Date: February 2, 2010
Meeting Time: 1:30 PM – 3:30 PM
Location: Palm Beach Vista Center
2300 N. Jog Rd.
West Palm Beach, FL 33411

Attendees: Listing Attached

Call Meeting to Order

Mike McGee of AECOM called the meeting to order. Introductions of all TIM members immediately followed.

Distributed Documents:

- Agenda
- Previous Meeting Minutes, December 2009

Review Action Items – Guy Francese, FDOT District Four Freeway Operations Manager

Fire Hydrant Study – District Four's District Traffic Operations Engineer (DFOE) attended a statewide DFOE meeting and reported that the state has adopted the fire hydrant study. Guy will be developing a work order to have signs made for the fire hydrants and have them installed.

Construction Update – Alicia DeFago, Northern I-95 HOV Expansion Project Public Information Officer

I-95 HOV Expansion, from Donald Ross Road (exit 83) north to S.R. 706/ Indiantown Road (exit 87A/B)
The \$43.5 million, 4.5-mile construction project will expand the existing six-lane interstate to 10 lanes, which includes one general-purpose lane and one High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) lane in each direction and additional auxiliary lanes. The project includes widening of the existing bridges over Donald Ross Road and the C-18 Canal; ramp improvements; sound barrier and retaining wall construction; signalization enhancements; new signing, pavement markings, lighting; and landscaping, including irrigation. The work began August 21, 2008 is being performed by Posen Construction. Construction is expected to be completed spring 2012.

Restrictions: There will be alternating closures to the inside travel lanes on northbound and southbound I-95, north of Donald Ross Road, Monday, February 1, through Thursday, February 4, for median widening. The contractor will close one lane at 9 p.m. and close a second lane at 11 p.m. All lanes will reopen by 6 a.m. each morning. Motorists should be aware of construction vehicles entering and exiting the roadway by all Donald Ross Road entrance and exit ramps and the median area just north of Donald Ross Road. One inside left turn lane, of two lanes, from westbound Donald Ross Road onto southbound I-95 is closed. One westbound through lane on Donald Ross Road, in the vicinity of the I-95 overpass, will be closed until approximately late summer 2010, for overpass widening, one westbound through lane will remain open. The inside eastbound lane of Donald Ross Road under the I-95 overpass is also closed. The advisory speed limit is posted at 25 mph on all the Donald Ross Road entrance and exit ramps. Please use caution.

I-95 HOV Expansion, from south of PGA Boulevard (exit 79A/B) north to Donald Ross Road (exit 83)
The \$44 million, 4.3-mile construction project will expand the existing six-lane interstate to 10 lanes, which includes one general-purpose lane and one High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) lane in each direction and additional auxiliary lanes. The project includes mainline ramp reconstruction and the widening of the existing bridges over PGA Boulevard and Military Trail (exit 79C). Additional enhancements include improved drainage; sound barrier and retaining wall construction; new signing, pavement markings, lighting, and landscaping. Construction began August 20, 2008 and is being performed by Community Asphalt Corporation. This project is expected to be completed winter 2011.

Restrictions: There are no anticipated lane closures. There is a stop sign at the northbound I-95 exit ramp onto westbound PGA Boulevard. This lane no longer merges. Advance warning signs are in place on the ramp to alert motorists.

Road Ranger Update – Guy Francese, FDOT District Four Freeway Operations Manager

A Road Ranger survey program has been included in the handouts and will be emailed to all TIM team members to distribute to their agencies.

The Treasure Coast Road Ranger Program contract has been delayed until further notice.



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Rapid Incident Scene Clearance (RISC) – Guy Francese, FDOT District Four Freeway Operations Manager

District Seven created a flyer for RISC procedures that is used by the Florida Highway Patrol (FHP) Troop C. It will be modified to be used in District Four for FHP Troop L.

Southeast Florida Regional Transportation Operations Committee / 511 – Bob Murphy, AECOM

The upcoming Pro Bowl and Super Bowl events will have Transportation Management Center staff present onsite to manage the flow of traffic to and from both events.

The SEFRTOC Committee has been updating the standard operating guidelines (SOG) to include uniform procedures on motorcades, messaging, and floodgate messaging from Palm Beach County to Miami Dade County.

Modifications are being made to the 511 system to make it more user friendly. A touch tone feature can be used now instead of just voice activation. Mike Millard stated that from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. there is staff available to assist people who get lost in the system.

Treasure Coast TIM Team Update – Chuck McGinness, AECOM

Treasure Coast had their January 21st meeting at the new Indian River State College Public Safety Complex. It has indoor and outdoor training facilities. The complex includes a shoot house, a fire station, a fire suppression lab, as well as classrooms for new recruits.

ITS Update – The ITS project is about 20% ahead of schedule and in March, dynamic message signs (DMS) will be installed. The ITS project is scheduled to be completed by December 2010.

Melissa Yunas of the Florida Division of Forestry attended the meeting to give a brief presentation on the wild fire season that has begun.

PRESENTATIONS

Palm Beach County Web Emergency Operations Center (EOC) – Matt Cronin, Palm Beach County EOC

Matt Cronin demonstrated a new program called WebEOC that the Palm Beach EOC will be using in the future. WebEOC is set to be implemented in February 2010. WebEOC is a new incident management based system that allows its users to collaborate on public safety information at the local, county, and regional levels. The regional view consists of three phases. Phase I connects the region in WebEOC. Phase II is County instances installed and linked via WebFusion Server, and Phase III is Municipal and partner agency use is expanded. Some features of the WebEOC are position logs and significant events, County Mission Tasks, Conference Call Board, Status Boards, County Warning Point Logs, Resource Manager, Traffic Boards, Damage Assessment Report, Hurricane Tracking, and a WebEOC Mapper that includes a GIS Interface. The next steps for WebFusion are for the WebEOC installations to be linked (County, Municipal, etc.) so information can be shared. Examples of information that can be shared with neighboring Counties are, activation level, evacuation decisions/timelines, impacts to infrastructure, shelter locations, capacities and status, and opening/closing of EOC, Govt. Offices, etc. Some key points of the WebEOC is that the WebEOC is not an out of the box solution, boards have been designed and customized to meet our processes, Interfaces can and have been built with other systems for a "One Stop Shop" type of system, the quality of the system is based on the quality and quantity of the information, and we are encouraging daily or regular use.

Matt Cronin can be reached at MCronin@pbcgov.org or 561-712-6320 for more information.

Palm Beach County Towing Regulations – Sgt. John Churchill, PBSO

On January 12, 2010, the Palm Beach Board of County Commissioners took action on the tow truck ordinance 2005-009 and revised it to state that all towing agency drivers are required to pass license checks and background checks. All towing vehicles will have an identification decal that will be visible. For more information, visit www.pbcgov.com/consumer.



Transportation Research Board – Bob Murphy, AECOM

Bob attended the annual Transportation Research Board (TRB) meeting in January and came back to the TIM team with ideas and concepts on Traffic Management. The Transportation Research Board engages professionals worldwide in a broad range of interdisciplinary, multimodal activities to lay the foundation for innovative transportation solutions. Some topics discussed at TRB were on active traffic management, HOT lanes, Regional Transportation Systems Management and Operations, 2010 Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD), and the US DOT ITS Strategic Business Plan for 2010 to 2014.

TIME 4 Safety (TIM in '10) Video – Mike McGee, AECOM

Mike showed module three, Lights, Cones, and Safety Vests of the TIM in '10 video.

International Association of Fire Chiefs: Benefits of TIM Committees – Mike McGee, AECOM

Mike gave a brief description on the importance of TIM teams and presented a handout on the benefits of having a TIM team.

I-95 Corridor Coalition Quick Clearance Workshop – Mike McGee, AECOM

There will be a Quick Clearance Responder Workshop hosted by I-95 Corridor Coalition. It will be February 23, 2010 at the SMART SunGuide Broward Regional Transportation Management Center located at 2300 West Commercial Blvd., Fort Lauderdale, FL. It is a free workshop and lunch will be provided.

2009 TIM Team Topics – Mike McGee, AECOM

Mike captured all the topics, presentations, safety tips, and action items for 2009 that the Palm Beach TIM team discussed. A handout has been provided to the TIM team.

Post Incident Analysis – Helena White, Palm Beach SMART SunGuide Vista Center

On January 20, 2010 at approximately 10:52 a.m. on I-95 southbound at Indiantown Rd. West, a vehicle rolled over and as a result closed the highway for approximately one hour and five minutes. Three occupants, including an infant were taken to area hospitals. Two Road Rangers assisted in recovering the vehicle and clearing the lanes 28 minutes prior to the towing company's arrival. This incident had the vehicle relocated, congestion cleared, and roads opened in 97 minutes.

Open Discussion – All

School Zone Signs – Kenneth Thomas of Rivera Beach Police Department requested assistance on getting school zone times fixed that are incorrectly printed. Guy Francese of FDOT District Four stated that he will give Kenneth contact information for Palm Beach County Traffic Engineering.

Indiantown Rd Flyover & I-95 – Mike Wells of Palm Beach County Fire Rescue requested that mile marker signs be posted to identify ramps that motorists are stuck on. This would help Fire Rescue in responding to the proper location quicker. Guy Francese of FDOT District Four stated that a work order was submitted last week to start the process of installing ramp ID signs.

James Jennings of Emerald Towing announced that their office has moved to 4000 Powerline Rd. He encouraged any and all agencies to visit the new office and become familiar with the equipment they have in their yard.

Bob Murphy of AECOM would like to commend Sgt. John Churchill of PBSO for wearing his safety vest on a fatal call that occurred on Forest Hill Blvd earlier in the week.

Action Items:

Ramp ID signs to be installed on Indiantown Rd Flyover and I-95. Update to be given at the next PB TIM meeting on April 6, 2010.



Attendees

Barbato	Dan	Target Engineering Group
Bryant	Jason	Palm Beach Vista Center
Burrie	Scott	FDOT D4
Cavendish	Scott	The Corradino Group I-95 Mobility 2000
Churchill	John	Palm Beach Sheriffs Office
Cruz	Meredith	The Corradino Group I-95 Mobility 2000
Day	Tim	Sisters Towing
DeFago	Alicia	FDOT - PB PIO
Dickson	Tom	AECOM / SIRV Manager
Faquir	Tahira	Vanus Inc.
Gartner	Terry	FDOT MCCO
Griffin	L.A.	ITS Florida
Irwin	Michael	TBE Group
Jennings Jr.	Jim	Emerald Towing
Johnston	Hugh	American Compliance Technologies
Keister	Ronald	Boynton Beach Fire Rescue
Main	Jeff	PB Gardens Police Department
McGee	Michael	AECOM / TIM Coordinator
McGinness	Chuck	AECOM / TIM Coordinator
Murphy	Bob	AECOM / Project Manager
Needham	David	Palm Beach Vista Center
Pompos	Tim	Palm Beach Fire Rescue
Ramos	Alex	Sunshine Towing
Scott	Daryl	Boca Raton Fire Rescue
Washburn	Mike	Florida's Turnpike
White	Helena	Palm Beach ITMS