



Meeting Date: November 17, 2011

Meeting Time: 1:30 PM – 3:30 PM

Location: FDOT Treasure Coast Operations Building #3
3601 Oleander Ave.
Ft. Pierce, FL 34984

Attendees: Listing Attached

REVIEW ACTION ITEMS/PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

St. Lucie County Fire Rescue provided information on the “Mud Jam” event that occurred on State Road 70. Inquiry regarding the event was sent to St. Lucie Sheriff’s Office Sgt. Mittwede, FHP Lt. Coker, and FDOT Treasure Coast Operations – Permits John Spivey. St. Lucie County Fire District reported that the event was a success with no severe incidents occurring.

INTRODUCTIONS / AGENCY UPDATES FROM TIM MEMBERS

Mike started introductions and agency updates. No updates were given.

UPDATES

I-95 Construction – Kathleen Dempsey, The Corradino Group

1. State Road 9 / I-95, Ground Mounted Visual Barrier Wall - Construct a visual barrier wall.
2. I-95 / State Road 9 Widening, from Indrio Road to the St. Lucie/Indian River County Line - Adding one lane each direction in the existing median throughout along with milling/resurfacing of the existing pavement; widening I-95 bridge at Indrio Road; constructing a noise barrier wall at the Spanish Lakes community.
3. I-95 / State Road 9 Widening, from Okeechobee Road to Indrio Road - Two lanes will be added in each direction, located within the existing median to keep the outside roadway limits about the same. The contract includes milling and resurfacing existing lanes, upgrading the bridges and interchanges at each end of the project, and upgrading signals and lighting.
4. I-95 / State Road 9 Widening, from the St. Lucie/Indian River County Line to State Road 60 - Adding one general purpose lane each direction in the existing median throughout along with milling/resurfacing of the existing pavement; removal/replacement of the existing bridges at I-95 over 4th Street/Citrus Road, 90th Avenue, and State Road 60/Osceola Boulevard; construction of noise barrier walls adjacent to the Department of Corrections Housing, Indian River Aerodrome, and Lakewood Village neighborhoods; upgrade of the entire interchange at State Road 60/Osceola Boulevard including ramp reconstruction, signalization upgrades, and minor widening and new lighting throughout the corridor.

For more information on construction projects in the area, visit www.d4fdot.com and click on Treasure Coast Construction Projects. To view upcoming lane closures for any of the above construction projects, visit http://www.d4fdot.com/tcfdot/TC-Lucie_Closures.asp

Road Ranger Program – Mike McGee, AECOM

FDOT will be signing a contract with State Farm to sponsor the Palm Beach fleet. The Trucks have been wrapped and an additional truck will be provided to act as a roaming supervisor.

Rapid Incident Scene Clearance (RISC) Program – Mike McGee, AECOM

RISC Activation #16 occurred on October 18, 2011. It occurred on I-95 NB at SW 10th St. A Tractor trailer crashed causing a fuel spill. This incident will be discussed during the Post Incident Analysis section.

RISC Contractor Inspections - Inspections will begin second week of December. The existing RISC contracts will be extended for one year and the contract will also be re-advertised.



TIM Outreach – Mike McGee, AECOM

Free training provided by FDOT

- Presentation to your command or training staff for approval
- Incorporate your own regulations and guidelines
- Make presentations to your personnel on the incident responder level
- Traffic Incident Management
- Intelligent Transportation System
- NTIMC National Unified Goal
 - Responder Safety
 - Safe, Quick Clearance
 - Prompt, Reliable, Interoperable communications
- RISC

If your agency has not had TIM outreach training, please contact Mike McGee at 954-847-2634.

Upcoming Traffic Events – Chuck McGinness, AECOM

PAL Ride - Sunday, December 11, 2011 10:00 a.m. Kickstands are up at 11:00 a.m. Location is at Victory Motorcycle Dealership located at 3525 South US 1, Ft Pierce, to PAL Park located at 903 S 21 St, Ft. Pierce.

PRESENTATIONS

Signal Four Analytics – Dr. Ilir Bejleri, Ph.D., University of Florida

It was presented to the TIM team a Florida web-based crash data analysis and reporting system that has been created to have easy access to a variety of crash statistics and data. This application is a statewide scope which provides consistency. The target audience of this application is agencies such as Law Enforcement, traffic engineering, transportation planning, school boards, research institutions, and injury prevention. Funding for such a program has been provided by Florida Traffic Records Coordinating Committee (FTRCC). The statewide pilot program began with the Florida Highway Patrol (FHP). This created a unified electronic reporting process and crash reports can be delivered daily.

The current capabilities of the program are mapping, queries, display crash attributes, chart distribution, export maps, tables, and charts, and save and share queries. Capabilities of the road map include automated intersection diagrams, access to individual crash reports, rank high crash streets and intersections, and additional queries and analysis types.

Goals for 2011-2012 are deploy the program statewide, to all interested agencies and to load and host statewide historic crash data of the last five years for every public road in Florida.

For more information visit <http://s4.geoplan.ufl.edu/> or contact Dr. Ilir Bejleri at ilir@ufl.edu or 954-214-7885.

Newly Renovated SMART SunGuide Website – Mike McGee, AECOM

Mike demonstrated the newly renovated SMARTSunGuide.com website. Mike showed the cameras and the signs that can be viewed when an incident is going on. The website is www.smartsunguide.com

Inter-agency Video Event Data Distribution (iVEDDS) System – David Needham, AECOM

Interagency Video and Event Data Distribution System (iVEDDS) is a live motion (real time) streaming video from closed circuit television (CCTV) cameras along the interstate (I-595, I-75, and I-95). They are hyperlinked to screens, time stamps, chronologies, and emergency responders. Emergency response agencies benefit from viewing live images before and during an incident. A request form is to be turned in for access. If anyone is interested in iVEDDS, please contact Mike McGee at 954-847-2634.

Post Incident Analysis – Mike McGee, AECOM

I-95 NB at SW 10th Street – October 18, 2011

At approximately 1542 hours, a tractor trailer was northbound on Interstate 95, approaching SW 10 Street. A passenger car coming off of the northbound on-ramp struck the right side diesel fuel tank. The passenger car came to a stop on the right paved shoulder near the northbound on-ramp. The tractor trailer came to a stop beyond SW 10 Street on the right paved shoulder. There was a diesel fuel spill across three lanes of travel and the right shoulder as the tractor trailer



pulled off of the roadway. It was raining heavily during this incident. BSO Fire Rescue closed off the three right lanes because of diesel on the road surface. FHP Sgts. Fletcher and Goswick activated RISC at 1651. FHP Lake Worth Regional Communications Center notified the RTMC at 1652. TMC contacted Severe Incident Recovery Team at 1702 and three RISC-certified trucks were enroute at 1703. Wrecker 101 (Emerald-60t), Wrecker 30 (A Superior-60t), and MOT truck 110 all arrived in 57 minutes. Notice to proceed given at 1759. SIRT treated the applicable lanes with Portland cement in order to restore traction to the traffic lanes. Lanes were reopened at 1815 (16 minutes). Florida Department of Environmental Protection arrived at 1735. All lanes opened at 1826.

Training Safety Tip – Secondary Crashes – Mike McGee, AECOM

Danger to motorists

- Can be more severe than original incident.
- Can occur as a result of traffic slowing quickly:
 - Around a curve
 - Beyond hill crest
 - Larger vehicle blocking view of scene
 - Moving in MOT area (lane squeeze)

Danger to on-scene Incident Responders:

- Setting up initial MOT or adjusting MOT.
- Incident Responders are moving around emergency vehicles.
- Distracted on scene by other activities:
 - Pulling equipment
 - Triage
 - Extrication
 - Paperwork
 - Re-positioning vehicles or equipment

Effect on Incident Responders:

- If close to original incident, draws off manpower and equipment to assess new incident.
- Requires Incident Responders to move out of defined MOT area of first incident while moving to other incident, before MOT is established.
- If farther away, secondary equipment and personnel have to respond.

Safety for Motorists/Incident Responders

- Upstream warning to traffic is best method to reduce or eliminate secondary crashes.
 - Dynamic Message Signs warn motorists of approaching incident.
 - Road Ranger responds to end of queue to provide advance warning to motorists.
 - Reduce time on scene using TIM Quick Clearance practices reduces exposure to danger (Get out of there)!
- Safety for Incident Responders
 - Secondary crashes upstream can “meter” or proportionally slow down traffic approaching first incident. (But, not at the secondary scene)
 - Stay alert! You can become the secondary incident!!!
 - Secondary incidents can create tertiary incidents!!!

Open Discussion – All

State Road 60 Mile Markers – Guy read the motorists’ complaint letter out loud to the group. Tom Greene of FDOT Maintenance stated that he would be willing to install all the mile markers if funding is approved.



Action Items:

- None

Attendees:

Callahan	Ray	FDOT Fort Pierce Operations
Corbo	Raul	Anchor Towing
Dempsey	Kathleen	The Corradino Group
Duran	Chief Carlos	St. Lucie County Fire District
Fatima	Neelam	Transportation Planning Organization
Francese	Guy	FDOT District Four Freeway Operations Manager
Greene	Tom	FDOT Maintenance
Herndon	Chief Kevin	St. Lucie County Fire District
Hoeffler	Paul	Kauff's Towing
Iovino	Sgt. Albert	Indian River County Sheriff's Office
McGee	Mike	AECOM
McKissack	Mac	Florida's Turnpike
Miller	Maya	Indian River County Traffic Engineering.
Myers	Kurt	St. Lucie County Public Safety
Needham	David	Palm Beach/TC Operations Supervisor
Parks	Sgt. Rick	Martin County Sheriff's Office
Ridenour	Greg	AECOM – SIRV
Weaver	Richard	Kauff's Towing
Wouters	Daniel	Martin County Fire Rescue