Proposed
National Unified Goal
For Traffic Incident Management

Working Together for Improved Safety, Clearance and Communications
What is Traffic Incident Management?

- *Traffic Incident Management* – TIM – refers to the Procedures and Practices used to respond to traffic incidents.

- *TIM Programs* are based on multidisciplinary Partnerships dedicated to implementing improved TIM Procedures and Practices.
What is the **National Unified Goal (NUG)** Traffic Incident Management?

The Traffic Incident Management National Unified **GOAL** is:

- Responder Safety;
- Safe, Quick Clearance; and
- Prompt, Reliable, Interoperable Communications.
How Will We Achieve the National Unified Goal?

NTIMC will achieve the three major objectives of the National Unified Goal by implementing 18 strategies.

Some of the major strategies include:

- Recommended practices for multidisciplinary TIM operations and communications;
- Multidisciplinary TIM training;
- Goals for performance and progress; (Yearly Self Assessment)
- Promotion of beneficial technologies.
- Partnerships to promote driver awareness.
Responder deaths and injuries are an increasing concern.

- >14 law enforcement officers die in vehicle incidents each year.
- >20% annual firefighter deaths occur on roadways.
- 52 towing industry struck-by deaths in 2013.
NUG Objective 1

Responder Safety

NUG Strategies for promoting Responder Safety are:

- Recommended Practices for Responder Safety;
- Move Over / Slow Down Enforcement
- Driver Training, Distracted Driver & Distracted Responder Awareness.
NUG Objective 2
Safe, Quick Clearance

- *Non-recurring* traffic incidents account for one-fourth of congestion and delay.
- 1 minute of Interstate lane blockage = 4 minutes of delay.
- TIM promotes quicker clearance, but not at the expense of responder safety, or of achievement of the missions of all responders.
NUG Objective 2

Safe, Quick Clearance

NUG Strategies for promoting Safe, Quick Clearance are:

- Multidisciplinary TIM Procedures

- Goals; Response and Clearance Time of 90 minutes.

- 24 / 7 Availability.
NUG Objective 3

Prompt, Reliable, Interoperable Communications

Improving incident communications is essential to achieving other goals.

Because incident communications is both important and complex, it is highlighted as the third NUG objective.
NUG Objective 3

Prompt, Reliable, Interoperable Communications

NUG Strategies for promoting Prompt, Reliable, Interoperable Communications are:

- Multidisciplinary Communications Practices and Protocols
- Prompt, Reliable Responder Notification
- Interoperable Voice and Data Networks
- Broadband Emergency Communications Systems
- Prompt, Reliable Traveler Information Systems
- Partnerships with News Media and Information Providers
6 NUG Cross-Cutting Strategies

6 NUG Strategies are cross-cutting. These strategies are the foundation for achieving all 3 major objectives of the NUG.

- TIM Partnerships and Programs
- Multidisciplinary NIMS and TIM Training
- Goals for Performance and Progress
- TIM Technology
- Effective TIM Policies
- Awareness and Education Partnerships
NTIMC Member Organizations

- Transportation (AASHTO, ATA/ATRI, ATSSA, FHWA, ITE, ITSA, I-95 CC, TRB, AMPO)
- Fire & Rescue (Emergency Responder Safety Institute, IAFC, IAFF, IFSTA, NFPA, NVFC, USFA)
- Emergency Medical Services (NASEMSO)
- Public Safety Communications (APCO, NENA)
- Towing & Recovery (TRAA, AAA)
- Law Enforcement (IACP)
- All endorsers of National “Open Roads”