



Collier – Lee - Charlotte Traffic Incident Management Team

February 14, 2024
Meeting Minutes

Call to Order: The Collier-Lee-Charlotte TIM Team meeting was held on Wednesday, February 14, 2024, at 9:30 AM at the SWIFT SunGuide Center, 10041 Daniels Parkway, Fort Myers, FL 33913. Tom Arsenault and Brandy Boccuti facilitated the meeting.

Introductions: The team members introduced themselves and the agencies they present.

Agency News:

Road Rangers

The team was reminded the Road Ranger shift has been added between 7:00 PM – 7:00 AM.

Towing and Wrecker News

Towing reminded the team of the Tow Show that will take place in Orlando, Florida April 2023.

Other Agency News

Ray Mikol, District One SWIFT SunGuide Center, informed the team that there has been an increase in Road Ranger struck-by's.

Sterling Bond, FDOT District One SWIFT SunGuide Center, informed the team that there has been a 12% increase in incidents from the prior year, 2023.

Update on TIM Initiatives:

Tom Arsenault, Metric Engineering, reminded the team about the purpose of the TIM Meeting.

- TIM is the coordinated detection, response to and removal of traffic incidents as quickly and safely as possible. TIM is a coordinated effort among multiple agencies.
- The primary purpose of TIM is to reduce the duration and impact of incidents as well as to improve the safety of motorists and most importantly our incident responders.
- The TIM Meeting is to help prop up the communication, coordination, and collaboration among our incident responders.

Tom Arsenault, Metric Engineering, presented to the team on, The First 15 Minutes at Roadway Incidents are Crucial.

- If the needed resources are called in early, it will decrease clearance times and minimize exposure to roadside hazards for both responders and the public.
- Communicating the proper incident needs will ensure the proper operations will be carried out and the needed resources will be available.

- Setting up a traffic incident management area properly and early on will reduce the chance of a secondary incident.

To view the full presentation, please visit the FDOT District One TIM Team website at: <http://www.swftim.org/>

Tom Arsenault, Metric Engineering, provided the Road Ranger performance statistics.

After Action Reviews (AAR) provide agencies with actionable intel on an incident or event that can be used for improved strategies for future occurrences, demonstrating the benefit of quick clearance practices and improve cross-agency coordination and communication.

AARs were performed on the following recent major incidents:

October 23, 2023

I-75 Northbound Near Mile Marker 77



Incident Details:

- Rollover Hot Asphalt
- RISC Event
- 2:07 PM Initial Notification
- 2:08 PM Activated by Trooper
- 3:49 PM Vendor on Scene
- 4:00 PM Notice to Proceed
- 5:22 PM All Lanes Open
- Incident Total Duration 82 Minutes

October 30, 2023

I-75 Southbound at Exit 101



Incident Details:

- Rollover Gravel Truck

- 10:52 AM Initial Notification
- 10:55 AM Activated by Sgt. Rodriguez FHP
- 12:17 PM Vendor on Scene
- 12:19 PM Notice to Proceed
- 1:11 PM All Lanes Open
- Incident Total Duration 52 Minutes

November 23, 2023

I-75 Southbound at Mile Marker 139



Incident Details:

- Wrong Way Driver
- Incident Verification: 0 seconds (Target 3 Min)
- Time to Post DMS: (Target 3 Min) 35 seconds
- Time to Dispatch RRSP: N/A
- Response Time (First Responder): 7 minutes 17 seconds
- Open Roads Duration: 4 hours 48 minutes
- Roadway Clearance Duration: 4 hours 52 minutes
- Incident Clearance Duration: 6 hours 13 minutes

December 12, 2023

I-75 Southbound at Mile Marker 139



Incident Details:

- Incident Verification: 0 Seconds (Target 3 Min)
- Open Roads Duration: 5 hours 48 minutes
- Roadway Clearance Duration: 6 hours 1 minute
- Incident Clearance Duration: 6 hours 7 minutes

FDOT Construction Update

The team was provided with recent construction updates. The FDOT District 1 weekly construction updates are also available to all first responders by request to Janella Newsome, FDOT, Janella.Newsome@dot.state.fl.us or by calling (863) 519-2828.

Future Meetings:

The next Collier-Lee-Charlotte County TIM Team will be held on April 10, 2024, at 9:30 AM.

Meeting Adjourned

*The list of attendees is attached to these meeting minutes.

As always, please continue to visit the TIM Team website for updates, and help support our TIM Team by providing the TIM Team website to others that may be interested in joining our team!
<http://www.swfltim.org/>

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Brandy Boccuti, Metric Engineering, Inc. at (407) 949-4283 or via email at brandy.boccuti@metriceng.com