



**Collier – Lee – Charlotte**  
**Traffic Incident Management Team**  
*February 11, 2026*  
*Meeting Minutes*

**Call to Order:** The Collier-Lee-Charlotte TIM Team meeting was held on Wednesday, February 11, 2026, at 9:30 AM at the SWIFT SunGuide Center, 10041 Daniels Parkway, Fort Myers, FL 33913. Tom Arsenault and Brandy Boccuti facilitated the meeting.

A tour of the facility was held following the meeting.

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

**Agency News:**

**Road Rangers**

Jason Dawkins, IncidentClear, introduced himself as the new Road Ranger Manager for District One.

Recent operations included winter weather preparation and additional staffing coverage during low-temperature events. Continued coordination between Road Rangers and responding agencies was emphasized to support quick clearance and responder safety.

**Towing and Wrecker News**

No updates

**Other Agency News**

Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT)

- The team was encouraged to notify FDOT of lane closures and incidents when FDOT personnel are not on scene. Traffic Management Center (TMC) can still support operations by publishing incidents to 511, DMS messaging, and other public communication platforms if notified.
- Rosanna Chambliss was introduced as the new FDOT District One Traffic Incident Management (TIM) Program Manager, working out of the SWIFT SunGuide TMC in Fort Myers. Ms. Chambliss will work in coordination with Tom Arsenault, TIM Program Manager, Metric Engineering, to support TIM.
- Florida Highway Patrol (FHP) / Training:
  - A reminder was provided regarding the National Traffic Incident Management (TIM) Responder Training requirements under recent state legislation. Wrecker operators

- are required to complete training, including ICS 700 (NIMS) and TIM training within 180 days of contract.
  - Upcoming training sessions were announced, and agencies were encouraged to register as needed.
  - Spring training season will begin later this month in Lee County. Daniels Parkway and Interstate 75 are expected to experience increased congestion during game times. Coordination meetings have occurred to minimize major lane shifts during peak event periods.
- Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP):
  - During discussion it was reiterated that any fuel spill exceeding (25) gallons requires notification to FDEP.
- Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO):
  - An update was provided regarding the proposed one percent transportation sales tax initiative, which was discussed at the most recent MPO meeting. The board is awaiting further action pending legislative decisions related to ad valorem tax options.
  - Additional MPO updates included:
    - Continued work on the SunTrail connection from Downtown Fort Myers to Cape Coral.
    - Ongoing Lee/Collier MPO consolidation study.
    - Database updates using artificial intelligence tools within GIS systems to improve bicycle and pedestrian planning data.
    - Injury Prevention Coalition (IPC) strategic planning efforts, including consideration of expanding to a regional five-county model.
- Community Traffic Safety Team (CTST):
  - The team was informed about the upcoming Safety Jam 2026, a free health and traffic safety expo scheduled for Saturday, February 28, 2026, from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM at the State College of Florida – Bradenton Campus. The event will include interactive safety stations, a bike rodeo with free helmet fittings, food trucks, live music, and other family-friendly activities.

### **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 communication, coordination, and collaboration among our incident responders.

John Parker, Florida Department of Transportation, presented on the Moving Florida Forward Infrastructure Initiative, focusing on SR 29 improvements in Collier County.

- Two project segments were discussed:
  - CR 846 to North of New Market Road (FPID 417540-5)
  - South of New Market Road to SR 82 (FPID 417540-6)
- Project goals include:
  - Reducing truck traffic through downtown Immokalee
  - Reducing congestion and traffic delays
  - Improving safety at intersections

- Providing multimodal opportunities for pedestrians and bicyclists
- Improving emergency evacuation capabilities
- Supporting economic competitiveness and regional supply chain efficiency
- Proposed improvements include:
  - New widened alignment of SR 29 as a four-lane divided roadway
  - 45–55 MPH speed limits depending on segment
  - Roundabouts at CR 846 and Westclox Street/New Market Road
  - Signalized intersection improvements
  - Directional median openings
  - Shared-use paths for pedestrians and bicyclists
  - Letting Date: October 15, 2026
  - Construction Duration: Approximately 3.5 years
  - Right-of-way acquisition is ongoing.

Tom Arsenault, Metric Engineering, presented to the team Connected Vehicle Technologies and their implications for first responders and Traffic Management Center operations.

- Overview of connected vehicle technology and vehicle-to-infrastructure communication:
  - Opportunities for first responders and TMC operations
  - Preparing agencies for the integration of connected vehicle systems
  - The importance of adapting response strategies to evolving vehicle technology was emphasized.

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:

RISC 26-16

December 9, 2025

Southbound I-75, Mile Marker 117

Incident Details:

- Semi Rollover
- 7:27 PM – Initial Notification
- 7:29 PM – Activated by On-Scene Trooper
- 9:00 PM – Vendor On Scene
- 9:27 PM – Notice to Proceed
- 10:30 PM – All Lanes Open
- RISC Duration: 63 Minutes
- Responding Agencies: FHP, DCS, Road Ranger.

December 12, 2025

Southbound I-75, Mile Marker 97

Incident Details:

- Multi-Vehicle Crash – Fatal
- RISC Activated
- Seven-vehicle crash involving three semi-trucks and multiple passenger vehicles, resulting in one fatality.
- 12:14 AM – Initial Notification

- 3:55 AM – Activated
- 4:52 AM – Vendor On Scene
- 6:10 AM – Notice to Proceed
- 8:03 AM – All Lanes Open
- RISC Duration: 78 Minutes
- NTP Stop Time (Fatal): 35 Minutes
- The incident required extended investigation and coordinated response due to the fatality.

December 12, 2025

Northbound I-75, Mile Marker 96

Incident Details:

- Multi-Vehicle Crash
- RISC Activated
- Following the southbound fatal crash, three additional separate crashes occurred on northbound I-75 near Mile Marker 95:
  - Crash One – Two semi-trucks and one pickup truck (no injuries).
  - Crash Two – Four passenger vehicles (no injuries).
  - Crash Three – One passenger vehicle vs. guardrail (no injuries).
- 1:12 AM – Initial Notification
- 1:28 AM – Activated
- 3:18 AM – Vendor On Scene
- 4:00 AM – Notice to Proceed
- 7:45 AM – All Lanes Open
- RISC Duration: 160 Minutes
- This sequence reinforced the risk of secondary crashes and the importance of traffic control and queue management.

FDOT Construction Update

The team received an update on current construction activities. FDOT District 1 weekly construction updates are available to all first responders upon request by contacting [FDOT-D1COMM@dot.state.fl.us](mailto:FDOT-D1COMM@dot.state.fl.us).

Future Meetings:

The next Collier-Lee-Charlotte TIM Team will be held on April 15, 2026, at 9:30 AM.

Meeting Adjourned

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