

Sarasota - Manatee Traffic Incident Management Team

June 9, 2009 Meeting Minutes

Attendees:

<u>Name</u> Carlos Bonilla Bob Diezi Keith Drake Gilbert Fernandez Richard Fimbel Scott Meabon Joseph McGee

- Agency FDOT Road Rangers Sarasota/Manatee MPO City of Sarasota DBi Services NRFD Venice Police Dept
- <u>Name</u> Kevin Salsbery Richard Schuldt Joseph Spina David Wyrick Ted Smith Christina Florez
- Agency FDOT DBi Services Direct Towing Venice Police Dept Delcan Corp VANUS

Call to Order: The Sarasota-Manatee TIM Team meeting was held on Tuesday, June 9, 2009 at 1:30 PM at the Sarasota County Public Works Office, 1001 Sarasota Center Boulevard, Sarasota, Florida. Ted Smith and Carlos Bonilla facilitated the meeting.

Introductions: Team members introduced themselves and the agencies they represent.

Update on T I M Initiatives:

Newsletter

The newsletters and addendums can be found by clicking on 'Document Archives' at <u>www.swfltim.org</u>. Newsletters are an opportunity for TIM Team member agencies to provide information about themselves, their respective discipline mission and their role at a traffic incident scene.

Statewide 511

It is anticipated that the new 511 Statewide System will be implemented by the end of June 2009. The 511 System is currently being tested internally.

<u>RISC</u>

There is currently one approved RISC contractor (Prompt Towing) for Charlotte, Lee and Collier Counties. Training will be commencing within the next two months for FHP Troopers and dispatchers. Once all personnel have been trained, RISC may be activated as necessary. There is a current Invitation to Negotiate for the RISC program.

SWIFT SunGuide Center

It is anticipated that the SWIFT SunGuide Center will be fully operational by the end of 2009. At this time, the Contractor is resolving punch list items.

Road Rangers

Beginning the 09 fiscal year, the legislature has approved funding for the Road Ranger program. This funding will allow for additional coverage by adding trucks and extending hours. Operations will begin as additional Road Rangers are hired and trained.

<u>SLER</u>

The Department has ordered three mobile radio units to be used in the areas that are currently not within the coverage area.

Evacuation Planning

Plans are currently under development by the Department. DBi is updating their plans to include a northbound shoulder plan between MM 179 and MM 200, 1300 cones, and 16 message boards. It is understood that although there will be through plans, it will take a significant resources and coordination efforts to implement, not including the resolution of concerns regarding the timeline necessary to implement.

'Proper Parking at Incident Scenes' Video

Ted Smith provided a video developed by the North Carolina Department of Transportation and the I-95 Corridor Coalition that demonstrates scene safety and best practices. The video is available for download on the project website, <u>www.swfltim.org</u>, under 'Document Archives'.

Median Crossovers

The issue of the lack of median crossovers was discussed. Pictures were provided showing some damage to one of the fire trucks after using the area under an overpass as a crossover. Carlos Bonilla suggested having a meeting with Don Olson and the fire departments to discuss this situation further.

Construction/Maintenance Update:

Weekly project information can be found on the FDOT website: http://www.dot.state.fl.us/publicinformationoffice/construc/constmap/d1roadwatch.htm

Incident Review:

There were no incidents to review. Don requested the TIM Team member call or email him regarding any incidents they are interested in discussing at the next TIM Team meeting.

Scheduled 2009 Meeting Dates:

August 11 (to be held at the Manatee County Public Safety Building) October 13 December 8

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