



## Sarasota - Manatee Traffic Incident Management Team

*December 8, 2020  
Meeting Minutes*

### Attendees:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Agency</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Agency</u>
Brandy Boccuti	Metric Engineering	Shari Hurst	D1 Satellite TMC/HNTB
Tom Arsenault	Metric Engineering	Rene Kelly	D1 Satellite TMC
Romona Burke	D7 FDOT/RTMC	Ray Mikol	TMC/HNTB
Cathie McKenzie	FDOT D7/ Gannett Fleming	Tristan Morath	Emergency Management
Justin Merritt	FDOT	Michael Swanson	Professional Towing Services
Robbie Brown	FDOT	Raul Corbo	Road Ranger
Shawn Kinney	FDOT	William Hall	East Manatee Fire Rescue
Kevin Salsbery	FDOT	Mike Swanson	Professional Towing
Uriel Garcia	DBI Services	Luis Hernandez	D1 SWIFT SunGuide Center/HNTB
Lindsay Brantley	FDEP	Md Hasibur Rahman	Sarasota County Public Works
Mike Bloski	Manatee County Hazmat	Steve Corbin	AutoBase
Shauna Griffin	FDOT	Domenic LetoBarone	FDEP
Travis Taylor	DBI Services	Ryan Brown	MPO
		Patricia Kirby	FDOT

**Call to Order:** The Sarasota-Manatee TIM Team meeting was held virtually on Tuesday, December 8, 2020 at 1:30 PM via GoTo Meeting. Tom Arsenault and Brandy Boccuti facilitated the meeting.

**Introductions:** The team members provided their name and agency in the chat box for introductions and meeting attendance record.

Brandy Boccuti informed the team that the virtual TIM Team meeting is being provided to the TIM Team stakeholders to allow the opportunity to connect safely during this COVID19 time.

Additionally, the virtual meeting guidelines were reviewed with the team to help the meeting run more smoothly.

**Agency News:****Road Rangers**

The team was informed that the Road Ranger Tow trucks which were recently added to their fleet has been a success. As a reminder the tow truck capability will allow the Road Ranger to safely move a vehicle blocking/obstructing traffic safely off the Roadways.

**Towing and Wrecker News**

No agency updates

**Other Agency News**

The TMC informed the team they have expanded the video walls at the Center by adding video walls on both sides, right and left, of the operation staff of both the TMC operators and the FHP staff which will provide more video capability for FHP when they are dispatching for a scene.

The FDOT is expanding arterial operations to include some of the signal retiming that monitor and manage the ramps of the arterials that feed off the interstate.

**Update on TIM Initiatives:**

Domenic LetoBarone, Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Southwest District Office presented to the team on the Florida Statute 252.351 mandatory reporting of certain incidents by political subdivisions. Please visit the following links which include the full presentation along with other important reporting websites.

**Political Subdivisions:**

Effective July 1, 2020, §252.351, Florida Statute

<https://www.flsenate.gov/Session/Bill/2020/538/BillText/e1/HTML>

[http://www.leg.state.fl.us/statutes/index.cfm?App\\_mode=Display\\_Statute&URL=0200-0299/0252/0252.html](http://www.leg.state.fl.us/statutes/index.cfm?App_mode=Display_Statute&URL=0200-0299/0252/0252.html)

**PowerPoint Presentation:**

<https://floridadep.gov/sites/default/files/Pollution%20Notice.pptx>

Contamination Reporting - Chapter 62-780.210, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C)

<https://www.flrules.org/gateway/ruleNo.asp?id=62-780.210> National Response Center (NRC):

<https://nrc.uscg.mil/>

**U.S. EPA:**

<https://www.epa.gov/emergency-response/national-response-center>

**State Watch Office (SWO):**

<https://www.floridadisaster.org/dem/response/operations/state-watch-office/>

**Public Notice of Pollution:**

Effective 2017 and pursuant to Section 403.077, Florida Statute

<https://floridadep.gov/pollutionnotice>

Brandy Boccuti, Metric Engineering, informed the team that District One is currently reviewing the results of the 2020 FHWA TIM Team Self-Assessments (TIM SA's). The TIM Self-Assessments are through the Florida Highway Administration (FHWA) and all TIM Teams throughout the nation participate in the self-assessments which are used to evaluate the progress of the teams and help

set goals for the teams. The goals for the upcoming year will be discussed at the next round of TIM Team meetings.

Brandy Boccuti discussed with the team about taking advantage of the increase selection of online learning opportunities as well as staying connected with current topics in the Traffic Incident Management community. Additionally, the team was informed about the Web-Based National First TIM Responder Training Refresher Video. The online training is for participant that has already attended the FHWA National TIM Responder Training Program. The training is not designed to replace the training, but to provide a refresher after some period of time has passed.

The refresher course includes a handout and a short 60 minute video. At the end of your training there will be an opportunity to download a certificate. To access the online course, please visit the following website: <https://timtraining.org/>

Tom Arsenault, Metric Engineering, updated the team on FDOT District One’s participation in the 2020 National Traffic Incident Response Week which took place November 9-16, 2020. The district included a Twitter recognition of Pedro, District One Road Ranger, in a highlight of the campaign “Help make sure Pedro gets home safely.”



Figure 1: National Awareness Responder Week Twitter Recognition

The National Traffic Incident Response Awareness Week is chance for all responder communities to individually and jointly make a difference by teaching each other, and the motoring public, about our common goal and responsibility to one another. To learn more, please visit [timnetwork.org](http://timnetwork.org).

Tom Arsenault, Metric Engineering, presented to the team a comparison of the Rapid Incident Scene Clearance (RISC) events over the past 5 Years which included 2017-2021. Please see details below in figure 1.

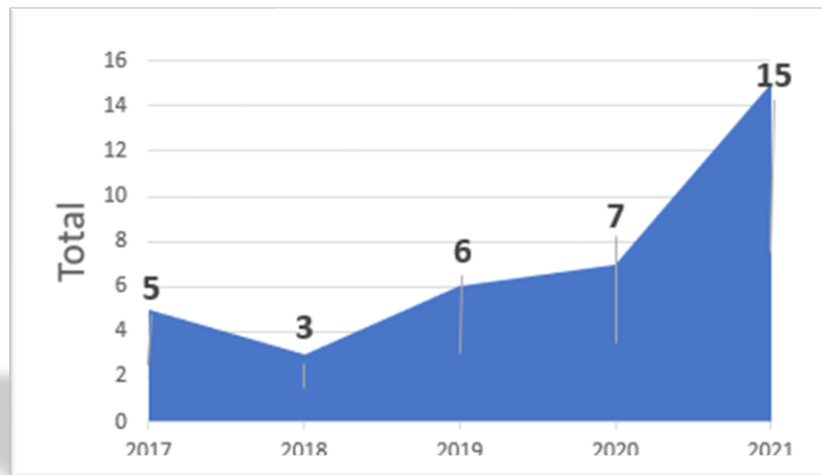


Figure 2: RISC Events July 1 – December 31 Five Year Comparable

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:

10/15/2020

RISC 21-06

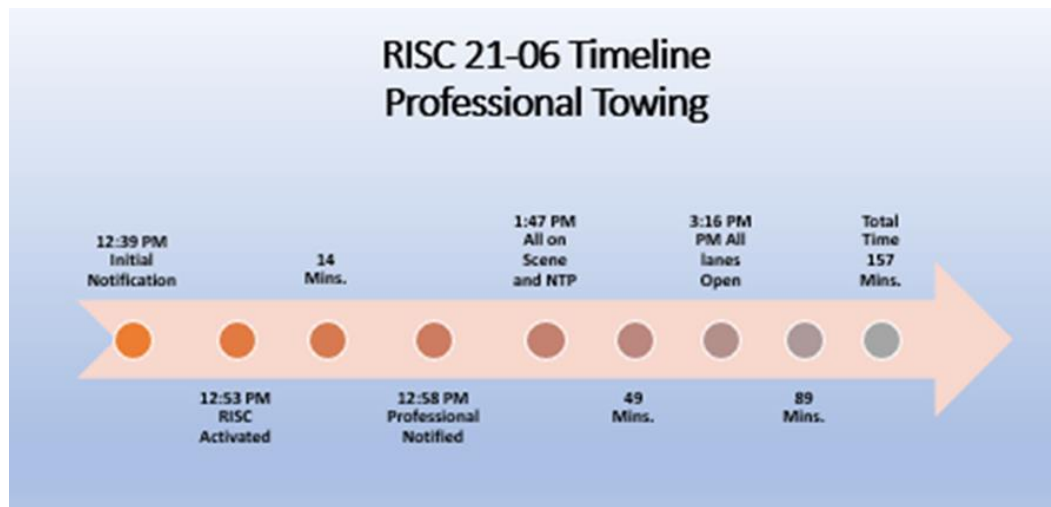
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State Road 70, onto NB I-75.

Responders: FHP, Manatee CSO, Road Ranger 111, Professional Towing, and DBI



Timeline:



Lessons Learned:

- This was a rolled over loaded scrap truck in the construction zone
  - Construction assisted in clearing the road.
  - No Injury
- Only 14 minutes between the crash and RISC Activation
  - Activated by Capt. Cardwell via Telephone with Tom Arsenault
- Good communication by the RR on scene to TMC via 2-way radio
- Good job by Professional towing getting on scene in required time (49 Minutes)

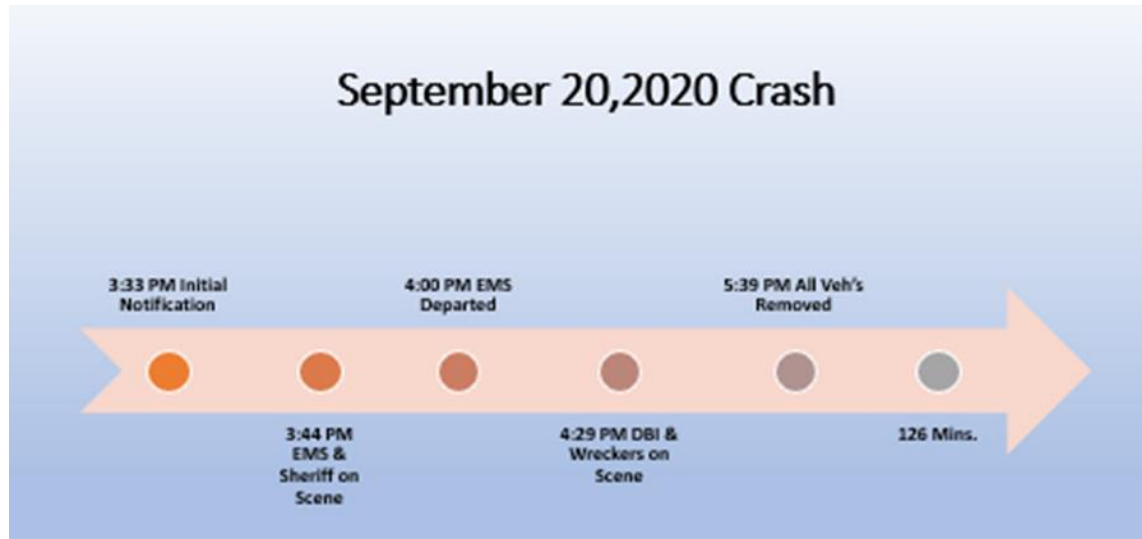
- Once on scene the 2 ramps effected were quickly cleaned up and the truck was back on its tires
- RISC Time 89 Minutes
- Total time 157 Minutes

11/20/2020

Southbound I-75 Near Miler Marker 172.

Responders: FHP, Sarasota CSO, North Port PD, Road Ranger 108, Sarasota EMS, and DBI

Timeline:



Lessons Learned:

- Good response times for on scene emergency equipment (11 Minutes)
- Responders included local P.D. going onto the interstate, something that we are trying to promote at TIM Meetings
- Importance to notify TMC/FHP the need for multiple wreckers
- Communication between TMC and DBI for the need for assistance was useful here in keeping traffic flow
- Activation to end just over 2 hours (126 Minutes)

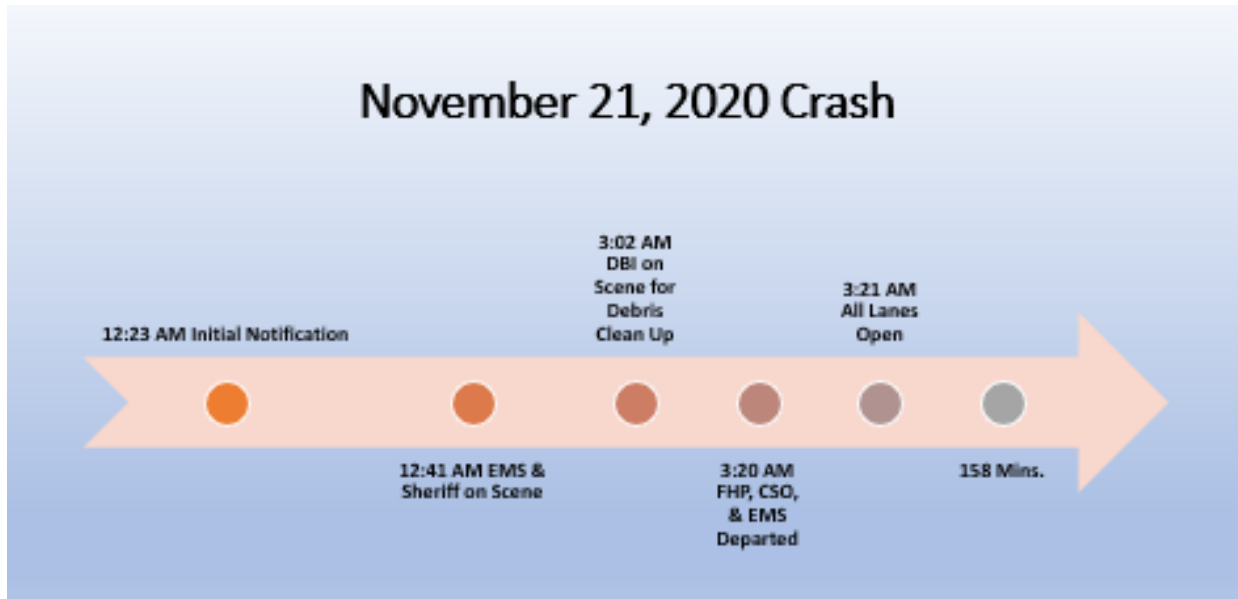
11/21/2020

Southbound I-75, South of Clark Rd, Near Miler Marker 203

12:23 AM

Responders: FHP, Sarasota CSO, Sarasota EMS, and DBI

## Timeline:

Lessons Learned:

- Early morning multi-vehicle crash
- Responders arrived in 18 minutes
- Good radio communication with TMC & FHP
- Crashes at night are hard to evaluate via cameras, this requires the eyes on the ground to relay equipment needs, injuries, number of tow trucks etc.
- DBI notified via 24-hour communications
- All lanes open in under 2 hours
- Total time of all equipment 158 Minutes

**FDOT Construction Update**

Brandy Boccuti reminded the team that the District 1 Roadwatch construction report is available to all first responders. To view the weekly District 1 RoadWatch construction report, please visit the following website: <http://www.fdot.gov/info/D1/news/newsreleases/default.shtm>

***Active Construction:***

No updated information was provided by the TIM Team.

***Completed Construction:***

No updated information was provided by the TIM Team.

***Anticipated Future Construction:***

No updated information was provided by the TIM Team.

Additional construction information is available on the FDOT Road Watch website located at <http://www.dot.state.fl.us/publicinformationoffice/D1/news/newsreleases/default.shtm>

**Future Meetings:**

The next Sarasota-Manatee County TIM Team will be held on February 9, 2021 at 1:30 PM.

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

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Brandy Boccuti, TIM Team Coordinator, Metric Engineering, Inc. at (407) 644.1898 or via email at [bboccuti@metriceng.com](mailto:bboccuti@metriceng.com)