



Sarasota - Manatee Traffic Incident Management Team

*February 8, 2022
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	Raul Corbo	Road Ranger
Justin Merritt	FDOT	Luis Hernanadez	D1 SWIFT SunGuide/HNTB
Robbie Brown	FDOT	Steve Corbin	AutoBase
Kevin Salsbery	FDOT	Mary Jo Dungee	Deangelo Contracting Services
Cathie McKenzie	FDOT D7 SunGuide	Mike Swanson	FDOT
Daniel Middleton	FHP	Wenonah Venter	FDOT/LEL
Francisco Walle	MOC FDOT	Michael K Ryan	Professional Towing
Romona Burke	FDOT D7	Mike McArthur	XX
Alex Velez-Nunez	Ferrovial Services	Larry Luh	Manatee County EMS Stepp's
Connie McNeill	FHP	Mike Bloski	Towing Service
Tom Egan	XX	Shane Styza	Manatee EMS
Durdija Mitrovic	XX	Anthony Pasqualini	South Manatee Fire
Phillip Waller	Bradenton PD	Bryan Carr	Professional Towing
Darrell Seckendorf	Sarasota Sheriff's Office	Franklin Wagoner	Ferrovial Services
Lina Cerquera	FDEP	Tristan Morath	Manatee County EM
Ray Mikol	FDOT/HNTB	Scott Lane	Northport Fire
Adam Chrisman	Cedar Hammock Fire Rescue	Mike Dowling	Prompt Towing

Call to Order: The Sarasota-Manatee TIM Team meeting was held virtually on Tuesday, February 8, 2022 at 1:30 PM. 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 Rangers are currently hiring. The Road Ranger performance measures were also provided to the team.

Towing and Wrecker News

No agency updates

Other Agency News

Ray Mikol, D1 SWIFT SunGuide, informed the team of the performance measures for 2021.

Law Enforcement informed the team of the upcoming St. Patrick Day Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over Campaign.

Scott Lane, City of Northport Fire Department, requested future discussion on practices on the pump out procedures and the roles and responsibilities.

Update on TIM Initiatives:

Brandy Boccuti informed the team about the success of the recent National Traffic Incident management (SHRP2) Training that took place virtually on January 27, 2022. The training certified over 50 first responders from the FDOT District One TIM Team.

The training was developed *BY RESPONDERS - FOR RESPONDERS*, with the objective that nationally, responders acquire a common set of core competencies that promote a shared understanding of the requirements for achieving the safety of responders and motorists, quick response, and effective communications at traffic incident scenes.

The National Traffic Incident Management Responder Training is endorsed by the International Association of Chiefs of Police, the International Association of Fire Chiefs, and the National Volunteer Fire Council.

Participants received a National TIM Responder Training certificate from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) after completing the training.

Some of the topics include:

- Notification and Scene Size-Up
- Safe Vehicle Positioning
- Command Responsibilities
- Traffic Management
- Clearance and Termination

Tom Arsenault, Metric Engineering, provided a training session on working the activity area/work zone.

The Buffer Space:

- Separates the Transition Area from the Incident Space
- No vehicles should be positioned within the upstream Buffer Space
- Provides recovery area for errant vehicles
- Speed of passing traffic and sight distance should be considered when determining the length of the buffer space.

Incident Space:

- Location where the incident has occurred, and emergency responders are working
- A blocking vehicle should be positioned at the upstream end of the Incident Space to protect workers from impacts by errant vehicles.
- Cones should continue alongside the Incident Space to help define the boundary between responders working and moving traffic.

Termination Area:

- Used to notify drivers that the Traffic Incident Management Area is ending, and they may resume normal driving.
- Includes the downstream buffer space and taper.
- Protects emergency responders working at the end of the Incident Space.
- Remember drivers will likely be frustrated from being stuck in traffic and may quickly accelerate.

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

Ray Mikol, D1 SWIFT SunGuide Center, provided the performance measures.

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:

December 10, 2021

Semi Crash

I-75, Mile Marker 204

FHP, Road Ranger, Ferrovial Services, and Stepp's Towing



Dump truck was on the side of the road repairing a tire when another semi hit the vehicle. FHP advises that the right NB lane of I-75 is closed at MM202 due to a commercial vehicle running off the road near Osprey. There are no injuries or fatalities reported at this time. There are no fires, and no fuel spills. An unknown amount of non-hazardous crushed rock was released from the vehicle. SunGuide Incident # 1099144.

Lessons Learned:

- During cleanup of the spill tapering around the incident needed to take an additional lane.
- The RISC could have been activated earlier to help reduce time.
- Clearance Time 52 minutes
- Total incident time 208 minutes.

December 28, 2021

Single Vehicle Fatal Crash

Southbound I-75 near Mile Marker 172

FHP, North Port Fire Department, Sarasota/Manatee Fire Department, FDEP, Road Ranger, Ferrovial Services, and Prompt Towing



All southbound lanes of I-75 are closed at mile marker 172 due to a crash involving an overturned tanker full of fuel. RISC was activated. Emergency crews were on scene. A portable water pond was set up along with foam to help prepare for any fires and/or sparks. SunGuide Incident # 11112576.

Lessons Learned:

- Incident originally called in as a rollover semi on top of a car. Once confirmed the incident was corrected to a semi that had ran off the roadway.
- Sarasota Sheriff's Office handled the traffic queue properly and advanced notice waring was set up accurately.
- The Fire Department set up a portable water pond.
- The location/incline of where the semi was located was a disadvantage to the recovery team.
- The pump out team to perform the specific task during these type of events need specific training and background to ensure it is completed safely.
- Clearance Time 85 minutes
- Total incident time 1,040 – 17 hours and 33 minutes

January 27, 2022
Rollover Sand Truck
Northbound I-75, near exit 191
Road Ranger, Ferrovial Services, and Advanced Towing



The incident involved a rollover dump truck that was fully loaded with sand and dirt. SunGuide Incident # 1128606

Lessons Learned:

- The RISC program could have been activated to help reduce the time of the clean up and road closure.
- Total incident time 265 Minutes

FDOT Construction Update

The District 1 Roadwatch construction report is available to all first responders by visiting 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 April 12, 2022 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