

NEW YORK STATE ASSOCIATION of MPOs
Safety Working Group
Wednesday, June 4, 2014

MEETING NOTES

1. Participating

- A/GFTC – Kate Mance
- CDTC – Sandy Misiewicz
- ECTC – Mike Perry
- GBNRTC – Hector Boggio
- GTC – Bob Torzynski
- NYMTC – Chris Hardej
- OCTC – Ashlee Long
- PDCTC – Erin Godwin (intern)
- UCTC – David Staas
- NYSDOT – Jackie Berlant, Regina Doyle, Cathy Kuzsman
- NHTSA – Shannon Purdy

2. Meeting Notes – May 7, 2014 (attached)

The meeting notes were accepted. Will resend corrected notes

3. Federal Rulemaking Review

a. NYSAMPO Safety Performance Measure Comments (attached)

Misiewicz reported on the effort. No comments from MPO Directors in response to draft.

Noted that NYSDOT shared comments on two points.

(1) Rolling average (5 yr v 3 yr) issue in terms of looking back.

Hardej supports 5 year rolling average in better smoothing aberrations

Kuzsman: NYSDOT's comment less about duration of rolling average, more about data time lag and look back

Gayle: Agree the important issue is the data lag, and looking back to measure present outcomes.

He will clarify the NYSAMPO comment

(2) Coordination of targets between states and MPOs.

NYSDOT asks for consistency in targets, since they manage HSIP expenditures.

Hardej: Acknowledge that NYSDOT is a member of all MPOs

Misiewicz: NYSAMPO supports flexibility in target setting; greater recognition of role of MPOs

Hardej: Coordination between NYSDOT and MPOs on targets is important

Gayle: MPO Directors will review on Friday

Kuzsman: NYSDOT responding to specific language.

Hardej: NYMTC has not decided how they will comment. NYCDOT will send their own comment

HSIP NPRM – NYSAMPO deferred to NYSDOT. Data collection of greatest concern in terms of resource demand.

Doyle: Support standard set of roadway elements (MIRE) but the cost is high; NPRM suggests states will need actual AADT on every road. Asking FHWA for guidance on statistical sample.

Gayle: Would NYSDOT be well served by NYSAMPO comments, even though HSIP is state-administered? Doyle will respond.

- b. Metropolitan Planning Rule –(attached)
 Misiewicz: since NPRM was just issued on Monday, address on next call. The expectation is that the Safety WG will focus on safety related topics.
 Based on a quick scan, NPRM does not specify how coordination on target setting is to be undertaken, but instead that it is to be spelled out in the Metropolitan Planning Agreement.
 Of concern is the proposal for performance measurement/management (p 18ff); SHSP (p20ff); Metropolitan Planning Agreement wrt PBPP provisions – data, targets, reporting
ACTION ITEM: Submit comments to Gayle and Misiewicz by June 27 for discussion on July call.
- 4. NYSDOT/Crash Record Coordination
 Misiewicz reported on the strategic plan.
- 5. ALIS Training Debrief
 Misiewicz reported on technical problems.
 Perry: Sattinger did a good job with limitations. ECTC looking at a new person doing crash analysis; would like hands-on; GIS WG had the same request.
 Possibly repeat training in the fall
 RSG will seek other facilities, polling MPOs about availability of community college or other computer training rooms. NYSDOT will investigate ability to make changes as far as Internet access.
- 6. Partnerships/Coordination
 - a. NYSDOT: HSIP Solicitation Status
 Doyle: No project selection announcements yet. NYSDOT Executive Management accepted all SSO Team recommendations except for one project that needed clarification.
 - b. NYSATSB (no report)
 - c. GTSC (no report)
- 7. Training/Conferences
 - a. FHWA Courses - Intersection Safety course
 July or August in Albany, Utica and Rochester (tentative); Torzynski working with David Orr CLRP on training location.
 - b. Designing Pedestrian Safe Streets in Upstate NY Locations
 Requested by HOCTS.
 Hardej: Did one in Albany
 Boggio: GBNRTC may have hosted a few years ago
 Hardej: July 16-18 at NYMTC
ACTION ITEM: Misiewicz will survey MPOs for interest
 - c. Highway Safety Conference Session Proposal
 MPO Session Tuesday at 4 PM, October 19-22, Lake Placid, NY
- 8. Other Topics
 Purdy: NHTSA has seats available for a Pedestrian Safety Management course; June 18-19 Harrisburg PA. Contact Purdy. Directed at State/County/MPO pedestrian safety program managers.

NYS Pedestrian Safety Action Plan: Scott Reigle (BMTS) is NYSAMPO rep. So far focusing on data.

Next Meeting Date: Wednesday, July 2nd at 1 PM