



NEW YORK STATE ASSOCIATION OF MPOs SAFETY WORKING GROUP

May 16, 2018
Teleconference
1:00 PM – 2:00 PM

MEETING NOTES

Participating

- AGFTC – Jack Mance
- BMTS – Cyndi Paddick
- CDTC – Sandy Misiewicz
- DCTC – Emily Dozier
- ECTC – Mike Perry
- GBNRTC – Hector Boggio
- GTC – Alex Kone
- NYMTC – Sherry Southe
- OCTC – Ashlee Long
- UCTC – David Staas
- NYSDOT – Regina Doyle
- NYSDOT – Geoffrey Wood
- NYSDOT - Andrew Sattinger
- NYSDOT – Geoffrey Wood
- NYSDMV – Chuck DeWeese
- CLRP – David Orr
- ITSMR – Renee Varone
- Planning4Places – Kathy Ember

1. Introductions

Sandy Misiewicz opened the meeting and the participants introduced themselves.

2. Meeting Notes

The April 18, 2018 meeting notes were accepted with no changes.

3. Metropolitan Planning Requirements

Alex Kone: The narrative regarding a description of the anticipated effects of the TIP towards achieving the Performance Targets was sent out to the MPO directors. Alex provided GTC's language for use in the materials sent out to the SWG. This description for the Safety Performance Measures and Targets must be included for any TIP amended or adopted after May 27, 2018.

4. Work Plan Discussion Items

a. SMTC Bike Safety PSA Project Update

Mike Alexander: The AAA video is under development with Spectrum. The issue that has occurred revolves around putting in the audio descriptions for people with visual impairment for the segments where there is no narrative. This description will play when close captioning is enabled. The LAB videos have been edited. The video should be sent to GTSC by the end of the week and it should be played a few days after GTSC receives

it. We are hoping to post the video to the NYSAMPO website and MPOs can share it. Mike is available to assist with putting together your own local broadcast campaigns if anyone needs any help. Sandy Misiewicz thanked Mike for his work on this effort.

b. PSAP Update Local Project Solicitation Status

- Regina Doyle: Applications were due from the Regions to Main Office on May 8th. We received \$40 million in application requests and we are currently reviewing them for eligibility. We hope to announce awards by the end of June. We received PSAP improvements for 19 of the 20 PSAP Focus Communities.
 - Sandy Misiewicz: Can you explain what the process is going to be if an entire application is ineligible? Regina Doyle: If the entire application is ineligible then we would send a “rejection/ineligibility” letter. Every local sponsor would receive a letter whether it is accepted or not. If there are parts that are ineligible – we would approve the application with caveats (identifying which parts are ineligible). Geoffrey Wood: The applications are looking good so far. Regina Doyle: We have reviewed four regions so far. A few issues have been identified that have to be worked through but overall, they look pretty good.

c. Other Subcommittees:

- ADA Subcommittee:

Emily Dozier: Kathy distributed a spreadsheet to the SWG from the ADA Subcommittee. The Subcommittee will be looking at ADA inventories and for communities who are looking to create ADA transition plans. The Subcommittee has reviewed 6 tools so far. If there are any corrections to summaries or tools we should look at, please let the Subcommittee know so that we can talk with you separately.

In summary, we looked at the SAPFIM tool and we are trying to find out from Kara at FHWA what the cost of the tool will be since Jeff Quakenbush supplied some numbers for SAPFIM which were different. Watertown sent a spreadsheet for iPads focusing on curb ramps. Warren County has been using a GIS tablet tool which Jack provided. It is an ArcGIS Collector and ArcGIS Online tool for sidewalks, curb ramps, and crosswalks. The demo is available online. This option is the favorite so far. They have also been using the NYSDOT screening method. We also have looked at a BMTS spreadsheet and a NYSDOT method. Are other MPOs using other tools or methods?

 - Mike Perry: The City of Elmira used the NYSDOT method which included no fieldwork, Google street view, and Bing and the NYSDOT scoring methodology. Emily will talk to Mike off-line to discuss their effort further. Emily asked for feedback on the spreadsheet and whether it would be useful for those preparing an ADA Transition Plan. The goal is to recommend one or two tools as Best Practices. We could do a demo or detailed presentation at a later date. Sandy Misiewicz: The CDTC ADA staff person is looking at the summary as well.
- Safety Education Toolkit Subcommittee:

Alex Kone: The Subcommittee which includes myself, Jen Ceponis, and Mike Alexander will be having a teleconference call next week.

- Complete Streets Subcommittee:
Sandy: Myself, Geoff Urda and Kathy had a conference call to brainstorm Fact Sheet ideas. The goal is to target this Fact Sheet toward elected officials and highlight the importance of Complete Streets. We are developing an outline and will share it with the SWG. Kathy Ember: We will be using the same InDesign format as the Safety Fact Sheet.

Sandy Misiewicz: If you have questions about any of this work or are interested in serving on any of the Subcommittees, please contact Sandy or Kathy.

5. Partner Updates

- a. NYS DOT: Andrew Sattinger: Regarding the CLEAR project, we are looking at network screening and there has been significant representation from different groups including the MPOs. Sandy Misiewicz: We have relayed thoughts from nine MPOs and sent them to the Consultant Team. Andrew Sattinger: Thanks to Sandy for representing the MPOs. Regina Doyle: Regarding the Safety Performance Targets, we are working on setting targets for 2019. We have looked at the data, drafted a draft set of targets, and met with GTSC and there will be more to come regarding the targets. Sandy Misiewicz: I know that the GTSC Highway Safety Plan will have targets when it comes out this summer. Regina Doyle: That's correct – there are three common targets. We will let you know about the targets before it comes out.
- b. ITSMR: Renee Varone: There have been some updates - Census and crash data is available on the TSSR. Some bar charts that feature the data are available as well. The state-wide fatality and injury rates are available by VMT and population and licensed drivers. Also, a county crash rate for fatalities and injury rates based on populations and license information is available as well as motorcycle crash data. These new sections are found in the pre-existing reports area. If you have trouble locating them, the initial TSSR page explains new reports and features and it describes each section that was added with a direct link. We are working on updating the 2017 preliminary ticket data. Sandy Misiewicz: How far back does VMT rate data go? Renee Varone: I believe the data begins in 2009. The DMV website has the archive summary tables as well that may go back to 2002. Sandy Misiewicz: Is this county geography? Renee Varone: The county data is on the GTSC website.
- c. GTSC: Chuck DeWeese: Regarding the PSAP, we are continuing to run the PSAs. In terms of law enforcement training, our staff is doing training in the Hudson Valley – Westchester in Valhalla May 21st and at the Orange County Emergency Services May 22nd. Our grant deadline was May 1st and we received 700 applications they request funding beyond what is available. We are still working on an Accident Information System (AIS) rewrite. We will have a mini-contract to write an RFP. In the meantime, we have a group that reviews the MV104. The Highway Safety Plan is due on July 1st. This update will be computer-based. There is a workshop for police regarding a swab method to find the presence of illicit drugs on June 14-15 in Latham. Please register with Jen Limoge at NY State Police. DREs or impaired driving police officers might be interested. Emily Dozier: Are materials available about the law enforcement training? Is it available online? Chuck DeWeese: Jim Knapp will follow-up regarding locations. Emily Dozier: Regarding the grant applications – do you know when notifications will be

released? Chuck DeWeese: They cannot start spending until October 1st however, some applicants will be notified sooner in the summer.

- d. Cornell Local Roads Program: David Orr: We will be providing a local safety improvements workshop in August and advertising for it will go out soon (1st week probably). We will send a copy to Sandy to distribute to the SWG. We are looking at next year's plan so please let us know what workshops you might be interested in.
- e. NHTSA: No report.
- f. FHWA: No report.
- g. NYSATSB: Sandy Misiewicz: We will forward meeting notes to the SWG once they are available.

6. Other Topics

Please let Kathy Ember know how many Safety Fact Sheets you may like for your MPO as we are going out to print.

7. Training/Conferences

- a. Local HSIP Peer Exchange – Sandy Misiewicz: We have gone back and forth on scheduling and due to some other conflicts, we have opted to move this event to August. We apologize for the inconvenience. Looks like August 16th is the best date. If you are interested, please contact Sandy about what topic is of interest.
- b. October 15-18: New York Highway Safety Symposium (Lake Placid, NY)

Action Items

The following item was noted for follow-up:

- All: Please send Safety Fact Sheet counts to Kathy Ember.
- All: Please let Sandy or Kathy know if you would like to volunteer on any Subcommittees.
- All: Please contact Emily Dozier with any comments on the ADA spreadsheet.