NYSAMPO Association
Safety Working Group
Teleconference Call
April 26, 2017 @ 1 PM

Meeting Notes

1. Introductions
   - A/GFTC – Jack Mance
   - BMTS – John Sterbentz
   - CDTC – Sandy Misiewicz
   - DCTC – Emily Dozier
   - ECTC – Mike Perry
   - GBNRTC – Hector Boggio
   - GTC – Alex Kone
   - HOCTS – Ethan Brennan
   - NYMTC – Sherry Southee
   - OCTC – Ashlee Long
   - SMTC – Mike Alexander
   - UCTC – David Staas
   - NYSDOT – Tom Benware
   - NYSDOT – Regina Doyle
   - NYSDOT – Cathy Kuzsman
   - NYSDOT – Robert Zitowsky
   - NYSDMV – Chuck Deweese
   - NHTSA – Richard Simon
   - CLRP – David Orr
   - ITSMR – Renee Varone
   - Planning4Places – Kathy Ember

Sandy Misiewicz reported that T.Y. Lin, Cambridge Systematics, and Planning4Places team is the new NYSAMPO staff services support. Kathy Ember, Planning4Places and Nicole Waldheim, Cambridge Systematics will be assisting with the SWG.

2. Meeting Notes – March 22, 2017 (attached) were accepted with no changes.

3. Work Plan Updates
   - NYS Strategic Highway Safety Plan Draft Report Discussion
     - MPO Comments on Draft Plan
       Sandy Misiewicz: Comments are due at the end of the day. NYSDOT sent out the drafts about a week and a half ago for review.
       Regina Doyle: Provided an overview of the process for developing the plan – they started working on the plan last fall. All of the MPOs were invited throughout the process to comment on the plan. The 1st review (underway now) is by initial stakeholders. Following the review period, there will be a 10-day comment incorporation period. The current comment period is for content only (the plan layout will be finalized after the content is set). The overall goal is to have a more public-friendly document with high-level discussion of 1-2 pages per emphasis area and a detailed action plan in the back of the document. They are using a 2% goal for fatalities and serious injuries which is consistent with the 2018 target goal in the GTSC HSP. NYSDOT has received 2 individual MPO comments so far from A/GFTC and GTC. In May, there will be an executive review of the document within NYSDOT followed by a 3rd review by the Governor’s Office in June. Then the document will go to FHWA.
       Sandy Misiewicz: Sandy and Emily Dozier have pulled together the remaining comments and will work with the staff support consultant team to submit the comments by the end of the day. Sandy Misiewicz asked if there were additional comments on the plan and whether the SWG had any comments regarding the identified partners within the 6 emphasis areas.
o **PSAP Update**
Tom Benware: NYSDOT has Design Services Agreements (3) in place and assignments will be made to consultants soon. Have design approval for treatments and construction projects which will be underway this summer and PSAP countermeasures will be employed in urban areas. Along with partners GTSC and Department of Health, there will be training for enforcement officials about pedestrian behaviors and the Department of Health will be organizing public service announcements. GTSC will be putting out another enforcement blitz this year in the middle of June and public service announcements will run prior to and just after that period.

o **Local Project Solicitation Status**
Tom Benware: Working on a local solicitation element and putting together an application that should be ready by the end of the summer. Sandy Misiewicz asked a question about the State’s implementation project this year – is there a specific list by region of locations? Tom: the regions identified the sites – most are uncontrolled crossings treatments with some signalized locations.

- **Traffic Records Coordinating Council**
  Sandy Misiewicz: The Draft Traffic Safety Information System Strategic Plan for 2018 was forwarded. Projects include revisions related to crash systems in New York such as revisions for 104S forms for NYSDMV, support for NYPD to develop an electronic crash report submission process to DMV, continued support for processing data into FARS, ALIS upgrades and data integration communication between DMVs Accident Information System and SIMS, and further expansion of ITSMR crash data repository. Document will be approved tomorrow. If there are any questions about details on these projects please contact Sandy.

- **FY2016 Tribal Program Safety Fund Awards**
  Sandy Misiewicz: A grant was awarded to the Oneida Nation to develop a new Tribal Safety Plan.

- **NYSAMPO Conference Safety Working Group In Person Meeting - June 19**
  Sandy Misiewicz: Asked attendees if the SWG had any preferred topics, hearing none, she listed some of her ideas related to data record systems (ALIS update, roadway data and other data record systems). Another topic is looking at what the training needs are for the rest of the year and brainstorming on an SHSP fact sheet. She will follow-up on topics via email – please follow-up with Sandy via email if there are any suggested topics.

4. **Partner Updates**
- **NYSDOT**
  Regina Doyle: Safety performance targets have been approved and will be shared with the MPO Directors on Friday. The targets presented at the workshop were approved. This information will be forwarded to the SWG after approval by the Directors.

- **ITSMR**
  Renee Varone: Reported about 4 new ticket reports in the TSSR (county, statewide - cell phone, texting, and impaired alcohol and drugs, and safety restraints). Also, there will be county by municipality breakouts on the tickets and large truck reports.

- **GTSC**
  Sandy reported that there was a TRCC meeting to approve the State Traffic Records Plan. GTSC is working on the 2018 Highway Safety Plan with DOT, and reviewing of over 700 grant proposals statewide to GTSC for 2018.

- **Cornell Local Roads Program**
  David Orr: There will be a session in Syracuse for 15-30 people. Asked if there is still interest in a Batavia session – hearing yes from Al (GTC) on hosting it, they will look for dates this summer (after
June). Design of ADA Curb Ramps workshops will be in late June in several locations – will email to Sandy for distribution to the SWG. Announced National STIC Conference – those details will also be emailed around.

- **NHTSA**
  Rich Simon: Highway Safety Plan due to NHTSA on July 3rd. It is the first document to have joint targets for fatality and serious injury rates. Regarding the Traffic Records Coordinating Council, an incentive grant that NYS will likely apply for is a Section 405C for traffic records. This grant funds crash records and traffic records systems improvements. Shannon, from NHTSA, has been doing some pedestrian law enforcement training in New York has been getting recognition across the country.

- **FHWA**
  No report.

- **NYSATSB**
  No update – there is a meeting later this month and Sandy will be attending and will report back on the next SWG.

5. **Training/Conferences**

- April 27: [PBIC: Designing for Bicyclist Safety at Intersections Webinar](#)
- May 10: [PBIC: Incorporating Bicycle Networks into Resurfacing Projects Webinar](#)
- May 17: [Making the Most of Main Street: Complete Streets & Walkable Communities -Webinar](#)
- May 17: [APBP Webinar: Making Crossings Safe, Convenient and Inviting](#)
- June 20-21: [2017 MPO Conference](#) (Syracuse, NY)
- September 15: New York Bike Summit - NYBC (Albany, NY)
- October 15-18: NYS Highway Safety Conference (Niagara Falls)
- March 28-29, 2018: Walk-Bike NY 2018 (Schenectady, NY)

Sandy Misiewicz encouraged the SWG to spread the word about the upcoming NYAMPO Conference – it is free for MPO staff and member agencies but $150 for others. There will be a session on the SHSP discussion. Regarding the Conference agenda, the Conference Committee is talking soon about the agenda and there may be more information after that meeting. The SWG meeting will take place on Wednesday at 3:00 or 4:00 pm.

6. **Other Topics – New NYSAMPO Staff Support**

- Sandy Misiewicz had a discussion with Kathy Ember about the role of new staffing on organization of training and educational materials and we can talk further about those topics at the in-person meeting. We can also talk further about new databases at upcoming meetings related to screening methodologies and what tools would be in a new version of ALIS (further discussion on the May call).

7. **2017 Meeting Schedule (all Wednesdays at 1 p.m. unless otherwise noted)**

- May 17th – Tentative FHWA ADA presentation
- June 19th – MPO Conference in person SWG meeting in Syracuse
- July 19th
- August 16th
- September 13th
- October 18th
- November 15th
- December 20th