



NEW YORK STATE ASSOCIATION OF MPOs TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM MANAGEMENT & OPERATIONS WORKING GROUP

**December 10, 2019
Conference Call
2:00 PM – 3:00 PM**

MEETING NOTES

Participating

- GTC – Joe Bovenzi (Chair)
- CDTC – Chris O'Neill
- CS – Rich Denbow
- CS – Karen Kiselewski
- SMTC – Mario Colone
- DCTC – Mark Debald
- FHWA – Tim Crothers
- NYMTC – Jan Khan

1. Introductions

Joe Bovenzi welcomed the Working Group (WG) members and started the meeting.

2. Florida DOT District 4 TSMO Master Plan

Karen Kiselewski from Cambridge Systematics presented on behalf of Florida DOT (FDOT). She provided an overview of FDOT's District 4 TSMO Master Plan.

- District 4 (D4) covers counties on the east coast of Florida from the Vero Beach area down to Fort Lauderdale in Broward County.
- At the State level, FDOT completed a TSMO Statewide Strategic Plan in 2017. The Plan makes the business case for TSMO and provides direction for the State and to the Districts. It includes a vision and program mission, goals and performance objectives, an organizational structure, staffing and workforce needs, processes, and TSMO projects and services.
- FDOT D4 created a TSMO Master Plan for the District. The D4 plan addresses opportunities to better manage the existing network and leverage existing infrastructure, establishes the TSMO network, identifies needs & strategies, and prioritizes improvements.
- It also serves as a mechanism to mainstream TSMO across District offices and include TSMO in all development phases, and it encourages partner coordination.
- The overall goal was to identify where it makes the most sense to implement TSMO projects. Karen discussed details about how TSMO corridors were identified, how

appropriate project types were identified, the selection of project locations, and the prioritization of projects.

- FDOT, MPOs, and local agencies work together to identify TSMO projects, prioritize them, identify available funding, and program projects in TIPs and work programs.
- Karen discussed lessons learned from developing the D4 Master Plan, which include:
 - Traditional planning/programming cycles and technology changes occur rapidly, therefore, project design and cost may be better left to a future phase;
 - Operations and maintenance funding generally is a local agency responsibility;
 - Creativity is needed to leverage resources;
 - Infrastructure referenda that allow TSMO projects are beneficial; and
 - There is a need for on-going education and coordination.
- In response to a question, Karen stated that asset management is not directly considered in the Master Plan. It is an underlying assumption, and the District has other tools available to help them determine life cycle maintenance needs and costs.

3. TSMO WG Work Plan Update

Joe said the WG Work Plan will be updated over the next few weeks. He will review and provide suggested updates and circulate a draft Work Plan to the WG members for comment. He asked for thoughts and input on topics or issues the WG should focus on over the next year.

4. Roundtable

MPO Updates:

- Mario Colone said SMTC updated their CMP. It incorporates NPMRDS data, which took a lot of staff time to fully dive into. There is a lot of information available from the data beyond that which is provided by the AVAIL tool, which is developed by the State University of New York at Albany.
- Mario also said SMTC will soon adopt it's UPWP. It will include activities related to discussions of co-locating transportation management operations into a single Traffic Management Center for the State, County, and City. Currently in the Syracuse MPA, member agencies are operating and maintaining standalone traffic operations centers. Joe added that the Rochester area has seen a huge benefit resulting from co-locating operations, and he offered to help SMTC if needed.
- Mark Debal reported that the three MPOs in the Mid-Hudson Valley TMA are putting final touches on a technical memo describing the screening process used for the CMP. They have done a macro-level screening of the highway system using NPMRDS data.
- Jan Kahn reported that NYMTC is updating their LRTP. As part of this process they will also update the CMP. They will use the NPMRDS data and incorporate the federal performance measures.
- Chris O'Neill reported that CDTC recently finished a first draft of its CMP update. They are also using NPMRDS data. A key focus area of the CMP is traffic signal timing and one of the activities is to conduct an inventory of traffic signals.

- Joe reported that GTC will update their CMP as part of the LRTP update and will work on an ICM plan as well.

NYS DOT Update:

- No update at this time.

FHWA Update:

- Tim Crothers reported on upcoming workshops on TSMO program planning and developing program plans, integrating emerging mobility into transportation management, and planning for reliability. Fliers will be distributed to WG members. Chris added that a FHWA reliability workshop was held in Albany recently that was very helpful.

5. Next Meeting/Adjourn

The next meeting is scheduled for March 10, 2020