



NEW YORK STATE ASSOCIATION OF MPOs SAFETY WORKING GROUP

January 4, 2023

Webinar

10:00 AM – 11:00 AM

MEETING NOTES

Participating

- AGFTC – Jack Mance
- DCTC – Emily Dozier
- GTC - Alex Kone
- GBNRTC - Hector Boggio
- HOCTC -Alexander Turner
- ITCTC - Jay Lambrix
- OCTC - Lauren Bennett
- SMTC - Michael Alexander
- UCTC – David Staas
- NYSDOT – Andrew Sattinger
- NYSDOT - Robert Zitowsky
- NYSDOT - Christina Graveling
- NYSDOH - Jennifer Hogan
- FHWA - Teresa Haslauer
- FHWA - Nicole McGrath
- CLRP - David Orr
- GTSC – Jason Maher
- GTSC - Amanda Bertram
- NHTSA - Francisco Gomez
- Cambridge Systematics – Cory Hopwood
- Cambridge Systematics – Danena Gaines

1. Introductions & Updates

Alex Kone opened the meeting with introductions.

2. Meeting Notes

The November 30th, 2022 meeting notes were shared. SWG members can send changes over the next few weeks. Emily requested meeting notes be shared in advance of the meeting.

3. GTC Regional Safety Plan Scope of Work

Alex shared the GTC Regional Safety Plan Scope, which is going to their Planning Advisory Committee this week. This is being developed in hopes of having the pieces in place for meeting SS4A requirement, as well as prioritized means of utilizing their own Planning Target HSIP funds. The scope includes a review of the strategies and initiatives at the state level, outreach tasks, and safety analysis, including trend analysis, equity analysis, network

analysis (using NYSDOT Red Book) and performance target setting. The scope also includes a countermeasure toolbox and a Local Road Safety Plan template to assist local partners. Alex requested others send or share their related scopes to be included in a SharePoint repository ([folder](#)).

NYSDOT is looking for equity analysis best practices to provide resources or guidance to the MPOs and locals. Emily Dozier suggested performance target development potentially be included or integrated more with the network analysis. Andrew Sattinger highlighted the state's interest in providing tools to help with the analyses and target development, as well as any additional support.

4. 2023 NYSAMPO Conference Technical Session

Alex mentioned a panel had been developed, including Robert and Teresa, to show how local and federal processes work together. David Orr also discussed a proposal to present on legal liability. Cornell also plans to host another MPO training session. Emily mentioned they would support promoting and getting the word out. David plans to send a description for the MPOs to share.

5. CLEAR Safety App QA Process

Robert shared an update on CLEAR testing. CLEAR Safety is the more complex tool that produces the network screening, and NYSDOT is hoping to get MPOs to test the screening, specially "CS9". This provides information on results and if the script passed or failed. The deadline for this testing has been extended to account for the holiday.

NYSDOT is still making adjustments and appreciates any questions. Emily asked about CS9 scripts and the run scenario, as well as if CS10 must be complete. Their results did not provide scores or gave zeroes, which may be partially due to use of placeholder data or changes to background data. More information on the score would be helpful.

6. Strategic Highway Safety Plan Update

Robert provided an update on the SHSP, specifically including the Vulnerable Road User Assessment. A working group has been developed to focus on this. The slide deck related to the SHSP progress will be shared. NYSDOT is pushing for use of the Vulnerable Road User code on NYSDOT financial systems to ensure adequate funding is being spent on Vulnerable Road User safety.

7. Partner Updates

- a. NYSDOT: Andrew Sattinger announced there will be dates for new CLEAR training soon, including MPO-focused trainings on the Work Program function and investigations. They are meeting with their SHSP consultant on the Vulnerable Road User Safety Assessment to develop the full scope. This will be able to be included in the SHSP this year.

They are still working on how to implement the Roadway Departure Action Plan within current constraints. They are focused on spending unobligated HSIP money, as they are required based on FHWA regulations. He noted that a decision regarding holding a statewide call for projects, increasing regional Planning Targets, or another means will be announced. Andrew suggested reviewing projects from MPO TIP that were not able to receive funding and focusing on projects with FHWA Proven Safety Countermeasures.

- b. ITSMR: No Report.
- c. GTSC: No Report.
- d. Cornell Local Roads Program: David announced their Spring workshop series is coming out. They are also setting dates for additional ADA and Federal Local Aid workshops. <https://cals.cornell.edu/nysltap-local-roads/training-events/workshops>
- e. NHTSA: Francisco Gomez is taking over as the Program Manager for New York. Allison Beas has a new assignment in Connecticut. NHTSA is reviewing state 2022 plans. They are waiting to see what new NHTSA requirements come through their new bill.
- f. FHWA: No Report.
- g. NYSATSB: No report. Carrie Ward offered to attend meetings on behalf of NYSAMPO.

8. 2022 Meeting Schedule

The next meeting is on January 25, 2023. Meeting invites for this and remaining 2023 meetings will be sent out this week.

Action Items

- Please provide any changes to last month's meeting notes.
- Follow up with Alex if you have any presentation topics or requests for future meetings.
- Jay Lambrix requested Complete Streets Funding Bill information. Alex offered to share any new information, especially regarding the increased share available.