



NEW YORK STATE ASSOCIATION OF MPOs SAFETY WORKING GROUP

January 25, 2023

Webinar

1:30 PM – 2:30 PM

MEETING NOTES

Participating

- AGFTC – Jack Mance
- BMTS - Cyndi
- CDTC - Carrie Ward
- DCTC – Emily Dozier
- ECTC - Courtney Taylor
- GTC - Alex Kone
- GBNRTC - Hector Boggio
- HOCTC -Alexander Turner
- ITCTC - Jay Lambrix
- OCTC - Lauren Bennett
- SMTC - Michael Alexander
- UCTC – Brian Slack
- NYSDOT – Andrew Sattinger
- NYSDOT - Robert Zitowsky
- NYSDOT - Kelsey Pianka
- NYSDOH - Jennifer Hogan
- NYSDMV - Maureen Kozakiewicz
- FHWA - Teresa Haslauer
- GTSC – Jason Maher
- ITSMR - Renee Varone
- Cambridge Systematics – Cory Hopwood

1. Introductions & Updates

Alex Kone opened the meeting with introductions.

2. Meeting Notes

The January 4th, 2023 meeting notes were shared. SWG members can send changes over the next few weeks.

3. 2023-2024 Work Program

Alex shared the Goals and Tasks of the Work Program. The key tasks include Working Group Meetings, Safety Planning Coordination, Data Development and Education and Outreach Activities.

Working group meetings are being held monthly. There may be interest in hearing from practitioners outside of New York on topics such as equity. Joint webinars and trainings are also being held on topics like bike-ped safety.

Coordination around implementation of the SHSP, including the Vulnerable Road User Safety Assessment, has started. Additional efforts to share best practices, scopes, and resources on developing Regional Safety Plans are underway, as well as potential funding options for assistance through avenues such as SS4A. The plan includes tasks to continued training and sharing on CLEAR. Most federal rulemaking for this period is already available, but monitoring best practices for complying with this rulemaking is included in the Work Plan Coordination task.

The Data task includes support for CLEAR and supporting systems, agreements on MPO data use and dissemination, and supporting the TRCC in developing Traffic Safety Information Systems Strategic Plan.

The Education and Outreach task includes updates for the Safety Education Toolkit on the NYSAMPO website. The task also calls for promoting the Traffic Safety Statistical Repository and additional coordination around sharing educational information.

Cory Hopwood provided an update on the Work Plan schedule for review, draft and finalization via the Executive and Director committees. Emily asked if there are a few priority tasks item. Alex suggested a survey will follow to solicit top priorities for the Work Plan from the SWG.

4. Complete Streets Funding (S.3897/A.8936-A)

Alex summarized the Complete Streets Legislation and funding. Based on the new legislation, the Marchiselli contribution will increase from 75 percent to 87.5 percent of the local match, reducing the net local match from 5% to 2.5%.

5. CLEAR Safety App QA Process

Andrew Sattinger shared an update on CLEAR. He said another test environment should be available shortly. They are currently plugging in new roadway data and reference markers. Robert announced they are very open to feedback and would greatly appreciate it from members of the SWG. He mentioned they received feedback from Emily and Hector to this point, which will be addressed.

6. New Resources

Alex shared a new [link](#) from Carrie on data issues related to shared mobility and crash typing in crash data. Alex asked if electric scooters and electric bikes are coded in the crash report. NYS DOT shared that changes to crash report take a long time. Renee explained that AIS does not have the ability to collect either and that they fall into "other pedestrian" and "bike". This can be confusing for police officers.

Renee Varone noted that the TRCC will consider issues related to these codes and potential changes to the crash report, through the MMUCC and other guidance. It is up to the states to comply with MMUCC criteria, but there are no sanctions from the federal level if they do not. This is part of the reason it takes longer to get these crash report changes implemented. Alex sits on the TRCC as the NYSAMPO representative. Robin Long is the head of the TRCC and will be helping with redesign of the AIS. She may be able to help answer questions related to TRCC strategies and upcoming changes.

7. Partner Updates

- a. NYS DOT: Robert provided an update on the SHSP and the meetings starting for working groups on the emphasis areas. Emily asked about the progress of these meetings. Teresa mentioned a survey for meeting dates will be out soon for her group. Emily asked about the call for projects. Andrew mentioned that the VRU effort is leaning on projects already in the pipeline for efficiency. However, there is more money to program other types of projects through HSIP, but a final decision to announce has not been made. This must be obligated by October.
- b. ITSMR: Renee provided an update on the preliminary rollout of the 2022 data on the TSSR. It will be finalized in the summer. The 2023 data will begin to appear next month. The quarterly update on the ticket data is complete as well. Hilda Hardy is helping with transition managing the TSSR to a new staff member.
- c. GTSC: Maureen discussed a preliminary report on the pedestrians struck by SUVs. The draft report will be shared with the SWG and has already been shared with NHTSA. Additional datasets will be added to this.

The "Buckle Up" campaigns and motorcycle safety education efforts are kicking off, as well as law enforcement training and awareness. They have a PSA contest set up for their 15 colleges. The GHSA Meeting will be in August (12th-16th). They will be forgoing their Annual Fall Symposium. Their grant deadline is approaching as well (May 1st), which focuses on reaching out to VRUs and equitable engagement.

- d. Cornell Local Roads Program: The Legal Liability Training link was shared. The training focuses on liability related to safety plans beyond written notice.
https://cornell.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_50wSwAArSseSJ45MAhR63w
- e. NHTSA: No Report.
- f. FHWA: No Report.
- g. NYSATSB: Carrie Ward asked for an update on SS4A awards status. She also shared that a new website is being put together for NYSATSB. The Department of Health provided an update on an upcoming meeting on Injury Prevention. Carrie also asked about supposed increases in fatalities due to impaired driving. Renee shared there were increases in this area for 2020 and 2021. They are waiting on data on impairment for 2022.
- h. NYS DOH: Jennifer mentioned a track (Pedestrian, Bicyclist and Micro Mobility) has been developed for their upcoming Life Savers Conference and that they are looking for presentations/workshops. They are interested in anything related to older pedestrians in regards to micro mobility and ride sharing.

8. 2022 Meeting Schedule

The next meeting is on February 22, 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.
- Alex to share the pedestrian-SUV conflict report with the group provided by Maureen.
- A survey will follow to solicit top priorities for the Work Plan.