



NEW YORK STATE ASSOCIATION OF MPOs SAFETY WORKING GROUP

January 16, 2019

Teleconference

1:00 PM – 2:00 PM

MEETING NOTES

Participating

- AGFTC – Jack Mance
- BMTS – Cyndi Paddock
- CDTC – Sandy Misiewicz
- ECTC – Mike Perry
- GBNRTC – Hector Boggio
- GTC – Alex Kone
- NYMTC – Sherry Southe
- SMTC – Mike Alexander
- UCTC – David Staas
- WJCTC – Justin Wood
- NYSDOT – Geoffrey Wood
- NYSDOT – Robert Zitowsky
- NYSDMV – Chuck DeWeese
- NHTSA – Shannon Trice
- ITSMR – Renee Varone
- Planning4Places – Kathy Ember

1. Introductions

Sandy Misiewicz opened the meeting and participants introduced themselves.

2. Meeting Notes

The December 19, 2018 meeting notes were accepted with no changes.

3. Work Plan Discussion Items

a. 2018 Work Plan Assessment/2019 Update

Sandy Misiewicz reviewed the Draft Work Plan which is in progress. The goals remain the same as the previous year. We have the Local Road Safety Peer Exchange next steps to use as a guide for the Work Plan in addition (including next steps such as HSIP 101, countermeasures consistency across the state, updating guidebooks, etc.). We will use this as a roadmap in the coming year. In addition, we would like to promote the Bike PSAs. SWG will assist with the CLEAR application and how MPOs are tracking performance measures and crash data analysis. It would be helpful to have an updated survey (especially for new staff working on safety) to understand how safety planning is being done to show the range in safety planning to look at opportunities to collaborate. Please let us know if there are specific needs for training. One example will be working with NYSDOT on training on HSIP procedures. Hector Boggio noted it would be helpful to have training on the CLEAR project regarding safety manual procedures. Sandy Misiewicz will discuss this suggestion with NYSDOT.

Mike Alexander noted that the Work Plan addresses the issues that SMTC is looking into as they are kicking off a county wide safety plan focusing on HSIP and kicking off a LRTP and system performance is of interest. Sandy noted that a number of plans are underway including Chemung County, the plan for CDTC, and two PSAP corridor studies in Buffalo-Niagara Falls area and in the Town of Dewitt and those studies are potential future presentations for the Working Group. Kathy noted that the Work Plan internal deadline is January 30th. Sandy asked that any additional comments be received by January 25th on the Work Plan.

4. Local Road Safety Peer Exchange

a. Review of Draft NYSDOT County Fact Sheets

Robert Zitowsky noted that there are two documents in 8.5 x 11 and 11 x 17 formats. NYSDOT is interested in feedback and would like them finalized by end of month and they will ask for approval to publish on the NYSDOT external webpage. Sandy noted that Albany County is the prototype so if approved these Fact Sheets will be approved for each county. Robert: The purpose was to provide crash information to people who may not be using TSSR or ALIS.

Chuck DeWeese: GTSC had funded ITSMR to provide 30-40 page documents every year however, then we moved to a web based TSSR. My concern is that there is a lot of review time required for these Fact Sheets. Robert Zitowsky believes that the review time will be less as more of these sheets are created. Renee Varone noted that there is a concern about two sets of numbers out there for public dissemination and that there are some fields that ITSMR does not report on because of accuracy concerns. Geoff Wood: Any suggestions of how we can produce the document without those problems? Renee Varone asked about whether there is a concern about using the TSSR? Sandy Misiewicz said that from the peer exchange, local governments expressed concern about internet access (and bandwidth access) and using TSSR. The proposed factsheet incorporates some of location based ALIS data and where things are occurring. Sandy suggests that a small group discussion off-line to determine the best pieces of information to be used. DOT is also trying to promote the performance measures. Shannon Trice notes that the biggest complaints by law enforcement are that they are uneducated about ITSMR or TSSR is too difficult to use. We want them to use the data (either get information to them or training on the data). Renee Varone: We need to get more information out on the TSSR in some fashion. Chuck DeWeese suggests a conversation between NYSDOT, ITSMR, and GTSC to work out these issues. Sandy Misiewicz will follow-up and is also happy to participate. Hector Boggio mentioned that he was disappointed when the county reports were not available on TSSR. Renee Varone suggested if it was organized like the County data packet layer it might be helpful going forward.

5. Safety Performance Measures Discussion

Sandy Misiewicz is still looking for feedback on your approach to safety performance measures. If you would like to send your approach, please let us know by end of next week that would be great. We will pick up this topic in February.

6. Partner Updates

- a. NYSDOT: No additional report.
- b. ITSMR: Renee Varone mentioned that there are new county reports – county speed-related summary, county young driver summary, county older driver summary that was added on December 4th available on TSSR.
- c. GTSC: Chuck DeWeese: The recreational marijuana bill came out yesterday and reviewing the legislation – we will come up with ways for education moving forward.
- d. Cornell Local Roads Program: No report.
- e. NHTSA: No report.
- f. FHWA: No report.
- g. NYSATSB: Sandy Misiewicz noted that NYSATSB will be meeting in February in Albany.

7. Training

Sandy noted that Andrew Sattinger is doing an ALIS training on January 22nd on Wolf Road in Albany, please contact him if you are interested in that training.

8. 2019 Meeting Schedule

The Safety Working Group will keep the existing meeting schedule and discuss the proposed dates to verify they work throughout the calendar year to avoid any potential conflicts. The format of the conference is still being determined, we will share information about the conference as information becomes available.

9. Other Topics

Mike Perry asked if there are other trainings that Andrew Sattinger will doing on ALIS training? Sandy Misiewicz noted that if you have a need for additional trainings, please reach out to Andrew.

Action Items

The following items were noted for follow-up, please respond by January 25th:

- Please review the revised draft NYS DOT Fact Sheets and let Robert Zitowsky know of any comments.
- Please provide suggestions to Sandy, Alex and/or Kathy for work plan tasks for the 2019 Work Plan.
- Please also send an email to Sandy, Alex and/or Kathy on how your MPO is tracking safety performance measures and any relevant details on how you are going about the process.