

NYSAMPO SAFETY WORKING GROUP
JANUARY 26, 2012
MINUTES

Participating:

A/GFTC - Kate Mance

BMTS - Cyndi Paddick

CDTC - Sandy Misiewicz, Jason Purvis

ECTC - Mike Perry

GBNRTC - Hector Boggio

HOCTS - Matt VanSlyke

PDCTC - Emily Dozier

SMTC - Mike Alexander

NYSDOT - Jackie Berlant; Marty Neveu

GTSC - Chuck DeWeese

- Meeting notes Dec 22, 2011

No changes

- SWG Goal Areas

- MPO Safety Planning Peer Exchange

Misiewicz: [see PowerPoint slides that were emailed] Two initiatives are in process. Results can be reported on in future meetings.

Linkage Program project in the Hamlet of Guilderland: Hamlet is not incorporated but looks like a village. The high school contributes to younger drivers and speed. Consensus from workshops is that speeding is endemic; supported by crash rate and pattern. Guilderland has Town police force to facilitate enforcement. Town felt 30 mph speed limit consistent with village setting is appropriate. NYSDOT wanted Town Speed Management Plan before reducing speed limit to 35mph on interim basis. This will be a one-year program with measure of effectiveness in July 2012.

Purvis: Capital Coexist provides local bike safety/education. Identified need for law enforcement training in bicycle and pedestrian issues. CDTC is sponsoring a consultant and is in the middle of continuum of 5 steps leading to in-person training in May. Training is only for uniformed officers to increase effectiveness. Program has received positive feedback so far.

As a first step, each Police Dept and TSB was asked to identify who would be interested and available to participate.

- Data/HSIP

NHTSA Traffic Records Assessment.

Misiewicz: Done for each state every 5 years (records on crashes, citations, drivers, vehicles, roadways). In 2007 MPOs participated in a formal session that included local governments. For 2012, NHTSA sent advance questionnaire; Sandy completed from CDTC perspective. Sandy asks for other participants, Feb 14, 1 hour session. The assessment interview covers the user view of ALIS, the highway data inventory and other traffic records databases. VanSlyke indicated interest. Misiewicz will follow up.

Crash Data podcasts.

Misiewicz: Barb Mullin (NYSDOT) and Mark Spawn (NYS Association of Chiefs of Police) have collaborated on development of the podcast program based on the Crash data quality video from MORPC in Ohio. Eleven podcasts have been completed and should be available in a couple of weeks on the Chiefs of Police website (www.nychiefs.org). Podcasts are targeted toward enforcement; step through various issues related to quality of crash reports and the like. We can assist in communicating availability.

Traffic Records Coordinating Council (TRCC):

Misiewicz: Met this morning to review status of traffic records data projects [NHTSA \$408 funded]. Highlights:

ALIS scalability project continues; NYSDOT has purchased hardware and software licenses; running internally; beta-test in May. Location coding improvements are expected by end of year. SIMS RIS integration: NYSDOT concluded more useful to integrate RIS into ALIS because it has off-system roadways, which SIMS does not. This would be a first step to allowing NYSDOT to analyze off-system locations in future.

Integration of Accident Information System [DMV]: Develop scope of work for creating single system, needs funding

TraCS - nearly all enforcement agencies participate; NYPD interested in e-ticketing [pilot Staten Island this spring], which may lead to e-crash reports. Would allow for more timely crash data for NYMTC. Paper reports for non-reportable: number is down because TraCS is being used. TRCC is updating Statewide Strategic Plan for data records improvement.

- Human Behaviors Subcommittee

Complete Streets Fact Sheet

Gayle: some comments have been received. Fact Sheet has been sent to MPO Directors and Working Group Chairs and members. On hold, waiting for NYSDOT guidance on complying with the law to make sure it conforms. Law goes into effect Feb 15.

NYSATSB Update

VanSlyke: Reminder that they need a volunteer to chair their Engineering Committee. Matt would like to provide some names. Next Meeting Feb 2.

- NYSAMPO website

Gayle: RSG would like to update the Working Group part of the NYSAMPO website. A template was developed by Misiewicz, O'Neill, and Purvis, chairs of three of the groups. Comments from chairs indicate it is satisfactory. Will need content for SWG page: links and other resources. Send to Misiewicz, cc Gayle.

- Training & Meetings

Misiewicz: reviewed 2012 meeting schedule. Would like a couple of in-person meetings. Keep telecon monthly meetings. In-person sometime after April 20 Working Group Strategic Planning session. Feedback to Sandy

Gayle: Working Group strategic planning session to focus on role of WGs in NYSAMPO.

Gayle: 2012 AMPO meeting will be held in Saratoga Springs in September. Session ideas to Chris O'Neill; individual presentations submit to AMPO prior to March 2.

Cornell LRP: Highway Supt School in June

- Other UPdates
 - GTSC - DeWeese - items previously covered
 - NYSDOT - Berlant - items previously covered
 - NYSP - no report; Daily willing to present any specifics requested by SWG

Next meeting:

Thursday, February 23, 1:30 PM