

NYSAMPO SAFETY WORKING GROUP

Thursday, May 24, 2012 – 1:30 PM

MINUTES

Participating:

- CDTC - Sandy Misiewicz [chair]
- ECTC - Jay Schissell
- ECTC - Mike Perry
- GTC - Robert Torzynski
- PDCTC - Emily Dozier
- SMTC - Mike Alexander
- NYSDOT - Todd Worchester
- NYSDOT - Rob Limoges
- RSG - Richard Amore

☒ Meeting notes 04/26/2012

- Accepted as written.
- No further comments.

☒ SWG Work Plan Updates

a.) 2012-2013 SWG Work Plan Survey Results (Misiewicz)

- **Survey Debrief and Volunteers to Work on Action Items** – Survey had 6 MPO responses, DOT, and GTSC, and resulted in a compiled new action plan/work plan for the coming year. The plan developed five broad categories. Data access and analysis is the most important thing SWG needs to address. The plan developed future agenda and five key broad categories. SWG has a consensus on work plan and survey. Sandy emailed last week and assigned some of the task to members of the SWG. The tasks are spread out amongst SWG members. Two task we need volunteers are: 1.) Go-to-person for NHTSA and GTSC website and keeping group informed of what's happening of statewide issues (grant deadlines). – BOB TORZYNSKI will lead. 2.) Need a person to assist in tracking state/federal legislation regarding safety. – RSG assigned this task (Steven Gayle). Finally, it has been agreed that monthly calls for SWG are preferred.
- **Director's Meeting Update on Strategic Planning for Working Groups (Misiewicz)** – Follow-up from strategic planning session- directors decided to form only one new working group, on Freight. – Modeling workgroup would help in collecting data and modeling for Freight working group. No other significant changes that would impact SWG. Working group chairs have quarterly meetings between other working groups. AMPO conference will have one session on the working groups and one session on the NYSAMPO.

b.) Data Access and Analysis

- **Traffic Records Coordinating Council Update (Misiewicz)** – strategic plan for traffic records for NYS – using 408 money in NYS to enhance traffic records system. Projects suggested for funding 1.) Coding of non-reportable property damage crash reports – continually adding crash data from ALIS. 2.) TRACs system - additional funding to help support local law enforcement agencies for training, updating software, etc. 3.) ALIS scalability and upgrade project – upgrading hard/software, hiring new analyst. 4.) Ongoing study being led between DMV, NYSDOT, Governor’s Task Force – DMV crash database with SIMs – Merging to one database- integrating data from two systems into one system. 5.) NYPD electronic crash and ticketing system – Not using TRACs, using different software for electronic crash reporting – pilot of ticket data in Staten Island this spring, and roll out by end of year. 6.) A project, linking SIMs with REESE. It is an ALIS/SIMs data project – the accuracy of the reference marker system has been compromised and need to do error check of reference markers in SIMs.
- **ALIS Training (Misiewicz/Limoges)** – moving forward, key milestones to build NYSDOT database, Location Editing/data entry by end of calendar year. Potential training in the Fall 2012.
- **Safety Data Warehouse project (Limoges)** – working with GTSC in developing a plan for integrating DMV, Tracs, NYSDOT data – assemble together for a SPR funded project to deliver 1.) A strategic vision for NYS on converging the three systems, common data repository, into one system to improve better accuracy and access. 2.) Develop a RFI to vendors to find best practices of how other states integrate crash data and then develop a concept of operations. How would it function in NYSDOT? 3.) Develop a business case for the actual project. Funding is secure and almost ready to start work.
- (Misiewicz) NYSDOT - Issuing a RFP for traffic volume data and crash locations on local system – looking for input from the regions/MPOs on RFP.
- (Misiewicz) RSG is still putting together the material for data analysis. Sandy to ask status of this RSG effort from Steve Gayle.

c.) Partnerships and Outreach

- NYSATSB Update Van (Misiewicz) – meeting in May – did a presentation on the Podcast project – healthy discussion on using podcasts for training law enforcement officers/agencies.
- GTSC Update – (Deweese not present) - No update
- NYSDOT Update (Limoges) – No further updates.
- NYSP Update (Daily) – No update

d.) Education and Training

- Debrief on Bicycle/Pedestrian Law Enforcement Training (Misiewicz)

- Peer Exchange training – In-person law enforcement officer training session took place April 30th/May 1st in Albany.
- Training and Conference Opportunities:
 - Designing Pedestrian Safe Streets – July 10-11 & July 12-13 @ NYMTC
 - NYS Highway Safety Conference – October 14-17, 2012 @ Lake Placid, NY
 - 2012 SWG Roundtable – Interest in SWG – possibly conduct the roundtable during the NYS highway safety conference. Need to gauge SWG interests and level of commitment by July 2012.
 - 2012 AMPO Annual Conference – September 11-14, 2012 @ Saratoga Springs. RSG – complete streets fact sheet to get printed for AMPO conference. RSG needs to put that back in front of the MPO directors to get approval. RSG (Amore) can have professional printers print in Burlington if approved (or desired) by MPO directors.

e.) Federal/State/Local Legislation Watch (Misiewicz)

- No Update.

f.) Safety Assessments (Misiewicz/Dozier)

- Identify top locations for crash locations/volumes – hoping to examine one location/intersection and looking to finalize contract with consultant and get started this summer.
- NYMTC - is developing an extensive safety exercise in next LRTP. NYMTC have developed an outline for the LRTP chapter on Safety. SWG could have NYMTC discuss their approach and methodology to SWG. It could be a potential model or resources for other MPOs in NYS.

☒ **Next SWG teleconference: Thursday, June 28, 2012 at 1:30 PM**