

NEW YORK STATE ASSOCIATION OF MPOs

SAFETY WORKING GROUP DECEMBER 20, 2012

MEETING NOTES

☒ Participating

- A/GFTC – Kate Mance
- CDTC – Sandy Misiewicz
- ECTC – Jay Schissell, Mike Perry
- GBNRTC – Hector Boggio
- GTC – Bob Torzynski
- HOCTS – Matt VanSlyke
- PDCTC – Emily Dozier
- SMTC – Mike Alexander
- NYSDOT – Jackie Berlant
- GTSC – Chuck DeWeese

☒ Meeting notes, Nov 15, 2012 – accepted with no comments

☒ Work Plan updates

- Data Access and Analysis
 - HSIP solicitation
 - Misiewicz: Statewide solicitation for FY 2013 occurred, received about 30 applications. Asked for any feedback on solicitation process.
 - CDTC members expressed concern about short timeframe, will be interested for FY 2014 solicitation.
 - Dozier: PDCTC Technical Committee reviewed, but even for March deadline crash data and b/c analysis would be a challenge for locals except for County. Region 8 could not commit to providing any assistance.
 - Boggio: GBNRTC – projects already programmed, no time for new projects. Had to certify projects as eligible for HSIP; this is an involved process.
 - There was interest whether submitted projects were already in the pipeline, seeking additional funds.
 - Inquiry about who could provide assistance for next round of applications. CDTC plans to, local consultant retainers.
- Education and Training
 - Integrating Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety into the HSIP – VDOT case study
 - Torzynski reviewed the material that had been distributed with the agenda. Unique that VDOT has a 10% set aside of HSIP for bicycle and pedestrian projects. Look at RSAs differently, not as multidisciplinary.
 - Misiewicz: Interested in the use of HSIP for doing RSA. Massachusetts does this as well.
 - ACTION ITEM:** Misiewicz and Torzynski will collaborate on more case studies to show NYSDOT on this approach. Follow up on next call.
 - Dozier: Clarify. Do they require RSAs for HSIP projects to be considered?
 - Torzynski: Seems to be RSA or an engineering study.

- HSM Lite training debrief
Misiewicz attended training in Newburgh. How to best utilize the tools of the full HSM. SWG agenda includes links to resources. FHWA developed easy to use spreadsheets for network screening and system performance to reduce crashes, in lieu of not having crash rates for local system. More educational materials on HSM website.
May add this information into Network Screening document.
Boggio also attended, in Auburn. Found useful the emphasis on importance of Crash Reduction Factors.
- Partnerships and Outreach
 - NYSATSB
Misiewicz: Do we want to continue supporting NYSATSB?
VanSlyke: There is benefit, and not a large commitment of time or resources.
Torzynski: Supports; keep communication open, awareness of issues.
Schisell: supports
Dozier: Are the meetings primarily reports from their districts, or do they do anything as an Association that we can support?
VanSlyke: Primarily internal reports group; trying to bring in outside speakers to add interest.
Misiewicz: provides an avenue for these people to learn about MPOs. Have sub-groups with some task oriented work.
VanSlyke: Would it be more relevant if he reported on NYSATSB in more detail?
Misiewicz: report on innovative and interesting programs. Look for partnership opportunities.
Conclusion: NYSAMPO will remain a member of NYSATSB.
 - GTSC
DeWeese – Fatality rates are trending upward. Annual report in next week or two.
 - NYSDOT – no report
 - NYSP – forwarded TraCS reporting
- ☒ Other topics/next meeting
 - Misiewicz reached out to David Orr at Cornell Local Roads Program to participate in SWG.
Helpful to have local practitioner point of view; useful for Fact Sheet on Statewide Safety Plans.
 - Finalizing document being prepared from regional FHWA Safety Peer Exchange. Will be shared.
 - Working with Andrew Sattinger on ALIS improvements; testing new software.
 - Steer It! Clear It! flyer for traffic incident management. NYSDOT wants help distributing this.

Possible in-person meeting in first half of 2013; Limoges may have input to content.

Next conference call: Jan 24, 2013, 1:30 PM