

Alachua TIM Team Meeting
Wednesday, December 8, 2010

Meeting Minutes

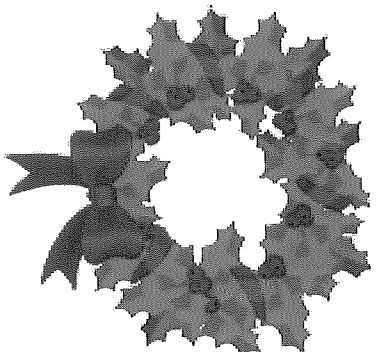
For the list of attendees, please see the attached sign in sheet.

- Donna Danson opened the meeting by welcoming everyone and asking everyone to introduce themselves.
- Donna asked Phil Mann, City of Gainesville Traffic, to talk about the new TMC and Public Works Building. The building is rated for a Category 5 Hurricane. The TMC was funded through a partnership between the City of Gainesville, the University of Florida, Alachua County and the FDOT. The TMC portion of the building cost \$1.5 Million to build, which includes everything in the TMC and the emergency generator. The video wall is comprised of eighteen 46" Computer monitors with built-in computers. There is a raised floor under the TMC and the back room for ease of moving, rewiring and/or adding consoles within the TMC.
- Donna then stated the purpose of the meeting, which is to come together as a group to enhance communications and discuss our successes and areas of improvement for Traffic Incident Management.
- Donna introduced Paul Clark, Statewide TIM Program Manager, and asked him if he wanted to say anything to the Team. Paul stated that he has visited many of the TIM Teams around the state and that he feels that this is one of the most cohesive teams and he is glad that he could attend and learn from the group. Paul also stated that during the FHWA TIM Training in Orlando a few months ago, that it was recognized that the State needed to update the Spill Mitigation Policy.
- Donna stated that she had not received any corrections for the last set of Meeting Minutes, so as of now they are approved.
- Laurie Windham provided updates for Construction Projects in the area.
 - Main Street Project – This Saturday, the contractor is scheduled to pave the current section and then continue moving north. The project is scheduled to end in late April or early May.
 - SR 26 overpass over US 301 is scheduled for completion early next year, but the bridge will open on the 17th with a small ribbon cutting ceremony.
 - SR 120 Resurfacing Project is almost complete with some striping remaining.
 - Archer Road Project – Contractor is closing and reconfiguring the medians. They will be closing the NB ramp off of I-75 to Archer Road and closures are currently only approved for nighttime, but the contractor is looking to have a full closure for approximately 48 hours.
- Ed Ward stated that it has been fairly quiet with the EOC.
 - The Statewide Regional Evacuation study has been completed for this area and there are only a few areas remaining to be completed.

- There is an increased fire hazard in the area due to the drought and cold weather.
 - The Florida Emergency Preparedness Association Annual Meeting will be held at the Hilton at Walt Disney World from January 24-28, 2011. Go to www.fepa.org for more information.
 - Dave Donnelly, Alachua County EOC, discussed the status of the Countywide Evacuation Plan.
 - Dave asked if smoke/fog signs were readily available should any wildfires cause closures of the roads. Ed stated that the FDOT Maintenance yards had a supply of the signs and that should any more be needed, that they could get them from the sign shop in Lake City.
 - Alan Martin, FDOT Maintenance, asked if there could be communications from FHP to FDOT Maintenance to remove the smoke/fog signs to remove the signs. FHP calls FDOT to put out the signs, but then don't call for removal and the signs often sit there for a week or more when not needed. Pete stated that if the request for the sign is posted on the FHP CAD system, that the TMC Operator can create an event and then can have a daily reminder to call to see if they are still needed. Pete and Donna to speak with TMC staff.
- Chris Dolan was not at the meeting, so Phil Mann provided the City of Gainesville update.
 - The Gainesville TMC was not notified of the fatality and subsequent shut down of I-75. Phil was notified by a consultant stuck in traffic. If the TMC is notified then they can assist with changing signal plans on available corridors and using the CCTVs to identify congestion points.
 - Captain Fincher, FHP, suggested that something be scheduled for the various agencies to meet at the TMC to exchange information and to have the other agencies see what resources the TMC can provide.
 - Phil will provide the Team with a contact sheet with TMC hours and contact names and phone numbers.
- Pete Vega provided an update of FDOT District 2 ITS and 511.
 - The Jacksonville TMC uses the 511 feedback system as a tool to monitor traffic on I-75. Motorists use this part of the system to provide information and report accidents and debris. If anyone on the team wants to receive this information, provide Donna with your contact information and the TMC will forward the information for the I-75 corridor.
 - University Towing is under contract for the I-75 area to verify accidents and provide information to the TMC.
 - The TMC has a "traffic plane" under contract, which can be sent to the Gainesville area to provide information and photos of the accident area.
 - The TMC is now using Inrix data to track traffic conditions on I-75 in the Gainesville area. The Inrix data is generated through GPS information from commercial vehicles.
 - Central Office is looking at possibly funding some projects on I-75 in the area between the Rest Area and SR 222.
 - Transpo is next week, for more information go to itsflorida.org
- Donna asked everyone to look at the list of accidents to see if there was a need to discuss any of the accidents.
 - It was noted that the fatality on November 30, 2010 at MM 397 on I-75, stated that a semi was involved, when the actual vehicle was a ¾ ton Dodge pickup.

- All of the accidents with closures over 90 minutes appear to be due to fatalities, so there wasn't much that could have been done to decrease the closure times.
- Donna gave the general announcements:
 - Donna had copies of the FHWA Field Operations Guide, a handbook for first responders originally intended for Road Rangers, which provides a lot of good information and reminders for responders. Anyone wanting a copy should speak with Donna.
 - The enhanced FHP enforcement for the Thanksgiving Holiday weekend resulted in 36% fewer fatalities this year as compared to last year. Statewide there were 12,770 citations given over the weekend.
- Donna stated that if no one had anything else, that we would begin the RISC Debriefing Meeting.

Meeting Adjourned



**ALACHUA
TRAFFIC INCIDENT MANAGEMENT TEAM
AGENDA**

December 8, 2010

WELCOME

Phil Mann

PURPOSE

Donna Danson

INTRODUCTION/GREETINGS

Team Members

MINUTES –OCTOBER 2010- APPROVAL

Team Members

CONSTRUCTION PROJECT UPDATE

Gina Buscher
Laurie Windham

EOC UPDATE

Ed Ward

CITY OF GAINESVILLE TMC

Chris Dolan

ITS/511 UPDATE

Peter Vega

INCIDENT DEBRIEF - (Ed Ward's List attached)

Bruce Strickland/
Team Members

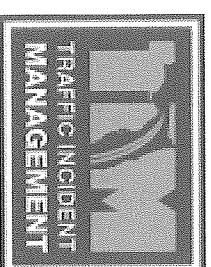
ANNOUNCEMENTS

**FHP HOLIDAY WEEKEND ENFORCEMENT
NEXT ALACHUA TIM MEETING: FEBRUARY 9, 2011**

CITY OF GAINESVILLE TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT CENTER TOUR

MEETING ADJOURNED

HAPPY HOLIDAYS



MISSION: The Florida Department of Transportation District Two's Traffic Incident Management Teams through partnering efforts strive to continuously reduce incident scene clearance times to deter congestion and improve safety. The Teams' objective is to exceed the Open Roads Policy thus ensuring mobility, economic prosperity, and quality of life.

VISION: Through cooperation, communication and training the Teams intend to reduce incident scene clearance times by 10% Each year through 2015.

DATE	UNIT	INCIDENT	LOCATION
10/15/2010	FHP	ACCIDENT	S.R. 49/U.S. 129 S.B. S OF BELL IN GILCHRIST CO. SINGLE VEHICLE CRASH. DRIVER CROSSED CENTER LANE, RAN OFF THE ROAD, OVERTURNED
10/16/2010	GAINESVILLE	ACCIDENT	WILLISTON RD, EAST OF I-75. DRIVER FAILED TO MAKE THE TURN INTO A MOTEL, STRUCK A TREE & CAUGHT ON FIRE.
10/18/2010	FHP	ACCIDENT	I-75 S.B. @ MM 390.5 VAN PULLING A TRAVEL TRAILER BEGAN TO SWAY. BOTH VEHICLES OVERTURNED BLOCKING ALL S.B. LANES
10/18/2010	GAINESVILLE	ACCIDENT	S.R. 26 W.B. @ N.W. 98TH ST. G'VILLE. W.B. LANES CLOSED DUE TO A CRASH BETWEEN A CAR & A MOTORCYCLE.
10/20/2010	FHP	ACCIDENT	C.R. 241 @ S.W. 30TH AVE. G'VILLE. MOTORCYCLIST HIT A DEER.
10/22/2010	FHP	ACCIDENT	S.R. 24 NEAR WALDO ROAD IN G'VILLE. DRIVER STRUCK A STOPPED SCHOOL BUS.
10/22/2010	FHP	ACCIDENT	S.R. 247 @ C.R. 242 IN COLUMBIA CO. DRIVER STRUCK A STOPPED SCHOOL BUS.
10/27/2010	FHP	ACCIDENT	U.S. 90 E OF HOME DEPOT AVE. LAKE CITY. E.B. MOTORCYCLIST LOST CONTROL & CRASHED IN THE PINEY WOODS MOTEL PARKING LOT.
10/29/2010	FHP	ACCIDENT	U.S. 301 N.B. @ EDWARDS RD. STARKE. SHERIFF'S DEPUTY ESCORTING UF FOOTBALL TEAM STRUCK A STOPPED VEHICLE IN THE TURN LANE.
11/3/2010	FHP	ACCIDENT	N.E. 30TH ST @ S.R. 47 GILCHRIST CO. DRIVER ON 30TH ST. RAN INTO THE REAR OF A SCHOOL BUS AT STOP SIGN AT S.R. 47.
11/8/2010	FHP	ACCIDENT	OLD U.S. 1 N.B. N OF OLD DIXIE HWY. DRIVER OF A JEEP RAN INTO THE REAR OF A CAR STOPPED AT THE RED LIGHT.
11/9/2010	GAINESVILLE	ACCIDENT	WALDO ROAD JUST SOUTH OF UNIV. AVE. DRIVER OF A MINI VAN CHANGED LANES & STRUCK THE FRONT OF DOT TRUCK 31070.
11/10/2010	GAINESVILLE	FIRE	I-75 S.B. BETWEEN WILLISTON RD & THE REST AREA. OUTSIDE LANE IS CLOSED DUE TO HEAVY SMOKE CAUSED BY BRUSH FIRES
11/14/2010	FHP	ACCIDENT	U.S. 19 S.B. 11 MI N OF INGLIS. SINGLE VEHICLE CRASH. DRIVER RAN OFF OF ROAD, OVERCORRECTED & CRASHED.
11/15/2010	GAINESVILLE	ACCIDENT	I-75 N.B. @ MM 374 THE INSIDE & OUTSIDE LANES ARE CLOSED DUE TO AN INITIAL CRASH & A SECONDARY CRASH.
11/18/2010	FHP	ACCIDENT	U.S. 90 @ N.E. MONTROSE AVE. COLUMBIA CO. DRIVER ON MONTROSE AVE PULLED OUT ONTO U.S. 90 IN FRONT OF ANOTHER VEHICLE.
11/20/2010	FHP	ACCIDENT	U.S. 301 1 MI N OF C.R. 1474. N.B. DRIVER CROSSED THE MEDIAN & STRUCK AN ALACHUA CO. DEPUTY'S VEHICLE.
11/24/2010	FHP	ACCIDENT	I-75 N.B. @ MM 421. DRIVER OF A PICK UP RAN INTO A SEMI TRUCK, THEN RAN OFF OF ROAD THRU FENCE & CRASHED IN A PASTURE.
11/24/2010	FHP	ACCIDENT	S.R. 121 2 MI N OF LAKE BUTLER. DRIVER TURNED LEFT IN FRONT OF ANOTHER VEHICLE.
11/27/2010	FHP	ACCIDENT	U.S. 19 @ S.R. 121 LEVY CO. DRIVER ON S.R. 121 TURNED LEFT ONTO U.S. 19 IN FRONT OF A MOTORCYCLE.
11/30/2010	GAINESVILLE	ACCIDENT	I-75 S.B. @ MM 397. ALL S.B. LANES ARE BLOCKED DUE TO A CRASH WITH A CONVERTIBLE CAR TRAPPED UNDER A SEMI TRUCK.
12/2/2010	FHP	ACCIDENT	S.R. 26 @ S.E. 70TH AVE. GILCHRIST CO. DRIVER ON 70TH AVE ATTEMPTING TO CROSS S.R. 26 PULLED INTO THE PATH OF ANOTHER VEHICLE
12/6/2010	FHP	ACCIDENT	S.R. 349 @ C.R. 351. DRIVER RAN INTO THE REAR OF A SEMI TRUCK STOPPED AT FLAGGING OPERATION IN CONSTRUCTION ZONE.
12/6/2010	GAINESVILLE	ACCIDENT	I-75 S.B. @ MM 440, SUWANNEE CO. INSIDE S.B. LANE IS CLOSED DUE TO A CRASH WITH 2 SEMI TRUCKS OVERTURNED
12/6/2010	GAINESVILLE	ACCIDENT	C.R. 235 @ S.R. 18 BRADFORD CO. LOG TRUCK OVERTURNED ON 235 BLOCKING ALL LANES. TRAFFIC DETOURED TO S.R. 18.

ALACHUA TRAFFIC INCIDENT MANAGEMENT TEAM MEETING

December 8, 2010

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