# Alachua Bradford TIM Team Meeting Wednesday, February 10, 2021 Meeting Minutes

The list of attendees, agenda, and meeting handouts are attached to these meeting minutes.

#### \*For the health and safety of everyone, this meeting was held virtually to adhere to COVID-19 safety guidelines.

#### Introductions and TIM Updates

- Dee Dee Crews opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.
- Dee Dee stated the purpose of this meeting is to improve Communications, Coordination, Cooperation and Collaboration between all TIM agency partners, as well as to improve safety and congestion on the highways.
- The December Alachua/Bradford TIM Team meeting minutes were sent to the Team previously, and receiving no comments, they stand as approved.

#### **Emergency Operations Update by Dee Dee Crews**

• As announced during the previous Alachua/Bradford TIM meeting, Ed Ward will be retiring. Dee Dee spoke to Carrie Stanbridge and she relayed that there are no updates at this time.

#### ITS/511/RTMC Update by Craig Carnes and Jason Evans

- The contractor for the Truck Parking Availability System (TPAS) project is on hold due to the original contractor going out of business and defaulting on the contract. The surety company that bonded the contract is trying to find a new contractor to take over the project. This project consists of installing in ground sensors in all the truck parking areas where the semi-trucks park to detect the presence of a vehicle within those truck parking spaces. This provides messaging to the signs in advance to let people know how many spots are available in the rest areas. This should help avoid motorists parking along the ramps and on the side of the road causing potential safety issues.
- The FL 511 IVR (phone option) is still active at this time but is still scheduled to sunset by the end of March. Jason encouraged the Team to download the app or use the website.
- A Generator project was just completed in District 2 at all Master Hubs. The Master Hubs (which control the main systems throughout the interstates) all have generator backups now. This will keep the main statewide network up and running in the event of any future storms.

#### **Incident Debrief**

• Dee Dee went over a few of the incidents on the short list and encouraged the Team to talk about them. The Team had no comments regarding any of the incidents.

#### Performance Measures by Jason Evans

• Jason provided the Team with a Performance Measures presentation.

#### Road Ranger Update (Road Ranger Assists) by Dee Dee Crews

- Road Ranger Assists for Alachua County:
  - In the month of December there were 523 events. 510 of those events were assisted by Road Rangers. This includes disabled vehicles, abandoned vehicles, crashes, debris on the roadside, weather events, vehicle fires, MOT, etc.
  - In the month of January there were 553 events. 533 of those events were assisted by Road Rangers. This includes disabled vehicles, abandoned vehicles, crashes, debris on the roadside, weather events, vehicle fires, MOT, etc.
  - Numbers were pulled for the year 2020 for all 18 counties in District 2 and there were 42,796 events. Road Rangers responded to 40,394 of those events. 29,000 of those were disabled vehicles and 5,400 were crashes. This shows what an asset the Road Rangers are to the community and the large amount of people they help each year.
- Road Rangers are available from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., 7 days a week.
- There are now 2 Road Ranger routes on I-75 available 24/7. The overnight routes will be from 7pm to 7am and will cover I-75 from CR 234 to SR 47, and on I-75 from SR 47 to SR 143.
- The First Coast Road Rangers vehicles are "Going Green" and are being converted to run on propane. 58% of their fleet vehicles have already been converted and there is work being done to get the vehicles in Gainesville converted as well.

#### **Open Forum**

 Bart Knowles with the University of Florida Police Department wanted to make the Team aware of the recent traffic homicides that have occurred. They were worked by the Gainesville Police Department, but there has been a lot of pressure from the families and the University, and those are often connected to Tallahassee regarding these fatalities. The University of Florida Police Department is working closely with the City of Gainesville or through them in FDOT to look at traffic calming measures. Dee Dee noted she spoke with the PIO office and was told of the pedestrian safety improvements going on along University Ave. as well as a lot of innovative things the Safety Office and Traffic Operations office is working on.

#### Announcements

- The next Alachua/Bradford TIM Team meeting will be held on April 14, 2021. FDOT will be awaiting guidelines from the Governor to decide whether to have this meeting in person, or virtually. This information will be provided in the meeting reminders.
- If anyone needs anything or has any questions, please contact Dee Dee Crews at <u>DeeDee.Crews@dot.state.fl.us</u> or (904) 903-2009.

#### **Meeting Adjourned**



## **Alachua-Bradford** Traffic Incident Management Team February 10th, 2021 10AM to 12PM

Link to Meeting: https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/500779213

### **WELCOME**

INTRODUCTIONS	Team Members
PURPOSE OF MEETING	Dee Dee Crews
MINUTES –DECEMBER 2020 APPROVAL	Team Members
EMERGENCY OPERATIONS UPDATES	TBD
ITS/511/RTMC UPDATE	Craig Carnes/ Jason Evans
INCIDENT DEBRIEF – (RTMC List attached)	Team Members
PERFORMANCE MEASURES/ INCIDENT REVIEW	Jason Evans
ROAD RANGER UPDATE (RR Assists)	Dee Dee Crews
OPEN FORUM	Team Members

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next Meeting is April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021

#### **MEETING ADJOURNED**

- **MISSION:** The Florida Department of Transportation District 2 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.

	TRAFFIC INCIDENT MAN	AGEMENT LIST (DEC	EMBER 8, 2020 T	D FEBRUARY 2, 2021). THIS LIST INCLUDES EVENTS FROM THE REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION MANAGEME	NT CENTER AS WELL AS SUNG	UIDE.
Unit	Incident	Road Number	Time of Day	Description	Duration of Incident:	Deaths

Date	Unit	Incident	Road Number	Time of Day	Description	Duration of Incident:	Deaths	90 Minute Goal Met?
12/08/20	TMC	ACCIDENT	I-75	12:51:00 PM	I-75 SB AT MM 386, 3 VEHICLE CRASH WITH A FUEL SPILL, SB LANES TEMPORARILY BLOCKED	2.25 HRS	0	N
01/10/21	TMC	POLICE ACTIVITY	SR-121	03:10:00 PM	SR-121 AT SANTA FE RIVER BRIDGE, ALL NB AND SB LANES BLOCKED FOR AN INVESTIGATION	3.0 HRS	0	N
12/21/20	TMC	ACCIDENT	SR-16	06:29:00 AM	SR-16 AT CR-229A, 2 VEHICLE CRASH WITH INJURIES, ALL EB AND WB LANES BLOCKED	2.25 HRS	0	N
12/22/20	TMC	ACCIDENT	SR-24	04:57:00 PM	SR-24 EAST OF SW 122ND ST, 3 VEHICLE CRASH WITH INJURIES, ALL EB AND WB LANES BLOCKED	4.5 HRS	0	N
12/13/20	TMC	ACCIDENT	SR-26	03:06:00 AM	SR-26 AT NE 119TH TERRACE, SINGLE VEHICLE CRASH VERSUS POWER POLE, ALL EB AND WB LANES BLOCKED	4.25 HRS	0	N
01/19/21	TMC	ACCIDENT	SR-26	05:24:00 PM	SR-26 AT NW 170TH ST, VEHICLE VERSUS MOTORCYCLE, ALL WB LANES BLOCKED	2.75 HRS	1	N
12/12/20	TMC	ACCIDENT	US-301	03:08:00 PM	US-301 AT NW 271ST WAY, VEHICLE VERSUS 2 PEDESTRIANS, ALL NB LANES BLOCKED	4.75 HRS	2	N

Alachua/Bradford TIM Team Meeting 2/10/21 List of Attendees: Adam Doyle Bart Knowles Chris Gilbert Craig Carnes Dee Dee Crews Derrick Odom Jason Evans Jesse Sutton Laura Simpson Metric Engineering Michael Kildea Penny Kamish Steve Corbin