

First Coast TIM Team Meeting

Tuesday, May 17, 2022

Meeting Minutes

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

Introductions and TIM Updates

- Dee Dee Crews opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.
- Dee Dee stated the purpose of the meeting is to partner together to reduce incident scene clearance times, to deter congestion, and improve safety for everyone on the roadway.
- The March 2022 First Coast TIM Team Meeting Minutes were sent to the Team previously, and receiving no comments, they stand as approved.

Your 10 & 95 Project Updates by Tim Heath

- The Contractor is currently Installing signs and lighting.
- The Contractor is also fabricating and installing decorative handrailing to finish the handrail for the Pedestrian/Multi-use path.
- Reinforcing steel is being placed on the exit ramp from I-95 Northbound to I-10 Westbound.
- There will continue to be nighttime lane closures and detours for the next several months.
- Project completion is estimated to be late summer.

Construction Project Update by Hampton Ray

- For the I-295 East Beltway Express Lanes, Tolls are being implemented.
- There will be pacing operations overnight for the following week on the Buckman bridge to install overhead structures.
- The Gate Parkway entrance to the Express Lanes has had 3-4 accidents, as motorists are likely getting used to this new traffic pattern.

Emergency Operations Update – Jason Evans

- Carrie Stanbridge could not attend but provided an email to Jason. Carrie indicated that Emergency Shoulder Use (ESU) exercises have been completed to make sure FDOT is ready for Hurricane Season.

Maintenance Operations Update – Jason Evans

- Carrier also provided Maintenance Operations Updates to Jason. Carrie noted that the Rest Area rehab throughout the district is currently on-going.
- Additionally, procurement of an asset maintenance contract to replace the DBI contract is underway.

ITS Update/ITS Projects/511/TMC Updates by Craig Carnes and Jason Evans

- There is an ITS Project nearing completion in the area of JaxPort Talleyrand. DMS and verification cameras have been installed on MLK Jr. Parkway, 8th Street & 21st Street. Additionally, several signal controllers in the area were replaced and a warning sign was installed to warn motorists when the train was crossing Talleyrand Avenue in the NB direction.

- The ITS Group is continuing to review Project plans during Phase 2,3, and 4 submittals to make sure the ITS Infrastructure and devices are correctly shown and make sure that comments were addressed, and plans were updated for the next submittal.
- Updates and improvements have been made to the FL511 App to make it more user friendly and to be able to use it hands free.
- CCTV cameras were added to both sides of the Matthews Bridge under the ITS Maintenance Contract. This will allow the RTMC to see these areas to allow them to monitor congestion and provide traffic information regarding any incidents.
- The SR 105 Heckscher Drive Project is nearing completion. This project installed several DMS and verification cameras in the area of JaxPort between Blount Island and the TraPac Terminal.
- During the Statewide TIM meeting in March there were lengthy discussions on FDOT investigating ways to improve Road Ranger safety

Performance Measures/Incident Reviews - Presentations by Jason Evans and Gerald Smith

- Jason provided a Performance Measures presentation and provided an overview of two separate incidents the RTMC worked since the last meeting.
- Gerald provided the Team with an Incident Review presentation from one of the incidents that he had responded to as part of his job duties.

Incident Debrief

- There were quite a few recent incidents that did not meet the 90 Minute clearance goal.
- Anyone can help reduce congestion and avoid incidents by calling *347 to report anything they see on the roads which may be a danger to motorists.
- Dee Dee encouraged the Team to discuss any of the incidents on the list, but there were no comments or questions.
- It was noted that there have been several instances recently where motorists have been rude and even threatening to the Road Rangers. Dee Dee stated that the Road Rangers are encouraged to drive away if the situation gets to a point they don't feel safe.

Announcements

- There is a new URL to the JAX511 website, with includes recent updates. The website is northeastfloridatraffic.com
- The next meeting is scheduled for July 19th at 10 a.m. and will be held in person in the TPO Boardroom.
- If anyone needs anything or has any questions, please contact Dee Dee Crews at DeeDee.Crews@dot.state.fl.us or (904) 903-2009.

Meeting Adjourned