



## I-95 Corridor Coalition Beyond Boundaries

### I-95 Corridor Coalition TSMO Happenings November 2018 - March 2019

#### Strategic Planning Session – March 6, 2019

This half-day workshop began with a plenary session to introduce the TSMO and Freight topics. Each group broke out into a one-hour session to discuss and prioritize topics within five major areas including data, core programming, technology, training, and operations. The groups reconvened for a fruitful cross-cutting discussion on the topics and ended with polling to prioritize the program areas. Approximately 45 agency members from across the I-95 Corridor Coalition's geography participated in this 2020 fiscal year planning session.



#### Summit on Traveler Information Strategies during Emergency Operations: Getting the Word Out to Travelers & Truckers – March 7, 2019

This informative day-long session included more than 80 people from the TSMO and Freight-Intermodal committees. They represented agencies from across the Coalition's geography with guests from Alabama, Tennessee, and Texas. This hybrid web and in-person meeting was very engaging with high energy presentations and lots of discussion around the topics. Plenty of time was available for agency participants to exchange ideas and solve problems.



**Fred Heery (FDOT)** led off with a presentation on Hurricanes Irma and Michael in Florida and the use of shoulders along evacuation routes (Emergency Shoulder Use

(ESU) plans), coordinating with travel information companies such as WAZE and Google maps and truck-related emergency travel issues such as fuel delivery. **Dinah Massie, Houston TranStar** explained their Roadway Flood Warning System. It was a spirited discussion that included freight-intermodal matters, as well. Houston TranStar brings many emergency responders and agencies together under one roof to coordinate effectively on a regular basis. **Mary Farrell from Information Logistics presented on behalf of PennDOT and the PA Turnpike Commission.** The 511PAConnect System (branded as HELP in the I-95 Coalition) enables the agency to send a push alert to users in a specific geofenced area. The purpose is to inform users who are trapped in a queue due to a severe crash or weather event. Messages can be tailored to trucks and passenger vehicles. **Kelly Wells, North Carolina DOT,** reported on North Carolina DOT's preparation and response to Hurricane Florence which caused widespread flooding and road closures. Kelly led a discussion among the agencies on how they communicate with navigation companies.

The final session was devoted to an open discussion on several topics that member agencies are dealing with including engaging the freight community, experiences with Waze, and data storage and governance. [Please click here for more information.](#)

#### Private-Sector Origin-Destination Data TSMO Applications Webinar – December 6, 2018

The purpose of the webinar was to introduce two new data sets (origin-destination data (O-D data) and trajectory data (trips)); to explore a national O-D study; and, to discuss emerging TSMO and planning applications leveraging the OD and Trajectory data sets. The full application for the data sets is yet untapped, but for certain includes a variety of planning and operations scenarios. [Please click here for the presentations and all of the meeting documents.](#)



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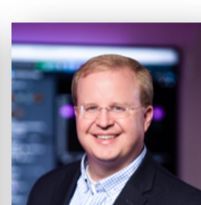
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#### Del Val HOGS Exchange: Integration of Tow Operators into Incident Management – November 29, 2018

This in-person workshop was held at NJDOT Southern Offices. The presentations and discussions focused on towing best practices and lessons learned. Presenters were Meredith McDiarmid (NCDOT) who discussed network and contract towing, along with towing incentives and disincentives; and Robert Baker, Jr. (GDOT) who discussed the GDOT TRIP (Towing and Recovery Incentive Program). Both presentations emphasized the importance of coordination and a bond between and among the DOT, law enforcement and tow operators. This in-person workshop provided participants with the opportunity to discuss issues and plan for coordination with bordering states. [Please click here for more information.](#)



#### Connected and Autonomous Vehicles Webinar: Agency Roadmap Showcase & Conducting a Capacity Maturity Model Self-Assessment – November 14, 2018

This webinar consisted of three spotlight presentations from Neil Boudreau (MassDOT), Raj Ponnaluri (FDOT), and Mark Kopko (PennDOT). Each presentation demonstrated CAV strategic plans, roadmaps, and recommendations for agencies. Mark also presented the results of PennDOT's CMM self-assessment and proposed actionable steps for agencies to conduct their own. [Click here for the presentation and meeting summary.](#)



**I-95 Corridor Coalition is on YouTube – Check the link below for all TSMO and other Coalition recorded web meetings and presentations starting February 2018.**

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC4ySXvd1ht4KE4dR1Az7geA>

#### About the I-95 Corridor Coalition -



The I-95 Corridor Coalition is a partnership of transportation agencies, toll authorities, public safety, and related organizations, from the State of Maine to the State of Florida, with affiliate members in Canada. The Coalition provides a forum for key decision makers to address transportation management and operations issues of common interest. This volunteer, consensus-driven organization enables its myriad state, local and regional member agencies to work together to improve transportation system performance far more than they could working individually. The Coalition has successfully served as a model for multi-state/jurisdictional interagency cooperation and coordination for over two decades.

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