

# NATIONAL LOCAL TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM ASSOCIATION

## **Safety Work Group Meeting Minutes**

Monday, November 18, 2013

Recorded Meeting: https://connectdot.connectsolutions.com/p8nm8ruiiao/

**The LTAP/TTAP Joint Safety Program** – a collaborative effort between FHWA and NLTAPA to increase safety program activities and awareness

• 1:00pm: Welcome and Roll Call –Marie Walsh, LA LTAP, NLTAPA SWG Co-Chair

Michele Beck, MT LTAP
Ray Brushart, KY LTAP
Laura Carter, AR LTAP
Ron Eck, WV LTAP
Jim Grothaus, MN LTAP
Jeff Hackback, KY LTAP
Janet Leli, NJ LTAP
Bill Lowery, TX LTAP
C. S. Papacostas, HI LTAP
Richard Rolland, Eastern WA TTAP
Donna Shea, CT LTAP
Laura Slusher, IN LTAP
Marie Walsh, LA LTAP

### FHWA/LTAP/TTAP Clearinghouse:

Susan Monahan. LTAP/TTAP Clearinghouse Hillary Isebrands, FHWA Resource Center Robert Pollack, FHWA Office of Safety Cathy Satterfield, FHWA Office of Safety Rosemarie Anderson, FHWA Office of Safety

#### Partners:

Dave Brand, NACE Priscilla Tobias, Illinois DOT

- Joint Safety Program Update: Janet Leli, NJ LTAP, NLTAPA SWG Co-Chair Joint Safety Program is working on topics for LTAP/TTAP National Conference for Train-the-Trainer and three break-out sessions. These should be available at TRB, January 2014. There will be a Safety Work Group meeting on Sunday, January 12, 2014, following the general business meeting.
- respond to Cathy (Cathy.Satterfield@dot.gov) by December 9, 2013, to these 3 questions: 1) Is there value in expanding the existing shoe loaner program? 2) Should EDC brochures (see links below) regarding Safety Edge be adapted and revised to better target Local Public Agencies? Suggestions for new and different Safety Edge outreach efforts? <a href="http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/everydaycounts/technology/safetyedge/brochure/brochure.pdf">http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/everydaycounts/technology/safetyedge/brochure/brochure.pdf</a>
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  <a href="http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/everydaycounts/technology/safetyedge/intro.cfm">http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/everydaycounts/technology/safetyedge/intro.cfm</a>)? For example, are LPAs already able to easily access their state's policies, specifications and drawings, or should FHWA make them available?
- Presentations on Making Sense of the MAP21 Data Requirements: The Benefits and Challenges to Local Agencies All
   Presenter Powerpoints available at this link: <a href="http://www.nltapa.org/content/safety">http://www.nltapa.org/content/safety</a>
  - Map21 Data Requirements and Implications to LTAP and the Locals: Bob Pollack, FHWA Office of Safety: The Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century (MAP-21) reauthorizing legislation for the US DOT surface modes, in addition to addressing a variety of issues, provides some fairly definitive language on capabilities a state safety data system is expected to provide in terms of helping the state with its Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP). This legislation defines or addresses for state safety data systems:
    - •What roadways are to be covered
    - •What does safety data consist of
    - States should develop a basemap (to include all public roads) to provide for a common means to locate geospatial data

- •Extensive listing of analysis and evaluation capabilities that the state safety data system should be capable of
- And a subset of the Model Inventory of Roadway Elements also known as the Fundamental Data Elements
- •This legislation has implications for State DOTs to work with local agencies. The FHWA Office of Safety has programs and assistance that may be beneficial to state and local agencies in meeting the state safety data system requirements under MAP-21.
- Representing the Local Needs at the State Level TRCC and Beyond: Donna Shea, Connecticut LTAP: Outlined
  how their LTAP center took action getting on the TRCC board to assist locals in getting crash data and assistance
  with crash analysis.
- Data Analysis technical assistance and training examples:

Resource Center Safety Team, Hillary Isebrands: Covered possible training workshops available for LTAP/TTAP centers, giving examples of Colorado workshop by bringing in local data from Colorado DOT and going through safety plan process.

Priscilla Tobias, IL DOT Safety Engineer: Reviewed Summer Training Program at LTAP/TTAP national conference 2014 on how crash data analysis in a data poor environment can work through using trends, providing access to locals through password-confidentiality crash records at state DOT, and at local workshops of working with data trees and heat maps for all their counties. State DOT helped locals with crash analysis, HSIP workshops and benefits. Worked on state top 50 curves including local curves using safety improvements with goal aimed at 50% reduction of crashes on these curves.

Tobias will be providing SWG with a copy of HSIP Guide and HSIP workshop agenda.

With Kevin Burke's departure from Illinois LTAP, Tobias mentioned temporary Illinois LTAP contact is Tom Winkelman, 217-782-0675, Tom.Winkelman@illinois.gov.

 Next SWG Meeting: January 12, 2014 – (TRB) – Washington, DC – After NLTAPA General Business Meeting Upcoming Webinar Meetings for 2014:

February 10, 2014 - 1pm to 3pm April 14, 2014 - 1pm to 3pm June 9, 2014 - 1pm to 3pm

September 8, 2014 - 2:30pm to 4:30pm (1pm already taken)

November 10, 2014 - 1pm to 3pm

### • For 2015:

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[Face to Face Meetings: TRB January 2014 & 2015 and National July 2014 & 2015]