

# Statewide Traffic Records Coordinating Committee (STRCC)

## MEETING MINUTES

**Wednesday March 14, 2018**  
**AAA Mid-Atlantic**  
**700 Horizon Drive Hamilton, NJ**  
**9:30 AM (Refreshments at 9 AM)**  
**Room 147**

1. **Attendees:** Bob Agos, NJOIT; Rob Babitz, NJSP; Andrew Clark, NJDOT; Mike Cox, MVC; Loresa Daniel, FARS; Gabrielle Fausel, NJTPA; Layla Fryc, NJTA; Baher Girgis, NJDOT; Lisa Glodowski, FARS; Keith Hamas, NJTPA; Dave Maruca, RU-LTAP; Deb Orzol, NJDOT; Gary Poedubicky, NJDHTS; Shannon Purdy, NHTSA Region 2; Mike Rizol, NJSP; Nick Schock, NJPTOA; Tim Seplaki, NJDOHOEMS; Elisabeth Smith, NJDOT; Paul Thomas, NJDOT; Chris Zajac, NJDOT; Thomas Fitzgerald, NJOIT; Kevin Murphy, DVRPC; Patricia Ott, Chair.
2. **Current Project Updates**
  - a. DHSS
    - i. New Data Law in effect mandating ePCR (1/17/2018).
    - ii. OEMS averages over 130,000 records a month
    - iii. Almost 400 agencies submitting data
    - iv. >90% of all 911 calls being captured by ePCR
    - v. Computer tablets (iPads) purchased through 405 grant have been distributed to volunteer and municipal agencies to help with the ePCR initiative
    - vi. 60% increase in ePCR data since this time last year
    - vii. Feb 2018 NJ OEMS implemented an updated validation rule set which dramatically increase the accuracy and completeness of the ePCR data being submitted.
    - viii. New Jersey has completed transition to NEMSIS 3.4
    - ix. NJ OEMS has partnered with NJSP to help combat the opioid crisis. EMS data is being utilized to identify surges in suspected opioid overdoses. Additionally, State Police are looking to expand the use of data to include crashes involving suspect opioid use (Narcan administration by EMS).
    - x. EMS will request DMI to partner a presentation for the STRCC group at the June meeting
3. **Electronic Data Transfer Project – Update:** With the recent receipt of bids, of the 6 submissions, 5 vendors qualified. The bids are being evaluated currently and a selection is expected to be announced in April 2018.
4. **Safety Voyager – Update:** A 2<sup>nd</sup> version was released in Feb. 2018 adding 4 modules:
  - Trends module concentrates on displaying crash data trends and statistics by jurisdiction.

- Emphasis Areas enables to view crash data aggregated and juxtaposed by areas of interest.
- Reports module generates a crash attribute report that compares a jurisdiction against statewide crash data.
- Safety Calendar enables to view crash data aggregated by the Highway Traffic Safety themes.

There are no concrete plans what the future releases will contain. However, we plan to have the next major release ready for July 30, 2018 and second one for December 19, 2018.

5. **Driverless Cars and Crash Records, Are We Ready?** Paul Thomas started the discussion by asking what needs to be done to the NJTR-1 Crash Form for NJ to be ready to collect data on autonomous vehicles. As of now, the NJTR-1 does not contain any information regarding driverless vehicles according to the latest MMUCC mapping results.

Side Note: the current NJTR-1 does contain a field for a vehicle in motion (unmanned) but the intent of this field was not for driverless vehicles.

There are no current discussions or proposed legislation to enhance motor vehicle law in NJ to accommodate driverless vehicles. The NJDOT does have a “Connected and Autonomous Vehicle Working Group”; Andrew Clark is a member and will provide updates as needed. Shannon Purdy will provide updates from NHTSA at the June meeting. It was suggested that this issue become a regular meeting agenda item.

6. **Update of the Strategic Plan:** Surveys went out to the data system owners and Pat is awaiting the return of those; she is scheduling data user interviews now. When complete the subcommittee will be provided a summary of the survey results to begin to formulating potential projects for the strategic plan.

#### 7. **Open Discussion - Agency Highlights**

- a. Traffic Records Forum, Aug. 12-15<sup>th</sup>, Milwaukee Wisconsin  
<http://www.trafficrecordsforum.org/>
- b. MMUCC 5<sup>th</sup> Statewide Mapping Final Report: the final report was received from the consultant; **attached** is a one-pager on NJ’s compliance with MMUCC.
- c. ANSI D.16-2017 Manual on Classification of Motor Vehicle Traffic Crashes: ATSIIP published the update to the Manual; **attached** for your use.
- d. Freight Services Dashboard: **Attached** showing NJ’s overall State rating for data quality.
- e. NJDOT Safe Corridor Program: Paul Thomas asked whether a safe corridor can be added to the existing program; yes it can at the Commissioner’s discretion (a request has been made for Rt. 130 in Burlington County to be designated); the NJDOT will be performing a Road Safety Audit along the corridor in on March 26<sup>th</sup> which will identify deficiencies and areas of improvement. The DVRPC will be participating and is wrapping-up a crash trend analysis of US 130 with a spring publishing planned.

8. Next Meeting

June 12<sup>th</sup>, Room 148