

Alachua/Bradford TIM Team Meeting Wednesday August 14, 2013

Meeting Minutes



- Craig Carnes opened the meeting by welcoming everyone and stated the purpose of the meeting is to work together as a team and learn from each other.
- Craig then asked everyone to introduce themselves. The sign in sheet is attached to these Meeting Minutes.
- Following introductions, Donna Danson stated she had not received any corrections for the last set of Meeting Minutes, so as of now they are approved.
- Ed Ward gave the EOC Update.
 - There are currently 2 storms that could potentially become tropical systems. Everyone should keep up with these systems.
 - The Panhandle of Florida has been experiencing flooding due to large amounts of rainfall.
- Craig gave the ITS/511 Update.
 - The project from CR 234 up to SR 24 is up for bid next month. It should go to contract by the end of 2014 and is a one year project. This project includes Dynamic Message Signs (DMS) on both US 441 and I-75 to provide traveler information approaching Paynes Prairie, Closed Circuit Television (CCTV) coverage of the highway, as well as Infrared Radar Cameras and Visibility Sensors at Paynes Prairie on US 441 and I-75
 - The Future Project Considerations at this time are:
 - I-75 from SR 24 to the Georgia State Line
 - I-10 from Jacksonville to Tallahassee
 - Finishing up I-95 on the east coast sideThe frequency of devices on these potential projects would depend on funding.
- Laurie Windham provided the Construction Project Update.
 - The Design Build US 441 Interchange Project is underway.
 - The SR 121 Project at the YMCA turn lane is scheduled to start September 17th.
 - A sidewalk project for Howard Bishop Middle School on 19th Street is underway.
 - Paving of SR 230 from St. Clair Street to the County Line has been completed.

- Donna led Agency Reviews.
 - Steve Scanlon introduced Gary McIntire with DBI.
 - Donna mentioned Chris Gilbert's published Hazmat Book and the Team congratulated him on this accomplishment.
 - FHP – Lt Caulk stated RISC responses have been going very well. He also mentioned University Towing and DBI have both been doing a great job during these responses.
 - GPD – No issues for discussion.
 - Alachua Sheriff's Office Dispatch – Pat Ford-Thomas asked which agency should notify DBI. Lt. Caulk answered that FHP will notify DBI if they are on scene, and if ASO is on scene they can call FHP to dispatch.
 - FDOT Maintenance – No issues for discussion.
 - DBI – Gary McIntire stated he would be attending all of the TIM Team Meetings as his availability allows. He also stated DBI is working hard to get a better knowledge of the area and the agencies.
 - Medical Examiner – Mike Goodman mentioned an incident in Dixie County with 4 fatalities in a single vehicle.
 - Fire Department – Larry Stewart stated 2 transports had been struck within the past month. One transport was struck from behind and the other was struck while attempting an official turn around on the interstate. ACFR is now strictly enforcing the policy in which transports and fire trucks are not to use the official turn arounds on the interstate.
 - Emergency Management – Not present.
 - Wrecker Association – No issues for discussion but does agree with ACFD on the turn around issues on the interstate. Steve Scanlan stated he would check into paving a turn around in the large median to the south of Paynes Prairie. This large area would allow a large vehicle more room to turn around and more of an area to accelerate to merge onto the interstate.
 - Division of Forestry - Jamie Rittenhouse mentioned 95 people from the Division of Forestry are out West helping with the fires. He stated since the last Team meeting, there has only been one wildfire at a total of half an acre burned, 344 burn authorizations for 1,238 acres, and 450 burn piles in Alachua County. In Bradford County there has been one wildfire at a third of an acre burnt, 26 burn authorizations at 95 acres, and 57 burn piles since the last Team meeting.
 - FDEP-BER / Alachua Environmental – No issues for discussion.
 - Gainesville Smartraffic – No issues for discussion.

- Donna mentioned an error on the Hazmat cards. Chris Gilbert explained in the Alachua County notification section on the card it should state "...into or involving surface *waters*" instead of "surface *waste*". Donna reminded the Team that Hazmat cards are available to any agencies to hand out to their responders and dispatchers.

- Donna led the Incident Debrief.
 - The incident list is attached to these meeting minutes.
 - Chris Gilbert stated the incident on July 31st was coordinated very well between agencies.

- Bruce Strickland provided an overview of the Incident Responder Training.

- Craig Carnes provided an update on the Incident Responder Training Course.

- Announcements: Next Alachua/Bradford Traffic Incident Management Team meeting will be October 9, 2013 at the FDOT Gainesville Operations Office – 5301 N.E. 39th Ave., Gainesville, Florida.
 - Alachua-Bradford TIM Team Newsletter – Laurie Windham will let everyone know when submittals are due.
 - Craig Carnes led the review of the 2013 FHWA TIM Team Assessment. Members mutually agreed upon scores for each of the review areas.

- The TIM Team portion of the meeting is adjourned and the RISC debrief will follow.