

Traffic Incident Management Enhancement (TIME) Quarterly Meeting

Clayton County Police Department 7911 N. McDonough St. Jonesboro, GA 30236

> May 20, 2010 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

**Welcome** – Captain Greg Dickens, Clayton County Police Department Captain Dickens welcomed the group and thanked GDOT for their support of and commitment to Clayton County. He looks forward to working with the TIME Task Force in the future.

**Introductions and Overview** – Gary Millsaps, TIME Task Force President Gary thanked the attendees, and then after everyone made self introductions, he gave an overview of TIME's mission, purpose, strategic vision, and accomplishments. He also addressed the following topics:

- Traffic Incident Management is about responder safety and quick clearance, and the goal is to keep a balance between keeping the road open and being safe.
- The 2010 TIME Annual Conference, "Preventing Secondary Incidents: A Primary Concern," which will be held at the Foundry Park Inn & Spa in Athens on October 25 26.
- TIME has been asked to participate as a host for a Pilot Training Program. This training is being developed as part of the Strategic Highway Research Program 2 (SHRP 2). The Transportation Research Board's (TRB) research and resulting curriculum is designed to establish the foundation of responders to meet the National Traffic Incident Management Coalition's (NTIMC's) National Unified Goal objectives of: responder safety; quick clearance; and prompt, reliable, interoperable communications.

# Quick Clearance Training – Ted Smith, Delcan

Ted's presentation, "Managing Traffic Incidents Safely by Reducing Secondary Crashes," looked at the current statistics and legal liabilities of secondary incidents. TIM responders share the responsibility of protecting themselves at an incident scene and of giving warning and guidance to other users of the roadway. In his presentation, Ted gave examples of recent secondary crashes and identified steps that responders can take to help prevent a secondary crash.

## Recognize, React, Recover Training DVD – Roadway Safety Foundation

Meeting attendees watched Roadway Safety Foundation's educational DVD, *Recognize, React, and Recover*. The DVD is part of a nation-wide public safety education campaign that details the use of rumbles trips to prevent run-off-the-road crashes. Copies of the DVD are available at <u>www.roadwaysafety.org</u>.

#### **TIM Team Updates** – Gwinnett and Bartow Counties

#### Gwinnett County, Bob Manning (Retired Gwinnett County DOT)

- The Gwinnett County TIM Team is making tremendous progress and meets consistently.
- The TIM Team is considering producing a TIM video for the county that uses Gwinnett personnel. This video would be similar to TIM videos recently created by Florida (<u>http://www.northfloridatpo.com/index.php?id=25</u>) and NCDOT.
- The County is working with the training committee to set up a pilot dispatcher awareness course.

#### Bartow County: Battalion Chief Ray King, Cartersville Fire Department

- Ray provided information about a recent chemical spill incident involving a commercial tractor-trailer in Bartow County. As the result of a recent TIM Team meeting, responders decided to move the commercial vehicle to the shoulder and come back after rush hour to offload the trailer.
- Ray met with the County Training Captain, and both agreed to incorporate TIM guidelines (similar to Cobb County and Gwinnett) into the Bartow County Policy. They are waiting for the Cobb County policy to be finalized.
- Bartow County is currently scheduling their next TIM Team meeting.

# Training Committee Update – Ryan Newman, Georgia State Patrol

#### Upcoming Trainings

The committee is planning two tanker training classes, one in Cherokee County and one in Rockdale County. Dates will be announced. This summer, TRIP Level I (Towing Operator) and Level II (Towing Supervisor) Certifications will be offered. Electronic Haz-Mat Certification renewal is offered on the TIME Task Force website for \$15.

#### Trainings in Development

The committee is developing a training course for Dispatcher Awareness Outreach. It will likely include TRAA cards (which identify different classes of vehicles) and a checklist to gather information about an incident scene. A survey will be available for meeting attendees to offer input about the training development. Ryan asked everyone to think of issues they would like to see addressed in the Dispatcher Awareness Outreach Training.

#### Adjournment

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