

Traffic Records Coordinating Committee Meeting Minutes
Monday August 28, 2006
In the NC DOT Photogrammetry Conference Room at the Century Center in Raleigh

Present: Brian Mayhew, Jeff Jaeger, Terry Hopkins, Janet Greene, Wanda Thomas, Sharon Schiro, and Eric Rodgman.

Began meeting at 9:40 AM.

408 Grant Proposal Update:

Brian had copies of the submitted proposal available. NHTSA has received 50 proposals for consideration. The original notification date has passed – probably due to reviewing the proposals before making their final decision on whether to award any money, how much money, and how the initial tasks should be selected and endorsed. In July, NC had received questions from NHTSA concerning the authority of the NC TRCC and a request to provide more detail on the project task listed.

NHTSA will need to know if there are any changes to the data improvement project / task list as soon as they are known. Brian mentioned that the next round of 408 grant money applications will most probably be due in April of 2007. He noted that NC GHSP would be the broker any funds received in NC. One of the first tasks will be to hire a permanent person in GHSP to help facilitate this project. One additional task needed to be done is the new NC state assessment of all state data systems.

The group present discussed how often the group should meet once funds have been allocated to NC. The consensus was that the group should meet once a month if there was information to share and issues to be discussed. In the future, it was agreed that it would be helpful to have a chair and co-chair of the NC TRCC. That way one of the two could be present at every meeting. The new position under GHSP would be responsible for facilitating the meetings, taking minutes, helping the members with action items related to the committee.

State Agency Updates:

Sharon provided a few changes related to the NC Trauma Registry. NC will be adopting the national standards on these data points. NC will drop all the optional variables since they are not consistently provided anyway. Their section is funded through the end of this year and for her through March of 2007.

Janet noted that AOC had received a very large state allocation to improve and upgrade their AOC systems. This would require hiring many new programmer / analysts to help. They need the space and the people quickly. This change doesn't really affect their project ecitation since it is not covered under this new state allocation.

Eric noted that there is still an ongoing issue of crash data access with NC DOT. It is related to security and timeliness of access to the latest NC crash information. Several possibilities could help, but the final decision has not yet been made.

NC TRCC web site:

See <http://www.hsra.unc.edu/trafficrec/>

Please send us any suggestions about what should be included, the look, etc.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:40 AM.

Respectfully submitted,
Eric Rodgman.

Action Items:

- 1) The next proposed meeting will be determined when NHTSA announces the 408 grant projects to be funded.
- 2) Eric Rodgman will send out the minutes via email and update the TRCC web site.
- 3) Any suggestions to the NC TRCC web site can be emailed to either Co-chair Eric Rodgman (eric_rodgman@unc.edu) or Co-chair Brian Mayhew (bmayhew@dot.state.nc.us).