



MINUTES OF MEETING
Southern New Castle County TMT Meeting
July 8, 2008



Meeting Date: July 8, 2008
Location: Townsend Fire Company
Purpose: Southern New Castle County TMT Meeting

List of Meeting Attendees:

Last Name	First Name	Agency	Email
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Handouts provided during the meeting:

1. Agenda
2. April 8, 2008 Meeting Minutes
3. Statewide Action Items List
4. Southern New Castle County Action Items List
5. New Castle County Detour Book

I. Opening Remarks

Gene Donaldson (DelDOT) began the meeting with brief introductions followed by a review of the agenda. Bruce asked if there were any comments to the minutes (none given). Gene reviewed the Statewide Action Items List.

II. Statewide Action Item List

- **Item 1 - Improve DelDOT's After Hour Response** – Nothing new to report
- **Item 2 - DAFB Communications Working Group** – DAFB has not signed off on the project yet. The next meeting of the Route 1 and Route 9 construction project is scheduled for September.
- **Item 3 - Establish TMT Communications Working Group** – Nothing new to report.
- **Item 4 - Conduct Transportation Management Training** – Gene Donaldson (DelDOT) mentioned that the training course is approximately three hours and could include tabletop



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exercises. Cost of the course is free. The last class was taught by state police, DelDOT, and fire school instructors. Every discipline supported the training. It was mentioned that most fire companies have one night per week dedicated to training. This may bring a lot more responders out. The transportation management training course could be mentioned at this Thursday's chiefs meeting. Gene indicated that all DelDOT field personnel will eventually go through the training. Gene will bring extra manuals to the meeting. The course is beneficial particularly for scene safety.

- **Item 5 - Presentation on the DelDOT process for roadway projects** – Nothing new to report.
- **Item 6 - Develop Recommendations for “Safe Quick Clearance” Policy** – The original proposed language for the Delaware Code regarding liability stated that any agent directed by the police to move a vehicle would be held harmless of any liability for damage to the vehicle. The trial lawyers considered this to be too broad an interpretation and added an amendment to the code limiting the liability. The amendment language removed the word ‘agent’ and replaced it with the words “municipal, county, or state employees directed by the police officer” would be held harmless.
- **Item 7 - Develop Statewide Transportation Management Plan** – Pilot areas are currently being developed in each county.
- **Item 8 - All Hazards Non-Typical Transportation Evacuation Committee** – The next meeting of the full committee is scheduled for Tuesday, July 15, 2008.
- **Item 9 - Debris Management Committee** – The next meeting of the full committee is scheduled for Thursday, July 10, 2008.

III. Southern New Castle County Action Item List

Nothing new to report on the action items/traffic studies.

IV. Detours

The pilot area for the New Castle County South detours is from North of the C&D Canal to the Kent County Line. US Route 13 and DE Route 1 detours are in the process of being completed.

V. Open Discussion

There was a brief discussion regarding the fire companies that would respond in the vicinity of the pilot detour area. Odessa, Smyrna, Townsend, and Delaware City (from Tybouts Corner to south of the bridge) could/would be activated. In terms of DSP, Troop 9 covers the southern end up to the area between Christiana and Blue Diamond Park.



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Minutes were prepared by Orth-Rodgers & Associates, Inc (ORA). We believe the foregoing minutes to be an accurate summary of the meeting and related decisions.

Any questions or concerns can be directed to Gene Donaldson at gene.donaldson@state.de.us or (302) 659-4601. Additionally, ORA is providing consulting support and Bruce Littleton can be reached at blittleton@orth-rodgers.com or (215) 735-1932. Revisions to the minutes can be emailed to Kisha Duckett at kduckett@orth-rodgers.com

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