

State Traffic Records Advisory Committee (STRAC)

Bi-Monthly Meeting

Thursday, May 18, 2023 9:00 AM to 12:00 AM Remote Meeting via Google Hangout

Meeting Minutes

Attendees:

Adams County-Josh Sender, C&C Denver-Eric Stein, CDOT-David Swenka, CDOT-Paul Clayton, CDOT-Alyssa Herrin, CDPS-Shane Scovel, CDOT-BoYan Quinn, CDHS-Webster Hendricks, CDPS-Cindy Stewart, CDPS-Christopher Grimsley, DOR-Scott Spinks, DOR-Salvatore Lannutti, DOR-Benjamin Mitchell, Aurora PD-Carrigan Bennet, DRCOG-Emily Kleinfelter, DRCOG-Jacob Riger, DRCOG-Erik Braaten, NHTSA-Kara Mueller, NFRMPO-Anna, Westminster PD-JJ Eliott, Jefferson County SO-Jessica Parivar, Town of Limon-Gillian Laycock, OIT-Ted DeRosa, Stolfus-Cyndi Hoffman, Stolfus-Matt Brown, CDPS-John Lynkiewicz, Stolfus-Celeste Shinn, Judicial-Jennifer Frale

Agenda:

Business Meeting:

- 1. Welcome
 - a. Scott S. called the meeting to order.
- 2. Roll Call
 - a. A quorum of voting members was reached with the following roll call:
 - b. Scott Spinks, present
 - i. David Swenka, present
 - ii. Major Ansari, absent
 - iii. Barbara Gabella, absent
 - iv. Jennifer Frale, present
 - v. Amy Bhikha, absent
 - vi. Webster Henricks, present
- 3. Review & Acceptance of past meeting minutes from March 16, 2023
 - a. Motion to accept past minutes Webster H., seconded by David S, motion passes unanimously.
- 4. Fatal & Serious Injury Scoreboard

The updated scoreboard (data through 4/30/23) was presented along with a discussion regarding impaired driving fatalities. Cindy S. Cindy Stewart mentioned that the impaired driving fatalities are listed as based on trooper opinion because they do not have toxicology reports back and the final coroner's information. There is not currently a good system in place to match the toxicology report to all traffic fatalities that come back in. David S. asked if the impaired driving fatalities include non-motorists such as pedestrians and cyclists, to which Cindy Stewart clarified that it does.

5. Traffic Records Projects

- a. Existing FY 23 405C Grants
 - i. <u>Crash Data Consortium (DRCOG)</u> Regional cash data consortium process. Jacob Riger reported that they had been doing interviews and needs assessments for the last six months. They were still working to determine if there should only be one version of the truth or if it was OK to have multiple data sets for multiple situations.

b. New FY 23 405C Grants

i. <u>E-Citation Project Manager Ph 1</u> - First phase of E-citations PM project to set the baseline and focus on proof-of-concept through limited testing among CSP and DOR with focus on data accuracy. Project was approved with the condition that the PM is employed under OIT.

c. New FY 24 405C Grants

- i. <u>Geocoding Project Pueblo</u> Improve accuracy, uniformity, accessibility, and completeness of off-highway system crash records in Pueblo County. Project was approved and longform was requested.
- ii. <u>E-Ticket System Westminster</u> In the beginning stages of E-ticketing system, project would provide software and hardware for full implementation. Project would improve timeliness and accuracy. Project was initially approved, and long form application was requested.
- iii. <u>Electronic Ticketing (Lincoln County)</u> Project would create a centralized database within 3 months, project will improve timeliness of data collection and accuracy of citations. Long form was submitted, and project was approved.
- iv. <u>City and County of Denver Geocoding</u> Improve inaccuracies in crash location through geocoding. Meeting with DRCOG to discuss methodology. To be voted on at a later date.

6. STRAC Task Force Reports

- a. Crash Manual analyzing survey results and creating steps to move forward.
- b. Fatal Blotter Phase I testing is complete, encountered some unexpected issues. Working on completing fixes and hoping to implement by the end of September.
- c. eCitation working on accelerating some of this work.

7. Traffic Records Strategic Plan Status / Performance Measures

a. Decided to use E-Citations project as 405C performance measurement for FY 24. Improving accuracy of E-citation data by 10% in 5 critical data elements. The specific data elements will be determined after meeting with DOR next week and CSP will be included in the meeting.

8. STRAC Officer Elections

- a. Chair David Swenka was nominated for Chair. David accepts nomination. Motion to accept David S. as new Chair made by Webster H. and seconded by Scott S. Motion unanimously passes.
- b. Vice Chair Scott Spinks was nominated for Vice Chair. Scott S accepts nomination. Motion to accept Scott S. as Vice Chair is made by David S. and seconded by Webster H. Motion unanimously passes.
- c. Other positions are appointed and will remail. New representative for Judicial is Jennifer Frale and new representative for CSP is Major Afsoon Ansari.

9. Roundtable

a. ATSIP Conference - The conference is out of state travel and the budget is reserved for the seven voting members. The application process opens up at the beginning of the year and they review applications in March. If an agency is not able to send a representative, they

open up the slot to local agencies with a grant project. They are looking at the new travel plan for 2024 and will support local agencies if there is funding available.

Planning Meeting:

10. Workshop

- a. Workshop began with a reminder of the Mission / Vision / Goals. TRC gave a basic overview of the traffic records systems, if you would like additional information, please contact Celeste Shinn at celeste@stolfusandassociates.com. Data sharing barriers identified in past workshops include lack of regular communication between systems, not understanding what data is available/exists, understanding what information can be shared, and if parties are qualified to enter into data sharing agreements. Barriers to data quality and integrity include the need for common understanding when using data terminology, how to define quality and integrity levels, incorporating data validation techniques into data transfers, and question on who is responsible for identifying errors in their own data.
- b. David S. is part of the Government Data Advisory Board (GDAB) and participating in the Data Sharing subcommittee. The GDAB is a new initiative to help ridge data sharing issues. Subcommittees are currently developing criteria templates and conditions for when a data sharing agreement is needed. Also working on a data inventory to identify who is responsible for each data element. David S. will continue to update STRAC on GDAB efforts.
- c. Opportunities Discussed:
 - i. PII Workshop to understand what information can be shared
 - ii. Crash Manual uniformity in RMS systems
 - iii. Understand how data sets are interlinked to minimize redundancy
 - iv. More information on Vulnerable Road Users discussed pedestrians, disproportionately impacted communities and non-vehicle related crashes.
 - v. Supporting SS4A efforts
 - vi. Location of citations and any correlations

Team will continue to work together to find links in the systems to work more efficiently and continue to develop ideas for traffic records improvement.

11. Adjourn

a. David S. makes a motion to adjourn, seconded by Scott S. Scott S. adjourned the meeting and thanked the participants.

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