State Traffic Records Advisory Committee (STRAC)

Bi-Monthly Meeting
Thursday, August 18, 2022
9:00 AM to 12:00 AM
Remote Meeting via Google Hangout

Meeting Minutes

Attendees

DOR, Scott Spinks *(Vice Chair)*	DRCOG, Jenny Wallace	NHTSA, Joe Livingston
CDOT, Paul Clayton	Judicial, Molly Saxton	Castle Pines, Larry Nimmo
CDPHE, Barbara Gabella	DRCOG, Emily Kleinfelter	OIT, Salvatore Lannutti
FHWA, Dahir Egal	CDPS, John Lynkiewicz	Stolfus, Elizabeth Stolfus *(TRC)*
CDPS, Cindy Stewart	CDOT, Rachel Davis	Stolfus, Matt Brown *(TRC)*
CDOT, Dave Swenka	CDOT, Glenn Davis	Stolfus, Celeste Shinn *(TRC)*
CDOT, Elayna McCall	NFRMPO, AnnaRose Cunningham	

Agenda:

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:
      i. David Aldridge, absent
      ii. Scott Spinks, present
      iii. David Swenka, present
      iv. Barbara Gabella, present
      v. Molly Saxton, present
      vi. Amy Bhikha, absent
      vii. Webster Hendricks, absent

3. Review & Acceptance of past meeting minutes from June 16, 2022
   a. *Motion to accept as presented by Dave S., seconded by Molly S., motion passes unanimously.*

4. Status of Action Items
   a. Fatal & Serious Injury Scoreboard – Dave S presented the latest report, see attached. The first two charts show fatality and serious injury reduction since 2002 followed by the statewide goals, trends in the last five years, and charts by emphasis/focus area.
   b. Executive Safety Council (STSP/STRAC Integration) – Dave A has been leading this effort, will follow up.
   c. Officer's Crash Reporting Manual – STRAC is continuing to form the committee. The kick-off meeting will occur in September. Anyone interested in participating please reach out to Matt Brown (matt@stolfusandassociates.com).
   d. Bylaws were reviewed and modified to add language to the Duties of the Committee for voting members to advise Executive Leadership of STRAC Committee work and a section was added to Meetings to permit Special Meetings or email ballots. *Motion to accept as presented by Dave S., seconded by Barbara G., motion passes unanimously.*
   e. STRAC Meeting Schedule - *Motion to accept as presented by Scott S., seconded by Molly S., motion passes unanimously.*
      i. March 16, 2023
      ii. May 18, 2023
      iii. August 17, 2023
      iv. October 19, 2023
      v. December 14, 2023

5. Traffic Records Projects
    a. FY 22 405C Grants
        i. Castle Pines Geocoding - All data is in and the project is complete. Training needs to be scheduled for Larry
        ii. DRCOG Crash Data Consortium – project will begin in FY 23. Currently working on scope of work with BoYan. Prompt coordination will be needed to finish the project by FY 24.
        iii. BESDT Phase II - Continuing as planned.
        iv. Traffic Records Coordinator - Continuing as planned.
6. ATSIP Conference Recap – overall the conference was a success with 300 attendees. Volunteers were thanked for their participation. Many lessons learned including ideas about better geolocating data that could be used both on system and off system, better data on vulnerable users, and assessments on how data is accessed.

7. NHTSA/FHWA Updates
    a. Summary from Joe L.:
        i. Growing fund for 405(c), $2.4M available
        ii. What do we know about Colorado's Traffic Safety stakeholder needs and how to adequately respond to those needs? A possible project could be surveying stakeholders to improve traffic data access, followed by training based on survey findings. Look for examples in other state's Highway Safety Plans, like Washington.
        iii. Available to make connection with other states to share their experience.
    b. Summary from Dahir E.:
        i. Vulnerable road users are a big focus with the state having to allocate 15% of funds to VRU unless pedestrian and bicycle user fatalities decrease.
        ii. Information on special rules is attached: USDOT Vulnerable Road Users Special Rule and Older Drivers and Pedestrians special Rule.
        iii. Next big issue is equity.

Planning Meeting:

8. Strategic Plan Implementation
    a. STRAC Outreach Presentation – draft presentation has been created. Fatal & Serious Injury Scoreboard will be included. TRC will work on developing interim branding options and follow up with Manjari B. on logo status.
    b. E-Citation Project Overview
        i. Rick Summers is lead but the body camera project is taking priority at the present time. Comments on flow of citations will be shared with project team.
        ii. Captain Scovel is currently the acting Officer in Charge.
    c. Workshop
        i. Review of previous workshop on the goal "Increase participation and collaboration in traffic records initiatives statewide" including list of initial outreach agencies and local law enforcement outreach.
        ii. Workshop next goal "Reduce barriers in electronic data transfer, data quality, linkage, and integration processes".
            • Conversation began with determining what data can be shared and how we can use it, how to determine what data is missing, how to assess the quality of data, and how to get consistent data between state and city/county data.
                • Dave S. and Cindy S. are members of GDAB (Government Data Advisory Board) committee that is currently looking at how to share data statewide, may be able to use some of their findings.
                • Do all agencies know that STRAC exists? Tie this in with outreach efforts from previous workshop.
            • Some of the data sharing barriers that need to be overcome include: collaboration and regular communication, understanding what information can be shared (by statute), and how to determine whether parties are qualified to enter a data sharing agreement.
            • With respect to data quality & integrity, the following observations were made:
                • Electronic transmission is highly desirable as it helps minimize opportunities for human error
                • Education and training is necessary to aid in data integrity

- Data quality and integrity barriers that were discussed include:
  - How to define quality and integrity levels
  - There is a need for common understanding when using data terminology
  - Need to incorporate data validation techniques into data transfers
  - Whether the sharing agency is responsible for identifying known limitations / errors in the data
- Next Steps – Continue to brainstorm barriers, identify strategies to overcome them, and develop plan for implementation.
  d. PII Education Session Status – deferred to next meeting.

9. Adjourn
   a. *Scott S. adjourned the meeting as acting chairperson.*

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