

DELAWARE VALLEY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

ITS Technical Task Force Meeting Minutes February 24, 2003

The following are highlights from the meeting of the ITS Technical Task Force held on Monday, February 24, 2003 at the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission Conference Room. A list of attendees is attached.

Agenda Item #1: Welcome and Individual Updates

Karl Ziemer, Delaware River Port Authority, welcomed the Technical Task Force members and thanked them for coming. The minutes from the last meeting held on December 3, 2002 at the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission were approved. The first item of business was the individual updates. Each person in attendance introduced themselves and added any relevant ITS updates from their agency. Some of the highlights included:

- ▶ The Philadelphia Airport reported that Terminal A, the new international terminal, is scheduled to open in April.
- ▶ Montgomery County is currently working on a project with Edwards & Kelsey to set up communications between PennDOT District 6 and the Montgomery County Emergency Operations Center. The consultant will have an Implementation Plan completed by May 6th.
- ▶ The City of Philadelphia began testing the Route 10 Trolley Route for signal preemption. Route 15 on Girard Ave. is 95% complete.
- ▶ DRPA announced that they have received over two dozen applications for their software development for their new Traffic Management Center.
- ▶ The traffic signal preemption for SEPTA's Bus Route 52 is 90% complete.
- ▶ The South Jersey Transportation Authority reported that the overhead walkway and high speed EZ-Pass at the Pleasantville Interchange will be completed by March 2004.
- ▶ The Delaware River Joint Toll Bridge Commission has selected a contractor for their electronic surveillance plan that will function as a security and a traffic monitoring system.

Agenda Item #2: Traffic Incident Management Self Assessment

Jessie Yung, FWHA, gave a presentation a Traffic Incident Management (TIM) Self Assessment that will be conducted in our region. The purpose of the Traffic Incident Management Self Assessment is threefold. First, it will allow local stakeholders to assess how they will manage traffic incidents and identify areas for improvement. Second, it will allow FWHA to assess the needs identified by the practitioners and develop program initiatives to help them address those needs. Third, it will gauge overall progress in traffic incident management. There will be two separate TIM Self Assessments conducted in the DVRPC region. The first will be for the I-76 / I-476 Interchange Area. Members of the I-76 / I-476 Incident Management Task Force will fill out the Self Assessment and meet on March 18th to discuss their results. The second will evaluate the I-95 corridor. This meeting will take place on March 30th.

Agenda Item #3: PRIMIS

Stan Platt, DVRPC, gave an informative presentation on the concept and advancement of the Philadelphia Regional Integrated Multi-modal Information Sharing (PRIMIS) concept. The goal of PRIMIS is to share real-time incident and other information among operation centers, manage events, and create an Information Exchange Network (IEN) for the Delaware Valley. Traffic Management Centers, Emergency Management Centers, Transit Management Centers and Information Service Providers would all be sharing relevant information on a common network. The type of information to be shared includes network data, incidents and construction information, traffic conditions, transit delays, special events, and archived data.

The PRIMIS initiative requires a Systems Engineering Analysis. This Analysis includes a concept of operations, requirements analysis, design, implementation, verification, and operations & maintenance. The next step for advancing PRIMIS is to hire a consultant. The initial tasks for the consultant will include developing a concept of operations, conduct an outreach effort, develop a fax/email program, and establish a detailed requirements analysis. This will require the consultant to talk to all agencies in detail to find out what type of system is currently in place and how each system can be linked together.

It was suggested that PRIMIS is a product of tangible needs- a step by step process, not a grand scheme with a final product.

Other Comments included:

- Center to center communications will abide by ITS standards, and eventually these standards will define how which language agencies will use to communicate with each other
- Each agency is at different stages of PRIMIS development
- A working group consisting of the larger agencies may be required

Agenda Item #4: Other Business

The next meeting date is scheduled for **May 29th** at 9:30am, in DVRPC's main conference room.

**ITS Technical Task Force Meeting
February 24, 2003**

Attendance List:

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| 1) | Fred Pourki | Philadelphia International Airport |
| 2) | Josh Diamond | Greater Valley Forge TMA |
| 3) | John Bukowski | SEPTA |
| 4) | Karl Ziemer | Delaware River Port Authority |
| 5) | Shawn Jalosinski | City of Philadelphia- Streets Department |
| 6) | Richard Montanez | City of Philadelphia- Streets Department |
| 7) | Nelia Dyer | Montgomery County Planning Commission |
| 8) | Paul Lutz | PennDOT District 6 |
| 9) | Mark J. Smith | New Jersey DOT |
| 10) | Dave McCann | Delaware River Joint Toll Bridge Commission |
| 11) | Hugh Lynch | Philadelphia Highway Patrol |
| 12) | Al Kernagis | New Jersey State Police |
| 13) | Bruce Herbst | Burlington County Bridge Commission |
| 14) | Dennis Culnan | South Jersey Transportation Authority |
| 15) | Carmine Fiscina | Federal Highway Administration |
| 16) | Michael Roberson | Federal Highway Administration |
| 17) | Jessie Yung | Federal Highway Administration |
| 18) | Michael Pack | PennDOT |
| 19) | William Ragozine | Cross County Connection TMA |
| 20) | John Ward | DVRPC |
| 21) | Stan Platt | DVRPC |
| 22) | Chris King | DVRPC |
| 23) | Laurie Matkowski | DVRPC |
| 24) | Keith Hartington | DVRPC |