

February 3, 2015

MEMORANDUM #2015-18

TO: Hampton Roads Transportation Operations (HRTO) Members & Guests

BY: Robert B. Case, PE, PhD – Principal Transportation Engineer

RE: HRTO Subcommittee Meeting – February 10, 2015

An HRTO Subcommittee meeting will be held 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, February 10, 2015, Regional Boardroom, **Regional Building, 723 Woodlake Dr, Chesapeake, VA.**

The meeting will be conducted by Mike Corwin (VDOT), HRTO Co-Chair.

1. Public Comment Period

2. Summary Minutes of October 14, 2014 Meeting

Minutes of the previous HRTO meeting are attached.

Attachment 2

Recommended Action: Approval

3. HRTO Response to In-Season Review of Hurricane Evacuation Plans: WebEOC

9:30 a.m. – 9:55 a.m.

After a tabletop evacuation exercise in May, Governor McAuliffe said it is “clear and evident we can’t get folks out of the Hampton Roads region”, and he initiated an in-season review of evacuation plans to find ways to enhance them.

At the June 10 HRTO meeting, HRTO/TTAC representatives discussed the proposed 168/64/58 Southside Reversal and approved a motion requesting VDOT briefings at the next HRTPO and TTAC meetings.

At the June 19th HRTPO meeting, James Utterback (VDOT) presented the state’s in-season review plans.

At the August 12th HRTO meeting, Ms. Jackie Kassel (Newport News) led a discussion about using WebEOC software for communication between TOCs. Rob Case (HRTPO) agreed to prepare a list of operators’ names and phone numbers to be used by HRTO members in an emergency. (HRTPO staff transmitted that list on September 22nd and re-transmitted it [with corrections] on October 1st.)

At the October 14th HRTPO meeting, Dr. Rob Case (HRTPO) presented the Governors Report on VDEM's In-Season Hurricane Review, and also the 64/168/58 Southside Reversal. HRTPO asked for 1) a WebEOC presentation, and 2) VDOT and VDEM to discuss Virginia's review at its next meeting. (The latter is planned for the April HRTPO meeting.)

Ms. Andrea Gayer (HRPDC) will present WebEOC to HRTPO.

Recommended Action: per discussion

4. **Connected Vehicles**

9:55 a.m. – 10:25 a.m.

In November, TTAC Chair and ITSVA Director Mr. Bob Gey (Virginia Beach) contacted HRTPO staff concerning what the HRTPO might do to prepare for connected vehicles. Having met with Iteris—who is working on federal contracts for the deployment of connected vehicle technology—Bob recommended that the HRTPO invite Iteris for a briefing, after which the HRTPO might develop a plan for supporting this technology or request a demonstration project.

Mr. Glenn Havinoviski and Mr. David Register, both of Iteris, will brief HRTPO.

5. **Operations Strategy**

10:25 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Background:

- In January, the HRTPO Board allocated RSTP funds for an Operations Strategy (UPC 105492).
- At the June HRTPO meeting, Co-chair Mike Corwin (VDOT) offered to manage this project using one of VDOT's on-call consultants (Kimley-Horn, Atkins, URS, and VHB).
- At the August HRTPO meeting, Mr. Mike Corwin asked for comments on a draft RFQ for the four VDOT consultants.
- On September 11th, HRTPO staff transmitted the RFQ to the four and received qualifications from two (Kimley-Horn, Atkins) prior to the October 10th deadline.
- On November 6th, the Project Steering Team (PST) met and selected Atkins.
- On December 8th, HRTPO Co-Chairs Mike Corwin (VDOT) and Brian Fowler (Norfolk) met with Atkins to discuss Task #1.
- On January 13, the Co-Chairs received draft Task #1 scope and fee estimate.

Co-Chair Mike Corwin (VDOT) will provide an update and next steps.

6. Next Meeting Schedule, Location, and Agenda Items

The next HRT0 meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 14, 2014 from 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. (location TBD). Members wishing to host the meeting in their locality are requested to volunteer at this time.

A discussion by VDOT and VDEM of Virginia's recent review of hurricane plans is intended for the meeting.

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Attachments

HRT0 Subcommittee:

Darin Bracy, WATA
Alesia Cain, HRT
Kamlesh Chowdhary, HRT
Ken Coody, VDOT
Randy Cooper, NN
Michael A. Corwin, VDOT
Kevin Eppley, CH
Jeffrey Florin, VPA
Brian C. Fowler, NO
Steven Froncillo, CH
Franklin Hickman, VB
Jacqueline M. Kassel, NN

Stephen P. Kopczynski, YK
Robert E. Lewis, SU
Ric Lowman, VB
Tal Luton, JC
Oliver Rose, VDOT
Daniel A. Rydzewski, NO
W. Leon Sisco, WATA
Eric Stringfield, VDOT
Martin Willson, HA
James Wright, PO
John Yorks, HA

HRTO Invited Guests:

Joel Acree
Susan Baldwin, HRT
Jocelyn K. Bauer
R. Stephen Best, CH
Tim Breslin, CH
Chad Brooks
David Brown, VSP
Robert Buckham, VSP
Leah Bush, VDH
A. Call, HA
Jimmy Carter
Mecit Cetin, ODU
Jonathan Clark, Open Roads
Dwayne Cook, VDOT
Marc Copeland
Steven Cover, VB
Scott Cowherd, VDOT
Barbara Creel, WATA
Kevin Crum, SNJB
William P. Dent, WM Fire
Leon Dextradeur, VB
Doug Draper, CH
Martha Morecock Eddy, Timmons
Michael Felix, NO
Rusty Fitzhugh, VDOT
Eric Fly, Seamcorp
Robert K. Gey, VB
George Glazner, NN
James Gray, HA
Cynthia Hall, NO
John Hendrickson, PBQ&D
Steve Hetrick, AG
Jeffrey B. Holland, CBBTC

Robert T. Holloway, Jr., PQ
John Horner, Open Roads
Chuck Houck, NO
Amanda Jacobs, JC
Daniel E. Jenkins, FHWA
Alan Jensen, P.E., NAVY
John Kaoudis, NN
Raymond Khoury, VDOT
Charles Lavene, Norfolk Airport
Stephen D. Little, Transdyn
Glenn McBride, VDH
Jake McCoury, VSP
Ryan McLane, ERC
Mike Miller, VDOT
Joe Moore, NN
Jessie Neal, VDOT
Mark Outlaw, SU
Earnest Poole, VSP
Matthew Riethmiller
Iris Rodriguez, FHWA
Safety Officer, NN
Mark Sawyers
Mark Solesky, CH
James Stanek, VDOT
Gregory S. Staylor, CH
Chris Swartz, HA
Charles E. Vidrine, NAVY
Keith Whitley, VSP
Scott S. Williams, NN
Jeff Wise, NO
Nick Wooten, HA
Kevin Wyne, PQ

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Keith Nichols
Seth Schipinski
Camelia Ravanbakht

DRAFT Minutes of the October 14, 2014 HRTO Subcommittee Meeting

Sandy Bottom Nature Park, 1225 Big Bethel Road, Hampton, VA.

Attendees:

Kevin Eppley, Chesapeake
Robert Lewis, Suffolk
Jackie Kassel, Newport News
Martin Willson, Hampton
Keith Nichols, HRTPO
Rob Case, HRTPO
Mike Corwin, VDOT
Steve Hetrick, Albeck Gerken, Inc
Jon Chambers, Kimley-Horn
Brian Fowler, Norfolk
Mike Miller, VDOT
William Morgan, Virginia Beach
Franklin Hickman, Virginia Beach
Steve Kopczynski, York County Fire & Life Safety
Iris Rodriguez, FHWA
Ric Lowman, Virginia Beach

1. Public Comment Period

No comments.

2. Minutes of June 10, 2014 Meeting

No modifications of the minutes – Approved.

3. Operations Strategy

Brian Fowler (Norfolk) stated that two consultants (URS & VHB) declined to participate and two have responded (Kimley-Horn & Atkins). The Project Steering Team will be meeting after the HRTO meeting to discuss the two proposals.

4. In-Season Review of Hurricane Evacuation Plans; Southside Lane Reversal

Rob Case (HRTPO) presented the Governors Report on VDEM's In-Season Hurricane Review, and the 64/168/58 Southside Reversal. Rob led a discussion following the presentation.

- A WebEOC presentation is planned for the December 9th HRTO meeting.
 - Steve Kopczynski (York) mentioned that there are three versions of WebEOC: state, regional, and local.
 - Robert Lewis (Suffolk) plans to bring a WebEOC expert from Suffolk.
- Robert Lewis (Suffolk) suggested that HRTO update the emergency contact list prior to June 1st each year to prepare for hurricane season.
- Robert reiterated a need for VDOT (and VDEM) to brief his council on the proposed 168/64/58 Southside Reversal, and it may be possible to reduce the reversal's cost.
- Rob Case (HRTPO) said that the state's review recommended redefining evacuation zones so that the public will know what zone they are in, with the result that those who don't need to evacuate won't, and those who do need to, will.
- Jackie Kassel (Newport News) suggested that HRTO invite both VDOT and VDEM to discuss the state's review.
 - Rob Case suggested John Scrivani from VDOT.
 - Chief Kopczynski (York) suggested Jeff Stern from VDEM, and also inviting emergency managers from the localities.
 - Mike Corwin (VDOT) asked Iris Rodriguez (FHWA) if FHWA had an appropriate representative for this topic. If so, please reach out and contact them.
 - Robert Lewis suggested that HRTO ask the state what it can do to help.
 - Brian Fowler (Norfolk) agreed that bringing them in would be great.
 - Jackie suggested bringing in our Emergency EOC'S/personnel as well.

5. Revisiting "Triumphs and Trials"

This topic was postponed to another meeting.

6. Next Meeting Schedule, Location, and Agenda Items

The next HRTO meeting is scheduled for December 9, 2014 from 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. (Regional Building, Chesapeake).