

DELAWARE VALLEY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

ITS Technical Task Force Meeting Minutes December 15, 2000

The following are highlights from the meeting of the ITS Technical Task Force held on December 15, 2000. The meeting was held at Pennsylvania Department of Transportation District-6 in King of Prussia. A list of attendees is attached.

Agenda Item #1: Welcome and Individual Updates

- ▶ The minutes from the October 24, 2000 meeting were approved.
- ▶ Each person in attendance introduced themselves and added any relevant ITS update from their agency.
- ▶ DVRPC has just finished their first draft of the Regional ITS Architecture and it is currently under internal review. Copies will be available shortly upon request.
- ▶ As part of its Institutional Coordination of ITS in the Delaware Valley, DVRPC recently published the Coordination Scenarios White Paper. This document examines scenarios for institutional coordination. A third document, currently being printed is the Prototype Freeway Corridor Incident Management Report for the I-76 / I-476 Corridor Area.
- ▶ DVRPC is also creating an ITS Contact list for distribution among Technical Task Force members.

Agenda Item #2: Traffic.com- Deployment in the Philadelphia Region

- ▶ Traffic.com has been given the go ahead by the Federal Highway Administration to begin their deployment project in the Philadelphia Area.
- ▶ Presenters from Federal Highway, PennDOT, and Traffic.com gave a detailed presentation about the project and its status in the Pittsburgh area. Traffic.com provides real-time and archived information available for planning and assessment.
- ▶ The data is collected using the Traffic Pulse Digital Sensor Network, and information on

travel times, speeds, and volumes are updated on the internet every 60 seconds. The information is collected 24 hours a day while past data is stored for future analysis and planning.

- ▶ Their services include infrastructure management, data collection and management, data processing and storage, and data dissemination. Their information is available to consumers, government partners, and businesses at low or no cost through a variety of ATIS products.
- ▶ There was also much attention given to the Sensor Site Selection Process. The first step is to identify existing ITS in the region and to plan future ITS in coordination with the regional system architecture. The next step is to select key corridors within the region. For now, only expressway corridors are under consideration.
- ▶ Traffic.com's will meet with interested stakeholders to discuss the location of sensors. Agencies are also interested in how sensors can be used in response to incident management. The Task Force agreed to set up a subcommittee to meet separately to discuss these issues. Interested agencies should contact Traffic.com directly to determine a convenient time to schedule a meeting. An update of these proceedings will be available at the next Task Force meeting.

Agenda Item #3: ITS Service Plan

- ▶ Steve Bergman, FHWA, gave a brief presentation on the Philadelphia Area ITS Service Plan for 2001. The region received \$40,000, the most of any region nationally. The money will be used to promote regional cooperation, promote interoperability, and increase stakeholder awareness. Several National Highway Courses, including Incident Management and ITS Standards, will be funded from the Service Plan.

Agenda Item #4: Other Business

- ▶ The next meeting has been scheduled for January 26, 2001 at 9:30 am at the DVRPC Conference Room.

Agenda Item #5: Tour of PennDOT's Traffic Control Center

- ▶ Karl Ziemer, PennDOT, provided the Technical Task Force with a tour of the PennDOT Traffic Control Center. The traffic monitoring system has greatly helped in detecting incidents where cameras have been installed. PennDOT is hopeful to have their cameras monitored 24 hours a day in the near future.

**ITS Technical Task Force Meeting
December 15, 2000**

Attendance List:

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| 1) Anthony Marino | South Jersey Transportation Authority |
| 2) Bob Pento | PennDOT- BHSTE |
| 3) Karen Jehanian | Traffic.com |
| 4) Steve Bergman | FHWA- PA |
| 5) Steve Clinger | FHWA- Eastern Resource Center |
| 6) Richard Montanez | City of Philadelphia- Streets Department |
| 7) Dennis Starr | PennDOT |
| 8) Tim Stevenson | PennDOT |
| 9) Brenda Murphy | PennDOT |
| 10) Karl Ziemer | PennDOT Traffic Control Center |
| 11) Frank DiJoseph | PennDOT Traffic Control Center |
| 12) Jay Ruit | Edwards and Kelcey |
| 13) Hugh Lynch | Philadelphia Highway Patrol |
| 14) John Bukowski | SEPTA |
| 15) Bruce McKenzie | SEPTA |
| 16) Walt Green | PA Turnpike Commission |
| 17) Bill Ragozine | Cross County Connection TMA |
| 18) Charles A. Stracciolini | Traffic.com |
| 19) Steve Fleischut | Applied Research Lab- Penn State University |
| 20) Lou Belmonte | PennDOT Traffic District -6 |
| 21) William Mead | Gloucester County Planning |
| 22) Jeanne Shreve | Greater Mercer TMA |
| 23) Rich Marrwith | Traffic.com |
| 24) Charles Trainor | Philadelphia Streets Dept.- Traffic |
| 25) Leon Maglowski | PA Motor Truck Association |
| 26) Sylvester Pamplin | Philadelphia Fire Department |
| 27) Jim Hilbert | SmarTraveler |
| 28) Nick Bowden | Delaware River Joint Toll Bridge Commission |
| 29) Terri Johnson | Traffic.com |
| 30) Scott Perley | Traffic.com |
| 31) Daniel Morocco | New Jersey State Police |
| 32) Mark Cassel | TMA of Chester County |
| 33) Mike Pote | New Jersey Transit |
| 34) George G. Alexandridis | Delaware River Joint Toll Bridge Commission |
| 35) Robert Only | Delaware River Port Authority |
| 36) Chung Eng | FHWA |
| 37) Robert Hannigan | PennDOT |

38) Sasha Harding	Burlington County Bridge Commission
39) Tom Fuca	NJDOT
40) Shawn Jalosinski	City of Philadelphia- Streets Department
41) Susan Simkus	Montgomery County Planning Commission
42) Jim Hogan	NJDOT
43) Sgt. Ellsworth Coley	PA State Police
44) Carmine Fiscina	US DOT- FHWA- Philadelphia
45) Gina Holmes	DRPA
46) Paul Truban	NJDOT
47) Bill Roper	Delaware River Joint Toll Bridge Commission
48) Don Shanis	DVRPC
49) John Ward	DVRPC
50) Stan Platt	DVRPC
51) John Burger	DVRPC
52) Chris King	DVRPC
53) Laurie Matkowski	DVRPC
54) Keith Hartington	DVRPC