

# National Unified Goal And TIM Resources

For Traffic Incident Management

Working Together for Improved Safety, Clearance and Communications

#### INTRODUCTION

- □ NTIMC
- NUG
- Where we are now
- □ How CT Fits In
- □ Resources

#### WHAT IS THE NTIMC?

- An organization of organizations
- □ Founded in 2004
- Multi-disciplinary partnership forum
- Coordinates experiences, knowledge, practices, and ideas.

## WHAT ARE THE NTIMC OBJECTIVES?

- Enhance the safety of on-scene responders and of motorists passing or approaching a roadway incident.
- ☐ Strengthen services to incident victims and to stranded motorists.
- Reduce incident delay and costs to the traveling public and commercial carriers.

### NTIMC MISSION, VISION, GOALS

- Mission: linking public safety and transportation to advance TIM
- Vision: lead & support a network of TIM programs
- ☐ Goals:
  - Promote/support TIM programs
  - Develop/recommend research
  - Develop delivery mechanism for products

### NTIMC MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS

- Transportation (AASHTO, ATA/ATRI, ATSSA, FHWA, ITE, ITSA, I-95 CC, TRB, AMPO)
- Fire & Rescue (Emergency Responder Safety Institute, IAFC, IAFF, IFSTA, NFPA, NVFC, USFA)
- Emergency Medical Services (NASEMSO)
- Public Safety Communications (APCO, NENA)
- Towing & Recovery (TRAA, AAA)
- Law Enforcement (IACP)



## What is the **National Unified Goal** For Traffic Incident Management?

The Traffic Incident Management National Unified GOAL is:

- □ Responder Safety;
- □ Safe, Quick Clearance;
- Prompt, Reliable, Interoperable
   Communications.

## What is the **National Unified Goal** For Traffic Incident Management?

- Unified national policy developed by major national organizations representing traffic incident responders
- Not mandatory instead encourages State and local transportation and public safety agencies to adopt unified, multi-disciplinary policies, procedures, and practices
- Does not address funding; it describes what we need to do to improve traffic incident management.

## HOW TO ACHIEVE THE NUG?

NTIMC will achieve the three major objectives of the National Unified Goal by implementing 18 strategies.

Some of the major strategies include:

- Recommended practices for multidisciplinary TIM operations and communications;
- Multidisciplinary TIM training;
- Goals for performance and progress;
- Promotion of beneficial technologies; and
- Partnerships to promote driver awareness.

### Responder Safety

- Responder deaths and injuries are an increasing concern.
  - >300 law enforcement officers die in vehicle incidents each year.
  - >20% annual firefighter deaths occur on roadways.
  - □ 5 towing industry struck-by deaths in first 3 months of 2006.



### Responder Safety

NUG Strategies for promoting Responder Safety are:

- Recommended Practices for Responder Safety;
- Move Over / Slow Down Laws; and
- Driver Training and Awareness.

## Safe, Quick Clearance

- Non-recurring traffic incidents account for onefourth of congestion and delay.
- 1 minute of Interstate lane blockage = 4 minutes of delay.
- TIM promotes quicker clearance, but not at the expense of responder safety, or of achievement of the missions of all responders.



## Safe, Quick Clearance

NUG Strategies for promoting Safe, Quick Clearance are:

- Multidisciplinary TIM Procedures;
- Response and Clearance Time Goals; and
- 24 / 7 Availability.



## Prompt, Reliable, Interoperable Communications

Improving incident communications is essential to achieving other goals.

Because incident communications is both important and complex, it is highlighted as the third NUG objective.



## Prompt, Reliable, Interoperable Communications

- NUG Strategies for promoting Prompt, Reliable, Interoperable Communications are:
- Multidisciplinary
   Communications
   Practices and Protocols
- Prompt, ReliableResponder Notification
- Interoperable Voice and Data Networks

- Broadband Emergency CommunicationsSystems
- Prompt, ReliableTraveler InformationSystems
- Partnerships with News Media and Information Providers

### 6 NUG Cross-Cutting Strategies

- 6 NUG Strategies are cross-cutting. These strategies are the foundation for achieving all 3 major objectives of the NUG.
- □ TIM Parterships and Programs
- Multidisciplinary NIMS and TIM Training
- Goals for Performance and Progress
- □ TIM Technology
- Effective TIM Policies
- Awareness and Education Partnerships

### 18 STRATEGIES

TIM Partnerships and Programs	Recommended Practices for Responder Safety	Multidisciplinary Communications Practices and Procedures
Multidisciplinary NIMS and TIM Training	Move Over/Slow Down Laws	Prompt, Reliable Responder Notification
Goals for Performance and Progress	Driver Training and Awareness	Interoperable Voice and Data Networks
TIM Technology	Multidisciplinary TIM Procedures	Broadband Emergency Communications Systems
Effective TIM Policies	Response and Clearance Time Goals	Prompt, Reliable Traveler Information Systems
Awareness and Education Partnerships	24/7 Availability	Partnerships with News Media and Information Providers

#### NUG TIME LINE

- 2002 First National TIM Conference
- 2004 National TIM Coalition Formed
- 2005 International TIM Scan Tour
- 2006 National Unified Goal Workshop
- 2007 NUG Adoption
- 2009 NTIMC Strategic Plan
- 2010 National TIM Network
- 2010 National NUG Summit

#### NTIMC & NUG SUCCESSES

- Lane designation
- Example Strategies for Building Stronger State TIM Programs
- Public Safety Vest
- ☐ TIM Network
- □ NG911 workshop
- NTIMC Website
- Multidisciplinary Core Competencies
- NUG

#### HOW CONNECTICUT FITS IN

- Great history in CT Regarding TIM

  - □ Towing
  - Pre-planning
  - Multi-agency Coordination
  - ☐ FHWA TIM Performance Measures Focus States
    Initiative
  - ☐ I 95 Fire
- NUG offers additional resources and opportunities for success
  - ☐ The platform relates to recent successes (snow storms and Hurricane Irene

### RESOURCES OF NTIMC MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS

- State and Local TIM Activities
- Service Patrol Resources
- Standard Operating Procedures and Guidelines
- Traffic Control Resources
- Towing Resources
- Safe, Quick Clearance Resources
- Training Resources
- TIM Core Competencies
- State and Local Training
- TIM Program Management Resources
- Move Over Laws
- Move it, Quick Clearance, and Vehicle removal laws and Policies

## NTIMC PRODUCTS AND PUBLICATIONS

- Multidisciplinary Core Competencies
- Technical Briefs on Traffic Incident Management Topics
- Lane Designation Terminology
- Benefits of Traffic Incident Management
- Prompt, Reliable Incident Communications
- Responder Safety
- Safe, Quick Clearance
- Example Strategies for Building Stronger State TIM Programs
- National Unified Goal Outreach Materials
  - □ NUG Trifold Brochure, Bookmark, Summaries, FAQ

## QUESTIONS



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