

ITRCC Minutes
August 20, 2007

Attending: John Werthwein-IDOT/DTS, Dan Mueller-AOIC, James Hall-UIS, Jacque Gartshore-AOIC, Craig Cassem-Grundy County Highway, Janet Stout-IDOT/BIP, Mary Collins-IDOT/BIP, Joyce Schroeder-IDOT/DTS, Susan Fitzpatrick-IDOT/DTS, Kris Minor-SOS, Dan Leonard-EMSC, Mike Stout-IDOT/DTS, Mike Staggs-FHWA, Dan Pippin-IDPH, Jessica Baker-IDOT/DTS, Karen Magee-IDOT/DTS, Sandy Klein-IDOT/DTS, Norm Stone-FHWA, Sherri Akers-ISP, Kris Boyer-IDOT/DTS, Liz Buck-Peoria PD, Mehdi Nassirpour-IDOT/DTS)

Conference call: Dan Lee-IDPH, John Benda-Toll Highway, Donna Smith-NHTSA, Abraham Emmanuel-CMMC, Kristin Grove, Jim Lambski-CDOT, Rose-CDOT

Mike Stout opened the meeting. John Werthwein approved the minutes and Jim Hall seconded.

The 408 application was sent. Mike thanked the participants for their efforts. Donna said the results will be coming soon.

Janet Stout from IDOT/DTS gave an update on the Safety Data Mart. She reported there are 100 registered users with access to the internal share point site. Iteration 1 has been completed. There are 7 Interactive formatted reports defined by DTS. The Internal Ad-hoc reporting tool with access to the internal access via SharePoint is available to power users. To request access you must submit a BIP Action Request through the IDOT internet which will be routed to Crash Information Section for approval and security designation. The External web site allows access to 5 interactive formatted reports as defined by DTS. There are 51 registered users. To request access users must contact DTS Crash Information Section. Janet also reported that minimal minor enhances are on-going as well as developing additional internal report as defined by DTS. Future development planned—no target dates at this time due to development of construction which was released to User Acceptance Testing and finance Data Marts (which is a development in progress) as part of the Enterprise Data Warehouse initiative.

Mike Staggs asked who the 51 registered users included. Janet replied it includes county engineers and FHWA. Mary Ann Paulis will get the listing for him.

Donna has tried to use the Safety Data Mart. Craig Cassem reported that he has used it. Mehdi asked about access to the 7 reports—Janet replied that 5 of them have a different security access. Mike Staggs inquired about the availability of more reports for external users. Crash Information Section is responsible for the release—Mike added that it would help if there were more accessibility.

Jim Garceau gave a brief update on MCR. Development team is back to work. They lost a couple weeks due to contract issues and the team is smaller now as they lost a couple people. Development and unit test of version 2 client is complete and the team is now doing system/integration testing. They need new production servers up and running. CMS is meeting today to get a list of tasks they must complete and a timeline and the development team is doing likewise for application level tasks. Looking to get new MCR framework ('skeleton' test) out to test machines. They can't run over century network unless workstations have XP service pack 2 loaded (should have been rolled

out to DTS last Friday). Also, can't run over IWIN because there are connectivity issues with our IWIN test server (mcrbridge2)--no internet connectivity in test

Mehdi updated the committee on the CODES project. There will be a CODES committee meeting this afternoon from 1:00PM – 3:00 PM. He shared a brief summary of the findings with the committee members and urged them to attend the CODES Advisory Group meeting in the afternoon. For more information on the presentation in the afternoon, he referred to the CODES website at <http://www.dot.il.gov/trafficsafety/IRTCC.html>.

Mike Stout thanked John Werthwein and Lori Midden for their work on preparing the Section 408 Grant Application. John then reviewed the application. He has prepared copies of the application as well as updates to the application for each committee member. Those are not in attendance will be mailed copies. John explained that he has updated the NHTSA DTS inventory which has not been reviewed in some time. He asked that member review the copy of the inventory and send updates to him.

John explained that the questions from the NHTSA review team were basically about the TRCC which were answered in questions 1 and 2 of the application regarding the Charter and MOU.

John asked for input on deciding the funding allocation if we do not receive the total requested amount. This will be a decision from the TRCC committee. John will send out information regarding the grant award prior to the October 15 TRCC meeting and the decisions will be decided at that meeting. Lori and John are already preparing a timeline for next year. Lori will coordinate the updates.

John reminded committee to review the documents and send comments to him. Dan Lee will need to update NEMSIS by the December 17th meeting as the applications should be started in January. John reminded committed of the need to update funded project for next year. An example he presented: Safety data warehouse need to be updated by February.

Mehdi discussed the importance of specific goals and objectives of each proposed projects and mentioned that we need to do a better job in developing performance measures for multiple years.

Human Factor Sub-committee Report

On behalf of Sandy Klein, chairman of the Human Factors Sub-committee, Mehdi discussed two issues, namely Traffic Safety Quick Facts, and Citation Tracking Project with ISP. He mentioned that the quick fact sheets are being updated using the current crash data. These fact sheets were funded and developed by: Illinois Department of Transportation, (Division of Traffic Safety), Illinois EMSC (a coalition program between the Illinois Department of Public Health and Loyola University medical center) and the CADE Group at the University of Illinois at Chicago. Mehdi showed a sample of the fact sheets to the attendees. Per Mike Stout's request, we were asked to provide a web-address for these reports. The web address for these reports is <http://www.dot.il.gov/trafficsafety/quickfacts.html>.

Mehdi also discussed the new project entitled "Citation Tracking System" that he had been working with Sherri Akers and Fran Schnorf at ISP. Per NHTSA's request, he is

interested in knowing the final court dispositions on all traffic citations issued through the hire-back funds (ACME, DUIE, OREP, SPED, sSTEP) provided by IDOT/NHTSA. According to Fran, there were over 89,000 citations issued by ISP through hire-back funding in State Fiscal Year 2006. For this small scale study, we are planning to sample about 900-1000 citations stratified by program type (ACME, DUIE, OREP, SPED, sSTEP). Then, this sample needs to be matched against the entire ISP citation database in order to identify individuals and their final court dispositions (dismissal, supervision, conviction, and other).

There was no report from Information Systems or Engineering Factors.

Mary Ann Paulis reported that the Data Quality Subcommittee met at 8:15 am this morning--just prior to the 9:00 am TRCC meeting).

Synopsis (below) of the IDPH project was provided by Victoria Williams:

The IL Dept. of Public Health has been working with their chosen vendor (Netsmart) to develop and implement an Electronic Death Registration System (EDRS). The contract with the vendor was signed in February, and the department and the vendor have made great strides over the past 6 months, with the goal of implementation of EDRS to pilot counties on 1/1/2008. After successful pilot implementation, plans are to roll out EDRS to the rest of IL during the remainder of 2008. Some of the external users of the EDRS will be funeral directors, coroners/medical examiners, local registrars, county clerks, and hospitals.

IDPH will have the ability to create reports and files (exports) for approved external data users, such as IDOT

Mary Ann distributed the proposed MMUCC revisions to DQ subcommittee members for their review.

Lou Humphrey presented the proposed SR1050 crash form revisions.

Sherri Akers suggested that ISP could send a short message about the importance of crash data out to ISP sworn via IWIN. (Note: A message was drafted and sent to Sherri).

Lori Midden provided an overview of crash report data edits and of the current Data Quality process/reports.

Areas represented: Trauma Injury Registry (IDPH); Emergency Medical Services Database (IDPH); Data Capture (Carbondale, Peoria, & State Police); Crash Information System (IDOT); Vital Records (IDPH); Vehicle/Drivers Records (SOS); and Data Analysis/Reporting (IDOT & FHWA).

Sub-Committee Goal: Ensure that complete, accurate and timely traffic safety data are collected, analyzed and made available for decision-making to reduce crashes, deaths and injuries on Illinois' highways.

Mike Stout repeated that everyone will be contacted before the October meeting with the funding results and reminded them to pick up their copies of the signed Charter/MOU as well as the copies of their grant applications.

The meeting adjourned at 9:45 am. Next meeting will be October 15 at 9:00 am.