Illinois Traffic Records Coordinating Committee Minutes
October 24, 2017

TRCC Attendees	
Priscilla Tobias, Mehdi Nassirpour, Rick Ingold, Bill Morgan, Jenni Leseure, Sharon Kelly, Katherine Beckett, , Dan Mlacnik, Jonathan Lloyd, Juan Pava, Mark Blankenship	IDOT
Michael Richey, Steve Jenkins, John Clifford	SOS
Tom Casson	Menard Co. Highway Dept./IACE
Adelisa Orantia	Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH)
Stephen Laffey	Illinois Commerce Commission
Lyn Warren	NHTSA
Alan Ho, Robin Helmrichs	FHWA
Ruth Kafensztok	EMSC - Loyola
Kim Kolody	CH2M Hill
Yenfeng Ouyang	University of Illinois in Champaign/Urbana

Welcome/ Introduction

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM by Mehdi Nassirpour. He welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked everyone to introduce themselves. He then asked everyone to review and approve the minutes. Motion was made by Mehdi and seconded by Rick Ingold to approve minutes from July 31, 2017 meeting.

Brief Report from NHTSA and FHWA

Lyn Warren from NHTSA, Region V, discussed the 5th Edition of Minimum Model Uniform Crash Criteria (MMUCC) and said that the states that wish to request mapping their crash reports and crash data to the 5th Edition of MMUCC, need to complete a technical assistance application and submit it to NHTSA by the closing date of October 26, 2017. She also talked about the importance of getting a traffic records coordinator on IDOT staff.

Alan Ho from FHWA mentioned that Greg Piland had been deployed to support state, local and tribal relief efforts from hurricanes Irma, Harvey, and Maria.

New Business (Status Report on the following Items)

Priscilla provided an update on the Strategic Highway Safety Plan (SHSP) and Highway Safety Plan (HSP). She shared an updated version of the SHSP, mainly two sections of the plan, namely Executive Summary and Information System. She mentioned that the plan had been reviewed and approved by FHWA. For additional information on the updates refer to IDOT website at: http://www.idot.illinois.gov/Assets/uploads/files/Transportation-System/Reports/Safety/SHSP/SHSP_2017.pdf.

She also reported that that the Traffic Records Strategic Plan (TRSP) was revised and submitted to NHTSA for final review and approval. Jessica Keldermans commented on the Information System section of the SHSP and said that he External safety Data Mart was no longer available for the public.

FY 2018 and 2019 TRCC Grant Applications

Mehdi reported that all seven TRCC applications for 2018 and 2019 were approved for funding. The Crash Injury Surveillance project from the Loyola University was withdrawn due to the changes in staff; most notably, the data systems manager has left and the coordinator of our Illinois Emergency Medical Services for Children (EMSC) program is relocating to another institution.

Adelisa Orantia (IDPH) asked if some written notification could be sent from IDOT on the approval of all TRCC grants. Rick Ingold will follow up on that.

Update on Roadway Data Improvement Program (RDIP)

Mehdi reported FHWA has selected VHB as the RDIP contractor. We should hear from both FHWA and VHB staff soon. Illinois will be the first state that will go through the RDIP process sometime.

Heat Map for Law Enforcement Agencies

Mehdi spoke about the heat maps. A sample copy of heat maps was passed around to attendees. Rick shared that there was positive feedback from the grantee meetings on the heat maps. Mehdi will send an electronic copy of the Heat Maps to Jessica Keldermans to post on the IDOT's Safety Portal website.

Implementation of SafetyAnalyst Software

Mehdi reported IDOT is in a process of implementing the SafetyAnalyst package in Illinois. The American Association of State Highway Transportation (AASHTO) SafetyAnalyst software has been used by several state and local highway agencies for their highway safety management. IDOT plans to have a training session on the SafetyAnalyst package sometime in 3rd week of January 2018. Priscilla mentioned that we also needed to ask **Dereck Troyer** from Ohio to come to Illinois to share his experience using the safetyAnalyst software in Ohio.

New Crash Report Form Rewrite

Jessica updated the progress on developing the new crash report form rewrite. It has everyone's approval and her office will be starting the process of printing. Jessica also reported that the 2016 crash data would be available at the end November or beginning of December 2017.

Legislation on the Crash Data Release

Mehdi reported a Senate Bill 1580 (Public Act 100-0096) was passed on August 11, 2017 to release crash data to the public, sell crash data, and charge the data requester. Jennifer Kuntz is the chair of the committee that examines this issue. The committee has been working on this for the last two months to develop data release policy to the public. For additional information on the legislation refer to the original legislation at: http://www.ilga.gov/legislation/publicacts/fulltext.asp?Name=100-0096&GA=100

New NOFO Laptop Grant

Jessica Keldermans reported that the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) applications are being taken for funding opportunity for law enforcement agencies to purchase laptops for their squad cars for the purpose of collecting and submitting crash reports electronically.

Brief Report on the Current 408/405 C Grants:

Crash Outcome Data Evaluation System (CODES): Bureau Safety Programs and Engineering--We are in a process of establishing this position at IDOT.

Illinois Traffic Records Coordinator Position: Bureau Safety Programs and Engineering--We are in a process of establishing this position at IDOT.

Data Analysis / Data Reporting of Statewide Databases: Ruth Kafensztok from Loyola University reported the web-based Reporting System (http://app.idph.state.il.us/emsrpt/) that houses four statewide databases for public access. The 2015 crash data were prepared and successfully checked with IDOT's Crash Facts. When this preparation was completed, we uploaded three statewide datasets to IDPH for placement on the production server for the system. These were the mortality data for 2008-2014, inpatient data for 2015, and crash data for 2015. When IDPH completes its tests and uploads, all of these data sets will be available for public access.
Separately, the set of 11 "quick fact" reports were prepared for the 2015 crash data. These reports were placed online on the EMSC web site (http://ssom.luc.edu/emergency-medicine/children/data/illinoiscrashinformation/2015idotquickfacts/) and sent to IDOT.

Imaging Enhancement: Illinois Secretary of State: Steve Jenkins reported that the SOS staff handled 977 crash cases and handled 1400 calls.

Data Warehouse: Illinois Secretary of State: No report on this project. Gary Dameron, project manager was unable to attend the meeting.

New Chicago DOT/CPD Project: Jessica reported that CDOT/CPD grant is going well. OEMC is moving right along with adding PDT laptops to the mobile units. Currently all the districts' mobile units are electronically reporting their crashes. CPD's Research & Development office sent out the orders to those districts for the officers to start using the electronic system instead of paper. As of October 12, IDOT has received a total of 113,527 crash reports electronically

The meeting was adjourned at 11:05AM

The next meeting will be on January 16, 2018.