ILLINOIS TRAFFIC RECORDS COORDINATING COMMITTEE

Quarterly Meeting Agenda
April 20, 2021 9:00 am to 11:00 am

- Opening Remarks/Welcome **9:00-9:02**
- Introductions **9:02-9:14**
- Old Business **9:14-9:15**
- TRCC Organization Update – Janel Veile **9:15-9:16**
  - Janel stated that efforts are underway to post the IDOT Traffic Records Coordinator position
- Comments from NHTSA – Martin Broyles **9:16**
  - Martin provided a brief discussion on the development of the strategic plan and the requirements to receive 405c grant money
- Comments from FHWA – Alan Ho **9:16-9:18**
  - Alan stated that the 2019 safety performance targets were not met, and Illinois is under penalty. He did express that we have another round coming up, and that we can adjust our target accordingly. He also noted that the members of the 2018 Roadway Data Improvement Program (RDIP) assessment are seeking feedback from IDOT and TRCC members on what recommendations were accomplished from the assessment.
- Comments from FMCSA – Dan Meyer
  - No comments from Dan were given, perhaps due to technical issues

- Guest Presenter – Andi Bill, Wisconsin TRCC Co-Chair **9:18-9:27**
  - AAMVA State-to-State (S2S) Driver History Records (DHR)
    - Driver verification system
  - Andi talked about possibly implementing a pilot project between Illinois and Wisconsin. This project would be a State-to-State (S2S) driver history record verification system that would help communicate driver history between states, mainly for non-CDL citations. This effort will help the states move away from manual processing and manual review, while increasing accuracy, timeliness and fraud detection. Donna Cooper and Andy Simmons confirmed that Illinois will be participating in S2S beginning in November 2021. Stress testing of the Illinois S2S system will occur July-August 2021. Andi Bill talked about waiting to implement the project with Illinois in order to increase

their performance measures on their assessment. Laura VandeHey added that they thought it was a great program, but it is a little soon to implement it. Michigan is another potential partner in this program. Andi expressed that this would be a good program to help improve traffic records across state lines and that this would be a good way to reduce manual processing. Janel said she would share this proposal with the TRCC committee via the TRCC website or email.

- 2020 Assessment Update regarding TRCC Strategic Plan – Janel Veile & Mitchell Gaffney **9:33-9:43**
    - Mitchell gave a presentation on strategic plan development, as well as NHTSA GO Teams. A committee vote was taken on the decision to move forward with the request for NHTSA GO Teams request for assistance with the development of the Strategic Plan. There were no objections to applying for NHTSA GO Teams assistance. More information on NHTSA Go Teams can be found at NHTSA Go Teams pdf. The presentation will be posted on the TRCC website.
- Status of AASHTOware Safety – Janel Veile **9:43-9:44**
    - Janel stated that the implementation of safety analyst software is still being explored by IDOT's Bureau of Information Processing (BIP). More information will be shared on this topic in the next meeting.
- Visiting Research Specialist ILLAPS and IDOT-IDPH Data Linkage project – Jennifer Martin **9:27-9:33**
    - Jennifer shared that the Visiting Research Specialist position has now been filled by Mickey Edwards, Ph.D. This topic will be removed from further TRCC meeting agendas.
    - Dan Leonard discussed the success of the IDOT-IDPH Data Linkage Project. Dan noted that the project includes several years of pedestrian/pedalcyclist data, and crash/hospital data. This data will be ready next month.
    - Mickey Edwards talked about potential outcomes of the data linkage project. Mickey discussed research that indicates people of lower socio-economic status who are involved in crashes may be unreported/under-reported. The ability to link the individual to crashes with the linkage project would be very beneficial. Mickey has submitted an abstract for the Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning (ACSP) Annual conference entitled, *Are Pedestrian and Cycling Injuries Under-Reported in Disadvantaged Communities? Evidence from an Illinois Data Linkage Project*. Janel will share the abstract with the TRCC.
- SPR Projects Report – Janel Veile **9:44-9:45**

    - Janel noted that Director Holly Bienemann had stated at the last TRCC Meeting that the SPR funding had been placed on hold. This is the current status as well.
- 405c Current and Future/405c funding discussion for 2022 –Adam Gabany **9:45-9:58**
    - Adam gave a short overview of the purpose of the 405c funds and stated that only traffic records projects can be funded with 405c.
    - Illinois has a balance of 405c funds due to the lack of requests being submitted for 405c funds. Illinois currently has 5.8 million dollars in 405c, and typically receives 1.5 million each year.
    - The funds must be used within four (4) years of receipt, unless they are earmarked for a project which then allows for a five (5) distribution. As can be determined by the current balance, Illinois currently has a lot of rollover in these funds.
    - Janel suggested that since we have such a surplus, and not enough applicants for these funds, perhaps we try to spend down what we have now instead of applying for more funds this year.
    - Jennifer Martin asked if it would make it harder to apply in future years, and Adam answered that it would not make it harder to apply in later years.
    - There was opposition to not applying for funds, so this was postponed until next meeting for more clarification on some details. Parry Frank thought that we should apply for funds and wanted to know if the funds can be used to enhance the data needed to apply for federal funding projects (i.e. locations of driveways).
    - Adam and Martin talked about specifications in terms of funding using the 405c grant money. The project must identify a safety problem and must be able to provide a before and after performance measurement (An improvement to a state data system needs to be able to be shown.)
- Crash Update – Jessica Keldermans **9:58-10:02**
    - Jessica stated that the 2019 crash data has been finalized. The 2020 data has also been finished, but still needs to be reviewed before it is finalized. 2021 data is currently being worked on, which puts us back on track in terms of data entry. She will let us know when the 2020 data is finalized. She also stated that we are at 90% for electronic crash reporting.
- Roadway Update – Bill Morgan **10:02-10:06**
    - Bill updated the TRCC on Illinois' FHWA submittal of pavement data (HPMS) and bridge data (NBI).

        - All pavement data has been uploaded to FHWA, but only Interstate was submitted on 4/15. Non-Interstate National Highway System (NHS) will be submitted within the next two weeks.
        - Bridge Performance measures are gradually improving for poor structures as it has decreased to 13.2% based on our preliminary calculation. This is still above the 10% poor threshold which means Illinois remains in the penalty for structures.
            - FHWA should publish official numbers for pavements and bridges in the fall.
    - All Annual reports (i.e. Illinois Travel Statistics) are being worked on and will be published to the internet within the next week. The 2020 GIS Shapefiles have been pushed out to the internet and are available for download. Bill noted that the 2020 VMT indicates a 13% decrease dropping us to our 1995 VMT levels.
    - The Department has made our IROADS application available externally. https://webapps.dot.illinois.gov/IROADS/ The application has several different layers that can be reviewed including MYP, Annual Program, Functional Class, Jurisdiction, NHS, etc.
- Current Project Updates **10:06-10:09**
    - Trauma Registry Update – Adelisa Orantia
        - Adelisa updated the committee on the Trauma registry update and stated that there were still some issues that needed to be addressed due to the vendor merging with a new company.
    - Data Warehouse Update - Andy Simmons
        - Sree Govindan updated the committee on the data warehouse project and reported that there will be more information to come in the next meeting. Sree noted that this is no longer being called Data Warehouse Project but is now referred to as the Data Linkage Project

- Open Discussion **10:09-10:12**
    - Mickey asked a little more about the VMT data
    - Bill provided the VMT data link for anyone interested
    - Meeting minutes, presentations and any links will be shared with anyone interested.
- Future Meetings:
  Tuesday, June 1 from 9:00 am-11:00 am
  Tuesday, August 10 from 9:00 am-11:00 am

- Adjourn **10:15**