



**MINUTES OF MEETING**  
**Eastern Sussex County TMT Meeting**  
**October 12, 2005**  
**Lewes Fire Company**



**Meeting Date:** October 12, 2005  
**Location:** Lewes Fire Company  
**Purpose:** Eastern Sussex County Transportation Management Team (TMT) Meeting

**List of Committee Members and Meeting Attendees:**

First Name	Last Name	Agency	Email
Jim	Clacher	DelDOT/TMC	jim.clacher@state.de.us
Mike	Domboski	Edwards and Kelcey	mdboski@ekmail.com
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Jim	Strickland	DEMA	jim.strickland@state.de.us
Colette	Sutherland	Fenwick Island Police	csutherland@fenwickislandpd.state.de.us
Regis	Wagner	Edwards and Kelcey	rwagner@ekmail.com

**Handouts provided during the meeting:**

- Eastern Sussex County TMT Action Item List
- Statewide TMT Action Item List
- CSC/ESC Joint Meeting Minutes - September 21, 2005
- I-95 Corridor Coalition – Quick Clearance and ‘Move It’ Best Practices Executive Summary
- Sussex County Evacuation Routes and Shelters Map
- ACE – Sussex County Inundation Map
- Evacuation Route Intersection Diagrams
  - SR1 and DE30
  - SR1 and DE5
  - SR1 and DE16
  - SR1 and US9
  - SR1 and DE24
  - SR1 and DE26
  - SR1 and DE54
- Sussex County Signals and CCTV Map (with evacuation routes)

**I. Opening Remarks**

Mike Domboski (Edwards and Kelcey) welcomed the group and the attendees introduced themselves. Mike asked if there were any issues or questions regarding the September 21st meeting minutes. Collette Sutherland (Fenwick Island Police) noted that on the first sentence on page five that DE16 should be replaced with DE26.

Mike distributed the I-95 Corridor Coalition’s executive summary on “Quick Clearance Policies”. Mike mentioned that the summary states that approximately two thirds of accidents are property damage only which means they can potentially be moved safely to the side of the road. The summary also mentions some ideas that DelDOT is already working on such as the TMT meetings themselves, the Motorist Assistance Patrol, and improving interagency communication. Mike stated that the group will review this item again in the future to determine if legislation should be proposed for a quick clearance law in Delaware. Collette stated that the quick clearance policy will need to cover jurisdictional issues regarding who and when a vehicle can be moved



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Mike mentioned that Gene Donaldson (DeIDOT – TMC) is still accepting letters of support for the Intermediate Reference Location Signs report.

**II. Open Discussion on Action Item List**

***Improve DeIDOT's After-Hour Response***

Mike stated that Edwards and Kelcey is assisting DeIDOT with developing options for dealing with this issue.

***Establish TMT Communications Working Group***

Mike mentioned that the first Communications Working Group meeting is scheduled for October 25<sup>th</sup> at the Dover Administration Building in the Farmington-Felton room. Anyone interested in being involved in the working group can contact Mike Domboski at (610) 701-7000 or mdomboski@ekmail.com.

***Conduct Transportation Management Training***

Mike stated the timeframe for this training is spring of next year.

***DeIDOT Process for Roadway Projects***

This item is placed on hold for a few months due to capital budgeting issues.

***Spanish Language Aid for Incident Response Booklet***

Mike stated that Gene is looking into the cost of producing a book similar to the example he had at last months meeting. The estimate is \$5 a booklet. Mike stated that Gene will be talking to the different agencies to determine how many vehicles they have that would use the booklet. Collette asked if the booklet will be available in hard copy only or if it would be possible to have it electronically. Mike said he would look into it.

***Eastern Sussex TMT – Traffic Study Requests***

Mike stated that the traffic studies were ongoing and that if anyone had specific questions to please contact him or Gene.



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*Evacuation Route Intersections*

**SR1 and DE30**

Proposed setup:

- SR1 northbound – cone off right turn lane and left turn lane
- SR1 southbound – cone off left turn lane
- Barricade DE30 on east side of SR1
- Use people to direct traffic

Comments:

- Intersection has a flasher signal
- Road on east side of SR1 is not DE30, just Cedar Neck Rd (Rd 206)
- Need to evaluate use of Cedar Creek Rd (Rd 212) in evacuation route - Cedar Creek Rd is west of the intersection on DE30
- Block only the eastbound direction on Cedar Neck Rd (Rd 206) on the east side of SR1
- Use at least two people to direct traffic

**SR1 and DE5**

Proposed setup:

- DE5 eastbound – cone off and barricade right turn lane
- Use people to direct traffic

Comments:

- Stores on east side of SR1
- Use at least two people to direct traffic

**SR1 and DE16**

Proposed setup:

- SR1 northbound – cone off right turn lane
- SR1 southbound – cone off and barricade left turn lane
- DE16 eastbound – cone off and barricade left turn lane

Comments:

- Intersection controlled by signals on DeIDOT system
- Confirm that there is a dirt road on SR1 northbound by The Rookery Golf Course
- Cone off thru movement of SR1 southbound – only allow right turns onto DE16
- Barricade SR1 southbound on south side of intersection
- Barricade DE16 eastbound right turn lane
- Barricade DE16 eastbound – evaluate where to u-turn vehicles



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**SR1 and US9**

Proposed setup:

- SR1 northbound – cone off and barricade left turn lanes
- US9 westbound – cone off and barricade thru lane and left turn lane
- Barricade first crossover on SR1 north of intersection

Comments:

- Intersection controlled by signals on DeIDOT system
- Place portable VMS on SR1 northbound south of intersection directing vehicles wanting to head west to continue on SR1 northbound to DE16
- Gas station located on northeast corner of intersection
- Road north of SR1 is Business US9 or Savannah Rd (Rd 18)
- Shorten coned off area on Savannah Rd westbound back to beginning of median to allow movement into gas station
- Barricade US9 eastbound at intersection
- Determine where to u-turn any eastbound traffic on US9
- Cone off and barricade thru movement for SR1 southbound – force vehicles to the right turn lane or left turn lanes
- Potential cut thru for SR1 southbound to US9 westbound that may need to be blocked
- Determine if Westcoats Rd (Rd 12) needs to be controlled during evacuation

**SR1 and DE24**

Proposed setup:

- SR1 northbound – cone off left turn lane
- SR1 southbound – cone off right turn lane
- DE24 eastbound – cone off and barricade thru lane and left turn lane
- Barricade DE24 westbound on west side of intersection

Comments:

- Intersection controlled by signals on DeIDOT system
- Gas stations on southeast and southwest corners of intersection
- Wal-Mart and Rehoboth Mall entrances on the south side of DE24 before SR1 – need to consider blocking entrance
- Reevaluate how to handle traffic eastbound on DE24 approaching SR1
- Need to consider the intersection of DE24 and Rd 275 as requiring setup



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**SR1 and DE26**

Proposed setup:

- SR1 northbound – cone off thru lane and right turn lane
- Barricade north side of SR1 northbound
- SR1 southbound – cone off left turn lane
- DE26 eastbound – cone off thru lane and left turn lane
- Barricade east side of DE26 in both directions

Comments:

- Intersection controlled by signals on DelDOT system
- Allow westbound movement on DE26 from east side of SR1
- Block all eastbound lanes on DE26
- Determine where to u-turn any eastbound traffic on DE26
- Cone off thru lane of SR1 southbound
- Barricade south side of SR1 southbound
- Barricade DE26 eastbound right turn lane
- Consider intersection of SR1 and Pennsylvania Ave as requiring setup

**SR1 and DE54**

Proposed setup:

- SR1 northbound – cone off thru lane and right turn lane
- Barricade north side of SR1 northbound
- Barricade east side of DE54 at intersection
- SR1 southbound – cone off left turn lane
- DE54 eastbound – cone off and barricade thru lane and left turn lane

Comments:

- Intersection controlled by signals on DelDOT system
- Gas station on southeast corner of intersection
- Barricade east side of DE54 eastbound
- Cone off SR1 southbound thru lanes
- Barricade DE54 eastbound to all traffic
- Determine where to u-turn any eastbound traffic on DE54
- Barricade south side of SR1 southbound
- Determine how handle northbound traffic on Bunting Ave

**General Comments for All Intersections**

Jim Clacher (DelDOT – TMC) stated that vehicle placement near stop bars needs to be considered. Jim stated that the 20 feet before a stop bar should not have a vehicle because it will be on the loop for the signal.

The group brought up the need to know the locations of gas stations and hospitals.

Garland Saville (Millville Fire) stated that the group needs to look into how to handle the traffic on DE26 in Dagsboro and asked if there is a way to move some of that traffic towards Frankford.



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**III. Next Meeting**

**The next Eastern Sussex County TMT meeting is tentatively scheduled for Wed., November 9th at 7:00pm at the Lewes Fire Hall.**

Please visit the TMT website at [www.deldot.net/static/projects/tmt/](http://www.deldot.net/static/projects/tmt/)

Any questions or concerns can be directed to Gene at [gene.donaldson@state.de.us](mailto:gene.donaldson@state.de.us) or (302) 659-2404. Additionally, Edwards and Kelcey is providing consulting support and helping assist DeIDOT in coordinating the efforts. Regis Wagner and Mike Domboski can be reached at [rwagner@ekmail.com](mailto:rwagner@ekmail.com) / (610) 701-7000 and [mdomboski@ekmail.com](mailto:mdomboski@ekmail.com) / (610) 701-7000, respectively.