IN-TIME

Indiana - Traffic Incident Management Effort Multi-lateral Working Agreement

This Multi-lateral Working Agreement;

- 1. Is a commitment that we as agency/association heads will lead and instruct our agency/association personnel to have an "Open Roads Philosophy." We will work together to accomplish improved safety, quick clearance and communication during traffic incidents and/or obstructions on all public roadways in the State of Indiana. The "Open Roads Philosophy" means; that all incident responders, after ensuring their own personal safety and the safety and security of any incident victims, will have as their top priority reducing congestion and the higher risks of secondary crashes for public/motorist safety. This can be initiated by more efficiently clearing vehicles, victims, and debris from the travel portion of the roadways which will allow traffic to resume to its normal traffic flow. All of this will be balanced with the need for responder safety and accurate investigation. It is critical that every law enforcement officer, fire fighter, medic, maintenance worker, tow truck operator, in short every incident responder, believes in and is guided by the "Open Roads Philosophy."
- 2. Recognizes the formation of a Traffic Incident Management and Quick Clearance group named <u>IN-TIME</u> (Indiana Traffic Incident Management Effort). One representative and/or proxy from each agency/association shall be a voting member and have one vote.

The IN-TIME group will work to provide a common framework for development of traffic incident management policies and training programs across the various responder disciplines. This will include those competencies required from the time of notification until the incident is cleared.

This group will coordinate and address:

- o Key policy recommendations
- o Training recommendations
- o Legislative recommendations
- o Unified Incident Command recommendations
- o Traffic Incident Management planning material
- Be a clearinghouse for TIM best practices, an avenue for peer sharing, to strive for public/motorist safety through reducing congestion and higher risks of secondary crashes
- o Partnership with the media
- o Prompt and accurate reporting, detection and verification of incidents and prompt and accurate communication to all responders.
- After Action Reviews for any incident that takes longer than 2 hours to complete- from verification to when the scene is clear and all traffic lanes have been opened
- o Regional/District IN-TIME groups
 - Will be formed to insure multi-lateral policy making and training at the local level.

We acknowledge a joint responsibility consistent with our underlying legal duties and limitations.				
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