

Comparative Roles and Activities of TRANSCOM and MATOC

Description	TRANSCOM	MATOC
	Transportation Operations Coordination Committee	Metropolitan Area Transportation Operations Coordination Program
Membership	Coalition of 16 transportation & public safety agencies in the NY-NJ-CT metro region; others active in information exchange	DDOT, MDOT, VDOT, WMATA; TPB (ex-officio); others active in information exchange
Structure	Independent non-profit corporation	Program hosted by the U-MD Center for Advanced Transportation Technology on behalf of the partner agencies
Governance documents	Bylaws; Multiyear agreements renewed every 5 years	MOU, bylaws, SOPs, funding agreements, annual work plans
Funding	Membership fee structure (~\$6M/yr); other grants ad hoc	Fed transportation aid & match provided by DOTs (~\$1M/yr); UASI & other grants ad hoc
Committee structure	Board; Technical & Operating Committee; ad hoc subcommittees	Steering committee & tech subcommittees (2)
Staffing	35 total staff for all activities Minimum 2 per shift	3 full time staff dedicated to the program; U-MD provides other shared staff time for RITIS
Hours of operation	24/7/365	5-day, 16 hour coverage w/ limited additional on-call / special event capabilities
Facilities	Dedicated regional facility in Jersey City, New Jersey; "desks" available at other agencies' operations centers	Single office collocated w/ CapWIN Program in Greenbelt, Maryland; "desks" available at other agencies' operations centers
Technical support systems	"Open Reach" System	Regional Integrated Transportation Information System (RITIS)
Deployment or management of field assets	Limited - roadside infrastructure for a few agencies (signs, detectors)	None
Day-to-day activities	Monitor regional traffic / transit & make needed notifications, address ripple effects	Monitor regional traffic / transit & make needed notifications, address ripple effects
Pre-planned events	Construction schedule coordination; awareness of planned events; event information in Open Reach system as available	Currently, maintaining situational awareness; further activities under discussion / consideration
Special duties during emergencies	No special duties; maintain core transportation situational awareness; may increase staffing levels	No special duties; maintain core transportation situational awareness; may expand hours of coverage
"Snow Call" role	None (no such calls are held for the metropolitan area)	Monitor COG Snow Calls
Communications/ notifications to the public	"Wholesale" role; data feeds to 3 rd party developers; no direct-to-public information	"Wholesale" role coming soon; other roles under consideration
After Action Reviews (AARs)	Upon request by DOTs, 5 – 10 times per year; does not typically lead AARs	After-action discussions during committee meetings, but no involvement in other agencies' AARs to date
Table-Top Exercises	Participates upon request in DOTs' exercises occasionally; does not typically lead exercises	Used during MATOC formation