



Incident Management in the DVRPC Region

Championing Traffic Incident Management in the National Capital Region

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Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission



- Federally-designated MPO for the 9-county Philadelphia region
- Created in 1965
- 352 Municipalities
- 5.7 Million People
- 3.0 Million Jobs
- Long-Range Plan, Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)
- Transportation operations, safety, transit, bike/ped, freight, aviation, travel/demographic forecasting, land use planning



DVRPC and Transportation Operations Planning

- \$29M Overall Operating Budget
- 110 Full Time DVRPC Staff
- Not an Operating Agency
- Act as Facilitators and Conveners
- Office of Transportation Operations Management
 - 4 Full Time Staff
 - Unified Planning Work Program: \$300,000
 - TIP (CMAQ): \$933,000



DVRPC's Office of Transportation Operations Management

Planning for Transportation Operations

- Transportation Operations Task Force
- Transportation Operations Master Plan / TSMO Plan
- ITS Regional Architecture
- Use of Archived Operations Data

Special Event Planning / Special Projects

- Papal Visit
- I-76 Corridor Comprehensive Transportation Mgmt Plan

Traffic Incident Management

- Task Forces
- RIMIS / IDRuM

Technical Analysis

Regional Signal Retiming Project



DVRPC's Task Force Locations

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I-76/I-476 Crossroads est. 1999

NJ SAFR est. 2002

Philadelphia est. 2007

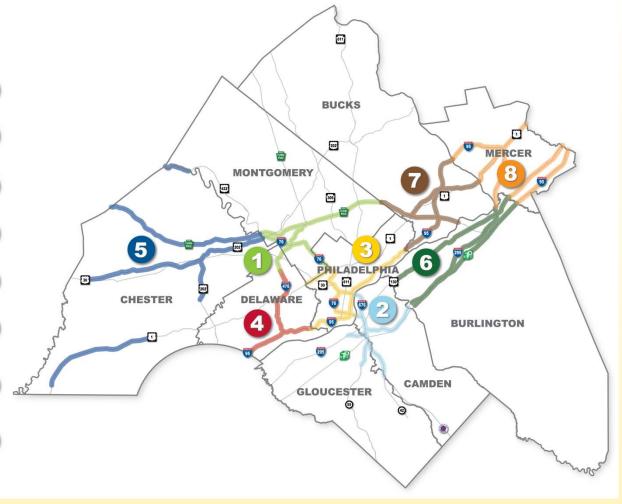
Delaware County est. 2008

US 30 Chester County est. 2009

Burlington County est. 2012

I-95/US 1
Bucks County
est. 2012

Mercer County est. 2015





DVRPC's Incident Management Program Goals









- Promote National Unified Goal (NUG)
- Integrate Incident Management into the Metropolitan Planning Process
- Provide Cross-disciplinary Training
- Manage Incident Management Task Forces
- Serve as Liaison between Emergency Responders and State/County Agencies
- Provide Software Applications to Emergency Responders



Typical Stakeholders

- Local Police Departments
- Local Fire, Ambulance & EMS
- State Police
- DOT Traffic Operations
- DOT Maintenance Divisions
- Turnpike Authorities
- Bridge Authorities
- HAZMAT Agencies
- Dept. of Environmental Protection
- Towing Agencies
- State Towing Associations

- County 911 Communications
- County Department of Public Safety Offices
- County Coroner / Medical Examiner's Office
- Local State Legislators Offices
- Federal Highway Administration
- County Planning Departments
- Transportation Management Agencies
- Public Works Departments
- MPO



Typical Activities



- Quarterly Meetings
- Elected Chairperson(s)
- Rotating Venues
- Incident De-briefings
- Construction Updates
- Action Plans
- Policy and Procedures
 Manuals & Guidelines
- FHWA SHRP2 Training
- Cross Training Towers,
 Crime Scene, Fatal Accident
- Maintain Contact Lists



Overall Regional Successes



Build Relationships

- Interagency Coordination
- Forums to discuss issues
- Enhance communications
- Conduct Post Incident Reviews
- Facilitate Training
 - Quarterly meetings, including SHRP2
 - Regional TIM conferences
- Special Projects
 - 1/10th mile marker signs
 - Center median guide rails along NJ 42
- Special Event Planning
 - Papal Visit
- Support Statewide TIM Training Efforts

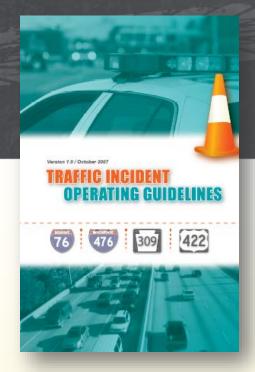


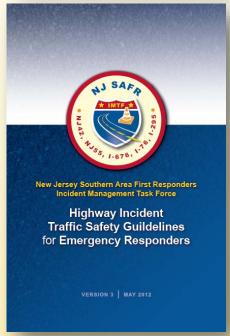
Regional Success: TIM Guidelines

Traffic Incident Operating Guidelines (PA)

Highway Incident Traffic Safety Guidelines for Emergency Responders (NJ)

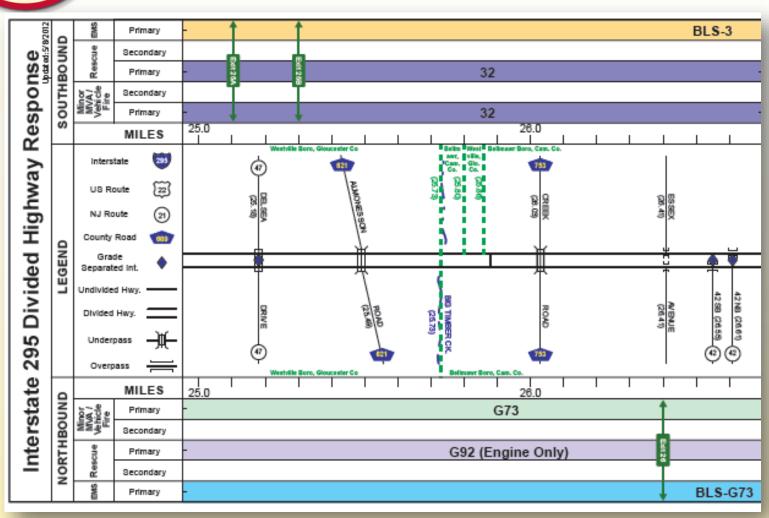
- Provide responders uniform operational guidelines for safe operations at the scene of an incident
- Document serve as a guideline for decision-making and can be modified by the incident responders as necessary to address existing conditions







NJSAFR IMTF Success: Response Boxes & Contracts





New Jersey State Police Incident Management Unit (IMU)

- Partnership between New Jersey State Police (NJSP) and New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) for Incident Management has existed since 1996
 - Federally funded via FHWA
 - Original NJSP unit consisted of 3 Troopers
 - Currently 7 Troopers assigned to unit
- Role of IMU





New Jersey Statewide Partnerships

- NJDOT Statewide Traffic Operations and SSP
- Incident Management Response Team
 - Partnership between NJSP and NJDOT since
 1996
 - Addition of NJDFS in 2013
 - 7 Troopers and 20 NJDOT Members
- NJ Highway Incident Safety Training with NJSP, NJDFS, NJDOT

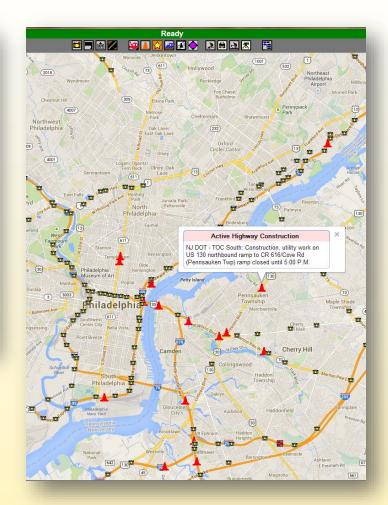




RIMIS: Regional Integrated Multimodal Information Sharing



Customized Video Walls& Situational Map





Future Efforts

- Assist the DOT's by reaching out to local jurisdictions, river crossing agencies, and other regional stakeholders
- Make real time situational information more available to emergency responders through RIMIS
- Continue to support Statewide and National TIM Initiatives

Work as a Team to Improve Responder and Motorist Safety!





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