

**Midcoast Traffic Incident Management Group Agenda**  
**May 14th, 2024 at 1000**  
**Waldo County EMA - 685 Swan Lake Ave, Swanville and Via Zoom**

**1) Welcome and Introductions**

**2) Review of Meeting Minutes from February 13th, 2024 (Attachment A)**

**3) Area Incidents / After Incident Reviews**

Meeting attendees are encouraged to discuss recent area incidents and after incident reviews.

**4) Outreach**

BACTS Staff will lead discussion on outreach opportunities within the region.

**5) Technology**

BACTS Staff will lead discussion on various technology opportunities within the region.

**6) Construction Season**

For updates and discussion.

**7) Training Updates**

BACTS Staff will provide an update on TIM training opportunities.

**8) Other Business**

Discussion on other business.

**9) Upcoming Meetings**

August 13th, 2024 and November 12th, 2024

## Attachment A

### Midcoast Traffic Incident Management Group Agenda February 13th 2024 at 1000 Knox County EMA - 301 Park St, Rockland and Via Zoom

#### 1) Welcome and Introductions

Name	Representing
Chris Whytock	Rockland Fire Dept
Chris Farley	Camden Fire Dept
Paul Pinkham Chris Taylor Mary Crabtree	Knox County Sheriff
Sarah Mazurek	CMP
David Allen Darryl Belz Joe Tedford	MEDOT
Maury Prentiss Emily Huber	Lincoln County EMA
Timothy McFarland	Knox County EMA
Emily Rabbe	Lincoln County RPC
Rand Maker	Lincoln County Sheriff
Brett Strout	Sagadahoc County Sheriff
Jacob Stein	BACTS

#### 2) Review of Meeting Minutes from June 17th, 2021

#### 3) What is TIMs?

BACTS Staff gave a brief overview of the Maine TIMs program, the role of BACTS and IBI, what traffic incident management is, and how meetings and trainings are organized

#### 4) Area Incidents / After Incident Reviews

Rockland Fire and Rockport Fire worked a scene safely and efficiently with Rockport arriving at a scene on Rt 90 in Rockland and immediately starting to direct traffic with flaggers around the scene.

Dave Allen asked the group to try to lane shifting traffic on Rt 90 and Rt 1 by using the wide shoulders and cones rather than alternating traffic flows with flaggers. Also discussed steps for requesting DOT assistance with detours and lane shifts. He brought up collecting common detour maps from municipalities and DOT and putting them on paper so everyone can know the

options. Then possibly put in place preset signage to help make setting up the routes more efficient.

Knox County Sheriff deputy responded to a crash on Rt 73 and had the South Thomaston Fire do traffic control as he was not able to do investigation and traffic control. The firefighters came out and assisted with controlling the traffic situation perfectly.

Camden Fire had a challenging incident on January 1st where a vehicle took out a CMP pole. CMP staff worked great with Camden Fire but wanted to discuss if there are other options for blocking the road than using hard to replace fire apparatus. Camden also discussed previous difficulties working with the TMC and David Allen shared how to bypass that situation if it occurs again.

CMP does training for any department that wants to know about how to respond to downed wires and other electrical power related safety issues.

## **5) Outreach**

BACTS Staff discussed the relaunch of the Midcoast group, preparations for the eclipse, and starting up Lewiston/Auburn and Capital Region groups.

## **6) Technology**

BACTS Staff discussed the contracts that DOT has out to purchase more TIMs technology. Staff also handed out electronic flares and PiLits to Camden and Knox County Sheriff Office, respectively. Drones and mountable signs were also mentioned

## **7) Construction Season**

DOT shared that they are working on the following projects:

- Bridgework in Woolwich
- Continuation of the long term paving project on RT 1 from Wiscasset to Northport
- Rt 90 in Rockport
- Construction in Searsport with directional detour
- Frankfort/Winterport
- Southport Swing Bridge
- Rt 32 in Bristol area

## **8) Training Updates**

Discussed plans for Train the Trainer and Midcoast area trainings this spring

## **9) Other Business**

Discussed electric car fire safety classes and how to responded to them

## **10) Upcoming Meetings**

Next meeting will May 14th at 1000 at a yet to be determined location