

**Midcoast Traffic Incident Management Group Agenda**  
**August 27th, 2024 at 1000**  
**Via Zoom**

**1) Welcome and Introductions**

**2) Review of Meeting Minutes from May 14th, 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 May 14th, 2024 at 1000 Waldo County EMA - 685 Swan Lake Ave, Swanville and Via Zoom

#### 1) Welcome and Introductions

Name	Representing
Patrick Richards	Belfast Fire/EMS
Dale Rowley	Waldo EMA
Kevin Rawley	Nobleboro Fire
David Allen Darryl Belz Dan Garber Alan Farrington	MEDOT
Maury Prentiss Emily Huber	Lincoln County EMA
Emily Rabbe	Lincoln County RPC
Brett Strout	Sagadahoc County Sheriff
Jacob Stein Sara Devlin	BACTS

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

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

No events to discuss

#### 4) Outreach

BACTS Staff discussed efforts to start groups in Augusta and Lewiston-Auburn. Idea was floated of bringing in a topical speaker like Lifeflight at a future meeting. This would make the meetings more informative and offer helpful knowledge for responders.

BACTS staff proposed attending meetings or gatherings of difference agencies and disciplines (EMS Chief meeting, conferences, Fire or Sheriff association meetings) in order to share what TIMs is and why it matters.

#### 5) Technology

BACTS Staff discussed the contracts that DOT has out to purchase more TIMs technology. Drones and message boards are a slower rollout but they are coming. Drones require someone to be trained before an agency can receive the device so that can make the rollout more difficult.

Communication upgrades to EMS vehicles are available for opt-in but that can result in more

cost in future as agencies will need to pick up service costs after initial deployment subscription ends.

The suggestion was made that creating a list of agencies that want to pilot technology so that when items are available, agencies can be invited to attend the TIMs meeting. This would replace the system of giving it away to whoever happens to attend a meeting.

DOT has relocated one of its trailer mounted signs to Waldoboro on Rt 1. This will be used for DOT construction project warnings but also can be used to respond to incidents on Rt 1.

## **6) Construction Season**

Construction in Searport will cause some issues with traffic and require one way detours. Construction on 174 in Prospect is either currently going on or will soon start (May 2024) which will result in a detour. Parts of the larger paving project on RT1 from Wiscasset to Northport is still ongoing. Paving in Winterport will occur soon and will have traffic impacts. Work in Camden will create traffic impacts. Springbrook Bridge construction will result in an on-site diversion and will have congestion impacts. Ongoing work on the dike in Woolwich was discussed as it has an on-site diversion in place. Folding "Road Flooded" signs are in place on Rt 127 in Arrowsic as well on a road in Lincolnville.

Nobleboro has issues with flooding on Duckpuddle Rd bridge which is a town owned road and bridge. DOT will advise on how signage could be placed to improve safety. East Pond Road in Nobleboro was mentioned as also having a major flooding issue but DOT is trying to do a project this year to address this issue.

## **7) Training Updates**

BACTS Staff discussed a CMP training and demonstration program for fire departments that want to reach out and request instruction.

BACTS presented a planned TIMs training in the MidCoast in late June. This idea was pushed back on as being unfeasible with the amount of volunteer departments that can't send people to be training during the day. The counter suggestion was two hour night time sessions taught over two days or Saturday trainings in the fall/winter. The late June training will now be moved to a Train the Trainer in Augusta instead.

## **8) Other Business**

Discussion of need for updated evacuation plans around the Penobscot Narrows Bridge. Original plans may not reflect current road configurations.

Discussion of windmill blades being trucked through out of Searport to points north (northern Hancock County and Western Penobscot around Moscow). Will occur mostly in the morning before commuting time.

## **9) Upcoming Meetings**

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