Aroostook County

Traffic Incident Management Group Agenda October 27th, 2025 at 1300

University of Maine at Presque Isle, Allagash Room - 181 Main St, Presque Isle, ME 04769 and Via Zoom

1) Welcome and Introductions

When we plan for events like severe snowstorms, we must apply the principles of the FHWA's Traffic Incident Management (TIM). This means:

- A) Multi-Disciplinary Coordination: Our plan must unify all key responders—transportation, law enforcement, fire, EMS, and public works—into a single, coordinated effort.
- B) Clear, Consistent, and Timely Communication: We will develop and disseminate a common message to both the public and all responding agencies. This ensures everyone receives accurate information, which is critical for making safe decisions and preventing secondary incidents.
- C) Safe and Quick Clearance: The primary goal is to restore normal traffic flow as quickly and safely as possible. Our communication strategy will support this by providing clear directions for motorists, helping to reduce congestion and protect responders working on the roadway.
- 2) Review of Minutes April 30th, 2025
- 3) Area Incidents / After Incident Reviews / Safety Concerns
- 4) Community Education / Outreach
- 5) Emergency Management
- 6) Weather Service
 - Local Directors Pre-event coordination calls
 - WEA Messaging General Safety
 - Radio / TV Station Messaging
 - Coordination Text EM-ACSO-SP-MDOT
- 7) MaineDOT
 - Message Boards
- 8) Other Business

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Name	Organization
John Gibson	Aroostook County
Bob Watson	Maine DOT
Keith Richards	Maine DOT
Darren Woods	Aroostook EMA
Derrick Ouellette	Aroostook EMA
Mattew Scott	Maine DOT
Ray DeMerchant	Maine DOT
Jack Bosies	BACTS

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2) Area Incidents / After Incident Reviews

Two separate instances of natural gas truck accidents near Houlton and Mars Hill.

Multiple agencies responded to the scenes, with coordinated assistance that included rerouting traffic to ensure public safety and maintain traffic flow. The DOT crew provided critical support to on-site responders throughout the incident.

3) Outreach

The group discussed future participation expanding with more fire chiefs involved before the next winter season.

4) Technology

Various Traffic Incident Management (TIM) technologies will be available for participants and their departments to explore during the meeting. Attendees showed interest in acquiring a portable message board, Guardian Angels, foldable traffic cones, and NiteBeams Road Commander

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5) Construction Season

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025425.00	MATTAWAMKEAG, ROUTE 2 (#184299)	LARGE CULVERT REPLACEMENT
018995.58	2025 SEALING-REGION 5	CRACK SEALING
028232.00	MARS HILL, ROUTE 1A	HWY CYCLICAL PAVEMENT RESU
028234.00	FORT FAIRFIELD, ROUTE 1A	HWY CYCLICAL PAVEMENT RESU
028236.00	PRESQUE ISLE, ROUTE 227/227W/AIRPORT DRIVE/SKYWAY	HWY CYCLICAL PAVEMENT RESU
028238.00	CARIBOU, ROUTE 161B/ROUTE 161BS	HWY CYCLICAL PAVEMENT RESU
024269.00	EAGLE LAKE, SLY BROOK ROAD XC- 180935	LARGE CULVERT REPLACEMENT
026584.00	BASE REPAIR ON SLY BROOK ROAD IN NEW CANADA	HWY REHABILITATION
027214.00	EAGLE LAKE, SLY BROOK ROAD REHAB	HWY REHABILITATION
026626.40	T14 R6 WELS - WINTERVILLE, ROUTE 11	ULTRA-THIN BONDED WEARING COURSE
026626.50	EAGLE LAKE, ROUTE 11	ULTRA-THIN BONDED WEARING COURSE
028874.00	NEW SWEDEN-MADAWASKA LAKE TWP., ROUTE 161	ULTRA-THIN BONDED WEARING COURSE
028876.00	WALLAGRASS, ROUTE 11	ULTRA-THIN BONDED WEARING COURSE
028878.00	LITTLETON-MONTICELLO, ROUTE 1	ULTRA-THIN BONDED WEARING COURSE
026996.00	WALLAGRASS, ROUTE 11	1 1/4" OVERLAY
027670.00	CRYSTAL, ROUTE 159	HMA SURFACE
024247.00	T6R8, GRAND LAKE ROAD	LARGE CULVERT REPLACEMENT
024263.00	T6 R8 WELS, GRAND LAKE ROAD	LARGE CULVERT REPLACEMENT
025373.00	WOODLAND, ROUTE 228	HWY REHABILITATION
028848.00	REGION 5, SOUTHERN AROOSTOOK AREA, ADA RAMP IMPROV	SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS
028882.00	REGION 5, NORTHERN AROOSTOOK AREA, ADA RAMP IMPROV	SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS
022841.00	CARIBOU, GRIMES ROAD	SLOPE STABILIZATION/PROTECTION
026422.00	ALLAGASH, ROUTE 161 (#179682)	LARGE CULVERT REHABILITATION

6) Training Updates

Four Hour TIMs training for MaineDOT Region 5 - May 21, 2025 in Presque Isle.