



Strategic Highway Safety Plan

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Infrastructure Focus Group

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1. Roll call

The following persons were present:

Bruce Nyquist—VAOT, Meeting Facilitator
Amy Gamble – VAOT
Bruce Nyquist – VAOT
Jon Kaplan – VAOT
Mark Fountain – Springfield PD
Bruce Lierman – VT Bike/Ped Coalition
Maureen Dakin – VT Local Roads
Eleni Churchill – CCRPC
Harry Hinrichsen – Barre Town Engineer
Keith Kane—3M

2. Discussion

1. Local Roads Program Brochure

- Dave and Maureen are ready to go with the brochure but will take comments this week.
- They received assistance from Betsy Ross who serves on the Outreach and Marketing Committee.
- Local Roads staff will take steps to get the brochure out to Municipalities via RPCs and their TACs, Town Officials Education Conference.

2. Consultant Update

Bruce gave the status on the discussions with VHB to provide assistance with SHSP.\

3. Regional Safety Days

- Infrastructure FG will take the lead on this TPI funded pilot project. Two RPCs will organize and host a regional safety day which will provide not only the Statewide picture as to what is happening in highway safety, but open up the opportunity for those in the field of highway safety in a region to work together, combining resources, and making plans to address a safety issue/topic/corridor together.
- Local Roads Program can tailor their presentation to meet the time constraints.
- Use data and the TAC to identify the “hot spots” and then the forum can be geared towards that subject.
- Provide opportunity for participants to identify and discuss their burning safety issues. This may also be done as part of the registration form, which would give us a chance to prepare.
- **Recommendations:**
 - To do all RPCs in one year, next year, maybe over committing our resources. May want to consider ½ one year and ½ the next.
 - Have to start looking for funding for lunch

- Recommendation made that there will be a charge to attend. People tend to commit and follow through if they have paid a fee.
- Joe Flynn suggested as an EMS participant
- Recommendation from several members to mix presentations with some type of active participation such as hands on activities or opportunity to move around, network and visit exhibits.
- Build a spiral bound notebook for distribution “Regional Safety Resources” which provides resource information
- Include demo on safety edge
- Include Motorcycle safety
- Federal Motor Carriers
- Add an “Executive Session” for one hour in the morning designed for municipal officials who are only able to give one hour in the morning-perhaps a “Breakfast Hour”

3. Project Assignments

1. Review Local Roads Brochure and send comments to Maureen/Dave this week.
2. Look at the agenda for the Regional Safety Day and identify areas where you can plug in.
3. Also, provide input on the agenda itself.