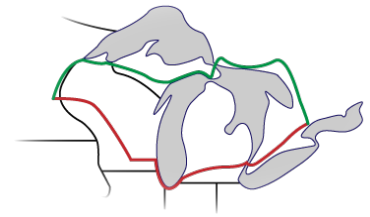


Great Lakes Regional Transportation Operations Coalition



2013 Work Zone Review Meeting Notes

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Handouts and Materials: Agenda, interactive map, and supplemental resources available via <http://www.glrloc.org/workzones/> and <http://www.cmap.illinois.gov/transportation-policy/construction>

Morning Session (9:00 am – Noon)

Chicago Region Operations & Construction Coordination Meeting

Following introductions, each agency that was represented presented their 2013 work zones in the Chicago and surrounding region.

Afternoon Session (1:00 pm – 4:00 pm)

GLRTOC & LMIGA Work Zone Review

Following introductions, Peter Rafferty of the Wisconsin TOPS Lab provided an overview of GLRTOC and LMIGA, their demonstration routes, and the MCOM activities. A second round of MCOM funding is available, and the group briefly discussed areas to focus on for the proposal, e.g., extending the smart work zone performance management project farther into IL and possibly in MI.

Each member agency presented their 2013 work zones, emphasizing those of higher impact and along either of the two demonstration corridors. Refer to the online map at <http://www.glrloc.org/workzones/wzim/>

Quite a lot of discussion and coordination opportunity revolved around the Gateway system and Travel Midwest, which meshes very well with the forthcoming megaregion expansion project under MCOM I.

In regards to Section 1201 RTSMIP, each agency excluding MTO is to provide road conditions, construction lane closures and incident information on all state wide interstates. Metro areas (Twin Cities, Milwaukee, Chicago, and Detroit) have a further requirement for travel times on interstates as well as other routes of significance. Deadlines are Nov. 2014 and Nov. 2016. There is a meeting on this April 11 in Phoenix.

Chris DiPalma of FHWA-IL is moving on to a headquarters position as of March 10. He has been a strong supporter of multistate operations for us and will be missed.

The event adjourned at 4:00 PM Central.

Specific Action Items:

- *Steve Brink to follow up on scheduling a web meeting between GLRTOC, LMIGA and CMAP Freight Committee to discuss the truck parking projects across the megaregion.*
- *Illinois DOT (Chuck Sikaras) to connect with Indiana DOT (Jim Pinkerton) on Indiana DOT Work Zones.*
- *Wisconsin DOT (Brian DuPont) to connect with Minnesota DOT (Tiffany Dagon) on work zone full road closure best practices.*
- *TOPS Lab to develop a more standardized format on lane closure descriptions for describing work zones, i.e., "x of y lanes closed."*
- *TOPS Lab to update online map as new information from agencies is provided.*