

I-95 Corridor Coalition

Coordinating Incident Management

The I-95 Corridor Coalition is a partnership of state departments of transportation, regional and local transportation agencies, toll authorities, and related organizations, including law enforcement, port, transit and rail organizations, from Maine to Florida, with affiliate members in Canada.

The Coalition undertakes activities to improve mobility for people and goods, enhance safety for all travelers, and advance the economic vitality of the region. Coalition activities focus on management and operation of the region's transportation system, with emphasis on issues that transcend jurisdictional boundaries.



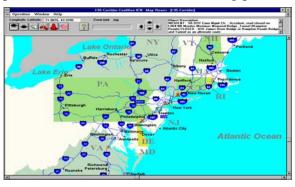


The Coalition facilitates, supports coordination enhances the and implementation of interagency efforts to major incidents and special events of regional significance within the region to minimize adverse impacts on the public and to support transportation security. These improvements are the direct result of the learning, information sharing, and personal relationships established during corridor and regional meetings of the transportation operations and law enforcement personnel hosted by the Coalition.

For more information about the I-95 Corridor Coalition's Incident Management Program, please contact Henry de Vries at hdevries@dot.state.ny.us or visit the Coalition Connection website at www.i95coalition.org.

The Coalition is improving coordinated response to and quick clearance of traffic incidents by transportation and emergency management agencies in neighboring jurisdictions. Through a variety of projects, training courses, technology demonstrations and evaluations, and information sharing sessions, the public experiences less unnecessary delay and fewer secondary accidents resulting from stop and go traffic movement.

- The Coalition sponsors regular meetings of five Highway Operations Groups: New England, Metro New York, Delaware Valley, Potomac and Southern. These Groups promote coordination and cooperation among all organizations that work together to save lives, maintain public safety and manage congestion when a major event or traffic incident occurs. Annually, these groups convene on a corridor basis to share best practices, discuss emerging issues within the corridor and nationally with respect to incident management and transportation security and identify future areas of collaboration.
- The Coalition will continue to enhance and expand its electronic information-sharing network. This will allow member agency operations personnel to obtain information on major accidents and construction activity far enough in advance that they are able to plan trip times and routes to avoid significant delays, and provide information for the traveling public.



- In the Hudson Valley, the Coalition is supporting the demonstration of a system that will enable exchange of information between a law enforcement computer-aided dispatch system and a transportation management information system to facilitate coordinated interagency response to traffic incidents in the area.
- The Coalition is evaluating the effectiveness of Crash Data Retrieval information in crash reconstruction and assessing the potential future benefits of this data, including possible future implementation in Automated Crash Notification systems.



- The Coalition has examined Quick Clearance & "Move It" policies implemented in the Corridor and nationally. Best practices have been documented, providing recommendations on how policies can be implemented in Corridor states and across state boundaries.
- Highway Service Patrol programs are being evaluated with regard to cost/benefit conditions not previously explored, in particular with respect to how these patrols impact the reduction of secondary incidents.