

State Planning and Research Program Quarterly Report

PROJECT TITLE:

Emergency Operations Methodology for Extreme Winter Storm Events

OBJECTIVES:

To provide guidance to transportation agencies seeking to develop or improve and expand their current plans and policies for handling severe-to-extreme storm events. Such events typically include the involvement of multiple departments within a transportation agency and coordination of multiple agencies (including state and local) affected by the extreme winter weather.

PERIOD COVERED: April 1, 2018 – June 30, 2018

PARTICIPATING AGENCIES: Minnesota Department of Transportation and the Clear Roads Technical Advisory Committee

PROJECT MANAGER:

Debra Fick/ Tom Peters

SP&R PROJECT NO:

MnDOT Contract No.
1026090

PROJECT IS:

Planning
 Research & Development

LEAD AGENCY: Mn/DOT

PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR:

Jim Sullivan, University of Vermont

Federal Project Number:

TPF-5(218)

TOTAL BUDGET: \$59,030

PROJECT EXPENDITURES TO DATE: 100%

WORK COMPLETED:

- Conducted the 1st of 5 teleconference meetings to kick off the project on March 23, 2017
- Completed the development of the survey and the initial collection of survey responses for Task 2
- Completed the Literature Search for Task 1
- Conducted the 2nd of 5 teleconference meetings on June 28th to review the initial results of the survey
- Conducted the 3rd of 5 teleconference meetings to review the Literature Search
- Completed the Interviews and Case Studies (Task 3)
- Completed the Recommendations for Task 4
- Conducted the 4th of 5 teleconference meetings to review the Task 3 deliverable
- Completed the Draft and Final Versions of the Final Report for Task 5
- Completed the 5th of 5 teleconference meetings to conduct the final webinar presentation on June 28th

SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES EXPECTED TO BE PERFORMED NEXT QUARTER:

- None

STATUS AND COMPLETION DATE: The Draft Version of the Final Report was due to the TAC for Review on March 1, 2018. However, due to the winter RSIC activities of many of the TAC members, their review of the Task 4 Recommendations was extended, preventing the delivery of the draft version of the Final Report. The review of the Task 4 Recommendations was completed on March 30th. Therefore, the new delivery date for the draft version of the Final Report is July 31, 2018, and the new delivery date for the Final Report & PowerPoint Presentation is September 30, 2018.