

## 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:** January 1, 2018 – March 31, 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:** 90%

**WORK COMPLETED:**

- Conducted the 1<sup>st</sup> 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 2<sup>nd</sup> of 5 teleconference meetings on June 28<sup>th</sup> to review the initial results of the survey
- Conducted the 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 4<sup>th</sup> of 5 teleconference meetings to review the Task 3 deliverable

**SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES EXPECTED TO BE PERFORMED NEXT QUARTER:**

- Complete the Draft Version of the Final Report for Task 5

**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 30<sup>th</sup>. Therefore, an amendment was submitted and 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.