

National Unified Goal and Related Initiatives

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National Unified Goal

- **Responder Safety**
- **Safe, Quick Clearance**
- **Prompt, Reliable, Interoperable Communications**

TIM Program Areas

- Strategic
 - Institutional Agreements
 - Training
 - Budgeting
 - Performance Measurement
- Tactical – On-scene Operations
 - Clearance
 - Safety
 - ICS
- Technical
 - Interagency Communications
 - ITS and Freeway/Arterial Management
 - Traveler Information

USDOT Congestion Initiative Traffic Incident Management and NTIMC – National Unified Goal

- Developed at same time
- Goals and Strategies are coordinated and mutually supportive

USDOT Congestion Initiative

Traffic Incident Management

- “Full-Function” Service Patrols
- “Driver Removal” Laws and Practices
- Safe, Quick Clearance Policies
- Integrated Interagency Communications
 - TIM Performance Measurement needs integrated data systems

Full-Function” Service Patrols

(Responder Safety, Quick Clearance)

- Definition: Do the public safety responders expect you to show up?
- Traffic Control
- On-Scene eyes and ears for TMC
- Communications link to maintenance

Driver Removal Laws

(Quick Clearance, Responder Safety)

- Commonly Called “Move It” or “Steer It, Clear It”
- About half the States have them
- Nearly every State has common wording in laws regarding obstruction of traffic
 - Different interpretations of what that means

Safe, Quick Clearance Policies

(Safe, Quick Clearance)

- High-Level Agreements among State and local partners to work together to clear incidents safely and quickly
- Establishes an expectation of interagency cooperation
- Attaching Performance Metrics advances accountability
- May exist in a Business Plan or Strategic Highway Safety Plan

Integrated Interagency Communications

(Prompt, Reliable, Interoperable Communications)

- Ability and willingness to share information efficiently among agencies and partners
- Required by NIMS
- Source of information for good traveler information
- Forms basis for comprehensive TIM Program Performance Measurement

Programmatic Relationships

- Quick incident clearance doesn't happen without addressing responder safety
- Both depend on quick accurate and unambiguous communications
- All three need multi-agency program planning, budgeting and evaluation