

Florida CVISN Team Meeting

May 23, 2002

1:00 – 3:00



MINUTES

Participants:

Bill Cumbie	<i>Dept. of Revenue</i>	Judy Johnson	<i>DHSMV</i>
Frank Day	<i>FDOT</i>	Randy Lenczyk	<i>DHSMV</i>
Richard Easley	<i>E-Squared Engineering</i>	Roger Pittman	<i>FL Dept. of Agriculture</i>
Sharon Easley	<i>E-Squared Engineering</i>	Hugh Stephens	<i>Dept. of Revenue</i>
Paul Grimes	<i>FDOT OIS</i>	Marcel Tart	<i>FDOT MCC</i>

Richard Easley opened and conducted the meeting for Mike Akridge who could not attend due to a meeting conflict.

Electronic Permitting (Blanket permit status)

Frank Day gave an update on both projects currently being undertaken in the Permits Department. The project to create a web based permit intake mechanism is complete. Sharon Holmes, Randy Hubbard, Jean Ducher and Kirk Hutchison demonstrated the system earlier in the day. During the presentation there were several comments/questions from the group. Sharon Holmes thanked the group for the comments and said that they would be used to make any necessary changes to the system. Sharon also noted that there would be a link on the first page of the Permit Intake System that would allow users to send comments about the system to the Permits Department. Jim Long from the Florida Trucking Association was present at the demonstration as well as many of the CVISN team members. The system was very impressive and should be well received by the users (truckers). It was carefully designed to help ensure accuracy of the permit application but not too “strict” that users would become frustrated and not use it. The system will go live on Friday May 31, 2002.

The second project, automating the blanket permit issuing process, was also discussed. The scope of work for the project has been written and is being reviewed by the OIS department. There are a few other subprojects that have a major affect on automating the permit system. The Oversize/Overweight Vehicle Permit System (OVP), which is the database that tracks permits and codes used in the permitting process, needs to be rewritten because it is in COBOL. The project is stalled waiting for the rewrite of the OVP system. There is some discussion that parts of the project to automate the blanket permit process could be done in house. If this happens the scope of work for the project will need to be rewritten before it is put out to bid.

Marcel Tart asked Frank if there will be a way for officers to validate permits once the process is automated. Frank said that the goal would be for officers to be able to do this from the field. Marcel also asked if officers would still be able to make contact through “office vision” (which they do now) Frank said they would be able to.

PRISM Update

Richard Easley updated the group with information provided to him by David Helton. Florida is not currently a PRISM state. All of the information has been given to the appropriate people in MCC and DHSMV. All that remains is for a decision to be made as to whether Florida will become a PRISM state. It is not clear at this time when this decision will be made.

Electronic Screening at Agriculture Inspection Sites

The MOU is complete and has been approved by the legal department. It will go to Mr. Morefield for his signature. Marcel Tart asked what the cost per vehicle was when bypassing the Agriculture station. Roger Pittman noted that the contract contains a maximum charge amount (he did not know what that amount was) but that PrePass could charge less than the minimum amount. Marcel also asked if he and his officers could get the information regarding violators who bypass when they received a pull in signal. Roger assured Marcel that Agriculture would share that information with MCC and that Agriculture would also be interested in getting that information back from MCC on their violators as well. Both agreed that they would share this information.

Roger Pittman explained that although the MOU was about to be signed and equipment installation was almost complete there was one more process that would have to be done before the PrePass system could go live. The Department of Agriculture must go through the rulemaking process. It was estimated that this process would take approximately three months.

Roger also advised the group that the equipment had been installed in 2 of 3 locations and that the third (I-75) should be completed soon. Marcel noted that all equipment would be installed and ready to go by the time the rulemaking process is complete.

E-Credentialing/Compliance Help Desk Feasibility Study

Richard Easley updated the group on this project. He gave a brief history of the project and noted that the kickoff meeting involving Cambridge Systematics (the vendor on this project) and the oversight committee took place earlier in the day. Richard pointed out that during the kickoff meeting Major Browning with the MCC office advised that any proposed system concepts/designs for electronic credentialing must be flexible to accommodate possible modifications that might occur over the next year regarding hazmat credentialing.

FTA Annual Meeting & Presentations

Richard discussed this meeting which will take place in Palm Beach, Florida August 12 – 15, 2002. Charles Brantley has allocated 1 ½ hours on the agenda for two presentations from Florida DOT. There will be a presentation on CVISN and also a presentation on the OS/OW permitting office activities. Although the exact nature of the presentations has not been determined, the permits office will maximize the opportunity by presenting information on the new web based permit application system as well as provide updates to the project to automate the permitting system. There will also be a presentation of the

preliminary results of the survey that will be conducted for the Electronic Credentialing/Compliance Help Desk Feasibility Study.

Hugh Stephens noted that the presentations for the FTA meeting need to be on the agenda for the next meeting so the presentation content/format can be determined in plenty of time for the meeting.

CVO Advice Letter

Richard Easley gave a brief description of ITS America and its relationship with the U.S. Department of Transportation in terms of offering advice and guidance to the department. He went over the letter and the issues that were addressed in it and the advice that was offered to DOT.

Miscellaneous Discussion:

ITS/CVO Course

Richard Easley discussed a potential ITS/CVO course that will be produced for the purpose of outreach and education of those that may not be very familiar with CVISN or CVO. It is possible that this 6-8 hour course may be offered in conjunction with an ITS Working Group meeting.

Agriculture Gamma Ray Detection Machines

Richard Easley asked Roger Pittman for an update on this technology which can show the contents of a trailer/container, including false compartments, without opening it. Roger advised the group that the Agriculture Department would get two of these machines probably by October or November 2002. Roger wanted to make it clear that the purpose for this machine was to further to duties of the Department of Agriculture.

Frank Day requested that Jean Ducher be added to the CVISN team member distribution list. Joe Martelli has been promoted and will no longer participate in the CVISN team meetings.

Next CVISN Team meeting:

Thursday, June 20, 2002, from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm. Location: Environment Management Office (EMO) conference room #330, Rhyne Building, 2740 Centerview Drive, Suite 3B, Tallahassee, FL.

(The next meeting has been rescheduled to take place 6/20 from 9 AM to 11 AM and will be followed by an infrared brake testing demonstration from 1 PM to 3 PM)