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Local Road Safety Plans and Vision Zero

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- Review of LRSP Background and Purpose
- LRSP Process
- Vision Zero
- Questions

Agenda

1 - Review of LRSP Background and Purpose



LRSP Background and Purpose

- ► What is a LRSP?
 - Coordination between agencies on driverrelated countermeasures
 - Proactive safety improvements based on risk factor assessment
 - Define a focused plan for practitioners to make informed, prioritized safety decisions
 - Use results of the analysis to leverage and apply for funding
- Goal Proactive safety improvement projects and programs that can be implemented by the agency

LRSP Background and Purpose

- Driver-related countermeasures
 - Survey for driver-related countermeasures
 - Workshop with representation from 5E's of safety

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EDUCATION

ENGINEERING

EMERGENC

EVERYONE

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- ► Engineering
- ► Education
- Enforcement
- Emergency Response
- ► Everyone
- Engineering countermeasures
 - List of proactive safety projects

LRSPs per the Feds:

"The systemic approach to safety involves widely implemented improvements based on high-risk roadway features correlated with specific severe crash types.

The approach provides a more comprehensive method for safety planning and implementation that supplements and complements traditional site analysis.

It helps agencies broaden their traffic safety efforts and consider risk as well as crash history when identifying where to make low cost safety improvements."

FHWA – Office of Traffic Safety



Where have LRSPs been done?

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COUNTY ROADWAY

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- Minnesota (2009 2013)
- North Dakota (2012-2015)
- Iowa (2015 ongoing)
- Kansas (2017 ongoing)
- Under Development in:
 - California
 - FHWA (various jurisdictions)
 - Other locations throughout the country

2 – LRSP Process



LRSP Process Overview

- Data Collection
- Data Analysis
- Countermeasure Selection
- Develop Projects
- Develop LRSPs
- Stakeholder Outreach



Data Collection

- Crash data
- Roadway features
 - Lane width
 - Shoulder width/type
 - Speed limit
 - Pavement condition
 - Etc.
- Volume data



Data Collection from Local Agencies

- 911 address database
- Shoulder width and type
- Intersection lighting
- Curve chevron signage
- Centerline rumble strips
- Edgeline and/or shoulder rumble strips
- Transverse rumble strips

Database Development

- Segment database
- Intersection database
- Curve database



Data Analysis

- The KABCO injury severity scale (National Safety Council, 1990) is used to summarize crash data.
- The KABCO scale is used by the investigating officer on the scene to classify injury severity for occupants with five categories:
 - K killed/fatal injury
 - A disabling/serious injury
 - B evident/minor injury
 - C possible/unknown injury
 - O no apparent injury/Property Damage Only (PDO)

Data Analysis

- Crash maps
 - K and A (Fatal and Serious Injury)
 - KABCO (all crashes)
- Comparison of crashes to Strategic Highway Safety Plan (SHSP) emphasis areas
- Crash analysis breakdowns (crash trees)
 - Paved vs unpaved roads
 - Vehicle vs nonmotorist
- High-crash location list

Data Collection from Counties

- Questionnaire on driver-related emphasis areas
 - Distributed prior to the workshop
 - Countermeasures discussed at the first workshop



Data Collection from Counties

Example driver-related countermeasures

Younger drivers

- Conduct additional training in schools
- Enforcement of graduated driver's license laws

Inattentive/distracted driving

- Incorporate information on distracted driving into education programs for young drivers
- Conduct education and awareness campaigns
- Visibly enforce existing statutes to deter distracted driving

Project Selection Methodology



Risk Factors and Ranking

- Identification of systemic safety improvements
 - Risk factors can include:
 - Roadway features
 - Intersection features
 - Traffic volumes
 - Risk factor ranking will be conducted for:
 - Roadway segments
 - Intersections
 - ► Curves

Decision Trees

- Develop decision trees to aid in systematic selection of safety improvement projects for each:
 - Roadway segment
 - Intersection
 - Curve



Develop Project Sheets







SEGMENTS



Segments – Potential Risk Factors

- Volume
- Lane width
- Shoulder type
- Access density
- Lane departure crashes



Segments – Potential Countermeasures and CMFs

Safety Countermeasure	Crash Modification Factor	Estimated Cost	
Wider (6-inch) Pavement Markings	0.825	\$2,000/mile	
Clear and Grub	0.78	\$5,000 - \$20,000/mile	
Edgeline Rumble Strips	0.61 – 0.67	\$2,000/mile	
Centerline Rumble Strips	0.55 – 0.91	\$1,000/mile	
Pave 2-ft Shoulder with Rumble Strips	0.75 – 0.99 "Pave Shoulder" 0.61 – 0.67 " Edge Rumble Strip"	\$65,000/mile	

Segments – Potential Countermeasures



Segments – Site Specific Countermeasures

- Provide safer slopes and ditches
- Modify horizontal alignment
- Remove/relocate objects in hazardous locations
- On-pavement markings for speed control
- Post-mounted delineators
- Guardrail
- Curve treatments along segment





VISION ZERO



What is Vision Zero?

"Vision Zero is a strategy to eliminate all traffic fatalities, while increasing safe, healthy, equitable mobility for all." (Vision Zero Network)



Traditional vs. Vision Zero Approach

TRADITIONAL APPROACH

Traffic deaths are INEVITABLE PERFECT human behavior Prevent COLLISIONS INDIVIDUAL responsibility Saving lives is EXPENSIVE

VISION ZERO

Traffic deaths are PREVENTABLE Integrate HUMAN FAILING in approach Prevent FATAL AND SEVERE CRASHES SYSTEMS approach Saving lives is NOT EXPENSIVE

(Vision Zero Network)



Vision Zero Cities



Minimum Requirements

- Goal and timeframe for elimination of fatalities
- Mayor officially committing to Vision Zero
 Directing staff to prioritize Vision Zero
- Action Plan in place
- Key departments actively engaged
 - Public health
 - Law enforcement
 - Transportation
- Regular task force meetings to evaluate efforts

5 – Questions



Thank You!

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