

Action Plan Updates as of May 8, 2009:

Call Tree:

- Staff followed up with Sanford and Gray dispatch after some towns in York County switched dispatch centers. After reviewing the existing call tree it was determined no changes needed to be made.
- Tim Hamilton and RJ Leger have reviewed the call tree guidance document staff have been working on, and are comfortable with the content. The next step will be to have the TIM group endorse the document and discuss ways we can circulate it to police and fire departments in our region.

PSIC Grant:

- Radio programming of CONOPS frequencies is underway. The consultants have been authorized to program the following frequencies:
 - York County EMA frequency
 - Statewide Car-to-car
 - Statewide Fire
 - Nationwide Car-to-car

The following towns have been completed: Berwick, Saco, Eliot

There was a brief discussion about programming these channels on the narrow band because the federal government will require radios frequencies be switched to the narrow band by January 2013. It was determined that this was not feasible at this time because not all the frequencies are currently licensed for narrow band use.

- Staff is working with Bob Bohlmann on developing a “Radio Protocol” training session for a future workshop. The training could include scenario based practice elements accompanied by state and federal standards and requirements.

Recent Major Incidents on Our Roadways:

- South Berwick: Route 4 (Portland St) just north of town was closed due to a two car head-on collision on May 5th. Traffic was diverted for to 2 1/2 hours
- I-95/Turnpike northbound on April 14th between Exit 32 and 36 on 4/14
- Route 202 in Hollis on March 18th due to a structure fire

Statewide Traffic Incident Management Group:

- The group is working on developing Quick Clearance training that would involve both fire/rescue and police, and are thinking of utilizing an example from Wisconsin DOT as a start. They would like to use our ME/NH group as a “test” run and get feedback from you on the training when it is ready.