



Public Works Council & Regional Transportation Partners November 2013 Ice Storm Reflections

Tuesday, January 28, 2014 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM, Transportation Council Room NCTCOG Offices, CPII 616 Six Flags Drive, Arlington, Texas 76011

Chairman: Jim Lockart, City of Richardson Co-Chair: Joe Trammel, Tarrant County

1. **Welcome and Introductions**. Public Works Council (PWC) Chair to welcome meeting attendees and state the purpose for this special meeting of the Public Works Council and regional transportation partners.

## ACTION/DISCUSSION/PRESENTATION ITEMS

## DISCUSSION

- 2. **November 2013 Ice Storm**. The NCTCOG staff and the PWC would like to discuss the ice storm of November 2013 with the public works and transportation providers, including experiences, partnerships, and lessons learned. The following list of topical questions will be used to start the conversation:
  - a. If you could go back to the Monday before the ice storm, having until the Thursday evening before to prepare, what would you do differently (i.e. were you stocked with adequate supplies & manpower)?
  - b. What interactions with other agencies resulted from the storm (i.e. TxDOT, NTTA, railroad, Public Works Emergency Response Team agreements)?
  - c. What materials were used by the various cities (i.e. sand, chemical deicer, combination)?
  - d. What methods of outreach for public awareness were used to set the expectations of public services available for residents?
  - e. Did you experience any utility problems/outages at the same time as the roadway issues (i.e. sewer & water distribution, storm drainage systems, pump stations, lift station, signals)?
  - f. For those that also had coincidental power outages, was your backup generation adequate, how did you handle signals, and was maintaining enough generator fuel an issue?

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- g. What classifications of roadways did you treat with sand or chemicals (i.e. arterials, collectors, local, rural)?
- h. Are there any long or short term maintenance issues resulting from the storm (i.e. potholes)?
- i. Has restocking supplies been an issue?
- j. Did the counties have any special issues, different from the cities?
- k. What would you do differently during the storm event itself, if there was a do-over opportunity?

## OTHER BUSINESS AND ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION

- 3. **2014 Public Works Roundup**. Reminder of the upcoming 2014 Public Works Roundup event to be held in late May or early June.
- 4. **Roundtable Topics/Other Business**. This is an opportunity for participants to bring up topics or issues related to the meeting topic that have not been discussed yet.
- 5. Schedule for the Next PWC Meeting. The next PWC meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 27, 2014, at 9:30 a.m., in NCTCOG's Regional Forum Room. Please earmark that date, and as we get closer to that time, the NCTCOG staff will coordinate with the Chair to confirm the meeting and provide an agenda.

## 6. Adjournment.

If you have any questions regarding the meeting or agenda items, please contact Rob Seeds by phone at (817) 695-9224, or by email at rseeds@nctcog.org.

Thank you.

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