

## TRAINING GOALS: EXERCISES AND HANDS-ON DEMONSTRATIONS

One of the Traffic Incident Management (TIM) training goals for 2024 is for each TIM district to host four exercises, drills or demonstrations throughout the year. The purpose of this goal is to give responders in each district a chance to get hands-on training experience, both inside and outside of the classroom. These can be short 10-minute demonstrations conducted within your area or large, full-scale multi-disciplinary exercises. Below are some examples of what some districts have done so far this year to complete this goal:

### D2

During a recent TIM meeting in District 2, Cass County Sheriff's Office Sergeant Karl Boehm and La Vista Police Department Sergeant Ray Harrod led a discussion on emerging technologies and demonstrated their departments' wearable safety lights and smart sequential road flares. During another meeting, Nebraska Department of Transportation (NDOT) Supervisor Jay Partch also demonstrated and discussed their use of smart sequential road flares during TIM incidents.



### D5

District 5 held a TIM field exercise in Scottsbluff on June 15. They covered topics such as safe, quick clearance strategies, effective interoperable communication and coordination, roles and responsibilities, and more. The exercise simulated crash response executed by pre-designated agencies, and all other participants observed and discussed their observations with facilitators. Following the simulation, there was an after-action review session.



### What are some things that you can do to complete this goal in your district?

- Conduct an inspection of your department members' high-visibility safety apparel (HVSA) and have them demonstrate the proper use and storage of HVSA.
- Conduct a push/pull/drag exercise with your agency.
- Create a mock TIM scene with at least one other agency in your community to demonstrate proper safe vehicle positioning and emergency light discipline.
- Demonstrate a technology that your agency is using for other agencies in your district.
- Do a sit-along with your emergency communications agency.
- Plan a TIM exercise in your district. We have created a [Nebraska TIM Live Training Exercise Worksheet](#) to help get you started!
- Need more ideas? Visit the [Nebraska TIM website](#) for more resources or [ResponderSafety.com](#) for Roadway Safety Teaching Topic Packages.

# NEBRASKA TIM STATEWIDE VIRTUAL MEETING - JULY 17

Join us on Wednesday, July 17 from 10-11:30 a.m. CT/9-10:30 a.m. MT for the first Statewide Nebraska TIM Virtual Meeting. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss state and national TIM best practices and resources, and to create a statewide network of TIM champions. Each quarter, we will highlight different TIM topics and allow for open discussion with responders from across the state. In July we will cover:



**Training:** A multi-disciplinary training curriculum allows a coordinated response to traffic incidents with a focus on quick clearance and safety. This session focuses on collaborating with you to identify opportunities for training classes, new trainers and making the curriculum Nebraska-specific. Attention trainers: discussion will include how to access available training resources, like FHWA's trainer hub and Nebraska DOT's ShareFile data repository.



## EDC-7 Initiative - Next Gen TIM: Digital Alerting

**Technologies:** Every Day Counts (EDC-7) Next Gen TIM is a federal initiative focused on technologies that improve responder safety and incident clearance. Digital alerting technologies, like **HAAS Alert**, inform roadway users of incidents ahead and help them avoid or navigate around the incidents. This session is a panel discussion answering questions on how the technology has been procured and is being used in Nebraska. Panelists include:

- Tim Adams, HAAS Alert
- Battalion Chief Phil Thomas, Grand Island Fire Department
- Jeremy Smith, Smith and Sons Repair



**TIM Win - Multi-Disciplinary Construction Coordination:** TIM stakeholders in Central Nebraska will share their experiences coordinating construction incident response during I-80 head-to-head traffic conditions. This session will be a panel discussion including state and local responders. You will learn best practices for interagency coordination and the importance of engaging all disciplines in planning efforts.

Please [click here](#) to register to attend! We look forward to "seeing" you on July 17!

## This is YOUR meeting!

Do you have a topic, TIM win or something else that you'd like us to cover during a statewide meeting? Let us know at [NE@TIM.hdrinc.com](mailto:NE@TIM.hdrinc.com)!

## AFTER-ACTION REVIEWS (AARs) BY REQUEST

Starting this spring, we have transitioned to holding TIM meetings by request, meaning that meeting frequency is contingent on your requests. Have you responded to a recent crash or other roadway incident that would be beneficial to review with TIM stakeholders in your region? Please submit a meeting request with the incident information via the [AAR meeting request form](#). Conducting AARs fosters a culture of continued learning and improvement. AARs allow TIM stakeholders across all disciplines to identify best practices, opportunities for improvement and actionable items to improve safe, quick clearance.



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