

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING FOR TRAFFIC INCIDENT MANAGEMENT

This Memorandum of Understanding for Traffic Incident Management (TIM) is made this day MM/DD/YR by and among the traffic incident response municipalities of the Durham - Chapel Hill - Carrboro Metropolitan Planning Organization (DCHC MPO), to guide development of Traffic Incident Management (TIM) processes, practices, and improvement in the safety and mobility of all who work or occupy the highway in the region.

This document commits each municipality, organization, agency, or association to communication, cooperation, and collaboration in inclusive development of a common operating picture, consistent with the National Incident Management System (NIMS) concepts of command and management, public information systems, and resource management, specifically those of Incident Command System (ICS) including Unified Command principles.

Signatories of the MOU agree to cooperative advancement of the concepts of the National Unified Goal (NUG) for Traffic Incident Management, which stresses:

- 1. Responder Safety**
- 2. Safe, Quick Clearance of Roadways**
- 3. Prompt, Reliable, Interoperable Communication**

This document maintains and respects the authority, responsibility, rules, and regulations of each signatory. In the spirit of Unified Command, nothing in this TIM program commitment will be seen as a delegation of authority or responsibility to any other partner.

This signed document commits the signing agency to the following:

- *Collaborate regularly with other TIM Stakeholders to share information and develop program goals*
- *Collaboration and development of a Regional Quick Clearance goal*
- *Developing defined incident scene roles and responsibilities based on NIMS and ICS guidance.*
- *Working toward shared policies on local incident scene traffic management.*
- *Consistent and safe on-scene vehicle positioning and use of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)*
- *Working cooperatively toward establishment of incident communications guidelines.*

This MOU is not intended to be a binding legal document, and no party will have any legal rights of enforcement hereunder. There are no third party beneficiaries to this MOU. Nothing in this MOU shall create or give to third parties any claim or right of action against an undersigned party.

Name of Municipality, Agency, Organization, Association: _____

Authorized Signature: _____ Printed Name: _____

Title: _____ Date of Approval: _____