

# The Wisconsin Responder



WisDOT's TIME Program Quarterly Newsletter

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## Mark your calendars!

**National Move Over Day – October 19, 2024**

**Crash Responder Safety Week – November 18-22, 2024**

Look for future newsletters and emails on ways to participate in the events.

Mike's Minute



**MICHAEL JUNGBLUTH**  
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Greetings from the ETO/TIME team!

A BIG thank you to all those first responders who have taken the time to stop by our exhibitor booth and request information about the TIME program and check on the status of the new 2024 TIM modules from FHWA. I appreciate your patience. Once these new materials are received from FHWA, we will begin our review of the modules to add Wisconsin specific content. Please take the opportunity to offer the updated materials to your respective staff members.

The new TIM modules have eight lessons: Introduction; TIM Laws, Standards, and Terminology; Communication and Command; Vehicle Positioning; Scene Safety; Traffic Management; Scene Hazards and Other Considerations; and Clearance and Termination. A Rural TIM module is also now available. In addition, they have included optional Tech modules: Transportation Management Centers, Computer-Aided Dispatch Integration, TIM Data and Crowdsourcing, Unmanned Aircraft Systems, and Connected Vehicles & Automated Vehicles.

As you start putting together your training plans for 2025, please keep this FREE 4-hour training program as one of your topics. I cannot encourage you strongly enough that these TIM concepts become part of your standard operating procedure for mitigating traffic crashes safely.

Thank you for continuing to serve...stay safe, *Mike*

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## Rural Road Safety Awareness Week — July 15-19, 2024

***LIFE BETWEEN THE LINES!***



"Life Between the Lines: Preventing Rural Roadway Departures" is the theme for the 2024 Rural Road Safety Awareness Week. According to the Federal Highway Administration, about two-thirds (66%) of fatalities in rural areas were in roadway-departure crashes and every year nearly 12,000 people die when their vehicle leaves its lane on a rural road.

We call on all road users to do their part in promoting safe driving habits. This includes being mindful of their own driving speeds and aware of different modes of travel on rural roadways, committing to and encouraging others to always wear seatbelts, understanding the importance of good tires and not overcorrecting, and supporting proven safety countermeasure initiatives to reduce rural roadway departures in their communities.

Finally, we also encourage our partner first responder agencies take steps to decrease the dangers of roadway departures on rural roads. This may include increasing awareness through public service announcements, reducing speeds on high-risk roads, increasing enforcement efforts, developing safety action plans, and developing policies that support deploying proven safety countermeasures on rural roads. By working together and taking a proactive approach to reducing roadway departures on rural roads, we can prevent fatalities and serious injuries and create safer rural roadways.



We hope to see you in Wisconsin Dells at the Governor's Conference on Highway Safety. The TIME program has developed and will present eight different presentations at the conference.

Please visit the conference [website](#) for details and registration.



## WisDOT is Preparing for Major Events



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Over the past several years, members of WisDOT's Division of Transportation System Development have been preparing for large scale events such as the 2024 RNC in Milwaukee and the 2025 NFL Draft in Green Bay. This preparation has included the completion of ICS 100, 200, 300, 700 & 800 training for many of the staff. To support this training, the ETO/TIME Team has conducted facilitated discussions that may have included some of your organizations. These 2.5 hour training sessions are held virtually or hybrid (in-person & virtual) and occur in the spring and fall.

WisDOT has used this type of training to familiarize players with, or develop new, plans, policies, agreements, and procedures. We have focused these discussion-based exercises on strategic, policy-oriented issues, and involved major regional challenges. A sample of training topics from the last several years include; a tornadic event with a livestock trailer rollover, a winter storm during a traffic generating event resulting in stranded motorists, a fire scenario with an extended duration closure, an ice storm with a train derailment with hazardous material spill, and most recently - a summer storm with flooding, bridge strike, and tornado damaging a WisDOT building. Thank you for partnering with us for these important training exercises.

Thank you, *Brian*

## Train-the-Trainer Course



The Wisconsin Department of Transportation's (WisDOT) Traffic Incident Management Enhancement (TIME) program is once again looking for new Traffic Incident Management (TIM) instructors.

Do you believe the proper application of TIM principles at an incident scene makes all responders safer? Do you believe that TIM principles result in the quicker clearance of an incident? Do you want to teach your fellow responders these valuable tools? Then the TIME program would like you to join their ranks of instructors. The program currently has 143 TIME-trained instructors from every region of the state, but we can always use more – the more diverse the instructor pool, the better the training for the responders.

The requirements for becoming and remaining a TIME program instructor are:

- 1) You must attend the eight-hour FHWA "Train-the-Trainer" instructor program.
- 2) You are asked to teach at least one four-hour responder class annually (to remain current with the material).

**All TIM instructors are 100 percent volunteers.** The program does not have any funds available to compensate instructors for their time or travel. They're passionate about incident scene safety and want to share their knowledge and experience with fellow responders. We try to have two instructors from different disciplines at each four-hour class, with one having the discipline from the requesting agency.






The TIME program will be hosting a "Train-the-Trainer" course on **Saturday, October 26, 2024, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.** at the **Traffic Management Center, located at 433 W. St. Paul Avenue, Suite 300, Milwaukee, WI 53203.** Please submit an [application](#) to attend the training by October 14, 2024.

The training is free, and the TIME program will provide lunch and all teaching materials. Please consider becoming a TIM instructor. It can be very rewarding!

*Mark your  
Calendar*

## 2024 Fall Regional TIME Meeting Schedule

Construction Projects \* Connected and Automated Vehicle Workgroup Updates \*  
Review of Traffic Crashes \* Specialized Training Topics

				
NWR Counties	NCR Counties	NER Counties	SWR Counties	SER Counties
Douglas, Bayfield, Ashland, Burnett, Washburn, Sawyer, Polk, Barron, Rusk, St. Croix, Dunn, Chippewa, Taylor, Pepin, Eau Claire, Clark, Buffalo, Trempealeau, Jackson & Pierce	Iron, Vilas, Florence, Price, Oneida, Forest, Lincoln, Langlade, Marathon, Shawano, Menominee, Wood, Portage, Waupaca, Adams, Waushara, Marquette & Green Lake	Marinette, Oconto, Door, Outagamie, Brown, Kewaunee, Manitowoc, Sheboygan & Winnebago, Calumet, Fond du Lac	La Crosse, Monroe, Juneau, Vernon, Sauk, Columbia, Dodge, Crawford, Richland, Grant, Iowa, Dane, Jefferson, Lafayette, Green & Rock	Washington, Ozaukee, Waukesha, Milwaukee, Walworth, Racine & Kenosha
Northeast Region: <b>November 12, 2024</b> from <b>12:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.</b>				
Northwest Region: <b>November 14, 2024</b> from <b>9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.</b>				
Southwest Region: <b>November 14, 2024</b> from <b>1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.</b>				
North Central Region: <b>November 19, 2024</b> from <b>1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.</b>				
Southeast Region: <b>November 21, 2024</b> from <b>9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.</b>				

The meeting agendas will be sent out a week before each meeting. If you are unable to attend the meeting in your region, please feel free to join another region's TIME meeting.

We look forward to your participation!

# SPECIAL EVENTS AND CONFERENCES



## July 2024

Rural Road Safety Awareness Week (7/15-7/19)

## August 2024

Wisconsin Chiefs of Police Conference (8/11-8/14)

Governor's Conference on Highway Safety (8/19-8/21)

Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over National Mobilization (8/16-9/2)

## September 2024

National Preparedness Month

Towing Industry Awareness Week (TBD)

Child Passenger Safety Week (9/15-9/21)

Mutual Aid Box Alarm System Conference (9/26-9/28)

## October 2024

Wisconsin Towns Association Conference (10/6-10/8)

National Move Over Day (10/19)

## November 2024

Snowplow Driver Appreciation Day (TBD)

Winter Awareness Week (TBD)

World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims (11/17)

Crash Responder Safety Week (11/18-11/22)

## December 2024

Impaired Driving Prevention Month

Older Driver Safety Awareness Week (12/2-12/6)

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