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Title: Cable Guard: Wait before you CUT!

**Date:** Tuesday, August 20 **Time:** 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM

Room: Guava

**Description:** Session will provide an overview of the various types of cable barrier systems located on highways in Wisconsin. In addition, the session will provide examples of incidents involving cable barrier and strategies for releasing cable tension and for safe removal of vehicles from the cable barrier as well as considerations for responder safety.

Presenter: Mason Simmons, PE, WisDOT

**BIO:** Mr. Simmons serves as the Traffic Safety Engineer and Emergency Traffic Operations Liaison for the WisDOT northeast region. Mr. Simmons has over 10 years of experience designing, implementation and enhancing safety treatments on state highways. As the Traffic Operations Liaison Mr. Simmons is responsible for conducting After Action Reviews (AAR) of significant incidents throughout the state and enhancing the Traffic Incident Management (TIM) program for WisDOT and 1st responders.

Presenter: Richard Tumaniec, PE, WisDOT

**BIO:** Mr. Tumaniec has been with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation for 26 years starting in 1998. He was a Construction/Design engineer for 6 years and a project Development project manager for 3 years before moving to traffic in 2007. He served as the NW Region ITS, Incident Management and Work Zone engineer for several years. He is now responsible for seven counties for all traffic related activities in the NW Region and serves as the Incident Management Engineer for the entire region. He has been an Emergency Traffic Control and Scene Management Guidelines Instructor since 2008.



**Title:** TIM Planning for Major Construction Projects

**Date:** Tuesday, August 20 **Time:** 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM **Room:** Aloeswood/Tamboti

**Description:** Work zones present distinct challenges for incident responders. These challenges include limited access, narrowed lanes, few refuge points, physical barriers, and reduced visibility. All these factors contribute to an elevated likelihood of incidents occurring within work zones and amplify the impact of even minor incidents on traffic operations in those areas. This session will provide an overview of the incident management process, discuss the purpose and goals of an incident management plan, identify the special needs and concerns when managing traffic incidents within a work zone, and discuss the advantages associated with deploying effective incident management strategies within a work zone.

#### Presentation Outline:

I. Overview of the IMP Process

II. Purpose and Goals of an Incident Management Plan

III. Roles and Responsibilities

IV. Strategies and Techniques for Effective Incident Management

V. Lessons Learned

**Presenter:** Charles Teasdale, Lakeside Engineers

BIO: Mr. Charles Teasdale is the Safety and Security Director for Lakeside Engineers. Charles served the Wisconsin State Patrol for 28 years and gained extensive incident management training and experience. He was the Incident Commander for the Wisconsin Complex Incident Management Team (IMT) and the Wisconsin State Patrol IMT. Charles is a FEMA-certified instructor in the National Incident Management System and has earned his Master Exercise Practitioner certificate from the Emergency Management Institute. He graduated from Northwestern University School of Police Staff and Command in 2004 and completed the FBI Law Enforcement Executive Development Seminar in 2018. He has held numerous leadership positions with national, state, and local law enforcement associations, councils, and boards. Charles is currently supporting the I-41 project in Outagamie and Brown Counties with incident management.

Presenter: Susan Paulus, PE, Lakeside Engineers

**BIO:** Ms. Susan Paulus is the Traffic Engineering Manager for Lakeside Engineers. Susan has worked extensively on projects that involve traffic control staging development, transportation management plan (TMP) development, traffic analysis, and work zone traffic control inspections. Susan is currently serving as the I-41 Traffic Management Engineer for the I-41 project in Outagamie and Brown Counties. In this role, Susan has worked closely with the Northeast Region traffic section and emergency responders to develop the Incident Management Plan. She will lead the 24/7 emergency response for the project team by coordinating with the TMC, individual project staff and contractors, WisDOT PI and emergency responders.



Title: They Did What??!: Your traffic citation's journey through the Court System

**Date:** Tuesday, August 20 **Time:** 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM

Room: Marula

**Description:** An insider's look at traffic citations in municipal and circuit courts. This will be an interactive discussion with Traffic Safety Resource Prosecutor Emily Thompson and Judicial Outreach Liaison Judge Todd Meurer. Moderated by Law Enforcement Liaison Randy Wiessinger.

Presenter: Todd E. Meurer

**BIO:** Todd E. Meurer is the municipal judge for the Western Dane County Joint Municipal Court serving the Towns of Verona and Middleton. He also is the American Bar Associations' Judicial Outreach Liaison for the State of Wisconsin. In this position he seeks to educate Wisconsin's judiciary concerning impaired driving and other highway safety issues.

He was the Manager of Municipal Court Education for the Office of Judicial Education from 2016 until 2019. Previously he served as a circuit court commissioner for Dane County from 1985 to 2015. Prior to that, he was an Assistant District Attorney for Dane County. He is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin Law School.

Judge Meurer has served as a member of several Wisconsin Supreme Court Committees editing the Wisconsin Municipal Judges Benchbook and the Wisconsin Judicial Criminal Benchbook. He is a coauthor of the Wisconsin State Bar publication "Traffic Law and Practice in Wisconsin".

**Presenter:** Emily Thompson

**BIO:** Emily Thompson is an Assistant Attorney General and Traffic Safety Resource Prosecutor (TSRP) in the Criminal Litigation Unit at the Wisconsin Department of Justice. She joined the DOJ in April of 2016. Before that, she worked as a prosecutor in the Dane County District Attorney's Office for nine years. As TSRP, Emily assists prosecutors and police with traffic-law-related issues and questions. She also prosecutes vehicular crimes throughout the State of Wisconsin. The two TSRPs travel the state providing trainings for police and prosecutors. They also host several stand-alone trainings each year for police and prosecutors, including an annual Prosecutors' Seminar on OWI and a biannual Vehicular Homicide Training, among others. Emily is a graduate of Northwestern University, Boston University, and the University of Wisconsin-Madison Law School.



Title: Wisconsin State Patrol Technical Reconstruction Unit Overview

**Date:** Tuesday, August 20 **Time:** 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM

Room: Aralia

**Description:** Learn how the Wisconsin State Patrol's Technical Reconstruction Unit (TRU) assists local law enforcement agencies with the investigation of complex traffic crashes. The TRU can determine the cause of the crash, who was operating the vehicle at the time of the crash, who was at fault, and other situations that occur during complex traffic crash investigations. The TRU will explain when they should be called, what their role is when they respond, and the importance of evidence preservation at a crash.

**Presenter:** Tracy Drager

**BIO:** Tracy Drager has been a trooper with the Wisconsin State Patrol since 2011. She spent the first five years of her career patrolling the Sauk County Interstate specializing in highway criminal interdiction and instructing various subjects. In 2016 she was assigned to the Technical Reconstruction Unit (TRU). As a member of the TRU, she responds to and investigates fatal and serious injury motor vehicle crashes which have a high likelihood of resulting in criminal litigation, and testifies as an expert witness in court. She became an ACTAR accredited reconstruction specialist in 2018, and has presented at conferences and taught numerous classes on her specialized field. Since 2017, Trooper Drager has been a member of several committees regarding the emergence of connected and autonomous vehicles (CAV) in the State of Wisconsin. She assisted with creating and was featured in the CAV training video in 2022, which will eventually be viewed by all law enforcement officers throughout the state.

Title: "Too Confused to Drive?? - DOSCI - a Roadside Tool to Screen for Cognitive Impairment"

**Date:** Tuesday, August 20 **Time:** 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM

Room: Mangrove

**Description:** "DOSCI - the Driver Orientation Screen for Cognitive Impairment - is an evidence-based tool that can rapidly determine if a driver is too confused to safely drive (after being stopped for poor driving behaviors or possible impaired driving). Cognitive impairment - most frequently associated with older drivers - is one aspect of aging that can lead to unsafe driving. Learn how aging can affect safe driving, signs driving is being affected by aging, and ways to increase safety of aging drivers and others on the road.

**Presenter:** Joanie Somes

**BIO:** Joan Somes, PhD, RN-BC, CEN, CPEN, FAEN, NRP, spent 40 years as an emergency department nurse and has been an emergency care educator for 48 years. She currently works for Regions Hospital EMS as a critical care educator. She also does special projects related to stroke care for the Minnesota Department of Health. Joan is the chair of the Minnesota Emergency Nurses Association's (ENA) Quality, Safety, and Injury Prevention Committee. As chair of the committee, she applied for and was awarded a DPS/OTS grant for the past 6 years to develop and carry out a statewide initiative which increases awareness of physical and cognitive changes that occur with aging, ways to recognize how these changes affect driving, options to consider when encountering someone who is becoming less safe on the road, or to take if you are that "someone". Part of this initiative was to introduce the Driver Orientation Screen for Cognitive Impairment (DOSCI) roadside screening tool to law enforcement and others.



Title: Crash Data, More Than Just Insurance Data

**Date:** Tuesday, August 20 **Time:** 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM

Room: Tamarind

**Description:** Come learn about how crash and health data are collected and used to improve the safety

of our roads.

Presenter: John Campbell

**BIO:** John R. Campbell IV, P.E., RSP2I, is the Director of Traffic Engineering Safety Services at Traffic Analysis & Design Inc. (TADI), which is based in southeastern Wisconsin. He serves public and private clients in Wisconsin and other nearby states. John has an undergraduate degree in Civil Engineering from Marquette University and a master's degree from the University of Wisconsin – Madison.

John has over 20 years of professional experience and is passionate about building partnerships at state and local levels, reducing crashes via the safe system approach, and advocating for funding of safety improvements. John serves as an Executive Member of ITE's Vision Zero Standing Committee and is a graduate of the Leadership ITE program. John enjoys time with his wife and two girls, and teaching tricks to their dog, Peanut the Pug.

**Presenter:** Peter Lynkiewicz

**BIO:** Sergeant Peter Lynkiewicz has been employed by the City of Muskego Police Department since June of 2000 and primarily involved in the uniformed patrol function. He earned a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Criminology and Law Studies from Marquette University and an Associate Degree in Police Science from Waukesha County Technical College. Sgt. Lynkiewicz is also an instructor for Vehicle Contacts and Emergency Vehicle Operation and Control (EVOC), at Waukesha County Technical College for recruits and in-service law enforcement. Sergeant Lynkiewicz is currently the primary source of vehicle weight enforcement and most traffic-related incidents, including vehicle crash investigations and reporting, at the department. He has also represented the Muskego Police Department on the Waukesha County Traffic Safety Commission for the past decade.

Presenter: Adam Francour

**BIO:** Adam Francour is a research staff member at the University of Wisconsin-Madison Traffic Operations and Safety Laboratory (TOPS Lab). Adam joined the TOPS Lab full-time in 2015 after earning a bachelor's degree in civil engineering from UW-Madison. He currently works with both the Traffic Safety and Transportation Systems Management and Operation (TSM&O) groups. One of his roles with the TOPS Lab is managing the Crash Outcome Data Evaluation (CODES) project. Adam also has a background as a first responder, earning an AAS in Fire Protection from the Wisconsin Technical College system and worked as a licensed Emergency Medical Technician in the State of Wisconsin.



Title: Traffic Incident Management in Hazardous Materials Spills in Incident Clearance

Date: Tuesday, August 20 Time: 2:15 PM – 3:15 PM

Room: Guava

**Description:** Hazardous material spills provide unique challenges to traffic incident clearance. Not only do response personnel have to deal with the challenges posed in a typical traffic incident, they also have to work with chemical hazards, the environmental impacts to the surrounding community, and the additional safety requirements needed to work with hazardous materials. This type of event increases the confusion that exists at a normal traffic incident, and it may greatly reduce the normal capacity of roadways beyond the confines of the accident locality. All of these factors combine to increase the impact that even a minor incident has on traffic operations. Traffic incident management (TIM) and spill management are two of the tools in the "responder's toolbox" that focus on reducing congestion. TIM focuses on developing procedures, implementing policies, and deploying technologies to identify incidents more quickly, improve response times, and manage the incident scene more effectively and efficiently. Spill management attempts to reduce the amount of time needed to clean-up and dispose of a hazardous spill and deploys strategies for moving traffic more effectively through an impacted area without jeopardizing the safety of the victims, responders or the traveling public. In addition to being able to recognize the types of hazardous materials that might be at the incident site, the responders must be aware of the pertinent regulations covering the handling and disposal of the identified materials. This course will provide an overview of practices, regulatory implications and management principles need to effectively manage these events.

**Presenter:** Chris Hohol

BIO: Chris has more than 38 years of experience in disaster response, public safety, emergency management, occupational safety risk management and various other classified activities supporting the US Government. Experience includes both industry and governmental settings. Chris has held various positions including North American Emergency Services Director for a large multi- national federal contractor where for 18 years he and his teams responded and managed many large incidents of national significance including response to notable events such as 12 Hurricanes, the Space Shuttle recovery over Texas, and Deep Water Horizon. Chris' responsibilities have also included serving on various state and federal advisory committees and as a Chief of several fire departments. Chris currently serves as Planning Section Chief for the state of Wisconsin's Type 3 Incident Management Team and Fire Chief for the Town of Ledgeview WI.



Title: 2024 TIM Module Update

**Date:** Tuesday, August 20 **Time:** 2:15 PM – 3:15 PM **Room:** Aloeswood/Tamboti

**Description:** This course will provide an update to the new FHWA TIM modules which include Tech and

Focus (Rural TIM) modules.

**Presenter:** Michael Jungbluth, ETO/TIME Program Manager – Lakeside Engineers

**BIO:** Mr. Jungbluth serves as the Program Manager for the WisDOT Emergency Transportation Operations (ETO) and Traffic Incident Management Enhancement (TIME) Programs. Mr. Jungbluth has 30 years of progressively responsible, complex law enforcement field and managerial experience. He served the last five years of his law enforcement career, as the Chief of Police for the 10th largest municipal law enforcement agency in the State of Wisconsin. As the TIME program manager, Mr. Jungbluth is responsible for conducting After Action Reviews (AAR) of significant incidents throughout the state. He is a former EMT, adjunct professor and is a registered nurse.

Presenter: Dan Kontos

**BIO:** Daniel Kontos retired as the Chief Deputy at the Portage County Sheriff's Office. He is a longtime supporter and master instructor trainer in Traffic Incident Management for both the Wisconsin Department of Transportation and the Federal Highway Administration. He currently serves as a law enforcement liaison with the Bureau of Transportation Safety at the Wisconsin State Patrol/Wisconsin DOT.



**Title:** Best Practices for Delayed Recoveries

Date: Tuesday, August 20 Time: 2:15 PM – 3:15 PM

Room: Marula

**Description:** Delayed Recoveries: When to implement, how to track, and who should know. In this presentation, we will discuss the implementation of delayed recoveries of vehicles involved in slide-offs and crashes. Who should be contacted for traffic data and in the event of multiple events, how they should be tracked so they can be removed in a safe, orderly fashion. This allows first responders to be free to respond to other incidents. Highway departments and wrecker services can give their crews proper rest and recovery, and they can plan resources.

Presenter: Lt. E. Philip Witkiewicz, Wisconsin State Patrol

**BIO:** Lt. E. Philip Witkiewicz currently serves as the executive officer of the Wisconsin State Patrol's Deforest Post. He has been in law enforcement for 17 years. Through his time as a supervisor with the State Patrol, he has been involved in the mitigation of many transportation incidents. To include, delayed and immediate recovery decisions based on the severity of the incident and the impact to the traveling public. As the executive officer, he is responsible for the training and implementation of the delayed recovery philosophy in the Southwest Region of the State Patrol. Prior to his career in law enforcement Lt. Witkiewicz attended UW-Eau Claire and earned a bachelor's degree in business management and served in the United States Army as a combat medic.



Title: Drone Use in Crash Reconstruction

**Date:** Tuesday, August 20 **Time:** 2:15 PM – 3:15 PM

Room: Aralia

**Description:** Learn how the Wisconsin State Patrol's Aerial Support Unit (ASU) utilizes emerging technologies to efficiently map crash scenes, capture critical evidence, and assist with incident clearance to restore traffic flow after critical incidents.

Presenter: Glen Jones

BIO: Glen Jones has been an officer with the Wisconsin State Patrol since 1986. His current assignment is as a supervisor within the Special Operations Section, overseeing the Technical Reconstruction Unit. He has been accredited by ACTAR, the Accreditation Commission for Traffic Accident Reconstructionists, since 2012. Glen brings a unique perspective to crash reconstruction, as he has previously supervised the Racine Safety and Weight Enforcement Facility and was certified by the Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance to conduct Inspections on Commercial Motor Vehicles, including HAZMAT, Cargo Tanks, Bulk Containers, Passenger Vehicles and Compliance Reviews. Glen is also an FAA Certified Unmanned Aerial System (UAS) Pilot and oversees the State Patrol's UAS (Drone) Program. He has investigated a variety of high-profile cases, including criminal motor vehicle homicide cases, Officer Involved Death (OID) investigations and Line of Duty Death Investigations. Glen is a graduate of the Northwestern University School of Police Staff and Command (SPSC) and The International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) Leadership in Police Organizations (LPO). Glen also served on several committees for the National Law Enforcement Officer Memorial Fund, located in Washington, D.C., and he served on the Executive Committee of the National Troopers' Coalition, most recently as Second Vice-Chairman of that organization.



Title: Traffic Safety Commissions: A Resource for Growing Traffic Safety Culture

**Date:** Tuesday, August 20 **Time:** 2:15 PM – 3:15 PM

**Room:** Mangrove

**Description:** During this session, participants will learn how they can leverage required members of their county traffic safety commissions to grow traffic safety culture. Jay Otto, with the Center for Health and Safety Culture, will share ideas on how to foster engagement with commission members like law enforcement, education, public works, WisDOT, healthcare, judiciary, and others by using a cultural lens. The interactive session will include both sharing of new ideas and opportunities for participants to apply the ideas to their local contexts.

Presenter: Jay Otto

**BIO:** Jay Otto is a researcher and former Co-Director for the Center for Health and Safety Culture at Montana State University. Jay received a Bachelor's and Master's degree in engineering from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He is fascinated by human behavior, how mindsets and systems influence behavior, and ways of growing cultures within communities and organizations that foster improved health and safety. His areas of interest include traffic safety, substance misuse prevention, and violence prevention. Jay lives in rural Vermont where he is slowly working to improve his woodworking skills.



**TITLE:** Life Cycle of an Impaired Driver

**Date:** Tuesday, August 20 **Time:** 2:15 PM – 3:15 PM

Room: Tamarind

**Description:** Impaired driving offenses are some of the most contested and hardest challenged cases. But, how do you successfully get from the traffic stop to conviction? Officers need to collaborate with multiple people, including attorneys, toxicologists, other agencies, etc. Using a case study, this session will walk officers through the traffic stop, roadside interviews, field sobriety testing, processing the arrested subject, follow up evidence collection, report writing, and testifying in court. You will learn from mistakes made, glean better ways to collaborate with those involved in a case, and be prepared for tough cases to increase your likelihood of success in impaired driving cases.

**Presenter:** Chief Doug Vierck

**BIO:** Chief Doug Vierck has been a law enforcement officer since 2007. He has worked as a patrol officer, a field training officer, a lieutenant, a drug investigator as part of a county drug unit, and currently serves as Chief of Police for the Mount Horeb Police Department. Doug has experience in Patrol, Investigations, Supervision, Leadership, Budgeting, Training, Crisis intervention, and IT management. His main focus throughout his career has been impaired driving enforcement, leadership, and instructing, teaching over 1,000 students to date.

Doug is an IACP-certified Drug Recognition Expert (DRE), DRE Instructor, DRE Regional Coordinator, and a member of the Wisconsin DRE Oversight Committee. Doug is certified as a DWI Detection and Standardized Field Sobriety Testing (SFST) Instructor and Master Instructor. Doug teaches Standardized Field Sobriety Testing, Drugs that Impair Driving, Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement (ARIDE), and Drug Impairment Training for the Educational Professional (DITEP). In addition to impaired driving, Doug is also certified as a Scenario Instructor and a Criminal Justice Instructor Development Course Instructor. As an instructor, Doug teaches department inservice, other courses for officers, educators, students, and parents. Doug also gives presentations on drugs to community organizations.

Doug received a degree in 2006 from UW-Whitewater in Sociology with an emphasis on Criminal Justice. He graduated from Marquette University in 2013 with a Graduate Certificate in Law Enforcement Leadership and Management and completed the UW-Madison Certified Public Manager Program in June 2016. Doug also completed his Master's Degree in Criminal Justice Administration through UW-Platteville. Doug has over 17 years of leadership experience between the public and private sector.

Doug has received awards for Outstanding Achievement in the DRE program, Top Ten DRE, Chief's Award, and Officer of the Year.



Title: Alternative Fuel Response

**Date:** Tuesday, August 20 **Time:** 3:45 PM – 5:00 PM

Room: Guava

**Description:** Participants are trained on the differences between alternative fuel vehicles and their conventional counterparts and on the proper procedures for safely addressing incidents involving natural gas, propane autogas, hydrogen, electric drive, ethanol and biofuel powered vehicles. Participants learn the steps required to secure an alternative fuel vehicle (AFV), how to rescue occupants from a damaged AFV, and proper fire response to an alternative fuel fire. The course details the risks and hazards common to alternative fuel storage, including high-voltage batteries and high pressure gaseous fuel cylinders.

**Presenter:** Chris Hohol

BIO: Chris has more than 38 years of experience in disaster response, public safety, emergency management, occupational safety risk management and various other classified activities supporting the US Government. Experience includes both industry and governmental settings. Chris has held various positions including North American Emergency Services Director for a large multi- national federal contractor where for 18 years he and his teams responded and managed many large incidents of national significance including response to notable events such as 12 Hurricanes, the Space Shuttle recovery over Texas, and Deep Water Horizon. Chris' responsibilities have also included serving on various state and federal advisory committees and as a Chief of several fire departments. Chris currently serves as Planning Section Chief for the state of Wisconsin's Type 3 Incident Management Team and Fire Chief for the Town of Ledgeview, Wisconsin.



Title: Roadside Interviewing and Re-establishing Rapport Post Arrest

**Date:** Tuesday, August 20 **Time:** 3:45 PM – 5:00 PM **Room:** Aloeswood/Tamboti

**Description:** Don't settle for the "two beers" answer. This interactive session will improve your communication skills leading to more voluntary toxicology samples and more convictions!

Presenter: Dave Kopenhaver

**BIO:** Dave Kopenhaver, native of Williamsport, Pennsylvania has served communities for the past thirty-one years retiring in May of 2022. He began his law enforcement career in 1991 serving six years in the United States Marine Corps as a military police officer. After being honorably discharged, he started his civilian law enforcement career in South Carolina.

Over the past twenty five years he has held several leadership positions such as the Coordinator of the 14th Circuit Law Enforcement Network and South Carolina Impaired Driving Coordinator (DRE Coordinator). Dave has served as an instructor at the South Carolina Criminal Justice Academy in the Traffic Safety Unit having trained 200 DRE's and over 3,000 officers in field sobriety and DUI enforcement. In addition to South Carolina, he has presented across the country at industry conferences and law enforcement training courses.

With his education and expertise in standardize field sobriety testing Dave has been qualified as an expert witness in municipal magistrate, state courts and has been disposed as an expert witness in federal courts.

Dave has volunteered on his off hours as an impaired driving education expert speaker and has participated in a number of community impact panels. He has been fortunate enough to be recognized by several organizations such as Mothers Against Drunk Driving, SC Office of Highway Safety, American Legion, SC National Safety Council and the National Criminal Enforcement Association.



**Title:** E-Bike Essentials; Safety and Skills

**Date:** Tuesday, August 20 **Time:** 3:45 PM – 5:00 PM

Room: Marula

**Description:** E-bike usage is spreading like lightning for users of all age groups. This class will include a presentation on state laws about e-bike operation, general maintenance and storage tips, and address common misconceptions and etiquette. After the presentation attendees will be able to test ride a pedal assist e-bike to better understand their operation.

Presenter: Jake Newborn

**BIO:** Jake Newborn is the Assistant Director for the Wisconsin Bike Fed. Jake has been with the Bike Fed for 16 years while focusing on a large variety of education programs, events, and advocacy issues. Based in Milwaukee, he enjoys biking with his daughter to school, going on family bike camping trips, and riding to Brewers games.



**Title:** Automated Enforcement **Date:** Tuesday, August 20 **Time:** 3:45 PM – 5:00 PM

Room: Aralia

**Description:** According to NHTSA, 11,258 crashes or 29% of all motor vehicle fatalities occurred in speed-related crashes in 2020. NHTSA also reports the estimated economic cost of speed-related crashes is about \$52 billion a year. According to IIHS, as of September 2022, speed cameras were in operation in 179 U.S. communities in 18 states and the District of Columbia, according to media sources and other public information tracked by IIHS but are currently illegal in Wisconsin. Are traffic safety cameras a needed safety tool or a invasion of privacy. Legislation has been introduced to create a pilot program for Automated Enforcement in the City of Milwaukee and as expected some people fully support it while others oppose it. But do we really know enough about automated enforcement to take an educated position? Our conference keynote speaker, Melissa Wandall, Sgt Mark Patterson, and Nick Jarmusz and City of Milwaukee Vision Zero Director Jessica Wineberg for a candid discussion on will be participating in a panel discussion as strive to learn about the benefits and the pitfalls of this traffic safety tool.

**Presenter:** Melissa Wandall (See keynote speaker bio)

Presenter: Jessica Wineberg

BIO: As the first Vision Zero Policy Director for the City of Milwaukee, Jessica is honored to be a part of the citywide effort to eliminate traffic fatalities and life changing injuries by 2037. Starting out as a Bicycle Ambassador and Union Organizer in Chicago, she has since served as the Deputy Director at the Wisconsin Bike Fed, founded MilWALKee Walks, and oversaw day to day operations and long-range planning for the Oak Leaf Trail. She completed a double major in Urban Studies and Geography at Macalester College. Through collaboration and community involvement in transportation, she works towards equity, health, safety, economic, and climate resiliency benefits for all. She lives in Riverwest and is a proud MPS parent who lets her teen son walk, bike, and bus throughout the City. Through Vision Zero, she hopes to help all children gain the freedom to safely move throughout the City.

Presenter: Sgt Mark Patterson

**BIO:** Sgt Mark Patterson started in law enforcement in 1997, currently a Sergeant for Lacrosse County Sheriff's Office for the last 10 years, President of the Wisconsin Sheriff and Deputy Sheriffs Association, Highway Safety Coordinator For Lacrosse County, Radar and Laser instructor, Drone pilot and head of our drone team.

**Presenter:** Nick Jarmusz

BIO: Nick Jarmusz has served as Director of Public Affairs for AAA – The Auto Club Group since 2014. In this role he manages external affairs, media relations, and advocacy efforts in Illinois, Indiana Wisconsin, Iowa and Nebraska. Nick previously spent seven years as a Public Affairs Specialist for AAA, coordinating events, programs and special projects to promote safety among the most vulnerable roadway users: children, teens and seniors. Prior to joining AAA, Nick worked for the Institute of Real Estate Management, the Naperville Area Chamber of Commerce, and the Boy Scouts of America. Nick is a graduate of DePaul University in Chicago, where he earned a B.A. in political science. He and his wife, Carrie, live in Cottage Grove, Wisconsin with their three children.



Title: Car Seat Basics for Law Enforcement

**Date:** Tuesday, August 20 **Time:** 3:45 PM – 5:00 PM

Room: Mangrove

**Description:** This national training short course will equip law enforcement officers with the knowledge to:

- 1. Take an active role in assessing car seat use, according to evidence-based best practices,
- 2. Talk to caregivers about child passenger safety, and
- 3. Share child passenger safety local and national resources with caregivers.

Participation in this session will not provide Child Passenger Safety Technician certification, a requirement for assisting caregivers with car seat installations. The information provided is meant to assist officers in the field to recognize misuse and direct caregivers to Child Passenger Safety Technicians and other resources when necessary.

**Presenter:** Jodi Hager – Dane County Sheriff's Office

**BIO:** Deputy Jodi Hager is a 6-year veteran of the Dane County Sheriff's Office. Formerly working in the Security Division, she now serves in the Field Division as a Community Deputy for the West side of the county. Deputy Hager has been a Child Passenger Safety Technician (CPS) since March of 2022. She utilizes her CPS skills to help educate the public during routine traffic stops, car seat inspections and back to school safety events.

**Presenter:** Robert Simpson – WI State Patrol

**BIO:** Robert Simpson is a Master Trooper of 30 years with Wisconsin State Patrol. He became a Certified Child Passenger Safety Technician in 2006, and uses his training to identify car seat and seat belt misuse and educate caregivers during traffic stops. His headquarters is in Waukesha, where he has established a permanent child passenger safety fitting station and offers weekly car seat inspections.



Title: Innovative Engineering Solutions and New Technologies to Help Inform Targeted

Law Enforcement

Date: Tuesday, August 20

Time: 3:45 PM - 5:00 PM

Room: Tamarind

**Description:** Learn how Wisconsin is using engineering solutions to improve roadway safety and how data can be used to help with targeted enforcement efforts.

Presenter: Dan Brugman

**BIO:** Dan Brugman is a safety engineer at the Wisconsin Department of Transportation. In his role he is responsible for managing the safety engineering program by overseeing policies that assist with implementing the Department's Strategic Highway Safety Plan and also supports the Highway Safety Improvement Program. Dan provides technical review and support for traffic safety analyses. Dan has over 10 years of experience at WisDOT which covered roles in airport planning and design, traffic engineering, scoping, and safety engineering. He is a graduate of Michigan Technological University and holds a Bachelor of Science degree in civil engineering with a minor in municipal engineering.

Presenter: John Campbell

**BIO:** John R. Campbell IV, P.E., RSP2I, is the Director of Traffic Engineering Safety Services at Traffic Analysis & Design Inc. (TADI), which is based in southeastern Wisconsin. He serves public and private clients in Wisconsin and other nearby states. John has an undergraduate degree in Civil Engineering from Marquette University and a master's degree from the University of Wisconsin – Madison and serves as an executive member of ITE's Vision Zero Standing Committee. John has over 20 years of professional experience and is passionate about building partnerships at state and local levels to reduce crashes and invest in safety. John enjoys time with his wife and two girls, and teaching tricks to their dog, Peanut the Pug.



**Title:** Response to incidents involving livestock in transport: Creating better outcomes

for responders, the public and the livestock we are assisting

**Date:** Wednesday, August 21 **Time:** 9:15 AM – 10:30 AM

Room: Guava

**Description:** Roadway incidents involving livestock present significant challenges that can be outside the standard policies of roadway incident management. These incidents may often involve multiple animals, the animal owners, and the public. From securing the scene, managing loose animals, and ultimately resolving the incident; preplanning, consideration of policies and understanding critical concepts when working with livestock will lead to faster, safer, and better outcomes for all involved. These types of incidents do not occur that frequently, but when they do, they can be extremely dangerous to responders as well as the motoring public. This presentation will outline strategies to best mitigate roadway incidents involving livestock.

**Presenter:** Dr. Howard Ketover, Wisconsin Large Animal Emergency Response

BIO: Dr. Howard Ketover received his bachelor's and Veterinary degree from Colorado State University. He became active in large animal technical rescue in 2006, and founded Irongate Equine Clinic, a four-doctor equine ambulatory practice located in Madison, Wisconsin in 2008. Dr Ketover is currently an active member of the National Veterinary Response team formed under the National Disaster Medical System. He possesses certifications in Large Animal Rescue Technician, Rope Rescue Technician I & II, Static Water Operations, Swift Water Rescue Technician II, Confined Space Technician, Animal Ice Rescue Operations, Animal Decontamination Basic Operations. In 2012, Dr. Ketover cofounded Wisconsin Large Animal Emergency Response, a non-profit 501c(3) organization that brings large animal technical rescue training to Animal Control Officers, Fire Fighters, Law Enforcement, Veterinarians and Veterinary Technicians. Dr. Ketover has worked closely with multiple mounted law enforcement agencies to bring emergency rescue principles to the departments.



Title: Large Scale Crash - lessons learned

**Date:** Wednesday, August 21 **Time:** 9:15 AM – 10:30 AM **Room:** Aloeswood/Tamboti

**Description:** Learn how the Wisconsin State Patrol responded to the biggest crash in Wisconsin history with the help of all our local partners. Follow through the decisions that were made on the scene that help to mitigate, investigate, and clear the crash scene. Talk to the on-scene OIC, regional Duty Sergeant and a member of the WI State Patrol TRU that was on scene assisting. Lessons learned, mistakes made and things that went well will all be discussed.

**Presenter:** Sgt Craig Morehouse

**BIO:** Sergeant Craig Morehouse has been with the Wisconsin State Patrol since 1998. He spent the first 19 years of his career as a Trooper in Jefferson County primarily working 3rd shift on I-94 enforcing traffic and OWI laws. In 2017 he was promoted to oversee the La Prairie SWEF facility and work unit. Sgt Morehouse is certified in all the CVSA disciplines to include CMV Hours of Service, Equipment, Hazmat and Passenger Vehicle inspections. Sgt Morehouse also instructs at both the WI State Patrol Academy and local tech schools.

**Presenter:** Sgt Courtney Mueller

**BIO:** Sergeant Courtney Mueller has been with the Wisconsin State Patrol since 2016. She spent the first five years of her career patrolling in Monroe, Jefferson, and Rock Counties. In 2021 she was assigned to the Technical Reconstruction Unit (TRU). As a member of the TRU she responded to and investigated fatal and serious injury motor vehicle crashes. Sergeant Mueller has taught numerous classes relating to crash scene response and crash scene reconstruction. In 2023, she promoted to Sergeant and now supervises the Dane County Motor Carrier work unit and oversees the Madison Size and Weight Enforcement Facility. Sergeant Mueller is certified through CVSA in CMV Hours of Service, Equipment, and Hazmat.

Presenter: Sgt Charlotte Gyllin

**BIO:** Sergeant Charlotte Gyllin has been with the Wisconsin State Patrol (WSP) since 2011. She spent the first six years of her career patrolling Juneau and Monroe Counties primarily working 2nd and 3rd shift. She was selected to be an Assistant Training Officer in 2016 for the 61st Recruit Class and in 2017 for the 62nd Recruit Class for the WSP. In 2017 she was promoted to Sergeant and was a Program Director at the Wisconsin State Patrol Academy where she was the Program Director for the WSP Recruit Classes, Defensive and Arrest Tactics (DAAT), Conducted Energy Weapons (CEW), CPR/ First Aid, Physical Readiness Testing, and Motor Carrier trainings. Sgt. Gyllin has assisted with instructing and trainings at the Wisconsin State Patrol and is a DOJ certified instructor in the areas of Scenario Instructor, Defensive Tactics Instructor, LE Physical Fitness Assessor, Vehicle Contacts Instructor, Tactical Response Instructor and a Professional Communications Instructor. In 2022, she transferred to the field and now supervises the Juneau County work unit.



Title: CAV Panel: Public Attitudes and Perceptions

Date: Wednesday, August 21 Time: 9:15 AM – 10:30 AM

Room: Marula

**Description:** Connected and Automated vehicles (CAVs) hold promise to improve safety on our roadways, but how does the public perceive these technologies? This session presents the results of several public perception studies of CAVs. The Wisconsin CAV Public Perception Survey studied Wisconsinites' understanding of (CAVs) through a large-scale (N=915) survey based on a random sample of Wisconsin households. The results include Wisconsinites' acceptance of early testing; their perceived benefits, drawbacks, and barriers to CAV implementation; and the implications for potential WisDOT action. This session will also feature results from several studies sponsored by the American Automobile Association (AAA) including on partial automation and ADAS systems and a national survey on attitudes towards self-driving cars.

**Presenter:** Nick Jarmusz

**BIO:** Nick Jarmusz is Director of Public Affairs for AAA Wisconsin. He oversees community affairs, media relations, traffic safety advocacy and corporate citizenship efforts for the AAA's operations in Wisconsin.

Presenter: Brad Basten

**BIO:** Brad Basten is the strategic initiatives officer for CAV in WisDOT's Division of Budget and Strategic Initiatives. He led the 2018 Governor's Steering Committee on Connected and Autonomous Vehicles and has managed the Wisconsin Automated Vehicle External Advisory Committee since its inception in 2020. His background is in electrical and mechanical engineering, having 25 years of experience in manufacturing engineering, process improvement and business consulting in various industries.

Presenter: Andrew McFadden

**BIO:** Andrew McFadden is a researcher at the TOPS Lab. He has a diverse background in private, municipal, state, and academic organizations. He has prepared numerous technical reports for state DOTs and has organized stakeholder meetings and technical workshops. He is currently working on multiple CAV projects in Wisconsin including an AV pilot with the City of Racine and Gateway Community College and a CV pilot with the City of Madison, TAPCO, and WisDOT.



Title: Roadside Interviewing and Re-establishing Rapport Post Arrest

**Date:** Wednesday, August 21 **Time:** 9:15 AM – 10:30 AM

Room: Aralia

**Description:** Don't settle for the "two beers" answer. This interactive session will improve your communication skills leading to more voluntary toxicology samples and more convictions!

**Presenter:** Dave Kopenhaver

**BIO:** Dave Kopenhaver, native of Williamsport, Pennsylvania has served communities for the past thirty-one years retiring in May of 2022. He began his law enforcement career in 1991 serving six years in the United States Marine Corps as a military police officer. After being honorably discharged, he started his civilian law enforcement career in South Carolina.

Over the past twenty five years he has held several leadership positions such as the Coordinator of the 14th Circuit Law Enforcement Network and South Carolina Impaired Driving Coordinator (DRE Coordinator). Dave has served as an instructor at the South Carolina Criminal Justice Academy in the Traffic Safety Unit having trained 200 DRE's and over 3,000 officers in field sobriety and DUI enforcement. In addition to South Carolina, he has presented across the country at industry conferences and law enforcement training courses.

With his education and expertise in standardize field sobriety testing Dave has been qualified as an expert witness in municipal magistrate, state courts and has been disposed as an expert witness in federal courts.

Dave has volunteered on his off hours as an impaired driving education expert speaker and has participated in a number of community impact panels. He has been fortunate enough to be recognized by several organizations such as Mothers Against Drunk Driving, SC Office of Highway Safety, American Legion, SC National Safety Council and the National Criminal Enforcement Association.



**Title:** SPEEDING - discussion continues

**Date:** Wednesday, August 21 **Time:** 9:15 AM – 10:30 AM

Room: Mangrove

**Description:** This session will be an INTERACTIVE discussion related to speeding, which has been and remains a leading factor in injury and fatality crashes. Let's talk openly about the elephant(s) in the room – "why" do we have a speeding problem? Admitting and understanding the why will allow us to brainstorm "how" we start effective change.

Presenter: Andrea Bill

**BIO:** Ms. Andrea Bill is the Director of the Wisconsin Local Technical Assistance Program and Associate Director of the Traffic Operations and Safety Laboratory and at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. With these dual roles, she has been bringing research to technology transfer through in person and virtual webinars throughout Wisconsin and the U.S. She focuses on safe system, human factors, traffic operations, work zone design, incident management, roadway lighting, engineering ethics, connected and automated vehicles, and traffic safety. She is a passionate advocate for making research tangible to practitioners and to foster implementation and widespread adoption. She is actively involved in the Transportation Research Board, Institute of Transportation Engineers, Association of Traffic Safety Information Professionals, and American Society of Engineering Education.

**Presenter:** Randy Wiessinger

**BIO:** Randy Wiessinger retired from the Dane County Sheriff's Office in 2015 after 29 years in law enforcement. Wiessinger worked in all divisions of the Sheriff's Office and was a member of the Honor Guard for 25 years. At the time of his retirement, Wiessinger was assigned to the Traffic Enforcement Team, was the Team Leader for the Motor Unit, Team Leader for the Honor Guard, and the Chair of the Dane County Traffic Safety Commission. He also serves as a member of the WI Law Enforcement Death Response Team, WI Concerns of Police Survivors Board, WI Law Enforcement Memorial Board, and the WI Honor Guard Association. Since 2015, Wiessinger has been a Consultant, providing contracted services for WisDOT Bureau of Transportation Safety as a Law Enforcement Liaison.



**Title:** Wrong Way Driving Efforts **Date:** Wednesday, August 21 **Time:** 9:15 AM – 10:30 AM

Room: Tamarind

**Description:** This session investigates the emerging issue of wrong way drivers (WWD) on Wisconsin highways. A case study of a multiple fatal wrong way driving crash will be presented along with crash statistics and WisDOT's growing efforts to reduce WWD crashes. The session then presents how lowa DOT has implemented low cost Wrong Way Driving (WWD) signing and pavement marking countermeasures at over 350 locations across lowa in 2021. As part of this effort lowa DOT added traffic cameras at selected locations that can detect a Wrong Way Driver, giving them the ability to see what treatments work and what still needs additional or completely different safety treatments. Iowa DOT's greatest success was in the reduction of WWD crashes at partial cloverleaf interchange entrance/ exit ramps. These locations have seen an 88% reduction in WWD incidents at 7 monitored locations and a 100% reduction in WWD crashes.

Presenter: Tony Kemnitz, PE, PTOE, Wisconsin DOT

**BIO:** Mr. Kemnitz serves as a Traffic Safety Engineer for the North Central Region office of the Wisconsin Department of Transportation. Tony regularly works to Identify and develop safety improvements on State and US highways. He also serves as WisDOT representative at the region's county traffic safety commission meetings where he assists local agencies with emerging highway safety issues. He is a graduate of UW Platteville with a bachelor's degree in civil engineering. Tony's commitment to public safety extends into his personal life where he serves as an auxiliary police officer and volunteer firefighter.

Presenter: Willy Sorensen, PE, Iowa DOT

**BIO:** Mr. Sorenson is a traffic safety engineer with the lowa Department of Transportation Traffic and Safety Bureau. He assists the Office Director and others with "Special Projects". One of the "Special Projects" Willy has embraced is Wrong Way Driving. Willy's goal is to use technology to understand wrong way driving and then use traditional engineering signing and pavement marking tools to reduce the chance of wrong way driving to help lower traffic deaths in Iowa. He is a graduate from Iowa State University, with a bachelor's degree in civil engineering.

Presenter: Captain Kyle Wiskirchen, Waupaca County Sheriff's Office

**BIO:** Kyle Wiskirchen currently serves as Patrol Captain at the Waupaca County Sheriff's Office. Captain Wiskirchen has been in law enforcement for over 17 years and served in many roles throughout his career. Captain Wiskirchen began his career as a Reserve Deputy, then began full time Corrections before moving onto become a Patrol Deputy. During his tenure in Patrol, Captain Wiskirchen has been promoted through the ranks as Narcotics Investigator, Patrol Sergeant, Patrol Lieutenant and into his current position as Patrol Captain. Captain Wiskirchen's career is marked by several additional accomplishments and responsibilities, including SWAT Commander, Grant Administrator, Traffic Safety Coordinator, serving on Honor Guard and also the implementation of a Drone Team. Captain Wiskirchen has also been tasked with the investigation, as well as investigation supervision, of wrong way drivers on I-39 and USH 10. This includes OWI investigations, traffic crashes as well as mitigation of traffic impacts in those situations.



**Title:** Putting Crash Data to Work **Date:** Wednesday, August 21 **Time:** 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Room: Guava

**Description:** This session will have three parts. The first part will focus on how enhanced safety screening can translate to targeted safety initiatives on local roads. The second part will focus on how engineers determine where to invest in safety improvements and the final part will focus on the effectiveness of those treatments.

Presenter: Kevin Scopoline

**BIO:** Kevin Scopoline is a Traffic Safety Engineer with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) within the Bureau of Traffic Operations (BTO) for the last 10 years. His primary roles are to create policy and review projects focusing on improving safety. Prior to his work at WisDOT, Kevin was a student at the University of Wisconsin Madison where he earned his bachelor's and master's degree.

**Presenter:** Boris Claros

BIO: Dr. Boris Claros is a Scientist in the Traffic Operations and Safety Laboratory (TOPS) with ample experience in transportation safety modeling and analysis. He has extensive work with data collection and processing for development of calibration factors, calibration functions, crash modifications factors (CMFs), and crash prediction models (SPFs). Dr. Claros has calibrated the Highway Safety Manual (HSM) models in multiple projects, which included intersections, interchange facilities, arterial, and freeway facilities. CMFs developed by Dr. Claros include the implementation of J-turns, Diverging Diamond Interchange (DDI), red light running cameras, and interchange roundabout ramp terminals. In the modeling aspect, he has developed project level and network screening crash prediction models in Missouri and Wisconsin. Recently, Dr. Claros led research efforts to evaluate the effectiveness of treatments as part of the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP), developed Wisconsin specific CMFs for roundabouts, and he has collaborated with local agencies such as Madison MPO and the City of Madison to develop jurisdiction specific network screening and high injury networks in support of the implementation of Vision Zero.

Presenter: Asadur Rahman, PhD

BIO: Asadur Rahman is currently working at WisDOT as a traffic operation and safety engineer in BSHP/DTIM. Asad previously held the Lead Worker position in Traffic Forecasting/BPED where he worked in travel demand modeling, traffic forecasting, estimating yearly WI VMT and lead the forecasting section in various projects. Prior to that, Asad worked in two MPOs in IL as a travel demand modeler and also worked for a consulting firm in the Chicago area doing crash analysis, traffic design and capacity analysis work. He also has a background in routing and closure planning for emergency management in the Chicago area using complex demand and simulation modeling tools while he was working at Argonne National Laboratory. Asad has a PhD Degree in Civil Engineering – Transportation from University of Wisconsin – Madison, a Graduate (Professional Master's) Degree in Transportation Engineering, from Illinois Institute of Technology, a Master of Science Degree in Civil Engineering from Western Michigan University, and an Undergraduate Degree in Civil Engineering. His PhD dissertation topic was related to the incorporation of connected and automated vehicles (CAVs) in transportation planning.



Title: Managing Rail Emergencies - Insights from the De Soto Train Derailment

**Date:** Wednesday, August 21 **Time:** 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM **Room:** Aloeswood/Tamboti

**Description:** Join us for a critical breakout session at the conference where we will delve into the De Soto train derailment incident, a complex emergency involving a train carrying mixed freight that derailed south of De Soto, Wisconsin. This session will present a detailed after-action review highlighting the response actions, challenges faced by emergency personnel, and the coordination among local, state, and federal agencies. Participants will gain insights into the initial rapid response, the utilization of technological aids like drones, and the effective management of public information. We will also discuss key lessons learned from the incident, particularly in operational communication and coordination, which experienced significant challenges during the event. The session aims to equip attendees with strategies to enhance situational assessment, improve interagency communication, and streamline command operations in rail-related emergencies. This case study will serve as a basis for discussing improvements in emergency response frameworks and practices, ensuring better preparedness for future incidents.

**Presenter:** Jim Hackett

**BIO:** Jim Hackett's law enforcement journey commenced at the Prairie du Chien Police Department in a part-time capacity, setting the stage for his subsequent full-time role at the Crawford County Sheriff's Office, where he has served with distinction for over 14 years. Recognized for his expertise, Jim later joined the Boscobel Police Department part-time. His career is marked by leadership in various programs, including serving as Peer Support Coordinator, Drone Team Coordinator, Honor Guard Commander, Public Information Officer, and Grant Administrator. Additionally, Jim has significantly contributed as an Evoc Instructor, Wellness Instructor, QPR Instructor, and Traffic Incident Management Instructor, alongside his roles in hiring panels and background investigations. His dedication to professional development is evident in his work as a State of WI DOJ Peer Support Teacher for Region 2 and an instructor at the SWTC Academy.

Presenter: Deputy Marc Myhre, Crawford County Sheriff's Office

BIO: Marc Myhre has been employed with the Crawford County Sheriff's Office since 2014. The first seven years of his career was as a telecommunicator. While working as a telecommunicator, Marc also worked all aspects of the jobs of a Deputy including, Traffic, Jail, and Bailiff. In 2020, during the COVID crisis, Marc was temporarily brought under the wing of Emergency Management Director Jim Hackett, to act as the county's Public Information Officer and Logistics Section Chief. Marc was hired in 2021 as a Deputized Specialist for Crawford County Emergency Management. Since that time, Marc has become the primary pilot for Crawford County's drone program, a member of Crimestoppers team, member of Project Lifesaver team, and a member of the county's Emergency Response Team.



**Title:** Life Cycle of a Crash **Date:** Wednesday, August 21 **Time:** 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Room: Marula

**Description:** See what goes into a full crash reconstruction investigation. The Wisconsin State Patrol's Technical Reconstruction Unit will walk through a crash from being call to the scene through the sentencing in court.

**Presenter:** Tracy Drager

**BIO:** Tracy Drager has been a trooper with the Wisconsin State Patrol since 2011. She spent the first five years of her career patrolling the Sauk County Interstate specializing in highway criminal interdiction and instructing various subjects. In 2016 she was assigned to the Technical Reconstruction Unit (TRU). As a member of the TRU, she responds to and investigates fatal and serious injury motor vehicle crashes which have a high likelihood of resulting in criminal litigation, and testifies as an expert witness in court. She became an ACTAR accredited reconstruction specialist in 2018, and has presented at conferences and taught numerous classes on her specialized field. Since in 2017, Trooper Drager has been a member of several committees regarding the emergence of connected and autonomous vehicles (CAV) in the State of Wisconsin. She assisted with creating and was featured in the CAV training video in 2022, which will eventually be viewed by all law enforcement officers throughout the state.



**Title:** Oral Fluid, LE Phlebotomy, Toxicology & DRE Program Updates

Date: Wednesday, August 21 Time: 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Room: Aralia

**Description:** During this session, Amy Miles and Steve Krejci will provide an update on Oral Fluids, Wisconsin's Law Enforcement Phlebotomy Program, toxicology and the DRE Program to help attendees understand how law enforcement, toxicologists, and prosecutors are working together to combat impaired driving in Wisconsin. Anyone that is interested in the current status of these issues and programs are encouraged to attend this session.

**Presenter:** Amy Miles

**BIO:** Amy Miles is the State Toxicologist at the Wisconsin State Laboratory of Hygiene (WSLH) and has over 20 years of experience in forensic toxicology. Amy provides expert court testimony and interpretation of laboratory reports for coroners, medical examiners, attorneys, and law enforcement officers. Amy also provides expert consultation for drug impaired driving cases both locally and nationally. In addition to her work at the WSLH, Amy is also the National Resource Toxicologist and Project Manager for the NHTSA/SOFT Regional Toxicology Liaison program.

Amy has given hundreds of presentations on the topic of drugs, alcohol and human performance, and public health at state and national conferences and in-service trainings and has contributed several articles to national publications. She is a member of several professional organizations and committees that pertain to alcohol, drugs and human performance and public health. Amy is the Past President of the Society of Forensic Toxicologists and is a National Judicial College faculty member. In 2020, Amy received the IACP DRE Ambassador Award, and in 2023 the Association of Public Health Laboratories' Gold Standard Award, the Governor's Highway Safety Association's Kathryn JR Swanson Public Service Award and the SOFT Teaching and Mentoring Award.

**Presenter:** Steve Krejci

**BIO:** Steve Krejci was a police officer for 25-years with the Milwaukee Police Department before retiring in 2021. He served as a traffic officer on the Motorcycle Unit for 21-years. He was a Nationally Registered Emergency Medical Technician for 33-years, and was a military medic in the United States Airforce during the first Gulf War era – Operation Desert Storm. He has been a certified Drug Recognition Expert (DRE) for 20-years and is currently the State Coordinator for all of Wisconsin's impaired driving programs.



**Title:** Community Maps: I Never Knew It Could Do That!

Date: Wednesday, August 21 Time: 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Room: Mangrove

**Description:** Community Maps provides a go-to resource for crash mapping and analysis and is used regularly by county Traffic Safety Commissions, law enforcement agencies, and other safety partners across the state. However, there are a number of powerful and easy to apply analysis features that many users are unaware of. This session will provide live worked examples of key features that will help make you more productive in your use of Community Maps. Time at the end of the session will also be set aside for audience questions and interactive discussion.

Key topics to be covered:

1. New Training and Help Resources

2. Drill Down Functionality

3. Tribal Crash Mapping

4. Crash Hot Spot Analysis

5. Coming Soon: WiSTAR Data Layers

6. Participant Questions and Feedback

Presenter: Dr. Steven Parker

**BIO:** Dr. Steven Parker is the Managing Director of the Wisconsin Traffic Operations and Safety (TOPS) Laboratory at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. In this capacity, he has led a range of research and development initiatives for the TOPS Lab across several core areas including transportation safety, work zone systems, traffic management systems, and connected and automated vehicle technologies. Dr. Parker has over 25 years of professional experience in applied research computing with the last two decades working on transportation systems and technology issues in collaboration with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) and other agency partners. Prior to joining the TOPS Lab, Dr. Parker received a Ph.D. in Computer Science from the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

**Presenter:** Trace Frost

**BIO:** Trace Frost retired in 2017 from the Dodge County Sheriff's Office as the Patrol Captain after a 32-year career in law enforcement. During his career, Frost held the ranks of Chief of Police, Sergeant, Detective Sergeant, Lieutenant, and Captain. Other duties included Field Training Officer, Range Officer, Drone Operator, Amish Liaison, Vice Chair Dodge County Traffic Safety Commission, and Evidence Technician. After retirement, Frost continued his career becoming a Law Enforcement Liaison working with WisDOT Bureau of Transportation Safety and Technical Services for the past 7 years.

Presenter: Todd Horn

**BIO:** Todd Horn attended UW-River Falls, graduating with a degree in Sociology - Criminal Justice. Horn was employed with the Columbia County Sheriff's Office for 26 years and retired in 2023 at the rank of Captain. Horn spent a large portion of his career working as a Patrol Sergeant. Later, he was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant and Captain where he supervised the Patrol Division along with other administrative duties. While at the Sheriff's Office, he served as the Chairman of the Columbia County Traffic Safety Commission. After retirement, Horn continued his career becoming a Law Enforcement Liaison working with WisDOT Bureau of Transportation Safety and Technical Services in 2023.



Title: Reducing Alcohol Related Crashes: Tools to Monitor, Educate and Enforce Laws

**Date:** Wednesday, August 21 **Time:** 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM

**Room:** Tamarind

**Description:** Learn the latest in development of Place of Last Drink (POLD) and how law enforcement and communities can have data driven educational opportunities to reduce overservice of alcohol. Discuss using Minimum Legal Drinking Age Compliance Checks. Discuss recent Alcohol Age Compliance Check tools for partnerships, procedures and data collection. Presenters will include firsthand perspectives of how these practices can be used. Session will be interactive.

Presenter: Maureen Busalacchi

**BIO:** Maureen Busalacchi, Director, Division of Alcohol Policy, Prevention and Research at the Comprehensive Injury Center (CIC) and Robert MacKenzie, MA, Research Anaylst, also with the CIC at Medical College of Wisconsin.