

# Organizational Issues in Performance Management and Transportation Asset Management – Are you Prepared?

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# Agenda



- Where should Performance Management (PM)/Transportation Asset Management (TAM) reside in an organization?
- High Performing Organizational Structures
- ▶ Managing Change



## **Key TAM Staff**





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- »Amec Foster Wheeler Asset Management Lead
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- »Chair of TRB Committee AFD20, Pavement Monitoring and Evaluation



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- »Lead developer of SC TAMP
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- »Involved in SC and NH TAMPs
- »Member of TRB Asset Management Committee



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- »Developing the Next Generation pavement performance models for FHWA
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# Where Should PM/TAM Reside?



### TAM and Performance Management – Why?

#### MAP-21 Definition

Strategic and systematic process of operating, maintaining, and improving physical assets, with a focus on engineering and economic analysis based upon quality information, to identify a structured sequence of maintenance, preservation, repair, rehabilitation, and replacement actions that will achieve and sustain a desired state of good repair over the lifecycle of the assets at minimum practicable cost

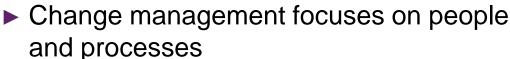
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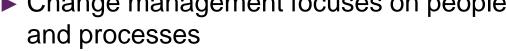
- Make more informed <u>decisions</u> on resource allocation <u>throughout</u> the agency.
- It's a way of doing business.
- Its strategic.



## TAM is an Organizational and Cultural Issue

- Most of the content of TAM education focuses on the technical issues
- ► TAM will become a "way of doing business" only through organizational and cultural change





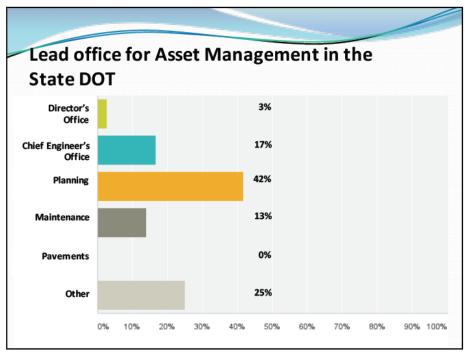
► There is a need to focus on this issue





### Where is TAM Located Currently?

▶ Based on input from FHWA Division offices via survey conducted by FHWA in February 2016



- Most DOTs now have a specific office for PM/TAM
- ▶ 2013 this number was only 15% (NCHRP Synthesis 439)



**Project Development** 

Bridge Design

Highway Design

Environment Construction

Materials & Research Right-of-Way Planning & Community Assistance

District 6

Commissioner

Aeronautics

District 3

District 2

Assistant Commissioner

Operations

Bridge Maintenance

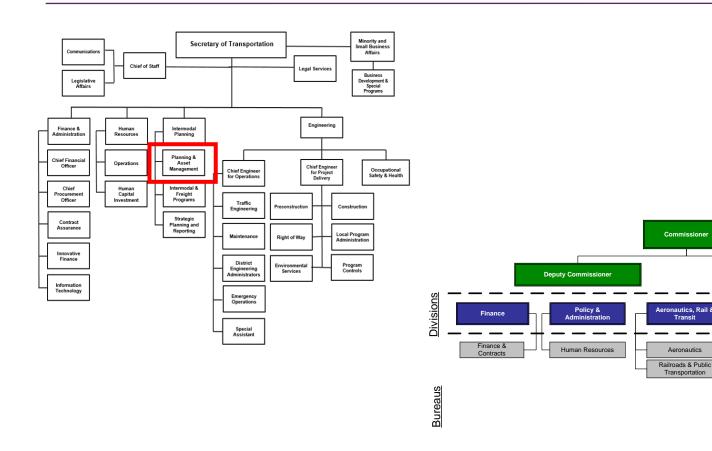
Mechanical Services

Traffic Transportation Systems Management & Ops

District 5

District 4

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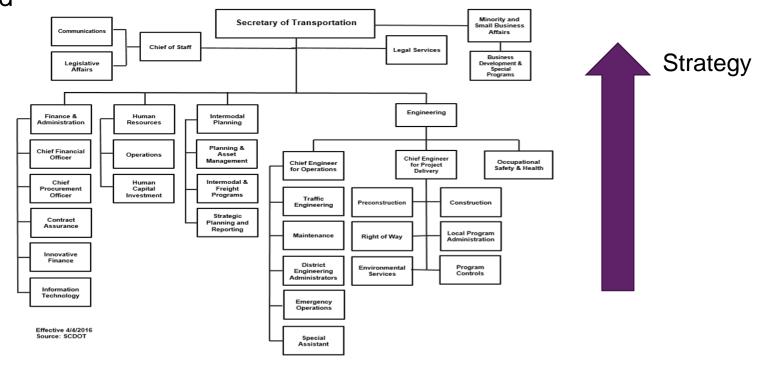


Districts



### Where Should TAM/PM Be Located?

- ► TAM/PM should be elevated in organization
- ► TAM/PM should be located in as high a level as can be attained – Executive Offices preferred



# High Performing Organizational Structures

**What Works?** 



### What Works – Lessons from the GAP States

- There is no "one size fits all" or any "best" organizational structure
- ▶ Dialogue with Legislature/Commission
  - Demonstrate what PM/TAM does for the Department/Agency
  - Take the show on the Road
  - Talk to anyone who will listen
- Direct access to Executive
   Director/Commissioner on a continuous basis





### What Works – Lessons from the GAP States

- Executives
  - Set policy
  - Align resources
  - Communicating the importance of effective asset management
  - Monitor performance of program
  - Promote cross-functional cooperation
  - Promote and embrace continuous improvement
  - Set targets



Rank and file will get on board if they see a commitment to the cause



### What Works – Lessons from the GAP States

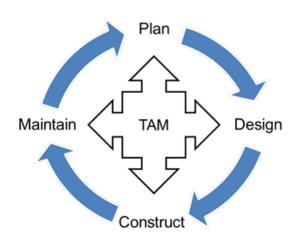
- Strong Performance Management/TAM Engineer
  - Provides Leadership
  - Must be able to "boundary span"
  - Must be high enough up in organization to effect change
  - Knows the organization inside and out
  - Must be a mentor, teacher, cajoler all in one
  - No collateral duties!
- A key to success mentioned by almost all States
- Special individual training does not exist for all these attributes





## Keys to Success

- ▶ Have a Strong Governance Structure
  - Integrated team
  - Representatives from entire life cycle
  - Meet regularly
  - All members should have a job to do when the meeting is over - engagement
- Set Clear Policies lets people know there is Executive level direction
- Set Clear Goals lets people know what is expected of them
- Set Clear Targets lets people know what the end goal is
- Once people know what is expected of them they react in a positive manner



# How to Maintain Momentum

**Managing Change** 



# **Sustaining Asset Management**

- ► Three things you have to know
  - What you are going to do?
  - Who is going to do it?
  - When is going to get done?
- ► Five documents you need to get there
  - Strategic Plan/Implementation Plan
  - Governance Structure
  - Succession Plan
  - Communication Plan
  - Training Plan





## Strategic Plan/Implementation Plan

- Introduction
- ► TAM State of the Practice
  - What makes good TAM practice
  - What does good practice look like
- ▶ TAM in Your DOT
  - Gap analysis
  - Current TAM practice
  - TAM strengths
  - TAM OFIs
- TAM Mission and Goals
- ► TAM Implementation Plan
  - Detailed action plan
  - Short and long-term goals

TAM Focus Area	Current Maturity
<b>Inventory and Condition</b>	3
Asset Management Objectives and Measures	2
Asset Performance and Gap Identification	2
Whole life Cost Considerations	1-2
Risk Management	2
Financial Planning	2
Investment Strategies	2



### Governance Structure

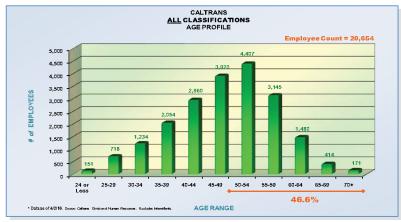
- ▶ Should be a Simple Document
- Minimum Contents
  - Introduction
  - Location of TAM Coordination
  - TAM Governance
  - TAMP Governance
- Each Team will Establish a Charter
  - Leadership
  - Membership
  - Mission
  - Responsibilities
  - Decision Authority
- Important to Include this in TAMP!

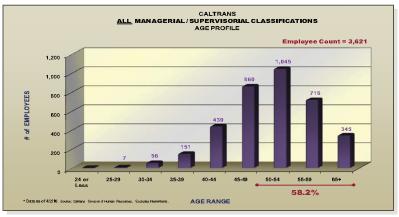


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### Succession Plan

- ▶ 50% of DOT employees can retire in five years!
- DOT staff don't stay with the agency forever anymore
- ▶ DOT employees change jobs quickly
- A DOT responsibility, not really a TAM function
- Imperative that we have knowledge transfer
- Key change management strategy for maintaining momentum

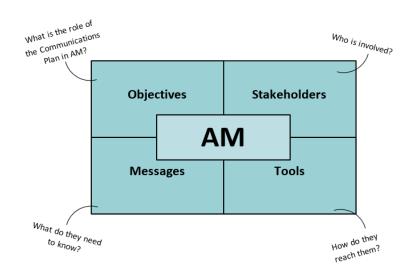








- Objectives
- ▶ Key Stakeholders
  - Internal
  - External
- ▶ Key TAM Messages
  - Basic Message the one thing
  - Critical Message
- ▶ Communication Tools
  - Documents
  - Channels
  - Schedule



## Training Plan



#### Keys

- Who are the key stakeholders?
- What types of training are required?
- Frequency of training required
- What topics and channels should be used?
- What has worked for you and what hasn't?

#### Contents

- Training Needs
  - Who Needs Training?
  - What Are the Key Training Topics?
- Training Program
  - Training Principles
  - Training Methodology
  - Training Topics
- Responsibility
- Relation to Communication Plan
- ► TAM Training Matrix



### Thank You





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