

**10/24/23 SIEC: Submitted notes from Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT)**

- VDOT is working to finish any remaining changeover of STARS mobile and portable equipment associated with STARS Phase 5 project. We will be substantially complete by the end of October.
- In conjunction with the STARS Phase 5 project, we are re-orienting field users to STARS MCALL and MUTUAL talk group usage to ensure ongoing interoperability among STARS partner users (i.e. VSP and other STARS users).
- We further anticipate discussions, drills, and other actions with STARS partners to ensure effective use in the MCALL and MUTUAL talk group areas.
- Our COMLINC stations at the Transportation Operation Centers (TOCs) have been updated. Some programming work with the associated radios remains with the COMLINC team. We look forward to potential interaction from localities on leveraging the COMLINC platform to our TOC locations as well.
- We support the update of the SCIP as well as ongoing stakeholder engagement and planning for future interoperability platforms.