



# Road Ranger Safety Meeting

## 08/21/2024

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Metric Engineering on behalf of FDOT District 2



## **ROAD RANGER SAFETY MEETING AGENDA**

**August 21st, 2024**

### **1. FIRST COAST ROAD RANGERS PRESENTATION**

**Scott Christmas**

### **2. FDOT ITS Operations**

**Dee Dee Crews**

- A. MOT General Discussion**
- B. Safety**
- C. Procedural Errors**
- D. Road Ranger Operations Interaction**
  - a. Communication**
  - b. Dispatch**
  - c. Event Information**
- E. Phone / Tablet Issues**
- F. Safe Tows**

### **3. AVL**

**Shelby Mullins/Dee Dee Crews**

- A. Breaks/ Shift Changes**
- B. Inspections**

### **4. RTMC SUPERVISOR CONCERNS**

**Gracie Cranford**

- A. Radio Issues**

### **5. ROAD RANGER OPERATOR QUESTIONS**

### **6. ACTION ITEMS**

### **7. FINAL COMMENTS**

**FDOT/ 1<sup>st</sup> Coast Road Rangers**

- Scotty began meeting by welcoming everyone
- Scotty advised we have an old employee coming back
- Scotty advised if you are called to an event off the interstate or in a gas station, continue calling me first and it will be on call basis.
  - If you get a call between the ramps but off the interstate, go and set up MOT.
- Scotty went over topics to be discussed
  - General Safety
  - Procedural Errors
  - Shift change
  - MOT
  - Radio etiquette
  - Time on the radio
  - HR
- Scotty discussed things to do before leaving the yard
  - Clean and wash trucks inside and out
  - Check operation and supplies of the truck
    - When you go on refuel, refuel the truck and all the cans on the truck
  - Make sure tools are present and secured
  - Take inventory before leaving the yard
  - Double check hygiene and uniforms
- Scotty advised rain season is here so make sure you wear the correct rain coat or reflective vest over it
- Scotty advised things to do while driving
  - Drive in the right lane 5 mph below posted speed limit
  - Look 3 times when merging into traffic
  - Keep proper distance from the vehicle in front of you
  - No texting and driving
    - If you are on your personal phone in the truck you will be written up

- If you are on the work phone, pull over then use the phone
- Wear your seat belt at all times
- Do not brake fast
- Do not do u turns unless escorted by a trooper or law enforcement with lights on
- When being overtaken, slow down
- Scotty reminded road rangers of things to do at an event
  - Drive and stop safely
  - Do not speed
  - If you need to stop quickly, go to next exit and turn around to come back
  - Do not use official turn arounds
  - Pull off the road to type in an event
  - Follow chain of command at the event
    - If you have issues with law enforcement, get a name and badge number
  - All stops, call TMC and put sign boards up
  - Stay in communication with TMC
  - All 24 cones get deployed
    - Do not use any other objects as MOT
- Chris went over F.S. 316.003 which authorizing road rangers as emergency vehicles
- Chris advised since cameras were installed, accidents with road rangers have significantly decreased
- Chris went over bathroom breaks
  - Do not use the bathroom during peak traffic times unless an emergency
  - Should not take over 15 minutes
- Scotty went over shift changes
  - Limit to 15 minutes on the yard
  - Get off the yard by 6:45
  - If you are on the yard longer than 15 minutes, call and let me know why

- Scotty advised no procedural errors for the month
- Scotty went over MOT notes
  - 24 cones get placed out
  - Maintain situational awareness
  - Never turn your back to traffic
  - Do not trade cones
  - Always assume other drivers can't and won't see you
  - Put a barrier between yourself and on coming traffic
  - Do not sit in your truck on an event
  - Never trust anyone but yourself
  - Do not get in a hurry
- Scotty discussed a few reminders
  - Get approval from TMC before giving fuel
  - Do not recommend any services to motorists
  - Never take pictures of an event unless TMC request it
  - Never post employment as FCRR then post negative comments
- Scotty went over company cell phone procedures
  - Motorist can use cell phone if needed, just let TMC know
  - No streaming music
  - Do not turn on the hot spot
  - Do not send or receive text
- Scotty reminded road rangers that we are in hurricane season
  - Be prepared and have your family prepared
  - Have food and water ready
- Scotty went over where to go for help
  - If you put in a leave request and it gets denied, come talk to me as to why
- Issues with any vendors?



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