



# Road Ranger Safety Meeting

02/21/2024

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Metric Engineering on behalf of FDOT District 2



## **ROAD RANGER SAFETY MEETING AGENDA**

**February 21, 2024**

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| <b>1. FIRST COAST ROAD RANGERS PRESENTATION</b>  | <b>Scott Christmas</b>                         |
| <b>2. FDOT ITS Operations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>A. MOT General Discussion</b></li><li><b>B. Safety</b></li><li><b>C. Procedural Errors</b></li><li><b>D. Road Ranger Operations Interaction</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>a. Communication</b></li><li><b>b. Dispatch</b></li><li><b>c. Event Information</b></li></ul></li><li><b>E. Phone / Tablet Issues</b></li><li><b>F. Safe Tows</b></li></ul> | <b>Dee Dee Crews</b>                           |
| <b>3. AVL</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>A. Breaks/ Shift Changes</b></li><li><b>B. Inspections</b></li></ul>  | <b>Shelby Mullins/Dee Dee Crews</b>            |
| <b>4. RTMC SUPERVISOR CONCERNS</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>A. Radio Issues</b></li></ul>  | <b>Amanda Nichols</b>                          |
| <b>5. ROAD RANGER OPERATOR QUESTIONS</b>   |  |
| <b>6. ACTION ITEMS</b>   |  |
| <b>7. FINAL COMMENTS</b>   | <b>FDOT/ 1<sup>st</sup> Coast Road Rangers</b> |

- Scotty began the meeting by welcoming everyone
- Scotty went over the topics to be covered
  - General safety
  - Procedural Errors
  - Breaks and shift change
  - MOT
  - Radio etiquette and time on the radio
  - Cell phone usage
  - HR notes
- Scotty discussed things to do before leaving the yard
  - Clean trucks inside and out
  - Check operation and all fluids and supplies for the shift
  - Make sure tools are present and secured
  - Take inventory on the truck
  - Double check hygiene and uniform
- Scotty advised things to do while driving
  - Drive in the right lane 5 mph below posted speed limit
  - Look 3 times when changing lanes and merging into traffic
  - Keep proper distance from the vehicle in front of you (3 car lengths)
  - No texting while driving
- Scotty reminded road rangers to always wear your seatbelt
  - Worker's comp may not cover an accident if you are not wearing your seat belt
  - This is Florida law
- Scotty reminded road rangers to not follow motorists unless asked to do so by TMC
- Scotty advised no matter what the law allows you to do, do not make U-turns
- Scotty advised when you are being passed by a vehicle, slow down and let them pass
- Scotty discussed the general safety while on an event

- Do not speed to an event or cut across all lanes to stop for an event
- Do not use official turn arounds
- Pull off the road to read messages or type in an event
- Follow chain of command at an event
- All stops, call TMC and put sign boards up
- Stay in communication with TMC throughout the event
- Get all vehicle information
- All 24 cones must be deployed
- Scotty went over F.S. 316.003 authorizing road rangers as emergency vehicle
- Scotty advised no procedural errors for the month
- Scotty reminded road rangers of break and shift change notes
  - Limit breaks to 15 minutes
  - Do not take breaks during peak traffic times (6a-9a and 3p-7p)
  - Get off the yard by 6:15am and limit shift changes to 15 minutes
  - You are not allowed to call off shift before your shift is over
- Scotty went over MOT notes
  - All 24 cones get placed out
  - Maintain situational awareness
  - Never turn your back to traffic
  - Assume other drivers can't or won't see you
  - Put a barrier between yourself and on coming traffic
  - Always assume someone will hit your truck
  - Never trust anyone but yourself
  - Do not get in a hurry
- Scotty reminded road rangers of the following
  - Get approval from TMC before giving fuel
  - 24/7 routes do not get overtime codes

- Be short and factual on the radio
- Do not accept any form of tip or compensation
- Do not recommend motorists any services
- Do not take pictures of an event unless requested by TMC
- Do not post employment on social media
- Scotty went over where to go for help
- Scotty asked if there have been any issues with other vendors
- Scotty concluded meeting



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