



# Road Ranger Safety Meeting 2/3/2021

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Metric Engineering on behalf of FDOT District 2

# ROAD RANGER SAFETY/TRAINING MEETING AGENDA



February 3, 2021

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| <b>1. FIRST COAST ROAD RANGERS PRESENTATION</b> | <b>Marshall Adkison</b>                       |
| <b>2. FDOT ITS Operations</b>                   | <b>Dee Dee Crews</b>                          |
| <b>A. MOT General Discussion</b>                |   |
| <b>B. Safety</b>                                |   |
| <b>C. Procedural Errors</b>                     |   |
| <b>D. Road Ranger Operations Interaction</b>    |   |
| a. Communication                                |   |
| b. Dispatch                                     |   |
| c. Event Information                            |   |
| <b>E. Phone / Tablet Issues</b>                 |   |
| <b>F. Safe Tows</b>                             |   |
| <b>G. Zello Demonstration</b>                   | <b>Jason Evans</b>                            |
| <b>3. AVL</b>                                   | <b>Lisa Sparling/Jason Evans</b>              |
| <b>A. Breaks/ Shift Changes</b>                 |   |
| <b>B. Inspections</b>                           |   |
| <b>4. RTMC Supervisor Concerns</b>              | <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> |

Contractor Meeting:

Zello

Road Ranger Monthly Billing/Invoices

Update on Propane transition/Progress

Training – CPR and SHRP2

Expired Driver License

I-10 pilot project to contractor meeting

## Notes:

- Marshal asked the Road Rangers what a safety meeting was for and then explained why we have the safety meetings once a month.
- Marshal advised the Road Rangers that the Safety Meeting will always be at the Jacksonville Urban Training Facility unless told otherwise. Next meeting is March 3, 2021.
- Marshal advised the Road Rangers that you must put in code for Safe Tow. That is how we get paid.
- Marshal advised the Road Rangers that you must call the TMC to get code before giving out gas.
- Marshal thanked the Road Rangers for advising the motorist about social media. He also advised them to have motorist use the comment section. They are working to fix the issue with Facebook.
- First Coast Road Ranger Trucks and Status:
  - o Road Ranger Trucks – 34
  - o Road Ranger Tow Trucks – 5
  - o Road Ranger Supervisor Trucks – 2/One is modified propane.
  - o Road Ranger Trucks Modified Propane - 19
  - o Jacksonville has 13 routes/3 being 24/7 / 1 is a tow truck.
  - o Gainesville has 7 routes / 3 being 24/7 / 1 is a tow truck.
  - o Still have 1 more to be modified in Jacksonville.
  - o Gainesville will not be modified until we get new site built.
  - o By this weekend we will stand at 100% in Jacksonville being Green.
  - o The fleet is at 58% Green in less than two months.
- Marshal advised the Road Rangers that it is important that you always use the propane.
- Marshal advised since August 2020 they have added 2 tow trucks, 2 supervisor trucks, and 8 back up trucks. The goal on back up trucks is 3 per location. We are 1 short.
- Marshal asked the Road Rangers to please make sure when you start or leave that the truck is on propane.
- Please make sure you deploy your cones. It will save your life.
- Marshal asked Road Rangers how red tags were going. Road Rangers advised good.
- Marshal asked Road Rangers how Safe Tow were going. Road Rangers advised good.

- Marshal asked the Road Rangers when logging in or out to please do so and go on route. Marshal advised the Road Rangers they were doing good just a reminder.
- Marshal showed a picture and called it Blinded by the Lights. Picture showed when the Road Rangers and FHP/JSO all have their lights on that the motorists cannot see. So please make sure when dark out that you are standing in a safe place.
- Marshal advised FDOT was still working on radio's please be patient.
- Marshal showed a slide of breaks and shift change. He did advise the Road Rangers that they were doing good on those and thanked them.
- Marshal showed good pictures of MOT.
- Marshal went over Topics covered:
  - o General Safety: Safety first. Chain of command at an event. Use cell phones no texting while driving. All stops call TMC and sign boards up. Inform TMC and stay in communication. Get vehicle info. Deploy cones.
- Marshal advised the Road Rangers they do work emergencies. We are on call 24/7
- Marshal turned floor over to Jason Evans to go over Zello.
- Jason showed slides on using Zello.
- Jason advised the Road Rangers as of June 30, 2021 the radio's will be obsolete.
- Jason advised that Central Office is still trying to get a State contract for radio's.
- Jason advised until then the Road Rangers will use Zello. They are hoping this will be up and working in a couple weeks.
- Jason advised them that Scott tested Zello last week and in spots where there were 0 bars, we could hear him loud and clear. Jason advised the Road Rangers that Zello will record the conversation and the recording is clear. Jason also advised them that you can take pictures as well and send them to the TMC instead of having to email them in.
- Jason advised they will have training on Zello and that they will keep their radio's until June as a backup.
- Jason advised the Road Rangers that Zello runs off the internet and will work if you have 1G service.
- Road Rangers asked if they would be able to talk to each other. Jason advised them yes if they set that up. Jason advised them he has only worked with the free version and he will work on the paid version soon.

- Dee Dee advised the Road Rangers that this will be a lot better of a solution vs the radio's they have now. She will keep them updated if she hears anything about the possibility of a State contract for the radio's.
- Meeting adjourned.



**Road Ranger Safety Meeting**  
**Wednesday, February 3, 2021**  
**Jacksonville**



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