



Road Ranger Safety Meeting 09/06/2017

Metric Engineering on behalf of FDOT District 2

ROAD RANGER SAFETY/TRAINING MEETING AGENDA

September 6th, 2017



1. FIRST COAST ROAD RANGERS PRESENTATION –

Cody Parham

2. FDOT ITS Operations

Dee Dee Johnson

- A. MOT General Discussion
- B. Procedural Errors
- C. Route re-naming
- D. BRS/ RR TIM Procedure
- E. SPARR/ Radio Communication
- F. RR SPARR Status
- G. RR SPARR- 2 devices (1 at a time)
- H. Hurricane Irma

3. AVL

Sherrell Lall

- A. Breaks/ Shift Changes
- B. Inspections
- C. Ride Along
- D. Road Ranger Equipment Survey

4. TMC SUPERVISOR CONCERNS

Ryan Crist

5. ROAD RANGER OPERATOR QUESTIONS

6. ACTION ITEMS

7. FINAL COMMENTS

Pete/Greg/Marshall

CONTRACTOR MEETING

- **Road Ranger Contract Update**
- **Sponsorship Update**
- **Statewide Update**
 - **RISC**
 - **TIM**
 - **Road Rangers**
- **First Coast Road Ranger Contractor concerns**
- **General Discussion**

Notes:

- Cody opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.
- Ryan will get Cody/ Michelle the codes today.
- Breaks:
 - 24 breaks during peak hours over the last 3 weeks. No real trends so that is good. Try to avoid it though if you can.
 - One break was 25 minutes and that is too long.
 - Cody has given permission to 2 trucks to take an extra break due to no AC in the truck.
- Shift changes:
 - Every truck was pegged during this period.
 - Truck 204 was the worst but Larry is always the first one out of the yard. Not sure why that is happening.
 - Speed up those turn arounds guys.
 - Don't waste time.
- MOT:
 - Cody hit the high and low points.
 - Robert did a great job. Nice full set up with taper, buffer and spacing.
 - Alan's MOT on JTB was solid to show making adjustments. Typical taper would have put him in the intersection. Solid job by Alan to pull them forward of the truck.
 - Discussed poor taper and how that shortens your buffer zone. You need that for your safety.

- Went through a couple of a MOT scenes.
- Cody showed a BIG shoulder where some RRs relax on MOT. This was a great set up for a large shoulder. Cars can still come off on a big shoulder.
- No partial lane blockage. Take it or don't.
- Be careful with your MOT board. We did have one posting the arrow board pointing towards the river. Dangerous, liable and makes 1st Coast look bad. When you leave a scene set the board back to a base message to avoid confusion.
- Jim Elvers did have a heart attack and will be out for a while. He is in good spirits and wants to return. 10+ weeks recovery time.
- Rick Tripp got pulled over by an angry motorist. He was mad that Rick missed the debris on the road. Rick was circling back to go get it as it wasn't safe to get it on first pass.
- Construction zones:
 - Pulaski on the northside has had some bad wrecks. Be careful. For all construction zones everyone needs to be careful. Reduce speed and pay greater attention. Caution.
 - SB E-Lane on Buckman is temporarily back. Please use it while it still can be used.
 - Dee Dee explained to Dexter that it is SunPass and not toll booths.
 - Stay on the general use lanes.
 - Will discuss Express Lane RRs moving forward. Not there yet.
 - JTB Flyover should open soon.
 - Tracy complained about the 95NB ramp to Butler back up.
 - Treat the flyover like any of our regular ramps.
- Don't argue with BRS. If you have a problem with any AM Contractor call Cody ASAP and he will get in contact with Dee Dee/ Pete. Procedure in place soon. Be the bigger person. Handle your business.
- Drink plenty of water but don't plow through the water in the trucks. Get some in the morning before work and bring a water bottle.
- MOT has been much improved. Nice work.
- Some media attention from WQIK and Ron Tittle about the value of Road Rangers.
- Cody read a letter from Emily who wrote in after a huge assistance on the Fuller Warren Bridge.

- Hurricane Irma

- Reviewed Hurricane Irma and RRs will be on starting the 7th. 24/7. 12 hour shifts. 12a-12p/ 12p-12a. Make sure you are set at home and get rest when you can. Family and home need to be taken care of so you can work with limited worries.
- Shifts will be tough so be ready. Middle of the night is tough.
- 2 additional routes in each St Johns and Nassau Counties.
- Cody will be sending out the Hurricane Schedule shortly. Dee Dee advised that it will extend past Monday.
- It will be demanding.
- The RTMC and Dee Dee will be monitoring the bridge wind speeds. The Road Rangers will be pulled off prior to the winds hitting 40 MPH where law enforcement will start to look to close the bridges.
- New trucks will be in play for at least half of the fleet.
- Fuel will be an issue. The RR cards will work anywhere that Voyager is accepted. Once you drop below a half tank top it off if gas is available. TMC will try to assist with open places. Gas buddy will help.
- Greg brought up some unusual types of vehicles and pets in cars you aren't used to. Deal the best you can. Not your typical motorists. Packed cars and DUIs will be more likely now that we are working nights and weekends with storm approaching. Don't get complacent.
- Red tag as much as possible and get those cars out of there. Will confirm with FHP.
- Main point, get rest when you can.
- The office has a generator so if you don't have time to get home or it isn't safe you can stay at the office.
- If we are in the new trucks, no food, don't leave extra bags in there. They have back up cameras so hopefully that will help. Treat with care. Radios haven't been disabled so don't abuse it or they will be. Dee Dee mentioned to Greg to get the reflective tape on the trucks ASAP. The trucks are bigger so be careful getting used to the size. If you need to park away from other cars to be safe please do so.
- Went over FDOT schedule.
- Mike went over trying to deal with Marshall on getting the 2 extra routes covered.

- Ryan went over radio along with SPARR. Not just SPARR. You need to radio in when you arrive, leave and with scene updates.
 - o With dead zones being an issue make sure when you key up that you are acknowledged.
 - o Route re-naming is going OK. You stay the same route number even if you need to leave that route. Thank you for helping as this clears up a lot of backend issues.
 - o More formalized procedure on handling BRS coming soon.
- Sherrell went over inspections:
 - o 205 doesn't have enough dry sand. Has been that way the last 2 times.
 - o No comment cards in 205.
 - Use the old ones until they are gone.
 - o Water in vehicles have been low. 208/203 told Sherrell they can't get into the office to get it. You have a full case. That is on the driver not completing their checks and restocking.
 - Greg went over his concerns about drinking too much of the truck water. Bring your own water bottle. One here and there is fine but not 6 a shift.
- Road Ranger Meeting adjourned.
- Contractor meeting:
 - o No update on completing the Road Ranger H Contract.
 - o Greg battling with insurance.
 - o Ryan to get Cody/ Michelle codes today so Greg can finish billing.
 - o Dee Dee told Greg to give Jim Elvers his best.
 - o Cody went over that Alan will be leaving shortly as well. This will cause a SLERS issue when routes are expanded for H Contract.
 - o The person from Chicago called Greg and Greg told him to file a complaint with JSO if needed as that was not a Road Ranger he had a run-in with.

FIRST COAST ROAD RANGERS SIGN-IN

DATE: 9-6-2017

MONTHLY SAFETY MEETING & CONTINUED TRAINING

TRUCK #	AM SHIFT	PM SHIFT
201	Rick TRIPP	
202	Roger Broadbent	Timothy Atkins
203	Reginald Rogers	Larry Gilmore
204	Kenneth Peterson	
205	Andrew Henry	John MacLellan
206	Tony Helle	Robert Gallego
207	Chris Lee Lambert	Daniel Charles
208	Matthew Hammock	RON BROOKS

DOT REPS:

1. DOE DOE JOHNSON
2. RYAN CARL
3. SIDOROV CALL

ANY OTHER / WITH WHOM:

1. Michael Smith
2. Carl
3. _____