

D6 Launches Travel Times to Miami International Airport



For the first time in South Florida, drivers traveling to Miami International Airport (MIA) are receiving accurate, up-to-the-minute travel-time information from various points along our regional highway system.

The initiative, which launched on Jan. 12, is the result of a joint effort between the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) District Six and the Miami-Dade Expressway Authority (MDX) to help drivers make better informed driving decisions

and avoid congestion. With MIA being one of the city's major destination points, this information will provide trip-time estimations to thousands of motorists who travel to the airport. Additional travel time messages are also being posted for NW 32 Avenue at SR 924.

A total of nine Dynamic Message Signs (DMS) are displaying this information throughout Miami-Dade County. These messages, combined with the 511 Traveler Information Service, are provided to

assist motorists in their route planning and selection. By diverting even a small number of drivers away from congested highways, traveler information can help reduce congestion, increase safety and improve mobility.

The addition of these messages enhances the Department's ongoing effort to increase traveler information, and brings the number of travel time messages displayed to 38 from 29, covering more than 65 miles of highway throughout the county.

D6 Releases IM Team Quick Reference Guide

The District Six Traffic Incident Management (TIM) team recently published the second edition of the Incident Management (IM) Resource Guide Handbook to help increase in-the-field operator job performance and improve the program's overall level of service.

In its continuing efforts to optimize operations, the District's TIM Team conducted an in-house evaluation of their IM field personnel, which included Road Ranger Ser-



INCIDENT MANAGEMENT TEAM QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE



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vice Patrols and Incident Response Vehicle (IRV) operators. The evaluation

revealed certain areas requiring improvement, such as team communication and interagency coordination. As a result, the district created this handbook to be a high-level version of its IM Standard Operating Guidelines, capturing the document's most important points for easier use and convenience. The handbook contains easy-to-view graphics, quick tips and step-by-step instructions on how to handle various scenarios in the field.

What's New?

- D6 Participates in Transpo 2010
- D6 ITS Manager Wins ITS Champion of the Year Award
- D6 Wins Grand Prize in Statewide ITS Calendar Contest

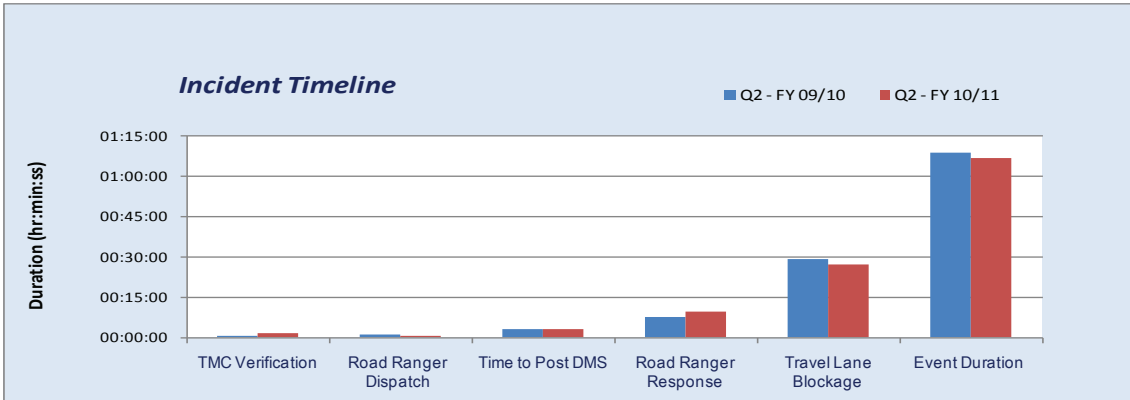
Upcoming Events

- E-mail Notification Alerts and RSS on SunGuide.org — Winter 2011
- Joint TIM Meeting — Spring 2011
- 95 Express Phase 2 Construction — Summer 2011
- ITS World Congress — Fall 2011

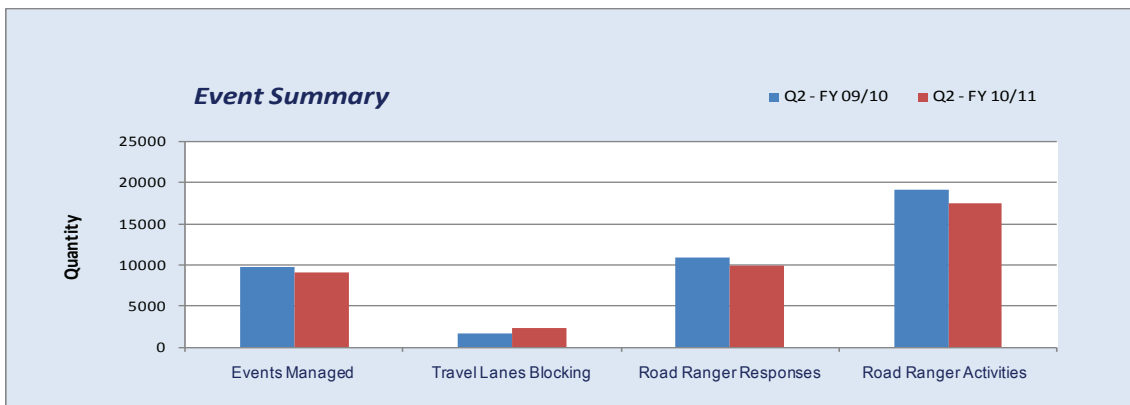


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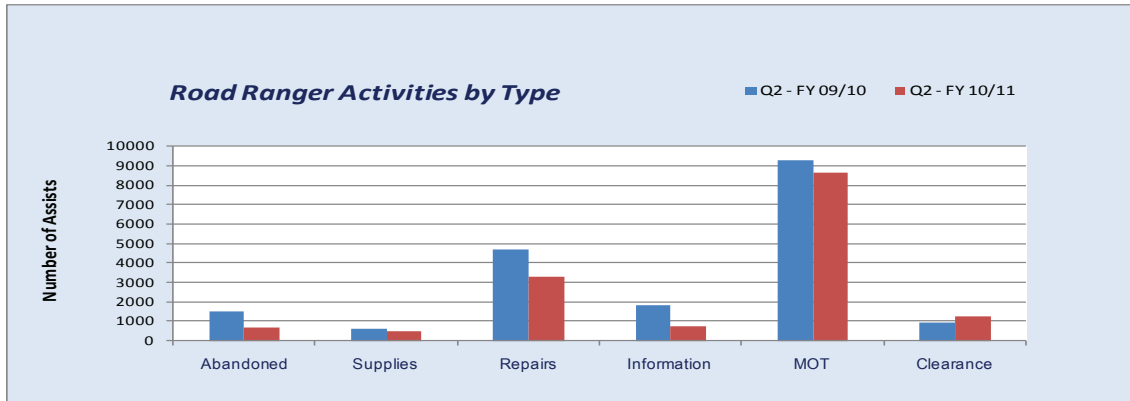
Travel Lane Blockage times decreased by about two minutes in FY 10/11 Q2, compared to FY 09/10 Q2.



The TMC handled nearly 700 more lane-blockage events in FY 10/11 Q2, compared to FY 09/10 Q2.



D6 posted about 4,700 more total DMS messages in FY 10/11 Q2, compared to FY 09/10 Q2.



Road Rangers performed more than 300 clearance activities during FY 10/11 Q2, compared to FY 09/10 Q2.

Note: Graphs depicted compare TMC operational statistics from Quarter 2 in Fiscal Year (FY) 2009/2010 to Quarter 2 in Fiscal Year 2010/2011.

RISC Stats

District Six implemented the Rapid Incident Scene Clearance (RISC) Program to reduce the impact of large-scale traffic events along our roadways. The program covers: Interstates 75, 95, 195, 395 and State Road 826.

- Total RISC activations in Fiscal Year (FY) 10/11 Quarter 2 = **2 total events**
- Average Arrival Time of RISC Vendors = **34 minutes**
- Average Travel Lane Clearance Time = **124 minutes**
- Average Total Incident Clearance Time = **194 minutes**

For more information on FDOT District Six and its incident management programs, be sure to visit SunGuide.org.

