

## RISC Approved for Pilot Program on Arterial Roads in Miami-Dade



The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) District Six TIM Team recently got the green light to expand their Rapid Incident Scene Clearance (RISC) program and will soon begin managing large-scale events along some of Miami-Dade County's arterial roadways, including Krome Avenue and Okeechobee Road, as well as the MacArthur Causeway.

The initiative is part of a pilot program initiated by the District at the request of the Miami-Dade Fire Rescue

Department.

The RISC Program's expansion will help first responders better manage complex events along more parts of the county to increase regional mobility and safety. If successful, the arterial services will become part of the regular RISC Program and will serve as a model that may be expanded along other parts of the state.

The RISC Program offers financial incentives to specialized companies

to respond to and provide complete clearance of incidents, such as large vehicle crashes and cargo spills within a specified period of time.

District Six coordinates with the Florida Highway Patrol (FHP) to activate the program and help restore highway capacity in shorter times than they would with regular towing and recovery services. District Six launched its RISC Program in July 2009 and has managed 11 events so far.

## D6, FHP in Talks for Quarterly Meetings

Transportation Management Center (TMC) staff at the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) District Six, as well as Miami-Dade Expressway Authority (MDX) TMC staff, are in talks with the Florida Highway Patrol's (FHP) Troop E to have quarterly coordination meetings.

The meetings' goal would be to obtain a better grasp on the four C's: coordination, cooperation, communication and consensus. They would be an open platform for FDOT staff

and FHP dispatchers and troopers to discuss operational issues in an effort to continue the District's mission of providing a seamless operation on all of Miami-Dade and Monroe counties' roadways.

The Troop, which is co-located at the TMC along with District Six and MDX operators, plays a pivotal role in achieving the District's incident management goals and promoting safety on its roadways, and the District values



its partnership with them.

While no meeting dates have been scheduled yet, TMC management, including MDX TMC management, hopes to hold the first quarterly meeting with FHP in early 2011.

## What's New?

- Travel Time Messages along I-95
- Two Additional Road Ranger Tow Trucks in Miami-Dade County
- Dedicated Construction Coordinator added to the TMC Operational Staff
- District Six ITS participation at FHWA/FDOT statewide TIM Workshop Event
- 95 Express Survey live on 95Express.com and SunGuide.org

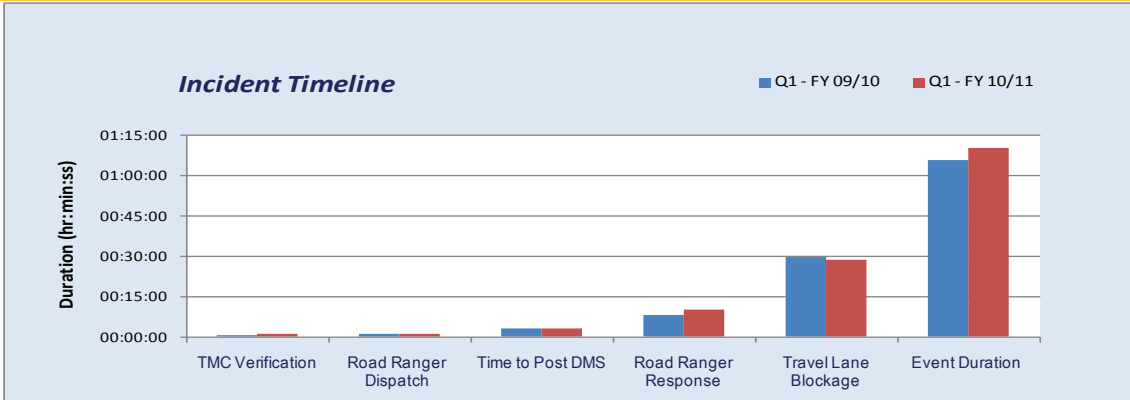
## Upcoming Events

- All CCTV images will be available on SunGuide.org in Fall 2010.
- District Six ITS Office to Participate in Transpo 2010 in Winter 2010
- 95 Express - Phase 2 Construction to begin Winter 2011

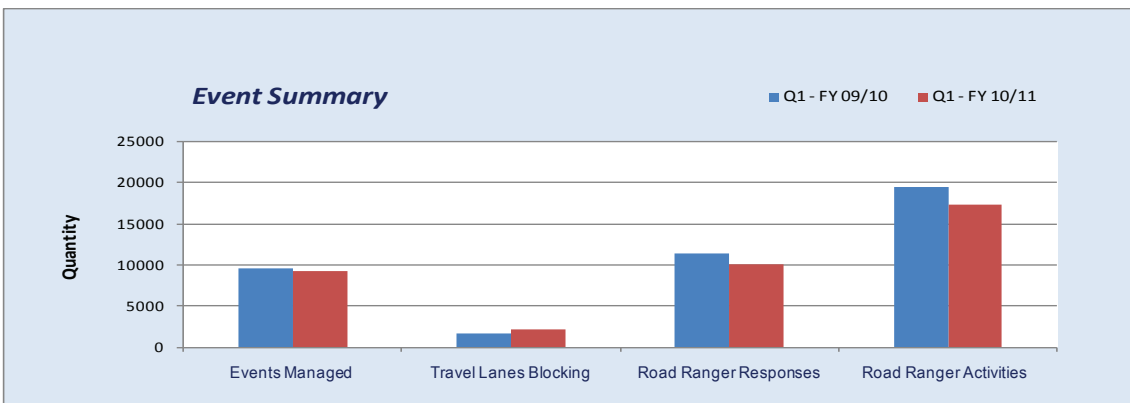


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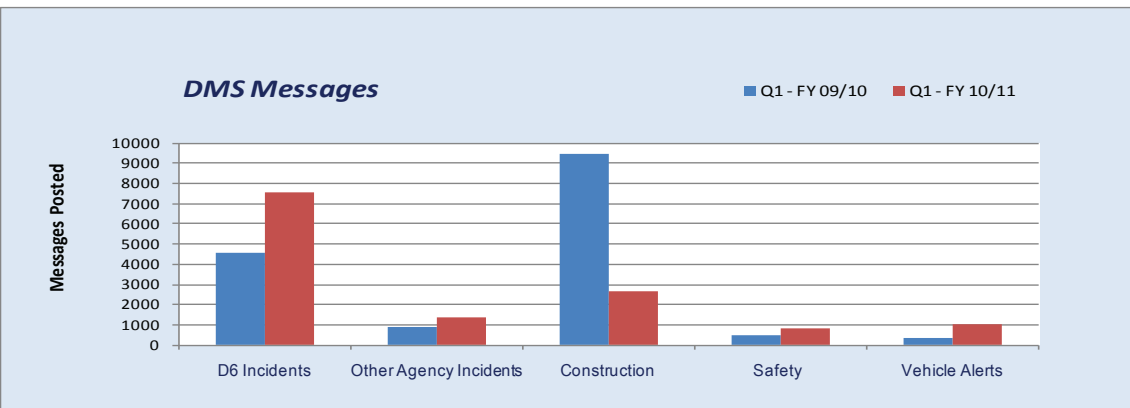
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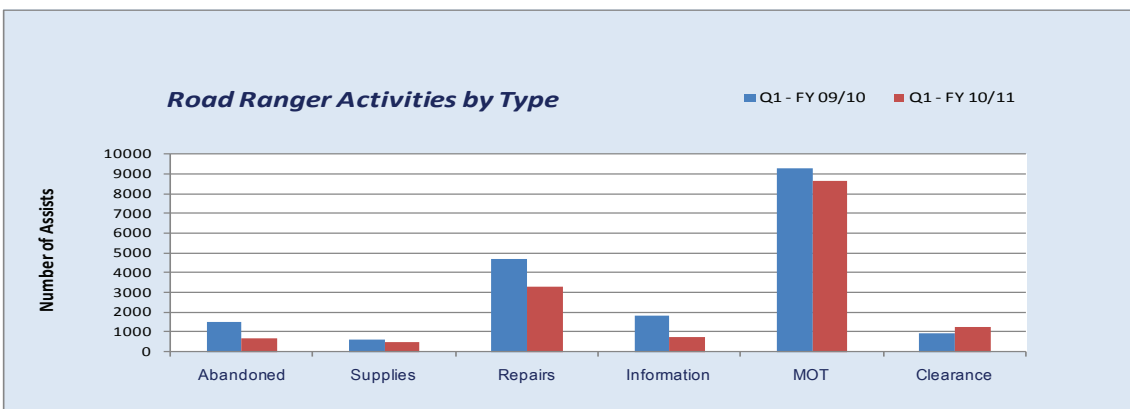
Travel Lane Blockage times decreased by about one minute in FY 10/11 Q1, compared to FY 09/10 Q1.



Road Rangers responded to nearly 500 more lane-blockage events in FY 10/11 Q1, compared to FY 09/10.



D6 posted about 3,000 more incident messages in FY 10/11 Q1, compared to FY 09/10 Q1.



Road Rangers performed more than 300 clearance activities during FY 10/11 Q1, compared to FY 09/10 Q1.

*Note: Graphs depicted compare TMC operational statistics from Quarter 1 in Fiscal Year (FY) 2009/2010 to Quarter 1 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 1 = **1 total event**
- Average Arrival Time of RISC Vendors = **9 minutes**
- Average Travel Lane Clearance Time = **21 minutes**
- Average Total Incident Clearance Time = **115 minutes**

*For more information on FDOT District Six and its incident management programs, be sure to visit [SunGuide.org](http://SunGuide.org).*

