

Safety Improvements on 95 Express!



A newly published report has revealed that enhancements made to 95 Express have improved the safety and mobility levels of Interstate 95 (I-95) in Miami-Dade County.

The improvements are a result of a multi-pronged safety initiative that targets illegal lane changing and aggressive driving on I-95. The first part of the initiative was completed

in December 2016 and focused on the express lanes markers (ELM) that separate the express lanes from the non-tolled general use lanes. The space between each marker was reduced from ten feet to five feet and the ELMs were replaced with sturdier, more durable markers to discourage these unsafe driver practices. The District Six Transportation Systems Management and Operations (TSM&O)

program partnered with the Florida Highway Patrol (FHP) to launch the safety initiative with a joint press conference in summer 2016.

The initiatives had a positive impact. The latest monthly report shows the facility experienced significant improvements in safety, performance and maintenance. The data revealed illegal lane changing decreased by 86% and driver crashes decreased by 33% while traffic volumes in the express lanes increased by 1.7%. The report also showed the new ELMs proved more resistant to impacts since replacement efforts went down by 92%.

The combination of these efforts show FDOT is committed to driver safety. The Department has begun work on additional initiatives to enhance current improvements. Keep up-to-date on the latest construction information or view the report by visiting www.fdotmiamidade.com.

District Six TIM Team Hosts Annual Meeting in Monroe County

District Six hosted its annual meeting for the Monroe County Traffic Incident Management (TIM) team on June 21. The purpose of the meeting was to provide partner agencies with an update about the incident management initiatives completed this past fiscal year and discuss lessons learned.

The District Six Transportation Systems Management and Operations (TSM&O) program provided updates on coordination with the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services for the screw worm animal checkpoint inspection pro-

gram, the installation of Florida Keys wind sensors, improvements to the FDOT wireless communication backbone along US-1, and Federal Highway Administration National TIM Responder training.

A representative from the National Weather Service gave a presentation covering the 2017 Atlantic Hurricane Season outlook. Staff from the FDOT District Six Emergency Operations Center (EOC) stressed the importance of preparation and suggested use of social media as a way to gather and disseminate key information regarding storm damage.

WHAT'S NEW?

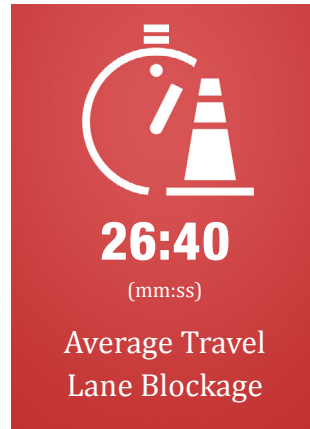
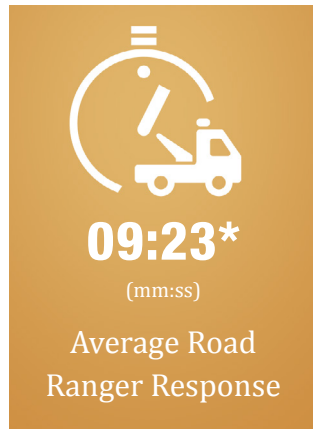
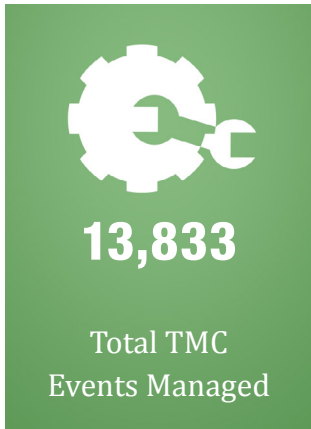
- ▣ D6 Promotes Distracted Driving Awareness Month in April
- ▣ FDOT Receives Two Awards for Updating the Florida 511 Traveler Information Service
- ▣ D6 Passes Emergency Preparedness Test

UPCOMING EVENTS

- ▣ Annual TIM Meeting - July 27

Quarterly Statistics

(April 1, 2017 - June 30, 2017)

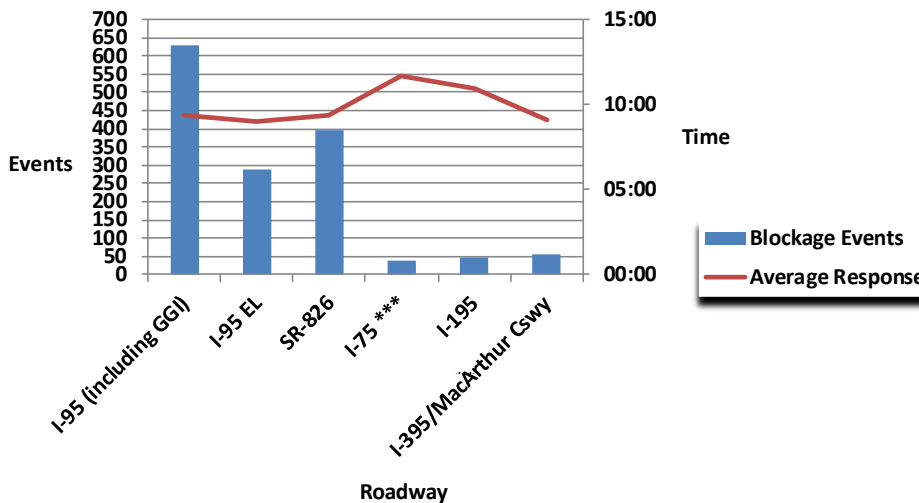


RISC STATS

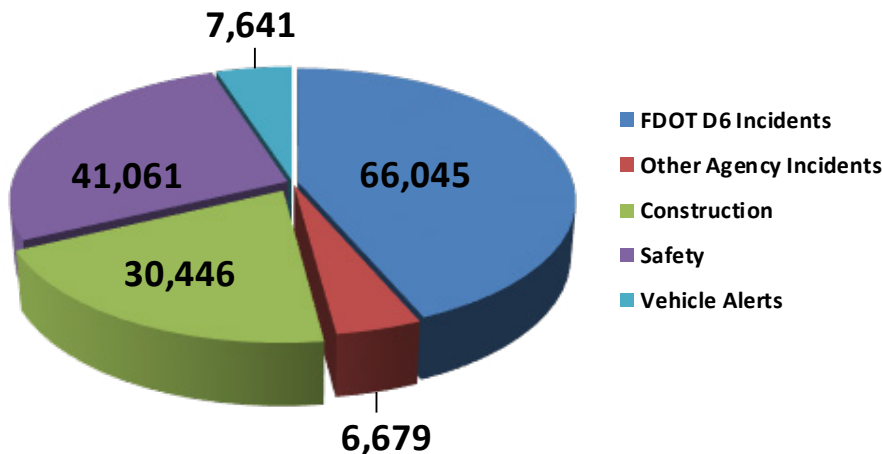
District Six implemented the Rapid Incident Scene Clearance (RISC) Program in 2009 to reduce the impact of large-scale traffic events along our roadways. The program covers: Interstates 75, 95, 195, 395, State Road 826, Krome Avenue, Okeechobee Road and the MacArthur Causeway.

- ▣ RISC activations in Fiscal Year (FY) 16/17 Quarter 4 = 6 events
- ▣ Average Arrival Time of RISC Vendors = 36 minutes
- ▣ Average Travel Lane Clearance Time = 36 minutes
- ▣ Average Total Incident Clearance Time = 91 minutes

LANE BLOCKAGE EVENTS, AVERAGE RESPONSE**



QUARTERLY DMS USAGE BY TYPE



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

* For events not detected by a Road Ranger.

** The figures presented are based only on travel lane blockage events per roadway.

*** I-75 is dispatch-only for Road Rangers