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SAFE OPERATING PROCEDURES

Flagging Traffic		SOP 10-9		
Hazard Review				
Traffic	Struck By	Night Work		
Required Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)				
(Based on job specific hazard review)				
ANSI Class 2 or 3 Safety Vest	Safety Toe Shoes			

- 1. Flaggers shall be properly trained in flagging techniques prior to beginning a flagging operation.
- 2. Site supervisors shall discuss and document flagging operations as part of tailgate/ORM meeting.
- 3. Flaggers shall wear appropriate PPE including safety footwear, safety glasses, High-Visibility ANSI 107-2004 or equivalent revision Class 2 or 3 yellow-green safety vests or t-shirt (if permitted in respective Division) and orange cap or orange hard hat. Orange covers can also be worn over other color hard hats. For night time work, the use of ANSI 107-2004 or equivalent revision Class 3 yellow-green safety vest or t-shirt (if permitted in respective Division) is highly recommended.
- 4. Always set up flagging stations so that they are highly visible to traffic with good approach sight distance. The flagger shall be a minimum of 500' from an erected Flagger Sign but never standing in a curve. Flagging Stations shall be illuminated for night time operations.
- 5. **NEVER stand in a lane that is open to traffic.**
- 6. Work zone traffic control warning signs and STOP/SLOW paddles shall meet current MUTCD standards, be clean, and legible. Signs shall be mounted on a Staff to allow for traffic to see over the 1st stopped car. .Always remove signs when flagging operations are not in progress.
- 7. Identify and use escape routes in case of emergency and always face oncoming traffic. Discuss best/worst case scenarios with your supervisor when flagging on a bridge.
- 8. Give clear and concise signals/messages to drivers and coordinate with other flaggers.
- 9. Flaggers should be in communication with each other or maintain visual contact.
- 10. Be aware of moving equipment in the work zone. Always establish eye contact with the operator before approaching equipment.
- 11. Air horns and other Alert Systems should be used when available to alert workers of emergency situations such as unexpected entry or intrusion into work zone.

Related SOP's

General SOP's.....Chapter 10

SOP 11B-44..... Inmate Labor