



**Southwest Minnesota Toward Zero Deaths
Regional Workshop – Jackpot Junction
39375 County Road 24, Morton
Tuesday, May 14, 2024
8:30 a.m. – 3 p.m.**

Agenda

- 8:30 a.m. **Registration and Continental Breakfast**
- 9 a.m. **Welcome & Regional Roundup**
Jon Huseby, District engineer, MnDOT District 8, and southwest Minnesota regional TZD co-chair; Sarah McGeary-DeHaan, southwest Minnesota TZD regional coordinator
- 9:15 a.m. **Strategic Highway Safety Plan: Minnesota Needs YOU!**
MnDOT Staff and Alliant Engineering
Every five years, the Minnesota Strategic Highway Safety Plan (SHSP) is updated. It is time to update the plan – and we want your ideas! Through interactive activities and discussion, help prioritize emphasis areas, identify and rank strategies and suggest local champions to assist with developing a plan that works for Minnesota.
- 10 a.m. **Safe Roads Coalition Showcase: Renville County**
Sheila Denton, Southern Minnesota Child Passenger Safety liaison; Mary Erickson, Renville County Safe Roads coordinator; Karla Koplín, Renville County Sheriff's Office; Krista Schneider, Renville County Public Health; Sabrina Skold, Minnesota State Patrol
Renville County was recently recognized at the State TZD Conference for their innovational activities. They implemented a countywide car seat distribution system to have car seats available for traffic stops in each town, when children are not in appropriate fitting care seats, or if they were involved in a crash.
- 10:40 a.m. **BREAK**
- 10:55 a.m. **SHSP Activity #2: Focus Area Strategies**
MnDOT Staff and Alliant Engineering
- 11:30 a.m. **Understanding Grief: What to Say, What to Do, How to Help**
Randy Stocker, Author of "Hugs Help; Our Story or Tragic Loss, Survival, and Helping Others."
Loss and grief have widespread impact on personal well-being, workplace engagement, relationships, and more. Gain some practical insight on how best to help while boosting your own resilience when these situations arise.
- 12:15 p.m. **Lunch & Exhibits**

- 1 p.m. **ATV/UTV -- What You Need to Know**
*Conservation Officer Brett Wiltrout, Dept. of Natural Resources Hutchinson #1 station;
Conservation Officer Matt Loftness, Dept. of Natural Resources Marshall station*
What is an ATV vs. UTV? The DNR permits and regulates off-highway vehicles. This includes ATVs, OHMs and ORVs. What is the DNR seeing out on our roads and trails regarding ATV/UTVs? What are the rules and regulations and are they being followed? How can we all work together to keep everyone safe, while enjoying the outdoors on these vehicles?
- 1:30 p.m. **ATV MN—Who Are We?**
*Chris Conroy-ATV Minnesota Safety Committee; South Metro ATV; DNR Youth Safety instructor,
DNR Trail ambassador*
ATV MN is the State Association representing 70 ATV clubs and ATV riding families across Minnesota. It promotes safe, responsible ATV riding, and provides ATV clubs with the “tools” they need to build ATV trails for the riding public that are fun and sustainable, while protecting natural resources. Hear what the ATV/UTV riders see on the trails and how the trails interact with the state highways as well as county and local roads.
- 2 p.m. **How Complete Streets Create a Safe System**
Sonja Piper, Active Transportation Safety engineer, MnDOT Office of Traffic Engineering
Learn how to apply a Complete Streets approach to design roadways that serve all users safely. This session will provide foundational information about what it means to apply a Complete Streets approach and how it connects to the Safe System Approach. Learn about MnDOT’s updated Complete Streets Policy and what they can expect, along with best practices and lessons learned from project case studies in Minnesota.
- 2:30 p.m. **SHSP Report Out**
- 2:45 p.m. **Wrap up & Evaluation**
*Capt. Casey Meagher, Minnesota State Patrol, District 2300, and southwest Minnesota regional
TZD co-chair*
- 3 p.m. **Adjourn & Regional Traffic Safety Photo**

Please take time throughout the day to visit the traffic safety exhibit tables for reference materials and ideas to implement in your communities.

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