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Rapid Incident Scene Clearance (RISC) 3rd Quarter Report

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Introduction

The Rapid Incident Scene Clearance (RISC) program, a highly innovative heavy-duty towing and recovery program, supports Florida's Open Roads Policy, which establishes a 90-minute goal for clearance of a motor vehicle crash or incident on Florida's roadways. The purpose of the RISC program is to safely and quickly restore highway facilities for safe public use. This program is a major component of Florida's traffic incident management strategy.

RISC supports the Open Roads Policy by creating an incentive-based program that pays qualified, participating tow companies' monetary bonuses for meeting quick clearance goals for the rapid removal of more complex traffic incidents. In order to participate in the program, towing and recovery companies must meet equipment requirements and training standards that were developed to ensure the safe and efficient clearance of major incidents.

The RISC program is most commonly used during major incidents that cause complete roadway closures on limited-access facilities where it is imperative to quickly restore traffic flow. This program does not eliminate the current FHP Class "C" (heavy-duty) wrecker class, but supplements it in those situations where there is a need for specialized equipment.

The purpose of this report is to provide preliminary performance information based on data provided from the districts on RISC incidents that have occurred in the reporting quarter. The information presented below is for all RISC incidents that occurred in the Districts with RISC programs.

RISC Performance

Table 1: General RISC Program Information

District	Number of RISC Vendors	Roadway Segments	Miles Covered
1	2	I-75, I-275	210
2	4	I-10, I-75, I-95, I-295, and J. Turner Butler Blvd.	280
4	6	I-75, I-95, I-595	201
6	3	I-75, I-95, I-195, I-395, SR 826, and SR 970	87
7	2	I-4*, I-75, I-275	188
Turnpike	9	Mainline, Homestead Extension, Sawgrass Expressway, BeachLine West Expressway, Seminole Expressway/Toll 417, Western Beltway, Suncoast Parkway, Veterans Expressway, Southern Connector Extension/Toll 417	460

**Note: District 7 manages the RISC program on I-4, not only in their own geographical area, but also in Polk County for District 1 as well.*

Figure 1: Third Quarter RISC Incidents by FY

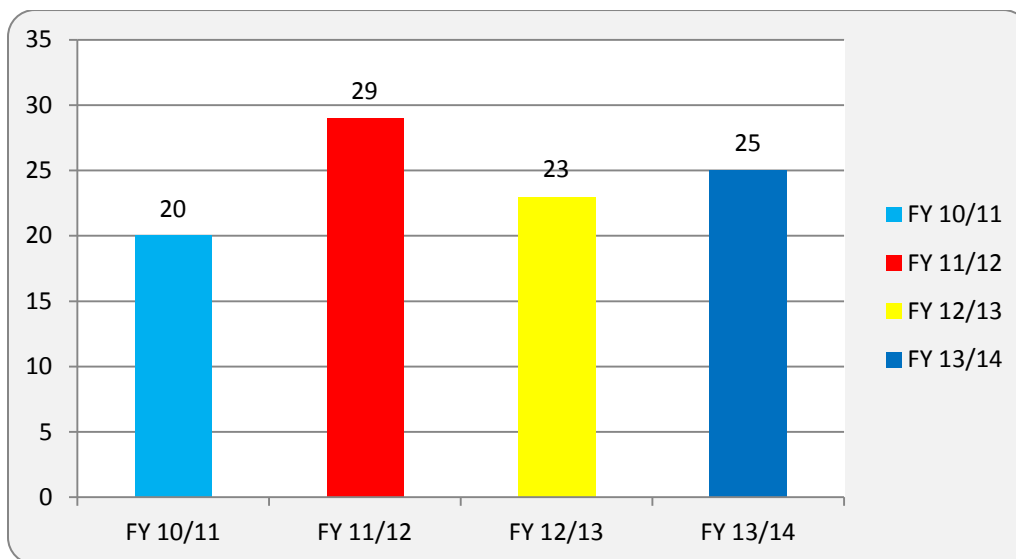
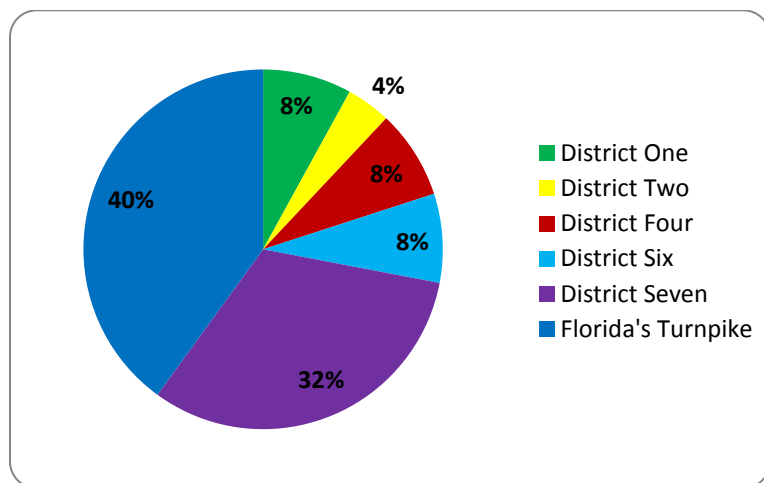
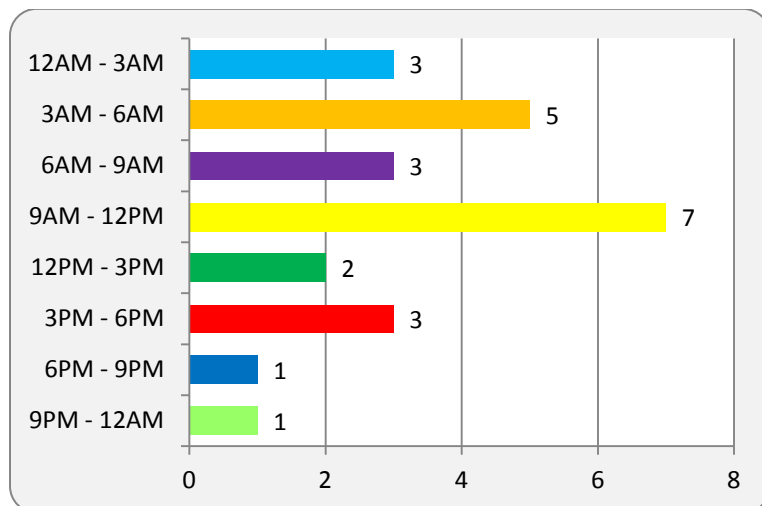


Figure 2: Third Quarter RISC Activations by District



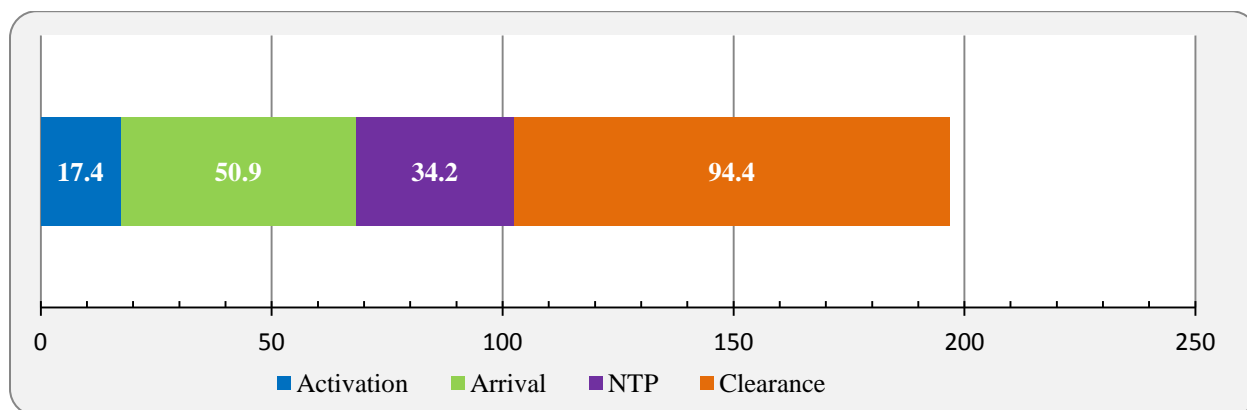
Activations by District	
District One	2
District Two	1
District Four	2
District Six	2
District Seven	8
Florida's Turnpike	10
TOTAL	25

Figure 3: Third Quarter RISC Activations by Time- of-Day



Activations by Time-of-Day	
12AM – 3AM	3
3AM – 6AM	5
6AM – 9AM	3
9AM – 12PM	7
12PM – 3PM	2
3PM – 6PM	3
6PM – 9PM	1
9PM – 12AM	1

Figure 4: Third Quarter Statewide Average RISC Incident Duration



**Note: Numerical values represent minutes.*