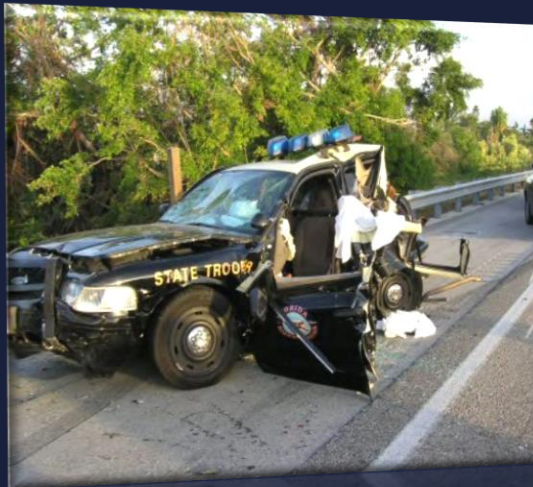


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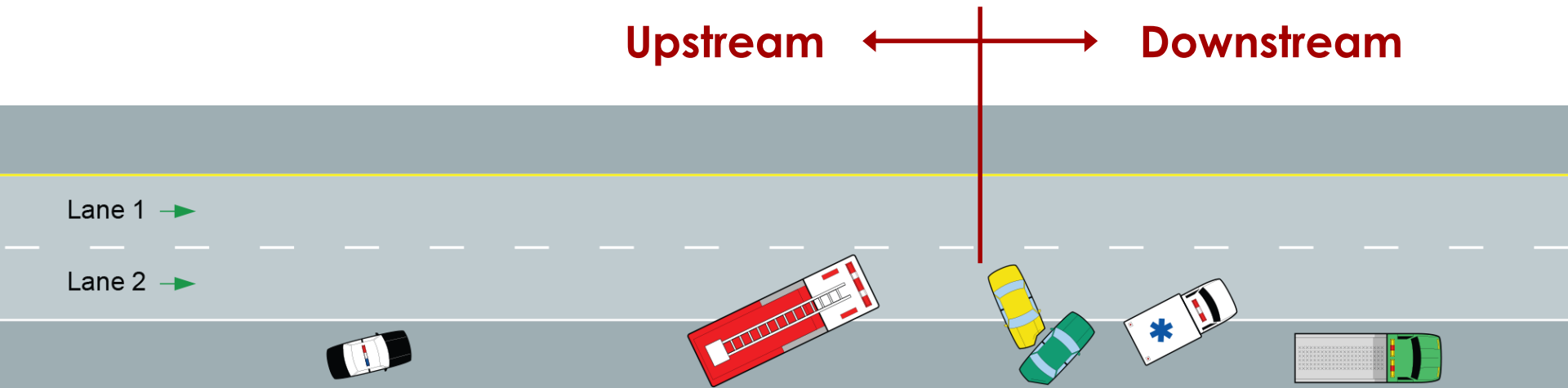
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SAFE PARKING
SCENE SAFETY

STAY ALIVE

Typical Vehicle Positioning



Upstream

- Law Enforcement
- Fire
- DOT or Safety Service Patrol Vehicle

Downstream

- Ambulance
- Tow Truck
- Other Support Units

Safe-Positioned – MUTCD Definition

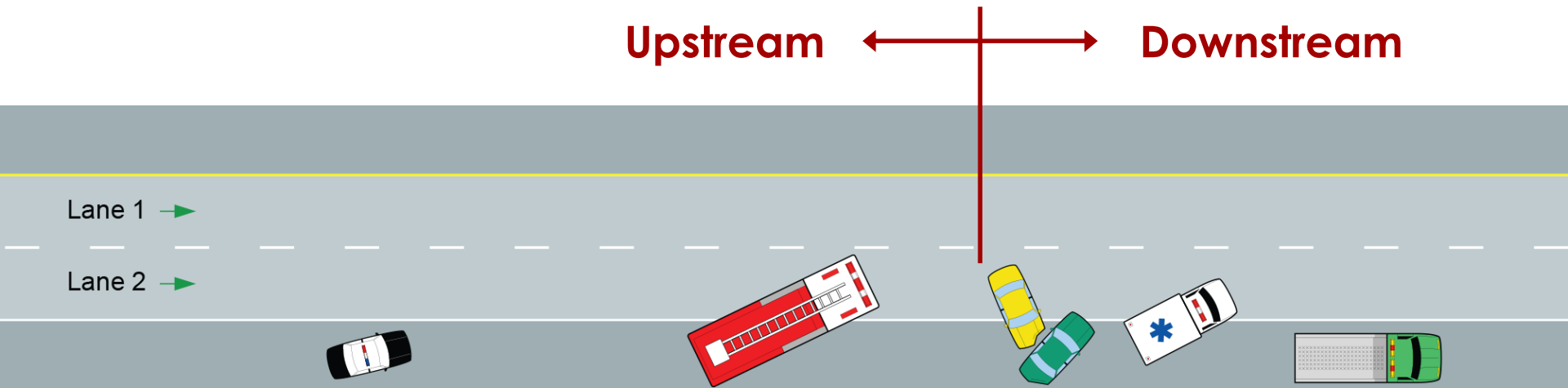
The positioning of emergency vehicles at an incident in a manner that attempts to:

1. Protect the responders performing their duties
2. Protect road users traveling through the incident scene
3. Minimize, to the extent practical, disruption of the adjacent traffic flow

- Blocking is the action of positioning a responder vehicle in advance of an incident to obstruct the flow of moving traffic in one or more lanes
 - Linear Block – occurs when a responder positions their vehicle to block a single lane or the shoulder
 - Multi-Lane Block – occurs when the first responder positions their vehicle to block multiple involved lanes

- There are two ways an emergency response vehicle is commonly positioned on the roadway
 - Angled
 - Parallel (straight)
- Considerations for determining how to position a vehicle include:
 - Current conditions, such as roadway geometry, sight distance, weather, etc.
 - Safety of other responders, crash victims, and passing motorists
 - Impact to vehicle visibility, including vehicle markings and emergency vehicle lighting

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- Verification involves collecting sufficient information on the nature of the incident including identifying:
 - Type and level of incident
 - Exact physical location
 - Number of vehicles involved
 - Color and type if possible
 - Lanes affected
 - Injuries, entrapment

Initial/Windshield Size-Up

- Upon first arriving on-scene, an initial or windshield size-up report should be provided
 - Confirmation of geographical location
 - Preliminary analysis of current situation
 - Actions required to mitigate the situation
 - Resources required to support those actions
- Should take into consideration any unique safety situations apparent to responders as they arrive on-scene

Incident Duration Classifications

Minor



< 30 minutes

Intermediate



30 min - 2 hrs

Major



> 2 hours



Lane +1 Blocking – Protected Incident Space



Lane +1 Blocking



MUTCD Section 6D.03 states:

All workers, including emergency responders, within the right-of-way of a roadway who are exposed either to traffic (vehicles using the highway for purposes of travel) or to work vehicles and construction equipment **SHALL** wear high-visibility safety apparel...

Advance Warning Signs

