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CONSTRUCTION MEMORANDUM

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SUBJECT: Law Enforcement Officer, LEO, Interstate Communications Plan with ISP Dispatch Centers.

Due to problems encountered with Law Enforcement Officers, LEOs, communicating effectively with Indiana State Police, ISP, when working an interstate shift, a plan has been developed to help instruct LEOs, the Contractor, and Department field staff on proper protocol. The procedures are described in greater detail within the following pages of this memorandum.

This process is intended to be utilized by LEOs working interstate shifts. This process involves LEOs making initial contact with ISP, prior to their work shift, to establish an effective and accessible radio communications channel between the LEO and ISP. This accessible radio channel provides a positive method for the LEO to monitor communications during incidents, relay information, and receive instructions and information concerning roadway and work zone conditions.

Questions concerning this procedure should be directed to your representative Field Engineer in Construction Management or Kathy Borgmann, Work Zone Incident Management Program Director (kborgmann@indot.in.gov).

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Law Enforcement Communication Procedures with ISP Dispatch Centers

1. If the LEO does have the ISP Dispatch channel on their radio, they shall mark on at the beginning of their shift and monitor this channel for the duration of the shift. The LEO shall mark off when their shift is over.
2. If the LEO does not have the ISP Dispatch channel present on their radio, the LEO shall contact, by phone, the correct dispatch center (*see map next page*) for the area in which they are working. The LEO shall provide the following information to ISP Dispatch:
 - a. their name, phone number, and law enforcement agency,
 - b. their work zone location, and
 - c. the shift hours they are working.

Once contacted, the ISP Dispatch operator will assign a mutual aid channel that is on the LEO's radio.

With the radio channel established, the LEO shall monitor the assigned channel for the duration of their shift. The LEO shall mark off when their shift is over.

3. LEOs are to use the mutual aid channel for communication during incidents, relay information, or receive instructions and information.

Indiana State Police Regional Dispatch List

Identify your work location and call the appropriate dispatch center using the direct line

