

Work Zone Information Sharing Workshop Agenda

Workshop Information

Date: December 9, 2025 Time: 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Location: Gateway Hotel & Conference Center, Ames, IA - Garden Room

Purpose of Workshop

Bring together those with a vested interest in Iowa DOT work zones to collaborate, share, learn, and work towards closing the feedback loop between field staff and project engineers.

Agenda

- 7:30 AM: Registration Opens
- 8:00 AM: Welcome
 - Speaker: Construction & Materials Bureau Director
 - o Speaker: Wes Musgrove, Systems Operations Division Director
- 8:05 AM: Workshop Purpose and Agenda Overview
 - Speaker: Brian Worrel, Work Zone Operations Engineer
- 8:10 AM: Live Poll #1
- 8:15 AM: Iowa DOT Executive Update
 - Speaker: Scott Marler, Iowa Department of Transportation Director
- 8:45 AM: Work Zone Collaboration Efforts with Iowa State Patrol
 - o Speaker: Colonel Nathan Fulk, Iowa State Patrol Chief
 - Speaker: Major Troy Bailey, Iowa State Patrol Field Operations Commander
 - o Speaker: Major Darren Reid, Iowa State Patrol Commercial Motor Vehicle Unit
- 9:15 AM: Work Zone Crash Statistics & Trends
 - o Speaker: Jan Laaser-Webb, State Safety Engineer
 - Speaker: Larry Grant, Traffic Operations & Safety Bureau
 - o Speaker: Samuel Okafor, Traffic Operations & Safety Bureau
- 9:45 AM: Live Poll #2
- 10:00 Break

- 10:30 AM: Moderated Discussion
 - o Moderator: Brian Worrel, Work Zone Operations Engineer
- 12:00 PM: Lunch
- 1:00 PM: Current Work Zone Initiatives
 - o Speaker: Willy Sorenson, Iowa DOT Traffic Operations & Safety Bureau
 - o Speaker: Skylar Knickerbocker, ISU Institute for Transportation
 - o Speaker: Brian Worrel, Work Zone Operations Engineer
- 2:30 PM: Live Poll #3
- 2:35 PM: Break
- 2:50 PM: Moderated Discussion
 - o Moderator: Brian Worrel, Work Zone Operations Engineer
- 4:20 PM: Getting Involved & Closing Remarks
 - o Speaker: Brian Worrel, Work Zone Operations Engineer
 - o Speaker: Wes Musgrove, Systems Operations Division Director
- 4:30 PM: Adjourn