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### Media Invited to Join First Responders at Training Courses in Columbia, Greenville, Florence and Myrtle Beach Areas

The South Carolina Department of Transportation (SCDOT) is offering free training courses in the Columbia, Florence, Greenville and Myrtle Beach areas for first responders interested in receiving the FHWA Traffic Incident Management (TIM) training.

Media members are invited to attend any of the training courses listed below:

- Columbia; June 17, from 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Columbia Fire Department Training Academy, 2740 The Blvd., Columbia.
- Florence area; June 16, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Florence County Sheriff's Department, 6719 Friendfield Road, Effingham.
- Greenville area; June 29, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.; Pelham/Batesville Fire Department, 2761 SC-14, Greer.
- Myrtle Beach; June 23, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.; Myrtle Beach Police Department, 3340 Mustang St., Myrtle Beach.

**Contact: Mike Bowman of SCDOT, (803) 513-2435**

SCDOT's Mike Bowman can be interviewed on any of the subjects covered. In addition, he has information about how fast a crash can create traffic back-ups measured in minutes and miles as well as other cause for delay that drivers experience when caught in a traffic tie-up due to a crash. Also, training modules will include the SC Move Over law and SC Quick Clearance Law. The intent is to provide training in clearing highway incidents faster and more safely for all agencies and services that respond to highway crashes.

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