



MARION COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Board Session Agenda Review Form

Meeting date: April 10, 2024

Department: Public Works

Title: Work Zone Awareness Week Proclamation

Management Update/Work Session Date: April 2, 2024 Audio/Visual aids

Time Required: 10 min Contact: Lani Radtke Phone: 503-949-5489

Requested Action: Marion County Public Works is requesting recognition of National Work Zone Awareness Week (NWZAW) on 4/15-4/19 and Go Orange Day on 4/17, both for awareness to the public and recognition of Marion County employees working in and around traffic in work zones.

Issue, Description & Background: In 2021, 956 people were killed in work zone crashes throughout the US. Each year since 1999, NWZAW has been held to bring national attention to motorist and worker safety and mobility issues in work zones. The 2024 national safety campaign theme is "Work Zones are temporary. Actions behind the wheel can last forever." There are a number of events throughout the week (including Go Orange Day on Wed 4/17) which are especially important to the families of victims who have lost their lives in work zones. In an effort to increase awareness, Marion County Public Works will also be posting safety awareness messages, showcasing some of our workers each day of the week.

Financial Impacts: None

Impacts to Department & External Agencies: None

List of attachments: Work Zone Awareness Week Proclamation

Presenter: Lani Radtke, Matthew Bathke, Scott Wilson

Department Head Signature: [Handwritten Signature]

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

FOR MARION COUNTY, OREGON

In the matter of proclaiming the week of)
April 15-19, 2024, as Work Zone Awareness)
Week in Marion County.)

PROCLAMATION No. _____

This matter came before the Marion County Board of Commissioners at its regularly scheduled public meeting on April 10, 2024.

WHEREAS, the safety of the public, including Marion County workers and contractors, are of the utmost importance to Marion County; and;

WHEREAS, there were 956 deaths in construction work zones throughout the US in 2021; and

WHEREAS, there is a national safety campaign to increase awareness of work zone safety throughout the US; and

WHEREAS, data and trends show vehicle speeds and crash frequencies increasing throughout the US; and

WHEREAS, distracted driving is identified as a common crash cause throughout the US; and

WHEREAS, the number of construction activities and associated construction work zones are continuing to increase throughout Marion County; and

WHEREAS, Marion County Public Works is committed to safety of the public and workers in Marion County construction work zones by prioritizing safety, raising awareness,

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and stressing the importance of focused and alert driving through work zones ; now,
therefore,

IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED that the week of April 15-19, 2024, is Work Zone
Awareness Week in Marion County.

DATED at Salem, Oregon, this ____ day of _____ 20__.

MARION COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Chair

Commissioner

Commissioner

2024 National Work Zone Awareness Week

Work Zones are **temporary**. Actions behind the wheel can last **forever**.

