



**Southeast Minnesota Toward Zero Deaths  
12<sup>th</sup> Annual Regional Workshop Agenda  
International Event Center  
7333 Airport View Drive SW, Rochester**

**May 5, 2016**

- 8 a.m.                   **Registration and Continental Breakfast**
- 8:30 a.m.               **Welcome and TZD Highlights from the Region, Counties & State**  
Grand Ballroom 1  
*Jeff Vlaminck, District engineer, MnDOT District 6; Capt. Mark Holm, State Patrol Commander, District 2100; Jessica Schleck, southeast Minnesota TZD regional coordinator; TZD Safe Roads county coalition coordinators; Kristine Hernandez, Minnesota TZD program coordinator*
- 9:30 a.m.               **Critical Incident Stress Management**  
*Cathy Anderson, Southeast Minnesota Critical Incident Management Team*  
Emergency responders – whether paramedics, law enforcement or maintenance workers – all experience stress in some way when encountering a crash. Learn how a critical incident stress debriefing can help mitigate those effects. Discover resources available for both emergency and non-emergency personnel who may need additional support.
- 10 a.m.                   **Break and Exhibits**
- 10:15 a.m.              **Regional TZD Crash Facts Overview**  
*Sgt. Troy Christianson, Minnesota State Patrol*
- 10:45 a.m.              **Shattered Dreams: Distracted Driving Changes Lives**  
*Trooper Jeff Stearns, Minnesota State Patrol, District 2300; Chris Weber, distracted driver*  
Andrea Boeve and her two young daughters were biking near their family farm when a distracted driver changed everything. On June 30, 2014, 33-year-old Andrea was struck and killed and her daughters were seriously injured because a driver’s eyes were on his phone and not on the road. “I was a 26-year-old loving life, two kids – and then I made that bad choice,” said Chris Weber, “that choice I can’t take back and I killed someone because of it.” Weber, who pled guilty to criminal vehicular homicide, served six months in jail in 2015 and will serve an additional three months each in 2016 and 2017.
- 11:30 a.m.              **Lunch and Exhibits**
- 12:15 p.m.              **New Concepts on the Horizon: Flexible Design**  
*Derek Leuer, assistant state Traffic safety engineer, MnDOT, and Jim Rosenow, Design flexibility engineer, MnDOT*  
MnDOT is implementing the concept of performance-based design. What does all this mean? How can we explore opportunities to use flexible design as a cost-effective tool that will maximize our resources without compromising roadway safety?

12:45 p.m.

**What Are They Thinking? Understanding the High Risk Driver**

*Mike Rugani, Research & Evaluation manager, DPS Office of Traffic Safety*

High risk drivers are at an increased risk of crashes, but their perception of themselves and the risks involved doesn't necessarily match reality. Find out what we learned about these drivers and the decisions they make on the road. Understanding the high-risk driver will assist us in developing the best strategies to help them make smarter choices, ultimately driving us toward our goal of zero deaths.

1:15 p.m.

**Navigating the TZD Landscape One "E" at a Time – Breakout Sessions**

*Facilitator: Gina Baas, associate director, Center for Transportation Studies, University of Minnesota*

Gain an understanding of current TZD efforts and resources available in southeast Minnesota through individual group discussions. Share successful traffic safety countermeasures being done locally, challenges encountered and how these efforts can be implemented in your communities. Discussion topics will highlight efforts by each "E" and be selected using southeast Minnesota crash data.

2:45 p.m.

**Door Prizes and Adjourn**

***Please take time throughout the day to visit the traffic safety exhibit tables for reference materials and ideas to implement in your communities.***