

# Texas Strategic Highway Safety Plan Update

3<sup>rd</sup> Emphasis Area Team Meeting Roadway and Lane Departure 3/24/2017 Austin, TX

# Agenda

- Welcome and introductions (roll call)
- Review new data runs
- Finalize strategies
- Discuss countermeasures

# Team Members

Commitment	Responsible	Due Date
	Person	
Talk to Ken Mora about Safety Edge	Darren	Next
	McDaniel	Meeting
Talk to air flight response people about joining	Lucille Maes	Next
EA team		Meetin
Ask Senior Sergeant Danny Plummer about	Darren	Complet
joining the EA team	McDaniel	e

#### SVROR K & A Crashes: Object Struck

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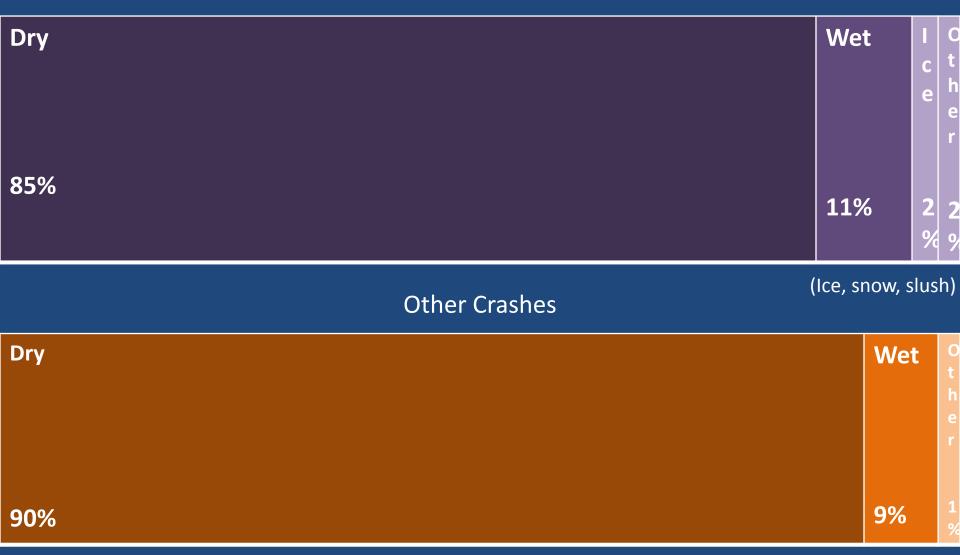
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#### Rural

Overturned	Tree, shrub, lands	Fence	Culvert headw all	Gu ar dr ail	Other
28%	16%	13%	7%	5 %	31%

#### K & A Crashes: Surface condition comparison

**SVROR** 



# COUNTERMEASURES

## A Word on Countermeasures

Effectiveness (history, current, new measures)

Impact (history, priorities)

Feasibility (policies, resources, expertise, sponsors, public acceptance)

## Analysis

- Analyze ROR and head-on crashes and roadway characteristics using the new safety methodologies (e.g. HSM and systemic approaches)
  - Improve data systems for targeting locations with a high probability of at high risk for roadway departure crashes by road (city street, arterial, connectors, etc.), vehicle (passenger vehicle, motorcycle, bicycle, etc.), and location (rural, urban, suburban) type.
  - Enhance methods to identify performance measures to assess ROR and head-on crashes

#### Implementation

- Keep vehicles from encroaching on the roadside or opposite lane
  - Provide positive guidance to keep vehicles in their lane
  - Provide measures to allow drivers to traverse curves

### Implementation cont.

- Minimize the consequences of vehicles leaving the road
  - Implement barriers and forgiving roadside countermeasures
  - Median treatments

#### Implementation

- Minimize the likelihood of crashing in adverse conditions
  - Implement countermeasures to reduce nighttime crashes.
  - Identify and address locations subject to wet weather ROR crashes.

### Behavioral

- Identify and address behavioral characteristics with roadway departure.
  - Develop and implement strategies to encourage drivers to adjust speeds appropriately.

#### **Emergency Response**

Improve emergency response time in rural areas

# Summary and Adjourn

- Review action items
- Schedule additional meeting if needed
- Announcements
- Adjourn