

## Driver Safety

Roadway work zones are hazardous, both for workers and motorists who drive through the complex array of signs, barrels and lane changes. Please keep the following tips in mind when driving through work zones:

- Slow down and always follow posted work zone speed limits. Speeding is one of the major causes of work zone crashes. Remember, traffic fines double in work zones when workers are present; fines can cost up to \$2,000.
- Pay attention. Workers and heavy equipment may only be a few feet from passing vehicles.
- Don't tailgate.
- Stay alert and minimize distractions such as cell phones.
- Obey road crew flaggers;
- Expect the unexpected. Delays from highway and city construction can be frustrating, but it only takes a few extra minutes to slow down for a work zone.
- Plan ahead. Leave a few minutes early when traveling through a work zone in order to reach your destination on time.

