Glossary of Terms

Below are helpful terms associated with traffic control zones.

Remember to always double-check with your State or agency for standards, specifications, and definitions.

Terms

- **Intermediate Term Stationary:**
  - Work that occupies a location more than one daylight period up to 3 days, or nighttime work lasting more than 1 hour.

- **Lane Closure:**
  - One or more lanes of a traveled roadway closed to traffic with at least one lane left open.

- **Lane Construction:**
  - One or more lanes narrowed but the number of lanes remains the same.

- **Long Term Stationary:**
  - Work that occupies a location for more than 3 days.

- **Mobile/Moving:**
  - Construction, maintenance, or utility activity that moves in an intermittent or continuous fashion along the road without stopping, usually at low speeds.

- **One Lane Two Way Operation:**
  - Work zone where one lane is utilized for both directions of traffic.

- **Roadside:**
  - The area adjacent to a traveled roadway where work activity is taking place.

- **Short Term Stationary:**
Daytime work that occupies a location from 1 to 12 hours.

- **Shoulder Closure:**
  - Activity that closes the roadway shoulder but does not reduce the number of lanes.