



## Florida Department of Transportation District Five Regional Transportation Management Center



### Road Rangers Provide Safety and Service

With hundreds of thousands of drivers rolling along Central Florida's highways and major roadways every day, traffic incidents are bound to happen.

But what happens in the moments right after engine trouble or a flat tire can mean the difference between a minor inconvenience for one driver and a major traffic backup for thousands of others.

Fortunately, some of the most heavily traveled roads in Central Florida receive help from the Florida Department of Transportation's (FDOT) Road Ranger Service Patrol program. With their well-stocked roadside-assistance trucks, Road Rangers are problem solvers, troubleshooters, and occasional lifesavers, shielding incident scenes and stranded motorists from dangerous passing traffic. They can render a number of services for free, including changing a tire, providing gas, making minor mechanical repairs, and moving a disabled vehicle to a safe spot. By safely and quickly relocating motorists and their disabled vehicles out of harm's way, Road Rangers help keep traffic flowing and minimize the risk of setting off secondary crashes.

Road Rangers are just a phone call away at \*FHP (\*347). In FDOT District Five, those calls are routed to Florida Highway Patrol dispatchers who coordinate dispatch with RTMC operators.



### Move Over—It's the Law

If you see a Road Ranger or other emergency personnel responding to an incident, or a disabled vehicle on the roadside, remember to obey Florida's Move Over law. When safe, move over a lane. If it is impossible to change lanes safely, then drivers must slow down to 20 mph below the posted speed limit.

For roadside assistance,  
call \*FHP (\*347) from your  
mobile phone.

For more information, visit  
**CFLsmartroads.com**





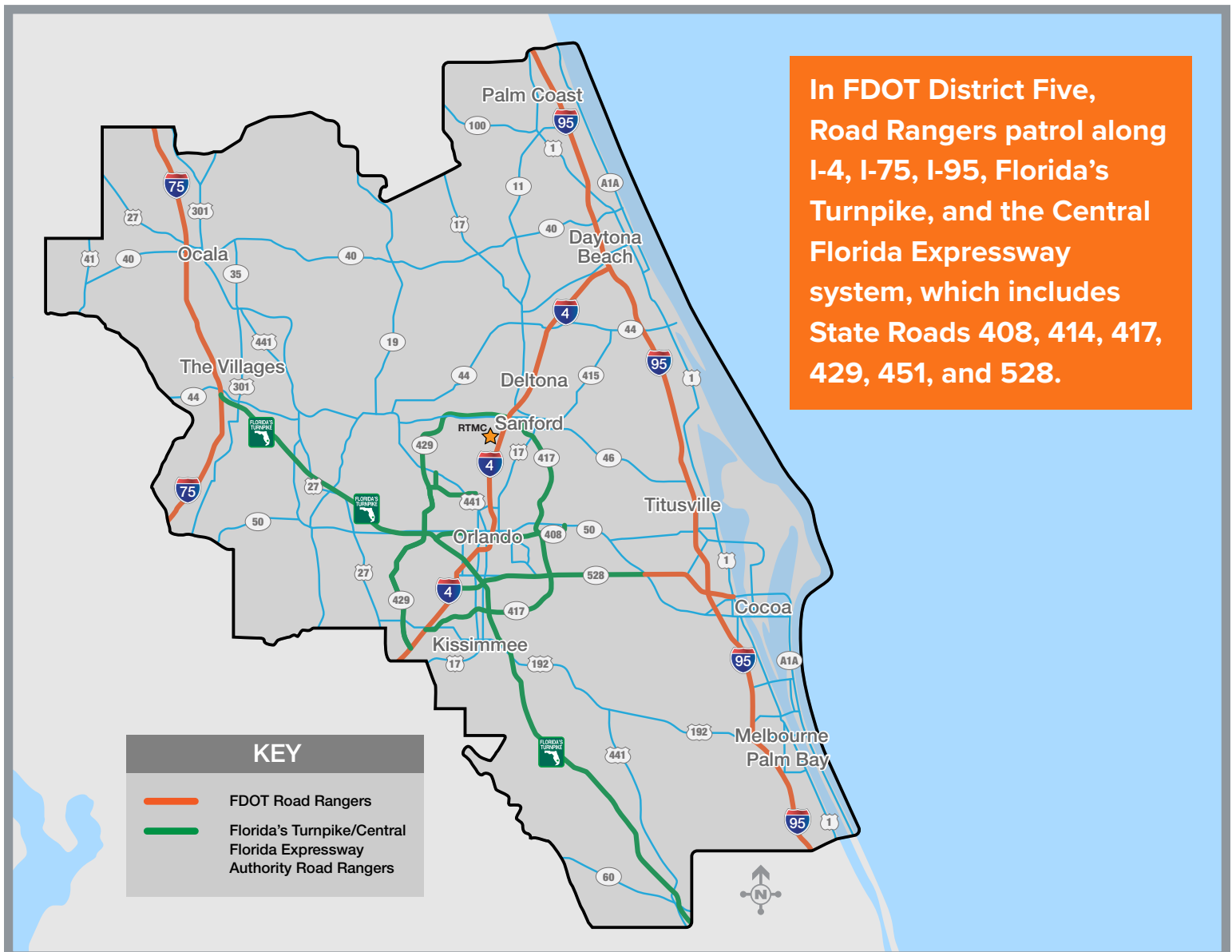
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**Dial \*FHP (\*347) on your cell phone to request Road Ranger assistance if:**

- ▶ You need roadside assistance
- ▶ You observe another stranded or disabled motorist that may need assistance
- ▶ You observe debris or other roadway hazards

In case of a medical or other emergency, call 911.



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