

Appendix C – Maintenance Contactor Vehicle Inserts and Avalanche Occurrence Report

*Must be in all maintenance contractor and sub-contractor vehicles and heavy equipment.

VEHICLE OR PERSON IN AVALANCHE

Wear **RESCUE TRANSCEIVER** in transmit mode unless directed otherwise.

DO NOT proceed into HAZARD ZONE ALONE if AVALANCHE HAZARD persists

1. HOLD WITNESSES

2. Record the Preliminary Incident Particulars:

Location of avalanche (road or highway, Avalanche Area, path number):

Date and time of the avalanche: _____

Avalanche size: _____

Any people or vehicles buried?

3. NOTIFY the Regional Transportation Management Center (RTMC) and relay the incident particulars.

Use M.O.T.I. Radio ***0**, OR phone 1-866-707-7862

4. MOVE PEOPLE AND TRAFFIC to a safe location.



5. ASSESS AVALANCHE HAZARD before taking action and activating rescue plan. An Avalanche Technician will call you.

6. USE AVALANCHE ON HIGHWAY SEARCH AND RESCUE PLAN INCIDENT RESPONSE PLAN

IF YOU ARE CAUGHT IN AN AVALANCHE

- 1. **REMAIN** in vehicle
- 2. Shut off ENGINE and HEADLIGHTS
- 3. Leave RADIO and FLASHERS ON
- 4. Call FOREMAN or RTMC Radio Room with:

Preliminary Incident Particulars:

Date and time of incident Location (path number, nearest landmark) Number of Vehicles and Persons in Incident

- 6. Ensure rescue transceiver is in **TRANSMIT** mode
- 7. DO NOT START engine or smoke
- 8. Push sectional avalanche probe up to surface and AWAIT RESCUE TEAM

WORKING IN AVALANCHE AREAS:

- Always wear a rescue transceiver in transmit mode.
- Equip vehicle with sectional avalanche probe, shovel, blanket, flashlight, this instruction sheet, and wear or carry warm clothing.
- Know the safe terrain within your avalanche areas and the hazard forecast.