



Between the Lines : Staying Safe Where Traffic Meets the Jobsite

As electrical workers, many of you spend time working alongside roads, highways, and busy intersections. While you focus on completing the job safely, it's important to remember that traffic hazards can be just as dangerous as the electrical hazards we encounter every day.

Drivers may be distracted, speeding, impaired, or simply unaware of work zones. That's why every member of the crew plays a role in maintaining a safe roadside work environment.

Roadway Safety Reminders:

- Always wear high-visibility apparel and required PPE.
- Stay alert to moving traffic and changing road conditions.
- Follow established traffic control plans and work zone procedures.
- Position vehicles and equipment to provide maximum protection for workers.
- Use spotters when backing vehicles or operating equipment near traffic.
- Never assume drivers can see you or will react appropriately.
- Maintain clear communication with your crew, especially when conditions change.

A few extra seconds spent checking your surroundings can prevent a life-changing incident. Whether you're responding to an outage, performing maintenance, or working on a construction project, roadway safety starts with awareness and teamwork.

This National Safety Month, let's recommit to protecting ourselves and each other by staying visible, staying alert, and staying safe on the roads.

The job isn't done until everyone makes it home safely – stay visible, stay alert, stay alive.