

History Of Safety Circuit Rider Program

Local agencies own and operate more than 75 percent of all public roadways in the United States and nearly 80 percent of rural roads. Of the annual fatalities on the Nation's roadways each year, more than 60 percent occur on our rural roads, which carry less than 40 percent of the total vehicle-miles traveled. In Mississippi over the last few years, approximately 285 people a year have died on locally maintained roads. To make significant progress in reducing the number of crashes and fatalities nationally, the safety on local roadways must improve. This is the primary goal of the Safety Circuit Rider (SCR) Program.

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About MDOT Safety Circuit Rider

The Mississippi Department of Transportation (MDOT) Safety Circuit Rider (SCR) Program is designed to provide local agencies with safety-related training and support to those responsible for local roadway safety. The SCR training program provides for an on-site introductory class (2 to 3 hours) free of charge for local governments in Mississippi, which teaches participants how to identify areas of concern on their roadways using crash data and visual identifiers. In addition to training, Circuit Riders are available to meet with local government representatives on-site at locations of concern to identify solutions through a variety of low-cost countermeasures.

The Safety Circuit Rider works with local governments to implement low-cost countermeasures on local roads such as clear zone improvements and the installation of new MUTCD-compliant warning signage. This program is helping communities across the state of Mississippi save lives every day. The program is made possible through funding from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), in coordination with the Mississippi LTAP Center and the Mississippi Department of Transportation (MDOT).



Objectives

Program objectives include:

- Helping participants understand how to identify road safety issues and how to address these issues;
- Fostering a "Safety" mindset at the local level;
- Presenting low-cost, practical safety solutions and
- Identifying ways to plan, fund, and implement low-cost safety countermeasures.

Low Cost Counter-Measures include

- Rumble strip/stripe
- Raised Pavement Markers
- Improved Pavement Markings
- Safety Edge on Pavement
- Signage replacement/retroreflectivity upgrades

This class is designed to be helpful and informative for everybody associated with any of the 4 E's of roadway safety – **Engineering, Enforcement, Education, and Emergency Medical Services!**

Target Audiences

- All local government (county and city) officials, including:
- Road Managers
- Public Works Directors
- Highway Superintendents
- City & County Engineers
- Road Crew Leaders
- Law Enforcement Officials

What Does the Safety Circuit Rider Program Offer

- Free on-site SCR program training
- Warning signage (curve warning, chevrons, etc) identified as needed through the program
- Opportunity for the funding of local road safety projects identified through the program
- Road Safety Audits, conducted with your Circuit Rider

Safety Circuit Rider Team

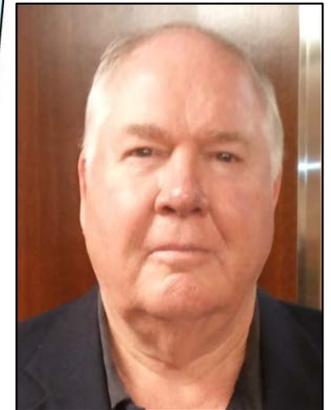
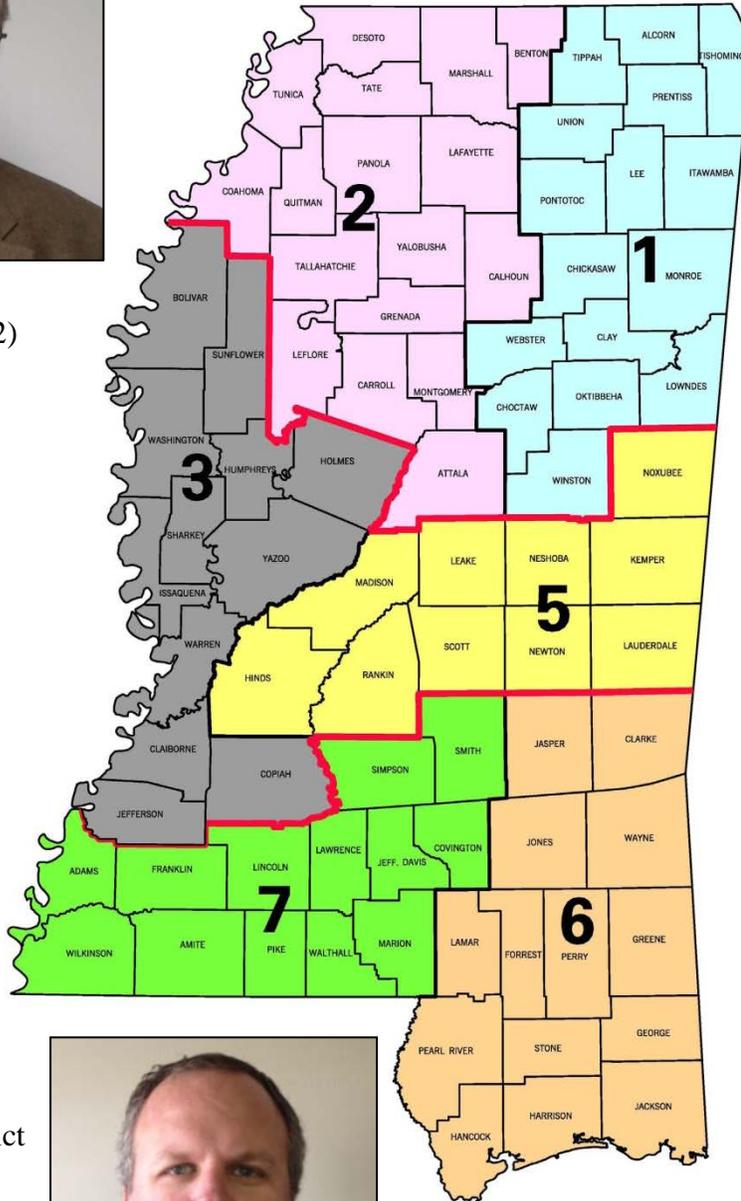
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Please see the attached map to determine which district and Circuit Rider your county falls under.

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On-site Training Course Information

Description – The Mississippi Department of Transportation (MDOT) Safety Circuit Rider (SCR) Program is designed to provide local agencies with safety-related training and support to those responsible for local roadway safety. The SCR training program provides an on-site introductory class (2 to 3 hours), free of charge, for local governments in Mississippi, which teaches participants how to identify areas of concern on their roadways using crash data and visual identifiers. In addition to training, Circuit Riders are available to meet with local government representatives on-site at locations of concern to identify solutions through a variety of low-cost countermeasures. The implementation of this program will help your jurisdiction save lives on your roadways. The SCR program is made possible through the MDOT's Traffic Engineering Division, in conjunction with the Mississippi LTAP Center.



Who Should Attend? – All local government (county or city) officials, Road Managers, Public Works Directors, Highway Superintendents, City & County Engineers, Road Crew Leaders, and Law Enforcement Officials. This class is designed to be informative for everyone associated with any of the 4 E's of roadway safety – **Engineering, Enforcement, Education, and Emergency Medical Services!**

Registration Information – MDOT Circuit Rider classes are provided on-site and **"Free of Charge"** for local government agencies. Substitutions may be made at any time. Any registrant requiring a reasonable accommodation during training (i.e., mobility or access) should contact Mississippi LTAP prior to the course date so the appropriate arrangements can be made.

How to Participate

The Safety Circuit Rider training program has been designed to deliver on-site introductory class (2 to 3 hours) free of charge for local government agencies in Mississippi. In order to schedule a workshop, the local host agency must be able to provide:

- A minimum of 5 participants who will attend (participants are encouraged to invite employees from other local agencies within their county or area). Please note: the maximum number of attendees for one class is approximately 40.
- A meeting room, with tables and chairs, that is suitable for conducting a training class with a PowerPoint presentation. It is helpful to have a projection screen or blank wall available.

For more information or to schedule a Safety Circuit Rider training course, contact the LTAP Team at (601) 359-7685, or you can request a class by going online to www.mdot.ms.gov/ltap/ and clicking on the Safety Circuit Program tab.

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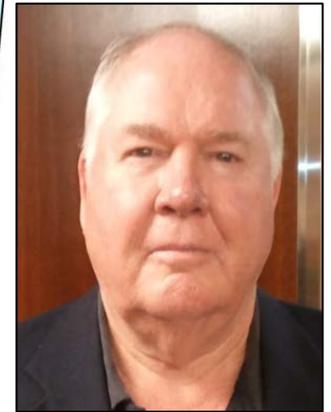
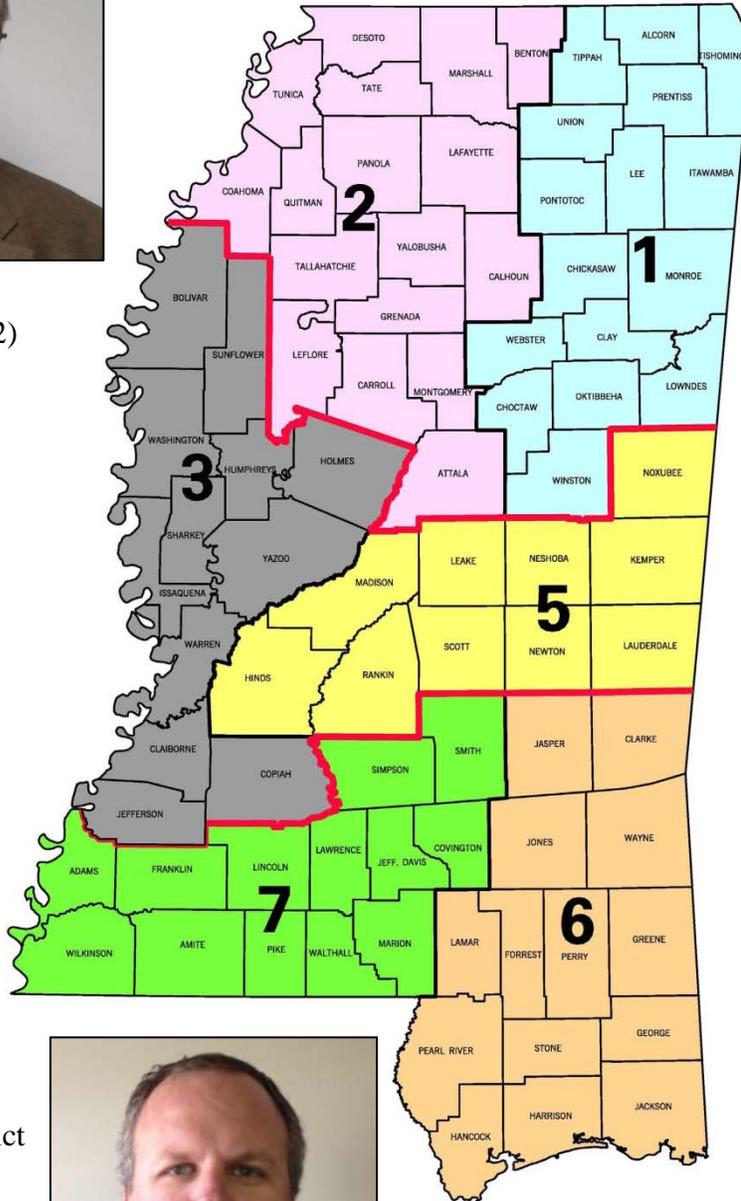
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see attached map for district breakdown

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Safety Circuit Rider Program Registration Form

Register by fax, phone or mail. (See instructions, bottom of this page). Please fill out completely.

Date: _____

AGENCY CONTACT INFO:

Agency or District Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____

Zip: _____ Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Person Completing this Form: _____ Title: _____

PERSONS YOU ARE REGISTERING TO ATTEND:

(1)Name: _____ (2)Name: _____

Position/Title: _____ Position/Title: _____

Email: _____ Email: _____

(3)Name: _____ (4)Name: _____

Position/Title: _____ Position/Title: _____

Email: _____ Email: _____

You may also fax this form to (601) 359-7652, or email: ltap@mdot.ms.gov. Contact LTAP Team at (601) 359-7685.

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