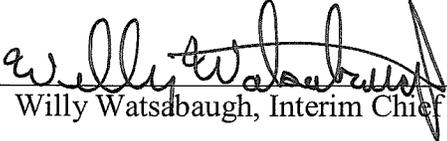




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PURPOSE

To comply with provisions from the Federal Highway Administration concerning the usage of Reflective Safety Garments

SECTION I - LIFE SAFETY VESTS

As of November 24, 2008, the Federal Highway Administration started requiring public safety officers, including volunteer firefighters and EMS personnel responding to an incident on the side of a federal aid highway, to wear a safety vest. The vests must meet the Performance Class II or III requirements of the American National Standards Institute/International Safety Equipment Association (ANSI/ISEA) 107-2004 publication.

In accordance with this provision, all members of Jackson Hole Fire/ EMS will wear the provided safety vests, not only on the side of highways, but in all public roadways and commercial parking lots. The IC will have the final determination whether or not vests are required at other scenes.

One exception to this guideline will be Firefighters directly engaged in fire suppression or whose primary function is fire protection for public/responder safety, as the vests could catch on fire and/or melt if exposed to flame. Firefighters entering, working on or around, structures for investigation, suppression, salvage, ventilation, or overhaul shall remove vests. Additionally, vests should be removed during "smell of gas" investigations and wherever the threat of flash fire exists.