Subject: Traffic Blocking
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**Purpose:**
To establish guidelines on blocking traffic.

**Policy:**
Nelson County Fire & Rescue personnel shall make every attempt to keep at least one lane of traffic moving at all times.

Traffic shall be blocked as needed for any of the following reasons:

- Under Police or VDOT Request
- Hazardous Scene (i.e. Hazmat, Downed Power Lines, Fire, etc.)
- MVC with increased traffic hazards or blocked road
- Special Request by appropriate authorized personnel

Altered traffic flow shall be marked with appropriate signage, cones, flares, etc.

At no point is it advisable to block traffic with a privately operated vehicle. Persons choosing to do so are assuming personal risk.