Delaware State Police to Mobilize for "Operation Clear Track," the Largest Rail Safety Law Enforcement Initiative during Rail Safety Week 2021

On Tuesday, September 21, 2021 during Rail Safety Week (RSW), September 20-26, Delaware State Police will join with Amtrak Police and more than **600** local, state, federal and railroad law enforcement departments for **"Operation Clear Track"** to raise awareness and enforce railroad grade crossing and trespassing laws in 48 states across the U.S. **"Operation Clear Track" is the largest single law enforcement railroad safety operation in the U.S.**

During "Operation Clear Track," agency law enforcement personnel will be stationed at targeted railroad grade crossings and other locations handing out railroad safety cards to motorists and pedestrians and issuing warnings and citations to violators. The goal of **Rail Safety Week's Operation Clear Track** is to reduce pedestrian and driver injuries and fatalities around railroad tracks through increased public awareness.

WHAT: **"Operation Clear Track"** Enforcement/Education event to be held in 48 states at railroad grade crossings and other locations.

WHEN: **Tuesday, September 21 (rain date Wednesday, September 22)**

WHERE/WHAT TIME: **River Road (SR9) in the area of the oil**

refinery (Picture #1) and Wrangle Hill Road (SR72) just west of Willamette Drive, (Picture #2) between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.



River Road



Wrangle Hill Road

WHY: Federal statistics show that **every three hours in the United States**, a person or vehicle is hit by a train. "Operation Clear Track" is an effort by Operation Lifesaver Inc., Amtrak Police and law enforcement partners across the nation to raise awareness of the need for caution near railroad tracks and trains during **Rail Safety Week**, held September 20-26, 2021, in the U.S., Canada and Mexico.

MORE INFO: Visit the Rail Safety Week landing page and Operation Lifesaver, Inc.'s website for safety tips and statistics Contact news@oli.org or MediaRelations@amtrak.com for more information on "Operation Clear Track."

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About Operation Lifesaver

Operation Lifesaver is a non-profit public safety education and awareness organization dedicated to reducing collisions, fatalities and injuries at highway-rail crossings and preventing trespassing on or near railroad tracks. A national network of trained volunteers gives free presentations on rail safety and a public awareness campaign, "See Tracks? Think Train!" provides tips and statistics to encourage safe behavior near the tracks. OLI leads an international observance of Rail Safety Week each September. Learn more about Rail Safety Week; follow OLI on **Facebook**, **Instagram**, **LinkedIn**, **Twitter** and **Pinterest**.

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