



## [April 19- 23 is National Work Zone Awareness Week](#)

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For the [11th straight year](#), three federal agencies will sponsor [National Work Zone Awareness Week](#).

*Why should we care?*

Well, according to the [Illinois Department of Transportation](#), there are around **7000** motor vehicle accidents in work zones each year throughout the state, with **2100** people injured and **29** deaths (2 being workers, most work zone fatalities are non-workers). [Indiana's Dept. of Transportation](#) has compiled similar, scary statistics.

*Sponsors are Three Federal Agencies*

Through the coordinated efforts of the [Federal Highway Administration \(FHWA\)](#), the [American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials \(AASHTO\)](#), and the [American Traffic Safety Services Association \(ATSSA\)](#), various activities will be undertaken to draw attention to the need for everyone being **safe and aware** of safety issues in all sorts of work zones.

*Theme is "Work Zones Need Your Undivided Attention"*

The theme for 2010 National Work Zone Awareness Week is "Work Zones Need Your Undivided Attention." All sorts of events are scheduled around the country during April 19-23, 2010, promoting this theme. One of the biggest will be the federal agency kickoff at Battery Park in NYC, and there are already several activities scheduled throughout the states of [Illinois](#) and [Indiana](#) throughout the Week.