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LESSON OVERVIEW

Road workers are among the most _____ people on our roads.

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KEY VOCABULARY

WORK ZONE: _____

ARKANSAS' LANE MERGE: _____

FLAGGER: _____

BUFFER ZONE: _____

ENHANCED PENALTY: _____

WORK ZONE ANATOMY & ORANGE SIGNS

Every work zone has a structure, in order:

- _____ **WARNING AREA:** orange signs begin alerting drivers well before the zone starts
- _____ **ZONE:** lane narrowing, lane shifts, tapers moving traffic away from work area
- _____ **SPACE:** an empty safety zone between traffic and active workers — no parking or stopping
- _____ **AREA:** where workers and equipment are active; flaggers may control traffic here
- _____ **ZONE:** the end of the work zone; traffic returns to normal configuration

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MERGING

- Arkansas work zones use a _____ that guides vehicles through a series of lane changes
- The technique is designed to: reduce speeds entering work zones, create more consistent driver expectations, increase _____ between traffic and workers, and improve safety at merge points

FLAGGER AUTHORITY

- Flaggers have the same legal authority as a _____; failure to comply is a violation
- When a flagger signals stop, you stop — treating it as a suggestion can result in a _____ and a _____

ARKANSAS LAW & CIVIC RESPONSIBILITY

- Enhanced penalties: fines _____ for all moving violations in active Arkansas work zones
- Move Over Law connection: _____ workers on the shoulder are also protected
- Civic framing: the slow zone is _____; the improved road benefits your entire community for decades

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KEY TAKEAWAYS

- Know the five zones: Advance Warning, _____, Buffer, Work Area, _____
- Work zone merge shifts vehicles through a series of controlled lane changes to _____ traffic and reduce crashes
- Flaggers have the same authority as a _____ — full stop, no exceptions
- Arkansas _____ all work zone fines

REFLECTION

Is construction traffic a safety issue, a community issue or both — and why does that distinction matter?
