

Expansion of MDOT's Freeway Courtesy Patrol

What Is It?

This winter, the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) will expand the use of the Freeway Courtesy Patrol (FCP) on select freeways in Livingston and Washtenaw counties, including US-23, I-96, I-94 and M-14. The FCP program is part of MDOT's larger freeway incident management system that is designed to improve motorist safety and reduce travel times.

How Does the FCP Program Work?

FCP drivers are notified of motorists needing assistance in several ways. MDOT staff monitors traffic cameras on freeways, while local law enforcement observes stranded motorists and calls into the local dispatch. FCP drivers also make regular patrols in their designated areas looking for motorists needing help.

Assistance by FCP drivers includes:

- servicing disabled vehicles by providing fuel, oil, and other system fluids;
- clearing stranded vehicles and debris from driving lanes;
- changing or inflating tires;
- making minor mechanical repairs;
- securing the area around your vehicle;
- removing disabled vehicles;
- providing cell phone assistance;
- transporting stranded motorists; and
- providing directions.

FCP service is free and drivers are not allowed to accept any compensation for their assistance.

Where Will It Be Used?

The FCP will assist motorists traveling on the following freeways around Brighton and Ann Arbor:

