

# Chase COP Duties

## **Vehicle Readiness**

- Daily checklist.
- Fueled.
- Completely inventoried and stocked for next mission.

## **Prior to Departure**

- Assist 1st load with prompt departure.
- Obtain resource order from dispatch or manager.
- Share cell #'s with dispatch, manager, and fuel truck.
- Obtain directions / maps / radio frequencies / ground contact / receiving dispatch phone numbers.
- Share info / directions with fuel truck driver / mechanic.
- Get "load on departure" items prior to leaving base:
  - 1st load and spotter red bags are on truck.
  - Aircraft / Manager paperwork.
- Secure base and lock the gate on the way out.
- Tell dispatch how many HRAPS are chasing.

## **Rules of the road**

- All chase vehicles stay together.
- Keep track of the fuel truck / Mechanic
- DON'T SPEED - Reckless driving will not be tolerated.
- Drivers must pull over to use the cell phone.
- Always use a backer.
- Keep vehicles clean – no exceptions.
- Report any vehicle damage to management.

## **Follow the Work/Rest Guidelines**

- Stop and rest or swap drivers every 2 hours.
- Single driver - no more than 10 hours of operation.
- Multiple drivers - No more than 16 hours of operation.

## **Checking In**

- Prior to departure: Local dispatch / Helicopter Manager.
- Check in at each fuel stop with receiving dispatch or Helicopter Manager. If out of region, check in with NICC (800) 494-6312.
- Call receiving dispatch / home unit once you arrive.