ENSC Field Safety Plan working group recommendations

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Field Safety Plan

- Use EH&S template
- Regular check-in recommended
- Submission for types of field work (instead of individual field operations/trips)

Approval process for the Field Safety Plan

- Keep the approval at low level (within department)
- Flexile submission deadline (review on a rolling basis)

Registration of field trips

In case of accidents and incidents, register field trips in UC Away (https://ehs.ucop.edu/away) for field work conducted away from campus (to ensure travel insurance coverage)

Field trip transportation

- Use UCR Fleet Services if possible
- Order vehicle magnets with <u>UCR logo</u> (involve Fleet or Graphic Services?) in case personal vehicles will be used (https://www.vistaprint.com/signs-posters/car-door-magnets?couponAutoload=1&GP=10%2f06%2f2020+18%3a50%3a42&GPS=5789455610&GNF=0)

Buddy system

- A buddy system within the research group is recommended whenever possible. If not available within the same research group, in-house buddies that recruit volunteers from ENSC students or from other departments that do lots of field work (e.g., EEOB, BPS, MPP, etc.) could be considered to help make sure that those buddies are trustworthy and well trained.
- For on-campus activities, campus safety escort service is available Sunday-Thursday anytime until 11:30 pm. (https://wrc.ucr.edu/programs/campus-safety-escort-service).

Training

- Available UC-wide field safety training resources for students
 - Fieldwork Toolkit Webinar Series (https://training.ucr.edu/fieldwork)
 - Field Research Safety Center of Excellence (https://www.ucop.edu/safety-and-loss-prevention/environmental/program-resources/field-research-safety/index.html)
- In-house field safety workshop/discussion to provide training on incident response (annual; in consultation with EH&S)