

Design Standards Letter

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Subject: Access Control at Diamond Interchanges

Body

Attached hereto, is a copy of the new policy covering access control at diamond interchanges.

This new policy will better serve both the department and the general public through control of access in the vicinity of diamond interchanges.

This new policy will be implemented upon receipt as follows:

1. Used on all new projects.
2. Projects which are currently under design will be revised with redesign considered if right-of-way plans are not approved or if properties have not been acquired and project consistency can still be maintained.
3. The procedures to be followed on existing facilities with access control greater than required by the new policy are listed below.
 - (a) Design personnel will review all existing diamond interchanges and provide the Right-of-Way Division with plans showing the extent of limited access and where entrances could now be permitted.
 - (b) Right-of-way personnel will identify owners name and tax billing address from assessors records. A form letter will be developed and sent to these owners with a copy of the plans explaining the new policy and that additional entrances could be granted. Since we have a property right, these owners will also be advised they should apply for a permit if a change in access

is desired. Change in access will be appraised and upon payment a permit will be granted to construct an entrance and a deed furnished for the change in access.

(c) For locations where recent requests for entrance additions have been refused, Maintenance and Traffic personnel will recontact the property owner and developer at the same time and advise them of the change in policy and conditions under which additional entrances can be granted.

The necessary changes in the respective manuals concerning access control will be made at a later date.

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Attachment