



COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

LAND USE AGENDA ITEM

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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DATE: September 12, 2001

TO: Board of Supervisors

SUBJECT: TRAFFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS (Districts: All)

SUMMARY:

Overview

The Traffic Advisory Committee meets every six weeks to review proposed changes or additions to regulatory traffic controls. Thirty-three items were on the Committee's June 29, 2001, meeting agenda. The Committee recommends your action on 23 items, as six items (2A, 2B1, 2B2, 2F, 2G and 2K) were continued prior to the meeting at the request of the Lakeside Community Planning Group; three items (2M4, 2M5, and 2M6) were continued by the requester; and one item (2H) was continued by staff. All 23 items are recommended for adoption.

This item also includes a recommendation to approve updated Traffic Guidelines approved by the Traffic Advisory Committee.

On July 18, 2001 (4, 2-J), the Board considered a proposal for a 7-ton weight limitation on Wildcat Canyon Road between Willow Road and San Vicente Road. The Board continued the item to allow input from the Ramona Community Planning Group. This letter includes a recommendation to impose the weight limitation as originally proposed.

Recommendation(s)

TRAFFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Consider and file report including the following recommendations:

District 1

- 1-A1. Otay Mesa Road, north side, from the San Diego County Limit easterly 340 feet, OTAY-Establish a parking prohibition.
- 1-A2. Harvest Road, both sides, from Otay Mesa Road (City of San Diego street) northerly 2,700 feet, OTAY-Establish a parking prohibition.
- 1-A3. Lone Star Road (future street), both sides, from a point 1,520 feet east of Harvest Road easterly 1,780 feet, OTAY-Establish a parking prohibition.

District 2

- 2-A. This item was continued prior to meeting at the request of Lakeside

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Community Planning Group.

- 2-B1. This item was continued prior to meeting at the request of Lakeside Community Planning Group.
- 2-B2. This item was continued prior to meeting at the request of Lakeside Community Planning Group.
- 2-C. Jamacha Boulevard between La Presa Avenue and a point 1000 feet east of Omega Street, SPRING VALLEY-Extend existing radar certification for an additional three years as existing conditions have not changed over the last seven years as certified by a civil engineer.
- 2-D. Campo Road from Rogers Road easterly to a point 420 feet east of South Granada Avenue, CASA DE ORO-Direct existing 35 MPH speed limit be certified for radar speed enforcement.
- 2-E. Montecito Road from a point 800 feet east of Alice Street westerly to the End, RAMONA-Amend the existing 45 MPH speed limit zone to 40 MPH from a point 800 feet east of Alice Street westerly to a point 300 feet west of Davis Street. Direct the proposed 40 MPH speed zone be certified for radar enforcement.
- 2-F. This item was continued prior to meeting at the request of Lakeside Community Planning Group.
- 2-G. This item was continued prior to meeting at the request of Lakeside Community Planning Group.
- 2-H. This item was continued prior to meeting by staff.
- 2-I. Tavern Road and Alpine Boulevard, ALPINE-Do not place on County's Traffic Signal Priority List.
- 2-J. Willow Road from Viejas Grade easterly to the I-8 Ramps, ALPINE-Amend the existing 50 MPH speed limit on Willows Road to exclude the frontage of the Viejas Indian Reservation business center (between the west and east entrances to the Viejas Casino and Outlet Center). Post the 25 MPH Business District along the business center frontage.
- 2-K. This item was continued prior to meeting at the request of Lakeside Community Planning Group.
- 2-L. Keyes Road and Steffy Road, RAMONA- Continue request for an all-way stop control to the August 10th Traffic Advisory Committee meeting.
- 2-M1. Fourteenth Street, west side, from the north line of Main Street (SR-67) northerly 100 feet, RAMONA-Establish a parking prohibition to allow unobstructed right-turn movements.
- 2-M2. Baba Street and Gymkhana Street, RAMONA-Establish a stop control for northbound traffic on Baba Street (condition placed upon a developer's project).
- 2-M3. Day Street, west side, from a point 330 feet north of the north line of Main

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Street (SR-67) northerly 100 feet, RAMONA-Establish a bus loading zone for a new North County Transit District bus route.

- 2-M4. This item was continued prior to meeting by the requester.
- 2-M5. This item was continued prior to meeting by the requester.
- 2-M6. This item was continued prior to meeting by the requester.
- 2-M7. Sweetwater Springs Boulevard, east side, from the south line of Jamacha Boulevard southerly 270 feet (to the north line of Willie Baker Way, a future street), SPRING VALLEY-Establish a parking prohibition (condition placed upon a developer's project for a future bike lane).
- 2-M8. El Monte Road, north side, from a point 2,600 feet east of the east line of Lake Jennings Park Road easterly 6,570 feet, LAKESIDE-Establish a parking prohibition (condition placed upon a developer's project for a future bike lane).

District 5

- 5-A. Summit Drive and Old San Pasqual Road, ESCONDIDO-Establish a: (1) stop control for westbound traffic on Old San Pasqual Road and (2) yield control for eastbound traffic (continuing through the intersection) on Old San Pasqual Road.
- 5-B. Stage Coach Lane and Fallbrook Street, FALLBROOK-Place on County's Traffic Signal Priority List.
- 5-C. Stage Coach Lane and Reche Road, FALLBROOK-Place on County's Traffic Signal Priority List.
- 5-D. Pauma Reservation Road from SR-76 northerly to the End of County-maintained roadway, PAUMA-Establish a 45 MPH speed limit. Direct the proposed 45 MPH speed zone be certified for radar enforcement.
- 5-E. Osborne Street from East Vista Way westerly to the Vista City Limit, VISTA-Lower the existing 40 MPH speed limit to 35 MPH. Direct the proposed 35 MPH speed zone be certified for radar enforcement.
- 5-F. Osborne Street from East Vista Way westerly to the Vista City Limit, VISTA-Continue request for a 7-ton weight limitation to the August 10th Traffic Advisory Committee meeting.
- 5-G1. Oleander Avenue between Vista City Limit (near Juniper Lane) and San Marcos City Limit (near Poinsettia Avenue, VISTA-Establish a 35 MPH speed limit consistent with the 35 MPH speed zone in the City of Vista.
- 5-G2. Mimosa Avenue and Oleander Avenue, VISTA-Establish a stop control for southbound traffic on Mimosa Avenue for record-keeping purposes.

Countywide

- 6-A. Approve revised Traffic Guidelines.

Recommendations

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

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1. Find pursuant to Section 15301 (c) of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines the following actions are exempt from environmental review since they are part of operation of existing streets.
2. Concur with Traffic Advisory Committee's recommendations.
3. Wildcat Canyon Road between Willow Road and San Vicente Road, LAKESIDE-Establish a 7-Ton weight limitation. Designate State Route 67 and Tenth Street/San Vicente Road as unrestricted alternate route for heavy commercial vehicles. (Continued item 2-J from July 18, 2001 (4)).
4. Adopt, amend and/or delete the following Resolutions and Ordinances.
No. 300 (Item 2-M3)
No. 301 (1-A1, 1-A2, 1-A3, 2-M1, 2-M7 and 2-M8)
No. 304 (Items 2-M2, 5-A and 5-G2)
No. 306 (Item 5-A)
5. Approve the introduction of the Ordinances, (first reading), read title and waive further reading of the Ordinances (Items 2-E1, 2-J, 5-D, 5-E, 5-G1, and July 18, 2001 (4) Item 2J).

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 72.161.13.1. OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY CODE RELATING TO TRAFFIC REGULATIONS IN THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 72.169.95.4. OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY CODE RELATING TO TRAFFIC REGULATIONS IN THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

AN ORDINANCE ADDING SECTION 72.161.23.1. TO THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY CODE RELATING TO TRAFFIC REGULATIONS IN THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 72.179.6. OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY CODE RELATING TO TRAFFIC REGULATIONS IN THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 72.161.66. OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY CODE RELATING TO TRAFFIC REGULATIONS IN THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

AN ORDINANCE ADDING SECTION 72.161.66.2. TO THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY CODE RELATING TO TRAFFIC REGULATIONS IN THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

AN ORDINANCE ADDING SECTION 72.243.27.7. TO THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY CODE RELATING TO TRAFFIC REGULATIONS IN THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO (July 18, 2001 (4) Item 2-J)

Submit the Ordinances for further Board consideration and adoption (second reading), on September 26, 2001.

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Fiscal Impact

Funds for this proposal are budgeted in the Department of Public Works Road Fund.

Business Impact Statement

N/A

Advisory Board Statement

On March 29, 2001, the Lakeside Community Planning Group took formal action to support the establishment of a 7-ton weight limitation on Wildcat Canyon Road from Willow Road to San Vicente Road. On August 2, 2001, the Ramona Community Planning Group took formal action to oppose the proposed 7-ton weight limitation (July 18, 2001 (4) Item 2-J).

BACKGROUND:

The Traffic Advisory Committee (TAC) is composed of representatives from nine different agencies and two members at-large appointed by the Board of Supervisors, one residing in District 2, and the other residing in District 3 or 5. Represented agencies include: Automobile Club of Southern California, California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), California Highway Patrol (four area offices), Insurance Brokers and Agents of San Diego, Pacific Safety Council, County Office of Education, San Diego Bicycle Coalition, County Department of Public Works, and the Sheriff's Department.

The Committee reviews requests received from the public, other agencies, and various County departments concerning regulatory controls on roads maintained by the County of San Diego. The Committee then forwards their recommendation on each item to the Board of Supervisors for final action.

Included in this letter to the Board of Supervisors are five attachments. The first attachment consists of the Committee's recommendations and a summary describing the rationale for each recommendation. The second attachment is a copy of the Committee's report that includes: name of the requester, reason for request, a description of existing road conditions, traffic and collision data, the Committee's recommendation, detailed discussion, and necessary Board action. The third attachment consists of County Resolutions and Ordinances required to implement recommendations submitted by the Traffic Advisory Committee and Chief Administrative Officer. The fourth attachment consists of copies of recommended actions from the Lakeside Community Planning Group and Ramona Community Planning Group regarding Item 2-J (May 18, 2001 TAC Agenda). The fifth attachment consists of copies of the revised Traffic Guidelines.

Traffic Guidelines

The County's Traffic Guidelines serve as an aid to the Traffic Advisory Committee and County traffic engineers in addressing various traffic conditions, and are used in conjunction with engineering knowledge, experience, and judgement. Guidelines are necessary to convey uniform messages and implement realistic, enforceable traffic regulations. The Traffic Advisory Committee has updated the Guidelines to reflect current California Code, and to re-format them

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for ease of reading. The TAC approved the Guidelines at its June 29, 2001, meeting. It is item 6-A in the TAC recommendations. The Board is requested to approve these Traffic Guidelines.

Weight Limitation

On July 18, 2001 (4), the Board continued the proposed 7-ton weight limitation (TAC Item 2-J) on Wildcat Canyon Road from Willow Road to San Vicente Road to allow input from the Ramona Community Planning Group. The Ramona Community Planning Group had not provided input to the Traffic Advisory Committee regarding this issue. The Committee's recommendation proposing the weight limit was consistent with the Lakeside Community Planning Group. Since the Board's continuation, on August 2, 2001, the Ramona Community Planning Group took formal action to oppose the proposed 7-ton weight limitation. The letters from Lakeside and Ramona Community Planning Groups, as well as the TAC report on this item, are included as Attachment D.

Committee Report

The Committee noted that Wildcat Canyon Road is a rural two-lane roadway with many horizontal and vertical curves and steep grades that tend to make heavy commercial vehicles slower than the prevailing speeds of most other motorists. Unfortunately, when this situation exists, motorists become impatient and attempt to illegally pass these slower moving vehicles. When this type of activity occurs, the motorists making the illegal passing maneuver often jeopardize their safety and the safety of others. The volume of overall daily traffic on Wildcat Canyon Road is greater than expected for similar types of two-lane rural roadways in the County, although the volume of heavy commercial trucks using Wildcat Canyon Road as a thoroughfare is low. The Committee believes it would be more desirable for heavy commercial trucks to travel on State Route 67 and 10th Street/San Vicente Road, which do not have the combination of horizontal and vertical curves with a steep grade. The Committee recommended a 7-ton weight limit to reduce the potential conflict between faster traveling vehicles and slower moving commercial trucks. This limitation will not apply to trucks with origination or destination points along Wildcat Canyon Road.

Chief Administrative Officer Reasons for Recommendation

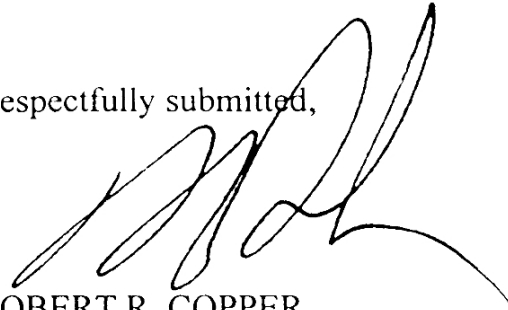
Because of the steep grades, combined with horizontal and vertical curves, Wildcat Canyon Road is not a desirable truck route. Most trucks already use State Route 67 to travel between Ramona and Lakeside. While a weight limit may increase truck traffic levels along the alternative route, the potential to limit illegal passing on the steeply graded areas of Wildcat Canyon Road is a desirable operational enhancement, as noted by the TAC. Wildcat Canyon Road is scheduled for road improvements within the next few years. Once these improvements are in place, the 7-ton weight limitation will be revisited and removed, if appropriate. Therefore, the Chief Administrative Officer's recommendation is to concur with the original recommendation of the TAC.

Environmental Statement

These regulatory traffic control items are minor alterations to operations of existing streets and therefore exempt under Section 15301 (c) of CEQA Guidelines.

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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R. Copper', written in a cursive style.

ROBERT R. COPPER
Deputy Chief Administrative Officer

ATTACHMENTS

- A. Summary
- B. Committee Report
- C. Resolutions and Ordinances
- D. Letters of Formal Actions from Lakeside and Ramona Community Planning Groups
- E. Revised Traffic Guidelines
- E. Notice of Exemption

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AGENDA ITEM INFORMATION SHEET

CONCURRENCE(S)

COUNTY COUNSEL REVIEW	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	
Written disclosure per County Charter §1000.1 required?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
GROUP/AGENCY FINANCE DIRECTOR	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A
CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A
Requires Four Votes	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
GROUP/AGENCY INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DIRECTOR	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A
CHIEF TECHNOLOGY OFFICER	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A

Other Concurrence(s): N/A

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PREVIOUS RELEVANT BOARD ACTIONS:

July 18, 2001 (4) Continued a) radar certification on Montecito Road from a point 800 feet east of the east line of Alice Street westerly to End, b) intersection review at Summit Drive and Old San Pasqual Road and c) adoption of the revised Traffic Guidelines. They are Items 2-E, 5-A and 6-A on this TAC agenda. Continued proposed 7-ton weight limitation on Wildcat Canyon Road from Willows Road to San Vicente Road to allow input from the Ramona Community Planning Group.

BOARD POLICIES APPLICABLE:

N/A

BOARD POLICY STATEMENTS:

N/A

CONTRACT NUMBER(S):

N/A