

National Committee on Uniform Traffic Control Devices

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ATTACHMENT NO. 5

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NCUTCD Proposal for Changes to the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices

TECHNICAL COMMITTEE: GMI Committee

ITEM NUMBER: XX

TOPIC: Sight Roadways Open to Public Travel (SROPT)

ORIGIN OF REQUEST: Edit Committee

AFFECTED SECTIONS 2M

OF MUTCD:

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DEVELOPMENT HISTORY:

Approved by Technical Committee: 1/7/2016
Approved by NCUTCD Council: 1/8/2016

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This is a proposal for recommended changes to the MUTCD that have been developed by a technical committee of the NCUTCD. The NCUTCD is distributing it to its sponsoring organizations for review and comment. Sponsor comments will be considered in revising the proposal prior to NCUTCD Council consideration. This proposal does not represent a revision of the MUTCD and does not constitute official MUTCD standards, guidance, or options. If approved by the NCUTCD Council, the recommended changes will be submitted to FHWA for consideration for inclusion in a future MUTCD revision. The MUTCD can be revised only through the federal rulemaking process.

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SUMMARY:

The proposed change, approved by Council, were part of the Edit Committee Ballot 15A.EC.01 which had gone to sponsors for SROPT. GMI Technical Committee reviewed the comments pertaining to the portion of this ballot GMI was responsible for and made changes based on the comments received. The language show in this ballot represents section 2M, GMI recommended no change, it was presented to Council and approved.

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DISCUSSION

Incorporating language into each appropriate section of the MUTCD to include guidance for SROPT was taken as the direction instead of attempting to generate a completely new section for SROPT in the manual.

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RECOMMENDED MUTCD CHANGES

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- 38 The following present the proposed changes to the current MUTCD within the context of the
- 39 current MUTCD language. Proposed additions to the MUTCD are shown in <u>blue underline</u> and
- 40 proposed deletions from the MUTCD are shown in red strikethrough. Changes previously
- approved by NCUTCD Council (but not yet adopted by FHWA) are shown in green double
- 42 <u>underline</u> for additions and green double strikethrough for deletions. In some cases, background
- comments may be provided with the MUTCD text. These comments are indicated by
- [highlighted light blue in brackets].

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Chapter 2M. Recreational and Cultural Interest Area Signs

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Section 2M.02 Application of Recreational and Cultural Interest Area Signs

- 49 Option:
- Recreational and cultural interest area guide signs may be used on any road to direct
- 51 persons to facilities, structures, and places, and to identify various services available to the
- 52 general
- 53 public. These guide signs may also be used in recreational or cultural interest areas and on
- 54 <u>site roadways open to public travel</u> for signing non-vehicular events and amenities such as
- 55 trails, structures, and facilities.

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Section 2M.05 Symbol Sign Sizes

- 58 Guidance:
- 59 01 Recreational and cultural interest area symbol signs should be 24×24 inches. Where
- 60 greater visibility or emphasis is needed, larger sizes should be used. Symbol sign
- 61 enlargements
- 62 should be in 6-inch increments.
- 63 02 Recreational and cultural interest area symbol signs should be 30×30 inches when used
- on guide signs on freeways or expressways.
- 65 Option:
- 66 03 A smaller size of 18×18 inches may be used on low-speed, low-volume roadways, on
- 67 <u>site roadways open to public travel with operating speeds less than 25 mph, and on non-road</u>
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