

NAMING OF HIGHWAY SAFETY REST AREAS

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RECOMMENDED PRACTICES

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General

Historically, highway safety rest areas have been referred to by nearby municipal or geographic name. Generally highway safety rest areas that have been named applied to the Class I and Class II rest area types.

Class I rest areas are those that are recommended on the existing and proposed freeway system. Class I rest areas vary in size and services provided, but generally have flush toilets, water and sewer systems, dump stations, picnic areas, waste receptacles, pet exercise areas, telephone, lighting and landscaping, and surfaced parking for cars, recreational vehicles and trucks.

Class II rest areas are usually located along two-lane arterial highways and have toilets, picnic facilities, waste receptacles and surfaced or unsurfaced parking for cars and recreational vehicles. These areas may also include telephone, lighting, well or cistern, and bulletin boards. Class II rest areas are generally accessible only to cars and recreational vehicles. They are usually located along two-lane highways with lower traffic volumes and generally are accessible from both directions of travel.

This guideline formalizes the practice of naming highway safety rest areas so that signage can be applied to the roadside toilet building that may exist at the rest area site. This guideline does not apply to the smaller Class III highway roadside turnouts as roadside toilet facility generally does not exist at turnouts.

Guidelines for Use

Naming of existing and proposed safety rest areas shall follow a nearby municipal name and primarily those names that are already on the Alberta Municipal listing:

http://municipalaffairs.gov.ab.ca/cfml/officials/2013-CommRural.pdf

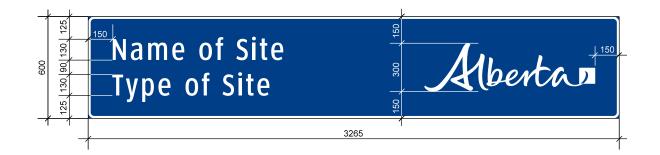
or secondarily by those geographic names that are approved by the Geographical Names Board of Canada:

http://www.nrcan.gc.ca/earth-sciences/geography/place-names/9170

Dual naming of highway safety rest area is not permitted. If an existing highway safety rest area already has a name designated or referred to over the years, that name can remain as being the name of the facility through grandfathering for the purpose of applying of signage to the roadside toilet building.

References to Standards

Highway Guide and	TCS-A4-600, Typical
Information Sign	Name Plate on Roadside
Manual	Toilet Building



SIGN DETAILS

LETTERS: 130 mm ClearviewHwy 3-W or 2-W font

Alberta Logo - 300 mm

BORDER: 15 mm

COLOUR: Message - White

Background - Blue Border - White

SUBSTRATE: 3265 x 600 aluminum plate

SIGN FACE: ASTM D4956 Type III High Intensity Retro - Reflective Sheeting

NAME OF SITE: e.g., Nojack

TYPE OF SITE: e.g., Rest Area, Staging Area, Inspection Station etc.

NOTE: ALL DIMENSIONS SHOWN ARE IN MILLIMETRES



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