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RECOMMENDED PRACTICES

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Sanctuary sign program.

General

Sanctuaries are intended to provide secure habitat for wildlife and thus allow populations to either increase or remain at desired levels. They include areas of high quality habitat, often where populations of wildlife species have some been significantly lowered or dispersed because of disturbance at some time in the past. Sanctuary status allows these areas to realize their potential to support wildlife and to act as core areas of production for animals that will disperse to surrounding areas. It also increases the opportunities for Albertans to view wildlife.

In accordance with Section 39 of the Alberta Wildlife Act,

Notwithstanding any other law, a person shall not hunt in a wildlife sanctuary unless that hunting is specifically authorized by or under the regulations.

In accordance with Schedule 11, Part 5: Corridor Wildlife Sanctuaries of the Wildlife Regulation, it is unlawful to hunt within 365 m (400 yards) of the centre-line of the road in a designated road corridor wildlife sanctuary (a corridor 730 m or 800 yards wide). Road corridor wildlife sanctuaries are listed in Schedule 11, Part 5.

A listing and description of Road Corridor Wildlife Sanctuaries in Alberta is also published in the current Alberta Guide to Hunting Regulations, along with a map showing the locations.

Identifying the start of road corridor wildlife sanctuaries with signage serves to inform motorists that they are entering a wildlife sanctuary. *Eligibility*

Alberta Sustainable Resource Development (Land Division) is the initiator of the Wildlife

Alberta Sustainable Resource Development will need to apply for a permit from Alberta Transportation in order to place Wildlife Sanctuary signs along the highway. A letter and/or sign permit application, together with the proposed sign specification(s) and location(s), must be sent to one of Alberta Transportation's district offices.

A listing of Alberta Transportation district offices and an example of the required sign permit application form are provided at the following link:

http://www.transportation.alberta.ca/Content /docType329/Production/distaddress.pdf

After approving the application, the Alberta Transportation representative will issue a permit allowing the installation of Wildlife Sanctuary signs within the highway right-ofway.

Standard

The Wildlife Sanctuary sign has one panel of variable size indicating the sanctuary name and designating it as a wildlife sanctuary. The sign should have black lettering on a white background. A distance tab is mounted directly below the Wildlife Sanctuary sign to indicate the length of highway contained within the wildlife sanctuary. Government of Alberta

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Drawing TCS-A4-555.6 shows the typical sign layout and dimensions of Wildlife Sanctuary signs.

Guidelines for Placement

Wildlife Sanctuary signs may be placed within the highway right-of-way at all highway entrances into designated (in Schedule 11, Part 5 of the Wildlife Regulation) wildlife sanctuaries. Placement should be in accordance with the Recommended Practices Placement of Signs guideline.

If the wildlife sanctuary boundary changes, the sign owner is responsible for all costs associated with relocating the sign to the new boundary.

Installation and Maintenance

The applicant is responsible for all costs associated with the fabrication and installation of Wildlife Sanctuary signs. The requirements for fabricating, installing and maintaining the signs are outlined in the Recommended Practices guideline entitled General Provisions for Installing Private Signs within the Highway Right-of-Way. Alberta Transportation will provide routine maintenance of Wildlife Sanctuary signs, including washing, straightening and occasional knockdowns.

At the end of the sign service life, the sign owner (the applicant) is responsible for the cost of supplying replacement signs.

References to Standards

Recommended Practices Section: General	Placement of Signs
Recommended Practices Section: General	General Provisions for Installing Private Signs Within the Highway Right-of-Way



SIGN DETAILS

LETTER SIZE:	Series EM font, longer names may use C or D highway font								
BORDER:	19 mm edge								
COLOUR:	Black lettering and black border on a white background								
SUBTRATE:			ensity Plywood, or n Flat Aluminum						
SIGN FACE:	ACE: High Intensity reflective materi Type III or IV								
PLACEMENT: In highway right-of-way at boundary, inbound direction only									
SUPPORTS:	TS: 100 mm x 100 mm Pressure Treated Wood Post or Approved Steel Post.								
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