



COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO
DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC WORKS

Road Closures

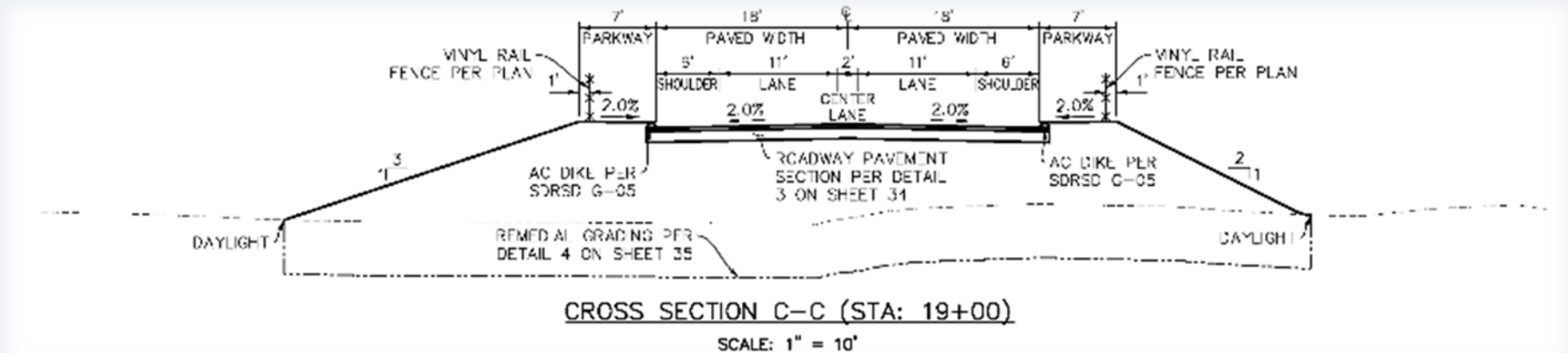
Case Studies, Best Practices, and Improvements

Camino del Rey – Key Issues



Camino del Rey – Lessons Learned

- Permanent flip signs installed
- Documentation
- Permanent improvements



Purpose



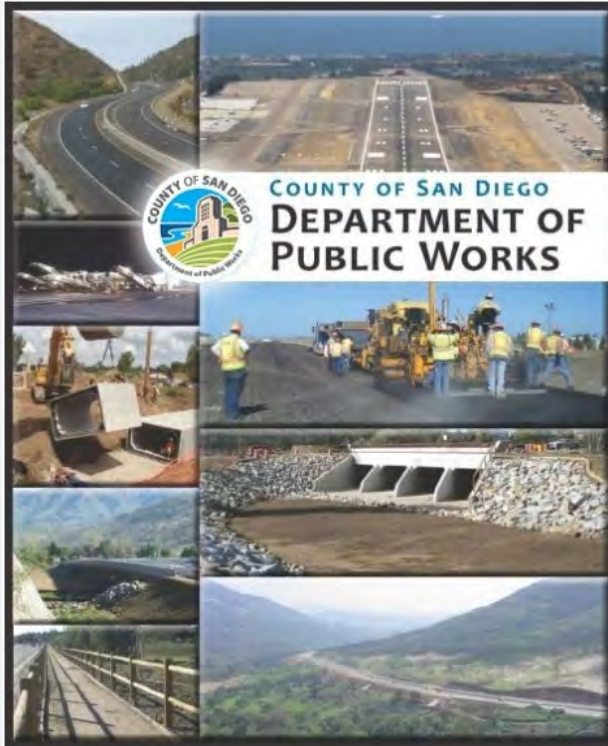
County of San Diego

Biologically Diverse

Socially Diverse



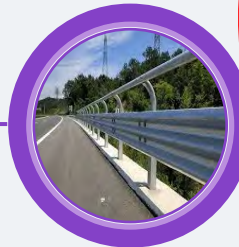
Department of Public Works, Transportation



Culverts
≈19,000



Guardrails
56 miles



Centerline Miles
1,956.30

Traffic Signs
39,000+



Bridges
208

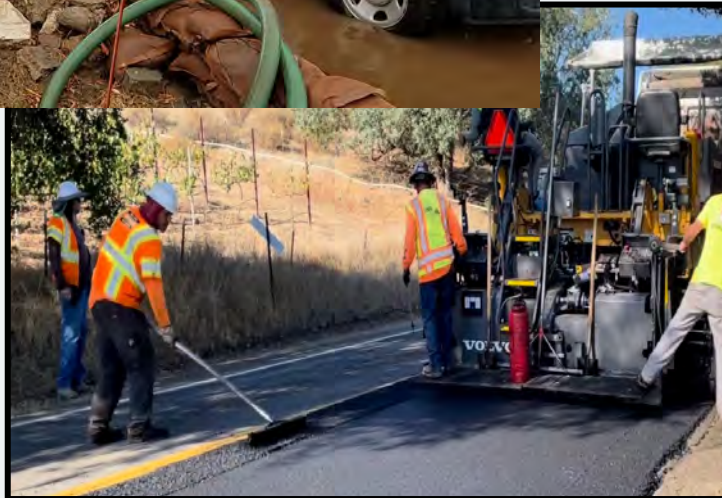


Traffic Signals
223



Road Crew Structure

- 21 Crews distributed across 107 communities



Categories of Closures

- Planned
- Emergency
- Permanent



2022: One Battle After Another – Filming Encroachment Permit

Special Events



Emergency Response



Feb 20, 2026 at 7:29:32 AM
10385-10399 Sunrise Hwy
Mount Laguna CA 91916
United States

Hazard Responses

- Landslides, rock fall, tree fall
- Sinkholes from storm drain or waterline failures
- Crash closures coordinated with CHP/Sheriff



Escalation of Treatment



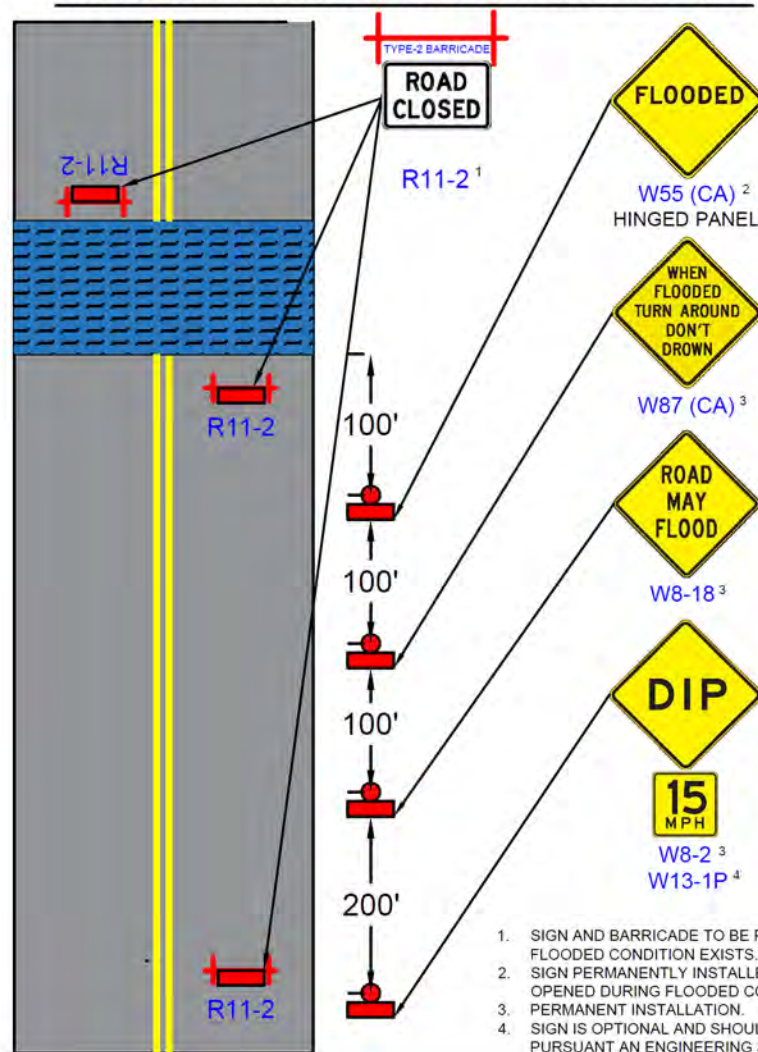
Criminal Activity Closures



Standardization of Signing



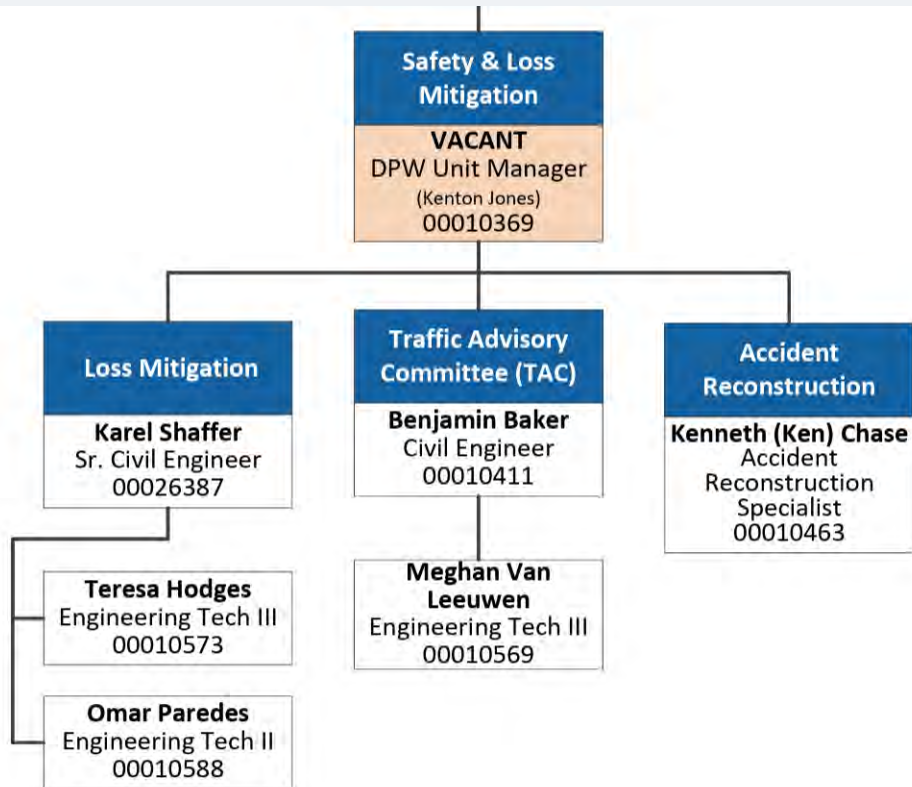
TYPICAL DIP/FLOODED SIGN INSTALLATION



1. SIGN AND BARRICADE TO BE PLACED WHILE FLOODED CONDITION EXISTS.
2. SIGN PERMANENTLY INSTALLED TO BE OPENED DURING FLOODED CONDITION. PERMANENT INSTALLATION.
3. SIGN IS OPTIONAL AND SHOULD BE PLACED PURSUANT AN ENGINEERING STUDY.
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Loss Mitigation Group

- Claims and Lawsuits



Technology & Tracking

- Road Closure GIS dashboard
 - <https://gis-portal.sandiegocounty.gov/arcgis/apps/experiencebuilder/experience/?id=bb6771decc70434a99b986a4766e1d92>
- Accela permitting system
- Automated public notifications via social media
- Live webcams
 - <https://www.sdcfcd.org/content/sdc/sdcfcd/webcams.html>
- Tell Us Now! app

Permitting and Prevailing Wage

COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO
OLSE Office of Labor Standards Enforcement
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RIGHT-OF-WAY DONE RIGHT FAQ

TRAFFIC CONTROL WORK IN THE RIGHT-OF-WAY IS DANGEROUS!

It is essential that investments maximize worker and public safety and that the work is performed by a workforce that is well-trained and paid a wage that attracts high-quality workers and helps build healthy, self-sufficient communities.

On September 14, 2022, the Board of Supervisors directed the Chief Administrative Officer to develop and return with an ordinance that codifies a minimum wage for traffic control workers, including forepersons and other on-site staff necessary for traffic control, doing work on County of San Diego-maintained roads equal to or greater than the prevailing wage that is set by the Department of Industrial Relations in the State of California for traffic control on public works projects according to the type of work and location of the project.

- WHAT DOES THE RIGHT OF WAY ORDINANCE DO?**
Requires a prevailing wage be paid for all traffic control work performed by traffic control workers on roads maintained by the County of San Diego, with or without a permit.
- WHAT IS THE CURRENT PREVAILING WAGE FOR TRAFFIC WORKERS?**
The Prevailing Wage Rate* for Building Construction Traffic Control Work - **\$66.21**²
The Prevailing Wage Rate* for Engineering Construction Traffic Control Work - **\$67.45**³
- WHO DOES IT APPLY TO?**
All Traffic Control Workers meaning: any person engaged in stopping, slowing or directing traffic through a construction site or other portion of a highway subject to a disruption in travel, including forepersons and other on-site staff necessary for traffic control, doing work on County of San Diego-maintained roads.
- WHEN DOES THE ORDINANCE TAKE EFFECT?**
Any permit or approval issued by the County of San Diego **after March 10** to perform work within a Highway that requires the use of a Traffic Control Worker must comply with this ordinance.
- WHO DOES THIS ORDINANCE NOT APPLY TO?**
Prevailing Wage Rates for Traffic Control Work do not apply to Small Projects which includes:
 - A single-family residence;
 - Event sponsored by a non-profit organization that makes use of a highway for no more than one day; or
 - Any project costing less than \$1,000.
- WHAT IS THE PENALTY FOR NOT PAYING PREVAILING WAGE TO TRAFFIC CONTROL WORKERS?**
Any failure to pay the required wage may, without limitation, be enforced by the Deputy Director of the Office of Labor Standards and Enforcement. Remedies can include: citation, civil penalty, injunctive relief (not limited to a stop work order).
- HOW CAN A WORKER FILE A COMPLAINT AGAINST THEIR EMPLOYER IF THEY BELIEVE THEY WERE NOT PAID PREVAILING WAGE?**
If you believe your rights under the Right-of-Way Done Right ordinance have been violated, you may file a complaint with the San Diego County OLSE by visiting www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/OLSE.html or by giving our office a call at (619) 521-5129.
- WHAT IF I AM AN EMPLOYER AND I STILL HAVE QUESTIONS?**
Contact the County of San Diego Department of Public Works at (858) 694-3850 for further information.
- WHAT ABOUT CURRENT EXISTING COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENTS?**
The Right-of-Way ordinance requirements will apply to applicable permits regardless of a permit holder's collective bargaining agreements with its employees.

*The Director of the California Department of Industrial Relations determines the general prevailing rate of per diem wages for a particular craft, occupation or type of service by geographical area. General Determinations are typically issued twice a year on February 22 and August 22.
²The prevailing wage rate to the priority of all of the following: + \$20.00 (basic hourly rate) + \$5.00 (health and welfare) + \$3.00 (pension) + \$2.00 (retainer and holiday) + \$0.25 (housing) + \$0.48 (other) = **\$66.21**
³The prevailing wage rate to the priority of all of the following: + \$43.13 (basic hourly rate) + \$5.00 (health and welfare) + \$3.00 (pension) + \$2.00 (retainer and holiday) + \$0.25 (housing) + \$0.48 (other) = **\$67.45**
⁴Later agreements in compliance with currently approved rates by the DIR for the class of work involving traffic control needs are in compliance with this ordinance.

DID YOU KNOW? A FLAGGER CAN EARN A TOTAL PACKAGE OF \$75+ PER HOUR ON PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS.

As California's premier bonded project site workers, the experienced and experienced FLAGGERS TRAFFIC CONTROL WORKERS - full-time, permanent wage classifications set by the state.

WHAT IS PREVAILING WAGE?

The California Department of Industrial Relations (DIR) sets the prevailing wage rate for all workers performing construction projects.

From 2010 to 2023, the prevailing wage rate for traffic control workers has increased by 100%.

- State & Highway
- Bridge
- Interstate
- Freeway
- Public Infrastructure

WHAT IS INCLUDED IN THE TOTAL HOURLY RATE?

The "Total Hourly Rate" is the minimum wage package for the project, not just the hourly pay.

- WAGE: \$66.21 per hour (State & Highway)
- HEALTH & WELFARE: \$5.00 per hour (State & Highway)
- PENSION: \$3.00 per hour (State & Highway)
- RETAINER & HOLIDAY: \$2.00 per hour (State & Highway)
- HOUSING: \$0.25 per hour (State & Highway)
- OTHER: \$0.48 per hour (State & Highway)

\$75.94 per hour (Total Hourly Rate)

EITHER WAY, THE TAXPAYERS PAY THE SAME.

The DIR's prevailing wage rate is the minimum wage for the project. If a contractor pays less than the prevailing wage rate, the contractor is in violation of the law and the state will enforce the law.

THE CONTRACTOR OR THE TAXPAYER WILL PAY THE SAME. THE TAXPAYER WILL PAY THE SAME. THE TAXPAYER WILL PAY THE SAME.

EXAMPLE: FLAGGER / TRAFFIC CONTROL WORKER

Rate	Hourly Rate	Annual Rate
Basic Hourly Rate	\$66.21	\$13,784.16
Health & Welfare	\$5.00	\$1,040.00
Pension	\$3.00	\$624.00
Retainer & Holiday	\$2.00	\$416.00
Housing	\$0.25	\$52.00
Other	\$0.48	\$99.84
TOTAL	\$75.94	\$15,916.00

The contractor must pay the worker the full wage (\$75.94). The contractor must also pay the worker the full wage (\$75.94). The contractor must also pay the worker the full wage (\$75.94).

WHY THIS MATTERS:

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FOR CONTRACTORS WHO WANT TO BUILD PEOPLE:

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LET'S WORK TOGETHER TO BUILD PEOPLE.

Fifth Street Case – Key Points



COVERAGE YOU COUNT ON

**MAN WHO TRIED TO DRIVE ACROSS FLOODED RAINBOW ROAD
WITH 5-YEAR-OLD BOY IN CAR HAD METH IN HIS SYSTEM**

Closing

- Standardization
- Documentation
- Loss Mitigation
- Permitting
- Prevailing Wage
- Technology

