

Meeting Date: February 6, 2025 Item Number: 23-12	From: Mario Lozano-Cisneros, Caltrans
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Description: Revision to the current California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (CA MUTCD 2014, Revision 8) Table 2D-102(CA), to reflect AB 1320 requirements for supplemental destination guide signing for museums.	

Recommendation:

Motion by committee to the proposed revision required by AB 1320 to CA MUTCD Table 2D-102(CA) allowing supplemental destination signs for publicly owned and private nonprofit museums with a minimum annual attendance of 50,000 persons, and within five miles of the highway, regardless of the museum is in a major metropolitan area, urbanized area or rural area.

Agency Making Request/Sponsor:

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Background:

Assembly Bill 1320 passed and was approved by the Governor on July 27, 2023. This bill adds Section 101.18 to the Streets and Highways Code.

101.18

- (a) The department shall amend the California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices to allow supplemental destination signs for museums that meet all the following:
- (1) Have a minimum annual attendance of 50,000 persons, regardless if the museum is in a major metropolitan area, urbanized area, or rural area.
 - (2) Is within five miles of the highway, regardless if the museum is in a major metropolitan area, urbanized area, or rural area.
- (b) The department shall make the amendments required by subdivision (a) in its next edition or revision to the California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices.

We propose to revise the current CA MUTCD (2014, Revision 8) Table 2D-102(CA), Criteria for Supplemental Destination Signs, to allow supplemental guide signing for Museums under this new criteria.



California Traffic Control Devices Committee (CTCDC) Agenda Item Report



Attachments:

Attachment A – Proposed Revision to CA MUTCD Table 2D-102(CA)

Attachment B – Copy of approved Assembly Bill No. 1320

ATTACHMENT A

Attachment A – Proposed Revision to CA MUTCD Table 2D-102(CA).

Proposal:

Note:

Blue text is current text as amended for use in California.

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Red text is newly proposed text.

Table 2D-102 (CA). Criteria for Supplemental Destination Signs

Type of Destination	Specific Criteria	Major Metropolitan Areas	Urbanized Areas	Rural Areas
Post Secondary School, Public or Private	Minimum Enrollment (Single Campus Locations, See Note 5). Maximum Miles from a Freeway (See Note 6).	1,000 2	1,000 4	1,000 5
Museum, Zoo, Stadium or Sports Arena	Public Owned and Non-Profit. Minimum Annual Attendance. Maximum Miles from Highway (See Note 2).	1,000,000 2	500,000 2	200,000 3
Museum	Public Owned and Non-Profit. Minimum Annual Attendance. Maximum Miles from Highway (See Note 2).	50,000 5	50,000 5	50,000 5
Convention Center	Public Owned and Non-Profit. Minimum Annual Attendance. Maximum Miles from Highway (See Note 2).	500,000 3	250,000	–
Military Base	Number of Employees and Permanent Garrison. Maximum Miles from Highway.	5,000 2	5,000 4	5,000 7
National Guard Armory	Only Emergency Center in the Area. Easy Access to Primary Evacuation Route. (See Note 2).	–	–	–
Fairgrounds	Publicly Owned and Operated. Temporary Sign Only, Unless There are Year Round Activities. Minimum Annual Attendance. Maximum Miles from Highway (See Note 2).	500,000 2	200,000 4	200,000 5
Federal or State Hospitals, Prisons, National Cemeteries and Veterans Home	Maximum Miles from Highway (See Note 2).	1	3	5
Government Centers	Number of Employees. Maximum Miles from Highway (See Note 2).	5,000 2	2,000 3	1,000 5
California Welcome Centers	Easy Access from Nearest State Highway. (See Notes 2 and 7)	–	–	–
Airports	Maximum Miles from Highway (See Note 2).	1	3	5
Rail and Light Rail Stations	Easy Access from Nearest State Highway. (See Note 2).	–	–	–

NOTES:

1. Meeting the above criteria does not guarantee placement of a sign. Limitations on the spacing between sign and the number of messages permitted, specified in Sections 2A.16, 2D.07 and 2D.40, shall be observed and eligible destinations must compete for signing on the basis of traffic service.
2. Follow-up signing, if necessary, shall be installed by local agencies before signs are placed on the State Highway.
3. If a stadium is located at a school campus for which signs are already provided, separate stadium sign will not be placed.
4. Definitions of Area Classifications:
 - A. MAJOR METROPOLITAN AREA - An urbanized area, population density of at least 1,000 inhabitants per 2.6 km² (1 mi²), not necessarily related to county boundaries, with a total population of at least 1,000,000 and an included central city with a population of at least 250,000.
 - B. URBANIZED AREA - An urbanized area with a total population of at least 50,000 and an included central city with no minimum population.
 - C. RURAL AREA - All areas outside of an urbanized area.
5. Public or private postsecondary education institution shall have an enrollment of either 1,000 or more full-time students or an equivalent in part-time students. Refer to CVC Section 21375.
6. No signs to school will be erected until funds from private sources covering the cost of the signs and their installation. If a school, which previously had signs, relocates to contribute to the improvement of the school (as determined by the California Department of Transportation), signs will be erected at the new location at no cost to the school.
7. The California Department of Transportation will charge the Welcome Center directly for the cost of the signs and their installation on the State highway. Cost for sign installation on local roads is the responsibility of the Welcome Center and the local agency.

ATTACHMENT B

Attachment B - Copy of approved Assembly Bill No. 1320



Assembly Bill No. 1320

CHAPTER 127

An act to add Section 101.18 to the Streets and Highways Code, relating to transportation.

[Approved by Governor July 27, 2023. Filed with Secretary of State July 27, 2023.]

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1320, Hoover. California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices: supplemental destination signs: museums.

The Federal Highway Administration publishes the national Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices, which is incorporated by reference into federal law, to set the national standard for all traffic control devices installed on any street, highway, or bicycle trail open to public travel. Federal law authorizes the California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices as a supplement to the federal manual, and requires it to be in substantial conformance with the federal manual. The California manual provides criteria for supplemental destination signs for publicly owned and private nonprofit museums that have minimum annual attendance between 200,000 and 1,000,000 people and that are within 2 or 3 miles from the highway.

This bill would require the department to amend the California manual to allow supplemental destination signs for publicly owned and private nonprofit museums that have minimum annual attendance of 50,000 people and that are within 5 miles from the highway. The bill would require the amendments be made in the department's next edition or revision to the California manual.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 101.18 is added to the Streets and Highways Code, to read:

101.18. (a) The department shall amend the California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices to allow supplemental destination signs for museums that meet all the following:

- (1) Have a minimum annual attendance of 50,000 persons, regardless if the museum is in a major metropolitan area, urbanized area, or rural area.
- (2) Is within five miles of the highway, regardless if the museum is in a major metropolitan area, urbanized area, or rural area.

(b) The department shall make the amendments required by subdivision (a) in its next edition or revision to the California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices.