



California Traffic Control Devices Committee Agenda Item Report



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| Meeting Date: November 03, 2022 | From: Jose' Ornelas, Caltrans District 11 |
| Item Number: 22-07 | |
| Sponsored By: Caltrans District 11 | Presented By: Jose' Ornelas, Caltrans District 11 |
| Description: Proposal to add new word message sign to California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (CA MUTCD) Section 2I.09 to report the presence of pedestrians on highways by calling 911 to improve roadway safety. | |

Recommendation:

Motion by committee to recommend inclusion of the new word message sign in CA MUTCD Section 2I.09 to report the presence of pedestrians on highways by calling 911 to improve roadway safety.

Agency Making Request/Sponsor:

Caltrans District 11 Traffic Safety & Operations Division / Yue Wang, Caltrans CTCDC Member.

Background:

Caltrans District 11 has had a significant increase in fatal collisions last year due to several pedestrians crossing the US/Mexico Border near Interstate 8 (I-8) and trying to cross the freeway. Discussions have occurred briefly at the local level for some type of signage placed in the area to warn motorists. Caltrans District 11 has been approached by the California Highway Patrol (CHP) Commissioner due to the increase in fatalities involving pedestrians. The six pedestrian-involved fatalities make up two-thirds of the fatal collisions for the area, with four fatalities occurring in 2020 and nine fatalities occurring in 2021.

The proposed sign is similar to the REPORT DRUNK DRIVERS CALL 911 (G81-66(CA)) Sign. Installation of the proposed sign potentially will encourage road users to report the presence of pedestrians to CHP by calling 911.

Attachments:

- Attachment A – Proposed Text Revisions to Section 2I.09.
- Attachment B – Proposed Revisions to Figure 2I-8(CA).
- Attachment C – Proposed Revisions to Table 2I-1(CA).



ATTACHMENT A



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Attachment A – Proposed Text Revisions to Section 2I.09.

Proposal:

Note:

Black text is unedited National MUTCD text adopted for use in current CA MUTCD. ~~Black strikethrough text~~ is National MUTCD text that is not applicable in California as shown in current CA MUTCD.

Blue text is California text additions adopted for use in current CA MUTCD.

~~Red strikethrough text~~ is text that is proposed to be deleted from the current CA MUTCD by this proposal.

Red text is text that is proposed to be included in the current CA MUTCD by this proposal.

Revise Section 2I.09 as shown:

REPORT PEDESTRIANS CALL 911 (G81-XX(CA)) Sign

Option:

~~xx When pedestrians are prohibited on the roadway, the REPORT PEDESTRIANS CALL 911 (G81-XX(CA)) Sign (see Figure 2I-8(CA)) may be installed to report the presence of pedestrians on highways by calling 911 to improve roadway safety.~~



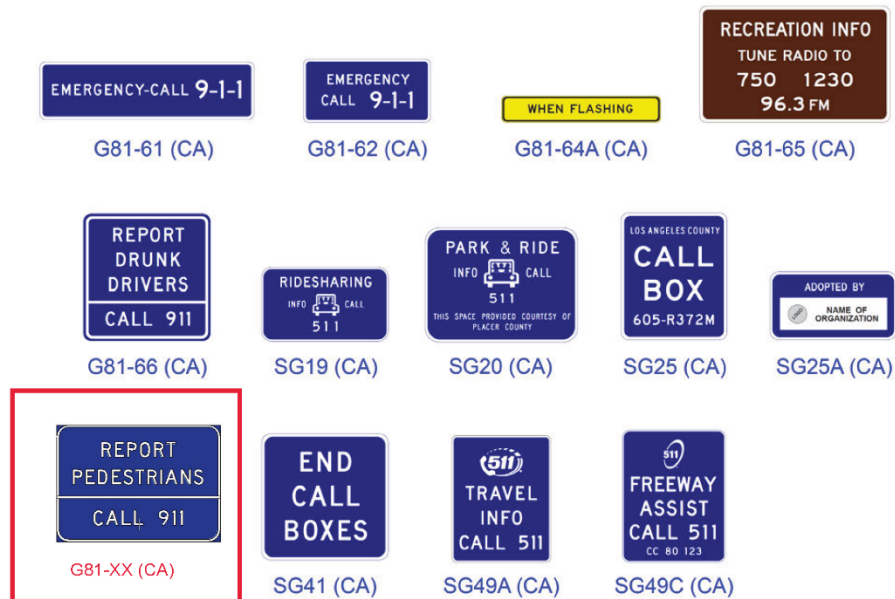
ATTACHMENT B

Attachment B – Proposed Revisions to Figure 2I-8(CA).

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Figure 2I-8 (CA). Radio, Telephone, and Carpool Information Signs





ATTACHMENT C



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Attachment C – Proposed Revisions to Table 2I-1(CA).

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Table 2I-1(CA). California General Service Sign and Plaque Sizes (Sheet 2 of 2)

| Sign or Plaque | Sign Designation | Section | Conventional Road | Freeway or Expressway |
|--|------------------|-----------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Highway Patrol | G66-57(CA) | 2I.03 | 24 x 24 | 30 x 30 |
| BRAKE CHECK AREA | G66-58(CA) | 2I.06 | VAR x 36 | VAR x 42 |
| BRAKE CHECK AREA with Arrow | G66-59(CA) | 2I.06 | VAR x 42 | VAR x 54 |
| BRAKE CHECK AREA (X MILE) | G66-60(CA) | 2I.06 | VAR x 48 | VAR x 66 |
| Sheriff | G66-61(CA) | 2I.03 | 24 x 24 | 30 x 30 |
| Police | G66-62(CA) | 2I.03 | 24 x 24 | 30 x 30 |
| NEXT REST (X MILE) | G79A(CA) | 2I.05 | 72 x 12 | 144 x 24 |
| PATROLLED BY HIGHWAY PATROL | G80B(CA) | 2I.05 | 72 x 12 | 144 x 24 |
| TOURIST INFORMATION | G81-21(CA) | 2I.08 | 144 x 24 | 204 x 30 |
| TOURIST INFORMATION | G81-24(CA) | 2I.08 | 96 x 42 | 132 x 48 |
| LP GAS | G81-52(CA) | 2I.03 | 24 x 6 | 30 x 8 |
| EMERGENCY CALL 9-1-1 | G81-61(CA) | 2I.09 | VAR x 6 | VAR x 18 |
| EMERGENCY CALL 9-1-1 | G81-62(CA) | 2I.09 | 36 x 18 | 60 x 30 |
| VENDING MACHINES | G81-63(CA) | 2I.05 | 36 x 18 | 48 x 30 |
| WHEN FLASHING | G81-64A(CA) | 2I.09 | 84 x 12 | 108 x 18 |
| Radio-Recreation Information | G81-65(CA) | 2I.09 | 84 x 48 | 108 x 66 |
| REPORT DRUNK DRIVERS CALL 911 | G81-66(CA) | 2I.09 | 36 x 36 | 48 x 48 |
| ALT FUEL VEHICLE PARKING ONLY | R116(CA) | 2I.05 | 12 x 18 | --- |
| Ridesharing Information | SG19(CA) | 2I.11 | 48 x 30 | 72 x 42 |
| Park & Ride Facility Information | SG20(CA) | 2I.11 | 48 x 36 | 66 x 54 |
| Call Box | SG25(CA) | 2I.03 | 18 x 24 | 30 x 36 |
| Call Box Adoption Plaque | SG25A(CA) | 2I.03 | 18 x 12 | 30 x 18 |
| CAL FIRE STATION NEXT RIGHT | SG38(CA) | 2I.03 | 78 x 30 | 102 x 36 |
| CAL FIRE STATION with Arrow | SG39(CA) | 2I.03 | 48 x 21 | 60 x 30 |
| END CALL BOXES | SG41(CA) | 2I.03 | 36 x 36 | 48 x 48 |
| CALIFORNIA WELCOME CENTER X MILES | SG47A(CA) | 2I.08 | 66 x 48 | 108 x 66 |
| CALIFORNIA WELCOME CENTER NEXT RIGHT | SG47B(CA) | 2I.08 | 66 x 48 | 108 x 66 |
| CALIFORNIA WELCOME CENTER with Arrow | SG47C(CA) | 2I.08 | 42 x 24 | 54 x 30 |
| CALIFORNIA WELCOME CENTER X MILES with Arrow | SG47D(CA) | 2I.08 | 42 x 28 | 54 x 36 |
| TRAVEL INFO CALL 511 | SG49A(CA) | 2I.10 | 42 x 54 | 54 x 72 |
| Fire Hydrant Street Name | S9(CA) | 2I.03 | 12 x 18 | --- |
| Fire Hydrant with Distance and Arrow | S10(CA) | 2I.03 | 18 x 12 | --- |
| Opposite Sex Attendant | S19(CA) | 2I.05 | 12 x 12 | --- |
| Rest Area/Vista Point 8 HOUR PARKING | S23(CA) | 2B.46, 2I.05 | 24 x 24 | --- |
| NO SOLICITING | S24(CA) | 2I.05 | 24 x 18 | --- |
| Rattlesnakes Caution | S26(CA) | 2I.05 | 26.75 x 23.5 | --- |
| Highway Patrol PARKING ONLY | S34(CA) | 2I.05 | 12 x 18 | --- |
| 10 HOUR PARKING COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLES | R39-3(CA) | 2B.46, 2I.05 | 24 x 18 | - |
| REPORT PEDESTRIANS CALL 911 | G81-XX (CA) | 2I.09 | | |