

To: ALL REGIONAL DIRECTORS
ALL DISTRICT HIGHWAYS MANAGERS

Subject: 9-1-1 SIGNING

Background:

During the past several years, the 9-1-1 emergency telephone service has started to be installed within British Columbia. The advantage of the 9-1-1-service is that it allows access to emergency services, such as fire, police and ambulance through one telephone number. Typically, the 9-1-1 system is being implemented on a Regional District basis, although due to the cost of the system, some Regional Districts have decided to postpone the introduction of the 9-1-1 service until a future date. However, some individual cities have proceeded ahead of the Regional District, and have arranged to have the 9-1-1 service installed.

Policy:

For Regional Districts which have the 9-1-1 emergency telephone system installed, the Ministry will sign for 9-1-1 service at the boundaries of the Regional District by installing a sign below the existing I-20 RD " ENTERING REGIONAL DISTRICT " sign.

As the 9-1-1 system is gradually implemented through the province, the need to advertise the existence of the 9-1-1 system will diminish. Therefore, once the entire province has access to the 9-1-1 system, the 9-1-1 signs will be removed.

The 9-1-1 sign has been given the following sign number; I-20T.

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