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All Regional Directors
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**Subject: Location of www.DriveBC.ca Current Road Condition Signs on MoT
“Numbered” Highways**

Purpose:

This Technical Circular introduces standards for the placement of www.DriveBC.ca signs along MoT highways in the province. For road users, the signs indicate the MoT Website where current road condition information can be obtained for all major highways throughout the province.

Background:

The MoT, in order to stay current with the communication medium used by a large segment of the population to gather information has developed a MoT Traveller Information System website. This website provides users with extensive highway information in the form of; Road Closures, Highway Cams, Border Traffic Waits, Inland Ferry Schedules, Load Restrictions, “Chain Status,” ICBC Travel Alerts, BC Ferry Information, etc.

Therefore, to inform road users and the public to this new MoT Traveller information service, the MoT will be erecting www.DriveBC.ca signs at strategic locations along “*numbered*” highways around the province.

Scope and Application:

To initiate the program, the www.DriveBC.ca signs may be (but not limited to) placed in the following locations along “*numbered*” highways;

- On the exit legs of major highway junctions. For example Highway 33 and Highway 97. Place <= 1500 metres from the junction.
- On International and Provincial/Territorial highway border crossings. Place <=1500 metres along highway entrance legs inside the BC border.
- On entrance and exit legs to Inland and BC Ferry Terminals. Place <= 1500 metres from terminals.
- On highways adjacent to, leading to, or leaving land and marine based Airport Terminals that carry commercial air passenger traffic. Place <= 1500 metres from terminals.
- On exit legs to major communities. Signs to be placed approximately where MoT “Entering Community” signs would be placed.

- Place on approach to Highway Cam and Overhead Changeable Message Sign locations. Place \leq 1500 metres from these locations.
- Place at locations where the MoT regularly invokes road closures along highway routes such as at *highway closure gate* locations often found on the approaches to mountain passes. Place \leq 1500 metres from these locations.

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