

TRANSMITTAL OF RULES ADOPTED

FROM: County Road Administration Board
(Name of Agency)

TO: CODE REVISER
LEGISLATIVE BLDG (Southwest Corner, Ground Floor)
Olympia 98501

The enclosed Permanent rules , being order No. 21
Emergency rules
relating to (Name of rules or description of subject matter)

Procedures for preparation of the annual road program by requiring a finding of environmental significance or environmental insignificance for each project included in the program

(ALTERNATIVE A. Use only for adoption of permanent rules)

pursuant to Notice No. 3929 ① filed with the code reviser on 3-15-73 ② were regularly adopted as permanent rules of this agency at Evergreen Inn on 4-13-73 and are herewith filed in the office of the code reviser pursuant to chapter 34.04 RCW. The effective date of such rules shall be 4-13-73 ③

(ALTERNATIVE B. Use only for adoption of emergency rules)

pursuant to its finding that the immediate adoption of these rules is necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety, or general welfare and that observance of the requirements of notice and opportunity to present views on the proposed action would be contrary to the public interest, were regularly adopted as emergency rules of this agency at _____ on _____ and are herewith filed in the office of the code reviser pursuant to chapter 34.04 RCW.

The undersigned hereby certifies that the requirements of chapter 34.04 RCW and of the Open Public Meetings Act of 1971, chapter 42.30 RCW (1971 ex.s. c 250) have been fulfilled.

Dated this 16 day of April 1973.

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County Road Administration Board
(AGENCY)
Ernest Geissler
By
Administrative Engineer
Title

- ① NOTICE NUMBER AS APPEARS ON THE COPY OF NOTICE RETURNED TO YOU BY REVISER'S OFFICE (IF PROCEEDINGS WERE CONTINUED, USE NO. OF LAST NOTICE)
- ② STAMPED DATE AS APPEARS ON THE COPY OF NOTICE RETURNED TO YOU BY REVISER'S OFFICE (IF PROCEEDINGS WERE CONTINUED, USE DATE OF LAST NOTICE)
- ③ UNLESS A LATER DATE IS SPECIFIED IN THIS ORDER OR IS PRESCRIBED IN ANOTHER STATUTE, RULES ARE EFFECTIVE 30 DAYS AFTER FILING: RCW 34.04.040. LEAVE THIS SPACE BLANK EXCEPT IN SUCH SPECIAL CASES.

COUNTY ROAD ADMINISTRATION BOARD

REGULATION NO. 21

REGULATION OF THE COUNTY ROAD ADMINISTRATION BOARD AMENDING A STANDARD OF GOOD PRACTICE REGARDING PROCEDURES FOR PREPARATION OF THE ANNUAL PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, Chapter 120, Laws of 1965, First Extraordinary Session, created the County Road Administration Board to formulate and adopt uniform and general practices relating to the administration of county roads for the several counties of the state, and

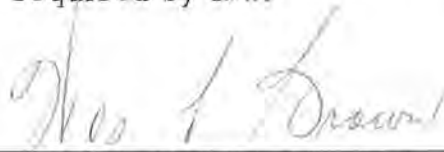
WHEREAS, the Board deems it to be a standard of good practice to include requirements for environmental assesment and subsequent actions as part of the preparation of the annual road program. Now therefore,

BE IT ESTABLISHED BY THE COUNTY ROAD ADMINISTRATION BOARD:

Section 1. The standard of good practice regarding procedures for preparation of the annual road program, Chapter 16, revised and amended as attached hereto, be and the same is hereby adopted and established for the county road departments in the several counties of the State of Washington.

Section 2. The standard as adopted hereby shall become effective immediately and shall be adhered to be all counties in the state.

Established and adopted by the Board this 13th day of April 1972 at a hearing held pursuant to notice given as required by law.



Chairman

CHAPTER 16

AMD. WAC 136-16-010 SUBMISSION OF RECOMMENDED ANNUAL ROAD PROGRAM.

The County engineer shall submit a recommended annual program to the board of county commissioners on the first meeting in July or at such other time as may be specified by the board pursuant to RCW 36.40.071 which shall include his recommendations for all construction projects and all equipment purchases for the ensuing year. The board shall consider the recommended program, make any revisions deemed necessary, and with the assistance of the county engineer identify those projects requiring a shorelines management permit, and make an initial environmental assessment of each item in the program.

NEW WAC 136-16-012 PROJECTS OF ENVIRONMENTAL SIGNIFICANCE.

In general terms, projects or work assessed as having environmental significance will be projects, during or as a result of, which lasting changes either beneficial or detrimental to the quantity, quality, stability or uniqueness of vegetation, human and animal life, geological formations, groundwater, surface water or atmosphere will occur. The impact statement for these projects shall be prepared in accordance with guidelines established by the Department of Ecology.

NEW WAC 136-16-014 PROJECTS OF ENVIRONMENTAL INSIGNIFICANCE.

In general terms, projects or work assessed as having environmental insignificance will be projects having an insignificant impact in the matters mentioned above. The initial finding of environmental insignificance may be amplified by a negative declaration if deemed advisable by the board.

NEW WAC 136-16-016 DISSEMINATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT INFORMATION

Copies of the recommended annual program showing the initial environmental assessment shall be distributed to the Department of Ecology, the Ecological Commission and any other agencies required by law. In addition, a news release should be prepared and distributed to the appropriate local news media elaborating on the determination made by the board. In the cases of assessment of environmental significance, the news release should state briefly why significant impact is anticipated, and indicate that a draft environmental impact statement will be developed and made publicly available within a given time period.

NEW WAC 136-16-018 ADOPTION OF ANNUAL PROGRAM. The board shall adopt a final annual program at any time prior to the adoption of the budget. The resolution of adoption shall contain a certification that an environmental assessment has been made on all work included in the program and state how such assessment was made public.

AMD. WAC 136-16-020 CONTENTS OF ANNUAL PROGRAM. The adopted annual program shall include, but not be limited to a listing of all proposed construction work for the year giving a very brief description of the work, the name, number and functional classification of the road, an environmental assessment, an estimate of the total cost of each project

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and a notation as to whether each project is to be done by contract or day labor. The total estimated cost of all projects in the annual program shall be approximately equal to the amount budgeted for construction in the annual road budget. All projects, including FAS, shall be shown, provided however, that the program may include an item for miscellaneous projects in any amount up to 10 per cent of the total estimated program cost, and provided further, that the program may also include a list of alternate or additional projects totalling not more than 15 per cent of the basic program to allow for substitution in the event of unforeseen delays in projects on the basic program.

AMD. WAC 136-16-040 FORWARDING OF PROGRAM. A copy of the adopted annual program and appropriate resolution shall be forwarded to the County Road Administration Board within 30 days of its adoption but not later than December 31 of each year.

NEW WAC 136-16-042 REVISION OF PROGRAM. The adopted final program may not be changed or revised except by unanimous vote of the board. Changes or revisions shall be by resolution of the board giving for each added project the same information required for all program projects including an environmental assessment. Notice of the environmental assessment shall be given as provided in -016. A copy of each change resolution shall be forwarded to the County Road Administration Board.