

	COMMUNITY MAP/ INFORMATION SIGN		Issued: JUL 2013
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General

As a courtesy to their visitors, some communities may wish to install a sign display which includes a community map, information about the community and/or its heritage, and information about large community events.

For communities with a Visitor Information Centre, that site is often the best place to install such a sign. However, not all communities have a Visitor Information Centre and others wish to display their community information at a provincial highway roadside turnout in close proximity to the community.

Standard

Community Map/Information signs are custom designed signs consisting of one large panel containing text and/or graphical messages and a support structure.

The content of Community Map/Information signs may include anything except any form of commercial advertising. Preferably, the sign should be constructed using light-weight materials such as wood or aluminum sheeting. Use of heavy and rigid materials, such as concrete or steel, is not desirable. When impacted by a vehicle, rigid structures may cause serious damage to a vehicle and result in passenger injury.

Community Map/Information signs are limited to a maximum size of 6 square metres.

Guidelines for Use

All urban municipalities in Alberta are eligible for a Community Map/Information sign. One Community Map/Information sign will be permitted on each highway entrance for the inbound direction to a community.

Community Map/Information signs will only be permitted at provincial highway roadside turnouts, that meet the geometric standards of Alberta Transportation as specified in the Highway Geometric Design Guide.

Guidelines for Placement

Community Map/Information signs are installed on the back side of roadside turnouts that meet department standards in close proximity to the community they represent (within 8 km of corporate limit).

At roadside turnouts with existing signage (such as Provincial Heritage Marker Program signs), a Community Map/Information sign will only be permitted if there is sufficient space available.

References to Standards

<i>Highway Geometric Design Guide</i>	F2.4 Class III – Rest Areas (Turnouts)
<i>Highway Geometric Design Guide</i>	Table C5.2a, Clear Zone Distances
<i>Recommended Practices</i> Section: General	General Provisions for Installing Private Signs within the Highway Right-of-Way