

Traffic Advisory Committee

The Board of Supervisors established the Traffic Advisory Committee (TAC) as an aid in providing uniform traffic regulations throughout the unincorporated areas of the County. This Committee is composed primarily of traffic specialists who as a group hear, investigate, and recommend action on citizen and public agency requests for regulatory controls on County maintained roads.

When reviewing a request, the Committee investigates it from the perspective of traffic engineers, motorists, bicyclists, law enforcement, school officials, auto insurance representatives, and the general public. It should be noted that the TAC *only* considers requests for regulatory devices.

The list of regulatory traffic devices includes, but is not limited to:

- Stop and Yield Signs
- Loading Zones
- Weight Limitations
- Traffic Signals
- Angle Parking
- Time Limit Parking
- Speed Limits
- Equestrian Crossing
- Mid-Block Pedestrian Crosswalk
- No Parking Zones

The TAC meets approximately every six weeks. Meetings are open to the public and citizens are welcome to attend.

Prior to each meeting, Department of Public Works staff assists the Committee by preparing the agenda, the necessary correspondence and consolidating engineering studies. In gathering the necessary data for agenda items, photographs are taken, prevailing speeds are determined by radar, traffic volume is electronically counted, and California Highway Patrol collision reports are examined as to type, cause, and time of occurrence. Department staff analyzes and summarizes the collected data on each agenda item and prepares a report to the Committee.

A copy of the TAC's tentative agenda is delivered to each Community planning/sponsor group prior to the meeting and posted online. The planning/sponsor group has the option of reviewing an item on the agenda and submitting a formal recommendation to the Committee as to what it believes to be an appropriate action. When a planning/sponsor group elects to review an item, it will be continued to a future meeting of the TAC.

At the TAC meeting, staff presents the collected data to the Committee. The presentation of data is followed by public testimony, if any, and Committee discussion, after which the Committee makes its recommendation for submittal to the Board of Supervisors. Since the Committee is an advisory group, the Board is not bound by the Committee's recommendation. However, the Board relies heavily upon the Committee's technical knowledge and experience in making the final decision.

It should be noted that all recommendations made to the Board of Supervisors must conform to the requirements stipulated in the California Vehicle Code and California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices.

Traffic Advisory Committee Membership

- San Diego County Fire Authority
- California Department of Transportation (Caltrans)
- California Highway Patrol
 - El Cajon Area
 - Oceanside Area
 - San Diego Area
 - Border Division
- Independent Insurance Agents and Brokers of San Diego
- San Diego County Bicycle Coalition
- County of San Diego Department of Public Works
- San Diego County Office of Education
- Pacific Safety Center
- San Diego County Sheriff's Department
- Member-At-Large Representing Supervisorial District 2
- Member-At-Large Representing Supervisorial District 3 or 5

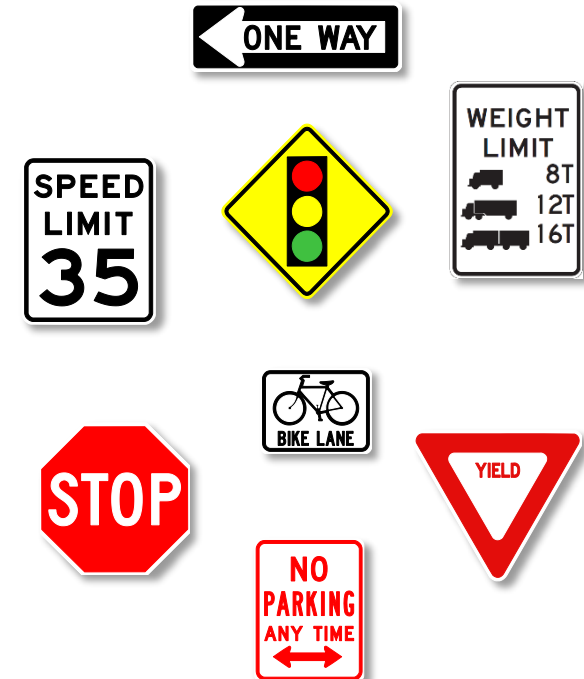
Please address requests for traffic regulations to:

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Traffic Advisory Committee
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 San Diego, CA 92123-1144

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 (858) 694-3845
 Or visit our website at:
www.sdcdpw.org

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SAN DIEGO COUNTY TRAFFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE



What happens to your suggestion...

The Board of Supervisors' goal is to provide the citizens of San Diego County with a safe, efficient, and economical road system. To accomplish this, it is necessary that well-founded traffic policies be established and used to provide persons using the road system with consistent and uniform regulations-regulations that are realistic, effective, and that can be legally enforced.

Request for traffic control devices on County maintained road are reviewed by Traffic Engineering section at 858-694-3898. If Traffic Engineering supports regulatory traffic control device, the request will be forwarded to TAC for review.

This is how the process works:

