

WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

DIVISION OF HIGHWAYS

SPECIAL PROVISION

FOR

SECTION 636

American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Signage

636.9 TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES:

ADD THE FOLLOWING TO THE SECTION:

For projects funded through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Traffic Control Devices shall include work area signs designated “American Recovery and Reinvestment Act” (ARRA). The Sign Assembly , message, and design is located on the WVDOT Contract Administration’s webpage for ARRA resources at the following link:

<http://www.transportation.wv.gov/highways/contractadmin/specifications/Pages/ARRA.aspx>



PROJECT FUNDING SOURCE
SIGN ASSEMBLY

The sign (item 636011-*, 300 Units for small sign, 600 Units for large sign) shall be installed with the following guidelines and as approved by the Engineer:

- This sign shall be installed on all Stimulus projects funded through the “American Recovery and Reinvestment Act” (ARRA).
- Funding Source Identification Signs per section 104.13 of West Virginia Division of Highways Standard Specifications for Roads and Bridges, Adopted 2000, are not required for ARRA projects.
- With respect to placement of other traffic control signs, regulatory, warning, and guide signs have a higher priority than the economic recovery signs.
- The larger sign shall be installed on Interstate and APD Routes, and smaller sign shall be installed on local and 2 lane highways.
- The larger sign shall be installed on appropriate temporary supports to be determined by the contractor. The sign shall be installed outside the clear zone, as defined by the AASHTO Roadside Design Guide or in a shielded location such as behind guardrail or on a bench.
- The top sign shall be manufactured using approved ASTM Type-IX sheeting, and the bottom sign shall be manufactured using ASTM Type-III sheeting.
- The smaller sign shall be installed on 2 ea. 3Lb/Ft temporary U-Channel supports.
- In no case shall these signs be placed such that it obscures road users' view of other traffic control devices.
- Economic recovery signs should be placed where they can be easily identified with the corresponding projects.
- If the placement of economic recovery signs conflicts with newly installed higher priority signs, or traffic signals, or temporary traffic control devices, or other priority devices, the economic recovery sign should be relocated.
- Due to public safety concerns, economic recovery signs should not be allowed at the following locations:
 - On the front, back, adjacent to or around any traffic control device, including traffic signs, signals, changeable message signs, traffic control device posts or structures, or bridge piers.
 - At key decision points where a driver's attention is more appropriately focused on traffic control devices, roadway geometry, or traffic conditions. These locations include, but are not limited to exit and entrance ramps, intersections controlled by traffic signals or by stop or yield signs, highway-rail grade crossings, work zones, and areas of limited sight distance.