

1.0. FUNCTIONS OF HOV LANE AND METERED RAMP DESIGN

1.1. Introduction

This is one of several manuals the Nevada Department of Transportation (NDOT) has developed that provide a framework for the study, implementation, design and monitoring of High-Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) and Ramp Metering facilities on major freeways in the State.

The Las Vegas area NDOT and the Regional Transportation Commission of Southern Nevada (RTC) have collectively initiated an effort to install ramp meters and implement HOV lanes along US 95 to mitigate congestion, improve safety and promote more efficient transportation mobility. Both HOV lanes and ramp meters are widely implemented, cost-effective solutions that improve safety and mobility on regional freeway and ramp facilities. HOV lanes promote time savings to ridesharing and transit users by offering a way of bypassing congestion. Ramp meters accomplish these objectives by smoothing the flow of traffic that enters a freeway facility by holding traffic to the ramp, and slowly releasing vehicles in a controlled manner so ramp-based traffic can safely merge with traffic on the freeway.

To be successful in these pursuits, NDOT developed these documents to provide guidance on how to effectively design, implement and monitor HOV lanes and ramp meters. Staff within NDOT and other stakeholder agencies, including RTC, FHWA and the various entities within the State of Nevada that have a stake in implementation and operation, can use this series of documents to ensure that these activities are completed successfully and in a consistent fashion. This Design Manual can be used to gain a high-level understanding of the design issues that should to be addressed before ramp meters, HOV lanes and related support facilities are implemented.

1.2. Criteria

The design criteria presented in this manual are intended to augment the NDOT Project Design Development Manual (PDDM), Version 2005:1:1.0 or latest version adopted. The PDDM and the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO) Policy on Geometric Design of Highways and Streets (2003 or later edition), “Green Book,” are background sources for many of the standard roadway applications that are illustrated and described. To the extent possible, this manual only provides information not contained in the PDDM. Where there may be real or construed inconsistencies, the PDDM should prevail.

1.2.1. Overview

This manual presents general guidance on how to design HOV/managed lanes and ramp meters in an effective and consistent fashion throughout the State of Nevada. Technical staff and decision makers within NDOT, the RTCs of northern and southern Nevada, as well as the numerous other transportation planning and engineering entities throughout the State, may use this guidance to implement these treatments in a manner that not only improves freeway and ramp operations, but also improves the operation of the implementing agency.

Two design settings are addressed in this guide: new roadway construction and modifications to existing roadways. These two implementation settings can create difficulties in applying a single set of design templates and illustrative treatments. Many more design exceptions may be created where an existing roadway is modified to accommodate an added lane for HOV treatment or ramp metering installation. Accordingly, many of the examples and illustrations for each type of treatment reference a desirable and reduced design condition. The desirable condition is appropriate for any new roadway or fully reconstructed freeway. A reduced condition reflects commonly accepted design deviations or conditional variances among a wide array of implementing agencies for specific conditions and settings. These designs may or may not be acceptable for a specific project setting and may be conditioned for only a specified distance or timeframe.

Background for Ramp Meters

Recently, ramp meters have been installed at seven freeway entrance ramps in Las Vegas, four on I-515 and the remaining three on US 95. On March 29, 2005, the three systems deployed on entrance ramps along US 95 were activated. The activation of these metering systems represented the first public exposure to ramp metering within the Southern Nevada region. The activation of meters on I-515 will follow the activation of the meters on US 95, but no specific timeframe has been finalized for I-515. These meters represent the initial deployment of ramp meters. In the future, the system of ramp meters along these routes may be expanded. Similarly, ramp meters may be installed along other freeways within Las Vegas (e.g. I-15 and I-215), the South Nevada region, or elsewhere in the state where traffic problems exist and ramp meters are feasible.

Before ramp meters were considered for deployment within Las Vegas, vehicles had often attempted to merge onto freeways closely spaced with one another. This phenomenon, known as “platooning”, causes drivers on the freeway to slow down to let the merging vehicles enter, and these slower speeds can contribute to time-consuming mainline freeway backups as well as dangerous sideswipe, lane change, and rear-end collisions.

Background for HOV Lanes

As part of the reconstruction and widening of US 95 north of I-15 in Las Vegas, HOV lanes were approved as part of the overall project. These dedicated lanes are envisioned to operate concurrently (one lane in each direction of travel) and located next to the median barrier (the inside travel lane). Other reconstruction and widening studies are ongoing within the Las Vegas region, and consideration of HOV lanes may be justified on portions of these routes. A regional study of HOV lanes for the greater Las Vegas area was undertaken in summer 2005 to determine which corridors may be good candidates for HOV lanes. Findings from this study will support subsequent implementation and design activities. For these reasons, design guidance of HOV lanes may be a timely subject as these studies are completed.

1.2.2. Definitions

Information contained in this manual primarily represents guidance in the design of HOV and ramp metering treatments. Definitions found in the PDDM in Section 2.1.2 related to criteria, policy, standard, guide and information are adopted in their application for this manual.

Terminology

Terms and criteria described throughout this manual attempt to match terms defined in the PDDM and their application. The most common terminology found in this manual include the following borrowed from the PDDM, Section 2.1.2, Exhibit 2.1-A:

<u>Term</u>	<u>Status*</u>	<u>Requirement for Disregarding</u>
Shall, Will, Must	Not applied in this manual	
Required	Preferred	Written justification in project file
Needed	Preferred	Written justification in project file
Essential	Preferred	Written justification in project file
Should	Optional	Engineering judgement
Desirable	Optional	Engineering judgement
May	Optional	Engineering judgement
Might	Optional	Engineering judgement
Could	Optional	Engineering judgement
Alternate	Optional	Engineering judgement
Optional	Optional	Engineering judgement
Reduced	Optional	Engineering judgement
Minimum	Preferred	Written justification in project file
Maximum	Preferred	Written justification in project file

* Reference 1.

A variety of terms are frequently used in this manual. Some applications for these terms are referenced to the respective sections noted in the PDDM:

<u>Term</u>	<u>Reference</u>
Shoulder	Section 2.2.3.3.2
Shy distance	Section 2.2.3.3
Sight distance	Section 2.2.3.4

For all other terms, refer to Appendix A.

HOV, Managed Lane and Ramp Meter Definitions

The following definitions are applied to key terms associated with these congestion management strategies:

HOV lanes:

A lane(s) or roadway dedicated to the exclusive use of specific high-occupancy vehicles, including buses, carpools, vanpools or a combination thereof, for at least a portion of the day. Current federal legislation may also conditionally permit HOV lane use to motorcycles and selected types of hybrid vehicles..

Managed lanes:

Highway facilities or lanes in which operational strategies are implemented and managed in real time in response to changing conditions. Managed lanes are distinguished from other traditional forms of lane management strategies in that they are proactively implemented, managed, and may involve using more than one operational strategy.

Ramp metering:

Ramp metering is the deployment of a traffic signal(s) on a ramp to control the rate vehicles enter and merge on a freeway. By controlling the rate vehicles are allowed to enter a freeway, traffic flow on the freeway becomes more consistent, smoothing the flow of traffic on the mainline and allowing more efficient use of existing freeway capacity.

Definitions for many of the terms associated with HOV/managed lanes and ramp metering can be found in the Glossary in Appendix A. For various other terms applicable to this subject and found in the NDOT Project Design and Development Guide, these have been incorporated into the Glossary.

1.2.3. Adopted Reference Documents

References used in the preparation of the HOV/managed lane chapters of this manual include the following:

1. Guide for High-Occupancy Vehicle Facilities, American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials, Washington D.C., November 2004.
2. HOV Systems Manual, #414, National Cooperative Highway Research Program, Transportation Research Board, Washington, D.C., 1998.
3. Guide for Park & Ride Facilities, American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials, Washington D.C., November 2004.
4. High Occupancy Vehicle Facilities: A Planning, Design and Operation Manual, Parsons Brinckerhoff, December 1990.

In addition to the specific references above for HOV design, other documents addressing HOV design considerations include the latest versions of the AASHTO Green Book,

FHWA Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD), ITE Freeway and Interchange Geometric Design Handbook (2006) and other references provided at the end of this chapter.

Various other customized documents provide guidance on the design of HOV lanes to regions. California, New York, Washington and the Federal Highway Administration have developed detailed design guidance for HOV lanes. California has a separate guide dedicated to this subject. Washington and New York have sections of their state design manual covering HOV lane treatments. Their respective guidelines have been updated based on experience and design practice, and some of this guidance is available on-line at the following weblinks:

Federal Highway Administration

- <http://www.ops.fhwa.dot.gov/travel/traffic/hov/index.htm>
- http://www.itsdocs.fhwa.dot.gov/JPODOCS/REPTS_TE/hot/index.htm

Washington State

- <http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/hov/>
- <http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/regions/northwest/hovpage/hovmain/htm>

California

- http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/traffops/systemops/hov/hov_sys/guidelines/

1.2.4. General Design Controls and Considerations

Design Controls

The same design controls found in the PDDM, Section 2.1.4, apply in this Manual. This includes velocity and vehicle and user types. Specifically, HOV lanes involve the application of transit support facilities often on or adjacent to state right-of-way, and inter-modal considerations for transit, pedestrian, bicyclists, and rail as referenced in the PDDM, Section 2.1.4.5.

Design vehicles for HOV and managed lanes are essentially the same as for general use freeway lanes, governed by the same criteria found in the PDDM. The physical and operating characteristics of users will influence the design of the HOV/managed lane. Listed in Table 1-1 are generalized requirements associated with typical design vehicles.

HOV and managed lanes should generally meet requirements for urban freeway lanes as specified in the PDDM. Listed in Tables 1-2 and 1-3 is guidance from the AASHTO Guide for High-Occupancy Vehicle Facilities (Reference 1) for mainline and ramp treatments.

Table 1-1: Sample Design Vehicle Dimensions

Design Vehicle Type	Height	Body Width	Length	Overhang		Wheel Base
				Front	Rear	
Passenger Car	4.25 ft	7 ft	19 ft	3.0 ft	5.0 ft	11 ft
40-ft City Bus	10.5 ft	8.5 ft	40 ft	7.0 ft	8.0 ft	25 ft
45-ft. Bus	12 ft	8.5 ft	45 ft	6.0 ft	8.5 ft	26.5 ft
Articulated Bus	11 ft	8.5 ft	60 ft	8.6 ft	10 ft	22 ft front, 19.4 ft rear

Source: Reference 1.

Design Considerations

A variety of typical design considerations apply to any form of ramp metering, HOV or managed lane treatment. These include specific designs addressing each type of treatment and specific operation strategies reflected in each design. In almost every instance, technical guidance and examples abound from which to borrow best practices based on many years of experience where these treatments have been implemented. NDOT has already developed design templates as guidance for the implementation of ramp meters, based on recent deployment in Las Vegas. The following section presents various controls and considerations influencing the design of HOV lanes and ramp meters.

Typical Vehicle Users-HOV

For HOV lane treatments, typical users include buses, vanpools, carpools and motorcycles. Managed lanes may include all types of vehicles if the lanes are access controlled or priced. Bus turning radii are perhaps the most significant design vehicle issue unique to HOV lanes, since each bus type has a different turning radius. Turning requirements are particularly critical for applications of direct access ramps from transit facilities or where turning at low speeds is required. Common applications include transit support facilities located on or near the freeway such as bus stations and park-and-ride lots.

Visibility is adversely affected in a single platoon of vehicles on a typical HOV lane. Sight distance caused by the mix of buses and lower profile vehicles may reduce vehicle headways, and thus, affect the lane's operation threshold. Since most HOV lanes are located next to the median, the horizontal separation, or "shy" distance, to the median barrier, where full shoulders cannot otherwise be provided, may adversely affect sight distance around curves. The shy distance, if too limited, can adversely affect an HOV lane's performance.

Trucks are typically excluded from HOV lanes based on weight or axle count (over three axles is typical). Within North America only one restricted roadway combines large commercial trucks with HOVs. Many states and locales restrict trucks from the leftmost freeway lanes as a matter of operation policy, so the consideration of trucks may run counter to this practice. Truck destinations often are different from commuters, so the access requirements and needs for this group of users may be quite different.

Accommodating trucks in the roadway design of managed lanes only becomes an issue where such facilities are modified onto existing constrained corridors where their provision would adversely affect the project's cost effectiveness and ability to meet all design vehicle requirements.

Table 1-2: Summary of HOV/Managed Lane Mainlane Criteria

<u>Design Parameter</u>	<u>Ramp Condition</u>
Design Speed	In urban areas, a design speed of 70 mph is desirable when the corridor of the mainline is relatively straight and when the character of the roadway and the location of interchanges permit high speeds. Minimum design speed should not be less than 50 mph.
Stopping Sight Distance (on level roadway)	At 70 mph, the minimum stopping sight distance needed is 730 feet. At 50 mph, the minimum stopping sight distance needed is 425 feet.
Horizontal Alignment	
Radius of Horizontal Curvature	The radius of horizontal curvature used in a particular roadway design is a function of the design speed, rate of superelevation, and the side friction with practical limits due to ROW constraints. As the design speed increases and the rate of superelevation decreases, the minimum radius of horizontal curvature required increases. In an urban environment with a maximum rate of superelevation (e_{max}) of 4% to 6%, the minimum radius at 70 mph design speed is 2,050 feet at $e_{max} = 6\%$ to 2,345 feet at $e_{max} = 4\%$. At 50 mph design speed, minimum radius is 835 feet at $e_{max} = 6\%$ to 930 feet at $e_{max} = 4\%$.
Superelevation	The rate of superelevation used in a particular roadway design will be a function of the design speed, radius of curvature, and side friction with practical limits based on driver comfort, safety, climate and local agency standards. As design speed increases and the radius of curve decreases, the need for superelevation increases. AASHTO specifies that in an urban environment, a maximum superelevation rate (e_{max}) of 4% to 6% is common practice.
Vertical Alignment	
Rate of Vertical Curvature, K-Crest	Basing the minimum lengths of crest vertical curves (and the rate of vertical curvature) on stopping sight distance criteria is usually sufficient from the viewpoint of safety, comfort, and appearance. In some instances, decision sight distance criteria should be considered. Based on stopping sight distance at 70 mph design speed, the minimum $K = 247$. At 50 mph design speed, the minimum $K = 84$.
Rate of Vertical Curvature, K-Sag	The use of stopping sight distance criteria for establishing minimum rates of vertical curvature is recommended. However, three other criteria are evaluated when designing a sag vertical curve, namely passenger comfort, drainage control and general appearance. At 70 mph design speed, the minimum $K = 181$. At 50 mph design speed, the minimum $K = 96$.
Alignment Combined	Horizontal and vertical alignment should not be designed independently. See AASHTO Green Book, Chapter 3, Elements of Design.
Grades	Maximum grades for 50 mph design speed on level or rolling terrain are 4% and 5%, respectively. For 70 mph design speed, maximum grades are 3% and 4%, respectively. Length of grade and design vehicle are important to consider. When the cross slope of the road is adequate to drain the pavement surface adequately, flat grades can generally be used without problem.
Clearance-Vertical	Desirable is 16 feet and where this minimum vertical clearance would be cost prohibitive in highly urbanized areas, a minimum clearance of 14 feet may be used if there is an alternate freeway facility with the minimum 16-foot clearance. Allowance should be made for future resurfacing.

Table 1-2: Summary of HOV/Managed Lane Mainlane Criteria (Continued)

<u>Design Parameter</u>	<u>Ramp Condition</u>
Clearance-Horizontal	See AASHTO <i>Roadside Design Guide</i> .
Lane Width	HOV lane widths should be 12 feet.
Cross Slope	Minimum: 1.5% to 2%. Maximum: 2% to 2.5% (center crown).

Source: Reference 1.

Table 1-3: Summary of HOV/Managed Lane Ramp Criteria

<u>Design Parameter</u>	<u>Ramp Condition</u>
Design Speed	Desirable ramp design speeds should approximate low-volume running speed on the intersecting highway. Unlike the middle range of ramp design speeds in AASHTO, a 70 mph mainline design speed, minimum ramp design speed is 50 mph. For a 50 mph mainline design speed, minimum ramp design speed is 35 mph. For a direct connector (flyover) ramp, minimum is 40 mph.
Stopping Sight Distance (on level roadway)	See mainline for minimum. Sight distance on mainline approach to exit ramp is preferably 25 percent greater than the stopping sight distance.
Horizontal Alignment	
Radius of Horizontal Curvature	Use of compound or spiral curve transitions are desirable, being careful that the design does not require or encourage unexpected or abrupt speed adjustments without proper sight distance. For compound curves, the ratio of the flatter radius to the sharper radius should not exceed 2:1 while 1.75:1 is desirable. Minimum and desirable lengths of the circular arcs of compound curves for given radii are given in the AASHTO Green Book, Chapter 3, Elements of Design.
Superelevation	See mainline. Algebraic difference in cross slope between auxiliary land and adjacent through lane should not exceed four to five percent with 35 mph or greater speed of exit or entrance curve. Three ramp segments, exit terminal, ramp proper, and entrance terminal should be analyzed in combination to determine the appropriate design speed and superelevation rates.
Vertical Alignment	
Rate of Vertical Curvature, K-Crest	See mainline. Ramp profiles usually take on the shape of an “S” curve, with a sag vertical curve at the lower end and a crest vertical curve at the upper end.
Rate of Vertical Curvature, K-Sag	See mainline.
Alignment Combined	
Grades	Ramp terminal profiles are determined by required mainline profiles. Ramps with bus traffic: desirable maximum is five percent for short upgrade and the desirable maximum is three to four percent for downgrade with sharp horizontal curvature.
Clearance-Vertical	See mainline.
Clearance-Horizontal	See mainline.
Lane Width	Travel-way width: 14 feet to 30 feet. See AASHTO Green Book, Chapter 10.
Cross Slope	Tangent sections: Minimum 1.5%. Maximum 2.0% (one-way).

Source: Reference 1.

Motorcycles in the U.S. are considered eligible for any HOV lane unless safety issues are identified that would preclude them. The latest federal legislation also allows consideration of hybrid powered vehicles if they meet specific performance requirements, and from a design requirement, will probably not influence a specific facility design. Emergency vehicles responding to an incident are usually exempted by local practice,

and depending on the facility design, may need special access considerations addressed if the HOV or managed lane is physically separated from other lanes. Managed lanes are typically open to all traffic except perhaps large trucks, and are best designed for general traffic conditions following guidance from the NDOT Design Guide and AASHTO Green Book.

Typical Vehicle Users-Ramp Metering

Ramp metering should address all classifications of vehicles allowed to use state designated controlled access roadways.

Operation Policy

Ramp meters and some HOV lanes operate only during selected hours in the peak period. At other times the ramp is not metered. An HOV lane may be restricted full time or not restricted and open to all traffic during off-peak periods. Changes in how a ramp or dedicated HOV lane operate need to account for easy user understanding of the prevailing operation policy and how this policy is communicated on signs, pavement markings and other traffic control devices employed. If the lane is open to all traffic, then how the lane is differentiated or physically separated may promote confusion outside the operating period. Even if a HOV lane is operated on a 24-hour basis, this intent needs to be communicated because surrounding states may have projects that operate only part-time. The Policy and Implementation Guides address the process for establishing an operation policy. Before design is undertaken, a clear understanding of this policy should be the basis for design selection and application. The most common failing of many HOV lane designs is failure to account for potential or anticipated changes in operation policy that may be caused by a need to alter who is eligible and how the facility is operated. These changed conditions are hard to address later on.

Managed lanes involving pricing may operate on a full-time basis. To best manage demand, full-time operation may require a price change throughout the operation period to coincide with periods of high or low demand. In this manner, communicating the prevailing price and related time savings benefits may be a requirement in the design of any managed lane.

Restrictions on Eligibility and Periods of Use

A vast majority of HOV lanes, including bypass lanes at ramp meters, are restricted to two or more persons per vehicle. The latest federal guidance encourages local policies be adopted to define proper restrictions for HOV lane use. Restrictions need to be clearly presented to motorists on signing approaching and within the restricted lane treatment.

Changing user and lane restrictions will require modifying the requisite signing and markings, as appropriate.

HOV Lane Orientation

Typically, freeway HOV/managed lanes are located adjacent to the median to avoid conflicts with local ramps and associated merging with local access ramps. Median orientations are also more amenable to limiting HOV lane ingress and egress and discouraging shorter distance trips from using the HOV lane. Median oriented breakdown shoulders are typically used by both HOVs, and right side shoulders used by general traffic. However, most concurrent HOV lanes would permit traffic from either roadway to use whatever shoulder is most convenient, even if access restrictions exist between the HOV and general purpose lanes.

Median oriented HOV lanes do not work well for transit services that require frequent loading and unloading of passengers, because buses can spend more effort merging into and out of the dedicated lane than benefiting from it. Median bus stations should be considered for this type of service and lane orientation, or the transit service plan should be tailored to more point-to-point express non-stop service that does not require intermediate stops.

Outside shoulder HOV lane treatments on freeways are not suitable to a heavy volume of mixed buses and carpools. Such treatments can be workable for short distances to serve as a bus queue bypass between successive local access ramps, and for temporary settings where transit stops may already be in existence. One locale has relocated right side HOV lanes to the median as demand has grown (Figure 1-1). Borrowing an inside shoulder for high-speed HOV lane traffic is not encouraged, as the temporary use of a breakdown shoulder for a moving lane can confuse motorists and create a safety hazard. Outside shoulder use should be clearly signed, speeds reduced for shoulder users, and conditions closely monitored.

Figure 1-1: I-405 HOV Lane Before and After Conversion to Inside HOV Orientation in Seattle Area



Separation from Adjacent Lanes

If an HOV restriction is applied on a part-time basis and the lane reverts to general use at other times, then the lane should not be so differentiated that it causes motorist confusion

during non-restricted periods. About half of HOV lanes currently operating in the U.S. are part-time and are separated only with a pavement marking stripe that meets MUTCD requirements.

However, for full-time operations and where HOV volumes are high, some additional form of separation is encouraged. A painted buffer is commonly applied as exemplified in Figure 1-2. Painted buffers or provision of physical separation promote more efficient traffic flow where travel speed differentials in adjacent lanes can be quite high, and these treatments may improve operational safety. Managed lanes employing pricing may need some form of physical separation (e.g., hard concrete barriers or soft pylon barriers) to deter toll evaders. Specific requirements for lane separation can be found in Section 3.1.1.

Figure 1-2: Buffer Separated HOV Lane in Southern California



Access

When lane demand is high or accessing movements constitute a large percentage of total users, regulating access is encouraged. Access restrictions and dedicated access ramps are ways to promote a more orderly flow of traffic in these settings. A wide variety of access treatments have been demonstrated on HOV and managed lanes. Experience is still being gained on the best ways to handle large volumes of vehicles on multi-lane roadways. The current best guidance for such settings is to provide the same level of design common to multi-lane freeways. Specific guidance on access for each major type of HOV/managed lane treatment is found in Section 3.2.

Enforcement and Incident Management

A managed roadway must provide a high degree of reliability to be effective. Rules and regulations associated with management tools are different from regular traffic lanes. Enforcement may be aided by new technologies to address toll evaders, but some on-site presence may still be needed, particularly for occupancy enforcement. The facility's operation rules and prices for use may change from peak to off-peak conditions, or from day to day. Such changes can complicate the role of enforcement and incident management. Every HOV project has benefited when these personnel are brought in

early in the design process, and when provisions were included to help promote safe and effective enforcement practices. Some example provisions include wide shoulders, barrier protection, dedicated enforcement areas with good visibility, frequent and clearly understood signing and adequate lighting. On some projects dedicated personnel are made available and are separately funded for this role. More detailed information describing unique enforcement design provisions for different facility types is included in Section 3.3.1.

1.3. Design Exceptions or Variances

Many locales have implemented HOV lane designs in very constrained geometric settings. Design feasibility may require design exceptions or variances. The application and study of each situation is often site-specific. The presentation of reduced and minimum design examples in this manual is intended to reflect these different contextual settings. Guidance for studying and addressing design exceptions can be found in the PDDM, Section 2.1.5, and is applicable to facilities discussed in this manual.

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