



Instructions: If your jurisdiction has adopted the required access permitting standards described in the enclosed letter, please complete Section A. If not, please complete Section B. Please submit the completed form with original signatures no later than November 30, 2007 to: Karena Houser, WSDOT Policy Development & Regional Coordination, PO Box 47370, Olympia, WA, 98504-7370. Thank you!

SECTION A

CONFIRMING ADOPTION OF REQUIRED ACCESS PERMITTING STANDARDS:

I, _____ confirm by my signature below that
Name of City Representative
_____ has adopted standards for access permitting on
City or Town
streets designated as state highways in Ordinance _____ adopted _____, _____ and
Number Month and Day Year
that these standards meet or exceed the access standards adopted by the Washington State Transportation in
Chapters 468-51 and 52 of the Washington Administrative Code (<http://apps.leg.wa.gov/wac>).

Signature of City Representative Date

Title of City Representative

SECTION B

DETAILING PROGRESS TOWARD ADOPTING REQUIRED STANDARDS:

Please briefly describe (1) why your jurisdiction has not yet adopted the required access permitting standards for managed access state highways within city boundaries, (2) where your jurisdiction is in the process of adopting the required standards, and (3) what date you anticipate the required standards will be adopted.

PLEASE SEE ATTACHED LETTER. DATED NOV. 30th, 2007.



Gladys Doriot, Mayor

Ron Onslow, Council Member

Gary Adkins, Council Member

Matthew Swindell, Council Member

David Standal, Council Member

November 30, 2007

Mrs. Karena Houser
WSDOT Policy Development & Regional Coordination
PO Box 47370
Olympia, WA 98504-7370

Subject: City of Ridgefield Update on Adoption of Required Access Permitting Standards

Dear Mrs. Houser:

This letter is in response to the correspondence sent to the City of Ridgefield (City) on October 3, 2007 requesting that the City submit confirmation of adoption of the required Access Permitting Standards for SR 501 or provide documentation detailing the City's progress towards adoption.

The City has not yet adopted access permitting standards for SR 501. The City has been rapidly growing (approximately 22%, 20% and 14% growth over the past three years) with a large amount of this growth occurring along the SR 501 corridor. As a result, the City has been continuously coordinating with WSDOT's Southwest Region in regards to design and access standards. The City signed an agreement with WSDOT in 2004 pertaining to the corridor which outlines controls at major intersections, design speeds, right-of-way procedures and access control. Although the City has not yet adopted the required access permitting standards, we have been working with the Southwest Region office to ensure that access standards are being met.

As a result of the large growth along the corridor, the City has also been working with the Southwest Region office to update the agreement between the two agencies. In coordination with WSDOT, City Staff will be presenting an ordinance to the City Council during the first quarter (calendar year) requesting an approval of a change in the Design Speed from 50 mph to 40 mph. It is anticipated that an ordinance adopting new access permitting standards and a new agreement for the SR 501 corridor will be brought forth to Council in this same time frame.

Should you have any questions in this regard, please do not hesitate to contact me at (360-857-5023).

Sincerely,
The City of Ridgefield

Steven R. Wall, P.E.
Public Works Director

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cc: Public Works Department Files