

**COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS - LAND USE
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 27, 2025**

MINUTE ORDER NO. 9

**SUBJECT: TRAFFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND RELATED CEQA FINDING
(08/27/2025 - ADOPT RECOMMENDATIONS) (DISTRICTS: 1, 2, & 4)**

OVERVIEW

The Traffic Advisory Committee (TAC) supports the Department of Public Works (DPW) traffic engineering program. The TAC was established by the Board of Supervisors (Board) in the 1950s to provide traffic regulations and recommendations within the unincorporated areas of the region. To be effective, the TAC proposes policies that will enhance safety, reduce congestion, and be legally enforceable. The TAC meets every two months to review proposed additions, deletions, or changes to regulatory traffic control devices such as speed limits, stop signs, traffic signals, and parking regulations on County of San Diego (County) maintained roads. Upon receipt of a request or recommendation for the implementation of a traffic safety measure in unincorporated areas, the TAC reviews and investigates the requested item, including engineering and traffic condition studies. The TAC recommendations are provided to the Board for consideration. The TAC recommends the Board act on four items from the April 4, 2025, TAC meeting:

District. Item	Description
1. 1-A	Quarry Road from 950' east of Sweetwater Road to cul-de-sac in Sweetwater. Review requested by DPW staff. Extend temporary highway closure an additional 18 months.
2. 2-A	Camino Monte Sombra from 275' east of Calle de la Sierra to end in La Cresta. Review requested by DPW staff. Extend temporary highway closure an additional 18 months.
2. 2-B	Pepper Drive and Mollison Avenue/Lindenwood Drive in El Cajon. Review requested by residents. Place the intersection on the County's traffic signal list for design and construction.
4. 4-A	Whitestone Road from 130' north of Lake Ridge Court to cul-de-sac in Casa de Oro. Review requested by DPW staff. Extend temporary highway closure an additional 18 months.
These items have no impact on tribal lands.	

Approval of Item 1-A on Quarry Road in Sweetwater (District 1), Item 2-A on Camino Monte Sombra in La Cresta (District 2), and Item 4-A on Whitestone Road in Spring Valley (District 4) would extend temporary road closures previously established by the Board for an additional 18-month period to eliminate continual and serious criminal activities as identified in the California Vehicle Code at the request of the California Highway Patrol and the San Diego County Sheriff's Department. These items will allow barriers to assist in preventing the recurrence of loitering, crime, and dumping.

Approval of Item 2-B on Pepper Drive and Mollison Avenue/Lindenwood Drive in El Cajon (District 2) will add the intersection to the County's traffic signal installation or modification list. The County's Traffic Signal List allows staff to seek funding for subsequent design and construction. Traffic control signals will provide safety enhancement measures for pedestrians, bicyclists, and all other road users.

Properly designed traffic control signals help manage intersections safely and efficiently by coordinating vehicle and pedestrian movements.

The Board's action on Item 1-A on Quarry Road in Sweetwater (District 1), Item 2-A on Camino Monte Sombra in La Cresta (District 2), and Item 4-A on Whitestone Road in Spring Valley (District 4) does not revise the San Diego County Code of Regulatory Ordinances (County Code) and therefore does not require a second reading of an ordinance.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

TRAFFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE

District 1:

Item 1-A. Quarry Road from 950' east of Sweetwater Rd to cul-de-sac in Sweetwater - Extend the existing temporary highway closure for an additional 18-month period.

District 2:

Item 2-A. Camino Monte Sombra from 275' east of Calle de la Sierra to the end in La Cresta - Extend the existing temporary highway closure for an additional 18-month period.

Item 2-B. Pepper Drive and Mollison Avenue/Lindenwood Drive in El Cajon - Place the intersection on the County's traffic signal list for design and construction.

District 4:

Item 4-A. Whitestone Road from a point 130' north of Lake Ridge Court to the end of County maintenance in Spring Valley - Extend the existing temporary highway closure for an additional 18-month period.

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

1. Find that the proposed project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) as specified under Section 15301 of the CEQA Guidelines because the proposed action involves minor alterations of existing public facilities relating to regulatory traffic control on County of San Diego maintained roadways, resulting in negligible or no expansion of existing or former use.
2. Adopt the Traffic Advisory Committee's recommendations.
3. Adopt the following resolution: RESOLUTION AMENDING TRAFFIC RESOLUTION NO. 2663 RELATING TO THE TEMPORARY CLOSING TO THROUGH TRAFFIC ON A COUNTY HIGHWAY AS A RESULT OF SERIOUS AND CONTINUAL CRIMINAL ACTIVITY IN THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO. (Items 1-A, 2-A, & 4-A)

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The review of traffic signs, intersection controls, and roadway markings supports vehicle safety on the County of San Diego maintained roads. The transportation system must be safe for all road users, for all modes of transportation, in all communities, and for people of all incomes, races, ethnicities, ages, and abilities. Understanding travel patterns, where correctable crashes are occurring, and the disproportionate impacts on certain communities allows the Department of Public Works (DPW) to identify actions to address the underlying causes, improve safety, and ensure there is justice in the enforcement of traffic regulations.

DPW's Local Roadway Safety Plan reviews correctable collisions along road segments within the unincorporated areas of the region and uses the Healthy Places Index (3.0) and CalEnviroScreen (4.0) to ensure underserved populations are prioritized. The Traffic Advisory Committee (TAC) relies on the Local Roadway Safety Plan and performs reviews of regulatory traffic control devices such as signs and markings. While adherence to sign and marking standards developed by the California Department of Transportation is crucial to obtaining the compliance of most drivers, the TAC also relies on various community engagement methods such as the Tell Us Now! Mobile app, toll-free hotlines, and a customer service request program to intake reports on a wide variety of traffic concerns and ensure the concerns are addressed.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The proposed actions have social, health and well-being, and environmental sustainability benefits. The Traffic Advisory Committee has made addressing sustainability a top priority by partnering with local communities and industry leaders in a public forum every two months to find timely, reasonable, and cost-effective in-road traffic solutions that reduce costly traffic delays, mitigate vehicle idling to reduce emissions, improve fire response times and regional readiness, ensure justice in enforcement of traffic regulations.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with these recommendations. There will be no change in net General Fund costs and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, seconded by Supervisor Aguirre, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, and adopted Resolution No. 25-094 entitled: RESOLUTION AMENDING TRAFFIC RESOLUTION NO. 2663 RELATING TO THE TEMPORARY CLOSING TO THROUGH TRAFFIC ON A COUNTY HIGHWAY AS A RESULT OF SERIOUS AND CONTINUAL CRIMINAL ACTIVITY IN THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO. (Items 1-A, 2-A, & 4-A).

AYES: Aguirre, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Montgomery Steppe, Desmond

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County of San Diego) §

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of the Original entered in the Minutes of the Board of Supervisors.

ANDREW POTTER
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors



Signed
by Andrew Potter



AUGUST 27, 2025