



# **DESOTO PARISH POLICE JURY**

## **February 05, 2024 at 5:02 PM**

### **Road Committee Meeting**

**Police Jury Meeting Room, 101 Franklin Street, Mansfield, LA 71052**

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## **AGENDA**

Ernel Jones, Chairman, Jimmy Holmes, Nick Rains, Keith Parker, and Richard Fuller

### **A. CALL TO ORDER**

### **B. CALL FOR ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS**

### **C. GUEST AND PUBLIC COMMENTS**

1. Orbideen Norris and Ernest Whitaker - Red Lick Road and George Smalls Road

### **D. ROAD ITEMS**

2. Authorize the President to sign the Annual DOTD Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Act Assurance Letter
3. Install three (3) speed bumps on Evans Loop off of Hwy 509 in Carmel.
4. Approve changing all Private Road Signs to the color blue
5. Install 2 speed bumps on Red Bluff Road on the East End

### **E. ADJOURN**



# DeSoto Parish Police Jury

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February 20, 2024

Mr. Charles McBride  
Right of Way Region 1 Manager  
Louisiana Department of  
Transportation and Development  
P. O. Box 4068  
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Re: Assurances - Uniform Relocation Assistance  
and Real Property Acquisition Act

Dear Mr. McBride:

The DeSoto Parish Police Jury assures that it will comply with the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act, as amended (Uniform Relocation Act), 42 U.S.C. 4601-4655, and, with implementing Federal regulations in 49 C.F.R. Part 24.

Specifically, the DeSoto Parish Police Jury assures that:

1. Whenever Federal financial assistance is used to pay for any part of the cost of a program or project which will result in the displacement of any person:
  - (a) Fair and reasonable relocation payments and assistance shall be provided to or for displaced persons in accordance with the Uniform Relocation Act.
  - (b) Relocation assistance programs offering the services described in accordance with the Uniform Relocation Act shall be provided to displaced persons.
  - (c) Within a reasonable period of time prior to displacement, comparable replacement dwellings will be available to displaced persons in accordance with the Uniform Relocation Act.
2. Whenever Federal financial assistance is used to pay for any part of the cost of a program or project which will result in the acquisition of real property;
  - (a) In acquiring real property the Parish will be guided, by the land acquisition provisions of the Uniform Relocation Act.
  - (b) Property owners will be paid or reimbursed for necessary expenses as specified in the Uniform Relocation Act.

Sincerely,

Rodriguez Ross, President

RR/jz  
cc: File

**Table 2D-2. Recommended Minimum Letter Heights on Street Name Signs**

| Type of Mounting | Type of Street or Highway | Speed Limit      | Recommended Minimum Letter Height |             |
|------------------|---------------------------|------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------|
|                  |                           |                  | Initial Upper-Case                | Lower-Case  |
| Overhead         | All types                 | All speed limits | 12 inches                         | 9 inches    |
| Post-mounted     | Multi-lane                | More than 40 mph | 8 inches                          | 6 inches    |
| Post-mounted     | Multi-lane                | 40 mph or less   | 6 inches                          | 4.5 inches  |
| Post-mounted     | 2-lane                    | All speed limits | 6 inches*                         | 4.5 inches* |

\* On local two-lane streets with speed limits of 25 mph or less, 4-inch initial upper-case letters with 3-inch lower-case letters may be used.

16 An alternative background color other than the normal guide sign color of green may be used for Street Name (D3-1 or D3-1a) signs where the highway agency determines this is necessary to assist road users in determining jurisdictional authority for roads.

**Standard:**

17 **Alternative background colors shall not be used for Advance Street Name (D3-2) signs (see Section 2D.44).**

18 **The only acceptable alternative background colors for Street Name (D3-1 or D3-1a) signs shall be blue, brown, or white. Regardless of whether green, blue, or brown is used as the background color for Street Name (D3-1 or D3-1a) signs, the legend (and border, if used) shall be white. For Street Name signs that use a white background, the legend (and border, if used) shall be black.**

*Guidance:*

19 *An alternative background color for Street Name signs, if used, should be applied to the Street Name (D3-1 or D3-1a) signs on all roadways under the jurisdiction of a particular highway agency.*

20 *In business or commercial areas and on principal arterials, Street Name signs should be placed at least on diagonally opposite corners. In residential areas, at least one Street Name sign should be mounted at each intersection. Signs naming both streets should be installed at each intersection. They should be mounted with their faces parallel to the streets they name.*

*Option:*

21 To optimize visibility, Street Name signs may be mounted overhead. Street Name signs may also be placed above a regulatory or STOP or YIELD sign with no required vertical separation.

*Guidance:*

22 *In urban or suburban areas, especially where Advance Street Name signs for signalized and other major intersections are not used, the use of overhead Street Name signs should be strongly considered.*

*Option:*

23 At intersection crossroads where the same road has two different street names for each direction of travel, both street names may be displayed on the same sign along with directional arrows.

24 On lower speed roadways, historic street name signs within locally identified historic districts that are consistent with the criteria contained in 36 CFR 60.4 for such structures and districts may be used without complying with the provisions of Paragraphs 3, 4, 6, 9, 12 through 14, and 18 through 20 of this section.

*Support:*

25 Information regarding the use of street names on supplemental plaques for use with intersection-related warning signs is contained in Section 2C.58.

**Section 2D.44 Advance Street Name Signs (D3-2)**

*Support:*

01 Advance Street Name (D3-2) signs (see Figure 2D-10) identify an upcoming intersection. Although this is often the next intersection, it could also be several intersections away in cases where the next signalized intersection is referenced.

**Standard:**

02 **Advance Street Name (D3-2) signs, if used, shall supplement rather than be used instead of the Street Name (D3-1) signs at the intersection.**

*Option:*

03 Advance Street Name (D3-2) signs may be installed in advance of signalized or unsignalized intersections to provide road users with advance information to identify the name(s) of the next intersecting street to prepare for crossing traffic and to facilitate timely deceleration and lane changing in preparation for a turn.

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**Table 2A-5. Common Uses of Sign Colors**

| Type of Sign                | Legend |       |      |       |        |        |                          |                  | Background |      |       |       |         |      |       |         |        |                          |                  |
|-----------------------------|--------|-------|------|-------|--------|--------|--------------------------|------------------|------------|------|-------|-------|---------|------|-------|---------|--------|--------------------------|------------------|
|                             | Black  | Green | Red  | White | Yellow | Orange | Fluorescent Yellow-Green | Fluorescent Pink | Black      | Blue | Brown | Green | Orange* | Red* | White | Yellow* | Purple | Fluorescent Yellow-Green | Fluorescent Pink |
| Regulatory                  | X      |       | X    | X     |        |        |                          |                  | X          |      |       |       |         | X    | X     |         |        |                          |                  |
| Prohibitive                 |        |       | X    | X     |        |        |                          |                  |            |      |       |       |         | X    | X     |         |        |                          |                  |
| Permissive                  |        | X     |      |       |        |        |                          |                  |            |      |       |       |         |      | X     |         |        |                          |                  |
| Warning                     | X      |       |      |       |        |        |                          |                  |            |      |       |       |         |      |       | X       |        |                          |                  |
| Pedestrian                  | X      |       |      |       |        |        |                          |                  |            |      |       |       |         |      |       | X       |        | X                        |                  |
| Bicycle                     | X      |       |      |       |        |        |                          |                  |            |      |       |       |         |      |       | X       |        | X                        |                  |
| Guide                       |        |       |      | X     |        |        |                          |                  |            |      |       | X     |         |      |       |         |        |                          |                  |
| Interstate Route            |        |       |      | X     |        |        |                          |                  |            | X    |       |       |         | X    |       |         |        |                          |                  |
| State Route                 | X      |       |      |       |        |        |                          |                  |            |      |       |       |         |      | X     |         |        |                          |                  |
| U.S. Route                  | X      |       |      |       |        |        |                          |                  |            |      |       |       |         |      | X     |         |        |                          |                  |
| County Route                |        |       |      |       | X      |        |                          |                  |            | X    |       |       |         |      |       |         |        |                          |                  |
| Forest Route                |        |       |      | X     |        |        |                          |                  |            |      | X     |       |         |      |       |         |        |                          |                  |
| Street Name                 |        |       |      | X     |        |        |                          |                  |            |      |       | X     |         |      |       |         |        |                          |                  |
| Destination                 |        |       |      | X     |        |        |                          |                  |            |      |       | X     |         |      |       |         |        |                          |                  |
| Reference Location          |        |       |      | X     |        |        |                          |                  |            |      |       | X     |         |      |       |         |        |                          |                  |
| Information                 |        |       |      | X     |        |        |                          |                  |            | X    |       | X     |         |      |       |         |        |                          |                  |
| Evacuation Route            |        |       |      | X     |        |        |                          |                  |            | X    |       |       |         |      |       |         |        |                          |                  |
| Road User Service           |        |       |      | X     |        |        |                          |                  |            | X    |       |       |         |      |       |         |        |                          |                  |
| Recreational                |        |       |      | X     |        |        |                          |                  |            |      | X     | X     |         |      |       |         |        |                          |                  |
| Temporary Traffic Control   | X      |       |      |       |        |        |                          |                  |            |      |       |       | X       |      |       |         |        |                          |                  |
| Incident Management         | X      |       |      |       |        |        |                          |                  |            |      |       |       | X       |      |       |         |        |                          | X                |
| School                      | X      |       |      |       |        |        |                          |                  |            |      |       |       |         |      |       |         |        |                          | X                |
| ETC-Account Only            | X      |       |      |       |        |        |                          |                  |            |      |       |       |         |      |       |         | X****  |                          |                  |
| Changeable Message Signs    |        |       |      |       |        |        |                          |                  |            |      |       |       |         |      |       |         |        |                          |                  |
| Regulatory                  |        |       | X*** | X     |        |        |                          |                  |            | X    |       |       |         |      |       |         |        |                          |                  |
| Warning                     |        |       |      |       | X      |        |                          |                  |            | X    |       |       |         |      |       |         |        |                          |                  |
| Temporary Traffic Control   |        |       |      |       | X      | X      |                          |                  |            | X    |       |       |         |      |       |         |        |                          |                  |
| Guide                       |        |       |      | X     |        |        |                          |                  |            | X    |       | X**   |         |      |       |         |        |                          |                  |
| Motorist Services           |        |       |      | X     |        |        |                          |                  |            | X    | X**   |       |         |      |       |         |        |                          |                  |
| Incident Management         |        |       |      |       | X      |        |                          | X                |            | X    |       |       |         |      |       |         |        |                          |                  |
| School, Pedestrian, Bicycle |        |       |      |       | X      |        | X                        |                  |            | X    |       |       |         |      |       |         |        |                          |                  |

- \* Fluorescent versions of these background colors may also be used.
- \*\* These alternative background colors would be provided by blue or green lighted pixels such that the entire CMS would be lighted, not just the legend.
- \*\*\* Red is used only for the circle and slash or other red elements of a similar static regulatory sign.
- \*\*\*\* The use of the color purple on signs is restricted per the provisions of Paragraph 1 of Section 2F.03.

39. "Guidelines for Accessible Pedestrian Signals (NCHRP Web-Only Document 117B)," 2008 Edition (TRB)
40. "Highway Capacity Manual," 2000 Edition (TRB)
41. "Recommended Procedures for the Safety Performance Evaluation of Highway Features," (NCHRP Report 350), 1993 Edition (TRB)
42. "The Americans with Disabilities Act Accessibility Guidelines for Buildings and Facilities (ADAAG)," July 1998 Edition (The U.S. Access Board)

### Section 1A.12 **Color Code**

Support:

- 01 The following color code establishes general meanings for 11 colors of a total of 13 colors that have been identified as being appropriate for use in conveying traffic control information. tolerance limits for each color are contained in 23 CFR Part 655, Appendix to Subpart F and are available at the Federal Highway Administration's MUTCD website at <http://mutcd.fhwa.dot.gov> or by writing to the FHWA, Office of Safety Research and Development (HRD-T-301), 6300 Georgetown Pike, McLean, VA 22101.
- 02 The two colors for which general meanings have not yet been assigned are being reserved for future applications that will be determined only by FHWA after consultation with the States, the engineering community, and the general public. The meanings described in this Section are of a general nature. More specific assignments of colors are given in the individual Parts of this Manual relating to each class of devices.

Standard:

- 03 The general meaning of the 13 colors shall be as follows:
  - A. Black—regulation
  - B. Blue—road user services guidance, tourist information, and evacuation route
  - C. Brown—recreational and cultural interest area guidance
  - D. Coral—unassigned
  - E. Fluorescent Pink—incident management
  - F. Fluorescent Yellow-Green—pedestrian warning, bicycle warning, playground warning, school bus and school warning
  - G. Green—indicated movements permitted, direction guidance
  - H. Light Blue—unassigned
  - I. Orange—temporary traffic control
  - J. Purple—lanes restricted to use only by vehicles with registered electronic toll collection (ETC) accounts
  - K. Red—stop or prohibition
  - L. White—regulation
  - M. Yellow—warning

### Section 1A.13 Definitions of Headings, Words, and Phrases in this Manual

Standard:

- 01 When used in this Manual, the text headings of Standard, Guidance, Option, and Support shall be defined as follows:
  - A. Standard—a statement of required, mandatory, or specifically prohibitive practice regarding a traffic control device. All Standard statements are labeled, and the text appears in bold type. The verb "shall" is typically used. The verbs "should" and "may" are not used in Standard statements. Standard statements are sometimes modified by Options.
  - B. Guidance—a statement of recommended, but not mandatory, practice in typical situations, with deviations allowed if engineering judgment or engineering study indicates the deviation to be appropriate. All Guidance statements are labeled, and the text appears in unbold type. The verb "should" is typically used. The verbs "shall" and "may" are not used in Guidance statements. Guidance statements are sometimes modified by Options.
  - C. Option—a statement of practice that is a permissive condition and carries no requirement or recommendation. Option statements sometime contain allowable modifications to a Standard or Guidance statement. All Option statements are labeled, and the text appears in unbold type. The verb "may" is typically used. The verbs "shall" and "should" are not used in Option statements.
  - D. Support—an informational statement that does not convey any degree of mandate, recommendation, authorization, prohibition, or enforceable condition. Support statements are labeled, and the text appears in unbold type. The verbs "shall," "should," and "may" are not used in Support statements.