



## PUBLIC WORKS

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### Temporary Traffic Control Device Inspection and Removal

Washington County staff frequently encounter temporary traffic control devices which remain in the field long after completion of the associated road or utility work. These devices can present hazards for pedestrians and vehicles, a nuisance for property owners, and an obstacle for County highway maintenance.

Temporary traffic control devices installed via permit in the Washington County Right of Way (ROW) shall be inspected daily to ensure proper placement. A temporary traffic control inspection report is available in the [2018 Minnesota Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices](#) (MN MUTCD) Field Manual. In the event Washington County determines that devices have been improperly placed, abandoned, or otherwise posing a hazard or nuisance, the devices may be removed and impounded by County staff, with potential fees assessed via the County's ROW ordinance or state statutes. These devices may be recycled at the County's discretion.

Device removal from the ROW shall occur no more than 7 days following the completion of a project. For projects with idle periods exceeding 7 days, device removal will be required until such time that the project resumes.

Washington County appreciates your cooperation in this matter by ensuring proper upkeep and timely removal of temporary traffic control devices.

Please feel free to contact us with any questions.

Thank you,

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