Purpose
To define the criteria and signing for Utah Department of Transportation (Department) Rest Areas, Rest Stops, and Tourist Information Centers.

Policy
Rest Areas will be signed according to the most recent edition of the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD).

Department approved Rest Stops are a Public and Private partnership for the benefit of freeway motorists and will be signed for using the following criteria:

1. Highway signs and highway sign maintenance will be provided by the Department.

2. The signs will have white legend and border on a blue background.

3. Signing for each direction of travel will include one sign before the first Advance guide sign, one sign before the Exit Directional guide sign, and trailblazing signs as required directing motorists to the Rest Stop.

4. The name of the participating entity will be shown only on the trailblazing signs and not on the freeway signs.

Tourist Information Centers will be signed according to the most recent edition of the MUTCD with the following additions:

1. Staffed for continuous operation eight hours a day, seven days a week. The tourist information sign will be covered or removed during the off-season if a tourist information center is operated on a seasonal basis.

2. The name of the operating agency will not be shown on any of the advance signing.
Procedures
Signing Rest Areas, Rest Stops, and Tourist Information Centers  UDOT 06C-34.1

Responsibility:  Region Director or Region Traffic Operations Engineer

Actions

1. Receive request for Rest Area, Rest Stop, or Tourist Information Center signing.

2. Review request for feasibility and compliance with the MUTCD and Policy 06C-34.

3. Coordinate the response with the Division of Planning and Programming if the request is for a Rest Stop.

4. Coordinate the request with the Division of Traffic and Safety as required by Policy 06C-21.

5. Create a work order when the decision is made to proceed with sign installation. Placement of signing will be coordinated with the date the facility is open for public use.

Responsibility:  Division of Traffic and Safety

6. Refer to Procedure 06C-21.1.

Responsibility:  Region or District Operations Engineer

7. Log in receipt of work order.

8. Schedule material, equipment, and personnel.

9. Review field location of installation with Region Traffic Operations Engineer, if required.

10. Record installation date.

11. Maintain record of installations. Refer to Policy 06C-21.