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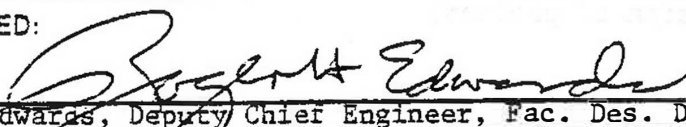
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When local road detours are needed to re-route traffic during project construction/reconstruction, the following procedure will be followed:

1. If the proposed detour requires improvement/repair to handle increased traffic, a detour resolution should be obtained from the local jurisdiction involved; an Official Order for temporary take-over must then be issued (in accord with Section 42 of the Highway Law), and the construction contract documents must specify necessary improvement/repair to be done and also specify Standard Specifications Subsection 619 maintenance of traffic on the detour during the period it is a temporary state highway. A letter from an appropriate local official is an acceptable substitute for the resolution. Resolution or letter should clearly state that the Department will maintain the detour road during period of use per Subsection 619 and that this excludes snow and ice control. The revised resolution shown on the back of this page will be included in the next revision of the Highway Design Manual.
2. Where no detour improvement to handle traffic is needed, the construction contract documents must specify necessary erection and maintenance of detour signs (in accord with Section 10, Subdivision 19 of the Highway Law). While no Official Order or supporting detour resolution is required, the local jurisdiction should be advised of our intent to use the local road detour and written concurrence should be obtained, as a matter of courtesy. It should be made clear to the local jurisdiction that the Department's maintenance responsibility on the detour road will be limited to the detour signs only. To fulfill the certification requirements of Section 104 of the Highway Law, the Regional Director must file a notice of state highway closure with the Town Clerk. This notice should describe the section closed and the temporary detour route, and can be conveniently filed concurrently with the "Notice of Restricted Highway" filing for the contract (pursuant to Section 104-a), to the same recipients.

When state highways are utilized for project detours, maintenance work will be performed by state forces, except that the contract documents must specify necessary erection and maintenance of detour signs.

DETOUR RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION # _____

WHEREAS, the New York State Department of Transportation proposes to reconstruct

(description of project)

WHEREAS, in conformance with Section 42 of the New York State Highway Law, the New York State Department of Transportation proposes to utilize the following roads and streets as detours during the period of necessity.

(description of local roads to be used as detour)

WHEREAS, the New York State Department of Transportation will provide for maintenance of the roadway during construction except for snow and ice control.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: that the (Board, Council, etc.) of the (City, Village, etc.) of _____ does hereby authorize the New York State Department of Transportation to utilize the above mentioned roads and streets as detours and maintain traffic on them in accordance with Subsection 619 of its Standard Specifications during the period of necessity.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that the (City, Village, etc.) of _____ will continue to provide snow and ice control for the above mentioned roads and streets.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that the clerk of this (Board or Council) is hereby directed to transmit five (5) certified copies of this resolution to the State Department of Transportation.