

PN 128 - 10/19/2007 - Unauthorized Lane Use:

The Contractor shall be assessed a Disincentive as designated in the Unauthorized Lane Use Table for each unit of time a Critical Lane/Ramp is closed by the Contractor's action while not otherwise permitted by the contract. The Unauthorized Lane Use Table is located in the Plan General Notes The Disincentive will be for any lane closures caused by the Contractor during times and locations not specifically permitted by this contract.

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Purpose and Benefits

The Unauthorized Lane Usage provision is similar to plan notes for traffic control that assess high dollar damages to very high volume critical areas. The provision establishes a Disincentive that is assessed if for any reason the Contractor closes, extends a lane closure into a non-allowed time or section, hourly or 15 minute intervals. The Disincentive is based on engineering analysis of delay and road user costs directly associated with the reduced capacity caused by lane reductions. The Disincentive amounts do not have to be the same amount for each roadway segment or ramp configuration. This note may be used in combination with other innovative contracting notes. Unplanned interruptions to traffic will be minimized, and the Contractor assessed proportionally if the method is set up properly. Unauthorized Lane Use provisions will allow the Department to minimize unforeseen lane closures in order to lessen the congestion time.

Criteria for Selection

- The project is a high profile project having significant user delays.
- The critical work areas are able to be completed in the times given, but road user costs escalate dramatically if the critical areas are closed during other times.

Project Types

Complex and high traffic volume projects – A construction project with areas that are critically important to remain unrestricted.

Encourages the Contractor to focus work on the highest priority lanes, and to not interrupt critical road segments.

Requirements / Conditions for use

A Prebid Meeting may be held at the Districts discretion.

Note Variables that must be filled in:

1. Unauthorized Lane Usage Table (Must be included in the Plans General Notes)
 - A. Description of Critical Lane/Ramp
 - B. Unit of Time
 - C. Disincentive

Note to be included in the Plan General Notes (with *sample language*):

Unauthorized Lane Use Table

Description of Critical Lane/Ramp to be maintained	Time Unit	Disincentive \$ per time unit
<i>2 Lanes of FRA IR 71 from MM99 to MM101</i>	<i>Each Hour</i>	<i>\$10,000</i>
<i>Ramp from IR 270 NB to SR 161 EB</i>	<i>Each 15 minutes</i>	<i>\$1000</i>