

DESIGN STANDARDS/PRACTICE EXCEPTION REQUEST SUMMARY

Title: Hwy 63:11/Hwy 63:12/ Hwy 686 Interchanges, 35 m High Mast Lighting Poles

Memorandum (or Approval) Date: December 21, 2012 Design Exception Request Date: December 19, 2012

Region: Ft. McMurray Approval Status: Approved

Project Location						
Highway	Control Section	At km	From km	To km	Existing AADT	
63	11/12		18.70	1.20	26000	

Project Type (Mark all that apply with an X)						
Functional Planning:	New Construction:	Reconstruction:	Paving/Surfacing:			
Bridge:	Operations:	Geotechnical:	Environmental:			
Other: Preliminary Design, Illumination X						

Summary

The design exception request is for a lighting design using proposed 35 m high mast light poles at the new interchanges at Hwy 63 / Hwy 686 and Hwy 686 / East Parsons Arterial in Ft. McMurray. The current department lighting standard for high mast structures is a pole height of 30 m.

Rationale for Approval/Rejection

- There is no significant difference in the routine maintenance practices between the 30 m and 35 m high mast poles.
- 35 m poles with 750W luminaries were determined by the consultant to be the most efficient with the lowest combined power and maintenance costs over a 30 year period.
- 35 m poles would not require any future lighting modifications or pole relocations to the mainline lighting system to accommodate future roadway widening.

Additional Mitigation Required				
None				
Key Words				
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Illumination				
Photograph/Diagram				



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