

DESIGN STANDARDS/PRACTICE EXCEPTION REQUEST SUMMARY

Title: Glenmore Trail & Deerfoot Trail Interchange, Use of Normal Crown on Horizontal Curve with R4000 and Design Speed of 110 km/hr

Memorandum Date: June 16, 2011

Design Exception Request Date: May 17, 2011

Region: Southern

Approval Status: Approved

Project Location							
Highway	Control Section	At km	From km	To km	Existing AADT		
2	15		24.104	26.678	121,440		

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

Summary

A request to use a normal crown along a horizontal curve with a radius of 4000m and a design speed of 110km/hr.

Rationale for Approval/Rejection

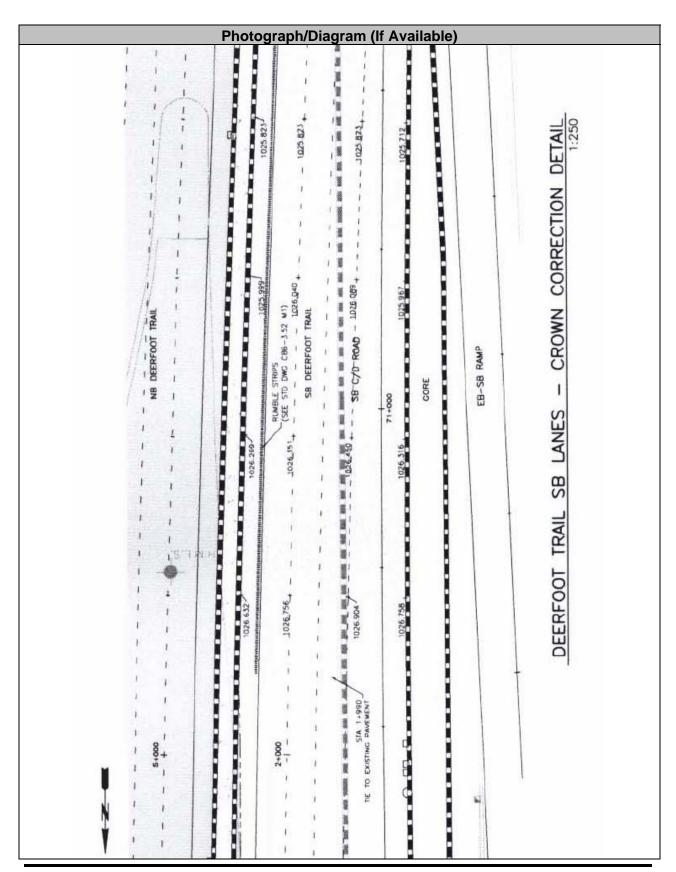
- The calculated side friction factor value for the normal crown is 0.0438 which is less than the maximum safe side friction factor of 0.10 for a design speed of 110 km/hr according to Alberta Transportation's Design Guide.
- Based on AASHTO's superelevation calculation Method 1, the minimum radius for a design speed of 110 km/hr with a normal crown is 3,500m which is less than the proposed 4000m radius for this curve.
- By applying the normal crown along this curve, the project cost savings will be \$90,020.
- No significant impacts or risks anticipated other than a slight risk of overdriving along the horizontal curve. Overdriving is being addressed with the addition of rumble strips

Additional Mitigation Required

Rumble strips will be installed along the inside shoulder of this curve.

Key Words

Friction factor, Normal crown, Horizontal curve,



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