

DESIGN STANDARDS/PRACTICE EXCEPTION REQUEST SUMMARY

Title: Accommodations for Reactor Transporter at Roundabout

Memorandum Date: November 14, 2011

Design Exception Request Date: October 25, 2011

Region: Central

Approval Status: Approved

Project Location						
Highway	Control Section	At km	From km	To km	Existing AADT	
2	20-22		34.3(2:20)	1.2(2:22)	26,010	
27	06-08		43.4(27:06)	1.1(27:08)	6,970	

Project Type (Mark all that apply with an X)					
Functional	New	Reconstruction:	Paving/Surfacing:		
Planning:	Construction:	Reconstruction.	Favilig/Surfacilig.		
Bridge:	Operations:	Geotechnical: Environmental:			
Other: X	Interchange reconfigura	tion from cloverleaf to dis	amond including 2 roundabouts		

Summary

Design Bulletin 68 (2010) stipulates that oversized vehicles (heavy hauler, platform trailer and the reactor transporter) shall be accommodated for all movements through the roundabout. The request is for exclusion of accommodating the reactor transporter at the proposed roundabouts at Highway 2/27 interchange ramp terminals for movements on and off (northbound and southbound) of Highway 2. The reactor transporter will still be accommodated east and westbound along Highway 27.

Rationale for Approval/Rejection

- A reactor transporter travelling at low speeds and wide loads on Highway 2 between Edmonton and Calgary would be a potential safety and operational concern due to high daily traffic volumes and high operating speeds along this corridor.
- Existing infrastructure on Highway 2, which includes interchanges, sign bridge structures, etc. between Calgary and Edmonton would be considered a constraint for reactor transporter vehicles.

	Additional Mitigation Required	
No mitigation is required.		

Key Words
Transporter reactor vehicle, roundabout, interchange ramp terminal, oversized vehicle

