

MISSOURI
HIGHWAY AND TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

Inter-Department Correspondence

January 8, 1987

SUBJECT MAINTENANCE AND TRAFFIC
Roadsides
Deer Kill (Disposal)

TO ALL DISTRICT ENGINEERS
DISTRICT #

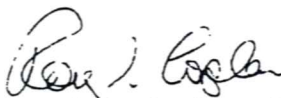
We have entered into an agreement with the Missouri Department of Conservation (MDOC) to provide them with information on road killed deer. In addition, provision was made for the disposal of deer carcasses in the same manner in which we routinely dispose of other road killed animals. A copy of the agreement is attached.

The MDOC has requested a very limited amount of information which they feel is essential to their statewide Deer Herd Management Program. In addition, certain information is needed for inclusion in our traffic accident data base. All the information needed has been included on the attached temporary form. A final form will be provided in the near future.

Each road killed deer encountered by Maintenance personnel is to be reported by radio and the information logged. The log sheets are to be forwarded to this office at the end of each month. The information will first be entered into our traffic accident computer file and then forwarded to the MDOC.

For the time being we will assume all costs associated with this program. However, in order to determine the magnitude of the cost and if reimbursement from the MDOC is warranted, a separate function is being established for use by field personnel disposing of the deer carcasses. You will be advised later of this code and the effective date for its use. However, in the interim, reporting and disposal is to be started immediately.

The requested information is very important to our safety analysis and essential to the MDOC Deer Herd Management Program. Your cooperation in expediting the implementation of this program would be greatly appreciated.



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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Between

Missouri Department of Conservation

And

Missouri Highway and Transportation Department

In the interest of efficient removal and disposal of deer killed on Missouri highways and roads, this cooperative agreement is adopted between the Missouri Department of Conservation and the Missouri Highway and Transportation Department.

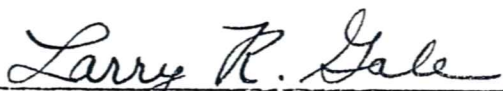
1. The Highway and Transportation Department will dispose of road killed deer in the same manner as other road killed animal carcasses.
2. Appropriate personnel of the Highway and Transportation Department will report all road killed deer to designated personnel within the Department of Conservation. Such reports may be made either by telephone or by forms provided by the Department of Conservation.
3. To avoid public criticism, no employee of the Department of Conservation or the Highway and Transportation Department may retain road killed deer or any parts of a road killed deer.

Following execution of this agreement, Department of Conservation personnel will meet with designated Highway and Transportation Department field personnel for the purpose of implementing the provisions of this Memorandum of Understanding.


This Memorandum of Understanding agreed to and adopted on 11 Sept 86.

MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF
CONSERVATION


MISSOURI HIGHWAY AND
TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT



DIRECTOR



CHIEF ENGINEER


APPROVED
BY GENERAL
COUNSEL

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