

616.8.38b (TA-38b) Lane Closure of Interior Lane on Multi-Lane Divided Highways - MT

SPEED Permanent Posted (mph)	SIGN SPACING (ft.)		TAPER LENGTH (ft.)		OPTIONAL BUFFER LENGTH (ft.) (B)	CHANNELIZER SPACING (ft.)	
	Undivided (S)	Divided (S)	Shoulder (1) (T1)	Lane (2) (T2)		Tapers	Buffer/ Work Areas
0-35	-	200	70	245	280	35	40
40-45	-	500	150	540	400	40	80
50-55	-	1000	185	660	560	50	80
60-70	-	SA - 1000 SB - 1500 SC - 2640	235	840	840	60	120

1 Shoulder taper length based on 10 ft. (standard shoulder width) offset. 2. Lane taper length based on 12 ft. (standard lane width) offset.

TYPE OF ROADWAY	SIGN HEIGHT	MAXIMUM WORK ZONE LENGTH (L)
URBAN	1' Portable 7' Post	1 Mi.
RURAL UNDIVIDED	1' Portable 7' Post	2 Mi.

- Channelizer
- Sign
- Truck or Trailer Mounted Arrow Panel
- 🚚 Protective Vehicle
- 🚚 Truck Mounted Attenuator (TMA)
- 🟩 Work Space
- 🚧 (Advanced Warning Rail System) For Long Term Operations

This typical application applies to lane closures of lane 3 of 5, lanes 3 or 4 of 6, and lanes 3 or 5 of 7.

A protective vehicle shall be used while work is in progress. The protective vehicle shall be equipped with a TMA and flashing arrow panel and positioned at least 150 ft. in advance of the work space.

As an alternative to initially closing the right two lanes, as shown in the typical application, the left two lanes may be closed with appropriate channelization and signs.

Supplemental warning methods may be used to call attention to the work zone.

For long-term operations, refer to EPG 616.6.2.2 Flags and Advance Warning Rail System.

For nighttime operations, review EPG 616.6.83 WARNING LIGHTS for use of sequential lights.

SEE EPG 616.12 WORK ZONE SPEED LIMITS FOR SPEED LIMIT GUIDELINES.

