



THE STATE  
of **ALASKA**  
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## Department of Transportation and Public Facilities

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Dear Candidate:

With campaign season underway, the State of Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (DOT&PF) reminds all candidates that State and Federal laws prohibit placing signs within DOT&PF-managed right of ways. Since candidates and their volunteers may not realize the legal limitations, nor understand where right-of-way boundaries are located, we encourage you to refer to our website for additional information: <http://dot.alaska.gov/stwddes/dcsrow/campaignsigns.shtml>.

Signs within State highway right of ways increase safety risks for the public as they impair visibility; distract drivers; obstruct safe movement of motorists, bicyclists, and pedestrians; impose crash hazards; and delay or restrict maintenance activities. As DOT&PF identifies noncompliant signs, we will continue our required practice of removing them from right of ways--regardless of their content--without notice. DOT&PF schedules removals as resources allow, prioritizing objects that impact visibility or movement near key areas, such as intersections or driveways.

Please keep in mind this prohibition does not apply to the display of small, temporary signs, located on private property and outside DOT&PF right of ways. These signs must be less than 32 square feet (generally 4 feet by 8 feet) and must be located on private property by the owner or occupant without compensation.

We have attached AS 19.25.075-AS 19.25.015 and 17 AAC 20.012 for more detailed information regarding outdoor advertising in DOT&PF-managed right of ways. Our staff is available to discuss the legal placement of signs. If you have questions or if you would like to recover a sign you believe DOT&PF impounded, please contact your DOT&PF regional office at the numbers listed below.

- Central Region Right of Way, Anchorage Office, 907.269.0700
- Northern Region Right of Way, Fairbanks Office, 907.451.5400
- Southcoast Region Right of Way, Juneau Office, 907.465.4499

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "H. O'Claray".

H. O'Claray  
Statewide Real Estate/Right-of-Way Chief

*"Keep Alaska Moving through service and infrastructure."*