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Press Release

## **Campaign Signs and Highway Right-of-Ways**

**Santa Fe-** Santa Fe - The New Mexico Department of Transportation (NMDOT) wants to remind political campaigns about the public safety issue regarding placing campaign signs and posters in state highway right-of-ways.

State highway right-of-ways mean all roads, patrol yards and rest areas owned, controlled or maintained by the NMDOT. The term "road" means the entire width of the right of way, including, but not limited to travel lanes, roadside, shoulder, median, ditches, culverts, ramps, turnouts and easements.

Signs in these areas are a public safety issue because they can impede a driver's visibility as well as distract them from existing legal traffic signs.

Signs and posters placed in state highway right-of-ways will be removed by the NMDOT and stored at the department's district headquarters or at the local patrol yard for no longer than two weeks where they can be retrieved during normal business hours.

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