212 Intersections

212.1 General

This chapter provides design criteria and guidance for the geometric layout of at-grade conventional intersections. Conventional intersections include 3-leg (T), 4-leg, and Multi-leg (5 or more legs).

Multi-leg conventional intersections should be avoided. Alternatives to existing multi-leg intersections include:

- (1) Converting to a roundabout.
- (2) Converting one or more legs to a one-way operation
- (3) Reconfiguring or realigning the intersection to create separate intersections, each with no more than four legs.

See *FDM 201* for design vehicle selection and design speed requirements.

See *FDM 210* for lane width, median width, island dimensions, and deflection angle requirements.

See *FDM 222* for requirements concerning pedestrian facilities and *FDM 223* for bicycle facilities.

212.1.1 Alternative Intersections

Alternative intersection design is a key component of upgrading our transportation facilities and improving the mobility and safety of all road users. These innovative designs are becoming more common as increasing traffic demand exceed the limitations of traditional intersection solutions.

Alternative intersections offer the potential to improve safety and reduce delay at lower cost and with fewer impacts than traditional solutions such as adding lanes or grade separation. Three of the more common alternative intersection types are:

- Displaced Left Turn (a.k.a. Continuous Flow Intersection)
- Restricted Crossing U-Turn (RCUT)
- Median U-Turn (MUT)

The FHWA has published comprehensive informational guides for alternative intersections which include guidance on how to plan, design, construct, and operate them. The following links provide access to these guides: *FHWA Alternative Designs* and *Alternative Intersections/Interchanges: Informational Report (AIIR)*.

These types of alternate intersection designs should be coordinated with the Central Office Roadway Design.

212.1.2 Intersection Control Evaluation

Intersection Control Evaluation (ICE) is a process to determine the most effective intersection configuration for a specified project. Through ICE, multiple alternative and conventional intersection configurations are compared to one another based on safety, operations, cost, and environmental impacts. The ICE procedure provides a transparent and consistent approach to intersection alternatives selection and provides documentation to support decisions made.

ICE policy and procedure is published on the FDOT Traffic Engineering and Operations Office website at the following Link: <u>Manual on Intersection Control Evaluation</u>.

212.2 Intersection Control

Conventional intersections utilize one of four control types; yield, stop, all-way stop and signal.

212.2.1 Yield Control

Certain channelized movements at intersections and interchanges, and all approaches to roundabouts are often yield controlled. Refer to the <u>Manual on Uniform Traffic Control</u> <u>Devices</u> (**MUTCD**) for information on the locations where yield control traffic control devices may be appropriate.

212.2.2 Stop Control

Stop-controlled intersections have one or more legs of the intersection controlled by a "STOP" sign (R1-1).

Intersections with stop control are a common, low-cost control, which require the traffic on the minor roadway to stop before entering the major roadway. It is used where

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application of the normal R/W rule is not appropriate for certain approaches at the intersection.

To meet the requirements for the assigned access classification, or where U-turn opportunities exist within a corridor, consider limiting stop controlled minor roads or driveways to "right-in, right-out" only.

212.2.3 All-Way Stop Control

For an all-way stop intersection, traffic approaching it from all directions is required to stop before proceeding through the intersection. An all-way stop may have multiple approaches and typically marked with a supplemental signing stating the number of approaches.

All-way stop control is most effective at the intersection of low-speed, 2-lane roadways not exceeding 1,400 vehicles during the peak hour. All-way stop control should not be used on multilane highways. Guidance for consideration of the application of all-way stop control is provided in the *MUTCD*.

All-way stop control may be used as an interim measure when a traffic signal or roundabout is warranted, but the installation is delayed.

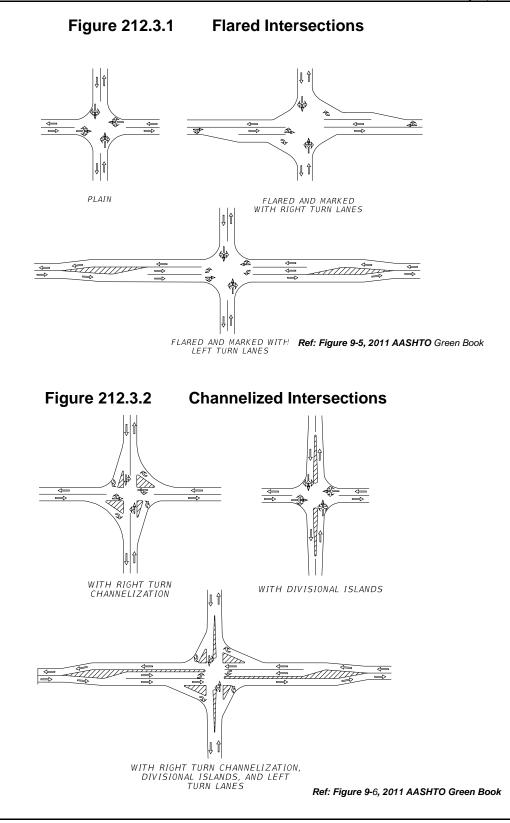
212.2.4 Signal Control

Signalization provides an orderly and predictable movement of motorized and nonmotorized traffic throughout the highway transportation system. It also provides guidance and warnings to ensure the safe and informed operation of the traffic stream.

Refer to *FDM 232* for design criteria for signalization.

212.3 Intersection Types

Conventional intersection configurations include flared and channelized intersections (divided and undivided). Flared intersections are illustrated in *Figure 212.3.1* and channelized intersections in *Figure 212.3.2*. See *FDM 210.3* for median and island requirements.



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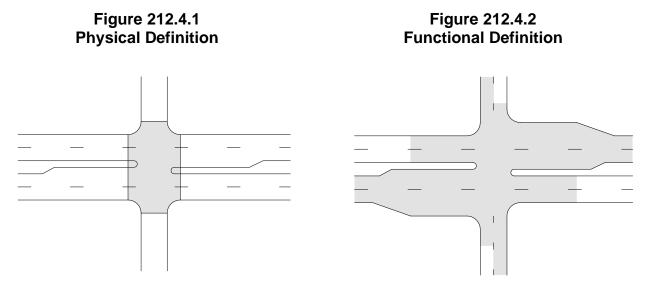
212.4 Intersection Functional Area

The functional area of an intersection extends in both directions including auxiliary lanes and their associated channelization. This is illustrated in *Figures 212.4.1* and *212.4.2*.

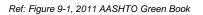
The functional area on the approach to an intersection or driveway consists of three basic elements:

- (1) Perception-reaction-decision distance
- (2) Maneuver distance
- (3) Queue-storage distance (see *FDM 212.14.2*)

These elements are shown in *Figure 212.4.3*. The maneuver distance includes the length needed for both braking and lane changing when there is a left or right turning lane. In the absence of turn lanes, the maneuver distance is the distance to brake to a comfortable stop. The storage length includes the most distant extent of any intersection-related queue expected to occur during the design period.



Ref: Figure 9-1, 2011 AASHTO Green Book



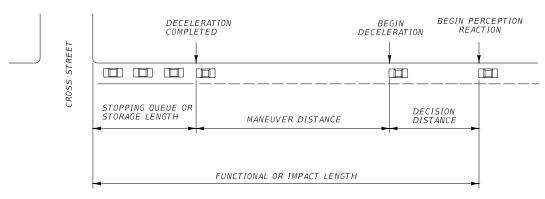


Figure 212.4.3 Elements of the Functional Area

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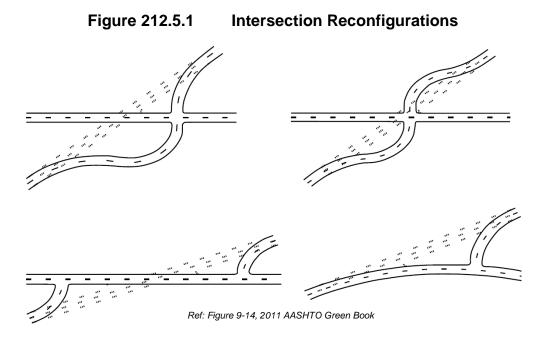
212.5 Intersection Angle

The intersection angle between two roadways has a significant influence on the safety and operation of an intersection. Intersection angles are to be as close to 90 degrees as practical. Intersection angles less than 75 degrees should be avoided for the following reasons:

- (1) Heavy skew angles increase the intersection crossing length, exposing vehicles, pedestrians, and cyclists to conflicting traffic streams for longer periods of time. This is of particular concern at stop-controlled approaches on high-speed facilities.
- (2) The road user's sight angle to the crossing leg becomes restricted due to the skew, making it difficult to see conflicting vehicles and to perceive safe crossing gaps.
- (3) Turning movements are difficult because of the skew. Additional pavement may be necessary to accommodate the turning of large trucks.
- (4) Turning movements or positioning may be confusing and require additional channelization.
- (5) Increased open pavement areas of highly skewed intersections increase construction and maintenance costs.

Evaluate intersections with severe skew angles and crash histories for geometric improvements as shown in *Figure 212.5.1*. A high incidence of right-angle crashes is an indicator that improvements may be justified.

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212.6 Lane Tapers

Standard taper lengths for auxiliary lanes are given in *FDM 212.14*. Taper length is based on the following equations:

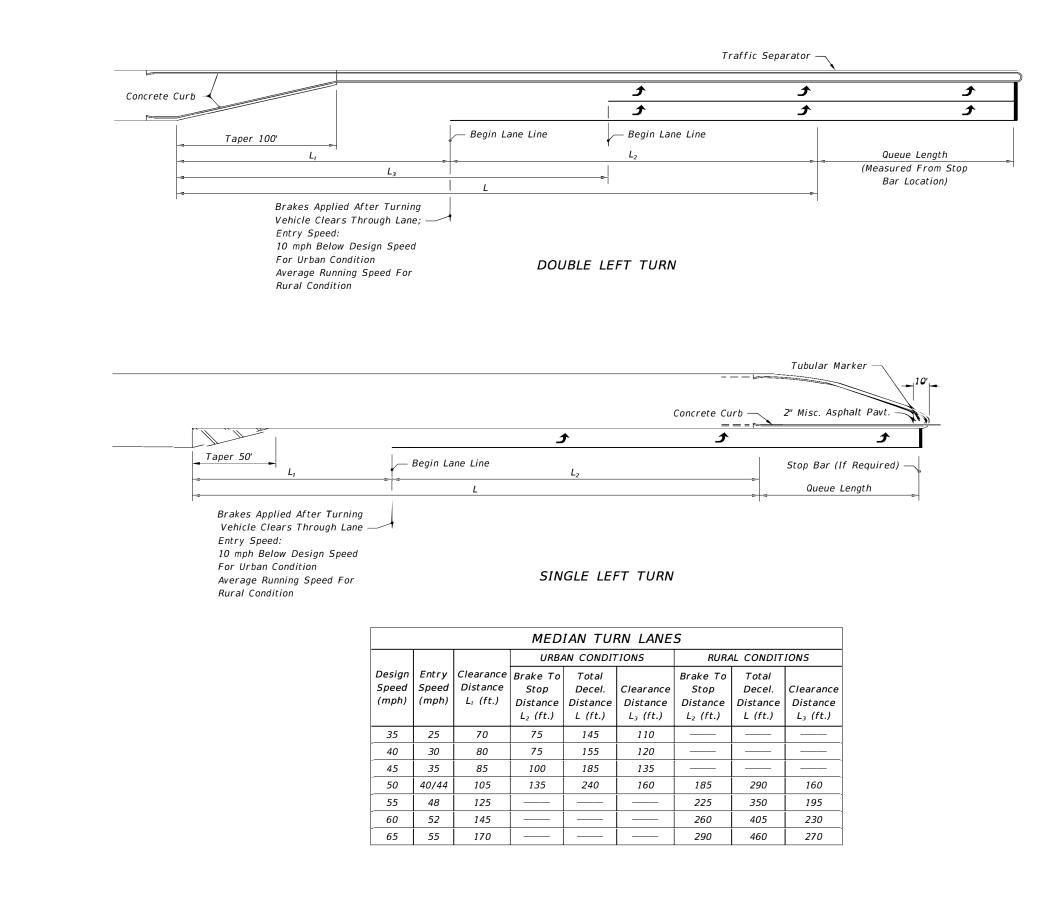
- (1) Merging Taper (L):
 - (a) For design speeds ≤ 40 mph: L = (W*S²)/60
 - (b) For design speeds \geq 45 mph: L = W*S

Where: L = Taper length (feet) W = Width of offset (feet) S = Design speed (mph)

(2) Shifting Taper is equal to Merging Taper (L) / 2.

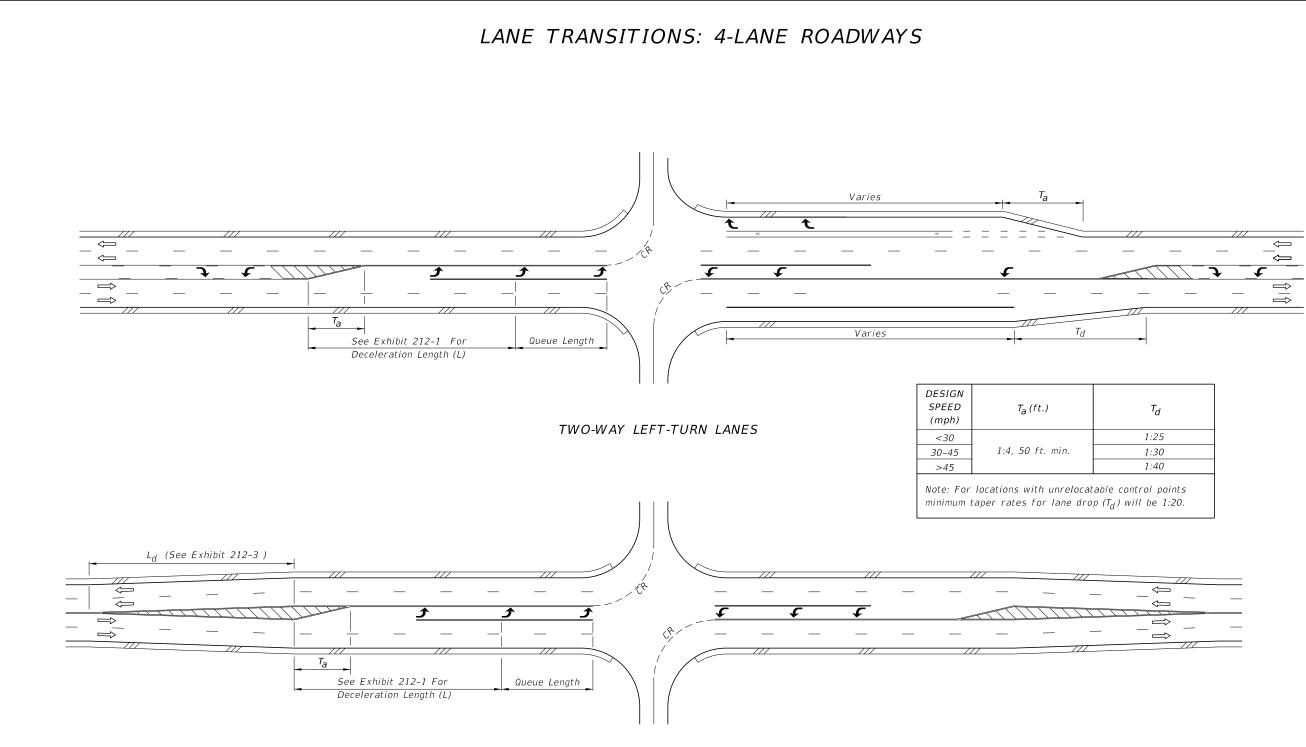
Minimum deceleration lengths are illustrated in *Exhibit 212-1*. Additional information on lane transitions (add or drop) are provided in *Exhibits 212-2* and *212-3*.

MEDIAN TURN LANES MINIMUM DECELERATION LENGTHS



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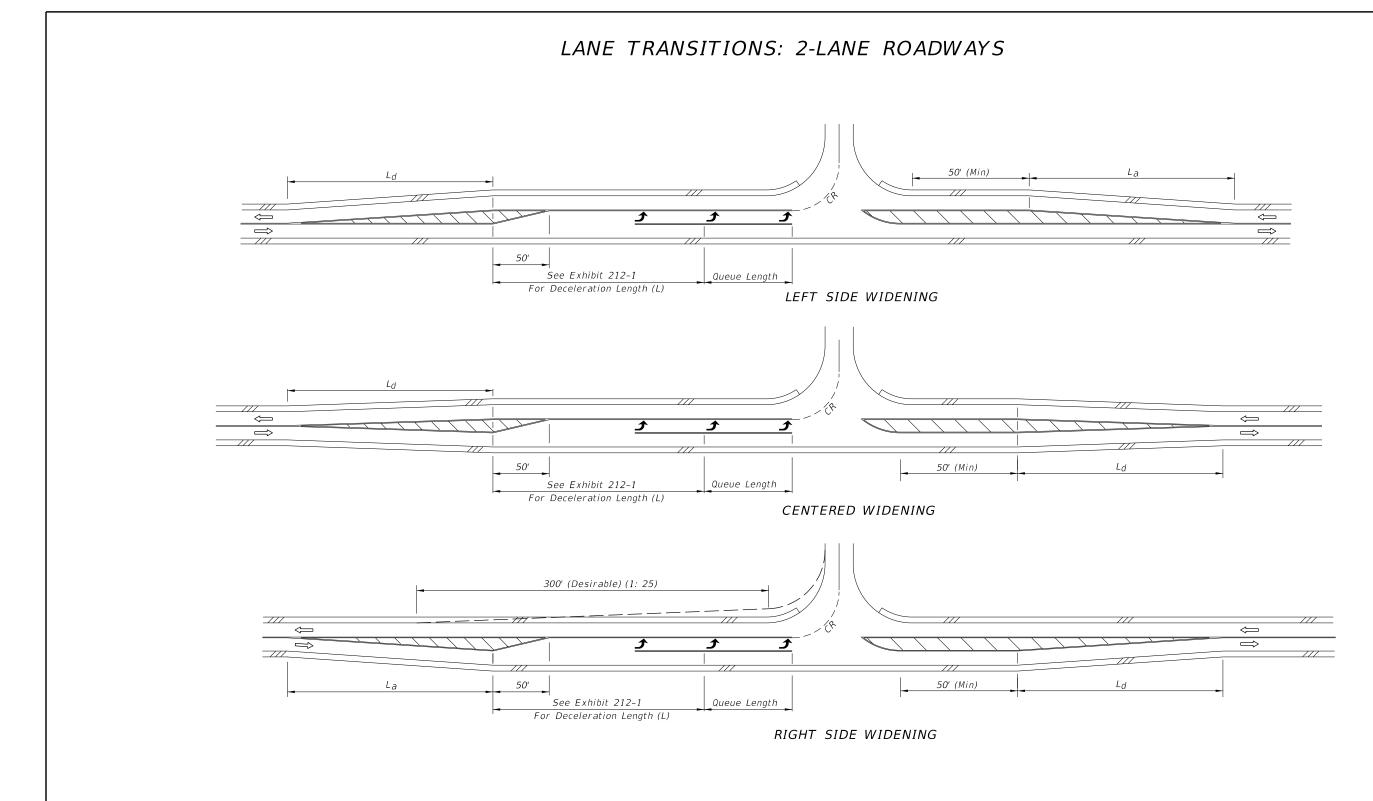


UNDIVIDED FLARED - SYMMETRICAL

T_{d}
1:25
1:30
1:40
e control points T _d) will be 1:20.

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FLARED & PAINTED LEFT TURNS FOR 2-LANE ROADWAYS

DESIGN	L _a (Ft.)			L _d (Ft.)
SPEED	STANDARD	MINIMUM UNDER	STANDARD	MINIMUM UNDER
(mph)	STANDARD	CONSTRAINTS	STANDARD	CONSTRAINTS
30	180	120	180	120
40	320	150	240	150
50	500	180	360	180
60	720	240	480	240

NOT TO SCALE

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212.7 Lane Shifts

Lane shifts through intersections should meet the requirements for non-merging conditions. Pavement markings should be used through the intersection to provide positive guidance to the motorist. The shifting taper length is controlled by the size of the intersection and the deflection angle. Although deflections through intersections are discouraged, there may be conditions where they are necessary.

The maximum deflection angles at intersections to be used in establishing the horizontal alignment are given in *Table 212.7.1*.

Maximum Deflection Angle Through Intersection (DM)							
Design Speed (mph)							
≤ 20	20 25 30 35 40 45						
16° 00'	11° 00'	8° 00'	6° 00'	5° 00'	3° 00'		
bar.	LANE SHII	-7		TION THROUGH ERSECTION			
DEFLECTI 	ON ANGLE			DEFLECTION ANGLE Δ			

Table 212.7.1Maximum Deflection Angle Through Intersection

212.8 Profile Grades

The profile grade line defines the vertical alignment for construction. The grade line of the mainline road is typically carried through the intersection and the minor crossroad (or cross street) is adjusted to it. This design involves a transition in the crown of the crossroad to an inclined cross section at its junction with the mainline road, as illustrated in *Figure 212.8.1*.

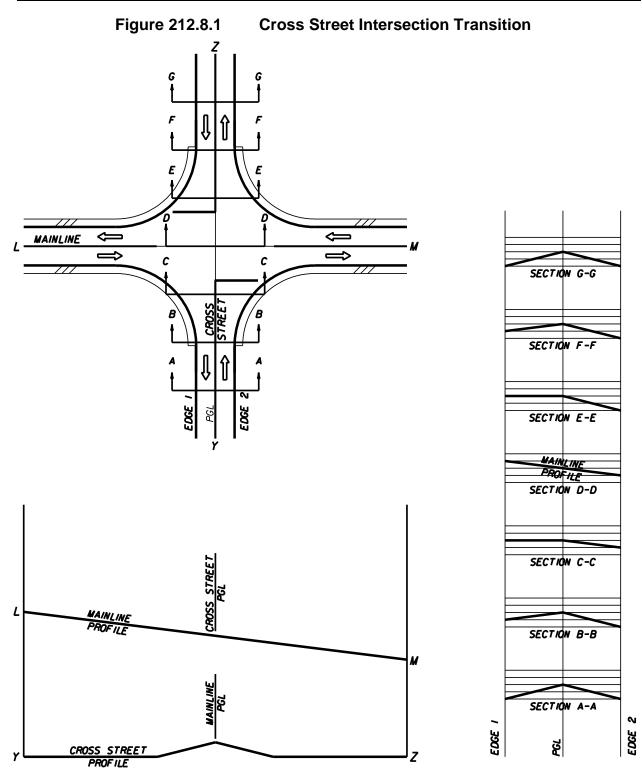
The break in the crossroad profile at the center of the intersection should be accomplished with a vertical curve.

Vertical alignments at or near intersections should provide traffic lanes that are:

- (1) Clearly visible and understandable to drivers for any desired direction of travel,
- (2) Free from sudden appearance of potential conflicts, and
- (3) Consistent in design with the portions of the highway just traveled.

Steep grades at intersections may increase or decrease stopping or acceleration distance. Avoid grades in excess of 3% on intersecting roads in the vicinity of the intersection. Where conditions make such designs impractical, grades should not exceed 6%.

Provide adequate sight distance along both intersecting roads and across their included corners, even where one or both intersecting roads are on vertical curves. The gradients of intersecting roads should be as flat as practical on those sections that are to be used for storage of stopped vehicles.



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212.8.1 Special Profiles

Special profiles for certain roadway elements may be necessary to ensure a safe, efficient, well-drained and smooth roadway system. Elements that may require special profiles include pavement edges or gutter flow lines at street intersections, profile grade lines, intersection plateaus, curb returns, and special superelevation details. Special profiles are developed at close intervals and large scale to clearly identify all construction details of these elements.

212.8.2 Plateauing

In some instances, it is desirable for the crossroad to receive the same profile considerations as the mainline road. To provide this "equal treatment", with respect to profile, a technique commonly known as intersection plateauing is applied. Plateauing refers to flattening of the intersection and the transition of both roadway profiles and cross slopes on the intersection approaches.

Provide a profile combination that provides a smooth transition and adequate drainage when applying intersection plateauing. Transition slope rates are to meet the values provided in **Table 212.8.1**; however, the minimum length of cross slope transition is 50 feet for design speeds less than or equal to 35 mph and 75 feet for design speeds of 40 mph or greater.

An example of a plateaued intersection is illustrated in *Figure 212.8.2*.

Design Speed (mph)	Slope Ratio
25-35	1:100
40	1:125
45-50	1:150
55-60	1:170
65-70	1:190

Table 212.8.1 Slope Rates for Intersection Approaches

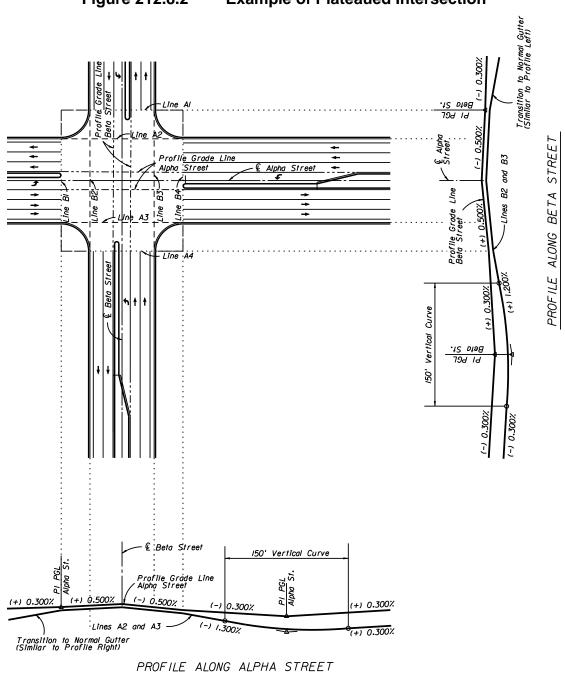


Figure 212.8.2 Example of Plateaued Intersection

212.9 Median Openings

Locate and design median openings to meet traffic requirements in accordance with the access management plan for the facility. See *FDM 201.4* for more information on access management plans and decision making.

See FDM 210.3 for additional requirements for medians at intersections.

The following conditions may require additional median width:

- accommodation for trees (provide space above and below ground for growth)
- offset turn lanes
- directional median openings
- dual and triple left turn lanes

The overall length of a full median opening is typically the same width as the intersecting road (including shoulders) which is sufficient to accommodate the swept path of left turning vehicles. Median functions and minimum widths are provided in **Table 212.9.1**.

For un-signalized intersections, median openings should not be longer than the required length to avoid multiple vehicles attempting to stop within the opening.

Median Function	Minimum Width (feet)
Separation of opposing traffic	4
Provision for pedestrian refuge	6
Provision for storage of left-turning vehicles	See Table 210.3.1
Provision for protection of vehicles crossing through lanes	22
Provision for U-turns, left turn lane to outside lanes	30
Provision for Dual Left Turn Lanes and U Turns	42

	Table 212.9.1	Minimum	Median	Width
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The control radius refers to a radius that must be considered in establishing the location of median or traffic separator ends on divided highways and the stop bar on undivided highways. Provide this radius for left-turn movements when appropriate.

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Design guidance on minimum edge-of-traveled-way design for various design vehicles is provided in *FDM 212.12.1*.

For the central part of the turn the use of compound curves is not necessary and the use of simple curves is satisfactory. Table 212.9.2 provides control radii for minimum-speed turns (10 to 15 mph) that can be used for establishing the location of the median ends.

Design Vehicles Accommodated	Control Radius (feet)						
Accommodated	50 (40 min)	60 (50 min)	75	130			
Predominant	Р	SU-30	SU-40, WB-40	WB-62FL			
Occasional	SU-30	SU-40, WB-40	WB-62	WB-67			

Table 212.9.2 **Control Radii for Minimum Speed Turns**

212.9.1 **U-Turns**

Median width should accommodate passenger vehicle (P) left-turn and U-turn maneuvers. If adequate median width does not exist for accommodating U-turns, then consider adding extra pavement width such as a taper or additional shoulder width. See FDM 210.3 for information on median width criteria.

In cases where U-turn traffic volumes are high, consider the use of jug handles, loop designs, or indirect left turn designs.

212.10 **Stopping Sight Distance**

See *FDM 210.11.1* for stopping sight distance requirements.

212.11 **Clear Sight Triangles**

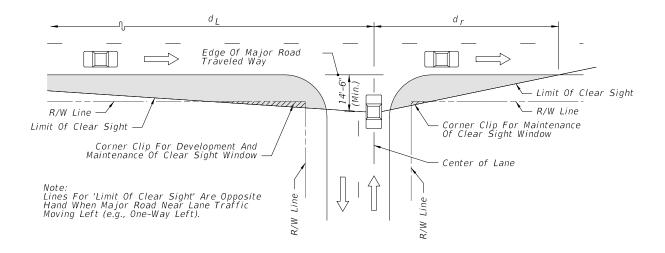
Establish clear sight triangles to assure that drivers are provided a sufficient view of the intersecting highway to identify gaps in traffic and decide when it is safe to proceed. Document the analysis of sight distance for all intersections.

Clear sight triangles are the areas along intersection approach legs and across their common corners that should be clear of visual hindrances. Dimensions of clear sight triangles are based on design speed, design vehicle, and the type of traffic control used at the intersection.

212.11.1 Stop Control (AASHTO Case B)

Figure 212.11.1 illustrates clear sight triangles for intersections and driveways.

Figure 212.11.1 Clear Sight Triangles



The minimum driver-eye setback of 14.5 feet from the edge of the traveled way may be adjusted on any intersection leg only when justified by a documented, site-specific field study of vehicle stopping position and driver-eye position.

Exhibits 212-4 through **212-7** provide intersection sight distances for stop controlled intersections. The tables in the exhibits provide sight distance values for Passenger vehicles, Single Unit (SU) Trucks, and Combination vehicles for design speeds ranging from 30 mph to 65 mph. Intersection sight distance based on Passenger vehicles is suitable for most intersections; however, consider the values for SU Vehicles or Combination vehicles for intersections with high truck volumes.

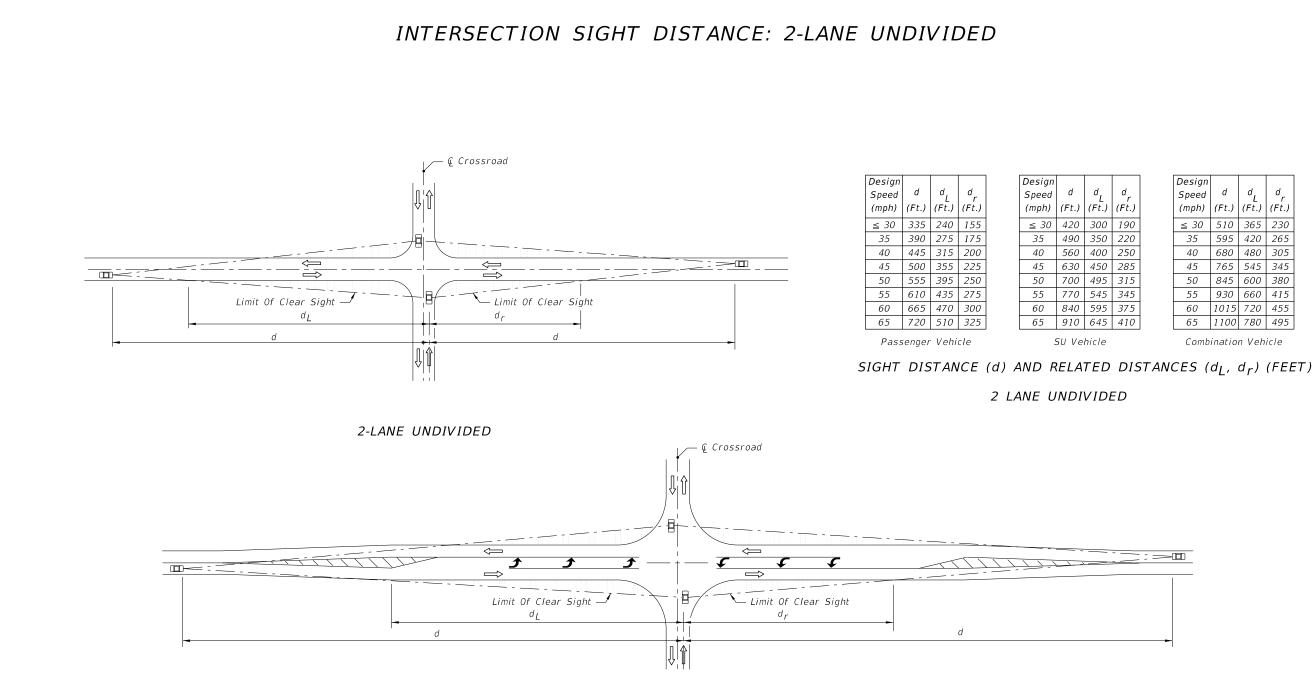
The following guidance applies to *Exhibits 212-4* through 212-7:

- (1) Limitations
 - (a) The exhibits apply to intersections in all context classifications with stop control or flashing beacon control.
 - (b) The exhibits apply only to intersections with intersecting angles between 60° and 120°, and where vertical and horizontal curves are not present.

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(2) Dimensions

- (a) Sight distance (d) is measured from the center of the entrance lane of the crossroad to the center of the near approach lane (right or left) of the highway.
- (b) Distances 'd_L' and 'd_r' are measured from the centerline of the entrance lane of the crossroad to a point on the edge of the near side outer traffic lane on the highway.
- (c) Distance 'd_m' is measured from the centerline of the entrance lane of the crossroad to a point on the median clear zone limit or horizontal clearance limit for the far side road of the highway.
- (3) Vertical limits
 - (a) Provide a clear sight window throughout the limits of all intersection sight triangles.
 - (b) Provide a clear line of sight between vehicles at intersection stop locations and vehicles on the highway throughout the limits of all intersection sight triangles.
 - (c) The reference datum between roadways is 3'-6" above respective pavements since observations are made in both directions along the line of sight.



2-LANE WITH LEFT TURN LANE

				1					1				
Design					Design					Design			
Speed	d	ď	d r		Speed	d	ď	d r		Speed	d	ďL	d r
(mph)	(Ft.)	(Ft.)	(Ft.)		(mph)	(Ft.)	(Ft.)	(Ft.)		(mph)	(Ft.)	(Ft.)	(Ft.)
≤ 30	355	195	135		≤ 30	450	250	170		≤ 30	540	295	205
35	415	230	160		35	525	290	200		35	630	345	240
40	475	260	180		40	600	330	230		40	720	395	275
45	530	290	200		45	675	370	255		45	810	445	305
50	590	325	225		50	750	410	285		50	900	495	340
55	650	355	245		55	825	455	315		55	990	545	375
60	710	390	270		60	900	495	340		60	1080	590	410
65	765	420	290		65	975	535	370		65	1170	640	440
Pass	enger	Vehi	cle			SU Ve	hicle			Comb	inatio	n Veh	icle

SIGHT DISTANCE (d) AND RELATED DISTANCES (d_L, d_r) (FEET)

NOTE: 1. See Figure 212.11.1 for origin of clear sight line on the minor road.

2-LANE WITH LEFT TURN

.)	d r (Ft.)	Design Speed (mph)	d (Ft.)	d L (Ft.)	d r (Ft.)
0	190	<u>≤</u> 30	510	365	230
0	220	35	595	420	265
0	250	40	680	480	305
0	285	45	765	545	345
5	315	50	845	600	380
5	345	55	930	660	415
5	375	60	1015	720	455
5	410	65	1100	780	495

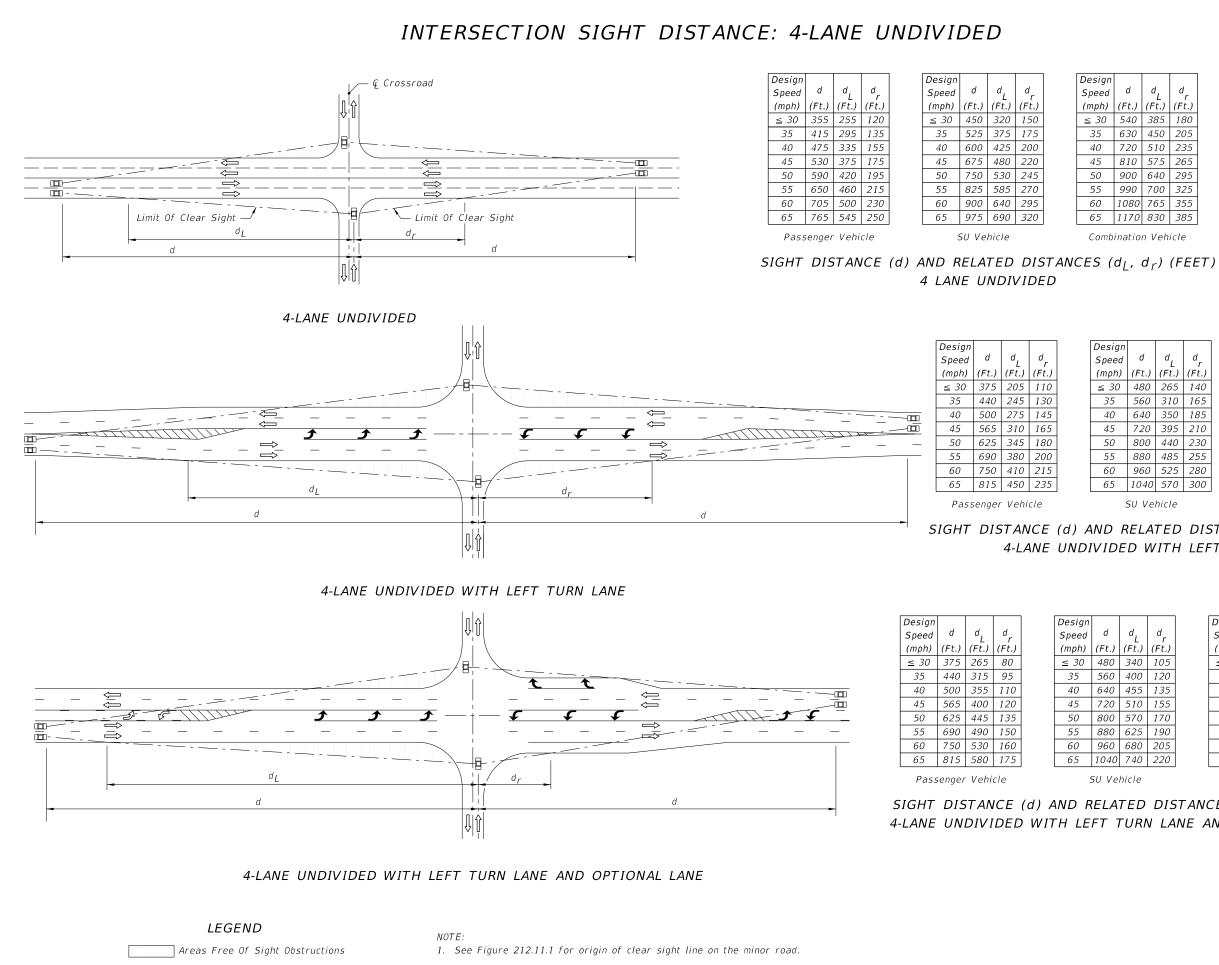
Combination Vehicle

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Areas Free Of Sight Obstructions

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n			
1	d	d_L	d
	(Ft.)	(Ft.)	(Ft.)
	540	385	180
	630	450	205
	720	510	235
	810	575	265
	900	640	295
	990	700	325
	1080	765	355
	1170	830	385

Combination Vehicle

sign			
eed	d	d	d r
ph)	(Ft.)	(Ft.)	(Ft.)
30	480	265	140
35	560	310	165
10	640	350	185
15	720	395	210
50	800	440	230
55	880	485	255
50	960	525	280
55	1040	570	300
		hiclo	

Design			
Speed	d	d,	d r
(mph)	(Ft.)	(Ft.)	(Ft.)
<i>≤ 30</i>	570	315	165
35	665	365	195
40	760	420	220
45	855	470	245
50	950	520	275
55	1045	575	300
60	1140	625	330
65	1235	675	355

SU Vehicle

Combination Vehicle

SIGHT DISTANCE (d) AND RELATED DISTANCES (d_l , d_r) (FEET) 4-LANE UNDIVIDED WITH LEFT TURN LANE

.)	d (Ft.)	d r (Ft.)
.) '0	340	105
0	400	120
0	455	135
0	510	155
0	570	170
0	625	190
0	680	205
40	740	220
40	740	220

Design			
Speed	d	^d L	d r
(mph)	(Ft.)	(Ft.)	(Ft.)
<u>≤</u> 30	570	405	125
35	665	470	145
40	760	540	165
45	855	605	185
50	950	675	205
55	1045	740	225
60	1140	810	245
65	1235	875	265

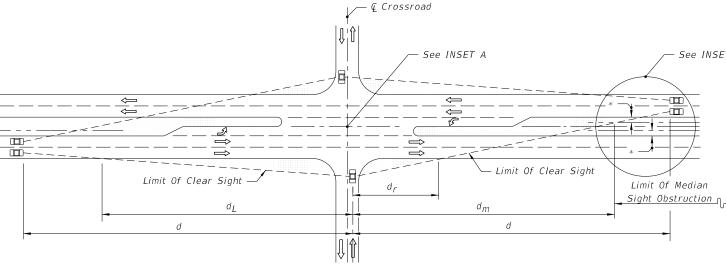
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SIGHT DISTANCE (d) AND RELATED DISTANCES (d_l, d_r) (FEET) 4-LANE UNDIVIDED WITH LEFT TURN LANE AND OPTIONAL LANE

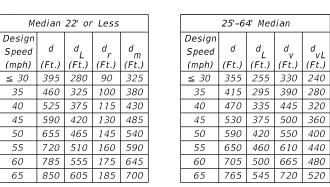
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INTERSECTION SIGHT DISTANCE: 4-LANE DIVIDED



4-LANE DIVIDED



Passenger Vehicle

Median 35' or Less					
Design					
Speed	d	ď	d r	d m	
(mph)	(Ft.)	(Ft.)	(Ft.)	(Ft.)	
≤ 30	540	385	110	460	
35	630	450	125	535	
40	720	510	145	615	
45	810	575	160	685	
50	900	640	180	760	
55	990	700	195	840	
60	1080	765	215	915	
65	1170	830	230	990	

Design

Speed

d

40'-64' Median						
Design						
Speed	d	d,	d _v	d _{vL}		
(mph)	(Ft.)	(Ft.)	(Ft.)	(Ft.)		
<i>≤ 30</i>	450	320	420	330		
35	525	375	490	385		
40	600	425	560	440		
45	675	480	630	490		
50	750	530	700	545		
55	825	585	770	600		
60	900	640	840	655		
65	975	690	910	710		

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Median 30' or Less					
Design					
Speed	d	d,	d r	d m	
(mph)	(Ft.)	(Ft.)	(Ft.)	(Ft.)	
<i>≤ 30</i>	615	435	120	520	
35	720	510	140	605	
40	820	580	160	690	
45	925	655	180	780	
50	1025	725	200	860	
55	1130	800	220	950	
60	1230	870	240	1035	
65	1335	945	260	1120	

55	825	585	770	600
60	900	640	840	655
65	975	690	910	710
nicle				
	35'-5	0' Mea	lian	
Design				
Design Speed	35'-5 d		lian d	d _m
-		O' Mea d L (Ft.)		d m (Ft.)
Speed	d	dL	d _r	m
Speed (mph)	d (Ft.)	d L (Ft.)	d r (Ft.)	т (Ft.)

64 Median					
Design					
Speed	d	ďL	d _v	d vL	
(mph)	(Ft.)	(Ft.)	(Ft.)	(Ft.)	
<i>≤ 30</i>	540	385	510	435	
35	630	450	595	500	
40	720	510	680	575	
45	810	575	760	645	
50	900	640	845	720	
55	990	700	930	790	
60	1080	765	1015	865	
65	1165	825	1100	935	

Combined Vehicles

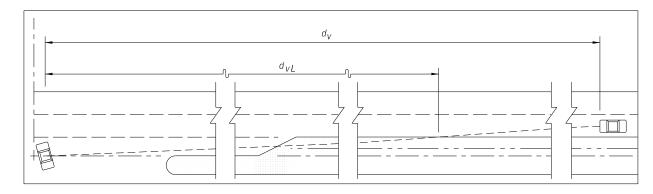
45 1000 710 155 875 50 1110 790 170 970

55 1225 870 190 1070

60 1335 945 205 1165

65 1445 1025 225 1265

SIGHT DISTANCES (d) & (d,) AI	ID RELATED DISTANCES (d_L , d_r , d_m &	d _{VL})(FEET)



Where The Median Is Sufficiently Wide For The Design Vehicle To Pause In The Median (Vehicle Length Plus 6' Min.) The Clear Line Of Sight To The Right (d_V) Is Measured From The Vehicle Pause Location, i.e., Not From The Cross Road Stop Position; Distances dr & dm Do Not Apply.

INSET A

Vehicle Length (Ft.)

19

30

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45.5

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Vehicle Type

Passenger (P)

Single Unit (SU)

Large School Bus

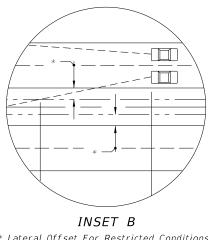
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- - Minor Road.

- See INSET B





* Lateral Offset For Restricted Conditions Clear Zone For Nonrestricted Conditions

NOTES FOR 4-LANE DIVIDED ROADWAY

1. See Figure 212.11.1 for origin of clear sight line on the minor road.

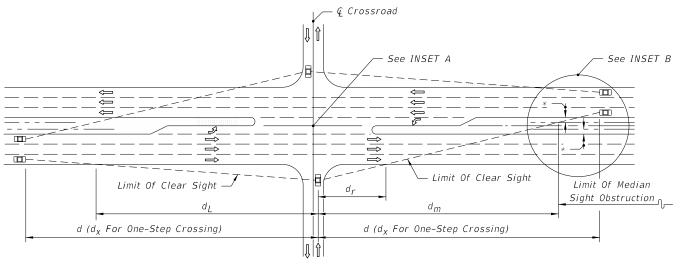
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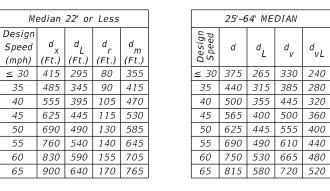
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EXHIBIT 212-6 Areas Free Of Sight Obstructions 01/01/2018

INTERSECTION SIGHT DISTANCE: 6-LANE DIVIDED



6-LANE DIVIDED



Passenger Vehicle

Median 35' or Less								
Design	Design							
Speed	d	d,	d r	d m				
(mph)	(Fť.)	(Ft.)	(Ft.)	(Ft.)				
<u>≤</u> 30	570	405	90	495				
35	665	665 470 105 580						
40	760	540	120	660				
45	855	605	135	745				
50	955	675	155	830				
55	1050	745	170	915				
60	1145	810	185	995				
65	1240	880	200	1080				

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	40'-6	4' Mea	lian	
Design				
Speed	d	ďL	d v	d vL
(mph)	(Ft.)	(Ft.)	(Ft.)	(Ft.)
<u>≤</u> 30	480	340	420	330
35	560	400	490	385
40	640	455	560	440
45	720	510	630	490
50	805	570	700	545
55	885	625	770	600
60	965	685	840	665
65	1045	740	910	710

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SU Vehicle

M	Median 30' or Less						
Design							
Speed	d _x	ď	d r	d_m			
(mph)	(Ft.)	(Ft.)	(Ft.)	(Ft.)			
≤ 30	650	460	110	560			
35	755	535	130	655			
40	865	615	145	745			
45	970	690	165	835			
50	1080	765	185	930			
55	1185	840	200	1025			
60	1290	915	220	1115			
65	1400	990	235	1210			

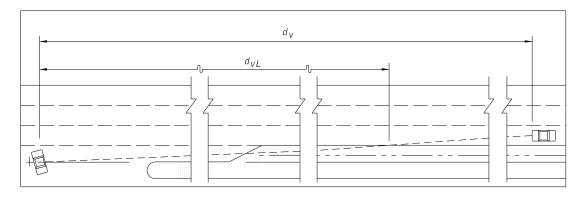
35'-50' Median							
Design							
Speed	d _x	ďL	d r	d m			
(mph)	(Ft.)	(Ft.)	(Ft.)	(Ft.)			
≤ 30	700	495	95	625			
35	815	580	115	725			
40	930	660	130	825			
45	1045	740	145	930			
50	1165	825	160	1035			
55	1280	905	175	1140			
60	1395	990	190	1240			
65	1510	1070	210	1340			

	Design				
	Speed	d	d _L	d v	d vL
	(mph)	(Ft.)	(Ft.)	(Ft.)	(Ft.)
	≤ 30	570	405	510	435
	35	665	470	590	500
	40	760	540	680	575
1	45	855	605	760	645
5	50	950	675	845	720
2	55	1045	740	930	790
2	60	1140	805	1015	865
2	65	1235	875	1100	935

64' Median

Combined Vehicles

SIGHT DISTANCES (d), (d_V) & (d_X) AND RELATED DISTANCES $(d_L, d_r, d_m \& d_{VL})$ (FEET)



Where The Median Is Sufficiently Wide For The Design Vehicle To Pause In The Median (Vehicle Length Plus 6' Min.) The Clear Line Of Sight To The Right (d_v) Is Measured From The Vehicle Pause Location, i.e., Not From The Cross Road Stop Position; Distances dr & dm Do Not Apply.

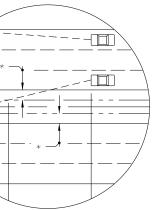
INSET A

Vehicle Type	Vehicle Length (Ft.)
Passenger (P)	19
Single Unit (SU)	30
Large School Bus	40
WB-40	45.5
WB-50	55

* Lateral Offset For Restricted Conditions Clear Zone For Nonrestricted Conditions

NOTES FOR 6-LANE DIVIDED ROADWAY

- 1. See Figure 212.11.1 for origin of clear sight line on the minor road.
- 2. Values shown in the tables are the Intersection with Stop Control on the Minor Road.



INSET B

governing (controlling) sight distances calculated based on 'AASHTO Case B -

NOT TO SCALE

LEGEND

Areas Free Of Sight Obstructions

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212.11.2 All-Way Stop Control (AASHTO Case E)

Provide clear sight lines on each of the approach legs for all-way stop controlled intersections.

212.11.3 Signal Control (AASHTO Case D)

For signalized intersections incorporate the following:

- (1) Develop sight distances based on AASHTO 'Case D-Intersections with Signal Control'.
- (2) The first vehicle stopped on any approach leg is visible to the driver of the first vehicle stopped on each of the other approach legs.
- (3) For permissive left turns provide sufficient sight distance for left turning vehicles to select gaps in oncoming traffic and complete left turns.
- (4) If a traffic signal is to be placed on two-way flashing operation (i.e., flashing yellow on the major road approaches and flashing red on the minor road approaches) under off peak or nighttime conditions, then provide the appropriate departure sight triangles for AASHTO Case B (Stop Control on the Minor Road).
- (5) If right turns on red are permitted from any approach leg then provide the appropriate departure sight triangle to the left for AASHTO Case B above.

212.11.4 Left Turn from Highway (AASHTO Case F)

Provide sufficient sight distance to accommodate a left turn maneuver for locations where left turns across opposing traffic are permitted. **Table 212.11.1** provides clear sight distance values for left turn from highway.

For additional information on determining the sight distance refer to Chapter 9 of AASHTO's *A Policy on Geometric Design of Highways and Streets*.

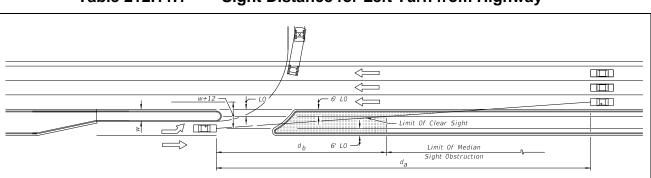


Table 212.11.1Sight Distance for Left Turn from Highway

Design	d _a (feet)								
Speed				2 Lane Crossed			3 Lane Crossed		
(mph)	Р	SU	Comb.	P	SU	Comb.	Р	SU	Comb.
25-30	245	290	330	265	320	365	290	350	395
35	285	335	385	310	370	425	335	410	460
40	325	385	440	355	425	485	385	465	525
45	365	430	495	400	475	545	430	525	590

Notes:

- (1) Provide a lateral offset (LO) of 6' as shown in the diagram above. d_b may be determined by the equation $d_b = d_a$ (w/(w+12)). For roadways with non-restricted conditions, d_a and d_b should be based on the geometry for the left turn storage and on clear zone widths.
- (2) For wide medians where the turning vehicle can approach the through lane at or near 90°, use d values from tables in *Exhibits 212-6* and *212-7*. (The clear sight line origin is assumed to be 14.5 feet from the edge of the near travel lane.

212.11.5 On-Street Parking

Table 212.11.2 provides parking restrictions for intersections; including mid-block crossings and roundabout approaches. For additional information, see the following:

- **FDM 210.2.3** for additional information concerning on-street parking.
- **FDM 222.2.6** for information concerning curb extensions (bulb-outs).
- Chapter 316, <u>Florida Statutes</u> (F.S.), for laws governing parking spaces.

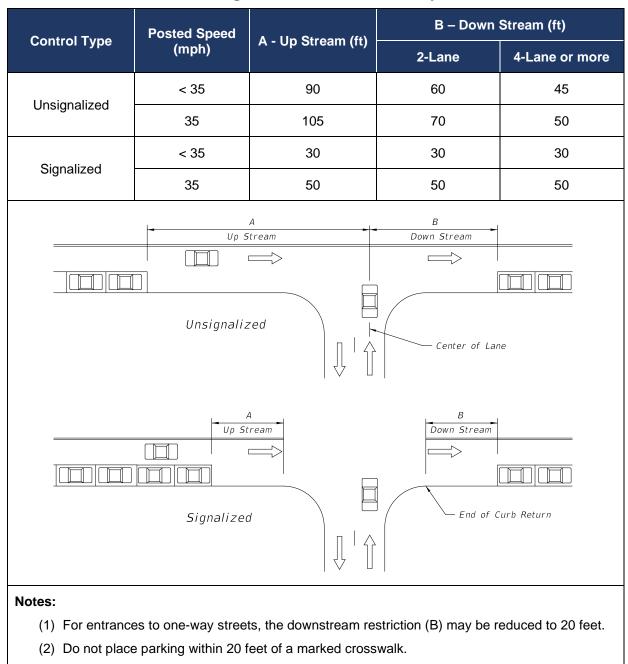


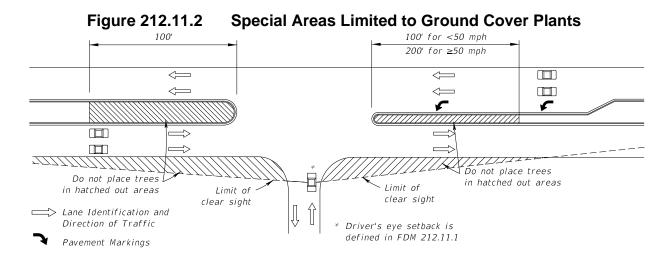
Table 212.11.2 Parking Restrictions for Driveways and Intersections

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212.11.6 Trees and Vegetation

Intersections should be designed to accommodate the placement of trees and other desired vegetation (e.g., ground cover plants, trunked plants) in C2T, C3C, C4, C5, and C6 context classifications while still maintaining clear sight triangles. Ground cover plants are naturally low-growing plants with a maximum mature height of \leq 18 inches. Trunked plants are those with a mature trunk diameter of 4 inches or less (measured 6 inches above the ground).

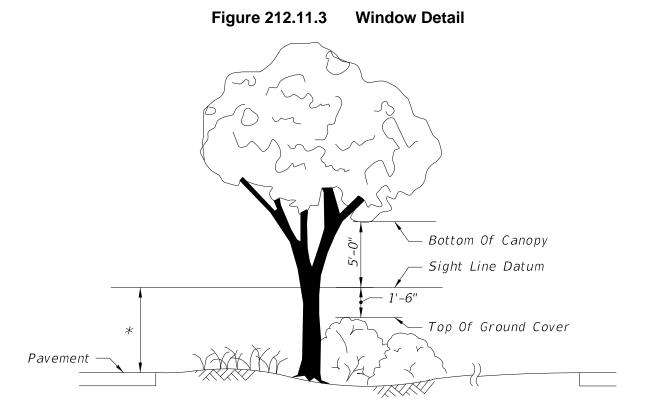
Maintain clear sight triangles for all approaches. Do not place trees within the hatchedout areas as shown in *Figure 212.11.2*. The hatched-out areas are for ground cover plants only. Coordinate with the Project Landscape Architect for the placement of vegetation and the necessary space above and below ground for tree growth that will maintain clear sight triangles.



Where left turns from the major road are permitted, do not locate trees within the distance d_b shown in **Table 212.11.1** (see **FDM 212.11.4**) and not less than the distances shown in **Figure 212.11.2** and the spacings in **Table 212.11.3** as applicable.

212.11.6.1 Clear Sight Window Concept

The clear sight window concept may provide opportunities for vegetation within the limits of intersection sight triangles. This concept is illustrated in *Figure 212.11.3.* This detail provides the required vertical clear sight limits with respect to the sight line datum. Do not place trees within the hatched-out areas as shown in *Figure 212.11.2* (even if using the clear sight window concept). The hatched-out areas are for ground cover plants only.



* Since observations are made in both directions, the line of sight datum between roadways is 3.5 feet above both pavements.

The horizontal limits of the window are defined by clear sight triangles. Within the limits of clear sight triangles, the following restrictions apply:

- Canopy of trees and trunked plants must be at least 5 feet above the sight line datum.
- The top of the ground cover plants must be at least 1.5 feet below the sight line datum.

See **FDM 228.2(2)(a)** for additional information about plant selection and placement. Enforcing these limits provides a clear line of sight for approaches to an intersection.

When trees are located in the median of a divided roadway and fall within the limits of a clear sight triangle, conform to **Table 212.11.3** for tree size and spacing. Spacing values for trees with diameter of 11 inches or less were derived assuming a maximum 6-footwide shadow band on a vehicle at the stop bar location when viewed by a mainline driver beginning at sight distance 'd'. This is illustrated in **Figure 212.11.4**. Spacing values for

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trees with diameter greater than 11 inches and less than or equal to 18 inches were derived assuming a 2 second full view of the vehicle at the stop bar when viewed by the mainline driver beginning at sight distance 'd'. (See *Figure 212.11.5*).

Design Speed (mph)	Minimum Tree Spacing (Center-to-Center of Trunk) (feet)			
	4" < Tree Diameter ≤ 11"	11" < Tree Diameter ≤ 18"		
25-30	25	90		
35	30	105		
40	35	120		
45	40	135		
50	50	150		
55	55	165		
60	60	180		

Table 212.11.3	Minimum Tree Spacing
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Notes:

- (1) Size and spacing are based on the following conditions:
 - (a) A single line of trees in the median parallel to but not necessarily collinear with the centerline.
 - (b) A straight approaching mainline and intersection angle between 60° and 120°.
 - (c) Space trees with 4" < Dia. ≤ 11" intermixed with trees with 11" < Dia. ≤ 18" based on trees with 11" < Dia. ≤ 18".
- (2) Detail tree size, spacing, and location in the plans for any other conditions.
- (3) Trunked Plants may be placed on 20-foot centers.

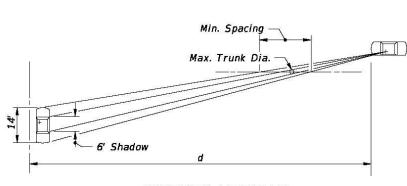
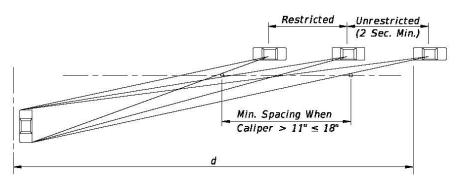


Figure 212.11.4 Shadow Diagram

SHADOW DIAGRAM TREE SPACING (DIA. 11" OR LESS)





PERCEPTION DIAGRAM TREE SPACING (DIA. BETWEEN 11" AND 18")

212.12 Turning Roadways

Turning roadways are typically designed for use by right-turning traffic at intersections. There are three types of right-turning roadways:

- edge-of-traveled-way design
- design with a corner triangular island
- free-flow design using a simple radius or compound radii

The turning radii and the pavement cross slopes for free-flow right turns are functions of design speed and design vehicle.

212.12.1 Edge-of-Traveled-Way Design

When selected design vehicle is to be accommodated within minimum space, corner radii should be based on the required turning path.

Table 212.12.1 provides simple curve radii with and without tapers. **Table 212.12.2** provides symmetric and asymmetric three centered compound curve radii for a range of design vehicles. These values provide the minimum turning paths attainable at design speeds of 10 mph and less.

Figure 212.12.1 demonstrates the angle of turn for use in these tables.

The minimum edge-of-traveled-way values provided in these tables are based on the assumption that the vehicle is properly positioned within the traffic lane at the beginning and end of the turn (2 feet from the edge-of-traveled-way on the tangents approaching and leaving the intersection curve). Such designs follow closely the inner wheel path of the selected design vehicle, with a clearance of 2 feet or more throughout most of the turn, and with a clearance at no point less than 9 inches. Differences in the inner paths of vehicles turning left and right are not sufficient to be significant in design. For this reason, these edge designs also apply to left-turn maneuvers, such as a left turn by a vehicle leaving a divided highway at a very low speed.

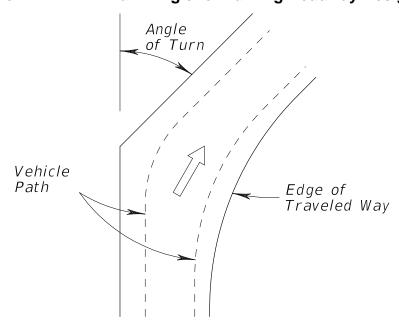


Figure 212.12.1Turn Angle for Turning Roadway Designs

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Angle of Turn		Simple Curve	Simple Curve Radius with Taper			
(degrees)	venicie	Radius (feet)	Radius (feet)	Offset (feet)	Taper H:V	
	Р	60				
	SU-30	100				
	SU-40	140				
	WB-40	150				
30	WB-62	360	220	3.0	15:1	
50	WB-62FL	380	220	3.0	15:1	
	WB-67	380	220	3.0	15:1	
	WB-92D	365	190	3.0	15:1	
	WB-100T	260	125	3.0	15:1	
	WB-109D	475	260	3.5	20:1	
	Р	50				
	SU-30	75				
	SU-40	115				
	WB-40	120				
45	WB-62	230	145	4.0	15:1	
45	WB-62FL	250	145	4.5	15:1	
	WB-67	250	145	4.5	15:1	
	WB-92D	270	145	4.0	15:1	
	WB-100T	200	115	2.5	15:1	
	WB-109D		200	4.5	20:1	
	Р	40				
	SU-30	60				
	SU-40	100				
	WB-40	90				
60	WB-62	170	140	4.0	15:1	
60	WB-62FL	200	140	4.5	15:1	
	WB-67	200	140	4.5	15:1	
	WB-92B	230	120	5.0	15:1	
	WB-100T	150	95	2.5	15:1	
	WB-109D		180	4.5	20:1	

Table 212.12.1 Edge-of-Traveled-Way, Simple Curve Radii

Angle of Turn	Design	Simple Curve	Simple Curve Radius with Taper			
(degrees)	Vehicle	Radius (feet)	Radius (feet)	Offset (feet)	Taper H:V	
	Р	35	25	2.0	10:1	
	SU-30	55	45	2.0	10:1	
	SU-40	90	60	2.0	10:1	
	WB-40		60	2.0	15:1	
75	WB-62		145	4.0	20:1	
15	WB-62FL		145	4.0	20:1	
	WB-67		145	4.5	20:1	
	WB-92D		110	5.0	15:1	
	WB-100T		85	3.0	15:1	
	WB-109D		140	5.5	20:1	
	Р	30	20	2.5	10:1	
	SU-30	50	40	2.0	10:1	
	SU-40	80	45	4.0	10:1	
	WB-40		45	4.0	10:1	
	WB-62		120	4.5	30:1	
90	WB-62FL		125	4.5	30:1	
	WB-67		125	4.5	30:1	
	WB-92D		95	6.0	10:1	
	WB-100T		85	2.5	15:1	
	WB-109D		115	2.9	15:1	
	Р		20	2.5	8:1	
	SU-30		35	3.0	10:1	
	SU-40		45	4.0	10:1	
	WB-40		40	4.0	10:1	
405	WB-62		115	3.0	15:1	
105	WB-62FL		115	3.0	15:1	
	WB-67		115	3.0	15:1	
	WB-92B		80	8.0	10:1	
	WB-100T		75	3.0	15:1	
	WB-109D		90	9.2	20:1	

Table 212.12.1Edge-of-Traveled-Way, Simple Curve Radii, cont.

Angle of Turn	Design	Simple Curve	Simple Curve Radius with Taper			
(degrees)	Vehicle	Radius (feet)	Radius (feet)	Offset (feet)	Taper H:V	
	Р		20	2.0	10:1	
	SU-30		30	3.0	10:1	
	SU-40		35	6.0	8:1	
	WB-40		35	5.0	8:1	
120	WB-62		100	5.0	15:1	
120	WB-62FL		105	5.2	15:1	
	WB-67		105	5.2	15:1	
	WB-92D		80	7.0	10:1	
	WB-100T		65	3.5	15:1	
	WB-109D		85	9.2	20:1	
	Р		20	1.5	10:1	
	SU-30		30	4.0	10:1	
	SU-40		40	4.0	8:1	
	WB-40		30	8.0	15:1	
405	WB-62		80	5.0	20:1	
135	WB-62FL		85	5.2	20:1	
	WB-67		85	5.2	20:1	
	WB-92D		75	7.3	10:1	
	WB-100T		65	5.5	15:1	
	WB-109D		85	8.5	20:1	
	Р		18	2.0	10:1	
	SU-30		30	4.0	8:1	
	SU-40		35	7.0	8:1	
	WB-40		30	6.0	8:1	
450	WB-62		60	10.0	10:1	
150	WB-62FL		65	10.2	10:1	
	WB-67		65	10.2	10:1	
	WB-92B		65	11.0	10:1	
	WB-100T		65	7.3	10:1	
	WB-109D		65	15.1	10:1	

Table 212.12.1Edge-of-Traveled-Way, Simple Curve Radii, cont.

Angle of Turn	Design	Design Simple Curve		Simple Curve Radius with Taper			
(degrees)	Vehicle Radius (fe		Radius (feet)	Offset (feet)	Taper H:V		
	Р		15	0.5	20:1		
	SU-30		30	1.5	10:1		
	SU-40		35	6.4	10:1		
	WB-40		20	9.5	5:1		
180	WB-62		55	10.0	15:1		
100	WB-62FL		55	13.8	10:1		
	WB-67		55	13.8	10:1		
	WB-92D		55	16.8	10:1		
	WB-100T		55	10.2	10:1		
	WB-109D		55	20.0	10:1		

Table 212.12.1Edge-of-Traveled-Way, Simple Curve Radii, cont.

Table 212.12.2 Edge-of-Traveled-Way, 3-Centered Compound Curves

Angle of Turn (degrees)		3-Centered Compound Curve					
	Design Vehicle	Curve Radii (ft)	Symmetric Offset (ft)	Curve Radii (ft)	Asymmetric (ft)		
	Р						
	SU-30						
	SU-40						
	WB-40						
30	WB-62						
50	WB-62FL	460-175-460	4.0	300-175-550	2.0-4.5		
	WB-67	460-175-460	4.0	300-175-550	2.0-4.5		
	WB-92D	550-155-550	4.0	200-150-500	2.0-6.0		
	WB-100T	220-80-220	4.5	200-80-300	2.5-5.0		
	WB-109D	550-250-550	5.0	250-200-650	1.5-7.0		

		3-Centered Compound Curve					
Angle of Turn (degrees)	Design Vehicle	Curve Radii (ft)	Symmetric Offset (ft)	Curve Radii (ft)	Asymmetric (ft)		
	Р						
	SU-30						
	SU-40						
	WB-40						
45	WB-62	460-240-460	2.0	120-140-500	3.0-8.5		
45	WB-62FL	460-175-460	4.0	250-125-600	1.0-6.0		
	WB-67	460-175-460	4.0	250-125-600	1.0-6.0		
	WB-92D	525-155-525	5.0	200-140-500	1.5-6.0		
	WB-100T	250-80-250	4.5	200-80-300	2.5-5.5		
	WB-109D	550-200-550	5.0	200-170-650	1.5-7.0		
	Р						
	SU-30						
	SU-40						
	WB-40						
	WB-62	400-100-400	15.0	110-100-220	10.0-12.5		
60	WB-62FL	400-100-400	8.0	250-125-600	1.0-6.0		
	WB-67	400-100-400	8.0	250-125-600	1.0-6.0		
	WB-92D	480-110-480	6.0	150-110-500	3.0-9.0		
	WB-100T	250-80-250	4.5	200-80-300	2.0-5.5		
	WB-109D	650-150-650	5.5	200-140-600	1.5-8.0		
	Р	100-25-100	2.0				
	SU-30	120-45-120	2.0				
	SU-40	200-35-200	5.0	60-45-200	1.0-4.5		
	WB-40	120-45-120	5.0	120-45-195	2.0-6.5		
75	WB-62	440-75-440	15.0	140-100-540	5.0-12.0		
	WB-62FL	420-75-420	10.0	200-80-600	1.0-10.0		
	WB-67	420-75-420	10.0	200-80-600	1.0-10.0		
	WB-92B	500-95-500	7.0	150-100-500	1.0-8.0		
	WB-100T	250-80-250	4.5	100-80-300	1.5-5.0		
	WB-109D	700-125-700	6.5	150-110-550	1.5-11.5		

Table 212.12.2Edge-of-Traveled-Way, 3-Centered Compound Curves, cont.

		3-Centered Compound Curve					
Angle of Turn (degrees)	Design Vehicle	Curve Radii (ft)	Symmetric Offset (ft)	Curve Radii (ft)	Asymmetric (ft)		
	Р	100-20-100	2.5				
	SU-30	120-40-120	2.0				
	SU-40	200-30-200	7.0	60-45-200	1.0-4.5		
	WB-40	120-40-120	5.0	120-40-200	2.0-6.5		
00	WB-62	400-70-400 10.0 160-70-360		160-70-360	6.0-10.0		
90	WB-62FL	440-65-440	10.0	200-70-600	1.0-11.0		
	WB-67	440-65-440	10.0	200-70-600	1.0-11.0		
	WB-92D	470-75-470	10.0	150-90-500	1.5-8.5		
	WB-100T	250-70-250	4.5	200-70-300	1.0-5.0		
	WB-109D	700-110-700	6.5	100-95-550	2.0-11.5		
	Р	100-20-100	2.5				
	SU-30	100-35-100	3.0				
	SU-40	200-35-200	6.0	60-40-190	1.5-6.0		
	WB-40	100-35-100	5.0	100-55-200	2.0-8.0		
405	WB-62	520-50-520	15.0	360-75-600	4.0-10.5		
105	WB-62FL	500-50-500	13.0	200-65-600	1.0-11.0		
	WB-67	500-50-500	13.0	200-65-600	1.0-11.0		
	WB-92D	500-80-500	8.0	150-80-500	2.0-10.0		
	WB-100T	250-60-250	5.0	100-60-300	1.5-6.0		
	WB-109D	700-95-700	8.0	150-80-500	3.0-15.0		
	Р	100-20-100	2.0				
	SU-30	100-30-100	3.0				
	SU-40	200-35-200	6.0	60-40-190	1.5-5.0		
	WB-40	120-30-120	6.0	100-30-180	2.0-9.0		
400	WB-62	520-70-520	10.0	80-55-520	24.0-17.0		
120	WB-62FL	550-45-550	15.0	200-60-600	2.0-12.5		
	WB-67	550-45-550	15.0	200-60-600	2.0-12.5		
	WB-92D	500-70-500	10.0	150-70-450	3.0-10.5		
	WB-100T	250-60-250	5.0	100-60-300	1.5-6.0		
	WB-109D	700-85-700	9.0	150-70-500	7.0-17.4		

Table 212.12.2 Edge-of-Traveled-Way, 3-Centered Compound Curves, cont.

		3-Centered Compound Curve					
Angle of Turn (degrees)	Design Vehicle	Curve Radii (ft)	Symmetric Offset (ft)	Curve Radii (ft)	Asymmetric (ft)		
	Р	100-20-100	1.5				
	SU-30	100-30-100	4.0				
	SU-40	200-40-200	4.0	60-40-180	1.5-5.0		
	WB-40	120-30-120 6.5 100-		100-25-180	3.0-13.0		
425	WB-62	600-60-600	600-60-600 12.0 100-60-64		14.0-7.0		
135	WB-62FL	550-45-550	16.0	200-60-600	2.0-12.5		
	WB-67	550-45-550	16.0	200-60-600	2.0-12.5		
	WB-92D	450-70-450	9.0	150-65-450	7.0-13.5		
	WB-100T	250-60-250	5.5	100-60-300	2.5-7.0		
	WB-109D	700-70-700	12.5	150-65-500	14.0-18.4		
	Р	75-20-75	2.0				
	SU-30	100-30-100	4.0				
	SU-40	200-35-200	6.5	60-40-200	1.0-4.5		
	WB-40	100-30-100	6.0	90-25-160	1.0-12.0		
(= 0	WB-62	480-55-480	15.0	140-60-560	8.0-10.0		
150	WB-62FL	550-45-550	19.0	200-55-600	7.0-16.4		
	WB-67	550-45-550	19.0	200-55-600	7.0-16.4		
	WB-92D	350-60-350	15.0	120-65-450	6.0-13.0		
	WB-100T	250-60-250	7.0	100-60-300	5.0-8.0		
	WB-109D	700-65-700	15.0	200-65-500	9.0-18.4		
	Р	50-15-50	0.5				
	SU-30	100-30-100	1.5				
	SU-40	150-35-150	6.2	50-35-130	5.5-7.0		
	WB-40	100-20-100	9.5	85-20-150	6.0-13.0		
100	WB-62	800-45-800	20.0	100-55-900	15.0-15.0		
180	WB-62FL	600-45-600	20.5	100-55-400	6.0-15.0		
	WB-67	600-45-600	20.5	100-55-400	6.0-15.0		
	WB-92B	400-55-400	16.8	120-60-400	9.0-14.5		
	WB-100T	250-55-250	9.5	100-55-300	8.5-10.5		
	WB-109D	700-55-700	20.0	200-60-500	10.0-21.0		

Table 212.12.2 Edge-of-Traveled-Way, 3-Centered Compound Curves, cont.

For curbed intersections, the effective turning radius must be considered in addition to the actual curb radius. As shown in *Figure 212.12.2*, where a parking lane (or bike lane) is present, the vehicle turn is offset from the edge of the roadway by the width of the parking lane or bike lane, creating an "effective turning radius" that is larger than the physical curb radius. Where there is no parking lane or bike lane, the corner radius and effective turning radius are the same. To minimize pedestrian crossing distance, designers should provide the shortest curb radius possible or provide bulbouts within the effective turnin radius area. The corner radii should follow the guidance in *Table 212.12.3*, and accommodate the following:

- The control vehicle, design vehicle, and design speed for each street
- Available R/W
- Angle of turn between intersection legs
- Presence of on-street parking or a bike lane
- The width and number of lanes on the intersecting street

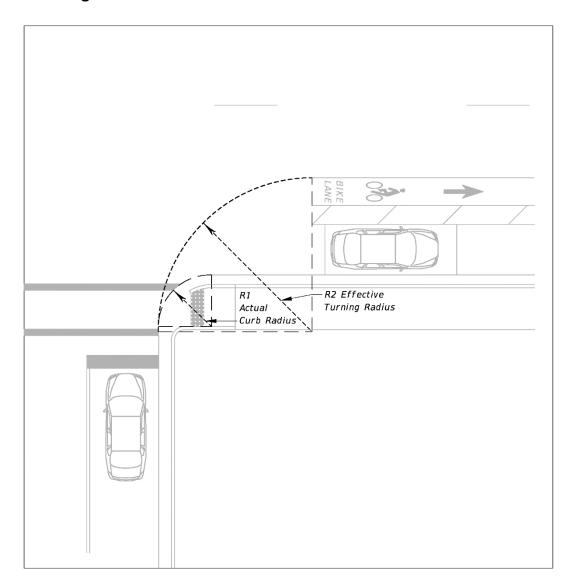


Figure 212.12.2 Actual Curb Radius Vs Effective Radius

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	Table 212.12.3	Recommended Corner Radii			
R1 Actual Curb Radius (ft)	R2 Effective Turning Radius (ft)	Operational Characteristics			
5-30	25 - 30	P vehicles and SU vehicles with minor lane encroachment			
5-40	40	P vehicles, SU vehicles, and WB-40 vehicles with minor encroachment			
5-50 50		All vehicles up to WB-40			
Notes: (1) Table 212.12.3 assumes perpendicular intersections. For skewed intersections, establish radius using AutoTurn or turning templates.					

(2) Confirm the actual curb radius using AutoTurn or turn templates.

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Guidelines for corner radii in C4, C5, and C6 context classification without on-street parking or a bike lane are as follows:

- Radii of 15 to 25 feet are adequate for passenger vehicles. These radii are suitable for minor cross streets where there is little occasion for trucks to turn and at major intersections where there are parking lanes;
- (2) Radii of 25 feet or more should be provided at minor cross streets on new construction or reconstruction projects;
- (3) Radii of 30 feet or more should be provided at minor cross streets where practical so that an occasional truck can turn without too much encroachment;
- (4) Radii of 40 feet or more or preferably three-centered curves or simple curves with tapers to fit the paths of large truck combinations, should be provided where such combinations or buses turn frequently. Where speed reductions would cause problems, larger radii should be considered; and,
- (5) Curb radii should be coordinated with crosswalk distances or special designs should be used to make crosswalks efficient for all pedestrians. Where larger radii are used, an intermediate refuge or median island is desirable or crosswalks may need to be offset so that crosswalk distances are not excessive. See *FDM 210.3* for additional information on islands.

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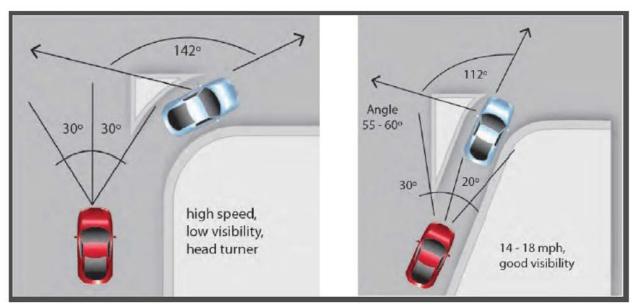
212.12.2 Turning Roadways with Corner Islands

Consider providing a corner island at an intersection where paved areas are excessively large or do not establish proper channelization of traffic. Corner islands can provide delineation for through and turning traffic. In addition, corner islands shorten crosswalks and give pedestrians and bicyclists a refuge area. See *FDM 210.3.2* for island requirements.

Channelized right turn lanes can be designed with a flat or near perpendicular angle of entry to the cross street (see *Figure 212.12.3*). The flat angle of entry is most appropriate for higher speed turning movements with no pedestrian accommodations. Large turning radii and angles of entry into the cross street allow higher turning speeds, reduced traffic delays, and the turning movement of large trucks. The higher speeds, angle of entry and large radii adversely impacts pedestrian safety at the crosswalk.

The near perpendicular angle of entry is preferred where pedestrian facilities are provided. Tight turning radii and angles of entry into the cross street accommodate the following:

- Slower turning speeds,
- Reduced cross walk length,
- Improved pedestrian visibility,
- Improved sight distance
- Decreased angle of driver head turning
- Reduced right-of-way impacts.





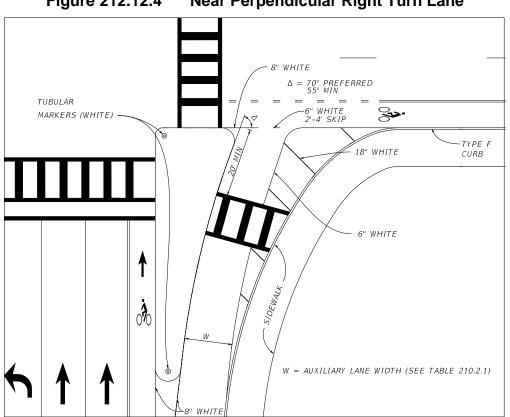
Ref: Figure 9-19, 2018 AASHTO Green Book

Consider the near perpendicular right turn lane design in *Figure 212.12.4* when the following conditions are met:

- Context Classification C2T, C3, C4, C5 and C6
- Low speed roadway (design speeds 45 mph and less)
- Pedestrian traffic is expected
- No acceleration lane is provided

This design includes the previously mentioned benefits to passenger cars and pedestrians with stripping and a scalene triangle shaped corner island. An approaching deceleration lane is preferred to provide vehicles additional time to stop for crossing pedestrians. The crosswalk is set back 20 feet minimum from the end of the island to allow room for a passenger car to wait for a gap in traffic with out blocking the crosswalk. As shown in *Figure 212.12.4*, the outside curb radii can be designed to accommodate over tracking of large vehicles such as single-unit trucks, transit, or Florida Interstate Semi-trailers (WB-62FL).

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212.12.3 Free-Flow Design

Provide superelevation on free flow turning roadways. An important part of the design on some intersections is the design of a free-flow alignment for turns. Ease and smoothness of operation can result when the free flow turning roadway is designed with compound curves preceded by a deceleration lane. Turning radii and pavement cross slope for free flow right turns at speeds greater than 10 mph are a function of the design speed and design vehicle. In general, the design speed of the turning roadway should be equal to, or within 10 to 20 mph less than the through roadway design speed.

It is desirable to provide as much superelevation as practical on intersection curves, particularly where the intersection curve is sharp and on a downgrade. However, the short curvature and short lengths of turning roadways often prevents the development of a desirable rate of superelevation. *Table 212.12.4* provides the minimum superelevation rates in relation to design speed. The wide variation in likely speeds on intersection curves precludes the need for precision, so only the minimum superelevation rate is given for each design speed and intersection curve radius.

	Design Speed (mph)							
	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45
Minimum Superelevation Rate	NC	NC	0.02	0.04	0.06	0.08	0.09	0.10
Minimum Radius (feet)	25	50	90	150	230	310	430	540

Table 212.12.4 Superelevation Rates for Turning Roadways

See FDM 210.9 for additional superelevation criteria.

212.12.4 Dual and Triple Left Turns

Double and triple turn lanes require turning radii that will accommodate the selected design vehicles turning simultaneously. The radius of curvature in combination with the track width of the design vehicles will establish the required width within the turn. Lane lines (i.e., guidelines) and width requirements should be determined by plotting the swept paths of the selected design vehicles. For preliminary layout of intersection geometry, use the swept path of the design vehicle on the inside turning lane to locate the median nose and crosswalk on the crossing street (at the receiving point of the left turn).

Design of dual turns should accommodate a SU-40 vehicle and a P vehicle turning simultaneously, as illustrated in *Figure 212.12.5*.

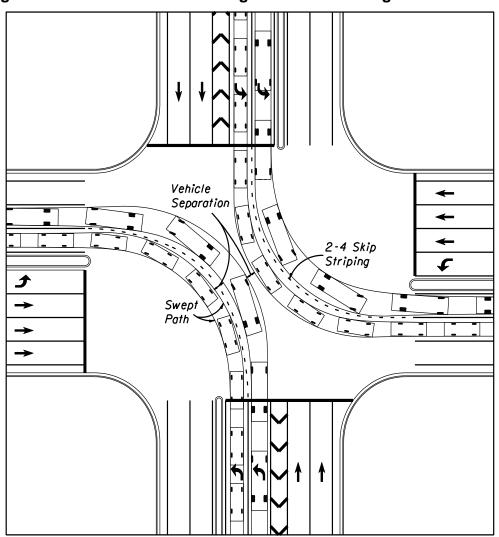


Figure 212.12.5 P and SU Design Vehicles Turning Simultaneously

Design of triple left turns should accommodate a WB-62FL (outside lane), a SU-40 (center or inside lane), and a P vehicle (center or inside lane) turning simultaneously.

Establish control radius for the inside turning lane based on the guidance in *FDM 212.14.5* and *Table 212.9.2*. Establish the inside edge of the outer lane by providing a minimum 4-foot separation between swept paths of the selected design vehicles traveling in the same direction. Except for turns with large radii, the inside edge of the outer lane will not be concentric with the selected control radius. Radius for the inside edge of the outer turn lane should be determined by analysis of the plotted swept path of the design vehicles.

Provide minimum 8-foot separation between vehicles traveling in opposing direction. Separation may be less than 8 feet when:

- (1) Turning paths are highly visible and speeds are low, or
- (2) Signal left turn phases are not concurrent for the opposing directions.

212.13 Islands

See *FDM 210.3* for island criteria.

212.14 Auxiliary Lanes

The primary function of auxiliary lanes at intersections is to accommodate speed changes, storage and maneuvering of turning traffic. The length of the auxiliary lanes is the sum of the deceleration length, queue length and approach end taper. Pavement marking requirements for auxiliary lanes are included in <u>Standard Plans</u>, Index 711-001.

212.14.1 Deceleration Length

The required total deceleration length is that needed for a safe and comfortable stop from the design speed of the highway. See *Exhibit 212-1* for minimum deceleration lengths (including taper) for left turn lanes.

Right turn lane tapers and lengths are identical to left turn lanes under stop control conditions. Right turn lane tapers and lengths are site-specific for free-flow or yield conditions.

212.14.2 Queue Length

The queue length provided should be based on a traffic study.

For low volume intersections where a traffic study is not justified, a minimum 50-foot queue length (2 vehicles) should be provided for C1, C2, and C3R context classifications. A minimum 100-foot queue length (4 vehicles) should be provided in C2T, C3C, C4, C5, and C6 context classifications. Locations with over 10% truck traffic should accommodate at least one car and one truck.

For queue lengths at signalized intersections, refer to *FDM 232.2*.

²¹²⁻Intersections

212.14.3 Approach End Taper

The length of approach end tapers is 50 feet for a single turn lane and 100 feet for two or more turn lanes, as shown *Exhibit 212-1*. These taper lengths apply to all design speeds.

212.14.4 Offset Left Turn Lanes

The alignment of opposing left-turn lanes and the horizontal and vertical curvature on the approaches are the principal geometric design elements that determine how much sight distance is available to a left-turning driver. Vehicles queuing in opposing left-turn lanes restrict each other's view of oncoming traffic in the through lanes. The level of restricted view depends on the alignment of opposing left-turn lanes with respect to each other and the type of vehicles in the opposing queue.

The offset distance is defined as the distance between the left edge of the turn lane and the right edge of the opposing turn lane. If the offset distance is to the left of the turn lane it is considered a negative offset, and if it is to the right of turn lane it is considered a positive offset, as illustrated in *Figure 212.14.1*.

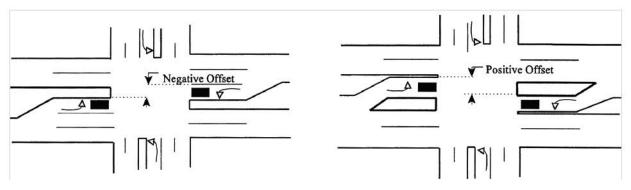


Figure 212.14.1 Negative and Positive Offset Left Turns

The conventional method of designing left turn lanes is to place the left turn lanes adjacent to the through lanes. This design creates a negative offset which restricts the sight distance of the left-turning driver's view of oncoming traffic when another vehicle is in the opposing turn lane. *Figure 212.14.2* indicates the negative offset when the conventional design is used.

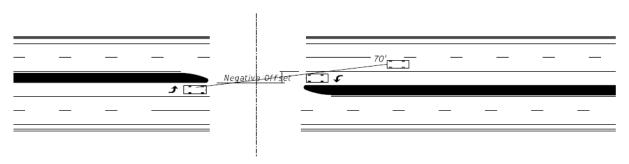


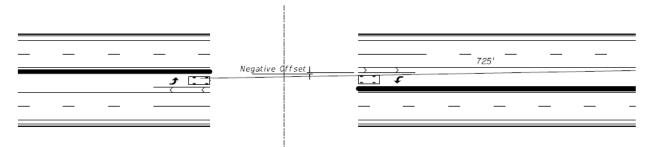
Figure 212.14.2 Opposing Left Turns (22' Median with Negative 10' Offset)

On curbed roadway designs, offset left-turn lanes should be used with median widths greater than 18 feet. A 4-foot traffic separator should be used when possible to channelize the left turn and provide separation from opposing traffic.

Consider offset left-turn lanes at C1, C2, and C3R context classification intersections with high turning movements. For median widths 30 feet or less, use a parallel offset left-turn lane. Stripe the area between the offset left-turn lane and the traffic lane where vehicles are moving in the same direction. For medians wider than 30 feet, consider a tapered offset left-turn lane. An offset left is illustrated in *Figure 212.14.3*.

2011 AASHTO Green Book Figure 9-52 illustrates the design of parallel and tapered left turn lanes.

Figure 212.14.3 Typical Opposing Left Turns (22' Median with Negative 1' Offset)



At locations where the full offset distances cannot be obtained, it is recommended that the minimum offset distances shown in **Table 212.14.1** be provided to achieve minimum required sight distances according to design speed. It is recommended that the "Opposing Truck" values be used where the opposing left-turn traffic includes a moderate to heavy volume of large trucks.

Design Speed	Minimum Offset (feet)				
(mph)	Opposing Car	Opposing Truck			
≤ 30	1.0	3.0			
35	1.5	3.5			
40 - 45	2.0	4.0			
50 - 55	2.5	4.5			
60 - 65	3.0	4.5			
70	3.0	5.0			

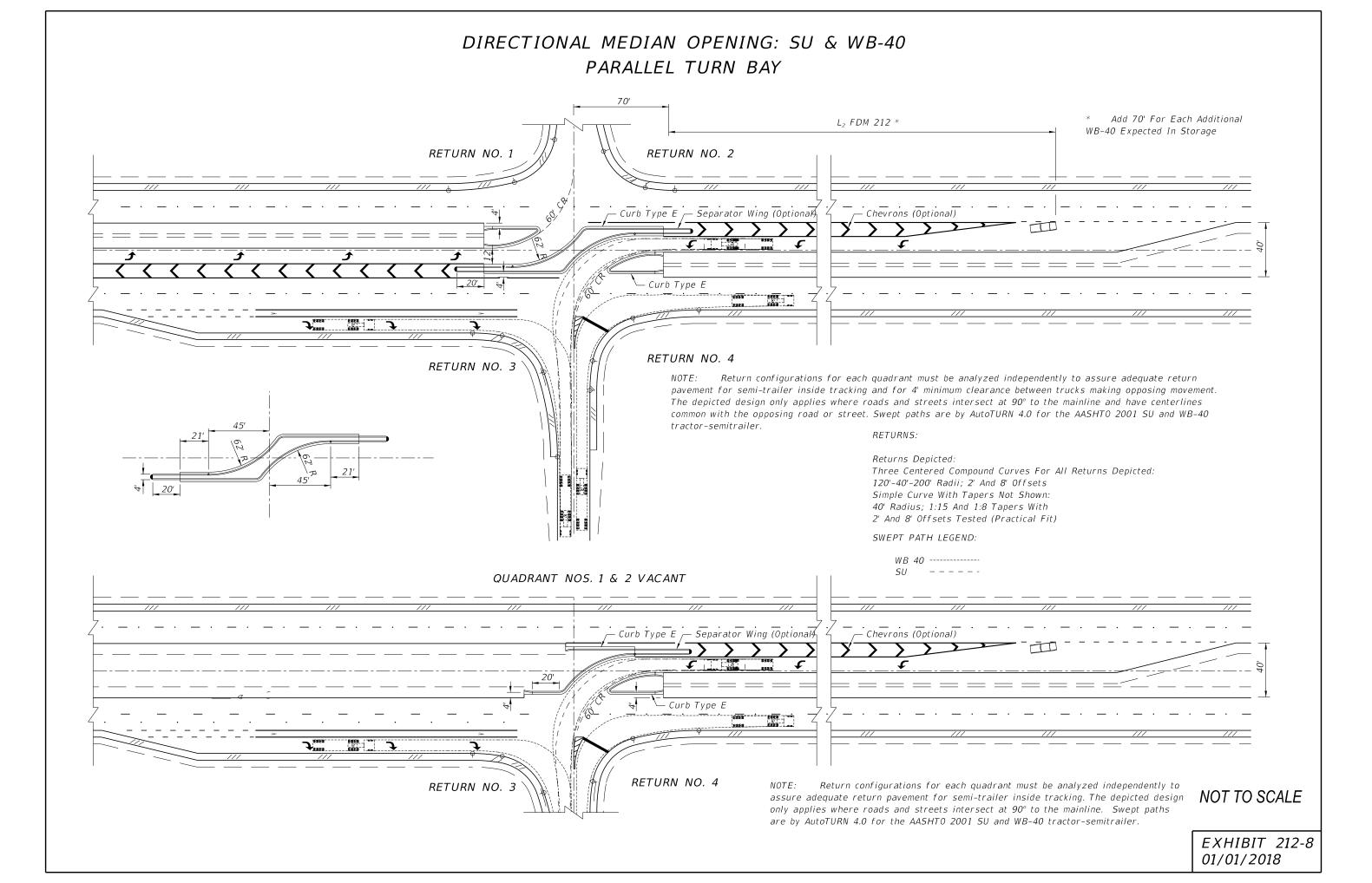
Table 212.14.1 Minimum Offset Distances for Left-Turn Lanes

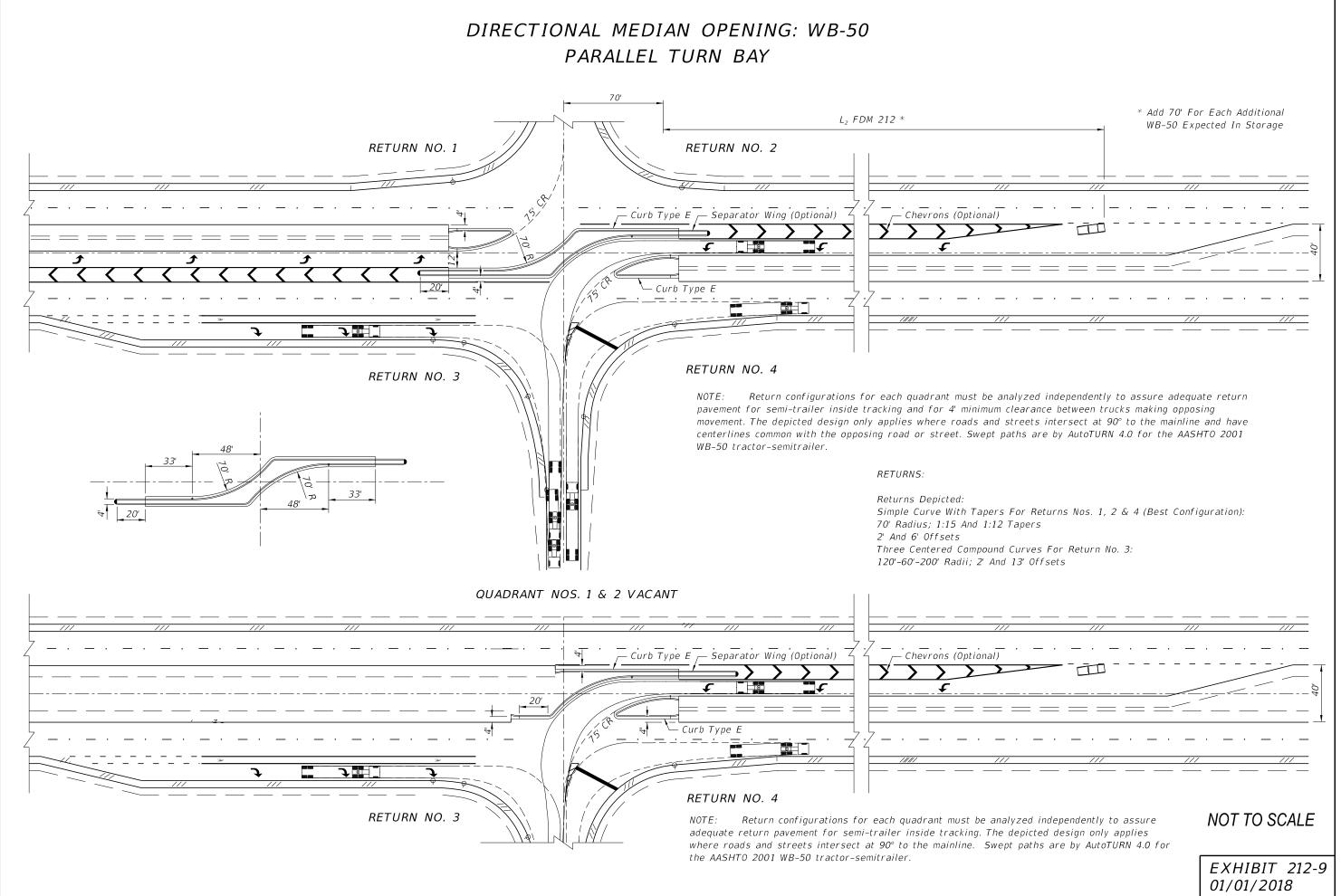
212.14.5 Directional Median Openings

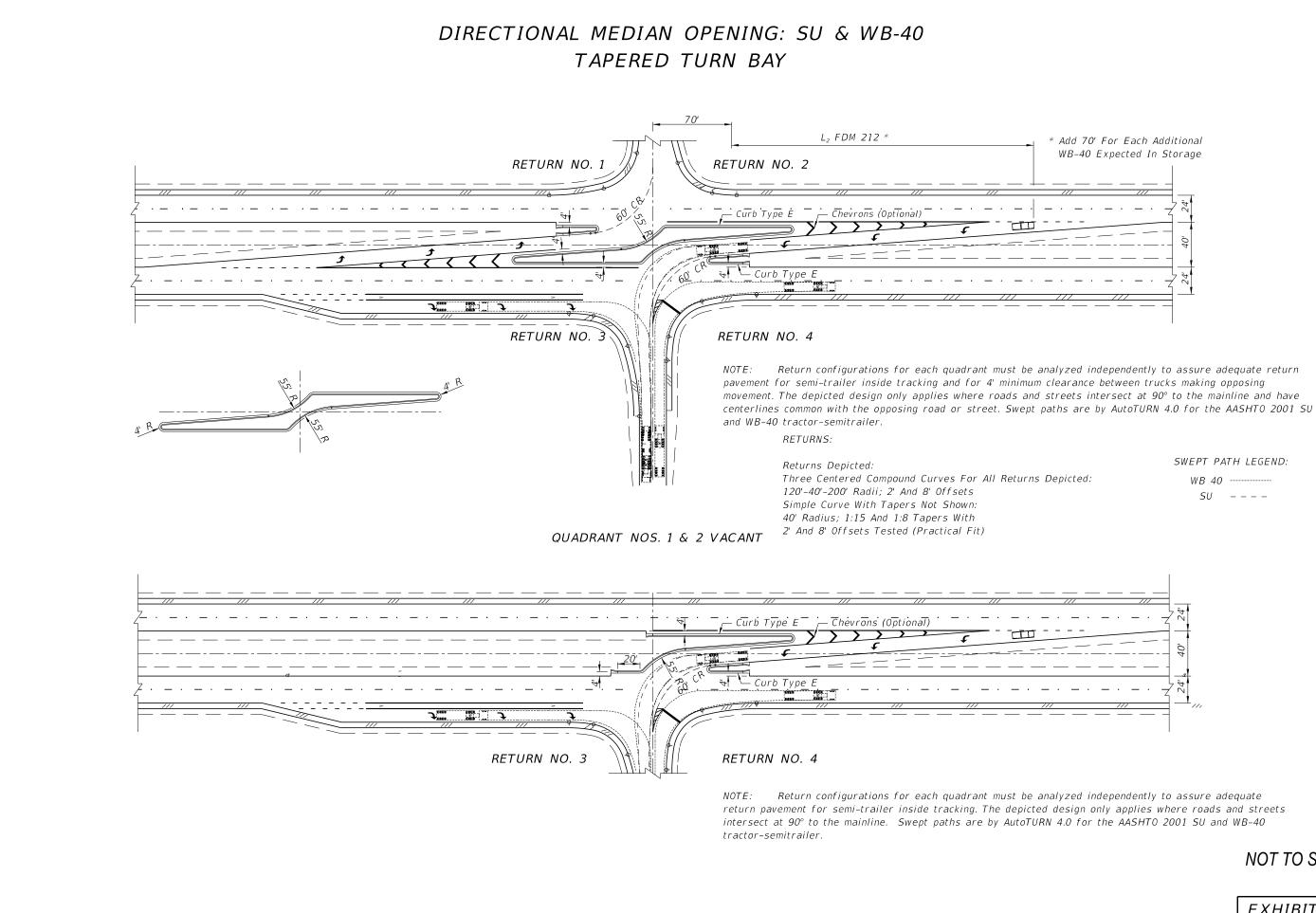
Directional (channelized) median openings are designed to accommodate left-turn movements from the through roadway and prevent or discourage left-turn and crossing movements by traffic from a side road or driveway. Directional median openings are to be provided in accordance with the access management plan for the roadway.

The design of a directional median opening must accommodate the swept path of the predominant design vehicle. Channelization may be achieved using a combination of traffic separators, islands, and tubular markers. See *FDM 210* for additional information on islands. See *Standard Plans*, *Index 520-020* for standard details for 4 feet, 6 feet and 8.5 feet wide traffic separators. See *FDM 230.2.7* for additional information on tubular markers.

Typical layouts for directional median openings for high-speed roadways with 40-feetwide medians are provided in *Exhibits 212-8*, *212-9* and *212-10*. Type E curb and raised islands in conjunction with the minimum offsets shown in these figures may be used on high-speed roadways for directional median openings.







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