

**Resolution #TC-2079**  
**Hazmat route designation**

**Approved by the Transportation Commission on: April 19, 2012**

WHEREAS, the Transportation Commission adopted Policy Directive 1903.0 which establishes a process for CDOT to consider local government and private business requests to analyze changes to Colorado's hazardous materials routes and the overall routing system; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to C.R.S. 42-20-301 and 302, the Colorado State Patrol makes determinations regarding hazardous materials route designations and CDOT is authorized to petition for a change in existing route designations no more than once per year provided the petition is approved by the Transportation Commission; and

WHEREAS, the Colorado-Wyoming Petroleum Marketers Association has formally requested that CDOT analyze and consider reinstating Petroleum Exemption on the following routes:

- US-160 from I-25 to the Kansas Border
- US-350 from US-160 to US-50
- US-385 from US-50 to US-40
- SH-96 from SH-71 to the Kansas Border
- SH-109 from US-160 to E 3<sup>rd</sup> Street in La Junta; and

WHEREAS, CDOT's Hazardous Materials Route Advisory Team, utilizing the process outlined in Procedural Directive 1903.1 have considered the request and found the following:

- The route is feasible, practicable, and not unreasonably expensive for such transportation, and will allow more options to petroleum transporters and will not have a negative impact on the industry; and
- The route is continuous through all affected jurisdictions; and
- Approval of the route will provide greater safety to the public;
- Reduce regulation on petroleum transporters and potentially have positive economic benefits; and

WHEREAS, all towns, cities, and counties affected by the proposed Petroleum Exemption reinstatement have expressed support for the proposal; and

WHEREAS, the Transportation Commission understands the Colorado State Patrol will be holding public meetings in the impacted area to gauge public sentiment for the change prior to making a final decision; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Transportation Commission instructs CDOT staff to formally petition the Colorado State Patrol to reinstate the Petroleum Exemption on the following routes:

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