616.8 .10 (TA-10) Lane Closure on Two-Lane Highways Using Flaggers - MT

|  | SIGN SPACING (ft.) |  | TAPER LENGTH (ft.) |  | OPTIONALBUFFERLENGTH (ft.)(B) | CHANNELIZER SPACING (ft.) |  |
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| SPEED | Undivided (S) | Divided (S) | Shoulder (T1) | Lane ${ }^{2}$ (T2) |  | Tapers | Buffer/ Work Areas |
| 0-35 | 200 | - | - | - | 250 | - | 50 |
| 40-45 | 350 | - | - | - | 360 | - | 100 |
| 50-55 | 500 | - | - | - | 495 | - | 100 |
| 60-70 | $\begin{gathered} \text { SA - 1000, SB - } 1500 \\ \text { and SC }-2640 \end{gathered}$ |  | - | - | 730 | - | 100 |
| 1 Shoulder taper length based on 10 ft . (standard shoulder width) offset 2 Lane taper length based on 12 ft . (standard lane width) offset |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

 The protective vehicle should be equipped with a TMA and flashing arrow panel and positioned at least 150 ft . in advance of the work space.

If a flashing arrow panel is used, the caution mode shall be displayed.

When a temporary road closure is needed, both directions may be stopped at the same time up to a maximum of 20 minutes.

Where operational conditions warrant, channelizing devices may be eliminated.

For short duration operations, signs and channelizers may be reduced or eliminated. The protective vehicle may be eliminated if adequate sight distance exists and the work vehicle uses activated rotating lights or strobe lights.

Vehicle hazard warning signals shall not be used instead of the vehicle's rotating lights or strobe lights.

For mobile operations where workers are on foot and move with the operation, channelizers may be reduced or eliminated.

Additional warning signs shall be erected at each intersection with another state highway within the work zone. Upon the discretion of the supervisor, additional warning signs may be erected at other intersections within the work zone.

For mobile operations, spacing between flagger and FLAGGER AHEAD signs shall not exceed one mile.

At night, flagger stations shall be illuminated.
For long-term operations, refer to EPG 616.6.2.2 Flags and Advance Warning Rail System.

