

J.M. LYNCH

77



STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
RALEIGH 27611

May 13, 1985

JAMES G. MARTIN  
GOVERNOR

JAMES E. HARRINGTON  
SECRETARY

TRAFFIC ENGINEERING RECEIVED	
MAY 16 1985	
REFER TO:	<i>Ward</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> FILE	<input type="checkbox"/> T.A.A.
<input type="checkbox"/> SEE ME	<input type="checkbox"/> F.Y.J.
<input type="checkbox"/> REVIEW & COMMENT	
<input type="checkbox"/> INVEST & REPORT	
<input type="checkbox"/> PLEASE ANSWER	
<input type="checkbox"/> REPLY FOR MY SIGNATURE	
<input type="checkbox"/> REPLY FOR SECY. SIGNATURE	

DIVISION OF HIGHWAYS

MEMORANDUM TO: Division Engineers

FROM: R. F. Coleman, P. E.  
Chief Engineer

SUBJECT: Temporary Closing Of Portions Of State  
Highway System Routes For Local Events

The Board of Transportation, meeting in official session on April 12, 1985, approved the attached agenda item which delegates permit approval authority of temporary road closings to the appropriate Division Engineer. Prior to issuance of a specific approval the Division should consult with the Traffic Engineering Branch to assure public safety and travel will not be adversely impacted. The Division should also obtain a commitment from the sponsor that law enforcement officials will be available to direct traffic to provide for the safety of the traveling public and to minimize the inconvenience to the public.

Please advise if you require further information on the handling of this matter.

RFC/WDC/ph  
Attachment

cc: Mr. G. E. Wells  
Mr. J. M. Lynch ✓  
Mr. M. C. Adams

APPROVAL OF TEMPORARY CLOSINGS OF STATE HIGHWAY  
SYSTEM ROUTES

On October 10, 1980, the Board of Transportation adopted a resolution delegating to the Secretary of Transportation authority to approve the temporary closings of State Highway System routes for local special events. The resolution permits approval of these temporary closings where (a) engineering studies show public safety and travel will not be adversely affected; (b) approval is recommended by the State Highway Administrator; and (c) assurance was given by local government officials that law enforcement personnel would be available to handle traffic supervision as necessary.

Special events for which temporary road closings are often requested include parades, bicycle races, foot races, etc.

The decision for approval or denial of these requests can properly be made and should be made by our Division Engineers in cooperation with the appropriate Board members. The Board of Transportation does, therefore, hereby amend the October 10, 1980 resolution to permit approval authority of temporary road closings to be by the appropriate Division Engineer.