

Fort Bend County Engineering FORT BEND COUNTY, TEXAS

Richard W. Stolleis, P.E. County Engineer

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Commissioner Vincent M. Morales, Jr. Fort Bend County Precinct 1 1517 Eugene Heimann Circle Richmond. TX 77469

RE: Traffic Study – Multi-Way Stop Control Analysis for: Macek Road at Tara Drive

Addition of "DO NOT BLOCK CROSSWALK" Signs on Macek Road

Dear Commissioner Morales:

The Fort Bend County Engineering Department has completed a review of the operational conditions at the intersection of Macek Road at Tara Drive in response to a request for multi-way stop control. The intersection currently operates with stop control on Tara Drive. Both streets are identified as Collectors in the 2015 Fort Bend County Major Thoroughfare Plan.

Traffic counts were collected at the intersection and used to evaluate the intersection for multi-way stop control based on the warrants required by the State of Texas in the Texas Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices. Based on the data collected, traffic volumes do not warrant multi-way stop control at this intersection. Additionally, recent crash history at the intersection does not warrant multi-way stop control and sight distance from Tara Drive is adequate. During observations of traffic operations at this intersection, it was observed that during school arrival and dismissal times, queuing on Macek Road occasionally resulted in cars stopping in the crosswalk immediately north of Tara Drive, impeding the crossing of pedestrians.

Based on the above results, Engineering does not recommend multi-way stop control at this intersection. It is recommended that "DO NOT BLOCK CROSSWALK" signs be posted at the crosswalk immediately north of Tara Drive in order to assist in the safe crossing of pedestrians.

A copy of the traffic control plan and Multi-Way Stop Control Worksheet are attached for your review. The public hearing date for acceptance for the plan will be scheduled on the next available Commissioner's Court Agenda. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me at 281-633-7528 or chris.debaillon@fortbendcountytx.gov.

Regards,

Chris Debaillon, PE, PTOE

Assistant County Engineer - Traffic

cc: Judge Robert E. Hebert, County Judge

Marc Grant - FBC Road & Bridge Brian Fields - Signage Department

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Attachments

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Multi-Way Stop Warrant Analysis Summary

2011 Texas Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices Multi-Way Stop Warrants

Precinct



Streets		Speeds:	85th Pct.	Posted
Major	Macek Rd		-	30
Minor	Tara Dr		-	30

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Eight Highest Hours:

Survey Date: 10/18/2016

Hour	Major St.	Minor St.	
Hour	Veh. Total	Unit Total	
6:00	638	103	
14:00	361	48	
13:00	212	30	
17:00	550	29	
7:00	366	28	
16:00	605	26	
15:00	486	25	
10:00	154	19	
Average	422	39	

Required Average Vehicle Volumes:

Major St Both Approaches		Minor St Both Approaches			
100%	80%	70%	100%	80%	70%
300	240	210	200	160	140

80% Condition used when there have been 4 or more crashes susceptible to correction by a multi-way stop in a 12-month period

70% Condition used when major street posted or 85th percentile speed exceeds 40 mph

Eight-Hour Average Vehiclular Volume Warrant Satisfied?

No

Is a traffic signal warranted and are arrangements being made for its installation?	No
Have there been 5 or more crashes susceptible to correction by a multi-way stop in a 12-month period?	No
Is a driver on the minor street, after stopping, unable to see conflicting traffic and is unable to reasonably negotiate the intersection unless conflicting cross traffic is also required to stop?	No
Is there a need to control pedestrian/vehicle conflicts and is the intersection near a location generating high pedestrian volumes?	No
Is the intersection composed of two residential neighborhood collector streets of similar design and operating characteristics where multi-way stop control would improve operations?	No
Comments:	
Intersection does not warrant MWSC	
Install "DO NOT BLOCK CROSSWALK" signs	

