



DEPARTMENT HIGHWAY - Office of Environmental  
Services x5771

# Office Memorandum

TO : L. A. Korth, Director  
Design and Right of Way Division

DATE: January 5, 1976

FROM : L. E. Foote

SUBJECT: Independence Rest Area Usage Study

Attached is report covering the above subject. The survey was conducted for a five day period, 8 hours each day over a weekend in August. All results were about as we had anticipated, except that the percentage of vehicles entering, as compared to the mainline traffic, was slightly lower than we had predicted. During these five days the site serviced about 1,554 people. About 200 people made use of the travel information board.

L. E. Foote, Director  
Office of Environmental Services

Attachment

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DEPARTMENT HIGHWAYS - Office of Environmental  
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DATE: December 31, 1975

TO : L. E. Foote, Director  
Office of Environmental Services

FROM : R. B. Doerr  
Intermediate Highway Technician

SUBJECT: Independence Rest Area Usage Study

Date: August 22-26, 1975  
Hours: 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.  
Weather: Partly cloudy to scattered showers  
Vehicles on mainline: Northbound 9,166, Southbound 10,716

Vehicles Entering Area	518
Percent of Vehicles Entering	2.6%
Out of State Vehicles	47.7%
Average Person/Vehicle	3
Average Time in Rest Area	12.7 minutes

Purpose for Entering

Rest Rooms	50.8%
Just to Rest	17.0%
Eat	16.2%
Other	12.2%
Dispose of Wastes	1.7%
Travel Info	1.7%
Get Water	.4%

Percent of Persons Using Rest Rooms 72.4%

Percent of Vehicles Using

Waste Disposal	21.6%
Travel Info	12.5%
Picnic Tables	10.4%

Direction Vehicles Enter From

T.H. 33	18%
T.H. 53 N.B.	30%
T.H. 53 S.B.	52%

Direction Vehicles Leave

T.H. 33	24.5%
T.H. 53 N.B.	44.5%
T.H. 53 S.B.	31.0%

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DAY OF WEEK _____	VEHICLE TYPE _____	NUMBER OF PEOPLE IN VEHICLE
DATE _____	TIME IN _____	
LICENSING STATE _____	TIME OUT _____	

1. WHAT WAS YOUR CHIEF PURPOSE FOR DRIVING INTO THIS REST AREA? (Check one)

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|----------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|
| 1. ___ Use Rest Room | 2. ___ Dispose of sewage | 3. ___ Get Water   |
| 4. ___ Just to Rest  | 5. ___ Get Travel Info.  | 6. ___ Telephone   |
| 7. ___ Eat           | 8. ___ Dispose of Wastes | 9. ___ Other _____ |

2. HOW MANY PEOPLE IN YOUR PARTY USED THE FOLLOWING?

Rest Room \_\_\_\_\_

3. WHICH OF THE FOLLOWING FACILITIES WERE USED BY YOUR PARTY?

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|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. ___ Picnic Tables  | 2. ___ Travel Information |
| 3. ___ Waste Disposal | 4. ___ None of these      |

4. WHERE IS THE HOME BASE FOR THE START OF THIS TRAVEL?

State \_\_\_\_\_ City or County \_\_\_\_\_

5. DID YOU ENTER OFF T.H. 33 \_\_\_\_\_, T.H. 53 NB \_\_\_\_\_, T.H. 53 SB \_\_\_\_\_

6. ARE YOU LEAVING ON T.H. 33 \_\_\_\_\_, T.H. 53 NB \_\_\_\_\_, T.H. 53 SB \_\_\_\_\_

