



FUNCTIONAL CLASSIFICATION OF STATE HIGHWAY SYSTEMS

Purpose

This policy authorizes the Director to functionally classify roads and streets and maintain a statewide map identifying urban limits.

Legal Authority

- Idaho Code 40-310(1) - The Board shall determine which highways in the state, or sections of highways, shall be designated and accepted as a part of the State Highway System.
- Idaho Code 40-310(3) - The Board has authority to abandon any highway and remove it from the State Highway System.
- Idaho Code 40-310(6) – The Board shall cause to be made and kept; surveys, studies, maps, plans and specifications for state highways, and so far as practicable, of all highways in the state.
- Federal Highways Administration Manual of Functional Classification (2013) - each state Transportation Department should be responsible for maintaining the official functional classification designation of all roads (state and local) within the State.

The Department Director or his/her designee shall maintain a statewide map identifying urban limits and functional classifications for highways and streets. Urban limits and functional classifications for street systems and county highways shall be reviewed and updated in cooperation with local jurisdictions after census data is available. However, interim updates may be accepted at any time. Determination of functional classification and delineation of urban boundaries should recognize long-range impacts on adjacent land use and be consistent with local comprehensive plans.

Approved classifications shall reflect anticipated functional usage within a ten-year target date. All revisions are subject to the District Engineer's approval prior to submission to the Division of Engineering Services Administrator for recommendation to the Federal Highway Administration.

Idaho Transportation Investment Program projects that expand the State Highway System, shall receive classification based on anticipated future use. Funding sources for interim projects on the existing route should reflect the anticipated future functional classification of the existing route.

In June of each year, the Director or his/her designee shall present an updated functional classification map of the State Highway System to the Board for approval.

Approved by the Board on:

Signed
Jerry Whitehead
Board Chairman

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