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Memorial Highway Signs





Current policies and practices

- No formal legislative process
- All state highways are described and numbered in <u>Utah Code</u> (i.e., SR-68, SR-85, SR 154)
- Some commonly used names are used in statute (e.g., State Street, Redwood Road)
- UDOT has a policy to address naming requests



UDOT <u>Road Naming Policy</u> addresses three types of requests:

- **1.** Naming a state road within a city
 - City must adopt a resolution
 - UDOT does not pay for replacement signs
 - One name per state road
- 2. Naming a state road within multiple jurisdictions or unincorporated county
 - Referred to Legislature
- **3.** Naming some other state transportation asset
 - Referred to Legislature
 - May approve a plaque or other recognition not visible from the main travelway



Special Designations or Memorial Highways

- No formal legislative process
- Legislature adopts designations through legislation
 - Currently 20 designations
 - Designations include entire highways, portions of highways, and one bridge
 - Some highways have multiple designations (including overlapping designations)



Designations made by the Legislature (Title 7, Chapter 4 Designation of State Highways Act)

- Section 201 I-15 Veterans Memorial Highway.
- Section 201.5 Tenth Mountain Division Memorial Highway.
- Section 202 Legacy Loop Highway.
- Section 203 Utah National Parks Highway.
- Section 204 Dinosaur Diamond Prehistoric Highway.
- Section 205 Ram Boulevard.
- Section 206 The Utah Fruitway.
- Section 207 The Purple Heart Trail.
- Section 208 James V. Hansen Highway.
- Section 209 Mormon Pioneer Heritage Area.
- Section 210
 K. Gunn McKay Highway.
- Section 211 Mike Dmitrich Highway.
- Section 212 Pete Suazo Memorial Highway.
- Section 213 Pioneer Trail Memorial Highway.
- Section 214 Cory B. Wride Memorial Highway.
 - Section 215 Vietnam Veterans Memorial Highway.
 - Section 216 Jason R. Workman Memorial Bridge.
 - Section 217 Minuteman Highway.
 - Section 218 Navajo Code Talker Highway.
 - Section 219 Grand Army of the Republic Highway.



MUTCD Guidance

- Memorial/dedication may not:
 - Appear on directional signs
 - Interfere with placement of safety/directional signs
 - Compromise safety/efficiency of traffic flow
 - Be placed in more than one location in each direction of a highway
 - Have decorative elements
- Function of highway signs
 - Regulations
 - Warnings
 - Guidance



