

Attachment 6b1:

August 1, 2024

[clayton.loflin@dot.ca.gov](mailto:clayton.loflin@dot.ca.gov)

[loren.pelley@dot.ca.gov](mailto:loren.pelley@dot.ca.gov)

Dear Clayton Loflin and Loren Pelley,

There are many streets and roads intersecting California State Route 162 in Covelo/Round Valley that are either unmarked or have signs that are difficult to see or read.

This is not only confusing for a person without prior knowledge of the area, but more concerning is the confusion caused to our emergency first responders, some of whom are new to Covelo. (As a person who relies on GPS, I can confirm that it does not always work well in our area.) In major emergencies, out of area responders, who may have never been to Covelo, rely on road signs to arrive at the emergency location as quickly as possible.

Following, please find a list and narrative of necessary repairs. Attached find photos of these intersections.

162 and Poonkinney (West)/Fairbanks (East): Poonkinney is not marked. There is a sign for Fairbanks but to be seen from the South in time to safely turn, vegetation should be removed.

162 and Wattenburg: The sign for Wattenburg is not visible from the road, heading North, due to fencing/vegetation.

162 and Grange. When traveling South, the sign for Grange is hidden behind a 25 MPH sign.

162 and Greely: The letters on the Greely sign have peeled away and the sign is illegible.

162 and Biggar: There are no green street signs on either side of the street

162 at Charlie Hurt & Mendocino Pass Rd where 162 turns East: The sign to the West reads CR 337D. This street is known to both the County and residents as Charlie Hurt Rd, and first responders have been delayed due to confusion. To the East, Mendocino Pass Rd is not marked.

162 and Barnes: No sign.

162 and Frazier: No sign.

162 and Logan: No sign.

162 and CR 343: No sign.

162and Short Creek: No sign.

We appreciate the work Caltrans continues to do to bolster our community's safety. We hope this information is helpful to you and look forward to your attention in this matter.

Sincerely,  
Pat Sobrero  
Fire and Disaster Preparedness Working Group  
Round Valley Area Municipal Advisory Council