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Temporary Political Signs Restricted in Road Rights-of-Way

(Woodland, CA) - Political candidates and committees, campaign workers, and citizens supporting or opposing a candidate or ballot measure are reminded that both state law and County ordinances restrict the placement of temporary signs, including political signs, along local highways and roads.

[Section 8-2.1205\(f\) of the Yolo County Code](#) governs the placement of temporary political signs along County roads. While such signs are allowed on private property **with landowner permission** if they meet certain timing, size, and other requirements, **temporary political signs are not allowed within the County road right-of-way**. Such rights-of-way are used solely for road and utility purposes, including mileage markers, turnouts, and hazard and directional signs.

State law applicable to state highways contains similar restrictions. [Section 5405.3 of the State Outdoor Advertising Act](#) exempts the placement of "Temporary Political Signs" from state outdoor advertising laws. However, like Yolo County, **the state prohibits the placement of temporary political signs within the state highway right-of-way**. In addition, signs cannot be visible within 660 feet from the edge of the right-of-way of a classified "landscaped freeway." In Yolo County, portions of Interstate Highways 80 and 5 as well as State Highways 113 and 275 are classified as landscaped freeways. All signs lawfully placed outside a state highway right-of-way must include a "statement of responsibility" filed with the Caltrans' Outdoor Advertising Program in Sacramento.

The cities of [Davis](#), [West Sacramento](#), [Winters](#), and [Woodland](#) also regulate temporary signs. Campaigns and campaign workers are encouraged to review the ordinances adopted by each city.

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