

Traffic Control Plan for Lone Star Celtic Festival and Highland Games

Objective:

The primary goal of the traffic control plan for the Lone Star Celtic Festival and Highland Games is to ensure the safe and efficient flow of vehicles during ingress and egress, thereby safeguarding the physical safety of all attendees. This plan aims to minimize congestion, prevent accidents, and provide clear guidance for drivers navigating to and from the event venue.

Pre-Event Preparation:

1. **Traffic Assessment:** Conduct a thorough assessment of traffic patterns and potential congestion points surrounding the event venue.
2. **Coordination with Authorities:** Collaborate with local law enforcement, traffic management agencies, and municipal authorities to coordinate traffic control efforts and obtain necessary permits.
3. **Route Planning:** Identify primary ingress and egress routes to the festival grounds, considering factors such as road capacity, proximity to parking areas, and nearby landmarks.
4. **Communication Strategy:** Develop a communication strategy to inform attendees about recommended routes, parking options, and any road closures or detours via the festival website, social media channels, and email.

On-Site Traffic Management:

1. **Traffic Signage:** Install clear and visible signage along key routes directing drivers to the festival entrance and designated parking areas. Use signage to indicate speed limits, pedestrian crossings, and any temporary traffic control measures.
2. **Parking Attendants:** Deploy trained parking attendants to guide vehicles into designated parking lots in an orderly manner. Ensure attendants are equipped with reflective vests and illuminated wands for visibility during low-light conditions.
3. **Traffic Flow Monitoring:** Continuously monitor traffic flow using designated staff members stationed at strategic points to identify and address any bottlenecks or congestion promptly.
4. **Emergency Access Routes:** Maintain clear emergency access routes throughout the festival grounds to facilitate the ingress and egress of emergency vehicles at all times.

Post-Event Traffic Management:

1. **Continuous Egress Management:** Implement a flexible egress strategy to accommodate the continuous flow of attendees entering and exiting the event throughout the day. Rather than a mass exodus at the event's conclusion, focus on maintaining smooth traffic flow by providing clear signage and guidance for attendees departing at various times. Adjust traffic control measures as needed to address fluctuations in attendance and ensure safe passage for vehicles exiting the festival grounds.

2. **Parking Lot Guidance:** Direct drivers exiting parking lots onto designated egress routes using signage and attendants to prevent conflicts and ensure a smooth flow of traffic.
3. **Traffic Control Personnel:** Assign traffic control personnel to manage intersections, pedestrian crossings, and other critical points during peak egress periods to maintain order and safety.
4. **Post-Event Assessment:** Conduct a post-event assessment to evaluate the effectiveness of the traffic control plan, gather feedback from attendees, and identify areas for improvement in future iterations.

By implementing this comprehensive traffic control plan, we aim to prioritize the safety and well-being of all attendees at the Lone Star Celtic Festival and Highland Games while enhancing the overall event experience.