Install Advance Traffic Control Warning Signs

Warning sign bearing a symbol of the approach’s intersection control type (i.e., stop or yield).

**Targeted Crash Types**
- Right-angle
- Rear-end (major road)
- Rear-end (minor road)

**Conditions Addressed**
- Poor visibility of the intersection traffic control from one or more approaches.

**Problems Addressed**
- Inadequate visibility of intersection or intersection traffic control devices

**Considerations**
- An Advance Street Name (W16-8P or W16-8aP) plaque and/or Warning Beacon may be installed with the warning sign.
- If the visibility issue or condition is only present on one approach, this treatment may be used only on that approach.
- An Advance Traffic Control (W3-1 or W3-2) sign may be used for additional emphasis even when the visibility distance to the traffic control device is satisfactory.

**Industry Standard**

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Section 2C.36: Advance Traffic Control Signs (W3-1, W3-2, W3-3, W3-4), Figure 2A-4 (Use of Sign Shapes)

Table 2C-4 (Guidelines for Advance Placement of Warning Signs)

**Other Resources**

*Intersection Safety: A Manual for Local Rural Road Owners, FHWA*

**Select Examples**

Wickham Rd. & Stadium Pkwy., Viera, FL
Howsers Branch Dr. & US 50, Aldie, VA

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Source: Lee Engineering, LLC

These Stop Ahead signs warn road users of an upcoming STOP sign.

Source: VHB

The Yield Ahead sign provides advance warning along this approach of the yield condition that lies just ahead.