| SAN DIEGO COUNTY AND CITY UTILITY TRENCH MORATORIUMS | | | |
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| City | Slurry Moratorium Length | Pavement Moratorium Length | Exceptions Allowed |
| City of Chula Vista | - | 5 years on newly constructed and reconstructed streets and for streets receiving overlays and treatments one-inch thick or greater | Trench repair requirements for streets under moratorium: Lateral trenches (perpendicular to the curb) - extend T-cut grind and overlay limits to 10 feet beyond each side of the trench and over the entire lane that is impacted (regardless of street classification). Longitudinal trenches (parallel to the curb) - no change. |
| City of Coronado | 12 months on slurry seals | 24 months on street overlays | N/A |
| County of San Diego | 3 years on all pavement preservation (AC and seals) | 3 years on all pavement preservation (AC and seals) | Emergency repairs to utility systems resulting cutting of pavement are not exempt from the moratorium; if the City concurs with a request for cutting through pavement during the moratorium repairs shall include resurfacing the entire width of the affected road and the method of resurfacing shall be the same as adjacent pavement |
| City of Escondido | 3 years on a resurfacing | 3 years on a resurfacing | Exemptions include, but are not limited to, performance of emergency work, work initiated by municipal improvement projects, the installation of new customer service, and work mandated by city, state or federal requirements. Full street resurfacing will be required for trenching during the moratorium period. |
| City of La Mesa | 3 years on all newly overlaid or chip-sealed streets | 3 years on all newly overlaid or chip-sealed streets | Exceptions include: a) Where geological conditions prohibit boring; b) Where there is a lack of working space for bore pits at each end of the street crossing bore; c) When an open trench is required to expose existing distribution facilities in street to terminate or establish service lines, or to provide emergency repair of existing underground facilities; d) Where existing facilities in street conflict with proposed bore; e) When joint trench use is required and if within 200 feet of an open sewer or water trench, consideration will be given to an open trench; and, f) Where unusual circumstances are present and the Director of Public Works finds that the public interest is best served by allowing such a cut. |
| City of Lemon Grove | 3 years on all new, reconstructed or resurfaced city roads | 3 years on all new, reconstructed or resurfaced city roads | Exemptions granted by the surveyor |
| City of Poway | 1 year on slurry seals | 3 years on overlays | Exceptions include: a) Emergency which endangers life or property; b) Interruption of essential utility service; c) Work that is mandated by City, State or Federal legislation; d) Service for building where no other reasonable means of providing service exists, and 3) Other situations upon a finding by the Director of Development Services that the public benefit outweighs the damage done to the street by excavation |
| City of San Diego | 3 years on slurry seals | - | City Engineer may grant an excavation moratorium waiver if one or more of the following are present: a) A bona fide emergency exists that endangers the health and safety or property of the citizenry and requires an excavation in order to remediate the emergency b) New service to a specific location cannot be provided either through existing conduit, where trenchless technology is impractical due to soil conditions, proximity of facilities or economically impractical, and the public utility demonstrates the City Engineer's satisfaction that the service cannot be provided from another location c) The installation or relocation of facilities by a non-government owned public utility is both required by the City, County, State or Federal Government and not required as a result of an underground utility district, and d) Only a non-linear excavation or exploratory excavation will be made. |
| City of Vista | 1 year on slurry seals | 3 years on street overlays or reconstructions | Exceptions for emergency activities. |