

**ADDENDUM**  
**to**  
**TIGER TAIL PRESENTATION**

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After the original presentation materials were prepared and submitted, I was informed that the Roads and Traffic division has realized that a mistake was made when the construction-orange tiger tails were attached to stop signs because the colour construction-orange is not in compliance with the Ontario Traffic Manual. The Roads and Traffic division has apparently indicated that they will be removing all of the construction-orange tiger tails that have been installed.

This new information, while for the most part meeting the requests in the original submission, raises other pressing questions which should be answered after a complete investigation by Roads and Traffic with a report submitted to the Public Works Committee within two months, answering the following questions:

1. **Overall, how did this "mistake" happen?** It would appear that the approved use of construction-orange signs for "temporary conditions" (mostly construction zones) is, or should be, known to anyone with education in traffic engineering.
2. **Exactly how much did this "mistake" cost the taxpayers of Hamilton?** Specifically, **what were the capital costs of the materials** used, and **what were the labour costs** involved? Similarly, **what are the labour costs for taking down the tiger tails?**
3. **Were these tiger tails specially ordered?** No other jurisdiction in Ontario appears to use these markers.
4. **What firm was awarded the contract?**
5. **Under whose authority was this program of attaching construction-orange tiger tails to stop signs initiated?**

**Specifically related to the tiger tails installed at Balmoral and Justine:** why was *any* sort of work order issued to change anything at that intersection when we know that:

- (1) the original "issue" -- that the intersection needed a two-way stop -- was completely in error: the intersection has had a two-way stop for years; and
- (2) traffic engineering's evaluation of the intersection was: "Good sightlines. No problem discovered."

**Why are we spending money to correct non-existent problems?**