



Authorized Haul Routes

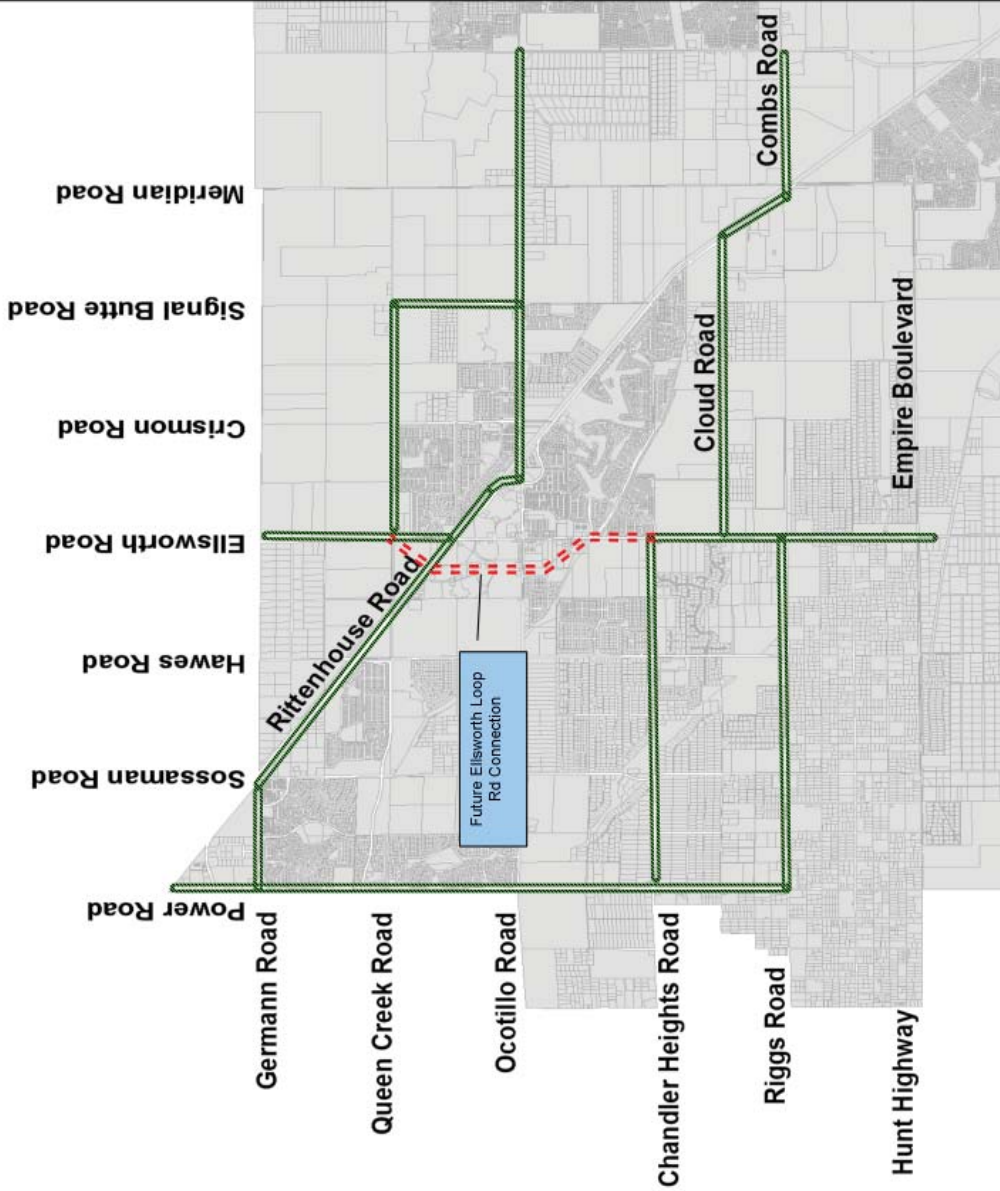
Trucks may operate on the predetermined haul routes as shown.

If trucks deviate from the routes shown, a declared haul route must be submitted and approved by the Town.

Route



Map date: October 2007



Note: Authorized haul routes are subject to periodic changes based on on-going development of the Town's Circulation Plan.



Material Haul Routes and Over-Size Loads



Violation of the Town Code is a Class-1 misdemeanor.

(Chapter 1, Article 1-8)

Hauling operations and over-size and over-weight loads have a significant impact on the community, affecting public safety, traffic congestion, air quality and the condition and lifespan of Town roads. As such, hauling operations are regulated by Chapter 11 (Traffic) of the Town Code. Section 11-3-7 states that any operator of a haul route that utilizes Town streets is "...required to develop, submit and utilize an approved haul route."

How do I know if I need a haul route?

A haul is typically considered to be any operation that moves materials or equipment (on roads other than designated haul routes) and utilizes a minimum of five (5) vehicles (10-wheel trucks or larger) in a one-hour period. Since the impacts of hauling operations on the community vary with the location and nature of the operation, this definition is subject to change at the discretion of the Town. A haul route plan may be required for a smaller number of trucks.

Are there designated haul routes?

Yes, the Town has designated certain key roads as truck routes. These routes are selected to avoid problem areas and minimize conflicts with other traffic. Trucks using these designated routes are not required to apply for haul route approval. Due to the on-going construction of new roads and traffic signals, haul routes are updated periodically. Updated route maps are available on the Transportation page of the Town Web site www.queencreek.org. To receive e-mail updates, send an e-mail to: traffic@queencreek.org requesting to be added to the haul route e-mail list.



How do I get an approved haul route?

Haul routes are established by submitting a Traffic Control Plan Application (TCPA) and a Traffic Control Plan (TCP) to the Town for review a minimum of 48-hours prior to the start of the haul. Town staff will review the submittal, require changes to the route if necessary, and notify the applicant of the approval status.

The plan should be developed recognizing that all equipment being used in the approved haul shall follow the established route at all times. If the haul involves left turns in or out of the haul site at other than an established intersection, certified flaggers will be required to be present whenever hauling operations are taking place.

The Traffic Control Plan must include the following items, at a minimum:

- Origin and destination of the haul route;
- A clear and legible plan or map illustrating the proposed haul, or portion of the haul route within Town limits, showing all roadways on which the haul is proposed, crossing arterials and the route to be traveled;
- Frequency, number and nature of trucks involved in the haul;
- Proposed hours of operation. Off-peak hours in Queen Creek are considered to be weekdays from 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m.;
- Location and number of certified flaggers (typically required when trucks are entering or leaving the right-of-way at a point of origin and/or destination, and at the discretion of the Town, when trucks are turning across traffic); and
- Copy of current Maricopa County Dust Permit (if applicable).

Haul routes will not be permitted through areas where active school crossing controls are in place or during peak travel times. Additional restrictions on truck movements are in place in the Town Center area, including a prohibition of right turns at Ocotillo and Ellsworth roads. Other restrictions may be in place due to special conditions or on-going construction activities.

Over-size or over-weight loads

Loads that are considered over-size or over-weight are required to possess a valid permit issued from the jurisdiction at the point of origin (refer to Section 11-2-5 of the Town Code). Applicants will be required to file a routing request with the Town of Queen Creek in accordance with the haul route guidelines described. Requests will be reviewed based on various considerations and the Town may require alternate routing, use of off-duty law enforcement officers, etc. Additional application requirements, route restrictions and costs may also apply to hauls involving over-size or over-weight vehicles or hazardous materials.

For additional information about the application process or whether an operation must have an approved haul route, please call the Traffic Information Line at 480-358-3132 or e-mail inquiries to traffic@queencreek.org.



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