

FARIBAULT COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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## Children at Play Sign Policy

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## **BACKGROUND:**

No factual evidence has been presented to document the success of these signs to reduce pedestrian accidents, operating speeds or legal liability.

Minnesota law does not recognize the use of "Children at Play" signs.

Children should not be encouraged to play within the street or highway. The sign has long been rejected since it is a direct and open suggestion that this behavior is acceptable.

## **POLICY STATEMENT:**

Public Works will advise homeowner that these signs do not work and may provide a false sense of security.

If homeowner insists on installing signs the following conditions will apply:

Homeowner pays for the signs and installation.

Signs will be removed when youngest child reaches the age of 14