FUNCTIONAL CLASSIFICATION

Interstate System – The Interstate System consists of all presently designated freeway routes meeting the Interstate geometric and construction standards for future traffic. The Interstate System is the highest classification of arterial roads and streets and provides the highest level of mobility, at the highest speed, for a long uninterrupted distance.

(Maintenance Functional class "A")

Other Arterials – These consist of limited access freeways, multilane highways, and other important highways supplementing the Interstate System that connect, as directly as practicable, the Nation's principal urbanized areas, cities, and industrial centers; serve the national defense; and connect at suitable border points with routes of continental importance. (Maintenance Functional Class "B" and "C")

Collectors – The collectors provide both land access service and traffic circulation within residential neighborhoods, commercial and industrial areas, and downtown city centers. Collectors connect local roads and streets with arterials and provide less mobility than arterials at lower speeds and for shorter distance. (Maintenance Functional Class "D")

Locals - The local roads and streets provide a high level of access to abutting land but limited mobility. (Maintenance Functional Class "E")