

## Purpose

Runaway truck ramps are designed to permit tractor-trailers or 28' trailer combinations (pups) on steep grades to exit the roadway and safely stop without endangering other drivers and vehicles in the event of brake failure. Ramps are often graded with gravel or similar material so that a tractor-trailer may smoothly exit off the road without incident.

## Situation

Runaway truck ramps are used on mountain roads where there is a long or steep grade with an abrupt maneuver at the bottom. Ramps are also used on steep grades entering into an area of dense traffic. An accident history is a useful tool in determining locations where a truck cannot make a sharp curve or enter an area of traffic.

## Locations

U.S. 431, Guntersville, AL. Across from Guntersville High School next to the South Gate Shopping Center. Facility is a gravel drive, about a tenth of a mile.

Anniston Eastern Bypass, Anniston, AL. North of Henry Road. Southbound. Facility is dirt or gravel, approximately .2 miles uphill.