

Subject: Defective Master Cylinder Reservoir Cap

Vehicle Involved: 2001 Toyota Highlander

Condition: Abnormal brake noise and increased pedal stroke when the brakes are applied

Repair Procedure: On certain 2001 Model Year Toyota Highlander vehicles, the reservoir filler cap of the brake master cylinder may induce a vacuum, introducing some air into the brake master cylinder reservoir. This may cause abnormal brake noise and increased pedal stroke when the brakes are applied. In the worst case, the increased pedal stroke will lengthen the stopping distance of the vehicle, raising the risk of an accident.

Remove the cap and apply the brake pedal numerous times. If the noise goes away and the pedal stroke has decreased, contact Toyota dealer for a warranty repair and part replacement.

Toyota will replace the brake master reservoir cap with a revised component at no cost. In addition they will bleed the brake hydraulic system and test drive to verify the repair.

