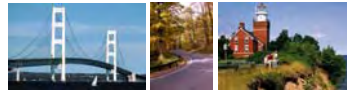


### Session 6:

## MDOT CONTEXT SENSITIVE SOLUTIONS POLICY AND PROCEDURES



### Governor's Executive Directive

No. 2003 – 25, dated Dec. 23, 2003 titled:  
**Context Sensitive Design for  
Transportation Projects**



Defines CSS as:

**“A collaborative, interdisciplinary approach involving stakeholders for the development of a transportation facility that fits its physical setting and preserves scenic, aesthetic, historic, and environmental resources, while maintaining safety and mobility.”**

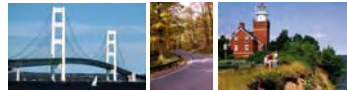
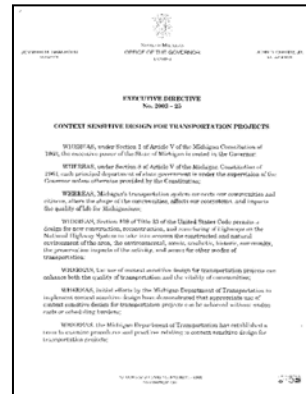


## Governor's Executive Directive



Recognizes:

- Importance of transportation systems
- Section 109 of Title 23 of the US Code
- Enhancement opportunities
- Achievable without undue costs



## Governor's Executive Directive



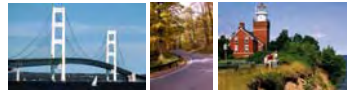
Directs MDOT to:

- Incorporate CSS into projects
- Encourage and institutionalize CSS
- Create educational programs
- Expand tools for use with CSS
- Prepare Guiding Principles
- Invite participation by various groups to contribute in the development of policies



Merrick Street Bridge, Adrian, MI

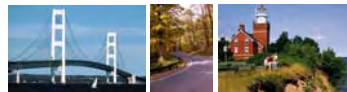




## Transportation Commission Policy

Incorporates CSS into MDOT's transportation Program consistent with CSS principles:

- Early and continuous public involvement
- Effective decision making
- Reflecting community values
- Achieving environmental stewardship
- Ensuring safe and feasible integrated solutions
- Protecting scenic resources
- Achieving aesthetically pleasing solutions



## Implementation Plan

Draft MDOT Implementation Plan  
Dated December 13, 2004, titled:

“Context Sensitive Solutions”

Recommendations drafted by the MDOT CSS Team using input from over 60 stakeholder organizations



Mackinac Bridge, MI



## Implementation Plan

### List of Recommendations:

- Partnering
- Public engagement
- Flexibility in design
- Education
- Mobility
- Corridor approach
- Transition plan
- Measurements



## Conclusion

MDOT is committed to implementing CSS throughout its organization as required by the Governor's Executive Directive and Transportation Commission Policy.

