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RE: Transition to 2011 Michigan Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MMUTCD)

Dear Mr. Niemela and Ms. Minnick:

On December 1, 2011, the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) and Michigan State Police (MSP) released the *2011 Michigan Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MMUTCD)*. Both MDOT and MSP, per state law, are responsible for the MMUTCD. The State of Michigan has adopted the *2009 Federal Manual on Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD)* with Michigan amendments. The amendments address those items in the Michigan Vehicle Code that conflict with the *2009 Federal Manual on Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD)* and Special Items unique to Michigan.

To best implement the new MMUTCD, the Federal Highway Administration has agreed to the following compliance dates for traffic control devices on upcoming federal-aid projects:

- Projects let after October 1, 2012, will be required to be designed according to the *2011 Michigan Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MMUTCD)*.
- Projects let before October 1, 2012, may be designed to the *2005 Michigan Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MMUTCD)*.

The *2011 Michigan Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MMUTCD)* is available from two sources:

1. The MDOT Web site at <http://mdotwas1.mdot.state.mi.us/public/tands/plans.cfm>
2. From MDOT Maps and Publications.

Listed below is what is available from each location:

MDOT Website

- *2011 Michigan Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MMUTCD)* (2009 Federal MUTCD with Michigan amendments)
- *2009 Federal Manual on Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD)*

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- 2011 MMUTCD Changes to the 2009 Federal MUTCD
- Individual *2011 Michigan Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices* (MMUTCD) Sections

All above documents are available in Acrobat.pdf format

MDOT Maps and Publications

- *2011 Michigan Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices* (MMUTCD) (2009 Federal MUTCD with Michigan amendments)
- Part 6 Temporary Traffic Control

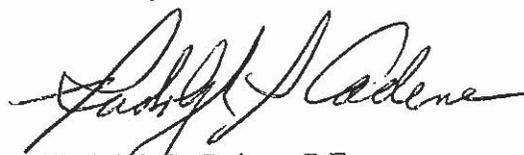
Therefore, based on the schedule noted above, MDOT Local Agency Programs (LAP) will expect all projects turned in for a grade inspection after Tuesday, May 1, 2012, will be designed using the *2011 Michigan Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices* (MMUTCD). Using the May 1, 2012 date will put the project on schedule for the October 5, 2012 letting.

Please provide your members with this information, and if you have agencies which have holdover projects, please have them contact the appropriate Local Agency Programs unit supervisor list below:

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If you have any further questions regarding this request please contact me, at (517) 335-2233.

Sincerely,



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