

Design Standards Letter

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TO ALL DIVISION, DISTRICT AND URBAN ENGINEERS:

In reviewing special provisions for some of the more recent projects, we have noted that some Districts called for temporary surfacing in handling local traffic under certain conditions, with payment of such temporary surfacing to be made at the contract price bid for granular surface.

Recently a committee was set up to revise and/or rewrite our Standard Specifications. At a recent meeting the committee discussed the question of setting up temporary surfacing in providing for local traffic during construction. It was agreed that in no case would we set up such temporary surfacing in the original contract. Then, if the Resident Engineer considers it essential to use temporary surfacing material in handling local traffic during construction he shall prepare a change order to pay the contractor for only the cost of the surfacing material so ordered; the placing, maintaining and removing of such surfacing materials shall be at the contractor's own expense.

It is requested that the above requirement be adhered to insofar as local traffic is concerned. This requirement applies only to the handling of local traffic and does not alter present practice with regard to through traffic.

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