

# Design Standards Letter

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## Body

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ALL DIVISION, DISTRICT AND URBAN ENGINEERS AND CHIEF COUNSEL:

At the present time, all Federal Aid projects financed with Urban funds are identified by one of the following prefixes in the project number; U, UG, US, USG, SU, or SUG. These projects are listed on the Award Sheets under the appropriate system (Major or Supplementary) as "Urban:" projects.

In order to obtain the total cost of all work done in the various Urban Areas, it is also necessary to identify other construction projects located within such areas, but not financed with Federal Aid Urban funds. This will involve the following types of projects:

- (1) Interstate (I, IG) Projects
- (2) Federal Aid Primary (F, FG) Projects
- (3) State Projects (Financed 100% State funds)

The addition of the letters (UA) following the project number, will insure proper identification. The following are examples of the treatment applied to each of the three categories listed above:

- (1) Interstate I-70-1(16)10, (UA)
- (2) Federal Aid Primary F-71-5(8)72, (UA)
- (3) State CO26-50(3), (UA)

The letters "UA" mean Urban Area, and although they follow the project number, they are not intended to be a part of the project number.

If a project is located partly within and partly outside of an urban area, the portion located within the urban area will carry the urban designation with a section letter, such as Project I-70-1(16)10, Section A, (UA). No identification is needed for urban sections of minor length

(under 3400 feet), since they should normally be considered as an incidental part of the larger rural section. Likewise, any project located almost entirely within an urban area need not be split out for a minor rural section.

The urban designations need be shown only on the title sheet and at the Urban limits (approximate station, if such limits are indefinite) on the plan sheets. A separate estimate and summary sheet are required for the Urban work since it will be necessary to separate this cost on the Award Sheet.

As you know, urban areas have been established for all towns with a population of 5000 or more for the purpose of setting up areas where Federal Aid Urban funds can be expended. These areas do not necessarily coincide with incorporated city limits. Maps showing Urban limits have been furnished to all Districts, but in case additional copies are needed, they will be furnished upon request.

The requirements of this letter are effective immediately on all projects submitted for letting.

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