

Memorandum

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To: CHIEF DEPUTY DIRECTOR
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Subject: **IMPLEMENTATIONS OF THE 2015 CALTRANS CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT STANDARDS**

This memorandum establishes the implementation date for the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) Construction Contract Standards (2015 Standards). The 2015 Standards include the Standard Specifications, Standard Plans, Standard Special Provisions, Standard Bid Items, Notice to Bidders, and Bid Book.

The 2015 Standards shall be used on all projects that Ready to List after June 30, 2016. All on-system projects advertised, awarded and administered by others with encroachment permits issued by the district after June 30, 2016, shall use the 2015 Standards. Districts are encouraged to use the 2015 Standards before June 30, 2016 in order to reduce bidder confusion and minimize contract administration difficulties. The 2010 Standards will not be supported after June 30, 2017.

Training for the 2015 Standards will be provided by the Division of Engineering Services-Office Engineer (DES-OE) in the first quarter of the 2016 calendar year. The 2015 Standards are currently available at: http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/esc/oe/construction_standards.html. DES-OE will send out a notice when the printed versions have been delivered. Subsequently, Caltrans staff should contact their Manual Coordinators to request copies and external users should contact the Department's Publications Distribution Unit for copies at: <http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/dpac/publicat.htm>.

The implementation of the 2015 Standards has been shared and concurred with Design Management Board at their September 2015 meeting. If you have any questions about the 2015 Standards, please contact John McMillan, Deputy Division Chief, Division of Engineering Services at (916) 227-6300.

c: Design Management Board
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