

Memorandum

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To: DEPUTY DISTRICT DIRECTORS
DIVISION CHIEFS

Date: April 22, 2016

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From: THOMAS P. HALLENBECK
Chief
Traffic Operations

Subject: **IMPLEMENTATION OF THE REVISED 2010 AND 2015 ELECTRICAL STANDARDS**

In order to achieve statewide standardization in the design of electrical systems, the Office of Traffic Engineering has updated the 2010 and 2015 electrical standards for use in projects on the State Highway System. The revised electrical standards include revised standard specifications (RSS), revised standard plans (RSPs), standard special provisions (SSPs), and standard bid item codes.

In accordance with Chief Engineer Karla Sutliff's December 16, 2015 memorandum, *Implementation of the 2015 Caltrans Construction Contract Standards* (attached), the 2015 Standards shall be used for all projects on the State Highway System that are Ready To List after June 30, 2016.

For projects using the 2015 Standards, the districts must include the 2015 electrical SSPs posted at: http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/esc/oe/2015_SSPs.php

For projects using the 2010 Standards, all projects submitted to Division of Engineering Services-Office Engineer (DES-OE) after May 6, 2016, must use the RSPs, SSPs, and bid item codes that were published on April 15, 2016.

For projects using the 2010 Standards and have been submitted to DES-OE by May 6, 2016, no changes to submittals will be required. Ignacio Sanchez del Real, Senior Transportation Electrical Engineer, DES-OE, will be tracking these projects and working with the Bid Book Assembly Unit to incorporate the RSS dated January 15, 2016. Mr. Sanchez del Real can be reached at (916) 227-6264, or by e-mail at <ignacio.sanchez.del.real@dot.ca.gov>.

Projects currently advertised or under construction do not require the updated electrical standards.

Current guidance documents on how to use the revised electrical standards are available at the following Intranet web site: <http://traffic.onramp.dot.ca.gov/edg>. For any questions regarding this memo, please contact Theresa Gabriel, Senior Transportation Electrical Engineer, Office of Traffic Engineering at (916) 654-5039, or by e-mail at <theresa.a.gabriel@dot.ca.gov>.

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Attachment

Memorandum dated December 16, 2015, *Implementation of the 2015 Caltrans
Construction Contract Standards*

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To: CHIEF DEPUTY DIRECTOR
DEPUTY DIRECTORS
DISTRICT DIRECTORS
DIVISION CHIEFS

Date: December 16, 2015

File:

From: 
KARLA SUTLIFF
Chief Engineer
Project Delivery

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
Project Management Board
John McMillan, Deputy Division Chief, Division of Engineering Services