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MEMORANDUM TO: Doug Galyon, Chair, Board of Transportation
Nancy Dunn, Board of Transportation
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FROM: Art McMillan, PE
State Highway Design Engineer

DATE: April 4, 2008

SUBJECT: Adherence to Policies to Accommodate Bicycle and Pedestrian Needs in Bridge Replacement Projects

This memo is to serve as documentation of a meeting that was held in my office on March 13, 2008 regarding perceived changes in current policies to accommodate bicycle and pedestrian needs as part of bridge replacement projects. Those in attendance were Jay Bennett, Roadway Design Unit Head, Greg Perfetti, Structure Design Unit Head, Bill Goodwin, Bridge Replacement Project Development Unit Head, and Tom Norman, Director of the Bicycle/Pedestrian Division. Terry Gibson was unable to attend but provided written comments.

After discussion, those in attendance agreed that there has been no change in the Department's current pedestrian and bicycle policies (attached for your reference). If there is a proven need and it is within the Department's policy to accommodate for bicycle, pedestrians, and greenways by providing wider shoulders and higher bridge rails, then those provisions will be made. The recent suggestions to reduce bridge replacement project costs do not adversely affect the current Department policies regarding bicycle and pedestrian accommodations.

During the meeting it was agreed that the Bridge Replacement Unit Head will follow the current bicycle and pedestrian policies during the development of documents for TIP bridge replacement projects. Recommendations to accommodate for bicycles and pedestrians where there is a proven need and in accordance with Departmental policies will be included on new or replacement bridges.

If there are any questions regarding this information, please let me know.

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