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To: L&S Locating Engineers
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From: C. W. Brown, PE, PLS
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Subject: "Work Zone – Stay Alert" Signs on L&S Projects

In recognizing that our work zones are official work zones, NCDOT's Safety Committee has approved the use of the "Work Zone – Stay Alert" signs on our projects. Please contact Mike Hensley about ordering the portable versions for your crews.

It has been agreed to use these signs under certain conditions. The "Work Zone – Stay Alert" sign is not a regulatory sign, nor a warning sign. As such, it does not replace any other sign required in our work zones by the MUTCD or our own signing standards. It will be our policy to use these signs along with others as required on all high volume/high speed roads or multi-lane roads such as an interstate section or urban roadway. On other roads, the use of these signs will be at your discretion. Any exceptions to this should be discussed with your Area Engineer.

As with any signing in our work zones, these signs should be within a reasonably close proximity to the work crews. Signs should not be used unless personnel are on or in near proximity to the roadway. If signs are used and the crew will be off the road for a substantial time (such as lunch), where reasonable signs should be taken down or turned around.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter. If you have questions or comments, please contact your Area Engineer or me. We should all remember that safety is the number one priority for us and for the travelling public.

CWB

Cc: Ms. D. M. Barbour, PE

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