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Dear Mr. Bailey:

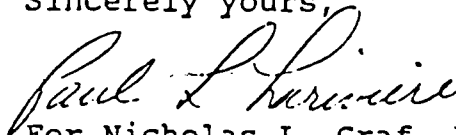
Subject: Use of Signs to Designate "Begin Project" and "End Project" and Contractor Identification Signs

Occasionally during the review of work zone traffic control, a question is raised concerning the required use of small black on white signs with the message "Begin Project" and "End Project." These signs appear on page 59 of North Carolina's supplement to the MUTCD. This is to advise you there is no federal-aid requirement for erection of these signs. The signs simply serve as a convenient method to identify federal-aid project limits, the area between which convict labor cannot be used (23 CFR 635.124). The State may continue to use these signs if so desired.

Another question sometimes raised concerns the use of contractor identification signs. This type promotional or other informational signs such as identification of public officials, contractors, organizational affiliations, and related symbols or logos are prohibited on federal-aid projects (23 CFR 635.309).

As a reminder, we suggest the above information be provided to the Divisions and appropriate field engineers. If you have any questions, please contact us.

Sincerely yours,



For Nicholas L. Graf, P.E.
Division Administrator

cc: .

Mr. B. G. Jenkins, P.E.

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