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**DCE MEMORANDUM NO. 21-15**  
**DME MEMORANDUM NO. 15-05**  
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**TO:** DISTRICT CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERS  
DISTRICT MAINTENANCE ENGINEERS

**FROM:** David A. Sadler, P.E., Director, Office of Construction  
Rudy Powell, Jr., P.E., Director, Office of Maintenance

**COPIES:** Tom Byron, Amy Tootle, Bob Burleson, Nick Finch, Rafiq Darji

**SUBJECT:** W-BEAM GUARDRAIL PANELS

Two handwritten signatures in blue ink are present. The top signature appears to be "David A. Sadler" and the bottom signature appears to be "Rudy Powell, Jr.". The signatures are written over the "FROM:" field of the memorandum.

Effective July 1, 2014 lettings, the Design Standards, Index 400, required W-Beam guardrail panels with additional post bolt slots located at 3'-1 ½" center to center to accommodate the post being installed offset from the lap splice. These panels may also be used on new guardrail installations or repairs on projects let prior to the effective date.

If you have any questions, please contact Stefanie Maxwell in Construction at (850) 414-4314 or [Stefanie.Maxwell@dot.state.fl.us](mailto:Stefanie.Maxwell@dot.state.fl.us) or Kristin McCrary in Maintenance at (850) 410-5694 or [Kristin.McCrary@dot.state.fl.us](mailto:Kristin.McCrary@dot.state.fl.us)

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