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Subject: 2004 Design Standards - Index 304 Curb Ramps, Index 310 Concrete Sidewalk, Index 515 Turnouts

Please be advised of significant revisions to curb ramp widths and walkaround widths in the 2004 Design Standards as follows:

1. Index 304 Curb Ramps: In the 2004 booklet, many ramp widths previously shown to be 3' minimum were revised to 4'. In addition, for those still shown to be 3', the July 2004 Specifications Workbook (for July 2004 lettings) includes special provision language changing these to 4'. Additional special provision language allows for the 4' width to be reduced to 3' minimum "in restricted conditions when approved by the Engineer" for certain curb ramp configurations.
2. Index 310 Concrete Sidewalk: The July 2004 Specifications Workbook includes special provision language to revise the 3' minimum width for the driveway walkaround shown in the booklet, to 4' standard with a note allowing a reduction to 3' minimum in restricted conditions when approved by the Engineer.
3. Index 515 Turnouts: In the 2004 booklet, walkaround widths at driveways previously shown to be 3' minimum were revised to 4'. The July 2004 Specifications Workbook includes special provision language allowing for the 4' width to be reduced to 3' minimum in restricted conditions when approved by the Engineer.

The change to 4' is based on proposed ADA regulations scheduled to begin rulemaking later this year. FDOT language allowing for 3' minimum in restricted conditions is based on current ADA regulations. Therefore, for now, it is not necessary to make a determination of infeasibility to use 3' minimum. If the proposed ADA regulations are adopted as currently written, the FDOT's allowance for 3' minimum in restricted conditions will be modified according to the final rule.

Please advise appropriate staff and consultants. If you have any questions, please contact me at 850-414-4377, or Jim Mills at 850-414-4318.

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