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Specification: SP7450000

Subject: Traffic Monitoring Site Inductive Loop Assembly

Origination date: June 22, 2010

Originator: Walton Jones
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Problem statement: 745-3.3 incorrectly calls for 3 turns of wire in the loop assembly. 745-2.1, 2.2, & 2.3 need more detailed description and references to wire type. 745-3.2 needs revised saw slot depths. 745-3.6 needs an update on homerun cable length limits.

Proposed solution: Correct 745-3.3 to read "four" turns of wire. Provide more detailed description in 745-2 for material requirements of loop wire, shielded lead-in cable and splicing. Correct 745-3.2 to reflect updated slot depths of 3" to 3-1/2". Add 75-ft. minimum distance requirements for the use of shielded homerun cable in 745-3.6.

Information source:

Recommended Usage Note: 745-70 Items

Estimated fiscal impact, if implemented:

Implementation of these changes, if and when approved, will begin with the January 2011 letting.

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M E M O R A N D U M

DATE: July 13, 2010

TO: Specification Review Distribution List

FROM: Rudy Powell, Jr., P.E., State Specifications Engineer

SUBJECT: Proposed Specification: 7450000 Traffic Monitoring Site Inductive Loop Assembly

In accordance with Specification Development Procedures, we are sending you a copy of a proposed specification change.

The changes are proposed by Walton Jones to correct references to payment for grounding and to change solar panel power output requirements to meet the power demands of equipment being used at data collection sites around the state.

Please share this proposal with others within your responsibility. Review comments are due within four weeks and should be sent to Mail Station 75 or to my attention via e-mail at ST986RP or rudy.powell@dot.state.fl.us. Comments received after **August 11, 2010** may not be considered. Your input is encouraged.

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Attachment

TRAFFIC MONITORING SITE INDUCTIVE LOOP ASSEMBLY.
(REV ~~10-25-01~~*6-22-10*) ~~(FA 12-21-01) (1-10)~~

PAGE 813. The following new Section is added after Section 715:

SECTION 745
TRAFFIC MONITORING SITE
INDUCTIVE LOOP ASSEMBLY

745-1 Description.

Install Traffic Monitoring Site (TMS) Inductive Loop Assembly at the location(s) shown in the plans.

745-2 Materials.

Use Inductive Loop Assembly components listed on the Department's Approved Products List (APL) as compatible with the other components installed at the location meeting the following requirements:

745-2.1 Loop Wire: *Use #12 AWG stranded copper wire with Type XHHW cross-linked polyethylene insulation, or #14 AWG stranded copper wire with Type XHHW cross-linked polyethylene insulation and an additional outer sleeve composed of polyvinylchloride or polyethylene insulation that meets the requirements of IMSA 51-7.*

745-2.2 Shielded Lead-In Cable: *Use #14 AWG two conductor, stranded copper wire with shield and polyethylene insulation, meeting the requirements for IMSA 50-2.*

745-2.3 Splicing: *Use closed end electrical crimp sleeves or threaded twist-on sleeves for physical connection of wire ends. Wire ends and sleeves will be totally immersed in the approved splice sealant as shown in the Design Standards, Index 17900.*

~~Loop Wire.....Section 660*~~
~~Lead-In Cable.....Section 660**~~
~~Splicing Material.....Section 660~~
~~Loop Sealant.....Section 660~~
~~Pull and Junction Boxes.....Section 635***~~
~~Conduit.....Section 630~~
~~*Use only #12 AWG wire.~~
~~**Use #14 AWG wire.~~
~~***Ensure that the body is constructed of concrete and the lid is cast iron or steel, unless otherwise specified in the plans.~~

745-3 Installation Requirements.

745-3.1 General: Install Inductive Loop Assembly components and materials in accordance with the plans and the Design Standards.

745-3.2 Saw Cuts: *Loop layout will be as shown in the Design Standards, Index 17900.* Use a chalk line or equivalent method to outline the perimeter of the loop on the pavement and routes for lead-in cables. Do not allow the saw cut in the pavement to deviate by more than 1 inch from the chalked line. Ensure that all saw cuts are free of any dust, dirt or other debris and completely dry prior to the installation of the loop wire, loop wire twisted pair lead or lead-in cable.

Make saw cuts ~~-~~ *3* ~~-~~ *inches to 3-1/2* ~~-~~ *inches deep, and wide enough to allow unforced placement of the loop wire in the slot.* ~~-~~ *Loop corners shall be 1-1/4* ~~-~~ *inches to 2* ~~-~~ *inches in diameter, centered in the corners of the loop, drilled to loop depth and free of rough edges.* ~~*NOTE: -*~~ *Perform* ~~*Installations that require -*~~ *saw cuts across* ~~*P*~~*portland cement concrete pavement expansion joints* ~~*will be performed -*~~ *as detailed in the Design Standards, Index 17781, "Concrete Pavement Expansion Joints".* ~~sufficient in depth to ensure that the top conductor of the loop wire or lead-in cable is a minimum of 1 inch below the final surface of the roadway~~.

745-3.3 Loop Wire: Ensure that all loops ~~are three~~*have four* complete turns of wire, wound in a clockwise manner. Do not damage the insulation.

Tag and identify the clockwise "lead" of each loop.

Use alternate polarity on adjacent loops.

Ensure that the hold down material *is non-metallic, is placed in the saw slot using segments* ~~is not longer than~~ 1 ~~-~~ inch *to 2* ~~-~~ *inches long, spaced 12* ~~-~~ *inches apart.* and that the distance from the top of the hold down material to the final surface of the roadway is not less than 1*-1/2-* inch*es*.

745-3.4 Loop Wire Twisted Pair Lead: Create a loop wire twisted pair lead by twisting the loop wire pair a minimum of 10 to 12 twist*s* per foot from the edge of the loop to the pull box located adjacent to the roadway. Place only one loop wire twisted pair lead in a saw cut. Ensure that the distance between a twisted loop wire pair lead within the roadway is a minimum of 6 inches from any other twisted loop wire pair lead or loop, until they are within 12 inches of the edge of pavement or curb, at which point they may be placed closer together.

Provide a minimum of 3 feet of twisted loop wire pair lead in the pull box located adjacent to the roadway. Do not route twisted loop wire pair lead directly through conduits to the cabinet, unless specified in the plans.

745-3.5 Loop Sealant: Prepare and apply the loop sealant in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. Remove excess sealant from the surface of the roadway. Ensure that the loop sealant has cured completely before allowing vehicular traffic to travel over the sealant.

745-3.6 Shielded Lead-In Cable: Splice *the* loop wire twisted pair lead to the International Municipal Signal Association, Inc. (IMSA) Specification 50-2 shielded lead-in cable in the pull box located adjacent to the roadway. Splice cables in pull boxes only. Perform all splices in accordance with the Design Standards, Index No. ~~17781~~*17900*.

Ensure that the shielded lead-in cable is of sufficient length to extend through the conduits to the cabinet without ~~further~~ *additional* -splicing. Do not pull more than 250 feet of loop lead-in cable between pull boxes or a pull box and the cabinet. ~~*NOTE: -*~~ *Loop runs to the cabinet that are 75* ~~-~~ *feet or less will not require shielded homerun cable.*

745-4 Guaranty Provisions.

745-4.1 Contractor's Responsibility: Secure all guaranties that are customarily issued by the equipment manufacturers for the specific equipment included in the Contract. Ensure that the form in which such guaranties are delivered includes the provision that they are subject to transfer to the Department, and is accompanied by proper validation of such fact. Transfer guaranties at final acceptance of the work (or equipment) by the Department.

745-4.2 Terms: Ensure that the manufacturers of the equipment stipulate the terms of guaranties when submitting a request to the Department for certification and for equipment submittal for construction projects. Include terms for a specified service performance with provisions for repair parts and labor, or for replacement. Provisions shall define the equipment "installation date" as the date for such guaranty to be in effect. For construction projects, the

"installation date" is the first day of equipment "burn-in". For warehouse purchases, the "installation date" is the date of visual inspection approval, not to exceed ten days after delivery date.

745-4.3 Conditions: When guaranty is available, ensure that a written and signed guaranty accompanies the manufacturer's billing invoice. The Engineer will sign and retain the original and provide a copy to the manufacturer. If the Contractor does not comply with the terms of the guaranty, the Department may suspend the certification. Comply with additional terms and conditions as stated in purchasing agreements.

745-5 Method of Measurement.

745-5.1 General: Measurement for payment will be in accordance with the following tasks.

745-5.2 Furnish and Install: The Contract unit price per assembly for Inductive Loop Assembly furnished and installed, includes loop wire, loop sealant and shielded lead-in cable, all equipment, materials, and labor necessary for a complete and accepted installation.

745-5.3 Furnish: The Contract unit price per assembly for Inductive Loop Assembly, furnished, includes all components and materials as specified in the Contract Documents, plus all shipping, and handling costs involved in the delivery as specified in the Contract Documents.

745-5.4 Install: The Contract unit price per assembly for Inductive Loop Assembly, installed, will include all materials and labor necessary for a complete and accepted installation.

The Engineer will supply the Inductive Loop Assembly components as specified in the Contract Documents.

745-6 Basis of Payment.

Prices and payments will be full compensation for all work specified in this Section, except Conduit and Pull and Junction Boxes.

Conduit will be paid for as specified in Section 630 and Pull and Junction Boxes will be paid for as specified in Section 635.

Payment will be made under:

Item No. 745- 70- TMS Inductive Loop Assembly - per assembly.