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SUBJECT:

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Slope Protection Details

REQUIREMENTS

Replace Structures Detailing Manual Sheet No. EX-4 with the attached Sheets Nos. EX-4a & EX-4b.

COMMENTARY

The general details shown for Rubble Riprap Protection Adjacent to Streams on Sheet No. EX-4 have not proven to be durable. During design storm events, the filter fabric underlying the slope protection rock pulls away from the abutment, wing wall and/or approach slab. To better anchor the filter fabric, sand-cement riprap shall now be stacked around these bridge elements as shown on the new example sheets (EX.-4a & 4b). These details may only be superseded by a design from a registered hydraulics engineer.

The details shown on EX-4a & EX-4b shall also be used for emergency repairs of slopes eroded around coastal bridges, or any bridge whose embankment approaches and/or abutments are subject to waves more than 3' in height, if all of the following are applicable:

- a. The previous design was not engineered by a registered coastal engineer but simply based on the details shown on Sheet EX-4. The sand-cement riprap shall anchor the filter fabric underneath the slope protection rock, as shown in Section B-B on EX-4b, for the full longitudinal extent of the riprap or 15' from the front face of the abutment backwall, whichever is greater.
- b. A project-specific design by a registered coastal engineer is not available for immediate construction.

By replacing Sheet No. EX-4 with EX-4a & EX-4b, the "Sand-Cement Riprap Protection Adjacent to Railroad Track" details are being temporarily deleted. The State Structures Design Office will be in contact with the Railroads to determine if these details are still desirable.

BACKGROUND

None.

IMPLEMENTATION

Incorporate immediately on all emergency riprap repair projects.

Incorporate immediately into all Design/Bid/Build projects where bridge designs are at or less than 60% complete.

Incorporate immediately into all Design/Build projects where proposals have not been received as of the date of this Bulletin.

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