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This bulletin announces revisions to the 2019 Traffic Engineering Manual (TEM), which is available on the State Traffic Engineering and Operations website: https://www.fdot.gov/traffic/TrafficServices/Studies/TEM/TEM.shtml

SUMMARY OF REVISIONS

- Chapter 2 Signs
  - Section 2.11 – GUIDELINES FOR USE OF BICYCLE SIGNS: Entire section revised. Eliminated references to the “Share the Road” sign and updated the section to include references to the “Bicycle May Use Full Lane” sign.
  - Section 2.42.4 – SIGN PLACEMENT: Modified paragraph (1) to allow more flexibility with the signing order.

- Chapter 3 Signals
  - Section 3.8 – MARKED PEDESTRIAN CROSSWALKS: Entire section modified to include provisions for pedestrian crosswalk treatments that are based on context classifications.
  - Section 3.11 – LEADING PEDESTRIAN INTERVAL SIGNAL APPLICATION: New section added.
COMMENTARY

Florida is a focus state for bicycle and pedestrian fatalities. These revisions are being implemented earlier than the annual publishing of the TEM to improve bicycle and pedestrian safety. Revisions and changes to the referenced sections are made due to FDOT Design Manual Context Classification implementation efforts and updates to signs section.

All revisions in this bulletin will ensure accurate and consistent implementations.

IMPLEMENTATION

These changes are effective on projects beginning design on or after July 1st, 2019 and on projects currently in the design phase where implementation will not adversely impact production schedules.

The requirements of this bulletin are effective immediately on all design-build projects for which the final Request for Proposal (RFP) has not been released. Implementation of this bulletin for design-build projects for which the final RFP has been released is at the discretion of the District.

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