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## ***Baseline Document Change Announcement***

**ANNOUNCEMENT: BDC19S-10**

**DATE: April 30, 2020**

**SUBJECT: AASHTO/MASH Joint Implementation Agreement**  
- **Revision to the 2019 Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction and 2007 Standard Inputs, Subpart 159.03.02 and Subsection 1001.03**

Subpart 159.03.02 and Subsection 1001.03 of the *2019 Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction* have been revised to conform with the AASHTO/MASH Joint Implementation Agreement and provide clarity in the process. This agreement states that FHWA Traffic Control Devices must conform with the requirements of the 2016 Edition of the *Manual for Assessing Safety Hardware (MASH)*.

In addition, these changes will be reflected in the *2007 Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction*.

**The following revisions have been incorporated into the Standard Inputs (SI 2019 & SI 2007):**

**159.03.02 Traffic Control Devices**

THE FIRST PARAGRAPH IS CHANGED TO:

Ensure that FHWA category 1, 2, 3, and 4 traffic control devices (TCDs) conform to the requirements of the 2016 Edition of the Manual for Assessing Safety Hardware (MASH), except that TCDs manufactured on or before December 31, 2019 must have been purchased by the Contractor on or before December 31, 2019, and conform to the requirements of NCHRP 350, MASH 2009, or MASH 2016. Provide each device's applicable MASH 2016, MASH 2009, or NCHRP 350 test results and FHWA Eligibility letter, if issued by the FHWA, to the RE. Provide the RE with the purchase date certification for devices not meeting the MASH 2016 requirements upon delivery to the site. Ensure that traffic control devices meet or exceed an acceptable condition as described in the ATSSA guide Quality Standards for Work Zone Traffic Control Devices. Traffic control devices need not be new but must be in good condition. Provide traffic control devices according to MUTCD.

**1001.03 TRAFFIC CONTROL TRUCK WITH MOUNTED CRASH CUSHIONS**

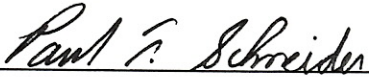
THE FIRST PARAGRAPH PART 1 IS CHANGED TO:

1. Meets crash-worthiness requirements as specified in [159.03.02](#).

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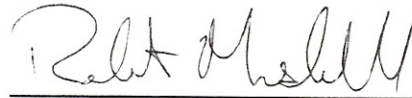
Changes must be implemented in all applicable Department projects scheduled for receipt of bids at least one week after the date of the BDC Announcements. All necessary addenda and/or addenda to postpone the receipt of bids must be issued to ensure compliance.

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