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TO: DISTRICT CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERS

FROM: David A. Sadler, P.E., Director, Office of Construction 

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SUBJECT: REVISION OF SPECIFICATION 451-4.6, BEARING PLATES FOR PRESTRESSED SOIL ANCHORS

Specification 451-4.6 currently requires that the bearing plates for prestressed soil anchors, meet the material requirements of AASHTO M 183 or AASHTO M 222; however, these AASHTO designations have been discontinued and are no longer applicable. As a result, this specification is in the process of being revised and will be implemented as soon as possible so that valid references are again listed. Between now and when the revised specification is implemented, use the following revised specification on all ongoing projects and on projects let prior to the implementation of the revision.

Revised Specification 451-4.6 Bearing Plates: Use bearing plates fabricated from steel meeting the requirements of ASTM A 36 or ASTM A 588.

This memorandum serves as blanket approval to process the specification revision above with a zero dollar contract change on all future and ongoing projects.

For questions or discussion of this matter, contact Steven Plotkin at (904) 360-5501.

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