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Re: Office of Design, Specifications
Section 407
Proposed Specification: 4070701 Three-Sided Precast Concrete Culvert.

Dear Ms. Gourdine:

We are submitting, for your approval, two copies of the above referenced Supplemental Specification.

These changes were proposed by Gevin McDaniel because the issue of corrosion protection of lifting devices for precast products had been addressed in a few Specification Sections separately (Section 407, 410 and 455), but were only applicable to those particular products. In lieu of continuing with the sprawling of requirements for protection of lifting devices, the decision was made to locate the language in a central location.

Please review and transmit your comments, if any, within two weeks. Comments should be sent via Email to ST986RP or rudy.powell@dot.state.fl.us.

If you have any questions relating to this specification change, please call Rudy Powell, State Specifications Engineer at 414-4280.

Sincerely,

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

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Attachment

cc: Gregory Jones, Chief Civil Litigation
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State Construction Engineer

THREE-SIDED PRECAST CONCRETE CULVERT.**(REV 6-8-10)**

SUBARTICLE 407-7.7 (of the Supplemental Specification) is deleted and the following substituted:

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