Memorandum

To: Distribution
From: Dwane E. Kailey P.E., Acting Chief Engineer
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Subject: Delineation on Non-Interstate Roadways

The goal to reduce single-vehicle run-off-the-road crashes is an emphasis area in Montana’s Comprehensive Highway Safety Plan (CHSP). This low cost strategy will help in Montana’s effort in reducing these types of crashes on all roadways.

The delineation policy dated July 2, 1975 that provides direction for delineation placement on state-maintained roadways is rescinded. The delineation policy was incorporated into the Department’s Traffic Engineering Manual several years ago.

Based on the CHSP goal, we are revising the manual to remove the minimum threshold of 900 AADT as a criterion for delineation. This change will be reflected in a future manual update.

This guidance will start for all projects that are field reviewed from July 1, 2012. If there are roadways that delineation is not recommended because of various reasons such as wide load or crop dusting, these segments will be documented in the scope of work report.

If you have any questions or comments please feel free to contact Roy Peterson at 444-9252.
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