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MEMORANDUM TO: Division Engineers  
FROM: W. S. Varnedoe, PE  
Chief Engineer – Operations  
SUBJECT: Special Provision for Work Zone Traffic Control

The safety of the motoring public and workers within work zones remains a priority of the Department. In an effort to enhance safety and increase awareness, the special provisions for permits and encroachment agreements have been revised. The forms available through our website have been revised to reflect these changes. Effective July 1, 2008, please include the following special provision in all permits and encroachment agreements, including Blanket Agreements:

**That the party of the second part agrees to provide traffic control devices, lane closures, road closures, positive protection and/or any other warning or positive protection devices necessary for the safety of road users during construction and any subsequent maintenance. This shall be performed in conformance with the latest NCDOT Roadway Standard Drawings and Standard Specifications for Roads and Structures and Amendments or Supplements thereto. When there is no guidance provided in the Roadway Standard Drawings or Specifications, comply with the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices for Streets and Highways and Amendment or Supplement thereto. Information as to the above rules and regulations may be obtained from the Division Engineer of the party of the first part.**

This paragraph replaces the existing paragraph in Encroachment Agreements:

*That the party of the second part agrees to provide during construction and any subsequent maintenance proper sign, signal lights, flagmen and other warning devices for the protection of traffic in conformance with the latest Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices for Streets and Highways and Amendment or Supplement thereto. Information as to the above rules and regulations may be obtained from the Division Engineer of the party of the first part.*

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The revised language better captures current techniques and provides guidance regarding work zone traffic control. Please include a statement in transmittal letters for blanket agreements to identify the additional conformance requirements of the NCDOT Roadway Standard Drawings, Standard Specifications and amendments or supplements

Please contact Meredith McDiarmid, PE of the Work Zone Traffic Control Unit if you have questions.

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