MEMORANDUM

Highway Design Bureau is issuing Special Detail titled “Mid-Splice W-Beam Guardrail Stiffening Detail” for use as appropriate in future projects. The detail allows lessening of the offset for the mid-span guardrail to an obstruction from a minimum of 6 feet to a minimum of 4 feet but only “when the obstruction cannot practically be moved or otherwise be made safe within the zone of intrusion as normally required.” The detail is available as a pdf and a dgn on the Department’s Website at:


Please contact Mike Hazlett (x-1599) or myself if you have any questions.

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