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TO: Chief District Engineers
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SUBJECT: Highway Design Manual Update

The intensive rewrite of the Highway Design Guidance Manual has been completed. All new projects should utilize this new guidance. The following chapters have been reviewed and revised.

- HD-100 Introduction
- HD-200 Administrative Procedures
- HD-300 Surveying
- HD-400 Environmental Considerations
- HD-500 Permits & Certifications
- HD-700 Geometric Design Guidelines
- HD-800 Roadside Design
- HD-900 Intersections
- HD-1000 Pavement
- HD-1100 Access Management
- HD-1200 Signing & Pavement Markings
- HD-1300 Right of Way
- HD-1400 Railroads
- HD-1500 Pedestrian & Bicycle Accommodations

Projects that have advanced beyond Preliminary Line and Grade may use the criteria and features from the previous Highway Design Guidance Manual. However, the Project Manager/Project Team can choose to use any of the updated guidance for these projects if desired.

A copy of the Highway Design Guidance Manual can be obtained from the Division of Highway Design's Web page at this: [LINK](#). Any questions regarding this memorandum should be directed to the Division of Highway Design, (502) 564-3280.