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To: Users of Oregon DOT Bridge Design and Drafting Manual

Subject: New changes and additions to the ODOT Bridge Design and Drafting Manual

ODOT Bridge Section is proposing several updates and additions that are intended to be added to the Bridge Design and Drafting Manual (BDDM). We anticipate that these changes will be effective in April of 2009, after a two week review and comment period. The new updates and additions are being released for review in web-based Acrobat files, which can be accessed at the following web site:

ftp://ftp.odot.state.or.us/Bridge/BDDM/Proposed_BDDM_apr2009

The Manual and changes can be viewed from the site, or downloaded and printed. The changes consist of 38 files covering changes listed in the attachment.

The changes will apply to new projects. It is expected that existing projects may make use of the new changes, if agreed with the CPM or Project Team Leader.

We are very interested in comments and suggestions on these proposals from those who use the manual. Please provide comments and questions about the changes to Kevin Davidson at (503) 986-3342, Kevin.F.Davidson@odot.state.or.us or Bruce Johnson at (503) 986-3344.

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Attachment: BDDM Proposed Update Summary April 2009

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