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MEMORANDUM

TO: ALL CONSULTANTS  
ALL BRIDGE DESIGNERS

FROM: PAUL FOSSIER, P.E.   
BRIDGE DESIGN ENGINEER ADMINISTRATOR

SUBJECT: BRIDGE DESIGN TECHNICAL MEMORANDUM NO. 71 (BDTM.71)  
BRIDGE STANDARDS UPDATED FOR 2016 SPECIFICATIONS

DATE: March 16, 2017

Per the recent memorandum from the Chief Engineer (attached), the 2016 Louisiana Standard Specifications for Roads and Bridges shall be used on projects that are currently at less than 98% Final Plan stage, or that will let after July 1, 2017.

Any bridge standard plans or special details required for these projects must be obtained by filling out the request form found in the Bridge Design section of the DOTD website, indicating that the project will be using the 2016 Specs, so that an updated 2016 compatible version of the standards may be supplied by the bridge standards manager.

This technical memorandum is posted on the LA DOTD Website under [Inside La DOTD > Divisions - Engineering > Bridge Design > Technical Memoranda – BDTMs.](#)

Please contact Ms. Zhengzheng “Jenny” Fu (225-379-1321, [zhengzheng.fu@la.gov](mailto:zhengzheng.fu@la.gov)) if you have questions or comments.

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Attachment

Cc: Janice Williams (Chief Engineer)  
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MEMORANDUM

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TO: District Administrators
Section Heads

FROM: Janice P. Williams, P. E.
Chief Engineer

Handwritten signature of Janice P. Williams

DATE: March 7, 2017

SUBJECT: 2016 Louisiana Standard Specifications for Roads and Bridges (LSSRB)
Guidance on Implementation

The 2016 Louisiana Standard Specifications for Roads and Bridges (LSSRB) were approved November 23, 2016 and placed on the DOTD website for use. Hard copies of the 2016 LSSRB will be available from the warehouse soon.

The 2016 LSSRB shall be used on current projects as shown below:

- Projects currently at less than 98% Final Plan stage
Projects that let after July 1, 2017

Any request for exceptions to this implementation plan must be made through the appropriate District Administrator/Section Head to the Chief Engineer with detailed justification.

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