



# Illinois Department of Transportation

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## **CIRCULAR LETTER 2018-09**

### **RECENT IDOT PUBLICATIONS**

COUNTY ENGINEERS / SUPERINTENDENTS OF HIGHWAYS  
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METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATIONS – DIRECTORS  
TOWNSHIP HIGHWAY COMMISSIONERS  
CONSULTING ENGINEERS

IDOT has released several publications recently which may be important to our local transportation partners. Hyperlinks to each of these publications along with brief descriptions of the publication or changes are provided in this Circular Letter.

#### **Manual for Materials Inspection**

The [Manual for Materials Inspection](#) has been updated effective May 1, 2018 and fully replaces the version dated April 1, 2016. Changes to the manual include:

- Removed Policy MAT-11
- Updated Table, Preface, Part 1 and Part 2
- Added Appendix C1, A2 and B2

#### **TAMP**

The department has submitted its initial Transportation Asset Management Plan (TAMP) to the Federal Highway Administration. The plan outlines IDOT's shift from a worst-first philosophy to one that focuses on preservation; and developing and implementing long-term strategies for proper maintenance of highways and bridges to ensure longer asset life. Required by federal law, the TAMP must include all roads and bridges on the National Highway System including 490 local miles and 224 bridges. Based on IDOT's current funding levels and the present state of roads and bridges, it will take several years to "achieve and sustain a desired state of good repair over the lifecycle of the assets at a minimum practicable cost." However, over the long run, implementing the strategies outlined in the TAMP will ultimately yield higher percentages of roads and bridges in acceptable condition. The department looks forward to partnering with our state's local agencies in implementing this plan. The department is planning further outreach efforts with our local partners in the coming year. The department's plan can be found at [TAMP](#)

### **IDOT Construction Manual**

The [Construction Manual](#) has been updated effective April 20, 2018 and fully replaces the version dated August 2017.

The Construction Manual was rewritten to reflect current practices.

### **Project Procedures Guide**

The [Project Procedures Guide](#) has been updated effective April 30, 2018 and fully replaces the version dated June 1, 2009. Changes to the manual include:

- Updated Bureau name
- Added and updated definitions
- Updated container types
- Removed metric measurements
- Updated all attachments, tables, and sampling schedules

### **Manual of Aggregate Quality Test Procedures**

The [Manual of Aggregate Quality Test Procedures](#) has been updated effective January 1, 2018 and fully replaces the version dated January 1, 2017. Changes to the manual include:

- Illinois Test Procedures 87 and 88 added
- All Illinois Test Procedures updated with a date of 1/1/18

If you have any questions regarding this circular letter, please contact Tim Peters, Local Policy and Technology Engineer at (217) 785-5048 or [tim.peters@illinois.gov](mailto:tim.peters@illinois.gov).

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