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Bridge Inspection Report Forms

COUNTY ENGINEERS/SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS
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This letter supplements [Circular Letter #02-06](#). The latest Bridge Inspection Report Forms (BBS-BIR-1 and BBS-BIR-2) are now available on the IDOT Web site at <http://www.dot.state.il.us> or through the [Structure Information Management System \(SIMS\)](#). Hard copies of the forms are available through your district Local Roads and Streets office.

To download the forms, go to the IDOT Web site and select the "Doing Business" link. From there, find the heading titled "Forms" and select the "Bureau of Bridges and Structures" link. There are four inspection report forms available for your use: [Bridge Inspection Report \(MI\) \(BBS-BIR-1\)](#), [Bridge Inspection Report \(SI\) \(BBS-BIR-2\)](#), [Bridge Inspection Report Fracture Critical Inspection \(BBS-BIR-FC1\)](#), and [Bridge Inspection Report Underwater Inspection \(BBS-BIR-UW1\)](#).

To use these forms in SIMS, select the "Reports Menu" button and select either "Bridge Inspection Report (MI)" or "Bridge Inspection Report (SI)." After entering the structure number(s), SIMS will fill in the relevant structure information in the report. At this point, just print out the report and write in the new inspection information. Note that the Fracture Critical and Underwater Inspection Report Forms are not available through SIMS at this time.

Questions may be directed to your district office or to Tim Ambrecht of the Local Bridge Unit at 217-785-8748.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ralph E. Anderson".

Ralph E. Anderson
Engineer of Bridges and Structures

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cc- Illinois Department of Natural Resources
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