

# COLORADO

Department of Transportation

Inspecting Curb Ramps for Accessibility http://codot.gov/business/civilrights/ada



- 8:30 Program Overview
- 9:30 Break (15m)
- 9:45 Inspecting Curb Ramps for Accessibility Functional Accessibility

M-Standards & Geometrics

- 10:45 Break (15m)
- 11:00 Intro to Survey123 App & Field Practice
- 12:00 Wrap Up



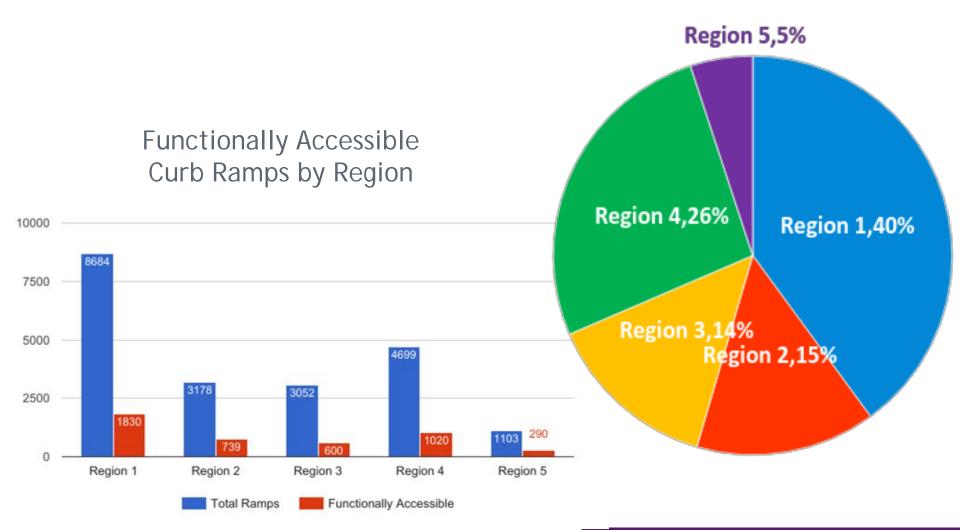
# Curb Ramp Program Overview



- Federal requirement ADA
- Designing and inspecting to PROWAG standards
- CDOT taking aggressive statewide approach to becoming functionally accessible
- Prioritizing ramps that are required but do not exist and those with running slope >12.5%



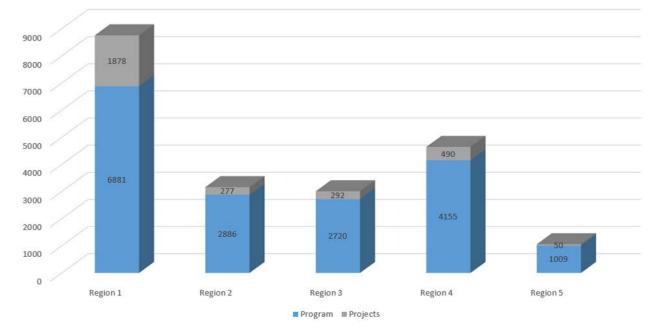
#### Curb Ramp Distribution by Region





- Upgrade curb ramps on all regular projects
- Program curb ramps
  - 5-year commitment
  - \$85M in funding

ADA Ramp Distribution Program v Projects





#### Tier 1: Required but not existing, or running slope exceeds 12.5%



Tier 2: Running slopes between 9% and 12.5%

Green (Urban)

Turquoise (Rural)

Tier 2: Running slopes between 5% and 9% with no turning space, or no turning space data is reported

Magenta (Urban)

Yellow (Rural)

#### Tier 3: Running slope between 8.33% and 9%, and all others

Grey (Urban, Rural)	Ramp exists, running slope between 8.33 and 9%
White (Urban, Rural)	Not categorized



- Regional approach for next 18 months
- Compliance goals (by tier, with anticipated timeframe and budget)
- Plan to address Emerging Small Business restricted projects requirement
- RTDs and Chief Engineer approved plans & funds were transferred to each Region



# **Region 1 Prioritization Plan**

# Approach

- Begin advertising projects Spring '17 within CDOT or public ROW and no historic or environmental clearance concerns
- Obtain ROW and historic and environmental clearances for locations where likely to cause delays
- Investigate partnering with local agencies to leverage their program

- At least one project under construction during FY17 replacing 350+ ramps
- At least one ESB project under construction during FY17 replacing 25-30 ramps
- Address ROW and historical clearances for the remaining 572 ramps in the red and orange categories, define projects, and prepare PS&E packages
- Begin clearance process for 2,600+ ramps in subsequent categories so they are shelf ready as funding becomes available



# **Region 2 Prioritization Plan**

## Approach

- Develop a scope of work to include Survey and Survey Title Verification, General Engineering, ROW Plan Development, Post-Design Construction Services, etc.
- Select a Program Management Consultant Engineer
- Develop risk-based, programmatic approach to obtaining environmental clearances
- Establish "Early Out" projects with minimal clearance concerns to be ready for advertisement in Spring '18

- At least one project under construction during FY18 replacing 100+ ramps
- At least one ESB project under construction during FY18 replacing 25-50 ramps
- Address ROW, historic, and environmental clearances for the remaining 500+ Tier I ramps, define projects, and prepare PS&E packages
- Begin clearance process for 2,800+ ramps in the subsequent categories so they are shelf ready as funding becomes available



### Approach

- Develop a scope of work to include Survey and Survey Title Verification, General Engineering, ROW Plan Development, Post-Design Construction Services, etc.
- Select a Program Management Consultant Engineer
- Develop risk-based, programmatic approach to obtaining environmental clearances
- Establish "Early Out" projects with minimal clearance concerns to be ready for advertisement in Spring '18

- Address highest-value ramps first
- Learn and incorporate project development and construction efficiencies



# **Region 4 Prioritization Plan**

## Approach

- Develop a scope of work and advertise for a Program Management Consultant Engineer and engineering services
- Develop programmatic processes, pre-scoping activities, scoping, ROW plans, ramp designs, utility coordination, environmental services and design support services for construction
- Coordinate with Survey and ROW region personnel as well as NPS consultants for Survey and ROW acquisition

- Begin pre-construction activities for ramps in Tiers I and II in 9 key urban areas during FY17 and FY18
- Up to 3 small (approx. \$300k) projects ready for advertisement by June '18



# **Region 5 Prioritization Plan**

## Approach

- Concentrate efforts in: survey, ROW acquisition, design, and construction for Tier I and Tier II / Category Green ramps in 5 key urban areas
- Combine ramps with no ROW concerns into Design Build projects; combine ramps with ROW acquisition concerns into Design Bid Build projects
- Solicit local agencies for interest in partnering on projects

- At least two ESB projects under construction in FY18
- 4 projects under construction in FY17 addressing 67 ramps
- 2 projects under construction in FY18 addressing 42 ramps
- 5 DB and DBB packages in FY19 addressing 252 ramps
- Local agency projects as feasible



- Right-of-Way process for ramps not in CDOT ROW
  - Follows the Uniform Act but does not require survey
  - Allows sketches for ROW plans
  - Uses expedited acquisition innovations
- Historical Clearance for ramps within CDOT's ROW
  - Programmatic Agreement between FHWA, the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, and Colorado State Historic Preservation Officer
  - Minor highway improvement projects with no impact to historical property
  - Categorical Exclusion

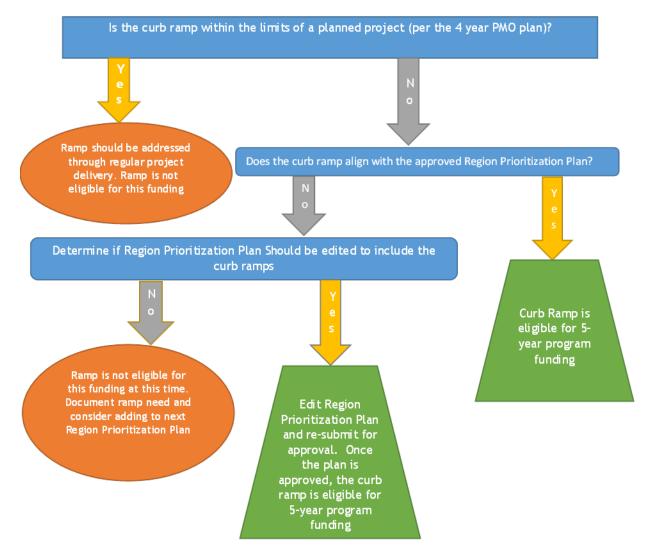


- Ramps within CDOT ROW or requiring temporary easements
- No or minimal historic impact

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# **Funding Eligibility & Approval**





- More Rigorous Inspections
  - Accountability for functional accessibility
- New Reporting and Data Management
  - Survey123 for ArcGIS linked to statewide inventory database
- New CDOT Documentation Process
  - Design Exception Variance Request (Form 464) and Curb Ramp Variance Support Document





CDOT recognizes that it is not always possible for altered elements, spaces, or facilities to fully comply with new construction requirements because of existing physical constraints. Where existing physical constraints make it impracticable for altered elements, spaces, or facilities to fully comply with the requirements for new construction, compliance is required to the extent practicable within the scope of the project. Existing physical constraints include, but are not limited to, underlying terrain, right-of way availability, underground structures, adjacent developed facilities, drainage, or the presence of a notable natural or historic feature. The proposed guidelines (PROWAG) permit flexibility in alterations to existing facilities where needed.

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#### **Design Engineer**

- Complete data tables/sheets and plan sets
- For new ramps: add new record to the database
- For existing ramps: confirm or edit record in database, if needed

#### Project Engineer/ Project Manager

- Review plans for site compatibility
- Complete Form 464 and Curb Ramp Variance Support Document, if necessary
- Review and approve inspection measurements

#### Inspector

- Measure constructed curb ramp
- Enter data into Survey123
- Communicate with PE/PM about noncompliant measurements

#### CRBRC Data Manager

 QA/QC and commit to the database



- PE/PM reviews measurements
  - Works with Contractor to resolve issues
  - Add Form 464 Design Variance and Curb Ramp Variance Support Document if necessary
- CRBRC reviews non-compliant measurements that don't have a Design Variance and Support Document



# **Inspecting Curb Ramps for Accessibility**



# **Functional Accessibility**

Width

Clear Space

Cross Sløp

Running Slope

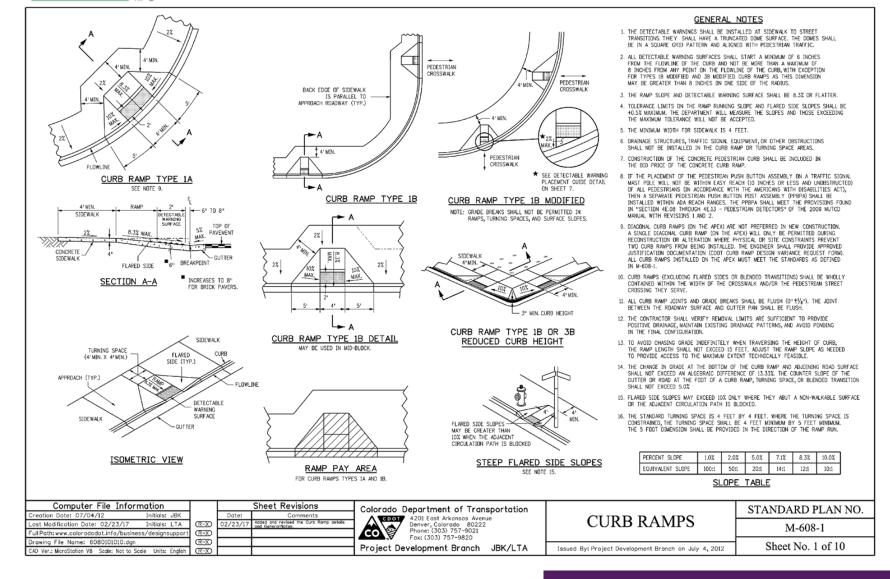
- Running Slope: 8.3% max.
- Cross Slope: 2% max.
- Width: 4 ft. min.
- Turning Space: 4 ft. x 4 ft. min.
- Ramp joints and grade breaks: flush
- Clear Space: 4 ft. x 4 ft. min. (diagonal ramps)
   Flush Breaks

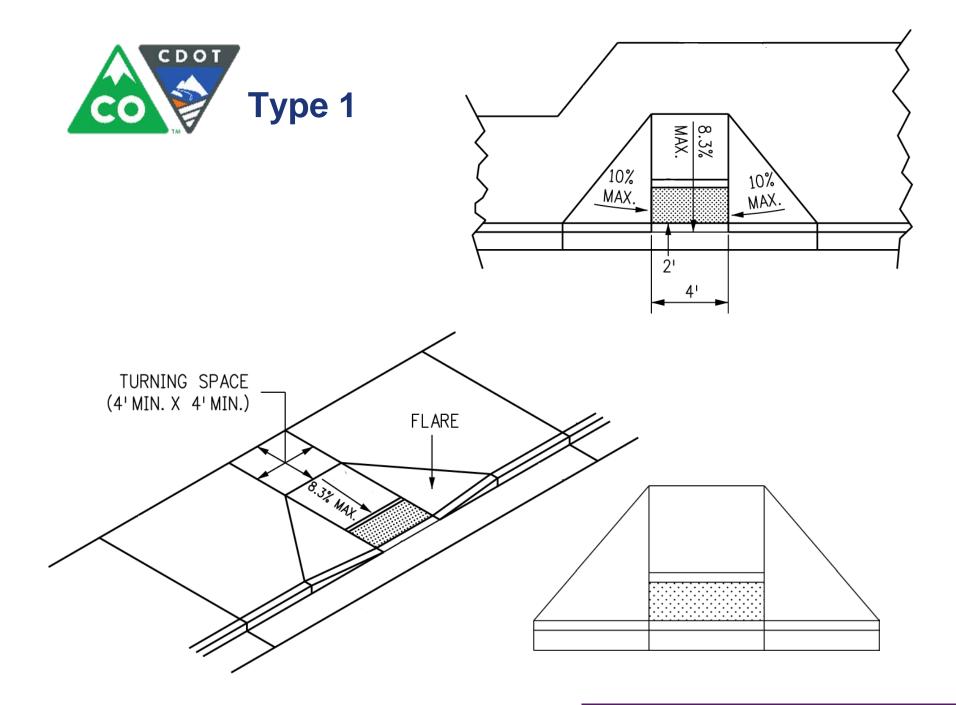


- PROWAG requires building to the maximum extent practicable
  - For new construction, designs should make every effort to meet M-Standards
  - Alterations often have more constraints; this is where we the Design Variance is meant to be used
- Forms are completed/signed by the PE/PM
- Inspectors should alert PE/PM if they notice a curb ramp needs a Design Variance but does not have one

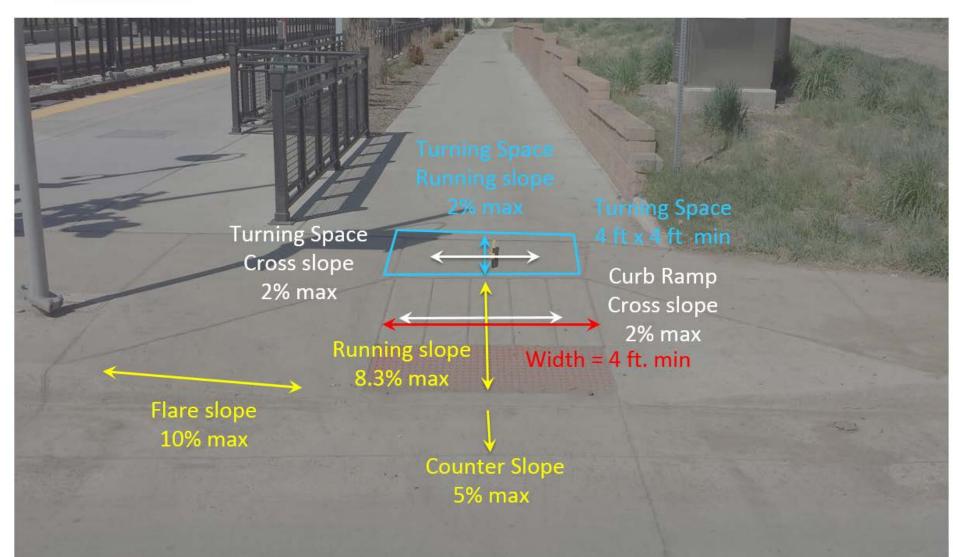


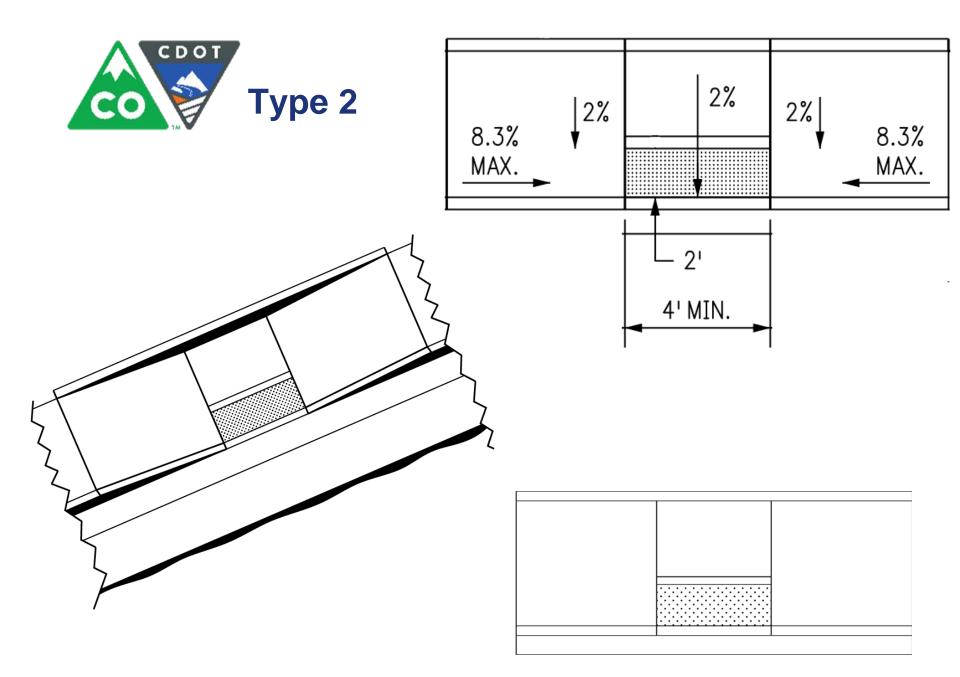
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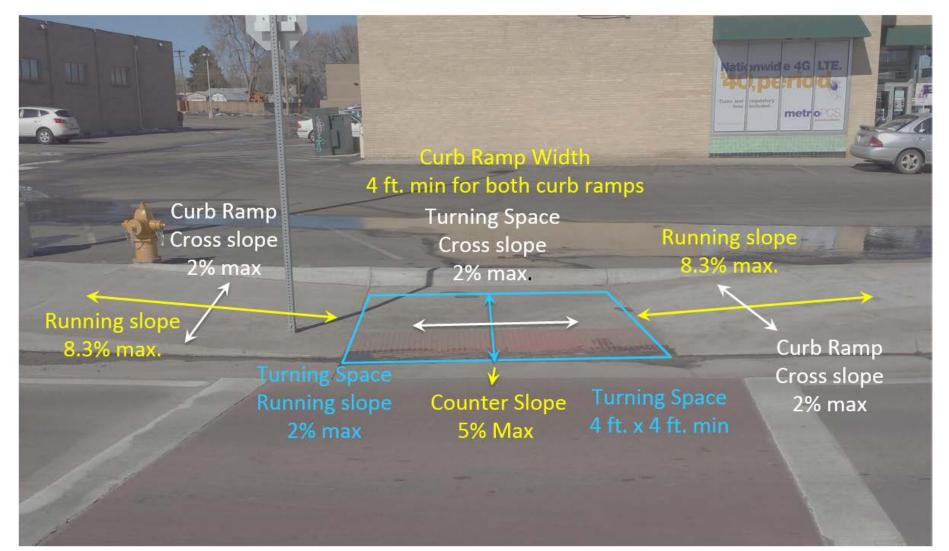


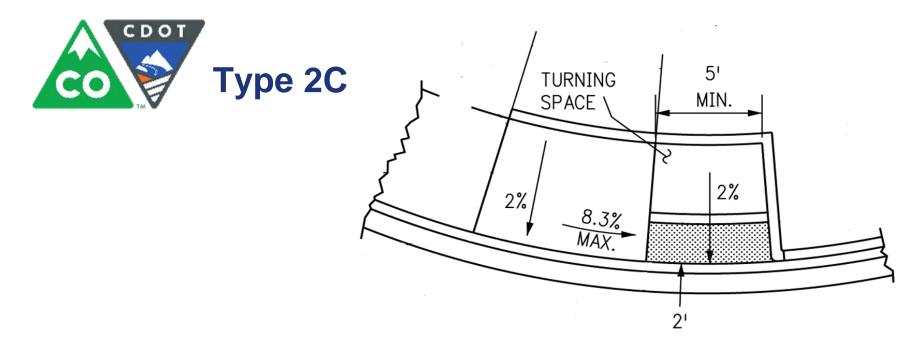


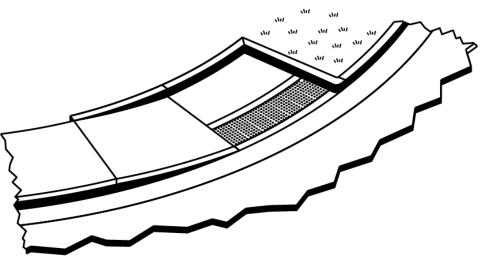


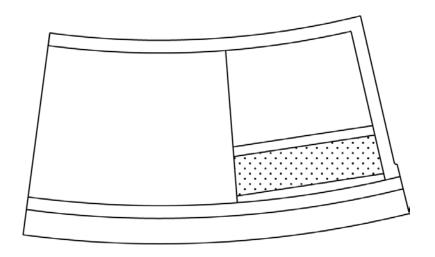




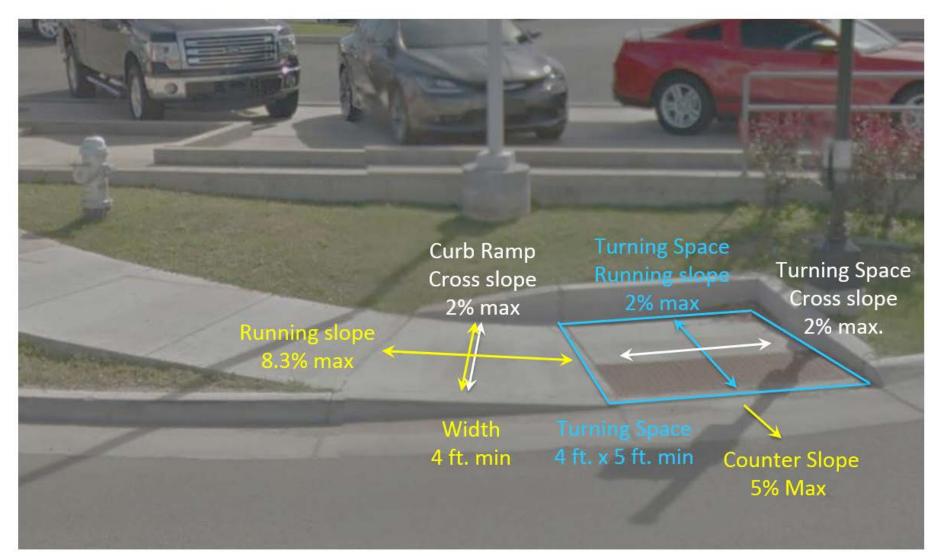


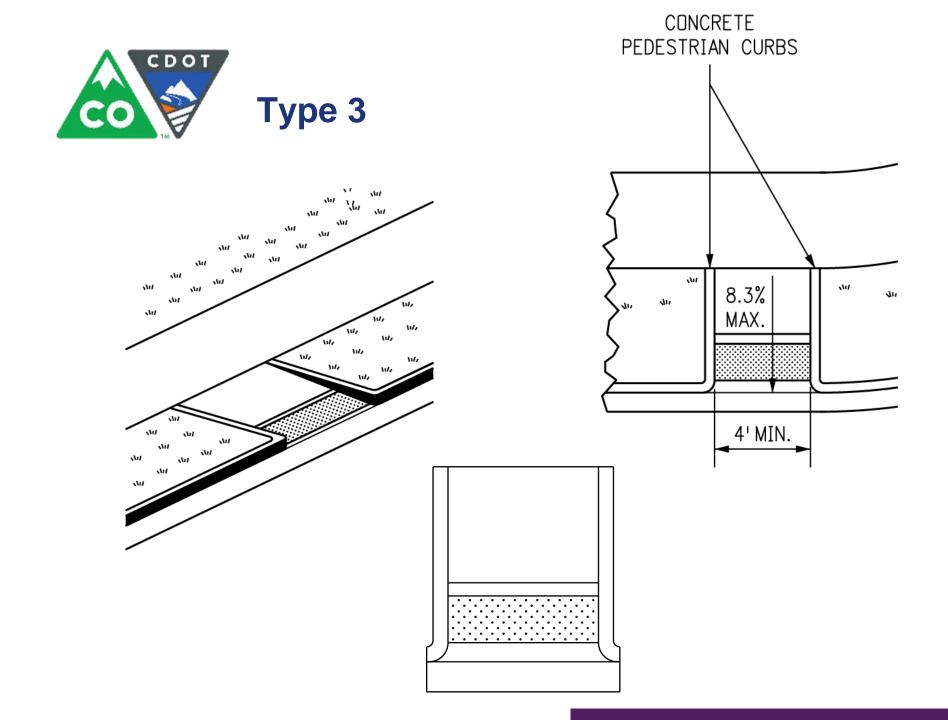














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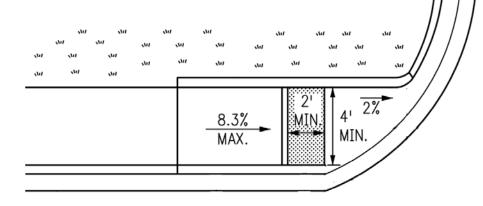
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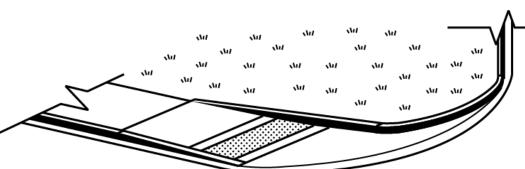
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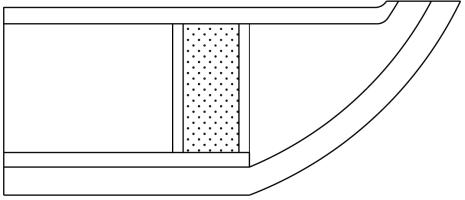
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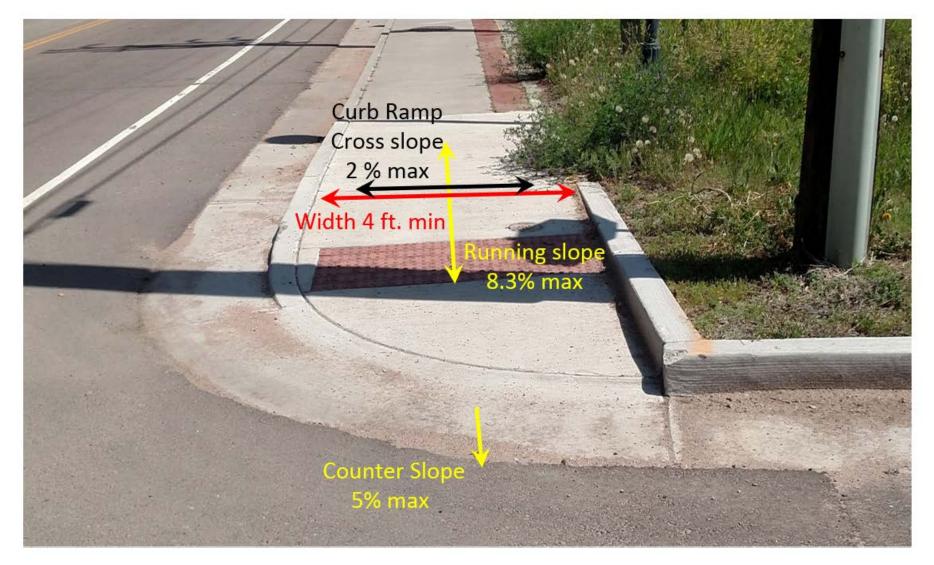


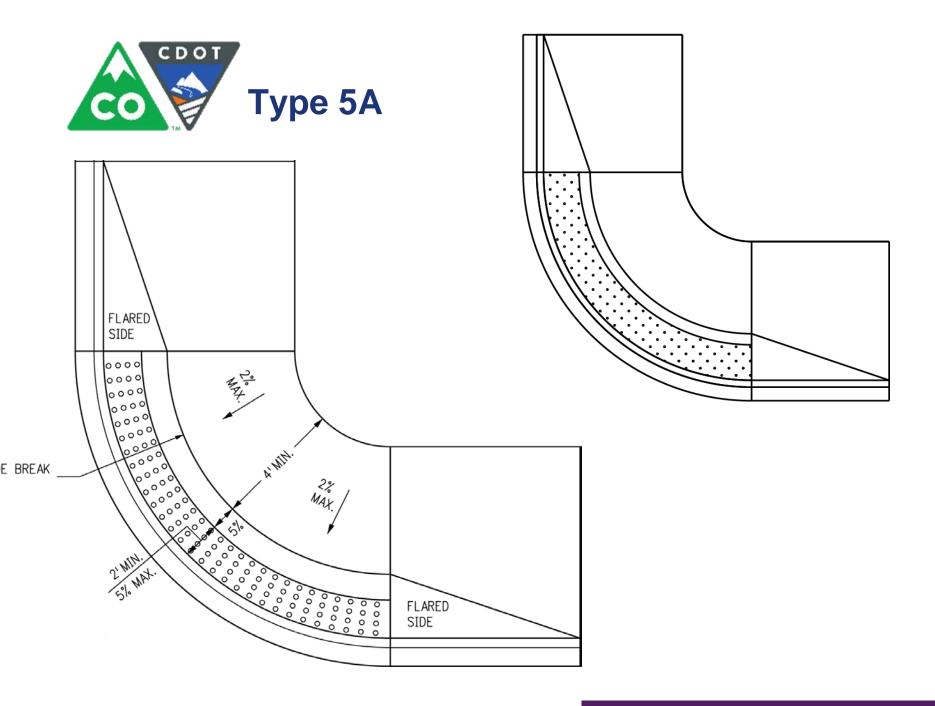




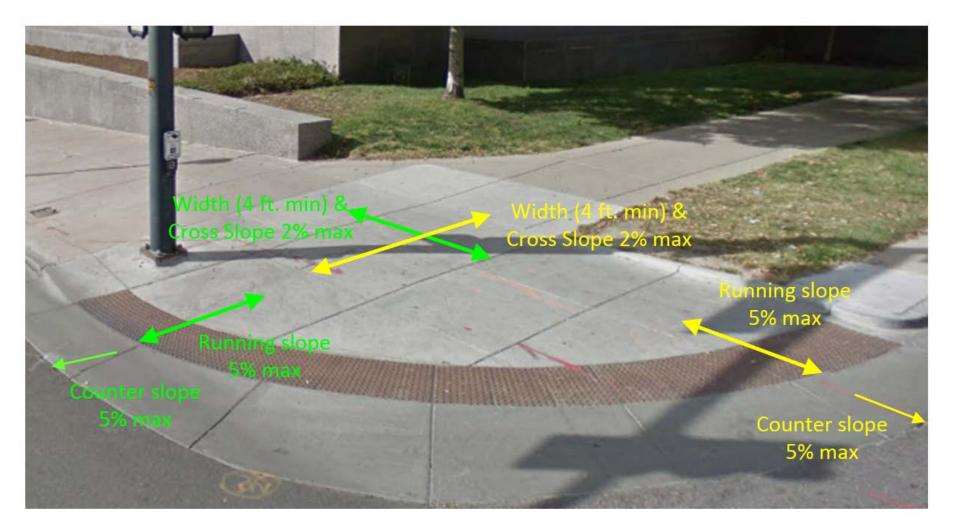




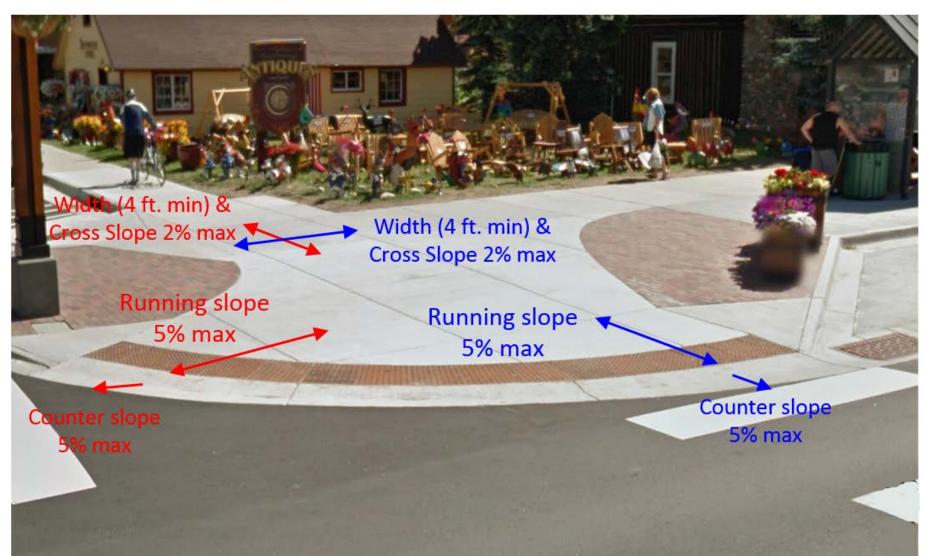




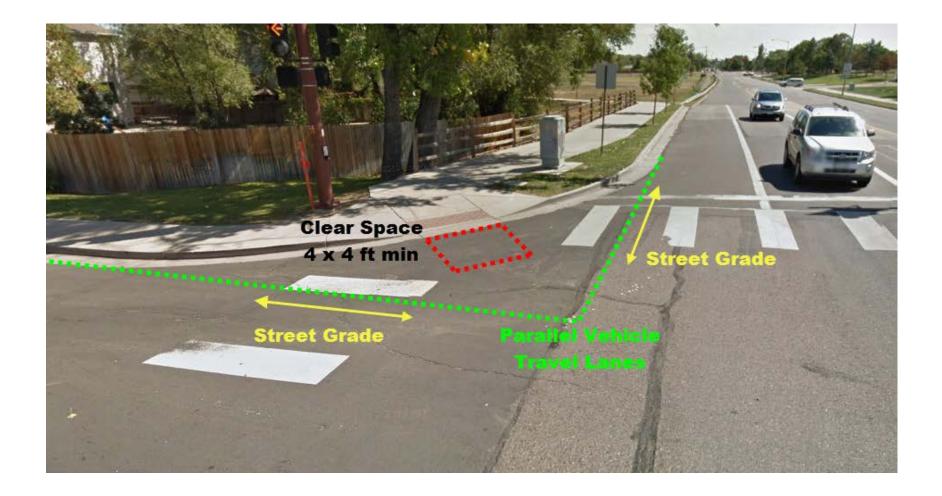




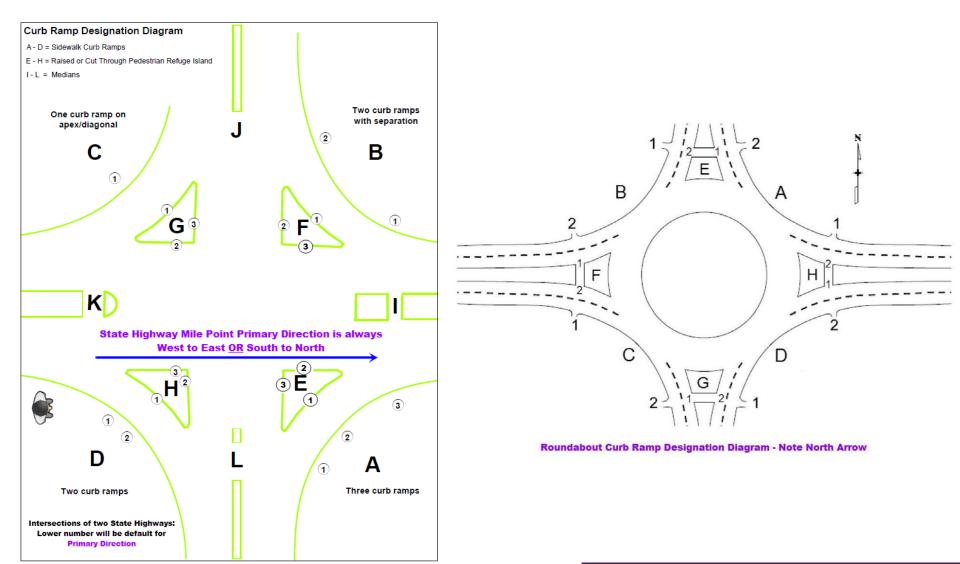














- Detectable Warnings
  - Span full width of ramp
  - 2 ft. deep min.
  - Contrasting color to curb ramp
- Pedestrian Push Buttons
  - Included in data collection and inspections
  - Review and familiarize
     with MUTCD Sections
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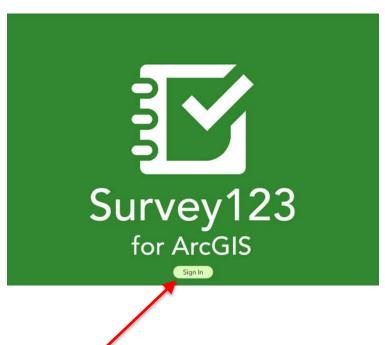


# **Survey123 & Field Practice**





- Installation
  - iPad / Android: use app store
  - Windows: <a href="http://doc.arcgis.com/en/survey123/download/">http://doc.arcgis.com/en/survey123/download/</a>
- Getting Started

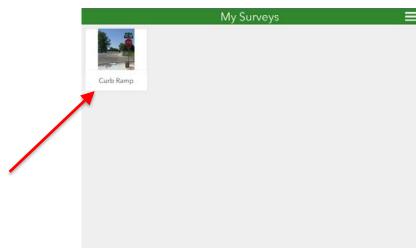








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