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Subject: Construction Inspector Qualification Program
Policy Memo 25a

As a follow up to the Policy Memo 25 issued on March 4, 2005, I would again like to communicate progress and clarify requirements for the implementation of the CDOT Inspector Qualification Program. With input from the Program Engineers, the Inspector Qualification Board of Directors has developed the following policies in regard to certification requirements and program implementation.

- Local Agency Projects - Construction inspection certification will be required when the project is on the CDOT right-of-way, within the roadway template, adding lanes, or as otherwise determined by the Resident Engineer. The requirements for Local Agency Project Engineers will be the same as for CDOT Project Engineers. These requirements will be incorporated into new local agency projects, so it will not be retro-active on current projects. As such, the implementation timeframe for local agency projects will vary.
- CDOT Access Permit Inspectors – Certification is not required; however; the Region Traffic Engineers are encouraged to look at the background of their access permit inspectors and include the categories that they believe are appropriate in the access permit inspectors' training plans. This will have value for CDOT for the inspection on these projects as well as improve the career path for the access permit inspectors. This will be re-evaluated as a requirement in one year.
- Summer Temporaries - Summer temporaries normally have lower level duties to assist testers and inspectors. In these cases, the certifications are not applicable. However, if the summer temporary is taking on the full responsibility of the construction inspector, then the certifications will apply.
- Consequences and Accountability - These requirements will be incorporated into an employee's training IPO and addressed through the 3P process. Supervisors will make modifications to and incorporate the training requirements into IPOs and training plans as required.