Memorandum

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To:

DISTRICT DIRECTORS

Date:

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From:

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Subject: IMPLEMENTATION OF TEMPORARY CONCRETE RAILING

Effective January 1, 2027, temporary railing (Type K) cannot be specified on California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) projects. Contractors may use temporary railing (Type K) or temporary railing (Type CT) for projects advertised before December 31, 2026. The Standard Plans will include both National Cooperative Highway Research Program (NCHRP) Report 350 and Manual for Assessing Safety Hardware (MASH) 2016 compliant temporary concrete railing until December 31, 2026. For projects advertised before December 31, 2026, contractors may use temporary railing (Type K) until the completion of the contract. For projects advertised on and after January 1, 2027, contractors can only use temporary railing (Type CT) on Caltrans projects.

The Division of Maintenance may use temporary railing (Type K) until December 31, 2026. For activities on and after January 1, 2027, Maintenance can only use temporary railing (Type CT).

Caltrans MASH information is available at https://dot.ca.gov/programs/traffic-operations/mash.

For questions regarding this process, please contact Duper Tong, Chief, Office of Traffic Engineering, Division of Traffic Operations at (916) 654-5176 or by email at Duper.Tong@dot.ca.gov.

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