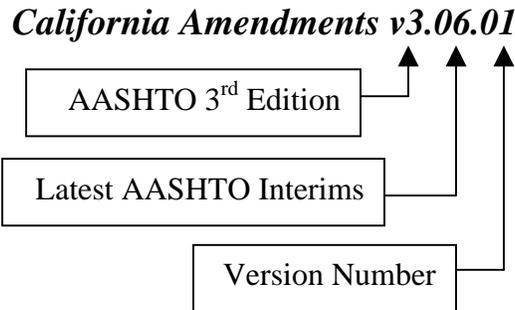


**To recipients of the *California Amendments, v3.06.01* to the AASHTO LRFD Bridge Design Specifications-Third Edition w/ 2005 & 2006 Interims:**

**Instructions**

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California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) has made amendments to the *AASHTO LRFD Bridge Design Specifications-Third Edition with 2005 & 2006 Interims*. This packet contains the amended articles. Each amendment page is numbered in the upper right-hand corner with the AASHTO LRFD section and page number it amends. The California amendments nomenclature has been modified. Starting with the current version, the California amendment version number will signify the AASHTO LRFD Bridge Design Specifications Edition it amends, the latest AASHTO Interim it amends, and the consecutive numbering of the versions for a specific AASHTO edition and interim.



Strikethrough (~~example~~) and underlined (example) text indicates deletions and insertions by California amendments to the AASHTO LRFD Bridge Design Specifications, that were approved by the DES Structure Design LRFD Executive Committee. A listing of the changed and deleted articles is included as an addendum to the preface.

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**to the AASHTO LRFD Bridge Design**  
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**Version 3.06.01**

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**  
**STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

## Foreward

In 1993, the AASHTO Subcommittee on Bridge and Highway Structures (SCOBS) voted to accept the *AASHTO Load and Resistance Factor Design (LRFD) Bridge Design Specifications* as an alternate design specification. In 1999, SCOBS voted to no longer update the *Standard Specifications for Highway Bridges*, which was the basis for the *Caltrans Bridge Design Specification (BDS)*, and support LRFD as the primary design code. In June 2000, FHWA mandated that LRFD must be used on all new bridge design commencing on or after October 1, 2007 and provided additional information in a clarification memorandum dated January 22, 2007.

In 1999, California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) began developing amendments to the AASHTO LRFD Bridge Design Specifications that were necessary to adopt the national code into California's bridge design practice. In December 2004, Richard D. Land, former State Bridge Engineer, established April 2006 as the transition date to use the LRFD specifications for bridges designed by the State. Similarly, October 2006 was established for using the LRFD specifications for bridges designed by Local Agencies or others, (located within state right-of-way).

In April 2006, Kevin J. Thompson, State Bridge Engineer, confirmed that all structural components for bridges designed by the State that had not received Type Selection approval, shall conform to the *AASHTO LRFD Bridge Design Specifications, Third Edition, with 2005 Interim Revisions, as amended by Caltrans*. Similarly, October 1, 2006 was confirmed for the LRFD structural design for bridges, without Type Selection approval, designed by Local Agencies or others located within state right-of-way. Full implementation of the complete AASHTO LRFD design specifications including the geotechnical design of foundations was set for April 1, 2007 for bridges designed by the State and October 1, 2007 for bridges designed by others.

In March 2007, Kevin J. Thompson, State Bridge Engineer, approved the AASHTO LRFD Bridge Design Specifications, Third Edition, with 2005 & 2006 Interim Revisions and California Amendments, amended by California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), v3.06.01 as the primary Caltrans bridge design specification. The LRFD Specifications with the most current interims and California amendments shall be the basis for all advance planning studies, geotechnical investigation, bridge design and other project supporting documentation and bridge design guidance material.

# **CALTRANS LRFD TASK FORCE**

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# **PREFACE**

**to**

## **CALIFORNIA AMENDMENTS, V3.06.01**

### **THE CALTRANS STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS:**

Shall supercede all references to the *AASHTO LRFD Bridge Construction Specifications* within the *LRFD Bridge Design Specifications*. However, the AASHTO Construction Specifications are recommended as reference.

### **THE CALTRANS SEISMIC DESIGN CRITERIA:**

Shall supercede all provisions for seismic design, analysis, and detailing of bridges contained in the *AASHTO LRFD Bridge Design Specifications* **except for the definition of the Extreme Event I Load Combination.**

The AASHTO document shall be adhered to in areas where the California document and/or the Contract Documents are silent.

### **THE GENERAL PLAN TITLE BLOCK SHALL SPECIFY THE DESIGN LIVE LOAD AS:**

**“Load and Resistance Factor Design”, and “HL93 w/ ‘Low-Boy’ and Permit Design Vehicle”**

### **THE GENERAL NOTES SHALL BE TITLED:**

“Load and Resistance Factor Design” and list the “*AASHTO LRFD Bridge Design Specifications*, 3<sup>rd</sup> edition with the 2005 & 2006 Interims and California Amendments v3.06.01”.

- a. If the project contains any earth-retaining structures other than abutments, *BDS* should be cited and the specific structures listed to which it applies.
- b. The California Amendments v3.06.01 addresses design of abutments.
- c. General Notes regarding seismic design remain unchanged.

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