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BACKGROUND:

There has been some uncertainty regarding the positioning and timing of advance warning signs in construction zones where the posted speed is changed during the period of construction (i.e. one posted speed while equipment is working, a different posted speed when construction is not actually taking place)

Policy:

Advance warning sign placement and timing in construction zones shall reflect the highest speed posted during construction and must not be positioned to account for "part time" construction speed limits.

Procedure:

Use the highest posted speed only as the V value when calculating the advance warning sign distance (D) as noted in Section 402.6.8 of Electrical and Traffic Engineering Design manual. Similarly, use the highest posted speed only as the V value when calculating the advance warning sign time(s) (AW) as noted in Section 402.5.8 of the Electrical and Traffic Engineering Design manual.

The Ministry Regional Traffic Engineer shall take other traffic engineering and budgetary considerations into account when determining advance warning sign placement and the need for relocation.

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