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Re: Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices For Street and Highways (MUTCD)

To Whom It May Concern:

Upon review of the proposed changes to the MUTCD I would like to express my concern over one particular section of the document. In section 1D.05 Engineering Study and Engineering Judgement it states on page 38 line beginning number 11 that "The provisions of this manual are intended to be interpreted and applied by engineers or those under the supervision of an engineer". As the manual is intended to cover projects per 23 CFR a wide range of projects and facilities such as bike facilities parking areas that occur in both public and private lands and to which may include areas such as schools, parks, etc.

As a licensed landscape architect, I perform the duties of prime consultant on many projects often with an engineer as a sub consultant <u>under my review</u>. Many of these projects include trail planning and design alignment, bike and complete street facilities. The education and training of a licensed landscape architect provides the skills, knowledge and experience to interpret the intent of the MUTCD and its application. This manual serves as an important guide and as such should not be limiting to the guidance of one profession. In jurisdictions and for projects that as a landscape architect I am granted the authority and accept the liability for I should have the review and decision-making authority.

Thank you for your consideration as this long-tested manual is a significant guide for many professionals design the infrastructure we use on a daily basis.

Respectfully Submitted,

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