

STATE OF TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

TRAFFIC OPERATIONS DIVISION

SUITE 1800, JAMES K. POLK BUILDING 505 DEADERICK STREET NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE 37243-1402

CLAY BRIGHT

BILL LEE GOVERNOR

May 13, 2021

Nicole R. Nason, Administrator Federal Highway Administration U.S. Department of Transportation 1200 New Jersey Avenue S.E. Washington, DC 20590

RE: Comments for Docket No. FHWA-2020-0001 on
Proposed Amendment for Proposal 11th Edition of the Manual on Uniform
Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD)

Dear Administrator Nason,

I am writing to offer comments on the December 14, 2020 Notice of Proposed Amendment (NPA) to the MUTCD on behalf of the Tennessee Department of Transportation.

Overall, the NPA provides many positive changes to improve safety and guidance on the latest practices for traffic control devices. Tennessee appreciates the efforts FHWA has made to provide these updates to preserve uniformity, consistency and the safety of our roadway users.

We hope you find our comments helpful as FHWA finalizes the content in the 11th Edition of the MUTCD. Tennessee also encourages FHWA to pursue the rulemaking action for this edition with consideration of the changes and comments that we have proposed.

Sincerely,

Nathan Vatter, P.E.

State Traffic Engineer

Traffic Operations Division

C: file

Eric Jackson , Traffic Operations Division
Joseph Sweat, Traffic Operations Division
Brad Freeze, Director of Traffic Operations
Paul Degges, Chief Engineer
Will Reid, Assistant Chief Engineer of Operations

Comments on Docket No. FHWA-2020-0001 National Standards for Traffic Control Devices; the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices for Streets and Highways; Revision

	1	I		
Proposed Section Number(s)	Agree with concept and text as proposed	Agree with concept: suggested rewording of text in Comments	Disagree with concept	Comments Please include justification for your position based on objective experience and empirical data. If there is a specific statement with which you take exception, please provide the Page and Line numbers from the mark-up version of the proposed MUTCD text.
Part 1	Yes			
Part 1	Yes			
1A.01	Yes			
1A.02	Yes			
1A.03	Yes			
1A.04	Yes			
1A.05	Yes			
1A.06	Yes			
1B.01	Yes			
1B.02	Yes			
1B.03	Yes			
Table1B-1	Yes			
1B.03 – 1B.09	Yes			
1B.06	Yes			
1B.09	Yes			
1C	Yes			91. Grade Crossing Warning System definition seems to overlap
1C.02		No		with the statement in Section 8A.01 "In Part 8, the combination of traffic control devices selected or installed at a specific grade crossing is referred to as a "traffic control system."" 129. Minimum Track Clearance Distance definition includes "a point toa point" where these points are not distinguished, which is extrordinarily vague and will lead to confusion. Perhaps there should be a reference to Section 8A.07, which provides detailed description. -Could a definition for "Queue start-up time", as used in Section 8A.07, be added?
1C.03	Yes			
1D.01	Yes			
1D.02	Yes			
1D.04	Yes			
1D.05	Yes			
1D.06	Yes			
1D.07	Yes			
1D.08	Yes			
1D.09	Yes			
1D.10	Yes			
1D.11	Yes			
2A.01	Yes			
2A.02	Yes			
2A.04	Yes			
2A.05	Yes			

Page 1 of 21 Nathan Vatter - TDOT

-				
Proposed Section Number(s)	concept and text as proposed	Agree with concept: suggested rewording of text in Comments	Disagree with concept	Comments Please include justification for your position based on objective experience and empirical data. If there is a specific statement with which you take exception, please provide the Page and Line numbers from the mark-up version of the proposed MUTCD text.
2A.07	Yes			
2A.08	Yes			
2A.09		No		Disagree with the standard prohibiting the use of cultural/recreational symbols outside of the cultural/recreational area
2A.10	Yes			
2A.11	Yes			
2A.12	Yes			
2A.14	Yes			
2A.15	Yes			
2A.17			No	The last paragraph would appear to prohibit placing solar panels above the sign, this would cause issues for all current installations
2A.19		No		Existing systems of signs should be reviewed periodically for evidence of sign clutter and adjustments should be made accordingly. Could cause issues with Tort Liability as sign clutter is subjective.
2A.20	Yes			
2A.21	Yes			
2A.22	Yes			
Chapter 2B	Yes			
2B.01	Yes			
2B.02	Yes			
2B.03	Yes			
2B.04	Yes			
2B.05	Yes			
2B.06	Yes			
2B.07	Yes			
2B.07	Yes			
2B.09				
2B.09 2B.10	Yes Yes			
2B.10 2B.11				
	Yes			
2B.12	Yes			
2B.13	Yes			
2B.14	Yes			
2B.15	Yes			
2B.16	Yes			
2B.17	Yes			
2B.18	Yes			
2B.19	Yes			
2B.20	Yes			

Page 2 of 21

		Agree with		
		concept:		Comments
Proposed	Agree with	suggested		Please include justification for your position based on objective
Section	concept and	rewording of		experience and empirical data. If there is a specific statement
Number(s)	-	text in	Disagroo with	with which you take exception, please provide the Page and Line
			_	
	proposed	Comments	concept	numbers from the mark-up version of the proposed MUTCD text.
2B.21	Yes			We support the wording to specify where 85 th percentile should
				be used to set speed limits.
2B.21	Yes			
2B.22	Yes			
2B.23	Yes			
2B.24	Yes			
2B.25	Yes			
2B.26	Yes			
2B.27	Yes			
2B.27	Yes			
2B.28	Yes			
				Use of the "Do not drive on shoulder" should be an option and
2B.28			No	not guidance to leave it to engineering judgment if it is needed
				at the location.
2B.29	Yes			
2B.31	Yes			
2B.33	Yes			
2B.34	Yes			
2B.34	Yes			
2B.38	Yes			
2B.40	Yes			
2B.40	Yes			
2B.45	Yes			
ZD.43	162			

Page 3 of 21 Nathan Vatter - TDOT

-				,
		Agree with		
Proposed		concept:		Comments
Section	_	suggested		Please include justification for your position based on objective
Number(s)	concept and	rewording of		experience and empirical data. If there is a specific statement
Number(s)	text as	text in	Disagree with	with which you take exception, please provide the Page and Line
	proposed	Comments	concept	numbers from the mark-up version of the proposed MUTCD text.
2B.46	Yes			
2B.46	Yes			
2B.46	Yes			
Sub-Chapter DO				
NOT ENTER,				
WRONG WAY,				
AND ONE-WAY	Yes			
Signs and Related				
Signs and				
Plaques				
2B.47	Yes			
2B.47			No	Recommend to allow Red LED's only on Do not Enter signs
2B.48	Yes		-	, ,
2B.48			No	Recommend to allow Red LED's only on Wrong Way signs
2B.49	Yes			, , , ,
2B.49	Yes			
2B.50	Yes			
25.50	163			The R6-4 Roundabout Directional arrow sign should not be
2B.50			No	removed from this application to allow flexibility.
2B.50	Yes			and the state of t
2B.50	Yes			
2B.51	Yes			
2B.52	Yes			
20.52	163			The R6-4 Roundabout Directional arrow sign should not be
Deleted 2B.43			No	removed from this application to allow flexibility.
2B.51	Yes			Temoved from this application to allow flexibility.
Deleted 2B.45	Yes			
2B.53	Yes			
2B.53	Yes			
2B.54 2B.54	Yes			
2B.54 2B.55	Yes			
2B.55 2B.56				
	Yes			
2B.57	Yes			
2B.59	Yes			
2B.60	Yes			
2B.60	Yes			Nother Vetter TDOT

Page 4 of 21

		Agree with		
		concept:		Comments
Proposed	A groo with	· ·		
Section	Agree with	suggested		Please include justification for your position based on objective
Number(s)	· ·	rewording of	S	experience and empirical data. If there is a specific statement
,	text as	text in	_	with which you take exception, please provide the Page and Line
	proposed	Comments	concept	numbers from the mark-up version of the proposed MUTCD text.
2B.60	Yes			
2B.61	Yes			
2B.61	Yes			
2B.62	Yes			
2B.62	Yes			
2B.62	Yes			
2B.66	Yes			
				Should be downgraded to an option or support statement rather
2B.66			No	than a standard, this would be a complicated process to do to all
				areas that are established.
2B.66	Yes			
2B.66	Yes			
2B.67	Yes			
2B.67	Yes			
2B.68	Yes			
2B.72	Yes			
2B.71	Yes			
2B.73	Yes			
2B.77	Yes			
2B.77	Yes			
2B.77	Yes			
2C	Yes			
Deleted 2C.01	Yes			
2C.01	Yes			
2C.02	Yes			
2C.03	Yes			
2C.04	Yes			
2C.05	Yes			
2C.06	Yes			
2C.07	Yes			
2C.08	Yes			
20.00	162			

Page 5 of 21 Nathan Vatter - TDOT

	•			
		Agree with		_
Proposed		concept:		Comments
Section	Agree with	suggested		Please include justification for your position based on objective
Number(s)	concept and	rewording of		experience and empirical data. If there is a specific statement
ramber(s)	text as	text in	_	with which you take exception, please provide the Page and Line
	proposed	Comments	concept	numbers from the mark-up version of the proposed MUTCD text.
2C.09			No	Propose not to delete this section as the signs when used
20.03			110	correctly are of great use in some applications.
2C.10			No	
				Recommend against the use of Large arrow sign in a roundabout
2C.10	Yes			
2C.11	Yes			
2C.12	Yes			
2C.13	Yes			
2C.14	Yes			
2C.16	Yes			
2C.18, 2C.19	Yes			
2C.24	Yes			
2C.25	Yes			
2C.26	Yes			
2C.28	Yes			
2C.30	Yes			
2C.34	Yes			
2C.35	Yes			
2C.36	Yes			
2C.36	Yes			
2C.37	Yes			
2C.39	Yes			
2C.40	Yes			
2C.41	Yes			
2C.42	Yes			
2C.42	Yes			
2C.43	Yes			
2C.44	Yes			
2C.45	Yes			
2C.45	Yes			
2C.46	Yes			
2C.47	Yes			
2C.47	Yes			
2C.47	Yes			
2C.48	Yes			
2C.49	Yes			
2C.50	Yes			
2C.50	Yes			
2C.52	Yes			
2C.54	Yes			
2C.54	Yes			
2C.59	Yes			
2C.59	Yes			
2C.60	Yes			
2C.66	Yes			
2C.67	Yes			Nother Vetter TDOT

	I	r .	1	
		Agree with		
Proposed		concept:		Comments
Section	_	suggested		Please include justification for your position based on objective
Number(s)	concept and	rewording of		experience and empirical data. If there is a specific statement
Number(3)	text as	text in	Disagree with	with which you take exception, please provide the Page and Line
	proposed	Comments	concept	numbers from the mark-up version of the proposed MUTCD text.
2C.71	Yes			
2D.01	Yes			
2D.05	Yes			
2D.07	Yes			
2D.08	Yes			
2D.09	Yes			
2D.11	Yes			
2D.12	Yes			
2D.16	Yes			
2D.17	Yes			
30.30		NIC		Should be listed as an option since there could be site
2D.29		No		restrictions that would limit a larger guide sign
2D.34	Yes			
2D.35	Yes			
2D.36	Yes			
2D.37	Yes			
2D.39	Yes			
2D.40	Yes			
2D.41	Yes			
2D.45	Yes			
2D.46	Yes			
2D.47	Yes			
2D.49	Yes			
2D.51	Yes			
2D.52	Yes			
2D.53	Yes			
2D.54	Yes			
2D.55	Yes			
2D.56	Yes			
2D.57	Yes			
2D.58	Yes			
2D.59	Yes			
2E	Yes			
2E.01	Yes			
2E.06	Yes			
2E.07	Yes			
2E.08	Yes			
2E.12	Yes			
2E.14	Yes			
2E.15	Yes			
2E.16	Yes			
2E.17	Yes			
	103			This should not be a standard as it could lead to larger guide
2E.18			No	signs than are necessary for ground mounted use.
2E.20	Yes			and the management of Brownia mounted about
2E.21	Yes			
	7 ef 24			Nether Vetter TDOT

Page 7 of 21

			ľ	
		Agree with		_
Proposed		concept:		Comments
Section	_	suggested		Please include justification for your position based on objective
Number(s)	concept and	rewording of		experience and empirical data. If there is a specific statement
Tramber(s)	text as	text in	_	with which you take exception, please provide the Page and Line
	proposed	Comments	concept	numbers from the mark-up version of the proposed MUTCD text.
				Disagree with new standard for exits with different number of
2E.22			No	exits in each direction to use different suffix letters for exits.
				Could lead to confusion on why the numbering is different.
2E.23	Yes			
2E.24	Yes			
2E.25	Yes			
2E.26	Yes			
2E.27	Yes			
2E.28	Yes			
2E.29	Yes			
2E.31	Yes			
2E.32	Yes			
2E.33	Yes			
2E.34	Yes			
2E.35	Yes			
2E.36	Yes			
2E.37	Yes			
2E.38	Yes			
2E.40	Yes			
25.44			NI.	Do not agree with proposal to delete this section, there could be
2E.41			No	applications that diagrammatic guide signs are desirable.
2E.42	Yes			
2E.45	Yes			
2E.48	Yes			
2E.49	Yes			
2E.50	Yes			
2E.51	Yes			
2E.52	Yes			
2E.53	Yes			
2E.54	Yes			
2E.55	Yes			
2E.56	Yes			
2E.57	Yes			
2F	Yes			
2F.02	Yes			
2F.03	Yes			
2F.04	Yes			
2F.05	Yes			
2F.06-2F.09	Yes			
2F.10	Yes			
2F.11	Yes			
2F.12	Yes			
2F.13	Yes			
2F.17	Yes			
2F.18	Yes			
2F.18	Yes			
	0 -f 04			Nether Vetter TDOT

Page 8 of 21

			ı	
		Agree with		Comments
Proposed		concept:		Comments
Section	_	suggested		Please include justification for your position based on objective
Number(s)	•	rewording of		experience and empirical data. If there is a specific statement
i vamber(3)	text as	text in	Disagree with	with which you take exception, please provide the Page and Line
	proposed	Comments	concept	numbers from the mark-up version of the proposed MUTCD text.
2F.19	Yes			
2G.01	Yes			
2G.03	Yes			
2G.04	Yes			
2G.05	Yes			
2G.07	Yes			
2G.11	Yes			
2G.17	Yes			
2G.19	Yes			
2G.20	Yes			
2G.21	Yes			
2G.22	Yes			
2G.23	Yes			
2G.24	Yes			
2G.25	Yes			
2G.26	Yes			
2H.01	Yes			
2H.02	Yes			
2H.03	Yes			
2H.04	Yes			
2H.05	Yes			
2H.06	Yes			
2H.07			No	State welcome signs are not traffic control devices and should not be regulated by the MUTCD
2H.08	Yes			not be regulated by the mores
2H.09	Yes			
2H.10	Yes			
2H.11	Yes			
211.11	163			We disagree with the removal of the blue background as since it
				was an option in the past we have established a system on all
2H.12			No	interstate miles in TN on a blue background. Blue in our opinion
				provides motorist information and we feel that is an appropriate
				application for these signs
2H.07	Yes			
2H.13	Yes			
				Alternative fuel corridor signs should be allowed without having
				to sign the individual facilities at each exit with General Service
2H.14		No		Signs. To add on to comments below states should be allowed
				to decide if they want to sign Alt fuel facilities on the LOGO
				program.
21.02	Yes			
21.03	Yes			
21.04	Yes			
21.08	Yes			
21.09	Yes			
21.10	Yes			
	2 624			Nether Vetter TDOT

Page 9 of 21

				,
		Agree with		
Proposed		concept:		Comments
Section	Agree with	suggested		Please include justification for your position based on objective
Number(s)	concept and	rewording of		experience and empirical data. If there is a specific statement
Number(3)	text as	text in	Disagree with	with which you take exception, please provide the Page and Line
	proposed	Comments	concept	numbers from the mark-up version of the proposed MUTCD text.
21.11	Yes			
21.12	Yes			
21.13	Yes			
21.14	Yes			
21.15	Yes			
2J.01	Yes			
				It should be left up to individual states on whether or not to
2J.01		No		allow for Alt fuel facilities to be signed on the Gas sign, if this is
23.01		INO		allowed then Fuel would be more appropriate as the
				classification of the sign instead of Gas.
2J.02		No		We allow up to six attractions on our LOGO program and would
ZJ.UZ		No		not want to set a limit of four.
				It should be left up to individual states on whether or not to
21.02		N1 -		allow for Alt fuel facilities to be signed on the Gas sign, if this is
2J.03		No		allowed then Fuel would be more appropriate as the
				classification of the sign instead of Gas.
2J.06	Yes			
2J.07	Yes			
2J.09	Yes			
2J.11	Yes			
2J.12	Yes			
2K.01	Yes			
2K.02	Yes			
				Our current TODS program has followed the previous rules for 4
211.24				signs on an assembly and currently have a lot of locations that
2K.04			No	have 4 signs at a location. This would cause future issues when
				other locations reference those having 4 businesses
2L.01	Yes			
2L.01, 2L.02			No	The use of statistical information should be allowed Ex. Fatal YTD
·				Info
2L.03	Yes			
2L.04	Yes			
2L.05	Yes			
2L.06	Yes			
2L.07	Yes			
31.00			NIO	This should not prevent states from pushing safety messages at
2L.08		<u> </u>	No	other parts of the year.
2L.09	Yes			
2M.02	Yes			
2M.04	Yes			
2M.06	Yes			
2M.07	Yes			
2M.08	Yes			
2M.09	Yes			
2M.10	Yes			
	10 -f 01			N. H. AV. H. TROT

Page 10 of 21

		T	I	
		Agree with		
Proposed		concept:		Comments
Section	_	suggested		Please include justification for your position based on objective
Number(s)	concept and	rewording of		experience and empirical data. If there is a specific statement
(3)	text as	text in	Disagree with	with which you take exception, please provide the Page and Line
	proposed	Comments	concept	numbers from the mark-up version of the proposed MUTCD text.
2N	Yes			
2N.02	Yes			
2N.03	Yes			
2N.04	Yes			
2N.05	Yes			
Part 3	Yes			
3A.01	Yes			
3A.02	Yes			
3A.03	Yes			
3A.04	Yes			
3B.01	Yes			
3B.02	Yes			
3B.03	Yes			
3B.04, 3J.03	Yes			
3B.05	Yes			
3B.06	Yes			
3B.07	Yes			
3B.08	Yes			
3B.09	Yes			
3B.11	Yes			
3B.12	Yes			
3B.13	Yes			
3B.17	Yes			
Deleted	Yes			
				FHWA proposes to change a Support statement to a Standard
3B.18				paragraph requiring crosswalk markings at non-intersection
36.10				crossing locations to improve safety for pedestrians at locations
		no		where vehicles may not expect pedestrian crossings.
3B.19	Yes			
3B.20	Yes			
3B.21	Yes			
3B.22	Yes			
3B.25	Yes			
3B.27	Yes			
Deleted	Yes			
3B.28	Yes			
3B.29	Yes			
3B.31	Yes			
3C.01	Yes			
3C.02	Yes			
3C.03	Yes			
3C.04	Yes			
3C.05	Yes			
3C.06,3C.07,	Yes			
3C.08	163			
3C.10	Yes			
	11 -5 01			Nother Votter TDOT

Page 11 of 21

		A		
		Agree with		Comments
Proposed		concept:		Comments
Section	Agree with	suggested		Please include justification for your position based on objective
Number(s)	concept and	rewording of		experience and empirical data. If there is a specific statement
Nulliber(s)	text as	text in	Disagree with	with which you take exception, please provide the Page and Line
	proposed	Comments	concept	numbers from the mark-up version of the proposed MUTCD text.
3C.11	Yes			
Chapter 3D	Yes			
3D.01	Yes			
3D.02	Yes			
3D.04	Yes			
3D.06	Yes			
Chapter 3E	Yes			
3E.02	Yes			
3E.03	Yes			
3E.04	Yes			
3F.02	Yes			
3G.03	Yes			
3H.01	Yes			
3H.02	Yes			
3Н.03		No		TDOT recognizes concerns related to driver and pedestrian distraction, and also recognizes that allowing some flexibility aesthetic crosswalks has benefits in traffic calming to improve pedestrian awareness and safety. The purpose of aesthetic crosswalks is to have vehicle operators pay more attention and slow down at crosswalks which is a benefit to pedestrians. Based on research from the National Traffic Safety Board (2017), vehicle speeds greater than or equal to 40 mph result in a fatality 85% of the time, at 30 mph the fatalities reduce to 45%, and at 20 mph the fatalities reduce to 5%. Aesthetic crosswalk shall still be identified with white transverse lines and entrances into crosswalks shall still be identified with detectable warning surfaces for users with visual impairments.
3H.04	Yes			
3H.05	Yes			
3H.06	Yes			
3H.07	Yes			
3H.08	Yes			
31.01	Yes			
31.02	Yes			
3J	Yes			
3J.02	Yes			
3J.03	Yes			
3J.04	Yes			
3J.05	Yes			
3J.07	Yes			
Deleted 31.03	Yes			
Part 4	Yes			
4F.08, 4F.15, 4F.02, 4F.09, 4F.16	Yes			
4A.05	Yes			

Page 12 of 21

		Agree with		
		concept:		Comments
Proposed	Agree with	suggested		Please include justification for your position based on objective
Section	_			
Number(s)	concept and	rewording of		experience and empirical data. If there is a specific statement
	text as	text in	_	with which you take exception, please provide the Page and Line
<u> </u>	proposed	Comments	concept	numbers from the mark-up version of the proposed MUTCD text.
4A.08	Yes			
4B.02	Yes			
(Deleted)	Yes			
4B.05	Yes			
4C.01, 4B.05	Yes			
Sections 4C.02 -	Voc			
4C.10	Yes			
4C.02, 4C.03,	Vaa			
4C.04, 4C.08	Yes			
4C.05	Yes			
4C.08	Yes			
4D.01	Yes			
4D.02	Yes			
4D.03	Yes			
4D.05	Yes			
4D.06	Yes			
4D.07	Yes			
4D.08	Yes			
4D.09	Yes			
4D.10	Yes			
4E.01	Yes			
4E.02	Yes			
4F.01	Yes			
4F.02	Yes			
4F.04, 4F.06,	103			
4F.08, 4F.11,	Yes			
4F.13, 4F.15	103			
4F.06, 4F.13	Yes			
4F.08	Yes			
4F.09	Yes			
4F.15	Yes			
4F.16	Yes			
4F.17	Yes			
4F.19	Yes			
4G.02	Yes			
4G.04	Yes			
Chapter 4H	Yes			
4D.02	Yes			
41.01	Yes			
41.02	Yes			
41.03	Yes			
41.04	Yes			
41.05	Yes			
41.06	Yes			
4J.01	Yes			
4J.02	Yes			

Page 13 of 21 Nathan Vatter - TDOT

	I	Agroo with	I	
		Agree with		Community
Proposed		concept:		Comments
Section		suggested		Please include justification for your position based on objective
Number(s)	concept and	rewording of		experience and empirical data. If there is a specific statement
rvamber(3)		text in	_	with which you take exception, please provide the Page and Line
	proposed	Comments	concept	numbers from the mark-up version of the proposed MUTCD text.
4J.03	Yes			
4K.01	Yes			
4K.03	Yes			
4K.04	Yes			
4K.05	Yes			
4L	Yes			
4M.03	Yes			
4N.03	Yes			
4P.02	Yes			
4P.03	Yes			
4Q.02	Yes			
4S.01, 4S.04	Yes			
4S.02	Yes			
4L.03	Yes			
4S.04	Yes			
4S.05	Yes			
4T.01	Yes			
4T.03	Yes			
4T.04	Yes			
4U.01	Yes			
4U.02	Yes			
Chapter 5	Yes			
5A.01	Yes			
5A.02	Yes			
3A.02	Yes			
5A.03	Yes			
	Yes			
5A.04	Yes			
5B	Yes			
36	Yes			
5B.01	Yes			
5B.02	Yes			
36.02	Yes			
5B.03	Yes			
	Yes			
5B.04				
3B.0 4	Yes			
ED OF	Yes			
5B.05	Yes			
5B.06	Yes			
5C	Yes			
Part 6	Yes			
Part 6	Yes			
Part 6	Yes			
6A.01	Yes			
6A.02	Yes			
6A.03 & 6A.04	Yes			

	I	A	I	
		Agree with		Community
Proposed		concept:		Comments
Section	Agree with	suggested		Please include justification for your position based on objective
Number(s)	concept and	rewording of	5	experience and empirical data. If there is a specific statement
, ,		text in	· ·	with which you take exception, please provide the Page and Line
	proposed	Comments	concept	numbers from the mark-up version of the proposed MUTCD text.
6B.01	Yes			
6B.04	Yes			
6B.05	Yes			
6B.08	Yes			
6C.02	Yes			
6C.03	Yes			
6C.05	Yes			2000 1411707 7 20 6 11 21 27 12 1
6D.02		No		2009 MUTCD, P.30, Section2A.07.12 refers to illumination (LEDs). May impact our current Stop/Slow Paddles if significant changes are made in either section. Several months ago, I thought that Eastern Metal was discussing proposed changes for these sections and how that would eliminate their product for allowed use? It was regarding Section 6E.03.05 for conspicuity. I do not know where that ended up.
6D.03	Yes			
6D.05		No		Also, keep or strengthen 6E.02.03 for high visibility apparel for uniformed law enforcement to include some sort of high-visibility gloves if hand signals alone are allowed.
6D.06	Yes			Visionity Bioves in Haria signals are the are another.
6E.04	Yes			
6F.01	Yes			
6F.02	Yes			
6G.07	Yes			
6G.10	Yes			
6G.11	Yes			
6H.01	Yes			
6H.03	Yes			
6H.04	Yes			
6H.05	Yes			
6H.06	Yes			
6H.07	Yes			
6H.08	Yes			
6H.24	Yes			
6H.25	Yes			
6J.01	Yes			
6J.03	Yes			
6K.01	Yes			
6K.02	Yes			
6K.07	Yes			
6K.11	Yes			
6L.01	Yes			
6L.03	Yes			
6L.04	Yes			
6L.07		No		Would this not allow for the use of sequential lights in shifting taper after this change.
6M.01	Yes			

Page 15 of 21

			ı	
		Agree with		
Proposed		concept:		Comments
Section	_	suggested		Please include justification for your position based on objective
Number(s)	concept and	rewording of		experience and empirical data. If there is a specific statement
rvamber(s)		text in	_	with which you take exception, please provide the Page and Line
	proposed	Comments	concept	numbers from the mark-up version of the proposed MUTCD text.
6M.02	Yes			
6M.04	Yes			
6M.05	Yes			
N/A	Yes			
6M.08	Yes			
6N.01	Yes			
6N.04	Yes			
6N.05	Yes			
6N.13	Yes			
6N.14	Yes			
6N.19	Yes			
60.01	Yes			
6P.01	Yes			
6P-47	Yes			
6P-48	Yes			
6P-49	Yes			
6P-50	Yes			
6P-51	Yes			
6P-52	Yes			
6P-53	Yes			
6P-54	Yes			
Fig 6P-3	Yes			
Fig 6P-4	Yes			
Fig 6P-6	Yes			
Fig 6P-7	Yes			
Fig 6P-10	Yes			
Fig 6P-11	Yes			
Fig 6P-12	Yes			
Fig 6P-13	Yes			
Fig 6P-14	Yes			
Fig 6P-15	Yes			
Fig 6P-17	Yes			
Fig 6P-18	Yes			
Fig 6P-21	Yes			
Fig 6P-22	Yes			
Fig 6P-23	Yes			
Fig 6P-24	Yes			
Fig 6P-25	Yes			
Fig 6P-27	Yes			
Fig 6P-28	Yes			
Fig 6P-29	Yes			
Fig 6P-30	Yes			
Fig 6P-31	Yes			
Fig 6P-32	Yes			
Fig 6P-33	Yes			
Fig 6P-35	Yes			
	1C3	l	l	Nother Vetter TDOT

·				,
		Agree with		
Proposed		concept:		Comments
Section	Agree with	suggested		Please include justification for your position based on objective
Number(s)	concept and	rewording of		experience and empirical data. If there is a specific statement
Number(s)	text as	text in	Disagree with	with which you take exception, please provide the Page and Line
	proposed	Comments	concept	numbers from the mark-up version of the proposed MUTCD text.
Fig 6P-37	Yes			
Fig 6P-38	Yes			
Fig 6P-40	Yes			
Fig 6P-41	Yes			
Fig 6P-42	Yes			
Fig 6P-43	Yes			
Fig 6P-44	Yes			
Fig 6P-46	Yes			
7A.01 and 7A.02	Yes			
7A.01	Yes			
7D.01	Yes			
7B.01	Yes			
7B.02	Yes			
7B.03	Yes			
7B.04	Yes			
7B.05	Yes			
7B.06	Yes			
7D.01	Yes			
7D.02	Yes			
8A.01	Yes			
8A.02	Yes			
8A.03	Yes			
8A.04	Yes			
8A.05	Yes			
8A.06	Yes			
8A.07	Yes			
8A.08		No		The Support includes "Where the distance between the tracks at adjacent grade crossings, measured along the highway between the inside rails, is more than 100 feet, additional signs or other appropriate traffic control devices should be used to inform approaching road users of the long distance to cross the tracks." What signs are designated for that purpose? Can this be
				clarified.

Page 17 of 21 Nathan Vatter - TDOT

		Agree with	I	
		_		Comments
Proposed	A grae with	concept:		
Section	_	suggested		Please include justification for your position based on objective
Number(s)		rewording of	D:	experience and empirical data. If there is a specific statement
		text in		with which you take exception, please provide the Page and Line
	proposed	Comments	concept	numbers from the mark-up version of the proposed MUTCD textConsider modifying the proposed Section 8A.09 Option to "If a
				particular grade crossing appears to be redundant or
				unnecessary, an engineering study may be conducted to
				determine whether to eliminate the crossing."
				-I worry about the proposal in Section 8A.09 of changing the
				Standard of "When a grade crossing is eliminated, the traffic
				control devices for the crossing shall be removed. If the existing
8A.09		No		traffic control devices at a multiple-track grade crossing become
				improperly placed or inaccurate because of the removal of some
				of the tracks, the existing devices shall be relocated and/or
				modified." I'm sure railroads would like it, but it creates the issue
				of how to remove inappropriate railroad company maintained
				traffic control devices that should be removed without such a
				Standard.
8A.12	Yes			
8A.13	Yes			
8A.14	Yes			
8B.02	Yes			
8B.03	Yes			
8B.04	Yes			
8B.05	Yes			
8B.06	Yes			
8B.07	Yes			
8B.08	Yes			
8B.16	Yes			
9B.21	Yes			
8B.20	Yes			
8B.23	Yes			
8B.24	Yes			
8B.26	Yes			
8C.01 8C.02	Yes Yes			
8C.02 8C.03	Yes			
8C.03 8C.04 8C.05	Yes			
8C.06	Yes			
8D.01	Yes			
8D.02	Yes			
0D.UZ	162			

Page 18 of 21 Nathan Vatter - TDOT

		Agree with		
		concept:		Comments
Proposed	Agree with	suggested		Please include justification for your position based on objective
Section	concept and	rewording of		experience and empirical data. If there is a specific statement
Number(s)	text as	text in	Disagree with	with which you take exception, please provide the Page and Line
	proposed	Comments	concept	numbers from the mark-up version of the proposed MUTCD text.
	ргорозса		отперт	The mark up version of the proposed moves text
				Section 8D.03 Automatic Gates should have Guidance stating "If
				an automatic gate is used at an active grade crossing where road
				users are controlled by flashing-light signals, when in the down
				position, the gate arm should be at a right angle to the traveled
00.03		Na		way." Similar to Section 8C.03 Stop and Yield Lines - Guidance "If
8D.03		No		a yield line (see Figure 3B-16) or stop line is used at a passive
				grade crossing, it should be a transverse line (see Figure 3B-16)
				at a right angle to the traveled way" and Guidance "If a stop line
				is used at an active grade crossing where road users are
				controlled by flashing-light signals, it should be a transverse line
				at a right angle to the traveled way".
8D.04	Yes			
8D.05	Yes			
8D.07	Yes			
8D.09	Yes			
8D.10	Yes			
8D.11	Yes			
8D.12	Yes			
8D.13	Yes			
8D.14 8D.15	Yes Yes			
8D.16	Yes			
8E.01	Yes			
8E.02	Yes			
8E.03	Yes			
8E.04	Yes			
8E.05	Yes			
8E.06	Yes			
8E.07	Yes			
8E.08	Yes			
				The new proposed Standard "A pathway or sidewalk grade
				crossing across tracks where trains are permitted to travel at
				speeds of 80 mph or higher shall be equipped with a system of
				automatic pedestrian gates and an escape area 38 with swing
				gates and fencing installed in the vicinity of the crossing to direct
				users to the pathway or sidewalk grade crossing (see Figure 8E-
8E.09		No		7) unless an engineering study determines that other safety
				treatments for the crossing would be more appropriate." calls
				for pedestrain gates when they are known to have a lot of
				compliance issues - people just go around them or raise them
				up. While the "unless an engineering study determines" text is
				included, the "shall be equipped" sounds like a mandate to use
				on a questionable device.
8E.10	Yes			

Page 19 of 21 Nathan Vatter - TDOT

	ı		ı	
		Agree with		
Proposed		concept:		Comments
Section		suggested		Please include justification for your position based on objective
Number(s)	· ·	rewording of		experience and empirical data. If there is a specific statement
ivamber(3)		text in	_	with which you take exception, please provide the Page and Line
	proposed	Comments	concept	numbers from the mark-up version of the proposed MUTCD text.
9A.01	Yes			
9A.01	Yes			
9A.02	Yes			
9A.03	Yes			
9A.03	Yes			
9B.01	Yes			
9B.02	Yes			
9B.03	Yes			
9B.04	Yes			
9B.08	Yes			
9B.10	Yes			
9B.11	Yes			
9B.12	Yes			
9B.14	Yes			
9B.15	Yes			
9B.16	Yes			
9B.17	Yes			
9B.18	Yes			
9B.19	Yes			
9B.20	Yes			
9B.21	Yes			
9B.22	Yes			
9B.23	Yes			
9B.25	Yes			
9C.05	Yes			
9C.06	Yes			
9C.07	Yes			
9C.08	Yes			
9C.09	Yes			
9D.01	Yes			
9D.02	Yes			
9D.03	Yes			
9D.04	Yes			
9D.05	Yes			
9D.06	Yes			
9D.07	Yes			
9D.08	Yes			
9D.09	Yes			
9D.10	Yes			
9D.12	Yes			
9D.13	Yes			
9E.01	Yes			
9E.02	Yes			
9E.03	Yes			
9E.04	Yes			
9E.05	Yes			Nother Vetter TDOT

				_
Proposed Section Number(s)	Agree with concept and text as proposed	Agree with concept: suggested rewording of text in Comments	Disagree with concept	Comments Please include justification for your position based on objective experience and empirical data. If there is a specific statement with which you take exception, please provide the Page and Line numbers from the mark-up version of the proposed MUTCD text.
9E.06	Yes			
9E.07	Yes			
9E.08	Yes			
9E.09	Yes			
9E.10	Yes			
9E.11	Yes			
9E.12	Yes			
9E.13	Yes			
9E.14	Yes			
9E.15	Yes			
9E.17	Yes			
9F.02	Yes			
9G	Yes			
9G.01	Yes			
9G.02	Yes			
9G.03	Yes			
9G.04	Yes			
9G.05	Yes			
9G.06	Yes			

Page 21 of 21 Nathan Vatter - TDOT