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**TO:** All Design, Operations, and District Personnel, and Consultants

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**SUBJECT:** Coordination of Bridge Inspection during Construction

**EFFECTIVE:** Lettings on or after September 1, 2016

The frequency of routine and post-construction bridge inspections is mandated by FHWA, and the timing for performing the inspection may occur while a project is under construction. Completion dates for bridge inspection are not adjusted for these circumstances, and failing to perform the required inspection in a timely manner can result in a loss of federal funding.

Bridge inspection is also required within 90 days of a new, reconstructed, or repaired bridge (in whole or in part) being open to traffic. This inspection period applies equally during MOT phases and when the bridge is wholly open to traffic. RSP 105-C-247 has been developed to indicate these timing requirements and identify the bridges that are due for inspection, the type of inspection required, and frequency.

Designers should complete RSP and include it in all bridge and road contracts. This includes contracts for which no bridge work is scheduled, e.g., a road project where the bridge is part of a paving exception or is an overpass structure. Where there are no bridges within the construction limits, the table should be marked "No bridges within construction limits."

The information needed to complete the table is available in the Department's Bridge Inspection Application System (BIAS). Designers may contact the appropriate INDOT Bridge Inspector below, or query BIAS to obtain the information. Instructions to query BIAS for inspection information are included as an attachment to this memo.

District	Bridge Inspector	Title	Email
Crawfordsville	Nate Pfeiffer	Bridge Inspection Area Engineer	<a href="mailto:npfeiffer@indot.IN.gov">npfeiffer@indot.IN.gov</a>
Fort Wayne	Josh Biller	Bridge Inspection Supervisor	<a href="mailto:jbiller@indot.IN.gov">jbiller@indot.IN.gov</a>
Greenfield	Jim Mickler	Bridge Inspection Supervisor	<a href="mailto:jmickler@indot.IN.gov">jmickler@indot.IN.gov</a>
LaPorte	Nate Pfeiffer	Bridge Inspection Area Engineer	<a href="mailto:npfeiffer@indot.IN.gov">npfeiffer@indot.IN.gov</a>
Seymour	Chris Everman	Bridge Inspection Supervisor	<a href="mailto:ceverman@indot.IN.gov">ceverman@indot.IN.gov</a>
Vincennes	Andy Pinkstaff	Bridge Inspection Supervisor	<a href="mailto:apinkstaff@indot.IN.gov">apinkstaff@indot.IN.gov</a>

Questions regarding BIAS should be directed to the Bridge Inspection Office at [INbridgeshelp@indot.in.gov](mailto:INbridgeshelp@indot.in.gov)