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**MEMORANDUM
03-05**

TO: District Directors
District Construction Engineers
Toll Road Operations Engineer
District Area Engineers
District Project Engineers/Supervisors
District Materials and Tests Engineers

FROM: Timothy D. Bertram, Chief
Contracts and Construction Division

RE: Acceptance of Widening Mixtures

It has been brought to my attention by the 400 Committee that for 2004, widening, which is found in section 304 will no longer be referenced to section 401 of the specification but will be referenced to section 402. This means that widening will no longer be QC/QA-HMA and therefore will no longer require plate sampling. Widening will still be a designed mix, but will allow acceptance by certification.

It has been decided that it makes sense to allow this change on current contracts. This will not be a whole sale change but will be allowed upon the request of the Contractor to do so.

This change will be made as a no cost change order.

This will only be allowed where the original item name is specifically called out as a widening item.

For example: The original item is: Widening with QC/QA-HMA, ____, ____, ____, ____mm
The new item will be: Widening with HMA Type ____

If you should have any questions on this issue please contact your Field Engineer.

TDB: ggp