TO: District Directors  
District Construction Engineers  
Toll Road Operations Engineer  
District Material & Tests Engineers  
District Area Engineers  
Project Engineers/Supervisors

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RE: Use of Prime Coat

For years INDOT has required the placement of prime coat on existing or newly constructed aggregate bases for various reasons. I have been recently informed by our Materials and Tests Division personnel that because of the problems associated with the availability and placement of this material it may be omitted on all contracts except for when it is used on rubblized portland cement concrete pavements (PCCP).

Effective immediately a contractor may request to eliminate the placement of prime coat on any active contract except a contract where it is used in conjunction with rubblized PCCP. Since there is normally a pay item in the contract for prime coat, it will just not be used and no further action is needed by the PE/S. If there is a case where the prime coat is included in the cost of other work, then a change order for the cost of the material and placement thereof would need to be generated as a credit to the contract for work not performed.

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