

Comments to the Federal Register for EDC 4 & the MUTCD

EDC 4

In preparing for the fourth round of Every Day Counts (EDC) initiatives (2017-2018), FHWA has issued a Federal Register Notice requesting input on the list of topics to be developed. Attached you will find a link to the federal register notice for your reference [Request for Information \(RFI\)](#) if you are interested in submitting comments.

The solicitation also requests ideas on other topics we would like EDC to consider. Any comments must be submitted by January 31, 2016.

Here is a quick summary of the topics that are proposed under the EDC notice—a link describing the activity may be found in the RFI link above:

1. Traffic Incident Management (TIM) Performance Management
2. Automated Traffic Signal Performance Measurement System
3. Road Weather Management—Weather Savvy Roads
4. Strategic Use of Freeway Shoulders for Part-Time Travel
5. Safety Improvements at Uncontrolled Crossing Locations
6. Creating Safe Bicycle Networks
7. Mainstreaming Bicycle and Pedestrian Data Collection
8. Integrating NEPA and the Permitting Processes
9. Construction Partnering
10. GeoTech Tools; Improved Decision Making in Project Delivery (SHRPP 2 R02)
11. Enhanced Geotechnical Characterization for Rapid Project Delivery

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ACEC/WSDOT Structures
Team Design Review Services

Bridge Preventive Maintenance;
Or Keeping the Water Out.

Regulating Access on
Washington State Highways

12. Advanced Hydraulic 3D Modeling

13. Nondestructive Evaluation (NDE) Applications for Condition Assessment of Bridges, Pavements and Tunnels

14. Surface Treatments for Extended Life (Pavements Bridges)

15. The Maintenance Innovation Toolbox (MIT)

MUTCD

On Tuesday December 22, 2015, FHWA posted a request for comments on the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices for Streets and Highways (MUTCD). The MUTCD is recognized as the national standard for traffic control devices used on all streets, highways, bikeways, and private roads open to the public travel. FHWA is requesting responses to a series of questions regarding the future direction of the MUTCD. Comments must be received by February 18, 2016. To access the Federal Register [click here](#) and look for Vol. 80, No. 245.

The FHWA is interested in planning for future editions of the MUTCD [1] that will reflect the growing number and application of traffic control devices, changes in technology not only for traffic control devices, but for viewing content in the MUTCD, and developing a structure for the MUTCD that is efficient and easy to use.

The purpose of this notice is to solicit comments from users of the MUTCD about the direction of future editions of the MUTCD. This notice includes a set of specific questions for which FHWA requests comments. Comments and input may be offered on any part of this notification.