

Design Memorandum

TO: All Design Section Staff

FROM: Bijan Khaleghi DATE: February 2nd, 2012

SUBJECT: Guide Specifications for LRFD Seismic Bridge Design, 2nd Edition 2011

The AASHTO Guide Specifications for LRFD Seismic Bridge Design, 2nd Edition 2011 shall be used for all WSDOT bridges and structures. The General Notes of all Contract Plans shall call for "AASHTO Guide Specifications for LRFD Seismic Bridge Design, 2nd Edition, 2011.

Background

The new AASHTO Guide Specifications for LRFD Seismic Bridge Design, 2nd Edition 2011 incorporated most design recommendations of WSDOT BDM Chapter 4. Adopting the new document does not affect our designs. The BDM chapter 4 is being revised to reflect the new guide Specifications.

If you have any questions regarding these issues, please contact Bijan Khaleghi at 360-705-7181.

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