



INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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TO: All Design Personnel and Consultants

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SUBJECT: Construction Signs

EFFECTIVE: Lettings on or after March 1, 2026

The Standards Committee approved revisions to *Standard Specifications* sections 623 and 801 and Standard Drawings series 801-TCSN, Traffic Control Signs, at the [October 2025](#) meeting (item 6). Sign revisions are based on the 2024 FHWA [Standard Highway Signs](#) and the forthcoming edition of the *Indiana Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices*.

Revisions are included in RSP 801-T-246, Road Work Ahead Signs; RPD 801-T-245d, Road Construction and Road Work Ahead Signs; and RPD 801-T-247d, Traffic Control Signs. The RSP and RPDs are available on the November RSP Menu and should be included in contracts as indicated.

RPD 801-T-247d will be incorporated into Standard Drawings series 801-TCSN as part of the 2026 publication. RPD 801-T-245d will remain active until the sign revisions are incorporated into the Standard Drawings listed on the drawing.

Revisions

A summary of significant construction sign revisions is included at the end of this memo. Other notable revisions include

- Added larger wood post size options for temporary panel signs that can accommodate standard route marker sizes and lettering. Larger wood post sizes are not breakaway and need to be placed outside the clear zone or behind barrier wall or guardrail.
- Revised the threshold area for determining construction sign types from 9 sq ft to 8 sq ft.

IDM Revisions

Editorial revisions have been made to IDM [Chapter 503](#), section 503-7.01. Revisions include adding the 2024 FHWA [Standard Highway Signs](#) as a reference and updating the terms “Road Construction Ahead” and “End Construction” to “Road Work Ahead” and “End Road Work”.

Questions

Questions about project specific applications should be discussed with the appropriate District Traffic Engineer. For general questions regarding construction sign updates, please contact David Boruff, Office of Traffic Administration Manager, at dboruff@indot.in.gov.

Significant Construction Sign Changes

Old Sign Code	New Sign Code	Summary of Change
XW105-1	XW9-7	The word “For” was added and the sign is now rectangular (132”x72”).
XW20-1a	XG20-1	The word “Repairs” was changed to “Work”, and the sign is now rectangular (48”x24”).
XW20-1	XW20-1	The word “Construction” has been replaced with “Work”.
XW21-8a	XW21-8	The word “Crews” was deleted from “Mowing Ahead”.
XW103-1	XW26-1	The word “For” is now after “Watch” on the first line instead of before “Stopped” on the second line.
XW109-1	E5-1	This sign is now white on green instead of black on orange.
XW106-2	E5-2	“Exit Open” is now a rectangular sign (48”x36”).
XW106-1	E5-2a	“Exit Closed” is now a rectangular sign (48”x36”).
XG20-2	XG20-2	The word “Construction” has been replaced with “Road Work”.

For in-house designers the Construction Sign cell library has been updated with the applicable changes.