

**New Jersey Department of Transportation
QUALITY IMPROVEMENT ADVISORY**

CAPITAL PROGRAM SUPPORT

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Subject: American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Sign (Construction Identification Sign)

Process Affected:

Scope Design Right of Way Utilities Environmental Historic Construction

Bureaus Affected: In-house Design, Project Management, Traffic Engineering, Construction, Design Consultants

Procedure(s) Affected:

Nature of Issue(s): On March 3, 2009 President Obama made the commitment that all projects funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) will bear a recovery emblem to make it easier for Americans to see which projects are funded by the ARRA. To meet this commitment, designers are to include the ARRA signs on all projects funded by the ARRA including projects under construction.

Recommendation(s): The attached Construction Detail Sheet CD-159-10 depicting the ARRA sign, Sign No. 4, to be used for Interstate, Primary & Secondary roadways with payment to be under the item "Construction Identification Sign, __ x __". The item number to be used is 159014M and measurement and payment will be made under UNIT. The vertical dimensions for the construction identification sign is the sum total of both the sign and plaque. Designers and Resident Engineers must visit the FHWA Website (<http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/economicrecovery/arrasigndetail.pdf>) to become familiar with the ARRA Guidelines for sign placement.

Implementation: Special (S) – Effective immediately, changes must be implemented in all Department projects receiving ARRA, 2009; (Stimulus Act) funding. All necessary addenda and/or addenda to postpone the receipt of bids must be issued to ensure compliance.

A change order must be issued to incorporate this requirement for projects under construction.

Impact Assessment:

Schedule Quality Cost Scope

Cost Impact: Minor