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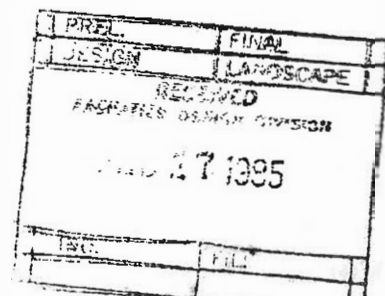
The purpose of this Engineering Instruction is to explain the Department's monitoring procedures to assure quality of general bridge inspections in New York State. This Engineering Instruction applies to all general inspections whether performed by Department employees or consultants working under the Department's direction.

1. INTRAREGIONAL MONITORING

At least once a year, each Regional Structures Engineer in Regions 1 through 10 shall arrange for the re-inspection of at least three selected bridges for each inspection team operating in his Region (consultant inspection teams and State employee inspection teams). The Regional Structures Engineers shall have each selected bridge re-inspected by a State bridge inspection team, but the bridge cannot be re-inspected by the same team that initially performed the inspection.

In Region 11, the Regional Structures Engineer shall have each selected bridge re-inspected by a consultant other than the consultant that performed the original inspection.

In all Regions, the Regional Structures Engineer shall compare the re-inspection report against the original inspection report and shall prepare a memorandum summarizing the comparison. This memorandum shall be submitted to the Structures Division, along with a copy of both inspection reports. This submission will be reviewed in the Structures Division for statewide uniformity and interpretation of standards. After their review, the Structures Division shall notify the Regional Structures Engineer, in writing, of any comments. Following receipt of the Structures Division's comments, the Regional Structures Engineer shall issue a report of instruction to the appropriate inspection teams (consultant and/or State employee) reflecting the Structures Engineer's memorandum and Structures Division comments, as may be appropriate.



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2. INTERREGIONAL MONITORING

At least once a year, the Structures Division shall arrange for the re-inspection of at least three selected bridges for each State inspection team operating in each Region. In Regions 1 thru 10, State inspection teams will monitor State teams in adjacent Regions. The review and reporting procedure will be the same as described in the third paragraph of 1. INTRAREGIONAL MONITORING on page 1.

3. MAIN-OFFICE MONITORING

Representatives of the Structures Division shall make one or more visits yearly to each inspection team (both consultant and State teams). A report will be made of each visit. A copy of the report will be supplied to the Regional Structures Engineer and the appropriate inspection team.

The monitoring described in this instruction will be implemented on January 1, 1985 for State teams and on October 1, 1985 for consultant teams.