Memorandum

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**Federal Highway
Administration**

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Subject: **<u>ACTION</u>**: LTPP Directive TDP-56
Traffic Data Processing for Out-of-Study Test Sections

Date: June 19, 2017

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Attached is the Long-Term Pavement Performance (LTPP) Program Directive TDP-56. This directive is to provide guidance to the LTPP Regional Support Contractors on processing traffic data for out-of-study test sections.

Please ensure that all personnel involved with the Traffic Program are aware of this new directive. Should you have any questions or would like to discuss this directive, please do not hesitate to contact Deborah Walker via email at <u>deborah.walker@dot.gov</u> or (202) 493-3068.

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LONG-TERM PAVEMENT PERFORMANCE PROGRAM DIRECTIVE

For the Technical Direction of the LTPP Program

Program Area:	Traffic	**Directive Number:**	TDP-56
Date:	June 19, 2017	**Supersedes:**	N/A
Subject:	*Traffic Data Processing for Out-of-Study Test Sections*		

Purpose

The purpose of this directive is to provide guidance to the Long-Term Pavement Performance (LTPP) Regional Support Contractors on processing traffic data for out-of-study test sections.

Traffic data processing includes review of monitored and estimated traffic data provided by either the highway agencies or FHWA's traffic data collection contractor. Effective June 19, 2017, traffic data processing will end for out-of-study test sections. However, traffic data loaded after an out-of-study date or before the effective date of this directive that has completed regular processing, does not need to be removed from the LTPP Traffic Analysis Software (LTAS) database.

Traffic data received from highway agencies for out-of-study test sections loaded into LTAS after the effective date of this directive may be handled by removing the data from LTAS and the ancillary data extraction portal, or marking upload to "N" in Traffic_Analysis_Tracker for all data types loaded without graphical review or creation of a QC packet. (Reprocess code should have only 3s, 4s or 5s).

Future out-of-study test sections with traffic data remaining in the LTAS tables must have a comment for the year in Traffic_Site_Remarks so that the data can be ignored during future data reviews or issues identified in future LTPP Data Analysis Operations Feedback Reports. LTPP lane data should be commented with a code of 101 (site out-of-study automated reviews only) and non-LTPP lane data should be commented with a code of 110 (Non-LTPP lane; no investigation for purge or upgrade).

The LTPP program will no longer request or enter traffic estimates from highway agencies in the pavement performance database for out-of-study test sections.

Questions concerning this directive should be addressed to the FHWA LTPP program office.

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