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# <u>MEMORANDUM</u>

**TO:** All users of the Delaware Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices

- VIA: Shanté Hastings, P.E. SALA Chief Engineer, Deputy Secretary
- FROM: Craig Blowers, P.E. MASH Committee Chair
- **DATE:** December 22, 2021
- SUBJECT: Sunset Dates for Temporary Traffic Control Devices approved under NCHRP Report 350

# A. Background

In 2018 the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) issued a guidance memorandum requiring each state to provide an acceptable process for determining crashworthiness of roadside safety hardware. In response, the Delaware Department of Transportation (DelDOT) enacted Policy Implement Number D-09, establishing DelDOT's Manual for Assessing Safety Hardware (MASH) Committee and charging it with the completing reviews of and making recommendations on the crashworthiness of roadside safety hardware. The MASH Committee previously determined sunset dates for various Temporary Traffic Control (TTC) Devices in its April 2020 meeting. The MASH Committee has revisited those dates and adjusted them to reduce confusion and promote uniformity. This memorandum formalizes the Committee's determination.



### B. Sunset Dates

Contractors may continue to deploy TTC Devices that conform to NCHRP 350 standards and meet the American Traffic Safety Services Association's Quality Guidelines for Work Zone Traffic Control Devices on projects that are advertised prior to these dates. TTC Devices on projects advertised after their respective Sunset Dates must conform to MASH 2016.

Device	Date
Temporary Barrier Wall	January 1, 2025
Temporary Sign Stands	January 1, 2025
Temporary Impact Attenuators	January 1, 2025
Truck Mounted Attenuators	January 1, 2030

DelDOT personnel may continue to deploy compliant NCHRP 350 devices for maintenance and emergency applications until the sunset dates listed above but shall only purchase new devices that conform to MASH 2016.

## C. Further Information

Any TTC Devices used on Department roadways must still be listed on the Department's Approved Product list. Devices that do not appear on the list must be submitted to the Department for review and approval prior to their use.

### RECOMMENDED

Signature: Craig Blowers, P.E., On Behalf of the MASH Committee

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Date

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# APPROVED

Signature:

Shanté Hastings, P.E., Chief Engineer

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