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Subject: Revisions to MassDOT COVID-19 Construction Guidelines

Dear Mr. Pourbaix,

As you know, Governor Baker recently announced there have been significant improvements and continued positive trends in the public health data regarding COVID-19. On April 29, 2021, he issued COVID-19 Order No. 67 – Further Revised Order Regarding Face Coverings. These favorable developments have prompted MassDOT to review the current construction guidelines to see what adjustments needed to be made, therefore effective May 4, 2021 the following revisions are to be implemented:

1. The Special Provisions, COVID-19 GUIDELINES AND PROCEDURES, issued for all contracts in April 2020 have been revised (see attached). The Contractor will no longer be required to submit a certifying compliance letter at the start of work or a daily compliance checklist. The Contractor will be required to adhere to the Executive COVID-19 Order No. 67.
2. For active contracts, while the requirement to submit the daily Contractor COVID-19 Guidelines Compliance Checklist is no longer necessary, Contractors shall adhere to the Governor's COVID-19 Order No. 67 dated April 29th, 2021:

<https://www.mass.gov/doc/covid-19-order-67/download>
3. Resident Engineers and their staff will no longer be required to identify COVID-19 related issues in the Field Inspection Reports as the MS/Power BI – Daily COVID-19 Construction Impact Reports will be discontinued.
4. Contractors will still be required to report all known positive COVID-19 cases for personnel working on MassDOT projects using the MassDOT CONTRACTOR INCIDENT REPORT / Workforce COVID-19 Cases form per memorandum dated December 29, 2020.

5. Contractors are no longer required to submit a HASP certification letter or install new COVID-19 Control Plan posters on site per memorandum dated 5/21/2020.

Should you have any questions regarding these changes please contact Mr. David Spicer, State Construction Engineer.

Sincerely,

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