

MINNESOTA COMMITTEE ON UNIFORM TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES
AUGUST 12, 2015 MEETING MINUTES
WATERS EDGE

Members				Guests			
Janelle Anderson	x	Howard Preston	x	Peter Buchen			
Chris Byrd	x	Mark Sehr					
Diane Colton	x	Tom Sohrweide	x				
Tiffany Dagon	x	Paul St. Martin	x				
Joe Gustafson	x	Will Stein					
Jon Krieg		Scott Thompson					
Heather Lott	x						
Tim Plath	x						
Scott Poska							

Explained Absence:

Jon Krieg
Will Stein

Unexplained Absence:

cc:

Susan Groth
Kristi Sebastian

Meeting started at 12:30 PM

Announcements

None

Business from the Floor

None

Corrections to the Minutes

None

Old Business

- 1) **FHWA Updates**.....Will Stein
None
- 2) **Requests for Experimentation Update**Janelle Anderson
 - See attached spreadsheet for status on Requests to Experiment.
 - Note that the Gore Diversion Indicators in use by MnDOT Metro Maintenance have had no hits since installation.

New Business

- 1) **Peter Buchen – AASHTO National Committee Meeting in June.**
 Peter attended the AASHTO National Committee meeting in Atlanta this past June. At that meeting he was updated on the status of the next edition of the MUTCD. Currently the FHWA is understaffed. Tentative dates for the update:
 11/2016 - Hope to have something for review
 10/2017 - Final ready for Federal Register

11/2017 – Publish Document

The FHWA is open to accepting comments on the existing manual now.

2) Turning Vehicles Yield to Bicycles Sign (R10-15) recommendation by NCUTCD to FHWA to add or revise the content of the MUTCD (see attached) – Janelle Anderson.

The NCUTCD Bicycle Technical Committee is proposing to add two versions of the R10-15 sign to include bicycles (currently exist for pedestrians). Affected section of the MUTCD: 2B.53 and 9B.14.

FHWA said no - must do a Request to Experiment.

Group discussion included:

The design of the signs is fine.

Better to have vehicles merging into the bike lane prior to a right turn.

What are the laws regarding motor vehicles/bikes?

Do not want bicycles thinking that they have the right of way.

Let's see what is included in the next version of the MUTCD.

3) Accessibility sign design – Minnesota not compliant with MUTCD (see attached) – Heather Lott.

MnDOT sign design is not compliant with the MUTCD. Minnesota has an all white design on a blue background.

4) Round Robin

Howard Preston – there is a revised edition available of the [Traffic Safety Fundamentals Handbook](#) (June 2015). The new edition includes data updates and expanded sections.

Howard noted that no other state has the data system that supports/helps create this type of document.

**The next meeting date is Wednesday, Sept 9, 2015
MnDOT Waters Edge Conference Room 403 from 12:30pm to 3:00pm**