

MEMORANDUM

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SUBJECT: Vehicle Detector Clearinghouse Quarterly Status Report

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Following is an update on the status of the VDC:

- Attended and chaired the June 14 and 15 task group and subcommittee meetings, respectively, of ASTM E17.52 subcommittee on Traffic Monitoring Devices held in Reno, Nevada.
- VDC consultants Perry Kent, John Hamrick and Larry Klein also attended and participated in the June 2005 ASTM E17.52 subcommittee meetings held in Reno, Nevada.
- During the June 2005 ASTM E17.52 subcommittee meetings the comments received on the latest version of the “Standard Specification for Highway Traffic Monitoring Devices” that was balloted for concurrent subcommittee/main committee ballot in April 2005 were addressed. The standard received no negative votes. However, subcommittee members decided to rebalot this standard along with the test methods standard currently under development in July 2005. The specification will be useful to state personnel in the purchase of Traffic Monitoring equipment and allow them to dispense with the writing of purchase specifications each time new equipment is needed.
- During the June 2005 ASTM E17.52 subcommittee meetings the group discussed the latest version of the “Standard Test Methods for Highway Traffic Monitoring Devices.” Plans are to submit the latest revised version of this standard along with the specification standard for subcommittee ballot by the end of July 2005 and for main committee ballot by October 2005. The comments received on the balloted items would then be formally addressed during the December 2005 meeting to be held at College Station, Texas. The test method will assist state personnel in the testing of traffic monitoring equipment to insure conformity with the specification mentioned previously.
- Continued to provide technical assistance to traffic monitoring professionals via telephone and email.
- Continued to update the VDC web page including the equipment databases of state and vendor information.

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