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MEMORANDUM

TO: ASSISTANT DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR - OPERATIONS

FROM: HAYLYE BROWN, P.E. #B

STRUCTURES & FACILITIES ENGINEER ADMINISTRATOR

RE: SNBI CHANGES TO UNDERWATER INSPECTION INTERVALS

The purpose of this memorandum is to serve as notification of the new guidelines for Inspection Intervals based on the final NBIS regulations published June 6, 2022 to become effective immediately.

Notable changes:

The 23 CFR 650.311: Inspection interval (link: https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-23/chapter-I/subchapter-G/part-650/subpart-C/section-650.311#p-650.311(a)(1)(ii)) Method 1 requires 24 month underwater inspections for bridges where the underwater inspection, channel, channel protection, or scour condition rating is coded 3 or less.

LADOTD Reduced Interval policy for 24 month underwater inspections will be updated to match Method 1 as required by 23 CFR 650.311 above. This will replace the guidance found in Table 5-2 of the Bridge Inspection Manual.

Should you have any questions, please contact Stephanie Doolittle at (225) 379-1329.

HGB: SSD

Cc: Mr. Kevin Reed Mr. Todd Donmyer