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PURPOSE OF MANUAL

The purpose of this manual is to set forth standardized procedures to aid District Traffic Operations Engineers and Consultant Engineers in design of traffic signal installations and to apply the Department policies in doing so. It is also to serve as a guideline in the preparation of traffic signal plans and traffic signal inventory forms (TSI). This manual does not replace the Manual on Uniform Traffic Devices (MUTCD), but is intended as a supplement to it.

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CHAPTER 1

JUSTIFICATION FOR SIGNAL CONTROL

Generally the installation of a traffic signal is considered only after all of the following conditions are met:[1]

- One or more of the traffic signal warrants are met.
- An engineering study shows that traffic signalization will improve the overall traffic operations and/or safety of an intersection.
- The resulting traffic signal will not disrupt the progressive traffic flow from adjacent traffic signals.

The Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices, (MUTCD) cautions that "the satisfaction of a traffic signal warrant or warrants shall not in itself require the installation of a traffic control signal."[2]

A. ADVANCE ENGINEERING DATA

The following engineering data is needed for a traffic signal study.[3]

1.0 Traffic Counts – Traffic counts should be made on a typical weekday for the location, which would normally be in the middle of the week (Tuesday thru Thursday). Additionally, if the location is affected by school traffic, then the count should be made when school is in session. Counts should be avoided on holidays, and during special events or inclement weather.

1.1 Machine traffic counts – Twenty-four (24) hour directional machine counts should be conducted on each approach counting all vehicles entering the intersection. The count data should be presented in a format similar to that shown in Figure 1A-1.

1.2 Manual Traffic Counts – Manual traffic counts should be conducted on each approach of the intersection showing all vehicular movements during each 15 minute interval for a minimum of 2 hours in both the AM and PM peak periods. Noon time counts may also be required at certain locations. In any case, these hours should include the periods of greatest traffic volumes as revealed by the previously conducted machine traffic counts. The count data should be presented in a format similar to that shown in Figure 1A-2.

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[1] Traffic Engineering Handbook, 1999, p.460
[2] MUTCD, Millennium Edition, 2001, Part 4, p. 4c-1
[3] MUTCD, Millennium Edition, 2001, Part 4, p. 4c-2 – 4c-3

1.3 Pedestrian Traffic Counts – If pedestrians are a concern, pedestrian volume counts should be conducted on each crosswalk for the same periods as the manual traffic counts and during the periods of peak pedestrian volumes. The presence of nearby facilities that could generate young, elderly, or disabled pedestrian traffic should be noted. The count data should be submitted in a format that shows hourly pedestrian volumes by approach.

2.0 Speed Data – a speed study showing the 85th percentile speeds on the uncontrolled approaches to the intersection.

3.0 Condition Diagram – a diagram of the intersection showing its geometry, channelization, pavement markings, driveways, utility poles, parking conditions, transit stops, adjacent land use, nearby railroad crossings and the distance to the nearest traffic signal (if less than 1 mile). Figure 1A-3 is an example of a typical condition diagram.

4.0 Condition Report – a chart listing the following information by approach: Route Number, Street Name, Direction, Width, Surface Type, Posted Speed Limit, Control Device, Estimated Sight Distance and Sight Obstruction Identification. (See Figure 1A-4).

5.0 Collision Diagram – a diagram or listing showing the accident record for the intersection covering the most recent 12 months (as a minimum) for which records are available . Each accident symbol or record should show the type accident, the direction of travel of the vehicles, the severity (injuries/fatalities), time of day, date, weather, and lighting conditions. A typical collision diagram is shown in Figure 1A-5.

FIGURE 1 A-1
MACHINE COUNT FORMAT
EXAMPLE

CITY PARISH DISTRICT 02
Kenner **Jefferson**
INTERSECTION:
LA 49 (Williams Blvd) @ 21st Street
DAY/DATE
Wed/Thur 1-24/25-2001
file name: Williams@21stStreet

TIME	**Williams Blvd** NORTH APPROACH	**Williams Blvd** SOUTH APPROACH	**21st Street** EAST APPROACH	**21st Street** WEST APPROACH	NORTH AND SOUTH TOTAL	EAST AND WEST TOTAL	ALL TOTAL
MID	117	124	20	12	241	32	273
AM 1:00	109	82	13	2	191	15	206
AM 2:00	80	51	11	2	131	13	144
AM 3:00	64	61	1	5	125	6	131
AM 4:00	139	88	10	2	227	12	239
AM 5:00	273	256	20	17	529	37	566
AM 6:00	773	510	120	36	1283	156	1439
AM 7:00	1207	778	159	49	1985	208	2193
AM 8:00	1308	1035	216	51	2343	267	2610
AM 9:00	982	1025	164	49	2007	213	2220
AM 10:00	925	1038	171	48	1963	219	2182
AM 11:00	1078	1061	204	69	2139	273	2412
NOON	1041	1129	273	80	2170	353	2523
PM 1:00	1067	1105	228	67	2172	295	2467
PM 2:00	1147	1099	261	67	2246	328	2574
PM 3:00	1174	1304	259	82	2478	341	2819
PM 4:00	1128	1270	262	100	2398	362	2760
PM 5:00	1110	1294	263	89	2404	352	2756
PM 6:00	938	1017	277	88	1955	365	2320
PM 7:00	794	698	182	70	1492	252	1744
PM 8:00	562	520	113	48	1082	161	1243
PM 9:00	501	443	102	46	944	148	1092
PM 10:00	316	315	66	37	631	103	734
PM 11:00	200	168	40	13	368	53	421
TOTAL	**17033**	**16471**	**3435**	**1129**	**33504**	**4564**	**38068**

FIGURE 1 A-2
MANUAL TURNING MOVEMENT COUNT FORMAT
EXAMPLE

DISTRICT 02 **VEHICLE AND PEDESTRIAN VOLUME SUMMARY**

CITY: **Kenner**

PARISH: **Jefferson**

INTERSECTION: **LA 49 (Williams Blvd.) @ 21st Street**

DAY & DATE: **Wed/Thurs 1-24/25-2001**

NOTES:

FILE NAME: LA49@21stH2001

BEGIN TIME	Williams Blvd. NORTH APPROACH				Williams Blvd. SOUTH APPROACH				21st Street EAST APPROACH				21st Street WEST APPROACH				TOTALS		
	LEFT	THRU	RIGHT	TOTAL	LEFT	THRU	RIGHT	TOTAL	LEFT	THRU	RIGHT	TOTAL	LEFT	THRU	RIGHT	TOTAL	N&S	E&W	ALL
7:00 AM	12	223	3	238	1	171	8	180	12	1	8	21	5	1	4	10	418	31	449
7:15 AM	19	254	3	276	2	139	4	145	16	0	16	32	4	0	0	4	421	36	457
7:30 AM	13	308	3	324	0	178	6	184	22	2	14	38	6	4	2	12	508	50	558
7:45 AM	14	291	0	305	0	203	11	214	12	2	10	24	6	0	4	10	519	34	553
8:00 AM	13	299	1	313	3	233	14	250	15	2	15	32	2	3	4	9	563	41	604
8:15 AM	19	361	2	382	5	217	31	253	14	2	18	34	4	4	3	11	635	45	680
8:30 AM	11	285	4	300	3	229	13	245	20	6	21	47	4	1	4	9	545	56	601
8:45 AM	17	242	0	259	8	231	7	246	13	2	21	36	7	3	5	15	505	51	556
MORNING TOTALS	118	2263	16	2397	22	1601	94	1717	124	17	123	264	38	16	26	80	4114	344	4458
4:00 PM	17	231	6	254	4	292	12	308	28	6	20	54	11	5	4	20	562	74	636
4:15 PM	26	233	2	261	1	253	21	275	11	3	22	36	7	4	4	15	536	51	587
4:30 PM	11	268	3	282	5	344	13	362	35	8	20	63	10	3	3	16	644	79	723
4:45 PM	14	264	4	282	5	276	24	305	22	2	21	45	8	1	6	15	587	60	647
5:00 PM	29	264	6	299	2	302	20	324	20	4	24	48	15	9	5	29	623	77	700
5:15 PM	21	251	4	276	3	299	26	328	27	3	16	46	7	4	5	16	604	62	666
5:30 PM	21	243	6	270	6	321	22	349	25	8	20	53	12	1	5	18	619	71	690
5:45 PM	24	222	3	249	5	266	10	281	20	3	27	50	7	6	3	16	530	66	596
EVENING TOTALS	163	1976	34	2173	31	2353	148	2532	188	37	170	395	77	33	35	145	4705	540	5245
ALL TOTALS	281	4239	50	4570	53	3954	242	4249	312	54	293	659	115	49	61	225	8819	884	9703

HOURLY TOTALS BEGINTIME																	TOTALS		
	LEFT	THRU	RIGHT	TOTAL	LEFT	THRU	RIGHT	TOTAL	LEFT	THRU	RIGHT	TOTAL	LEFT	THRU	RIGHT	TOTAL	N&S	E&W	ALL
7:00 AM	58	1076	9	1143	3	691	29	723	62	5	48	115	21	5	10	36	1866	151	2017
7:15 AM	59	1152	7	1218	5	753	35	793	65	6	55	126	18	7	10	35	2011	161	2172
7:30 AM	59	1259	6	1324	8	831	62	901	63	8	57	128	18	11	13	42	2225	170	2395
7:45 AM	57	1236	7	1300	11	882	69	962	61	12	64	137	16	8	15	39	2262	176	2438
8:00 AM	60	1187	7	1254	19	910	65	994	62	12	75	149	17	11	16	44	2248	193	2441
4:00 PM	68	996	15	1079	15	1165	70	1250	96	19	83	198	36	13	17	66	2329	264	2593
4:15 PM	80	1029	15	1124	13	1175	78	1266	88	17	87	192	40	17	18	75	2390	267	2657
4:30 PM	75	1047	17	1139	15	1221	83	1319	104	17	81	202	40	17	19	76	2458	278	2736
4:45 PM	85	1022	20	1127	16	1196	92	1306	94	17	81	192	42	15	21	78	2433	270	2703
5:00 PM	95	980	19	1094	16	1188	78	1282	92	18	87	197	41	20	18	79	2376	276	2652

FIGURE 1 A-3

CONDITION DIAGRAM EXAMPLE

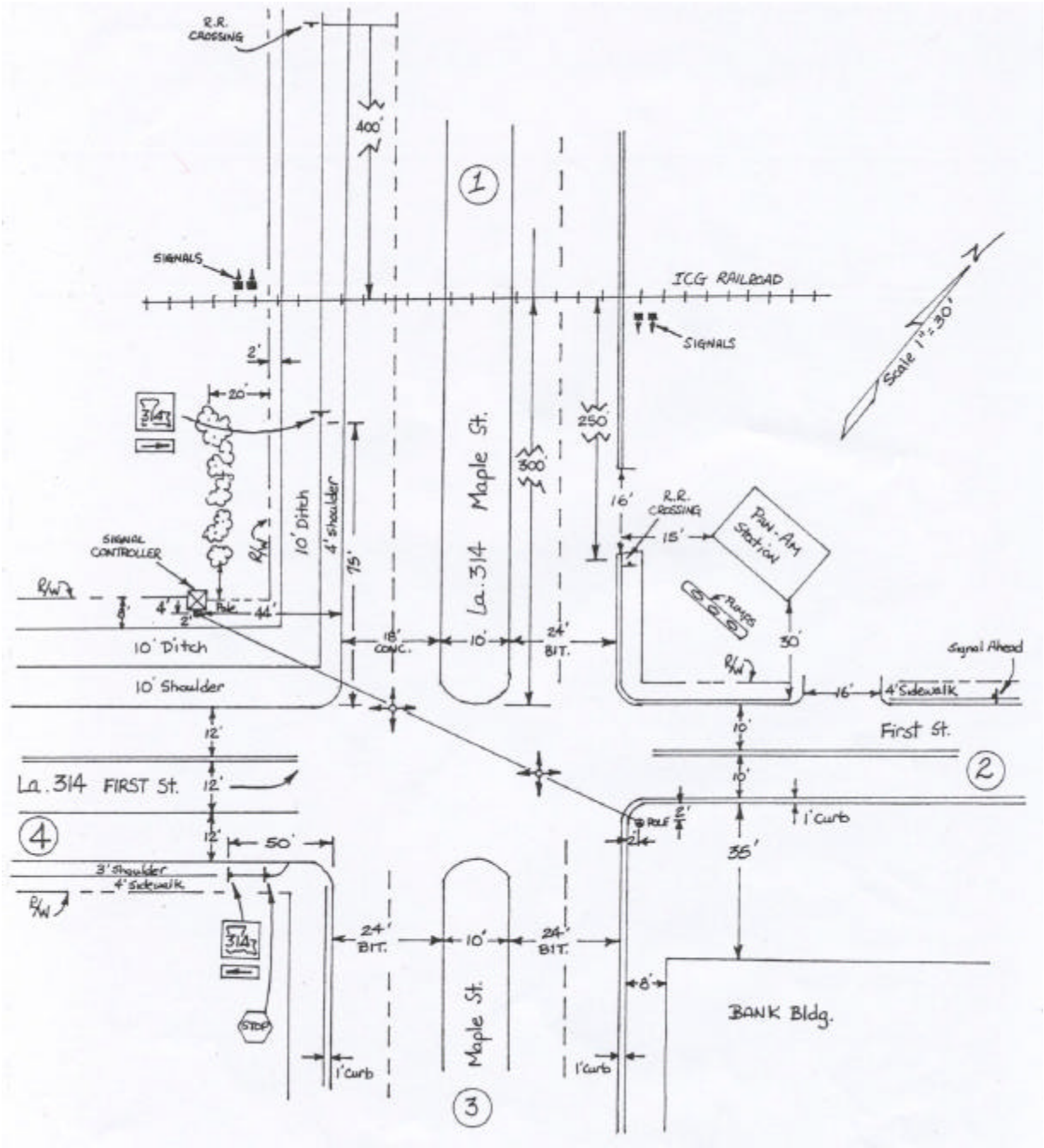

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FIGURE 1 A-4

INTERSECTION CONDITION REPORT

EXAMPLE

			Approach 1	Approach 2	Approach 3	Approach 4	Approach 5
Route Number			LA 314	—	—	LA 314	—
Street Name			MAPLE ST.	FIRST ST.	MAPLE ST.	FIRST ST.	—
Direction			NORTHWEST	NORTHEAST	SOUTHEAST	SOUTHWEST	—
Width			1@24' 10' 1@18' N.G.	20'	2@24' 10' N.G.	36'	—
Surface Type			BIT.-CONC.	BITUMINOUS	BITUMINOUS	BITUMINOUS	—
Speed Zone			35	25	35	—	—
Control Device			SIGNAL	SIGNAL	SIGNAL	SIGNAL*	—
Signal Timing or Flashing Beacon Indication			G A R 25 3 22	G A R 19 3 28	G A R 25 3 22	G A R 19 3 28	—
ESTIMATED Sight Distance							
Urban	Rural						
100'	300'	Right	50'	50'	100'	UNLIMITED	—
		Left	80'	100'	UNLIMITED	50'	—
50'	200'	Right	100'	100'	200'	UNLIMITED	—
		Left	160'	200'	UNLIMITED	100'	—
25'	100'	Right	200'	200'	400'	UNLIMITED	—
		Left	320'	400'	UNLIMITED	200'	—
Stop Line		Right	500'	UNLIMITED	UNLIMITED	UNLIMITED	—
		Left	UNLIMITED @ 13'	UNLIMITED @ 18'	UNLIMITED @ 13'	350' @ 18'	—
Identify Obstruction		Right	SHRUBBERY	GAS STATION	BANK BLDG.	NONE	—
		Left	GAS STATION	BANK BLDG	NONE	SHRUBBERY	—

Remarks:

APPROACH 4 IS LOCATED ON A STEEP HILL SLOPING DOWN TOWARDS THE SOUTHWEST.

* THERE IS ALSO A 30" STOP SIGN INSTALLED ON THIS APPROACH. SIZE IS 30" x 30" WITH 6" LETTERS.

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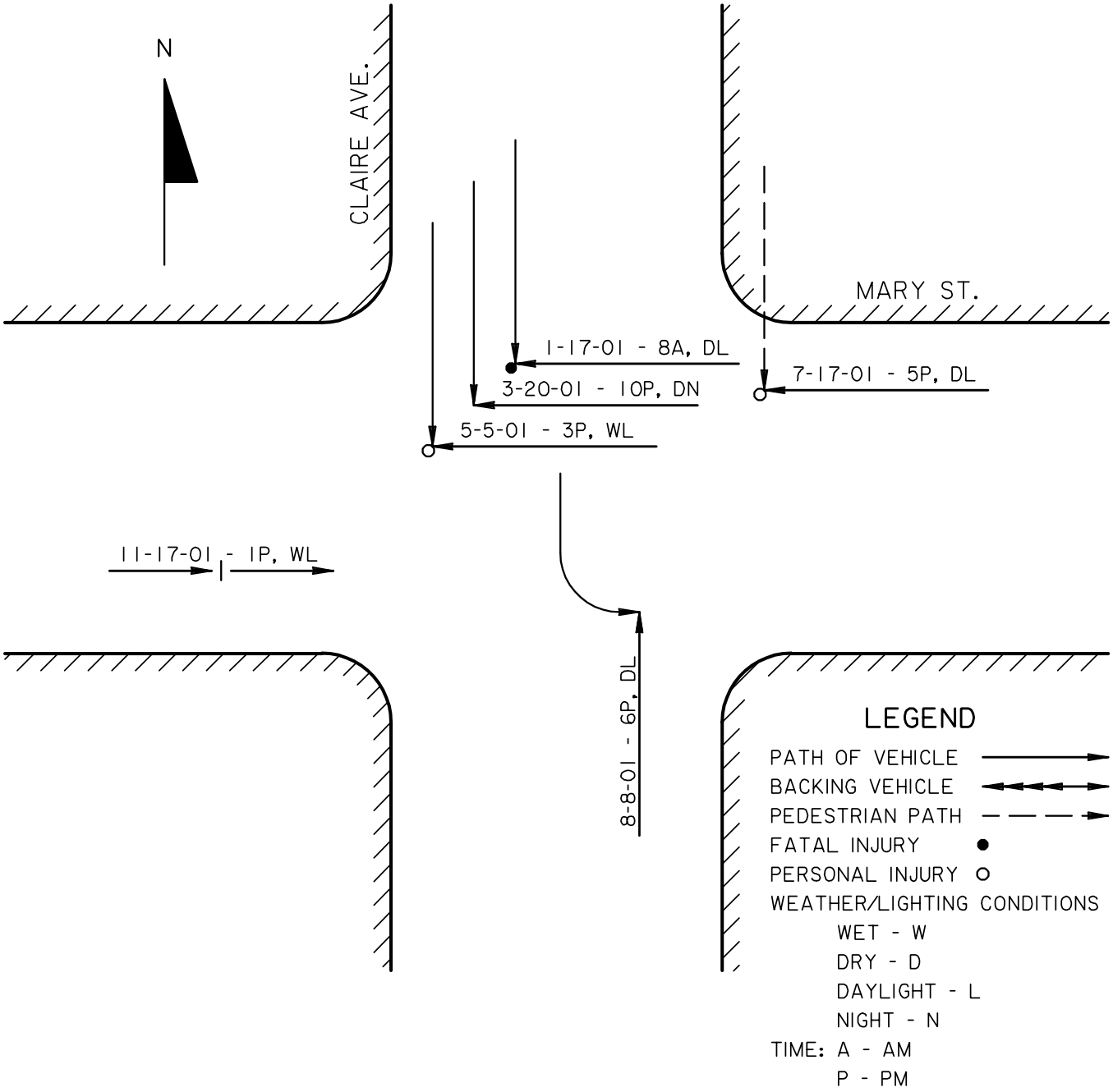

COLLISION DIAGRAM EXAMPLE

FIGURE 1A-5

B. TRAFFIC SIGNAL WARRANTS

1.0 National Signal Warrants - Traffic signal warrants define minimum threshold levels for a set of objective traffic and pedestrian operational conditions. If met, they become part of a total engineering study needed to justify signalization.[4]

The MUTCD 2001 identifies eight traffic signal warrants as follows:

- Warrant 1 – Eight Hours Vehicular Volume
- Warrant 2 – Four Hour Vehicular Volume
- Warrant 3 – Peak Hour
- Warrant 4 – Pedestrian Volume
- Warrant 5 – School Crossing
- Warrant 6 – Coordinated Signal System
- Warrant 7 – Crash Experience
- Warrant 8 – Roadway Network

2.0 Right Turn Volume Consideration[5] – Engineering judgment should be used as to whether all or part of right turning traffic volumes on the side street should be included when applying signal warrants. If right turns on an intersection approach are in a mixed lane containing through and right turning traffic, they probably should be included in the analysis. However, the percent of right turning traffic and its conflict with major street traffic must be considered. If the right turns are in their own lane and channelized away from the intersection, they should probably be excluded from the analysis. Engineering judgment should be applied in all cases.

3.0 Approach Lane Consideration[6] – Where there are separate turn lanes present on a single lane intersection approach, the question arises as to whether these lanes should be counted as an approach lane for warrant application. The following guidelines are provided to help make this determination:

3.1 Left Turn Lane – If a separate left turn lane is present on an approach, it may be counted as an approach lane if it carries approximately half the approach traffic volumes and it has sufficient storage capacity to store the left turning traffic. Engineering judgment should be used.

3.2 Right Turn Lane – If a separate right turn lane is present on an approach, it may be counted as an approach lane if it has a significant volume of traffic, has sufficient storage capacity to store right turning traffic and is not channelized away from the intersection. Engineering judgment should be used.

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[4] Traffic Engineering Handbook, 1999, p. 460
[5] Traffic Engineering Handbook, 1999, p.461
[6] MUTCD, Millennium Edition, 2001, Part 4, p. 4c-2

C. LADOTD SIGNAL JUSTIFICATION POLICY

1.0 Application of Signal Warrants – In order to fulfill the warrant portion of the engineering study for signalization, it shall be LADOTD policy that Warrant 1 (Eight Hour Vehicular Volume) or Warrant 7 (Crash Experience) must be met. Exceptions to this policy will be considered only when strong extenuating circumstances exist.

2.0 Access to Adjacent Signals – Before new signalization is justified, consideration is to be given as to whether the side street or driveway traffic being studied, has access to an existing traffic signal within ¼ mile on 2-lane or 4-lane undivided highways, or within ½ mile on divided highways. If such is the case, a new signal might be denied based on the access to an existing signal. Such traffic diversions may not be practical; however, if the diversion takes place through residential areas. Engineering judgment must be exercised.

3.0 Estimating Future Conditions – At a location where a signal study is requested, but the future development is not yet in place, the hourly generated traffic volumes must be estimated. The following procedures will be used:

3.1 Similar Developments - Where similar developments (in both type and size) exist in the same or similar size community, actual hourly generated traffic volumes can be measured and applied to the new site. Signal warrants can then be applied using these volumes.

3.2 Estimating Procedure - Where similar developments do not exist, peak hour trip generated volumes can be estimated using the Institute of Transportation Engineers Trip Generation Procedures. This peak hour volume can then be multiplied by 60% which will represent the lowest hourly volume of the eight highest hourly volumes for the driveway. This volume can then be applied in the warrants analysis to see if it meets Warrant 1. If it exceeds the minimum volumes required in Warrant 1 then the warrant is considered satisfied. The other warrants are not typically considered for new developments.

D. PROTECTED LEFT TURN SIGNAL WARRANTS

LADOTD EDSM, Volume VI, Chapter 3, Section 1, Directive 3 states: "Exclusive left turn signal phasing can significantly reduce left turn accidents and conflicts when properly used, although this reduction may be offset in part by an increase in rear-end accidents. Another point to be considered with the addition of left turn signal phasing is that left turn delay is reduced only during periods of heavy traffic flow. Therefore, great care must be exercised before left turn phasing is installed."

1.0 Locations Without Left Turn Lanes[7] – The following warrants should be used as guidelines when considering the addition of separate left turn phasing.

1.1 Capacity Warrant – Left turn phasing may be installed on an approach with a peak hour left turn volume of at least 50 vehicles and a capacity analysis showing that the overall operations are improved by the addition of the left turn phase.

1.2 Volume Warrant – Left turn phasing may be installed on an approach with a peak hour left turn volume of at least 50 vehicles, and a peak hour product of left turning vehicles and opposing traffic exceeding 100,000 for four lane streets or 50,000 for two lane streets. (Opposing traffic consists of opposing through and opposing right turning traffic.)

1.3 Delay Warrant – Left turn phasing may be installed on an approach with a peak hour left turn volume of at least 50 vehicles, an average delay of at least 35 seconds and a total approach left turn delay of at least 2.0 vehicles-hours during the peak hour.

1.4 Accident Warrants – Left turn phasing may be installed on an approach if the peak hour left turn volume is at least 50 vehicles and the following number of left turn accidents have occurred:

1.4.1 One approach – 4 left turn accidents in one year or 6 left turn accidents in two years.

1.4.2 Two opposing approaches – 6 left turn accidents in one year or 10 left turn accidents in two years.

1.5 Traffic Conflicts Warrant – Left turn conflicts are defined as follows:

- **Basic Conflict** – The left turn vehicle causes an opposing through vehicle to brake or weave.

[7] LA DOTD, EDSM, Vol. 6, Chapter 3, Section 1, Directive 3, p. 2-3

- **Secondary Conflict** – The left turn vehicle causes a second through vehicle (following the first through vehicle) to also brake.

- **Red Conflict** – A left turn vehicle enters the intersection on red to turn left.

Left turn phasing may be installed on an approach with a peak hour left turn volume of at least 50 vehicles and when one of the following left turn conflict conditions occur during the peak hour:

1.5.1 Basic Conflict – Ten (10) or more basic conflicts occur for an approach.

1.5.2 Total Conflicts – A combination of fourteen (14) or more basic, secondary, or red conflicts occur for an approach.

2.0 Locations With Left Turn Lanes[8] – LADOTD EDSM, Volume VI, Chapter 3, Section 1, Directive 3 states: "Where separate left turn lanes are provided, a separate left turn phase should normally be included unless the addition of such a phase causes capacity problems. Each location shall be analyzed for capacity and a decision shall be made by the traffic engineer based on these results."

[8] LA DOTD, EDSM, Vol. 6, Chapter 3, Section 1, Directive 3, p. 2-3

E. FLASHING BEACON WARRANTS

A flashing beacon is composed of one or more traffic signal sections operating in a flashing mode.

1.0 Intersection Control Beacons – Intersection control beacons consist of two signal faces per intersection approach, each with one signal section having a 12 inch lenses. Normally, flashing yellow signal indications will be displayed to the major street and flashing red signal indications to the minor street. At the intersection of two streets of equal importance, flashing red signal indications may be displayed to both streets. Intersection control beacons are intended to be used as a supplement to and not a replacement for other traffic control devices at the intersection. An intersection beacon may be installed when conditions do not justify the installation of a conventional traffic signal, and there is the occurrence of three (3) or more accidents at the intersection in a twelve (12) month period of the type susceptible to correction by emphasizing the need to stop or proceed with caution.[9]

2.0 Signal Ahead Beacons – Signal ahead beacons consist of one or more signal sections, each having flashing yellow signal indications and are used in conjunction with the standard "Signal Ahead" Warning Sign (W3-3). They may be justified under either of the following conditions:

2.1 First Signal – On high speed (45 mph or greater) highways approaching the first signalized intersection of a community or town, and the intersection experiences three (3) or more accidents in a 12 month period of the type susceptible to correction by advance notice to stop.

2.2 Sight Distance – On high speed (45 mph or greater) approaches to a traffic signal whose signal visibility is less than that called for in Part 4 of the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices, MUTCD 2001, Table 4D-1 (See Table 2I-1 in this manual).

3.0 Warning Beacons – Warning beacons consist of one or more signal sections, each having flashing yellow signal indications, and may be justified by either of the following:

3.1 Obstruction Identification – Warning beacons are used to help identify obstructions in or immediately adjacent to the roadway where accident experience indicates that additional emphasis is needed to supplement existing signing and markings. Such obstructions could include guardrail at "T" intersections, bridge supports in or near the roadway, etc.

[9] LA DOTD, EDSM, Vol. 6, Chapter 3, Section 1, Directive 2, p. 1

3.2 Supplement To Advance Warning Signs – A flashing beacon may be used to supplement advance warning signs for a variety of conditions where accident experience or field observation reveals that the warning signs by themselves are not effective. Such conditions could include sharp curves, obscured stop conditions, obscured railroad crossings, truck crossings, plant entrances, etc.

4.0 Stop Sign Beacon – Stop sign beacons consist of one or more signal sections having flashing red 12" signal indications and are mounted above a Stop sign. Such beacons may be justified where:

4.1 Violations – A significant number of vehicles violate the stop condition.

4.2 Accidents – There are three (3) or more accidents in a 12 month period of the type susceptible to correction by emphasizing the need to stop.

5.0 School Zone Beacon – A school zone flashing beacon consists of two signal sections with a flashing circular yellow signal indication in each section and is used in conjunction with the standard School Zone Sign (S5-1). It may be installed and maintained by a school board or local government at an established school zone under a Traffic Control Device Permit. Typical installation details are shown in Figure 1E-1.

6.0 Speed Limit Sign Beacon – A speed limit sign beacon consists of one or more signal sections with flashing circular yellow signal indication in each section. It may be installed with a fixed or variable Speed Limit sign (R2-1) where studies show a need to emphasis that a speed limit is in effect.

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CHAPTER 2

TRAFFIC SIGNAL DESIGN

A traffic signal should be designed for both safe and efficient traffic operations. To accomplish this, the design should incorporate the fewest number of signal phases and the shortest cycle lengths that are adequate to move traffic without conflicts.

As previously mentioned, this manual is to be used as a supplement to the Manual On Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD). The following design criteria sets forth LADOTD's application of the signal design standards in the MUTCD.

A. SELECTION OF TRAFFIC SIGNAL OPERATION

The following guidelines are given to aid in the selection of the proper type of signal operations for a given set of conditions at an intersection.

1.0 Pretimed (Fixed Time) Operation –that mode of operation in which a signal operates in a non-actuated mode (no vehicle detectors) and in which both the timing and phasing do not vary from cycle to cycle. This type of operation may be justified under the following conditions[1]:

1.1 Uniform Traffic Demand -Where traffic variations and timing requirements are predictable or do not vary significantly.

1.2 Signal Coordination -Where signal coordination is highly desirable.

1.3 Signal Systems -At intersections where two coordinated signal systems cross.

1.4 Maintenance - Where ease of maintenance is a concern (no vehicle detectors to maintain).

2.0 Semi-Actuated Operation – that mode of operation in which a signal operates with at least one, but not all signal phases actuated. When this type of operation is chosen, it is usually the main street signal phase that is non-actuated. The timing on the actuated phases can vary or be entirely skipped from cycle to cycle as traffic demands. Semi- actuated operations may be justified under the following conditions:

2.1 Side Street Volumes - Locations where side street traffic volumes are sporadic[2].

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[1] Traffic Control Devices Handbook, 1983, p. 4-24, 4-25
[2] Traffic Control Devices Handbook, 1983, p. 4-26

2.2 Limited Signal Need - Locations where a signal is needed for only brief periods of the day[3].

2.3 24 Hour Signal Coordination - In signal systems that always operate in a coordinated mode, where the main street through traffic phase operates without vehicle detection.

3.0 Fully Actuated Operation – that mode of operation in which a signal operates with vehicle detectors for all signal phases. Since the signal operation is based on traffic demand, both the timing and phasing can vary from cycle to cycle. This type of operation may be justified under the following conditions:

3.1 Isolated Intersections - At isolated intersections where traffic fluctuations cannot be anticipated. This mode of operation provides maximum flexibility by allowing the signal to skip those phases without traffic present[4].

3.2 Efficiency - Locations where traffic operations require maximum efficiency to adequately accommodate existing traffic volumes at an acceptable level of service. This mode of operation allows the signal to tailor its timing to each individual signal phase according to its actual traffic demand on a cycle by cycle basis[5].

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[3] Traffic Control Devices Handbook, 1983, p. 4-26
[4] Traffic Engineering Handbook, 1999, p. 463
[5] Traffic Engineering Handbook, 1999, p. 463

B. SIGNAL PHASING

1.0 General

As a general rule, the number of traffic signal phases should be held to a minimum. When more than three phases are added to the operation of a signal (particularly pretimed signals), the delay and cycle length usually increase as a result of the increase in start up delays and the increase in signal clearance intervals per signal cycle. When this occurs, the overall intersection efficiency decreases, but the use of fully actuated controllers tends to minimize these negative effects[6].

The number of signal phases used in a traffic signal design is basically a left turn protection issue, namely which left turn movements justify protection according to the conditions previously mentioned in Chapter 1, Section D of this manual[7]. In making these decisions the goal should be to delay the heavier through traffic movements as little as possible while accommodating left turn movements adequately and safely.

2.0 Selection of Left Turn Phasing

Once the determination is made to protect one or more left turn movements, the type of left turn signal phasing needs to be determined. The following guidelines can be used in making the determination.

2.1 Type of Left Turn Protection

There are two basic types of left turn protection; namely protected only left turns and protected/permitted left turns. The guidelines for choosing each option are defined below.

2.1.1 Protected Only Left Turns

This type of left turn operation allows left turns to be made only on a left turn green arrow display. It should be considered when any of the following conditions exist:

- **Limited left turn sight distance –** the view of opposing through and opposing right turn traffic is restricted. (See Figure 2B-1)
- **Excessive street width –** left turning traffic must cross three or more lanes and the speed of the opposing traffic is 45 MPH or greater[8].

[6] Kell and Fullerton, ITE Manual of Traffic Signal Design, 1991, p. 29
[7] Kell and Fullerton, ITE Manual of Traffic Signal Design, 1991, p. 29
[8] Traffic Engineering Handbook, 1999, p. 477

- **Inadequate Geometry –** At intersections where there is inadequate room for opposing left turn movements on the same street to move simultaneously without conflicting or crossing. Either Lead/Lag or split phasing must be used.

- **Left turn accidents –** where the left turn signal phase is justified by the left turn accident warrant described in Chapter 1, section D of this manual.

- **Dual left turns –** on approaches where two side by side left turn lanes exist[9].

2.1.2 Protected/Permitted Left Turns

This type of operation allows left turns to be made both on the left turn green arrow (when they are protected) and on the circular green signal indication (when they are permitted, but must yield to opposing traffic). It should be considered when any of the following conditions exist:

- **Left Turn Volumes –** where the left turn signal is justified by the Volume warrant described in Chapter 1, Section D of this manual.

- **Capacity –** where intersection capacity is limited and maximum efficiency of the traffic operations in needed.

- **Left Turn Storage –** where left turn lanes are not present or left turn lanes are of inadequate length to store the actual left turn traffic volumes.

- **Left Turn Accidents –** where the left turn signal phase is <u>not</u> justified by the left turn accident warrant described in Chapter 1, Section D of this manual.

2.2 Sequence of Left Turn Protection

Once the type of left turn protection is determined, it must then be decided where to sequence the left turn phase in the signal cycle. Additionally, if there is more than one left turn phase to be added, it must

[9] <u>Traffic Engineering Handbook,</u> 1999, p. 477

also be decided how they will sequence in relation to one another. The following guidelines are provided for making these decisions:

2.2.1 Leading Left Turn

This defines a left turn signal phase that proceeds the through green signal phase on a particular street (see Figure 2B-2). It should be used in the following circumstances:

- **Lack of left turn lanes –** a leading left turn signal phase increases the approach capacity on one and two lane approaches without left turn lanes. This assures that all traffic moves on the approach at the beginning of the green signal phase[10].

- **Signal Coordination –** where a time-space diagram indicates that a leading left turn signal phase will increase the arterial green band width and improve the signal progression.

- **Minimizing Conflicts –** to minimize conflicts between left turn and opposing through vehicles by clearing the left turns through the intersection first[11].

- **Maximize Efficiency –** left turning motorists tend to react quicker to a leading left turn than to a lagging left turn[12].

**** Caution**

A "yellow trap" can occur when a fully actuated signal controller with a protected/permitted leading left turn, in the absence of side street traffic, cycles back and forth between through traffic and its leading left turn[13].

A "yellow trap" occurs when a driver waiting to turn left on the permitted mode sees all of his signal indications turn yellow and wrongly assumes that the opposing traffic is also receiving yellow indications (the opposing direction is about to receive a protected left turn in combination with its

[10] Traffic Control Devices Handbook, 1983, p. 4-16, 4-17
[11] Traffic Control Devices Handbook, 1983, p. 4-16, 4-17
[12] Traffic Control Devices Handbook, 1983, p. 4-16, 4-17
[13] Traffic Engineering Handbook, 1999, p. 479

through movement). The driver now believes that his left turn can be completed on yellow when in fact the opposing through traffic still has a green indication. If the left turn is made under these conditions an accident could occur. In this case, the "yellow trap" can be eliminated by using protected only left turns, by servicing the side street prior to returning to the left turn phase, "or by phase omitting the protected only left turn phase when the opposing through green is displayed"[14].

2.2.2 Lagging Left Turn

This defines a left turn signal phase that comes at the end of the through green signal phase (see Figure 2B-3). It may be used in the following circumstances:

- **Minimize Through Delay –** where left turn lanes exist, it minimizes the use and length of the protected left turn phase by allowing left turns to be made during the preceding through green phase when adequate gaps occur in opposing traffic[15].

- **Signal Coordination –** where a time-space diagram indicates that a lagging left turn signal phase will increase the arterial green band width and improve signal progression.

**** Caution**

Caution should be exercised when using lagging left turns in a protected/permitted mode because of the possibility of a "yellow trap". A "yellow trap" can occur when a fully actuated signal controller with a protected/permitted lagging left turn, in the absence of side street traffic, cycles back and forth between through traffic and it's lagging left turn. The "Yellow Trap" can be avoided by using the protected only mode when using lag left turns.

2.2.3 Lead/Lag Left Turns

This is the combination where both a leading and lagging left turn signal phase is provided on the same street. Figure 2B-4 shows this combination operating in a protected/per-

[14] Traffic Engineering Handbook, 1999, p. 479, © 1991 Institute of Transportation Engineers. Used by Permission.
[15] Traffic Control Devices Handbook, 1983, p. 4-17

mitted mode as previously described. It may be used in the following circumstances:

- **Lack of left turn lanes –** on one and two lane approaches that lack left turn lanes.

- **Signal coordination –** where a time-space diagram indicates that a lead/lag left turn combination in the proper direction will increase the arterial green band width and improve signal progression.

- **Unequal left turn volumes –** To allow for the separate timing of each left turn phase when using a pre-timed controller.

- **Inadequate Intersection Geometry –** At intersections where there is inadequate room for opposing left turn movements on the same street to move simultaneously with out conflicting or crossing. Protected only left turns must be used.

**** Caution**

Caution should be exercised when combining lead/lag left turns with a protected/permitted mode, however, because of the possibility of a "yellow trap" as previously discussed in section 2.2.1. In the case of lead/lag left turns the "yellow trap" can be avoided by using protected only left turn phases.

2.2.4 Simultaneous Left Turns

This defines the situation where the two opposing left turn movements on the same street are programmed to occur simultaneously (see Figure 2B-5). These left turns can either lead or lag the through phase. It may be used in the following circumstances:

- **Adequate intersection geometry –** the intersection geometry is adequate to allow the simultaneous movement of opposing left turns on the same street without their turning paths conflicting.

- **Maximum efficiency needed –** at isolated locations where fully actuated equipment is used and left turn demands are both variable and unequal. This option

allows for maximum left turn flexibility by terminating a left turn when its demand is satisfied and releasing the conflicting through movement.

- **Equal left turn volumes –** when using pretimed equipment with opposing left turn volumes approximately equal.

2.2.5 Split Phase

This defines the situation when each approach on the same street is serviced separately with green signal indications (see Figure 2B-6). It may be used in the following circumstances:

- **Lack of turn lanes –** on an approach that lacks left turn lanes and whose left turn and through volumes are approximately equal. This assures that all traffic moves on an approach at the beginning of the green signal phase[16].

- **Inadequate intersection geometry –** at intersections where there is inadequate room for opposing left turn movements on the same street to move simultaneously without conflicting or crossing.

- **Multiple left turn lanes –** on opposing approaches where two or more left turn lanes exist[17].

3.0 LA DOTD Phase Assignments

To standardize the signal phase assignments on plans and Traffic Signal Inventory (TSI) forms the following signal phase assignments shall be used.

3.1 Four way Intersections (8 – Phase Controllers)

3.1.1 Main St. runs North – South (see Figure 2B-7)

Phase 1	South approach left turn traffic
Phase 2	North approach through traffic
Phase 3	West approach left turn traffic
Phase 4	East approach through traffic
Phase 5	North approach left turn traffic

[16] Traffic Engineering Handbook, 1999, p. 480
[17] Traffic Engineering Handbook, 1999, p. 480

Phase 6	South approach through traffic
Phase 7	East approach left turn traffic
Phase 8	West approach through traffic

3.1.2 Main St. runs East – West (see Figure 2B-8)

Phase 1	East approach left turn traffic
Phase 2	West approach through traffic
Phase 3	South approach left turn traffic
Phase 4	North approach through traffic
Phase 5	West approach left turn traffic
Phase 6	East approach through traffic
Phase 7	North approach left turn traffic
Phase 8	South approach through traffic

3.2 "T" Intersections - 8 Phase controllers will be used at these type intersections to reduce the number of different types of controllers in the LA DOTD Inventory and to maximize controller interchangeability. Phases 5 through 8 will be used as overlaps (OL) as needed.

3.2.1 Main St. runs North-South, minor street intersects from the East (See Figure 2B-9)

Phase 1 –North approach left turn traffic
Phase 2 – South approach through traffic
Phase 4 – East approach traffic
Phase OLB (6) – North approach through traffic

3.2.2 Main St. runs North – South, minor street intersects from the West (See Figure 2B-10)

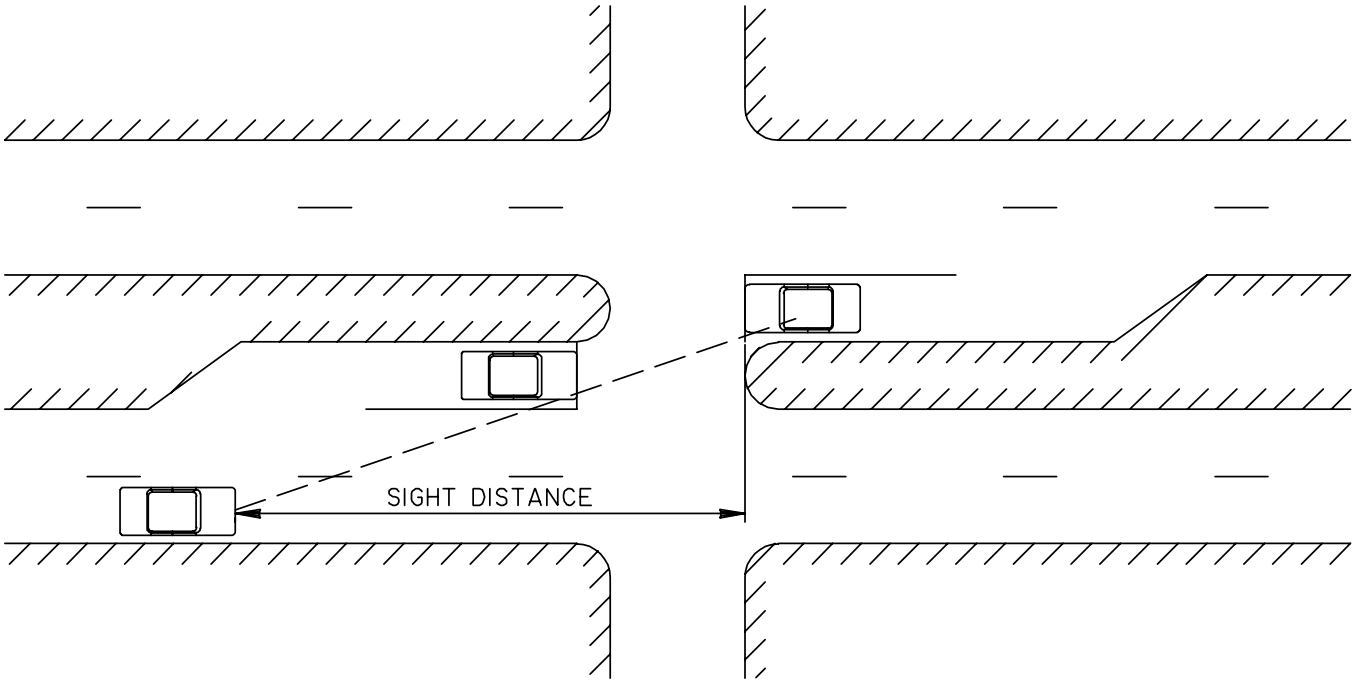
Phase 1 – South approach left turn traffic
Phase 2 – North approach through traffic
Phase 4 – West approach traffic
Phase OLB(6) – South approach through traffic

3.2.3 Main St. runs East – West, minor street intersects from the South (See Figure 2B-11)

Phase 1 – East approach left turn traffic
Phase 2 – West approach through traffic
Phase 4 – South approach traffic
Phase OLB(6) – East approach through traffic

3.2.4 Main St. runs East – West, minor street intersects from the North (See Figure 2B-12)

Ø1 – West approach left turn traffic
Ø2 – East approach through traffic
Phase 4 – North approach traffic
OLB (6) – West approach through traffic



LEFT TURN SIGHT DISTANCE
(URBAN AND SUBURBAN INTERSECTIONS)

OPERATING SPEED (MPH)	SAFE SIGHT DISTANCE (FT.)		
	2-LANE	4-LANE	6-LANE
20	240	260	280
30	360	390	420
40	470	520	560
50	590	650	700
60	710	780	840

(SOURCE: NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY TRAFFIC INSTITUTE, TRAFFIC SIGNAL WORKSHOP NOTEBOOK, 1994, SECTION 3, P4, FIGURE4)

FIGURE 2B-1

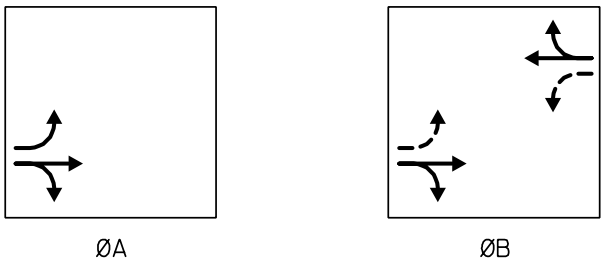
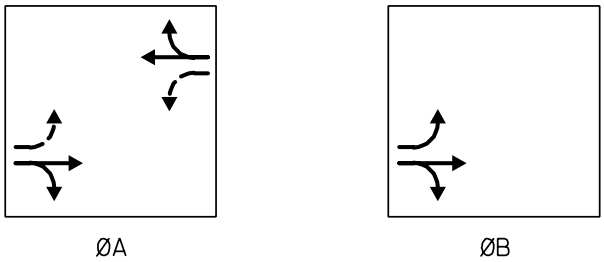


FIGURE 2B-2

LEADING LEFT TURN
W/PROTECTED-PERMITTED OPERATION



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LAGGING LEFT TURN
W/PROTECTED-PERMITTED OPERATION

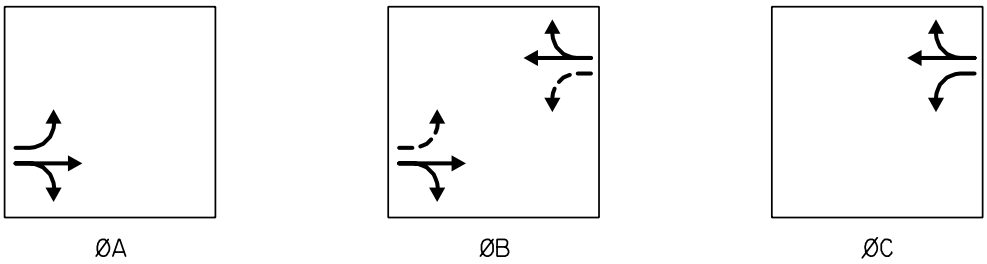


FIGURE 2B-4

LEAD-LAG LEFT TURNS
W/PROTECTED-PERMITTED OPERATION

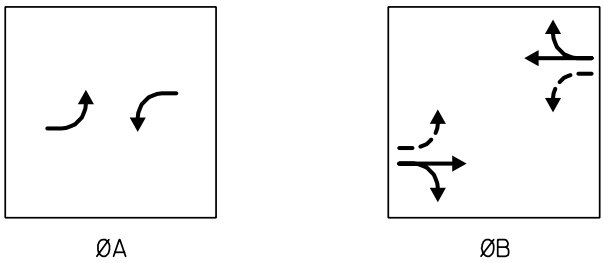


FIGURE 2B-5

SIMULTANEOUS LEADING LEFT TURNS
W/PROTECTED-PERMITTED OPERATION

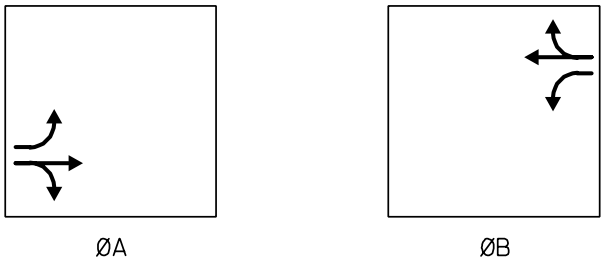
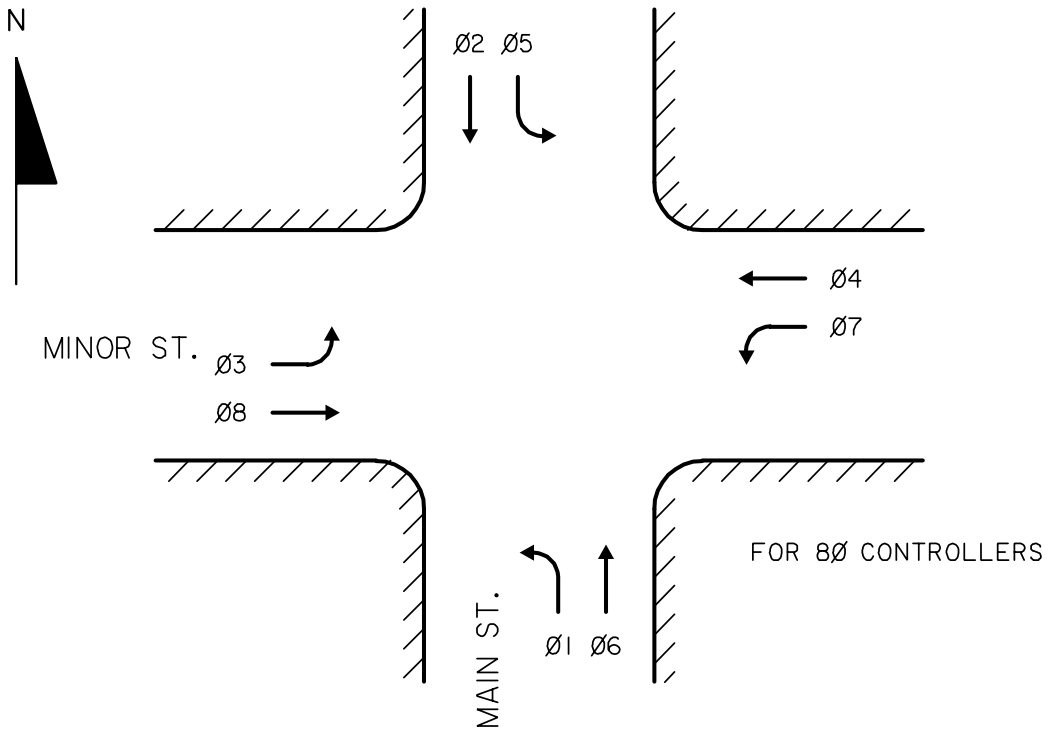


FIGURE 2B-6

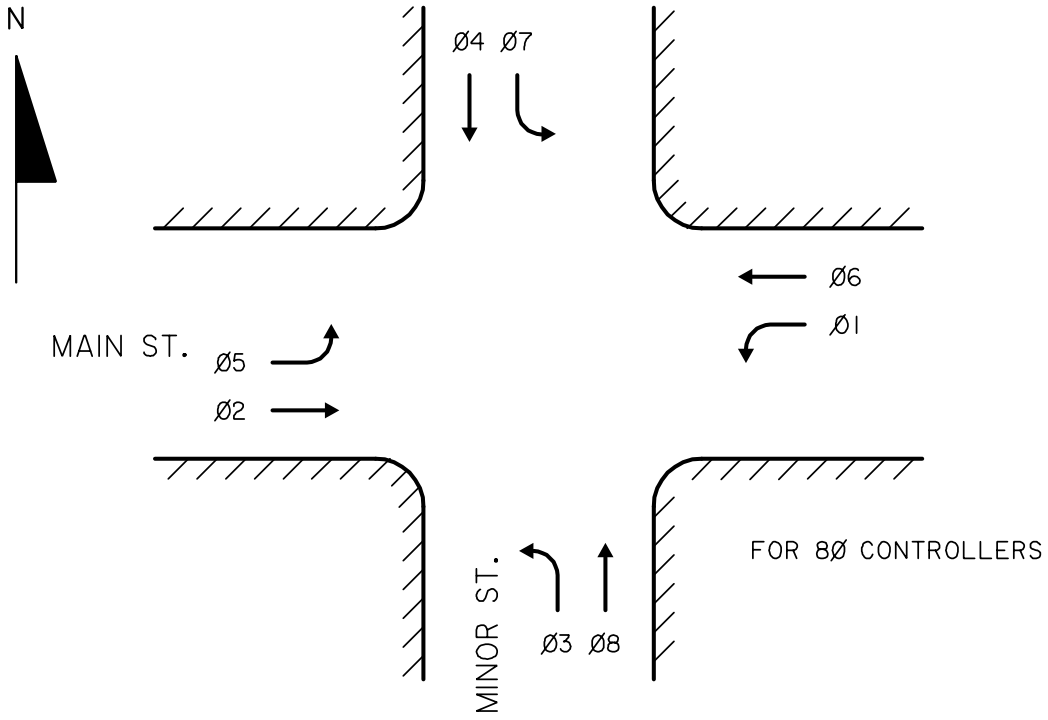
SPLIT PHASE LEFT TURNS

LA. DOTD PHASE ASSIGNMENTS
4-WAY INTERSECTIONS



N-S MAIN ST.

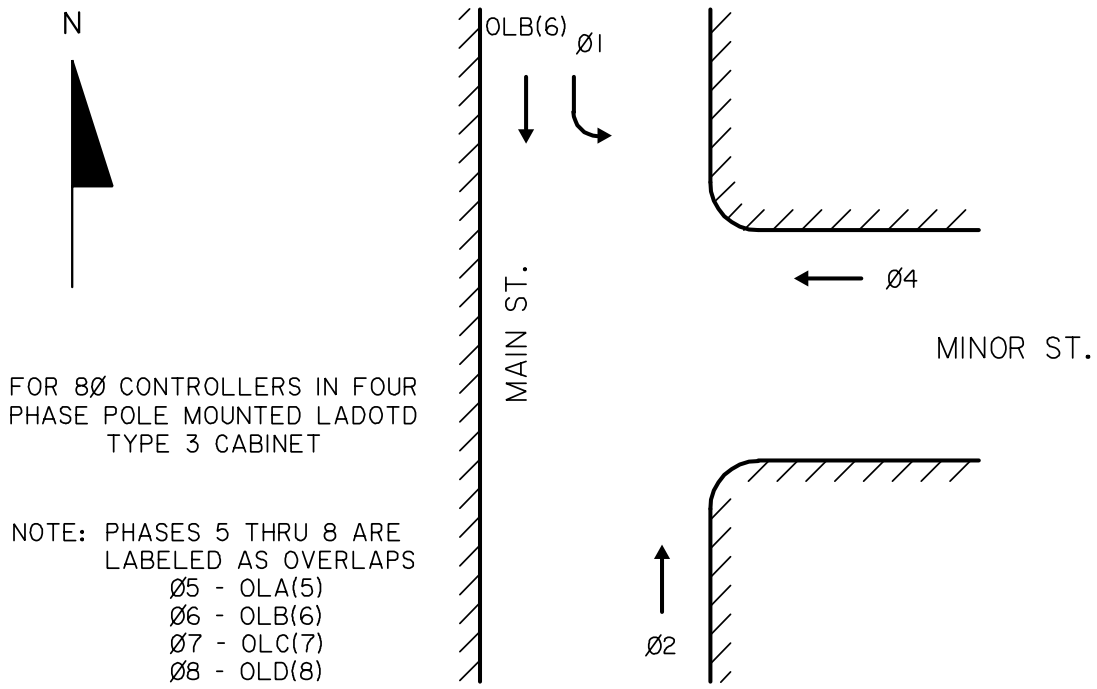
FIGURE 2B-7



E-W MAIN ST.

FIGURE 2B-8

LA. DOTD PHASE ASSIGNMENTS
T - INTERSECTIONS

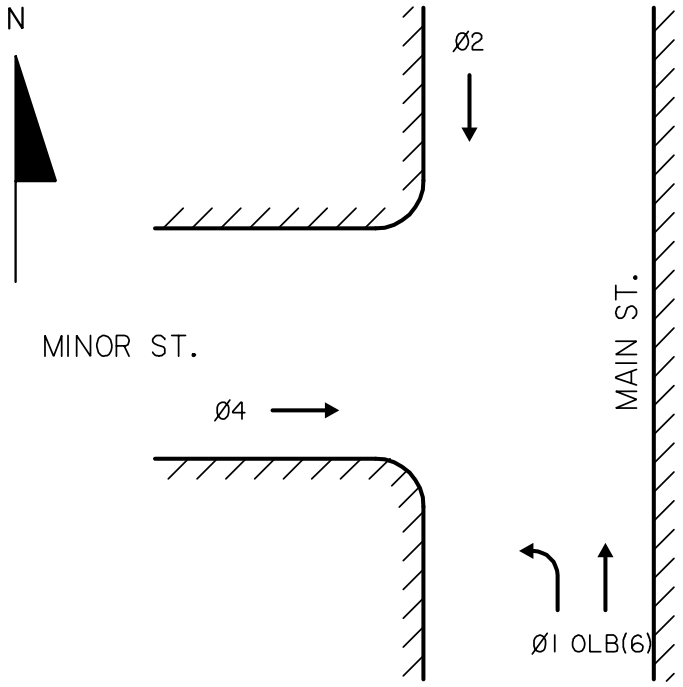


FOR 8Ø CONTROLLERS IN FOUR PHASE POLE MOUNTED LADOTD TYPE 3 CABINET

NOTE: PHASES 5 THRU 8 ARE LABELED AS OVERLAPS
Ø5 - OLA(5)
Ø6 - OLB(6)
Ø7 - OLC(7)
Ø8 - OLD(8)

N-S MAIN ST. EAST APPROACH MINER ST.

FIGURE 2B-9



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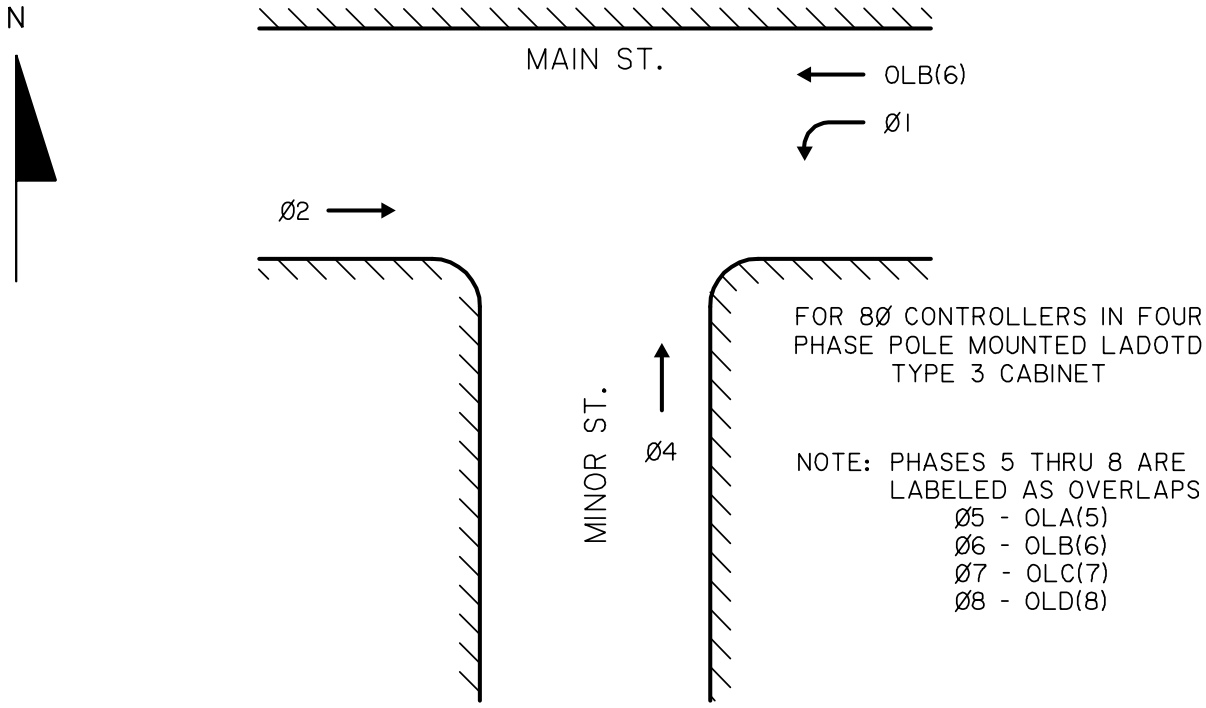
NOTE: PHASES 5 THRU 8 ARE LABELED AS OVERLAPS
Ø5 - OLA(5)
Ø6 - OLB(6)
Ø7 - OLC(7)
Ø8 - OLD(8)

N-S MAIN ST. WEST APPROACH MINER ST.

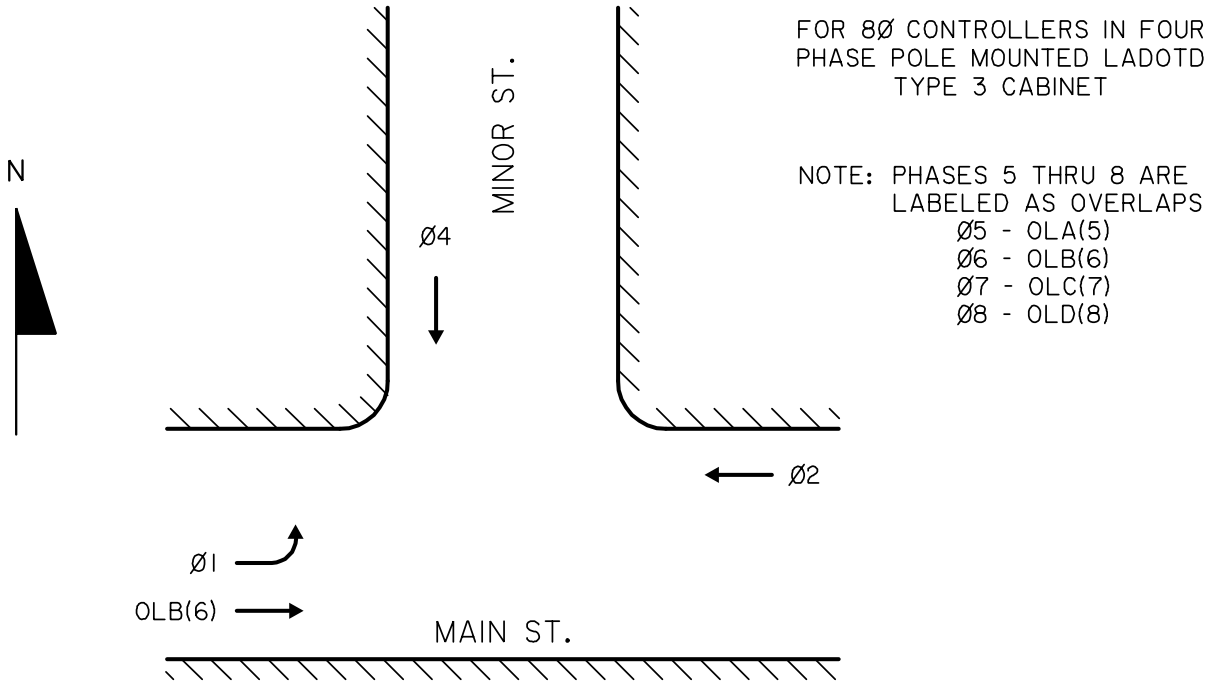
FIGURE 2B-10

LA. DOTD PHASE ASSIGNMENTS
T - INTERSECTIONS



E-W MAIN ST. SOUTH APPROACH MINOR ST.

FIGURE 2B-11



E-W MAIN ST. NORTH APPROACH MINOR ST.

FIGURE 2B-12

C. VEHICLE DETECTORS

1.0 General

Vehicle detectors are used to detect the presence or passage of a vehicle on a portion of a roadway. They are an integral part of any traffic actuated signal design as their input determines the variable timing and phasing of the signal. Additionally, the proper placement of these detectors contributes significantly to the overall efficiency of the traffic operations at the intersection.

The type of detector used depends upon the type of detector information needed by the controller to operate efficiently and its location with respect to the roadway. Where stop line detectors are used to detect the presence of a vehicle, they are located where the vehicle is anticipated to stop, and operate in the presence (non-locking memory) mode of detection. Where advance detectors are used to detect the passage of a vehicle some distance back from the stop line, they are located in the path of the vehicle and operate in the presence (locking memory) mode of detection to retain the vehicle call.

LA DOTD basically uses three types of detectors namely, the inductive loop, the microloop and the microwave detectors. The inductive loop is by far the most common type of detector used not only by LA DOTD, but nationwide[18].

2.0 Inductive Loop – The inductive loop detects vehicles by sensing a change of inductance in the loop caused by the passage or presence of a vehicle over the detector. This type of detector is made up of three components namely, a loop of wire sawcut into the roadway surface, a lead-in (home run) cable and an amplifier unit in the controller cabinet. It is capable of both passage and presence detection[19].

2.1 Size

The standard size loop detector used by LA DOTD is 6’ x 6’ regardless of lane widths. (See Figure 2C-1). At large radius intersections wider detectors may be used.

The width of the loop detector in a curbside lane can increase significantly when it is located 10ft. back from a cross street and the intersection has large curb radii.

2.2 Placement/Pattern - A detector’s function determines its pattern and placement.

2.2.1 Stop Line Detectors – Stop line detectors, as the name implies, are located at or near the stop line on an intersection approach, to

[18] Traffic Engineering Handbook, 1999, p. 512
[19] ITE Traffic Detector Handbook, p. 3

detect the presence of stopped vehicles and operate in the "presence (non-locking memory)" mode of detection. Accordingly, Stop Line detection is used in through lanes on minor approaches and in left turn lanes on both major and minor approaches (See Figures 2C-2 and 2C-3). When so used they can screen out right turns made on red, or left turns made on left turn permitted signal phases thus preventing false calls. Consideration should also be given to installing stop line detectors in left turn lanes on major approaches that are not protected with a left turn arrow. Such detectors can hold the green phase while the left turn vehicle waits for possible gaps in opposing traffic.

2.2.2 Advance Detectors – Advance detectors are used only with volume density controllers and are located some distance in advance of the approach stop line. They are located in the through lanes of the major street. These detectors operate in a presence (locking memory) mode and detect the passage of a vehicle. Advance detectors can provide the controller with advance information on vehicles approaching the intersection and, in the case of a volume density controller, can count the number of vehicles on the approach that are waiting with a red signal indication. The location of these detectors is based on the safe stopping distance of approaching vehicles which varies according to the approach speed (See Figure 2C-4)[20].

2.3 Detector Wiring – The wiring for each detector or detector pattern in a lane shall consist of a continuous length of #16 AWG (containing 19 strands of #29 AWG copper wire) IMSA 51-7 wire run from the junction box, through the detector(s) (with three turns in each detector) and back to the junction box. When detectors in adjacent lanes operate the same signal phase, their wiring shall be spliced in series in the junction box. A 1-2 conductor (loop lead-in/#16 AWG) "home run" cable is then run for this signal phase from the junction box to the signal controller cabinet. (See Figure 2C-5).

2.4 Detector Card/Channel Assignments – The following detector card/channel phase assignments shall be used when using 4 – channel detector cards.

Phase	Detector	Card/Channel
1	1	1/1
2	2	1/2
3	3	1/3
4	4	1/4
5	5	2/1

[20] Kell and Fullerton, ITE Manual of Traffic Signal Design, 1991, p. 89

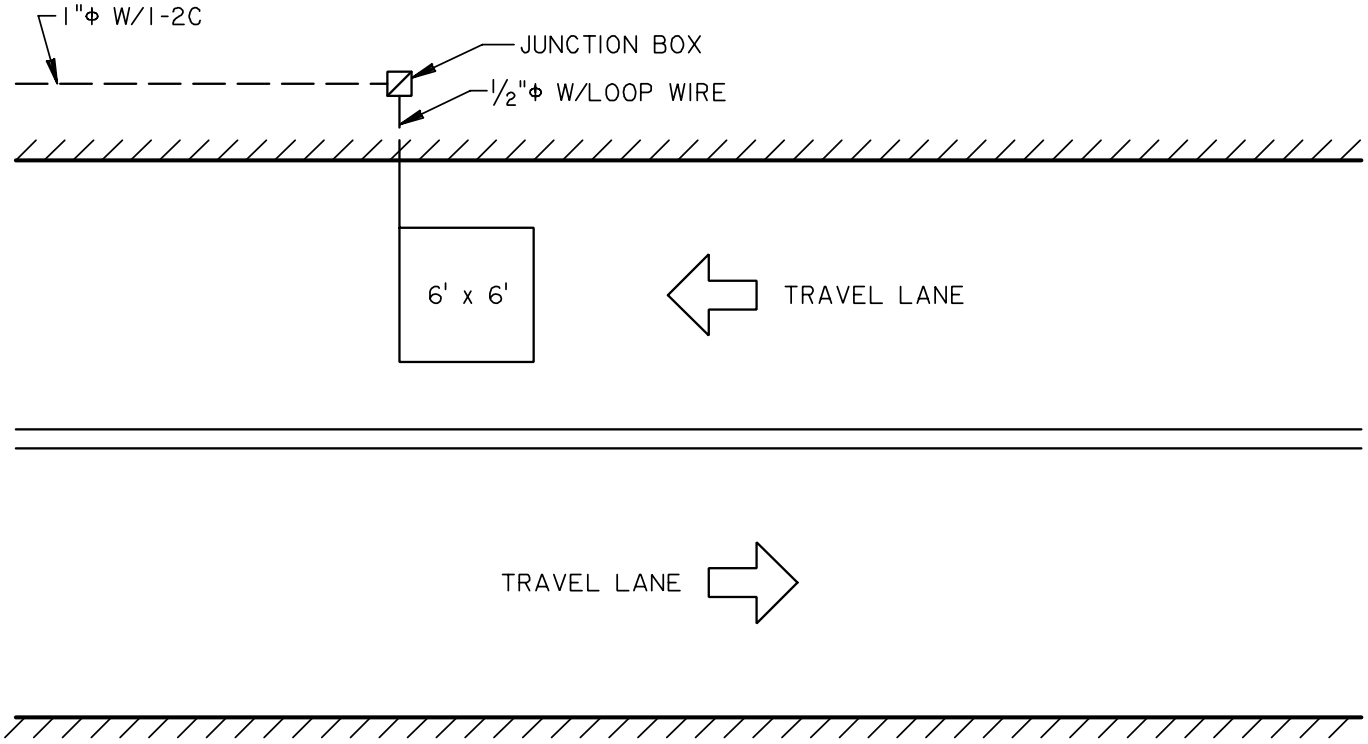
6	6	2/2
7	7	2/3
8	8	2/4
Other Function	S-1	3/1
Other Function	S-2	3/2
Other Function	S-3	3/3
Other Function	S-4	3/4
Other Function	S-5	4/1
Other Function	S-6	4/2
Other Function	S-7	4/3
Other Function	S-8	4/4

3.0 Microloop – A microloop is a transducer that converts changes in the vertical component of the earth's magnetic field to changes in inductance. Vehicles passing over the detector focus the earth's magnetic field which causes a change in inductance and thus they are detected. This type of detector is made up of a probe in or under the roadway surface, a lead in (home run) cable and or amplifier unit in controller cabinet[21]. It is most applicable when attached under bridge decks where saw cutting the roadway surface is discouraged. Since this detector can only detect the passage of a vehicle it is only used as an advance detector. Normally two detectors are needed per lane to assure the detection of motorcycles. As shown in Figure 2C-6, these two detectors are placed four (4') apart and centered in the approach lane. Figure 2C-4 can be used to determine the probe's placement back from the approach stop line.

4.0 Microwave – Microwave detectors operate on the same principle as radar detectors in that they measure the frequency difference between the sent and received signal caused by the arrival or passage of a vehicle[22]. This type of detector is made up of a pole or mast arm mounted radar unit, a "home run" cable, a controller cabinet mounted RS – 232 connector and a 12 volt power supply. Depending upon type, location and orientation some microloops can detect in both the passage and presence of a vehicle. Accordingly, it can be used in basically the same way as the inductive loops. (See Figure 2C-7 & 2C-8) The microwave detector is also a quick and easy substitute for a defective inductive loop for a major traffic movement.

[21] Traffic Engineering Handbook, 1999, p. 512
[22] Traffic Engineering Handbook, 1999, p. 513

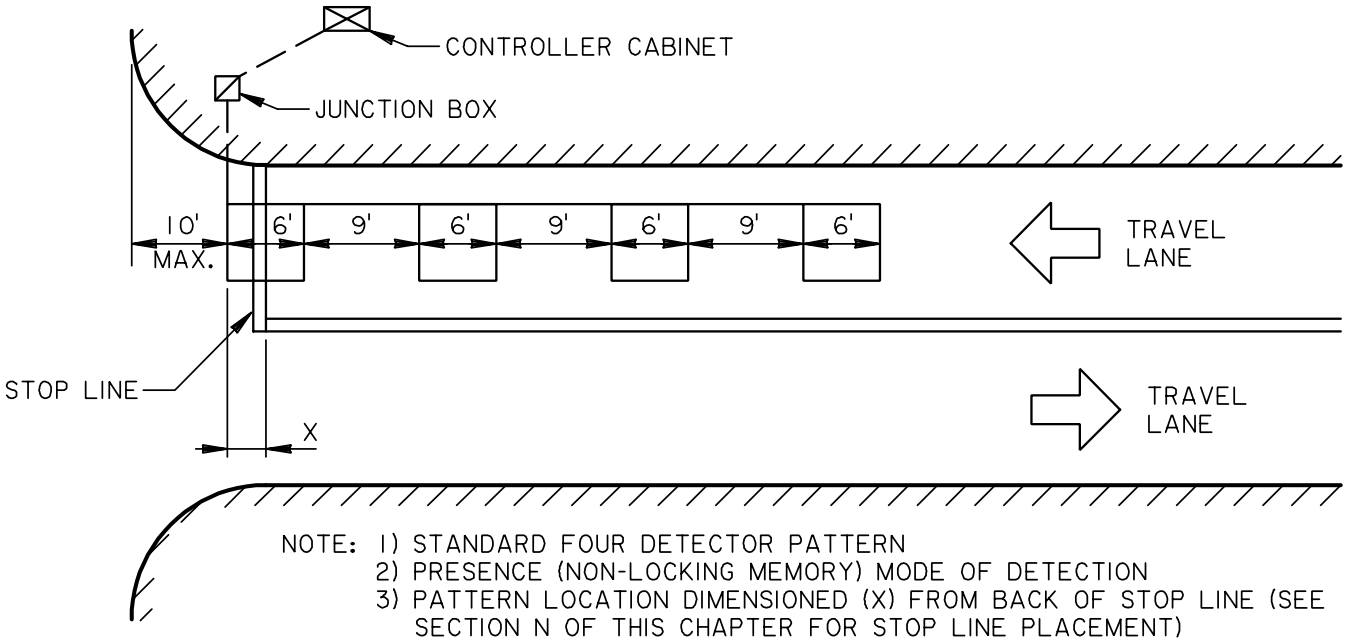
LOOP DETECTOR SIZE
(CENTERED IN LANE)



PRESENCE (LOCKING MEMORY) MODE OF DETECTION

FIGURE 2C-1

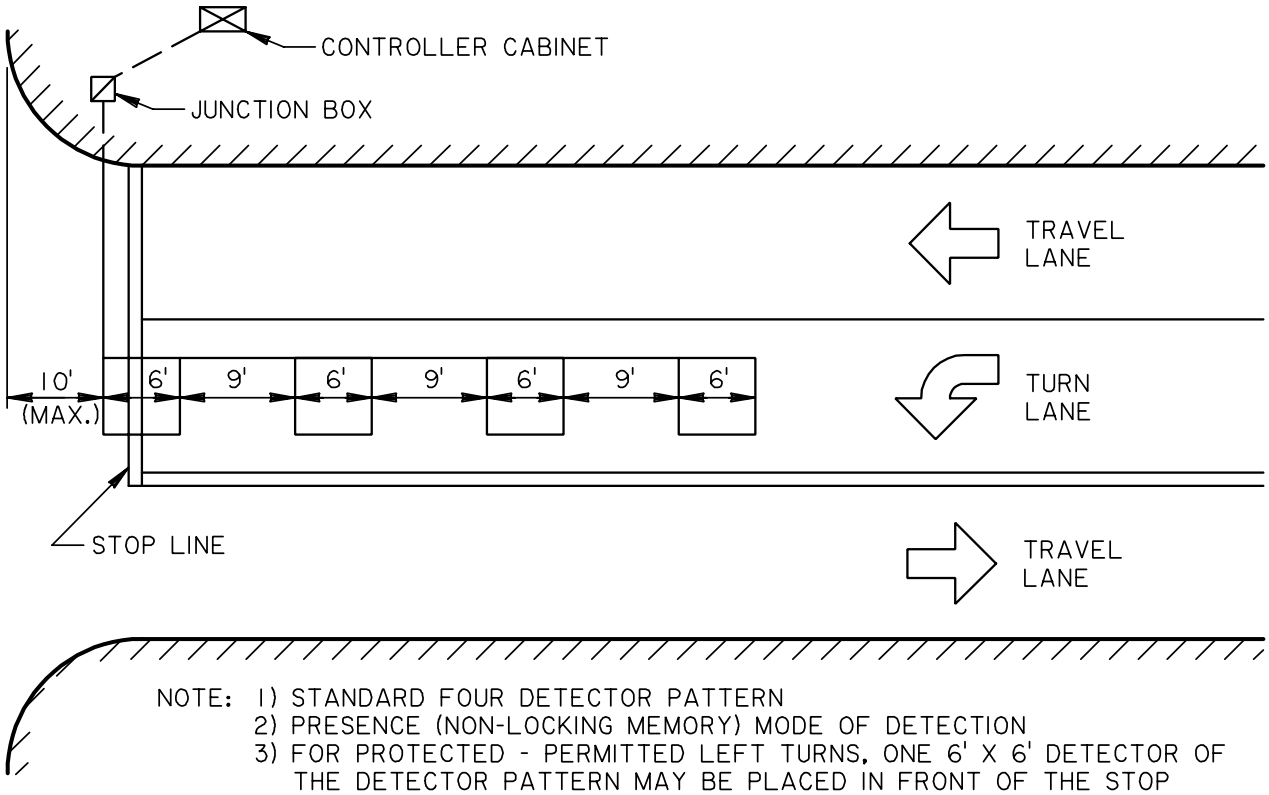
LOOP DETECTOR PLACEMENT / PATTERN
MINOR APPROACH



NOTE: 1) STANDARD FOUR DETECTOR PATTERN
2) PRESENCE (NON-LOCKING MEMORY) MODE OF DETECTION
3) PATTERN LOCATION DIMENSIONED (X) FROM BACK OF STOP LINE (SEE SECTION N OF THIS CHAPTER FOR STOP LINE PLACEMENT)

FIGURE 2C-2

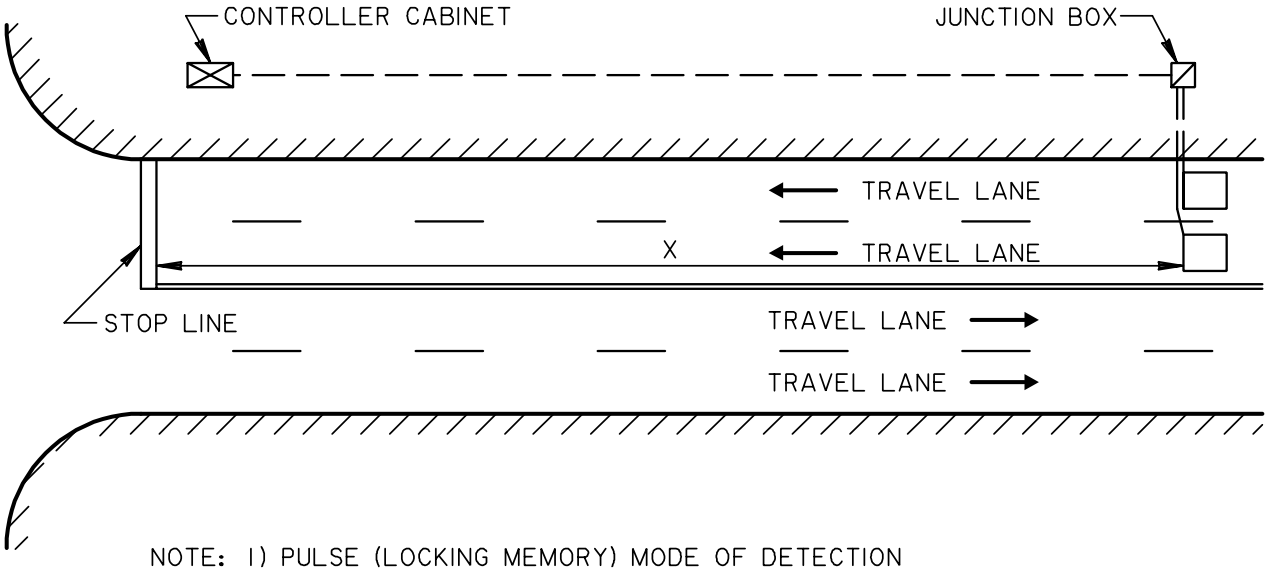
LOOP DETECTOR PLACEMENT / PATTERN
MAJOR / MINOR APPROACH
LEFT TURN LANE
(WITH AND WITHOUT LEFT TURN PROTECTION)



NOTE: 1) STANDARD FOUR DETECTOR PATTERN
2) PRESENCE (NON-LOCKING MEMORY) MODE OF DETECTION
3) FOR PROTECTED - PERMITTED LEFT TURNS, ONE 6' X 6' DETECTOR OF THE DETECTOR PATTERN MAY BE PLACED IN FRONT OF THE STOP LINE (SEE SECTION N OF THIS CHAPTER FOR STOP LINE PLACEMENT)

FIGURE 2C-3

LOOP DETECTOR PLACEMENT / PATTERN
MAJOR APPROACH



NOTE: 1) PULSE (LOCKING MEMORY) MODE OF DETECTION

2) DETECTOR SETBACK (X) BASED ON SAFE STOPPING DISTANCE FORMULA (SEE TABLE BELOW)

$$X = SSD = rV + \frac{0.5\ V^2}{d}$$

WHERE: r = REACTION TIME = 1.0 SEC.
V = APPROACH SPEED (FT/SEC)
d = DECELERATION RATE = 10 FT/SEC^2

APPROACH SPEED MPH	APPROACH SPEED FT/SEC	MAJOR APPROACH X = DETECTOR SETBACK (FT)	
30	44.0	141	(USE VOLUME DENSITY CONTROLLER)
35	51.3	183	(USE VOLUME DENSITY CONTROLLER)
40	58.7	231	(USE VOLUME DENSITY CONTROLLER)
45	66.0	284	(USE VOLUME DENSITY CONTROLLER)
50	73.3	342	(USE VOLUME DENSITY CONTROLLER)
55	80.7	406	(USE VOLUME DENSITY CONTROLLER)
60	88.0	475	(USE VOLUME DENSITY CONTROLLER)
65	95.3	549	(USE VOLUME DENSITY CONTROLLER)

(SOURCE: ITE MANUAL OF TRAFFIC SIGNAL DESIGN, 2ND EDITION, P89)

FIGURE 2C-4

LOOP DETECTOR WIRING

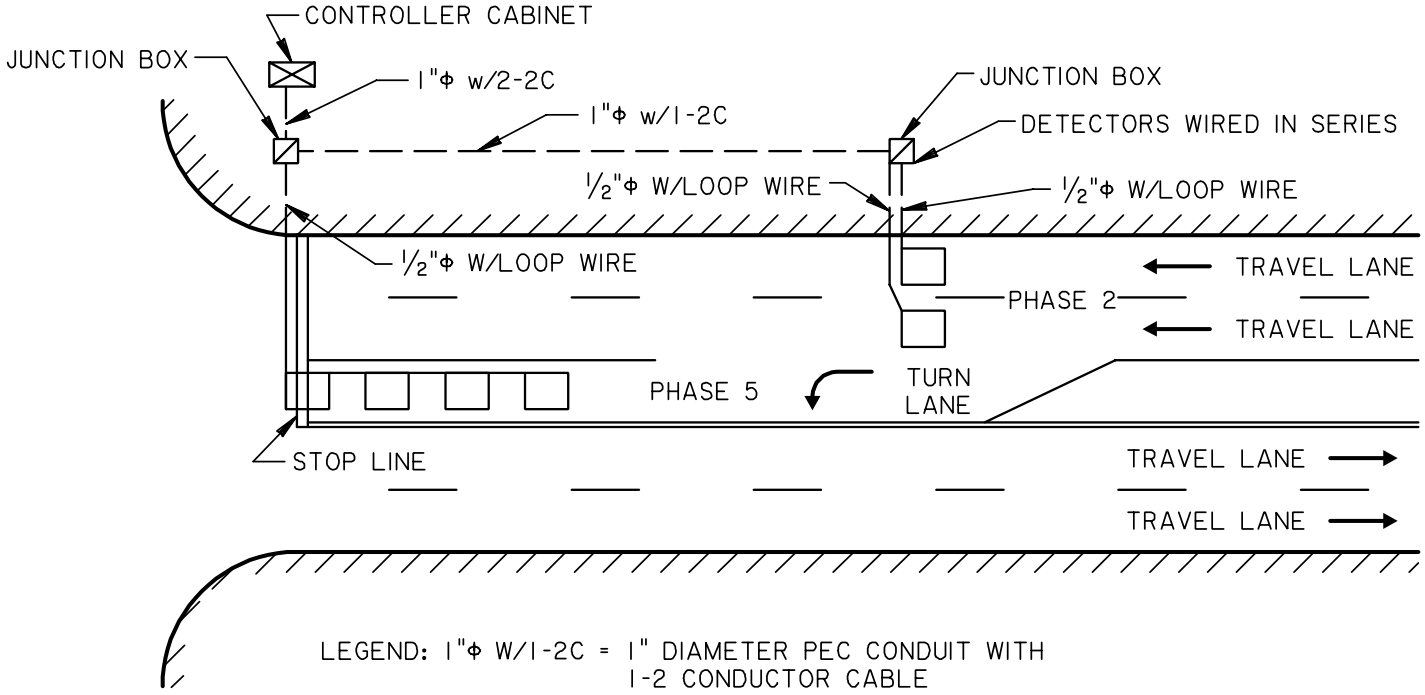
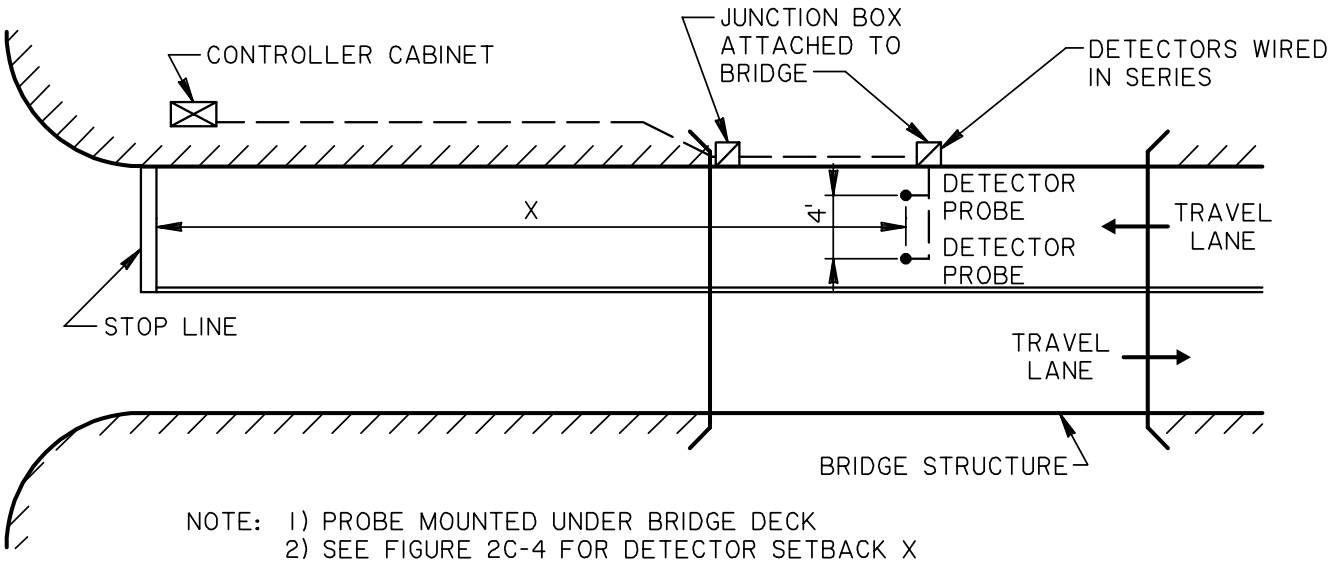


FIGURE 2C-5

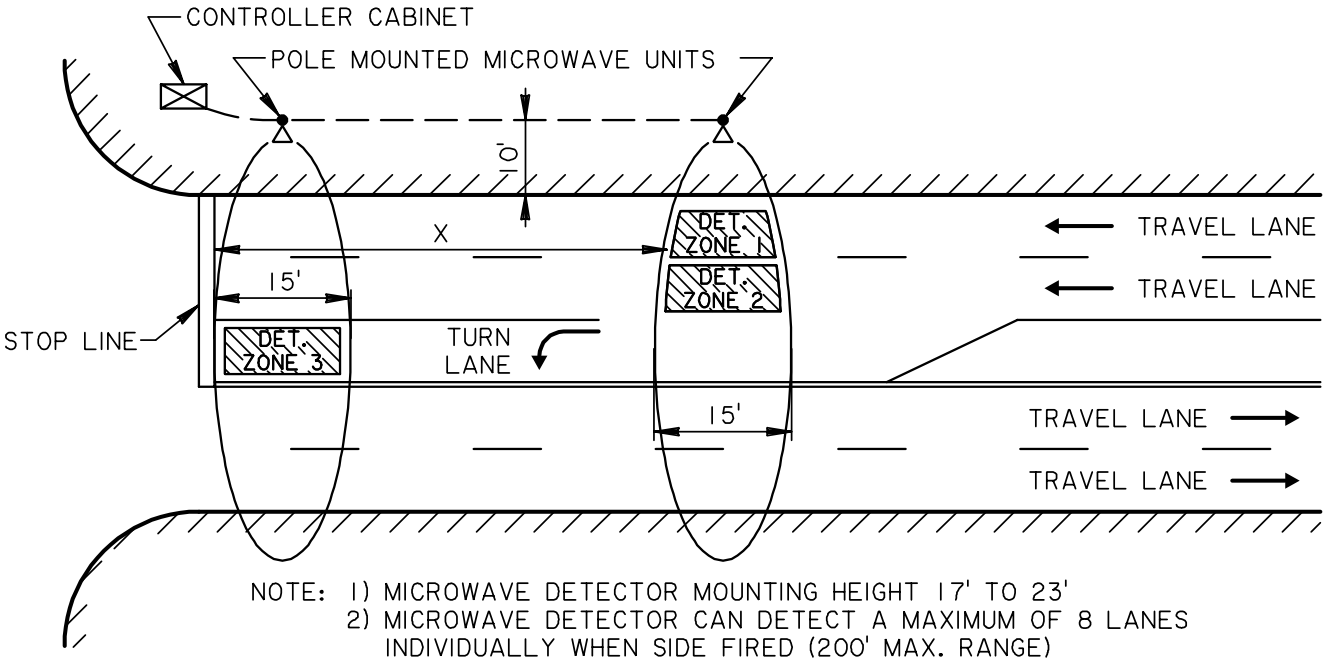
MICROLOOP PLACEMENT / PATTERN



NOTE: 1) PROBE MOUNTED UNDER BRIDGE DECK
2) SEE FIGURE 2C-4 FOR DETECTOR SETBACK X
3) PRESENCE (LOCKING MEMORY) MODE OF DETECTION

FIGURE 2C-6

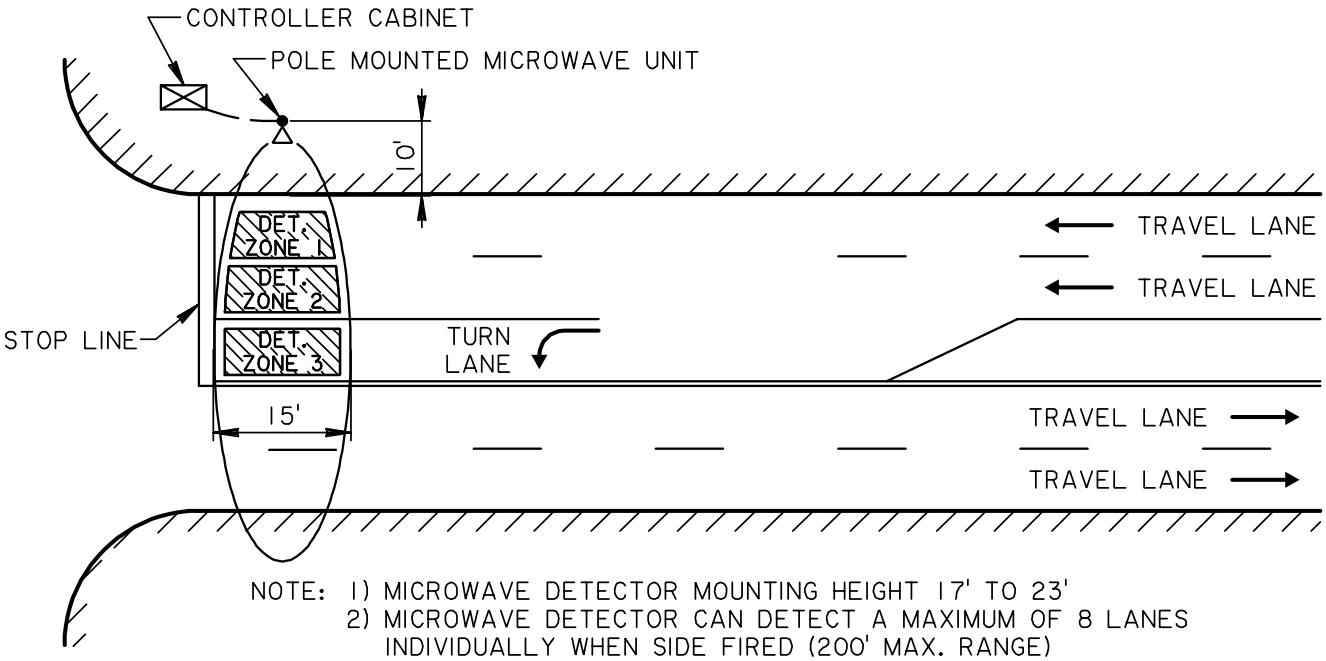
MICROWAVE DETECTOR PLACEMENT / PATTERN
SIDE FIRED (PASSAGE / PRESENCE)



NOTE: 1) MICROWAVE DETECTOR MOUNTING HEIGHT 17' TO 23'
2) MICROWAVE DETECTOR CAN DETECT A MAXIMUM OF 8 LANES INDIVIDUALLY WHEN SIDE FIRED (200' MAX. RANGE)
3) ADVANCE DETECTOR PLACEMENT (X) - USE TABLE 2C-1
4) DETECTOR ZONES 1 AND 2 DETECTING VEHICLE PASSAGE
5) DETECTOR ZONE 3 DETECTING VEHICLE PRESENCE

FIGURE 2C-7

MICROWAVE DETECTOR PLACEMENT / PATTERN
SIDE FIRED (PRESENCE)



NOTE: 1) MICROWAVE DETECTOR MOUNTING HEIGHT 17' TO 23'
2) MICROWAVE DETECTOR CAN DETECT A MAXIMUM OF 8 LANES INDIVIDUALLY WHEN SIDE FIRED (200' MAX. RANGE)
3) DETECTOR ZONES 1, 2, AND 3 DETECTING VEHICLE PRESENCE
4) SINGLE SIDE FIRED MICROWAVE DETECTOR CAN DETECT LEFT TURN AND THROUGH LANES SEPARATELY

FIGURE 2C-8

D. SIGNAL TIMING – Proper signal timing is essential to the efficient operation of a signalized intersection. The objective of signal timing is to determine the appropriate timing for each required signal phase so as to minimize the average delay to any single group of vehicles or pedestrians and to reduce the probability of conflicts that could cause accidents[23]. The timing of a traffic signal should be such that the level of service on the state highway is at least one level of service or higher than that for the minor street. Where both intersecting roadways are state highways, the signal timing should be such as to have the same level of service on both roadways. Regardless of how precise a theoretical method of signal timing might be, its effectiveness for actual traffic conditions must be observed in the field and appropriate timing adjustments made if necessary[24].

1.0 Cycle length – Once the signal's phasing has been decided upon using the guidelines in section B of this chapter, the cycle length of the signal must then be determined. A signal's cycle length is defined as the total time in seconds required to complete a prescribed sequence of signal phases. In general, signal cycles should be as short as possible to adequately handle the traffic demand and should fall within the following ranges[25]:

2 Phase	40-80 Seconds
3 Phase	60-100 Seconds
4 Phase	80-120 Seconds

1.1 Cycle Length Determination – Cycle lengths should be calculated for the AM Peak hour, the PM Peak hour and the off peak periods as a minimum. If the cycle lengths are significantly different from one another (10 seconds or more), then each period would operate on a different cycle length. There are several methods used to calculate cycle lengths, two of which are provided below.

1.1.1 Critical Lane Volume Method [26]–The sum of the critical lane volumes for each signal phase can be used to determine a minimum cycle length. The first step is assigning peak hour approach volumes to individual lanes as follows:

- Exclusive Turn Lanes – Where exclusive turn lanes are available, all turns are assigned to the appropriate turn lane. The remaining approach through volumes are equally distributed to the approach through lanes.

- Shared Lanes without permissive left turns – For shared and/or through lanes where permissive left turns are not

[23] Northwestern University, Traffic Institute, Traffic Signal Workshop Notebook, 1994, Section 4, p. 2
[24] Northwestern University, Traffic Institute, Traffic Signal Workshop Notebook, 1994, Section 4, p. 3
[25] Northwestern University, Traffic Institute, Traffic Signal Workshop Notebook, 1994, Section 4, p. 3
[26] Northwestern University, Traffic Institute, Traffic Signal Workshop Notebook, 1994, Section 6, p. 1-4

present, the approach volume is equally distributed amongst the approach lanes.

- Shared lanes with permissive left turns

  Where permissive left turns are present in shared lanes, the left turn volumes must be converted to through vehicle equivalents (TVE) using Table 2D-1.

  They are then added to the through and right turn volumes on the approach and equally distributed to the approach lanes.

  The total TVE left turn volume is then subtracted from the inside (left) shared lane volume to determine the actual number of through vehicles in that lane.

  This actual number of through vehicles is added to the actual left turn volume and assigned to the shared inside (left) lane.

  The actual remaining traffic is then distributed equally to the remaining approach lanes.

  The highest lane volume for this approach is critical lane volume for the approach. (See Figure 2D-1)

- Using the assumed signal phasing, the highest lane volume moving in each phase is identified as the critical lane volume for that phase.

- The critical lane volume for all phases is totaled and Table 2D-2 is used to determine the minimum cycle length.

1.1.2 Signal Timing Software – WIN TEAPAC 2000, SIGNAL 2000 software provides a relatively quick and easy method of determining how well a range of cycle lengths will work for a given set of conditions at an intersection. The procedure used is as follows:

- Under "Edit" choose "Movement" and enter the following information: Volumes
  Widths
  Lanes
  Required Clearances

Minimum Greens

- Under "Edit" choose "Phasing" and enter the following information: Sequences
  Permissives
  Overlaps
  Lead/Lag
  Range of cycles with increments
  Pedestrian Timing

- Under "Results" choose "Design" which will give the level of service for a range of cycles and phases. Generally the lowest cycle length with the best level of service for the phasing desired is chosen.

1.2 Signal Systems

1.2.1 Existing System – Where a signal is to be added to an existing signal system, it must operate on the same cycle length as the system or a multiple of it.

1.2.2 New System - If individual signals are being timed for a new signal system, the intersection requiring the longest cycle lengths is the "critical intersection" and its cycle length will determine the cycle length for the system.

2.0 Pretimed (fixed time) Controller Timing – As previously defined a pretimed controller is one in which the timing and phasing do not vary from cycle to cycle. Once a cycle length has been chosen, the basic timing parameters for a pretimed controller are the green interval and clearance interval for each phase. Additionally, if pedestrian crossings are a consideration, pedestrian timing will also have to be considered with or without pedestrian signal indications.

2.1 Green Interval Timing – With solid state equipment the green time for each phase is set on maximum recall because of the lack of signal detection. This setting for each phase is based on the average needs for that particular movement as determined by traffic counts. Ideally it should be long enough to service all the vehicles and pedestrians accumulated during the red interval[27]. Two methods of calculating the maximum green time is as follows:

2.1.1. Manual calculation – The green interval timing can be calculated for each phase by equation 2D-1.

[27] Traffic Engineering Handbook, 1999, p. 480

Equation 2D-1

$$G = \left[\frac{V_A}{V_T} xC \right] - CLR$$

Where: G = Green interval for phase (sec.)
V_A = Critical lane volume for phase (veh/hr.)
V_T = Sum of critical lane volumes for all phases (veh/hr.)
C = Cycle Length
CLR = Clearance interval for phase (sec.)

2.1.2 Signal Timing Software – WIN TEAPAC 2000, Signal 2000 software provides a relatively quick and easy method of determine optimium green phase setting while minimizing the approach and overall intersection delay. The procedure used is as follows:

- Under "Edit" choose "Movement" and enter the following information
  - Volumes
  - Width
  - Lanes
  - Group Types (normal, free flow, dual optional)
  - Peak Hour Factors
  - Arrival Types
  - Actuations (enter "No" for all movements)
  - Required Clearances

- Under "Edit" choose "Phasing" and enter the following information
  - Sequences
  - Permissives
  - Overlaps
  - Lead Lag
  - Cycles (set max cycle and min cycle equal)
  - Ped Time

- Under "Results" execute "Design" and "Timing" which will give you an optimum timing for the phasing and cycle length you have chosen. Additionally executing "Analyze" will give a capacity/delay analysis for the intersections to see if further timing adjustments are needed to adjust the individual approach and overall intersection delay.

2.1.3 Peak Hour Factor (PHF) – The peak hour factor, used in signal timing software such as WIN TEAPAC 2000, SIGNAL 2000, is a measure of the consistency of the traffic demand for a peak hour.

It is defined as the peak hour volume divided by four (4) times the peak 15 minute volumes as shown in equation 2D-2[28].

Equation 2D-2

$$\text{PHF} = \frac{V_T}{V_{15} x 4}$$

Where: V_T = Peak Hour Volume

V_{15} = Peak 15 minute volume

The peak hour volume to be used in software timing/capacity analysis should be actual peak hour factor for each approach as determined from the manual peak hour turning movements counts at the intersection. The peak hour factor is usually computed automatically for each approach in current traffic count software.

2.2 Clearance Interval Timing – The clearance interval of a traffic signal is used to notify the motorist that the green interval is ending and should provide enough time so that the motorist can either stop or proceed safely through the intersection prior to the release of opposing traffic. It is usually composed of a yellow interval and an all red interval. The yellow interval normally has a range of from 3 to 6 seconds. Yellow intervals in excess of this may encourage motorists to "run the yellow" instead of stopping. If a clearance interval in excess of 5 seconds is required, the additional time is usually provided by an all red interval[29].

2.2.1 Through vehicle clearances – The clearance interval for through vehicles is calculated by the equation, 2D-3 which includes a reaction time, a deceleration time and an intersection clearance time. This equation assures that the clearance interval is of sufficient length to eliminate the "dilemma zone" in which a motorist doesn't have sufficient time to either stop or proceed through the intersection[30].

Equation 2D-3

$$CLR = t + \frac{V}{2a + 64.4g} + \frac{(w + L)}{V}$$

[28] Traffic Engineering Handbook, 1999, P. 79-80
[29] Traffic Engineering Handbook, 1999, p. 481
[30] Traffic Engineering Handbook, 1999, p. 481

Where: CLR =non-dilemma clearance interval (yellow + all red), (sec.)
t =Perception – Reaction Time (normally 1 sec.)
V=Approach speed (ft./sec.)
a =Deceleration rate (typically 10ft./sec.^{2})
g =Percent grade as a decimal (positive for upgrade, negative for downgrade)
w =Intersection width, stop line to far cross street curb line (ft.)
L =Length of vehicle (typically 20 ft.)

The yellow interval is usually set as the sum first two terms of the equation and the all red is set at the value of the third term[31]. Table 2D-3 calculates these values for a range of approach speeds and intersection widths.

2.2.2. Left turn vehicle clearances – In determining the clearance interval for left turn phases, equation 2D-3 is also use but the turning path of the vehicle is used for "w" and the speed of the turning vehicle "V" should be 15 mph. The turning path of the vehicle is measured on an arc from the stop line in the left turn lane to the far left curb line of the street from which the turn is made.

2.3 Pedestrian Timing – Where pedestrian crossings are a consideration, the concurrent and parallel vehicular green interval plus its clearance interval must be checked to assure it is of adequate length to provide enough time for the pedestrians to cross the street. This must be done whether or not pedestrian signal indications are provided. To safely cross the street, pedestrians need at least 4 to 7 seconds to leave the curb (a walk interval) and time to cross the street from the curb line to the center of the farthest travel lane or to a median of sufficient width for pedestrians to wait (a pedestrian clearance interval). A walking speed of 4 feet/second is used in calculating the pedestrian clearance interval. Where the crossing is routinely used by young children, the elderly, the physically challenged or large groups of pedestrians, a walking speed of 3.0 feet/second is normally used. The clearance interval is calculated by equation 2D-4[32].

Equation 2D-4

$$\text{PED CLR} = \frac{W}{V_P}$$

[31] Traffic Control Devices Handbook, 1983, p. 4-103
[32] MUTCD, Millennium Edition, 2001, Part 4, p. 4E-13

Where: PED CLR = Pedestrian Clearance (sec.)
W = width of the street (curb line to center of the farthest lane or to the median) (ft.)
V_P = pedestrian walking speed (ft./sec.)

Therefore the concurrent and parallel vehicular green interval plus its clearances must be greater than or equal to the sum of the pedestrian walk interval plus the pedestrian clearance interval where pedestrian crossing are a consideration. (Equation 2D-5)

Equation 2D-5

Green (sec.) + Yellow (sec.) + All Red (sec.) $\geq$ Ped. Walk (sec.) + Ped. Clr. (sec.)

Where: Ped. Walk = Pedestrian Walk Interval (4-7 sec.)
Ped. Clr. = Pedestrian Clearance Interval (sec.)

3.0 Actuated Timing Parameters (For stop line detectors) – The following timing parameters are for stop line detection of a basic actuated signal controller: minimum green; vehicle extension (passage time), maximum green (I and II), yellow, all red, walk, and pedestrian clearance. The relationship between these timing parameters are shown in figure 2D-2. Timing parameters for advance detectors are discussed in Section 4.0 of this chapter.

3.1 Minimum Green – Where detectors are located at the approach stop line and when pedestrian crossings are not a consideration, a minimum green of 4.0 seconds shall be used. If pedestrian signal phasing is not provided, but pedestrian crossings are a concern, the minimum green should be calculated for the pedestrian crossing (see section D, subsection 2.3 of this chapter). If the pedestrian timing requirement exceeds the minimum green plus its clearance, the pedestrian timing shall govern.

3.2 Vehicle Extension (Passage Time) – This function extends the green beyond minimum green up to a preset maximum timing to accommodate additional vehicles stopped behind the stop line or vehicles approaching the stop line after the signal turns green[33]. It is also the allowable gap for the signal phase to lose the green. Where a pattern of four detectors is located at the stop line, the vehicle extension can be set as low as 1 second. A longer vehicle extension may be used based on vehicle approach speed.

3.3 Maximum Green – This timing parameter defines the maximum green time for the signal phase. It can be determined using the methods previously

[33] Northwestern University, Traffic Institute, Traffic Actuated Control Workshop Notebook, January 1999, Section 7, p. 7

described for green interval timing for pretimed controllers (see section D, subsection 2.1 of this chapter). Since most controllers have two maximum timing settings, (MAX I and MAX II) two different timing plans can be programmed, with Max I used for the lower of the two cycle lengths. When the signal is in a coordinated signal system for part of the day, Max I is used for "free operation" timing while MAX II is used for coordination operations timing. Timing Section D, subsection 7.0 of this chapter (Signal Timing Plans) discusses the use of "force offs" to obtain three or more timing plans.

Some controllers come equipped with a Max III feature that is used for limited traffic surges such as those caused by special events, industrial plant shift changes, schools, etc. Through use of a maximum extension feature either Max I or II can be extended to a Max III setting. This occurs once the controller "maxes out" on two consecutive cycles. On the next cycle, one maximum extension is added, to the Max I or II currently running. If the phase signal continues to max out, maximum extensions are added to each cycle until the Max III setting is reached. Should the signal gap, the original Max I or II setting is reinstated.

3.4 Yellow - The yellow timing is a clearance interval used to notify the motorist that the green interval is ending and should provide enough time so that the motorist can either stop or proceed safely through the intersection. Its calculation is described in Section D, subsection 2.2 of this chapter and is calculated by using the first two terms in equation 2D-3 (shown below)or by using Table 2D-3[34].

$$CLR = t + \frac{V}{2a + 64.4g} + \frac{(w + L)}{V}$$

Where: CLR =non-dilemma clearance interval (yellow + all red), (sec.)
t =Preception – Reaction Time (normally 1 sec.)
V=Approach speed (ft./sec.)
a =Deceleration rate (typically 10ft./sec.^{2})
g =Percent grade (positive for upgrade, negative for downgrade)
w =Intersection width, stop line to far cross street curb line (ft.)
L =Length of vehicle (typically 20 ft.)

- **Left turn vehicle clearances –** In determining the clearance interval for left turn phases, equation 2D-3 is also used but the turning path of the vehicle is used for "w" and the speed of the turning vehicle "V" should be 15 mph. The turning path of the vehicle is measured on an arc from

[34] Traffic Engineering Handbook, 1999, p. 481

the stop line in the left turn lane to the far left curb line of the street from which the turn is made.

3.5 All Red – The all red timing is also part of the clearance interval and immediately follows the yellow timing. It is used to provide additional timing (beyond that needed to stop) for the motorists to clear the intersection before the display of a conflicting green signal indication. It is calculated using the third term in equation 2D-3 shown above or by using Table 2D-3[35].

3.6 Walk – Where pedestrian phases are provided, the "walk" timing provides the time necessary for a pedestrian to leave the curb to cross the street. Minimum settings range from 4 to 7 seconds[36]. Where large groups of pedestrians cross, field observation and timing should be used to see how long it takes the group to leave the curb.

3.7 Pedestrian Clearance ("Flashing" Don't Walk) – Where pedestrian phases are provided, the pedestrian clearance provides the time necessary for a pedestrian to cross the street from the curb line to the center of the farthest travel lane or to a median of sufficient width for pedestrians to wait. A walking speed of 4 feet per second is normally used[37]. Where the crossing is routinely used by young children, the elderly, the physically challenged or large groups of pedestrians, a walking speed of 3.0 feet/second is used. The pedestrian clearance is calculated using equation 2D-4 shown below from section D, subsection 2.3 of this chapter.

$$\text{PED CLR} = \frac{W}{V_P}$$

Where: PED CLR = Pedestrian Clearance (sec.)
W = width of the street (curb line to center of the farthest lane or to the median) (ft.)
V_P = pedestrian walking speed (ft./sec.)

A portion of the pedestrian clearance interval can be timed simultaneously with the yellow and all red intervals of the concurrent vehicular phase.[38] (See figure 2D-4)

4.0 Volume Density Timing Parameters (For advance detectors) – The following timing parameters are for advanced detection of a volume density signal controller. These features are typically used for approach speeds of 30 mph or greater and provide a variable initial (minimum) green as well as a variable "gap" feature. The

[35] Traffic Control Devices Handbook, 1983, p. 4-103
[36] MUTCD, Millennium Edition, 2001, Part 4, p. 4E-13
[37] MUTCD, Millennium Edition, 2001, Part 4, p. 4E-13
[38] MUTCD, Millennium Edition, 2001, Part 4, P. 4E-14

timing parameters are: minimum initial (minimum green), added initial, initial gap (passage time), time before reduction, time to reduce, minimum gap, maximum green (I and II), yellow, all red, walk, and pedestrian clearance. The timing relationship between these parameters are shown in figure 2D-3. The timing of each parameter is as follow:

4.1 Minimum Initial (minimum green) – This function provides the guaranteed minimum green for the signal phase. Because of the added initial feature, the minimum initial does not have to be long enough to start up and clear the intersection all the vehicles waiting between the stop line and the detector.[39] Instead it is usually set between 10-15 seconds so as not to violate motorists expectancy on a major high speed approach. If pedestrian signal phasing is not provided but pedestrian crossings are a concern, the minimum green should also be calculated for the pedestrian crossing (see section D, subsection 2.3 of this chapter). If the length of the required pedestrian phase exceeds the 10-15 second minimum initial, then its timing should be used for the minimum initial setting.

4.2 Maximum Initial[40] – Some controllers come equipped with a maximum initial setting. This is the maximum timing to which the variable initial interval can be extended. It is the timing necessary to clear a queue of vehicles that extends from the stop line to the detector. Assuming a start up delay of 4 seconds and a discharge rate of 2 seconds per vehicle, the maximum initial is calculated by the following equation.

Equation 2D-6

$$MI\ (sec.) = 4 + 2n$$

Where : MI = Maximum Initial
n = Distance for stop line to the detector divided by 20 ft/vehicle

(Source = Northwestern University Traffic Institute, Traffic Actuated Contract Workshop Notebook, September 1994)

[39] Northwestern University, Traffic Institute, Traffic Actuated Control Workshop Notebook, January 1999, Section 7, p. 11
[40] Northwestern University, Traffic Institute, Traffic Actuated Control Workshop Notebook, January 1999, Section 7, p. 6, 11-12

4.3 Added Initial – This function provides the additional initial green timing necessary to clear into the intersection, all the vehicles waiting between the stop line and the detector who are not accommodated by the minimum initial green timing. The added initial adds an interval of timing for each vehicle actuation that is received on the approach while the phase is displayed a yellow or red signal indication but only becomes effective once it exceeds the minimum initial setting.[41] The added initial is calculated by equation 2D-7. The adequacy of this timing must be checked in the field.

Equation 2D-7

$$\text{Added Initial (sec./act.)} = \frac{\text{MI}}{n \times N}$$

Where: MI = Maximum Initial
n = The distance from the stop line to the detector divided by 20 ft.
N = Number of the approach lanes serviced by the signal phase.

(Source: Northwestern University Traffic Institute, Traffic Signal Workshop Notebook, January 1999)

4.4 Initial Gap (Passage Time) – This function is the initial gap setting for the controller to begin the extension of the green timing after the variable initial green timing expires. It is also the allowable gap for the signal phase to loose the green. It is the same as passage time and is calculated as the time it takes a vehicle to travel from the detector to the stop line. This is calculated using equation 2D-8 shown below.

Equation 2D-8

$$\text{Initial Gap (Passage Time)} = \frac{D}{V}$$

Where: D = Distance from the detector to the stop line (feet)
V = 85th percentile approach speed (ft/sec.)

4.5 Time Before Reduction – This function sets the time before the initial gap setting is allowed to begin reducing towards the minimum gap setting. It does not start timing until the variable initial green has timed out and a vehicle or

[41] Northwestern University, Traffic Institute, Traffic Actuated Control Workshop Notebook, January 1999, Section 7, p. 6, 11-12

pedestrian call is received on a conflicting phase. It is usually set between 10-20 seconds and should be observed in the field to assure that it does not cause the green to prematurely gap out.[42]

4.6 Time to Reduce – This function sets the time over which the initial gap is reduced to the minimum gap and assures that the phase will not be held by large gaps in traffic. It is usually set between 10-20 seconds and should be field checked for proper operation.[43]

4.7 Minimum Gap – This function sets the lower limit on the largest gap in the approach traffic that will be allowed to hold the green. A setting of 2.5 seconds is adequate for a single lane approach. This setting can be reduced as the number of approach lanes moving traffic on the phase increase.[44] Such a reduction must be verified to work in the field.

4.8 Maximum Green - This timing parameter defines the maximum green time for the signal phase. It can be determined using the methods previously described for green interval timing for pretimed controllers (see section D, subsection 2.1 of this chapter). Since most controllers have two maximum timing settings, (MAX I and MAX II) two different timing plans can be programmed, with Max I used for the lower of the two cycle lengths. When the signal is in a coordinated signal system for part of the day, Max I is used for "free operation" while MAX II is used for coordination operations. Section D, subsection 7.0 of this chapter (Signal Timing Plans) discusses the use of "force offs" to obtain three or more timing plans.

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4.9 Clearance Intervals

4.9.1 Yellow - The yellow timing is a clearance interval used to notify the motorist that the green interval is ending and should provide

[42] Northwestern University, Traffic Institute, Traffic Actuated Control Workshop Notebook, January 1999, Section 7, p. 13
[43] Northwestern University, Traffic Institute, Traffic Actuated Control Workshop Notebook, January 1999, Section 7, p. 13
[44] Northwestern University, Traffic Institute, Traffic Actuated Control Workshop Notebook, January 1999, Section 7, p. 13

enough time so that the motorist can either stop or proceed safely through the intersection. Its calculation is described in Section D, subsection 2.2 of this chapter and is calculated by using the first two terms in equation 2D-3 (shown below)or by using Table 2D-3.

$$CLR = t + \frac{V}{2a + 64.4g} + \frac{(w + L)}{V}$$

Where: CLR =non-dilemma clearance interval (yellow + all red), (sec.)
t =Preception – Reaction Time (normally 1 sec.)
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- **Left turn vehicle clearances –** In determining the clearance interval for left turn phases, equation 2D-3 is also use but the turning path of the vehicle is used for "w" and the speed of the turning vehicle "V" should be 15 mph. The turning path of the vehicle is measured on an arc from the stop line in the left turn lane to the far left curb line of the street from which the turn is made.

4.9.2 All Red - The all red timing is also part of the clearance interval and immediately follows the yellow timing. It is used to provide additional timing (beyond that needed to stop) for the motorists to clear the intersection before the display of a conflicting green signal indication. It is calculated using the third term in equation 2D-3 shown above or by using Table 2D-3.

4.10 Pedestrian Phases

4.10.1 Walk - Where pedestrian phases are provided, walk timing provides the time necessary for a pedestrian to leave the curb to cross the street. It minimum setting ranges from 4 to 7 seconds.[45] Where large groups of pedestrians cross, field observation and timing should be used to see how long it takes the group to leave the curb.

[45] MUTCD, Millennium Edition, 2001, Part 4, p. 4E - 13

4.10.2 Pedestrian Clearance ("Flashing" Don't Walk) - Where pedestrian phases are provided, the pedestrian clearance provides the time necessary for a pedestrian to cross the street from the curb line to the center of the farthest travel lane or to a median of sufficient width for pedestrians to wait. A walking speed of 4 feet per second is assumed. It is calculated using equation 2D-4 shown below from section D, subsection 2.3 of this chapter.

$$\text{PED CLR} = \frac{W}{V_P}$$

Where: PED CLR = Pedestrian Clearance (sec.)
W = width of the street (curb line to center of the farthest lane or to the median) (ft.)
V_P = pedestrian walking speed (4ft./sec.)

A portion of the pedestrian clearance interval can be timed simultaneously with the yellow and all red intervals of the concurrent vehicular phase. (See Figure 2D-4)

5.0 Signal Timing Plans - A signal timing plan is a unique combination of cycle length, phasing, splits (green + clearance for each phase) and offsets (for system operation).[46] Where overall intersection volumes vary significantly during the day, more than one cycle length will be needed. The procedure for determining cycle lengths has been previously discussed in Section D, Subsection 1.0 of this chapter. Where individual traffic movements vary significantly during the day, a change in phase split timing is needed. The procedure for determining the green timing required for the split has been previously discussed in Section D, Subsection 2.1 of this chapter. A change in either cycle length or phase splits will require multiple timing plans. Where only two timing plans are needed, MAX I and MAX II can be used.

5.1 Force Off - Where more than two timing plans are needed or signal coordination is required, MAX II using phase splits (green + clearance for each phase) and "force offs" are used. A "force off" is a function that forces the signal to leave a green phase prior to its maximum setting and starts the clearance for that phase. A different set of phase splits and "force offs" are required for each timing plan. When using the MAX II function for multiple timing plans, it is important that the MAX II timing for each phase be set at a value greater than that required for that phase in any of the timing plans. Figure 2D-5 shows an example of using the MAX II function along with phase splits and "force offs" to produce three different timing plans for a coordinated intersection.

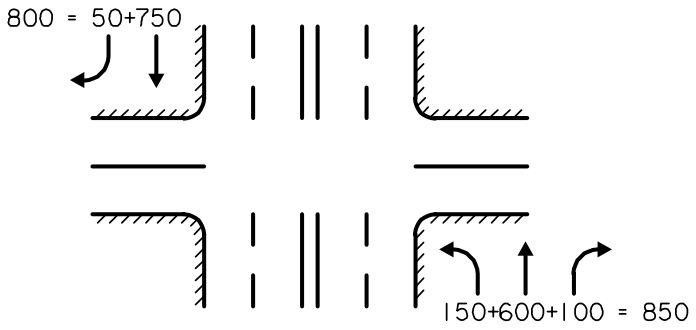
[46] Traffic Control Devices Handbook, 1983, p. 4 - 100

5.2 Offset – Where adjacent signals are coordinated (interconnected), signal offset settings are needed. An offset is the time difference (in either seconds or percent of cycle) between the start or end of the green at one intersection and the start or end of green at another intersection, both measured from a system time base.[47]

[47] Kell and Fullerton, ITE Manual of Traffic Signal Design, 1991, p. 163

CRITICAL LANE VOLUME DETERMINATION EXAMPLE

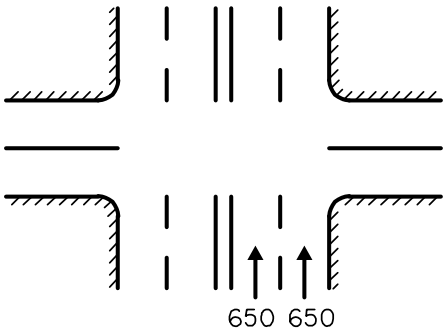
STEP 1 ACTUAL VOLUMES



OPPOSING TRAFFIC 750 + 50 = 800
FROM TABLE 2D-1, TVE FACTOR = 4
150 X 4 = 600 (TVE)

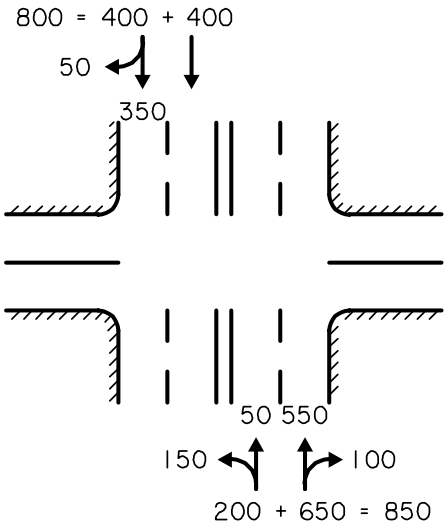
600 (TVE) + 600 + 100 = 1,300
1,300 / 2 = 650

STEP 2 CONVERSION OF PERMISSIVE LT. TURNS TO "THRU VEHICLE EQUIVALENTS" (TVE)



THRU VEHICLES IN LEFT LANE
650 - 600 (TVE) = 50

STEP 3 DETERMINATION OF THE CRITICAL LANE VOLUMES USING ADJUSTED LANE VOLUMES

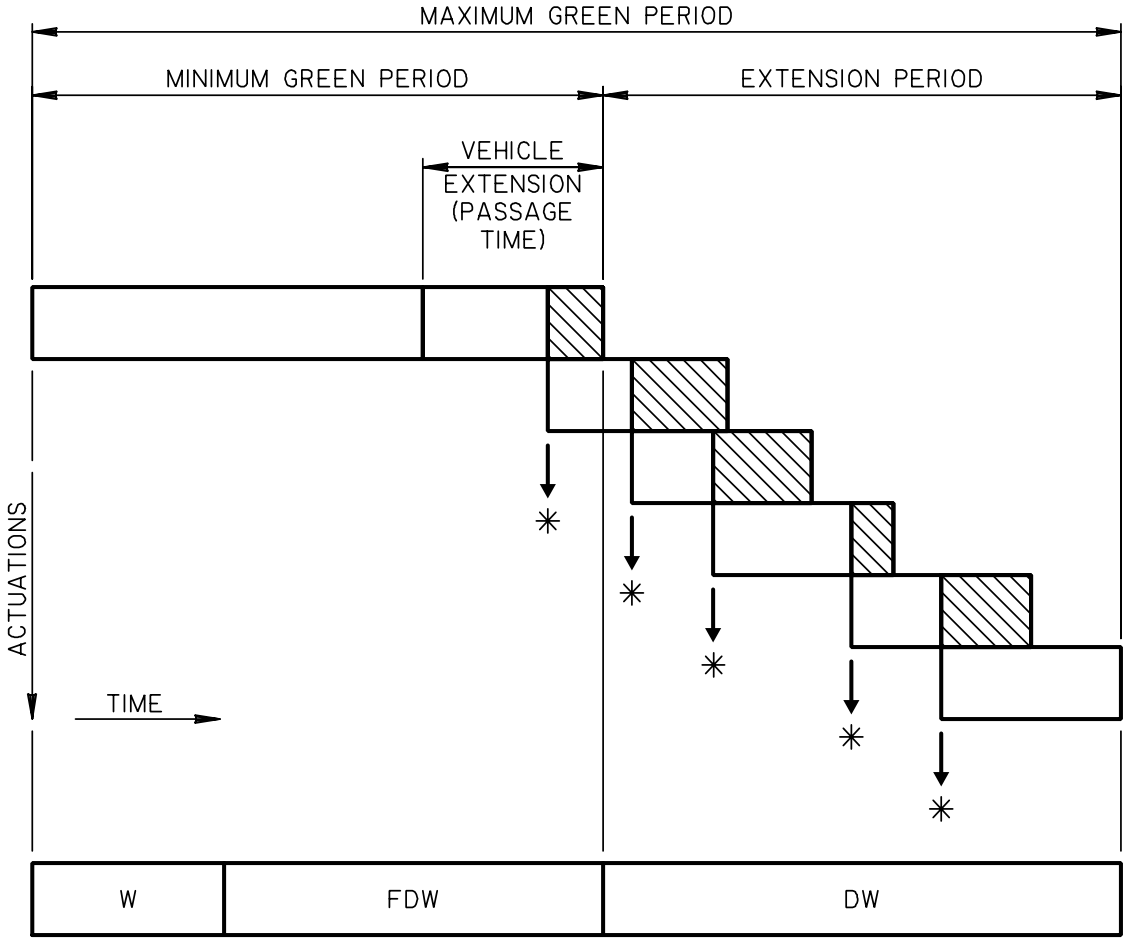


CRITICAL LANE VOLUME = 650

(SOURCE: NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY TRAFFIC INSTITUTE TRAFFIC SIGNAL WORKSHOP NOTEBOOK, SEPT. 1994, SECTION 6, P 3-4)

FIGURE 2D-1

ACTUATED PHASE INTERVALS



LEGEND:

W = WALK
FDW = FLASHING DON'T WALK
DW = DON'T WALK

↓ ✳ = DETECTOR ACTUATION

▨ = UNUSED PORTIONS OF VEHICLE INTERVALS

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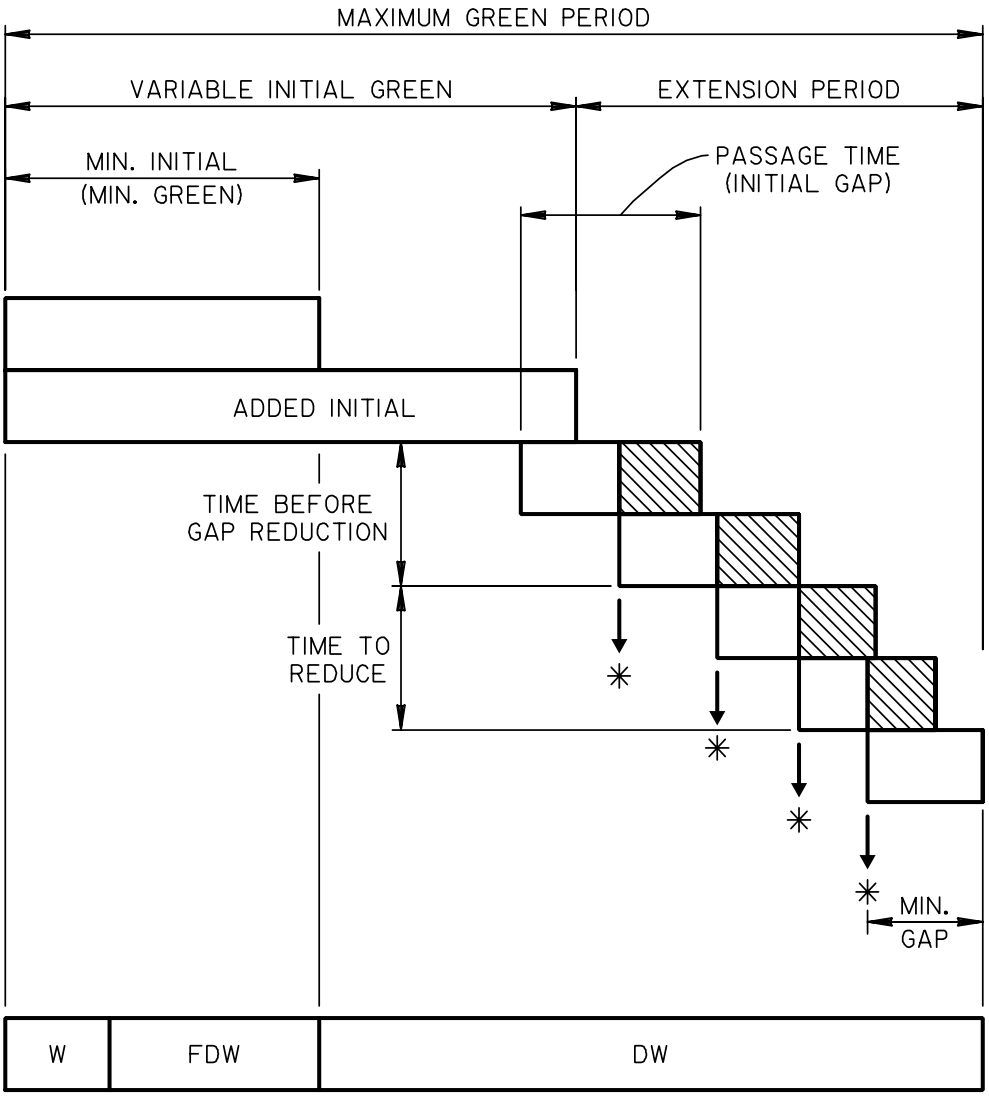
FIGURE 2D-2

VOLUME DENSITY INTERVALS



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W = WALK
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DW = DON'T WALK

↓ ✳ = DETECTOR ACTUATION

▨ = UNUSED PORTIONS OF PASSAGE TIME

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FIGURE 2D-3

VEHICLE/PEDESTRIAN TIMING RELATIONSHIP

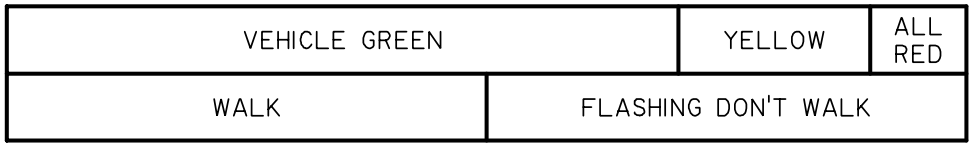
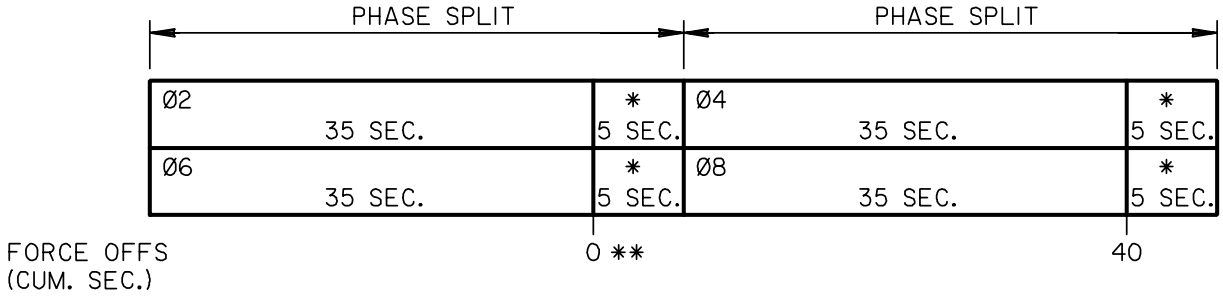


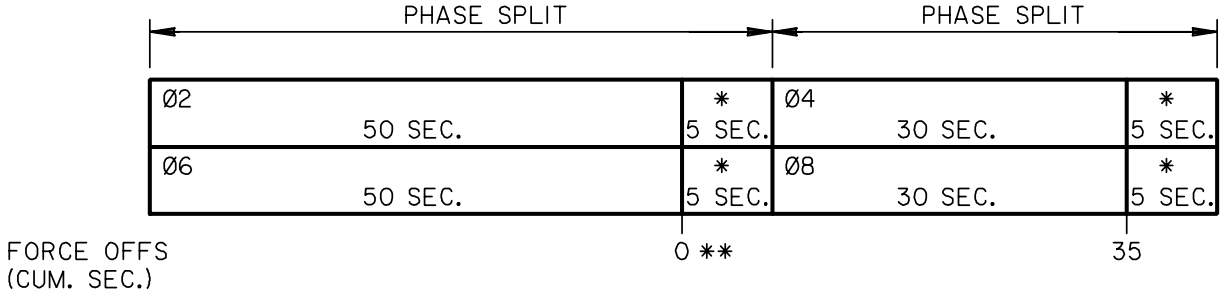
FIGURE 2D-4

MULTIPLE TIMING PLAN EXAMPLE FOR AN COORDINATED INTERSECTION

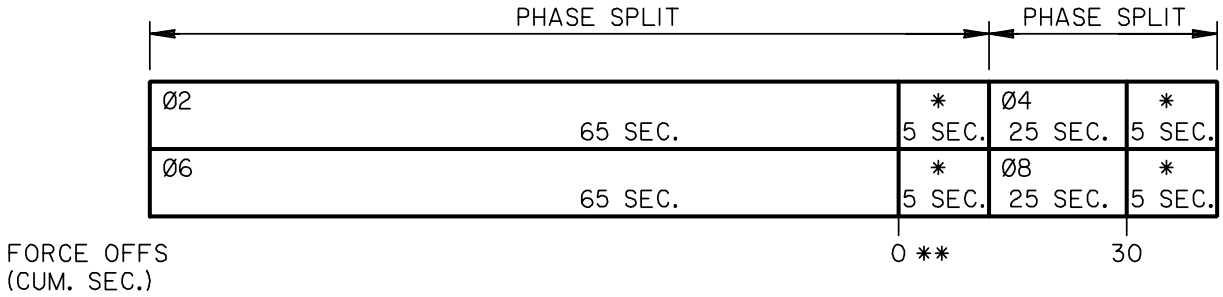
PLAN 1 (OPERATES 9 A.M. - 4 P.M., 6 P.M. - MIDNIGHT)
CYCLE LENGTH = 80 SEC.
OFFSET = 55 SEC.



PLAN 2 (OPERATES 6 A.M. - 9 A.M.)
CYCLE LENGTH = 90 SEC.
OFFSET = 60 SEC.



PLAN 3 (OPERATES 4 PM. - 6 P.M.)
CYCLE LENGTH = 100 SEC.
OFFSET = 3 SEC.



NOTES:
1) * DENOTES CLEARANCE INTERVAL.
2) ** DENOTES LOCAL TIME ZERO.
3) ALL TIMING SHOWN IN SECONDS.
4) SIGNAL OPERATES IN FREE OPERATION (MAX. I) FROM MIDNIGHT TO 6 A.M.
5) SIGNAL OPERATES COORDINATED (MAX. II) 6 A.M. - MIDNIGHT.

FIGURE 2D-5

TABLE 2D-1

Through Vehicle Equivalent (TVE) For Permissive Left Turns	
Opposing Through and Right Turn Volumes	Left Turn Through Vehicle Equivalents
0 – 199	1.1
200 – 599	2.0
600 – 799	3.0
800 – 999	4.0
≥ - 1000	5.0

(Source: Northwestern University Traffic Institute, Signal Workshop Notebook, 1994)

TABLE 2D-2

CYCLE LENGTH VS. SUM OF CRITICAL LANE VOLUMES			
Sum of Critical Lane Volumes	Minimum Cycle Length (SEC)		
	Number of Signal Phases		
	2	3	> 4
600	50	60	70
700	60	70	90
800	70	90	110
900	80	110	130
1000	100	130	----
1100	130	----	----

(Cycle lengths to provide 95% probability of performance for given sum of critical lane volumes) (Source: Northwestern University Traffic Institute.)

TABLE 2D-3

CLEARANCE INTERVALS

		Yellow	all Red													
			(W + L) / V (for W (ft) as noted below)													
V (mph)	(ft/sec)	t = V / (2a)	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	120	140	160	180	200
30	44	3.20	0.91	1.14	1.36	1.59	1.82	2.05	2.27	2.50	2.73	3.18	3.64	4.09	4.55	5.00
35	51	3.57	0.78	0.97	1.17	1.36	1.56	1.75	1.95	2.14	2.34	2.73	3.12	3.51	3.90	4.29
40	59	3.93	0.68	0.85	1.02	1.19	1.36	1.53	1.70	1.88	2.05	2.39	2.73	3.07	3.41	3.75
45	66	4.30	0.61	0.76	0.91	1.06	1.21	1.36	1.52	1.67	1.82	2.12	2.42	2.73	3.03	3.33
50	73	4.67	0.55	0.68	0.82	0.95	1.09	1.23	1.36	1.50	1.64	1.91	2.18	2.45	2.73	3.00
55	81	5.03	0.50	0.62	0.74	0.87	0.99	1.12	1.24	1.36	1.49	1.74	1.98	2.23	2.48	2.73
60	88	5.40	0.45	0.57	0.68	0.80	0.91	1.02	1.14	1.25	1.36	1.59	1.82	2.05	2.27	2.50
65	95	5.77	0.42	0.52	0.63	0.73	0.84	0.94	1.05	1.15	1.26	1.47	1.68	1.89	2.10	2.31

$$CLR = t + \frac{V}{2a + 64.4g} + \frac{(W+L)}{V}$$

WHERE: t = 1.0 SEC.
a = 10 FT./SEC.^{2}
g = 0% GRADE
L = 20 FT.

CALCULATED BY R. CARTER, DISTRICT 61, LADOTD

E. SIGNAL INTERCONNECT/COORDINATION – Signal Coordination occurs when a fixed timing relationship is established between two or more adjacent signals. The purpose of the coordination is to allow traffic on the coordinated street to get a green signal at all the coordinated intersections while traveling at a reasonable speed.

1.0 Warrant – Signals that are within 0.5 miles of one another should be coordinated.[48]

2.0 Offset/Bandwidth Calculation Methods – The following methods of calculating signal offsets and bandwidths are preferred:

2.1 TSPP Draft – Traffic Signal Progression Program, Drafting software – a manual bandwidth optimization program.

2.2 PASSER II software – An automatic bandwidth optimization program

2.3 TEAPAC/NO STOP – An automatic bandwidth optimization program

3.0 Methods of Coordination

3.1 Hard Wire – A 7 conductor wire is run between controllers at adjacent intersections to be used for coordination purposes.

3.2 Data Communications Cable – A data communications cable, single/multi-mode fiber optic cable (6/6) or a 6 conductor (twisted pair) cable is run between controllers at adjacent intersections to be used for coordination and communication purposes.

3.3 Time-Based (Wireless) – Coordination is accomplished internally in each coordinated controller with timing referenced to a system time base. The internal clock in each controller must be set precisely (to the second) with the clocks in the adjacent coordinated controllers.

4.0 Installation – Generally underground rather than overhead installation is preferred. The choice however may be determined by local preference or the location of existing interconnect lines.

4.1 Isolation – Interconnect cable is usually run in its own conduit and junction boxes, separate from signal/detector cables.

4.2 Underground depth – 36 inches (minimum)

4.3 Conduit – 2 inch diameter PEC conduit

4.4 Junction boxes:

[48] MUTCD, Millennium Edition, 2001, Part 4, p. 4D - 21

4.4.1 Type:

LA DOTD Type “E” for 6 pair cable
LA DOTD Type “G” for fiber optics cable

4.4.2 Spacing – 300 ft. (maximum) with 6 ft. of spare interconnect cable in each junction box.

4.5 Risers – When transitioning from overhead to underground or vice versa on a utility pole, a 2 inch diameter riser must be specified for the interconnect cable.

F. RAILROAD PRE-EMPTION – Railroad pre-emption of a traffic signal is the transfer from normal operation of the traffic signal to a special control mode that may include special signing, phasing, indications, and timing. Pre-emption is actuated upon the detection of a train and is designed to prohibit movement across the tracks, and if necessary to clear traffic off the railroad tracks prior to the arrival of the train at the crossing. Current solid state controllers come with built in preemption sequence features.

1.0 Warrant – The coordination of the operation of a traffic signal with a nearby railroad grade crossing equipped with flashing lights may be justified under the following conditions.[49]

1.1 Where the at grade crossing is located within 200 feet of the traffic signal, preemption should be used. At a minimum preemption shall include prohibiting movement across the tracks with blank out signs and/or special phasing. Observations shall be made to determine the length of queues and if necessary, the time required to clear the track. Such observations may be verified with calculations.

1.2 Where the at grade crossing is located more than 200 feet from the signal but traffic from the signal is observed to back up across the railroad tracks, preemption should be used. Preemption shall include prohibiting movement across the tracks with blank out signs and/or special phasing, and timing to clear the track. Observations shall be made to determine the time required to clear the track. Such observations may be verified with calculations.

1.3 When traffic stopped for a train at the grade crossing frequently backs up into a nearby signalized intersection, preemption may be considered.

2.0 Field Observation Method – Several computational methods are available for the estimation of queue lengths and queue clearance times for railroad preemption. The results of these calculations can vary significantly from each other and more importantly from observed values. Only observation of actual conditions can account for the numerous variables associated with roadway geometry, local driver behavior, traffic mix, etc. Accordingly, the queue lengths and queue clearance design values for preemptions shall be based on observed values. The Field Observation Procedure is given in Subsection 9.0 of this section. Computations should only be used to confirm observations of the actual track queue lengths and track clearance times which are measured directly in the field. Computations may also be necessary for future intersections or traffic conditions which do not presently exist.

3.0 Queue Length Calculations – Calculation of the traffic back up is determined with approximately 95% certainty using Equation 2F-1 or 2F-2. The traffic back up in the through lanes as well as turn lanes should be checked.

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[49] Northwestern University Traffic Institute, Railroad Grade Crossing Workshop Notebook, January 1999, Section 9, p. 5-7

3.1 Back Up Queue Calculation (Approach v/c < 0.90)

Equation 2F-1

$$L = \frac{2vr}{3600N}(1+P)(25)$$

Where: L = Length of Queue (ft./lane)
v =Approach peak hour volume
N =Number of lanes on approach
r =Effective red time (approach clearance + red) (sec)
P =Proportion of Trucks (as a decimal)

(Source: Northwestern University Traffic Institute, Railroad Grade Crossing Workshop Notebook, January 1999)

3.2 Back Up Queue Calculation (Approach v/c ≥ 0.90 but less than 1.0)

Equation 2F-2

$$L = \left(\frac{2vr}{3600N} + \Delta x\right)(1 + P)(25)$$

Where: L = Length of queue (ft.lane)
v = Approach Peak Hour Volume
N = Number of lanes on approach
r = effective red time (approach clearance + red) (sec)
$\Delta x = 100\left(\frac{v}{c}ratio - 0.90\right)$
P = Proportion of trucks (as a decimal)

(Source: Northwestern University Traffic Institute, Railroad Grade Crossing Workshop Notebook, January 1999)

4.0 Grade Crossing Location – Where the distance between the intersection stop line and the rail nearest the intersection minus 6 feet (CSD = clear storage distance) (see Figure 2F-2) is greater than or equal to the longest legal truck combination allowed on Louisiana highways, the signal at the intersection in combination with the grade crossing gates and flashing lights are adequate to handle a railroad preemption sequence (see Figure 2F-1). The longest legal truck combination in Louisiana is computed to be 85 feet.

Where the clear storage distance (CSD) is less than 85 feet, the storage space warning signs, XX FEET BETWEEN TRACKS & HIGHWAY, (W10-11a) should be used in advance of the highway-rail crossing.

5.0 Pre-emption Sequence – The preemption sequencing of a two phase signal is shown in Figure 2F-1. As shown the basic phases of the sequence are, a right-of-way change interval, a clear track interval and preemption hold phasing (while the train is occupying the crossing).

6.0 Railroad Preemption Warning Timing – The basic timing parameters for railroad pre-emption warning time can be found in Table 2F-1. The actual warning time to be provided is the larger of either the "Traffic Signal Maximum Preemption Time" (right of way transfer + clear track intervals) or the "Railroad Warning Time". The calculation of each parameter is as follows:

6.1 Traffic Signal Maximum Preemption Time

6.1.1 Right of Way Transfer Time – This is the time necessary for the signal to cycle to the clear track phase once a train has been detected. Its timing parameters are as follows: [50]

- **Adjustment Time (AT) –** Possible delay in the railroad detection equipment response. This timing is a function of the railroad equipment and should be omitted from the traffic signal design.

- **Traffic Signal Equipment Delay –** The time delay for the signal equipment to respond to a train detection. Use a maximum value of 1.0 seconds depending upon the equipment manufacturer. For solid state controllers this value should be omitted.

- **Min. Ped. Walk and Clearance –** The MUTCD, allows this timing to be omitted during transition into preemption.

[50] Seyfried, Robert K., "Timing of Traffic Signal Preemption at Intersections near Highway-Railroad Grade Crossings," paper, August 2001

- **Minimum Green (on a conflicting phase) –** This timing should be omitted.

- **Yellow Change –** The normal yellow timing for this phase must be used. Its calculation can be founding Section D, subsection 3.4 of this Chapter.

- **Red Clearance -** The normal all red timing for this phase must be used. Its calculation can be found in Section D, Subsection 3.5 of this Chapter.

6.1.2 Clear Track Intervals – This is the time necessary to clear the track of any stopped vehicles prior to the arrival of the train. Clear track interval timing parameters are as follows:[51]

- **Track Clearance –** This timing shall be obtained from the field observation method described in Subsection 9.0 of this section. The equations provided in this section should only be used to estimate timing values.

  - **Dissipation of Queued Vehicles (per lane) –** This allows all the vehicles stopped between the intersection and crossing stop line [clear storage distance (CSD) + track clearance distance (TCD)]to start up and clear intersection. Its timing is calculated by equation 2F-3. The track clearance distance (TCD) is illustrated in Figure 2F-2 and the clear storage distance (CSD) in Figure 2F-1.

Equation 2F-3

$$t = 4 + 2n$$

Where: t = Clear Track Green Interval
n = Number of Vehicles in queue [(CSD+TCD)/20]

(Source: Northwestern University, Traffic Institute, "Timing of Traffic Signal Preemption at Intersections Near Highway Railroad Grade Crossings," paper, 2001, by Robert K. Seyfried, P.E., PTOE)

[51]Seyfried, Robert K., "Timing of Traffic Signal Preemption at Intersections near Highway-Railroad Grade Crossings," paper, August 2001

- **Queue Clearance –** If the crossing is a significant distance from the intersection, the queue clearance must also be calculated. Queue Clearance is the time required to allow a vehicle stopped on the tracks to move off the tracks to a safe area. It is the sum of the time necessary to get the vehicle immediately ahead of this vehicle to start moving (t_1), and the time necessary to get the vehicle on the tracks started and to move to a position clear of the tracks (t_2). It is computed by equation 2F-4 below.

Equation 2F-4

$$t = t_1 + t_2 = (1 + 1.2n) + \sqrt{\frac{2(L + TCD)}{a}}$$

Where: n = number of vehicles in queue [(CSD+TCD)/20]

L = length of design vehicle (85 ft.)
TCD = track clearance distance (ft.) (see Figure 2E-3)
a = acceleration rate for design vehicle (ft./sec.²)
a = 4.4 ft./sec.² for P design vehicle
a = 2.5 ft./sec.² for SU design vehicle
a = 1.6 ft./sec.² for MU design vehicle

(Source: Northwestern University, Traffic Institute, "Timing of Traffic Signal Preemption at Intersections Near Highway Railroad Grade Crossings", paper, 2001, by Robert K. Seyfried, P.E., PTOE)

Important – the larger of the timing for either the "Dissipation of Queued Vehicles" or Queue Clearance" it to be used in the "Clear Track Intervals" calculation, but not both.

- **Clear Track Yellow Change -** The normal yellow timing for this phase is used. See Section D, subsection 3.4 of this chapter for its calculations.

- **Red Clearance –** The normal all red timing for this phase is used. See Section D, subsection 3.5 of this chapter for its calculations.

- **Separation Time –** This is a safety factor to provide additional time between the vehicle clearing the track and the arrival of the train. It typically ranges from 2 to 8 seconds. The recommended value is 2 seconds. It is important to provide when the long queues need to be cleared, train speeds are high, or there is a high percentage of trucks on the approach.

6.2 Railroad Warning Time – This is the warning time provided by the railroad active warning system to the traffic signal controller prior to the arrival of the train. This value is a function of the railroad detection and warning equipment and shall be provided by the railroad. The method below may be used only to estimate this value. As previously mentioned, the larger of either this "Traffic Signal Maximum Preemption Time" or the "Railroad Warning Time" should be used as the actual warning time provided at a crossing. The Railroad Warning Time includes the following timing parameters:[52]

6.2.1 Adjustment Time (AT) – Possible delay in the railroad detection equipment response (can be as much as 5 sec. - check with railroad).

6.2.2 Minimum Warning Time (MWT) - The MUTCD, specifies that the flashing lights at the crossing shall operate a minimum of 20 seconds prior to the arrival of the train. The desirable range of MWT is 20 to 30 seconds.

The MUTCD also states that if the train speed of all trains using the crossing is less than 20 mph and flagging is performed by an employee on the ground, a shorter operating time can be used for the flashing lights.

6.2.3 Clearance Time (CT) – This function increases the 20 second MWT by one second for each 10 feet or portion there of that the "Track Clearance Distance" (See Figure 2F-2) is over 35 feet. (See Equation 2F-5)

[52] Seyfried, Robert K., "Timing of Traffic Signal Preemption at Intersections near Highway-Railroad Grade Crossings", paper, August 2001

Equation 2F-5

$$CT = \left(\frac{TCD - 35\,ft.}{10}\right)(1 \text{ sec./ft.})$$

Where: CT = Clearance Time (sec) (rounded up to next whole positive second)
TCD = Track Clearance Distance (ft.) (See Figure 2F-2)

6.2.4 Buffer Time (BT) - A discretionary time that provides an additional safety factor prior to the arrival of the train. A timing of 4 to 8 seconds is generally used.

7.0 Blank Out Signs – This type sign displays a blank face unless internally illuminated upon activation at a specific time. Such signs displaying the message/symbol "No Left Turn" or "No right Turn" are useful as part of the railroad preemption sequence at signalized intersections immediately adjacent to grade crossing. (See Figure 2F-1) At such locations, turn prohibition blank out signs would prevent traffic from turning into and occupying the limited storage area between the tracks and intersection and eventually blocking the intersection itself.

8.0 Turn Arrows – Turn phases with arrow indications which conflict with the railroad preemption, shall be omitted until the train has cleared the railroad crossing.

9.0 Field Observation Procedure - The following queue/clearance field observation method provides a method to directly measure the saturation flow rates.[53]

The queue/clearance field observation procedure requires the survey of intersection geometry and the measurement of queue lengths and clearance times. The survey and measurements can be performed by a single technician; however, a two-person crew would reduce fatigue as well as possible error. The field notes and tasks identified in the following section should be adjusted according to the type of equipment used. Necessary equipment includes a measuring wheel (or tape), a stopwatch, and a Track Clearance Worksheet, Figure 2F-3.

Review existing traffic counts and select a time period during which the queue lengths are expected to reach the tracks. In order to obtain a statistically significant value, a minimum of 15 signal cycles with queues extending into the track dynamic envelope (See Figure 2F-3) are required. Queues should be checked for through lanes as well as turn lanes. For tracks that are fairly close to the intersection, queue measurements can be made at any time of day. For locations where the tracks are 200 feet or more from the tracks, queues may only extend back to the tracks during the AM, noon, or PM peaks. Notes should be made concerning the number of attempts made to observe queue lengths. If queues are expected, but do not occur

[53] Highway Capacity Manual, 2000, Chapter 16, Appendix H

after three separate attempts, track clearance will not be an issue in the preemption design at this location.

9.1 Field Measurement

9.1.1 Fill out the General Information data on the Track Clearance Worksheet.

9.1.2 Measure and record the Geometric Input data for the site being studied.

9.1.3 Select an observation point where the track dynamic envelope and the corresponding signal heads are clearly visible.

9.1.4 As the queue builds during the red phase, record the number and types of vehicles in the queue.

9.1.5 Note number (1st, 2nd, 3rd …) of the Nth vehicle which is stopped in the track dynamic envelope. If no vehicle stops in the envelope, record the Nth vehicle at the end of the queue.

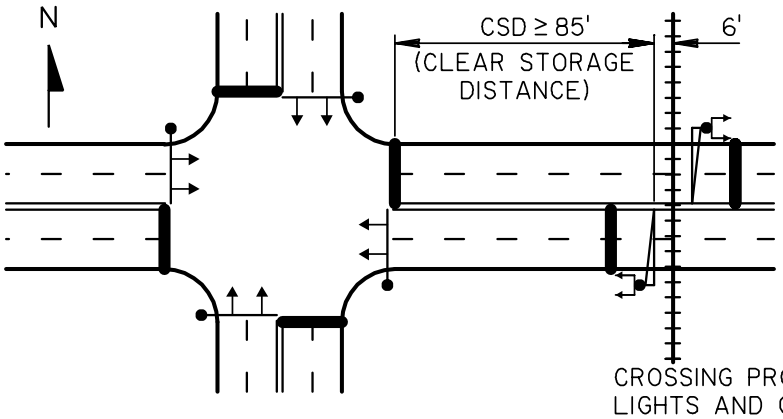
9.1.6 When the light turns green, start the timer. When the rear bumper of the Nth vehicle clears the dynamic envelope, stop the timer. Record the time. If no vehicle stops on the tracks, the time should be left blank.

9.1.7 Not any unusual events that may have influenced the track clearance time such as buses receiving or discharging passengers, stalled vehicles, unloading trucks, accidents, etc. These observations shall be discarded and not utilized in the queue length and track clearance results.

9.1.8 The design values for queue length shall be based on the maximum observed value for a minimum of 15 cycles.

9.2 Results – If the queue is not observed to extend the tracks, then track clearance shall not be included in the preemption timing. If the queue is observed to extend to the tracks on one or more occurances, then track clearance shall be included in the preemption timing. The queue clearance value shall be the maximum observed value. If more than 5% of the queue consists of trucks (Single Unit and Tractor Trailer), then a longer separation time may be used.

TYPICAL RAILROAD PREEMPTION SEQUENCE FOR 2 PHASE OPERATION



CSD = THE DISTANCE FROM THE STOP LINE TO THE RAIL NEAREST THE INTERSECTION MINUS 6' IS GREATER THAN OR EQUAL TO THE DISTANCE NECESSARY TO STORE THE LONGEST LEGAL TRUCK COMBINATION (SAY 85').

(SOURCE: NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY TRAFFIC INSTITUTE, RAILROAD GRADE CROSSING WORKSHOP, NOTEBOOK, JAN. 1999, SECTION 9, P9)

CROSSING PROTECTED W/FLASHING LIGHTS AND GATES

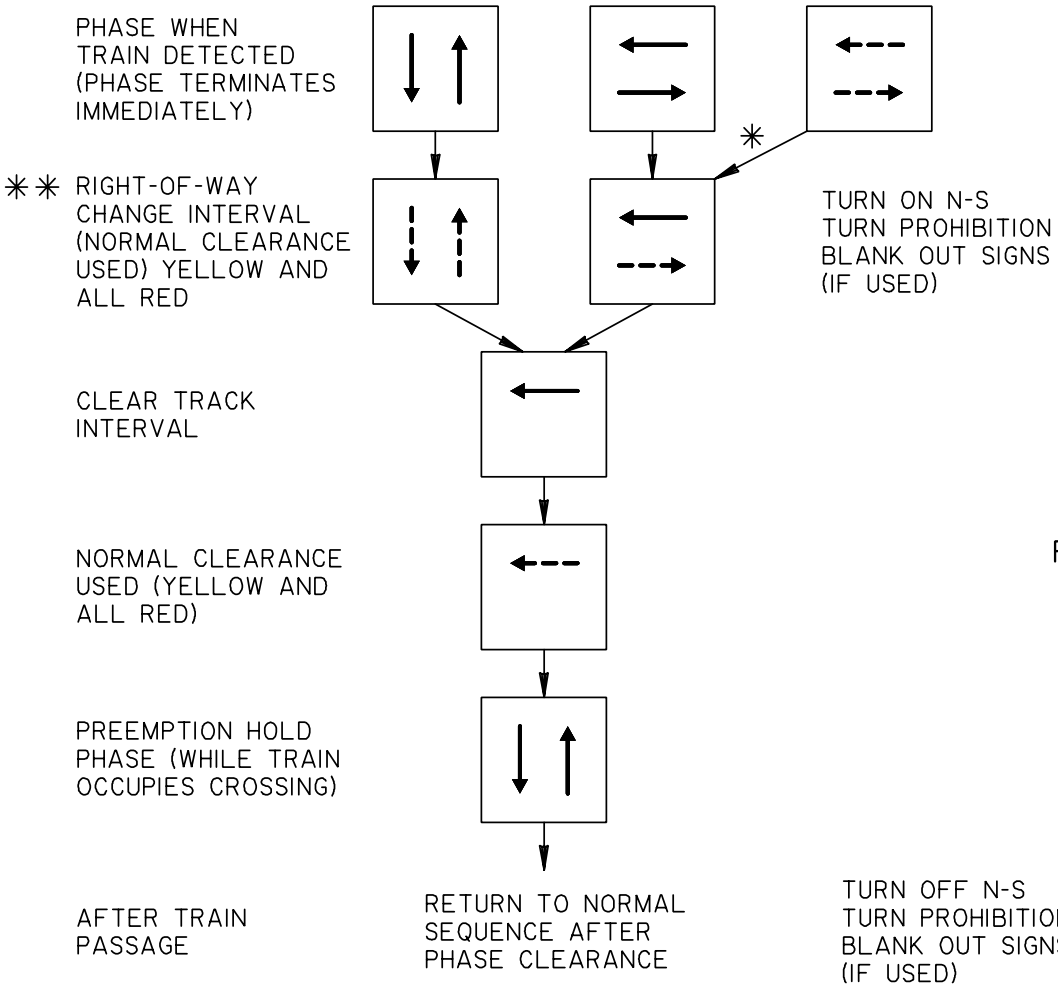


FIGURE 2F-1

✳ NOTE: YELLOW SIGNAL RETURN TO GREEN MINUS ALL RED ALLOWED BY 2000 MUTCD IN THIS SITUATION.

✳✳ NOTE: IF PEDESTRIAN PHASES ARE PRESENT, THE 2000 MUTCD ALLOWS THE WALK AND/OR PEDESTRIAN CLEARANCE INTERVALS TO BE SHORTENED OR OMITTED DURING THE TRANSITION INTO PREEMPTION, ENGINEERING JUDGEMENT MUST BE USED.

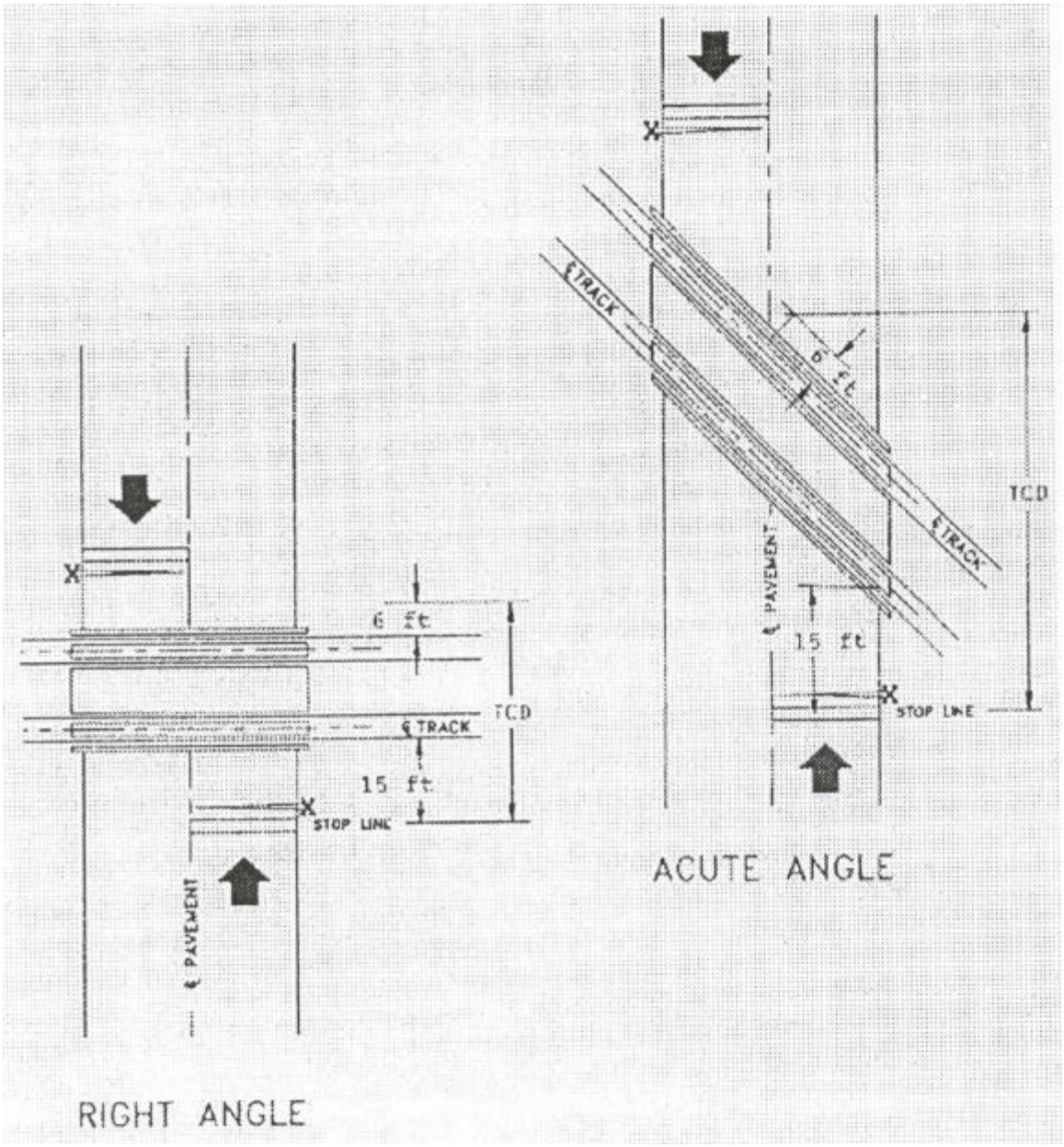


FIGURE 2 F-2

Illustration of Track Clearance Distance (TCD)

(SOURCE: NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY, TRAFFIC INSTITUTE, “TIMING OF TRAFFIC SIGNAL PREEMPTION AT INTERSECTIONS NEAR HIGHWAY-RAILROAD GRADE CROSSINGS”, PAPER, 2001 BY ROBERT K. SEYFRIED, PE, PTOE)

FIGURE 2F-3

LaDOTD TRAFFIC OPERATIONS AND ENGINEERING
FIELD OBSERVATION METHOD
RAILROAD PREEMPTION WORKSHEET

General Information

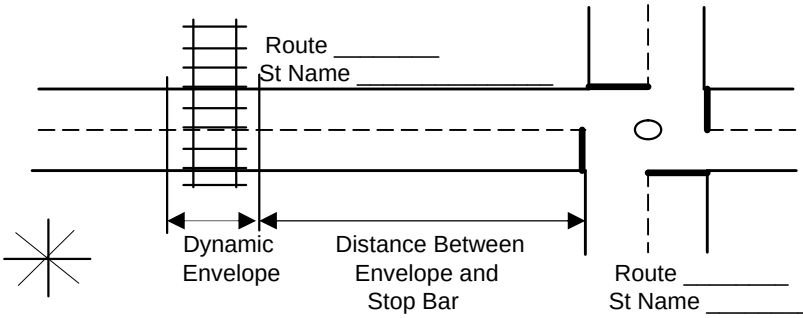
Analyst _____ Date _____

District _____ Time _____

Parish _____ Area Type: ___ rural, or ___ urban

TSI No. _____

Geometric Input



Railroad Co. _____
Mainline _____ or Spur _____
Number of Tracks _____
Dynamic Envelope _____ ft
Distance Between Envelope and Stop Bar _____ ft
Railroad Control: _____ Crossbucks
_____ Lights/Ground
_____ Lights/Truss
_____ Gates

Input Field Measurment

Cycle	Queue at start of Green				Last Vehicle in Envelope		
	Total Number of Vehicles	Number of Passanger Vehicles	Number of Single Unit Vehicles	Number of Tractor Trlr Vehicles	Is a Vehicle stopped in envelope?	N th Vehicle	Time to Clear Envelope
1					Yes No		
2					Yes No		
3					Yes No		
4					Yes No		
5					Yes No		
6					Yes No		
7					Yes No		
8					Yes No		
9					Yes No		
10					Yes No		
11					Yes No		
12					Yes No		
13					Yes No		
14					Yes No		
15					Yes No		
Maximum							
Minimum							
Average							

Glossary and Notes

Dynamic Envelope	= Typically 18 ft for 90 deg crossing, 6 ft track width plus 6 ft clearance on either side.
Single Unit Vehicles	= Delivery Trucks and Busses
Tractor Trlr	= Tractor Trailer Vehicles
N th Vehicle	= The last vehicle that stops for the signal and is in (or just before) the Dynamic Envelope.
Time to Clear	= Time from start of green until back of Nth Vehicle clears Dynamic Envelope.

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TABLE 2F-1

Traffic Signal Railroad Preemption Warning Time
(Use larger of total Traffic Signal Maximum Pre-emption Time or total Railroad Warning Time)

Traffic Signal Maximum Preemption Time			Railroad Warning Time	
AT (Adjustment Time)		____sec	AT (Adjustment Time)	____sec
Traffic Signal Equipment Delay		____sec	MWT (Min. Warning Time)	____sec
			CT (Clearance Time)	____sec
Time to End Conflicting Phase:			BT (Buffer Time)	____sec
Min. Ped. Walk and Clearance*[2]	____sec			
Min. Green*[3]	____sec			
Yellow Change	____sec			
Red Change	____sec			
Subtotal:		____sec		
Clear Track Intervals:				
Track Clearance	____sec			
Yellow Change*	____sec			
Red Change*	____sec			
Separation Time	____sec			
Subtotal:		____sec		
Total Traffic Signal Max. Preemp. Time:		**____sec**	**Total RR Warning Time:**	**____sec**

* - Yellow Change and Red Clearance intervals may be omitted from Clear Track Intervals time.

Notes:

1) If any time element is not used, enter 0 seconds.
2) MUTCD, Millennium edition allows ped walk and ped clearance to be omitted.
3) Min. green (on a conflicting phase) should be omitted.

SOURCE: NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY, TRAFFIC INSTITUTE, “TIMING OF TRAFFIC SIGNAL PREEMPTION AT INTERSECTIONS NEAR HIGHWAY’S – RAILROAD GRADE CROSSINGS”, PAPER 2001, BY ROBERT K. SEYFRIED, P.E., P.T.O.E.

G. EMERGENCY VEHICLE PREEMPTION – This is a special signal sequence which is activated upon the approach of an emergency vehicle displaying an active emergency signal emitter. The emergency preemption sequence is such that it reverts the intersection right-of-way to the direction of travel of the approaching emergency vehicle (see Figure 2G-1). The installation of an emergency vehicle preemption system on LADOTD signals shall only be done under permit when funded, installed and maintained by a local government. It shall be limited for fire department use only.

1.0 Justification – Emergency Vehicle Preemption should be included in any signal design that is in an area already using emergency vehicle preemption equipment.

2.0 System components for emergency vehicle preemption include:

2.1 Signal Equipment – When emergency vehicle preemption is recommended in signal plans, the following equipment should be specified:

- **Optical detector (Receiver Unit) -** span wire/mast arm mounted, line of sight, one detector per approach.
- **Phase selector (circuit card) –** two or four channel (one channel per detected approach needed)
- **Chassis unit (card rack) –** two or four channel (one channel per detected approach)
- **Detector Cable**

2.2 Emitter Unit (transmitter unit) vehicle mounted – Modulated Strobe Light.

3.0 Detector Placement

3.1 Mounting – Emergency vehicle preemption optical detectors are usually located on signal span wire or mast arms. Mast arms are preferred because of their more rigid mounting.

3.2 Sight Distance – Since these optical detectors operate "line-of-sight" it is important to aim them as far down an intersection approach as possible. A detector sight distance of 1,800 feet is desirable.[54] Where a nearby curve restricts detector sight distance, a second detector in advance of the intersection may be needed to "see" around the curve.

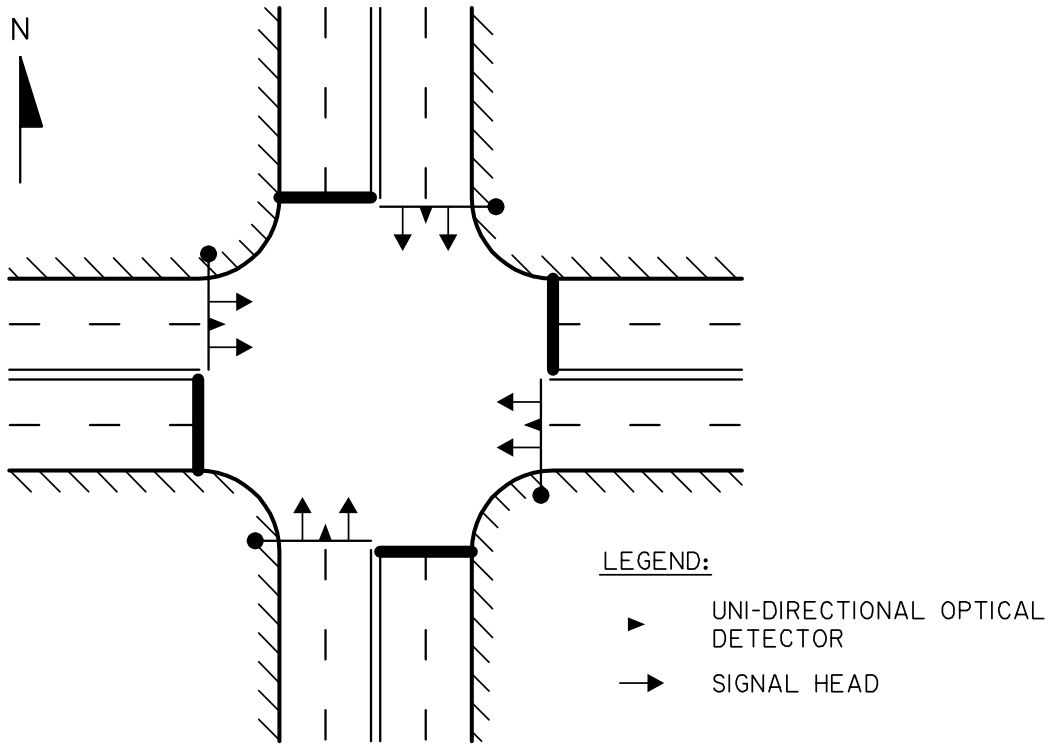
[54] Northwestern University, Traffic Institute, Traffic Signal Workshop Notebook, September 1994, Section 7, p. 2

3.3 Fire Station Locations

3.3.1 Signalized Entrances – Where traffic signals are located at a fire station entrance, an optical detector can be aimed into the truck bays from across the street to activate the emergency preemption sequence.

3.3.2 Unsignalized Entrances – At such locations where traffic from a nearby traffic signal frequently backs up in front of a fire station, an optical detector aimed into at the fire station's truck bays can be used to activate the emergency preemption sequence at the intersection to move the traffic blocking the fire station.

TYPICAL EMERGENCY VEHICLE PREEMPTION
SEQUENCE FOR 2 PHASE OPERATION



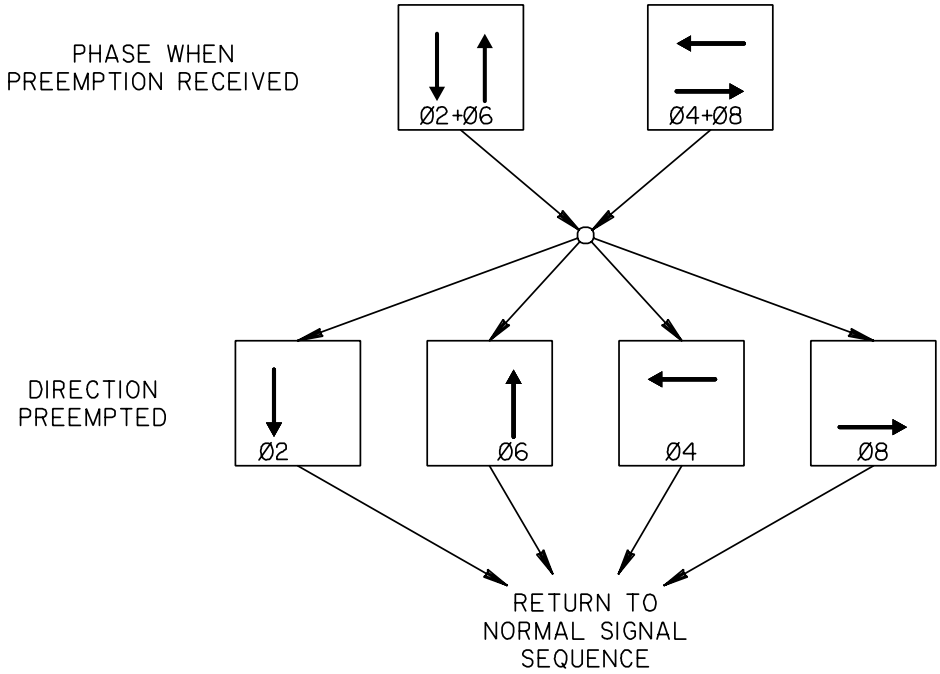


FIGURE 2G-1

H. PEDESTRIAN SIGNAL PHASE - This is a special signal sequence actuated by pedestrian push buttons to allow pedestrians to safely cross a street. Based on engineering judgment, the pedestrian signal phase may or may not have pedestrian signal heads.

1.0 Warrants – A pedestrian signal phase with pedestrian signal heads shall be installed when any of the following occur:[55]

1.1 When Signal Warrant 4, "Pedestrian Volume" is fulfilled.

1.2 When Signal Warrant 5, "School Crossing" is fulfilled.

1.3 Where there is an established school crossing at the proposed signal location.

1.4 Where pedestrians are present and multiphase signal operations (lead-lag left turns, split phasing, etc.) are used that could confuse the pedestrians.

2.0 Sequence

2.1 **Concurrent Movement – The most commonly used sequence is to move pedestrians** concurrent with parallel vehicular traffic. Care must be taken however not to move pedestrians during the display of a conflicting left turn or right turn arrow for the parallel vehicular traffic.

2.2 **Exclusive Movement –** This sequence moves pedestrians on a phase totally separate from any vehicular phase. When used, pedestrians cross all approaches simultaneously. This sequence should only be used where both pedestrian volumes and conflicting vehicular turning movement volumes are high.[56]

3.0 Timing

3.1 **Walk –** Where pedestrian phases are provided, walk timing provides the time necessary for a pedestrian to leave the curb to cross the street. Its minimum setting ranges from 4 to 7 seconds.[57] Where large groups of pedestrian cross, field observation should be used to see how long it takes the group to leave the curb.

3.2 **Pedestrian Clearance ("Flashing" Don't Walk) -** Where pedestrian phases are provided, the pedestrian clearance provides the time necessary for a pedestrian to cross the street from the curb line to the center of the farthest travel lane or to a median of sufficient width for pedestrians to wait. A

[55] MUTCD, Millennium Edition, 2001, Part 4, p. 4E - 2
[56] Traffic Engineering Handbook, 1999, p. 470
[57] MTUCD, Millennium Edition, 2001, Part 4, p. 4E - 13

walking speed of 4 feet per second is assumed. It is calculated using equation 2D-3 shown below from Section D, subsection 2.3 of this chapter.

$$\text{PED CLR} = \frac{W}{V_P}$$

Where: PED CLR = Pedestrian Clearance (sec.)
W = width of the street (curb line to center of farthest lane or to the median)(ft.)
V_P = pedestrian walking speed (4ft./sec.)

A portion of the pedestrian clearance interval can be timed simultaneously with the yellow and all red intervals of the concurrent vehicular phase.

3.3 **Signals without Pedestrian Actuation –** Where pedestrians are a consideration but pedestrian signals and push buttons are not provided, the minimum green for the concurrent parallel vehicular movement, must be at least equal to the sum of the calculated walk and pedestrian clearance for that crossing.

4.0 **Pedestrian Push Buttons**

4.1 **Undivided Roadways –** When pedestrian actuated phases are provided, pedestrians push buttons are to be provided on the appropriate corners with a push button for each crossing direction. Each push button is to be supplemented by sign R10-3a or R10-4a (See Figure 2H-1) as appropriate with an arrow pointing in the direction of the crossing. As defined in the MUTCD sign R10-3a is used where pedestrians are to cross using a green signal indication and sign R10-4a is used where pedestrians are to cross using a "Walk" signal indication.

4.2 **Divided Roadways –** On divided roadways both pedestrian push buttons and signals are also to be installed in the median area if the median is of sufficient width to safely store pedestrians, and if the amount of pedestrian clearance time provided is only sufficient to reach the median area. The median push button is to be supplemental with sign R10-4a with a double headed arrow.[58]

4.3 Semi-Actuated Locations – At locations that have detectors only on the minor street and pedestrians crossing the major street are a concern, pedestrian push buttons will be needed along with an adequate side street minimum green to assure a safe crossing of the major street.

[58] MUTCD, Millennium Edition, 2001, Part 4, p. 4E - 9

R10-3a

R10-4a

PEDESTRIAN PUSH BUTTON SIGNS
(SOURCE: MUTCD MILLENNIUM EDITION, PART 2)

FIGURE 2 H-1

I. SIGNS – Traffic control signs at or in advance of signalized intersections shall be installed as follows:

1.0 Spanwire/Mast Arm Mounted – Typical spanwire and mast arm mounted sign arrangements are shown for four way intersections in Figure 2I-1 through 2I-11 and for "T" intersections in Figures 2I-12 through 2I-15. These figures do not cover every situation, but only the more commonly occurring situations. Where overhead signs are installed they shall have a minimum of 17.5 feet vertical clearance over the roadway.

1.1 Left Turn Signal Signs (R10-10, R10-12)

1.1.1 "Left Turn Signal" Sign (R10-10) - This sign is normally installed with a protected only left turn, adjacent and to the left of the left turn signal head as shown in Figures 2I-5, 2I-8 and 2I-11. Additionally this sign is installed to the left of each left turn signal in a dual left turn situation as shown in Figure 2I-10.

1.1.2 "Left Turn Yield on Green" Signs (R10-12) – This sign is normally installed with a protected – permitted left turn adjacent and to the left of the left turn signal head as shown in Figures 2I-3, 2I-4, 2I-6, 2I-7, and 2I-9.

1.2 Lane Control Signs (Signs R3-5 thru R3-6a) – Lane control signs should be installed over the lanes to which they apply as follows:

1.2.1 Double Turn Lanes – Where double turning movements are specified from two lanes. (See Figures 2I-10 and 2I-15).

1.2.2 Shared Lanes - For two or more movements from a specific lane where a movement, not normally allowed, is permitted (Sign R3-6a) (See Figure 2I-14).

1.2.3 T – Intersections – When the stem of the "T" at a "T" type intersection is a multi-lane approach, all lane movement should be designated. (See Figure 2I-13 thru 2I-15)

1.3 Turn Prohibition Signs (Signs R3-1, R3-2, R3-4, R10-5, R10-11a)

1.3.1 No Right Turn (pictorial) Sign (R3-1) - Where needed, it should be installed to the right of the right most signal head on the approach. Typical applications are as follows:

- **Diamond Interchanges -** At signalized diamond interchanges where the off ramp intersects from the right.

- **One Way Streets -** At the signalized intersection of a one way side street where the one way operation is from right to left.

1.3.2 No Left Turn (pictorial) signs (R3-2) – Where needed, it should be installed to the left of the left most signal head on the approach. Typical applications are as follows:

- **Diamond Interchanges -** At a signalized diamond interchange where the off ramp intersects from the left.

- **One Way Streets -** At the signalized intersection of a one way side street where the direction of one way operation is from left to right.

1.3.3 No U Turn (pictorial) Sign (R3-4) – Where needed, this sign should be ground mounted or bracket mounted to a signal pole in a median area. Where medians are not present, the sign may be installed overhead to the left of the left most signal head on the approach. Typical applications are as follows:

- **Conflict -** Where the U turn movement conflicts with an overlapping side street right turn movement protected by a right turn arrow.

- **Accidents -** Where there is more than three accidents in a twelve month period involving U Turning vehicles and side street right turning traffic.

- **Limited Area -** Where there is insufficient room to make a U – Turn.

1.3.4 "Right On Green Arrow Only" Sign (R10-5R) – Where needed, it should be installed adjacent and to the right of the right turn signal head (see figure 2I-13). It is used where it is unsafe to turn right except when protected by the green arrow display.

1.3.5 "No Turn on Red" (R10-11a) - Where needed it is installed to the right of the right most signal head. (See Figure 2I-1 thru 2I-7, 2I-10 thru 2I-15). Typical application are as follows:

- **Sight Distance -** Where sight distance to the left is insufficient.

- **Service Roads -** Where there is an adjacent parallel service road to the right.

- **Pedestrian Phase -** Where there is an exclusive pedestrian signal phase.

- **Accidents -** Where there are 3 or more right turns on red accidents in a 12 month period.

- **Dual Left Turn -** When facing an opposing dual left turn.

1.4 Street Name Signs (D3) – Where used, street name signs should be placed on diagonally opposite corners and be on the far right side with respect to motorists on the major street. They shall have white letters on a green background.[59]

- **Strain poles/mast arm poles –** Where used, street name signs are typically bracket mounted to strain poles or mast arm poles. The letter size for these signs are 6" for upper case and 4 ¾" for lower case letters.

- **Mast Arms –** To optimize visibility, street name signs can be installed overhead on mast arms when space is available. The letter size for these signs are 8" for upper case and 6 ¾" for lower case letters.

- **Spanwire –** Street name signs are not allowed on signal spanwires.

- **Advance Street Name Sign (W16-8) –** A supplemental street name sign may be installed directly under a Signal Ahead Warning Sign (W3-3). If so mounted, the street name sign will have black letters on a yellow background.[60]

1.5 Blank Out Signs – These are internally illuminated signs that are blanked out (show no message) when not illuminated. They are typically used when a turn prohibition is in effect only at certain times of the day. An application of blank out signs is where a signal has a railroad pre emption sequence and left and right turns towards the tracks are prohibited once an approaching train is detected. In this turn prohibition application they would be located to the right of the right most signal if the right turn is prohibited, and to the left of the left turn signal if the left turn is prohibited.

2.0 Ground Mounted Signs – Ground mounted signs to be used at or in advance of signalized intersections are as follows:

[59] MUTCD, Millennium Edition, 2001, Part 2, p. 2D - 31
[60] MUTCD, Millennium Edition, 2001, Part 2, p. 2D - 31

2.1 "T" – Treatment" – Where engineering judgment indicates that a signalized T – intersection needs additional warning as to the intersection geometry, the "T – Treatment" signing shown in Figure 2I-16 should be installed. Conditions possibly justifying such an installation include but are not limited to:

- **Speed -** High speed, rural intersections
- **Lighting -** Poorly lit intersections
- **Hazards -** Intersections with hazards such as canals or bayous at the top of the "T".

2.2 Turn Lane Supplemental Signing – Where separate turn lanes exist that are in excess of 200 ft. in length and where turning movement traffic frequently fills these lanes to capacity, the R3-7 signs, "Left (Right) Lane Must Turn Left (Right)" should be installed at the beginning of the turn lane. These signs are intended to supplement the mandatory movement lane control overhead sign at the intersection.

2.3 Signal Ahead Sign (W3-3) – The installation of this sign is appropriate under the following conditions:

- **Signal Visibility –** Where visibility of the traffic signal on any approach is less than the distances shown in Table 2I-1. An advance signal ahead sign (W3-3) shall be installed on the approach at a distance back from the intersection shown in Table 2I-2.
- **Speed -** On high speed rural approaches, approaching the first signal in an urbanized area the W3-3 may be justified.
- In other situations where engineering judgment reveals the need for the Signal Ahead Sign.

2.4 Street Name Signs (D3) – Street name signs installed on their own post are the responsibility of the local community or parish.

3.0 Sign Size – Traffic control signs use at LA DOTD signalized intersections shall be of the size specified in the MUTCD. The unit measurement for these signs as shown in signal plans shall be in square feet of sign face. Table 2I-3 gives the areas of the most common sign sizes.

4.0 Internally Illuminated Signs – Internally illuminated signs are generally not used at LA DOTD signalized intersections. Where used they shall include only traffic control signs that are mast arm mounted.

5.0 LA DOTD SIGN TYPES – LA DOTD signs are classified by type as follows:

Type A – Small size, single post mounted

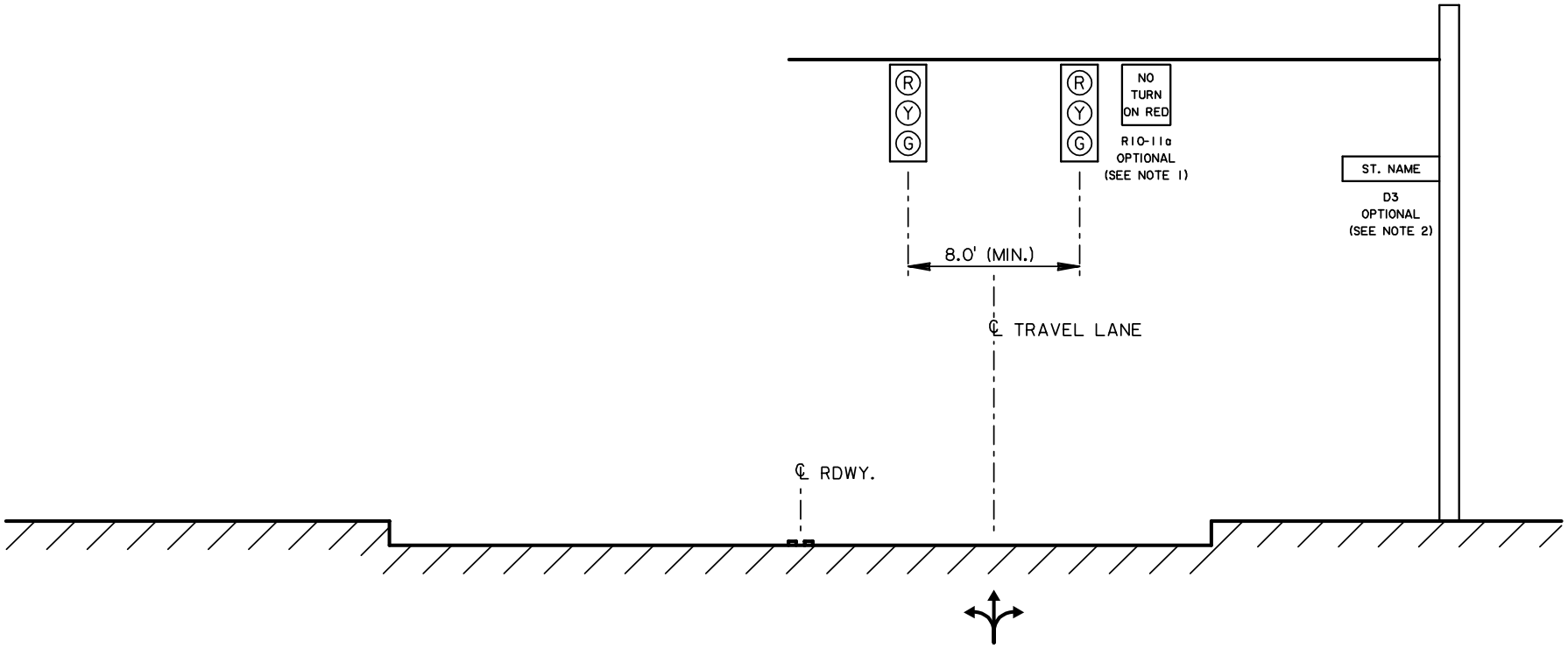
Type B – Cluster assembly of type A signs

Type C – Fold down signs

Type D – Large rectangular signs that are ground mounted with multiple posts

Type E – Large overhead signs that are cantilever, truss or facia mounted

TYPICAL SIGN/SIGNAL ARRANGEMENTS
SPANWIRE/MAST ARM MOUNTED
4 - WAY INTERSECTION



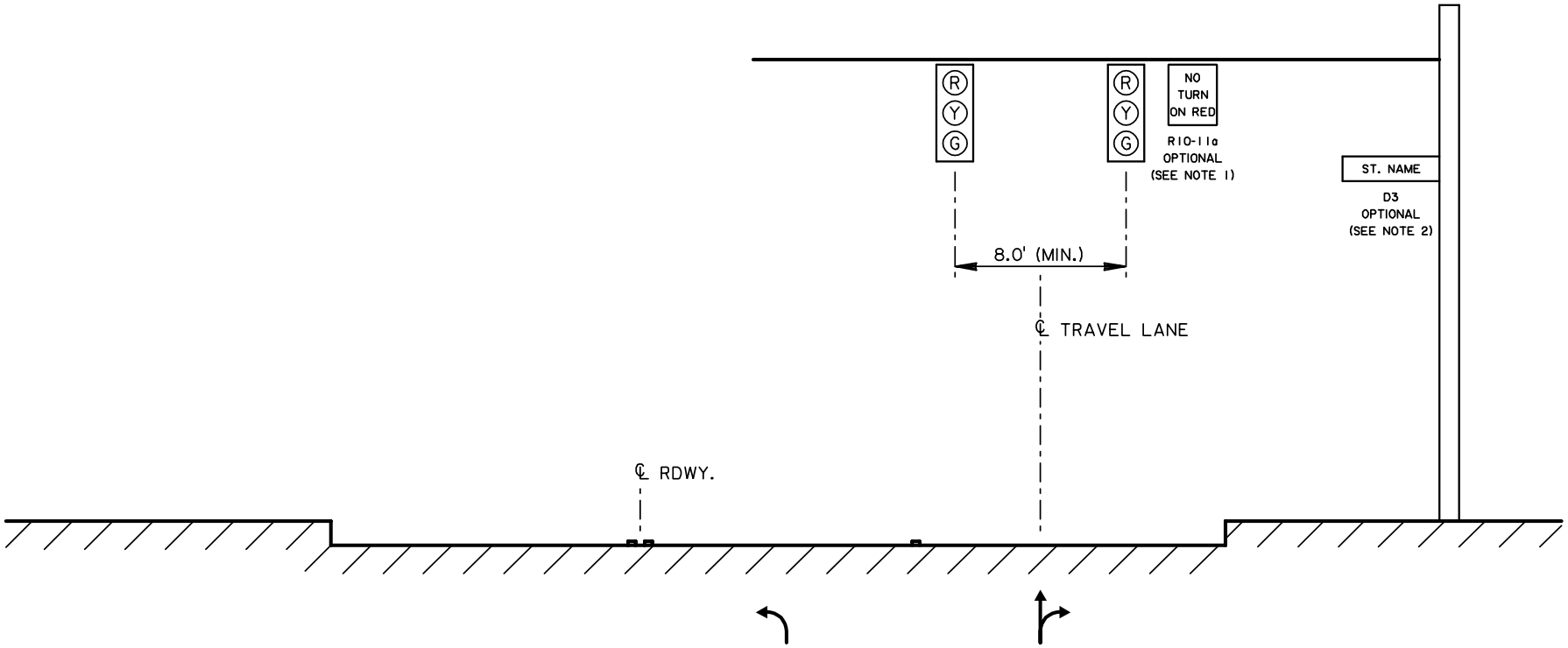
ONE LANE APPROACH

NOTES:

1. THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS MAY JUSTIFY SIGN R10-11a: 1) SIGHT DISTANCE TO THE LEFT IS LIMITED, OR 2) WHERE THERE IS AN ADJACENT PARALLEL SERVICE ROAD TO THE RIGHT, OR 3) WHERE THERE IS AN EXCLUSIVE PEDESTRIAN PHASE, OR 4) THERE ARE A SIGNIFICANT NUMBER OF RIGHT TURN ON RED ACCIDENTS IN A 12 MONTH PERIOD.
2. STREET NAME SIGN ALSO ALLOWED ON MAST ARMS IF SPACE AVAILABLE, BUT NOT ON SIGNAL SPANWIRE.

FIGURE 2I-1

TYPICAL SIGN/SIGNAL ARRANGEMENTS
SPANWIRE/MAST ARM MOUNTED
4 - WAY INTERSECTION



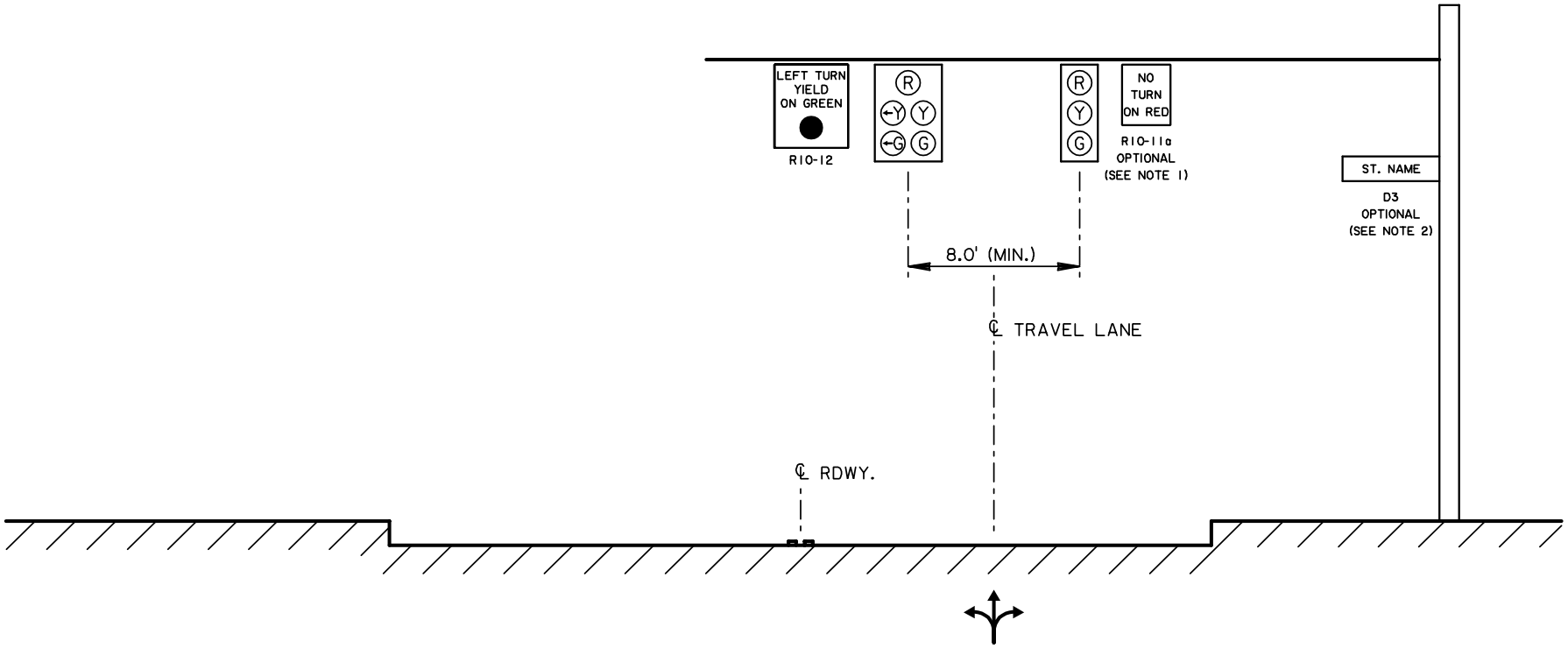
ONE LANE APPROACH
(W/SEPARATE LT. TURN LANE)

NOTES:

1. THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS MAY JUSTIFY SIGN R10-11a: 1) SIGHT DISTANCE TO THE LEFT IS LIMITED, OR 2) WHERE THERE IS AN ADJACENT PARALLEL SERVICE ROAD TO THE RIGHT, OR 3) WHERE THERE IS AN EXCLUSIVE PEDESTRIAN PHASE, OR 4) THERE ARE A SIGNIFICANT NUMBER OF RIGHT TURN ON RED ACCIDENTS IN A 12 MONTH PERIOD.
2. STREET NAME SIGN ALSO ALLOWED ON MAST ARMS IF SPACE AVAILABLE, BUT NOT ON SIGNAL SPANWIRE.

FIGURE 2I-2

TYPICAL SIGN/SIGNAL ARRANGEMENTS
SPANWIRE/MAST ARM MOUNTED
4 - WAY INTERSECTION



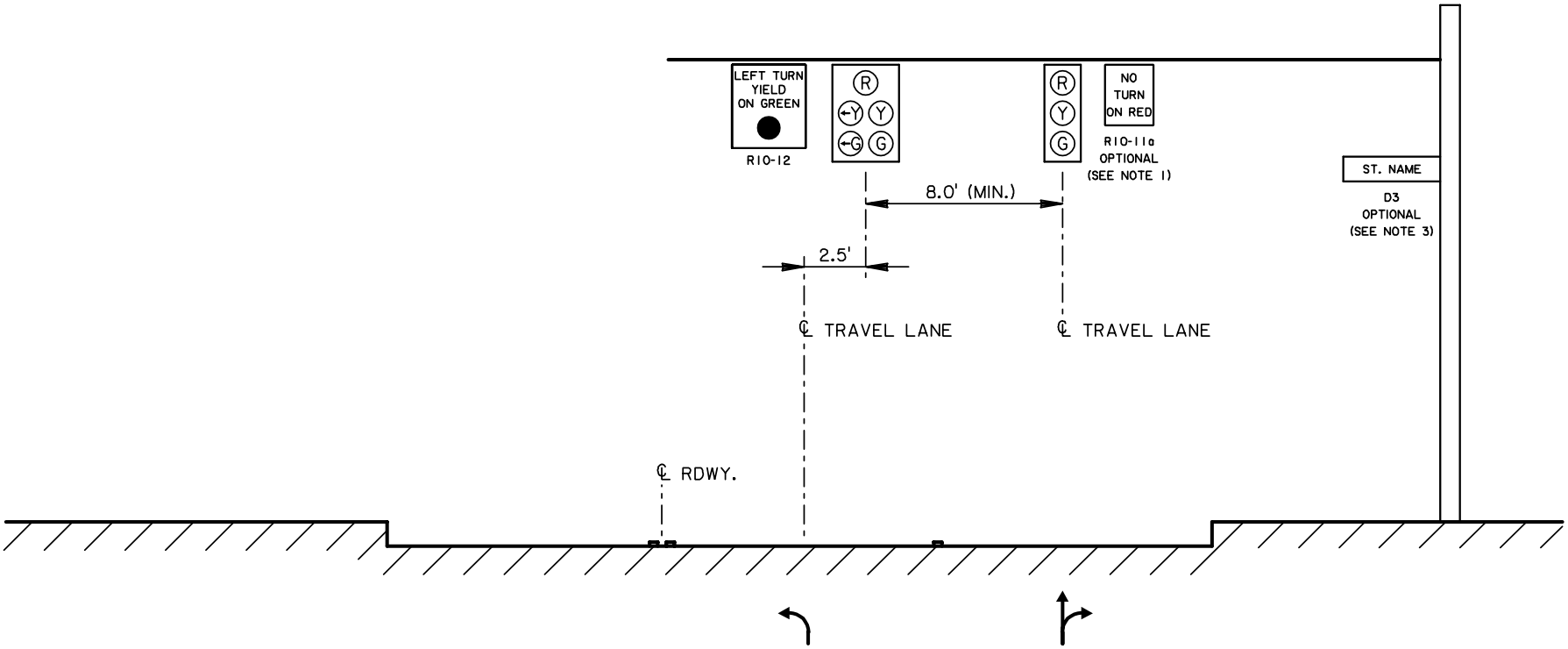
ONE LANE APPROACH
(PROTECTED/PERMITTED LEFT TURN)

NOTES:

1. THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS MAY JUSTIFY SIGN R10-11a: 1) SIGHT DISTANCE TO THE LEFT IS LIMITED, OR 2) WHERE THERE IS AN ADJACENT PARALLEL SERVICE ROAD TO THE RIGHT, OR 3) WHERE THERE IS AN EXCLUSIVE PEDESTRIAN PHASE, OR 4) THERE ARE A SIGNIFICANT NUMBER OF RIGHT TURN ON RED ACCIDENTS IN A 12 MONTH PERIOD.
2. STREET NAME SIGN ALSO ALLOWED ON MAST ARMS IF SPACE AVAILABLE, BUT NOT ON SIGNAL SPANWIRE.

FIGURE 2I-3

TYPICAL SIGN/SIGNAL ARRANGEMENTS
SPANWIRE/MAST ARM MOUNTED
4 - WAY INTERSECTION



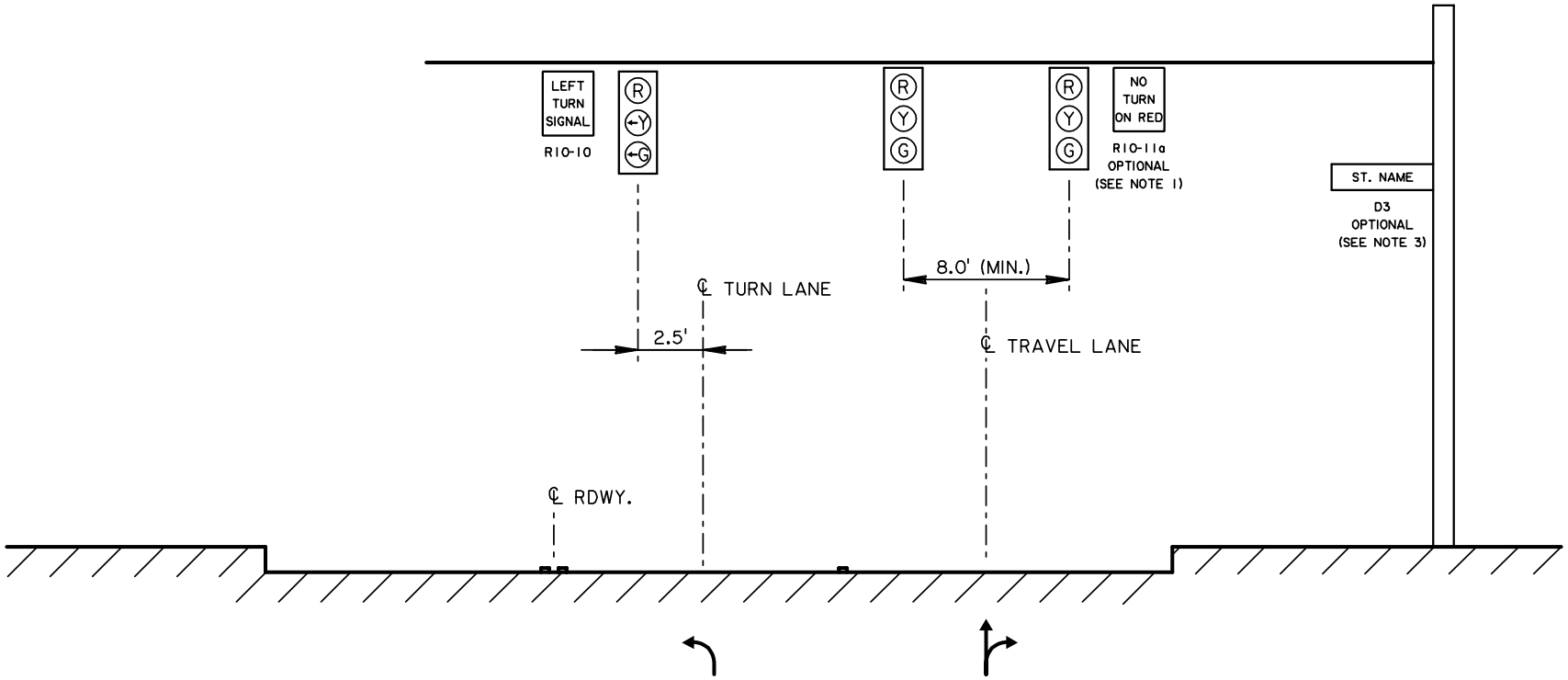
ONE LANE APPROACH
(W/SEPARATE LEFT TURN LANE)
PROTECTED/PERMITTED LEFT TURN

NOTES:

1. THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS MAY JUSTIFY SIGN R10-11a: 1) SIGHT DISTANCE TO THE LEFT IS LIMITED, OR 2) WHERE THERE IS AN ADJACENT PARALLEL SERVICE ROAD TO THE RIGHT, OR 3) WHERE THERE IS AN EXCLUSIVE PEDESTRIAN PHASE, OR 4) THERE ARE A SIGNIFICANT NUMBER OF RIGHT TURN ON RED ACCIDENTS IN A 12 MONTH PERIOD.
2. STREET NAME SIGN ALSO ALLOWED ON MAST ARMS IF SPACE AVAILABLE, BUT NOT ON SIGNAL SPANWIRE.

FIGURE 2I-4

TYPICAL SIGN/SIGNAL ARRANGEMENTS
SPANWIRE/MAST ARM MOUNTED
4 - WAY INTERSECTION



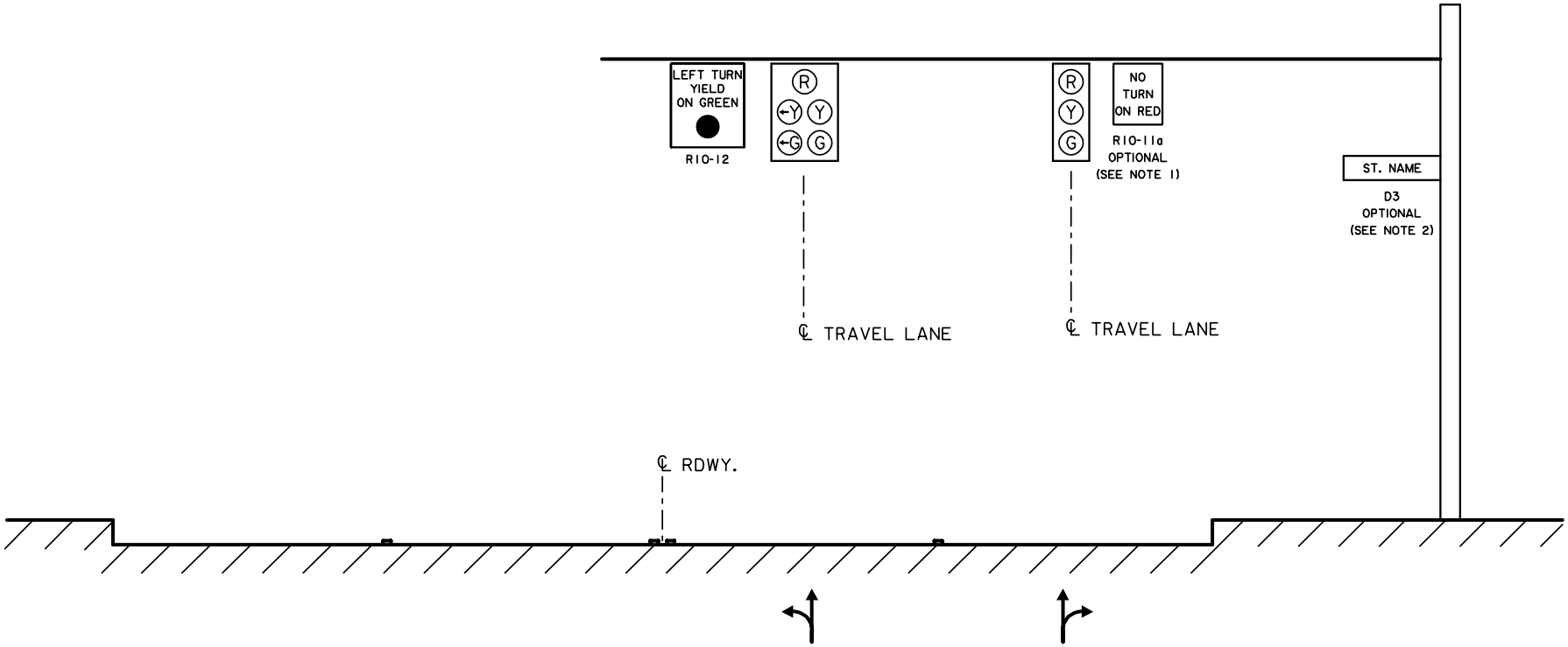
ONE LANE APPROACH
(W/SEPARATE LEFT TURN LANE)
PROTECTED ONLY LEFT TURN

NOTES:

1. THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS MAY JUSTIFY SIGN R10-11a: 1) SIGHT DISTANCE TO THE LEFT IS LIMITED, OR 2) WHERE THERE IS AN ADJACENT PARALLEL SERVICE ROAD TO THE RIGHT, OR 3) WHERE THERE IS AN EXCLUSIVE PEDESTRIAN PHASE, OR 4) THERE ARE A SIGNIFICANT NUMBER OF RIGHT TURN ON RED ACCIDENTS IN A 12 MONTH PERIOD.
2. STREET NAME SIGN ALSO ALLOWED ON MAST ARMS IF SPACE AVAILABLE, BUT NOT ON SIGNAL SPANWIRE.

FIGURE 2I-5

TYPICAL SIGN/SIGNAL ARRANGEMENTS
SPANWIRE/MAST ARM MOUNTED
4 - WAY INTERSECTION



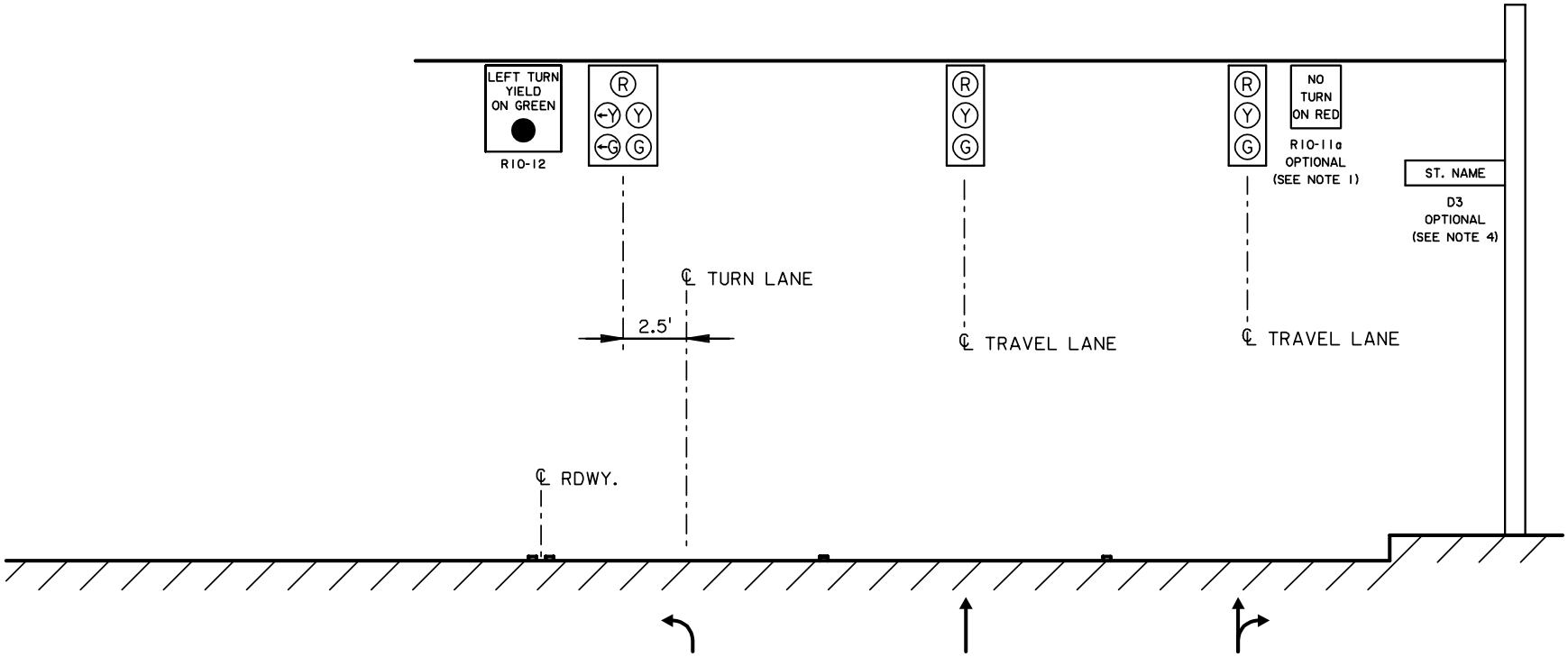
TWO LANE APPROACH
PROTECTED/PERMITTED LEFT TURN

NOTES:

1. THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS MAY JUSTIFY SIGN R10-11a: 1) SIGHT DISTANCE TO THE LEFT IS LIMITED, OR 2) WHERE THERE IS AN ADJACENT PARALLEL SERVICE ROAD TO THE RIGHT, OR 3) WHERE THERE IS AN EXCLUSIVE PEDESTRIAN PHASE, OR 4) THERE ARE A SIGNIFICANT NUMBER OF RIGHT TURN ON RED ACCIDENTS IN A 12 MONTH PERIOD.
2. STREET NAME SIGN ALSO ALLOWED ON MAST ARMS IF SPACE AVAILABLE, BUT NOT ON SIGNAL SPANWIRE.

FIGURE 2I-6

TYPICAL SIGN/SIGNAL ARRANGEMENTS
SPANWIRE/MAST ARM MOUNTED
4 - WAY INTERSECTION



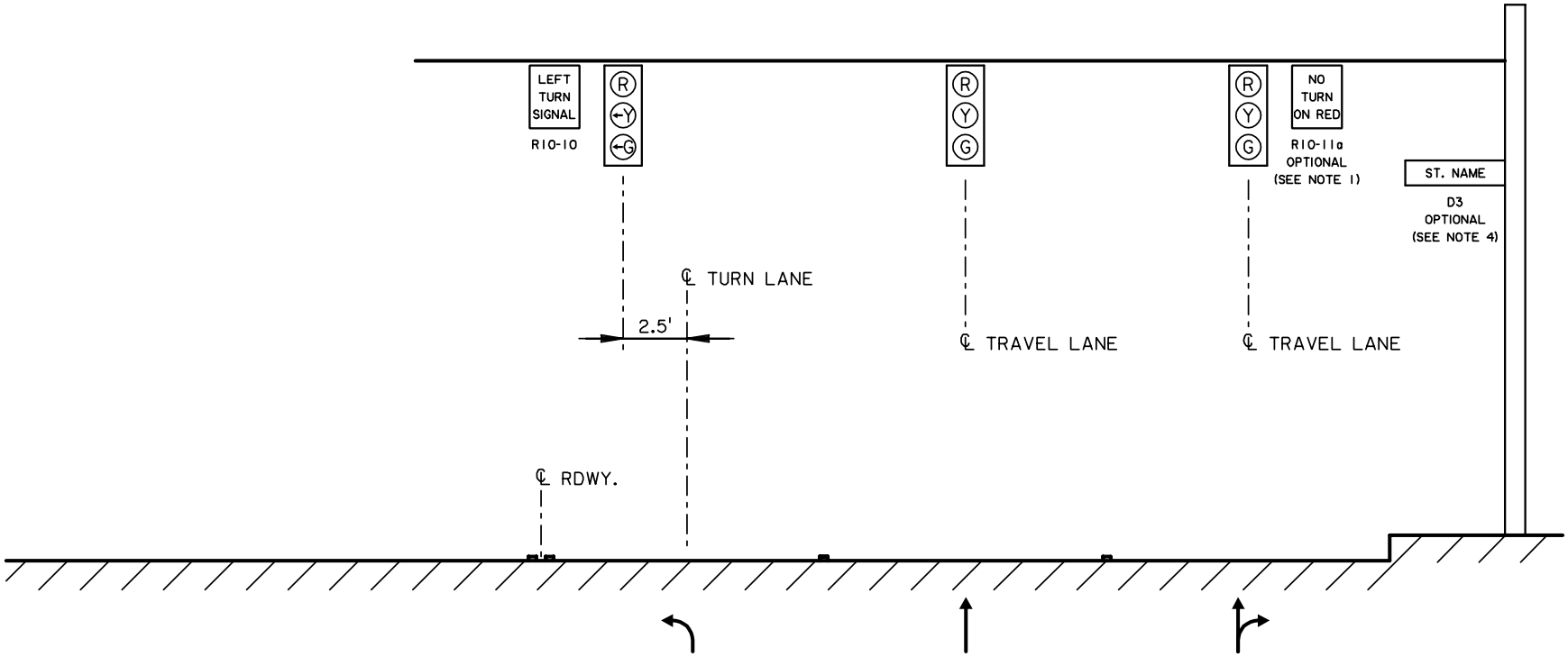
TWO LANE APPROACH
(W/SEPARATE LEFT TURN LANE)
PROTECTED/PERMITTED LEFT TURN

NOTES:

1. THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS MAY JUSTIFY SIGN R10-11a: 1) SIGHT DISTANCE TO THE LEFT IS LIMITED, OR 2) WHERE THERE IS AN ADJACENT PARALLEL SERVICE ROAD TO THE RIGHT, OR 3) WHERE THERE IS AN EXCLUSIVE PEDESTRIAN PHASE, OR 4) THERE ARE A SIGNIFICANT NUMBER OF RIGHT TURN ON RED ACCIDENTS IN A 12 MONTH PERIOD.
2. STREET NAME SIGN ALSO ALLOWED ON MAST ARMS IF SPACE AVAILABLE, BUT NOT ON SIGNAL SPANWIRE.

FIGURE 2I-7

TYPICAL SIGN/SIGNAL ARRANGEMENTS
SPANWIRE/MAST ARM MOUNTED
4 - WAY INTERSECTION



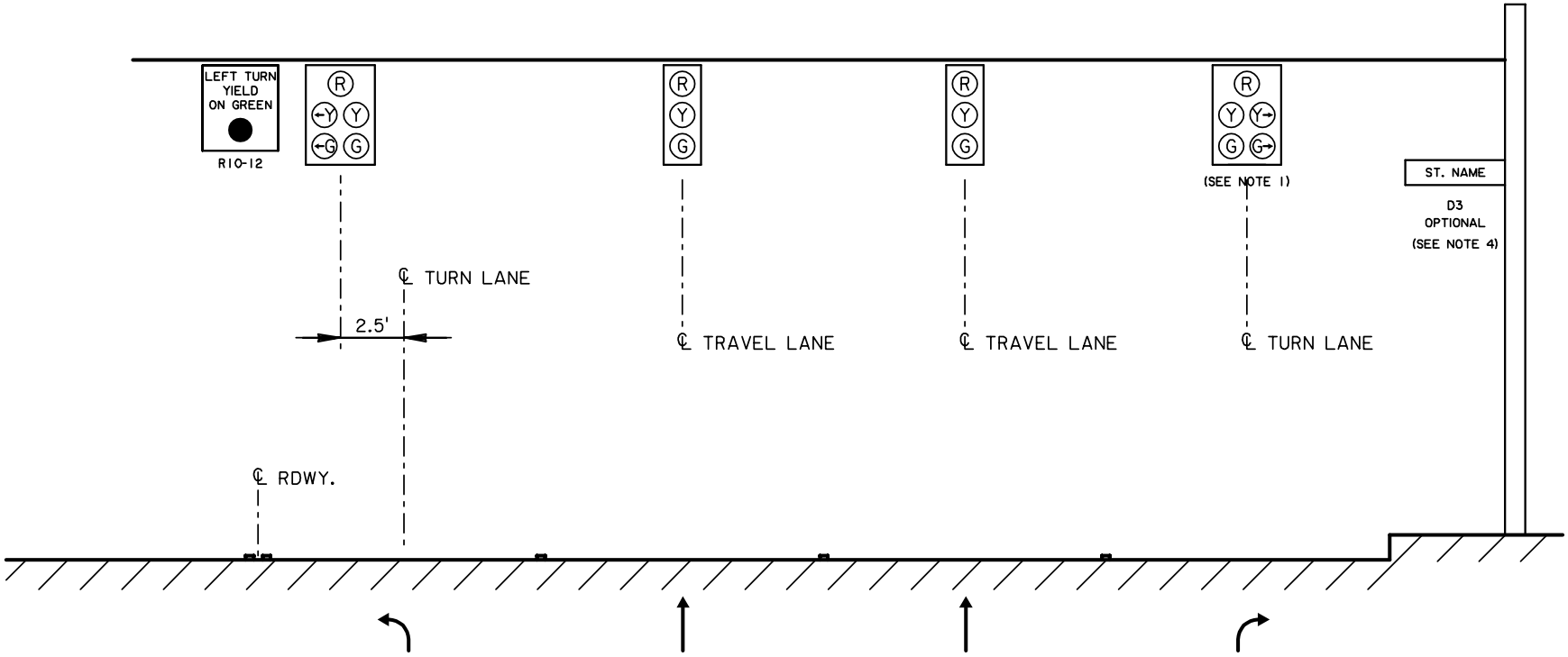
TWO LANE APPROACH
(W/SEPARATE LEFT TURN LANE)
PROTECTED ONLY LEFT TURN

NOTES:

1. THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS MAY JUSTIFY SIGN R10-11a: 1) SIGHT DISTANCE TO THE LEFT IS LIMITED, OR 2) WHERE THERE IS AN ADJACENT PARALLEL SERVICE ROAD TO THE RIGHT, OR 3) WHERE THERE IS AN EXCLUSIVE PEDESTRIAN PHASE, OR 4) THERE ARE A SIGNIFICANT NUMBER OF RIGHT TURN ON RED ACCIDENTS IN A 12 MONTH PERIOD.
2. STREET NAME SIGN ALSO ALLOWED ON MAST ARMS IF SPACE AVAILABLE, BUT NOT ON SIGNAL SPANWIRE.

FIGURE 2I-8

TYPICAL SIGN/SIGNAL ARRANGEMENTS
SPANWIRE/MAST ARM MOUNTED
4 - WAY INTERSECTION



TWO LANE APPROACH
(W/SEPARATE LEFT TURN & RIGHT TURN LANES)
PROTECTED/PERMITTED LEFT TURN
RIGHT TURN OVERLAP

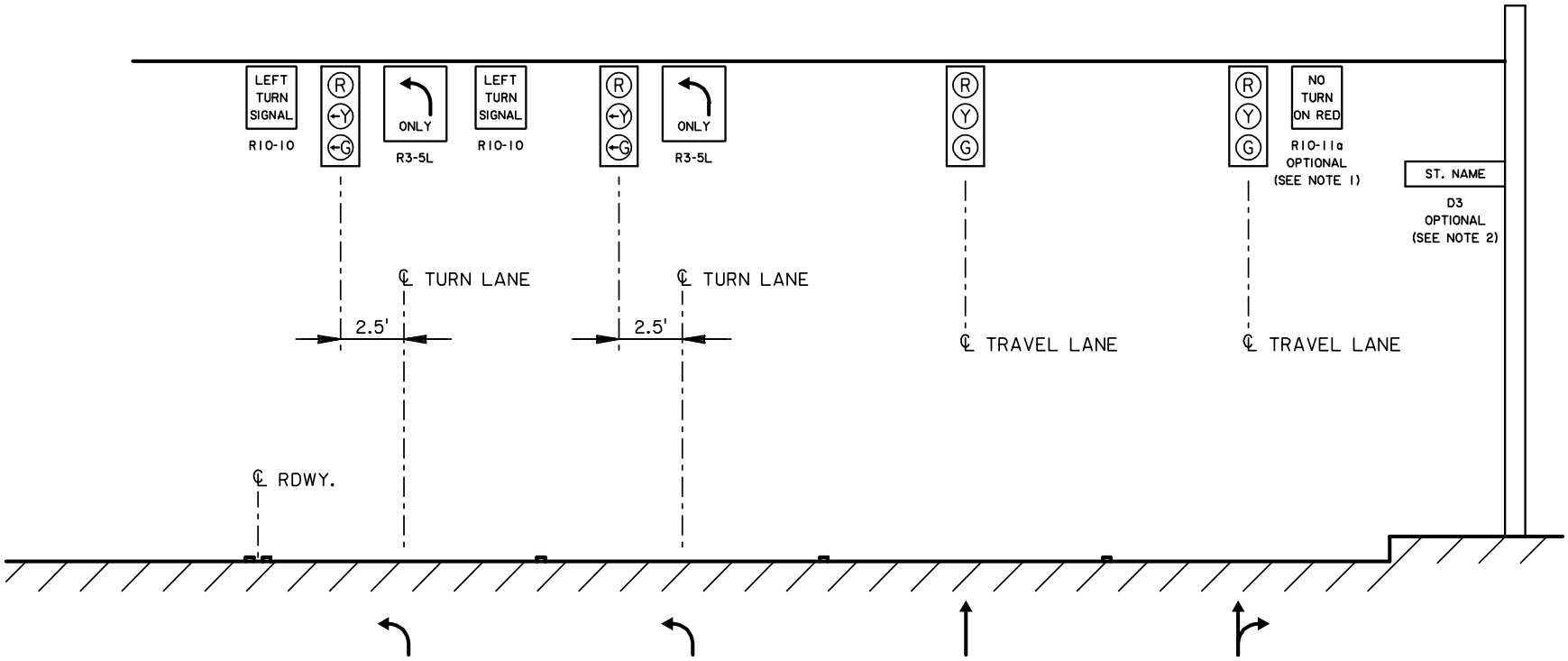
NOTES:

1. THIS HEAD TO BE USED WHEN THERE IS A RIGHT TURN OVERLAP.

2. STREET NAME SIGN ALSO ALLOWED ON MAST ARMS IF SPACE AVAILABLE, BUT NOT ON SIGNAL SPANWIRE.

FIGURE 2I-9

TYPICAL SIGN/SIGNAL ARRANGEMENTS
SPANWIRE/MAST ARM MOUNTED
4 - WAY INTERSECTION



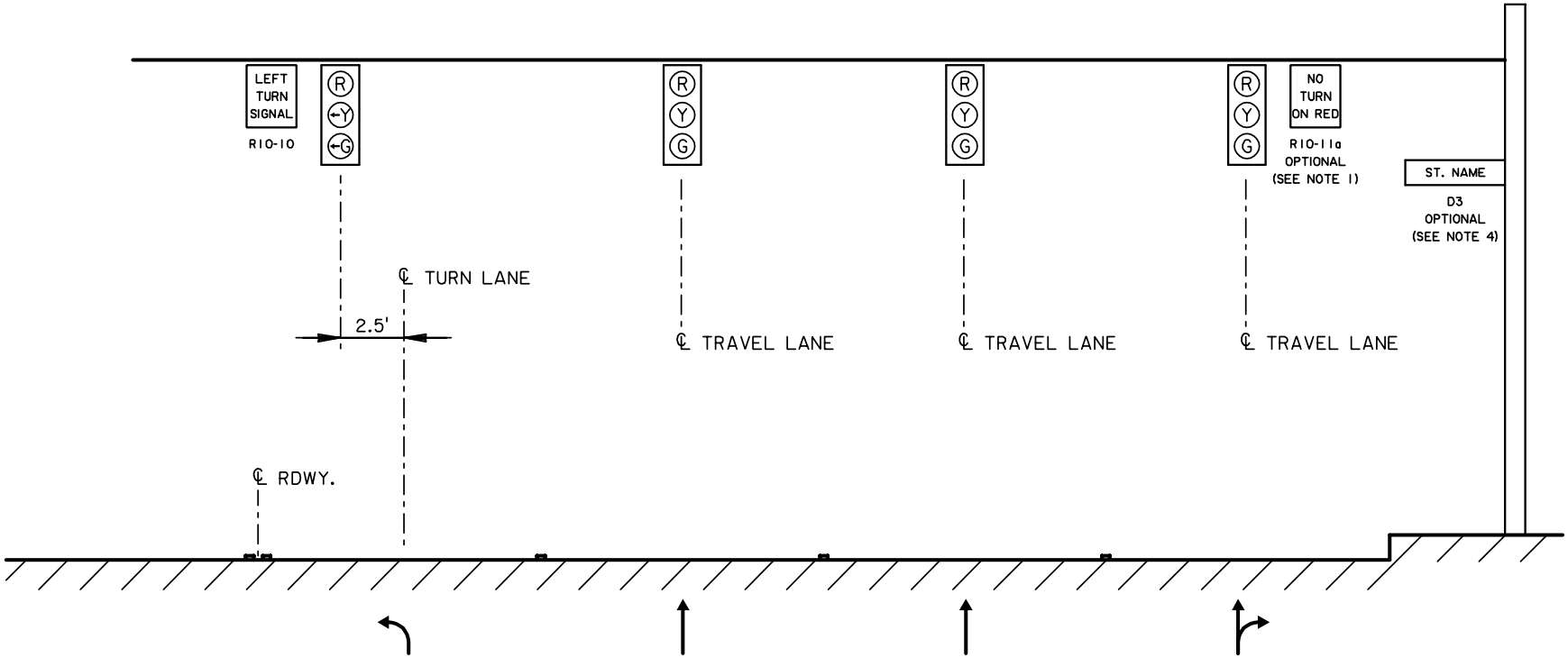
TWO LANE APPROACH
(W/SEPARATE DUAL LEFT TURN LANES)
PROTECTED ONLY DUAL LEFT TURNS

NOTE:

1. THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS MAY JUSTIFY SIGN R10-11a: 1) SIGHT DISTANCE TO THE LEFT IS LIMITED, OR 2) WHERE THERE IS AN ADJACENT PARALLEL SERVICE ROAD TO THE RIGHT, OR 3) WHERE THERE IS AN EXCLUSIVE PEDESTRIAN PHASE, OR 4) THERE ARE A SIGNIFICANT NUMBER OF RIGHT TURN ON RED ACCIDENTS IN A 12 MONTH PERIOD.
2. STREET NAME SIGN ALSO ALLOWED ON MAST ARMS IF SPACE AVAILABLE, BUT NOT ON SIGNAL SPANWIRE.

FIGURE 2I-10

TYPICAL SIGN/SIGNAL ARRANGEMENTS
SPANWIRE/MAST ARM MOUNTED
4 - WAY INTERSECTION



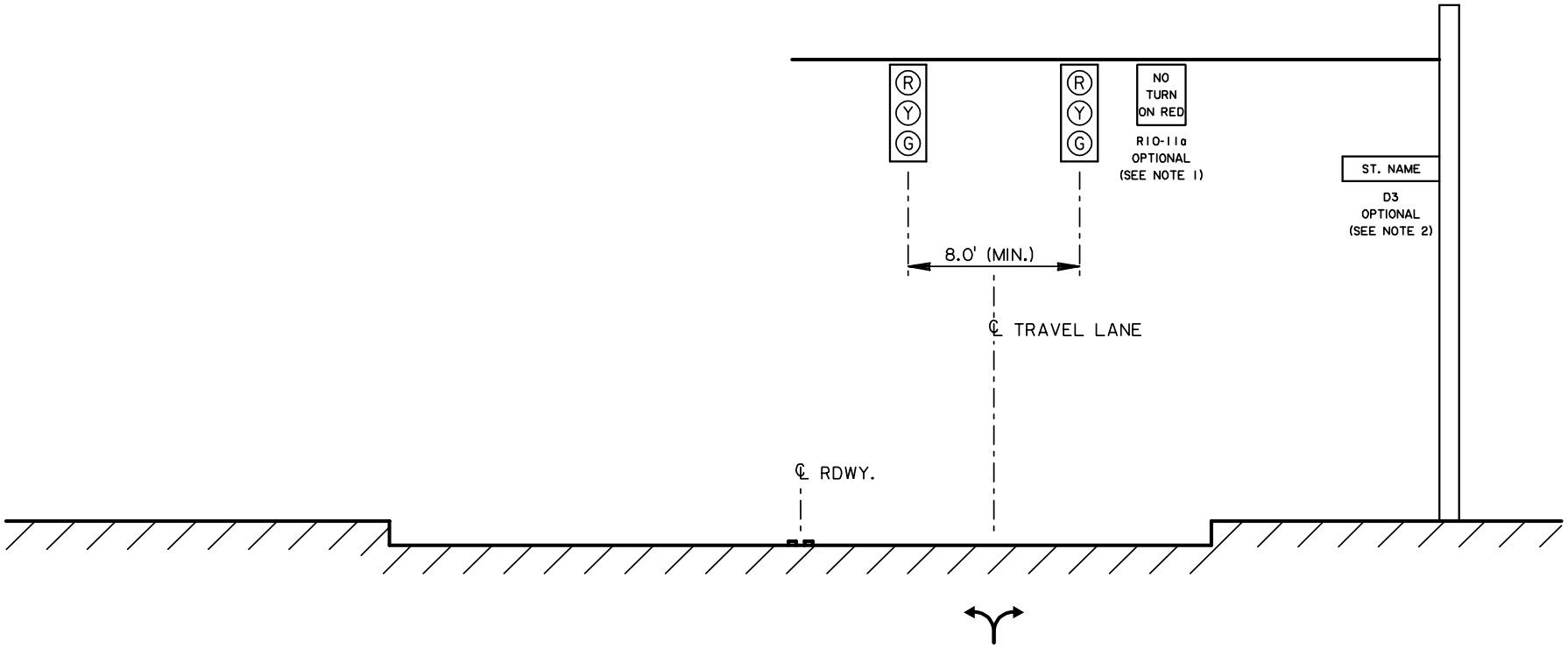
THREE LANE APPROACH
(W/SEPARATE LEFT TURN LANE)
PROTECTED ONLY LEFT TURN

NOTE:

1. THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS MAY JUSTIFY SIGN R10-11a: 1) SIGHT DISTANCE TO THE LEFT IS LIMITED, OR 2) WHERE THERE IS AN ADJACENT PARALLEL SERVICE ROAD TO THE RIGHT, OR 3) WHERE THERE IS AN EXCLUSIVE PEDESTRIAN PHASE, OR 4) THERE ARE A SIGNIFICANT NUMBER OF RIGHT TURN ON RED ACCIDENTS IN A 12 MONTH PERIOD.
2. STREET NAME SIGN ALSO ALLOWED ON MAST ARMS IF SPACE AVAILABLE, BUT NOT ON SIGNAL SPANWIRE.

FIGURE 2I-11

TYPICAL SIGN/SIGNAL ARRANGEMENTS
SPANWIRE/MAST ARM MOUNTED
T-INTERSECTION (TOP OF THE "T")



ONE LANE APPROACH

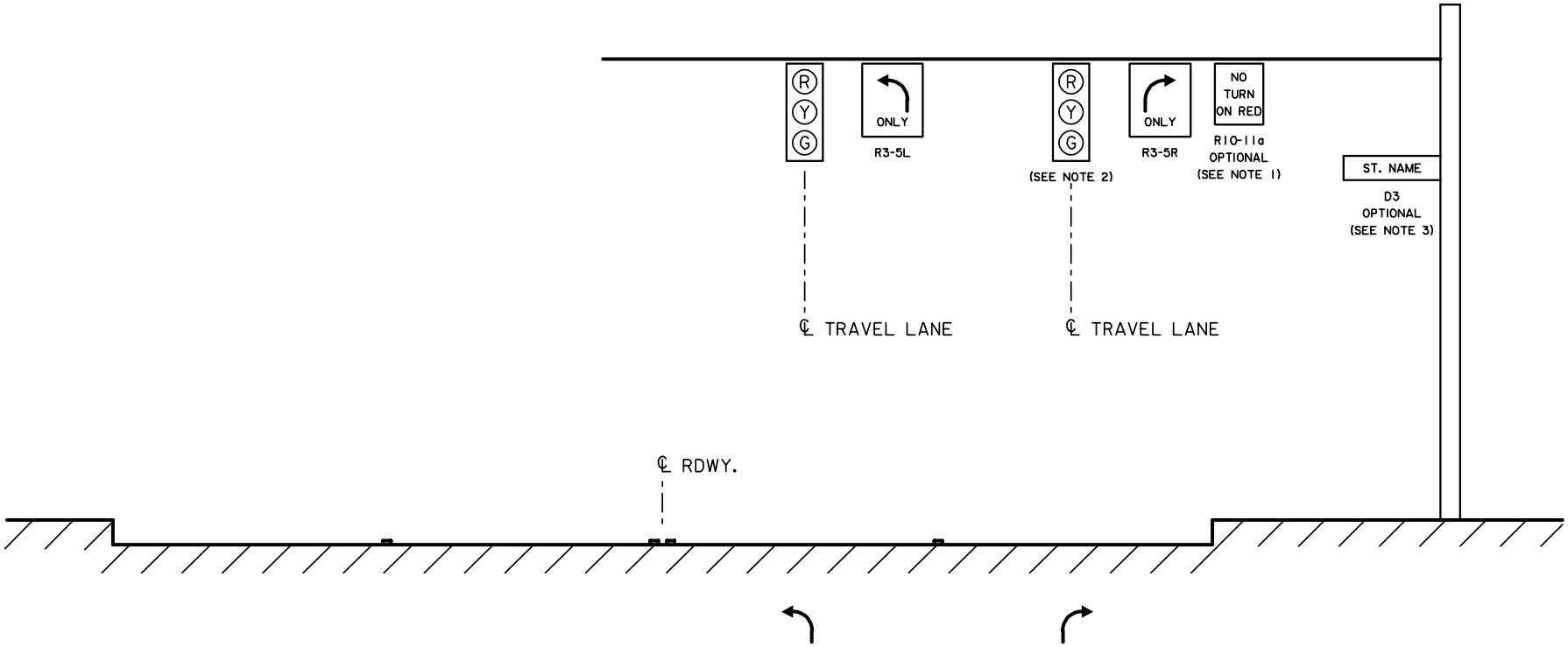
NOTES:

1. USED WHERE: 1) SIGHT DISTANCE TO THE LEFT IS INADEQUATE, OR 2) WHERE THERE IS AN EXCLUSIVE PEDESTRIAN PHASE, OR 3) WHERE THERE IS A SIGNIFICANT NUMBER OF RIGHT TURN ON RED ACCIDENTS IN A 12-MONTH PERIOD.

2. STREET NAME SIGN ALSO ALLOWED ON MAST ARMS IF SPACE AVAILABLE, BUT NOT ALLOWED ON SPANWIRES.

FIGURE 2I-12

TYPICAL SIGN/SIGNAL ARRANGEMENTS
SPANWIRE/MAST ARM MOUNTED
T-INTERSECTION (TOP OF THE "T")



TWO LANE APPROACH
(SEPARATE TURN LANES)
NO RIGHT TURN OVERLAP

NOTES:

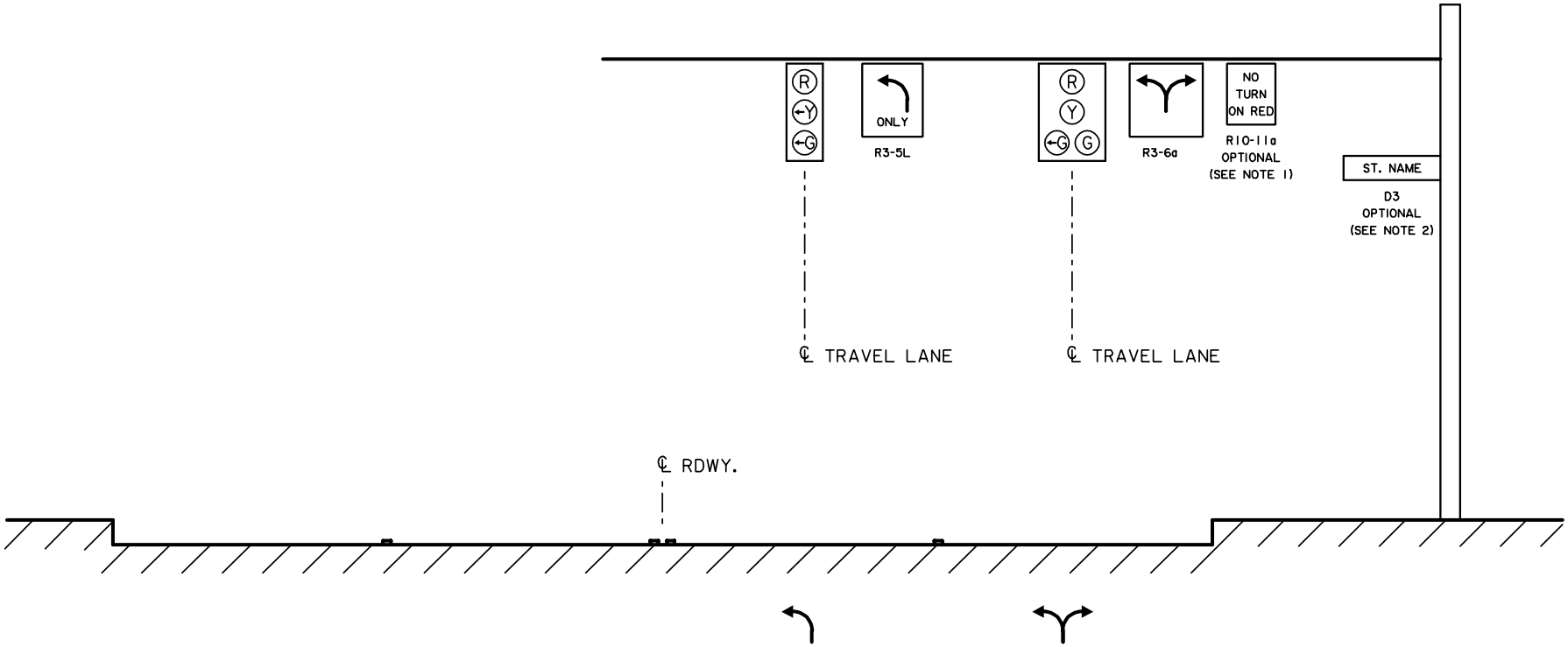
1. THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS MAY JUSTIFY SIGN R10-11a: 1) SIGHT DISTANCE TO THE LEFT IS INADEQUATE, OR 2) WHERE THERE IS AN EXCLUSIVE PEDESTRIAN PHASE, OR 3) WHERE THERE ARE A SIGNIFICANT NUMBER OF TURN ON RED ACCIDENTS IN A 12-MONTH PERIOD.

2. USE FIVE SECTION HEAD (R,Y,G,Y→,G→) IF A RIGHT TURN OVERLAP IS USED. ADDITIONALLY, IF THE RIGHT TURN ON RED IS PROHIBITED, THEN SIGN R10-11a SHOULD BE REPLACED WITH "RIGHT ON GREEN ARROW ONLY" (R10-5R).

3. STREET NAME SIGN ALSO ALLOWED ON MAST ARMS IF SPACE AVAILABLE, BUT NOT ON SIGNAL SPANWIRE.

FIGURE 2I-13

TYPICAL SIGN/SIGNAL ARRANGEMENTS
SPANWIRE/MAST ARM MOUNTED
T-INTERSECTION (TOP OF THE "T")



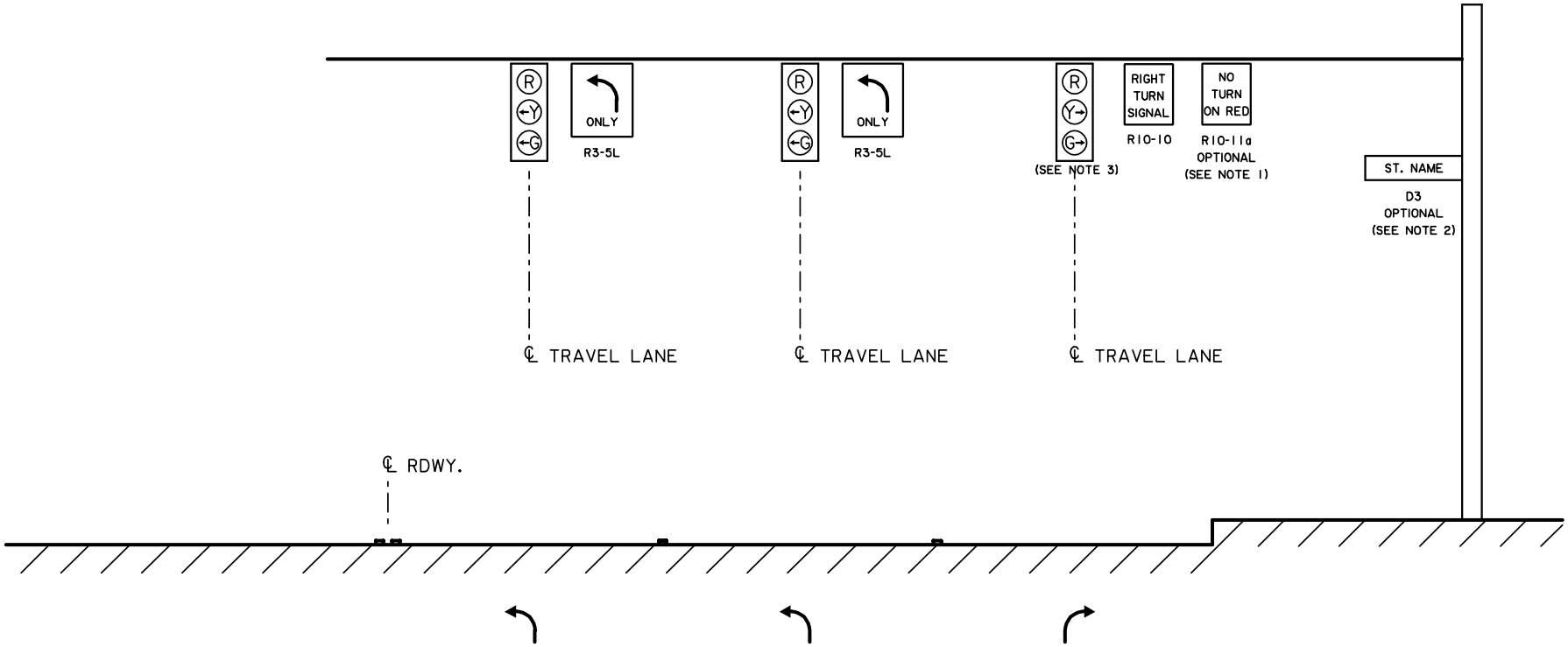
TWO LANE APPROACH
(DUAL LEFT TURNS USING MIXED LANE)
NO RIGHT TURN OVERLAP

NOTES:

1. THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS MAY JUSTIFY SIGN R10-11a: 1) SIGHT DISTANCE TO THE LEFT IS INADEQUATE, OR 2) WHERE THERE IS AN EXCLUSIVE PEDESTRIAN PHASE, OR 3) WHERE THERE ARE 3 OR MORE RIGHT TURN ON RED ACCIDENTS IN A 12-MONTH PERIOD.
2. STREET NAME SIGN ALSO ALLOWED ON MAST ARMS IF SPACE AVAILABLE, BUT NOT ON SIGNAL SPANWIRE.

FIGURE 2I-14

TYPICAL SIGN/SIGNAL ARRANGEMENTS
SPANWIRE/MAST ARM MOUNTED
T-INTERSECTION (TOP OF THE "T")



TWO LANE APPROACH
(W/SEPARATE LEFT TURN LANE)
DUAL LEFT TURNS/RIGHT TURN OVERLAP

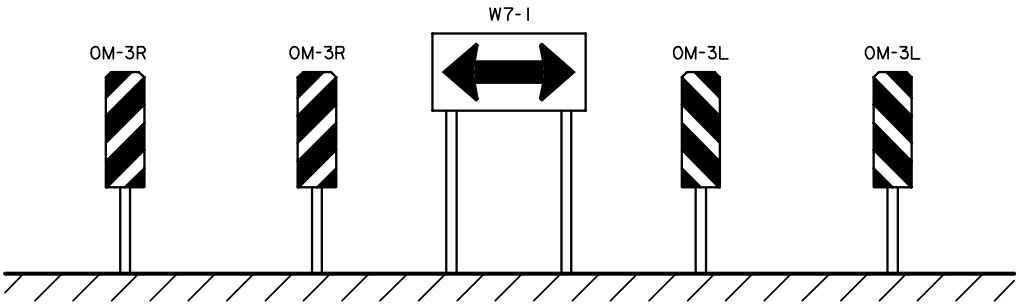
NOTES:

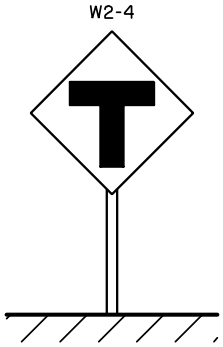
1. USED WHERE: 1) SIGHT DISTANCE TO THE LEFT IS INADEQUATE, OR 2) WHERE THERE IS AN EXCLUSIVE PEDESTRIAN PHASE, OR 3) WHERE THERE ARE A SIGNIFICANT NUMBER OF RIGHT TURN ON RED ACCIDENTS IN A 12-MONTH PERIOD.

2. STREET NAME SIGN ALSO ALLOWED ON MAST ARMS IF SPACE AVAILABLE, BUT NOT ON SIGNAL SPANWIRE.

3. 5 SECTION HEAD (RYG Y→ G →) NEEDED IF A PEDESTRIAN PHASE IS PRESENT THAT MOVES PARALLEL TO AND SIMULTANEOUSLY WITH THIS LEG OF THE INTERSECTION AND CROSSES THE RIGHT TURN MOVEMENT. IN THIS CASE SIGN R10-10 IS NOT NEEDED.

FIGURE 2I-15





"T-TREATMENT"
SIGNING AT THE TOP OF THE "TEE"
(OPTIONAL)

THE ABOVE SIGNING CAN ALSO BE SUPPLEMENTED
BY AN ADVANCE T INTERSECTION WARNING (W2-4).

FIGURE 2I-16

Table 2I-1
Traffic Signal Indications
Minimum Sight Distance

85th-Percentile Speed (km/h)	Minimum Sight Distance (meters)
30	50
40	65
50	85
60	110
70	140
80	165
90	195
100	220

85th-Percentile Speed (mph)	Minimum Sight Distance (feet)
20	175
25	215
30	270
35	325
40	390
45	460
50	540
55	625
60	715

(SOURCE: MUTCD, MILLENNIUM EDITION, PART 4, PAGE 2D-23, TABLE 4D-1)

Table 2I-2
Guidelines for Advance Placement of Warning Signs

Posted or 85th-Percentile Speed	Advance Placement Distance [1]						
	Condition A: High judgment required[2]	Condition B: Stop condition[3]	Condition C: Deceleration to the listed advisory speed (mph) for the condition[4]				
			10	20	30	40	50
20 mph	175 ft	N/A[5]	N/A[5]	—	—	—	—
25 mph	250 ft	N/A[5]	100 ft	N/A[5]	—	—	—
30 mph	325 ft	100 ft	150 ft	100 ft	—	—	—
35 mph	400 ft	150 ft	200 ft	175 ft	N/A[5]	—	—
40 mph	475 ft	225 ft	275 ft	250 ft	175 ft	—	—
45 mph	550 ft	300 ft	350 ft	300 ft	250 ft	N/A[5]	—
50 mph	625 ft	375 ft	425 ft	400 ft	325 ft	225 ft	—
55 mph	700 ft	450 ft	500 ft	475 ft	400 ft	300 ft	N/A[5]
60 mph	775 ft	550 ft	575 ft	550 ft	500 ft	400 ft	300 ft
65 mph	850 ft	650 ft	650 ft	625 ft	575 ft	500 ft	375 ft

Notes:

1. The distances are adjusted for a sign legibility distance of 50 m (175 ft) which is the appropriate legibility distance for a 125 mm (5 in) Series D word legend. The distances may be adjusted by Deducting another 30 m (100 ft) if symbol signs are used. Adjustments may be made for grades if appropriate.
2. Typical conditions are locations where the road user must use extra time to adjust speed and change lanes in heavy traffic because of a complex driving situation. Typical signs are Merge, Right Lane Ends, etc. The distances are determined by providing the driver a PIEV time of 6.7 to 10.0 seconds plus 4.5 seconds for vehicle maneuvers minus the legibility distance of 50 m (175 ft) for the appropriate sign.
3. Typical condition is the warning of a potential stop situation. Typical signs are Stop Ahead, Yield Ahead, or Signal Ahead. The distances are based on the 1990 AASHTO Policy for stopping sight distance (page 120) providing a PIEV time of 2.5 seconds, friction factor of 0.30 to 0.40, minus the sign legibility distance of 50 m (175 ft).
4. Typical conditions are locations where the road user must decrease speed to maneuver through the warned condition. Typical signs are Turn, Curve, or Cross Road. The distance is determined by providing a 1.6 second PIEV time (1990 AASHTO, page 119), a vehicle deceleration rate of 3 m/second^2 (10 ft/second^2), minus the sign legibility distance of 50 m (175 ft).
5. No suggested minimum distances are provided for these speeds, as placement location is de-Pendant on site conditions and other signing to provide an adequate advance warning for the driver.

(SOURCE: MUTCD, MILENNIUM EDITION, PART 2, PAGE 2C-7, TABLE 2C-4)

TABLE 21-3
SIGN SIZE AREA

SIGN SHAPE	SIZE	AREA (FT.^{2})
SQUARE	18"x18"	2.3
SQUARE	24"x24"	4.0
SQUARE	30"x30"	6.3
SQUARE	36"x36"	7.5
SQUARE	48"x48"	16.0
RECTANGLE	9"x12"	0.8
RECTANGLE	12"x18"	1.5
RECTANGLE	12"x36"	3.0
RECTANGLE	18"x24"	3.0
RECTANGLE	24"x30"	5.0
RECTANGLE	24"x36"	6.0
RECTANGLE	30"x36"	7.5
RECTANGLE	48"x24"	8.0
RECTANGLE	48"x30"	10.0
RECTANGLE	60"x30"	12.5
CIRCLE	36" DIAMETER	7.1
OCTAGON	30"x30"	3.1*
OCTAGON	36"x36"	4.5*
TRIANGLE	36"x36"x36"	3.9

* THE AREA OF THE OCTAGON SIGN IS COMPUTED AS THE AREA OF ITS SMALLEST RECTANGLE.

SOURCE: LOUISIANA STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS FOR ROADS AND BRIDGES, 2000, P465.

J. SIGNAL HEADS – Signal heads shall adhere to those standards set forth in the MUTCD. The LA DOTD application of those standards is as follows:

1.0 Lens Size – Twelve (12) inch diameter lenses are required on all LA DOTD signal heads regardless of their distance beyond the stop line.

2.0 Housing Color – Signal head housing shall be specified in LA DOTD EDSM IV.7.1.8.

3.0 Back plates – Signal back plates increase the contrast between the signal indications and the signal background. Things in the signal background that could cause signal visibility problems are a rising or setting sun or intensive advertising signing. Back plates are not normally installed on LA DOTD signals unless it can be demonstrated that an actual signal visibility problem exists and the signals are mast arm mounted. Where used, back plates shall have a dull black finish.

4.0 Number of Signal Faces[61]

4.1 Major Movement – A minimum of two signal faces is to be provided for the major movement on each approach, even if the major movement is a turning movement. This provides a safety factor should an indication burn out in one of the two faces.

4.2 Supplemental Face – If the signal faces provided as required is paragraph 4.1 above are more than 150 ft. beyond the stop line, a supplemental near side signal face is required.

4.3 Dual Left Turns – Where dual separate left turn lanes are provided, a separate left turn face shall be provided for each lane (see typical explanation Figures 2I-10 and 2I-15).

5.0 Positioning

5.1 Relative to the Stop Line

5.1.1 Required Faces – At least one if not both of the signals faces required in paragraph 4.1 above shall be placed between 40-150 ft. from the stop line.

5.1.2 Supplemental Face – If both signal faces are more than 150 ft. from the stop line, a supplemental near side signal face is required.

5.2 Horizontal Placement

[61] MUTCD, Millennium Edition, 2001, Part 4, p. 4D – 23 to 4D - 27

5.2.1 Approach Alignment – At least one if not both signal faces required in paragraph 4.1 above shall be placed in the area defined in Figure 2J-1.

5.2.2 Lane Alignment – In general signal heads should be centered over the lanes to which they apply. Figures 2I-1 thru 2I-15 show typical applications. However, where separate left turn lanes and left turn signals are provided, the left turn signal head shall be located 2.5 ft. to the left of the center of the left turn lane (see Figure 2I-5, 2I-7, 2I-8, 2I-9, 2I-10, 2I-11).

5.2.3 Adjacent Signal Faces[62] – Adjacent signal faces on the same span wire or mast arm shall be placed no closer than 8 feet apart (See typical examples in Figures 2I-1 thru 2I-15).

5.2.4 Protected Turn Signal Faces – Left turn signals shall be the left most signal head and right turn signals shall be the right most signal head in the signal head arrangement for the approach (see typical examples in Figures 2I-2 thru 2I-10).

5.3 Vertical Placement – The placement of the signal head over the roadway shall be such as to provide a minimum 17.5 foot (± 3 inches) vertical clearance from the bottom of the signal head to the roadway. Additionally, the maximum height of the top of the signal face shall be as shown in Figure 2J-2.

6.0 Face Arrangement – Vertical rather than horizontal signal face arrangements are preferred for LA DOTD signal installations. Side by side signal indications are allowed in cluster arrangements.

6.1 Vertical –When used, the various signal indications shall be arranged top to bottom in the order shown below:[63]

R
←R
R→
Y
G
G↑
←Y
←G
Y→
G→

[62] MUTCD, Millennium Edition, 2001, Part 4, p. 4D-24
[63] MUTCD, Millennium Edition, 2001, Part 4, p. 4D-29

6.2 Horizontal –When used, the various signal indications shall be arranged left to right in the order shown below:[64]

R, ←R, R→, Y, ←Y, ←G, G, G↑, Y→, G→

7.0 Left Turn Signals

7.1 Three section heads (R, ←Y, ←G) – Three section left turn heads are used for a "protected only" left turn operation, and there exists a separate left turn lane. Three section left turn heads are also used where dual left turns exist and at the top of some "T" intersections. (See typical examples Figures 2I-5, 2I-8, 2I-10, 2I-11, 2I-14, 2I-15).

7.2 Four Section Heads (R, Y, ←G, G) – Four section left turn heads are used where the left turn is part of a split phase operation and also at the top of some "T" intersections.(See typical examples in Figure 2I-14).

7.3 Five Section Heads (R, Y, G, ←Y, ←G) – Five section left turn signal heads are used both with and without a separate left turn lane, and where the left turn operation is "protected/permitted". (See typical Figures 2I-3, 2I-4, 2I-6, 2I-7, 2I-9).

8.0 Right Turn Signals – Right turn signals are normally provided only where there is a separate right turn lane accompanied by a right turn signal overlap with a compatible cross street left turn signal phase.

8.1 Three Section Heads (R, Y→, G→) - Three section right turn heads are at the top of some "T" intersections (See Figure 2I-15).

8.2 Five Section Heads (R, Y, G, Y→, G→) –Five section right turn heads are most commonly used at 4-way intersections (See Figure 2I-9). Where there are pedestrian movements protected by pedestrians signal indications a five section head may be used at some "T" intersections (See Figures 2I-13).

9.0 Pedestrian Signal Indications – LADOTD allows only the one section integrated pedestrian head on new signal installations. The bottom of its housing shall be located 7-10 feet above the sidewalk.

9.1 Walking Person Symbol[65]

9.1.1 Meaning – Walk

[64] MUTCD, Millennium Edition, 2001, Part 4, p. 4D-29
[65] MUTCD, Millennium Edition, 2001, Part 4, p. 4E-1 to 4E-5

9.1.2 Color – White

9.1.3 Size – LADOTD uses only the 9 inch high symbol.

9.1.4 Location – Integral with and to the right of the upraised hand symbol.

9.2 Upraised Hand Symbol[66]

9.2.1 Meaning

- **Flashing –** Pedestrian Clearance
- **Steady –** Don't Walk

9.2.2 Color - Portland Orange

9.2.3 Size – LADOTD uses only the 9 high inch symbol.

9.2.4 Location – Integral with and to the left of the walking person symbol.

10.0 Visibilities and Shielding – As a minimum all signal indications should be equipped with cut away (partial) visors to prevent the sun phantom effect (signal appearing to be on due to the sun reflecting on the signal indication lens).[67] Additionally other installation problems may exist that would require the signal to be shielded further or to have its visibility limited. The most common problems and their possible solutions are as follows.

10.1 Left Turn Signals – Where left turn signals simultaneously display different color indications than the adjacent through signals, either full tunnel visors with louvers or programmed visibility lenses can be used on the left turn signals.

10.2 Closely Spaced Signals – Where signals are closely spaced and simultaneously display conflicting color indications to approaching motorists, programmed visibility lenses can be installed on the far signals.

10.3 Acute Angle Intersections – Where the intersection of two roadways is less than 90 degrees causing conflicting signal indications on one street to be seen by motorists on the other street, either programmed visibility lenses or full tunnel visors with louvers can be used on the signals.

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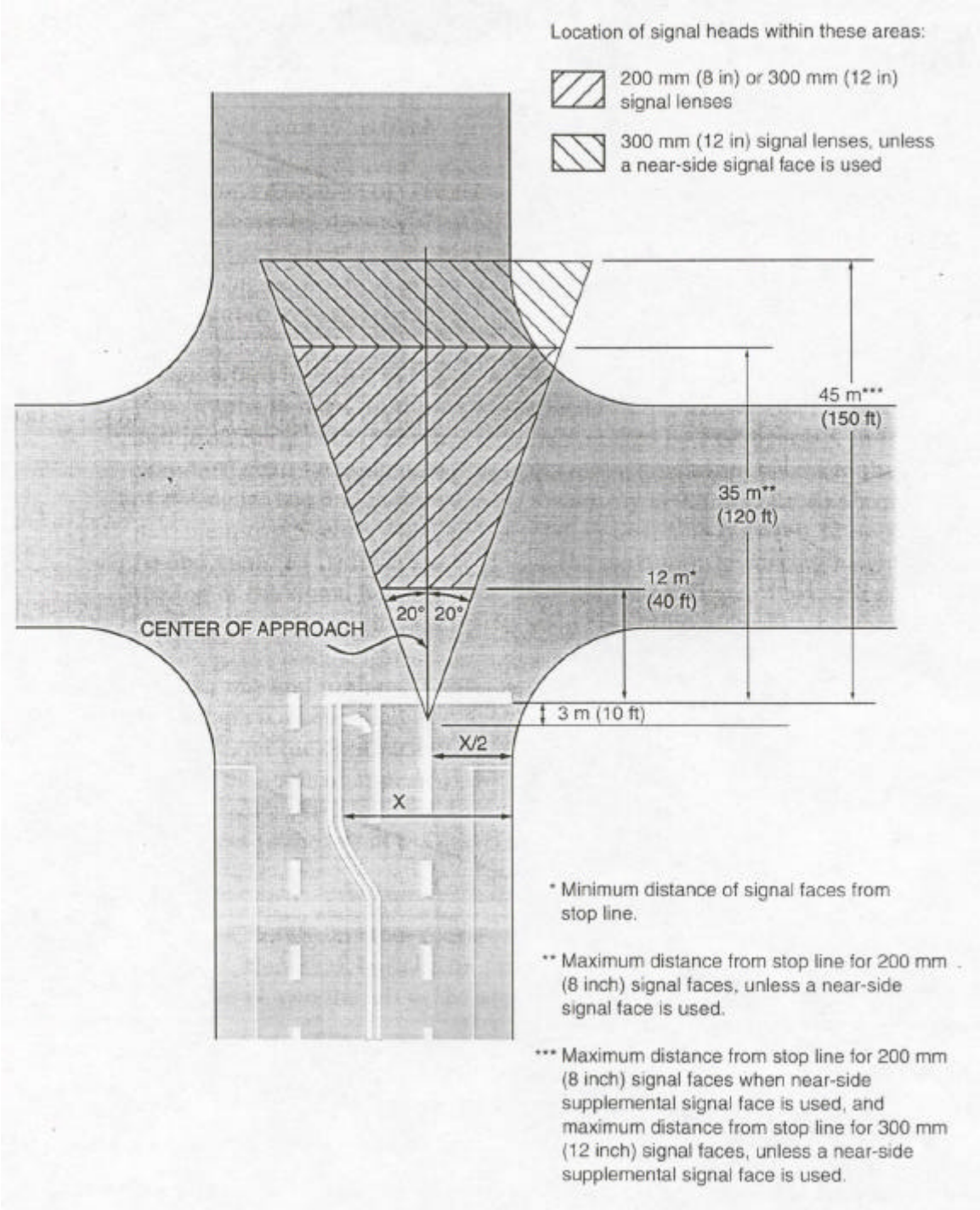
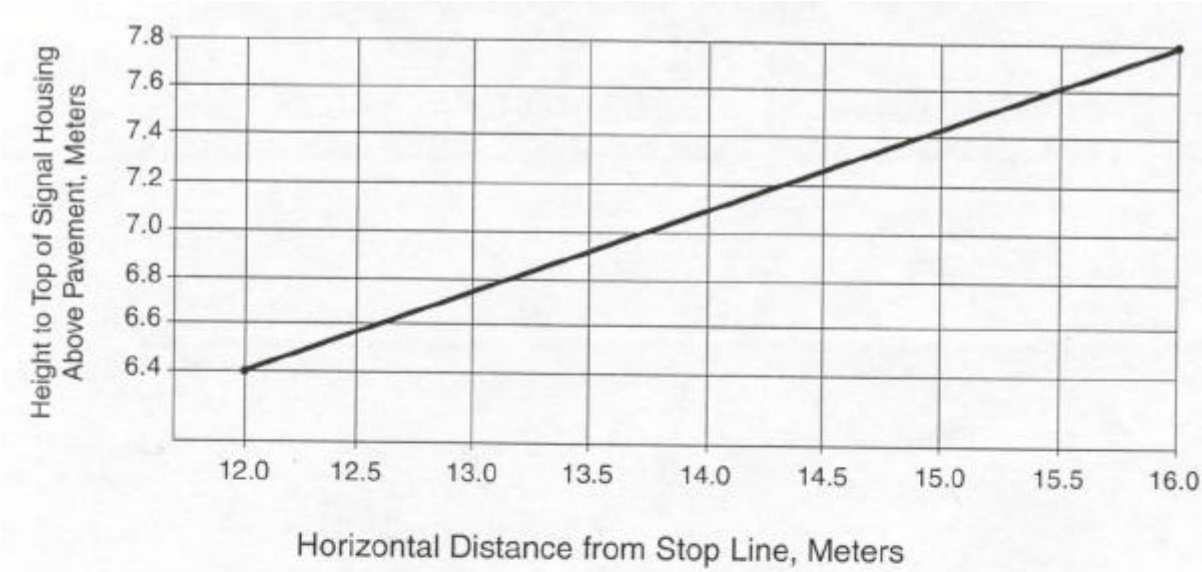
[66] MUTCD, Millennium Edition, 2001, Part 4, p. 4E-1 to 4E-3
[67] Traffic Control Devices Handbook, 1983, p. 4 - 62

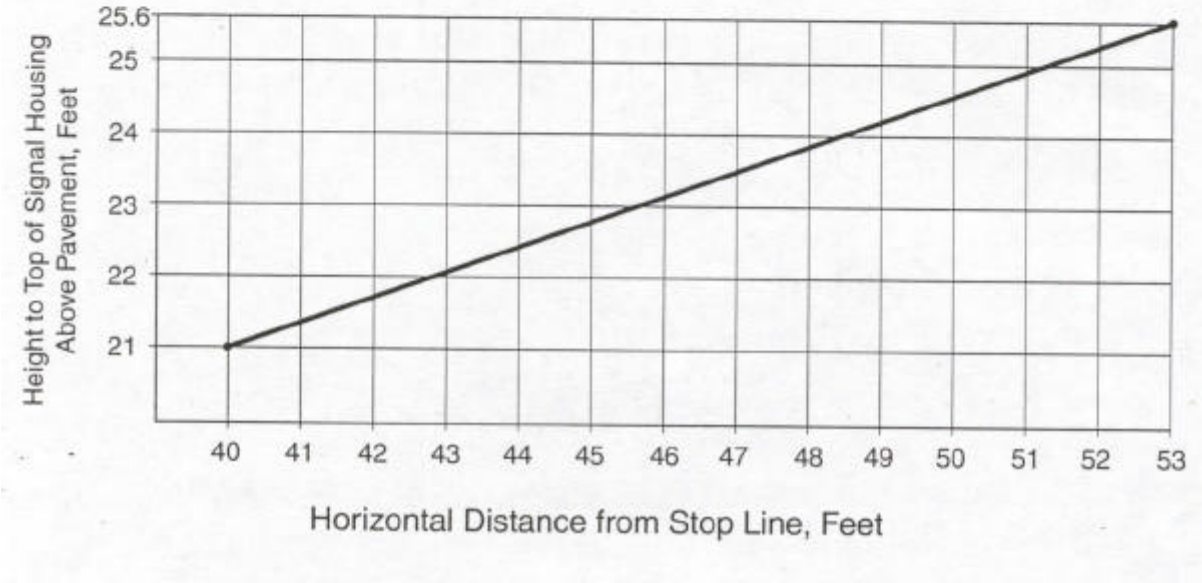
Figure 2J-1 Horizontal Location of Signal Faces



(SOURCE: MUTCD, MILLENNIUM EDITION, PART 4, FIGURE 4D-2, PG. 4D-26)

Figure 2J-2 Maximum Mounting Height of Signal Faces Located Between 12 Meters (40 feet) and 16 Meters (53 feet) from Stop Line





(SOURCE: MUTCD, MILLENNIUM EDITION, PART 4, FIGURE 4D-1, PG. 4D-25)

K. TRAFFIC SIGNAL CONTROLLERS/CABINETS

1.0 Signal Controllers – The standard controller to be used at all new signalized intersections shall be an 8-phase, NEMA controller that meets current LA DOTD standards and specifications. An 8-phase controller is to be specified even at "T" intersections to facilitate controller interchangeability and to simplify LA DOTD's controller inventory.

2.0 Controller Cabinets

2.1 Types:

- **LA DOTD Type 3** – Pole mounted cabinets

- **LA DOTD Type 6 –** Ground mounted cabinets. Any controller locations that are in a closed loop system shall have ground mounted cabinets.

2.2 Interconnect/Communications – Where installed in an existing system, the type cabling shall match the existing system cabling.

2.2.1 Hard Wire – A 7 conductor cable can be run between adjacent controllers for the purpose of signal coordination through the transmission of electrical pulses.[68] A hard wire relay panel is needed in the controller cabinet.

2.2.2 Data Communication Cable – A 6 pair twisted cable or fiber optics cable can be run between adjacent controllers for the purpose of signal coordination and data transmission.[69]

2.2.3 Modems

- When a 6 pair twisted cable is used for signal coordination, a modem is needed in each coordinated signal cabinet. In addition the master location in a closed loop system needs an additional dial up modem.

- When fiber optics cable is used for signal coordination, a fiber optics interface modem is needed in each coordinated signal cabinet. In addition the master location in a closed loop system needs an additional dial up modem.

- Systems using a 7 conductor cable for signal coordination use a hard wire relay panel instead of a modem.

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[68] Louisiana Standard Specifications for Roads and Bridges, 2000, Section 1020.03
[69] Louisiana Standard Specifications for Roads and Bridges, 2000, Section 1020.03

2.2.4 Telephone drops – Telephone drops are needed at all master locations in a closed loop coordinated system.

2.2.5 Master to TMC/District Office – Communications between these two points can be as follows according to LADOTD preferences:

- Fiber Optics
- Phone Drop
- Radio

2.3 Orientation – The controller cabinet shall be so oriented that the traffic personnel will be facing the intersection while looking in the cabinet.

2.4 Service Pad – All controller installations shall be provided with a 3’ x 5’ x 4” all weather service pad in front of the controller cabinet door to provide a standing surface for service personnel.

2.5 Location – Controller cabinets should be located as far as practical off the edge of the roadway and in the same intersection quadrant as the power source.

L. POWER SUPPLY – An electrical service source shall be designated on signal plans in the same quadrant as the signal controller. The power source should be verified in the field with a representative of the power company before the power source is located on the plans.[70] (See Figure 2L-1).

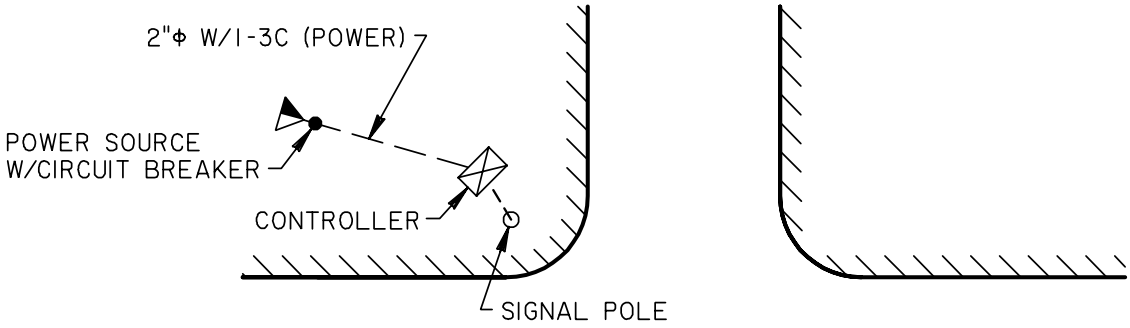
1.0 Location – If the power source is more than 20 feet from the controller cabinet, a signal service pedestal with circuit breaker shall be supplied adjacent to the controller cabinet. (See Figure 2L-2).

2.0 Quantity – In quantity calculations, the term "electrical service" or "power supply" includes the pole, circuit breaker, ground rod, conduit (riser) and conductors on the utility companies pole and/or conduit (riser) and conductor on the service pole. A separate 2" conduit (riser) must be provided where the power is brought down a pole which does not have a circuit breaker.[71]

3.0 Street Lights – Where street lights are permitted on LA DOTD signal poles, they shall have their own circuit breaker on the service pole and the power conductor routing shall not pass through the controller cabinet. (See Figure 2L-3).

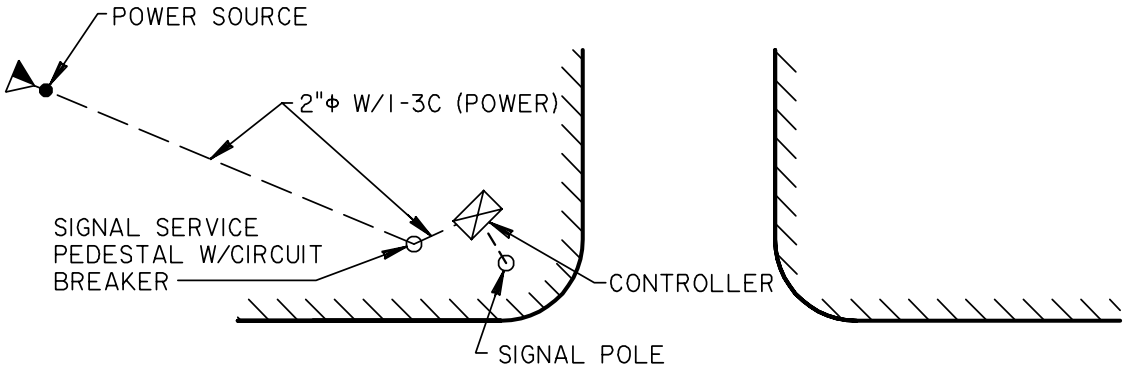
4.0 Conduit – Wherever a power supply cable is run underground, it shall be in its own separate 2" Ø conduit.

[70] Louisiana Standard Specifications for Roads and Bridges, 2000, p. 736.05
[71] Louisiana Standard Specifications for Roads and Bridges, 2000, p. 736.05



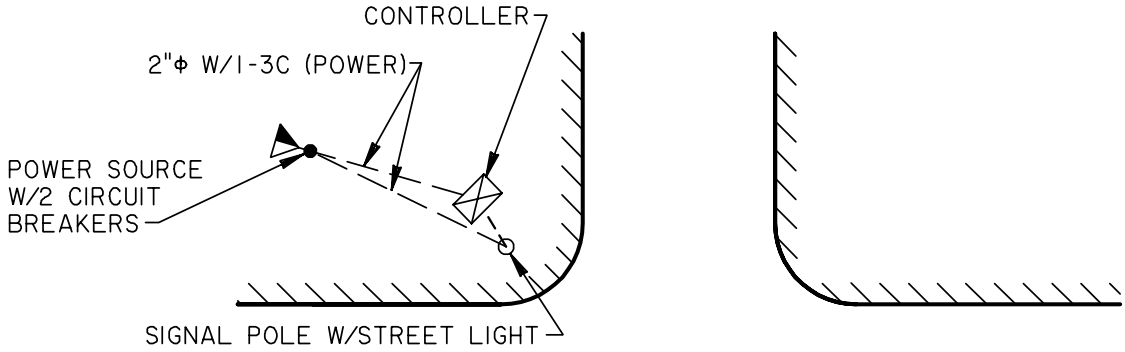
POWER SUPPLY WITHIN 20 FT. OF CONTROLLER

FIGURE 2L-1



POWER SUPPLY BEYOND 20 FT. OF CONTROLLER

FIGURE 2L-2



POWER SUPPLY FOR LOCATIONS W/STREET LIGHTS

FIGURE 2L-3

M. SIGNAL SUPPORTS – Signal supports which include both steel strain poles and mast arm poles shall be in accordance with LA DOTD specifications. Adjacent utility poles shall not be used for signal supports in new installations unless limited physical conditions preclude the installation of separate signal supports. Engineering judgment must be exercised in determining the proper signal support system for the intersection. The following guidelines are provided to aid in that determination.

1.0 Strain Poles – Strain poles may be applicable where a mast arm installation would require mast arms in excess of 50 ft. in length.

1.1 Maximum Span Length – The placement of the strain poles shall be such as to limit the span wire length to a maximum of 150 ft.

1.2 Span Wire Arrangements – Span wire arrangements in general allow for further pole setbacks from the roadway than do mast arms installations. In addition they eliminate the need for jacking and boring under the roadway by allowing signal and detector cables to be run overhead on the signal spanwire.[72] The following are the most common span wire arrangements.

1.2.1 Box Span(See Figure 2M-1) – This signal arrangement places strain poles on each of the four corners of the intersection.

- **Advantages:**[73]
  - Allows good alignment of signal heads and span wire mounted signs.
  - Provides the required minimum 40 feet distance between the signal heads and stop line on all approaches.
  - Provides lower span wire lengths, loading and sag than diagonal spans.
  - Provides locations for pedestrian signals and pedestrian detectors when needed.

- **Disadvantages:**[74]
  - Requires 4 poles
  - Could require supplemental signal heads if the signal heads are beyond 150 feet beyond the approach stop line.

1.2.2 Z Spans (See Figures 2M-2, 2M-3) – Z span installation may be applicable on divided roadways where medians are at least 8 feet wide. Z spans are also applicable at offset intersections.

[72] Traffic Engineering Handbook, 1999, p. 503
[73] Traffic Engineering Handbook, 1999, p. 506
[74] Traffic Engineering Handbook, 1999, p. 506

- **Advantages:**[75]
  - On divided roadways, shorter spanwires are required across the street with the median.
  - On divided roadways, a closer placement of signal heads for the street without the median is possible.
  - Provides good signal placement for offset intersections.

- **Disadvantages:**[76]
  - On divided roadways, it places signal poles in median areas where they are more likely to be struck by vehicles.
  - On divided roadways, additional signal poles may be needed if pedestrian signals and detectors are required.
  - On divided roadways, pedestrians cannot see the parallel signal indications once they get to the median area.

1.2.3 U-Span (See Figure 2M-4) – The arrangement has good application at T intersections.

- **Advantages:**
  - Allows good alignment of signal heads and span wire mounted signs.
  - Poles are available for pedestrian signal heads and detectors if needed.
  - Good visibility of signal indicators for pedestrians.
  - Provides shorter span wire lengths and less loading and sag than the diagonal spans.

- **Disadvantages:**
  - Four poles are required.

1.3 Pole Base – All LA DOTD steel strain poles shall have "shoe" type base.[77]

1.4 Pole Height Determination – The height of a strain pole is determined by equation 2M-1 and Figure 2M-5 shows how the formula was derived. When providing a pole height on signal plans it is important to specify that the top of the pole foundation is to be at the same elevation as the roadway crown.

[75] Traffic Engineering Handbook, 1999, p. 507
[76] Traffic Engineering Handbook, 1999, p. 507
[77] LA DOTD, Traffic Services and Installation Detail Standard Plans, sheet 217

Equation 2M-1

$$PH = 23 + \frac{L}{20}$$

Where: PH = Pole height (feet)
L = Span wire length (feet)

Where two spanwires attach to the same strain pole, the pole height will be determined by using the longer of the two spanwires. Pole heights shall be rounded up where necessary to be specified in even number feet (26, 28, 30, etc.).

1.5 Pole Location

1.5.1 General – Strain poles should be located as far as practical off the edge of the roadway while staying within the right-of-way and keeping the spanwire length under 150 feet. They should not be located on medians whose widths are less than 8 feet.

1.5.2 Signal Location – Strain poles should be located so that signals hung on their spanwire are located between 40 to 150 feet from the approach stop line.

1.5.3 Minimum Clearances – On uncurbed roadways, it is desirable that poles be located a minimum of 6 feet outside the roadway shoulder or 12 feet outside the edge of the travelway. On curbed roadways poles shall be located no closer than 2 feet to the front of curb.[78] In any case, signal poles should be located as far as practical from the edge of travel lane without adversely affective signal visibility.[79]

1.6 Luminaires – Where street lights are permitted on LA DOTD strain poles they are to be designed integral with the pole and mounted at a minimum height of 30 ft. above the roadway.

2.0 Mast Arms – Where used on LA DOTD signal installations, mast arms shall be in accordance with current LA DOTD standard details.[80]

[78] MUTCD, Millennium Edition, 2001, Part 2, p. 2A-12, 2A-22
[79] MUTCD, Millennium Edition, 2001, Part 4, p. 4D-36
[80] LA DOTD, Traffic Services and Installation Detail Standard Plans, sheet 217

2.1 Advantages:[81]

2.1.1 Rigid Mount – Mast arms provide a more rigid mounting for signal heads and over head signs than do spanwire installations. Accordingly they are particularly applicable where programmed visibility signal heads are used. They also require less maintenance in regards to turned signal heads and turned over head signs.

2.1.2 Aesthetics – Mast arm installations are more aesthetically pleasing than span wire installations since there is no overhead span wire or signal wiring.

2.2 Disadvantages:

2.2.1 Costs – Mast arms are more expensive then strain poles.[82]

2.2.2 Boring and jacking – Boring and jacking under the roadway is required to get signal and detector cables to the signal controller.

2.3 Mast Arm Arrangements – Typical mast arm arrangements are shown in Figures 2M-6 thru 2M-9.

2.3.1 Single Mast Arm – A typical single mast arm installation is shown in Figure 2M-6 where it is used at the intersection of two undivided roadways.

- **Advantages :**
  - Provides the required minimum 40 feet distance between the signal heads and the stop line of all approaches.
  - Provides good far side signal visibility for pedestrians.
  - Provides locations for pedestrian signal signals and pedestrian detectors where needed.

- **Disadvantages:**
  - Requires four mast arm poles and foundations.

2.3.2 Dual Mast Arms – Where one of the two intersecting roadways has a median with a width of at least 8 feet, a dual mast arm arrangement can be used as shown in Figure 2M-7. The dual mast arm arrangement is also applicable at offset intersections as shown in Figure 2M-8 and at "T" intersections as shown I Figure 2M-9.

[81] Traffic Engineering Handbook, 1999, p. 508
[82] Traffic Engineering Handbook, 1999, p. 509

- **Advantages:**
  - Uses two less mast arm poles than a single mast arm arrangement.
  - In the divided roadway application, it provides a closer placement of signal heads on the street without the median.
  - Provides good signal placement for offset intersections.

- **Disadvantages:**
  - In the divided roadway application, it places mast arm poles on median area where they are more likely to be struck by vehicles.
  - In the divided roadway application, additional signal poles may be needed if pedestrian signals and detectors are required.
  - In the divided roadway application, pedestrians cannot see the parallel signal indications once they get to the median area.

2.4 Mast Arm Base – A transformer base shall be used with all mast arm signal installations.[83]

2.5 Mast Arm Height – The height requirements for mast arm installations are shown in Figure 2M-10, taken from LA DOTD Traffic Signal And Installation Detail standard plan sheets. As such no mast arm height need be specified on signal plan sheets.

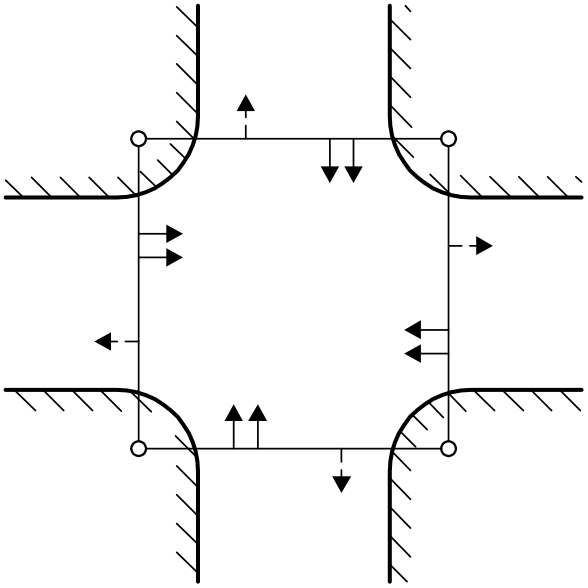
2.6 Mast Arm Length – Mast arm length must be specified on signal plan sheets. The arm length is determined by taking into account signal head placement in relation to the approach travel lanes and the pole setback off the edge of the travelway. The mast arm length shall not exceed the maximum length specified by current LA DOTD standards.

2.7 Mast Arm Pole Location – The requirements for locating mast arm poles are the same as those listed for the location of strain poles (See paragraph 1.5 of this section).

2.8 Luminaires – Street lights are permitted on LA DOTD mast arm poles provided that they are to be designed integral with the pole and they are to have a minimum mounting height of 30 feet above the roadway.

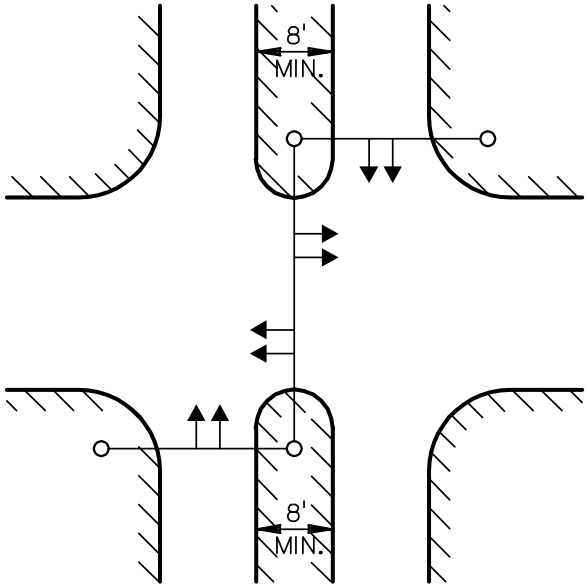
[83] LA DOTD, Traffic Services and Installation Detail Standard Plans, sheet 217

TYPICAL STRAIN POLE (SPANWIRE) INSTALLATIONS



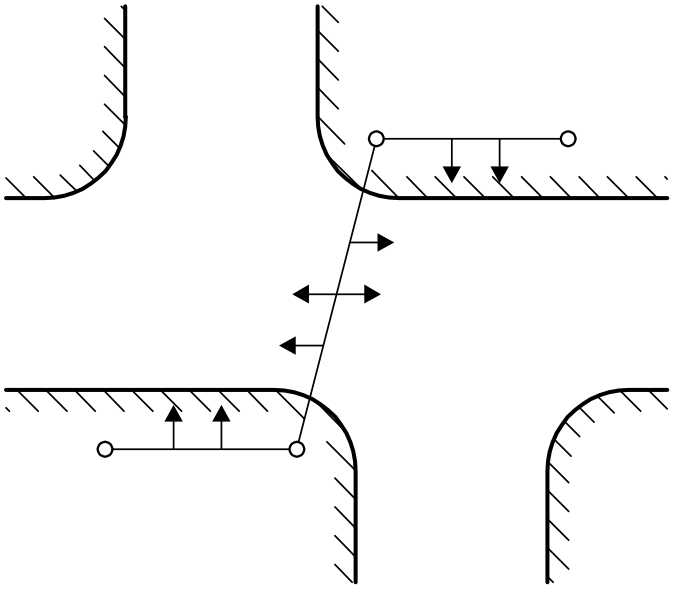
BOX SPAN

FIGURE 2M-1



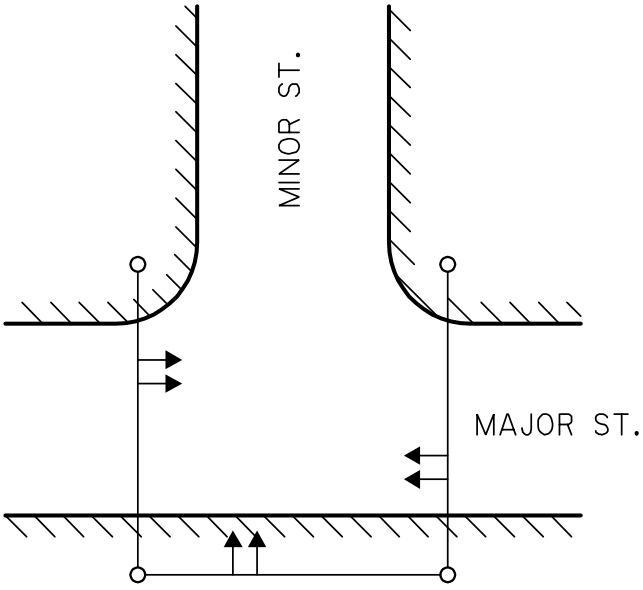
Z-SPAN
(W/CURBED MEDIAN)

FIGURE 2M-2



Z-SPAN

FIGURE 2M-3



U-SPAN

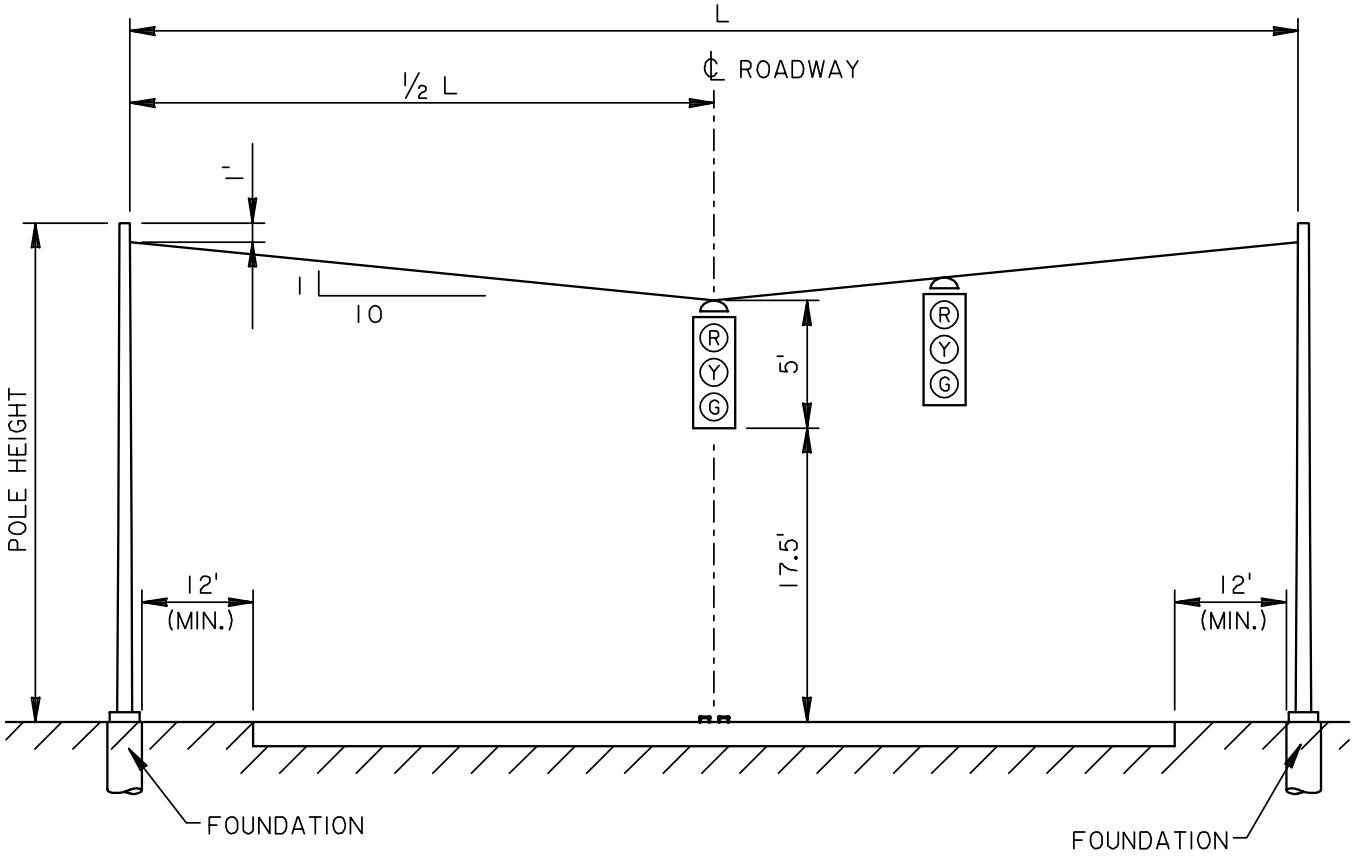
FIGURE 2M-4

LEGEND:

→ SIGNAL HEAD

- → SUPPLEMENTAL SIGNAL HEAD (IF NEEDED)

○ SIGNAL POLE (METAL)



$$\text{POLE HEIGHT} = 17 + 5 + \frac{\frac{1}{2}L}{10} + 1$$

$$\text{POLE HEIGHT} = 23 + \frac{L}{20}$$

SOURCE: LARRY FLY, DOTD TRAFFIC SERVICES SIGNAL SHOP SUPERVISOR.

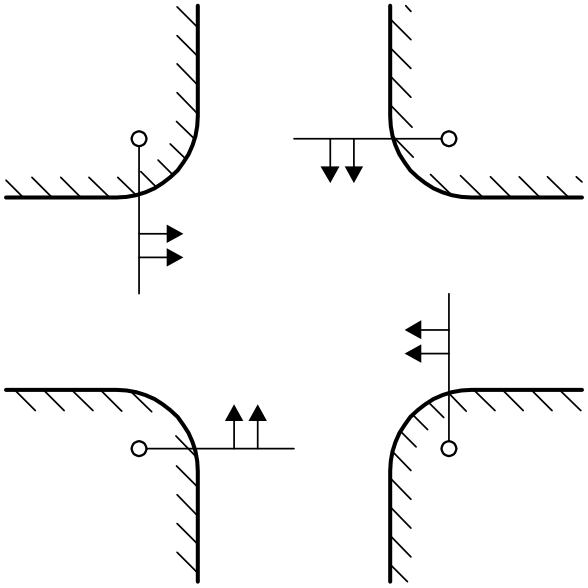
NOTES:

1) THE POLE HEIGHT IS ALWAYS COMPUTED FOR THE WORST CASE SCENARIO - A SIGNAL HEAD AT THE CENTER OF THE SPANWIRE.
2) THE TOP OF POLE FOUNDATION IS TO BE AT THE SAME ELEVATION AS THE ROADWAY CROWN.
3) ROUND UP TO SPECIFY POLE HEIGHTS IN EVEN NUMBER OF FEET (26, 28, 30, ETC.)

DOTD SIGNAL POLE HEIGHT DETERMINATION

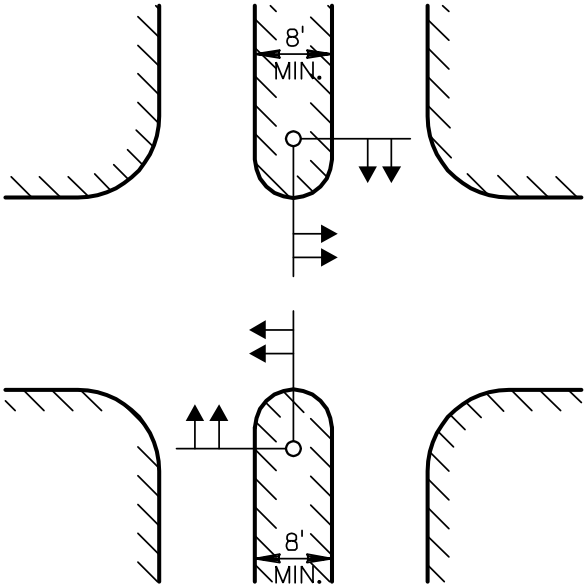
FIGURE 2M-5

TYPICAL MAST ARM INSTALLATIONS



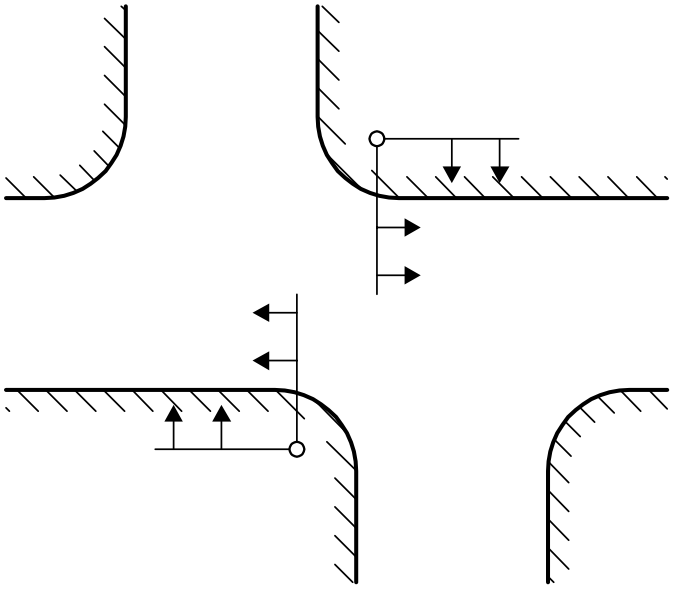
SINGLE MAST ARMS

FIGURE 2M-6



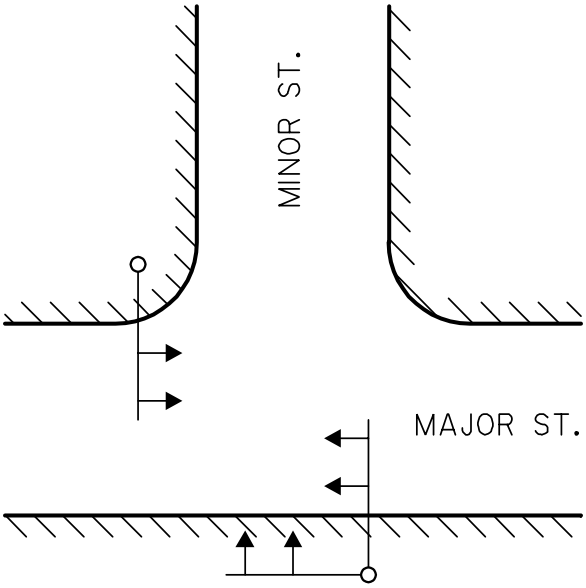
DUAL MAST ARMS
(ON CURBED MEDIAN)

FIGURE 2M-7



DUAL MAST ARMS

FIGURE 2M-8



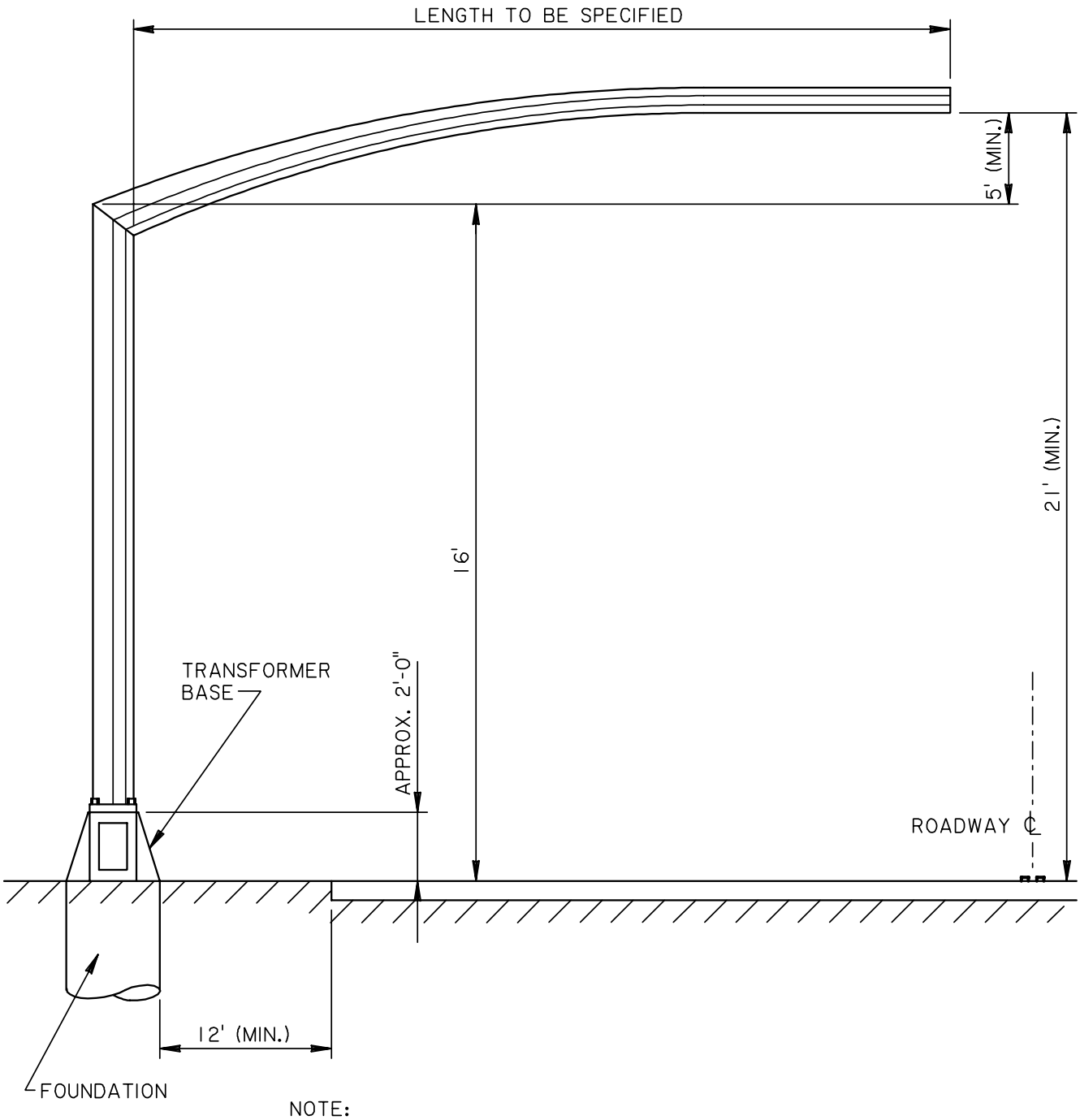
COMBINATION SINGLE/DUAL MAST ARMS

FIGURE 2M-9

LEGEND:

→ SIGNAL HEAD

○ SIGNAL POLE (METAL)



NOTE:
TOP OF FOUNDATION BASE TO BE AT THE SAME ELEVATION AS THE ROADWAY CROWN.

(SOURCE: LADOTD TRAFFIC SIGNAL AND INSTALLATION DETAIL STANDARD PLANS)

TYPICAL MAST ARM HEIGHT

FIGURE 2M-10

N. STOP LINES[84] - Stop lines should be located where the motorist is to stop in compliance with a stop sign, traffic signal or other traffic control devices. They should also be located to allow the motorist adequate sight distance of cross street traffic.

Stop lines have the following characteristics:

1.0 Type Lines – solid

2.0 Line width – 24”

3.0 Color – white

4.0 Orientation – parallel to cross street curb line (see Figures 2N-1 to 2N-4)

5.0 Placement

5.1 Cross street turning paths – The cross street turning paths of vehicles should always be checked when placing stop lines to make sure there are no conflicts. The turning path of a single unit (SU) design vehicle should be used (see Figure 2N-1).

5.2 W/O Crosswalks – 4’ to 30’ from cross street edge line (Figure 2N-2).

5.3 W/ Crosswalks – 4’ in advance of the crosswalk (Figure 2N-3).

6.0 Material – All stop lines shall be constructed of reflectorized thermo plastic pavement marking material. The material used shall be in accordance with LA DOTD standards.

[84] MUTCD, Millennium Edition, 2001, Part 3, p. 3B-32 to 3B-34

STOP LINE PLACEMENT

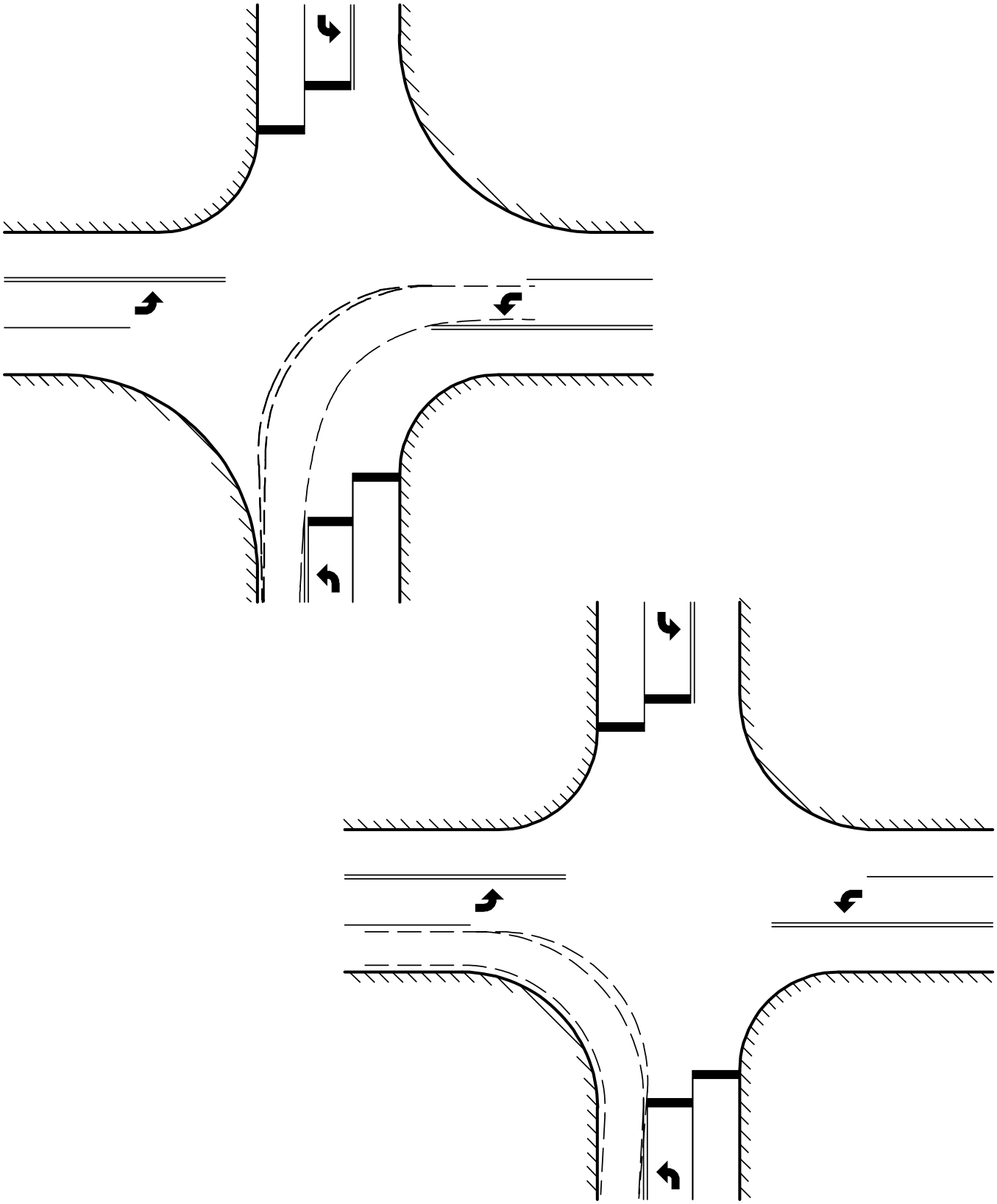


FIGURE 2N-1
DETERMINED BY CROSS ST. SU VEHICLE TURNING PATH

STOP LINE PLACEMENT

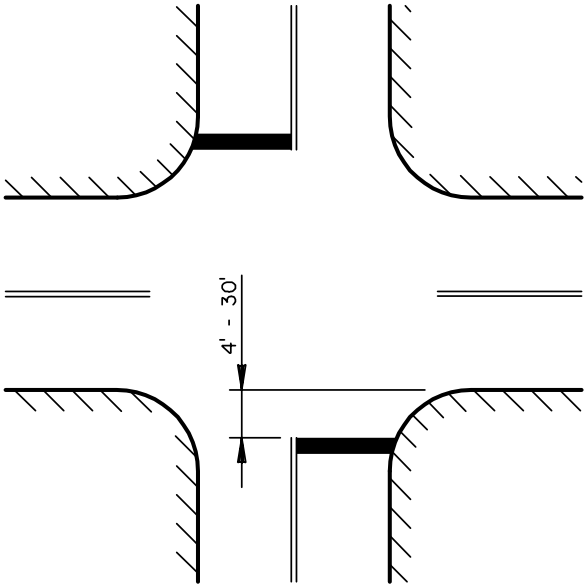


FIGURE 2N-2
WITHOUT CROSSWALKS

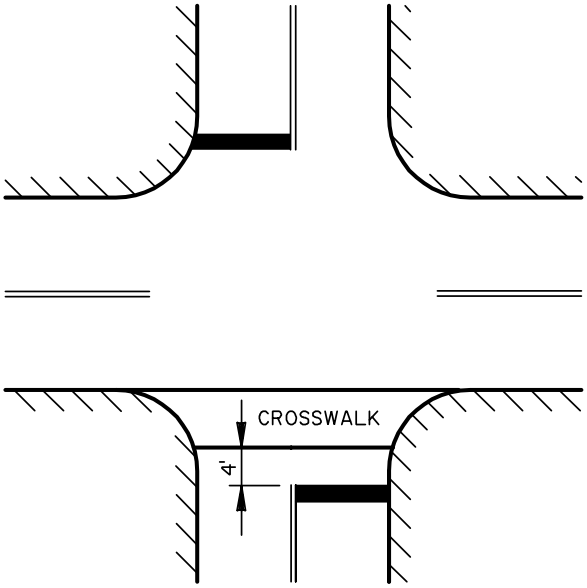


FIGURE 2N-3
WITH CROSSWALKS

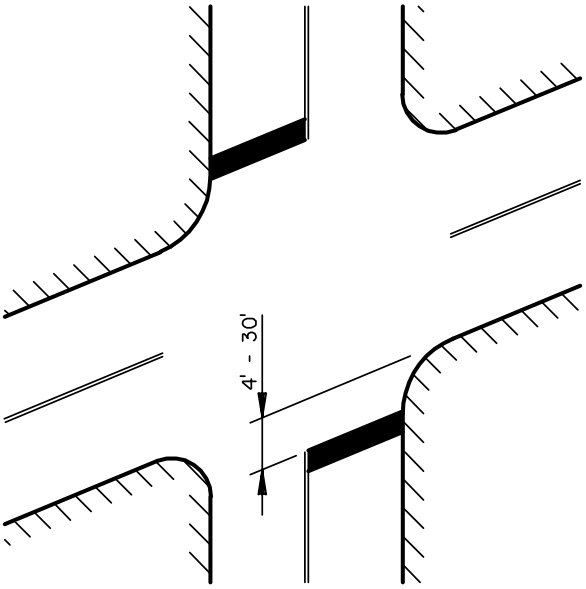


FIGURE 2N-4
PARALLEL TO CROSS STREET CURB LINE

O. CROSS WALKS[85]

Crosswalks are used to define a location where pedestrians are to cross a roadway and to alert motorists as to the crossing location. They should be used only where there are significant conflicts between pedestrians and motorists. Crosswalks have the following characteristics:

1.0 Type lines – solid

2.0 Line width – 12”

3.0 Color – white

4.0 Crosswalk Width – 6 ft. (min.)

5.0 Location – Generally on line with sidewalk approaches. Engineering judgment must be used.

6.0 Orientation – Normally, transverse lines are used. However, where additional crosswalk visibility is needed diagonal or longitudinal lines are used (see Figure 2O-1). In any case the crosswalk shall be oriented parallel to the cross street.

7.0 Materials – All crosswalks shall be constructed of reflectorized thermo plastic pavement marking material. The material used shall be in accordance with LA DOTD Standards.

[85] MUTCD, Millennium Edition, 2001, Part 3, p. 3B-34 to 3B- 36

Typical Types of Crosswalk Markings

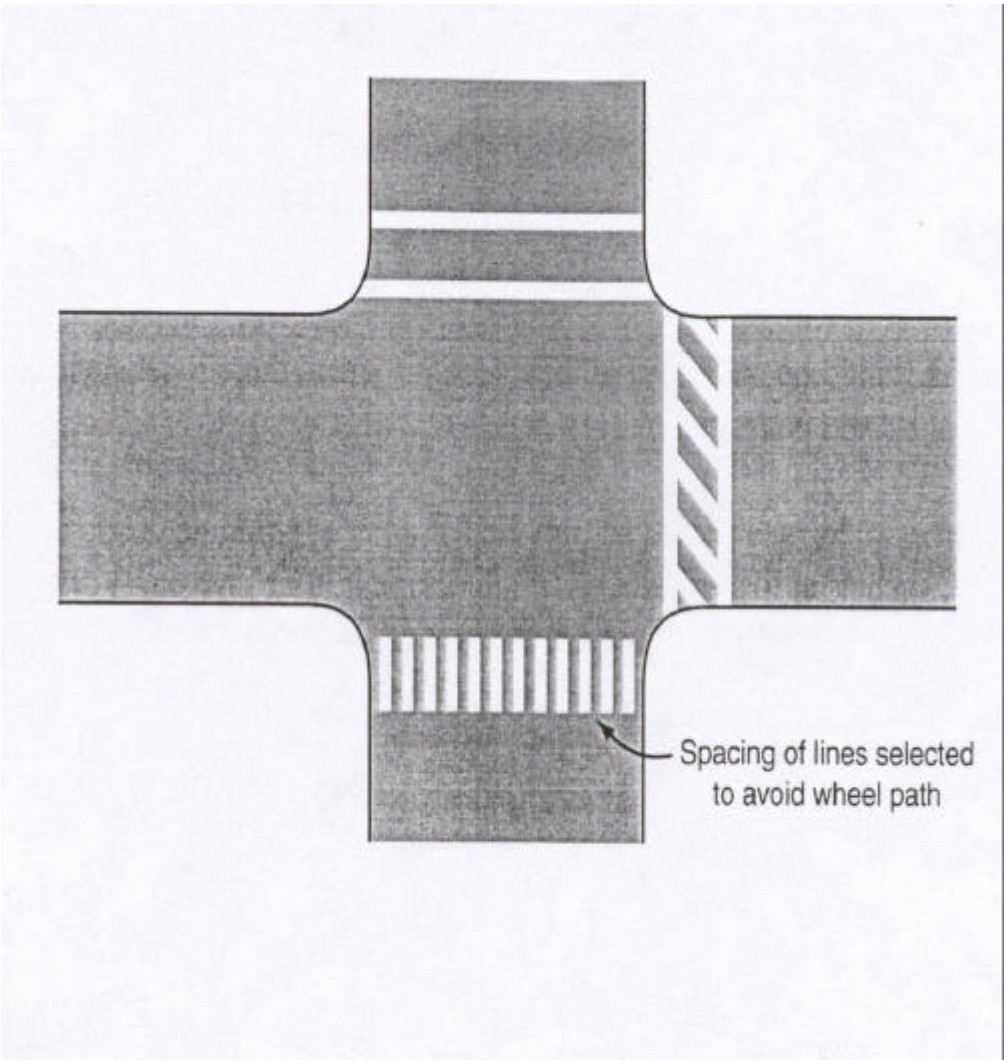


FIGURE 2 O-1
(SOURCE: MUTCD 2000, PART 3, PG. 3B-3G)

P. SIGNAL WIRING – After the signal head and signal detector arrangements/placements have been determined, the signal wiring required involves the following steps:

1.0 Signal Device Requirement - Determine the wiring requirement of each individual signal device by using Table 2P-1.

2.0 Mast Arm/Spanwire Runs - Determine the wiring required for the signal heads depending on whether spanwire or mast arms are used. Figures 2P-1 and 2P-2 show typical wiring requirements for a wide variety of signal head arrangements on spanwires and mast arms respectively.

3.0 Detectors/Power/Interconnect Cable - Determine the wiring required for detectors, power, and interconnect cables where applicable using Table 2P-1.

4.0 Sizing Conduit - Combine the wiring requirements in 2.0 and 3.0 above and size the conduit needed for each wiring run using Table 2P-2.

5.0 Example Problem - Figure 2P-3 is an example signal wiring problem illustrating all of the above steps and showing a complete wiring diagram and accompanying wiring table.

FIGURE 2P-1
TYPICAL SPANWIRE SIGNAL WIRING

NOTES:

1) WIRE TERMINATION TAKES PLACE AT SIGNAL HEADS.
2) LEFT TURN AND RIGHT TURN HEADS WIRED SEPARATELY.

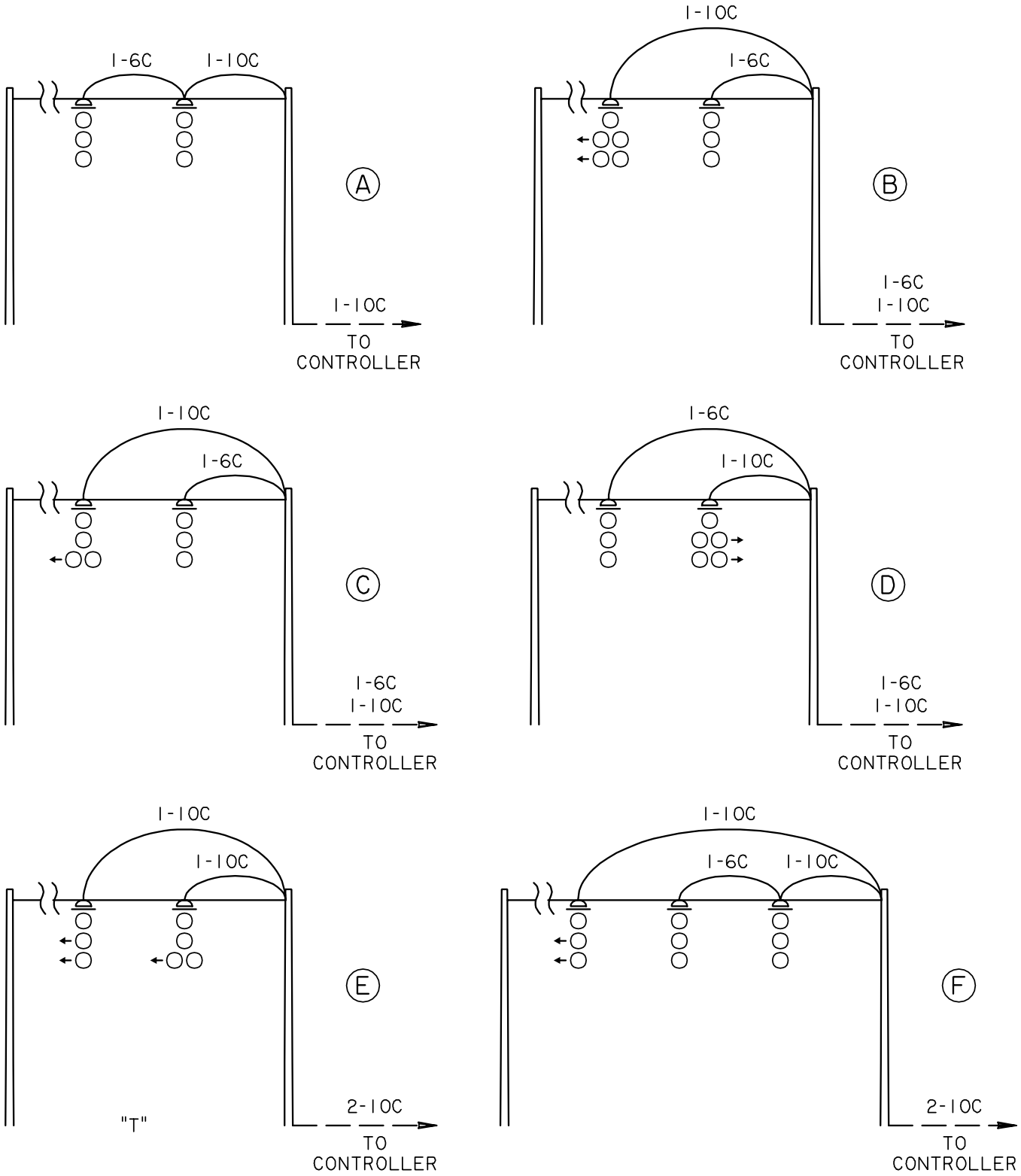


FIGURE 2P-1 (cont.)
TYPICAL SPANWIRE SIGNAL WIRING

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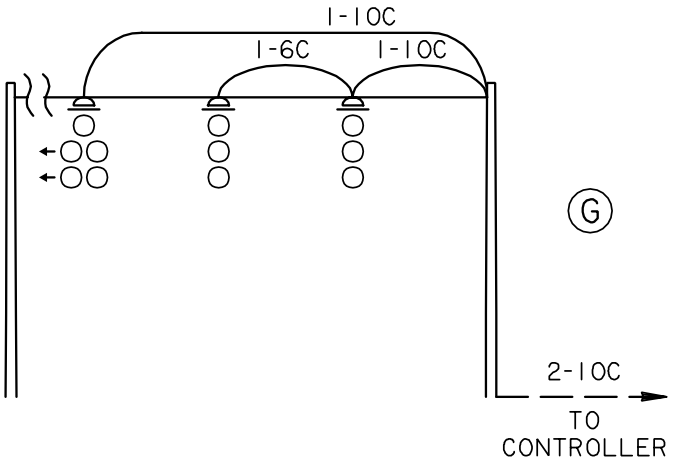

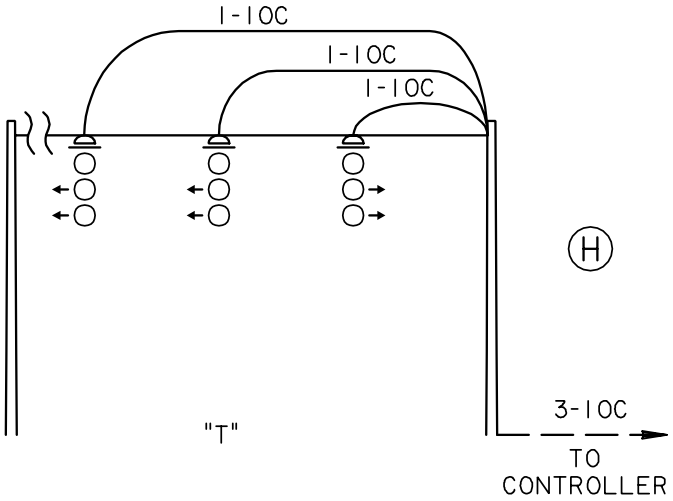

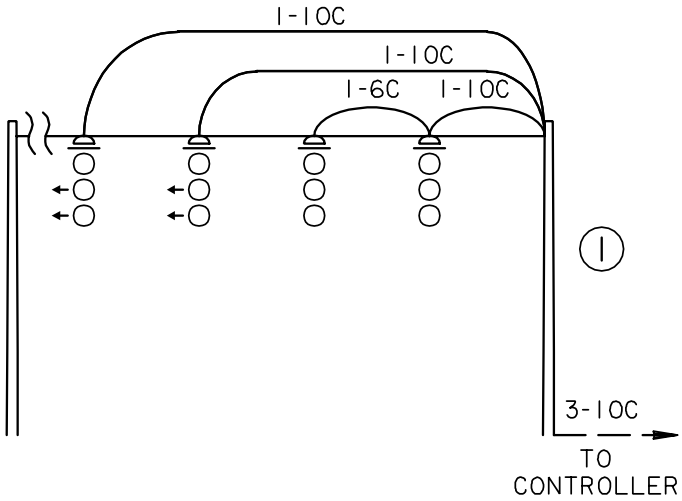

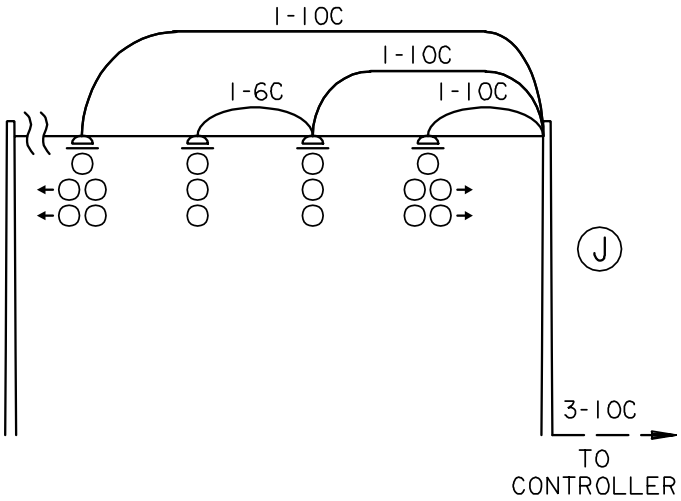

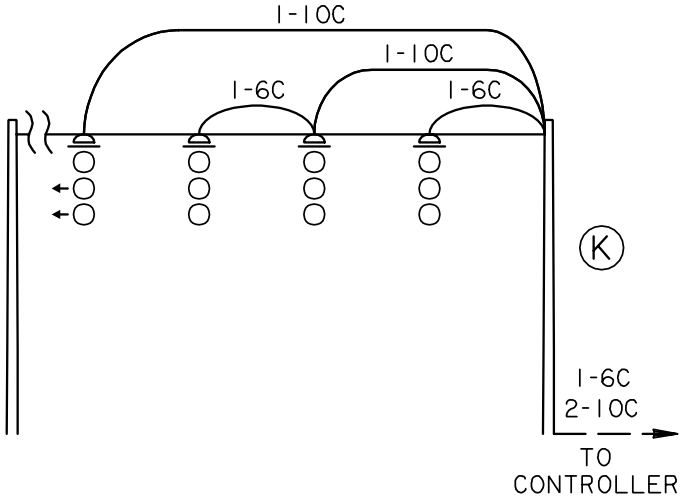

FIGURE 2P-2
TYPICAL MASTARM SIGNAL WIRING

NOTES:

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2) LEFT TURN AND RIGHT TURN HEADS WIRED SEPARATELY.

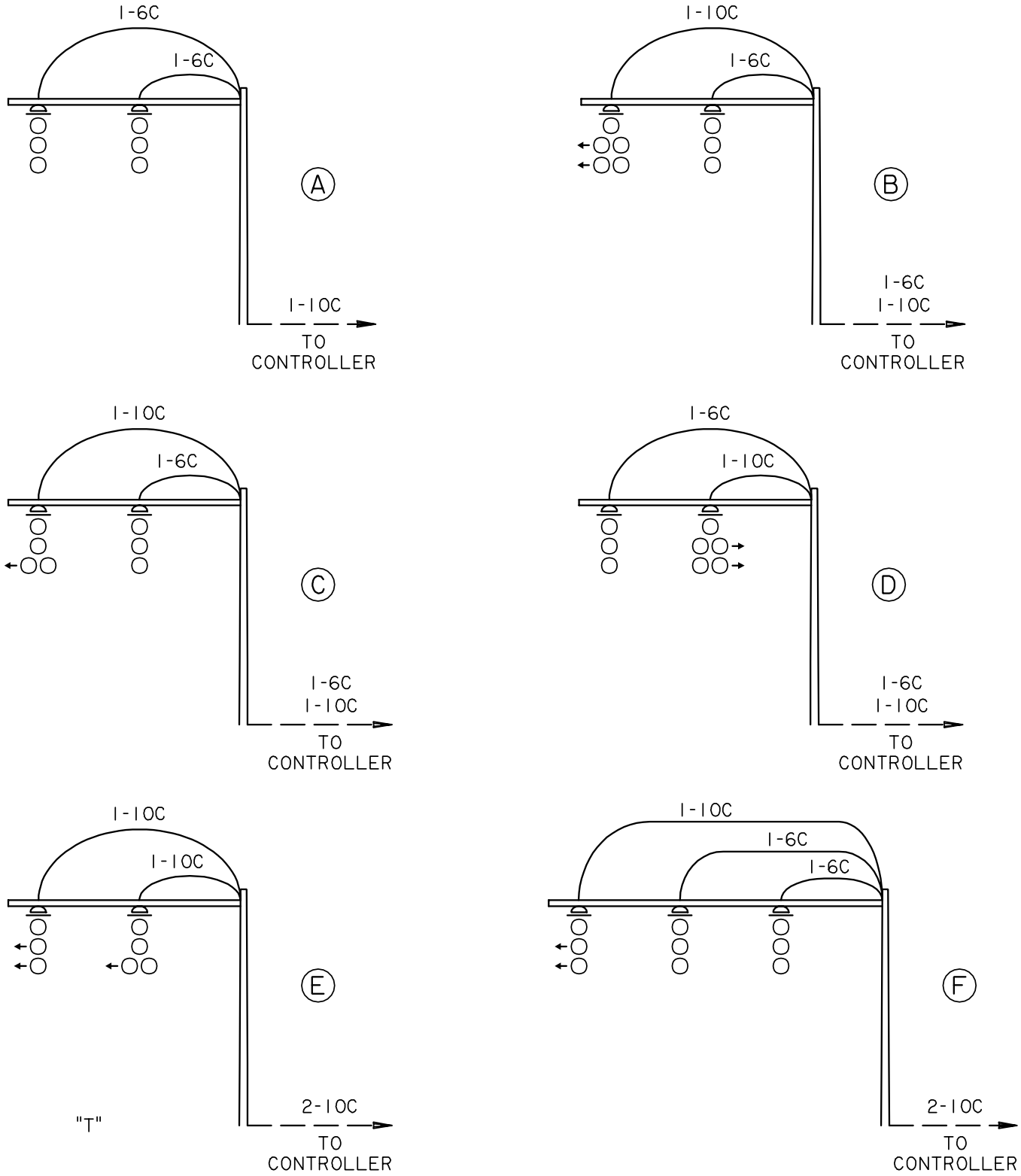

FIGURE 2P-2 (cont.)
TYPICAL MASTARM SIGNAL WIRING

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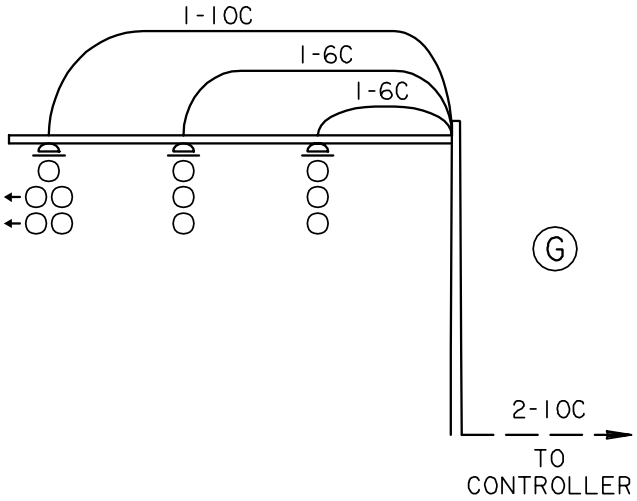
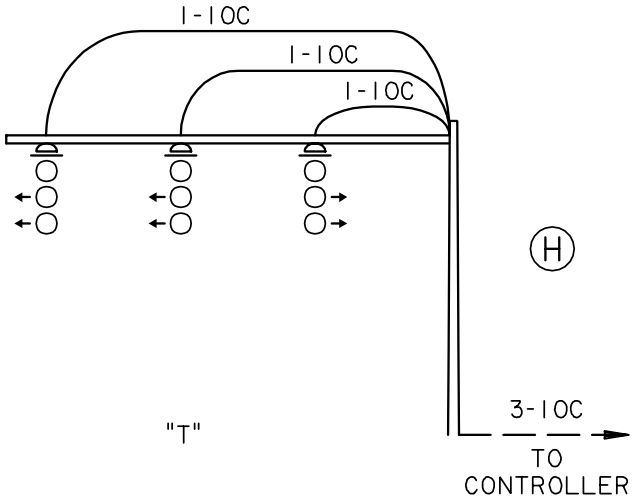
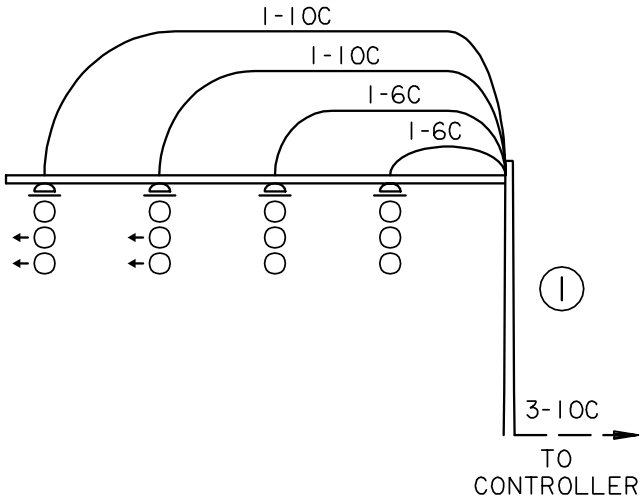
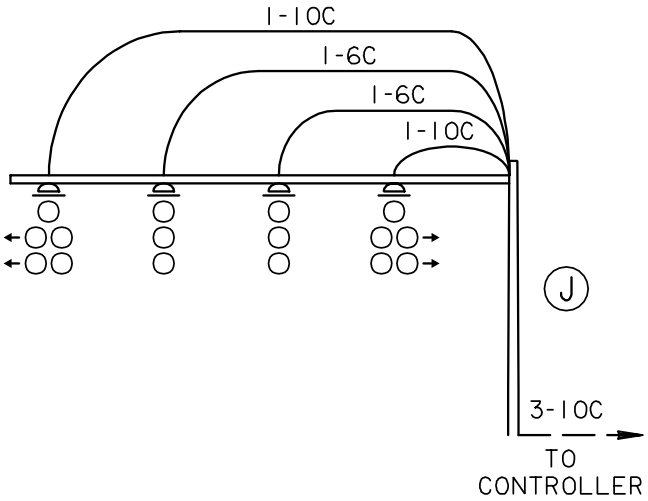








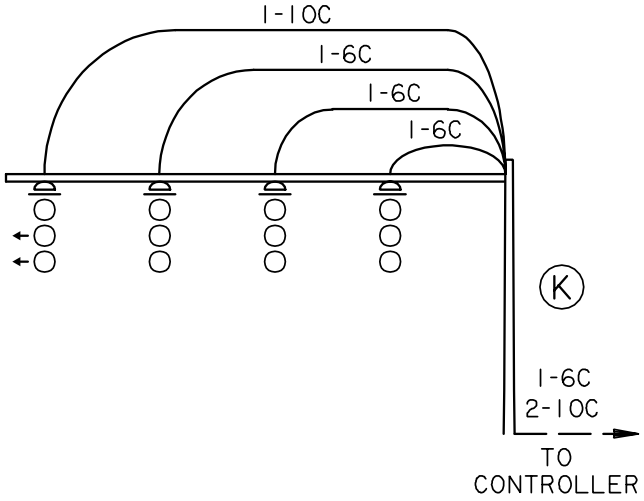
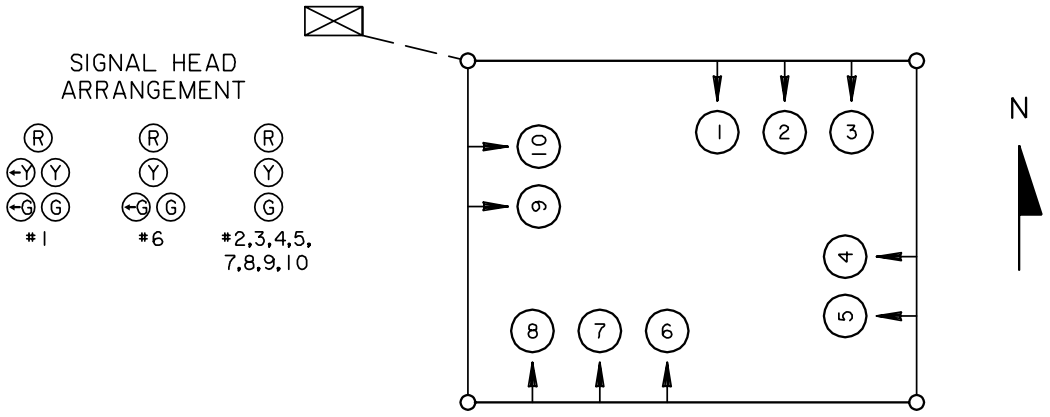
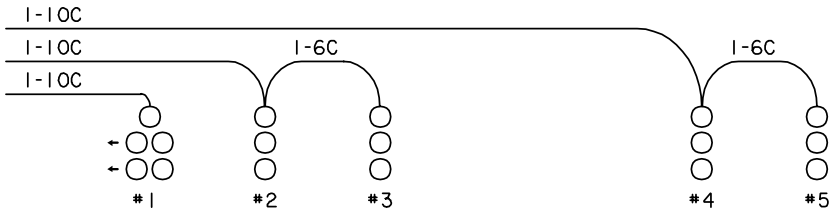


FIGURE 2P-3

SIGNAL WIRING
EXAMPLE PROBLEM (BOX SPAN)



STEP #1
SIGNAL HEAD
WIRING



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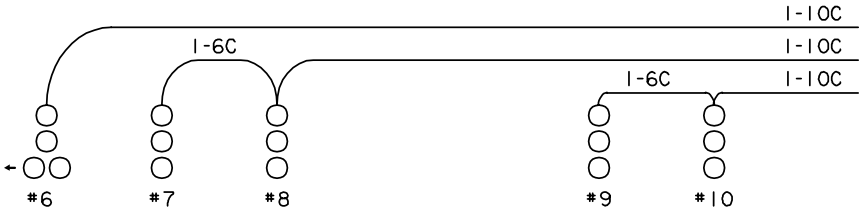
SIGNAL HEAD
WIRING



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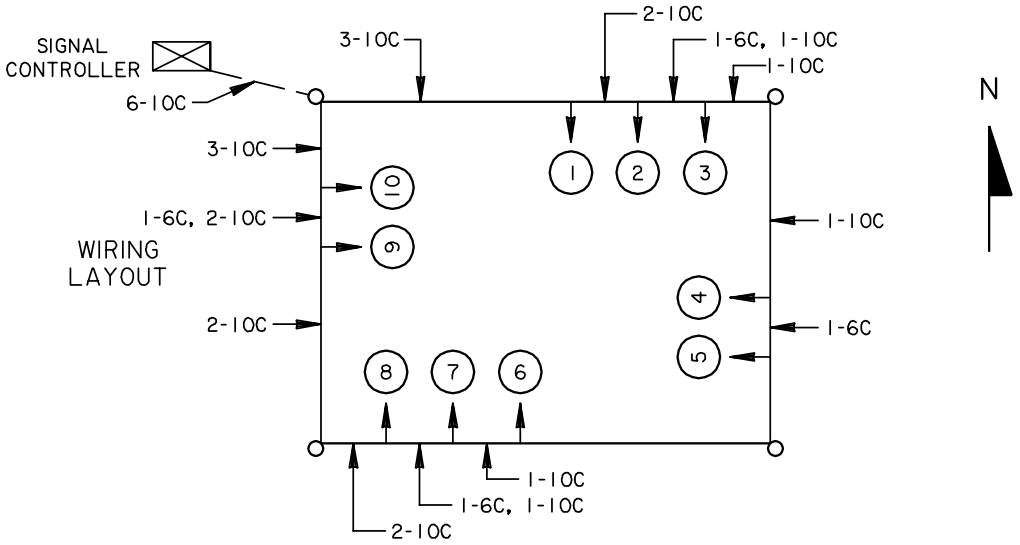
SIGNAL HEAD
WIRING
LAYOUT



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SIGNAL WIRING
EXAMPLE PROBLEM (BOX SPAN)

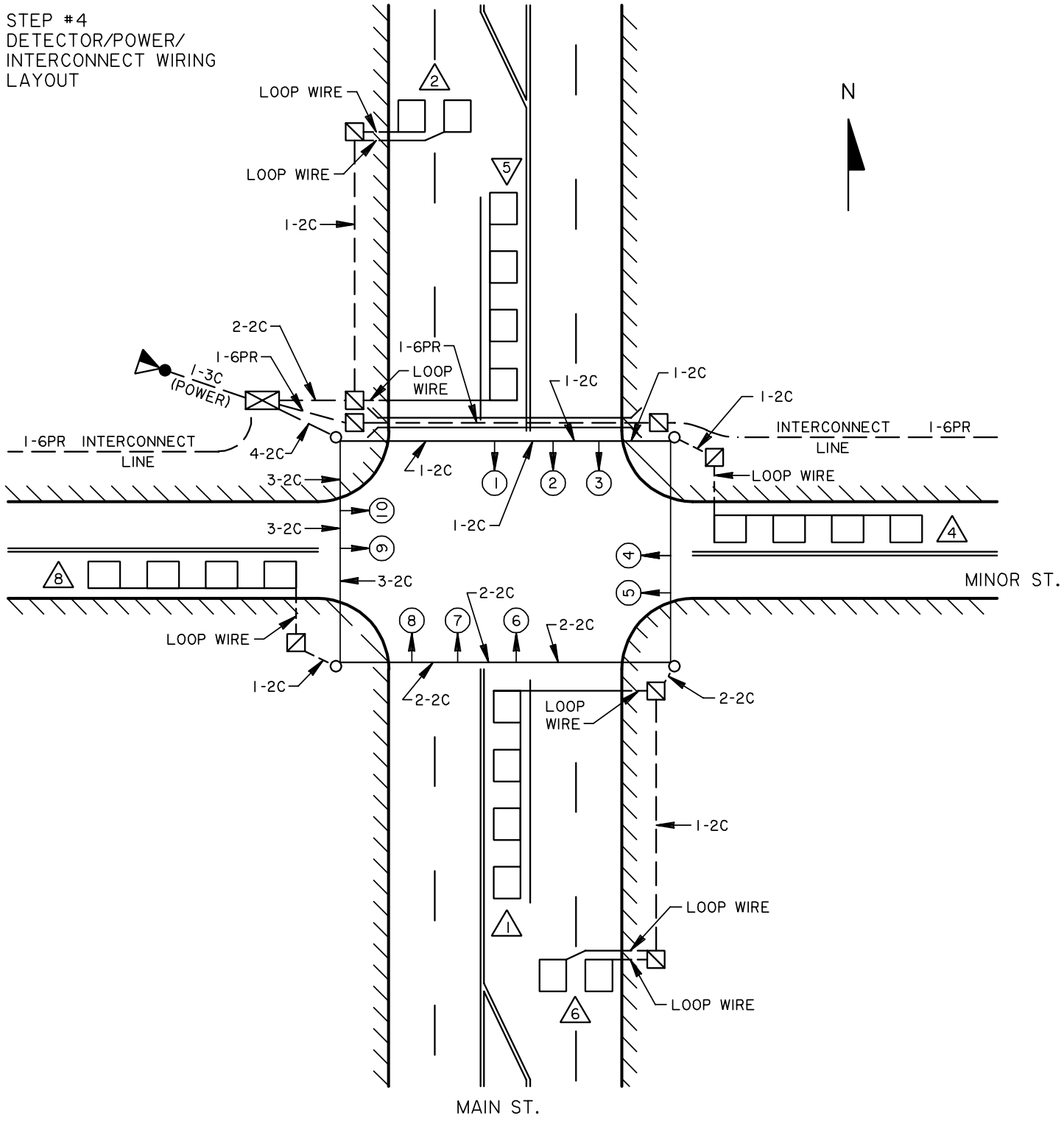
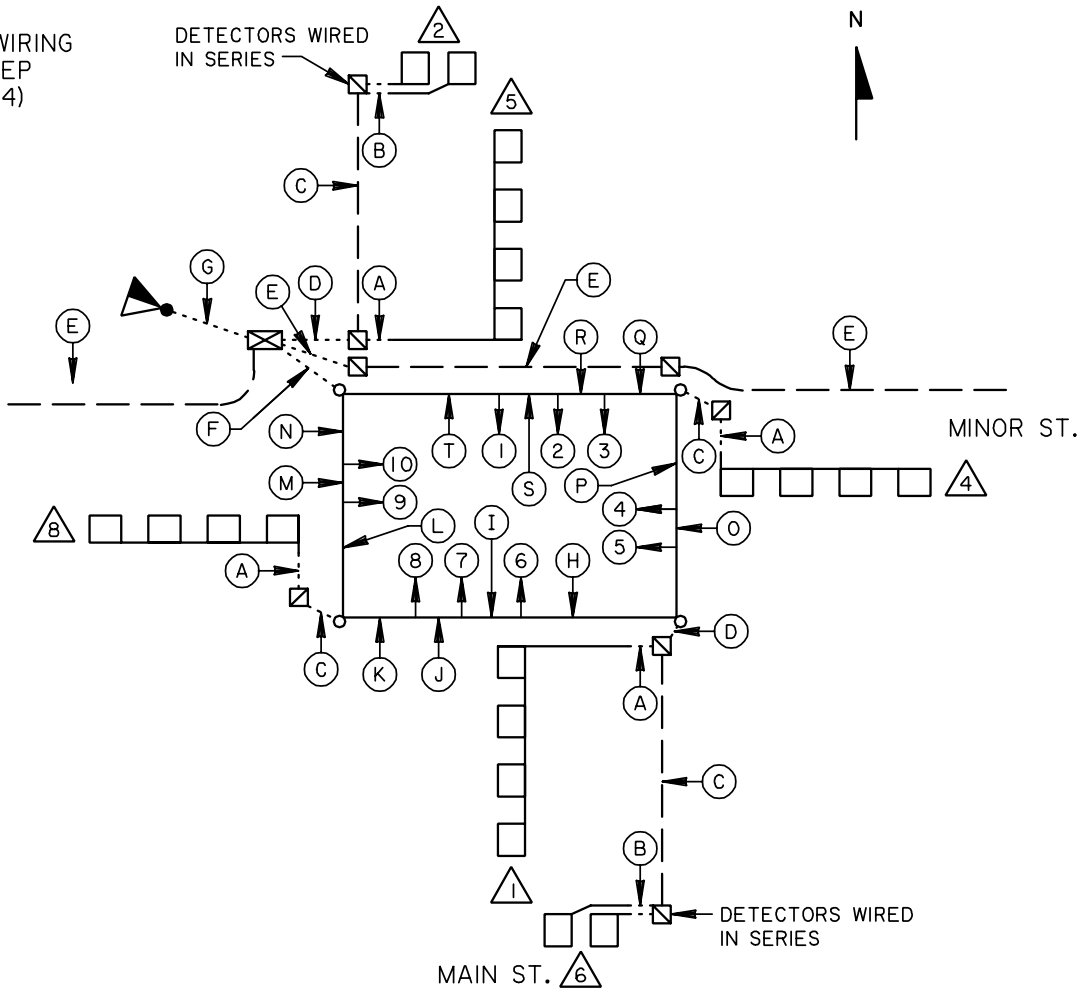


FIGURE 2P-3 (cont.)

SIGNAL WIRING EXAMPLE PROBLEM (BOX SPAN)

STEP #5
COMPOSITE WIRING
DIAGRAM (STEP
#3 + STEP #4)



SIZE OF UNDERGROUND CONDUIT FOR THE VARIOUS WIRING COMBINATIONS SHOWN BELOW IS DETERMINED BY USING TABLE 2P-2.

SIGNAL WIRING TABLE

WIRING CODE	WIRING TYPE						CONDUIT		LOCATION	
	LOOP WIRE	2C	3C	6C	10C	6PR	NO.	Ø SIZE	(UNDER GROUND)	(OVER HEAD)
A	(LOOP WIRE)						1	½"	✓	
B	(LOOP WIRE)						2	½"	✓	
C		1					1	1"	✓	
D		2					1	1"	✓	
E						1	1	2"	✓	
F		4			6		1	3"	✓	
G			1 (POWER)				1	2"	✓	
H		2								✓
I		2			1					✓
J		2		1	1					✓
K		2			2					✓
L		3			2					✓
M		3		1	2					✓
N		3			3					✓
O				1						✓
P					1					✓
Q		1			1					✓
R		1		1	1					✓
S		1			2					✓
T		1			3					✓

TABLE 2P-1
TRAFFIC SIGNAL DEVICE WIRING REQUIREMENTS

DEVICE	CONDUCTORS REQ'D.	WIRING TYPE
3 SECTION HEAD	1 - 6C	#14 AWG STRANDED
3 SECTION HEAD (TURN SIGNAL)	1 - 10C	#14 AWG STRANDED
4 SECTION HEAD (TURN SIGNAL)	1 - 10C	#14 AWG STRANDED
5 SECTION HEAD (TURN SIGNAL)	1 - 10C	#14 AWG STRANDED
PEDESTRIAN SIGNAL HEAD	1 - 6C	#14 AWG STRANDED
PEDESTRIAN PUSH BUTTON	1 - 2C	#14 AWG STRANDED & SHIELDED
EMERGENCY VEHICLE PREEMPTION DETECTOR	1 - 3C (EC)	VARIES W/MANUFACTURER
TRAFFIC SIGNAL CONTROLLER POWER SUPPLY	1 - 3C (POWER)	#6 AWG CONCENTRIC (VARIES W/RUN LENGTH)
STREET LIGHT	1 - 2C (SL)	#6 AWG
LOOP DETECTOR WIRE	1 - 1C (LOOP WIRE)	IMSA 51-7 #14 AWG W/19 STRANDED. INSULATION SHALL BE 0.035 XLPE WITH POLYETHYLENE LOOSE TUBE.
LOOP LEAD IN (HOME RUN) (1 PER PHASE)	1 - 2C	#14 AWG STRANDED & SHIELDED
INTERCONNECT CABLE	1 - 7C	#12 AWG STRANDED
INTERCONNECT CABLE	1 - 6PR (TWISTED PAIR)	IMSA 20-6 #19 AWG SOLID
INTERCONNECT CABLE	1 - FOC (FIBER OPTIC CABLE)	VARIES BY APPLICATION
RAILROAD INTERCONNECT	1 - 2C	#14 AWG STRANDED
INTERNALLY ILLUMINATED SIGN	1 - 3C	#14 AWG STRANDED
BLANK CUT SIGN	1 - 3C	#14 AWG STRANDED

SOURCE: LADOTD TRAFFIC SERVICES SECTION AND LOUISIANA STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS FOR ROADS AND BRIDGES.

TABLE 2P-2

CONDUCTOR SIZE (AREA - IN.^{2})

# OF COND.	2C STREET LIGHT	2C #14 LOOP LEAD IN	3C #6 POWER	2C PED PUSH BUTTON	3C INT. Ill SIGNS	3C EMER. COND.	6C #14 SIGNAL	6 PR. INTER CONN.	10C #14 SIGNAL	# OF COND.
1	0.5	0.096	0.750	0.096	0.105	0.071	0.167	0.388	0.292	1
2	1.0	0.192		0.192	0.210	0.142	0.334		0.584	2
3	1.5	0.289		0.289	0.315	0.213	0.501		0.876	3
4	2.0	0.385		0.385	0.420	0.284	0.668		1.168	4
5	2.5	0.481		0.481	0.525	0.355	0.835		1.460	5
6	3.0	0.577		0.577	0.630	0.426	1.002		1.752	6
7	3.5	0.673		0.673	0.735	0.497	1.169		2.044	7
8	4.0	0.770		0.770	0.840	0.568	1.336		2.336	8
9	4.5	0.866		0.866	0.945	0.639	1.503		2.628	9
10	5.0	0.962		0.962	1.050	0.710	1.670		2.920	10
11	5.5	1.058		1.058	1.155	0.781	1.837		3.212	11
12	6.0	1.154		1.154	1.260	0.852	2.004		3.504	12
13	6.5	1.251		1.251	1.365	0.923	2.171		3.796	13
14	7.0	1.347		1.347	1.470	0.994	2.338		4.088	14
15	7.5	1.443		1.443	1.575	1.065	2.505		4.380	15

CONDUIT CAPACITY (SCH. 80 PEC)

CONDUIT DIAMETER	MAX. CONDUIT CAPACITY (40% FILLED)
1"	0.278 IN.^{2}
2"	1.160 IN.^{2}
3"	2.590 IN.^{2}

NOTES:

A) TABLE ABBREVIATIONS:

COND - CONDUCTOR

PED - PEDESTRIAN

INT. ILL - INTERNALLY ILLUMINATED

EMGR. COND. - EMERGENCY CONDUCTORS

PR. INTER CONN. - PAIR INTERCONNECT

B) STANDARD CONDUIT SIZES NORMALLY SPECIFIED FOR THE FOLLOWING USES:

1) ½" DIAMETER - FOR EACH VEHICLE DETECTOR CURB PENETRATION (FOR LOOP WIRE)

2) 1" DIAMETER - FOR LOOP LEAD IN (HOME RUN) (FOR UP TO 2-2C)

3) 2" DIAMETER - FOR INTERCONNECT LINE (FOR 1-6PR OR FIBER OPTICS LINE)

4) 2" DIAMETER - FOR POWER FEED (FOR 1-3C)

C) GENERAL CONDUIT SIZING PROCEDURE:

1) TO DETERMINE CONDUIT SIZE NEEDED FOR A PARTICULAR COMBINATION OF CONDUCTORS, DETERMINE THE AREA OF ALL CONDUCTORS IN THE RUN USING THE TABLE ABOVE.

2) COMPARE TO THE CONDUIT CAPACITY SECTION OF THE TABLE TO DETERMINE THE CONDUIT SIZE REQUIRED. NOTE THAT THE CONDUIT CAPACITY SECTION OF THE TABLE IS CALCULATED TO FILL ONLY 40% OF THE ACTUAL CAPACITY OF THE CONDUIT IN ORDER TO ALLOW FOR THE VOIDS BETWEEN THE CONDUCTORS AND TO ALLOW FOR EASIER PULLING OF THE CONDUCTORS THROUGH THE CONDUIT.

Q. CONDUIT – Conduit used for traffic signal installation shall have the following characteristics:

1.0 Material Type

1.1 Underground: PEC (Polyethylene Conduit), Schedule 80

1.2 Above ground: RIGID

2.0 Depth Installed (Underground) – 18" (min.)

3.0 Sizing – The maximum size conduit to be used on LA DOTD signal installations shall be three (3) inch diameter. Where larger conduit capacity is required, multiple conduit runs will be used. The sizing of conduit shall be such as to not fill over 40% internal area of the conduit. (See Table 2P-2)

4.0 Boring and Jacking – Where boring and jacking of conduit is required to cross an intersection, a diagonal route across the intersection should be used to minimize quantities.

R. Junction Boxes – Junction boxes used in LADOTD signal installations shall meet current LADOTD standard specifications.

1.0 Purpose

1.1 To provide access to under ground detectors and interconnect cables.

1.2 To provide locations to consolidated separate runs of signal and detector cables.

1.3 To provide locations to facilitate the pulling of long runs of detector or interconnect cables.

1.4 To provide locations to store spare lengths of signal detector or interconnect cables

2.0 Type/Size/Use – Table 2R-1 shows the various size junction boxes and their normal application or use.

3.0 Spacing – The maximum spacing for junction boxes according to use is as follows:

3.1 Signal and detector runs – 150 ft.

3.2 Interconnect runs – 300 ft.

4.0 Material – Junction boxes are to be of heavy duty design in according with LA DOTD standards.

TABLE 2R-1
JUNCTION BOXES

Type	Size	Common Uses
D	12x12x13	1.At curb penetrations for vehicle detectors* 2.Street lights
E	13x24x12	1.Intermediate locations along detector home runs 2.Along 6 pair interconnect runs
F	17x30x12	At both ends of jacking and boring locations
G	24x36x18	For fiber optic runs
H	30x48x18	At controller cabinet location, to consolidate all wiring before entering the controller cabintet base.

***-** These boxes must contain only detector wiring.

S. STREET LIGHTING ON SIGNAL SUPPORTS

1.0 Justification – Street lighting may be justified at signalized intersections as follows:

1.1 Urban Locations - In urban areas where street lighting already exists along the highway.

1.2 Rural Locations - In rural locations where street lighting at the intersection would have a positive effect on the nighttime safety of the intersection.

2.0 Design – Where used on mast arms or strain poles, the street light support must be designed integral with the signal support. Where strain poles are used, the pole manufacturer must provide an acceptable design to LADOTD. This requirement shall be noted in the plans either in traffic signal general notes or the traffic signal intersection notes.

3.0 Funding – By local governments.

4.0 Maintenance – By City or Parish.

5.0 Mounting Height – 30 foot minimum above roadway.

6.0 Orientation (Horizontal) - 45° to the mast arm. (See Figure 2S-1)

7.0 Wiring Requirements

7.1 Circuit Breaker – A disconnect and fuse shall be located at the power pole location.

7.2 Color – Red.

7.3 Wire Type – 1-2 conductor, #6 AWG

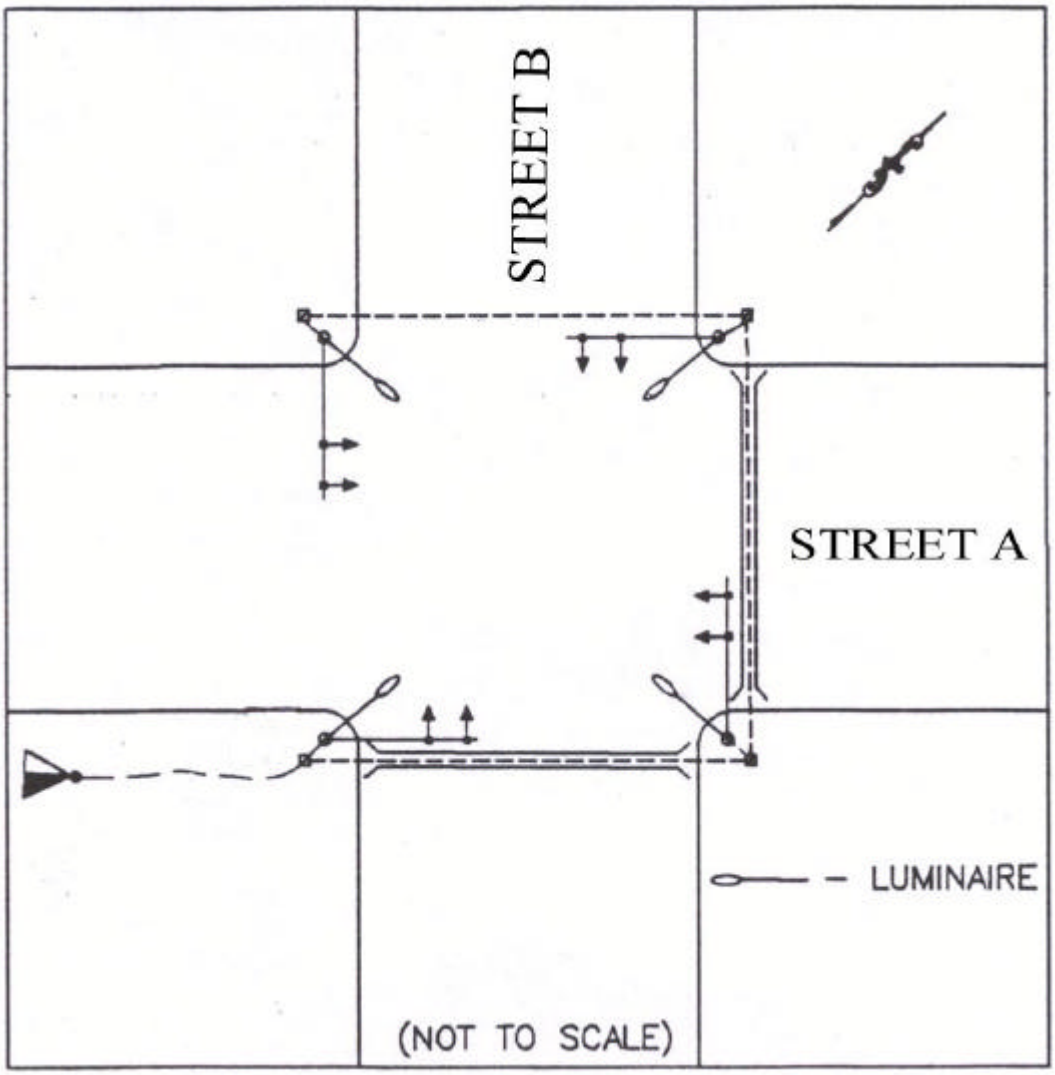
7.4 Conduit Size – 1” diameter PEC

7.5 Isolation – Street light conductors shall not be routed through the signal controller cabinet and shall have its own conduit and junction boxes.

7.6 Junction Boxes – Type “D”.

STREET LIGHT LOCATION
EXAMPLE

FIGURE 2S-1



NOTES:

1. Luminaires mounted on signal mast arm poles at a 45 degree angle to mast arm.
2. Lighting wiring/conduit/junction boxes to be separate.
3. Luminaire mounting height to be 30 ft. or as directed by project engineer. All overhead utility lines in conflict with street lights will be raised or relocated by the utility company.
4. Street light wiring to be terminated at the power source pole as shown above for power supply. Contractor to coordinate this with the utility company.
5. All junction boxes are type D.
6. All conduit shown is 1” diameter with 1-3 conductor cable.

T. FLASHING OPERATIONS – Flashing operations of a traffic signal shall comply with the MUTCD.

1.0 Justification – Flashing operations are normally justified at pretimed locations during these periods of the day when traffic volumes are too light to justify normal signal operations.

2.0 Methods of Initiation

2.1 Emergency – This type of flashing operation is usually initiated by either a conflict monitor (malfunction management unit) or a manual switch.

2.2 Programmed – This type of flashing operation is programmed in the controller to turn on and off at a particular time of day, usually when intersection traffic volumes are too light to justify normal signal operations. Isolated actuated traffic signals do not normally have a programmed flash mode operation.

3.0 Signal Display

3.1 All Red Flash – This type of flashing operation flashes red to all intersection approaches. It may be used under the following conditions:

3.1.1 Traffic Volumes – Traffic volumes on the two intersecting streets are approximately equal.

3.1.2 Minor Street Delay – Minor street traffic would experience excessive delays and/or hazard in trying to cross the major street with yellow flashing signal indications. Engineering judgment must be used to balance this benefit against the delay that will be experienced by the major street traffic.

3.1.3 Minor Street Sight Distance – Minor street traffic has insufficient sight distance to safely cross the major street with yellow flashing signal indications.

3.2 Yellow-Red Flash – This type flashing operation is the most common and flashes yellow to the major street and red to the minor street. Minor street sight distance as well as the difficulty the minor street traffic will have crossing the major street on flashing yellow must be considered.

3.2.1 Protected Only Left Turn Signals (3 Section Heads) – These signal heads shall be flashed red regardless of what color indication the adjacent signal heads are flashing.

3.2.2 Protected/Permitted Left Turn Signals (5 Section Heads) – These signals shall flash a circular indication of the same color as indications flashed in the adjacent signal head(s).

U. ESTIMATED QUANTITIES

1.0 LA DOTD PAY ITEMS[86] – Table 2U-1 is a listing of the item numbers for the frequently used pay items in preparing a set of signal plans. The table also shows the pay unit and decimal required for each item quantity.

2.0 SPECIAL MEASUREMENT METHODS

2.1 OVERHEAD WIRING AND SPANWIRE[87] - The quantity of signal and detector wiring when run in signal supports or overhead is not measured but is included either in the cost of the signal support or signal heads. Likewise signal spanwire is not measured but is included in the cost of the signal support.

2.2 SIGNAL SERVICE[88] – Each signal service assembly includes the pole, disconnect, ground rod and the wire and conduit on the service pole. These items are not measured separately.

2.3 LOOP DETECTORS[89] – The measurement of loop detectors includes the sawing of the roadway surface, the installed detector wire and the sealing of the saw cut.

3.0 PLANS WITH MULTIPLE SIGNAL LOCATIONS – Signal quantities for plans with multiple signal locations shall be shown in one composite table with a separate column for the quantities of each location.

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[86] LA DOTD, Schedule of Pay Items (English version), April, 2001.
[87] Louisiana Standard Specifications for Roads and Bridges, 2000 Edition, p. 502.
[88] Louisiana Standard Specifications for Roads and Bridges, 2000 Edition, p. 502.
[89] Louisiana Standard Specifications for Roads and Bridges, 2000 Edition, p. 503.

TABLE 2U-1
PAY ITEMS PREQUENTLY USED
IN SIGNAL PLANS

ITEM NO.	PAY ITEM	PAY UNIT	DECIMALS
202-02D	Removal of Concrete Walks & Drives	Sq. Yd.	0
706-01	Concrete Walk (___" thick)	Sq. Yd.	1
706-02	Concrete Walk (___" thick)	Sq. Yd.	1
713-01	Temporary Signs & Barricades	Lump Sum	0
713-02	Temporary Pavement Markings	Lump Sum	0
727-01	Mobilization	Lump Sum	0
729-01	Sign (Type A)	Sq. Ft.	1
729-21	U-Channel Post	Each	1
732-01	Plastic Pavement Striping (__" width)	L. Ft.	0
732-01-A	Plastic Pavement Striping (4" width)	L. Ft.	0
732-01-B	Plastic Pavement Striping (6" width)	L. Ft.	0
732-01-C	Plastic Pavement Striping (8" width)	L. Ft.	0
732-01-D	Plastic Pavement Striping (12" width)	L. Ft.	0
732-01-E	Plastic Pavement Striping (24" width)	L. Ft.	0
732-04-A	Plastic Pavement Legends & Symbols (Arrow)	Each	0
732-04-B	Plastic Pavement Legends & Symbols (Double Arrow)	Each	0
732-04-C	Plastic Pavement Legends & Symbols (Only)	Each	0
736-01	Trenching & Backfilling	L. Ft.	0
736-03	Jacking or Boring Conduit (size & conduit type)	L. Ft.	0
736-04	Signal Support (size & type)	Each	0
736-05	Signal Heads (type)	Each	0
736-06	Signal Service	Each	0
736-08	Signal Controller	Each	0
736-09	Loop Detectors	L. Ft.	0
736-10	Underground Junction Box	Each	0
736-11	Conduit (size & type)	L. Ft.	0
736-12	Conductor (size & type)	L. Ft.	0
736-13	Cable (size & type)	L. Ft.	0

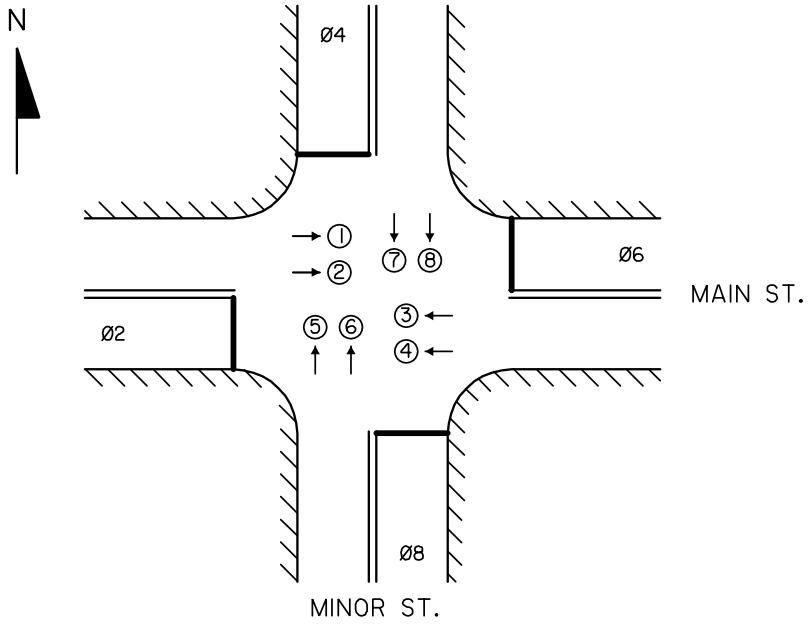
V. TYPICAL SIGNAL LAYOUT PLANS

The purpose of this section is to provide examples of the most common signal installations, both for 4-way as well as “T” Intersections. It applies the standards set forth in the previous sections of this manual in regards to signal heads, signal phasing, overhead signs, and signal detectors. A primary sequence chart is also provided for each signal layout. The individual plans are shown in Figures 2V-1 thru 2V-29.

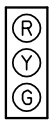
FIGURE 2V-1

SIGNAL LAYOUT PLAN

2 PHASE, PRETIMED



SIGNAL HEADS



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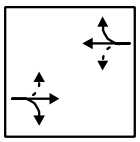
OVERHEAD SIGNS

NONE APPLICABLE

PRIMARY SIGNAL SEQUENCE

FACE NO.	Ø2+Ø6			Ø4+Ø8		
	R/W	CLEAR TO Ø4+Ø8		R/W	CLEAR TO Ø2+Ø6	
1, 2	G	Y	R	R	R	R
3, 4	G	Y	R	R	R	R
5, 6	R	R	R	G	Y	R
7, 8	R	R	R	G	Y	R

PHASES



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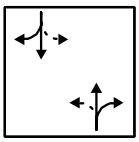
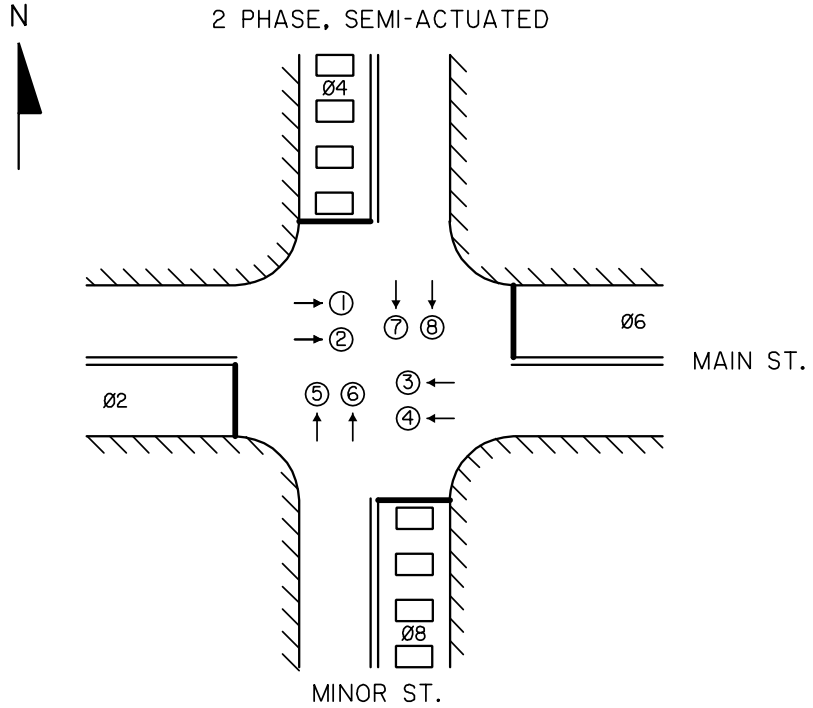


Ø4+Ø8

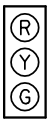
FIGURE 2V-2

SIGNAL LAYOUT PLAN

2 PHASE, SEMI-ACTUATED



SIGNAL HEADS



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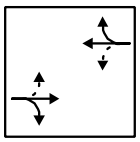
OVERHEAD SIGNS

NONE APPLICABLE

PRIMARY SIGNAL SEQUENCE

FACE NO.	Ø2+Ø6			Ø4+Ø8		
	R/W	CLEAR TO Ø4+Ø8		R/W	CLEAR TO Ø2+Ø6	
1, 2	G	Y	R	R	R	R
3, 4	G	Y	R	R	R	R
5, 6	R	R	R	G	Y	R
7, 8	R	R	R	G	Y	R

PHASES



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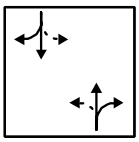
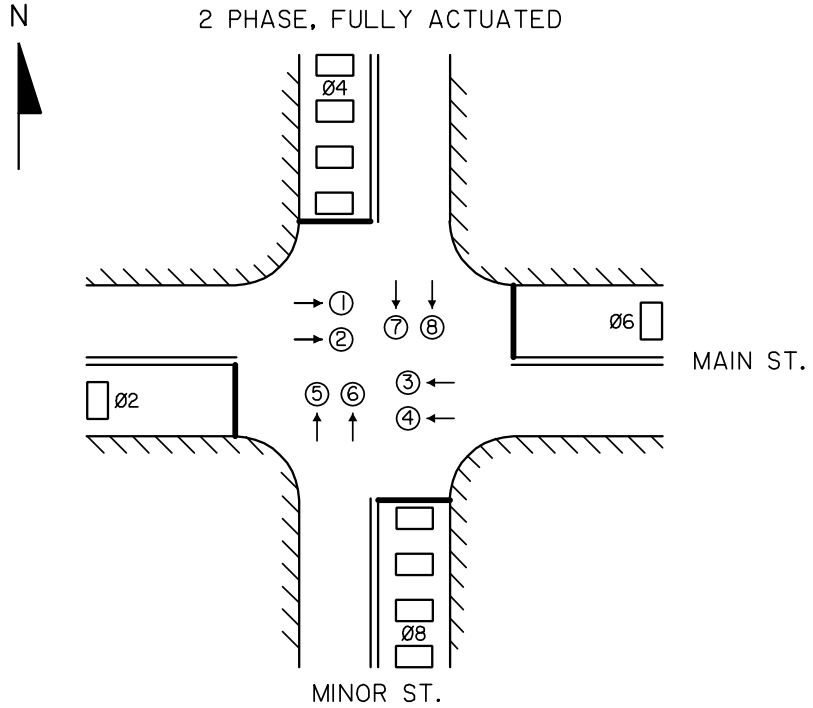


Ø4+Ø8

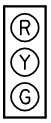
FIGURE 2V-3

SIGNAL LAYOUT PLAN

2 PHASE, FULLY ACTUATED



SIGNAL HEADS



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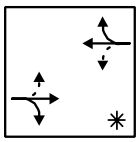
OVERHEAD SIGNS

NONE APPLICABLE

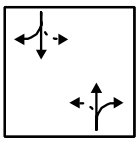
PRIMARY SIGNAL SEQUENCE

FACE NO.	Ø2+Ø6			Ø4+Ø8		
	R/W	CLEAR TO Ø4+Ø8		R/W	CLEAR TO Ø2+Ø6	
1, 2	G	Y	R	R	R	R
3, 4	G	Y	R	R	R	R
5, 6	R	R	R	G	Y	R
7, 8	R	R	R	G	Y	R

PHASES



Ø2+Ø6



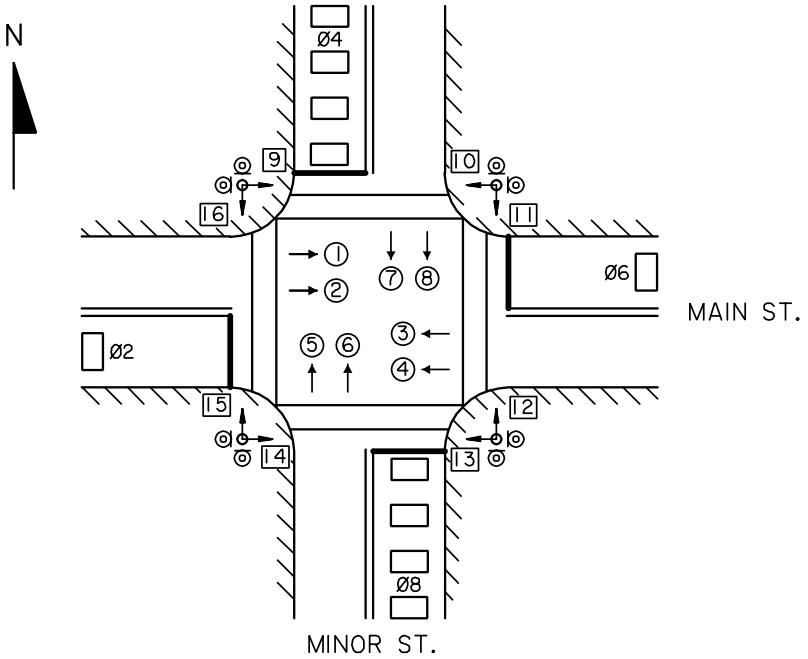
Ø4+Ø8

✳ - PHASE ON MIN. RECALL

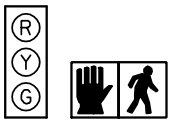
FIGURE 2V-4

SIGNAL LAYOUT PLAN

2 PHASE, FULLY ACTUATED,
W/PEDESTRIAN PHASES



SIGNAL HEADS



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LEGEND

PEDESTRIAN PUSH BUTTON
W/PUSH BUTTON SIGN (R10-4)

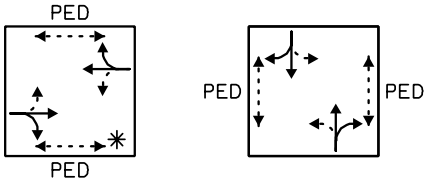
OVERHEAD SIGNS

NONE APPLICABLE

PRIMARY SIGNAL SEQUENCE

FACE NO.	Ø2+Ø6				Ø4+Ø8			
	R/W		CLEAR TO Ø4+Ø8		R/W		CLEAR TO Ø2+Ø6	
1, 2	G	G	Y	R	R	R	R	R
3, 4	G	G	Y	R	R	R	R	R
5, 6	R	R	R	R	G	G	Y	R
7, 8	R	R	R	R	G	G	Y	R
9, 10	W	FDW	FDW	FDW	DW	DW	DW	DW
11,12	DW	DW	DW	DW	W	FDW	FDW	FDW
13, 14	W	FDW	FDW	FDW	DW	DW	DW	DW
15, 16	DW	DW	DW	DW	W	FDW	FDW	FDW

PHASES



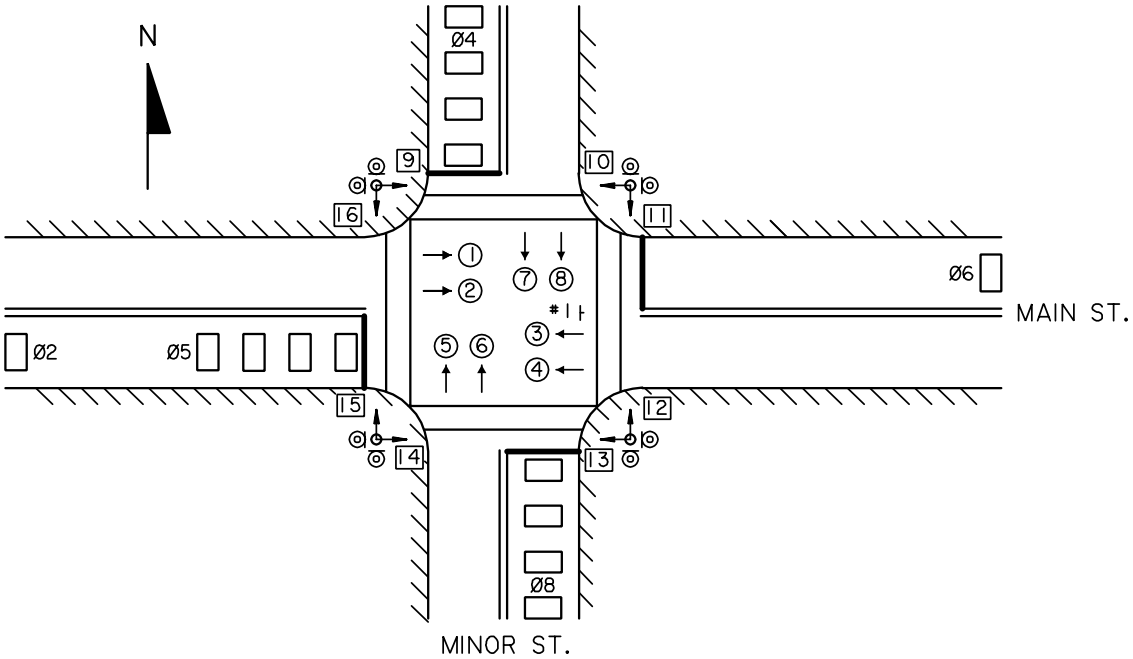
Ø2+Ø6 Ø4+Ø8

✳ - VEHICLE PHASE ON MIN. RECALL

FIGURE 2V-5

SIGNAL LAYOUT PLAN

3 PHASE, FULLY ACTUATED
LEADING PROTECTED/PERMITTED LEFT TURN
W/PEDESTRIAN PHASES



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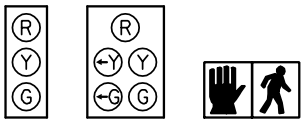

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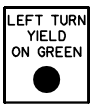
LEGEND

PEDESTRIAN PUSH BUTTON W/PUSH BUTTON SIGN (R10-4)

#11 OVERHEAD SIGN

OVERHEAD SIGNS

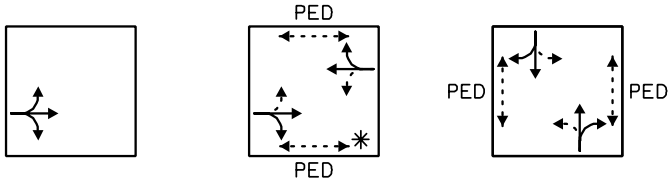


R10-12
#1

PRIMARY SIGNAL SEQUENCE

FACE NO.	Ø2+Ø5			Ø2+Ø6				Ø4+Ø8			
	R/W	CLEAR TO Ø2+Ø6		R/W		CLEAR TO Ø4+Ø8		R/W		CLEAR TO Ø2+Ø5	
1, 2	R	R	R	G	G	Y	R	R	R	R	R
3	G/←G	G/←Y	G	G	G	Y	R	R	R	R	R
4	G	G	G	G	G	Y	R	R	R	R	R
5, 6	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	G	G	Y	R
7, 8	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	G	G	Y	R
9, 10	DW	DW	DW	W	FDW	FDW	FDW	DW	DW	DW	DW
11,12	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	W	FDW	FDW	FDW
13, 14	DW	DW	DW	W	FDW	FDW	FDW	DW	DW	DW	DW
15, 16	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	W	FDW	FDW	FDW

PHASES



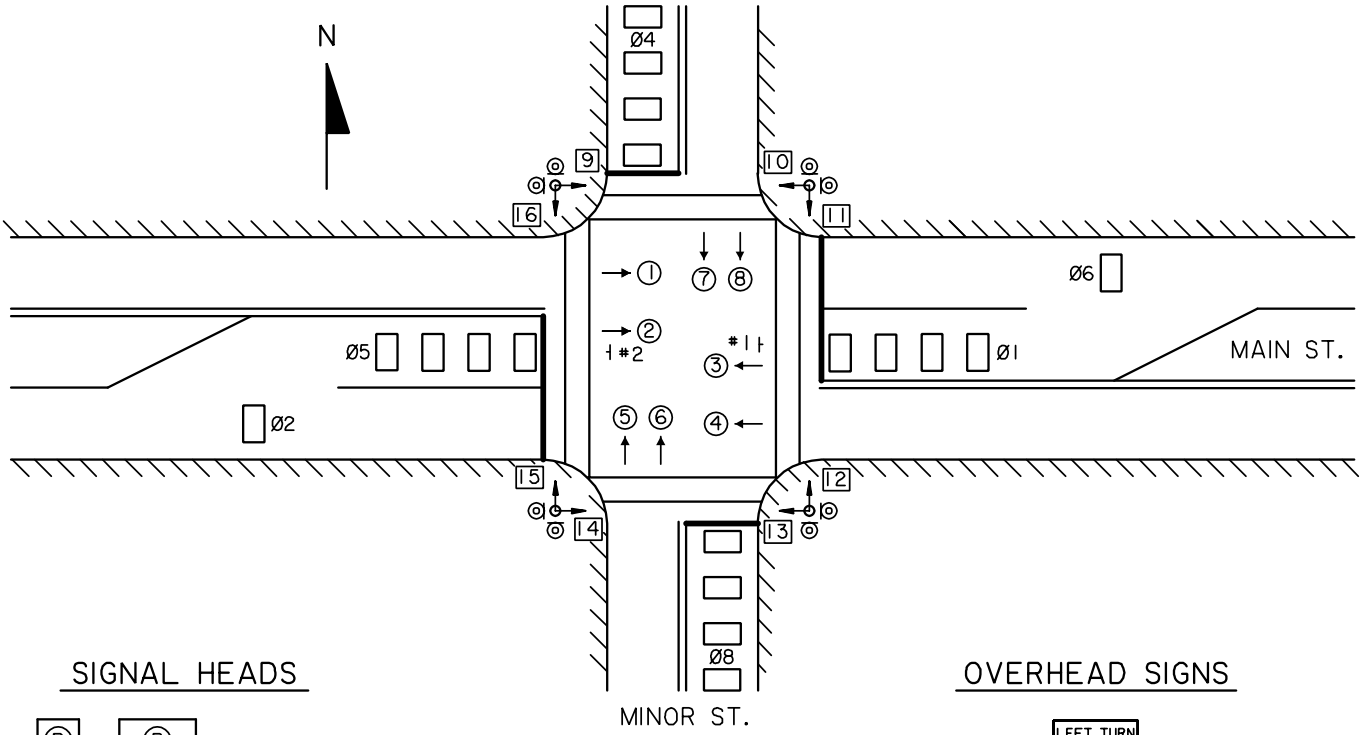
Ø2+Ø5 Ø2+Ø6 Ø4+Ø8

✳ - VEHICLE PHASE ON MIN. RECALL

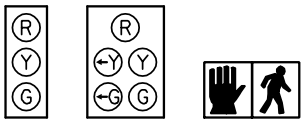
FIGURE 2V-6

SIGNAL LAYOUT PLAN

3 PHASE, FULLY ACTUATED
SIMULTANEOUS LEADING PROTECTED/PERMITTED LT. TURNS
W/PEDESTRIAN PHASES



SIGNAL HEADS



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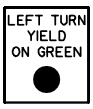
LEGEND

PEDESTRIAN PUSH BUTTON W/PUSH BUTTON SIGN (R10-4)

OVERHEAD SIGN

OVERHEAD SIGNS

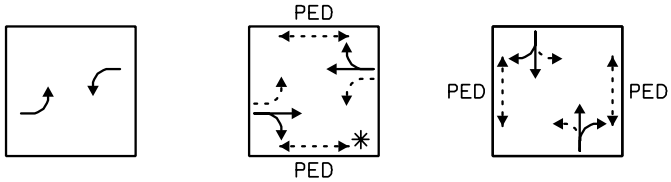


R10-12
#1,2

PRIMARY SIGNAL SEQUENCE

FACE NO.	Ø1+Ø5			Ø2+Ø6				Ø4+Ø8			
	R/W	CLEAR TO Ø2+Ø6		R/W		CLEAR TO Ø4+Ø8		R/W		CLEAR TO Ø1+Ø5	
1	R	R	R	G	G	Y	R	R	R	R	R
2	R/←G	R/←Y	R	G	G	Y	R	R	R	R	R
3	R/←G	R/←Y	R	G	G	Y	R	R	R	R	R
4	R	R	R	G	G	Y	R	R	R	R	R
5, 6	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	G	G	Y	R
7, 8	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	G	G	Y	R
9, 10	DW	DW	DW	W	FDW	FDW	FDW	DW	DW	DW	DW
11,12	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	W	FDW	FDW	FDW
13, 14	DW	DW	DW	W	FDW	FDW	FDW	DW	DW	DW	DW
15, 16	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	W	FDW	FDW	FDW

PHASES



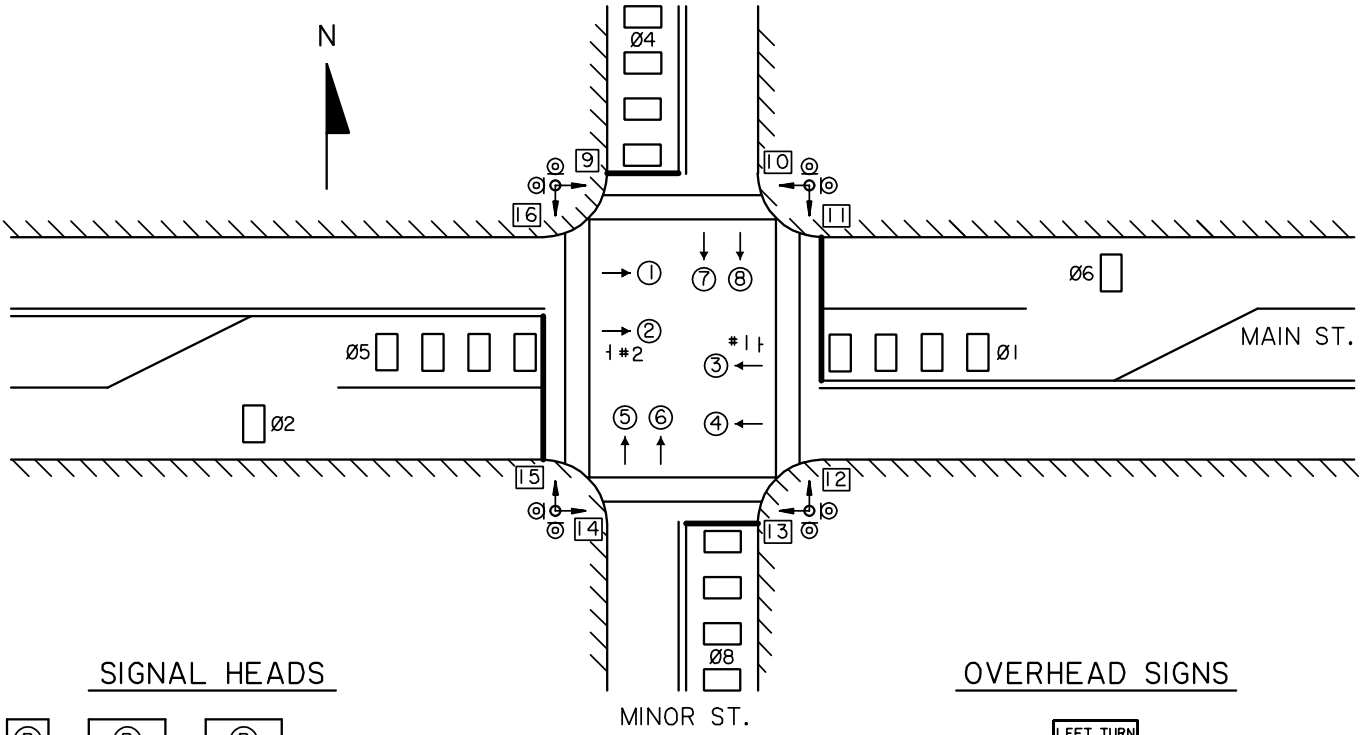
Ø1+Ø5 Ø2+Ø6 Ø4+Ø8

✳ - VEHICLE PHASE ON MIN. RECALL

FIGURE 2V-7

SIGNAL LAYOUT PLAN

4 PHASE, FULLY ACTUATED
SIMULTANEOUS LEADING PROTECTED/PERMITTED LT. TURNS, SIDE ST. SPLIT
W/PEDESTRIAN PHASES



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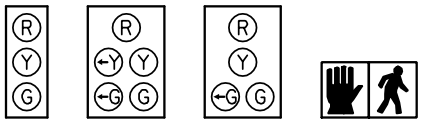

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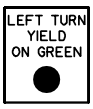
LEGEND

PEDESTRIAN PUSH BUTTON W/PUSH BUTTON SIGN (R10-4)

OVERHEAD SIGN

OVERHEAD SIGNS



R10-12
#1,2

PRIMARY SIGNAL SEQUENCE

FACE NO.	Ø1+Ø5			Ø2+Ø6				Ø4				Ø8			
	R/W	CLEAR TO Ø2+Ø6		R/W		CLEAR TO Ø4		R/W		CLEAR TO Ø8		R/W		CLEAR TO Ø1+Ø5	
1	R	R	R	G	G	Y	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
2	R/←G	R/←Y	R	G	G	Y	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
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6	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	G/←G	G/←G	Y	R	R	R	R	R
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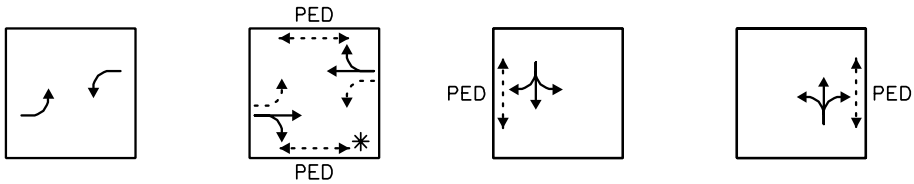
9, 10	DW	DW	DW	W	FDW	FDW	FDW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW
11,12	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	W	FDW	FDW	FDW
13, 14	DW	DW	DW	W	FDW	FDW	FDW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW
15, 16	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	W	FDW	FDW	FDW	DW	DW	DW	DW

PHASES



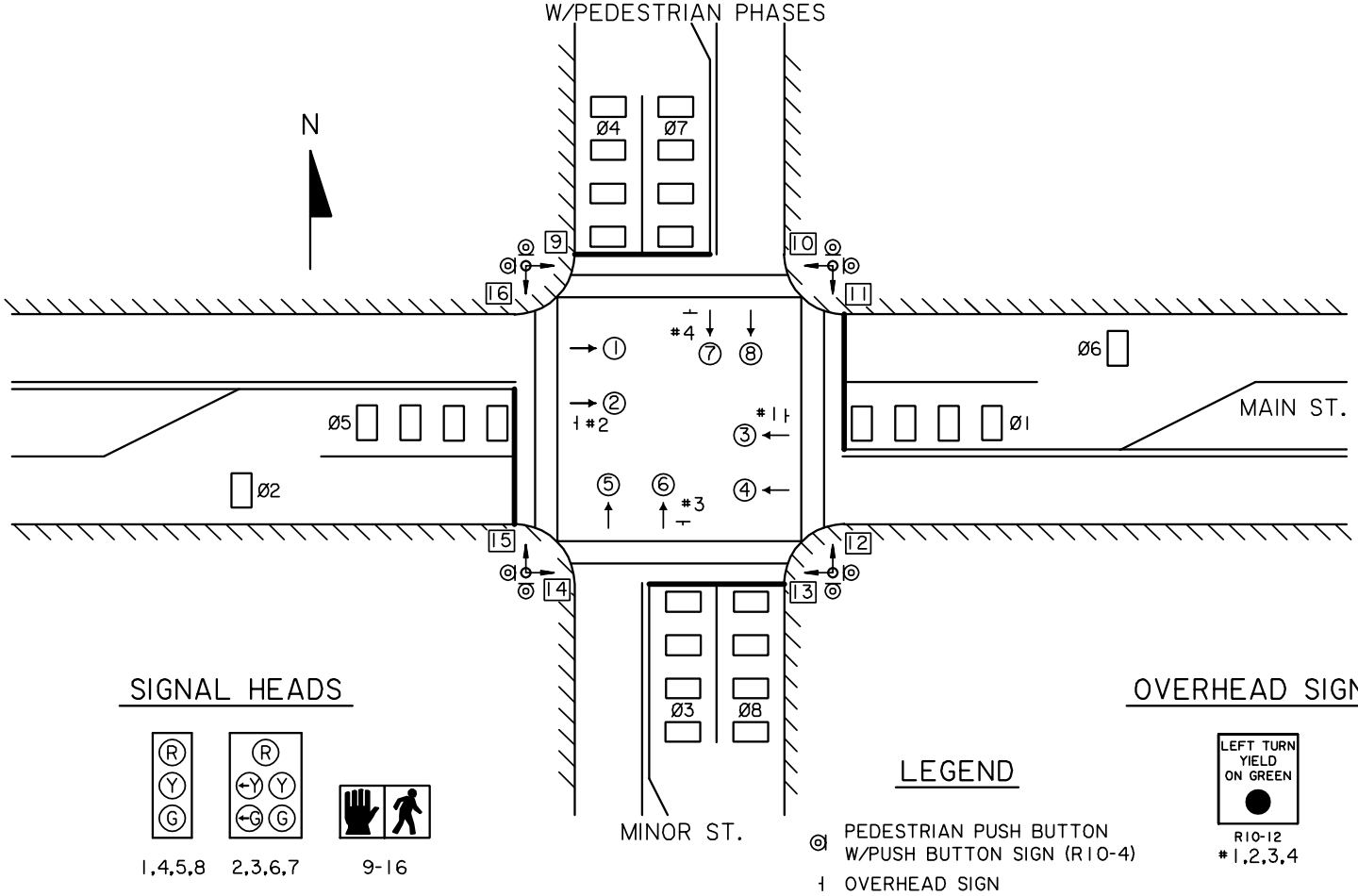
Ø1+Ø5 Ø2+Ø6 Ø4 Ø8

✳ - VEHICLE PHASE ON MIN. RECALL

FIGURE 2V-8

SIGNAL LAYOUT PLAN

4 PHASE, FULLY ACTUATED,
SIMULTANEOUS LEADING LT. TURNS, ON BOTH STREETS,
W/PEDESTRIAN PHASES



PRIMARY SIGNAL SEQUENCE

FACE NO.	Ø1+Ø5			Ø2+Ø6				Ø3+Ø7			Ø4+Ø8			
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2	R/←G	R/←Y	R	G	G	Y	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
3	R/←G	R/←Y	R	G	G	Y	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
4	R	R	R	G	G	Y	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
5	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	G	G	Y	R
6	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R/←G	R/←Y	R	G	G	Y	R
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8	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	G	G	Y	R
9, 10	DW	DW	DW	W	FDW	FDW	FDW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW
11,12	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	W	FDW	FDW	FDW
13, 14	DW	DW	DW	W	FDW	FDW	FDW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW
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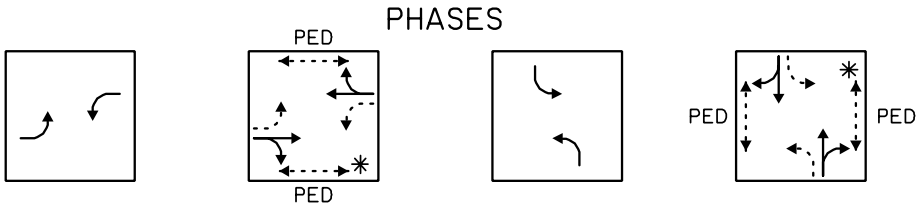
PHASES

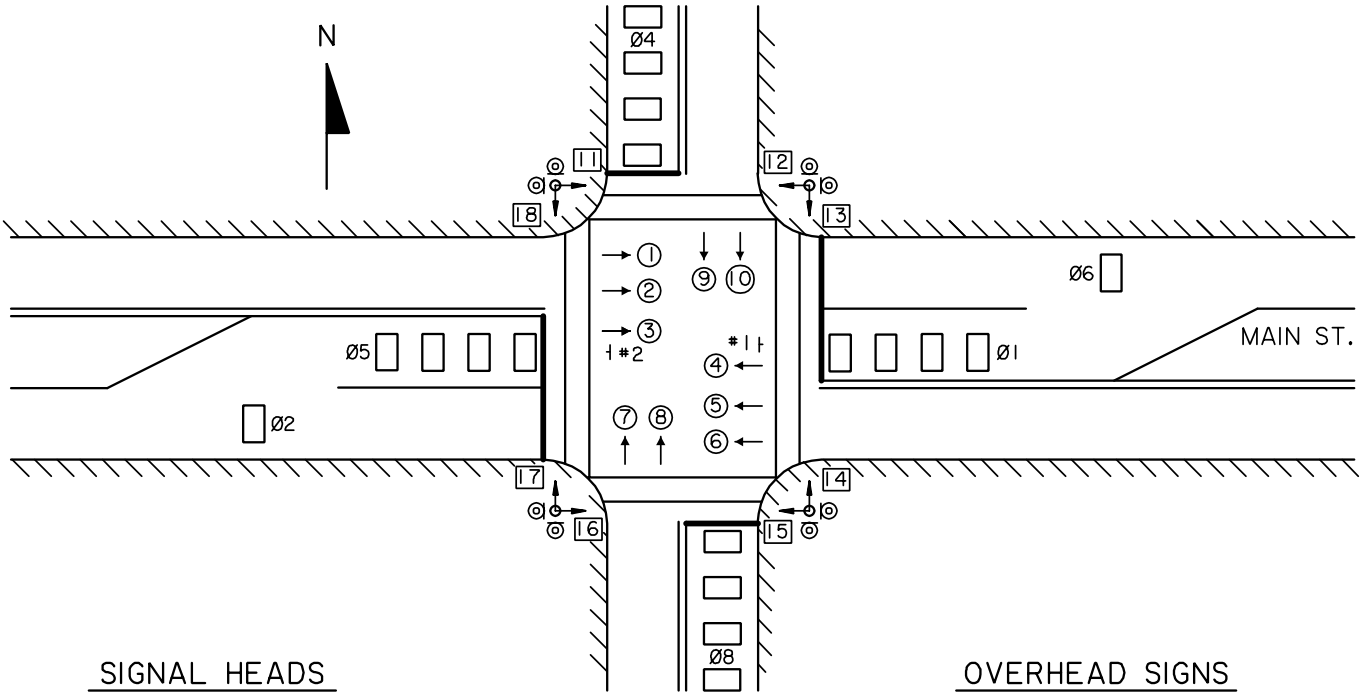


✳ - VEHICLE PHASE ON MIN. RECALL

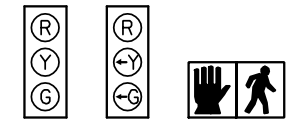
FIGURE 2V-9

SIGNAL LAYOUT PLAN

4 PHASE, FULLY ACTUATED
LEAD/LAG PROTECTED ONLY LT. TURNS
W/PEDESTRIAN PHASES



SIGNAL HEADS



1,2,5-10 3,4 11-18

LEGEND

PEDESTRIAN PUSH BUTTON W/PUSH BUTTON SIGN (R10-4)

OVERHEAD SIGN

OVERHEAD SIGNS

R10-10
#1,2

PRIMARY SIGNAL SEQUENCE

FACE NO.	Ø2+Ø5			Ø2+Ø6				Ø1+Ø6				Ø4+Ø8			
	R/W	CLEAR TO Ø2+Ø6		R/W		CLEAR TO Ø1+Ø6		R/W		CLEAR TO Ø4+Ø8		R/W		CLEAR TO Ø2+Ø5	
1,2	R	R	R	G	G	G	G	G	G	Y	R	R	R	R	R
3	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	←G	←G	←Y	R	R	R	R	R
4	←G	←Y	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
5,6	G	G	G	G	G	Y	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
7,8	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	G	G	Y	R
9,10	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	G	G	Y	R
11,12	DW	DW	DW	W	W	W	W	W	FDW	FDW	FDW	DW	DW	DW	DW
13,14	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	W	FDW	FDW	FDW
15,16	W	W	W	W	FDW	FDW	FDW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW
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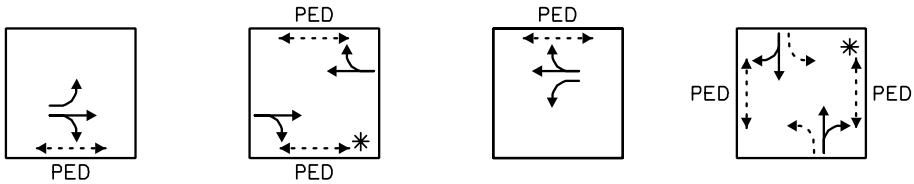
PHASES



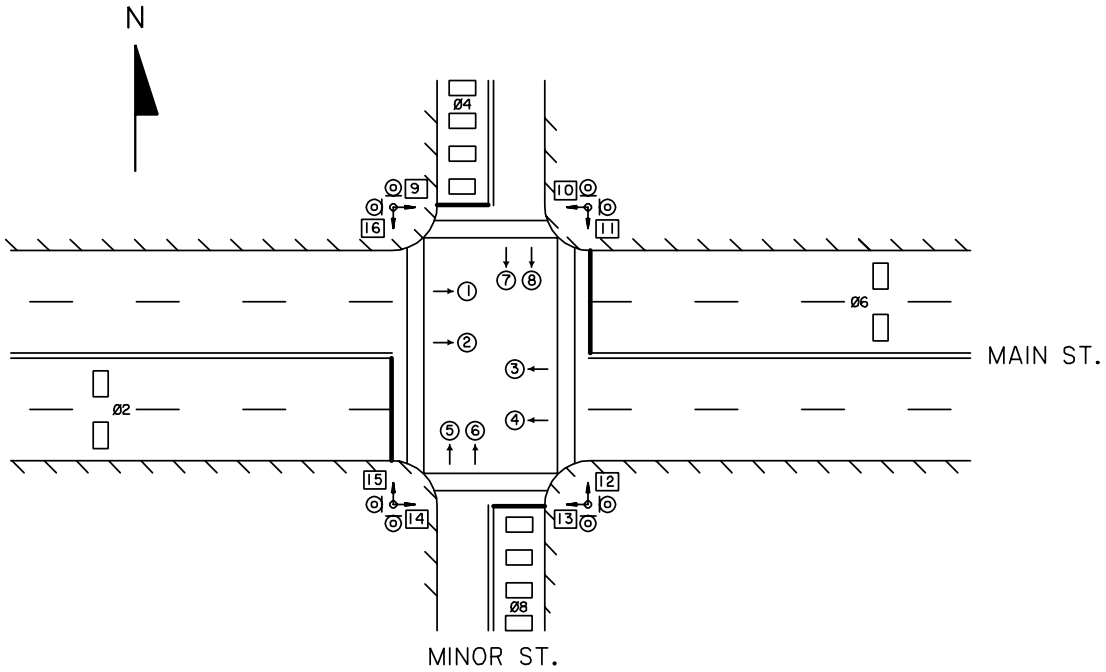
Ø2+Ø5 Ø2+Ø6 Ø1+Ø6 Ø4+Ø8

✳ - VEHICLE PHASE ON MIN. RECALL

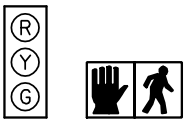
FIGURE 2V-10

SIGNAL LAYOUT PLAN

2 PHASE, FULLY ACTUATED,
W/PEDESTRIAN PHASES



SIGNAL HEADS



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OVERHEAD SIGNS

NONE REQUIRED

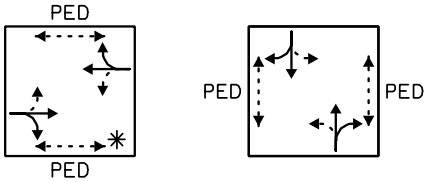
LEGEND

PEDESTRIAN PUSH BUTTON
W/PUSH BUTTON SIGN (R10-4)

PRIMARY SIGNAL SEQUENCE

FACE NO.	Ø2+Ø6				Ø4+Ø8			
	R/W		CLEAR TO Ø4+Ø8		R/W		CLEAR TO Ø2+Ø6	
1,2	G	G	Y	R	R	R	R	R
3,4	G	G	Y	R	R	R	R	R
5,6	R	R	R	R	G	G	Y	R
7,8	R	R	R	R	G	G	Y	R
9,10	W	FDW	FDW	FDW	DW	DW	DW	DW
11,12	DW	DW	DW	DW	W	FDW	FDW	FDW
13,14	W	FDW	FDW	FDW	DW	DW	DW	DW
15,16	DW	DW	DW	DW	W	FDW	FDW	FDW

PHASES



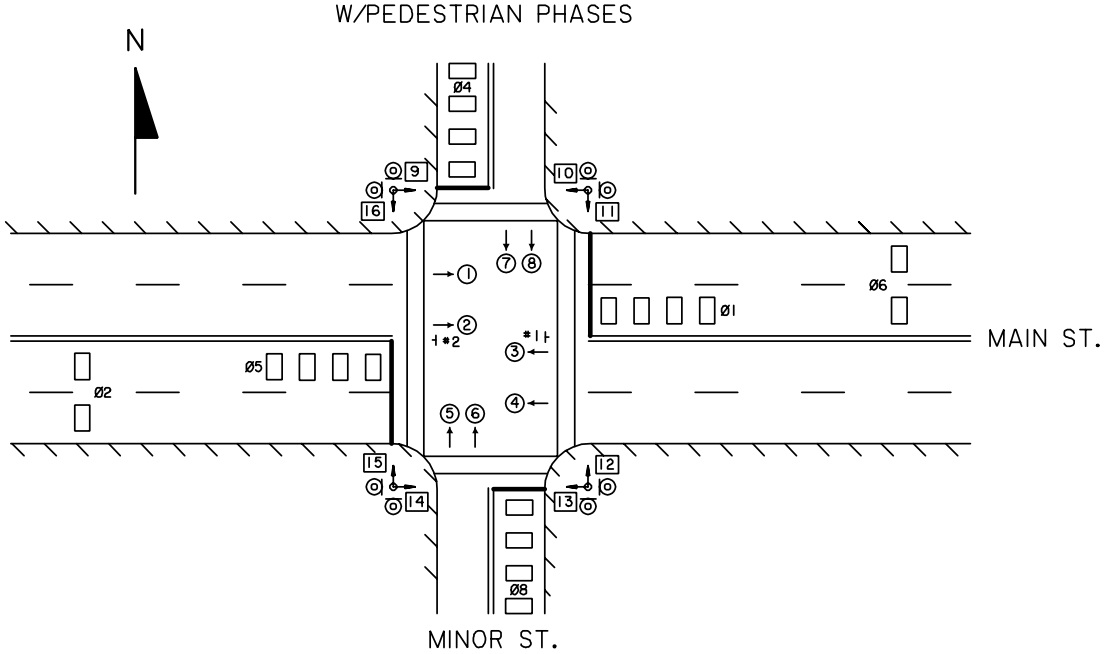
Ø2+Ø6 Ø4+Ø8

✳ - VEHICLE PHASE ON MIN. RECALL

FIGURE 2V-11

SIGNAL LAYOUT PLAN

4 PHASE, FULLY ACTUATED,
LEAD/LAG, PROTECTD/PERMITTED LT. TURNS,
W/PEDESTRIAN PHASES



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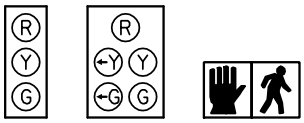

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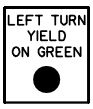
LEGEND

PEDESTRIAN PUSH BUTTON W/PUSH BUTTON SIGN (R10-4)

#11 OVERHEAD SIGN

OVERHEAD SIGNS



R10-12
#1,2

PRIMARY SIGNAL SEQUENCE

FACE NO.	Ø2+Ø5			Ø2+Ø6				Ø1+Ø6				Ø4+Ø8			
	R/W	CLEAR TO Ø2+Ø6		R/W		CLEAR TO Ø1+Ø6		R/W		CLEAR TO Ø4+Ø8		R/W		CLEAR TO Ø2+Ø5	
1	R	R	R	G	G	G	G	G	G	Y	R	R	R	R	R
2	R	R	R	G	G	G	G	G/←G	G/←G	Y/←Y	R	R	R	R	R
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5,6	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	G	G	Y	R
7,8	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	G	G	Y	R
9, 10	DW	DW	DW	W	W	W	W	W	FDW	FDW	FDW	DW	DW	DW	DW
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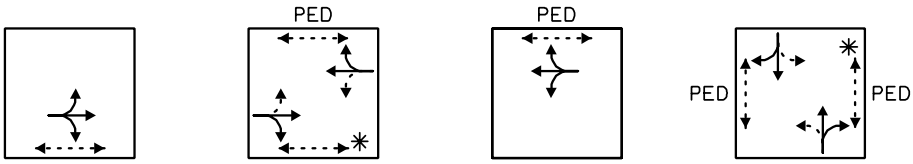
PHASES



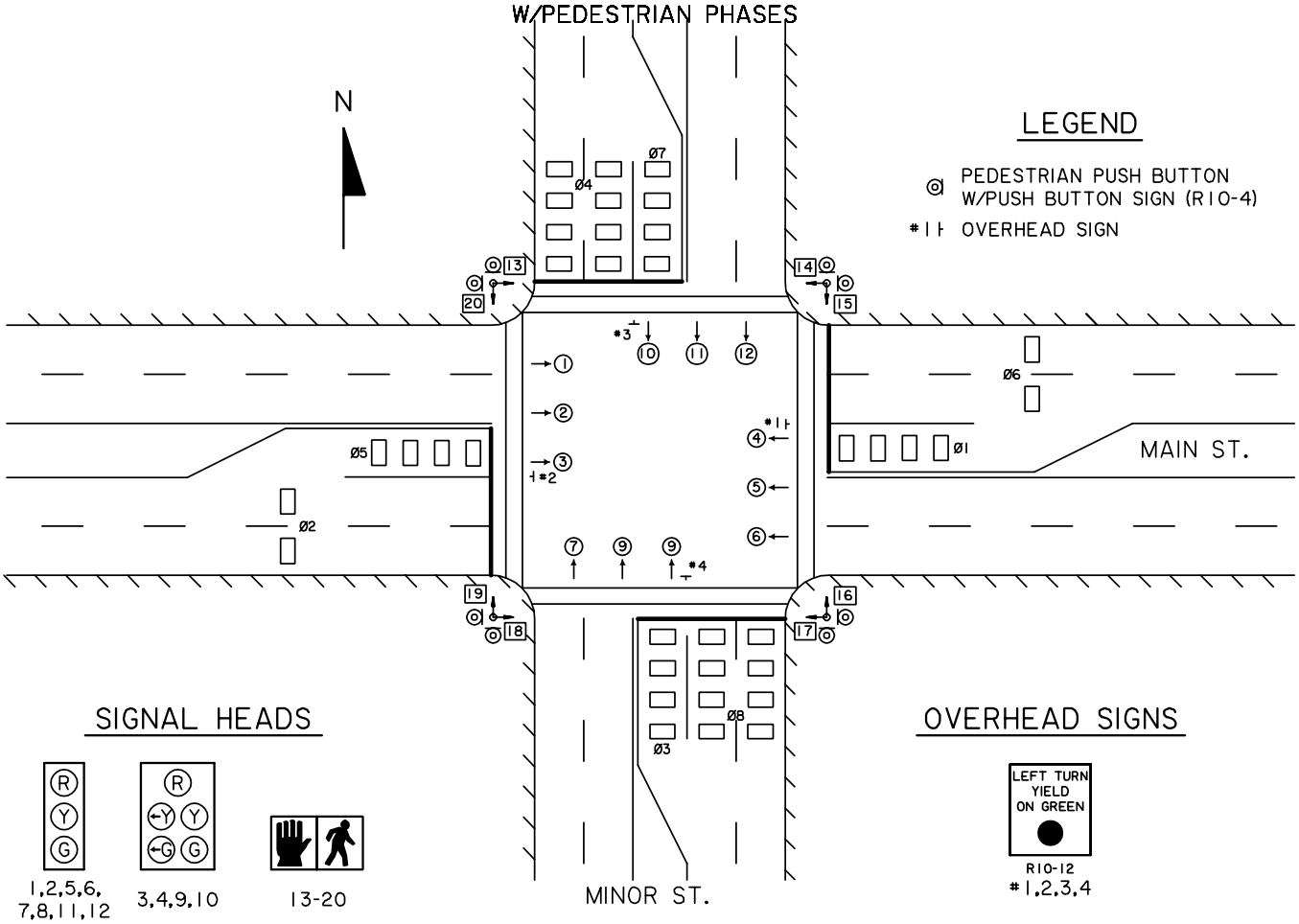
Ø2+Ø5 Ø2+Ø6 Ø1+Ø6 Ø4+Ø8

✳ - VEHICLE PHASE ON MIN. RECALL

FIGURE 2V-12

SIGNAL LAYOUT PLAN

4 PHASE, FULLY ACTUATED, SIMULTANEOUS LEADING PROTECTED/PERMITTED LT. TURNS ON BOTH STREETS, W/PEDESTRIAN PHASES



PRIMARY SIGNAL SEQUENCE

FACE NO.	Ø1+Ø5			Ø2+Ø6				Ø3+Ø7			Ø4+Ø8			
	R/W	CLEAR TO Ø2+Ø6		R/W		CLEAR TO Ø3+Ø7		R/W	CLEAR TO Ø4+Ø8		R/W		CLEAR TO Ø1+Ø5	
1,2	R	R	R	G	G	Y	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
3	R/←G	R/←Y	R	G	G	Y	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
4	R/←G	R/←Y	R	G	G	Y	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
5,6	R	R	R	G	G	Y	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
7,8	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	G	G	Y	R
9	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R/←G	R/←Y	R	G	G	Y	R
10	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R/←G	R/←Y	R	G	G	Y	R
11,12	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	G	G	Y	R
13,14	DW	DW	DW	W	FDW	FDW	FDW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW
15,16	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	W	FDW	FDW	FDW
17,18	DW	DW	DW	W	FDW	FDW	FDW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW
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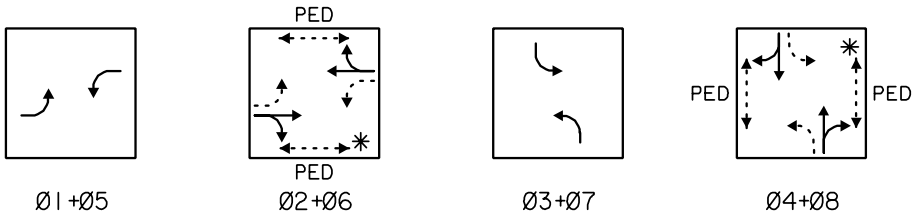
PHASES

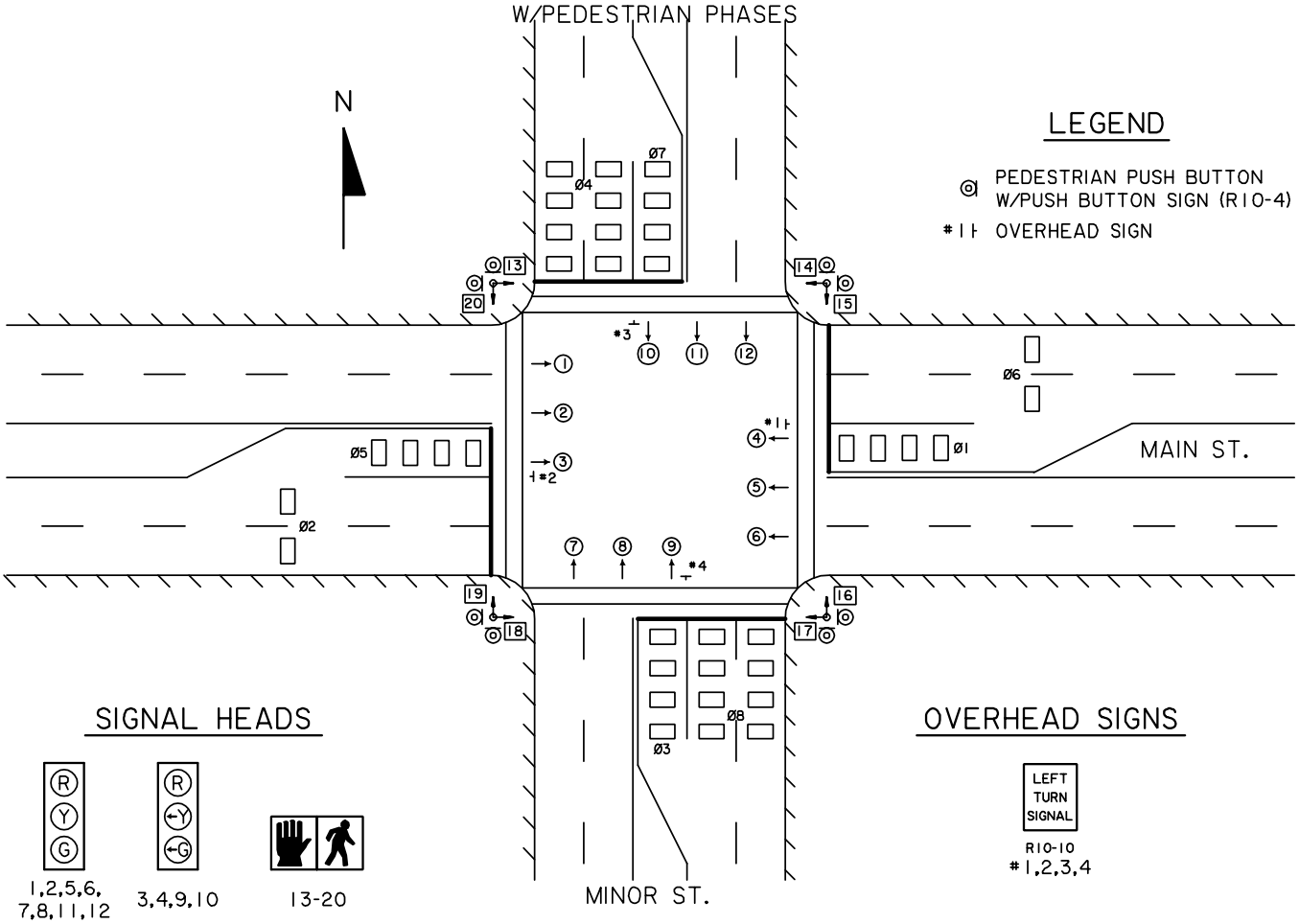


✳ - VEHICLE PHASE ON MIN. RECALL

FIGURE 2V-13

SIGNAL LAYOUT PLAN

6 PHASE, FULLY ACTUATED,
LEAD/LAG PROTECTED ONLY LT. TURNS ON BOTH STREETS,
W/PEDESTRIAN PHASES



PRIMARY SIGNAL SEQUENCE

FACE NO.	Ø2+Ø5			Ø2+Ø6				Ø1+Ø6				Ø4+Ø7			Ø4+Ø8				Ø3+Ø8			
	R/W	CLEAR TO Ø2+Ø6		R/W		CLEAR TO Ø1+Ø6		R/W		CLEAR TO Ø4+Ø7		R/W	CLEAR TO Ø4+Ø8		R/W		CLEAR TO Ø3+Ø8		R/W		CLEAR TO Ø2+Ø5	
1,2	R	R	R	G	G	G	G	G	G	Y	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
3	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	←G	←G	←Y	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
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15,16	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	W	W	W	W	W	FDW	FDW	FDW
17,18	W	W	W	W	FDW	FDW	FDW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW
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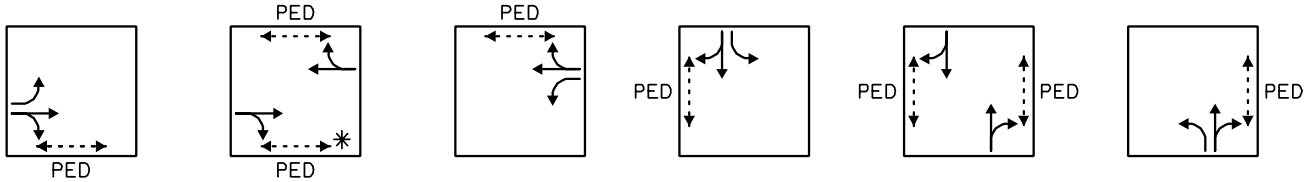
PHASES

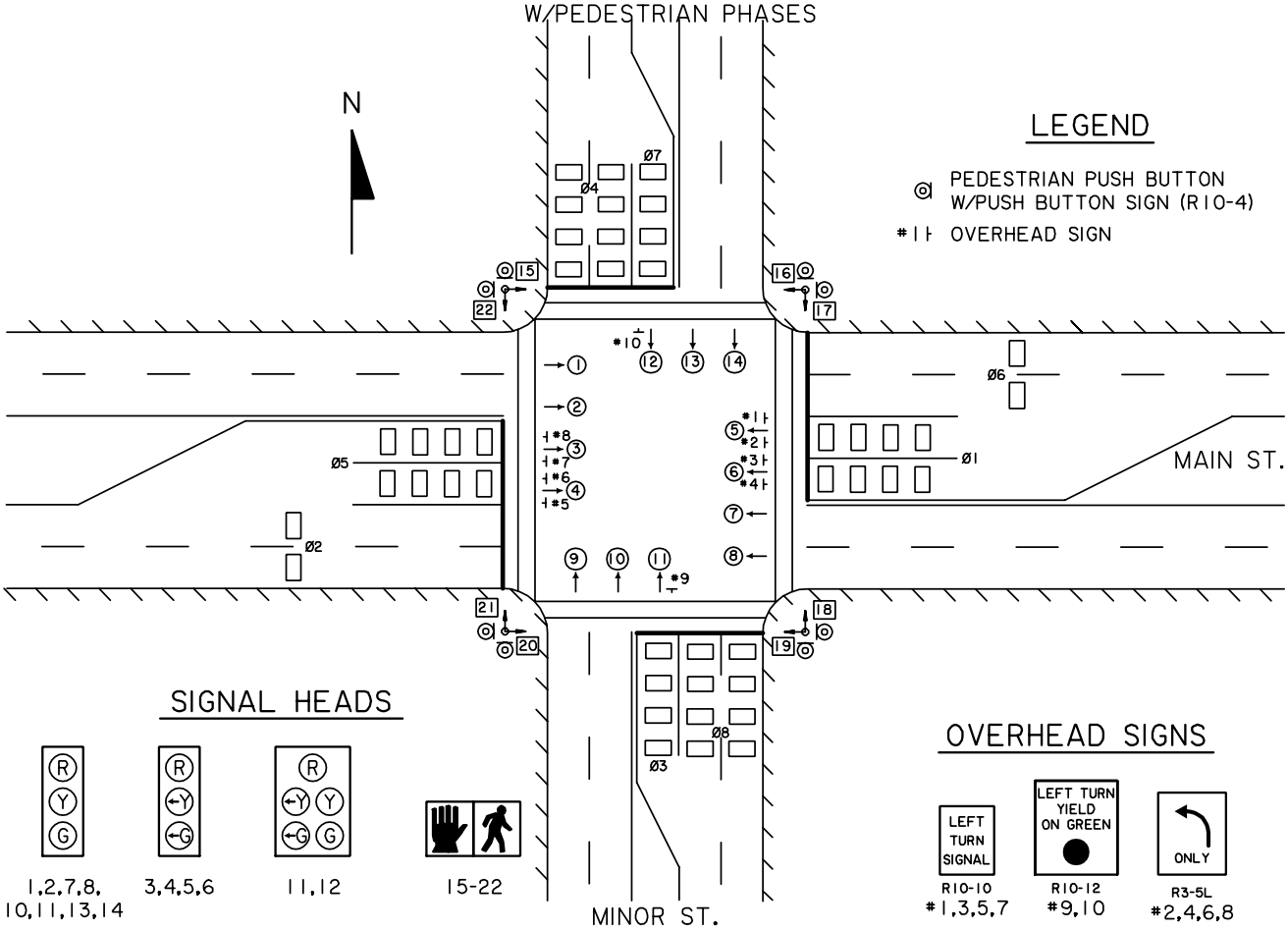


✳ - VEHICLE PHASE ON MIN. RECALL

FIGURE 2V-14

SIGNAL LAYOUT PLAN

5 PHASE, FULLY ACTUATED,
DUAL LEAD/LAG PROTECTED ONLY LT. TURNS,
W/PEDESTRIAN PHASES



PRIMARY SIGNAL SEQUENCE

FACE NO.	Ø2+Ø5			Ø2+Ø6				Ø1+Ø6				Ø3+Ø7			Ø4+Ø8			
	R/W	CLEAR TO Ø2+Ø6		R/W		CLEAR TO Ø1+Ø6		R/W		CLEAR TO Ø3+Ø7		R/W	CLEAR TO Ø4+Ø8		R/W		CLEAR TO Ø2+Ø5	
1,2	R	R	R	G	G	G	G	G	G	Y	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
3,4	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	←G	←G	←Y	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
5,6	←G	←Y	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
7,8	G	G	G	G	G	Y	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
9,10	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	G	G	Y	R
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12	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R/←G	←Y	R	G	G	Y	R
13,14	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	G	G	Y	R
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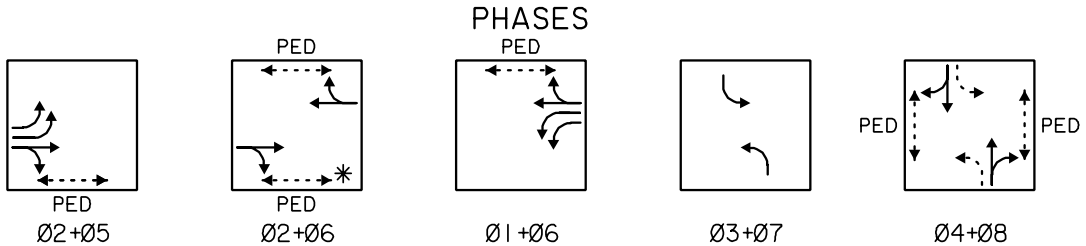
PHASES

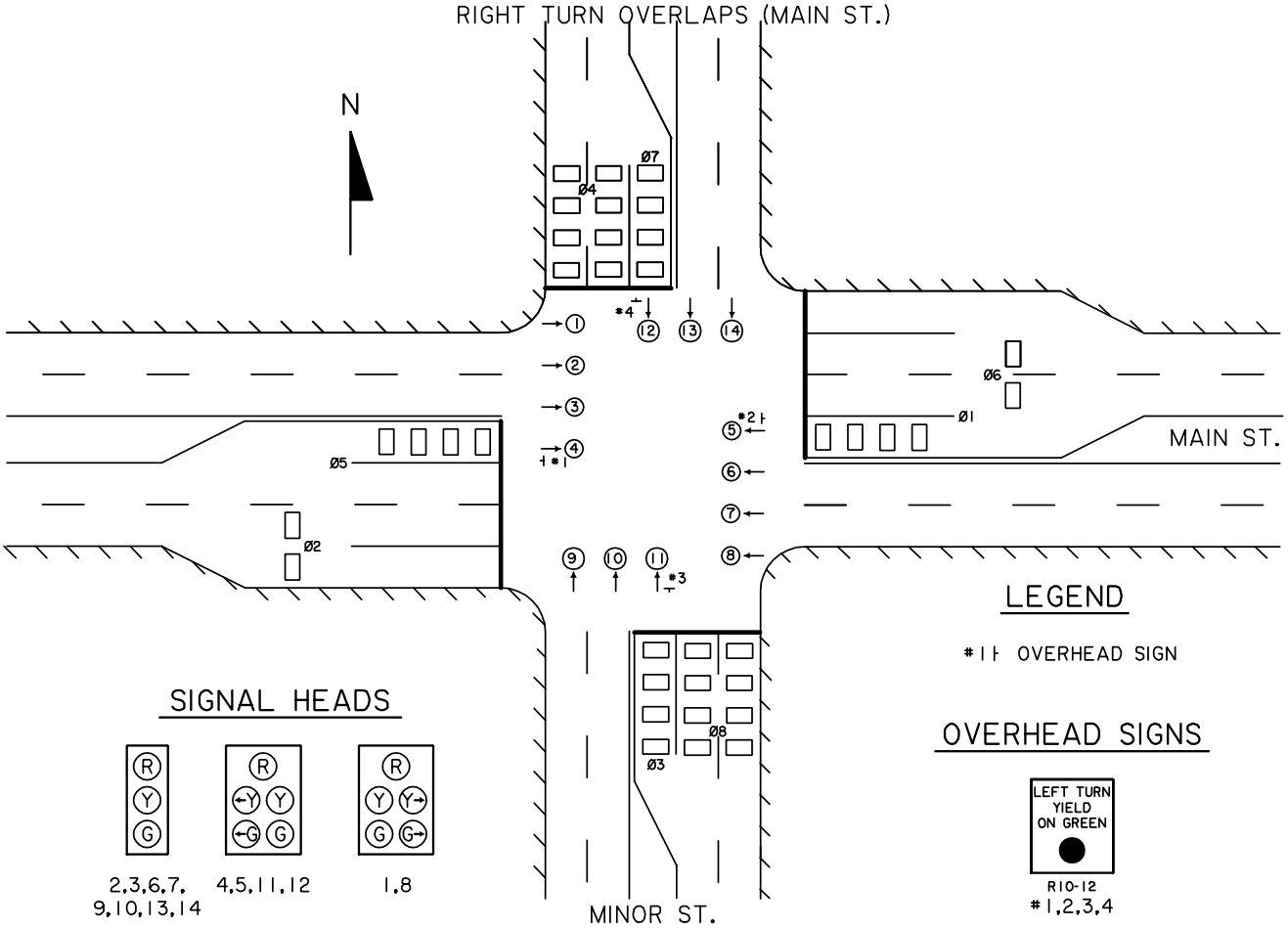


✳ - VEHICLE PHASE ON MIN. RECALL

FIGURE 2V-15

SIGNAL LAYOUT PLAN

4 PHASE, FULLY ACTUATED,
SIMULTANEOUS LEADING, PROTECTED/PERMITTED LT. TURNS,
RIGHT TURN OVERLAPS (MAIN ST.)



PRIMARY SIGNAL SEQUENCE

FACE NO.	Ø1+Ø5			Ø2+Ø6			Ø3+Ø7			Ø4+Ø8		
	R/W	CLEAR TO Ø2+Ø6		R/W	CLEAR TO Ø3+Ø7		R/W	CLEAR TO Ø4+Ø8		R/W	CLEAR TO Ø1+Ø5	
1	R	R	R	G	Y	R	R/G→	R/Y→	R	R	R	R
2,3	R	R	R	G	Y	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
4	R/←G	R/←Y	R	G	Y	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
5	R/←G	R/←Y	R	G	Y	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
6,7	R	R	R	G	Y	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
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9,10	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	G	Y	R
11	R	R	R	R	R	R	R/←G	R/←Y	R	G	Y	R
12	R	R	R	R	R	R	R/←G	R/←Y	R	G	Y	R
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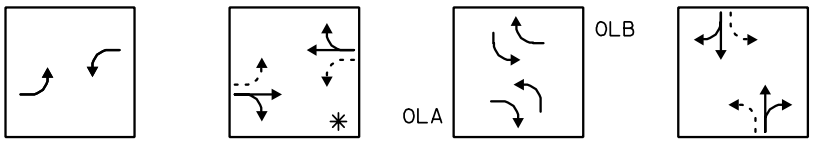
PHASES



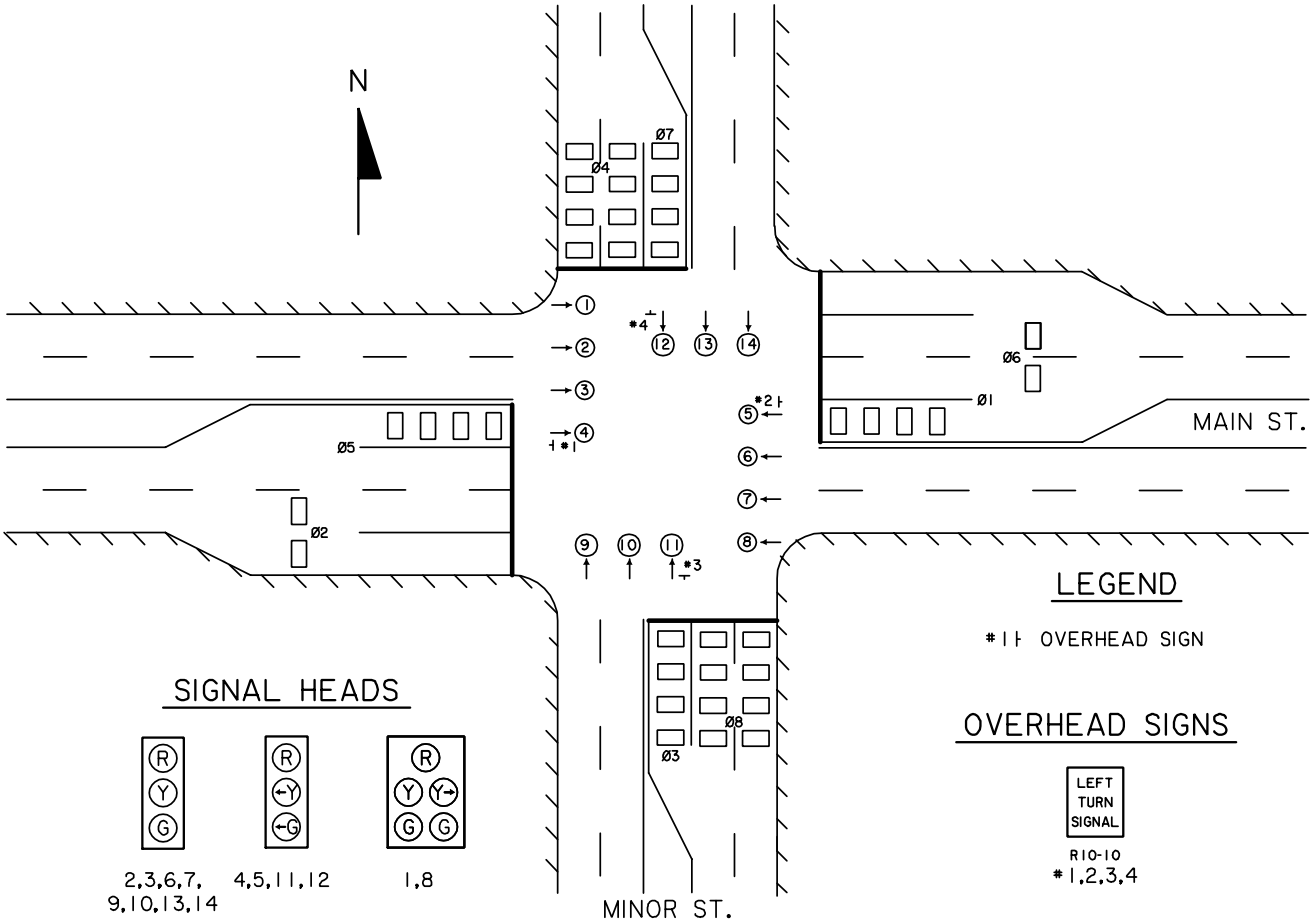
Ø1+Ø5 Ø2+Ø6 Ø3+Ø7 Ø4+Ø8

✳ - VEHICLE PHASE ON MIN. RECALL

FIGURE 2V-16

SIGNAL LAYOUT PLAN

4 PHASE, FULLY ACTUATED,
SIMULTANEOUS LEADING PROTECTED ONLY LT. TURNS,
W/RIGHT TURN OVERLAPS (MAIN ST.)



PRIMARY SIGNAL SEQUENCE

FACE NO.	Ø1+Ø5			Ø2+Ø6			Ø3+Ø7			Ø4+Ø8		
	R/W	CLEAR TO Ø2+Ø6		R/W	CLEAR TO Ø3+Ø7		R/W	CLEAR TO Ø4+Ø8		R/W	CLEAR TO Ø1+Ø5	
1	R	R	R	G/G→	Y/G→	R/G→	R/G→	R/Y→	R	R	R	R
2,3	R	R	R	G	Y	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
4	←G	←Y	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
5	←G	←Y	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
6,7	R	R	R	G	Y	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
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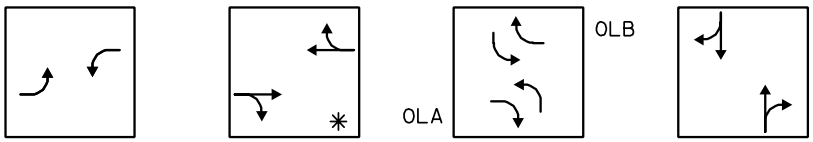
PHASES



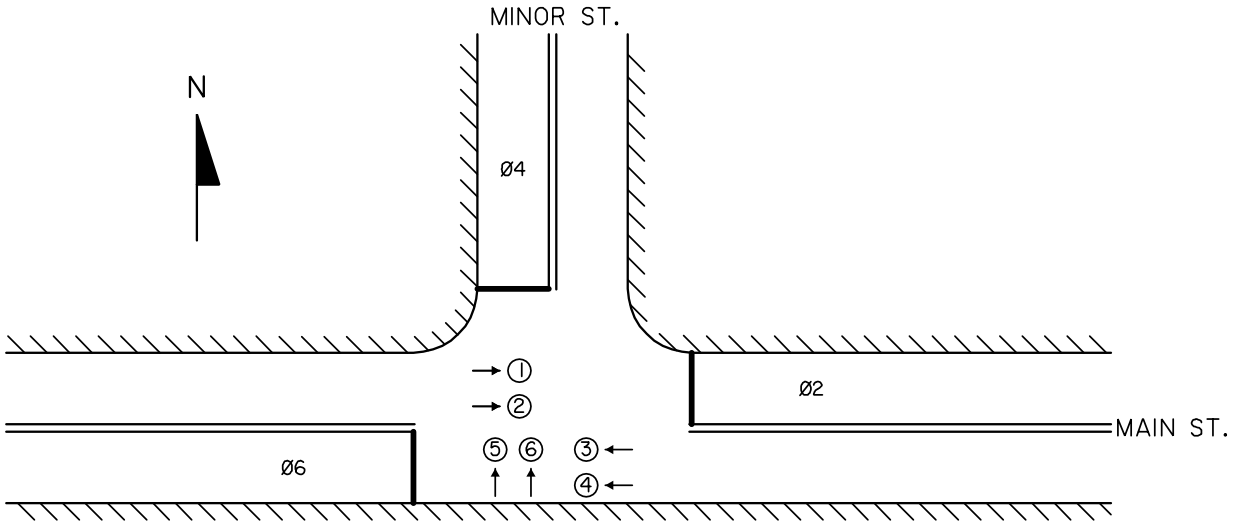
Ø1+Ø5 Ø2+Ø6 Ø3+Ø7 Ø4+Ø8

✳ - VEHICLE PHASE ON MIN. RECALL

FIGURE 2V-17

SIGNAL LAYOUT PLAN

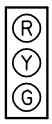
2 PHASE, PRETIMED



NOTES:

1) USING 8Ø CONTROLLER IN LADOTD TYPE 3 CABINET
2) Ø6 (OLB)

SIGNAL HEADS



1-6

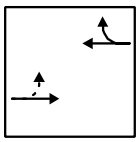
OVERHEAD SIGNS

NONE APPLICABLE

PRIMARY SIGNAL SEQUENCE

FACE NO.	Ø2+Ø6			Ø4		
	R/W	CLEAR TO Ø4		R/W	CLEAR TO Ø2+Ø6	
1, 2	G	Y	R	R	R	R
3, 4	G	Y	R	R	R	R
5, 6	R	R	R	G	Y	R

PHASES



Ø2+Ø6

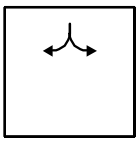


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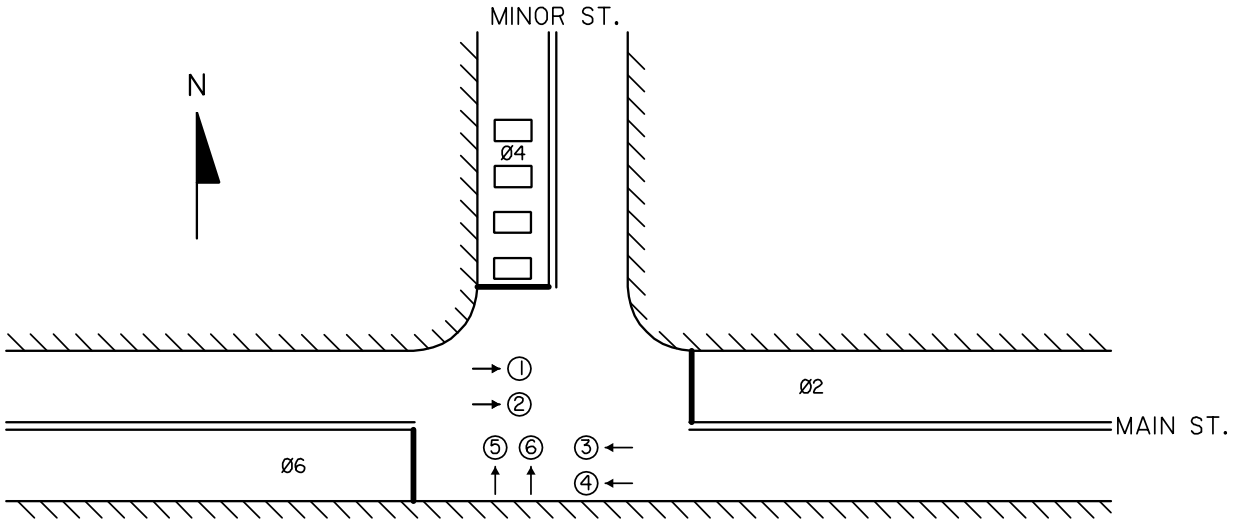
FIGURE 2V-18

SIGNAL LAYOUT PLAN

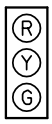
2 PHASE, SEMI-ACTUATED



NOTES:

1) USING 8Ø CONTROLLER IN LADOTD TYPE 3 CABINET
2) Ø6 (OLB)

SIGNAL HEADS



1-6

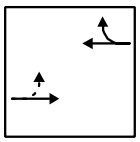
OVERHEAD SIGNS

NONE APPLICABLE

PRIMARY SIGNAL SEQUENCE

FACE NO.	Ø2+Ø6			Ø4		
	R/W	CLEAR TO Ø4		R/W	CLEAR TO Ø2+Ø6	
1, 2	G	Y	R	R	R	R
3, 4	G	Y	R	R	R	R
5, 6	R	R	R	G	Y	R

PHASES



Ø2+Ø6

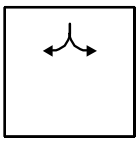


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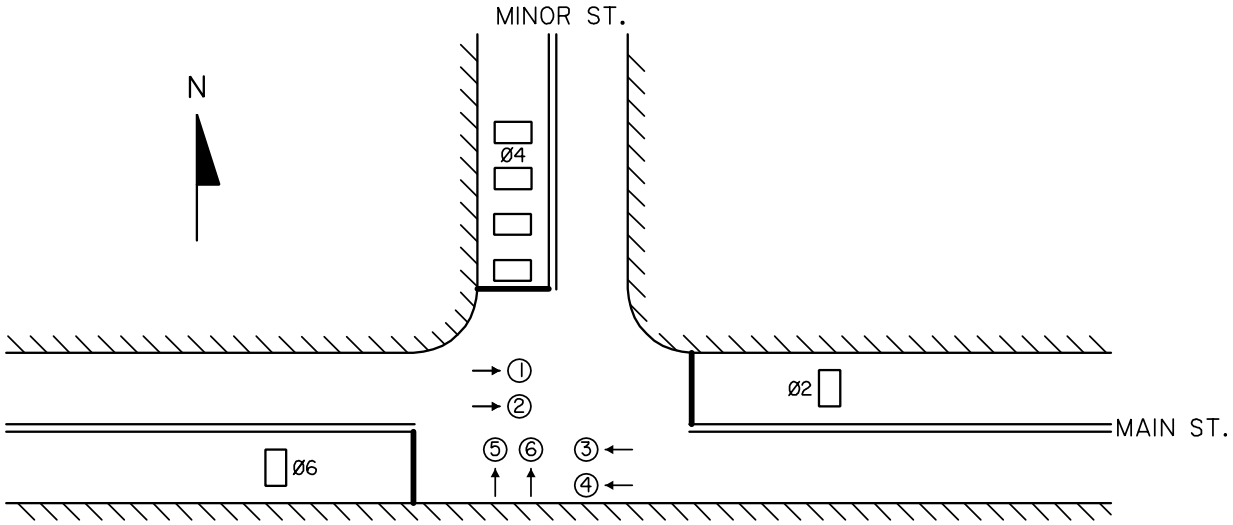
FIGURE 2V-19

SIGNAL LAYOUT PLAN

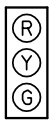
2 PHASE, FULLY ACTUATED



NOTES:

1) USING 8Ø CONTROLLER IN LADOTD TYPE 3 CABINET
2) Ø6 (OLB)

SIGNAL HEADS



1-6

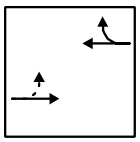
OVERHEAD SIGNS

NONE APPLICABLE

PRIMARY SIGNAL SEQUENCE

FACE NO.	Ø2+Ø6			Ø4		
	R/W	CLEAR TO Ø4		R/W	CLEAR TO Ø2+Ø6	
1, 2	G	Y	R	R	R	R
3, 4	G	Y	R	R	R	R
5, 6	R	R	R	G	Y	R

PHASES



Ø2+Ø6

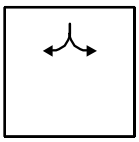


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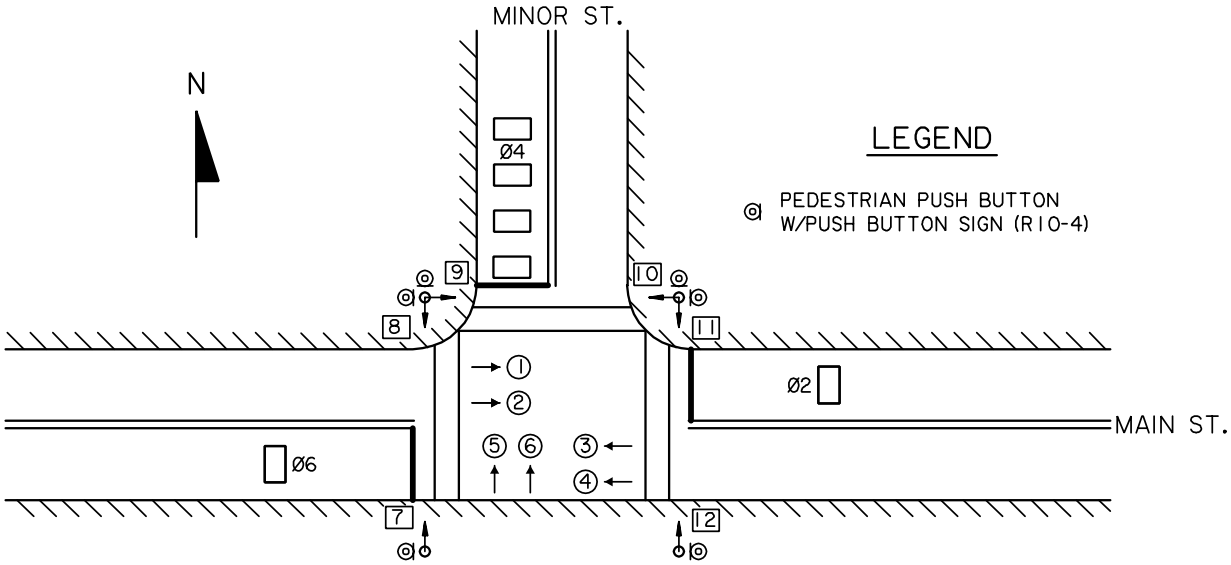
FIGURE 2V-20

SIGNAL LAYOUT PLAN

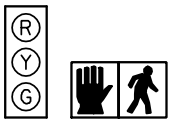
2 PHASE, FULLY ACTUATED,
W/PEDESTRIAN PHASES



NOTES:

1) USING 8Ø CONTROLLER IN LADOTD TYPE 3 CABINET
2) Ø6 (OLB)

SIGNAL HEADS



1-6 7-12

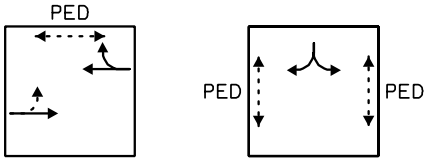
OVERHEAD SIGNS

NONE APPLICABLE

PRIMARY SIGNAL SEQUENCE

FACE NO.	Ø2+Ø6				Ø4			
	R/W		CLEAR TO Ø4		R/W		CLEAR TO Ø2+Ø6	
1,2	G	G	Y	R	R	R	R	R
3,4	G	G	Y	R	R	R	R	R
5,6	R	R	R	R	G	G	Y	R
7,8	DW	DW	DW	DW	W	FDW	FDW	FDW
9,10	W	FDW	FDW	FDW	DW	DW	DW	DW
11,12	DW	DW	DW	DW	W	FDW	FDW	FDW

PHASES

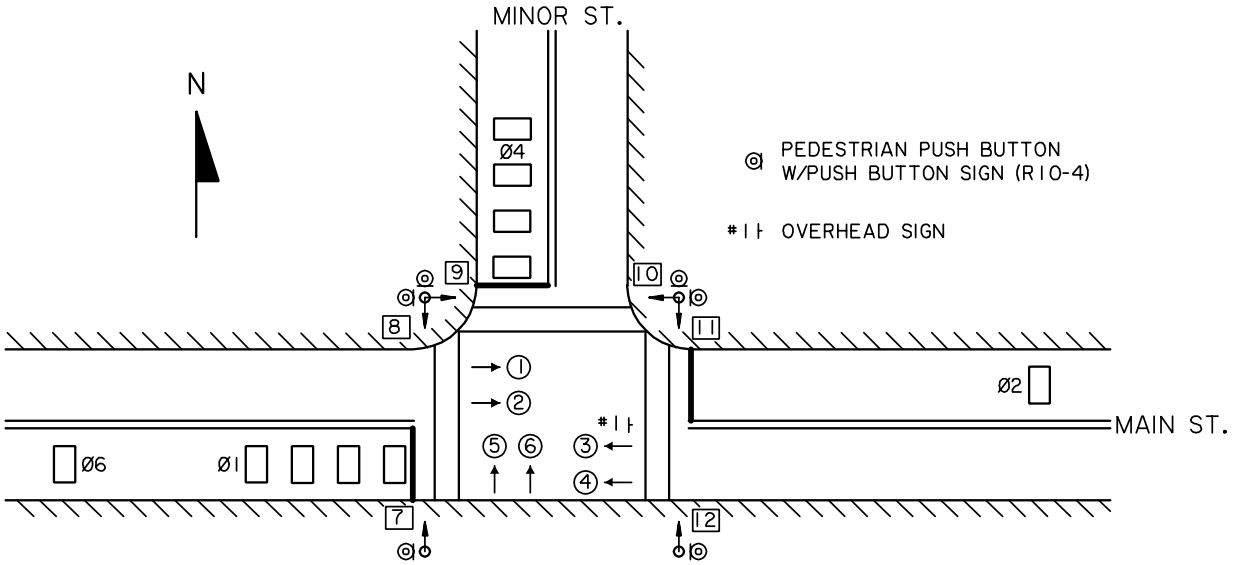


Ø2+Ø6 Ø4

FIGURE 2V-21

SIGNAL LAYOUT PLAN

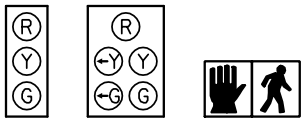
3 PHASE, FULLY ACTUATED
LEADING PROTECTED/PERMITTED LEFT TURN (MAIN ST.)
W/PEDESTRIAN PHASES



NOTES:

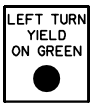
1) USING 8Ø CONTROLLER IN LADOTD TYPE 3 CABINET
2) Ø6 (OLB)

SIGNAL HEADS



1,2, 4,5,6 — 3 — 7-12

OVERHEAD SIGNS

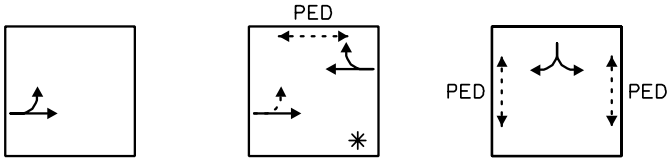


R10-12
#1

PRIMARY SIGNAL SEQUENCE

FACE NO.	Ø1+Ø4			Ø2+Ø6				Ø4			
	R/W	CLEAR TO Ø2+Ø6		R/W		CLEAR TO Ø4		R/W		CLEAR TO Ø1+Ø4	
1, 2	R	R	R	G	G	Y	R	R	R	R	R
3	G/←G	G/←Y	G	G	G	Y	R	R	R	R	R
4	G	G	G	G	G	Y	R	R	R	R	R
5, 6	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	G	G	Y	R
7, 8	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	W	FDW	FDW	FDW
9, 10	DW	DW	DW	W	FDW	FDW	FDW	DW	DW	DW	DW
11,12	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	W	FDW	FDW	FDW

PHASES



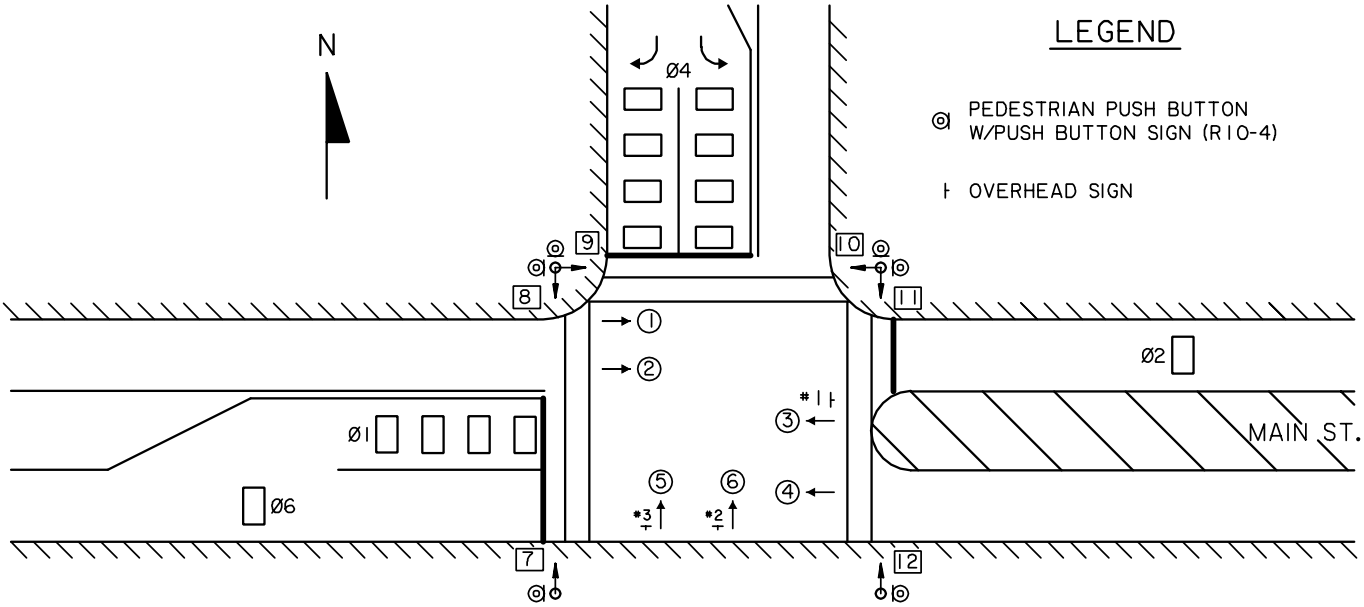
Ø1+Ø4 — Ø2+Ø6 — Ø4

* - VEHICLE PHASE ON MIN. RECALL

FIGURE 2V-22

SIGNAL LAYOUT PLAN

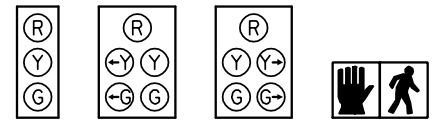
3 PHASE, FULLY ACTUATED
LEADING PROTECTED/PERMITTED LT. TURN (MAIN ST.)
W/RIGHT TURN OVERLAP (SIDE ST.)
W/PEDESTRIAN PHASES



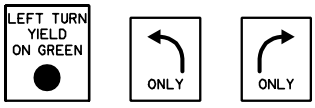
NOTES:

1) USING 8Ø CONTROLLER IN LADOTD TYPE 3 CABINET
2) Ø6 (OLB)
3) OLA (Ø1+Ø4)

SIGNAL HEADS



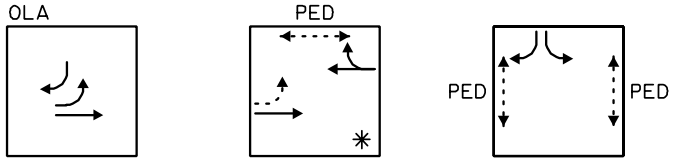
OVERHEAD SIGNS



PRIMARY SIGNAL SEQUENCE

FACE NO.	Ø1+Ø6			Ø2+Ø6				Ø4			
	R/W	CLEAR TO Ø2+Ø6		R/W		CLEAR TO Ø4		R/W		CLEAR TO Ø1+Ø6	
1,2	R	R	R	G	G	Y	R	R	R	R	R
3	G/←G	G/←Y	G	G	G	Y	R	R	R	R	R
4	G	G	G	G	G	Y	R	R	R	R	R
5	R/G→	R/Y→	R	R	R	R	R	G	G	Y	R
6	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	G	G	Y	R
7, 8	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	W	FDW	FDW	FDW
9, 10	DW	DW	DW	W	FDW	FDW	FDW	DW	DW	DW	DW
11,12	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	W	FDW	FDW	FDW

PHASES

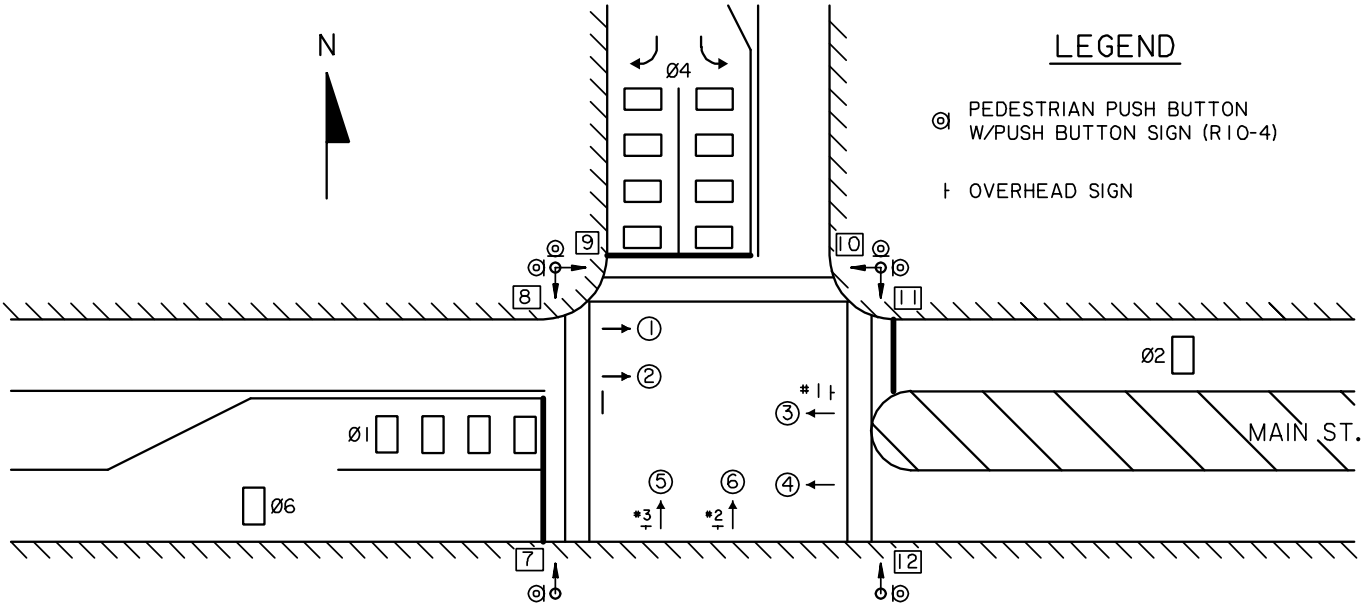


✳ - VEHICLE PHASE ON MIN. RECALL

FIGURE 2V-23

SIGNAL LAYOUT PLAN

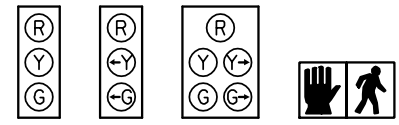
3 PHASE, FULLY ACTUATED
LEADING PROTECTED ONLY LT. TURN (MAIN ST.)
W/RIGHT TURN OVERLAP (SIDE ST.)
W/PEDESTRIAN PHASES



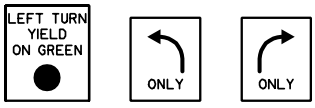
NOTES:

1) USING 8Ø CONTROLLER IN LADOTD TYPE 3 CABINET
2) Ø6 (OLB)
3) OLA (Ø1+Ø4)

SIGNAL HEADS



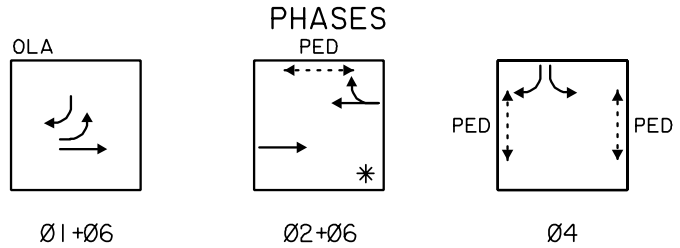
OVERHEAD SIGNS



PRIMARY SIGNAL SEQUENCE

FACE NO.	Ø1+Ø6			Ø2+Ø6				Ø4			
	R/W	CLEAR TO Ø2+Ø6		R/W		CLEAR TO Ø4		R/W		CLEAR TO Ø1+Ø6	
1,2	R	R	R	G	G	Y	R	R	R	R	R
3	←G	←Y	R	G	G	Y	R	R	R	R	R
4	G	G	G	G	G	Y	R	R	R	R	R
5	R/G→	R/Y→	R	R	R	R	R	G	G	Y	R
6	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	G	G	Y	R
7, 8	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	W	FDW	FDW	FDW
9, 10	DW	DW	DW	W	FDW	FDW	FDW	DW	DW	DW	DW
11,12	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	W	FDW	FDW	FDW

PHASES

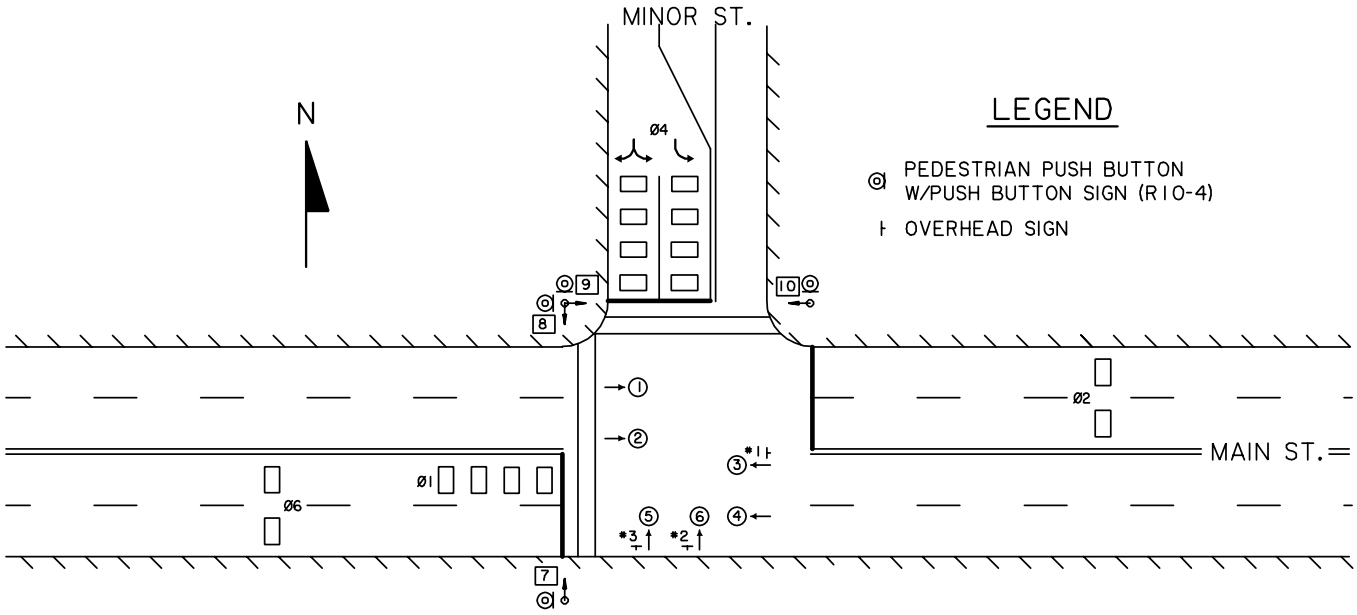


✳ - VEHICLE PHASE ON MIN. RECALL

FIGURE 2V-24

SIGNAL LAYOUT PLAN

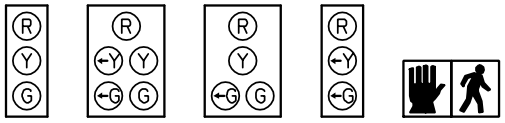
3 PHASE, FULLY ACTUATED,
LEADING PROTECTED/PERMITTED LT. TURN (MAIN ST.)
DUAL LT. TURNS (SIDE ST)
W/PEDESTRIAN PHASES



NOTES:

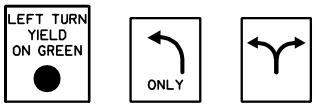
1) USING 8Ø CONTROLLER IN LADOTD TYPE 3 CABINET
2) Ø6 (OLB)

SIGNAL HEADS



1,2,4 3 5 6 7-10

OVERHEAD SIGNS

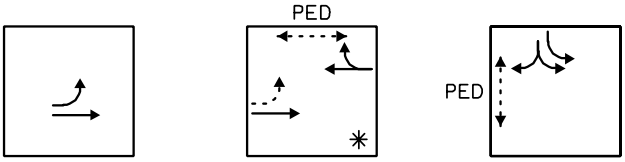


R10-12 #1 R3-5L #2 R3-6a #3

PRIMARY SIGNAL SEQUENCE

FACE NO.	Ø1+Ø6			Ø2+Ø6				Ø4			
	R/W	CLEAR TO Ø2+Ø6		R/W		CLEAR TO Ø4		R/W		CLEAR TO Ø1+Ø6	
1,2	R	R	R	G	G	Y	R	R	R	R	R
3	G/←G	G/←Y	G	G	G	Y	R	R	R	R	R
4	G	G	G	G	G	Y	R	R	R	R	R
5	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	← G/G	← G/G	Y	R
6	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	←G	←G	←Y	R
7, 8	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	W	FDW	FDW	FDW
9, 10	DW	DW	DW	W	FDW	FDW	FDW	DW	DW	DW	DW

PHASES



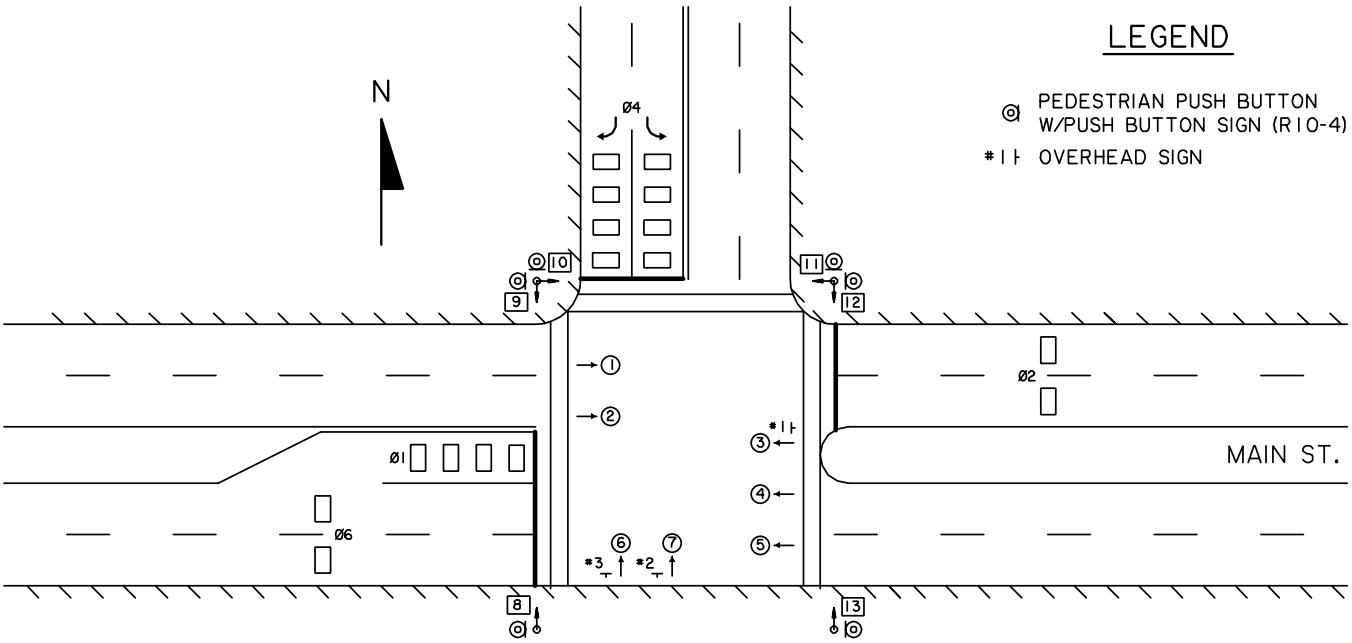
Ø1+Ø6 Ø2+Ø6 Ø4

* - VEHICLE PHASE ON MIN. RECALL

FIGURE 2V-25

SIGNAL LAYOUT PLAN

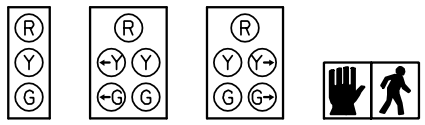
3 PHASE, FULLY ACTUATED,
LEADING PROTECTED/PERMITTED LT. TURN (MAIN ST.)
W/PEDESTRIAN PHASES



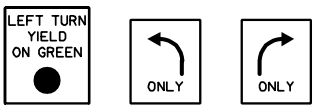
NOTES:

1) USING 8Ø CONTROLLER IN LADOTD TYPE 3 CABINET
2) Ø6 (OLB)
3) OLA (Ø1+Ø4)

SIGNAL HEADS



OVERHEAD SIGNS



PRIMARY SIGNAL SEQUENCE

FACE NO.	Ø1+Ø6			Ø2+Ø6				Ø4			
	R/W	CLEAR TO Ø2+Ø6		R/W		CLEAR TO Ø4		R/W		CLEAR TO Ø1+Ø6	
1,2	R	R	R	G	G	Y	R	R	R	R	R
3	G/←G	G/←Y	G	G	G	Y	R	R	R	R	R
4,5	G	G	G	G	G	Y	R	R	R	R	R
6	R/G→	R/Y→	R	R	R	R	R	G	G	Y	R
7	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	G	G	Y	R
8,9	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	DW	W	FDW	FDW	FDW
10,11	DW	DW	DW	W	FDW	FDW	FDW	DW	DW	DW	DW
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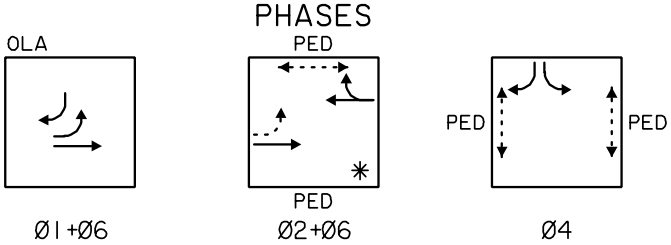
PHASES

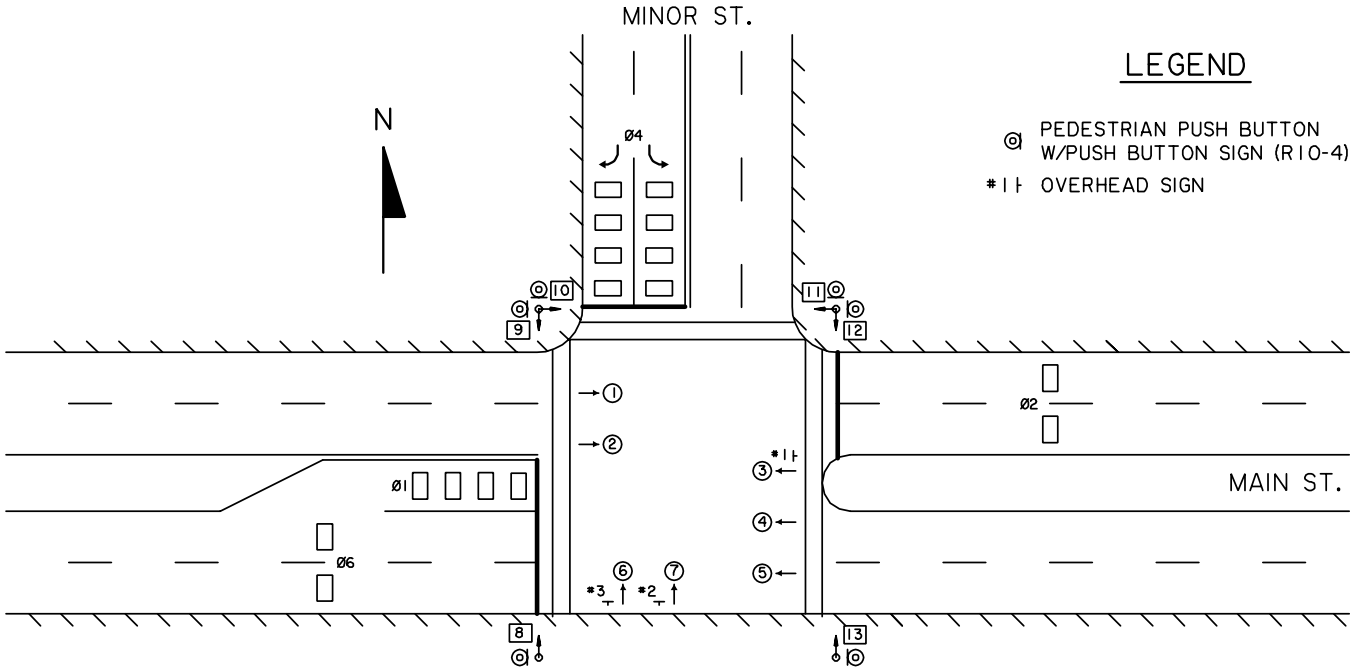


✳ - VEHICLE PHASE ON MIN. RECALL

FIGURE 2V-26

SIGNAL LAYOUT PLAN

3 PHASE, FULLY ACTUATED,
LEADING PROTECTED ONLY LT. TURN (MAIN ST.)
W/PEDESTRIAN PHASES



LEGEND

- PEDESTRIAN PUSH BUTTON W/PUSH BUTTON SIGN (R10-4)
- *1 OVERHEAD SIGN

NOTES:

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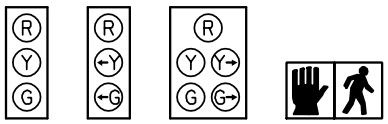
2) Ø6 (OLB)
3) OLA (Ø1+Ø4)

SIGNAL HEADS



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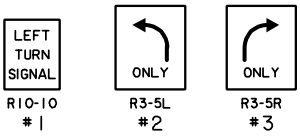

PRIMARY SIGNAL SEQUENCE

FACE NO.	Ø1+Ø6			Ø2+Ø6				Ø4			
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1,2	R	R	R	G	G	Y	R	R	R	R	R
3	←G	←Y	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
4,5	G	G	G	G	G	Y	R	R	R	R	R
6	R/G→	R/Y→	R	R	R	R	R	G	G	Y	R
7	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	G	G	Y	R
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10,11	DW	DW	DW	W	FDW	FDW	FDW	DW	DW	DW	DW
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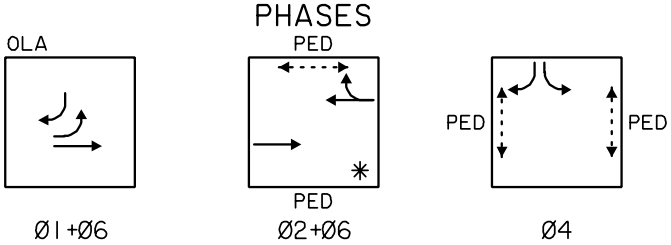
PHASES

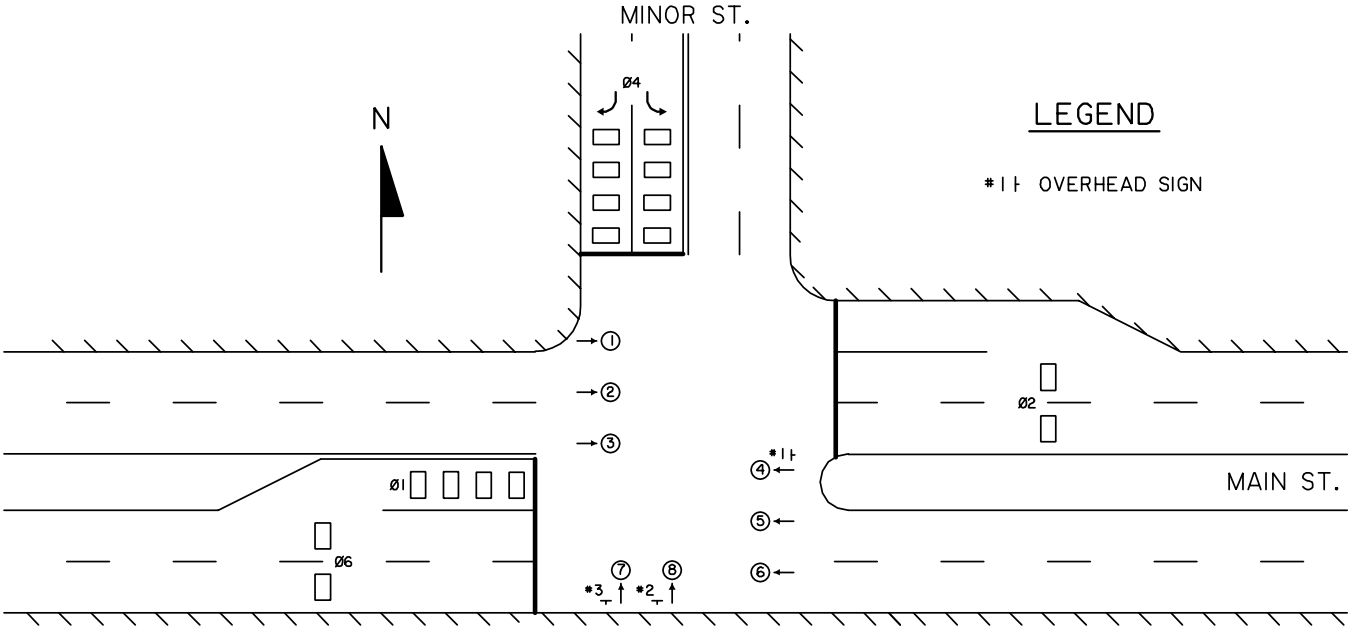


✳ - VEHICLE PHASE ON MIN. RECALL

FIGURE 2V-27

SIGNAL LAYOUT PLAN

3 PHASE, FULLY ACTUATED,
LEADING PROTECTED/PERMITTED LT. TURN (MAIN ST.)
RIGHT TURN OVERLAPS (BOTH STREETS)



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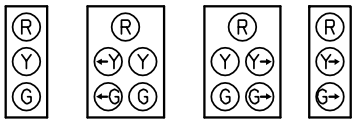
4) OLA (Ø4)

SIGNAL HEADS



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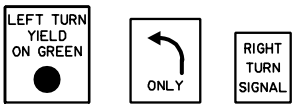
OVERHEAD SIGNS

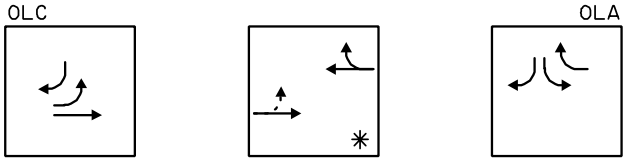


R10-12 #1 | R3-5L #2 | R10-10 #3

PRIMARY SIGNAL SEQUENCE

FACE NO.	Ø1+Ø6			Ø2+Ø6			Ø4		
	R/W	CLEAR TO Ø2+Ø6		R/W	CLEAR TO Ø4		R/W	CLEAR TO Ø1+Ø6	
1	R	R	R	G	Y	R	R/G→	R/Y→	R
2,3	R	R	R	G	Y	R	R	R	R
4	G/←G	G/←Y	G	G	Y	R	R	R	R
5,6	G	G	G	G	Y	R	R	R	R
7	G→	Y→	R	R	R	R	G→	G→	G→
8	R	R	R	R	R	R	G	Y	R

PHASES



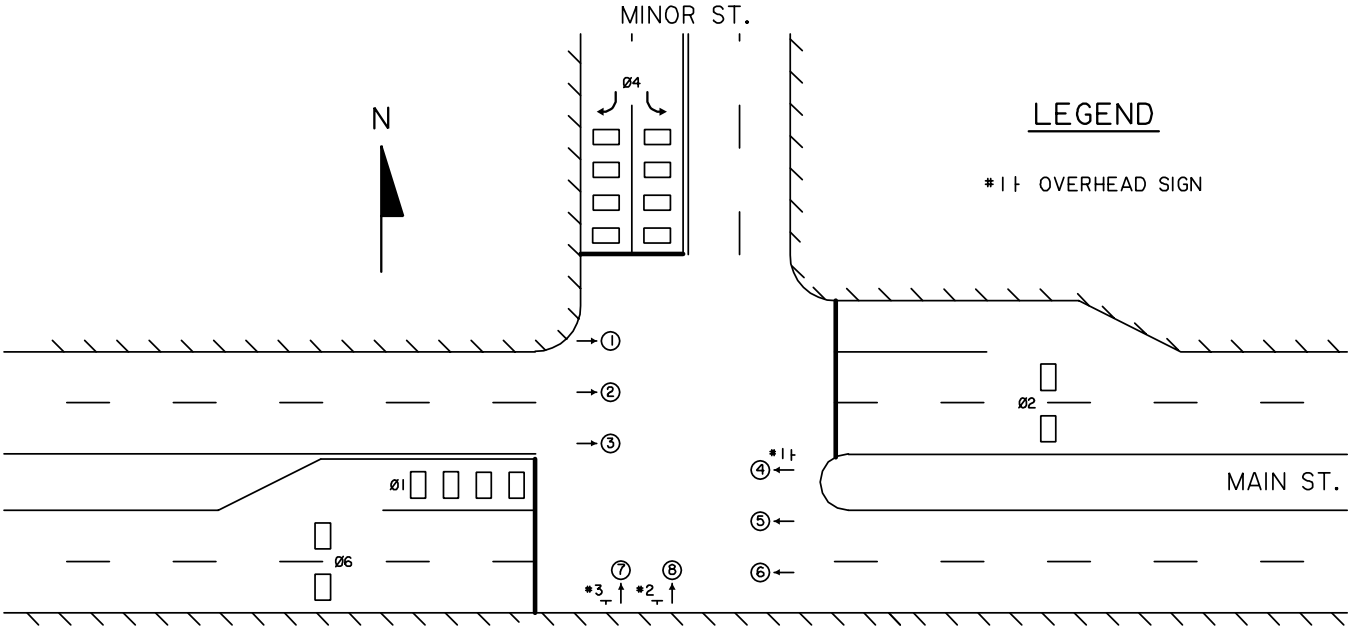
Ø1+Ø6 | Ø2+Ø6 | Ø4

✳ - VEHICLE PHASE ON MIN. RECALL

FIGURE 2V-28

SIGNAL LAYOUT PLAN

3 PHASE, FULLY ACTUATED,
LEADING PROTECTED ONLY LT. TURN (MAIN ST.)
RIGHT TURN OVERLAPS (BOTH STREETS)



NOTES:

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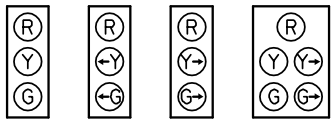
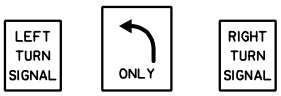
2) Ø6 (OLB)
3) OLC (Ø1+Ø4)
4) OLA (Ø2+Ø4)

SIGNAL HEADS



2,3 5,6,8 | 4 | 7 | 1

OVERHEAD SIGNS

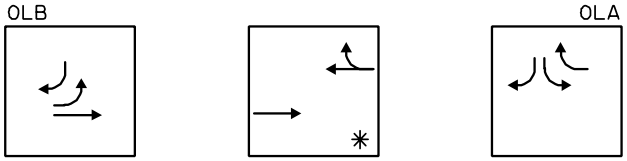


R10-10 #1 | R3-5L #2 | R10-10 #3

PRIMARY SIGNAL SEQUENCE

FACE NO.	Ø1+Ø6			Ø2+Ø6			Ø4		
	R/W	CLEAR TO Ø2+Ø6		R/W	CLEAR TO Ø4		R/W	CLEAR TO Ø1+Ø6	
1	R	R	R	G/G→	Y/G→	R/G→	R/G→	R/Y→	R
2,3	R	R	R	G	Y	R	R	R	R
4	←G	←Y	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
5,6	G	G	G	G	Y	R	R	R	R
7	G→	Y→	R	R	R	R	G→	G→	G→
8	R	R	R	R	R	R	G	Y	R

PHASES



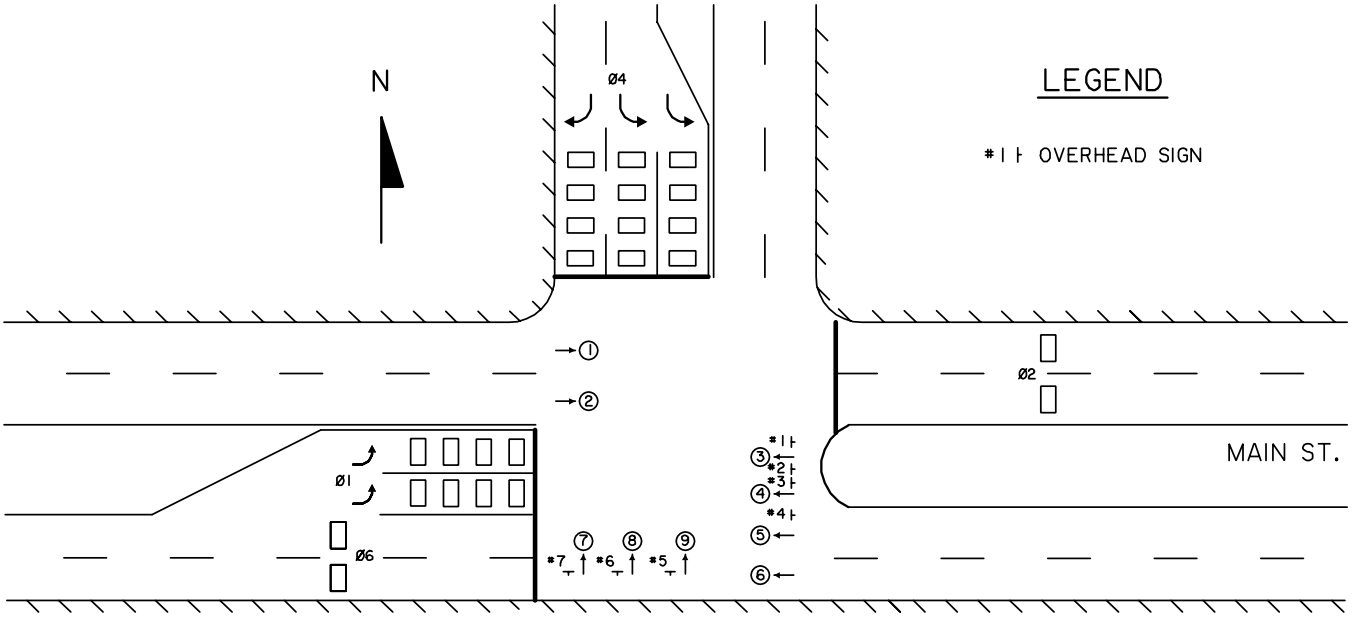
Ø1+Ø6 | Ø2+Ø6 | Ø4

* - VEHICLE PHASE ON MIN. RECALL

FIGURE 2V-29

SIGNAL LAYOUT PLAN

3 PHASE, FULLY ACTUATED,
DUAL LT. TURNS (BOTH STREETS)
RT. TURN OVERLAP (SIDE ST.)
MINOR ST.



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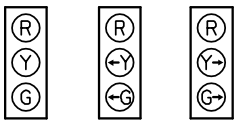
SIGNAL HEADS



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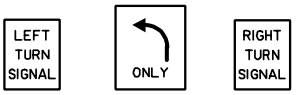
OVERHEAD SIGNS



R10-10 #1,3 R3-5L #2,4,5,6 R10-10 #7

PRIMARY SIGNAL SEQUENCE

FACE NO.	Ø1+Ø6			Ø2+Ø6			Ø4		
	R/W	CLEAR TO Ø2+Ø6		R/W	CLEAR TO Ø4		R/W	CLEAR TO 01+06	
1,2	R	R	R	G	Y	R	R	R	R
3,4	←G	←Y	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
5,6	G	G	G	G	Y	R	R	R	R
7	G→	Y→	R	R	R	R	G→	G→	G→
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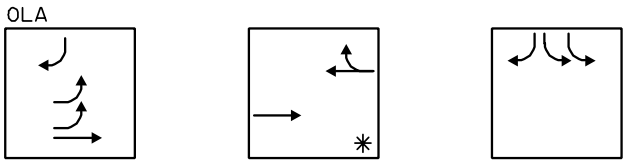
PHASES



01+Ø6 Ø2+Ø6 Ø4

* - VEHICLE PHASE ON MIN. RECALL

W. SIGNAL TURN ON PROCEDURES – The following steps are recommended for the activation of a new traffic signal.

1.0 Advance Flash Period – A new signal installation should be put on flash operation for a period of two (2) weekdays prior to the activation of normal "stop and go" operation, so as to make motorists aware of its presence.

2.0 Publicity – The date and time of the activation of "stop and go" operation should be advertised in both the local newspaper and on local radio stations both prior to and on the date of activation.

3.0 Activation – The actual activation of normal "stop and go" operation should be made during an off peak traffic period.

4.0 Technical Help – Arrangements should be made to have a representative from the LA DOTD Traffic Services Section to be on site at the time that the signal is turned on normal "stop and go" operation. If a new brand of signal controller is being used, a manufacturer's representative should also be present.

5.0 Signing Revisions – Once the signal is operational, any and all Stop signs in conflict with the signal shall be removed. If necessary, Signal Ahead warning signs (W3-3) may be installed.

6.0 Police Assistance – Police assistance should be requested and be on site at the time of signal activation to provide emergency traffic control in case of a malfunction and to help emphasis the new traffic control change to the motorists.

7.0 School Crossing – Should the intersection include a school crossing with a crossing guard, the crossing guard should be familiarized with the new signal's operation.

8.0 Fine Tuning – Shortly after the signal is turned on, the traffic engineer should observe the signal's operation during both peak and off peak periods to assure the adequacy of the signal's timing parameters.

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CHAPTER 3

SIGNAL PLANS

A. GENERAL

The purpose of this chapter is to provide guidelines for the preparations of a set of signal design plans for LADOTD projects. Signal plans can be "stand alone" plans, that is plans containing only information on signal design and installation, or they can be a part of road construction plans. The plans sheet requirement for either case is as follows:

1.0 Part of Road Construction Plans – When signal plans are part of road plans and cover only one signalized intersection, they shall include the following:

- General Notes Sheet
- Summary of Quantities Sheet (If multiple signals are involved)
- Signal Layout Sheet (For each signal)
- Signal Timing/Operations Sheet (For each signal)
- Railroad Preemption Sheet (If applicable, for each signal)
- Signal Interconnect (If applicable)

2.0 "Stand Alone" Signal Plans – The signal plan sheet requirements for plans containing only signal design and installation information is as follows:

- Title Sheet
- General Notes Sheet
- Summary of Quantities Sheet (If multiple signal are involved)
- Signal Layout Sheet (For each signal)
- Signal Timing/Operations Sheet (For each signal)
- Railroad Preemption Sheet (If applicable, for each signal)
- Signal Interconnect Sheet (If applicable)

B. PLAN SHEETS REQUIRED

The various signal plan sheets, their format and contents are described in this section.

The basic format for all signal plan sheets contain the following information:

- Project Numbers – For the state, federal aid and city parish if applicable
- Parish Name
- Sheet Number
- Schedule of Revisions
- Professional Engineers Stamp

Additionally all plan signal sheets, with the exception of the Title Sheet, have a title block in their lower right hand corner containing the following information:

- "Traffic Signal Plans" notation
- Project Title
- Intersection or Corridor name (with Hwy. Route numbers)
- Traffic Signal Inventory (TSI) number
- Design Organization name
- LA DOTD Title
- Design Information (Initials of designer, detailer, checkers)
- Scale
- Date

Information specific to the various signal plan sheets is as listed below:

1.0 Title Sheet (Figure 3B-1) – As previously mentioned, a title sheet is required for "stand alone" signal plans. A typical example of a title sheet is seen in Figure 3B-1. It contains the following specific information:

- LADOTD Title
- Type of Plans (Urban Systems Project, etc.)
- Project Title
- Location Map – w/project location and scale
- Index to sheets
- Survey information – if applicable.
- Edition of LA Standard Specifications applicable

- Type of Construction
- Approval signatures
- Length of Project Table

2.0 Signal General Notes Sheet (Figure 3B-2) – This sheet contains, as the name implies, notes of general nature that apply to all the signalized intersections in the plans. It generally includes items from the Louisiana Standard Specifications for Road and Bridges for which special emphasis is intended for the contractor. A typical signal general notes sheet containing the most frequently used notes is shown in Figure 3B-2.

3.0 Summary of Quantities Sheet (Figure 3B-3) – When a set of plans consists of more than one signalized intersection design, a summary of quantities sheet is needed to summarize quantities both individually and for all the signalized intersections. Quantities are listed in LA DOTD item number order, with an item description, and in the units as specified by the LA DOTD Schedule of Pay Items. An example of such a sheet is seen in Figure 3B-3. If a set of plans has only one signalized intersection, its summary of quantities can be shown on the signal timing/operations plan sheet (See Figure 3B-5).

4.0 Signal Layout Sheet (Figure 3B-4) – A typical signal layout sheet is shown in Figure 3B-4. This sheet shows the basic intersection geometry, the right-of-way, the location of underground utilities, channelization, pavement markings, driveways, ditches, utility poles and construction stationing (if available). The following information is also required on the sheet as shown in Figure 3B-4.

4.1 Signal Layout Diagram (on Figure 3B-4) – The signal layout contains the following signal installation information.

- Signal controller cabinet – location
- Electrical Service – location
- Junction Boxes – number and location
- Mast arm/Strain Poles – number, orientation, location
- Signal heads – number, orientation, location
- Spanwire signs – number, location, orientation
- Signal detectors – number, pattern, phase assigned
- Underground signal conduit – locations, type installation
- Graphic Scale

4.2 Symbol Legend Chart (on Figure 3B-4) – This legend provides an identification for each symbol shown on the diagram and is broken down into existing and proposed categories.

4.3 Intersection Specific Notes (on Figure 3B-4) – This set of notes applies to the signal installation at this intersection only. It should not repeat notes covered in the signal General Notes Section. Items typically covered in these notes include but are not limited to:

- Signal Controller/Cabinet – Specifies installation and type
- Electrical Service – Specifies installation
- Junction Boxes – Specifies installation and type
- Mast Arm/Strain Poles – Specifies type installation and size
- Signal detectors – Specifies installation
- References – Refers to the signal general notes and the signal timing and operations sheets for additional information.
- Speed Limits – Posted speed limits on all intersection approaches

4.4 Signal Indications Diagram (on Figure 3B-4) – This diagram shows the signal indication arrangement for each head shown on the signal layout diagram. Typically it also specifies the signal indication lense size and signal head (housing) color.

4.5 Sign Layout Diagram (on Figure 3B-4) – This diagram shows the sign type, MUTCD designation, legend, and size for each sign called for on the signal layout diagram. If a non-standard sign, such as a street name sign, is called for, its size, color and legend must be specified.

4.6 Free Operations Signal Phasing Diagram (on Figure 3B-4) – This diagram shows all the variable sequences of which the signal is capable in its "free operations" mode. The diagram also shows the signal's primary sequence (i.e., the sequence the signal would assume with maximum calls on all phases). Any signal phase placed on recall is also noted on this diagram.

4.7 Peak Hour Volumes Diagram (on Figure 3B-4) – This diagram shows the peak hour traffic turning movement volumes at the intersection for the morning, noon, and afternoon peak hours on which the signal design was based. These volumes can reflect the current traffic using the intersection, or future traffic projections as in the case of new roadways, added intersection approaches, or new commercial developments. If projected volumes are shown it is to be noted as such on the diagram.

4.8 Information Sources (on Figure 3B-4) – The source of the survey, base map, and traffic count information is to be listed on this sheet.

5.0 Signal Timing/Operations Sheet (See Figure 3B-5) – A typical signal timing/operations sheet contains specific information concerning the timing, phasing, and installation of the signal. The following information is required on this plan sheet.

5.1 Wiring Diagram (On Figure 3B-5) – This diagram shows the wiring required to accommodate the signal heads, detectors, signal controllers and power source for the signal installation shown on the signal layout sheet. For clarity purposes, the combination of conductors required in each different section of the wiring diagram is designated with a letter code corresponding to a wiring combination shown in the signal wiring schedule.

5.2 Signal Wiring Schedule (On Figure 3B-5) – This chart describes the various conductor combinations as designated by a letter code on the wiring diagram. It also specifies the conduit size needed for each particular combination of conductors run underground.

5.3 Legend (On Figure 3B-5) – This legend diagram identifies the various symbols shown on the wiring diagram. It is an abbreviated version of the legend shown on the intersection layout plan sheet.

5.4 Signal Phasing Diagrams (On Figure 3B-5) –

- **Free Operation Signal Phasing Diagram –** This diagram shows all the variable sequences of which a signal is capable in its "free operations" mode. The diagram also shows the signal's primary sequence as well as any phases placed on recall. This diagram is repeated from the signal layout sheet to aid in reading the signal primary sequence chart.

- **TOD Signal Phasing –** A separate time of day (TOD) signal phasing diagram is to be provided if timing plans are specified that use a phasing sequence different from that shown on the free operation phasing diagram.

5.5 Signal Indications Diagram (On Figure 3B-5) – This diagram shows the signal indication arrangement for each head shown on the signal layout diagram. This diagram is repeated from the intersection layout sheet to aid in reading the signal primary sequence chart.

5.6 Signal Primary Sequence Chart (On Figure 3B-5) – This chart shows the signal indication(s) displayed by each signal head for each separate interval during the signal's primary sequence. This includes both right of way (R/W) and clearance intervals. Additionally, this

chart shows the indication display for each head when the signal is put into its emergency flash mode.

5.7 Head Assignment Chart (On Figure 3B-5) – This chart shows the phase assignment (including overlaps) for the signal indications on each signal head.

5.8 Signal Pole Table (On Figure 3B-5) – This table locates the signal support as to intersection quadrant (also noted on the wiring diagram) and by stationing and offset (if available). It also specifies the signal pole height for strain pole installations and mast arm lengths for the single or double mast arm installations.

5.9 Phase Timing Parameters Table (On Figure 3B-5) – This table contains all the timing parameters applicable for the type of signal specified in the plans. The timing is shown for each separate signal phase in addition to its recall status. The timing of these parameters is discussed in Chapter 2, Section D, Subsections 3.0 and 4.0 of this Manual. Typically there are notes under this table that specify when Max II timing is used, the "start up" phases when the signal is turned on, the "flash time" on the conflict monitor, and the "red revert" timing. The "flash time" on the conflict monitor is the length of time the signal will flash before going into "stop and go" operation when the controller is powered up (normally 7 seconds). When the signal rests in an all red mode and a phase is serviced, upon termination of the phase the "red revert" is the minimum amount of red time that must be displayed to that phase before it can be serviced again (normally 6 seconds).

5.10 Time of Day (TOD) Signal Phasing/Timing Plans (On Figure 3B-5) – This diagram is provided if there is a need for timing plans beyond that which can be provided by the MAX I and MAX II timing functions of the signal controller, or the signal is coordinated with adjacent signals and must adhere to a prescribed cycle length. The time of operation, cycle length, offsets and force offs are shown for each plan. Additionally a TOD signal phasing diagram is provided for the timing plans if the phasing is different from that shown in the free operation signal phasing diagram. The timing for such plans is discussed in Chapter 2, Section D, Subsection 5.0 of this Manual. Notes at the bottom of this diagram indicate the use of MAX II for the timing plans, and the notations for clearance intervals and local time zero. Also, if the signal phasing changes in any of the timing plans it is so noted.

5.11 Loop Installation Chart (On Figure 3B-5) – This chart provides information concerning the number, size, location and pattern for the signal detectors for each signal phase. Also shown is the detector mode, its card and channel assignment and any special features such as programmed delay. Distances from the stop line are measured from the back of the stop line to the front of the detector pattern. Any detectors located in front of the stop line are shown with "negative" measurements.

5.12 Emergency Preemption Sequence Diagram (On Figure 3B-5) – If emergency preemption is included in the signal design, an emergency preemption phasing diagram is needed to show all the phasing sequences possible when the signal is preempted. The phase in which normal signal operations is to resume after preemption is to be designated. Normally preemption is limited to state highways and not side streets. Exceptions to this would be if there were a fire or EMS station or hospital located on the side street.

5.13 Summary of Quantities Table (On Figure 3B-5) – As previously mentioned, if a set of signal plans has only one signalized intersection, the summary of quantities table is included on the signal timing/operations sheet. If the plans contain multiple signalized intersections, a separate quantity sheet must be provided that shows the quantities for all intersections. Quantities are listed in LA DOTD item number order, with an item description and in the units as specified by the LA DOTD Schedule of Pay Items.

6.0 Railroad Preemption Sheet (Figure 3B-6) – If railroad preemption is needed because of the nearness of the traffic signal to a railroad grade crossing, a railroad preemption plan sheet is required. The following information is required on this plan sheet.

6.1 Railroad Preemption Sequence Diagram (On Figure 3B-6) – This diagram shows the preemption sequence that the signal would take to clear the track prior to the train's arrival, regardless of the signal phase when the train is detected.

6.2 Railroad Preemption Signal Sequence Chart (On Figure 3B-6) – This chart shows the signal indications displayed by each signal head for the "clear to railroad preemption" sequence, the "track clearance" sequence, the "preemption hold" sequence, and the "release to normal operations" sequence. This chart also shows the use of "blank out" signs, to prohibit turning movements across the track during the track clearance, and preemption hold sequences. The actual railroad

preemption timing is discussed in Section F of Chapter 2 of this Manual and is usually provided by the Department.

7.0 Signal Interconnect Sheet (Figure 3B-7) – If multiple signal locations are coordinated in their operation, a signal interconnect plan sheet is required. The following is required on this plan sheet:

7.1 Routing Diagram (On Figure 3B-7) – This diagram shows the general interconnect line routing between all coordinated signal locations in the plans. This routing diagram also designates the size and the approximate locations of junction boxes to be used along this routing, and the location of the signal controller cabinets to be accessed.

7.2 Notes – The notes accompanying the routing diagram generally cover the follwing

- Interconnect Line (Type)
- Conduit (Size, Type, Min. Depth)
- Junction Boxes (Type, Spacing)
- Buried Cable Warning Sign (Size, Legend, Color, Location)

7.3 Legend – The legend defines the various symbols used on the routing diagram.

F.A.P. Nº	STATE PROJECT Nº	PARISH	SHEET Nº
MG-5001(075)	742-07-0119	JEFFERSON	1

INDEX TO SHEETS

SHEET NO.	DESCRIPTION
1	TITLE SHEET
2	GENERAL NOTES
3	SUMMARY OF QUANTITIES
4	WILLIAMS BLVD. (LA 49) AT 25TH ST.
5	WILLIAMS BLVD. (LA 49) AT 21ST ST.
6	WILLIAMS BLVD. (LA 49) AT WEST METAIRIE RD.
7	AIRLINE HWY. (US 61) AT ROOSEVELT
8	AIRLINE HWY. (US 61) AT ATLANTA ST.
9	AIRLINE HWY. (US 61) AT AIRLINE PARK BLVD.
10	AIRLINE HWY. (US 61) AT ELISE AVE.
11	JEFFERSON HWY. (LA 48) AT WILLIAMS BLVD. (LA 49)
12	JEFFERSON HWY. (LA 48) AT FILMORE AVE.
13	JEFFERSON HWY. (LA 48) AT LITTLE FARMS AVE.
14	JEFFERSON HWY. (LA 48) AT MANGUNO/MARK TWAIN DR.
15	JEFFERSON HWY. (LA 48) AT SUAVE RD.
16	JEFFERSON HWY. (LA 48) AT CITRUS RD.
17	JEFFERSON HWY. (LA 48) AT ORCHARD RD.
18	JEFFERSON HWY. (LA 48) AT FOLSE ST.
19	JEFFERSON HWY. (LA 48) AT COLONIAL CLUB DR.
20	JEFFERSON HWY. (LA 48) AT HICKORY (LA 3154)
21	JEFFERSON HWY. (LA 48) AT HORD ST.
22	JEFFERSON HWY. (LA 48) AT EDWARDS AVE.
23	JEFFERSON HWY. (LA 48) AT ELMWOOD PARK AVE.

STATE OF LOUISIANA

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION & DEVELOPMENT

PLANS OF PROPOSED

URBAN SYSTEMS PROJECT

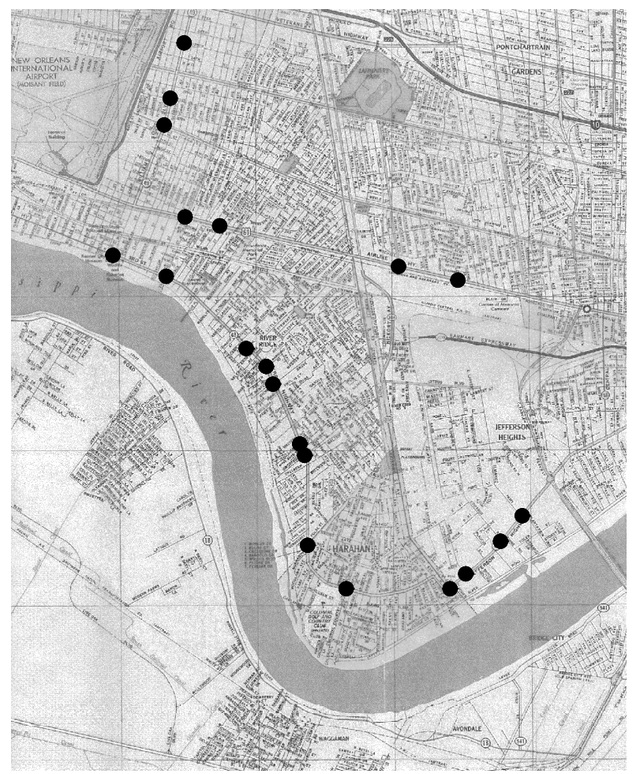
STATE PROJECT NO. 742-07-0119

FEDERAL AID PROJECT NO. MG-5001(075)

KENNER-RIVER RIDGE SIGNAL IMPROVEMENTS

JEFFERSON PARISH, LA

EXAMPLE



LOCATION MAP

3000 0 3000 6000 12000

SCALE: 1" = 3000'

DATUM USED: N/A

MAG. VAR.: N/A

BEARINGS N/A

TRANSIT BOOK: N/A

LEVEL BOOKS: N/A

SCALES: PLAN: 1"=20'
PROFILE: HOR. 1"=20'
VERT. N/A

NOTE:
THE 2000 EDITION OF THE LOUISIANA DOTD STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS FOR ROADS AND BRIDGES, AS AMENDED BY THE PROJECT SPECIFICATIONS, SHALL GOVERN ON THIS PROJECT.

SCHEDULE OF REVISIONS

DATE	REVISION	DATE	RECOMMENDED	DATE	APPROVED

TYPE OF CONSTRUCTION:
TRAFFIC SIGNAL IMPROVEMENTS

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STATE OF LOUISIANA
REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER IN CIVIL ENGINEERING

PLANS PREPARED BY AND RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL BY:

DESIGN ORGANIZATION

DATE: _____

APPROVED

D.O.T.D. CHIEF ENGINEER

DATE: _____

APPROVED

FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION

DATE: _____

LENGTH OF PROJECT

STATE PROJECT NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	ALGEBRAIC SUM OF ALL EQUATIONS	GROSS LENGTH	EXCEPTION	BRIDGE LENGTH		ROADWAY LENGTH	
	STA. TO STA.	FEET	FEET	FEET	FEET	MILES	FEET	MILES
	TOTAL LENGTH OF BRIDGES							
	TOTAL LENGTH OF ROADWAY							
	TOTAL MILES							

DATE: 3-27-2002

PATH\PROJECT

FIGURE 3B-1

FEDERAL PROJECT Nº	STATE PROJECT Nº	PARISH	SHEET Nº
XXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXX	2

SIGNAL GENERAL NOTES:

NO. 1 CONDUCTORS/CABLES

A. ALL CONDUCTORS AND CABLES FROM SIGNAL HEADS AND DETECTORS SHALL BE RUN IN UNDERGROUND CONDUIT, RISERS ON POLES OR ON MESSENGER CABLE IN THE MOST DIRECT ROUTE TO THE CONTROLLER CABINET IN ACCORDANCE TO THE PLANS.

B. A SPARE LENGTH OF CABLE SHALL BE INSTALLED AS SHOWN ON LADOTD STANDARD DETAIL "SPAN WIRE AND SIGNAL INSTALLATION" AND "JUNCTION BOXES". 6 FEET OF SPARE SIGNAL, LOOP LEAD-IN, COMMUNICATION AND SERVICE CABLE, SHALL BE INSTALLED IN EACH BASE-MOUNTED CABINET IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION 736.16 OF THE LADOTD STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS AT NO DIRECT PAY.

NO. 2 CONDUIT

A. ALL UNDERGROUND CONDUIT SHALL BE PEC (POLYETHYLENE CONDUIT), SCHEDULE 80, AND INSTALLED AT A MINIMUM DEPTH OF 18". ALL CONDUIT SHALL BE INSTALLED BELOW DITCH INVERT WHERE APPLICABLE.

B. ALL CONDUIT CONNECTIONS SHALL BE SEALED WITH A WATERPROOF SEALING COMPOUND. ALL CABLE AND WIRE ENTRANCES SHALL BE SEALED AFTER INSTALLATION.

NO. 3 EXCAVATED MATERIALS

THE CONTRACTOR SHALL REMOVE AND DISPOSE OF ALL EXCAVATED MATERIALS BROKEN PAVEMENT, SIDEWALKS, CURB, CURB AND GUTTER, CONCRETE AND OTHER MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS, AT NO DIRECT PAY, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 202 OF THE LADOTD STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS.

NO. 4 FOUNDATION DISPOSAL

THE CONTRACTOR SHALL DISPOSE OF ALL EXISTING CONTROLLER AND POLE BASE FOUNDATIONS AS SHOWN ON THE PLANS. POLE BASE FOUNDATIONS SHALL BE SHAVED 24" BELOW NATURAL GROUND AND BACKFILLED. REMOVAL OF FOUNDATIONS SHALL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH LADOTD STANDARD SPECIFICATION 202.

NO. 5 HORIZONTAL CLEARANCE

A. MINIMUM CLEARANCES FOR TRAFFIC SIGNAL SUPPORTS AND APPARATUS SHALL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE MUTCD.

B. IN RURAL AREAS OR UNCURBED URBAN AREAS, THE REQUIRED POLES SHALL BE LOCATED AS FAR AS PRACTICABLE BEYOND THE PAVEMENT EDGE. A MINIMUM CLEARANCE OF 2 FEET OUTSIDE THE SHOULDER OR A MINIMUM CLEARANCE OF 10 FEET OUTSIDE THE PAVEMENT EDGE, WHICHEVER IS GREATER, SHALL BE PROVIDED.

C. IN CURBED AREAS, POLES SHALL BE PLACED AS FAR AS POSSIBLE FROM THE EDGE OF THE TRAVEL LANE. A MINIMUM CLEARANCE OF 2 FEET BEHIND CURB SHALL BE MAINTAINED.

NO. 6 INCIDENTAL ITEMS

THE CONTRACTOR SHALL FURNISH AND INSTALL ALL INCIDENTAL ITEMS INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO NUTS, BOLTS, INSULATORS, FASTENING, TEMPORARY TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES, ETC., THAT ARE NECESSARY FOR THE PROPER CONSTRUCTION OF THE PROJECT BUT NOT SPECIFICALLY CALLED FOR, AS DIRECTED BY THE PROJECT ENGINEER, AT NO DIRECT PAY. ALL INCIDENTAL HARDWARE SHALL BE HOT-DIPPED GALVANIZED STEEL OR STAINLESS STEEL.

NO. 7 INTERSECTION SPECIFIC NOTES

SEE INDIVIDUAL INTERSECTION PLAN SHEETS

NO. 8 JUNCTION BOXES

A. JUNCTION BOXES SHALL BE HEAVY DUTY DESIGN AND SHALL CONFORM WITH LADOTD STANDARD DETAILS.

B. THE MAXIMUM DISTANCE BETWEEN JUNCTION BOXES IS 150 FEET. THE MAXIMUM DISTANCE BETWEEN JUNCTION BOXES USED FOR FIBER OPTIC COMMUNICATIONS CABLE IS 300 FEET.

NO. 9 MINIMUM QUANTITIES

DUE TO MINIMUM QUANTITIES IN THESE PLANS, THE CONTRACTOR SHALL REMOVE AND REPLACE FENCES, LANDSCAPING, ASPHALT SHOULDERS, EROSION CONTROL AND GRAVEL DRIVES AT NO DIRECT PAY.

NO. 10 PAVEMENT MARKINGS

A. ALL STRIPING SHALL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 732 "PLASTIC PAVEMENT MARKING" OF THE LADOTD STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS AND MUTCD.

B. WHEN IN CONFLICT WITH PROPOSED PAVEMENT MARKINGS, EXISTING PAVEMENT MARKINGS SHALL BE REMOVED AS DIRECTED BY PROJECT ENGINEER AT NO DIRECT PAY.

NO. 11 POWER SERVICE

A. THE POWER SOURCE SHOWN ON THE DRAWINGS IS APPROXIMATE, AND IT SHALL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE CONTRACTOR TO DETERMINE THE EXACT LOCATION OF THE POWER SOURCE.

B. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL MAKE ARRANGEMENTS WITH AND PAY THE POWER COMPANY FOR TEMPORARY AND PERMANENT ELECTRICAL SERVICE AND SHALL VERIFY THE EXACT LOCATION AND POINTS OF ATTACHMENT BEFORE INSTALLATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION 730.07 OF THE LADOTD STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS.

NO. 12 POWER DISCONNECT

A. FROM THE POWER DISCONNECT, A 1" CONDUIT WITH 3 #6 AWG-IC STRANDED COPPER TYPE THHN OR THWN INSULATION SHALL BE TURNED UP THE POWER COMPANY SERVICE POLE TO A HEIGHT DESIGNATED BY THE POWER COMPANY. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL TERMINATE THE CONDUIT WITH A THREADED SERVICE ENTRANCE FITTING (WEATHERHEAD) AND WIRES SHALL BE A MINIMUM OF 2 FEET BEYOND THE WEATHERHEAD TO ALLOW CONNECTION TO POWER COMPANY WIRING WITH A DRIP LOOP.

B. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL COORDINATE POWER SERVICE CONNECTION WITH UTILITY COMPANY.

C. FROM THE POWER DISCONNECT TO THE CONTROLLER, A 1" CONDUIT WITH 3 #6 AWG-IC SHALL BE INSTALLED. MEASUREMENT FOR SIGNAL SERVICE PAYMENT WILL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION 736.21 (f) OF THE LADOTD STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS.

D. A POWER DISCONNECT MUST BE LOCATED WITHIN 20 FEET OF THE SIGNAL CONTROLLER CABINET. IF THE POWER SOURCE IS OVER 20 FEET FROM THE CONTROLLER, A SEPARATE PEDESTAL MOUNTED POWER DISCONNECT MUST BE PROVIDED AT THE CONTROLLER LOCATION.

NO. 13 PROTECTING EXISTING SIDEWALKS, CURBS, ETC.

A. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL PROTECT EXISTING CONCRETE SIDEWALK, CURB, AND DRIVEWAYS FROM DAMAGE DURING INSTALLATION OF SIGNAL EQUIPMENT.

B. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL REPLACE WITH A QUALITY EQUAL TO OR BETTER THAN THE ORIGINAL SIDEWALK, CURB, OR OTHER ITEMS DAMAGED DURING THE CONSTRUCTION. REPLACEMENT OF SIDEWALKS AND DRIVEWAYS SHALL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 706 OF THE LADOTD STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS.

NO. 14 RIGHT-OF-WAY

A. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR WORKING WITHIN THE RIGHT-OF-WAY LIMITS.

B. THE RIGHT-OF-WAY LIMITS SHOWN ON THE PLANS IS NOT GUARANTEED TO BE ACCURATE. A THOROUGH RIGHT-OF-WAY INVESTIGATION IS RECOMMENDED TO BE DONE BY THE USER AGENCY PRIOR TO CONSTRUCTION OF THESE PLANS TO DETERMINE IF ADDITIONAL RIGHT-OF-WAY IS REQUIRED.

NO. 15 SIGNAL CONTROLLER

ALL SIGNAL CONTROLLERS SHALL BE 8 PHASE, NEMA CONTROLLERS THAT MEET CURRENT LADOTD STANDARDS AND SPECIFICATIONS.

NO. 16 SIGNAL CONTROLLER CABINET

A. ALL CABINETS SHALL BE LADOTD TYPE 6 CABINETS UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.

B. THE CONTROLLER CABINET SHALL BE ORIENTED FOR TRAFFIC ENGINEER TO FACE INTERSECTION WHEN OPENING CABINET WITH BACK OF CONTROLLER PARALLEL TO MAIN ROADWAY.

C. A 3' X 5' X 4" CONCRETE PAD IS TO BE POURED IN FRONT OF CONTROLLER BASE ABOVE GROUND LEVEL TO PROVIDE A ALL WEATHER STANDING AREA FOR SERVICE PERSONNEL.

NO. 17 SIGNAL DETECTORS

A. LOOPS SHALL CONSIST OF CONTINUOUS LENGTH OF IMSA 51-7 # 14 AWG, COPPER INSULATED WIRE WITH 19 STRANDS. INSULATION SHALL BE 0.035 INCH XLPE WITH POLYETHYLENE LOOSE TUBE. THE TUBE SHALL HAVE A MAXIMUM O.D. OF 250 MILS.

B. SLOTS SHALL BE DRY AND CLEANED OF LOOSE MATERIAL, AND THE WIRE SHALL BE CAREFULLY INSTALLED TO ENSURE INSULATION IS NOT DAMAGED. LOOP WIRE TO BE INSTALLED USING WOOD INSTRUMENTS. NO METAL OBJECTS WILL BE USED WHILE PLACING WIRE IN SLOTS.

C. THE PROJECT ENGINEER SHALL APPROVE THE DEPTH OF EACH DETECTOR LOOP SLOT BEFORE THE CONTRACTOR PLACES WIRE IN SLOT.

D. SHIELDED CABLE SHALL BE SPLICED TO LOOP WIRE AT A PULL BOX NEAREST THE LOOP (OR LOCATION SPECIFICALLY DESIGNATED ON THE PLANS) AND SHALL BE CONTINUOUS TO THE TERMINATION PANEL IN THE CONTROLLER CABINET. NO SPLICE SHALL BE PERMITTED BETWEEN THE LOOP LEAD-IN AND THE TERMINATION PANEL.

NO. 18 SIGNAL EQUIPMENT LOCATION

A. LOCATIONS OF POLES, SIGNALS, LOOP DETECTORS, SYSTEM SENSORS, CONTROLLERS AND JUNCTION BOXES ARE APPROXIMATE AND EXACT LOCATIONS SHALL BE APPROVED BY THE PROJECT ENGINEER.

B. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL STAKE THE LOCATION OF EACH POLE FOUNDATION AND NOTIFY THE PROJECT ENGINEER FOR CONCURRENCE IN THE LOCATION BEFORE PROCEEDING WITH THE INSTALLATION OF THE POLE FOUNDATION.

C. ONCE THE POLE FOUNDATION IS INSTALLED, MAST ARM LENGTHS SPECIFIED ON PLANS ARE TO BE VERIFIED TO ORDER THE MATERIALS.

NO. 19 SIGNAL EQUIPMENT REMOVAL

A. ALL EXISTING TRAFFIC SIGNAL EQUIPMENT AND CONTROL DEVICES AT EACH INTERSECTION SHALL BE REMOVED AS SHOWN ON THE PLANS OR AS DIRECTED BY THE PROJECT ENGINEER UPON COMPLETION OF INSTALLATION OF THE NEW TRAFFIC SIGNAL EQUIPMENT AND TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES.

B. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL DELIVER ALL SALVAGEABLE TRAFFIC SIGNAL EQUIPMENT AND TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES TO THE OWNER.

C. THE REMOVAL AND DELIVERY OF THE EXISTING TRAFFIC SIGNAL EQUIPMENT AND TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES TO THE OWNER SHALL BE PAID FOR UNDER ITEM NO. 202(02), "REMOVAL OF EXISTING SIGNAL EQUIPMENT".

NO. 20 SIGNAL POLE HEIGHT

A. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL PROVIDE POLES WITH HEIGHTS THAT ARE SUFFICIENT TO ENSURE THAT THE BOTTOM OF THE LOWEST SIGNAL ON AN ASSEMBLY IS NOT LESS THAN 17'-±3" ABOVE THE PAVEMENT.

B. THE TOP OF THE POLE FOUNDATION IS TO BE LEVEL WITH THE CROWN OF THE ROADWAY.

C. SIGNAL HEAD ALIGNMENT AND CLEARANCE SHALL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH LADOTD STANDARD DETAIL "SPAN WIRE AND SIGNAL INSTALLATION".

NO. 21 SIGNAL POLE LOADING

ALL METAL STRAIN POLES FURNISHED SHALL HAVE A MINIMUM WORKING LOAD CAPACITY OF 4,000 POUNDS APPLIED ONE (1) FOOT BELOW TOP OF POLE, UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED.

NO. 22 SIGNAL POLE FINISH REPAIR

IF HOT-DIPPED GALVANIZED STEEL POLES ARE DAMAGED, THE DAMAGED GALVANIZED SHALL BE REPAIRED BY THE CONTRACTOR IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION 811.15 OF THE LADOTD STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS.

NO. 23 SIGNAL POLE ELECTRICAL CLEARANCES

THE CONTRACTOR IS RESPONSIBLE FOR MAINTAINING PROPER CLEARANCES FROM EXISTING UTILITY LINES AND LUMINARIES ACCORDING TO THE NATIONAL ELECTRICAL CODE.

NO. 24 STANDARDS

A. ALL WORK SHALL CONFORM TO THE STATE OF LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND DEVELOPMENT (LADOTD) STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS FOR ROADS AND BRIDGES, LATEST EDITION, AND PROJECT SPECIAL PROVISION SPECIFICATIONS.

B. ALL SIGNS, SIGNALS, PAVEMENT MARKINGS AND TEMPORARY TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES ARE TO CONFORM TO THE MANUAL ON UNIFORM TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES (MUTCD) (MILLENIUM EDITION AND ALL SUBSEQUENT REVISIONS).

NO. 25 TRAFFIC CONTROL, EXISTING SIGNALS

A. THE CONTRACTOR, AT NO DIRECT PAY, SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE CONTINUAL OPERATION OF THE EXISTING OR TEMPORARY TRAFFIC SIGNALS DURING THE PERIOD OF CONSTRUCTION WHICH INCLUDES RELOCATING OF POLES, DETECTORS, SIGNAL HEADS, AND OTHER ITEMS, AND SHALL PROVIDE TEMPORARY POLES OR OTHER MATERIALS NECESSARY TO ENSURE THE CONTINUAL OPERATION OF THE SIGNAL AND COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT AT ALL TIMES. WHERE VEHICLE DETECTORS ARE PRESENT, VEHICLE DETECTION MUST BE MAINTAINED.

B. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL SCHEDULE WORK SO THAT THE CHANGEOVER FROM THE EXISTING SIGNAL EQUIPMENT TO THE NEW SIGNAL EQUIPMENT SHALL BE DONE EXPEDITIOUSLY.

C. THIS CHANGEOVER SHOULD BE SCHEDULED DURING NON PEAK HOUR TRAFFIC CONDITIONS.

NO. 26 TRAFFIC CONTROL, POLICE ASSISTANCE

THE CONTRACTOR SHALL PROVIDE POLICE SUPERVISION OF TRAFFIC AT ANYTIME THE TRAFFIC SIGNAL SYSTEM IS NOT IN OPERATION AT NO DIRECT PAY IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION 736.04 OF THE LADOTD STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS. THESE PROVISIONS SHALL CONTINUE SHALL CONTINUE UNTIL ALL EQUIPMENT HAS BEEN INSTALLED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PLANS.

NO. 27 UTILITIES, UNDERGROUND

A. UNDERGROUND UTILITIES ARE EXISTING IN THE CONSTRUCTION AREAS. THE LOCATION AND TYPE SHOWN IS NOT GUARANTEED TO BE ACCURATE NOR ALL INCLUSIVE. THE INFORMATION IS SHOWN SOLELY FOR USE IN ESTABLISHING DESIGN CONTROLS FOR THE PROJECT. THE ENGINEER DOES NOT GUARANTEE ACCURACY OR CUARANTEE THAT ALL UTILITIES ARE SHOWN.

B. BEFORE ANY EXCAVATIONS, THE CONTRACTOR SHALL CONTACT "LOUISIANA ONE CALL", THE APPROPRIATE UTILITY COMPANY, AND LADOTD TRAFFIC SERVICES (925-0100) FOR LOCATION OF THEIR UNDERGROUND SERVICE A MINIMUM OF 48 HOURS PRIOR TO BEGINNING CONSTRUCTION. THE "LOUISIANA ONE CALL" NUMBER IS 1-800-272-3020.

C. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR DETERMINING THE EXACT LOCATION, DEPTH, AND SIZE OF ALL UNDERGROUND UTILITIES AND STRUCTURES AND SHALL BE LIABLE FOR ANY DAMAGES CAUSED BY FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THESE INSTRUCTIONS. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR MAKING INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATIONS, INCLUDING SUBSURFACE INVESTIGATIONS AS NECESSARY.

STATE OF LOUISIANA
REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER IN CIVIL ENGINEERING

EXAMPLE

DATE	DESCRIPTION	BY
	REVISIONS	

TRAFFIC SIGNAL PLANS

PROJECT TITLE
INTERSECTION OR CORRIDOR NAME

(DESIGN ORGANIZATION)

STATE OF LOUISIANA
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND DEVELOPMENT

DESIGNED:	DETAILED:	SCALE:
CHECKED:	CHECKED:	DATE:

FIGURE 3B-2

SUMMARY OF QUANTITIES
LADOTD INTERSECTIONS

FEDERAL PROJECT Nº	STATE PROJECT Nº	PARISH	SHEET Nº
XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXXXX	3

ITEM NO.	ITEM DESCRIPTION	UNITS	4 AIRLINE HWY. (US 61) AT E. INDUSTRIAL		5 AIRLINE HWY. (US 61) AT CHOCTAW		6 AIRLINE HWY. (US 61) AT TOM DR.		7 AIRLINE HWY. (US 61) AT HOME DEPOT		8 AIRLINE HWY. (US 61) AT FLORLINE		9 FLORIDA BLVD. (US 190) AT FOSTER		10 FLORIDA BLVD. (US 190) AT CLOUD		11 FLORIDA BLVD. (US 190) AT ARDENWOOD		12 FLORIDA BLVD. (US 190) AT DONMOOR		13 FLORIDA BLVD. (US 190) AT BON MARCHE'		14 FLORIDA BLVD. (US 190) AT LOBDELL		15 FLORIDA BLVD. (US 190) AT WOODDALE		16 PERKINS RD. AT SIEGEN LN.		17 PERKINS RD. AT OAKDALE		18 PERKINS RD. AT BLUEBONNET		19 PERKINS RD. AT ESSEN/STARRING		20 PERKINS RD. AT ONE PERKINS PL.		LADOTD TOTAL	
			EST.	FINAL	EST.	FINAL	EST.	FINAL	EST.	FINAL	EST.	FINAL	EST.	FINAL	EST.	FINAL	EST.	FINAL	EST.	FINAL	EST.	FINAL	EST.	FINAL	EST.	FINAL	EST.	FINAL	EST.	FINAL	EST.	FINAL	EST.	FINAL	EST.	FINAL	EST.	FINAL
736-01	TRENCHING AND BACKFILLING	L. METER	336	-	194	-	228	-	-	-	671	-	532	-	283	-	297	-	364	-	233	-	144	-	504	-	151	-	137	-	183	-	425	-	47	-	4729	-
736-03-A	JACKING OR BORING CONDUIT (19.0 MM (3/4") P.E.C.)	L. METER	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
736-03-B	JACKING OR BORING CONDUIT (25.4 MM (1") P.E.C.)	L. METER	228	-	250	-	246	-	-	-	175	-	222	-	216	-	184	-	201	-	201	-	262	-	300	-	340	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2825	-
736-03-C	JACKING OR BORING CONDUIT (50.8 MM (2") P.E.C.)	L. METER	-	-	17	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	54	-
736-03-D	JACKING OR BORING CONDUIT (76.2 MM (3") P.E.C.)	L. METER	155	-	622	-	455	-	701	-	253	-	350	-	336	-	803	-	366	-	180	-	835	-	230	-	35	-	994	-	1170	-	2150	-	655	-	10290	-
736-04-A	SIGNAL SUPPORT, (9 M (30') GALVANIZED STEEL STRAIN POLE)	EACH	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
736-04-B	SIGNAL SUPPORT (9 M (30') GALVANIZED STEEL STRAIN POLE WITH LUMINAIRE)	EACH	4	-	4	-	4	-	-	-	3	-	4	-	4	-	4	-	4	-	4	-	4	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	43	-
736-04-C	SIGNAL SUPPORT, (MAST ARM STANDARD WITH 10.7M (35') ARM W/ LUMINAIRE)	EACH	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
736-04-D	SIGNAL SUPPORT, (MAST ARM STANDARD WITH 12.2M (40') ARM W/ LUMINAIRE)	EACH	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
736-04-E	SIGNAL SUPPORT, (MAST ARM STANDARD WITH 13.7M (45') ARM W/ LUMINAIRE)	EACH	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
736-04-F	SIGNAL SUPPORT, (MAST ARM STANDARD WITH 7.6 M (25') + 10.7 M (35') ARMS W/ LUMINAIRE)	EACH	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
736-04-G	SIGNAL SUPPORT, (MAST ARM STANDARD WITH 7.6 M (25') + 12.2 M (40') ARMS W/ LUMINAIRE)	EACH	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
736-04-H	SIGNAL SUPPORT, (MAST ARM STANDARD WITH 10.7 M (35') + 10.7 M (35') ARMS W/ LUMINAIRE)	EACH	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
736-04-I	SIGNAL SUPPORT, (MAST ARM STANDARD WITH 10.7 M (35') + 13.7 M (45') ARMS W/ LUMINAIRE)	EACH	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
736-04-J	SIGNAL SUPPORT, (MAST ARM STANDARD WITH 13.7 M (45') + 13.7 M (45') ARMS W/ LUMINAIRE)	EACH	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
736-04-K	SIGNAL SUPPORT, (MAST ARM STANDARD WITH 12.2 M (40') + 13.7 M (45') ARMS W/ LUMINAIRE)	EACH	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
736-04-L	SIGNAL SUPPORT, (PEDESTRIAN PEDESTAL)	EACH	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-
736-05-A	SIGNAL HEAD (3-SECTION, R, Y, G, 12" LENS)	EACH	8	-	6	-	6	-	-	-	5	-	6	-	10	-	9	-	9	-	6	-	9	-	9	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	91	-
736-05-B	SIGNAL HEAD (3-SECTION, R,~~Y~~,~~G~~, 12" LENS)	EACH	-	-	3	-	2	-	-	-	1	-	4	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21	-
736-05-C	SIGNAL HEAD (3-SECTION, R,~~Y~~,~~G~~, 12" LENS)	EACH	-	-	3	-	2	-	-	-	1	-	3	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	1	-	4	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18	-
736-05-D	SIGNAL HEAD (4-SECTION, R, Y,~~G~~, G, 12" LENS)	EACH	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	2	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	-
736-05-E	SIGNAL HEAD (4-SECTION, R, Y,~~G~~, G, 12" LENS)	EACH	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
736-05-F	SIGNAL HEAD (5-SECTION, R,~~Y~~, Y,~~G~~, G, 12" LENS)	EACH	2	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	2	-	2	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	16	-
736-05-G	SIGNAL HEAD (5-SECTION, R, Y,~~Y~~, G,~~G~~, 12" LENS)	EACH	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	-
736-05-H	SIGNAL HEAD (WALK, DON'T WALK)	EACH	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	-
736-05-I	SIGNAL HEAD (3-SECTION, R, Y, G, 12" LENS) (OPTICALLY PROG.)	EACH	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-
736-05-J	SIGNAL HEAD (3-SECTION, R,~~Y~~,~~G~~, 12" LENS) (OPTICALLY PROG.)	EACH	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-
736-05-K	SIGNAL HEAD (5-SECTION, R, Y,~~Y~~, G,~~G~~, 12" LENS) (OPTICALLY PROG.)	EACH	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
736-06-A	SIGNAL SERVICE (POLE MOUNTED)	EACH	1	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	1	-	1	-	1	-	1	-	1	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	-
736-06-B	SIGNAL SERVICE (PEDESTAL MOUNTED)	EACH	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	-
736-06-C	SIGNAL SERVICE (FOR STREET LUMINAIRES)	EACH	1	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	1	-	1	-	1	-	1	-	1	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	13	-
736-08-A	SIGNAL CONTROLLER (INSTALLATION ONLY OF NEMA TS-2, TYPE 2 CONTROLLER, TS-1 CABINET AND RELATED ITEMS)	EACH	1	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	-	-	10	-
736-08-B	SIGNAL CONTROLLER (INSTALLATION ONLY OF NEMA TS-2, TYPE 2 CONTROLLER, MODIFIED TS-1 CABINET AND RELATED ITEMS)	EACH	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-
736-09	LOOP DETECTOR (SAWCUT, LOOP WIRE, SEALANT)	L. METER	380	-	587	-	441	-	-	-	407	-	620	-	308	-	598	-	292	-	279	-	631	-	550	-	359	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5452	-
736-10-A	UNDERGROUND JUNCTION BOX (TYPE "D")	EACH	5	-	3	-	5	-	-	-	6	-	1	-	2	-	3	-	2	-	3	-	1	-	2	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	37	-
736-10-B	UNDERGROUND JUNCTION BOX (TYPE "E")	EACH	15	-	16	-	16	-	7	-	12	-	20	-	15	-	18	-	13	-	8	-	17	-	15	-	12	-	14	-	15	-	29	-	6	-	248	-
736-10-C	UNDERGROUND JUNCTION BOX (TYPE "F")	EACH	3	-	2	-	2	-	1	-	4	-	1	-	1	-	2	-	1	-	2	-	2	-	4	-	3	-	1	-	-	-	2	-	1	-	32	-
736-11-A	CONDUIT, (12.7 MM (1/2") P.E.C.)	L. METER	47	-	38	-	75	-	-	-	46	-	49	-	29	-	81	-	33	-	63	-	58	-	49	-	22	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	590	-
736-11-B	CONDUIT, (19.0 MM (3/4") P.E.C.)	L. METER	-	-	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	52	-
736-11-C	CONDUIT, (25.4 MM (1") P.E.C.)	L. METER	278	-	124	-	106	-	-	-	174	-	48	-	115	-	85	-	69	-	167	-	41	-	30	-	110	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	41	-	1388	-
736-11-D	CONDUIT, (50.8 MM (2") P.E.C.)	L. METER	3	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	62	-	50	-	22	-	-	-	5	-	31	-	22	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	200	-
736-11-E	CONDUIT, (76.2 MM (3") P.E.C.)	L. METER	160	-	17	-	33	-	-	-	451	-	350	-	89	-	114	-	257	-	3	-	15	-	403	-	19	-	137	-	183	-	514	-	3	-	2748	-
736-12-A	CONDUCTOR, 2C (LOOP LEAD-IN/#16 AWG)	L. METER	385	-	507	-	479	-	-	-	496	-	783	-	583	-	614	-	489	-	606	-	618	-	75	-	662	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6297	-
736-12-B	CONDUCTOR, 3C (POWER)	L. METER	17	-	11	-	10	-	-	-	19	-	30	-	71	-	53	-	12	-	36	-	8	-	26	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	297	-
736-12-C	CONDUCTOR, 3C (ILLUMINATED SIGN)	L. METER	12	-	16	-	12	-	-	-	32	-	8	-	20	-	20	-	16	-	6	-	16	-	8	-	32	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	12	-	218	-
736-12-D	CONDUCTOR, 3C (EMERGENCY PREMPTION)	L. METER	6	-	16	-	12	-	6	-	24	-	8	-	10	-	20	-	16	-	6	-	16	-	8	-	32	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	9	-	197	-
736-12-E	CONDUCTOR, 3C (PUSH BUTTONS)	L. METER	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	58	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	58	-
736-12-F	CONDUCTOR, 3C (LUMINAIRES)	L. METER	159	-	195	-	156	-	-	-	139	-	109	-	136	-	179	-	107	-	141	-	154	-	-	-	145	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	123	-	1743	-
736-12-G	CONDUCTOR, 4C (TELEPHONE)	L. METER	-	-	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	52	-
736-12-H	CONDUCTOR, 6C (SIGNAL/#14 AWG)	L. METER	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	6	-	15	-	78	-	8	-	9	-	10	-	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	144	-
736-12-I	CONDUCTOR, 10C (SIGNAL/#14 AWG)	L. METER	18	-	52	-	21	-	-	-	72	-	14	-	25	-	40	-	20	-	9	-	40	-	14	-	96	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	421	-
736-12-J	CONDUCTOR, (FIBER OPTIC CABLE, 36 COUNT (6/6) (24 COUNT MULTI-MODE, 12 COUNT SINGLE MODE)	L. METER	315	-	625	-	486	-	701	-	661	-	655	-	451	-	899	-	336	-	180	-	840	-	629	-	38	-	1131	-	1353	-	2664	-	658	-	12622	-
ITEM NO.	SPECIAL ITEMS																																					
S-001	EMERGENCY VEHICLE PREEMPTION EMITTER	EACH	1	-	1	-	1	-	1	-	1	-	1	-	1	-	1	-	1	-	1	-	1	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	15	-
S-002	EMERGENCY VEHICLE UNIDIRECTIONAL DETECTOR	EACH	2	-	4	-	4	-	2	-	3	-	4	-	2	-	4	-	4	-	2	-	4	-	4	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	3	-	50	-
S-003	INTERNALLY ILLUMINATED STREET NAME SIGNS (304.8MM (12") X VARIES)	EACH	4	-	4	-	4	-	-	-	4	-	4	-	4	-	4	-	4	-	2	-	4	-	4	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	4	-	53	-
S-004	INTERNALLY ILLUMINATED STREET NAME SIGNS (457.2MM (18") X VARIES)	EACH	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
S-005	PEDESTRIAN PUSH BUTTON	EACH	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	-
S-006	UPGRADE OF EXISTING SIGNAL CONTROLLERS/CABINETS AND RELATED ITEMS (INCLUDES 59 INTERSECTIONS TO BE UPGRADED, NOT INCLUDED IN THESE PLANS)	EACH	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	33	-
S-007	PULLING CONDUCTORS THROUGH EXISTING CONDUIT	L. METER	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	7	-	20	-
S-008	TESTING OF EXISTING LOOP DETECTORS	EACH	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9	-	11	-	9	-	9	-	43	-
S-009	MOUNTING (U-CHANNEL POST) (4 M (12 FT.))	EACH	1	-	3	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	1	-	1	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	2	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13	-
S-010	MOUNTING (U-CHANNEL POST) (2 M (5 FT.))	EACH	4	-	7	-	5	-	8	-	10	-	8	-	5	-	10	-	4	-	2	-	9	-	8	-	-	-	12	-	15	-	23	-	4	-	134	-
S-011	FLASHING BEACON SIGN "PREPARE TO STOP WHEN FLASHING"	EACH	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
S-012	"BURIED TRAFFIC FIBER OPTICS CABLE" SIGN (102 MM X 305 MM) (4" X12")	EACH	4	-	7	-	5	-	8	-	10	-	8	-	5	-	10	-	4	-	2	-	9	-	8	-	-	-	12	-	15	-	23	-	4	-	134	-

DATE	DESCRIPTION	BY
	REVISIONS	

STATE OF LOUISIANA
REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER IN CIVIL ENGINEERING

EXAMPLE

TRAFFIC SIGNAL PLANS

PROJECT TITLE
CORRIDOR NAME(S)

(DESIGN ORGANIZATION)

STATE OF LOUISIANA
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND DEVELOPMENT

DESIGNED:	DETAILED:	SCALE:
CHECKED:	CHECKED:	DATE:

FIGURE 3B-3

PATH/PROJECT NUMBER

FEDERAL PROJECT Nº	STATE PROJECT Nº	PARISH	SHEET Nº
XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXX	4

LEGEND

EXISTING	PROPOSED	
	N/A	POWER POLE/OVERHEAD POWER
	N/A	COMBINATION POWER POLE
N/A		SIGNAL JUNCTION BOX
N/A		SIGNAL CONTROLLER
N/A		SIGN, SPAN WIRE MOUNTED
		POLE MOUNTED SIGN
N/A	2	SIGNAL HEAD
	N/A	LIGHT PEDESTAL
	N/A	SEWER MANHOLE
	N/A	RIGHT-OF-WAY
	N/A	DITCH
G	N/A	GAS LINE
SS	N/A	SANITARY SEWER
N/A		UNDERGROUND CABLE IN CONDUIT
N/A		CABLES IN JACKED OR BORED CONDUIT
N/A	2	SIGNAL VEHICLE DETECTOR W/PHASE DESIGNATION
N/A		STOP LINE
N/A		POWER SOURCE
N/A		SIGNAL STRAIN POLE
N/A		EMERGENCY VEHICLE DETECTOR
N/A		RAILROAD FLASHERS

SIGN LAYOUT

BLANK OUT R3-1 24" X 24" #7

LEFT TURN YIELD ON GREEN
R10-12 24" X 30" #1,2

BLANK OUT R3-2 24" X 24" #8

MAIN ST.
S-1 (12" x VARIES) #3, 4

MINOR ST.
S-2 (12" x VARIES) #5, 6

NOTE: 1) SIGNS 3, 4, 5, AND 6 BRACKET MOUNTED TO SIGNAL POLES. SIGNS TO HAVE WHITE LETTERS ON A GREEN BACKGROUND AND TO BE DOUBLE FACED.
2) BLANK OUT SIGNS 7 AND 8 TO BE USED FOR RAILROAD PREEMPTION.

SIGNAL INDICATIONS

SIGNAL HEAD NUMBERS	1,2,5, 6,8,9	3,4	7,10
	R Y G	R Y G	R Y G

NOTES: 1) ALL SIGNAL FACES TO HAVE 12 INCH DIAMETER LENSES
2) ALL SIGNAL HEADS TO BE GREEN IN COLOR

NOTES

A. INSTALL A 8 PHASE NEMA CONTROLLER IN A TYPE 6 BASE MOUNTED CONTROLLER CABINET IN ACCORDANCE WITH LADOTD STANDARDS. THE CABINET SHALL BE ORIENTED FOR THE TRAFFIC ENGINEER TO FACE INTERSECTION WHEN OPENED.

B. INSTALL ELECTRICAL SERVICE DISCONNECT. SEE LADOTD "TYPICAL ELECTRICAL SERVICE" STANDARD DETAIL. CONTRACTOR SHALL COORDINATE WITH POWER COMPANY FOR POWER SOURCE WHEN INSTALLING ELECTRICAL SERVICE. POWER CABLE TO BE INSTALLED BY POWER COMPANY.

C. RELOCATED POWER POLE.

D. INSTALL TYPE D JUNCTION BOX.

E. INSTALL TYPE E JUNCTION BOX.

F. INSTALL TYPE F JUNCTION BOX.

G. INSTALL GALVANIZED STEEL STRAIN POLE (30 FT.). THE TOP OF THE POLE FOUNDATION IS TO BE LEVEL WITH THE CROWN OF THE ROADWAY.

H. INSTALL TYPE H JUNCTION BOX.

I. INSTALL VEHICLE LOOP DETECTORS IN ACCORDANCE WITH LADOTD STANDARDS.

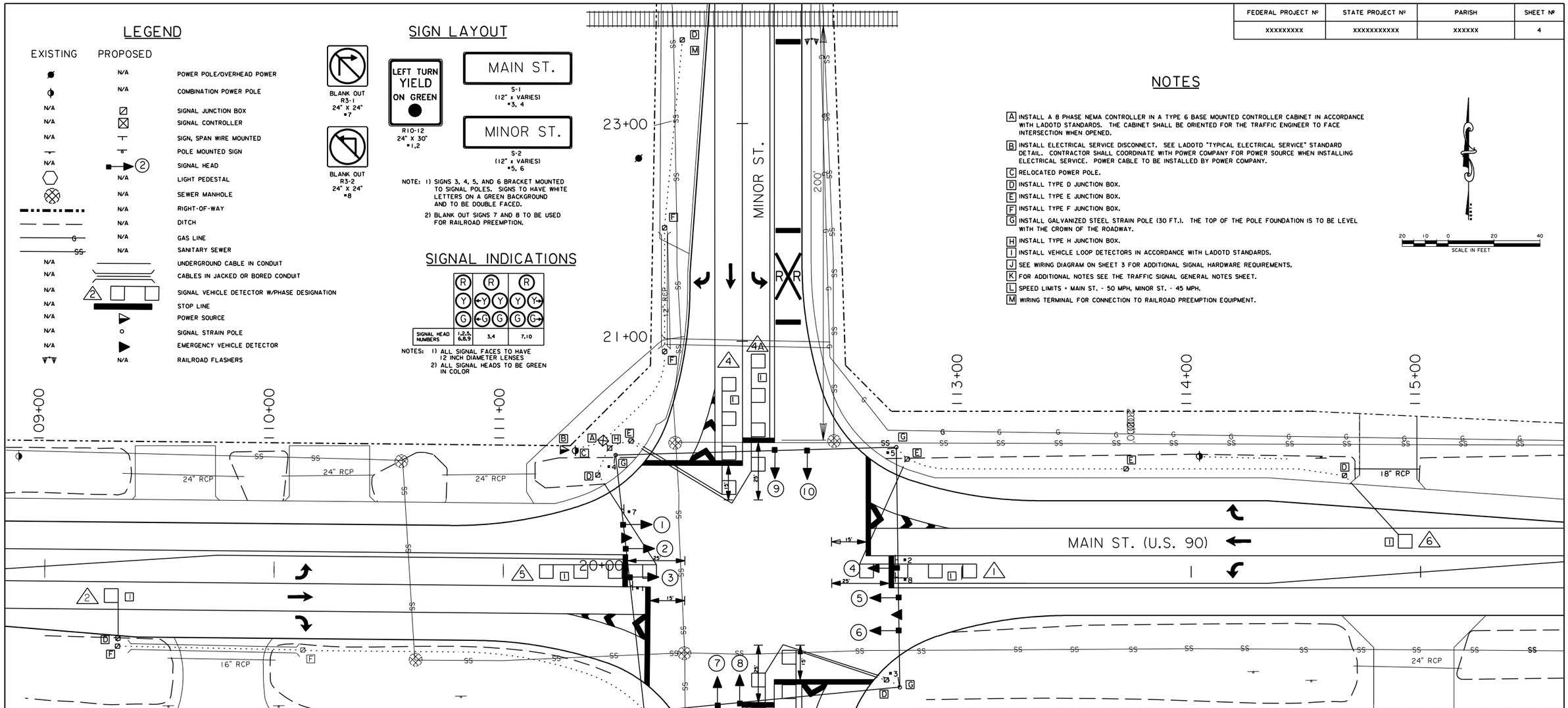
J. SEE WIRING DIAGRAM ON SHEET 3 FOR ADDITIONAL SIGNAL HARDWARE REQUIREMENTS.

K. FOR ADDITIONAL NOTES SEE THE TRAFFIC SIGNAL GENERAL NOTES SHEET.

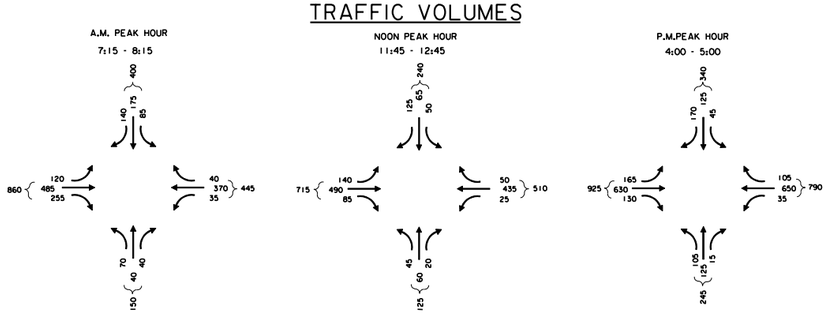
L. SPEED LIMITS • MAIN ST. - 50 MPH, MINOR ST. - 45 MPH.

M. WIRING TERMINAL FOR CONNECTION TO RAILROAD PREEMPTION EQUIPMENT.

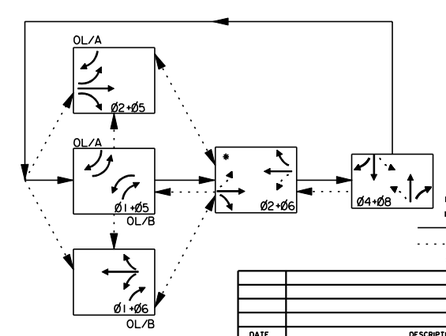
20 10 0 20 40
SCALE IN FEET



TRAFFIC VOLUMES



FREE OPERATION SIGNAL PHASING DIAGRAM



NOTES:
- PERMITTED LT TURN
- PROTECTED LT TURN
- PRIMARY SEQUENCE
- SECONDARY SEQUENCE
- PHASE ON MIN. RECALL

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EXAMPLE

DATE	DESCRIPTION	BY
	REVISIONS	

TRAFFIC SIGNAL PLANS
PROJECT TITLE
INTERSECTION NAME (TSI NO. 500)

(DESIGN ORGANIZATION)

STATE OF LOUISIANA
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND DEVELOPMENT

DESIGNED:	DETAILED:	SCALE: 1"=20'
CHECKED:	CHECKED:	DATE:

SURVEY AND BASE MAP SOURCE: PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS, INC.

TRAFFIC COUNT SOURCE: LA DOTD PLANNING SECTION

PATH/PROJECT NUMBER

FIGURE 3B-4

FEDERAL PROJECT Nº	STATE PROJECT Nº	PARISH	SHEET N º
XXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	5

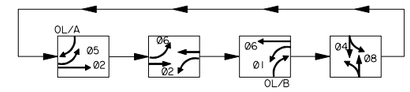
LEGEND

EXISTING	PROPOSED	
	N/A	COMBINATION POWER POLE
N/A		SIGNAL JUNCTION BOX
N/A		SIGNAL CONTROLLER
N/A	(2)	SIGNAL HEAD
N/A		UNDERGROUND CABLE IN CONDUIT
N/A		CABLES IN JACKED OR BORED CONDUIT
N/A	(2)	SIGNAL VEHICLE DETECTOR W/PHASE DESIGNATION
N/A		POWER SOURCE
N/A		SIGNAL STRAIN POLE
N/A		EMERGENCY VEHICLE DETECTOR

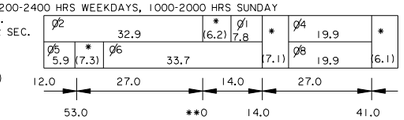
SIGNAL WIRING SCHEDULE

WIRING CODE	WIRING TYPE 2C	3C	6C	10C	1 EC	CONDUIT NO.	CONDUIT Ø SIZE	LOCATION (UNDER GROUND)	LOCATION (OVER HEAD)
A	(1) LOOP WIRE					1	(1/2")	✓	
B	1					1	(1")	✓	
C	2					1	(2")	✓	
D	5	2	2	6	2	1	(4")	✓	
E	8	2	2	6	2	1	(4")	✓	
F		1(POWER)				1	(2")	✓	
G			1						✓
H			1	1					✓
I	1		1	1					✓
J	1		1	2					✓
K	1		2	2					✓
L	1		2	2	1				
M	1		1	3	1				✓
N	1	1	1	3	1				✓
O	2								✓
P	2		1						✓
Q	2		1		1				
R	2		1	1	1				✓
S	2	1	1	1	1				✓
T	2	1		2	1				✓
U	4	1		2	1				✓
V	4	1		3	1				✓
W	4	1	1	3	1				✓

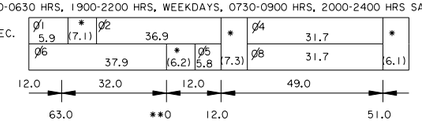
TOD SIGNAL PHASING/TIMING



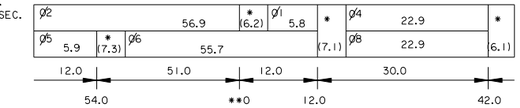
PLAN 1 OPERATES: 2200-2400 HRS WEEKDAYS, 1000-2000 HRS SUNDAY
CYCLE LENGTH=80 SEC.
OFFSET=79.0% OR 63.2 SEC.



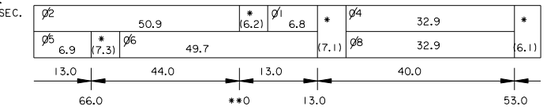
PLAN 2 OPERATES: 0500-0630 HRS, 1900-2200 HRS, WEEKDAYS, 0730-0900 HRS, 2000-2400 HRS SATURDAY
CYCLE LENGTH=95 SEC.
OFFSET=36.6% OR 33.8 SEC.



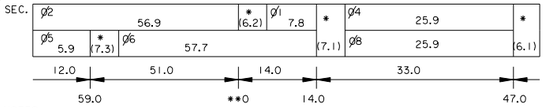
PLAN 3 OPERATES: 0630-1000 HRS WEEKDAYS, 0900-2000 HRS SATURDAY
CYCLE LENGTH=105 SEC.
OFFSET=17.4% OR 18.3 SEC.



PLAN 4 OPERATES: 1000-1500 HRS WEEKDAYS
CYCLE LENGTH=110 SEC.
OFFSET=88.5% OR 97.3 SEC.



PLAN 5 OPERATES: 1500-1900 HRS WEEKDAYS
CYCLE LENGTH=110 SEC.
OFFSET=91.7% OR 100.9 SEC.



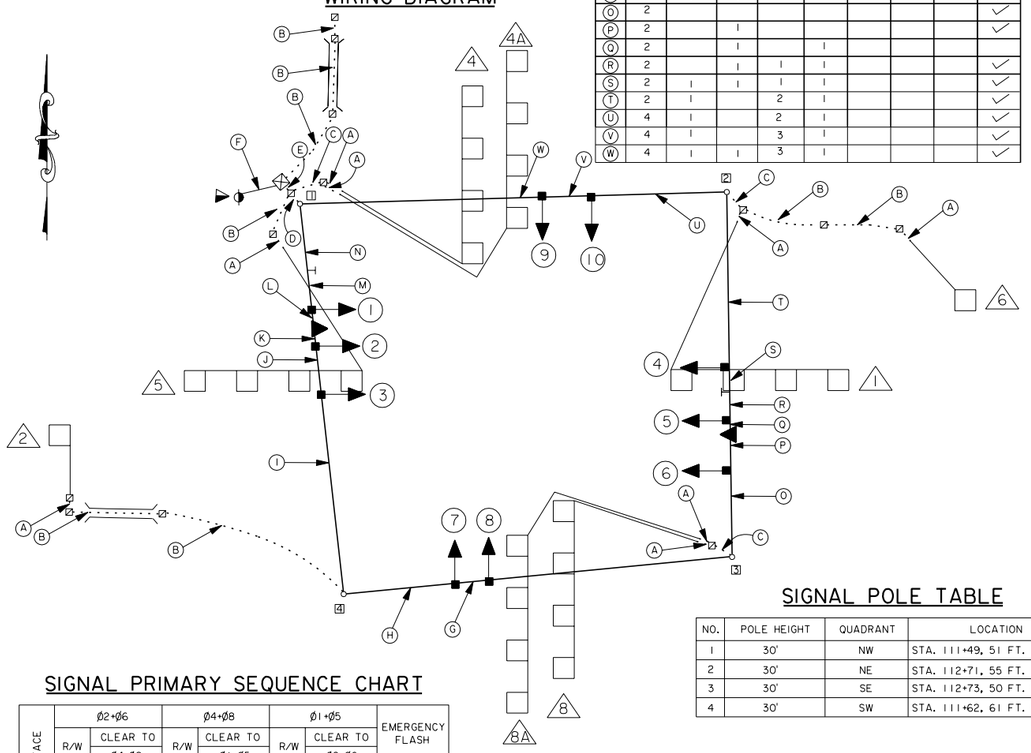
NOTES:
1) TOD COORDINATION TIME SHALL CALL SYSTEM TO MAX. 2.
2) * DENOTES CLEARANCE INTERVAL.
3) ** DENOTES LOCAL TIME ZERO.
4) THE ORDER OF PHASES 2 AND 5 ARE TO BE REVERSED WITH PHASES 1 AND 6 RESPECTIVELY DURING PLAN 2.

PHASE TIMING PARAMETERS

PHASE DESIGNATION	Ø1	Ø2	Ø4	Ø5	Ø6	Ø8
MOVEMENT DESCRIPTION	WB LT	EB	SB	EB LT	WB	NB
PARAMETER						
MIN. INITIAL (MIN I)	3.0	10.0	6.0	3.0	10.0	6.0
ADDED INITIAL (ADDI)(SEC/VEH)	-	1.0	-	-	1.0	-
INITIAL GAP (I GAP)(PASSAGE TIME)	1.5	3.2	1.5	1.5	3.2	1.5
MIN GAP (M GAP)	-	2.5	-	-	2.5	-
TIME BEFORE GAP (TBGR)	-	15.0	-	-	15.0	-
TIME TO REDUCE GAP (TTR)	-	10.0	-	-	10.0	-
MAX GREEN I (MAX I)	8.0	33.0	22.0	7.0	35.0	22.0
MAX GREEN II (MAX II)	9.0	99.0	35.0	7.0	99.0	35.0
YELLOW CLEARANCE (YEL)	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
RED CLEARANCE (RED)	2.1	1.2	1.1	2.3	1.2	1.1
RECALL FUNTION (RECL)	OFF	MIN	OFF	OFF	MIN	OFF

NOTES: 1) MAX II OPERATES: 0500-2400 WEEKDAYS, 0730-2400 SAT. 1000-2000 SUN.
2) MAX I OPERATES: ALL OTHER TIMES.
3) START UP PHASES Ø2+Ø6.
4) FLASH TIME ON MONITOR - 7 SEC.
5) RED REVERT - 6 SEC.

WIRING DIAGRAM



SIGNAL POLE TABLE

NO.	POLE HEIGHT	QUADRANT	LOCATION
1	30'	NW	STA. 111+49, 51 FT. LEFT
2	30'	NE	STA. 112+71, 55 FT. LEFT
3	30'	SE	STA. 112+73, 50 FT. RIGHT
4	30'	SW	STA. 111+62, 61 FT. RIGHT

LOOP INSTALLATION CHART

LOOP NO.	SIZE	TURNS	DIST. FROM STOP BAR	FUNCTION	MODE	CARD, CHANNEL	SPECIAL FEATURE
1	4-6'X6'	3	-15'	Ø1	PRESENCE	1, 1	5 SEC. DELAY
2	1-6'X6'	3	230'	Ø2	PRESENCE	1, 4	
4	4-6'X6'	3	-15'	Ø4	PRESENCE	2, 1	
4A	4-6'X6'	3	-15'	Ø4	PRESENCE	2, 2	
5	1-6'X6'	3	-15'	Ø5	PRESENCE	1, 3	5 SEC. DELAY
6	1-6'X6'	3	230'	Ø6	PRESENCE	1, 2	
8	4-6'X6'	3	-15'	Ø8	PRESENCE	2, 3	
8A	4-6'X6'	3	-15'	Ø8	PRESENCE	2, 4	

(:) MEASURED FROM THE FRONT OF THE DETECTOR TO THE BACK OF THE STOP LINE.

SUMMARY OF QUANTITIES

ITEM NO.	ITEM DESCRIPTION	UNITS	QUANTITY
202-02	REMOVAL OF EXISTING SIGNAL EQUIPMENT & RELATED ITEMS	LUMP	LUMP
727-01	MOBILIZATION	LUMP	LUMP
729-01-A	SIGN(TYPE A)(R10-12)(24"x30") "LT TURN YIELD ON GREEN"(2 EACH LADOTD)	SQ. FT.	10
729-01-B	SIGN(TYPE A)(R3-1)(24"x24") BLANK OUT SIGN "NO RIGHT TURN" (1 EACH LADOTD)	SQ. FT.	4
729-01-C	SIGN(TYPE A)(R3-2)(24"x24")BLANK OUT SIGN "NO LEFT TURN" (1 EACH LADOTD)	SQ. FT.	4
736-01	TRENCHING AND BACKFILLING	L. FT.	665
736-03	JACKING OR BORING CONDUIT (1" P.E.C.)	L. FT.	121
736-04	SIGNAL SUPPORT (30' STEEL STRAIN POLE)	EACH	4
736-05-A	SIGNAL HEAD (3-SECTION, RYG)	EACH	6
736-05-B	SIGNAL HEAD (5-SECTION, RYG◄Y◄G)	EACH	2
736-05-C	SIGNAL HEAD (5-SECTION, RYGY►G►)	EACH	2
736-06	SIGNAL SERVICE (POLE MOUNTED)	EACH	1
736-08	SIGNAL CONTROLLER, NEMA 8-PHASE, TYPE 6 BASE MOUNTED CABINET, ALL IN ACCORDANCE WITH LADOTD STANDARDS	EACH	1
736-09	LOOP DETECTOR (SAWCUT, LOOP WIRE, SEALANT)	L. FT.	1163
736-10-A	UNDERGROUND JUNCTION BOX (TYPE "D")	EACH	5
736-10-B	UNDERGROUND JUNCTION BOX (TYPE "E")	EACH	4
736-10-C	UNDERGROUND JUNCTION BOX (TYPE "F")	EACH	4
736-10-D	UNDERGROUND JUNCTION BOX (TYPE "H")	EACH	1
736-11-A	CONDUIT (1/2" P.E.C.)	L. FT.	44
736-11-B	CONDUIT (1" P.E.C.)	L. FT.	574
736-11-C	CONDUIT (2" P.E.C.)	L. FT.	43
736-11-D	CONDUIT (4" P.E.C.)	L. FT.	8
736-12-A	CONDUCTOR, 2C (LOOP LEAD-IN/#16 AWG)	L. FT.	543
736-12-B	CONDUCTOR, 2C (#14 AWG STRANDED)	L. FT.	250
736-12-C	CONDUCTOR, 3C (POWER, 6 GAUGE/#6 AWG)	L. FT.	14
736-12-D	CONDUCTOR, 3C (BLANK OUT SIGNS #14 AWG)	L. FT.	10
736-12-E	CONDUCTOR, 3C (EMERGENCY PREEMPTION)	L. FT.	10
736-12-F	CONDUCTOR, 6C (SIGNAL/#14 AWG)	L. FT.	16
736-12-G	CONDUCTOR, 10C (SIGNAL/#14 AWG)	L. FT.	48
S-001	ST. NAME SIGNS, DOUBLE FACED, (VARIES X 12"), "MINOR ST."	EACH	2
S-002	ST. NAME SIGNS, DOUBLE FACED, (VARIES X 12"), "MAIN ST."	EACH	2
S-003	EMERGENCY VEHICLE PREEMPTION CHASIS AND PHASE SELECTOR (2 CHANNEL)	EACH	1
S-004	EMERGENCY VEHICLE UNIDIRECTIONAL DETECTOR	EACH	2

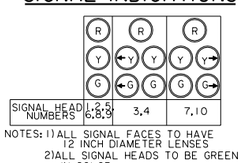
SIGNAL PRIMARY SEQUENCE CHART

FACE	Ø2+Ø6 R/W	CLEAR TO Ø4+Ø8		Ø4+Ø8 R/W	CLEAR TO Ø1+Ø5		Ø1+Ø5 R/W	CLEAR TO Ø2+Ø6		EMERGENCY FLASH
1,2	G	Y	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	Y
3	G	Y	R	R	R	R	R/◄G	R/◄Y	R	Y
4	G	Y	R	R	R	R	R/◄G	R/◄Y	R	Y
5,6	G	Y	R	R	R	R	R	◆	R	Y
7	R	R	R	G	Y	R	R/G►	R/Y►	R	R
8,9	R	R	R	G	Y	R	R	R	R	R
10	R	R	R	G	Y	R	R/G►	R/Y►	R	R

HEAD ASSIGNMENT

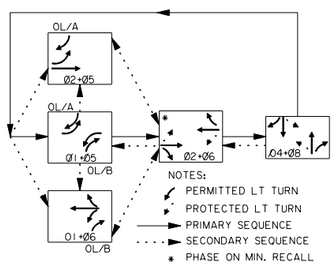
FACE	HEADS	PHASE
1,2,3	R Y G	Ø 6
3	◄Y◄G	Ø 1
4,5,6	R Y G	Ø 2
4	◄Y◄G	Ø 5
7,8	R Y G	Ø 4
7	Y►G►	OL/A
9,10	R Y G	Ø 8
10	Y►G►	OL/B

SIGNAL INDICATIONS



NOTES: 1) ALL SIGNAL FACES TO HAVE 12 INCH DIAMETER LENSES
2) ALL SIGNAL HEADS TO BE GREEN IN COLOR

FREE OPERATION SIGNAL PHASING DIAGRAM



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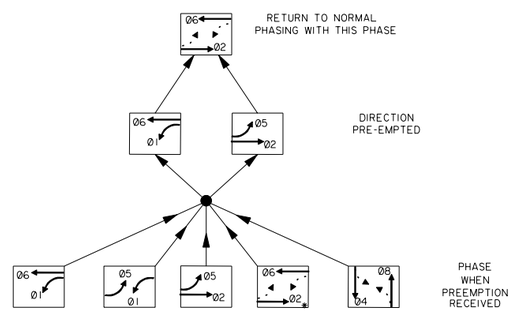

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TRAFFIC SIGNAL PLANS

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(DESIGN ORGANIZATION)

STATE OF LOUISIANA
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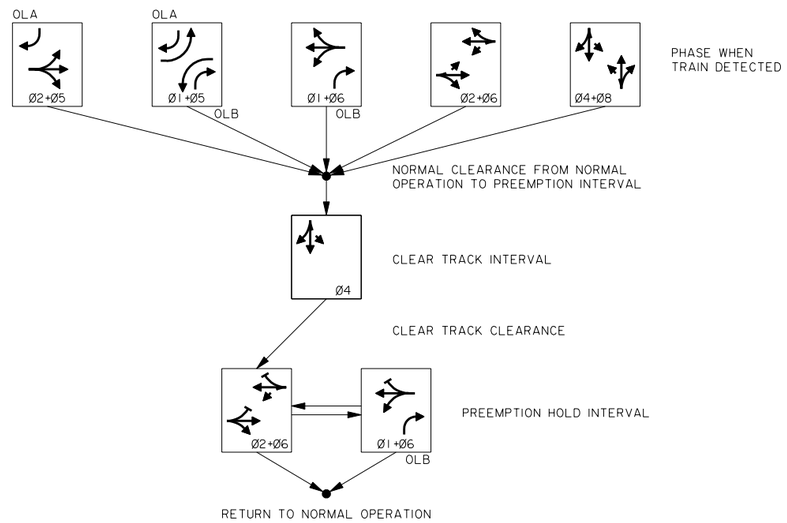
FIGURE 3B-5

PATH/PROJECT NUMBER

FEDERAL PROJECT Nº	STATE PROJECT Nº	PARISH	SHEET Nº
XXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	6

RAILROAD PREEMPTION SEQUENCE



RAILROAD PREEMPTION TIMING PARAMETERS

TRAFFIC SIGNAL EQUIPMENT DELAY ..... ____ SEC

TIME TO END CONFLICTING PHASE
- YELLOW CHANGE ..... ____ SEC
- RED CHANGE ..... ____ SEC

CLEAR TRACK INTERVALS
- TRACK CLEARANCE ..... ____ SEC
- SEPARATION TIME ..... ____ SEC

TOTAL TRAFFIC SIGNAL MAX. PREEMPTION TIME ..... ____ SEC

EXAMPLE

RAILROAD PREEMPTION SIGNAL SEQUENCE CHART

CLEAR TO RR PREEMPTION

FACE	Ø2+Ø5			Ø1+Ø5			Ø1+Ø6			Ø2+Ø6			Ø4+Ø8		
	R/W	CLEAR TO Ø4		R/W	CLEAR TO Ø4		R/W	CLEAR TO Ø4		R/W	CLEAR TO Ø4		R/W	CLEAR TO Ø4	
1,2	R	R	R	R	R	R	G	Y	R	G	Y	R	R	R	R
3	R	R	R	R/◄-G	R/◄-Y	R	G/◄-G	Y/◄-Y	R	G	Y	R	R	R	R
4	G/◄-G	Y/◄-Y	R	R/◄-G	R/◄-Y	R	R	R	R	G	Y	R	R	R	R
5,6	G	Y	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	G	Y	R	R	R	R
7	R/G-►	R/G-►	R/G-►	R/G-►	R/G-►	R/G-►	R	R	R	R	R	R	G	G	G
8	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	G	G	G
9	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	G	Y	R
10	R	R	R	R/G-►	R/Y-►	R	R/G-►	R/Y-►	R	R	R	R	G	Y	R
N.R.T. SIGN	OFF	ON	ON	OFF	ON	ON	OFF	ON	ON	OFF	ON	ON	OFF	ON	ON
N.L.T. SIGN	OFF	ON	ON	OFF	ON	ON	OFF	ON	ON	OFF	ON	ON	OFF	ON	ON

"N.R.T." - NO RIGHT TURN (R3-1)
"N.L.T." - NO LEFT TURN (R3-2)

TRACK CLEARANCE

FACE	Ø4		
	R/W	CLEAR TO Ø2+Ø6	
1,2	R	R	R
3	R	R	R
4	R	R	R
5,6	R	R	R
7	G/G-►	Y/Y-►	R
8	G	Y	R
9	R	R	R
10	R	R	R
N.R.T. SIGN	ON	ON	ON
N.L.T. SIGN	ON	ON	ON

HOLD INTERVALS

FACE	Ø2+Ø6			Ø1+Ø6		
	R/W	CLEAR TO Ø4+Ø8		R/W	CLEAR TO Ø4+Ø8	
1,2	G	G	G	G	G	G
3	R	R	R	G/◄-G	Y/◄-Y	R
4	R	R	R	R	R	R
5,6	G	Y	R	R	R	R
7	R	R	R	R	R	R
8	R	R	R	R	R	R
9	R	R	R	R	R	R
10	R	R	R	R/G-►	R/Y-►	R
N.R.T. SIGN	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON
N.L.T. SIGN	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON

RELEASE TO NORMAL OPERATION

FACE	Ø2+Ø6			Ø1+Ø6		
	R/W	CLEAR TO Ø1+Ø6		R/W	CLEAR TO Ø2+Ø6	
1,2	G	Y	R	G	Y	R
3	R	R	R	G/◄-G	Y/◄-Y	R
4	R	R	R	R	R	R
5,6	G	Y	R	R	R	R
7	R	R	R	R	R	R
8	R	R	R	R	R	R
9	R	R	R	R	R	R
10	R	R	R	R/G-►	R/Y-►	R
N.R.T. SIGN	ON	OFF	OFF	ON	OFF	OFF
N.L.T. SIGN	ON	OFF	OFF	ON	OFF	OFF

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FIGURE 3B-6

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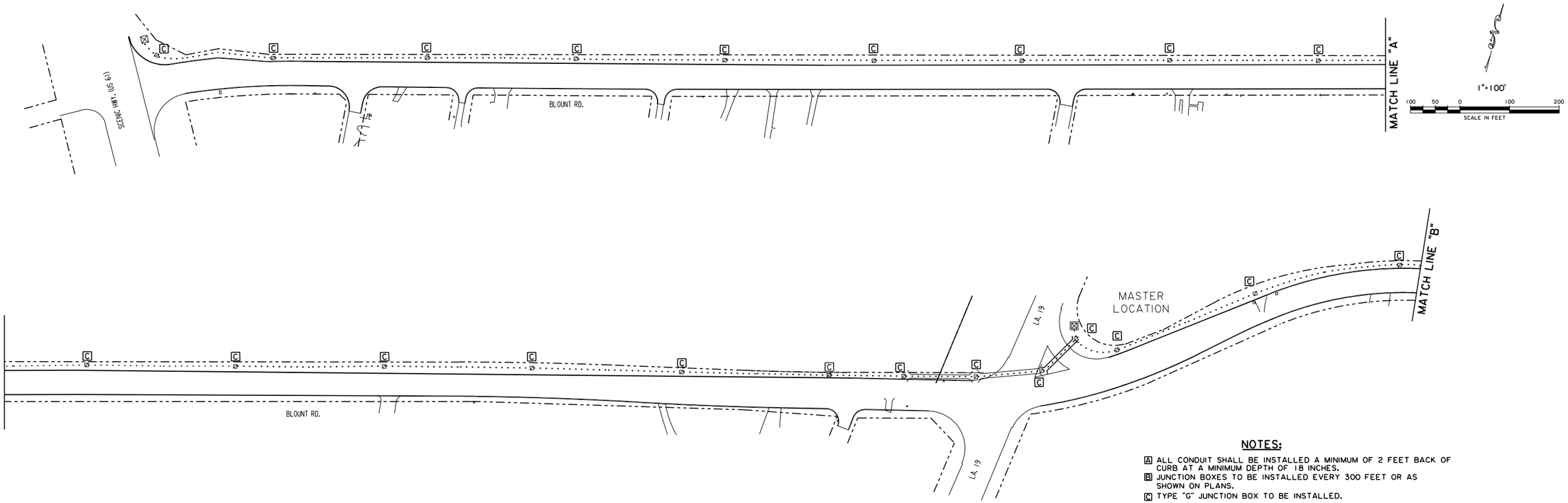
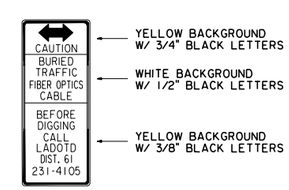
STATE PROJECT Nº	PARISH	SHEET Nº
XXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXX	7



NOTES:

- [A] ALL CONDUIT SHALL BE INSTALLED A MINIMUM OF 2 FEET BACK OF CURB AT A MINIMUM DEPTH OF 18 INCHES.
- [B] JUNCTION BOXES TO BE INSTALLED EVERY 300 FEET OR AS SHOWN ON PLANS.
- [C] TYPE "G" JUNCTION BOX TO BE INSTALLED.
- [D] NEW MULTI (24 FIBER) / SINGLE (12 FIBER) MODE FIBER OPTICS, 36 COUNT CABLE IN 2 INCH PEC CONDUIT TO BE INSTALLED FROM THE SIGNAL CONTROLLER AT SCENIC HWY. (US 61) TO THE SIGNAL CONTROLLER AT LA. 19. ALL FIBER OPTICS INTERCONNECT CONDUIT SHALL HAVE A TRACER WIRE INSTALLED.
- [E] 2 INCH PEC CONDUIT (ONLY) TO BE INSTALLED FROM LA. 19 TO ELM GROVE GARDEN DRIVE.
- [F] SIGNS WARNING OF THE LOCATION OF THE UNDERGROUND INTERCONNECT LINE SHALL BE LOCATED ALONG THE INTERCONNECT LINE WITH A MAXIMUM SPACING OF 300 FEET.

EXAMPLE



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4" x 12"
TO BE LOCATED ALONG FIBER OPTICS UNDERGROUND LINE W/MAX. SPACING OF 300 FT. MOUNTED ON 5 FT. U-CHANNEL POST.

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LEGEND

PROPOSED

- RIGHT OF WAY
- PAVEMENT
- JUNCTION BOX
- TRAFFIC SIGNAL CONTROLLER
- MASTER TRAFFIC SIGNAL CONTROLLER
- TRENCHED 2" CONDUIT
- JACKED OR BORED 2" CONDUIT

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FIBER OPTIC INTERCONNECT LAYOUT

TRAFFIC SIGNAL PLANS

PROJECT TITLE
CORRIDOR NAME

(DESIGN ORGANIZATION)

STATE OF LOUISIANA
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND DEVELOPMENT

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FIGURE 3B-7

CHAPTER 4

TRAFFIC SIGNAL INVENTORY (TSI) FORMS

A. GENERAL

Traffic Signal Inventory (TSI) forms are a set of 8 ½" x 11" forms that summarize the critical information concerning installation, operation and timing of a traffic signal. Copies of these forms are normally kept in the signal controller cabinet as well as in the District Traffic Operations Office, and in the Traffic Services Section of LA DOTD.

1.0 When Required – Traffic Signal Inventory (TSI) forms are to be prepared and submitted when any of the following occurs:

- **Permit Work –** Any time work around a signalized intersection modifies the signal, its operation or the intersection geometry, a new TSI is required.

- **New Signal Design –** Any time a new signal installation is designed a TSI is required. When the new signal installation involves construction or signal plans, the TSI shall accompany the set of final plans.

- **Signal Modifications –** Any time an existing signal is modified a TSI is required. When the signal modification involves construction or signal plans, the TSI shall accompany the set of final plans.

2.0 Preparation Format – Traffic Signal Inventory (TSI) forms are to be prepared using the standard LA DOTD "Excel" TSI spread sheets. The intersection drawing in the TSI is to be done in "Microstation".

3.0 Submittal Format – Whenever a new set of Traffic Signal Inventory (TSI) forms are prepared, one electronic copy and one paper copy shall be submitted to the State Traffic Engineer.

B. STANDARD FORMS – A complete set of Traffic Signal Inventory (TSI) forms usually consists of the following arranged in the order shown:

- Primary Sequence/Timing Plan Form
- Supplemental Phasing & Timing Form (when applicable)
- Intersection Diagram Form
- Phase Timing Parameters Form
- Emergency Preemption Forms (when applicable)
- Railroad Preemption Forms (when applicable)
- Traffic Count Form
- Modification and Inspection Record Form

Additionally, sheets showing the individual signal controller settings specific to the particular brand of controller used are sometimes attached to the set of standard TSI forms in both the controller cabinet and the Traffic Operation Engineer's office.

The contents of each of the standard TSI forms is discussed below. Although the information in the heading of forms varies from form to form, all forms must list the TSI number.

1.0 Primary Sequence/Timing Plan Form (Figure 4B-1) – This form is always the first sheet in the set of TSI forms and is labeled sheet 1. Its heading contains the basic information identifying the location by intersection name, route number, city and parish. It also identifies the type of signal operation, the installation date, the date of the last revisions, the signal warrants justifying the signal, maintenance responsibility, the controller manufacturer and signal system information (if applicable). The body of the form shows the various signal displays and timing for each signal interval of the primary sequence. Where multiple timing plans are used, such as shown in Figure 4B-1, the signal's timing, phasing, cycle length, force offs, offsets and time of operation are shown for each plan. Additionally the signal display, during flashing operation is also shown and it is indicated whether it is programmed or emergency flash. If programmed flash is used, the hours of flash operations must be specified.

2.0 Supplemental Phasing and Timing Form (Figure 4B-2) – This optional form is used if the signal has more than five (5) timing plans, or phase sequencing is not the same in all timing plans. If used, this is the second sheet in the set of TSI forms and is labeled sheet 1A. This form contains basically the same information as the Primary Sequence/Timing Plan Form.

3.0 Intersection Diagram Form (Figure 4B-3) – This form is labeled sheet 2 in the set of TSI forms. It contains the intersection layout drawing, the sign layout information, the signal face arrangement, and the posted speed limits for all intersection approaches. A graphic scale is provided if the intersection drawing is reduced from a full scale set of plans.

4.0 Phase Timing Parameters Form (Figure 4B-4) – This form lists all the actuated timing parameters and the recall status for each active signal phase. Additionally, the delay and extension timing for the each detector is shown, if these features are used. Directonal arrows depicting the traffic movement are shown under each active phase number and should correspond to the direction of these phases shown on the intersection layout diagram. The Phase Timing Parameter form is usually listed as Page 3 in the set of TSI forms.

5.0 Emergency Preemption Form (Figure 4B-5) – If emergency preemption is used as part of the signal operation, this form must be included in the TSI and is usually labeled as sheet 3A in the set of forms. The flow diagram on this form shows all of the various sequences possible when the signal operation is preempted by the approach of an emergency vehicle.

6.0 Railroad Preemption Form (Figure 4B-6) – If railroad preemption is used as part of the signal operation, this form must be included in the TSI and is usually labeled as sheet 3B in the set of forms. The flow diagram on this form shows all the various sequences possible when the signal operation is preempted by the arrival of a train at the nearby grade crossing.

7.0 Traffic Count/Detector Form (Figure 4B-7) – This form shows the intersections peak hour turning movement traffic counts upon which the traffic signal timing is based. A morning, noon, and afternoon peak hour count are normally shown. In addition, this form also provides information concerning the signal detectors. This information includes the detector number, size, pattern, and phase/movement assignment. This form is usually labeled as sheet 4 in the set of TSI forms.

8.0 Modification and Inspection Record Form (Figure 4B-8) – This form provides a continuous log of all signal modifications, adjustments and inspections for the life signal. It is usually the last sheet (page 5) in the set of TSI forms.

TRAFFIC SIGNAL INVENTORY

LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND DEVELOPMENT/ TRAFFIC SECTION — District 07

TSI NO. 500

SHEET: 1 OF 5

INTERSECTION: Main St. (US 90) @ Minor St.

CITY: Sulphur | **PARISH:** Calcasieu | **INSTALLATION DATE:** 8-5-02

TYPE SIGNAL: Fully Actuated, TBC | **LAST REVISION DATE:**

PHASES	F2 + F5			F2 + F6			F1 + F6			F4 + F8									FL
INTERVALS	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
SIGNAL FACES 1				G	G	G	G	Y	R			R							Y
2				G	G	G	G	Y	R			R							Y
3				G	G	G	←G/G	←Y/Y	R			R							Y
4	←G/G	←G/Y	G	G	Y				R			R							Y
5	G	G	G	G	Y				R			R							Y
6	G	G	G	G	Y				R			R							Y
7	R/G→	R/Y→							R	G	Y	R							R
8									R	G	Y	R							R
9									R	G	Y	R							R
10							R/G→	R/Y→	R	G	Y	R							R
11																			
12																			
13																			
14																			
15																			
16																			

Hours of Flashing Operation: Emergency

TIME	SEC	5.9	5.0	2.3	19.7	5.0	1.2	7.8	5.0	2.1	19.9	5.0	1.1							Offset =
FO	SEC		53			0			14			41								63 sec
YP	SEC																			

PLAN = 1 CYCLE LENGTH = 80 TIMES OF OPERATION = 2200-2400 Hrs., Weekdays, 1000-2000 Hrs. Sunday

TIME	SEC	5.9	5.0	2.3	43.7	5.0	1.2	5.8	5.0	2.1	22.9	5.0	1.1							Offset =
FO	SEC		54			0			12			42								18 sec
YP	SEC																			

PLAN = 3 CYCLE LENGTH = 105 TIMES OF OPERATION = 0630-1000 Hrs., Weekdays, 0900-2000 Hrs. Saturday

TIME	SEC	6.9	5.0	2.3	36.7	5.0	1.2	6.8	5.0	2.1	32.9	5.0	1.1							Offset =
FO	SEC		66			0			13			53								97 sec
YP	SEC																			

PLAN = 4 CYCLE LENGTH = 110 TIMES OF OPERATION = 1000-1500 Hrs. Weekdsays

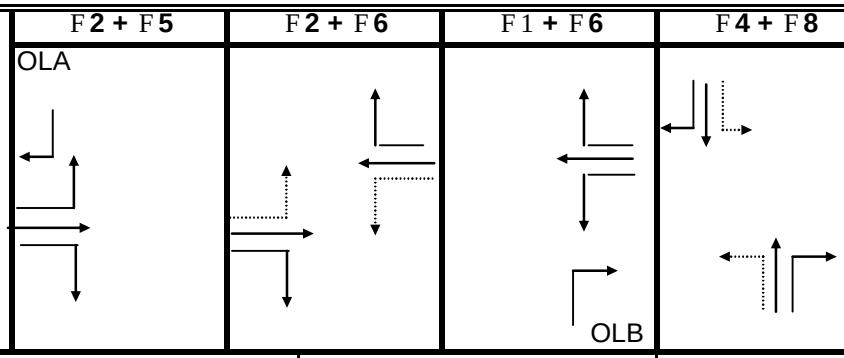
TIME	SEC	5.9	5.0	2.3	43.7	5.0	1.2	7.8	5.0	2.1	25.9	5.0	1.1							Offset =
FO	SEC		59			0			14			47								101 sec
YP	SEC																			

PLAN = 5 CYCLE LENGTH = 110 TIMES OF OPERATION = 1500-1900 Hrs. Weedays

TIME	SEC																			Offset =
FO	SEC																			sec
YP	SEC																			

PLAN = CYCLE LENGTH = TIMES OF OPERATION =

PHASING SEQUENCE



SIGNAL WARRANTS: 1,7	MAINTAINED BY: LA DOTD	CONTROLLER MANUF: Matel	SYSTEM #:
MASTER/ SLAVE: Slave	MASTER AT TSI #: 501	COORDINATED WITH TSI #'S: 501	SYSTEM #:

FIGURE 4B-1

TRAFFIC SIGNAL INVENTORY

LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND DEVELOPMENT/ TRAFFIC SECTION

TSI NO. 500

SHEET: 1A OF 5

SUPPLEMENTAL PHASING & TIMING

PHASES	F1 + F6			F2 + F6			F2 + F5			F4 + F8									FL
INTERVALS	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
SIGNAL FACES 1	G	G	G	G	Y				R			R							Y
2	G	G	G	G	Y				R			R							Y
3	←G/G	←G/Y	G	G	Y				R			R							Y
4				G	G	G	←G/G	←Y/Y	R			R							Y
5				G	G	G	G	Y	R			R							Y
6				G	G	G	G	Y	R			R							Y
7							R/G→	R/Y→	R	G	Y	R							R
8									R	G	Y	R							R
9									R	G	Y	R							R
10	R/G→	R/Y→							R	G	Y	R							R
11																			
12																			
13																			
14																			
15																			
16																			

Hours of Flashing Operation: Emergency

TIME SEC	5.9	5.0	2.1	24.9	5.0	1.2	5.8	5.0	2.3	31.7	5.0	1.1							Offset = 34 sec
FO SEC		63			0			12			51								
YP SEC																			

PLAN = 2 CYCLE LENGTH = 95 TIMES OF OPERATION = 0500-0630,1900-2200,Weekdays,0730-0900,2000-2400 Sat.

TIME SEC																			Offset = sec
FO SEC																			
YP SEC																			

PLAN = CYCLE LENGTH = TIMES OF OPERATION =

TIME SEC																			Offset = sec
FO SEC																			
YP SEC																			

PLAN = CYCLE LENGTH = TIMES OF OPERATION =

TIME SEC																			Offset = sec
FO SEC																			
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TIME SEC																			Offset = sec
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PLAN = CYCLE LENGTH = TIMES OF OPERATION =

PHASING SEQUENCE

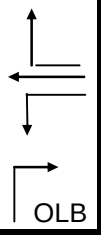
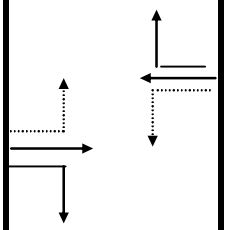
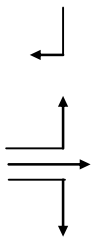
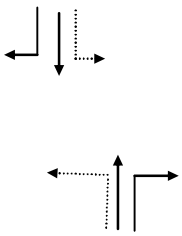
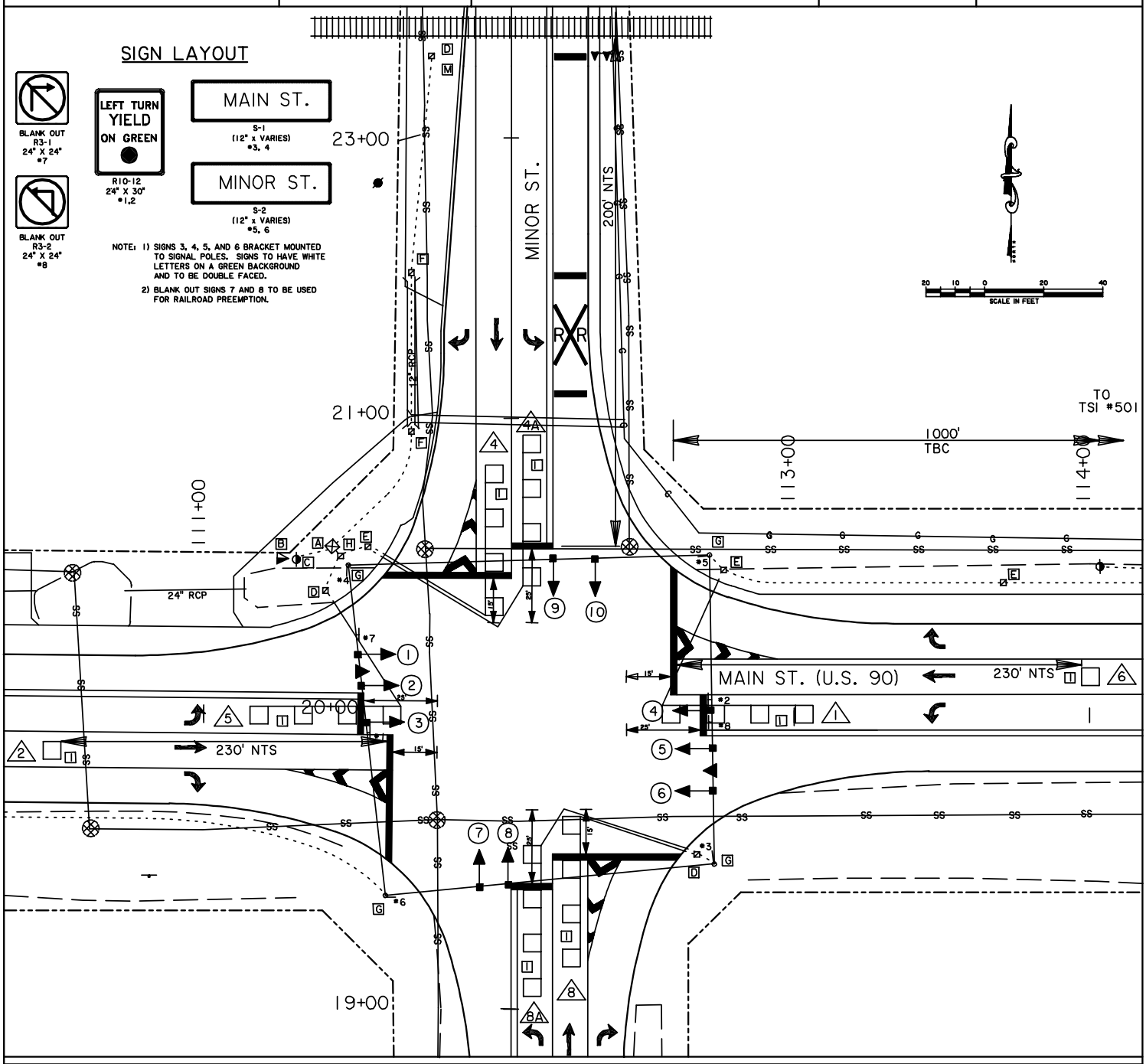
F1 + F6	F2 + F6	F2 + F5	F4 + F8		
 OLB		OLA 			

FIGURE 4B-2

CONTROL SECTION 10	HIGHWAY US 90 (Main St.)	PARISH CALCASIEU	TSI NO. 500	SHEET 2 OF 5



● WOOD POLE	2 SPAN WIRE SIGN & NO.	(2)← PEDESTAL MOUNT SIGNAL & NO.	EXISTING SPEED LIMITS
• METAL POLE	3 GROUND MOUNT SIGN & NO.	(2)← SIGNAL FACE & NO.	US 90 - 50 MPH
SPAN WIRE	3 OVERHEAD SIGN & NO.	2← PEDESTRIAN SIGNAL & NO.	MINOR ST. - 45 MPH
CONTROLLER	#4 LOOP DETECTOR & NO.	PED BUTTON & SIGN	
STOP LINE		PARALLEL PARKING	
PED CROSS WALK			

SIGNAL FACES	1,2,5 6,8,9					3,4	7,10			
TOTALS	6					2	2			
R = RED Y = YELLOW G = GREEN G = GREEN ARROW Y = YELLOW ARROW DK = DARK 8" = 8" DIA. LENS 12" = 12" DIA. LENS WA = WALK DW = DON'T WALK FDW = FLASHING DON'T WALK	R Y G					R ←Y Y ←G G	R Y Y→ G G→			PED

FIGURE 4B-3

TRAFFIC SIGNAL INVENTORY	TSI NO. 500

LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND DEVELOPMENT/ TRAFFIC SECTION — SHEET: 3 OF 5

CONTROL SECTION: 10-01 **HIGHWAY:** US 90 (Main St.) **PARISH:** Calcasieu

Phase Timing Parameters

Phase Designation		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Movement Description		↰	↓	↗	←	↳	↑	↱	→
PARAMETER	RANGE								
MIN GREEN (MIN I)	0 - 99.0	3.0	10.0		6.0	3.0	10.0		6.0
PASSAGE TIME	0 - 9.9	1.5	3.2		1.5	1.5	3.2		1.5
MAX GREEN I (MAX I)	0 - 99.0	8.0	35.0		22.0	7.0	35.0		22.0
MAX GREEN II (MAX II)	0 - 99.0	10.0	99.0		40.0	10.0	99.0		40.0
YELLOW CLEARANCE (YEL)	3 - 9.9	5.0	5.0		5.0	5.0	5.0		5.0
RED CLEARANCE (RED)	0 - 9.9	2.1	1.2		1.1	2.3	1.2		1.1
WALK (WALK)	0 - 99.0								
PED CLEARANCE (P CLR)	0 - 99.0								
ADDED INITIAL GREEN	0 - 9.9		1.0				1.0		
TIME TO REDUCE	0 - 99.0		10.0				10.0		
TIME BEFORE REDUCTION	0 - 99.0		15.0				15.0		
MIN GAP	0 - 9.9		2.5				2.5		
MAX INITIAL GREEN	0 - 99		27.0				27.0		
WALK 2	0 - 99.0								
PED CLEARANCE 2	0 - 99.0								
MAX 3	0 - 99.0								
MAX EXTENSION	0 - 99.0								
RECALL	CODES	MOF	MIN		MOF	MOF	MIN		MOF
LOOP # - DELAY (in sec.)	0 - 99.0	5.0				5.0			
LOOP # - EXTEND (in sec.)	0 - 9.9								

RECALL FUNCTIONS	
MON	MEMORY ON
MOF	MEMORY OFF
MIN	MINIMUM
MAX	MAXIMUM
PMN	PEDESTRIAN AND MINIMUM
PMX	PEDESTRIAN AND MAXIMUM

Note 1: Speed Limits = Main St. (US 90) - 50 MPH, Minor St. - 45 MPH

Note 2:

Note 3:

FIGURE 4B-4

Emergency Preemption Sequence

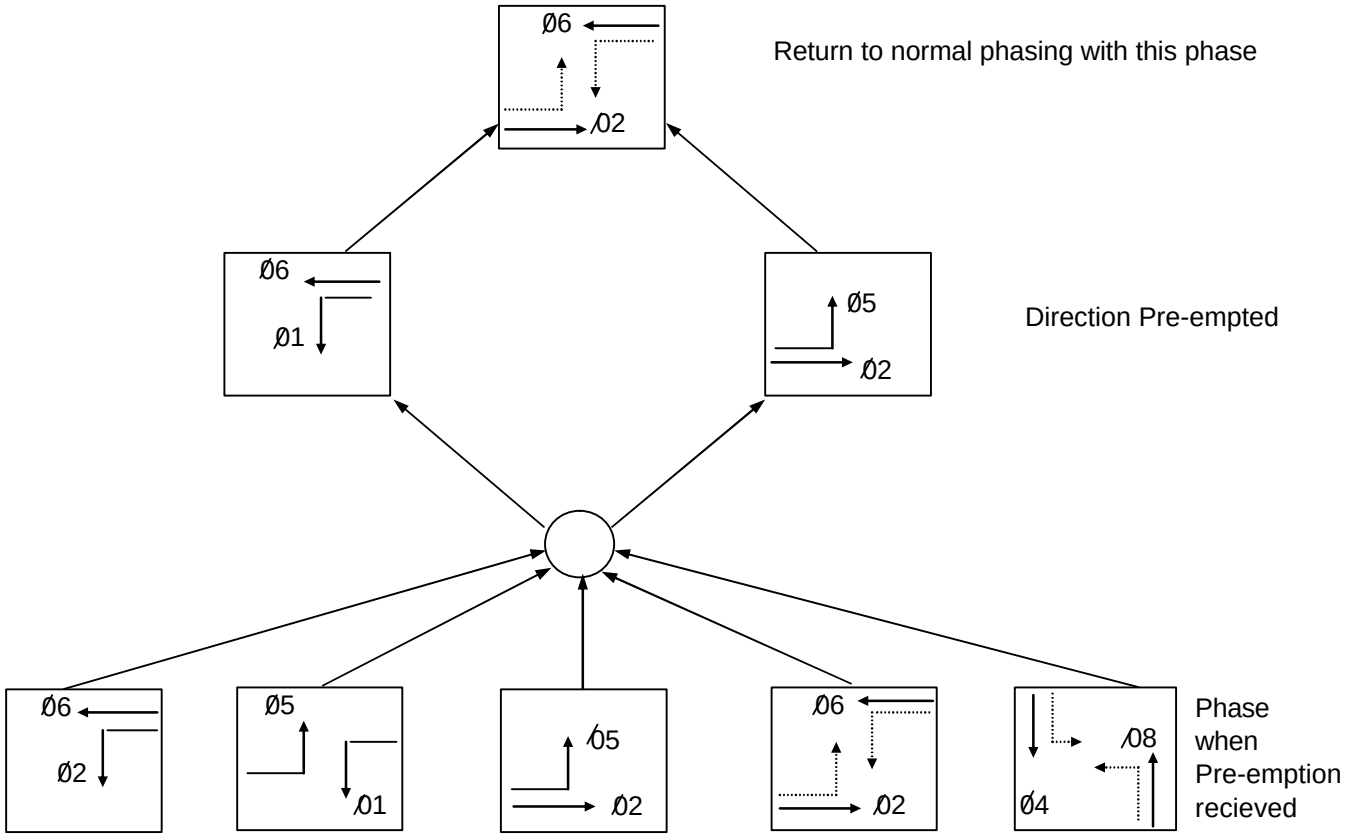


FIGURE 4B-5

Railroad Preemption Sequence

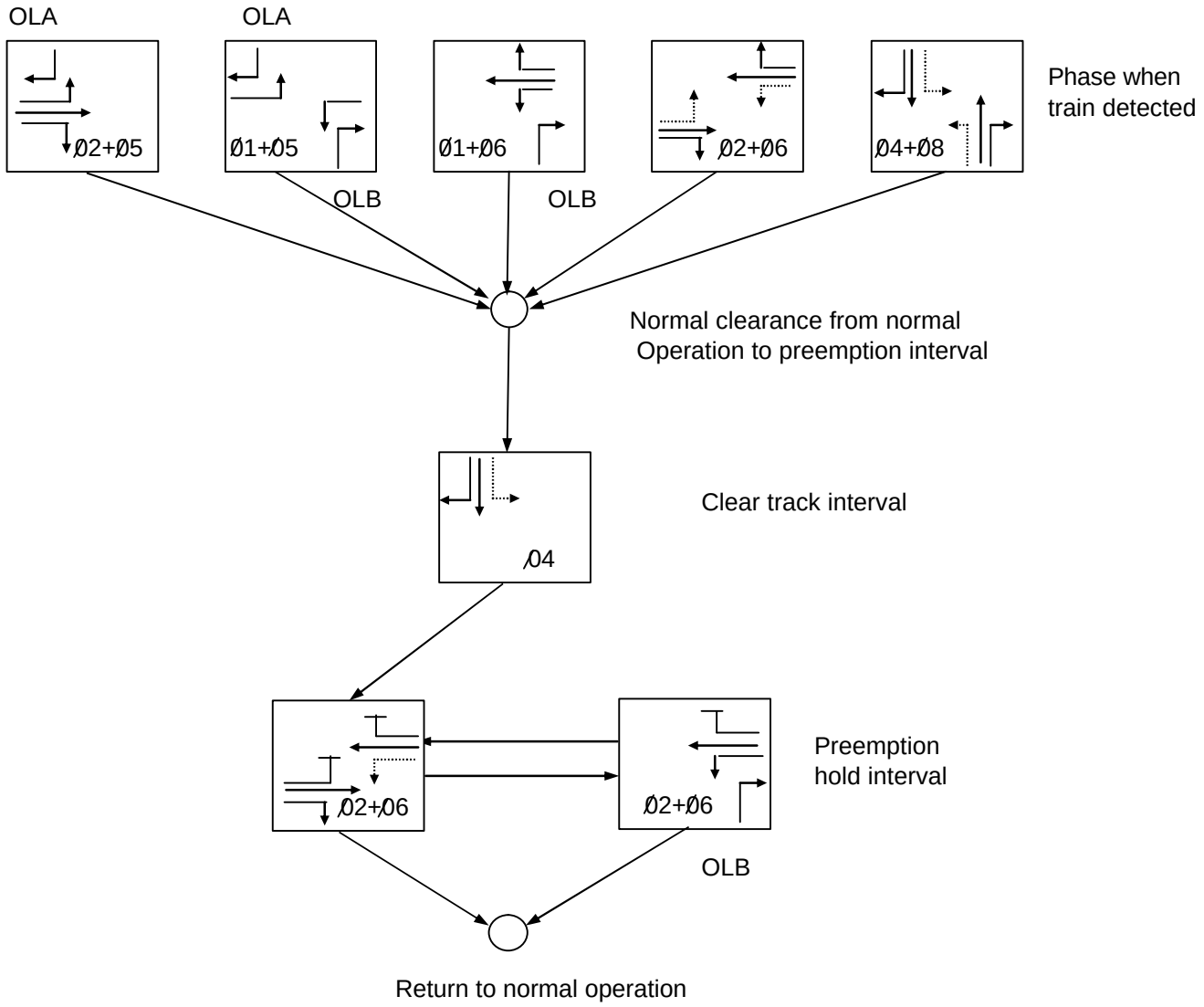
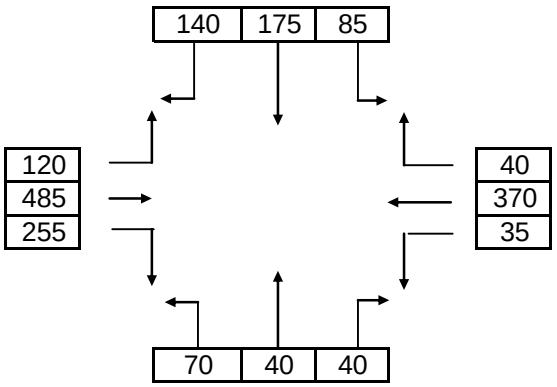
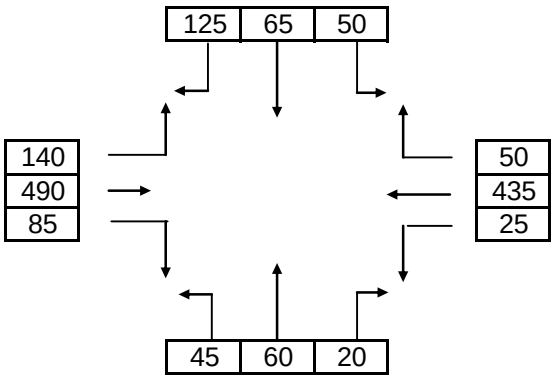


FIGURE 4B-6

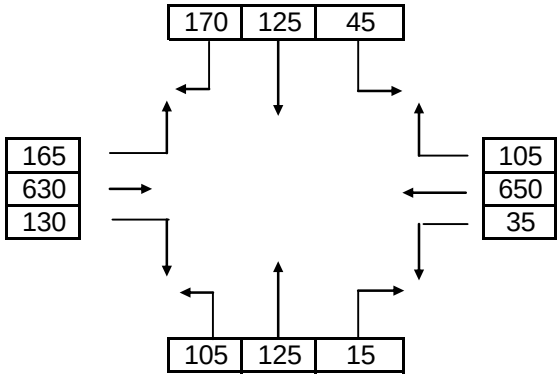
TRAFFIC SIGNAL INVENTORY	TSI NO. 500
LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND DEVELOPMENT/ TRAFFIC SECTION	SHEET: 4 OF 5
CONTROL SECTION: 10-01 **HIGHWAY:** US 90 (Main St.)	**PARISH:** Calcasieu



AM PEAK HOUR: 7:15 - 8:15



MIDDAY PEAK HOUR: 11:45 - 12:45



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SHOW NORTH ARROW

PM PEAK HOUR: 4>00 - 5:00

TRAFFIC VOLUMES - VPH

Peak Hour Factor (0.95)

LOOP #	COUNT & SIZE	PHASE #	MOVEMENT DESCRIPTION
1	4 - 6' x 6'	01	WB LT TURN
2	1 - 6' x 6'	02	EB THRU
4	4 - 6' x 6'	04	SB THRU
4A	4 - 6' x 6'	04	SB THRU
5	1 - 6' x 6'	05	EB LT TURN
6	1- 6' x 6'	06	WB THRU
8	4 - 6' x 6'	08	NB THRU
8A	4- 6' x 6'	08	NB THRU

FIGURE 4B-7

TRAFFIC SIGNAL INVENTORY

TSI NO. **500**

LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND DEVELOPMENT/ TRAFFIC SECTION

SHEET: 5 OF 5

CONTROL SECTION: 10-01 **HIGHWAY:** US 90 (Main St.) **PARISH:** Calcasieu

Modification & Inspection Record

DATE	DESCRIPTION
08/05/02	Signal installed.
08/05/02	Signal Timing and Phasing are as per the signal plans. Signal put on flash operations.
08/07/02	Signal turn on "stop & go" operations.
08/08/02	EB LT turn green increased from 7.0 sec. To 10.0 sec.

FIGURE 4B-8

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