**TO:** CDOT REGIONS, SPECIALTY/PROJECT SUPPORT UNITS, AND PRECAST MANUFACTURERS

**FROM:** Markos Atamo, Manager of Construction Engineering Services

**SUBJECT:** OFFICIAL CANCELLATION OF ALL PREVIOUSLY APPROVED VARIANCES TO THE CDOT STANDARDS AND SPECIFICATIONS RELATED TO PRECAST CONCRETE ELEMENTS

**Precast Concrete Elements**

**Purpose**

This construction bulletin is intended to declare that previous letters or statements granting exceptions or changes to current CDOT Standards, plans, and Specifications for Precast Concrete elements are null and void and shall not be utilized for products supplied to CDOT projects.

**Background and Guidance**

All precast manufacturers who supply products to CDOT are expected to uphold the values and requirements set forth in the current CDOT [M-Standards](https://www.codot.gov/business/designsupport/2019-and-2012-m-standards/2019-m-standards-plans/2019-m-standards-plan-sheets) and [Specifications](https://www.codot.gov/business/designsupport/cdot-construction-specifications/2022-construction-specifications). All items in non-compliance with the current CDOT requirements shall be addressed immediately.

All CDOT qualified precast manufacturers shall also comply with the requirements set forth in the current Colorado Procedure 11-8 for Precast Concrete Structures (CP-11-8) which is located in the [2023 Field Materials Manual](https://www.codot.gov/business/designsupport/materials-and-geotechnical/manuals/2023-field-materials-manual) (FMM). Precast manufacturers’ Quality Control systems and Quality System Manuals (QSMs) are vital to ensure the CDOT minimum requirements for certification, training, testing, etc. are met. CDOT’s approval of the QSM is intended only to indicate that the QSM is in conformance with the minimum QC requirements set forth in CP-11-8. Neither QSM approval nor status on the CDOT Qualified Manufacturers List (QML) should be construed as an endorsement tool for concrete precast products.

Example M-Standards addressed in this memo include, but are not limited to:

M-601s

M-603s

M-604s

M-605s

M-606s

**Questions and links**

Any changes or exceptions to CDOT Standards or Specifications currently must go through a process of approval at the project level and/or CDOT Staff Bridge and must follow the procedure detailed in Section 12.16 of CP-11-8.

Please contact CDOT Pavement Design Engineer, Hailey Goodale, via hailey.goodale@state.co.us, and/or CDOT M Standards Engineer, Josh Keith, via josh.keith@state.co.us with any related questions, concerns, or suggestions.