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DATE: 10/12/2021 (Updated 1/24/2022)
TO: ALL CERTIFIED ENTITIES AND PROCTORS, CURRENT CERTIFIED FLAGGERS, AND INQUIRERS
FROM: CDOT FLAGGER PROGRAM
Benjamin Acimovic, P.E, CDOT Traffic Operations Engineer
SUBJECT: OCTOBER 2021 CDOT FLAGGER PROGRAM UPDATE AND CHANGES

NEW MANAGEMENT and CONTACT STATUS FOR CDOT FLAGGER PROGRAM

As of July 2021, the CDOT Flagger Program is under a new management team as follows:

- Traffic Engineering Oversight: Benjamin Acimovic, P.E., CDOT Traffic Operations Engineer
- Flagger Program Manager: Diane Leitch, Project and Program Manager

All certification or recertification submittals, QA documents, requests, questions, comments, suggestions, and inquiries must be **initially** submitted through the following Flagger Program contact information:

- Email: dot_cdot_flagger@state.co.us
- Phone Number: 1-888-639-3271
- Website: <https://www.codot.gov/safety/traffic-safety/traffic-operations-technology/flagger-program>

CDOT recommends contacting the program through email as it is easier to track and document responses. Entities and proctors may escalate to the Traffic Engineer only after the program team has been contacted and a response issued.

INTERIM PROCEDURES AND PROCESSES:

1. Flagger Certification

- a. CHANGES TO THE FLAGGER PROGRAM: ~~Online flagger certification and/or recertification is NOT allowed at this time.~~ Current Flaggers that were certified through online training within the last two-years can continue to use their flagger certification until it expires, at which time they will need to attend in-person flagger recertification training.
- b. Flagger certification continues as directed on the Flagger Program Website listed above.
- c. Proctors CANNOT certify or train themselves as flaggers.

2. Flagger Certification Entity Certification

- a. **As of October 12th, 2021**, CDOT will not be certifying any new flagger certification entities until Spring 2022. Exceptions will be made on a case-by-case basis evaluated by need, change in contracting, partnerships, personnel, and/or market changes.
- b. All certified Flagger Certification Training Entities must be current with their 2021 annual quality assurance and requirement documentation listed on the Flagger Program website above by 12/31/2021. Any QAs received after this date will **NOT** be considered and certification will be revoked. Any lapsed certifications will only be renewed on a case-by-case basis.
- c. Recertification documents and Annual Quality Assurance documents must be filled out by the entity and **CAN ONLY BE REVIEWED, APPROVED, AND SIGNED** by CDOT Flagger Program personnel.

3. Flagger Proctor Certifications

- a. **As of October 12th, 2021**, CDOT will not be certifying any new individual flagger proctors unless they work directly for a currently certified Flagger Training Entity.
- ~~b. All proctors must meet one of the five requirements listed on the Flagger Program Website and keep their certification current.~~
- c. Proctors **CANNOT** be trained, certified, or re-certified by their own training certification entities.