

## **BRIDGE DESIGN STANDARD PRACTICES**

The following standard practices were established by the Department.

### 1. **The Use of the Metric System**

The Metric Conversion Guide for Bridges and Structures dated April 1995 should no longer be used. As issued in 1995 it was intended only as an interim publication until the Metric version of the Bridge Design Manual was available. The appropriate reference for use in designing and detailing metric projects is ASTM E 380-93, Standard Practice for Use of the International System of Units (SI).

The Preparation of bridge plans shall be in conformance with the criteria set forth in the Department's Bridge Design Manual, 1997 Edition (Metric) and the CADD/Graphics/GIS Standards Manual.