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Focus on Maintenance Recommendations

Results from recent quality assurance inspections have shown some deficiencies in the maintenance recommendations section. In some cases, multiple recommendations were missed in the original inspections. Most of the missing items were operational in nature (hazard markers, approach rail, remove beaver dam, trim old piles...) or life extension related (seal deck, repair curb spall, add riprap...), with no immediate impact on safety.

However, the Department would like to re-emphasize the importance of this component of the BIM system. Thorough and timely maintenance will enhance operations and preserve structural integrity to ensure optimal future expenditures on bridges. Details on the maintenance recommendation component can be found in Chapter 11 of Version 3.1 of the BIM Inspection Manual.

If you have any questions on this matter, please contact the Bridge Preservation Specialist (Byron Chelak, 780-415-1032).

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