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Good Afternoon,

The Traffic Operations Division team is currently working on updating [TE-348 - Traffic Signal Controller Actuated Warning Beacons](#) to better align with current standards and intended uses of these devices. Monitoring through Conflict Management Units and Malfunction Management Units may not be feasible in some circumstances, and placing a signal into flashing operation when a CAB malfunctions may not be the preferred mode of operation. Therefore, I am providing temporary relief to meeting TE-348 until an updated revision is completed, with the exception of the criteria for use noted below:

- Posted speed limit of 45 mph or greater exists.
- Drivers do not have a continuous view of at least 2 signal faces for the distance specified in the table “Minimum Sight Distance” found in Part 4 of the MUTCD.
- Other countermeasures have been used at the location in question without remedy of the crash concern.

TOD looks forward to working with a statewide team as TE-348 is updated. Please reach out to [Matthew Bonacci](#) with any questions.

Sincerely,

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