

PUBLIC NOTICE

Title II [28 CFR §35.150(d)] of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 requires public entities that employ more than 50 people to adopt a transition plan and to evaluate their compliance with the legislation. The State of South Dakota Department of Transportation (SDDOT) has reviewed and continues to review the accessibility of its facilities, programs, services, and activities by persons with disabilities with respect to the public right-of-way.

The SDDOT is soliciting public comment on an update to its Self-Evaluation Narrative and Transition Plan for the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). The department is implementing the improvements to the public right-of-way in phases. The first phase is devoted to achieving compliant curb ramps and pedestrian push buttons within the SDDOT's public right-of-way. The scope of the listed projects is limited to installing curb ramps where there are no ramps, improving accessibility of existing curb ramps, and ensuring pedestrians push buttons are accessible. The SDDOT will subsequently update its ADA Transition Plan to address the remaining pedestrian facilities such as walkways, obstructions or barriers in the pedestrian access routes, and other potential barriers to people with disabilities along pedestrian access routes in the SDDOT's public right-of-way.

A copy of the ADA Transition Plan update and list of project priorities is included in this mailing or may be reviewed at www.sddot.com/ada.asp. The SDDOT will provide its Transition Plan in an alternate format if necessary to accommodate a disability. Please review it in its entirety before commenting. Comments should be submitted no later than August 10, 2009. Please send comments and recommendations to Darin P. Bergquist, Secretary of the Department of Transportation:

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