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Mr. Mark Kehrli  
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Dear Mr. Kehrli:

The Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) requests interim approval for the optional use of three-section flashing yellow arrow signal faces for non-state highways for all jurisdictions within Washington State. All jurisdictions choosing to use the three-section flashing yellow arrow signal faces will do so under the following conditions stipulated in the letter (Reference: HAD-WA/WAP1522) to WSDOT Secretary Lynn Petersen (Attention: Kathleen Davis), dated August 15, 2014:

1. Comply with the technical conditions detailed in the letter.
2. Maintain an inventory list of all locations where three-section flashing yellow arrow signal faces are installed.
3. Comply with Item D in Paragraph 18 of Section 1A.10 in the 2009 Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (with Revisions 1 and 2 Incorporated):
  - Restore the site(s) of the interim approval to a condition that complies with the provisions in this Manual within 3 months following the issuance of a final rule on this traffic control device; and
  - Terminate use of the device or application installed under the interim approval at any time that it determines significant safety concerns are directly or indirectly attributable to the device or application. The FHWA's Office of Transportation Operations has the right to terminate the interim approval at any time if there is an indication of safety concerns.

Thank you for considering this request and please let me know if you have any questions. I can be reached at (360) 705-6907.

Sincerely,

Matthew T. Enders, P.E.  
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cc: Don Petersen, FHWA – Washington State Division Office  
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