MEMORANDUM

TO: All Users of the DelDOT Pedestrian Accessibility Standards Manual

FROM: Don Weber, Deputy Director, Operations and Support
       Tom Nickel, ADA Title II Coordinator

DATE: January 24, 2022

SUBJECT: Temporary Interruptions to Pedestrian Facilities Due to Maintenance and Repairs

Public entities are required to maintain pedestrian facilities and equipment that are readily accessible and usable by persons with disabilities; however, 28 CFR 35.133 (b) does not prohibit isolated or temporary interruptions in service or access for maintenance and repair functions. This memo has been developed to establish the Department’s methods and approach for temporary service interruptions to pedestrian facilities and equipment.

Temporary service interruptions can be either planned or unplanned interruptions. The Department will, to the extent feasible, perform all maintenance work in a manner that is planned and provides adequate temporary pedestrian facilities that match the existing detectability and accessibility features as that of the existing pedestrian access route to the maximum extent feasible. Unplanned activities should be rare and reserved to unforeseen emergency work that must be performed immediately to ensure the safety of the traveling public. Work required to restore accessibility in the pedestrian network will be performed as quickly as possible following the immediate actions necessary to ensure the safety of the traveling public.

All questions in regard to the contents of this memo and its application should be directed to the Department’s Title II Coordinator at DOT.ADASupport@delaware.gov.