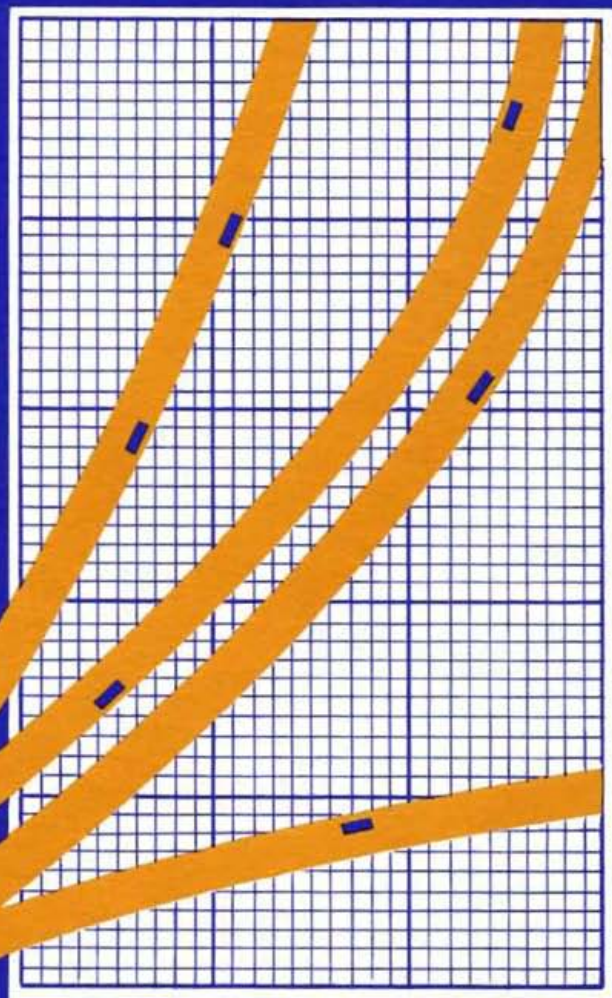


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STATE OF DELAWARE**

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To: N. Maxson Terry, Chairman,  
State Highway Department

From: Ernest A. Davidson,  
Director of Operations



The year 1964 was busy for the State Highway Department and, based upon the validity of history, this activity should generate even greater responsibilities for 1965. We have attempted to describe the scope of the Department's work in a non-technical section of this Annual Report so that a larger segment of our citizens would find greater interest in the highway story. A statistical section is included for permanent record. I am especially pleased to offer this report to you because it demonstrates the accomplishments of the Department and affords the opportunity to publicly express my deep appreciation to the people who made it possible.

To: His Excellency Elbert N. Carvel,  
Governor of Delaware

From: N. Maxson Terry, Chairman,  
State Highway Department



Few functions of government are more vital to the safety, well being and comfort of Delawareans than the maintenance and construction of a modern road system. This Annual Report describes the work of the State Highway Department for the year 1964. The commissioners and I hope that after you have had the opportunity of reviewing this record, you will approve of the program and give your fullest support to our future plans.

**LEMUEL H. HICKMAN, Vice-Chairman**  
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Contract Administration  
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**AUBREY B. LANK**

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Finance (Chairman)  
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Personnel  
Police  
Freeway and Toll Roads  
Contract Administration  
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**FRANK H. MACKIE, JR.**

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Contract Administration (Chairman)  
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**ALBERT S. MOOR**

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Mosquito Control (Chairman)  
Police  
Finance  
Safety  
Freeway and Toll Roads  
Contract Administration  
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