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**New Mexico  
Department of  
Transportation**

**SUBJECT:** Infrastructure Design Directive  
IDD-2008-04  
(Alternative Pavement Designs)

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**TO:** NMDOT & Consultant Design Community  
Associated Contractors of New Mexico

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Effective with the NMDOT August 2008 Project Letting, all project designs will incorporate an alternative pavement design that includes as a minimum an Asphalt Pavement Section as well as a Portland Cement Concrete Section.

Only projects that fall under the following scope of work will be subject to this requirement:

1. New Construction Projects
2. Reconstruction Projects
3. Urban Interchange Projects
4. Urban Intersection Projects

Projects falling under work scopes like Pavement Rehabilitation or 3-R, Pavement Preservation and other miscellaneous projects will not be subject to this requirement.

Any deviation to this Design Directive will require justification via the NMDOT's Design Variance Procedure.

In addition, project development teams are also encouraged to consider other alternative bidding strategies that may have cost effective results.

I appreciate everyone's support in carrying out this important agency initiative.

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