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# Aashto Roadway Lighting Design Guide

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Report 672:  
Roundabouts:

<p>An Informational Guide - Second Edition explores the planning, design, construction, maintenance, and operation of roundabouts. The report also addresses issues that may be useful in helping to explain the trade-offs associated with roundabouts. This report updates the U.S. Federal Highway Administration's Roundabouts: An Informational</p>	<p>Guide, based on experience gained in the United States since that guide was published in 2000. <i>An Information Guide for Roadway Lighting</i> AASHTO VDOT and other highway agencies have explored lighting changes in the past. Many state departments of transportation are searching for ways to be more energy efficient while maintaining a transportation system that is safe,</p>	<p>facilitates movement of people and goods, and improves the overall quality of life of citizens. Local budget shortfalls, overall economic downturns, upward trends in energy costs and increasing concern for the environmental impact of highway operations are driving state departments of transportation and similar agencies to reconsider current practices in</p>
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roadway lighting. Such changes have been considered before, typically during difficult economic times or times when the cost of energy has risen unexpectedly, starting with the Oil Embargo of 1973-74. In fact, VDOT has explored the issue from conservation, safety, and risk assessment angles ... The purpose of roadway lighting is to provide improved safety,

security, and aesthetics for the various users of the roadways and associated facilities (including bridge and tunnel lighting, sign lighting, roadway delineation and even parking facilities). AASHTO's Roadway Lighting Design Guide, (October 2005, p. 7) cites National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) crash data as showing that "90 percent of fatal and

injury crashes occur the roadway, where lighting guidelines specify that light be placed, are multiple vehicle crashes. The number of overall crashes tapers off substantially after midnight on weekdays and after 4:00 a.m. on weekend. At these late hours, most of the crashes are single vehicle, off-roadway crashes for which lighting may not be likely to help, except

<p>possibly at decision-making points such as ramp gorges, intersections, and merge areas." AASHTO's guide notes that crash rates increase where lighting systems are turned off or where every other luminary is turned off. Dimming or "lighting curfews" may be less likely to result in increased crash rates. Still, in an effort to save money, many agencies periodically consider altering the</p>	<p>way they light roadways. Some options for reducing energy consumption related to roadway lighting include: Solar-powered lighting for overhead highway signs or in other standalone applications; Lighting spaced farther spaced, or the "every-other-luminary" technique; Reducing the overall amount or level of continuous roadway lighting; Replacing traditional</p>	<p>lighting elements with energy efficient elements (namely LED lights); Increased lighting curfews or "incremental dimming" of roadway or sign lights; Using more highly retroreflective of signs or safety markings or experimenting with electroluminescence or photoluminescence; Using sensors or other advanced technologies to automate lighting in a</p>
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more precise way. "During the past decade, several highway agencies have switched off roadway lighting during periods of energy shortages to reduce maintenance and operating costs. However, quite often such lighting was restored when nighttime accidents increased. One fundamental problem with such light reduction techniques was that

lighting was reduced or eliminated during the entire nighttime period, rather than only when traffic volume was low. By providing full lighting during periods when volumes are high and the roadway operated near capacity and providing reduced lighting as the traffic decreases, the potential exists for realizing considerable energy savings while still providing the benefits of

full lighting at key locations (i.e. intersections) and at key times (i.e., high volume) where driver decision-making is the most critical and the greatest visibility is required." (Roadway Lighting Design Guide, October 2005, p. 7). *Urban Bikeway Design Guide, Second Edition* John Wiley & Sons The lighting industry has changed dramatically over the past decade. The

<p>optical system design of legacy high-intensity discharge (HID) luminaires was restricted to the lamp, refractor, and reflector design, which had limits in the distribution of the light, controls, and adaptability. Roadway luminaires have moved beyond this design methodology to include the vast possibilities presented by solid-state lighting (SSL). At present, in the form of</p>	<p>light emitting diodes (LED), SSL uses lower energy, reduces maintenance, improves color, and can be easily dimmed and controlled. The TRB National Cooperative Highway Research Program's NCHRP Research Report 940: Solid-State Roadway Lighting Design Guide: Volume 1: Guidance develops more comprehensive guidelines in American Association of State Highway</p>	<p>Transportation Officials (AASHTO)-standard format for the application of roadway lighting related to the widespread adoption of SSL, and identifies gaps in knowledge where possible future research will enhance these guidelines. Also see this guide's accompanying report, NCHRP Research Report 940: Solid-State Roadway Lighting Design Guide: Volume 2: Research</p>
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Overview.

**Balancing Conservation with Driver Safety**

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This book outlines the underlying principles on which modern road lighting is based, and provides the reader with knowledge of how these principles should be applied in practice. This book offers a completely fresh approach to the subject, reflecting how the technology of road lighting has progressed to keep up with the changes in lamp technology, especially in solid state light sources, and the increasing awareness of energy use and environmental issues. The book is divided into three parts. Part One describes lighting of open roads, with chapters discussing visual performance and comfort (including the effects of mesopic vision and age), and international standards and recommendations for road lighting. Lighting equipment is introduced; specifically lamps and luminaires in terms of their practical properties and features, but also the road surface and its characteristics. A chapter on Lighting Design makes the link between theory and practice, providing the reader with the knowledge needed for effective lighting design, including aspects

relating to sustainability. The final chapter of Part One deals with lighting calculation conventions and measurements. Part Two is devoted to light pollution. The negative consequences of light pollution are described and tactics to restrict light pollution explained. Lighting criteria are defined that can be used by the lighting designer to guarantee installations stay within acceptable

limits. International standards and recommendations on the restriction of light pollution are discussed. Part Three is devoted to tunnel lighting, with chapters discussing visual performance in tunnel environments, lighting criteria, standards and recommendations, and concluding with a chapter on tunnel lighting equipment and design. This book is a valuable resource for

road lighting designers and engineers, students of lighting design and engineering, town planners, traffic engineers, environmental specialists, and lamp and luminaire developers and manufacturers.

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of the Federal Register, containing a codification of documents of general applicability and future effect ... with ancillaries. *Roadway Lighting Design Guide* AASHTO "The Traffic Engineering Handbook is a comprehensive practice-oriented reference that presents the fundamental concepts of traffic engineering, commensurate with the state of the practice"-- *Guide for the Planning,*

*Design, and Operation of Pedestrian Facilities* John Wiley & Sons NACTO's Urban Bikeway Design Guide quickly emerged as the preeminent resource for designing safe, protected bikeways in cities across the United States. It has been completely redesigned with an even more accessible layout. The Guide offers updated graphic profiles for all of its bicycle

facilities, a subsection on bicycle boulevard planning and design, and a survey of materials used for green color in bikeways. The Guide continues to build upon the fast-changing state of the practice at the local level. It responds to and accelerates innovative street design and practice around the nation. *Urban Street Design Guide* Island Press "The increased use of underground

space for transportation systems and the increasing complexity and constraints of constructing and maintaining above ground transportation infrastructure have prompted the need to develop this technical manual. This FHWA manual is intended to be a single-source technical manual providing guidelines for planning, design, construction and rehabilitation

of road tunnels, and encompasses various types of road tunnels"--P. ix. 1985-1999  
AASHTO  
The Global Street Design Guide is a timely resource that sets a global baseline for designing streets and public spaces and redefines the role of streets in a rapidly urbanizing world. The guide will broaden how to measure the success of urban streets to include: access, safety, mobility for all

users, environmental quality, economic benefit, public health, and overall quality of life. The first-ever worldwide standards for designing city streets and prioritizing safety, pedestrians, transit, and sustainable mobility are presented in the guide. Participating experts from global cities have helped to develop the principles that organize the guide. The Global Street Design Guide builds off the

successful tools and tactics defined in NACTO's Urban Street Design Guide and Urban Bikeway Design Guide while addressing a variety of street typologies and design elements found in various contexts around the world.

*Roadside Design Guide*  
Island Press  
"The Street Design Manual is New York City's comprehensive resource on street design guidelines,

policies, and processes. It aggregates a broad range of resources-- from nationally recognized engineering and design guidelines and standards to federal, state, and local laws, rules, and regulations--to provide information on treatments that are allowed and encouraged on New York City streets. The Manual's intended audience is diverse, consisting of design professionals, city agencies

and officials, community groups, and private developers."-- Introduction.  
*A Policy on Geometric Design of Highways and Streets, 2018*  
Transportation Research Board  
The Code of Federal Regulations is the codification of the general and permanent rules published in the Federal Register by the executive departments and agencies of the Federal Government.  
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More than 40,000 people are killed on our highways each year, and millions more are injured. Bad drivers and bad vehicles alone do not account for this carnage.

The highway itself is often a contributing -- even determining -- cause of accidents.

Killer Roads provides comprehensive guidance on the many issues surrounding transportation

facility negligence. It helps you pinpoint essential engineering issues and relevant road defects, assess the quality of maintenance, identify pertinent engineering standards, and understand the liability of all parties.

However, Killer Roads goes beyond describing the legal basis for your courtroom strategy. It also provides helpful, hands-on guidance for

implementing this strategy successfully. Written in straightforward language, Killer Roads demonstrates how highway liability issues impact your approach to jury selection, the opening statement, cross-examination, and expert witness testimony.

**Guidance**

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The NACTO Urban Street Design Guide shows how streets of every size can be reimaged and reoriented

to prioritize safe driving and transit, biking, walking, and public activity. Unlike older, more conservative engineering manuals, this design guide emphasizes the core principle that urban streets are public places and have a larger role to play in communities than solely being conduits for traffic. The well-illustrated guide offers blueprints of street design from multiple perspectives, from the bird's eye view to

granular details. Case studies from around the country clearly show how to implement best practices, as well as provide guidance for customizing design applications to a city's unique needs. Urban Street Design Guide outlines five goals and tenets of world-class street design:

- Streets are public spaces. Streets play a much larger role in the public life of cities and communities than just

thoroughfares for traffic.

- Great streets are great for business. Well-designed streets generate higher revenues for businesses and higher values for homeowners.
- Design for safety. Traffic engineers can and should design streets where people walking, parking, shopping, bicycling, working, and driving can cross paths safely.
- Streets can be changed. Transportation engineers can

<p>work flexibly within the building envelope of a street. Many city streets were created in a different era and need to be reconfigured to meet new needs. • Act now! Implement projects quickly using temporary materials to help inform public decision making. Elaborating on these fundamental principles, the guide offers substantive direction for cities seeking to improve</p>	<p>street design to create more inclusive, multi-modal urban environments. It is an exceptional resource for redesigning streets to serve the needs of 21st century cities, whose residents and visitors demand a variety of transportation options, safer streets, and vibrant community life. <u>Guidelines for Geometric Design of Very Low-volume Local Roads (ADT [less</u></p>	<p><u>Than Or Equal to Symbol]</u> 400) Springer "TRB's National Cooperative Highway Research Program (NCHRP) Report 745: Left-Turn Accommodations at Unsignalized Intersections presents guidance for the selection and design of left-turn accommodations at unsignalized intersections. The report includes 11 case studies of typical situations that illustrate the use of the</p>
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sense of place. Providing clear, basic technical background (accessible to non-engineers), the book focuses especially on planning and policy concerns. It covers the fundamentals of lighting technology; benefits, costs, and possible adverse impacts of lighting enhancements; traditional and innovative approaches; planning and policy documents

and practices; aesthetics and placemaking; and technology trends in lighting design. This book is aimed primarily at practicing transportation planners and engineers, generalist urban planners, safety advocates and researchers, and university students. However, lighting designers and other professionals will also find it useful. It considers how lighting can be coordinated

with other potential improvements to enhance the pedestrian environment for better walkability. [A Guide for Safe and Walkable Places](#) AASHTO Traffic Engineering Handbook, Seventh Edition is a newly revised text that builds upon the reputation as the go-to source of essential traffic



engineering solutions that this book has maintained for the past 70 years. The updated content reflects changes in key industry standards, and shines a spotlight on the needs of all users, the design of context-sensitive roadways, and the development of more sustainable transportation solutions. Additionally, this resource features a new organizational structure that promotes a more functionally-driven, multimodal approach to planning, designing, and implementing transportation solutions. A branch of civil engineering, traffic engineering concerns the safe and efficient movement of people and goods along roadways. Traffic flow, road geometry, sidewalks, crosswalks, cycle facilities, shared lane markings, traffic signs, traffic lights, and more—all of these elements must be considered when designing public and private sector transportation solutions. Explore the fundamental concepts of traffic engineering as they relate to operation, design, and management. Access updated content that reflects changes in key industry-leading resources, such as the Highway Capacity Manual (HCM),

Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD), AASHTO Policy on Geometric Design, Highway Safety Manual (HSM), and Americans with Disabilities Act	sensitive roadways and sustainable transportation solutions	The diverging diamond interchange (also known as a double crossover diamond interchange) is a relatively new design to the United States. This design can increase throughput and safety without widening bridge structures.
Understand the current state of the traffic engineering field Leverage revised information that homes in on the key topics most relevant to traffic engineering in today's world, such as context-	Traffic Engineering Handbook, Seventh Edition is an essential text for public and private sector transportation practitioners, transportation decision makers, public officials, and even upper-level undergraduate and graduate students who are studying transportation engineering.	The TRB National Cooperative Highway Research Program's NCHRP Research Report 959: Diverging Diamond Interchange
	<b>Street Lighting Projects</b> Routledge	

Informational Guide, Second Edition presents a comprehensive guide to the design and operation of diverging diamond interchanges and updates material found in the FHWA's Diverging Diamond

Interchange Informational Guide. A workshop summary is provided that includes an overview of key traffic signal timing concepts at diverging diamond interchanges-- from

terminology to timing considerations and from operational analysis to traffic signal equipment. Videos viewed during the workshop are also provided. **Traffic Engineering Handbook** Island Press