

FHWA is looking for your input into training that local agencies are seeking on retroreflectivity. The intent is to further develop an existing course and reformat it to better address the training needs of the manager and inspector. It will initially be developed in depth for sign retroreflectivity and include the basics of pavement marking retroreflectivity (with details added later to address specific guidance when it is published).

**Please rate the value of each of the following (5 = high need, 1 = low need):**

- A. Self-paced training modules available at any time via internet**
- B. Instructor-led web training modules available periodically**
- C. Instructor-led class room training available based on instructor availability**

The preliminary concept for course would consist of modules so that participants could take only those they needed. Proposed modules for signs are as follows:

- 1) Basic Retroreflectivity Overview (pre-requisite)
- 2) Selecting and Documenting a Method for Your Agency
- 3) Visual Nighttime Inspection Method – Calibration Signs Procedure
- 4) Visual Nighttime Inspection Method – Comparison Panels Procedure
- 5) Visual Nighttime Inspection Method – Consistent Parameters Procedure
- 6) Measured Sign Retroreflectivity Method
- 7) Expected Sign Life Method
- 8) Blanket Replacement Method
- 9) Control Signs Method

The idea behind the modules is that the manager/decision-maker would take the first two modules initially, then:

- if an assessment method is selected, the inspector would take the overview and appropriate module of 3-6
- if an management method is selected, the manager would take the appropriate module of 7-9

Similar modules for pavement markings would be included to the extent practical based on available guidance and updated as more information on methods becomes available.

**Do you have any concerns or suggestions for improving this approach?**

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Thank you!