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Comments

[NOTE: All citations to “Manual” in the comments below are to the Administrative Rules Procedures Manual, prepared by the Revisor of Statutes Bureau and the Legislative Council Staff, dated September 1998.]

5. Clarity, Grammar, Punctuation and Use of Plain Language

One of the elements of the definition of “local bridge” in s. Trans 213.02 (6) is that it be “open to the public.” Does the department intend that only bridges that have not actually been closed to travel because of structural or other deficiencies are eligible for reconstruction or rehabilitation under ch. Trans 213? Alternatively, does this element of the definition only require that the bridge not be a private bridge? Section Trans 213.02 (6) should be clarified to remove this ambiguity.