



# Illinois Department of Transportation

Division of Highways / Bureau of Construction  
2300 South Dirksen Parkway, Springfield, Illinois 62764

**Subject:** **CONSTRUCTION MEMORANDUM NO. 02-7**  
**County and Township**  
**Roads Used as Haul** **Effective:** **April 26, 2002**  
**Roads (Section 107)** **Expires:** **Indefinite**

This memorandum supersedes Construction Memorandum 84-7, effective January 1, 1984.

On certain contracts, such as roadway construction on new alignment or the construction/reconstruction of bridges in rural locations, contractors may require the use local agency roads for haul for the contract work. When the nature of the improvement is such that there will be a predictable concentration of unusually heavy loads which may necessitate repair and maintenance of local agency roads, the designer may designate in the contract one or more local agency roads in the vicinity of the construction contract as haul roads. When this is the case, the District will have entered into a Letter of Understanding with the local agency to establish the financial responsibility of the State for repairing and maintaining haul roads. The types of repairs and maintenance, together with the methods of payment for the work, will be clearly provided for in the contract.

In many cases, however, the designer may not use the above procedure because the nature of the improvement and/or the condition and type of local agency road(s) is such that undue distress is not likely. In the event the contractor damages a local agency road or bridge, he/she will be required to restore such property at his/her own expense, as provided for in Section 107 of the Standard Specifications.

The purpose of this memorandum is to encourage the Districts to invite County Engineers/Superintendents of Highways and Township Commissioners to the preconstruction conference when it is likely that the contractor may have to use local agency roads as haul roads. This will aid the contractor and local agency officials in arriving at some agreeable plan for use of the local agency roads and the division of responsibility for their maintenance.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gary Gould".

Gary Gould  
Engineer of Construction