



# NOTICE

CITY OF SAN DIEGO

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**DATE:** August 12, 2015  
**TO:** Distribution  
**FROM:** Marnell Gibson, Deputy Chief City Engineer  
**SUBJECT:** Removal of the 12-inch Grooved Border on Curb Ramps

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**Effective immediately** the 12-inch grooved border on curb ramps is no longer required.

On July 1, 2015, 2013 California Building Code Section 11B-406.5.11 “Grooved Border” was repealed by the State and removed from the regulations. This change eliminates the previous inconsistency with the 2010 Americans with Disabilities Act Standards for Accessible Design on curb ramps as grooved borders were not federally required.

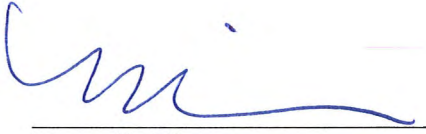
The updated City of San Diego Standard Drawings for Public Works Construction is projected to be released in the final quarter of 2015 and will reflect all updates to the curb ramps and island passageways.

## **Implementation:**

1. **Private Projects Submitted to Development Services:**
  - a. Projects submitted on or after July 1, 2015 shall comply with the change.
  - b. Projects permitted and in construction before August 12, 2015 do not have to comply with the change.
  - c. Projects currently in review and not permitted before August 12, 2015 shall comply with the change.
2. **City Projects:**
  - a. Projects currently in construction shall be allowed to comply with the previous standards.
  - b. Projects with Notice to Proceed issued on or after August 12, 2015 shall comply with the change.

For general questions regarding the information herein, please contact:

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