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Subject: 2021 Oregon Standard Specifications for Construction

Updating the *2018 Oregon Standard Specifications for Construction* to the new *2021 Oregon Standard Specifications for Construction* is now nearly complete. A vendor has been selected to print and sell the new 2021 Standard Specifications book; it is now available for purchase. (2018/2021 Oregon Standard Specifications Books available for purchase at the [Lynx Group, Inc. book sales website](#))

The 2021 Standard Specifications are to be incorporated into all transportation construction contracts procured through the Project Controls Office that have a bid date of December 1, 2020 and later. On a case by case basis, the Chief Engineer may approve an exception when special circumstances exist, typically when a project has previously been prepared and advertised with the 2018 Standard Specifications. Requests for exceptions are to be submitted to the Project Controls Office.

ODOT has received approval from FHWA to use the 2021 Oregon Standard Specifications for Construction.

Please share this memo with anyone developing projects with the Oregon Standard Specification for Construction.