The purpose of this Engineering Directive is to formally issue the 2015 MassDOT Separated Bike Lane Planning and Design Guide for use on MassDOT Highway Division projects.

This guide shall be used by project planners and designers as a resource for considering, evaluating and designing separated bike lanes as part of a complete streets approach for providing safe and comfortable accommodations for all roadway users.

This guide supplements and is consistent with the MassDOT Project Development and Design Guide and other relevant MassDOT, FHWA and AASHTO design guidance. This guide also conforms to the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices, the Massachusetts Architectural Access Board Rules and Regulations (521 CMR), the United States Access Board 2011 Proposed Accessibility Guidelines for Pedestrian Facilities in the Public Right-of-Way (PROWAG), the MBTA Bus Stop Design Guidelines, and the FHWA Separated Bike Lane Planning and Design Guide (May 2015).