• Publishing Survey was completed September 2014 following the Columbus, Ohio Meeting

• 43 States Answered the Survey

• Thank you for the overwhelming response
When Do you Implement LRFD

If you answered yes, when do you implement each new edition of LRFD?

- After SCOBS meeting: 2
- After official publication: 24
- Within a year of publication: 7
- Other: 8
- Other: 19.5%
- Within a year of publication: 17.1%
- After official publication: 58.5%
- After SCOBS meeting: 4.9%
When?

- 41 of 43 States Implement Each Specification
- 24 After Official Publication Released
- 2 States Implement After This Meeting
What Resources Do You Invest With Each Edition?

Does your agency invest resources in the following?

- Commercial software: 46.5%
- Legal review: 4.7%
- Industry implementation based on: 62.8%
- Staff changes to in-house software: 74.4%
- Staff implementation, manual, and: 86.0%
- Staff review for final changed it: 69.8%
- Staff review for ballot items: 90.7%
Resources Used

• Many states referenced large resources used, however few quantified them
• National Consultants shared concerns with their resource usage
• Most expressed changes to software, manuals, and industry
Preferred Publication Frequency

Please provide your preferred frequency for the LRFD published manual.

- Publish interims every year and every other year: 14.3%
- Publish on a case by case basis: 0.0%
- Publish new edition every three years: 23.8%
- Publish interims every two years: 38.1%
- Publish new edition every two years: 11.9%
- Publish interims every year and every other year: 11.9%
- Publish on a case by case basis: 0%
- Other: 6%
What is Your Preferred Frequency?

• Overwhelming Results for Change
• 37 States would like a longer frequency, while 5 would like to remain the same
• 16 states would like 4 year with 2 year interims, while 10 preferred 3 year and no interims
• Others wanted 4 year with no interims
Preferred Interim Format – Surprise!

What is your preference for interim format?

- Replacement pages that allow for ... 88.4%
- Bulletin style that provides the ... 11.6%

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Recommendations

• **Change the frequency of the LRFD Specifications to every four years with two year interims. Ballot items will be developed, discussed and voted upon at the annual meeting.**

• **Change the interim format to replacement pages that allow direct insertion.**
Executive Committee Special Phone Call

- The Executive Committee revised the recommendation to 3 year publication with no interims.
- Straw Poll results during meeting:
  11 Yes 2 (white paper recommendation)
- Executive Committee Email Ballot Vote:
  18 Yes 1 no 2 did not vote
Other SCOBS Publications

- Develop a SCOBS publication schedule roadmap for a number of other major publications. The technical committee chair that owns and maintains the publication will recommend edition and interim publication frequencies. The executive committee meeting will have an on-going agenda item to plan and strategically update the schedule.