Streamlined Curb Ramp Replacements for Pavement Rehabilitation Projects

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Presentation Outline

- The ADA problem
- Design approach options
- Streamlined approach
- Mix in some case studies
- Before and after photos

Background "technical stuff"

- 1990 Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADAAG)
- 2010 Regulations Update
- 2011 PROWAG
- 2013 Joint DOJ/DOT Guidance and FAQ for "Alterations"
- http://www.ada.gov/ta-pubs-pg2.htm

ODOT suit for ADA Compliance

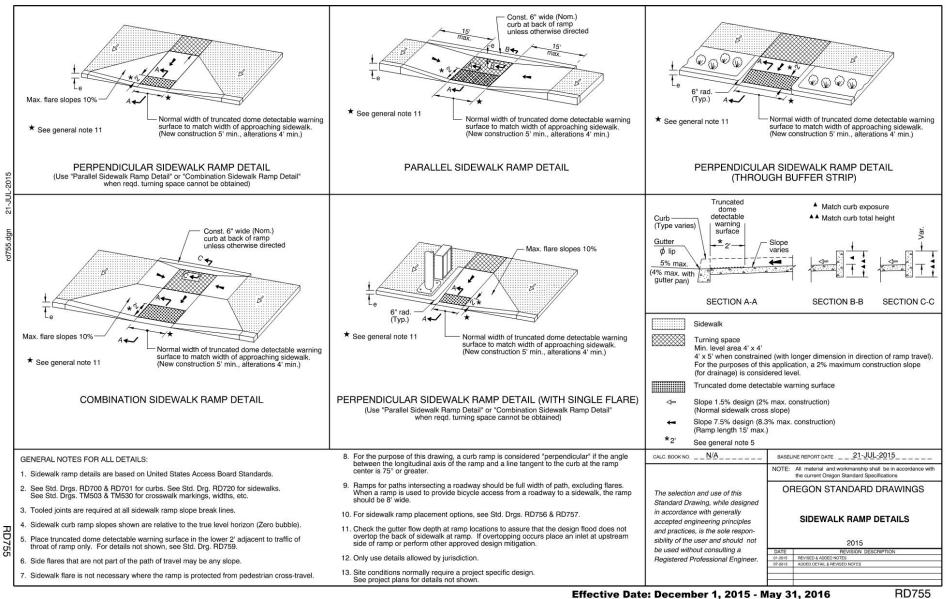
- Detailed Design Requirements
- Design Exceptions
- Construction
 - Field Verification
 - Working Drawings
 - Pre-Placement Meeting
 - ADA Inspection Form
- Permits
- An evolving process...

Effect of including curb ramps with resurfacing projects

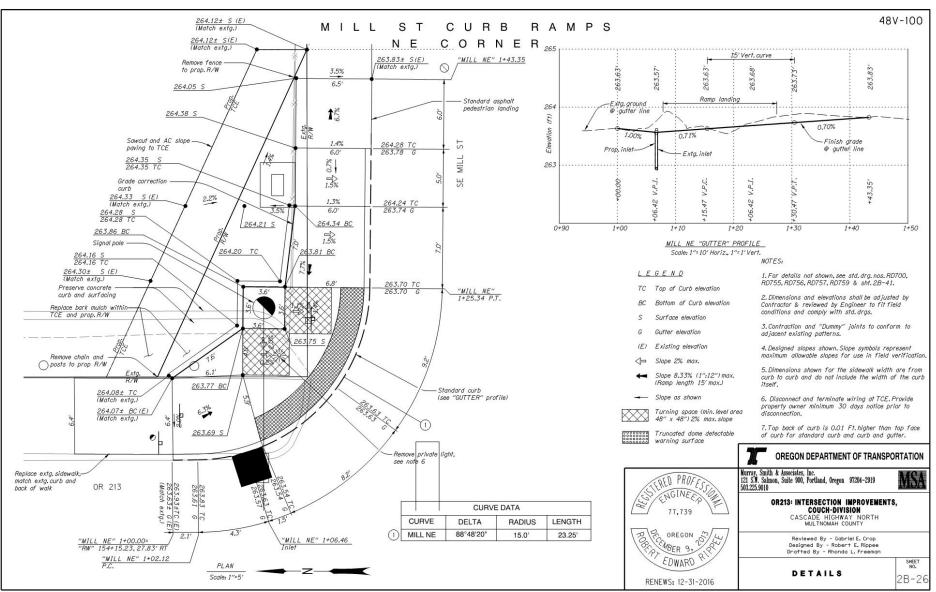
- 10% to 30% increase in construction cost
- Additional:
 - design effort
 - concrete and general contractors
 - inspection/CM
 - headaches



Design Approach – Standard Drawing



Design Approach – Detailed Layout



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Curb ramp design spectrum

Standard Drawing Approach

- Least design cost
- High risk of not meeting ADA
- High risk of unknown impacts and construction change orders

What is the right blend?

Detailed Design Approach

- High design cost
- Relies on precise survey
- Can it be constructed?
- Trap of a "foolproof" design

A Results-oriented Approach

- Targeted field measurements (no survey!)
- Basic detail for quantities and construction layout
- Enhanced construction management

Agencies Using This Approach

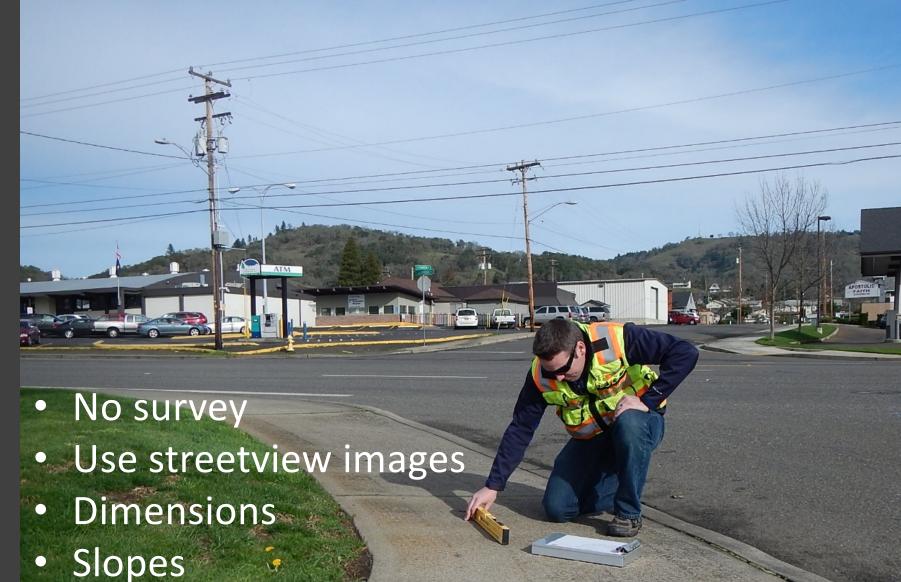
- Tigard, OR
- Lake Oswego, OR
- Oregon City, OR
- Roseburg, OR (sort of)
- Vancouver, WA
- Arlington, WA

Scoping											
Street	From	То	ADT	Heavy Vehicles	Length (ft)	Area (ft²)	Curb Ramp Corners to Reconstruct				
Dartmouth St ¹	99W	Atlanta	8000	250	310	14880	2				
78th Ave [*]	Pfaffle	99W	8000	200	330	13200	3				
72nd Ave	99W	McD's Dwy	10000	400	400	20000	4				
72nd Ave	217 Ramps	Beveland	13000	650	900	32400	10				
Hunziker St	72nd Ave	7585 SW Hunziker	6500	250	1000	36000	3				
72nd Ave	Fir St	Varns Rd	14500	400	500	22000	7				
72nd Ave	City Limits	Upper Boones Ferry	10000	500	2600	104000	10				
Walnut St ²	116th	122nd	9500	200	1300	52000	9				
121st Ave ²	Tippitt	Ann Pl	8000	150	1000	42000	6				
Royalty Pkwy	Naeve	99W	4000	80	1000	34000	6				
Locust St ²	Greenburg	Hall	4000	80	2700	86400	14				
Ventura Ct ³	Barbara	Alfred	800	10	1450	46400	2				
74 ^{th3}	Barbara	Taylors Ferry	700	10	1500	42000	5				
Oak St	69th	71st	600	10	820	21320	0				
Sandburg St ³	72nd Ave	End	2000	60	1500	54000	2				
96th Ave ³	Murdock	Sattler	800	30	900	24300	3				
Kable ³	98th	100th	1200	15	700	23800	4				
109th Ave ³	Highland	Naeve	800	10	300	9600	9				
Oak St	Hall	90th	2000	30	1400	42000	2				
Sub-Total							101				

Desktop Review



Field measurements



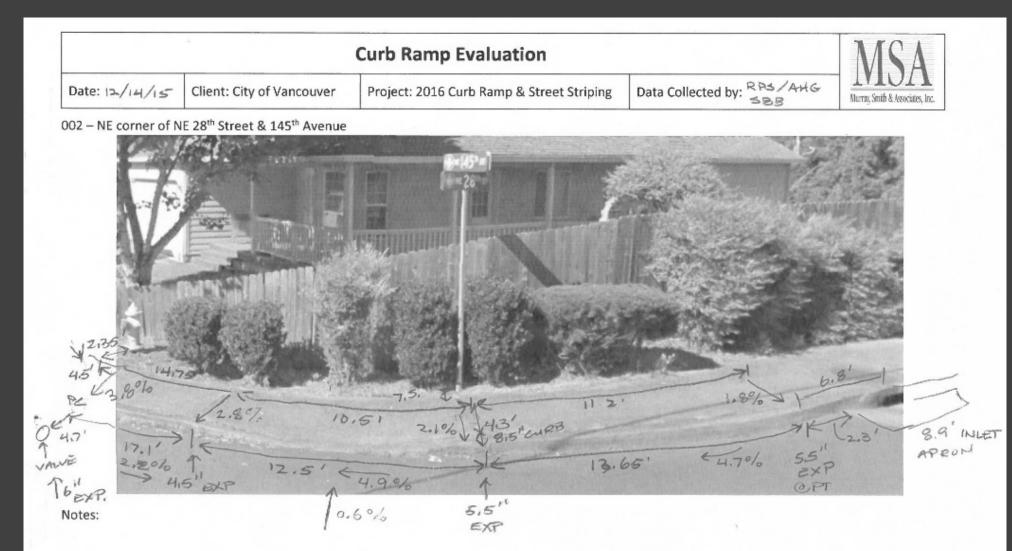
Use available landmarks

Take photos

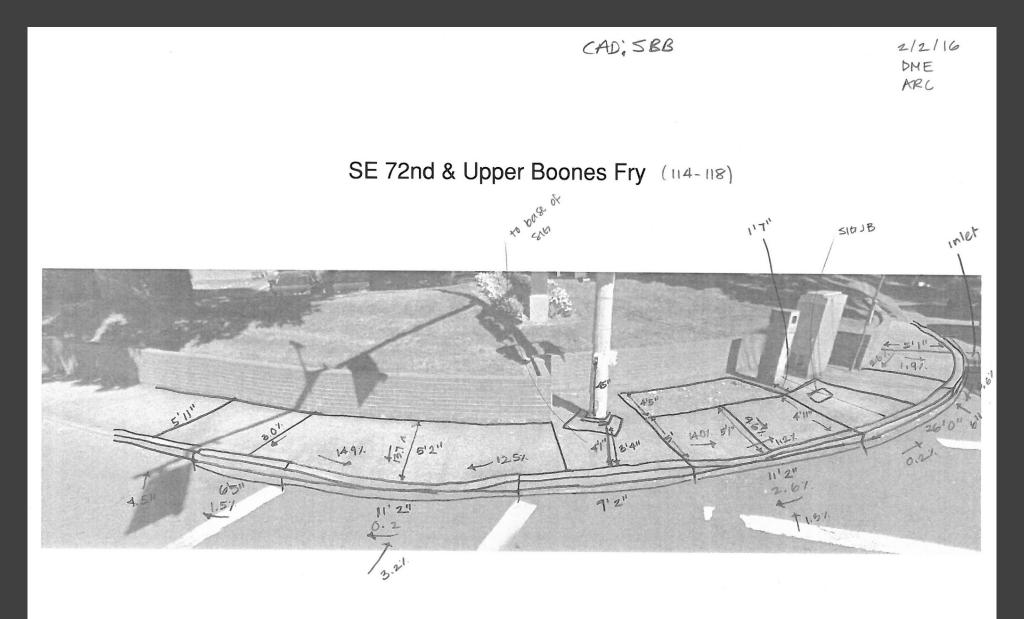
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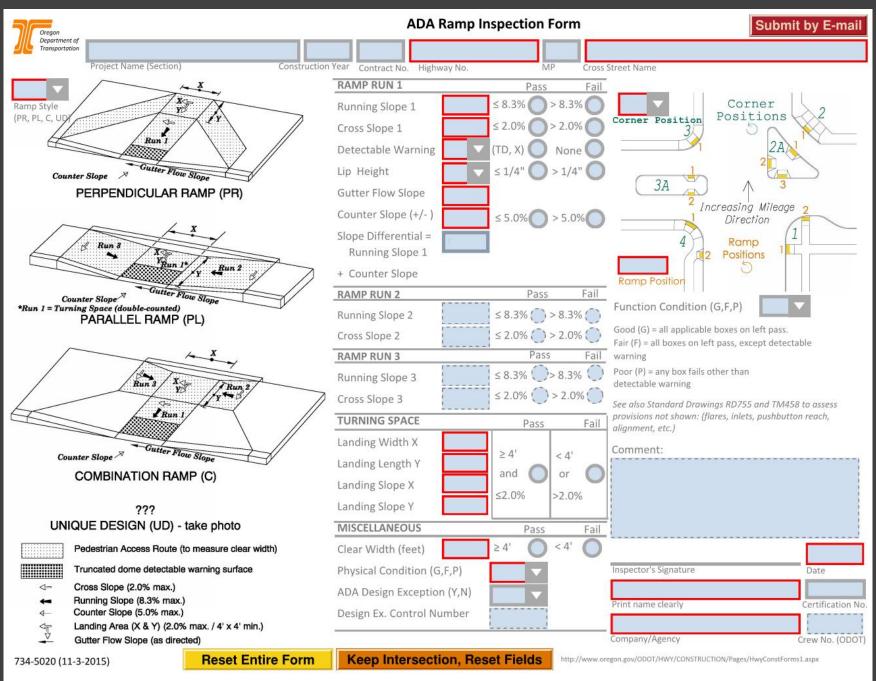
Field sketches - Vancouver



Field sketches - Tigard



If a Ramp Meets ADA, Document it

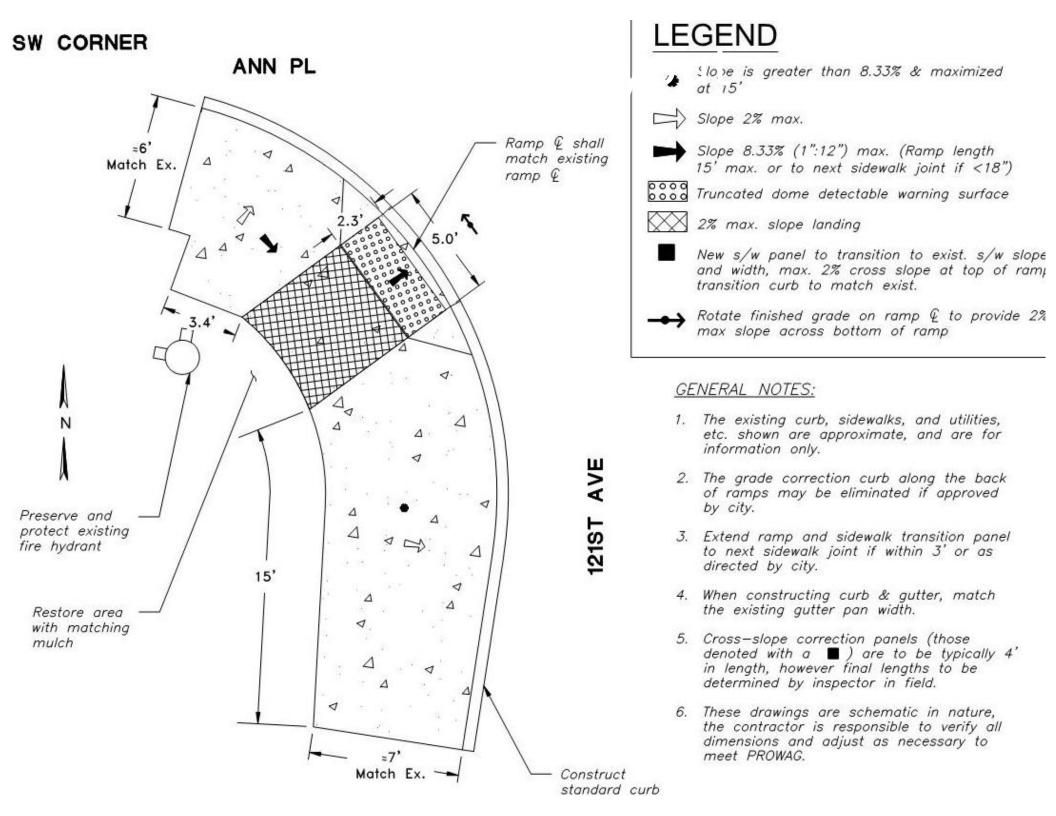


Back at the office

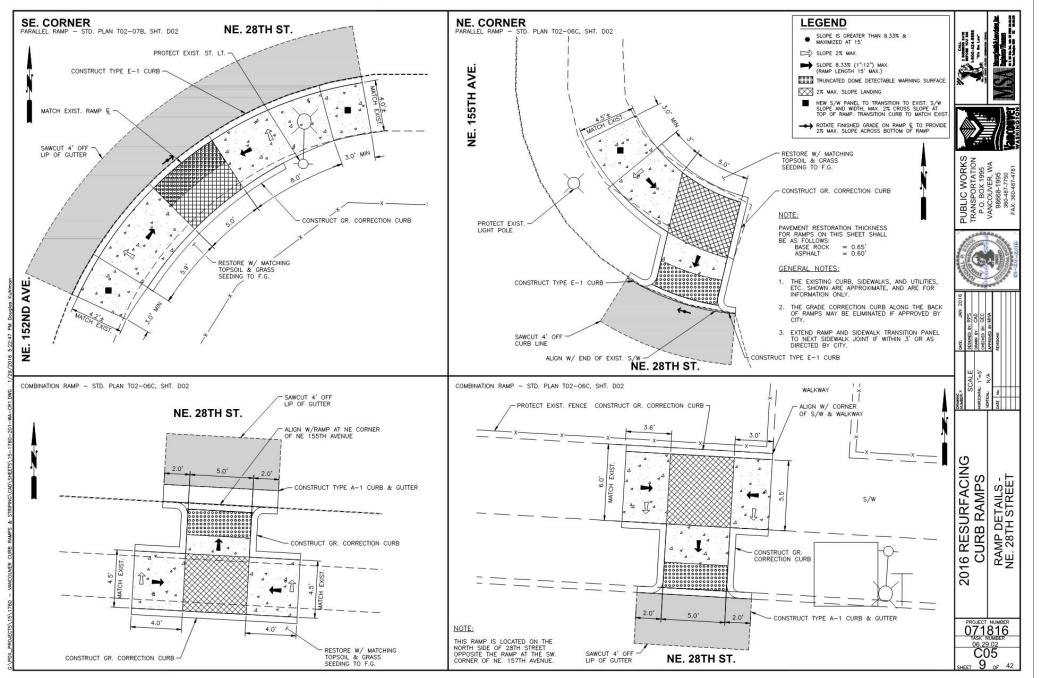
- Verify locations and replacement needs
- Determine if extra survey is needed
- Develop CAD sketch of ramp
 - Use field sketch measurements
 - Utilize Agency GIS or aerial photo as base
 - Add pertinent notes

Design process – key elements

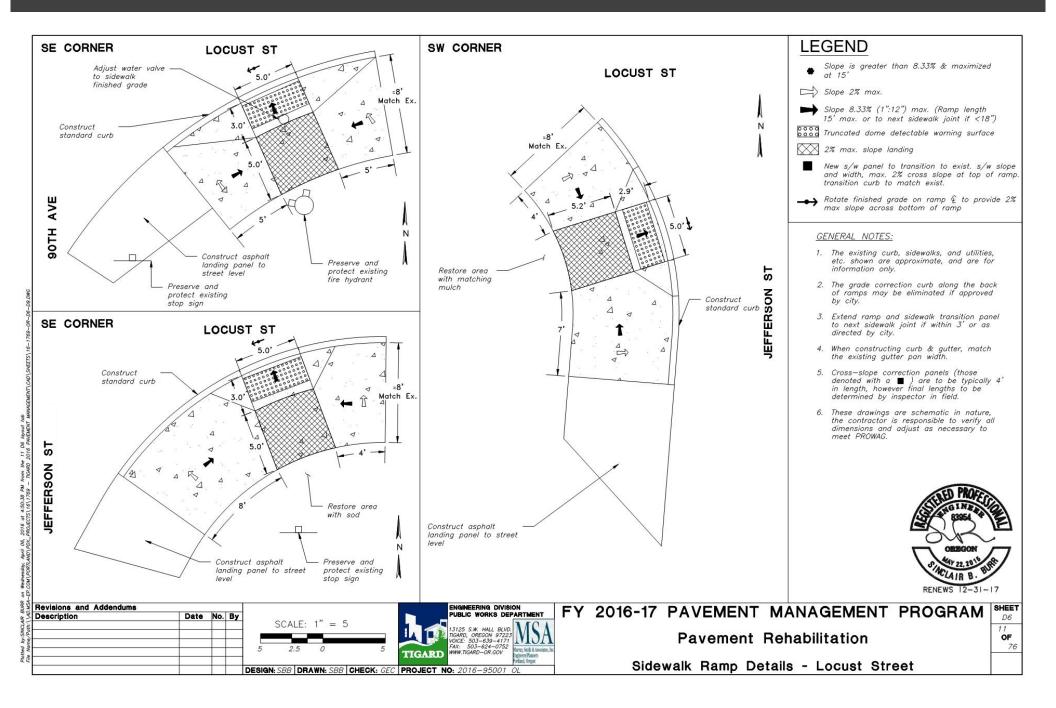
- Design cross slope max to 1.5%
- Design running slope max of 7.5%
- Dimensions
- Slopes
- Stay within existing sidewalk limits
- Reference point for new ramp
- Transition panels
- Grade correction curbs
- Grade and utility adjustments
- Restoration requirements



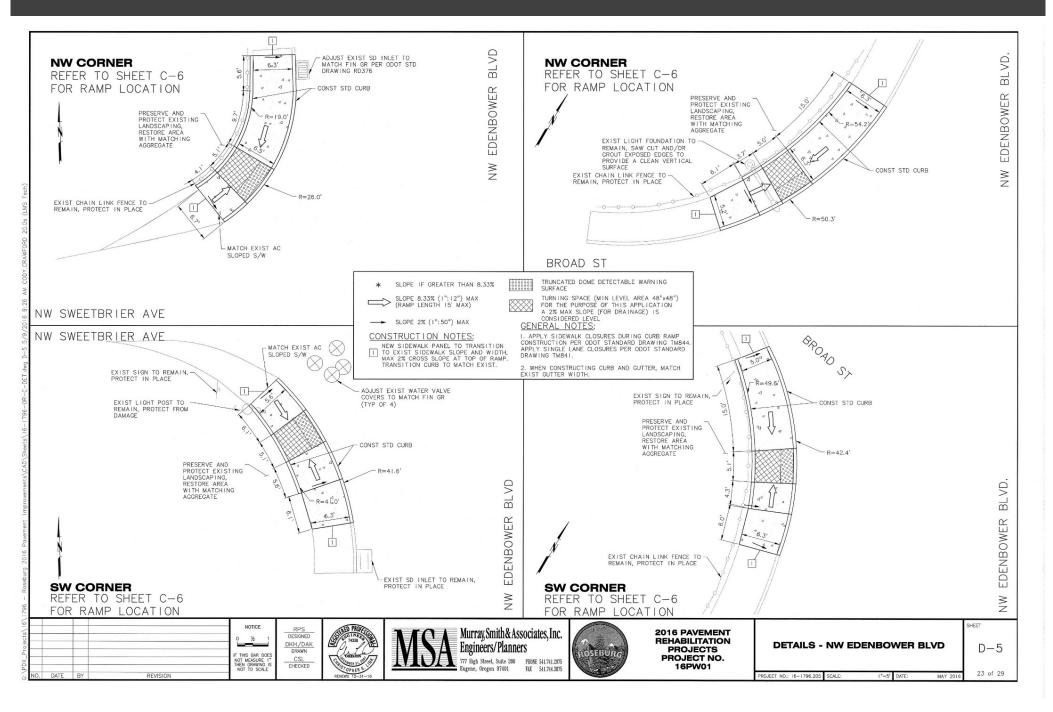
Example Sheet – Vancouver 2016



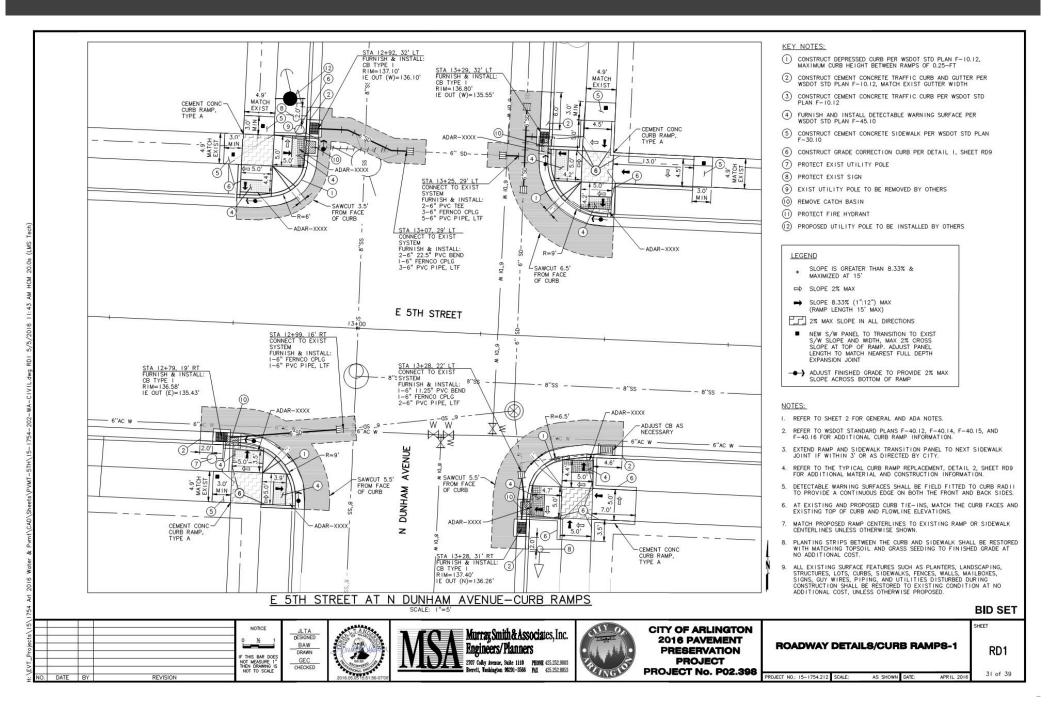
Example Sheet – Tigard 2016



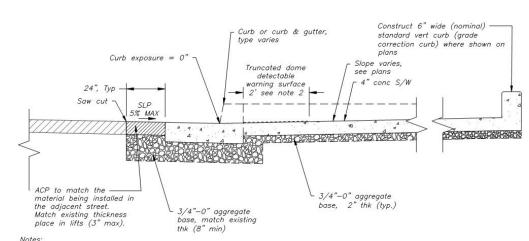
Example Sheet – Roseburg 2016



Example Sheet – Arlington 2016



Other Details



Notes:

1. Tooled joints are required at all sidewalk ramp slope break lines.

2. Place truncated dome detectable warning surface in the lower 2 feet adjacent to traffic of throat of ramp only.

3. Adjust curb profile within landing area as needed. Blend with existing street grade to minimize effect of change.

TYPICAL SIDEWALK RAMP REPLACEMENT SECTION

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SIDEWALK RAMP GENERAL NOTES:

1. Contractor shall be responsible for meeting all Americans with Disabilities (ADA) requirements as defined by the public rights-of-way accessibility guidelines (PROWAG). Details and dimensions shown are approximate only and intended as a guide for initial layout purposes only and are not complete. Contractor shall take all necessary field measurements and otherwise verify all dimensions to meet ADA requirements. Should any error or inconsistency exist, the Contractor shall not proceed with the work affected until reported to the Engineer for clarification or correction.

2. No survey has been completed for these ramps. GIS mapping was used to create the project plan sheets and curb ramp details shown. Dimensions are approximate and shall be verified. Reference Oregon Standard Drawings RD700, RD720, RD755, RD756, RD757, RD759 for additional information.

3. All survey and staking necessary for construction shall be provided by the Contractor. The Contractor shall develop and make all detail surveys necessary for layout and construction. Complete all survey staking as needed using information contained in the plans and adjusted as necessary to meet ADA requirements. Additional information or clarification by the engineer may be available upon request, but is not guaranteed. Surveyed field layout shall be reviewed by the Engineer prior to demolition and again prior to concrete placement.

4. The maximum closure time for any single curb ramp shall be one week. Submit traffic control plan and pedestrian detour plan for ramp closures. Plan shall include but is not limited to work area protection, sidewalk closures and detours.

5. Coordinate utility relocations and/or adjustments as needed. See specifications for utility contact information.

6. Replace curbs, sidewalks, and/or driveway aprons that are damaged as a result of construction operations. Replace full sections to the nearest existing construction joint. Replacement will be considered incidental to the work.

7. Protect freshly poured concrete from vandalism or other damage for a minimum of twenty-four (24) hours or until cured enough to support typical use, whichever is longer. Any concrete damaged by vandalism or other causes shall be replaced at no cost to the city.

8. All areas disturbed through the construction of the sidewalk ramps shall be returned to their original condition prior to project completion. This includes, but is not limited to, landscape restoration around new ramps.

9. Contractor shall take extra care to avoid damaging any irrigation, wiring, or other facilities in the area to the new ramp. Any facilities encountered shall be relocated by the contractor without damage to an appropriate location outside the ramp/walk area.



Revisions and Addendums					ENGINEERING DIVISION	FV	2016-17	DAVEMENT	MANAGEMENT	PROCRAM	SHEET	
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Construction

- Contract documents describe process and require contractor to meet ADA
 - These drawings are schematic in nature, the contractor is responsible to verify all dimensions and adjust as necessary to meet PROWAG.
- Pre-Pour field meeting
- Inspector with ADA training

Construction Process

- Pre-Pour Meeting (prime and concrete sub)
 - Walk through inspection process
 - Reiterate expectations
 - Gauge subcontractor expertise
- Mark demolition limits
- Demo and prep
- Check forms
- Check finished ramp

Demolition Limits



Checking Forms



Checking Forms





Before

After



Before

After



Before

After

Results

- Meet ADA
- Minimize change orders
- Reasonable design cost
- Process transferable between agencies



Questions?