



New Jersey Department of Transportation

TRENTON HEADQUARTERS SITE INSPECTION

April 2010

On April 29, 2010, a site inspection of NJDOT Trenton Headquarters was conducted. The Headquarters is composed of the Main Office Building (MOB), Finance & Administration (F&A) Building and the Engineering & Operations (E&O) Building. The goal was to identify accessibility problems and solutions in the existing facilities in order to meet the NJDOT's obligations under the ADA.

The following reports list items that were identified as non-compliant with ADA along with recommendations for improvements to remove barriers in order to make the facilities publicly accessible to those with disabilities.

General:

- All existing curb ramp (depressed curb) warning domes are to be replaced with an "IMPROVED" version warning stripe. Mr. David Millstein of the Dept. of Treasury (609-292- 7299) will provide DOT with a recommended manufacturer. The regulation will have to be checked to verify the distance the front edge of the warning strip is to be from the face of the curb.

MOB:

- The main entrance of the building is not 100% handicapped accessible. Public coming up the right sidewalk from Lower Ferry Road virtually enter into a dead end at the door. Wheelchairs have no access. It was suggested that a curb ramp be installed leading into the drive level blue walkway.



- At the Parkway bus stop, a curb ramp is to be placed in the walkway crossing Parkway Ave., thus, matching the one directly across the street. This should solve the “no ramp” problem as well the sunken sidewalk problem.



- The right side, Parkway Ave. curb ramp leading from Lower Ferry Road into the DOT drive is aligned such that a wheelchair is more likely to enter into the Parkway Ave. traffic then head toward the opposing curb ramp. This ramp will have to be reconstructed and more aligned such that the wheelchair, if allowed to roll by itself, heads toward the opposite curb ramp.



F & A:

- The curb ramp off of the southeast corner of the F & A building is simply painted and very badly worn away. The improved version of the warning strip is to be installed.



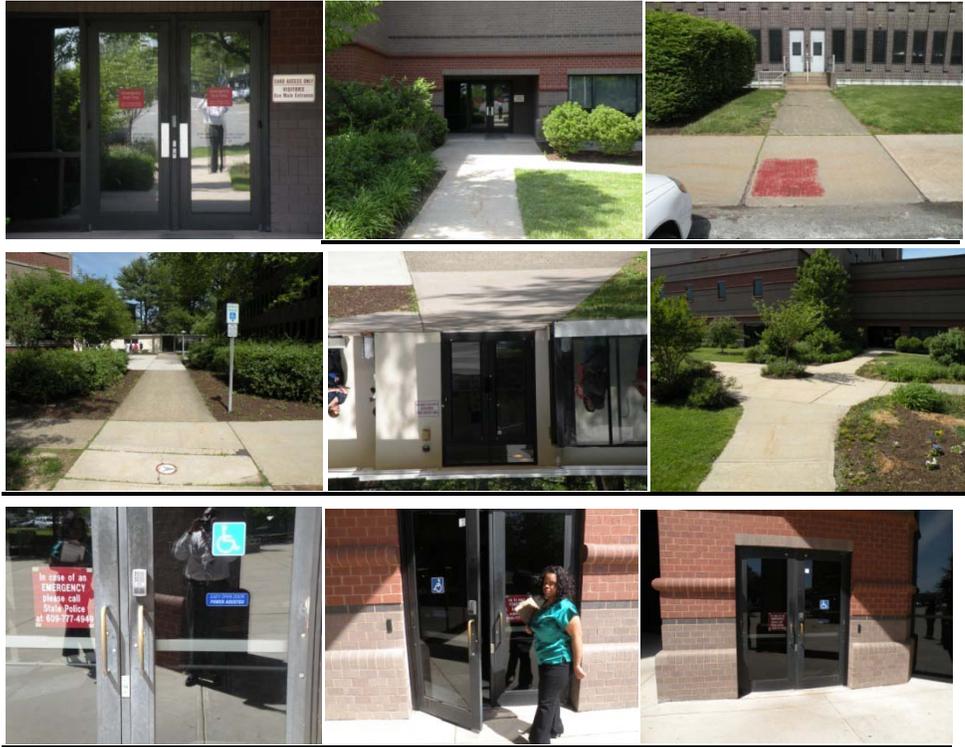
- There are no Handicapped Parking spaces on the south side of the F & A building. It was suggested that DOT either develop a quantity of parking spaces or place signs directing drivers to a Handicapped Parking area.



- The main drive on the west side of the F & A building is to have signs directing drivers to Handicapped Parking area(s). One particular spot which requires a sign is off of the southwest corner of the F & A building, visible to drivers.



- Since there are only two handicapped entrances among the three buildings at the Trenton Headquarters, signs are to be placed along the walkways around the F & A building, in front of the connecting Breezeway and Employee Memorial, and on the south side of the E & O Building, thereby directing the public to the handicapped accessible doors.



E & O:

- The existing sign post at the entrance of the E & O main drive is to contain Handicapped Parking signs. One sign is to be placed on each side of the sign post.



- The first five parking spaces on the right side of the E & O main drive are to be moved to the opposite side. These five spaces will be converted to Handicapped Parking. Handicapped signs will appropriately mark these spaces.

