

## ATTACHMENT 9.3

### Appendix/Attachment Title

Independent Inspection Check Form

### Appendix/Attachment Revision and Year:

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### Appendix/Attachment Introduction and Discussion

The Independent Inspection Check consists of a formal re-inspection by the DBIS of a randomly selected bridge that was previously inspected by another BITL.

The work of each BITL shall be reviewed twice per calendar year, each review occurring at a different bridge from the previous, and is then compared to the actual field conditions. All discrepancies are discussed with all inspection staff working in a district, and the BITL shall be notified of the results of the independent inspection. Changes, revisions or updates to previously completed bridge inspection reports shall be performed in accordance with the provisions in Chapter 5.

The DBIS shall complete the Independent Inspection Check Form which is available in this attachment, and additional information should be attached to this document and combined if needed. The completed Independent Inspection Check Form shall be released to the BITL, the BIPM and the BMQE within 30 days of the independent inspection for review.

Conditions may change on a bridge between the time of the subject inspection and the independent inspection. For this reason, the DBIS is encouraged to complete the independent inspection around 30 to 60 days following a bridge inspection. An example of something which may change are signs posted at the bridge site, a sign may have been removed or vandalized following the subject inspection, the QC Reviewer is to use discretion in these situations regarding points assigned for applicable sections.

### Appendix/Attachment Description

The Independent Inspection Check Form shall be completed at least twice per calendar year, each review occurring at a different bridge from the previous, for each BITL.

In the event the DBIS is serving as a BITL, another DBIS from another district will perform the field quality check. In the event that another SCDOT district is required to assist with this independent inspection, the DBIS from the district needing QC shall coordinate directly with another SCDOT district. The inspector performing the Independent Inspection Check is responsible for coordinating this second inspection including inspection scheduling, coordination and access.

The completed Independent Inspection Check Form shall be released by the DBIS to the BITL, the BIPM and BMQE. This form shall be released within 30 days from the date of the field check.