

POLICY NO. 4

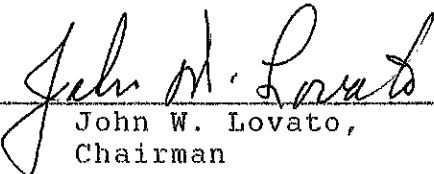
BOARD OF COUNTY ROAD COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF IRON

SUBJECT: Mailbox Replacement

DATE ADOPTED: January 2, 1997

STATEMENT POLICY:

Effective this date, it shall be the policy of the BOARD OF COUNTY ROAD COMMISSIONERS OF IRON COUNTY that a rural mailbox which is struck and damaged by a unit of equipment belonging to the Iron County Road Commission shall be replaced at the expense of the Iron County Road Commission. Replacement of mailboxes which collapse due to the weight of snow or ice shall be the responsibility of the owner. A representative of the Iron County Road Commission shall inspect the damaged mailbox and make a determination as to who shall be responsible for the replacement costs.



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Maintenance Advisory

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January 7, 2009

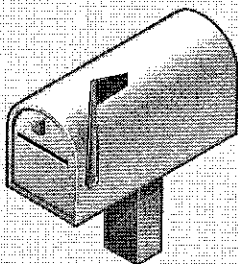
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Guidance for Repair of Damaged Mailboxes

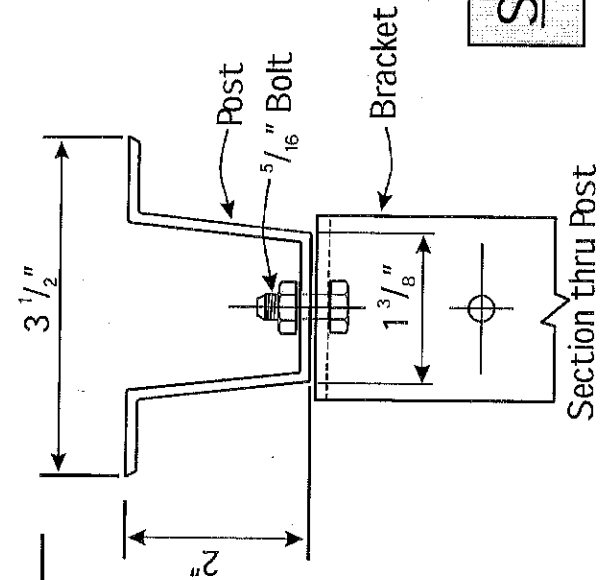
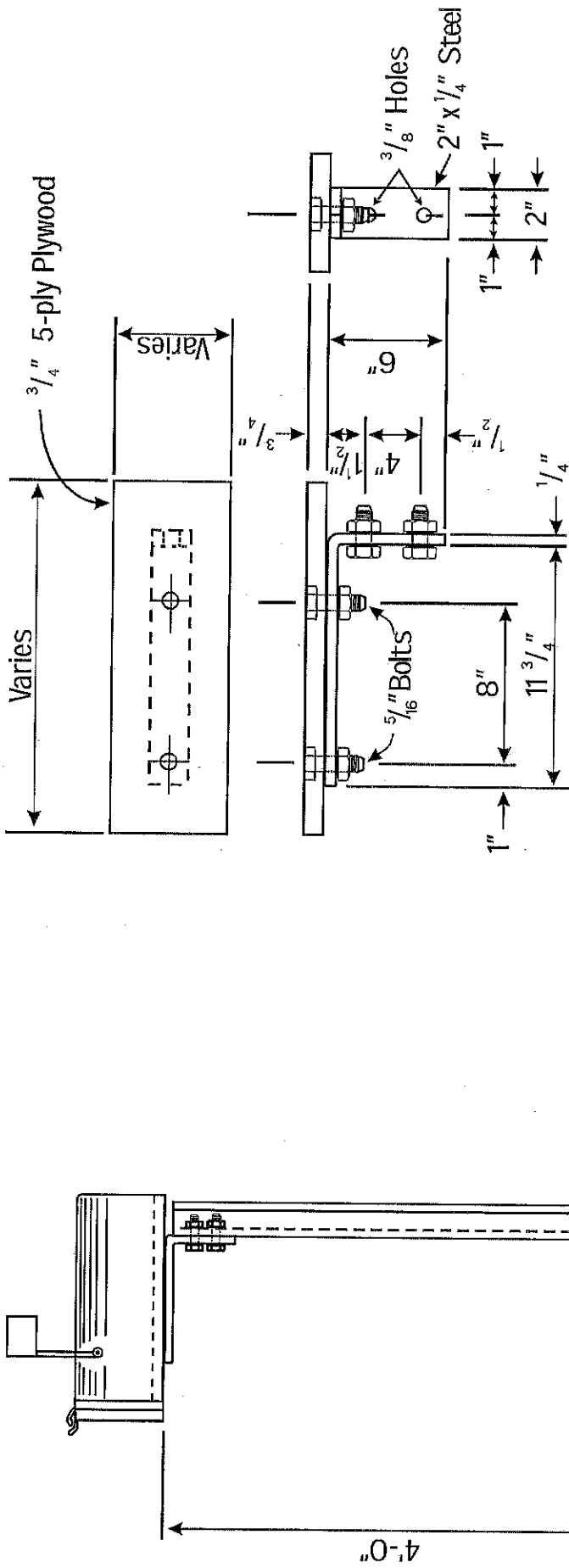
This advisory is being issued to provide guidance to field personnel for appropriate procedures to follow when mailboxes are damaged during maintenance operations. It has been a long-standing maintenance practice to replace mailboxes that have clearly been damaged by maintenance operations with a standard type mailbox and post as approved by the United States Postal Service, in cases where:

- The previously existing mailbox or post was a fancy ornate type; the replacement should still only be of a standard type as approved by the United States Postal Service.
- The ground is frozen; a salvage steel sign post per the attached drawing may be installed in lieu of the standard wood post as shown on Standard Plan R-74 series.
- The owner elects to make the replacement himself; he may be provided a standard type mailbox and post. Cash reimbursement to the owner must be processed through the Court of Claims or the Highway Negligence Litigation Division of the Attorney General's Office. The procedures required for this process are lengthy and its use should be discouraged and avoided if possible.
- The responsibility for the damages to the mailbox may be disputable (the maintenance operation may or may not have been responsible for the damage); the best judgment of the maintenance supervisor shall be used to make the final decision.

It should be noted that the department does not and has never assumed responsibility for mailbox damage that may be caused by flying snow that is being plowed from the roadway.

Attachment

"Standard Mailbox Installation" 1 page



Standard Mailbox Installation