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Additional low-cost safety improvements

Recent Iowa DOT-sponsored workshops—Incorporating Safety into Rehabilitation, Restoration, and Resurfacing (3R) Roadway Projects—offered county engineers advice about low-cost safety improvements.

Some improvements discussed at the workshops included the following:

- adding rumble strips in advance of stop signs and along pavement edges in problem locations
- updating guard rail to current standards
- removing trees and utility poles from clear zones
- using bigger and brighter chevrons for curves (see related story in the Sep-Oct 2004 issue of *Technology News*)
- flattening fore slopes and driveway slopes
- adding advance warning signs

For more information

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For information about crash analysis tools, visit www.dot.state.ia.us/crashanalysis/.

For more information about the Iowa DOT District 4 pavement markings project, contact James Bane, 712-243-3355, james.bane@dot.iowa.gov.
