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If the modern versions of these rules eliminate bad outdated options for road, and road related infrastructure, then I am in favor of the changes.

However if the regulations still allow for:

- 1) Left off-ramp, on-ramp construction for limited access roads
- 2) Installation of traffic signals such that a car stopped at the stop line doesn't allow the driver to see the light's state in a normal seated position (because the signal light is too high or close to the stop line)
- 3) The installation of road signs so high they are obscured or out of line of sight
- 4) The shifting of lanes as traffic crosses an intersection such that a 6+ inch correction in steering is needed to stay in the correct lane (and not impact a median or enter the wrong lane)
- 5) Allows for the installation of islands and other non-flat elements in a roadway such as medians, etc without required reflective signage to direct traffic AROUND them

Then those new regulations don't go far enough to get our road construction into the 1980's much less 2015, so please amend them to address the above issues as well.

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