# District Construction Engineers' Meeting May 18, 2020 2:00 - 3:30 PM Agenda

# **New/Recurring Business:**

#### 1) Attendees Present:

Summary Notes:

Attendees Present were:

D1 - Jon Sands, Brian Penny, Brian Blair, Scott Sikorski

D2 – Travis Humphries, Michael Sandow

D3 - Ed Hudec, Kevin Fussell, David Bradford, Ranae Sanders

D4 - Deb Ihsan, Matt Carlock

D5-Todd Womick, Jennifer Smith

D6 - Mario Cabrera, Heidi Solaun-Dominguez

D7 - Megan Arasteh, Conrad Campbell, Judy Sobczak

TP - Albert Salas

CO – Art Berger, Tim Lattner, Dan Hurtado, Scott Arnold, Patrick Russo, Jake Bailosky, Quinton Tillman, Jason Russell, Rich Hewitt, Larry Ritchie, Latashi Kitchen, Suzannah Ray

FHWA – Chad Thompson

# 2) COVID-19 (Dan Hurtado)

The group to discuss COVID-19.

Summary Notes: Dan discussed requests for extensions due to COVID-19, but there are no blanket approvals.

Rich discussed contactless ticketing. The Department is working through contactless ticketing and SAs have been developed on a few jobs. It seems to be going well, just working out the payment and project distribution. Some contractors are not willing to take the risk on cost. DCEs were asked to please reach out to Rich if contractors need assistance with this.

# 3) Specification Updates (Dan Hurtado)

SCO will provide an overview of recent Specification changes. Districts may bring forward any proposed specification changes.

Summary Notes: Spec updates were not discussed.

## 4) Construction Guidelists and Critical Requirements (Dan Hurtado)

The group to discuss the value of the Construction Inspection QC Guidelists and Construction QA Critical Requirements Lists.

Summary Notes: Dan discussed the background of Construction Guidelists and Critical Requirements. They were meant to provide guidance to the districts for compliance issues, a supplement to the specs. Districts chimed in and a few find the guidelists as useful tools for new employees.

# 5) OnStation Mobile Productivity App (Patrick Russo/Jake Bailosky)

- OnStation is a mobile productivity app for roadway workers and designers that
  provides instant jobsite location, access to plans and design, and a team chat
  platform. Deploying OnStation on a project increases worksite efficiency by
  reducing worker downtime, error potential, and project management overhead.
- During this presentation, OnStation will provide a brief overview of company, an app demonstration highlighting the core features and items to consider when selecting pilot projects.

Summary Notes: Patrick and Jake presented a mobile productivity app that is project specific and can be used from the field or home office. Districts were asked to start looking for projects to use the mobile app.

# 6) H-Contract (Jennifer Smith)

SCO to provide an update on the H-Contract request system proposal.

Summary Notes: Dan has not had a chance to look at this. If anyone has any further questions, reach out to Jennifer directly.

# 7) <u>Developing Additional Guidance to Designers for Performance Turf Sod</u> (Jason Russell)

Discuss failures with the seed and mulch applications and where sod would be a better choice.

Summary Notes: Jason discussed guidance for sod application with the group. The existing guidance is minimal and leads to seed and mulch in places that aren't necessary. Jason will draft language up to put in the FDM and get it out to everyone for review.

# 8) <u>Usage of Docu-sign (Travis Humphries)</u>

Discuss allowing the usage of Docu-sign to sign Supplemental Agreements, Contract change orders, etc.; especially when we have to acquire the surety's signature.

Summary Notes: Travis discussed issues with folks not having digital signatures and is requesting the use of Docu-sign.

Action: Dan to look into contractual side and will get back with the group.

# Walk-On Items:

### 1) Buy America Certification Tracking (Jon Sands)

District 1 to present a proposal to Add Buy America Certification Tracking into the Department's Pay Item Tracking System.

Summary Notes: Jon discussed adding Buy America Certification Tracking into the Department's Pay Item Tracking System. Scott Sikorski presented a proposed Buy America Tracking System and how to handle certifications for steel on the project.

Action: Dan to get with Missy Hollis.

#### Next DCE Meeting – June 29, 2020

Submit agenda items to Suzannah Ray by Friday, June 19, 2020.