

District Construction Engineers' Meeting

May 24, 2021

2:00 – 3:30 PM

Agenda

New/Recurring Business:

1) Attendees Present:

Summary Notes: Attendees Present were:

D1 – Brian Penny, Brian Blair

D2 – Scott Lent, Michael Sandow

D3 – Ranae Sanders, Dave Bradford

D4 - Deb Ihsan, Matt Carlock

D5 – John Hatfield

D6 – Mario Cabrera, Heidi Solaun

D7 – Heward Humes

TP – Albert Salas, Yveins Jean-Pierre

CO – Art Berger, Tim Lattner, Olivia Townsend, Joe Santos, Dan Hurtado, Scott Arnold, Larry Ritchie, Latashi Kitchen, Suzannah Ray

FHWA – Rafiq Darji

2) Bid Q&A (Dan Hurtado)

Dan to discuss Bid Q&A.

Summary Notes: The group discussed Bid Q&A. Dan advised the group to be thoughtful about responses to questions. Any correspondence prior to the letting is through the Bid Q&A website which becomes part of the contract documents. SCO is revising spec 2-4 to be clear where Bid Q&A falls in the hierarchy and to state responses are part of the contract.

Action: Dan to send examples to the group.

3) Maintenance of Traffic (MOT) Inspection Review Report (Reference Documents Attached) (Scott Lent)

Scott to discuss a new form with proposed edits.

Summary Notes: Scott Lent discussed changes to the MOT Inspection Review Report. The group has concerns, and the form requires additional edits.

**4) Contractor NOIs for Price Escalation (Reference Documents Attached)
(Scott Lent)**

- FHP price increase in northeast Florida increased from \$45/hour to \$65/hour;
- Traffic Control Officer availability – see attachment “Spec 102-7 from Jan 2021” – if there continues to be a lack of availability, in lieu of providing time extensions, consider allowing the operations requiring TCO’s listed to be relaxed except items #1 & #3;
- fuel (gasoline and diesel fuel);

Summary Notes: The group discussed traffic control shortage issues. The FHP agreement has been raised an additional \$20/hour but there is still a shortage of officers. Districts have the option to use other agencies, but they are experiencing the same issues.

Action: Dan to look into this and get back with the group.

Walk on Items:

1) Traveling to Districts (Dan Hurtado)

Summary Notes: Dan informed the group he traveled to D6 a few weeks ago and will be doing this around the state.

2) Spec 4-3.2.1 (Michael Sandow)

Summary Notes: There is still confusion on spec 4-3.2.1. Michael would like to discuss at the June meeting.

Next DCE Meeting – June 28, 2021

Submit agenda items to Suzannah Ray by Friday, June 18, 2021.