

District Construction Engineers' Meeting

June 27, 2022

2:00 - 3:30 PM

Agenda

New/Recurring Business:

1) Attendees Present:

Summary Notes: Attendees Present were:

D1 – Brian Blair, Jon Sands, Brian Penny

D2 - Scott Lent, Kevin Rodgers

D3 - Renae Sanders, Kevin Fussell, Kerrie Harrell, David Bradford

D4 - Deborah Ihsan, Matthew Carlock, Benjamin Burton

D5 - John Hatfield, Todd Womick, Jennifer Smith

D6 - Mario Cabrera, Heidi Solaun

D7 - Conrad Campbell

TP- Yveins Jean-Pierre

CO - Tim Lattner, Art Berger, Larry Ritchie, Olivia Townsend, Latashi Kitchen

FHWA -

2) Project Commitment Tracking (Heidi Solaun)

Per procedure 650-000-003, the Construction Project Administrator must provide documentation of Commitment fulfillment or status to the Design Project Manager prior to final acceptance. The Design Project Manager or designee will close out the Commitments in PSEE once documentation of fulfillment has been received. The Design Project Manager creates the final PCR in PSEE and uploads the form into EDMS.

This is not in CPAM. We are having an audit from FHWA and although we made sure that all the commitments were fulfilled, we did not send an official email to the design project manager. We are looking to see if we can incorporate this in CPAM.

Summary Notes:

Add (Project Commitments Record) PCR to CPAM. Tim: add language to CPAM to refer to procedure 650-000-003.

3) Aggregate Shortages (Concrete & Asphalt) (Conrad Campbell)

Conrad to discuss aggregate shortages.

Summary Notes:

D7 stated that they were receiving various letters and notices regarding shortages for aggregate for asphalt and concrete mixes. The impacts of these alleged shortages are difficult to quantify at this point. One question was if other districts were seeing similar notices. Generally speaking, other districts have received some similar notices as well. The SMO has worked with Concrete producers to allow for alternative aggregate sources for non-structural mixes. The plan moving forward is to address the potential time impacts in the same manner as ongoing supply chain impacts.

4) Lane Closure Notification System (One.Network) Implementation (Olivia Townsend)

Olivia to discuss the lane closure notification system (One.Network) implementation.

Summary Notes:

Olivia discussed the lane closure notification system (One.Network) implementation. Discussed implementation timeline and that 'go-live' date will be August 22, 2022. Discussed upcoming mandatory specification revisions associated with the new system. Discussed need for District designees to handle input of Contractor and CEI users into system.

5) FHP Hireback Contract (Olivia Townsend)

Olivia to discuss the FHP Hireback contract.

Summary Notes:

Olivia discussed the upcoming FHP Hireback contract. New contract number is BED86. Olivia updated Districts that Contract had been signed by FHP, but an amendment was needed due to legislation adding several complete market area counties. Amendment is routing through FHP and it is anticipated to be in place by July 1. Olivia will notify the Districts once the new contract is available for use.

6) Partnering Specification (Tim Lattner)

Tim to discuss the partnering specification.

Summary Notes:

Tim shared some proposed changes to the Partnering specifications. Idea is to build a foundation of good relationships vs not doing any partnering... Discussion about adding a limit to projects over a certain threshold... maybe \$10 million. After discussion it was realized that the markups were not done on the most recent specification. So it was decided to table discussion for now.

7) CSI Discussion (Tim Lattner)

Tim to discuss CSIs.

Summary Notes:

Discussed elimination of work on a CSI and idea of providing the contractor with a small portion to offset the change in unit price due to reduced volume of work that the fixed cost is able to be spread over. The DCE's were not in favor of making this change.

Also discussed, contractor getting a quick "no" when submitting a CSI, possibly coming from Design. DCE's felt that they were aware of CSI's being submitted and ensuring that they are fully vetted. D7 - DCE is aware of all that are no, D6 - is vetted by the DDE, D1 - everyone is included that needs to be, D4 - is the same, TP - same approach (DCE is involved). It was determined that no further action was needed.

8) Substantial Completion Discussion (Tim Lattner)

Tim to discuss substantial completion.

Summary Notes:

Discussed idea of substantial completion on projects due to multiple punchlists or waiting on minor work to be completed due to material delays, and the reduction in the contractors risk. Districts felts that there is a Mechanism is already there to cover the LDs if all lanes are open. Tool for negotiation after the project is complete. Jobs will drag on if go down this path. Same as conditional acceptance that we used to have that would result with contracts dragging on. DCE's were not in favor of this idea.

Walk-On Items:

John Hatfield:

Mentioned that a contractor suggested that the Department consider letting CEI's that originate CSI ideas that result in a savings allow for that CEI to share in the savings.

There appeared to be no major thrust from the construction industry bringing this concept to other DCE's based on the resulting discussion. Maybe future policy will allow for something of this nature, but not currently.

Scott Lent:

The Supplemental Agreement and Unilateral Payment review and signature authority was revised in the January 3, 2022, version of CPAM requiring all SAs and Ups exceeding \$150,000 to be sent to Central Office Legal. This was a reduction from the previous amount of \$500,000. Larry Ritchie stated that he did not have any notes as to why the reduction was made. Scott recommended increasing the amount for Central Office Legal review to above \$1,000,000 to be consistent with Construction Signature authority. Art Berger believed that the change may be associated with a QA or investigation of past SAs. ACTION: Tim Lattner to discuss with Central Legal to determine the basis for the change.

Next DCE Meeting – July 25, 2022

Submit agenda items to Suzannah Ray by Friday, July 15, 2022.