Plan Revisions

During construction, certain revisions to plans are permissible under certain circumstances without voiding the construction contract. Section 4-3, Alteration of Plans or of Character of Work, of the ***FDOT Standard Specifications***, deals specifically with this issue.

The need for plan revisions is anticipated in the contract documents. Reasons for revisions include:

- An increase, decrease, or actual alteration in the work
- Extra work assigned under the contract
- Differing site conditions found in the field
- Cost Savings Initiatives (CSI)

When faced with a potential plan revision, the CEI should research the referenced documents, determine if costs or time are involved in the plan revision, and respond promptly so that the contractor's progress on the project is not impeded. The procedures to follow are all carefully detailed in the references. In no case should the contractor be allowed to proceed with any plan revision until written approval is issued. It is important that all significant changes made during construction be documented in the final as-built plans, as discussed in ***CPAM 5.12 and 5.13***. These references should be followed in making any changes in final quantities and changes in the design that are reflected in the final estimate for the project.

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