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MEMORANDUM

DATE: November 21, 2019

TO: Specification Review Distribution List

FROM: Daniel Strickland, P.E., State Specifications Engineer

SUBJECT: Proposed Specification: **3460303 Structural Portland Cement Concrete.**

In accordance with Specification Development Procedures, we are sending you a copy of a proposed specification change.

This change was proposed by Dale DeFord from the State Materials Office to modify the language, update external references, require additional information from Specialty Engineer and Contractors, modify specific requirements for removal of temperature measures under reduced monitoring, and specify locations for temperature sensors.

Please share this proposal with others within your responsibility. Review comments are due within four weeks and should be sent to Mail Station 75 or online at <http://fdotewp1.dot.state.fl.us/programmanagement/development/industryreview.aspx> . Comments received after **December 26, 2019**, may not be considered. Your input is encouraged.

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Attachment

STRUCTURAL PORTLAND CEMENT CONCRETE (REV 11-21-19)

SUBARTICLE 346-3.3 is deleted and the following substituted:

346-3.3 Mass Concrete: When the Contract Documents designate any structure as mass concrete ~~is designated in the Contract Documents~~, use a Specialty Engineer to develop and administer a Mass Concrete Control Plan (MCCP). Develop the MCCP in accordance with ~~section 207 of the ACI Manual~~ Publications 207.1R Guide to Mass Concrete, ACI 207.2R Report on Thermal and Volume Change Effects on Cracking of Mass Concrete, and ACI 224R Control of Cracking in Concrete Structures of Concrete Practice to ensure concrete core temperatures for any mass concrete element do not exceed either the maximum allowable core temperature of 180°F, ~~or and that~~ the maximum temperature differential of 35 F between the element core and surface ~~do not exceed the maximum allowable temperature differential of 35°F~~. Submit the MCCP to the Engineer for approval at least 14 calendar days prior to the first anticipated mass concrete placement. Ensure the MCCP includes and fully describes the following:

1. The Financial Project Identification Number (FPID).
2. Contact names and numbers ~~for project information~~.
3. Names and qualifications of all designees who will inspect the installation of and record the output of temperature measuring devices, and who will implement temperature control measures ~~directed by the Specialty Engineer~~.
4. The number, type, and dimensions of each mass concrete element to be constructed.
5. A sequential ID number assigned to each element indicating bridge number, element type, element size, and element location.
6. The ~~concrete~~ mix design number of the concrete used to construct each element.
7. Indicate which mass concrete elements will be monitored, ~~or will be candidates for reduced or omitted monitoring~~.
8. Casting procedures,
9. Insulating systems,
10. Type and placement of temperature measuring and recording devices, as well as any remote monitoring devices and software.
11. Analysis of anticipated thermal developments for the various mass concrete elements for all anticipated ambient temperature ranges between 40°F and 100°F, in 10°F increments. Include maximum concrete placement temperatures for each condition.
12. Measures to prevent thermal shock.
13. Active cooling measures, if used.

Do not place concrete until the MCCP received written approval, and fFully comply with its requirements ~~the approved MCCP~~. Any modifications must be submitted as addenda to the original MCCP and must be approved in writing by the Engineer. Ensure that, prior to the first concrete placement of each concrete element tThe Specialty Engineer or approved designee shall personally inspects ~~and approve~~ the installation of the temperature measuring devices and verifies that the temperature data acquisition equipment is functioning properly ~~process for recording temperature readings is effective for the first placement of each size and type mass component~~. The temperature data acquisition equipment must record

temperature readings at least once per hour, beginning at the completion of concrete placement and continuing until the core temperature is within 50°F of the ambient temperature. The Specialty Engineer shall be available for immediate consultation during the monitoring period of any mass concrete element. ~~Monitor~~Record temperature ~~measuring device~~ readings at least once every intervals no greater than six hours, beginning at the completion of concrete placement and continuing until decreasing core temperatures and temperature differentials are confirmed in accordance with the approved MCCP. Leave temperature control mechanisms in place until the concrete core temperature is within 50°F of the ambient temperature. Within three workings days of the completion of temperature ~~monitoring~~recording for each concrete element, submit an electronic, editable report to the Engineer ~~which that~~ includes the element identification all temperature readings, temperature differentials, date and time of any changes to the temperature control measures, all original temperature readings, data logger summaries and graphs, and results of the visual inspection of the sheets and the maximum core temperature and temperature differentials for each mass concrete element.

If the first element of a group of elements with the same dimensions is placed in accordance with ~~Upon successful performance of the approved~~ MCCP, without exceeding either the maximum temperature or maximum temperature differential of the concrete, reduced monitoring of ~~similar~~ the remaining elements may be ~~allowed~~requested. ~~Submit any such~~ Requests written approval from ~~to~~ the Engineer for reduced monitoring approval at least 14 calendar days prior to the ~~anticipated~~requested date of reduced monitoring. If approved, temperature monitoring is required~~the Specialty Engineer may monitor~~ only for the initial element of a group of concrete elements meeting all of the following requirements:

1. All elements have the same ~~least cross sectional~~ dimensions;
2. All elements have the same concrete mix design;
3. All elements have the same insulation R value and active cooling measures (if used); ~~and~~
4. Ambient temperatures during concrete placement for all elements are ~~is~~ within minus 10°F ~~or plus 5°F~~ of the ambient temperature during placement of the initial element.

5. Use the same temperature control measures used for the initial monitored element and keep in place for at least the same length of time as for the initial element. The Contractor and Engineer each have the option to have the temperature monitored to ensure the core temperature is within 50°F of ambient prior to termination of temperature control measures.

Install temperature measuring and recording devices for all mass concrete elements. Position the temperature sensors two inches inside the concrete surface for surface temperature measurements and at the expected location of the maximum temperature for core temperature measurements. Place the ambient temperature sensor in a location that protects it from direct exposure to rain, sun, or sources of radiated heat, such as concrete or asphalt pavement surfaces. Temperatures shall be recorded, starting at the time of concrete placement, and continuing until the maximum core temperature is within 50°F of the ambient temperature. Resume ~~the recording of temperature~~ monitoring of the temperatures ~~device output~~ for all elements if directed by the Engineer. No additional compensation or time will be granted by t~~The Department will make no compensation, either monetary or time,~~ for any impacts associated with or arising out of reduced monitoring of mass concrete elements.

~~Instrumentation and temperature measurement~~~~Mass concrete control provisions~~ are not required for drilled shafts supporting sign, signal, lighting or intelligent transportation (ITS) structures that meet all of the following requirements:

1. The diameter is six feet or less.
2. The total cementitious materials content of the concrete mix design is less than or equal to 750 pounds per cubic yard.

~~Temperature monitoring may be omitted -a~~At the Contractor's option, ~~instrumentation and temperature measuring may be omitted~~ for any mass concrete substructure element meeting all of the following requirements:

1. The minimum ~~Least~~ cross-sectional dimension of the element is ~~of~~ six feet or less.;
2. Insulation with an R-value of at least 2.5 must be provided for at least 72 hours following the completion of concrete placement.;
3. The environmental classification of the concrete element is slightly aggressive or moderately aggressive.;
4. The concrete mix design meets the mass concrete proportioning requirements of 346-2.3. ~~and~~
5. The total cementitious material content of the concrete mix design is less than or equal to 750 pounds per cubic yard ~~or less~~.
6. Temperature of the concrete is 95°F or less at placement.

~~If either the maximum allowable core temperature or temperature differential of any mass concrete element is exceeded,~~ Implement immediate corrective action as directed by the Specialty Engineer when either the core temperature or the temperature differential of any mass concrete element exceeds its maximum allowable value ~~to remediate~~. The approval of the MCCP shall be revoked. Do not place any mass concrete elements until a revised MCCP has been approved in writing by the Engineer. Submit an Engineering Analysis Scope in accordance with 6-4 for approval, which addresses the structural integrity and durability of any mass concrete element ~~which~~that is not cast in compliance with the approved MCCP or which exceeds the allowable core temperature or temperature differential. Submit all analyses and test results requested by the Engineer for any noncompliant mass concrete element to the satisfaction of the Engineer. There must be no additional compensation or time granted ~~The Department will make no compensation, either monetary or time,~~ for the analyses and tests or any impacts to ~~upon~~ the project related to or arising out of this issue.