

SCDOT/CAGC Joint Committee Meeting November 20, 2013 Minutes

Attendees

See attached list

The meeting was called to order by Todd Steagall and Chris Davis with introductions.

Old Business

Contractor Status and Weather Delay Update

Charts were not handed out today due to the numerous change orders in the process and data would be inaccurate at this time but Todd stated that 66% were on time and 28% were behind schedule. Some of the projects are being pushed into next year because of change orders for weather delays. Contractors need to submit updated schedules so DOT can make sure resources are available next year.

NEW BUSINESS

Safety Topic

Charles reported on an incident where workers were working off a pallet on a fork lift where the pallet did not fit properly. One of the workers stepped on the edge of the pallet and it tilted and the worker fell causing serious injury to his leg. When working off of a platform, make sure it is secure and fall protection is used.

Bidx Addendums

Todd reported that the Construction office is trying to eliminate last minute addendums. Alerts are posted on Bidx and may not have an addendum associated with it. PDF files for specification changes or clarification are put on Bidx but may not affect the EBS files. Amendments will have to be downloaded by the contractor to be able to submit a bid. Todd recommended that no changes be made to the bidding packages after Friday before the letting. Also specification changes are being posted on the extranet. Alternate pipe items will no longer be used in the bidding package.

SIB Funding Update

SIB funding package is going before the Joint Bond Review Committee on December 4th for approval. See attached sheet for SIB funded projects.

At the October Commission meeting, \$50 million was approved to construct Pre-Cast maintenance type bridges on about 90 projects.

Subcommittees

Roadway Subcommittee: Did not meet

Bridge Subcommittee: Did not meet

Project Development Subcommittee: Did not meet

Utility Subcommittee: Did not meet

Supplier Subcommittee: Did not meet

Design Build Subcommittee: Did not meet

Other Business

County or Municipal funded Projects

Contractors were asking if the budgets could be released on these projects prior to bids. This would help identify any scope changes that may need to be cut to meet budgets and eliminate multiple bidding of the projects trying to meet the budgets. Maybe try bidding projects with a base project with additives and let the contractors submit bid on the base and how many of the additives they can perform for the money.

Enhancement projects will be going away but there are existing projects in the process that will be let.

<u>Environmental – Jay Hawkins</u>

Jay advised that the Army Corp permits in the contracts need to be read carefully because whatever is in the permit has to be performed on the project. Any plan changes that occur after the letting have to be reviewed by the environmental office and possibly the Corp of Engineers.

Deputy Secretary for Engineering Van Fuller

Van Fuller made comments to the group concerning the initiative of consistency statewide. He also commented on the initiatives: Providing a quality product, Be bold – submit good ideas and provide feedback, Safety – SCDOT, Contractor and Public.

Next Meeting: January 22, 2014

Adjourned

SCTIB Approves Road Funding Plan: The SC Transportation Infrastructure Bank (SCTIB) Board met last week and unanimously approved a final list of projects to be funded with the money the legislature approved this past June. Option 3, which is spelled out below, was approved with an amendment that requires SCDOT to submit a list of projects for approval on the use of the \$6M granted for preliminary engineering. Option three is a hybrid of the other two options and actually gets the ball moving on several other projects by getting the preliminary engineering started. The Joint Bond Review Committee now has to give final approval to this same plan and they are scheduled to meet Dec 4 at 10:30 at the State House.

As approved by the SCTIB, the following plan is listed below:

- I-85/385 Interchange (Greenville Co/4.3 miles/SCDOT providing \$140 million), Act 114 Interstate Interchange Priority List Project No.2, not to exceed \$80 million (SCDOT has assured SCTIB that it has adequate funding for project and the \$20 million reallocation set forth below will have no impact on this project in any way);
- 1-20 Widening (Lexington Co./10.3 miles) from US 378 to S-204/Longs Pond Rd., Act 114 Interstate Priority List Project No. 9. Not to exceed \$154, 701, 000.);
- I-85 Widening (Spartanburg & Cherokee Cos./16 miles), Phases I and II, from Gossette Rd./S-57 to SC 18, Act114 Interstate Priority List Project No.18, not to exceed \$262 million (\$171 million unavailable at present for Phase III to North Carolina state line);
- I-77 Widening (Richland Co./2.6 miles) from I-20 to SC 277, Act 114 Interstate Priority List Project No. 15, not to exceed \$38,701,000;
- Fund not to exceed \$10 million for preliminary engineering for malfunction junction (Richland/Lexington Cos./4.98 miles), the No 1 unfunded project on Act 114 Interstate Priority List and the No. 1 project Act 114 Interstate Interchange Priority List, (1) to advance it to be shovel-ready to receive state and federal funds at the earliest possible time; (2) fund not to exceed \$4 million for preliminary engineering for Phase III of the I-85 (12.36 miles) widening to the North Carolina line to advance it to be shovel-ready to receive state and federal funds at the earliest possible time; (3) fund not to exceed \$6 million for preliminary engineering for critical interstate projects, or phases of such projects, selected by SCDOT from an interstate improvement master plan developed to advance Act 114 Interstate Priority List projects to be shovel-ready to receive state and federal funds at the earliest possible time; and (4) requires SCDOT to submit the list of projects for approval on the use of the \$6M granted for preliminary engineering to the SCTIB for approval. (Item total not to exceed \$20 million)

Total: \$550 million (SCDOT to control project construction costs as needed so as not to exceed \$550 million).

SCDOT Joint Committee Dates for 2014

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Joint	Road	Bridge	Project Develop	Utility	Supplier	Design Build
9:00 am Contractor 10 am Joint	9:00 am Contractor 10 am Joint	1:00 pm Contractor 2:00 pm Joint	9:00 am Contractor 10 am Joint	1:00 pm Contractor 2:00 pm Joint	10:00 AM	9:00 AM LPA/SCDOT
Room 306 SCDOT	Room 303A SCDOT	Room 303A SCDOT	Room 303A SCDOT	Room 303A SCDOT	OMR Conference Room	
January 22, 2014	February 19, 2014	Feb 19, 2014	Feb 26, 2014	Feb 26, 2014	May 21, 2014	Jan 14, 2014
March 26, 2014	April 16, 2014	April 16, 2014	April 23, 2014	April 23, 2014	Nov 19, 2014	March 14, 2014
May 28, 2014	June 18, 2014	June 18, 2014	June 25, 2014	June 25, 2014		May 13, 2014
July 23, 2014	August 20, 2014	August 20, 2014	August 27, 2014	August 27, 2014		July 8, 2014
September 24, 2014	October 15, 2014	October 15, 2014	October 22, 2014	October 22, 2014		Sept 9, 2014
November 26, 2014	Dec 17, 2014	Dec 17, 2014	Dec 24, 2014*	Dec 24, 2014 *		Nov 11, 2014

Dates of Interest

Highway Division Meeting at Summit TBA

93nd Carolinas AGC Annual Convention, Jan 29 – Feb 2, 2014, Boca Raton Resort & Club

Engineering Conference, TBA Columbia Convention Center

*Subcommittee will change meeting date as needed

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