

SCDOT/CAGC Road Subcommittee Meeting

April 18, 2012 Minutes

Attendees: See attached list

Chris Davis opened meeting and had introductions.

OLD BUSINESS

Update on Davis Bacon

A task force has been assembled to gather contractor information on classifications and wages. CAGC will compile the information and present to SCDOT for review. A meeting is scheduled for Monday April 23, 2012 to discuss this information. Contractors would like to see two wage regulation schedules for the state in lieu of eight with multiple county breakdowns.

NEW BUSINESS

DBE Submittals

During the bidding process, contractors have to identify DBE participation and enter each line item into bidx. This is a time consuming process and if revised quotes are received at the last minute, the contractor does not have enough time to revise all the line items before bid submission cut-off time. A task force will be meeting to discuss the possibility of submitting less information at bid submission time and follow-up later with the detailed information. SCDOT and FHWA have been in discussions on this and think there is the possibility to streamline the bidding submittals to DBE contractor name, area of work and dollar amount. SCDOT and CAGC will be meeting to discuss.

Cold Weather Paving Plans

With mild winters as experienced this past year, CAGC would like to see if SCDOT will modify the requirements for winter paving and allow surface paving to be extended to mid December. This will be referred to the HMA Quality Improvement Committee for review and modification. (copy of current requirements attached)

Holiday Lane Restrictions

Attached with the minutes is the provision for Lane Closure Restrictions-(Extended Holiday Periods). Even though the provision states for interstates and high volume primary routes, some districts are

applying this to all roads within the contract. It was agreed that some language could be added to allow the decision of holiday lane closures be discussed at the preconstruction conference and roads be identified at that time when the extended closures would apply. Some roads may be better suited for paving during holiday periods such as roads close to schools etc. Todd will coordinate and handle drafting language.

DOT inspectors on site

Contractors and Resident Construction Engineers should coordinate and communicate the work schedule so that SCDOT inspectors can be scheduled to monitor contractor's work. Some contractors have experienced non-payment of some work items because DOT inspector was not on site at the time of installation. Contractors should communicate their schedules at least 24 hours in advance to allow for RCE to coordinate his inspection staff. If inspector does not show up, contractor should notify the RCE prior to beginning work. On weekend work, contractor should provide the RCE with notification by Thursday noon that work is planned for the weekend.

60 day notice for CPS minimum score projects

Projects with a minimum contractor performance score should have a 60 day ad due to the fact that most of these projects are critical or complex in nature. Project Development subcommittee agreed to incorporate the 60 day ad into their process. Some projects have been advertised with a minimum cps score with the regular 30 advertisement. Todd will check and see if this can be incorporated into the letting process.

Borrow Material for Shoulders clarification

Interpretation of specification has been inconsistent among districts. There may be some conflicting information in the specification for excavation for widening of shoulders and material to be used on shoulders. Select material for shoulders should be included as a bid item if different material is to be used on the shoulder for grassing in lieu of the material excavated for widening. Todd will review and provide recommendations.

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Next Meeting: June 13, 2012