



CAGC/SCDOT Joint Committee

January 10, 2024

SCDOT HQ – 955 Park St

Agenda

9:30 A.M. Contractors/10:30 A.M. Joint

INTRODUCTIONS

See attached

OLD BUSINESS

- **Spec Book Review Update**

Division 100 meeting was last week. Outside of division 100, everything else is basically ready to go. We are still working with FHWA to finalize their comments and blessing. After last week's meeting, SCDOT has sent back comments on certain sections of division 100 to AGC. We worked through most of the sticking points. SCDOT still owes AGC the section that SCDOT agreed to revise in that meeting. Target date is now July 2024. Secretary Hall apologized to the industry for the tone of the meeting last week being a little over the top.

NEW BUSINESS

- **Safety Topic**

Kenny Eargle from SCDOT Safety office talked about overhead power lines. He urged contractors to remind their employees about safety around power lines. Injuries associated with power lines can be burns, falling, traumatic brain injuries, and even death. Safety tips to follow include:

- If you see someone touching a power line, don't touch them. Call 911.
- Never touch a power line with hands or any conductive object.
- Never touch anything that is touching a power line like ladders, equipment, etc.
- Keep a safe distance from power lines.
- In wet areas, make sure no power lines are laying on the ground.
- Always wear your personal protective equipment when working around power lines.

- **New 2024 Specs** – Applicable to the January 2024 letting

Buy America – Updated the list of construction materials to include fiber optic cable, optical fiber, and engineered wood. Still some outstanding interpretations potentially with some de minimis value and whether or not it applies to just construction material or how it applies to the entire Buy America aspect. Right now it only applies to iron and steel.

CMRB – Updated the sampling requirements to represent the road. Added a word “deficient” to the average job thickness. Caught an error from a previous update. This error is in respect to the optimum moisture being within plus or minus 2%. That was taken out by mistake. Until it can be added back in on the next revision, it will be added as a supplemental specification in the contracts.

MSE Wall – The only change was a designation that changed from 713 to 713.1.

Drill Piles Foundations – This is a new spec. This was pulled from the specification book to be kept as a supplemental specification. It needs to be treated as an overhaul on this spec.

There are a lot to be expected in July to fall in line with the new specification book. The January revision will show up contractually in July.

- **CCR Phase 3 Update** – Phase 3 was cancelled in October 2023 due to utility concerns. SCDOT is looking at how to rephrase this work to similar to how phase 1 and phase 2 are being done as well as pushing out design build projects of smaller magnitude. Bush River Interchange and West will be a design build to include the bridges over CSX and Saluda River. Harbison and West will be a design build project as well as potentially I-126/I-26 system interchange. While all of this is all going on, SCDOT is still looking at the utility concerns in and around the I-26/I-20 system interchange. So right now it is looking like 3 or 4 phases of smaller design build projects before the last phase. We are also looking at 2 to 5 bid build packages road to get ahead of the utility concerns on that last phase. The original goal was to finish the entire project by 2030; however, it is now looking more like 2033.

- **Letting Outlook**

Alternative Delivery – Several projects coming in the upcoming lettings to include:

- Scout
- Wall Improvement on 85/385 Interchange
- 2 Bridge Packages (Goal is to do 2-3 packages per year)
- I-95 over Lake Marion
- Lowcountry Corridor East

Preconstruction – Several projects coming in the upcoming lettings to include:

Interstates

- I-26 MP125-136 in February Letting
- I-95 MP 0-8 by the end of the calendar year

Safety

- 16 safety projects
- 9 signal projects
- 6 pavement marking projects
- 6 intersection improvements projects

Bridges – Several projects coming in the upcoming lettings to include:

- 35 Bridge Repair Projects in Districts 1,2,3,4, and 7
- 28 Bridge Replacement Projects in Districts 3, 4, and 5

Pavements

- February - Rehab - \$143 million for 212 miles
Reconstruction - \$25 million for 31 miles
- March - Rehab - \$150 million for 225 miles
Reconstruction - \$83 million for 102 miles
- April – Rehab - \$45 million for 84 miles
Reconstruction - \$32 million for 48 miles

Budgets have not changed so if the cost of paving goes up, mileage will go down.

- **CMRB Update** – Robbie thanked everyone for their work in helping clean up the books. Roughly projects completion on time is 85%. The number of projects with LD came down by 2%.

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

1. **Road Subcommittee** - Did Not Meet
2. **Bridge Subcommittee** - Did Not Meet
3. **Alternative Delivery Subcommittee** – Discussed insurance requirements and unit prices on erosion control on design build projects.
4. **Supplier Subcommittee** - Did Not Meet

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