



CAGC/SCDOT Joint Committee Meeting

July 10, 2025

9:30 a.m. Contractors

11:00 a.m. Joint Meeting

SCDOT Room 306 – HQ Columbia

AGENDA

I. CALL TO ORDER

Introductions

See attached

II. OLD BUSINESS

Update Blue Light Scheduling App

Deployment of the statewide law-enforcement scheduling system is targeted for late 2024, following additional training and resolution of trial-phase issues. Integration of maintenance operations remains in development.

III. NEW BUSINESS

A. Safety Topic

SCDOT is open to piloting **orange pavement markings** in work zones pending FHWA approval. Additional safety reminders were shared regarding heat exposure and crew protection.

B. Status Blue Light Trailer Program

Deployment is scheduled to begin next week, with full placement anticipated by the end of the month. Trailers will collect speed and GPS data, which will feed into Traffic Engineering for safety analysis. Contractors were reminded not to relocate or modify trailers without DPS coordination.

C. Update on SCDOT claim process

The legal team outlined substantial updates to the construction-zone claims procedure to improve transparency, responsiveness, and coordination with contractors. Key improvements include clearer timelines, formal notice requirements, and a structured appeals process handled by Chief Counsel. A near-final draft is nearly complete and will be circulated for final review.

D. Spec Schedule July vs January

Several spec updates originally expected for July were pushed to the **August letting** due to FHWA review timelines. Broader efforts are underway to streamline the annual spec-update cycle with clearer internal deadlines.

E. E-Ticketing Update

Updated e-ticketing requirements will go live with the August letting

F. Subcommittee Reports

Design-Build Program Updates

Numerous major interstate and bridge projects are in procurement or preparation, including I-95 Lake Marion and the I-20 emergency replacement work. SCDOT continues to refine contract commitments, risk allocation for differing site conditions, and insurance requirements. Future planning includes larger consolidated bridge packages.

Roadway Subcommittee Items

Topics included evaluation of digital site boxes for required FHWA postings, mobilization payment requirements for subcontractors, clarifying retainage release practices, improving utility relocation coordination, and joint-patching on phased MOT projects to reduce claims risk.

Bridge Subcommittee Update

Discussion centered on workload balancing, maintenance coordination, and design standardization topics such as drilled-shaft pile heads in seawalls.

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