

Attendees:

ODOT: Naveen Chandra, Frannie Brindle, Michael Cobb, Steve Cooley, Wynnette Gentemann, Patti Gottfried, Jeff Gower, Jill Miller, Ron Reisdorf and Karen Scott

OBDP: Bill Barnhart

FHWA: Chris Bucher

Industry: Larry Gescher, Tim Hendrix, Ric Miller, Dave Mingo, John Rakowitz and Maurice Rahming

Asbestos Testing, Jeff Gower

Jeff reported the concrete boiler plate special, in regards to the asbestos concrete pipe testing issue, has been removed from the standard special provisions and should not appear in any projects. A revision is being developed and will be reviewed with Industry for input.

DBE Update and Form Demonstration, Jill Miller, Patti Gottfried

Jill Miller and Patti Gottfried reviewed the updated DBE Utilization forms with the Industry group. The form was updated at the request of industry.

1. DBE Commitment Certification and Utilization Form - Part I: The Office of Civil Rights will complete the % Goal Participation % and DBE Amount Column.

- Project Name, Bid Opening Date and name of Contractor must be entered at top of form or will be rejected.
- Contractor must still complete if the goal is 0 or greater.



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Jeff will work with Wynnette Gentemann to address the below Industry suggestions:

- Automatically calculate the DBE amount on the screen so contractor can view
- Remove the bidder's authorized representative digital signature - it is redundant to enter again as it is on a previous page.
- Add a drop down in the capacity box for choosing Supplier %.

2. Sub Contractor Solicitation and Utilization Report - this form (734-2721) incorporates and replaces previous DBE and MWESB subcontractor/supplier solicitation and Utilization forms (734-2533 and 731-0516). The previous forms are obsolete and will not be accepted. Industry requests the new form be titled Subcontractor/Supplier Solicitation and Utilization Report. The question was raised whether or not this form is required by our contract documents. Jeff will work with the Office of Civil Rights to better define what is required on this form.



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3. Summary Report of Sub Contractors Paid Report – This form is now required for all current and future contracts.



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The above forms are listed on the OCR web site www.oregon.gov/odot/cs/civilrights/ under FORMS. An implementation plan for the changes to the DBE Specification is currently being developed and will be reported back to the group upon completion for input.

Containment Specification, Frannie Brindle

Frannie Brindle, Natural Resources Unit Manager joined the group to clarify an extension request must be submitted in order to work in coffer dams when outside the in-water work window. In discussing the coffer dam issue with the Oregon Fish and Wildlife, the request will be accepted if run-off and leakage is taken care of and addressed in the permit. This can make it difficult to get the variance prior to a bid in order to accurately bid a project. Frannie will be working to better define the performance standards for new programmatic permits. She will return to solicit Industry participation when they begin formal discussion on the topic.

Region Construction Advisor Update, Jeff Gower

Industry requested an update on the progress of including the Region Construction Advisor and role in the bid documentation and contract. The agency feels this is not an appropriate place to include the information. Currently it is reviewed by Project Managers in the preconstruction meeting. In an effort to make it more accessible to contractors it was decided and agreed to post it on the Construction web site located at: <http://www.oregon.gov/ODOT/HWY/CONSTRUCTION/> .

ODOT / AGC Public Contracting Annual Meeting

Jeff confirmed with the group that the Public Contracting Annual Meeting will take place Friday, February 5, 2010 from 9:00am-4:00pm at the Salem Conference Center. Jeff requested ideas for agenda items so he may begin drafting the agenda.

Topics Suggested:

- Hydro Acoustic Monitoring, Frannie Brindle
- FHWA, Chris Bucher
- OCR Disparity Study/DBE, Michael Cobb
- Major Projects (CMGC - talk about scope)
 - Columbia River Crossing
 - Willamette River Bridge (Naveen says too early to discuss)
 - Gorge
 - Ear marked projects
- OBDP
- HB 2001, Hal Gaard

Next Meeting December 4, 2009.

Jeff reminded the group that the November 27 and December 25 Industry Leadership meeting has been cancelled and combined into one meeting Friday, December 4, 2009.

NOA:

Tim Hendrix requested clarification for EEO reports project by project versus geographic (area-wide) regions. Jeff will invite Angela Ramos to attend the December 5th meeting to answer questions.

Larry Gescher requested status on Design files for GPS equipment and subcontractors. Jeff reported Ron Singh is currently building a draft specification on GPS equipment. Industry communicated it wants to be involved in the writing of the Specification. Jeff will invite Ron to attend the December 4th meeting to collect input from industry.

Frannie Brindle communicated she is working on a research project with Portland State University to collect Hydro Acoustic Data. The hope is to use the person from the research project to help take audio data, inspect and guide further agency projects.

Jeff also reported the agency had record contractor payments in September. Currently we paid out over \$101 million for September compared to the previous record of \$77 million.

2009 ODOT Industry Leadership Meeting Schedule

Typically these meetings are held on the fourth Friday of the month, with some months adjusted due to holiday and vacation schedules.

January 23

February 6 (Annual Meeting)

March 13 (Rescheduled from March 27 due to Spring Break)

April 24

May 22

June 26

July 24

August 28

September 25

October 23

December 4 (November combined with December due to holidays)

All meetings take place from 9:00 to 11:00am in the ODOT Materials Lab Large Conference Room, 800 Airport Rd SE, Salem, 503-986-3000.