

ACEC/ITD Liaison Committee

Agenda

February 12, 2019

Old Business

1. DCG meeting feedback from November 5, 2018

Will ITD hold another Design Construction group meeting in 2019?

2. WAQTC certifications/training and reciprocity requirements

Bryan Foote to give an update on the sub-committee meeting from January 10, 2019. The committee hopes to develop recommendations on reciprocity between states, consider NICEET reciprocity? Add the more training through ACEC.

3. DBE

Update on ITD's goals for DBE's for 2018 goals. How much has consulting and construction contributed? How are we doing? Is ITD seeing increase in engineering firms becoming a DBE?

4. Overhead rates/fixed fee

ITD is considering applying the fixed fee to the labor portion of the budget, before the overhead multiplier is applied, as they view this as being fairer to low overhead firms. ITD indicated that it is something they are looking at, but they have not decided upon a direction. ACEC would like to understand why this is being considered as ACEC membership has not raised a concern. ACEC is concerned it could incentivize the inflation of salaries. ITD to give an update.

New Business:

- 1. QBS concern** of Bidding of Engineering Services. A recent construction package (US-95, Goff Bridge) included the design and construct asphalt pavement. QBS Council reached out to ITD. ITD to provide an update – Paul
- 2. Unit Bid Price List Format** - Ted Mason
- Adding **Additional Services** to contract to take care unforeseen scope changes – Bill
- Phase V Reports** – Mike Santi
- Can the limit requiring **ITD Board approval of engineering services contracts over \$1M** be increased or pre-approved prior to negotiations to assist with a timely NTP. – Jim
- 6. Consultant Personnel Availability (RFPs)** – Mike Cram

7. Will the **Materials Manual** be updated along with the **Roadway Manual** by July 2019. There are **discrepancies** between the two. Rex to provide example.
8. **Consultant Term Agreement Tracking** – Mike Cram
9. **Specifications update** for 2019 - Rex

Parking Lot

1. **Update on new ITD-771 and 2359 Forms.**

No Change

2. **Update to the design manual to comply with current project timelines and FHWA guidance.**

Dave Statkus is taking it on. They hope to have the update by July 2019.

3. **New CADD Standards.**

No Change.

10. **Lump sum contracting**

Some states do a significant amount of lump sum contracting. Advantages include simplicity in invoicing and review of invoices, consultants also are incentivized to regulate scope creep. Ideal projects would need a well-defined scope. ITD indicated they would have a lot of administrative work before they would be able to do this. ITD has several working groups focusing on other initiatives, and they don't currently have time to make this happen. This item will move to the parking lot for later consideration.

11. **Overhead rates/fixed fee.** Safe Harbor rates – ITD is watching FHWA's proposed implementation of a Safe Harbor indirect cost rate.