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# PROPOSAL AND CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

## FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF

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Bank Stabilization on SR 37 over Oakohay Creek (Bridge No. 4.3), known as Federal Aid Project No. STBG-0211-00(017) / 108817301 in Covington County.

Project Completion: 52 Working Days

## (STATE DELEGATED)

## NOTICE

## BIDDERS MUST COMPLETE AN ONLINE REQUEST FOR PERMISSION TO BID THIS PROJECT.

Electronic addendum updates will be posted on www.gomdot.com

# **SECTION 900**

OF THE CURRENT 2017 STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS FOR ROAD AND BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI

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## **SECTION 901 - ADVERTISEMENT**

Electronic bids will be received by the Mississippi Transportation Commission at <u>10:00 o'clock</u> <u>A.M., Tuesday, February 25, 2025</u>, from the Bid Express Service and shortly thereafter publicly read on the Sixth Floor for:

Bank Stabilization on SR 37 over Oakohay Creek (Bridge No. 4.3), known as Federal Aid Project No. STBG-0211-00(017) / 108817301 in Covington County.

The attention of bidders is directed to the Contract Provisions governing selection and employment of labor. Minimum wage rates have been predetermined by the Secretary of Labor and are subject to Public Law 87-581, Work Hours Act of 1962, as set forth in the Contract Provisions.

The Mississippi Department of Transportation hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively insure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, age, disability, religion or national origin in consideration for an award.

# The award of this contract will be contingent upon the Contractor satisfying the DBE requirements.

Contractors may request permission to bid online at <u>http://shop.mdot.ms.gov</u> at no cost. Upon approval, Contractors shall be eligible to submit a bid using Bid Express at <u>http://bidx.com</u>. Specimen proposals may be viewed and downloaded online at no cost at <u>http://mdot.ms.gov</u> or purchased online at <u>http://shop.mdot.ms.gov</u> at a cost of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) per proposal plus a small convenience fee. <u>Cash or checks will not be accepted as payment</u>.

Plans must be purchased online at <<u>https://shop.mdot.ms.gov</u>>. Costs of plans will be on a per sheet basis plus a small convenience fee. If you have any questions, you can contact the MDOT Plans Print Shop at (601) 359-7460, or e-mail at plans@mdot.state.ms.us. Plans will be shipped upon receipt of payment. <u>Cash or checks will not be accepted as payment</u>.

Bid bond, signed or countersigned by a Mississippi Agent or Qualified Nonresident Agent, with Power of Attorney attached, a Cashier's check or Certified Check for five (5%) percent of bid, payable to STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, must accompany each proposal.

The attention of bidders is directed to the provisions of Subsection 102.07 pertaining to irregular proposals and rejection of bids.

BRAD WHITE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

## SUPPLEMENT TO NOTICE TO BIDDERS NO. 1

DATE: 06/08/2021

## **SUBJECT:** Governing Specifications

Change the web address at the end of the first paragraph to the following.

https://shop.mdot.ms.gov/default.aspx?StoreIndex=1

## **SECTION 904 - NOTICE TO BIDDERS NO. 1**

CODE: (IS)

DATE: 03/01/2017

## **SUBJECT:** Governing Specifications

The current (2017) Edition of the Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction adopted by the Mississippi Transportation Commission is made a part hereof fully and completely as if it were attached hereto, except where superseded by special provisions, or amended by revisions of the Specifications contained within this proposal. Copies of the specification book may be purchased from the MDOT Construction Division, or online at shopmdot/default.aspx?StoreIndex=1.

A reference in any contract document to controlling requirements in another portion of the contract documents shall be understood to apply equally to any revision or amendment thereof included in the contract.

In the event the plans or proposal contain references to the 2004 Edition of the Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction, it is to be understood that such references shall mean the comparable provisions of the 2017 Edition of the Standard Specifications.

## **SECTION 904 - NOTICE TO BIDDERS NO. 2**

CODE: (IS)

DATE: 03/01/2017

## SUBJECT: Status of Right-of-Way

Although it is desirable to have acquired all rights-of-way and completed all railroad agreements, utility adjustments and work to be performed by others prior to receiving bids, sometimes it is not considered to be in the public interest to wait until each and every such clearance has been obtained. The bidder is hereby advised of possible unacquired rights-of-way, relocates, railroad agreements and utilities adjustments which have not been completed.

The status of right-of-way acquisition, utility adjustments, encroachments, potentially contaminated sites, railroad facilities, improvements, and asbestos contamination are set forth in the following attachments.

In the event right of entry is not available to <u>ALL</u> parcels of right-of-way and/or all work that is to be accomplished by others on the date set forth in the contract for the Notice to Proceed is not complete, the Department will issue a restricted Notice to Proceed.

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## STATUS OF RIGHT-OF-WAY STBG-0211-00(017) 108817/301000 Covington County

All rights of way and legal rights of entry have been acquired, except:

None

## POTENTIALLY CONTAMINATED SITES STATUS REPORT

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### STBG-0211-00(017), 108817/301000

Covington County

August 5, 2024

THERE IS NO RIGHT OF WAY REQUIRED FOR THIS PROJECT. NO INITIAL SITE ASSESSMENT WILL BE PERFORMED. IF CONTAMINATION ON EXISTING RIGHT OF WAY IS DISCOVERED, IT WILL BE HANDLED BY THE DEPARTMENT.

## ASBESTOS ABATEMENT STATUS REPORT

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#### STBG-0211-00(017), 108817/301000

**Covington County** 

August 5, 2024

Reference is made to notices to bidders entitled "Asbestos National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP)" and "Removal of Obstructions".

The following pertinent information is furnished concerning asbestos-containing materials (ACMs), if any, found in buildings to be removed by the Contractor.

There is no Right of Way required for this project. There are no buildings to be removed by the contractor.



## Inter-Departmental Memorandum

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TO: Mr. Don Drake

DATE: 7/30/24

Right-of-Way Division (84-01)

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SUBJECT OR PROJECT NO: 108817/301000 STBG-0211-00(017)

FROM: Lance Cutrer

District Seven Preconstruction (17-01)

INFORMATION COPY TO:

COUNTY: Covington

**Preconstruction File** 

**Central File** 

District Seven (Mr. White & Mr.

Whittington)

Right of Way Division (Ms. Brock)

Construction Division (Mr. Zivic)

1. STATUS OF RIGHT OF WAY: No ROW required.

- 2. RIGHT OF WAY CLEARANCE: There are no encroachments.
- 3. STATUS OF AFFECTED RAILROAD OPERATING FACILITIES: None affected.
- 4. STATUS OF REQUIRED UTILITY RELOCATIONS: None required
- 5. STATUS OF CONSTRUCTION AGREEMENT: None required.

If any other information is required, please advise.



# Inter-Departmental Memorandum

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TO: Mr. Lance Cutrer, PE

DATE: July 30, 2024

SUBJECT OR PROJECT NO: STBG-0211-00(017) / 108817

COUNTY: Covington

FROM: Jordan Whittington, PE

INFORMATION COPY TO: Project File

The above captioned project has been inspected and no encroachments were found to be located within the right of way limits of the project.

If any other information is required, please adivse.

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Project Number	108817/301000				
	Covington				
Project Description	SR 37 over Oakohay Creek				
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None					
		Utilities	Utilities to remain		
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None					
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## IMPROVEMENTS STATUS REPORT

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Improvements to be included in Notice to Bidders to be removed by the Construction Contractor

FMS Construction Project No: 108817-301000 FMS ROW Project No:

External ROW No: STBG-0211-00(017)

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Parcel No: Station No: Property Owner: Description/Pictures:

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## **SECTION 904 - NOTICE TO BIDDERS NO. 3**

CODE: (SP)

DATE: 01/17/2017

## SUBJECT: Final Clean-Up

Immediately prior to final inspection for release of maintenance, the Contractor shall pick up, load, transport and properly dispose of all litter from the entire highway right-of-way that is within the termini of the project.

Litter shall include, but not be limited to, solid wastes such a glass, paper products, tires, wood products, metal, synthetic materials and other miscellaneous debris.

Litter removal is considered incidental to other items of work and will not be measured for separate payment.

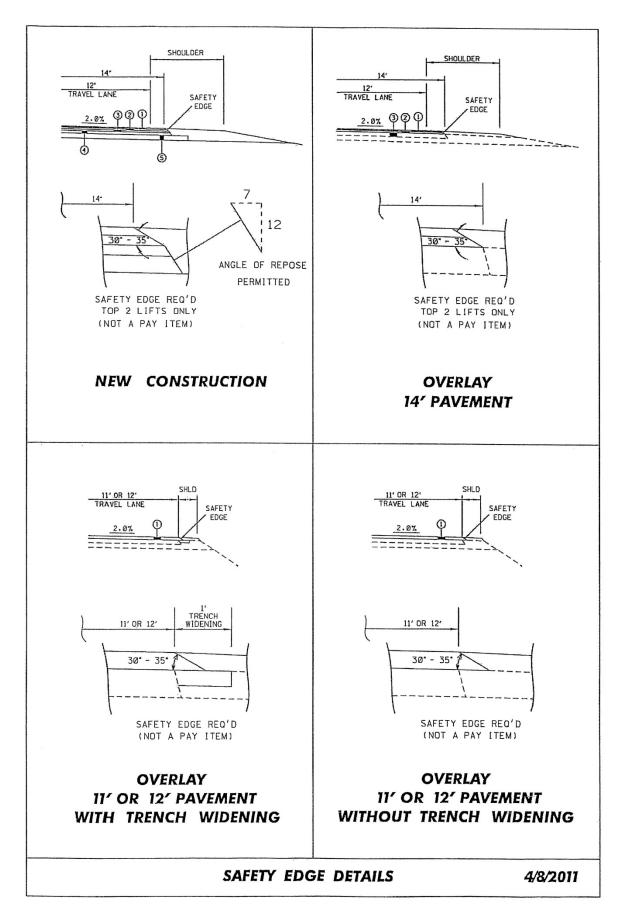
#### **SECTION 904 - NOTICE TO BIDDERS NO. 13**

CODE: (IS)

DATE: 03/01/2017

#### **SUBJECT:** Safety Edge

Bidders are hereby advised that the Shoulder Wedge (Safety Edge) specified in Section 401, Asphalt Pavements, shall only apply to the top two (2) lifts of asphalt. Open Graded Friction Courses (OGFC) are not to be considered a lift as it pertains to safety edge. Attached is a drawing showing the safety edge. Note that the shoulder dimensions in the bottom two drawings will be less than three feet (3').



## **SECTION 904 - NOTICE TO BIDDERS NO. 296**

CODE: (SP)

DATE: 07/25/2017

## SUBJECT: Reduced Speed Limit Signs

Bidders are advised that when the plans or contract documents require the speed limit on a project to be reduced, the Contractor shall begin work within 48 hours of installing the reduced speed limit signs. Should the Contractor not start work or have no plans to start work within 48 hours of installing the signs, the reduced speed limit signs shall be covered and existing speed limit signs uncovered.

### **SECTION 904 - NOTICE TO BIDDERS NO. 445**

CODE: (SP)

DATE: 10/10/2017

## SUBJECT: Mississippi Agent or Qualified Nonresident Agent

Bidders are hereby advised of the requirements of Subsections 102.08, 103.05.2, and 107.14.2.1 of the *2017 Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction* as it refers to bonding agents. Proposal guaranties, bonds, and liability insurance policies must be signed by a **Mississippi Agent or Qualified Nonresident Agent**.

## **SECTION 904 - NOTICE TO BIDDERS NO. 516**

CODE: (IS)

## DATE: 11/28/2017

## SUBJECT: Errata and Modifications to the 2017 Standard Specifications

<u>Page</u>	Subsection	Change
16	102.06	In the seventh full paragraph, change "Engineer" to "Director."
33	105.05.1	In the sixth sentence, change "Contract Administration Engineer" to "Contract Administration Director."
34	105.05.2.1	In subparagraph 2, change "SWPPP, ECP" to "SWPPP and the ECP"
35	105.05.2.2	In subparagraphs 2, add " and" to the end of the sentence. In subparagraph 3, remove ", and" and add ".".
90	109.04.2	In the last paragraph of subparagraph (a), place a period "." at the end of the sentence.
93	109.04.2	In the last paragraph of subparagraph (g), place a period "." at the end of the sentence. Also, in the first paragraph of subparagraph (h), place a period "." at the end of the sentence.
97	109.07	Under ADJUSTMENT CODE, subparagraph (A1), change "HMA mixture" to "Asphalt mixtures."
98	109.11	In the third sentence, change "Engineer" to "Director."
219	308.04	In the last sentence of the last paragraph, change "Contractor's decision" to "Engineer's decision."
300	405.02.5.9	In the first sentence of the second paragraph, change "Hot Mix Asphalt" to "Asphalt Mixtures."
502	630.01.1	In the first paragraph, change " <u>AASHTO</u> " to "AASHTO's <u>LRFD</u> ".
636	646.05	Change "each" to "per each" for the pay item units of payment.
640	656.02.6.2	In item 7), change "down stream" to "downstream".
688	630.03.2	Change the subsection number from "630.03.2" to "680.03.2."

725	702.08.3	In the second sentence of the first paragraph, change "hot-mix" to "asphalt."
954	804.02.13.1.6	In the definition for "M" in the % Reduction formulas, change "paragraph 7.3" to "paragraph 5.3."

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## **SECTION 904 - NOTICE TO BIDDERS NO. 757**

CODE: (IS)

### DATE: 03/20/2018

#### **SUBJECT:** Additional Erosion Control Requirements

Bidders are hereby advised of the following requirements that relate to erosion control activities on the project.

THE MAXIMUM TOTAL ACREAGE THAT CAN BE DISTURBED, AT ONE TIME, ON THE PROJECT IS NINETEEN (19) ACRES. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL BE REQUIRED TO STABILIZE DISTURBED AREAS PRIOR TO OPENING UP ADDITIONAL SECTIONS OF THE PROJECT. STABILIZED SHALL BE WHEN THE DISTURBED AREA MEETS ONE OF THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

- THE AREA HAS BEEN SEEDED, EITHER TEMPORARY OR PERMANENT, AND MULCHED ACCORDING TO THE SPECIFICATIONS, OR
- A CRUSHED STONE COURSE OR A LIFT OF ASPHALT PAVEMENT HAS BEEN PLACED, OR
- THE AREA HAS BEEN CHEMICALLY TREATED USING PORTLAND CEMENT OR LIME-FLY ASH, AND SEALED.

# DISTURBED AREAS INCLUDE THE ROADBED, SLOPES AND REMAINING AREA OUT TO THE ROW LINE.

<u>Clearing and Grubbing:</u> Prior to beginning any clearing and grubbing operations on the project, controls shall be in place to address areas such as drainage structures, wetlands, streams, steep slopes and any other sensitive areas in accordance with the approved Erosion Control Plan or as directed by the Engineer. Clearing and grubbing should be limited to the minimum area necessary to construct the project. Grubbing operations should be minimized in areas outside the construction limits and stumps should be cut off flush with the existing ground elevations. A buffer area of at least fifteen (15) feet or as shown in the Plans shall be in place adjacent to the right-of-way line. The buffer area can either be the existing vegetation that is left undisturbed or re-established by planting new vegetation if clearing and grubbing was required. As applicable, see the Riparian Buffer Erosion Control sheet(s) in the Plans for clearing and grubbing limits adjacent to stream banks.

<u>Unclassified Excavation</u>: Cut sections shall be graded in accordance with the typical sections and plan grades. Permanent erosion control BMP's should be placed as soon as possible after the cut material has been moved. Fill sections that are completed shall have permanent erosion control BMP's placed. Fill sections that are not completed shall be either permanently or temporarily seeded until additional material is made available to complete these sections. All unclassified excavation on the project is be required to be moved prior to incorporating any borrow excavation. The Contractor may have to stockpile unclassified excavation in order to comply with the nineteen (19) acre requirement. No additional compensation will be made for stockpiling operations.

Disturbed areas that remain inactive for a period of more than fourteen (14) days shall be temporary grassed and mulched. Temporary grassing and mulching shall only be paid one time for a given area.

## **SECTION 904 - NOTICE TO BIDDERS NO. 1225**

CODE: (SP)

DATE: 11/13/2018

## **SUBJECT:** Early Notice to Proceed

Bidders are advised that if an early notice to proceed is allowed by the Department and the Contractor experiences problems or delays between the early notice to proceed date and the original notice to proceed date, this shall not be justification for any monetary compensation or an extension of contract time.

### **SECTION 904 - NOTICE TO BIDDERS NO. 1226**

CODE: (IS)

#### DATE: 11/16/2018

#### SUBJECT: Material Storage Under Bridges

Bidders are advised that Subsection 106.08 of the Standard Specifications allows the Contractor to store materials and equipment on portions of the right-of-way. However, the Contractor <u>will</u> <u>not</u> be allowed to store or stockpile materials under bridges without written permission from the Project Engineer. The Contractor shall submit a detailed request of all proposed materials to be stored under bridges to the Engineer a minimum of 14 calendar days prior to anticipated storage. This detail shall include, but not limited to, bridge location, material type, material quantity, and duration of storage. The Project Engineer and any other needed Division will review this information and determine whether to grant approval. The Contractor shall not store any material under any bridge without written approval from the Project Engineer.

### **SECTION 904 - NOTICE TO BIDDERS NO. 1241**

CODE: (IS)

DATE: 11/27/2018

### SUBJECT: Fuel and Material Adjustments

Bidder's attention is brought to the last paragraph of Subsection 109.07 of the Standard Specifications which states that no fuel or material adjustment will be made after the completion of contract time. Any fuels consumed or materials incorporated into the work during the monthly estimate period falling wholly after the expiration of contract time will not be subject a fuel or material adjustment.

#### **SECTION 904 - NOTICE TO BIDDERS NO. 1434**

CODE: (IS)

DATE: 03/06/2019

### **SUBJECT:** Erosion Control Plan

Bidders are advised that the Best Management Practices (BMPs) shown at sensitive areas on the Erosion Control Sheets in the Plans shall be shown on the Contractor's Erosion Control Plan and shall be used in the field as indicated on the original plans sheets. Should the installation of these BMPs produce an unsatisfactory result, the Contractor shall submit to the Engineer alternate BMPs for approval. Once approved, the Contractor shall revise the Contractor's Erosion Control Plan to include these changes.

## **SECTION 904 - NOTICE TO BIDDERS NO. 1878**

## DATE: 08/27/2019

## SUBJECT: Storm Water Discharge Associated with Construction Activity $(\geq 1 \text{ and } < 5 \text{ Acres})$

Construction Storm Water General NPDES Permit MSR 15 to discharge storm water associated with construction activity is required. This project is granted permission to discharge treated storm water into State waters. Copies of said permit and Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) are on file with the Department.

Prior to the execution of the contract, the successful bidder shall execute and deliver to the Executive Director an original signed copy of the completed Prime Contractor Certification (Form No. 1).

Failure of the bidder to execute and file the completed Prime Contractor Certification (Form No. 1) shall be just cause for the cancellation of the award.

The executed Prime Contractor Certification (Form No. 1) shall be prima facie evidence that the bidder has examined the permit, is satisfied as to the terms and conditions contained therein, and that the bidder has the primary responsibility for meeting all permit terms and conditions including, but not limited to, the inspection and reporting requirements of the permit. For this project, the Contractor shall furnish, set up and read, as needed, an on-site rain gauge.

The Contractor must furnish the Project Engineer a completed copy of the Small Construction Notice of Intent (SCNOI) along with the Contractor's Erosion Control Plan.

The Contractor shall make inspections in accordance with condition No. S-4, Page 20, and shall furnish the Project Engineer with the results of each weekly inspection as soon as possible following the date of inspection. The weekly inspections must be documented monthly on the Inspection and Certification Form, a copy of which is provided. The Contractor's representative and the Project Engineer shall jointly review and discuss the results of the inspection so that corrective action can be taken. The Project Engineer shall retain copies of the inspection reports.

The Engineer will have the authority to suspend all work and/or withhold payments for failure of the Contractor to carry out provisions of MDEQ's Storm Water Construction General Permit, the erosion control plan, updates to the erosion control plan, and /or proper maintenance of the BMPs.

Securing a permit (s) for storm water discharge associated with the Contractor's activity on any other regulated area the Contractor occupies, shall be the responsibility of the Contractor.

## **SECTION 904 - NOTICE TO BIDDERS NO. 2172**

CODE: (SP)

DATE: 01/06/2020

## **SUBJECT:** App for Storm Water Reports

Bidders are advised that the Department has created a smart phone App for completing and submitting storm water reports required on this project. The Contractor who monitors storm water activities and completes storm water reports will be required to download and use this App when completing and submitting storm water reports. The reports will then be readily available to all persons who need access to the forms. The App is free and is available for downloading at the following location.

https://extacctmgmt.mdot.state.ms.us/

#### **SECTION 904 - NOTICE TO BIDDERS NO. 2206**

CODE: (IS)

#### **DATE:** 01/14/2020

#### SUBJECT: MASH Compliant Devices

Bidders are hereby advised that compliance associated with the requirements of meeting either the National Cooperative Highway Research Program (NCHRP) Report 350 or the Manual for Assessing Safety Hardware (MASH) for installations of certain traffic control devices and permanent safety hardware devices (guardrails, guardrail terminals, permanent portable barriers, cast-in-place barriers, all other permanent longitudinal barriers, crash cushions, cable barriers, cable barrier terminals, bridge rails, bridge rail transitions, all other terminals, sign supports, and all other breakaway hardware) as listed throughout the Standard Specifications and/or the Standard Drawings, or both, is now replaced with the requirements of meeting the 2016 version of MASH after December 31, 2019. This change applies to new permanent installations and to full replacements of existing installations.

At the preconstruction conference or prior to starting any work on the project, the Contractor shall submit a letter stating that the traffic control devices and permanent safety hardware devices as outlined within the paragraph above that are to be used on the project are certified to meet MASH 2016.

When a MASH 2016-compliant device does not exist for the new permanent installations and/or full replacement installations of permanent safety hardware devices, as listed above, a MASH 2009-compliant or a NCHRP 350-compliant device may be proposed by the Contractor for the project. A written request for such instances must be submitted by the Contractor either at the preconstruction conference or prior to starting any work on the project. The Contractor shall submit the following items to the Project Engineer: (1) a detailed list of the proposed devices and locations thereof; and (2) certification letters indicating that the proposed devices are compliant with either MASH 2009 or NCHRP 350.

When a MASH 2016-compliant device does not exist for the temporary work zone traffic control devices (Category 1, Category 2, and Category 3 devices), a MASH 2009-compliant or a NCHRP 350-compliant device may be proposed by the Contractor for the project. Temporary work zone traffic control devices (Category 1, Category 2, and Category 3 devices) that are MASH 2009-compliant or NCHRP 350-compliant that have been in use prior to December 31, 2019, and that have a remaining service life may be proposed for use throughout their normal service life on the project by the Contractor. For either of these scenarios for temporary work zone traffic control devices, a written request must be submitted by the Contractor either at the preconstruction conference or prior to starting any work on the project. The Contractor shall submit the following items to the Project Engineer: (1) a detailed list of the proposed devices and locations thereof; and (2) certification letters indicating that the proposed devices are compliant with either MASH 2009 or NCHRP 350.

Work will only be allowed to proceed after the Department has granted written concurrence(s) with the proposed request(s) as listed above.

## **SECTION 904 - NOTICE TO BIDDERS NO. 2273**

CODE: (SP)

DATE: 02/12/2020

## SUBJECT: Mississippi Special Fuel Tax Law

Bidder's attention is brought to the second paragraph of Subsection 107.02 of the Standard Specifications which states that all Contractors and Subcontractors must comply with all requirements contained in the Mississippi Special Fuel Tax Law, Section 27-55-501, *et seq.* Attached are two Fact Sheets provided by the Mississippi Department of Revenue (MDOR) with additional information.



## Gasoline and Dyed Diesel Used for Non-Highway Purposes

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Mississippi provides a reduced rate for gasoline and dyed diesel used for non-highway purposes. The reduced rates are 6.44 cents per gallon and 5.75 cents per gallon of gasoline or dyed diesel. These fuels are generally taxed at 18 cents per gallon if for on road use.

### **Gasoline Used for Non-Highway Purposes**

You may be entitled to a refund of 11.56 cents per gallon (making this an equivalent to a tax rate of 6.44 cents per gallon) if you desire to purchase gasoline to be used off road. The gasoline must be used for agricultural, maritime, industrial, manufacturing, domestic or non-highway purposes only.

Examples of non-highway include gasoline used in boats, golf carts, machinery used for manufacturing or farm equipment used exclusively in plowing, planting or harvesting farm products.

#### **Refund Gasoline User**

The refund is based on the amount of gallons used. Before a refund is issued, you are required to...

- 1. Obtain a refund gasoline user's permit and a certificate for refund booklet from the Department of Revenue;
- 2. Have a storage tank marked "REFUND GASOLINE"; and,
- 3. Purchase the gasoline from someone who holds a refund gasoline dealer's permit.

No refund will be allowed for gasoline used in motor vehicles owned or operated by a government entity or used in Mississippi government contracts.

#### **Refund Gasoline Dealer**

You must obtain a refund gasoline dealer's permit from the Department of Revenue before selling refund gasoline. At no time should the gasoline be delivered to a tank that is not properly marked. The gasoline must be dyed a distinctive mahogany color at the time of delivery.

The Department of Revenue may waive the dye requirement if the dye may cause damage to the equipment. The refund gasoline user is required to obtain the waiver from the Department of Revenue.

#### **Dyed Diesel Used for Non-Highway Purposes**

Unlike gasoline, you are not required to apply for a refund if you desire to purchase dyed diesel to be used off road. Mississippi provides a reduced rate of 5.75 cents per gallon on dyed diesel used off road. Diesel used on road is subjected to 18 cents per gallon. Dyed diesel used in motor vehicles owned or operated by a government entity or used in Mississippi government contracts will be subjected to 18 cents per gallon.

#### Dyed Diesel Used on the Highway

Any person who purchases, receives, acquires or uses dyed diesel for highway use will be liable to pay 18 cents per gallon <u>and</u> subject to a penalty in the amount of \$1000.

#### **Identifying Dyed Diesel**

Revised March 2017

Storage facilities for dyed diesel must be plainly marked "NONHIGHWAY DIESEL FUEL" or "NONHIGHWAY KEROSENE". Retailers are also required to mark all pumps or dispensing equipment.





## **Special Fuel Used on Government Contracts**

## State and Local Government Contracts

Special fuel purchased, acquired or used in performing contracts with the State of Mississippi, counties, municipalities or any political subdivision is taxed at a rate of 18 cents per gallon. Special fuel includes but is not limited to the following:

- Dyed diesel fuel;
- Kerosene;
- Undyed diesel fuel; and,
- Fuel oil.

State and local government contracts include construction, reconstruction and maintenance or repairs of projects such as roads, bridges, water systems, sewer systems, buildings, drainage canals and recreational facilities. The Department of Revenue may require contractors to remit the excise tax directly to the state in lieu of paying the tax to a distributor.

#### **Special Fuel Direct Pay Permit**

Contractors that remit the excise tax to the state will be issued a Special Fuel Direct Pay Permit. This permit relieves the distributor from collecting the tax and requires the contractor to file a monthly special fuel return. The distributor should include the contractor's permit number on all invoices that are related to tax-free sales.

The contractor is required to furnish a surety or cash bond guaranteeing the payment of the excise tax prior to receiving the Special Fuel Direct Pay Permit. The Department of Revenue may accept a contractors tax bond if the bond covers the excise tax levied on special fuel.

#### **Special Fuel Distributors**

If the contractor does not have a Special Fuel Direct Pay Permit, distributors are required to collect the 18 cents excise tax and remit the tax to the Department of Revenue. The additional 12.25 cents levied on special fuel (excluding undyed diesel) should be reported on schedules 5F and 5G of the special fuel return.

#### **Environmental Protection Fee**

Special fuel distributors are required to collect the environmental protection fee even if the contractor has a Special Fuel Direct Pay Permit. The fee is levied at  $4/10^{\text{ths}}$  of a cent per gallon. The fee is suspended or reinstated when the trust fund has exceeded or fallen below the obligatory balance.

#### **Penalties**

Revised March 2017

Any person who knowingly and willfully purchases untaxed fuel for use in equipment utilized on a road or highway construction site in this state is guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, shall be fined not less than \$1,000 or more than \$100,000, or imprisoned in the county jail for not more than one year, or both.

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This fact sheet is intended to help you become more familiar with Mississippi tax laws and your rights and responsibilities under the laws. Nothing in this fact sheet supersedes, alters, or otherwise changes any provisions of the tax law, regulations, court decisions, or notices.

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Petroleum Tax Bureau P. O. Box 1033 Jackson, MS 39215-1033 Phone: (601) 923-7150

## **SECTION 904 - NOTICE TO BIDDERS NO. 2782**

CODE: (SP)

DATE: 8/13/2020

## **SUBJECT: DBE Pre-Bid Meeting**

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the Department not allowing visitors in the Administration Building at this time, the DBE Pre-Bid Meeting referenced on Page 5 of Notice to Bidders No. 2611 will be held by <u>video conference only</u>. The meeting will be held at 2:00 P.M. on the day preceding the date of the bid opening using Zoom video conferencing software. Anyone interested in participating can download Zoom and connect to the meeting at the below link.

https://zoom.us/j/5548736403?pwd=SDh5S2hQSE5pNG5FOEkzR3NsUnBYQT09

Password (if prompted): 272147

For those unable to participate via Zoom, the below teleconference number may be used instead.

1-888-227-7517 Conference Code: 404496

## SECTION 904 - NOTICE TO BIDDERS NO. 2954

CODE: (IS)

## DATE: 12/01/2020

## SUBJECT: Reflective Sheeting for Signs

Bidders are hereby advised that the retroreflective sign sheeting used for signs on this project shall be as listed below and shall meet the requirements of Subsection 721.06.

#### **Temporary Construction Signs**

Temporary traffic control (orange) sign sheeting shall be a minimum Type IX Fluorescent Orange sheeting as shown in Special Provision 907-721.

#### Permanent Signs

Permanent signs, except signs on traffic signal poles/mast arms, shall be as follows:

- Brown background sheeting on guide signs shall be a minimum Type VIII sheeting,
- Green and blue background sheeting on guide signs shall be a minimum Type IX sheeting, and
- All white, yellow, red, fluorescent yellow, and fluorescent yellow/green sheeting shall be Type XI sheeting.

## **SECTION 904 - NOTICE TO BIDDERS NO. 4113**

CODE: (SP)

DATE: 03/23/2022

## SUBJECT: Unique Entity ID (SAM) Requirement for Federal Funded Projects

Bidders are advised that the Prime Contractor must register and maintain a current registration in the System for Award Management (<u>http://sam.gov</u>) at all times during this project. Upon registration, the Contractor will be assigned a SAM Unique Entity ID.

Bidders are also advised that prior to the award of this contract, they <u>MUST</u> be registered, active, and have no active exclusions in the System for Award Management.

#### **SECTION 904 - NOTICE TO BIDDERS NO. 4699**

CODE: (SP)

DATE: 11/22/2022

### SUBJECT: Right-of-Way Plat

Bidders are advised that pay item 617-A: Right-of-Way Marker or 617-B: Permanent Easement Markers not only addresses the requirements for furnishing and placing right-of-way markers or permanent easement markers but also includes the preparation and submittal of a Final Right-of-Way Plat by a Licensed Professional Surveyor. Since the submittal of the plat is considered a part of the pay item and the pay item is not complete until the plat is received, contract time will not be suspended while waiting on the Contractor to submit the plat.

#### **SECTION 904 - NOTICE TO BIDDERS NO. 4702**

CODE: (SP)

DATE: 11/22/2022

#### SUBJECT: App for Traffic Control Reports

Bidders are advised that the Department has created a smart phone App for completing and submitting traffic control reports (Form CSD-762) required on this project. The Contractor who monitors traffic control activities and completes traffic control reports will be required to download and use this App when completing and submitting traffic control reports. The reports will then be readily available to all persons who need access to the forms. The App is free and is available for downloading at the following location.

https://extacctmgmt.mdot.state.ms.us/

#### SECTION 904 - NOTICE TO BIDDERS NO. 5551

CODE: (IS)

DATE: 12/06/2023

#### SUBJECT: Federal Bridge Formula

Bidders are hereby advised that the latest revision of Federal Highway Administration Publication No. FHWA-HOP-06-105, **BRIDGE FORMULA WEIGHTS**, dated August 2006, is made a part of this contract when applicable.

Prior to the preconstruction conference, the Contractor shall advise the Engineer, in writing, what materials, if any, will be delivered to the jobsite via Interstate route(s).

Copies of the **BRIDGE FORMULA WEIGHTS** publication may be obtained by contacting:

Federal Highway Administration 400 7<sup>th</sup> Street, SW Washington, DC 20590 (202) 366-2212

or

https://ops.fhwa.dot.gov/freight/publications/brdg\_frm\_wghts/

## SUPPLEMENT TO NOTICE TO BIDDERS NO. 5605

### DATE: 01/12/2024

The goal is <u>0</u> percent for the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise. All Bidders are required to submit Form OCR-481 for all DBEs. Bidders are advised to check the bid tabulation link for this project on the MDOT website at:

https://mdot.ms.gov/portal/current\_letting

Bid tabulations are usually posted by 3:00 pm on Letting Day.

## **SECTION 904 – NOTICE TO BIDDERS NO. 5605**

CODE: (IS)

DATE: 01/12/2024

SUBJECT: Disadvantaged Business Enterprises in Federal-Aid Highway Construction

## **DEFINITIONS**

For purposes of this provision, the following definitions will apply:

"DOT" means the United States Department of Transportation. "DBE" means disadvantaged business enterprise. "MDOT" means the Mississippi Department of Transportation. "DBE Program" means MDOT's DBE Program.

This Contract is subject to the "Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (Map-21)" and applicable requirements of 49 C.F.R. part 26. Portions of the Act are set forth in this Notice as applicable to compliance by the contractor and all of the Act, and MDOT's DBE Program, is incorporated by reference herein.

MDOT has developed a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program ("DBE Program") that is applicable to this Contract and is made a part thereof by reference.

Copies of the DBE Program Manual may be obtained from:

Office of Civil Rights Mississippi Department of Transportation P.O. Box 1850 Jackson, Mississippi 39215-1850

or can be found on MDOT's website at <u>www.mdot.ms.gov</u> under the Business Center under Civil Rights tab.

## **POLICY**

It is the policy of MDOT to provide a level playing field, to foster equal opportunity in all federally assisted contracts, to improve the flexibility of the DBE Program, to reduce the burdens on small businesses, and to achieve the amount of participation that would be obtained in a non-discriminatory marketplace. In doing so, it is the policy of MDOT that there will be no discrimination in the award and performance of federally assisted contracts on the basis of race, color, sex, or national origin.

## **DBE DIRECTORY**

A list of certified DBE contractors can be found on MDOT's website at <u>www.mdot.ms.gov</u> under the Business Center and Project Letting tab. The DBE firm must be certified at the time the project is let and approved by MDOT to count towards meeting the DBE goal.

## PRE-BID MEETING

A pre-bid meeting for monthly lettings will be held either in the Commission Room on the 1st floor of MDOT's Administration Building, 401 N. West St., Jackson, MS 39201, or via a teleconference source, at 2:00 p.m. on the Monday immediately preceding the fourth Tuesday. No pre-bid meeting is required for emergency lettings.

This meeting is to inform DBE firms of subcontracting and material supply opportunities. Attendance at this meeting is considered of prime importance in demonstrating good faith efforts to meet the contract goal.

## AWARD

Award of this Contract to the lowest bidder will be contingent upon the following conditions:

- 1. Concurrence with the Federal Highway Administration, when applicable.
- 2. All bidders must submit to the Office of Civil Rights Form OCR-481 no later than the 3rd business day after opening of the bids to satisfy MDOT or have documented in the bid package that adequate good faith efforts have been made to meet the Contract goal. For any questions regarding Form OCR-481, contact the Office of Civil Rights at 601.359.7466.
- 3. Bidders must include OCR-485 information with their bid proposal listing all firms that submitted quotes for material supplies or items to be subcontracted. The OCR-485 information must be signed and included with the bid proposal. If the OCR-485 information is not included and signed as part of the bid proposal, the bid will be deemed irregular.

Prior to the start of any Contract work, the bidder must notify the Project Engineer, in writing, of the designated "DBE Liaison Officer" for the project. This notification must be posted on the bulletin board at the project site.

## DBE REPORTS

- 1. OCR-481 is available on MDOT's website at www.mdot.ms.gov under the Civil Rights tab, or by calling 601.359.7466. This form must contain:
  - a. The name and address of each certified DBE contractor and/or supplier; and
  - b. The Reference Number, percent of work to be completed by the DBE subcontractor, and the dollar amount of each item. If a portion of an item is subcontracted, a breakdown of that item, including quantities and unit price, must be attached

detailing what part of the item the DBE firm is to perform and who will perform the remainder of the item.

2. OCR-482: At the conclusion of the project, before the final estimate is paid and the project is closed out, the prime contractor will submit to the Project Engineer Form OCR-482. In this form, the contractor must certify the total amount paid to all DBE contractors/suppliers over the life of the Contract. The Project Engineer will submit the completed Form OCR-482 to the DBE Coordinator in the MDOT Office of Civil Rights. Final acceptance of the project is dependent upon MDOT's Contract Administration Division's receipt of the completed and approved Form OCR-482 as received from the Office of Civil Rights.

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- 3. OCR-483: The Project Engineer or Inspector will complete Form OCR-483, the Commercially Useful Function Performance Report, in accordance with MDOT S.O.P. No. OCR-03-05-02-483. Evaluations reported on this form are used to determine whether or not the DBE firm is performing a commercially useful function. The prime contractor is expected to take corrective action when the report contains any negative evaluations. DBE credit may be disallowed and/or sanctions imposed if it is determined that the DBE firm is not performing a commercially useful function. This form is to be completed and submitted to the DBE Coordinator in the Office of Civil Rights.
- 4. OCR-484: Each month, the prime contractor will submit to the Project Engineer OCR-484, which certifies payments to all subcontractors and lists all firms to reflect payments made during the estimate period. The prime contractor will submit this form even if they have not paid any money to a firm during the estimate period. The Project Engineer will attach the form to the monthly estimate before forwarding it to MDOT's Contract Administration Division for further processing. Failure of the contractor to submit the OCR-484 form will result in the estimate not being processed and paid.
- 5. OCR-485: ALL BIDDERS must submit the signed Form OCR-485 with bid proposals of all firms that submitted quotes for material supplies or items to be subcontracted. If the OCR-485 information is not included and signed as part of the bid proposal, the bid will be deemed irregular.
- 6. OCR-487: The OCR-487 is only used by prime contractors that are certified DBE firms. This form is used in determining the exact percentage of DBE credit for the specified project. The lowest bidder must submit this form to MDOT's Office of Civil Rights with the OCR-481 form. It may also be submitted with the Permission to Subcontract Forms (CAD-720, CAD-725, and CAD-521).

DBE forms may be obtained from the Office of Civil Rights at the MDOT Administration Building, 401 N. West St., Jackson, MS, or at www.mdot.ms.gov under the Civil Rights tab.

## **CONTRACTOR ASSURANCES**

Each contract that MDOT signs with a contractor, and each subcontract that the prime contractor signs with a sub-contractor, must contain the following assurance set forth in 49 C.F.R. § 26.13:

The contractor, sub-recipient or subcontractor shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, sex, or national origin in the performance of this Contract. The contractor shall carry out applicable requirements of 49 C.F.R. part 26 in the award and administration of federally assisted contracts. Failure by the contractor to carry

out these requirements is a material breach of this Contract, which may result in the termination of this Contract or such other remedy as MDOT deems appropriate.

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## **CONTRACTOR'S OBLIGATION**

The contractor and all subcontractors shall take all necessary and reasonable steps to ensure that DBE firms can compete for and participate in the performance of a portion of the work in this Contract and shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, sex, or national origin. Failure on the part of the contractor to carry out the DBE requirements of the Contract constitutes a material breach of contract and, after proper notification, MDOT may terminate the Contract or take other appropriate action as determined by MDOT.

When a contract has a zero (0) percent goal, the contractor must take all necessary and reasonable steps to ensure that DBE firms can compete for and participate in the performance of the work in the Contract. In this case, all work performed by a certified DBE firm is considered to be a "race neutral" measure and MDOT will receive DBE credit towards the overall State goal when the DBE firm is paid for their work. If the prime contractor is a certified DBE firm, MDOT can receive DBE credit only for the work performed by the prime contractor's work force or any work subcontracted to another DBE firm. Work performed by a non-DBE subcontractor is not eligible for DBE credit.

## CONTRACT GOAL

The goal for participation by DBEs is established for the Contract in the attached Supplement. The contractor shall exercise all necessary and reasonable steps to ensure that participation is equal to or exceeds the Contract goal.

If the Contract goal established by MDOT is one (1) percent or greater, it must be met to fulfill the terms of the Contract. The contractor may list DBE subcontractors and items that exceed MDOT's Contract goal, but should any unforeseen problems arise that would prevent a DBE from completing its total commitment percentage, the contractor will meet the terms of the Contract as long as it meets or exceeds MDOT's Contract goal.

All Bidders shall submit to the Office of Civil Rights Form OCR-481, signed by the prime contractor and the DBE subcontractors, no later than the third business day after opening of the bids. Please refer to the "DBE Reports" section of this Notice to Bidders for what information must be contained in the OCR-481 Form.

If the DBE commitment shown on the last bid sheet of the proposal does not equal or exceed the Contract goal, the bidder must submit to MDOT's Contract Administration Division information that shows that adequate good faith efforts have been made to meet the Contract goal. This information must be submitted to MDOT prior to bid opening.

Failure of the lowest bidder to furnish acceptable proof of good faith efforts submitted to MDOT's Contract Administration Division prior to bid opening shall be just cause for rejection of the

proposal. Award may then be made to the next lowest responsive bidder, or the project may be readvertised. For MDOT's reconsideration process, please see MDOT's DBE Manual.

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## **GOOD FAITH EFFORTS AT THE TIME OF THE BIDDING**

For the purposes of the DBE Program, Good Faith Effort means to have made every reasonable effort using, at a minimum, the guidelines outlined below, and any other steps deemed appropriate to initially find and/or replace a DBE to meet the established DBE Goal assigned to a project. Additional guidance can be found in Appendix A to 49 C.F.R. § 26.53(a).

The following factors are illustrative of matters that MDOT will consider in judging whether the bidder has made adequate good faith efforts to satisfy the Contract goal.

- 1. Whether the bidder attended the pre-bid meeting that was scheduled by MDOT to inform DBEs of subcontracting opportunities;
- 2. Whether the bidder reached out to the MDOT Office of Civil Rights for assistance;
- 3. Whether the bidder advertised in general circulation, trade association, and minorityfocused media concerning the subcontracting opportunities;
- 4. Whether the bidder provided written notice to a reasonable number of specific DBEs that their interest in the Contract is being solicited;
- 5. Whether the bidder followed up initial solicitations of interest by contacting DBEs to determine with certainty whether they were interested;
- 6. Whether the bidder selected portions of the work of the work to be performed by DBEs in order to increase the likelihood of meeting the Contract goal;
- 7. Whether the bidder provided interested DBEs with adequate information about the plans, specifications, and requirements of the Contract;
- 8. Whether the bidder negotiated in good faith with interested DBEs and did not reject them as unqualified without sound reasons based on a thorough investigation of their capabilities;
- 9. Whether the bidder made efforts to assist interested DBEs in obtaining any required bonding or insurance;
- 10. Whether the bidder has written notification to certified DBE Contractors soliciting subcontracting for items of work in the Contract;
- 11. Whether the bidder has a statement of why an agreement was not reached; and
- 12. Proof of written notification to certified DBE Contractors by certified mail that their interest is solicited in subcontracting the work defaulted by the previous DBE or in subcontracting other items of work in the Contract.

The bidder's execution of the signature portion of the proposal shall constitute execution of the following assurance:

The bidder hereby gives assurance pursuant to the applicable requirements of "Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21)" and applicable requirements of 49 C.F.R. part 26 that the bidder has made a good faith effort to meet the contract goal for DBE participation for which this proposal is submitted.

In determining whether a bidder made good faith efforts, MDOT will:

- 1. Scrutinize the documented efforts of the bidder;
- 2. Review the performance of other bidders in meeting the Contract goal;
- 3. Require the bidder to submit copies of each DBE and non-DBE subcontractor's quote submitted to the bidder when a non-DBE subcontractor was selected over a DBE for work on the Contract to review whether DBE prices were substantially higher; and

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- 4. Contact the DBEs listed on a contractor's solicitation to inquire as to whether they were contacted by the prime contractor.
- 5. MDOT will not consider standardized (i.e., bulk or generic) mailings to DBEs requesting bids as sufficient to satisfy good faith efforts.
- 6. MDOT will also not consider a promise to use DBEs after Contract award as responsive to Contract solicitation, nor will it constitute adequate good faith efforts.

## **GOOD FAITH EFFORTS DURING THE CONTRACT**

If a DBE subcontractor cannot perform satisfactorily, or at all, and this causes the OCR-481 commitment to fall below the Contract goal, the contractor must take all necessary and reasonable steps to replace the DBE with another certified DBE subcontractor or submit information to satisfy a good faith effort to MDOT. Contractor must notify the Office of Civil Rights immediately upon determination that the goal may not be achieved.

Information to be submitted to satisfy MDOT may include:

- 1. Did the prime contractor look at other areas of the Contract to subcontract out to DBEs?
- 2. Did the prime contractor look for new DBE firms to perform the same line of work?
- 3. Did the prime contractor identify other DBEs used in the performance of the Contract but that were not reported to MDOT?
- 4. Did the prime contractor select portions of the work to be performed by DBEs in order to increase the likelihood that the DBE goals would be achieved?
- 5. Did the prime contractor provide interested DBEs with adequate information about the plans, specifications, and requirements of the Contract in a timely manner?
- 6. Did the prime contractor negotiate in good faith with interested DBEs?
- 7. Did the prime contractor use good business judgment such as taking into consideration the DBE firm's price and capabilities as compared to non-DBE firms?
- 8. Did the bidder reject the DBEs as being unqualified without sound reasons?
- 9. Did the prime contractor make efforts to assist interested DBEs in obtaining bonding, lines of credit, or insurance as required by the recipient or the prime contractor?
- 10. Did the prime contractor effectively use the services of available the agency's DBE Supportive Services provider or other available minority/women community organizations; minority/women contractors' groups; local, state, and federal minority/women business assistance offices; and other organizations as allowed on a case-by-case basis to aid in the recruitment and placement of DBEs?

When a contractor proposes to substitute/replace/terminate a DBE that was originally named on the OCR-481, the contractor must obtain a release, in writing, from the named DBE explaining

why the DBE subcontractor cannot perform the work. A copy of the original DBE's release must be attached to the contractor's written request to substitute/replace/terminate along with an appropriate Subcontract Forms for the substituted/replaced/terminated subcontractor, all of which must be submitted to the Project Engineer for forwarding to the Office of Civil Rights DBE Coordinator for review and approval actions. The replacement DBE must be a DBE who was on MDOT's list of "Certified DBE Contractors" when the job was let, and who is still active.

# Under no circumstances may the prime contractor or a subcontractor perform the DBE's work without prior written approval from MDOT.

## PARTICIPATION/DBE CREDIT

Participation shall be counted toward meeting the goal in this Contract as follows:

- 1. If the prime contractor is a certified DBE firm, only the value of the work actually performed by the DBE prime contractor can be counted towards the project goal, along with any work subcontracted to a certified DBE firm.
- 2. If the contractor is not a DBE, the work subcontracted to a certified DBE contractor will be counted toward the goal.
- 3. The contractor may count a portion of the total dollar value of a contract with a joint venture eligible under the standards of the provision equal to the percentage of the DBE partner in the joint venture towards the Contract goal.
- 4. Expenditures to DBEs that perform a commercially useful function may be counted toward the goal. A business is considered to perform a commercially useful function when it is responsible for the execution of a distinct element of the work and carries out its responsibilities by actually performing, managing, and supervising the work involved.
- 5. The contractor may count one hundred (100) percent of the expenditures for materials and supplies obtained from certified DBE suppliers and manufacturers that produce goods from raw materials or substantially alters them for resale provided the suppliers and manufacturers assume the actual and contractual responsibility for the provision of the materials and supplies. The contractor may count sixty (60) percent of the expenditures to suppliers that are not manufacturers, provided the supplier performs a commercially useful function in the supply process. Within thirty (30) days after receipt of the materials, the contractor shall furnish to the Project Engineer invoices from the certified supplier whereby the DBE goal can be verified by MDOT's DBE Coordinator.
- 6. Any work that a certified DBE firm subcontracts or sub-subcontracts to a non-DBE firm <u>will not</u> count towards the DBE goal.
- 7. Only the dollars <u>actually paid</u> to the DBE firm may be counted towards the DBE goal. The participation of a DBE Firm cannot be counted towards the Prime Contractor's DBE goal until the amount being counted towards the goal has been paid to the DBE.

## **SANCTIONS**

If the prime Contractor fails to fulfill the contract DBE goal commitments on the OCR-481 forms, including administrative errors, and/or is found to have taken actions that are not in compliance

with the MDOT DBE Program and 49 CFR Part 26, MDOT has the option to enforce any or all combination(s) of the following penalties:

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- 1. Disallowing credit to go towards the DBE goal;
- 2. Withholding progress estimate payments;
- 3. Deducting from the final estimate or recovering an amount equal to the unmet portion of the DBE goal, which may include additional monetary penalties as outlined below based on the number of offenses and the severity of the violation, as determined by MDOT:

1st Offense	10% of unmet portion of goal	or	\$7,500 lump sum payment	or	Both
2nd Offense	20% of unmet portion of goal	or	\$15,000 lump sum payment	or	Both
3rd Offense	40% of unmet portion of goal	or	\$25,000 lump portion of goal	or	\$25,000 lump sum payment and debarment

4. MDOT may debar the contractor from bidding on MDOT's federally funded projects for a period of up to twelve (12) months after notification by certified mail.

If the DBE goal is not met due to an administrative error by the contractor, MDOT has the discretion to assess a percentage of the unmet portion of the goal or any combination of the above as sanctions, in an amount that is deemed appropriate by MDOT.

#### **SECTION 904 - NOTICE TO BIDDERS NO. 5750**

CODE: (SP)

DATE: 03/19/2024

## SUBJECT: Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD)

Bidders are advised that any reference to the current edition of the MUTCD or the latest edition of the MUTCD within plans, proposal, or standard specifications means the <u>2009 Edition and the 3</u> <u>Revisions thereto</u>.

#### SECTION 904 - NOTICE TO BIDDERS NO. 6645

CODE: (SP)

DATE: 01/13/2025

SUBJECT: Contract Time

#### **PROJECT:** STBG-0211-00(017) / 108817301 – Covington County

The completion of work to be performed by the Contractor for this project will not be a specified date but shall be when all allowable working days are assessed, or any extension thereto as provided in Subsection 108.06. It is anticipated that the Notice of Award will be issued no later than <u>March 11, 2025</u> and the date for Notice to Proceed / Beginning of Contract Time will be <u>June 9, 2025</u>.

Should the Contractor request a Notice to Proceed earlier than <u>June 9, 2025</u> and it is agreeable with the Department for an early Notice to Proceed, the requested date will become the new Notice to Proceed date. Regardless of whether or not an early Notice to Proceed is granted, contract time will start at the original Notice to Proceed date.

All requests for an early Notice to Proceed shall be sent to the Project Engineer who will forward it to the Contract Administration Division.

52 Working Days have been allowed for the completion of work on this project.

SECTION 904 - NOTICE TO BIDDERS NO. 6646

DATE: 01/27/2025

SUBJECT: Specialty Items

PROJECT: STBG-0211-00(017)/108817301 - COVINGTON

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 108, the following work items are hereby designated as "Specialty Items" for this contract. Bidders are reminded that these items must be subcontracted in order to be considered as specialty items. CATEGORY: EROSION CONTROL

Line No	Pay Item	Description		
0060	213-C001	Superphosphate		
0070	220-A001	Insect Pest Control		
0080	223-A001	Mowing		
CATEGORY: SURVEY AND STAKING				
Line No	Pay Item	Description		
0220	699-A001	Roadway Construction Stakes		
CATEGORY: TRAFFIC CONTROL - TEMPORARY				
Line No	Pay Item	Description		
0180	619-D1001	Standard Roadside Construction Signs, Less than 10 Square Feet		
0190	619-D2001	Standard Roadside Construction Signs, 10 Square Feet or More		
0200	619-G4001	Barricades, Type III, Double Faced		

### **SECTION 904 - NOTICE TO BIDDERS NO. 6648**

CODE: (SP)

DATE: 1/8/2025

# SUBJECT: Additional Construction Requirements – Yellow-Blotched Map Turtle

#### **PROJECT:** STBG-0211-00(017) / 108817301 – Covington County

Bidders are hereby notified that heavy machinery should be kept off the adjacent sandbars during the nesting season for the yellow-blotched map turtle, May 1 – September 30.

#### **SECTION 904 - NOTICE TO BIDDERS NO. 6650**

CODE (SP)

DATE: 12/30/2024

#### **SUBJECT:** Placement of Fill Material in Federally Regulated Areas

#### PROJECT: STBG-0211-00(017) / 108817301 – Covington County

A Permit (404, General, Nationwide, etc.) for placing fill material in federally regulated sites is required on this project.

The Department has acquired the following permits for permanently filling at regulated sites that are identified during project development:

#### Nationwide Permit No. 3 (Waters of the U.S.) -- All sites with area less than 0.10 acre.

Copies of said permit(s) are available at the below referenced link for the appropriate letting date under the column titled "Permit Doc."

#### http://mdot.ms.gov/Applications/BidSystem/Home.aspx

The permit may have plan sheets attached as reference but these sheets are <u>not</u> to be used for construction. Official plans sheets are those included in the Project Plans.

### SPECIAL CONDITIONS NATIONWIDE PERMIT No. 3

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#### **Maintenance**

(a) The repair, rehabilitation, or replacement of any previously authorized, currently serviceable structure or fill, or of any currently serviceable structure or fill authorized by 33 CFR 330.3, provided that the structure or fill is not to be put to uses differing from those uses specified or contemplated for it in the original permit or the most recently authorized modification. Minor deviations in the structure's configuration or filled area, including those due to changes in materials, construction techniques, requirements of other regulatory agencies, or current construction codes or safety standards that are necessary to make the repair, rehabilitation, or replacement are authorized. This NWP also authorizes the removal of previously authorized structures or fills. Any stream channel modification is limited to the minimum necessary for the repair, rehabilitation, or replacement of the structure or fill; such modifications, including the removal of material from the stream channel, must be immediately adjacent to the project. This NWP also authorizes the removal of accumulated sediment and debris within, and in the immediate vicinity of, the structure or fill. This NWP also authorizes the repair, rehabilitation, or replacement of those structures or fills destroyed or damaged by storms, floods, fire or other discrete events, provided the repair, rehabilitation, or replacement is commenced, or is under contract to commence, within two years of the date of their destruction or damage. In cases of catastrophic events, such as hurricanes or tornadoes, this two-year limit may be waived by the district engineer, provided the permittee can demonstrate funding, contract, or other similar delays.

(b) This NWP also authorizes the removal of accumulated sediments and debris outside the immediate vicinity of existing structures (e.g., bridges, culverted road crossings, water intake structures, etc.). The removal of sediment is limited to the minimum necessary to restore the waterway in the vicinity of the structure to the approximate dimensions that existed when the structure was built, but cannot extend farther than 200 feet in any direction from the structure. This 200 foot limit does not apply to maintenance dredging to remove accumulated sediments blocking or restricting outfall and intake structures or to maintenance dredging to remove accumulated sediments from canals associated with outfall and intake structures. All dredged or excavated materials must be deposited and retained in an area that has no waters of the United States unless otherwise specifically approved by the district engineer under separate authorization.

(c) This NWP also authorizes temporary structures, fills, and work, including the use of temporary mats, necessary to conduct the maintenance activity. Appropriate measures must be taken to maintain normal downstream flows and minimize flooding to the maximum extent practicable, when temporary structures, work, and discharges of dredged or fill material, including cofferdams, are necessary for construction activities, access fills, or dewatering of construction sites. Temporary fills must consist of materials, and be placed in a manner, that will not be eroded by expected high flows.

After conducting the maintenance activity, temporary fills must be removed in their entirety and the affected areas returned to pre-construction elevations. The areas affected by temporary fills must be revegetated, as appropriate.

(d) This NWP does not authorize maintenance dredging for the primary purpose of navigation. This NWP does not authorize beach restoration. This NWP does not authorize new stream channelization or stream relocation projects.

<u>Notification</u>: For activities authorized by paragraph (b) of this NWP, the permittee must submit a pre-construction notification to the district engineer prior to commencing the activity (see general condition 32). The pre-construction notification must include information regarding the original design capacities and configurations of the outfalls, intakes, small impoundments, and canals.

(Authorities: Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 and Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (Sections 10 and 404))

<u>Note</u>: This NWP authorizes the repair, rehabilitation, or replacement of any previously authorized structure or fill that does not qualify for the Clean Water Act Section 404(f) exemption for maintenance.

# 2021 Nationwide Permits General Conditions, District Engineer's Decision and Further Information

## 2021 Nationwide Permit General Conditions

<u>Note</u>: To qualify for NWP authorization, the prospective permittee must comply with the following general conditions, as applicable, in addition to any regional or case-specific conditions imposed by the division engineer or district engineer. Prospective permittees should contact the appropriate Corps district office to determine if regional conditions have been imposed on an NWP. Prospective permittees should also contact the appropriate Corps district office to determine the status of Clean Water Act Section 401 water quality certification and/or Coastal Zone Management Act consistency for an NWP. Every person who may wish to obtain permit authorization under one or more NWPs, or who is currently relying on an existing or prior permit authorization under one or more or more NWPs, has been and is on notice that all of the provisions of 33 CFR 330.1 through 330.6 apply to every NWP authorization. Note especially 33 CFR 330.5 relating to the modification, suspension, or revocation of any NWP authorization.

1. <u>Navigation</u>. (a) No activity may cause more than a minimal adverse effect on navigation.

(b) Any safety lights and signals prescribed by the U.S. Coast Guard, through regulations or otherwise, must be installed and maintained at the permittee's expense on authorized facilities in navigable waters of the United States.

(c) The permittee understands and agrees that, if future operations by the United States require the removal, relocation, or other alteration, of the structure or work herein authorized, or if, in the opinion of the Secretary of the Army or his or her authorized representative, said structure or work shall cause unreasonable obstruction to the free navigation of the navigable waters, the permittee will be required, upon due notice from the Corps of Engineers, to remove, relocate, or alter the structural work or obstructions caused thereby, without expense to the United States. No claim shall be made against the United States on account of any such removal or alteration.

2. <u>Aquatic Life Movements</u>. No activity may substantially disrupt the necessary life cycle movements of those species of aquatic life indigenous to the waterbody, including those species that normally migrate through the area, unless the activity's primary purpose is to impound water. All permanent and temporary crossings of waterbodies shall be suitably culverted, bridged, or otherwise designed and constructed to maintain low flows to sustain the movement of those aquatic species. If a bottomless culvert cannot be used, then the crossing should be designed and constructed to minimize adverse effects to aquatic life movements.

3. <u>Spawning Areas</u>. Activities in spawning areas during spawning seasons must be avoided to the maximum extent practicable. Activities that result in the physical

destruction (e.g., through excavation, fill, or downstream smothering by substantial turbidity) of an important spawning area are not authorized.

4. <u>Migratory Bird Breeding Areas</u>. Activities in waters of the United States that serve as breeding areas for migratory birds must be avoided to the maximum extent practicable.

5. <u>Shellfish Beds</u>. No activity may occur in areas of concentrated shellfish populations, unless the activity is directly related to a shellfish harvesting activity authorized by NWPs 4 and 48, or is a shellfish seeding or habitat restoration activity authorized by NWP 27.

6. <u>Suitable Material</u>. No activity may use unsuitable material (e.g., trash, debris, car bodies, asphalt, etc.). Material used for construction or discharged must be free from toxic pollutants in toxic amounts (see section 307 of the Clean Water Act).

7. <u>Water Supply Intakes</u>. No activity may occur in the proximity of a public water supply intake, except where the activity is for the repair or improvement of public water supply intake structures or adjacent bank stabilization.

8. <u>Adverse Effects From Impoundments</u>. If the activity creates an impoundment of water, adverse effects to the aquatic system due to accelerating the passage of water, and/or restricting its flow must be minimized to the maximum extent practicable.

9. <u>Management of Water Flows</u>. To the maximum extent practicable, the preconstruction course, condition, capacity, and location of open waters must be maintained for each activity, including stream channelization, storm water management activities, and temporary and permanent road crossings, except as provided below. The activity must be constructed to withstand expected high flows. The activity must not restrict or impede the passage of normal or high flows, unless the primary purpose of the activity is to impound water or manage high flows. The activity may alter the preconstruction course, condition, capacity, and location of open waters if it benefits the aquatic environment (e.g., stream restoration or relocation activities).

10. <u>Fills Within 100-Year Floodplains</u>. The activity must comply with applicable FEMA-approved state or local floodplain management requirements.

11. <u>Equipment</u>. Heavy equipment working in wetlands or mudflats must be placed on mats, or other measures must be taken to minimize soil disturbance.

12. <u>Soil Erosion and Sediment Controls</u>. Appropriate soil erosion and sediment controls must be used and maintained in effective operating condition during construction, and all exposed soil and other fills, as well as any work below the ordinary high water mark or high tide line, must be permanently stabilized at the earliest practicable date. Permittees are encouraged to perform work within waters of the United States during periods of low-flow or no-flow, or during low tides.

13. <u>Removal of Temporary Structures and Fills</u>. Temporary structures must be removed, to the maximum extent practicable, after their use has been discontinued. Temporary fills must be removed in their entirety and the affected areas returned to preconstruction elevations. The affected areas must be revegetated, as appropriate.

14. <u>Proper Maintenance</u>. Any authorized structure or fill shall be properly maintained, including maintenance to ensure public safety and compliance with applicable NWP general conditions, as well as any activity-specific conditions added by the district engineer to an NWP authorization.

15. <u>Single and Complete Project</u>. The activity must be a single and complete project. The same NWP cannot be used more than once for the same single and complete project.

16. <u>Wild and Scenic Rivers</u>. (a) No NWP activity may occur in a component of the National Wild and Scenic River System, or in a river officially designated by Congress as a "study river" for possible inclusion in the system while the river is in an official study status, unless the appropriate Federal agency with direct management responsibility for such river, has determined in writing that the proposed activity will not adversely affect the Wild and Scenic River designation or study status.

(b) If a proposed NWP activity will occur in a component of the National Wild and Scenic River System, or in a river officially designated by Congress as a "study river" for possible inclusion in the system while the river is in an official study status, the permittee must submit a pre-construction notification (see general condition 32). The district engineer will coordinate the PCN with the Federal agency with direct management responsibility for that river. Permittees shall not begin the NWP activity until notified by the district engineer that the Federal agency with direct management responsibility for that river has determined in writing that the proposed NWP activity will not adversely affect the Wild and Scenic River designation or study status.

(c) Information on Wild and Scenic Rivers may be obtained from the appropriate Federal land management agency responsible for the designated Wild and Scenic River or study river (e.g., National Park Service, U.S. Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service). Information on these rivers is also available at: http://www.rivers.gov/.

17. <u>Tribal Rights</u>. No activity or its operation may impair reserved tribal rights, including, but not limited to, reserved water rights and treaty fishing and hunting rights.

18. <u>Endangered Species</u>. (a) No activity is authorized under any NWP which is likely to directly or indirectly jeopardize the continued existence of a threatened or endangered species or a species proposed for such designation, as identified under the Federal Endangered Species Act (ESA), or which will directly or indirectly destroy or adversely modify designated critical habitat or critical habitat proposed for such designation. No activity is authorized under any NWP which "may affect" a listed species or critical

habitat, unless ESA section 7 consultation addressing the consequences of the proposed activity on listed species or critical habitat has been completed. See 50 CFR 402.02 for the definition of "effects of the action" for the purposes of ESA section 7 consultation, as well as 50 CFR 402.17, which provides further explanation under ESA section 7 regarding "activities that are reasonably certain to occur" and "consequences caused by the proposed action."

(b) Federal agencies should follow their own procedures for complying with the requirements of the ESA (see 33 CFR 330.4(f)(1)). If pre-construction notification is required for the proposed activity, the Federal permittee must provide the district engineer with the appropriate documentation to demonstrate compliance with those requirements. The district engineer will verify that the appropriate documentation has been submitted. If the appropriate documentation has not been submitted, additional ESA section 7 consultation may be necessary for the activity and the respective federal agency would be responsible for fulfilling its obligation under section 7 of the ESA.

(c) Non-federal permittees must submit a pre-construction notification to the district engineer if any listed species (or species proposed for listing) or designated critical habitat (or critical habitat proposed such designation) might be affected or is in the vicinity of the activity, or if the activity is located in designated critical habitat or critical habitat proposed for such designation, and shall not begin work on the activity until notified by the district engineer that the requirements of the ESA have been satisfied and that the activity is authorized. For activities that might affect Federally-listed endangered or threatened species (or species proposed for listing) or designated critical habitat (or critical habitat proposed for such designation), the pre-construction notification must include the name(s) of the endangered or threatened species (or species proposed for listing) that might be affected by the proposed activity or that utilize the designated critical habitat (or critical habitat proposed for such designation) that might be affected by the proposed activity. The district engineer will determine whether the proposed activity "may affect" or will have "no effect" to listed species and designated critical habitat and will notify the non-Federal applicant of the Corps' determination within 45 days of receipt of a complete pre-construction notification. For activities where the non-Federal applicant has identified listed species (or species proposed for listing) or designated critical habitat (or critical habitat proposed for such designation) that might be affected or is in the vicinity of the activity, and has so notified the Corps, the applicant shall not begin work until the Corps has provided notification that the proposed activity will have "no effect" on listed species (or species proposed for listing or designated critical habitat (or critical habitat proposed for such designation), or until ESA section 7 consultation or conference has been completed. If the non-Federal applicant has not heard back from the Corps within 45 days, the applicant must still wait for notification from the Corps.

(d) As a result of formal or informal consultation or conference with the FWS or NMFS the district engineer may add species-specific permit conditions to the NWPs.

(e) Authorization of an activity by an NWP does not authorize the "take" of a threatened or endangered species as defined under the ESA. In the absence of separate authorization (e.g., an ESA Section 10 Permit, a Biological Opinion with "incidental take" provisions, etc.) from the FWS or the NMFS, the Endangered Species Act prohibits any person subject to the jurisdiction of the United States to take a listed species, where "take" means to harass, harm, pursue, hunt, shoot, wound, kill, trap, capture, or collect, or to attempt to engage in any such conduct. The word "harm" in the definition of "take" means an act which actually kills or injures wildlife. Such an act may include significant habitat modification or degradation where it actually kills or injures wildlife by significantly impairing essential behavioral patterns, including breeding, feeding or sheltering.

(f) If the non-federal permittee has a valid ESA section 10(a)(1)(B) incidental take permit with an approved Habitat Conservation Plan for a project or a group of projects that includes the proposed NWP activity, the non-federal applicant should provide a copy of that ESA section 10(a)(1)(B) permit with the PCN required by paragraph (c) of this general condition. The district engineer will coordinate with the agency that issued the ESA section 10(a)(1)(B) permit to determine whether the proposed NWP activity and the associated incidental take were considered in the internal ESA section 7 consultation conducted for the ESA section 10(a)(1)(B) permit. If that coordination results in concurrence from the agency that the proposed NWP activity and the associated incidental take were considered in the internal ESA section 7 consultation for the ESA section 10(a)(1)(B) permit, the district engineer does not need to conduct a separate ESA section 7 consultation for the proposed NWP activity. The district engineer will notify the non-federal applicant within 45 days of receipt of a complete preconstruction notification whether the ESA section 10(a)(1)(B) permit covers the proposed NWP activity or whether additional ESA section 7 consultation is required.

(g) Information on the location of threatened and endangered species and their critical habitat can be obtained directly from the offices of the FWS and NMFS or their world wide web pages at http://www.fws.gov/ or http://www.fws.gov/ipac and http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/pr/species/esa/ respectively.

19. <u>Migratory Birds and Bald and Golden Eagles</u>. The permittee is responsible for ensuring that an action authorized by an NWP complies with the Migratory Bird Treaty Act and the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act. The permittee is responsible for contacting the appropriate local office of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to determine what measures, if any, are necessary or appropriate to reduce adverse effects to migratory birds or eagles, including whether "incidental take" permits are necessary and available under the Migratory Bird Treaty Act or Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act for a particular activity.

20. <u>Historic Properties</u>. (a) No activity is authorized under any NWP which may have the potential to cause effects to properties listed, or eligible for listing, in the National Register of Historic Places until the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) have been satisfied.

(b) Federal permittees should follow their own procedures for complying with the requirements of section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (see 33 CFR 330.4(g)(1)). If pre-construction notification is required for the proposed NWP activity, the Federal permittee must provide the district engineer with the appropriate documentation to demonstrate compliance with those requirements. The district engineer will verify that the appropriate documentation has been submitted. If the appropriate documentation is not submitted, then additional consultation under section 106 may be necessary. The respective federal agency is responsible for fulfilling its obligation to comply with section 106.

(c) Non-federal permittees must submit a pre-construction notification to the district engineer if the NWP activity might have the potential to cause effects to any historic properties listed on, determined to be eligible for listing on, or potentially eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places, including previously unidentified properties. For such activities, the pre-construction notification must state which historic properties might have the potential to be affected by the proposed NWP activity or include a vicinity map indicating the location of the historic properties or the potential for the presence of historic properties. Assistance regarding information on the location of, or potential for, the presence of historic properties can be sought from the State Historic Preservation Officer, Tribal Historic Preservation Officer, or designated tribal representative, as appropriate, and the National Register of Historic Places (see 33 CFR 330.4(g)). When reviewing pre-construction notifications, district engineers will comply with the current procedures for addressing the requirements of section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. The district engineer shall make a reasonable and good faith effort to carry out appropriate identification efforts commensurate with potential impacts, which may include background research, consultation, oral history interviews, sample field investigation, and/or field survey. Based on the information submitted in the PCN and these identification efforts, the district engineer shall determine whether the proposed NWP activity has the potential to cause effects on the historic properties. Section 106 consultation is not required when the district engineer determines that the activity does not have the potential to cause effects on historic properties (see 36 CFR 800.3(a)). Section 106 consultation is required when the district engineer determines that the activity has the potential to cause effects on historic properties. The district engineer will conduct consultation with consulting parties identified under 36 CFR 800.2(c) when he or she makes any of the following effect determinations for the purposes of section 106 of the NHPA: no historic properties affected, no adverse effect, or adverse effect.

(d) Where the non-Federal applicant has identified historic properties on which the proposed NWP activity might have the potential to cause effects and has so notified the Corps, the non-Federal applicant shall not begin the activity until notified by the district engineer either that the activity has no potential to cause effects to historic properties or that NHPA section 106 consultation has been completed. For non-federal permittees, the district engineer will notify the prospective permittee within 45 days of receipt of a complete pre-construction notification whether NHPA section 106 consultation is

required. If NHPA section 106 consultation is required, the district engineer will notify the non-Federal applicant that he or she cannot begin the activity until section 106 consultation is completed. If the non-Federal applicant has not heard back from the Corps within 45 days, the applicant must still wait for notification from the Corps.

(e) Prospective permittees should be aware that section 110k of the NHPA (54 U.S.C. 306113) prevents the Corps from granting a permit or other assistance to an applicant who, with intent to avoid the requirements of section 106 of the NHPA, has intentionally significantly adversely affected a historic property to which the permit would relate, or having legal power to prevent it, allowed such significant adverse effect to occur, unless the Corps, after consultation with the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP), determines that circumstances justify granting such assistance despite the adverse effect created or permitted by the applicant. If circumstances justify granting the assistance, the Corps is required to notify the ACHP and provide documentation specifying the circumstances, the degree of damage to the integrity of any historic properties affected, and proposed mitigation. This documentation must include any views obtained from the applicant, SHPO/THPO, appropriate Indian tribes if the undertaking occurs on or affects historic properties on tribal lands or affects properties of interest to those tribes, and other parties known to have a legitimate interest in the impacts to the permitted activity on historic properties.

21. <u>Discovery of Previously Unknown Remains and Artifacts</u>. Permittees that discover any previously unknown historic, cultural or archeological remains and artifacts while accomplishing the activity authorized by an NWP, they must immediately notify the district engineer of what they have found, and to the maximum extent practicable, avoid construction activities that may affect the remains and artifacts until the required coordination has been completed. The district engineer will initiate the Federal, Tribal, and state coordination required to determine if the items or remains warrant a recovery effort or if the site is eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.

22. <u>Designated Critical Resource Waters</u>. Critical resource waters include, NOAAmanaged marine sanctuaries and marine monuments, and National Estuarine Research Reserves. The district engineer may designate, after notice and opportunity for public comment, additional waters officially designated by a state as having particular environmental or ecological significance, such as outstanding national resource waters or state natural heritage sites. The district engineer may also designate additional critical resource waters after notice and opportunity for public comment.

(a) Discharges of dredged or fill material into waters of the United States are not authorized by NWPs 7, 12, 14, 16, 17, 21, 29, 31, 35, 39, 40, 42, 43, 44, 49, 50, 51, 52, 57 and 58 for any activity within, or directly affecting, critical resource waters, including wetlands adjacent to such waters.

(b) For NWPs 3, 8, 10, 13, 15, 18, 19, 22, 23, 25, 27, 28, 30, 33, 34, 36, 37, 38, and 54, notification is required in accordance with general condition 32, for any activity proposed by permittees in the designated critical resource waters including wetlands adjacent to

those waters. The district engineer may authorize activities under these NWPs only after she or he determines that the impacts to the critical resource waters will be no more than minimal.

23. <u>Mitigation</u>. The district engineer will consider the following factors when determining appropriate and practicable mitigation necessary to ensure that the individual and cumulative adverse environmental effects are no more than minimal:

(a) The activity must be designed and constructed to avoid and minimize adverse effects, both temporary and permanent, to waters of the United States to the maximum extent practicable at the project site (i.e., on site).

(b) Mitigation in all its forms (avoiding, minimizing, rectifying, reducing, or compensating for resource losses) will be required to the extent necessary to ensure that the individual and cumulative adverse environmental effects are no more than minimal.

(c) Compensatory mitigation at a minimum one-for-one ratio will be required for all wetland losses that exceed 1/10-acre and require pre-construction notification, unless the district engineer determines in writing that either some other form of mitigation would be more environmentally appropriate or the adverse environmental effects of the proposed activity are no more than minimal, and provides an activity-specific waiver of this requirement. For wetland losses of 1/10-acre or less that require pre-construction notification, the district engineer may determine on a case-by-case basis that compensatory mitigation is required to ensure that the activity results in only minimal adverse environmental effects.

(d) Compensatory mitigation at a minimum one-for-one ratio will be required for all losses of stream bed that exceed 3/100-acre and require pre-construction notification, unless the district engineer determines in writing that either some other form of mitigation would be more environmentally appropriate or the adverse environmental effects of the proposed activity are no more than minimal, and provides an activity-specific waiver of this requirement. This compensatory mitigation requirement may be satisfied through the restoration or enhancement of riparian areas next to streams in accordance with paragraph (e) of this general condition. For losses of stream bed of 3/100-acre or less that require pre-construction notification, the district engineer may determine on a case-by-case basis that compensatory mitigation is required to ensure that the activity results in only minimal adverse environmental effects. Compensatory mitigation for losses of streams should be provided, if practicable, through stream rehabilitation, enhancement, or preservation, since streams are difficult-to-replace resources (see 33 CFR 332.3(e)(3)).

(e) Compensatory mitigation plans for NWP activities in or near streams or other open waters will normally include a requirement for the restoration or enhancement, maintenance, and legal protection (e.g., conservation easements) of riparian areas next to open waters. In some cases, the restoration or maintenance/protection of riparian areas may be the only compensatory mitigation required. If restoring riparian areas

involves planting vegetation, only native species should be planted. The width of the required riparian area will address documented water quality or aquatic habitat loss concerns. Normally, the riparian area will be 25 to 50 feet wide on each side of the stream, but the district engineer may require slightly wider riparian areas to address documented water quality or habitat loss concerns. If it is not possible to restore or maintain/protect a riparian area on both sides of a stream, or if the waterbody is a lake or coastal waters, then restoring or maintaining/protecting a riparian area along a single bank or shoreline may be sufficient. Where both wetlands and open waters exist on the project site, the district engineer will determine the appropriate compensatory mitigation (e.g., riparian areas and/or wetlands compensation) based on what is best for the aquatic environment on a watershed basis. In cases where riparian areas are determined to be the most appropriate form of minimization or compensatory mitigation, the district engineer may waive or reduce the requirement to provide wetland compensatory mitigation for wetland losses.

(f) Compensatory mitigation projects provided to offset losses of aquatic resources must comply with the applicable provisions of 33 CFR part 332.

(1) The prospective permittee is responsible for proposing an appropriate compensatory mitigation option if compensatory mitigation is necessary to ensure that the activity results in no more than minimal adverse environmental effects. For the NWPs, the preferred mechanism for providing compensatory mitigation is mitigation bank credits or in-lieu fee program credits (see 33 CFR 332.3(b)(2) and (3)). However, if an appropriate number and type of mitigation bank or in-lieu credits are not available at the time the PCN is submitted to the district engineer, the district engineer may approve the use of permittee-responsible mitigation.

(2) The amount of compensatory mitigation required by the district engineer must be sufficient to ensure that the authorized activity results in no more than minimal individual and cumulative adverse environmental effects (see 33 CFR 330.1(e)(3)). (See also 33 CFR 332.3(f).)

(3) Since the likelihood of success is greater and the impacts to potentially valuable uplands are reduced, aquatic resource restoration should be the first compensatory mitigation option considered for permittee-responsible mitigation.

(4) If permittee-responsible mitigation is the proposed option, the prospective permittee is responsible for submitting a mitigation plan. A conceptual or detailed mitigation plan may be used by the district engineer to make the decision on the NWP verification request, but a final mitigation plan that addresses the applicable requirements of 33 CFR 332.4(c)(2) through (14) must be approved by the district engineer before the permittee begins work in waters of the United States, unless the district engineer determines that prior approval of the final mitigation plan is not practicable or not necessary to ensure timely completion of the required compensatory mitigation (see 33 CFR 332.3(k)(3)). If permittee-responsible mitigation is the proposed option, and the proposed compensatory mitigation site is located on land in which another federal agency holds an easement, the district engineer will coordinate with that federal agency to determine if proposed compensatory mitigation project is compatible with the terms of the easement.

(5) If mitigation bank or in-lieu fee program credits are the proposed option, the mitigation plan needs to address only the baseline conditions at the impact site and the number of credits to be provided (see 33 CFR 332.4(c)(1)(ii)).

(6) Compensatory mitigation requirements (e.g., resource type and amount to be provided as compensatory mitigation, site protection, ecological performance standards, monitoring requirements) may be addressed through conditions added to the NWP authorization, instead of components of a compensatory mitigation plan (see 33 CFR 332.4(c)(1)(ii)).

(g) Compensatory mitigation will not be used to increase the acreage losses allowed by the acreage limits of the NWPs. For example, if an NWP has an acreage limit of 1/2-acre, it cannot be used to authorize any NWP activity resulting in the loss of greater than 1/2-acre of waters of the United States, even if compensatory mitigation is provided that replaces or restores some of the lost waters. However, compensatory mitigation can and should be used, as necessary, to ensure that an NWP activity already meeting the established acreage limits also satisfies the no more than minimal impact requirement for the NWPs.

(h) Permittees may propose the use of mitigation banks, in-lieu fee programs, or permittee-responsible mitigation. When developing a compensatory mitigation proposal, the permittee must consider appropriate and practicable options consistent with the framework at 33 CFR 332.3(b). For activities resulting in the loss of marine or estuarine resources, permittee-responsible mitigation may be environmentally preferable if there are no mitigation banks or in-lieu fee programs in the area that have marine or estuarine credits available for sale or transfer to the permittee. For permittee-responsible mitigation, the special conditions of the NWP verification must clearly indicate the party or parties responsible for the implementation and performance of the compensatory mitigation project, and, if required, its long-term management.

(i) Where certain functions and services of waters of the United States are permanently adversely affected by a regulated activity, such as discharges of dredged or fill material into waters of the United States that will convert a forested or scrub-shrub wetland to a herbaceous wetland in a permanently maintained utility line right-of-way, mitigation may be required to reduce the adverse environmental effects of the activity to the no more than minimal level.

24. <u>Safety of Impoundment Structures</u>. To ensure that all impoundment structures are safely designed, the district engineer may require non-Federal applicants to demonstrate that the structures comply with established state or federal, dam safety criteria or have been designed by qualified persons. The district engineer may also

require documentation that the design has been independently reviewed by similarly qualified persons, and appropriate modifications made to ensure safety.

25. <u>Water Quality</u>. (a) Where the certifying authority (state, authorized tribe, or EPA, as appropriate) has not previously certified compliance of an NWP with CWA section 401, a CWA section 401 water quality certification for the proposed discharge must be obtained or waived (see 33 CFR 330.4(c)). If the permittee cannot comply with all of the conditions of a water quality certification previously issued by certifying authority for the issuance of the NWP, then the permittee must obtain a water quality certification or waiver for the proposed discharge in order for the activity to be authorized by an NWP.

(b) If the NWP activity requires pre-construction notification and the certifying authority has not previously certified compliance of an NWP with CWA section 401, the proposed discharge is not authorized by an NWP until water quality certification is obtained or waived. If the certifying authority issues a water quality certification for the proposed discharge, the permittee must submit a copy of the certification to the district engineer. The discharge is not authorized by an NWP until the district engineer has notified the permittee that the water quality certification requirement has been satisfied by the issuance of a water quality certification or a waiver.

(c) The district engineer or certifying authority may require additional water quality management measures to ensure that the authorized activity does not result in more than minimal degradation of water quality.

26. <u>Coastal Zone Management</u>. In coastal states where an NWP has not previously received a state coastal zone management consistency concurrence, an individual state coastal zone management consistency concurrence must be obtained, or a presumption of concurrence must occur (see 33 CFR 330.4(d)). If the permittee cannot comply with all of the conditions of a coastal zone management consistency concurrence previously issued by the state, then the permittee must obtain an individual coastal zone management consistency concurrence or presumption of concurrence in order for the activity to be authorized by an NWP. The district engineer or a state may require additional measures to ensure that the authorized activity is consistent with state coastal zone management requirements.

27. <u>Regional and Case-By-Case Conditions</u>. The activity must comply with any regional conditions that may have been added by the Division Engineer (see 33 CFR 330.4(e)) and with any case specific conditions added by the Corps or by the state, Indian Tribe, or U.S. EPA in its CWA section 401 Water Quality Certification, or by the state in its Coastal Zone Management Act consistency determination.

28. <u>Use of Multiple Nationwide Permits</u>. The use of more than one NWP for a single and complete project is authorized, subject to the following restrictions:

(a) If only one of the NWPs used to authorize the single and complete project has a specified acreage limit, the acreage loss of waters of the United States cannot exceed

the acreage limit of the NWP with the highest specified acreage limit. For example, if a road crossing over tidal waters is constructed under NWP 14, with associated bank stabilization authorized by NWP 13, the maximum acreage loss of waters of the United States for the total project cannot exceed 1/3-acre.

(b) If one or more of the NWPs used to authorize the single and complete project has specified acreage limits, the acreage loss of waters of the United States authorized by those NWPs cannot exceed their respective specified acreage limits. For example, if a commercial development is constructed under NWP 39, and the single and complete project includes the filling of an upland ditch authorized by NWP 46, the maximum acreage loss of waters of the United States for the commercial development under NWP 39 cannot exceed 1/2-acre, and the total acreage loss of waters of United States due to the NWP 39 and 46 activities cannot exceed 1 acre.

29. <u>Transfer of Nationwide Permit Verifications</u>. If the permittee sells the property associated with a nationwide permit verification, the permittee may transfer the nationwide permit verification to the new owner by submitting a letter to the appropriate Corps district office to validate the transfer. A copy of the nationwide permit verification must be attached to the letter, and the letter must contain the following statement and signature:

"When the structures or work authorized by this nationwide permit are still in existence at the time the property is transferred, the terms and conditions of this nationwide permit, including any special conditions, will continue to be binding on the new owner(s) of the property. To validate the transfer of this nationwide permit and the associated liabilities associated with compliance with its terms and conditions, have the transferee sign and date below."

(Transferee)

(Date)

30. <u>Compliance Certification</u>. Each permittee who receives an NWP verification letter from the Corps must provide a signed certification documenting completion of the authorized activity and implementation of any required compensatory mitigation. The success of any required permittee-responsible mitigation, including the achievement of ecological performance standards, will be addressed separately by the district engineer. The Corps will provide the permittee the certification document with the NWP verification letter. The certification document will include:

(a) A statement that the authorized activity was done in accordance with the NWP authorization, including any general, regional, or activity-specific conditions;

(b) A statement that the implementation of any required compensatory mitigation was completed in accordance with the permit conditions. If credits from a mitigation bank or in-lieu fee program are used to satisfy the compensatory mitigation requirements, the certification must include the documentation required by 33 CFR 332.3(I)(3) to confirm that the permittee secured the appropriate number and resource type of credits; and

(c) The signature of the permittee certifying the completion of the activity and mitigation.

The completed certification document must be submitted to the district engineer within 30 days of completion of the authorized activity or the implementation of any required compensatory mitigation, whichever occurs later.

31. <u>Activities Affecting Structures or Works Built by the United States</u>. If an NWP activity also requires review by, or permission from, the Corps pursuant to 33 U.S.C. 408 because it will alter or temporarily or permanently occupy or use a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) federally authorized Civil Works project (a "USACE project"), the prospective permittee must submit a pre-construction notification. See paragraph (b)(10) of general condition 32. An activity that requires section 408 permission and/or review is not authorized by an NWP until the appropriate Corps office issues the section 408 permission or completes its review to alter, occupy, or use the USACE project, and the district engineer issues a written NWP verification.

32. <u>Pre-Construction Notification</u>. (a) *Timing*. Where required by the terms of the NWP, the prospective permittee must notify the district engineer by submitting a preconstruction notification (PCN) as early as possible. The district engineer must determine if the PCN is complete within 30 calendar days of the date of receipt and, if the PCN is determined to be incomplete, notify the prospective permittee within that 30 day period to request the additional information necessary to make the PCN complete. The request must specify the information needed to make the PCN complete. As a general rule, district engineers will request additional information necessary to make the PCN complete all of the requested information, then the district engineer will notify the prospective permittee that the PCN is still incomplete and the PCN review process will not commence until all of the requested information has been received by the district engineer. The prospective permittee shall not begin the activity until either:

(1) He or she is notified in writing by the district engineer that the activity may proceed under the NWP with any special conditions imposed by the district or division engineer; or

(2) 45 calendar days have passed from the district engineer's receipt of the complete PCN and the prospective permittee has not received written notice from the district or division engineer. However, if the permittee was required to notify the Corps pursuant to

general condition 18 that listed species or critical habitat might be affected or are in the vicinity of the activity, or to notify the Corps pursuant to general condition 20 that the activity might have the potential to cause effects to historic properties, the permittee cannot begin the activity until receiving written notification from the Corps that there is "no effect" on listed species or "no potential to cause effects" on historic properties, or that any consultation required under Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act (see 33 CFR 330.4(f)) and/or section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (see 33 CFR 330.4(g)) has been completed. If the proposed activity requires a written waiver to exceed specified limits of an NWP, the permittee may not begin the activity until the district engineer issues the waiver. If the district or division engineer notifies the permittee in writing that an individual permit is required within 45 calendar days of receipt of a complete PCN, the permittee cannot begin the activity until an individual permit has been obtained. Subsequently, the permittee's right to proceed under the NWP may be modified, suspended, or revoked only in accordance with the procedure set forth in 33 CFR 330.5(d)(2).

(b) *Contents of Pre-Construction Notification*: The PCN must be in writing and include the following information:

(1) Name, address and telephone numbers of the prospective permittee;

(2) Location of the proposed activity;

(3) Identify the specific NWP or NWP(s) the prospective permittee wants to use to authorize the proposed activity;

(4) (i) A description of the proposed activity; the activity's purpose; direct and indirect adverse environmental effects the activity would cause, including the anticipated amount of loss of wetlands, other special aquatic sites, and other waters expected to result from the NWP activity, in acres, linear feet, or other appropriate unit of measure; a description of any proposed mitigation measures intended to reduce the adverse environmental effects caused by the proposed activity; and any other NWP(s), regional general permit(s), or individual permit(s) used or intended to be used to authorize any part of the proposed project or any related activity, including other separate and distant crossings for linear projects that require Department of the Army authorization but do not require pre-construction notification. The description of the proposed activity and any proposed mitigation measures should be sufficiently detailed to allow the district engineer to determine that the adverse environmental effects of the activity will be no more than minimal and to determine the need for compensatory mitigation or other mitigation measures.

(ii) For linear projects where one or more single and complete crossings require preconstruction notification, the PCN must include the quantity of anticipated losses of wetlands, other special aquatic sites, and other waters for each single and complete crossing of those wetlands, other special aquatic sites, and other waters (including those single and complete crossings authorized by an NWP but do not require PCNs). This information will be used by the district engineer to evaluate the cumulative adverse environmental effects of the proposed linear project, and does not change those non-PCN NWP activities into NWP PCNs.

(iii) Sketches should be provided when necessary to show that the activity complies with the terms of the NWP. (Sketches usually clarify the activity and when provided results in a quicker decision. Sketches should contain sufficient detail to provide an illustrative description of the proposed activity (e.g., a conceptual plan), but do not need to be detailed engineering plans);

(5) The PCN must include a delineation of wetlands, other special aquatic sites, and other waters, such as lakes and ponds, and perennial and intermittent streams, on the project site. Wetland delineations must be prepared in accordance with the current method required by the Corps. The permittee may ask the Corps to delineate the special aquatic sites and other waters on the project site, but there may be a delay if the Corps does the delineation, especially if the project site is large or contains many wetlands, other special aquatic sites, and other waters. Furthermore, the 45-day period will not start until the delineation has been submitted to or completed by the Corps, as appropriate;

(6) If the proposed activity will result in the loss of greater than 1/10-acre of wetlands or 3/100-acre of stream bed and a PCN is required, the prospective permittee must submit a statement describing how the mitigation requirement will be satisfied, or explaining why the adverse environmental effects are no more than minimal and why compensatory mitigation should not be required. As an alternative, the prospective permittee may submit a conceptual or detailed mitigation plan.

(7) For non-federal permittees, if any listed species (or species proposed for listing) or designated critical habitat (or critical habitat proposed for such designation) might be affected or is in the vicinity of the activity, or if the activity is located in designated critical habitat (or critical habitat proposed for such designation), the PCN must include the name(s) of those endangered or threatened species (or species proposed for listing) that might be affected by the proposed activity or utilize the designated critical habitat (or critical habitat proposed for such designation) that might be affected by the proposed for such designation) that might be affected by the proposed for such designation) that might be affected by the proposed for such designation. Federal permittees must provide documentation demonstrating compliance with the Endangered Species Act;

(8) For non-federal permittees, if the NWP activity might have the potential to cause effects to a historic property listed on, determined to be eligible for listing on, or potentially eligible for listing on, the National Register of Historic Places, the PCN must state which historic property might have the potential to be affected by the proposed activity or include a vicinity map indicating the location of the historic property. For NWP activities that require pre-construction notification, Federal permittees must provide documentation demonstrating compliance with section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act;

(9) For an activity that will occur in a component of the National Wild and Scenic River System, or in a river officially designated by Congress as a "study river" for possible inclusion in the system while the river is in an official study status, the PCN must identify the Wild and Scenic River or the "study river" (see general condition 16); and

(10) For an NWP activity that requires permission from, or review by, the Corps pursuant to 33 U.S.C. 408 because it will alter or temporarily or permanently occupy or use a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers federally authorized civil works project, the preconstruction notification must include a statement confirming that the project proponent has submitted a written request for section 408 permission from, or review by, the Corps office having jurisdiction over that USACE project.

(c) *Form of Pre-Construction Notification*: The nationwide permit pre-construction notification form (Form ENG 6082) should be used for NWP PCNs. A letter containing the required information may also be used. Applicants may provide electronic files of PCNs and supporting materials if the district engineer has established tools and procedures for electronic submittals.

(d) *Agency Coordination*: (1) The district engineer will consider any comments from Federal and state agencies concerning the proposed activity's compliance with the terms and conditions of the NWPs and the need for mitigation to reduce the activity's adverse environmental effects so that they are no more than minimal.

(2) Agency coordination is required for: (i) all NWP activities that require preconstruction notification and result in the loss of greater than 1/2-acre of waters of the United States; (ii) NWP 13 activities in excess of 500 linear feet, fills greater than one cubic yard per running foot, or involve discharges of dredged or fill material into special aquatic sites; and (iii) NWP 54 activities in excess of 500 linear feet, or that extend into the waterbody more than 30 feet from the mean low water line in tidal waters or the ordinary high water mark in the Great Lakes.

(3) When agency coordination is required, the district engineer will immediately provide (e.g., via e-mail, facsimile transmission, overnight mail, or other expeditious manner) a copy of the complete PCN to the appropriate Federal or state offices (FWS, state natural resource or water quality agency, EPA, and, if appropriate, the NMFS). With the exception of NWP 37, these agencies will have 10 calendar days from the date the material is transmitted to notify the district engineer via telephone, facsimile transmission, or e-mail that they intend to provide substantive, site-specific comments. The comments must explain why the agency believes the adverse environmental effects will be more than minimal. If so contacted by an agency, the district engineer will wait an additional 15 calendar days before making a decision on the pre-construction notification. The district engineer will fully consider agency comments received within the specified time frame concerning the proposed activity's compliance with the terms and conditions of the NWPs, including the need for mitigation to ensure that the net adverse environmental effects of the proposed activity are no more than minimal. The

district engineer will provide no response to the resource agency, except as provided below. The district engineer will indicate in the administrative record associated with each pre-construction notification that the resource agencies' concerns were considered. For NWP 37, the emergency watershed protection and rehabilitation activity may proceed immediately in cases where there is an unacceptable hazard to life or a significant loss of property or economic hardship will occur. The district engineer will consider any comments received to decide whether the NWP 37 authorization should be modified, suspended, or revoked in accordance with the procedures at 33 CFR 330.5.

(4) In cases of where the prospective permittee is not a Federal agency, the district engineer will provide a response to NMFS within 30 calendar days of receipt of any Essential Fish Habitat conservation recommendations, as required by section 305(b)(4)(B) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act.

(5) Applicants are encouraged to provide the Corps with either electronic files or multiple copies of pre-construction notifications to expedite agency coordination.

# 2021 District Engineer's Decision

1. In reviewing the PCN for the proposed activity, the district engineer will determine whether the activity authorized by the NWP will result in more than minimal individual or cumulative adverse environmental effects or may be contrary to the public interest. If a project proponent requests authorization by a specific NWP, the district engineer should issue the NWP verification for that activity if it meets the terms and conditions of that NWP, unless he or she determines, after considering mitigation, that the proposed activity will result in more than minimal individual and cumulative adverse effects on the aquatic environment and other aspects of the public interest and exercises discretionary authority to require an individual permit for the proposed activity. For a linear project, this determination will include an evaluation of the single and complete crossings of waters of the United States that require PCNs to determine whether they individually satisfy the terms and conditions of the NWP(s), as well as the cumulative effects caused by all of the crossings of waters of the United States authorized by an NWP. If an applicant requests a waiver of an applicable limit, as provided for in NWPs 13, 36, or 54, the district engineer will only grant the waiver upon a written determination that the NWP activity will result in only minimal individual and cumulative adverse environmental effects.

2. When making minimal adverse environmental effects determinations the district engineer will consider the direct and indirect effects caused by the NWP activity. He or she will also consider the cumulative adverse environmental effects caused by activities authorized by an NWP and whether those cumulative adverse environmental effects are no more than minimal. The district engineer will also consider site specific factors, such as the environmental setting in the vicinity of the NWP activity, the type of resource that will be affected by the NWP activity, the functions provided by the aquatic resources that will be affected by the NWP activity, the degree or magnitude to which the aquatic resources perform those functions, the extent that aquatic resource functions will be lost as a result of the NWP activity (e.g., partial or complete loss), the duration of the adverse effects (temporary or permanent), the importance of the aquatic resource functions to the region (e.g., watershed or ecoregion), and mitigation required by the district engineer. If an appropriate functional or condition assessment method is available and practicable to use, that assessment method may be used by the district engineer to assist in the minimal adverse environmental effects determination. The district engineer may add case-specific special conditions to the NWP authorization to address site-specific environmental concerns.

3. If the proposed activity requires a PCN and will result in a loss of greater than 1/10acre of wetlands or 3/100-acre of stream bed, the prospective permittee should submit a mitigation proposal with the PCN. Applicants may also propose compensatory mitigation for NWP activities with smaller impacts, or for impacts to other types of waters. The district engineer will consider any proposed compensatory mitigation or other mitigation measures the applicant has included in the proposal in determining whether the net adverse environmental effects of the proposed activity are no more than minimal. The compensatory mitigation proposal may be either conceptual or detailed. If the district engineer determines that the activity complies with the terms and conditions of the NWP and that the adverse environmental effects are no more than minimal, after considering mitigation, the district engineer will notify the permittee and include any activity-specific conditions in the NWP verification the district engineer deems necessary. Conditions for compensatory mitigation requirements must comply with the appropriate provisions at 33 CFR 332.3(k). The district engineer must approve the final mitigation plan before the permittee commences work in waters of the United States, unless the district engineer determines that prior approval of the final mitigation plan is not practicable or not necessary to ensure timely completion of the required compensatory mitigation. If the prospective permittee elects to submit a compensatory mitigation plan with the PCN, the district engineer will expeditiously review the proposed compensatory mitigation plan. The district engineer must review the proposed compensatory mitigation plan within 45 calendar days of receiving a complete PCN and determine whether the proposed mitigation would ensure that the NWP activity results in no more than minimal adverse environmental effects. If the net adverse environmental effects of the NWP activity (after consideration of the mitigation proposal) are determined by the district engineer to be no more than minimal, the district engineer will provide a timely written response to the applicant. The response will state that the NWP activity can proceed under the terms and conditions of the NWP, including any activity-specific conditions added to the NWP authorization by the district engineer.

4. If the district engineer determines that the adverse environmental effects of the proposed activity are more than minimal, then the district engineer will notify the applicant either: (a) that the activity does not qualify for authorization under the NWP and instruct the applicant on the procedures to seek authorization under an individual permit; (b) that the activity is authorized under the NWP subject to the applicant's submission of a mitigation plan that would reduce the adverse environmental effects so that they are no more than minimal; or (c) that the activity is authorized under the NWP

with specific modifications or conditions. Where the district engineer determines that mitigation is required to ensure no more than minimal adverse environmental effects, the activity will be authorized within the 45-day PCN period (unless additional time is required to comply with general conditions 18, 20, and/or 31), with activity-specific conditions that state the mitigation requirements. The authorization will include the necessary conceptual or detailed mitigation plan or a requirement that the applicant submit a mitigation plan that would reduce the adverse environmental effects so that they are no more than minimal. When compensatory mitigation is required, no work in waters of the United States may occur until the district engineer has approved a specific mitigation plan or has determined that prior approval of a final mitigation plan is not practicable or not necessary to ensure timely completion of the required compensatory mitigation.

## **2021 Further Information**

1. District engineers have authority to determine if an activity complies with the terms and conditions of an NWP.

2. NWPs do not obviate the need to obtain other federal, state, or local permits, approvals, or authorizations required by law.

3. NWPs do not grant any property rights or exclusive privileges.

4. NWPs do not authorize any injury to the property or rights of others.

5. NWPs do not authorize interference with any existing or proposed Federal project (see general condition 31).



# State of Mississippi

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## MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

CHRIS WELLS, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR October 12, 2021

Jennifer Mallard U.S Army Corps of Engineers, Vicksburg District 4155 Clay Street Vicksburg, Mississippi 39183-3435

## Re: US Army Corps of Engineers Nationwide Permit No. 3 WQC No. WQC2021032

Pursuant to Section 401 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U. S. C. 1251, 1341), the Office of Pollution Control (OPC) issues this Certification, after public notice and opportunity for public hearing, to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, an applicant for a Federal License or permit to conduct the following activity:

US Army COE, Nationwide Permits:

Nationwide Permits (NWPs) are general permits issued on a nationwide basis to streamline the authorization of activities that have no more than minimal and cumulative adverse effects on the aquatic environment. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers issues NWPs to authorize certain activities that require Department of the Army permits under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act and/or Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899.

ENVIRONMENTAL QUALIT

3. Maintenance.

(a) The repair, rehabilitation, or replacement of any previously authorized, currently serviceable structure or fill, or of any currently serviceable structure or fill authorized by 33 CFR 330.3, provided that the structure or fill is not to be put to uses differing from those uses specified or contemplated for it in the original permit or the most recently authorized modification. Minor deviations in the structure's configuration or filled area, including those due to changes in materials, construction techniques, requirements of other regulatory agencies, or current construction codes or safety standards that are necessary to make the repair, rehabilitation, or replacement are authorized.

This NWP authorizes the removal of previously authorized structures or fills. Any stream channel modification is limited to the minimum necessary for the repair, rehabilitation, or replacement of the structure or fill; such modifications, including the removal of material from the stream channel, must be immediately adjacent to the project. This NWP also authorizes the removal of accumulated sediment and debris within, and in the immediate vicinity of, the structure or fill. This NWP also authorizes the repair, rehabilitation, or replacement of those structures or fills destroyed or damaged by storms, floods, fire or other discrete events, provided the repair, rehabilitation, or replacement is commenced, or is under contract to commence, within two years of the date of their destruction or damage. In cases of catastrophic events, such as hurricanes or tornadoes, this two-year limit may be waived by the district engineer, provided the permittee can demonstrate funding, contract, or other similar delays.

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(b) This NWP also authorizes the removal of accumulated sediments and debris outside the immediate vicinity of existing structures (e.g., bridges, culverted road crossings, water intake structures, etc.). The removal of sediment is limited to the minimum necessary to restore the waterway in the vicinity of the structure to the approximate dimensions that existed when the structure was built, but cannot extend farther than 200 feet in any direction from the structure. This 200 foot limit does not apply to maintenance dredging to remove accumulated sediments blocking or restricting outfall and intake structures or to maintenance dredging to remove accumulated with outfall and intake structures. All dredged or excavated materials must be deposited and retained in an area that has no waters of the United States unless otherwise specifically approved by the district engineer under separate authorization.

(c) This NWP also authorizes temporary structures, fills, and work, including the use of temporary mats, necessary to conduct the maintenance activity. Appropriate measures must be taken to maintain normal downstream flows and minimize flooding to the maximum extent practicable, when temporary structures, work, and discharges of dredged or fill material, including cofferdams, are necessary for construction activities, access fills, or dewatering of construction sites. Temporary fills must consist of materials, and be placed in a manner, that will not be eroded by expected high flows. After conducting the maintenance activity, temporary fills must be removed in their entirety and the affected areas returned to pre-construction elevations. The areas affected by temporary fills must be revegetated, as appropriate.

(d) This NWP does not authorize maintenance dredging for the primary purpose of navigation. This NWP does not authorize beach restoration. This NWP does not authorize new stream channelization or stream relocation projects. *Notification*: For activities authorized by paragraph (b) of this NWP, the permittee must submit a pre-construction notification to the district engineer prior to commencing the activity (see general condition 32). The pre-construction notification must include information regarding the original design capacities and configurations of the outfalls, intakes, small impoundments, and canals. (Authorities: Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 and Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (Sections 10 and 404))

**Note**: This NWP authorizes the repair, rehabilitation, or replacement of any previously authorized structure or fill that does not qualify for the Clean Water Act Section 404(f) exemption for maintenance. [NWP No. 3, WQC2021032].

The Office of Pollution Control certifies that the above-described activity will be in compliance with the applicable provisions of Sections 301, 302, 303, 306, and 307 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act and Section 49-17-29 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, if the applicant complies with the following conditions:

- 1. The permittee shall obtain appropriate wastewater permits and/or approvals for the proposed activity prior to the commencement of construction activities. (11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 6, R. 1.1.1.B) (Statement A)
- 2. For projects greater than five acres of total ground disturbances including clearing, grading, excavating, or other construction activities, the applicant shall obtain the necessary coverage under the State of Mississippi's Large Construction Storm Water General NPDES Permit. For projects greater than one, to less the five acres of total ground disturbances including clearing, grading, excavating, or other construction activities, the applicant shall follow the conditions and limitations of the State of Mississippi's Small Construction Storm Water General NPDES Permit. No construction activities shall begin until the necessary approvals and/or permits have been obtained. (11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 6, R. 1.1.1.B.) (Statement A & B)
- 3. Turbidity outside the limits of a 750-foot mixing zone shall not exceed the ambient turbidity by more than 50 Nephelometric Turbidity Units. (11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 6, R. 2.2.A.) (Statement C)
- 4. No sewage, oil, refuse, or other pollutants shall be discharged into the watercourse. (11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 6, R. 2.2.A.(3)) (Statement C)

As part of the Scope of Review for Application Decisions, 11 Mississippi Administrative Code Part 6, Rule 1.3.4(B), the above conditions are necessary for the

Department to ensure that appropriate measures will be taken to eliminate unreasonable degradation and irreparable harm to waters of the State, such that the activity will not meet the criteria for denial:

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(A) Denial of wastewater permits and/or approvals by the State with regard to the proposed activities.

(B) Nonpoint source/storm water management practices necessary to protect water quality have not been proposed.

(C) The proposed activity permanently alters the aquatic ecosystem such that water quality criteria are violated and/or it no longer supports its existing or classified uses. An example is the channelization of streams

The Office of Pollution Control also certifies that there are no limitations under Section 302 nor standards under Sections 306 and 307 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act which are applicable to the applicant's above-described activity.

This certification is valid for the project as proposed. Any deviations without proper modifications and/or approvals may result in a violation of the 401 Water Quality Certification. If you have any questions, please contact the Department.

Sincerely,

Krustal Kudolph

Krystal Rudolph, P.E., BCEE Chief, Environmental Permits Division

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cc: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Mobile District
 U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Memphis District
 U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Nashville District
 U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New Orleans District
 Mississippi Department of Marine Resources
 U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
 U.S Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4

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State: Mississippi

Construction Type: Highway

Counties: Claiborne, Covington, Franklin, Issaquena, Sharkey, Walthall and Wilkinson Counties in Mississippi.

#### HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

Note: Contracts subject to the Davis-Bacon Act are generally required to pay at least the applicable minimum wage rate required under Executive Order 14026 or Executive Order 13658. Please note that these Executive Orders apply to covered contracts entered into by the federal government that are subject to the Davis-Bacon Act itself, but do not apply to contracts subject only to the Davis-Bacon Related Acts, including those set forth at 29 CFR 5.1(a)(1).

If the contract is entered into on or after January 30, 2022, or the contract is renewed or extended (e.g., an option is exercised) on or after January 30, 2022:	<ul> <li>Executive Order 14026</li> <li>generally applies to the</li> <li>contract.</li> <li>The contractor must pay</li> <li>all covered workers at</li> <li>least \$17.75 per hour (or</li> <li>the applicable wage rate</li> <li>listed on this wage</li> <li>determination, if it is</li> <li>higher) for all hours</li> <li>spent performing on the</li> <li>contract in 2025.</li> </ul>
If the contract was awarded on or between January 1, 2015 and January 29, 2022, and the contract is not renewed or extended on or after January 30, 2022:	

The applicable Executive Order minimum wage rate will be adjusted annually. If this contract is covered by one of the Executive Orders and a classification considered necessary for performance of work on the contract does not appear on this wage determination, the contractor must still submit a conformance request.

Additional information on contractor requirements and worker protections under the Executive Orders is available at http://www.dol.gov/whd/govcontracts.

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F	Rates	Fringes
CARPENTER (Form Work Only)\$	12.26 **	0.12
CARPENTER, Excludes Form Work\$	14.21 **	0.00
CEMENT MASON/CONCRETE FINISHER\$	13.23 **	0.00
ELECTRICIAN\$	22.64	7.73
HIGHWAY/PARKING LOT STRIPING: Truck Driver (Line Striping	4.2 62 **	0.00
Truck)\$		0.00
INSTALLER - GUARDRAIL\$		0.00
INSTALLER - SIGN\$		0.00
IRONWORKER, REINFORCING\$	16.43 **	0.00
LABORER: Asphalt, Includes Raker, Shoveler, Spreader and Distributor\$	10.26 **	0.00
LABORER: Common or General, including concrete work\$	10.24 **	0.00
LABORER: Flagger\$	9.83 **	0.00
LABORER: Grade Checker\$	10.67 **	0.00
LABORER: Landscape\$	9.82 **	0.00
LABORER: Mason Tender - Cement/Concrete\$	11.69 **	0.00
LABORER: Pipelayer\$	13.13 **	0.00
LABORER: Laborer-Cones/ Barricades/Barrels - Setter/Mover/Sweeper\$	10.53 **	0.00
OPERATOR: Asphalt Spreader\$	16.13 **	0.00
OPERATOR: Backhoe/Excavator/Trackhoe\$	13.28 **	0.00
OPERATOR: Broom/Sweeper\$	10.17 **	0.00
OPERATOR: Bulldozer\$	13.30 **	0.00
OPERATOR: Concrete Saw\$	13.60 **	0.00
OPERATOR: Crane\$	16.00 **	0.00
OPERATOR: Distributor\$	11.70 **	0.00
OPERATOR: Drill\$	19.22	0.00
OPERATOR: Grader/Blade\$	13.84 **	0.00
OPERATOR: Loader\$	11.73 **	78 <sup>0.00</sup>
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OPERATOR:	Mechanic\$	16.28 **	0.00
OPERATOR:	Milling Machine\$	15.38 **	0.00
OPERATOR:	Mixer\$	14.85 **	0.00
OPERATOR:	Oiler\$	13.08 **	0.48
	Paver (Asphalt, and Concrete)\$	13.01 **	0.00
OPERATOR:	Piledriver\$	15.13 **	0.00
OPERATOR:	Roller (All Types)\$	11.05 **	0.00
OPERATOR:	Scraper\$	12.63 **	0.00
OPERATOR:	Tractor\$	9.98 **	0.00
OPERATOR:	Trencher\$	15.00 **	0.00
TRUCK DRIVE	R: Flatbed Truck\$	13.29 **	0.00
TRUCK DRIVE	R: Lowboy Truck\$	12.49 **	0.00
TRUCK DRIVE	R: Mechanic\$	12.35 **	0.00
	R: Off the Road	12.31 **	0.00
TRUCK DRIVE	R: Water Truck\$	13.15 **	0.00
	R: Dump Truck (All	11.64 **	0.00
Truck	R: Semi/Trailer	17.34 **	0.00

WELDERS - Receive rate prescribed for craft performing operation to which welding is incidental.

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\*\* Workers in this classification may be entitled to a higher minimum wage under Executive Order 14026 (\$17.75) or 13658 (\$13.30). Please see the Note at the top of the wage determination for more information. Please also note that the minimum wage requirements of Executive Order 14026 are not currently being enforced as to any contract or subcontract to which the states of Texas, Louisiana, or Mississippi, including their agencies, are a party.

Note: Executive Order (EO) 13706, Establishing Paid Sick Leave for Federal Contractors applies to all contracts subject to the Davis-Bacon Act for which the contract is awarded (and any solicitation was issued) on or after January 1, 2017. If this contract is covered by the EO, the contractor must provide employees with 1 hour of paid sick leave for every 30 hours they work, up to 56 hours of paid sick leave each year. Employees must be permitted to use paid sick leave for their own illness, injury or other health-related needs, including preventive care; to assist a family member (or person who is like family to the employee) who is ill, injured, **po** has other health-related needs, including preventive care; or for reasons resulting from, or to assist a family member (or person who is like family to the employee) who is a victim of, domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking. Additional information on contractor requirements and worker protections under the EO is available at https://www.dol.gov/agencies/whd/government-contracts.

Unlisted classifications needed for work not included within the scope of the classifications listed may be added after award only as provided in the labor standards contract clauses (29CFR 5.5 (a) (1) (iii)).

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The body of each wage determination lists the classifications and wage rates that have been found to be prevailing for the type(s) of construction and geographic area covered by the wage determination. The classifications are listed in alphabetical order under rate identifiers indicating whether the particular rate is a union rate (current union negotiated rate), a survey rate, a weighted union average rate, a state adopted rate, or a supplemental classification rate.

#### Union Rate Identifiers

A four-letter identifier beginning with characters other than ""SU"", ""UAVG"", ?SA?, or ?SC? denotes that a union rate was prevailing for that classification in the survey. Example: PLUM0198-005 07/01/2024. PLUM is an identifier of the union whose collectively bargained rate prevailed in the survey for this classification, which in this example would be Plumbers. 0198 indicates the local union number or district council number where applicable, i.e., Plumbers Local 0198. The next number, 005 in the example, is an internal number used in processing the wage determination. The date, 07/01/2024 in the example, is the effective date of the most current negotiated rate.

Union prevailing wage rates are updated to reflect all changes over time that are reported to WHD in the rates in the collective bargaining agreement (CBA) governing the classification.

Union Average Rate Identifiers

The UAVG identifier indicates that no single rate prevailed for those classifications, but that 100% of the data reported for the classifications reflected union rates. EXAMPLE: UAVG-OH-0010 01/01/2024. UAVG indicates that the rate is a weighted union average rate. OH indicates the State of Ohio. The next number, 0010 in the example, is an internal number used in producing the wage determination. The date, 01/01/2024 in the example, indicates the date the wage determination was updated to reflect the most current union average rate.

A UAVG rate will be updated once a year, usually in January, to reflect a weighted average of the current rates in the collective bargaining agreements on which the rate is based.

#### Survey Rate Identifiers

The ""SU"" identifier indicates that either a single non-union rate prevailed (as defined in 29 CFR 1.2) for this 80

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classification in the survey or that the rate was derived by computing a weighted average rate based on all the rates reported in the survey for that classification. As a weighted average rate includes all rates reported in the survey, it may include both union and non-union rates. Example: SUFL2022-007 6/27/2024. SU indicates the rate is a single non-union prevailing rate or a weighted average of survey data for that classification. FL indicates the State of Florida. 2022 is the year of the survey on which these classifications and rates are based. The next number, 007 in the example, is an internal number used in producing the wage determination. The date, 6/27/2024 in the example, indicates the survey completion date for the classifications and rates under that identifier.

?SU? wage rates typically remain in effect until a new survey is conducted. However, the Wage and Hour Division (WHD) has the discretion to update such rates under 29 CFR 1.6(c)(1).

#### State Adopted Rate Identifiers

The ""SA"" identifier indicates that the classifications and prevailing wage rates set by a state (or local) government were adopted under 29 C.F.R 1.3(g)-(h). Example: SAME2023-007 01/03/2024. SA reflects that the rates are state adopted. ME refers to the State of Maine. 2023 is the year during which the state completed the survey on which the listed classifications and rates are based. The next number, 007 in the example, is an internal number used in producing the wage determination. The date, 01/03/2024 in the example, reflects the date on which the classifications and rates under the ?SA? identifier took effect under state law in the state from which the rates were adopted.

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#### WAGE DETERMINATION APPEALS PROCESS

1) Has there been an initial decision in the matter? This can be:

a) a survey underlying a wage determination
b) an existing published wage determination
c) an initial WHD letter setting forth a position on
a wage determination matter
d) an initial conformance (additional classification and rate) determination

On survey related matters, initial contact, including requests for summaries of surveys, should be directed to the WHD Branch of Wage Surveys. Requests can be submitted via email to davisbaconinfo@dol.gov or by mail to:

> Branch of Wage Surveys Wage and Hour Division U.S. Department of Labor 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W. Washington, DC 20210

Regarding any other wage determination matter such as conformance decisions, requests for initial decisions should be directed to the WHD Branch of Construction Wage Determinations. Requests can be submitted via email to BCWD-Office@dol.gov or by mail to:

Branch of Construction Wage Determination

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Wage and Hour Division U.S. Department of Labor 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W. Washington, DC 20210

2) If an initial decision has been issued, then any interested party (those affected by the action) that disagrees with the decision can request review and reconsideration from the Wage and Hour Administrator (See 29 CFR Part 1.8 and 29 CFR Part 7). Requests for review and reconsideration can be submitted via email to dba.reconsideration@dol.gov or by mail to:

> Wage and Hour Administrator U.S. Department of Labor 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W. Washington, DC 20210

The request should be accompanied by a full statement of the interested party's position and any information (wage payment data, project description, area practice material, etc.) that the requestor considers relevant to the issue.

3) If the decision of the Administrator is not favorable, an interested party may appeal directly to the Administrative Review Board (formerly the Wage Appeals Board). Write to:

Administrative Review Board U.S. Department of Labor 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W. Washington, DC 20210.

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END OF GENERAL DECISION"

## **SUPPLEMENT TO FORM FHWA-1273**

DATE: 07/26/2022

## SUBJECT: Federal Contract Provisions for Subcontracts

## **Federal Contract Provisions for Subcontracts**

All subcontracts shall be in writing and contain all pertinent provisions and requirements of the prime contract.

Each "Request for Permission to Subcontract" (Mississippi Department of Transportation Form CAD-720) shall include a copy of the subcontract. The federal contract provisions (FHWA-1273, SUPPLEMENT TO FORM FHWA-1273, NOTICE OF REQUIREMENT FOR AFFIRMATIVE ACTION TO ENSURE EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY (EXECUTIVE ORDER 11246), DAVIS-BACON AND RELATED ACT PROVISIONS (WAGE RATES)) must be physically incorporated as part of the subcontract. A completed Mississippi Department of Transportation Form CAD-521 and Form CAD-725 must be attached to the CAD-720.

#### REQUIRED CONTRACT PROVISIONS FEDERAL-AID CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS

- I. General
- II. Nondiscrimination
- III. Non-segregated Facilities
- IV. Davis-Bacon and Related Act Provisions
- V. Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act Provisions
- VI. Subletting or Assigning the Contract
- VII. Safety: Accident Prevention
- VIII. False Statements Concerning Highway Projects
- IX. Implementation of Clean Air Act and Federal Water Pollution Control Act
- X. Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion
- XI. Certification Regarding Use of Contract Funds for Lobbying
- XII. Use of United States-Flag Vessels:

#### ATTACHMENTS

A. Employment and Materials Preference for Appalachian Development Highway System or Appalachian Local Access Road Contracts (included in Appalachian contracts only)

#### I. GENERAL

1. Form FHWA-1273 must be physically incorporated in each construction contract funded under title 23, United States Code, as required in 23 CFR 633.102(b) (excluding emergency contracts solely intended for debris removal). The contractor (or subcontractor) must insert this form in each subcontract and further require its inclusion in all lower tier subcontracts (excluding purchase orders, rental agreements and other agreements for supplies or services). 23 CFR 633.102(e).

The applicable requirements of Form FHWA-1273 are incorporated by reference for work done under any purchase order, rental agreement or agreement for other services. The prime contractor shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor, lower-tier subcontractor or service provider. 23 CFR 633.102(e).

Form FHWA-1273 must be included in all Federal-aid designbuild contracts, in all subcontracts and in lower tier subcontracts (excluding subcontracts for design services, purchase orders, rental agreements and other agreements for supplies or services) in accordance with 23 CFR 633.102. The design-builder shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor, lower-tier subcontractor or service provider.

Contracting agencies may reference Form FHWA-1273 in solicitation-for-bids or request-for-proposals documents, however, the Form FHWA-1273 must be physically incorporated (not referenced) in all contracts, subcontracts and lower-tier subcontracts (excluding purchase orders, rental agreements and other agreements for supplies or services related to a construction contract). 23 CFR 633.102(b).

2. Subject to the applicability criteria noted in the following sections, these contract provisions shall apply to all work

performed on the contract by the contractor's own organization and with the assistance of workers under the contractor's immediate superintendence and to all work performed on the contract by piecework, station work, or by subcontract. 23 CFR 633.102(d).

3. A breach of any of the stipulations contained in these Required Contract Provisions may be sufficient grounds for withholding of progress payments, withholding of final payment, termination of the contract, suspension / debarment or any other action determined to be appropriate by the contracting agency and FHWA.

4. Selection of Labor: During the performance of this contract, the contractor shall not use convict labor for any purpose within the limits of a construction project on a Federal-aid highway unless it is labor performed by convicts who are on parole, supervised release, or probation. 23 U.S.C. 114(b). The term Federal-aid highway does not include roadways functionally classified as local roads or rural minor collectors. 23 U.S.C. 101(a).

**II. NONDISCRIMINATION** (23 CFR 230.107(a); 23 CFR Part 230, Subpart A, Appendix A; EO 11246)

The provisions of this section related to 23 CFR Part 230, Subpart A, Appendix A are applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts and to all related construction subcontracts of \$10,000 or more. The provisions of 23 CFR Part 230 are not applicable to material supply, engineering, or architectural service contracts.

In addition, the contractor and all subcontractors must comply with the following policies: Executive Order 11246, 41 CFR Part 60, 29 CFR Parts 1625-1627, 23 U.S.C. 140, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. 794), Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended (42 U.S.C. 2000d et seq.), and related regulations including 49 CFR Parts 21, 26, and 27; and 23 CFR Parts 200, 230, and 633.

The contractor and all subcontractors must comply with: the requirements of the Equal Opportunity Clause in 41 CFR 60-1.4(b) and, for all construction contracts exceeding \$10,000, the Standard Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Construction Contract Specifications in 41 CFR 60-4.3.

Note: The U.S. Department of Labor has exclusive authority to determine compliance with Executive Order 11246 and the policies of the Secretary of Labor including 41 CFR Part 60, and 29 CFR Parts 1625-1627. The contracting agency and the FHWA have the authority and the responsibility to ensure compliance with 23 U.S.C. 140, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. 794), and Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended (42 U.S.C. 2000d et seq.), and related regulations including 49 CFR Parts 21, 26, and 27; and 23 CFR Parts 200, 230, and 633.

The following provision is adopted from 23 CFR Part 230, Subpart A, Appendix A, with appropriate revisions to conform to the U.S. Department of Labor (US DOL) and FHWA requirements. 1. Equal Employment Opportunity: Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) requirements not to discriminate and to take affirmative action to assure equal opportunity as set forth under laws, executive orders, rules, regulations (see 28 CFR Part 35, 29 CFR Part 1630, 29 CFR Parts 1625-1627, 41 CFR Part 60 and 49 CFR Part 27) and orders of the Secretary of Labor as modified by the provisions prescribed herein, and imposed pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 140, shall constitute the EEO and specific affirmative action standards for the contractor's project activities under this contract. The provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12101 et seq.) set forth under 28 CFR Part 35 and 29 CFR Part 1630 are incorporated by reference in this contract. In the execution of this contract, the contractor agrees to comply with the following minimum specific requirement activities of EEO:

a. The contractor will work with the contracting agency and the Federal Government to ensure that it has made every good faith effort to provide equal opportunity with respect to all of its terms and conditions of employment and in their review of activities under the contract. 23 CFR 230.409 (g)(4) & (5).

b. The contractor will accept as its operating policy the following statement:

"It is the policy of this Company to assure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, color, national origin, age or disability. Such action shall include: employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship, pre-apprenticeship, and/or on-the-job training."

2. EEO Officer: The contractor will designate and make known to the contracting officers an EEO Officer who will have the responsibility for and must be capable of effectively administering and promoting an active EEO program and who must be assigned adequate authority and responsibility to do so.

3. Dissemination of Policy: All members of the contractor's staff who are authorized to hire, supervise, promote, and discharge employees, or who recommend such action or are substantially involved in such action, will be made fully cognizant of and will implement the contractor's EEO policy and contractual responsibilities to provide EEO in each grade and classification of employment. To ensure that the above agreement will be met, the following actions will be taken as a minimum:

a. Periodic meetings of supervisory and personnel office employees will be conducted before the start of work and then not less often than once every six months, at which time the contractor's EEO policy and its implementation will be reviewed and explained. The meetings will be conducted by the EEO Officer or other knowledgeable company official.

b. All new supervisory or personnel office employees will be given a thorough indoctrination by the EEO Officer, covering all major aspects of the contractor's EEO obligations within thirty days following their reporting for duty with the contractor.

c. All personnel who are engaged in direct recruitment for the project will be instructed by the EEO Officer in the contractor's procedures for locating and hiring minorities and women. d. Notices and posters setting forth the contractor's EEO policy will be placed in areas readily accessible to employees, applicants for employment and potential employees.

e. The contractor's EEO policy and the procedures to implement such policy will be brought to the attention of employees by means of meetings, employee handbooks, or other appropriate means.

**4. Recruitment:** When advertising for employees, the contractor will include in all advertisements for employees the notation: "An Equal Opportunity Employer." All such advertisements will be placed in publications having a large circulation among minorities and women in the area from which the project work force would normally be derived.

a. The contractor will, unless precluded by a valid bargaining agreement, conduct systematic and direct recruitment through public and private employee referral sources likely to yield qualified minorities and women. To meet this requirement, the contractor will identify sources of potential minority group employees and establish with such identified sources procedures whereby minority and women applicants may be referred to the contractor for employment consideration.

b. In the event the contractor has a valid bargaining agreement providing for exclusive hiring hall referrals, the contractor is expected to observe the provisions of that agreement to the extent that the system meets the contractor's compliance with EEO contract provisions. Where implementation of such an agreement has the effect of discriminating against minorities or women, or obligates the contractor to do the same, such implementation violates Federal nondiscrimination provisions.

c. The contractor will encourage its present employees to refer minorities and women as applicants for employment. Information and procedures with regard to referring such applicants will be discussed with employees.

**5. Personnel Actions:** Wages, working conditions, and employee benefits shall be established and administered, and personnel actions of every type, including hiring, upgrading, promotion, transfer, demotion, layoff, and termination, shall be taken without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, age or disability. The following procedures shall be followed:

a. The contractor will conduct periodic inspections of project sites to ensure that working conditions and employee facilities do not indicate discriminatory treatment of project site personnel.

b. The contractor will periodically evaluate the spread of wages paid within each classification to determine any evidence of discriminatory wage practices.

c. The contractor will periodically review selected personnel actions in depth to determine whether there is evidence of discrimination. Where evidence is found, the contractor will promptly take corrective action. If the review indicates that the discrimination may extend beyond the actions reviewed, such corrective action shall include all affected persons.

d. The contractor will promptly investigate all complaints of alleged discrimination made to the contractor in connection with its obligations under this contract, will attempt to resolve such complaints, and will take appropriate corrective action within a reasonable time. If the investigation indicates that the discrimination may affect persons other than the complainant, such corrective action shall include such other persons. Upon completion of each investigation, the contractor will inform every complainant of all of their avenues of appeal.

#### 6. Training and Promotion:

a. The contractor will assist in locating, qualifying, and increasing the skills of minorities and women who are applicants for employment or current employees. Such efforts should be aimed at developing full journey level status employees in the type of trade or job classification involved.

b. Consistent with the contractor's work force requirements and as permissible under Federal and State regulations, the contractor shall make full use of training programs (i.e., apprenticeship and on-the-job training programs for the geographical area of contract performance). In the event a special provision for training is provided under this contract, this subparagraph will be superseded as indicated in the special provision. The contracting agency may reserve training positions for persons who receive welfare assistance in accordance with 23 U.S.C. 140(a).

c. The contractor will advise employees and applicants for employment of available training programs and entrance requirements for each.

d. The contractor will periodically review the training and promotion potential of employees who are minorities and women and will encourage eligible employees to apply for such training and promotion.

**7. Unions:** If the contractor relies in whole or in part upon unions as a source of employees, the contractor will use good faith efforts to obtain the cooperation of such unions to increase opportunities for minorities and women. 23 CFR 230.409. Actions by the contractor, either directly or through a contractor's association acting as agent, will include the procedures set forth below:

a. The contractor will use good faith efforts to develop, in cooperation with the unions, joint training programs aimed toward qualifying more minorities and women for membership in the unions and increasing the skills of minorities and women so that they may qualify for higher paying employment.

b. The contractor will use good faith efforts to incorporate an EEO clause into each union agreement to the end that such union will be contractually bound to refer applicants without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, age, or disability.

c. The contractor is to obtain information as to the referral practices and policies of the labor union except that to the extent such information is within the exclusive possession of the labor union and such labor union refuses to furnish such information to the contractor, the contractor shall so certify to the contracting agency and shall set forth what efforts have been made to obtain such information.

d. In the event the union is unable to provide the contractor with a reasonable flow of referrals within the time limit set forth in the collective bargaining agreement, the contractor will, through independent recruitment efforts, fill the employment vacancies without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, age, or disability; making full efforts to obtain qualified and/or qualifiable minorities and women. The failure of a union to provide sufficient referrals (even though it is obligated to provide exclusive referrals under the terms of a collective bargaining agreement) does not relieve the contractor from the requirements of this paragraph. In the event the union referral practice prevents the contractor from meeting the obligations pursuant to Executive Order 11246, as amended, and these special provisions, such contractor shall immediately notify the contracting agency.

#### 8. Reasonable Accommodation for Applicants /

**Employees with Disabilities:** The contractor must be familiar with the requirements for and comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act and all rules and regulations established thereunder. Employers must provide reasonable accommodation in all employment activities unless to do so would cause an undue hardship.

9. Selection of Subcontractors, Procurement of Materials

and Leasing of Equipment: The contractor shall not discriminate on the grounds of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, age, or disability in the selection and retention of subcontractors, including procurement of materials and leases of equipment. The contractor shall take all necessary and reasonable steps to ensure nondiscrimination in the administration of this contract.

a. The contractor shall notify all potential subcontractors, suppliers, and lessors of their EEO obligations under this contract.

b. The contractor will use good faith efforts to ensure subcontractor compliance with their EEO obligations.

#### 10. Assurances Required:

a. The requirements of 49 CFR Part 26 and the State DOT's FHWA-approved Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) program are incorporated by reference.

b. The contractor, subrecipient or subcontractor shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the performance of this contract. The contractor shall carry out applicable requirements of 49 CFR part 26 in the award and administration of DOT-assisted contracts. Failure by the contractor to carry out these requirements is a material breach of this contract, which may result in the termination of this contract or such other remedy as the recipient deems appropriate, which may include, but is not limited to:

- (1) Withholding monthly progress payments;
- (2) Assessing sanctions;
- (3) Liquidated damages; and/or

(4) Disqualifying the contractor from future bidding as non-responsible.

c. The Title VI and nondiscrimination provisions of U.S. DOT Order 1050.2A at Appendixes A and E are incorporated by reference. 49 CFR Part 21.

**11. Records and Reports:** The contractor shall keep such records as necessary to document compliance with the EEO requirements. Such records shall be retained for a period of three years following the date of the final payment to the contractor for all contract work and shall be available at reasonable times and places for inspection by authorized representatives of the contracting agency and the FHWA.

a. The records kept by the contractor shall document the following:

(1) The number and work hours of minority and nonminority group members and women employed in each work classification on the project;

(2) The progress and efforts being made in cooperation with unions, when applicable, to increase employment opportunities for minorities and women; and

(3) The progress and efforts being made in locating, hiring, training, qualifying, and upgrading minorities and women.

b. The contractors and subcontractors will submit an annual report to the contracting agency each July for the duration of the project indicating the number of minority, women, and nonminority group employees currently engaged in each work classification required by the contract work. This information is to be reported on Form FHWA-1391. The staffing data should represent the project work force on board in all or any part of the last payroll period preceding the end of July. If on-the-job training is being required by special provision, the contractor will be required to collect and report training data. The employment data should reflect the work force on board during all or any part of the last payroll period preceding the end of July.

#### **III. NONSEGREGATED FACILITIES**

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts and to all related construction subcontracts of more than \$10,000. 41 CFR 60-1.5.

As prescribed by 41 CFR 60-1.8, the contractor must ensure that facilities provided for employees are provided in such a manner that segregation on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin cannot result. The contractor may neither require such segregated use by written or oral policies nor tolerate such use by employee custom. The contractor's obligation extends further to ensure that its employees are not assigned to perform their services at any location under the contractor's control where the facilities are segregated. The term "facilities" includes waiting rooms, work areas, restaurants and other eating areas, time clocks, restrooms, washrooms, locker rooms and other storage or dressing areas, parking lots, drinking fountains, recreation or entertainment areas, transportation, and housing provided for employees. The contractor shall provide separate or single-user restrooms and necessary dressing or sleeping areas to assure privacy between sexes.

#### IV. DAVIS-BACON AND RELATED ACT PROVISIONS

This section is applicable to all Federal-aid construction projects exceeding \$2,000 and to all related subcontracts and lower-tier subcontracts (regardless of subcontract size), in accordance with 29 CFR 5.5. The requirements apply to all projects located within the right-of-way of a roadway that is functionally classified as Federal-aid highway. 23 U.S.C. 113. This excludes roadways functionally classified as local roads or rural minor collectors, which are exempt. 23 U.S.C. 101. Where applicable law requires that projects be treated as a project on a Federal-aid highway, the provisions of this subpart will apply regardless of the location of the project. Examples include: Surface Transportation Block Grant Program projects funded under 23 U.S.C. 133 [excluding recreational trails projects], the Nationally Significant Freight and Highway Projects funded under 23 U.S.C. 117, and National Highway Freight Program projects funded under 23 U.S.C. 167.

The following provisions are from the U.S. Department of Labor regulations in 29 CFR 5.5 "Contract provisions and related matters" with minor revisions to conform to the FHWA-1273 format and FHWA program requirements.

#### 1. Minimum wages (29 CFR 5.5)

a. Wage rates and fringe benefits. All laborers and mechanics employed or working upon the site of the work (or otherwise working in construction or development of the project under a development statute), will be paid unconditionally and not less often than once a week, and without subsequent deduction or rebate on any account (except such payroll deductions as are permitted by regulations issued by the Secretary of Labor under the Copeland Act (29 CFR part 3)), the full amount of basic hourly wages and bona fide fringe benefits (or cash equivalents thereof) due at time of payment computed at rates not less than those contained in the wage determination of the Secretary of Labor which is attached hereto and made a part hereof, regardless of any contractual relationship which may be alleged to exist between the contractor and such laborers and mechanics. As provided in paragraphs (d) and (e) of 29 CFR 5.5, the appropriate wage determinations are effective by operation of law even if they have not been attached to the contract. Contributions made or costs reasonably anticipated for bona fide fringe benefits under the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. 3141(2)(B)) on behalf of laborers or mechanics are considered wages paid to such laborers or mechanics, subject to the provisions of paragraph 1.e. of this section; also, regular contributions made or costs incurred for more than a weekly period (but not less often than quarterly) under plans, funds, or programs which cover the particular weekly period, are deemed to be constructively made or incurred during such weekly period. Such laborers and mechanics must be paid the appropriate wage rate and fringe benefits on the wage determination for the classification(s) of work actually performed, without regard to skill, except as provided in paragraph 4. of this section. Laborers or mechanics performing work in more than one classification may be compensated at the rate specified for each classification for the time actually worked therein: Provided, That the employer's payroll records accurately set forth the time spent in each classification in which work is performed. The wage determination (including any additional classifications and wage rates conformed under paragraph 1.c. of this section) and the Davis-Bacon poster (WH-1321) must be posted at all times by the contractor and its subcontractors at the site of the work in a prominent and accessible place where it can be easily seen by the workers.

b. Frequently recurring classifications. (1) In addition to wage and fringe benefit rates that have been determined to be prevailing under the procedures set forth in <u>29 CFR part 1</u>, a wage determination may contain, pursuant to § 1.3(f), wage and fringe benefit rates for classifications of laborers and mechanics for which conformance requests are regularly submitted pursuant to paragraph 1.c. of this section, provided that:

(i) The work performed by the classification is not performed by a classification in the wage determination for which a prevailing wage rate has been determined; (ii) The classification is used in the area by the construction industry; and

(iii) The wage rate for the classification bears a reasonable relationship to the prevailing wage rates contained in the wage determination.

(2) The Administrator will establish wage rates for such classifications in accordance with paragraph 1.c.(1)(iii) of this section. Work performed in such a classification must be paid at no less than the wage and fringe benefit rate listed on the wage determination for such classification.

c. Conformance. (1) The contracting officer must require that any class of laborers or mechanics, including helpers, which is not listed in the wage determination and which is to be employed under the contract be classified in conformance with the wage determination. Conformance of an additional classification and wage rate and fringe benefits is appropriate only when the following criteria have been met:

(i) The work to be performed by the classification requested is not performed by a classification in the wage determination; and

(ii) The classification is used in the area by the construction industry; and

(iii) The proposed wage rate, including any bona fide fringe benefits, bears a reasonable relationship to the wage rates contained in the wage determination.

(2) The conformance process may not be used to split, subdivide, or otherwise avoid application of classifications listed in the wage determination.

(3) If the contractor and the laborers and mechanics to be employed in the classification (if known), or their representatives, and the contracting officer agree on the classification and wage rate (including the amount designated for fringe benefits where appropriate), a report of the action taken will be sent by the contracting officer by email to <u>DBAconformance@dol.gov</u>. The Administrator, or an authorized representative, will approve, modify, or disapprove every additional classification action within 30 days of receipt and so advise the contracting officer or will notify the contracting officer within the 30–day period that additional time is necessary.

(4) In the event the contractor, the laborers or mechanics to be employed in the classification or their representatives, and the contracting officer do not agree on the proposed classification and wage rate (including the amount designated for fringe benefits, where appropriate), the contracting officer will, by email to <u>DBAconformance@dol.gov</u>, refer the questions, including the views of all interested parties and the recommendation of the contracting officer, to the Administrator for determination. The Administrator, or an authorized representative, will issue a determination within 30 days of receipt and so advise the contracting officer or will notify the contracting officer within the 30–day period that additional time is necessary.

(5) The contracting officer must promptly notify the contractor of the action taken by the Wage and Hour Division

under paragraphs 1.c.(3) and (4) of this section. The contractor must furnish a written copy of such determination to each affected worker or it must be posted as a part of the wage determination. The wage rate (including fringe benefits where appropriate) determined pursuant to paragraph 1.c.(3) or (4) of this section must be paid to all workers performing work in the classification under this contract from the first day on which work is performed in the classification.

d. *Fringe benefits not expressed as an hourly rate.* Whenever the minimum wage rate prescribed in the contract for a class of laborers or mechanics includes a fringe benefit which is not expressed as an hourly rate, the contractor may either pay the benefit as stated in the wage determination or may pay another bona fide fringe benefit or an hourly cash equivalent thereof.

e. Unfunded plans. If the contractor does not make payments to a trustee or other third person, the contractor may consider as part of the wages of any laborer or mechanic the amount of any costs reasonably anticipated in providing bona fide fringe benefits under a plan or program, *Provided*, That the Secretary of Labor has found, upon the written request of the contractor, in accordance with the criteria set forth in § 5.28, that the applicable standards of the Davis-Bacon Act have been met. The Secretary of Labor may require the contractor to set aside in a separate account assets for the meeting of obligations under the plan or program.

f. *Interest.* In the event of a failure to pay all or part of the wages required by the contract, the contractor will be required to pay interest on any underpayment of wages.

#### 2. Withholding (29 CFR 5.5)

a. Withholding requirements. The contracting agency may, upon its own action, or must, upon written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor, withhold or cause to be withheld from the contractor so much of the accrued payments or advances as may be considered necessary to satisfy the liabilities of the prime contractor or any subcontractor for the full amount of wages and monetary relief, including interest, required by the clauses set forth in this section for violations of this contract, or to satisfy any such liabilities required by any other Federal contract, or federally assisted contract subject to Davis-Bacon labor standards, that is held by the same prime contractor (as defined in § 5.2). The necessary funds may be withheld from the contractor under this contract, any other Federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other federally assisted contract that is subject to Davis-Bacon labor standards requirements and is held by the same prime contractor, regardless of whether the other contract was awarded or assisted by the same agency, and such funds may be used to satisfy the contractor liability for which the funds were withheld. In the event of a contractor's failure to pay any laborer or mechanic, including any apprentice or helper working on the site of the work all or part of the wages required by the contract, or upon the contractor's failure to submit the required records as discussed in paragraph 3.d. of this section, the contracting agency may on its own initiative and after written notice to the contractor. take such action as may be necessary to cause the suspension of any further payment, advance, or guarantee of funds until such violations have ceased.

b. *Priority to withheld funds.* The Department has priority to funds withheld or to be withheld in accordance with paragraph

2.a. of this section or Section V, paragraph 3.a., or both, over claims to those funds by:

(1) A contractor's surety(ies), including without limitation performance bond sureties and payment bond sureties;

(2) A contracting agency for its reprocurement costs;

(3) A trustee(s) (either a court-appointed trustee or a U.S. trustee, or both) in bankruptcy of a contractor, or a contractor's bankruptcy estate;

(4) A contractor's assignee(s);

(5) A contractor's successor(s); or

(6) A claim asserted under the Prompt Payment Act, <u>31</u> U.S.C. 3901–3907.

#### 3. Records and certified payrolls (29 CFR 5.5)

a. Basic record requirements (1) Length of record retention. All regular payrolls and other basic records must be maintained by the contractor and any subcontractor during the course of the work and preserved for all laborers and mechanics working at the site of the work (or otherwise working in construction or development of the project under a development statute) for a period of at least 3 years after all the work on the prime contract is completed.

(2) Information required. Such records must contain the name; Social Security number; last known address, telephone number, and email address of each such worker; each worker's correct classification(s) of work actually performed; hourly rates of wages paid (including rates of contributions or costs anticipated for bona fide fringe benefits or cash equivalents thereof of the types described in <u>40 U.S.C.</u> <u>3141(2)(B)</u> of the Davis-Bacon Act); daily and weekly number of hours actually worked in total and on each covered contract; deductions made; and actual wages paid.

(3) Additional records relating to fringe benefits. Whenever the Secretary of Labor has found under paragraph 1.e. of this section that the wages of any laborer or mechanic include the amount of any costs reasonably anticipated in providing benefits under a plan or program described in <u>40 U.S.C.</u> <u>3141(2)(B)</u> of the Davis-Bacon Act, the contractor must maintain records which show that the commitment to provide such benefits is enforceable, that the plan or program has been communicated in writing to the laborers or mechanics affected, and records which show the costs anticipated or the actual cost incurred in providing such benefits.

(4) Additional records relating to apprenticeship. Contractors with apprentices working under approved programs must maintain written evidence of the registration of apprenticeship programs, the registration of the apprentices, and the ratios and wage rates prescribed in the applicable programs.

b. Certified payroll requirements (1) Frequency and method of submission. The contractor or subcontractor must submit weekly, for each week in which any DBA- or Related Actscovered work is performed, certified payrolls to the contracting agency. The prime contractor is responsible for the submission of all certified payrolls by all subcontractors. A contracting agency or prime contractor may permit or require contractors to submit certified payrolls through an electronic system, as long as the electronic system requires a legally valid electronic signature; the system allows the contractor, the contracting agency, and the Department of Labor to access the certified payrolls upon request for at least 3 years after the work on the prime contract has been completed; and the contracting agency or prime contractor permits other methods of submission in situations where the contractor is unable or limited in its ability to use or access the electronic system.

(2) Information required. The certified payrolls submitted must set out accurately and completely all of the information required to be maintained under paragraph 3.a.(2) of this section, except that full Social Security numbers and last known addresses, telephone numbers, and email addresses must not be included on weekly transmittals. Instead, the certified payrolls need only include an individually identifying number for each worker (e.g., the last four digits of the worker's Social Security number). The required weekly certified payroll information may be submitted using Optional Form WH-347 or in any other format desired. Optional Form WH-347 is available for this purpose from the Wage and Hour Division website at https://www.dol.gov/sites/dolgov/files/WHD/ legacy/files/wh347/.pdf or its successor website. It is not a violation of this section for a prime contractor to require a subcontractor to provide full Social Security numbers and last known addresses, telephone numbers, and email addresses to the prime contractor for its own records, without weekly submission by the subcontractor to the contracting agency.

(3) Statement of Compliance. Each certified payroll submitted must be accompanied by a "Statement of Compliance," signed by the contractor or subcontractor, or the contractor's or subcontractor's agent who pays or supervises the payment of the persons working on the contract, and must certify the following:

(i) That the certified payroll for the payroll period contains the information required to be provided under paragraph 3.b. of this section, the appropriate information and basic records are being maintained under paragraph 3.a. of this section, and such information and records are correct and complete;

(ii) That each laborer or mechanic (including each helper and apprentice) working on the contract during the payroll period has been paid the full weekly wages earned, without rebate, either directly or indirectly, and that no deductions have been made either directly or indirectly from the full wages earned, other than permissible deductions as set forth in <u>29 CFR part 3</u>; and

(iii) That each laborer or mechanic has been paid not less than the applicable wage rates and fringe benefits or cash equivalents for the classification(s) of work actually performed, as specified in the applicable wage determination incorporated into the contract.

(4) Use of Optional Form WH–347. The weekly submission of a properly executed certification set forth on the reverse side of Optional Form WH–347 will satisfy the requirement for submission of the "Statement of Compliance" required by paragraph 3.b.(3) of this section.

(5) *Signature*. The signature by the contractor, subcontractor, or the contractor's or subcontractor's agent must be an original handwritten signature or a legally valid electronic signature.

(6) *Falsification.* The falsification of any of the above certifications may subject the contractor or subcontractor to civil or criminal prosecution under <u>18 U.S.C. 1001</u> and <u>31 U.S.C. 3729</u>.

(7) *Length of certified payroll retention.* The contractor or subcontractor must preserve all certified payrolls during the course of the work and for a period of 3 years after all the work on the prime contract is completed.

c. Contracts, subcontracts, and related documents. The contractor or subcontractor must maintain this contract or subcontract and related documents including, without limitation, bids, proposals, amendments, modifications, and extensions. The contractor or subcontractor must preserve these contracts, subcontracts, and related documents during the course of the work and for a period of 3 years after all the work on the prime contract is completed.

d. Required disclosures and access (1) Required record disclosures and access to workers. The contractor or subcontractor must make the records required under paragraphs 3.a. through 3.c. of this section, and any other documents that the contracting agency, the State DOT, the FHWA, or the Department of Labor deems necessary to determine compliance with the labor standards provisions of any of the applicable statutes referenced by § 5.1, available for inspection, copying, or transcription by authorized representatives of the contracting agency, the State DOT, the FHWA, or the Department of Labor, and must permit such representatives to interview workers during working hours on the job.

(2) Sanctions for non-compliance with records and worker access requirements. If the contractor or subcontractor fails to submit the required records or to make them available, or refuses to permit worker interviews during working hours on the job, the Federal agency may, after written notice to the contractor, sponsor, applicant, owner, or other entity, as the case may be, that maintains such records or that employs such workers, take such action as may be necessary to cause the suspension of any further payment, advance, or guarantee of funds. Furthermore, failure to submit the required records upon request or to make such records available, or to permit worker interviews during working hours on the job, may be grounds for debarment action pursuant to § 5.12. In addition, any contractor or other person that fails to submit the required records or make those records available to WHD within the time WHD requests that the records be produced will be precluded from introducing as evidence in an administrative proceeding under 29 CFR part 6 any of the required records that were not provided or made available to WHD. WHD will take into consideration a reasonable request from the contractor or person for an extension of the time for submission of records. WHD will determine the reasonableness of the request and may consider, among other things, the location of the records and the volume of production.

(3) *Required information disclosures.* Contractors and subcontractors must maintain the full Social Security number and last known address, telephone number, and email address

of each covered worker, and must provide them upon request to the contracting agency, the State DOT, the FHWA, the contractor, or the Wage and Hour Division of the Department of Labor for purposes of an investigation or other compliance action.

# 4. Apprentices and equal employment opportunity (29 CFR 5.5)

a. Apprentices (1) Rate of pay. Apprentices will be permitted to work at less than the predetermined rate for the work they perform when they are employed pursuant to and individually registered in a bona fide apprenticeship program registered with the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, Office of Apprenticeship (OA), or with a State Apprenticeship Agency recognized by the OA. A person who is not individually registered in the program, but who has been certified by the OA or a State Apprenticeship Agency (where appropriate) to be eligible for probationary employment as an apprentice, will be permitted to work at less than the predetermined rate for the work they perform in the first 90 days of probationary employment as an apprentice in such a program. In the event the OA or a State Apprenticeship Agency recognized by the OA withdraws approval of an apprenticeship program, the contractor will no longer be permitted to use apprentices at less than the applicable predetermined rate for the work performed until an acceptable program is approved.

(2) *Fringe benefits.* Apprentices must be paid fringe benefits in accordance with the provisions of the apprenticeship program. If the apprenticeship program does not specify fringe benefits, apprentices must be paid the full amount of fringe benefits listed on the wage determination for the applicable classification. If the Administrator determines that a different practice prevails for the applicable apprentice classification, fringe benefits must be paid in accordance with that determination.

(3) Apprenticeship ratio. The allowable ratio of apprentices to journeyworkers on the job site in any craft classification must not be greater than the ratio permitted to the contractor as to the entire work force under the registered program or the ratio applicable to the locality of the project pursuant to paragraph 4.a.(4) of this section. Any worker listed on a payroll at an apprentice wage rate, who is not registered or otherwise employed as stated in paragraph 4.a.(1) of this section, must be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed. In addition, any apprentice performing work on the job site in excess of the ratio permitted under this section must be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the work actually performed.

(4) Reciprocity of ratios and wage rates. Where a contractor is performing construction on a project in a locality other than the locality in which its program is registered, the ratios and wage rates (expressed in percentages of the journeyworker's hourly rate) applicable within the locality in which the construction is being performed must be observed. If there is no applicable ratio or wage rate for the locality of the project, the ratio and wage rate specified in the contractor's registered program must be observed.

b. *Equal employment opportunity*. The use of apprentices and journeyworkers under this part must be in conformity with

the equal employment opportunity requirements of Executive Order 11246, as amended, and <u>29 CFR part 30</u>.

c. Apprentices and Trainees (programs of the U.S. DOT).

Apprentices and trainees working under apprenticeship and skill training programs which have been certified by the Secretary of Transportation as promoting EEO in connection with Federal-aid highway construction programs are not subject to the requirements of paragraph 4 of this Section IV. 23 CFR 230.111(e)(2). The straight time hourly wage rates for apprentices and trainees under such programs will be established by the particular programs. The ratio of apprentices and trainees to journeyworkers shall not be greater than permitted by the terms of the particular program.

**5. Compliance with Copeland Act requirements.** The contractor shall comply with the requirements of 29 CFR part 3, which are incorporated by reference in this contract as provided in 29 CFR 5.5.

**6. Subcontracts**. The contractor or subcontractor must insert FHWA-1273 in any subcontracts, along with the applicable wage determination(s) and such other clauses or contract modifications as the contracting agency may by appropriate instructions require, and a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses and wage determination(s) in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor is responsible for the compliance by any subcontract clauses in this section. In the event of any violations of these clauses, the prime contractor and any subcontractor(s) responsible will be liable for any unpaid wages and monetary relief, including interest from the date of the underpayment or loss, due to any workers of lower-tier subcontractors, and may be subject to debarment, as appropriate. 29 CFR 5.5.

**7. Contract termination: debarment.** A breach of the contract clauses in 29 CFR 5.5 may be grounds for termination of the contract, and for debarment as a contractor and a subcontractor as provided in 29 CFR 5.12.

8. Compliance with Davis-Bacon and Related Act requirements. All rulings and interpretations of the Davis-Bacon and Related Acts contained in 29 CFR parts 1, 3, and 5 are herein incorporated by reference in this contract as provided in 29 CFR 5.5.

**9. Disputes concerning labor standards.** As provided in 29 CFR 5.5, disputes arising out of the labor standards provisions of this contract shall not be subject to the general disputes clause of this contract. Such disputes shall be resolved in accordance with the procedures of the Department of Labor set forth in 29 CFR parts 5, 6, and 7. Disputes within the meaning of this clause include disputes between the contractor (or any of its subcontractors) and the contracting agency, the U.S. Department of Labor, or the employees or their representatives.

**10. Certification of eligibility.** a. By entering into this contract, the contractor certifies that neither it nor any person or firm who has an interest in the contractor's firm is a person or firm ineligible to be awarded Government contracts by virtue of  $\underline{40}$  U.S.C. 3144(b) or § 5.12(a).

b. No part of this contract shall be subcontracted to any person or firm ineligible for award of a Government contract by virtue of  $\frac{40 \text{ U.S.C. } 3144(b)}{40 \text{ U.S.C. } 3144(b)}$  or § 5.12(a).

c. The penalty for making false statements is prescribed in the U.S. Code, Title 18 Crimes and Criminal Procedure, <u>18</u> <u>U.S.C. 1001</u>.

**11. Anti-retaliation**. It is unlawful for any person to discharge, demote, intimidate, threaten, restrain, coerce, blacklist, harass, or in any other manner discriminate against, or to cause any person to discharge, demote, intimidate, threaten, restrain, coerce, blacklist, harass, or in any other manner discriminate against, any worker or job applicant for:

a. Notifying any contractor of any conduct which the worker reasonably believes constitutes a violation of the DBA, Related Acts, this part, or  $\frac{29 \text{ CFR part 1}}{29 \text{ CFR part 1}}$  or  $\frac{3}{2}$ ;

b. Filing any complaint, initiating or causing to be initiated any proceeding, or otherwise asserting or seeking to assert on behalf of themselves or others any right or protection under the DBA, Related Acts, this part, or <u>29 CFR part 1</u> or <u>3</u>;

c. Cooperating in any investigation or other compliance action, or testifying in any proceeding under the DBA, Related Acts, this part, or  $\underline{29 \ CFR \ part 1}$  or  $\underline{3}$ ; or

d. Informing any other person about their rights under the DBA, Related Acts, this part, or  $\underline{29 \ CFR \ part \ 1}$  or  $\underline{3}$ .

# V. CONTRACT WORK HOURS AND SAFETY STANDARDS ACT

Pursuant to 29 CFR 5.5(b), the following clauses apply to any Federal-aid construction contract in an amount in excess of \$100,000 and subject to the overtime provisions of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act. These clauses shall be inserted in addition to the clauses required by 29 CFR 5.5(a) or 29 CFR 4.6. As used in this paragraph, the terms laborers and mechanics include watchpersons and guards.

1. Overtime requirements. No contractor or subcontractor contracting for any part of the contract work which may require or involve the employment of laborers or mechanics shall require or permit any such laborer or mechanic in any workweek in which he or she is employed on such work to work in excess of forty hours in such workweek unless such laborer or mechanic receives compensation at a rate not less than one and one-half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of forty hours in such workweek. 29 CFR 5.5.

2. Violation; liability for unpaid wages; liquidated

damages. In the event of any violation of the clause set forth in paragraph 1. of this section the contractor and any subcontractor responsible therefor shall be liable for the unpaid wages and interest from the date of the underpayment. In addition, such contractor and subcontractor shall be liable to the United States (in the case of work done under contract for the District of Columbia or a territory, to such District or to such territory), for liquidated damages. Such liquidated damages shall be computed with respect to each individual laborer or mechanic, including watchpersons and guards, employed in violation of the clause set forth in paragraph 1. of this section, in the sum currently provided in 29 CFR 5.5(b)(2)\* for each calendar day on which such individual was required or permitted to work in excess of the standard workweek of forty hours without payment of the overtime wages required by the clause set forth in paragraph 1. of this section.

\* \$31 as of January 15, 2023 (See 88 FR 88 FR 2210) as may be adjusted annually by the Department of Labor, pursuant to the Federal Civil Penalties Inflation Adjustment Act of 1990.

#### 3. Withholding for unpaid wages and liquidated damages

a. Withholding process. The FHWA or the contracting agency may, upon its own action, or must, upon written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor, withhold or cause to be withheld from the contractor so much of the accrued payments or advances as may be considered necessary to satisfy the liabilities of the prime contractor or any subcontractor for any unpaid wages; monetary relief, including interest; and liquidated damages required by the clauses set forth in this section on this contract, any other Federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other federally assisted contract subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act that is held by the same prime contractor (as defined in § 5.2). The necessary funds may be withheld from the contractor under this contract, any other Federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other federally assisted contract that is subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act and is held by the same prime contractor, regardless of whether the other contract was awarded or assisted by the same agency, and such funds may be used to satisfy the contractor liability for which the funds were withheld.

b. *Priority to withheld funds.* The Department has priority to funds withheld or to be withheld in accordance with Section IV paragraph 2.a. or paragraph 3.a. of this section, or both, over claims to those funds by:

(1) A contractor's surety(ies), including without limitation performance bond sureties and payment bond sureties;

(2) A contracting agency for its reprocurement costs;

(3) A trustee(s) (either a court-appointed trustee or a U.S. trustee, or both) in bankruptcy of a contractor, or a contractor's bankruptcy estate;

(4) A contractor's assignee(s);

(5) A contractor's successor(s); or

(6) A claim asserted under the Prompt Payment Act, <u>31</u> <u>U.S.C. 3901</u>–3907.

**4. Subcontracts.** The contractor or subcontractor must insert in any subcontracts the clauses set forth in paragraphs 1. through 5. of this section and a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor is responsible for compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with the clauses set forth in paragraphs 1. through 5. In the

event of any violations of these clauses, the prime contractor and any subcontractor(s) responsible will be liable for any unpaid wages and monetary relief, including interest from the date of the underpayment or loss, due to any workers of lowertier subcontractors, and associated liquidated damages and may be subject to debarment, as appropriate.

**5. Anti-retaliation.** It is unlawful for any person to discharge, demote, intimidate, threaten, restrain, coerce, blacklist, harass, or in any other manner discriminate against, or to cause any person to discharge, demote, intimidate, threaten, restrain, coerce, blacklist, harass, or in any other manner discriminate against, any worker or job applicant for:

a. Notifying any contractor of any conduct which the worker reasonably believes constitutes a violation of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (CWHSSA) or its implementing regulations in this part;

b. Filing any complaint, initiating or causing to be initiated any proceeding, or otherwise asserting or seeking to assert on behalf of themselves or others any right or protection under CWHSSA or this part;

c. Cooperating in any investigation or other compliance action, or testifying in any proceeding under CWHSSA or this part; or

d. Informing any other person about their rights under CWHSSA or this part.

#### VI. SUBLETTING OR ASSIGNING THE CONTRACT

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts on the National Highway System pursuant to 23 CFR 635.116.

1. The contractor shall perform with its own organization contract work amounting to not less than 30 percent (or a greater percentage if specified elsewhere in the contract) of the total original contract price, excluding any specialty items designated by the contracting agency. Specialty items may be performed by subcontract and the amount of any such specialty items performed may be deducted from the total original contract price before computing the amount of work required to be performed by the contractor's own organization (23 CFR 635.116).

a. The term "perform work with its own organization" in paragraph 1 of Section VI refers to workers employed or leased by the prime contractor, and equipment owned or rented by the prime contractor, with or without operators. Such term does not include employees or equipment of a subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor, agents of the prime contractor, or any other assignees. The term may include payments for the costs of hiring leased employees from an employee leasing firm meeting all relevant Federal and State regulatory requirements. Leased employees may only be included in this term if the prime contractor meets all of the following conditions: (based on longstanding interpretation)

(1) the prime contractor maintains control over the supervision of the day-to-day activities of the leased employees;

(2) the prime contractor remains responsible for the quality of the work of the leased employees;

 (3) the prime contractor retains all power to accept or exclude individual employees from work on the project; and
 (4) the prime contractor remains ultimately responsible for the payment of predetermined minimum wages, the submission of payrolls, statements of compliance and all other Federal regulatory requirements.

b. "Specialty Items" shall be construed to be limited to work that requires highly specialized knowledge, abilities, or equipment not ordinarily available in the type of contracting organizations qualified and expected to bid or propose on the contract as a whole and in general are to be limited to minor components of the overall contract. 23 CFR 635.102.

2. Pursuant to 23 CFR 635.116(a), the contract amount upon which the requirements set forth in paragraph (1) of Section VI is computed includes the cost of material and manufactured products which are to be purchased or produced by the contractor under the contract provisions.

3. Pursuant to 23 CFR 635.116(c), the contractor shall furnish (a) a competent superintendent or supervisor who is employed by the firm, has full authority to direct performance of the work in accordance with the contract requirements, and is in charge of all construction operations (regardless of who performs the work) and (b) such other of its own organizational resources (supervision, management, and engineering services) as the contracting officer determines is necessary to assure the performance of the contract.

4. No portion of the contract shall be sublet, assigned or otherwise disposed of except with the written consent of the contracting officer, or authorized representative, and such consent when given shall not be construed to relieve the contractor of any responsibility for the fulfillment of the contract. Written consent will be given only after the contracting agency has assured that each subcontract is evidenced in writing and that it contains all pertinent provisions and requirements of the prime contract. (based on longstanding interpretation of 23 CFR 635.116).

5. The 30-percent self-performance requirement of paragraph (1) is not applicable to design-build contracts; however, contracting agencies may establish their own self-performance requirements. 23 CFR 635.116(d).

#### **VII. SAFETY: ACCIDENT PREVENTION**

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts and to all related subcontracts.

1. In the performance of this contract the contractor shall comply with all applicable Federal, State, and local laws governing safety, health, and sanitation (23 CFR Part 635). The contractor shall provide all safeguards, safety devices and protective equipment and take any other needed actions as it determines, or as the contracting officer may determine, to be reasonably necessary to protect the life and health of employees on the job and the safety of the public and to protect property in connection with the performance of the work covered by the contract. 23 CFR 635.108.

2. It is a condition of this contract, and shall be made a condition of each subcontract, which the contractor enters into pursuant to this contract, that the contractor and any subcontractor shall not permit any employee, in performance of the contract, to work in surroundings or under conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous or dangerous to his/her health or safety, as determined under construction safety and

health standards (29 CFR Part 1926) promulgated by the Secretary of Labor, in accordance with Section 107 of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 3704). 29 CFR 1926.10.

3. Pursuant to 29 CFR 1926.3, it is a condition of this contract that the Secretary of Labor or authorized representative thereof, shall have right of entry to any site of contract performance to inspect or investigate the matter of compliance with the construction safety and health standards and to carry out the duties of the Secretary under Section 107 of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 3704).

# VIII. FALSE STATEMENTS CONCERNING HIGHWAY PROJECTS

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts and to all related subcontracts.

In order to assure high quality and durable construction in conformity with approved plans and specifications and a high degree of reliability on statements and representations made by engineers, contractors, suppliers, and workers on Federalaid highway projects, it is essential that all persons concerned with the project perform their functions as carefully, thoroughly, and honestly as possible. Willful falsification, distortion, or misrepresentation with respect to any facts related to the project is a violation of Federal law. To prevent any misunderstanding regarding the seriousness of these and similar acts, Form FHWA-1022 shall be posted on each Federal-aid highway project (23 CFR Part 635) in one or more places where it is readily available to all persons concerned with the project:

#### 18 U.S.C. 1020 reads as follows:

"Whoever, being an officer, agent, or employee of the United States, or of any State or Territory, or whoever, whether a person, association, firm, or corporation, knowingly makes any false statement, false representation, or false report as to the character, quality, quantity, or cost of the material used or to be used, or the quantity or quality of the work performed or to be performed, or the cost thereof in connection with the submission of plans, maps, specifications, contracts, or costs of construction on any highway or related project submitted for approval to the Secretary of Transportation; or

Whoever knowingly makes any false statement, false representation, false report or false claim with respect to the character, quality, quantity, or cost of any work performed or to be performed, or materials furnished or to be furnished, in connection with the construction of any highway or related project approved by the Secretary of Transportation; or

Whoever knowingly makes any false statement or false representation as to material fact in any statement, certificate, or report submitted pursuant to provisions of the Federal-aid Roads Act approved July 11, 1916, (39 Stat. 355), as amended and supplemented;

Shall be fined under this title or imprisoned not more than 5 years or both."

#### IX. IMPLEMENTATION OF CLEAN AIR ACT AND FEDERAL WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ACT (42 U.S.C. 7606; 2 CFR 200.88; EO 11738)

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts in excess of \$150,000 and to all related subcontracts. 48 CFR 2.101; 2 CFR 200.327.

By submission of this bid/proposal or the execution of this contract or subcontract, as appropriate, the bidder, proposer, Federal-aid construction contractor, subcontractor, supplier, or vendor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended (33 U.S.C. 1251-1387). Violations must be reported to the Federal Highway Administration and the Regional Office of the Environmental Protection Agency. 2 CFR Part 200, Appendix II.

The contractor agrees to include or cause to be included the requirements of this Section in every subcontract, and further agrees to take such action as the contracting agency may direct as a means of enforcing such requirements. 2 CFR 200.327.

#### X. CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, INELIGIBILITY AND VOLUNTARY EXCLUSION

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts, design-build contracts, subcontracts, lower-tier subcontracts, purchase orders, lease agreements, consultant contracts or any other covered transaction requiring FHWA approval or that is estimated to cost \$25,000 or more – as defined in 2 CFR Parts 180 and 1200. 2 CFR 180.220 and 1200.220.

#### 1. Instructions for Certification – First Tier Participants:

a. By signing and submitting this proposal, the prospective first tier participant is providing the certification set out below.

b. The inability of a person to provide the certification set out below will not necessarily result in denial of participation in this covered transaction. The prospective first tier participant shall submit an explanation of why it cannot provide the certification set out below. The certification or explanation will be considered in connection with the department or agency's determination whether to enter into this transaction. However, failure of the prospective first tier participant to furnish a certification or an explanation shall disqualify such a person from participation in this transaction. 2 CFR 180.320.

c. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when the contracting agency determined to enter into this transaction. If it is later determined that the prospective participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the contracting agency may terminate this transaction for cause of default. 2 CFR 180.325.

d. The prospective first tier participant shall provide immediate written notice to the contracting agency to whom this proposal is submitted if any time the prospective first tier participant learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances. 2 CFR 180.345 and 180.350. e. The terms "covered transaction," "debarred," "suspended," "ineligible," "participant," "person," "principal," and "voluntarily excluded," as used in this clause, are defined in 2 CFR Parts 180, Subpart I, 180.900-180.1020, and 1200. "First Tier Covered Transactions" refers to any covered transaction between a recipient or subrecipient of Federal funds and a participant (such as the prime or general contract). "Lower Tier Covered Transactions" refers to any covered transaction under a First Tier Covered Transaction (such as subcontracts). "First Tier Participant" refers to the participant who has entered into a covered transaction with a recipient or subrecipient of Federal funds (such as the prime or general contractor). "Lower Tier Participant" refers any participant who has entered into a covered transaction with a First Tier Participant or other Lower Tier Participants (such as subcontractors and suppliers).

f. The prospective first tier participant agrees by submitting this proposal that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the department or agency entering into this transaction. 2 CFR 180.330.

g. The prospective first tier participant further agrees by submitting this proposal that it will include the clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion-Lower Tier Covered Transactions," provided by the department or contracting agency, entering into this covered transaction, without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions exceeding the \$25,000 threshold. 2 CFR 180.220 and 180.300.

h. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that is not debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. 2 CFR 180.300; 180.320, and 180.325. A participant is responsible for ensuring that its principals are not suspended, debarred, or otherwise ineligible to participate in covered transactions. 2 CFR 180.335. To verify the eligibility of its principals, as well as the eligibility of any lower tier prospective participants, each participant may, but is not required to, check the System for Award Management website (https://www.sam.gov/). 2 CFR 180.300, 180.320, and 180.325.

i. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require the establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of the prospective participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.

j. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph (f) of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency may terminate this transaction for cause or default. 2 CFR 180.325.

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#### 2. Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion – First Tier Participants:

a. The prospective first tier participant certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it and its principals:

(1) Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participating in covered transactions by any Federal department or agency, 2 CFR 180.335;.

(2) Have not within a three-year period preceding this proposal been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State, or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property, 2 CFR 180.800;

(3) Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (a)(2) of this certification, 2 CFR 180.700 and 180.800; and

(4) Have not within a three-year period preceding this application/proposal had one or more public transactions (Federal, State or local) terminated for cause or default. 2 CFR 180.335(d).

(5) Are not a corporation that has been convicted of a felony violation under any Federal law within the two-year period preceding this proposal (USDOT Order 4200.6 implementing appropriations act requirements); and

(6) Are not a corporation with any unpaid Federal tax liability that has been assessed, for which all judicial and administrative remedies have been exhausted, or have lapsed, and that is not being paid in a timely manner pursuant to an agreement with the authority responsible for collecting the tax liability (USDOT Order 4200.6 implementing appropriations act requirements).

b. Where the prospective participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant should attach an explanation to this proposal. 2 CFR 180.335 and 180.340.

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#### 3. Instructions for Certification - Lower Tier Participants:

(Applicable to all subcontracts, purchase orders, and other lower tier transactions requiring prior FHWA approval or estimated to cost \$25,000 or more - 2 CFR Parts 180 and 1200). 2 CFR 180.220 and 1200.220.

a. By signing and submitting this proposal, the prospective lower tier participant is providing the certification set out below.

b. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was entered into. If it is later determined that the prospective lower tier participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department, or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.

c. The prospective lower tier participant shall provide immediate written notice to the person to which this proposal is submitted if at any time the prospective lower tier participant learns that its certification was erroneous by reason of changed circumstances. 2 CFR 180.365.

d. The terms "covered transaction," "debarred," "suspended," "ineligible," "participant," "person," "principal," and "voluntarily excluded," as used in this clause, are defined in 2 CFR Parts 180, Subpart I, 180.900 - 180.1020, and 1200. You may contact the person to which this proposal is submitted for assistance in obtaining a copy of those regulations. "First Tier Covered Transactions" refers to any covered transaction between a recipient or subrecipient of Federal funds and a participant (such as the prime or general contract). "Lower Tier Covered Transactions" refers to any covered transaction under a First Tier Covered Transaction (such as subcontracts). "First Tier Participant" refers to the participant who has entered into a covered transaction with a recipient or subrecipient of Federal funds (such as the prime or general contractor). "Lower Tier Participant" refers any participant who has entered into a covered transaction with a First Tier Participant or other Lower Tier Participants (such as subcontractors and suppliers).

e. The prospective lower tier participant agrees by submitting this proposal that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the department or agency with which this transaction originated. 2 CFR 1200.220 and 1200.332.

f. The prospective lower tier participant further agrees by submitting this proposal that it will include this clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion-Lower Tier Covered Transaction," without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions exceeding the \$25,000 threshold. 2 CFR 180.220 and 1200.220.

g. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that is not debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant is responsible for ensuring that its principals are not suspended, debarred, or otherwise ineligible to participate in covered transactions. To verify the eligibility of its principals, as well as the eligibility of any lower tier prospective participants, each participant may, but is not required to, check the System for Award Management website (<u>https://www.sam.gov/</u>), which is compiled by the General Services Administration. 2 CFR 180.300, 180.320, 180.330, and 180.335.

h. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.

i. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph e of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment. 2 CFR 180.325.

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#### 4. Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion--Lower Tier Participants:

a. The prospective lower tier participant certifies, by submission of this proposal, that neither it nor its principals:

(1) is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participating in covered transactions by any Federal department or agency, 2 CFR 180.355;

(2) is a corporation that has been convicted of a felony violation under any Federal law within the two-year period preceding this proposal (USDOT Order 4200.6 implementing appropriations act requirements); and

(3) is a corporation with any unpaid Federal tax liability that has been assessed, for which all judicial and administrative remedies have been exhausted, or have lapsed, and that is not being paid in a timely manner pursuant to an agreement with the authority responsible for collecting the tax liability. (USDOT Order 4200.6 implementing appropriations act requirements)

b. Where the prospective lower tier participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant should attach an explanation to this proposal.

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# XI. CERTIFICATION REGARDING USE OF CONTRACT FUNDS FOR LOBBYING

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts and to all related subcontracts which exceed \$100,000. 49 CFR Part 20, App. A.

1. The prospective participant certifies, by signing and submitting this bid or proposal, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

a. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any Federal agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.

b. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any Federal agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.

2. This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by 31 U.S.C. 1352. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

3. The prospective participant also agrees by submitting its bid or proposal that the participant shall require that the language of this certification be included in all lower tier subcontracts, which exceed \$100,000 and that all such recipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

#### XII. USE OF UNITED STATES-FLAG VESSELS:

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts, design-build contracts, subcontracts, lower-tier subcontracts, purchase orders, lease agreements, or any other covered transaction. 46 CFR Part 381.

This requirement applies to material or equipment that is acquired for a specific Federal-aid highway project. 46 CFR 381.7. It is not applicable to goods or materials that come into inventories independent of an FHWA funded-contract.

When oceanic shipments (or shipments across the Great Lakes) are necessary for materials or equipment acquired for a specific Federal-aid construction project, the bidder, proposer, contractor, subcontractor, or vendor agrees:

1. To utilize privately owned United States-flag commercial vessels to ship at least 50 percent of the gross tonnage (computed separately for dry bulk carriers, dry cargo liners, and tankers) involved, whenever shipping any equipment, material, or commodities pursuant to this contract, to the extent such vessels are available at fair and reasonable rates for United States-flag commercial vessels. 46 CFR 381.7.

2. To furnish within 20 days following the date of loading for shipments originating within the United States or within 30 working days following the date of loading for shipments originating outside the United States, a legible copy of a rated, 'on-board' commercial ocean bill-of-lading in English for each shipment of cargo described in paragraph (b)(1) of this section to both the Contracting Officer (through the prime contractor in the case of subcontractor bills-of-lading) and to the Office of Cargo and Commercial Sealift (MAR-620), Maritime Administration, Washington, DC 20590. (MARAD requires copies of the ocean carrier's (master) bills of lading, certified onboard, dated, with rates and charges. These bills of lading may contain business sensitive information and therefore may be submitted directly to MARAD by the Ocean Transportation Intermediary on behalf of the contractor). 46 CFR 381.7.

ATTACHMENT A - EMPLOYMENT AND MATERIALS PREFERENCE FOR APPALACHIAN DEVELOPMENT HIGHWAY SYSTEM OR APPALACHIAN LOCAL ACCESS ROAD CONTRACTS (23 CFR 633, Subpart B, Appendix B) This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid projects funded under the Appalachian Regional Development Act of 1965.

1. During the performance of this contract, the contractor undertaking to do work which is, or reasonably may be, done as on-site work, shall give preference to qualified persons who regularly reside in the labor area as designated by the DOL wherein the contract work is situated, or the subregion, or the Appalachian counties of the State wherein the contract work is situated, except:

a. To the extent that qualified persons regularly residing in the area are not available.

b. For the reasonable needs of the contractor to employ supervisory or specially experienced personnel necessary to assure an efficient execution of the contract work.

c. For the obligation of the contractor to offer employment to present or former employees as the result of a lawful collective bargaining contract, provided that the number of nonresident persons employed under this subparagraph (1c) shall not exceed 20 percent of the total number of employees employed by the contractor on the contract work, except as provided in subparagraph (4) below.

2. The contractor shall place a job order with the State Employment Service indicating (a) the classifications of the laborers, mechanics and other employees required to perform the contract work, (b) the number of employees required in each classification, (c) the date on which the participant estimates such employees will be required, and (d) any other pertinent information required by the State Employment Service to complete the job order form. The job order may be placed with the State Employment Service in writing or by telephone. If during the course of the contract work, the information submitted by the contractor in the original job order is substantially modified, the participant shall promptly notify the State Employment Service.

3. The contractor shall give full consideration to all qualified job applicants referred to him by the State Employment Service. The contractor is not required to grant employment to any job applicants who, in his opinion, are not qualified to perform the classification of work required.

4. If, within one week following the placing of a job order by the contractor with the State Employment Service, the State Employment Service is unable to refer any qualified job applicants to the contractor, or less than the number requested, the State Employment Service will forward a certificate to the contractor indicating the unavailability of applicants. Such certificate shall be made a part of the contractor's permanent project records. Upon receipt of this certificate, the contractor may employ persons who do not normally reside in the labor area to fill positions covered by the certificate, notwithstanding the provisions of subparagraph (1c) above.

5. The provisions of 23 CFR 633.207(e) allow the contracting agency to provide a contractual preference for the use of mineral resource materials native to the Appalachian region.

6. The contractor shall include the provisions of Sections 1 through 4 of this Attachment A in every subcontract for work which is, or reasonably may be, done as on-site work.

#### NOTICE OF REQUIREMENTS FOR AFFIRMATIVE ACTION TO ENSURE EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY (EXECUTIVE ORDER 11246)

1. The Offeror's or Bidder's attention is called to the "Equal Opportunity Clause" and the "Standard Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Construction Contract Specifications" set forth herein.

2. The goal for female participation, expressed in percentage terms for the Contractor's aggregate workforce in each trade on all construction work, is 6.9%.

Until further notice	Goals for minority participation for each trade (percent)
SHSA Cities: Pascagoula - Moss Point Biloxi - Gulfport Jackson	19.2
SMSA Counties: Desoto Hancock, Harrison, Stone Hinds, Rankin Jackson	19.2 30.3
Non-SMSA Counties: George, Greene	iickasaw, e, Lee, ola, hatchie,
Washington, Webster, Yalobusha Attala, Choctaw, Claiborne, Clarke, Copiah, C Franklin, Holmes, Humphreys, Issaquena, Jas Jefferson Davis, Jones Kemper, Lauderdale, L Leake, Lincoln, Lowndes, Madison, Neshoba, Noxubee, Oktibbeha, Scott, Sharkey, Simpsor Warren, Wayne, Winston, Yazoo	Covington, per, Jefferson, .awrence, . Newton, 1, Smith,
Forrest, Lamar, Marion, Pearl River, Perry, Pi Walthall Adams, Amite, Wilkinson	27.7
Adams, Annie, Wikinson	30.4

These goals are applicable to all the Contractor's construction work (whether or not it is Federal or federally assisted) performed in the covered area. If the contractor performs construction work in a geographical area located outside of the covered area, it shall apply the goals established for such geographical area where the work is actually performed. With regard to this second area, the contractor also is subject to the goals for both its federally involved and nonfederally involved construction.

The Contractor's compliance with the Executive Order and the regulations in 41 CFR Part 60-4 shall be based on its implementation of the Equal Opportunity clause, specific affirmative action obligations required by the specifications set forth in 41 CFR 60-4.3(a), and its efforts to meet the goals. The hours of minority and female employment and training must be substantially uniform throughout the length of the contract, and in each trade, and the Contractor shall make a good faith effort to employ minorities and women evenly on each of its projects. The transfer of minority or female employees or trainees from Contractor to Contractor or from project to project for the sole purpose of meeting the Contractor's goals shall be a violation of the contract, the Executive Order and the regulations in 41 CFR Part 60-4.2(d). Compliance with the goals will be measured against the total work hours performed.

3. The Contractor shall provide written notification to the Director of the Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs within 10 working days of award of any construction subcontract in excess of \$10,000 at any tier for construction work under the contract resulting from this solicitation. The notification shall list the name, address and telephone number of the subcontractor, employer identification number of the subcontractor, estimated dollar amount of the subcontract; estimated starting and completion dates of the subcontract; and the geographical area in which the subcontract is to be performed.

4. As used in this Notice, and in the contract resulting from this solicitation, the "covered area" is to the county and city (if any), stated in the advertisement.

5. The notification required in Paragraph 3 shall be addressed to the following:

Contract Compliance Officer Mississippi Department of Transportation P.O. Box 1850 Jackson, Mississippi 39215-1850

(12/04/2018)

## **SPECIAL PROVISION NO. 907-101-1**

CODE: (IS)

DATE: 07/20/2023

## **SUBJECT: Definitions and Terms**

Section 101, Definitions and Terms, of the 2017 Edition of the Mississippi Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction is hereby amended as follows.

907-101.01--Abbreviations. After the abbreviation API on page 1, add the following.

APL Approved Products List

Replace the abbreviation for AWPA on page 1 with the following.

AWPA American Wood Protection Association

<u>907-101.02--Definitions</u>. Delete the sentence after the list of holidays in Subsection 101.02 on page 6 under **holidays**, legal, and substitute the following.

When a legal holiday falls on a Saturday or Sunday, the succeeding Monday, or as proclaimed by the Governor, will be observed as a legal holiday.

Delete the definition for Notice to Proceed in Subsection 101.02 on page 8, and substitute the following.

Notice to Proceed - Written notice to the Contractor to proceed with the contract work.

Delete the definition for "Plans" in Subsection 101.02 on page 8, and substitute the following.

**plans** - The approved plans, profiles, typical cross-sections, working drawings and supplemental drawings, or exact reproduction thereof, that show the location, character, dimensions, and details of the work to be done. The plans may also include electronic files, referred to on the plans as Electronic Files Identified as Plans, which may include engineering models, spreadsheets, CADD files or other electronic files used to convey design intent. When the contract does not have an official set of plans, reference to the plans shall mean the contract documents.

## **SPECIAL PROVISION NO. 907-102-2**

CODE: (IS)

DATE: 11/22/2017

## SUBJECT: Bidding Requirements and Conditions

Section 102, Bidding Requirements and Conditions, of the 2017 Edition of the Mississippi Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction is hereby amended as follows.

<u>907-102.01--Prequalification of Bidders.</u> Delete the last sentence of the third paragraph of Subsection 102.01 on page 13, and substitute the following.

The Bidder's Certificate of Responsibility number must be on file with the Department's Contract Administration Division prior to request for permission to bid.

<u>907-102.02--Contents of Proposal Forms</u>. Delete the fourth paragraph in Subsection 102.02 on page 13, and substitute the following.

Prospective bidders must complete an online request for permission to be eligible to bid a project. Upon approval, the bidder will be authorized to submit a bid electronically using Bid Express at <a href="http://bidx.com">http://bidx.com</a>.

## **SPECIAL PROVISION NO. 907-105-2**

CODE: (IS)

DATE: 07/20/2023

## **SUBJECT:** Control of Work

Section 105, Control of Work, of the 2017 Edition of the Mississippi Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction is hereby amended as follows.

<u>907-105.01--Authority of the Engineer.</u> Delete the first sentence of the second paragraph of Subsection 105.01 on page 31, and substitute the following.

The Engineer has the right to suspend the work wholly or in part and to withhold payments because of the Contractor's failure to correct conditions unsafe for workmen or the general public, for failure to carry out provisions of the Contract, or for failure to carry out orders.

<u>907-105.02--Plans and Working Drawings</u>. Delete the first paragraph of Subsection 105.02 on page 31, and substitute the following.

After the contract is executed by the Executive Director, the Contractor will receive, free of charge, two bound copies of the proposal and contract documents (one executed and one blank) two full scale copies of the plans, five half-scale copies of the Plans, and Electronic Files Identified as Plans. The Contractor shall have one copy of the proposal and contract documents and one half-scale copy of the plans available at all times during work activity on the project.

## SPECIAL PROVISION NO. 907-106-2

CODE: (IS)

**DATE:** 09/24/2024

## **SUBJECT:** Control of Materials

Section 106, Control of Materials, of the 2017 Edition of the Mississippi Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction is hereby amended as follows.

After Subsection 106.13 on page 47, add the following.

**<u>907-106.14--Buy America Materials Sourcing Requirements for Federal-Aid Projects.</u> The "Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act" (the "Act"), or Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL), was enacted on November 15, 2021 (See Public Law No. 117-58, Sections 70901-70953). The Buy America provisions of the Act expand the previous Buy America requirements beyond what is currently required for steel and iron products.** 

Any steel and iron materials per Subsection 700.01 or construction materials per Subsection 907-700.01.1, that are used for a Federal-Aid highway construction project, shall be domestically manufactured (as further described in Subsection 700.01) and compliant with current requirements of the Act, as implemented in 2 CFR 184, 2 CFR 200.322, and OMB 24-02 Memo and related requirements therein.

As determined by the Department within the contract prior to award, all products and/or materials will only be classified under one of the following categories: Steel and Iron, Manufactured Products, and Construction Materials. It is the Prime Contractor's responsibility to ensure all submittals required for Buy America are submitted to the Project Engineer prior to the products and/or materials being incorporated into the work.

The following items require Buy America Certification on Federal-Aid projects:

- (a) Steel and Iron
- (b) Construction Materials

A list of items that require Buy America Certification may be viewed at <u>www.goMDOT.com</u> under Business Center  $\rightarrow$  Engineering Standards/Guides/Manuals  $\rightarrow$  Construction Materials.

Items classified as a Manufactured Product that do not include steel and iron components do not require a Buy America Certification on a Federal-Aid project. Manufactured Products are currently exempted under the 1983 waiver from FHWA. Manufactured Products are determined by the Department's Materials Division.

To be considered a Manufactured Product, an item shall meet one of the following requirements:

(a) The item consists of two or more of the listed construction materials that have been combined through a manufacturing process.

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(b) The item consists of at least one of the listed construction materials that has been combined through a manufacturing process with a material that is not listed as a construction material.

Buy America provisions do not apply to temporarily used items that (1) are specified to be removed at the end of the project per the contract provisions or (2) are specified to remain in place per the contract provisions and are also documented by the Department in the contract provisions to be removed in a subsequent imminent, near-term phased project.

## **SPECIAL PROVISION NO. 907-107-2**

CODE: (SP)

DATE: 01/31/2018

## SUBJECT: Contractor's Erosion Control Plan

Section 107, Legal Relations and Responsibility to Public, of the 2017 Edition of the Mississippi Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction is hereby amended as follows.

## 907-107.22--Environmental Protection.

<u>907-107.22.1--Contractor's Erosion Control Plan (ECP)</u>. After the first sentence of the first paragraph of Subsection 107.22.1 on page 63, add the following.

The ECP shall be submitted electronically to the Project Engineer who will forward it to the appropriate MDOT Divisions.

Delete the example Narrative in Subsection 107.22.1 on page 65, and substitute the following.

### EXAMPLE MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) Narrative

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General Permit Coverage No: MSR	
Project Number:	
County:	
Route:	

### SITE INFORMATION

This project consists of grading and installing drainage structures necessary to construct approximately 6 miles of parallel lanes on SR 31 between the Hinds County Line and the Rankin County Line.

### SEDIMENT AND EROSION CONTROLS

- a) Vegetative Controls: Clearing and grubbing areas will be minimized to comply with the buffer zones (minimum of 15 feet along the ROW lines and 5 feet along creeks) as per the contract documents. A combination of temporary and permanent grassing will be used to protect slopes as construction progresses. Should a disturbed area be left undisturbed for 14 days or more, placement of temporary BMPs (seeding & mulching, silt fences, basins, ditch checks, slope drains, etc.) or permanent erosion control measures (seeding & mulching, riprap, paved ditch, flumes, etc.) will be initiated by the next working day after the land disturbing activities have stopped.
- **b)** Structural Controls: Gravel construction entrance/exit will be installed near Stations 145+50, 159+50, 164+50 & 172+50. Riprap ditch checks will be constructed at Stations 144+50, 151+75, 162+00 & 166+25. The Concrete washout area will be at Stations 140+25, 152+00 & 168+50.
- c) Housekeeping Practices: Structural BMPs will be cleaned out when sediment reaches 1/3 to 1/2 of the height of the BMP. Maintenance and repair of equipment will be performed off-site, material wash out will occur either off-site or within designated wash out areas.
- d) **Post-Construction Control Measures:** As construction is completed, permanent vegetative growth will be established on disturbed soils to improve soil stability and provide a buffer zone for loose material. Paved ditches and flumes will be placed as specified in the ECP to reduce erosion in concentrated flow areas and rip rap will be placed as specified to dissipate flow energy and reduce flow velocity.

### **IMPLEMENTATION SEQUENCE**

Perimeter controls will be installed first. Clearing and grubbing will be performed in 19-acre sections beginning at the BOP and temporary grassing will be installed as needed. Temporary erosion control BMPs will be installed at the drainage structures prior/during construction of the drainage structures. Grading activities will commence at the BOP and proceed towards the EOP, fill slopes will be permanently grassed in stages for fill heights that exceed 5 feet. Base materials will be installed on completed grading sections with the paving to follow.

### MAINTENANCE PLAN

All erosion and sediment control practices will be checked for stability and operation following every rainfall but in no case less than once every week. Any needed repairs will be made immediately to maintain all practices as designed. Sediment basins will be cleaned out when the level of sediment reaches 2.0 feet below the top of the riser. Sediment will be removed from the front/upstream end of the BMPs when it becomes about 1/3 to 1/2 height of BMP.

Prime Contractor's Signature

Date

Title

## **SPECIAL PROVISION NO. 907-108-4**

CODE: (SP)

DATE: 10/07/2020

## **SUBJECT:** Subletting of Contract

Section 108, Prosecution and Progress, of the 2017 Edition of the Mississippi Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction is hereby amended as follows.

## 907-108.01--Subletting of Contract.

<u>907-108.01.1--General.</u> Delete the third sentence of the tenth paragraph of Subsection 108.01.1 on the bottom of page 72.

## **SPECIAL PROVISION NO. 907-109-5**

CODE: (IS)

**DATE:** 11/14/2023

## **SUBJECT:** Measurement and Payment

Section 109, Measurement and Payment, of the 2017 Edition of the Mississippi StandardSpecifications for Road and Bridge Construction is hereby amended as follows.

<u>907-109.01--Measurement of Quantities</u>. Delete the sixth full paragraph of Subsection 109.01on page 88, and substitute the following.

If appropriate based on the specific circumstances of the project, the Contractor may request that material specified to be measured by the cubic yard or ton be converted to the other measure. The Contractor must submit this request to the Engineer. The Engineer will provide an approval or denial in writing. The decision is in the sole discretion of the Engineer. If approved, factors for this conversion will be determined by the District Materials Engineer and agreed to by the Contractor. The conversion of the materials along with the conversion factor will be incorporated into the Contract by supplemental agreement. The supplemental agreement must be executed before such method of measurement is used.

### 907-109.04--Extra Work.

<u>907-109.04.1--Supplemental Agreement</u>. Delete the second paragraph of Subsection 109.04.1 on page 90.

<u>907-109.04.2--Force Account Agreement.</u> Delete the last sentence of subparagraph (c) in Subsection 109.04.2 on page 91, and substitute the following.

An amount will be added equal to fifteen percent (15%) of the sum thereof, excluding sales tax.

Delete subparagraph (d) in Subsection 109.04.2 on pages 91 & 92, and substitute the following.

(d) Equipment. Equipment used for force account work shall be of sufficient size and type necessary to perform the required work in an economic and expeditious manner. The Contractor must provide the manufacturer, make, model, year, type of fuel and other necessary information to determine proper hourly payment rates. Subject to advance approval of the Engineer, actual transportation cost for a distance of not more than 200 miles will be reimbursed for equipment not already on the project.

For equipment authorized by the Engineer for use on the force account work, the Engineer will use the equipment rental rates from the "*Rental Rate Blue Book*" as published on the Equipment Watch website <u>www.equipmentwatch.com</u> for the time period the force account work is authorized to determine payment to the Contractor. The maximum allowable rates

are determined as follows:

1. The hourly equipment rate will equal the FHWA total hourly rate. This rate takes into account adjustment factors for age and region.

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- 2. The hourly estimated operating costs have been included in the FHWA total hourly rate.
- 3. The idle and standby rates shall be as listed in the "*Rental Rate Blue Book*" as reported by *Equipment Watch*.
- 4. These rates include the basic machine plus any necessary attachments.

Standby rates shall apply when equipment is not in operation and is approved by the Engineer to standby for later use to complete the work. Idle rates shall apply to equipment located on the project and the engine is burning fuel but no ground engaging or other components are actively engaged in meaningful work. In general, idle or standby rates shall apply when equipment is not in use, but will be needed again to complete the work and the cost of moving the equipment will exceed the accumulated standby cost. If the idle standby cost should exceed the equipment moving cost to or from the work site, the Contractor will be entitled to the moving cost only. Idle or standby rates will be used under the following conditions:

- 1. The equipment is totally dedicated to the force account work and not used intermittently on other work.
- 2. Idle or standby cost will be considered only after equipment has been operated on force account work.
- 3. The sum of idle or standby time and operating time shall not exceed eight (8) hours per day or 40 hours in a week.
- 4. Idle or standby payment will not apply to days not normally considered to be work days such as holidays, weekends, or days of inclement weather when no other work is taking place.

The Department will not pay for idle or standby time when equipment is inoperable, for time spent repairing equipment, or for the time elapsed after the Engineer has advised the Contractor that the equipment is no longer needed. The Department will determine if it will be more cost effective to pay standby time on approved equipment on site or for multiple mobilizations.

If equipment is needed, which is not included in the *Rental Rate Blue Book* as reported by *Equipment Watch*, the Department and Contractor will agree upon reasonable rental rates in writing before the equipment is used.

All equipment shall be subject to approval from day to day in accordance with the requirements of Subsection 108.05.

## 907-109.06--Partial Payment.

## 907-109.06.2--Advancement on Materials.

Delete the next to last paragraph of Subsection 109.06.2 on page 95, and substitute the following.

Materials for which an advanced payment has been allowed must be paid for by the Contractor within 30 days of the estimate on which the advanced payment was first allowed and proof of said payment must be verified by the supplier. If proof of payment is not furnished within the allowable 30 days, the advanced payment will be deducted on subsequent current estimates until such time that proof of payment is furnished.

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<u>907-109.07--Changes in Material Costs.</u> After the fifth paragraph of Subsection 109.07 on page 96, change the web address to the following.

https://mdot.ms.gov/portal/current\_letting

### **SPECIAL PROVISION NO. 907-234-1**

CODE: (SP)

DATE: 10/13/2021

#### SUBJECT: Silt Fence

Section 234, Silt Fence, of the 2017 Edition of the Mississippi Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction is hereby amended as follows.

<u>907-234.02--Materials.</u> Delete the first paragraph of Subsection 234.02 on page 181, and substitute the following.

Materials used in silt fence and super silt fence may be accepted by certification per Subsection 700.05.1. Geotextile fabric, posts, staples and woven wire backing, when required, shall meet the requirements of Subsection 714.13.

907-234.05--Basis of Payment. Add the "907" prefix to the pay items listed on page 183.

## **SPECIAL PROVISION NO. 907-618-12**

CODE: (SP)

DATE: 05/03/2024

### SUBJECT: Traffic Control Management

Section 618, Maintenance of Traffic and Traffic Control Plan, of the 2017 Edition of the Mississippi Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction is hereby amended as follows.

#### 907-618.01--Description.

<u>907-618.01.2--Traffic Control Management.</u> Delete subparagraph (g) of Subsection 618.01.2 on page 441, and substitute the following.

g) Perform a minimum of once-a-week inspections from the Notice to Proceed until a Partial or Final Maintenance Release is obtained. Once work begins, daily daytime inspections and weekly nighttime inspections are required on projects with predominantly daytime work, and daily nighttime inspections and weekly daytime inspections are required on projects with predominantly nighttime work. Weekly inspections will be allowed for periods outside of active construction. When lane closures are present or any non-fixed signs or traffic handling devices such as cones or barrels are in place, inspections shall be performed daily whether work is being performed or not.

<u>907-618.05--Basis of Payment</u>. Delete pay item 618-A on page 449 and substitute the following.

907-618-A: Maintenance of Traffic

- lump sum

# **SPECIAL PROVISION NO. 907-700-1**

CODE: (IS)

DATE: 10/25/2022

# **SUBJECT:** Materials and Tests

Section 700, Materials and Tests, of the 2017 Edition of the Mississippi Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction is hereby amended as follows.

After Subsection 700.01 on page 713, add the following.

## 907-700.01.1--Buy America Materials Sourcing Requirements for Construction Materials.

As related to the requirements in Subsection 907-106.14, Construction Materials shall include an article or material that is or consists primarily of non-ferrous metals; plastic and polymer-based products (including polyvinylchloride, composite building materials, and polymers used in fiber optic cables); glass (including optic glass); lumber; or drywall. Construction Materials which are exempt from the requirements in Subsection 907-106.14 include the following: cement or cementitious materials; aggregates such as stone, sand, or gravel; or aggregate binding agents or additives.

For Construction Materials, both the final manufacturing process and the manufacturing stage immediately preceding the final manufacturing process shall occur domestically.

<u>907-700.01.2--Compliance Requirements</u>. Prior to incorporation into the work, the Contractor shall furnish the Project Engineer with certificates of compliance documenting conformance to the requirements of Subsection 907-106.14.

The certificates shall be on the Supplier's/Manufacturer's letterhead, containing the following:

- Project number
- Name of manufacturer and address of manufacture location
- Material description
- Batch number / Heat number / Lot number
- Bill of lading number
- Date received
- "I certify each material listed on this certificate to be permanently incorporated in this project has been manufactured domestically."
- Signature of an authorized representative of the Supplier/Manufacturer

# SUPPLEMENT TO SPECIAL PROVISION NO. 907-701-4

DATE: 11/05/2024

# SUBJECT: Hydraulic Cement

# 907-701.04--Blended Hydraulic Cement.

<u>907-701.04.1--Types of Blended Hydraulic Cement</u>. After the last paragraph of Subsection 907-701.04.1 on page 1, add the following.

Blended cement Types IL meeting the "HE" high early strength requirement listed in AASHTO M 240, Table 3 shall have the "(HE)" suffix added to the type designation.

## **SPECIAL PROVISION NO. 907-701-4**

CODE: (IS)

**DATE:** 11/21/2023

### SUBJECT: Hydraulic Cement

Section 701, Hydraulic Cement, of the 2017 Edition of the Mississippi Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction is hereby amended as follows.

<u>907-701.01--General</u>. In the first sentence of the second paragraph of Subsection 701.01 on page 718, change "mills" to "plants."

In the second sentence of the sixth paragraph of Subsection 701.01 on pages 718 and 719, change "shall" to "will."

#### 907-701.02--Portland Cement.

**<u>907-701.02.1-General</u>**. Delete Subsections 701.02.1.1, 701.02.1.2, 701.02.2, 701.02.2.1, and 701.02.2.2 on pages 719 and 720, and substitute the following.

<u>907-701.02.1.1--Types of Portland Cement</u>. Portland cement shall be either Type I, Type II, or Type III conforming to AASHTO M85 or Type III (MS). Type III (MS) is defined as a Type III cement conforming to AASHTO M85 having a maximum tricalcium aluminate (C<sub>3</sub>A) content of 8%.

907-701.02.2--Blank.

907-701.02.2.1--Blank.

907-701.02.2.2--Blank.

Delete Subsection 701.04 on pages 720 and 721, and substitute the following.

#### 907-701.04--Blended Hydraulic Cement.

<u>**907-701.04.1--Types of Blended Hydraulic Cement.</u> Blended hydraulic cements (blended cements) shall be of the following types and conform to AASHTO M 240:</u>** 

Type IL – Portland-limestone cement Type IP – Portland-pozzolan cement Type IS – Portland blast-furnace slag cement

Blended cement Types IL, IP, and IS meeting the "MS" sulfate resistance requirement listed in AASHTO M 240, Table 3 shall have the "(MS)" suffix added to the type designation.

## **SPECIAL PROVISION NO. 907-702-4**

CODE: (IS)

### DATE: 09/11/2018

### **SUBJECT:** Bituminous Materials

Section 702, Bituminous Materials, of the 2017 Edition of the Mississippi Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction is hereby amended as follows.

<u>907-702.04--Sampling.</u> Delete the sentence in Subsection 702.04 on page 722, and substitute the following.

Sampling of bituminous materials shall be as set out in AASHTO R 66.

<u>907-702.07--Emulsified Asphalt.</u> Delete the last sentence in Subsection 702.07 on page 724, and substitute the following.

Asphalt for fog seal shall conform to the requirements of Subsection 907-702.12, Table V.

<u>907-702.12--Tables.</u> Delete Table V in Subsection 702.12 on page 729, and substitute the following.

	LI	)-7	CH	PF-1	
Test Requirements	Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.	Test Method
Viscosity, Saybolt Furol, @ 25°C, Sec.	10	100	-	100	AASHTO T 72
Storage Stability Test, 24 hr, %	-	1	-	1	AASHTO T 59
Settlement, 5 day, %	-	5	-	-	AASHTO T 59
Oil Distillate, %	-	1	-	-	AASHTO T 59
Sieve Test, % *	-	0.3	-	0.1	AASHTO T 59
Residue by Distillation, %	40	-	40	-	AASHTO T 59
Test on Residue from Distillation					
Penetration @ 25°C, 100g, 5 sec	-	20	40	90	AASHTO T 49
Softening Point, °C	65	-	-	-	ASTM D 36
Solubility in trichloroethylene, %	97.5	-	-	-	AASHTO T 44
Elastic Recovery @ 25°C, %	-	-	40	-	AASHTO T 301
Original DSR @ 82° (G*/Sinδ, 10 rad/sec)	1	-	-	-	AASHTO T 111

# TABLE V SPECIFICATION FOR FOG SEAL

\* The Sieve Test result is tested for reporting purposes only and may be waived if no application problems are present in the field.

# SPECIAL PROVISION NO. 907-703-2

CODE: (SP)

**DATE:** 11/29/2022

### **SUBJECT:** Gradation

Section 703, Aggregates, of the 2017 Edition of the Mississippi Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction is hereby amended as follows.

### 907-703.03--Coarse Aggregates for Hydraulic Cement Concrete.

# 907-703.03.2--Detail Requirements.

<u>907-703.03.2.4--Gradation</u>. In the table in Subsection 703.03.2.4 on page 734, add 100 for the percent passing by weight on the 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-inch sieve for Size No. 67 aggregates.

Delete Note 2 under the table in Subsection 703.03.2.4 on page 734, and substitute the following.

Note  $^{2}$  – 100 percent shall pass the 1-inch sieve for Size 67 used in Class F and Class FX concrete.

## **SPECIAL PROVISION NO. 907-705-1**

CODE: (IS)

DATE: 06/13/2018

### **SUBJECT:** Stone Riprap

Section 705, Stone Blanket Protection and Filter Blanket Materials, of the 2017 Edition of the Mississippi Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction is hereby amended as follows.

<u>907-705.04--Stone Riprap</u>. Delete the last sentence of the first paragraph of Subsection 705.04 on page 750, and substitute the following.

Quality requirements for rock to be furnished under these specifications will come from a preapproved source and be visually approved prior to use.

## **SPECIAL PROVISION NO. 907-707-3**

CODE: (IS)

**DATE:** 10/27/2021

### **SUBJECT:** Joint Materials

Section 707, Joint Materials, of the 2017 Edition of the Mississippi Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction is hereby amended as follows.

907-707.02--Joint Filler.

**<u>907-707.02.2--Preformed Sponge, Rubber, Cork and Closed-Cell Polypropylene Foam Joint</u></u> <b><u>Fillers for concrete Paving and Structural Constructions.</u> Delete the two paragraphs of Subsection 707.02.2 on page 755, and substitute the following.</u>** 

Preformed joint filler shall conform to AASHTO M 153 for sponge, rubber, and cork and tested according to ASTM D545. The type required will be indicated on the plans.

Closed-cell polypropylene foam shall conform to the requirements in ASTM D8139 and tested in accordance with ASTM D545.

<u>**907-707.02.3--Wood</u>**. Delete paragraph (b) of Subsection 707.02.3 on page 755, and substitute the following:</u>

(b) Dimensions shall be as shown on the plans Dimensions shown on the plans are "dressed" sizes in accordance with Table 3 of the American Softwood Lumber Standard, SP-20. At the discretion of the Engineer, a 3/4-inch dressed board may be used in lieu of a 1-inch dressed board. A tolerance of plus or minus 1/16 inch thickness and plus or minus 1/8 inch width will be permitted. For slip-form paving a tolerance of minus 1/4 inch on each end in length will be permitted.

<u>907-707.06--Flexible Plastic Gasket for Joining Conduit</u>. Delete the third paragraph of Subsection 707.06 on page 756, and substitute the following.

The Department may require the performance test described in ASTM C 990.

## **SPECIAL PROVISION NO. 907-711-2**

CODE: (IS)

### DATE: 09/11/2018

### SUBJECT: Plain Steel Wire

Section 711, Reinforcement and Wire Rope, of the 2017 Edition of the Mississippi Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction is hereby amended as follows.

#### 907-711.02--Deformed and Plain Carbon-Steel Bars for Concrete Reinforcing.

# <u>907-711.02.3--Steel Welded and Non-Welded Wire Reinforcement, Plain and Deformed, for</u> <u>Concrete</u>.

<u>907-711.02.3.1--Plain Steel Wire.</u> Delete the sentence in Subsection 711.02.3.1 on pages 780 and 781, and substitute the following.

Plain steel wire and plain steel welded wire shall conform to the requirements of AASHTO M 336.

# **SPECIAL PROVISION NO. 907-712-1**

CODE: (SP)

DATE: 12/07/2021

## **SUBJECT:** Fence and Guardrail

Section 712, Fence and Guardrail, of the 2017 Edition of the Mississippi Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction is hereby amended as follows.

907-712.01--General. After the sentence in Subsection 712.01 on page 785, add the following.

All materials' inspection, testing, and certification will be performed in accordance with the requirements of the current version of the Department's *Materials Division Inspection, Testing, and Certification Manual.* 

Delete Subsections 712.02 and 712.03 on page 785, and substitute the following.

<u>907-712.02--Barbed Wire.</u> Barbed wire shall conform to the requirements of AASHTO M 280. In the coastal counties of Hancock, Harrison, and Jackson, either Coating Type Z Class 3 or Coating Type A shall be furnished. In all other areas of the State, either Coating Type Z Class 1, Coating Type Z Class 3, Coating Type ZA Class 60, or Coating Type A shall be furnished.

<u>907-712.03--Metallic-Coated, Steel Woven Wire Fence Fabric</u>. Woven wire fencing (i.e., "hog wire") shall conform to the requirements of AASHTO M 279. In the coastal counties of Hancock, Harrison, and Jackson, either Coating Type Z Class 3 or Coating Type A shall be furnished. In all other areas of the State, either Coating Type Z Class 1, Coating Type Z Class 3, Coating Type ZA Class 60, or Coating Type A shall be furnished.

<u>907-712.04--Chain Link Fence.</u> Delete Subsections 712.04.1 thru 712.04.7 on pages 785 & 786, and substitute the following.

<u>907-712.04.1--Fabric.</u> In the coastal counties of Hancock, Harrison, and Jackson, either Type I Class D, Type II, Type III, or Type IV fabrics shall be furnished. In all other areas of the State, either Type I Class C, Type I Class D, Type II, Type III, or Type IV fabrics shall be furnished.

<u>907-712.04.2--Tie Wire</u>. Tie wire shall be of the same material as the fencing wire being used, shall be of good commercial quality, and shall meet the requirements of AASHTO M 181. Either Type I, Type II, or Type IV tie wire shall be furnished.

<u>907-712.04.3--Tension Wire.</u> Tension wire shall be of the same material as the fencing wire being used, shall be of good commercial quality, and shall meet the requirements of AASHTO M 181. In the coastal counties of Hancock, Harrison, and Jackson, either Type I Class 3, Type II, Type III, or Type IV tension shall be furnished. In all other areas of the State, either Type II, Type III, Type IV, or Type I Classes 1, 2, or 3 tension wires shall be furnished.

<u>907-712.04.4--Posts Rails, Gate Frames, and Expansion Sleeves.</u> Posts, rails, gate frames, and expansion sleeves shall conform to the requirements for posts in Subsection 712.05.2, unless otherwise designated in the contract.

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<u>907-712.04.5--Miscellaneous Fittings and Hardware.</u> Miscellaneous fittings and hardware shall conform to the requirements of Subsection 712.16.

### 907-712.05--Fence Posts and Braces.

#### 907-712.05.1--Treated Timber Posts and Braces.

<u>907-712.05.1.1--General.</u> Delete the third, fourth, fifth, and sixth paragraphs of Subsection 712.05.1.1 on page 787, and substitute the following.

All wood posts and braces shall be treated in accordance with Subsections 718.03 and 718.04.

<u>907-712.05.1.2--Round Posts</u>. Delete the last sentence of the last paragraph of Subsection 712.05.1.2 on page 788.

<u>907-712.05.1.3--Sawed Posts.</u> Delete the last sentence of the paragraph of Subsection 712.05.1.3 on page 788.

<u>907-712.05.1.4--Sawed Braces.</u> Delete the last sentence of the paragraph of Subsection 712.05.1.4 on page 788.

Delete Subsection 712.05.2 on page 788, and substitute the following.

#### 907-712.05.2--Metal Posts.

**<u>907-712.05.2.1--Round Steel Pipe.</u>** Round steel pipe shall meet the requirements of AASHTO M 181, either Grade 1 (i.e., meeting the requirements in ASTM F 1083) or Grade 2 (i.e., meeting the requirements of ASTM F 1043).

Round steel pipe shall be sized in accordance with NPS (nominal pipe size) designations as shown on Plans, and not according to the outer or inner pipe diameter.

<u>907-712.05.2.2--Steel Fence Post and Assemblies, Hot-Wrought</u>. Steel posts with the following section shapes, Tee, channel or U, and Y-Bar shall meet the requirements of AASHTO M 281, galvanized in accordance with the requirements of AASHTO M 111, unless otherwise specified in the contract. Acceptance of these steel posts shall be by certification from the manufacturer, producer, supplier, or fabricator, as applicable.

#### 907-712.05.2.3--Blank.

<u>907-712.05.2.4--Steel H-Beam Posts.</u> Steel H-Beam posts shall be produced from structural quality weldable steel having a minimum yield strength of 45,000 psi and shall be galvanized in accordance with ASTM A 123. Steel H-Beam line posts shall be 2.250 inches by 1.625 inches and shall weigh 3.43 pounds per foot. A tolerance of plus or minus 5.0 percent is allowed for

weight per foot. A tolerance of plus or minus 1.0 percent is allowed for dimensions.

<u>907-712.05.2.5--Aluminum-Alloy Posts and Assemblies.</u> Round aluminum-alloy posts shall meet the requirements of ASTM B 241, Alloy 6061, T6. Aluminum-Alloy H-Beam posts shall meet the requirements of ASTM B 221, Alloy 6061, T6.

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<u>907-712.05.2.6--Formed Steel Section Posts.</u> Formed steel section posts, "C" sections, shall be formed from sheet steel conforming to ASTM A 1011, Grade 45, and shall be galvanized in accordance with ASTM A 123.

## 907-712.06--Guard and Guardrail Posts.

## 907-712.06.2--Treated Wood Posts.

<u>907-712.06.2.1--Square Posts.</u> Delete the paragraph in Subsection 712.06.2.1 on page 789, and substitute the following.

All square posts shall be inspected for conformance with Section 712.05, except that the posts may be rough and shall be within  $\pm 3/8$ " of the dimensions shown on the plans.

<u>907-712.06.2.2--Round Posts.</u> Delete the paragraph in Subsection 712.06.2.2 on page 789, and substitute the following.

All round posts shall be inspected for conformance with Section 712.05, except that the posts shall be of the shape and dimensions shown on the plans.

<u>907-712.06.5--Treated Wood Blocks for Use with Metal Guardrail Posts</u>. Delete the paragraphs of Subsection 712.06.5 on pages 789 & 790, and substitute the following.

Treated wood blocks for use with metal guardrail posts shall be within  $\pm 3/8$ " of the size and dimensions shown on the plans, except that a minus tolerance shall not be allowed for the slotted width in which the metal post must fit.

Delete Subsection 712.16 on page 791, and substitute the following.

<u>907-712.16--Hardware</u>. All ferrous metal hardware for fencing such as bolts, nuts, washers, and metal straps shall be as specified on the plans and galvanizing shall not be less than 1.0 ounce per square foot of uncoated area. Aluminum coated hardware shall be coated with aluminum meeting the requirements of AASHTO M 181 for aluminum coating and at the rate of not less than 0.4 ounces per square foot of uncoated area.

Aluminum alloy hardware shall conform to the requirements of ASTM B 221 for extruded aluminum alloy 6063, T6. The finished members shall be of uniform quality.

Aluminum-zinc coated hardware shall be coated with an aluminum-zinc alloy meeting the chemical requirements and weight of coating specified for aluminum-zinc alloy coated metal gates.

# **SPECIAL PROVISION NO. 907-714-3**

CODE: (SP)

### DATE: 08/31/2021

### **SUBJECT:** Miscellaneous Materials

Section 714, Miscellaneous Materials, of the 2017 Edition of the Mississippi Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction is hereby amended as follows.

#### 907-714.01--Water.

<u>907-714.01.1--General.</u> Delete the last sentence of the second paragraph in Subsection 714.01.1 on page 794.

<u>907-714.01.2--Water for Use in Concrete.</u> Delete Subsection 714.01.2 on page 794, and substitute the following:

Water from municipal sources is permitted be used as mixing water in concrete, mortar, and grout without Department testing. Water from non-municipal water sources used in mixing of concrete, mortar, and grout which does not meet the requirements in Subsection 714.01.1 shall be tested for conformance as required in AASHTO M157, Table 1 and Table 2.

<u>907-714.01.3--Water for Use in Chemically Stabilized Based.</u> Delete the first sentence of first paragraph in Subsection 714.01.3 on page 794, and substitute the following:

Water used in the construction of bases that contain cement, lime, or other chemical additive shall be as set out in Subsection 714.01.1. Water from municipal sources is permitted to be used without testing for conformance to the requirements below. If water is not from a municipal source, it shall not contain impurities in excess of the following limits:

Delete Subsection 714.01.6 on page 795, and substitute the following.

## 907-714.01.6--Blank.

#### 907-714.05--Fly Ash.

**<u>907-714.05.1--General.</u>** Delete the first sentence of the fifth paragraph in Subsection 714.05.1 on page 797.

# 907-714.13--Geotextiles.

**<u>907-714.13.11--Tables.</u>** Delete Table 1 in Subsection 714.13.11 on page 813, and substitute the following.

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Delete Subsection 714.15 on pages 816 and 817 and substitute the following.

# 907-714.15--Geogrids.

<u>907-714.15.1–General</u>. A geogrid is defined as a geosynthetic formed by a regular network of connected elements with apertures greater than 0.25 inch to allow interlocking with surrounding soil, rock, and other surrounding materials to function primarily as reinforcement.

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Geogrid shall be manufactured from an expanded strain hardened monolithic polymer sheet composed of one or more synthetic polymers and shall be mildew resistant and inert to biological degradation and naturally encountered chemicals, alkalis and acids. The geogrid shall contain stabilizers and/or inhibitors, or a resistance finish or covering to make it resistant to deterioration from direct sunlight, ultraviolet rays, and heat.

Geogrid manufacturers shall participate in and be in compliance with the American Association of State Highway Transportation Officials (AASHTO) National Transportation Product Evaluation Program's (NTPEP) Geosynthetics audit program. Geogrid shall meet the requirements of Table II for the application and type shown on the plans and shall be selected from the Department's Approved Lists.

<u>907-714.15.1.1--Geogrid for Retaining Walls and Reinforced Soil Slopes</u>. Geogrid for retaining walls and reinforced soil slopes shall be creep tested in accordance with AASHTO R69 and meet Long Term Design Load, Minimum Ultimate Tensile Strength, and open area criteria listed in Table II. Manufacturers shall perform at least one long-term creep test for no less than 10,000 hours in accordance to ASTM D 5262 for each polymer or composition of polymers from which the geogrid is produced. The long-term design load that shall be reported for design use, shall be that load at which no more than 10% strain occurs over a 100-year design life of the geogrid, as calculated in accordance with AASHTO R69. Long-term design loads shall be reported unfactored, and the AASHTO strength reduction factors (Durability and Installation, and safety factors) will be considered by the Department's Geotechnical Branch on a site specific design basis.

<u>907-714.15.1.2--Geogrid for Subgrade Stabilization</u>. Geogrid for subgrade stabilization shall meet Minimum Ultimate Tensile Strength and open area criteria listed in Table II.

<u>907-714.15.2--Marking, Shipment, and Storage</u>. Each roll or container of geogrid shall be visibly labeled with the name of the manufacturer, trade name of the product, lot number, and quantity of material. In addition, each roll or container shall be clearly tagged to show the type designation that corresponds to that required by the plans. During shipment and storage the geogrid shall be protected from direct sunlight, and temperatures above 120°F or below 0°F. The geogrid shall either be wrapped and maintained in a heavy duty protective covering or stored in a safe enclosed area to protect from damage during prolonged storage.

<u>907-714.15.3--Manufacturer Certification</u>. The Contractor shall furnish the Engineer three copies of the manufacturer's certified test reports indicating that the geogrid furnished conforms to the requirements of the specifications and is of the same composition as the originally approved

by the Department.

<u>907-714.15.4--Acceptance Sampling and Testing</u>. Final acceptance of each shipment will be based upon results of tests performed by the Department on verification samples submitted from the project, as compared to the manufacturer's certified test reports. The Engineer will select one roll or container at random from each shipment for sampling. As sample extending full width of the randomly selected roll or container and being at least five (5) square yards in area will be obtained and submitted by the Engineer. All material samples shall be provided at no cost to the State.

Physical Properties			Type De	signation	_		Test Method
	Ι	II	III	IV	V	VI	
Long Term Design Load <sup>1</sup> , pounds per foot, Machine Direction	250	500	750	1500	2500	3500	AASHTO R69, ASTM D5262
Minimum Ultimate Tensile Strength <sup>2</sup> , pounds per foot, Machine Direction	500	1000	1500	3000	5000	7000	ASTM D6637
Open Area, percent	70	70	50	50	50	50	Direct Measurement

#### TABLE II GEOGRIDS

<sup>1</sup> Minimum design criteria requirement.

<sup>2</sup> Minimum Average Roll Value (MARV).

# **SPECIAL PROVISION NO. 907-718-1**

CODE: (SP)

DATE: 12/07/2021

# SUBJECT: Timber and Dimension Lumber

Section 718, Timber and Dimension Lumber, of the 2017 Edition of the Mississippi Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction is hereby amended as follows.

Delete the Subsections in Section 718 on pages 836 thru 838, and substitute the following.

<u>907-718.01--General.</u> All timber and dimension lumber shall be Southern pine and shall conform in all respects to applicable requirements of AASHTO M 168. The Department reserves the right to sample and to test all materials at any time; all inspection, testing, and certification of materials will be performed in accordance with the requirements of the current version of the Department's *Materials Division Inspection, Testing, and Certification Manual*.

Timber and dimension lumber shall be furnished in the sizes shown on the plans or as specified. Unless otherwise specified, timber and dimension lumber shall be No. 1, or better, graded according to the latest American Lumber Standards.

Only one type of preservative shall be used for the treatment of materials for any one class of construction on a project, unless otherwise specified.

Where treated timber and dimensional lumber is to be used in non-highway construction or use, such as decking, handrails in walking trails, or in any manner where general public exposure by touch is possible, the treatment requirements will be as per project plans and/or approved by the State Materials Engineer.

<u>907-718.02--Untreated Timber and Dimension Lumber</u>. Untreated timber and dimension lumber shall conform to the requirements of AASHTO M 168.

<u>907-718.03--Treated Timber and Dimension Lumber</u>. Timber and dimension lumber to be treated shall meet the requirements herein specified and shall be treated as specified. Treated timber or dimensional lumber will not be accepted for use unless it has been inspected by an authorized representative of the Department and found to be satisfactory after treatment.

## 907-718.03.1--Blank.

# <u>907-718.03.2--Treatment.</u>

<u>907-718.03.2.1--General.</u> All materials shall be treated in accordance with AASHTO M 133 unless otherwise directed by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

# <u>907-718.03.2.2--Blank.</u>

<u>907-718.03.2.3--Inspection</u>. Treated timber and dimension lumber shall be inspected by an authorized representative of the Department before being incorporated into the work. Treatment reports shall be provided to the Department for each lot of material supplied.

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# 907-718.03.3--Blank.

<u>907-718.03.4--Storage of Treated Material</u>. All material treated for stock shall be stacked as compactly as possible on a well-drained surface. Material shall be supported on sills spaced as necessary, not to exceed 10 foot intervals and shall have at least one foot of air space beneath the stacks.

All materials treated with preservatives for use in buildings and applications where painting is required shall be dried after treatment. The treated wood shall be dried in accordance with American Lumber Standards.

<u>907-718.04--Preservative</u>. Preservatives shall be as specified in AASHTO M 133 unless otherwise directed by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

# **SPECIAL PROVISION NO. 907-720-3**

CODE: (IS)

# DATE: 07/09/2024

# **SUBJECT:** Pavement Marking Materials

Section 720, Pavement Marking Materials, of the 2017 Edition of the Mississippi Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction is hereby amended as follows.

Delete Section 720 on pages 840 thru 854, and substitute the following.

# SECTION 720 - PAVEMENT MARKING MATERIALS

<u>907-720.01--General</u>. The Department reserves the right to perform sampling and testing of any materials at any time. Upon request of the Engineer, samples of the material shall be furnished.

<u>907-720.02--Color Requirements.</u> All pavement markings except raised pavement markers are required to meet the color requirements of ASTM D6628.

<u>907-720.03--Optics</u>. Optics used in thermoplastic pavement markings shall consist of a doubledrop system of glass beads or advanced optics.

<u>907-720.03.1--Glass Beads</u>. The manufacturer shall furnish the Engineer with a certified test report indicating that the glass beads meet AASHTO M 247. AASHTO Type 4 beads shall be applied to the newly placed stripe first, followed by the application of AASHTO Type 1 beads. Type 1 and 4 glass beads shall be transparent, clean, colorless glass, smooth and spherically shaped, free from milkiness, pits, or excessive air bubbles. Type 1 and 4 glass beads shall be coated with a bead coating that is compatible with the traffic marking material to which the glass beads will be applied and will provide adequate moisture proofing, increased adhesion, and optimum embedment of the glass beads.

<u>907-720.03.1.1--Acceptance Procedure</u>. The Contractor shall furnish the Engineer with a copy of the manufacturer's certified test reports for the lot(s) of materials from which the shipment originated. The test report shall show all the test results for the material properties and characteristics as specified herein. The test report shall state that the material represented by the test results meets all the requirements of the contract. It shall be the Contractor's responsibility to furnish the manufacturer's test report to the Engineer for each shipment of material to the project.

Acceptance sampling and testing will be in accordance with the Materials Division Inspection, Testing, and Certification Manual (Materials Manual). Samples of the material shall be furnished and shall be provided at no cost to the State.

<u>907-720.03.2--Advanced Optics</u>. Advanced optics are materials that do not meet the specific requirements of AASHTO M 247 but produce a final drop-on optics system that meets or exceeds

the reflectivity requirements in Special Provision 907-626. Advanced optics shall be a doubledrop system that is pre-approved and listed on the Department's Approved Products List.

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<u>907-720.03.2.1--Acceptance Procedure</u>. The Contractor shall furnish the Engineer with a copy of the manufacturer's certified test reports for the lot(s) of materials from which the shipment originated. The test report shall show all the test results for the material properties and characteristics as specified herein. The test report shall state that the material represented by the test results meets all the requirements of the contract. It shall be the Contractor's responsibility to furnish the manufacturer's test report to the Engineer for each shipment of material to the project.

Acceptance sampling and testing may be conducted at the request of the Engineer. Samples of the material shall be furnished and shall be provided at no cost to the State.

# 907-720.04--Thermoplastic Marking Material.

<u>907-720.04.1--General.</u> Thermoplastic marking material shall meet the color requirements of Subsection 907-720.02.

There shall be no obvious change in the color of the material if held at its plastic temperature for a period of four (4) hours nor by reason of four (4) re-heatings to its plastic temperature.

The pavement markings shall maintain its original dimension and placement. The material shall not be slippery when wet and it shall not lift from the pavement in freezing weather.

<u>907-720.04.2--Extruded Thermoplastic Material</u>. Extruded thermoplastic pavement marking material shall meet the requirements of AASHTO M 249, and shall meet the requirements of 907-720.04 with the following exceptions:

• Blue - ADA thermoplastic marking material shall meet the requirements of Subsection 907-720.04.2 with the exception that the color shall be Blue – ADA, and the Contractor may use hot applied thermoplastic materials meeting the satisfaction of the Engineer.

<u>907-720.04.3--Spray-Applied Thermoplastic Material</u>. Spray-applied thermoplastic pavement marking material shall meet the requirements of AASHTO M 249 and shall meet the requirements of 907-720.04.

<u>907-720.04.4--Pre-formed Thermoplastic Material</u>. Heat-fused, pre-formed thermoplastic pavement marking material shall meet the color requirements of 907-720.02.

<u>907-720.04.5--Acceptance Procedure</u>. The Contractor shall furnish the Engineer with a copy of the manufacturer's certified test reports for the lot(s) of materials from which the shipment originated. The test report shall show all the test results for the material properties and characteristics as specified herein. The test report shall state that the material represented by the test results meets all the requirements of the contract. It shall be the Contractor's responsibility to furnish the manufacturer's test report to the Engineer for each shipment of material to the project.

# 907-720.05--Pavement Marking Tape.

<u>907-720.05.1--General.</u> Pavement marking tape shall be listed on the Department's Approved Lists.

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<u>907-720.05.2--Cold Plastic Pavement Markings (Permanent Pavement Marking Tape)</u>. Pavement marking tape for use in roadway applications shall be designated on the Department's Approved Lists as permanent.

The prefabricated markings described shall consist of white or yellow pigmented plastic films with reflective optics uniformly distributed throughout their entire cross-sectional area, and be capable of being affixed by either a pressure sensitive pre-coated adhesive or a liquid contact cement. The markings shall be provided complete in a form that will facilitate rapid application and protect the markings in shipment and storage. The manufacturer shall identify proper solvents and/or adhesives to be applied at the time of application, all equipment necessary for proper application, and recommendations for application that will assure an effective performance life.

Prefabricated legends and symbols shall conform to the applicable shapes and sizes as outlined in the current "Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices."

<u>907-720.05.2.1--Specific Requirements</u>. Unless otherwise indicated on the plans, the patterned material without adhesive shall have a minimum caliper of 0.065 inch at the thickest portion of the patterned cross-section and a minimum caliper of 0.020 inch at the thinnest portion of the cross-section. The material shall be a pliant polymer film with  $50\pm15\%$  of the surface are raised and presenting a near vertical face angle of  $0^{\circ}$  to  $60^{\circ}$  to traffic from any direction. The channels between the raised areas shall be substantially free of exposed optics or particles.

The size and quality of the optics will be such that performance requirements of Subsection 907-720.02 for the retroreflective pliant polymer film shall be met. The pigments shall be selected and blended to provide a marking film that is white or yellow conforming to the performance requirements of Subsection 907-720.02 through the expected life of the film.

<u>907-720.05.2.2--Conformability and Resealing</u>. The marking shall be capable of conforming to pavement contours, breaks, faults, etc. through the action of traffic at normal pavement temperatures.

The marking shall have resealing characteristics that allows it to be capable of fusing with itself and previously applied marking of the same composition under normal conditions of use. The marking shall be capable of use for patching worn areas of the same type in accordance with manufacturer's instructions.

<u>907-720.05.2.3--Tensile Strength and Elongation</u>. The material shall have a minimum tensile strength of 40 pounds per square inch of cross section when tested according to ASTM D 638. A 6-inch x 1-inch x 0.06-inch sample shall be tested at a temperature between 70°F and 80°F using a jaw speed of 12 inches per minute.

The material shall have a minimum elongation of 75% at break when tested according to ASTM D 638 using a jaw speed of 12 inches per minute.

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<u>907-720.05.2.4--Skid Resistance</u>. The surface of the material shall provide a minimum skid resistance value of 45 BPN when tested according to ASTM E 303 except values will be taken at downweb and at a 45-degree angle from downweb. These two values will then be averaged to find the skid resistance of the patterned surface.

<u>907-720.05.2.5--Effective Performance Life and Warranty</u>. When applied according to the recommendations of the manufacturer the pavement marking tape shall provide a neat and durable marking that will not flow or distort due to temperature if the pavement surface remains stable. The film shall be weather resistant and through normal traffic wear shall show no appreciable fading, lifting, or shrinkage throughout the useful life of the marking, nor shall it show significant tearing, roll back, or other signs of poor adhesion.

All manufacturer's standard warranties and guarantees on pavement marking tape, which are provided as customary trade practice, shall be delivered to the Engineer at the final inspection. All warranties and guarantees shall be made out to the Department.

<u>907-720.05.2.6--Acceptance Procedure</u>. The Contractor shall furnish the Engineer with a copy of the manufacturer's certified test reports for the lot(s) of materials from which the shipment originated. The test report shall show all the test results for the material properties and characteristics as specified herein. The test report shall state that the material represented by the test results meets all the requirements of the contract. It shall be the Contractor's responsibility to furnish the manufacturer's test report to the Engineer for each shipment of material to the project.

Acceptance sampling and testing will be in accordance with the Materials Division Inspection, Testing, and Certification Manual (Materials Manual). Samples of the material shall be furnished and shall be provided at no cost to the State.

<u>907-720.05.3--Preformed Pavement Markings for Construction Zones</u>. Preformed pavement markings for construction zones shall be designated Department's Approved Lists as temporary. Retroreflective preformed pavement markings for construction zones shall be as specified on the plans or in the contract documents.

The markings shall be provided in specified widths and shapes. Preformed words and symbols shall conform to the applicable shapes and sizes as outlined in the current "Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices for Streets and Highways," or as modified.

The materials shall be packaged in accordance with accepted commercial standards and when stored indoors in a cool dry place, shall be suitable for use one year after date of purchase.

<u>907-720.05.3.1--Specific Requirements</u>. Preformed markings shall consist of retroreflective materials on a conformable backing and shall meet the performance requirements of Subsection 907-720.02. The markings shall consist of a mixture of high-quality polymeric materials, pigments, and optics with a reflective layer of optics bonded to the top surface. The markings shall

be pre-coated with a pressure sensitive adhesive capable of adhering to pavement in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions without the use of heat, solvents, or other additional adhesives. The markings and/or adhesive shall not require any curing time after application. A coated non-metallic medium shall be incorporated with the pressure sensitive adhesive to facilitate removal.

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<u>907-720.05.3.2--Acceptance Procedure</u>. The Contractor shall furnish the Engineer with a copy of the manufacturer's certified test reports for the lot(s) of materials from which the shipment originated. The test report shall show all the test results for the material properties and characteristics as specified herein. The test report shall state that the material represented by the test results meets all the requirements of the contract. It shall be the Contractor's responsibility to furnish the manufacturer's test report to the Engineer for each shipment of material to the project.

## 907-720.06--Raised Pavement Markers.

<u>907-720.06.1--General.</u> Pavement markers shall be listed on the Department's Approved Lists and shall conform to ASTM D 4280.

<u>907-720.06.2--Packaging</u>. Shipments shall be made in containers acceptable to common carriers and packaged in such a manner as to ensure delivery in perfect condition. All damaged shipments shall be replaced by the Contractor. Each package shall be clearly marked as to the name of the manufacturer, type, quantity enclosed, lot number, and date of manufacture.

<u>907-720.06.3--Non-Reflective Pavement Markers</u>. Non-reflective pavement markers are occasionally referred to as "jiggle markers". Non-reflective markers consisting of a heat-fired, vitreous, ceramic base, and a heat-fired, opaque, glazed surface are permitted for use; the bottom of the marker shall not be glazed. Ceramic markers shall be produced from any suitable combination of intimately mixed clays, shales, talcs, flints, feldspars, or other inorganic material. Ceramic markers shall be thoroughly and evenly matured, and all non-reflective pavement markers shall be free from defects which affect appearance or serviceability.

	Table 2
Ceramic Non-Re	flective Marker Requirements
Glaze Thickness	0.005 inch, minimum
Mohs Hardness	6, minimum
Autoclave	Glaze shall not spall, craze, or peel.
Compressive Strength	750 psi, minimum
Water Absorption	2.0%, maximum

Ceramic non-reflective markers shall conform to the following finish and testing requirements in Table 2 below.

<u>907-720.06.4--Acceptance Procedure</u>. The Contractor shall furnish the Engineer with a copy of the manufacturer's certified test reports for the lot(s) of materials from which the shipment originated. The test report shall show all the test results for the material properties and characteristics as specified herein. The test report shall state that the material represented by the test results meets all the requirements of the contract. It shall be the Contractor's responsibility to

furnish the manufacturer's test report to the Engineer for each shipment of material to the project.

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# 907-720.07--Adhesive for Pavement Markers.

907-720.07.1--General. The adhesive shall be listed on the Department's Approved Lists and shall be an asphaltic material suitable for bonding pavement markers to surfaces when the road surface and marker temperatures are in the range of 50°F to 160°F. The composition of the adhesive must be such that its properties will not deteriorate when heated to and applied at temperatures up to 425°F. Samples may be submitted in the form of an adhesive testing package from each batch or material obtained from a package shipped to the project.

907-720.07.2--Packaging and Labeling. The adhesive shall be packaged in self-releasing cardboard containers that will stack properly. The label shall show the manufacturer, quantity, and lot or batch number. "Adhesive for Pavement Markers" or "Adhesive for Traffic Markers" shall be printed in bold lettering on the label.

**907-720.07.3--Bituminous Adhesive.** The asphaltic adhesive material shall be flexible type.

Flexible bituminous adhesive shall be 907-720.07.3.1--Flexible Bituminous Adhesive. designated on the Department's Approved Lists as flexible and shall comply with requirements of Table 3 below.

	Tabl	e 3	
Flexible Bitur	ninous A	Adhesive	Properties
	Min	Max	Test Method
Penetration @ 77°F	-	25	ASTM D 5
Softening Point, °F	200	-	ASTM D 36
Brookfield Viscosity @ 400°F, cp.	-	10,000	ASTM D 3236
Ductility @ 77°F, 5 cm/min	15	-	ASTM D 113
Ductility @ 39.2°F, 1 cm/min	5	-	ASTM D 113
Asphalt Compatibility	Ра	ISS	ASTM D 5329
Flexibility @ 20°F	Ра	ISS	Per Subsection

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907-720.07.4--Acceptance Procedure. The Contractor shall furnish the Engineer with a copy of the manufacturer's certified test reports for the lot(s) of materials from which the shipment originated. The test report shall show all the test results for the material properties and characteristics as specified herein. The test report shall state that the material represented by the test results meets all the requirements of the contract. It shall be the Contractor's responsibility to furnish the manufacturer's test report to the Engineer for each shipment of material to the project.

Acceptance sampling and testing will be in accordance with the Materials Division Inspection, Testing, and Certification Manual (Materials Manual). Samples of the material shall be furnished and shall be provided at no cost to the State.

### **SPECIAL PROVISION NO. 907-721-4**

CODE: (IS)

#### **DATE:** 04/19/2022

#### **SUBJECT:** Materials for Signing

Section 721, Materials for Signing, of the 2017 Edition of the Mississippi Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction is hereby amended as follows.

#### 907-721.06--Reflective Sheeting.

<u>907-721.06.2--Performance Requirements.</u> Delete Table 4 and Table 5 in Subsection 721.06.2 on pages 860 & 861, and substitute the following.

#### MINIMUM COEFFICIENTS OF RETROREFLECTION Candela per foot candle per square foot (cd/fc/ft<sup>2</sup>) Per ASTM Designation D4956

#### TABLE 4 Type IX Sheeting

Observation Angle	Entrance Angle	White	Yellow	Green	Red	Blue	Fluorescent Yellow/Green	Fluorescent Yellow	Fluorescent Orange
0.2°	-4.0°	380	285	38	76	17	300	230	115
0.2°	+30.0°	215	162	22	43	10	170	130	65
0.5°	-4.0°	240	180	24	48	11	190	145	72
0.5°	+30.0°	135	100	14	27	6.0	110	81	41
1.0°	-4.0°	80	60	8.0	16	3.6	64	48	24
1.0°	+30.0°	45	34	4.5	9.0	2.0	36	27	14

#### TABLE 5 Type XI Sheeting

Observation Angle	Entrance Angle	White	Yellow	Green	Red	Blue	Brown	Fluorescent Yellow/Green	Fluorescent Yellow	Fluorescent Orange
0.2°	-4.0°	580	435	58	87	26	17	460	350	175
0.2°	+30.0°	220	165	22	33	10	7.0	180	130	66
0.5°	-4.0°	420	315	42	63	19	13	340	250	125
0.5°	+30.0°	150	110	15	23	7.0	5.0	120	90	45
1.0°	-4.0°	120	90	12	18	5.0	4.0	96	72	36
1.0°	+30.0°	45	34	5.0	7.0	2.0	1.0	36	27	14

After Subsection 721.10 on page 864, add the following.

<u>907-721.11--Digital Applied Printing</u>. The following addresses the requirements for digitally printed finished retroreflective traffic control signs on flat sheet aluminum and digitally printed traffic sign faces intended to be applied to a sign substrate.

<u>907-721.11.1--Digitally Printed Ink Systems</u>. Traffic signs must be produced using components, and processes that comply with the retroreflective sheeting manufacturer's recommendations.

Digital printed ink systems used to print traffic signs must meet and comply with daytime and nighttime chromaticity (color standards) as recognized in ASTM D4956 "Standard Specification for Retroreflective Sheeting for Traffic Control."

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Digital printed ink systems must meet 70% of the initial retroreflectivity specifications of each respective reflective film color as found in ASTM D4956 "Standard Specification for Retroreflective Sheeting for Traffic Control."

Prior to fabrication and preferably at the preconstruction meeting, the Contractor shall advise the Project Engineer in writing as to which signs on the project will be digitally printed and which ones will be screen printed. The Contractor shall submit to the Project Engineer certifications for all digitally printed signs, which will be forwarded to the State Traffic Engineer for review.

907-721.11.2--Protective Overlay Film. Permanent traffic signs printed with digital ink systems will be fabricated with a full sign protective overlay film designed to provide a smooth surface needed for retroreflectivity, and to protect the sign from fading and UV degradation. The overlaminate shall comply with the retroreflective sheeting manufacturer's recommendations to ensure proper adhesion and transparency and will also meet the reflective film durability as identified in Table 1.

Retroreflective	Film Minimum Du	rability Requirements
ASTM D4956 Type	Full Sign Replacement Term (years)	Sheeting Replacement Term (years)
IV	7	10
VIII	7	10
IX	7	12
XI	7	12

Table 1

Temporary signs used in work zones printed with black ink only will not require a protective overlay film as long as the finished sign is warranted for a minimum outdoor durability of three years by the sheeting manufacturer.

907-721.11.3--Inspection. During fabrication, the Contractor shall provide sufficient testing and quality control throughout fabrication to insure good workmanship. Once the material has been received, it may be subject to random testing to ensure compliance with all requirements. If any test samples do not conform to the requirements, the entire order may be returned at the vendor's expense.

907-721.11.4--Traffic Sign Performance Warranty Provisions. Based on the ASTM Type of sheeting specified, traffic control signs shall be warranted for the duration shown in Table 1. The Contractor shall supply a copy of the warranty document with complete details of terms and conditions upon request of the Department.

<u>907-721.11.5--Certified Digital Sign Fabricator</u>. Sign fabricators using digital imaging methods to produce regulated traffic signs must be certified by the reflective sheeting manufacturer whose materials are used to produce the delivered signs.

Certified sign fabricators must undergo an audit process by the sheeting manufacturer to ensure they have the proper equipment, manufacturing capabilities, manufacturing application processes and the materials required to fulfill the sheeting manufacturer's warranty obligations. Sign fabricators must recertify annually with reflective sheeting manufacturers or utilize a 3<sup>rd</sup> party certifier approved by the reflective sheeting manufacturer.

The Contractor shall submit proof of Sign Fabricator Certification as issued by the retroreflective sign sheeting manufacturer to the Project Engineer upon delivery of the signs, or with the Shop Drawings.

## SECTION 905 - PROPOSAL

	Date	
Mississippi Transportation Commission		
Jackson, Mississippi		
Sirs: The following proposal is made on behalf of		
of		
for constructing the following designated project(s) within the time(s) h	nereinafter specified.	

The plans are composed of drawings and blue prints on file in the offices of the Mississippi Department of Transportation, Jackson, Mississippi.

The Specifications are the current Standard Specifications of the Mississippi Department of Transportation approved by the Federal Highway Administration, except where superseded or amended by the plans, Special Provisions and Notice(s) to Bidders attached hereto and made a part thereof.

I (We) certify that I (we) possess a copy of said Standard and any Supplemental Specifications.

Evidence of my (our) authority to submit the Proposal is hereby furnished. The proposal is made without collusion on the part of any person, firm or corporation. I (We) certify that I (we) have carefully examined the Plans, the Specifications, including the Special Provisions and Notice(s) to Bidders, herein, and have personally examined the site of the work. On the basis of the Specifications, Special Provisions, Notice(s) to Bidders, and Plans, I (we) propose to furnish all necessary machinery, tools, apparatus and other means of construction and do all the work and furnish all the materials in the manner specified. I (We) understand that the quantities mentioned herein are approximate only and are subject to either increase or decrease, and hereby propose to perform any increased or decreased quantities of work at the unit prices bid, in accordance with the above.

I (We) acknowledge that this proposal will be found irregular and/or non-responsive unless a certified check, cashiet's check, or Proposal Guaranty Bond in the amount as required in the Advertisement (or, by law) is submitted electronically with the proposal or is delivered to the Contract Administration Engineer prior to the bid opening time specified in the advertisement.

INSTRUCTION TO BIDDERS: Alternate and Optional Items on Bid Schedule.

- 1. Two or more items entered opposite a single unit quantity WITHOUT DEFINITE DESIGNATION AS "ALTERNATE ITEMS" are considered as "OPTIONAL ITEMS". Bidders may or may not indicate on bids the Optional Item proposed to be furnished or performed WITHOUT PREJUDICE IN REGARD TO IRREGULARITY OF BIDS.
- 2. Items classified on the bid schedule as "ALTERNATE ITEMS" and/or "ALTERNATE TYPES OF CONSTRUCTION" must be preselected and indicated on bids. However, "Alternate Types of Construction" may include Optional Items to be treated as set out in Paragraph 1, above.
- 3. Optional items not preselected and indicated on the bid schedule MUST be designated in accordance with Subsection 102.06 prior to or at the time of execution of the contract.
- 4. Optional and Alternate items designated must be used throughout the project.

I (We) further propose to perform all "force account or extra work" that may be required of me (us) on the basis provided in the Specifications and to give such work my (our) personal attention in order to see that it is economically performed.

I (We) further propose to execute the attached contract agreement (Section 902) as soon as the work is awarded to me (us), and to begin and complete the work within the time limit(s) provided for in the Specifications and Advertisement. I (We) also propose to execute the attached contract bond (Section 903) in an amount not less than one hundred (100) percent of the total of my (our) part, but also to guarantee the excellence of both workmanship and materials until the work is finally accepted.

I (We) shall submit electronically with our proposal or deliver prior to the bid opening time a certified check, cashier's check or bid bond for <u>five percent (5%) of total bid</u> and hereby agree that in case of my (our) failure to execute the contract and furnish bond within Ten (10) days after notice of award, the amount of this check (bid bond) will be forfeited to the State of Mississippi as liquidated damages arising out of my (our) failure to execute the contract as proposed. It is understood that in case I am (we are) not awarded the work, the check will be returned as provided in the Specifications.

# $S \ E \ C \ T \ I \ O \ N \quad 9 \ 0 \ 5 \ -- \ P \ R \ O \ P \ O \ S \ A \ L \quad (CONTINUED)$

I (We) hereby certify by digital signature and electronic submission via Bid Express of the Section 905 proposal below, that all certifications, disclosures and affidavits incorporated herein are deemed to be duly executed in the aggregate, fully enforceable and binding upon delivery of the bid proposal. I (We) further acknowledge that this certification shall not extend to the bid bond or alternate security which must be separately executed for the benefit of the Commission. This signature does not cure deficiencies in any required certifications, disclosures and/or affidavits. I (We) also acknowledge the right of the Commission to require full and final execution on any certification, disclosure or affidavit contained in the proposal at the Commission's election upon award. Failure to so execute at the Commission's request within the time allowed in the Standard Specifications for execution of all contract documents will result in forfeiture of the bid bond or alternate security.

	Respectfully Submitted,
	DATE
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	Contractor BY
	Signature
	TITLE
	ADDRESS
	CITY, STATE, ZIP
	PHONE
	FAX
	E-MAIL
(To be filled in if a corporation)	
Our corporation is chartered under the Laws of the names, titles and business addresses of the executives are as	State of and the follows:
President	Address
Secretary	Address
Treasurer	Address

The following is my (our) itemized proposal.

Bank Stabilization on SR 37 over Oakohay Creek (Bridge No. 4.3), known as Federal Aid Project No. STBG-0211-00(017) / 108817301 in	
Covington County.	

LING	e no.	Item Code	Adj Code	Quantity	Units Roadway Ite	Description[Fixed Unit Price]
0010	0	201-A001		1	Lump Sum	Clearing and Grubbing
0020		201-D002		1	Acre	Random Clearing
0030		203-A001	(E)	10	Cubic Yard	Unclassified Excavation, FM, AH
0040	0	203-G002	(E)	117	Cubic Yard	Excess Excavation, LVM, AH
0050	0	211-B001	(E)	52	Cubic Yard	Topsoil for Slope Treatment, Contractor Furnished
0060	0	213-C001		1	Ton	Superphosphate
0070	0	220-A001		1	Acre	Insect Pest Control (\$30.00)
0080	0	223-A001		2	Acre	Mowing (\$50.00)
0090	0	224-A001		4,066	Square Yard	Soil Reinforcing Mat
0100	0	225-A001		1	Acre	Grassing
0110	0	225-B001		1	Ton	Agricultural Limestone
0120	0	225-C001		1	Ton	Mulch, Vegetative Mulch
0130	0	226-A001		1	Acre	Temporary Grassing
0140	0	237-A002		250	Linear Feet	Wattles, 20"
0150	0	245-A001		126	Linear Feet	Silt Dike
0160	0	249-A001		78	Ton	Riprap for Erosion Control
0170	0	617-A001		4	Each	Right-of-Way Marker
0180	0	619-D1001		16	Square Feet	Standard Roadside Construction Signs, Less than 10 Square Feet
0190	0	619-D2001		32	Square Feet	Standard Roadside Construction Signs, 10 Square Feet or More
0200	0	619-G4001		24	Linear Feet	Barricades, Type III, Double Faced
0210	0	620-A001		1	Lump Sum	Mobilization
0220	0	699-A001		1	Lump Sum	Roadway Construction Stakes
0230	0	815-A007	(S)	3,681	Ton	Loose Riprap, Size 300
0240	0	815-E001	(S)	155	Square Yard	Geotextile under Riprap
0250	0	815-F002	(S)	250	Ton	Sediment Control Stone
0260	0	907-234-A001		1,800	Linear Feet	Temporary Silt Fence
0270	0	907-234-F001		300	Linear Feet	Turbidity Barrier
0270	0	907-618-A001		1	Lump Sum	Maintenance of Traffic
0280	0	907-018-A001				

If a bidder elects to submit a combined bid for two or more of the contracts listed for this month's letting, the bidder must complete and execute these sheets of the proposal in each of the individual proposals to constitute a combination bid. In addition to this requirement, each individual contract shall be completed,
executed and submitted in the usual specified manner.
Failure to execute this Combination Bid Proposal in each of the contracts combined will be just cause for each proposal to be received and evaluated as a separate bid.
It is understood that the Mississippi Transportation Commission not only reserves the right to reject any and all proposals, but also the right to award contracts upon the basis of lowest separate bids or combination bids most advantageous to the State.
It is further understood and agreed that the Combination Bid Proposal is for comparison of bids only and that each contract shall operate in every respect as a separate contract in accordance with its proposal and contract documents.
I (We) agree to complete each contract on or before its specified completion date.
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COMBINATION BID PROPOSAL
This proposal is tendered as one part of a Combination Bid Proposal utilizing option* of Subsection 102.11 on the following contracts:
* Option to be shown as either (a), (b), or (c).
Project No. County County County
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<ul><li>(a) If Combination A has been selected, your Combination Bid is complete.</li><li>(b) If Combination B has been selected, then complete the following page.</li></ul>

SECTION 905 - COMBINATION BID PROPOSAL (Continued)

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U 7: - 11	Unit Price Reduction									
T T14	Unit									
U	Pay Item Number		6							
	Project Number	1.	5	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.	

SECTION 905 - COMBINATION BID PROPOSAL (Continued)

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## Certification with regard to the Performance of Previous Contracts or Subcontracts subject to the Equal Opportunity Clause and the filing of Required Reports

The Bidder hereby certifies that he has \_\_\_\_, has not \_\_\_\_, participated in a previous contract or subcontract subject to the Equal Opportunity Clause, as required by Executive Orders 10925, 11114, or 11246, and that he has \_\_\_\_\_, has not \_\_\_\_\_, filed with the Joint Reporting Committee, the Director of the Office of Federal Contract Compliance, a Federal Government contracting or administering agency, or the former President's Committee on Equal Employment Opportunity, all reports due under the applicable filing requirements.

## (COMPANY)

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

NOTE: The above certification is required by the Equal Employment Opportunity Regulations of the Secretary of Labor (41 CFR 60-1.7 (b) (1)), and must be submitted by bidders and proposed subcontractors only in connection with contracts and subcontracts which are subject to the Equal Opportunity Clause. Contracts and Subcontracts which are exempt from the Equal Opportunity Clause are set forth in 41 CFR 60-1.5. (Generally only contracts or subcontracts of \$10,000 or under are exempt.)

Currently, Standard Form 100 (EEO-1) is the only report required by the Executive Orders or their implementing regulations.

Proposed prime Contractors and Subcontractors who have participated in a previous contract or subcontract subject to the Executive orders and have not filed the required reports should note that 41 CFR 60-1.7 (b) (1) prevents the award of contracts and subcontracts unless such Contractors submit a report covering the delinquent period or such other period specified by the Federal Highway Administration or by the Director, Office of Federal Contract Compliance, U. S. Department of Labor.

## MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION CERTIFICATION

I,	,
(Name of	f person signing bid)
individually, and in my capacity as	of
	(Title of person signing bid)
	do hereby certify under
(Name of Firm, partnersh	nip, or Corporation)
penalty of perjury under the laws of the	United States and the State of Mississippi that
	, Bidder
(Name of Firm, Par	rtnership, or Corporation)
on Project No. STBG-0211-00(017)/ 10	<u>08817301000</u>
in Covington	County(ies), Mississippi, has not either
	greement, participated in any collusion; or otherwise taken any action in connection with this contract; nor have any of its corporate
· ·	ertified that said legal entity and its corporate officers, principal n a position of administering federal funds:
a) Are not presently debarr	ed, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or

b) Have not within a three-year period preceding this proposal been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;

voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any Federal department or agency;

c) Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in (b) above; and

d) Have not within a three-year period preceding this application/ proposal had one or more public transactions (Federal, State or local) terminated for cause or default.

Do exceptions exist and are made a part thereof? Yes / No

Any exceptions shall address to whom it applies, initiating agency and dates of such action.

Note: Exceptions will not necessarily result in denial of award but will be considered in determining bidder responsibility. Providing false information may result in criminal prosecution or administrative sanctions.

The bidder further certifies that the certification requirements contained in Section XI of Form FHWA 1273, will be or have been included in all subcontracts, material supply agreements, purchase orders, etc. except those procurement contracts for goods or services that are expected to be less than the Federal procurement small purchase threshold fixed at 10 U.S.C. 2304(g) and 41 U.S.C. 253(g) (currently \$25,000) which are excluded from the certification requirements.

The bidder further certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

1) No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any Federal agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.

2) If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any Federal agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this contract, Standard Form-LLL, Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying, in accordance with its instructions will be completed and submitted.

The certification contained in (1) and (2) above is a material representation of fact upon which reliance is placed and a prerequisite imposed by Section 1352, Title 31, U.S. Code prior to entering into this contract. Failure to comply shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000. The bidder shall include the language of the certification in all subcontracts exceeding \$100,000 and all subcontractors shall certify and disclose accordingly.

All of the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on

Signature

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## **MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

SAM.GOV Registration and Unique Entity ID

Bidders are advised that the Prime Contractor must register and maintain a current registration in the System for Award Management (http://sam.gov) at all times during the project. Upon registration, the Contractor will be assigned a SAM Unique Entity ID.

Bidders are advised that prior to the award of this contract, they MUST be registered in the System for Award Management.

I (We) acknowledge that this contract cannot be awarded if I (We) are not registered in the System for Award Management prior to the award of this contract. \_\_\_\_\_ (Yes / No)

I (We) have a SAM Unique Entity ID. \_\_\_\_\_ (Yes / No)

SAM Unique Entity ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Company e-mail address:

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## STATE OF MISSISSIPPI COUNTY OF HINDS

This Contract is entered into by and between the Mississippi Transportation Commission (the "Commission") and the undersigned contractor (the "Contractor"), as follows:

As consideration for this Contract, the Commission agrees to pay the Contractor the amount(s) set out in the Proposal attached hereto. Said payment will be made in the manner and at the time(s) specified in the Specifications and/or Special Provisions, if any. In exchange for said consideration, the Contractor hereby agrees to accept the prices stated in the Proposal as full compensation for the furnishing of all labor, materials and equipment, and the execution of the scope of work identified for this referenced Project as contemplated in this Contract, and as more fully outlined in the Contract Documents (the "Work"). The Contract Documents consist of the Advertisement, the Notice to Bidders, the Proposal, the Specifications, the Special Provisions, and the approved Plans, all of which are hereby made a part of this Contract and incorporated herein by reference.

The Contractor shall be responsible for all loss or damage arising out of, or in any way in connection with the Work, or from any unforeseen obstructions or difficulties that may be encountered in the prosecution of the Work, and for all risks of every description connected with the Work, with the exception of any items specifically excluded in the Contract Documents. The Contractor shall fully and faithfully complete the Work in a good and workmanlike manner, according to the Contract Documents and any Supplemental Agreements thereto.

The Contractor further agrees that the Work shall be done under the direct supervision of, and to the complete satisfaction of, the Executive Director of the Mississippi Department of Transportation, or his authorized representative(s), and, when federal funds are involved, subject to the inspection and approval of the Federal Highway Administration, or its agents, and/or the agents of any other state or federal agency whose funds are involved. Further, the Work shall be done in accordance with any applicable state and federal laws, and any such rules and regulations issued by the Commission and/or any relevant Federal Agency.

The Contractor agrees that all labor as outlined in the Contract Documents may be secured from a list furnished by the Manager of the Win Job Center nearest the project location, or any successor thereto.

It is agreed and understood that each and every provision of law and clause required by law to be inserted into this Contract shall be deemed to be inserted herein, and this Contract shall be read and enforced as though it were included herein. If through mere mistake or otherwise, any such provision is not inserted, then upon the application of either party hereto, the Contract shall be physically amended to make such insertion. The Contractor agrees that he has read each and every clause of the Contract Documents, and fully understands the meaning of same, and hereby acknowledges that he will comply with all terms, covenants and agreements therein.

Witness our signatures, this the day of	_, 20
Contractor	
Ву:	
Title:	
Signed and sealed in the presence of: (name and address of witness)	
MISSISSIPPI TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION	
Executive Director	
Secretary to the Commission	

Award authorized by the Mississippi Transportation Commission in session on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_, Minute Book No.\_\_\_\_\_, Page No. \_\_\_\_\_.

#### SECTION 903 **PERFORMANCE BOND**

## PERFORMANCE BOND FOR THE FOLLOWING CONTRACT:

Project No.:

For the construction of:

Contract date: \_\_\_\_\_ Contract Price: \_\_\_\_\_

## FOR OWNER: MISSISSIPPI TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION, 401 N. WEST STREET, JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI 39201.

**CONTRACTOR** (full legal name, contact person, phone number and address):

SURETY (legal name, phone number, principal place of business and address for notice purposes):

Second Surety (if applicable):

The Contractor and Surety, jointly and severally, bind themselves, their heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, to the Owner for the performance of the Contract, which is incorporated herein by reference, and subject to the following terms:

- 1. If the Contractor fully and faithfully performs the Contract, the Surety and the Contractor shall have no obligation under this Bond.
- 2. The Surety's obligation under this Bond shall arise after:
  - (a) the Owner first provides notice to the Contractor and the Surety that termination is imminent, pursuant to the current edition of the Mississippi Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction, which is a part of the Contract; and
  - (b) the Owner declares a Contractor Default, terminates the Contract, and notifies the Surety.
- 3. Within 20 calendar days as set forth in Section 108.08 of the current edition of the Mississippi Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction, the Surety shall, after discussions with and consent from the Owner, and at the Surety's expense, elect to take one of the following actions:
  - (a) Arrange for the Contractor, with the consent of the Owner, to perform and complete the Contract;
  - (b) Undertake to perform and complete the Contract itself, through its agents or independent contractors:
  - (c) Waive its right to perform and complete, arrange for completion, or obtain a new contractor, and after investigation, determine the amount for which it may be liable to the Owner (subject to the consent of the Owner) and as soon as practicable after the amount is determined, make payment to the Owner.

- 4. If the Surety does not proceed, within a reasonable time frame, to enact and carry out the election made in Paragraph 3, then the Surety shall be deemed to be in default on this Bond, and the Owner shall be entitled to enforce any remedy available to it under the Contract and applicable law.
- 5. Subject to the commitment by the Owner to pay the Balance of the Contract Price, the Surety is obligated, without duplication, for
  - (a) the responsibilities of the Contractor for correction of defective work and completion of the Contract;
  - (b) additional legal, design professional and delay costs resulting from the Contractor's Default, and resulting from the actions or failure to act of the Surety under Paragraph 3; and
  - (c) liquidated damages, or if no liquidated damages are specified in the Contract, actual damages caused by delayed performance or non-performance of the Contractor.
- 6. The Surety hereby waives notice of any change, including changes of time, to the Contract or to related subcontracts, purchase orders and other obligations.
- 7. The penal sum of the Bond shall be equal to the Contract Price; however, the penal sum may be increased or decreased as the result of any subsequent Supplemental Agreements and/or final contract quantities.
- 8. Notice to the Surety, the Owner or the Contractor shall be mailed or delivered to the address listed for notice purposes on the first page of this Bond.

## CONTRACTOR AS PRINCIPAL

Company:	
Signature:	
Name:	
Title:	
Address:	
SURETY	
Company:	
Signature:Name:	MS Insurance ID #
Title:	
Address:	
SURETY (if applicable)	
Company:	
Signature:	MS Insurance ID #
Name:	
Title:	
Address:	

#### SECTION 903 **PAYMENT BOND**

## PAYMENT BOND FOR THE FOLLOWING CONTRACT: Project No.:

For the construction of: \_\_\_\_\_

Contract date: \_\_\_\_\_ Contract Price: \_\_\_\_\_

## FOR OWNER: MISSISSIPPI TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION, 401 N. WEST STREET, JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI 39201.

**CONTRACTOR** (full legal name, contact person, phone number and address):

SURETY (legal name, phone number, principal place of business and address *for notice purposes*):

Second Surety (if applicable):

The Contractor and Surety, jointly and severally, bind themselves, their heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, to the Owner for payment of labor, materials and equipment furnished for use in the performance of the Contract, which is incorporated herein by reference, subject to the following terms:

- 1. If the Contractor promptly makes payment of all sums due to any and all subcontractors, subsubcontractors, suppliers to the Contractor, suppliers to subcontractors and/or laborers who have performed work on the project site, and defends, indemnifies and holds harmless the Owner from claims, demands, liens or suits by any person or entity seeking payment for labor, materials or equipment furnished for use in the performance of the Contract, then the Surety and the Contractor shall have no obligation under this Bond.
- 2. The Owner shall provide notice to the Surety of any claims, demands, liens or suits against the Owner or the Owner's property that it receives from any person or entity ("Claimants") seeking payment for labor, materials or equipment furnished for use in the performance of the Contract.
- 3. Upon notice of any claims, demands, liens or suits provided by the Owner or Contractor or given to the Surety by a Claimant, the Surety shall promptly and at the Surety's expense, defend, indemnify and hold harmless the Owner against said claim, demand, lien or suit and shall take the following additional actions:
  - (a) Send an answer to the Claimant, with a copy to the Owner, within sixty (60) days after receipt of the Claim, stating the amounts that are undisputed and the basis for challenging any amounts that are disputed; and
  - (b) Pay or arrange for payment of any undisputed amounts.

- 4. The Surety shall not be liable to the Owner, Claimants or others for obligations of the Contractor that are unrelated to the Contract. The Owner shall not be liable for the payment of any costs or expenses of any Claimant under this Bond and shall have no obligation under this Bond to make payments to, or give notice on behalf of, Claimants, or otherwise have any obligations to Claimants under this Bond.
- 5. The Surety hereby waives notice of any change, including changes of time, to the Contract or to related subcontracts, purchase orders and other obligations.
- 6. The penal sum of the Bond shall be equal to the Contract Price; however, the penal sum may be increased or decreased as the result of any subsequent Supplemental Agreements and/or final contract quantities.

CONTRACTOR AS PRINCIPAL Company:	
Signature:	
Name:	
Title:	
Address:	
SURETY	
Company:	
Signature:	MS Insurance ID #
Name:	
Title:	
Address:	
SURETY (if applicable)	
Company:	
Signature:	MS Insurance ID #
Name:	
Title:	
Address:	



# **BID BOND**

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRE	SENTS, that we		
		Contractor	
		Address	
		City, State ZIP	
As principal, hereinafter called the Pr	incipal, and	Surety	
a corporation duly organized under th	ne laws of the state of	f	
as Surety, hereinafter called the Suret	y, are held and firm	y bound unto <u>State of Mississip</u>	oi, Jackson, Mississippi
As Obligee, hereinafter called Oblige	e, in the sum of <b>Fiv</b>	e Per Cent (5%) of Amount Bid	
	Dollars(\$	)	
for the payment of which sum will a executors, administrators, successors			
NOW THEREFORE, the condition of said Principal will, within the time re performance of the terms and condition will pay unto the Obligee the different which the Obligee legally contracts we but in no event shall liability hereunde	quired, enter into a for ons of the contract, the nee in money between with another party to p er exceed the penal su	formal contract and give a good and nen this obligation to be void; otherw n the amount of the bid of the said perform the work if the latter amount im hereof.	sufficient bond to secure the wise the Principal and Surety Principal and the amount for
Signed and sealed this	day of	, 20	
	(Principal)		(Seal)
(Witness)	(Name)	By:(Title)	
	(Surety)	(Seal)	
(Witness)	(Attorney-in-F	By:	
	(MS Agent)		

Mississippi Insurance ID Number

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## MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION OFFICE OF CIVIL RIGHTS JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI

# LIST OF FIRMS SUBMITTING QUOTES

I/we received quotes from the following firms on:

Letting Date: February 25, 2025

### Project No: STBG-0211-00(017)/ 108817301000

## County: <u>Covington</u>

Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Regulations as stated in 49 CFR 26.11 require the Mississippi Department of Transportation (MDOT) to create and maintain a comprehensive list of all firms quoting/bidding subcontracts on prime contracts and quoting/bidding subcontracts on federally-funded transportation projects. For every firm, we require the following information:

Firm Name:		
Contact Name/Title:		
Firm Mailing Address:		
Phone Number:		
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		FIRM NAME

