

I-5719/U-5800/U-6044 Pre-Advertisement Update Meeting Questions

1. What is the anticipated timeline/agreement with Rail?
We do not have a timeline with Norfolk Southern yet. There is a meeting with Rail scheduled in July, we will potentially include that in the RFP.
2. Will the questions from the one-on-one be published?
No, the one-on-ones are confidential meetings.
3. Is the one-on-one meeting scheduled online or onsite?
The one-on-one's will be held online via TEAMS.
4. Does optimization replace ATCs?
No, ATCs are still anticipated, but not required.
5. Has there been a scoring matrix set for the O&R?
No, ADU is still in the process of developing the scoring matrix.
6. What is the current funding and what is the anticipated increase in funding?
The Department cannot share the current programmed funding. At this time, no additional funding is available for the project.
7. Will the temporary yard improvements be included in the scope of this project, or performed by NS?
The yard improvements will not be part of the DB process, the work will be done under a separate contract between the Department and NS.
8. Has a risk assessment been performed for the project and will it be shared with the DB Teams?
A risk assessment has not been done, however a Cost and Schedule Risk Assessment has been completed (see question 10 below).
9. Can you summarize the status of right-of-way and non-RR utilities?
We have a rough estimate based on preliminary design of r/w and we have all utilities providers within the corridor identified. We will have to work with Rail on any rail utilities within the corridor specifically. No abandonment on this project.
10. Was a CSRA completed for this project? Can that be shared if so?
Yes, a CSRA has been done, we can share once completed. It is still under review with FHWA.
11. Could you provide greater clarity for Prequal code 182 for rail services in the RFQ? If you look it up on DOT website for the prequal code, it actually covers three separate areas. Not all three seem to apply to this project.
All three areas may be required at existing and proposed highway-rail grade crossings.
12. Will there be any changes to the project scope in the upcoming advertisement?
Yes, there will potentially be changes to the project scope in the upcoming advertisement.

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13. How does the Department intend to compensate the teams for the added time and expense of the O&R proposal?

We will include a line item in the RFP for the DB Teams to put a price on a monthly stipend for the O&R period, there will be a set a maximum per month.

14. Is the plan to have the revised scope determined prior to RFQ advertisement?

No, the plan is to have it done by the first industry draft RFP.

15. What about the cost of the preparation of the O&R proposal, not the execution of the O&R?

We will try to include it in the stipend for the project. It will be taken into consideration when coming up with the stipend amount.

16. Will managed lanes be involved in this project?

No.