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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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NOTICE TO PROSPECTIVE BIDDERS

Contract No.: PRB.36403
Federal Aid No.: Helene Relief
TIP No.: N/A
WBS Element: 51830.2.13.41, 51830.2.13.39, 51830.2.13.43, 51830.2.13.40
County: Buncombe
Description: Replace Bridge Over Dillingham Creek at 1387 Dillingham Rd,
Bridge over North Fork Turkey Creek at 814 N Turkey Creek
Bridge over Broad River at NC Hwy 9
Bridge over Broad River at 2511 NC Hwy 9
Letting: June 17, 2026

This letter is to advise all prospective bidders of the following contract addendum:

Proposal Changes: Pay item 53 Approx 82,338 LBS of Structural Steel quantity has been changed to 1

Plan Changes: none

Additional Questions Submitted:

1. At location 2511 NC Hwy 9 the plans call for H-Piles under the end bent caps that support the cap and the same h-piles are also incorporated into the permanent timber retaining wall. Will the driving/drilling required to install the h-piles that support the cap—which are simultaneously part of the timber lagging wall—be paid as pile driving equipment setup/pile excavation and H-pile LF or will the h-pile, its installation, and the H-pile itself be considered incidental to the timber lagging retaining wall square footage? Also, will the h-piles and installation of h-piles in the wings be paid for as h-piles or incidental to square footage of the wall?

Answer: Yes, assuming the contractor sets up a pile hammer and verifies bearing after the pile excavation has been completed. If contractor does not use a pile hammer to strike the pile, pile driving equipment setup will not be made per the specifications. No additional compensation for piles used in the soldier pile wall under the cap will be made. Piles outside the cap for the soldier pile wall will be paid for pile excavation and h pile. Pile driving setup will not be made as piles do not have to meet bearing criteria.

2. Also, if temporary shoring is required to maintain traffic due to the theoretical 2:1 requirement, will it be paid as temporary shoring?

Answer: No line item for temporary shoring is provided as it was determined pile installation and timber lagging can be installed from the frontside without the excavation of material from the backside of the wall.

Sincerely,

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