

### **NORTH CAROLINA** Department of Transportation



## AGC-NCDOT Workshop 2020 Construction Breakout Session – Roadway Topics March 5, 2020



- REVISED September 1, 2018
- Prior to beginning work on the project conduct a preconstruction survey meeting to discuss:
  - Required submittals
  - Who will review submittals?
  - Survey equipment
  - Method of staking control points
  - Environmentally sensitive areas
  - Digital Terrain Model
  - Will Contractor use AMG?



## **Construction Layout**



A critical task, on any project, is to constanct the dimange so that water. During construction stakeout, the survey crew should ideal recommendations for correction to the Engineer. It is the response that the dimange system detailed in the planes will function that the dimange system way be inadequate, based upon field doub the Engineer. In accordance with Section 801-2(F(Z), provide con depicted in the planes in accordance with the Guidelance for Drinko

#### 8.2 Guideline Information

Prior to calculating and staking the dminage system detailed in the plans, perform a field investigation of the proposed area. Consider the locations and elevations of all existing and proposed utilities, proposed utility construction, and existing and proposed dminage systems in the layout of the dminage system. A layout drawing of the dminage system shall be submitted to the Engineer for review and the submitted of the dminage system.

contractor beginning installation of that system. In addition, indees otherwise i network before submitting any portion of the network for approval. The Drain plans is for bidding purposes only and shall not be used for stakeout.

Eatablish pipe lengths from the dminage structure locations and/or actual locati existing streams, natural ground or proposed dminage direless as measured duri and/or layout. To ensure the clear zone recovery requirements are rest, when u the Engineer if the pipe length is less than the plan length. Use 12<sup>sh</sup> husbs for etfoorkine elevation. Frightings spratter than 200 feet vitil require intermediate hut on smaller intervals as deemed necessary by the Engineer. The intermediate hut pipe shall begin with 0+00 at the outlet end of the pipe and advance to the inite inequal begin with 0+00 at the outlet end of the pipe and advance to the inite first, constaint of two hubs with corresponding reference stakes, for the initet an frast reference hub shall be a minimum of 10 feet (3 meters) from the reference intailed at an equi distance from the first hole.

#### **8.3 Submittal Requirements**

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- Drainage layout shall contain the following at a minimum:
  - a. Station and offset from centerline
    b. Flow line elevations
  - e. Invert elevations
  - d. Percent grade of drainage networks
  - e. Standard drawing number for drainage structures
  - f. Standard drawing number for frames and grates
    g. Type and size of drainage pipe
  - g. Type and size of drainage
    h. Length of drainage pipe

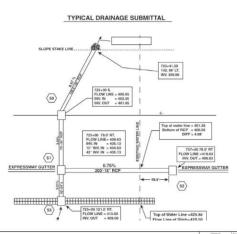


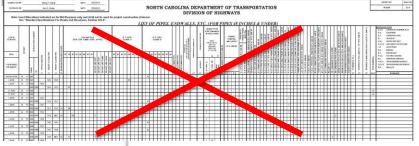
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A layout drawing of the drainage system shall be submitted to the Engineer for review and approval **prior** to the contractor beginning installation of that system.

The Drainage Summary provided in the plans is for bidding purposes only and shall not be used for

#### stakeout.





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## Exploratory Excavation

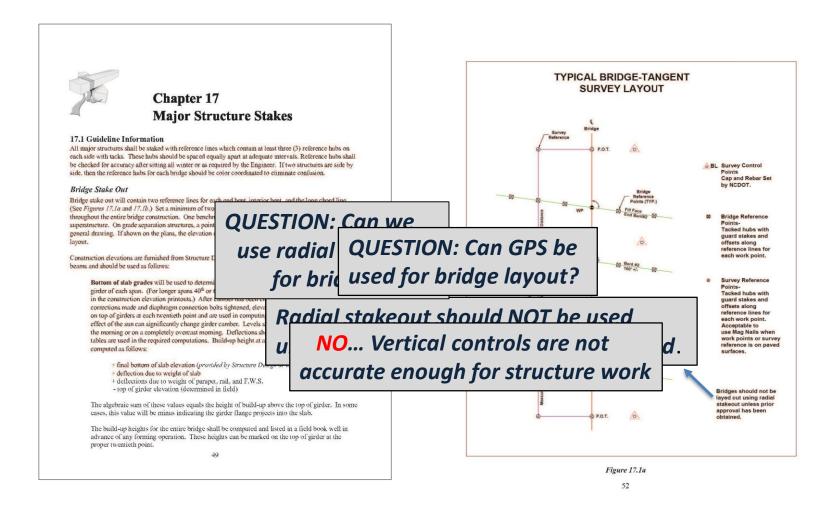
#### (F) Drainage and Utility Construction Systems

(1) General

Where underground conflicts are suspected, contact utility owners and locate all utilities horizontally and vertically. Consider the utilities' locations and elevations in the layout of the drainage systems and utility construction systems. Utilities may exist that are not depicted in the plans.

18 Exploratory Excavation required to locate a utility will be paid in accordance with19 Article 104-7.

- When should Exploratory Excavation be Paid
- In the place where utilities may exist that are not depicted on the plans because of unknown location.
  - Some Urban projects where we know much of the SUE is unknown might include these items (standard and vacuum exploratory excavation)



## Structure Stakeout Check Items

- ✓ INITIAL LAYOUT Independent check
- ✓ BENCHMARKS Independent check
- ✓ ALIGNMENT OF FOOTINGS, COLUMNS & CAPS
- RR BRIDGES- Check rail elevations shot in the field against bottom of beam elevations at rail separations and compare to vertical clearance shown in plans. Check clearance again after girders are installed
- ✓ BRIDGE SEAT ELEVATIONS
- ✓ BUILDUP ELEVATIONS Independent check
- ✓ APPROACH SLAB GRADES

## **Construction Surveying**







If the Contractor elects to use AMG for fine grading and placement of base or other roadway materials, the GPS shall be supplemented with a laser or robotic total

Provide control points at intervals along the project not to exceed 800 feet or as recommended by the manufacturer for the equipment in use. The horizontal position of these points shall be determined by traverse connection from the original base line control points. The elevation of these control points shall be established using differential leveling from project benchmarks, forming closed loops where practical. A copy of all new control point information shall be provided to the Engineer prior to construction activities.

- Provide conventional survey grade stakes at 500' intervals and at critical points such as, but not limited to, PCs, PTs, tapers, changes in roadway width, and other critical points as requested by the Engineer.
- Provide hubs at the top of the finished subgrade at all hinge points on the cross section at 500foot intervals. These hubs shall be established using conventional survey methods for use by the Engineer to check the accuracy of construction.
- Stakes shall be provided prior to the start of fine grading at 100' intervals and at offsets between 3' and 10' from the edge of pavement (edge of asphalt) on the outside shoulder. These stakes shall remain in place until the final lift of pavement is completed. All stakes shall have offset distance and station number provided on the stake. The stakes will provide reference for proof rolling operations, fine grading operations, and paving operations.
- Slope stakes shall be set regardless of grading methods for slope protection under bridges, cross line pipe, culverts, wetlands, and other jurisdictional boundaries.

#### Example

#### Report of Final R/W and Permanent Easement Survey

(Replacement and /or Re-establishing Verification of Right of Way and Permanent Easement Markers for the North Carolina Department of Transportation)

TIP No.:

Project No.:

County:

Project Description:

Plans Recorded in: <County Highway Plan Book designation, i.e. Map Book, Page>

I certify that this survey was done under my responsible charge in accordance with the <u>NCDOT Survey</u>. <u>Standards</u> as directed in the <u>NCDOT Location & Surveys Guidelines and Procedures</u> and the <u>Manual for</u> <u>Construction Layout</u> for the purpose of (*re-establishing/replacement*) of RNV and/or permanent easement markers. That per the Project Plans of Record the following list of markers were either re-established or replaced at the following station/offset locations:

Line Descriptor (-L-,-Y-, etc.)	Station	Offset	Northing	Easting	Re-placed or Re- established	Type and Material of Original Marker	Type and Material of New Marker
Examples L	28+56-23	148.66, Rt.	878,948-23	2,456,128.92	Re-placed	R/W, Iron Pin & Cap	R/W, Concrete
Y	58+72-66	167-89, Lt.	868,785-45	2,456,849-88	Re- established	Easement, Iron Pin & Cap	Easement, Iron Pin & Cap

All bearings and coordinates are referenced to the North Carolina State Plane Coordinate System per Plans of Record.

Witness my signature, registration number and seal this \_\_\_\_\_day of \_\_\_\_\_,20<u>XX</u>

Professional Land Surveyor (Print Name)

PLS#

Signature

SEAL XXXX

Surveyor's Seal

## **ROW Verification**

#### Must be signed and sealed by a PLS

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## Questions or Comments?



## Project Acceptance/Closeout

- Communication during the life of the project, via construction meetings and on-site meetings.
- Running punch list communicated from Inspection Staff to project Field Personnel (Foreman, Superintendents, etc)
- "Catch it as you go" Approach

## Emphasis on Communication in the field

- The industry continues to see some inexperienced staff on both sides (contractor field staff and inspection staff).
- As each learns the construction process- good communication along the life of the project is key.
- Efficient Project Delivery Time is Money!

## Common punch list items

- This is a good tool for them to look over as the project progresses towards completion.
- Trying to avoid any major items of work that would potentially remain on a punch list (especially from subcontractors).
- Communicate any open issues or previous discussions/decisions when staff changes are made throughout the life of the project.

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FINAL	<b>INSPECT</b>	TION CO	M

#### Guardrail/Guiderail/Barrier Överhead Lighting

#### Asphalt Pavement

#### Proper installation per St Good ride quality Cross slope per standard\* Longitudinal joints in correct Burn period performed Clear roadside recovery 2\* Transverse and longitudinal No tack on rail end units No fuel spills on asphalt and Workmanship (correct he Borrow/Waste No segregation good finish on barrier, cle

Drainage

Pipes clean

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Pipes sealed properly

Correct type of grate

Grate does not rock Steps installed

Frames and boxes groute

- Correct cross slope
- No standing water or water
- Valves and manholes adjust
- Driveways (tie-in, widths)

#### **Concrete Pavement**

- All spalls/cracks repaired
- Joint sealedJoint in proper Ic\*
- Ride quality acceptable
- Tining performed to specific •
- Correct cross slope
- Acceptable appearance
- Drains adequately
- Pavement Marking
- Stop bars/cross walks/ arrov
- Thermoplastic/paint workma marking removed, not place
- Retroflectivity of thermoplas .
- Roadway delineators (flexibl
  - Signs
- Installed per plan
- Correct orientation
- Cleaned
- Metals Engineer list complet
- Overhead lighting inspectior
- Overhead sign anchor bolts/

#### Grading

- No standing water in ditches
- Slopes graded to correct cro
- Project properly vegetated c
- All washes repaired and see
- No more than one inch drop •
- Mowing and topdressing has . Improper welding or grou
- Erosion control measures removed unless otherwise direct

- Inspected by Division Traffic Services
- Pits reviewed with property owners
  - Plan matches actual final condition of pit
- All erosion control measures removed unless otherwise directed Pit has been seeded with stand of grass established Drainage structures clear•
  - Graded to drain
- Pipes are flush with insid. All washes repaired and seeded

#### General

- Rocks and asphalt/concrete chunks removed
- All stockpile areas cleaned and seeded and mulched Not missing expansion jo•
- Aprons are not damaged Trash picked up
- Pipe near subgrade level Mail boxes adjusted/relocated

#### **Miscellaneous Concret Structures**

- Check guardrail anchor system patch spalling from drilling operation, tighten nuts, make sure proper number of posts (even field drilling the rail to install end post near at backwall Sidewalk (good finish, joi• . Install barrier delineators Curb and gutter (good fire 😱 Clean tops of caps and epoxy caps as required by plans - check and repair damaged epoxy sealed, joints sealed) as needed ADA Handicap ramps in c Properly install pvc pipe, nuts, washers, and burr threads on anchor bolts Remove all forming materials from end bent joints Remove from fins from bottom of interior bent caps, bottom of overhangs, and other Fence chamfered edges • Patch overhang jack holes No damaged areas Tree/ debris removed Point and patch substructure as needed (deep air bubbles larger than a dime). Make sure final surface finish is uniform - avoid spotty looking patchwork Review end bent caps and around perimeter of slope protection for scour holes - fill with Signals flowable fill as needed Inspected by Division Tra Trim top of permanent casing on drill shaft to elevation of concrete and remove column No stone in bottom of pu forming support aidsPaint deck drain pipes and /or extend them on steel girder bridges Signal head clearance • Recess and seal expansion joint material between cored slabs and end blocks and interior bents
  - Install expansion joint material or backer rod in barrier at rail at interior bents and seal

This list is not all inclusive of the items needed for final acceptance and should serve as a list of common items needing attention prior to the Department performing a final inspection.

## Scheduling Final Inspections

- The Contractor should make a request to the Resident Engineer for Final Inspection within 2 – 3 weeks of the project or portions, as provided in <u>Article 105-17</u>, being complete.
- Make sure the proper people are invited to the Final; DCE/ACE/REU/(PM/PE/SUPER), Division Maintenance Staff, etc
- Can be a good time to discuss upcoming Project Closeout Procedures...

## Communicate!

- Most of the time it is more effective to pick up the phone and talk to someone directly to solve a problem!
- Make sure to take these talking points back to the field staff (Inspectors, Foreman, Superintendents, etc)
- Good teamwork means good communication. Be responsive and be available.



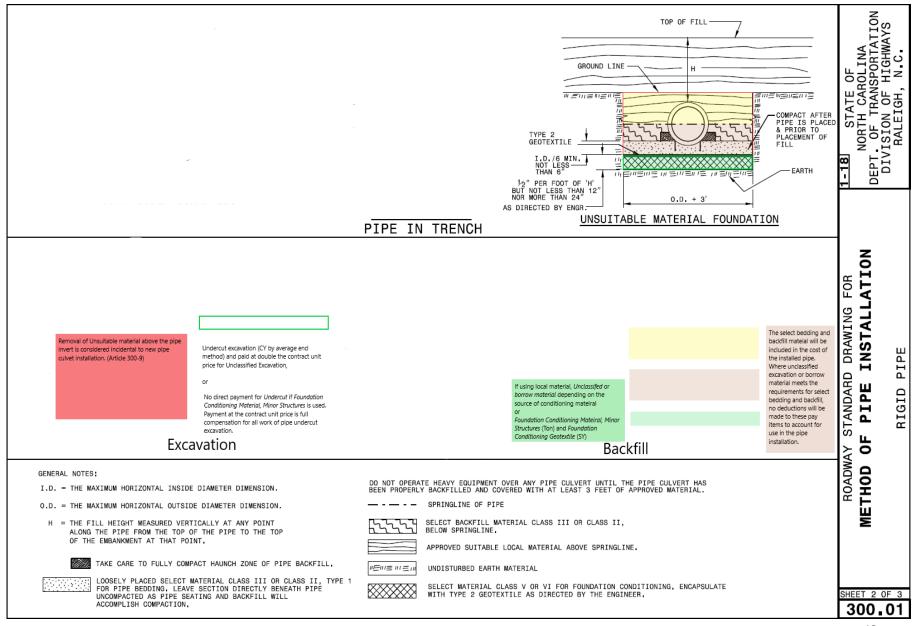
## Questions or Comments?



# Pipe backfill when unsuitable soils are encountered....

- We know how to how pipe foundation and material up to the spring line of the pipe; per the Specifications and Standard Drawings.
- What about the material above the pipe line that is deemed unsuitable and has to be replaced?
- How should this be handled on comprehensive grading projects?

#### **Construction Breakout**

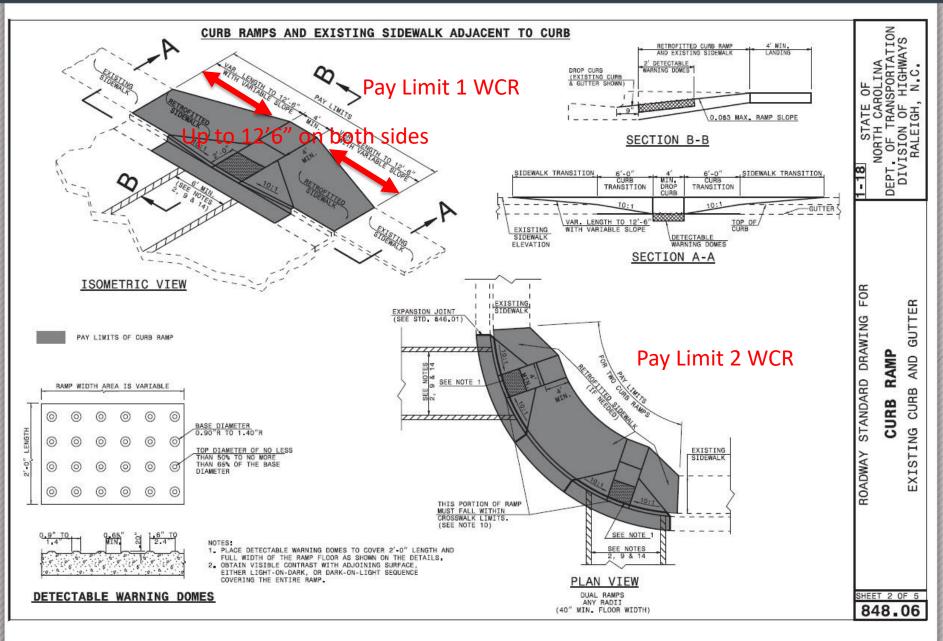


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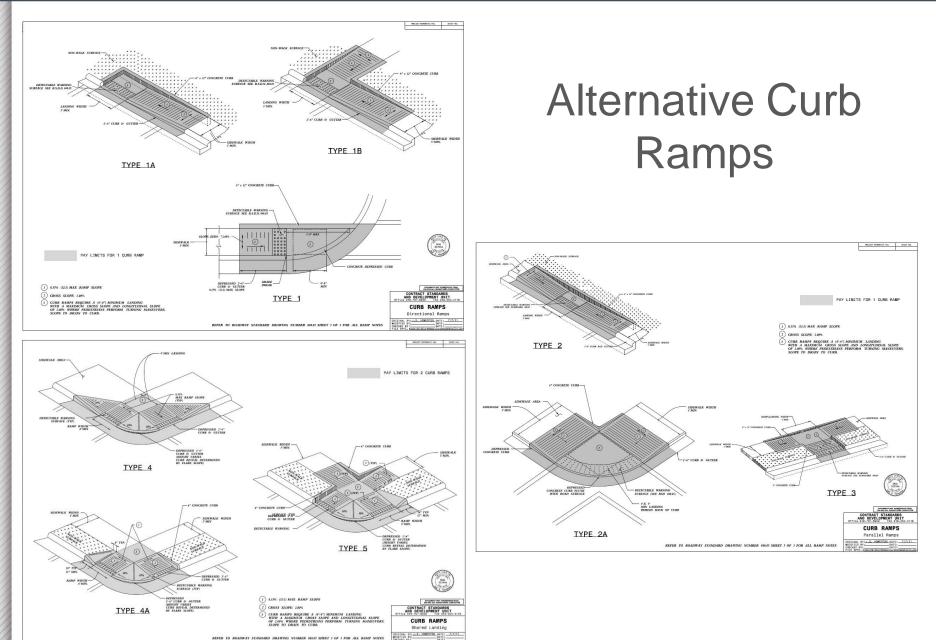
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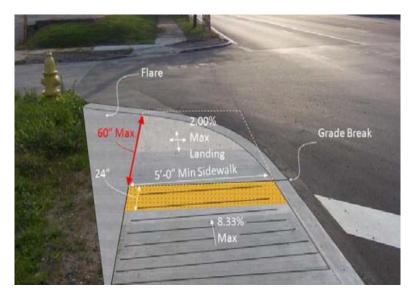
- Standard Curb Ramps
  - STD 848.05 and 848.06
  - Can be used for new construction or retrofit
- Alternative Curb Ramps
  - Included in Resurfacing or Sidewalk Projects
  - <u>https://connect.ncdot.gov/resources/Specifications/Pages/2018</u>
    <u>-Roadway-Standard-Drawings.aspx</u>
- Concrete Driveway Turnouts
  - Must maintain ADA compliant Cross Slope and width when sidewalk is present.













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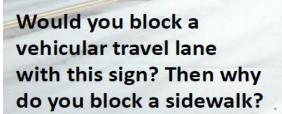
## Work Zone Traffic Control

- Make sure that accommodations are met if you have existing sidewalk or if a worn walking path is present.
- A detour is not required when there is no continuity to the sidewalk.

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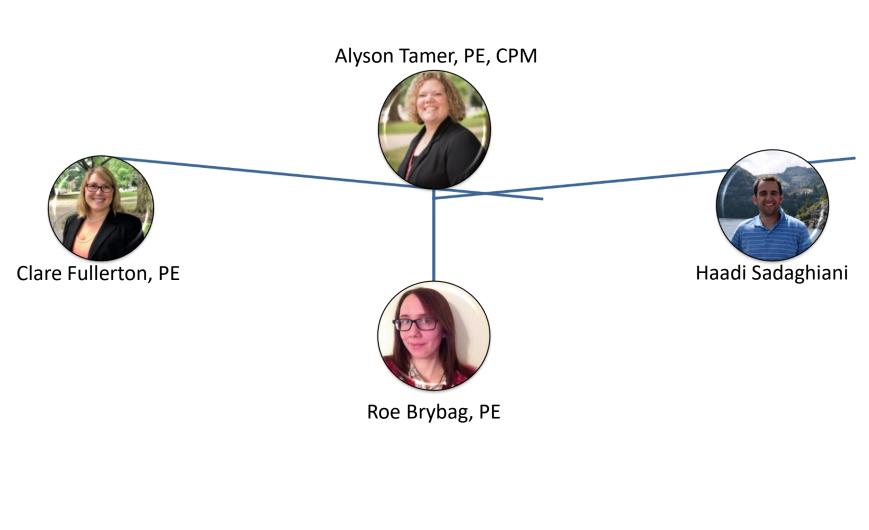
The sign should read "ADA LAWSUIT AHEAD"

ROAD WORK AHEAD

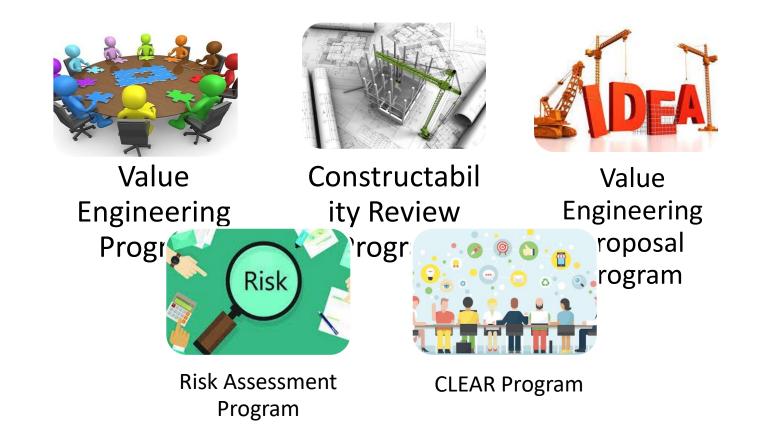


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## Value Management Team



## Value Management Office



Benefits

## **Constructability Review Program**

- Work out potential field issues while the project is still being designed
- Provide a better understanding between design and construction
- Provide contractor input on design issues (coordinate with the AGC)
- Potential cost savings, risk reduction and/or time reduction



## Research

- Ongoing project: Review and enhancement of Constructability Review process and program.
  - Please participate in interviews if you are contacted by the research team out of ITRE.
- <u>Upcoming project</u>: Establish guidance on Constructability of DMUIIs and Use of 4D model techniques (adding time/schedule to 3D geometry)
  - Interested in participating on the committee or being a friend of the committee? Contact Clare Fullerton, PE

## Value Engineering Proposal

A Value Engineering Proposal (VEP) brings an innovative idea and savings to the Department from a Contractor.

- Contractor Idea
- Savings split 50/50 between NCDOT and Contractor
- Minimum \$10,000 savings threshold
- Contractor covers cost associated with proposal submission



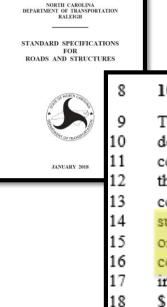
## Value Engineering Proposal

- Article 104-12 (2018 Standard Specifications for Roads and Structures)
- Review is coordinated by Value Management

**Benefits** 

- Use of Contractor specific equipment or methods to enhance construction projects
- Reduce construction costs
- Reduce construction schedules
- Introduce innovations into projects

### Value Engineering Proposal



#### 104-12 VALUE ENGINEERING PROPOSAL

This value engineering specification is to provide an incentive to the Contractor to initiate, develop and present to the Department for consideration, any cost reduction proposals conceived by him involving changes to the contract. This specification does not apply unless the proposal submitted is specifically identified by the Contractor as being presented for consideration as a Value Engineering Proposal (VEP). Submittals that propose material substitutions of permanent features, such as, but not limited to, changes from rigid to flexible or flexible to rigid pavements, concrete to steel or steel to concrete bridges will not be considered acceptable VEPs. Depending on the complexity of evaluation and implementations, VEPs that provide for a total savings before distribution of less than \$10,000 may not be considered.

#### **VEP** Process

Contractor Submits Preliminary Proposal

Preliminary Proposal Reviewed Contractor Submits Final Proposal

Final Proposal Reviewed

# **Contractor Submits Preliminary Proposal**

Proposal should include:

- Description of proposed change, including benefits
- Estimated cost savings with breakdown
- Sketch, mark-ups on existing plan sheets

Benefit is to see if idea has merit before developing fully.

Contractor Submits Prelim. Proposal Prelim. Proposal Reviewed



Contractor Submits Final Proposal Final Proposal Reviewed

## Preliminary Proposal Reviewed

- Reviewed by Resident Engineer, Value Management Office, and Technical Units
- Review the validity of the VEP
- If accepted Contractor prepares Final Proposal

Contractor Submits Prelim. Proposal



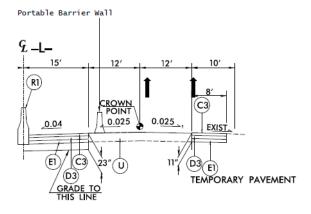
Contractor Submits Final Proposal



#### **Example of Back-up Document**

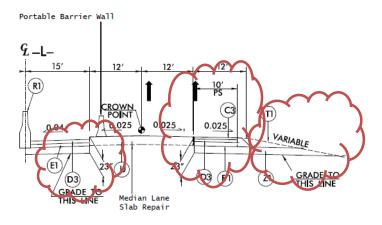
#### **ORIGINAL PROJECT DETAILS**

Two Travel Lanes Open



#### CONTRACTOR PROPOSED CHANGES

Two Travel Lanes Open



## **Contractor Submits Final Proposal**

Final Proposal must include:

- Design Calculations
- Contract Plan Sheet Modifications
- Contract Document Changes
- Cost Savings Estimate based on Contract line items



### **Final Proposal Reviewed**

- Reviewed by the Division Resident Engineer, Value Management Office, Technical Unit
- Construction Unit signs off on approval
- Supplemental Agreement executed, includes the portion of the cost savings owed to the Contractor



Prelim. Proposal Reviewed

Contractor Submits Final Proposal



Final Proposal Reviewed

# **CLEAR**

# Communicate Lessons, Exchange Advice, Record.



 Program to support internal communication, knowledge sharing, creativity, and innovation.

### WHY was CLEAR developed?









Feedback loops created between regions and units.



Innovations shared and vetted.



Institutional knowledge stored.



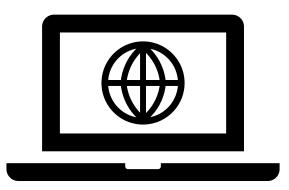
Ideas on any topic related to NCDOT.



Approved submissions searched and shared.



Enhanced communication and knowledge share.



#### CLEAR is found on a SharePoint Site

- Connect Site
- NCDOT Employees
- Mobile friendly
- Data Analytics

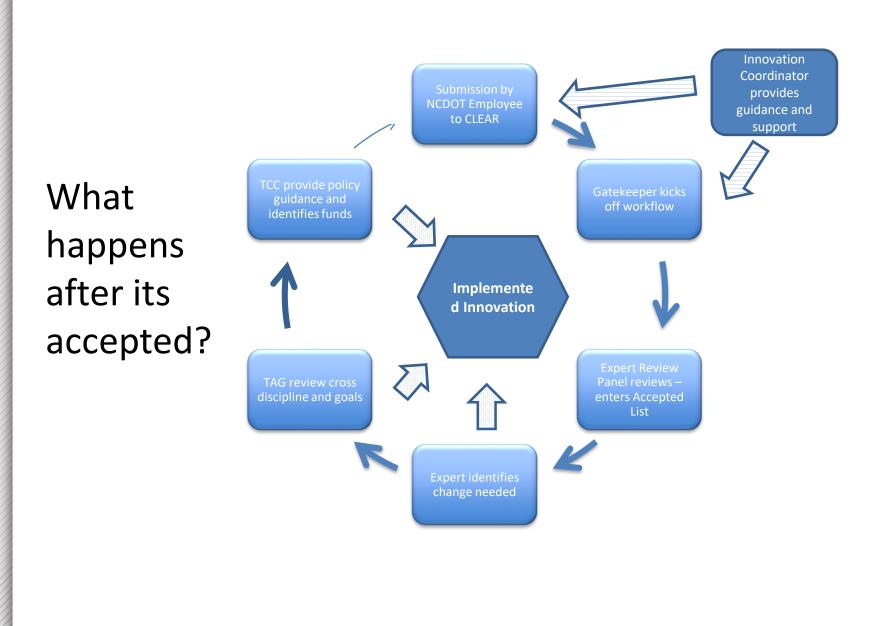


NCDOT personnel with NCDOT email can submit any Lesson Learned, Best Management Practice, or Request for a Solution.

This submission goes through the Value Management Office and is reviewed.



The submission is then sent to the experts to review and provide their expertise and guidance. Accepted submissions are published in the accepted lists that can be keyword searched, reviewed, filtered, and alerts can be set up for items.



#### CLEAR FORM

Did you overcome a challenge in work, have a suggestion to solve an obstacle, or have a best practice to share?

Please fill out the form so we can...

... share your lessons learned, advice or best practice.



... make improvements based on your lesson learned, shared advice and best practices.

After review, this will be included in the CLEAR database. You will be informed of the workflow

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