

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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MEMO TO: AGC/NCDOT Roadway Subcommittee Members

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AGC/NCDOT Roadway Subcommittee Meeting – June 15, 2024 **SUBJECT:**

The next meeting will be held in the Riverwood Conference Room at NCDOT Century Center on August 17, 2024 at 10:00 am. Microsoft Teams will be available for those that wish to attend virtually. The following are items scheduled for discussion:

- Troy Brooks was introduced as the Eastern Assistant State Construction Engineer
- ORD/Digital Delivery Update (NCDOT) Bryan Edwards provided an brief overview of the Digital Delivery transformation that NCDOT is implementing. One of the areas of focus is Open Roads Delivery. NCDOT is working towards being able to provide a 3D digital model on construction projects. Currently, NCDOT has used a model for planning and determining quantities but is still producing 2D plan sheets for construction. NCDOT will continue to work towards piloting projects and upgrading systems to implement future models. AGC members inquired when industry feedback would be needed. A committee will be formed with NCDOT and industry representatives to determine the best path moving forward.
- Work Zone Safety/Blue Lights (AGC/NCDOT) AGC is interested in an initiative to have more blue lights within work zones to slow traffic down given recent fatalities. Highway Patrol has trailers that can be used on construction projects. These trailers have blue lights and can be used in situations where an off duty officer is not available. The trailers would need to be delivered to the work zone with the agreement that NCDOT/Contractor can move them around as needed. NCDOT will work to partner with Highway Patrol to utilize these devices on construction projects.
- Encroachments (AGC) AGC is concerned with the increase in 3rd party utilities working within active construction limits. Some contractors are having difficulties with other parties signing hold harmless and cooperation agreements. Recent work on the Broadband project along I-95 has raised concerns regarding safety liabilities. Industry would like NCDOT support in requiring hold harmless prior to any work occurring within the work zone.
- Utility Relocation (AGC) AGC requested that ways to reduce potential utility relocation and conflict be considered. This may involve thinking outside the box to minimize the number of 3rd party conflicts that contractors have to consider.

- Specification/Std. Dwg. Update (NCDOT) The revision of the specifications and standard drawings is underway. There may be a couple of projects that will be let under the old specifications.
- Mr. Ron Davenport reminded all attendees that Bid-X rates will be going up in January. Contractors should keep this in mind as they renew their accounts.
- NCDOT is going to being planning for the 2024 NCDOT/AGC Workshops. Any topics of interest are greatly appreciated.

2023 Meeting Dates

August 17 October 19 December 21