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MEMO TO: AGC/NCDOT Roadway Subcommittee Members

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SUBJECT: AGC/NCDOT Roadway Subcommittee Meeting – October 17, 2024

The meeting was held in the Riverwood Conference Room at NCDOT Century Center on October 17, 2024, at 10:00 am. Microsoft Teams was available for those that wish to attend virtually. The following items were discussed:

- Hurricane Helene Recovery Update (NCDOT)
 - AGC looking for an update on NCDOT plans & findings.
 - NCDOT is still working through the maintenance response, still in emergency mode. 7,000 damage side. 20 bridges completely gone, many requiring repairs. Using Alternate Delivery methods, CMGC and progressive, but not a lot of Federal alternate delivery projects.
 - Keep operating as normal as we can. Projects and lettings will continue forward.
 - Bids are coming in higher than engineer's estimate due to resources being difficult to find.
 - Transitioning from emergency to permanent repair has financial hurdles.
 - Impacts to active construction projects. No blanket suspension of projects, it's a case-by-case basis. A supplemental agreement is written to suspend projects with contractors helping with recovery efforts. Collaboration with the Resident office and contractor for these suspensions.
 - FHWA/FEMA asks that we stick to our procurement guidelines. Abbreviated procurement is within the guidelines where contractors can visit a job and give a competitive bid within a week.
 - Contracts being let within the next couple weeks, most likely with the regular letting schedule.
 - Victor asks that we have the contractor listed somewhere so suppliers know who to call to decide pricing. NCDOT to look at being more visible with who gets what work.

- Todd – M&T gathering queries of who can supply what type of pipe, aggregate, etc.
 - The counties/municipalities handling the debris removal on this recovery effort.
 - NCDOT procuring bridge materials.
 - Permitting, right-of-way, utilities are all obstacles when the river is relocated.
 - Reimbursement is very important. Target goals of 6 months and 1 year for repairs so FEMA/FHWA will be reimbursed. Harder after 2 years.
 - Will the cash flow be affected by our portion of funding this event?
 - There's a rainy-day fund that helps support times like this (4.5B).
 - Optimistic that a programic approach will keep the cash flow up and there won't be long term funding issues.
 - NCDOT made a GIS map of available resources for the divisions to use.
 - With Comms back up, it is easier to continue. Lodging is difficult, waiting for utilities to get back up will help when wanting to do work there. How to fuel equipment as well.
- Post Construction Assessments (NCDOT)
 - Zach M – Value Management. Kicked off in 2021. After the project is completed, all the stakeholders meet to discuss lessons learned. Contractor, designer, DOT RE office, etc.
 - Designers get to hear how their designs were built and if there were lessons learned.
 - Not a time to discuss claims for point fingers.
 - Helps DOT learn what works and what doesn't. This info gets posted to the CLEAR site to be implemented.
 - Contractors can initiate a PCA if they want to share good ideas to be shared with designer or NCDOT, or if there are issues to address.
 - 6 months after the project is complete, or right after. There are about 30 PCA's already done.
- Resurfacing in Railroad R/W (AGC)
 - AGC requests to stop at the R/W at the railroad.
 - NCDOT have some Divisions that already use other contracts to resurface within the railroad so that resurfacing contracts can stop at the R/W line.
 - Review those issues at the precon meeting with the Division prior to the start of the project.
 - Consider having the Division to complete the crossing with an on-call prior to the start of the project.
- R/W Markers
 - There's a note about them being done "by others".
 - The Symbology sheet says markers are by others but has a pay item, but we see that and by others means it's not the departments responsibility. But the contractor sees that and thinks someone else is doing that work.
- Roadway Design – Moving to OpenRoads
 - Cross section summary sheet – how important is that information to industry?
 - Roadway Design wants to see what's not important to the industry and can have that changed in the plans.

- Each contractor is different, some may still want all this data, and some may do their own takeoffs and don't need it.
- The more information the Department proved, the better.
- Waiving LDs during disasters
 - NCDOT is open to hearing what issues and impacts are occurring on the jobs. There was time extensions based on weather conditions in 2018 events.

2024 Meeting Dates

April 18

June 20

August 15

October 17

December 19

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