

Construction Contract Administration Workgroup (CCAW)

Agenda – MINUTES

February 7, 2022 – 2:00-3:30 PM

HF SOB S159 / Microsoft TEAMS

Attendance:

- WisDOT: Beth Cannestra (BPD), Brandon Lamers (BPD), Chad Hayes (BPD), Jed Peters (NCR), Krissy Van Hout (NER)
- Industry: Matt Grove (WTBA), Kevin McMullen (WCPA), Deb Schwerman (WAPA), Jake David (WEMA), JR Ramthun (Michels)
- FHWA: Nick Perna
- Absent: N/A

1. 2:00-2:05 **Minutes from August 17, 2021 meeting and Review Charter**
 - Minutes: <https://wisdot.box.com/s/pmgmffesx1tzi8gndbvc86xfndde8yin>
 - Charter: <https://wisdot.box.com/s/y7bst61uba80iyrevy9xn563h45ojun2>
 - Presented August 2021 Minutes and CCAW Updated Charter
 - NOTE: Industry team members unable to view links (access restrictions?)
 - Brandon to look into getting industry access to meeting minutes
2. 2:05-2:15 **WisDOT Proposed Part 1 2023 Standard Specification Changes**
 - 2023 Spec: <https://wisdot.box.com/s/arklmjge3zi7snu7w07ylth9sww3xje7>
 - Reviewed proposed revisions to Part 1 of the 2023 Standard Spec
 - 102.5 (3): Industry concern – what is the responsibility of contractor to ask for additional documents
 - 104.6.1.2.3 (2): Industry concern – weekend and end of day drop off language
 - 104.6.1.2.4: Industry concerns – 1) what is “all traffic” 2) what is intent of Friday 3) concern may impact non-priority roadways
 - 104.10.2 (5) – Industry noted concerns with the addition of the proposed language that states that the department will not consider a CRI that only eliminates work.
 - Matt noted that in many instances items may need to be eliminated to realize the cost savings of many CRI concepts.
 - Beth and Brandon noted that this change is for CRIs that only eliminate items.
 - Beth and Brandon asked for industry examples of where CRIs were dismissed based on the elimination of work that industry believed should have been considered.
 - Matt asked Beth and Brandon if there were instances of CRIs submitted that only eliminated work
 - 109.4.5.5.1 (5) – Industry asked for justification on the increase from \$500 to \$1500. Asked if update based on real costs.
 - ACTION: WisDOT (BPD Construction Standards) to review comments from CCAW comments noted above and will coordinate with Industry (WTBA) as the final reviews

are made and communicate any additional revisions or changes based on comments from industry today.

3. 2:15-2:25 **Partial Acceptance / Winter Shutdown Subcommittee update**
 - Subcommittee meeting held January 31, 2022
 - Summary of committee discussed
 - WisDOT provided DRAFT CMM language to provide better clarification to project engineers and contractors
 - ACTION: Industry (WTBA-Matt) will review and provide comments/edits

4. 2:25-2:35 **Incomplete or Misrepresented Work in Plans**
 - Removal of Structure – “see as-builts” - as-builts may not be accessible online – how to make sure contractor can access – have designer make a note
 - Awareness for designers to include ALL information needed for contractor to build planned design
 - SY items for pavement removal and base patching
 - Inappropriate pay items: SY/CY/LS

5. 2:35-2:45 **Consistent use of Pay Items Statewide**
 - Aggregate sources – base / select crushed / breaker – specifically related to 3” base – inconsistency statewide
 - Shaping Shoulders – excess milled material and prep of shoulders – inconsistencies statewide
 - Concrete Pavement Repair – seems that each region has own standard – makes difficult for industry

6. 2:45-2:55 **SDD vs Typical Sections vs Construction Details**
 - Industry (Kevin) noted plan conflicts. Plans should make sense based on SDDs. SDDs represent concepts that industry is familiar with. Examples provided:
 - 12’ & 14’ lanes vs 13’ & 13’ concrete lanes
 - Integral curb and gutter
 - Follow hierarchy of contract documents

7. 2:55-3:10 **Schedule Restrictions**
 - (forced) Early Start Date
 - Seeing applied to working day and calendar day contracts
 - Notice to proceed language included to contracts that clearly ties to backing working/calendars days back from October 1st
 - Restrictions on Traffic on Milled Surface / Paving within a specified amount of time
 - More information is needed – restrictions are making it difficult to meet requirements (time too short or distance too short for work operations)

- A separate work group is in the process of being formed
- Requirement for onsite mill at all times for distressed milling projects
 - Also a work restriction – limits contractor flexibility to work on multiple projects
- Industry specifically noted that the department needs to provide to most flexibility as possible to contracts. Restrictions are making it difficult to complete all the work that is out there.

8. 3:10-3:15 **Sinusoidal Rumble Strips (update)**

- Industry (Kevin – WCPA) – changing head is a challenge
- Industry (Deb – WAPA) – suggested a review of Pilot projects before adding more

9. 3:15-3:25 **Materials Inflation / Estimating Projects**

- Industry would like to have an escalation clause added to contracts
 - Matt informed the WisDOT team that Florida DOT has a provision to compensate for price increases.

10. 3:25-3:30 **Notification of Material Delay**

- Are designers aware of and considering material lead times when determining project schedules.
 - Steel
 - Aluminum – 6+ month lead times
 - Street light poles
 - Decorative light poles even longer
 - Laminated Bearings – seeing 24-weeks
 - Seed – has the potential to become a huge issue
 - Plastic pipes becoming an issue