



DBE Joint Task Force Meeting

Date & Time: January 19, 2021, 1:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Location: Zoom Meeting

Attendees: See number of participants at bottom

NOTES

Virtual Meeting Agenda:

1. Login and facilitated chat with **ADOT** Representative Greg Wristen, ECS – Rebekah Morris provided the introduction and facilitated the chat.
 - Greg spoke about his background with ADOT.
 - ECS is updating its “Consultant Contract Manual”. The manual discusses “how to do business” with ADOT ECS Department.
 - ECS Staff Changes: ECS is looking for 2 Procurement and Contract Managers.
 - ECS group has 21 people
 - Did an overview of ADOT ECS website to show the different areas where to find upcoming projects and on-call contracts.
 - Include website link with minutes. <https://azdot.gov/business/engineering-consultants>
2. Meeting called to order & Welcome by DBE Task Force Chair – Ignacio Malave called the meeting to order at 1:45pm.
 - ADOT Leadership Update – Dallas Hammit provided the report
 - SEO Staff Changes
 - Two new Assistant District Engineers have come on board (Carl Ericksen, Northeast District and James Hartman, Central District)
 - Matthew Moul is the new Deputy State Engineer for Statewide Operations. Matthew replaced Jesse Gutierrez.
 - Presentation on ADOT’s updated 5-year plan and funding – Dallas Hammit presented.
 - 2021-2025 5-year Program (\$5 Billion)
 - Discussed ADOT upcoming projects including 2 Design contracts.
 - An overview was given on the breakout of funding per type of projects.
 - Discussed the I-10 Broadway Curve project and the major improvements this project will bring. Project was awarded in January 2021.
 - Discussed the I-17 Flex Lanes (Anthem Way to Sunset Point) project and the major improvements this project will bring. Expected contract approval in Fall 2021.

- 2022-2026 Program
 - Board Study Session on January 26, 2021 regarding 2022-2026 Program.
 - Public Meetings will be held in March, April and May. ADOT plans to adopt in June 2021.
3. Presentation: Preferred Developer of the I-10 Broadway Curve - Pulice/FNF/Flatiron – Anthony Devito presented for the PFF JV
 - Presentation provided an overview of the project.
 - Anthony provided background information on the JV Partners (Pulice, FNF, Flatiron)
 - Discussed the Org chart on the project
 - Discussed previous DBE Commitments that the partners have accomplished.
 - Provided the PFF Website: www.pulice-fnf-flatironjv.com to fill out prequal forms.
 - Gave an overview of opportunities available and the procurement process.
 - Anthony gave an overview of the ADOT website where DBEs can find “current advertisements”.
 4. Addressing barriers – DBE Task Force led discussion – Patti Olds facilitated subcommittee questions to Dallas Hammit.
 - Professional Services Subcommittee – How is ADOT handling the rapid price increases of construction materials?
 - ADOT is consistently looking at cost increases on a regular basis and updating its data. Per Dallas Hammit, construction costs are roughly 8% under budget YTD, mainly tracking back to two individual projects: SR 24 and L303 bid prices coming in lower than expected.
 - Construction Subcommittee – How is ADOT making training available for inspection of construction materials – concrete and asphalt?
 - Dallas is looking into and will provide further information regarding training. He explained ADOT is a board member of the association ACTI and allowed use of certain ADOT training spaces, but due to COVID those trainings were put on hold.
 5. Results of Race Neutral Study - Tina Samartinean presented
 - Tina provided an explanation on Race Conscious versus Race Neutral DBE participation.
 - Provided an explanation of the differences between Race Conscious and Race Neutral goals.
 - Discussed how the DBE goals were assessed and how the goals are brought out by Race Conscious and Race Neutral DBE percentages.
 - FY 21-23 DBE Annual Goal (RC 8.17%, RN 4.72% = 12.89%)
 - Discussed the research study recommendations to help DBE and Industry work towards being a Race Neutral State.

6. DBE Program Update

- ADOT DBE Goals Report/Training – Kent Lane provided the report
 - Overview on OJT Training and provided contact info – Steve Navis 602.712.8125
 - Kent discussed how to contact BECO for 1:1 technical assistance and support services.
- Program Update and Schedule of Events – Francesca Martin provided the report
 - ADOT DBESS web page for upcoming events
<https://azdot.gov/business/business-engagement-and-compliance/dbe-supportive-services/dbe-supportive-services-program>
 - January 26, 2021 DBESS Town Hall event. Tom Fulcher, SBA and Chamber of Commerce will be attending.
 - DBESS Joint TF Workshop – February 9th
 - Provided an overview of how the DBESS JTF workshops will work and the topics.
 - I-17 Flex Lanes Network Event – March 18th
 - Business Development Program (21-week program) will begin in Spring 2021. Register on the website.

7. Facilitated networking with Project Team (2:48pm)

- 27 participants; companies introduced themselves to PFF.
- Future topics
 - No future topics

Meeting Adjourned at 3:21pm

44 participants (12 Panelists) (32 Attendees)