

# I-580 Freeway Extension Project

## Contractor Outreach Meeting

### June, 28, 2006

#### Questions & Answers

*Q. Are there any contamination issues?* As far as we know, there are no contaminated soils along the alignment.

*Q. If you drill an on-site well will the state require the water rights to be transferred to that well? No. Does the project come with water rights? No.*

*Q. What about indemnification of existing structures?* What is out there right now is "good product". We will disclose any information regarding less than high quality. There are a few things that may require corrections and will be included in the bid package. The temporary structures will become the property and responsibility of the successful bidder.

*Q. Would the Department consider providing design files in AutoCAD or some other electronic format as pdfs are not as desirable.* Rick noted that NDOT will consider this request.

*Q. Can you tell us what the value of the Package A remaining is left to do?* Package A was bid at \$79.5 million and to date, \$46 million has been paid out. Remaining (\$34M - in 2003 dollars) amount is included in the total Contract 3292 amount of \$300 million. The Package B estimate, alone, is \$265 million in today's dollars (2006).

*Q. Will you consider asphalt indexing? The asphalt is tied to market pricing, not crude pricing.* Yes, we can discuss a better way to deal with that.

*Q. Are the Package B plans in the July 6 set going to include only information south of Corey and north of Galena?* No. The Contract 3292 plans issued on July 6<sup>th</sup> will include all of Package B, from Washoe Valley to the Mt. Rose interchange. The plans will not include the Contract 3148 remaining work. Supplemental No. 2, to be issued in late July, will include remaining work on the Galena Creek Bridge. Supplemental No. 3, to be issued in late August, will include grading, drainage, roadway and all other work remaining from Contract 3148. The supplemental plans will show work completed in Contract 3148 as existing, and work to be performed under Contract 3292 as proposed. New base mapping between Corey and Galena has been prepared based on current information and will be incorporated into Supplemental No. 3.

*Q. Does NDOT warrant that the construction sequence shown on the plans or is responsibility still on the Contractor for stability and wind evaluation?* On Contract 3148,

the intent was erection of truss was entirely EKS's responsibility. To accelerate the schedule and avoid problems similar to 3148, the Department is going to show a notional wind load on the plans. The Department will analyze the truss, using this notional wind load, for various stages of construction. The plans will not show a complete erection process, but the truss will be analyzed at discreet time steps. The Department will not require a wind study to be performed (will be left to the discretion of the bidders/contractor). A single wind loading covering both the pilot truss erection and the concrete casting will be shown on the plans.

***Q. Can the Contract 3148 wind studies be provided prior to Supplemental # 3? Yes.***

***Q. Will high performance concrete (HPC) be described in the presentation? No.*** HPC has been discussed in previous meetings, and there is information on the website ([www.freewayextension.com](http://www.freewayextension.com)). HPC will also be discussed at the mandatory pre-bid meeting on August 11.

***Q. Will a mandatory on-site batch plant be required? It will not be required, but is recommended and the Department encourages the use of one.***

***Q. Will the plans identify all types and locations of geotechnical materials, or will it be an ongoing cooperative effort with the Engineer? The plans show general areas of material types, and geotechnical reports go into detail about the material, but it will ultimately be a field determination.***

***Q. Does Black Eagle Consulting (BEC) know the energy potential of rocks that may fall down the slopes of the job? BEC has performed an analysis, but does not recall the answer from memory. The geotechnical reports discuss the analysis and findings.***

***Q. Will NDOT require the Contractor to indemnify the State for the condition of the existing structures? Everything installed to date is a good product. The backstay tube alignment may be suspect. NDOT is unaware of any problems with the pier locations and alignment. Superficial patching may be required, but will be handled via force account. The Contractor will not be asked to warrant the existing work.***