



CAROLINAS AGC / SCDOT
JOINT COOPERATIVE COMMITTEE
January 13, 2021
11:00 a.m. Room 306, SCDOT
A G E N D A

I. CALL TO ORDER

- A. Introductions**
See attached

II. Old Business

A. E-Ticketing Update (in Specs Now?)

Issues were worked through at the end of 2021. The supplemental technical specification went into effect January 2022. It is also on the website. There are not any approved vendors yet, but there are three that SCDOT has been working closely with (Hall Hub, Fleet watcher, and Aztec).

B. Escalations - Southeastern States?

Steel and reinforced concrete pipe shortages are becoming a problem. Leland Colvin stated that SCDOT met with the vendors at the end of 2021. It appears to only a couple of vendors are having shortage issues. The rest were able to move things around and make it work. There are only about two vendors out of six in the state having issues. The vendors are hoping to come out of the issues by the end of the first quarter of 2022. The contractors are being told that they cannot get supplies due to the shortage of wire. Paying stockpile has helped somewhat. Escalation is not being done on existing projects. Florida is drafting specification on guardrail that is retro with escalation for non-federal participation.

III. New Business

A. Safety Topic

Winter prep is going on right now at SCDOT. Please be aware of black ice and the dangers associated with it. SCDOT thanked the contractors that have submitted snow and ice plans and encouraged the rest to contact their local maintenance office to get that process started.

B. Vaccine Mandate Discussion - Impact on contractors and SCDOT

The mandate, as it is written now, does not go down to federal recipients. It is just for contractors working on a federal job but not a federal recipient. Since SCDOT is a recipient of those federal funds, it does not apply to our projects. SCDOT has not vaccine mandates

at this time and not foreseeing any. The joint safety plan terminated in the spring so we are not following it at this point. However, it can be put back in place if needed.

C. Governor's Executive Budget Proposal/Impact on industry and SCDOT

The Governor released his executive budget on Monday. It includes his recommendation for \$100 million recurring for making match for federal aid and additional one-time funding to help accelerate projects. The House and Senate are pretty good in agreement on the \$100 million recurring and some amount of one-time funding to accelerate. What the Senate Finance Subcommittee approved yesterday was roughly \$100 million recurring and approximately \$454 million one-time funding. Reality is that SCDOT will probably be just a little north of \$450 million. This funding will be used to keep the 10-year program whole, boost MPO/COG to \$100 million, boost bridges to \$70 million, boost pavements a little more, and then various little projects. This will also let us accelerate interstate projects that are in the works. This funding will not be used to expand personnel within DOT. The plan is to accelerate the I-26 widening between Columbia and Charleston and the first 33 mile of I-95. There is funding source in the Governor's budget for I-73. There is a bid build project for 7 miles of I-26 widening near Jedburgh that will be going to letting in spring of 2022. In 2023, the 10 miles between mile marker 125 and mile marker 135 in I-26 will be let. Then, a design build contract will be set up for the interchange of I-95 at I-26. In 2024, the first 8 miles of I-95 will be let. If the \$454 million is approved, the plan is to have all of I-26 widening under construction by 2030 and all of I-95 under construction by 2029.

Interstate pavement has about 75 miles of open grade and friction course spread over 7 or 8 projects. These projects are expected to let late summer or early fall of 2022. Then, right behind it is about 73 miles of open grade removal and replace that will let spring of 2023. That will take care of all the raveling open grade and friction course and allow us to get back on our 2-year interstate resurfacing schedule.

D. Bridge Program Update

At the last Commission meeting, 105 primary bridges and 32 secondary bridges were approved and those will be loaded into the STIP this month. There are 22 closed secondary bridges, 2 closed primary bridges, and 136 posted primary bridges. Those design build bundles are being put together now and will let starting December 2022 and then one per quarter. Each bundle will have four to seven bridge replacements. Also this year, there will be approximately 50 bridge rehab bundles of five to ten bridges each let. SCDOT have a 2 year paving list for non-interstate paving. New MPO/COG project probably will not hit letting for approximately 36 months.

E. SIT/Law Enforcement Update

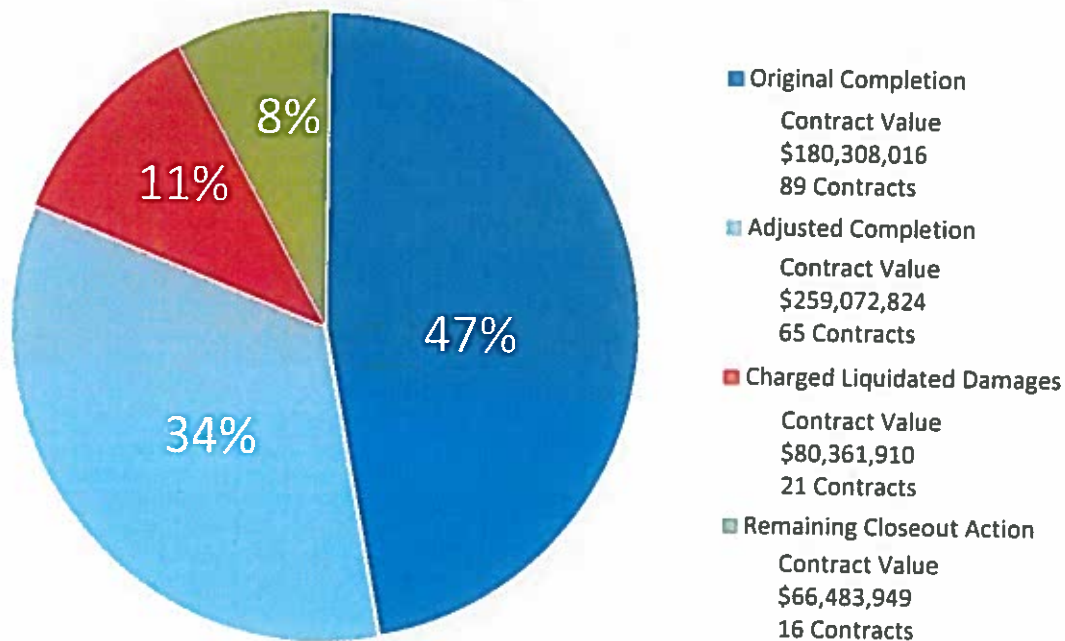
SIT teams have been having issues from a personnel standpoint. Therefore, the SIT teams are being eliminated. We are working on a new MOU with Highway Patrol on how we will handle law enforcement coverage on our projects. We will be relying on the in contract off duty law enforcement which keeps it open to having more assistance outside of just highway patrol. The other good news is that SCDOT is working with law enforcement on developing some scheduling software to make the process easier. The rate being paid in the contract used to be \$58.50 (\$50 to the trooper and \$8.50 to DPS). However, for some reason the troopers are not giving the \$8.50 back to DPS. So the rate will change back to \$50.00 and SCDOT will take care of the \$8.50 internally.

F. Transfer of Ownership; Define Construction; Larger Projects

How is construction defined? Generally speaking, the start of construction is when the permanent construction signs are installed. That is when you have introduced something new within the project limits. Kicked back to Road Subcommittee for further discussion to kind of go along with the claims side.

IV. Adjourn

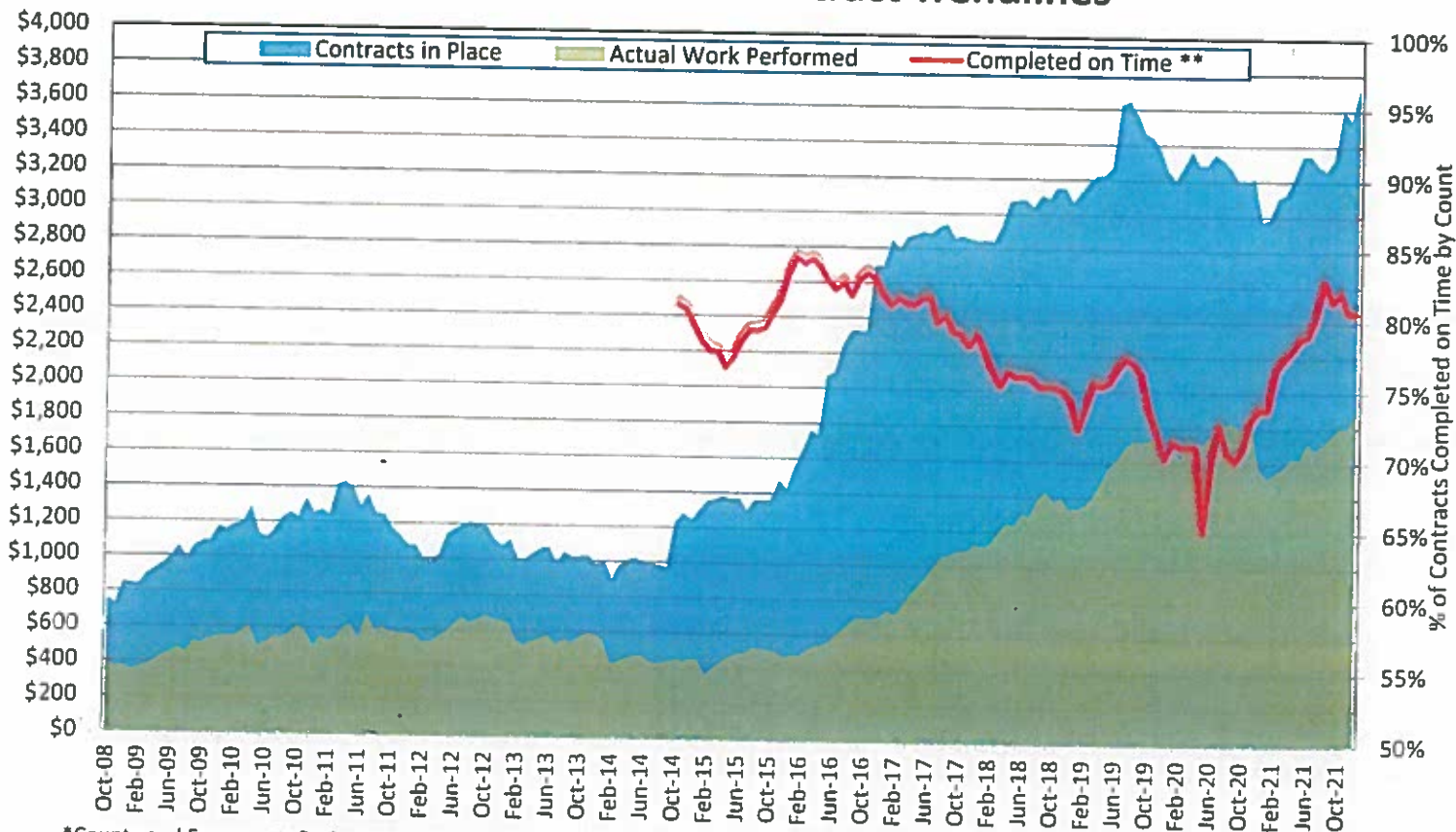
12 Month Construction On-Time by Number of Contracts Substantial Work Completed: January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2021



Notes:
Graph percentages are based on the number of contracts
Includes contracts only in SCDOT's name

As of 1/1/22
Source: DOC

SCDOT Construction Contract Trendlines*



*County and Emergency Projects are not included

** Work Performed trendline data are based on 12-month rolling data

As of 1/5/22

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