

SCDOT/CAGC Road subcommittee

April 20th, 2011 Meeting minutes

Attendees:

Chris Davis	Sanders Bros.
Shawn Godwin	Palmetto Corp.
Greg Heyward	King Asphalt
Casey Schwager	Sloan Construction
Thad Preslar	Boggs Paving
Chad Curran	Lane Construction
Sally Paul	SPC, Inc.
Stacey Black	Satterfield Construction
Marty McKee	Thrift Dev. Corp.
Jamie Kendall	SCDOT
Todd Steagall	SCDOT
Dennis Garber	SCDOT
Kyle Berry	SCDOT
Tim Lindberg	SCDOT
Danny Shealy	CAGC

Chris opened meeting with introductions.

Old Business:

Pipe Spec. update – Meeting was held on April 15th with DOT and several contractors. Fill height tables, backfill requirements, tolerances and shallow installations were discussed. DOT is reviewing comments provided by the contractors and acknowledges that there are some problems with the specification and will consider some changes. **Action Item:** DOT will send draft of any proposed changes for contractors to review.

Borrow Spec. update - SCDOT has had several meetings to discuss and have proposed a special provision to be placed in contracts to alert contractors of special borrow requirements. A 60 day ad will

be used to allow more time for testing of potential borrow pits until the specification can be revised to include a soil classification in lieu of other requirements such as phi angle etc.

Cross Slope Verification update - There will be three sections in the new specification. There will be an initial survey, proposed plan of cross slope corrections and a verification plan. Anything outside of the level II tolerances will have to be corrected. There will be pay items associated with initial survey and plans. DOT is investigating final acceptance by use of a smart level in lieu of surveys. **Action Item:** DOT to send draft of new specification for contractor's review.

New Business:

Fuel Adjustments for milling – DOT will poll several milling contractors to obtain cost and fuel usage for milling, hauling and cleanup associated with the milling operation. A NCHRP research project may have some information that may be used to determine the adjustments. Several inputs will have to be agreed upon such as depth of milling, width of milling drum, haul distances etc.. **Action Item:** DOT to poll contractors for input data and provide draft for contractor review.

Paving Driveways – A special provision was handed out (copy attached) which will be used on existing contracts and all future contracts. Driveways will be paved on a case by case basis to address drainage or safety issues. Language will be provided by SCDOT to address public complaints and issues. **Action Item:** DOT to provide language that all will use to answer complaints and questions.

On Call/Emergency repair contracts – These projects are developed in the maintenance office. DOT intends on spending the contract amount of these contracts but will not know which pay items will be used. Suggested the type of work and locations be identified in the contracts if possible. Also some breakdown of traffic control and mobilization for different situations. **Action Item:** Contractors to email Todd Steagall any suggestions on the pay items.

Floating Contract Completion dates - Calculated completion dates are being used and all the work is being completed at the same time. Possibly use the old flex time completion date which allows more time in the contract but the contractor decides when to start and then have 60 to 90 days to complete the contract. Need to check into the issues relating to site manager and find a way to start and stop time to allow for patching etc. **Action Item:** DOT to research and make a recommendation as to how this can be accomplished.

Other Business:

Night Time paving – Districts 1 and 6 are identifying roads that require night time paving. All districts are working on including this information in the contracts at time of letting.

Wage regulation interviews – Contractors asked that SCDOT conduct interviews off to the side with individuals in lieu of in the company of other crew members. This causes some issues with contractor personnel when discussing wages. DOT agreed to send a note out to everyone concerning conducting these interviews in a private manner.

Micro milling – Future lettings will require a rideability specification on the milled surface prior to the placing of the open graded friction course (OGFC). OGFC contracts in the July Letting will have the rideability requirement on the milled surface.

Financial System conversion – Estimates were submitted by the cut off date for the “black out” period but it may be several weeks before the contractors get payment from SCDOT.

Next Meeting June 15th, 2011