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Baseline Document Change Announcement

ANNOUNCEMENT: BDC24S-03

DATE: April 18, 2024

SUBJECT: Construction Layout Costs for Minor Quantity Changes, and

Mandatory Site Investigation Reports

- Revisions to Subparts 104.03.03.1 and 104.03.03.3, and Subsection 105.11 of the 2019 Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction.

Subparts 104.03.03.1 and 104.03.03.3 of the 2019 Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction have been revised to ensure no additional payment is considered for layout since the CONSTRUCTION LAYOUT pay item was previously removed and the cost is now to be distributed across the items in the contract and minor changes do not affect payment. Additionally, Subsection 105.11 has been revised to make the submittal of site investigation reports mandatory rather than upon the request of the RE.

The following revisions have been incorporated into the 2019 Standard Specifications via 2019 Standard Inputs, SI2019:

104.03.03 Types of Changes

1. Quantity Increases and Decreases.

THE SECOND PARAGRAPH IS CHANGED TO:

For minor changes in quantity, the Department will make payment for the quantity of the Item performed at the bid price for the Item. Construction layout is included in the price of the original work.

3. Changes in the Character of Work.

THE THIRD PARAGRAPH IS CHANGED TO:

If a modification cannot be reached by agreement, the Department will make payment, only for the change in work, by force account as specified in 104.03.08.

105.11 CONSTRUCTION LAYOUT

THE LAST SENTENCE OF THE FIRST PARAGRAPH IS CHANGED TO:

Perform a site investigation within the Project Limits to locate existing ROW markers, property markers, survey control markers, and monuments. Before beginning construction operations, protect ROW markers, property markers, survey control markers, and monuments from disturbance and destruction. Notify the RE of the location of property markers and monuments that are in danger of being removed or disturbed and tie to fixed points or locate from established

contract control. Do not remove or disturb existing ROW markers, property markers, survey control markers, and monuments until obtaining RE approval. Record and provide a report of the findings of the site investigation to the RE.

Implementation Code R (ROUTINE)

Changes must be implemented in all applicable Department projects scheduled for Final Design Submission at least one month after the date of the BDC announcement. This will allow designers to make necessary plan, specifications, and estimate/proposal changes without requiring the need for an addenda or postponement of advertisement or receipt of bids.

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