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- **DATE**: October 17, 2008
- **TO:** All Prospective Bidders

## SUBJECT: Responses to Bidders' Inquiries No. 2 US 50 HOV Lanes Phase 1 El Dorado Hills to Bass Lake Grade (Contract No. 53110)

INQUIRY NO.	BID ITEM NO.	PAGE OR DRAWING NO.	INQUIRY/RESPONSE
1		SP-91	Question: Please refer to Lane Closure charts 1 & 2. What is meant by "when crossover is not in effect"? Answer: This note will be removed by Addendum No. 3. Lane closure charts 1 & 2 will apply for all
2		SP-91	work on US-50. Question: What lane closures are available when the crossover is in effect? Answer: Addendum No. 3 will correct lane closure charts 1 & 2 to remove the note "when crossover is in not in effect". Lane closure charts 1 & 2 will apply for all work on US-50.
3	52, Roadway Excavation 58, Rock Excavation	SP-116	Question: Can excess excavated material remain onsite or is it to be disposed of outside the ROW? Per the Earthwork section of the specs surplus excavated material shall be disposed of outside the ROW, however, on Page 28 of the Geotechnical Report under Material Disposal it states, "excess material including oversized rock can be placed within the median, outside structural fill slopes, and/or along the face of fill slopes Answer: Excess excavated material is to be disposed of outside of the ROW as stated in the special provisions.
4	13, Temporary Traffic Stripe (Paint)	SP-101	Question: Does the temporary striping for stage 1 grinding get paid as temporary striping? Answer: Although measured and paid for in the same manner as paint traffic stripe, temporary traffic stripe (paint) is still paid for as temporary traffic stripe (paint). Addendum No. 3 will add a full comp clause for the removal of the temporary traffic stripe (paint).
5	37, Remove Retaining Wall 46, Remove Concrete (Curb, Gutter, and Sidewalk)	SP-109, SP-115	Question: It looks like there is conflicting information in the specs regarding payment for curb, gutter and sidewalk removal. On page SP-109 under remove retaining wall it states that adjacent curb and sidewalk removal is included in the price paid for remove retaining wall. This looks like that conflicts with Remove Concrete on page SP-115. Please Clarify.

			Answer: Addendum No. 3 will revise the pay clause for Remove Retaining Wall to not include removal of the curb and sidewalk.
6	74, Place HMA (Miscellaneous Area)	Layout Sheets	Question: Could you provide more information as to what is paid for under Place HMA (Misc Area). The drainage plans are clear but we are having trouble finding the remaining quantity on the layout and construction detail sheets (except for what is shown on the EN Line). Answer: Place HMA (Miscellaneous Area) on the layout sheets includes the HMA under the HMA Dikes. See typical cross sections and dike detail A and B,
7	17, Temporary Railing (Type K)	Traffic Handling Sheets	Question: The traffic handling sheets have a note stating that temp krail shall be pinned per the standard details. The only krail we found shown on the plans to be pinned is on Latrobe Rd, Stage 5. Please confirm that this is the only krail required to be pinned on the project. Answer: Temporary Railing (Type K) per standard plan sheet T3, is required to be pinned when the minimum edge distance is less than 2-feet. The Traffic handling plans and typical sections on the traffic handling plans show the minimum edge distance for consideration of pinning.
8		Design cross sections	Question: Please refer to cross-sections for the project. Is the original ground line shown in the overlay areas OG before the 0.10' grind or after? Answer: OG shown on cross-sections is OG prior to 0.10' grind.
9		Design cross sections	Question: Additionally, is FG shown for the RHMA (O) or the HMA layer? Answer: FG shown is for the HMA layer.
10		Design cross section at Station A2 69+50.	Question: On several of the cross-sections there is a third line shown between what appears to be the FG and OG lines (for example, refer to the cross- section for A2 69+50, there is a line 0.35' below FG in the overlay area). What does this middle line represent? Answer: The line showing between FG and OG corresponds to the minimum depth of HMA overlay of existing pavement as shown on the typical sections.
11		Plan Sheet 388	Question: Please refer to sheet 388 of the plans and the detail showing existing bent 4 column removal. Is this applicable to each of the 4 columns at bent 4 or only the one column that is called out on the plan? Answer: The detail shown applies to all existing columns at bent 4.
12			Question: Could you please consider postponing the bid date at least 1 week? Answer: Because the project has a grant funding deadline, the Department does not currently plan to extend the bid opening date to permit more time to prepare bids.

13	Copies of the Plan holders list were distributed at the pre-bid meeting. Those not in attendance who would like a copy should contact Pat Lester using
	the information listed below.

Holders who have already mailed their proposal can contact Pat Lester at (916) 358-3550 (email: plester@co.el-dorado.ca.us) or Rick Carter at (916) 358-3554 (email: rcarter@edcgov.us) to arrange for the return of their proposal.

Inform all suppliers and subcontractors as necessary.

The Department of Transportation is sending these responses to bidders' inquiries by fax or email to all document holders. These responses to bidders' inquiries will also be available at the following website: http://www.co.el-dorado.ca.us/DOT/bids.html

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Sincerely,

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