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January 7, 2025  
Subject: Bridge Wearing Surface  
Replacement  
State WIN: 027184.20  
Location: Waterville  
**Amendment No. 2**

Dear Sir/Ms.:

The following questions have been received:

**Question:** Section 526 - Concrete Barrier of the bid book mentions temporary glare screen that is incidental to the barrier item, however, there are no limits of such glare screen shown in the plans.

If glare screen is required, please provide limits for each phase of construction.

**Response:** Glare screen is not required on this project, please omit section g. Temporary Glare Screen of Special Provision Section 526 – Concrete Barrier.

**Question:** The schedule of items for the project contains Type 1 Smart Work Zone items, but the special provisions reference the contractor installing Type 2 Smart Work Zone items.

Please confirm.

**Response:** The Special Provision, Section 652 Maintenance of Traffic, Smart Work Zone System, includes both Type 1 and Type 2 information and pay items. This project only requires the installation of Type 1.

**Question:** Section 105 of the bid book provides the contractor with the information to conclude that there are four periods of time available for crossover activation and the 35 calendar day periods for mainline closure.

These periods would be,

April 7th, 2025, until the Memorial Day holiday on May 23rd, 2025 May 27th, 2025, until the July 4th, 2025, Holiday.

July 6th, 2025, until the Labor Day Holiday on August 29th , 2025.

September 2nd, 2025, until the Veterans Day Holiday on November 7th , 2025.

However, installation of barrier and activation of the crossover will require the use of daytime lane closures and daytime lane closures are only allowed from Monday April 7th , 2025, through Thursday

May 22nd , 2025, and Wednesday September 3rd , 2025, through Friday October 31st , 2025 per the special provisions.

This limits the contractor to only be able to perform the crossover activation and the 35 calendar day periods for mainline closure during the early springtime period and late fall time periods where weather will not be conducive for striping, paving, or placement of the polyester polymer concrete.

Would the department consider allowing Daytime Lane Closures during the time periods between May 22nd and September 3rd if the were only used for work activities necessary for crossover activation and deactivation, including removing pavement markings, installation of pavement markings, installation of temporary rumble strips, installation, and removal of temporary concrete barrier, staging and installation of construction signs and warning devices?

**Response:** The Department understands that the daytime lane closure dates allowed in this Contract (April 7<sup>th</sup> to May 22<sup>nd</sup> and September 3<sup>rd</sup> to October 31<sup>st</sup>) may result in seasonal challenges during those periods; however, due to predicted summertime traffic volumes and winter maintenance activities, daytime lane closures outside of these dates are not allowed.

Consider these changes and information prior to submitting your bid on **January 15, 2025**

Sincerely,



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