



DBE Supportive Services Program

DBE News & Events

January 18, 2018

ADOT BECO Lunch & Learn Series will continue in 2018

Kick off 2018 with Improved Technology Knowledge

ADOT BECO always asks participants what topics they want to learn about and 2018 is the year anchored in their feedback. The first is a direct request from the December event on new technology being used by primes for bidding. We will have a prime returning for [January's Lunch and Learn](#) to take us inside SMARTBID software! This popular series gets KUDOS from its participants for ADOT's volunteer presenters who are known experts in their field.

Other sessions being planned include Marketing and Networking, Procurement, Bonding Financials, Access to Capital, Websites and Social Media and Project Management.

February's topic is set and will be on Contract Compliance – Prompt Pay and DBE Audits. You may register now on [EventBrite](#).

Bring your lunch, network with your peers, get ahead in 2018! Lunch & Learns are held monthly at the BECO office from 11:30 – 1 pm. Come join the group and view the Business Resource Center, built just for you!

THURSDAY January 25, 2018
11:30 am - 1:00 pm
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Plan to Attend All 2018's Lunch & Learns

Date	Time	Topic
Jan. 25, 2018	11:30 a.m. -1 p.m.	Future Technology for Bidding – Intro to SmartBid Software
Feb. 22, 2018	11:30 a.m. -1 p.m.	ADOT ECS – Prompt Payment

Upcoming Dates	March 29, 2018	Aug. 23, 2018
	April 26, 2018	Sept 20, 2018
	May 24, 2018	Oct. 18, 2018
	June 21, 2018	Nov. 15, 2018
	July 26, 2018	Dec. 13, 2018

In the News

January 18, 2018

Agreement Gives ADOT Environmental Review Authority

When the **Arizona Department of Transportation** installs a digital message board, rehabilitates a bridge, renovates a rest area or takes on similar work that makes up nearly all of its projects requiring compliance with federal environmental regulations, the speed of completion can depend in part on coordination with and review by multiple federal agencies.

Recognizing that states can comply with federal environmental requirements on their own while streamlining processes, a new agreement assigns ADOT environmental review authority and responsibility for many projects found to not have significant environmental impacts. A Memorandum of Understanding signed Wednesday by ADOT and the **Federal Highway Administration** applies to projects commonly referred to as **Categorical Exclusions**.

“Governor Ducey has challenged state agencies to eliminate red tape and work at the speed of business, and this agreement allows ADOT to accomplish both,” said Dallas Hammit, ADOT state engineer and deputy director for transportation. “We can manage projects more efficiently while continuing to meet strict environmental requirements.”

Congress recognized the benefits of such agreements with legislation creating a program known as **CE Assignment** to expedite environmental review. This allows a state to assume decision-making and legal responsibility for meeting requirements of the **National Environmental Policy Act** and other federal environmental laws.

To qualify as Categorical Exclusions, projects must not significantly affect air, noise or water quality, natural, cultural, recreational, historic or other resources, planned growth or land use, or travel patterns. They also must not require the relocation of significant numbers of people. Categorical Exclusions may require additional environmental analysis and coordination to confirm whether the designation is appropriate.

ADOT is developing a second Memorandum of Understanding with the Federal Highway Administration under what’s known as the **NEPA Assignment Program** for highway projects that require either an **Environmental Assessment** or **Environmental Impact Statement**. That agreement is expected to be in place later this year. ●

Share Thoughts on ADOT’s State Aviation System Plan Update

Members of the public are welcome to provide input on an update to the **Arizona Department of Transportation’s State Aviation System Plan**.

The update, which evaluates the current and future performance of Arizona’s 67 publicly owned, public-use airports, will help guide ADOT’s long-term planning so the state’s aviation system can safely meet the evolving needs of residents, visitors and businesses.

State aviation system plans are typically updated every 7-10 years. Arizona’s was last updated in 2008.

Three public meetings are scheduled this month in Mesa, Tucson and Flagstaff. Each meeting will be an open house with a formal presentation at 2 p.m. The same information will be shared at each.

Mesa

1 to 3 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 23

Phoenix-Mesa Gateway Airport,
5835 S. Sossaman Road |
Airport Administration Building,
Airport Board Room

Flagstaff

1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 25

Northern Arizona Center for
Entrepreneurship and Technology,
2201 N. Gemini Road | Accelerator,
Alternate EOC Building, Room 100

Tucson

1 to 3 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 24

Tucson International Airport,
7250 S. Tucson Blvd. | Airport
Terminal Board Room, 2nd Floor

Additional information is available at azdot.gov/SASPUUpdate, which lists contacts for those unable to attend the meetings but wishing to comment by email or phone.

Business & Industry Events

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January

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DBE Joint Task Force Meeting
 Location: 206 South 17th Avenue, Phoenix
 Time: 9:00am - 11:00am
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NAWIC- Your Estimate is Sooner Than You Think
 Location: 302 N. First Ave., Phoenix
 Time: 11:00am - 3:00pm
- 25

Future Technology for Bidding - Intro to SmartBid
 Location: ADOT BECO Office, 1801 W. Jefferson St., Phoenix
 Time: 11:30am - 1:00pm
- 26

AMCA Annual Business Expo
 Location: 302 N. First Ave., Phoenix
 Time: 11:00am - 3:00pm
- 30

New AIA Documents: Changes to Documents
 Location: 1661 N. Swan Road, Suite 144, Tucson
 Time: 8:00am - 10:00am
- 30

Unit 1: Introduction to BIM, 3rd Edition
 Location: 5031 East Washington St. Phoenix
 Time: 7:30am - 4:00pm
- 30

Access to Capital
 Location: Cesar Chavez Library , 3635 W. Baseline Rd.
 Time: 5:30pm - 7:30pm

January

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Unit 2: BIM Technology, 3rd Edition
 Location: 5031 East Washington St. Phoenix
 Time: 7:30am - 4:00pm

February

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Introduction to Contracts
 Location: CO+HOOTS - 221 E. Indianola Ave., Phoenix
 Time: 6:00pm - 7:30pm
- 8

The Legal Ins and Outs of Startups
 Location: CO+HOOTS - 221 E. Indianola Ave., Phoenix
 Time: 5:30pm - 7:30pm
- 20

Evaluating and Estimating Costs and Pricing Part 2
 Location: CO+HOOTS - 221 E. Indianola Ave., Phoenix
 Time: 5:30pm - 7:30pm
- 22

Managing Contract Compliance: Prompt Payment
 Location: ADOT BECO Office, 1801 W. Jefferson St., Phoenix
 Time: 11:30am - 1:00pm



READY TO PLAY!

MARCH 1ST!

MAJOR LEAGUE OPPORTUNITIES IN TRANSPORTATION

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!

Project Opportunities

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Links

- [ADOT Current Advertisements](#)
- [ADOT Engineering Advertisements](#)
- [ADOT Public-Private Partnership Initiatives](#)
- [ADOT Advertised Alternative Delivery Projects](#)
- [Bidding Opportunities Around the State](#)

Did you know?

The [Business Coach On Demand](#) provides guidance to bidding on ADOT Projects for construction and design. Please visit our website on the section Preparing to Bid – Guide to bidding on ADOT Projects.

! ADOT Bid openings after January 1st, 2017 will require prime contractors to submit DBE affidavits within 5 calendar days from bid opening. This is two days less than the current requirement. For example, if bid opens on Friday, the DBE Affidavits will be due to BECO, from the prime contractor, by Wednesday before 4:00 PM. Therefore, this is reducing the time DBEs and prime contractors have to prepare, sign and submit the DBE Affidavits to BECO. DBEs are urged to consider this new time restriction when working with prime contractors to complete and sign the DBE Affidavits in order for them to be submitted to BECO by the 5th calendar day from bid opening.

Featured Federal-Aid Projects

General/Sub Contractors Opportunities						
Due Date	Project Valuation	DBE Goal	Solicitation/ Project Number	Type	Project Owner and Description	Contact
1/26/18 11am	\$900K	4.22%	STP-STJ-0(202)T; SZ18501C	IFB	ADOT - Pavement Rehabilitations, St. Johns. The work consists of removing the existing pavement and replacing it with asphaltic concrete (miscellaneous structural), removing and replacing guardrail, signing, & striping.	David Do, Engineering Specialist, at DDo@azdot.gov or Carl Ericksen, Construction Supervisor, at CEricksen@azdot.gov
1/26/18 11am	\$342K	7.0%	CM-GLN-0(243)T; SZ10801C	IFB	ADOT - Shared Use Pathway Construction, various locations, Glendale. The work consists of constructing new multi-use sidewalks, sidewalk ramps, landscape & signage	Sam Patton, Engineering Specialist, at spatton@azdot.gov or Kirk Kiser, Construction Supervisor, kkiser@azdot.gov
2/2/18 2pm		5.05%	TT0347; 2017-044; SZ04601C	RFQ	Maricopa County - Construction Administration Services, Northern Parkway: Dysart Rd to 111th Ave. The work consists of project supervision & management, inspection services, office & administrative support, federal documentation review, materials sampling & testing, & construction surveying	Cindy Slaughter, Contract Specialist, at 602-506-8038 or CindySlaughter@mail.maricopa.gov or Suzi Williams at 602-606-8019 or SuziWilliams@mail.maricopa.gov
2/7/18 2pm		7.0%	20112259	RFQ	Tucson Airport Authority - Ryan Airfield Master Plan Update, Planning Consultant Services.	Sylvia Granillo at 520-573-4821 or sgranillo@flytucson.com

LUNCH & LEARN



Location: 1801 W. Jefferson Street, Suite 101, Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Click here to register:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/lunch-and-learn-future-technology-for-bidding-intro-to-smartbid-software-tickets-41477989784>

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Managing Contract Compliance: Prompt Payment and DBE Audit Requirements

*Presented by: Cedric Johnson, JD Contract Compliance Manager
ADOT Engineering Consultants Section*

- An Overview of the Payment Process
- Prompt Pay
- Requirements for approval of new sub-consultants added to a contract
- Audits within the DBE system – An overview of the process

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<http://lunch-and-learn-managing-contract-compliance.eventbrite.com>



“GET READY” For Tax Filing Season Resources

(Please click each heading for more information)



Take Steps Now for Tax Filing Season

Get ready today to file your 2017 federal income tax return. Changes for the tax filing season include ITINs, delays in refunds and validating your electronically filed return.

You May Need to Renew Your ITIN (Individual Taxpayer Identification Number)

Your ITIN may expire before you file a tax return in 2018. All ITINs not used on a federal tax return at least once in the last three years will expire on December 31, 2017. Additionally, all ITINs issued before 2013 with middle digits of 70, 71, 72 or 80 (Example: (9XX-70-XXXX)) will expire at the end of the year.

Delays in Refunds for EITC and ACTC

If you claim the earned income tax credit (EITC) or the additional child tax credit (ACTC) on your tax return, the IRS must hold your refund until at least February 15 — even the portion not associated with EITC or ACTC.

Validating Your Electronically Filed Tax Return

When self-preparing your taxes and filing electronically, you must sign and validate your electronic tax return by entering your prior-year Adjusted Gross Income (AGI) or your prior-year Self-Select PIN. Using an electronic filing PIN is no longer an option.

Let Us Help You - Online Tools and Resources

Before you call, check out the topics people ask about most. We have high call volumes and encourage you to click on one of these hot topics for faster service.

SL Contact: Lisa Novack
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SR 202 South Mountain Freeway Contract Opportunities

Bid Package:

Metal Handrails

Anticipated Bid Issue Date:

January 5, 2018

Anticipated Bid Due Date:

January 19, 2018

Package Work Schedule:

February 2018 – November 2019

If your firm provides these services, email Opportunities@C202P.com to be added to our bidder's list for this package. Enter *Metal Handrails Bid Package* in the subject line.

Scope of work includes:

Fabricate and Supply Metal Handrail for MSE Walls, Cast in Place Concrete Walls and Drainage Structures.

Provide all required labor, materials and equipment for the complete supply, fabrication, delivery and installation.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Project Owner:
Arizona Department of Transportation

Project Name:
SR 202L (South Mountain Freeway)

I-10 (Maricopa Freeway) –
I-10 (Papago Freeway)

Public Private Partnership (P3)

Design-Build-Maintain Contract

Project Number:
202 MA 054 H882701 C

Project Substantial Completion Date:
November 2019

DBE Goals:
16.45% Professional Services, 10.93%
Construction, 6.08% Capital Asset
Replacement Work