

**Transportation Commission of Colorado
Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE) Committee
Agenda
Wednesday, March 18, 2015
4201 East Arkansas Avenue; Auditorium
Denver, Colorado**

**HEATHER BARRY, Chairwoman
District 4**

**BILL THIEBAUT
District 10**

**KATHY CONNELL
District 6**

**LES GRUEN
District 9**

**HERMAN STOCKINGER
Policy and Government
Relations Director/Secretary**

The Chairwoman may change the item sequence or timing

- 1. Call to order**
- 2. Approval of Minutes from December 18, 2014 p 04**
- 3. DBE Program Update (Report, Goal-Setting)..... p 06**
- 4. Industry Forum Update (GFE Report)**
- 5. Connect2DOT Program Update**
- 6. ADA Curb Ramp Inventory Update**
- 7. Other Updates**
- 8. Public Input/Comments**
- 9. Adjournment**



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DATE: March 6, 2015
TO: Transportation Commission
FROM: Heidi Humphreys, Director, *Division of Administrative Service*
SUBJECT: March Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Committee Meeting

DBE Program Update

The Federal Fiscal Year 2015 (10/1/2014 - 1/31/2015) end of January DBE report for federal aid construction contracts shows CDOT exceeding its overall goal of 10.25% with 10.30% DBE Participation.

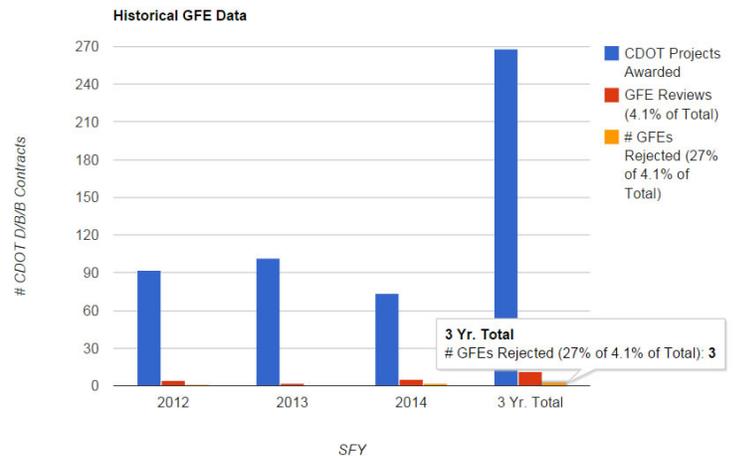
Of the 109 awarded prime and subcontracts shown in the full report attached, 61 went to individual DBE firms.

DBE Program Goal-Setting

By August 1, 2015, CDOT is required to submit a three-year overall annual DBE goal and methodology to FHWA. CDOT has decided to conduct a dual goal setting process with the I-70 East project goal setting so all major factors are being considered at the same time. The result will be two separate goals, one for the I-70 East project and one for CDOT's overall annual goal for FY 2016-2018. The analysis will consider the type of work anticipated for I-70 East and other projects statewide. It will also look at the relative availability of DBE firms that are ready, willing, and able to work on CDOT projects and other relevant market factors.

Industry Forum Update (Quarterly GFE Report)

The CDOT Civil Rights & Business Resource Center (CRBRC) continues to engage with industry stakeholders to find ways to continuously improve its programs. During the summer of 2014, the Colorado Contractors Association (CCA) as well as the Colorado Asphalt Pavement Association (CAPA) raised some concerns regarding CDOT's Good Faith Effort (GFE) Process. In response, CDOT held 4 industry forum sessions which included several DBE firms and minority contracting organizations in addition to CCA and CAPA. As a result of these discussions, the CRBRC has posted additional GFE Guidance (which will include GFE "case studies") on its website at <https://www.codot.gov/business/civilrights/dbe/good-faith-effort-guidance-construction-projects>.



The Connect2DOT Program is a statewide strategic partnership between CDOT and the Colorado Small Business Development Center Network (CSBDC). Funded jointly by the Colorado Transportation Commission and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), the Program is designed to help small businesses in the transportation industry become more competitive and successful in bidding and contracting with CDOT. Current program highlights include the following:

1. Leading Edge program underway (12 participating firms)
2. This fiscal year to date (10/1/14 - 3/5/15)
 - a. Total of 77 consulting clients (15 DBE firms & 8 ESB firms)
 - b. 186 consulting sessions
 - c. 378 consulting hours spent
 - d. 13 training classes

ADA Curb Ramp Inventory Update

Since September 2013, CDOT has been conducting an ADA curb ramp inventory project to catalog all curb ramps that are within CDOT's Right of Way. The inventory will be used to determine which curb ramps are not accessible and to develop a schedule for the Transition Plan to estimate when the curb ramps would be made accessible. Project recently completed with 20,093 curb ramps' geometric and Accessible Pedestrian Signal (APS) data collected statewide in 15 months (Sept '13-Dec'13 - 4,527 ramps; April '14 - Feb '15 - 15,566 ramps).

Attachments

December 2014 DBE Committee Meeting Minutes
2015 DBE Participation Report



Transportation Commission DBE Committee Minutes
December 18, 2014

Call to Order:

Meeting called to order by Commissioner Gruen at 9:05 am.

Attendees:

Commissioner Connell
Commissioner Gruen
Heidi Humphries
Herman Stockinger
Monica Vialpando
Katherine Williams

Commissioner Thiebaut
Greg Diehl
Joshua Laipply
Kerrie Neet
Cathy Kramer
Richard Zamora

Minutes:

Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes by Commissioner Connell. Seconded by Commissioner Thiebaut. Unanimously approved.

DBE Participation Update

CDOT exceeded its 10.25 % DBE goal with an overall participation rate of 11.7%. The next goal setting will begin in the spring for Federal Fiscal Years 2016-2018.

Connect2DOT Update

184 small businesses received one-on-one assistance through the Connect2DOT program and additional firms attended trainings and classes. There are currently 14 locations delivering services throughout the state. The small business centers also track jobs created; 20 jobs have been created and 35 maintained. CDOT is beginning its Leading Edge course for transportation this spring. It is a nine week course held every Thursday for three hours to help transportation-related businesses grow.

Industry Collaboration Update

The Civil Rights and Business Resource Center (CRBRC) has responded to the industry's request for additional information on the good faith effort process by adding additional guidance information to its website. Additionally, it will be posting past good faith effort reviews on its website. The good faith

effort updates are one of many initiatives stemming from the industry collaboration meetings hosted by the CRBRC. The next meeting will be in March.

Commissioner Gruen asked whether the CRBRC is addressing the industry's concerns. Greg Diehl and Joshua Laipply, Chief Engineer, both affirmed that the primary issue seemed to be clarifying the process and that the CRBRC is doing so.

Name Change

The committee name change will be postponed until the rules are opened for other reasons.

Adjourned:

Moved to adjourn by Commissioner Gruen at 9:16am.

DBE MONTHLY REPORT FOR CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS

Federal Fiscal Year 2015 to Date (10/1/2014 - 1/31/2015)

Federal Dollars Only

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I
AWARDS/COMMITMENTS MADE DURING THIS REPORTING PERIOD (total contracts and subcontracts awarded or committed during this reporting period)	Total Dollars	Total Number	Total to DBEs (dollars)	Total to DBEs* (number)	Total to DBEs /Race Conscious (dollars)	Total to DBEs/Race Conscious (number)	Total to DBEs/Race Neutral (dollars)	Total to DBEs/Race Neutral (number)	Percentage of total dollars to DBEs
1. Prime contracts awarded this period	\$136,563,088	26	\$869,539	1	\$0	0	\$869,539	1	0.6%
2. Subcontracts awarded/committed this period	\$30,773,335	353	\$13,202,273	108	\$9,271,739	67	\$3,930,535	41	42.9%
3. TOTAL			\$14,071,813	109	\$9,271,739	67	\$4,800,074	42	10.3%

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
DBE AWARDS/COMMITMENTS THIS REPORTING PERIOD-BREAKDOWN BY ETHNICITY & GENDER	Black American	Hispanic American	Native American	Asian American	Non-Minority Women	Other (i.e. not of any other group listed here)	TOTALS (for this reporting period only)
4. Total Number of Contracts (Prime and Sub)	6	46	3	2	52	0	109
5. Total Dollar Value	\$342,707	\$6,199,051	\$652,296	\$220,575	\$6,657,184	\$0	\$14,071,813

	A	B	C	D	E
ACTUAL PAYMENTS ON CONTRACTS COMPLETED THIS REPORTING PERIOD	Number of Prime Contracts Completed	Total Dollar Value of Prime Contracts Completed	DBE Participation Needed to Meet Goal (Dollars)	Total DBE Participation (Dollars)	Percentage of Total DBE Participation
6. Race Conscious	20	\$35,448,934	\$2,666,463	\$3,720,767	10.5%
7. Race Neutral	5	\$3,778,219		\$1,367,620	36.2%
8. Totals	25	\$39,227,153		\$5,088,387	13.0%

* The 109 prime and subcontracts shown in this column went to 61 individual DBE firms.