**B - 3-0 Approve Contractor Utilization Plan\_April 2025** 



## Flowchart B-3-0: Approve Contractor Utilization Plan

- 1. Start: Contractor (bidder) decides to bid on an advertised project with a contract DBE goal.
- Bidder completes and submits the Anticipated DBE Participation Plan, CDOT Form 1414 (Figure 3-1).
- The Civil Rights Business Resource Center (CRBRC) reviews the CDOT Form 1414 and sends the utilization plan to the responsive low apparent bidder (Figure 3-2).
- 4. The bidder completes sections A and B of the Commitment Confirmation, CDOT Form 1415, for all DBEs listed on the CDOT Form 1414 (Figure 3-3).
- 5. The Disadvantaged Business Enterprise firm completes section C of the CDOT Form 1415 and submits the form to the bidder. (Figure 3-4)
- 6. Decision Item: Does the total eligible participation on the CDOT Form 1414 (and Form 1415) meet the DBE contract goal?
  - If No, the bidder completes the Good Faith Effort Report, CDOT Form 1416, (Figure 3-5) and continues to step 7.
  - If Yes, the bidder continues to step 7.
- The bidder completes the utilization plan in B2GNow and attaches the form(s) CDOT Form 1415 and CDOT Form 1416 (if applicable) (Figure 3-6).
- 8. The Civil Rights Business Resource Center staff member reviews the submitted utilization plan and associated CDOT Form 1415(s) and CDOT Form 1416 (if applicable) (Figure 3-7).
- 9. Decision Item: Does the total eligible participation meet the contract DBE goal?
  - If no, the Civil Rights Business Resource Center conducts a good faith effort review (Figure 3-9) and continues to step 11.
  - If yes, the Civil Rights Business Resource Center continues to step 10.
- 10. The Civil Rights Business Resource Center approves the utilization plan in B2GNow (Figure 3-8). Notification will then be sent to CDOT personnel informing them that the utilization plan is approved. A utilization plan will be

created in pdf format and uploaded into the documents of B2GNow. The process ends.

- 11. Decision Item: Does CDOT determine that the bidder has demonstrated a good faith effort?
  - If no, notification of the good faith effort request denial is sent to the bidder and continues to step 13.
  - If yes, the Civil Rights Business Resource Center continues to step 12.
- 12. The Civil Rights Business Resource Center approves the utilization plan in B2GNow (Figure 3-8). Notification will then be sent to CDOT personnel informing them that the utilization plan is approved. A utilization plan will be created in pdf format and uploaded into the documents of B2GNow. The process ends.
- 13. Decision Item: Does the bidder pursue administrative reconsideration?
  - If no, CDOT cannot award the contract to the bidder. The CDOT Contracts Unit determines how to proceed, and the process ends.
  - If yes, the CDOT Chief Engineer continues to step 14.
- 14. The CDOT Chief Engineer reviews the good faith efforts.
- 15. Decision Item: Does the CDOT Chief Engineer determine that the bidder has demonstrated good faith efforts?
  - If no, CDOT cannot award the contract to the bidder. The CDOT Contracts Unit determines how to proceed, and the process ends.
  - If yes, go to step 10. The Civil Rights Business Resource Center approves the utilization plan in B2GNow (Figure 3-8). Notification will then be sent to CDOT personnel informing them that the utilization plan is approved. A utilization plan will be created in pdf format and uploaded into the documents of B2GNow. The process ends.