

PARTNERING PROGRAM

NOTICE

This is a standard special provision that revises or modifies CDOT's *Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction*. It has gone through a formal review and approval process and has been issued by CDOT's Project Development Branch with formal instructions for its use on CDOT construction projects. It is to be used as written without change. Do not use modified versions of this special provision on CDOT construction projects, and do not use this special provision on CDOT projects in a manner other than that specified in the instructions unless such use is first approved by the Standards and Specifications Unit of the Project Development Branch. The instructions for use on CDOT construction projects appear below.

Other agencies which use the *Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction* to administer construction projects may use this special provision as appropriate and at their own risk.

Instructions for use on CDOT construction projects:

Use this standard special provision on all projects.

The designer should add a Planned Force Account, Item 700-70011, F/A Partnering, to the plans and project special provisions to account for costs associated with the partnering process.

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The Colorado Department of Transportation actively encourages partnering and invites the Contractor and his subcontractors and suppliers to participate in a voluntary partnering agreement for this project.

The following information summarizes the partnering process. More information is available through the Resident Engineer listed in the project special provisions.

This partnership will be structured to draw on the strengths of each organization to identify and achieve mutual goals. The objectives are effective and efficient Contract performance with reciprocal cooperation, and completion within budget, on schedule, and in accordance with the Contract.

This partnership will be bilateral in make-up and all costs associated with this partnership will be agreed to by both parties and will be shared equally. The Contractor shall assume full responsibility for all costs associated with partnering during the implementation of the partnering process. CDOT will reimburse the Contractor for the agreed amount.

The CDOT Program Engineer or the Resident Engineer will contact the Contractor within ten days after the award of this project to ask if the Contractor wants to implement this partnership initiative. If the Contractor agrees, the Contractor's on-site project manager shall meet with CDOT's Resident Engineer to plan a partnering development and team building workshop. At this planning session, arrangements shall be made to determine the facilitator and the workshop, attendees, agenda, duration, and location.

The workshop shall be held prior to the commencement of any major work item and preferably before the preconstruction conference. The following persons shall attend the workshop: CDOT's Resident Engineer, Project Engineer, and key project personnel; the Contractor's on-site project manager and key project supervision personnel; and the subcontractors' key project supervision personnel. The following personnel shall also be invited to attend as needed: project design engineer, key local government personnel, suppliers, design consultants, CDOT maintenance foreman, CDOT environmental manager, key railroad personnel, and key utility personnel. The Contractor and CDOT shall also have Regional or District managers and Corporate or State level managers on the partnering team.

Follow-up workshops may be held periodically throughout the duration of the Contract as agreed by the Contractor and the Engineer at the initial workshop. A closeout workshop shall be held to evaluate the effectiveness of the partnership.

The establishment of a partnership charter, which identifies the workshop participants' mutual goals on the project, will not change the legal relationship of the parties to the Contract or relieve either party from any terms of the Contract.