



To: Titus County Commissioners Court  
From: Jennie N. Taraborelli  
Date: June 24, 2013  
RE: Titus County Pass-Through Program Status Report

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## MEMORANDUM

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### **Status**

To keep the Titus County Commissioners Court fully updated as to the progress of the Titus County Pass-Through Program, PTP Transportation (PTP) offers the following status report.

### **Contract Administration**

#### *US 271*

All Subcontractors insurances are up to date. Highway Pavement Specialties, Indus Construction, LP (DBE), Southwest Environmental, Interstate Barricades and Markings, Lone Star Barrier Services, LLC, Mica Corp, North Texas Contracting, RK Hall Construction, Ltd, Site Safe Products, TJ Lambrecht Construction, Texas Traffic Control Systems, Trevway and Williams Brothers Construction Company are all currently working on the project. PTP has received all DBE reports for April and, to date, Williams Brothers has met 50% of the DBE goal. All-Certified Payrolls have been received through the June 7, 2013 payroll. Per the last pay estimate, the project is 80.04% complete in terms of the money paid to Williams Brothers. Williams Brothers have been paid through May 25, 2013 and copies of the pay estimates through May 2013 have been forwarded over to TxDOT.

#### *FM 2348*

All Subcontractors insurances are up to date. H. H. Howard and Sons, JW Payne, RK Hall, Southwest Environmental, Striping Technologies (DBE), TexOp Construction and Panola Sign and Barricade are all currently working on the project. All Certified Payrolls have been received

through June 2, 2013. At this time, the DBE report for May has been received and H.H. Howard has met approximately 32% of the DBE goal to date. Howard has been paid through May 25, 2013 and TxDOT has received copies of all pay estimates through May 2013. Per the last estimate, the project is 69.85 % complete in terms of the money paid to H.H. Howard and Sons.

Titus County and PTP have been notified by the Office of Civil Right Contract Compliance Division of TxDOT that the FM 2348 project will be undergoing an Equal Opportunity Compliance Review. The contractor, HH Howard, has been notified and has asked for an extension of time to prepare for this review. TxDOT has granted a one week extension and the initial review will begin on July 2. This review is a standard review and the FM 2348 project was chosen for review by the Local Government Projects group.

#### ***FM 4000***

All Subcontractors insurances are up to date for all approved contractors. James Construction Group, Southwest Environmental Services and FBL and Associates are all currently working on the project. All Certified Payrolls have been received through June 2, 2013. At this time, the DBE report for May has been received. James Construction has been paid through May 25, 2013 and TxDOT has received copies of all pay estimates through May 2013. Per the last estimate, the project is 0.057 % complete in terms of the money paid to James Construction Group.

### **Environmental**

#### ***US 271***

The Annual Monitoring Report for the ghost tanks at the former Cameron Auto Salvage site has been submitted to TCEQ. Included with this report is a site closure request. The plume is not showing signs of migration, has not extended toward the outer monitoring wells. TCEQ should provide either concurrence with the closure request or recommend further action within 30 days.

#### ***FM 4000***

All migratory bird nests within the Right-of-Way have been vacated, and the contractor has been given clearance to remove the previously designated trees.

### **Engineering**

#### ***US 271***

PTP is working to finalize Change Order 10. This Change Order covers asphalt used for tie-ins to existing roadways, credit for using uncoated reinforcing steel for bridge rail, and for signage

revisions. PTP has requested a revised proposal from the subcontractor for 36" drill shafts. Once that is received, the finalized Change Order will be routed through TxDOT to secure approval prior to be presented to Commissioners Court.

### *FM 2348*

PTP is working to finalize Change Order 2. This Change Order 2 covers storm drainage revisions, providing grass overseeding to achieve required vegetative covering, and concrete removal along US 67. Grass proposal was received on June 19 and is being packaged for review by the contractor and TxDOT.

## **Construction**

### *US 271 (Contract Duration: 663 days allowed/445 days charged through June 20)*

Williams Brothers (WB) continues working on all aspects of the project. Below are bullet items describing such work being performed:

- The removal of the existing asphalt on the north bound main lanes (milling operation) on the south end of US 271 is completed.
- Retaining Walls #1, #2, #3 and #4 (between CR 2040 and CR 4530) and Retaining Wall #5 are complete. This completes the setting of all retaining wall panels on the project.
- Bridge construction is well underway at Wetland #2, FM 899, UPRR, FM 127, FM 1000, CR 2040 and SW 48(CR 4530). There are currently two Structure Crews working.
  - **WETLAND #2** – Substructure (Piles, Abuts and Caps) are complete. Concrete bridge beams have been set for both northbound frontage roads (NBFR) and southbound frontage roads (SBFR). Currently, the crews are setting precast concrete panels on the northbound bridge and are scheduled to pour late next week.
  - **FM 899** – Substructure (Shafts, Columns, Caps and Abutments) are complete and the concrete bridge beams are scheduled to be hung towards the end of June.
  - **UPRR** – Substructure (Shafts, Columns, Caps and Abutments) are complete and the concrete bridge beams are scheduled to be hung sometime in July.
  - **FM 127** – Substructure (Shafts, Columns, Caps and Abutments) are complete and the concrete bridge beams are in place. **NOTE! The bridge decks for both NBFR and SBFR have been poured.**
  - **FM 1000** - Substructure (Shafts, Columns, Caps and Abutments) are complete and the concrete bridge beams are in place. **NOTE! The bridge deck has been poured.**
  - **CR 2040** – Substructure (Shafts, Columns, Caps and Abutments) are complete and the concrete bridge beams are in place for Spans #1, #2, #6, #7, and #8. WB

- is scheduled to hang the steel girders over the UPRR railroad and US 271 in July.  
**NOTE! Spans # 7 and #8 have been poured for CR 2040.**
- **SW 48 (CR 4530)** – Substructure (Shafts, Columns, Caps and Abutments) are complete and the concrete bridge beams are in place. **NOTE! The bridge deck has been poured.**
- **NOTE!** The contractor has begun tying steel for the concrete rails on the completed bridge decks.
- Lime, Cement Stabilized Base and Bond Breaker have been placed on approximately 95% of the main lanes and frontage roads, except for Phase II on the north end which is scheduled to begin sometime in July.
- Storm Sewer work is 85% complete. Construction of all storm sewer for Phase I is complete. Currently crews are installing the storm sewer for Phase II on the north end of project. The only remaining storm sewer work after Phase II will be to facilitate the completion of a few driveways.
- Concrete Pile for the retaining wall at Wetland #10 (Priefert's Pond) is complete. The footing and retaining wall have been poured. Contractor has started on the construction of the NBFR in this area.
- There is currently one Slip Form Concrete Paving Crew and one Hand Paving Crew on the project.
  - Slip Form Crew - The slip form paving crew is currently pouring paving on the NBFR at the South end of the project and the SBFR at FM 1000. The Main Lane concrete paving is approximately 90% complete from the south end to the north end of the project.
  - The hand paving crew is currently paving the NBFR at FM 3417 and SW 48 on the south end of the project. This crew is also pouring concrete driveways on the NBFR on the south end of the project.
- TJ Lambrecht has completed approximately 99% of the embankment on the project. Excavation stands at about 90%, with most of the remaining excavation to be performed on the very north end of the project, between US 67 and IH 30 in Phase II. This excavation and the removal of concrete and asphalt have begun in Phase II.
- Trevway has poured the sloped paving under FM 1000, CR 2040, SW 48 and FM 127. They are currently pouring Rip Rap slope paving at FM 899 and at Wetland #2.

### ***Traffic Control***

- The traffic on US 271 on the north end of the project has been shifted onto the new concrete paving to allow for the construction of Phase II.
- The concrete paving on the main lanes of FM 127 is complete and was reopened on February 26<sup>th</sup>. FM 899 was closed on February 27<sup>th</sup> and has already been excavated, limed, based and some asphalt paving. FM 899 should be reopened sometime in late July early September.

- PTP is revising the TCP in order to place all north and south bound traffic on the northbound frontage road on the south end of the project. This would close the current lanes to allow the hanging of the steel girders at CR 2040. This is scheduled to happen mid July.
- FM 3417 traffic has been switched to the south side and Phase II construction has begun on the north phase of FM 3417.
- Traffic is tentatively scheduled to be switched on July 10 on the south end of the project.

### ***Utility Updates***

#### AT&T –

- Lines @ STA 106+00 – Completed

#### AEP Transmission--

- Line @ STA 116+50 – Completed.
- Line at STA 165+00 – Completed.

#### Center Point Gas –

- Line @ STA 106+00 – Completed.

#### City of Mt. Pleasant –

- Sewer Line @ STA 101+35 – Completed.
- Water Line @ STA 104+00 – Completed.

#### Electric services

- Coordination is ongoing to provide power for illumination poles throughout the project.

### ***FM 2348 (Contract Duration: 383 days allowed/294 days charged through June 25)***

H.H. Howard and Sons along with their subconsultants continue to make progress on the FM 2348 project. Below are bullet items describing such work being performed.

- Drainage Structures, Embankment, Lime/Fly Ash and the 2<sup>nd</sup> lift of Base material are completed on the new FM 2348 from SH 49 to US 67.
- The Contractor has completed the prime coat and is currently placing the 1<sup>st</sup> course of surface treatment from US 49 to the south side UPRR overpass.
- The substructure (Shafts, Columns, Caps and Abutments) for UPRR are complete. The concrete bridge beams are hung and the pre-stressed concrete panels have been set. The bridge deck has been poured and is completed. Contractor is currently tying steel and pouring bridge rail on UPRR.
- The construction of the Storm Sewer and Lime/Fly Ash for Phase I along US 67 is complete.
- R. K. Hall has completed the placement of Curb and Gutter and Asphalt paving along US 67 in Phase I. Traffic has been switch – see below.

- Sub-Contractor for H. H. Howard, Striping Technology, has installed the warning signs for the intersection of FM 1001 and FM 2348, poured the drill shafts for the signal poles at US 67 and at SH 49. The signal poles for SH 49 have been installed and this intersection should be in operation sometime in July.
- Mowing of the winter grass has begun and the placement of the permanent seed is in progress.

### ***Traffic Control***

- The traffic on US 67 has been switch to the south side of US 67 and is still in two lanes. This allowed for the start of the Phase II construction which is well under way. Storm sewer work is almost complete. Phase II construction is scheduled to be complete sometime in July.

### ***FM 4000 (Contract Duration: 383 days allowed/29 days charged through June 20)***

James Construction Group has started construction on the FM 4000 project. Below are bullet items describing such work being performed.

- Contractor has completed approximately 90% of Prep ROW (clearing trees) from the US 271 Loop project to FM 1735. The remaining trees restricted due to active nesting of migratory birds were released by PTP Environmental staff and removed from the project.
- Contractor has been placing timber mats for work road at Hart Creek for the construction of the bridge.
- The contractor has informed PTP that excavation equipment will mobilize in July to start the dirt work.
- Contractor continues to submit shop drawings to PTP for approval.
- Contractor has identified the concrete mix designs to be used on project and submitted for approval. This mix design has been used on both US 271 and FM 2348 and approval will be forwarded shortly.