

To:Titus County Commissioners CourtFrom:Mark W. HeidakerDate:September 23, 2013RE:Titus County Pass-Through Program Status Report

# M E M O R A N D U M

## 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

The following contractors are working on the project: Highway Pavement Specialties, Indus Construction, LP (DBE), Southwest Environmental, Interstate Barricades & 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. All certified payrolls have been received through the end of August 2013. The DBE Reports for July have been received and WB has paid approximately 91% of the DBE goal to date. PTP has processed the pay estimate for WB and they have been paid through August 25, 2013. PTP has sent copies of the pay estimates through August 25, 2013 to TxDOT.

### FM 2348

The following Contractors are working on the project: Southwest Environmental, Striping Technologies (DBE), and H.H. Howard & Sons, Inc. All certified payrolls have been received through the end of August 2013. The DBE reports for June have been received and Howard has paid 37.51% of the DBE goal to date. Howard has been paid through July 25, 2013 and all copies of the pay estimate have been forwarded to TxDOT. An Equal Employment Opportunity

Compliance (EEOC) review was conducted of the project records over the past two months. A follow-up field visit was conducted by a compliance office on September 17. While the final report has yet to be received, a debrief with the compliance office confirmed that no deficiencies were noted and the project is in compliance.

#### FM 4000

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The following contractors are working on the project: James Construction Group, Southwest Environmental Services, Jakkeb Construction and FBL & Associates. The certified payrolls have been received up through the end of August 2013. PTP has received the DBE reports for June. James Construction has been paid through August 25, 2013 and PTP has forwarded copies of all pay estimates to TxDOT.

## Engineering

### US 271

Our engineering staff has been working on getting the ROW monuments in place for the project as well as finalizing Change Order #10 which we will bring to the next scheduled Commissioners Court for consideration. Change Order #10 will include costs for additional asphalt transitions on existing 271, credits for using uncoated rebar verses epoxy coated rebar on the bridge railing, revisions to the project signage throughout the entire project and exchanging temporary grass items that will no longer be used for the addition of seed to be used with another item to provide cool and warm seed as on application. After all this is tabulated, this will be a zero cost change order to Titus County based on the credits from sign revisions, grass exchange and rebar credits.

### FM 2348

At this time, ROW monuments are being placed by KL Kilgore for final acceptance from TxDOT. Our staff is currently working with the engineers to have the ROW map updated based on TxDOT final acceptance criteria and the title company has about half the parcels reviewed and working on the final title policy for transfer of all the right of way over to TxDOT.

#### FM 4000

Currently the ROW monuments are scheduled to be placed after the FM 2348 job is completed assuming that they will be out of the way of construction. CR 4710 will be closed soon with a very short detour to access FM 1735 to allow for subgrade and base operations to proceed.

# Environmental

### US 271

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Mr. Terry Plucker, PTP Environmental Affairs Associate informed staff that the monitoring wells have been pulled at the former Cameron Auto Salvage Site. The final paperwork for the closure will be filled this week allowing Titus County to close out this part of the project.

### FM 2348

Mr. Plucker is on site today performing an evaluation on the project for termination of the storm water and the USACE permit which is a requirement under the Pass Through Program.

## Construction

### US 271

Williams Brothers (WB) continues working on all aspects of the project. Below is a brief description of a work being done on the project in the next couple of weeks.

- On the North end of the project WB has started placing reinforced concrete pavement on the North bound frontage road (NBFR) and US 67 (Phase II). Both the slip form crew and hand crew are in this area working. Once the concrete is placed both crews will resume on to the main lanes filling in the gaps from FM 1000 moving north.
- At this time WB is setting concrete panels on spans #1 & #2 at CR 2040.
- WB is currently setting concrete girders for the bridge over the Blackland Railroad on US 271.
- WB has completed the concrete paving at FM 899 and is working to have this road open by next week.

### FM 2348

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

- This project is very close to completion. Currently H.H. Howard is working on the punch list items and is scheduled to be completed by the end of this week.
- The signal at FM 2348 and SH 49 is now in full operation and no longer just flashing.

### FM 4000

James Construction Group continues to make progress on the FM 4000 project along with their sub-consultants. Below are bullet items describing such work being performed.

- At this time, most of the dirt work East of Hart Creek is complete and at this time they are balancing areas for the subgrade.
- James Construction is busy removing existing slabs and roadways on the west end of the project to prepare for the earthwork.
- Traffic Control:
  - Tennison road is now completely closed to all through traffic.

## Utilities

#### FM 4000

At this time, the utility department is wrapping up the last couple of utilities to get them relocated and out of the way for construction. Currently, AT&T has 3 conflicts in question that they are scheduled to have completed by October 1, 2013. Also, the City of Mount Pleasant has a few conflicts that they have been working on relocating and they to believe they can have this completed by October 1, 2013 as well. The last conflict that PTP is working on is the lowering of the Water, Gas and Cable on Parcel 9, Willmon property, and we have a contractor scheduled to lower the lines at the ditch area thus removing any conflict this week.