



To: Titus County Commissioners Court  
From: Mark W. Heidaker  
Date: May 27, 2014  
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 certified payrolls have been received through the end of April 2014. The DBE Reports have been received and WB has paid approximately 128% of the DBE goal to date. PTP has processed the pay estimate for WB and they have been paid through April 25, 2014. PTP has sent copies of the pay estimates through April 25, 2014 to TxDOT.

#### ***FM 1000***

The certified payrolls have been received up through the end of April 2014. PTP has received the DBE reports for February 2014 and James Construction has paid out 51% of their DBE commitment. James Construction has been paid through April 25, 2014 and PTP has forwarded copies of all pay estimates to TxDOT as of the last pay estimate.

### ***FM 2348***

PTP and Judge Lee along with Commissioner Riddle met with the TxDOT Atlanta District and turned over all necessary documents per the Pass Through Agreement for its final submittal on May 5, 2014.

## **Construction**

### **US 271 Project-Williams Brothers Construction Company**

\$70,567,236.37 Paid To Date (Including MOH) (95.10%) - **NOTE!** Percentage includes force account.

663 Days Contract Time

104 Day Time Extension

767 Days Contract Time

727 Days Charged (thru 05/23) (94.78%)

40 Days Remaining

#### **FORCE ACCOUNT:**

- Contractor continues to work on the force account. They currently have all the Bridge beams back in place except for two spans at the UPRR railroad. The contractor is having a difficult time getting more than a three hour window from the rail road to set the beams. We are in constant contact with the railroad to try and expedite this work to complete the hanging of the beams.
- WB is also in the process of removing the existing concrete paving and placing embankment on the north side of CR 2040.
- The force account is scheduled to be complete sometime next month and the bridge will be back to the stage of completion it was before PTP had instructed WB to cease all efforts on the bridge.
- As of May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2014 the amount billed towards the force account was approximately \$1.3 million.

#### **CONTRACT ITEMS:**

- The slip form paving crew returned and is completing all the remaining concrete paving. They are also pouring the remaining driveway.
- WB is currently pouring the entire remaining concrete rip rap on the project.
- Southwest Environmental is seeding all areas in need of seed.
- The rail crew is scheduled for next month to start pouring the remaining concrete rail.
- Paint crew will be in next month to begin painting the bridges that are able to be painted even though a couple of bridges will have to wait for the nesting birds to leave the affected area.
- WB is currently working on the North end punch list for TxDOT acceptance.

## FM 1000 – James Construction Group

\$10,026,949.31 paid to date (Including MOH) (53.19%)

383 Days Contract time

279 Days Charged (thru 05/23) (72.84%)

104 Days remaining –

### CONTRACT ITEMS:

- Dirt Crew:
  - Working on FM 1735 detour and hauling embankment to the west header of UPRR Bridge.
  - Bridge crew continues to pour the concrete decks on Hart Creek and is scheduled to be complete with all pours on Hart Creek in two weeks.
  - Concrete paving crew has begun pouring concrete paving for phase I on US 271 and FM 1000 intersection.
  - Retaining wall crew continues to place cement stabilized sand and panels for retaining walls at UPRR.

\*The contractor has stated they plan to start working 24 hours a day on the retaining walls and hire two additional dirt crews to speed up the project schedule.

### Additional Items:

- Judge Lee, Commissioner Fields and PTP staff met with James Construction to discuss the lack of progress on the FM 1000 project. At the meeting we discussed ways to try to improve production and the lack of staff on the project. Pat Plueneke, Area Manager for James Construction along with Scott Pickett, Construction Manager of James Construction stated they would do everything they could to try and make the deadline of completion. The PTP staff has some concerns with the time left but if the right staff and personnel are brought on the project it is possible.
- Last week, Tom Anderson, a PTP Inspector on the FM 1000 project took seven \$100 dollar bills out of his pocket and loaned it to the Pug Mill crew for James Construction which allowed them to order the part to get the pug mill back into operation.