

**IDOT PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENT DETERMINATION**

To: Omer Osman, Acting Secretary

From: Masood Ahmad, Region 2 Engineer

Date: March 19, 2021

Re: FAS 2247, IL 26 (S) in Princeton to IL 89 (N) in Spring Valley, Contract Number 66A96, Bureau County

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In accordance with the Project Labor Agreement Act (30 ILCS 571), it is recommended that a project labor agreement (PLA) be utilized for the above-captioned Project. This recommendation is based on the considerations indicated below.

- 1) The Project is being awarded and administered by IDOT (i.e., not by another governmental agency).
- 2) The Project is being constructed using state or local funds only (i.e., no federal funds).
- 3) The overall size, scope, sequencing, logistics or other aspects of the Project make it particularly challenging to manage and use of a PLA is expected to help assure that the construction work is performed properly and efficiently under the circumstances.
- 4) The duration of construction activity on the Project is expected to exceed one construction season (i.e., 110 or more working days), or the nature of the Project results in a heightened need for labor force continuity and stability over a substantial period of time.
- 5) There is a firm construction completion date established for the Project thereby increasing the adverse consequences of any work stoppage or other labor disruption.
- 6) The time required to complete the Project is expected to extend beyond the expiration date of one or more existing collective bargaining agreements covering trades likely to be involved in the Project, thereby increasing the likelihood of work stoppage(s) or other labor disruption(s) during construction of the Project.
- 7) In the absence of a PLA, there is an increased likelihood of jurisdictional disputes among unions or of conflict between unionized and non-unionized workers on the Project that could have a potentially material adverse effect on the time, cost, or quality of work performed on the Project.
- 8) This project presents specific safety concerns to the traveling public and a PLA, will ensure labor force continuity and stability, decreasing the length of the safety concern.
- 9) Use of a PLA is expected to result in improved access to skilled labor, improved efficiency, or improved safety performance on the Project.

10) Use of a PLA on the Project is not expected to have a material adverse effect on the competitive bidding process.

11) Use of a PLA on the Project is not expected to have a material adverse effect on the ability of the Department to achieve other Departmental goals (e.g., utilization of disadvantaged businesses, utilization of Illinois domiciled businesses, development of competitive vendor alternatives over time, etc.).


12) There are other material considerations favoring or disfavoring use of a PLA on this Project as follows:

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Based upon the identified considerations, we recommend that you approve use of a PLA on this Project. Upon your approval, the Department shall undertake to negotiate in good faith a PLA with the relevant labor organization(s) and shall include in all necessary bid specifications and other documents, information regarding the actual or form of PLA that is binding upon all contractors and their employees.

Agreed:   
{Division Chief} (Date)

Agreed:  5/20/21  
Jack Elston, Bureau of Design & Environment (Date)

Agreed:  03-19-2021  
Masood Ahmad, Region 2 Engineer (Date)

Approved:  6/02/21  
Omer Osman, Acting Secretary (Date)

FHWA concurrence in the PLA for the above mentioned contract

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Division Administrator, FHWA (Date)

**Attachment A:**

Justification for the use of a Project Labor Agreement for Contract 66A96 within Bureau County. The use of a Project Labor Agreement on this project is consistent with all state and local statutory requirements.

The work involves the resurfacing of US 6 from IL 26 (S) in Princeton to IL 89 (N) in Spring Valley. Also included in the project is milling the pavement, culvert repairs, and roadside safety improvements.

The programmed project cost is \$6,000,000.

The estimated time to complete the work is 65 working days.

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The proposed work will include safety improvements to address outdated safety hardware. The presence of slowed or stopped traffic on the roadway is a safety concern due to the increased probability of a high severity crash. Any disruption to the contractor's schedule due to labor issues may result in additional hardship to the traveling public because of additional time they will have to drive through a construction work zone.

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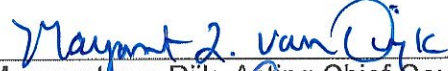
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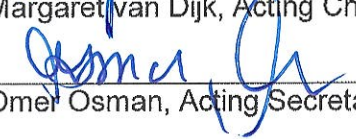
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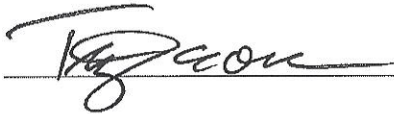
Margaret van Dijk, Acting Chief Counsel



Omer Osman, Acting Secretary

4/02/21  
(Date)

**Illinois AFL-CIO Statewide Project Labor Agreement Committee, representing the  
Unions listed below:**



5/14/2021  
(Date)

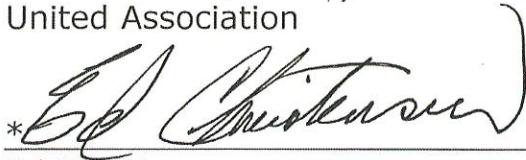
List Unions:



Jim Allen  
Bricklayers



William P. Meyers Jr.  
United Association



\*Ed Christensen  
Elevator Constructors



Ryan Anderson  
IUPAT



Pat Gleason  
Teamsters



Terrence Healy  
LIUNA



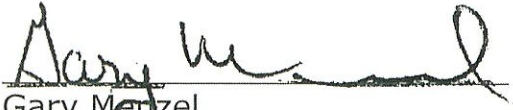
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Workers



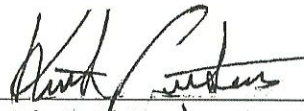
Gary Menzel  
Roofers & Waterproofers



Paul Noble  
IBEW



Robert Paddock  
IUOE



Keith Jutkins  
Carpenters



Daniel M. Ahern  
Sheet Metal Workers



Eric S. Davis  
Boilermakers

\*Elevator Constructors master agreement language  
must be attached to PLA