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**SUBJECT:** Various Routes  
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Various Counties  
Contract No. 64V02  
Item No. 42, January 16, 2026 Letting  
Addendum A

## NOTICE TO PROSPECTIVE BIDDERS:

Attached is an addendum to the plans or proposal. This addendum involves revised and/or added material.

1. Revised the Schedule of Prices.
2. Revised the Table of Contents to the Special Provisions.
3. Revised pages 4-5 of the Special Provisions.
4. Revised sheet 3 of the Plans.

Prime contractors must utilize the enclosed material when preparing their bid and must include any changes to the Schedule of Prices in their bid.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jack A. Elston".

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## BRIDGE DECK CONCRETE SEALER

Effective: June 17, 2010

Revised: July 1, 2012

Description: This work shall consist of the surface preparation and application of a concrete sealer or protective coat upon the entire top surface of the deck and the tops and inside vertical faces of the parapets of the structure(s), as outlined in the contract.

Materials: Materials shall be according to the following.

Item	Article/Section
(a) Concrete Sealer .....	1026
(b) Protective Coat .....	1023

Concrete sealers shall be penetrating sealers from the Department's approved list of concrete sealers.

## CONSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS

General: Surfaces which are to be sealed shall be thoroughly cleaned by brooming and blowing off with high pressure air. Mechanical scraping may also be required to assist in the removal of mud and other foreign material. The use of chemicals and other cleaning compounds to facilitate the removal of foreign materials shall be approved by the manufacturer or its representative before use. Traffic shall not be allowed on the cleaned surface prior to treatment. Cleaning and application equipment shall be fitted with suitable traps, filters, drip pans, and other devices in order to prevent oil and other foreign material from being deposited on the surface.

Deck drains shall be temporarily plugged before the bridge deck concrete sealer is applied to control run off. The material used to plug the drains shall be removed and disposed of upon the completion of the sealing treatment.

Existing pavement markings shall be temporarily covered prior to the application of the bridge deck concrete sealer. The temporary covering material used shall be such that it will not affect the marking's retroreflectivity when removed. After application of the bridge deck concrete sealer and prior to opening to traffic, all temporary coverings shall be removed.

For new concrete, sealing shall be performed after all grinding and/or saw cut grooving is completed and before the deck is marked and open to traffic.

The concrete surface moisture condition state shall be dry. Pavement moisture shall be checked by the following procedure. Tape the edges of a square foot of plastic to the pavement surface. Allow the plastic to stand for 15 minutes. After 15 minutes, observe the plastic for drops of moisture. If moisture is present and the drop sizes are larger than a pencil eraser, the pavement moisture is too high and bridge deck concrete sealer shall not be applied. Do not apply when inclement weather is anticipated within 12 hours.

Bridge deck surfaces shall be flooded using a distribution sprayer, roller, brush or broom. Distribution sprayers shall include a skirting system to control overspray. Material shall be brushed or squeegeed for even distribution. When two applications are required, let the surface absorb the sealer and follow-up immediately with a second application before the surface dries; wet on wet method. Redistribute any puddles or free standing material. The bridge deck concrete sealer shall be applied according to the manufacturer's instructions, and information provided on the approved list of concrete sealers. The final total coverage rate shall not exceed 400 sqft. /gal.

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Traffic will be allowed on the deck only after a treated area does not track.

Method of Measurement: The quantity shall be the actual coverage area in Square Foot of surfaces treated and shall include all surface preparation, material, and application costs.

Basis of Payment: Payment for completed work shall be made at the contract unit price per Square Foot for BRIDGE DECK CONCRETE SEALER.

## **AUTOMATED FLAGGER ASSISTANCE DEVICES (BDE)**

Effective: January 1, 2008

Revised: April 1, 2023

Description. This work shall consist of furnishing and operating automated flagger assistance devices (AFADs) as part of the work zone traffic control and protection for two-lane highways where two-way traffic is maintained over one lane of pavement in segments where no sideroads or entrances require deployment of additional flaggers. Use of these devices shall be at the option of the Contractor.

Equipment. AFADs shall be the STOP/SLOW or Red/Yellow Lens type mounted on a trailer or moveable cart meeting the requirements of the MUTCD and NCHRP 350 or MASH 2016, Category 4.

General. AFADs shall be placed at each end of the traffic control, where a flagger is shown on the plans. The AFAD shall be setup within five degrees of vertical.

Flagger symbol signs as shown on the plans shall be replaced with "BE PREPARED TO STOP" signs when the AFAD is in operation.

Personal communication devices shall not be used to operate the AFAD.

Flagging Requirements. Flaggers and flagging requirements shall be according to Article 701.13 of the Standard Specifications and the following.

Each AFAD shall be operated by a flagger trained to operate the specific AFAD to be deployed. A minimum of two flaggers shall be on site at all times during operation. Each flagger shall be positioned outside the lane of traffic and near each AFAD's location.

Flagging equipment required for traditional flagging shall be available near each AFAD location in the event of AFAD equipment malfunction/failure.

For nighttime flagging, the AFAD and flagger shall be illuminated according to Article 701.13 of the Standard Specifications.

When not in use, AFADs will be considered non-operating equipment and shall be stored according to Article 701.11 of the Standard Specifications.

Basis of Payment. This work will not be paid for separately but shall be considered as included in the cost of the various traffic control items included in the contract.

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