New Bid Preparation Software Required for Prime Contractors

A new bid preparation software (AASHTOWare Project Bids) will be required starting **Nov. 4, 2016**. AASHTOWare Project Bids software is what you will use to prepare your bids.

You will be required to create a new Digital ID, which will be used to bid with all states using the new software. If you currently have an active Info Tech Digital ID for Michigan DOT (MIDOT), you will be reimbursed for the cost of creating the new Digital ID for bidding. You will also be required to submit a one-time-only request to bid with MIDOT through the Bid Express service (this request to bid does not replace the required 1381 form, “Request for Eligibility to Bid,” required for each letting).

If you have a new, approved Digital ID and have already installed the AASHTOWare Project Bids Bid component to bid with another state, submit a request to bid with MIDOT through the Bid Express service. If you have not yet installed the AASHTOWare Project Bids Bid component to bid with another state, you will need to do so as soon as possible.

You will not be able to submit a bid for the **Nov. 4, 2016**, and subsequent bid lettings until you have completed the following:

- Download the Bid component of AASHTOWare Project Bids
- Create a new Digital ID (if not already created to bid with another state)
- Submit a Request to Bid with MIDOT through the Bid Express service

To ensure you will be able to successfully submit a bid on Nov. 4, 2016, complete the steps above no later than **Oct. 21, 2016**. You are still required to submit a 1381 and a 1300EZ form for every MIDOT bid letting. For lettings prior to Nov. 4, 2016, Expedite Bid software and your existing Digital ID will be used.

For more specific information, visit the Contractor Announcements section of MDOT’s Bid Letting Information page at [http://mdotcf.state.mi.us/public/bids/](http://mdotcf.state.mi.us/public/bids/).
Have You Completed an MDOT Vendor Availability Questionnaire?

Companies bidding on Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) prime contracts, and bidding or quoting subcontracts (including contractors, truckers, material suppliers and service providers/consultants) should complete the MDOT Vendor Availability Questionnaire (Form 0168A).

This form should be submitted annually, and is used to help MDOT comply with federal regulation 49CFR 26.11 (c), which requires MDOT to maintain a list of firms bidding on prime contracts and bidding or quoting subcontracts on DOT-assisted projects.

To download the questionnaire, visit: http://mdotcf.state.mi.us/public/webforms/public/0168A.pdf.

Friday, Oct. 7, MDOT Letting:

Just a few of the projects scheduled for this bid letting:

- 61121-123847 - Muskegon County - 5%
- 15029-122112 - Charlevoix County - 4%
- 81075-115398 - Livingston/Washtenaw Counties - 8%
- 73073-124337 - Saginaw County - 5%
- 11015-119672 - Berrien County - 5%
- 82457-131361 - Wayne County - 5%
- 50458-127313 - Macomb County - 3%
- 80555-127133 - Van Buren County - 5%

FTA Contracting

Bus transit and planning agencies post bid opportunities at:
www.michigan.gov/mucp
Notices are posted as needed, so check often!

To view all projects on the October letting schedule:

DBE Website: www.michigan.gov/mdotdb

To find construction project work classification details, go to
www.michigan.gov/mdotdb
- Select Letting (from drop-down menu)
- Select Letting Date
- Click “Go”
- To identify potential prime contractors, check the Eligible Bidders list before submitting a bid.

Direct questions to: 866-DBE-1264 (Lansing)
Welcome to the Community!

*Congratulations to all of our newly certified DBEs.*

Architectural Design Concepts

Architectural Southwest Stone Company LLC

Bocra Holdings, LLC, dba Infinity Investigative Solutions

DES Wholesale, LLC

Global Gateway Concessions North America, LLC

JKB & Associates

Kolar Design, Inc.

Piper & Gold LLC

Traffic Signs, Inc.

Wotko, LLC

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**In Other News...**

“In Other News” is a new addition to the newsletter that is designed to provide a little off-road information. Topics may vary from comedy to history, but are intended to give our readers some levity to your reading. This edition’s section highlights the October Big Ten football schedule. Expect heavy traffic during these events.

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