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DBE Goal Methodology

The Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facilities (DOT&PF) proposes an overall DBE goal of 8.83% for FHWA-assisted contracts for federal fiscal years (FFY) 2018 - 2020. The overall DBE goal is based on the relative availability of DBEs to perform work on FHWA-assisted contracts, and represents the level of DBE participation that the department expects, absent the effects of discrimination. To establish the overall DBE goal, the department followed the process detailed in 49 CFR Part 26, which includes establishing a base figure for the relative availability of DBEs, adjusting the base figure to account for evidence pertaining to DBE availability, and determining the race-conscious and race-neutral portions of the goal. In calculating the race-conscious and race-neutral split DOT&PF relied primarily on the 2014 DOT&PF Disparity Study, which recommends an entirely race-neutral DBE program for FHWA. Comments regarding the proposed goal and methodology will be collected until July 26, 2017, and may be submitted via the following:

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MAP to Success Application Extension: July 31, 2017

The CRO has extended the application period for the 2017 Map to Success Program to **July, 31, 2017** Close of Business (COB).

What is the Map to Success Specialized Assistance Program?

The Map to Success Specialized Assistance Program is a business development initiative designed to assess a firm's OVERALL business infrastructure by conducting an in-depth analysis review. The review is conducted by a business consultant specializing in construction business development. The program goal is to assist you by highlighting areas of improvement and providing you with the resources to grow your business.

What is the cost? The Map to Success Program is free of charge if selected from the complete application process.

When do I need to apply by? The application process will close end of business (COB) 5:00 PM Alaska Time, **Monday, July 31, 2017**. **Who do I contact for more information?**

You may contact either Matt deLaBruere or Norma M. Lucero. Applications may be sent via fax or emailed to either Matt or Norma. Instructions for the application and submittal are also detailed on the application itself. See contact details below.

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ADOT&PF Procedure Reminder

For prime contractors working on federally-funded projects, please be sure to submit to the DOT&PF CRO Form 25A-336 (Monthly Summary) and all OJT Apprentice forms on a monthly basis. For questions regarding completion and submission of form 25A-336, please contact Adam Marks with the CRO at (907) 269-0846 and OJT forms contact Matt deLaBruere at (907) 269-0850. These forms help expedite the clearance of DBE and OJT clearance for final payment.

Forms

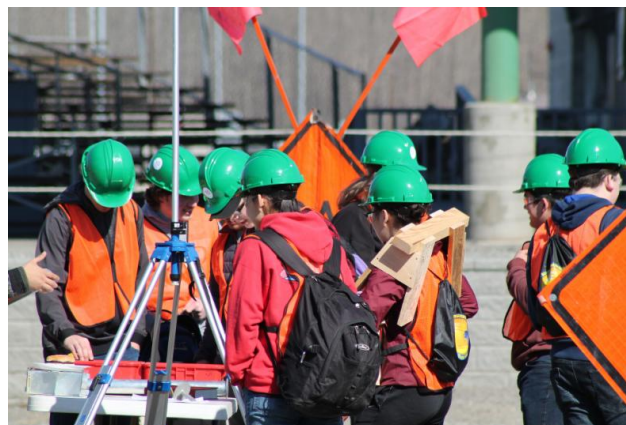
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Alaska Construction Career Day Palmer 2017

The CRO hosted its 10th Alaska Construction Career Day in Palmer on April 22, 2017. A total of 595 students attended from 5 school districts and 25 schools. Again in 2017, ACCD has seen a trend of increased vendor participation with a total of 29 vendors participating. This is up from 26 vendors in 2016. New vendors included; UAA Diesel and Automotive Repair Program, the Dowland-Bach Corporation and the International Brotherhood of Boilermakers.

The CRO would like to thank the following event supporters for contributing to another successful ACCD event: AKA Hauling, AATCA, ADOT&PF Central Region Survey Section, ADOT&PF Maintenance and Operations, AVTEC, Alaska Army National Guard, Alaska Industrial Hardware, Alaska Job Corps, Alaska Laborers Training School, Alaska Pacific Rental, Alaska State Fairgrounds, Alaska Regional Council of Carpenters Local 2520, Alaska Teamster, Alaska Works, Anchorage School District, AOEETT, APICC, Dowland-Bach Corporation, Blaque Ice Productions, DOLWD, Mat-Su Job Center, The Lofts Hotel, International Brotherhood of Boilermakers, International Union of Painters, Mat-Su School District, Valdez City



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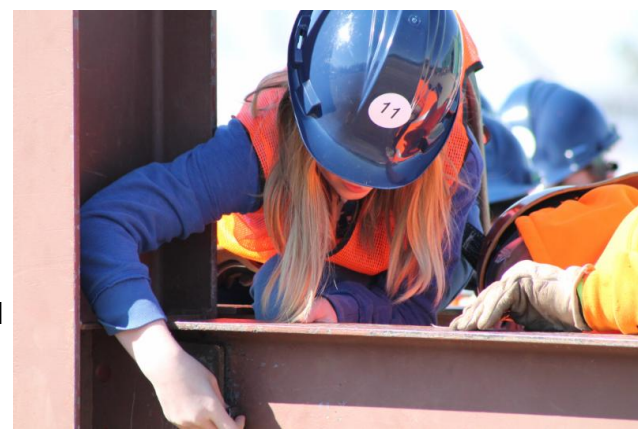
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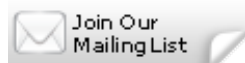
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Schools, Unalaska School District, Chugach School District, NECA IBEW, Northern Industrial Training, SACTC, Safety Inc./Zee Medical, Sheet Metal Workers, of Mat-Su, University of Alaska Mat-Su College and UAA CT College.



The CRO would like to give a special thanks to the trades programs for donating the lunches and especially to the Alaska Iron Workers for volunteering to BBQ the lunches!



CRO and Alaska Works Co-Sponsorship Women in the Trades

The CRO OJT Support Services co-sponsored a Construction Truck Drivers training with Alaska Works Women in the Trades. The course took place June 5 -16, 2017 with a total of 25 applications being received. A total of 6 women completed the course. The CRO plans to continue its co-sponsorship with Women in the Trades for

future classes.



Program Update: American Disabilities with ACT (ADA) Program

The Statewide ADA/Title VI Program Coordinator - Civil Rights personnel have been at the airport ensuring compliance for the Federal Aviation Administration Title VI/ADA. Areas at the airport that have been reviewed are public access, signage, ADA Compliance, parking spaces, curb ramps, sidewalks, and telephone access. In order to ensure compliance the CRO team has conducted interviews with Airport management and also completed walkthroughs with one of the Airport Architects. To assist the ADA Compliance Officer the CRO has formed an ADA Committee composed of local businesses that aid personnel with disability, personnel within the CRO office, and community members. Within the ADA Program we have focused on Ted Stevens International Airport, Fairbanks International Airport, and State of Alaska DOT&PF sites to ensure that pedestrians can access facilities that are all currently in compliance with ADA standards.

Federal-aid Essentials for Local Public Agencies



Quality Assurance Reviews (QARs)

The Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facilities Civil Rights will be conducting its 2017 Quality Assurance Reviews on federally-funded ADOT&PF Construction projects. During the reviews, interviews will be conducted with representatives from DOT&PF, DBE and non-DBE contractors, and OJT program apprentices to identify and address program administration issues and provide guidance for best practices.

Thank you to all contractors, apprentices, and DOT&PF personnel who will take part in the reviews for helping to improve the DBE and OJT programs.

DBE Orientations

On June 22, the ADOT&PF CRO hosted a DBE Orientation for all newly certified DBEs in Alaska. The CRO hosts DBE Orientations each quarter. The CRO hosts DBE Orientations to help firms familiarize themselves with the DBE program and how to navigate the websites as well as how to bid on ADOT&PF projects. The next orientation will occur in September. For more information on the next orientation, please contact Matt deLaBruere at (907) 269-0850.



Call 811 Before you Dig

Nationwide, every 6 minutes an underground utility line is damaged because someone decided to dig without first calling 811.

Alaska has one of the highest rates of damage to underground utility lines in the nation - 3 times the national average for damage to natural gas lines.

The U.S. Department of Transportation, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) wants you to know that if you cause excavation damage to a natural gas or hazardous liquid pipeline in Alaska, you may be subject to federal penalties of up to \$205,638 for each violation for each day the violation continues, with a maximum penalty up to \$2,056,380 for a related series of violations.

Alaska State Law requires excavators to give notice of proposed excavation so facility owners can mark the location of their facilities. This is for your safety, the safety of those around you and to protect the buried infrastructure. Calling 811 does not cost you, the excavator any money.

To avoid enforcement action make sure you do the following Every Dig, Every Time:

- Call Before You Dig
- Wait the required time
- Respect the Marks
- Obey the Tolerance Zone
- Dig Safely

For more information and the answers to some FAQ's can be found at <https://phmsa.dot.gov/pipeline/safety-awareness-and-outreach/excavator-enforcement#>.

Call 811 before you dig. The service is free. A broken utility line can be very expensive.

CRO New Employees

Rashaud Joseph

Please welcome Rashaud Joseph to the CRO. Rashaud is the new Civil Rights Office Title VI Specialist/ADA Coordinator.

Rashaud came to Alaska in 2005 as a part of the 4/25th Airborne Brigade after a tour of duty in Iraq where he received two Purple Heart Awards. After earning his Associates' degree in Welding and Non-Destructive Testing, he entered the Oil & Gas Industry as a pipeline/welding compliance inspector and client interface manager. While working on the North Slope, Gulf Coast, and Australia he completed his Bachelor's degree of Science and Technology, also at UAA. He will complete his Master's degree in Organizational Management/Program Management in Spring of 2018. He has a passion for championing safety and in his free time enjoys spending time with his new (5-month-old) daughter and wife, cross-country skiing, physical fitness, and shooting. He is looking forward to being part of the Civil Rights Office team.

Angelo Tutaan

Please welcome Angelo Tutaan to the CRO. Angelo is the new Civil Rights Office Certification Specialist.

Angelo was born and raised in Anchorage, AK. He studied finance and hospitality management at the University of Alaska. Angelo is passionate about Alaska, and enjoys fishing in the summer and skiing in the winter.

The ADOT&PF operates Federal Programs without regard to race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability. Full Title VI Nondiscrimination Policy: dot.alaska.gov/tvi_statement.shtml. To file a complaint go to: dot.alaska.gov/cv/lrts/titlevi.shtml