

# MoDOT/Industry COVID-19 Weekly Meeting Minutes

May 27, 2020

## Action Items from May 13, 2020 Meeting:

1. **Summary provided of the Heroes Act and AASHTO Briefing** – Web links provided in May 13<sup>th</sup> minutes.

## Agenda Items:

**Expiration of Federal Transportation Bill** – The current bill ends Sept 30, 2020. At this point it is unlikely that a new bill will be introduced, and a continuing resolution would be put in place.

**Status of AASHTO Backstop Request** – Thanks to all the associations that have provided support and communicated with our legislators. The backstop approach does not appear to be making any progress, but there is talk about eliminating/reducing the state match component. This would help the states in securing their federal reimbursements by not requiring as much state funds.

**Social distancing** - We need to continue reinforcing this with our workers. We have seen positive results thus far and we don't want to relapse and potentially impact the ability to work.

- At this time, MoDOT has \$1.5B under contract with approximately \$1B of remaining work to complete.
- For the May 1-May 15 estimate period, MoDOT paid out \$41M to our contractors. This has resulted in \$82M more in contractor payments this year than the same time in 2019.
- Project budgets are on track with the FY2020 closeouts to date finishing within 0.2% of the award amounts.
- Projects closed out have been completed 89% on time.

**Governor's budget restrictions** – More withholdings are expected to be announced this week. For MoDOT, the general revenue funds programs could be at risk.

**Status of lettings** – FY2020 will close with over \$1B in contractor awards. This is the first time since 2010.

- June's letting has an estimated value of \$20m
- No July letting.
- The Aug./Sept./Oct. Tentative letting schedule is posted, but there could be changes depending upon revenue receipts.
- The Buck O'Neal project is progressing but has not been advertised.

**Director's Update:** The traffic report is being changed to reflect seasonal changes versus the comparison to February 2020, just prior to COVID-19. This will be provided when available.

**Roundtable discussion:** No additional items

The next meeting will be on June 10, 2020 at 1:00.