

WALKER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT

1100 University Avenue Huntsville, Texas 77340 936-436-4910



COLT CHRISTIAN

County Judge

DANNY KUYKENDALL Commissioner, Precinct 1

RONNIE WHITE Commissioner, Precinct 2 AGENDA SPECIAL SESSION MONDAY, JANUARY 23, 2023 9:00 A.M. ROOM 104

BILL DAUGETTE Commissioner, Precinct 3

BRANDON DECKER Commissioner, Precinct 4

CALL TO ORDER

- Announcement by the County Judge whether a quorum is present.
- Certification that public Notice of Meeting was given in accordance with the provisions of Section 551.001 et. Seq. of the Texas Government Code.

GENERAL ITEMS

- Prayer Pastor James Necker
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Texas Pledge "Honor the Texas Flag, I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible"
- Citizens Input Agenda Items

CONSENT AGENDA

None

STATUTORY AGENDA

Commissioners Court

- Discuss and take action on using CDBG MIT-MOD grant funds for repairs to the Walker County Storm Shelter. Commissioner Daugette
- 2. Discuss and take action on acquisition of a crack sealing machine. Commissioner Daugette
- 3. Discuss and take action on 30% design submittal of the Courthouse Exterior Improvement project. Commissioner Daugette
- **4.** Discuss and take action on authorizing the County Judge to apply for the TxDOT 2023 Transportation Alternatives Call for Projects funds. Commissioner Daugette

Planning and Development

5. Workshop on Commissioners Court policy for acceptance of roads for county maintenance. – Andy Isbell

EXECUTIVE SESSION

If during the course of the meeting covered by this notice, Commissioners Court shall determine that a closed meeting of the Court is required, then such closed meeting as authorized by Texas Government Code 551, subchapter D, will be held by the Commissioners Court at the date, hour, and place in this notice or as soon after the commencement of the meeting covered by this notice as the Commissioners Court may conveniently meet in such closed meeting concerning any and all subjects and for any and all purposes permitted by Chapter 551, subchapter D, inclusive of said Texas Government Code, including but not limited to:

Section 551.071 For the purpose of private consultation between the Commissioners Court and its attorney when the attorney's advice with respect to pending or contemplated litigation settlement offers, and matters where the duty of the Commissioners Court counsel to his client pursuant to the Code of Professional Responsibility of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the Open Meetings Act.

Section 551.072 For the purpose of discussion with respect to the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property, if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the Commissioners Court in negotiations with a third person

Section 551.073 For the purpose of deliberation regarding prospective gifts or to deliberate a negotiated contract for prospective gift or donation to the Commissioners Court or Walker County, if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the Commissioners Court in negotiations with a third person.

Section 551.074 For the purpose of considering the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee or to hear complaints or charges against a public officer or employee, unless such officer or employee requests a public hearing.

Section 551.076 To discuss the deployment, or specific occasions for implementation of security personnel or devices.

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Section 551.086 Deliberation regarding economic development negotiations.

INFORMATION ITEMS

- Public Comment Non-agenda items
- Questions from the media
- Commissioners Court

ADJOURN

On this 20th day of January 2023, the Executive Administrator to the County Judge filed this notice, and was posted at the main entrance of the Walker County Courthouse.

Colt Christian, County Judge

I, the undersigned County Clerk, do hereby state that the above Notice of Meeting of the above named Commissioners' Court, is a true and correct copy of said Notice, and I posted a true and correct copy of said Notice on the Courthouse Public Notices area of Huntsville, Walker County, Texas, at a place readily accessible to the general public at all times on the 20th day of January, 2023, and said Notice remained so posted continuously for at least 72 hours proceeding the scheduled time of said meeting.

Dated this 20th day of January, 2023.

Kari A. French, County Clerk

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At \$121 o'clock A M

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KARI FRENCH, COUNTY CLERK WALKER COUNTY, TEXAS
By MANUL DALLY Deputy



BUYBOARD CONTRACT #685-22

BBBQ56110

6165 W. Detroit St. Chandler, AZ 85226 (602) 276-0406 (800) 528-8242

Date Quoted 1/9/2023 Expiration Date 2/8/2023

Quote To: Account Code: 932557 Ship To: Account Code: 2057641

WALKER COUNTY - TX

PURCHASING

PO BOX 1260 HUNTSVILLE, TX 77342

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HUNTSVILLE, TX 77320

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Phone: 936-436-4936

Fax:

LUCCIANN SMITH

Email: purchasing@co.walker.tx.us 936-293-0530 lsmith@co.walker.tx.us

Project Title: Buy Board #000-22 for Crafco SuperShot 125DC

Start Date: Ship Via: Truck/Common Carrier

Effective Dates: 1/9/2023 TO 2/8/2023 Sales Group: NCPA

Terms: NET 30 Quoted By: Chase Smith

F.O.B.: PPA- Delivered; freight includ Sales Office: TX3- Chase Smith

Estimated Time to Ship After Receipt of Order: Quoted at time of order

Customer:WALKER COUNTY - TXQuote NumberBBBQ56110Project Title:Buy Board #000-22 for Crafco SuperShot 125DCDate01-09-23

SALES TAX EXEMPT CERTIFICATE MUST BE PROVIDED AT THE TIME OF ORDER OR SALES TAX WILL BE ADDED TO YOUR ORDER

Part #	Description	Unit	Qty.	Contract Price	Ext. Price
	SuperShot 125 Diesel w/ Compressor Buy Board Co-Op Contract 685-22				
47400-BB	pricing applied SUPERSHOT 125D W/100 CFM COMPRESSOR	EA	1	\$80,460.0000	\$80,460.0000
27115-BB	SHROUD, TIP ADAPTER	ea	1	\$36.3000	\$36.3000
27114-BB	TIP ADAPTER	ea	1	\$40.1500	\$40.1500
27120-BB	DISK, 3" SWIVEL	ea	1	\$99.0000	\$99.0000
	***OPTIONS AS EQUIPPED ON TYPICAL CITY OR COUNTY UNIT **	*			
20014-BB	3" PINTLE HITCH	EA	1	\$114.2400	\$114.2400
24227-BB	SEVEN PIN FLAT BLADE CONNECTOR	EA	1	\$0.0000	\$0.0000
20140-BB	28" HITCH EXTENSION	EA	1	\$572.0000	\$572.0000
24095KCL1-BB	STROBE LIGHT KIT, CLASS 1/T13	EA	1	\$348.0000	\$348.0000
26058-BB	10# FIRE EXTINGUISHER (MUST ORDER 26059 TO MOUNT)	EA	1	\$192.0000	\$192.0000
26059-BB	FIRE EXTINGUISHER BRACKET	EA	1	\$76.0000	\$76.0000
26119-BB	3/8" SAFETY HOOK W/ LATCH (2 REQUIRED)	EA	2	\$58.0000	\$116.0000
47500N-BB	ENGINE CÓVER ASSY 4LE2T	EA	1	\$2,440.0000	\$2,440.0000
43549-BB	SPARE TIRE KIT (SINGLE AXLE)	EA	1	\$476.0000	\$476.0000
24190K-BB	OVERNIGHT HEATER 110V W/ US PLUG	EA	1	\$288.0000	\$288.0000
24086-BB			1	\$236.0000	\$236.0000
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Part #	Description	Unit	Qty.	Contract Price	Ext. Price
	LOCKABLE BATTERY BOX SUPERSHOT/EZ	EA			
26098-BB	TOOL BOX	EA	1	\$76.8000	\$76.8000
51318-BB	AUTOLOADER (MUST ORDER HITCH EXTENSION)	EA	1	\$7,280.0000	\$7,280.0000
38750K-AZ03	WORK AREA CAMERA SYSTEM, PHANTOM RO	EA	1	\$1,100.0000	\$1,100.0000
38700N-AZ03	DRIVER ALERT SYSTEM, COMPLETE KIT RO	EA	1	\$780.0000	\$780.0000
6008224	FREIGHT CHARGE (Chandler, AZ to Farmers Branch, TX)	EA	1	\$1,600.0000	\$1,600.0000
				Sales Tax	\$0.00
				Shipping	\$0.00
				Contract Total	\$96,330.49

COMMENTS:

Melter ships from Chandler AZ

Training on Start up, Operation, and Shut Down included with delivery.

NOTE:

WARNING:

Products on this quote may be labeled in accordance with California Proposition 65.

California purchasers refer to http://crafco.com/resources/Prop-65.xlsx

For Terms and Conditions of purchases go to: https://crafco.com/Terms-of-Sale.pdf

Quantities may be limited at Crafco's discretion.

Pricing and availability are subject to change without notice.

Pricing does not include applicable taxes. Tax exemption forms must be on file prior to invoicing. Unpaid sales tax will be reported to State and Local tax authorities. Extension is net after terms.

FOB DEFINITIONS:

PPA- Delivered; freight included. PPD- Delivered; freight separate.

Pavement Preservation Products Restocking Policy

RETURN POLICY

Crafco will only accept the return of products that have been authorized in writing in advance, and proof of purchase is required. Not all purchases are returnable. This is a Return Policy for non-warranty claims. Refer to the product data sheet for information about warranty and claims for warranty reimbursement.

All returns are subject to restocking fees.

All products returned must be in the original packaging and be in good and salable condition.

Crafco reserves the right to charge repackaging fees in addition to restocking fees.

The customer is responsible for all shipping costs of returned products.

Request information on the acceptability for returns for any specific product when ordering.

Nonreturnable Products

Not all products are returnable. Products that have a shelf life or are considered made to order, or special order may not be returned. No used parts may be returned and any part or product that is non-standard or obsolete is not returnable.

Product Return Status

Athletic Surfacing Products, Non-Returnable Cure & Commercial Liquids, Equipment,

Geocomposites, Paint, Sealcoat, and Silicone

Restocking Fees

All returnable products have a restocking fee if returned.

Product Restocking Fee

Parts 15% of part purchase price

All Other Products 25% of product purchase price

How to Return an Item

- 1. To obtain authorization contact your customer service representative.
- 2. A written authorization will be faxed or emailed to you.
- 3. A copy of the Return Authorization must accompany the material being returned.



IMPROVING THE WAY YOUR CREW COMMUNICATES

Introducing the Driver Alert System, the latest innovation from Crafco. Over the years, the engineering team at Crafco has been developing new and innovative features for its melter/applicators that have improved the safety and efficiency of crack sealing operations for contractors and agencies.

The Driver Alert System allows the crew member operating the applicator wand a more effective and efficient way to communicate with the crew and driver towing the melter. With the push of the button, the horn makes a short, high pitched tone that serves as a signal to the crew and driver to move forward, to stop, or to speed up or slow down.





DRIVER ALERT SYSTEM FEATURES & BENEFITS

- Enhanced signaling The horn's sound output automatically adjusts to ambient noise.
- Wireless system No wires or cables needed; uses only a single A23 battery.
- Waterproof design The horn and transmitter are protected from weather elements.
- Adjustable transmitter- Easily reposition the transmitter based on the operator's dominant hand.
- Easy installation The signal and control box each mount to a single bracket.

Available on all new Super Shot and EZ Series II melters with electric heated hoses or as a retro fit kit.

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IMPROVING SAFETY BY HAVING VISIBILITY TO YOUR WORK AREA

Introducing the Work Area Camera System, the latest innovation from Crafco. Continually, the engineering team at Crafco has been developing new and innovative features for its melter/applicators that have improved crack sealing operations for contractors and agencies.

The new Work Area Camera System improves crew safety and efficiency by providing the driver towing the melter instant feedback on where their crew is working. The camera simply attaches on the back of the melter and the monitor mounts easily to the truck's windshield. Easy to setup, the camera provides live, wireless transmission, so that the driver can see what's happening in and around the melter in real time.





WORK AREA CAMERA FEATURES

- 5" LED Digital monitor with suction cup mount
- Waterproof backup camera with infra-red night vision
- Instantly pair system without leaving the cab of your truck
- Protective case to safely store the camera system
- 12V Power adapter plugs into your truck's cab power outlet

Available on all new Super Shot, Patcher II, and EZ Series II melters or as a retro fit kit.



Telescoping mast and adjustable camera expands the field of vision.

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Equipment Lights







As more drivers take to the road, more road construction projects are taking place to maintain and preserve those roads. As a result, construction work zones are increasingly active - day or night.

Road construction operations necessitate proper lighting to ensure work quality is maintained and to protect the safety and wellbeing of the crew and public.

Select the ideal lighting solution for your application.



Delivering Confidence Through Innovation, Quality and Value Since 1976

The Importance of Safety Lights - Day or Night

The use of safety lights ensures that your work zone is visible to drivers and pedestrians. Doing this significantly reduces the risk of an accident from occurring. When choosing your safety light, high visibility from a distance is an important factor.







The Society for Automotive Engineers (SAE) has established a standardized classification system for safety and warning lights. The system is referred to as SAE Class and there are two levels for outdoor use: Class 1 and Class 2. SAE Class is determined using the SI unit of measurement, Candela. Candela (cd) is a quantifiable measurement of brightness and refers to the intensity of a single beam of light in a particular direction. The larger the candela value, the greater the intensity and visibility a light is over extended distances.

Understanding the difference between SAE Classifications for safety and warning lights

SAE Class 1 Lights

Most often used for emergency response vehicles such as police, fire and ambulance.

- Candela value greater than 8,100
- 4X more intense than Class 2 lights
- 10X more intense than Class 3 lights
- Meets CA Title 13

SAE Class 2 Lights

Commonly used on utility/service vehicles moving at or below the speed of traffic.

- Candela value close to 4,500
- . 2.5X as bright as Class 3 lights

Types of Safety Lights Crafco Offers

When designing a lighting plan for a construction work zone, the essential goal is to provide a certain level of illumination for a specific function. Crafco Warning and Safety Lights provide optimum work area illumination while giving oncoming vehicles clear warning of work zones. Our high-quality lights are heavy duty, so they will withstand the demands from everyday use, as well as the weather elements.

Crafco offers a variety of light types to choose from for your equipment.



Work Lights LED Quad Work Lights



Strobe Lights
LED Flashing strobe light
available in SAE Class 1
and SAE Class 2



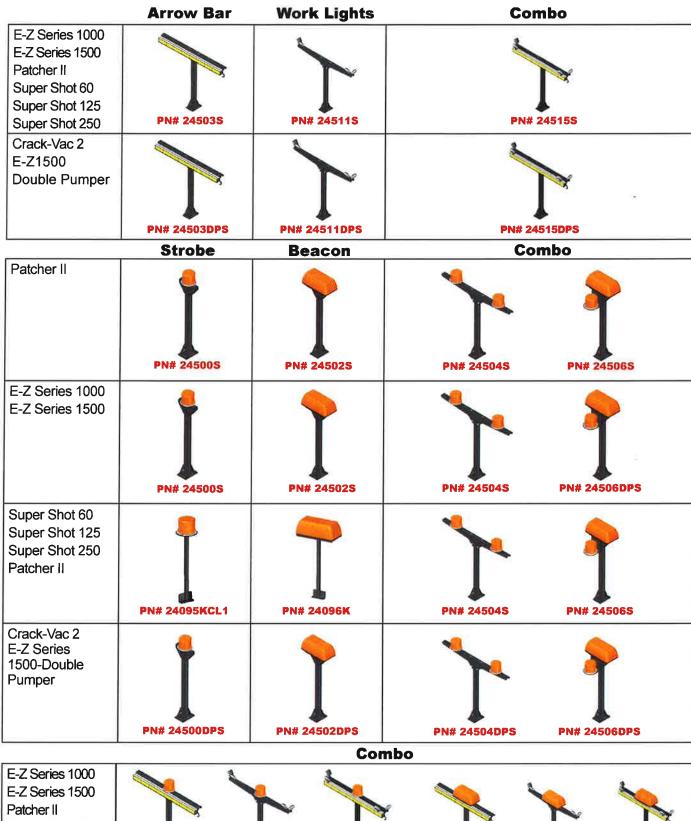
BeaconsRectangular bar with multiple rotating warning lights available as Class 1, non-LED



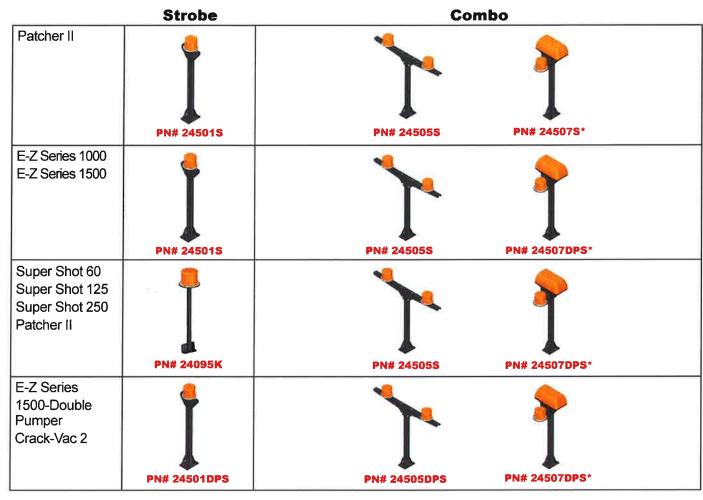
Arrow Bars (Unclassified) Wide flashing multiple LED bar with programmable directional flash patterns and two brightness levels w/ included control box.



Combination Kits (Classes 1&2) Available with strobe, beacon, work lights and arrow bar configurations.







Combo

Patcher Super S Super S	es 1500 II	PN# 24509S	PN# 24513S	PN# 24517S	
E-Z150 Double Crack-\	Pumper	PN# 24509DPS	PN# 24513DPS	PN# 24517DPS	

^{*} Beacon Lights are only class 1, and are combined with class 2 strobe lights.







Engineered Performance Features



QUICK & EASY START-UP With the flip of a loggle switch the Super Shot will be ready to pperate in less than an hour Shut down, at the end of the day is just as easy,



wand pump burner & electrical



Controls operate the entire unit and override possible operator error... Integrated control box houses all the





Optional Compressor Compressor runs air lance that is used to clean dirt & debris out of cracks_increasing crack sealing



Optional Engine

Protects engine

from the elements

The low voltage electric heated hose heats material to application temperature within 45 minutes. The hose has the longest working radius in the industry, a 360° swivel, protective sleave, & a repairable hose & word.

Efficient Burner

positioned safely within the frame providing protection & ample

ground clearance, Time saving electric overnight



Low Prolife Low center of gravity provides easy loading, yet has ample unobstructed graund clearance for safe lowing ever the most rugged road conditions.

Engineered Performance Options

Crafco offers many Engineered Performance Options to increase Grateo offers many Engineerso Performance Options to increase production, save fabor and lower operating costs. The versality of the Super Shot units allows you to specify options in your time frame, from the initial placement of the order all the way through production. Most Super Shot units have been engineered to accept any option, whether it's an autobader, compressor, light bar or the sthapuisher. These options will enhance production while increasing safety and security.

Engine covers and battery boxes protect the engine from the elements and adds security. The autoloader increases production, adds salety and decreases operator tatigue. The overnight heater is an on the job must if you want is reduce start un time. The light har is for added salety to direct traffic and increase driver awareness. No other machine comes as complete or as



· Engine cover · Gravity Feed · Arrow Board Kit



· Hach Selection Electric Plug Selection
 Hach Extension
 Cab Brake Control

Break-away Battery w/charge Locking Battery Box

Overnight Heater Fire Extragulation - 10 or 20 fb.

Engineered Tools

Sealing Tips and Material Handling Tools



Crafee Duckbill PN# 50270 Use with Super Shot Melter wands to

prevent dripping of material. Crafco Sealing Foot / Flush

PN# 27154 Soaling tofit assembly 1/4" flush PN# 27155 Soaling tofit assembly 3/8" flush

Used for straight asphalt and concrete PN# 27159 Sealing to tt assembly 1/4"

protruding PAS 27160 Sealing tip tt assembly 3/6"

Crafco Joint Sealing Tip Use for straight asphalt and concerts : PN# 27146 Sealing tip assembly 1/4" PN# 27147 Sealing tip assembly 3/8"

Crafeo Round Sealing Tip Multi-purpose random cracks and joints.
Use with a squeegee for most applications.
Plas 27170 Sealing to assembly 3/8" PN# 27171 Sealing lip assembly 1/2

Crafco Applicator Disk Used for overbanding, great labor saver, PN# 27162 3' Disk Assembly PN# 27163 4 Disk Assembly PN# 27164 6 Disk Assembly

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(800) 528-8242

Crafco Heavy Duty Squeegee w/Aluminum Handle PN# 27199 Use for leveling crack sealant and where a sealant over band is

Crafco Replacement Blade PN# 27195 4" x 18" x 3/8" Crafco Heavy Duly Compact

Squeegee w/ Aluminum Handle PN# 27245 Crafco Heavy Duty Compact Squeegee w/ Wooden Handle PN# 27245W

and where a seplant over band is recommended. Graico Replacement Blade PN# 27241 2-1/2" x 17" x 3/8"

shut off lever

Crafco Pour Pot with Wheels PN# 40200 Use to apply a uniform band of sealant to a crack or joint. Wheeled for ease of use, Gravity feed with

Cratce Hand Held Pour Pot PN# 40201 For application of thin crack sealant to a joint or crack, Gravity feed with

Crafco Detack is an economical biodegradable figure from Crafco that eliminates sealant tack when



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Super Shot Melter/Applicators

Crafco Engineered System





SUPER SHOT MELTERS

A PART OF THE CRAFCO PAVEMENT PRESERVATION SYSTEM

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Engineered Performance Design

Crafco Super Shot Melter/Applicators Engineered Performance answer todays challenges of high energy costs and small budgets with innovative features. Available in three sizes to match budgets and job criteria, Super Shot machines get the up done correctly quick and economical. No other machine on the market today can match Crafco's Engineered Performance

Engineered Efficiency, Crafco's Super Shot engineered pump is mounted inside the melter, eliminating material recirculation, outside plumbing and high-pressure lines. By eliminating the need for re-circulation, the pump runs only when material application is needed making this an "on-demand" system, this

increases pump life and operator safety. Engineered Safety

Super Shot Meller/Applicators are loaded with standard safety features designed to protect the operator and the public. In addition to standard safety features there are optional engineered features such as the autoloader, which keeps the operator cleaoperain anymetric realizes such as the autobasian; which keeps the operator lebal of hot sealant and adds efficiency to the process. Rear controls keep the operator away from traffic on both sides of the unit and the bearing hose boom reduces operator fatigue. Anti-splash lids with safety shut offs protect the operator from sealant splash. Review the innovative features of Crafco Mellers and you will find these machines to be the most salely engineered melters available

Additionally, an internally mounted pump requires no packing, eliminating maintenance, Less maintenance in the shop means more production on the job, more profit and less costs.

Engineered Options and Features, Standard Engineered Features makes the operation of these melters the safest and the easiest machines to operate, Many of the other features are easiest machines to operate, Many or the other features reduce labor and operating loosts; the most impressive being the Super Stot Meller Engineered Options, Dosign the most award with these options. For example, add an optional industrial air compressor and save the cost of tunning an additional engine and tower-label. With over 20 and fauthorities you will save time, money and managewer



Angled Loading Lid Anti-Splash Lid Low Profile Loading Height

Hot Oil and Sealant Shut Down

Manual Record Box Lid Agitator Shut Off Switch

Bearing Boom

Hose Cover

Low Curb Height

Hitch Extension # Quiet Operation

Curbside Controls

S Heat Transfer Overflow Tank

LED Lights Standard

Additional features not indicated. Salety Chains, Breakaway Switch, Light Board, Fire Extinguisher, Auto Shut-Off, Salety Manual, and Autobader.

The Crafco Super Shot series melter/applicators represent the most Super Shot 60 technologically advanced melter/applicators avadable. These state-ofthe-art machines offer the ultimate in efficiency and ease of use. The digital control features of this equipment accurately control and regulate the heating temperature of the seatant and transfer oil. The patented internal pumping system requires no clean out and features a hydraulic flow rate adjustment. The internal pump only operates when the operator activates the micro-switch on the applicator wand. With 'On Demand' pumping there are no valves, fewer moving parts and no hose pressure build up. Super Shot melters will out-perform any comparable sized machine available. Crafco offers a one-year warranty, various options. and many safety features, making these machines the greatest value with the highest product or, The Crafco Super Shot Melters are the There are three sizes to choose from The Super Shot 60 is a 60-dation capacity unit, which features autematic digital controls. It is prepare face, with a heated hose and wand. This machine is designed for use on projects under 2,000 pounds at sealant per day. The Super Shot 60 is also available as a skid mount. The mid-sized 125-gallon capacity Super Shot 125, offers the best versabity, Ideal for medium to large sized projects, this until is discall powered, available with an optional compressor or a boor saving Audoloader, This is our most popular Super Shot 125 with Compressor municipal unit. The oversized 250-pallon Super Shot 250 is designed for large projects. This machine will out-perform any melter in its class and is available with many standard options. Ergonomically Engineered Loading Features:
Splesh proof lid No operator back strain · Light weight loading lid Choose your size. choose your optionsl

Longer Pump Life • Efficient & Aggressive Agitation

The patented pump technology of the Crafco Super Shot melters is what makes the Super Shot the most productly The planning during standard with the industry. The content is made the Super office to the most productive and forest managers and the standard of the standa require no packing which eliminates maintenance and results in more production on the job,



Specifications

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Super Shot 259 174 L / 81 257W / 817H 5 8588x / 2 658kg - Actual 9 9008x / 4 450kg - Approx Dig 2 125 be:

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THE MOST TECHNOLOGICALLY ADVANCED MELTER/APPLICATORS

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7,655 or 44,387 cm Standard Super Shet Hydravic Rear Control Box Cust Side

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CRAFCO ENGINEERED SUPER SHOT MELTERS ARE BUILT TO LAST

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SUPER SHOT™ FLEX BOOM

Lightens the weight of the wand for the operator when crack sealing, making it safer and more efficient.











Just when you thought the Super Shot™ Series melter/applicators couldn't possibly get any better, Crafco flexed its muscle once again.

Crafco Super Shot™ melter/applicators answer todays challenges that have developed from higher energy costs and smaller budgets. The addition of the new Super Shot™ Flex Boom lightens the weight of the wand for the operator when crack sealing, making it safer and more efficient.

The Flex Boom can be retrofitted to the following Super Shot™ models:

- Super Shot 125 and 250 models ONLY.
- All Super Shot 125 units must have the mixer and pump reverse toggle switches located inside the control box to be compatible.

Feature	Benefit					
Gas strut enables boom to raise and lower	Eliminates hose drag while simulatniously supporting the operator with the maximum radius needed when working away from the machine.					
Adjustable mount locations for gas strut	Allows operator to fine-tune force required to raise and lower boom					
New swivel hose hangers and guard plate	Protects hose from wear points, improving hose life					
Adjustable brake	Fine tunes rotational speed/ resistance to users' preference					



Our dedicated team of engineers continuously develops new and innovative equipment and features through ongoing research to provide the industry's safest and most reliable equipment. Crafco is a recognized leader in pavement preservation equipment and materials.

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Engineer's Preliminary Opinion of Cost Walker County Courthouse Grounds Improvements 30% Submittal

January 9, 2023

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	SE BID ITEMS					
_	DESCRIPTION	UNIT	QTY		UNIT COST	COST
1	Mobilization, Construction Fencing, Staking, Insurance, Performance,	LS	1	\$	21,000.00	\$ 21,000.00
	Payment, and Maintenance Bonds (5%)					
2	Remove and Haul Off Existing Brick Pavers (Sidewalk & Staircase)	SY	955	\$	30.00	\$ 28,650.00
3	Remove and Haul Off Pedestrian Ramp (SE Corner)	EA	1	\$	1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
4	Remove and Haul Off Existing Concrete Curbs	LF	760	\$	12.50	\$ 9,500.00
5	Remove and Haul Off Existing Lamp Posts	EA	3	\$	600.00	\$ 1,800.00
6	Remove and Haul Off Stairway Handrails	LS	1	\$	3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00
7	Remove and Haul Off Other Misc. Removal Items	LS	1	\$	4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
8	Remove, Salvage, and Reset Flag Pole w/ Pedestal	EA	1	\$	5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
9	Remove, Salvage, and Reset Misc. Water and Irrigation Components	LS	1	\$	2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
10	Remove, Salvage, and Reset Roof Drain Pipes Through Sidewalk	EA	7	\$	1,500.00	\$ 10,500.00
11	Remove, Salvage, and Reset Drain Plate w/ Flume	LS	1	\$	3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
	4" Thick Concrete Sidewalk (Stamped & Stained)	SY	916	\$	115.00	\$ 105,340.00
13	4" Thick Concrete Sidewalk (Standard)	SY	95	\$	80.00	\$ 7,600.00
14	Demo and Rebuild North and South Staircase	LS	1	\$	12,000.00	\$ 12,000.00
15	4" Thick Bench Pad	SF	32	\$	12.50	\$ 400.00
16	4' Tall x 1' Wide Brick Retaining Wall (Match Existing)	SF	52	\$	75.00	\$ 3,900.00
17	Pedestrian Ramp with Landing Pad	EΑ	2	\$	3,500.00	\$ 7,000.00
18	Standard Concrete Curb	LF	860	\$	25.00	\$ 21,500.00
19	Striping for Curbs	LS	1	\$	3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00
20	Handrails for Staircase	LS	1	\$	25,000.00	\$ 25,000.00
21	Electrical Components (Lighting, Speakers, and Associated Items)	LS	1	\$	100,000.00	\$ 100,000.00
22	Bench for Sitting Area and trash recepticals	EA	1	\$	3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
23	Military Branch Medalians embedded in concrete at east flagpole	EA	6	\$	1,500.00	\$ 9,000.00
24	New Flag Pole Holders (For Lion's Club) around sidewalk perimeter	LS	1	\$	3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
25	Erosion and Sediment Control	LS	1	\$	5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
26	Misc. Traffic Control for Vehicles and Pedestrians	LS	1	\$	20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00
27	Sodding	SY	130	\$	20.00	\$ 2,600.00
28	Lab Testing for Concrete	LS	1	\$	8,000.00	\$ 8,000.00
_29	Misc. Site Grading for Positive Drainage	LS	1	\$	2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
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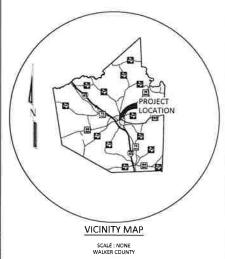
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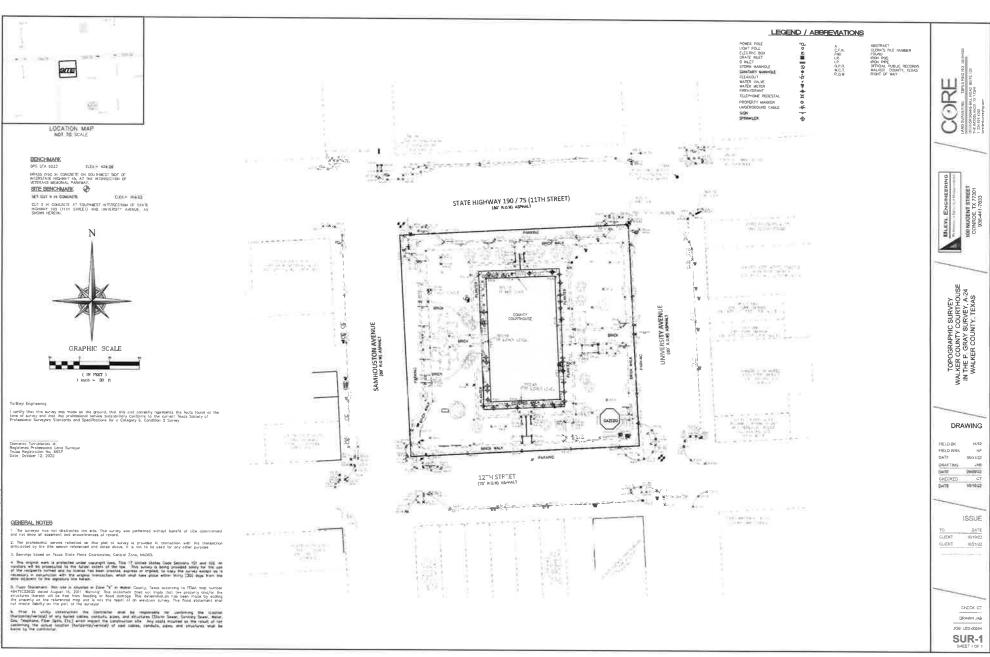
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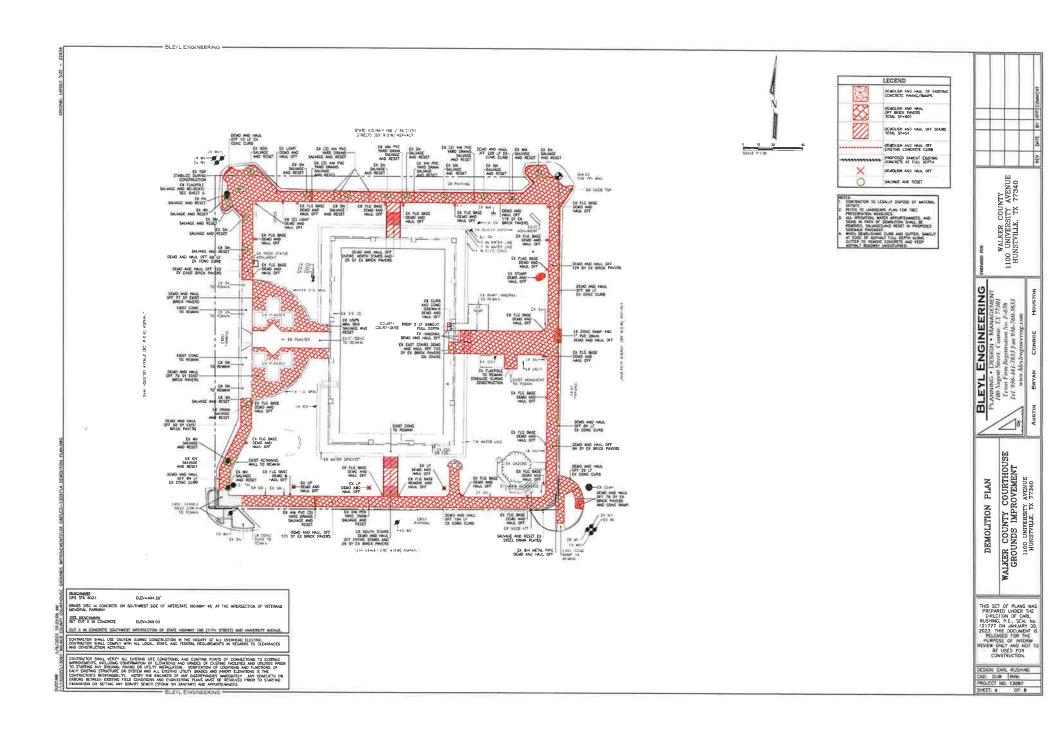
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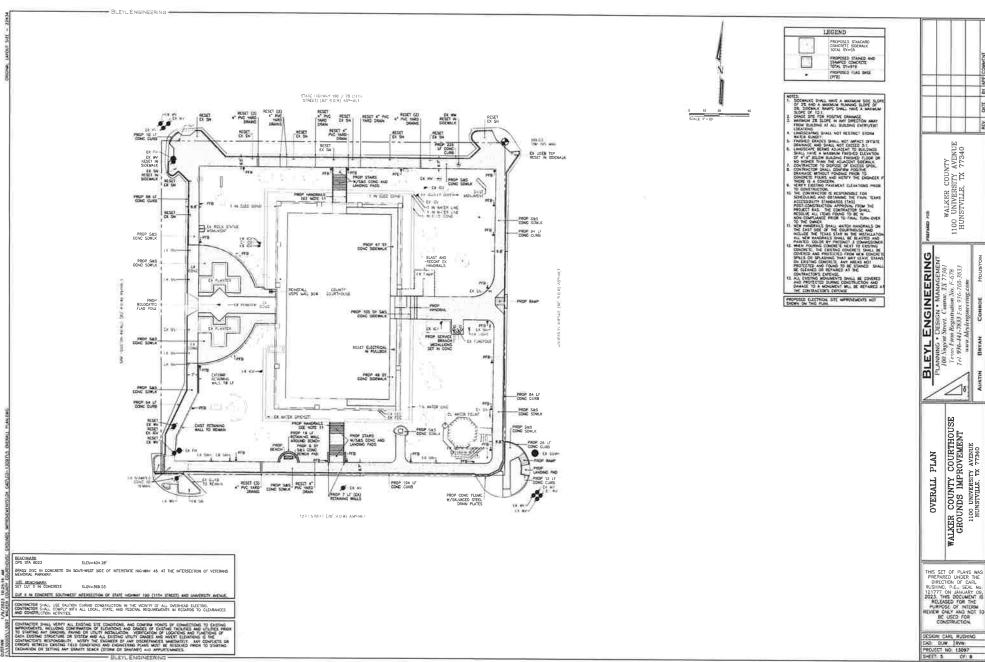
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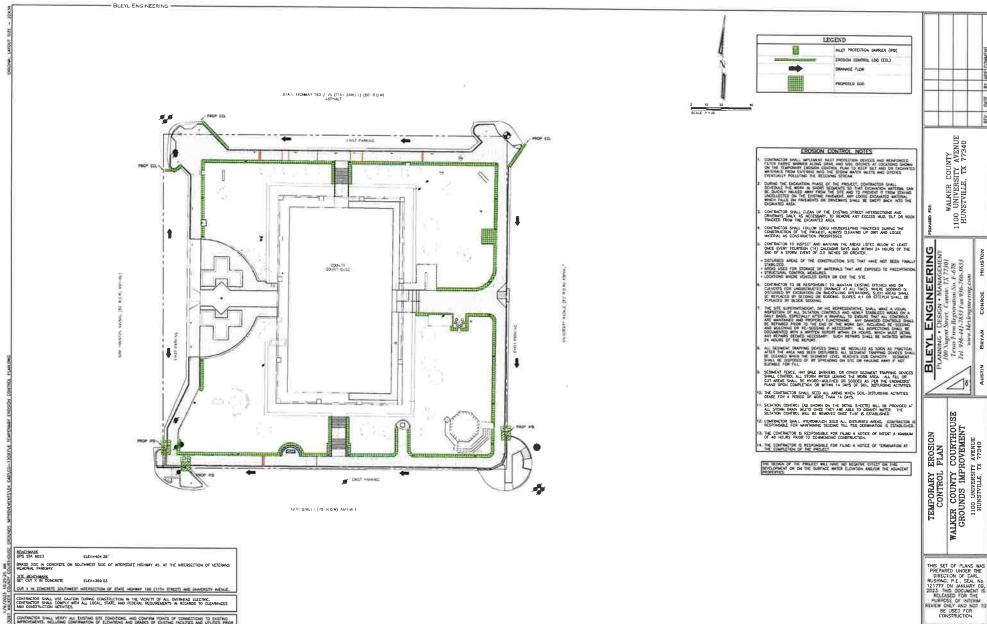




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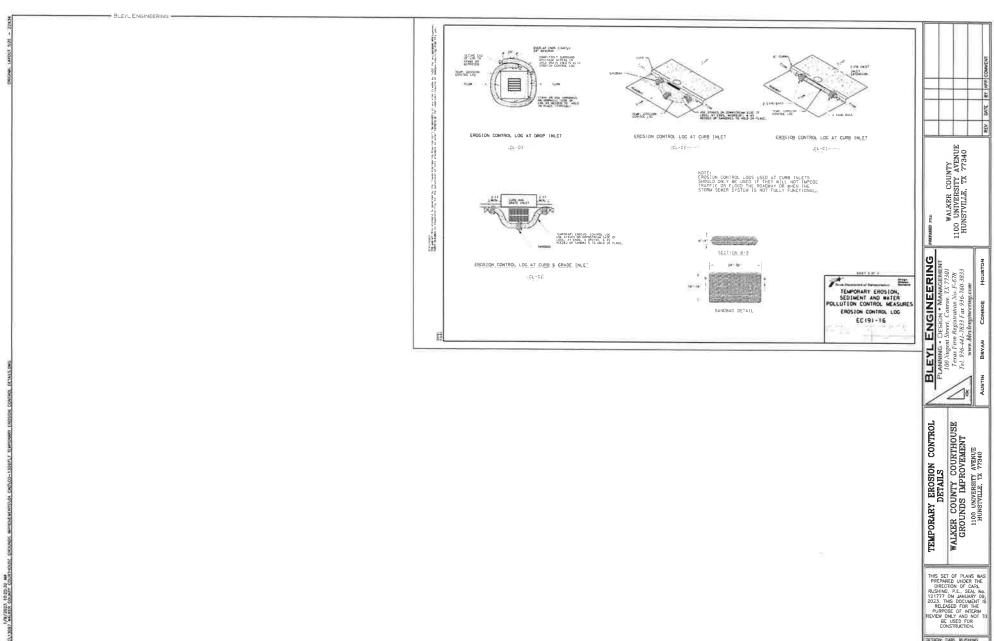
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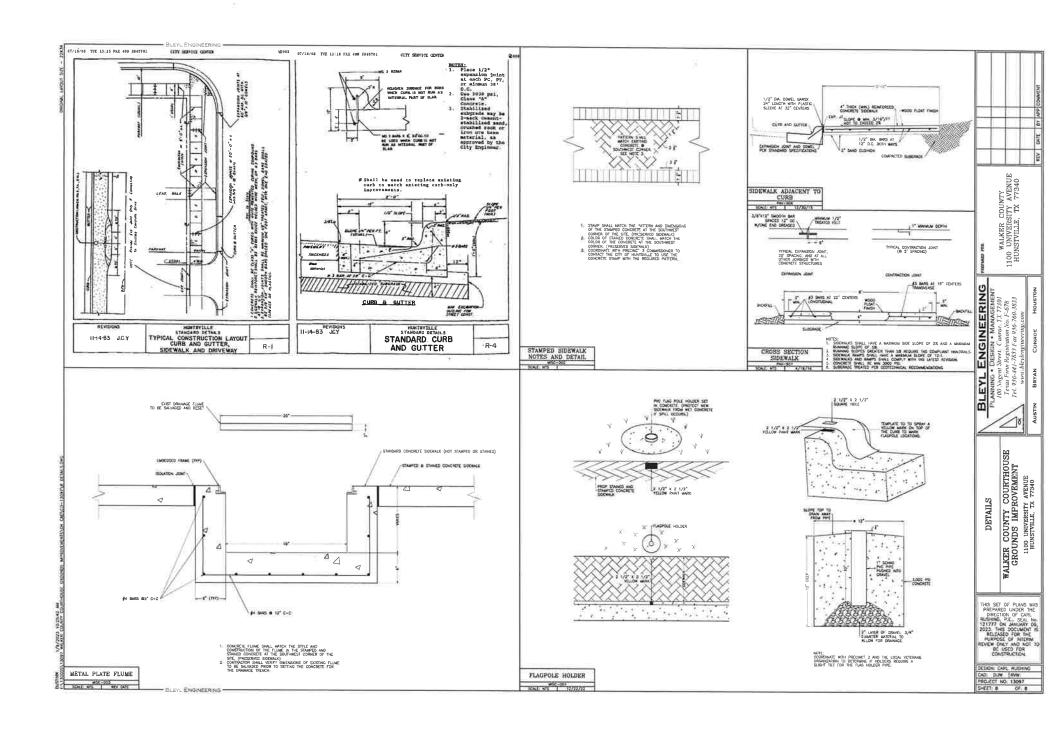
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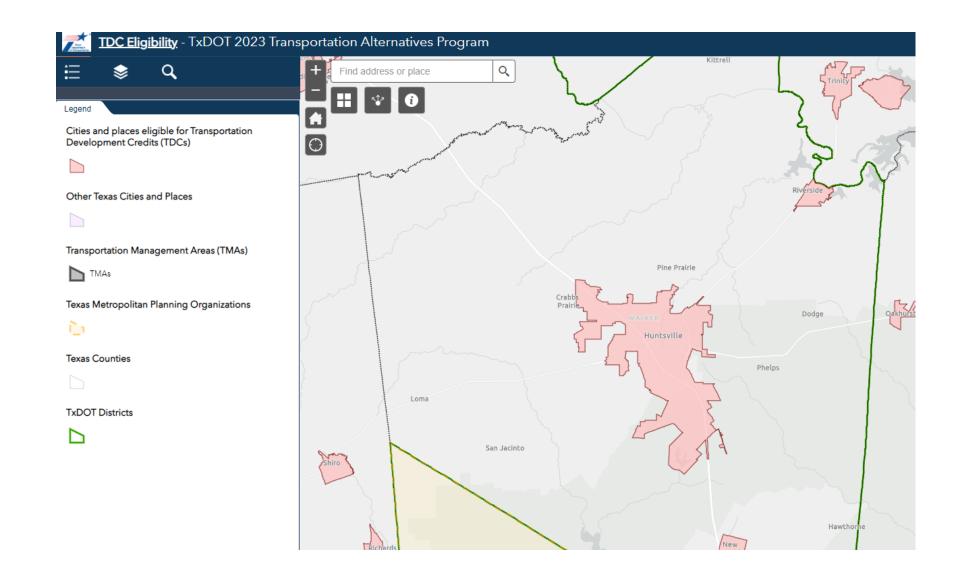


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Sidewalk Grant through TxDot

- https://www.txdot.gov/business/grants-and-funding/bicycle-pedestrian-local-federal-funding-programs.html
- App must be submitted by January 27
- https://ftp.txdot.gov/pub/txdot/ptn/bicycle/ta-2023call-annoucement.pdf
- Huntsville Square is in an eligible area
- We would need to place this on the agenda Monday for approval to submit and application.
- We already have plans started and a price estimate.





2023 TA Call for Projects Frequently Asked Questions during Project Sponsor Workshops

Below are frequently asked questions received during TxDOT's 2023 TA Call for Projects Project Sponsor Workshops which occurred between November 29 and December 16, 2022. The Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) and Texas Administrative Code (TAC) have been cited in response to several questions using only the abbreviations CFR and TAC.

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General Questions

1) Where can interested parties find out more information about TxDOT's 2023 Transportation Alternatives Call for Projects?

Answer:

All program call materials can be found at TxDOT's website (https://www.txdot.gov/content/txdotreimagine/us/en/home/business/grants-and-funding/bicycle-pedestrian-local-federal-funding-programs.html). Additional materials will be made available periodically throughout the program call. When the Program Call opened, materials included Program Guide, Preliminary Application, Preliminary Application Instructions, and various supporting resources. At or around March 27th, Detailed Application, Detailed Application Instructions, and additional supporting resources will be uploaded to the same webpage.

2) Is there a maximum or minimum award amount for the various TA project categories?

Answer:

- <u>Community Based Infrastructure</u> Target project funding award amounts between \$250,000 and \$5 million per project.
- <u>Large Scale Active Transportation Infrastructure</u> Target project funding award amounts between \$5 million and \$25 million per project.

- <u>Active Transportation Network Enhancements Infrastructure</u> Local governments under 200,000 people, minimum target project funding award amount \$250,000; Local governments over 200,000 people, minimum target project funding award amount \$1 million.
- <u>Active Transportation Non-Infrastructure</u> –Target minimum project funding award amount \$100,000.
- Due to the need for obligating funds within the constraints of this federal program, TxDOT will
 maintain some flexibility in regard to total funding awarded in each project category. Project
 funding amounts listed are intended as targets. Depending on the number of applications
 received and amounts requested during the Call for Projects, TxDOT may award projects with
 costs that exceed these targets. Conversely, projects at or above maximum targets should be
 developed with phasing in mind, with options for scaling the project back if TxDOT is not able to
 award the total amount requested.
- 3) How do I decide which category to apply for?

Answer:

Please refer to Figure 3 on page 14 of the Program Guide for a decision tree aiding Project Sponsor in selecting the appropriate Project Category. TxDOT may refer a project sponsor to a different project category after reviewing their preliminary application, prior to releasing the detailed application.

4) Is my project eligible and is my entity/organization eligible for funding?

Answer:

Please refer to Table 3 in the Program Guide for information about project sponsor eligibility, eligible project activities, and project examples. Feel free to email bikeped@txdot.gov with detailed inquiries.

5) Is there a target number of awards or maximum amount of funding that TxDOT is looking to fund for each of the project categories?

Answer

TxDOT does not have a target number of awards. Table 3 in the Program Guide identifies target amounts for certain project categories. Depending on the number of applications received and amounts requested during the Call for Projects, total awards by project category may vary from these targets.

6) Does TxDOT usually receive more TA applications for projects than they have funding for?

Answer:

Historically, TxDOT has received more project applications from larger project sponsors than the available funding. However, in the 2017 and 2019 TA call for projects, TxDOT received fewer applications for non-urban area projects than available funding. In response, TxDOT modified its TA Program rules with the intent to increase the number of project applications from smaller communities, resulting in an excess of applications from these areas.

7) How often will there be a Transportation Alternatives Call for Projects?

Answer:

TxDOT has hosted a TA Call for Projects every other year since 2015. Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) designated as Transportation Management Areas (TMAs) also competitively award Transportation Alternatives funding within their jurisdictions. Please contact your local MPO for additional information regarding frequency of their calls for projects. If this pattern holds, TxDOT's next TA call for projects will kick off during the 2025 fiscal year.

8) Which population numbers should a project sponsor use to determine which funding area they are eligible for? For which jurisdiction should we use population data: county, city, census designated place?

Answer:

Project location population figures used for TxDOT's 2023 TA Call for Projects should be based on the US Census Bureau's 2020 Decennial Census. See https://data.census.gov/cedsci/. Due to delayed release of some 2020 Census data, transportation management areas are based on 2010 Census urbanized area boundaries.

The jurisdiction used to determine population will vary by project. For a project located in a city or unincorporated area, you would use the population area for the city or "Census Designated Place". For a rural project, then you would use the surrounding Census tracts.

9) What resources are available to local governments to aid them in complying with federal and state requirements?

Answer:

TxDOT and FHWA have many resources available to local governments. The resources listed below are some of the most commonly used resources (accessible via the internet):

TxDOT

- TxDOT Local Government Projects website: https://www.txdot.gov/government/programs/local-government-projects.html
- Local Government Projects Online Toolkit: https://www.txdot.gov/government/processes-procedures/lgp-toolkit.html
- Training and Qualifications: https://www.txdot.gov/government/programs/local-government-projects/training.html
- Forms and Publications: https://www.txdot.gov/inside-txdot/forms-publications/publications/local-government.html
- Local Government Standards and Special Provisions: https://www.txdot.gov/business/resources/txdot-specifications/local-government.html

FHWA

- FHWA website: https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/
- Federal-aid Essentials for Local Public Agencies: Federal-aid Essentials offers a central online library of informational videos and resources, designed specifically for local public agencies. Each video addresses a single topic-condensing the complex regulations and requirements of the Federal-aid Highway Program into easy-to-understand concepts with illustrated examples. Visit FHWA's website at: https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/federal-aidessentials/

Eligible Project Sponsors, Projects, and Reimbursable Activities

10) If a project is awarded, does the project sponsor need to pay for the construction of the project out of pocket and then get reimbursed? Or can the project be initially paid by the grant?

Answer:

The TA program is not a grant program, but a federal reimbursement program for eligible activities. Project sponsors awarded infrastructure funding as part of TxDOT's TA program are reimbursed for eligible construction and design (if applicable) expenses. Project sponsors awarded non-infrastructure funding as part of TxDOT's TA program are reimbursed for eligible planning document expenses. After the project sponsor incurs eligible expenses and pays its contractors, the project sponsor will be reimbursed by TxDOT according to the Advanced Funding Agreement, signed before work begins.

Expenses incurred prior to an Advance Funding Agreement, federal authorization of the project, and notice to proceed from TxDOT (including grant writing or development assistance) are not eligible for reimbursement.

11) Would proposed projects in larger cities in Transportation Management Areas (TMAs) such as Houston or Dallas be eligible project sponsors under this call for Projects?

Answer:

Yes. Proposed projects located in TMAs are eligible for TxDOT's 2023 TA Call for Projects. These project sponsors would be eligible to apply for the Large-scale infrastructure, Network Enhancements infrastructure, and Non-Infrastructure project categories but would not be eligible for the Community Based project category.

12) Can an MPO be a project sponsor? If an MPO applies and is funded - how would "ownership" of a trail be transferred to a city(s)?

Answer:

New to the 2023 TA Call for Projects, metropolitan planning organizations (MPOs) that serve an area with a population of 200,000 or less are eligible as direct recipients for TA funds.

For infrastructure projects, TxDOT encourages MPOs to partner with the local entities on the application and implementation since the local jurisdiction would likely be the owner of the ROW and resulting project and likely responsible for maintaining the investment.

13) Is the purchase of property for a bikeway or pedestrian facility eligible for reimbursement under this program?

Answer:

The department's TA funds are available for right-of-way acquisition on a case-by-case basis as approved by TxDOT. ROW acquisition must facilitate project execution within TA Program obligation requirements and be supported by affected property owners to ensure property acquisition does not delay project implementation.

14) How does an eligible project sponsor submit a request for TxDOT to sponsor a project on their behalf?

Answer:

Project sponsors can discuss sponsorship opportunities during the preliminary application phase and district review meetings. Sponsoring a project on behalf of another eligible project sponsor is at the TxDOT District's discretion. TxDOT's sponsorship would be formalized during Step 2 (Detailed Application) with documentation requesting TxDOT sponsorship for the local project sponsor, a letter of concurrence from the TxDOT District Engineer, and the TxDOT District Engineer and local project sponsor signatures on the Detailed Application.

15) If TxDOT is applying in collaboration with a local government, does that give that applicant an unfair advantage over those not getting assistance from TxDOT?

Answer:

Each project is competitively evaluated based on the same multidisciplinary criteria. Projects sponsored by TxDOT will not be prioritized over projects without TxDOT sponsorship. Additionally, projects sponsored by TxDOT will not be evaluated by the TxDOT District that prepared the application.

Project sponsors interested in collaborating with their local TxDOT District staff on an application should contact their District TA Coordinator to discuss.

16) Are utility or water drainage costs eligible under any project category?

Answer:

Minor utility adjustments or stormwater and drainage work may be included in the budget if these activities are incidental to the bicycle or pedestrian project. Minor utility adjustments or stormwater & drainage work would be eligible if these costs do not exceed 30% of the total project construction cost. Major utility relocations are not eligible.

17) A project sponsor's jurisdictional boundaries cross two counties with a portion of the jurisdiction eligible for TDCs and a portion not eligible for TDCs. If this project sponsor applies for a TxDOT TA award in the Active Transportation Non-Infrastructure project category will the project be eligible for TDCs (100% federal funding)?

Answer:

For infrastructure and non-infrastructure projects that are located only partially within a TDC eligible area, TxDOT will prorate based on the portion of the project that is TDC eligible. For example, if a city applies for the Active Transportation Non-Infrastructure project category for a city-wide planning document and 30% of a city is TDC eligible, then TDCs would cover 30% of the local match (6% of total project value) and the city would be responsible for remainder (14% of the total project cost).

Application and Evaluation Processes

18) There is a limit of three applications. Does this limit apply to preliminary applications (Step 1), or can a project sponsor submit more than three preliminary applications and then narrow the number of applications to three for the detailed application (Step 2)?

Answer:

Project sponsors may submit up to three preliminary applications. These projects may be submitted for any project category. Only projects found eligible based on the preliminary application can be submitted for Step 2, the detailed application phase.

19) Will applications submitted during previous TA Calls for Projects that were not awarded funding be considered in the FY 21-22 program without re-application?

Answer

No, projects submitted during previous TxDOT TA Calls for Projects that were not awarded must be resubmitted using the 2023 preliminary and detailed applications to be considered for funding under TxDOT's 2023 TA Call for Projects.

20) Is there a benefit to/preference for proposing a project in TxDOT ROW?

Answer:

Projects that are on or adjacent to the TxDOT maintained roadway network will not receive a higher rank simply because the project is on-system. TxDOT's priority with this program call is to fund quality bicycle and pedestrian projects leveraging as much TA funding as possible. However, TxDOT reserves the right to use other federal and/or state resources to implement a project submitted under this program call that is located within TxDOT right-of-way and advances the department's ADA/pedestrian accessibility, safety, or mobility goals. Refer to pg. 5 of the Program Guide for more information about alternative funding sources.

21) Does the program have a preference between project types (i.e., sidewalks, multi-use paths, etc.)?

Answer:

All eligible project types are welcome. Review Section C of the Program Guide for information about project evaluation and selection criteria to assist in identifying competitive projects.

22) Do all project elements have to connect? For example, is making sidewalk improvements at different locations considered one project or do the improvements need to connect?

Answer:

A project that fills in gaps in a non-motorized transportation network may be eligible, if the detailed application demonstrates how the proposed elements contribute to a single, interconnected project or network. Project sponsors may be asked to split a larger project into smaller segments if each element of the project makes more sense as a standalone project.

23) Our city is having trouble finding a single project to meet the \$5 million minimum for the Large-Scale Active Transportation Infrastructure project category. Can a project sponsor propose multiple projects under a single application to reach this minimum threshold?

Answer:

Yes, projects may be composed of multiple elements that work together to create a connected network. The project sponsor should demonstrate how the elements contribute to a connected network in the project description, the maps, the planning section, and in the transformational narrative.

24) Are projects crossing RR ROW less likely to be recommended for the detailed application?

Answer:

No, projects that cross RR ROW are not less likely to be recommended for Step 2 (detailed applications). However, it is important to identify project complexities early in the project development process so that these complexities can be addressed to avoid delays in project implementation if the project is awarded funding. Advanced railroad coordination is strongly recommended and may be essential for funding consideration. Obtaining railroad approval can take several years in some instances. The detailed application should document coordination to date with the affected railroad regarding the proposed project.

25) Does "project readiness" mean you need to have engineering complete and PS&E documents ready to go?

Answer:

No. Project readiness is dependent on a number of factors listed in Table 4 in the Program Guide and using information provided in the Detailed Application (Step 2). Shovel-ready projects demonstrate excellent project readiness; however, projects with few constructability concerns that are not shovel ready are still very competitive in TxDOT's calls for projects for TA funds.

26) Does the preliminary application need to be completed by an engineer?

Answer:

No. The preliminary application does not need to be completed by an engineer. The cost estimate in the preliminary application is intended to be a high level, general estimate. It provides TxDOT staff an idea of project scale and scope. The itemized budget estimate in the detailed application needs to be reflective of conceptual or planning-level estimated costs anticipated for the project.

27) Are local government costs toward preparing the detailed application package eligible for reimbursement?

Answer:

No. Any costs incurred prior to the project being selected for funding, being identified in the local Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and Statewide TIP (if individually listed), execution of the Advance Funding Agreement, federal authorization of the project, and authorization from TxDOT to proceed are not eligible for reimbursement.

28) If a proposed project includes a project sponsor overmatch (project sponsor proposes to contribute a cash match greater than 20% of the total construction cost), does this make a project more competitive?

Answer:

The presence of a project sponsor overmatch is not an evaluation criterion. However, an overmatch is an indication of strong local/community support which is an evaluation criterion.

29) Can the cost estimate and scope change between the preliminary application and detailed application?

Answer:

Yes, the cost estimate and scope of the project can be adjusted between the preliminary application and detailed application as long as the original project concept and intent is maintained. The cost estimate provided for the preliminary application is a high level, general estimate. In the detailed application, the itemized budget estimate determines the amount of federal funds that will be awarded.

30) What type of right-of-way (ROW) / property ownership documentation is required?

Answer:

Project sponsors will be requested to attach ROW ownership documentation which may include ROW maps and/or deed records to the detailed application. If ROW acquisition is necessary for the project but has not been completed at the time of the detailed application submittal, please include a commitment letter by the current property owner indicating the property owner's willingness to transfer property in accordance with federal law.

Non-Infrastructure Project Category: Preliminary Applications

31) When applying for Non-Infrastructure (Planning) TA funding, how do we respond to questions which seem to only apply to infrastructure projects?

Answers:

Project location:

The first page of the Preliminary Application requests identification of a project in relationship to a roadway. Planning documents will likely not have specific project locations identified. Please select "Not within the right-of-way of any roadway".

Google Map link:

The first page of the Preliminary Application requests a google map link (made shareable). Project sponsors seeking Non-Infrastructure TA funding can put any of the following in this form field:

- A google map link featuring the geographic extent of assumed planning document study area
- A google map link of the jurisdiction boundaries if the planning document study area is coterminous with the entity boundaries, or
- The name of the city or census designated place if the planning document study area is coterminous with the entity boundaries.

NOTE: Project sponsors seeking Non-Infrastructure TA funding do not need "Start" and "End" points in their maps.

Project complexity:

The final page of the Preliminary Application requests project sponsors to acknowledge elements of complexity with their project location. Planning documents will likely not have specific project locations identified. Please select "No" for any elements of Project complexity that do not apply to your project.

MPOs, TMAs, and Jurisdictional Questions

32) If a TA project was not awarded funding following an MPO Call for Projects, can the project sponsor submit the project to TxDOT?

Answer:

Yes. The same project already submitted to the MPO's Call for Projects can be submitted to TxDOT's Call for Projects as long as the project is not submitted to MPO and TxDOT calls for projects concurrently. The project sponsor must fill out TxDOT's TA applications.

33) If part of our jurisdiction is in a TMA and part is outside, are we eligible to submit a project located in our jurisdiction but outside of the TMA boundary?

Answer:

Yes, TA funding eligibility is determined by project location. If the project is located inside of the TMA, it is not eligible for Community Based TA funding. Please see Table 3 and Figure 3 to determine for which project category a proposed project may be eligible. If a project crosses a TMA boundary and is therefore located both inside and outside the TMA, please contact TxDOT PTN (bikeped@txdot.gov) for additional discussion.

34) Does the local government have to outright own ROW or can an Interlocal Agreement be reached for indefinite use, for example railroad ROW?

Answer:

The project sponsor does not have to own the ROW for the project but must have consent from the ROW owner. Proposed improvements may be located on state-maintained roadway ROW ("on-system") or on property owned by the project sponsor or a third party ("off-system"). Projects may be constructed on private property if the proper easement is obtained, and the easement allows public access. Projects that include state-maintained ROW or have a direct effect on an existing state-maintained roadway must have a recent letter of consent, addressed to the project sponsor, and signed by the current TxDOT District Engineer of the TxDOT district in which the project is located. This consent cannot be delegated.

A railroad agreement may be necessary for projects that cross a railroad. Coordination with a railroad is required for all projects that are within 100 feet of railroad right-of-way (including grade-separated crossings) and/or all projects that begin or end within 500 feet from an at-grade highway-rail crossing to ensure traffic control and construction do not interfere with an active crossing. Obtaining railroad approval can take several months and in some instances several years. More information will be provided in the Detailed Application instructions.

Transportation Development Credits (TDC), Economically Disadvantaged Counties Program (EDCP), and local match requirements

35) Which projects are eligible under provisions of the Transportation Development Credits (TDCs)?

Answer:

<u>Under TxDOT's 2023 TA Call for Projects</u>, eligibility for TDCs is as follows:

- 1. The project is located in an economically disadvantaged county certified by the commission for FY 2023, or
- 2. The project is located in a city/Census Designated Place (CDP) that meets all of the following criteria:
 - Population less than 200,000
 - Below state average per capita taxable property value¹
 - Below state average per capita income², and
 - Above state average unemployment³

The Program Guide <u>identifies cities and CDPs that are eligible for TDCs in a table format.</u> For a map of cities and CDPs <u>eligible to use TDCs for local match please use this link:</u>

(https://txdot.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=eb6b53d80aef46a3a9f5c28dd4248597).

¹ Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts; 2020 City Rates and Levies, Total Property Market Value and U.S. Census Bureau; 2020 5-Year American Community Survey, Table DP05, Total Population

 $^{^{2}}$ U.S. Census Bureau; 2020 5-Year Community Survey, Table DP03, Per Capita Income

³ U.S. Census Bureau; 2020 5-Year Community Survey, Table DP03, Civilian Unemployment Rate

<u>For rural projects located outside jurisdictional boundaries or CDPs not identified on the map, contact TxDOT-PTN</u> for guidance.

36) If a proposed project location extends across the county boundary between two counties where one county is eligible for TDCs and one county is not, how does TxDOT determine TDC eligibility?

Answer:

If a project extends into two counties and one county is eligible for TDCs and one does not, then TxDOT will prorate the reduction percentage according to the proportion of the project located in the TDC eligible area.

NOTE: These are rare situations and will be handled on a case-by-case basis. If a project sponsor believes this situation applies, please notify TxDOT-PTN at BikePed@txdot.gov for assistance in accommodating these reductions on the submitted detailed application.

37) If my community is eligible for TDCs, is there a limit to the amount of credit or is it automatically no cash match?

Answer:

TDCs allow for 100% federal TA funds to be applied to the project in lieu of a local match, so eligible projects will require no cash match.

38) If the project sponsor has used MPO TDCs for a previous project, can the project sponsor still qualify to use TxDOT TDCs for this call for projects?

Answer:

Previous usage of TDCs does not impact a project sponsor's eligibility for TDC during the TxDOT 2023 Call for Projects. TDC eligibility criteria for TxDOT's 2023 Call for Projects can be found in the Program Guide (pages 15 and 16). Additionally, project sponsors can investigate eligibility using TxDOT's TDC eligibility map

(https://txdot.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=eb6b53d80aef46a3a9f5c28dd42 48597). TDCs granted by an MPO may not be used as match for TxDOT's TA funds.

39) MPOs are now eligible project sponsors for TxDOT's TA Call for Projects. Will MPOs be required to provide a 20% local match?

Answer:

Yes, MPOs who are not eligible for TDCs will be required to provide a 20% local match while federal funds will cover 80% of the project. MPOs may wish to partner with a local government(s) to provide the 20% local match.

40) A potential project sponsor has secured funding for the engineering design phase and a portion of the construction phase, can this potential project sponsor use this funding as their local match for TxDOT TA funds?

Answer:

The Transportation Alternatives program no longer accepts in-kind contributions in lieu of local cash matches. Additionally, in most cases, other federal funding cannot be used for local match. Funds from other federal funding programs may be used as a local funding match only when specifically authorized by federal law or regulation.

41) Are in-kind local matches acceptable for this funding program?

Answer:

The Transportation Alternatives program no longer accepts in-kind contributions in lieu of local cash matches.

42) If a project is selected for funding by the Texas Transportation Commission as part of TxDOT's 2023 TA Call for Projects, when will project sponsors (with funded projects) be required to pay their local match?

Answer:

If TxDOT implements a project on behalf of the project sponsor, then the project sponsor would be responsible for paying its entire local match for each phase of work prior to initiation of that phase.

The local funding match for the preliminary engineering phase, including TxDOT's direct state cost for review of project plans and environmental documentation, would be due to TxDOT within 30 days of the local government receiving the fully executed Advance Funding Agreement (AFA). The AFA should be executed between 6 months and one year after the date that the commission selected the project for funding. If a project is state let, the remaining local match for construction and direct state costs for construction oversight would be due to TxDOT 60 days prior to TxDOT's construction letting of the project.

If the project sponsor is responsible for developing preliminary engineering documents for federal participation and/or a local letting is authorized, the local government would remit the local match for TxDOT's direct state costs at the beginning of each phase of work. The project sponsor would then pay its contractors up front and be reimbursed for 80% of the eligible construction costs, plus any local match adjustment.

Procurement/Hiring consultants

43) Can the project sponsor hire a consultant to help with its application?

Answer:

Yes. Project sponsors should be aware that any work done prior to the state's letter of authority is not reimbursable with TA funds. Work to develop the application is not reimbursable with TA program funds.

44) Once the project sponsor incurs federally reimbursable costs, how long will it take for project sponsors to receive reimbursement from TxDOT?

Answer:

Following district review and acceptance of a complete invoice, TxDOT is required to provide reimbursement to the project sponsor within 30 days.

45) When hiring a consultant, when is a local government required to meet Federal Procurement Requirements?

Answer:

Federal Procurement Requirements must be followed when the Local Government is reimbursed with federal dollars. When procuring professional services, the local government must submit federally compliant procurement procedures to TxDOT for review and approval or adopt TxDOT's procurement process. In addition, contracts between the local government and consultants must include applicable federal requirements, and be submitted to TxDOT for review and approval, prior to execution. Federal Procurement Requirements apply regardless of whether the project is let for construction by TxDOT or by the local government.

The Federal Highway Administration's federal-aid essentials for local public agencies video library includes a video entitled *Hiring a Consultant using Competitive Negotiation Procedures* that provides an overview of the hiring process. Here is the video link: https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/federal-aidessentials/catmod.cfm?id=7.

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For additional guidance on Procurement, Management, and Administration of Engineering and Design Related Services - Questions and Answers visit: https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/programadmin/172ga 01.cfm

46) If the project sponsor is not seeking reimbursement for design and environmental documentation, then does the project sponsor need to follow federal rules?

Answer:

If the project sponsor does not intend to seek reimbursement for design and environmental documentation, the project sponsor does not need to comply with Federal Procurement Requirements. Project sponsors must still follow other state requirements for project development.

47) If an engineering firm completed the project application and project receives an award, is that engineering firm eligible to complete preliminary engineering and/or environmental documentation the work?

Answer:

There is nothing in the Local Government program or FHWA guidance that would preclude them from participating. However, the LG and the engineering firm may want to review the Texas Engineering Code (Section 663.4 - Conflicts of Interests) and apply the code on the specifics of the project activities.

LGs need to insure however that while a consultant can aid in preparation of the application and still be eligible to prepare the PS&E etc., no consultant involved in preparing any relevant procurement documents is eligible to be considered for that procurement [2 CFR 200.319(b)].

48) If the City has a contract inspector, are those allowable/reimbursable expenses? Would an on-staff inspector be a reimbursable expense?

Answer:

Both a contracted inspector and a LG employee inspector conducting construction inspections are eligible for reimbursement under the program.

49) Can project administration of the construction phase be contracted out? Can project administration for construction be procured at the same time as PS&E?

<u>Answer</u>

Yes, administration of the project during construction can be contracted out and can be procured at the same time as the contract for development of the plans, specification & estimate (PS&E) and environmental documentation. The local government would need to ensure that the PS&E procurement document includes construction phase administration in the contract's scope of work. If the local government is seeking federal reimbursement, then the procurement process must meet federal procurement requirements. If a local government is not seeking federal reimbursement for construction administration, then the local government needs to follow state and local government procurement rules. If a local government contracts administration of construction, the local government will still need to designate a Responsible Person in Charge (RPIC) who is a full-time employee of the local government and remains engaged in the project, maintains familiarity with day-to-day project operations, makes or participate in decisions about change orders, reviews financial processes, transactions and documentation, and directs project staff (agency or consultant) at all stages of the project. The local government's RPIC will be TxDOT's main point of contact for the project.

Project Design and Environmental Documentation

50) Can a project that is just Engineering Design & Environmental be competitive?

Answer:

Project applications submitted to TxDOT's 2023 TA Call for Projects that are not a planning document submitted in the Active Transportation Non-Infrastructure category must include a request for construction funding. During project evaluation, TxDOT may identify potential constructability concerns (e.g., drainage issues, limited ROW, substantially inadequate budget, etc.). In this situation, TxDOT may recommend a project be phased and advanced for preliminary engineering (i.e., PS&E, and environmental documentation) only. If a project is awarded preliminary engineering funding only, the project must be resubmitted in a future call for projects to be considered for construction funding.

51) Can you clarify the requirements for turning in documents 20 weeks prior to letting? Is that for 60% PS&E? the Quality Assurance plan??

Answer:

The 20-week timeframe is specific to the Plans, Specifications & Estimate (PS&E). Most likely you're submitting 30% schematics, then 60%, then 90%. That 90% is typically submitted 20 weeks before letting. It may take less time, but that's the general guidance we provide. That's a discussion you can have with your TxDOT Project Manager. They will look at their workload and provide a timeframe. The Quality Assurance plan can be submitted towards the end of the PS&E development. We encourage Local Governments to adopt TxDOT's Quality Assurance plan for these projects.

52) If our sidewalk is connecting to a sidewalk along school property do we need to make sure that sidewalk is brought up standards?

Answer:

There is no requirement to upgrade sidewalks that your project connects to. However, the project may be more effective, overall, if improvements are made to the connecting facility, such as improvements to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Note that sidewalks within school property for internal circulation only would not be eligible for TxDOT's TA funds. Publicly accessible sidewalks along school property that serve the greater pedestrian or bicycle transportation network would be eligible.

53) Must trails/sidewalks meet any AASHTO standards such as lighting and/or call boxes?

Answer:

The need for lighting and call boxes is context dependent and should be considered where appropriate to enhance visibility and user safety. All bicycle/pedestrian infrastructure design must comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and meet or exceed the minimum design requirements identified in the latest edition of TxDOT's Roadway Design Manual. Pedestrian facilities must conform to the Public Right of Way Accessibility Guidelines (latest edition) as published by the US Access Board or the 2010 ADA Standards and Texas Accessibility Standards, as applicable. All design criteria for on-road and off-road bicycle facilities must comply with TxDOT's Roadway Design Manual and the Guide for the Development of Bicycle Facilities (latest edition) as published by the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO). See Section I of the Program Guide for more information. In addition, further design guidelines will be provided in the Detailed Application instructions, which will be posted on TXDOT's TA funding webpage in Spring 2023.

54) Does public involvement have to take place before the detailed application is submitted?

Answer:

The project sponsor should demonstrate public awareness and support for the project in the detailed application. Additionally, any required public outreach can occur during the environmental phase of the project development process. See Section I of the 2023 TA Program Guide for more information. In 2017, the Texas State Legislature created a new public meeting requirement that states a public hearing must be held for a project that "substantially changes the layout or function of a connecting roadway or existing facility" (43 TAC §25.55). The addition of bicycle lanes is considered a substantial change under this legislation. Therefore, projects that include the addition of new bike lanes will require a public hearing. Public hearings held specifically to meet this requirement may be held any time during project development. Please refer to the Environmental Handbook for Public Involvement,

Section 6, for information about the public hearing process. http://ftp.dot.state.tx.us/pub/txdot-info/env/toolkit/760-01-gui.pdf

55) Is the project sponsor responsible for environmental mitigation/remediation? Should this cost be included into the estimated construction cost budget?

Answer:

It depends. Reimbursement of extensive remediation costs associated with mitigating environmental issues won't be eligible under the 2023 TA Program Call. However, incidental (minor) environmental mitigation/remediation may be an eligible activity and must be documented in the itemized budget in the detailed application.

Project Estimating, Letting and Construction

56) Is there a standard amount or percentage TxDOT charges for TXDOT administration costs to the applicant?

Answer:

For TxDOT's TA Program, the detailed application will automatically calculate an estimated amount for TxDOT's oversight of project development and construction (known as "direct state costs" or an administrative fee). For purposes of TxDOT's TA Program, direct state costs are calculated at 15% of the total construction cost. The direct state costs are reimbursable with federal funds at the same rate as the rest of the project, including any eligible local match reduction.

57) It was stated that projects have a 3-year letting window or TxDOT risks losing funds. When does the 3-year clock start? Is it when funds are awarded?

Answer:

The 3-year clock is dependent on when the funds are authorized to the State. TxDOT PTN programs projects based on project complexity, the proposed project timeline in the detailed application, and project readiness, as well as coordination between the local government and the district. To ensure that TA funds are utilized in a timely manner, simpler projects are programmed to let sooner, while more challenging ones are programmed to let later. It is critical that projects are advanced as expeditiously as possible once awarded, so that TxDOT can manage TA funding allocations and ensure that statewide TA funds do not lapse. Soon after project award a let date will be established for each project.

58) When would a project have to be let for construction?

Answer:

Projects should let within three years after a project is awarded funds by the Texas Transportation Commission. However, some project may need to be let sooner to ensure the state does not lapse TA funds. Actual let dates will be based on project complexity, the proposed project timeline in the detailed application, project readiness, coordination between the local government and the district, and statewide federal obligation requirements. TxDOT's executive director may eliminate a project or a portion of a project from participation in the TA program if a construction contract has not been awarded or construction has not been initiated within three years after the date that the commission selected the project.

59) If a project sponsor has limited financial and staff resources to oversee a project, will TxDOT take on project administration directly or will the applicant need to create a budget and procure services as part of the award?

Answer:

The decision as to who will let a project (TxDOT or the local project sponsor) will be determined through coordination between the TxDOT District Office who will manage the project and the local project sponsor. Some small local entities procure a consultant to assist with project management and

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oversight for a locally let project. If a project sponsor is interested in TxDOT administering a project, then the project sponsor should discuss this request with the District during the review meeting after completing the preliminary application.

60) Is there a max cost percentage of construction for "Incidental" items?

Answer:

Incidental items, such as landscape replacement, minor drainage improvements, minor environmental mitigation, and minor utility adjustments may not exceed 30% of the project's total itemized construction budget. Additionally, bicycle/pedestrian-related amenities, such as drought-tolerant shade trees, street furniture (e.g., benches, trash receptacles), wayfinding signage, and decorative lighting, should comprise no more than 5% to 10% of the total itemized construction budget, depending on the size and context of the project. In order to be reimbursed by federal funds, incidental items and amenities should be included in the Itemized Construction Cost Estimate in the detailed application.

61) How can project sponsors input their assumed inflation and contingency costs in the detailed application budget section?

Answer:

Changes in materials and labor costs due to inflation are difficult to predict. TxDOT will provide clear guidance on what contingency percentages are allowed and acceptable annual inflation rates in the detailed application instructions.

62) For TxDOT Transportation Alternatives project awards, is it possible to transfer these Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) funds to the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) for administration?

Answer:

Yes, for an entity who is also an FTA grantee, TxDOT is planning to allow TA funds to be transferred to FTA if both TxDOT and project sponsor agree. Projects must also meet the requirements of the receiving FTA grant program and must have a transit nexus (pedestrian project within ½ mile of a transit stop or bike project within 3 miles of transit stop).



