002-60M88 (June15, 2018 Letting) Question #1

Submitted Question:

Tangent Terminals:

Please advise if the tangent terminals will be required to be MASH approved or continue to use the system that is approved under NCHRP 350.

Type 6, 6A and 6B traffic barrier terminals:

The standard calls for an INCIDENTAL double nested W-Beam rail element when there is a continuous curb running the length of the terminal. Q1: Please identify which locations, if any, will have a continuous curb under the T6 terminal that would necessitate a double nested W-Beam. The Qualified Products List will be revised effective July 1, 2018 to reflect that only MASH approved guardrail barrier terminals will be allowed for the Type 1 (Special). This deadline has been established with the FHWA and as such NCHRP approved devices will not be allowed TO BE INSTALLED AFTER June 30, 2018. June 30 is a hard date and is not to be violated.

Answer:

Contractors should read the Invitation For Bids, paragraph g, EXAMINATION OF CONTRACT DOCUMENTS AND SITE OF THE WORK, regarding the existing site conditions: From that paragraph, please note: "The bidder shall inspect in detail the site of the proposed work, investigate and become familiar with all the local conditions affecting the contract and the detailed requirements for construction. Submission of a bid shall be a conclusive assurance and warranty the bidder has made these examinations and the bidder understands all requirements for the performance of the work.

If the bid is accepted, the bidder will be responsible for all errors in the proposal resulting from a failure or neglect to comply with these instructions. The Department will not be responsible for any costs, expenses, losses, or change in anticipated profits resulting from such failure or neglect of the bidder to make these examinations.