

**FAI Route 474 (I-474) Bridge Replacement**

**Contract No. 68886**

**Peoria County**

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**IDOT PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENT DETERMINATION**

To: Omer Osman, Secretary

From: Kensil A. Garnett, Region 3 Engineer

Date: 6/30/2023

Re: FAI Route 474 (I-474) Bridge Replacement Project, Contract Number 68886,  
Peoria County

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In accordance with the Project Labor Agreement Act (30 ILCS 571), it is recommended that a project labor agreement (PLA) be utilized for the above-captioned Project. This recommendation is based on the considerations indicated below.

- 1) The Project is being awarded and administered by IDOT (i.e., not by another governmental agency).
- 2) The Project is being constructed using state or local funds only (i.e., no federal funds).
- 3) The overall size, scope, sequencing, logistics or other aspects of the Project make it particularly challenging to manage, and use of a PLA is expected to help assure that the construction work is performed properly and efficiently under the circumstances. **See Attachment A.**
- 4) The duration of construction activity on the Project is expected to exceed one construction season (i.e., 110 or more working days), or the nature of the Project results in a heightened need for labor force continuity and stability over a substantial period of time. **See Attachment A.**
- 5) There is a firm construction completion date established for the Project thereby increasing the adverse consequences of any work stoppage or other labor disruption.
- 6) The time required to complete the Project is expected to extend beyond the expiration date of one or more existing collective bargaining agreements covering trades likely to be involved in the Project, thereby increasing the likelihood of work stoppage(s) or other labor disruption(s) during construction of the Project. **See Attachment A.**
- 7) In the absence of a PLA, there is an increased likelihood of jurisdictional disputes among unions or of conflict between unionized and non-unionized workers on the Project that could have a potentially material adverse effect on the time, cost, or quality of work performed on the Project.

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8) This project presents specific safety concerns to the traveling public and a PLA, will ensure labor force continuity and stability, decreasing the length of the safety concern. **See Attachment A.**

9) Use of a PLA is expected to result in improved access to skilled labor, improved efficiency, or improved safety performance on the Project.

10) Use of a PLA on the Project is not expected to have a material adverse effect on the competitive bidding process.

11) Use of a PLA on the Project is not expected to have a material adverse effect on the ability of the Department to achieve other Departmental goals (e.g., utilization of disadvantaged businesses, utilization of Illinois domiciled businesses, development of competitive vendor alternatives over time, etc.).

12) There are other material considerations favoring or disfavoring use of a PLA on this Project as follows:

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Based upon the identified considerations, we recommend that you approve use of a PLA on this Project. Upon your approval, the Department shall undertake to negotiate in good faith a PLA with the relevant labor organization(s), and shall include in all necessary bid specifications and other documents information regarding the actual or form of PLA that is to binding upon all contractors and their employees.

Submitted: *Kensil A. Garnett* 063023  
Kensil A. Garnett, Region 3 Engineer (Date)

Agreed: DocuSigned by: *Steph M. Trava* 9/7/2023 | 7:35 AM CDT  
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{Division Chief} (Date)

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{Bureau of Design & Environment} (Date)

Approved: DocuSigned by: *Omer Osman* 9/11/2023 | 9:12 AM CDT  
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Omer Osman, Secretary (Date)

FHWA concurrence in the PLA for the above mentioned contract  
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**Attachment A**

Justification for use of project Labor Agreement on Contract **68698**,  
Stark County:

The use of a project Labor Agreement on this project is consistent with all State and Local statutory regulatory requirements.

**Project Description**

This project is located approximately 0.5-mile northeast of the General Wayne A. Downing International Airport at Structure No. 072-0126 (Existing), carrying Airport Road over Interstate 474 west of Peoria in Peoria County. This project consists of the complete structure removal and replacement with a new two-span bridge comprised of steel web plate girder, fully composite concrete deck superstructure with pile bent spill through integral abutments and concrete piers on spread footings, Structure No. 072-0254 (Proposed). Cast-in-place bridge approach slabs with PCC pavement connectors will be used. The new structure grade shall be raised over Interstate 474, and hot-mix asphalt roadway and shoulders will be constructed on each end of the bridge. Also included are electrical improvements, and other related collateral work.

**Item 3:** The estimated project cost is \$11 million. The challenging logistics for this project include:

- Stringent traffic control requirements to maintain access to the International Airport.
- Contractor coordination required between this contract and an upcoming contract, 68880, the rehabilitation of the structures carrying I-474 over Kickapoo Creek and BNRR Railroad.
- Interim start and completion dates:
  - The Contractor shall be allowed to begin work on mainline Airport Road in the fall of 2023. Lane closures on I-474 will not be permitted in 2023.
  - The Contractor may begin staged construction on April 1st of 2024 and 2025 or an earlier date as approved by the Resident Engineer.
  - The Contractor have Airport Road traffic switched to newly constructed side of bridge, and have traffic control barrier removed off of State R.O.W., and traffic restored to normal configurations on I-474 by November 26, 2024.
- Working restrictions for I-474 and ramp closures for the removal and replacement of structural beams: This work shall be performed between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 5:30 a.m.

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**Items 4:** The Contractor will be allowed 221 working days to complete the project, with interim completion dates. Therefore, the duration of construction activity on the Project will exceed one construction season and there is heightened need for labor force continuity and stability over a substantial period of time.

**Item 6:** The time required to complete the project extends beyond the expiration of one or more existing collective bargaining agreements covering trades likely to be involved in the project. The trades that will be used on this project include but are not limited to those listed below. Trade contracts expiring prior to the anticipated construction completion date are indicated with bold font.

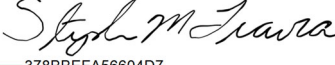
<u>Local Trade</u>	<u>Current Contract Expiration Date</u>
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Electricians 34	<b>February 29, 2024</b>
Iron Workers 112	<b>April 30, 2025</b>
Laborers 165	<b>April 30, 2025</b>
Operating Engineers 649	<b>March 31, 2025</b>
Teamsters 627	<b>April 30, 2025</b>

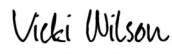
**Item 8:** The project allows for temporary lane width reductions at multiple locations within in the construction zone with adequate notice and proper signage. Any disruption to the contractor's schedule due to labor issues may result in an increase in duration of the project. This, in turn, could increase the length of time the traffic control will be in place and the duration of reduced lane widths. The district desires to minimize the length of time traffic control is required and the length of time reduced lane widths are needed to reduce the potential for crashes and to improve safety.

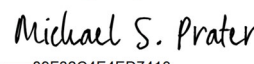
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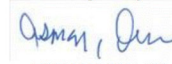
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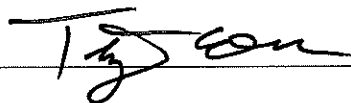
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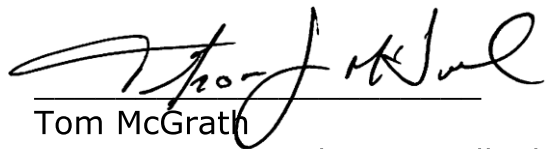
**Illinois AFL-CIO Statewide Project Labor Agreement Committee, representing the Unions listed below:**

  
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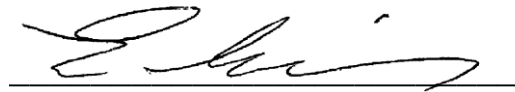
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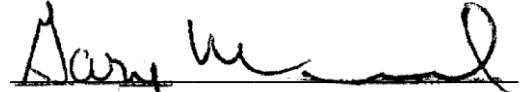
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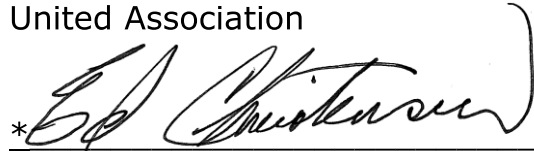
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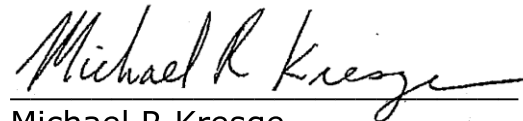
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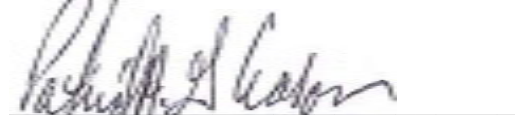
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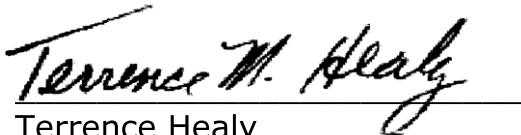
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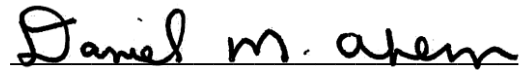
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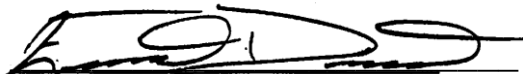
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\*Elevator Constructors master agreement language  
must be attached to PLA