

## TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION OF WYOMING

The Transportation Commission of Wyoming met in the Commission Room of the Transportation Headquarters building in Cheyenne on November 19, 2015. The meeting was convened at 8:30 a.m. by Chairman Anderson. The following members were present constituting a quorum:

Clair Anderson, Chairman, Riverton  
K. John Dooley, Vice Chairman, Laramie  
Bruce McCormack, Commissioner, Cody  
Bob Ruwart, Commissioner, Wheatland  
Todd Seeton, Commissioner, Jackson  
Mike Larson, Commissioner, Lusk  
Rick Newton, Commissioner, Buffalo  
Bill Panos, Interim Director  
Sandra J. Scott, Commission Secretary

Also present at and participating in the meeting were: Ken Spear, Contracts and Estimates Engineer; Ken Shultz, Assistant Chief Engineer of Operations; Major Perry Jones, Support Services Commander, Wyoming Highway Patrol; Dennis Byrne, Aeronautics Administrator; Mike Kahler, Senior Assistant Attorney General; Sam Voyles, Assistant Attorney General; Rodney Freier, Budget Officer; Doug McGee, Public Affairs Manager; and Joe Dailey, Division Administrator, Federal Highway Administration.

Those absent: Gregg Fredrick, Chief Engineer; Tom Loftin, Support Services Administrator; and Colonel Kebin Haller, Highway Patrol Administrator.

1. Pledge of Allegiance: Chairman Anderson led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Approval of Minutes: It was recommended by Secretary Scott, moved by Commissioner Ruwart, seconded by Commissioner Seeton, and carried to approve the minutes from the October 15, 2015, breakfast meeting, regular business meeting, executive session, and education session.
3. Director Panos presented the Director's report.

Federal Surface Transportation Bill: MAP-21, the current surface transportation authorization bill, expired September 30, 2014, and an extension is effective until November 20, 2015. The U.S. Senate and U.S. House of Representatives continue to work on a new bill that, if passed, would authorize up to six years of highway, transit, and highway safety programs, but provides revenue only until FY 2018. The bill is now in conference committee, and the two legislative bodies are working to resolve differences. If the bill is not signed by President Obama by November 20, another short term extension will be necessary. If no additional revenue is provided, which seems likely, the FHWA may implement cash management provisions to slow outlays. The slowing may impact WYDOT's cash flow and its ability to pay contractors. WYDOT is working with Mr. John DeVierno, attorney for the five-state coalition, and Wyoming Congressional staffers to present and protect rural perspectives on freight, safety, and other issues during conference deliberations. Potential changes to the Senate's favorable freight

provisions are being monitored and addressed whenever possible. Director Panos also submitted letters on November 5 to Wyoming's Congressional delegations outlining key conference concepts.

Director Panos plans to meet with Wyoming's Congressional delegations while he's in Washington, D.C., in early December for a different meeting with U.S. Secretary of Transportation Anthony Foxx.

State Hiring Freeze: Pursuant to Governor Mead's directive for agencies to cut budgets and implementation of a statewide hiring freeze, WYDOT continues to seek areas to save and to not fill positions wherever possible. Exception requests are being sent to Governor Mead for safety-related and vital seasonal maintenance operations positions, and the majority of those are being approved.

Director Panos advised that WYDOT is committed to its participation in the Governor's desire to cut the budget and the hiring freeze. The Department has held back about 70 positions in the hiring freeze so far.

Meeting with FHWA Division Office: Director Panos recently met with members of the FHWA Division office, and was very impressed with their knowledge of, commitment to, and partnership with WYDOT.

Meeting with AASHTO Executive Director: Director Panos is scheduled to meet with the AASHTO Executive Director Bud Wright today to be briefed about current affairs.

Meetings with WYDOT Employees: Director Panos continues to visit various offices around Headquarters and statewide, when possible, to meet the employees and to learn more about them and their jobs, and to allow them an opportunity to ask questions. Director Panos also has open office hours on Fridays from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. to allow employees to visit about issues that arise. Quarterly meetings are planned for district offices to also allow field personnel to visit with Mr. Panos. Meetings so far have generated very positive employee feedback.

Joint Transportation, Highways & Military Affairs Committee Meeting: WYDOT executive staff testified before the Joint Transportation, Highways & Military Affairs Committee on November 12, 2015, about many topics. Director Panos advised that the meeting went very well, and that executive staff members will brief the Commission about the various topics under their reports during the meeting.

4. Mr. Freier presented the monthly Budget report.

The October 2015 budget report revealed that the Commission and Legislative budgets are both 10 percent expended, which is within the target budget tolerances.

Mr. Freier noted that normal expenditures for this time of year are typically at 8 percent, but purchase order rollovers for projects that began in FY 2015 drove up the expenditures in the report. An adjustment will be made in the first-quarter budget modification, which will be

presented to the Commission in January, to bring the expenditure percentages back to within the normal budget level.

5. Mr. Spear presented the Engineering and Planning report, beginning with the bid tabulations from the letting held November 13, 2015, in Cheyenne.

**COMMISSION DISTRICT 1**  
**Bob Ruwart - Commissioner**

State project SCP-TC-1400028, involving grading, milling plant mix, placing subbase and bituminous pavement surfacing, chip seal, reclaimed asphalt pavement widening, box beam guardrail, and miscellaneous work on 10.87 miles of WYO 270, beginning just north of Hartville, at reference marker (RM) 500.60, in Platte County. Completion date: October 31, 2016

Engineer's Estimate	\$4,841,510.60	
<b>McGarvin-Moberly Construction Company and Subsidiary, Worland, WY</b>	<b>\$4,422,092.33</b>	<b>-8.7%</b>
Mountain Construction Company, Lovell, WY	\$4,423,306.12	
Simon Contractors and its Subsidiaries, Cheyenne, WY	\$4,602,628.50	
Hedquist Construction, Inc., Mills, WY	\$4,796,370.10	
Knife River, Cheyenne, WY	\$5,063,569.69	
Riverside Contracting, Inc., Missoula, MT	\$4,981,654.00	
Plus 5% for Comparison	\$5,230,736.70	

It was recommended by Mr. Spear, moved by Commissioner Ruwart, seconded by Commissioner McCormack, and carried that **McGarvin-Moberly Construction Company and Subsidiary, Worland, WY**, having prequalified in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the Transportation Commission of Wyoming, be awarded the contract as low bidder.

**COMMISSION DISTRICT 2**  
**K. John Dooley - Vice Chairman**

State project SCP-TC-P221048, involving grading, milling plant mix, bituminous pavement surfacing, chip seal, and miscellaneous work on 10.26 miles of WYO 130, beginning at RM 27.94, between Saratoga and Riverside, in Carbon County. Completion date: October 31, 2016

Engineer's Estimate	\$2,735,605.00	
<b>McGarvin-Moberly Construction Company and Subsidiary, Worland, WY</b>	<b>\$2,352,256.69</b>	<b>-14.0%</b>
Mountain Construction Company, Lovell, WY	\$2,381,958.63	
H-K Contractors, Inc., Idaho Falls, ID	\$2,364,888.00	
Plus 5% for Comparison	\$2,483,132.40	
Simon Contractors and its Subsidiaries, Cheyenne, WY	\$2,712,035.08	
Knife River, Cheyenne, WY	\$2,865,669.69	
Riverside Contracting, Inc., Missoula, MT	\$2,753,935.00	
Plus 5% for Comparison	\$2,891,631.75	

It was recommended by Mr. Spear, moved by Commissioner Larson, seconded by Commissioner Ruwart, and carried that **McGarvin-Moberly Construction Company and Subsidiary, Worland, WY**, having prequalified in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the Transportation Commission of Wyoming, be awarded the contract as low bidder.

**COMMISSION DISTRICT 3  
Todd Seeton - Commissioner**

Federal project NHPPI-GM-I801184, involving grading, draining, removal of surfacing, concrete slab replacement, guardrail, and miscellaneous work on 14.85 miles of I-80, beginning at RM 12.65, between Evanston and Green River, in Uinta County. Completion date: October 31, 2016

Engineer's Estimate	\$1,870,108.00	
<b>DeBernardi Construction Company Inc., Rock Springs, WY</b>	<b>\$1,661,000.00</b>	<b>-11.2%</b>
JWright Companies, Inc., Evanston, WY	\$1,699,999.99	
S & L Industrial, Cowley, WY	\$1,844,671.50	
R.S. Bennett Construction Company, Inc., Big Piney, WY	\$1,933,718.05	
DePatco, Inc., St. Anthony, ID	\$2,488,888.00	

It was recommended by Mr. Spear, moved by Commissioner Seeton, seconded by Commissioner McCormack, and carried that **DeBernardi Construction Company Inc., Rock Springs, WY**, having prequalified in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the Transportation Commission of Wyoming, be awarded the contract as low bidder. The Federal Highway Administration concurred with this decision.

**COMMISSION DISTRICT 4  
Rick Newton - Commissioner**

Federal project NHPPI-I255115, involving grading, milling plant mix, placing crushed base and bituminous pavement surfacing, plant mix wearing course, reclaimed asphalt pavement, electrical, signing, and miscellaneous work on 11.17 miles of I-25, beginning at RM 253.07, between Kaycee and Buffalo, in Johnson County. Completion date: October 31, 2016

Engineer's Estimate	\$ 8,891,391.50	
<b>Riverside Contracting, Inc., Missoula, MT</b>	<b>\$ 7,813,696.50</b>	<b>-12.1 %</b>
H-K Contractors, Inc., Idaho Falls, ID	\$ 8,137,777.00	
Mountain Construction Company, Lovell, WY	\$ 8,322,118.00	
McGarvin-Moberly Construction Company and Subsidiary, Worland, WY	\$ 8,327,208.77	
Simon Contractors and its Subsidiaries, Cheyenne, WY	\$ 8,634,846.00	
Nelcon, Inc. and White Rock Aggregate, LLC, Kalispell, MT	\$ 8,638,000.00	
Hedquist Construction, Inc., Mills, WY	\$10,860,222.00	

It was recommended by Mr. Spear, moved by Commissioner Ruwart, seconded by Commissioner Newton, and carried that **Riverside Contracting, Inc., Missoula, MT**, having prequalified in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the Transportation Commission

of Wyoming, be awarded the contract as low bidder. The Federal Highway Administration concurred with this decision.

Federal projects STPU-GI-4641001 and ARSCT-4641A01 combined, involving grading, removal and replacement of sidewalk, curb and gutter, placing crushed base, concrete pavement, water and sanitary sewer systems, and miscellaneous work on 0.44 miles of Boxelder Road, in the city of Gillette, in Campbell County. Completion date: October 31, 2016

Engineer's Estimate	\$2,690,270.75	
<b>Hedquist Construction, Inc., Mills, WY</b>	<b>\$1,902,559.70</b>	<b>-29.3%</b>
S & S Builders, LLC, Gillette, WY	\$1,925,300.93	
Concrete Foundations, Inc., Douglas, WY	\$1,931,482.96	
Earth Work Solutions, Gillette, WY	\$1,944,522.12	
DRM, Inc., Gillette, WY	\$1,990,772.18	
Mountain View Building, Inc., Sheridan, WY	\$2,184,660.93	
High Country Construction, Inc., Lander, WY	\$2,633,110.00	

It was recommended by Mr. Spear, moved by Commissioner Newton, seconded by Commissioner Larson, and carried that **Hedquist Construction, Inc., Mills, WY**, having prequalified in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the Transportation Commission of Wyoming, be awarded the contract as low bidder. The City of Gillette has provided a letter of concurrence, and the Federal Highway Administration also concurred with this decision.

Federal projects NHPPI-I901121 and STP-P601041 combined, involving grading, draining, placing crushed base and bituminous pavement surfacing, and miscellaneous work at various locations on I-90 and US 87, between Sheridan and Buffalo, in Sheridan County. Completion date: May 31, 2016

Engineer's Estimate	\$753,702.50	
<b>DRM, Inc., Gillette, WY</b>	<b>\$708,317.25</b>	<b>-6.0%</b>
Wilson Bros. Construction, Inc., Cowley, WY	\$712,834.75	
Earth Works Solutions, Gillette, WY	\$724,689.00	
Simon Contractors and its Subsidiaries, Cheyenne, WY	\$747,200.00	
Oftedal Construction, Inc., Casper, WY	\$775,053.30	
Mountain View Building, Inc., Sheridan, WY	\$842,039.00	
Knife River, Billings, MT	\$846,046.00	

Mr. Daily noted the 36 percent disadvantaged business enterprise (DBE) effort on this project.

It was recommended by Mr. Spear, moved by Commissioner Newton, seconded by Commissioner Seeton, and carried that **DRM, Inc., Gillette, WY**, having prequalified in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the Transportation Commission of Wyoming, be awarded the contract as low bidder. The Federal Highway Administration concurred with this decision.

**COMMISSION DISTRICT 5**  
**Bruce McCormack - Commissioner**

State project SCP-TC-N311090, involving grading, milling plant mix, placing crushed base and bituminous pavement surfacing, plant mix wearing course, removal and replacement of sidewalk, curb and gutter, and electrical and miscellaneous work on 1.14 miles of US 14/16/20, beginning at RM 50.64, in the city of Cody, on 8th Street and Sheridan Avenue, in Park County. Completion date: June 15, 2016

Engineer's Estimate	\$1,998,641.50	
<b>Mountain Construction Company, Lovell, WY</b>	<b>\$1,948,684.64</b>	<b>-2.5%</b>
DePatco, Inc., St. Anthony, ID	\$1,988,488.00	
Plus 5% for Comparison	\$2,087,912.40	
H-K Contractors, Inc., Idaho Falls, ID	\$2,108,888.00	
Plus 5% for Comparison	\$2,214,332.40	
Riverside Contracting, Inc., Missoula, MT	\$2,261,000.75	
Plus 5% for Comparison	\$2,374,050.79	

It was recommended by Mr. Spear, moved by Commissioner McCormack, seconded by Commissioner Ruwart, and carried that **Mountain Construction Company, Lovell, Wyoming**, having prequalified in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the Transportation Commission of Wyoming, be awarded the contract as low bidder.

**COMMISSION DISTRICT 7**  
**Clair Anderson - Chairman**

Federal project STP-BRU-4127008, involving grading, draining, milling plant mix, placing crushed base, bituminous pavement surfacing, sidewalk, curb and gutter, removal and replacement of a structure, and miscellaneous work on 0.12 mile of Bryan Stock Trail, at the North Platte River Bridge, in Natrona County. Completion Date: October 31, 2016

Engineer's Estimate	\$3,563,157.00	
<b>Hedquist Construction, Inc., Mills, WY</b>	<b>\$2,794,453.50</b>	<b>-21.6%</b>
Reiman Corp. and Subsidiary, Cheyenne, WY	\$3,549,524.00	
S & S Builders, LLC, Gillette, WY	\$3,682,756.95	

It was recommended by Mr. Spear, moved by Commissioner Seeton, seconded by Commissioner Newton, and carried that **Hedquist Construction, Inc., Mills, Wyoming**, having prequalified in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the Transportation Commission of Wyoming, be awarded the contract as low bidder. The City of Casper has provided a letter of concurrence, and the Federal Highway Administration also concurred with this decision.

FY 2016 and 2017 Projects List: The FY 2016 and 2017 Projects List was provided to the Commission. The list is a compilation of the proposed projects from the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP), sorted by Commission district, and includes projects to be let to contract by WYDOT and supervised by agency personnel.

6. Major Jones presented the Highway Patrol report in Colonel Haller's absence.

The Fatal Crash Summary through October 31, 2015, includes 112<sup>1</sup> fatal crashes involving 124<sup>1</sup> deaths. The fatalities include 55 rollover crashes, 32 multi-car crashes, 8 fixed objects, 23 motorcycles, 2 all-terrain vehicles, 3 pedestrians, and 1 bicyclist. Of the 112 fatal crashes that occurred so far this year, 17<sup>2</sup> involved commercial vehicles.

There have been 47<sup>3</sup> fatal crashes to date deemed alcohol related, resulting in 51<sup>3</sup> deaths. Of those deaths, 39 were attributed to not using occupant restraints. A total of 27 were rollover crashes, 8 were multi-car crashes, 3 involved flying objects, 7 involved motorcycles, 1 involved an ATV, 1 involved a pedestrian, and 4 involved commercial vehicles.

Of the 124 deaths that have occurred to date this year, 64 can be attributed to the non-use of occupant restraints, with 50 involving rollover crashes, 8 involving multi-car collisions, and 6 involving fixed objects. Of the 64 deaths that occurred from non-use of occupant restraints, 54 were Wyoming residents, and 10 were non-residents. Eleven of those who perished were under 21 years of age, and 7 of those fatalities were attributed to the failure to use proper occupant restraints.

Of the 112 fatal crashes that have occurred to date this year, 63 (56 percent) of them occurred on primary/secondary highways, 22 (19 percent) occurred on interstate highways, and 28 (25 percent) occurred on city/county roads.

Ten multiple-fatality crashes have occurred on Wyoming highways so far this year, of which 7 involved multiple vehicles, 3 involved commercial vehicles, and 3 were alcohol related.

Inclement weather or road conditions contributed to 10 vehicle crashes so far this year, which resulted in 14 deaths. Speed was considered a factor in 35 of the vehicle crashes that caused 45 deaths.

The days of the week for fatal crashes in 2015 are as follows:

Sunday	14 crashes
Monday	15 crashes
Tuesday	17 crashes
Wednesday	13 crashes
Thursday	12 crashes
Friday	17 crashes
Saturday	25 crashes

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<sup>1</sup>Numbers at the time of reporting; final numbers may change.

<sup>2</sup>Number not included in the total deaths (sub-crash data).

<sup>3</sup>Not all chemical test results were available at the time of reporting.

The times of day for fatal crashes in 2015 are as follows:

12:00 a.m. to 6:00 a.m.	20 crashes
6:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.	23 crashes
12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.	37 crashes
6:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m.	33 crashes

Patrol-Investigated Crash Summary: The Patrol-Investigated Crash Summary depicts 4,961<sup>4</sup> crashes statewide, of which 4,132<sup>4</sup> involved non-commercial vehicles, and 829<sup>4</sup> involved commercial vehicles.

Major Jones is a member of the Wyoming Seatbelt Coalition. The coalition is working hard to increase seatbelt use, particularly among Wyoming citizens.

Director Panos expressed his appreciation for the long hours put in by the WHP during significant storm events, and offered to provide training for troopers to cope with the residual effects of responding to dozens of injury-related and fatal accidents that can occur throughout the course of a storm.

Trooper Recruitment Update: The Wyoming Highway Patrol (WHP) has extended offers to 11 pre-certified officers, candidates that are already certified peace officers and want to come to work for the WHP. Pre-certified officers obtain half the training of a new officer, so those candidates will become active WHP troopers in March 2016. Another 12 or 13 candidates will attend the Wyoming Law Enforcement Academy for full training, and will become active duty WHP troopers in July 2016.

The WHP also has four new K9 members and handlers. The K9s teams recently completed three weeks of intense training. The teams will be stationed in Afton/Star Valley/Jackson, Casper, Guernsey/Wheatland, and Laramie. The WHP now has 11 active K9 teams statewide. In addition to working the highways, the K9 teams also frequently assist local law enforcement agencies with drug intervention in schools and in other areas of law enforcement.

7. Mr. Byrne presented the Aeronautics report.

Sheridan Air Service Update: Mr. Byrne reported that Key Lime Air began providing service this morning. The Aeronautics Commission, Aeronautics Division, and Sheridan residents are optimistic about having air service back in the community and what it can provide in the future to provide adequate air service in Wyoming.

A few challenges still exist, one of which is to acquire approval to allow Transportation Security Administration (TSA) screening onsite. The Sheridan Airport was de-federalized when Great Lakes Aviation terminated its service. Key Lime Air is currently flying to Denver International Airport, passengers disembark the commuter plane, and a bus takes them to the normal TSA screening area.

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<sup>4</sup>Does not contain all crashes worked; some reports are still pending.



Pilot Shortage Update: Recent changes to FAA rules include an increase in the number of required pilot hours for first officers from 250 hours to 1,500 hours. The change has resulted in a significant reduction in the number of available pilots, which has impacted the regional airline carriers. The change has had a substantial impact on air service in Wyoming.

Mr. Byrne attended a meeting of the National Association of State Aviation Officials in September, and the president of the Regional Airline Association (RAA) presented a proposal that was submitted to the FAA for consideration. The ACE Proposal contains a comprehensive track to a restricted airline transport pilot license. Mr. Byrne feels that this is a step in the right direction toward stabilizing Wyoming air service.

Great Lakes Aviation Exemption Request: Great Lakes Aviation could not keep up their pilot pool because of the recent FAA rule change that requires a significantly higher number of pilot hours to co-pilot an aircraft. Great Lakes is now operating under CFR Part 135, which has less stringent requirements for pilot hours, but the change required them to remove 10 of the 19 seats from their aircraft to meet the required standards. Great Lakes has submitted an exemption request to the FAA to allow them to operate with 19 seats in the aircraft. The Aeronautics Commission, Aeronautics Division, and several other entities have written letters supporting the request.

8. Mr. Shultz presented the Operations report.

It was recommended by Mr. Shultz, moved by Commissioner McCormack, seconded by Commissioner Larson, and carried to approve, by consent, the following bids:

- Bid number 15-349 to furnish 344,105 gallons of fast-drying, acrylic traffic line paint (191,530 gallons of white traffic line paint, and 152,575 gallons of yellow traffic line paint), for delivery at various statewide locations. The bid was awarded to Ennis Paint, Inc., of Thomasville, North Carolina, for the sum of \$2,547,094.58.
- Bid number 16-003 to furnish 10 each, new, current model 35-series, crew cab and chassis trucks, for delivery in Basin, Casper, Cheyenne, Evanston, Rock Springs, Sundance, and Thermopolis. The bid was awarded to Spradley Barr Motors, Inc., of Cheyenne, Wyoming, for the sum of \$260,600.00.
- Bid number 16-004 to furnish two each, new, current model, 25-series, four-wheel-drive, crew cab and chassis trucks, for delivery in Cheyenne and Thermopolis. The bid was awarded to Spradley Barr Motors, Inc., of Cheyenne, Wyoming, for the sum of \$50,340.00.
- Bid number 16-012 to furnish three each, new, current model, Class 7 cab and chassis trucks, for delivery in Cheyenne. The bid was awarded to Jack's Truck & Equipment, of Gillette, Wyoming, for the sum of \$230,160.00.
- Bid number 16-013 to furnish six each, new, current model, Class 8 cab and chassis trucks, for delivery in Cheyenne. The bid was awarded to Jack's Truck & Equipment, of Gillette, Wyoming, for the sum of \$583,716.00.
- Bid number 16-015 to furnish 16 each, new, current model, 8-cubic-yard dump bodies, for delivery in Cheyenne. The bid was awarded to Ameri-Tech Equipment Company, of Evansville, Wyoming, for the sum of \$185,952.00.

- Bid number 16-016 to furnish 16 each, new, current model, self-unloading, abrasive spreaders, for delivery in Cheyenne. The bid was awarded to CMI-Teco, of Casper, Wyoming, for the sum of \$189,954.00.
- Bid number 16-020 to furnish janitorial maintenance at the Southeast Welcome Center located at the High Plains Interchange on I-25, south of Cheyenne. The bid was awarded to Kleen Sweep Janitorial, Inc., of Cheyenne, Wyoming, for the sum of \$54,000.00.

It was recommended by Mr. Shultz, moved by Commissioner Ruwart, seconded by Commissioner Seeton, and carried to approve purchase for bid number 15-347 to furnish a remodel of the second floor of the WYDOT Planning Building, located at Headquarters in Cheyenne. The bid was awarded to Synergy Construction, LLC, of Lovell, Wyoming, for the sum of \$231,000.00.

It was recommended by Mr. Shultz, moved by Commissioner Newton, seconded by Commissioner Larson, and carried to approve purchase for bid number 15-348 to furnish 2,746,000 pounds of reflective glass spheres (Type I), for delivery at various statewide locations. The bid was awarded to Swarco Reflex, LLC, of Mexia, Texas, for the sum of \$779,864.00.

It was recommended by Mr. Shultz, moved by Commissioner McCormack, seconded by Commissioner Seeton, and carried to approve purchase for bid number 16-018 to furnish 6,500 tons of Type A, ½-inch maintenance stockpiled material (on-demand salt/sand) and aggregate for maintenance stockpiles, for delivery at various statewide locations. The bid was awarded to Willits Company, Inc., of Cheyenne, Wyoming, for the sum of \$165,375.00; and 71 Construction, of Rawlins, Wyoming, for the sum of \$106,880.00; for a total sum of \$272,255.00.

9. Enterprise Resource Project Upgrade: WYDOT recently went live with its ERP upgrade. A few glitches were encountered, but almost all of them have been resolved, and the system is working well.

10. General Matters: Secretary Scott briefed the Commission about draft bill 16LSO-0155, “Boards and commissions-party affiliation,” which was passed during the Corporations, Elections, and Political Subdivisions Interim Committee meeting on November 17, 2015. If the bill passes in the 2016 legislative session, the Transportation Commission will require a 5 and 2 political party split, as opposed to the current 6 and 1 party split requirement.

The bill has a July 1, 2016, effective date, and the next group of commissioners will cycle off the Commission in February 2017. The bill in its current form will necessitate one of the current members leaving the Commission early so the Governor could seat a non-Republican for the remaining nine months of the term. Director Panos indicated he will work with the Governor’s office and WYDOT’s legal team to try and change the effective date to streamline the process by allowing the existing commissioners to finish out their terms in accordance with the current statute.

11. It was moved by Commissioner Newton, seconded by Commissioner Ruwart, and carried to adjourn the meeting. Chairman Anderson adjourned the meeting at 10:55 a.m., on Thursday, November 19, 2015.