



PreRFP Meeting:
14-6SDP5001 and 14-6SDP5002
CEI, IH 35 CapEx Downtown and University, Austin District



October 20, 2025

Housekeeping

- Thank you for attending
- Questions may be submitted in the meeting chat or by emailing PEPS
- This presentation, preclusion list, draft scope, and attendance list will be posted online
- Relevant questions and responses will also be posted by Monday, November 3

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Introduction

PEPS Austin Service Center Procurement Engineer

- Todd Speck, P.E., CTCM
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PEPS Austin Service Center Procurement Support

- Charles K. Davidson, P.E., CTCM – PEPS Metro Procurement Section Director
- Arash Mott, P.E.
- Patricia Litchfield
- Adrianna Perryman
- Maria Bolanos, CTCM, CTCD

Please do not contact Consultant Selection Team

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Procurement Process

- Two Specific Deliverable (SD) procurements of one contract each providing Construction Engineering and Inspection (CEI) professional services for the Austin District: IH 35 Capital Express, advance construction, of Downtown (Holly Street to MLK) and University (MLK to US 290E) projects.

Procurement Process

Two specific deliverable contracts.

FEDERAL PROCESS WITH INTERVIEWS

- Solicitation – request for proposal (RFP)
- Response – proposal submitted within Euna (formerly Bonfire)
- Short List – based upon proposal scores
- Interview
- Selection – based upon interview scores
- Negotiations
- Contract Execution

Procurement Process

Other Key Items

- RFP Screening
Follow the RFP and submit all applicable documents
- Proposal Evaluation
Short list based on proposal scores
- Interview Contract Guide (ICG)
Shortlisted firms will receive the ICG which outlines the process, presentation topic, and scoring criteria
- PEPS Negotiations Center
Hourly Labor Rates, Unit Cost, ODEs
- Austin District Negotiations
Scope level of effort

Procurement Process

Standard Work Categories

Work Categories	Description
1.8.1	Public Involvement
11.1.1	Roadway Construction Management And Inspection
11.2.1	Bridge Construction Management And Inspection
11.3.1	Construction Superintendent
11.4.1	Environmental Inspections
11.6.1	Construction Schedule Support- General
11.8.1	Construction Schedule Support- Relating to Construction Management of Projects Including Bridges or Multi-level Interchanges
11.9.1	Railroad Coordination Management During Construction
11.10.1	Construction Record Keeper
12.1.1	Asphaltic Concrete Production
12.1.2	Portland Cement Concrete
12.1.3	Materials Engineering
12.1.4	Asphaltic Concrete Placement

Procurement Process

Standard Work Categories

Work Categories	Description
12.1.5	Portland Cement Concrete Placement
12.1.6	Embankment/Subgrade/Backfill/Base Production
12.1.7	Embankment/Subgrade/Backfill/Base Placement
12.2.1	Concrete Plant Inspection And Testing
12.2.5	Hot Mix Asphalt (HMA) Plant Inspection and Testing
14.1.1	Soil Exploration
14.2.1	Geotechnical Testing
15.2.1	Design Survey
15.2.2	Construction Survey
18.2.1	Subsurface Utility Engineering (Utility Eng. Investigation)
18.5.1	Utility Construction Management and Verification

Procurement Process

Non-Listed Work Categories

None

Reminders:

- WCs and NLCs subject to change
- NLC requirements change from procurement to procurement
- NLCs are pass/fail. Demonstrate how you meet minimum requirements
- Make sure to show months/years of experience for each project worked

Procurement Process

RFP

- Provide all required documents in the attachments
- Proposal Content developed to guide your proposal to focus on the needs for this contract
- Always refer to the RFP posted in Euna for all submittals required
- Past-performance will be captured at the RFP scoring

What we are looking for in your proposal

- We are interested in selecting the most qualified consultant for the contract
- Target your Proposal to the Proposal Content
- Provide detailed examples and include challenges and lessons learned
- Quality over Quantity
- Not a key-word search; this is about your capabilities, experience, knowledge, and thought process

Procurement Process

Interview and Contract Guide (ICG)

TxDOT will provide the following

- Scope of work with technical requirements and qualifications required to provide the services of this contract
- Presentation Content
- Evaluation criteria
- Interview format
- Interview schedule

Typical Interview process

- TxDOT Introductions and Instructions
- Consultants begin with presentation based on the Presentation Content provided in ICG
- CST Break
- Questions and Answer Session
- Concluding Remarks
- The CST members individually score the interviews
- The individual scores will be consolidated to determine the selected provider

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Contract No.	Prime Provider Name	Subprovider Name
14-4SDP5004	Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc.	
		C&M Associates, Inc.
		Cigann, LLC
		ESKAY Group, LLC
		GGE Design & Consulting, LLC
		ISANI Consultants, L.P.
		Omega Engineers, Inc.
		Rifeline, LLC
		The Estes Group, LLC

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Contract No.	Prime Provider Name	Subprovider Name
14-3SDP5001	HNTB Corporation	
		American Structurepoint, Inc.
		B2Z Engineering, LLC
		Rifeline, LLC
		Sanchez-Salazar & Associates, LLC
		Surveying and Mapping, LLC
		Teague Nall and Perkins, Inc.
		Luster National, Inc.

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Contract No.	Prime Provider Name	Subprovider Name
14-3SDP5006	WSP USA INC.	
		Bartlett & West, Inc
		Civil Systems Engineering, Inc
		CONSOR Engineers, LLC
		Foresight Planning And Engineering Services, LLC
		GGE Design & Consulting, LLC
		IEA, Inc.
		K Friese & Associates, Inc.
		Maldonado-Burkett, LLP

Preclusions: 14-6SDP5001 Cap Ex Downtown

Contract No.	Prime Provider Name	Subprovider Name
14-3SDP5006 (cont'd)	WSP USA INC. (cont'd)	Structural Engineering Associates, Inc.
		MWM Design Group, Inc.
		Cobb, Fendley & Associates, Inc.
14-3IDP5006	Pape-Dawson Consulting Engineers, Inc.	
		VRX, Inc.
		The Estes Group, LLC
		The Rios Group, Inc.

Preclusions: 14-6SDP5002 Cap Ex University

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14-4SDP5004	Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc	
		C&M Associates, Inc.
		Cigann, Llc
		ESKAY Group, LLC
		GGE Design & Consulting, LLC
		ISANI Consultants, L.P.
		Omega Engineers, Inc.
		Rifeline, LLC
		The Estes Group, LLC

Preclusions: 14-6SDP5002 Cap Ex University

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Contract No.	Prime Provider Name	Subprovider Name
14-3SDP5007	VOLKERT, INC.	
		Atkins North America, Inc.
		Foresight Planning & Engineering Services, LLC
		Horrocks Engineers, Inc.
		LJA Engineering, Inc.
		Quiddity Engineering, LLC
		Schnabel Engineering, LLC
		Structural Engineering Associates, Inc.
		WSB & Associates, Inc. DBA WSB Engineers and Surveyors, Inc.

Appeals Process / Restrictions

Preclusion Appeals Process

- Prior to RFP posting
 - Email Martin L. Rodin, P.E.
 - Include Solicitation No. 14-6SDP5001 or 14-6SDP5002
 - Explain rationale for removal from preclusion list
- After RFP posting
 - Formal appeal outlined in Title 43 TAC § 9.7
 - Mail letter to TxDOT Executive Director
 - Include above requested information
 - Procurement process is not paused

Core Team Restrictions

- None anticipated

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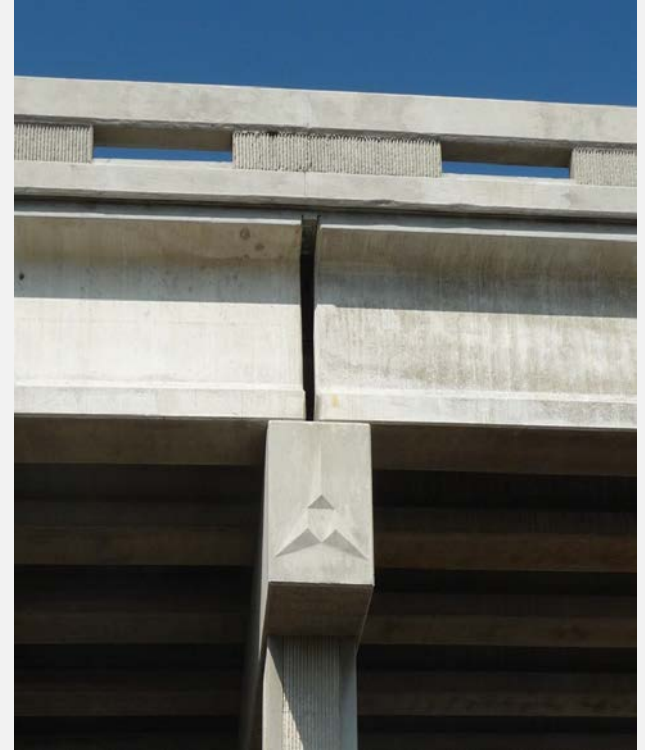


Solicitation Timeline (Tentative)

Task	Date
Pre-Solicitation meeting:	Today
RFP Posted on Bonfire:	Week of 12-1-2026
Proposal Due:	Week of 12-22-2026
Shortlist, ICG:	Weeks of 1-12-2026 to 1-26-2026
Interviews :	Weeks of 1-26-2026 to 2-9-2026
Provider Selection:	By 3-2026
Contract Execution:	6-2026

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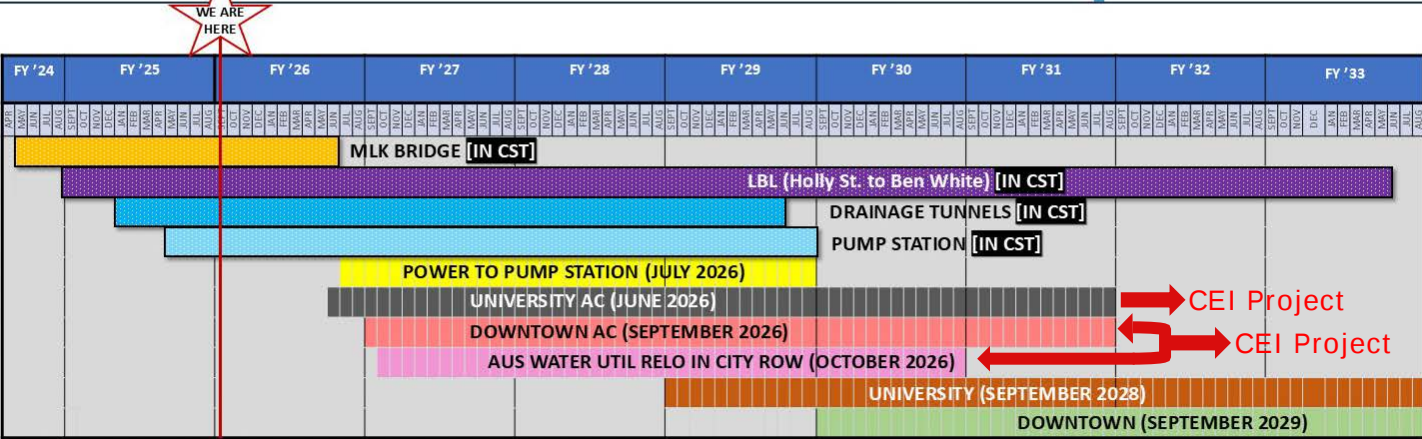
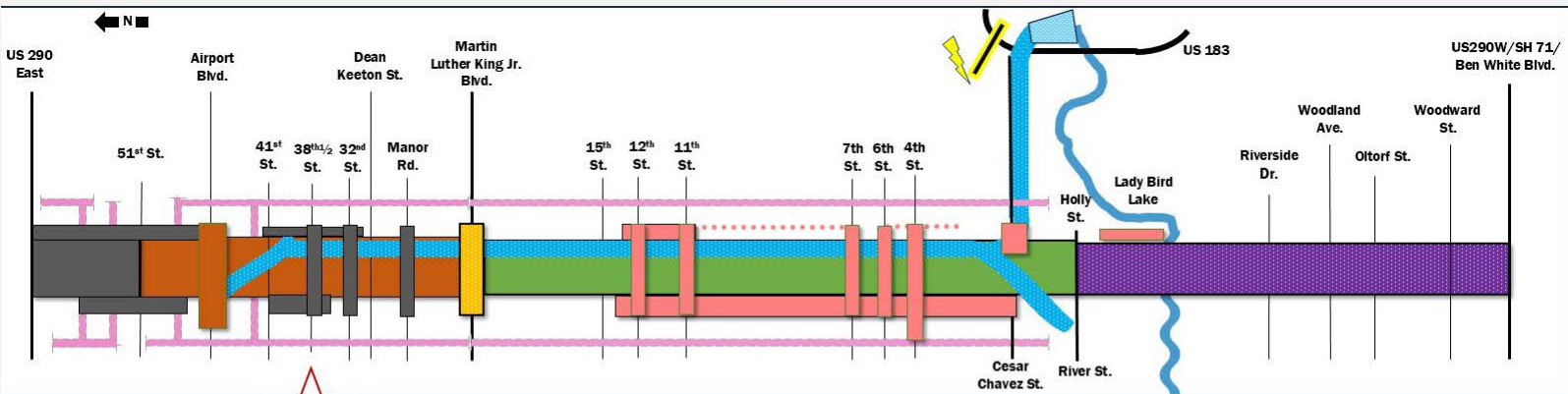


I-35 Capital Express Central Project - Overview

- Limits: US 290 East to SH 71/Ben White Boulevard
- Length: 8 miles
- Project Details:
 - Construct two non-tolled managed lanes in each direction.
 - Reconstruct ramps, bridges and intersections.
 - Improve frontage roads.
 - Enhance bicycle and pedestrian paths.
 - Accommodate transit routes.
- Estimated Construction cost: \$4.5 billion
- Construction start: Late 2024





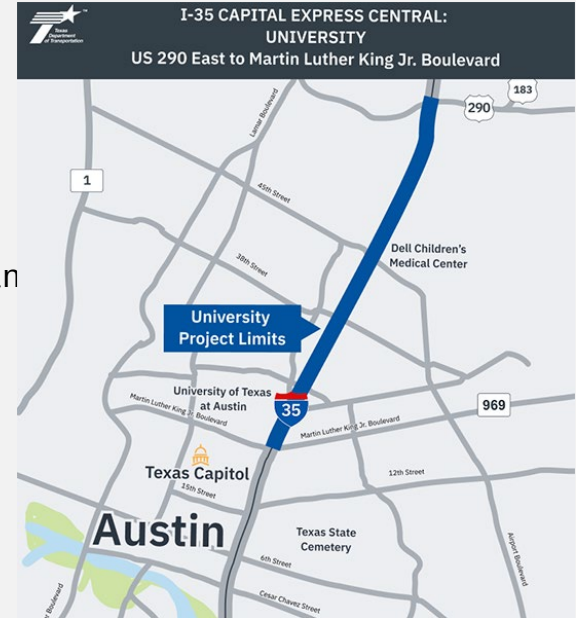


AC = Advance construction activities prior to drainage tunnel/pump station completion
CST = Construction
FY = Fiscal year (begins September every year)

CEI Project
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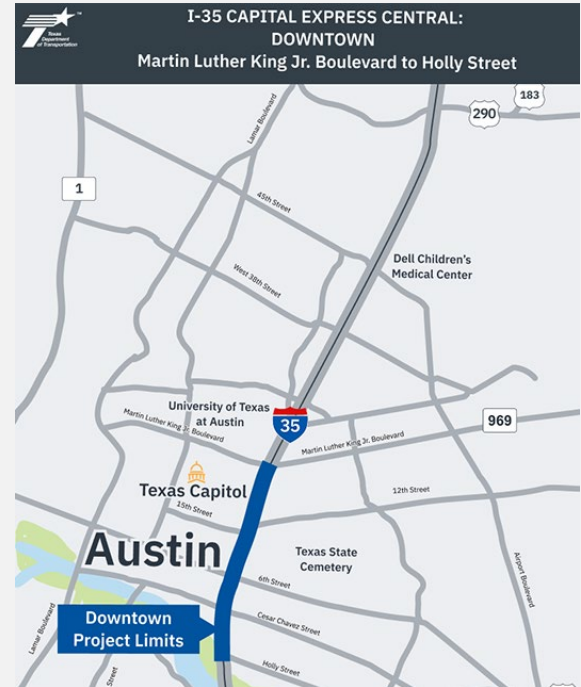
University Advance Construction Project

- **Limits:** US 290 East to Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard
- **Details:**
 - Reconstruct northbound and southbound I-35 mainlanes and frontage roads.
 - Reconstruct cross-street bridges at: 38th 1/2 Street, 32nd Street and Manor Road.
 - Construct bypass lanes, utilities and a pedestrian bridge south of Renli Street.
 - Enhance bicycle and pedestrian paths at I-35 and US 290.
 - Relocate utilities, including proposed utility bridges.
- **Estimated let date:** June 2026
- **Anticipated construction start:** Late 2026



Downtown Advance Construction Project

- **Downtown AC Limits:** Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard to Holly Street
- **Austin Water Breakout Limits:** US 290 East to Holly Street
- **Details:**
 - Reconstruct northbound and southbound I-35 mainlanes, frontage roads, including adding a boulevard section between 1st St and 8th St.
 - Reconstruct I-35 cross streets, including proposed bridges at: 4th Street, 6th Street, 7th Street, 11th Street, and 12th Street.
 - Relocate utilities, including proposed utility bridges.
 - Enhance bicycle and pedestrian paths.
- **Estimated let date:**
 - Downtown AC (September 2026)
 - Austin Water Breakout (October 2026)
- **Anticipated construction start:** Early 2027



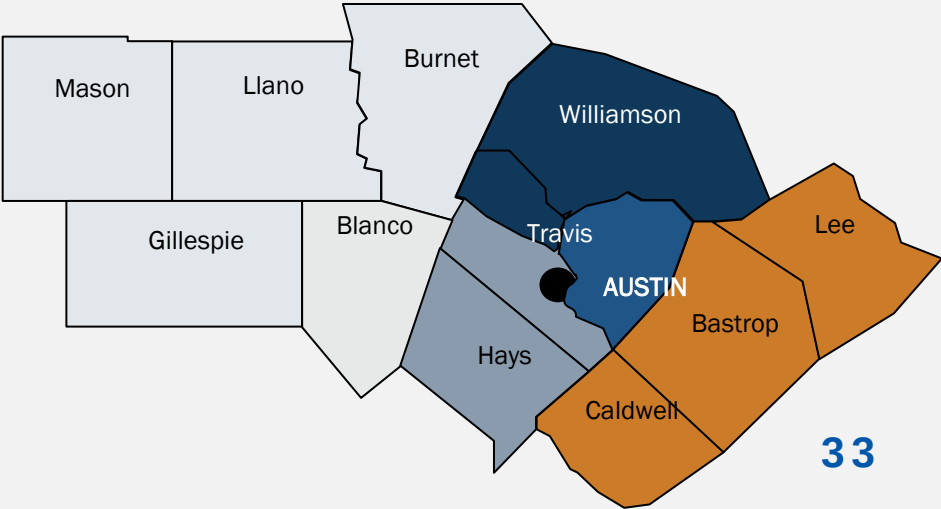
Project Manager and Area Office

Cap Ex University – 0015-13-423
US 290 East to MLK Blvd.
PM: TBD
AE: Daniel Fleischman, P.E.

Cap Ex Downtown – 0015-13-442
MLK Blvd. to Holly Street
PM: TBD
AE: Daniel Fleischman, P.E.

Area Office Legend	
	Bastrop
	Burnet
	North Travis
	Georgetown
	South Travis

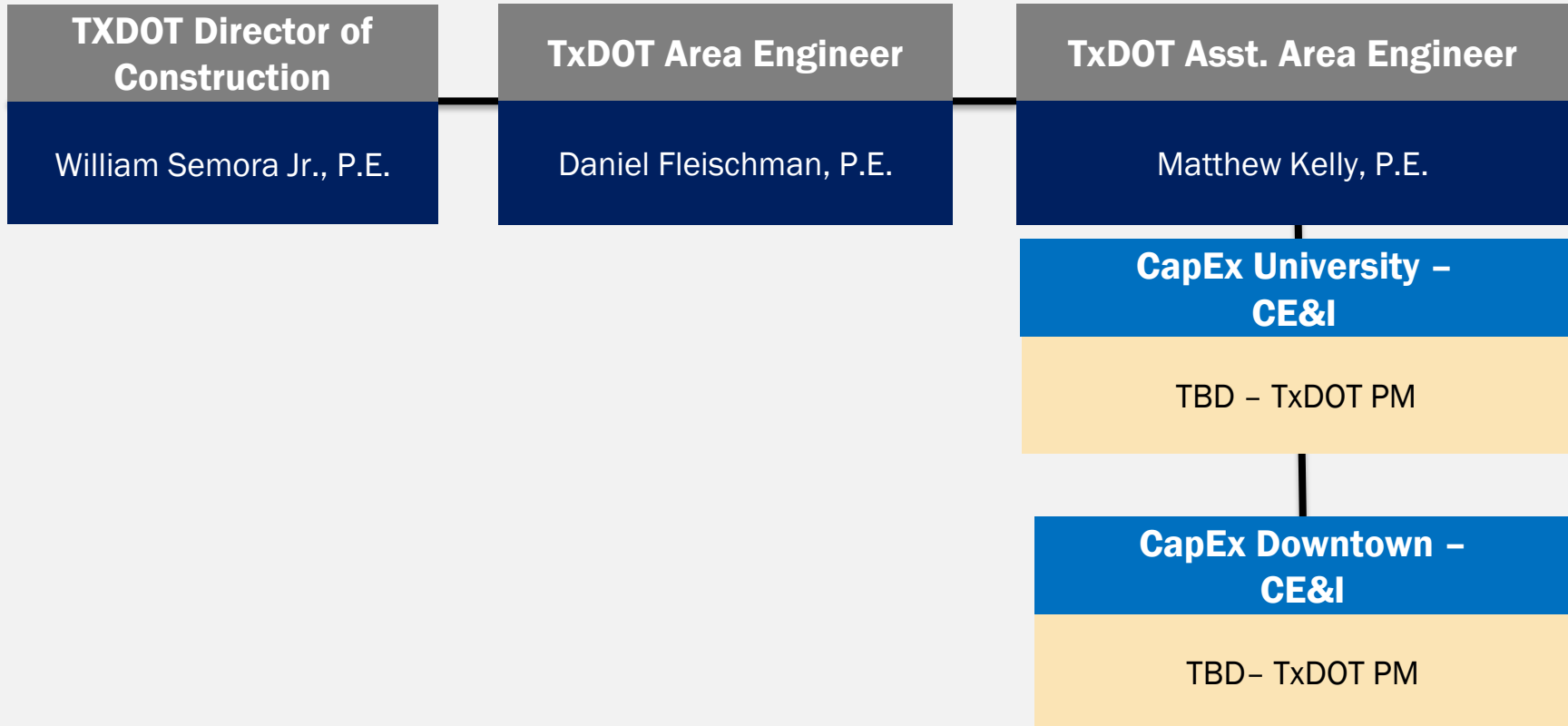
Office Location	Area Engineer
Bastrop Area Office	Diana Schulze, P.E.
Burnet Area Office	Joe Muck, P.E.
North Travis Area Office	Daniel Fleischman, P.E.
Georgetown Area Office	Kyle Russell, P.E.
South Travis Area Office	Orlando Gallegos, P.E.



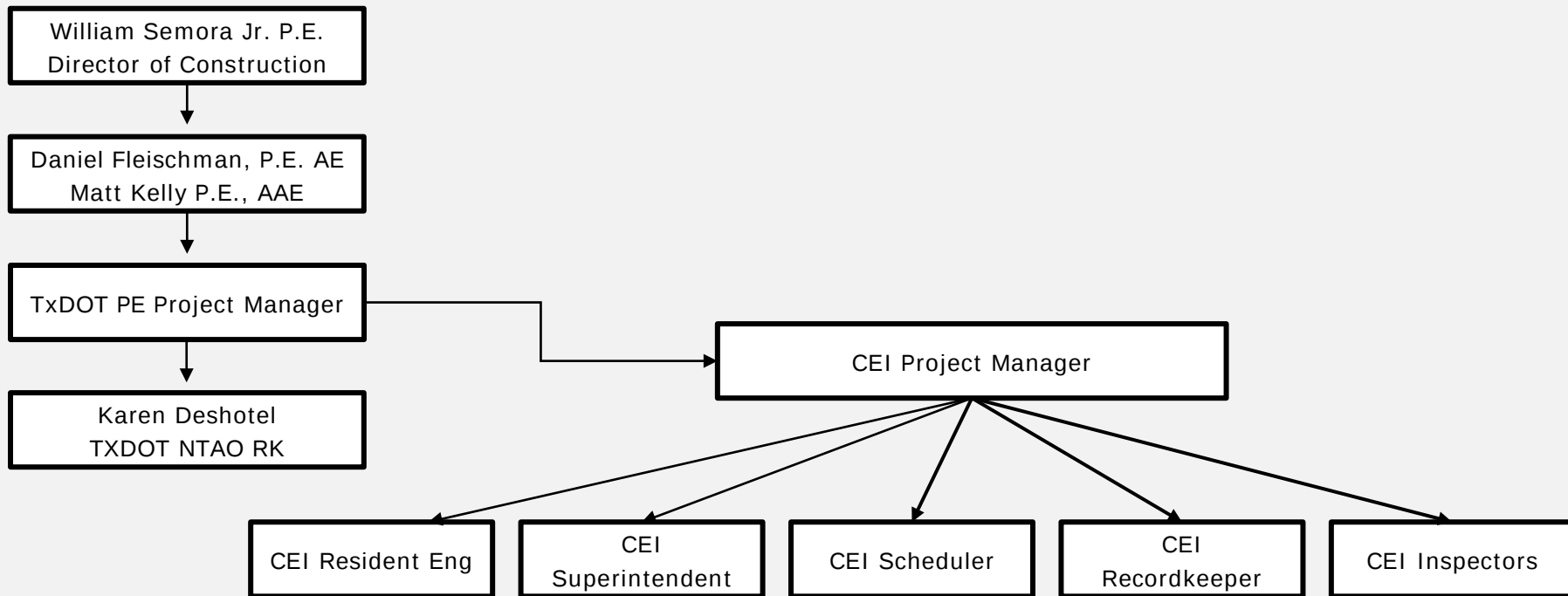
Purpose & Need

Do...	Don't...
Manage Milestones – Timely delivery of milestones is critical to success	“Glass half full” view of Contractor
Provide solutions	Let issues linger at TxDOT
George Patton - "<i>A good plan</i>, violently executed now, is <i>better than a perfect plan</i> next week."	Run by the letter of the law. Instead, work with TxDOT PM to grasp ability to make engineering judgement
Goal = timely and on-budget delivery	
Keep TxDOT PM informed	
Keep the issues moving	

TxDOT+GEC+CEI Organization Chart



Organization Chart



Pre-Construction Support

- Plans
 - Review Plans
 - Review TCP
 - Review Quantities in Plans
 - Review plans versus Designers Guide
 - Review Schedules
 - Review Calendars used in Schedules
- Utilities
 - Assist GEC utility team
 - Inspection of non joint bid relocation
 - Survey of non joint bid relocation
 - Conduct plan review

Construction Support

- Inspection
 - Perform all field required inspection to support construction operations.
 - Make Work Zone Safety a top priority!
- Testing
 - Perform all field and borrow pit testing.
 - Lab and plant testing will be handled by TxDOT.
- Record Keeping
 - Change Orders
 - Negotiate change orders.
 - Prepare change orders in Site Manager.
 - TxDOT will sign change orders.

Construction Support

- Record Keeping
 - Daily / Monthly Duties
 - Process Monthly Estimates
 - Process sub-contractor requests
 - Management of the DBE program and other project requirements
- Time Impact Analysis
 - Initial review and comment.
 - Make recommendation to TxDOT PM.

Construction Support

- Intelligent Transportation System (ITS)
 - Monitor temporary ITS system.
 - Review and address impacts to temporary ITS system.
 - Assist in maintaining the ITS corridor coverage.
- Field Office
 - Provided by Contractor to support staff.

Miscellaneous Support

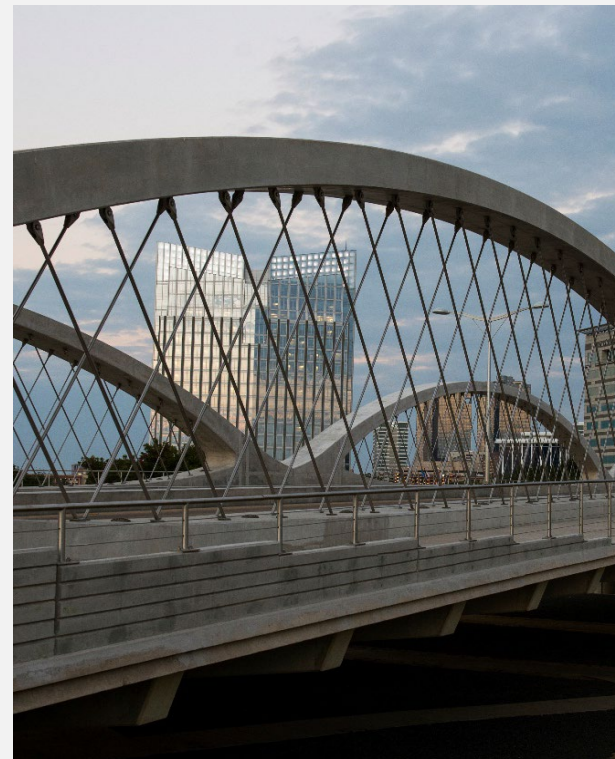
- Right of Way
 - Monitor the timeline.
 - Relay information to the TxDOT PM and Contractor.
- Utilities
 - Monitor the timeline.
 - Coordinate with utilities for updates.
 - Conduct regular utility update meetings.
 - Track submittal reviews and approvals.
 - Relay information to the TxDOT PM and Contractor.

Miscellaneous Support

- Public Information
 - Field support for TxDOT PIO staff.
 - Handle onsite notices.
 - Relay information to the TxDOT PIO staff.

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- Submit questions to:
Todd M. Speck, P.E., CTCM at todd.speck@txdot.gov
by 1:00 p.m., Monday, October 27
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