



AGC of Texas
Highway, Heavy, Utilities & Industrial Branch

E-BULLETIN

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March 30, 2009

Member Survey-Please Respond!

EPA DIESEL RETROFIT FUNDS AVAILABLE

The U.S Environmental Protection Agency released its official "Request for Applications" for the FY 2009 diesel retrofit funding provided by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act passed by Congress earlier this year. This funding will be available via a competitive grant program to entities like the AGC of Texas chapter to support clean diesel projects that will achieve significant reductions in diesel emissions from diesel fleets operating in areas designated as poor air quality areas.

The chapter would like to survey the membership for interest in this program. If you are interested in participating through the chapter in this grant program, please respond to Jennifer Newton at jnewton@agctx.org by **Friday, April 6, 2009** with an estimate of the number of engines you may have available for retrofit funding.

Alamo RMA Releases RFQ for 281/1604 Interchange

The Alamo RMA has released an RFQ for the 281/1604 Interchange project. For details and documents, go to the RMA website at <http://www.alamorma.org/rfprfq.html>.

Zachry Releases IFB

[IFB Link](#)

Zachry Construction Corporation is seeking qualified subcontractors, including Small, Minority, Women-Owned, Disadvantaged, Veteran, Service Disabled Veteran and

HUBZone Business owners in the San Antonio/Austin/San Marcos/Seguin area to submit quotes in response to an Invitation To Bid for work in San Marcos, TX . Please click on the link above to view.

Management Conference on the Chesapeake

[Management Brochure](#)

The 2009 AGC of Texas Management Conference is scheduled for June 17-21 at the beautiful Hyatt Regency Chesapeake Bay in historic Cambridge, Maryland. After the intense legislative session, the business sessions will be highly informative and will include a report on the 2009 Texas legislative session, a report on AGC of America and ARTBA activities, as well as other items of interest to our industry. Please see link above for a more detailed description of the conference.

For more information on the resort, visit www.chesapeakebay.hyatt.com. The closest airport is BWI in Baltimore, MD. And if you have any questions, please contact Debbie Koehler at dkoehler@agctx.org, or 512/478-4691. We hope you'll join us in June on the Chesapeake.

ARRA Employment Reporting

TxDOT is in the process of finalizing the processes for new employment reporting requirements, as prescribed by the Stimulus Bill. The department is considering using the Electronic Project Records System, where payrolls are submitted and contractors are able to view their draft monthly pay items, as the only method for contractor submission of the employment data. The department also believes the ten day deadline is fair and feasible for contractors (TxDOT must compile and submit data within 20).

If you have any comments concerning these draft procedures, please contact Kristen Ogden at kogden@agctx.org.

Economic Stimulus DBE Goals

[DBE Link](#)

Click on the link above to view transportation projects under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA), also known as the Stimulus Package, that are being included in the April 2009 letting. Please note the regular April 2009 Goals were not changed. Only the DBE Goals on Economic Stimulus (ES) projects were modified. EVERY ES should have a DBE Goal.

Bill Miller of BBII Announces Retirement

After 15 years with Balfour Beatty Infrastructure, Inc., Bill Miller, senior vice president and founder of their Southwest Region, has announced his intent to retire at the end of April. John Rempe, BBII's current manager of operations for the Southwest Region, has been named the new vice president for the region and will be based in Austin.

March Commission Results

(1) Of the 17 state let highway maintenance and department building construction contracts, all were awarded.

(2) Of the 77 highway and transportation enhancement building construction contracts, all were awarded.

Upcoming Letting Estimates

Month	Estimated	Number of Projects	Luncheon Date	Location
April 7 and 8	\$83.30(M)	26	April 7	Four Seasons Hotel
April 22 and 23*	\$432.32 (M)	138	April 21*	Four Seasons Hotel*
May 7 and 8	\$113.70 (M)**	32	May 7	Four Seasons Hotel

Please join the rest of the membership at the April 7 luncheon to hear Al Alonzi, Deputy Division Administrator for the Federal Highway Administration, Texas Division, speak about the stimulus projects from a federal perspective.

*Please note that the second April membership luncheon is April 21, the day before letting.

**The stimulus projects have not been posted for the May letting, but is still estimated at around \$500 million.

Letting Date Reminder

Please be advised that there will be two lettings for next month, April 7-8 and 22-23. The second letting for May has been cancelled.