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Liaison Committee**



**- MINUTES -**

**April 10, 2024**

**CDG Engineers, St. Louis, MO**

**ATTENDEES:**

USACE St. Louis: Jonathan Bailey, Kevin Deiters

ACEC Illinois: Kipkoech Chepkoi, Shelley Dintelman, Lori Daiber

ACEC Missouri: Pam Hobbs (Chair), Mark Bross, Jay Ellington, J.R. Landeck, Laura Mwirigi Rightler,  
Wayne Weber

**DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

**1. USACE Staffing Updates:**

- Along with the new positions announced in the last meeting's minutes regarding Susan Wilson's and Jonathan Bailey's positions, Amanda Radmacher is now Engineering and Construction Technical Services Lead. They are still actively hiring engineering staff.

**2. Replacement for St. Louis Small Business Contracting:**

- Kelsey Daniels is officially Small Business Deputy for the District.

**3. St. Louis District's Current A/E Contract Vehicles, Current and Planned:**

- Of the 2 current IDIQ contracts, Stantec's contract will be out of capacity at the end of the year and Tetra Tech's contract is nearly out of capacity.
- Two new MATOCs currently in decision include, 1) environmental remediation, and 2) historical rehabilitation for the VA and the National Cemetery Administration.
- Looking to award the Upper MVD Small Business contracts (minimum of three) in May or June, the Full and Open contracts (minimum of three) in late summer.
- Lock and Dam 25: Originally looked at IDAC for efficiency, but it was later decided that IDAC was not the appropriate path forward for this project. They are now planning on how to administer the contracts while keeping the total project within the original planned time frame for completion.

**4. A/E Support Anticipated Workload Needs:**

- It is likely that task orders against the newly awarded Upper MVD contracts will be used for work associated with the Navigation and Ecosystem Sustainability Program (NESP). Although there are not current planned needs for utilization of AE support it is likely that USACE will require assistance related to structural design, material design, CAD/BIM, and EDC support. As further needs are identified, USACE will share.

**5. 2024 Update on WOTUS:**

- No new updates to report. Rob and Chad are always willing to take calls and questions.

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- Several liaison committee members were very complimentary of a presentation on the topic given by Rob, Chad and Jeanette (EPA Region 7) to ACEC/MO's Environmental Committee at the Winter meeting in February.

**6. Updates on BIL Funding:**

- Nothing new to report. BIL is supplemental funding typically tied to presidential mandates or natural disasters when the need for funds is too urgent to be postponed until the next regular annual appropriations act and is not necessarily tied to a fiscal year.

**7. Next Meeting Date:**

- The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 14, 2024, 10:00 am – noon, at a UASCE location to be determined.
- ACEC/IL is in line to host the next meeting in December.