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WVDOH ANNOUNCES PROJECT AWARDS TOTALING MORE THAN \$40M

A \$6.7 million contract to build part of the Beckley Bypass was among construction contracts awarded by the West Virginia Division of Highways in March. Nine bridge repair or replacement projects were also awarded, including a \$5.6 million contract for much-needed repairs and maintenance to the Veterans Memorial Bridge connecting Weirton with Steubenville, Ohio on US 22.

The following bids were accepted and contracts awarded on March 19, 2021:

- Triton Construction Inc. was low bidder for the bypass project relocating a section of WV 41 near US 19 and replacing a bridge near Beckley. Low bid was \$6,716,500.
- Olympus Painting Contractors Inc. was low bid on the project to repair the Veterans Memorial bridge, with a bid of \$5,606,316.34.
- Clearwater Construction Inc. was low bidder on a project to replace the North Shegon Bridge in Logan County, with a bid of \$1,394,444.44.
- West Virginia Paving was sole bidder on a paving project from Courthouse to Ingleside Road in Mercer County, with a bid of \$1,955,251.20.
- Kelly Paving Inc. was low bidder on a guardrail replacement project on Bonds Creek in Ritchie County, with a bid of \$81,811.

- Ohio-West Virginia Excavating Company was low bidder for a project to repair a substructure on the Lindsey Bridge in Marshall County, with a bid of \$177,275.
- West Virginia Paving Inc was sole bidder on a resurfacing project from Clothier to Jeffrey Road in Boone County. Bid was \$684,501.55.
- Triton Construction Inc. was low bidder for repairs to the Jennings Randolph Bridge and approaches in Hancock County, with a bid of \$10,341,100.
- Clearwater Construction Inc. was low bidder on a project to replace the Beatrice Bridge in Ritchie County, with a bid of \$2,311,111.11.
- West Virginia Paving Inc. was low bidder on a resurfacing project between Corridor H and Leading Creek in Randolph County, with a bid of \$288,788.
- C. William Hetzer Inc. was low bidder on a resurfacing project from Marlowe in Berkeley County to the Maryland state line, with a bid of \$719,959.72.
- P&W Excavating Inc. was low bidder on a resurfacing project...

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About The WVDOT

The goal of the DBE Supportive Services Program is to increase the number of DBEs participating on WVDOT contracts and facilitate the opportunity for DBEs to obtain contracts. The services are designed to:

- Assist established construction firms to move them from bidding as a subcontractor to bidding as a Prime Contractor to produce sound bids.
- Provide access to training increases DBE expertise in handling of daily business operations.



About The Program

The Construction Estimating Institute (CEI) works with WVDOT as the statewide provider of the federally funded Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE) Supportive Services Program. We want to increase the number of certified DBEs participating in highway and bridge construction, as well as assist DBEs in growing and eventually becoming self-sufficient. Additionally, CEI provides supportive services by assisting prime contractors and consultants with identifying DBEs for subcontracting opportunities on priority projects.

CONNECTED CONSTRUCTION IS RAPIDLY APPROACHING: ARE YOU READY?

The construction industry has shown an unparalleled level of resiliency over the past year. In navigating one of the most difficult periods in recent history, companies have been forced to adapt to an entirely new way of working—adopting new technologies, new processes and new mindsets.

Leaders across the industry have acknowledged and responded to the galvanizing impacts of the pandemic, with two-thirds of executives agreeing that COVID-19 has accelerated industry transformation and half reporting they've increased investments to prepare for the new future.

Out of necessity, the industry has hit the fast-forward button on this technology adoption—abandoning paper, automating workflows and optimizing data. Now more than ever before, leaders have the opportunity to embrace and capitalize on this current transformation and make construction more predictable, safe and sustainable by adopting a methodology that sounds simple, yet is incredibly powerful: connected construction.

The Future of Construction

Connecting construction projects, teams and businesses is a worthy endeavor. Breaking down information and communication silos, as well as connecting teams and data helps to reduce rework, delays and risk—while gaining valuable insight and visibility into the entire building process. But contractors still have a long way to go to bring this concept into a reality that permeates the industry.

New workflows and technologies have generated unprecedented volumes of data and, according to FMI, 95% of data captured in construction and engineering industry currently goes unused. Disconnected people and information will continue to hinder firms and projects across the sector.

It's time to address these gaps and seize the future of connected construction to help mitigate the disruption caused by the pandemic, build resiliency and ensure the industry is prepared to act on the vast opportunities that connected construction will bring.

Data Holds the Key

One fundamental opportunity is the introduction of better integrated workflows across the entire project lifecycle. Whether it's setting teams up for success using risk management tools during preconstruction or delivering a data-rich handover to owners, companies can enhance critical workflows with digital tools that connect information—and people—across the different phases of a project.

Simultaneously, connected construction can also enable the industry to make greater use of advanced analytics. Data holds the insights to drive better outcomes across projects and throughout companies, and new analytical tools are helping firms to extract and collate information more easily. In turn, leaders have a more holistic and historical view of data and, more importantly, what that data means and what should be done, if anything, as a result.

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- Estimating Training
- Building Capacity
- Mobilization Financing
- Bonding Assistance
- Marketing Plan Development
- Creating a Business Plan
- Building a Website
- Plan Reading



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