PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The Illinois Department of Transportation is launching an innovative project delivery program with new tools to harness innovation and maximize benefit to the transportation network for the people of Illinois. Leveraging the INNOVATIONS FOR TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE ACT, the Department is developing processes and policies for the use of innovative project delivery methods such as the Construction Manager/General Contractor (CMGC), Design Build (DB) and Progressive Design Build (PDB) on transportation related projects.

BACKGROUND

The legislation takes into consideration best industry practices and innovative project delivery tools utilized by DOTs across the US. The resulting legislation gives the Department a broad range of tools to accelerate projects, maximize use of alternative technical concepts, and optimize allocation of risks with private sector partners.

HOW IT WORKS

The legislation allows the department to use DB/PDB for $400M of projects over any MYP. In addition, it allows the Department to deliver up to 2 projects per year using CMGC. Candidate projects will be identified from the IDOT Multi-Year Program and developed in accordance with IPD Program goals currently under development. The Department will use best practices and lessons learned from other states and partner with industry and stakeholders to develop program goals.

TIMELINE AND NEXT STEPS

The Department is in the early stages of developing this new CMGC/DB/PDB Program. This coming fall, the Department will conduct outreach to develop program goals that will guide the development of a manual defining the Program from project selection, procurement, and implementation through to construction completion.

ANTICIPATED RESULTS

- Ensure and maximize optimal financial stewardship of public funds using innovative delivery methods.
- Improve the transportation network by expediting the construction and completion of IDOT projects.
- Proactive Diversity and Inclusion program to maximize utilization of DBE firms including matchmaking events, project labor agreements and workforce development programs to ensure robust participation in the construction and professional services opportunities of the program.
- Enable proactive innovation with delivery partners to harness private sector innovation early in the project development process.