# Mass Highway Association 2023 Annual Meeting

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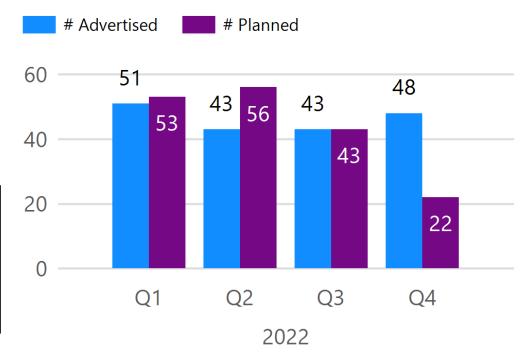


## FY 2022 In Review (10/1/21--9/30/22)

- Successful Delivery of FFY 2022 advertisement program with 185 total projects advertised, continued roll-out of process improvements expediting overall project delivery
- On-time performance by Project Manager was 86.7% within 30 days of locked down AD dates (based on original 168 programmed projects)
- Total program advertised \$1,771Bil. (largest ever)

	Federal Fiscal Year: 2022								
	# Advertised	# Planned	Contract Cost Adv	Contract Cost Planned					
STIP	77	64	\$1,108.2M	\$964.3M					
Non-STIP	108	104	\$663.5M	\$222.3M					
Total	185	168	\$1,771.7M	\$1,186.7M					

#### **Advertisements By Quarter (Plan vs. Actual)**





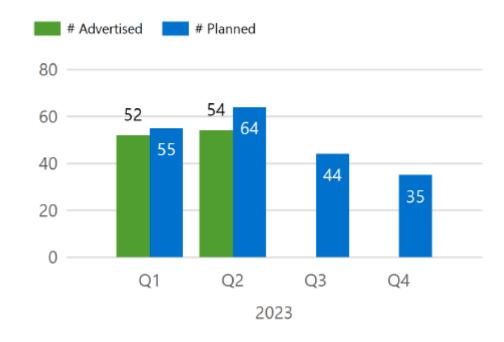
### **2023 Advertisement Program Update**

• 198 Planned Advertisements for FFY22, 87 Fed Aid, 111 NFA

#### Federal Fiscal Year: 2023

	# ADVERTISED	# PLANNED	CONTCOST (ADV)	CONT COST (PLANNED)	% ADVERTISED VS PLAN
STIP	26	87	\$358.7M	\$871.7M	7.00
NON-STIP	80	111	\$281.9M	\$516.4M	(CO)
Total	106	198	\$640.6M	\$1,388.1M	100

#### Ads By Quarter thru 3/31/2023

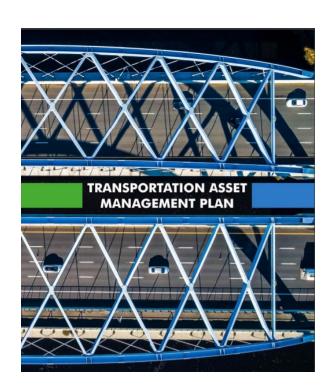




## **Looking Forward to 2023 and Beyond**



- Increasing federal funding through the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) also known as the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL)
- Future of work becoming our way of doing business
  - Implemented hybrid and flexible schedules and significant progress in modernization of Boston Transportation Building and District Offices
- Submitting first update to Federal Transportation Asset Management Plan (TAMP) since its initial report in 2019





#### **Expanded Bridge Program**

- Massachusetts received sixth largest state allocation of bridge formula funds through BIL
- NextGen provided MassDOT a head start for BIL
- On-going scoping of new bridge projects
- Significant increase in maintenance & preservation projects

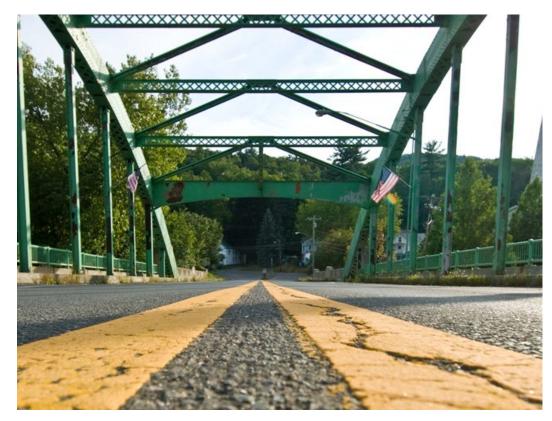


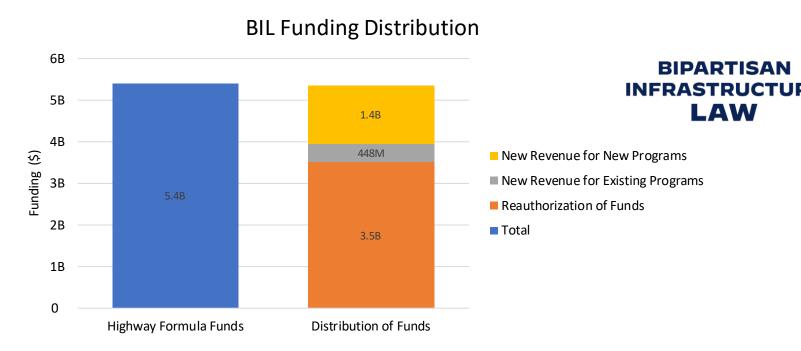
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## Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL)

A total of \$5.4B in highway formula funds and over \$110B in possible discretionary grants

- The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law primarily provides for the five-year reauthorization of the surface transportation federal funding programs for highway and transit
- BIL also includes over \$110B in discretionary grant programs that MassDOT will aggressively pursue based on grant criteria, project eligibility and formal guidance from our federal partners (FHWA and FTA)





# **Preparing for the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law - Process**

Workstream	Goal
Traffic Control	<b>Reduce reliance on MSP for construction</b> details by relying on alternatives to details and/or other interventions.
Risk Based Design & Review	Evaluate and streamline (identify, analyze and prioritize) <b>risk with design process</b> and review and establish processes /tools to decrease the overall design duration.
Environmental	Streamline the ENV review process to help <b>reduce duration of environmental permitting</b> to ensure on time project Advertisement. <b>Development of a performance management dashboard.</b>
Right of Way	Top to bottom review of ROW process with identification of bottlenecks and solutions to help <b>reduce ROW duration to ensure on time project Advertisement</b> . <b>Development of a performance management dashboard</b> .
District Bridge Maintenance Contracting	Improve the Consistency of District Bridge Maintenance Contracting to <b>support funding increase and streamline and improve contract execution</b>
Alternative Project Delivery	Top to bottom review of the program processes to <b>identify bottlenecks and improvements needed to improve velocity of projects</b> which may include program enhancements and policy changes.



#### **Municipal Funding Programs**

- Overview of MassDOT Highway Division funding programs:
  - Chapter 90 Program
  - Complete Streets Funding Program
  - Local Bottleneck Reduction Program
  - Municipal Pavement Program
  - Municipal Small Bridge Program
  - Shared Streets and Spaces Program
  - Winter Recovery Assistance Program (WRAP)



## **Chapter 90 Program**

- Chapter 90 entitles cities and towns to reimbursements on transportation projects
  - Formula-based apportionments determined by lane miles, population, and employment
- New Guidance Document released in 2021
  - New and clarified information all in one place
  - Supports local decision-making and investment planning with new tools:
    - Quick-Start Guide
    - Planning Toolkit





### **Complete Streets Funding Program**

- Encourages communities to incorporate Complete Streets principles into regular local planning and design practices
  - Safe and accessible travel for all roadway users regardless of age or ability
  - Projects include sidewalks, bike lanes, paths, curb extensions, and more!
- Provides technical assistance and project funds to incentivize ongoing change
  - Tier 2 Technical Assistance grants: up to \$38K
  - Tier 3 Project grants: up to \$500K (competitive application process)
    - Design funded separately by municipality

#### Tier 1

Attend Training & Pass Complete Streets Policy or Letter of Intent to Pass a Policy within one year Tier 2

Develop a 5-year Complete Streets Prioritization Plan

**Tier 3**Apply for Construction Funding



#### **Local Bottleneck Reduction Program**

- Funds solutions to address local congestion bottlenecks to improve traffic flow and safety
- Competitive application program provides up to \$500,000 in construction funding
  - Project design is completed at no cost by a MassDOT-led consultant
- Eligible project types include:
  - Addition of turn/through/auxiliary lanes
  - Geometric changes to the roadway
  - Improved pavement markings or signage
  - New signal equipment or improvements such as coordination

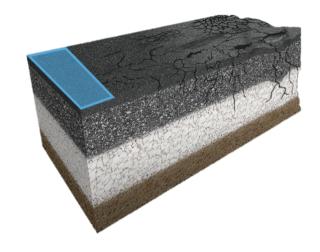






#### **Municipal Pavement Program**

- Seeks to improve the condition of municipallyowned state numbered routes
  - Projects include resurfacing, mill and overlay, and similar
- Not a competitive application program
- MassDOT selects roadway segments based on:
  - Pavement condition data
  - Locally owned state route mileage in a municipality
  - Geographic equity
- Funds as many segments as possible in a given year
  - Project value depends on necessary roadway treatments
- Design and construction managed by MassDOT and its contractor in coordination with community





### Municipal Small Bridge Program

- Provides cities and towns with financial support for small bridge replacement, preservation, and rehabilitation projects
  - Bridges must be municipally owned on public ways with spans between 10' and 20'
- FY23: program utilizes competitive phased grants:
  - Phase 1: design conducted by MassDOT led consultant at no cost, or a grant up to \$100k
  - Phase 2: construction up to \$500K







### **Shared Streets and Spaces Program**

- Quick-build projects that support public health, safe mobility, and renewed commerce
- First launched as a response to COVID-19 then continued due to local success
- Competitive application program
- Eligible projects include permanent or pilot:
  - Sidewalks, paths, bicycle facilities, outdoor dining/programming equipment, traffic calming, and bus lane or bus stop improvements
  - Grant limits vary between \$200K and \$500K
- Seeks to encourage communities to get creative
- Progress of FY23 awards (184 grants!) will inform next round's timing







#### **WRAP Funding**

- In April 2022, Governor Baker approved \$100M in funding for the Winter Recovery Assistance Program (WRAP)
- Funding is distributed to every community via a formula based on a municipality's share of locally owned roadway mileage
- Funds must be spent by June 30, 2023
- Eligible project types:
  - Rehabilitation, reconstruction, resurfacing or preservation of roadways and appurtenances
  - Including sidewalks and bike lanes/paths
  - Repair or replacement of traffic control devices, signage, guardrails, and storm grates
  - Road striping or painting







#### **Municipal Funding Program Updates**

- Chapter 90 Program
  - o Apportionment letters for FY24 mailed out in February, also listed on Chapter 90 website.
- Complete Streets Funding Program
  - FY24 grant round #1 applications due May 1. Expect to hear around June.
- Local Bottleneck Reduction Program
  - FY24 grant round application deadline was March 31, Expect to hear around July.
- Municipal Pavement Program
  - Hope to talk w/municipalities selected for FY24 program year this Spring.
  - Currently working through implementation of FY23 projects.
- Municipal Small Bridge Program
  - New grant round opening May 1, closing June 30. No program changes.
- Shared Streets and Spaces Program
  - Planning another grant round in FY24, but no date available at this time.
- Winter Recovery Assistance Program (WRAP)
  - 98% of communities under contract with MassDOT for these funds keep spending!
  - Funds no longer available after June 30 this year.



#### **Municipal Program Web-sites**

- Do you have questions?
- Each program presented today has a website and program guidance:
  - <u>Chapter 90 Program www.mass.gov/chapter-90-program</u>
  - Complete Streets Funding Program gis.massdot.state.ma.us/completestreets/
  - Local Bottleneck Reduction Program www.mass.gov/local-bottleneck-reduction-program
  - <u>Municipal Pavement Program www.mass.gov/municipal-pavement-program</u>
  - <u>Municipal Small Bridge Program www.mass.gov/municipal-small-bridge-program</u>
  - Shared Streets & Spaces www.mass.gov/shared-streets-and-spaces-grant-program
  - <u>WRAP www.mass.gov/winter-recovery-assistance-program-wrap</u>



#### **Department Updates**

- Ancillary structures (traffic signs/signals, lighting, closed circuit cameras
   & changeable message signs):
  - Initial Inventory/condition over 29,000
    - State Owned 25,300
    - Municipally owned 4,000 (est) (primarily lighting/traffic signals)
  - A&E Approved Procurement Inspection RFQ Summer '23'
- Guide to Estimating Highway Projects and Appendix
  - On Project Development Tools webpage

https://www.mass.gov/lists/massdot-highway-project-development-tools

Project Development and Design Guide (PDDG) Updates



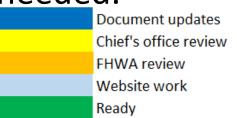
#### **PDDG Schedule**

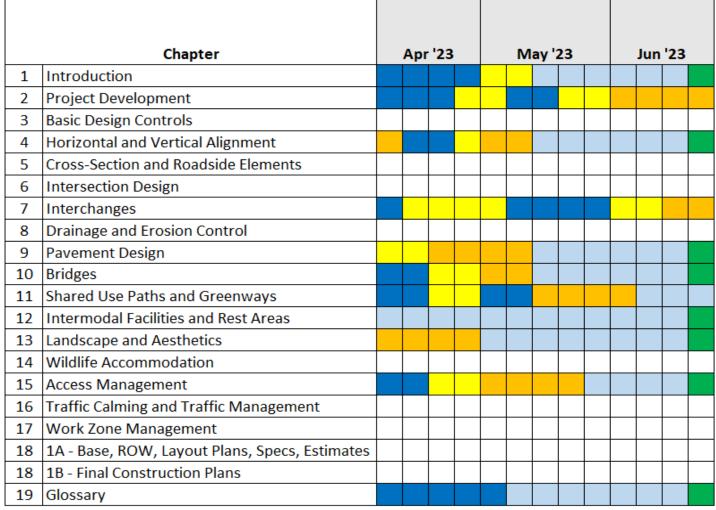
- 11 existing chapter PDFs (2006 content) to be posted on chapter landing pages by June 30.
- 7 revised chapters to be posted online by June 30 (pending schedule agreement)
  - Ch. 1 Introduction
  - Ch. 4 Horizontal & Vertical Alignment
  - Ch. 9 Pavement
  - Ch. 10 Bridges
  - Ch. 12 Intermodal Facilities
  - Ch. 13 Landscape
  - Ch. 15 Access Management



# Target Schedule – Pending Coordination with Chapter Teams and Reviewers

- Updated based on FHWA's 3/29 feedback on review timeline; requires further coordination with Chief's office and chapter teams to reach agreement
- Note: Two-week review assumed for FHWA's 2<sup>nd</sup> review, when needed.





Financial District	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
PROJECT MANAGEMENT - DESIGN	\$70,651,479	\$73,815,923	\$77,493,020	\$88,039,138	\$99,252,099
BRIDGES AND STRUCTURES	\$36,722,912	\$37,749,707	\$39,454,666	\$44,120,882	\$35,465,025
CONSTRUCTION	\$16,180,646	\$13,560,929	\$13,659,050	\$12,285,382	\$7,015,063
ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES	\$5,579,022	\$5,230,432	\$6,062,391	\$6,721,156	\$8,080,222
HIGHWAY SAFETY	\$4,193,218	\$4,072,373	\$4,594,951	\$4,585,710	\$6,466,562
ASSET MANAGEMENT	\$2,853,541	\$2,473,224	\$2,982,168	\$3,910,690	\$4,033,422
STATEWIDE OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE	\$3,911,444	\$3,522,283	\$3,299,613	\$3,156,374	\$2,047,950
	\$140,092,262	\$140,424,871	\$147,545,859	\$162,819,332	\$162,360,343

# **Consultant/Contract Investment**

<ul> <li>Breakdown of assignments as follows: # of F</li> </ul>						
<ul> <li>25 or more assignments</li> </ul>	7					
<ul> <li>Between 15 ≥ 25 assignments</li> </ul>	6					
<ul> <li>Between 10 ≥ 15 assignments</li> </ul>	11					
<ul> <li>Between 5 ≥ 10 assignments</li> </ul>						
<ul> <li>Between 1 ≥ 5 assignments</li> </ul>						
<ul> <li>In process/negotiating new assignments</li> </ul>	6					
<ul> <li>Total firms with MSA Assignments</li> </ul>	60					
<ul> <li>630 assignments totaling over \$300M</li> </ul>						



# Consultant Assignment/ Opportunities

- January Assignment Meeting: Assigned 12 new bridge projects
- March Assignment Meeting: Assigned 21 new bridge projects
- May 24 Project Review Committee (PRC) Meeting for approval:
  - 18 Off-System SD Bridge Projects
  - 27 Bridge Preservation Projects
  - 7 Environmental/Resiliency Projects
  - 12 other project types (Maint., Pav't, etc.) that may need design/ consultant support
    - Approx. 50+ projects in need of design support (remainder anticipated to be In-house/District Design



# **Design-Build Projects Update**

Project Number	Description <b>•</b>	Project Type	Project Status	Ad Date/RFP Issued	District	Location	Design Builder Contractor/Designer	Contract Bid Price or Project Estimate
608009	BOXBOROUGH-ROUTE 111 OVER I-495	Bridge Replacement	Preliminary Design	Sep-23	District 3	BOXBOROUGH		\$ 25,000,000.00
605311	MARION & WAREHAM - WAREHAM STREET (US 6) OVER WEWEANTIC RIVER	Bridge Replacement	Preliminary Design	Dec-23	District 5	MARION & WAREHAAM		\$ 35,000,000.00
612631		Bridge Reconstruction/Rehab	Preliminary Design	Feb-24	District 4	CHELMSFORD		\$ 42,000,000.00
606527	NEW BEDFORD - I-195 EB/WB RAMP C&F OVER SR18/LOCAL STREETS/RR	Bridge Replacement	Preliminary Design	Mar-24	District 5	NEW BEDFORD		\$ 170,000,000.00
605313	NATICK- BRIDGE REPLACEMENT, N-03-020, ROUTE 27 (NORTH MAIN STREET) OVER ROUTE 9 (WORCESTER STREET) AND INTERCHANGE	Bridge Replacement	Preliminary Design	Mar-24	District 3	NATICK		\$ 38,000,000.00
609466	HAVERHILL & METHUEN - BRIDGE REPLACEMENT, H- 12-040, I-495 (NB & SB) OVER MERRIMACK RIVER (SOUTHERN BRIDGES)	Bridge Replacement	Preliminary Design	Apr-24	District 4	HAVERHILL & METHUEN		\$ 225,000,000.00
607887	LOWELL- ROURKE BRIDGE REPLACEMENT, L-15-088, WOOD STREET EXTENSION OVER BOSTON AND MAINE RAILROAD AND MERRIMAC RIVER	Bridge Replacement	Preliminary Design	Jul-24	District 4	LOWELL		\$ 180,000,000.00
605304	HAVERHILL- BRIDGE REPLACEMENT, H-12-007 & H- 12-025, BRIDGE STREET (SR 125) OVER THE MERRIMACK RIVER AND THE ABANDONED B&M RR (PROPOSED BIKEWAY)	Bridge Replacement	Preliminary Design	Sep-24	District 4	HAVERHILL		\$ 150,000,000.00
606475 1	BOSTON- REPLACEMENT OF ALLSTON I-90 ELEVATED VIADUCT, B-16-359, INCLUDING INTERCHANGE RECONSTRUCTION BEACON PARK YARD LAYOVER & WEST STATION	Bridge & Hwy Reconstruct - Restr and Rehab	Preliminary Design	Sep-25	District 6	BOSTON		\$ 1,900,000,000.00
608020 <sup>1</sup>	CAPE COD CANAL BRIDGES AND AREA ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS	Bridge Rehab	Preliminary Design	Sep-25	District 5	CAPE COD		\$ 3,900,000,000.00
1 Subject to F	unding							

#### Questions

#### Thank you



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#### What is SARPET?

 The State Aid Reimbursable Programs Estimating Tool (SARPET) is an excel document that provides municipal staff with a reliable and easy method to develop cost estimates

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State Aid Reimbursable Programs Estimating Tool (SARPET)			_		nassDOT	State Aid Reimbursable Programs Preliminary Estimate Form				
A tool for estimating project costs for Chapter 90, Complete Streets, Safe Routes to School, Shared Streets and Spaces, Local Bottleneck Reduction, Municipal Pavement, and other local projects.			_	- High	way Division		,			
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				Project Location:		-				
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	the overall project cost broken down by category and includes costs beyond construction items, such as contingencies. The ProjectEstimate tab shows construction costs using MassDOT Standard Items, user-inputted								\$ -	
	Items, and pavement Items. This sheet can be used to fill the MassDOT Preliminary Estimate Form.								\$ -	
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#### Why SARPET?

- Before SARPET, no state-wide cost estimation tool existed for local transportation projects
- Project cost development can be difficult, time consuming, and sometimes expensive
- Cost estimates are generally required for project funding applications for MassDOT programs
- Inaccurate cost estimates lead to budget and implementation issues down the road



#### **SARPET Overview**

- SARPET can calculate project costs for projects that include various components:
  - Roadway
  - Multimodal
  - Traffic control
  - Pavement
- Includes a broad range of project elements from pavement resurfacing to bicycle racks to lighting
  - Miscellaneous items can also be added











#### **SARPET Overview: Uses**

- Supports project applications submitted through MassDOT's funding programs, such as:
  - Chapter 90
  - Complete Streets
  - Safe Routes to School
  - Shared Streets & Spaces
- Can also be used for projects funded through other sources

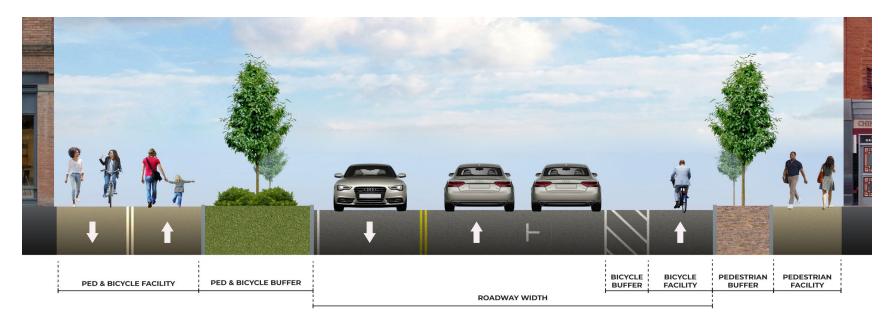






#### **SARPET Overview: User Inputs**

- Users input data based on project scope
  - General project components, materials, measurements
- Based on inputs, tool uses predetermined background calculations to develop a cost estimate for each item
  - Savvy users can edit background assumptions if desired





#### **SARPET Overview: Cost Calculations**

- The tool's background calculations utilize MassDOT's weighted bid prices to develop estimations
  - Uses the Mean Unit Price of an item for the appropriate District
  - If the Statewide Mean Unit Price is higher, the tool uses it to ensure a more conservative estimate (can be overridden)
- SARPET is updated every 3 -4 months to refresh data to reflect the latest bid prices
  - Always visit the SARPET website to download the latest version!
- Unit prices can be overridden by a user when more accurate costs are available locally



### Municipal Programs: SARPET – New Municipal Tool

- Provides a project summary and cost estimate
  - Includes standard item numbers when available
  - Aligns with MassDOT Preliminary Estimate Form
- Uses MassDOT Weighted Bid Prices
  - Uses District level data, statewide if none exists
    - Allows for manual override of costs by user if desired
  - Tool is updated with new bid prices twice annually
- First-in-the-nation tool of its kind!
  - Learn more on the SARPET website



State Aid Reimbursable Programs Estimating Tool (SARPET) Total Cost\_ Item# Description Units Quantity (Max or Comment Override \* UNCLASSIFIED EXCAVATION CLASS B TRENCH EXCAVATION \$35.48 \$0.00 \$0.00 GRAVEL BORROW \$46.27 GRAYEL BORROW FOR BACKFILLING STRUCTURES AND CY \$56.31 \$0.00 #67 CRUSHED STONE FILTER BASE COURSE \$0.00 #67 CRUSHED STONE FILTER BASE COURSE \$0.00 FINE GRADING AND COMPACTING - SUBGRADE AREA SY \$6.87 \$0.00 CATCH BASIN \$4,302.22 \$0.00 \$0.00 DRAINAGE STRUCTURE ADJUSTED \$425.13 \$0.00 DRAINAGE STRUCTURE CHANGE IN TYPE EΑ \$1,012.08 \$0.00 SANITARY STRUCTURE ADJUSTED \$0.00 FRAME AND GRATE (OR COVER) MUNICIPAL STANDARD | EA \$941.14 \$0.00 LARGE HOOK LOCK BAR GRATE - FURNISHED AND \$2,008.17 \$0.00 FRAME AND GRATE (OR COVER) REMOVED AND EA \$90.40 \$0.00 REMOVAL OF DRAINAGE STRUCTURE SEDIMENT CY \$253.74 \$0.00 \$0.00 \$336.82 FT 12 INCH BEINEOBOED CONOBETE PIPE \$96.72 \$0.00 18 INCH REINFORCED CONCRETE PIPE FT \$110.64 \$0.00 \$0.00 72 INCH REINFORCED CONCRETE PIPE \$0.00 EΑ \$3,250.00 \$0.00 \$0.00 \$74.91 HIGH EARLY STRENGTH CEMENT CONCRETE BASE SY \$60.73 \$0.00 CALCIUM CHLORIDE FOR ROADWAY DUST CONTROL LB \$0.43 \$0.00 WMA POROUS PAVEMENT SURFACE COURSE TON \$0.00 450.16 WMA POROUS PAVEMENT BASE COURSE TON \$0.00 TON \$131.85 \$0.00 SUPERPAYE INTERMEDIATE COURSE - 19.0 (SIC - 19.0) TON \$120.73 \$0.00 SUPERPAVE BASE COURSE - 37.5 (SBC - 37.5) \$0.00 TON \$120.91 TON \$229.01 \$0.00 ASPHALT EMULSION FOR TACK COAT GAL \$7.29 \$0.00 HMA JOINT SEALANT \$0.86 \$0.00 TON \$235.71 \$0.00 TEMPORARY ASPHALT PATCHING TON \$215.46 \$0.00 CEMENT CONCRETE PAVEMENT - STAMPED & COLOREI \$0.00 GRANITE CURB TYPE VB - STRAIGHT \$0.00 FT \$0.00 \$56.85 GRANITE CURB TYPE VB - CURVED GRANITE TRANSITION CURB FOR PEDESTRIAN CURB \$58.05 \$0.00 GRANITE TRANSITION CURB FOR PEDESTRIAN CURB RAMPS - CURVED GRANITE EDGING TYPE SA FT \$0.00 \$51.60 GRANITE CURB INLET - STRAIGHT \$486.80 \$0.00 CONCRETE CURB TYPE VA \$46.31 \$0.00 HOT MIX ASPHALT CURB - OPTION \$18,66 \$0.00 FT \$31.42 \$0.00 CURB REMOVED AND STACKED FT \$0.00 \$5.64 GUARDRAIL, TL-2 (SINGLE FACED) \$33.18 \$0.00 20.32 GUARDBAIL - CURVED TI -2 (SINGLE FAC