



Memo to: Board of Directors

From: Chuck Etwert

Subject: Program Status Report for May 2015

Date: May 18, 2015

Husch Blackwell continues to work with the attorneys for Union Pacific, we are in the process of executing Union Pacific's forty page Stormwater Drainage Improvements Construction & Maintenance Agreement and should have the remaining easements needed for the BP #3 construction project any day now. This will complete the easement obtainment process for the 100-Year Level of Protection Projects.

Approximately 69% of the \$46.9 million of construction, involved in the eight current construction bid packages (not including BP 7B), has been completed thru April. With 2.4 million dollars' worth of construction completed in April, the total amount of construction completed is now \$32.6 million.

We have one change order on this month's agenda, involving Bid Package #6. Amec Foster Wheeler will be explaining the order at the meeting.

AMEC Foster Wheeler and I continue to meet bi-weekly with the Corps of Engineers regarding the process of the Council moving ahead with 500-year level of protection projects and ensuring that work the Council does is eligible for future Work In-Kind Credit.

On May 6th, there was a bid opening for the re-bid of Bid Package 7B – Wood River Lower Cutoff Wall Project. Two bids were received with both bids being within five percent of the engineer's estimate. Amec Foster Wheeler will be explaining the results and their recommendation.

On May 8th, I gave a project overview presentation to the Illinois Society of Professional Engineers at the Seventh Annual Metro East Mini Conference. A majority of the attendees indicated that they were familiar with the Council's project.

Mr. Jeff White of Columbia Capital Management will be at this month's meeting to discuss bond financing scheduling.

I mentioned in March that Senator Durbin had met with the Secretary of the Army and the Army Chief of Staff regarding the Corps' rejection of mandating Project Labor Agreements (PLAs). The Senator's office indicated to me last week that they expect to receive a response from the Corps in the very near future reflecting the results of a new review of the issue by Army Logistics.

There will be an executive session on litigation at the end of the meeting.

I have included in your Board packet a copy of Amec Foster Wheeler's Monthly Progress Report for May.