



DBE News: Your Road to Opportunity

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A quarterly newsletter published by the ICC Project

Welcome to the inaugural issue of ***DBE News: Your Road To Opportunity Newsletter***. ***DBE News*** will be published quarterly and will provide you with current information on the Intercounty Connector (ICC) Project.

Why DBE News?

- ◆ Communicate with the business and local community regarding issues important to Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBEs)
- ◆ Provide updated status of five ICC mainline contracts and environmental contracts
- ◆ Provide information on contracting opportunities
- ◆ Provide available On-The-Job Training (OJT) Opportunities
- ◆ Share successes of DBEs working on the ICC Project

Overview of the ICC Project

The Intercounty Connector (ICC) is a “state of the art” access-controlled, multi-modal east-west toll road. The ICC will extend from I-370/I-270 near Shady Grove Metrorail Station in Montgomery County to I-95/US 1 south of Laurel in Prince George’s County. The ICC is being built using Design-Build contracts A,B,C & E and bid-build environmental mitigation and stewardship contracts.

Each of the Design Build contracts may have different DBE goals. Only companies that are Maryland Department of Transportation DBE certified will count towards the DBE Participation goals.

Contract A: Extending from I-270/I-370 to approximately 1,600 feet east of MD 97. Awarded to Intercounty Constructors, a joint-venture of Granite, Corman & Wagman on 11.13.2007. 15 percent DBE Participation goal, with 20 percent in professional services.

Contract B: Extending from approximately 1,600 feet east of MD 97 to west of US 29. Maryland 200, a joint venture of Kiewit, Corman and Wagman was selected. Selection has been appealed to the Maryland Board of Appeals. 20 percent DBE Participation goal, with 20 percent in professional services.

Contract C: Approximately 3.7 miles of new six-lane highway; 2.5 miles of I-95 auxiliary

and collector-distributor roadways. Awarded to ICC Constructors, a Joint Venture of Shirley, Clark, Atkinson, Facchina & Trumbull on 4.7.2008. 20 percent DBE Participation goal, with 20 percent in professional services.

Contract E: Extending from I-95 to US 1. DBE Goal To Be Determined

Environmental & Mitigation Contracts: There are approximately \$100M of separate environmental and mitigation contracts. These contracts will be awarded through the standard State Highway Administration (SHA) procurement process and may have Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) participation goals.

DBE Program

SHA understands that living its vision of providing its customers with a world-class highway system includes honoring its commitments to its partners by providing contracting opportunities which include and reflect the rich diversity of the Maryland community. ICC’s comprehensive DBE program provides a variety of services to approximately 1,600 businesses, both prime and subcontractors, in the areas of outreach, business assistance, contract compliance, and on-the-job training.

The ICC project will require a broad variety of DBEs with capacity in many design services and construction trades within the Washington and Baltimore metropolitan regions. Because of the large number of active, major construction projects in the Washington and Baltimore metropolitan regions, the ICC Project Team has developed an aggressive [DBE outreach](#), [business assistance](#), and [contract compliance](#) program in order to identify and successfully engage as many DBEs as possible in the design and construction areas needed for the project.

DBE Outreach & Supportive Services

The ICC Project Team has developed a comprehensive DBE outreach program which is designed to facilitate interaction among MDOT-certified DBEs and Design-Build contractors, and to increase the awareness of MDOT-certified DBEs, community stakeholders, non-certified minority, female and small business owners to the opportunities available through ICC contracts. The primary focus of the outreach efforts on the ICC Project is to encourage DBEs to attend contract-specific Informational Meetings to receive critical, time-sensitive information about the ICC, each Mainline Contract, and each Environmental and Mitigation Contract prior to its advertisement; to meet others who are working (or are interested in working) on the ICC; and to market their firm’s capabilities, especially to prospective Design-Build contractors and their subcontractors, as well as to prime and subcontractors for the Environmental and Mitigation Contracts.



DBE Capacity Statement

Completion of the DBE Capacity Statement will ensure that your firm is among those on the ICC Project Team’s mailing list for timely notification of upcoming outreach and networking events. It will also provide the ICC Project Team with vital information about your firm’s services, experience, resources, and DBE certification status which will facilitate strategic interaction and coordination among MDOT-certified DBEs and Design-Build contractors. Companies registered will also receive ICC DBE Bid/Informational Alerts and the ICC DBE Newsletter to stay abreast of contracting opportunities on the ICC Project.

Have You Completed Your Capacity Statement?

Go to www.iccproject.com

- click on the link for Civil Rights/DBE Program
- click on the link for DBE Program
- click on the link for DBE Capacity Statement
- create a new user profile (remember your user name and password)

If you are not a certified DBE/MBE company in the state of Maryland:

Go to www.mdot.state.md.us

- click on the link for Minority/Disadvantage Business Enterprise Program
- complete the online uniform application

*** MUST BE MDOT CERTIFIED TO EARN CREDIT ON THE ICC PROJECT**

OJT OPPORTUNITIES Positions Currently Available

<u>Job Description</u>	<u>Number of Positions</u>
Air Compressor Operator	2
Asphalt Paving Machine Operator	1
Backhoe Operator Trainee	4
Bulldozer Operator Trainee	3
Carpenter Trainee	15
Concrete Finisher Trainee	6
Crane Operator Trainee	1
Iron Worker - Structural Trainee	1
Pile Driver Setter Trainee	1
Pipe Layer Trainee	6
Roller Operator Asphalt Trainee	2
Roller Operator Earthwork Trainee	5
Scraper Pan Operator Trainee	1
Temporary Traffic Control Manager	2
Trench Trimmer - Fine Trainee	1
Power Tool Operator Trainee	3
Office Technician	7
Track Hoe/Excavator Operator Trainee	4

OJT - On the Job Training Program

The ICC Project will provide a unique training opportunity for individuals interested in working in the construction trades necessary for its successful completion.

The training and promotion to journeyman status of members of minority groups, including women, is a primary objective of the ICC Project's on-the-job training (OJT) program. The program will provide opportunities to minority and women trainees in highway and road construction where there are shortages in minority and women journeymen. Design-build contractors will identify and enroll minority and women trainees by conducting systematic and direct recruitment through public and private sources likely to have information about persons who are available within the Washington/Baltimore Metropolitan Region.

No employee shall be employed as a trainee in any classification in which the individual has successfully completed a training program leading to journeyman status, or has been employed as a journeyman.

On-the-job training, skills development, and job placement assistance are among the responsibilities of the [Maryland Department of Labor Licensing and Regulation \(DLLR\)](#). DLLR is a source for applicants for on-the-job training. Questions on the OJT Program may be directed the following:

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CONTRACTING OPPORTUNITIES

Contract #	Description	Anticipated Value	Anticipated Ad Date
REF-2	Forest Mitigation	500K - 1M	December 11, 2008
MO-F	Dog Exercise Area	100K - 500K	February 20, 2009
REF-19	Forest Mitigation	500K - 1M	March 6, 2009
REF-6	Forest Mitigation	500K - 1M	March 13, 2009
REF-17	Forest Mitigation	100K - 500K	February 20, 2009
REF-7	Forest Mitigation	1M - 25.M	April 1, 2009
MO-A	Sidewalk Construction	100K - 500K	January 13, 2009
REF-8	Forest Mitigation	500K - 1M	April 8, 2009
REF-3	Forest Mitigation	up to 100K	February 20, 2009
REF-4	Forest Mitigation	100K - 500K	February 20, 2009
REF-5	Forest Mitigation	100K - 500K	February 20, 2009
NW-C	Forest Mitigation	2.5M - 5M	March 1, 2009
NW-D	Stream Restoration	10M - 15M	March 1, 2009
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Forest Mitigation – installation of minor erosion & sediment controls; selection & installation of plant stock; installation & removal of tree protection devices

Dog Exercise Area – installation of new fencing; construction of new walk connections to the park; installation of benches, dog waste containers, trash receptacles, kiosks, etc.

Sidewalk Construction – minor earthwork; removal of existing sidewalk; installation of concrete & driveway connections, construction of new curb & gutter with drainage features

Stream Restoration – grading, excavation, selective clearing/grubbing; hauling; landscaping

DBE OUTREACH AND NETWORKING EVENTS

December 2, 2008	New Baltimore City Chamber Annual Breakfast Forum Caterers 4210 Primrose Ave. Baltimore, MD 7:30am-9:30am
December 3, 2008	BWCC Foundation Holiday Mixer The Great Room, Savage Mill 8600 Foundry St. Savage, MD 5:30pm-7:30pm
December 11, 2008	MBEC 4th Annual Awards Gala National Harbor 137 National Plaza, Suite 300 National Harbor, MD 6:00pm-8:30pm
December 18, 2008	MBOC Holiday Networking Social Arlington Arts Center 3550 Wilson Blvd. Arlington, VA 6:00pm - 9:00pm

**Questions about the DBE Program can be
directed to the following:**

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