

## THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION





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> Bureau of Construction May 8, 2014

Her Excellency, Governor Margaret Wood Hassan and the Honorable Council State House Concord, New Hampshire 03301

## REQUESTED ACTION

Authorize the Department of Transportation to enter into a contract amendment with Archer Western Contractors, LLC (Vendor #223978) of Canton, MA, by increasing the contract amount by \$2,500,000, (from \$81,420,000 to \$83,920,000) for the design-build replacement of the Memorial Bridge, US Rte. 1 over the Piscataqua River between Portsmouth, NH and Kittery, Maine effective upon G&C approval through June 27, 2014. (59% Federal Funds, 3% NHDOT Funds, 1% City of Portsmouth Funds and 37% Maine DOT Funds).

## Funding is available as follows:

04-96-96-960515-3031

Reimbursable Maintenance & Repair \$500,000

400-500870 Highway Contract Payments

04-096-096-963515-3054 Consolidated Federal Aid 400-500870 Highway Contract Payments

\$2,000,000

## **EXPLANATION**

The Portsmouth, NH – Kittery, ME, project number A000(911), 13678F Design-Build contract was approved by Governor and Council on December 14, 2011 as a Late Item on a basis of best value, lump sum for an original contract encumbrance of \$81,420,000 and a contingency of \$2,000,000. While the bridge is substantially complete, repairs associated with a recent vessel strike and other concerns to be accomplished by the contractor have necessitated this overall contract adjustment. The contract is proposed to be increased by \$2,500,000 to address the following items:

- 1. Temporary protection and permanent repairs to Memorial Bridge pier 3 as a result of the pier being struck by a 30,000 ton, 600-foot long, chemical products tanker (M/V Seapride) on March 7, 2014. Approximate cost is \$500,000. The state is pursuing 100% reimbursement from the ship's insurer, Standard Club Europe, Ltd. In the interim, these costs will be covered by 100% State Highway Reimbursable Maintenance and Repair funds.
- 2. Design and installation of aesthetic lighting on the Memorial Bridge. Approximate cost is \$132,000. This cost is 100% reimbursable by the City of Portsmouth.
- 3. Installation of Scott Avenue ornamental lighting, cobble aprons, and repairs to be seawall near pier 1 of the Scott Avenue Bridge. Approximate cost is \$276,000. This cost is 100% reimbursable by the City of Portsmouth.

- 4. Riverwalk modifications as requested by the City of Portsmouth (i.e. Daniel Street ornamental street lighting, sidewalk widening, and Harborwalk Park construction). Approximate cost is \$270,000. The funding for this work is from a City Transportation Enhancement (TE) project that overlaps the Memorial bridge project area. This cost is 20% reimbursable by the City of Portsmouth and 80% federal consolidated funds.
- 5. Memorial Bridge modifications. These costs are 50% reimbursable by the State of Maine and 50% by the State of New Hampshire through federal consolidated funds. The modifications encountered during the bridge construction include:
  - a. Expanded shuttle service to handle increased summer pedestrian and bicycle demand during the bridge closure period. Approximate cost is \$80,000.
  - b. Resolution of micropile obstruction claim. Approximate cost is \$750,000.
  - c. Additional metalizing coating. Approximate cost is \$174,000.
  - d. Security and safety modifications (i.e. remote programming access, additional ITS cameras, maintenance lighting, audible annunciators, and gate/gong modifications). Approximate cost is \$318,000.

Both the City of Portsmouth (\$462,000) and State of Maine (\$661,000) contributions will be credited to Consolidated Federal Aid 04-096-096-963515-3054 / Primary Local Match 0000-402851.

Your approval of this resolution is respectfully requested.

Sincerely,

Christopher D. Clement, Sr.

Commissioner

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