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Dear Mr. Anderson,

Please find attached a copy of the executed Stewardship and Oversight Agreement (Agreement) between the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Alaska Division and the Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (DOT&PF).

In accordance with Section VII.A, the Agreement is fully executed as of August 21, 2024 and supersedes the May 2015 Stewardship and Oversight Agreement.

I want to express my appreciation to both the DOT&PF and FHWA teams for their hard work in finalizing the S&O agreement.

Sincerely,

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2024 Stewardship and Oversight Agreement – Alaska

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**STEWARDSHIP AND OVERSIGHT AGREEMENT
ON PROJECT ASSUMPTION AND PROGRAM OVERSIGHT
BY AND BETWEEN THE
FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION,
ALASKA DIVISION OFFICE,
AND THE
ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC FACILITIES
(DOT&PF)**

SECTION I. BACKGROUND AND INTRODUCTION

In enacting section 106(c) of title 23, United States Code (U.S.C.), as amended, Congress established authority for a State department of transportation (State DOT) to carry out certain project responsibilities traditionally handled by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) through a delegation from the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Transportation (“Secretary”). The authority in 23 U.S.C. 106(c) applies to projects that are subject to the requirements of title 23, U.S.C. (“title 23”) because the State DOT receives Federal funding or because the State DOT needs an FHWA action for the project even though the project may not use Federal funds. Congress also recognized the importance of a risk-based approach to FHWA oversight of the Federal-aid highway program (FAHP), establishing requirements in 23 U.S.C. 106(g). In addition to assumptions of responsibility, FHWA-State DOT Stewardship and Oversight Agreements cover certain oversight activities relating to the oversight requirements of 23 U.S.C. 106(g).

The FHWA may not assign its decision making authority to a State DOT unless authorized by law. The authorities FHWA assigns to a State DOT under 23 U.S.C. 106(c)(1) and (2) are listed in Attachment A of the applicable FHWA-State DOT Stewardship and Oversight Agreement. A decision, determination, or action carried out by a State DOT under the authority of a Stewardship and Oversight Agreement (“Agreement”) does not constitute an eligibility, participation, obligation, reimbursement, authorization, or compliance decision by or for FHWA.

For clarity, Attachment A also lists certain other actions FHWA may have allowed a State DOT to undertake based on delegation or assumption provisions in other Federal laws. As noted in those Attachment A listings, a State DOT exercise of those authorities is governed by separate agreements between FHWA and that State DOT.

For project responsibilities that are not assumed by a State DOT under 23 U.S.C. 106(c) and are not otherwise delegated or assigned in accordance with another Federal law, FHWA may authorize a State DOT to perform work needed to reach the FHWA decision point, or to implement FHWA’s decision. However, such decisions themselves are reserved to FHWA.

SECTION II. INTENT AND PURPOSE OF AGREEMENT

This Agreement establishes the roles and responsibilities of the FHWA Alaska Division Office and the Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (DOT&PF) with respect to certain title 23 project approvals and related responsibilities, and FAHP oversight activities. Nothing in this Agreement affects the Secretary's authority, or authority delegated to FHWA, to oversee compliance with Federal requirements. These authorities include but are not limited to 23 U.S.C. 114, under which the Secretary has the right to conduct such inspections and take such corrective action as the Secretary determines to be appropriate.

This Agreement carries out 23 U.S.C. 106(c)(3), which requires FHWA and the State DOT to enter into an agreement relating to the extent to which the State DOT assumes project responsibilities pursuant to section 106(c). This Agreement also documents certain oversight activities that FHWA and the DOT&PF will use to efficiently and effectively deliver the FAHP.

Section IV of this Agreement covers assumption of project approvals on the National Highway System (NHS). Section V covers assumption of project approvals off the NHS.

The Project Action Responsibility Matrix, Attachment A to this Agreement, describes responsibilities that the DOT&PF assumes from FHWA pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 106(c) and other legal authorities.

Upon execution of this Agreement, Attachment A controls and, except as specifically noted in Attachment A (including any amendment thereto done in accordance with section VIII) and sections IV and V of this Agreement, no other agreements, attachments, or other documents shall have the effect of delegating or assigning FHWA approvals to the DOT&PF under 23 U.S.C 106(c), or have the effect of altering Attachment A.

SECTION III. PERMISSIBLE AREAS OF ASSUMPTION UNDER 23 U.S.C. 106(c)

FHWA has determined the activities and actions that are assumable under 23 U.S.C. 106(c). Those activities and actions are listed in a template issued by FHWA to create this Agreement and cover only activities or actions in the following areas:

- A. Design, which includes preliminary engineering, engineering, and design-related services directly relating to the construction of a FAHP-funded project, including engineering, design, project development and management, construction project management and inspection, surveying, assessing resilience, mapping (including the establishment of temporary and permanent geodetic control in accordance with specifications of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration), and architectural-related services.
- B. Plans, specifications and estimates (PS&E), which represents an array of actions and approvals required before authorization of construction and carried out during construction. The PS&E package includes standards, drawings, specifications, project estimates, certifications relating to completion of right-of-way acquisition and relocation, utility work, and railroad work.

- C. Contract awards, which include procurement of professional and other consultant services and construction-related services to include advertising, evaluating, and awarding contracts.
- D. Inspections, which include general contract administration, material testing and quality assurance, review, and inspections of Federal-aid contracts as well as final inspection/acceptance.
- E. Approvals and related responsibilities affecting real property as provided in title 23, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), section 710.201(h) and any successor regulation.

The DOT&PF is to exercise any and all assumptions of the FHWA's responsibilities in accordance with the Federal laws, regulations, policies, Executive Orders, and procedures that would apply if the responsibilities were carried out by FHWA. For all projects and programs carried out under title 23, the DOT&PF will comply with title 23 and all applicable non-title 23 Federal-aid program requirements.

SECTION IV. ASSUMPTION OF RESPONSIBILITIES FOR FEDERAL-AID PROJECTS ON THE NHS

For projects under title 23 that are on the NHS, including projects on the Interstate System, the DOT&PF may assume FHWA's title 23 responsibilities for activities or actions assumable under 23 U.S.C. 106(c) if the FHWA Alaska Division Office determines that assumption of responsibilities is appropriate and the DOT&PF agrees.

- A. The activities or actions on the NHS assumed by the DOT&PF under this Agreement are listed in Attachment A.
- B. Activities or actions for which the DOT&PF has assumed the FHWA's responsibilities apply program-wide, except when superseded on a project-by-project basis by provisions contained in a stewardship and oversight plan developed by the FHWA Alaska Division Office for a specific project. Additional discussion on FHWA project involvement is included in section VI.D of this Agreement.
- C. In accordance with 23 U.S.C. 106(c)(4), the Secretary may define high-risk categories for Interstate projects on a national basis, a State-by-State basis, or a national and State-by-State basis. A State DOT may not assume responsibilities for Interstate projects in a designated high-risk category. Currently, FHWA has not designated any high-risk categories applicable to Alaska in accordance with 23 U.S.C. 106(c)(4). If the FHWA makes a future high-risk designation that applies to Alaska, then that designation will immediately supersede the assumptions of responsibilities elsewhere in this Agreement to the extent of that high-risk designation.

SECTION V. ASSUMPTION OF RESPONSIBILITIES FOR FEDERAL-AID PROJECTS OFF THE NHS

For projects under title 23 that are not on the NHS, the DOT&PF must assume FHWA's title 23 responsibilities for activities or actions assumable under 23 U.S.C. 106(c) unless the DOT&PF determines that assumption of responsibilities is not appropriate (23 U.S.C. 106(c)(2)).

- A. The activities or actions off the NHS assumed by the DOT&PF under this Agreement are listed in Attachment A.
- B. Activities or actions for which the DOT&PF has assumed the FHWA's responsibilities apply program-wide, except when superseded on a project-by-project basis by provisions contained in a stewardship and oversight plan for a specific project developed by the FHWA Alaska Division Office. For non-NHS projects, the DOT&PF must determine that superseding an assumption listed in Attachment A for a specific project is appropriate. Additional discussion on FHWA project involvement is included in section VI.D of this Agreement.
- C. Except as provided in 23 U.S.C.109(o), the DOT&PF is to exercise FHWA's approvals and related responsibilities on these projects in accordance with Federal laws, regulations, policies, Executive Orders, and procedures that would apply if the responsibilities were carried out by FHWA.
- D. In accordance with 23 U.S.C. 109(o), non-NHS projects shall be designed and constructed in accordance with State laws, regulations, directives, safety standards, design standards, and construction standards, except that a local jurisdiction may use a roadway design guide recognized by FHWA and adopted by the local jurisdiction that is different from the roadway design guide used by the State in which the local jurisdiction is located for the design of projects on all roadways under the ownership of the local jurisdiction for which the local jurisdiction is the project sponsor, provided that the design complies with all other applicable Federal laws.

SECTION VI. FHWA OVERSIGHT PROGRAM UNDER 23 U.S.C. 106(g)

The Secretary must establish an oversight program to monitor the effective and efficient use of funds authorized to carry out the FAHP (23 U.S.C. 106(g)). This includes FHWA oversight of the DOT&PF processes and management practices, including those involved in carrying out the approvals and related responsibilities assumed by the DOT&PF under 23 U.S.C. 106(c).

Section 106(g) requires, at a minimum, FHWA's oversight program be responsive to all areas relating to financial integrity and project delivery. To carry out the requirements of 23 U.S.C. 106(g), FHWA uses a risk management framework to evaluate financial integrity, project delivery, and other aspects of the FAHP. The objective is to balance risk while considering staffing, budget resources, and the State's transportation needs.

The FHWA Alaska Division Office and the DOT&PF may use a variety of methods to identify, analyze, and manage risks and develop response strategies, such as oversight techniques, manuals and operating agreements, stewardship and oversight indicators, and FHWA project involvement.

A. Oversight Techniques

Techniques the FHWA Alaska Division Office and the DOT&PF may use to identify and analyze risks and develop response strategies include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Program assessments;
- FHWA Financial Integrity Review and Evaluations reviews;
- Program reviews;
- Certification reviews;
- Recurring or periodic reviews such as the FHWA Compliance Assessment Program;
- Inspections of project elements or phases.

B. Manuals and Operating Agreements

The DOT&PF manuals, agreements and other control, monitoring, and reporting documents that are used on Federal-aid projects are listed in Attachment B to this Agreement. At a minimum, this list will include documents required by statute or regulation to be submitted to or approved by FHWA. Additional documents may be included as agreed to by the FHWA Alaska Division Office and the DOT&PF.

C. Stewardship and Oversight Indicators

The FHWA Alaska Division Office and the DOT&PF have established stewardship and oversight indicators (indicators) to help monitor performance of responsibilities assumed under this Agreement. Indicators are those intended to provide evidence of how well a State DOT assumption of responsibilities is functioning. Indicators set targets, track trends, and may help determine when countermeasures and actions are implemented or adjusted. The indicators are agreed to as provided in Attachment C.

D. FHWA Project Involvement

The FHWA Alaska Division Office may select projects (individually or by type) for risk-based FHWA project involvement and stewardship and oversight activities, based on a risk assessment and the responses to identified threats and opportunities. The FHWA Alaska Division Office will identify the risks and document actions that it will undertake to respond to the risks in a stewardship and oversight plan for the affected project(s).

In some instances, such as in response to elevated risks, the assumption by the DOT&PF of project approval actions under Attachment A to this Agreement may be superseded on a project-by-project basis by provisions in the stewardship and oversight plan for those specific projects, per sections IV and V of this Agreement. Stewardship and oversight plans for specific projects will distinguish which project approval actions under Attachment A are superseded by the project specific plan. Project approval actions under Attachment A that are not superseded by the project specific plan remain in effect.

SECTION VII. STATE DOT OVERSIGHT RESPONSIBILITIES

This section addresses how 23 U.S.C. 106(c) assumed authorities are carried out by the DOT&PF. The actions include monitoring to assure that the DOT&PF is properly carrying out its responsibilities in accordance with this Agreement.

- A. The DOT&PF is responsible for demonstrating to FHWA how it is carrying out its responsibilities in accordance with this Agreement. The DOT&PF will provide information to the FHWA Alaska Division Office upon request.
- B. The DOT&PF represents that processes, procedures, and practices from manuals, agreements, and other documents listed in Attachment B to this Agreement comply with applicable Federal requirements.
- C. The DOT&PF is responsible for ensuring that its subrecipients meet applicable Federal requirements. This includes but is not limited to evaluating each subrecipient's risk of ensuring compliance and determining the appropriate oversight and monitoring with respect to both the subaward and any 23 U.S.C. 106(c) assumed responsibilities that a subrecipient has been permitted to carry out on behalf of the DOT&PF (2 CFR 200.332). The DOT&PF is responsible for determining that subrecipients of Federal funds are suitably staffed and equipped (23 CFR 635.105(c)(3)) and have adequate project delivery systems and sufficient accounting controls to properly manage these funds (23 U.S.C. 106(g)(4)); 2 CFR 200.303).

SECTION VIII. AGREEMENT EXECUTION AND MODIFICATIONS

A. Agreement Execution

This Agreement is effective when fully executed by the FHWA Alaska Division Administrator and authorized representative of the DOT&PF. The DOT&PF duly-authorized official shall execute this Agreement and then submit it to the FHWA Alaska Division Administrator, who shall sign this Agreement last.

B. Agreement Modifications

The FHWA Alaska Division Office and the DOT&PF acknowledge that Agreement modifications (minor revisions or amendments) are needed periodically. Either party may initiate a request to modify this Agreement.

1. Minor Revisions

The FHWA Alaska Division Office and the DOT&PF may make minor revisions to this Agreement without an amendment. For purposes of this Agreement, a minor revision makes a technical correction, addresses non-substantive changes such as a change in points-of-contact or document names, or revises aspects of procedures that do not materially change the terms of this Agreement. Changes to Attachments B or C are considered minor revisions. Minor revisions are recorded in a change log by the FHWA Alaska Division Office. Minor revisions may be executed without FHWA legal sufficiency review or coordination with FHWA's Office of Infrastructure.

2. Amendments

Modifications to this Agreement that exceed the definition of a minor revision in paragraph B.1. of this section shall require execution of an amendment to this Agreement. Amendments include any change to Attachment A. The amendment

shall follow the execution procedure set forth in paragraph A of this section. Amendments require FHWA legal sufficiency review and coordination with FHWA's Office of Infrastructure.

C. New Agreement

This Agreement will be replaced in its entirety and a new Agreement executed between the FHWA Alaska Division Office and the DOT&PF when mutually agreed upon by the parties, or as requested by the FHWA Office of Infrastructure to account for changes to regulations or statute or upon issuance of a revised Stewardship and Oversight Agreement Template. New Agreements require FHWA legal sufficiency review and coordination with FHWA's Office of Infrastructure prior to execution.

The electronic Agreement file shall contain the executed Agreement, any change logs, and amendments.

EXECUTION BY THE FHWA ALASKA DIVISION OFFICE:

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Date Executed: 8/21/24

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ATTACHMENT A

Project Action Responsibility Matrix

This matrix identifies the Federal-aid highway program (FAHP) project approvals and related responsibilities. The matrix specifies which actions are assumed by the DOT&PF pursuant to this Stewardship and Oversight Agreement (“Agreement”) and certain other applicable authorities as specified in the tables in this Attachment A.

The DOT&PF is responsible for ensuring all applicable elements of the project are eligible for FAHP funding. Where the DOT&PF assumes authority to make a decision, approval, determination or action, the DOT&PF decision does not constitute an eligibility, obligation, reimbursement, authorization, or compliance decision by or for the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). Final decisions on those matters must be made by FHWA.

Table 1: Financial Management

#	ACTION	AGENCY RESPONSIBLE NHS	AGENCY RESPONSIBLE Non-NHS
1	Review and accept initial financial plan for Federal major projects [23 U.S.C. 106(h)]	FHWA	STATE
2	Review and accept financial plan annual updates for Federal major projects [23 U.S.C. 106(h)]	FHWA	STATE
3	Obligate funds/authorize Federal-aid project agreement (including advance construction authorization and conversion), modifications, and project closures (project authorizations) [23 U.S.C. 106(a)(2); 23 CFR 630.106, 630.703, 630.709]	FHWA	FHWA
4	Authorize to advertise for bids when all preconditions are met [23 CFR 635.112(a), 635.309]	STATE	STATE
5	Approve reimbursements including authorizing current bill (23 U.S.C. 121)	FHWA	FHWA
6	Approval of reimbursement for bond-issue projects [23 U.S.C. 122; 23 CFR part 140, subpart F]	FHWA	FHWA

Table 2: Environment

#	ACTION	AGENCY RESPONSIBLE NHS	AGENCY RESPONSIBLE Non-NHS
7	EA/FONSI, EIS/ROD, 4(f), 106, 6(f) and other approval actions required by Federal environmental laws and regulations (Note: The FHWA may assign these NEPA actions and other environmental responsibilities to a State DOT as provided by 23 U.S.C. 327)	Administered in accordance with 23 U.S.C. 327 MOU	Administered in accordance with 23 U.S.C. 327 MOU

#	ACTION	AGENCY RESPONSIBLE NHS	AGENCY RESPONSIBLE Non-NHS
8	Categorical exclusion approval actions [Note: The FHWA may assign this action and other FHWA environmental responsibilities to a State DOT as provided by 23 U.S.C. 326 and 327. The FHWA also may administratively delegate responsibility for categorical exclusion determinations to a State DOT through a programmatic agreement pursuant to section 1318(d) of MAP-21 and implementing regulations in 23 CFR 771.117(g)]	Administered in accordance with applicable 23 U.S.C. 326 or 327 MOUs	Administered in accordance with applicable 23 U.S.C. 326 or 327 MOUs

Table 3: Preliminary Design

#	ACTION	AGENCY RESPONSIBLE NHS	AGENCY RESPONSIBLE Non-NHS
9	Approval before utilizing a consultant to act in a management support role for the contracting agency [23 CFR 172.7(b)(5)(i)]	FHWA	FHWA
10	Approval of noncompetitive procurement method for engineering and design-related services [23 CFR 172.7(a)(3)]	STATE	STATE
11	Approve exceptions to design standards [23 CFR 625.3(f)]	STATE	Not subject to 23 CFR 625.3(f)
12	Airport highway clearance coordination and respective public interest finding (if required) [23 CFR 620.104]	STATE	STATE
13	Approve project management plan for Federal major projects [23 U.S.C. 106(h)]	FHWA	STATE
14	Approval of Interstate System access change [23 U.S.C. 111]	FHWA	Not subject to 23 U.S.C. 111
15	Determine the engineering and operational acceptability of points of ingress or egress with the Interstate System (justification reports) for new freeway-freeway interchanges (system), modification of freeway-freeway interchanges, and new partial interchanges or new ramps to/from continuous frontage roads that create a partial interchange [23 U.S.C. 111(e)]	FHWA	Not subject to 23 U.S.C. 111(e)
16	Determine the engineering and operational acceptability of points of ingress or egress with the Interstate System (justification reports) for new and modified freeway-to-crossroad (service) interchanges, and completion of basic movements at existing partial interchanges. [23 U.S.C. 111(e)]	FHWA	Not subject to 23 U.S.C. 111(e)
17	Approve innovative and public-private partnership projects in accordance with TE-045, SEP-14, SEP-15, or SEP-16. [23 U.S.C. 502(b)]	FHWA	FHWA

#	ACTION	AGENCY RESPONSIBLE NHS	AGENCY RESPONSIBLE Non-NHS
18	Approve any betterment to be incorporated into the project for which emergency relief funding is requested (23 U.S.C. 125; 23 CFR 668.109)	FHWA	FHWA
19	Prior written approval of the Federal awarding agency for the direct charge of up-front acquisition cost of equipment (2 CFR 200.439)	FHWA	FHWA

Table 4: Final Design

#	ACTION	AGENCY RESPONSIBLE NHS	AGENCY RESPONSIBLE Non-NHS
20	Approve retaining right-of-way encroachments [23 CFR 1.23(b)-(c)]	STATE	STATE
21	Approve use of publicly owned equipment [23 CFR 635.106]	STATE	STATE
22	Concur in use of publicly furnished materials [23 CFR 635.407(a)]	STATE	STATE
23	Approve use of more costly signing, pavement marking, and signal materials (or equipment) is in the public interest [23 CFR 655.606]	STATE	STATE
24	Exception to designation of Interstate project as significant for work zones [23 CFR 630.1010(d)]	STATE	Not subject to 23 CFR 630.1010(d)
25	Determination that a United States Coast Guard Permit is not required for bridge construction [23 U.S.C. 144(c); 23 CFR 650.805, 650.807]	FHWA	FHWA

Table 5: Realty

#	ACTION	AGENCY RESPONSIBLE NHS	AGENCY RESPONSIBLE Non-NHS
26	Completion of ROW clearance, utility, and railroad work concurrently with construction: Make feasibility/practicability determination for allowing authorization to advertise for bids or to proceed with force account construction prior to completion of ROW clearance, utility and railroad work [23 CFR 635.309(b)]	FHWA	STATE
27	Approve non-highway use and occupancy of real property interests [23 CFR 1.23(c), 710.405]	FHWA for Interstate; STATE for Non-Interstate NHS	STATE
28	Approve disposal at fair market value of real property interests acquired with Federal-aid assistance, including disposals of access control [23 CFR 710.403(e), 710.409]	FHWA for Interstate; STATE for Non-Interstate NHS	STATE

#	ACTION	AGENCY RESPONSIBLE NHS	AGENCY RESPONSIBLE Non-NHS
29	Approve disposal at less than fair market value of real property interests acquired with Federal-aid assistance, including disposals of access control [23 U.S.C. 156; 23 CFR 710.403(e)]	FHWA	FHWA
30	Approve advertisement for bids based on a conditional ROW certification, unless it is not in the public interest to proceed. [23 CFR 635.309(c)(3)(i)]	FHWA	STATE
31	Approve physical construction under a contract or through force account work based on a conditional ROW certification, only if there are exceptional circumstances that make it in the public interest to proceed. [23 CFR 635.309(c)(3)(ii)]	FHWA	FHWA
32	Approve hardship and protective buying [23 CFR 710.503]	FHWA	FHWA
33	Requests for credits toward the non-Federal share of construction costs for early acquisitions, donations or other contributions applied to a project [23 U.S.C. 323; 23 CFR 710.507]	FHWA	FHWA
34	Federal land transfers [23 CFR part 710, subpart F]	FHWA	FHWA
35	Functional replacement of property [23 CFR 710.509]	FHWA	FHWA
36	Waiver of the policy of the availability of comparable replacement dwelling before displacement under specified circumstances [49 CFR 24.204(b)]	FHWA	FHWA

Table 6: PS&E and Advertising

#	ACTION	AGENCY RESPONSIBLE NHS	AGENCY RESPONSIBLE Non-NHS
37	Approve PS&E [23 CFR 635.309(a)]	STATE	STATE
38	Approve utility or railroad force account work (23 CFR 140.916, 645.113, 646.216)	STATE	STATE
39	Approve utility and railroad agreements (23 CFR 140.916, 645.113, 646.216)	STATE	STATE
40	Approve use of consultants by utility and railroad companies [23 CFR 645.109(b), 646.216(b)]	STATE	STATE
41	Approve exceptions to maximum railroad protective insurance limits (23 CFR 140.916, 646.111)	STATE	STATE
42	Approve use of guaranty and warranty clauses for projects other than design-build projects [23 CFR 635.413(b)]	STATE	STATE
43	Recovery of railroad material - Approval of additional measures for restoration of areas affected by the removal of salvaged material for Railroad work (23 CFR 140.908)	STATE	STATE

#	ACTION	AGENCY RESPONSIBLE NHS	AGENCY RESPONSIBLE Non-NHS
44	Approve use of lump sum payments to reimburse railroad for work by its forces [23 CFR 646.216(d)(3)]	STATE	STATE
45	Waive Buy America provisions (23 CFR 635.410)	FHWA	FHWA
46	Training special provision - Approval of new project training programs [23 CFR 230.111(d)-(e)]	FHWA	FHWA

Table 7: Contract Advertisement and Award

#	ACTION	AGENCY RESPONSIBLE NHS	AGENCY RESPONSIBLE Non-NHS
47	Approve cost-effectiveness determinations for construction work performed by contract awarded by other than competitive bidding or by force account (23 CFR 635.104, 635.204)	STATE for Force Account FHWA for Negotiated Contract or other	STATE
48	Approve emergency determinations for construction work performed by contract awarded by other than competitive bidding or by force account (23 CFR 635.104, 635.204)	STATE	STATE
49	Subrecipient project administration - Approve arrangements for local agency to serve as the supervising agency for the project (23 CFR 635.105)	FHWA	STATE
50	Approve advertising period less than 3 weeks [23 CFR 635.112(b)]	STATE	STATE
51	Approve addenda during advertising period [23 CFR 635.112(c)]	STATE	STATE
52	Concur in award of contract or rejection of all bids (23 CFR 635.114)	STATE	STATE
53	Approval of design-build requests-for-proposals (RFP) and addenda for major changes to the RFP during solicitation period [23 CFR 635.112(i)(4)]	FHWA	STATE
54	Approve award to the next low bidder [23 CFR 635.114(f)]	STATE	STATE

Table 8: Construction

#	ACTION	AGENCY RESPONSIBLE NHS	AGENCY RESPONSIBLE Non-NHS
55	Approve contract changes and extra work (23 CFR 635.120)	STATE	STATE
56	Approve contract time extensions [23 CFR 635.120, 635.121(b)]	STATE	STATE
57	Concur in use of mandatory borrow/disposal sites (23 CFR 635.407)	STATE	STATE

#	ACTION	AGENCY RESPONSIBLE NHS	AGENCY RESPONSIBLE Non-NHS
58	Approval of administrative settlements and contract claim awards and settlements (23 CFR 140.505, 635.124)	STATE	STATE
59	Concur in termination of construction contracts [23 CFR 635.125(b)]	STATE	STATE

Table 9: Construction Manager/General Contractor (CM/GC) and Indefinite Delivery/Indefinite Quantity (ID/IQ) Contracting

#	ACTION	AGENCY RESPONSIBLE NHS	AGENCY RESPONSIBLE Non-NHS
60	Approval of advertising for bids or proposals for a CM/GC construction services phase contract [23 CFR 635.504(b)(6)]	FHWA	STATE
61	Determination of indirect cost rate for preconstruction services for a CM/GC project in accordance with [23 CFR 635.504(e)(2)]	FHWA	STATE
62	Approval of preconstruction price and cost/price analysis for preconstruction services for a CM/GC project [23 CFR 635.506(b)(2)]	FHWA	STATE
63	Approval of price estimate for construction costs for the entire project for CM/GC project [23 CFR 635.506(d)(2)]	FHWA	STATE
64	Approval of construction price analysis and agreed price for construction services of a CM/GC project or portion of the project [23 CFR 635.506(d)(4)]	FHWA	STATE
65	Approval of CM/GC project preconstruction services contract award [23 CFR 635.506(e)]	FHWA	STATE
66	Concur in advertising an ID/IQ solicitation prior to completion of NEPA [23 CFR 635.605(a)(2)]	FHWA	STATE
67	Concur in awarding an ID/IQ contract prior to completion of NEPA [23 CFR 635.605(a)(3)]	FHWA	STATE
68	Approve a time extension of an ID/IQ contract [23 CFR 635.604(a)(6)(i)]	FHWA	STATE

ATTACHMENT B

Manuals, Agreements, Control, Monitoring, and Reporting Documents

This attachment lists manuals, agreements and other control, monitoring, and reporting documents that are used on Federal-aid projects per section VI.B of this Agreement.

Documents that include items that must be submitted to FHWA for review and/or approval	
1.	Asset Management Plan
2.	Procurement Procedures, Professional Services Agreement Manual, Major Projects Manual
3.	Title VI Procedures/Plan
4.	OJT Training Procedures and Reporting
5.	DBE Supportive Services Procedures, Program Plan, Triennial Goal and Goal Methodology
6.	EEO Plan
7.	STIP Development and Amendment Procedures ; STIP Public Involvement Procedures ; Consultation Process for Nonmetropolitan Local Officials ; AWP/UPWP
8.	Indirect Cost Allocation Plans and Procedures
9.	Quality Assurance Program ; Alaska Test Methods Manual ; Alaska Highway MSTF Tables ; Alaska Sampling Module Manual
10.	Utility Manual, Utility Accommodation Policy, and Railroad Agreement Procedures
11.	Highway Preconstruction Manual, Alaska Sign Design Specifications, Alaska Standard Plans Manual, Geotechnical Manual, Drainage Manual, Flexible Pavement Manual, 3R Program
12.	Highway Standard Specifications, Standard Modifications, and Special Provisions; Construction Manual, Force Account Procedures, Lump Sum Procedures
13.	Alternate Procurement Procedures, Design Build Manual, CM/GC Manual, ID/IQ Manual, Progressive Design Build Manual
14.	STIP, State Freight Plan, NEVI Plan, Carbon Reduction Strategy, Resiliency Improvement Plan
15.	Strategic Highway Safety Plan, Vulnerable Road Users Assessment, HSIP Handbook
16.	Value Engineering Program Procedures
17.	Bridge and Structures Manual, Foundation Report Policy, Bridge Inspection Manual and Procedures
18.	Vehicle Size and Weight Enforcement Plan and Procedures
19.	ROW Manual and Procedures, Outdoor Advertising Procedures, Access Control Plan
20.	Alaska Supplement to the MUTCD
21.	327 MOU, Section 106 Programmatic Agreement, Noise Policy, NEPA Public Involvement Procedures for Federal-aid Projects

Documents that do not include items that must be submitted to FHWA for review and/or approval. These documents will be made available to FHWA upon request.	
1.	EA Preparation Guidance, NEPA QA/QC Plan

ATTACHMENT C
Stewardship and Oversight Indicators

Indicators used to monitor assumptions of responsibility per section VI.C of this Agreement.

STEWARDSHIP AND OVERSIGHT INDICATORS	
1.	Average number of bidders per project.
2.	Percent of projects with low bid within +/- 10 percent of Engineer's Estimate
3.	Percent of projects that are awarded within 120 days of authorization
4.	Average number of days between the date of project completion and project close out in FMIS.
5.	Percent of projects closed out with final costs within +/- 10 percent of award amount.
6.	Percent of projects closed out with final contract time within +/- 35 percent of original contract time.
7.	Average number of days between project completion and final acceptance.
8.	Total number of projects awarded and total dollar amount of awarded contracts per region.