

ASHE / D-9 JOINT WORKSHOP

District 9 Plans Unit Update

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TODAY'S TOPICS

- Plans Unit Staffing
- Upcoming Consultant Selection Strategies for D9
- Consultant Selection Reminders
- 2023 Construction Season Notes

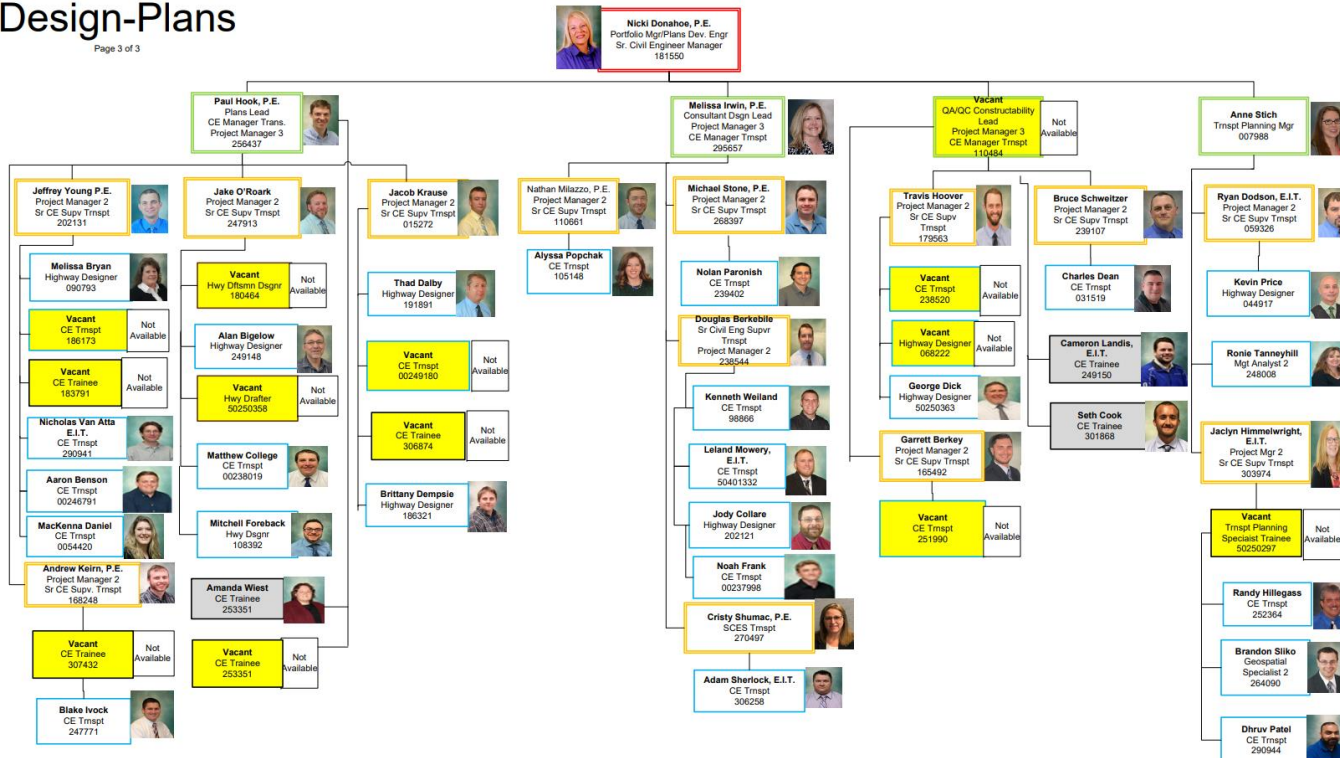


D9 DESIGN UNIT STAFFING

- 5 in-house design squads ---> 4
- Project Manager and up to 5 squad members
- 5 consultant design squads ---> 6
- Project Manager and an Assistant PM

Design-Plans

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D9 CONSULTANT SELECTIONS

- District Selection Strategies for upcoming year:
 - Agreements w/ similar scope will be grouped together for advertisement/selection of multiple agreements from one SOI
 - Single Bridge PS Agreements
 - Multi-Bridge PS Agreements
 - Single Roadway PS Agreement
 - Single Roadway PSOE Agreements
 - Hybrid Bridge PS Agreements
 - D9 Bridge Unit will complete the structure tasks
 - Surveys have already been completed on most
 - One single Small Business Enterprise Bridge (SBE) Agreement
 - Some Local Bridge Projects will be selected by District instead of by the local sponsor



D9 CONSULTANT SELECTIONS

- Dos and Dont's:

- Do not reach out to the project managers during the planned project or advertisement phases
- Do Double-check font and file sizes
- Do proofread and use spell check
 - QA is important
- Do not request more than one debrief per year
 - Melissa Irwin handles D9 Debriefs virtually
 - Do not ask about who you should team up with
 - Do not request a debrief of more than 2-3 agreements per meeting



2023 CONSTRUCTION NOTES

- **Reminder:** If you receive emails/phone calls from the inspection staff during your construction phase, make sure that your PM, D9 QA/QC PM3 Lead and Portfolio Manager are copied on the correspondence.
- **ECMS Questions:**
 - Common complaint from contractors.
 - When answering questions during the project advertisement phase, do not use the “Bid As Is” response or other similar variations.
 - Response needs to convey that we have looked into the question/request and give some explanation if we are not able to include the information they are asking for or give more clarification.
 - When questions involve pay items or constructability, be sure to discuss your response with the appropriate ACE or with Garth on locally sponsored projects.



2023 CONSTRUCTION NOTES

- **Item 9000-00XX CLEANING AND GRADING EXISTING BERMS TO PROVIDE POSITIVE DRAINAGE, EXISTING GUIDERAIL:**
 - Item to be used for instances when the existing guiderail is to remain, and we are directing the contractor to grade the berm under the guiderail. Paid by the Lineal Foot.
 - The contractor's cost per LF in the areas of remaining existing guiderail is much higher due to the manual effort vs the equipment effort when the berm can be graded while there is no guiderail in place.
 - Separating the items should result in more consistent prices and be more in-line with the value of the work performed.

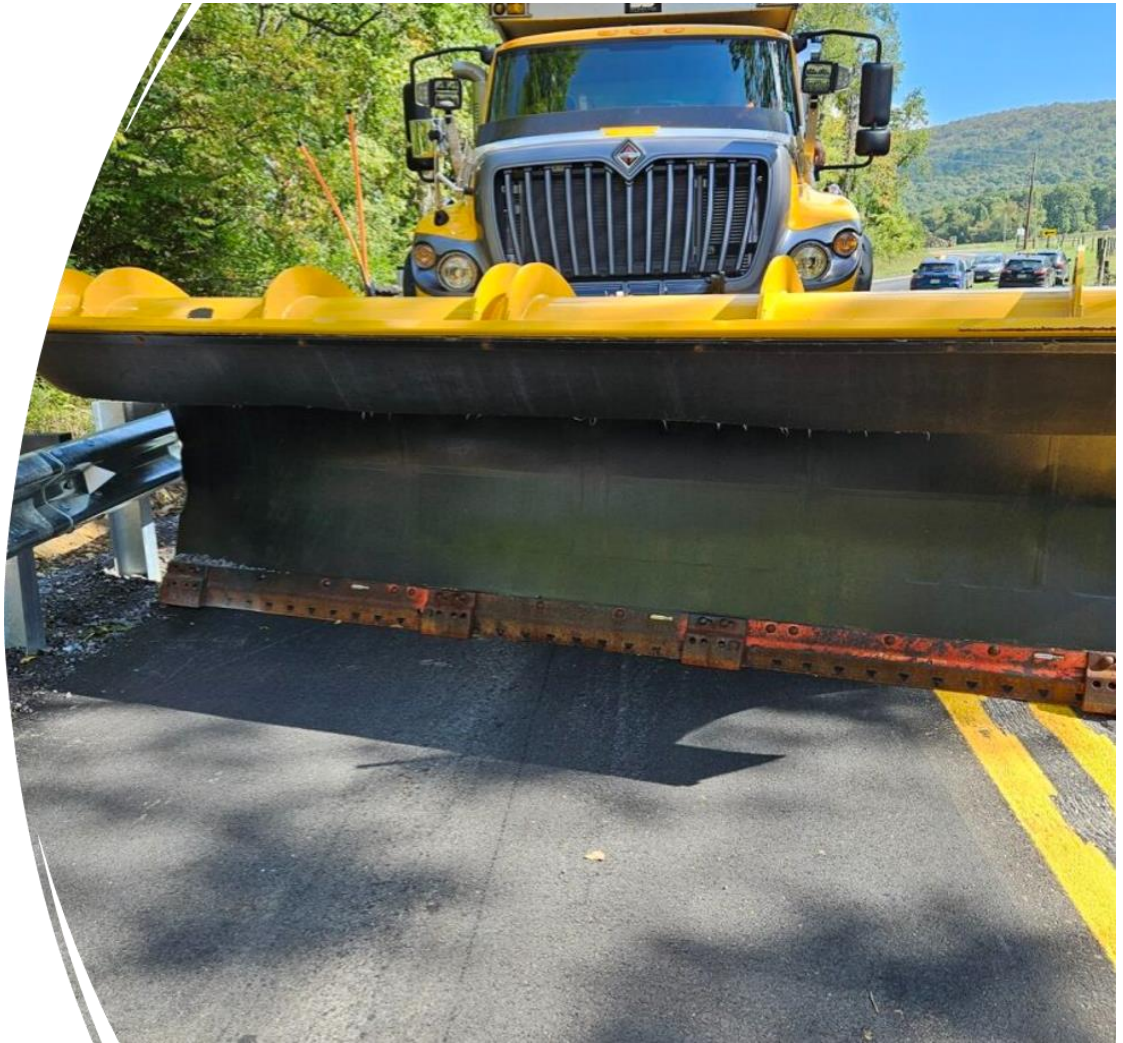


2023 CONSTRUCTION NOTES

- **12' Maintenance**

- **Snow Plows:**

- Some guiderail needed to be reset this season as there was insufficient distance from the centerline to the front face of the rail. Anticipate all new plows will be 12' wide in all counties.





QUESTIONS?