



DBE INDUSTRY UPDATE MEETING

FEBRUARY 7, 2025 NDDOT BID OPENING

JANUARY 10, 2025 BID OPENING UPDATE

- All projects awarded & all DBE Goals Met
 - 21984 – 4.50% DBE Goal – 4.51% Achieved
 - 23335 – 4.50% DBE Goal – 4.50% Achieved
 - 23670 – 4.50% DBE Goal – 4.51% Achieved
- No RGN DBE Participation
- Overall DBE Participation 5.79% adjusted for FAS
 - Total to DBEs: \$1,896,135
 - \$977,208 to DBE Subcontractors – 51.54%
 - \$492,796 to DBE Distributors – 25.99%
 - \$426,131 to DBE Trucking – 22.47%

FEBRUARY 7, 2025 BID OPENING

- 16 Federal Aid Projects
 - 3 Projects NOT Federally Funded – No DBE requirements apply
 - 24287, 24526 & 24532
 - 7 Projects with DBE Goals

JOB NUMBER	DBE GOAL
16511	4.00%
23550	2.00%
23634	5.50%
23717	3.00%
23864	2.00%
24080	7.50%
24134	2.00%

COMPREHENSIVE DBE TRUCKING ROSTER

- NDDOT is creating a Comprehensive DBE Trucking Roster that will list all active highway construction trucking firms that are DBE certified in North Dakota.
- The following information for each truck the DBE firm owns/long term leases and operates will be listed on the Roster.
 - Owner/Lease Information
 - The DBE must itself own and operate at least one fully licensed, insured, and operational truck used on the contract [49 CFR 26.55 \(d\)\(2\)](#)
 - The DBE may lease trucks from another DBE firm, including an owner-operator who is certified as a DBE. The DBE who leases trucks from another DBE receives credit for the total value of the transportation services the lessee DBE provides on the contract [49 CFR 26.55 \(d\)\(3\)](#)
 - The DBE may lease trucks without drivers from a non-DBE truck leasing company. If the DBE leases trucks from a non-DBE truck leasing company and uses its own employees as drivers, it is entitled to credit for the total value of these hauling services [49 CFR 26.55 \(d\)\(6\)](#)
 - **Any trucks not owned or leased from a leasing company do not qualify** (i.e. owned by a family member, leased from an individual rather than a leasing company, etc.)

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- Owner/Lease Information
- License Plate #
- Vehicle/Equipment Description
- VIN #
- Color
- Truck Number
- The Roster will be used by project staff to better monitor DBE trucking on the job site as well as complete mandatory Commercially Useful Functions. Prime Contractors may also use the information to verify the number of trucks the DBE can provide for credit.
- A message was sent to all active highway construction DBE Trucking firms via Q&A within their certification account in December and January requesting this information. It was due on 1/31/2025.

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- 7 firms have provided all documents and 18 have not responded or provided all of the information requested as of 2/3/2025
- A final request letter will be sent via Q&A to all non-compliant firms later today (2/3/2025) with a final deadline of 2/28/2025
- Any non-compliant firms after 2/28/2025 will be sent a Notice of Intent to Remove Eligibility letter (removal of DBE Certification)
- 49 CFR 26.109 (c) :
 - Cooperation. All participants in the Department's DBE program (including, but not limited to, recipients, DBE firms and applicants for DBE certification, complainants and appellants, and contractors using DBE firms to meet contract goals) are required to cooperate fully and promptly with DOT and recipient compliance reviews, certification reviews, investigations, and other requests for information. Failure to do so shall be a ground for appropriate action against the party involved (e.g., with respect to recipients, a finding of noncompliance; with respect to DBE firms, denial of certification or removal of eligibility and/or suspension and debarment; with respect to a complainant or appellant, dismissal of the complaint or appeal; with respect to a contractor which uses DBE firms to meet goals, findings of non-responsibility for future contracts and/or suspension and debarment).*

1:1 RATIO DBE TRUCKING DECISION UPDATE

- Decision has been made to keep the 1:1 Ratio as a supplement to our DBE Program
- Training will be created and provided to any ineligible firms
 - Training will be provided every 6 months & must be attended live via TEAMS
 - Successful completion required prior to be considered eligible (pass test)
 - Newly certified firms must wait until training is taken before eligible
- Any firms that complete training may begin quoting 1:1 Ratio in FY26 (October 1, 2025) – not before
 - No retroactive eligibility
- Future non-compliance findings will result in an ineligibility period (TBD) with training completion required prior to reinstatement
- DBEs that were compliant in 2024 remain eligible in 2025

VARIOUS INFORMATION

- Per the DBE Special Provisions – Primes need to invite DBEs to Pre-Job Conferences and provide them a copy of the Proposed Progress Chart (proof may be requested when a Replacement Approval Request is submitted)
- Bulk & Specialty List for DBE Regular Dealer/Supplier List will be published to DBE website by 2/28/2025
- Primes – Make sure you are using the most current version of the Form B and the form must be saved prior to upload to BidX (some forms have been uploaded blank)
- See DBE Newsletter for notice of new Project Solutions, Inc. contact for DBE Supportive Services
- DBE Commitment Report for November Bid Opening still pending award of 1 project



DBE DIRECTORY UPDATES

New:

Crossroads Highway Products, LLC – Mooresville, IN – Certified 1/13/2025

Withdrawals:

JR Dawsen Construction – Sidney, MT – Effective 1/30/2025

Certification Updates:

Northern Construction Supplies – Regular Dealer/Supplier (60% DBE) for items identified in DBE Directory Listing as of 1/30/2025

*DBEs should regularly check their DBE Directory Listing to make sure all information is up to date and correct. If anything is incorrect, please contact Jessica Stadick-Feist at jstadick@nd.gov

*Updates or changes to current certifications that could impact a DBEs availability to quote additional items or change DBE type (i.e. from Distributor to Supplier) are not processed the week of a bid opening



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