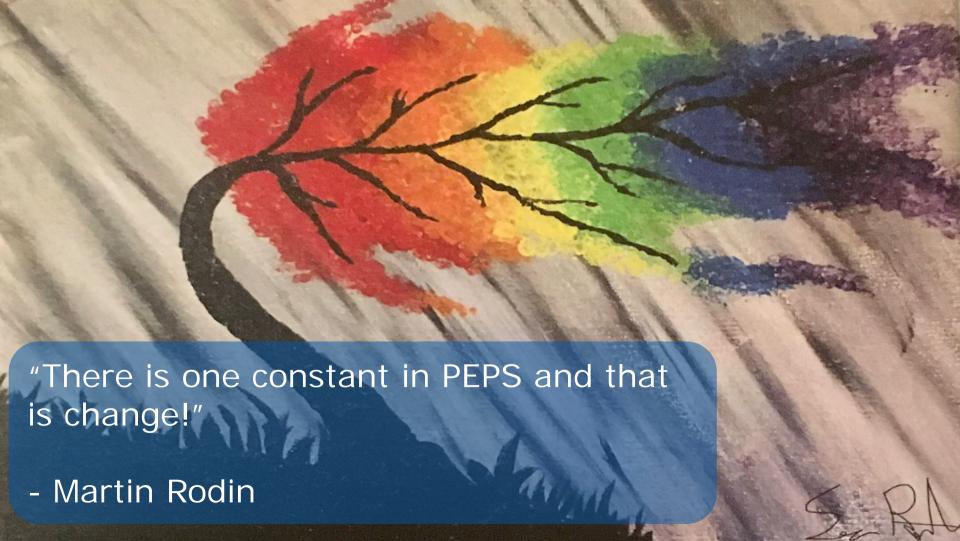


Innovations on the Road Ahead



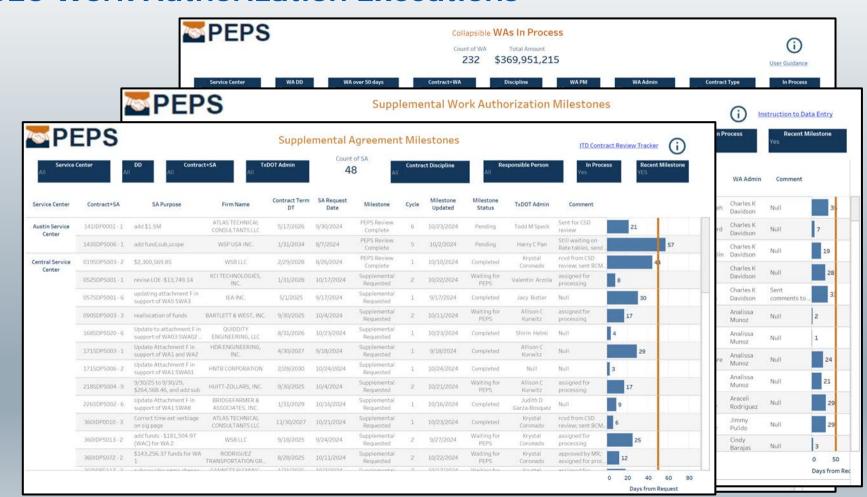
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Martin's Top List of priority items

- 1. Manage FY2025 Expenditures 95% expectation
- Manage FY2025 contract execution metrics dashboard
- 3. Manage FY2025 work authorization metrics dashboard
- 4. Review Prime Provider Evaluation scoring
- 5. Revise percentage required for BCM cost justification
- 6. Develop a preclusion policy as required by legislature
- Implement revised policy for labor rate negotiations

FY2025 Work Authorization Executions



Revised policy for labor rate negotiations

Truly annual rate negotiations starting with contracts in FY2025 Wave 2

Firms will negotiate rates for all labor rate classifications in required disciplines they anticipate pursuing work for in the following year

Rates determined using standard pick list of discipline specific labor classifications

Firms can negotiate rates for existing staff and request provisional rates for future staff positions

Applies to both ID and SD contracts

LOE Negotiation Tool

- Will use Microsoft's Power Platform and operate with the Excel based work break down structure (WBS) templates
- PEPS will manage the WBS templates
- WBS used by PMs as the starting point for LOE negotiations
 - PM may modify the WBS to match their particular project.
 - PM downloads and sends LOE template to the prime firm to begin negotiations
 - PM uploads document into the LOE Tool to capture the initial and final LOE.
 - PM downloads the final LOE for incorporation into the contract or work authorization
- Data can be used for cost estimating for future projects

Invoice Innovations

2023 DocuSign CLM Invoices received directly from consultants Assigned on automatic round robin basis

Improved visibility and tracking

Phase 1
Automated data
entry

Streamline data entry into PS-CAMS Invoice template and BOT technology Improved efficiency thru reduced manual entry

Phase 2

Al for checking

BOT will capture rated data and other elements BOT will validate rates from the contract

BOT will flag discrepancies



Invoice Signature Authority Dashboard

- New dashboard tracks signature authority on invoices.
- Ensures invoices are sent to the right PM.
- 75% reduction from 400 WA to less than 100 WA that need the PM identified.





PS-CAMS: Replacement Project

2-year project

Current activities

- Addressing security issues identified by Texas Department of Information Resources
- Working to modernize the PS-CAMS consultant portal
- Wrapping up several existing projects



PS-CAMS: Portal Updates

- > Update to a more current .NET Framework software
- Complete security scans and complete security fixes
- > Update to the chart software, which fixed the projected vs actual charts
- Printability of provider evaluations data
- Simplified data entry for the payment history
- > Resolved data overflow issues on the H-3 and H-4 forms



PS-CAMS: CEI Personnel Count

New requirement to identify the number of CEI inspectors used on TxDOT projects.

- New section in the PS-CAMS portal
- Count the number of inspectors used by the CEI team on TxDOT projects during the month
- Only count inspectors once, regardless of the number of projects visited in the month
- Include staff from both prime and subprovider team
- Count those involved in the inspection on the project



Lump Sum: PS&E Payment Schedule

Pilot program

- Table of Deliverables to become monthly payment schedule.
- Allows Districts to work with the consultant on a defined schedule of monthly payments, instead of a defined schedule of variable payments based on specific deliverable items

Participating districts - Austin, Lufkin, and Wichita Falls



Schematic/Environmental ID Scope Template Update

TxDOT/ACEC workgroup project

- Include guidance and instruction items in the General Requirements section
- Leave tasks in the Task Description and Function Codes section (similar to PS&E ID scope template)
- Also evaluating existing scope language to make appropriate changes to ensure the requirements and tasks are up to date.

CCIS Replacement

Completed March 2024

Based on a Salesforce platform

Replaced a 1990s mainframe system

Allows vendor to register directly in CCIS

Eliminated Excel version of the PTC form

Reduces the risk of errors

2024 Texas Digital Government Summit Award for "Best Application Serving an Agency's Needs in CCIS Updates"



