NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

District 7 2023 Construction Projects Update



2023 GOALS

Maximize road availability to users and maximize efficiency of winter operations.

- Validate/calibrate application systems on every truck to assure accuracy of application and reporting. Reduce the time that lanes are closed to maximize mobility for users.
- Monitor MDSS usage and compliance with recommendations.
- Track after-storm data from each winter event and evaluate for improvements/efficiencies.

Cultivate/maintain relationships with contractors and vendors.

- Attend all AGC Construction Industry Days and participate in committee meetings.
- Increase presence on construction projects in district. Visit every major project at least quarterly.

Minimize construction engineering costs.

- Avoid interest payments on delayed payments to contractors by submitting final records to Lincoln office within 55 days. Collect real-time cost of operations for all major events.
- Maintain a district average construction engineering cost of 4.5% or less.

Improve training of new hires and existing staff.

- Perform project inspection in company with DCE and Project Manager on every major project at least twice during life of project to provide training for Project Managers.
- Utilize Supervisor Boot Camp to develop new and existing supervisors.
- Utilize "Supervisor Guide to Onboarding" and "Employee Onboarding" manual tactics with all new hires.

INTERNAL/EXTERNAL COLLABORATION

- Communications Coordinating October Highway Commission Meeting in McCook, holding public information meetings on projects, and creating strategic communication handouts for engagement meetings.
- HR Coordinating career fairs.



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	PROJECT INFORMATION	IMPROVEMENT	IMPACT
1	District 7 Wetland Bank MISC-D7(1007); 71216	Wetland Bank	
2	Palisade - N-25 NH-6-2(132); 71209	Mill, Resurf., Br.	
3	N-46 - Atlanta NH-6-3(129); 71208	Resurf., Br.	
4	Atlanta - Holdrege NH-6-3(128); 71207	Resurf.	
5	Minden North STP-10-1(113); 71191	Mill, Resurf., Br.	
6	Cambridge South STP-47-1(101); 70587	Mill, Resurf., Br.	
7	Enders South SSTP-61-1(109); 71100	Mill, Resurf.	
8	In Orleans & East STP-136-3(111); 71223	Mill, Resurf., Br.	
9	Naponee - Bloomington STP-136-4(110); 70592	Resurf., Br.	

Lane Closures

2023 PRIORITIES

- Hold an informal gathering for community leaders to meet with district leadership and NDOT leadership prior to the District 7 Outstate Highway Commission in October. This will provide a great opportunity for local elected officials, economic development and chamber of commerce representatives, and local business leaders to interact with NDOT leadership.
- Communicate construction projects to impacted communities through pre-construction meetings, radio updates, local newspaper events, press releases, media outlets, the NDOT website and information sheets and mailers.
- Facilitate and participate in meetings involving internal and external partners throughout the project.
- Look for participation opportunities with local communities, organizations, and elected officials to share our plans, get ideas and constructive feedback.
- Participate in college/high school job fairs and career days to talk about our industry and opportunities at NDOT.