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Press Release

Design-Build Team Selected for I-25/Paseo del Norte Reconstruction Project

Santa Fe – The New Mexico Department of Transportation, The City of Albuquerque, The Federal Highway Administration and Bernalillo County announced on August 4th that the design-build team of Kiewit New Mexico/Bohannon Huston Inc./Terracon, all New Mexico firms, had been selected to build the Paseo Del Norte/I-25 Interchange Reconstruction Project.

The team was one of three design-build teams short-listed to bid on the Project in February 2013. The other two short-listed teams were North Gateway Joint Venture, from Arizona, and Sundt/AUI/URS Corp., with Sundt located in Arizona and AUI and URS located in New Mexico.

Kiewit New Mexico/Bohannon Huston Inc./Terracon was chosen on the basis of its overall score in the following areas, including:

Qualifications – the overall rating from the original Request for Statements of Qualifications (conducted in early 2013 to select short-listed design-build teams to bid on the project);

Management Approach – a project management plan and agreement not to exceed the guaranteed maximum price of \$75 million to build the project;

Proposed Baseline Progress Schedule – right-of-way acquisition, design completion, construction activities and a clearly identified critical path to meet the project schedule;

Technical Approach – effective management of traffic, structural design, roadway design, traffic engineering, geotechnical engineering, pavement design, drainage design, intelligent transportation systems, utilities and environmental/noise impacts;

Price and Added Value – a commitment to exceed the contract requirements and right-of-way cost savings; and

Schedule Incentives – a commitment to build the project in the shortest amount of time possible.

The team will be responsible for finalizing contract negotiations and beginning completion of the project design this month. Once the contract is finalized, they are expected to receive notice to proceed with construction outside the primary construction zone in early September 2013. Actual construction in the construction zone is expected to begin the week after the 2013 Albuquerque Balloon Fiesta in October. The project is scheduled to be completed in less than two years.

The \$93 million Paseo Del Norte/I-25 Interchange Reconstruction Project includes:

- 1) A free-flow ramp to improve eastbound Paseo Del Norte to southbound I-25 traffic movement during morning peak travel time;
- 2) A flyover ramp to improve northbound I-25 to westbound Paseo Del Norte traffic movement during afternoon peak travel time;
- 3) An overpass at the intersection of Jefferson Street and Paseo Del Norte to improve east-west access and local traffic flow;
- 4) Bicycle and pedestrian improvements to provide a critical link across I-25 and connect existing paths in the area;
- 5) Improved freeway access for traffic originating east of the Paseo Del Norte/I-25 interchange; and 6) I-25 mainline improvements between the Alameda Boulevard and Jefferson Street interchanges to improve safety and traffic flow.

Individuals can sign up for free email or text alerts by visiting the Project website, www.paseoi25.com or can call (505) 245-3150 for additional information.

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