



I-49 South Implementation Proposal

APPENDIX I

Response to Comments on Draft Implementation Proposal



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STATE PROJECT NO. H.005171
I-49 STUDY TO IDENTIFY INTERIM IMPROVEMENTS FOR SAFETY AND EFFICIENCY

MEMORANDUM

November 12, 2013

To: Quang "Wayne" Nguyen, DOTD Project Manager

From: Louis Costa, AECOM

RE: Comments on Draft Implementation proposal

Thank you for calling these issues to my attention. I am sorry for the lack of clarity that resulted. Please send me any further comments that you receive from the DOTD team or from FHWA.

As I understand, there are two issues that must be addressed:

1. The ability to determine where each Freeway Project begins and ends for Section 4 Raceland to the Westbank Expressway, and
2. The difference in costs shown for certain projects between the draft and the Parish handouts.

Issue 1

A revised copy of Appendix G Freeway Program Projects, Raceland to the Westbank Expressway (Section 4): Conceptual Design Sheets & Comparison Maps of Freeway Program Projects with Selected Alternative in ROD has been sent by other means due to its size. The copy initially submitted was incorrect because, unfortunately, the layer with the indications of Begin Project/End Project that are found on all Comparison Maps was inadvertently turned off on Sheets 2 through 7 when the pdf files were prepared.

Issue 2

The difference in costs shown in Tables 4 and 5 and in Appendix H in the draft Implementation Proposal from the costs shown in the Parish handouts is a result of my copying the costs in the Raceland to the Westbank Expressway, 2011 Report. The Parish handouts are correct because they were adjusted by 3% to account for the estimated inflation from 2011 to 2012 in order to have all costs in that year. The text, tables, and appendix are being corrected and an explanation is being added so that readers of Appendix C will understand why the figures found there do not match the text of the main document.