



EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Progress at The Banks is evident from all views surrounding the project site. Concrete walls have encased the interior of the Intermodal Center, and the multi-level facility continues to be constructed. As the construction progresses, the project team continues to collaborate productively. Meetings are held on a regular basis to discuss several important issues including: utility plans, Maintenance of Traffic (MOT), design coordination, and construction updates. The continuous communication among the team is essential to effectively managing the project.

Highlights this month are summarized below:

Safety

Over 729 workers have attended the Construction Manager’s jobsite safety orientation program to date, and have worked over 74,692 hours on site through July 31, 2009, without a lost time accident. In July, Messer recognized reaching a significant safety milestone – 70,000 hours worked without a lost time accident.

Inclusion

The Inclusion Team held several meetings with community organizations throughout the month to discuss current workforce participation and identify opportunities for workforce development. EMS continues to follow-up with those who attended the June 30, 2009, outreach meeting to respond to their questions, provide information, and encourage certification.

The overall participation for Small Business Enterprises (SBEs) for construction is 35%, exceeding the 30% goal. Minority Business Enterprise participation (MBE) for construction is 9.6% and Women Business Enterprise (WBE) participation is 3.6%. The combined minority and female workforce participation continues to exceed the 22% goal; currently the combined participation is 25.42%.

Budget

The Phase 1 of the IDMA remains within budget. The Banks Phase 1 Construction Budget cost tracking tool includes the latest status of approved change orders and potential change orders sorted by collective Bid Package. Construction budget status information is contained within the Budget Section of this monthly report.

Schedule

The Phase 1 of the IDMA remains on schedule; the Intermodal Facility completion date remains 5/17/09. Parks construction will begin early November 2009 and the private development will begin in mid-November 2009. Construction schedule status information is contained within the Schedule Section of this monthly report.

The contractor for Bid Package 6, Monarch Construction, mobilized on site. Bid packages 1, 2, and 3 are in the final stages of the closeout process. BP4 underground plumbing continued in Blocks 16 & 20. BP8 was awarded to three individual trade contractors (Monarch, Peck, Hannaford & Briggs, and DeBra-Kuempel) and will begin to mobilize on site in August. Block 26. BP5 concrete placements continued with visible progress on all three levels and the first four podium pours were completed mid month. BP7 construction reached an important milestone this month; the concrete placement of the Freedom Way East (FWE) topping slab. A Bidwell machine was used to place the concrete for this new city street. Work on Freedom Way West (FWW) continued as curbs and sidewalks were placed and shoring was removed. Race Street was closed throughout the month, allowing crews to remove old asphalt from the Race Street surface to prepare for the installation of new expansion joints. Race Street will continue to be closed through August and Rosa Parks will remain a two-way street throughout the duration of Phase 2 until the new Freedom Way is complete and open to vehicular traffic. BP7 crews began underground plumbing installation under FWW in July.

*Please see Appendix C, Glossary of Acronyms, for an explanation of the acronyms contained within.