

Pickering, John

From: Pickering, John
Sent: Friday, July 27, 2001 8:02 AM
To: Purvis, Keith
Subject: FW: House Bill 1596 10 mile segment reporting requirements

I'm sure Wendel will be coming to us for the answers. I am attaching Kathleen's initial e-mail on this matter containing the projects she needs information on. It appears to me that Wendel's answer below about the two 605 jobs is not what the legislature is wanting. I think the legislature is wanting to know, "Why is the project less than 10 miles in length?" Some typical answers are: (1) logical termini, (2) the project can get too big in terms of money, which may eliminate some smaller contractors, (3) the project was split in two, because one segment had ROW or environmental problems, which will hold up that segment for quite some time. I'm sure there are many more reasons.



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From: Morris, Kathleen
Sent: Friday, July 27, 2001 7:22 AM
To: Ruff, Wendel; Pickering, John
Subject: RE: House Bill 1596 10 mile segment reporting requirements

I need the information on the other projects by Wednesday of next week so I can get it on the agenda. Thanks so much!

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From: Ruff, Wendel
Sent: Thursday, July 19, 2001 8:39 AM
To: Morris, Kathleen; Pickering, John
Subject: FW: House Bill 1596 10 mile segment reporting requirements

Kathleen - The two 605 jobs are actually parts of the two adjacent projects being let at the same time. We broke them out to assure that construction through the Tradition development would be apart of the first contract. We were not sure which adjacent project would go first. Pick - Add more comments if you like and address the other two projects.

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From: McMahan, Steve
Sent: Wednesday, July 18, 2001 3:26 PM
To: Kopf, Jim; Ruff, Wendel
Subject: FW: House Bill 1596 10 mile segment reporting requirements

Chief, in discussions with District 6 and Construction Div. these decisions were made in the design stage by Wendel. So I am going to give them to him.

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From: Kopf, Jim
Sent: **Wednesday, July 18, 2001 11:13 AM**
To: **McMahan, Steve**
Cc: **Portera, Joy; Morris, Kathleen**
Subject: **FW: House Bill 1596 10 mile segment reporting requirements**

Steve, I guess the best way to handle this is for a representative from construction division to get with the appropriate district and put a brief narrative together for Kathleen. The narrative should have elements associated with the law that gives us various exceptions or just common sense statements if appropriate. Brevity is the key.

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From: **Morris, Kathleen**
Sent: Wednesday, July 18, 2001 8:34 AM
To: Kopf, Jim
Subject: RE: House Bill 1596 10 mile segment reporting requirements

| <u>Project #</u> | <u>Termini</u> | <u>Length</u> |
|------------------|---|---------------|
| 101214/301000 | SR 605 from I-10 to White Star Road | 5.79 |
| 101214/303000 | SR 605 from White Star Rd to Sr 67 | 1.95 |
| 102645/001000 | US 84 from Lincoln cty line to old SR 27 | 7.941 |
| 100517/301000 | US 51 from Natchez Trace to end of 3 lane section | 4.6 |

This is the list through the end of September. I'd like to have the information for the first Commission meeting in August. Thanks so much for your help!

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From: Kopf, Jim
Sent: Wednesday, July 18, 2001 7:50 AM
To: Morris, Kathleen
Subject: RE: House Bill 1596 10 mile segment reporting requirements
Importance: High

If you will send the list to me, I will see that the appropriate person responds.

-----Original Message-----

From: **Morris, Kathleen**
Sent: Tuesday, July 17, 2001 11:53 AM
To: Ruff, Wendel; Kopf, Jim
Cc: Farris, Pat
Subject: House Bill 1596 10 mile segment reporting requirements

Gentlemen,
House Bill 1596 requires us to provide explanation and justification for letting a contract for new construction (which we are interpreting as adding lanes or construction on new location) in a segment less than 10 miles, and enter that information on the Commission minutes. After approval by the Commission, that portion of the minutes must be forwarded to the Chaimen of the House and Senate Transportation Committees.

To this end, I will be periodically compiling the list of projects that need to be addressed, and taking care of making sure this information is reported as required by the statute. However, I need an engineering contact to provide the explanation/justification portion of the information. Would you please appoint someone to work with me on this? Thanks so much!

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