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Alaska DOT&PF Civil Rights Office

# Transporter Newsletter

**Second Quarter 2021** 

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The *Transporter* is a quarterly publication by the Alaska DOT&PF Civil Rights Office, designed to keep the our valued DBEs, partners and stakeholders up to date with the latest news and information from the Alaska DOT&PF Civil Rights Office.

#### Finalizing the Alaska DOT&PF 2021-2023 DBE Goal Methodology

March, 2021

The Civil Rights Office is working to finalize the last revisions and updates to the Alaska DOT&PF FFY 2021-2023 DBE Goal Methodology.

Keep up to date on the most recent updates, and future events related to the DBE Goal Methodology by checking on the Civil Rights



#### Office webpage!

Note: The public comment period for the most recent revisions has not re-opened. Stay tuned for the public comment period to reopen.

FFY 2021-2023 DBE Goal Methodology

FFY 2021-2023 FHWA DBE Goal Methodology Public Comment

The Civil Rights Office (CRO) would like to invite you to participate in the upcoming public comment period for the Federal Highway Administration (FHVIA) FFY 2021-2023 drift proposed Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Goal Methodology. The public comment period is open from December 15, 2021 to January 31, 2021.

The Alaska Department of Transportation is Public Facilities (DTAEF) proposes the following overall DBE goal: 9.97%, race-neutral and 0.00% race-conscious. You may find the preliminary draft of the goal methodology online here (https://dx.ce.neutral.and.org/draft).

(PHVA) FFY 2021-2023 draft proposed Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DXB) Goal Methodology (https://dx.ce.neutral.and.org/draft).

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Comments regarding the overall goal methodology may be submitted during the comment period via fax, mail, or e-mail, and should follow the Comment Form available here (hour Register).

Mail comments:

Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facilities

CVIN Rights Office

PO, Box 196900

All comments must be submitted prior to the close of business (5.00 PM AKST) January 31, 2021.

Dec. 28, 2020 Virtual Public Meeting - SUDES (https://dx.ce.neutral.public Meeting



The CRO is pleased to welcome the following new DBE firms!

- <u>Lundy Enterprises</u>
- Global Train Services, LLC
- Veneklasen Associates, Inc.
- Arctic Swan Construction, Inc.

## ALASKA DBE & SUBCONTRACTORS' CONFERENCE

2021 DBE and Subcontractors Conference!

#### Did you miss it?

The Annual DBE & Subcontractors'
Conference was held on March 2nd, 4th, 9th, and 11th. While the virtual DBE &
Subcontractors Conference has wrapped for this year, we've posted the event to the CRO webpage.

Check out the News & Events Page of the Civil Rights Office webpage to see all the videos of each days' events, and the presentations!

Links to the documents and materials by our



presenters are also linked on the pages!

A special thank you to our partners at AGC, and the Procurement Technical Assistance Center for helping to sponsor and organize this years' virtual conference.

A huge thanks to all of our presenters, including Alaska DOT&PF Commissioner John MacKinnon!

Full DBE Conference Recap





### Phishing E-mails - What to look for!







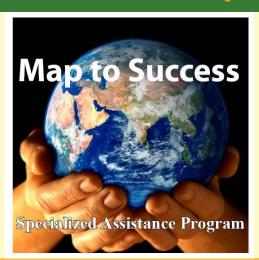
## E-mail Scams and CRO communications

Please be aware of an ongoing annual declaration DBE certification impersonation. The Civil Rights Office staff has received phone calls and emails about the scammers impersonating the Civil Rights Office (CRO) last week. All DBEs should stay vigilant against this scheme.

The suspect emails use various subject lines such as DBE Certification – Annual Declaration. It asks firms to complete and submit the attached declaration including a complete copy of the firm's most recent tax returns in order to continue their DBE eligibility. It also asks firms to report changes in ownership and/or control of the firm before the annual anniversary date.

All emails concerning DBE Certification will come directly from the Civil Rights Office staff. When in doubt, please contact the <u>Civil Rights Office staff</u> before clicking on the link or download the attachments.

### 2021 Map to Success Program



# The 2021 Map to Success Application opens in April

Are you a newly certified DBE, or perhaps you want to take a look at where your business should go from here?

Watch the Civil Rights Office webpage for the 2021 Map to Success Program Application!

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