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To: ACEC Indiana Member Firms (that perform INDOT Construction Inspection Services)
From: Beth Bauer, Executive Director
Re: INDOT Construction Inspection Overtime memo: ACEC Indiana message to member firms

INDOT released a memo on May 5th to address use of overtime for construction inspection on its projects. If your firm does INDOT work, you probably already read it, and if your firm does LPA work only, you may have heard about it. The memo is directed at both INDOT staff and consultants.

For ACEC Indiana member firms that perform construction inspection services for INDOT, the policy should not be anything different than your current practices of managing your staff and balancing workloads. As consultants, your firm already effectively manages your part of the project. If overtime is essential on a specific project, communication is essential and pre-approval is required.

FHWA Compliance: INDOT confirmed that this policy complies with the federal requirement for full time oversight of projects as it is intended to minimize any unnecessary time/cut down on unnecessary overtime, and to improve management of projects.

LPA Projects: the overtime policy and approval of overtime does not apply to LPA projects. It only applies to INDOT projects.

ACEC Indiana and our member firms working with INDOT are all part of the Indiana Transportation Team; managing construction inspection overtime is a reasonable policy to help manage project costs as long as quality and safety are not impaired. However, if your construction inspectors find some specific issues that warrant attention, please share that information with us so we can elevate it as needed.

Contact Beth Bauer at bbauer@acecindiana.org or 317-637-3563 to discuss any instances of concern.