

# PENNSYLVANIA TURNPIKE COMMISSION

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# **VISION**

To be a leader in mobility services at the forefront of innovation in transportation, safety and customer experience.

# **MISSION**

To operate a safe, reliable, customer-valued toll road system that supports national mobility and commerce.

**GOALS** 

# **VALUES**



SAFETY ALWAYS



COMMUNICATE OPENLY





CUSTOMER Driven





RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS



### **Continuous Improvement:**

Focus on enhancing processes for the benefit of the workforce, customers and business partners

### **Evaluation Over Routine:**

Encourages employees to assess if tasks and processes can be improved, avoiding the mindset of "we've always done it this way."



**Best-in-Class:** Embodies a commitment to being best-in-class and encourages self-reflection and evaluation at all levels.

### **Innovation Without Disruption:**

Supports everyday improvements and evaluation without necessarily requiring large-scale changes.

### **Mindset of Excellence:**

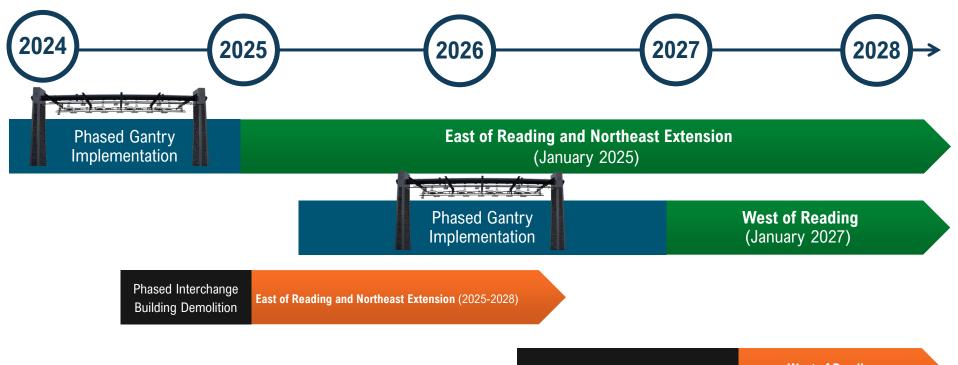
Exemplifies asking, "Could this be done better?" in all work areas.







# **OPEN ROAD TOLLING CONVERSION**



Phased Interchange Building Demolition

West of Reading (2027-2030)





January 28th - January 29th, 2026



### DB REPORTS – GOOD FAITH EFFORT FORM

### DB/DBE Professional Services Status Report MPL/Goal Good Faith Effort (GFE) Documentation

Complete this document and attach it to form EO-402PS (01/2018) if the % Paid to Date to DB/DBE firms does not meet or exceed the MPL/Goal. This document should be updated at least quarterly during the life of the contract whenever the % paid to date to DB/DBE firms is under the MPL/Goal.

Contract Number:		
Project Description/Name:		
Prime Consultant:		
Date:		
EO-402PS (Attached) Report Date:		
Section 1 – Projected MPL/Goal at C	Contract Completion	
1. Will you meet or exceed the MPL/0	Goal at the completion of the co	ontract?
Yes, the MPL/Goal will be n		mpletion
Section 2 - Unmet MPL/Goal Circum	stances	
Is an additional Work Order, Suppl would provide an opportunity for m MPL/Goal?     Yes     No		
3. Did a change in the scope of work the contracted DB/DBE subconsult  Yes  No		nt of work anticipated for
4. Were supplemental services (inclu the contracted DB/DBE subconsult work? Did the contract or WO inclu solicit or identify DB/DBE subcontraction of the property of the contract of the property of the pro	ants added that led to a reduci ide emergency work where the	ed percentage of DB/DBE
<ol> <li>Did the subconsultant DB/DBE experform the planned work?</li> <li>☐ Yes</li> <li>☐ No</li> </ol>	oress or show a lack of technic	al proficiency or capacity to
6. Did the subconsultant DB/DBE dec	cline the work?	

EO-402PS Good Faith Effort (01/2018)

	Were efforts made, including market research, to identify other DB/DBE subconsultants who could perform the actual assigned work?  Yes No
8.	Was there a request made to add or substitute a DB/DBE consultant who may have the technical proficiency and capacity to perform the assigned work?  ☐ Yes ☐ No
9.	Have you provided interested DB/DBE subconsultants with adequate information about the work and services in a timely manner to assist them to responding to assigned work?  ☐ Yes ☐ No
10.	Do you have evidence of efforts made to engage DB/DBE consultants in the assigned work?  Yes (attach any evidence that is relevant)  No
Sa	ction 4 - Written Statement
In t	he form field provided below, provide a brief explanation addressing the circumstances and of faith effort that relate to the DB/DBE MPL/Coal not being met. Address the questions
	ove and attach any additional information that is deemed necessary.

\*Statement should be concise in length and limited to the form field provided above.

Based on the response to the questions above and any additional information provided, the PTC will determine if the consultant made Good Faith Efforts to meet the DB/DBE MPL/Goal for this agreement during the performance of services as defined in the Commission's DB Requirements.





Participation that reflects community and its diversity



Continued engagement beyond a single project



Improved trust between public and agency



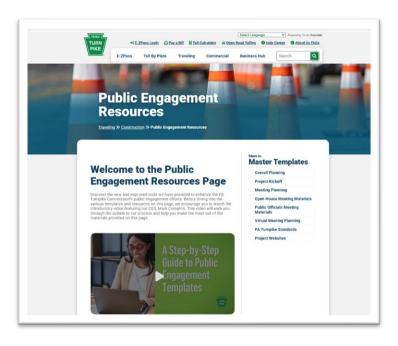
Stakeholders and Public feel heard and respected



Tangible outcomes and decisions influenced by input



## **RESOURCES**





Public Involvement Plan



Turnpike TV Video Series



**Project Webpage Standardization** 



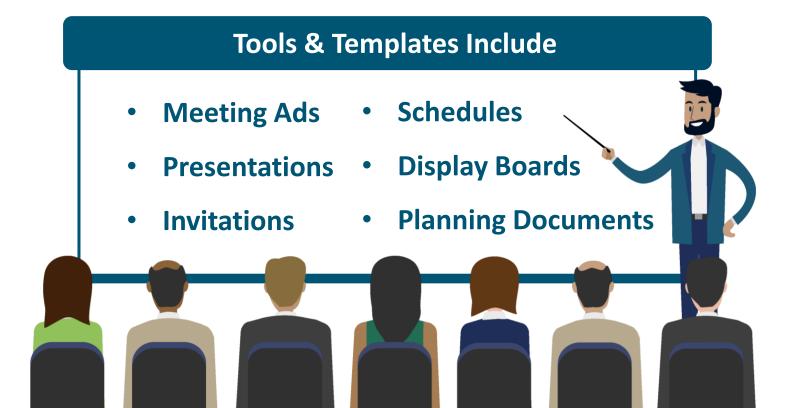
Public Engagement Resources Webpage for Consultants



**Tools and Templates** 



https://www.paturnpike.com/engineeringtemplates

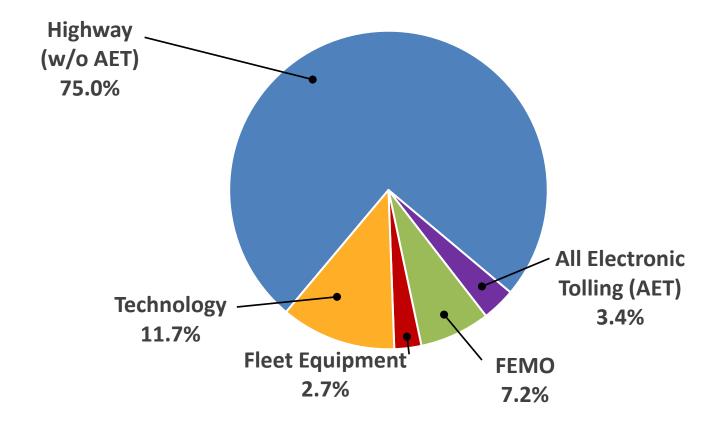




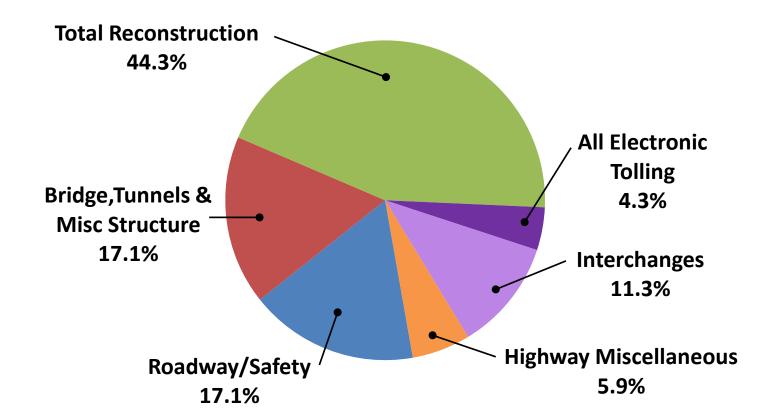
### TURNPIKE TV VIDEO SERIES

- <u>Turnpike TV Promo Video Player Vbrick</u>
- <u>Turnpike TV Good Neighbor Video Player Vbrick</u>
- <u>Turnpike TV Preliminary Design Video Player Vbrick</u>
- Turnpike TV Final Design Video Player Vbrick
- Turnpike TV Right of Way Video Player Vbrick
- <u>Turnpike TV Noise Walls Video Player Vbrick</u>
- <u>Turnpike TV Construction Video Player Vbrick</u>
- <u>Turnpike TV Capital Plan Video Player Vbrick</u>
- <u>Turnpike TV Total Reconstruction Video Player Vbrick</u>
- Turnpike TV Expansion and New Access Video Player Vbrick
- <u>Turnpike TV Bridges Video Player Vbrick</u>











### MAJOR INITIATIVES - COST SAVINGS OPPORTUNITIES

Incorporating HiMA layer to reduce pavement section ( $\pm$ \$1 to 2 M/mile)

Rock Slopes vs Articulating Block Walls (+\$100K/site)

Limiting Aesthetics on Mainline Bridges (TBD)

Eliminating Multi Colors on Noise Walls (+\$500K to \$1M/project)

Chemically Stabilized Subgrade (+\$2M to \$8M/project)



# **How Does This Benefit Me?**



#### Resources

- Will save everyone time!
- Improve communication throughout design/construction.



### Leadership

- Prepare for the next level!
- Honing your skills will yield more effective results quicker.



#### PM

- Provide a more predictable process for you and your project team!
- This is our business and training will save us and you time/money.



#### **Technical Skills**

• Quality is Everyone's Responsibility!





# **LEADERSHIP – YEAR 1**

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My Professional Development Journey - Kevin Scheurich

A Blueprint for Effective Workplace Leadership

A Guide to Mentoring Others

A Guide to Managing Remote Teams

Leading with Emotional Intelligence

The Secrets of Skilled Delegation

5 Leadership Styles to Influence a Team

Leaders in Our Industry - Cheryl Moon

**Leaders in Our Industry - Art Hoffmann** 





# **RESOURCES - YEAR 1**

	Engineering Based GeoAnalytic Resources, Tips & Tricks
	Design Operations Manual (DOM) Introduction - Module #1
S	Design Operations Manual (DOM) Introduction - Module #2
ပို	Design Operations Manual (DOM) Introduction - Module #3
ource	Intranet & Internet Site Resource Overview
S	OnBase & Existing Plan Tips & Tricks
Res	Item Numbers
S	SAP Overview and Q&A
PT	EBS Price History
_	Project Collaboration Methods (Kahua, SharePoint, Teams, etc)
	Bluebeam Revu Overview for Effective Project Reviews





# PM - YEAR 1

Project Management PM 101

Improving PM Skills

Scope Management

**Project Finances** 

**Business Writing** 

Team Building

PM Scheduling

Communication Strategies

**Contract Negotiations** 

**Conflict Management** 





# **TECHNICAL SKILLS – YEAR 1**

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**Utilities Training for Project Managers** 

Design & Pre-Bid Construction Schedules

Digital Delivery (PIM/CAD Standards for PMs)

Constructability: Basic Intro/Overview

Project Highlights & Lessons Learned in 2024

**Erosion and Sediment Control Practices and Construction Considerations** 

Maintenance's Perspective on Maintainability

Threatened and Endangered Species, Tree Clearing, and Planning on Highway Projects

Geotechnical Hazards of Pennsylvania

Lifecycle of Stormwater Control Measures





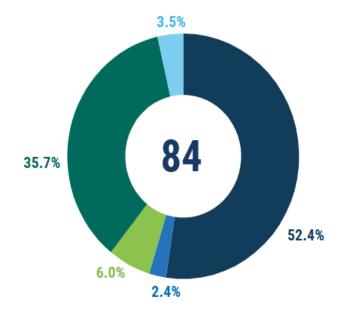


# WFD – Year 1 (FY25) Survey Results

**Online Survey Conducted: May 2025** 

**Summary Presentation: June 2025** 

### **SURVEY RESPONSES BY DEPARTMENT**

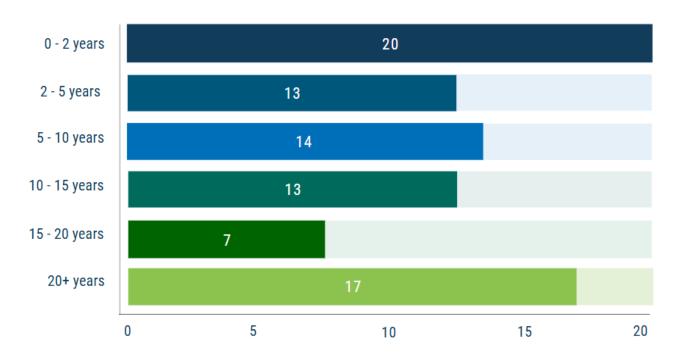


<u>Unit</u>	Responses	
Design	44	
Construction	30	
Facilities	5	
Traffic	2	
Other	3	

- 84% participation rate based on estimated 100 active program participants.
- Received 82 attendance tracking sheets for IBTTA Award.
- Similar response to January 2024 Engineering Survey = 82 responses



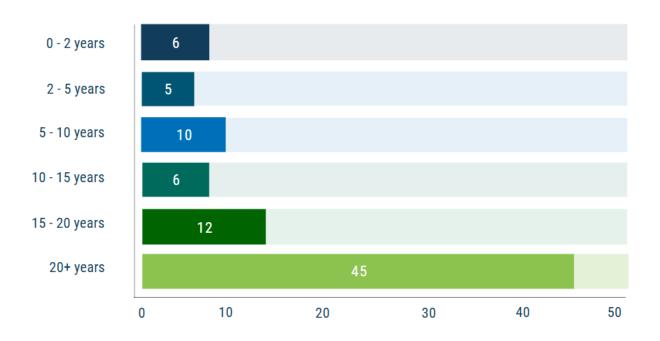
### YEARS WORKED AT PA TURNPIKE



- Highlights need and importance of knowledge transfer.
- Highlights challenge of delivering training that meets the needs of staff with a broad range of PTC experience.



### YEARS OF PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE



 54% of respondents have 20+ years of experience, highlighting long-tenured staff plus recent mid-career hires.



### **OVERALL PROGRAM RATING**

### How would you rate PA Turnpike's Workforce Development Program overall?





### PROGRAM IMPACT ON JOB PERFORMANCE

How has the Workforce Development Program helped you perform your job more efficiently or effectively? (1 star = not at all, 5 stars = a great deal)





79% of respondents recognize program's positive impact on their efficiency and effectiveness (3-stars or above)



### PROGRAM IMPACT ON JOB SATISFACTION

Level 5

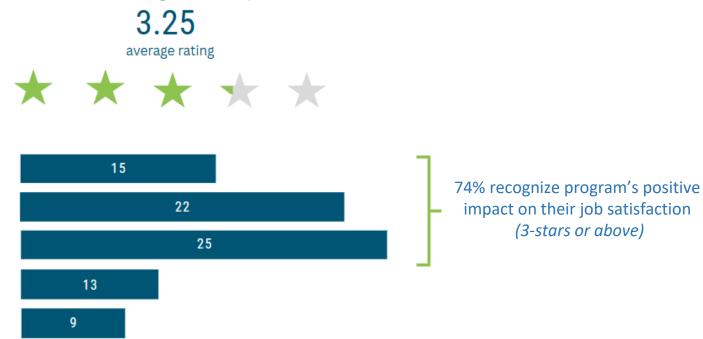
Level 4

Level 3

Level 2

Level 1

How has the Workforce Development Program increased your job satisfaction? (1 star = not at all, 5 stars = a great deal)





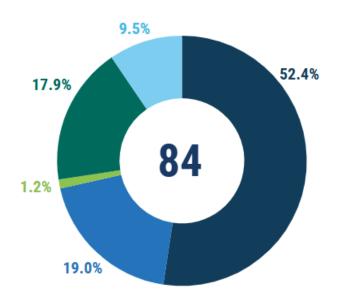
### PROGRAM IMPACT ON PROJECT DESIGN & DELIVERY

How well has the Workforce Development Program improved the PTC's design and project delivery processes? (1 star = not at all, 5 stars = a great deal)



### **APPLICATION OF KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS**

How many times a week would you estimate that you apply knowledge or skills gained through the Workforce Development Program?

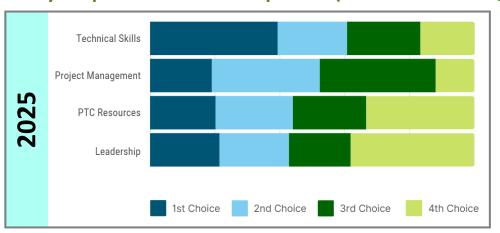


<u>Frequency</u>	Count	
Always/Everyday	8	
Often	15	
Sometimes	44	
Rarely	16	
Never	1	

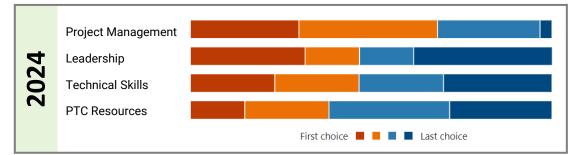


### PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT RANKING

Please rank the sub-committee tracks in order from most beneficial to least beneficial to your professional development. (1=most beneficial, 5=least beneficial)



 After almost one year of trainings, Technical Skills is ranked as the most beneficial track.





### WHAT EMPLOYEES VALUE MOST



- ✓ Strong support for learning & development:
  - Building foundational knowledge
  - Beneficial for new employees
  - Growth in current roles
- ✓ Appreciation for variety, relevance, engagement, structure and delivery:
  - Diverse and relevant content.
- ✓ Positive impact on culture & collaboration:
  - Sharing experiences across departments
  - Team building

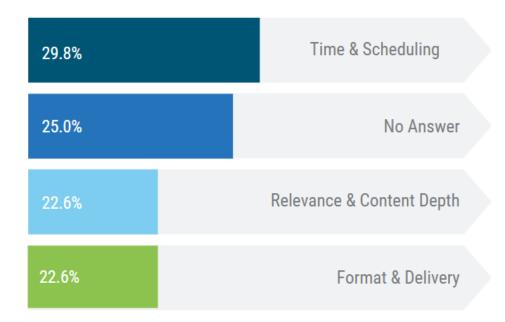


### WHAT EMPLOYEES VALUE MOST - QUOTES

- People first culture that promotes training, mentoring and career development.
- The knowledge transfer from more experienced staff while in training sessions and learning from industry experts and their experiences.
- I like that it provides a crash course on a lot of different learning tracks--some that directly affect my position and some that don't.
- As a newer employee it has improved my overall understanding of the Commission and has greatly improved the efficiency with which I am able to access resources. It has also served as a way for me to become more familiar with staff.
- Seeing everyone in person in the same room.



### WHAT EMPLOYEES VALUE LEAST



- ✓ Time & scheduling:
  - Weekly sessions can be burdensome
  - Wednesday is a busy office day
  - Mandatory attendance requirement
  - Rescheduling problems
- ✓ Relevance & Content Depth:
  - Sessions are broad, repetitive, or basic
  - Sessions do not apply to job functions
  - Sessions are not role or tenure specific
- ✓ Format & Delivery:
  - Quality vs. quantity
  - Long sessions
  - Lack of external or industry experts
  - Technical problems

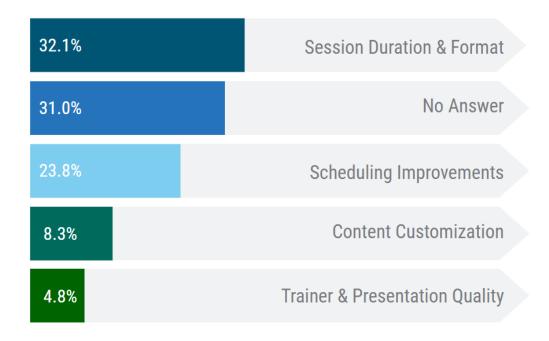


### WHAT EMPLOYEES VALUE LEAST - QUOTES

- Some may not apply to me currently, so I am sometimes left a little lost.
- The mandatory attendance for many topics is not worth the time or is not applicable to job duties and takes time away from vital tasks.
- Sometimes it feels hard to prioritize WFD trainings when I have a lot of other work on my plate that needs to get finished.
- "Death by PowerPoint." Also, its really geared towards design. Yes, it's nice seeing majority design.., but a lot of these skills can be captured by both construction and design.
- Some of the sessions were very broad overview. It may be helpful to dive further into the details in following years.



### PROGRAM IMPROVEMENT SUGGESTIONS

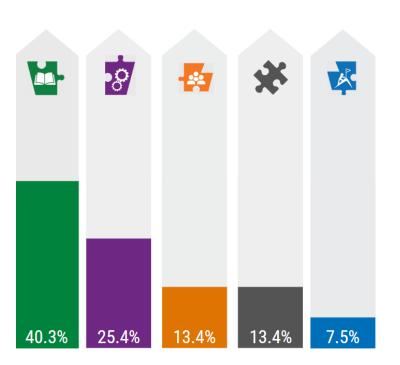


- ✓ Session Duration & Format
  - More interactive sessions (12)
  - Smaller groups (3)
  - Remote attendance option (3)
  - Shorter sessions (2)
- ✓ Scheduling Improvements
  - Offer other class days than Wednesdays (7)
  - Less frequency (6)
- ✓ Content Customization
  - Deeper dive into job relevant topics (3)
- ✓ Trainer & Presentation Quality
  - Use industry experts (2)



### **LEARNING TOPICS SUGGESTIONS**

67 topics suggestions. 17 topics covered by a previous or planned session.



### **Sample of Other Topic Suggestions**



#### **PTC RESOURCES**

Artificial Intelligence, Customer service, Interdepartmental insights, Claims and Project Closeout



#### **TECHNICAL SKILLS**

Safety, Roadway projects and problems, Construction activities, Emergency situations/responses



#### **PROJECT MANAGEMENT**

Managing consultants, Construction specific PM skills



#### **OTHER**

Lessons learned



#### **LEADERSHIP**

Stress management, Work-life balance, Teamwork







# **LEADERSHIP – YEAR 2**

Leaders in Our Industry - TBD

-eadership

Leaders in Our Industry - Barry Schoch, P.E.

How to Be an Ethical Leader

Motivating Your Team

Communicating Change

Leaders in Our Industry - Rose Bougher

Develop a Thriving Team

How Great Leaders Solve Problems

Performance Management

Accountability in the Workplace





# **RESOURCES - YEAR 2**

TC Resources

Public Engagement Plan
Project Collaboration Methods
Plans Presentation Basics
DOM Preliminary Design Submissions
Traffic Design Standards
DOM Final Design Submissions
DCG Overview
DOM Right-of-Way Process
Roadway Design Standards
Structure Design Standards





# PM - YEAR 2

Project Management **Project Page Upgrade: Content Creation & Walkthrough** 

Quality Management

**Business Meetings/DRMs** 

**Contract Negotiations** 

Risk Management

Invoicing

Managing Multiple Priorities

JOC Process

Secrets to Successful Reporting

**Effective Presentations** 





# **TECHNICAL SKILLS – YEAR 2**

**Technical Skills** 

Environmental #5: Noise Wall Analysis

Constructability 2: Project Sequencing

Plan Review 1

Environmental #6: Environmental Unit Overview

Traffic 1 - HOPs / Detours / PennDOT Coordination

Specifications Writing/Reviewing 101

Project Highlights & Lessons Learned in 2025

Constructability 3: Constructability for Structures

Geotechnical Hazards of Pennsylvania

Plan Review 2



### **Quality Management**



Panel moderated by Kevin Scheurich Wednesday - 1:00 pm to 2:30 pm CAB Ground Open Area & WRO 201

9/24

How to be an Ethical Leader



Presenter: Tim Johnson (Baker) Wednesday - 1:00 pm to 2:30 pm CAB 358 Large Board Room & WRO 201 Submissions

Tuesday, December 16 - Communicating Change





# **Upcoming Construction Field Views for Engineering**

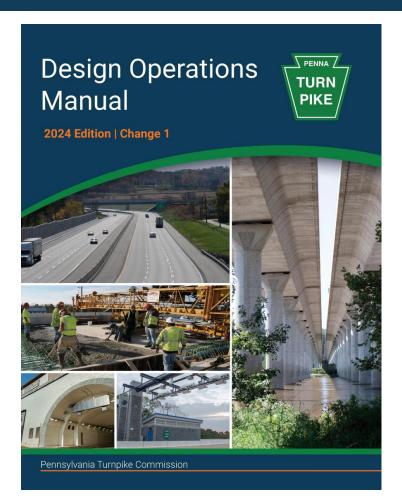


Beaver River Bridge Replacement Thursday – 10:00 am



PennStress Facility Tour Tuesday - 7:00 am

See sign-up links below!





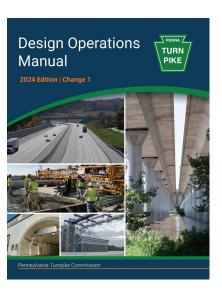
**Foundational Submission** 

Guidance per Unit

Admin & Cursory Review

Field View

PM Role – Value Added Comments





### DOM – FINAL DESIGN SUBMISSIONS

### **60% OTS**

Roll Plots & In Person

Do we have checklists?

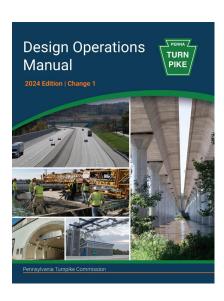
### 75% Submission

Supervisor/Unit Leader Comment Overview

Specs substantially complete for this phase

Geotech annotations and treatments

Consultants not on bluebeam session





### **CONSULTANT TAKEAWAYS**

Is the submission complete?

Was the submission QC'd?

PTC Project ownership

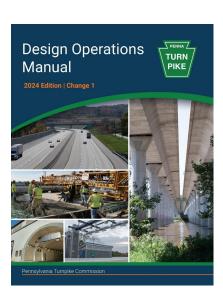
Checklists and training to be developed

DOM updates forthcoming

Focus on value added comments

Consistent major submission processes

Create high quality & efficient projects with better profits





# **Quality Is Everyone's Responsibility**

