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Smugglers' Notch Parking and Stormwater Improvement Project

Addendum #3

This addendum responds to questions posed during the bid period, but not answered in previous addenda:

Q1: Traffic Control Notes, Sheet 102: Notes 3 and 4 are contradictory. Please elaborate with regards to Note 4 and a short-term full road closure. Can the full-road closure be for the entire 9 am – 3 pm period and/or on consecutive days? Will a full detour route through Hyde Park and Morrisville with all the required MUTCD detour signing and accompanying message boards be required? Can the existing seasonal road closure signs and message boards along Routes 15, 100 and 108 in surrounding towns be utilized for the temporary full-road closure?

A1: Notes 3 and 4 do not contradict, but instead supplement each other. Short-term daily full roadway closures as described would be allowed with an approved traffic control plan. Yes, the full 9 am – 3 pm period could be used. Recurring full closures for extended periods would not be acceptable, but occasional short periods (1-2 days at a time) to more safely manage traffic and better facilitate efficient construction activities would be considered on a case-by-case basis. For the purposes of bidding, assume that a full detour sign package would be required and that the VTrans-owned message boards could not be used for direct messaging, but could supplement the contractor's messaging.

Q2: The new signs on Sheet 101 exceed the size typically specified as Type A. Could they be installed as two piece signs in order to utilize standard available materials?

A2: Yes

Q3: Several contractors have indicated difficulty in finding a sub to perform the Bituminous Surface Treatment and asked if another option would be available or considered.

A3: Alternative methods to provide a grit surface on the paved lots would be considered after award. The purpose of the surface treatment is to provide a textured wearing surface on the bituminous concrete pavement, both for aesthetics and to provide greater traction for pedestrian uses.
