KDOT/ACEC-KS LIAISON COMMITTEE PARTNERING AGREEMENT

May 11, 2020

We, the members of the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) and the American Council of Engineering Companies of Kansas (ACEC-KS) Liaison Committee, agree to the following objectives, processes, and action items:

- 1. Taking the lead in meeting the goals and objectives of the Partnering Agreement and in implementing its action plans.
- 2. Resolving issues as prioritized by identifying appropriate teams or task groups and assigning specific charges and deadlines; implementing adopted solutions.
- 3. Reinforcing positive relationships and ethics to KDOT/ACEC-KS engineers through partnering activities.
- 4. Taking the partnering message home to employees.
- Making working together pleasant and professional.
- 6. Fostering mutual education and beneficial communication by having Consultant staff work with KDOT staff, and vice versa.
- 7. Providing more opportunities to share professional and technical knowledge.
- 8. Establishing and maintaining good communication.
- 9. Supporting each other in maintaining transportation program objectives.
- 10. Maintaining a positive problem-solving attitude.

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- 11. Holding quarterly meetings with the Liaison Committee and annual meetings with Consultants and the KDOT.
- 12. Using a standing committee, chaired by the KDOT Bureau Chief of Local Projects, to review and recommend revisions to the Partnering Agreement and Strategic Plan on an as-needed basis.

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