



JOHN ELIAS BALDACCI
GOVERNOR

STATE OF MAINE
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
16 STATE HOUSE STATION
AUGUSTA, MAINE
04333-0016

July 27, 2009
Subject: **South Thomaston**
Federal Project No: BR-1674(500)S
State Pin No: 016745.00
Amendment No. 6

DAVID A. COLE
COMMISSIONER

Dear Sir/Ms:

The following question has been received:

Question: If the Contractor chooses to use riprap to build the detour approaches, is that rock considered in water work and thereby limited to start no earlier than 11/8 even if it is installed "in the dry"? If it is, the contract does not allow enough time to construct the detour, construct the new bridge and remove the detour. Why can't the contract time be extended to allow removal of the temporary detour in the 2010/2011 in water work window?

Response: The installation and removal of the rip rap is not considered "in water work" if performed at low tide when the rock or substrate is "in the dry". Also make note of the driving and removing of 24 inch diameter piles or less is not considered "in water work", therefore installing and removal of the temporary bridge should not be cause to extend the completion date o the project.

Consider this information prior to submitting your bid on July 29, 2009.

Sincerely,

For
—

Scott Bickford
Contracts & Specifications Engineer



PRINTED ON RECYCLED PAPER