

Wisconsin Transportation Update

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Golden Shovel Awards

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Bio in Brief

- **Executive Director - Transportation Development Association of Wisconsin**
- **Legislative Director – Wisconsin Counties Association**
- **25 years experience working with counties, businesses, communities, elected officials**
- **Native of Racine, UW-Madison graduate**
- **Wife Michelle. Two teenage children**

Key Goals

- Continue to support public safety, mobility and economic growth through strong partnerships/open dialogue
- Improve Estimated Time of Arrival for traveling public and businesses
- Emphasize WisDOT's ETA – Efficiency, Transparency and Accountability

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- Emphasis on strong partnerships, communication with stakeholders
- Deliver projects with the proper scope at the proper time
- Shared, not shifted responsibilities
- Develop a sustainable funding solution

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FY18 Recap

\$1.38 billion in contract costs

- LET 385 projects
- Improved 512 miles and 420 bridges
- Everyone here today plays a role



152 DBEs contracted in 2018

- DBEs working on....
 - I-94 North-South: 104
 - Zoo Interchange: 101
 - I-39/90: 15
 - US 441: 10
 - Verona Road: 9
 - **Note some DBEs work on more than one project*



Safer Work Zones

- Nearly 2,800 crashes annually
- National campaign (2019) – *“Drive Like You Work Here”*
- Continued emphasis on technology and communication



In Conclusion

- WisDOT DBEs are part of a long, valued partnership that benefits travelers and taxpayers
- Thanks for all you do

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