
(a) Design-Build Contracts Authorized. – Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Board of Transportation may award contracts each fiscal year for construction of transportation projects on a design-build basis.

(b) Design-Build Contract Amounts; Basis of Award. – The Department may award contracts for the construction of transportation projects on a design-build basis of any amount. The Department shall endeavor to ensure design-build projects are awarded on a basis to maximize participation, competition, and cost benefit. On any project for which the Department proposes to use the design-build contracting method, the Department shall attempt to structure and size the contracts for the project in order that contracting firms and engineering firms based in North Carolina have a fair and equal opportunity to compete for the contracts.

(c) Disadvantaged Business Participation Goals. – The provisions of G.S. 136-28.4 and 49 C.F.R. Part 26 shall apply to the award of contracts under this section.

(d) Repealed by Session Laws 2013-360, s. 34.2(c), effective July 1, 2013.

(e) Reporting Requirements. – The Department, for any proposed design-build project projected to have a construction cost in excess of fifty million dollars ($50,000,000), shall present to the Joint Legislative Transportation Oversight Committee information on the scope and nature of the project and the reasons the development of the project on a design-build basis will best serve the public interest. (2001-424, s. 27.2(a); 2002-151, s. 2; 2007-357, s. 1; 2011-145, s. 28.4; 2013-360, s. 34.2(c).)