**Off-System “Big 4” Projects**

The terms “Department” and “Engineer” are used within the LAP Specifications (“Big 4”) and refer to the FDOT and FDOT terminology. Below are the definitions. Each LAP Agency must define these terms based on its way of administering contract and include these definitions in the specifications for each project.

***Department:*** *State of Florida Department of Transportation*

***Engineer:*** *The Director, Office of Construction, acting directly or through duly authorized representatives; such representatives acting within the scope of the duties and authority assigned to them.*

 *Note: In order to avoid cumbersome and confusing repetition of expressions in these Specifications, it is provided that whenever anything is, or is to be done, if, as, or, when, or where “acceptable, accepted, approval, approved, authorized, condemned, considered necessary, contemplated, deemed necessary, designated, determined, directed, disapproved, established, given, indicated, insufficient, ordered, permitted, rejected, required, reserved, satisfactory, specified, sufficient, suitable, suspended, unacceptable, or unsatisfactory,” it shall be understood as if the expression were followed by the words “by the Engineer,” “to the Engineer,” or “of the Engineer.”*