Security

RACF / Mainframe User ID: Security access granted by FDOT for those working on FDOT projects, including consultant designers, CEI staff, and FDOT employees.

Role: The rights/privileges assigned to an individual, based on the work needed to be completed by that individual. (Most consultant designers have the "Designer" role within Webgate.)

Control Group: Project level security to control which users have rights to view and/or modify specific projects. Generally, designers employed with the same consulting firm will be assigned to the same control group.

FDOT POLICY: Users MUST NEVER share User IDs or passwords.

FOR HELP…

If you are NOT able to login to the Webgate system, contact your FDOT Project manager for help with your RACF/mainframe password and/or ID. This includes adding/deleting new, existing, and past employee access by consultant firms.

If you are able to login to Webgate and/or the Designer Interface, but can't access to your project, contact your FDOT Project Manager and/or District Estimates Office. The District Estimator maintains the TRNS*PORT Role and Control Group.

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Estimates Terminology and Security Information

Helpful Hints

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Estimates Terminology (in alphabetical order)

Authorization Estimate: Estimate prepared by the District Estimator for review and authorization by the Federal Aid Office.

BOE (Basis of Estimates Manual): The BOE is NOT a contract document. This manual is used by designers to help select the correct pay item for specific item(s) of work. Pay Item details may include guidance for selecting the appropriate item and/or estimating design quantities.

Category: Item groupings within TRNS*PORT, similar to design groups for plans. Pay Item categories include: Structures, Roadway, Signing, Lighting, Signals, ITS, Landscaping, Utilities, Architectural, and Mass Transit. Lighting items (loaded into the lighting category) should only be used on Lighting plans, signals items for signals plans, etc.

CEI (Construction Engineering Inspectors): Consultant Construction Engineers acting on behalf of the Department.

CES (Cost Estimating System): A module within the TRNS*PORT suite of programs, used by the FDOT Estimators to price items, based on quantity, historical bids, and other project conditions.

Designer Interface: An FDOT developed web application to allow FDOT and Consultant Designers to input item, quantity, and category information into the PES system.

Final Estimate(s): Estimate(s) to be paid during the Construction phases of a contract.

While every attempt is made to use Plain Language, some technical terminology is necessary to clarify our work.

FM (Financial Management) System: FDOT system to track project financial information. Project header information is maintained in this system, and refreshed nightly to the TRNS*PORT modules.

Item Year: The year the Master Pay Item List was created. For '07 and later, does NOT need to match the Specification book year.

LAS (Letting and Award System): A module within the TRNS*PORT suite of programs, used by the FDOT Contracts Administration Office(s) to send and receive bid proposals.

LRE (Long Range Estimates): A web application/program used to estimate projects in the conceptual phases, before any plans are available. Levels include project, version, sequence, and component.

Master Pay Item List: A list of items currently open in TRNS*PORT. *This should not be used as a "shopping list".* Use the BOE when considering pay items, to ensure that the correct numbers/variables are selected.

Official Estimate: Estimate prepared by the District Estimates Office for letting purposes. This estimate is confidential, by Florida Statute.

PD&E (Project Development and Environmental) Phase: The earliest phase of project development, before any plans are developed. PD&E Estimates are developed using the LRE system.

PES (Proposal Estimating System): A module within the TRNS*PORT suite of programs, which stores pay item and quantity information. Designers send information (pay items, quantities, and other header data) to the PES system through the Designer Interface.

Site Manager: A module within the TRNS*PORT suite of programs, used during the Construction phases of the project.

Specs: FDOT Specifications, including the Standard Specifications Book, Supplemental Specifications, Special Provisions, Technical Special Provisions, and/or Developmental Specifications. The specs include information to the contractor, as needed to construct and pay for the various items of work. **Complete spec information includes: description, materials, construction, measurement and payment.**

Tech Specs (Technical Special Provisions): Project specific specs created by the Designer.

TRNS*PORT: A suite of programs used to track construction & maintenance cost and management information. Modules include PES, CES, LAS, and SiteManager. The suite is used by many states and owned by AASHTO (American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials).

Webgate: An FDOT webpage providing access to LRE, Designer Interface, TRNS*PORT Reports, and other applications. RACF User ID is required.

Additional "Helpful Hints" handouts are available for

- *Long Range Estimates*
- *Basis of Estimates*
- *Webgate*
- *Designer Interface*

Visit the training pages at
www.dot.state.fl.us/estimates