

## PEPS Contract Utility Investigation tasks moving from FC163 to FC130 Frequently Asked Questions

### 1. Why is this change occurring?

The change will allow for Right of Way Division to directly fund Utility Engineering Investigation along with Utility Coordination and Accommodation. This will allow Districts/Divisions to perform more Utility Engineering Investigation without the concern of budget constraints.

### 2. What coordination was done to implement this initiative?

This initiative originated with the Right-of-Way (ROW) Division and it was coordinated between ROW, PEPS, Finance Division, and the Contract Services Division. Internal coordination included the PEPS Service Center staff and Invoice Center staff.

### 3. What documents will be changing?

PEPS Engineering Contract Attachment C - Services to be Provided by the Engineer, will be changing for six different contract scopes including:

- Plans, Specifications & Estimates including Utility Engineering and SUE
- Plans, Specifications & Estimates including Utility Engineering, SUE, and Environmental
- Utility Engineering and Coordination
- Construction Engineering Inspection (CEI)
- Bridge On-Off System
- Schematic and Environmental

### 4. What will the Prime Providers need to revise on future submittals?

Invoices and progress reports will need to reflect that Utility Engineering Investigation is now under Function Code 130 (130)

### 5. Do current invoices need to be corrected in order to reflect this change?

No, current invoices that have been submitted as of January 1, 2022 should be processed as is. Invoices submitted after this date will need to reflect that Utility Engineering Investigation is now under Function Code 130 (130)

### 6. Will this require Supplemental Agreements?

No, Supplemental Agreements will not be processed. The function code is for administrative purposes related to how TxDOT budgeting or accounting classifies the project costs, therefore changing the function code does not change the nature of the work and Supplemental Agreements are not required.

### 7. Who will need to inform the Prime Providers of this change?

PEPS Service Centers and TxDOT Project Managers will inform Providers for future invoices and progress reports.

### 8. When will scopes for new contracts reflect this change? New scopes will be available by the end of January 2022 and be ready for any future contracts.