



Memorandum

U.S. Department
of Transportation

**Federal Highway
Administration**

Subject: **ACTION:** Lump Sum Bidding
under Special Experimental Project No. 14 (SEP-14)

Date: March 3, 2016

From: /s/ Thomas D. Everett
Director, Office of Program Administration

Reply to
Attn. of: HIPA-30

To: John M. Cater
Division Administrator
Lakewood, CO

This is in reference to Donna Harmelink's March 1, 2016, email that transmitted the City of Trinidad's SEP-14 workplan for the use of lump sum contracting for a project to remodel the Trinidad Welcome Center and bring it into compliance with accessibility guidelines through the installation of automatic doors, a handicap compliant access ramp, and accessible restroom facilities.

The City's workplan indicates that lump sum bidding will: allow the contractor to assume all risks associated with accurate contract quantities and allow for a more accurate total construction cost. For this relatively small construction project, lump sum pricing will reduce the cost of construction management in performing field measurements and preparing pay documents.

The City of Trinidad's proposed plan for a final evaluation report is satisfactory. You may consider this project approved for evaluation under SEP-14. Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment on this SEP-14 request. Should you have any questions, please contact Gerald Yakowenko at (202) 366-1562.