

DRAFT – ACEC/MI-MDOT Pre-Workshop Meeting Agenda

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Date/Time: Wednesday, February 4, 2026 | 3:30 PM – 5:30 PM

Location: Lansing Center, Lansing, MI

1. Welcome and Opening Remarks – 10 minutes

- Overview of meeting objectives
- Introduction of Paul McDonald, CAO, MDOT

2. MDOT-ACEC Partnering Charter Update – 10 minutes

Presenter: Ron Brenke & Brad Wieferich

3. MDOT/ACEC Team Reports – 5 minutes per team

- Contracts: Patrick / Jayson
- Projects: Dee / Tony
- Training & Workforce Development: Kristin / Tyler

4. Transportation Funding – 30 minutes

Presenter: Gregg Brunner

- Current funding landscape
- Projections and priorities for FY 2026–FY 2030
- Impact on MDOT programs and projects
- Reauthorization update
- Questions

5. Perceptions and Implications of Road Use Charges – 15 minutes

Presenters: Jean Ruestman

6. Break – 10 minutes

7. DBE/SBE Discussion – 15 minutes

Presenter: Nick Sundberg

- DBE policy considerations
- Action steps for compliance and support
- Small Business Program

8. Local Agency Bridge Inspections – 15 minutes

Presenter: Beckie Curtis

9. Transportation Employer-Led Collaborative Workforce Survey – 10 minutes

Presenters: Lauren Roller (ACEC/Michigan), Barb Arens (ACEC/Michigan), Amy

Kraatz (LEO), and James Fults (MDOT)

- Purpose and objectives of the statewide workforce survey
- Target audience and distribution strategy
- Timeline for deployment and integration into workforce planning

10. Closing Remarks – 10 minutes

- Summary of key takeaways
- Future topics, goals, next steps, and follow-up actions
- Acknowledgment of participants