Geotechnical Engineering Division

Athar Khan, P.E., Director

February 24, 2020

Mission Statement

"The primary mission of the Geotechnical Engineering Division is to deliver our customers the most accurate and cost-effective Geotechnical recommendations for the design of Hoosier highways and bridges, in a timely manner."

INDOT Organizational Chart



Geotechnical Division Organizational Chart



Geotechnical Engineering Division

Responsible for Providing the following:

- Geotechnical Field Drilling & Testing
- Geotechnical Field Instrumentation & Monitoring
- Pavement Coring
- Geotechnical Laboratory Testing
- Geotechnical Engineering Services
- Geotechnical Construction & Technical Support
- Retaining Structures Assessment & Collecting Inventory
- Landslides Assessment & Monitoring Services
- Implement JTRP & Other Innovations

Geotechnical Engineering Division

Primarily provides the foundation design recommendations for the following INDOT Features:

- Roadways
- Bridge Structures
- Pavements
- Retaining Structures
- Traffic Sign, Wire Rope Barrier & Communication Towers
- Drainage Structures
- Landslide Corrections

Our Customers/Partners

- Division of Planning
- Division of Bridge Engineering
- Division of Highway Engineering
- Pavement Engineering
- Traffic Design
- District Design
- District Maintenance
- District Construction
- Toll Road
- Other State agencies such as DNR, IDEM, State Police, etc....
- Local Agencies

Geotechnical Engineering Tracking System

1400234 - Maintenance									
Project Header									
es / Alt #: 1400234 Contract: R-36689 oject Manager: <u>McMullen, Kenneth</u> County: White			Desi Distr	Designed By: Crawfordsville District District: Crawfordsville			Status: Active RFC Date: 01/03/2018		
ad: I 65 Work Type: Small Structure Replacement			Fron	From To: 193+040 193+040			How many days until you reach 60%: 0		
ocation: 0.01 mi N of US 231			Letti	Letting Fiscal Year: 2018			etting Date: 03/14/2018		
eotechnical Subsurface Status:	Soil Investigation Status:			Pavement Design Finish Date:			esign Finish Status: esign Analyses Complete		
Geotechnical - 1400234	Documents							(EDI	1]
 Documents (2) Geotechnical Engineering Report (J 		Filter: AND V							
 Purchase Order Activities (4) 	Document Type	Initiation Date	Completion Date	Project Engineer	Consultant	Design Consultant	Contractor	Status	+
 Field Work (1) Laboratory Work (9) Construction Support (A) 	Geotechnical Engineering Report	06/15/2017	10/05/2017	Belew, Youlanda	INDOT Geotechnical Engineering	Michael Baker International, Inc.		Active	60° 🥖 🔳
Construction Support (A)	Showing 1-1 of 1	Showing 1-1 of 1					ltems Per Page 10 💙 Prev 1 💙 Nex		
 Construction Support (A) 									

Workload

- Historically: 350 to 400 projects per year
- Recently: 1000 to 1250 projects per year
- Division's In-House Capability: 100 to 150 projects per year
- Geotechnical Consultants are used for most state and LPA projects

Historical Annual Production 1994-2020

Historical Annual Production 1994 - 2020



Projects Management

- Since In-House capability is not enough, we depend on consultants for about 90% of geotechnical work
- Type of geotechnical contracts:

Unit price-based/hourly rate contracts

• Open end Contracts (OEA)

Currently 13 active contracts (12 + 1)

Geotech consultant works as a sub to a design consultant

Future Workload

- INDOT Construction budget for FY 2021 \$1,861,000,000.00
- INDOT Construction Budget for FY 2022 \$1,865,000,000.00
- INDOT Construction Budget for FY 2023 \$1,604,000,000.00
- INDOT Construction Budget for FY 2024 \$1,730,000,000.00
- INDOT Construction Budget for FY 2025 \$1,278,000,000.00

Duration for Geotechnical Investigation

• Total time needed:

120 calendar days

• Field work: 50 calendar days (which includes POs, coordination with property owners, utilities, field checks,

marking borings, scope approval, and actual drilling)

 Laboratory Testing: 20 calendar days
 Engineering 50 calendar days (which includes INDOT review time)

Construction Support

- Compaction Control using DCP & LWD
- Mix Design for Chemical Modification
- MSE Wall Design Review
- Review & Approve Pile Driving System
- Perform Pile Load Tests
- Drilled Shaft Construction Inspection
- Instrumentation

Technical Support

- Develop New guidelines
- Develop New Specification
- Develop Unique Special Provisions (USP)
- Develop Indiana Test Method (ITM)
- Revise Geotechnical manual
- Revise Contract Documents (Appendix "A" & "D")
- Revise Frequency Manual
- Review & Approve New Consultants & Laboratories
- Review & Approve New Materials & Systems

Utilization of Recycled Material

- Coal Ash
- Foundry Sand
- Tire Shreds
- Crushed Glass
- Lime Kiln Dust
- Steel Slag

Innovation

- Geofoam-Expanded Polystyrene (EPS)
- Open Ended Large Diameter Pile
- Utilization of LWD
- Utilization of DCP
- Microwave Moisture
- QC/QA for Embankment & Subgrade
- Soil Stabilization Using Cement
- Geophysical Application
- Use of Geosynthetics
- Intelligent Compaction

Future Plan for Next 24 months

- 1. Complete Statewide Retrofit of Problem MSE Walls
- 2. Complete Landslide Inventory Statewide
- 3. Develop Geotechnical Asset Management Plan
- 4. Explore QC/QA application on other geotech work
- 5. Update our existing manuals and guidelines to reflect the latest changes
- 6. To prepare training materials for Geotechnical personnel
- 7. To continue the development of GIS based Geotechnical Data base.

