



## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** All Prequalified Contractors

**FROM:** Royce Meredith, P.E.

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The Bridging Kentucky Program Team held a series of industry forums last year to inform the Cabinet's industry partners and gather feedback. Based on feedback from those forums, the Cabinet adopted an extended advertisement period for bundled bridge projects of 35 days – two weeks longer than the traditional advertising period.

As the Bridging Kentucky program has advanced from last fall's conversations, the Cabinet is using a varied approach to bundling projects to promote competition and allow for flexibility in delivery by the Program Team. This approach includes a mix of small (five or less) and large (six or more) bridge bundles. Bundles in the program will vary from as few as 2-3 projects to twenty or more in future months to support efficient delivery of the program. When KYTC adopted the 35-day advertising period for bundles, it did not anticipate the use of smaller, less complex project bundles, so it is appropriate to revise the policy in accordance with this evolution of the program.

**Effective for May lettings, the extended 35-day advertisement period will be utilized ONLY for bundles of six (6) or more bridges.** Bundles of five (5) or fewer projects as well as individual projects will be advertised following KYTC's typical 21-day advertisement period. This approach acknowledges the use of some smaller project bundles while considering contract value, project development requirements, contractor bid development, and efficient delivery of the program.

As always, communication with our bridge industry partners will be shared through the Cabinet's Construction Procurement website, while additional information on the program and the opportunity to provide questions, comments, or feedback is available through the program's website, [BridgingKentucky.com](http://BridgingKentucky.com).