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Three Design-Build Team finalists selected for project to construct I-65 bridges, interchanges in downtown Louisville

KYTC evaluators interview teams, weigh past performances

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (**April 23, 2012**) – Three teams of bridge- and road-building professionals have been selected by the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC) as finalists for a contract to build a new Interstate 65 bridge over the Ohio River in downtown Louisville and rebuild the interstate connections in both Kentucky and Southern Indiana.

A team of evaluators from the Transportation Cabinet scored each of five contending Design-Build Teams (DBTs) after two weeks of interviews and reviews of previous projects undertaken by the teams or their personnel.

The finalist DBTs announced today are:

- Ohio River Transportation Constructors, a joint venture of Kiewit Infrastructure Co., Traylor Brothers Inc., Kokosing Construction Co. Inc., and Massman Construction Co.
- Skanska, Flatiron, Dragados USA
- Walsh Construction Company

Selection criteria included proven experience, innovative ideas, inclusion of minorities and women in the workforce and ability to deliver the best value on schedule.

The teams will spend the summer developing specific proposals that will include innovative concepts, technical designs and cost details.

The schedule calls for the winning team to be selected in October, allowing preliminary construction work to begin before year's end. The massive construction project – which includes a new downtown I-65 bridge, overhauling the existing Kennedy Bridge, rebuilding the downtown Louisville interchange and new interstate connections in southern Indiana – is scheduled for completion on or before June 2018.

"Now that we have the necessary authorization, the Transportation Cabinet and the design-build teams are ready to move forward with the procurement process," KYTC Secretary Mike Hancock said.