From: Mike Weaver [mailto:mike@primestrategies.net]

**Sent:** Thursday, July 09, 2009 11:04 AM **To:** Jonathan Harris; Patrick Strittmatter

Cc: Krista Zaleski; Marie Walters

**Subject:** Permanent Traffic Counters Bid Reject

Good Morning Jonathan & Patrick,

Please use the information provided below as back-up for your agenda item to reject the bids for the Permanent Traffic Counters.

Thank you, Mike Weaver

From: Krista Zaleski [mailto:kzaleski@HNTB.com]

**Sent:** Thursday, July 09, 2009 10:44 AM

**To:** Mike Weaver **Cc:** Marie Walters

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The Road Bond team recommends the rejection of the Permanent Traffic Counter Bids (Wilco Bid No. 08WC618). The low bid (Paradigm) included numerous variances to the specifications which the Engineer did not find to be acceptable. The only other bid received (Austin Traffic Signal) was 26% over the Engineer's estimated cost. In addition to this resulting in a non-competitive bid, it was determined that for the IH 35 @ SH 29 Turnaround project, for which these counters were intended to be immediately installed, the counters were not a cost effective method. The County opted, and TxDOT agreed, to use average daily traffic counts obtained by another method.

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