



Memorandum

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**SUBJECT:** Statewide Blanket Proprietary Item Request for *Primavera Project Enterprise Version, P6 6.0 or later version*, scheduling software.

This memo is to request a blanket proprietary item approval allowing, "*Primavera Project Enterprise Version, P6 6.0 or later version*" schedule software to be required as part of the General Special Provision (GSP) **Type C Progress Schedule**. This request is for the period from July 1, 2011 thru June 30, 2013 and replaces the existing proprietary item approval for Primavera, dated May 29, 2009.

It is essential that we make the most efficient use of the workforce. We have investigated project management, control and reporting best practices in use worldwide that can help us better manage our project time, costs and risks. This statewide effort performed by the Statewide Project Management Group (SPMG) has recommended the use of a suite of tools that support project management activities such as cost and document management, workflow and schedule development. Based on the requirements of the agency and the decision to implement these industry best practices, the SPMG produced an RFP to select a suite of tools and Primavera was determined to be the best value.

Our request is to specify this scheduling product for use only in our more complex construction projects to create consistency within the department and the contracting community. This consistency will reduce costs in the long run associated with training staff and increased production thus saving money and being in the public's best interest.

We will soon start our 11-13 biennium, and we would like to continue the use of this updated version of Primavera as the scheduling software tool. This requirement will be utilized only on construction contracts that are complex with numerous tasks, activities and/or extend over multiple construction seasons. The construction projects that would qualify for this requirement are relatively few in number compared to the overall number of WSDOT contracts. Approval for use by HQ Construction Office will be required to include this requirement in the contract.

cc: Anthony Sarhan