



# MEDIA ADVISORY

**Date:** Wednesday, June 8, 2011  
**District:** District 6 – Fresno  
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## CALTRANS TO HOST MANDATORY PRE-BID MEETING FOR LOCAL CONTRACTORS

**Fresno** - The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) will be holding a Mandatory Pre-Bid Meeting on Wednesday, June 22, 2011 beginning at 9:00 a.m. at Manchester Center, located at 3302 N. Blackstone, Suite #135, Fresno, CA (entrance is located on the west side facing Blackstone)

This event is part of a program that has been implemented by the Department of Transportation that mandates Prime Contractors attend a mandatory pre-bid meeting for State Highway projects. The purpose of this meeting is to give Small Businesses and Disadvantaged Businesses an opportunity to introduce their company to Prime Contractors and to discuss how they can do business together on Caltrans projects in order to increase Small Business and Disadvantaged Business participation on construction contracts.

This project, 06-0C1104, which is currently out for advertisement, consists of designing and constructing a braided ramp system on Route 180 between Route 41 and 168 in the City of Fresno. Project 06-0C1104, will include 5.5 miles of multi-lane connector ramps, two new overcrossing structures, widening one existing overcrossing structure, retaining and sound walls, removing and installing overhead sign structures, installing ramp metering systems, and maintaining existing landscape. Contract term is estimated to be 24 months with an estimated contract amount of \$46,000,000 to \$55,000,000. This is a Federal-Aid contract.

Additional information regarding this project and other Design-Build projects can be found at: <http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/oppd/designbuild/fresno-rfp.htm>

This is a no-cost event to all participants. Businesses wishing to attend this meeting or that need further event information, please contact the Caltrans Small Business Office at the numbers provided above.

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