Purpose
As part of the WSDOT/AGC commitment to expand the use of Partnering on WSDOT projects, a Partnering Steering Committee was established to provide leadership and advance Partnering principles. The Steering Committee has created a survey to evaluate the effectiveness of the Partnering program and to guide decision making to improve the Partnering process. The purpose of this bulletin is to notify and request that all WSDOT Construction staff as well as Contractors and their staff that participated in a Partnering workshop in 2017 or 2018 complete a short survey. The survey can be found at: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/QKBR7HW.

Background
Subsequent to the 1-day partnering training that was conducted in the spring of 2017, Regions were encouraged to have each Construction Project Engineering office conduct at least one Partnering workshop. In addition, a new GSP for Project Partnering was put into practice in April 2018. The instructions for the GSP require the Partnering Specification be used on all projects over $5M or projects over 200 working days. As a result, many of our projects have recently conducted a Project Partnering workshop either formally (with the use of a third party facilitator) or informally.

Resources
The Partnering Field Guide is located on the Construction Office website and is available as a resource to the Project Engineer in planning and conducting a Project specific Partnering session. http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/NR/rdonlyres/DAF7E8D2-1427-49C3-B5BE-227F9F60AF77/0/PartneringFieldGuide.pdf

Implementation Plan
Project Engineers that have participated in a Project Specific workshop are requested to complete the survey and request their staff that participated in the partnering workshop complete the survey. The Project Engineer should also send the survey to the Contractor’s Project Manager and request themselves and their staff that participated in the Partnering workshop complete the survey. The survey will only take about 5 minutes and we would like all surveys completed by October 26th. Results from the survey will be shared at the Statewide Project Engineers meeting held in early November.

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