



## **CDOT 2019 MENTOR-PROTÉGÉ MEET & GREET EVENTS GROW YOUR ESB CERTIFIED BUSINESS!**

CDOT Mentor-Protégé teams self-select for this program, so the Meet & Greet events could be an excellent way to connect. Please note, attendance at the event(s) is not mandatory in order to form a team and apply.

### **Meet & Greets - You are welcome to attend both!**

- Monday, September 24, 1:30pm-2:45pm, CDOT HQ Auditorium
- Thursday, October 11, 7:30am-8:45am, CDOT HQ Auditorium

### **Mentor-Protégé Program Overview and Qualifications:**

The CDOT ESB Mentor-Protégé Program provides opportunities for ESBs to hone their business skills by working closely with established firms in highway construction or professional services. The program helps CDOT (and the transportation industry in general) build a more effective and diverse consultant/ contractor base.

#### **Mentor Qualifications:**

- Mentor is Prequalified by CDOT
- Mentor has completed a minimum of 3 CDOT projects as a prime or sub, **OR** performed a minimum of \$3 million of work with CDOT
- Mentor has skills and capacity to assist the protégé
- Mentor is committed to assisting small and diverse firms in the transportation sector

#### **Protégé Qualifications:**

- Protégé has been in business for at least 2 consecutive years
- Protégé has a minimum of 2 full-time employees (including owner)
- Protégé has performed on transportation-related construction or professional services contracts
- Protégé is pursuing transportation-related contracts

The ideal Mentor Protégé teams are those who can pursue a project together.

**Team Applications are due November 21, 2018**

**Team Selections take place December 10, 2018**

**Team kickoff is January 17, 2019, at a lunch with CDOT Commissioners**

For more information and a copy of the application:

<https://www.codot.gov/business/civilrights/smallbusiness/support/esb/mentor-protege>

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