Program Overview

The Missouri Department of Transportation has developed the Mentor Protégé Recognition Program (MPRP) to acknowledge the informal relationships that DBE firms and prime consultant and/or prime contractors have established. This program is a preliminary/introductory program to the MoDOT DBE Mentor Protégé Program and does not require full participation in the Formal MoDOT DBE Mentor Protégé Program. However, after participation in this program, it is strongly encouraged that the firms consider applying for the Mentor Protégé Program.

Basic Participation Requirements
Requirements to participate are that both the DBE firm and prime consultant/contractor submit a letter jointly that summarizes some of the guidance and advice that the firms are currently doing together and successes and accomplishments. This may include business coaching, counseling, networking as well as recognition of other Mentor Protégé programs that firms may be currently participating in together.

Requirements for the DBE Firm
The DBE Firms must be DBE certified by the Missouri Regional Certification Committee.

Benefits to Participating in the MPRP
Participating firms will receive recognition at MoDOT functions and will be recognized on MoDOT’s External Civil Rights website and ECR’s quarterly newsletter.

Transition from The MPRP Program to the MoDOT DBE Mentor Protégé Program
Once firms complete the MPRP program, they have an option to participate in the regular Mentor Program to continue for a longer duration. There are also additional incentives once firms complete the MPRP and apply to the MoDOT DBE Mentor Protégé Program.

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