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Michael Flowers  
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Dear Michael Flowers,

**Temporary Cover over OBG Trial Assembly Area**

As a follow up to several conversations with Thomas Nilsson about schedule risks associated with OBG fabrication outdoors, including but not limited to the east end lifts 12, 13, and 14, the Department is interested in developing a strategy to ensure that every opportunity is taken to mitigate future delays during the fabrication process, and possibly to accelerate controlling items of work.

For example, the Department's representatives have discussed constructing a temporary cover over the OBG Trial Assembly Area. The purpose of the cover would be to provide weather protection for Lifts 13 and 14 trial assembly, survey, painting, and segment assembly of all lifts and cross beams. While the Contractor is responsible for maintaining an average bridge temperature as shown on the plans during fabrication, as well as for providing suitable enclosures for painting, the Department is prepared to participate in the costs of constructing an appropriate cover system as a way to mitigate risks associated with schedule.

Please develop a design and cost proposal for this cover, or other effective mitigating efforts available. The Department is prepared to financially support opportunities that will lead to early delivery of bridge components. Please contact Peter Siegenthaler or Jason Tom to discuss strategies and opportunities.

Sincerely,

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Resident Engineer

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Pete Siegenthaler  
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