



## List of Acronyms:

**CES** = AASHTO Trns\*port Cost Estimation System  
**CS** = Consultant  
**DPL** = Design Phase Leader  
**FFPR** = Final Field Plan Review  
**OBA** = Office of Bidding Administration  
**ES** = Office Engineering Services  
**OFM** = Office of Financial Management  
**OPC** = Office of Program Control  
**OPD** = Office of Program Delivery  
**PCEU** = Project Cost Estimate Update  
**PDF** = Portable Document Format  
**PFPR** = Preliminary Field Plan Review  
**PM** = Project Manager  
**STIP** = State Transportation Improvement Program  
**TPro** = GDOT project management system computer program

## Notes:

- See GDOT [Policy 3A-9 Cost Estimating Purpose](#) for detailed guidance relating to Cost Estimates and the Update of Programmed Costs.
- The **Initial Cost Estimate** should be prepared by the Office of Planning or other "Sources" [District Offices, MPOs, Traffic Operations, Office of Maintenance, etc.].
- An **Intermediate Cost Estimate Update** shall be prepared:
  - At each Plan Development Process (PDP) Milestone
  - Annually – Updates shall be submitted for approval no later than 30 days prior to the end of the State Fiscal Year (June 30<sup>th</sup>)
  - If there has been a 10% or more cost change or significant scope change since the last Programmed Cost Letter
- The DPL/CS will notify the PM (by e-mail) after completing entries into CES. Other offices will provide the DPL/CS with a list of pay item numbers, descriptions, quantities, and units, as applicable. The DPL/CS will also add appropriate quantities into the Liquid AC spreadsheet and e-mail the spreadsheet to the PM.
- Pricing includes the addition of unit costs and regional price factors as well as detailed costs for Lump Sum items.
- Programmed Cost Letter Estimates shall be in today's dollars and will include Construction (CES Base Estimate, Engineering & Inspection, Risk Contingency & Liquid AC), Right of Way and Utilities. OFM will add inflation factors based on programmed year and current inflation index.