

So you wanna submit a Value Engineering Change Proposal?

In the spirit of partnering, the Department will make every reasonable effort to give fair, thoughtful, and timely consideration for approval of VECPs submitted for review.

For consideration of a VECP, the Contractor must submit the seven items listed in Section 4-3.9.3 of the Standard Specifications, including but not limited to the following:

- ***A description of the difference between what has been designed by the Engineer of Record and the VECP change. A written description will be required, but a good drawing will always expedite the review process and increase chances for approval. One suggested method would be to take a plan sheet (or sheets) and highlight the features to be changed and then draw the proposed changes in red. For simple changes, a good, clear hand sketch can be enough for consideration.***
- ***A detailed cost estimate showing the pay items to be reduced and any new pay items, along with the associated reduction in quantities.***
- ***Preliminary plan drawings and itemized list of changes. Rough sketches as described above may be submitted for conditional approval of any VECP. For final documentation, simple changes may be shown on the as-built plans as field changes, at the discretion of “the Engineer.” For final approval of complex changes, such as for bridge structures, the Contractor will be required to submit signed and sealed engineering drawings. The Department is willing, however, to review the Contractor’s concept before he spends time and money on engineering calculations and drawings, and is willing to meet with the Contractor and/or the Contractor’s Engineer to discuss the ultimate approval of the change.***
- ***The last date that the contractor can receive approval and still make the change without impact to his schedule. FDOT District One will always try to get an answer within two to three weeks, however, the Specifications require that we know the “drop-dead” date.***

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