Ohio Department of Transportation Prebid Questions

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During plan development, our District Environmental Staff had inspected this site, determining that there is no suitable habitat for the Indiana bat. No tree removals within the construction limits are called for in the plans. Thus, the interim completion date is not in conflict as suggested by the contractor.

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