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**SELECTION OF AN OVERCOAT PAINT SYSTEM FOR LOUISIANA BRIDGES
LTRC NO. 15-4ST
SIO NO. DOTLT1000096**

Questions & Answers:

1. Research Approach Task 2: "It is anticipated that one span, all girders, will be painted with the recommended paint systems."
Does this mean the entire span from pier to pier is to be painted, or only a portion of the span's girders (enough to be representative for evaluation)?
Only the portion of the span needed to place the paint samples for evaluation.
2. Will DOTD forces be made available for rigging, surface preparation, and painting equipment and labor?
No; Due to the potential for schedule conflicts, the researcher needs to take the necessary steps to carry out these activities.
3. Will surface preparation be a project variable or are we limited by standard LADOTD practice?
The intent is to use the least costly surface preparation possible.
4. Is the LADOTD looking for a single generic coating system or state formulation?
Generic
5. If the LADOTD is looking at a generic coating system, is the proposer to perform testing to populate an approved products list with similar coatings provided by various manufacturers?
Yes! All equivalent/similar paint systems by different manufacturers need to be placed on the selected test sites and evaluated.