

Capital Projects Advisory Review Board
Business Equity/Diverse Business Inclusion Committee

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The survey can be viewed and explored online: <https://forms.office.com/r/xfRW2UfAhg>

Or you may review the images of each step of the survey below:
Section 1:

BE/DBI Survey Form - Draft 7

Please review all five sections.

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To: Stakeholders in Public Construction

Fr: Janice Zahn, CPARB Chair

Subject: Seeking Feedback on CPARB BE/DBI Priorities

We are reaching out to you as a stakeholder in public construction in the state of Washington. RCW 39.10 which was authorized by SB 5032 during the 2021 State Legislature asks CPARB to report back on best practices around diversity, equity and inclusion in public contracting in State of Washington.

Informed by the 2019 Washington State Disparity Study and by other disparity studies performed by public agencies in the State we have developed a few key areas for additional work.

The purpose of this letter is to ask you to complete a simple survey indicating:

- How you view your role as a stakeholder
- How you would prioritize efforts to mitigate the barriers to diverse businesses in public construction.

The actionable objective of the BE/DBI Committee is to create an environment where the use of diverse businesses is the first choice, instead of a goal to be met. Actions through that lens should then pivot around those measures needed to make the businesses successful and competitive. Components of this actionable approach would include best practices and programs that provide well rounded solutions to the barriers.

These areas are:

- Access to opportunities in public contracting
- Access to capital including firm financing, eligibility for financing, bonding
- Access to project cash flow and prompt pay issues
- Access to training and business services support
- Access to networks/ relationship opportunities

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Your feedback will guide our committee in focusing on which barriers need work.

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Sen. Claire Wilson

Relevant Links:

SB 5032: <https://app.leg.wa.gov/bills/summary?BillNumber=5032&Year=2021&Initiative=false>

Washington State Disparity Study: <https://omwbe.wa.gov/governors-subcabinet-business-diversity/disparity-study>

CPARB Website: <https://des.wa.gov/about/boards-committees/capital-projects-advisory-review-board>

BE/DBI Committee Minutes/Info/Documents: <https://des.wa.gov/about/boards-committees/capital-projects-advisory-review-board/current-cparb-committees>

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We would like to understand the barriers as they relate to the professional roles of people involved in the work of RCW 39.10. Select the answer that best reflects how you see the business or organization you represent.

1. Type of Firm *

- Diverse Business
- Designer (A/E)
- Contractor
- Subcontractor
- Other Consultant
- Public Agency

2. Diverse Business (Prime or Sub) *

- Prime
- Sub

3. Diverse Business (Certified or not certified) *

- Certified
- Not certified

4. Optionally add your name

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Enter your answer

5. Optionally add your organization

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We would like input regarding the barriers you think would be most impactful to you in your role in the industry. Please rank each barrier by importance, 1 being most important, 5 being least.

6. Rank the Barriers *

	1	2	3	4	5
Access to opportunities in public contracting	<input type="radio"/>				
Access to capital including firm financing, eligibility for financing, and bonding	<input type="radio"/>				
Access to project cash flow and prompt pay issues	<input type="radio"/>				
Access to training and business services support	<input type="radio"/>				
Access to networks/relationship opportunities	<input type="radio"/>				

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Through the diligent work of the BE/DBI Committee, many barriers have been identified and documented. In an effort to create meaningful DBE outcomes and be comprehensive in our approach we have identified the five barriers below as opportunities to support the success of DBE businesses. Your response to this survey will help inform which barrier needs the greatest emphasis and work. In your role, do you agree that there are already satisfactory access to solutions/best practices for each of the barrier statements below?

7. Do you agree or disagree with the following statements? *

	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
Access to opportunities in public contracting is satisfactory	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Access to capital including firm financing, eligibility for financing, and bonding is satisfactory	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Access to project cash flow and prompt pay issues is satisfactory	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Access to training and business services support is satisfactory	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Access to networks/relationship opportunities is satisfactory	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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If you would like to share your thoughts/best practices/successful solutions with the BE/DBI Committee please fill in the following information to be contacted.

9. Name

10. Phone

11. Email

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End of Survey