Alan,

This JSP is a reminder that adhering to CDC guidelines is a requirement of the contract. MoDOT’s specification Section 107 directs the contractor of their responsibilities. OHSA has jurisdiction in this as well under the General Duty Clause and the contractors have the responsibility to keep their workers safe.

As you know, infrastructure work is very visible to the public and it has been deemed essential work during this pandemic. Many Missourians are unable to work and we want to help make sure our collective industry is planning and executing the work as safely as possible. Not adhering to social distancing guidance can jeopardize continued work. We believe most industry partners recognize this challenging time and will proceed appropriately.

MoDOT does provide the bidding contractors risk minimizing tools such as indexing, but cannot account for all possible events, changes, or risks that may arise during a projects life. Therefore, additional contract time is the risk mitigation tool provided the contractor for these type events.

Jay