Information Item: Americans With Disabilities Act Transition Plan Update

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Background

- Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) self-evaluation conducted from June 2019 to December 2019
- Self-evaluation included all Environmental Services (ES) facilities and Robert/Jackson St. offices
- Work conducted by JQP, Inc.
- Over 600 barriers found
- Results led to an annually-updated Transition Plan
Types of Barriers
2020-21 Training

• ADA Design Standards and Universal Design (UD) training by JQP, Inc.
  • Training focused on ADA and UD applicability to ES work
  • Session A: Completed 12-10-2020
  • Session B: Scheduled for 12-17-2021
• ES staff completed accessible document training
• Accessibility Maps prepared for ES Facilities
  • Maps identify locations of accessible elements (example: parking spaces, entrances, etc.) at MCES facilities
2020-21 ADA Improvements

Seneca
• Administration building upper restrooms converted to accessible single-use
• Power-assisted doors installed in ADM building

Empire
• Power-assisted doors installed in Operations building

St. Croix Valley
• Power-assisted doors installed at main entrance
• Restroom improvements

Metro Plant
• Power-assisted door installed at guard and administration buildings
• Accessible route improvements to main entrance and breakroom
Example of Ramp Improvements
Example of Entrance Improvements
Work Plan

• 2020-2021 work funded by Office of Equal Opportunity
  • Intended to fund improvements for which there was no “host” capital project to utilize

• 2022 work funded directly by ES
  • Improvements will be included in capital projects where possible
  • Tour route improvements will coordinate with resumption of plant tours
Questions

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