

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

USE OF FOREIGN MADE UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS

In accordance with Office of Management and Budgets Memo M-26-02 and the American Security Drone Act, all contractors, subcontractors, or consultants utilizing a unmanned aircraft system (UAS) aircraft, flight controller, camera, or ground control station supplied by a manufacturer that is based in, or subject to the control of, a foreign adversary country, specifically the People's Republic of China, are directed to cease using the systems for activities associated with the contract pay items of Roadway Construction Control or Bridge Construction Control on federal aid projects.

Security risks have been found to exist on data collected by foreign manufactured drones and the federal government has issued restrictions on their use on federally funded projects. The use of foreign made drones may continue for applications not directly paid for by the Department, such as project update overflights, promotional or recruiting purposes, etc., but the Department strongly encourages that the overall use of foreign manufactured UAS be suspended in all contractor operations.

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