



MEMO

To: Dave Plyman
From: Jason Anderson
Date: 6/9/2016
Re: CIR Expansion

The ongoing need for more rail switching capacity requires that the CIR expand the interchange yards that connect the BNSF and the UP to the CIR. The 2016-17 CIR Budget includes the construction of additional track to be built on the Northern Interchange Yard. The amount that was budgeted for the project was \$750,000.

On June 7th, bids were opened and the lowest bid was submitted by Swanson Contracting of Alsip, IL for \$649,510.45 which is nearly \$100,000 below our budgeted estimate for the project. Swanson Contracting has been involved with numerous rail projects in Rochelle over the past few years and is well known for their quality work and timely completion of projects. Staff recommends accepting the bid from Swanson Contracting and reject all other bids. (See attached letter of recommendation from Noah Carmichael of Fehr & Graham)