

JAMES "VEE" LOFTON

Director of CEI



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Years Experience

30 years

Licensing & Registration

Florida Certified
General Contractor,
License No. CGC 1517567

Education/Training

Edison Community College
(1997-1998)

Itawamba Community College
(1990-1992)

FDOT Advanced Work Zone
Traffic Control Course

Troxler Nuclear Gauge Safety
Certification RSO

ACI Concrete Field-Testing
Technician- Grade I

FDOT Asphalt Paving
Technician I-II

FDOT Density Earthwork
Inspection Training

FDOT Concrete Field
Technician- Level I

ACI Concrete Transportation
Construction Inspector Level
II

CTQP: FDOT Qualified
Grouting Technician- Level I

Vee has 30 years of experience working on FDOT and County transportation projects located in District One, Four and Five, including five years with the Florida Department of Transportation Maintenance and Construction combined. He has worked on a wide variety of transportation improvement projects with varying degrees of complexity as project administrator, contract support specialist and senior lead inspector. Vee currently holds, and is continuing to seek and renew, numerous certifications in the Construction Training Qualification Program (CTQP) qualifications as required by FDOT and FHWA. Vee is director of the CEI team. His extensive experience extends through all facets of roadway and bridge construction, project administration, and inspection in both traditional design-bid-build and design-build. Vee specializes in document control for both quality assurance and quality control testing. His previous experience as a consultant program manager with the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) gives him a unique perspective of the bidding process, construction techniques utilized, as well as an understanding of the maintaining agency's needs.

Relevant Experience

- ↪ County Road 78, Hendry County – Vee served as the project administrator for the construction of approximately one and a half miles of roadway widening, box culvert extension and milling and resurfacing. This project consisted of multiple phases, all funded by FDOT through their SCOP and SCRAP programs.
- ↪ Immokalee Road Six-Lane, Collier County - This project consists of new construction of a six-lane urban roadway traversing through existing populated subdivisions. This project also has a low-level critter crossing over the Cocohatchee Canal. This connects the residence of Naples to Immokalee Road for timely ingress and egress along Immokalee Road with turn lane movements, creating a new signalized intersections at Immokalee Road and Oil Well Road, Randall at Immokalee Road and Wilson at Immokalee Road. Vee is currently serving as project administrator.
- ↪ Colonial Boulevard (CR 884) Six Lining from I-75 to SR-82 Capital Improvement Project - This project consisted of 2.62 miles of roadway widening related construction activities, roadway, lighting, signing, and one bridge 500 lineal feet over six-mile slough.
- ↪ Golden Gate Parkway Project, Naples - This project consists of three new curved steel girder bridges designated as on/off ramps, widening of the existing Golden Gate Parkway Bridge over I-75 from four lanes to six lanes plus one ramp lane, resurfacing of I-75 and Golden Gate Parkway, constructing four each access frontage roads, lowering and reworking north and south bound lanes of I-75 to meet new Federal Standards for bridge clearance and constructing onsite mitigation and drainage systems including a noise wall along south bound I-75. Vee served as assistant project administrator and lead senior bridge and roadway inspector.
- ↪ Peace River Bridge, Punta Gorda - The I-75 Peace River Bridge Design- Build Project consisted of the construction of a new bridge structure between the existing bridges, replacement of the existing concrete bridge deck and removal of the Northbound I-75 bridge to its entirety, to widen the existing roadway to a six-lane facility. The project included widening of the existing bridge structure over Riverside Drive and Gulf Seminole Railway. Vee served as project administrator for FDOT and FHWA as this project was a pilot design build project with FHWA oversight.
- ↪ FDOT Consultant Program Manager, Broadband Class Code: Level (3), Fort Myers - Vee assisted the Fort Myers Operations Center Engineering Manager by overseeing Consultant Construction Engineering and Inspection (CCEI) administration of construction contracts and by administrating CCEI contracts. He also monitored, reviewed and evaluated CCEI firms contracted by the Department to administer construction projects to ensure work was performed in accordance with contract requirements, Department policy and procedure, and/or Construction Project Administration Manual. Vee was also responsible for reviewing and making recommendations for approval of changes on project/contract records, supplemental agreements; including time and money issues, monetary claim packages, requests for time extensions, and other contract related documents prepared by the consultant to ensure completeness and conformity to Department procedures and policies. He also served FDOT as CCEI Consultant Program Manger.