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Design: Summer 2021  
Permitting: Summer 2021  
Bid Advertisement: Fall 2021  
Contract Award: Fall 2021  
Construction Start: Fall 2021  
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## Southern State Correctional Facility Door Control System Replacement

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The Southern State Correctional Facility (SSCF) is the next facility most critically in need of a door control system replacement. The system is over 15 years old and is a proprietary system requiring licensing by the contractor to be able to service the system and provide recommended upgrades. This system has had numerous failures since the facility opened and is difficult to service due to the limited number of contractors who are able to work on the system. This facility will be upgraded to the touch-screen system chosen for Northern State Correctional Facility (NSCF) in Newport which is currently under construction. Touch-screen technology is the industry-standard for correctional facilities and will allow for greater control at SSCF. The touch-screens will control doors, intercoms, in-unit functions such as lighting and fans, as well as allow for flexibility in the controls in the event of an emergency —enabling the facility to switch control of a unit to the master control or another living unit, if needed. The existing camera infrastructure will also be integrated with the new door control software, allowing the cameras to be controlled and viewed from the touchscreens. The existing perimeter intrusion detection system (PIDS) is also end-of-life. A new PIDS will be installed at SSCF that will integrate with the new touch-screen based control system, allowing officers to view disturbances at the fence line remotely.

Design of the door control system replacement started in October of 2020. The scope of work also requires fit-up of the gymnasium to house inmates while door control work is being completed in the living units. The gymnasium fit-up is a permanent renovation that will allow the facility to house inmates for future events.

Design is expected to be complete in May of 2021, with construction expected to begin as early as July and lasting about 10 months. This request is for funds to complete the construction for the door control system at SSCF, including Department of Corrections operational costs resulting from construction and Clerk-of-the-Works expenses.