



AGENDA

All times shown are in Central Standard Time (CT).

8:30 – 9:00 Registration

9:00 – 9:15 District 3 Welcome and Introductions

9:15 – 10:15 District 3 Update

- Alternative Corridor Evaluation Process (*Wendy Lasher – Atkins*)
- Section 106 Process (*Matt Bray – Atkins*)
- Upcoming Projects (*Wendy Lasher – Atkins*)

10:15 – 10:30 Break

10:30 – 11:30 Office of Environmental Management (OEM) Overview (*OEM Staff*)

11:30 – 1:00 Lunch on your own

1:00 – 1:15 Commitment Tracking (*Greg Vaughn - Atkins*)

1:15 – 2:15 Ongoing Projects

- SR 79 (*Tonya Kristoff – Lochner*)
- Quincy Loop South (*Ryan Wetherell – Kimley- Horn*)
- Quincy Loop North (*John Moore – Stantec*)
- Brooks Bridge (*Cory Wilkinson – HDR*)
- I-10 @ Antioch Road Interchange (*Greg Moore - VHB*)

2:15 – 2:45 Open Discussion Topics (*facilitated by Wendy Lasher – Atkins*)

- ETDM Process
- EST Needs
- Agency Comment/Reporting Issues

2:45 – 3:00 Closing (*Peggy Kelley – FDOT*)



MEETING SUMMARY

I. Attendees

See attached sign-in sheets.

II. Meeting Goals and Objectives

Colby Cleveland (FDOT Environmental Administrator) welcomed everyone and stated that one of the goals and objectives of the meeting were to further develop our working relationships with the Environmental Technical Advisory Team (ETAT).

(Note: All presentations shown at the meeting can be viewed and downloaded from the Environmental Screening Tool (EST) Library)

III. FDOT District 3 Update

- Wendy Lasher (Atkins) gave a presentation on the alternative corridor evaluation process.
- Mat Bray (Atkins) gave a presentation on the Section 106 process. Alyssa McManus (State Historic Preservation Officer [SHPO]) commented that Mainstreet Quincy wants to be included in Quincy projects. Consider including Main Street organizations in the public involvement. Gary Krammer (Northwest Florida Regional Planning Council [NWFRPC]) asked who are the nearest tribes in the Panhandle. It was discussed that the Miccosukee Tribe of Indians of Florida and Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians are the closest. All six tribes are contacted for FDOT projects through the Advance Notification process.

There was a question concerning the River of Grass project in Miami. Does the project move forward even though cultural resources are identified? Jason Watts (Office of Environmental Management [OEM]) explained that major resources are identified in the Project Development and Environment (PD&E) phase and the FDOT will try its best to avoid and minimize impacts.

- Wendy Lasher (Atkins) identified the following upcoming FDOT District 3 Programming Screen projects to be released in the EST for ETAT review in the upcoming months: SR 373 (Orange Avenue) from Capital Circle to S. Monroe Street; I-10 from East of the Alabama State Line to US 29; SR 390 from SR 77 to SR 75; and I-10 (SR 8) at CR 4 (Antioch Road) Interchange.
 - The ETAT requested that the District highlight changes when projects are being re-screened. It was suggested bolding the changes in the Project Description.
 - It was noted that the EST milestone report show previous versions of the project if the ETAT needs to look back at prior Preliminary Environmental Discussions (PEDs), Degree of Effects (DOEs), ETAT comments, etc.

- When a project is rescreened the Geographic Information System (GIS) analysis has also been updated.
- It was suggested for projects that are being rescreened that a new project location map be attached, but do not delete the old maps or have a side by side pdf of the changes.
- There was a question if the project keeps the same ETDM number if it is rescreened. It was confirmed that the project does keep the same number. If the number is changed, that will be noted in the Project Description.

IV. FDOT OEM Overview

- Jason Watts and Pete McGilvray (OEM) discussed OEM's role in ETDM, ETDM Manual update, and ETDM surveys.
 - A question was asked whether OEM is providing comments on projects in the EST. Pete indicated that OEM is conducting a pre-screening review and must give approval before the project is released to the ETAT for all Federally funded projects.

V. EST Updates

- Dean Rogers (OEM) discussed alternative elimination concurrence from Cooperating Agencies and EST updates, including the EST User Interface upgrade and Invoicing Module upgrade.
 - It was asked if concurrence to eliminate alternatives is needed from Participating agencies too. Dean indicated that concurrence on eliminating alternatives will just be from Cooperating agencies.
 - A question was asked as to who will provide Location Design Concept Acceptance Approval (LDCA) was asked. OEM will provide this.
 - Will the EST browser work with Mac. Yes, it will.
 - It was noted how helpful the Helpdesk is, but would more staff be needed to support this new interface. The answer was that there is a team of staff that is part of the Helpdesk beyond those at the direct Helpdesk that we speak to. The entire team will support the interface.
 - When will the new interface be complete? Dean indicated in one year, testing is currently going on.
 - Will there be training? Dean stated that there will be trainings through webinars and these will be recorded and available on-demand on the EST as well.

VI. Commitment Tracking

- Greg Vaughn (Atkins) discussed the process and procedures District 3 uses to document and track project commitments.

VII. Ongoing Projects

- Tonya Kristoff (Lochner) gave a presentation on the SR 79 PD&E Study.
 - There was discussion about the Class of Action (COA) determination and impacts to downtown.

- Ryan Wetherell (Kimley-Horn) gave a presentation on Quincy Loop South PD&E Study. There was a discussion on Level of Service (LOS) and it was noted that LOS is not the real issue. It was asked if Main Street Quincy's opinion was sought after and Ryan indicated that the project team has reached out to them.
- John Moore (Stantec) gave a presentation on Quincy Loop North PD&E Study. No questions were asked.
- Cory Wilkinson (HDR) gave a presentation on Brooks Bridge PD&E Study. No questions were asked.
- Greg Moore (VHB) gave a presentation on I-10 @ Antioch Road Interchange PD&E Study.
 - A discussion was held on project funding. It was also asked if the old study area could be included on the graphics when the District rescreens the project which Greg responded that it would. It was also asked when the Draft Interchange Justification Report (IJR) would be complete. Greg indicated that it would be complete early next year (2018) prior to PD&E approval.

VIII. Open Discussion

- Wendy Lasher (Atkins) asked what topics the ETAT would like to hear about or discuss in future meetings. Responses included:
 - Mainstreet program
 - EST update on new interface
- Alyssa McManus asked for an update on Wausau concerning the historic café. Joy Giddens (FDOT) responded that the café would be avoided. The project is going through town and is almost at 60% plans.
- There was a question about Brooks Bridge and wetlands/stormwater ponds on the southwest quadrant. Cory Wilkerson responded that there is no stormwater siting. These are just holding ponds.
- Peggy Kelley (FDOT) noted that this was a busier year than normal, but FY 19 should not be as busy.
- Gary Kramer asked about the status of the US 90/Milton project. Peggy indicated the District has met with OEM on Section 4(f) and Section 106. The Public Hearing is planned for January 11th.
- Gary also requested a copy of the upcoming Work Program. FDOT indicated that they were currently working on completing it.

Peggy thanked everyone for their attendance and participation.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 2:50 p.m. CT.