

CEMO News

District 3 ETAT Meeting October 21, 2008



Topics

- Status of Cumulative Effects Evaluation (CEE)
- Peer Exchange Regarding Environmental Impact Statements
- Roles of ETAT as Projects Move Forward
- Training Opportunities
- Performance Management Program
- Status of Agency Agreements



CEE Status

- CEE Pilot Project Completed
- White Paper Updated with Findings
- Final Comments Received
- Summary of Findings
 - Resource-based evaluations conducted by District ETAT outside of project life cycle
 - Project-specific effects updated during PD&E for EA and EIS projects, and in some cases for Type 2 CEs.



CEE Status – Next Steps

- Present New Approach to Management
 - ETDM Coordinators
 - Intermodal Systems Development Managers
 - District Directors
- Update CEE Prototype and Move to Production on EST
- Complete Handbook and Training Materials
- Update Manuals
- Provide Initial Training via Web Meeting



Peer Exchange

Goal

 Identify Strategies and Approaches for Effectively Moving Complex Environmental Documents through the EIS Process

Participants

 FHWA, Florida, Maryland, Missouri, Utah, Montana



Changing Role of ETAT

Planning

 Review projects for feasibility and compare with agency resource management plans

Programming

 Comment on project effects and scoping recommendations for environmental studies

PD&E

- Consultation for identified technical studies (as needed)
- Review Environmental Document



Training Opportunities

- PD&E Training
 - February 18-20, 2009 Orlando Urban Office
 - December 1-3, 2008 Fort Lauderdale

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- EST Training
 - See EST Calendar or Contact Help Desk



Performance Management Program

- Evaluates Progress of the ETDM Process and Participants in Meeting Goals
- Three Primary Sources of Information
 - ETAT Reviews and Summary Reports
 - Surveys
 - Project Schedules
- Tools and Reports on EST Help to Monitor and Communicate Performance Results
- Integrated with FDOT QA Process



Performance Monitoring

Periodic Reviews

- Quarterly Progress Notifications Emailed to Participants
- Semi-Annual Feedback Summarizes
 Participation and Status of Agency-specific Action Items
- Annual Reporting
 - Gather Feedback from Participants through Surveys
 - Discuss Results in Review Meetings with Districts and Agencies
 - Publish Results in Annual Reports
- Adaptive Monitoring
 - Ongoing Communication and Problem Solving



Status of Agency Agreements

- Upcoming Agreements Due For Renewal
 - FDCA 12/26/2008
 - SHPO 10/19/2008
 - USFWS 09/30/2008
 - USACOE 12/31/2008
 - FHWA 02/12/2009
 - USEPA 01/22/2009
 - USCG (Need Initial Agreement Signatures)
 - FFWCC 07/05/2009
 - NWFWMD 07/06/2009