ENGINEERING & CONSTRUCTION-POLICY & PLANNING DIRECTIVE

Assignment of Coordinated Environmental Roles

This directive outlines the roles of the Water and Natural Resources Section, Office of Environmental Planning (OEP), Bureau of Policy and Planning and the Environmental Permit Coordination (EPC) Unit, Office of Engineering, Bureau of Engineering and Construction.

The respective and coordinated roles are identified in the Environmental Permit Coordination Unit Roles, OEP-Water & Natural Resources Unit Roles, and EPC-OEP Responsibilities Chart, located on the Department’s Water & Natural Resources web page. Both units are committed to supporting design teams in the pursuit of efficient, environmentally-sensitive project development and securing timely approval (e.g., permits) for regulated activities.

OEP and EPC are essential to the goal of advancing the One CTDOT concept within the Department. Staff should look to break down barriers between those with different roles, expertise, education, and experience so that the Department can benefit from the best that every discipline offers in making projects successful. In doing so, always treat others with respect and approach problems with the intent to resolve them; let go of one-sided positions, and work toward solutions that advance the interests of every unit, division, and bureau. Help others to solve problems at the lowest level. Escalate the problems that can’t be solved at the lowest level. Seek out assistance from Department leaders to reduce conflict, not to deepen it. And lastly, always conduct business in a professional manner that supports the Mission of the Department.