



April 19, 2012

12:00 Noon to 4:00 PM

**EDC Exchange for Local and Tribal Agencies
Right-of-Way - Are There Ways to
Expedite This Delivery Phase?
And Local Discussion for MassDOT
Right of Way Initiatives**

Finding ways to expedite the delivery of transportation projects is a challenge that all transportation agencies are facing. In fact, there are a number of delivery activities that continue to be well-known obstacles in the project delivery process. For instance, navigating the Uniform Act is one activity that can affect not only the delivery of the transportation facility but frustrate project owners, designers, and impacted property owners---but it doesn't need to be that way! Understanding the flexibilities and changing "the way we always do things" can expedite your delivery. And the best part is....you would cut Federal "red tape" by trying certain activities in a new way!

For example, did you know that appraisals are not always required in order to comply with Federal regulations? Have you considered incentive payments as a cost effective way to expedite the acquisition and relocation process and ease these very personal impacts to property owners? Perhaps you have very limited staff and are looking for ways to extend the acquisition and relocation processes thru the advertisement or just simply you want to combine activities.

Attend this session to discover a few "small" procedural changes that can make a "big" difference in the delivery of a transportation facility. And by working with your State department of transportation to incorporate these small changes----you can save time and money on your next project!

Join the Federal Highway Administration, MassDOT, other municipalities, and the Baystate Roads Program (LTAP) for: lunch, a local discussion on Right of Way Initiatives, and an FHWA webinar with discussion on Flexibility in Right of Way. Delivery methods will include live presentations, webinar presentations, and several interactive webinar question and answer periods. The event will be held in the Central Massachusetts Regional Planning Commission (CMRPC) Training Room at Union Station in Worcester. There is no fee to attend this EDC Exchange session, and local municipal agencies are strongly encouraged to attend. Food will be provided. Space is limited, so please register early. Webinar location:

*CMRPC Training Room
Union Station
2 Washington Square
Worcester, MA 01604
508.756.7717*

Agenda (Subject to Change)

11:30 am	Room Opens
12:00 pm	Lunch (provided)
12:45	MassDOT Right of Way Initiatives - Lead by Pam Marquis, MassDOT ROW Community Compliance Administrator
1:45	Break
2:00	National FHWA Webinar Part I
2:25	Local Q and A / Discussion
2:45	National Q and A / Discussion
3:00	National FHWA Webinar Part II
3:25	Local Q and A / Discussion
3:40	National Q and A / Discussion
4:00 pm	Adjourn

Please visit the Baystate Roads Program website to register for this free event:

www.mass.gov/baystateroads