A SPECIAL INVITATION TO EDC-EXCHANGE TOWN HALL MEETING

Right-of-Way: Are There Ways to Expedite This Delivery Phase?

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) is sponsoring a series of web-based Town Hall Meetings for transportation officials and their consultants relating to its initiative called Every Day Counts (see: http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/everydaycounts/). Every Day Counts (EDC) promotes methods intended to shorten project delivery and to accelerate the use of proven technology.

The next Town Hall Meeting in the series will address expediting the right-of-way project delivery phase and is scheduled for Thursday, April 19, 2012 from 8:00 am – 10:00 am Hawaii Standard Time at the following locations:

**Oahu**
FHWA Hawaii Division Office  
300 Ala Moana Blvd., Honolulu

**Maui**
HDOT Maui District Office  
650 Palapala Drive, Kahului

**Kauai**
HDOT Kauai District Office  
1720 Haleukana Street, Lihue

**Big Island**
HDOT Hawaii District Office  
50 Makaala Street, Hilo

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!

To register for the Town Hall discussion in your area via a live webinar, please contact C. (“Costas”) S. Papacostas at csp@hawaii.edu (phone: 808.956.6538) by April 13, 2012.