

## **GPTQ AIR/NOISE QUALITY MEETING MINUTES**

(Wednesday October 30, 2013 from 1:30 to 3:30 pm, Large Conference Room GDOT/OES)

### **I. Introductions**

### **II. Noise Template**

#### **a. Template Sent Out for use Comments/Questions**

- i. Collect all comments/issues by end of February 2014
- ii. Compile final template in March 2014
- iii. Mandatory use of new template begins in April 2014
- iv. In the meantime, start using current draft on new projects...no need to retrofit previous documents to future template

#### **b. Attachment Examples for NEPA Summary/Land Use**

- i. Question/Answer (Q/A) format matches with direction OES is going with NEPA documents
- ii. If your NEPA document is not Q/A format, you can omit questions and still utilize template.

### **III. Air Template Questions**

#### **a. Template Has Been Updated - Comments/Questions**

- i. One template...No screening template
- ii. Provide comments to Amber Philips prior to 11/13 (two weeks)
- iii. Goal...to finalize with the update to the Environmental Procedures Manual

#### **b. Other**

- i. Issues with CalQView2 running with new Windows OS.
- ii. Instructions from Edwards Pitman on running the program in Windows XP mode coming via email.

### **IV. Looking Forward**

#### **a. Environmental Procedures Manual Update (Currently Underway, To Be Complete by November 22, 2013)**

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### **b. Next Major Milestone...Noise Policy Updates**

- i. To be completed by April 2014
- ii. Issues to be addressed include:
  1. Aesthetic options available for noise abatement walls (would rather tie to procedures rather than policy for ease in changes, as needed)...current standard materials are concrete and Precast Autoclaved Aerated Concrete (PAAC)
  2. Address awkward verbiage in public involvement narrative...currently open for some misinterpretation
  3. Address timing of abatement on undeveloped parcels that are permitted
  4. Close loop holes

### **c. Items to Discuss at Future Meeting**

- i. Construction Noise...what other states are doing in addressing this topic
- ii. LOS and Modeling
  1. Great for use on Interstate projects and projects that will be phased over several design years
  2. OES is working with Planning to develop numbers for use in this approach.
- iii. Next meeting to be held at end of March

### **d. Other Items Discussed**

- i. NHI Class for Noise Prequalification
  1. Need approximately 20-25 participants to schedule class.
  2. Give a firm yes/no and number of participants to Amber by 11/13 (two weeks)