

# 2004 WFL Contractor Conference



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From past to future



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# Agency Initiatives

## FHWA Vital Few

Safety

Congestion mitigation

**Environmental stewardship and  
streamlining**

## WFL Business Plan Goal 5:

**Protect and Enhance the Natural and  
Human Environment**

# Legal Requirements

- NEPA - National Environmental Policy Act
- Permits



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# Environment's role in construction

- Attend precon and project reviews
- Resource for Environmental Issues
- Consultation on field changes
- Permit Issues

# WFL Environment Section



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The rest of  
The team:



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# Environmental Specifications

- Are incorporated in the contract where appropriate
- Permits are a part of the contract



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# Contract Modifications and Changes

- Recognizing Potential Environmental Issues



Historic Structure?



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# Communication



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# Permits

- Rule number 1: OBEY THE LAW!
- Rules 2-10: See Rule Number 1
- Read Them! They're part of the contract
- Permits are
- not the NEPA
- document



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# Permits

- Rule Number 11: Utilize Environmental specialist through your PE
- Permit Changes by the Contractor
- Coordinate with the PE to Document well
- Good relations with permitting officers

# Permits

- Keep a copy of permits on the jobsite
- Keep SWPPP onsite and up to date
- Avoiding a Notice of Violation (NOV)
- Stay within the construction limits



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# Permits

- Dept. of Fish and Wildlife Hydraulic Permits
- Water Quality, State and NPDES Permits

# Questions for the Audience

- Contracts
- Personnel
- Other agencies

# Summary



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