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— NCDOT's Project Delivery Vision

PDN Project Transition Plan

The PDN is designed to apply to approximately 95% of the highway and structure projects developed by the Division of Highways. Generally, we expect that the following types of projects will use the PDN process:

- STIP projects that are being developed by Division of Highways
- Bridge replacement projects
- Federally funded safety projects
- Locally Administered Projects, as a best practice

However, consideration should be given to all projects as to whether the PDN process will benefit the delivery process.

To start transitioning to the PDN process, all Project Managers should begin coordinating with their project teams and technical leads to identify how and when they can fully transition their active projects to the PDN process. This should include reviewing the project budgets, schedules and consultant contracts to understand how these may be impacted. Any major impacts should be discussed with your Supervisor, Technical Services and the Division Engineers so that any necessary adjustments can be made.

For current active projects, we recommend following the crosswalk listed in the table below to help transition your project. This crosswalk is based on major milestones in the project, not activities that are completed. Therefore, you may run into a situation where the crosswalk tells you that you are in Stage 3 but you know of a few activities in Stage 2 that have not been done yet. This is okay and we recommend that teams identify these activities and incorporate them into the project schedule as deemed necessary.

Current Project Stage	PDN Stage
Have not reached Notice to Proceed (NTP)	Stage 1, Project Initiation
Have not completed the Environmental Document	Stage 2, Alignment Defined
Environmental Document is complete, but Right- of-Way plans are not complete	Stage 3, Plan-in-Hand
ROW plans are complete	N/A - continue to follow the existing process using the current project scope and schedule

The transition process is intended to be flexible and allow Project Managers and project teams to transition their projects to the PDN process in a way that makes sense for their project. We recognize that every project is unique and what works for one project may not be the same for another project. We expect that Project Managers and technical leads will work together to figure out how to best transition their project, so that the majority of our active projects that can follow the PDN have transitioned to this process by March 31, 2021.