The Geotechnical Engineering Unit provides statewide geotechnical, geoenvironmental and geophysical services with in-house staff and our consultant partners. The following is a list of services broken down by phases of a project and maintenance activities.

**Prescotping and Document Stage (Start of Study through CP3 Preferred Alternate)**

- Geoenvironmental Review of study area for prior property use “flags”, known contaminants. Prescoping report and map with table, GIS or DGN files created.
- Geotechnical Review of study area for soft/unsuitable soils, high groundwater, unstable slopes, rock slopes, dams etc., for planning.

**Prior to Right of Way Plans Complete**

- Geoenvironmental Phase I investigation after preferred alternate selected. Information is included in Hazardous Materials section of NEPA document.
- Subsurface investigations and construction recommendations for roadways, pavement subgrades, bridges, culverts, retaining walls, sound barriers, and special ditches.
- Slope recommendations and type of retaining wall determination for right of way limits

**Prior to Project Let**

- Additional subsurface investigations and construction recommendations for roadways, pavement subgrades, bridges, culverts, retaining walls sound barriers and special ditches
- Geoenvironmental Phase II investigation report, DGN file update, meet with Right of Way to discuss sites.
- Geoenvironmental Right of Way Acquisition Recommendations.
- Vibration issues: Pre-Let planning and impact assessment, building surveys, monitoring, and damage claims.
- Infiltration Basin Studies.
- Acidic Rock investigations and recommendations.
- Pond surveys
- Removal or Containment of: fuel tanks, contaminated groundwater and soils, etc.
During Construction

- Foundation Items such as Drilled Pier construction plans, Crosshole Sonic Logging (CSL) reports, Pile Driving Equipment data forms, Pile Driving Analyzer (PDA) reports, Signal and High Mount Foundation Design.
- Soft soil, undercut issues. Underdrain investigations.
- Review Blasting plans, monitor vibration from blasting and construction activities, investigate vibration damage claims.
- Review retaining wall plans and temporary shoring.
- Chemical stabilization rates determined and inspected.
- Reinforced Slopes, proposed slopes steeper than 2:1 in Piedmont/Mountains or 3:1 in Coastal Plain.
- Construction Support for unanticipated tanks, contaminated groundwater and soils.
- Settlement Monitoring. Instrumentation requirements data review and release of waiting periods.

Maintenance, Encroachments and other Activities

- Review Encroachments such as bridges, culverts, retaining walls, shoring.
- Grouting – Approach slab leveling, void filling under slope protection, roadways, around pipes and culverts and behind retaining walls.
- Remove contaminated materials or tanks found during maintenance.
- Full Depth Reclamation of pavements (investigation and recommendations).
- Ground subsidence and sink hole repair plan.
- Slope failures/movement and rock fall remediation plans.
- Retaining wall repair plan.
- Investigate pavement cracks and depressions, provide recommendations.

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