



NORTH CAROLINA
Department of Transportation

Local Projects – FHWA’s Perspective, Construction & Contract Admin, Material Certification and Close-out

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Overview of Session #3

Right of Way

The Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Act, AKA -

“The Uniform Act”

- Explanation and expectations
- Consequences of failing to follow
- When does it apply?

Right of Way

Process of acquisition

- Appraisals
- Negotiation
- Just Compensation
- Documentation

Right of Way

Appraisals

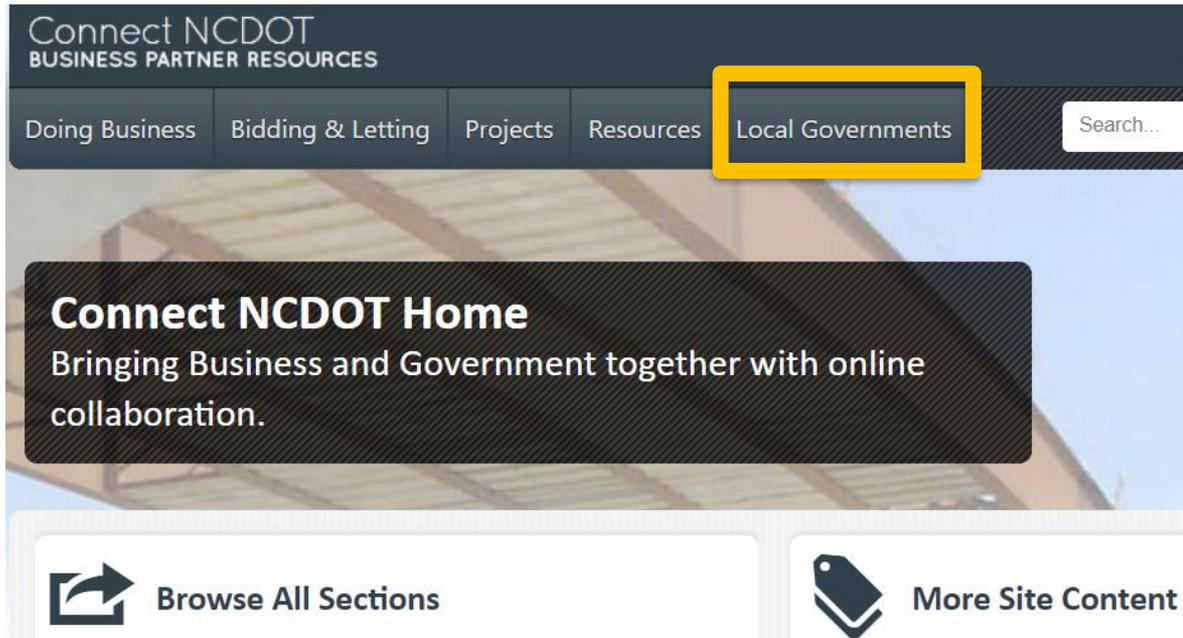
- Three Options:
 - Narrative
 - ROW Transmittal Summary
 - Waiver Valuations
- Performed by DOT approved appraiser
- Appraisals must be reviewed
- Limited Pool of Appraisers

Resources

NCDOT Connect Site –

<https://connect.ncdot.gov/municipalities/Funding/Pages/default.aspx>

Or go to connect.ncdot.gov



RESOURCES

Local Programs Management (LPM) Handbook and Updates

Understand the Requirements of NCDOT and the Federal Highway Administration for federally-funded Projects

[Read More](#) →

[Materials and Tests](#)

[Environmental resource information](#)

[Right of Way Support Information](#)



[Bicycle/Pedestrian Design Guidance](#)

[Professional Services Firms](#)

[Bid Proposals](#)

[NCDOT Construction Manual](#)

Typical Project Delivery Steps

Agreement

-----Preliminary Engineering Authorization-----

- *Procure Professional Services*

Environmental Document (required)

ROW Plans (required)

-----Right of Way Authorization-----

- *Acquire Right of Way*
- *Relocate Utilities*

Right of Way/Utility/RR Certification (required)

Final Plans, Contract Proposal and Estimate (PS&E) (required)

-----Construction Authorization-----

- *Advertise and Let Construction Contract*
- *Construct & Administer Contract*

Final Inspection (required)

- *Final Reimbursement*

Fill in the Blank

For property values estimated to be less than \$_____ and uncomplicated, an LGA can provide a claim report in lieu of an appraisal.

\$25,000

Multiple Choice

What does the US Constitution guarantee when government acquires property?

- a. Equal and Uniform Protection
- b. Just Compensation and Due Process
- c. Take your property because they can

Correct Answer: B

True or False?

If a property owner refuses to sell their property, the LGA cannot move forward with the project.

FALSE

True or False?

If an LGA is buying property, the Department needs to concur in the offer of just compensation.

TRUE

Multiple Choice

I must follow the Uniform Act when:

- a. I am being reimbursed with Federal money for the ROW Acquisition.
- b. Any Federal funds are used on a project.
- c. Never, that's only for NCDOT

Correct Answer: B

Multiple Choice

The earliest that I must follow
the Uniform Act:

- a. After a project is programmed in the STIP
- b. After I sign an agreement with NCDOT
- c. As soon as I know that Federal money may be included on a project

Correct Answer: C

Thank you!

