

# Environmental Commitments Table: Example and Common Issues

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**General Guidance:**

- The ECT below includes example language for the commitments. Please follow the examples when writing commitments.
- If you have a section that has no commitments. Ensure one row in the section indicates "None".
- If you update you ECT and determine that an item in Section A through F is no longer needed or applicable, remove it from that section and list it in Section G. Do not use strike-thrus in any section of the ECT.
- For projects with multiple PI#s, use the commitments table template for multiple PI#s.

Project designer (GDOT or consultant) signs the middle block as the EOR. Note that GEC-PE is the EOR equivalent for Design Build projects.

<b>ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITMENTS TABLE</b>		Date: 8/21/202X
Let Sponsor: GDOT LET		Stage: Choose an item.
PI#: 001999X County: King		Record Plan Set Date: 7/19/202X
<b>Review</b>	GDOT PM & PM's manager assert that commitments are feasible.	Engineer of record (EOR) asserts that plans incorporate (or will incorporate) applicable commitments.
	Signature Name: Debra Cardinal	EOR (or GEC-PE.) Name: Frank Finch
for all	Signature/Date: Debra Cardinal 8/20/202X	Signature/Date: Frank Finch 8/20/202X
		GDOT Env SME Initials & Review Date. Air/Noise: MK 8/19/2X Arch: HM 8/19/2X Eco: CG 8/19/2X Hist: MW 8/19/2X Env An: DB 8/19/2X

GDOT SMEs may initial by hand or review by email. If by email, add initials and date and keep the email in a review file on PW.

**A. During or Post Commitments/Requirements**

During or Post	Commitment	Reference Document	Office and/or Title of Responsible Party	*Responsible Party	
A-1	During	The construction contractor shall not conduct directional boring underneath the Ogeechee River (critical habitat for sturgeon) or any of the listed locations.	Ecology AOE Addendum 6/23/202X	Construction Contractor	GDOT District Construction Engineer Sign _____ Date _____
A-2	Post	GDOT will oversee a study of visual impacts from roadway widening on rural corridors. The results of this study will be documented in a white paper.	MOA, 1/21/2X (Stipulation II)	GDOT OES-History	GDOT OES – History Sign _____ Date _____
A-3	During	Conservation fund payment to offset the impacts of tree-clearing, as prescribed in the Georgia Bat Programmatic Agreement	Georgia Bat Programmatic Agreement	GDOT OES-Services - Ecology	GDOT OES – Ecology Sign _____ Date _____

(\* Responsible Party to Document Completion with a date or other relevant details; initial (or sign) the cell.)

Keep a record of correspondence with responsible party in the project file on PW. It is best if there is only one party list as the Responsible Party.

Signatures needed as commitments are completed. Include their confirmation in the project file.

**B. Special Provisions**

Special Provision	Purpose of Special Provision	Date of Transmittal
B-1 107.23.G	For the protection of migratory birds and bats	6/23/2X
B-2 107.23.H	For the protection of ecological resources	6/23/2X
B-3 107.13.J	For the protection of cultural resources within project areas	1/21/2X

(Attach any environmental Special Provisions with transmittal letters to this document.)

If available, the SPs should be attached to the ECT. If not available, note "unavailable" in the date column. Must have an SP by project letting.

**C. Necessary Permits, Stream Buffer Variances and Mitigation Credits**

Permit, Variance, Mitigation Credits, Etc.	Additional Info (permit expiration date, number of credits needed, etc.)	Status (Acquired or not acquired, if acquired include date)
C-1 Notice of Intent (NOI) for NPDES	The Office of Bidding Administration and Construction Contractor will submit a NOI to the NPDES General Permit following award of the contract but prior to construction.	Will be acquired following Let
C-2 CWA 404 Permit	A Regional Permit #34 will be required for impacts to jurisdictional waters.	Not acquired
C-3 Stream Mitigation Credits	441.75 stream credits (4, 589 legacy)	"
C-4 Wetland Mitigation Credits	0.01 wetland mitigation credit (0.08 legacy)	"
C-5 Buffer Variance	Anticipated for the non-exempt encroachment under Criterion (a)	"
C-6 Buffer Mitigation Credits	TBD with final plan development	"

(Attach all materials associated with above items with transmittal letters to this document, if applicable to the stage.)

If available, these materials should be attached. Include transmittal letters if available.

**D-F. Pre-Construction Commitments/Requirements**

D	Commitment	Applicable Resource(s)	Reference Document	Office and/or Title of Responsible Party	Status
D-1	Permanent Archival Record packages	F-6, F-8, and F-9	MOA 9/21/21 (Stipulation I)	GDOT OES-History	Incomplete
D-2	Provide project designer noise envelope for proposed noise barrier (Wall 2) along SR 81 WB: Society Street Housing Development; 1329 ft long by 14 ft tall	NA	Type I Noise Assessment, 12/2021	GDOT OES-Noise (to provide noise envelop) and Project Designer (to create noise wall design sheets)	Incomplete
D-3	Public outreach with property owners and tenants of benefited receptors regarding proposed noise abatement, per GDOT Noise Policy will be completed.	NA	"	GDOT OES-Noise	Incomplete
D-4	A copy of the EA will be provided to Henry County planners for their use in avoiding and minimizing impacts that could occur as a result of facilitated land use changes.	NA	Environmental Assessment, 10/25/22	GDOT OES-NEPA	Incomplete
D-5	The expected floodplain encroachment will be shown to the public during the PHOH.	NA	NA	GDOT OES-NEPA	Complete-Floodplain presented on materials at the PHOH dated 12/6/22.

E	*Public Outreach	Additional Information	Status
E-1	PIOH Response Letter 2/23/202X	The PM and Project Designers will coordinate with Hogg's Garage owner about median access.	Complete 3/24/202X

(\* Any response letter obligations for future consideration.)

This is a new section, and it may include any further design review, commitments in response to the public, dialogue between the PM/designer to a citizen or stakeholder organization. Example such as local govt coordination on a detour and results include a 2-week advance notice or a 2 individual projects with over lapping detour routes having let staggered to allow for less community disturbance. Another example if project engineer was to re-analyze a design element such as a side road to add additional deceleration lane and was noted in the response letter

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Water resources are to be lumped (total impacts); example categories: streams, wetlands, buffered waters (buffered land), open waters.

For cultural, they are individually listed; however, the findings column would only contain their effect finding: Adverse or no adverse or no effect etc.

F	Resources (Category)	Impacts or Effect Findings for Resources (if no impacts, state "no impacts/no permitted construction activity")	Was this updated from previous ECT? (NA if first ECT for project)	Name and Date of Report	Are all resources correct on the plans and ERIT?
F-1	Open Waters	No impacts	Yes	Ecology Resource Survey and Assessment of Effects Memorandum 2, 8/2/2X	Yes
F-2	Wetlands	0.022 acres	"	"	"
F-3	Streams	0.106 acres (approx. 475 linear ft)	"	"	"
F-4	State Water buffer	See ERIT for exemptions or fill-clearing impacts.	"	"	"
F-5	Price House	No adverse effects	No	Cultural Resources Assessment of Effects Addendum, 8/9/2X	"
F-6	Vincent House	Adverse effect	"	"	"
F-7	Douglas House	No adverse effects	"	"	"
F-8	Rogers House	Adverse effect	"	"	"
F-9	H. Roy House	Adverse effect	"	"	"
F-11	Donald House	No adverse effects	"	"	"
F-12	Glover House	No adverse effects	"	"	"
F-13	Adams House	No adverse effects	"	"	"
F-14	Resource 1	No effect	"	"	"
F-16	Identified UST / Haz Potential sites	5 sites identified, info shown on ERIT and general notes	"	Phase 2 Environmental Site Assessment, 9/7/2X	"

Do not use the word, "archaeology" for the archaeological resources.

(\*PFPR Stage can list 'Incomplete' under last column if applicable; however, for CST - 'Yes' is required.)  
For individual resources refer to technical reports and/or ERIT - the following resources are outside the project's limits or do not appear on individual plan sheets or ERIT: LIST RESOURCES HERE-if applicable.

## G. Items No Longer Applicable to Project

Use the old letter-number to identify the items that are no longer applicable.

Resource/Item/Commitment	General Description	Reason No Longer Applicable
105.11	Special provision related to hazardous materials and USTs	Now covered by a standard specification
F-10	Harris House	An eligible history resource Structure was demolished approx. Dec 202X (refer to the Jan 2X Reevaluation report).
F-15	Resource 2	Described in ESA Letter 2/1/2X Project limits shifted and no longer on plans

Estimated Mitigation Cost (Budgeting purposes only, mitigation cost may differ)	\$84,250
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Cost is an estimate only. NEPA would need to total anticipated cost from all areas where a cost is applicable (mitigation, HABS/HAER, Community Mitigation Commitment, etc). If you need to establish a separate document or spreadsheet, please do. This is just a high-level estimate for the PM as a reference for preliminary engineering funds. Be aware that items such as noise walls, visual barriers, and so on (design elements) would be captured in the construction funds. So these elements should not be included here. Construction funds include anything that is incorporated into the design where quantities/labor are determined.

If project is Complete or Under Construction: Area or Construction Comments, and During Construction Commitments were adhered to during the project's construction.

Please Print Name and Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Provide an explanation if unable to sign.

Get a signature for this only if you're reevaluating a project that is under construction or complete. Once the project's construction is complete, the GDOT construction engineer will sign here.