

Common Problems Assessment CL

- No support documentation (required)
- Incomplete packet (All pages)
- FONSI
- This is what makes an EA an EA and not a CE
- Canned phrases
- Use of Current Support Docs.
- Signed by Chief Elected Official

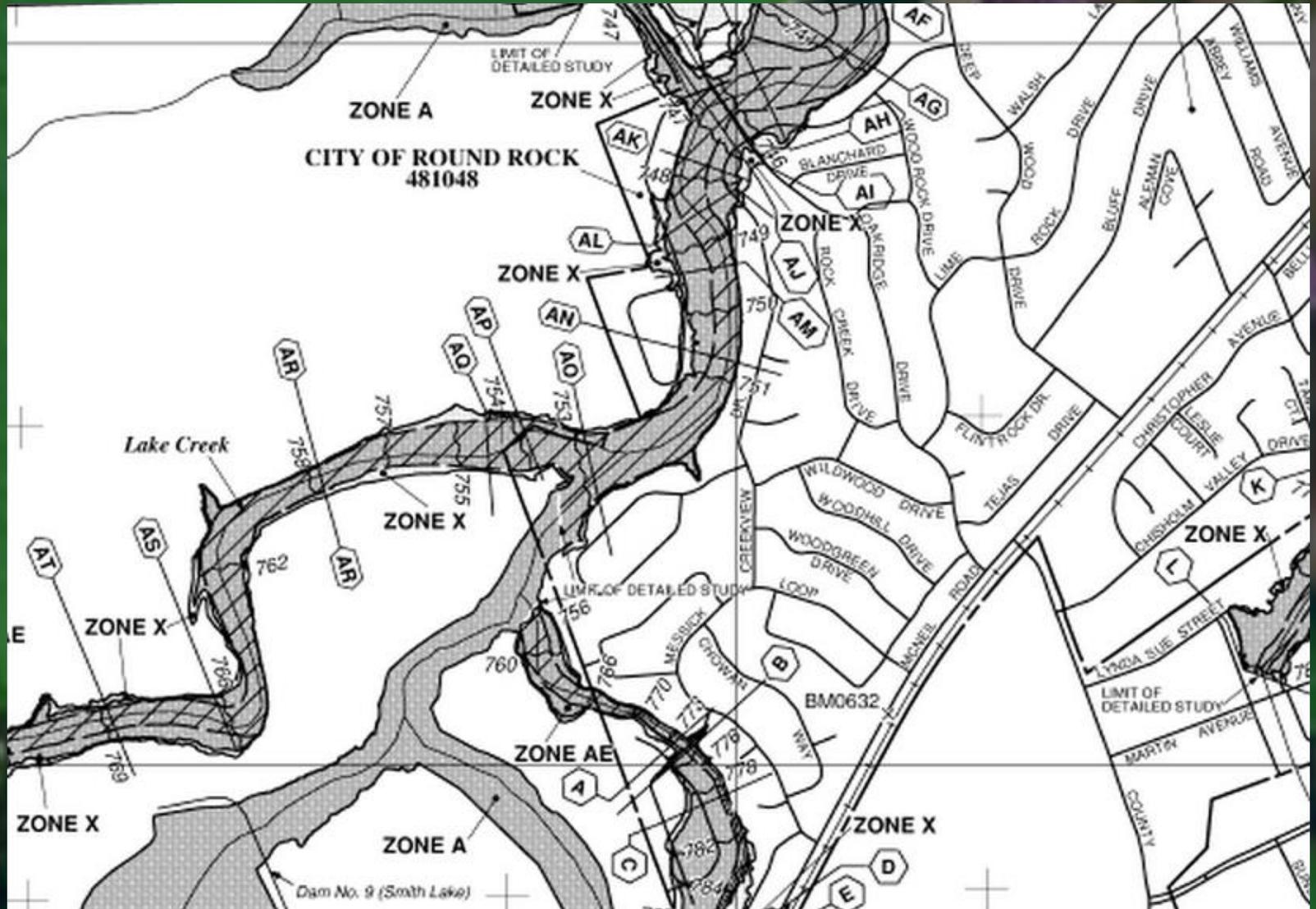
Common Problems Floodplain

- Not doing the 8 step process
- Not doing anything
- Outdated maps
- No maps
- Wrong locations
- Not looking after amendment
- Publishing notices at the same time
- 2nd Notice can be published at the same time as NOI/RROF/Combined Notice

Floodplain Management 24 CFR §55



Floodway on a FIRM Map



What' New!

- Floodplain vs. Floodway
- Capital Fund Projects
- Exempt and 58.34(a)(10)
- Project Descriptions
- Geographically Related
- Tiering a project

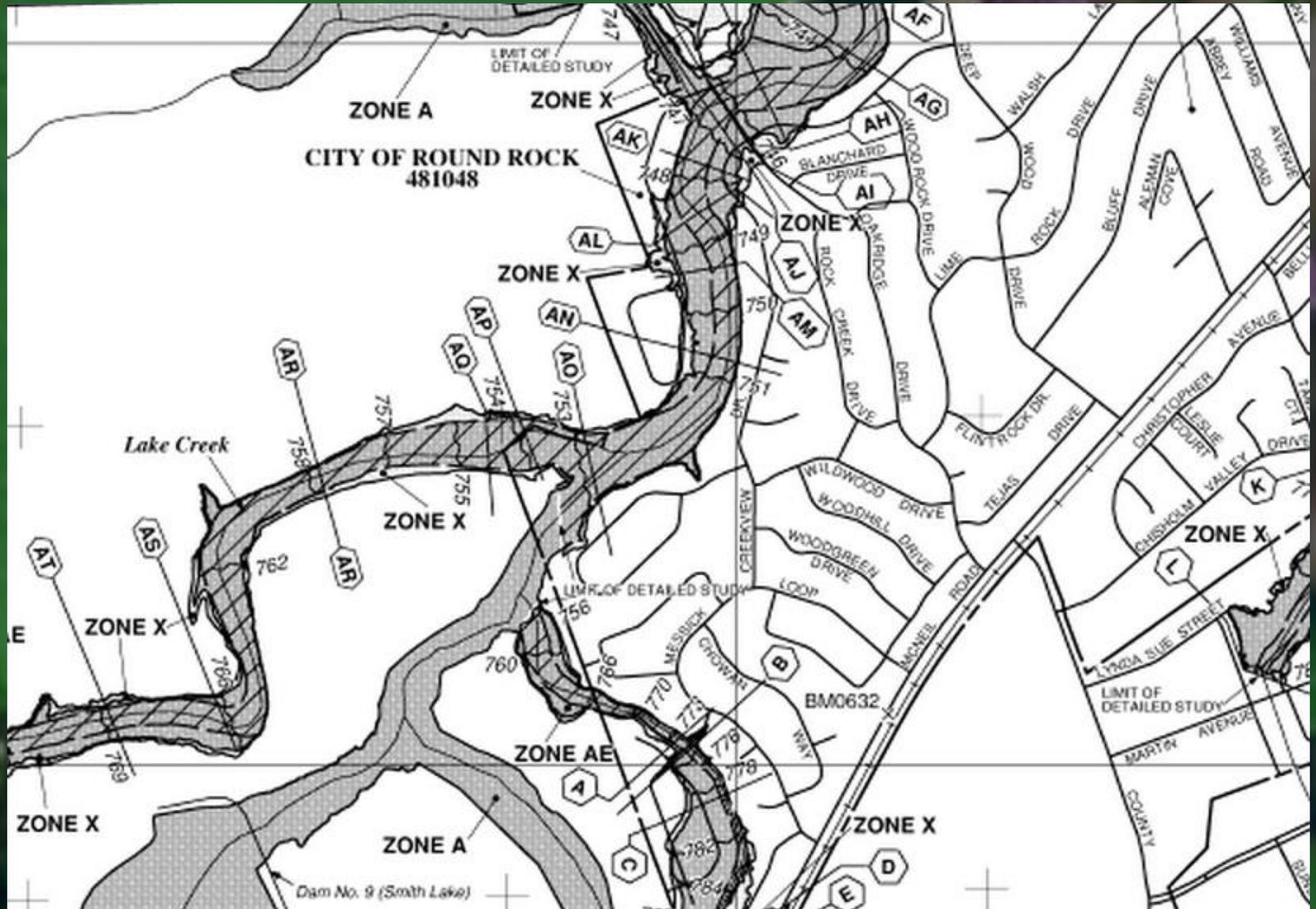
FLOODPLAIN VS. FLOODWAY

- TDA cannot pay for anything that is located above, below or in the floodway, REGARDLESS OF ELEVATION.
- What is the difference between a Floodway and a Floodplain on a map?
- Following are three examples:

Floodplain Management 24 CFR §55



Floodway on a FIRM Map



Capital Fund Projects

- The business has to be included
- Use the Phase I ESA (Environmental Site Assessment)
- Use information the city / county has already obtained
- **DON'T JUST REFERENCE**
- Make copies and reference
- Watch letters to agencies: applicability
- Nothing can be done until the ROF
- Functionally and Geographically related.

Exempt Projects 58.34(a)(10)

- This category has essentially been eliminated
- HUD Memo from 2012 requires a review of Floodplain, Critical habitat, Hazardous Chemicals, change in footprint and Historical
- Here is the link to the memo:
<http://www.texasagriculture.gov/Portals/0/Publications/RED/CDBG/Environmenta%20Review%20-%20HUD%20Memo%2012-11-12.pdf>

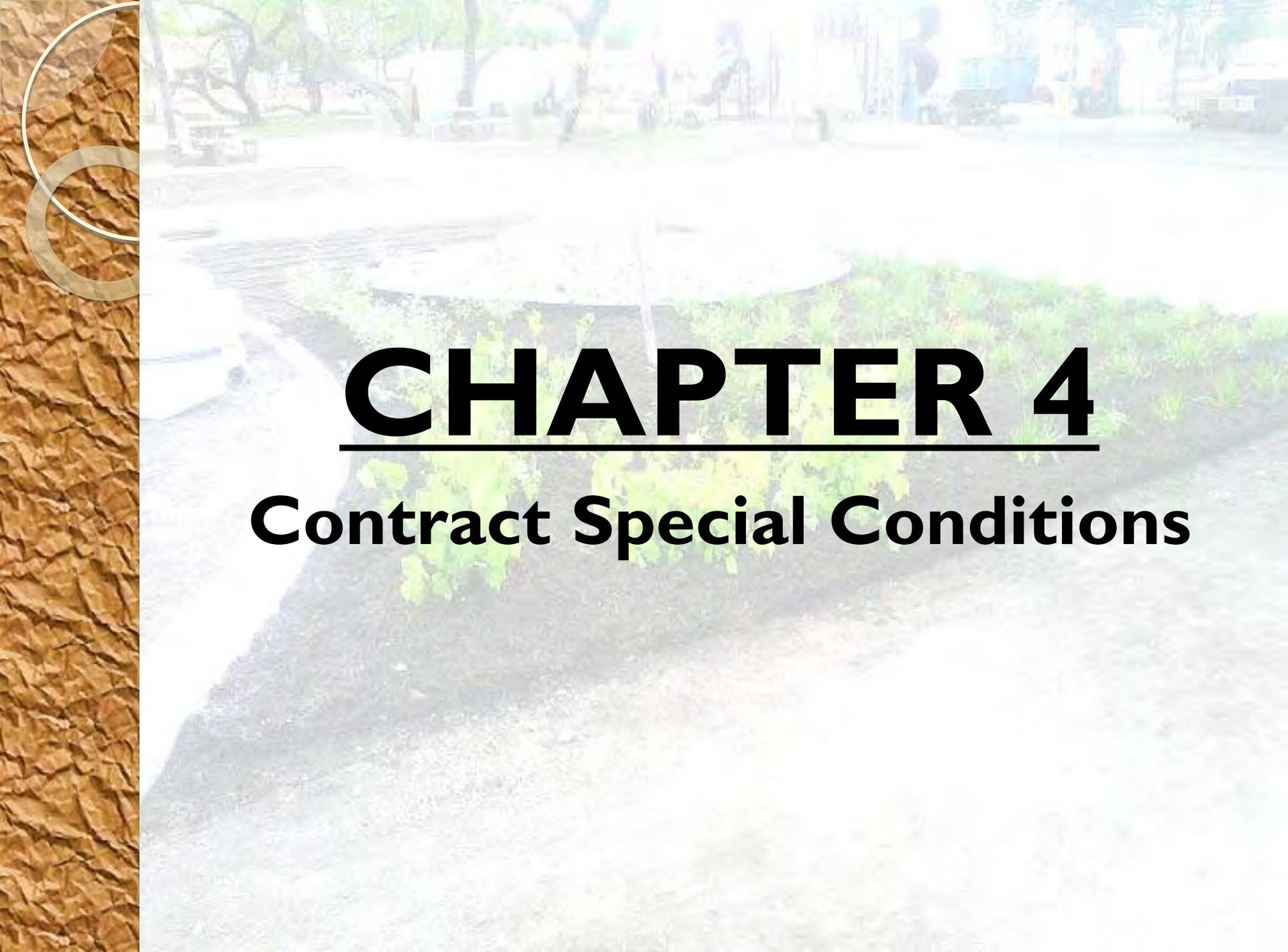
Geographically Related

- Previous guidance
- Current guidance: If they touch then they are geographically related.
- Utilize Functionally Related to limit the number of RROFs done (water is water, sewer is sewer, streets are streets)



Questions

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CHAPTER 4

Contract Special Conditions

Pre-Construction

Permit and Approval Certification Form A401

This form is used to list all permits, authorizations, or other written approvals required by state or federal regulations other than TxCDBG requirements. Examples of these approvals include:



Certification of Pre-Construction Approvals - Form A401

Grant Recipient: _____ Contract No.: _____

List all pre-construction approvals or permits required by state or federal agencies other than TDA.

Common permits and approvals are listed below. If a permit type is not available from the list, please type in the appropriate permit name. Date Permit Received TDA Monitor Approval Date

Permit Type	Date Permit Received	TDA Monitor Approval Date
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I, _____, a licensed professional engineer certify that the above reflect all applicable permits or approvals required by any federal, state or local entity or regulatory agency applicable to over TxCDBG contract # _____.

Signed Engineer's Seal

Engineer's Printed Name	Engineering Firm Name	Engineering Firm Registration Number
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Engineer's Signature	Date
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Additional Comments (If Necessary):

Chief Local Official's Printed Name	Chief Local Official's Signature	Date
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Pre-Construction – (Cont.)

Direct Benefit Guidelines

- Projects that provide direct benefit to homeowners selected through an application process must receive approval for the proposed program guidelines prior to the selection of program recipients and prior to TDA's release of funds for such activities.

Colonia Street Lighting Funds

- TxCDBG grants that include street improvements in Colonia areas are required to include adequate street lighting in the project.
- If current street lighting in the target area is determined to be absent or inadequate, must demonstrate that between 5% and 15% of the TxCDBG grant funds allocated for street improvements are designated for street lighting.

Projects Involving Model Subdivision Rules/Ordinances (Colonia Fund Only)

- Certain communities are considered “economically distressed areas” and are subject to comprehensive platting requirements known as Model Subdivision Rules.

Temporary Signage

Temporary Project Signage

All construction projects utilizing TxCDBG funding must have temporary signage erected in a prominent location at the construction project site.



Project Requiring Permanent Signage



Permanent signage is required for any TxCDBG funded public structure or project that is located above ground and enclosed by a fence.

Examples include:

- Water pump stations
- Water wells
- Water storage tanks
- Wastewater treatment facilities
- Lift stations
- Community centers
- Fire stations
- Significant improvements to existing facilities.

Project signage is an eligible construction cost.

Project Completion

Water Well Projects

- Must submit a letter from TCEQ that the constructed well is approved for interim use and may be temporarily placed into service

Septic System Replacement Projects

- Must provide documentation that final plans, specifications, and installation of its sewer system improvements (septic systems) have been reviewed and approved by the City or County Health Department through authority granted by TCEQ.

Building Projects

- Must submit documentation that the building is in compliance with TDLR requirements concerning the elimination of architectural barriers

Required Designs/Plans/Specs

Project Specific:

The Grant Recipient shall receive and maintain a copy of the final project record drawing(s) and/or engineering schematic(s), as constructed using funds under this contract.

- ✓ Digital format
- ✓ The accompanying documentation from the engineer shall include a signed statement of when the map was authorized and that the digital map is a true representation of the original sealed document.



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CHAPTER 5

Procurement Procedures