Noise abatement related decisions are reached on the basis of acoustical, engineering and socio-economic data acquired to this point. The team decision should include a recommendation on whether the abatement features should be included with the project contract or be advertised as a separate contract.

APPROVAL OF THE NOISE STUDY

For projects which do not fall under Certification Acceptance, noise study, the abatement proposals and exception requests are submitted to FHWA for approval. For projects which fall under Certification Acceptance, the approval is rendered by the Director of Planning and Programming.

RIGHT OF WAY

The Right of Way Engineer is advised of the need for noise abatement related right of way by the State Location and Design Engineer.

PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND ESTIMATES (PS & E)

If a significant time period has elapsed between the approval of the noise study and submission of the PS&E assembly, it may become necessary to update the abatement related data in the noise study, reevaluate abatement costs, and resubmit it to FHWA with the PS&E.

CONSTRUCTION REVIEW

The Department and FHWA review the abatement features with the contractor during construction.

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