

Right-of-Way Division and Location and Design agreed in 2010 to a pilot program to utilize the Survey Section to develop right-of-way acquisition plats for use in acquiring fee property and/or interest in property for transportation purposes. The plat shall contain a note that it is produced from compiled data, and will contain the fee take, all easements and applicable minimum requirements as required by DPOR's APELSCIDLA regulations. The plat shall meet the State Library standards for recordation. Preliminary plat preparation shall begin after all **Utility*** Field Inspection comments have been incorporated into the project plans.

By sealing and signing the product, the land surveyor is testifying that the information shown and depicted in the Right-of-Way Acquisition Plat is a representation of the existing field and ownership conditions on that date for the area of concern, it is produced from compiled sources of data **and** that the survey meets the minimum requirements of DPOR's APELSCIDLA regulations pertaining to boundary or compilation surveys and plats of record. Please refer to **Figure 12-B** for a sample Right-of-Way Acquisition Plat.

Bearings and Distances are the controlling elements for acquisition plats. Stations and offsets are shown on the plat to tie the plat to the project baseline controls (Provide a minimum of 2 points). Plats shall reference the VDOT project number, UPC number parcel number and the corresponding plan sheet associated with these project controls and plusses and offsets. Plats shall clearly show calculated areas of right-of-way and/or each easement type required to construct the project.

As part of plat development, recordation and prior to the commencement of construction, **The Surveyor of Record will be responsible for setting right-of-way break points and points of intersection between the new right-of-way and existing property lines.** Such break points will be shown on the acquisition plats. VDOT will no longer pay the affected property owners for the placement of these points **when right of way plats are used.**

Sec. 12.05 **Construction Surveys**

The majority of this work occurs after the Project Advertisement phase as depicted in the VDOT Project Development.

Sec. 12.05.1 **Professional Surveying Services & Responsibilities**

All survey work shall adhere to the minimum specifications and guidance as referenced in **the current Road and Bridge Specifications (Sections 105.13 and 517) and Chapters 8 and 9 of the VDOT Survey Manual and Sec. 12.02**

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