

## **SECTION 2 E - 5 - PROPOSED RIGHT OF WAY AND LIMITED ACCESS**

### **DETERMINING PROPOSED RIGHT OF WAY ENCOMPASSING SLOPE LIMITS**

All existing right of way acquired in fee will be shown on plans as established by the survey information or other data. Prescriptive or statutory right of way is to be shown on the plans but is not to be shown or labeled\* as existing fee right of way.

The width of proposed right of way shall be sufficient to accommodate the roadway cross-section elements and requisite appurtenances necessary for an adequate facility in the design year and for known future improvements.

Minimum right of way widths shall be set in accordance with the "CS" standards in VDOT's [Road and Bridge Standards](#).

Right of way breaks are to be set at reasonable longitudinal distances so as not to obtain excessive right of way. Breaks are to be spaced at sufficient intervals so that the right of way line will not be unreasonably irregular and are to be located in accordance with the Criteria for Placement of Right of way Monuments covered in [Appendix C, Section C-3-RIGHT OF WAY](#).

There are instances when it is desirable to acquire an entire parcel. This occurs when only a portion of the parcel is required for the construction of the project, (e.g., - only small residue remains; dwelling, etc., taken by construction, and residue does not meet minimum requirements for reconstruction). These situations should be reviewed at the project preliminary field inspection and a decision regarding the property made at that time or during the right of way appraisal stage. When this occurs, the normal right of way line is to be established (clearly dimensioned) and labeled "Proposed Right of Way" and the residue property line(s) labeled "Proposed Acquisition Line" (See [Figure C-3-1, Appendix C, Section C-3-RIGHT OF WAY](#)). By labeling the residue in this manner, the surplus property has been established and will be included in the Right of Way Division's "Residue Parcels Inventory" for disposal purposes.

Proposed right of way is to be labeled on each side of the roadway at least once per plan sheet unless broken by a connection or relocation.

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