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SUBJECT: Chapter 25 Revision

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Chapter 25 of the BDE Manual has been greatly revised and expanded upon to reflect current practices, provide clarification on the entire Environmental Impact Statement process, incorporate changes due to MAP-21, incorporate principles of the Implementing Quality Environmental Documents (IQED) initiative, and include FHWA's new water quality model. Please see Chapter 25 of the BDE Manual on-line to view the revisions.

Background

A workgroup from BDE and FHWA rewrote all sections of Chapter 25; therefore, there are no track changes. An outline of this revision is as follows:

- Section 25-1 was streamlined.
- Section 25-2 was modified and updated -
 - + Figures 25-2.A and 25-2.B were removed as districts indicated they were not a useful tool.
 - + Section 25-2 Activity Titles were removed and replaced with the format hierarchy used in other BDE Chapters. For example, Activity Title 01 is now 25-2.01.
 - + Options for the Combined Final EIS (FEIS) and ROD and Separate FEIS and ROD from MAP-21 were added.
- Section 25-3 was updated -
 - + Section 25-3.01 was revised to include "reader- friendly" concepts from a FHWA IQED initiative.
 - + Section 25-3.08j now includes FHWA's new water quality model (Stochastic Empirical Loading and Dilution Model).
- Section 25-4 was added to give options for the FEIS
- Section 25-5 was added to discuss format and content of the Record of Decision (ROD)

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- References were updated and corrected as needed.



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