

# HELPFUL HINTS FOR ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEWS

## 1. What does the project involve?

- Talk to Project Representative.
- For water and sewer projects, talk to the Engineer that the local government has been working with on project.
- Visit the project site.

## 2. Determine the level of Environmental Review needed. **We have people who don't know what this means. Can you please go into detail- what does exempt mean? What is categorically excluded?**

- Check HUD website.
- Call DCA, for advice.

## 3. Documentation

- Maps, pictures, descriptions to SHPO **example of consultation letter?**
- Floodplain
  - State Floodplain maps
  - FEMA flood map store
  - If a floodplain is involved, start eight-step process. **Can you explain the 8 step process in layman's terms?**
- Wildlife and Vegetation
  - NC Natural Heritage Program
  - US Fish and Wildlife
- Wetlands
  - Are there any streams on project site that will be impacted?
  - County Soil Survey Maps
  - NWI Maps
  - Talk to County NRCS staff
  - US Army Corps of Engineers
  - Local government project engineer

## 4. Time Considerations

- Make sure dates are correct on Notice's
- If any doubt call DCA
- Develop a time line matrix

## 5. Clearinghouse Comments

- Address comments