## APPENDIX - E DETERMINE/DISTINGUISH SIGNIFICANT/NON-SIGNIFICANT EFFECTS

"Significant" requires considerations of both context and intensity:

- (a) Context. This means that the significance of an action must be analyzed in several contexts such as society as a whole (human, nation), the affected region, the affected interests, and the locality. Significance varies with the setting of the proposed action. For instance, in the case of a site-specific action, significance would usually depend upon the effects in the local area rather than in the world as a whole. Both short-and long-term effects are relevant.
- (b) *Intensity*. This refers to the severity of impact. Responsible officials must bear in mind that more than one agency may make decisions about partial aspects of a major action. The following should be considered in evaluating intensity:
  - (1) Impacts that may be both beneficial and adverse. A significant effect may exist even if, on balance, the effect would be beneficial.

"Non-significant effect" means no substantial change to an environmental component and this has no material bearing on the decision-making process.

Scientific, technical, institutional, the public's value, and the local economic conditions influence the meaning of significant effect.

If an alternative would provide a beneficial effect, then the alternative would cause no significant adverse effect. If an alternative would provide an adverse effect, the effect might be significant or the effect might be non-significant.

Determinations of "significant" and "non-significant" effects will be made by the Superintendent of Operations.

## APPENDIX - F PROGRAM COMPLIANCE/PROGRAM REVIEW GOALS FOR CURRENT PLAN YEAR

- 1. The Dickinson County Road Commission's Title VI Plan will be communicated to each Dickinson County Road Commission Department Head who will review the plan with departmental employees. All Dickinson County Road Commission employees will be trained or made aware of the Title VI and LEP policies and complaint procedures.
- 2. Appendix A will be included in all Road Commission contracts as outlined in the Title VI Plan.
- 3. The Dickinson County Road Commission's Title VI Plan will be published on the main page of the Dickinson County Road Commission's website <a href="http://www.dickinsoncrc.com">http://www.dickinsoncrc.com</a>, within 90 days of approval.
- 4. The language in Number 2 of the DCRC's Title VI Assurances will be included in all solicitations for bids for work or material subject to the Regulations and in all proposals for negotiated agreements.
- 5. The procedure for responding to individuals with Limited English Proficiency will be implemented.
- 6. A review of the DCRC facilities will be conducted in reference to compliance with the American Disabilities Act.
- 7. The following data will be collected and reviewed by the Title VI Coordinator and included, where appropriate, in the annual report submitted to MDOT.
  - a. **Boards and Commissions:** The number of vacancies; how vacancies are advertised and filled; the number of applicants; the representation of minorities will be evaluated.
  - b. **Public Meetings:** The number of open meetings; how meeting dates and times communicated to the general public and to individuals directly affected by the meeting.
  - c. Construction Projects: The number of construction projects; number of minority contractors bidding and the number selected; verification that Title VI language was included in bids and contracts for each project.
  - d. **LEP Needs:** How many requests for language assistance were requested or required and the outcome of these requests.
  - e. **Complaints:** The number of Title VI complaints received; nature of the complaints; resolution of the complaints.
  - f. **Timeliness of Services:** Number of requests for services; amount of time from request to when service was delivered; number of requests denied.
  - g. Right of Way/Eminent Domain: Numbers of such actions and diversity of individual(s) affected.
  - h. Program Participants: Racial data of program participants where possible.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>i</sup> The executive order verbatim can be found online at <a href="http://www.usdoj.gov/crt/cor/Pubs/eolep.htm">http://www.usdoj.gov/crt/cor/Pubs/eolep.htm</a>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>ii</sup> Policy Guidance Concerning Recipients' Responsibilities to Limited English Proficient (LEP) Persons. Federal Register: December 14, 2055 (Volume 70, Number 239)

iii The DOT has also posted an abbreviated version of this guidance on their website at https://www.civilrights.dot.gov/civil-rights-awareness-enforcement/language-assistance/dots-lep-guidance

iv http://www.dotcr.ost.dot.gov/asp/lep/asp

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>v</sup> Department of Justice Final LEP Guidelines, Federal Register June 18, 2002-Vol. 67-Number 117.