



VDOT Tier I/ Tier II Project Development

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- **Background**
- **Implementation**
- **How Does This Affect Locally Administered Projects?**

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Background

- **Cherry, Beckaert & Holland Performance Audit – August 2010**

Develop a project-specific risk assessment methodology that should be a required task in the project planning phase. The project level risk assessment should provide the basis for concluding that a low-risk project would not be subject to certain control reviews such as the review of signed and sealed plans by Central Office location and design. Strategies: 1) consider a three-tiered process approach to project development; 2) certain Central Office review procedures pertaining to project scoping and design should be eliminated for low-risk projects; 3) for low-risk projects, the PE manager and a district L&D Engineer should authorize project scope and plan design with no additional review or approval required by the Central Office; 4) certain review processes and procedures included in Central Office Scheduling & Contracting Division's "Plan Review" phase could be revised or eliminated for low-risk projects; and 5) certain review processes and procedures included in Central Office Scheduling & Contracting Division's estimating phase should be modified or reviewed – specifically, for low-risk projects, S&CD should consider utilizing cost estimates developed by district engineers.

- **Chief Engineer's Meeting with District Project Development Engineers – November 2010**



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Implementation

(refer to handout on Tier I/II)

- Risk
- Process
- Controls

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How Does This Affect Locally Administered Projects?

- **Generally Transparent to Localities**
- **Time Savings – Local Reviews Only For Majority of Projects**
- **More Local VDOT Ownership**
- **More Effective VDOT/Locality Partnership**