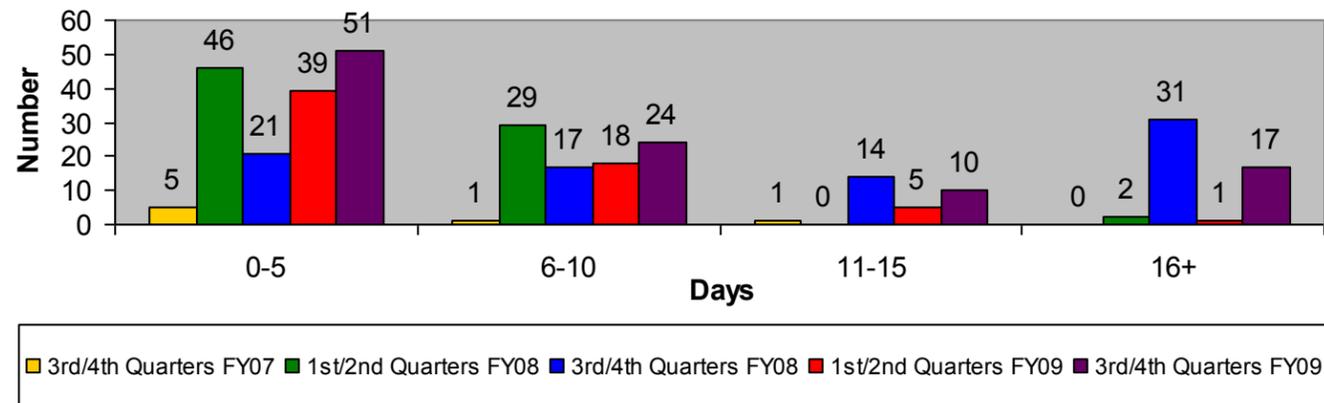


Approval of ER Damage Inspection Reports



This chart shows the timeliness of approval for emergency relief (ER) damage inspection reports. Our goal is to approve 90% of these reports within 10 days of receipt.

- We approved 74% of the damage inspection reports within 10 days of receipt. We fell 16% short of our goal for the 3rd/4th quarters of FY2009 due to the increased work load resulting from the Recovery Act.
- We met our goal of 90% for the 1st/2nd quarters of FY2009.
- [Note: We did not meet our goal in the 3rd/4th quarters of FY2008. This is attributed to the Washington Division revising its long-standing policy on "debris removal."]

ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT (ESA) UPDATE

The Division Office has been providing support to WSDOT to assist with finalizing and implementing the Programmatic ESA Consultation for species under USFWS jurisdiction in western Washington. Cindy Callahan, WA Division Biologist, has continued the assistance she provided WSDOT in her previous job to update the 300 page Programmatic Biological Assessment (PBA) to incorporate all of the conditions in the Programmatic Biological Opinion, thus creating a "working document" that will be used to implement the PBA. In addition Cindy assisted with the development of the database and forms to be used to implement the PBA and is currently helping with the development of training for users.

The Program Management Team (PMT), with representatives from USFWS, NOAA Fisheries, WSDOT and FHWA has been working on various aspects of ESA consultation to improve the timelines for these consultations and increase predictability. Sharon Love, Environmental Program Manager worked with representatives from the other three agencies to update the guidance on when indirect effects analysis is required in ESA consultations. There is more work to do on this subject as projects begin to apply the new guidance, and FHWA is continuing to work with projects as the guidance is applied. The PMT has also reached agreement on methodology for analysis of the pollutants in stormwater and the noise effects of underwater pile driving.

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Semi-Annual Project Delivery Report

With data from Federal Fiscal Year 2009 Quarters 3 & 4 (April 2009-September 2009)
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INTRODUCTION

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Washington Division has developed the following Project Delivery Report which highlights some of the broad array of activities / initiatives / approvals we perform to assist the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) and local agencies in delivering projects.

data is gathered for supplemental measures. On the last page we highlight other project delivery action and initiatives.

This report also shows our response times for Recovery Act project activities.

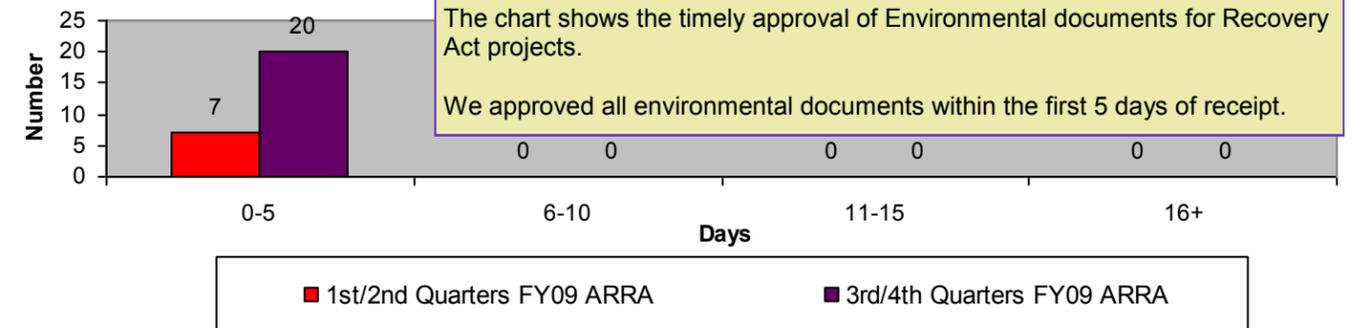
We will continue to add to / revise the performance measures for future reporting and welcome any suggestions. Our goal is to continue to set the standard for excellence in FHWA in project delivery.

Presented below and herein are charts / graphs of project delivery measures. Additional charts / graphs will be added in future reports as new



American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) Activity

Approval of Categorical Exclusions for Recovery Act Projects



The chart shows the timely approval of Environmental documents for Recovery Act projects. We approved all environmental documents within the first 5 days of receipt.

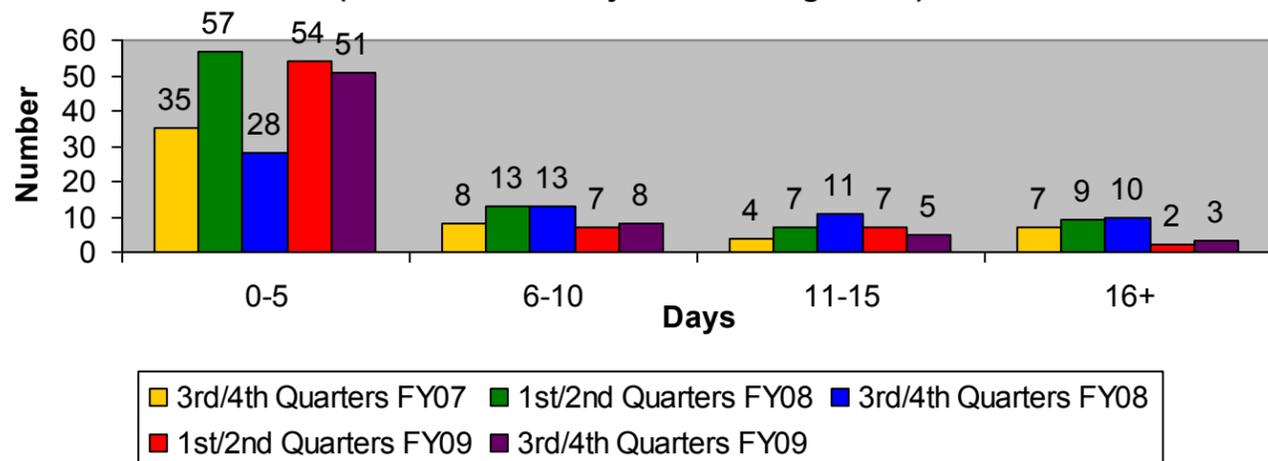
Timeliness of Authorizations for Recovery Act Projects

Number of Days	2009
0 to 5 Days	312
6 to 10 Days	1
11 to 15 Days	0
16 to 20 Days	0
20 + Days	0
TOTALS	313

The chart shows the timeliness of approval of project authorization for the Recovery Act projects.

We approved all but one of the 313 authorizations within the first 5 days of receipt.

Approval of Documented Categorical Exclusions (All Federal-aid Projects Including ARRA)



This chart shows the timeliness of approval of documented categorical exclusions (DCEs) semi-annually from FY2007 to FY2009. As the chart depicts, we are approving the vast majority of DCEs within the first 10 days of receipt.

OTHER APPROVALS/ACTIONS

Environmental Document Approvals

- Mercer Corridor Improvement Project FONSI was approved on May 12, 2009
- SR 502 Corridor Widening Project DEIS was signed on May 14, 2009

Design Approvals

- Lake Washington Congestion Management Project was approved on July 28, 2009 (8 days after receipt)
- I-405/NE 195th St. to SR 527 Northbound Auxiliary Lane
 - Statement of Qualifications approved on April 22, 2009 (2 weeks after receipt)
 - Request for Proposal approved on August 14, 2009 (1 week after receipt)
- Tacoma HOV, Port of Tacoma Rd. I/C to King County Line approved on April 7, 2009 (9 days after receipt)

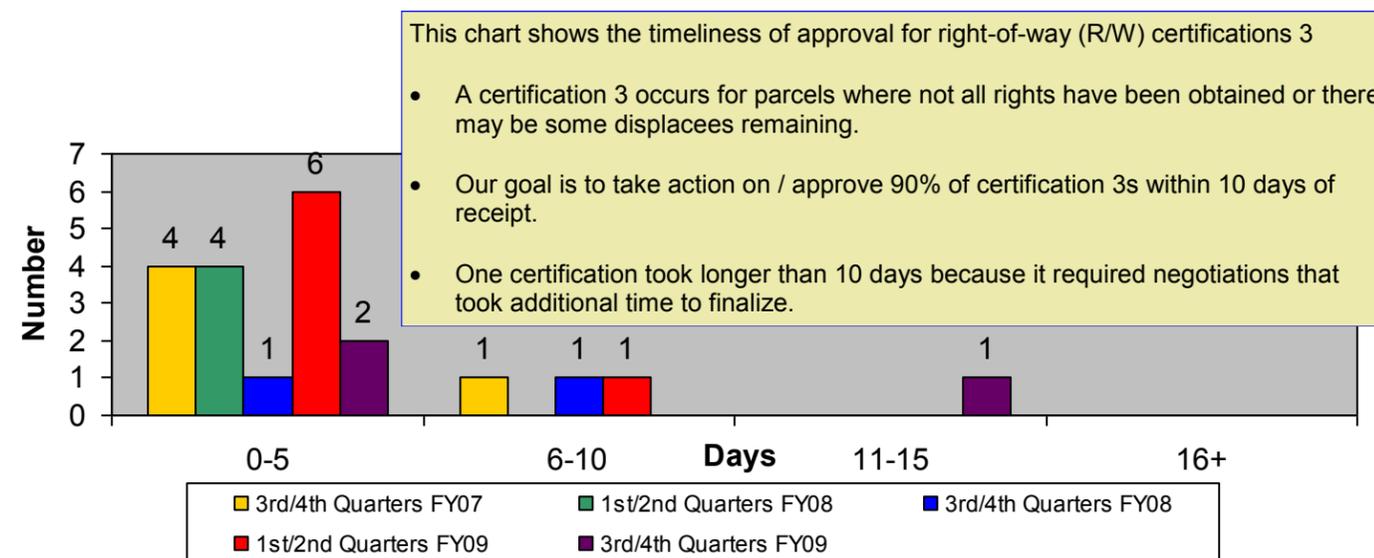
Design Deviations

- I-5/Boeing Access Rd. to I-90 Interchange Gantry Construction
 - Shoulder Deviation approved on November 5, 2008 (16 days after receipt)
- Lake Washington Congestion Management Eastside Travel Time Signs
 - Shoulder Deviation approved on April 15, 2009 (2 days after receipt)
- I-90 Sullivan Rd. to Barker Rd., Corridor Design (Phase I)
 - Vertical Clearance Deviation approved June 9, 2009 (same day of receipt)
- I-5/SR 501 Ridgefield Interchange, reduced acceleration length approved on May 14, 2009 (same day of receipt)
- I-405/NE 8th St. to SR 520 Northbound Braided Ramps
 - Lane Width Deviation approved on August 24, 2009 (1 day after receipt)
- I-405/SR 520 to I-5 Widening Project, Superelevation Deviation approved on May 1, 2009 (same day of receipt)
- I-405/I-5 to SR 169 Stage I Widening, Lane Width Deviation approved on April 20, 2009 (same day of receipt)

Access Actions

- I-5/SR16/SR18 Interchange Improvements (Triangle Project) approved on June 2, 2009 (12 days after receipt)
- Talley Way Interchange, Engineering & Operations Acceptability on September 22, 2009 (6 days after receipt)
- SR11/I-5 Interchange and Josh Wilson Road Realignment Approved on May 13, 2009 (same day of receipt)
- I-5 Tacoma HOV, Port of Tacoma Rd. I/C to King County Line Approved on April 16, 2009 (1 day after receipt)

Approval of R/W Cert 3s (Non-ARRA Federal-aid Projects)



- * Approval of certifications 1 and 2 have been delegated to WSDOT.
- ** In order to authorize the advertisement of a project for construction, the State must certify the R/W has been cleared, per 23 CFR 635.309.
- *** Certification 3s are to be used only in very unusual circumstances.

Timeliness of Authorizations / Modifications (All Federal-aid Projects Including ARRA)

No. of Days	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
0 to 5 Days	208	780	858	724	1327	1463	1456	943	1451	1645	2261
6 to 10 Days	24	241	307	121	90	101	103	68	175	128	113
11 to 15 Days	12	77	109	39	10	22	24	13	37	12	7
16 to 20 Days	9	29	34	21	5	3	8	1	18	5	1
20 + Days	31	152	68	98	52	15	17	8	16	13	5
TOTALS	284	1279	1376	1003	1484	1604	1608	1033	1697	1803	2387

This table reflects the number of authorizations / modifications approved within certain timeframes since 1999.

- For FY2009 our approval has increased to 95%, up from FY2007's 86% within the first five (5) days.
- The 95% exceeded our goal of 90%!

(Note: the FY begins on October 1 and ends on September 30 of the following year.)