APPENDIX A
Guiding Documents

Who is this appendix for?

Appendix A provides you, AMATS staff, and consultants with a list of the federal, state and municipal documents that guide public involvement in local transportation planning.

What is included in this appendix?

- A summary of the 2005 federal Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act (SAFETEA-LU)
- A list of other pertinent federal regulations, as well as state and AMATS guiding documents
- Online links to the full texts of these documents

How should this appendix be used?

The information in these documents is summarized in the AMATS Public Participation Plan. The Internet links below will take you to on-line versions of the source documents for further reading.

Summary of SAFETEA-LU

SAFETEA-LU says that any public participation plan shall, at a minimum:

- Provide adequate public notice of opportunities to participate, and time for public review and comment at key decision points. This includes, but is not limited to, a reasonable opportunity to comment on the Long-Range Transportation Plan and the Transportation Improvement Program;
- Provide timely notice and reasonable access to information about transportation issues and processes;
- Use charts, graphs and other visuals to describe the Long-Range Transportation Plan and the Transportation Improvement Program;
- Make technical information, meeting notes and other information available in electronically accessible formats and means, such as a Web site;
- Hold public meetings at convenient and accessible locations and times;
- Demonstrate explicit consideration and response to public input received during development of the Long-Range Transportation Plan and the Transportation Improvement Program;
- Seek out and consider the needs of those traditionally underserved by existing transportation systems, such as low-income and minority households, who may face challenges accessing employment and other services;
- Provide an additional opportunity for public comment if the final Long-Range Transportation Plan or Transportation Improvement Program differs significantly from the version that was made available for public comment by the MPO, and raises new material issues which interested parties could not reasonably have foreseen from previous public involvement efforts;

- Coordinate with statewide transportation-planning efforts to involve and consult with the public; and
- Periodically review the effectiveness of the procedures and strategies contained in the plan to ensure a full and open participation process.

Federal Regulations

Source	Purpose
Federal Register/Vol. 72, No. 30/Wednesday, February 14, 2007: Statewide Transportation Planning, Metropolitan Transportation Planning — Final Rule	The final rule revises the regulations passed into law by the 2005 Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU), which governs the development of metropolitan transportation plans and programs for urbanized areas; state transportation plans and programs; and regulations for congestion management systems.
Final Rule Title VII, Civil Rights Act of 1964 Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1988	These acts prohibit discrimination in transportation planning on the basis of race, color, national origin or disability.
Executive Order 12372 — Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs	Guides communication and coordination between federal agencies and state and local elected officials who represent entities that provide non-federal funds using the designated state process.
Executive Order 12898 — Federal Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low-income Populations Executive Order 13166 — Improving Access to Services for People With Limited English Proficiency	These executive orders guide environmental justice issues.
Executive Order 13175 — Consultation and Coordination with Indian Tribal Governments	Requires consultation and collaboration with tribal officials when developing federal policies that affect tribes.
National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended through 2000	Establishes a program for the preservation of additional historic properties nationwide, and for other purposes.
Title 23, U.S. Code, Chapter 1 — Federal-Aid Highways, Section 134, Metropolitan Transportation Planning	Guides metropolitan planning organization (MPO) processes.
Title 23, U.S. Code, Chapter 1 — Federal-Aid Highways, Section 135, Statewide Transportation Planning	Guides state transportation planning processes.
Title 23, U.S. Code, Chapter 1 Federal-Aid Highways — 104(a)	Defines the Federal-aid Highway Program's financing cycle for SAFETEA-LU and other surface transportation authorizing legislation.
Title 23, Code of Federal Regulations — Highways, Part 450, Planning Assistance and Standards	Implements 23 U.S. Code, Section 135, Statewide Transportation Planning.
Title 42, U.S. Code, Section 7506, Limitations on Certain Federal Assistance	Addresses limitations on Federal assistance for metropolitan planning organizations (MPOS) and others who conduct any activity that doesn't conform to established standards.

Title 40, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 93, Protection of Environment	Implements section 176(c) of the Clean Air Act (CAA), as amended (42 U.S.C. 7401 et seq.), and the related requirements of 23 U.S.C. 109(j), with respect to the conformity of transportation plans, programs, and projects which are developed, funded, or approved by the United States Department of Transportation (DOT), and by metropolitan planning organizations (MPOs) or other recipients of funds under title 23 U.S.C. or the Federal Transit Laws (49 U.S.C. Chapter 53).

State Regulations

Source	Purpose
Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facilities (ADOT&PF) Limited English Proficiency Plan	Guides ADOT&PF efforts to provide people who are not proficient in English with an equal opportunity to benefit from, or have access to, information normally provided in English.
Millennium Agreement between the Federally Recognized Sovereign Tribes of Alaska and the State of Alaska	Guides government-to-government relations between Alaska tribes and the state of Alaska.
Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facilities' Tribal Consultation Policy	Reinforces government-to-government relationships between ADOT&PF and the tribes in Alaska through consultation on significant matters of mutual concern.

AMATS documents

Source	Purpose
AMATS Unified Planning Work Program	Identifies all transportation planning and/or air quality planning and related programming activities within the metropolitan area of the Municipality of Anchorage, including the Long-Range Transportation Plan and the Transportation Improvement Program, air quality, public transit, etc.
AMATS Inter-Governmental Operating Agreement for Transportation and Air Quality Planning.	Agreement between the Municipality of Anchorage and the State of Alaska to cooperatively coordinate the planning and construction of all urban transportation facilities as required by 23 U.S. Code, Section 134.
AMATS Policies and Procedures, numbers 1 through 5: • No. 1: General policies and requirements • No. 2: Definitions • No. 3: Funding allocations • No. 4: Transportation Improvement Program format and development • No. 5: Trigger events that require additional public participation	These sections spell out how transportation and air quality projects included in the Transportation Improvement Program will be scored and funded.

Internet Resources

Federal

Federal Register/Vol. 72, No. 30/Wednesday, February 14, 2007: Statewide Transportation Planning, Metropolitan Transportation Planning — Final Rule
edocket.access.gpo.gov/2007/pdf/E7-2401.pdf

Title VII, Civil Rights Act of 1964 — Final Rule
http://www.eeoc.gov/policy/vii.html

Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987
http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/ejustice/facts/restoration_act.htm

Executive Order 12372 — Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs
http://www.archives.gov/federal-register/codification/executive-order/12372.html

Executive Order 12898 — Federal Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low-income Populations
http://www.archives.gov/federal-register/codification/executive-order/12372.html
http://www.hud.gov/offices/fheo/FHLaws/EXO12898.cfm

Executive Order 13166 — Improving Access to Services for People With Limited English Proficiency
http://www.usdoj.gov/crt/cor/Pubs/eolep.php

Executive Order 13175 — Consultation and Coordination with Indian Tribal Governments
http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/eo/eo13175.htm
http://ceq.hss.doe.gov/nepa/regs/eos/eo13175.html

National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended through 2000
www.achp.gov/NHPA.pdf

Title 23 of the U.S. Code, Chapter 1 — Federal-Aid Highways, Section 134, Metropolitan Transportation Planning
http://www4.law.cornell.edu/uscode/23/134.html

Title 23 of the U.S. Code, Chapter 1 — Federal-Aid Highways, Section 135, Statewide Transportation Planning
http://uscode.house.gov/download/pls/23C1.txt
http://frwebgate.access.gpo.gov/cgi-bin/getdoc.cgi?dbname=browse_usc&docid=Cite:+23USC135

Title 23 of the U.S. Code, 104(a)(37) — Title 23 Highways, Chapter 1 Federal-Aid Highways

http://frwebgate.access.gpo.gov/cgi-bin/getdoc.cgi?dbname=browse_usc&docid=Cite:+23USC104
http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/reports/financingfederalaid/procs.htm#22a

Title 49 Transportation of the U.S. Code, Chapter 53 — Mass Transportation, Section 5332 Nondiscrimination
http://frwebgate.access.gpo.gov/cgi-bin/getdoc.cgi?dbname=browse_usc&docid=Cite:+49USC5332

Title 23 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 450 — Legislation & Regulations, Federal Highway Administration, Chapter 1 Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation, Subchapter E — Planning and Research, Part 450 — Planning Assistance and Standards
http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/hep/23cfr450.htm

Title 49, U.S. Code — Transportation, Chapter 53, Public Transportation
www.usdoj.gov/crt/cor/byagency/dot5332.php

Title 42, U.S. Code — The Public Health and Welfare, Chapter 85, Air Pollution Prevention and Control, Section 7506, Limitations on Certain Federal Assistance
http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/energyenviron/environment/lawsandregs/laws/lawsauthorities/42usc/7506.cfm

Title 40, Code of Federal Regulations, Protection of Environment
http://ecfr.gpoaccess.gov/cgi/t/text/text-idx?c=ecfr&tpl=/ecfrbrowse/Title40/40cfr93_main_02.tpl

State

Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facilities Limited English Proficiency Plan
http://www.dot.state.ak.us/

Millennium Agreement between the Federally Recognized Sovereign Tribes of Alaska and the State of Alaska
http://www.dot.state.ak.us/, http://www.dot.state.ak.us/stwddes/dcsenviron/resources/tribal.shtml

Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facilities' Tribal Consultation Policy
http://www.dot.state.ak.us/, http://www.dot.state.ak.us/stwddes/dcsenviron/resources/tribal.shtml

AMATS documents

AMATS Unified Planning Work Program — Current Year 2008-2009; AMATS Inter-Governmental Operating Agreement for Transportation and Air Quality Planning
http://www.muni.org/transplan/UPWP.cfm

AMATS Policies and Procedures — General polices/requirements
http://www.muni.org/transplan/Publications.cfm