CONTRACT CLOSEOUT PROCESS

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Who is involved with Contract closeout?



Contract Closeout Personnel

- Agency Representative(s)* ~ (Resident Engineer, Resident Engineer Consultant Projects,
 Transportation Project Manager aka Local Agency Liaison, Area Manager, support personnel)
- Non-Agency Representative(s)* ~ (Consultant's Project Manager, support personnel)
- Region Assurance Specialist ~ (RAS; quality and quantity documentation auditor)
- Contract Compliance Specialist ~ (semi-final documentation reviewer, recommends Final Acceptance)
- Contract Administration Engineer ~ (CAE; authorizes Final Acceptance according to 00110.20)
- Contract Payments Specialist ~ (reviews final payment, recommends CAE concurrence, transfers final
 payment to Financial Services after CAE concurrence)
- Financial Services ~ (makes final payment to the Contractor)

*collectively and separately referred to as RE throughout this document for brevity

Initiation of Contract Closeout



When should Contract closeout start?

The contract closeout process begins at Second Notification (2nd Note).

00110.20 **Second Notification** - Written acknowledgment by the Engineer of the end of Contract Time according to 00180.50(g).

RAS-issued documentation:

Documentation Review Report (DRR) ~ up to the issuance of 2nd Note, the RAS reviews the quality and quantity (Q&Q) documentation of each Project quarterly (soft goal), producing a DRR noting any documentation/process deficiencies

Action Plan (AP) ~ after 2nd Note is issued, the RAS reviews the Q&Q documentation of each Project monthly (approximately), producing in conjunction with the RE an AP noting any remaining documentation/process deficiencies with each item being assigned to a specific party responsible for resolution; once all Contractor-responsible items are resolved, the RAS issues a final DRR

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Contract Closeout - 3rd Notification



What is the relationship between 3rd Note and semi-final documentation?

The RE will issue Third Notification (3rd Note) once the criteria defined in the specifications has been met.

00110.20 **Third Notification** - Written acknowledgment by the Engineer, subject to Final Acceptance, that as of the date of the notification the Contractor has completed the Project according to the Contract, including, without limitation, completion of all minor corrective work, Equipment and plant removal, site clean-up, and submittal of all certifications, bills, forms and documents required under the Contract.

The Final DRR and 3^{rd} Note essentially go hand in hand – The RE has confirmed all outstanding labor (L) documentation has been received and all items listed under 2^{nd} Note have been resolved, as well as confirmation from the RAS that all outstanding Quantity and Quality discrepancies have been resolved.

Issuance of 3rd Note is entirely independent of and should not wait until semi-final documentation (SFD) review by the Contract Administration Unit (CAU) is complete.



Semi-Final Documentation

When should preparation of the semi-final documentation submittal start?

Generally, preparation of the semi-final documentation starts once all Q&Q and L deficiencies are resolved, although there are some documents that can be prepared earlier in the process. The best resources for the RE in regard to preparation of semi-final documentation are:

- Form 734-2706a ~ Semi Final Documentation Submittal for Doc Express projects (aka the "semi-final checklist" which is now combined with the Submittal of Final Project Documentation for Acceptance letter, previously Form 734-5222)
- · Chapter 37 of the Construction Manual
- · RAS and Contract Compliance Specialist

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Semi Final Documentation Submittal

This document includes both the **Submittal of Final Project Documentation for Acceptance** and the **Semi Final Checklist**

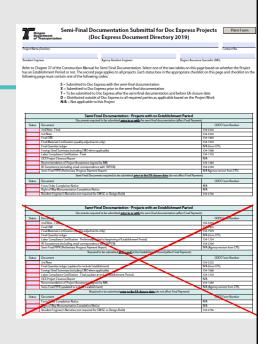




Semi Final Documentation Submittal (Checklist) Semi Final Documents (1st page of checklist)

Projects with no Establishment Period

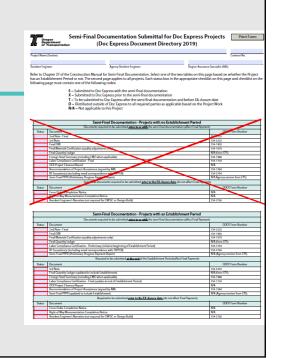
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- ➤ Documents that do not Affect Final Payment
 - ➤ OFW Completion Notice, ROW Monumentation Completion Notice, & RE Narrative
 - ➤ Must be received prior to the EA Closure Date

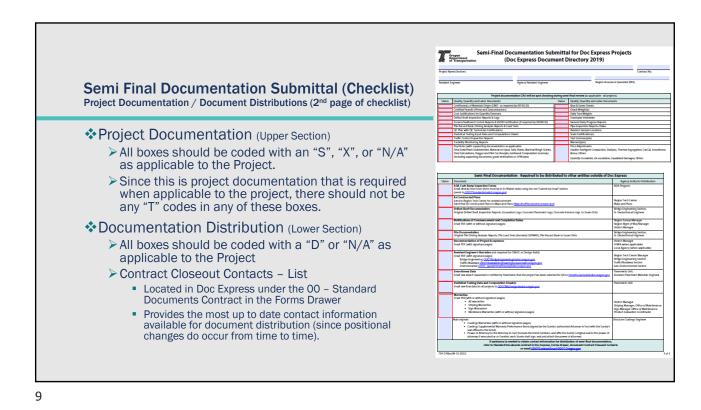


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- Projects with an Establishment Period
 - ➤Only the Lower Section should be completed
 - The upper section should be left blank or coded as N/A.
 - Documents that Affect Final Payment and are required prior to or with the Checklist
 - All boxes should be coded with an "S" or "X" as applicable.
 - Document that Affect Final Payment and are required at the end of the Establishment Period
 - All boxes should be coded with an "S", "X", or T
 - Documents that do not Affect Final Payment
 - OFW Completion Notice, ROW Monumentation Completion Notice, & RE Narrative
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Semi Final Document Work Flow

Submitted by RE Office to ZOOA
Agency Submittal Drawer

Approved by Project RE

Captures RE signature

Indicates to the RAS that the Semi Final
Documentation package is ready for
their Acceptance

Acceptance

Acceptance H RAS's signature

Indicates to the CCS that the Project is ready for CAU Review and Final
Acceptance

Captures the RAS's signature

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Publishing

CAU will publish for data entry and tracking purposes

