



DelDOT – Development Coordination

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Division of Economic Development Coordination

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Announcement from Secretary Hastings

In November 2025, I announced the creation of the Division of Economic Development Coordination (EDC). As noted at that time, this new division will play a key role in strengthening collaboration among DelDOT, our economic development partners, and land use agencies, which is a priority of the Governor. By improving coordination and streamlining processes, EDC will help ensure that our transportation investments effectively support Delaware’s economic growth, business needs, and community development goals. I also announced that Jeff Van Horn was named director of the new division and that the Development Coordination section would move from Planning to EDC.

Today, I am pleased to announce the second and final major step in this reorganization, which fully establishes the EDC division. To further advance the goals outlined above, the three DelDOT Public Works sections—South, Central, and Canal (which covers all of New Castle County)—will transition from Maintenance & Operations (M&O) to EDC. This change is expected to improve collaboration and consistency between staff who review and approve plans and those who administer them through construction.

In addition, the Utility section will transition from DOTS to EDC. This will consolidate all utility coordination within a single division, including both utility relocation coordination for DelDOT projects and the review and approval of proposed utility work through the permitting process.

The combined Public Works and Utility sections—collectively referred to as the EDC Field Operations Section—will report to an Assistant Director, who will in turn report to the Director of EDC. Once the Assistant Director position is filled, the changes described above will be implemented.

We look forward to working with you!

Should you have any questions, please contact the Development Coordination Section at (302) 760-2266 or via email at Subdivision@Delaware.gov.