# Utility Accommodation in District 1 Projects

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# Goal 1:

Improve awareness and compliance with utility policy and permit requirements

### **Objectives:**

- Update the Utility Accommodation and Coordination Policy
- Work with Iowa Onecall to improve utility locates
- Develop a utility construction conflict resolution process

# Goal 2:

Implement a more proactive project development process to avoid, minimize and mitigate the impacts on utility facilities

### **Objectives:**

- Develop pilot projects identification, conflict analysis, and resolution of utility impacts
- Pilot the use of multiduct installations in congested areas
- Pilot digital utility asbuilts on a few contracts for installation of DOT owned utility facilities

### IOWA DOT

### Summary of proposed policy changes

- Point 25 process updates
  - Earlier notification of utilities (10% design/concept)
  - Improved investigation to identify utilities in the project limits
  - · Utilities required to provide location information of their facilities within the project limits to help with conflict avoidance and mitigation
  - Earlier plan submittal to utility companies (30% design / ROW impact buffer)
  - Utilities required to review design conflicts with their facilities and provide one work plan (instead of two) but earlier in the process
  - · Non-compliance better defined as failure to: provide an acceptable work plan in a timely manner as required, failure to adjust its facilities according to the accepted work plan

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### **Utility coordination | U events (proposed)**

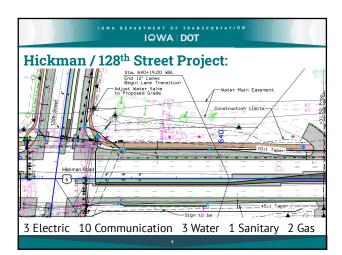
- U00 Investigation (0-10% design completion)
- U01 Notification | Location data request (10% design completion) (60 days to provide)
- U02 Location verification (30 days to provide)
- U03 Preliminary plan submittal (30% design completion) (60 days to provide conflict review)
- U04 Semifinal plan submittal (60% design completion) (90 days to provide relocation work plan)
  - Final plan (if needed significant changes to department plan)
- U05 Agreement (30-60% design completion)
- U06 Notice to proceed (after all approvals)
- U07 Utility bid attachment (relocation status in contract letting docs)

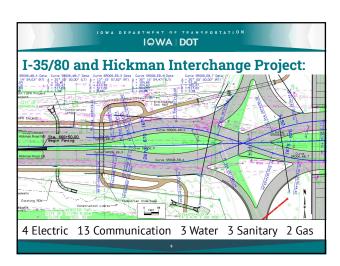
# IOWA DOT Pilot Project Goals Identify Utilities Early in the Process Conduct Notifications Much Earlier Identify Project Utility Corridors By D2 (20%) have a draft relocation plan By D5 (85%) have a final relocation plan Include known property needs in ROW design

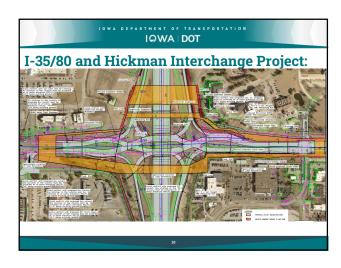
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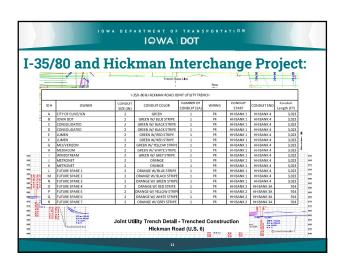
## **Multi-duct installations on D1 Projects**

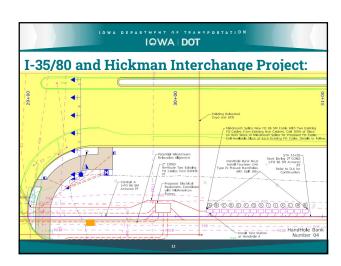
- Projects that have already identified the need for multi-duct installations are:
  - I-80 & Hickman Road (U.S. 6)
  - U.S. 69 Ankeny
- Install multi-duct conduit as part of the project
- DOT pays for the design & installation
- Capture lessons learned



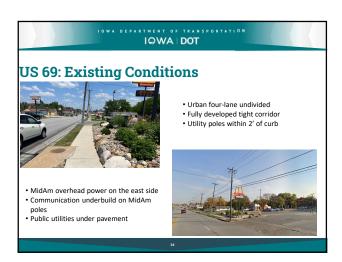


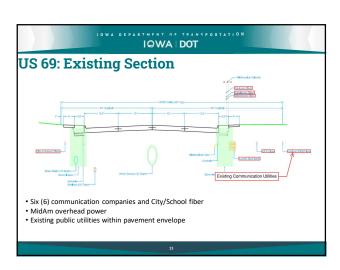


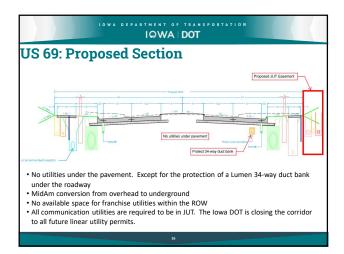


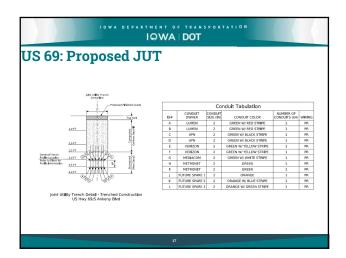


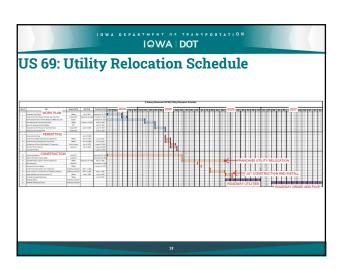












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### **US 69: Advanced Utility Coordination**

- Early and often communication with franchise utilities
- •Individualized meetings with each utility
- Utility's funding mechanism and design development
- Utility's procurement of materials and hiring of a contractor (preferred vendor, bid, etc)
- Utility's duration of installation, scheduling of cutover/splices, and notifications of network disruptions
- Provide a preliminary routing for each utility

Thank you!

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