

FUCC - Standing Committees

In General – The standing committees are used to work on common problem areas that impact the utility/utility and utility/agency working relationship. The objective is to resolve the problems in the most cost effective manner possible and develop recommendations to improve existing policies and procedures that currently impact utilities.

UAM (Utility Accommodation Manual) Subcommittee- This committee is mainly responsible for reviewing the current UAM and work with the FDOT to improve the criteria set forth in the manual. The subcommittee is responsible for developing recommendations and reviewing proposed changes to determine the impact on the utility industry.

Utility Coordination Certificate program- This committee was established to develop a training package that will allow the attendees to learn the overall utility coordination process from both the agency's and the utility's perspective. This is a true cross functional committee with member from various utilities, cities, counties, consultants and FDOT. The main objective is to develop in-depth training modules (Legal, Coordination, Design, Construction and Cost Estimating) with final exams that will ensure that the participant has a good understanding of the course material.

Permitting Subcommittee- This committee has been recently reestablished to investigate the inconsistencies associated with FDOT permit application and approval time frames. Recently the various FDOT maintenance offices have been requesting additional requirements above and beyond the requirements set forth in the UAM.

Conflict Matrix Subcommittee- This committee looking is a cross functional subcommittee consisting of members from the FDOT, consultants and utility industry. Their objective is to develop a standard Utility Conflict Matrix form and policies and procedures for using the form. Currently each FDOT district and consulting firm is using their own version of the form.

FUCC - Utility Interest Groups

In-general – The utility interest group were formed to allow “like Utilities” (power, Telecommunication and Underground) the ability to work on common problems associated with their particular industry

Power Interest Group- This committee looks a problems associated with pole installations, NESC code clearances, setback criteria, pole attachments, etc. These problems relate directly with the criteria set forth in the UAM and other governmental manuals that involve utility installation and coordination procedures.

Telecommunications Interest Group- This group represents our communications industry consisting of telephone, CATV, long distance carriers, data transmission companies. Their main objective is to review policies associated with telecommunication accommodations within public r/w, location of above ground facilities, joint use pole/trenching requirements, etc.

Underground Interest Group- This group consists of underground utilities (water, sewer), telecommunication and power companies, as well as, contractors and damage prevention (Sunshine State One Call) companies. Their main concern is to investigate innovative means of installing their facilities and protecting them from future damage.

