

Vanessa Halladay



Vanessa Halladay is a Senior Project Manager with over 20 years of experience in the environmental management field. Prior to coming to Peak, Ms. Halladay spent almost 16 years with the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) managing large National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) projects; developing and updating guidance, policies, and procedures; managing the statewide NEPA program; overseeing resources specialists in hazardous materials, biology, sustainability, Environmental Justice, social resources, air quality, and noise; overseeing all NEPA classes of action documents and compliance, including mitigation commitment implementation; and working to streamline the NEPA process. She is a recognized expert in transportation NEPA processes and managing large, complex, and controversial NEPA projects that result in high quality documents.

Ms. Halladay is also known for her ability to work with a wide range of people, including the general public; local, state, and federal agencies; interest groups; engineers; and environmental staff. Vanessa excels at bringing engineers and environmental staff together to discuss how they can work together to achieve the best project possible. Ms. Halladay has worked through multiple challenging public involvement processes and is also experienced in various context sensitive solutions processes.

Prior to her time with CDOT, Ms. Halladay managed the environmental and safety programs for the Colorado Springs Airport, which entailed working with airport tenants, airport staff, and others to ensure compliance with all applicable environmental laws and regulations. She also managed a large NEPA document that involved working with Ft. Carson Army Installation, Peterson Air Force Base, CDOT, and the Federal Aviation Administration that had multiple decision documents completed.

Notable projects include I-70 East Final EIS (FEIS) and ROD1, I-70 Floyd Hill to Veterans Memorial Tunnels Environmental Assessment (EA), I-70 Mountain Corridor Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (PEIS), Record of Decision (ROD), 2020 Reassessment, Westbound Peak Period Shoulder Lane Non-Programmatic Categorical Exclusion, US 550/160 South Connection Supplemental Draft/Final EIS and ROD, and Colorado Springs Business Park EA, Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI)-ROD, and FONSI.

Her particular areas of expertise include NEPA process management and documentation, complex air quality analyses, socio-economic considerations, cumulative impacts, environmental justice and equity analysis, mitigation, quality control, context sensitive solutions, and public and agency involvement.