

WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §29-1-15

§29-1-15. Development or improvement on land; State Historic Preservation Office; rules and regulations.

All development or improvement on land, including any disturbance in a right-of-way, construction project, or infrastructure project, subject to review by the State Historic Preservation Office or by any other agency, office, or component of the Division of Culture and History for prehistorical, historical, archaeological, architectural, or cultural value shall be conducted in the most expedient manner possible. The division shall not add any additional impediment to such review beyond those required by applicable Federal laws, rules, and regulations and shall have no authority to comment, regulate, or otherwise cause another governmental entity to comment upon or regulate, that activity, except in consideration for primacy or continued federal funding.

The commissioner shall have the power to make and promulgate rules and regulations in conformity with this section, and the commissioner shall modify, upon the effective date of this legislation, any active rule in conflict with the provisions of this section.