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## Plan Formulation Handbook (2010)

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In Progress        [Kevin Knight](#)

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**Purpose:**            A plan formulation handbook would be an indispensable resource for planners in the field as well as cost sharing sponsors. Far too often, the formulation of project solutions are left in the hands of one or two engineers, who may have a bias towards structural solutions. Many planners are unfamiliar with the variety and breadth of solutions in a study area. The handbook will provide a summary of tools and techniques to be used throughout the formulation process. Much of the information will be gleaned from the Plan Formulation PROSPECT course. Both planners and non-federal sponsors will find utility in it.

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**Objective:**        The plan formulation handbook will not only assist planners in the formulation of projects, but it will also serve as an educational tool.

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**Benefits:**        Use of the handbook by the field will help reduce confusion throughout the formulation process, reducing hardship and time while it may even help improve the quality of the project alternatives.

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**Progress:**        So far, a detailed outline has been created. Over the next several weeks, I hope to write large portions of the document in collaboration with each of the Corps' Centers of Expertise.

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