



**Consolidated Versus Serial Application Processing**

**WHAT IS A CONSOLIDATED APPLICATION?**

Utah Code Section [54-21-302\(9\)](#) allows an applicant to submit what is referred to as a consolidated application within UDOT’s Small Wireless Facilities Program. A consolidated application can include up to 25 sites that are substantially the same, and are *either* all collocation sites or all new/modified pole installation sites. The intent of this law is to reduce the administrative burden associated with submitting multiple siting applications. In other words, it attempts to help ensure an authority’s application process is not overly burdensome or inefficient.

UDOT is working towards developing an online consolidated application process, *but it is currently not available*. Until then, if you prefer a paper-based consolidated application approach please contact program administrators using [this link](#).

**WHAT IS A SERIAL APPLICATION?**

An online application process where each individual pole installation site is submitted independently and receives its own data record. UDOT’s online permitting system is built on a serial application processing model. It is specifically designed for speed and efficiency. Once application attachments are in hand, the actual application process takes *less than* 10 minutes per application.

**ADVANTAGES OF SERIAL APPLICATION PROCESSING:**

Serial application processing currently provides a significant number of benefits over a consolidated application processing approach. Some of these clear benefits include the following:



<b>A</b>	Utilizes an online system*	<b>E</b>	Creates digital archive records
<b>B</b>	Provides 24/7 access	<b>F</b>	Automates shot clock accounting!
<b>C</b>	Includes a digital payment portal	<b>G</b>	Saves time, money, & effort
<b>D</b>	Supports a 100% paperless process	<b>H</b>	Improves overall applicant experience

\*The online system also sends convenient automated status change updates