PROJECT SPECIAL PROVISIONS

ROADWAY

CLEARING AND GRUBBING – METHOD II:

(9-17-02) (Rev 3-18-08) SP2 R01

Perform clearing on this project to the limits established by Method "II" shown on Standard No. 200.02 of the *2006 Roadway Standard Drawings*.

Revise the *2006 Standard Specifications* as follows:

Page 2-2, Article 200-3, Clearing, add the following as the 6th paragraph:

At bridge sites, clear the entire width of the right of way beginning at a station 3 feet back of the beginning extremity of the structure and ending at a station 3 feet beyond the ending extremity of the structure.

BUILDING AND UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK REMOVAL:

(1-1-02) (Rev.6-21-05) SP2 R15 A

Building Removal

Remove the buildings and appurtenances listed below in accordance with Section 215 of the *2006 Standard Specifications* and the following:

Prior to removal of any building, comply with the notification requirements of *Title 40 Code of Federal Regulations*, Part 61, Subpart M, which are applicable to asbestos. Give notification to the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health Epidemiology Branch and/or the appropriate county agency when the county performs enforcement of the Federal Regulation. Submit a copy of the notification to the Engineer prior to the building removal.

Perform removal and disposal of asbestos in accordance with the requirements of *Title 40 Code of Federal Regulations*; comply with all Federal, State and local regulations when performing building removal and/or asbestos removal and disposal. Any fines resulting from violations of any regulation are the sole responsibility of the Contractor and the Contractor agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Department against any assessment of such fines.

The Department has performed asbestos assessments for building items identified below. Copies of this report may be obtained through the Division Right-of-Way Agent. When asbestos is discovered after the opening of bids for the project, the Engineer may have the work performed by others or the cost of asbestos removal and disposal will be paid for in accordance with Article 104-7 of the *2006 Standard Specifications*. When a building has had or will have asbestos removed and the Contractor elects to remove the building such that it becomes a public area, the Contractor is responsible for any additional costs incurred including final air monitoring.

Underground Storage Tank Removal

Prior to removal of any Underground Storage Tank (UST), comply with the notification requirements of the *Title 40 Code of Federal Regulations*, Part 280.71(a). Give notification to the appropriate regional office of the North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources, Division of Waste Management, UST Section. Submit a copy of the notification to the Engineer prior to the removal of the underground storage tank.

Permanently close UST systems by removal and disposal in compliance with the regulations set forth in *Title 40, Code of Federal Regulations*, Part 280.71 and *North Carolina Administrative Code (NCAC)* Title 15A, Chapter 2, Subchapter 2N and any applicable local regulations. Assess Underground Storage Tank sites at closure for the presence of contamination as required in *NCAC* Title 15A, Chapter 2, Subchapter 2N, Section .0803 and as directed by the appropriate Regional Office of the Division of Waste Management. Remove and dispose of UST systems and contents in a safe manner in conformance with requirements of *American Petroleum Institute Bulletin 1604*, Removal and Disposal of Used Underground Petroleum Storage Tanks, Chapters 3 through 6. (Note: As an exception to these requirements, the filling of the tank with water as a means of expelling vapors from the tank as described in Section 4.2.6.1 of *American Petroleum Institute Bulletin 1604*, will not be allowed. Comply with all Federal, State and local regulations when performing UST removal and contaminated material disposal. Any fines resulting from violations of any regulation are the sole responsibility of the Contractor and the Contractor agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Department against any assessment of such fines.

Where underground storage tanks are indicated below, there will be no direct payment for the assessment or closure. When the contract does not indicate the presence of storage tanks and storage tanks are discovered after the opening of bids for the project, the Engineer may have the work performed by others or the cost of assessment, closure, and/or removal will be paid for in accordance with Article 104-7 of the *2006 Standard Specifications.*

Disposition of any contaminated material associated with underground storage tanks will be made as provided in Article 107-26 of the *2006 Standard Specifications*.

Building Removal 1
Line -L- Station 128+00 Rt. at Y-3
Parcel #9
Single Frame Dwelling, Septic System, Well and Pump House

Building Removal 2
Line -L- Station 160+00
Parcel #18A
One Story Modular, Septic System, Two Sheds and a Carport

SHALLOW UNDERCUT:
(9-18-07) SP2 R35 A

Description

Undercut to a depth of 6 to 24 inches and place fabric for soil stabilization and Class IV Subgrade Stabilization at locations shown on the plans or as directed by the Engineer.

Materials

Refer to Division 10 of the *Standard Specifications.*

Item	Section
Select Material, Class IV	1016
Fabric for Soil Stabilization, Type 4	1056

Use Class IV Select Material for Class IV Subgrade Stabilization. If Class IV Subgrade Stabilization does not meet the requirements of Article 1010-2 of the *Standard Specifications*, the Engineer, at his discretion, may consider the material reasonably acceptable in accordance with Article 105-3 of the *Standard Specifications*.

Construction Methods

Perform undercut excavation in accordance with Section 225 of the *Standard Specifications*. Place fabric for soil stabilization in accordance with Article 270-3 of the *Standard Specifications* before backfilling. Backfill with Class IV Subgrade Stabilization by end dumping subgrade stabilization material on the fabric. Do not operate heavy equipment on the fabric until it is covered with Class IV Subgrade Stabilization. Compact subgrade stabilization material to 92% of AASHTO T180 as modified by the Department or to the highest density that can be reasonably obtained.

Maintain Class IV Subgrade Stabilization in an acceptable condition and minimize the use of heavy equipment on subgrade stabilization material in order to avoid damaging the backfill. Provide and maintain drainage ditches and drains as required to prevent entrapment of water in backfill.

Measurement and Payment

Class IV Subgrade Stabilization will be measured and paid for at the contract unit price per ton. The quantity to be paid for will be the actual number of tons of subgrade stabilization material that has been incorporated into the completed and accepted work. The material will be measured by being weighed in trucks on certified platform scales or other certified weighing devices. This work includes but is not limited to furnishing, hauling, handling, placing, compacting and maintaining the subgrade stabilization material.

Undercut Excavation will be measured and paid for in accordance with Section 225 of the *Standard Specifications*.

Fabric for Soil Stabilization will be measured and paid for in accordance with Section 270 of the *Standard Specifications*.

Payment will be made under:

Pay Item	Pay Unit
Class IV Subgrade Stabilization	Ton

FALSE SUMPS:
(7-1-95) SP2 R40

Construct false sumps in accordance with the details in the plans and at locations shown in the plans or at other locations as directed by the Engineer.

Payment for the work of construction of the false sumps will be made at the contract unit price per cubic yard for *Unclassified Excavation* or *Borrow Excavation* depending on the source of material, or included in *Grading-Lump Sum*.

SHOULDER AND FILL SLOPE MATERIAL:
(5-21-02) SP2 R45 C

Description

Perform the required shoulder and slope construction for this project in accordance with the applicable requirements of Section 560 and Section 235 of the *2006 Standard Specifications* except as follows:

Construct the top 6 inches of shoulder and fill slopes with soils capable of supporting vegetation.

Provide soil with a P.I. greater than 6 and less than 25 and with a pH ranging from 5.5 to 6.8. Remove stones and other foreign material 2 inches or larger in diameter. All soil is subject to test and acceptance or rejection by the Engineer.

Obtain material from within the project limits or approved borrow source.

Compensation

When the Contractor elects to obtain material from an area located beneath a proposed fill sections which does not require excavation for any reason other than to generate acceptable shoulder and fill slope material, the work of performing the excavation will be considered incidental to the item of *Borrow Excavation* or *Shoulder Borrow*. If there is no pay item for *Borrow* or *Shoulder Excavation* in the contract, this work will be considered incidental to *Unclassified Excavation*. Stockpile the excavated material in a manner to facilitate measurement by the Engineer. Fill the void created by the excavation of the shoulder and fill slope material with suitable material. Payment for material used from the stockpile will be made at the contract unit price for *Borrow Excavation* or *Shoulder Borrow*. If there is no pay item for *Borrow Excavation* or *Shoulder Borrow*, then the material will be paid for at the contract unit price for

Unclassified Excavation. The material used to fill the void created by the excavation of the shoulder and fill slope material will be made at the contract unit price for *Unclassified Excavation*, *Borrow Excavation*, or *Shoulder Borrow*, depending on the source of the material.

Material generated from undercut excavation, unclassified excavation or clearing and grubbing operations that is placed directly on shoulders or slope areas, will not be measured separately for payment, as payment for the work requiring the excavation will be considered adequate compensation for depositing and grading the material on the shoulders or slopes.

When undercut excavation is performed at the direction of the Engineer and the material excavated is found to be suitable for use as shoulder and fill slope material, and there is no area on the project currently prepared to receive the material generated by the undercut operation, the Contractor may construct a stockpile for use as borrow at a later date. Payment for the material used from the stockpile will be made at the contract unit price for *Borrow Excavation* or *Shoulder Borrow*.

When shoulder material is obtained from borrow sources or from stockpiled material, payment for the work of shoulder construction will be made at the contract unit price per cubic yard for *Borrow Excavation* or *Shoulder Borrow* in accordance with the applicable provisions of Section 230 or Section 560 of the *2006 Standard Specifications*.

ROCK BLASTING: (SPECIAL)

Description

This project special provision governs fracturing rock for excavation and constructing stable rock cut slopes using controlled, production and trench blasting. Controlled blasting is used to form a shear plane in rock at a certain slope by limiting the effects of blasting with presplitting, cushion or trim blasting. The purpose of controlled blasting is to construct stable rock cut slopes without damaging the rock face. Production blasting is used to fracture rock in manageable sizes for excavation. Trench blasting is used to create trenches in rock for utilities and pipes and construct open ditches. This provision also addresses secondary blasting and blasting adjacent to highway structures in lieu of Article 410-11 of the *Standard Specifications*.

Exercise care when using bulk ammonium nitrate and fuel oil (ANFO) near open water to prevent ANFO from leaching into lakes, streams, creeks and rivers. Control blasting to avoid damaging public and private property. Contain flyrock in the construction limits or perform blasting such that no flyrock occurs if required in the "Project Requirements" section of this provision. When blasting in the vicinity of an open travelway, have equipment standing by to remove material that interferes with traffic flow.

Perform rock blasting, develop blast plans, provide explosive materials, drill, load and stem holes, record drilling, conduct blast surveys, monitor blasts and submit drilling records, surveys and reports in accordance with the Contract and accepted submittals.

Project Requirements

At a minimum, conduct pre-blast surveys for any building, residence or utility when the maximum charge per delay (W_{max}) and the distance to the subject structure (D) may result in a peak particle velocity (PPV) equal to or greater than 0.4 in/sec (10 mm/sec) using the formulas in the "Peak Particle Velocity and Scaled Distance" section of this provision.

Blasting is subject to the "USBM Alternative Blasting Level Criteria" from the ISEE Blasters' Handbook, 17th Edition for not-to-exceed limits. Warning levels for vibration are 0.25 in/sec (6 mm/sec) less than the not-to-exceed limits. For air-overpressure (noise), blasting is subject to a not-to-exceed limit of 133 dBL and a warning level of 120 dBL.

Design and perform rock blasting such that no flyrock occurs. If flyrock occurs, the Engineer may suspend blasting operations in accordance with Article 108-7 of the Standard Specifications and require test blasts and a revised general blast plan.

Blasting will be very critical due to the close proximity of populated or sensitive environmental areas, urban or sensitive communities or historic structures. The Contractor should exercise caution and the utmost care when designing and performing blasts in this area.

Definitions

Air-Overpressure or Air Blast (Noise) – The pulsating pressure changes above and below ambient air pressure generated by an explosion. Air-overpressure "linear scale" measurements include low frequency noise with a 2 hertz (Hz) response and are expressed in units of decibels-L (dBL).

Blast Pattern – A plan of blast hole locations or an expression of the burden and spacing distance and their relationship to each other.

Burden – The amount of rock broken by an explosive charge measured as the distance between the blast hole and the nearest free face.

Charge per Delay (W) – The sum of all charge weights firing within any 8 milliseconds (ms) time period. For example, if two 10 lb (4.5 kg) charges fire at 100 ms and one 15 lb (6.8 kg) charge fires at 105 ms, the charge per delay would be 35 lbs (15.8 kg).

Cushion or Trim Blasting – A controlled blasting technique in which a line of blast holes along a rock face are detonated during the last delay period of the blast. The main burden is moved from the face by production blast holes leaving only a small burden to be removed by the line of blast holes at the face. Charges in these holes are lighter than charges in the production blast holes.

Deck Loading (Decking) – A method of loading blast holes in which two or more explosive charges, called decks or deck charges, are loaded in the same hole separated by stemming or an air cushion.

Delay Blasting – The practice of initiating individual explosive decks, blast holes or rows of holes at predetermined time intervals using delays or delay detonators as compared to firing all blast holes simultaneously.

Flyrock – Rocks propelled through the air by the force of an explosion.

Free Face – A rock surface exposed to air or water that provides room for expansion upon fragmentation.

Magazine – Any building, structure or container, approved for storage of explosive materials other than an explosive manufacturing building.

Misfire – An event where all or some charges in a blast fail (do not detonate) when initiated or a term for any portion of explosive materials that fail to detonate as planned.

Peak Particle Velocity (PPV) – The maximum ground vibration velocity measured in the vertical, longitudinal or transverse direction. PPV measurement units are expressed in inches or millimeters per second (in/sec or mm/sec).

Presplitting – A controlled blasting technique that results in continuous or semi-continuous fracture between blast holes.

Scaled Distance (Ds) – A calculated value in units of $ft/lb^{0.5}$ ($m/kg^{0.5}$) describing relative vibration energy based on distance to a structure (D) and charge per delay (W). Ds is equal to D divided by the square root of W, $Ds = D / W^{0.5}$ or $W = (D / Ds)^2$.

Spacing – The distance between blast holes in a row. In production blasting, the distance is measured parallel to the free face and perpendicular to the burden.

Stemming – Crushed stone placed in the unloaded collar area of blast holes for the purpose of confining explosive charges and limiting rock movement and air-overpressure.

Subdrilling – The portion of a blast hole that is drilled below or beyond the desired excavation depth or limit. Subdrilling is generally required to prevent the occurrence of high or tight areas of unfractured rock between blast holes.

Regulations

Comply with all the latest applicable Federal, State and local codes, laws, rules and regulations as well as professional society standards for the storage, transportation and use of explosives. These include but are not limited to the following:

- The Occupational Safety and Health (OSH) Act of 1970 and the Construction Safety Act (CSA) of 1969, as amended
- Safe Explosives Act, Title XI, Subtitle C of Public Law 107-296; Interim Final Rule
- Title 29, U. S. Code, Section 651 et seq., including safety and health regulations for construction
- Title 27, Code of Federal Regulations (27 CFR), Part 555, U. S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF)
- Organized Crime Control Act of 1970, Title XI, Public Law 91-452, as amended
- Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations (49 CFR), Parts 105-177 (DOT RSPA) & Parts 301-399 (DOT FHA)

- Title 29, Code of Federal Regulations (29 CFR), Parts 1910 & 1926, N. C. Department of Labor, Division of Occupational Safety and Health
- The Mining Act of 1971, North Carolina General Statute, Chapter 74, Article 7, as amended
- Fire Code of North Carolina, Section 105.6.15 Explosives
- Administrative Rules, 13 NCAC 06.0521 – 13 NCAC 06.0526, N. C. Department of Labor
- "A Guide to the Safe Storage of Explosive Materials" and "North Carolina Occupational Safety and Health Standards in Construction for Blasting & Use of Explosives", N. C. Department of Labor

Keep a copy of all regulations listed above at the project site.

Non-regulatory Industry Support Organizations:

- Blast Monitoring Equipment Operation Standards (1999), Vibration Subcommittee of the International Society of Explosive Engineers (ISEE)
- Institute of Makers of Explosives (IME) Safety Library Publications (SLPs)

In case of conflict, the more stringent regulation applies.

Submittals

In lieu of a blasting plan in accordance with Article 107-11 of the *Standard Specifications*, the following submittals are required for rock blasting.

- Blasting Contractor Personnel and Experience including Blasting Consultant, if applicable
- General Blast Plan including Blast Monitoring Consultant, if applicable
- Site Specific Blast Plans including Pre-blast Surveys
- Post-blast Reports including Drilling Records, Blast Monitoring Report and Blast Damage Report, when necessary

For the site specific blast plans and post-blast reports, submit two hard copies of each to the Resident Engineer. After completing all blasting for a cut, structure or an excavation, submit electronic copies (pdf or jpg format on CD or DVD) of all site specific blast plans and post-blast reports.

Allow 30 calendar days upon receipt by the Department for the review and acceptance of the Blasting Contractor personnel and experience and general blast plan. Provide these submittals in both electronic and hard copy form in accordance with the following:

Submit one hard copy to the Resident Engineer. At the same time, submit a second hard copy and an electronic copy (pdf or jpg format on CD or DVD) directly to the Geotechnical Engineering Unit at the following addresses:

For projects in Divisions 1-7, use the following Eastern Regional Office addresses:

Via US mail:
Eastern Regional Geotechnical Manager
North Carolina Department of Transportation
Geotechnical Engineering Unit
Eastern Regional Office
1570 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-1570

Via other delivery service:
Eastern Regional Geotechnical Manager
North Carolina Department of Transportation
Geotechnical Engineering Unit
Eastern Regional Office
3301 Jones Sausage Road, Suite 100
Garner, NC 27529

For projects in Divisions 8-14, use the following Western Regional Office addresses:

Via US mail:
Western Regional Geotechnical Manager
North Carolina Department of Transportation
Geotechnical Engineering Unit
Western Regional Office
5253 Z Max Boulevard
Harrisburg, NC 28075

Via other delivery service:
Western Region Geotechnical Manager
North Carolina Department of Transportation
Geotechnical Engineering Unit
Western Regional Office
5253 Z Max Boulevard
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The Engineer may suspend blasting operations in accordance with Article 108-7 of the *Standard Specifications* if submittals are illegible, incomplete or not provided.

(A) Blasting Contractor Personnel and Experience

The Engineer may waive this submittal if a Blasting Consultant is not required and the Blasting Contractor and Blaster-in-Charge for this project were previously accepted within the last year for another NCDOT project with subsurface conditions and blasting of a scope and complexity similar to that anticipated for this project.

Obtain acceptance of the Blasting Contractor personnel and experience before submitting a general blast plan.

(1) Blasting Contractor

Use a Blasting Contractor prequalified by the NCDOT Construction Unit for rock blasting work (work code 070). Submit documentation that the Blasting Contractor has successfully completed at least 5 blasting projects within the last 3 years with subsurface conditions and blasting of a scope and complexity similar to that anticipated for this project. Documentation should include the General Contractor and Owner's name and current contact information with descriptions of each past project.

(2) Blaster-in-Charge

The Blaster-in-Charge has total authority over the handling, use and security of explosives and is responsible for coordinating, planning and supervising explosives use. The Blaster-in-Charge is also responsible for designing blasts and preparing blast plans when a Blasting Consultant is not required and for monitoring blasts when a Blast Monitoring Consultant is not required. Either the Blaster-in-Charge or an alternate Blaster-in-Charge is required to be on-site during blasting.

Submit documentation that the Blaster-in-Charge and any alternate Blasters-in-Charge have a minimum of 5 years experience in blasting with past projects of scope and complexity similar to that anticipated for this project. Documentation should include resumes, references, certifications, project lists, experience descriptions and details, etc. If there is a change in the Blaster-in-Charge, discontinue explosives use until a new Blaster-in-Charge is submitted and accepted.

(3) Blasting Consultant

When a Blasting Consultant is required in the "Project Requirements" section of this provision, use an independent consultant prequalified by the NCDOT Construction Unit for the rock blasting evaluation & design discipline (disc code 00304). Employees of the Contractor, any affiliated companies or product suppliers are not allowed to be independent consultants.

Submit documentation that the Blasting Consultant is registered as a Professional Engineer in North Carolina and has at least 10 years experience in designing blasts and preparing blast plans for projects with subsurface conditions and blasting of a scope and complexity similar to that anticipated for this project. Documentation should include resumes, references, certifications, project lists, experience descriptions and details, etc.

(B) Blast Plans

Blast plans are required to be signed by the Blaster-in-Charge (and Blasting Consultant, if applicable). Review and acceptance of blast plans does not relieve the Contractor of responsibility for the blast results or liability in accordance with Articles 107-11 and 107-12 of the *Standard Specifications*.

(1) General Blast Plan

Submit a general blast plan before beginning drilling, when revised drilling or blasting methods are proposed or as directed by the Engineer. At a minimum, include the following in the plan:

- Work procedures and safety precautions for the storage, transportation, handling and detonation of explosives
- Explosive products and devices for dry and wet blast holes including explosives, primers and detonators with material safety data sheets
- Drilling equipment and methods for maintaining blast hole alignment
- Typical plan, profile and sectional views for both production and controlled blasting showing hole diameter, depth, inclination and spacing, maximum blast limits, burden, subdrill depth and maximum charge per delay
- Initiation and delay methods and delay times
- Site specific blast plan format
- Blast hole drill log format
- Pre-blast survey criteria and method
- Blast monitoring report format and equipment including calibration information
- Post-blast report format
- Blast Monitoring Consultant, if applicable
- Test blast locations when required

Do not deliver explosives to the project site until the general blast plan is reviewed and accepted.

(2) Site Specific Blast Plan

After the general blast plan is accepted, submit a site specific blast plan at least 24 hours in advance of each blast. Site specific blast plans may be waived for non-critical blasts as determined by the Engineer. The following is required for the plan:

- Scaled drawings of the blast area with cross-sections showing the beginning and ending stations, hole diameter, depth, inclination, spacing, burden, subdrill depth and free face location and any joints, bedding planes, weathered zones, voids or other significant rock structure that may influence the blast
- A loading pattern diagram showing the location and amount of each type of explosive including primers and detonators
- The locations and depths of stemming, column heights and maximum charge per delay for each type of loading
- A delay and initiation diagram showing delay pattern, sequence and times
- Pre-blast surveys (once per structure; not required when submitted for a prior blast)

For site specific blast plans do not exceed the maximum charge per delay accepted in the general blast plan or submit a revised general blast plan to increase the maximum charge per delay allowed.

(C) Pre-blast Surveys and Post-blast Reports

(1) Blast Monitoring Consultant

When a Blast Monitoring Consultant is required in the "Project Requirements" section of this provision, use an independent consultant prequalified by the NCDOT Construction Unit for vibration & noise monitoring work (work code 3120). Employees of the Contractor, any affiliated companies or product suppliers are not allowed to be independent consultants.

(2) Peak Particle Velocity and Scaled Distance

Use the following formulas to determine peak particle velocity (PPV) and scaled distance (Ds).

$$PPV = K(Ds)^m \qquad \text{and} \qquad Ds = D / (W_{max})^{0.5}$$

where:
PPV = Peak Particle Velocity (in/sec or mm/sec)
K and m = Site specific constants defining initial energy and decay
Ds = Scaled Distance ($ft/lb^{0.5}$ or $m/kg^{0.5}$)
D = Distance to subject structure (ft or m)
W_{max} = Maximum charge per delay (lbs or kg)

Typically, a K of 240 (1725 for metric units) and an m of -1.6 may be used for the equations above. However, K and m are site specific and may be determined by performing a regression analysis of multiple PPV and Ds data pairs. Select K and m based on actual site conditions, rock type and structure, subsurface information and blast monitoring measurements.

(3) Pre-blast Survey

Conduct pre-blast surveys in accordance with the "Project Requirements" section of this provision and the accepted general blast plan. At a minimum, include the following in the survey:

- Summary naming the person who performed the survey and comments about each structure and existing condition
- Sketches of interior and exterior walls and foundations with existing cracks and a written description of the cracks including the length, width, type and angle
- 4 x 6 inch (100 x 150 mm) color 35-mm or 5-megapixel digital photographs or miniDV or DVD digital video documenting the existing cracks and condition of each structure

Submit pre-blast surveys with site specific blast plans.

(4) Post-blast Report

Within 3 days after each blast or before the next blast, whichever is sooner, submit a post-blast report signed by the Blaster-in-Charge that includes the following:

- Results and effectiveness of the blast and any proposed changes to subsequent site specific blast plans
- Blast monitoring report
- Blast damage report when necessary
- Drilling records including blast pattern and blast hole drill logs

(a) Blast Monitoring

At a minimum, monitor vibration and air-overpressure (noise) at the nearest building, residence or utility and the nearest building, residence or utility in the direction of the blast in accordance with the accepted general blast plan. Furnish seismographs capable of measuring particle velocities in the longitudinal, vertical and horizontal directions. Use monitoring equipment calibrated within one year of the date the data is collected. Interpret the recorded data and submit a blast monitoring report signed by the Blaster-in-Charge (or Blast Monitoring Consultant, if applicable) with the post-blast report that includes the following for each monitoring location:

- Type, identification and specific location of monitoring equipment
- Distance and direction to blast
- PPV in each direction and peak vector sum
- Maximum air-overpressure

If damage occurs from blasting, notify the Engineer immediately. Submit a blast damage report signed by the Blaster-in-Charge (and Blast Monitoring Consultant, if applicable) with the post-blast report that includes the following:

- Property owner's (and injured person's, if any) names, addresses and telephone numbers
- Details and description of property damage (and injury, if any) with photos or video
- Any associated tort claims, complaint letters and other applicable information

(b) Drilling Records

Identify each blast hole with a number on a blast pattern. Log the hole number, total depth, date drilled and the depth and description of significant conditions encountered such as water, voids and weak or jointed seams. Submit the blast pattern and blast hole drill logs signed by the Driller with the post-blast report.

Blast Design Requirements

(A) Vibration and Air-overpressure

Design blasts for the vibration and air-overpressure (noise) warning levels and not-to-exceed limits in the "Project Requirements" section of this provision. If warning levels are exceeded, the Engineer may require additional monitoring and the Contractor should be aware that future blasts could exceed the not-to-exceed limits. If not-to-exceed limits are exceeded, the Engineer may suspend blasting operations in accordance with Article 108-7 of the *Standard Specifications* and require test blasts and a revised general blast plan.

(B) Production Blasts

Design production blasts in accordance with the following unless otherwise approved:

- Maintain a minimum 6 ft (1.8 m) clearance between the production blast holes and final cut slope face
- Diameter of production blast holes may not exceed 6" (150 mm)
- Do not drill production blast holes below the bottom of adjacent controlled blast holes
- Use delay blasting to detonate production blast holes towards a free face

(C) Controlled Blasts

Controlled blasts are required for final cut slopes steeper than 2:1 (H:V) when the height of the rock face exceeds 15 ft (4.6 m).

(1) Presplitting

Presplitting is required for final cut slopes ¾:1 (H:V) or steeper. Design presplitting such that irregularities in the presplit rock face between holes does not exceed 1 ft (0.3 m) and in accordance with the following unless otherwise approved:

- Use presplit blast holes with a diameter of 2 to 3 inches (50 to 75 mm)
- Space presplit blast holes 10 times the hole diameter
- Minimize subdrilling between lifts to only the width of the horizontal offset between lifts
- Do not subdrill below final grade
- Extend presplit blast holes a minimum of 30 ft (9.1 m) beyond the limits of the production blasting or to the end of the cut section
- Bench height or lift thickness may not exceed 25 ft (7.6 m)
- Do not use ANFO or any other bulk loaded products
- Use cartridge explosives or other types of explosives specifically designed for presplitting
- The maximum charge diameter may not exceed one half the diameter of the presplit blast holes except for the charge in the bottom 2 ft (0.6 m) of the holes

- Presplitting may be performed with production blasting provided all presplit blast holes are fired at least 25 ms before the production blast holes

(2) Cushion Blasts

Cushion blasts refer to either trim or cushion blasting. Design cushion blasts in accordance with the following unless otherwise approved:

- Diameter of cushion blast holes may not exceed 6" (150 mm)
- Minimize subdrilling to only that required for excavation of the final cut slopes
- Do not subdrill below final grade
- Bench height or lift thickness may not exceed 25 ft (7.6 m)
- Use a maximum of half the charge density and burden of the production blast holes for the cushion blast holes
- Do not use bulk ANFO or any other bulk loaded products
- Fire cushion blast holes after production blast holes with a minimum 25 ms delay

(D) Trench Blasts

Design trench blasts in accordance with the following unless otherwise approved:

- Diameter of trench blast holes may not exceed 3" (75 mm)
- Do not use bulk ANFO or any other bulk loaded products
- Use cartridge explosives or other types of explosives specifically designed for trench blasting
- Use a charge diameter ½ to ¾ inch (13 to 19 mm) less than the diameter of the trench blast holes

Test Blasts

A test blast is defined as drilling, blasting and excavation of a test section before beginning or restarting full scale blasting. When a test blast is required in the "Project Requirements" section of this provision or as directed by the Engineer, perform one or more test blasts for both production and controlled blasting (presplitting, cushion or trim blasting) or trench blasting before beginning full scale blasting. Submit proposed test blast locations with the general blast plan. Also, if the Engineer suspends blasting operations after full scale blasting has begun, one or more test blasts may be required before resuming blasting. When this occurs, inform the Engineer of the test blast locations before submitting any site specific blast plans.

Perform test blasts in accordance with the submittal, blast design and construction requirements except submit site specific blast plans for test blasts 72 hours before beginning drilling. Full scale blasting may not begin or resume until the test blasts are acceptable to the Engineer. The Engineer will not consider whether a test blast is acceptable until the rock face is exposed and the post-blast report is submitted. Examples of results that may be unacceptable include excessive vibration, air-overpressure or flyrock, overbreakage, damage to the final cut slope face and overhangs.

Construction Methods

Before beginning drilling, conduct a pre-blast meeting to discuss the blasting and monitoring. Schedule this meeting after all blast plans have been accepted. The Resident Engineer, Roadway Construction Engineer, Geotechnical Operations Engineer, Contractor and Blaster-in-Charge (and Blasting Consultant and Blast Monitoring Consultant, if applicable) will attend this pre-blast meeting.

Drill and blast in accordance with site specific blast plans, the general blast plan, and this provision as directed by the Engineer. Use explosives in accordance with all applicable government regulations, professional society standards and manufacturer guidelines and recommendations.

Remove all overburden material along the top of the excavation for a minimum of 30 ft (9.1 m) beyond the blast holes or the end of the cut unless otherwise approved. Inspect the free face to ensure there is adequate burden.

Drill blast holes within 3" (75 mm) of plan location and control drilling to maintain the final cut slope angle. Accurately determine the angle at which the drill steel enters the rock. Alignment is crucial for presplit holes. Drilling will not be permitted if the alignment of presplit holes can not be verified during drilling to the satisfaction of the Engineer. Deviations in presplit holes from the required alignment by more than 6" (150 mm) either parallel or normal to the cut slope are not allowed.

Cover all blast holes after drilling to prevent unwanted backfill and identify and mark each hole with hole number and depth. Blast holes are required to be free of obstructions the entire depth. Load holes without dislodging material or caving in the blast hole wall. Use standard size nos. 67 and 78M in accordance with Section 1005 of the *Standard Specifications* for stemming. Stem blast holes with diameters of 5" (250 mm) or greater with no. 67 coarse aggregate and blast holes with diameters less than 5" (250 mm) with no. 78M coarse aggregate. Do not stem blast holes with drill cuttings. Matting is required when blasting in close proximity to buildings, residences, utilities, traffic and populated areas. Soil cover may be used in lieu of matting if allowed by the Engineer.

Notify all occupants of residences, businesses and structures in the surrounding area and the Engineer at least 24 hours before blasting. Check for misfires immediately after each blast before signaling all clear. Remove any loose, hanging or potentially dangerous conditions by hand or machine scaling methods. Resume drilling only after scaling is complete.

When the height of a cut requires multiple lifts or benches, offset the controlled blast holes for each subsequent lift the minimum distance necessary to allow for drill equipment clearances. Adjust the alignment of controlled blast holes to account for this offset as well as any drift that occurred in the preceding lift.

The Engineer may suspend blasting operations in accordance with Article 108-7 of the *Standard Specifications* when vibration, air-overpressure or flyrock limits are exceeded, unsatisfactory rock cut slopes are produced or other reasons.

Remove all loose material from final rock faces by scaling. The Contractor is responsible for the final rock face. If blasting damages the final rock face, stabilize the slope at no additional cost to the Department with a method proposed by the Contractor and accepted by the Department.

Secondary Blasting

Secondary blasting is used to reduce the size of naturally occurring boulders or those resulting from initial blasting. Secondary blasting methods include block holing or boulder busting. Block holing or boulder busting is the breaking of boulders by loading and firing small explosive charges in small diameter blast holes. Submit a combined general and site specific blast plan for secondary blasting. The Engineer may waive the pre-blast surveys, blast monitoring and post-blast reports at their discretion.

Mud capping, which is defined as placing an unconfined explosive charge in contact with a rock surface without the use of a blast hole and covering it with mud, is not allowed.

Blasting Adjacent to Highway Structures

Do not blast adjacent to highway structures until the concrete strength reaches 2400 psi (16.5 MPa). When blasting adjacent to highway structures, limit PPV to 4 in/sec (100 mm/sec) measured at a location on the structure nearest the blast. Perform blasting adjacent to highway structures in accordance with the submittal, blast design and construction requirements in this provision.

When blasting for foundation excavation, submit a combined general and site specific blast plan and the Engineer may waive the pre-blast surveys, blast monitoring and post-blast reports at their discretion.

Measurement and Payment

Pre-splitting of Rock will be measured and paid for at the contract unit price per square yard (square meter) of rock face presplit. The rock face presplit will be measured along the slope from the toe of the slope to the crest of the presplit line. No payment will be made for unsatisfactory presplitting as determined by the Engineer.

No measurement for rock blasting or scaling will be made. Payment at the contract unit price bid for *Unclassified Excavation* or at the lump sum price bid for *Grading* in accordance with Section 225 or 226 of the *Standard Specifications* will be considered full compensation for all rock blasting or scaling necessary to complete the work in accordance with the contract.

No direct payment for rock blasting will be made for any pipe, utility or foundation excavation. Rock blasting for these items will be considered incidental to the compensation for the required excavation at the various locations. Where no direct payment for excavation is made, the cost

for all rock blasting will be considered incidental to the required work and no separate payment for blasting will be made.

No additional payment will be made or extension of contract time allowed when the Engineer suspends blasting operations and requires test blasts, additional monitoring or submittals in accordance with this provision.

Payment will be made under:

Pay Item	Pay Unit
Pre-splitting of Rock	Square Yard (Square Meter)

ROCK PLATING: (3-18-08)

Description

Construct rock plating in accordance with the contract. Rock plating is required to stabilize slopes at locations shown on the plans.

Materials

Refer to Division 10 of the *Standard Specifications*:

Item	Section
Select Material, Class IV	1016
Plain Riprap, Class 1	1042
Filter Fabric for Rock Plating, Type 2	1056

Use subsurface drainage materials meeting the requirements of Section 815 of the *Standard Specifications*.

Construction Methods

Construct embankments in accordance with the slopes, dimensions and elevations shown on the plans and Section 235 of the *Standard Specifications*. Compact fill slopes to the satisfaction of the Engineer using tracked equipment or other approved methods. Undercut as necessary to install rock plating on cut slope faces or embed rock plating below the ground line.

Do not leave filter fabric uncovered for more than 7 days. Lay fabric smooth and free from tension, stress, folds, wrinkles or creases. Unroll filter fabric down the slope in the transverse direction, i.e., perpendicular to the roadway centerline. Bury fabric at or near the top of slope and embed fabric at the toe as shown on the plans. Filter fabric should be continuous in the transverse direction. However, if fabric length is not sufficient such as at the end of a roll, overlap fabric at least 5 ft (1.5 m) with the upper fabric over the lower. Filter fabric may be discontinuous in the transverse direction only once per roll width.

Overlap adjacent filter fabric in the longitudinal direction at least 18" (450 mm). Use wire staples as needed to hold fabric in place until it is covered. Do not displace or damage filter fabric while placing riprap. When shown on the plans, install a 6 inch (150 mm) diameter perforated subdrain pipe at the toe of slope in accordance with Article 815-3 of the *Standard Specifications*. Place subdrain fine aggregate beneath, around and over the pipe such that it is covered by at least 6" (150 mm) of aggregate. When shown on the plans, place 18" (450 mm) of Class IV Select Material (standard size ABC) over riprap at the top of slope. Compact ABC to 92% of AASHTO T180 as modified by the Department or to the highest density that can be reasonably obtained.

Measurement and Payment

Rock Plating will be measured and paid for at the contract unit price per square yard (square meter). The quantity to be paid for will be the actual number of square yards (square meters) of exposed rock plating including ABC, if applicable, and riprap measured along the surface of the slopes that has been incorporated into the completed and accepted work. No payment will be made for portions of rock plating embedded below the ground line. This work includes but is not limited to furnishing, transporting and placing filter fabric, wire staples, riprap and ABC. No separate payment will be made for undercut excavation to install rock plating on cut slope faces or embed rock plating below the ground line. Undercut excavation will be considered incidental to *Rock Plating*.

Subsurface drainage will be measured and paid for in accordance with Section 815 of the *Standard Specifications*.

Payment will be made under:

Pay Item	**Pay Unit**
Rock Plating	Square Yard (Square Meter)

SOIL NAIL SLOPE STABILIZATION (SPECIAL)

1.0 GENERAL

A. Description

A soil nail is defined as a steel bar grouted in a drilled hole inclined at an angle below horizontal. Soil nail slope stabilization consists of soil nails spaced at a regular pattern and connected to a flexible, steel wire mesh facing. Construct soil nail slope stabilization based on actual elevations and dimensions in accordance with this provision, the accepted submittals and the plans. For this provision, "Soil Nail Slope Stabilization Contractor" refers to the contractor installing the soil nails and applying the facing.

2.0 SUBMITTALS

Two submittals are required. These submittals include (1) Soil Nail Slope Stabilization Contractor personnel and experience and (2) soil nail slope stabilization installation and testing plan. Provide 11 hard copies of working drawings and 4 hard copies of the remaining submittals. Also, submit an electronic copy (pdf or jpeg format on CD or DVD) of each submittal. Allow 10 calendar days for the review of the Soil Nail Slope Stabilization Contractor personnel and experience submittal. After the personnel and experience submittal is accepted, submit the remaining submittals at least 30 calendar days before starting soil nail slope stabilization construction. Do not begin soil nail slope stabilization construction including sacrificial soil nails for verification tests until the installation and testing plan is accepted.

A. Soil Nail Slope Stabilization Contractor Personnel and Experience Submittal

Use a Soil nail slope stabilization Contractor prequalified by the Construction Unit of the Department for anchored retaining walls work (work code 3020). Submit documentation that the Soil Nail Slope Stabilization Contractor has successfully completed at least 5 soil nail retaining wall projects and 500 soil nails within the last 3 years with an exposed face area for all 5 walls of at least 10,000 ft^2 (930 m^2). Documentation should include the General Contractor and Owner's name and current contact information with descriptions of each past project.

Provide the names of the Superintendent and Project Manager that will be assigned to this project. Submit documentation for these personnel verifying employment with the Soil Nail Slope Stabilization Contractor. Submit documentation that the Superintendent and Project Manager each have a minimum of 5 years experience in soil nail construction with past projects of scope and complexity similar to that anticipated for this project. Documentation should include resumes, references, certifications, project lists, experience descriptions and details, etc. Perform work with the personnel submitted and accepted. If personnel changes are required during construction, suspend soil nail slope stabilization construction until replacement personnel are submitted and accepted.

B. Soil Nail Slope Stabilization Installation and Testing Plan Submittal

Submit detailed project specific information including the following.

1. Excavation methods and equipment.

2. List and sizes of proposed drilling rigs and tools, tremies and grouting equipment.

3. Sequence and step-by-step description of soil nail slope stabilization construction including details of drilling and grouting methods, soil nail installation and facing construction.

4. Examples of construction and test nail records to be provided in accordance with Sections 6.0 and 7.0, Item F, respectively.

5. Grout mix design including laboratory test results in accordance with the Grout for Structures Special Provision and acceptable ranges for grout flow and density.

6. Soil nail testing details, procedures and plan sealed by a Professional Engineer registered in North Carolina with calibration certificates within one year of submittal date in accordance with Section 7.0.

7. Other information shown on the plans or requested by the Engineer.

If alternate installation and testing procedures are proposed or necessary, a revised installation and testing plan submittal may be required. If the work deviates from the accepted submittal without prior approval, the Engineer may suspend soil nail slope stabilization construction until a revised plan is submitted and accepted.

3.0 MATERIALS

Provide Type 3 Manufacturer's Certifications in accordance with Article 106-3 of the *Standard Specifications* for soil nail materials.

A. Soil Nails

Store steel materials on blocking a minimum of 12" (300 mm) above the ground and protect it at all times from damage; and when placing in the work make sure it is free from dirt, dust, loose mill scale, loose rust, paint, oil or other foreign materials. Do not crack, fracture or otherwise damage grout inside sheathing of shop grouted encapsulated soil nails.

Use galvanized deformed steel bars meeting the requirements of AASHTO M31, Grade 75 (520) or M275. Splice bars in accordance with Article 1070-10 of the *Standard Specifications*. Minimum bar size allowed will be #6.

Fabricate bar centralizers from schedule 40 polyvinyl chloride (PVC) plastic pipe or tube, steel or other material not detrimental to steel bars (no wood). Size centralizers to position the bar within 1" (25 mm) of the drill hole center and allow a tremie to be inserted to the bottom of the hole. Use centralizers that do not interfere with grout placement or flow around soil nail bars. For encapsulated bars, centralizers are required both inside and outside of encapsulation.

Use grout in accordance with the contract.

B. Wire Mesh, Connectors and Anchor Plates

The mesh shall be woven construction and shall be diamond shaped. The mesh shall be made with 0.118 inches (3-millimeter) diameter wire and the ends of each wire formed into a loop and twisted. The loops of the wire mesh shall be fastened together to prevent

unraveling of the mesh. The wire shall be galvanized high strength alloy steel wire with a minimum tensile strength of 256,000 pounds per square inch (of 1,770 kilonewtons per square meter). The mesh shall have a minimal longitudinal tensile strength of 10,200 pounds per foot (150 kilonewtons per meter) for the 0.118 inch (3-millimeter mesh) and 17,130 pounds per foot (250 kilonewtons per meter) for the 0.157 inch (4-millemeter) mesh.

The wire shall be hot dipped galvanized with Zinc/Aluminum and the minimum weight of the coating shall be 0.49 ounces per square foot (150 grams per square meter). The coating shall be 95% Zinc and 5% Aluminum.

The mesh shall be 3 dimensional. The size of the mesh shall be 83 millimeters (3.27 inches) by 143 millimeters (5.63 inches) (+ 2%) and the depth shall be 15 millimeters (0.59 inches) (+ 1 mm). The mesh shall have 12 meshes per meter in the transverse direction and 7 meshes per meter in the longitudinal direction. The mesh shall be supplied in 3.5 meter (11.5 feet) wide by 30-meter (98.4 feet) long rolls.

Use manufacturer's recommended mesh anchoring plates for attaching the slope to the slope. Use manufacturer's recommended method for attaching overlaps and performing field splices in the mesh material.

4.0 SOIL NAIL SLOPE STABILIZATION PRECONSTRUCTION MEETING

Before starting soil nail slope stabilization construction, conduct a preconstruction meeting to discuss the construction and inspection of the soil nail slope stabilizations. Schedule this meeting after all soil nail slope stabilization submittals have been accepted. The Resident or Bridge Maintenance Engineer, Bridge Construction Engineer, Geotechnical Operations Engineer, General Contractor and the Soil Nail Slope Stabilization Contractor Superintendent, and Project Manager will attend this preconstruction meeting.

5.0 CONSTRUCTION METHODS

Perform all necessary clearing and grubbing in accordance with Section 200 of the *Standard Specifications*. Perform any blasting in accordance with the contract special provisions. Do not excavate beyond the face of the soil nail slope stabilization.

Use equipment and methods reviewed and accepted in the installation and testing plan or approved by the Engineer. Inform the Engineer of any deviations from the accepted plan.

A. Excavation

Construct the soil nail slope stabilization from the top down. Excavate in staged horizontal lifts with heights not to exceed the vertical soil nail spacing. The excavated surface must be to the grades of the project drawings for the slope. Do not excavate the slope more than 3 feet (1 m) below the level of the row of nails to be installed in that lift. Do not excavate a lift until nail installation and nail testing for the preceding lift

are complete and acceptable to the Engineer. After a lift is excavated, clean the cut surface of all loose materials, mud, and other foreign material. The excavated face cannot be unprotected for more than 24 hours for any reason. Prior to advancing the excavation, allow nail grout on the preceding lift to achieve the required 3 day compressive strength.

If the excavation face becomes unstable at any time, suspend soil nail slope stabilization construction and temporarily stabilize the face by immediately placing an earth berm against the unstable face. Soil nail slope stabilization construction may not proceed until the conditions have been reviewed by the Engineer. A revised soil nail slope stabilization installation and testing plan submittal may be required after the slope conditions have been reviewed.

Take all necessary measures to ensure that installed nails are not damaged during excavation. Repair or replace to the satisfaction of the Engineer and at no cost to the Department nails that are damaged or disturbed during excavation.

B. Installation of Wire Mesh and Bearing Plates

Prior to installing wire mesh, excavate depression around each nail location as shown in plans. Install wire mesh in accordance with the drawings and manufacturer's specifications, including any required overlapping.

Following soil installation, connect the bearing plates to the nails as shown on the plans and as directed by the Engineer. Replace bearing plates, nuts or washers that are damaged or defective as determined by the Engineer at no additional cost to the Department. Once the bearing plates and nuts have been attached to the nails, tighten each nut until they have reached a torque reading of 265 ft-lbs.

C. Soil Nail Installation

Install soil nails in the same way as acceptable verification test nails. Drill and grout soil nails the same day and do not leave drill holes open overnight. Install supplemental soil nails, as directed by the Engineer, to a depth of 10 feet beyond the slope face through the wire mesh to improve contact with the slope face.

Control drilling and grouting to prevent excessive ground movements, damaging structures and fracturing rock and soil formations. If ground heave or subsidence occurs, suspend soil nail slope stabilization construction and take action to minimize movement. If structures are damaged, suspend construction and repair structures at no additional cost to the Department with a method proposed by the Contractor and accepted by the Engineer. The Engineer may require a revised soil nail slope stabilization installation and testing plan when corrective action is necessary.

1. Drilling

Use drilling rigs capable of drilling through whatever materials are encountered to the dimensions and orientations required for the soil nail slope stabilization design.

Drill straight and clean holes at the locations shown in the accepted submittals. Drill hole locations and inclinations are required to be within 6" (150 mm) and 2 degrees, respectively, of that shown in the accepted submittals unless approved otherwise by the Engineer.

Stabilize drill holes with temporary casings if unstable, caving or sloughing material is anticipated or encountered. Do not use drilling fluids to stabilize drill holes or remove cuttings.

Using manufacturer approved methods, increase the opening in the wire mesh to allow installation of the soil nail through the mesh.

2. Soil Nail Bars

Use centralizers to center steel bars in drill holes. Securely attach centralizers at maximum 8 ft (2.4 m) intervals along bars. Attach upper and lowermost centralizers 24" (450 mm) from the top and bottom of the bars.

Before placing soil nail bars, allow the Engineer to check location, orientation and cleanliness of drill holes. Provide steel bars as shown in the accepted submittals and insert bars without difficulty or forcing insertion. Do not vibrate or drive soil nail bars. If a bar can not be completely inserted easily, remove the bar and clean or redrill the hole.

3. Grouting

Remove all oil, rust inhibitors, residual drilling fluids and similar foreign materials from holding tanks/hoppers, stirring devices, pumps, lines, tremie pipes and all other equipment in contact with grout before use.

Place grout with a tremie in accordance with the contract and accepted submittals. Inject grout at the lowest point of drill holes through a tremie pipe, e.g., grout tube, casing, hollow-stem auger or drill rod, in one continuous operation. Fill drill holes progressively from the bottom to top and withdraw tremie at a slow even rate as the hole is filled to prevent voids in the grout. Extend tremie pipe into grout a minimum of 5 ft (1.5 m) at all times except when grout is initially placed in a drill hole.

Provide grout free of segregation, intrusions, contamination, structural damage or inadequate consolidation (honeycombing). Cold joints in grout are not allowed except for soil nails that are tested. Extract temporary casings as grout is placed. Monitor and record grout volumes during placement.

Bar threads should be kept clean to allow tightening of the anchor plate and nut.

6.0 CONSTRUCTION RECORDS

Provide 2 original hard copies of soil nail slope stabilization construction records including the following within 24 hours of completing each lift.

1. Names of Soil Nail Slope Stabilization Contractor, Superintendent, Nozzleman, Drill Rig Operator, and Project Manager.
2. Description, county, NCDOT contract, TIP and WBS element number
3. Stations and lift location, dimensions, elevations and description
4. Soil nail locations, diameters, lengths and inclinations, bar types, sizes and grades, corrosion protection and temporary casing information
5. Date and time drilling begins and ends, soil nail bar is placed, grout is mixed and/or arrives on-site, grout placement begins and ends
6. Grout volume, temperature, flow and density records
7. Ground and surface water conditions and elevations, if applicable
8. Weather conditions including air temperature at time of grout placement
9. All other pertinent details related to soil nail slope stabilization construction

After completing all lifts for a soil nail slope stabilization or a stage of a soil nail slope stabilization, submit electronic copies (pdf or jpg format on CD or DVD) of all corresponding construction records.

7.0 SOIL NAIL TESTING

For this provision, "verification tests" are performed on test nails not incorporated into the work, i.e., sacrificial soil nails "Verification test nails" refer to soil nails on which verification tests are performed and "proof test nails" refer to soil nails on which proof tests are performed.

One verification test is required at each soil nail slope stabilization location, or as directed by the Engineer. The Engineer will select the test location in the field. Proof tests on 5 percent of production soil nails with a minimum of 1 test per nail row are required. More or less soil nail testing may be required depending on the subsurface conditions encountered. The Engineer will decide the actual number and specific locations of each verification and proof test required.
Do not test soil nails until grout achieves the required 3 day compressive strength. Do not begin construction of any production soil nails until verification tests are satisfactorily completed.

A. Testing Equipment

Use testing equipment that includes the following.

- 2 dial gauges
- dial gauges rigid supports
- hydraulic jack and pressure gauge
- electronic load cell
- jacking block or reaction frame

Provide pressure gauges graduated in 100 psi (690 kPa) increments or less. Use dial gauges capable of measuring to 0.001" (0.025 mm) and accommodating the maximum anticipated movement. Submit identification number and calibration records for each load cell, jack and pressure gauge with the soil nail slope stabilization installation and testing plan. Calibrate the jack and pressure gauge as a unit.

Align testing equipment to ensure uniform loading. Use a jacking block or reaction frame that does not damage the slope or contact the slope face within 3 ft (1 m) of test nails. Align dial gauges within 5 degrees of the test nail axis. Place dial gauges opposite each other on either side of the test nail. Set up test equipment and measuring devices such that resetting or repositioning the components before completing testing is not required. A load cell is not required for proof tests if the same jack and pressure gauge are used for verification tests.

B. Test Nails

Test nails have both bonded and unbonded lengths. Grout only the bonded length before testing. Minimum bonded and unbonded lengths of 10 ft (3 m) and 5 ft (1 m), respectively, are required.

Soil nail bars for production soil nails may be overstressed under higher test nail loads. Use larger or higher grade steel bars to allow for higher loads instead of shortening bond lengths to less than the minimum. Any costs associated with higher capacity bars will be considered incidental to the soil nail testing pay items.

C. Verification Tests

Install sacrificial soil nails in accordance with the accepted submittals and this provision. Use the same equipment, methods and drill hole diameter for sacrificial soil nails as will be used for production soil nails.

Use the following equation to determine maximum bond length for verification test nails, L_{BVT} (ft or m).

$$L_{BVT} \leq \frac{C_{RT} \times A_t \times f_y}{Q_{ALL} \times 3}$$

Where,

C_{RT} = reduction coefficient, 0.9 for Grade 60 and 75 (420 and 520) bars or 0.8 for Grade 150 (1035) bars,

A_t = bar area (in^2 or m^2),

f_y = bar yield stress (ksi or kPa) and

Q_{ALL} = allowable unit grout/ground bond strength (kips/ft or kN/m).

Use the following equation to determine design verification test load, DTL (kips or kN).

$$DTL = L_{BVT} \times Q_{ALL}$$

Calculate DTL based on as-built bond lengths. Perform verification tests by incrementally loading test nails to failure or a maximum test load of 300 percent of DTL according to the following schedule.

Load	Hold Time
AL*	1 minute
0.25 DTL	10 minutes
0.50 DTL	10 minutes
0.75 DTL	10 minutes
1.00 DTL	10 minutes
1.25 DTL	10 minutes
1.50 DTL	60 minutes (creep test)
1.75 DTL	10 minutes
2.00 DTL	10 minutes
2.50 DTL	10 minutes
3.00 DTL	10 minutes
AL*	1 minute

*Alignment load (AL) is the minimum load required to align testing equipment and should not exceed 0.05 DTL.

Reset dial gauges to zero after applying alignment load. Record test nail movement at each load increment and permanent set after load is reduced to alignment load.

Monitor test nails for creep at the 1.50 DTL load increment. Measure and record test nail movement during the creep portion of the test at 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 10, 20, 30, 50 and 60 minutes. Repump jack as needed to maintain the intended load during hold times.

D. Proof Tests

Use the following equation to determine maximum bond length for proof test nails, L_{BPT} (ft or m).

$$L_{BPT} \leq \frac{C_{RT} \times A_t \times f_y}{Q_{ALL} \times 1.5}$$

Where variables are as defined in Item C of this section.

Use the following equation to determine design proof test load, DTL (kips or kN).

$$DTL = L_{BPT} \times Q_{ALL}$$

Calculate DTL based on as-built bond lengths. Perform proof tests by incrementally loading test nails to failure or a maximum test load of 150 percent of DTL according to the following schedule.

Load	Hold Time
AL*	Until movement stabilizes
0.25 DTL	Until movement stabilizes
0.50 DTL	Until movement stabilizes
0.75 DTL	Until movement stabilizes
1.00 DTL	Until movement stabilizes
1.25 DTL	Until movement stabilizes
1.50 DTL	10 or 60 minutes (creep test)
AL*	1 minute

*Alignment load (AL) is the minimum load required to align testing equipment and should not exceed 0.05 DTL.

Reset dial gauges to zero after applying alignment load. Record test nail movement at each load increment and monitor test nails for creep at the 1.50 DTL load increment. Measure and record test nail movement at 1, 2, 3, 5, 6 and 10 minutes. When the test nail movement between 1 minute and 10 minutes exceeds 0.04" (1 mm), maintain the maximum test load for an additional 50 minutes and record movements at 20, 30, 50 and 60 minutes. Repump jack as needed to maintain the intended load during hold times.

E. Test Nail Acceptance

Test nail acceptance is based on the following criteria.

1. For verification tests, total creep movement is less than 0.08" (2 mm) between the 6 and 60 minute readings and creep rate is linear or decreasing throughout the creep test load hold time.

2. For proof tests, total creep movement is less than 0.04" (1 mm) between the 1 and 10 minute readings or less than 0.08" (2 mm) between the 6 and 60 minute readings and creep rate is linear or decreasing throughout the creep test load hold time.

3. Total test nail movement at maximum test load exceeds 80 percent of the theoretical elastic elongation of the test nail unbonded length.

4. Pullout failure does not occur at the 1.5 DTL load increment or before. Pullout failure is defined as the inability to increase the load while test nail movement continues. Record the pullout failure load as part of the test data.

Maintain stability of test nail unbonded lengths for subsequent grouting. If the test nail unbonded length of a proof test nail can not be satisfactorily grouted after testing, do not incorporate the test nail into the work and replace the nail with another production soil nail at no additional cost to the Department.

F. Test Nail Results

Submit 2 original hard copies of test nail records including load versus movement curves within 24 hours of completing each test. The Engineer will review the test nail records and associated construction records to determine if the test nail is acceptable.

If the Engineer determines a verification test nail is unacceptable, the Engineer may revise the soil nail slope stabilization design and/or installation methods. The Engineer will have up to 10 working days to revise the soil nail slope stabilization design and/or installation and testing plan at no additional cost to the Department.

If the Engineer determines a proof test nail is unacceptable as a result of the contractor's activities, then either additional proof tests on adjacent production soil nails or a revision to the soil nail slope stabilization design and/or installation methods for the production soil nails represented by the unacceptable proof test nail may be required at no additional cost to the Department. If required, remove representative production soil nails and provide new production soil nails with the revised design and/or installation methods at no additional cost to the Department.

After completing all soil nail testing, submit electronic copies (pdf or jpg format on CD or DVD) of all corresponding testing records.

8.0 MEASUREMENT AND PAYMENT

Soil Nail Slope Stabilization will be measured and paid for at the contract unit price per square yard (square meter) of the slope stabilization system measured along the surface of the slope that has been incorporated into the completed and accepted work.

Include in the unit bid price for *Soil Nail Slope Stabilization* all costs for submittals, furnishing labor, tools, equipment and materials, excavating lifts, installing soil nails, grouting, wire mesh and any incidentals necessary to design and construct soil nail slope stabilization in accordance with this provision.

Supplemental Soil Nails will be measured and paid for at the contract unit price per each to construct additional soil nails into the completed and accepted work. Include in the unit bid price all costs for furnishing labor, tools, equipment and materials, installing soil

nails, grouting, and any incidentals necessary to construct supplemental soil nails in accordance with this provision. No payment will be made for supplemental soil nails that are required due to Contractor negligence during excavation.

Soil Nail Verification Tests and *Soil Nail Proof Tests* will be measured and paid for per each, depending on the type of test. Include in these unit bid prices all costs for soil nail testing in accordance with Section 7.0 of this provision. The Department will only pay for the initial verification or proof test on an initial test nail required by the Engineer; no payment will be made for subsequent tests performed on the same test nail or replacement test nails.

Pay Item	Pay Unit
Soil Nail Slope Stabilization	Square Yard (Square Meter)
Supplemental Soil Nails	Each
Soil Nail Verification Tests	Each
Soil Nail Proof Tests	Each

FLOWABLE FILL:
(9-17-02) (Rev 8-21-07) SP3 R30

Description

This work consists of all work necessary to place flowable fill in accordance with these provisions, the plans, and as directed.

Materials

Provide flowable fill material in accordance with Article 340-2 of the *2006 Standard Specifications.*

Construction Methods

Discharge flowable fill material directly from the truck into the space to be filled, or by other approved methods. The mix may be placed full depth or in lifts as site conditions dictate. The Contractor shall provide a method to plug the ends of the existing pipe in order to contain the flowable fill.

Measurement and Payment

At locations where flowable fill is called for on the plans and a pay item for flowable fill is included in the contract, *flowable fill* will be measured in cubic yards and paid for as the actual number of cubic yards that have been satisfactorily placed and accepted. Such price and payment will be full compensation for all work covered by this provision including but not limited to the mix design, furnishing, hauling, placing and containing the flowable fill.

Payment will be made under:

Pay Item	Pay Unit
Flowable Fill	Cubic Yard

PIPE TESTING:
4-17-07 SP3 R33

Revise the *2006 Standard Specifications* as follows:

Page 3-3, Article 300-6, add the following as a new paragraph before **(A)**:

The Department reserves the right to perform forensic testing on any installed pipe.

PIPE ALTERNATES:
(7-18-06) (Rev 4-17-07) SP3 R36

Description

The Contractor may substitute Aluminized Corrugated Steel Pipe, Type IR or HDPE Pipe, Type S or Type D up to 48 inches in diameter in lieu of concrete pipe in accordance with the following requirements.

Material

Item	Section
HDPE Pipe, Type S or D	1032-10
Aluminized Corrugated Steel Pipe, Type IR	1032-3(A)(7)

Aluminized Corrugated Steel Pipe will not be permitted in counties listed in Article 310-2 of the *2006 Standard Specifications*.

Construction Methods

Aluminized Corrugated Steel Pipe Culverts and HDPE Pipe Culverts shall be installed in accordance with the requirements of Section 300 of the *2006 Standard Specifications* for Method A, except that the minimum cover shall be at least 12 inches. Aluminized Corrugated Steel Pipe Culvert and HDPE Pipe Culvert will not be permitted for use under travelways, including curb and gutter.

Measurement and Payment

____ "*Aluminized Corrugated Steel Pipe Culvert* to be paid for will be the actual number of linear feet installed and accepted. Measurement will be in accordance with Section 310-6 of the *2006 Standard Specifications*.

_____ "*HDPE Pipe Culvert* to be paid for will be the actual number of linear feet installed and accepted. Measurement will be in accordance with Section 310-6 of the *2006 Standard Specifications*.

Payment will be made under:

Pay Item	Pay Unit
___" Aluminized Corrugated Steel Pipe Culverts, ___" Thick	Linear Foot
___" HDPE Pipe Culverts	Linear Foot

AGGREGATE BASE COURSE:
12-19-06 SP5 R03

Revise the *2006 Standard Specifications* as follows:

Page 5-11, Article 520-5 Hauling and Placing Aggregate Base Material, 6th paragraph, replace the first sentence with the following:

> Base course that is in place on November 15 shall have been covered with a subsequent layer of pavement structure or with a sand seal. Base course that has been placed between November 16 and March 15 inclusive shall be covered within 7 calendar days with a subsequent layer of pavement structure or with a sand seal.

ASPHALT PAVEMENTS - SUPERPAVE:
(7-18-06) (Rev 12-18-07) SP6 R01

Revise the *2006 Standard Specifications* as follows:

Page 6-2, Article 600-9 Measurement and Payment, delete the second paragraph.

Page 6-12, Subarticle 609-5(C)2, Required Sampling and Testing Frequencies, first partial paragraph at the top of the page, delete last sentence and add the following:

> If the Engineer allows the mix to remain in place, payment will be made in accordance with Article 105-3.

Page 6-12, Subarticle 609-5(C)2, QUALITY CONTROL MINIMUM SAMPLING AND TESTING SCHEDULE

First paragraph, delete and replace with the following.

Sample and test the completed mixture from each mix design per plant per year at the following minimum frequency during mix production:

Second paragraph, delete the fourth sentence, and replace with the following

When daily production of each mix design exceeds 100 tons and a regularly scheduled full test series random sample location for that mix design does not occur during that day's production, perform at least one partial test series consisting of Items A and B in the schedule below.

Page 6-12, Subarticle 609-5(C)2(c) Maximum Specific Gravity, add after (AASHTO T 209):

or ASTM D 2041

Page 6-13, last line and on page and Page 6-14, Subarticle 609-5(C)(2)(e) Retained Tensile Strength, add a heading before the first paragraph as follows:

(i) Option 1

Insert the following immediately after the first paragraph:

(ii) Option 2

Mix sampled from truck at plant with one set of specimens prepared by the Contractor and then tested jointly by QA and QC at a mutually agreed upon lab site within the first 7 calendar days after beginning production of each new mix design.

Second paragraph, delete and replace with the following:

Test all TSR specimens required by either option noted above on either a recording test press or a test press that maintains the peak load reading after the specimen has broken.

Subarticle 609-5(C)(3) Control Charts, delete the second sentence of the first paragraph and replace with the following:

For mix incorporated into the project, record full test series data from all regularly scheduled random samples or directed samples that replace regularly scheduled random samples, on control charts the same day the test results are obtained.

Page 6-15, Subarticle 609-5(C)(3) Control Charts, first paragraph on this page, delete the last sentence and substitute the following:

Denote the moving average control limits with a dash green line and the individual test limits with a dash red line.

Subarticle 609-5(C)(3)(a), (b) and (c), replace (a) (b) and (c) with the following:

(a) A change in the binder percentage, aggregate blend, or G_{mm} is made on the JMF, or,

(b) When the Contractor elects to stop or is required to stop production after one or two moving average values, respectively, fall outside the moving average limits as outlined in subarticle 609-5(C)6 or,

(c) If failure to stop production after two consecutive moving averages exceed the moving average limits occurs, but production does stop at a subsequent time, re-establish a new moving average beginning at the actual production stop point.

Subarticle 609-5(C)(4) Control Limits, replace the first paragraph and the CONTROL LIMITS Table on page 6-16 with the following.

The following are established as control limits for mix production. Apply the individual limits to the individual test results. Control limits for the moving average limits are based on a moving average of the last 4 data points. Apply all control limits to the applicable target source.

CONTROL LIMITS

Mix Control Criteria	Target Source	Moving Average Limit	Individual Limit
2.36 mm Sieve	JMF	±4.0 %	±8.0 %
0.075mm Sieve	JMF	±1.5 %	±2.5 %
Binder Content	JMF	±0.3 %	±0.7 %
VTM @ N_{des}	JMF	±1.0 %	±2.0 %
VMA @ N_{des}	Min. Spec. Limit	-0.5%	-1.0%
$P_{0.075}$/ P_{be} Ratio	1.0	±0.4	±0.8
%G_{mm} @ N_{ini}	Max. Spec. Limit	N/A	+2.0%
TSR	Min. Spec. Limit	N/A	- 15%

Page 6-16, Subarticle 609-5(C)(5) Warning Bands, delete this subarticle in its entirety.

Pages 6-16 through 6-19, Subarticle 609-5(C)(6), delete the word "warning" and substitute the words "moving average".

Page 6-16, Subarticle 609-5(C)(6) Corrective Actions, first paragraph, first sentence, delete and replace with the following:

Immediately notify the Engineer when moving averages exceed the moving average limits.

Page 6-17, third full paragraph, delete and replace with the following:

Failure to stop production when required due to an individual mix test not meeting the specified requirements will subject all mix from the stop point tonnage to the point when the next individual test is back on or within the moving average limits, or to the tonnage point when production is actually stopped, whichever occurs first, to being considered unacceptable.

Sixth full paragraph, delete the first, second, and third sentence and replace with the following:

Immediately notify the Engineer when any moving average value exceeds the moving average limit. If two consecutive moving average values for any one of the mix control criteria fall outside the moving average limits, cease production of that mix, immediately notify the Engineer of the stoppage, and make adjustments. The Contractor may elect to stop production after only one moving average value falls outside the moving average limits.

Page 6-18, Subarticle 609-5(C)(6) Corrective Actions second full paragraph, delete and replace with the following:

If the process adjustment improves the property in question such that the moving average after four additional tests is on or within the moving average limits, the Contractor may continue production with no reduction in payment

Page 6-18, delete the third and fourth full paragraphs, including the Table for Payment for Mix Produced in the Warning Bands and substitute the following:

If the adjustment does not improve the property in question such that the moving average after four additional individual tests is outside the moving average limits, the mix will be evaluated for acceptance in accordance with Article 105-3. Reduced payment for or removal of the mix in question will be applied starting from the plant sample tonnage at the stop point to the sample tonnage when the moving average is on or within the moving average limits. In addition, any mix that is obviously unacceptable will be rejected for use in the work.

Page 6-19, First paragraph, delete and replace with the following:

Failure to stop production and make adjustments when required due to two consecutive moving average values falling outside the moving average limits will subject all mix

produced from the stop point tonnage to the tonnage point when the moving average is back on or within the moving average limits or to the tonnage point when production is actually stopped, whichever occurs first, to being considered unacceptable. Remove this material and replaced with materials which comply with the Specifications at no additional costs to the Department, unless otherwise approved. Payment will be made for the actual quantities of materials required to replace the removed quantities, not to exceed the original amounts.

Page 6-20, Subarticle 609-5(D)(1) General, delete the third full paragraph, and replace with the following:

Perform the sampling and testing at the minimum test frequencies as specified above. Should the density testing frequency fail to meet the minimum frequency as specified above, all mix without the required density test representation will be considered unsatisfactory. If the Engineer allows the mix to remain in place, payment will be made in accordance with Article 105-3.

Page 6-23, Subarticle 609-5(D)(5) Limited Production Procedure, delete the first paragraph including (a), (b), (c) and substitute the following:

Proceed on limited production when, for the same mix type and on the same contract, one of the following conditions occur (except as noted in the first paragraph below).

(a) Two consecutive failing lots, except on resurfacing*
(b) Three consecutive failing lots on resurfacing*
(c) Two consecutive failing nuclear control strips.

* Resurfacing is defined as the first new uniform layer placed on an existing pavement.

Page 6-28, Subarticle 610-3(A) Mix Design-General, fourth paragraph, third sentence:

Substitute 20% for 15%

Fifth paragraph, first, second and third sentences:

Substitute 20% for 15%

Page 6-28, Subarticle 610-3(A) Mix Design-General, add the following as the fourth paragraph:

Reclaimed Asphalt Pavement (RAP) or Reclaimed Asphalt Shingles (RAS) may be incorporated into asphalt plant mixes in accordance with Article 1012-1 and the following applicable requirements.

Page 6-35, Table 610-3 delete and replace with the following:

TABLE 610-3
ASPHALT PLACEMENT- MINIMUM TEMPERATURE REQUIREMENTS

Asphalt Concrete Mix Type	Minimum Air Temperature	Minimum Surface Temperature
ACBC, Type B 25.0B, C, B 37.5C	35°F	35°F
ACIC, Type I 19.0B, C, D	35°F	35°F
ACSC, Type S 4.75A, SF 9.5A, S 9.5B	40°F	50°F*
ACSC, Type S 9.5C, S 12.5C	45°F	50°F
ACSC, Type S 9.5D, S 12.5D	50°F	50°F

* 35°F if surface is soil or aggregate base for secondary road construction.

Page 6-44, Article 610-8 Spreading and Finishing, third full paragraph, replace the first sentence with the following:

Use the 30 foot minimum length mobile grade reference system or the non-contacting laser or sonar type ski *with at least four referencing stations mounted on the paver at a minimum length of 24 feet* to control the longitudinal profile when placing the initial lanes and all adjacent lanes of all layers, including resurfacing and asphalt in-lays, unless otherwise specified or approved.

Page 6-50, Article 610-13 Density Acceptance, delete the second paragraph and replace with the following:

As an exception, when the first layer of mix is a surface course and is being placed directly on an unprimed aggregate or soil base, the layer will be included in the "Other" construction category.

Page 6-53, Article 620-4 Measurement and Payment, sixth paragraph, delete the last sentence.

Page 6-54, Article 620-4 Measurement and Payment, add the following pay item:

Pay Item	Pay Unit
Asphalt Binder for Plant Mix, Grade PG 70-28	Ton

Page 6-69, Table 660-1 Material Application Rates and Temperatures, add the following:

Type of Coat	Grade of Asphalt	Asphalt Rate gal/yd^2	Application Temperature °F	Aggregate Size	Aggregate Rate lb./sq. yd. Total
Sand Seal	CRS-2 or CRS-2P	0.22-0.30	150-175	Blotting Sand	12-15

Page 6-75, Subarticle 660-9(B), add the following as sub-item (5)

(5) Sand Seal

Place the fully required amount of asphalt material in one application and immediately cover with the seal coat aggregate. Uniformly spread the fully required amount of aggregate in one application and correct all non-uniform areas prior to rolling.

Immediately after the aggregate has been uniformly spread, perform rolling.

When directed, broom excess aggregate material from the surface of the seal coat.

When the sand seal is to be constructed for temporary sealing purposes only and will not be used by traffic, other grades of asphalt material meeting the requirements of Articles 1020-6 and 1020-7 may be used in lieu of the grade of asphalt required by Table 660-1 when approved.

Page 6-76, Article 661-1 Description, add the following as the 2nd paragraph:

Provide and conduct the quality control and required testing for acceptance of the UBWC in accordance with "Quality Management System for Asphalt Pavements (OGAFC, PADL, and Ultra-Thin HMA Version)", included in the contract.

Page 6-80, Subarticle 661-3(A) Equipment, add the following as the first paragraph:

Use asphalt mixing plants in accordance with Article 610-5.

Page 10-41, Table 1012-1, delete the last row of entries for OGAFC and add the following:

Mix Type	Course Aggregate Angularity [b] ASTM D5821	Fine Aggregate Angularity % Minimum AASHTO T304 Method A	Sand Equivalent % Minimum AASHTO T176	Flat & Elongated 5:1 Ratio % Maximum ASTM D4791 Section 8.4
S 9.5 D	100/100	45	50	10
OGAFC	100/100	N/A	N/A	10
UBWC	100/85	40	45	10

Delete Note (c) under the Table 1012-1 and replace with the following:

(c) Does not apply to Mix Types SF 9.5A and S 9.5B.

Page 10-43 through 10-45, Subarticle 1012-1(G), delete this in its entirety and replace with the following:

(G) Reclaimed Asphalt Pavement (RAP)

(1) Mix Design RAP

Incorporate RAP from stockpiles or other sources that have been tested for uniformity of gradation and binder content prior to use in an asphalt mix design. Use reclaimed asphalt pavement that meets all requirements specified for *one of* the following *two* classifications.

(a) Millings

Existing reclaimed asphalt pavement (RAP) that is removed from its original location by a milling process as specified in Section 607. Millings should be such that it has a uniform gradation and binder content and all materials will pass a 2" sieve prior to introduction into the plant mixer unit.

(b) Processed RAP

RAP that is processed in some manner (possibly by crushing and/or use of a blending method) to produce a uniform gradation and binder content in the RAP prior to use in a recycled mix. Process RAP so that all materials have a uniform gradation and binder content and will pass a 2" sieve prior to introduction into the plant mixer unit.

(2) Mix Production RAP

During mix production use RAP that meets the criteria for one of the following categories:

(a) Mix Design RAP

RAP contained in the mix design stockpiles as described above may be used in all applicable JMFs. These stockpiles have been pretested: however, they are subject to required QC/QA testing in accordance with Subarticle 609-5(C)(2).

(b) New Source RAP

New Source RAP is defined as any acceptable material which was not included in the stockpile or other source when samples were taken for mix design purposes. Process new source RAP so that all materials have a uniform gradation and binder content and will pass a 2" sieve prior to introduction into the plant mixer unit.

After a stockpile of processed RAP or millings has been sampled and mix designs made from these samples, do not add new source RAP to the original stockpile without prior field testing to insure gradation and

binder uniformity. Sample and test new source RAP before blending with the existing stockpile.

Store new source RAP in a separate stockpile until the material can be sampled and tested for comparison with the original recycled mix design data. New source RAP may also be placed against the existing stockpile in a linear manner provided it is sampled for mix design conformity prior to its use in the recycled mix.

Unprocessed RAP is asphalt material that was not milled and/or has not been processed to obtain a uniform gradation and binder content and is not representative of the RAP used during the applicable mix design. Unprocessed RAP shall not be incorporated into any JMFs prior to processing. Different sources of unprocessed RAP may be stockpiled together provided it is generally free of contamination and will be processed prior to use in a recycled mix. RAP contamination in the form of excessive dirt, debris, clean stone, concrete, etc. will not be allowed. Incidental amounts of dirt, concrete, and clean stone may be acceptable. Unprocessed RAP may be processed and then classified as a new source RAP as described above.

Field approval of new source RAP will be based on Table 1012-2 below and volumetric mix properties on the mix with the new source RAP included. Provided the Table 1012-2 tolerances are met, volumetric properties of the new mix will then be performed. If all volumetric mix properties meet the mix design criteria for that mix type, the new source RAP may continue to be used.

If the gradation, binder content, or any of the volumetric mix properties are not within the allowable tolerances of Table 1012-2, do not use the new source RAP unless approved by the Engineer. The Contractor may elect to either not use the stockpile, to request an adjustment to the JMF, or to redesign the mix.

TABLE 1012-2

NEW SOURCE RAP GRADATION and BINDER TOLERANCES

(Apply Tolerances to Mix Design Data)

Mix Type	0-20% RAP			20^{+}-25 % RAP			25^{+} % RAP		
Sieve (mm)	Base	Inter.	Surf.	Base	Inter.	Surf.	Base	Inter.	Surf.
P_b %	± 0.7%			± 0.4%			± 0.3%		
25.0	±10	-	-	±7	-	-	±5	-	-
19.0	±10	±10	-	±7	±7	-	±5	±5	-
12.5	-	±10	±6	-	±7	±3	-	±5	±2

9.5	-	-	±8	-	-	±5	-	-	±4
4.75	±10	-	±10	±7	-	±7	±5	-	±5
2.36	±8	±8	±8	±5	±5	±5	±4	±4	±4
1.18	±8	±8	±8	±5	±5	±5	±4	±4	±4
0.300	±8	±8	±8	±5	±5	±5	±4	±4	±4
0.150	-	-	±8	-	-	±5	-	-	±4
0.075	±4	±4	±4	±2	±2	±2	±1.5	±1.5	±1.5

ASPHALT BINDER CONTENT OF ASPHALT PLANT MIXES:

(11-21-00) SP6 R15

The approximate asphalt binder content of the asphalt concrete plant mixtures used on this project will be as follows:

Asphalt Concrete Base Course	Type B 25.0__	4.3%
Asphalt Concrete Intermediate Course	Type I 19.0__	4.7%
Asphalt Concrete Surface Course	Type S 4.75A	7.0%
Asphalt Concrete Surface Course	Type SF 9.5A	6.5%
Asphalt Concrete Surface Course	Type S 9.5__	6.0%
Asphalt Concrete Surface Course	Type S 12.5__	5.5%

The actual asphalt binder content will be established during construction by the Engineer within the limits established in the *2006 Standard Specifications.*

ASPHALT PLANT MIXTURES:

(7-1-95) SP6 R20

Place asphalt concrete base course material in trench sections with asphalt pavement spreaders made for the purpose or with other equipment approved by the Engineer.

PRICE ADJUSTMENT - ASPHALT BINDER FOR PLANT MIX:

(11-21-00) SP6 R25

Price adjustments for asphalt binder for plant mix will be made in accordance with Section 620 of the *2006 Standard Specifications.*

The base price index for asphalt binder for plant mix is **$ 740.77** per ton.

This base price index represents an average of F.O.B. selling prices of asphalt binder at supplier's terminals on **September 1, 2008**.

FINAL SURFACE TESTING - ASPHALT PAVEMENTS (Rideability):

(5-18-04) (Rev. 7-15-08) SP6 R45

On portions of this project where the typical section requires two or more layers of new pavement, perform acceptance testing of the longitudinal profile of the finished pavement surface in accordance with these provisions using a North Carolina Hearne Straightedge (Model No. 1). Furnish and operate the straightedge to determine and record the longitudinal profile of

the pavement on a continuous graph. Final surface testing is an integral part of the paving operation and is subject to observation and inspection by the Engineer as deemed necessary.

Push the straightedge manually over the pavement at a speed not exceeding 2 miles per hour. For all lanes, take profiles in the right wheel path approximately 3 feet from the right edge of pavement in the same direction as the paving operation, unless otherwise approved due to traffic control or safety considerations. As an exception, lanes adjacent to curb and gutter, expressway gutter, or shoulder berm gutter may be tested in the left wheel path. Make one pass of the straightedge in each full width travel lane. The full lane width should be comparable in ride quality to the area evaluated with the Hearne Straightedge. If deviations exist at other locations across the lane width, utilize a 10 foot non-mobile straightedge or the Hearne Straightedge to evaluate which areas may require corrective action. Take profiles as soon as practical after the pavement has been rolled and compacted, but no later than 24 hours following placement of the pavement, unless otherwise authorized by the Engineer. Take profiles over the entire length of final surface travel lane pavement exclusive of -Y- line travel lanes less than or equal to 1000 feet in length, ramps less than or equal to 1000 feet in length, turn lanes less than or equal to 1000 feet in length, structures, approach slabs, paved shoulders, loops, and tapers or other irregular shaped areas of pavement, unless otherwise approved by the Engineer. Test in accordance with this provision all mainline travel lanes, full width acceleration or deceleration lanes, -Y- line travel lanes greater than 1000 feet in length, ramps, full width turn lanes greater than 1000 feet in length, and collector lanes.

At the beginning and end of each day's testing operations, and at such other times as determined by the Engineer, operate the straightedge over a calibration strip so that the Engineer can verify correct operation of the straightedge. The calibration strip shall be a 100 foot section of pavement that is reasonably level and smooth. Submit each day's calibration graphs with that day's test section graphs to the Engineer. Calibrate the straightedge in accordance with the current NCDOT procedure titled *North Carolina Hearne Straightedge - Calibration and Determination of Cumulative Straightedge Index*. Copies of this procedure may be obtained from the Department's Pavement Construction Section.

Plot the straightedge graph at a horizontal scale of approximately 25 feet per inch with the vertical scale plotted at a true scale. Record station numbers and references (bridges, approach slabs, culverts, etc.) on the graphs. Distances between references/stations must not exceed 100 feet. Have the operator record the Date, Project No., Lane Location, Wheel Path Location, Type Mix, and Operator's Name on the graph.

Upon completion of each day's testing, evaluate the graph, calculate the Cumulative Straightedge Index (CSI), and determine which lots, if any, require corrective action. Document the evaluation of each lot on a QA/QC-7 form. Submit the graphs along with the completed QA/QC-7 forms to the Engineer, within 24 hours after profiles are completed, for verification of the results. The Engineer will furnish results of their acceptance evaluation to the Contractor within 48 hours of receiving the graphs. In the event of discrepancies, the Engineer's evaluation of the graphs will prevail for acceptance purposes. The Engineer will retain all graphs and forms.

Use blanking bands of 0.2 inches, 0.3 inches, and 0.4 inches to evaluate the graph for acceptance. The 0.2 inch and 0.3 inch blanking bands are used to determine the Straightedge Index (SEI), which is a number that indicates the deviations that exceed each of the 0.2 inch and 0.3 inch bands within a 100 foot test section. The Cumulative Straightedge Index (CSI) is a number representing the total of the SEIs for one lot, which consist of not more than 25 consecutive test sections. In addition, the 0.4 inch blanking band is used to further evaluate deviations on an individual basis. The CSI will be determined by the Engineer in accordance with the current procedure titled "North Carolina Hearne Straightedge - Calibration and Determination of Cumulative Straightedge Index".

The pavement will be accepted for surface smoothness on a lot by lot basis. A test section represents pavement one travel lane wide not more than 100 feet in length. A lot will consist of 25 consecutive test sections, except that separate lots will be established for each travel lane, unless otherwise approved by the Engineer. In addition, full width acceleration or deceleration lanes, ramps, turn lanes, and collector lanes, will be evaluated as separate lots. For any lot that is less than 2500 feet in length, the applicable pay adjustment incentive will be prorated on the basis of the actual lot length. For any lot which is less than 2500 feet in length, the applicable pay adjustment disincentive will be the full amount for a lot, regardless of the lot length.

If during the evaluation of the graphs, 5 lots require corrective action, then proceed on limited production for unsatisfactory laydown in accordance with Article 610-12 of the *Standard Specifications*. Proceeding on limited production is based upon the Contractor's initial evaluation of the straightedge test results and shall begin immediately upon obtaining those results. Additionally, the Engineer may direct the Contractor to proceed on limited production in accordance with Article 610-12 due to unsatisfactory laydown or workmanship.

Limited production for unsatisfactory laydown is defined as being restricted to the production, placement, compaction, and final surface testing of a sufficient quantity of mix necessary to construct only 2500 feet of pavement at the laydown width. Once this lot is complete, the final surface testing graphs will be evaluated jointly by the Contractor and the Engineer. Remain on limited production until such time as acceptable laydown results are obtained or until three consecutive 2500 foot sections have been attempted without achieving acceptable laydown results. The Engineer will determine if normal production may resume based upon the CSI for the limited production lot and any adjustments to the equipment, placement methods, and/or personnel performing the work. Once on limited production, the Engineer may require the Contractor to evaluate the smoothness of the previous asphalt layer and take appropriate action to reduce and/or eliminate corrective measures on the final surface course. Additionally, the Contractor may be required to demonstrate acceptable laydown techniques off the project limits prior to proceeding on the project.

If the Contractor fails to achieve satisfactory laydown results after three consecutive 2500 foot sections have been attempted, cease production of that mix type until such time as the cause of the unsatisfactory laydown results can be determined.

As an exception, the Engineer may grant approval to produce a different mix design of the same mix type if the cause is related to mix problem(s) rather than laydown procedures. If production of a new mix design is allowed, proceed under the limited production procedures detailed above.

After initially proceeding under limited production, the Contractor shall immediately notify the Engineer if any additional lot on the project requires corrective action. The Engineer will determine if limited production procedures are warranted for continued production.

If the Contractor does not operate by the limited production procedures as specified above, the 5 lots, which require corrective action, will be considered unacceptable and may be subject to removal and replacement. Mix placed under the limited production procedures for unsatisfactory laydown will be evaluated for acceptance in accordance with Article 105-3.

The pay adjustment schedule for the Cumulative Straightedge Index test results per lot is as follows:

Pay Adjustment Schedule for Cumulative Straightedge Index (CSI) (Obtained by adding SE Index of up to 25 consecutive 100 foot test sections)				
*CSI	ACCEPTANCE CATEGORY	CORRECTIVE ACTION	PAY ADJUSTMENT	
			Before Corrective	After Corrective Action
0-0	Acceptable	None	$300 incentive	None
1-0 or 2-0	Acceptable	None	$100 incentive	None
3-0 or 4-0	Acceptable	None	No Adjustment	No Adjustment
1-1, 2-1, 5-0 or 6-0	Acceptable	Allowed	$300 disincentive	$300 disincentive
3-1, 4-1, 5-1 or 6-1	Acceptable	Allowed	$600 disincentive	$600 disincentive
Any other Number	Unacceptable	Required	Per CSI after Correction(s) (not to exceed 100% Pay)	

***Either Before or After Corrective Actions**

Correct any deviation that exceeds a 0.4 inch blanking band such that the deviation is reduced to 0.3 inches or less.

Corrective actions shall be performed at the Contractor's expense and shall be presented for evaluation and approval by the Engineer prior to proceeding. Any corrective action performed shall not reduce the integrity or durability of the pavement that is to remain in place. Corrective action for deviation repair may consist of overlaying, removing and replacing, indirect heating and rerolling. Scraping of the pavement with any blade type device will not be allowed as a corrective action. Provide overlays of the same type mix, full roadway width, and to the length and depth established by the Engineer. Tapering of the longitudinal edges of the overlay will not be allowed.

Corrective actions will not be allowed for lots having a CSI of 4-0 or better. If the CSI indicates *Allowed* corrective action, the Contractor may elect to take necessary measures to reduce the CSI in lieu of accepting the disincentive. Take corrective actions as specified if the CSI indicates *Required* corrective action. The CSI after corrective action shall meet or exceed *Acceptable* requirements.

Where corrective action is allowed or required, the test section(s) requiring corrective action will be retested, unless the Engineer directs the retesting of the of the entire lot. No disincentive will apply after corrective action if the CSI is 4-0 or better. If the retested lot after corrective action has a CSI indicating a disincentive, the appropriate disincentive will be applied.

Test sections and/or lots that are initially tested by the Contractor that indicate excessive deviations such that either a disincentive or corrective action is necessary, may be re-rolled with asphalt rollers while the mix is still warm and in a workable condition, to possibly correct the problem. In this instance, reevaluation of the test section(s) shall be completed within 24 hours of pavement placement and these test results will serve as the initial test results.

Incentive pay adjustments will be based only on the initially measured CSI, as determined by the Engineer, prior to any corrective work. Where corrective actions have been taken, payment will be based on the CSI determined after correction, not to exceed 100 percent payment.

Areas excluded from testing by the N.C. Hearne Straightedge will be tested by using a non-mobile 10-foot straightedge. Assure that the variation of the surface from the testing edge of the straightedge between any two contact points with the surface is not more than 1/8 inch. Correct deviations exceeding the allowable tolerance in accordance with the corrective actions specified above, unless the Engineer permits other corrective actions.

Furnish the North Carolina Hearne Straightedge(s) necessary to perform this work. Maintain responsibility for all costs relating to the procurement, handling, and maintenance of these devices. The Department has entered into a license agreement with a manufacturer to fabricate, sell, and distribute the N.C. Hearne Straightedge. The Department's Pavement Construction Section may be contacted for the name of the current manufacturer and the approximate price of the straightedge.

No direct payment will be made for the work covered by this section. Payment at the contract unit prices for the various items covered by those sections of the specifications directly applicable to the work constructed will be full compensation for all work covered by this section including, but not limited to, performing testing in accordance with this specification, any corrective work required as a result of this testing and any additional traffic control as may be necessary.

MASONRY DRAINAGE STRUCTURES:
(10-16-07) SP8 R01

Revise the *2006 Standard Specifications* as follows:

Page 8-31, Article 840-4 Measurement and Payment, add the following at the end of the second paragraph:

For that portion of *Masonry Drainage Structure* measured above a height of 10.0 feet, payment will be made at 1.3 times the contract unit price per linear foot for *Masonry Drainage Structure.*

BORROW EXCAVATION AND SHPO DOCUMENTATION FOR BORROW/WASTE SITES:
(12-18-07) (4-15-08) SP8 R02

Revise the *2006 Standard Specifications* as follows:

Division 2 Earthwork

Page 2-16, Subarticle 230-1(D), add the words: *The Contractor specifically waives* as the first words of the sentence.

Page 2-17, Article 230-4(B) Contractor Furnished Sources, first paragraph, first sentence replace with the following:

Prior to the approval of any borrow sources developed for use on any project, obtain certification from the State Historic Preservation Officer of the State Department of Cultural Resources certifying that the removal of the borrow material from the borrow sources(s) will have no effect on any known district, site building, structure, or object, architectural and/or archaeological that is included or eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places.

Division 8 Incidentals

Page 8-9, Article 802-2 General Requirements, add the following as the 1st paragraph:

Prior to the removal of any waste from any project, obtain certification from the State Historic Preservation Officer of the State Department of Cultural Resources certifying that the deposition of the waste material to the proposed waste area will have no effect on any known district, site building, structure, or object, architectural and/or archaeological that is included or eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places. Furnish a copy of this certification to the Engineer prior to performing any work in the proposed waste site.

Page 8-10, Article 802-2, General Requirements, 4th paragraph, add the following as the 2nd sentence:

The Department's borrow and waste site reclamation procedures for contracted projects is available on the NCDOT website and shall be used for all borrow and waste sites on this project.

ENDWALLS:
(5-20-08) SP8 R25

Revise the *Standard Specifications* as follows:

Page 8-28, Article 838-4 Replace the 1st and 2nd paragraph with the following:

Endwalls will be measured and paid for in cubic yards of concrete or brick that have been completed and accepted. This quantity will be computed from the dimensions shown on the plans or from revised authorized dimensions. Where precast concrete units have been approved and are used in lieu of cast-in-place units the quantity to be paid for will be computed the same as if cast-in-place units were used, as no reduction in pay quantity will be made due to the use of precast in lieu of cast in place endwalls.

Reinforced Endwalls will be measured and paid for in cubic yards of concrete or brick that have been completed and accepted. This quantity will be computed from the dimensions shown on the plans or from revised authorized dimensions. Where precast concrete units have been approved and are used in lieu of cast-in-place units the quantity to be paid for will be computed the same as if cast-in-place units were used, as no reduction in pay quantity will be made due to the use of precast in lieu of reinforced cast in place endwalls.

GUARDRAIL ANCHOR UNITS, TYPE 350:
(4-20-04) SP8 R65

Description

Furnish and install guardrail anchor units in accordance with the details in the plans, the applicable requirements of Section 862 of the *2006 Standard Specifications*, and at locations shown in the plans.

Materials

The Contractor may at his option, furnish any one of the guardrail anchor units.

Guardrail anchor unit (ET-2000) as manufactured by:

Trinity Industries, Inc.
2525 N. Stemmons Freeway
Dallas, Texas 75207
Telephone: 800-644-7976

The guardrail anchor unit (SKT 350) as manufactured by:

Road Systems, Inc.
3616 Old Howard County Airport
Big Spring, Texas 79720

Telephone: 915-263-2435

Prior to installation the Contractor shall submit to the Engineer:

(A) FHWA acceptance letter for each guardrail anchor unit certifying it meets the requirements of NCHRP Report 350, Test Level 3, in accordance with Section 106-2 of the *2006 Standard Specifications*.

(B) Certified working drawings and assembling instructions from the manufacturer for each guardrail anchor unit in accordance with Section 105-2 of the *2006 Standard Specifications*.

No modifications shall be made to the guardrail anchor unit without the express written permission from the manufacturer. Perform installation in accordance with the details in the plans, and details and assembling instructions furnished by the manufacturer.

Construction Methods

Guardrail end delineation is required on all approach and trailing end sections for both temporary and permanent installations. Guardrail end delineation consists of yellow reflective sheeting applied to the entire end section of the guardrail in accordance with Section 1088-3 of the *2006 Standard Specifications* and is incidental to the cost of the guardrail anchor unit.

Measurement and Payment

Measurement and payment will be made in accordance with Articles 862-6 of the *2006 Standard Specifications*.

Payment will be made under:

Pay Item	**Pay Unit**
Guardrail Anchor Units, Type 350	Each

FENCE:
(3-6-06) SP8 R86

Revise the *2006 Standard Specifications* as follows:

Page 8-54, Subarticle 866-3(A), second sentence,

Add *existing fencing* after stumps

STREET SIGNS AND MARKERS AND ROUTE MARKERS:
(7-1-95) SP9 R01

Move any existing street signs, markers, and route markers out of the construction limits of the project and install the street signs and markers and route markers so that they will be visible to the traveling public if there is sufficient right of way for these signs and markers outside of the construction limits.

Near the completion of the project and when so directed by the Engineer, move the signs and markers and install them in their proper location in regard to the finished pavement of the project.

Stockpile any signs or markers that cannot be relocated due to lack of right of way, or any signs and markers that will no longer be applicable after the construction of the project, at locations directed by the Engineer for removal by others.

The Contractor shall be responsible to the owners for any damage to any street signs and markers or route markers during the above described operations.

No direct payment will be made for relocating, reinstalling, and/or stockpiling the street signs and markers and route markers as such work shall be considered incidental to other work being paid for by the various items in the contract.

STEEL U-CHANNEL POSTS:
(7-18-06) SP9 R02

Revise the *2006 Standard Specifications* as follows:

Page 9-15 Subarticle 903-3(D) first paragraph, last sentence, delete the last sentence and add the following:

Use posts of sufficient length to permit the appropriate sign mounting height. Spliced posts are not permitted on new construction.

AGGREGATE PRODUCTION:
(11-20-01) SP10 R05

Provide aggregate from a producer who uses the current Aggregate Quality Control/Quality Assurance Program that is in effect at the time of shipment.

No price adjustment is allowed to contractors or producers who use the program. Participation in the program does not relieve the producer of the responsibility of complying with all requirements of the *2006 Standard Specifications*. Copies of this procedure are available upon request from the Materials and Test Unit.

CONCRETE BRICK AND BLOCK PRODUCTION:
(11-20-01) SP10 R10

Provide concrete brick and block from a producer who uses the current Solid Concrete Masonry Brick/Unit Quality Control/Quality Assurance Program that is in effect on the date that material is received on the project.

No price adjustment is allowed to contractors or producers who use the program. Participation in the program does not relieve the producer of the responsibility of complying with all

requirements of the *2006 Standard Specifications*. Copies of this procedure are available upon request from the Materials and Test Unit.

PORTLAND CEMENT CONCRETE (Alkali-Silica Reaction):
(2-20-07) SP10 R16

Revise the *2006 Standard Specifications* as follows:

Article 1024-1(A), replace the 2nd paragraph with the following:

Certain combinations of cement and aggregate exhibit an adverse alkali-silica reaction. The alkalinity of any cement, expressed as sodium-oxide equivalent, shall not exceed 1.0 percent. For mix designs that contain non-reactive aggregates and cement with an alkali content less than 0.6%, straight cement or a combination of cement and fly ash, cement and ground granulated blast furnace slag or cement and microsilica may be used. The pozzolan quantity shall not exceed the amount shown in Table 1024-1. For mixes that contain cement with an alkali content between 0.6% and 1.0%, and for mixes that contain a reactive aggregate documented by the Department, regardless of the alkali content of the cement, use a pozzolan in the amount shown in Table 1024-1.

Obtain the list of reactive aggregates documented by the Department at:http://www.ncdot.org/doh/operations/materials/pdf/quarryasrprob.pdf

Table 1024-1
Pozzolans for Use in Portland Cement Concrete

Pozzolan	*Rate*
Class F Fly Ash	20% by weight of required cement content, with 1.2 lbs Class F fly ash per lb of cement replaced
Ground Granulated Blast Furnace Slag	35%-50% by weight of required cement content with 1 lb slag per lb of cement replaced
Microsilica	4%-8% by weight of required cement content, with 1 lb microsilica per lb of cement replaced

GLASS BEADS:
(7-18-06) SP10 R35

Revise the *2006 Standard Specifications* as follows:

Page 10-223, 1087-4(C) Gradation & Roundness

Replace the second sentence of the first paragraph with the following:

All Drop-On and Intermixed Glass Beads shall be tested in accordance with ASTM D1155.

Delete the last paragraph.

ENGINEERING FABRICS TABLE 1056-1:

(7-18-06) SP10 R40

Revise the *2006 Standard Specifications* as follows:

Page 10-100, Table 1056-1, replace the values for Trapezoidal Tear Strength with the following:

Physical Property	ASTM Test Method	Type 1	Type 2	Type 3		Type 4
				Class A	Class B	
Typical Applications		Shoulder Drain	Under Riprap	Temporary Silt Fence		Soil Stabilization
Trapezoidal Tear Strength	D4533	*45* lb	*75* lb	--	--	*75* lb

PRECAST DRAINAGE STRUCTURES - MACRO-SYNTHETIC FIBERS

(7-15-08)(Rev 11-18-08) SP 10 R42

Description

Substitute as an option, macro-synthetic fibers in lieu of 4" x 4" W1.4 x W1.4 welded wire fabric reinforcement for selected precast concrete products in accordance with the following requirements.

Materials

Item	Section
Portland Cement Concrete	1077-5

(A) Substitute macro-synthetic fibers only for steel reinforcement with an area of steel of 0.12 in^2/ft or less in the following items:

(1) **Precast Drainage Structure** units in accordance with the requirements of *Standard Drawing 840.45*.

(2) **Precast Manhole 4.0' Riser Sections** in accordance with the requirements of *Standard Drawing 840.52*.

All other requirements, including reinforcement for these precast concrete items will remain the same.

(B) **Submittal** Submit to the Department for approval by the precast producer and fiber manufacturer, independently performed test results certifying the macro-synthetic fibers and the precast concrete products meet the requirements listed herein:

(C) Macro-Synthetic Fibers

(1) Manufacture from virgin polyolefins (polypropylene and polyethylene) and comply with ASTM C 1116.4.1.3.

Fibers manufactured from materials other than polyolefins Submit test results certifying resistance to long-term deterioration when in contact with the moisture and alkalies present in cement paste and/or the substances present in air-entraining and chemical admixtures.

(2) Fiber length - no less than 1-1/2 inch.

(3) Macro-synthetic fibers - aspect ratio (length divided by the equivalent diameter of the fiber) between 45 and 150.

(4) Macro-synthetic fibers - Minimum tensile strength of 40 ksi when tested in accordance with ASTM D 3822.

(5) Macro-synthetic fibers - minimum modulus of elasticity of 400 ksi when tested in accordance with ASTM D 3822.

(D) Fiber Reinforced Concrete

(1) Approved structural fibers may be used as a replacement of steel reinforcement in allowable structures of NCDOT Standards 840.45 and 840.52. The dosage rate, in pounds of fibers per cubic yard, shall be as per recommended by the fiber manufacturer to provide a minimum average residual strength (in accordance with ASTM C 1399) of concrete of no less than that of the concrete with the steel reinforcement that is being replaced, but no less than 5 lbs. per cubic yard. Submit the recommendations of the manufacturer that correlate the toughness of steel-reinforced concrete with that of the recommended dosage rate for the fiber-reinforced concrete.

(2) Fiber reinforced concrete - 4.5% air content, ± 1.5% tolerance.

(3) Fiber reinforced concrete - develop a minimum compressive strength 4000 psi in 28 days.

(4) Workability of the concrete mix - determine in accordance with ASTM C995. The flow time - not be less than 7 seconds or greater than 25 seconds.

(5) Assure the fibers are well dispersed and prevent fiber balling during production. After introduction of all other ingredients, add the plastic concrete and mix the plastic concrete for at least 4 minutes or for 50 revolutions at standard mixing speed.

Measurement and Payment

No separate payment will be made for substitution of macro-fiber synthetic reinforcement for the steel reinforcing. The price bid for the precast units will be full compensation for furnishing and incorporating the macro-fiber synthetic reinforcement.

TEMPORARY SHORING:

(2-20-07) (Rev. 9-25-07) SP11 R02

Description

Design and construct temporary shoring in accordance with the contract. Temporary shoring includes standard shoring, temporary mechanically stabilized earth (MSE) walls and non-anchored temporary shoring. Trench boxes are not considered temporary shoring. "Standard shoring" refers to *standard temporary shoring* and *standard temporary MSE walls*. Notes on plans may restrict the use of one or both types of standard shoring. Notes on plans may also require or prohibit temporary MSE walls.

Unless noted otherwise on the plans, temporary shoring is required as shown on the plans and to maintain traffic. Temporary shoring to maintain traffic is defined as shoring necessary to provide lateral support to the side of an excavation or embankment parallel to an open travelway when a theoretical 2:1 (H:V) slope from the bottom of the excavation or embankment intersects the existing ground line closer than 5 ft from the edge of pavement of the open travelway.

This provision is not applicable to anchored temporary shoring or the installation of pipes, drop inlets and utilities unless noted otherwise on the plans. Provide all shoring submittals before beginning work.

Materials

(A) Certifications, Storage and Handling

Provide Type 7 Contractor's Certifications in accordance with Article 106-3 of the *Standard Specifications* for all shoring materials used with the exception of reinforcing fabrics and geogrids. Furnish Type 2 Typical Certified Mill Test Reports in accordance with Article 106-3 of the *Standard Specifications* for all seam strengths and reinforcing fabric and geogrid properties. Provide minimum average roll values (MARV) in accordance with ASTM D4759 for test reports. For testing reinforcing fabric and geogrids, a lot is defined as a single day's production.

Load, transport, unload and store shoring materials such that they are kept clean and free of damage. Identify, store and handle all geogrids and geotextile fabrics in accordance with ASTM D4873. Geogrids and fabrics with defects, flaws, deterioration or damage will be rejected. Do not leave fabrics or geogrids uncovered for more than 7 days.

(B) Shoring Backfill

Use shoring backfill for the construction of all temporary shoring including backfilling behind non-anchored temporary shoring and in the reinforced zone for temporary MSE walls. Unless backfilling around culverts, use shoring backfill that meets the requirements of Class II Type I, Class III, Class V or Class VI select material in accordance with Section 1016 of the *Standard Specifications* or AASHTO M145 for soil classification A-2-4 with a maximum plasticity index (PI) of 6. For backfilling around culverts, use shoring backfill as defined herein except for A-2-4 soil.

(C) Non-anchored Temporary Shoring

Use steel shapes, plates and piles that meet the requirements of ASTM A36 and steel sheet piles that meet the requirements of Article 1084-2 of the *Standard Specifications*. Use timber lagging with a minimum allowable bending stress of 1000 psi that meets the requirements of Article 1082-1 of the *Standard Specifications*. For standard temporary shoring, use pile sections and lengths and lagging sizes as shown on the plans.

(D) Temporary MSE Walls

Use welded wire reinforcement forms, facings, mesh and mats that meet the requirements of AASHTO M55 or M221. Use connector bars and wires for welded wire wall components and support struts that meet the requirements of AASHTO M32. For standard temporary MSE walls, use wire gauges, strut sizes and welded wire components as shown on the plans.

(1) Geotextile Fabrics

Use geotextile fabrics that meet the requirements of Article 1056-1 of the *Standard Specifications*.

(a) Reinforcing Fabric

The reinforcement direction (RD) is defined as the direction perpendicular to the wall face and the cross-reinforcement direction (CRD) is defined as the direction parallel to the wall face.

Use woven polyester or polypropylene fabric that meets the following properties:

Property	Test Method	Requirement (MARV)
Wide Width Tensile Strength @ Ultimate (RD)	ASTM D4595	Varies – 200 lb/in min
Wide Width Tensile Strength @ Ultimate (CRD)	ASTM D4595	100 lb/in min
Trapezoidal Tear Strength	ASTM D4533	100 lb min
CBR Puncture Strength	ASTM D6241	600 lb min
UV Resistance after 500 hrs	ASTM D4355	70 %
Apparent Opening Size (AOS), US Sieve	ASTM D4751	20 min – 70 max
Permittivity	ASTM D4491	0.20 sec^{-1}

For standard temporary MSE walls (temporary fabric wall) use reinforcing fabric wide width tensile strengths and lengths in the RD as shown on the plans.

(b) Retention Fabric

Retain shoring backfill at the face of temporary MSE walls with retention fabric. Use fabric that meets the requirements of Class 3 and the UV resistance, AOS and permittivity for separation geotextile in accordance with AASHTO M288.

(2) SierraScape Temporary Wall

Use uniaxial (UX) geogrids composed of high-density polyethylene (HDPE) manufactured by Tensar Earth Technologies. Test geogrids in accordance with ASTM D6637. Use connection rods manufactured by Tensar Earth Technologies to transfer the load between the facings and geogrids.

For standard temporary MSE walls (SierraScape temporary wall) use geogrid types and lengths as shown on the plans.

(3) Terratrel Temporary Wall

Use ribbed reinforcing steel strips manufactured by The Reinforced Earth Company that meet the requirements of ASTM A572, Grade 65. Use connector rods that meet the requirements of AASHTO M31, Grade 60 and hair pin connectors that meet the requirements of ASTM A1011, Grade 50. Use bolts, nuts and washers that meet the requirements of AASHTO M164.

For standard temporary MSE walls (Terratrel temporary wall) use ribbed steel strip size and lengths, rod lengths and diameters, hairpin connectors, bolts, nuts and washers as shown on the plans.

Embedment

"Embedment" is defined as the depth of shoring below the bottom of the excavation or the grade in front of the shoring. For cantilever shoring, embedment is the depth of the piling below the grade in front of the shoring. For temporary MSE walls, embedment is the difference between the grade elevation in front of the wall and the elevation of the bottom of the reinforced zone.

Portable Concrete Barriers

Provide portable concrete barriers in accordance with the plans and if shoring is located within the clear zone as defined in the *AASHTO Roadside Design Guide*. Use NCDOT portable concrete barriers (PCBs) in accordance with Roadway Standard Drawing No. 1170.01 and Section 1170 of the *Standard Specifications*. Use Oregon Tall F-Shape Concrete Barriers in accordance with detail drawing and special provision obtained from:

http://www.ncdot.org/doh/preconstruct/wztc/DesRes/English/DesResEng.html

The clear distance is defined as the horizontal distance from the back face of the barrier to the edge of pavement and the minimum required clear distance is shown on the traffic control plans. At the Contractor's option or if the minimum required clear distance is not available, set an unanchored PCB against the traffic side of the shoring and design shoring for traffic impact or use the "surcharge case with traffic impact" for the standard temporary shoring. An anchored PCB or Oregon barrier is required for barriers above and behind temporary MSE walls.

Contractor Designed Shoring

"Contractor designed shoring" is defined as non-anchored temporary shoring or temporary MSE walls designed by the Contractor. Unless prohibited or required, Contractor designed shoring is optional. Contractor designed shoring is required when notes on plans prohibit the use of standard shoring. Non-anchored Contractor designed shoring is prohibited when notes on plans require the use of temporary MSE walls and Contractor designed temporary MSE walls are prohibited when notes on plans prohibit the use of temporary MSE walls.

Before beginning design, survey the shoring location to determine existing elevations and actual design heights. Submit design calculations and drawings including typical sections for review and acceptance showing details of the proposed design and construction sequence in accordance with Article 105-2 of the *Standard Specifications*. Have shoring designed, detailed and sealed by a Professional Engineer registered in the State of North Carolina. Submit 3 hard copies of design calculations and 10 hard copies of drawings and an electronic copy (pdf or jpeg format on CD or DVD) of both the calculations and drawings.

Design non-anchored temporary shoring in accordance with the *AASHTO Guide Design Specifications for Bridge Temporary Works* and temporary MSE walls in accordance with the *AASHTO Allowable Stress Design Standard Specifications for Highway Bridges*. Use the following soil parameters for shoring backfill in the reinforced zone.

Total Unit Weight = 120 pcf
Friction Angle = 30 degrees
Cohesion = 0 psf

Design temporary shoring in accordance with the in-situ assumed soil parameters shown on the plans. Design shoring for a 3-year design service life and a traffic surcharge equal to 240 psf. This surcharge is not applicable for construction traffic. If a construction surcharge will be present within a horizontal distance equal to the height of the shoring, design the shoring for the required construction surcharge. If the edge of pavement or a structure to be protected is within a horizontal distance equal to the height of the shoring, design shoring for a maximum deflection of 3". Otherwise, design shoring for a maximum deflection of 6".

For non-anchored temporary shoring, the top of shoring elevation is defined as the elevation where the grade intersects the back face of the shoring. For traffic impact, apply 2 kips/ft to the shoring 1.5 ft above the top of shoring elevation. When designing for traffic impact, extend shoring at least 32" above the top of shoring elevation. Otherwise, extend shoring at least 6" above the top of shoring elevation.

Standard Shoring

Unless notes on plans prohibit the use of one or both types of standard shoring, standard shoring is optional. Submit a "Standard Temporary MSE Wall Selection Form" for each standard temporary MSE wall location and a "Standard Temporary Shoring Selection Form" for up to three standard temporary shoring locations. Submit selection forms at least 14 days before beginning shoring construction. Obtain standard shoring selection forms from:
http://www.ncdot.org/doh/preconstruct/highway/geotech/formdet/standards.html

(A) Standard Temporary Shoring

Determine the shoring height, traffic impact, groundwater condition and slope or surcharge case for each standard temporary shoring location. Determine the minimum required extension, embedment and sheet pile section modulus or H pile section from the plans for each location.

(B) Standard Temporary MSE Walls

Choose a standard temporary MSE wall from the multiple temporary MSE wall options shown in the plans. Do not use more than one option per wall location.

Step bottom of reinforced zone in increments equal to vertical reinforcement spacing for the wall option chosen. Determine the wall height and slope or surcharge case for each section of standard temporary MSE wall. With the exception of either the first or last section of wall, use horizontal section lengths in increments equal to the following for the wall option chosen.

Standard Temporary MSE Wall Option	Increment
Temporary Fabric Wall	9 ft min (varies)
Hilfiker Temporary Wall	10 ft min (varies)
SierraScape Temporary Wall	18 ft – 7 1/4 in
Retained Earth Temporary Wall	24 ft
Terratrel Temporary Wall	19 ft – 8 in

Determine the appropriate facings and/or forms and reinforcement length, spacing, strength, type, density and/or size from the plans for each wall section.

Construction Methods

When using an anchored PCB, anchor the barrier in accordance with Roadway Standard Drawing 1170.01 and Section 1170 of the *Standard Specifications*. Control drainage during construction in the vicinity of temporary shoring. Collect and direct run off away from temporary MSE walls, shoring and shoring backfill.

(A) Non-anchored Temporary Shoring

Install and interlock sheet piling or install piles as shown on the plans or accepted submittals with a tolerance of 1/2 inch per foot from vertical. Contact the Engineer if the design embedment is not achieved. If piles are placed in drilled holes, perform pile excavation to the required elevations and backfill excavations with concrete and lean sand grout.

Remove grout as necessary to install timber lagging. Install timber lagging with a minimum bearing distance of 3" on each pile flange. Backfill voids behind lagging with shoring backfill.

Perform welding in accordance with the accepted submittals and Article 1072-20 of the *Standard Specifications*.

(1) Pile Excavation

Excavate a hole with a diameter that will result in at least 3" of clearance around the entire pile. Use equipment of adequate capacity and capable of drilling through soil and non-soil including rock, boulders, debris, man-made objects and any other materials encountered. Blasting is not permitted to advance excavations. Blasting for core removal is permitted only when approved by the

Engineer. Dispose of drilling spoils in accordance with Section 802 of the *Standard Specifications*. Drilling spoils consist of all excavated material including water removed from excavations by either pumping or drilling tools.

If unstable, caving or sloughing soils are encountered, stabilize excavations with clean watertight steel casing. Steel casings may be either sectional type or one continuous corrugated or non-corrugated piece. Provide casings of ample strength to withstand handling and driving stresses and the pressures imposed by concrete, earth or backfill. Use steel casings with an outside diameter equal to the hole size and a minimum wall thickness of 1/4 inch.

Before placing concrete, check the water inflow rate in the excavation after any pumps have been removed. If the inflow rate is less than 6" per half hour, remove any water and free fall the concrete into the excavation. Ensure that concrete flows completely around the pile. If the water inflow rate is greater than 6" per half hour, propose and obtain approval of the concrete placement procedure before placing concrete.

Center the pile in the excavation and fill the excavation with Class A concrete in accordance with Section 1000 of the *Standard Specifications* except as modified herein. Provide concrete with a slump of 6 to 8 inches. Use an approved high-range water reducer to achieve this slump. Place concrete in a continuous manner to the bottom of shoring or the elevations shown on the accepted submittals. Fill the remainder of the excavation with a lean sand grout and remove all casings.

(B) Temporary MSE Walls

The Engineer may require a wall preconstruction meeting to discuss the construction and inspection of the temporary MSE walls. If required, conduct the meeting with the Site Superintendent, the Resident or Bridge Maintenance Engineer, the Bridge Construction Engineer and the Geotechnical Operations Engineer before beginning wall construction.

Perform all necessary clearing and grubbing in accordance with Section 200 of the *Standard Specifications*. Excavate as necessary as shown on the plans or accepted submittals. Notify the Engineer when foundation excavation is complete. Do not place shoring backfill or first reinforcement layer until obtaining approval of the excavation depth and foundation material.

If applicable, install foundations located within the reinforced zone in accordance with the plans or accepted submittals.

Erect and maintain facings and forms as shown on the plans or accepted submittals. Stagger vertical joints of facings and forms to create a running bond when possible unless shown otherwise on the plans or accepted submittals.

Place facings and forms as near to vertical as possible with no negative batter. Construct temporary MSE walls with a vertical and horizontal tolerance of 3" when measured with a 10 ft straight edge and an overall vertical plumbness (batter) and horizontal alignment of less than 6".

Place reinforcement at locations and elevations shown on the plans or accepted submittals and in slight tension free of kinks, folds, wrinkles or creases. Repair or replace any damaged reinforcement. Contact the Engineer when existing or future structures such as foundations, pavements, pipes, inlets or utilities will interfere with reinforcement. To avoid structures, deflect, skew and modify reinforcement.

Do not splice reinforcement in the reinforcement direction (RD), i.e., parallel to the wall face. Seams are allowed in the cross-reinforcement direction (CRD). Bond or sew adjacent reinforcing fabric together or overlap fabric a minimum of 18" with seams oriented perpendicular to the wall face.

Place shoring backfill in 8 to 10 inch thick lifts and compact in accordance with Subarticle 235-4(C) of the *Standard Specifications*. Use only hand operated compaction equipment within 3 ft of the wall face. Do not damage reinforcement when placing and compacting shoring backfill. End dumping directly on the reinforcement is not permitted. Do not operate heavy equipment on reinforcement until it is covered with at least 10" of shoring backfill. Do not use sheepsfoot, grid rollers or other types of compaction equipment with feet.

Cover reinforcing and retention fabric with at least 3" of shoring backfill. Place top reinforcement layer between 4 and 24 inches below top of wall as shown on the plans or accepted submittals.

Bench temporary MSE walls into the sides of excavations where applicable. If the top of wall is within 5 ft of finished grade, remove top form or facing and incorporate the top reinforcement layer into the fill when placing fill in front of the wall. Temporary MSE walls remain in place permanently unless required otherwise.

Measurement and Payment

Temporary Shoring will be measured and paid for at the contract unit price per square foot of exposed face area at locations shown on the plans or required by the Engineer. For temporary MSE walls, the wall height will be measured as the difference between the top and bottom of wall and does not include the embedded portions of the wall or any pavement thickness above the wall. For all other temporary shoring, the shoring height will be measured as the difference between the top and bottom of shoring elevation. The bottom of shoring elevation is defined as where the grade intersects the front face of the shoring. The top of shoring elevation is defined as where the grade intersects the back face of the shoring. No payment will be made for any extension of shoring above the top of shoring or any embedment below the bottom of shoring. Such price and payment will be full compensation for furnishing all labor, tools, equipment, materials and all incidentals necessary to design and install the temporary shoring and complete the work as described in this provision.

No payment will be made for temporary shoring not shown on the plans or required by the Engineer including shoring for OSHA reasons or the Contractor's convenience. No value engineering proposals will be accepted based solely on revising or eliminating the shoring locations shown on the plans or the estimated quantities shown in the bid item sheets as a result of actual field measurements or site conditions.

No additional payment will be made for anchoring PCBs or providing Oregon barriers in lieu of unanchored PCBs. Additional costs for anchoring PCBs or providing Oregon barriers will be considered incidental to *Temporary Shoring*.

Payment will be made under:

Pay Item	**Pay Unit**
Temporary Shoring	Square Foot

CHANGEABLE MESSAGE SIGNS:
(11-21-06) SP11 R11

Revise the *2006 Standard Specifications* as follows:

Page 11-9, Article 1120-3, Replace the 3rd sentence with the following:

Sign operator will adjust flash rate so that no more than two messages will be displayed and be legible to a driver when approaching the sign at the posted speed.

PAVEMENT MARKING LINES:
(11-21-06) (Rev. 9-18-07) SP12 R01

Revise the *2006 Standard Specifications* as follows:

Page 12-2, 1205-3(D) Time Limitations for Replacement, add the following at the beginning of the chart:

Facility Type	Marking Type	Replacement Deadline
Full-control-of-access multi-lane roadway (4 or more total lanes) and ramps, including Interstates	All markings including symbols	By the end of each workday's operation if the lane is opened to traffic

Page 12-14, Subarticle 1205-10, Measurement and Payment, delete the first sentence of the first paragraph and replace with the following:

Pavement Marking Lines will be measured and paid for as the actual number of linear feet of pavement marking lines per application that has been satisfactorily placed and accepted by the Engineer.

PERMANENT SEEDING AND MULCHING:

(7-1-95) SP16 R01

The Department desires that permanent seeding and mulching be established on this project as soon as practical after slopes or portions of slopes have been graded. As an incentive to obtain an early stand of vegetation on this project, the Contractor's attention is called to the following:

For all permanent seeding and mulching that is satisfactorily completed in accordance with the requirements of Section 1660, Seeding and Mulching, and within the following percentages of elapsed contract times, an additional payment will be made to the Contractor as an incentive additive. The incentive additive will be determined by multiplying the number of acres of seeding and mulching satisfactorily completed times the contract unit bid price per acre for Seeding and Mulching times the appropriate percentage additive.

Percentage of Elapsed Contract Time	Percentage Additive
0% - 30%	30%
30.01% - 50%	15%

Percentage of elapsed contract time is defined as the number of calendar days from the date of availability of the contract to the date the permanent seeding and mulching is acceptably completed divided by the total original contract time.