

**Project Special Provisions
Structures**

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PROJECT SPECIAL PROVISIONS
STRUCTURES

PROJECT R-0505

HENDERSON COUNTY

MAINTENANCE AND PROTECTION OF TRAFFIC
BENEATH PROPOSED STRUCTURE AT STATION 780+05.14-L-

(8-13-04)

1.0 GENERAL

Maintain traffic on US-17 as shown in Traffic Control Plans and as directed by the Engineer.

Provide a minimum temporary vertical clearance of 15'-9" at all times during construction.

Submit plans and calculations for review and approval for protecting traffic and bracing girders, as described herein, at the above station before beginning work at this location. Have the drawings and design calculations prepared, signed, and sealed by a North Carolina Registered Professional Engineer. The approval of the Engineer will not relieve the Contractor of the responsibility for the safety of the method or equipment.

2.0 PROTECTION OF TRAFFIC

Protect traffic from any operation that affords the opportunity for construction materials, equipment, tools, etc. to be dropped into the path of traffic beneath the structure. Based on Contractor means and methods determine and clearly define all dead and live loads for this system, which, at a minimum, shall be installed between beams or girders over any travelway or shoulder area where traffic is maintained. Install the protective system before beginning any construction operations over traffic. In addition, for these same areas, keep the overhang falsework in place until after the rails have been poured.

3.0 BRACING GIRDERS

Brace girders to resist wind forces, weight of forms and other temporary loads, especially those eccentric to the vertical axis of the member during all stages of erection and construction. Before casting of intermediate diaphragms, decks, or connecting steel diaphragms do not allow the horizontal movement of girders to exceed ½ inch (13mm).

4.0 BASIS OF PAYMENT

Payment at the contract unit prices for the various pay items will be full compensation for the above work.

POT BEARINGS

(6-07-05)

1.0 GENERAL

This item consists of furnishing, fabrication and installation of pot bearings in accordance with AASHTO Standard Specifications, the Standard Specifications, the recommendations of the manufacturer and the details shown on the plans and as specified herein.

Fixed pot bearings consist of a sole plate, a disc of elastomer in a steel cylinder with a snug fitting steel piston, masonry plate, anchor bolts, nuts and washers. Expansion pot bearings consist of a sole plate, a top steel plate with a polished stainless steel sheet facing bearing on a fixed pot bearing with a layer of virgin polytetrafluoroethylene (PTFE) material on its top, masonry plate, anchor bolt assembly which includes anchor bolts, nuts, washers, pipe sleeves, a closure plate, grout and various sizes of standard pipe and any other necessary material as detailed on the plans.

2.0 MATERIALS

Use pot bearings produced by the same manufacturer.

Use AASHTO M270 Grade 50W (345W) for all steel in the pot bearings. Clean, coat, and seal the plates in the pot bearing assemblies except for the areas with special facings and the internal surfaces of pot, in accordance with the Special Provision for "Thermal Sprayed Coatings (Metallization)". Metallization of the internal surfaces of the pot is permitted provided these surfaces are then polished to a surface smoother than 63 micro inches (0.0016 mm) root mean square. Coat surfaces to a thickness of 8 mils (0.200 mm) minimum on all external parts. Repair surfaces that are abraded or damaged after the application of metallizing in accordance with the Special Provision for "Thermal Sprayed Coatings (Metallization)".

Galvanize all fill plates specified on the plans. Provide anchor bolts and nuts in accordance with the Standard Specifications.

When the maximum plan dimension of the sheet is 12" (300 mm) or less, provide a stainless steel sheet in expansion pot bearings that is at least 16 gage or 1/16" (1.6 mm). When the maximum plan dimension is greater than 12" (300 mm), provide a stainless steel sheet that is at least 11 gage or 1/8" (3 mm). Ensure that all stainless steel sheets are in conformance with ASTM A240/A167 Type 304 and polished to a minimum #8 mirror surface finish.

Blast clean the surface of the plate that will be attached to the stainless sheet to a near white condition in accordance with the Standard Specifications. Position and clamp the back of the stainless sheet that is to be in contact with the steel plate on the steel plate. Apply the stainless steel to the blast cleaned surface of the steel plate as soon as possible after blasting and before any visible oxidation of the blast cleaned surface occurs. Weld the stainless sheet continuously around its perimeter using a tungsten inert gas, wire-fed welder.

For the PTFE sheet, used as a mating surface for the stainless sheet, provide an unfilled virgin PTFE Sheet (Recessed) or a glass-fiber filled PTFE sheet, resulting from skiving billets formed under hydraulic pressure and heat. Provide resin that conforms to the requirements of ASTM D4894 or D4895.

To bond the PTFE and the piston, use heat cured high temperature epoxy capable of withstanding temperature of -320°F to 500°F (-195°C to 260°C).

Provide a neoprene or natural rubber elastomer with a durometer hardness of 50 that allows for a minimum rotation of 0.02 radians. Place a 1/64" (0.4 mm) thick unfilled PTFE disc on either side of the elastomer inside the bearing. Use a brass sealing ring with the neoprene or natural rubber elastomer.

3.0 DESIGN

Have the manufacturer design the pot bearings for the loads and movements shown on the contract plans. However, use the anchor bolt size, length, spacing and masonry plate thickness as shown on the contract plans and provide an overall height of the bearing assembly that is at least the height shown on the contract plans, but no more than 1/2 inch (13 mm) greater than this height. Either combine, cast as a single piece, or weld together the sole plate and top plate/piston and the cylinder with the masonry plate.

When designing the bearings, use the following allowable bearing stresses:

- On confined elastomer: 3500 psi (24.1 MPa)
- On PTFE Sliding Surface, filled or unfilled PTFE (recessed): 3500 psi (24.1 MPa)

Submit eight sets of shop drawings and one set of design calculations for review, comments and acceptance. Have a North Carolina Registered Professional Engineer check and seal the shop drawings and design calculations.

After the Engineer reviews the drawings and, if necessary, corrections are made, submit one 22" x 34" reproducible set of the working drawings.

4.0 SAMPLING AND TESTING

A. Sampling

The manufacturer is responsible for randomly selecting and testing sample bearings from completed lots of bearings. The manufacturer is also responsible for certifying that the completed bearings and their components have been tested and are in compliance with the requirements of this Special Provision. Have the manufacturer furnish the results of the tests to the Materials and Tests Engineer.

B. Testing

1. Proof Load Test

Load a test bearing to 150% of the bearing's rated design capacity and simultaneously subject it to a rotational range of 0.02 radians (1.146°) for a period of 1 hour.

Have the bearing visually examined both during the test and upon disassembly after the test. Any resultant visual defects, such as extruded or deformed elastomer or PTFE, damaged seals or rings, or cracked steel is cause for rejection.

Keep the steel bearing plate and steel piston in continuous and uniform contact for the duration of the test. Any observed lift-off is cause for rejection.

2. Sliding Coefficient of Friction

For all guided and non-guided expansion type bearings, measure the sliding coefficient of friction at the bearing's design capacity in accordance with the test method described below, and on the fifth and fiftieth cycles, at a sliding speed of 1 in/min (25 mm/min).

Calculate the sliding coefficient of friction as the horizontal load required to maintain continuous sliding of one bearing, divided by the bearing's vertical design capacity.

The test results are evaluated as follows:

- A maximum measured sliding coefficients of friction of 3%.
- A visual examination both during and after the test. Any resultant visual defects, such as bond failure, physical destruction, cold flow of PTFE to the point of debonding, or damaged components is cause for rejection of the lot.

Using undamaged test bearings in the work is permitted.

3. Test Method

For the test method and equipment, meet the following requirements:

- Arrange the test to determine the coefficient of friction on the first movement of the manufactured bearing.**
- Clean the bearing surface prior to testing.**
- Conduct the test at maximum working stress for the PTFE surface with the test load applied continuously for 12 hours prior to measuring friction.**

d. Determine the first movement static and dynamic coefficient of friction of the test bearing at a sliding speed of less than 1 in/min (25 mm/min), not to exceed:

- 0.04 unfilled PTFE
- 0.08 filled PTFE

e. Subject the bearing specimen to 100 movements of at least 1 inch (25 mm) of relative movement and, if the test facility permits, the full design movement at a speed of less than 1 ft/min (300 mm/min). Following this test determine the static and kinetic coefficient of friction again. The specimen is considered a failure if it exceeds the values measured in (d) above or if it shows any signs of bond failure or other defects.

Bearings represented by test specimens passing the above requirements are approved for use in the structure subject to on-site inspection for visible defects.

5.0 INSTALLATION

Prior to shipment, seal the joint between the steel piston and the steel cylinder with a bead of caulk. Store pot bearings delivered to the bridge site under cover on a platform above the ground surface. Protect the bearings from injury at all times and, before placing the bearings, dry and clean all dirt, oil, grease or other foreign substances from the bearing. Do not disassemble the bearings during installation, except at the manufacturer’s direction. Place the bearings in accordance with the recommendations of the manufacturer, Contract Drawings, and as directed by the Engineer. If there is any discrepancy between the recommendations of the manufacturer, Special Provisions, and Contract Drawings, the Engineer is the sole judge in reconciling any such discrepancy.

Provide preformed bearing pads under the masonry plates in accordance with Article 1079-1 of the Standard Specifications.

Do not install any bearing before the Engineer approves it.

6.0 BASIS OF PAYMENT

Payment will be at the lump sum contract price bid for “Pot Bearings” which price will be full compensation for furnishing all labor, materials, tools, equipment and incidentals required to complete the work in accordance with the Standard Specifications, this Special Provision, the manufacturer’s requirements and as directed by the Engineer.

SOUND BARRIER WALL

(7-12-07)

1.0 DESCRIPTION

This work consists of furnishing precast panels, structural steel, concrete, and all other materials; handling, transporting, fabricating, galvanizing, and storing materials; furnishing erection drawings, backfilling, pile excavation, and erecting and installing the sound barrier

wall members and all other materials as required by the plans, Standard Specifications and this Special Provision.

The plans allow for a choice of a 10 ft (3.1 m) or 15 ft (4.6 m) pile spacing. Pile spacings greater than 15 ft (4.6 m) will not be permitted for any reasons. Once selected, use the pile spacing throughout the entire length of the wall unless the Engineer approves otherwise.

2.0 MATERIALS AND FABRICATION

Provide materials and fabricate members in accordance with the requirements of Division 10 of the Standard Specifications for Roads and Structures.

Provide precast panels that are 4 inches \pm ¼ inch (102 \pm 6 mm) thick with an exposed aggregate finish on one face. Install this face in the wall facing the roadway. The depth of the exposure is required to range from 0 to 1/4 inch (0 mm to 6 mm). Furnish three 12" x 12" (300 mm x 300 mm) samples for approval which establish the acceptable variations in color, texture, and uniformity. After the color, texture, and uniformity of the furnished samples are approved, produce a full scale panel unit meeting design requirements. This mock-up and the furnished samples establish the base or standard quality for acceptance of the panels. When producing the final installed panels, use fine and coarse aggregate, retarder, and cement from the same source as those used in the approved sample panels.

3.0 CONSTRUCTION METHODS

Complete the final survey of existing ground profile after clearing the wall area but prior to submitting any working drawings. Submit the final groundline survey with the working drawings.

If the Department is responsible for the survey, the Engineer field verifies the existing ground profile along the sound barrier wall. Contact the Engineer to obtain the survey information. Otherwise, complete the existing ground survey to determine the number and heights of the precast panels.

Provide consistent pile spacing throughout the length of the wall. Use odd pile spacings, if necessary, only at the ends of the wall and at turning points as approved by the Engineer.

Excavate holes with the diameters shown on the plans. Perform pile excavation to the depths shown on the plans and install piles as shown on the plans or in the accepted submittals with a tolerance of 1/2 inch per foot (42 mm per meter) from vertical. Backfill excavations with concrete after placing piles.

A. Pile Excavation

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 the excavation. Blasting for core removal is only permitted when approved by the Engineer. Dispose of drilling spoils in accordance with Section 802 of the Standard Specifications and as directed by the

Engineer. Drilling spoils consist of all excavated material including water removed from the excavation either by pumping or drilling tools.

If unstable, caving or sloughing soils are anticipated or encountered, stabilize excavations with either slurry or steel casing. When using slurry, submit slurry details including product information, manufacturer's recommendations for use, slurry equipment information and written approval from the slurry supplier that the mixing water is acceptable before beginning drilling. When using steel casing, use either the sectional type or one continuous corrugated or non-corrugated piece. Steel casings should consist of clean watertight steel 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 (6 mm).

B. Concrete Placement

Before placing concrete, center and support the pile in the excavation and check the water inflow rate in the excavation after any pumps have been removed. If the inflow rate is less than 6" (150 mm) 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" (150 mm) per half hour, propose a concrete placement procedure to the Engineer. The Engineer shall approve the concrete placement procedure before placing concrete.

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" (150 to 200 mm). Use an approved high-range water reducer to achieve this slump. Place concrete in a continuous manner and remove all casings.

4.0 WORKING DRAWINGS

Submit casting drawings for the precast face panels for approval in accordance with Article 1077-2 of the Standard Specifications prior to casting. Show the inserts, method of handling, and support details used for transportation on casting drawings. Submit metalwork fabrication drawings for approval prior to fabrication of steel wall components. Submit an erection plan and concrete face panel placing plan, including location of various heights of panels, for review and acceptance prior to fabrication of metalwork. Submit five sets of detail drawings.

5.0 METHOD OF MEASUREMENT

The quantity of sound barrier wall to be paid for will be the actual square feet (square meters) of precast panels used in the completed and accepted wall. Measurement will be made of the total area of precast panels used in the wall.

6.0 BASIS OF PAYMENT

The quantity of sound barrier wall, measured as provided above, will be paid for at the contract unit price bid per square foot (square meter) for "Sound Barrier Wall".

The unit price bid per square foot (square meter) will be full compensation for all work covered by this Special Provision including, but not limited to, furnishing precast panels, structural steel, concrete, and all other materials; handling, transporting, fabricating, galvanizing, and storing materials; furnishing erection drawings, backfilling, pile excavation including any casing or slurry, and erecting and installing the sound barrier wall members.

Payment will be made under:

Sound Barrier Wall.....Square Foot (Square Meter)

THERMAL SPRAYED COATINGS (METALLIZATION)

(6-07-05)

1.0 DESCRIPTION

Apply a thermal sprayed coating (TSC) and sealer to metal surfaces as specified herein when called for on the plans or by other Special Provisions, or when otherwise approved by the Engineer in accordance with the SSPC-CS 23.00/AWS C2.23/NACE No. 12 Specification. Only Arc Sprayed application methods are used to apply TSC coatings, the Engineer must approve other methods of application.

2.0 QUALIFICATIONS

Only use NCDOT approved TSC Contractors meeting the following requirements:

1. Who have the capability of blast cleaning steel surfaces to SSPC SP-5 and SP-10 Finishes.
2. Who employ a Spray Operator(s) qualified in accordance with AWS C.16/C2.16M2002 and a Quality Control Inspector(s) who have documented training in the applicable test procedures of ASTM D-3276 and SSPC-CS 23.00.

A summary of the contractor's related work experience and the documents verifying each Spray Operator's and Quality Control Inspector's qualifications are submitted to the Engineer before any work is performed.

3.0 MATERIALS

Provide wire in accordance with the metallizing equipment manufacturer's recommendations. Use the wire alloy specified on the plans which meets the requirements in Annex C of the SSPC-CS 23.00 Specification. Have the contractor provide a certified analysis (NCDOT Type 2 Certification) for each lot of wire material.

Apply an approved sealer to all metallized surfaces in accordance with Section 9 of SSPC-CS 23. The sealer must either meet SSPC Paint 27 or is an alternate approved by the Engineer.

4.0 SURFACE PREPARATION AND TSC APPLICATION

Grind flame cut edges to remove the carbonized surface prior to blasting. Bevel all flame cut edges in accordance with Article 442-10(D) regardless of included angle. Blast clean surfaces to be metallized with grit or mineral abrasive in accordance with Steel Structures Painting Council SSPC SP-5/10(as specified) to impart an angular surface profile of 2.5 - 4.0 mils (0.063 – 0.100 mm). Surface preparation hold times are in accordance with Section 7.32 of SSPC-CS 23. If flash rusting occurs prior to metallizing, blast clean the metal surface again. Apply the thermal sprayed coating only when the surface temperature of the steel is at least 5°F (3°C) above the dew point.

At the beginning of each work period or shift, conduct bend tests in accordance with Section 6.5 of SSPC-CS 23.00. Any disbonding or delamination of the coating that exposes the substrate requires corrective action, additional testing, and the Engineer's approval before resuming the metallizing process.

Apply TSC with the alloy to the thickness specified on the plans or as provided in the table below. All spot results (the average of 3 to 5 readings) must meet the minimum requirement. No additional tolerance (as allowed by SSPC PA-2) is permitted. (For Steel Beams: For pieces with less than 200 ft² (18.6m²) measure 2 spots/surface per piece and for pieces greater than 200 ft² (18.6m²) add 1 additional spots/surface for each 500 ft² (46.5m²)).

| Application | Thickness | Alloy | Seal Coat |
|------------------------|-----------|------------------------|-----------|
| Pot Bearings | 8 mil | 85/15 Zinc (W-Zn-Al-2) | 0.5 mil |
| Armored Joint Angles | 8 mil | 85/15 Zinc (W-Zn-Al-2) | 0.5 mil |
| Modular Joints | 8 mil | 99.99% Zn (W-Zn-1) | 0.5 mil |
| Expansion Joint Seals | 8 mil | 99.99% Zn (W-Zn-1) | 0.5 mil |
| Optional Disc Bearings | 8 mil | 85/15 Zinc (W-Zn-Al-2) | 0.5 mil |

When noted on the plans or as specified in the above chart, apply the sealer to all metallized surfaces in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations and these provisions. Apply the seal coat only when the air temperature is above 40°F (4°C) and the surface temperature of the steel is at least 5°F (3°C) above the dew point. If the sealer is not applied within eight hours after the final application of TSC, the applicator verifies acceptable TSC surfaces and obtains approval from the Engineer before applying the sealer.

5.0 INSPECTION FREQUENCY

The TSC Contractor must conduct the following tests at the specified frequency and the results documented in a format approved by the Engineer.

| Test/Standard | Location | Frequency | Specification |
|--|---------------------------------|--|---|
| Ambient Conditions | Site | Each Process | 5°F (3°C) above the dew point |
| Abrasive Properties | Site | Each Day | Size, angularity, cleanliness |
| Surface Cleanliness SSPC Vis 1 | All Surfaces | Visual All Surfaces | SSPC-SP-10 Atmospheric Service SSPC-SP - 5 Immersion Service |
| Surface Profile ASTM D-4417 Method C | Random Surfaces | 3 per 500 ft ² | 2.5 - 4.0 mils |
| Bend Test SSPC-CS 23.00 | Site | 5 per shift | Pass Visual |
| Thickness SSPC PA-2R SSPC-CS 23.00 | Each Surface | Use the method in PA-2 Appendix 3 for Girders and Appendix 4 for frames and miscellaneous steel. See Note 1. | Zn - 8 mils minimum Al - 8 mils minimum Zn Al - 8 mils minimum Areas with more than twice the minimum thickness are inspected for compliance to the adhesion and cut testing requirements of this specification. |
| Adhesion ASTM 4541 | Random Surfaces Splice Areas | 1 set of 3 per 500 ft ² | Zn > 500 psi Al > 1000 psi Zn Al > 750 psi |
| Cut Test - SSPC-CS 23.00 | Random Surfaces | 3 sets of 3 per 500 ft ² | No peeling or delamination |
| Job Reference Std. SSPC-CS 23.00 | Site | 1 per job | Meets all the above requirements |

6.0 REPAIRS

All Repairs are to be performed in accordance with the procedures below, depending on whether the repair surface is hidden or exposed. As an exception to the following, field welded splices on joint angles and field welding bearing plates to girders may be repaired in accordance with the procedures for hidden surfaces.

For hidden surfaces (including but not limited to interior girders, interior faces of exterior girders, and below-grade sections of piles):

1. Welding of metallized surfaces may be performed only if specifically permitted by the Engineer. Remove metallizing at the location of field welds by blast cleaning (SSPC SP-6 finish), or hand (SSPC SP-2 finish) or power tool cleaning (SSPC SP-3 finish) just prior to welding. Clean sufficiently to prevent contamination of the weld. All repairs to welded connections are metallized in accordance with SSPC CS 23.00.
2. Minor areas less than or equal to 0.1 ft^2 (9300mm^2) exposing the substrate are metallized in accordance with SSPC CS 23.00 or painted in accordance with ASTM A780, "Repair of Damaged and Uncoated Areas of Hot Dip Galvanized Coatings."
3. Large areas greater than 0.1 ft^2 (9300mm^2) exposing the substrate are metallized in accordance with SSPC CS 23.00.
4. Damaged (burnished) areas not exposing the substrate with less than the specified coating thickness are metallized in accordance with SSPC CS 23.00 or painted in accordance with ASTM A780, "Repair of Damaged and Uncoated Areas of Hot Dip Galvanized Coatings."
5. Damaged (burnished) areas not exposing the substrate with more than the specified coating thickness are not repaired.
6. Defective coating is repaired by either method 2 or 3 depending on the area of the defect.

For Exposed Surfaces (including but not limited to exterior faces of exterior girders and above-grade sections of piles):

1. Welding of metallized surfaces may be performed only if specifically permitted by the Engineer. Remove metallization at the location of field welds by blast cleaning (SSPC SP-6 finish), or hand (SSPC SP-2 finish) or power tool cleaning (SSPC SP-3 finish) just prior to welding. Clean sufficiently to prevent contamination of the weld. All repairs to welded connections are metallized in accordance with SSPC CS 23.00.
2. All areas exposing the substrate are metallized in accordance with SSPC CS 23.00
3. Defective coating is repaired by either method 2 or 3 depending on the area of the defect.

7.0 TWELVE MONTH OBSERVATION PERIOD

The contractor maintains responsibility for the coating system for a twelve (12) month observation period beginning upon the satisfactory completion of all the work required in the plans or as directed by the engineer. The contractor must guarantee the coating system under the payment and performance bond (refer to article 109-10). To successfully

complete the observation period, the coating system must meet the following requirements after twelve(12) months service:

- No visible rust, contamination or application defect is observed in any coated area.
- Painted surfaces have a uniform color and gloss.
- Surfaces have an adhesion of no less than 500 psi (3.45 MPa) when tested in accordance with ASTM D-4541.

8.0 BASIS OF PAYMENT

The contract price bid for the bridge component to which the coating is applied will be full compensation for the thermal sprayed coating.

EVAZOTE JOINT SEALS

(8-13-04)

1.0 SEALS

Use preformed seals compatible with concrete and resistant to abrasion, oxidation, oils, gasoline, salt and other materials that are spilled on or applied to the surface. Use a low-density closed cell, cross-linked ethylene vinyl acetate polyethylene copolymer nitrogen blown material for the seal.

Use seals manufactured with grooves 1/8" (3 mm) \pm wide by 1/8" (3 mm) \pm deep and spaced between 1/4 (6 mm) and 1/2 inch (13 mm) apart along the bond surface running the length of the joint. Use seals sized so that the depth of the seal meets the manufacturer's recommendation, but is not less than 70% of the uncompressed width. Provide a seal designed so that, when compressed, the center portion of the top does not extend upward above the original height of the seal by more than 1/4 inch (6 mm). Splice the seal using the heat welding method by placing the joint material ends against a teflon heating iron of 350°F (177°C) for 7 - 10 seconds, then pressing the ends together tightly. Do not test the welding until the material has completely cooled. Use material that resists weathering and ultraviolet rays. Provide a seal that has a working range of 30% tension and 60% compression and is watertight along its entire length including the ends.

Provide seals that meet the requirements given below.

| TEST | TEST METHOD | REQUIREMENT |
|---|--|---------------------------------------|
| Elongation at break | ASTM D3575 | 210 \pm 15% |
| Tensile strength, psi (kPa) | ASTM D3575 | 110 \pm 15 (755 \pm 100) |
| Compression Recovery (% of original width) | AASHTO T42 50% compr. for 22 hr. @ 73°F (23°C) 1/2 hr. recovery | 87 \pm 3 |
| Weather/Deterioration | AASHTO T42 Accelerated Weathering | No deterioration for 10 years min. |

| TEST | TEST METHOD | REQUIREMENT |
|------------------------------|--|---|
| Compression/Deflection | @ 50% deflection of original width @ 50% deflection of original width | 10 psi (69 kPa) min. 60 psi (414 kPa) max. |
| Tear Strength, psi (kPa) | ASTM D624 | 16 ± 3 (110 ± 20) |
| Density | ASTM D545 | 2.8 to 3.4 |
| Water Absorption (% vol/vol) | ASTM D3575 Total immersion for 3 months | 3 |

Have the top of the evazote seal clearly shop marked. Inspect the evazote seals upon receipt to ensure that the marks are clearly visible upon installation.

2.0 ADHESIVES

Use a two component, 100% solid, modified epoxy adhesive with the seal that meets the requirements of ASTM C881, Type 1, Grade 3, Class B & C and has the following physical properties:

- Tensile strength..... 3500 psi (24.1 MPa) min.
- Compressive strength..... 7000 psi (48.3 MPa) min.
- Shore D Hardness 75 psi (0.5 MPa) min.
- Water Absorption..... 0.25% by weight

Use an adhesive that is workable to 40°F (4°C). When installing in temperatures below 40°F (4°C) or for application on moist, difficult to dry concrete surfaces, use an adhesive specified by the manufacturer of the joint material.

3.0 SAWING THE JOINTS

When the plans call for sawing the joints, the joints shall be initially formed to a width as shown on the plans including the blockout for the elastomeric concrete. Complete placement of the elastomeric concrete after the reinforced concrete deck slab has cured for seven full days and reached a minimum strength of 3000 psi (20.7 Mpa).

Cure the elastomeric concrete for a minimum of 2 days prior to sawing the elastomeric concrete to the final width and depth as specified in the plans.

When sawing the joint to receive the evazote seal, always use a rigid guide to control the saw in the desired direction. To control the saw and to produce a straight line as indicated on the plans, anchor and positively connect a template or a track to the bridge deck. Do not saw the joint by visual means such as a chalk line. Fill the holes used for holding the template or track to the deck with an approved, flowable non-shrink, non-metallic grout.

Saw cut to the desired width and depth in one or two passes of the saw by placing and spacing two metal blades on the saw shaft to the desired width for compression seals.

The desired depth is the depth of the seal plus 1/4 inch (6 mm) above the top of the seal plus approximately 1 inch (25 mm) below the bottom of the seal. An irregular bottom of sawed joint is permitted as indicated on the plans. Grind exposed corners on saw cut edges to a 1/4" (6 mm) chamfer.

Remove any staining or deposited material resulting from sawing with a wet blade to the satisfaction of the Engineer.

Use extreme care to saw the joint straight to the desired width and to prevent any chipping or damage to sawed edges of the joint.

4.0 PREPARATIONS FOR SAWED JOINTS

When the plans call for sawing the joint, the Engineer thoroughly inspects the sawed joint opening for spalls, popouts, cracks, etc. Make all necessary repairs prior to blast cleaning and installing the seal.

Immediately before sealing, clean the joints by sandblasting with clean dry sand. Sandblast to provide a firm, clean joint surface free of curing compound, loose material and any foreign matter. Sandblast without causing pitting or uneven surfaces. The aggregate in the elastomeric concrete may be exposed after sandblasting.

After blasting, either brush the surface with clean brushes made of hair, bristle or fiber, blow the surface with compressed air, or vacuum the surface until all traces of blast products and abrasives are removed from the surface, pockets, and corners.

If nozzle blasting, use compressed air that does not contain detrimental amounts of water or oil.

Examine the blast cleaned surface and remove any traces of oil, grease or smudge deposited in the cleaning operations.

Bond the seal to the blast cleaned surface on the same day the surface is blast cleaned.

5.0 PREPARATIONS FOR ARMORED JOINTS

When the plans call for armored joints, form the joint and blockout openings in accordance with the plans. If preferred, wrap the temporary form with polyethylene sheets to allow for easier removal. Do not use form release agents.

A. Submittals

Submitting detailed working drawings is not required; however, submitting catalog cuts of the proposed material is required. In addition, direct the joint supplier to provide an angle segment placing plan.

B. Surface Preparation

Prepare the surface within the 48 hours prior to placing the elastomeric concrete. Do not place the elastomeric concrete until the surface preparation is completed and approved.

1. Angle Assembly

Clean and free metallized steel of all foreign contaminants and blast the non-metallized steel surfaces to SSPC SP-10. Blast-cleaning anchor studs is not required.

2. Concrete

Prior to placing the elastomeric concrete, thoroughly clean and dry all concrete surfaces. Sandblast the concrete surface in the blockout and clear the surface of all loose debris.

C. Elastomeric Concrete Placement

Make sure that a manufacturer's representative is present when placing elastomeric concrete. Do not place elastomeric concrete if the ambient air temperature is below 45°F (7°C).

Prepare and apply a primer, as per manufacturer's recommendations, to all vertical concrete faces, all steel components to be in contact with elastomeric concrete, and to areas specified by the manufacturer. Align the angles with the joint opening.

Prepare, batch, and place the elastomeric concrete in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. Place the elastomeric concrete in the areas specified on the plans while the primer is still tacky and within 2 hours after applying the primer. Pay careful attention to properly consolidate the concrete around the steel and anchors. Trowel the elastomeric concrete to a smooth finish.

D. Joint Preparation

Prior to installing the seal, the Engineer thoroughly inspects the armored joint opening for proper alignment and full consolidation of elastomeric concrete under the angle assemblies. Make all necessary repairs prior to cleaning the joint opening and installing the seal.

Clean the armored joint opening with a pressure washer rated at 3000 psi (20.7 MPa) minimum at least 24 hours after placing the elastomeric concrete. Dry the cleaned surface prior to installing the seal.

Examine the cleaned surface and remove traces of oil, grease or smudge deposited during the cleaning operations.

Bond the seal to the cleaned surface on the same day the surface is cleaned.

6.0 SEAL INSTALLATION

Install the joint seal according to the manufacturer’s procedures and recommendations and as recommended below. Do not install the joint seal if the ambient air temperature is below 45°F (7°C). Have a manufacturer’s representative present during the installation of the first seal of the project.

Begin installation at the low end of the joint after applying the mixed epoxy to the sides of both the joint material and both sides of the joint, making certain to completely fill the grooves with epoxy. With gloved hands, compress the material and with the help of a blunt probe, push it down into the joint until it is recessed approximately 1/4 inch (6 mm) below the surface. Do not push the seal at an angle that would stretch the material. Once work on a joint begins, do not stop until it is completed. Clean the excess epoxy off the surface of the joint material *quickly* and *thoroughly*. Do not use solvents to remove excess epoxy. Remove excess epoxy in accordance with the joint manufacturer’s recommendations.

Install the seal so that it is watertight. Testing of the joint seal is not required, but it is observed until final inspection.

7.0 BASIS OF PAYMENT

Payment for all evazote joint seals will be at the lump sum contract price bid for “Evazote Joint Seals” which prices and payment will be full compensation for furnishing all material, including elastomeric concrete when required, labor, tools and equipment necessary for installing these units in place and accepted.

ELASTOMERIC CONCRETE

(10-12-01)

1.0 DESCRIPTION

Elastomeric concrete is a mixture of a two-part polymer consisting of polyurethane and/or epoxy, and kiln-dried aggregate. Have the manufacturer supply it as a unit. Use the concrete in the blocked out areas on both sides of the bridge deck joints as indicated on the plans.

2.0 MATERIALS

Provide materials that comply with the following minimum requirements at 14 days.

| CONCRETE PROPERTIES | TEST METHOD | MINIMUM REQUIREMENT |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| Bond Strength to Concrete, psi (MPa) | ASTM D638 (D638M) | 450 (3.1) |
| Brittleness by Impact, ft-lb (kg-m) | Ball Drop | 7 (0.97) |
| Compressive Strength, psi (MPa) | ASTM D695 (D695M) | 2800 (19.3) |

| BINDER PROPERTIES (without aggregate) | TEST METHOD | MINIMUM REQUIREMENT |
|--|-------------------|------------------------|
| Tensile Strength, psi (MPa) | ASTM D638 (D638M) | 800 (5.5) |
| Ultimate Elongation | ASTM D638 (D638M) | 150% |
| Tear Resistance, lb/in (kN/m) | ASTM D624 | 90 (15.7) |

In addition to the requirements above, use elastomeric concrete that also resists water, chemical, UV, and ozone exposure and withstands extreme temperature (freeze-thaw) changes.

Furnish a manufacturer's certification verifying that the materials satisfy the above requirements. Provide samples of elastomeric concrete to the Engineer, if requested, to independently verify conformance with the above requirements.

Require a manufacturer's representative to be present on site during the installation of the elastomeric concrete.

3.0 BASIS OF PAYMENT

No separate payment will be made for elastomeric concrete. The lump sum contract price bid for "Evazote Joint Seals" will be full compensation for furnishing and placing the Elastomeric Concrete.

FALSEWORK AND FORMWORK

(7-18-06)

1.0 DESCRIPTION

Use this Special Provision as a guide to develop temporary works submittals required by the Standard Specifications or other provisions; no additional submittals are required herein. Such temporary works include, but are not limited to, falsework and formwork.

Falsework is any temporary construction used to support the permanent structure until it becomes self-supporting. Formwork is the temporary structure or mold used to retain plastic or fluid concrete in its designated shape until it hardens. Access scaffolding is a temporary structure that functions as a work platform that supports construction personnel, materials, and tools, but is not intended to support the structure. Scaffolding systems that are used to temporarily support permanent structures (as opposed to functioning as work platforms) are considered to be falsework under the definitions given. Shoring is a component of falsework such as horizontal, vertical, or inclined support members. Where the term "temporary works" is used, it includes all of the temporary facilities used in bridge construction that do not become part of the permanent structure.

Design and construct safe and adequate temporary works that will support all loads imposed and provide the necessary rigidity to achieve the lines and grades shown on the plans in the final structure.

2.0 MATERIALS

Select materials suitable for temporary works; however, select materials that also ensure the safety and quality required by the design assumptions. The Engineer has authority to reject material on the basis of its condition, inappropriate use, safety, or nonconformance with the plans. Clearly identify allowable loads or stresses for all materials or manufactured devices on the plans. Revise the plan and notify the Engineer if any change to materials or material strengths is required.

3.0 DESIGN REQUIREMENTS

A. Working Drawings

Provide working drawings for items as specified in the contract, or as required by the Engineer, with design calculations and supporting data in sufficient detail to permit a structural and safety review of the proposed design of the temporary work.

When concrete placement is involved, include data such as the drawings of proposed sequence, rate of placement, direction of placement, and location of all construction joints. Submit the number of copies as called for by the contract.

When required, have the drawings and calculations prepared under the guidance of, and sealed by, a North Carolina Registered Professional Engineer who is knowledgeable in temporary works design.

Design falsework and formwork requiring submittals in accordance with the 1995 AASHTO *Guide Design Specifications for Bridge Temporary Works* except as noted herein.

1. Wind Loads

Table 2.2 of Article 2.2.5.1 is modified to include wind velocities up to 110 mph (177 km/hr). In addition, Table 2.2A is included to provide the maximum wind speeds by county in North Carolina.

Table 2.2 - Wind Pressure Values

| Height Zone feet (m) above ground | Pressure, lb/ft ² (kPa) for Indicated Wind Velocity, mph (km/hr) | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|--|---------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|
| | 70 (112.7) | 80 (128.7) | 90 (144.8) | 100 (160.9) | 110 (177.0) |
| 0 to 30 (0 to 9.1) | 15 (0.72) | 20 (0.96) | 25 (1.20) | 30 (1.44) | 35 (1.68) |
| 30 to 50 (9.1 to 15.2) | 20 (0.96) | 25 (1.20) | 30 (1.44) | 35 (1.68) | 40 (1.92) |
| 50 to 100 (15.2 to 30.5) | 25 (1.20) | 30 (1.44) | 35 (1.68) | 40 (1.92) | 45 (2.15) |
| over 100 (30.5) | 30 (1.44) | 35 (1.68) | 40 (1.92) | 45 (2.15) | 50 (2.39) |

2. Time of Removal

The following requirements replace those of Article 3.4.8.2.

Do not remove forms until the concrete has attained strengths required in Article 420-16 of the Standard Specifications and these Special Provisions.

Do not remove forms until the concrete has sufficient strength to prevent damage to the surface.

Table 2.2A - Steady State Maximum Wind Speeds by Counties in North Carolina

| COUNTY | 25 YR (mph) (km/hr) | COUNTY | 25 YR (mph) (km/hr) | COUNTY | 25 YR (mph) (km/hr) |
|------------|---------------------------|-------------|---------------------------|--------------|---------------------------|
| Alamance | 70 (112.7) | Franklin | 70 (112.7) | Pamlico | 100 (160.9) |
| Alexander | 70 (112.7) | Gaston | 70 (112.7) | Pasquotank | 100 (160.9) |
| Alleghany | 70 (112.7) | Gates | 90 (144.8) | Pender | 100 (160.9) |
| Anson | 70 (112.7) | Graham | 80 (128.7) | Perquimans | 100 (160.9) |
| Ashe | 70 (112.7) | Granville | 70 (112.7) | Person | 70 (112.7) |
| Avery | 70 (112.7) | Greene | 80 (128.7) | Pitt | 90 (144.8) |
| Beaufort | 100 (160.9) | Guilford | 70 (112.7) | Polk | 80 (128.7) |
| Bertie | 90 (144.8) | Halifax | 80 (128.7) | Randolph | 70 (112.7) |
| Bladen | 90 (144.8) | Harnett | 70 (112.7) | Richmond | 70 (112.7) |
| Brunswick | 100 (160.9) | Haywood | 80 (128.7) | Robeson | 80 (128.7) |
| Buncombe | 80 (128.7) | Henderson | 80 (128.7) | Rockingham | 70 (112.7) |
| Burke | 70 (112.7) | Hertford | 90 (144.8) | Rowan | 70 (112.7) |
| Cabarrus | 70 (112.7) | Hoke | 70 (112.7) | Rutherford | 70 (112.7) |
| Caldwell | 70 (112.7) | Hyde | 110 (177.0) | Sampson | 90 (144.8) |
| Camden | 100 (160.9) | Iredell | 70 (112.7) | Scotland | 70 (112.7) |
| Carteret | 110 (177.0) | Jackson | 80 (128.7) | Stanley | 70 (112.7) |
| Caswell | 70 (112.7) | Johnston | 80 (128.7) | Stokes | 70 (112.7) |
| Catawba | 70 (112.7) | Jones | 100 (160.9) | Surry | 70 (112.7) |
| Cherokee | 80 (128.7) | Lee | 70 (112.7) | Swain | 80 (128.7) |
| Chatham | 70 (112.7) | Lenoir | 90 (144.8) | Transylvania | 80 (128.7) |
| Chowan | 90 (144.8) | Lincoln | 70 (112.7) | Tyrell | 100 (160.9) |
| Clay | 80 (128.7) | Macon | 80 (128.7) | Union | 70 (112.7) |
| Cleveland | 70 (112.7) | Madison | 80 (128.7) | Vance | 70 (112.7) |
| Columbus | 90 (144.8) | Martin | 90 (144.8) | Wake | 70 (112.7) |
| Craven | 100 (160.9) | McDowell | 70 (112.7) | Warren | 70 (112.7) |
| Cumberland | 80 (128.7) | Mecklenburg | 70 (112.7) | Washington | 100 (160.9) |
| Currituck | 100 (160.9) | Mitchell | 70 (112.7) | Watauga | 70 (112.7) |
| Dare | 110 (177.0) | Montgomery | 70(112.7) | Wayne | 80 (128.7) |
| Davidson | 70 (112.7) | Moore | 70 (112.7) | Wilkes | 70 (112.7) |
| Davie | 70 (112.7) | Nash | 80 (128.7) | Wilson | 80 (128.7) |
| Duplin | 90 (144.8) | New Hanover | 100 (160.9) | Yadkin | 70 (112.7) |
| Durham | 70 (112.7) | Northampton | 80 (128.7) | Yancey | 70 (112.7) |
| Edgecombe | 80 (128.7) | Onslow | 100 (160.9) | | |
| Forsyth | 70 (112.7) | Orange | 70 (112.7) | | |

Note on the working drawings any anchorages, connectors, inserts, steel sleeves or other such devices used as part of the falsework or formwork that remains in the permanent structure. If the plan notes indicate that the structure contains the necessary corrosion protection required for a Corrosive Site, epoxy coat, galvanize, metallize or otherwise protect these devices as directed by the Engineer. Any coating required by the Engineer will be considered incidental to the various pay items requiring temporary works.

B. Review and Approval

The Engineer is responsible for the review and approval of temporary works' drawings.

Submit the working drawings sufficiently in advance of proposed use to allow for their review, revision (if needed), and approval without delay to the work.

Do not start construction of any temporary work for which working drawings are required until the drawings have been approved. Such approval does not relieve the Contractor of the responsibility for the accuracy and adequacy of the working drawings.

The time period for review of the working drawings does not begin until complete drawings and design calculations, when required, are received by the Engineer.

On the drawings, show all information necessary to allow the design of any component to be checked independently as determined by the Engineer.

If requested by the Engineer, submit with the working drawings manufacturer's catalog data listing the weight of all construction equipment that will be supported on the temporary work. Show anticipated total settlements and/or deflections of falsework and forms on the working drawings. Include falsework footing settlements, joint take-up, and deflection of beams or girders. Falsework hangers that support concentrated loads and are installed at the edge of thin top flange concrete girders (such as bulb tee girders) shall be spaced so as not to exceed 75% of the manufacturer's stated safe working load. Use of dual leg hangers (such as Meadow Burke HF-42 and HF-43) are not allowed. Design the falsework and forms supporting deck slabs and overhangs on girder bridges so that there will be no differential settlement between the girders and the deck forms during placement of deck concrete.

4.0 CONSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS

All requirements of Section 420 of the Standard Specifications apply.

Construct temporary works in conformance with the approved working drawings. Ensure that the quality of materials and workmanship employed is consistent with that assumed in the design of the temporary works. Do not weld falsework members to any portion of the permanent structure unless approved. Show any welding to the permanent structure on the approved construction drawings.

Provide tell-tales attached to the forms and extending to the ground, or other means, for accurate measurement of falsework settlement. Make sure that the anticipated compressive settlement and/or deflection of falsework does not exceed 1 inch (25 mm). For cast-in-place concrete structures, make sure that the calculated deflection of falsework flexural members does not exceed 1/240 of their span regardless of whether or not the deflection is compensated by camber strips.

A. Maintenance and Inspection

Inspect and maintain the temporary work in an acceptable condition throughout the period of its use. Certify that the manufactured devices have been maintained in a condition to allow them to safely carry their rated loads. Clearly mark each piece so that its capacity can be readily determined at the job site.

Perform an in-depth inspection of an applicable portion(s) of the temporary works, in the presence of the Engineer, not more than 24 hours prior to the beginning of each concrete placement. Inspect other temporary works at least once a month to ensure that they are functioning properly. Have a North Carolina Registered Professional Engineer inspect the cofferdams, shoring, sheathing, support of excavation structures, and support systems for load tests prior to loading.

B. Foundations

Determine the safe bearing capacity of the foundation material on which the supports for temporary works rest. If required by the Engineer, conduct load tests to verify proposed bearing capacity values that are marginal or in other high-risk situations.

The use of the foundation support values shown on the contract plans of the permanent structure is permitted if the foundations are on the same level and on the same soil as those of the permanent structure.

Allow for adequate site drainage or soil protection to prevent soil saturation and washout of the soil supporting the temporary works supports.

If piles are used, the estimation of capacities and later confirmation during construction using standard procedures based on the driving characteristics of the pile is permitted. If preferred, use load tests to confirm the estimated capacities; or, if required by the Engineer conduct load tests to verify bearing capacity values that are marginal or in other high risk situations.

The Engineer reviews and approves the proposed pile and soil bearing capacities.

5.0 REMOVAL

Unless otherwise permitted, remove and keep all temporary works upon completion of the work. Do not disturb or otherwise damage the finished work.

Remove temporary works in conformance with the contract documents. Remove them in such a manner as to permit the structure to uniformly and gradually take the stresses due to its own weight.

6.0 METHOD OF MEASUREMENT

Unless otherwise specified, temporary works will not be directly measured.

7.0 BASIS OF PAYMENT

Payment at the contract unit prices for the various pay items requiring temporary works will be full compensation for the above falsework and formwork.

SUBMITTAL OF WORKING DRAWINGS

(9-16-08)

1.0 GENERAL

Submit working drawings in accordance with Article 105-2 of the *Standard Specifications* and this provision. For this provision, "submittals" refers to only those listed in this provision. The list of submittals contained herein does not represent a list of required submittals for the project. Submittals are only necessary for those items as required by the contract. Make submittals that are not specifically noted in this provision directly to the Resident Engineer. Either the Structure Design Unit or the Geotechnical Engineering Unit or both units will jointly review submittals.

If a submittal contains variations from plan details or specifications or significantly affects project cost, field construction or operations, discuss the submittal with and submit all copies to the Resident Engineer. State the reason for the proposed variation in the submittal. To minimize review time, make sure all submittals are complete when initially submitted. Provide a contact name and information with each submittal. Direct any questions regarding submittal requirements to the Resident Engineer, Structure Design Unit contacts or the Geotechnical Engineering Unit contacts noted below.

In order to facilitate in-plant inspection by NCDOT and approval of working drawings, provide the name, address and telephone number of the facility where fabrication will actually be done if different than shown on the title block of the submitted working drawings. This includes, but is not limited to, precast concrete items, prestressed concrete items and fabricated steel or aluminum items.

2.0 ADDRESSES AND CONTACTS

For submittals to the Structure Design Unit, use the following addresses:

Via US mail:

Mr. G. R. Perfetti, P. E.
State Bridge Design Engineer
North Carolina Department
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Structure Design Unit
1581 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-1581

Attention: Mr. P. D. Lambert, P. E.

Via other delivery service:

Mr. G. R. Perfetti, P. E.
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North Carolina Department
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Structure Design Unit
1000 Birch Ridge Drive
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Attention: Mr. P. D. Lambert, P. E.

For submittals to the Geotechnical Engineering Unit, use the following addresses:

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

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3.0 SUBMITTAL COPIES

Furnish one complete copy of each submittal, including all attachments, to the Resident Engineer. At the same time, submit the number of hard copies shown below of the same complete submittal directly to the Structure Design Unit and/or the Geotechnical Engineering Unit.

The first table below covers “Structure Submittals”. The Resident Engineer will receive review comments and drawing markups for these submittals from the Structure Design Unit. The second table in this section covers “Geotechnical Submittals”. The Resident Engineer will receive review comments and drawing markups for these submittals from the Geotechnical Engineering Unit.

Unless otherwise required, submit one set of supporting calculations to either the Structure Design Unit or the Geotechnical Engineering Unit unless both units require submittal copies in which case submit a set of supporting calculations to each unit. Provide additional copies of any submittal as directed by the Engineer.

STRUCTURE SUBMITTALS

| Submittal | Copies Required by Structure Design Unit | Copies Required by Geotechnical Engineering Unit | Contract Reference Requiring Submittal ¹ |
|--|---|--|---|
| Arch Culvert Falsework | 5 | 0 | Plan Note, SN Sheet & "Falsework and Formwork" |
| Box Culvert Falsework ⁷ | 5 | 0 | Plan Note, SN Sheet & "Falsework and Formwork" |
| Cofferdams | 6 | 2 | Article 410-4 |
| Evazote Joint Seals ⁶ | 9 | 0 | "Evazote Joint Seals" |
| Expansion Joint Seals (hold down plate type with base angle) | 9 | 0 | "Expansion Joint Seals" |
| Expansion Joint Seals (modular) | 2, then 9 | 0 | "Modular Expansion Joint Seals" |
| Expansion Joint Seals (strip seals) | 9 | 0 | "Strip Seals" |
| Falsework & Forms ² (substructure) | 8 | 0 | Article 420-3 & "Falsework and Formwork" |
| Falsework & Forms (superstructure) | 8 | 0 | Article 420-3 & "Falsework and Formwork" |
| Girder Erection over Railroad | 5 | 0 | Railroad Provisions |
| Maintenance and Protection of Traffic Beneath Proposed Structure | 8 | 0 | "Maintenance and Protection of Traffic Beneath Proposed Structure at Station ____" |
| Metal Bridge Railing | 8 | 0 | Plan Note |
| Metal Stay-in-Place Forms | 8 | 0 | Article 420-3 |
| Metalwork for Elastomeric Bearings ^{4,5} | 7 | 0 | Article 1072-10 |

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|--|---------------------------|---|--|
| Miscellaneous Metalwork ^{4,5} | 7 | 0 | Article 1072-10 |
| Optional Disc Bearings ⁴ | 8 | 0 | “Optional Disc Bearings” |
| Overhead Signs | 13 | 0 | Article 903-3(C) & Applicable Provisions |
| Pile Splicers | 7 | 2 | Subarticle 450-7(C) & “Piles” |
| Pile Points | 7 | 2 | Subarticle 450-7(D) & “Piles” |
| Placement of Equipment on Structures (cranes, etc.) | 7 | 0 | Article 420-20 |
| Pot Bearings ⁴ | 8 | 0 | “Pot Bearings” |
| Precast Concrete Box Culverts | 2, then 1 reproducible | 0 | “Optional Precast Reinforced Concrete Box Culvert at Station ____” |
| Precast Retaining Wall Panels | 10 | 1 | Article 1077-2 |
| Prestressed Concrete Cored Slab (detensioning sequences) ³ | 6 | 0 | Article 1078-11 |
| Prestressed Concrete Deck Panels | 6 and 1 reproducible | 0 | Article 420-3 |
| Prestressed Concrete Girder (strand elongation and detensioning sequences) | 6 | 0 | Articles 1078-8 and 1078- 11 |
| Removal of Existing Structure over Railroad | 5 | 0 | Railroad Provisions |
| Revised Bridge Deck Plans (adaptation to prestressed deck panels) | 2, then 1 reproducible | 0 | Article 420-3 |
| Revised Bridge Deck Plans (adaptation to modular expansion joint seals) | 2, then 1 reproducible | 0 | “Modular Expansion Joint Seals” |
| Sound Barrier Wall Casting Plans | 10 | 0 | Article 1077-2 & “Sound Barrier Wall” |
| Sound Barrier Wall Steel Fabrication Plans ⁵ | 7 | 0 | Article 1072-10 & “Sound Barrier Wall” |
| Structural Steel ⁴ | 2, then 7 | 0 | Article 1072-10 |

| | | | |
|-------------------------------------|----|---|---|
| Temporary Detour Structures | 10 | 2 | Article 400-3 & “Construction, Maintenance and Removal of Temporary Structure at Station _____” |
| TFE Expansion Bearings ⁴ | 8 | 0 | Article 1072-10 |

FOOTNOTES

1. References are provided to help locate the part of the contract where the submittals are required. References in quotes refer to the provision by that name. Articles and subarticles refer to the *Standard Specifications*.
2. Submittals for these items are necessary only when required by a note on plans.
3. Submittals for these items may not be required. A list of pre-approved sequences is available from the producer or the Materials & Tests Unit.
4. The fabricator may submit these items directly to the Structure Design Unit.
5. The two sets of preliminary submittals required by Article 1072-10 of the *Standard Specifications* are not required for these items.
6. Submittals for Fabrication Drawings are not required. Submittals for Catalogue Cuts of Proposed Material are required. See Section 5.A of the referenced provision.
7. Submittals are necessary only when the top slab thickness is 18” or greater.

GEOTECHNICAL SUBMITTALS

| Submittal ¹ | Copies Required by Geotechnical Engineering Unit | Copies Required by Structure Design Unit | Contract Reference Requiring Submittal ² |
|---|---|---|---|
| Crosshole Sonic Logging (CSL) Reports | 1 | 0 | “Crosshole Sonic Logging” |
| Drilled Pier Construction Sequence Plans | 1 | 0 | “Drilled Piers” |
| Pile Driving Analyzer (PDA) Reports | 2 | 0 | “Pile Driving Analyzer” |
| Pile Driving Equipment Data ³ | 1 | 0 | Article 450-5 & “Piles” |
| Retaining Walls | 8 | 2 | Applicable Provisions “Temporary Shoring”, “Anchored Temporary Shoring” & “Temporary Soil Nail Walls” |
| Contractor Designed Shoring | 7 | 2 | |

FOOTNOTES

1. With the exception of “Pile Driving Equipment Data”, electronic copies of geotechnical submittals are required. See referenced provision.
2. References are provided to help locate the part of the contract where the submittals are required. References in quotes refer to the provision by that name. Articles refer to the *Standard Specifications*.
3. Download Pile Driving Equipment Data Form from following link:
<http://www.ncdot.org/doh/preconstruct/highway/geotech/formdet/>
Submit one hard copy of the completed form to the Resident Engineer. Submit a second copy of the completed form electronically, by facsimile or via US Mail or other delivery service to the Geotechnical Engineering Unit. Electronic submission is preferred. See second page of form for submittal instructions.

OPTIONAL DISC BEARINGS

(6-07-05)

1.0 GENERAL

This item consists of furnishing, fabrication and installation of disc bearings in accordance with AASHTO Standard Specifications, the Standard Specifications, the recommendations of the manufacturer and as specified herein. In addition, all plan notes pertaining to furnishing and installing pot bearing assemblies shall also apply to disc bearing assemblies, except as noted herein.

Disc Bearings consist of a polyether urethane structural element (disc) confined by upper and lower steel bearing plates. Equip disc bearings with a shear restriction mechanism to prevent movement of the disc. Supply disc bearings as fixed bearings and guided expansion bearings as designated by the Contract Documents.

Fixed disc bearings allow rotation but no longitudinal or transverse movement in the bearing plane. Fixed bearings consist of a sole plate, an elastomer disc, upper bearing plate, lower bearing plate, masonry plate, anchor bolts, nuts and washers.

Guided expansion disc bearings allow rotation and only longitudinal movement in the bearing plane. Guided expansion disc bearings consist of a sole plate, a top steel plate with a polished stainless steel sheet facing bearing on a fixed disc bearing with a layer of virgin polytetrafluoroethylene (PTFE) material on its top, masonry plate, anchor bolt assembly which includes anchor bolts, nuts, washers, pipe sleeves, a closure plate, grout and various sizes of standard pipe and any other necessary material as detailed on the plans. To allow longitudinal movement, bond a polytetrafluoroethylene (PTFE) sheet to the upper steel bearing plate. Support a sliding steel top bearing plate with the upper steel bearing plate. Face the mating surface of the sliding steel top bearing plate with polished stainless steel. Use either a guide bar or keyway system to restrict transverse movement. Face the sliding surfaces of the guide bar or keyway systems with either PTFE sheets or stainless steel.

2.0 MATERIALS

Use disc bearings produced by the same manufacturer.

Use AASHTO M270 Grade 50W (345W) for all steel in the disc bearings. Clean, coat, and seal the plates in the disc bearing assemblies except for the areas with special facings and the areas that come in contact with the elastomer disc, in accordance with the Special Provision for "Thermal Sprayed Coatings (Metallization)". Coat surfaces to a thickness of 8 mils (0.200 mm) minimum on all external parts. Repair surfaces that are abraded or damaged after the application of metallizing in accordance with the Special Provision for "Thermal Sprayed Coatings (Metallization)".

Provide anchor bolts and nuts in accordance with the Standard Specifications.

When the maximum plan dimension of the sheet is 12" (300 mm) or less, provide a stainless steel sheet in expansion disc bearings that is at least 16 gage or 1/16" (1.6 mm).

When the maximum plan dimension is greater than 12" (300 mm), provide a stainless steel sheet that is at least 11 gage or 1/8" (3 mm). Ensure that all stainless steel sheets are in conformance with ASTM A167/A240 Type 304 and polished to a minimum #8 mirror surface finish.

Blast clean the surface of the plate that will be attached to the stainless sheet to a near white condition in accordance with the Standard Specifications. Position and clamp the back of the stainless sheet that is to be in contact with the steel plate on the steel plate. Apply the stainless steel to the blast cleaned surface of the steel plate as soon as possible after blasting and before any visible oxidation of the blast cleaned surface occurs. Weld the stainless sheet continuously around its perimeter using a tungsten inert gas, wire-fed welder.

For the PTFE sheet, used as a mating surface for the stainless sheet, provide an unfilled virgin PTFE Sheet (Recessed) or a glass-fiber filled PTFE sheet, resulting from skiving billets formed under hydraulic pressure and heat. Provide resin that conforms to the requirements of ASTM D4894 or D4895.

To bond the PTFE and the bearing plate, use heat cured high temperature epoxy capable of withstanding temperature of -320°F to 500°F (-195 °C to 260 °C).

Mold the polyether urethane structural element from a polyether urethane compound. Conform the physical properties of the polyether urethane to the following requirements:

| Physical Property | ASTM Test Method | Requirements | |
|--|------------------|----------------------------|-------|
| | | Min. | Max. |
| Hardness, Type D Durometer | D2240 | 60 | 64 |
| Tensile Stress psi (Mpa) At 100% elongation At 200% elongation | D412 | 2000 (13.8) 3700 (25.5) | ----- |
| Tensile Strength psi (Mpa) | D412 | 5000 (34.5) | ----- |
| Ultimate Elongation % | D412 | 220 | ----- |
| Compression Set % 22 hrs. at 158°F (70°C) | D395 | ----- | 40 |

3.0 DESIGN

Design the disc bearings for the loads and movements shown on the contract plans. However, use the anchor bolt size, length, spacing and masonry plate thickness as shown on the contract plans and provide an overall height of the bearing assembly that is at least the height shown on the contract plans, but no more than 1/2 inch (13 mm) greater than this height. Either combine and cast the sole plate and top plate/upper bearing plate and the

lower bearing plate and masonry plate as a single unit or weld together prior to the installation of the disc.

When designing the bearings, use the following allowable bearing stresses:

- On polyether urethane structural element: 5000 psi (34.5 MPa)
- On PTFE Sliding Surface, filled or unfilled PTFE (recessed): 3500 psi (24.1 MPa)

Submit eight sets of shop drawings and one set of design calculations for review, comments and acceptance. Have a North Carolina Registered Professional Engineer check and seal the shop drawings and design calculations.

After the Engineer reviews the drawings and, if necessary, corrections are made, submit one 22" x 34" reproducible set of the working drawings.

4.0 SAMPLING AND TESTING

A. Sampling

The manufacturer is responsible for randomly selecting and testing sample bearings from completed lots of bearings. The manufacturer is also responsible for certifying that the completed bearings and their components have been tested and are in compliance with the requirements of this Special Provision. Have the manufacturer furnish the results of the tests to the Materials and Tests Engineer.

B. Testing

1. Proof Load Test

Load a test bearing to 150% of the bearing's rated design capacity and simultaneously subject it to a rotational range of 0.02 radians (1.146°) for a period of 1 hour.

Have the bearing visually examined both during the test and upon disassembly after the test. Any resultant visual defects, such as extruded or deformed elastomer or PTFE, damaged seals or rings, or cracked steel is cause for rejection.

Keep continuous and uniform contact between the polyether urethane element and the bearing plates and between the sliding steel top plate and the upper bearing plate for the duration of the test. Any observed lift-off is cause for rejection.

2. Sliding Coefficient of Friction

For all guided and non-guided expansion type bearings, measure the sliding coefficient of friction at the bearing's design capacity in accordance with the test method described below, and on the fifth and fiftieth cycles, at a sliding speed of 1 in/min (25 mm/min).

Calculate the sliding coefficient of friction as the horizontal load required to maintain continuous sliding of one bearing, divided by the bearing's vertical design capacity.

The test results are evaluated as follows:

- A maximum measured sliding coefficient of friction of 3%.
- A visual examination both during and after the test. Any resultant visual defects, such as bond failure, physical destruction, cold flow of PTFE to the point of debonding, or damaged components is cause for rejection of the lot.

Using undamaged test bearings in the work is permitted.

3. Test Method

The test method and equipment shall meet the following requirements:

- f. Arrange the test to determine the coefficient of friction on the first movement of the manufactured bearing.**
- g. Clean the bearing surface prior to testing.**
- h. Conduct the test at maximum working stress for the PTFE surface with the test load applied continuously for 12 hours prior to measuring friction.**
- i. Determine the first movement static and dynamic coefficient of friction of the test bearing at a sliding speed of less than 1 in/min (25 mm/min), not to exceed:**

| | |
|------|---------------|
| 0.04 | unfilled PTFE |
| 0.08 | filled PTFE |
- j. Subject the bearing specimen to 100 movements of at least 1 inch (25 mm) of relative movement and, if the test facility permits, the full design movement at a speed of less than 1 ft/min (300 mm/min). Following this test determine the static and kinetic coefficient of friction again. The specimen is considered a failure if it exceeds the values measured in (d) above or if it shows any signs of bond failure or other defects.**

Bearings represented by test specimens passing the above requirements are approved for use in the structure subject to on-site inspection for visible defects.

5.0 INSTALLATION

Store disc bearings delivered to the bridge site under cover on a platform above the ground surface. Protect the bearings from injury at all times and, before placing the bearings, dry and clean all dirt, oil, grease or other foreign substances from the bearing. Do not disassemble the bearings during installation, except at the manufacturer's direction. Place the bearings in accordance with the recommendations of the manufacturer, Contract

Drawings, and as directed by the Engineer. If there is any discrepancy between the recommendations of the manufacturer, Special Provisions, and Contract Drawings, the Engineer is the sole judge in reconciling any such discrepancy.

Provide preformed bearing pads under the masonry plates in accordance with Article 1079-1 of the Standard Specifications.

Do not install any bearing before the Engineer approves it.

6.0 BASIS OF PAYMENT

Payment for all optional disc bearings will be at the lump sum contract price bid for "Pot Bearings" which includes full compensation for furnishing all disc bearings, labor, materials, tools, equipment, testing and incidentals required to complete the work in accordance with the Standard Specifications, this Special Provision, the manufacturer's requirements and as directed by the Engineer.

CRANE SAFETY

(8-15-05)

Comply with the manufacturer specifications and limitations applicable to the operation of any and all cranes and derricks. Prime contractors, sub-contractors, and fully operated rental companies shall comply with the current Occupational Safety and Health Administration regulations (OSHA).

Submit all items listed below to the Engineer prior to beginning crane operations involving critical lifts. A critical lift is defined as any lift that exceeds 75 percent of the manufacturer's crane chart capacity for the radius at which the load will be lifted or requires the use of more than one crane. Changes in personnel or equipment must be reported to the Engineer and all applicable items listed below must be updated and submitted prior to continuing with crane operations.

CRANE SAFETY SUBMITTAL LIST

- A. **Competent Person:** Provide the name and qualifications of the "Competent Person" responsible for crane safety and lifting operations. The named competent person will have the responsibility and authority to stop any work activity due to safety concerns.
- B. **Riggers:** Provide the qualifications and experience of the persons responsible for rigging operations. Qualifications and experience should include, but not be limited to, weight calculations, center of gravity determinations, selection and inspection of sling and rigging equipment, and safe rigging practices.
- C. **Crane Inspections:** Inspection records for all cranes shall be current and readily accessible for review upon request.
- D. **Certifications:** By July 1, 2006, crane operators performing critical lifts shall be certified by NC CCO (National Commission for the Certification of Crane Operators), or satisfactorily complete the Carolinas AGC's Professional Crane Operator's

Proficiency Program. Other approved nationally accredited programs will be considered upon request. All crane operators shall also have a current CDL medical card. Submit a list of anticipated critical lifts and corresponding crane operator(s). Include current certification for the type of crane operated (small hydraulic, large hydraulic, small lattice, large lattice) and medical evaluations for each operator.

SHIPPING STEEL STRUCTURAL MEMBERS

(7-18-06)

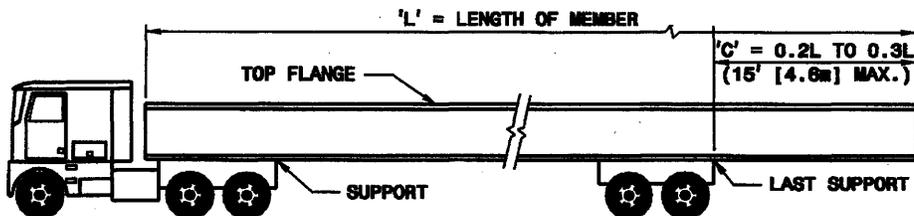
Section 1072-23 Marking and Shipping

Add the following paragraphs after the third paragraph of the Section.

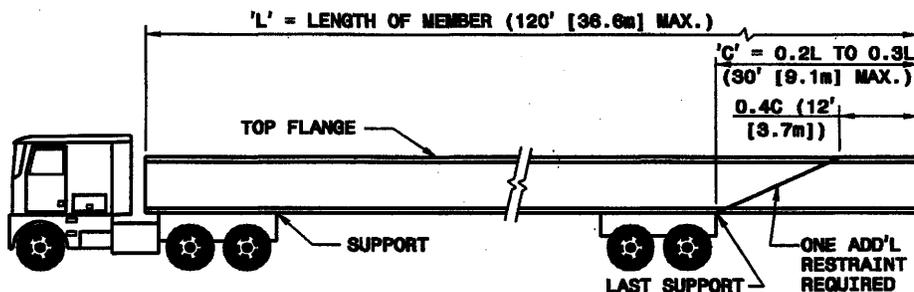
Load and ship steel beams and girders in accordance with the Figure below for all types of transportation.

Below is the sketches provided to Materials and Tests Unit on May 8, 1991. When the contractor wishes to place members on trucks not in accordance with these limits, to ship by rail, to attach shipping restraints to the members, to ship horizontally curved steel members, or to invert members, he shall submit a shipping plan prior to shipping. See also Article 1072-11.

LIMITS FOR PLACEMENT OF BEAMS AND GIRDERS DURING SHIPMENT



WHEN 'C' = 15' (4.6m) OR LESS



WHEN 'C' = OVER 15' (4.6m) THRU 30' (9.1m)

| L | MIN. 'C' | MAX 'C' |
|-------------|-----------|------------|
| 75 (22.9m) | 15 (4.6m) | 22½ (6.9m) |
| 80 (24.4m) | 16 (4.9m) | 24 (7.3m) |
| 85 (25.9m) | 17 (5.2m) | 25½ (7.8m) |
| 90 (27.4m) | 18 (5.5m) | 27 (8.2m) |
| 95 (29.0m) | 19 (5.8m) | 28½ (8.7m) |
| 100 (30.5m) | 20 (6.1m) | 30 (9.1m) |
| 105 (32.0m) | 21 (6.4m) | 30 (9.1m) |
| 110 (33.5m) | 22 (6.7m) | 30 (9.1m) |
| 115 (35.1m) | 23 (7.0m) | 30 (9.1m) |
| 120 (36.6m) | 24 (7.3m) | 30 (9.1m) |

**NOTES: ALL DIMENSIONS ARE IN FEET (METERS).
TRUCK LOADING SHOWN FOR SIMPLICITY
DIMENSIONS APPLY TO ALL TYPES OF SHIPMENTS.**

GROUT FOR STRUCTURES

(7-12-07)

1.0 DESCRIPTION

This special provision addresses grout for use in structures, including continuous flight auger (CFA) piles, micropiles, soil nail and anchored retaining walls and backfilling crosshole sonic logging (CSL) tubes or grout pockets, shear keys, dowel holes and recesses for cored slabs and box beams. This provision does not apply to grout placed in post-tensioning ducts for bridge beams, girders, or decks. Provide grout composed of portland

cement, water and at the Contractor's option, fine aggregate and/or pozzolan. If necessary, use set controlling admixtures. Proportion, mix and place grout in accordance with the plans, the applicable section of the *Standard Specifications* or special provision for the application and this provision.

2.0 MATERIALS

Refer to Division 10 of the *Standard Specifications*:

| Item | Article |
|--------------------------------------|---------|
| Portland Cement | 1024-1 |
| Water | 1024-4 |
| Fine Aggregate | 1014-1 |
| Fly Ash | 1024-5 |
| Ground Granulated Blast Furnace Slag | 1024-6 |
| Admixtures | 1024-3 |

At the Contractor's option, use an approved packaged grout in lieu of the materials above with the exception of the water. Contact the Materials and Tests (M&T) Unit for a list of approved packaged grouts. Consult the manufacturer to determine if the packaged grout selected is suitable for the application and meets the compressive strength and shrinkage requirements.

3.0 REQUIREMENTS

Unless required elsewhere in the Contract, provide non-metallic grout with minimum compressive strengths as follows:

| Property | Requirement |
|--------------------------------|---------------------|
| Compressive Strength @ 3 days | 2500 psi (17.2 MPa) |
| Compressive Strength @ 28 days | 4500 psi (31.0 MPa) |

For applications other than micropiles, soil nails and ground anchors, use non-shrink grout with shrinkage of less than 0.15%.

When using approved packaged grout, a grout mix design submittal is not required. Submit grout mix designs in terms of saturated surface dry weights on M&T Form 312U in accordance with the applicable section of the *Standard Specifications* or special provision for the structure. Use an approved testing laboratory to determine the grout mix proportions. Adjust proportions to compensate for surface moisture contained in the aggregates at the time of mixing. Changes in the saturated surface dry mix proportions will not be permitted unless a revised grout mix design submittal is accepted.

For each grout mix design, provide laboratory test results for compressive strength, density, flow and if applicable, aggregate gradation and shrinkage. Submit compressive strength for at least 3 cube and 2 cylinder specimens at the age of 3, 7, 14 and 28 days for a total of at least 20 specimens tested. Perform laboratory tests in accordance with the following:

| Property | Test Method |
|---|---|
| Compressive Strength | AASHTO T106 and T22 |
| Density | AASHTO T133 |
| Flow for Sand Cement Grout | ASTM C939 (as modified below) |
| Flow for Neat Cement Grout (no fine aggregate) | Marsh Funnel and Cup API RP 13B-1, Section 2.2 |
| Aggregate Gradation for Sand Cement Grout | AASHTO T27 |
| Shrinkage for Non-shrink Grout | ASTM C1090 |

When testing grout for flow in accordance with ASTM C939, modify the flow cone outlet diameter from $\frac{1}{2}$ to $\frac{3}{4}$ inch (13 to 19 mm).

When grout mix designs are submitted, the Engineer will review the mix designs and notify the Contractor as to their acceptability. Do not use grout mix designs until written acceptance has been received. Acceptance of grout mix designs or use of approved packaged grouts does not relieve the Contractor of responsibility to furnish a product that meets the Contract requirements.

Upon written request from the Contractor, a grout mix design accepted and used satisfactorily on a Department project may be accepted for use on other projects.

4.0 SAMPLING AND PLACEMENT

The Engineer will determine the locations to sample grout and the number and type of samples collected for field and laboratory testing. Use API RP 13B-1 for field testing grout flow and density of neat cement grout. The compressive strength of the grout will be considered the average compressive strength test results of 3 cube or 2 cylinder specimens at 28 days.

Do not place grout if the grout temperature is less than 50°F (10°C) or more than 90°F (32°C) or if the air temperature measured at the location of the grouting operation in the shade away from artificial heat is below 40°F (4°C).

Provide grout at a rate that permits proper handling, placing and finishing in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations unless directed otherwise by the Engineer. Use grout free of any lumps and undispersed cement. Agitate grout continuously before placement.

Control grout delivery so the interval between placing batches in the same component does not exceed 20 minutes. Place grout before the time between adding the mixing water and placing the grout exceeds that in the table below.

| ELAPSED TIME FOR PLACING GROUT (with continuous agitation) | | |
|---|--|---|
| Air or Grout Temperature Whichever is Higher | Maximum Elapsed Time | |
| | No Set Retarding Admixture Used | Set Retarding Admixture Used |
| 90°F (32°C) or above | 30 min. | 1 hr. 15 min. |
| 80°F (27°C) through 89°F (31°C) | 45 min. | 1 hr. 30 min. |
| 79°F (26°C) or below | 60 min. | 1 hr. 45 min. |

5.0 MISCELLANEOUS

Comply with Articles 1000-9 through 1000-12 of the *Standard Specifications* to the extent applicable for grout in lieu of concrete.

HIGH STRENGTH BOLTS

(11-17-06)

In Section 440-8(A) of the *Standard Specifications*, revise the third paragraph and insert a new paragraph four, respectively, as follows:

“Make sure that plain bolts and washers have a thin coat of lubricant at the time of installation.”

“Use nuts that are pre-waxed by the producer/supplier prior to shipping to the project.”

ADHESIVELY ANCHORED ANCHOR BOLTS OR DOWELS

(6-11-07)

1.0 GENERAL

Installation and Testing of Adhesively anchored anchor bolts and dowels shall be in accordance with Section 420-13, 420-21 and 1081-1 of the *Standard Specifications* except as modified in this provision.

2.0 INSTALLATION

Installation of the adhesive anchors shall be in accordance with manufacturer’s recommendations and shall occur when the concrete is above 40 degrees Fahrenheit and has reached its 28 day strength.

The anchors shall be installed before the adhesive’s initial set (‘gel time’).

3.0 FIELD TESTING

Replace the third paragraph of Section 420-13 (C) with the following:

“In the presence of the Engineer, field test the anchor bolt or dowel in accordance with the test level shown on the plans and the following:

Level One Field testing: Test a minimum of 1 anchor but not less than 10% of all anchors to 50% of the yield load shown on the plans. If less than 60 anchors are to be installed, install and test the required number of anchors prior to installing the remaining anchors. If more than 60 anchors are to be installed, test the first 6 anchors prior to installing the remaining anchors, then test 10% of the number in excess of 60 anchors.

Level Two Field testing: Test a minimum of 2 anchors but not less than 10% of the all anchors to 80% of the yield load shown on the plans. If less than 60 anchors are to be installed, install and test the required number of anchors prior to installing the remaining anchors. If more than 60 anchors are to be installed, test the first 6 anchors prior to installing the remaining anchors, then test 10% of the number in excess of 60 anchors.

Testing should begin only after the Manufacturer’s recommended cure time has been reached. For testing, apply and hold the test load for three minutes. If the jack experiences any drop in gage reading, the test must be restarted. For the anchor to be deemed satisfactory, the test load must be held for three minutes with no movement or drop in gage reading.”

4.0 REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT OF FAILED TEST SPECIMENS:

Remove all anchors and dowels that fail the field test without damage to the surrounding concrete. Redrill holes to remove adhesive bonding material residue and clean the hole in accordance with specifications. For reinstalling replacement anchors or dowels, follow the same procedures as new installations. Do not reuse failed anchors or dowels unless approved by the Engineer.

5.0 USAGE

The use of adhesive anchors for overhead installments is not permitted without written permission from the Engineer.

6.0 BASIS OF PAYMENT

No separate measurement or payment will be made for furnishing, installing, and testing anchor bolts/dowels. Payment at the contract unit prices for the various pay items will be full compensation for all materials, equipment, tools, labor, and incidentals necessary to complete the work.

**CONTINUOUS FLIGHT AUGER PILES FOR SOUND BARRIER
AND VISUAL BARRIER WALLS**

(SPECIAL)

1.0 GENERAL

This special provision governs the construction of continuous flight auger (CFA) piles. CFA piles are constructed by drilling a borehole with a continuous flight hollow stem auger and filling the borehole by pumping grout through the auger as it is withdrawn. After completing grout placement, reinforcement is inserted into the column of fluid grout. At the Contractor's option, construct CFA piles for sound barrier and visual barrier walls in lieu of pile excavation. Install CFA piles with the required depth in accordance with the Contract. Use a CFA Pile Subcontractor prequalified by the Contractual Services Unit of the Department for CFA pile work (work code 3110). For this provision, "pile" refers to a CFA pile and "reinforcement" refers to steel piles.

2.0 CFA PILE INSTALLATION PLAN SUBMITTAL

Provide 4 hard copies and an electronic copy (pdf or jpg format on CD or DVD) of the CFA pile installation plan submittal. Submit the installation plan at least 20 working days before starting CFA pile construction. Do not begin pile construction until the CFA pile installation plan is accepted.

Submit detailed project specific information including the following.

1. List and sizes of proposed equipment including CFA drilling rigs, augers and other drilling tools and grouting equipment.
2. Step-by-step description of CFA pile installation and sequence of pile construction.
3. Methods for placing reinforcement with procedures for supporting and positioning the reinforcement.
4. Minimum grout volume factor. The grout volume factor is equal to the grout volume placed divided by the theoretical grout volume for each depth increment. A grout volume factor of at least 1.15 is required.
5. Equipment and procedures for monitoring and recording grout volume.
6. Examples of construction records to be provided in accordance with Section 6.0.
7. Procedures for containment and disposal of drilling spoils in accordance with Section 802 of the *Standard Specifications*.
8. Grout mix design including laboratory test results in accordance with the Grout for Structures Special Provision.

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

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

3.0 MATERIALS

Use steel piles meeting the requirements of Section 1084 of the *Standard Specifications*.

Use grout in accordance with the Contract.

4.0 CFA PILE PRECONSTRUCTION MEETING

Before starting CFA pile construction, conduct a preconstruction meeting to discuss the installation and monitoring of the CFA piles. Schedule this meeting after all CFA pile submittals have been accepted and the CFA Pile Subcontractor has mobilized to the site. The Resident or Bridge Maintenance Engineer, Bridge Construction Engineer, Geotechnical Operations Engineer, General Contractor and the CFA Pile Subcontractor Superintendent, Drill Rig Operators and Project Manager will attend this preconstruction meeting.

5.0 CONSTRUCTION METHODS

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

Dispose of drilling spoils and excess waste grout in accordance with Section 802 of the *Standard Specifications* and as directed by the Engineer. Drilling spoils consist of all excavated material including water removed from boreholes.

A. Drilling

Use CFA piling rigs capable of drilling through whatever materials are encountered to the dimensions and depths shown on the plans or otherwise required by the Engineer.

Use single helix hollow stem augers with uniform diameters and continuous flights from the top of the auger to the bottom tip of the cutting face. Provide augers with flights and teeth that cut the bottom of the borehole flat. Augers with outside diameters at least 97% of the pile design diameter are required. Augers capable of installing piles to a depth 20% greater than plan depth are also required.

Unless piles are installed with a hydraulic fixed mast installation platform and the stem to which the auger is fixed has an outside diameter 10" (250 mm) or greater, at least one guide connected to the leads of the CFA piling rig is required. Prevent the leads from rotating during drilling and grouting.

Seal the grout injection port to prevent entry during drilling. Keep the hollow stem of augers clean when drilling. Clearly mark augers or leads every foot (0.3 m) along their length with markings visible to the unaided eye from the ground. Check for correct pile location and alignment before beginning drilling. Do not begin drilling until enough grout to complete the pile is on the project site.

Advance the auger into the ground at a continuous rate. Do not raise the auger until beginning grout placement. Control the auger rotation speed to prevent excess spoil from being transported to the ground surface and surrounding soil being drawn laterally into the borehole.

If muck, organics, soft soil or other unsuitable materials are encountered within 5 ft (1.5 m) of the ground surface, contact the Engineer as these materials can cause problems with top of pile construction. If auger refusal is encountered before reaching plan depth, stop the auger rotation and inform the Engineer. Unless it is determined otherwise, refusal is defined as less than 1 ft (0.3 m) of auger penetration per minute.

B. Grouting

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

Place a screen between the ready mix truck and the grout pump to remove large particles or cement balls using a mesh that has openings no larger than 3/4 inch (19 mm).

Use a positive displacement piston type pump with a known volume per stroke that can develop peak pressures at the pump of at least 350 psi (2.4 MPa). Size the pump to maintain a smooth continuous delivery of grout while limiting pressure variations (particularly pressure drops) due to pump strokes. At the beginning of construction, provide the grout volume delivered by each pump stroke and verify this value is within 3% of the actual volume. Recalibrate the grout volume per pump stroke during construction as necessary or directed by the Engineer.

Place grout in accordance with the Contract and accepted submittals. Pump grout without difficulty to fill any soft or porous zones and with sufficient pressure to ensure a continuous monolithic pile with at least the plan cross section from the maximum borehole depth to the top of the grout column. Provide grout free of segregation, intrusions, contamination, structural damage or inadequate consolidation (honeycombing).

Begin placing grout within 5 minutes after the auger has reached plan depth. At the beginning of grout placement, lift the auger 6 to 12 inches (150 to 300 mm) and remove the sealing device by applying grout pressure or with a steel bar. Do not lift the auger beyond this range in order to minimize soil movement. After grout flow is initiated, reinsert the auger to the original depth.

Pump grout continuously while extracting the auger at a smooth steady rate. Maintain a positive grout pressure at the auger injection point at all times. If rotation occurs while removing the auger, rotate the auger in the same direction as during drilling. If grout placement is suspended for any reason, inform the Engineer and re-drill the CFA pile.

Monitor the depth of the auger injection point while counting pump strokes during grouting. Record the grout volume and factor versus depth of the auger injection point in increments of 5 ft (1.5 m) or less.

C. Top of Pile Finishing and Protection

After placing grout, remove all excess grout and spoil from and place a temporary form within the top of the grout column. Use a form 3 to 5 ft (1 to 1.5 m) long with a diameter equal to or larger than the pile diameter. Place the form with equal lengths above and below the ground surface. Recheck the top of the grout and remove any foreign material. After the grout has reached initial set as determined by the Engineer, remove the form without disturbing the ground surface around the pile.

After placing the reinforcement, square the top of the CFA pile with the pile axis while grout is still fluid or by cutting off hardened grout. Construct the top of CFA pile to the elevation shown on the plans.

D. Reinforcement

Provide reinforcement for CFA piles consisting of steel piles as shown on the plans and accepted submittals. Place reinforcement as a unit while the grout is still fluid. Lower or gently push reinforcement into the grout. Do not vibrate or drive the reinforcement. Support the reinforcement at the ground surface until the grout strength reaches 2,500 psi (17.2 MPa). Contact the Engineer if reinforcement can not be properly inserted to the required depth.

6.0 CONSTRUCTION RECORDS

Provide 2 original hard copies of CFA pile construction records including the following after completing each pile.

1. Names of CFA Pile Subcontractor, Superintendent, Drill Rig Operator and Project Manager
2. Project description, county, NCDOT Contract, TIP and WBS element number
3. Wall station and number and pile location and identifier
4. The grout volume and factor versus depth of the auger injection point in increments of 5 ft (1.5 m) or less
5. CFA pile diameter, length and tip elevation, top of pile and ground surface elevations
6. Auger diameter and theoretical volume of the borehole
7. Grout temperature and flow for each ready mix truck

8. Size, length, top elevation and grade of reinforcement
9. Date and time drilling begins and ends, grout is mixed and arrives on-site, pumping grout begins and ends and reinforcement is placed
10. Weather conditions including air temperature at time of grout placement
11. All other pertinent details related to CFA pile construction

After completing all CFA piles for a sound barrier wall or visual barrier wall, submit electronic copies (pdf or jpg format on CD or DVD) of all corresponding construction records.

7.0 CFA PILE ACCEPTANCE

CFA pile acceptance is based on the following criteria.

1. Grout volume factor is greater than the minimum required for any 5 ft (1.5 m) depth increment.
2. Grout is in accordance with the Contract and does not have any evidence of segregation, intrusions, contamination, structural damage or inadequate consolidation (honeycombing).
3. CFA pile and reinforcement location, alignment and elevations are within tolerances for sound barrier walls or visual barrier walls for pile excavation and steel piles are in accordance with the Contract and accepted submittals.

If the Engineer determines a CFA pile is unacceptable or unsatisfactory, additional testing, remedial measures or replacement piles are required at no additional cost to the Department. Obtain approval for remediation proposals before performing work. No compensation will be made for losses or damages for remedial work or investigation of unacceptable or unsatisfactory piles.

8.0 MEASUREMENT AND PAYMENT

Include the cost of the CFA piles in the unit bid price for "Sound Barrier Wall" or "Visual Barrier Wall". No separate payment will be made for the CFA piles. Include in this unit bid price all costs for submittals, monitoring and recording, labor, tools, equipment, reinforcement and grout complete and in place and all incidentals necessary to drill and construct CFA piles in accordance with this provision. No additional payment will be made for drilling through non-soil materials or any costs associated with unacceptable CFA piles.

SOLDIER PILE RETAINING WALLS

(SPECIAL)

1.0 GENERAL

A soldier pile retaining wall consists of steel H piles driven or placed in drilled holes and partially filled with concrete and either precast concrete panels set in the pile flanges or a

cast-in-place reinforced concrete face connected to the front of the piles. Timber lagging is typically used for temporary support of the excavation during construction. Design and construct soldier pile retaining walls based on actual elevations and dimensions in accordance with the contract and accepted submittals. For this provision, “soldier pile wall” refers to a soldier pile retaining wall. Also, “panels” refers to precast concrete panels and “concrete facing” refers to a cast-in-place reinforced concrete face.

2.0 SUBMITTALS

Two submittals are required which include the soldier pile wall design and installation submittals. Provide 11 hard copies of working drawings and 3 hard copies of design calculations for the soldier pile wall design submittal and 4 hard copies of the soldier pile wall installation submittal. Also, submit an electronic copy (pdf or jpeg format on CD or DVD) of each submittal. Provide the soldier pile wall installation submittal at least 30 calendar days before conducting the soldier pile wall preconstruction meeting. Do not begin soldier pile wall construction until both submittals are accepted.

A. Soldier Pile Wall Design Submittal

The Retaining Wall Plans show plan views, typical sections, details, notes and elevation or profile views (wall envelope) for each soldier pile wall. When noted on plans and before beginning soldier pile wall design, survey all existing ground elevations shown on the plans and submit a revised wall envelope for review and acceptance. Use the accepted revised wall envelope for design.

Design soldier pile walls in accordance with the plans and Section 5.6 of the *AASHTO Standard Specifications for Highway Bridges* unless otherwise required. Design walls for a maximum deflection of 1.5” (38 mm) and a maximum pile spacing of 10 ft (3 m). Provide temporary support of excavations taller than 5 ft (1.5 m) and timber lagging in accordance with the *AASHTO Guide Design Specifications for Bridge Temporary Works*. At the Contractor’s option and when noted on plans, provide a temporary slope in lieu of temporary support of excavations. Design temporary slopes for a minimum factor of safety of 1.3. Do not extend temporary slopes beyond right-of-way or easement lines.

At the Contractor’s option, use driven or drilled-in piles for soldier pile walls with concrete facing unless required otherwise on the plans. For soldier pile walls with panels, use drilled-in piles. Install drilled-in piles by excavating holes with diameters that result in at least 3” (75 mm) of clearance all around piles.

At the Contractor’s option, use panels or concrete facing unless required otherwise on the plans. Design panels and concrete facing in accordance with the plans and Section 8 of the *AASHTO Standard Specifications for Highway Bridges* unless otherwise required. Provide reinforcement of sufficient density to satisfy Section 8.16.8.4 of the AASHTO specifications. Use a minimum panel thickness of 6” (150 mm) and a minimum concrete facing thickness of 8” (200 mm).

A 6 inch (150 mm) thick unreinforced cast-in-place concrete or aggregate leveling pad is required beneath the panels or concrete facing. Embed the top of leveling pad a minimum of 1 ft (0.3 m) below where finished grade intersects the front face of the soldier pile wall.

With the exception of fill areas or when using a temporary slope, fill voids behind panels with stone backfill. Cast-in-place concrete coping is required for all soldier pile walls with panels.

Submit working drawings and design calculations for review and acceptance in accordance with Article 105-2 of the *Standard Specifications*. Submit working drawings showing plan views, wall profiles with pile locations and typical sections with details of piles, drainage, temporary support of excavations and panels or concrete facing and reinforcing. If necessary, include details on working drawings for obstructions interfering with piles or extending through walls. Submit design calculations for each wall section with different surcharge loads, wall geometry or material parameters. When using a software program for design, provide a hand calculation verifying the analysis of the tallest wall section. Also, submit design calculations for temporary support of excavations or slope stability calculations for temporary slopes, if applicable. Have soldier pile walls designed, detailed and sealed by a Professional Engineer registered in North Carolina.

B. Soldier Pile Wall Installation Plan Submittal

Provide project specific installation information including a detailed construction sequence. For driven piles, submit proposed pile driving methods and equipment in accordance with Article 450-5 of the *Standard Specifications*. For drilled-in piles, submit installation details including drilling equipment and the method for stabilizing the holes. Also, submit the method for temporary support of excavations during construction, if applicable, and any other information shown on the plans or requested by the Engineer.

If alternate installation procedures are proposed or necessary, a revised installation plan submittal may be required. If the work deviates from the accepted submittal without prior approval, the Engineer may suspend soldier pile wall 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 all soldier pile wall materials with the exception of steel piles. Load, transport, unload and store soldier pile wall materials such that they are kept clean and free of damage. Damaged panels with excessive discoloration, chips or cracks as determined by the Engineer will be rejected.

Use timber lagging with a minimum allowable bending stress of 1000 psi (6.9 MPa) that meets the requirements of Article 1082-1 of the *Standard Specifications*.

A. Steel Piles

Use steel H piles meeting the requirements of Article 1084-1 of the *Standard Specifications*. For soldier pile walls with concrete facing, provide welded stud shear connectors in accordance with Article 1072-8 of the *Standard Specifications*. For soldier pile walls without concrete facing or veneers, galvanize steel piles in accordance with Section 1076 of the *Standard Specifications*.

For drilled-in piles, use excavatable flowable fill in accordance with Article 340-2 of the *Standard Specifications* and Class A Concrete in accordance with Article 1000-4 of the *Standard Specifications* except as modified herein. Provide concrete with a slump of 6 to 8 inches (150 to 200 mm). Use an approved high-range water reducer to achieve this slump.

1. Painting Piles

When a note on plans requires painting piles, smooth, clean, prepare and shop paint portions of galvanized piles that will not be encased in concrete below ground in accordance with Sections 442 and 1080 of the *Standard Specifications* with the exception of the following. Provide shop certification in accordance with Article 442-10 of the *Standard Specifications* regardless of the quantity of painted steel.

Smooth high spots and rough edges, such as metal drip lines, of galvanized surfaces in accordance with ASTM D6386. Clean galvanized surfaces to be painted with a 2500 psi (17.2 MPa) pressure washer. Allow surfaces to dry completely before beginning surface preparation.

Prepare galvanized surfaces to be painted by sweep blasting in accordance with ASTM D6386. Use an abrasive material and technique that roughens the surface while leaving base zinc layers intact. After sweep blasting, blow down blasted surfaces with clean, dry, compressed air free of contamination.

Apply paint to clean, dry surfaces free of visible zinc oxides or zinc hydroxides within 8 hours of surface preparation. Use the paint system below for painting piles gray. For painting piles other colors, contact the NCDOT Materials & Tests Unit for an appropriate paint system.

| Coat | Material* | Dry/Wet Film Thickness (mils) | |
|--------------|---------------|-------------------------------|---------|
| | | Min | Max |
| Intermediate | 1080-12 Brown | 3.0 DFT | 5.0 DFT |
| Stripe | 1080-12 White | 4.0 WFT | 7.0 WFT |
| Topcoat | 1080-12 Gray | 2.0 DFT | 4.0 DFT |
| Total | | 5.0 DFT | 9.0 DFT |

* See Article 1080-12 of the *Standard Specifications*

B. Precast Concrete Panels

Provide precast concrete panels meeting the requirements of Sections 1000 and 1077 of the *Standard Specifications* and reinforcing steel meeting the requirements of Section 1070 of the *Standard Specifications*. Produce panels within ¼ inch (6 mm) of the panel dimensions shown in the accepted submittals.

A minimum compressive strength of 4000 psi (27.6 MPa) at 28 days is required. For testing panels for compressive strength, 4 cylinders are required per 2000 ft² (186 m²) of panel face area or a single day's production, whichever is less.

Unless an exposed aggregate finish is required, provide a final finish in accordance with Article 1077-11 of the *Standard Specifications*.

1. Exposed Aggregate Finish

When a note on plans requires panels with an exposed aggregate finish, provide an exposed aggregate finish on roadway faces of panels with a depth of exposure ranging from 0 to ¼ inch (0 to 6 mm). Before beginning panel production, furnish three 12" by 12" (300 mm by 300 mm) sample panels to establish acceptable variations in color, texture and uniformity of the finish. After the sample panels are accepted and within 30 days of beginning panel production, produce a reinforced test panel of the largest size that will be used for the soldier pile walls with the accepted exposed aggregate finish and in accordance with the accepted submittals. Acceptance of the appearance of the panels during production will be based on the test panel and accepted sample panels.

Use aggregate and cement from the same source as was used for the test panel and accepted sample panels to produce the panels. Provide access to visually inspect the entire finish of each completed panel and compare it to the test panel appearance before stacking panels. Replace the test panel with a new test panel every 3 months during panel production.

C. Stone Backfill

Use stone backfill that meets the requirements of Class VI Select Material in accordance with Section 1016 of the *Standard Specifications*.

D. Leveling Pads

Use Class VI Select Material in accordance with Section 1016 of the *Standard Specifications* for aggregate leveling pads.

E. Concrete Facing, Coping and Moment Slabs

Provide concrete facing, coping and moment slabs meeting the requirements of Section 1000 of the *Standard Specifications* and reinforcing steel meeting the requirements of

Section 1070 of the *Standard Specifications*. Use Class A Concrete in accordance with Article 1000-4 of the *Standard Specifications*.

If precast panels are used, provide steel dowels at a maximum spacing of 5 ft. to connect the coping to the precast panels. The dowels should meet the requirements of Section 1070-6 of the *Standard Specifications*.

F. Joint Materials

Use joint materials in accordance with Section 1028 of the *Standard Specifications*

G. Rip Rap

Place Class B Riprap to a minimum thickness of 1 ft. in front of the wall to the bottom of the ditch. The Riprap should meet the requirements of Section 1042 of the *Standard Specifications*.

4.0 SOLDIER PILE WALL PRECONSTRUCTION MEETING

Before starting soldier pile wall construction, conduct a preconstruction meeting to discuss the construction and inspection of the soldier pile walls. Schedule this meeting after all soldier pile wall submittals have been accepted. The Resident or Bridge Maintenance Engineer, Bridge Construction Engineer, Geotechnical Operations Engineer, Contractor and Soldier Pile Wall Contractor Superintendent will attend this preconstruction meeting.

5.0 CONSTRUCTION METHODS

Control drainage during construction in the vicinity of soldier pile walls. Collect and direct run off away from soldier pile walls and areas above and behind walls. Contain and maintain wall backfill and protect material from erosion.

Perform all necessary clearing and grubbing in accordance with Section 200 of the *Standard Specifications*. Notify the Engineer before blasting in the vicinity of soldier pile walls. Perform blasting in accordance with the contract. Install foundations located behind soldier pile walls and within a horizontal distance equal to the tallest wall section before beginning soldier pile wall construction.

Do not excavate behind soldier pile walls unless a temporary slope is shown in the accepted submittals. If overexcavation occurs and is not approved, repair walls at no additional cost to the Department with a method proposed by the Contractor and accepted by the Engineer. A revised soldier pile wall installation plan submittal may be required.

If a temporary slope is shown in the accepted submittals, excavate the slope before installing piles. Otherwise, install piles before excavating. Cure concrete for drilled-in piles a minimum of 7 days before proceeding with soldier pile wall construction.

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

A. Pile Installation

Install piles in accordance with the accepted submittals and this provision. Do not splice piles. If necessary, cut off piles at elevations shown in the accepted submittals.

For driven piles, drive piles with no negative batter (piles leaning forward) to the specified elevations in accordance with Section 450 of the *Standard Specifications* unless otherwise required. Be aware that even if piles meet the requirements of Article 450-6 of the *Standard Specifications*, alignment variations between piles may result in a significantly thicker concrete facing in some locations in order to provide the minimum required facing thickness elsewhere. No additional payment will be made for concrete facing thicker than the minimum required. Locate driven piles such that the minimum required facing thickness and clearance between the wall face and roadways is maintained for varying pile alignments.

For drilled-in piles, excavate holes with the dimensions shown in the accepted submittals. Perform pile excavation to required elevations and place piles horizontally and vertically within 1 inch (25 mm) of plan location with no negative batter. If overexcavation occurs, fill to required elevations with stone backfill before setting piles. After placing piles in drilled holes, fill around piles with concrete to the elevations shown in the accepted submittals. Remove any fluid above the concrete and fill remaining portions of holes with flowable fill.

1. Pile Excavation

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 only permitted when approved by the Engineer. Dispose of drilling spoils in accordance with Section 802 of the *Standard Specifications* and as directed by the Engineer. Drilling spoils consist of all excavated materials including fluids removed from excavations by pumps or drilling tools.

If unstable, caving or sloughing soils are anticipated or encountered, stabilize excavations with either slurry or steel casing. When using slurry, submit slurry details including product information, manufacturer's recommendations for use, slurry equipment details and written approval from the slurry supplier that the mixing water is acceptable before beginning drilling. When using steel casing, use either the sectional type or one continuous corrugated or non-corrugated piece. Steel casings should consist of clean watertight steel of ample strength to withstand handling and driving stresses and the pressures imposed by concrete, earth and backfill. Use steel casings with an outside diameter equal to the hole size and a minimum wall thickness of $\frac{1}{4}$ inch (6 mm).

2. Concrete Placement

Before placing concrete, support and center piles in excavations and remove any fluid from holes. Check the water inflow rate at the bottom of holes after all pumps

have been removed. If the inflow rate is less than 6" (150 mm) per half hour, remove any fluid and free fall concrete into excavations. Ensure that concrete flows completely around piles. If the water inflow rate is greater than 6" (150 mm) per half hour, propose and obtain acceptance of a concrete placement procedure before placing concrete. Place concrete in a continuous manner and remove all casings.

B. Excavation

If a temporary slope is shown in the accepted submittals, construct soldier pile walls by excavating the slope in accordance with the accepted submittals. Otherwise, construct soldier pile walls from the top down by removing material in front of walls and in between piles as needed in accordance with the following.

Excavate in staged horizontal lifts with heights not to exceed 5 ft (1.5 m). Use timber lagging or some other approved method for temporary support of excavations in accordance with the accepted submittals. Install temporary support within 24 hours of excavating each lift unless approved otherwise by the Engineer. The installation may be delayed if it can be demonstrated that the delay will not adversely affect the excavation face stability. If the excavation face will be exposed for more than 24 hours, use polyethylene sheets anchored at the top and bottom of the lift to protect the face from changes in moisture content.

If the excavation face becomes unstable at any time, suspend soldier pile wall construction and temporarily stabilize the face by immediately placing an earth berm against the unstable face. Soldier pile wall construction may not proceed until remedial measures are proposed by the Contractor and accepted by the Engineer. A revised soldier pile wall installation plan submittal may be required.

Do not excavate subsequent lifts until the temporary support for the preceding lift has been installed.

C. Leveling Pads, Panels and Concrete Facing

Construct leveling pads and drains at elevations and with dimensions shown in the accepted submittals. Construct drains in accordance with Section 816 of the *Standard Specifications*. Compact standard size no. 57 stone for aggregate leveling pads with a vibratory compactor to the satisfaction of the Engineer.

Set panels against pile flanges as shown in the accepted submittals. Ensure at least 2" (50 mm) of contact in the horizontal direction between the panel faces and pile flanges. If contact can not be maintained, remove panels, fill gaps with joint filler and reset panels. Support panels securely until enough backfill is placed to hold panels in place.

Construct cast-in-place reinforced concrete facing in accordance with the accepted submittals and Section 420 of the *Standard Specifications*. Do not remove forms until concrete achieves a minimum compressive strength of 2400 psi (16.5 MPa). Unless required otherwise on the plans, provide a Class 2 Surface Finish for roadway faces of concrete facing in accordance with Article 420-17 of the *Standard Specifications*.

Construct concrete facing joints at a maximum spacing of 30 ft (9 m) unless required otherwise on the plans. Half-inch (13 mm) thick expansion joints in accordance with Article 420-10 of the *Standard Specifications* are required every third joint. Half-inch (13 mm) deep grooved contraction joints in accordance with Subarticle 825-10(B) of the *Standard Specifications* are required for the remaining joints. Stop reinforcement 2" (50 mm) from either side of expansion joints. Seal joints above and behind soldier pile walls between concrete facing and pavements with joint sealer.

If a brick veneer is required as shown on the plans, construct brick masonry in accordance with Section 830 of the *Standard Specifications*. Anchor brick veneer to panels or concrete facing with approved brick to concrete type anchors according to the manufacturer's specifications with a minimum vertical spacing of 16" (400 mm) and a minimum horizontal spacing of 32" (800 mm) with each row staggered 16" (400 mm) from the row of anchors above and below.

D. Backfill

For fill sections or if a temporary slope is shown in the accepted submittals, backfill behind panels and concrete facing in accordance with Article 410-8 of the *Standard Specifications*. Otherwise, for soldier pile walls with panels, backfill behind panels with stone backfill as shown in the accepted submittals. Ensure that standard size no. 57 stone fills all voids between panels and piles and the excavation face. Compact stone to the satisfaction of the Engineer.

E. Coping and Moment Slabs

Construct cast-in-place concrete coping as shown in the accepted submittals. Construct coping and moment slabs in accordance with Section 420 of the *Standard Specifications*. Do not remove forms until concrete achieves a minimum compressive strength of 2400 psi (16.5 MPa). Provide a Class 2 Surface Finish for cast-in-place coping in accordance with Article 420-17 of the *Standard Specifications*. Construct concrete barrier rail coping with moment slabs in accordance with the plans and barrier rail coping in accordance with Subarticle 460-3(C) of the *Standard Specifications*.

Construct coping joints at a maximum spacing of 10 ft (3 m). Half-inch (13 mm) thick expansion joints in accordance with Article 420-10 of the *Standard Specifications* are required every third joint. Half-inch (13 mm) deep grooved contraction joints in accordance with Subarticle 825-10(B) of the *Standard Specifications* are required for the remaining joints. Stop coping reinforcement 2" (50 mm) from either side of expansion joints. Seal joints above and behind soldier pile walls between coping and pavements with joint sealer.

F. Coating Cleaning and Repair

After wall construction is complete, clean exposed galvanized or painted surfaces of piles with a 2500 psi (17.2 MPa) pressure washer. Repair galvanized surfaces that are exposed and damaged in accordance with Article 1076-6 of the *Standard Specifications*. Repair painted surfaces that are exposed and damaged by applying 4.0

to 7.0 mils wet of a topcoat to damaged areas with brushes or rollers. Use the same paint for damaged areas as used for the topcoat when painting piles initially. Feather or taper topcoats in damaged areas to be level with surrounding areas.

6.0 MEASUREMENT AND PAYMENT

Soldier Pile Retaining Walls will be measured and paid for in square feet (meters). The quantity of soldier pile walls will be measured as the exposed face area with the wall height equal to the difference between the top and bottom of wall elevation. The top of wall elevation is defined as where the finished grade intersects the back face of the soldier pile wall. The bottom of wall elevation is defined as where the finished grade intersects the front face of the soldier pile wall. No payment will be made for portions of soldier pile walls below bottom of wall elevations.

The contract unit price bid for *Soldier Pile Retaining Walls* will be full compensation for design, submittals, furnishing labor, tools, equipment and materials, installing piles, excavating, providing temporary support of excavations, wall drainage networks, reinforcement, leveling pads, panels and concrete facing, backfill and any incidentals necessary to design and construct soldier pile walls in accordance with this provision. If necessary, the contract unit price bid for *Soldier Pile Retaining Walls* will also be full compensation for coating piles and providing brick veneers and barrier rail coping with moment slabs in accordance with the contract.

Payment will be made under:

| Pay Item | Pay Unit |
|------------------------------|-----------------|
| Soldier Pile Retaining Walls | Square Foot |