



PROJECT SPECIAL PROVISIONS
Utility Construction

GENERAL CONSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS:

Specifications:

The proposed utility construction shall meet the applicable requirements of the NC Department of Transportation's "Standard Specifications for Roads and Structures" dated January 2002 and the following provisions.

The Contractor is herein forewarned as to the possibility of having to vary the depth of pipeline installation to achieve minimum clearance of existing or proposed utilities or storm drainage while maintaining minimum cover specified (whether existing or proposed pipelines, conduits, cables, mains, and storm drainage are shown on the plans or not).

On new force main sewers or water lines, and tie in sections of existing force main sewers or water lines, the method of anchoring pipe bends, valves, and related appurtenances will be the responsibility of the Contractor. Tying in to existing force main sewers or water lines may alter such lines to the extent that these pipelines with existing pipe bends, valves and related appurtenances may also require reaction backing; this work shall also be the responsibility of the Contractor.

The Contractor shall submit his proposed method of anchoring to the Engineer for review and approval prior to any applicable force main sewer construction. Such approval will not relieve the Contractor of his responsibility of properly anchoring the force main sewers. Concrete thrust blocking and/or thrust collars shall be installed as noted on the utility construction plans and details, and as directed by the Engineer, and shall be incidental to the pipe being anchored.

Owner and Owner's Requirements:

The existing waterline belongs to the Triple Community Water Corporation. The contact person for the Triple Community Water Corporation is Mr. Archie Lowman who can be reached at (828)874-2051. The Contractor shall provide access for the owner's representatives to all phases of utility construction. The owners shall be notified two weeks prior to commencement of any utility work and one week prior to service interruption.

After the installed pipe, fittings, valves, hydrants, corporation stops and end plugs are inserted and secured, the pipeline shall be subjected to a hydrostatic pressure of 200 PSI for a period of 2 hours, by pumping the section full of clean water using an approved pressure pump. Cross connection for flushing and

chlorination shall be made by means of a temporary connection from the supply pipe with an approved backflow prevention device. Cross connection and blowoff piping shall be 2" in diameter for mains 8" in diameter and smaller, and 4" in diameter for mains greater than 8" but less than 16" in diameter. Taps for the cross connection piping shall be made to the portion of the existing water main that will be removed from service. The proposed water main shall be laid to within one pipe length of the point of final connection prior to flushing and testing. All flushing and chlorination work shall be performed in accordance with AWWA C651-99. All fittings, valves, backflow prevention devices required for chlorination and testing shall be incidental to the cost of the proposed pipe being tested.

Any cracked, damaged, or defective pipe, fittings, valves, hydrants, or other attachments discovered as a result of the pressure test, shall be removed and replaced with sound material. The tests shall be repeated until test results are satisfactory.

After the pressure test is complete, the Contractor shall make a leakage test. Such leakage test shall last at least 2 hours at a pressure of 200 PSI. The pressure test and leakage test may be performed concurrently.

All valves on the lines being sterilized shall be opened and closed several times during the chlorinating period. The pipeline shall then be flushed with clean water until the residual chlorine is reduced to less than 1.0 ppm or at the same level as in the existing water mains. Samples of water shall be taken by the Contractor at points along the pipeline in approved containers and submitted to a certified testing laboratory for bacterial and chlorine content. The Contractor will provide copies of the certified test reports to the Engineer who will in turn provide certified copies to the Triple Community Water Corporation.

Water meters that require relocation shall be relocated as shown on the utility construction plans. Relocation of the water meters shall be paid for as noted in the Standard Specifications. Should backflow prevention devices be present on the existing water meters, relocation of such devices shall be incidental.

The owners shall be notified in advance of any interruptions of water or sewer service with ample time to make arrangements. Interruption of water service on main lines shall be limited to a maximum of 4 hours unless approved by the Engineer. This is extremely important due to the fact that customers along this project have specific water supply requirements.

Utilities and Utility Locations Shown on the Plans:

The location, size, and type material of the existing utilities shown on the plans is from the best available information. The Contractor will be responsible for determining the exact location, size, and type material of the existing facilities

necessary for the construction of the proposed utilities and to avoid damage to existing facilities.

All water lines shall be installed with a minimum of three feet of cover. Installation that requires more than six feet of fill over the proposed line shall be evaluated by the Engineer on a case by case basis.

Gate Valves and Butterfly Valves:

All butterfly valves and gate valves shall conform to the requirements of ANSI/AWWA C504 and/or ANSI/AWWA C509. The direction of rotation of the handwheel or wrench nut to open the valve shall be to the left or counterclockwise.

The ductile iron river crossing pipe shown on the plans at the creek crossing shall be buried a minimum of 36" below the streambed.

COMPENSATION:

No direct payment will be made for utility construction work required by the preceding provisions, which are general requirements applying to utility construction, and all of the requirements stated will be considered incidental work, paid for at the contract unit prices of the various utility items included in the contract.

BEDDING MATERIAL:

Bedding material for utility lines shall be installed in accordance with the applicable utility provisions herein, as shown on the utility construction plans, and/or as directed by the Engineer.

Bedding material shall meet the requirements of Article 1016-3 of the Standard Specifications. Bedding material shall be installed in accordance with Articles 300-6 and 300-7 of the Standard Specifications.

Bedding material installed in accordance with the plans and provisions herein and accepted, will be measured and paid for at the contract unit price per ton for "Bedding Material, Utilities Class _____". Such prices and payments shall be full compensation for all materials, labor, equipment, compaction and shaping the bedding material in accordance with the Standard Specifications, and incidentals necessary to complete the work as required.

PROJECT SPECIAL PROVISIONS
UTILITYUTILITIES BY OTHERS

General:

The following utility companies have facilities that will be in conflict with the construction of this project:

BellSouth

The conflicting facilities of these concerns will be adjusted prior to the date of availability unless otherwise noted, and are therefore listed in these special provisions for the benefit of the Contractor. The utility owner will perform all utility work listed herein. All utilities are shown on these plans based on the best available information.

The Contractor's attention is directed to Article 105.8 of the Standard Specifications for Roads and Structures, January 2002.

BellSouth

BellSouth will temporarily relocate their buried telephone cables on the north side of -L-. They will relocate their buried telephone cables permanently on the north side of -L- after the project has been completed.

See Utilities by Others plans for relocation details.