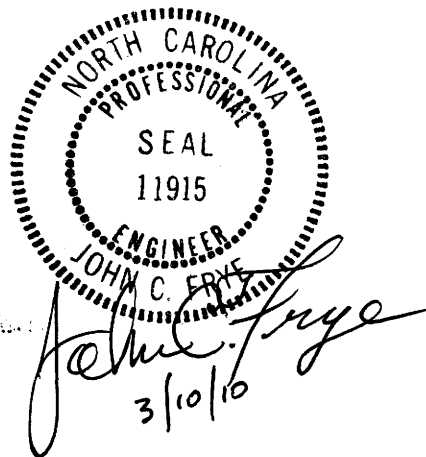


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Structures**

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PROJECT SPECIAL PROVISIONS
STRUCTURE

PROJECT B-4641

SCOTLAND COUNTY

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

(1-27-10)

1.0 DESCRIPTION

Elastomeric concrete is a mixture of a two-part polymer consisting of polyurethane and/or epoxy and kiln-dried aggregate. Provide an elastomeric concrete and binder system that is preapproved. 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 (or at the end of the specified curing time).

ELASTOMERIC CONCRETE PROPERTIES	TEST METHOD	MINIMUM REQUIREMENT
Compressive Strength, psi (MPa)	(a) STM D695	2000 (13.8)
5% Deflection Resilience	ASTM D695	95
Splitting Tensile Strength	ASTM D3967	625 (4.31)
Bond Strength to Concrete, psi (MPa)	ASTM D882 (D882M)	450 (3.10)
Durometer Hardness	ASTM D2240	50

BINDER PROPERTIES (without aggregate)	TEST METHOD	MINIMUM REQUIREMENT
Tensile Strength, psi (MPa)	ASTM D638	1000 (6.89)
Ultimate Elongation	ASTM D638	150%
Tear Resistance, lb/in (kN/m)	ASTM D624	200 (34.9)

In addition to the requirements above, the elastomeric concrete must be resistant to water, chemical, UV and ozone exposure and withstand temperature extremes. Elastomeric concrete systems requiring preheated aggregates are not allowed.

3.0 PREQUALIFICATION

Manufacturers of elastomeric concrete materials shall submit samples (including aggregate, primer and binder materials) and a Type 4 certification in accordance with article 106-3 (F) of the Standard Specifications for prequalification to:

North Carolina Department of Transportation
Materials and Tests Unit
1801 Blue Ridge Road
Raleigh, NC 27607

Prequalification will be determined for the system. Individual components will not be evaluated, nor will individual components of previously evaluated systems be deemed prequalified for use.

The submitted binder (a minimum volume of 1 gallon) and corresponding aggregate samples will be evaluated for compliance with the Materials requirements specified above. Systems satisfying all of the Materials requirements will be prequalified for a one year period. Before the end of this period new product samples shall be resubmitted for prequalification evaluation.

If, at any time, any formulation or component modifications are made to a prequalified system that system will no longer be approved for use.

4.0 MATERIAL CERTIFICATION AND INSTALLATION

Provide a Type 5 certification in accordance with article 106-3 (F) of the Standard Specifications, verifying that the materials satisfy the above requirements and proof of NCDOT prequalification.

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.

Provide a manufacturer's representative at the bridge site during the installation of the elastomeric concrete to ensure that all steps being performed comply with all manufacturer installation requirements including, but not limited to weather conditions (ambient temperature, relative humidity, precipitation, wind, etc), concrete deck surface preparation, binder and aggregate mixing, primer application, elastomeric concrete placement, curing conditions and minimum curing time before joint exposure to traffic.

5.0 FIELD SAMPLING

Provide additional production material to allow freshly mixed elastomeric concrete to be sampled for acceptance. A minimum of six 2 inch cube molds and three 3x6 inch cylinders will be taken by the Department for each day's production. Compression, splitting tensile, and durometer hardness testing will be performed by the Department to determine acceptance. Materials failing to meet the requirements listed above are subject to removal and replacement at no cost to the Department.

6.0 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

(8-4-09)

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 or metalize these devices. Electroplating will not be allowed. 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

(1-27-10)

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
of Transportation
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.
State Bridge Design Engineer
North Carolina Department
of Transportation
Structure Design Unit
1000 Birch Ridge Drive
Raleigh, NC 27610
Attention: Mr. P. D. Lambert, P. E.

Submittals may also be made via email.

Send submittals to:

plambert@ncdot.gov (Paul Lambert)

Send an additional e-copy of the submittal to the following address:

jgaither@ncdot.gov (James Gaither)

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

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

Via US mail:

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The status of the review of structure-related submittals sent to the Structure Design Unit can be viewed from the Unit's web site, via the "Contractor Submittal" link.

Direct any questions concerning submittal review status, review comments or drawing markups to the following contacts:

Primary Structures Contact:	Paul Lambert (919) 250 – 4041 (919) 250 – 4082 facsimile plambert@ncdot.gov
Secondary Structures Contacts:	James Gaither (919) 250 – 4042 David Stark (919) 250 – 4044
Eastern Regional Geotechnical Contact (Divisions 1-7):	K. J. Kim (919) 662 – 4710 (919) 662 – 3095 facsimile kkim@ncdot.gov
Western Regional Geotechnical Contact (Divisions 8-14):	John Pilipchuk (704) 455 – 8902 (704) 455 – 8912 facsimile jpilipchuk@ncdot.gov

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

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
Contractor Designed Shoring	7	2	“Temporary Shoring”, “Anchored Temporary Shoring” & “Temporary Soil Nail Walls”

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.

**CONSTRUCTION, MAINTENANCE AND REMOVAL
OF TEMPORARY ACCESS AT STATION 15+97.50-L-**

(11-17-06)

1.0 GENERAL

Construct, maintain, and remove the temporary access required to provide the working area necessary for construction of the new bridge, construction of the temporary detour structure, or for the removal of an existing bridge, as applicable. Temporary access may include other methods than those outlined in this Special Provision; however, all types of temporary access are required to meet the requirements of all permits, the Standard Specifications, and this Special Provision.

2.0 TEMPORARY WORK BRIDGE

Construction of a temporary work bridge is permitted as shown on the plans. The temporary work bridge shall have a minimum span length of 20 feet. Submit details of the temporary work bridge to the Engineer prior to constructing the work bridge to ensure conformance with the plans and all permits. Completely remove the temporary bridge prior to final acceptance or as otherwise required by the permits.

3.0 BASIS OF PAYMENT

The lump sum price bid for "Construction, Maintenance and Removal of Temporary Access at Station _____" will be full compensation for the above work, or other methods of access, including all material, work bridge components, equipment, tools, labor, disposal, and incidentals necessary to complete the work.

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.

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- 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.

CONCRETE WEARING SURFACE

(7-18-06)

1.0 GENERAL

This Special Provision governs materials, forming, and all other related work in the construction of a reinforced concrete wearing surface in accordance with applicable parts of the Standard Specifications, the details shown on the plans, and as outlined in these Special Provisions.

2.0 MATERIALS

Unless otherwise noted on the plans, use class AA concrete and a coarse aggregate gradation of 78M. The Class AA concrete shall contain fly ash or ground granulated blast furnace slag at the substitution rate specified in Article 1024-1 and in accordance with Articles 1024-5 and 1024-6 of the Standard Specifications. Place the wearing surface according to the grades, thicknesses and cross sections shown on the plans.

3.0 PREPARATION OF SURFACE

Prepare all surfaces to be overlaid using the equipment specified herein and prior to placing the epoxy coated reinforcing steel. Additionally, clean the surface within 48 hours prior to placing the overlay unless otherwise approved.

Thoroughly soak the cleaned surface for at least 12 hours prior to placing the concrete wearing surface. While soaking the surface, cover it with a layer of white opaque polyethylene film that is at least 4 mils (0.100 mm) thick. Immediately prior to placing the concrete wearing surface, remove standing water from the surface.

4.0 EQUIPMENT

Prior to beginning any work, obtain approval for all equipment to be used for deck preparation, placing, finishing, and curing the concrete wearing surface.

For surface preparation, use sandblasting or pressure washing equipment capable of removing all foreign matter. If using high pressure water blast, a minimum nozzle pressure of 3000 psi is required.

5.0 PLACING AND FINISHING

Follow the placing, finishing, and curing requirements of Article 420-14 (A) and (B). Construction Joints other than those shown on the plans are not permitted.

6.0 LIMITATIONS OF OPERATIONS

The requirements of Article 420-20 will apply to placing vehicles and construction equipment on the finished concrete wearing surface.

Use insulation that meets the requirements of Article 420-7(C), and if required, place it on the concrete wearing surface as soon as the initial set permits.

7.0 METHOD OF MEASUREMENT

The quantity of concrete wearing surface to be paid for is the actual number of square feet (square meters) of concrete wearing surface as provided on the plans.

8.0 BASIS OF PAYMENT

The quantity for which payment is made will be that quantity shown in square feet (square meters) on the plans. Where the plans have been revised, the quantity to be paid for will be the quantity shown on the revised plans.

The unit bid per square foot (square meter) will be full compensation for all work covered by this Special Provision and applicable parts of the Standard Specifications, but not limited to furnishing and placing concrete, epoxy coated reinforcing steel, joint filler and sealer, deck drains, bridge scuppers, and any other material; erecting and removing all forms, curing concrete, protecting concrete in wind, rain, low humidity, high temperatures or other unfavorable weather.

Payment will be made under:

Concrete Wearing SurfaceSquare Foot (Square Meter)

PILES**(3-5-10)**

Revise the *Standard Specifications* as follows:

Page 4-71, Delete Section 450 **BEARING PILES** and replace it with the following:

1.0 DESCRIPTION

Furnish and install piles with sufficient lengths in accordance with the contract and accepted submittals. Provide steel and prestressed concrete piles and composite piles with both concrete and steel sections as shown on the plans. Drive and drill in piles and use pile tips and accessories as shown on the plans. Galvanize, restrike, redrive, splice, cut off and build up piles and perform predrilling, spudding and pile driving analyzer (PDA) testing as necessary or required. For this provision, “pile embedment” refers to the required pile embedment in the cap or footing and “pile penetration” refers to the minimum required pile tip elevation or penetration into natural ground, whichever is deeper.

2.0 MATERIALS

Refer to Division 10 of the *Standard Specifications*:

Item	Section
Flowable Fill, Non-Excavatable	340
Portland Cement Concrete, Class A	1000
Reinforcing Steel	1070
Steel Pipe Pile Plates	1072
Steel and Prestressed Concrete Piles	1084

For drilled-in piles, use 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.

For galvanized steel piles, see Section 1076 of the *Standard Specifications*. For composite piles with both prestressed concrete and steel H pile sections, use prestressed concrete piles and steel H piles in accordance with Section 1084 of the *Standard Specifications*. Use approved steel pile points and splicers. Obtain a list of approved pile points and splicers from:

<https://apps.dot.state.nc.us/vendor/approvedproducts/>

3.0 PILE LENGTHS

The estimated pile lengths shown on the plans are for bid purposes only. Provide piles of sufficient lengths for the required driving resistance, pile penetration and pile embedment. At the Contractor’s option and no additional cost to the Department, make investigations as necessary to determine required pile lengths.

4.0 CONSTRUCTION METHODS

A. Handling and Storing Piles

Handle, transport and store piles so that piles are kept clean and undamaged. Do not use chains, cables or hooks that can damage or scar piles. Do not damage coatings on steel piles. When handling prestressed concrete piles, support piles at pick-up points as shown on the plans.

Protect steel piles as far as practicable from corrosion. Store piles above ground upon platform skids, or other supports, and keep free from dirt, grease, vegetation and other foreign material. Damaged, bent or cracked piles will be rejected.

B. Pile Installation

If applicable, completely excavate for caps and footings before installing piles. If applicable and unless noted otherwise on the plans, construct embankments to bottom of cap or footing elevations for a horizontal distance of 50 ft (15 m) from any pile except where fill slopes are within 50 ft (15 m) of a pile.

Install piles with the following tolerances.

1. Axial alignment within $\frac{1}{4}$ inch per foot (21 mm per meter) of vertical or batter shown on the plans
2. Horizontal alignment within 3" (75 mm) of plan location, longitudinally and transversely
3. Pile embedment within 3" (75 mm) more and 2" (50 mm) less of the embedment shown on the plans

No additional payment will be made for increased cap or footing dimensions due to piles installed out of position.

If necessary, build up prestressed concrete piles or splice steel piles as shown on the plans. Do not use more than 3 sections (2 splices) of steel piling per pile. Cut off piles at required elevations along a plane normal to the axis of the pile as necessary. Do not damage or spall piles when cutting off prestressed concrete piles.

C. Pile Accessories

If required, use pile accessories including pipe pile plates and steel pile points and splicers as shown on the plans. Perform any welding in accordance with the contract. Weld pipe pile plates with the specified dimensions to steel pipe piles as shown on the plans.

Attach steel pile points to steel piles in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. The minimum weld length is twice the flange width for steel H piles.

Use steel pile tips with prestressed concrete piles as shown on the plans. Use steel pile splicers for splicing steel H pile tips and composite piles. Attach pile splicers in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

D. Driven Piles

When predrilling, spudding and installing the initial portions of steel piles with vibratory hammers, submit these pile installation methods with the proposed pile driving methods and equipment for review and acceptance. Spudding is defined as driving or dropping a steel H pile and then removing it. The Engineer will approve the predrilling depth and diameter, spudding depth and H pile size and depth of pile installation with a vibratory hammer. Do not use vibratory hammers to install prestressed concrete piles.

Drive piles in accordance with the accepted submittals and this provision. Unless otherwise approved, do not drive piles within 50 ft (15 m) of cast-in-place concrete until the concrete cures for at least 3 days.

Limit driving stresses in accordance with the *AASHTO LRFD Bridge Design Specifications*. If a tip elevation is noted on the plans for steel and prestressed concrete piles, drive piles to the minimum required driving resistance and tip elevation. Otherwise, drive steel and prestressed concrete piles to the minimum required driving resistance and a penetration into natural ground of at least 10 ft (3 m). For composite piles, drive piles to the minimum required driving resistance and the prestressed concrete and steel H pile sections to their respective minimum required tip elevations noted on the plans.

Also, drive piles to the minimum required tip elevation or penetration into natural ground, whichever is deeper, in a continuous operation unless stopped due to exceeding the maximum blow count or driving stresses, insufficient pile length or other approved reasons. Natural ground within an area of a new embankment is defined as the bottom of the embankment or footings, whichever is lower.

Protect coatings in an approved manner when driving coated steel piles through templates. Redrive piles raised or moved laterally due to driving adjacent piles.

1. Predrilling and Spudding

If necessary or required, perform predrilling for piles and spudding with a steel H pile as noted on the plans or in accordance with the accepted submittals. Predrill pile locations to the specified elevations noted on the plans, revised elevations approved by the Engineer or depths in accordance with the accepted submittals. When noted on the plans and at the Contractor's option, spudding may be used in lieu of predrilling. Do not perform spudding below specified predrilling elevations, revised elevations approved by the Engineer or depths in accordance with the accepted submittals.

When noted on the plans or predrilling in water or wetlands, use temporary steel casings meeting the requirements of steel casings for pile excavation in accordance with this provision with the exception of casing diameter. For steel casing diameters, use casings with a minimum inside diameter equal to the predrilling diameter. Use steel casings from a minimum of 2 ft (0.6 m) above the static water elevation or ground line, whichever is higher, to a minimum of 5 ft (1.5 m) below the ground or mud line. More than 5 ft (1.5 m) embedment may be necessary if steel casings are not stable or predrilling or spudding disturbs material outside the casings.

Perform predrilling and spudding such that large ground movements and voids below ground do not occur and piles can be driven to the required resistance and pile penetration. Do not deposit spoils above the ground or mud line in water or wetlands. Dispose of spoils in accordance with Section 802 of the *Standard Specifications* and as directed by the Engineer. When predrilling or spudding is complete, remove all steel casings before driving piles.

2. Driving Equipment

Submit the proposed pile driving methods and equipment (pile driving equipment data form) including the pile driving hammer, hammer cushion, pile helmet and cushion for review and acceptance. Do not submit more than two pile driving hammers per pile type per submittal. Submit this information for review and acceptance at least 30 calendar days before driving piles. All equipment is subject to satisfactory field performance.

Drive piles with accepted driving equipment using air, steam or diesel hammers. Use pile driving hammers that will not overstress piles and provide the required driving resistance at a blows per foot ranging from 30 to 180. Use a variable energy hammer to drive prestressed concrete piles.

Operate air and steam hammers within the manufacturer's specified ranges and 10% of the manufacturer's rated speed in blows per minute or a rate approved by the Engineer. Use a plant and equipment for air or steam hammers with sufficient capacity to maintain, under working conditions, the volume and pressure specified by the manufacturer. Equip the plant and equipment with accurate pressure gauges that are easily accessible. Provide striking parts of air and steam hammers that weigh at least one-third the weight of the pile helmet and pile, with a minimum weight of 2,750 lbs (1,250 kg).

Equip open-end (single acting) diesel hammers with a graduated scale (jump stick) extending above the ram cylinder, graduated rings or grooves on the ram or an electric sound activated remote measuring instrument to determine the hammer stroke during driving. Equip closed-end (double acting) diesel hammers with a calibrated bounce chamber pressure gauge mounted near the ground and provide a current calibrated chart or graph equating bounce chamber pressure and gauge hose length to equivalent energy. Submit this chart or graph with the proposed pile driving methods and equipment for closed-end diesel hammers.

Hold pile heads in position with pile helmets that closely fit over the pile heads and extend down the sides of piles a sufficient distance. Protect pile heads of prestressed concrete piles from direct impact with accepted pile cushions. Use pile cushions made of pine plywood with a minimum thickness of 4" (100 mm). Unless otherwise approved, provide a new pile cushion for each prestressed concrete pile. Replace pile cushions during driving when a cushion is compressed more than one-half its original thickness or begins to burn.

The Engineer may inspect the hammer cushion before beginning driving and periodically throughout the project. Expose the hammer cushion for inspection as directed by the Engineer. Replace or repair any hammer cushion that is less than 25% of its original thickness.

3. Required Driving Resistance

The Engineer will determine the acceptability of the proposed pile driving methods and equipment and provide the blows per foot and equivalent set for 10 blows for the required driving resistance. The minimum required driving resistance is equal to the factored resistance noted on the plans plus any additional resistance for downdrag and scour, if applicable, divided by a resistance factor. When performing PDA testing in accordance with the *AASHTO LRFD Bridge Design Specifications*, the resistance factor is 0.75. Otherwise, the resistance factor for the wave equation analysis is 0.60.

Unless otherwise approved, stop driving piles when refusal is reached. Refusal is defined as 240 blows per foot or any equivalent set.

4. Redriving Piles

Once the required pile penetration is achieved, the Contractor may choose to or the Engineer may require the Contractor to stop driving, wait and restrike or redrive piles to achieve the required driving resistance. If the Contractor chooses to restrike or redrive piles, no payment will be made for restrikes or redrives. If the Engineer requires the Contractor to restrike or redrive piles, payment will be made in accordance with this provision. When the Engineer requires restrikes or redrives, the Engineer will determine the number of restrikes or redrives and the time to wait after stopping driving and between restrikes and redrives. The time to wait will range from 4 to 24 hours.

Use the same pile driving methods, equipment and compressed pile cushion from the previous driving to restrike or redrive the pile unless the cushion is unacceptable due to deterioration. Do not use a cold diesel hammer for a restrike or redrive, unless it is impractical to do otherwise as determined by the Engineer. In general, warm up the hammer by applying at least 20 blows to a previously driven pile or timber mats on the ground.

E. Drilled-in Piles

If required, perform pile excavation to specified elevations shown on the plans or revised elevations approved by the Engineer. Excavate holes at pile locations with diameters that will result in at least 3" (75 mm) of clearance all around piles. Before filling holes, support and center piles in excavations and when noted on the plans, drive piles to the required driving resistance. Remove any fluid from excavations, and at the Contractor's option, fill holes with either concrete or flowable fill unless required otherwise in the contract.

1. Pile Excavation

Use equipment of adequate capacity and capable of drilling through soil, 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 holes with either slurry or temporary steel casings. 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 casings, 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 ¼ inch (6 mm).

2. Filling 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 or flowable fill into excavations. Ensure that concrete or flowable fill flows completely around piles. If the water inflow rate is greater than 6" (150 mm) per half hour, propose and obtain acceptance of a procedure for placing concrete or flowable fill before filling holes. Place concrete or flowable fill in a continuous manner and remove all steel casings.

F. Pile Driving Analyzer

If required, test piles with a pile driving analyzer (PDA) manufactured by Pile Dynamics, Inc., analyze data and provide PDA reports. Perform PDA testing in accordance with ASTM D4945. Either the Engineer will perform the PDA testing and analysis or use a PDA Consultant prequalified by the NCDOT Contractual Services Unit for Pile Driving Analyzer Work (work code 3060) to perform the PDA testing and analysis and provide a PDA report.

The Engineer will determine the number of piles and which piles to be tested with a PDA. Do not drive piles with a PDA until the proposed pile driving methods and equipment has been preliminarily accepted. Notify the Engineer of the pile driving schedule a minimum of 7 calendar days in advance.

The Engineer will complete the review and acceptance of the proposed pile driving methods and equipment and provide the blows per foot and equivalent set for 10 blows for the required driving resistance within 10 calendar days after the Engineer receives the PDA report or the Engineer finishes PDA testing. A PDA report for or PDA testing on multiple piles may be required as determined by the Engineer before the 10 day time period begins.

1. Preparation

Provide piles for PDA testing that are 5 ft (1.5 m) longer than the estimated pile lengths shown on the plans. Supply an AC electrical power source of a voltage and frequency suitable for computer equipment.

Provide a shelter to protect the PDA equipment and operator from conditions of sun, water, wind and temperature. The shelter should have a minimum floor size of 6 ft by 6 ft (1.8 m by 1.8 m) and a minimum roof height of 8 ft (2.4 m). If necessary, heat or cool the shelter to maintain a temperature between 50 and 85 degrees F (10 and 30 degrees C). Place the shelter within 75 ft (23 m) of the pile such that the PDA cables reach the computer and the operator can clearly observe the pile. The Engineer may waive the shelter requirement if weather conditions allow.

Drill up to a total of 16 bolt holes in either 2 or 4 sides of the pile, as directed by the PDA Consultant or Engineer, at an approximate distance equal to 3 times the pile diameter below the pile head. If the PDA Consultant or Engineer chooses to drill the bolt holes, provide the necessary equipment, tools and assistance to do so. A hammer drill is required for concrete piles. Allow for 2 hours per pile to drill holes.

Lift, align and rotate the pile to be tested with a PDA as directed by the PDA Consultant or Engineer. Place the pile in the leads and template so that the PDA instruments and their accompanying wires will not be damaged. Attach PDA instruments as directed by the PDA Consultant or Engineer after the pile is placed in the leads and the template.

2. Testing

Use only the preliminarily accepted pile driving methods and equipment to drive piles with the PDA instruments attached. Drive piles in accordance with this provision and as directed by the PDA Operator or Engineer. The PDA Operator or Engineer may require the Contractor to modify the pile installation procedure during driving. Dynamic measurements will be recorded and used to evaluate the hammer performance, driving resistance and stresses, energy transfer, pile integrity and various soil parameters such as quake and damping.

If required, reattach the PDA instruments and restrike or redrive the pile in accordance with this provision. Obtain the required stroke and at least 6" (150 mm) of penetration as directed by the PDA Operator or Engineer. Dynamic measurements will be recorded during restriking and redriving. The Engineer will determine when PDA testing has been satisfactorily completed.

The Contractor is responsible in terms of both actual expense and time delays for any damage to the PDA instruments and supporting equipment due to the Contractor's fault or negligence. Replace any damaged equipment at no additional cost to the Department.

3. Analysis

When using a PDA Consultant, analyze data with the CAsE Pile Wave Analysis Program (CAPWAP), version 2006 or later, manufactured by Pile Dynamics, Inc. At a minimum, analysis is required for a hammer blow near the end of initial drive and for each restrike and redrive. Additional CAPWAP analysis may be required as determined by the PDA Consultant or Engineer.

4. Report

When using a PDA Consultant, submit three hard copies and an electronic copy (PDF on CD or DVD) of PDA reports sealed by a Professional Engineer registered in North Carolina within 7 calendar days of completing field testing. Include the following in the PDA Report:

a. Title Sheet

- NCDOT TIP number and WBS element number
- Project description
- County
- Bridge station number
- Pile location
- Personnel
- Report date

b. Introduction

c. Site and Subsurface Conditions (including water table elevation)

d. Pile Details

- Pile type and length
- Required driving resistance and resistance factor
- Concrete compressive strength and/or steel pile yield strength

- Pile splice type and locations
 - Pile batter
 - Installation methods including use of predrilling, spudding, vibratory hammer, template, barge, etc.
- e. Driving Details
- Hammer make, model and type
 - Hammer and pile cushion type and thickness
 - Pile helmet weight
 - Hammer efficiency and operation data including fuel settings, bounce chamber pressure, blows per minute, equipment volume and pressure
 - Ground or mud line elevation and template reference elevation at the time of driving
 - Final pile tip elevation
 - Driving data (ram stroke, blows per foot (0.3 meter) and set for last 10 hammer blows)
 - Restrike and redrive information
- f. PDA Field Work Details
- g. CAPWAP Analysis Results
- Table showing percent skin and tip, skin and toe damping, skin and toe quake and match quality
- h. Summary/Conclusions
- i. Attachments
- Boring log(s)
 - Pile driving equipment data form (from Contractor)
 - Field pile driving inspection data (from Engineer)
 - Accelerometer and strain gauge locations
 - Accelerometer and strain gauge serial numbers and calibration information
 - PDA hardware model and CAPWAP software version information
 - Electronic copy of all PDA data and executable CAPWAP input and output files

5.0 MEASUREMENT AND PAYMENT

_____ *Prestressed Concrete Piles*, _____ *Steel Piles* and _____ *Galvanized Steel Piles* will be measured and paid for in linear feet (meters). Steel and prestressed concrete piles will be measured as the pile length before installation minus any pile cut-offs. No payment will be made for pile cut-offs or cutting off piles. No payment will be made for damaged, defective or rejected piles or any piles for falsework, bracing, templates or temporary work bridges. The contract unit prices for _____ *Prestressed Concrete Piles*, _____ *Steel Piles* and _____ *Galvanized Steel Piles* will also be full compensation for driving piles.

Composite piles will be measured as the pile length of the prestressed concrete and steel H pile sections before installation minus any pile cut-offs. The concrete and steel sections will be measured and paid for at the contract unit prices for _____ *Prestressed Concrete Piles* and _____ *Steel Piles*, respectively. No payment will be made for portions of steel H pile sections embedded in prestressed concrete sections or steel pile splicers and any associated hardware or welding.

For driven piles, once the required resistance and pile penetration is achieved, the Contractor may drive the remaining portion of piles to grade in lieu of cutting off piles provided the remaining portions do not exceed 5 ft (1.5 m) and the piles can be driven without being damaged or reaching the maximum blow count or refusal. When this occurs, the additional length of piles driven will be measured and paid for at the contract unit prices for _____ *Prestressed Concrete Piles*, _____ *Steel Piles* and _____ *Galvanized Steel Piles*.

For prestressed concrete piles that are built up, the build-up will be measured and paid for at the contract unit price for _____ *Prestressed Concrete Piles*. Steel pile tips are not included in the measurement of prestressed concrete piles. No separate payment will be made for steel pile tips or splicers and any associated hardware or welding. Steel pile tips and steel pile splicers will be considered incidental to the contract unit price for _____ *Prestressed Concrete Piles*.

Steel Pile Points and *Pipe Pile Plates* will be measured and paid for in units of each. *Steel Pile Points* and *Pipe Pile Plates* will be measured as one per pile.

Predrilling for Piles will be measured and paid for in linear feet (meters). For bents with a predrilling pay item as shown on the substructure plans, predrilling will be paid for as *Predrilling for Piles* and measured per pile location as the depth from the ground or mud line to specified predrilling elevations or revised elevations approved by the Engineer. The contract unit price for *Predrilling for Piles* will also be full compensation for using temporary steel casings. For bents without a predrilling pay item as shown on the substructure plans, predrilling will be considered incidental to the contract unit prices for _____ *Prestressed Concrete Piles*, _____ *Steel Piles* and _____ *Galvanized Steel Piles*.

No direct payment will be made for spudding or using temporary steel casings for spudding. Spudding and using temporary steel casings for spudding will be considered incidental to the contract unit prices for _____ *Prestressed Concrete Piles*, _____ *Steel Piles* and _____ *Galvanized Steel Piles*.

Pile Redrives will be measured and paid for in units of each. *Pile Redrives* will be measured as the number of restrikes or redrives required by the Engineer. No payment will be made for restrikes or redrives when the Contractor chooses to restrike or redrive piles.

Pile Excavation in Soil and *Pile Excavation Not in Soil* will be measured and paid for in linear feet (meters). Pile excavation will be measured as the depth from the ground line to the specified elevations or revised elevations approved by the Engineer. Not in soil is defined as material with a rock auger penetration rate of less than 2" (50 mm) per 5 minutes of drilling at full crowd force. Once not in soil is encountered, seams, voids and weathered rock less than 3 ft (1 m) thick with a rock auger penetration rate of greater than 2" (50 mm) per 5 minutes of drilling at full crowd force will be paid for at the contract unit price for *Pile Excavation Not in Soil*. Seams, voids and weathered rock greater than 3 ft (1 m) thick will be paid for at the contract unit price for *Pile Excavation in Soil* where not in soil is no longer encountered. The contract unit prices for *Pile Excavation in Soil* and *Pile Excavation Not in Soil* will also be full compensation for stabilizing and filling holes with either concrete or flowable fill.

PDA Testing will be measured and paid for in units of each. No payment for *PDA Testing* will be made if the Engineer performs PDA testing. If the Engineer does not perform PDA testing, *PDA Testing* will be measured as one per pile. The contract unit price for *PDA Testing* will be full compensation for performing PDA testing the first time a pile is tested with a PDA, performing analysis on data collected during initial drive, restrikes and redrives and providing the PDA report. Subsequent PDA testing of the same piles will be considered incidental to the contract unit price for *Pile Redrives*.

PDA Assistance will be measured and paid for in units of each. *PDA Assistance* will be measured as one per pile. The contract unit price for *PDA Assistance* will be full compensation for the Contractor's assistance to perform the PDA testing during initial drive, restrikes and redrives.

Payment will be made under:

Pay Item	Pay Unit
_____ Prestressed Concrete Piles	Linear Foot (Meter)
_____ Steel Piles	Linear Foot (Meter)
_____ Galvanized Steel Piles	Linear Foot (Meter)
Steel Pile Points	Each
Pipe Pile Plates	Each
Predrilling for Piles	Linear Foot (Meter)
Pile Redrives	Each
Pile Excavation in Soil	Linear Foot (Meter)
Pile Excavation Not in Soil	Linear Foot (Meter)
PDA Testing	Each
PDA Assistance	Each

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 ½ to ¾ 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.

PRESTRESSED CONCRETE MEMBERS**(4-02-07)**

The 2006 Standard Specifications shall be revised as follows:

In Section 1078-1 "General" of the Standard Specifications, add the following after the second paragraph:

(A) Producer Qualification

Producers of precast, prestressed concrete members are required to establish proof of their competency and responsibility in accordance with the Precast/Prestressed Concrete Institute's (PCI) Plant Certification Program in order to perform work for the project. Certification of the manufacturing plant under the PCI program and submission of proof of certification to the State Materials Engineer is required prior to beginning fabrication. Maintain certification at all times while work is being performed for the Department. Submit proof of certification following each PCI audit to the State Materials Engineer for continued qualification. These same requirements apply to producers subcontracting work from the producer directly employed by the Contractor.

Employ producers PCI certified in Product Group B, Bridge Products, and in one of the appropriate categories as listed below:

- B2 Prestressed Miscellaneous Bridge Products: Includes solid piles, sheet piles and bent caps.
- B3 Prestressed Straight-Strand Bridge Members: Includes all box beams, cored slabs, straight-strand girders and bulb-tees, bridge deck panels, hollow piles, prestressed culverts and straight strand segmental components.
- B4 Prestressed Deflected-Strand Bridge Members: Includes deflected strand girders and bulb-tees, haunched girders, deflected strand segmental superstructure components and other post-tensioned elements.

Categories for other elements will be as required by the project special provision or plans.

CURING CONCRETE**(6-12-09)**

The 2006 Standard Specifications shall be revised as follows:

Replace the first paragraph of Section 420-15(A) – **Curing Concrete – General** with the following:

Unless otherwise specified in the contract, use any of the following methods except for membrane curing compounds on bridge deck and approach slab, or on concrete which is to receive epoxy protective coating in accordance with 420-18. Advise the Engineer in advance of the proposed method. Have all material, equipment, and labor necessary to promptly apply the curing on the site before placing any concrete. Cure all patches in accordance with this article. Improperly cured concrete is considered defective.

Replace the third paragraph of Section 420-15(C) – Curing Concrete – Membrane Curing Compound Method with the following:

Seal the surface with a single uniform coating of the specified type of curing compound applied at the rate of coverage recommended by the manufacturer or as directed, but not less than 1 gallon per 150 square feet of surface area.

PLACING LOAD ON STRUCTURE MEMBERS (8-4-09)

The 2006 Standard Specifications shall be revised as follows:

Replace the fifth paragraph of Section 420-20 – Placing Load on Structure Members with the following:

Do not place vehicles or construction equipment on a bridge deck until the deck concrete develops the minimum specified 28 day compressive strength and attains an age of at least 14 curing days. The screed may be rolled across a previously cast bridge deck if the entire pour has not achieved initial set. If any portion of the deck concrete has achieved initial set, the screed can not be rolled across the bridge deck until the concrete develops a compressive strength of at least 1,500 psi. Construction equipment is allowed on bridge approach slabs after the slab concrete develops a compressive strength of at least 3,000 psi and attains an age of at least 7 curing days. A curing day is defined in Subarticle 420-15(A).

VERTICAL CONCRETE BARRIER RAIL (1-27-10)

Use Vertical Concrete Barrier Rail in accordance with the concrete barrier rail provisions of Section 460 of the Standard Specifications. Replace references to “concrete barrier rail” with “vertical concrete barrier rail.”

Payment will be made under:

Vertical Concrete Barrier Rail.....Linear Feet (Meter)