



**CONTRACTOR'S ESTIMATE PACKAGE**

REPORT DATE: **11/08/24**

CONTRACT ID: **084804052**  
 PROJECT: **F 2B24(170)**  
 CONTRACT: **06243215**  
 AWARD AMOUNT: **\$6,964,196.97**  
 PROJECTED AMOUNT: **\$6,964,196.98**  
 ADJ. PROJECTED AMOUNT: **\$6,964,196.98**  
 CONTRACTOR: **SALINAS CONSTRUCTION TECHNOLOGIES, LTD.**

HIGHWAY: **FM 462**  
 DISTRICT NAME: **SAN ANTONIO**  
 COUNTY: **MEDINA**  
 AREA ENGINEER: **Frances Merecka, P.E.**  
 AREA NUMBER: **053**

ESTIMATE NUMBER: **0002**  
 ESTIMATE PAID:   
 ESTIMATE PERIOD: **10/01/2024** to **10/31/2024**  
 ESTIMATE TYPE: **PROG**  
 % COMPLETE: **7.46**  
 % TIME USED: **0.00**  
 % RETAINAGE: **0.00**

LETTING DATE: **06/06/2024**  
 AWARD DATE: **06/27/2024**  
 NOTICE TO PROCEED DATE: **07/17/2024**  
 WORK BEGIN DATE: **10/15/2024**  
 ACCEPTED DATE: **00/00/0000**  
 PHYSICAL WORK COMPLETION DATE: **00/00/0000**

**RECAPITULATION**

	TOTAL TO DATE	PREV TO DATE	THIS ESTIMATE
ITEM EARNINGS	\$519,759.05	\$118,902.24	\$400,856.81
PARTICIPATING	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
NON-PARTICIPATING	\$519,759.05	\$118,902.24	\$400,856.81
RETAINAGE	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
LIQUIDATED DAMAGES	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
INCENTIVE	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
DISINCENTIVE	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
OTHER ADJUSTMENTS	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>PAID TO CONTRACTOR</b>	<b>\$519,759.05</b>	<b>\$118,902.24</b>	<b>\$400,856.81</b>

**CONTRACT ADJUSTMENTS THIS ESTIMATE**

ADJUSTMENT DESCRIPTION:  
 ADJUSTMENT AMOUNT:  
 REMARKS:

\*\*\*There are no Contract Adjustments for this estimate\*\*\*

**LINE ITEM ADJUSTMENTS THIS ESTIMATE**

ADJUSTMENT DESCRIPTION:  
 ADJUSTMENT AMOUNT:  
 REMARKS:

\*\*\*There are no Line Item Adjustments for this estimate\*\*\*

CERTIFIED AS CORRECT AND ONE COPY HAS BEEN GIVEN TO THE CONTRACTOR

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 AREA/PROJECT ENGINEER

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 DATE

**CONTRACT TIME STATEMENT**

<u>WORK BEGIN DATE:</u>	<b>10/15/2024</b>	<u>ASSESSED LIQ DAMAGES:</u>	<b>0</b>
<u>TIME CHARGES BEGIN:</u>	<b>10/15/2024</b>	<u>LIQ DAMAGE RATE:</u>	<b>\$1,317.00</b>
<u>BID DAYS:</u>	<b>312</b>	<u>LIQUIDATED DAMAGES:</u>	<b>0</b>
<u>C. O. ADJUSTED DAYS:</u>	<b>0</b>	<b>DAYS AT</b>	
<u>CURRENT DAYS:</u>	<b>312</b>	<b>PER DAY</b>	<b>\$1,317.00</b>
<u>DAYS CHARGED TO DATE:</u>	<b>0</b>	<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
<u>PHYSICAL WORK COMPLETE:</u>	<b>00/00/0000</b>		

DAILY BREAKDOWN

<u>Date or Days</u>	<u>Days Charged</u>	<u>Days Credited</u>	<u>Diary Adjustment</u>
10/01/2024		1	TIME NOT STARTED
10/02/2024		1	TIME NOT STARTED
10/03/2024		1	TIME NOT STARTED
10/04/2024		1	TIME NOT STARTED
10/05/2024		1	SATURDAY
10/06/2024		1	SUNDAY
10/07/2024		1	TIME NOT STARTED
10/08/2024		1	TIME NOT STARTED
10/09/2024		1	TIME NOT STARTED
10/10/2024		1	TIME NOT STARTED
10/11/2024		1	TIME NOT STARTED
10/12/2024		1	SATURDAY
10/13/2024		1	SUNDAY
10/14/2024		1	TIME NOT STARTED
10/15/2024		1	TIME SUSPENDED
10/16/2024		1	TIME SUSPENDED
10/17/2024		1	TIME SUSPENDED
10/18/2024		1	TIME SUSPENDED
10/19/2024		1	SATURDAY
10/20/2024		1	SUNDAY
10/21/2024		1	TIME SUSPENDED
10/22/2024		1	TIME SUSPENDED
10/23/2024		1	TIME SUSPENDED
10/24/2024		1	TIME SUSPENDED
10/25/2024		1	TIME SUSPENDED
10/26/2024		1	SATURDAY
10/27/2024		1	SUNDAY
10/28/2024		1	TIME SUSPENDED
10/29/2024		1	TIME SUSPENDED
10/30/2024		1	TIME SUSPENDED
10/31/2024		1	TIME SUSPENDED

PERIOD SUMMARY

<u>Date or Days</u>	<u>Days Charged</u>	<u>Days Credited</u>
31	0	31
SATURDAY		4
SUNDAY		4
TIME NOT STARTED		10
TIME SUSPENDED		13

WORK PERFORMED THIS PERIOD

PROJECT F 2B24(170) CONTROL 084804052  
 CATEGORY 001 DESCRIPTION ROADWAY

LINE NBR	ITEM CODE	SP NBR	DESCRIPTION	UNIT	UNIT PRICE	QTY THIS ESTIMATE	AMOUNT PAID THIS ESTIMATE	Total Bid Quantity	QTY Paid To Date
0060	01006002	000	PREPARING ROW	STA	181.950	302.000	\$54,948.90	302.00	302.00
0260	05006001	008	MOBILIZATION	LS	657,635.000	0.407	\$267,657.45	1.00	0.50
0265	05026001	008	BARRICADES, SIGNS AND TRAFFIC HANDLING	MO	1,615.150	1.000	\$1,615.15	20.00	1.00
0270	05066001	005	ROCK FILTER DAMS (INSTALL) (TY 1)	LF	42.020	100.000	\$4,202.00	100.00	100.00
0295	05066038	005	TEMP SEDMT CONT FENCE (INSTALL)	LF	3.800	14,340.000	\$54,492.00	13,670.00	14,340.00
0305	05066041	005	BIODEG EROSN CONT LOGS (INSTL) (12")	LF	9.250	1,440.000	\$13,320.00	3,025.00	1,440.00
0520	07306107	000	FULL - WIDTH MOWING	CYC	3,544.330	1.000	\$3,544.33	7.00	1.00
0525	07346002	000	LITTER REMOVAL	CYC	1,076.980	1.000	\$1,076.98	20.00	1.00
<b>TOTAL ITEM EARNINGS THIS ESTIMATE</b>							<b>\$400,856.81</b>		

CONTRACT LINE ITEMS

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0060	01006002	000	PREPARING ROW	STA	181.950	302.000	0.000	302.00	54,948.90
0260	05006001	008	MOBILIZATION	LS	657,635.000	1.000	0.000	0.50	328,817.51
0265	05026001	008	BARRICADES, SIGNS AND TRAFFIC HANDLING	MO	1,615.150	20.000	0.000	1.00	1,615.15
0270	05066001	005	ROCK FILTER DAMS (INSTALL) (TY 1)	LF	42.020	100.000	0.000	100.00	4,202.00
0295	05066038	005	TEMP SEDMT CONT FENCE (INSTALL)	LF	3.800	13,670.000	0.000	14,340.00	54,492.00
0305	05066041	005	BIODEG EROSN CONT LOGS (INSTL) (12")	LF	9.250	3,025.000	0.000	1,440.00	13,320.00
0520	07306107	000	FULL - WIDTH MOWING	CYC	3,544.330	7.000	0.000	1.00	3,544.33
0525	07346002	000	LITTER REMOVAL	CYC	1,076.980	20.000	0.000	1.00	1,076.98
0535	60016002	000	PORTABLE CHANGEABLE MESSAGE SIGN	EA	28,871.090	2.000	0.000	2.00	57,742.18
<b>Category Subtotal</b>									<b>\$519,759.05</b>

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0065	01046009	000	REMOVING CONC (RIPRAP)	SY	19.300	118.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0070	01056008	000	REMOVING STAB BASE AND ASPH PAV (6")	SY	8.630	1,962.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0075	01106001	000	EXCAVATION (ROADWAY)	CY	13.460	26,033.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0080	01326005	000	EMBANKMENT (FINAL)(ORD COMP)(TY C)	CY	14.870	2,474.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0085	01606003	000	FURNISHING AND PLACING TOPSOIL (4")	SY	2.040	72,851.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0090	01626008	000	ROLL SODDING	SY	7.410	8,167.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0095	01646035	000	DRILL SEEDING (PERM) (RURAL) (CLAY)	SY	0.200	64,684.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0100	01646051	000	DRILL SEED (TEMP)(WARM OR COOL)	SY	0.180	64,684.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0105	01686001	000	VEGETATIVE WATERING	MG	21.410	2,146.200	0.000	0.000	0.00
0110	01696001	000	SOIL RETENTION BLANKETS (CL 1) (TY A)	SY	1.140	64,684.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0115	02166001	000	PROOF ROLLING	HR	76.200	26.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0120	02476475	005	FL BS (CIP)(TY D GR 1-2, OR 5)FINAL POS	CY	42.600	25,281.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0125	02516025	000	REWORK BS MTL (TY B) (6") (ORD COMP)	SY	1.230	115,634.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0130	02756001	000	CEMENT	TON	248.910	997.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0135	02756002	000	CEMENT TREAT (EXIST MATL) (6")	SY	1.420	82,400.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0140	02756004	000	CEMENT TREAT (MX EXST MTL & NW BS) (6")	SY	1.420	33,234.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0145	03166029	002	ASPH (RC-250)	GAL	5.020	21,379.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0150	03166240	002	AGGR(TY-PD GR-4 SAC-B)	CY	144.760	896.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0155	03166414	002	AGGR (TY-B GR-5)	CY	170.930	764.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0160	03166419	002	ASPH (AC-15P, AC-20-5TR OR AC-20XP)	GAL	4.430	68,747.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0165	03166431	002	AGGR (TY-PB GR-4)	CY	171.180	896.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0170	04006006	000	CUT & RESTORING PAV	SY	163.910	52.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0175	04016001	000	FLOWABLE BACKFILL	CY	244.840	27.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0180	04026001	000	TRENCH EXCAVATION PROTECTION	LF	25.510	66.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0185	04036001	000	TEMPORARY SPL SHORING	SF	75.490	384.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0190	04326002	000	RIPRAP (CONC)(5 IN)	CY	584.860	59.000	0.000	0.000	0.00

0195	04326045	000	RIPRAP (MOW STRIP)(4 IN)	CY	603.860	150.100	0.000	0.000	0.00
0200	04596001	000	GABIONS (GALV)	CY	319.120	145.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0205	04596007	000	GABION MATTRESSES (GALV)(12 IN)	SY	101.990	655.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0210	04596008	000	GABION MATTRESSES (GALV)(18 IN)	SY	162.560	276.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0215	04626003	002	CONC BOX CULV (4 FT X 2 FT)	LF	508.430	46.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0220	04626006	002	CONC BOX CULV (5 FT X 2 FT)	LF	548.930	92.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0225	04666179	000	WINGWALL (PW - 1) (HW=4 FT)	EA	20,410.470	1.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0230	04666180	000	WINGWALL (PW - 1) (HW=5 FT)	EA	24,121.770	2.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0235	04676171	000	SET (TY I)(S= 5 FT)(HW= 3 FT)(3:1) (C)	EA	14,518.340	2.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0240	04966004	000	REMOV STR (SET)	EA	2,304.220	2.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0245	04966006	000	REMOV STR (HEADWALL)	EA	2,449.630	2.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0250	04966007	000	REMOV STR (PIPE)	LF	26.580	32.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0255	04966008	000	REMOV STR (BOX CULVERT)	LF	138.580	35.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0275	05066002	005	ROCK FILTER DAMS (INSTALL) (TY 2)	LF	44.910	120.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0280	05066011	005	ROCK FILTER DAMS (REMOVE)	LF	10.940	220.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0285	05066020	005	CONSTRUCTION EXITS (INSTALL) (TY 1)	SY	26.550	224.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0290	05066024	005	CONSTRUCTION EXITS (REMOVE)	SY	5.680	224.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0300	05066039	005	TEMP SEDMT CONT FENCE (REMOVE)	LF	1.120	13,670.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0310	05066043	005	BIODEG EROSN CONT LOGS (REMOVE)	LF	2.790	3,025.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0315	05086001	000	CONSTRUCTING DETOURS	SY	49.410	24,889.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0320	05106001	000	ONE-WAY TRAF CONT (FLAGGER CONT)	HR	73.210	96.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0325	05106002	000	ONE-WAY TRAF CONT (PILOT CAR)	HR	130.880	48.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0330	05106003	000	ONE-WAY TRAF CONT (PORT TRAF SIG)	MO	3,130.450	4.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0335	05126009	000	PORT CTB (FUR & INST)(LOW PROF)(TY 1)	LF	5.000	1,520.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0340	05126010	000	PORT CTB (FUR & INST)(LOW PROF)(TY 2)	LF	1.640	160.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0345	05126033	000	PORT CTB (MOVE)(LOW PROF)(TY 1)	LF	1.000	1,520.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0350	05126034	000	PORT CTB (MOVE)(LOW PROF)(TY 2)	LF	1.000	160.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0355	05126057	000	PORT CTB (REMOVE)(LOW PROF)(TY 1)	LF	2.900	1,520.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0360	05126058	000	PORT CTB (REMOVE)(LOW PROF)(TY 2)	LF	1.800	160.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0365	05306003	000	INTERSECTIONS (SURF TREAT)	SY	50.170	253.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0370	05306006	000	DRIVEWAYS (SURF TREAT)	SY	30.140	2,659.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0375	05306009	000	TURNOUTS (SURF TREAT)	SY	95.280	320.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0380	05406001	001	MTL W-BEAM GD FEN (TIM POST)	LF	23.720	2,000.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0385	05406033	001	MTL BM GD FEN (LONG SPAN SYSTEM)	EA	1,383.740	3.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0390	05446001	000	GUARDRAIL END TREATMENT (INSTALL)	EA	2,947.370	10.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0395	05526001	000	WIRE FENCE (TY A)	LF	15.860	775.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0400	05606006	000	MAILBOX INSTALL-M (TWG-POST) TY 2	EA	529.470	1.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0405	05606007	000	MAILBOX INSTALL-S (WC-POST) TY 3	EA	214.470	4.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0410	05606011	000	MAILBOX INSTALL-S (TWW-POST) TY 4	EA	319.470	6.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0415	05606013	000	MAILBOX INSTALL-M (TWW-POST) TY 4	EA	749.970	4.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0420	05606015	000	MAILBOX INSTALL-S (TIM-POST) TY 5	EA	329.970	1.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0425	06446001	000	IN SM RD SN SUP&AM TY10BWG(1)SA(P)	EA	702.580	71.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0430	06446004	000	IN SM RD SN SUP&AM TY10BWG(1)SA(T)	EA	812.970	4.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0435	06446076	000	REMOVE SM RD SN SUP&AM	EA	119.970	28.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0440	06586046	000	INSTL OM ASSM (OM-2X)(WC)GND	EA	96.340	6.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0445	06586062	000	INSTL DEL ASSM (D-SW)SZ 1(BRF)GF2(BI)	EA	29.140	100.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0450	06626037	000	WK ZN PAV MRK NON-REMOV (Y)6"(SLD)	LF	0.490	132,215.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0455	06626067	000	WK ZN PAV MRK REMOV (W)6"(SLD)	LF	0.900	173,975.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0460	06626075	000	WK ZN PAV MRK REMOV (W)24"(SLD)	LF	14.880	528.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0465	06626111	000	WK ZN PAV MRK SHT TERM (TAB)TY Y-2	EA	1.220	4,520.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0470	06666048	007	REFL PAV MRK TY I (W)24"(SLD)(100MIL)	LF	12.970	24.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0475	06666225	007	PAVEMENT SEALER 6"	LF	0.430	103,434.000	0.000	0.000	0.00

0480	06666230	007	PAVEMENT SEALER 24"	LF	6.670	24.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0485	06666343	007	REF PROF PAV MRK TY I(W)6"(SLD)(100MIL)	LF	1.220	60,865.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0490	06666346	007	REF PROF PAV MRK TY I(Y)6"(BRK)(100MIL)	LF	1.280	4,440.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0495	06666347	007	REF PROF PAV MRK TY I(Y)6"(SLD)(100MIL)	LF	1.220	38,129.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0500	06726009	000	REFL PAV MRKR TY II-A-A	EA	6.550	764.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0505	06776001	000	ELIM EXT PAV MRK & MRKS (4")	LF	1.010	71,400.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0510	06786002	000	PAV SURF PREP FOR MRK (6")	LF	0.270	103,434.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0515	06786008	000	PAV SURF PREP FOR MRK (24")	LF	4.840	24.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0530	60016001	000	PORTABLE CHANGEABLE MESSAGE SIGN	DAY	55.900	32.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0540	61856005	002	TMA (MOBILE OPERATION)	DAY	745.720	8.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0545	65096001	000	DRIVEWAY ASSISTANCE DEVICE(DAD) SYSTEM	MO	10,308.530	18.000	0.000	0.000	0.00

Category Subtotal 0.00

CATEGORY 002 DESCRIPTION FORCE ACCOUNT

LINE NBR	ITEM CODE	SP NBR	DESCRIPTION SUPP DESCRIPTION	UNIT	UNIT PRICE	BID QUANTITY	NET CO QUANTITY	QTY PAID TO DATE	AMOUNT (\$)
0600	96016001		MATERIAL ON HAND	DOL	1.000	1,000.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0605	96026001		PAYMENT ADJUSTMENT-POS	DOL	1.000	1,000.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0610	96026002		PAYMENT ADJUSTMENT-NEG DO NOT PAY TO THIS ITEM	DOL	-1.000	8,000.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0615	96066053		LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL	DOL	1.000	1,000.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0620	96066055		FORCE ACCT-EROSION CONTROL MAINTENANCE	DOL	1.000	1,000.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0625	96066056		FORCE ACCOUNT - SAFETY CONTINGENCY	DOL	1.000	1,000.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0630	96066057		FORCE ACCOUNT-COMMER LAB USE DEDUCTION	DOL	-1.000	1,000.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0635	96066069		FORCE ACCT-3RD PARTY DAMAGE REPAIR	DOL	1.000	1,000.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0640	96066068		FORCE ACCOUNT - RAILROAD FLAGGERS	DOL	1.000	1,000.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0650	96066051		FORCE ACCT-SOIL AND GNDWTR MGT PLAN	DOL	1.000	1,000.000	0.000	0.000	0.00
0655	96066063		FORCE ACCOUNT - CRASH CUSHION REPAIR #1 3RD PARTY DAMAGES - MBGF, ATTENUATOR, ILLUM, ETC.	DOL	1.000	1,000.000	0.000	0.000	0.00

Category Subtotal 0.00

**TOTAL ITEM EARNINGS THIS CONTRACT** \$519,759.05

CONSTRUCTION ESTIMATE COMBINED

ITEM CODE	SP NBR	DESCRIPTION	UNIT	UNIT PRICE	BID QUANTITY	QTY PAID TO DATE	AMOUNT (\$)
01006002	000	PREPARING ROW	STA	181.950	302.00	302.000	54,948.90
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05026001	008	BARRICADES, SIGNS AND TRAFFIC HANDLING	MO	1,615.150	20.00	1.000	1,615.15
05066001	005	ROCK FILTER DAMS (INSTALL) (TY 1)	LF	42.020	100.00	100.000	4,202.00
05066038	005	TEMP SEDMT CONT FENCE (INSTALL)	LF	3.800	13,670.00	14,340.000	54,492.00
05066041	005	BIODEG EROSN CONT LOGS (INSTL) (12")	LF	9.250	3,025.00	1,440.000	13,320.00
07306107	000	FULL - WIDTH MOWING	CYC	3,544.330	7.00	1.000	3,544.33
07346002	000	LITTER REMOVAL	CYC	1,076.980	20.00	1.000	1,076.98
60016002	000	PORTABLE CHANGEABLE MESSAGE SIGN	EA	28,871.090	2.00	2.000	57,742.18
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