SUBJECT: PLANS AND PROPOSAL ADDENDUMS

PROJECT: C 85-2-54 CONTROL: 0085-02-054

COUNTY: BOWIE

LETTING: 02/01/2024

REFERENCE NO: 0122

PROPOSAL ADDENDUMS

_ PROPOSAL COVER

_ BID INSERTS (SH. NO.:)

X GENERAL NOTES (SH. NO.: ALL)

_ SPEC LIST (SH. NO.:)

_ SPECIAL PROVISIONS:

ADDED:

DELETED:

_ SPECIAL SPECIFICATIONS:

ADDED:

DELETED:

X OTHER: PLAN SHEETS AND OTHER CHANGES

DESCRIPTION OF ABOVE CHANGES
(INCLUDING PLANS SHEET CHANGES)

***** GENERAL NOTES *****

SHEET C: REVISED NOTES TO ITEM 8

***** PLAN SHEETS *****

SHEETS 005 THRU 005H(GENERAL NOTES): NOTES SHIFTED DUE TO ABOVE REVISIONS

GENERAL NOTES:

General Requirements and Covenants:

Contractor questions on this project are to be addressed to the following individuals:

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Questions may be submitted via the Letting Pre-Bid Q&A web page. This webpage can be accessed from the Notice to Contractors dashboard located at the following Address:

https://tableau.txdot.gov/views/ProjectInformationDashboard/NoticetoContractors?%

All contractor questions will be reviewed by the Engineer. All questions and any corresponding responses that are generated will be posted through the same Letting Pre-Bid Q&A web page.

The Letting Pre-Bid Q&A web page for each project can be accessed by using the dashboard to navigate to the project you are interested in by scrolling or filtering the dashboard using the controls on the left. Hover over the blue hyperlink for the project you want to view the Q&A for and click on the link in the window that pops up.

All roadside signs, mailbox supports, delineators, and object markers located within the project limits shall be plumbed as part of the final cleanup. This work will not be paid for separately but will be considered subsidiary to the various bid items.

Repair all pavement damaged by the Contractor's forces during construction. Such repair is to be considered incidental to the various bid items in the project and must be approved by engineer.

Plans are required for this project.

ITEM 2 – Control of the Work:

This project will use A+B bidding. Further information can be found under Item 8 in the General Notes.

Control: 0085-02-054, ETC
County: BOWIE
Highway: US 259

ITEM 5 – Control of the Work:

Prior to contract letting, bidders may request a free electronic copy of the files that contain the earthwork information from the District Office in Atlanta. If printed copies of the actual cross-sections in addition to, or instead of, the electronic files are requested, prospective bidders may purchase prints of earthwork cross sections from the District Office in Atlanta.

Place construction points, stakes, and marks at intervals of no more than 100 ft., or as directed. Place stakes and marks so as not to interfere with normal maintenance operations.

When a precast or cast-in-place concrete element is included in the plans, a precast concrete alternate may be submitted in accordance with “Standard Operating Procedure for Alternate Precast Proposal Submission” found online at
https://www.txdot.gov/business/resources/highway/bridge/bridge-publications.html#design

Acceptance or denial of an alternate is at the sole discretion of the Engineer. Impacts to the project schedule and any additional costs resulting from the use of alternates are the sole responsibility of the Contractor

ITEM 6 - Control of Material:

To comply with the latest provisions of Build America, Buy America Act (BABA Act) of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, the contractor must submit an original of the TxDOT Construction Material Buy America Certification Form for all items classified as construction materials. This form is not required for materials classified as a manufactured product.

Refer to the Buy America Material Classification Sheet for clarification on material categorization.

The Buy America Material Classification Sheet is located at the below link.

https://www.txdot.gov/business/resources/materials/buy-america-material-classification-sheet.html for clarification on material categorization.

ITEM 7 – Legal Relations and Responsibilities:

This project is considered a maintenance activity and is exempt from the Construction General Permit (CGP) coverage.

The Contractor will not remove active nests from bridges and other structures during nesting season of the birds associated with the nests.

RAP material generated may be used for ingress and egress to drives and intersections or construction exits. When removed, stockpile this material separately from other RAP material.

No significant traffic generator events.

ITEM 8 – Prosecution and Progress:

Working days will be charged in accordance with Section 8.3.1.1, *"**Five-Day Workweek**"*

Road user cost will be $24,588 per day for substantial completion of the project. 238 Days will be the maximum number of days and 200 will be the minimum number of days that will be accepted as a responsive bid for substantial completion.

Substantial Completion is defined as the Pavement Rehabilitation completed through the placement of all final pavement markings, metal beam guard fence, mow strip and the traffic in the final configuration and the Detour removed. The number of days for final completion excluding vegetation and landscaping maintenance will be 38 days after the substantial completion of the project.

The incentive will be $24,588 per day up to accepted substantial completion, with a maximum of 18 working days for computing credit.

The disincentive will be $24,588 per day up to accepted substantial completion.

ITEM 105 – Removing Treated and Untreated Base and Asphalt Pavement:

The Department shall retain ownership of 5,000CY of the material removed under this Item.
Stockpile salvaged material at the following location:
0.3 MI NE of Intersection of FM 561 & CR 4241 on the East side of CR 4241.
LAT. 33° 22'12.19""N, LONG. 94° 37'44.27" W.

Contractor shall retain the remaining quantity.

Stockpile material in accordance with Article 247.4, "Construction" or as directed.

Remove existing asphalt pavement before disturbing base. Stockpile each material separately.

Reduce the asphalt pavement so it will pass a one-inch sieve.

Remove, dispose of all material from current bituminous surface and first layer of base.

ITEM 134 – Backfilling Pavement Edges:

After the application of fertilizer apply an emulsified asphalt treatment, consisting of SS-1 asphalt, at a rate of 0.3 gal. per sq. yd.

ITEM 164 – Seeding for Erosion Control:

PERMANENT PLANTING MIXTURE
Species and Rates
(lb. PLS/ac.)

(Season: February 1 to May 15)

Green Sprangletop	0.4
Bermudagrass	2.4
Sand Lovegrass	1.0
Lance-Leaf Coreopsis	1.25

(Season: September 1 to November 30)

Bermuda (Unhulled)	12
Crimson Clover	10

TEMPORARY SEEDING FOR EROSION CONTROL

Warm Season
(Season: May 15 to August 31)

Bermudagrass	6
Foxtail Millet	34

Cool Season
(Season: September 1 to November 30)

Tall Fescue	4.5
Oats	24
Wheat	34

Adjust the seeding mixture and rates if directed.

Inoculate crimson clover seed with a legume inoculant. Sow inoculated seed dry, with either hand operated or mechanical equipment, after the fertilizer is placed.

Do not use Bahia grass.

Use crimper immediately after spreading mulch. Apply ballast to machine to achieve an anchoring depth of 2 to 3 inches to form soil-binding mulch and to prevent loss or bunching of the mulch by wind. Anchor the machine to prevent the formation of ridges and ruts. Use coulters at least ten inches in diameter. Traverse slopes horizontally. The number of passes needed, not to exceed three, will be as directed. In areas where an anchoring machine cannot be used, the Department will require a tacking agent be used in the mulch as directed.

Use broadcast seeding for temporary erosion control, when and as directed. This will not be paid for directly but is subsidiary to the various bid items.

Use additional temporary seeding if permanent seeding is placed outside the optimum growing season shown for this item, if directed.

Finish slopes with a tracked vehicle running vertically up and down the slope.

Mow tall growing vegetation as directed, to provide optimum growing conditions for temporary or permanent seeded areas in accordance with Item 730 “Roadside Mowing” except for measurement and payment. This work will be subsidiary to pertinent bid items.

Repair mulch sod, damaged by causes other than the Contractor’s operations, as directed using mulch sod, seeding, and fertilizer. This work will be measured and paid for in accordance with the applicable bid items of the contract.

ITEM 166 - Fertilizer:

When seeding between September 1 and January 1, place one-half of the amount of fertilizer specified for seeding with the seeds and place the remainder the following spring unless otherwise directed. When seeding is placed between January 1 and June 1, place one-half the amount of fertilizer specified for seeding with the seeds and place the remainder 30 days later unless otherwise directed.

Apply fertilizer (13-13-13) at a rate of 300 lbs. /5000 sq. yds.

ITEM 247 – Flexible Base:

Drill or dig one or more holes for thickness measurement, refill, and re-compact material at the location and frequency as directed. This work is considered subsidiary to this item.

Furnish material with an organic content less than 1.0%. The Engineer will test using UV-VIS equipment and procedure determined by TxDOT. Allow two weeks for testing.

Compact in accordance with Section 247.4.3.2, “Density Control.”

The Engineer will test each stockpile. A minimum of 14 days will be required for testing after stockpile has been sampled.

Target grading required.

Do not use iron ore.

Correct 0.1-mi. sections having an average international roughness index (IRI) value greater than 125.0 in. per mile to an IRI value of 125.0 in. per mile or less for each wheel path.

Beginning with the final lift of embankment, measure the cross slope during pavement structure operations, at the completion of each land, and prior to covering with another course or lift to ensure that the cross slope is uniform and in compliance with the cross slope shown in the plans. Measure the cross slope at a minimum frequency of one measurement every 100 feet. The number of measurements may be reduced by demonstrating consistently acceptable results, with the approval of the Engineer. Furnish a digital measuring device approved by the Engineer for the measurement of cross slope. Make this measuring device available at the jobsite for the Engineer’s use. Report the cross slope to the nearest 0.1%. Record all measurements on an approved form signed and dated certifying correct and submit to the Engineer the next working day for documentation. The Engineer will determine the number of verification measurements.

Moist cure the layer by sprinkling in accordance with ITEM 204, “Sprinkling” until primed or the next successive course is placed. The Engineer will measure the moisture content in the upper two inches of the layer using Tex-115E Part I, Nuclear Gauge Method. When the moisture content at any location within a land is more than 2 percent points below optimum the Contractor will prime or cover with the next successive course within three days unless approved otherwise.

Furnish clean 5-gallon plastic buckets with lids and wire handles for sampling, transporting, and shipping aggregate and base to the District Lab.

When GR 1-2 is required in the plans, strength requirements will remain and GR 3 is not allowed.

The #200 sieve test will not be allowed to be used to waive unconfined compressive strength except in cases where it is mixed with in situ roadway materials.

When used, GR 3 flexible base must meet the wet ball mill requirement of a GR 1-2 or GR 5 base material, unless approved by the Engineer.

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ITEM 275 – Cement Treatment (Road-Mixed):

Furnish material with an organic content less than 1.0%. The Engineer will test using UV-VIS equipment and procedure determined by TxDOT. Allow two weeks for testing.

Apply all cement in an essentially dust free manner as approved.

Rates of application of cement for subgrade shown in the plans are for estimating purposes only. Actual rate of application will be determined during construction for each land by the Engineer. The estimated rate of application is 30 lbs/sy. Pretreat with lime Item 260 when the soil Plasticity Index is greater than 18 %. The application rates will be determined by the Engineer.

When the addition of Item 260 is required, the additional Item will be considered "extra work" in accordance with Article 9.7.

Bituminous patches encountered during treating operations shall be pulverized and blended with the surrounding existing flexible base to the extent that when mixing is complete, and prior to the addition of cement, the total makeup of the blended base will consist of 50% or less reclaimed asphalt pavement. The Engineer may waive density control testing in favor of ordinary compaction at these locations. This work will not be paid for separately but will be considered subsidiary to this bid item.

Bituminous patches determined by the Engineer to be too large to process will be removed and disposed of by the Contractor. Removal and disposal will not be paid for separately but will be considered subsidiary to the bid item. Replace with material approved by the Engineer. Replacement of material will be considered "extra work" in accordance with Article 9.7.

Drill or dig one or more holes for thickness measurement, refill, and re-compact material at the location and frequency as directed. This work is considered subsidiary to this item.

Beginning with the final lift of embankment, measure the cross slope during pavement structure operations, at the completion of each land, and prior to covering with another course or lift to ensure that the cross slope is uniform and in compliance with the cross slope shown in the plans. Measure the cross slope at a minimum frequency of one measurement every 100 feet. The number of measurements may be reduced by demonstrating consistently acceptable results, with the approval of the Engineer. Furnish a digital measuring device approved by the Engineer for the measurement of cross slope. Make this measuring device available at the jobsite for the Engineer's use. Report the cross slope to the nearest 0.1%. Record all measurements on an approved form signed and dated certifying correct and submit to the Engineer the next working day for documentation. The Engineer will determine the number of verification measurements.

Moist cure the layer by sprinkling in accordance with ITEM 204, "Sprinkling" until primed or the next successive course is placed. The Engineer will measure the moisture content in the upper two inches of the layer using Tex-115E Part I, Nuclear Gauge Method. When the moisture

content at any location within a land is more than 2 percent points below optimum the Contractor will prime or cover with the next successive course within three days unless approved otherwise.

Microcracking will be required for Item 275 (CEMENT TREAT (NEW BASE)(8")) in accordance with Section 275.4.7, *"**Microcracking**"*.

ITEM 316 – Seal Coat:

For final surfaces, furnish aggregate with a minimum "A" surface aggregate classification.

The Department may require the use of emulsion instead of AC if conditions so dictate. Apply AC unless otherwise directed.

Asphalt season starts May 1 and ends August 31. Obtain written approval before placing asphaltic materials between August 31 and May 1.

Cure the surface treatment under traffic a minimum of 14 days before placement of any subsequent surface courses.

ITEM 320 – Equipment for Asphalt Concrete Pavement:

Provide a Material Transfer Device (MTD) with remixing capability.

Construct longitudinal joints so that the hot side overlaps the cold side by 0.5 inch minimum at the joint.

ITEM 354 – Planing and Texturing Pavement:

Beginning with the final lift of embankment, measure the cross slope during pavement structure operations, at the completion of each land, and prior to covering with another course or lift to ensure that the cross slope is uniform and in compliance with the cross slope shown in the plans. Measure the cross slope at a minimum frequency of one measurement every 100 feet. The number of measurements may be reduced by demonstrating consistently acceptable results, with the approval of the Engineer. Furnish a digital measuring device approved by the Engineer for the measurement of cross slope. Make this measuring device available at the jobsite for the Engineer's use. Report the cross slope to the nearest 0.1%. Record all measurements on an approved form signed and dated certifying correct and submit to the Engineer the next working day for documentation. The Engineer will determine the number of verification measurements.

ITEM 432 - Riprap:

Provide ½" expansion joint material with an area equal to the area of contact between the two concrete surfaces. The joint material will be visually inspected for approval.

ITEM 464 – Reinforced Concrete Pipe:

Backfill driveway culverts to obtain a minimum cover of 6 inches. Place backfill in accordance with section 132.3.4.1 "Ordinary Compaction" using approved equipment.

The Engineer will determine flow lines of pipes under private driveways.

ITEM 467 – Safety End Treatments:

Provide precast safety end treatments with a toewall measuring at least 12 inches. Construct toewalls for cast-in-place safety end treatments as shown in the plans.

Remove trees, bushes, and underbrush as directed. This work will be subsidiary to the pertinent bid items.

ITEM 502 – Barricades, Signs, and Traffic Handling:

The Contractor Force Account "Safety Contingency" that has been established for this project is intended to be utilized for work zone enhancements, to improve the effectiveness of the Traffic Control Plan, that could not be foreseen in the project planning and design stage. These enhancements will be mutually agreed upon by the Engineer and the Contractor's Responsible Person based on weekly or more frequent traffic management reviews on the project. The Engineer may choose to use existing bid items if it does not slow the implementation of enhancement.

Install temporary rumble strips in accordance with WZ(RS) wherever short duration or short-term stationary lane closures are in place and workers are present.

The Contractor's responsible person (CRP) will be responsible for ensuring that the signs and traffic control devices are in place and functioning properly.

The CRP will inspect and ensure any deficiencies are corrected each and every day throughout the duration of this contract. Notify the Engineer in writing of the name, address, and telephone number of this employee or these employees.

No partial lane widths are to remain unplaned at the end of each day's planing operations. Plane only a length of roadway that can be completed a full lane width by the end of the working day.

Begin ACP laydown operations after the planing operations as soon as it is feasible. At no time will the length of exposed planed pavement exceed 2 miles beyond the ACP laydown operation. The distance that the planing operation is ahead of the ACP laydown operation may be adjusted by the Engineer.

Length of lane closures will be as directed based on the demonstrated ability to prosecute the work within the closed section.

Plan and coordinate ACP placements so that traffic lanes will not be left with open longitudinal joints for more than 2 days placement.

Maintenance of driveways and intersections will not be paid for directly but is subsidiary to the pertinent bid items.

Restrict the movement of equipment across traffic lanes to an absolute minimum.

Use strobe lights or rotating beacons on all motorized equipment, operating on or adjacent to the road surface.

Place and maintain U.S. mailboxes within project limits in such a manner as to ensure continuous mail service. See BC Standard for more information.

The Traffic Control Plan for this contract consists of the installation and maintenance of warning signs and or other traffic control devices shown in the plans, specification data which may be included in the general notes, applicable provisions of the Texas Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (TMUTCD), traffic control plan sheets included in the plans, standard BC sheets and Item 502 of the standard specifications.

The traffic control plan sheets when shown in the plans for handling traffic through the work area. The signing arrangement and spacing shown may be varied as necessary to fit field conditions; however, any proposed changes in the traffic control plan must be approved by the Engineer prior to implementation

All flaggers will be properly attired, orange or fluorescent type III vests and white hard hats are required. Proper flagging procedures must be demonstrated by all workers in accordance with the "Texas Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Device." A list of all qualified flaggers will be furnished by the Contractor before beginning work. This list will be updated as flaggers become qualified.

Provide flaggers at the ends of work areas and at all other points of conflict with roadway machinery and roadway traffic when and as directed.

No equipment will be left within 30 feet of the travel way. Equipment and/or obstructions within 30 feet of the travel way will be removed or clearly marked by warning lights and barricades, as directed.

ITEM 506 – Temporary Erosion, Sedimentation, and Environmental Controls:

Place erosion or pollution control measures deemed necessary by the Engineer. Work performed for which there is no applicable pay items in the contract will be reimbursed in accordance with Article 9.7, "Payment for Extra Work and Force Account Method".

The project is exempt from the Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (TPDES) General Permit (TXR15000). Exempt projects are those that disturb less than one acre or routine maintenance activities that maintain the original line and grade, hydraulic capacity, or original purposes of the site. No temporary erosion control measures or Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SW3P) have been included in the plans.

ITEM 530 – Intersections, Driveways, and Turnouts:

Unless otherwise shown in the plans, furnish W2.9 x W2.9 welded wire reinforcing in all concrete driveways.

ITEM 540 – Metal Beam Guard Fence:

Furnish round timber posts unless otherwise shown.

Place sufficient dry batch concrete mix in holes to ensure minimum of 2-inch embedment of tubes and posts.

ITEM 544 – Guardrail End Treatments:

Place sufficient dry batch concrete mix in holes to ensure minimum of 2-inch embedment of tubes and posts.

Place fence wire on the field side of post unless otherwise directed.

ITEM 636 - Signs:

Ensure the location and details of the fabrication, assembly and erection of the aluminum signs are in accordance with the details shown on the plans.

Transport signs in such a manner as to not damage the high intensity reflective sheeting. Carry signs in a standing position within a divider rack assembly.

ITEM 644 – Small Roadside Sign Assemblies:

Type A signs will be made of flat aluminum.

Existing sign assemblies will be removed after the proposed sign is installed. Contractor will leave existing sign in place while proposed sign goes up. The existing sign will be removed immediately after the proposed sign is installed.

For this project, the standard triangular slip base two bolt casting will be used. This casting must be furnished from an approved manufacturer.

Erect the proposed signs an appropriate distance from adjacent signs in accordance with the Texas MUTCD, as directed and as shown on the plans.

Verify the elevation difference between the edge of the travel lane and bottom of the sign.

Do not remove existing sign assemblies until signs are ready to be installed on new mounts.

Sign assemblies associated with warning signs or stop or yield signs will require Omni - Directional Post Wrap. Retroreflective sheeting wrapped around a warning sign is yellow. Stop or Yield signs will require red sheeting. Retroreflective sheeting wrapped around a sign has a height on the post of at least 12 inches. The bottom of the retroreflective sheeting will be placed two feet below the bottom of the sign. The Engineer will approve the retroreflective sheeting wrap prior to any installation. This work will not be paid for separately; but will be subsidiary to this Item.

Flat aluminum signs removed on the project will remain property of the State. The signs are to be delivered to the nearest Atlanta District Maintenance office yard, coordinate delivery with the Engineer. Mounting hardware and supports will remain property of the contractor to dispose of in accordance with federal, state and local regulations. This work will not be paid for separately but will be subsidiary to this Item.

ITEM 658 – Delineator and Object Marker Assemblies:

Install only round posts meeting the requirements of DMS-4400 or as directed.

ITEM 662 – Work Zone Pavement Markings:

Non-removable pavement markings may be paint and beads.

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ITEM 3077 - Superpave Mixtures:

Use field sand with a sand equivalent value of at least 35 when sampled and tested in accordance with Tex-203-F.

The Plant is the designated aggregate sampling location, unless otherwise approved by the Engineer.

Construct longitudinal joints in the surface course as shown in the plans. Construct longitudinal joints in all other courses by tapering the bituminous mat as shown in the plans or providing a 6-inch minimum offset from lift to lift. Extend the tapered portion of the mat beyond the normal lane width. Construct the tapered portion of the mat using an approved strike-off device that will provide a uniform slope and will not restrict the main screed. Apply tack coat to the in-place taper before the adjacent mat is placed. Final density requirements for the entire pavement, including the taper area will not change. Compaction of the initial taper section will be required to be as near to final density as possible. Use a small static roller (approximately 200 lbs.) located immediately behind the paver for pre-compaction of the notched wedge joint.

The Engineer will determine the correction when the total thickness of the ACP at any location, is deficient by more than ¼". Correct by adjusting the profile grade or removing and replacing the pavement structure to the correct grade, lines and thickness as shown on the plans. Correction of defective work will be in accordance with Section 5.3.2, "Correction of Defective or Unauthorized Work".

Construct longitudinal joints so that the hot side overlaps the cold side by 0.5 inch minimum at the joint.

Furnish clean 5-gallon plastic buckets with lids and wire handles for sampling, transporting, and shipping aggregate and base to the District Lab.

Beginning with the final lift of embankment, measure the cross slope during pavement structure operations, at the completion of each land, and prior to covering with another course or lift to ensure that the cross slope is uniform and in compliance with the cross slope shown in the plans. Measure the cross slope at a minimum frequency of one measurement every 100 feet. The number of measurements may be reduced by demonstrating consistently acceptable results, with the approval of the Engineer. Furnish a digital measuring device approved by the Engineer for the measurement of cross slope. Make this measuring device available at the jobsite for the Engineer's use. Report the cross slope to the nearest 0.1%. Record all measurements on an approved form signed and dated certifying correct and submit to the Engineer the next working day for documentation. The Engineer will determine the number of verification measurements.

For hot-mix items, in place of typical tack material shown in Table 18 under Item 300, use a tracking resistant asphalt interlayer (TRAIL) material as a tack coat. Approved TRAIL products are found on TxDOT's Material Producer List under Asphalt Interlayer (Tracking Resistant) through http://www.txdot.gov/business/resources/materials.html.

There should be little to no evidence of tracking or pickup of the tack coat on the wheels of the equipment as determined by the Engineer. Use approved release agents or misters on equipment tires as necessary.

ITEM 3080 – Stone-Matrix Asphalt:

Beginning with the final lift of embankment, measure the cross slope during pavement structure operations, at the completion of each land, and prior to covering with another course or lift to ensure that the cross slope is uniform and in compliance with the cross slope shown in the plans. Measure the cross slope at a minimum frequency of one measurement every 100 feet. The number of measurements may be reduced by demonstrating consistently acceptable results, with the approval of the Engineer. Furnish a digital measuring device approved by the Engineer for the measurement of cross slope. Make this measuring device available at the jobsite for the Engineer's use. Report the cross slope to the nearest 0.1%. Record all measurements on an approved form signed and dated certifying correct and submit to the Engineer the next working day for documentation. The Engineer will determine the number of verification measurements.

Furnish clean 5-gallon plastic buckets with lids and wire handles for sampling, transporting, and shipping aggregate and base to the District Lab.

The Plant is the designated aggregate sampling location, unless otherwise approved by the Engineer.

Construct longitudinal joints in the surface course as shown in the plans. Construct longitudinal joints in all other courses by tapering the bituminous mat as shown in the plans or providing a 6 in. minimum offset from lift to lift. Extend the tapered portion of the mat beyond the normal lane width. Construct the tapered portion of the mat using an approved strike-off device that will provide a uniform slope and will not restrict the main screed. Apply tack coat to the in-place taper before the adjacent mat is placed. Final density requirements for the entire pavement, including the taper area will not change. Compaction of the initial taper section will be required to be as near to final density as possible. Use a small static roller (approximately 200 lbs) located immediately behind the paver for pre-compaction of the notched wedge joint.

The Engineer will determine the correction when the total thickness of the ACP at any location, is deficient by more than 1/4 in. Correct by adjusting the profile grade or removing and replacing the pavement structure to the correct grade, lines and thickness as shown on the plans. Correction of defective work will be in accordance with Section 5.3.2, "Correction of Defective or Unauthorized Work"**.**

For hot-mix items, in place of typical tack material shown in Table 18 under Item 300, use a tracking resistant asphalt interlayer (TRAIL) material as a tack coat. Approved TRAIL products are found on TxDOT's Material Producer List under Asphalt Interlayer (Tracking Resistant) through http://www.txdot.gov/business/resources/materials.html.

There should be little to no evidence of tracking or pickup of the tack coat on the wheels of the equipment as determined by the Engineer. Use approved release agents or misters on equipment tires as necessary.

Construct longitudinal joints so that the hot side overlaps the cold side by 0.5 inch minimum at the joint.

The use of RAP and RAS is not permitted in any layers.

ITEM 6001 – Portable Changeable Message Sign:

Portable Changeable Message signs will be used on this contract. They may also be required at other locations as directed by the Engineer. The Engineer will provide the Contractor with the location and the messages to be displayed for each specific event. The Engineer or his representative will inspect each location once the Contractor has placed the message boards to verify that the placement and message is correct. The Contractor will change the message board location and modify the message being displayed as directed before leaving the location to the satisfaction of the Engineer or his representative. The Portable Changeable Message Signs will be paid for by the day after installed and fully operational. The Engineer will notify the Contractor when the Portable Changeable Message Signs are needed, and the Contractor will have the Portable Changeable Message Signs on location and fully operational in 5 working days. In cases of emergency the Contractor will have the Portable Changeable Message Signs on location and fully operational in 3 working days. Refer to traffic control plan sheets for typical temporary portable changeable message sign layout.

Item 6056 – Preformed In-Lane (Transverse)/Centerline Rumble Strips:

Supply all equipment and materials necessary for placement of In-Lane or Transverse Rumble Strips.

Use transverse rumble strips as centerline rumble strips and edge line rumble strips. The rumble strips will be black in color.

Ensure strict placement for centering and aligning all centerline transverse rumble strips. Placement of material will be strictly enforced. Irregular bars not centered or aligned properly will not be accepted.

Do not place pavement markings until rumble strips are accepted by written acceptance.

Provide a 90-day performance period that begins the day following written acceptance for each separate location. The written acceptance does not constitute final acceptance.

Replacement of all In-Lane or Transverse Rumble Strips within in a separate location will be required when 30% loss of an individual rumble strips exists on 20% of the length of a location or when 500 mil thickness is not maintained. Visual evaluation will be used for these determinations. Upon request, the Engineer will allow a Contractor representative to accompany the Engineer on these evaluations.

Replace all In-Lane or Transverse Rumble Strips identified during the performance period within 30 days after notification. The end of the performance period does not relive the Contractor from the performance deficiencies requiring corrective action identified during the performance period.

No additional payment will be made for replacement of In-Lane or Transverse Rumble Strips failing to meet the performance requirements.

ITEM 6149 – All-Weather Thermoplastic Pavement Markings:

A mobile unit will be required to take reflectivity readings, readings will be taken on all lines in both directions. The mobile reflectivity readings will not be paid for separately but will be subsidiary to this bid item. Strict compliance with report output will be exercised in accordance to this general note. Information for each road must be together in the same file and submitted on a USB thumb drive. Submit a table of contents for each USB thumb drive. Each thumb drive will contain a customer interactive report that generates a color-coded map where the user can verify passing and failing sections of roadway. The color-coded map should match the color-coded graphs generated by the data in the computer. The graphs should have a color-coded portion or shaded area representing failing and passing. The map should be standard Google earth maps or equal. Reports need to be in numerical order by reference number, concurrent with direction,

labeled and separated by color, and include the posting date. The format will require prior acceptance by the Engineer.

Use a mobile retroreflectometer that is prequalified at the Texas A&M Transportation Institute test facility. The prequalification is at the contractor's expense.

The required values of wet and dry readings will be strictly measured within this contract as per manufacturer's recommendations.

Adjustments to locations of no passing zones will be determined by the Department. Install a seal coat RPM cover or any other method approved on any line having Raised Pavement Markers. Remove and dispose of the covers after the stripe is complete.

Placement of markings in proper alignment will be strictly enforced. Irregular lines placed on both sides of the existing markings or pilot line will not be accepted.

ITEM 6185–Truck Mounted Attenuator (TMA) and Trailer Attenuator (TA):

The shadow vehicle with truck mounted attenuator (TMA) will not be optional but will be required as shown on the appropriate traffic control plan sheets.

A total of two (2) shadow vehicle with TMA will be required for work. The contractor will be responsible for determining if one or more of these operations will be ongoing at the same time to determine the total number of TMA's needed for the project.

A total of two (2) shadow vehicles with TMA will be required for Pavement Marking Operations.