

Control	1911-01-022, ETC.
Project	STP 2B24(356)VRU, ETC.
Highway	FM 2004
County	GALVESTON

ADDENDUM ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Each bidder is required to acknowledge receipt of an addendum issued for a specific project. This page is provided for the purpose of acknowledging an addendum.

FAILURE TO ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF AN ADDENDUM WILL RESULT IN THE BID NOT BEING READ.

In order to properly acknowledge an addendum place a mark in the box next to the respective addendum.

- ADDENDUM NO. 1
- ADDENDUM NO. 2
- ADDENDUM NO. 3
- ADDENDUM NO. 4
- ADDENDUM NO. 5

In addition, the bidder by affixing their signature to the signature page of the proposal is acknowledging that they have taken the addendum(s) into consideration when preparing their bid and that the information contained in the addendum will be included in the contract, if awarded by the Commission or other designees.

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PROPOSAL TO THE TEXAS TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

2014 SPECIFICATIONS

WORK CONSISTING OF HAZARD ELIMINATION & SAFETY GALVESTON COUNTY, TEXAS

The quantities in the proposal are approximate. The quantities of work and materials may be increased or decreased as considered necessary to complete the work as planned and contemplated.

This project is to be completed in 164 working days and will be accepted when fully completed and finished to the satisfaction of the Executive Director or designee.

Provide a proposal guaranty in the form of a Cashier's Check, Teller's Check (including an Official Check) or Bank Money Order on a State or National Bank or Savings and Loan Association, or State or Federally chartered Credit Union made payable to the Texas Transportation Commission in the following amount:

FIFTY-SIX THOUSAND (Dollars) (\$56,000)

A bid bond may be used as the required proposal guaranty. The bond form may be detached from the proposal for completion. The proposal may not be disassembled to remove the bond form. The bond must be in accordance with Item 2 of the specifications.

Any addenda issued amending this proposal and/or the plans that have been acknowledged by the bidder, become part of this proposal.

By signing the proposal the bidder certifies:

1. the only persons or parties interested in this proposal are those named and the bidder has not directly or indirectly participated in collusion, entered into an agreement or otherwise taken any action in restraint of free competitive bidding in connection with the above captioned project.
2. in the event of the award of a contract, the organization represented will secure bonds for the full amount of the contract.
3. the signatory represents and warrants that they are an authorized signatory for the organization for which the bid is submitted and they have full and complete authority to submit this bid on behalf of their firm.
4. that the certifications and representations contained in the proposal are true and accurate and the bidder intends the proposal to be taken as a genuine government record.

• **Signed:** **

(1) _____ (2) _____ (3) _____

Print Name:

(1) _____ (2) _____ (3) _____

Title:

(1) _____ (2) _____ (3) _____

Company:

(1) _____ (2) _____ (3) _____

- Signatures to comply with Item 2 of the specifications.

**Note: Complete (1) for single venture, through (2) for joint venture and through (3) for triple venture.

* **When the working days field contains an asterisk (*) refer to the Special Provisions and General Notes.**

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

ANY CONTRACTORS INTENDING TO BID ON ANY WORK TO BE AWARDED BY THIS DEPARTMENT MUST SUBMIT A SATISFACTORY “AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENT” AND “EXPERIENCE QUESTIONNAIRE” AT LEAST TEN DAYS PRIOR TO THE LETTING DATE.

UNIT PRICES MUST BE SUBMITTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH ITEM 2 OF THE STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS OR SPECIAL PROVISION TO ITEM 2 FOR EACH ITEM LISTED IN THIS PROPOSAL.

TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

BID BOND

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS,

That we, (Contractor Name) _____

Hereinafter called the Principal, and (Surety Name) _____

a corporation or firm duly authorized to transact surety business in the State of Texas, hereinafter called the Surety, are held and firmly bound unto the Texas Department of Transportation, hereinafter called the Obligee, in the sum of not less than two percent (2%) of the department's engineer's estimate, rounded to the nearest one thousand dollars, not to exceed one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) as a proposal guaranty (amount displayed on the cover of the proposal), the payment of which sum will and truly be made, the said Principal and the said Surety, bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

WHEREAS, the principal has submitted a bid for the following project identified as:

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NOW, THEREFORE, if the Obligee shall award the Contract to the Principal and the Principal shall enter into the Contract in writing with the Obligee in accordance with the terms of such bid, then this bond shall be null and void. If in the event of failure of the Principal to execute such Contract in accordance with the terms of such bid, this bond shall become the property of the Obligee, without recourse of the Principal and/or Surety, not as a penalty but as liquidated damages.

Signed this _____ Day of _____ 20_____

By: _____
(Contractor/Principal Name)

(Signature and Title of Authorized Signatory for Contractor/Principal)

*By: _____
(Surety Name)

(Signature of Attorney-in-Fact)

Impressed
Surety Seal
Only

*Attach Power of attorney (Surety) for Attorney-in-Fact

This form may be removed from the proposal.

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BIDDER'S CHECK RETURN

IMPORTANT

The space provided for the return address must be completed to facilitate the return of your bidder's check. Care must be taken to provide a legible, accurate, and complete return address, including zip code. A copy of this sheet should be used for each different return address.

NOTE

Successful bidders will receive their guaranty checks with the executed contract.

RETURN BIDDERS CHECK TO (PLEASE PRINT):

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IMPORTANT

PLEASE RETURN THIS SHEET IN ITS ENTIRETY

Please acknowledge receipt of this check(s) at your earliest convenience by signing below in longhand, in ink, and returning this acknowledgement in the enclosed self addressed envelope.

Check Received By: _____ Date: _____

Title: _____

For (Contractor's Name): _____

Project _____ County _____

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NOTICE TO THE BIDDER

In the space provided below, please enter your total bid amount for this project. Only this figure will be read publicly by the Department at the public bid opening.

It is understood and agreed by the bidder in signing this proposal that the total bid amount entered below is not binding on either the bidder or the Department. It is further agreed that **the official total bid amount for this proposal will be determined by multiplying the unit bid prices for each pay item by the respective estimated quantities shown in this proposal and then totaling all of the extended amounts.**

\$ _____
Total Bid Amount

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 Project STP 2000(938)HES
 Highway SH 20
 County EL PASO

ALT	ITEM	DESC	SP	Bid Item Description	Unit	Quantity	Bid Price	Amount	Seq
	I04	509	X	REMOV CONC (SDWLK)	MSY	266.400	\$10.000	\$2,664.00	1
Total Bid Amount								\$2,664.00	

Signed _____
 Title _____
 Date _____

Additional Signature for Joint Venture:

Signed _____
 Title _____
 Date _____

EXAMPLE OF BID PRICES SUBMITTED BY COMPUTER PRINTOUT

EXAMPLE

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EXAMPLE

EXAMPLES

BID PRICES SUBMITTED BY HAND WRITTEN FORMAT

ALT	ITEM-CODE			UNIT BID PRICE <u>ONLY</u> WRITTEN IN WORDS	UNIT	APPROX QUANTITIES	DEPT USE ONLY
	ITEM NO	DESC NO	S.P. NO.				
	190	026		RED OAK 1 1/2 - 1 3/4 GAL BB	EA	9.000	1
					L	E	

Unit price for each plant in place

	249	014		FLEX BASE(DEL)(DENSOT)(TY A GR4 CL2)	TON	56,787.00	14
					L	E	

Unit price for each ton of Flexible Base

	430	001	001	CL A CONC FOR EXT STR (CULV)	CY	45.000	27
					L	E	

Unit price for each cubic yard of Concrete

	610	007	001	RDWY ILL ASSEM(TY ST 50T-8-8)(.4 KW)S	EA	13.000	7
					L	E	

Unit price of each Roadway Illumination Assembly

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	ITEM NO	DESC CODE	S.P. NO.				
	104	6009		REMOVING CONC (RIPRAP) DOLLARS and CENTS	SY	73.000	1
	104	6011		REMOVING CONC (MEDIANS) DOLLARS and CENTS	SY	27.000	2
	104	6017		REMOVING CONC (DRIVEWAYS) DOLLARS and CENTS	SY	174.000	3
	104	6036		REMOVING CONC (SIDEWALK OR RAMP) DOLLARS and CENTS	SY	1,092.000	4
	105	6045		REMOVING STAB BASE AND ASPH PAV (2"- 8") DOLLARS and CENTS	SY	1,495.000	5
	110	6001		EXCAVATION (ROADWAY) DOLLARS and CENTS	CY	2,642.000	6
	132	6006	001	EMBANKMENT (FINAL)(DENS CONT)(TY C) DOLLARS and CENTS	CY	1,694.000	7
	162	6002		BLOCK SODDING DOLLARS and CENTS	SY	4,432.000	8
	166	6001		FERTILIZER DOLLARS and CENTS	AC	.910	9
	168	6001		VEGETATIVE WATERING DOLLARS and CENTS	MG	113.000	10
	400	6005		CEM STABIL BKFL DOLLARS and CENTS	CY	15.000	11

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	ITEM NO	DESC CODE	S.P. NO.				
	416	6029		DRILL SHAFT (RDWY ILL POLE) (30 IN) DOLLARS and CENTS	LF	8.000	12
	416	6032		DRILL SHAFT (TRF SIG POLE) (36 IN) DOLLARS and CENTS	LF	16.000	13
	416	6034		DRILL SHAFT (TRF SIG POLE) (48 IN) DOLLARS and CENTS	LF	66.000	14
	432	6002		RIPRAP (CONC)(5 IN) DOLLARS and CENTS	CY	3.000	15
	450	6103	001	RAIL (TY PR11) DOLLARS and CENTS	LF	1,075.000	16
	462	6054	002	CONC BOX CULV (6 FT X 3 FT)(EXTEND) DOLLARS and CENTS	LF	20.000	17
	464	6005	001	RC PIPE (CL III)(24 IN) DOLLARS and CENTS	LF	118.000	18
	466	6005		HEADWALL (CH - FW - 0) (DIA= 24 IN) DOLLARS and CENTS	EA	4.000	19
	466	6209		WINGWALL (SW - 0) (HW=6 FT) DOLLARS and CENTS	EA	2.000	20
	467	6007		SET (TY I) (24 IN) (6: 1) (C) DOLLARS and CENTS	EA	5.000	21
	479	6001		ADJUSTING MANHOLES DOLLARS and CENTS	EA	2.000	22
	496	6004		REMOV STR (SET) DOLLARS and CENTS	EA	1.000	23

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	ITEM NO	DESC CODE	S.P. NO.				
	496	6005		REMOV STR (WINGWALL) DOLLARS and CENTS	EA	4.000	24
	496	6006		REMOV STR (HEADWALL) DOLLARS and CENTS	EA	2.000	25
	500	6001		MOBILIZATION DOLLARS and CENTS	LS	1.000	26
	502	6001	008	BARRICADES, SIGNS AND TRAFFIC HAN- DLING DOLLARS and CENTS	MO	12.000	27
	506	6038	005	TEMP SEDMT CONT FENCE (INSTALL) DOLLARS and CENTS	LF	1,006.000	28
	506	6039	005	TEMP SEDMT CONT FENCE (REMOVE) DOLLARS and CENTS	LF	1,006.000	29
	529	6011		CONC CURB (DOWEL) DOLLARS and CENTS	LF	40.000	30
	529	6015		CONC CURB (TY C1) DOLLARS and CENTS	LF	3,720.000	31
	529	6016		CONC CURB (TY F1) DOLLARS and CENTS	LF	658.000	32
	529	6018		CONC CURB (TY F3) DOLLARS and CENTS	LF	417.000	33
	530	6004		DRIVEWAYS (CONC) DOLLARS and CENTS	SY	779.000	34
	530	6005		DRIVEWAYS (ACP) DOLLARS and CENTS	SY	1,041.000	35

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	ITEM NO	DESC CODE	S.P. NO.				
	531	6003		CONC SIDEWALKS (6") DOLLARS and CENTS	SY	6,897.000	36
	531	6005		CURB RAMPS (TY 2) DOLLARS and CENTS	EA	3.000	37
	531	6009		CURB RAMPS (TY 6) DOLLARS and CENTS	EA	1.000	38
	531	6010		CURB RAMPS (TY 7) DOLLARS and CENTS	EA	28.000	39
	531	6016		CURB RAMPS (TY 21) DOLLARS and CENTS	EA	2.000	40
	610	6130		IN RD IL (TY SA) 20T-8 (250W EQ) LED DOLLARS and CENTS	EA	1.000	41
	618	6046		CONDT (PVC) (SCH 80) (2") DOLLARS and CENTS	LF	190.000	42
	618	6047		CONDT (PVC) (SCH 80) (2") (BORE) DOLLARS and CENTS	LF	170.000	43
	618	6053		CONDT (PVC) (SCH 80) (3") DOLLARS and CENTS	LF	55.000	44
	618	6058		CONDT (PVC) (SCH 80) (4") DOLLARS and CENTS	LF	155.000	45
	618	6059		CONDT (PVC) (SCH 80) (4") (BORE) DOLLARS and CENTS	LF	275.000	46
	618	6074		CONDT (RM) (3") DOLLARS and CENTS	LF	20.000	47

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	ITEM NO	DESC CODE	S.P. NO.				
	620	6002		ELEC CONDR (NO.14) INSULATED DOLLARS and CENTS	LF	20.000	48
	620	6007		ELEC CONDR (NO.8) BARE DOLLARS and CENTS	LF	665.000	49
	620	6012		ELEC CONDR (NO.4) INSULATED DOLLARS and CENTS	LF	360.000	50
	621	6005		TRAY CABLE (4 CONDR) (12 AWG) DOLLARS and CENTS	LF	860.000	51
	624	6010		GROUND BOX TY D (162922)W/APRON DOLLARS and CENTS	EA	10.000	52
	628	6145		ELC SRV TY D 120/240 060(NS)SS(E)SP(O) DOLLARS and CENTS	EA	1.000	53
	636	6012	001	INSTALL ALUMINUM SIGNS (TY G) DOLLARS and CENTS	EA	4.000	54
	644	6070		RELOCATE SM RD SN SUP&AM TY S80 DOLLARS and CENTS	EA	35.000	55
	672	6012	001	TRAFFIC BUTTON TY I-C DOLLARS and CENTS	EA	22.000	56
	677	6002		ELIM EXT PAV MRK & MRKS (6") DOLLARS and CENTS	LF	779.000	57
	677	6005		ELIM EXT PAV MRK & MRKS (12") DOLLARS and CENTS	LF	617.000	58
	677	6007		ELIM EXT PAV MRK & MRKS (24") DOLLARS and CENTS	LF	98.000	59

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	ITEM NO	DESC CODE	S.P. NO.				
	678	6002		PAV SURF PREP FOR MRK (6") DOLLARS and CENTS	LF	2,343.000	60
	678	6008		PAV SURF PREP FOR MRK (24") DOLLARS and CENTS	LF	734.000	61
	680	6003	006	INSTALL HWY TRF SIG (SYSTEM) DOLLARS and CENTS	EA	1.000	62
	680	6004	006	REMOVING TRAFFIC SIGNALS DOLLARS and CENTS	EA	1.000	63
	682	6001		VEH SIG SEC (12")LED(GRN) DOLLARS and CENTS	EA	9.000	64
	682	6002		VEH SIG SEC (12")LED(GRN ARW) DOLLARS and CENTS	EA	4.000	65
	682	6003		VEH SIG SEC (12")LED(YEL) DOLLARS and CENTS	EA	9.000	66
	682	6004		VEH SIG SEC (12")LED(YEL ARW) DOLLARS and CENTS	EA	8.000	67
	682	6005		VEH SIG SEC (12")LED(RED) DOLLARS and CENTS	EA	9.000	68
	682	6006		VEH SIG SEC (12")LED(RED ARW) DOLLARS and CENTS	EA	4.000	69
	682	6018		PED SIG SEC (LED)(COUNTDOWN) DOLLARS and CENTS	EA	8.000	70
	682	6049		BACKPLATE W/REFL BRDR(4 SEC) DOLLARS and CENTS	EA	4.000	71

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	ITEM NO	DESC CODE	S.P. NO.				
	682	6060		BACKPLATE W/REFL BRDR(3 SEC) DOLLARS and CENTS	EA	9.000	72
	684	6007		TRF SIG CBL (TY A)(12 AWG)(2 CONDR) DOLLARS and CENTS	LF	1,065.000	73
	684	6009		TRF SIG CBL (TY A)(12 AWG)(4 CONDR) DOLLARS and CENTS	LF	990.000	74
	684	6012		TRF SIG CBL (TY A)(12 AWG)(7 CONDR) DOLLARS and CENTS	LF	2,260.000	75
	684	6021		TRF SIG CBL (TY A)(12 AWG)(16 CONDR) DOLLARS and CENTS	LF	260.000	76
	684	6049		TRF SIG CBL (TY A)(16 AWG)(3 CONDR) DOLLARS and CENTS	LF	45.000	77
	686	6045	002	INS TRF SIG PL AM(S)1 ARM(44') DOLLARS and CENTS	EA	1.000	78
	686	6055	002	INS TRF SIG PL AM(S)1 ARM(50')LUM DOLLARS and CENTS	EA	1.000	79
	686	6059	002	INS TRF SIG PL AM(S)1 ARM(55')LUM DOLLARS and CENTS	EA	2.000	80
	687	6001		PED POLE ASSEMBLY DOLLARS and CENTS	EA	6.000	81
	688	6001		PED DETECT PUSH BUTTON (APS) DOLLARS and CENTS	EA	6.000	82
	688	6003		PED DETECTOR CONTROLLER UNIT DOLLARS and CENTS	EA	1.000	83

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	ITEM NO	DESC CODE	S.P. NO.				
	6001	6001		PORTABLE CHANGEABLE MESSAGE SIGN DOLLARS and CENTS	DAY	356.000	84
	6007	6023		FIBER OPTIC PATCH PANEL (12 POSITION) DOLLARS and CENTS	EA	1.000	85
	6038	6004		MULTIPOLYMER PAV MRK (W)(6")(SLD) DOLLARS and CENTS	LF	2,343.000	86
	6038	6013		MULTIPOLYMER PAV MRK (W)(24")(SLD) DOLLARS and CENTS	LF	734.000	87
	6058	6001		BBU SYSTEM (EXTERNAL BATT CABINET) DOLLARS and CENTS	EA	1.000	88
	6089	6002		CAT 5 ETHERNET CABLE DOLLARS and CENTS	LF	140.000	89
	6185	6002	002	TMA (STATIONARY) DOLLARS and CENTS	DAY	178.000	90
	6292	6004		RVDS(PRESENCE DET ONLY)(INSTALL ONLY) DOLLARS and CENTS	EA	4.000	91
	6292	6005		RVDS(ADVANCE DET ONLY)(INSTALL ONLY) DOLLARS and CENTS	EA	4.000	92
	7017	6051		MANHOLE (SAN SEWER) (4' DIA) DOLLARS and CENTS	EA	3.000	93
	7049	6379		REMOVE EXISTING MANHOLE DOLLARS and CENTS	EA	3.000	94

CERTIFICATION OF INTEREST IN OTHER BID PROPOSALS FOR THIS WORK

By signing this proposal, the bidding firm and the signer certify that the following information, as indicated by checking "Yes" or "No" below, is true, accurate, and complete.

- A. Quotation(s) have been issued in this firm's name to other firm(s) interested in this work for consideration for performing a portion of this work.

_____ YES

_____ NO

- B. If this proposal is the low bid, the bidder agrees to provide the following information prior to award of the contract.

1. Identify firms which bid as a prime contractor and from which the bidder received quotations for work on this project.
2. Identify all the firms which bid as a prime contractor to which the bidder gave quotations for work on this project.

DISCLOSURE OF LOBBYING ACTIVITIES

Complete this form to disclose lobbying activities pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1352 (See reverse for public burden disclosure.)

<p>1. Type of Federal Action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. contract b. grant c. cooperative agreement d. loan e. loan guarantee f. loan insurance 	<p>2. Status of Federal Action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. bid/offer/application b. initial award c. post-award 	<p>3. Report Type:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. initial filing b. grant <p style="text-align: right;">For material change only: year _____ quarter _____ date of last report _____</p>
<p>4. Name and Address of Reporting Entity:</p> <p>? Prime ? Subawardee</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Tier _____, if known:</p> <p>Congressional District, if known:</p>		<p>5. If Reporting Entity in No. 4 is Subawardee, Enter Name and Address of Prime:</p> <p>Congressional District, if known:</p>
<p>6. Federal Department/Agency:</p>	<p>7. Federal Program Name/Description:</p> <p>CFDA Number, if applicable: _____</p>	
<p>8. Federal Action Number, if known:</p>	<p>9. Award Amount, if known:</p> <p>\$ _____</p>	
<p>10. a. Name and Address of Lobbying Entity (if individual, last name, first name, MI):</p>		<p>b. Individuals Performing Services (including address if different from No. 10a) (last name, first name, MI):</p>
<p>(attach Continuation Sheet(s) SF-LLL-A, if necessary)</p>		
<p>11. Amount of Payment (check all that apply):</p> <p>\$ _____ actual planned</p>	<p>13. Type of Payment (check all that apply):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. retainer b. one-time fee c. commission d. contingent fee e. deferred f. other; specify: _____ 	
<p>12. Form of Payment (check all that apply)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. cash b. in-kind; specify: nature _____ <li style="padding-left: 150px;">value _____ 		
<p>14. Brief Description of Services Performed or to be Performed and Date(s) of Service, including officer(s), employee(s), or Member(s) contacted, for Payment Indicated in Item 11:</p> <p>(attach Continuation Sheet(s) SF-LLL-A, if necessary)</p>		
<p>15. Continuation Sheet(s) SF-LLL-A attached: ? Yes ? No</p>		
<p>16. Information requested through this form is authorized by title 31 U.S.C. section 1352. This disclosure of lobbying activities is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed by the tier above when this transaction was made or entered into. This disclosure is required pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1352. This information will be reported to the Congress semi-annually and will be available for public inspection. Any person who fails to file the required disclosure shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.</p>	<p>Signature: _____</p> <p>Print Name: _____</p> <p>Title: _____</p> <p>Telephone No: _____ Date: _____</p>	
<p>FEDERAL USE ONLY</p>		<p>Authorized for Local Reproduction Standard Form - LLL</p>

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETION OF SF-LLL, DISCLOSURE OF LOBBYING ACTIVITIES

This disclosure form shall be completed by the reporting entity, whether subawardee or prime Federal recipient, at the initiation or receipt of a covered Federal action, or a material change to a previous filing, pursuant to title 31 U.S.C section 1352. The filing of a form is required for each payment or agreement to make payment to any lobbying entity for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with a covered Federal action. Use the SF-LLL-A Continuation Sheet for additional information if the space on the form is inadequate. Complete all items that apply for both the initial filing and material change report. Refer to the implementing guidance published by the Office of Management and Budget for additional information.

1. Identify the type of covered Federal action for which lobbying activity is and/or has been secured to influence the outcome of a covered Federal action.
2. Identify the status of the covered Federal action.
3. Identify the appropriate classification of this report. If this is a follow-up report caused by a material change to the information previously reported, enter the year and quarter in which the change occurred. Enter the date of the last previously submitted report by this reporting entity or this covered Federal action.
4. Enter the full name, address, city, state and zip code of the reporting entity. Include Congressional District, if known. Check the appropriate classification of the reporting entity that designates if it is, or expects to be, a prime or subaward recipient. Identify the tier of the subawardee, e.g., the first subawardee of the prime is the 1st tier. Subawards include but are not limited to subcontracts, subgrants and contract awards under grants.
5. If the organization filing the report in item 4 checks "Subawardee", then enter the full name, address, city, state and zip code of the prime Federal recipient. Include Congressional District, if known.
6. Enter the name of the Federal agency making the award or loan commitment. Include at least one organizational level below agency name, if known. For example, Department of Transportation, United States Coast Guard.
7. Enter the Federal program name or description for the covered Federal action (item 1). If known, enter the full Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number for grants, cooperative agreements, loans, and loan commitments.
8. Enter the most appropriate Federal identifying number available for the Federal action identified in item 1 (e.g., Request for Proposal (RFP) number; Invitation for Bid (IFB) number; grant announcement number, the contract, grant, or loan award number; the application/proposal control number assigned by the Federal agency). Include prefixes, e.g., "RFP-DE-90-001."
9. For a covered Federal action where there has been an award or loan commitment by the Federal agency, enter the Federal amount of the award/loan commitment for the prime entity identified in item 4 or 5.
10. (a) Enter the full name, address, city, state and zip code of the lobbying entity engaged by the reporting entity identified in item 4 to influence the covered Federal action.
(b) Enter the full names of the individual(s) performing services, and include full address if different from 10(a). Enter Last Name, First Name, and Middle Initial (MI).
11. Enter the amount of compensation paid or reasonably expected to be paid by the reporting entity (item 4) to the lobbying entity (item 10). Indicate whether the payment has been made (actual) or will be made (planned). Check all boxes that apply. If this is a material change report, enter the cumulative amount of payment made or planned to be made.
12. Check the appropriate box(es). Check all boxes that apply. If payment is made through an in-kind contribution, specify the nature and value of the in-kind payment.
13. Check the appropriate box(es). Check all boxes that apply. If other, specify nature.
14. Provide a specific and detailed description of the services that the lobbyist has performed, or will be expected to perform, and the date(s) of any services rendered. Include all preparatory and related activity, not just time spent in actual contact with Federal officials. Identify the Federal official(s) or employee(s) contacted or the officer(s), employee(s), or Member(s) of Congress that were contacted.
15. Check whether or not a SF-LLL-A Continuation Sheet(s) is attached.
16. The certifying official shall sign and date the form, print his/her name, title, and telephone number.

Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 30 minutes per response, including time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to the Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project (0348-0046), Washington, D.C. 20503.

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CONTRACTOR'S ASSURANCE

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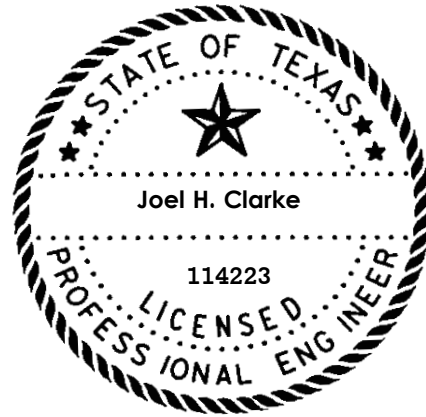
By signing this proposal, the contractor is giving assurances that all subcontract agreements will incorporate the Standard Specification and Special Provisions to Section 9.9., Payment Provisions for Subcontractors, all subcontract agreements exceeding \$2,000 will incorporate the applicable Wage Determination Decision, and all subcontract agreements will incorporate the following:

Special Provision	Certification of Nondiscrimination in Employment
Special Provision	Notice of Requirement for Affirmative Action to Ensure Equal Employment Opportunity (Executive Order 11246)
Special Provision	Standard Federal Equal Employment Opportunity
Construction	Construction Specifications (Executive Order 11246)
Form FHWA 1273	Required Contract Provisions Federal-aid Construction Contracts (Form FHWA 1273 must also be physically attached to subcontracts and all lower-tier subcontracts)
Special Provision	Nondiscrimination (Include provisions of Sections 3.1 – 3.6 in all subcontracts and agreements for materials)
Special Provision	Cargo Preference Act Requirements in Federal-Aid Contracts
Special Provision	Disadvantaged Business Enterprise in Federal-Aid Contracts

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The enclosed Texas Department of Transportation Specifications, Special Specifications, Special Provisions, General Notes and Specification Data in this document have been selected by me, or under my responsible supervision as being applicable to this project. Alteration of a sealed document without proper notification to the responsible engineer is an offense under the Texas Engineering Practice Act.



The seal appearing on this document was authorized by
Joel H. Clarke, P.E.
MAY 31, 2024

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General Notes:

General:

Area Engineer contact information for this project follows:

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Submit any questions about this project via the “Letting Pre-Bid Q&A” web page, located at:

<https://tableau.txdot.gov/views/ProjectInformationDashboard/NoticetoContractors>

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

Large files with relevant project documentation, such as geotechnical reports, as-built plans, and cross-sections will continue to be provided on the following FTP site:

[Index of /pub/txdot-info/Pre-Letting Responses/Houston District \(state.tx.us\)](http://index.of/pub/txdot-info/Pre-Letting%20Responses/Houston%20District) or

<https://ftp.dot.state.tx.us/pub/txdot-info/Pre-Letting%20Responses/Houston%20District/>

If fixed features require, the governing slopes shown may vary between the limits shown and to the extent determined by the Engineer.

Superelevate the curves to match the existing surface.

Notify the Engineer immediately if discrepancies are discovered in the horizontal control or the benchmark data.

The following standard detail sheets are modified:

Modified Standards

CD/PM(APS)PS (MOD)

References to manufacturer’s trade name or catalog numbers are for the purpose of identification only. Similar materials from other manufacturers are permitted if they are of equal quality, comply with the specifications for this project, and are approved, except for roadway illumination, electrical, and traffic signal items.

The cost for materials, labor, and incidentals to provide for traffic across the roadway and for ingress and egress to private property in accordance with Section 7.2.4 of the standard specifications is subsidiary to the various bid items. Restore access roadways to their original condition upon completing construction.

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Grade street intersections and median openings for surface drainage.

If a foundation is to be placed where a riprap surface or an asphalt concrete surface presently exists, use caution in breaking out the existing surface for placement. Break out no greater area than is required to place the foundation. After placing the foundation, wrap the periphery with 0.5 in. pre-molded mastic expansion joint. Then replace the remaining portion of the broken-out surface with Class A or Class C concrete or cold mix asphalt concrete to the exact slope, pattern, and thickness of the existing riprap or asphalt. Payment for breaking out the existing surface, wrapping the foundation, and replacing the surface is subsidiary to the various bid items.

The lengths of the posts for ground mounted signs and the tower legs for the overhead sign supports are approximate. Verify the lengths before ordering these materials to meet the existing field conditions and to conform to the minimum sign mounting heights shown in the plans.

Furnish aluminum Type A signs instead of plywood signs for signs shown on the Summary of Small Signs sheet.

Stencil the National Bridge Inventory (NBI) number on each existing bridge shown on these plans. The NBI number is shown above the title block for each bridge layout.

Clearly mark or highlight on the shop drawings, the items being furnished for this project. Submit required shop drawings in accordance with the shop drawing distribution list shown in the note for Item 5 for review and distribution.

Make requests for additional soil information for this project at the Area Engineer's office.

Unless otherwise shown on the plans or otherwise directed, commence work after sunrise and ensure construction equipment is off the road by sunset.

Procure permits and licenses, which are to be issued by the city, county, or Municipal Utility District (MUD).

General: Roadway Illumination and Electrical

For roadway illumination and electrical items, use materials from pre-qualified producers as shown on the Construction Division (CST) of the Department's material producers list. Check the latest link on the Department's website for this list. The category/item is "Roadway Illumination and Electrical Supplies." No substitutions will be allowed for materials found on this list.

Perform electrical work in conformance with the National Electrical Code (NEC) and the Department's standard sheets.

The Contractor may make the electrical grounding connections and permissible splices using the thermal fusion process, Cadweld, ThermOweld, or approved equal, instead of bolted connections and splices.

The Area Engineer will arrange with the Contractor, an inspection of the completed electrical systems for the highway lighting systems before final acceptance for compliance with plans and

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specifications. The inspection will be made with personnel from the electrical section of the Department's District Transportation Operations Office. The city's electrical division personnel will also inspect lighting systems within the city limits. Portions of the work found to be deficient during this inspection will not be accepted.

General: Traffic Signals

For traffic signal items, use materials from the Pre-Qualified Producers List (located at <http://www.dot.state.tx.us/GSD/purchasing/supps.htm>) and the materials pre-qualified for illumination and electrical items (located at <https://ftp.dot.state.tx.us/pub/txdot-info/cmd/mpl/archive/>) as shown on the Department's Material Producers List and the Roadway Illumination and Electrical Supplies List. Check the latest links on the Department's website for these lists. No substitutions will be allowed for materials found on these lists.

General: Site Management

Mow the grass and weeds within the project limits a maximum of 3 times a year as directed. This work is subsidiary to the various bid items.

Mark stations every 100 ft. and maintain the markings for the project duration. Remove the station markings at the completion of the project. This work is subsidiary to the various bid items.

Do not mix or store materials, or store or repair equipment, on top of concrete pavement or bridge decks unless authorized by the Engineer. Permission will be granted to store materials on surfaces if no damage or discoloration will result.

Personal vehicles of employees are not permitted to park within the right of way, including sections closed to public traffic. Employees may park on the right of way at the Contractor's office, equipment, and materials storage yard sites.

Assume ownership of debris and dispose of at an approved location. Do not dispose of debris on private property unless approved in writing by the District Engineer.

Control the dust caused by construction operations. For sweeping the base material in preparation for laying asphalt and for sweeping the finished concrete pavement, use one of the following types of sweepers or approved equal:

Tricycle Type

Wayne Series 900
Elgin White Wing
Elgin Pelican

Truck Type - 4 Wheel

M-B Cruiser II
Wayne Model 945
Mobile TE-3
Mobile TE-4
Murphy 4042

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General: Traffic Control and Construction

Schedule construction operations such that preparing individual items of work follows in close sequence to constructing storm drains in order to provide as little inconvenience as practical to the businesses and residents along the project.

Schedule work so that the base placement operations follow the subgrade work as closely as practical to reduce the hazard to the traveling public and to prevent undue delay caused by wet weather.

This project requires extensive grading operations in an environmentally sensitive area.

If relocating mailboxes, place them with the post firmly in the ground at nearby locations. Upon completing the project, the Engineer will locate the final mailbox placement. Perform this work in accordance with the requirements of the Item, "Mailbox Assemblies," except for measurement and payment. This work is subsidiary to the various bid items.

If fences cross construction easements shown on the plans and work is required beyond the fences, remove and replace the fences as directed. This work and the materials are subsidiary to the various bid items.

When design details are not shown on the plans, provide signs and arrows conforming to the latest "Standard Highway Sign Designs for Texas" manual.

General: Utilities

Consider the locations of underground utilities depicted in the plans as approximate and employ responsible care to avoid damaging utility facilities. Depending upon scope and magnitude of planned construction activities, advanced field confirmation by the utility owner or operator may be prudent. Where possible, protect and preserve permanent signs, markers, and designations of underground facilities.

If the Contractor damages or causes damage (breaks, leaks, nicks, dents, gouges, etc.) to the utility, contact the utility facility owner or operator immediately.

Be aware that an operational Computerized Transportation Management System (CTMS) exists within the limits of this project and that the system must remain operational throughout construction. If the Contractor damages or causes damage to this system, repair such damage within 8 hours of occurrence at no cost to the Department. In the event of system damage, notify the Director of Traffic Management Systems at 713-881-3283 within one hour of occurrence. Failure of the Contractor to repair damage to the main fiber optic cable and CCTV cable trunk lines, which convey all corridor information to TranStar, will result in the Contractor being billed for the full cost of emergency repairs.

At least 72 hours before starting work, make arrangements for locating existing Department-owned above ground and underground fiber optic, communications, power, illumination, and traffic signal cabling and conduit. Do this by calling the Department's Houston District Traffic Signal Operations Office at 713-802-5662, or by e-mailing the Department's Houston District

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Traffic Signal Operations Office at: HOU-LocateRequest@txdot.gov, to schedule marking of underground lines on the ground. Use caution if working in these areas to avoid damaging or interfering with existing facilities.

Notify the Engineer at least 48 hours before constructing junction boxes at storm drain and utility intersections.

Install or remove poles and luminaires located near overhead or underground electrical lines using established industry and utility safety practices. Consult the appropriate utility company before beginning such work.

If overhead or underground power lines need to be de-energized, contact the electrical service provider to perform this work. Costs associated with de-energizing the power lines or other protective measures required are at no expense to the Department.

If working near power lines, comply with the appropriate sections of Texas State Law and Federal Regulations relating to the type of work involved.

Perform electrical work in conformance with the National Electrical Code (NEC) and Department's standard sheets.

Before beginning any underground work, notify the City of Houston's Chief Inspector, Public Works and Engineering, to establish the locations of any existing electrical systems for lighting facilities within the limits of this project.

Item 5: Control of Work

Before contract letting, cross-section data for this project will be available to the prospective bidders in PDF format on the Department's Houston District website located at:

<https://ftp.dot.state.tx.us/pub/txdot-info/Pre-Letting%20Responses/Houston%20District/Construction%20Projects/>

The cross-section data provided above is for non-construction purposes only and it is the responsibility of the prospective bidder to validate the data with the appropriate plans, specifications, and estimates for the projects.

Submit shop drawings electronically for the fabrication of items as documented in Table 2 below. Information and requirements for electronic submittals can be viewed in the "Guide to Electronic Shop Drawing Submittal" which can be accessed through the following web link, https://ftp.txdot.gov/pub/txdot-info/library/pubs/bus/bridge/e_submit_guide.pdf References to 11 in. x 17 in. sheets in individual specifications for structural items imply electronic CAD sheets.

Table 2
2014 Construction Specification Required Shop/Working Drawing Submittals - Consultant Generated Plans

Spec Item No.'s	Product	Submittal Required	Approval Required (Y/N)	Contractor/ Fabricator P.E. Seal	Reviewing Party	Shop or Working Drawing
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				Required		(Note 1)
7.16.1&.2	Construction Load Analyses	Y	Y	Y	D	WD
400	Excavation and Backfill for Structures (cofferdams)	Y	N	Y	D	WD
403	Temporary Special Shoring	Y	N	Y	D	WD
420	Formwork/Falsework	Y	N	Y	D	WD
423	Retaining Walls, (calcs req'd.)	Y	Y	Y	D	SD
425	Optional Design Calculations (Prstrs Bms)	Y	Y	Y	D	SD
425	Prestr Concr Sheet Piling	Y	Y	N	D	SD
425	Prestr Concr Beams	Y	Y	N	D	SD
425	Prestr Concr Bent	Y	Y	N	D	SD
426	Post Tension Details	Y	Y	N	D	SD
434	Elastomeric Bearing Pads (All)	Y	Y	N	D	SD
441	Bridge Protective Assembly	Y	Y	N	D	SD
441	Misc Steel (various steel assemblies)	Y	Y	N	D	SD
441	Steel Pedestals (bridge raising)	Y	Y	N	D	SD
441	Steel Bearings	Y	Y	N	D	SD
441	Steel Bent	Y	Y	N	D	SD
441	Steel Diaphragms	Y	Y	N	D	SD
441	Steel Finger Joint	Y	Y	N	D	SD
441	Steel Plate Girder	Y	Y	N	D	SD
441	Steel Tub-Girders	Y	Y	N	D	SD
441	Erection Plans, including Falsework	Y	N	Y	D	WD
449	Sign Structure Anchor Bolts	Y	Y	N	D	SD
450	Railing	Y	Y	N	D	SD
462	Concrete Box Culvert	Y	Y	N	D	SD
462	Concrete Box Culvert (Alternate Designs Only, calcs reqd.)	Y	Y	Y	D	SD
464	Reinforced Concrete Pipe (Jack and Bore only; ONLY when requested)	Y	Y	Y	D	SD
465	Pre-cast Junction Boxes, Grates, and Inlets	Y	Y	N	D	SD
465	Pre-cast Junction Boxes, Grates, and Inlets (Alternate Designs Only, calcs req'd.)	Y	Y	Y	D	SD
466	Pre-cast Headwalls and Wingwalls	Y	Y	N	D	SD
467	Pre-cast Safety End Treatments	Y	Y	N	D	SD
495	Raising Existing Structure (calcs reqd.)	Y	Y	Y	D	SD
610	Roadway Illumination Supports (Non-Standard only, calcs reqd.)	Y	Y	Y	D	SD
613	High Mast Illumination Poles (Non-standard only, calcs reqd.)	Y	Y	Y	D	SD
627	Treated Timber Poles	Y	Y	N	D	SD
644	Special Non-Standard Supports (Bridge Mounts, Barrier Mounts, Etc.)	Y	Y	Y	D	SD
647	Large Roadside Sign Supports	Y	Y	Y	D	SD
650	Cantilever Sign Structure Supports - Alternate Design Calcs.	Y	Y	Y	D	SD
650	Sign Structures	Y	Y	N	D	SD
680	Installation of Highway Traffic Signals	Y	Y	N	D	SD

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682	Vehicle and Pedestrian Signal Heads	Y	Y	N	D	SD
684	Traffic Signal Cables	Y	Y	N	D	SD
685	Roadside Flashing Beacon Assemblies	Y	Y	N	D	SD
686	Traffic Signal Pole Assemblies (Steel) (Non-Standard only)	Y	Y	Y	D	SD
687	Pedestal Pole Assemblies	Y	Y	N	D	SD
688	Detectors	Y	Y	N	D	SD
784	Repairing Steel Bridge Members	Y	Y	Y	D	WD
SS	Prestr Concr Crown Span	Y	Y	N	D	SD
SS	Sound Barrier Walls	Y	Y	Y	D	SD
SS	Camera Poles	Y	Y	Y	TMS	SD
SS	Pedestrian Bridge (Calcs req'd.)	Y	Y	Y	D	SD
SS	Screw-In Type Anchor Foundations	Y	Y	N	D	SD
SS	Fiber Optic/Communication Cable	Y	Y	N	TMS	SD
SS	Spread Spectrum Radios for Signals	Y	Y	N	D	SD
SS	VIVDS System for Signals	Y	Y	N	D	SD
SS	CTMS Equipment	Y	Y	N	TMS	SD

Notes:

1. Document flow for Working Drawings differs from Shop Drawings in that Working Drawings must be submitted to the Engineer rather than the Engineer of Record and they are for the information of the Engineer only; an approval stamp and distribution to all project offices is not required.

Key to Reviewing Party

D – Consultant: Submit to Engineer of Record at magha@aghaengineering.com	
TMS – Traffic Management System	
Computerized Traffic Management Systems (CTMS)	HOU-CTMSShpDrwgs@txdot.gov

Item 6: Control of Materials

To comply with the latest provisions of the 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 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

Do not initiate activities in a Project Specific Location (PSL), associated with a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) permit area, that have not been previously evaluated by the USACE as part of the permit review of this project. Such activities include those pertaining to, but are not

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limited to, haul roads, equipment staging areas, borrow and disposal sites. Associated defined here means materials are delivered to or from the PSL. The permit area includes the waters of the U.S. or associated wetlands affected by activities associated with this project. Special restrictions may be required for such work. Assume responsibility for consultations with the USACE regarding activities, including PSLs that have not been previously evaluated by the USACE. Provide the Department with a copy of consultations or approvals from the USACE before initiating activities.

The Contractor may proceed with activities in PSLs that do not affect a USACE permit area if a self-determination has been made that the PSL is non-jurisdictional or if proper USACE clearances have been obtained in jurisdictional areas or have been previously evaluated by the USACE as part of the permit review of this project. The Contractor is solely responsible for documenting any determinations that their activities do not affect a USACE permit area. Maintain copies of their determinations for review by the Department or any regulatory agency.

Document and coordinate with the USACE, if required, before hauling any excavation from or hauling any embankment to a USACE permit area by either 1 or 2 below:

1. Restricted Use of Materials for the Previously Evaluated Permit Areas.

Document both the Project Specific Locations (PSL) and their authorization. Maintain copies for review by the Department or any regulatory agency. When an area within the project limits has been evaluated by the USACE as part of the permit process for this project:

- a. Suitable excavation of required material in the areas shown on the plans and cross sections as specified in the Item, "Excavation" is used for permanent or temporary fill (under the Item, "Embankment") within a USACE permit area.
- b. Suitable embankment (under the Item, "Embankment") from within the USACE permit area is used as fill within a USACE evaluated area.
- c. Unsuitable excavation or excess excavation, "Waste" (under the Item, "Excavation"), that is disposed of at a location approved within a USACE evaluated area.

2. Contractor Materials from Areas Other than Previously Evaluated Areas.

Provide the Department with a copy of USACE coordination or approvals before initiating any activities for an area within the project limits that has not been evaluated by the USACE or for any off right of way locations used for the following, but not limited to, haul roads, equipment staging areas, borrow and disposal sites:

- a. The Item, "Embankment" used for temporary or permanent fill within a USACE permit area.
- b. Unsuitable excavation or excess excavation, "Waste" (under the Item, "Excavation"), that is disposed of outside a USACE evaluated area.

The total area disturbed for this project is 4 acres. The disturbed area in this project, the project locations in the contract, and Contractor project specific locations (PSLs) within 1 mile of the project limits for the contract, will further establish the authorization requirements for storm water discharges. The Department will obtain an authorization to discharge storm water from

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the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for the construction activities shown on the plans. The Contractor is to obtain required authorization from the TCEQ for Contractor PSLs for construction support activities on or off the ROW. When the total area disturbed in the contract and PSLs within 1 mile of the project limits exceeds 5 acres, provide a copy of the Contractor NOI for PSLs on the ROW to the Engineer (to the appropriate MS4 operator when on an off-state system route) and to the local government that operates a separate storm drain system.

If the work is on or in the vicinity of an at-grade railroad crossing, involves incidental work on railroad right of way, or involves construction of a railroad grade separation structure, notify the railroad company's Division Engineer and the Department's Project Engineer at least 30 days before performing any work on the railroad right of way and make arrangements for railroad flaggers unless otherwise shown in the contract. Obtain the required Railroad Right of Entry Permit from the railroad company. Payment of applicable permit fees is the responsibility of the Contractor. Acquiring the Railroad Right of Entry Permit is a lengthy process, allow sufficient time for this.

No significant traffic generator events have been identified.

Item 8: Prosecution and Progress

The Department will not adjust the number of days for the project and milestones, if any, due to differences in opinion regarding any assumptions made in the preparation of the schedule or for errors, omissions, or discrepancies found in the time determination schedule.

Working days will be computed and charged based on a standard workweek in accordance with Section 8.3.1.4.

Lane Closure Assessment Fee is \$500. This fee applies to the Contractor for closures or obstructions that overlap into restricted hour traffic for each hour of portion thereof, per lane, regardless of the length of lane closure or obstruction. For Restricted Hours subject to Lane Assessment Fee refer to the Item, "Barricades, Signs, and Traffic Handling." The time increment for the Lane Closure Assessment fee for this project is one hour.

The maximum number of days the time charges on this contract may be suspended due to contractor mobilization, and material fabrication/accumulation or processing delays is 90 days. The Engineer and the Contractor may mutually agree, in writing, to decrease this maximum number of days.

Item 104: Removing Concrete

Removing concrete curb is paid as a separate bid item if the existing pavement on which it rests is not removed at the same time.

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Item 105: Removing Treated and Untreated Base and Asphalt Pavement

Removing curb on cement-treated and untreated base or on cement treatment being removed at the same time is subsidiary to this bid Item.

Obtain a secured site for the stockpile of the treated material to be salvaged from this project. Haul and stockpile the unused material as directed. This work is subsidiary to this bid Item.

Store the treated material salvaged from this project at the project sites designed by the Engineer.

Item 110: Excavation

If manipulating the excavated material requires moving the same material more than once to accomplish the desired results, the excavation is measured and paid for only once regardless of the manipulation required.

Transition the ditch grades and channel bottom widths at structure locations. Use only approved channel excavation in the embankment.

Item 132: Embankment

If salvaged base is used for the embankment material, break it into small pieces to achieve the required density and to facilitate placing in the embankment. Obtain approval of the material before placing in the embankment.

Furnish Type C material with a maximum Liquid Limit (LL) of 65, a minimum Plasticity Index (PI) of 5, and composed of suitable earth material such as loam, clay, or other materials that form a suitable embankment.

The embankment material used on the project which has a Liquid Limit exceeding 45 will be tested for Liquid Limits at the rate of one test per 20,000 cu. yd. or per total quantity less than 20,000 cu. yd., unless otherwise directed. Only use material that passes the above tests.

For unpaved areas, provide a finished grade with the top 4 in. capable of sustaining vegetation. Use fertile soil that is easily cultivated, free from objectionable material and highly resistant to erosion.

Item 162: Sodding for Erosion Control

Item 166: Fertilizer

Item 168: Vegetative Watering

Refer to the "Fertilizer, Seed, Sod, Straw, Compost, and Water" plan sheet for material specifications, application rates, and for watering requirements.

Item 305: Salvaging, Hauling, and Stockpiling Reclaimable Asphalt Pavement

Unless otherwise shown on the plans, Recycled Asphalt Pavement (RAP) generated by this project will become the property of the Contractor for use in the current construction project or in future projects.

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Item 400: Excavation and Backfill for Structures

Plugging existing pipe culverts is subsidiary to the various bid items.

If Recycled Cement Treatment (Type D) is included in the plans, the following additional requirements apply:

1. Use only approved sand, crushed concrete, or salvaged base free from deleterious matter, as aggregate for cement-stabilized backfill.
2. Provide crushed concrete or salvaged base backfill material in accordance with the Item, "Cement Treatment (Plant-Mixed) (Type D)" (base or crushed concrete), except the recycled Type D material must not contain Reclaimed Asphalt Pavement (RAP).
3. For backfill material below the spring line of pipes, use cement-stabilized sand rather than recycled Type D backfill material.
4. For the cement-stabilized sand backfill, use at least 7 percent of hydraulic cement based on the dry weight of the aggregate. The cement content for the crushed concrete and salvaged base is specified in the Item, "Cement Treatment (Plant-Mixed) (Type D)."
5. Place and compact the stabilized backfill material using a gradation that provides a dense mass without segregating and is impervious to passing of water.
6. Compact the mixture using density control unless otherwise shown on the plans. Place and compact the backfill within 2 hr. of mixing.

Item 416: Drilled Shaft Foundations

Include the cost for furnishing and installing anchor bolts mounted in the drilled shafts in the unit bid price for the various diameter drilled shafts.

The Department may test using ultrasonic methods the anchor bolts for overhead sign supports, light standards, and traffic signal poles after they are installed. Replace faulty anchor bolts as directed. Do not weld the anchor bolts.

Item 432: Riprap

If stone riprap is shown on the plans, use common stone riprap (unless otherwise shown in the plans) in accordance with Section 432.2.3.3, placed dry in accordance with Section 432.3.2.3. Do not grout. Crushed concrete may also be used.

Item 442: Metal for Structures

Use temperature zone 1 for Charpy V-Notch (CVN) testing.

Prestressed concrete panels will not be allowed on steel structures.

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Item 449: Anchor Bolts

Pipe joint compound, as used in this Item, is an electrically conducting protective thread lubricant compound to be used on the foundation anchor bolts for illuminations poles (Crouse-Hinds TL-2, 0z/Gedney Stl, or Thomas & Betts Kopr-Shield).

Item 462: Concrete Box Culverts and Drains

Item 464: Reinforced Concrete Pipe

Concrete collars are subsidiary to the various bid items except for those specified on the plans for stage construction, which are paid for under the Item, "Concrete Substructures" as "Cl C Conc (Collar)."

Rubber gaskets are required for concrete pipe joints except for connections of safety end treatments, driveway culverts, and joints between the existing pipes and extensions.

If performing the work under the Item, "Jacking, Boring, or Tunneling Pipe or Box," use reinforced concrete pipe (except circular bell-and-spigot, arch, or horizontal elliptical pipe).

Open, install, and backfill each section, or a portion of a section, in the same day at locations requiring pipe culverts under existing roadways.

Place the pipe drains across existing roadways half at a time to allow passage of traffic. No trenches may remain open overnight.

Known locations of existing stub-outs are shown on the plans, but these stub-outs may be in a different position or condition. Delays, inconveniences, or additional work required will not be a basis for additional compensation.

Provide leave-outs or holes in the proposed storm drain structures and pipes for drainage during interim construction. This work is subsidiary to the various bid items.

The flowline elevations of side road structures are based on the proposed ditches. Field-verify these elevations and adjust them as necessary to meet the field conditions. Before placing these structures, prepare and submit for approval, the data (revised elevation, alignment, length, etc.) for the adjusted structures.

Items 496: Removing Structures

Do not permit debris resulting from the structure removal or construction activities to enter a natural or manmade waterway such as drainage channels, rivers, streams, bays, etc. Remove debris which falls into such waterways. This work is subsidiary to the Item, "Removing Structures."

Item 502: Barricades, Signs, and Traffic Handling

Use a traffic control plan for handling traffic through the various phases of construction. Follow the phasing sequence unless otherwise agreed upon by the Area Engineer and the Project Manager. Ensure this plan conforms to the latest "Texas Manual on Uniform Traffic Control

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Devices” and the latest Barricade and Construction (BC) Standard Sheets. The latest versions of Work Zone Standard Sheets WZ (BTS-1) and WZ (BTS-2) are the traffic control plan for the signal installations.

Submit changes to the traffic control plan to the Area Engineer. Provide a layout showing the construction phasing, signs, striping, and signalizations for changes to the original traffic control plan.

Furnish and maintain the barricades and warning signs, including the necessary temporary and portable traffic control devices, during the various phases of construction. Place and construct these barricades and warning signs in accordance with the latest “Texas Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices” for typical construction layouts.

Cover work zone signs when work related to the signs is not in progress, or when any hazard related to the signs no longer exists.

Keep the delineation devices, signs, and pavement markings clean. This work is subsidiary to the Item, “Barricades, Signs, and Traffic Handling.”

Do not mount signs on drums or barricades, except those listed in the latest Barricades and Construction standard sheets.

Use traffic cones for daytime work only. Replace the cones with plastic drums during nighttime hours.

Place positive barriers to protect drop-off conditions greater than 2 ft. within the clear zone that remain overnight.

A minimum of 7 days in advance of any total closure, place a Portable Changeable Message (PCM) sign at the location of each total closure which informs the traveling public of the details of the closure. Alternately, if the Traffic Control Plan provides a positive barrier at the location, a non-trailer mounted static message board sign behind the positive barrier may be used in place of a PCM.

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.

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Do not reduce the existing number of lanes open to traffic except as shown on the following time schedule:

One Lane Closure

Day	Daytime Closure Hours	Nighttime Closure Hours	Restricted Hours Subject to Lane Assessment Fee
Monday	9:00AM – 3:00PM	N/A	3:00PM - 9:00AM
Tuesday	9:00AM – 3:00PM	N/A	3:00PM - 9:00AM
Wednesday	9:00AM – 3:00PM	N/A	3:00PM - 9:00AM
Thursday	9:00AM – 3:00PM	N/A	3:00PM - 9:00AM
Friday	9:00AM – 3:00PM	N/A	3:00PM - 9:00AM
Saturday	N/A	N/A	N/A
Sunday	N/A	N/A	N/A

The above times are approved for the traffic control conditions listed. The Area Engineer may approve other closure times if traffic counts warrant. The Area Engineer may reduce the above times for special events.

Law enforcement assistance will be required for this project and is expected to be required for major traffic control changes and lane closures. Coordinate with local law enforcement and arrange for law enforcement as directed or agreed by the Engineer. Before payment will be made, complete the “Daily Report on Law Enforcement Force Account Work” (Form 318), provided by the Department and submit daily invoices that agree with this form for any day during the month in which approved services were provided.

Provide full-time, off-duty, uniformed, certified peace officers, as part of traffic control operations. The peace officers must be able to show proof of certification by the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Officers Standards. The cost of the officers is paid for on a force account basis.

Item 506: Temporary Erosion, Sedimentation and Environmental Controls

The Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWP3) consists of temporary erosion control measures needed and provided for under this Item. The disturbed area is less than one acre and use of erosion control measures is not anticipated. If physical conditions encountered at the job site require necessary controls, BMP installation, maintenance, and removal will be paid as extra work on a force account basis per Articles 4.4 and 9.7. Since the disturbed area is less than 5 acres, a “Notice of Intent” (NOI) is not required.

Use appropriate measures to prevent, minimize, and control the spill of hazardous materials in the construction staging area. Remove and dispose of materials in compliance with State and Federal laws.

Before starting construction, review with the Engineer the SWP3 used for temporary erosion control as outlined on the plans. Before construction, place the temporary erosion and sedimentation control features as shown on the SWP3.

Schedule the seeding or sodding work as soon as possible. The project schedule provides for a vegetation management plan.

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After completing earthwork operations, restore and reseed the disturbed areas in accordance with the Department's specifications for permanent or temporary erosion control.

Implement temporary and permanent erosion control measures to comply with the National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) general permit under the Clean Water Act.

Before starting grading operations and during the project duration, place the temporary or permanent erosion control measures to prevent sediment from leaving the right of way and protect environmental resources.

Immediately address chemical and hydrocarbon spills caused by the Contractor. Keep a spill kit onsite.

Item 529: Concrete Curb, Gutter, and Combined Curb and Gutter

Item 530: Intersections, Driveways, and Turnouts

Item 531: Sidewalks

An air-entraining admixture is not required.

For concrete curbs, use Grade 7 aggregate conforming to Section 421.2.6 of the Item, "Hydraulic Cement Concrete."

For driveways and turnouts, coarse aggregate Grade No. 3 through No. 8 conforming to the gradation requirements specified in the Item, "Hydraulic Cement Concrete" will be permitted.

For reinforcing steel in sidewalks and pedestrian ramps, use No. 4 bars at a maximum 18 in. spacing center-to-center in both directions.

Item 610: Roadway Illumination Assemblies

The cost of providing the electrical conductor in the pole foundation or in the pole base to make connections is subsidiary to the roadway illumination assembly. The quantity for payment is the surface distance between locations.

Fabricate steel roadway illumination poles in accordance with the latest Department RIP (Roadway Illumination Poles) Standards. Poles manufactured according to the latest RIP Standards require no shop drawings. Alternate designs to the Department's RIP Standards or the use of aluminum to fabricate poles will require the submission of shop drawings electronically.

For poles to be installed in regions where the maximum basic wind speed exceeds 110 mph or to be mounted more than 25 ft. above the surrounding terrain, provide shop drawings (see <https://www.txdot.gov/business/resources/highway/bridge/shop-drawing-submittal-cycle.html>) and calculations that are sealed, signed, and dated by a professional engineer registered or licensed in Texas.

Supply anchor bolt assemblies as shown on the RIP standard sheets, unless a larger capacity bolt assembly is required for the 3-second gust wind speed and mounting elevation at the pole installation location.

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Item 613: High Mast Illumination Poles

Place the metal beam guard fence before placing the high mast foundation.

Before erecting the high mast poles, notify the Engineer a minimum of 3 working days in advance for scheduling the inspection of each assembled high mast pole and high mast assembly.

Place high mast illumination poles in locations so that the light mounting and support assembly can be lowered and maintained from ground level without interfering with bridges or retaining walls. Notify the Engineer of any such conflicts.

Provide anchor bolts for high mast illumination poles in accordance with the Item, "Anchor Bolts."

Item 614: High Mast Illumination Assemblies

Erect and place in operation high mast illumination poles before removing existing illumination facilities.

The high mast power cable must meet the latest edition of Department Standard sheets, "High Mast Illumination Details" (HMID) and Department Material Specification (DMS) 11021, "High Mast Assembly Kits."

Furnish stainless steel pulley material for the Wire Rope Pulley as shown on the HMID standard.

Item 616: Performance Testing of Lighting Systems

The illumination plans provide for a complete illumination system installed, connected, tested, and ready for operation.

After satisfactory completion of tests, place the new lighting fixtures in operation. Final acceptance will be made after the fixtures operate satisfactorily for a minimum period of 14 days. The 14-day test period is included in the allowed working days.

Assume responsibility for the new lighting fixtures during the test period. Make adjustments or repairs as required and repair defects or damage at no expense to the Department.

Item 618: Conduit

Item 620: Electrical Conductors

Item 628: Electrical Services

If the specifications for electrical items require UL-listed products, this means UL-listed or CSA-listed.

Item 618: Conduit

When backfilling bore pits, ensure that the conduit is not damaged during installation or due to settling backfill material. Compact select backfill in 3 equal lifts to the bottom of the conduit; or if using sand, place it 2 in. above the conduit. Ensure backfill density is equal to that of the existing soil. Prevent material from entering the conduit.

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Construct bore pits a minimum of 5 ft. from the edge of the base or pavement. Close the bore pit holes overnight.

Unless otherwise shown on the plans, install underground conduit a minimum of 24 in. deep. Install the conduit in accordance with the latest National Electrical Code (NEC) and applicable Department standard sheets. Place conduit under driveways or roadways a minimum of 24 in. below the pavement surface.

If using casing to place bored conduit, the casing is subsidiary to the conduit.

If placing the conduit under existing pavement to reach the service poles, bore the conduit in place and extend it a minimum distance of 5 ft. beyond the edge of shoulder or the back of curb.

Where PVC, duct cable, and HDPE conduit 1 in. and larger is allowed and installed per Department standards, provide a PVC elbow in place of the galvanized rigid metal elbow required by the Electrical Details standards. Ensure the PVC elbow is of the same schedule rating as the conduit to which it is connected. Use only a flat, high tensile strength polyester fiber pull tape to pull conductors through the PVC conduit system.

Remove conductor and conduit to be abandoned to 1 ft. below the ground level. This work is subsidiary to the various bid items.

Do not use cast iron junction boxes in concrete traffic barriers and single slope traffic barriers. Use polymer concrete junction boxes as shown on standard sheet ED(4)-14. Mount the junction boxes flush (+ 0 in., - 1/2 in.) with the concrete surface of the concrete barrier.

Use materials from pre-qualified producers as shown on the Department's Construction Division (CST) material producers list. Check the latest links on the Department's website for the list. The category is "Roadway Illumination and Electrical Supplies." The polymer concrete barrier box is subsidiary to Item 618, "Conduit."

Locate the underground utilities within the project limits. Provide the equipment necessary for locating these utilities, locate, and mark them before starting any excavation work in the area. This work is subsidiary to the various bid items. If the Contractor damages or cause damage to any existing underground utilities, repair such damage at no cost to the Department.

Ensure the interconnection of new equipment to the existing system does not interfere with the operation of the remaining system components. Ensure the system remains completely operational between the hours of 6:00 a.m. Monday and 12:00 a.m. (midnight) Saturday.

Do not interrupt system operation without coordinating with the Department's operations personnel at Houston Transtar at (713) 881-3285.

Perform work to be done on cables during weekends only.

Provide Liquid-Tight Flexible Metal (LTFM) conduit if the plans refer to flexible metal conduit. Do not use flexible metal conduit.

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Unless otherwise shown on the plans, place conduit runs behind curbs at locations where curbs exist.

Use schedule 80 PVC conduit to house conductor runs under paved riprap, roadway, or driveways, unless otherwise shown on the plans.

Use Rigid Metal Conduit (RMC) for exposed conduit.

Before backfilling conduit trenches, place a detectable underground metalized mylar marking tape above the conduit and concrete encasement. Imprint the marking tape with, "TxDOT CONDUIT AND FIBER OPTIC CABLE SYSTEM. CALL (713) 802-5909 BEFORE PROCEEDING" every 18 in. Supplying and installing the marking tapes is subsidiary to the various bid items.

Conduit elbows and rigid metal extensions required when installing PVC conduit systems are subsidiary to the various bid items.

Install a continuous bare or green insulated copper wire No. 8 AWG or larger in every conduit throughout the electrical system in accordance with the Electrical Detail Standard Sheets, and the latest edition of the NEC.

Provide a single 1/C #14 insulated wire in conduit runs which have been identified in the plans to carry fiber optic cable. Provide UL-listed solid copper wire with orange color low density polyethylene insulation, suitable for conduit installation, rated for a temperature range of -20 C to +60 C and a voltage rating of 600V. This wire will serve as a tracer, or locate, wire for locating underground conduit containing fiber optic cabling and will be paid for under Item 620, "Electrical Conductors."

Item 620: Electrical Conductors

Test each wire of each cable or conductor after installation. Incomplete circuits or damage to the wire or the cable are cause for immediate rejection of the entire cable being tested. Remove and replace the entire cable at no expense to the Department. Also test the replacement cable after installation.

When pulling cables or conductors through the conduit, do not exceed the manufacturer's recommended pulling tensions. Lubricate the cables or conductors with a lubricant recommended by the cable manufacturer.

For both transformer and shoe-base type illumination poles, provide double-pole breakaway fuse holders as shown on the Department's Construction Division (CST) material producers list. Check the latest link on the Department's website for this list. The category is "Roadway Illumination and Electrical Supplies." The fuse holder is shown on the list under Items 610 and 620. Provide 10 Amp time delay fuses.

Ensure that circuits test clear of faults, grounds, and open circuits.

Split bolt connectors are allowed only for splices on the grounding conductors.

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For Roadside Flashing Beacon Assemblies (Item 685) and Pedestal Pole Assemblies (Item 687) within the project, provide single-pole breakaway disconnects as shown on the Construction Division (CST) material producers list. Check the latest link on the Department's website for this list. The category is "Roadway Illumination and Electrical Supplies." The fuse holder is shown on the list under Item 685. For underground (hot) conductors, install a breakaway connector with a dummy fuse (slug). Provide dummy fuse (slug). For grounded (neutral) conductors, install a breakaway connector with a white colored marking and a permanently installed dummy fuse (slug).

For electrical licensing and electrical certification requirements for this project, see Item 7 of the Standard Specifications and any applicable special provisions to Item 7.

Item 624: Ground Boxes

The ground box locations are approximate. Alternate ground box locations may be used as directed, to avoid placing in sidewalks or driveways.

Ground metal ground box covers. Bond the ground box cover and ground conductors to a ground rod located in the ground box and to the system ground.

Ground the existing metal ground box covers as shown on the latest standard sheet ED (4)-14.

During construction and until project completion, provide personnel and equipment necessary to remove ground box lids for inspection. Provide this assistance within 24 hours of notification.

Construct concrete aprons in accordance with the latest standard sheet ED (4)-14. Make the depth of the concrete apron the same as the depth of the ground box, except for Type 1 and Type 2 ground boxes. For Type 1 or Type 2 ground boxes, construct the concrete apron in accordance with details shown on the "Ground Box Details Installations" standard.

Item 628: Electrical Services

Verify and coordinate the electrical service location with the engineering section of the appropriate utility district or company.

Identify the electrical service pole with an address number assigned by the Utility Service Provider. Provide 2-in. numerals visible from the highway. Provide numbers cut out aluminum figures nailed to wood poles or painted figures on steel poles or service cabinets.

Item 636: Signs

For design details not shown on the plans, provide signs and arrows conforming to the latest "Standard Highway Sign Designs for Texas" manual.

Item 644: Small Roadside Sign Assemblies

Sign locations shown on the plans are approximate. Before placing them, obtain approval of and then stake the exact locations for these signs.

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Use the Texas Universal Triangular Slip Base with the concrete foundation for small ground mounted signs, unless otherwise shown in the plans.

Remove existing street name signs from existing stop signs and re-install them above the new stop signs. Removing and re-installing existing street name signs is subsidiary to the Item, "Small Roadside Sign Assemblies."

When design details are not shown on the plans, provide signs and arrows conforming to the latest "Standard Highway Sign Designs for Texas" manual.

Use Type E Super High Specific Intensity (Fluorescent Prismatic) yellow green reflective sheeting background to fabricate school signs (S1-1, S3-1, S4-3, S5-1, W16-2, SW16-9p, and SW16-7pL(R)).

Assume ownership of the removed existing signposts. Store removed sign panels at the Contractor's field office, to be picked up by the maintenance office. This work is subsidiary to this item.

Locations of the relocated signs are approximate. Before placing them, obtain approval of and then stake the exact locations for these signs.

Replace existing signs that become damaged during relocation at no expense to the Department.

Item 656: Foundations for Traffic Control Devices

Excavating and disposing of surplus materials for lighting standard foundations are subsidiary to the roadway illumination assembly foundation. Dispose of surplus excavated material. Use rigid metal conduit (RMC) for stub-outs in foundation and concrete structures. These stub-outs are subsidiary to the drilled shaft foundations.

Using ready mix concrete for sign foundations is optional.

Item 672: Raised Pavement Markers

If other operations are complete on the project and if the curing time period is not yet elapsed, the contract time will be suspended until the curing is done.

Before placing the raised pavement markers on concrete pavement, blast clean the surface using an abrasive-blasting medium. This work is subsidiary to the Item, "Raised Pavement Markers."

Provide epoxy adhesive that is machine-mixed or nozzle-mixed and dispensed. Equip the machine or nozzle with a mechanism to ensure positive mix measurement control.

Item 677: Eliminating Existing Pavement Markings and Markers

Remove existing pavement markings on concrete or asphalt surfaces by flail milling or as directed. Do not use flail milling on grooved concrete or porous asphalt.

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Item 678: Pavement Surface Preparation for Markings

Do not blast clean asphalt concrete pavement. Clean asphalt concrete pavement as required under the applicable specifications or as directed.

On new concrete pavement or on existing concrete pavement when placing a new stripe on a new location, remove the curing compounds and contamination from the pavement surface by flail milling or as directed. In addition, air-blast the surface with compressed air just before placing the new stripe.

On existing concrete pavement when placing a new stripe on an existing location, after removing the existing stripe under the Item, “Eliminating Existing Pavement Markings and Markers,” air-blast the surface with compressed air just before placing the new stripe.

Do not clean concrete pavement by grinding.

Item 680: Highway Traffic Signals

Clearly mark or highlight on the shop drawings the items being furnished for this project.

Furnish labor, tools, equipment, and materials as shown on the plans and specifications for a complete and operating signal installation.

Furnish the type of controller cabinet specified on the plans. Refer to the table shown in the Departmental Material Specifications (DMS-11170, Fully Actuated, Solid-State Traffic Signal Controller Assembly), Section 11170.6.A, Type 2 cabinet, page 4 of 39, regarding the size of the cabinet, back panel configuration, and the size of the load bay. Use the following website to view this specification:

<https://www.txdot.gov/business/resources/materials/material-specifications.html>

Complete traffic signal construction work, including correcting discrepancies shown on the Department inspector’s “Traffic Signal Installation Inspection Report” before the beginning of the test period.

Provide a full-time qualified traffic signal technician responsible for installing, maintaining, or replacing traffic signal devices.

Staking in the field is subject to approval.

Adjust project construction, if needed, due to conflicts with underground utilities.

Do not aim the luminaire arms mounted on traffic signal poles into the intersection. Aim each arm perpendicular to the centerline of the roadway it is intended to cover, to develop the proper illumination pattern for the intersection.

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Allow the electrical work to be inspected by the City. Complying with the provisions and requirements of the City electrical ordinance is not required. Such inspection does not make the City a party to this contract.

Provide continuous conductors without splices from signal controller to signal heads. Route the conductors for luminaires to the service enclosure. Splices or attachments to the terminal block in the access compartment of the mast arm pole are not permitted except for the luminaire cable.

Abrasions to the conductor insulation caused while pulling cable for the traffic signal system are cause for immediate rejection. Remove and replace the entire damaged cable at no expense to the Department.

When pulling cables or conductors through conduit, do not exceed the manufacturer's recommended pulling tensions. Lubricate the cables or conductors with a lubricant as recommended by the cable manufacturer.

Bond the controller housing, signal poles, conduit, and spans to a minimum No. 6 AWG stranded copper conductor. An equipment grounding conductor is required in every conduit to form a continuous grounding system. Effectively connect the grounding system to ground rods or concrete encased grounding electrodes as indicated in the plans.

Wrap signal heads with dark plastic or suitable material to conceal the signal faces from the time of installation until placing into operation. Do not use burlap.

Furnish signal heads from the same manufacturer.

Use Type B (high intensity prismatic) or Type D (diamond grade) retroreflective sheeting for signs mounted under or adjacent to the signal heads.

Furnish and attach compression type connectors. Install the connectors with a compression mechanical release hand-crimping tool to each individual conductor before making connections to the terminal strips.

The Contractor may use ready mix concrete.

Apply membrane curing on concrete work in accordance with Section 420.4.10.3, "Membrane Curing."

The standard 4.5-in. galvanized pipe type poles, except the breakaway type, are subject only to the Engineer's inspection for their acceptance. Mill test reports or documentation will not be required.

Item 682: Vehicle and Pedestrian Signal Heads

Install two set screws on vehicle signal head mounting hardware fittings.

Furnish black housings for vehicle and pedestrian signals. Ensure the door and visor match the mast arm and pedestrian pole color. Furnish black vehicle signal head back plates with 2 in. retroreflective yellow borders.

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Item 685: Roadside Flashing Beacon Assemblies

When shown on the plans, provide solar powered flasher controller assemblies in accordance with Departmental Material Specifications DMS-11150, "Solar Power Flasher Controller Assembly."

When solar powered school zone signs are shown on the plans, provide solar powered flasher controller assemblies capable of 24-hour operations.

Item 686: Traffic Signal Pole Assemblies

For a steel mast arm or steel strain pole assembly, hold the anchor bolts and conduits rigidly in place with a welded steel template.

Leave a minimum of one full diameter thread exposed on each anchor bolt securing a signal pole.

Set the anchor bolts for the steel strain poles so that two are in compression and two are in tension.

Use a Texas Cone Penetrometer reading of 10. The drilled shaft length is from the surface elevation to the bottom of the drilled shaft. Provide an additional length of the pole foundation from the surface level to the roadway level, if required for unusual locations. Provide the drilled shaft depth regardless of the length of the pole foundation. The pole foundation depth from the surface level to the roadway level is a maximum of 4 ft., or as approved.

Locate traffic signal pole assembly foundations a minimum of 4 ft. from the roadway curb or pavement edge, or as shown on the plans.

Place steel strain poles at a 10 ft. desirable minimum distance from the roadway curb or pavement edge.

After the traffic signal pole assembly is plumb and the nuts are tight, tack-weld each anchor bolt nut in two places to its washer. Tack-weld each washer to the base plate in two places. Do not weld components to the bolt. Perform tack-welding in accordance with the Item, "Steel Structures." After tack-welding, repair galvanizing damage on bolts, nuts, and washers in accordance with Section 445.3.5, "Repairs."

The Department may test the anchor bolts using ultrasonic methods for traffic signal poles after they are installed. Replace faulty anchor bolts as directed. Do not weld the anchor bolts.

Item 688: Pedestrian and Vehicle Detectors

Provide pedestrian push buttons a minimum of 2 in. diameter in the smallest dimension.

Install a rubber grommet or bushing between the push button assembly and the signal pole to protect the conductors.

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Provide a black tube loop detector wire as specified in the “International Municipal Signal Association, Inc.” (IMSA) Specifications.

At intersections where a minimum of 10 ft. spacing between adjacent accessible pedestrian signal units is not possible, provide each accessible pedestrian pushbutton with the following features: a pushbutton locator tone, a tactile arrow, a speech walk message for the walking person indication and a speech pushbutton information message.

Provide pedestrian push buttons a minimum of 2 in. diameter in the smallest dimension.

Install a rubber grommet or bushing between the push button assembly and the signal pole to protect the conductors.

Item 690: Maintenance of Traffic Signals and Illumination

Furnish the cable to operate the Video Imaging Vehicle Detection System (VIVDS) in accordance with the manufacturer’s recommendations or purchase it from the same manufacturer as the VIVDS equipment.

Supply VIVDS equipment that can process up to a maximum of 6 camera inputs per intersection. Additional equipment to accommodate up to 6 camera inputs is subsidiary to the various bid items. No extra compensation will be allowed for additional equipment needed to make the VIVDS equipment fully operational under this Item.

Supply a laptop computer and a video monitor as described in this Special Specification Item.

Detector zone videotaping for this project will not be required.

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Video Imaging Vehicle Detection System Requirements

Specification Items	Description	Not Required	Required	State Supplied
1	Description		X	
	Variable Focal Cameras		X	
	VIVDS Card Rack Processor System		X	
	Field Setup Computer (1 Required) (Laptop)	X		
	Field Setup Video Monitor (1 Ea. Controller)		X	
	Connectors and Camera Mounting Hardware		X	
3	Functional Capabilities			
	System Software		X	
4	Vehicle Detection			
	Detection Zone Video Taping	X		
5	VIVDS Processor Unit			
	Provide both TS1 and TS2 Environmental Requirements		X	
	12 Volt/5 Amp Power Supply		X	
6	Camera Assembly			
	Camera Interface Panel		X	
7	Field Communications Link			
	Lightning and Transient Surge Suppression Devices		X	
9	Temporary Use and Retesting		X	
10	Operation from Central Control	X		
	Telephone Interconnect	X		
	ISDN Interconnect	X		
11	Installation and Training		X	

Other items not specifically listed in this table are required. When shown in the plans, remove and deliver temporary VIVDS equipment to the Department's Signal Shop, 6810 Old Katy Rd., Houston, Texas, or as directed.

Item 6004: Communication Cable

Seal each end of the communications cable that is exposed to elements during storage or after installing with a waterproof sealant, or as per manufacturer recommendations.

Ensure each communication cable run is continuous without splices from controller to controller.

Assume responsibility for the signal carrying capability and performance of the cable. Install each wire with a lightning protection device unless otherwise noted. Ground the cable in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendation.

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Item 7017: Sanitary Sewer

Provide a record of the locations of stacks, stubs, etc. to the owner of the sanitary sewer facility.

Maintain a 12-in. minimum vertical clearance at crossings between the sanitary sewers and culverts, unless otherwise noted.

Item 7049: Water Mains

Construct water mains with Class A concrete in accordance with the Item, "Hydraulic Cement Concrete." This work is subsidiary to this bid Item.

Assume ownership of removed fire hydrants, valves, and boxes.

Cutting and plugging tees, if called for on the plans, are subsidiary to the Item, "Remove Existing Fire Hydrant."

Install only new fire hydrants, valves, and boxes conforming to the requirements of this specification. Install fire hydrants, valves, and boxes in accordance with the requirements of Section 3.13 of this specification.

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GOVERNING SPECIFICATIONS AND SPECIAL PROVISIONS

ALL SPECIFICATIONS AND SPECIAL PROVISIONS APPLICABLE TO THIS PROJECT ARE IDENTIFIED AS FOLLOWS:

STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS: ADOPTED BY THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF
----- TRANSPORTATION NOVEMBER 1, 2014.
STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS ARE INCORPORATED
INTO THE CONTRACT BY REFERENCE.

ITEMS 1 TO 9 INCL., GENERAL REQUIREMENTS AND COVENANTS
ITEM 104 REMOVING CONCRETE
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GENERAL: THE ABOVE-LISTED SPECIFICATION ITEMS ARE THOSE UNDER WHICH
 ----- PAYMENT IS TO BE MADE. THESE, TOGETHER WITH SUCH OTHER
 PERTINENT ITEMS, IF ANY, AS MAY BE REFERRED TO IN THE ABOVE-
 LISTED SPECIFICATION ITEMS, AND INCLUDING THE SPECIAL
 PROVISIONS LISTED ABOVE, CONSTITUTE THE COMPLETE SPECIFI-
 CATIONS FOR THIS PROJECT.

Control 1911-01-022, ETC.
Project STP 2B24(356)VRU, ETC.
Highway FM 2004
County GALVESTON

**DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE
REQUIREMENTS**

The following goal for disadvantaged business enterprises is established:

**DBE
6.0%**

Certification of DBE Goal Attainment

By signing the proposal, the Bidder certifies that the above DBE goal will be met by committing to DBE participation that meets or exceeds the goal or providing adequate documentation of good faith efforts (GFE) to achieve the goal.

The DBE participation or GFE must be submitted within five (5) calendar days after bid opening. If the fifth day falls on a weekend or a day when TxDOT offices are closed, the deadline moves to the next business day.

The Department may impose remedies as defined by state or local law if a bidder fails to submit required documentation, including forfeiting the bid proposal guaranty and exclusion from rebidding on the contract if it is re-advertised.

CHILD SUPPORT STATEMENT

Under Section 231.006, Family Code, the vendor or applicant certifies that the individual or business entity named in this contract, bid, or application is not ineligible to receive the specified grant, loan, or payment and acknowledges that this contract may be terminated and payment may be withheld if this certification is inaccurate.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST CERTIFICATION

Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 2261.252(b), the Department is prohibited from entering into contracts in which Department officers and employees have a financial interest.

By signing the Contract, the Contractor certifies that it is not prohibited from entering into a Contract with the Department as a result of a financial interest as defined under Texas Government Code Section 2261.252(b), and that it will exercise reasonable care and diligence to prevent any actions or conditions that could result in a conflict of interest with the Department.

The Contractor also certifies that none of the following individuals, nor any of their family members within the second degree of affinity or consanguinity, owns 1% or more interest or has a financial interest as defined under Texas Government Code Section 2261.252(b) in the Contractor:

- Any member of the Texas Transportation Commission; and
- The Department's Executive Director, General Counsel, Chief of Procurement and Field Support Operations, Director of Procurement, and Director of Contract Services.

Violation of this certification may result in action by the Department.

E-VERIFY CERTIFICATION

Pursuant to Texas Transportation Code §223.051, all TxDOT contracts for construction, maintenance, or improvement of a highway must include a provision requiring Contractors and subcontractors to use the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's E-Verify system to determine employment eligibility. By signing the contract, the Contractor certifies that prior to the award of the Contract:

- the Contractor has registered with and will, to the extent permitted by law, utilize the United States Department of Homeland Security's E-Verify system during the term of the Contract to determine the eligibility of all persons hired to perform duties within Texas during the term of the agreement; and
- the Contractor will require that all subcontractors also register with and, to the extent permitted by law, utilize the United States Department of Homeland Security's E-Verify system during the term of the subcontract to determine the eligibility of all persons hired to perform duties within Texas during the term of the agreement.

Violation of this requirement constitutes a material breach of the Contract, subjects a subcontractor to removal from the Contract, and subjects the Contractor or subcontractors to possible sanctions in accordance with Title 43, Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 10, Subchapter F, "Sanctions and Suspension for Ethical Violations by Entities Doing Business with the Department."

Certification Regarding Disclosure of Public Information

Pursuant to Subchapter J, Chapter 552, Texas Government Code, contractors executing a contract with a governmental body that results in the expenditure of at least \$1 million in public funds must:

- 1) preserve all contracting information* as provided by the records retention requirements applicable to Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) for the duration of the contract,
- 2) on request of TxDOT, promptly provide any contracting information related to the contract that is in the custody or possession of the entity, and
- 3) on completion of the contract, either:
 - A. provide, at no cost to TxDOT, all contracting information related to the contract that is in the custody or possession of the entity, or
 - B. preserve the contracting information related to the contract as provided by the records retention requirements applicable to TxDOT

The requirements of Subchapter J, Chapter 552, Government Code, may apply to this contract, and the contractor or vendor agrees that the contract can be terminated if the contractor or vendor knowingly or intentionally fails to comply with a requirement of that subchapter.

By entering into Contract, the Contractor agrees to:

- provide, or make available, to TxDOT and any authorized governmental investigating or auditing agency all records, including electronic and payment records related to the contract, for the same period provided by the records retention schedule applicable to TxDOT, and
- ensure that all subcontracts include a clause requiring the same.

* As defined in Government Code §552.003, “Contracting information” means the following information maintained by a governmental body or sent between a governmental body and a vendor, contractor, potential vendor, or potential contractor:

- 1) information in a voucher or contract relating to the receipt or expenditure of public funds by a governmental body;
- 2) solicitation or bid documents relating to a contract with a governmental body;
- 3) communications sent between a governmental body and a vendor, contractor, potential vendor, or potential contractor during the solicitation, evaluation, or negotiation of a contract;
- 4) documents, including bid tabulations, showing the criteria by which a governmental body evaluates each vendor, contractor, potential vendor, or potential contractor responding to a solicitation and, if applicable, an explanation of why the vendor or contractor was selected; and
- 5) communications and other information sent between a governmental body and a vendor or contractor related to the performance of a final contract with the governmental body or work performed on behalf of the governmental body.

CERTIFICATION TO NOT BOYCOTT ISRAEL

Pursuant to Texas Government Code §2271.002, the Department must include a provision requiring a written verification affirming that the Contractor does not boycott Israel, as defined in Government Code §808.001, and will not boycott Israel during the term of the contract. This provision applies to a contract that:

- 1) is with a Contractor that is not a sole proprietorship,
- 2) is with a Contractor with 10 or more full-time employees, and
- 3) has a value of \$100,000 or more.

By signing the contract, the Contractor certifies that it does not boycott Israel and will not boycott Israel during the term of this contract. "Boycott" means refusing to deal with, terminating business activities with, or otherwise taking any action that is intended to penalize, inflict economic harm on, or limit commercial relations specifically with Israel, or with a person or entity doing business in Israel or in an Israeli-controlled territory, but does not include an action made for ordinary business purposes.

Violation of this certification may result in action by the Department.

CERTIFICATION TO NOT BOYCOTT ENERGY COMPANIES

Pursuant to Texas Government Code §2274.002, the Department must include a provision requiring a written verification affirming that the Contractor does not boycott energy companies, as defined in Government Code §809.001, and will not boycott energy companies during the term of the contract. This provision applies to a contract that:

- 1) is with a Contractor that is not a sole proprietorship,
- 2) is with a Contractor with 10 or more full-time employees, and
- 3) has a value of \$100,000 or more.

By signing the contract, the Contractor certifies that it does not boycott energy companies and will not boycott energy companies during the term of this contract. "Boycott" means taking any action that is intended to penalize, inflict economic harm on, or limit commercial relations with a company because the company: (1) engages in the exploration, production, utilization, transportation, sale, or manufacturing of fossil fuel-based energy and does not commit or pledge to meet environmental standards beyond applicable federal and state law; or (2) does business with a company described by (1).

Violation of this certification may result in action by the Department.

CERTIFICATION TO NOT DISCRIMINATE AGAINST FIREARM ENTITIES OR FIREARM TRADE ASSOCIATIONS

Pursuant to Texas Government Code §2274.002, the Department must include a provision requiring a written verification affirming that the Contractor:

- 1) does not have a practice, policy, guidance, or directive that discriminates against a firearm entity or firearm trade association, as defined in Government Code §2274.001, and
- 2) will not discriminate against a firearm entity or firearm trade association during the term of the contract.

This provision applies to a contract that:

- 1) is with a Contractor that is not a sole proprietorship,
- 2) is with a Contractor with 10 or more full-time employees, and
- 3) has a value of \$100,000 or more.

By signing the contract, the Contractor certifies that it does not discriminate against a firearm entity or firearm trade association as described and will not do so during the term of this contract. "Discriminate against a firearm entity or firearm trade association" means, with respect to the entity or association, to: (1) refuse to engage in the trade of any goods or services with the entity or association based solely on its status as a firearm entity or firearm trade association; (2) refrain from continuing an existing business relationship with the entity or association based solely on its status as a firearm entity or firearm trade association; or (3) terminate an existing business relationship with the entity or association based solely on its status as a firearm entity or firearm trade association. "Discriminate against a firearm entity or firearm trade association" does not include: (1) the established policies of a merchant, retail seller, or platform that restrict or prohibit the listing or selling of ammunition, firearms, or firearm accessories; (2) a company's refusal to engage in the trade of any goods or services, decision to refrain from continuing an existing business relationship, or decision to terminate an existing business relationship to comply with federal, state, or local law, policy, or regulations or a directive by a regulatory agency, or for any traditional business reason that is specific to the customer or potential customer and not based solely on an entity's or association's status as a firearm entity or firearm trade association.

Violation of this certification may result in action by the Department.

PROHIBITION ON CERTAIN TELECOMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT OR SERVICES

The Federal Register Notice issued the Final Rule and states that the amendment to 2 CFR 200.216 is effective on August 13, 2020. The new 2 CFR 200.471 regulation provides clarity that the telecommunications and video surveillance costs associated with 2 CFR 200.216 are unallowable for services and equipment from these specific providers. OMB's Federal Register Notice includes the new 2 CFR 200.216 and 2 CFR 200.471 regulations.

<https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2020/08/13/2020-17468/guidance-for-grants-and-agreements>

Per the Federal Law referenced above, use of services, systems, or services or systems that contain components produced by any of the following manufacturers is strictly prohibited for use on this project. Therefore, for any telecommunications, CCTV, or video surveillance equipment, services or systems cannot be manufactured by, or have components manufactured by:

- Huawei Technologies Company,
- ZTE Corporation (any subsidiary and affiliate of such entities),
- Hytera Communications Corporation,
- Hangzhou Hikvision Digital Technology Company,
- Dahua Technology Company (any subsidiary and affiliate of such entities).

Violation of this prohibition will require replacement of the equipment at the contractor's expense.

**REQUIRED CONTRACT PROVISIONS
FEDERAL-AID CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS**

- I. General
- II. Nondiscrimination
- III. Non-segregated Facilities
- IV. Davis-Bacon and Related Act Provisions
- V. Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act Provisions
- VI. Subletting or Assigning the Contract
- VII. Safety: Accident Prevention
- VIII. False Statements Concerning Highway Projects
- IX. Implementation of Clean Air Act and Federal Water Pollution Control Act
- X. Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion
- XI. Certification Regarding Use of Contract Funds for Lobbying
- XII. Use of United States-Flag Vessels:

ATTACHMENTS

A. Employment and Materials Preference for Appalachian Development Highway System or Appalachian Local Access Road Contracts (included in Appalachian contracts only)

I. GENERAL

1. Form FHWA-1273 must be physically incorporated in each construction contract funded under title 23, United States Code, as required in 23 CFR 633.102(b) (excluding emergency contracts solely intended for debris removal). The contractor (or subcontractor) must insert this form in each subcontract and further require its inclusion in all lower tier subcontracts (excluding purchase orders, rental agreements and other agreements for supplies or services). 23 CFR 633.102(e).

The applicable requirements of Form FHWA-1273 are incorporated by reference for work done under any purchase order, rental agreement or agreement for other services. The prime contractor shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor, lower-tier subcontractor or service provider. 23 CFR 633.102(e).

Form FHWA-1273 must be included in all Federal-aid design-build contracts, in all subcontracts and in lower tier subcontracts (excluding subcontracts for design services, purchase orders, rental agreements and other agreements for supplies or services) in accordance with 23 CFR 633.102. The design-builder shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor, lower-tier subcontractor or service provider.

Contracting agencies may reference Form FHWA-1273 in solicitation-for-bids or request-for-proposals documents, however, the Form FHWA-1273 must be physically incorporated (not referenced) in all contracts, subcontracts and lower-tier subcontracts (excluding purchase orders, rental agreements and other agreements for supplies or services related to a construction contract). 23 CFR 633.102(b).

2. Subject to the applicability criteria noted in the following sections, these contract provisions shall apply to all work

performed on the contract by the contractor's own organization and with the assistance of workers under the contractor's immediate superintendence and to all work performed on the contract by piecework, station work, or by subcontract. 23 CFR 633.102(d).

3. A breach of any of the stipulations contained in these Required Contract Provisions may be sufficient grounds for withholding of progress payments, withholding of final payment, termination of the contract, suspension / debarment or any other action determined to be appropriate by the contracting agency and FHWA.

4. Selection of Labor: During the performance of this contract, the contractor shall not use convict labor for any purpose within the limits of a construction project on a Federal-aid highway unless it is labor performed by convicts who are on parole, supervised release, or probation. 23 U.S.C. 114(b). The term Federal-aid highway does not include roadways functionally classified as local roads or rural minor collectors. 23 U.S.C. 101(a).

II. NONDISCRIMINATION (23 CFR 230.107(a); 23 CFR Part 230, Subpart A, Appendix A; EO 11246)

The provisions of this section related to 23 CFR Part 230, Subpart A, Appendix A are applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts and to all related construction subcontracts of \$10,000 or more. The provisions of 23 CFR Part 230 are not applicable to material supply, engineering, or architectural service contracts.

In addition, the contractor and all subcontractors must comply with the following policies: Executive Order 11246, 41 CFR Part 60, 29 CFR Parts 1625-1627, 23 U.S.C. 140, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. 794), Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended (42 U.S.C. 2000d et seq.), and related regulations including 49 CFR Parts 21, 26, and 27; and 23 CFR Parts 200, 230, and 633.

The contractor and all subcontractors must comply with: the requirements of the Equal Opportunity Clause in 41 CFR 60-1.4(b) and, for all construction contracts exceeding \$10,000, the Standard Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Construction Contract Specifications in 41 CFR 60-4.3.

Note: The U.S. Department of Labor has exclusive authority to determine compliance with Executive Order 11246 and the policies of the Secretary of Labor including 41 CFR Part 60, and 29 CFR Parts 1625-1627. The contracting agency and the FHWA have the authority and the responsibility to ensure compliance with 23 U.S.C. 140, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. 794), and Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended (42 U.S.C. 2000d et seq.), and related regulations including 49 CFR Parts 21, 26, and 27; and 23 CFR Parts 200, 230, and 633.

The following provision is adopted from 23 CFR Part 230, Subpart A, Appendix A, with appropriate revisions to conform to the U.S. Department of Labor (US DOL) and FHWA requirements.

1. Equal Employment Opportunity: Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) requirements not to discriminate and to take affirmative action to assure equal opportunity as set forth under laws, executive orders, rules, regulations (see 28 CFR Part 35, 29 CFR Part 1630, 29 CFR Parts 1625-1627, 41 CFR Part 60 and 49 CFR Part 27) and orders of the Secretary of Labor as modified by the provisions prescribed herein, and imposed pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 140, shall constitute the EEO and specific affirmative action standards for the contractor's project activities under this contract. The provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12101 et seq.) set forth under 28 CFR Part 35 and 29 CFR Part 1630 are incorporated by reference in this contract. In the execution of this contract, the contractor agrees to comply with the following minimum specific requirement activities of EEO:

a. The contractor will work with the contracting agency and the Federal Government to ensure that it has made every good faith effort to provide equal opportunity with respect to all of its terms and conditions of employment and in their review of activities under the contract. 23 CFR 230.409 (g)(4) & (5).

b. The contractor will accept as its operating policy the following statement:

"It is the policy of this Company to assure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, color, national origin, age or disability. Such action shall include: employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship, pre-apprenticeship, and/or on-the-job training."

2. EEO Officer: The contractor will designate and make known to the contracting officers an EEO Officer who will have the responsibility for and must be capable of effectively administering and promoting an active EEO program and who must be assigned adequate authority and responsibility to do so.

3. Dissemination of Policy: All members of the contractor's staff who are authorized to hire, supervise, promote, and discharge employees, or who recommend such action or are substantially involved in such action, will be made fully cognizant of and will implement the contractor's EEO policy and contractual responsibilities to provide EEO in each grade and classification of employment. To ensure that the above agreement will be met, the following actions will be taken as a minimum:

a. Periodic meetings of supervisory and personnel office employees will be conducted before the start of work and then not less often than once every six months, at which time the contractor's EEO policy and its implementation will be reviewed and explained. The meetings will be conducted by the EEO Officer or other knowledgeable company official.

b. All new supervisory or personnel office employees will be given a thorough indoctrination by the EEO Officer, covering all major aspects of the contractor's EEO obligations within thirty days following their reporting for duty with the contractor.

c. All personnel who are engaged in direct recruitment for the project will be instructed by the EEO Officer in the contractor's procedures for locating and hiring minorities and women.

d. Notices and posters setting forth the contractor's EEO policy will be placed in areas readily accessible to employees, applicants for employment and potential employees.

e. The contractor's EEO policy and the procedures to implement such policy will be brought to the attention of employees by means of meetings, employee handbooks, or other appropriate means.

4. Recruitment: When advertising for employees, the contractor will include in all advertisements for employees the notation: "An Equal Opportunity Employer." All such advertisements will be placed in publications having a large circulation among minorities and women in the area from which the project work force would normally be derived.

a. The contractor will, unless precluded by a valid bargaining agreement, conduct systematic and direct recruitment through public and private employee referral sources likely to yield qualified minorities and women. To meet this requirement, the contractor will identify sources of potential minority group employees and establish with such identified sources procedures whereby minority and women applicants may be referred to the contractor for employment consideration.

b. In the event the contractor has a valid bargaining agreement providing for exclusive hiring hall referrals, the contractor is expected to observe the provisions of that agreement to the extent that the system meets the contractor's compliance with EEO contract provisions. Where implementation of such an agreement has the effect of discriminating against minorities or women, or obligates the contractor to do the same, such implementation violates Federal nondiscrimination provisions.

c. The contractor will encourage its present employees to refer minorities and women as applicants for employment. Information and procedures with regard to referring such applicants will be discussed with employees.

5. Personnel Actions: Wages, working conditions, and employee benefits shall be established and administered, and personnel actions of every type, including hiring, upgrading, promotion, transfer, demotion, layoff, and termination, shall be taken without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, age or disability. The following procedures shall be followed:

a. The contractor will conduct periodic inspections of project sites to ensure that working conditions and employee facilities do not indicate discriminatory treatment of project site personnel.

b. The contractor will periodically evaluate the spread of wages paid within each classification to determine any evidence of discriminatory wage practices.

c. The contractor will periodically review selected personnel actions in depth to determine whether there is evidence of discrimination. Where evidence is found, the contractor will promptly take corrective action. If the review indicates that the discrimination may extend beyond the actions reviewed, such corrective action shall include all affected persons.

d. The contractor will promptly investigate all complaints of alleged discrimination made to the contractor in connection with its obligations under this contract, will attempt to resolve such complaints, and will take appropriate corrective action

within a reasonable time. If the investigation indicates that the discrimination may affect persons other than the complainant, such corrective action shall include such other persons. Upon completion of each investigation, the contractor will inform every complainant of all of their avenues of appeal.

6. Training and Promotion:

a. The contractor will assist in locating, qualifying, and increasing the skills of minorities and women who are applicants for employment or current employees. Such efforts should be aimed at developing full journey level status employees in the type of trade or job classification involved.

b. Consistent with the contractor's work force requirements and as permissible under Federal and State regulations, the contractor shall make full use of training programs (i.e., apprenticeship and on-the-job training programs for the geographical area of contract performance). In the event a special provision for training is provided under this contract, this subparagraph will be superseded as indicated in the special provision. The contracting agency may reserve training positions for persons who receive welfare assistance in accordance with 23 U.S.C. 140(a).

c. The contractor will advise employees and applicants for employment of available training programs and entrance requirements for each.

d. The contractor will periodically review the training and promotion potential of employees who are minorities and women and will encourage eligible employees to apply for such training and promotion.

7. Unions: If the contractor relies in whole or in part upon unions as a source of employees, the contractor will use good faith efforts to obtain the cooperation of such unions to increase opportunities for minorities and women. 23 CFR 230.409. Actions by the contractor, either directly or through a contractor's association acting as agent, will include the procedures set forth below:

a. The contractor will use good faith efforts to develop, in cooperation with the unions, joint training programs aimed toward qualifying more minorities and women for membership in the unions and increasing the skills of minorities and women so that they may qualify for higher paying employment.

b. The contractor will use good faith efforts to incorporate an EEO clause into each union agreement to the end that such union will be contractually bound to refer applicants without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, age, or disability.

c. The contractor is to obtain information as to the referral practices and policies of the labor union except that to the extent such information is within the exclusive possession of the labor union and such labor union refuses to furnish such information to the contractor, the contractor shall so certify to the contracting agency and shall set forth what efforts have been made to obtain such information.

d. In the event the union is unable to provide the contractor with a reasonable flow of referrals within the time limit set forth in the collective bargaining agreement, the contractor will, through independent recruitment efforts, fill the employment vacancies without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, age, or disability; making full efforts to obtain qualified and/or qualifiable minorities and women. The failure of a union to provide

sufficient referrals (even though it is obligated to provide exclusive referrals under the terms of a collective bargaining agreement) does not relieve the contractor from the requirements of this paragraph. In the event the union referral practice prevents the contractor from meeting the obligations pursuant to Executive Order 11246, as amended, and these special provisions, such contractor shall immediately notify the contracting agency.

8. Reasonable Accommodation for Applicants / Employees with Disabilities: The contractor must be familiar with the requirements for and comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act and all rules and regulations established thereunder. Employers must provide reasonable accommodation in all employment activities unless to do so would cause an undue hardship.

9. Selection of Subcontractors, Procurement of Materials and Leasing of Equipment: The contractor shall not discriminate on the grounds of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, age, or disability in the selection and retention of subcontractors, including procurement of materials and leases of equipment. The contractor shall take all necessary and reasonable steps to ensure nondiscrimination in the administration of this contract.

a. The contractor shall notify all potential subcontractors, suppliers, and lessors of their EEO obligations under this contract.

b. The contractor will use good faith efforts to ensure subcontractor compliance with their EEO obligations.

10. Assurances Required:

a. The requirements of 49 CFR Part 26 and the State DOT's FHWA-approved Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) program are incorporated by reference.

b. The contractor, subrecipient or subcontractor shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the performance of this contract. The contractor shall carry out applicable requirements of 49 CFR part 26 in the award and administration of DOT-assisted contracts. Failure by the contractor to carry out these requirements is a material breach of this contract, which may result in the termination of this contract or such other remedy as the recipient deems appropriate, which may include, but is not limited to:

- (1) Withholding monthly progress payments;
- (2) Assessing sanctions;
- (3) Liquidated damages; and/or
- (4) Disqualifying the contractor from future bidding as non-responsible.

c. The Title VI and nondiscrimination provisions of U.S. DOT Order 1050.2A at Appendixes A and E are incorporated by reference. 49 CFR Part 21.

11. Records and Reports: The contractor shall keep such records as necessary to document compliance with the EEO requirements. Such records shall be retained for a period of three years following the date of the final payment to the contractor for all contract work and shall be available at reasonable times and places for inspection by authorized representatives of the contracting agency and the FHWA.

a. The records kept by the contractor shall document the following:

(1) The number and work hours of minority and non-minority group members and women employed in each work classification on the project;

(2) The progress and efforts being made in cooperation with unions, when applicable, to increase employment opportunities for minorities and women; and

(3) The progress and efforts being made in locating, hiring, training, qualifying, and upgrading minorities and women.

b. The contractors and subcontractors will submit an annual report to the contracting agency each July for the duration of the project indicating the number of minority, women, and non-minority group employees currently engaged in each work classification required by the contract work. This information is to be reported on [Form FHWA-1391](#). The staffing data should represent the project work force on board in all or any part of the last payroll period preceding the end of July. If on-the-job training is being required by special provision, the contractor will be required to collect and report training data. The employment data should reflect the work force on board during all or any part of the last payroll period preceding the end of July.

III. NONSEGREGATED FACILITIES

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts and to all related construction subcontracts of more than \$10,000. 41 CFR 60-1.5.

As prescribed by 41 CFR 60-1.8, the contractor must ensure that facilities provided for employees are provided in such a manner that segregation on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin cannot result. The contractor may neither require such segregated use by written or oral policies nor tolerate such use by employee custom. The contractor's obligation extends further to ensure that its employees are not assigned to perform their services at any location under the contractor's control where the facilities are segregated. The term "facilities" includes waiting rooms, work areas, restaurants and other eating areas, time clocks, restrooms, washrooms, locker rooms and other storage or dressing areas, parking lots, drinking fountains, recreation or entertainment areas, transportation, and housing provided for employees. The contractor shall provide separate or single-user restrooms and necessary dressing or sleeping areas to assure privacy between sexes.

IV. DAVIS-BACON AND RELATED ACT PROVISIONS

This section is applicable to all Federal-aid construction projects exceeding \$2,000 and to all related subcontracts and lower-tier subcontracts (regardless of subcontract size), in accordance with 29 CFR 5.5. The requirements apply to all projects located within the right-of-way of a roadway that is functionally classified as Federal-aid highway. 23 U.S.C. 113. This excludes roadways functionally classified as local roads or rural minor collectors, which are exempt. 23 U.S.C. 101. Where applicable law requires that projects be treated as a project on a Federal-aid highway, the provisions of this subpart will apply regardless of the location of the project. Examples include: Surface Transportation Block Grant Program projects funded under 23 U.S.C. 133 [excluding recreational trails projects], the Nationally Significant Freight and Highway

Projects funded under 23 U.S.C. 117, and National Highway Freight Program projects funded under 23 U.S.C. 167.

The following provisions are from the U.S. Department of Labor regulations in 29 CFR 5.5 "Contract provisions and related matters" with minor revisions to conform to the FHWA-1273 format and FHWA program requirements.

1. Minimum wages (29 CFR 5.5)

a. *Wage rates and fringe benefits.* All laborers and mechanics employed or working upon the site of the work (or otherwise working in construction or development of the project under a development statute), will be paid unconditionally and not less often than once a week, and without subsequent deduction or rebate on any account (except such payroll deductions as are permitted by regulations issued by the Secretary of Labor under the Copeland Act ([29 CFR part 3](#))), the full amount of basic hourly wages and bona fide fringe benefits (or cash equivalents thereof) due at time of payment computed at rates not less than those contained in the wage determination of the Secretary of Labor which is attached hereto and made a part hereof, regardless of any contractual relationship which may be alleged to exist between the contractor and such laborers and mechanics. As provided in paragraphs (d) and (e) of 29 CFR 5.5, the appropriate wage determinations are effective by operation of law even if they have not been attached to the contract. Contributions made or costs reasonably anticipated for bona fide fringe benefits under the Davis-Bacon Act ([40 U.S.C. 3141\(2\)\(B\)](#)) on behalf of laborers or mechanics are considered wages paid to such laborers or mechanics, subject to the provisions of paragraph 1.e. of this section; also, regular contributions made or costs incurred for more than a weekly period (but not less often than quarterly) under plans, funds, or programs which cover the particular weekly period, are deemed to be constructively made or incurred during such weekly period. Such laborers and mechanics must be paid the appropriate wage rate and fringe benefits on the wage determination for the classification(s) of work actually performed, without regard to skill, except as provided in paragraph 4. of this section. Laborers or mechanics performing work in more than one classification may be compensated at the rate specified for each classification for the time actually worked therein: *Provided*, That the employer's payroll records accurately set forth the time spent in each classification in which work is performed. The wage determination (including any additional classifications and wage rates conformed under paragraph 1.c. of this section) and the Davis-Bacon poster (WH-1321) must be posted at all times by the contractor and its subcontractors at the site of the work in a prominent and accessible place where it can be easily seen by the workers.

b. *Frequently recurring classifications.* (1) In addition to wage and fringe benefit rates that have been determined to be prevailing under the procedures set forth in [29 CFR part 1](#), a wage determination may contain, pursuant to § 1.3(f), wage and fringe benefit rates for classifications of laborers and mechanics for which conformance requests are regularly submitted pursuant to paragraph 1.c. of this section, provided that:

(i) The work performed by the classification is not performed by a classification in the wage determination for which a prevailing wage rate has been determined;

(ii) The classification is used in the area by the construction industry; and

(iii) The wage rate for the classification bears a reasonable relationship to the prevailing wage rates contained in the wage determination.

(2) The Administrator will establish wage rates for such classifications in accordance with paragraph 1.c.(1)(iii) of this section. Work performed in such a classification must be paid at no less than the wage and fringe benefit rate listed on the wage determination for such classification.

c. *Conformance.* (1) The contracting officer must require that any class of laborers or mechanics, including helpers, which is not listed in the wage determination and which is to be employed under the contract be classified in conformance with the wage determination. Conformance of an additional classification and wage rate and fringe benefits is appropriate only when the following criteria have been met:

(i) The work to be performed by the classification requested is not performed by a classification in the wage determination; and

(ii) The classification is used in the area by the construction industry; and

(iii) The proposed wage rate, including any bona fide fringe benefits, bears a reasonable relationship to the wage rates contained in the wage determination.

(2) The conformance process may not be used to split, subdivide, or otherwise avoid application of classifications listed in the wage determination.

(3) If the contractor and the laborers and mechanics to be employed in the classification (if known), or their representatives, and the contracting officer agree on the classification and wage rate (including the amount designated for fringe benefits where appropriate), a report of the action taken will be sent by the contracting officer by email to DBAconformance@dol.gov. The Administrator, or an authorized representative, will approve, modify, or disapprove every additional classification action within 30 days of receipt and so advise the contracting officer or will notify the contracting officer within the 30-day period that additional time is necessary.

(4) In the event the contractor, the laborers or mechanics to be employed in the classification or their representatives, and the contracting officer do not agree on the proposed classification and wage rate (including the amount designated for fringe benefits, where appropriate), the contracting officer will, by email to DBAconformance@dol.gov, refer the questions, including the views of all interested parties and the recommendation of the contracting officer, to the Administrator for determination. The Administrator, or an authorized representative, will issue a determination within 30 days of receipt and so advise the contracting officer or will notify the contracting officer within the 30-day period that additional time is necessary.

(5) The contracting officer must promptly notify the contractor of the action taken by the Wage and Hour Division

under paragraphs 1.c.(3) and (4) of this section. The contractor must furnish a written copy of such determination to each affected worker or it must be posted as a part of the wage determination. The wage rate (including fringe benefits where appropriate) determined pursuant to paragraph 1.c.(3) or (4) of this section must be paid to all workers performing work in the classification under this contract from the first day on which work is performed in the classification.

d. *Fringe benefits not expressed as an hourly rate.* Whenever the minimum wage rate prescribed in the contract for a class of laborers or mechanics includes a fringe benefit which is not expressed as an hourly rate, the contractor may either pay the benefit as stated in the wage determination or may pay another bona fide fringe benefit or an hourly cash equivalent thereof.

e. *Unfunded plans.* If the contractor does not make payments to a trustee or other third person, the contractor may consider as part of the wages of any laborer or mechanic the amount of any costs reasonably anticipated in providing bona fide fringe benefits under a plan or program, *Provided*, That the Secretary of Labor has found, upon the written request of the contractor, in accordance with the criteria set forth in § 5.28, that the applicable standards of the Davis-Bacon Act have been met. The Secretary of Labor may require the contractor to set aside in a separate account assets for the meeting of obligations under the plan or program.

f. *Interest.* In the event of a failure to pay all or part of the wages required by the contract, the contractor will be required to pay interest on any underpayment of wages.

2. Withholding (29 CFR 5.5)

a. *Withholding requirements.* The contracting agency may, upon its own action, or must, upon written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor, withhold or cause to be withheld from the contractor so much of the accrued payments or advances as may be considered necessary to satisfy the liabilities of the prime contractor or any subcontractor for the full amount of wages and monetary relief, including interest, required by the clauses set forth in this section for violations of this contract, or to satisfy any such liabilities required by any other Federal contract, or federally assisted contract subject to Davis-Bacon labor standards, that is held by the same prime contractor (as defined in § 5.2). The necessary funds may be withheld from the contractor under this contract, any other Federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other federally assisted contract that is subject to Davis-Bacon labor standards requirements and is held by the same prime contractor, regardless of whether the other contract was awarded or assisted by the same agency, and such funds may be used to satisfy the contractor liability for which the funds were withheld. In the event of a contractor's failure to pay any laborer or mechanic, including any apprentice or helper working on the site of the work all or part of the wages required by the contract, or upon the contractor's failure to submit the required records as discussed in paragraph 3.d. of this section, the contracting agency may on its own initiative and after written notice to the contractor, take such action as may be necessary to cause the suspension of any further payment, advance, or guarantee of funds until such violations have ceased.

b. *Priority to withheld funds.* The Department has priority to funds withheld or to be withheld in accordance with paragraph

2.a. of this section or Section V, paragraph 3.a., or both, over claims to those funds by:

- (1) A contractor's surety(ies), including without limitation performance bond sureties and payment bond sureties;
- (2) A contracting agency for its procurement costs;
- (3) A trustee(s) (either a court-appointed trustee or a U.S. trustee, or both) in bankruptcy of a contractor, or a contractor's bankruptcy estate;
- (4) A contractor's assignee(s);
- (5) A contractor's successor(s); or
- (6) A claim asserted under the Prompt Payment Act, [31 U.S.C. 3901–3907](#).

3. Records and certified payrolls (29 CFR 5.5)

a. *Basic record requirements (1) Length of record retention.* All regular payrolls and other basic records must be maintained by the contractor and any subcontractor during the course of the work and preserved for all laborers and mechanics working at the site of the work (or otherwise working in construction or development of the project under a development statute) for a period of at least 3 years after all the work on the prime contract is completed.

(2) *Information required.* Such records must contain the name; Social Security number; last known address, telephone number, and email address of each such worker; each worker's correct classification(s) of work actually performed; hourly rates of wages paid (including rates of contributions or costs anticipated for bona fide fringe benefits or cash equivalents thereof of the types described in [40 U.S.C. 3141\(2\)\(B\)](#) of the Davis-Bacon Act); daily and weekly number of hours actually worked in total and on each covered contract; deductions made; and actual wages paid.

(3) *Additional records relating to fringe benefits.* Whenever the Secretary of Labor has found under paragraph 1.e. of this section that the wages of any laborer or mechanic include the amount of any costs reasonably anticipated in providing benefits under a plan or program described in [40 U.S.C. 3141\(2\)\(B\)](#) of the Davis-Bacon Act, the contractor must maintain records which show that the commitment to provide such benefits is enforceable, that the plan or program is financially responsible, and that the plan or program has been communicated in writing to the laborers or mechanics affected, and records which show the costs anticipated or the actual cost incurred in providing such benefits.

(4) *Additional records relating to apprenticeship.* Contractors with apprentices working under approved programs must maintain written evidence of the registration of apprenticeship programs, the registration of the apprentices, and the ratios and wage rates prescribed in the applicable programs.

b. *Certified payroll requirements (1) Frequency and method of submission.* The contractor or subcontractor must submit weekly, for each week in which any DBA- or Related Acts-covered work is performed, certified payrolls to the contracting

agency. The prime contractor is responsible for the submission of all certified payrolls by all subcontractors. A contracting agency or prime contractor may permit or require contractors to submit certified payrolls through an electronic system, as long as the electronic system requires a legally valid electronic signature; the system allows the contractor, the contracting agency, and the Department of Labor to access the certified payrolls upon request for at least 3 years after the work on the prime contract has been completed; and the contracting agency or prime contractor permits other methods of submission in situations where the contractor is unable or limited in its ability to use or access the electronic system.

(2) *Information required.* The certified payrolls submitted must set out accurately and completely all of the information required to be maintained under paragraph 3.a.(2) of this section, except that full Social Security numbers and last known addresses, telephone numbers, and email addresses must not be included on weekly transmittals. Instead, the certified payrolls need only include an individually identifying number for each worker (e.g., the last four digits of the worker's Social Security number). The required weekly certified payroll information may be submitted using Optional Form WH-347 or in any other format desired. Optional Form WH-347 is available for this purpose from the Wage and Hour Division website at <https://www.dol.gov/sites/dolgov/files/WHD/legacy/files/wh347.pdf> or its successor website. It is not a violation of this section for a prime contractor to require a subcontractor to provide full Social Security numbers and last known addresses, telephone numbers, and email addresses to the prime contractor for its own records, without weekly submission by the subcontractor to the contracting agency.

(3) *Statement of Compliance.* Each certified payroll submitted must be accompanied by a "Statement of Compliance," signed by the contractor or subcontractor, or the contractor's or subcontractor's agent who pays or supervises the payment of the persons working on the contract, and must certify the following:

(i) That the certified payroll for the payroll period contains the information required to be provided under paragraph 3.b. of this section, the appropriate information and basic records are being maintained under paragraph 3.a. of this section, and such information and records are correct and complete;

(ii) That each laborer or mechanic (including each helper and apprentice) working on the contract during the payroll period has been paid the full weekly wages earned, without rebate, either directly or indirectly, and that no deductions have been made either directly or indirectly from the full wages earned, other than permissible deductions as set forth in [29 CFR part 3](#); and

(iii) That each laborer or mechanic has been paid not less than the applicable wage rates and fringe benefits or cash equivalents for the classification(s) of work actually performed, as specified in the applicable wage determination incorporated into the contract.

(4) *Use of Optional Form WH-347.* The weekly submission of a properly executed certification set forth on the reverse side of Optional Form WH-347 will satisfy the requirement for submission of the "Statement of Compliance" required by paragraph 3.b.(3) of this section.

(5) *Signature*. The signature by the contractor, subcontractor, or the contractor's or subcontractor's agent must be an original handwritten signature or a legally valid electronic signature.

(6) *Falsification*. The falsification of any of the above certifications may subject the contractor or subcontractor to civil or criminal prosecution under [18 U.S.C. 1001](#) and [31 U.S.C. 3729](#).

(7) *Length of certified payroll retention*. The contractor or subcontractor must preserve all certified payrolls during the course of the work and for a period of 3 years after all the work on the prime contract is completed.

c. *Contracts, subcontracts, and related documents*. The contractor or subcontractor must maintain this contract or subcontract and related documents including, without limitation, bids, proposals, amendments, modifications, and extensions. The contractor or subcontractor must preserve these contracts, subcontracts, and related documents during the course of the work and for a period of 3 years after all the work on the prime contract is completed.

d. *Required disclosures and access* (1) *Required record disclosures and access to workers*. The contractor or subcontractor must make the records required under paragraphs 3.a. through 3.c. of this section, and any other documents that the contracting agency, the State DOT, the FHWA, or the Department of Labor deems necessary to determine compliance with the labor standards provisions of any of the applicable statutes referenced by § 5.1, available for inspection, copying, or transcription by authorized representatives of the contracting agency, the State DOT, the FHWA, or the Department of Labor, and must permit such representatives to interview workers during working hours on the job.

(2) *Sanctions for non-compliance with records and worker access requirements*. If the contractor or subcontractor fails to submit the required records or to make them available, or refuses to permit worker interviews during working hours on the job, the Federal agency may, after written notice to the contractor, sponsor, applicant, owner, or other entity, as the case may be, that maintains such records or that employs such workers, take such action as may be necessary to cause the suspension of any further payment, advance, or guarantee of funds. Furthermore, failure to submit the required records upon request or to make such records available, or to permit worker interviews during working hours on the job, may be grounds for debarment action pursuant to § 5.12. In addition, any contractor or other person that fails to submit the required records or make those records available to WHD within the time WHD requests that the records be produced will be precluded from introducing as evidence in an administrative proceeding under [29 CFR part 6](#) any of the required records that were not provided or made available to WHD. WHD will take into consideration a reasonable request from the contractor or person for an extension of the time for submission of records. WHD will determine the reasonableness of the request and may consider, among other things, the location of the records and the volume of production.

(3) *Required information disclosures*. Contractors and subcontractors must maintain the full Social Security number and last known address, telephone number, and email address

of each covered worker, and must provide them upon request to the contracting agency, the State DOT, the FHWA, the contractor, or the Wage and Hour Division of the Department of Labor for purposes of an investigation or other compliance action.

4. Apprentices and equal employment opportunity (29 CFR 5.5)

a. *Apprentices* (1) *Rate of pay*. Apprentices will be permitted to work at less than the predetermined rate for the work they perform when they are employed pursuant to and individually registered in a bona fide apprenticeship program registered with the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, Office of Apprenticeship (OA), or with a State Apprenticeship Agency recognized by the OA. A person who is not individually registered in the program, but who has been certified by the OA or a State Apprenticeship Agency (where appropriate) to be eligible for probationary employment as an apprentice, will be permitted to work at less than the predetermined rate for the work they perform in the first 90 days of probationary employment as an apprentice in such a program. In the event the OA or a State Apprenticeship Agency recognized by the OA withdraws approval of an apprenticeship program, the contractor will no longer be permitted to use apprentices at less than the applicable predetermined rate for the work performed until an acceptable program is approved.

(2) *Fringe benefits*. Apprentices must be paid fringe benefits in accordance with the provisions of the apprenticeship program. If the apprenticeship program does not specify fringe benefits, apprentices must be paid the full amount of fringe benefits listed on the wage determination for the applicable classification. If the Administrator determines that a different practice prevails for the applicable apprentice classification, fringe benefits must be paid in accordance with that determination.

(3) *Apprenticeship ratio*. The allowable ratio of apprentices to journeyworkers on the job site in any craft classification must not be greater than the ratio permitted to the contractor as to the entire work force under the registered program or the ratio applicable to the locality of the project pursuant to paragraph 4.a.(4) of this section. Any worker listed on a payroll at an apprentice wage rate, who is not registered or otherwise employed as stated in paragraph 4.a.(1) of this section, must be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed. In addition, any apprentice performing work on the job site in excess of the ratio permitted under this section must be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the work actually performed.

(4) *Reciprocity of ratios and wage rates*. Where a contractor is performing construction on a project in a locality other than the locality in which its program is registered, the ratios and wage rates (expressed in percentages of the journeyworker's hourly rate) applicable within the locality in which the construction is being performed must be observed. If there is no applicable ratio or wage rate for the locality of the project, the ratio and wage rate specified in the contractor's registered program must be observed.

b. *Equal employment opportunity*. The use of apprentices and journeyworkers under this part must be in conformity with

the equal employment opportunity requirements of Executive Order 11246, as amended, and [29 CFR part 30](#).

c. Apprentices and Trainees (programs of the U.S. DOT).

Apprentices and trainees working under apprenticeship and skill training programs which have been certified by the Secretary of Transportation as promoting EEO in connection with Federal-aid highway construction programs are not subject to the requirements of paragraph 4 of this Section IV. 23 CFR 230.111(e)(2). The straight time hourly wage rates for apprentices and trainees under such programs will be established by the particular programs. The ratio of apprentices and trainees to journeyworkers shall not be greater than permitted by the terms of the particular program.

5. Compliance with Copeland Act requirements. The contractor shall comply with the requirements of 29 CFR part 3, which are incorporated by reference in this contract as provided in 29 CFR 5.5.

6. Subcontracts. The contractor or subcontractor must insert FHWA-1273 in any subcontracts, along with the applicable wage determination(s) and such other clauses or contract modifications as the contracting agency may by appropriate instructions require, and a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses and wage determination(s) in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor is responsible for the compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with all the contract clauses in this section. In the event of any violations of these clauses, the prime contractor and any subcontractor(s) responsible will be liable for any unpaid wages and monetary relief, including interest from the date of the underpayment or loss, due to any workers of lower-tier subcontractors, and may be subject to debarment, as appropriate. 29 CFR 5.5.

7. Contract termination: debarment. A breach of the contract clauses in 29 CFR 5.5 may be grounds for termination of the contract, and for debarment as a contractor and a subcontractor as provided in 29 CFR 5.12.

8. Compliance with Davis-Bacon and Related Act requirements. All rulings and interpretations of the Davis-Bacon and Related Acts contained in 29 CFR parts 1, 3, and 5 are herein incorporated by reference in this contract as provided in 29 CFR 5.5.

9. Disputes concerning labor standards. As provided in 29 CFR 5.5, disputes arising out of the labor standards provisions of this contract shall not be subject to the general disputes clause of this contract. Such disputes shall be resolved in accordance with the procedures of the Department of Labor set forth in 29 CFR parts 5, 6, and 7. Disputes within the meaning of this clause include disputes between the contractor (or any of its subcontractors) and the contracting agency, the U.S. Department of Labor, or the employees or their representatives.

10. Certification of eligibility. a. By entering into this contract, the contractor certifies that neither it nor any person or firm who has an interest in the contractor's firm is a person or firm ineligible to be awarded Government contracts by virtue of [40 U.S.C. 3144\(b\)](#) or § 5.12(a).

b. No part of this contract shall be subcontracted to any person or firm ineligible for award of a Government contract by virtue of [40 U.S.C. 3144\(b\)](#) or § 5.12(a).

c. The penalty for making false statements is prescribed in the U.S. Code, Title 18 Crimes and Criminal Procedure, [18 U.S.C. 1001](#).

11. Anti-retaliation. It is unlawful for any person to discharge, demote, intimidate, threaten, restrain, coerce, blacklist, harass, or in any other manner discriminate against, or to cause any person to discharge, demote, intimidate, threaten, restrain, coerce, blacklist, harass, or in any other manner discriminate against, any worker or job applicant for:

a. Notifying any contractor of any conduct which the worker reasonably believes constitutes a violation of the DBA, Related Acts, this part, or [29 CFR part 1](#) or [3](#);

b. Filing any complaint, initiating or causing to be initiated any proceeding, or otherwise asserting or seeking to assert on behalf of themselves or others any right or protection under the DBA, Related Acts, this part, or [29 CFR part 1](#) or [3](#);

c. Cooperating in any investigation or other compliance action, or testifying in any proceeding under the DBA, Related Acts, this part, or [29 CFR part 1](#) or [3](#); or

d. Informing any other person about their rights under the DBA, Related Acts, this part, or [29 CFR part 1](#) or [3](#).

V. CONTRACT WORK HOURS AND SAFETY STANDARDS ACT

Pursuant to 29 CFR 5.5(b), the following clauses apply to any Federal-aid construction contract in an amount in excess of \$100,000 and subject to the overtime provisions of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act. These clauses shall be inserted in addition to the clauses required by 29 CFR 5.5(a) or 29 CFR 4.6. As used in this paragraph, the terms laborers and mechanics include watchpersons and guards.

1. Overtime requirements. No contractor or subcontractor contracting for any part of the contract work which may require or involve the employment of laborers or mechanics shall require or permit any such laborer or mechanic in any workweek in which he or she is employed on such work to work in excess of forty hours in such workweek unless such laborer or mechanic receives compensation at a rate not less than one and one-half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of forty hours in such workweek. 29 CFR 5.5.

2. Violation; liability for unpaid wages; liquidated damages. In the event of any violation of the clause set forth in paragraph 1. of this section the contractor and any subcontractor responsible therefor shall be liable for the unpaid wages and interest from the date of the underpayment. In addition, such contractor and subcontractor shall be liable to the United States (in the case of work done under contract for the District of Columbia or a territory, to such District or to such territory), for liquidated damages. Such liquidated damages shall be computed with respect to each individual laborer or

mechanic, including watchpersons and guards, employed in violation of the clause set forth in paragraph 1. of this section, in the sum currently provided in 29 CFR 5.5(b)(2)* for each calendar day on which such individual was required or permitted to work in excess of the standard workweek of forty hours without payment of the overtime wages required by the clause set forth in paragraph 1. of this section.

* \$31 as of January 15, 2023 (See 88 FR 88 FR 2210) as may be adjusted annually by the Department of Labor, pursuant to the Federal Civil Penalties Inflation Adjustment Act of 1990.

3. Withholding for unpaid wages and liquidated damages

a. *Withholding process.* The FHWA or the contracting agency may, upon its own action, or must, upon written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor, withhold or cause to be withheld from the contractor so much of the accrued payments or advances as may be considered necessary to satisfy the liabilities of the prime contractor or any subcontractor for any unpaid wages; monetary relief, including interest; and liquidated damages required by the clauses set forth in this section on this contract, any other Federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other federally assisted contract subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act that is held by the same prime contractor (as defined in § 5.2). The necessary funds may be withheld from the contractor under this contract, any other Federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other federally assisted contract that is subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act and is held by the same prime contractor, regardless of whether the other contract was awarded or assisted by the same agency, and such funds may be used to satisfy the contractor liability for which the funds were withheld.

b. *Priority to withheld funds.* The Department has priority to funds withheld or to be withheld in accordance with Section IV paragraph 2.a. or paragraph 3.a. of this section, or both, over claims to those funds by:

- (1) A contractor's surety(ies), including without limitation performance bond sureties and payment bond sureties;
- (2) A contracting agency for its procurement costs;
- (3) A trustee(s) (either a court-appointed trustee or a U.S. trustee, or both) in bankruptcy of a contractor, or a contractor's bankruptcy estate;
- (4) A contractor's assignee(s);
- (5) A contractor's successor(s); or
- (6) A claim asserted under the Prompt Payment Act, [31 U.S.C. 3901](#)–3907.

4. Subcontracts. The contractor or subcontractor must insert in any subcontracts the clauses set forth in paragraphs 1. through 5. of this section and a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor is responsible for compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with the clauses set forth in paragraphs 1. through 5. In the

event of any violations of these clauses, the prime contractor and any subcontractor(s) responsible will be liable for any unpaid wages and monetary relief, including interest from the date of the underpayment or loss, due to any workers of lower-tier subcontractors, and associated liquidated damages and may be subject to debarment, as appropriate.

5. Anti-retaliation. It is unlawful for any person to discharge, demote, intimidate, threaten, restrain, coerce, blacklist, harass, or in any other manner discriminate against, or to cause any person to discharge, demote, intimidate, threaten, restrain, coerce, blacklist, harass, or in any other manner discriminate against, any worker or job applicant for:

a. Notifying any contractor of any conduct which the worker reasonably believes constitutes a violation of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (CWHSSA) or its implementing regulations in this part;

b. Filing any complaint, initiating or causing to be initiated any proceeding, or otherwise asserting or seeking to assert on behalf of themselves or others any right or protection under CWHSSA or this part;

c. Cooperating in any investigation or other compliance action, or testifying in any proceeding under CWHSSA or this part; or

d. Informing any other person about their rights under CWHSSA or this part.

VI. SUBLETTING OR ASSIGNING THE CONTRACT

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts on the National Highway System pursuant to 23 CFR 635.116.

1. The contractor shall perform with its own organization contract work amounting to not less than 30 percent (or a greater percentage if specified elsewhere in the contract) of the total original contract price, excluding any specialty items designated by the contracting agency. Specialty items may be performed by subcontract and the amount of any such specialty items performed may be deducted from the total original contract price before computing the amount of work required to be performed by the contractor's own organization (23 CFR 635.116).

a. The term "perform work with its own organization" in paragraph 1 of Section VI refers to workers employed or leased by the prime contractor, and equipment owned or rented by the prime contractor, with or without operators. Such term does not include employees or equipment of a subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor, agents of the prime contractor, or any other assignees. The term may include payments for the costs of hiring leased employees from an employee leasing firm meeting all relevant Federal and State regulatory requirements. Leased employees may only be included in this term if the prime contractor meets all of the following conditions: (based on longstanding interpretation)

- (1) the prime contractor maintains control over the supervision of the day-to-day activities of the leased employees;
- (2) the prime contractor remains responsible for the quality of the work of the leased employees;

- (3) the prime contractor retains all power to accept or exclude individual employees from work on the project; and
- (4) the prime contractor remains ultimately responsible for the payment of predetermined minimum wages, the submission of payrolls, statements of compliance and all other Federal regulatory requirements.

b. "Specialty Items" shall be construed to be limited to work that requires highly specialized knowledge, abilities, or equipment not ordinarily available in the type of contracting organizations qualified and expected to bid or propose on the contract as a whole and in general are to be limited to minor components of the overall contract. 23 CFR 635.102.

2. Pursuant to 23 CFR 635.116(a), the contract amount upon which the requirements set forth in paragraph (1) of Section VI is computed includes the cost of material and manufactured products which are to be purchased or produced by the contractor under the contract provisions.

3. Pursuant to 23 CFR 635.116(c), the contractor shall furnish (a) a competent superintendent or supervisor who is employed by the firm, has full authority to direct performance of the work in accordance with the contract requirements, and is in charge of all construction operations (regardless of who performs the work) and (b) such other of its own organizational resources (supervision, management, and engineering services) as the contracting officer determines is necessary to assure the performance of the contract.

4. No portion of the contract shall be sublet, assigned or otherwise disposed of except with the written consent of the contracting officer, or authorized representative, and such consent when given shall not be construed to relieve the contractor of any responsibility for the fulfillment of the contract. Written consent will be given only after the contracting agency has assured that each subcontract is evidenced in writing and that it contains all pertinent provisions and requirements of the prime contract. (based on long-standing interpretation of 23 CFR 635.116).

5. The 30-percent self-performance requirement of paragraph (1) is not applicable to design-build contracts; however, contracting agencies may establish their own self-performance requirements. 23 CFR 635.116(d).

VII. SAFETY: ACCIDENT PREVENTION

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts and to all related subcontracts.

1. In the performance of this contract the contractor shall comply with all applicable Federal, State, and local laws governing safety, health, and sanitation (23 CFR Part 635). The contractor shall provide all safeguards, safety devices and protective equipment and take any other needed actions as it determines, or as the contracting officer may determine, to be reasonably necessary to protect the life and health of employees on the job and the safety of the public and to protect property in connection with the performance of the work covered by the contract. 23 CFR 635.108.

2. It is a condition of this contract, and shall be made a condition of each subcontract, which the contractor enters into pursuant to this contract, that the contractor and any subcontractor shall not permit any employee, in performance of the contract, to work in surroundings or under conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous or dangerous to his/her health or safety, as determined under construction safety and

health standards (29 CFR Part 1926) promulgated by the Secretary of Labor, in accordance with Section 107 of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 3704). 29 CFR 1926.10.

3. Pursuant to 29 CFR 1926.3, it is a condition of this contract that the Secretary of Labor or authorized representative thereof, shall have right of entry to any site of contract performance to inspect or investigate the matter of compliance with the construction safety and health standards and to carry out the duties of the Secretary under Section 107 of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 3704).

VIII. FALSE STATEMENTS CONCERNING HIGHWAY PROJECTS

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts and to all related subcontracts.

In order to assure high quality and durable construction in conformity with approved plans and specifications and a high degree of reliability on statements and representations made by engineers, contractors, suppliers, and workers on Federal-aid highway projects, it is essential that all persons concerned with the project perform their functions as carefully, thoroughly, and honestly as possible. Willful falsification, distortion, or misrepresentation with respect to any facts related to the project is a violation of Federal law. To prevent any misunderstanding regarding the seriousness of these and similar acts, Form FHWA-1022 shall be posted on each Federal-aid highway project (23 CFR Part 635) in one or more places where it is readily available to all persons concerned with the project:

18 U.S.C. 1020 reads as follows:

"Whoever, being an officer, agent, or employee of the United States, or of any State or Territory, or whoever, whether a person, association, firm, or corporation, knowingly makes any false statement, false representation, or false report as to the character, quality, quantity, or cost of the material used or to be used, or the quantity or quality of the work performed or to be performed, or the cost thereof in connection with the submission of plans, maps, specifications, contracts, or costs of construction on any highway or related project submitted for approval to the Secretary of Transportation; or

Whoever knowingly makes any false statement, false representation, false report or false claim with respect to the character, quality, quantity, or cost of any work performed or to be performed, or materials furnished or to be furnished, in connection with the construction of any highway or related project approved by the Secretary of Transportation; or

Whoever knowingly makes any false statement or false representation as to material fact in any statement, certificate, or report submitted pursuant to provisions of the Federal-aid Roads Act approved July 11, 1916, (39 Stat. 355), as amended and supplemented;

Shall be fined under this title or imprisoned not more than 5 years or both."

IX. IMPLEMENTATION OF CLEAN AIR ACT AND FEDERAL WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ACT (42 U.S.C. 7606; 2 CFR 200.88; EO 11738)

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts in excess of \$150,000 and to all related subcontracts. 48 CFR 2.101; 2 CFR 200.327.

By submission of this bid/proposal or the execution of this contract or subcontract, as appropriate, the bidder, proposer, Federal-aid construction contractor, subcontractor, supplier, or vendor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended (33 U.S.C. 1251-1387). Violations must be reported to the Federal Highway Administration and the Regional Office of the Environmental Protection Agency. 2 CFR Part 200, Appendix II.

The contractor agrees to include or cause to be included the requirements of this Section in every subcontract, and further agrees to take such action as the contracting agency may direct as a means of enforcing such requirements. 2 CFR 200.327.

X. CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, INELIGIBILITY AND VOLUNTARY EXCLUSION

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts, design-build contracts, subcontracts, lower-tier subcontracts, purchase orders, lease agreements, consultant contracts or any other covered transaction requiring FHWA approval or that is estimated to cost \$25,000 or more – as defined in 2 CFR Parts 180 and 1200. 2 CFR 180.220 and 1200.220.

1. Instructions for Certification – First Tier Participants:

- a. By signing and submitting this proposal, the prospective first tier participant is providing the certification set out below.
- b. The inability of a person to provide the certification set out below will not necessarily result in denial of participation in this covered transaction. The prospective first tier participant shall submit an explanation of why it cannot provide the certification set out below. The certification or explanation will be considered in connection with the department or agency's determination whether to enter into this transaction. However, failure of the prospective first tier participant to furnish a certification or an explanation shall disqualify such a person from participation in this transaction. 2 CFR 180.320.
- c. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when the contracting agency determined to enter into this transaction. If it is later determined that the prospective participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the contracting agency may terminate this transaction for cause of default. 2 CFR 180.325.
- d. The prospective first tier participant shall provide immediate written notice to the contracting agency to whom this proposal is submitted if any time the prospective first tier participant learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances. 2 CFR 180.345 and 180.350.

e. The terms "covered transaction," "debarred," "suspended," "ineligible," "participant," "person," "principal," and "voluntarily excluded," as used in this clause, are defined in 2 CFR Parts 180, Subpart I, 180.900-180.1020, and 1200. "First Tier Covered Transactions" refers to any covered transaction between a recipient or subrecipient of Federal funds and a participant (such as the prime or general contract). "Lower Tier Covered Transactions" refers to any covered transaction under a First Tier Covered Transaction (such as subcontracts). "First Tier Participant" refers to the participant who has entered into a covered transaction with a recipient or subrecipient of Federal funds (such as the prime or general contractor). "Lower Tier Participant" refers any participant who has entered into a covered transaction with a First Tier Participant or other Lower Tier Participants (such as subcontractors and suppliers).

f. The prospective first tier participant agrees by submitting this proposal that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the department or agency entering into this transaction. 2 CFR 180.330.

g. The prospective first tier participant further agrees by submitting this proposal that it will include the clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion-Lower Tier Covered Transactions," provided by the department or contracting agency, entering into this covered transaction, without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions exceeding the \$25,000 threshold. 2 CFR 180.220 and 180.300.

h. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that is not debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. 2 CFR 180.300; 180.320, and 180.325. A participant is responsible for ensuring that its principals are not suspended, debarred, or otherwise ineligible to participate in covered transactions. 2 CFR 180.335. To verify the eligibility of its principals, as well as the eligibility of any lower tier prospective participants, each participant may, but is not required to, check the System for Award Management website (<https://www.sam.gov/>). 2 CFR 180.300, 180.320, and 180.325.

i. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require the establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of the prospective participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.

j. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph (f) of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency may terminate this transaction for cause or default. 2 CFR 180.325.

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2. Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion – First Tier Participants:

a. The prospective first tier participant certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it and its principals:

(1) Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participating in covered transactions by any Federal department or agency, 2 CFR 180.335;.

(2) Have not within a three-year period preceding this proposal been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State, or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property, 2 CFR 180.800;

(3) Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (a)(2) of this certification, 2 CFR 180.700 and 180.800; and

(4) Have not within a three-year period preceding this application/proposal had one or more public transactions (Federal, State or local) terminated for cause or default. 2 CFR 180.335(d).

(5) Are not a corporation that has been convicted of a felony violation under any Federal law within the two-year period preceding this proposal (USDOT Order 4200.6 implementing appropriations act requirements); and

(6) Are not a corporation with any unpaid Federal tax liability that has been assessed, for which all judicial and administrative remedies have been exhausted, or have lapsed, and that is not being paid in a timely manner pursuant to an agreement with the authority responsible for collecting the tax liability (USDOT Order 4200.6 implementing appropriations act requirements).

b. Where the prospective participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant should attach an explanation to this proposal. 2 CFR 180.335 and 180.340.

3. Instructions for Certification - Lower Tier Participants:

(Applicable to all subcontracts, purchase orders, and other lower tier transactions requiring prior FHWA approval or estimated to cost \$25,000 or more - 2 CFR Parts 180 and 1200). 2 CFR 180.220 and 1200.220.

a. By signing and submitting this proposal, the prospective lower tier participant is providing the certification set out below.

b. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was entered into. If it is later determined that the prospective lower tier participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department, or agency with which

this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.

c. The prospective lower tier participant shall provide immediate written notice to the person to which this proposal is submitted if at any time the prospective lower tier participant learns that its certification was erroneous by reason of changed circumstances. 2 CFR 180.365.

d. The terms "covered transaction," "debarred," "suspended," "ineligible," "participant," "person," "principal," and "voluntarily excluded," as used in this clause, are defined in 2 CFR Parts 180, Subpart I, 180.900 – 180.1020, and 1200. You may contact the person to which this proposal is submitted for assistance in obtaining a copy of those regulations. "First Tier Covered Transactions" refers to any covered transaction between a recipient or subrecipient of Federal funds and a participant (such as the prime or general contract). "Lower Tier Covered Transactions" refers to any covered transaction under a First Tier Covered Transaction (such as subcontracts). "First Tier Participant" refers to the participant who has entered into a covered transaction with a recipient or subrecipient of Federal funds (such as the prime or general contractor). "Lower Tier Participant" refers any participant who has entered into a covered transaction with a First Tier Participant or other Lower Tier Participants (such as subcontractors and suppliers).

e. The prospective lower tier participant agrees by submitting this proposal that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the department or agency with which this transaction originated. 2 CFR 1200.220 and 1200.332.

f. The prospective lower tier participant further agrees by submitting this proposal that it will include this clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion-Lower Tier Covered Transaction," without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions exceeding the \$25,000 threshold. 2 CFR 180.220 and 1200.220.

g. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that is not debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant is responsible for ensuring that its principals are not suspended, debarred, or otherwise ineligible to participate in covered transactions. To verify the eligibility of its principals, as well as the eligibility of any lower tier prospective participants, each participant may, but is not required to, check the System for Award Management website (<https://www.sam.gov/>), which is compiled by the General Services Administration. 2 CFR 180.300, 180.320, 180.330, and 180.335.

h. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.

i. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph e of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily

excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment. 2 CFR 180.325.

4. Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion--Lower Tier Participants:

a. The prospective lower tier participant certifies, by submission of this proposal, that neither it nor its principals:

(1) is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participating in covered transactions by any Federal department or agency, 2 CFR 180.355;

(2) is a corporation that has been convicted of a felony violation under any Federal law within the two-year period preceding this proposal (USDOT Order 4200.6 implementing appropriations act requirements); and

(3) is a corporation with any unpaid Federal tax liability that has been assessed, for which all judicial and administrative remedies have been exhausted, or have lapsed, and that is not being paid in a timely manner pursuant to an agreement with the authority responsible for collecting the tax liability. (USDOT Order 4200.6 implementing appropriations act requirements)

b. Where the prospective lower tier participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant should attach an explanation to this proposal.

XI. CERTIFICATION REGARDING USE OF CONTRACT FUNDS FOR LOBBYING

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts and to all related subcontracts which exceed \$100,000. 49 CFR Part 20, App. A.

1. The prospective participant certifies, by signing and submitting this bid or proposal, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

a. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any Federal agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.

b. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any Federal agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or

cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.

2. This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by 31 U.S.C. 1352. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

3. The prospective participant also agrees by submitting its bid or proposal that the participant shall require that the language of this certification be included in all lower tier subcontracts, which exceed \$100,000 and that all such recipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

XII. USE OF UNITED STATES-FLAG VESSELS:

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts, design-build contracts, subcontracts, lower-tier subcontracts, purchase orders, lease agreements, or any other covered transaction. 46 CFR Part 381.

This requirement applies to material or equipment that is acquired for a specific Federal-aid highway project. 46 CFR 381.7. It is not applicable to goods or materials that come into inventories independent of an FHWA funded-contract.

When oceanic shipments (or shipments across the Great Lakes) are necessary for materials or equipment acquired for a specific Federal-aid construction project, the bidder, proposer, contractor, subcontractor, or vendor agrees:

1. To utilize privately owned United States-flag commercial vessels to ship at least 50 percent of the gross tonnage (computed separately for dry bulk carriers, dry cargo liners, and tankers) involved, whenever shipping any equipment, material, or commodities pursuant to this contract, to the extent such vessels are available at fair and reasonable rates for United States-flag commercial vessels. 46 CFR 381.7.

2. To furnish within 20 days following the date of loading for shipments originating within the United States or within 30 working days following the date of loading for shipments originating outside the United States, a legible copy of a rated, 'on-board' commercial ocean bill-of-lading in English for each shipment of cargo described in paragraph (b)(1) of this section to both the Contracting Officer (through the prime contractor in the case of subcontractor bills-of-lading) and to the Office of Cargo and Commercial Sealift (MAR-620), Maritime Administration, Washington, DC 20590. (MARAD requires copies of the ocean carrier's (master) bills of lading, certified onboard, dated, with rates and charges. These bills of lading may contain business sensitive information and therefore may be submitted directly to MARAD by the Ocean Transportation Intermediary on behalf of the contractor). 46 CFR 381.7.

**ATTACHMENT A - EMPLOYMENT AND MATERIALS
PREFERENCE FOR APPALACHIAN DEVELOPMENT
HIGHWAY SYSTEM OR APPALACHIAN LOCAL ACCESS
ROAD CONTRACTS (23 CFR 633, Subpart B, Appendix B)**

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid projects funded under the Appalachian Regional Development Act of 1965.

1. During the performance of this contract, the contractor undertaking to do work which is, or reasonably may be, done as on-site work, shall give preference to qualified persons who regularly reside in the labor area as designated by the DOL wherein the contract work is situated, or the subregion, or the Appalachian counties of the State wherein the contract work is situated, except:

a. To the extent that qualified persons regularly residing in the area are not available.

b. For the reasonable needs of the contractor to employ supervisory or specially experienced personnel necessary to assure an efficient execution of the contract work.

c. For the obligation of the contractor to offer employment to present or former employees as the result of a lawful collective bargaining contract, provided that the number of nonresident persons employed under this subparagraph (1c) shall not exceed 20 percent of the total number of employees employed by the contractor on the contract work, except as provided in subparagraph (4) below.

2. The contractor shall place a job order with the State Employment Service indicating (a) the classifications of the laborers, mechanics and other employees required to perform the contract work, (b) the number of employees required in each classification, (c) the date on which the participant estimates such employees will be required, and (d) any other pertinent information required by the State Employment Service to complete the job order form. The job order may be placed with the State Employment Service in writing or by telephone. If during the course of the contract work, the information submitted by the contractor in the original job order is substantially modified, the participant shall promptly notify the State Employment Service.

3. The contractor shall give full consideration to all qualified job applicants referred to him by the State Employment Service. The contractor is not required to grant employment to any job applicants who, in his opinion, are not qualified to perform the classification of work required.

4. If, within one week following the placing of a job order by the contractor with the State Employment Service, the State Employment Service is unable to refer any qualified job applicants to the contractor, or less than the number requested, the State Employment Service will forward a certificate to the contractor indicating the unavailability of applicants. Such certificate shall be made a part of the contractor's permanent project records. Upon receipt of this certificate, the contractor may employ persons who do not normally reside in the labor area to fill positions covered by the certificate, notwithstanding the provisions of subparagraph (1c) above.

5. The provisions of 23 CFR 633.207(e) allow the contracting agency to provide a contractual preference for the use of mineral resource materials native to the Appalachian region.

6. The contractor shall include the provisions of Sections 1 through 4 of this Attachment A in every subcontract for work which is, or reasonably may be, done as on-site work.

The wage rates listed herein are those predetermined by the Secretary of Labor and State Statute and listed in the United States Department of Labor's (USDOL) General Decisions dated 01-05-2024 and are the minimum wages to be paid accordingly for each specified classification. To determine the applicable wage rate zone, a list entitled "TEXAS COUNTIES IDENTIFIED BY WAGE RATE ZONES" is provided in the contract. Any wage rate that is not listed herein and not in the USDOL's general decision, must be requested by the contractor through the completion of an Additional Classification and Wage Rate Request and be submitted for approval. IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR STATE PROJECTS: only the controlling wage rate zone applies to the contract. Effective 01-05-2024.

CLASS. #	CLASSIFICATION DESCRIPTION	ZONE TX02 *(TX20240002)	ZONE TX03 *(TX20240003)	ZONE TX04 *(TX20240004)	ZONE TX05 *(TX20240005)	ZONE TX06 *(TX20240006)	ZONE TX07 *(TX20240007)	ZONE TX08 *(TX20240008)	ZONE TX24 *(TX20240024)	ZONE TX25 *(TX20240025)	ZONE TX27 *(TX20240027)	ZONE TX28 *(TX20240028)	ZONE TX29 *(TX20240029)	ZONE TX30 *(TX20240030)	ZONE TX37 *(TX20240037)	ZONE TX38 *(TX20240038)	ZONE TX42 *(TX20240042)
1428	Agricultural Tractor Operator						\$12.69					\$12.35			\$11.75		
1300	Asphalt Distributor Operator	\$14.87	\$13.48	\$13.88	\$15.72	\$15.58	\$15.55	\$15.72	\$13.28	\$15.32	\$15.62	\$14.36	\$14.25	\$14.03	\$13.75	\$14.06	\$14.40
1303	Asphalt Paving Machine Operator	\$13.40	\$12.25	\$12.35	\$13.87	\$14.05	\$14.36	\$14.20	\$13.26	\$13.99	\$14.68	\$12.92	\$13.44	\$12.53	\$14.00	\$14.32	\$12.99
1106	Asphalt Raker	\$12.28	\$10.61	\$12.02	\$14.21	\$11.65	\$12.12	\$11.64	\$11.44	\$12.69	\$12.05	\$11.34	\$11.67	\$11.40	\$12.59	\$12.36	\$11.78
1112	Batching Plant Operator, Asphalt																
1115	Batching Plant Operator, Concrete																
1214	Blaster																
1615	Boom Truck Operator						\$18.36										
1444	Boring Machine Operator																
1305	Broom or Sweeper Operator	\$11.21	\$10.33	\$10.08	\$11.99		\$11.04	\$11.62		\$11.74	\$11.41	\$10.30		\$10.23	\$10.60	\$12.68	\$11.05
1144	Communications Cable Installer																
1124	Concrete Finisher, Paving and Structures	\$13.55	\$12.46	\$13.16	\$12.85	\$12.64	\$12.56	\$12.77	\$12.44	\$14.12	\$13.04	\$13.38	\$12.64	\$12.80	\$12.79	\$12.98	\$13.32
1318	Concrete Pavement Finishing Machine Operator				\$16.05		\$15.48			\$16.05		\$19.31				\$13.07	
1315	Concrete Paving, Curing, Float, Texturing Machine Operator											\$16.34				\$11.71	
1333	Concrete Saw Operator				\$14.67					\$14.48	\$17.33					\$13.99	
1399	Concrete/Gunite Pump Operator																
1344	Crane Operator, Hydraulic 60 tons or less				\$18.22		\$18.36			\$18.12	\$18.04	\$20.21			\$18.63	\$13.86	
1345	Crane Operator, Hydraulic Over 80 Tons																
1342	Crane Operator, Lattice Boom 80 Tons or Less	\$16.82	\$14.39	\$13.85	\$17.27		\$15.87			\$17.27		\$14.67			\$16.42	\$14.97	\$13.87
1343	Crane Operator, Lattice Boom Over 80 Tons				\$20.52		\$19.38			\$20.52		\$17.49			\$25.13	\$15.80	
1306	Crawler Tractor Operator	\$13.96	\$16.63	\$13.62	\$14.26		\$15.67			\$14.07	\$13.15	\$13.38			\$14.60	\$13.68	\$13.50
1351	Crusher or Screen Plant Operator																
1446	Directional Drilling Locator						\$11.67										
1445	Directional Drilling Operator				\$20.32		\$17.24										
1139	Electrician	\$20.96		\$19.87	\$19.80		\$26.35		\$20.27	\$19.80		\$20.92				\$27.11	\$19.87
1347	Excavator Operator, 50,000 pounds or less	\$13.46	\$12.56	\$13.67	\$17.19		\$12.88	\$14.38	\$13.49	\$17.19		\$13.88			\$14.09	\$12.71	\$14.42
1348	Excavator Operator, Over 50,000 pounds		\$15.23	\$13.52	\$17.04		\$17.71			\$16.99	\$18.80	\$16.22				\$14.53	\$13.52
1150	Flagger	\$9.30	\$9.10	\$8.50	\$10.28	\$8.81	\$9.45	\$8.70		\$10.06	\$9.71	\$9.03	\$8.81	\$9.08	\$9.90	\$10.33	\$8.10
1151	Form Builder/Setter, Structures	\$13.52	\$12.30	\$13.38	\$12.91	\$12.71	\$12.87	\$12.38	\$12.26	\$13.84	\$12.98	\$13.07	\$13.61	\$12.82	\$14.73	\$12.23	\$12.25
1160	Form Setter, Paving & Curb	\$12.36	\$12.16	\$13.93	\$11.83	\$10.71	\$12.94			\$13.16	\$12.54	\$11.33	\$10.69		\$13.33	\$12.34	\$13.93
1360	Foundation Drill Operator, Crawler Mounted				\$17.99					\$17.99						\$17.43	
1363	Foundation Drill Operator, Truck Mounted		\$16.86	\$22.05	\$21.51		\$16.93			\$21.07	\$20.20	\$20.76		\$17.54	\$21.39	\$15.89	\$22.05
1369	Front End Loader Operator, 3 CY or Less	\$12.28	\$13.49	\$13.40	\$13.85		\$13.04	\$13.15	\$13.29	\$13.69	\$12.64	\$12.89			\$13.51	\$13.32	\$12.17
1372	Front End Loader Operator, Over 3 CY	\$12.77	\$13.69	\$12.33	\$14.96		\$13.21	\$12.86	\$13.57	\$14.72	\$13.75	\$12.32			\$13.19	\$13.17	\$13.02
1329	Joint Sealer																
1172	Laborer, Common	\$10.30	\$9.86	\$10.08	\$10.51	\$10.71	\$10.50	\$10.24	\$10.58	\$10.72	\$10.45	\$10.30	\$10.25	\$10.03	\$10.54	\$11.02	\$10.15
1175	Laborer, Utility	\$11.80	\$11.53	\$12.70	\$12.17	\$11.81	\$12.27	\$12.11	\$11.33	\$12.32	\$11.80	\$11.53	\$11.23	\$11.50	\$11.95	\$11.73	\$12.37
1346	Loader/Backhoe Operator	\$14.18	\$12.77	\$12.97	\$15.68		\$14.12			\$15.18	\$13.58	\$12.87		\$13.21	\$14.13	\$14.29	\$12.90
1187	Mechanic	\$20.14	\$15.47	\$17.47	\$17.74	\$17.00	\$17.10			\$17.68	\$18.94	\$18.58	\$17.00	\$16.61	\$18.46	\$16.96	\$17.47

CLASS. #	CLASSIFICATION DESCRIPTION	ZONE TX02 *(TX20240002)	ZONE TX03 *(TX20240003)	ZONE TX04 *(TX20240004)	ZONE TX05 *(TX20240005)	ZONE TX06 *(TX20240006)	ZONE TX07 *(TX20240007)	ZONE TX08 *(TX20240008)	ZONE TX24 *(TX20240024)	ZONE TX25 *(TX20240025)	ZONE TX27 *(TX20240027)	ZONE TX28 *(TX20240028)	ZONE TX29 *(TX20240029)	ZONE TX30 *(TX20240030)	ZONE TX37 *(TX20240037)	ZONE TX38 *(TX20240038)	ZONE TX42 *(TX20240042)
1380	Milling Machine Operator Motor Grader Operator,	\$15.54	\$14.64	\$12.22	\$14.29		\$14.18			\$14.32	\$14.35	\$12.86			\$14.75	\$13.53	\$12.80
1390	Fine Grade	\$17.49	\$16.52	\$16.88	\$17.12	\$18.37	\$18.51	\$16.69	\$16.13	\$17.19	\$18.35	\$17.07	\$17.74	\$17.47	\$17.08	\$15.69	\$20.01
1393	Motor Grader Operator, Rough	\$16.15	\$14.62	\$15.83	\$16.20	\$17.07	\$14.63	\$18.50		\$16.02	\$16.44	\$15.12	\$16.85	\$14.47	\$17.39	\$14.23	\$15.53
1413	Off Road Hauler			\$10.08	\$12.26		\$11.88			\$12.25		\$12.23			\$13.00	\$14.60	
1196	Painter, Structures					\$21.29	\$18.34						\$21.29			\$18.62	
1396	Pavement Marking Machine Operator	\$16.42		\$13.10	\$13.55		\$19.17	\$12.01		\$13.63	\$14.60	\$13.17		\$16.65	\$10.54	\$11.18	\$13.10
1443	Percussion or Rotary Drill Operator																
1202	Piledriver															\$14.95	
1205	Pipelayer		\$11.87	\$14.64	\$13.17	\$11.17	\$12.79		\$11.37	\$13.24	\$12.66	\$13.24	\$11.17	\$11.67		\$12.12	\$14.64
1384	Reclaimer/Pulverizer Operator	\$12.85			\$11.90		\$12.88			\$11.01		\$10.46					
1500	Reinforcing Steel Worker	\$13.50	\$14.07	\$17.53	\$16.17		\$14.00			\$16.18	\$12.74	\$15.83		\$17.10		\$15.15	\$17.72
1402	Roller Operator, Asphalt	\$10.95		\$11.96	\$13.29		\$12.78	\$11.61		\$13.08	\$12.36	\$11.68			\$11.71	\$11.95	\$11.50
1405	Roller Operator, Other	\$10.36		\$10.44	\$11.82		\$10.50	\$11.64		\$11.51	\$10.59	\$10.30		\$12.04	\$12.85	\$11.57	\$10.66
1411	Scraper Operator	\$10.61	\$11.07	\$10.85	\$12.88		\$12.27		\$11.12	\$12.96	\$11.88	\$12.43		\$11.22	\$13.95	\$13.47	\$10.89
1417	Self-Propelled Hammer Operator																
1194	Servicer	\$13.98	\$12.34	\$14.11	\$14.74		\$14.51	\$15.56	\$13.44	\$14.58	\$14.31	\$13.83		\$12.43	\$13.72	\$13.97	\$14.11
1513	Sign Erector																
1708	Slurry Seal or Micro-Surfacing Machine Operator																
1341	Small Slipform Machine Operator									\$15.96							
1515	Spreader Box Operator	\$12.60		\$13.12	\$14.71		\$14.04			\$14.73	\$13.84	\$13.68		\$13.45	\$11.83	\$13.58	\$14.05
1705	Structural Steel Welder															\$12.85	
1509	Structural Steel Worker						\$19.29									\$14.39	
1339	Subgrade Trimmer																
1143	Telecommunication Technician																
1145	Traffic Signal/Light Pole Worker						\$16.00										
1440	Trenching Machine Operator, Heavy						\$18.48										
1437	Trenching Machine Operator, Light																
1609	Truck Driver Lowboy-Float	\$14.46	\$13.63	\$13.41	\$15.00	\$15.93	\$15.66			\$16.24	\$16.39	\$14.30	\$16.62	\$15.63	\$14.28	\$16.03	\$13.41
1612	Truck Driver Transit-Mix				\$14.14					\$14.14							
1600	Truck Driver, Single Axle	\$12.74	\$10.82	\$10.75	\$13.04	\$11.61	\$11.79	\$13.53	\$13.16	\$12.31	\$13.40	\$10.30	\$11.61		\$11.97	\$11.46	\$10.75
1606	Truck Driver, Single or Tandem Axle Dump Truck	\$11.33	\$14.53	\$11.95	\$12.95		\$11.68		\$14.06	\$12.62	\$11.45	\$12.28		\$13.08	\$11.68	\$11.48	\$11.10
1607	Truck Driver, Tandem Axle Tractor with Semi Trailer	\$12.49	\$12.12	\$12.50	\$13.42		\$12.81	\$13.16		\$12.86	\$16.22	\$12.50			\$13.80	\$12.27	\$12.50
1441	Tunneling Machine Operator, Heavy																
1442	Tunneling Machine Operator, Light																
1706	Welder		\$14.02		\$14.86		\$15.97		\$13.74	\$14.84					\$13.78		
1520	Work Zone Barricade Servicer	\$10.30	\$12.88	\$11.46	\$11.70	\$11.57	\$11.85	\$10.77		\$11.68	\$12.20	\$11.22	\$11.51	\$12.96	\$10.54	\$11.67	\$11.76

Notes:

*Represents the USDOL wage decision.

Any worker employed on this project shall be paid at the rate of one and one half (1-1/2) times the regular rate for every hour worked in excess of forty (40) hours per week.

For reference, the titles and descriptions for the classifications listed here are detailed further in the AGC of Texas' *Standard Job Classifications and Descriptions for Highway, Heavy, Utilities, and Industrial Construction in Texas* posted on the AGC's Web site for any contractor.

**TEXAS COUNTIES IDENTIFIED BY
WAGE RATE ZONES: 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 24, 25, 27, 28, 29, 30, 37, 38, 42**

County Name	Zone	County Name	Zone	County Name	Zone	County Name	Zone
Anderson	28	Donley	37	Karnes	27	Reagan	37
Andrews	37	Duval	30	Kaufman	25	Real	37
Angelina	28	Eastland	37	Kendall	7	Red River	28
Aransas	29	Ector	2	Kenedy	30	Reeves	8
Archer	25	Edwards	8	Kent	37	Refugio	27
Armstrong	2	El Paso	24	Kerr	27	Roberts	37
Atascosa	7	Ellis	25	Kimble	37	Robertson	7
Austin	38	Erath	28	King	37	Rockwall	25
Bailey	37	Falls	28	Kinney	8	Runnels	37
Bandera	7	Fannin	28	Kleberg	27	Rusk	4
Bastrop	7	Fayette	27	Knox	37	Sabine	28
Baylor	37	Fisher	37	Lamar	28	San Augustine	28
Bee	27	Floyd	37	Lamb	37	San Jacinto	38
Bell	7	Foard	37	Lampasas	7	San Patricio	29
Bexar	7	Fort Bend	38	LaSalle	30	San Saba	37
Blanco	27	Franklin	28	Lavaca	27	Schleicher	37
Borden	37	Freestone	28	Lee	27	Scurry	37
Bosque	28	Frio	27	Leon	28	Shackelford	37
Bowie	4	Gaines	37	Liberty	38	Shelby	28
Brazoria	38	Galveston	38	Limestone	28	Sherman	37
Brazos	7	Garza	37	Lipscomb	37	Smith	4
Brewster	8	Gillespie	27	Live Oak	27	Somervell	28
Briscoe	37	Glasscock	37	Llano	27	Starr	30
Brooks	30	Goliad	29	Loving	37	Stephens	37
Brown	37	Gonzales	27	Lubbock	2	Sterling	37
Burleson	7	Gray	37	Lynn	37	Stonewall	37
Burnet	27	Grayson	25	Madison	28	Sutton	8
Caldwell	7	Gregg	4	Marion	28	Swisher	37
Calhoun	29	Grimes	28	Martin	37	Tarrant	25
Callahan	25	Guadalupe	7	Mason	27	Taylor	2
Cameron	3	Hale	37	Matagorda	27	Terrell	8
Camp	28	Hall	37	Maverick	30	Terry	37
Carson	2	Hamilton	28	McCulloch	37	Throckmorton	37
Cass	28	Hansford	37	McLennan	7	Titus	28
Castro	37	Hardeman	37	McMullen	30	Tom Green	2
Chambers	38	Hardin	38	Medina	7	Travis	7
Cherokee	28	Harris	38	Menard	37	Trinity	28
Childress	37	Harrison	42	Midland	2	Tyler	28
Clay	25	Hartley	37	Milam	28	Upshur	4
Cochran	37	Haskell	37	Mills	37	Upton	37
Coke	37	Hays	7	Mitchell	37	Uvalde	30
Coleman	37	Hemphill	37	Montague	37	Val Verde	8
Collin	25	Henderson	28	Montgomery	38	Van Zandt	28
Collingsworth	37	Hidalgo	3	Moore	37	Victoria	6
Colorado	27	Hill	28	Morris	28	Walker	28
Comal	7	Hockley	37	Motley	37	Waller	38
Comanche	37	Hood	28	Nacogdoches	28	Ward	37
Concho	37	Hopkins	28	Navarro	28	Washington	28
Cooke	37	Houston	28	Newton	28	Webb	3
Coryell	7	Howard	37	Nolan	37	Wharton	27
Cottle	37	Hudspeth	8	Nueces	29	Wheeler	37
Crane	37	Hunt	25	Ochiltree	37	Wichita	5
Crockett	8	Hutchinson	37	Oldham	37	Wilbarger	37
Crosby	2	Irion	2	Orange	38	Willacy	30
Culberson	8	Jack	28	Palo Pinto	28	Williamson	7
Dallam	37	Jackson	27	Panola	28	Wilson	7
Dallas	25	Jasper	28	Parker	25	Winkler	37
Dawson	37	Jeff Davis	8	Parmer	37	Wise	25
Deaf Smith	37	Jefferson	38	Pecos	8	Wood	28
Delta	25	Jim Hogg	30	Polk	28	Yoakum	37
Denton	25	Jim Wells	27	Potter	2	Young	37
DeWitt	27	Johnson	25	Presidio	8	Zapata	30
Dickens	37	Jones	25	Rains	28	Zavala	30
Dimmit	30			Randall	2		

Special Provision to Item 000

Nondiscrimination



1. DESCRIPTION

All recipients of federal financial assistance are required to comply with various nondiscrimination laws including Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, (Title VI). Title VI forbids discrimination against anyone in the United States on the grounds of race, color, or national origin by any agency receiving federal funds.

Texas Department of Transportation, as a recipient of Federal financial assistance, and under Title VI and related statutes, ensures that no person shall on the grounds of race, religion (where the primary objective of the financial assistance is to provide employment per 42 U.S.C. § 2000d-3), color, national origin, sex, age or disability be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or otherwise be subjected to discrimination under any Department programs or activities.

2. DEFINITION OF TERMS

Where the term “contractor” appears in the following six nondiscrimination clauses, the term “contractor” is understood to include all parties to contracts or agreements with the Texas Department of Transportation.

3. NONDISCRIMINATION PROVISIONS

During the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees as follows:

- 3.1. **Compliance with Regulations.** The Contractor shall comply with the Regulations relative to nondiscrimination in Federally-assisted programs of the Department of Transportation (hereinafter, “DOT”) Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 21, as they may be amended from time to time, (hereinafter referred to as the Regulations), which are herein incorporated by reference and made a part of this contract.
- 3.2. **Nondiscrimination.** The contractor, with regard to the work performed by it during the contract, shall not discriminate on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in the selection and retention of subcontractors, including procurements of materials and leases of equipment. The contractor shall not participate either directly or indirectly in the discrimination prohibited by section 21.5 of the Regulations, including employment practices when the contract covers a program set forth in Appendix B of the Regulations.
- 3.3. **Solicitations for Subcontracts, Including Procurements of Materials and Equipment:** In all solicitations either by competitive bidding or negotiation made by the contractor for work to be performed under a subcontract, including procurements of materials or leases of equipment, each potential subcontractor or supplier shall be notified by the contractor of the contractor's obligations under this contract and the Regulations relative to nondiscrimination on the grounds of race, color, or national origin.
- 3.4. **Information and Reports:** The contractor shall provide all information and reports required by the Regulations or directives issued pursuant thereto, and shall permit access to its books, records, accounts, other sources of information, and its facilities as may be determined by the Recipient or the Texas Department of Transportation to be pertinent to ascertain compliance with such Regulations, orders and instructions. Where any information required of a contractor is in the exclusive possession of another who fails or refuses to furnish this information the contractor shall so certify to the Recipient, or the Texas Department of Transportation as appropriate, and shall set forth what efforts it has made to obtain the information.

3.5. **Sanctions for Noncompliance.** In the event of the contractor's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination provisions of this contract, the Recipient shall impose such contract sanctions as it or the Texas Department of Transportation may determine to be appropriate, including, but not limited to:

- withholding of payments to the contractor under the contract until the contractor complies, and/or
- cancellation, termination or suspension of the contract, in whole or in part.

3.6. **Incorporation of Provisions.** The contractor shall include the provisions of paragraphs (1) through (6) in every subcontract, including procurements of materials and leases of equipment, unless exempt by the Regulations, or directives issued pursuant thereto. The contractor shall take such action with respect to any subcontract or procurement as the Recipient or the Texas Department of Transportation may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions including sanctions for non-compliance: Provided, however, that, in the event a contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or supplier as a result of such direction, the contractor may request the Recipient to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the Recipient, and, in addition, the contractor may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

Special Provision to Item 000

Certification of Nondiscrimination in Employment



1. GENERAL

By signing this proposal, the Bidder certifies that he has participated in a previous contract or subcontract subject to the equal opportunity clause, as required by Executive Orders 10925, 11114, or 11246, or if he has not participated in a previous contract of this type, or if he has had previous contract or subcontracts and has not filed, he will file with the Joint Reporting Committee, the Director of the Office of Federal Contract Compliance, a Federal Government contracting or administering agency, or the former President's Committee on Equal Employment Opportunity, all reports due under the applicable filing requirements.

Note—The above certification is required by the Equal Employment Opportunity Regulations of the Secretary of Labor (41 CFR 60-1.7(b)(1)), and must be submitted by Bidders and proposed subcontractors only in connection with contracts and subcontracts which are subject to the equal opportunity clause. Contracts and subcontracts which are exempt from the equal opportunity clause are set forth in 41 CFR 60-1.5. (Generally only contracts or subcontracts of \$10,000 or under are exempt.)

Currently, Standard Form 100 (EEO-1) is the only report required by the Executive Orders or their implementing regulations.

Proposed prime contractors and subcontractors who have participated in a previous contract or subcontract subject to the Executive Orders and have not filed the required reports should note that 41 CFR 60-1.7(b)(1) prevents the award of contracts and subcontracts unless such contractor submits a report covering the delinquent period or such other period specified by the Federal Highway Administration or by the Director, Office of Federal Contract Compliance, U.S. Department of Labor.

Special Provision to Item 000

Notice of Requirement for Affirmative Action to Ensure Equal Employment Opportunity (Executive Order 11246)



1. GENERAL

In addition to the affirmative action requirements of the Special Provision titled "Standard Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Construction Contract Specifications" as set forth elsewhere in this proposal, the Bidder's attention is directed to the specific requirements for utilization of minorities and females as set forth below.

2. GOALS

2.1. Goals for minority and female participation are hereby established in accordance with 41 CFR 60-4.

2.2. The goals for minority and female participation expressed in percentage terms for the Contractor's aggregate work force in each trade on all construction work in the covered area are as follows:

Goals for minority participation in each trade, %	Goals for female participation in each trade, %
See Table 1	6.9

2.3. These goals are applicable to all the Contractor's construction work (whether or not it is Federal or federally assisted) performed in the covered area. If the Contractor performs construction work in a geographical area located outside of the covered area, it will apply the goals established for such geographical area where the work is actually performed. With regard to this second area, the Contractor also is subject to the goals for both its federally involved and non-federally involved construction. The Contractor's compliance with the Executive Order and the regulations in 41 CFR Part 60-4 will be based on its implementation of the Standard Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Construction Contract Specifications Special Provision and its efforts to meet the goals. The hours of minority and female employment and training must be substantially uniform throughout the length of the Contract, and in each trade, and the Contractor must make a good faith effort to employ minorities and women evenly on each of its projects. The transfer of minority and female employees or trainees from Contractor to Contractor or from project to project for the sole purpose of meeting the Contractor's goals will be a violation of the Contract, the Executive Order and the regulations in 41 CFR Part 60-4. Compliance with the goals will be measured against the total work hours performed.

2.4. A Contractor or subcontractor will be considered in compliance with these provisions by participation in the Texas Highway-Heavy Branch, AGC, Statewide Training and Affirmative Action Plan. Provided that each Contractor or subcontractor participating in this plan must individually comply with the equal opportunity clause set forth in 41 CFR 60-1.4 and must make a good faith effort to achieve the goals set forth for each participating trade in the plan in which it has employees. The overall good performance of other Contractors and subcontractors toward a goal in an approved plan does not excuse any covered Contractor's or subcontractor's failure to make good faith efforts to achieve the goals contained in these provisions. Contractors or subcontractors participating in the plan must be able to demonstrate their participation and document their compliance with the provisions of this Plan.

3. SUBCONTRACTING

The Contractor must provide written notification to the Department within 10 working days of award of any construction subcontract in excess of \$10,000 at any tier for construction work under the Contract resulting from this solicitation pending concurrence of the Department in the award. The notification will list the names,

address and telephone number of the subcontractor; employer identification number; estimated dollar amount of the subcontract; estimated starting and completion dates of the subcontract; and the geographical area in which the Contract is to be performed.

4. COVERED AREA

As used in this special provision, and in the Contract resulting from this solicitation, the geographical area covered by these goals for female participation is the State of Texas. The geographical area covered by these goals for other minorities are the counties in the State of Texas as indicated in Table 1.

5. REPORTS

The Contractor is hereby notified that he may be subject to the Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs (OFCCP) reporting and record keeping requirements as provided for under Executive Order 11246 as amended. OFCCP will provide direct notice to the Contractor as to the specific reporting requirements that he will be expected to fulfill.

Table 1
Goals for Minority Participation

County	Participation, %	County	Participation, %
Anderson	22.5	Chambers	27.4
Andrews	18.9	Cherokee	22.5
Angelina	22.5	Childress	11.0
Aransas	44.2	Clay	12.4
Archer	11.0	Cochran	19.5
Armstrong	11.0	Coke	20.0
Atascosa	49.4	Coleman	10.9
Austin	27.4	Collin	18.2
Bailey	19.5	Collingsworth	11.0
Bandera	49.4	Colorado	27.4
Bastrop	24.2	Comal	47.8
Baylor	11.0	Comanche	10.9
Bee	44.2	Concho	20.0
Bell	16.4	Cooke	17.2
Bexar	47.8	Coryell	16.4
Blanco	24.2	Cottle	11.0
Borden	19.5	Crane	18.9
Bosque	18.6	Crockett	20.0
Bowie	19.7	Crosby	19.5
Brazoria	27.3	Culberson	49.0
Brazos	23.7	Dallam	11.0
Brewster	49.0	Dallas	18.2
Briscoe	11.0	Dawson	19.5
Brooks	44.2	Deaf Smith	11.0
Brown	10.9	Delta	17.2
Burleson	27.4	Denton	18.2
Burnet	24.2	DeWitt	27.4
Caldwell	24.2	Dickens	19.5
Calhoun	27.4	Dimmit	49.4
Callahan	11.6	Donley	11.0
Cameron	71.0	Duval	44.2
Camp	20.2	Eastland	10.9
Carson	11.0	Ector	15.1
Cass	20.2	Edwards	49.4
Castro	11.0	Ellis	18.2

County	Participation, %	County	Participation, %
El Paso	57.8	Kenedy	44.2
Erath	17.2	Kent	10.9
Falls	18.6	Kerr	49.4
Fannin	17.2	Kimble	20.0
Fayette	27.4	King	19.5
Fisher	10.9	Kinney	49.4
Floyd	19.5	Kleberg	44.2
Foard	11.0	Knox	10.9
Fort Bend	27.3	Lamar	20.2
Franklin	17.2	Lamb	19.5
Freestone	18.6	Lampasas	18.6
Frio	49.4	LaSalle	49.4
Gaines	19.5	Lavaca	27.4
Galveston	28.9	Lee	24.2
Garza	19.5	Leon	27.4
Gillespie	49.4	Liberty	27.3
Glasscock	18.9	Limestone	18.6
Goliad	27.4	Lipscomb	11.0
Gonzales	49.4	Live Oak	44.2
Gray	11.0	Llano	24.2
Grayson	9.4	Loving	18.9
Gregg	22.8	Lubbock	19.6
Grimes	27.4	Lynn	19.5
Guadalupe	47.8	Madison	27.4
Hale	19.5	Marion	22.5
Hall	11.0	Martin	18.9
Hamilton	18.6	Mason	20.0
Hansford	11.0	Matagorda	27.4
Hardeman	11.0	Maverick	49.4
Hardin	22.6	McCulloch	20.0
Harris	27.3	McLennan	20.7
Harrison	22.8	McMullen	49.4
Hartley	11.0	Medina	49.4
Haskell	10.9	Menard	20.0
Hays	24.1	Midland	19.1
Hemphill	11.0	Milam	18.6
Henderson	22.5	Mills	18.6
Hidalgo	72.8	Mitchell	10.9
Hill	18.6	Montague	17.2
Hockley	19.5	Montgomery	27.3
Hood	18.2	Moore	11.0
Hopkins	17.2	Morris	20.2
Houston	22.5	Motley	19.5
Howard	18.9	Nacogdoches	22.5
Hudspeth	49.0	Navarro	17.2
Hunt	17.2	Newton	22.6
Hutchinson	11.0	Nolan	10.9
Irion	20.0	Nueces	41.7
Jack	17.2	Ochiltree	11.0
Jackson	27.4	Oldham	11.0
Jasper	22.6	Orange	22.6
Jeff Davis	49.0	Palo Pinto	17.2
Jefferson	22.6	Panola	22.5
Jim Hogg	49.4	Parker	18.2
Jim Wells	44.2	Parmer	11.0
Johnson	18.2	Pecos	18.9
Jones	11.6	Polk	27.4
Karnes	49.4	Potter	9.3
Kaufman	18.2	Presidio	49.0
Kendall	49.4	Randall	9.3

County	Participation, %	County	Participation, %
Rains	17.2	Reagan	20.0
Real	49.4	Throckmorton	10.9
Red River	20.2	Titus	20.2
Reeves	18.9	Tom Green	19.2
Refugio	44.2	Travis	24.1
Roberts	11.0	Trinity	27.4
Robertson	27.4	Tyler	22.6
Rockwall	18.2	Upshur	22.5
Runnels	20.0	Upton	18.9
Rusk	22.5	Uvalde	49.4
Sabine	22.6	Val Verde	49.4
San Augustine	22.5	Van Zandt	17.2
San Jacinto	27.4	Victoria	27.4
San Patricio	41.7	Walker	27.4
San Saba	20.0	Waller	27.3
Schleicher	20.0	Ward	18.9
Scurry	10.9	Washington	27.4
Shackelford	10.9	Webb	87.3
Shelby	22.5	Wharton	27.4
Sherman	11.0	Wheeler	11.0
Smith	23.5	Wichita	12.4
Somervell	17.2	Wilbarger	11.0
Starr	72.9	Willacy	72.9
Stephens	10.9	Williamson	24.1
Sterling	20.0	Wilson	49.4
Stonewall	10.9	Winkler	18.9
Sutton	20.0	Wise	18.2
Swisher	11.0	Wood	22.5
Tarrant	18.2	Yoakum	19.5
Taylor	11.6	Young	11.0
Terrell	20.0	Zapata	49.4
Terry	19.5	Zavala	49.4

Special Provision to Item 000

Standard Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Construction Contract Specifications (Executive Order 11246)



1. GENERAL

1.1. As used in these specifications:

- "Covered area" means the geographical area described in the solicitation from which this Contract resulted;
- "Director" means Director, Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, United States Department of Labor, or any person to whom the Director delegates authority;
- "Employer identification number" means the Federal Social Security number used on the Employer's Quarterly Federal Tax Return, U.S. Treasury Department Form 941.
- "Minority" includes:
 - Black (all persons having origins in any of the Black African racial groups not of Hispanic origin);
 - Hispanic (all persons of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central or South American or other Spanish Culture or origin, regardless of race);
 - Asian and Pacific Islander (all persons having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, the Indian Subcontinent, or the Pacific Islands); and
 - American Indian or Alaskan Native (all persons having origins in any of the original peoples of North American and maintaining identifiable tribal affiliations through membership and participation or community identification).

1.2. Whenever the Contractor, or any Subcontractor at any tier, subcontracts a portion of the work involving any construction trade, it will physically include in each subcontract in excess of \$10,000 the provisions of these specifications and the Notice which contains the applicable goals for minority and female participation and which is set forth in the solicitations from which this Contract resulted.

1.3. If the Contractor is participating (pursuant to 41 CFR 60-4.5) in a Hometown Plan approved by the U. S. Department of Labor in the covered area either individually or through an association, its affirmative action obligations on all work in the Plan area (including goals and timetables) will be in accordance with that plan for those trades which have unions participating in the Plan. Contractors must be able to demonstrate their participation in and compliance with the provisions of any such Hometown Plan. Each Contractor or Subcontractor participating in an approved Plan is individually required to comply with its obligations under the equal employment opportunity (EEO) clause, and to make a good faith effort to achieve each goal under the Plan in each trade in which it has employees. The overall good faith performance by other Contractors or Subcontractors toward a goal in an approved Plan does not excuse any covered Contractor's or Subcontractor's failure to take good faith efforts to achieve the Plan goals and timetables.

1.4. The Contractor will implement the specific affirmative action standards provided in Section 1.7.1. through Section 1.7.16. of these specifications. The goals set forth in the solicitation from which this Contract resulted are expressed as percentages of the total hours of employment and training of minority and female utilization the Contractor should reasonably be able to achieve in each construction trade in which it has employees in the covered area. Covered construction Contractors performing Contracts in geographical areas where they do not have a Federal or federally assisted construction Contract will apply the minority and female goals established for the geographical area where the Contract is being performed. Goals are published periodically in the Federal Register in notice form and such notices may be obtained from any Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs office or any Federal procurement contracting officer. The

Contractor is expected to make substantially uniform progress toward its goals in each craft during the period specified.

- 1.5. Neither the provisions of any collective bargaining agreement, nor the failure by a union with whom the Contractor has a collective bargaining agreement, to refer either minorities or women will excuse the Contractor's obligations under these specifications, Executive Order 11246, or the regulations promulgated pursuant thereto.
- 1.6. In order for the nonworking training hours of apprentices and trainees to be counted in meeting the goals, such apprentices and trainees must be employed by the Contractor during the training period, and the Contractor must have made a commitment to employ the apprentices and trainees at the completion of their training, subject to the availability of employment opportunities. Trainees must be trained pursuant to training programs approved by the U. S. Department of Labor.
- 1.7. The Contractor will take specific affirmative actions to ensure equal employment opportunity. The evaluation of the Contractor's compliance with these specifications will be based upon its effort to achieve maximum results from its actions. The Contractor will document these efforts fully, and will implement affirmative action steps at least as extensive as the following:
 - 1.7.1. Ensure and maintain a working environment free of harassment, intimidation, and coercion at all sites, and in all facilities at which the Contractor's employees are assigned to work. The Contractor, where possible, will assign two or more women to each construction project. The Contractor will specifically ensure that all foremen, superintendents, and other on-site supervisory personnel are aware of and carry out the Contractor's obligation to maintain such a working environment, with specific attention to minority or female individuals working at such sites or in such facilities.
 - 1.7.2. Establish and maintain a current list of minority and female recruitment sources, provide written notification to minority and female recruitment sources and to community organizations when the Contractor or its unions have employment opportunities available, and maintain a record of the organizations' responses.
 - 1.7.3. Maintain a current file of the names, addresses and telephone numbers of each minority and female off-the-street applicant and minority or female referral from a union, a recruitment source or community organization and of what action was taken with respect to each such individual. If such individual was sent to the union hiring hall for referral and was not referred back to the Contractor by the union or, if referred, not employed by the Contractor, this will be documented in the file with the reason therefor, along with whatever additional actions the Contractor may have taken.
 - 1.7.4. Provide immediate written notification to the Director when the union or unions with which the Contractor has a collective bargaining agreement has not referred to the Contractor a minority person or woman sent by the Contractor, or when the Contractor has other information that the union referral Process has impeded the Contractor's efforts to meet its obligations.
 - 1.7.5. Develop on-the-job training opportunities and/or participate in training programs for the area which expressly include minorities and women, including upgrading programs and apprenticeship and trainee programs relevant to the Contractor's employment needs, especially those programs funded or approved by the Department of Labor. The Contractor will provide notice of these programs to the sources compiled under 7b above.
 - 1.7.6. Disseminate the Contractor's EEO policy by providing notice of the policy to unions and training programs and requesting their cooperation in assisting the Contractor in meeting its EEO obligations; by including it in any policy manual and Collective bargaining agreement; by publicizing it in the company newspaper, annual report, etc.; by specific review of the policy with all management personnel and with all minority and female employees at least once a year; and by posting the company EEO policy on bulletin boards accessible to all employees at each location where construction work is performed.
 - 1.7.7. Review, at least annually, the company's EEO policy and affirmative action obligations under these specifications with all employees having any responsibility for hiring, assignment, layoff, termination or other

employment decisions including specific review of these items with on-site supervisory personnel such as Superintendents, General Foremen, etc., before the initiation of construction work at any job site. A written record must be made and maintained identifying the time and place of these meetings, persons attending, subject matter discussed, and disposition of the subject matter.

- 1.7.8. Disseminate the Contractor's EEO policy externally by including it in any advertising in the news media, specifically including minority and female news media, and providing written notification to and discussing the Contractor's EEO policy with other Contractors and Subcontractors with whom the Contractor does or anticipates doing business.
- 1.7.9. Direct its recruitment efforts, both oral and written, to minority, female and community organizations, to schools with minority and female students and to minority and female recruitment and training organizations serving the Contractor's recruitment area and employment needs. Not later than one month before the date for the acceptance of applications for apprenticeship or other training by any recruitment source, the Contractor will send written notification to organizations such as the above, describing the openings, screening procedures, and tests to be used in the selection process.
- 1.7.10. Encourage present minority and female employees to recruit other minority persons and women and, where reasonable, provide after school, summer and vacation employment to minority and female youth both on the site and in other areas of a Contractor's workforce.
- 1.7.11. Validate all tests and other selection requirements where there is an obligation to do so under 41 CFR Part 60-3.
- 1.7.12. Conduct, at least annually, an inventory and evaluation at least of all minority and female personnel for promotional opportunities and encourage these employees to seek or to prepare for, through appropriate training, etc., such opportunities.
- 1.7.13. Ensure that seniority practices, job classifications, work assignments and other personnel practices, do not have a discriminatory effect by continually monitoring all personnel and employment-related activities to ensure that the EEO policy and the Contractor's obligations under these specifications are being carried out.
- 1.7.14. Ensure that all facilities and company activities are non-segregated except that separate or single-user toilet and necessary changing facilities will be provided to assure privacy between the sexes.
- 1.7.15. Document and maintain a record of all solicitations of offers for subcontracts from minority and female construction contractors and suppliers, including circulation of solicitations to minority and female contractor associations and other business associations.
- 1.7.16. Conduct a review, at least annually, of all supervisors' adherence to and performance under the Contractor's EEO policies and affirmative action obligations.
- 1.8. Contractors are encouraged to participate in voluntary associations which assist in fulfilling one or more of their affirmative action obligations (Section 7.1. through Section 7.16.). The efforts of a contractor association, joint contractor-union, contractor-community, or other similar group of which the Contractor is a member and participant, may be asserted as fulfilling any one or more of its obligations under Section 7.1. through Section 7.16. of these Specifications provided that the Contractor actively participates in the group, makes every effort to assure that the group has a positive impact on the employment of minorities and women in the industry, ensures that the concrete benefits of the program are reflected in the Contractor's minority and female workforce participation, makes a good faith effort to meet its individual goals and timetables, and can provide access to documentation which demonstrates the effectiveness of actions taken on behalf of the Contractor. The obligation to comply, however, is the Contractor's and failure of such a group to fulfill an obligation will not be a defense for the Contractor's noncompliance.
- 1.9. A single goal for minorities and a separate single goal for women have been established. The Contractor, however, is required to provide equal employment opportunity and to take affirmative action for all minority groups, both male and female, and all women, both minority and non-minority. Consequently, the Contractor

may be in violation of the Executive Order if a particular group is employed in a substantially disparate manner (for example, even though the Contractor has achieved its goals for women generally, the Contractor may be in violation of the Executive Order if a specific minority group of women is underutilized).

- 1.10. The Contractor shall not use the goals and timetables or affirmative action standards to discriminate against any person because of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin.
- 1.11. The Contractor will not enter into any Subcontract with any person or firm debarred from Government Contracts pursuant to Executive Order 11246.
- 1.12. The Contractor will carry out such sanctions and penalties for violation of these specifications and of the Equal Opportunity Clause, including suspension, termination and cancellation of existing subcontracts as may be imposed or ordered pursuant to Executive Order 11246, as amended, and its implementing regulations, by the Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs. Any Contractor who fails to carry out such sanctions and penalties will be in violation of these specifications and Executive Order 11246, as amended.
- 1.13. The Contractor, in fulfilling its obligations under these specifications, will implement specific affirmative action steps, at least as extensive as those standards prescribed in paragraph 7 of these specifications, so as to achieve maximum results from its efforts to ensure equal employment opportunity. If the Contractor fails to comply with the requirements of the Executive Order, the implementing regulations, or these specifications, the Director will proceed in accordance with 41 CFR 60-4.8.
- 1.14. The Contractor will designate a responsible official to monitor all employment-related activity to ensure that the company EEO policy is being carried out, to submit reports relating to the provisions hereof as may be required by the Government and to keep records. Records must at least include for each employee the name, address, telephone numbers, construction trade, union affiliation if any, employee identification number when assigned, social security number, race, sex, status (e.g., mechanic, apprentice, trainee, helper, or laborer), dates of changes in status, hours worked per week in the indicated trade, rate of pay, and locations at which the work was performed. Records must be maintained in an easily understandable and retrievable form; however, to the degree that existing records satisfy this requirement, Contractors shall not be required to maintain separate records.
- 1.15. Nothing herein provided will be construed as a limitation upon the application of other laws which establish different standards of compliance or upon the application of requirements for the hiring of local or other area residents (e.g., those under the Public Works Employment Act of 1977 and the Community Development Block Grant Program).
- 1.16. In addition to the reporting requirements set forth elsewhere in this Contract, the Contractor and the subcontractors holding subcontracts, not including material suppliers, of \$10,000 or more, will submit for every month of July during which work is performed, employment data as contained under Form PR 1391 (Appendix C to 23 CFR, Part 230), and in accordance with the included instructions.

Special Provision to Item 000

On-the-Job Training Program



1. DESCRIPTION

The primary objective of this Special Provision is the training and advancement of minorities, women and economically disadvantaged persons toward journeyworker status. Accordingly, make every effort to enroll minority, women and economically disadvantaged persons to the extent that such persons are available within a reasonable area of recruitment. This training commitment is not intended, and will not be used to discriminate against any applicant for training, whether or not he/she is a member of a minority group.

2. TRAINEE ASSIGNMENT

Training assignments are based on the past volume of state-let highway construction contracts awarded with the Department. Contractors meeting the selection criteria will be notified of their training assignment at the beginning of the reporting year by the Department's Office of Civil Rights.

3. PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

Fulfill all of the requirements of the On-the-Job Training Program including the maintenance of records and submittal of periodic reports documenting program performance. Trainees will be paid at least 60% of the appropriate minimum journeyworker's rate specified in the Contract for the first half of the training period, 75% for the third quarter, and 90% for the last quarter, respectively.

4. REIMBURSEMENT

If requested, Contractors may be reimbursed \$0.80 per training hour at no additional cost to the Department. Training may occur on this project, all other Department contracts, or local-administered federal-aid projects with concurrence of the local government entity. However, reimbursement for training is not available on projects to the extent that such projects that do not contain federal funds.

5. COMPLIANCE

The Contractor will have fulfilled the contractual responsibilities by having provided acceptable training to the number of trainees specified in their goal assignment. Noncompliance may be cause for corrective and appropriate measures pursuant to Article 8.7., "Abandonment of Work or Default of Contract," which may be used to comply with the sanctions for noncompliance pursuant to 23 CFR Part 230.

Special Provision to Item 000

Americans with Disabilities Act Curb Ramp Workshop



Before starting work, schedule and attend a mandatory preconstruction Americans with Disabilities Act curb ramp workshop. The workshop will be administered by the Department, will be four hours or less, and will be held during normal working hours at an approved location in proximity to the project.

Supervisory personnel responsible for control of the work must attend the workshop.

The Department will provide workshop facilitators and facilities. No direct compensation will be made for fulfilling these requirements, as this workshop is considered subsidiary to the Items of the Contract.

Special Provision 000

Certificate of Interested Parties (Form 1295)



Submit a notarized Form 1295, "Certificate of Interested Parties," in the following instances:

- at Contract execution for Contracts awarded by the Commission;
- at Contract execution for Contracts awarded by the District Engineer or Chief Engineer with an award amount of \$1,000,000 or more; at any time an existing Contract awarded by the District Engineer or Chief Engineer increases in value to \$1,000,000 or more due to changes in the Contract; at any time there is an increase of \$1,000,000 or more to an existing Contract (change orders, extensions, and renewals); or
- at any time there is a change to the information in Form 1295, when the form was filed for an existing Contract.

Form 1295 and instructions on completing and filing the form are available on the Texas Ethics Commission website.

Special Provision 000

Important Notice to Contractors



For Dollar Amount of Original Contract		Dollar Amount of Daily Contract Administration Liquidated Damages per Working Day
From More Than	To and including	
0	1,000,000	618
1,000,000	3,000,000	832
3,000,000	5,000,000	940
5,000,000	15,000,000	1317
15,000,000	25,000,000	1718
25,000,000	50,000,000	2411
50,000,000	Over 50,000,000	4265

In addition to the amount shown in Table 1, the Liquidated Damages will be increased by the amount shown in Item 8 of the General Notes for Road User Cost (RUC), when applicable.

Special Provision 000

Important Notice to Contractors



As of June 26, 2024, railroad agreement within the project limits have not been cleared. The Department anticipates clearance by the dates listed below. Unless otherwise stated, clearance of these obstructions will be performed by their owners. Estimated clearance dates are not anticipated to interfere with the Contractor's operations. In the event the clearance dates are not met, requests for additional compensation or time will be made in accordance with the Standard Specifications.

The Contractor is invited to review the mapped information of obstructions on file with the Engineer.

Railroad Company	Crossing Location (STA)	Dot No.	Estimated Execution Date	Phase Impacted	Phase Start Date	Effect Of Construction
BNSF	60+33	022627X	September 2024	P2	November 2025	No effect

Special Provision 000

Cargo Preference Act Requirements in Federal Aid Contracts



1. DESCRIPTION

All recipients of federal financial assistance are required to comply with the U.S. Department of Transportation's (DOT) Cargo Preference Act Requirements, 46 CFR Part 381, Use of United States-Flag Vessels.

This requirement applies to material or equipment that is acquired specifically for a Federal-aid highway project. It is not applicable to goods or materials that come into inventories independent of a Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) funded contract.

When oceanic shipments are necessary for materials or equipment acquired for a specific Federal-aid construction project, the contractor agrees to:

- Utilize privately owned United States-flag commercial vessels to ship at least 50 percent of the gross tonnage (computed separately for dry bulk carriers, dry cargo liners, and tankers) involved, whenever shipping any equipment, material, or commodities pursuant to this contract, to the extent such vessels are available at fair and reasonable rates for United States-flag commercial vessels.
- Furnish a legible copy of a rated, on-board commercial ocean bill-of-lading in English for each shipment of cargo described in paragraph (b) (1) of 46 CFR Part 381 Section 7, "Federal Grant, Guaranty, Loan and Advance of Funds Agreements," within 20 days following the date of loading for shipments originating within the United States or within 30 working days following the date of loading for shipments originating outside the United States, to both the Engineer (through the prime contractor in the case of subcontractor bills-of-lading) and to the Division of National Cargo, Office of Market Development, Maritime Administration, Washington, DC 20590.
- Insert the substance of the provisions of this clause in all subcontracts issued pursuant to this contract.

Special Provision to Item 000

Disadvantaged Business Enterprise in Federal-Aid Contracts



1. DESCRIPTION

The purpose of this Special Provision is to carry out the U.S. Department of Transportation's (DOT) policy of ensuring nondiscrimination in the award and administration of DOT-assisted Contracts and creating a level playing field on which firms owned and controlled by individuals who are determined to be socially and economically disadvantaged can compete fairly for DOT-assisted Contracts.

2. DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE IN FEDERAL-AID CONTRACTS

2.1. **Policy.** It is the policy of the DOT and the Texas Department of Transportation (Department) that DBEs, as defined in 49 CFR Part 26, Subpart A, and the Department's DBE Program, will have the opportunity to participate in the performance of Contracts financed in whole or in part with federal funds. The DBE requirements of 49 CFR Part 26, and the Department's DBE Program, apply to this Contract as follows.

The Contractor will solicit DBEs through reasonable and available means, as defined in 49 CFR Part 26, Appendix A, and the Department's DBE Program, or show a good faith effort to meet the DBE goal for this Contract.

The Contractor, subrecipient, or subcontractor will not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the performance of this Contract. Carry out applicable requirements of 49 CFR Part 26 in the award and administration of DOT-assisted Contracts. Failure to carry out these requirements is a material breach of this Contract, which may result in the termination of this Contract or such other remedy as the Department deems appropriate.

The requirements of this Special Provision must be physically included in any subcontract.

By signing the Contract proposal, the Bidder is certifying that the DBE goal as stated in the proposal will be met by obtaining commitments from eligible DBEs or that the Bidder will provide acceptable evidence of good faith effort to meet the commitment.

2.2. Definitions.

2.2.1. **Administrative Reconsideration.** A process by which the low bidder may request reconsideration when the Department determines the good faith effort (GFE) requirements have not been met.

2.2.2. **Commercially Useful Function (CUF).** A CUF occurs when a DBE has the responsibility for the execution of the work and carrying out such responsibilities by actually performing, managing, and supervising the work.

2.2.3. **Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE).** A for-profit small business certified through the Texas Unified Certification Program in accordance with 49 CFR Part 26, that is at least 51% owned by one or more socially and economically disadvantaged individuals, or in the case of a publicly owned business, in which is at least 51% of the stock is owned by one or more socially and economically disadvantaged individuals, and whose management and daily business operations are controlled by one or more of the individuals who own it.

2.2.4. **DBE Joint Venture.** An association of a DBE firm and one or more other firms to carry out a single business enterprise for profit for which purpose they combine their property, capital, efforts, skills, and knowledge, and

in which the DBE is responsible for a distinct, clearly defined portion of the work of the Contract and whose share in the capital contribution, control, management, risks, and profits of the joint venture are commensurate with its ownership interest.

- 2.2.5. **DOT.** The U.S. Department of Transportation, including the Office of the Secretary, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), and the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA).
- 2.2.6. **Federal-Aid Contract.** Any Contract between the Department and a Contractor that is paid for in whole or in part with DOT financial assistance.
- 2.2.7. **Good Faith Effort.** All necessary and reasonable steps to achieve the contract goal which, by their scope, intensity, and appropriateness to the objective, could reasonably be expected to obtain sufficient DBE participation, even if not fully successful. Good faith efforts are evaluated prior to award and throughout performance of the Contract. For guidance on good faith efforts, see 49 CFR Part 26, Appendix A.
- 2.2.8. **North American Industry Classification System (NAICS).** A designation that best describes the primary business of a firm. The NAICS is described in the North American Industry Classification Manual—United States, which is available on the Internet at the U.S. Census Bureau website: <http://www.census.gov/eos/www/naics/>.
- 2.2.9. **Race-Conscious.** A measure or program that is focused specifically on assisting only DBEs, including women-owned businesses.
- 2.2.10. **Race-Neutral DBE Participation.** Any participation by a DBE through customary competitive procurement procedures.
- 2.2.11. **Texas Unified Certification Program (TUCP) Directory.** An online directory listing all DBEs currently certified by the TUCP. The Directory identifies DBE firms whose participation on a Contract may be counted toward achievement of the assigned DBE Contract goal.
- 2.3. **Contractor's Responsibilities.**
- 2.3.1. **DBE Liaison Officer.** Designate a DBE liaison officer who will administer the Contractor's DBE program and who will be responsible for maintenance of records of efforts and contacts made to subcontract with DBEs.
- 2.3.2. **Compliance Tracking System (CTS).** This Contract is subject to electronic Contract compliance tracking. Contractors and DBEs are required to provide any noted and requested Contract compliance-related data electronically in the Department's tracking system. This includes commitments, payments, substitutions, and good faith efforts. Contractors and DBEs are responsible for responding by any noted response date or due date to any instructions or request for information, and to check the system on a regular basis. A Contractor is responsible for ensuring all DBEs have completed all requested items and that their contact information is accurate and up-to-date. The Department may require additional information related to the Contract to be provided electronically through the system at any time before, during, or after contract award. The system is web-based and can be accessed at the following Internet address: <https://txdot.txdotcms.com/>.
- In its sole discretion, the Department may require that contract compliance tracking data be submitted by Contractors and DBEs in an alternative format prescribed by the Department.
- 2.3.3. **Apparent Low Bidder.** The apparent low bidder must submit DBE commitments to satisfy the DBE goal or submit good faith effort Form 2603 and supporting documentation demonstrating why the goal could not be achieved, in whole or part, no later than 5 calendar days after bid opening. The means of transmittal and the risk of timely receipt of the information will be the bidder's responsibility and no extension of the 5-calendar-day timeframe will be allowed for any reason.

2.3.4. **DBE Contractor.** A DBE Contractor may receive credit toward the DBE goal for work performed by its own forces and work subcontracted to DBEs. In the event a DBE subcontracts to a non-DBE, that information must be reported monthly.

2.3.5. **DBE Committal.** Only those DBEs certified by the TUCP are eligible to be used for goal attainment. The Department maintains the TUCP DBE Directory. The Directory can be accessed at the following Internet address: <https://txdot.txdotcms.com/FrontEnd/VendorSearchPublic.asp?TN=txdot&XID=2340>.

A DBE must be certified on the day the commitment is considered and at time of subcontract execution. It is the Contractor's responsibility to ensure firms identified for participation are approved certified DBE firms.

The Bidder is responsible to ensure that all submittals are checked for accuracy. Any and all omissions, deletions, and/or errors that may affect the end result of the commitment package are the sole liabilities of the bidder.

Commitments in excess of the goal are considered race-neutral commitments.

2.3.6. **Good Faith Effort Requirements.** A Contractor who cannot meet the Contract goal, in whole or in part, must make adequate good faith efforts to obtain DBE participation as so stated and defined in 49 CFR Part 26, Appendix A.

2.3.6.1. **Administrative Reconsideration.** If the Department determines that the apparent low bidder has failed to satisfy the good faith efforts requirement, the Department will notify the Bidder of the failure and will give the Bidder an opportunity to provide written documentation or argument concerning the issue of whether it met the goal or made adequate good faith efforts to do so..

The Bidder must request an administrative reconsideration of that determination within 3 days of the date of receipt of the notice. The request must be submitted directly to the Texas Department of Transportation, Civil Rights Division, 125 East 11th Street, Austin, Texas 78701-2483.

If a request for administrative reconsideration is not filed within the period specified the determination made is final and further administrative appeal is barred.

If a reconsideration request is timely received, the reconsideration decision will be made by the Department's DBE liaison officer or, if the DBE liaison officer took part in the original determination, the Department's executive director will appoint a department employee to perform the administrative reconsideration. The employee will hold a senior leadership position and will report directly to the executive director.

The meeting or written documentation must be provided or held within 7 days of the date the request was submitted.

The Department will provide to the Bidder a written decision if the Bidder did or did not make adequate good faith efforts to meet the Contract goal. The reconsideration decision is final and is not administratively appealed to DOT.

2.3.7. **Determination of DBE Participation.** The work performed by the DBE must be reasonably construed to be included in the work area and NAICS work code identified by the Contractor in the approved commitment.

Participation by a DBE on a Contract will not be counted toward DBE goals until the amount of the participation has been paid to the DBE.

Payments made to a DBE that was not on the original commitment may be counted toward the Contract goal if that DBE was certified as a DBE before the execution of the subcontract and has performed a Commercially Useful Function.

The total amount paid to the DBE for work performed with its own forces is counted toward the DBE goal. When a DBE subcontracts part of the work of its Contract to another firm, the value of the subcontracted work may be counted toward DBE goals only if the subcontractor is itself a DBE.

DBE Goal credit for the DBE subcontractors leasing of equipment or purchasing of supplies from the Contractor or its affiliates is not allowed. Project materials or supplies acquired from an affiliate of the Contractor cannot directly or indirectly (second or lower tier subcontractor) be used for DBE goal credit.

If a DBE firm is declared ineligible due to DBE decertification after the execution of the DBE's subcontract, the DBE firm may complete the work and the DBE firm's participation will be counted toward the Contract goal. If the DBE firm is decertified before the DBE firm has signed a subcontract, the Contractor is obligated to replace the ineligible DBE firm or demonstrate that it has made good faith efforts to do so.

The Contractor may count 100% of its expenditure to a DBE manufacturer. According to 49 CFR 26.55(e)(1)(i), a DBE manufacturer is a firm that operates or maintains a factory or establishment that produces, on the premises, the materials, supplies, articles, or equipment required under the Contract and of the general character described by the specifications.

The Contractor may count only 60% of its expenditure to a DBE regular dealer. According to 49 CFR 26.55(e)(2)(i), a DBE regular dealer is a firm that owns, operates, or maintains a store, warehouse, or other establishment in which the materials, supplies, articles, or equipment of the general character described by the specifications and required under the Contract are bought, kept in stock, and regularly sold or leased to the public in the usual course of business. A firm may be a regular dealer in such bulk items as petroleum products, steel, cement, gravel, stone, or asphalt without owning, operating, or maintaining a place of business if the firm both owns and operates distribution equipment for the products. Any supplementing of regular dealers' own distribution equipment must be by a long-term lease agreement and not on an ad hoc or contract-by-contract basis. A long-term lease with a third-party transportation company is not eligible for 60% goal credit.

With respect to materials or supplies purchased from a DBE that is neither a manufacturer nor a regular dealer, the Contractor may count the entire amount of fees or commissions charged for assistance in the procurement of the materials and supplies, or fees or transportation charges for the delivery of materials or supplies required on a job site.

A Contractor may count toward its DBE goal a portion of the total value of the Contract amount paid to a DBE joint venture equal to the distinct, clearly defined portion of the work of the Contract performed by the DBE.

2.3.8. **Commercially Useful Function.** It is the Contractor's obligation to ensure that each DBE used on federal-assisted contracts performs a commercially useful function on the Contract.

The Department will monitor performance during the Contract to ensure each DBE is performing a CUF.

Under the terms established in 49 CFR 26.55, a DBE performs a CUF when it is responsible for execution of the work of the Contract and is carrying out its responsibilities by actually performing, managing, and supervising the work involved.

With respect to material and supplies used on the Contract, a DBE must be responsible for negotiating price, determining quality and quantity, ordering the material, installing the material, if applicable, and paying for the material itself.

With respect to trucking, the DBE trucking firm must own and operate at least one fully licensed, insured, and operational truck used on the Contract. The DBE may lease trucks from another DBE firm, including an owner-operator who is certified as a DBE. The DBE who leases trucks from another DBE receives credit for the total value of the transportation services the lessee DBE provides on the Contract. The DBE may also lease trucks from a non-DBE firm, including from an owner-operator. The DBE that leases trucks equipped with drivers from a non-DBE is entitled to credit for the total value of transportation services provided by non-DBE leased trucks equipped with drivers not to exceed the value of transportation services on the Contract.

provided by DBE-owned trucks or leased trucks with DBE employee drivers. Additional participation by non-DBE owned trucks equipped with drivers receives credit only for the fee or commission it receives as a result of the lease arrangement.

A DBE does not perform a CUF when its role is limited to that of an extra participant in a transaction, Contract, or project through which funds are passed in order to obtain the appearance of DBE participation. The Department will evaluate similar transactions involving non-DBEs in order to determine whether a DBE is an extra participant.

If a DBE does not perform or exercise responsibility for at least 30% of the total cost of its Contract with its own work force, or the DBE subcontracts a greater portion of the work than would be expected on the basis of normal industry practice for the type of work involved, the Department will presume that the DBE is not performing a CUF.

If the Department determines that a DBE is not performing a CUF, no work performed by such DBE will count as eligible participation. The denial period of time may occur before or after a determination has been made by the Department.

In case of the denial of credit for non-performance of a CUF, the Contractor will be required to provide a substitute DBE to meet the Contract goal or provide an adequate good faith effort when applicable.

- 2.3.8.1. **Rebuttal of a Finding of No Commercially Useful Function.** Consistent with the provisions of 49 CFR 26.55(c)(4)&(5), before the Department makes a final finding that no CUF has been performed by a DBE, the Department will notify the DBE and provide the DBE the opportunity to provide rebuttal information.

CUF determinations are not subject to administrative appeal to DOT.

- 2.3.9. **Joint Check.** The use of joint checks between a Contractor and a DBE is allowed with Department approval. To obtain approval, the Contractor must submit a completed Form 2178, "DBE Joint Check Approval," to the Department.

The Department will closely monitor the use of joint checks to ensure that such a practice does not erode the independence of the DBE nor inhibit the DBE's ability to perform a CUF. When joint checks are utilized, DBE credit toward the Contract goal will be allowed only when the subcontractor is performing a CUF in accordance with 49 CFR 26.55(c)(1).

Long-term or open-ended joint checking arrangements may be a basis for further scrutiny and may result in the lack of participation towards the Contract goal requirement if DBE independence cannot be established.

Joint checks will not be allowed simply for the convenience of the Contractor.

If the proper procedures are not followed or the Department determines that the arrangements result in a lack of independence for the DBE involved, no credit for the DBE's participation as it relates to the material cost will be used toward the Contract goal requirement, and the Contractor will need to make up the difference elsewhere on the project.

- 2.3.10. **DBE Termination and Substitution.** No DBE named in the commitment submitted under Section 2.3.5. will be terminated for convenience, in whole or part, without the Department's approval. This includes, but is not limited to, instances in which a Contractor seeks to perform work originally designated for a DBE subcontractor with its own forces or those of an affiliate, a non-DBE firm, or with another DBE firm.

Unless consent is provided, the Contractor will not be entitled to any payment for work or material unless it is performed or supplied by the listed DBE.

The Contractor, prior to submitting its request to terminate, must first give written notice to the DBE of its intent to terminate and the reason for the termination. The Contractor will copy the Department on the Notice of Intent to terminate.

The DBE has 5 calendar days to respond to the Contractor's notice and will advise the Contractor and the Department of the reasons, if any, why it objects to the proposed termination of its subcontract and why the Department should not approve the prime Contractor's request for termination.

The Department may provide a shorter response time if required in a particular case as a matter of public necessity.

The Department will consider both the Contractor's request and DBE's stated position prior to approving the request. The Department may provide a written approval only if it agrees, for reasons stated in its concurrence document, that the Contractor has good cause to terminate the DBE. If the Department does not approve the request, the Contractor must continue to use the committed DBE firm in accordance with the Contract. For guidance on what good cause includes, see 49 CFR 26.53.

Good cause does not exist if the Contractor seeks to terminate, reduce, or substitute a DBE it relied upon to obtain the Contract so that the Contractor can self-perform the work for which the DBE firm was engaged.

When a DBE subcontractor is terminated, make good faith efforts to find, as a substitute for the original DBE, another DBE to perform, at least to the extent needed to meet the established Contract goal, the work that the original DBE was to have performed under the Contract.

Submit the completed Form 2228, "DBE Termination Substitution Request," within seven (7) days, which may be extended for an additional 7 days if necessary at the request of the Contractor. The Department will provide a written determination to the Contractor stating whether or not good faith efforts have been demonstrated. If the Department determines that good faith efforts were not demonstrated, the Contractor will have the opportunity to appeal the determination to the Civil Rights Division.

- 2.3.11. **Reports and Records.** By the 15th of each month and after work begins, report payments to meet the DBE goal and for DBE race-neutral participation on projects with or without goals. These payment reports will be required until all DBE subcontracting or material supply activity is completed. Negative payment reports are required when no activity has occurred in a monthly period.

Notify the Area Engineer if payment to any DBE subcontractor is withheld or reduced.

Before receiving final payment from the Department, the Contractor must indicate a final payment on the compliance tracking system. The final payment is a summary of all payments made to the DBEs on the project.

All records must be retained for a period of 3 years following completion of the Contract work, and must be available at reasonable times and places for inspection by authorized representatives of the Department or the DOT. Provide copies of subcontracts or agreements and other documentation upon request.

- 2.3.12. **Failure to Comply.** If the Department determines the Contractor has failed to demonstrate good faith efforts to meet the assigned goal, the Contractor will be given an opportunity for reconsideration by the Department.

A Contractor's failure to comply with the requirements of this Special Provision will constitute a material breach of this Contract. In such a case, the Department reserves the right to terminate the Contract; to deduct the amount of DBE goal not accomplished by DBEs from the money due or to become due the Contractor; or to secure a refund, not as a penalty but as liquidated damages, to the Department or such other remedy or remedies as the Department deems appropriate.

- 2.3.13. **Investigations.** The Department may conduct reviews or investigations of participants as necessary. All participants, including, but not limited to, DBEs and complainants using DBE Subcontractors to meet the

Contract goal, are required to cooperate fully and promptly with compliance reviews, investigations, and other requests for information.

2.3.14.

Falsification and Misrepresentation. If the Department determines that a Contractor or subcontractor was a knowing and willing participant in any intended or actual subcontracting arrangement contrived to artificially inflate DBE participation or any other business arrangement determined by the Department to be unallowable, or if the Contractor engages in repeated violations, falsification, or misrepresentation, the Department may:

- refuse to count any fraudulent or misrepresented DBE participation;
- withhold progress payments to the Contractor commensurate with the violation;
- reduce the Contractor's prequalification status;
- refer the matter to the Office of Inspector General of the US Department of Transportation for investigation; and/or
- seek any other available contractual remedy.

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Important Notice to Contractors



The Contractor's attention is directed to the fact that there are experience requirements associated with the Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) items contained on this project. The Contractor or its subcontractor must provide information to the Engineer that they meet these requirements with the initial submittals for the associated bid items and before installing or testing ITS items. Following are the ITS items and requirements that must be met if the item is on this project.

Category A. Pulling Fiber Optic Cable.

Contractor or subcontractor must meet the following experience requirements:

- three years continuous existence offering services in the installation of fiber optic cable through an outdoor conduit system and terminating in ground boxes, field cabinets or enclosures, or buildings; and
- three completed projects where the personnel pulled fiber optic cable, minimum 5-mi. in length, through an outdoor conduit system for each project. The completed fiber optic cable systems must have been in continuous satisfactory operation for a minimum of 1 yr.

Category B. Splicing and Testing of Fiber Optic Cable.

Contractor or subcontractor must meet the following experience requirements:

- three years continuous existence offering services in the fields of fusion splicing and testing of fiber optic cable installed through a conduit system and terminating in ground boxes, field cabinets or enclosures, or buildings. Experience must include the following:
 - termination of a minimum of 48 fibers within a fiber distribution frame,
 - optical time-domain reflectometer (OTDR) testing and measurement of end-to-end attenuation of single mode and multimode fibers,
 - system troubleshooting and maintenance,
 - training of personnel in system maintenance,
 - use of water-tight splice enclosures, and
 - fusion splicing of fiber optic cable which meet the tolerable dB losses listed in Table 1 below; and

Table 1
Sample Table

Mode	dB Loss Range
Single mode	0.05–0.10
Multimode	0.20–0.30

- three completed projects where the personnel performed fiber optic cable splicing and terminations, system testing, system troubleshooting and maintenance during the course of the project and provided training on system maintenance. Each project must have consisted of a minimum 5-mi. length of fiber optic cable. The completed fiber optic cable systems must have been in continuous satisfactory operation for a minimum of 1 yr.

Category C. System Integration.

Contractor or subcontractor must meet the following experience requirements:

- three years of providing system integration on wire line and wireless projects including, but not limited to, programming of layer-2 Ethernet switches, integrating into existing systems and coordination with traffic management centers; and

- three completed projects requiring system integration and configuration of hardware including but not limited to Ethernet switches, video encoders and decoders, and radios.

Category D. Dynamic Message Sign (DMS) Installation.

Contractor or subcontractor must meet the following experience requirements:

- three years continuous existence offering services in the installation of DMS signs; and
- three completed projects consisting of a minimum of two signs in each project where the personnel installed, integrated, and tested DMS on outdoor, permanently mounted overhead structures and related sign control equipment. The completed sign system installations must have been in continuous satisfactory operation for a minimum of 1 yr.; and
- one project (may be one of the three projects in the preceding paragraph) in which the personnel worked in cooperation with technical representatives of the equipment supplier to perform the installation, integration, or acceptance testing of the work. The Contractor will not be required to furnish equipment on this project from the same supplier who was referenced in the qualification documentation.

Category E. Closed Circuit Television (CCTV) Equipment Installation.

Contractor or subcontractor must meet the following experience requirements:

- three years continuous existence offering services in the installation of CCTV camera systems;
- three completed projects consisting of a minimum of five cameras in each project where the personnel installed, tested, and integrated CCTV cameras on outdoor, permanently mounted structures and related camera control and transmission equipment. The completed CCTV camera system installations must have been in continuous satisfactory operation for a minimum of 1 yr.; and
- one project (may be one of the three projects in the preceding paragraph) in which the personnel worked in cooperation with technical representatives of the equipment supplier to perform installation, integration, or acceptance testing of the work. The Contractor will not be required to furnish equipment on this project from the same supplier who was referenced in the qualification documentation.

Category F. Wireless Communications.

Contractor or subcontractor must meet the following experience requirements:

- three years continuous existence offering services in the installation of wireless communications. Experience must include the following:
 - conducting radio installation studies, which include signal noise studies, spectrum analysis, antenna gain and radio power calculations, system attenuation, and measurement of standing wave ratios;
 - Installation, troubleshooting, and repair of broadband radio systems, which include equipment installation, configuration of radios, antenna calibration, and cabling; and
 - Installation, troubleshooting, and repair of interconnected Ethernet networks (LAN and WAN), which include cabling, switch or router configuration, and network analysis; and
- three projects consisting of wireless communications installation, troubleshooting, and repair. Each project must include transmitting signals over a minimum of 1-mi. distance and installation of a minimum of three devices; and
- one project (may be one of the three projects in the preceding paragraph) in which the personnel worked in cooperation with technical representatives of the equipment supplier to perform installation, integration, or acceptance testing of the work. The Contractor will not be required to furnish equipment on this project from the same supplier who was referenced in the qualification documentation.

Category G. Radar Detection Systems.

Contractor or subcontractor must meet the following experience requirements:

- three years continuous existence offering services in the installation of radar detection systems. Experience must include the following:
 - freeway and arterial management,
 - forward fire and side fire applications,
 - single zone and dual beam detection, and
 - equipment setup, testing, and troubleshooting; and
- three projects consisting of installation, configuration, and setup of radar detection systems; and
- one project (may be one of the three projects in the preceding paragraph) in which the personnel worked in cooperation with technical representatives of the equipment supplier to perform installation, integration, or acceptance testing of the work. The Contractor will not be required to furnish equipment on this project from the same supplier who was referenced in the qualification documentation.

Should the Contractor have subcontractors which meet the above requirements, and should these subcontractors be unable to complete the ITS items contained within the project, the Contractor must resubmit qualification material on alternate subcontractors for approval before the applicable category of work can be continued.

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Notice of Contractor Performance Evaluations



1. GENERAL

In accordance with Texas Transportation Code §223.012, the Engineer will evaluate Contractor performance based on quality, safety, and timeliness of the project.

2. DEFINITIONS

- 2.1. **Project Recovery Plan (PRP)**—a formal, enforceable plan developed by the Contractor, in consultation with the District, that documents the cause of noted quality, safety, and timeliness issues and specifies how the Contractor proposes to correct project-specific performance deficiencies.

In accordance with Title 43, Texas Administrative Code (TAC), §9.23, the District will request a PRP if the Contractor's performance on a project is below the Department's acceptable standards and will monitor the Contractor's compliance with the established plan.

- 2.2. **Corrective Action Plan (CAP)**—a formal, enforceable plan developed by the Contractor, and proposed for adoption by the Construction or Maintenance Division, that documents the cause of noted quality, safety, and timeliness issues and specifies how the Contractor proposes to correct statewide performance deficiencies.

In accordance with 43 TAC §9.23, the Division will request a CAP if the average of the Contractor's statewide final evaluation scores falls below the Department's acceptable standards for the review period and will monitor the Contractor's compliance with the established plan.

3. CONTRACTOR EVALUATIONS

In accordance with Title 43, Texas Administrative Code (TAC) §9.23, the Engineer will schedule evaluations at the following intervals, at minimum:

- Interim evaluations—at or within 30 days after the anniversary of the notice to proceed, for Contracts extending beyond 1 yr., and
- Final evaluation—upon project closeout.

In case of a takeover agreement, neither the Surety nor its performing Contractor will be evaluated.

In addition to regularly scheduled evaluations, the Engineer may schedule an interim evaluation at any time to formally communicate issues with quality, safety, or timeliness. Upon request, work with the Engineer to develop a PRP to document expectations for correcting deficiencies.

Comply with the PRP as directed. Failure to comply with the PRP may result in additional remedial actions available to the Engineer under Item 5, "Control of the Work." Failure to meet a PRP to the Engineer's satisfaction may result in immediate referral to the Performance Review Committee for consideration of further action against the Contractor.

The Engineer will consider and document any events outside the Contractor's control that contributed to the failure to meet performance standards or comply with a PRP, including consideration of sufficient time.

Follow the escalation ladder if there is a disagreement regarding an evaluation or disposition of a PRP. The Contractor may submit additional documentation pertaining to the dispute. The District Engineer's decision

on a Contractor's evaluation score and recommendation of action required in a PRP or follow up for non-compliance is final.

4. DIVISION OVERSIGHT

Upon request of the Construction or Maintenance Division, develop and submit for Division approval a proposed CAP to document expectations for correcting deficiencies in the performance of projects statewide.

Comply with the CAP as directed. The CAP may be modified at any time up to completion or resolution after written approval of the premise of change from the Division. Failure to meet an adopted or revised adopted CAP to the Division's satisfaction within 120 days will result in immediate referral to the Performance Review Committee for consideration of further action against the Contractor.

The Division will consider and document any events outside the Contractor's control that contributed to the failure to meet performance standards or comply with a CAP, including consideration of sufficient time and associated costs as appropriate.

5. PERFORMANCE REVIEW COMMITTEE

The Performance Review Committee, in accordance with 43 TAC §9.24, will review at minimum all final evaluations, history of compliance with PRPs, any adopted CAPs including agreed modifications, any information about events outside a Contractor's control contributing to the Contractor's performance, and any documentation submitted by the Contractor and may recommend one or more of the following actions:

- take no action,
- reduce the Contractor's bidding capacity,
- prohibit the Contractor from bidding on one or more projects,
- immediately suspend the Contractor from bidding for a specified period of time, by reducing the Contractor's bidding capacity to zero, or
- prohibit the Contractor from being awarded a Contract on which they are the apparent low bidder.

The Deputy Executive Director will determine any further action against the Contractor.

6. APPEALS PROCESS

In accordance with 43 TAC §9.25, the Contractor may appeal remedial actions determined by the Deputy Executive Director.

Special Provision to Item 2

Instructions to Bidders



Item 2, "Instructions to Bidders," of the Standard Specifications is amended with respect to the clauses cited below. No other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed.

Article 2.3., "Issuing Proposal Forms," second paragraph, is supplemented by the following.

The Department will not issue a proposal form if one or more of the following apply:

- the Bidder or affiliate of the Bidder that was originally determined as the apparent low Bidder on a project, but was deemed nonresponsive for failure to submit a DBE commitment as specified in Article 2.14., "Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE)," is prohibited from rebidding that specific project.

Article 2.7., "Nonresponsive Bid," is supplemented by the following:

The Department will not accept a nonresponsive bid. A bid that has one or more of the deficiencies listed below is considered nonresponsive:

- the Bidder failed to submit a DBE commitment as specified in Article 2.14., "Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE)."

Article 2.14., "Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE)," is added.

The apparent low bidder must submit DBE commitment information on federally funded projects with DBE goals within 5 calendar days (as defined in 49 CFR Part 26, Subpart A) of bid opening. For a submission that meets the 5-day requirement, administrative corrections will be allowed.

If the apparent low Bidder fails to submit their DBE information within the specified timeframe, they will be deemed nonresponsive and the proposal guaranty will become the property of the State, not as a penalty, but as liquidated damages. The Bidder forfeiting the proposal guaranty will not be considered in future proposals for the same work unless there has been a substantial change in the design of the work. The Department may recommend that the Commission:

- reject all bids, or
- award the Contract to the new apparent low Bidder, if the new apparent low Bidder submits DBE information within one calendar day of notification by the Department.

If the new apparent low Bidder is unable to submit the required DBE information within one calendar day:

- the new apparent low Bidder will not be deemed nonresponsive,
- the new apparent low Bidder's guaranty will not be forfeited,
- the Department will reject all bids, and
- the new apparent low Bidder will remain eligible to receive future proposals for the same project.

Special Provision to Item 2

Instructions to Bidders



Item 2, "Instructions to Bidders" of the Standard Specifications is amended with respect to the clauses cited below. No other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed.

Article 3., "Issuing Proposal Forms," is supplemented by the following:

The Electronic State Business Daily (ESBD), the Integrated Contractor Exchange (iCX) system, and the project proposal are the official sources of advertisement and bidding information for the State and Local Lettings. Bidders should bid the project using the information found therein, including any addenda. These sources take precedence over information from other sources, including TxDOT webpages, which are unofficial and intended for informational purposes only.

Special Provision to Item 2

Instructions to Bidders



Item 2, "Instructions to Bidders," of the Standard Specifications is amended with respect to the clauses cited below. No other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed.

Section 2.8.2., "Proposal Guaranty," third paragraph is replaced by the following.

It is the Bidder's responsibility to ensure the electronic bid bond is issued in the name or Department vendor identification numbers of the Bidder or Bidders.

Special Provision to Item 2

Instructions to Bidders



Item 2, "Instructions to Bidders," of the Standard Specifications is amended with respect to the clauses cited below. No other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed.

Article 2.3., "Issuing Proposal Forms," is supplemented by the following:

- the Bidder or affiliate of the Bidder that was originally determined as the apparent low Bidder on a project but was deemed nonresponsive for failure to register or participate in the Department of Homeland Security's (DHS) E-Verify system as specified in Article 2.15., "Department of Homeland Security (DHS) E-Verify System," is prohibited from rebidding that specific project.

Article 2.7., "Nonresponsive Bid," is supplemented by the following:

- the Bidder failed to participate in the Department of Homeland Security's (DHS) as specified in Article 2.15., "Department of Homeland Security (DHS) E-Verify System."

Article 2.15., "Department of Homeland Security (DHS) E-Verify System," is added.

The Department will not award a Contract to a Contractor that is not registered in the DHS E-Verify system. Remain active in E-Verify throughout the life of the Contract. In addition, in accordance with paragraph six of Article 8.2., "Subcontracting," include this requirement in all subcontracts and require that subcontractors remain active in E-Verify until their work is completed.

If the apparent low Bidder does not appear in the DHS E-Verify system before award, the Contractor must submit documentation showing that they are compliant within 5 calendar days after bid opening. A Contractor that fails to comply or respond within the deadline will be declared nonresponsive. The Bidder forfeiting the proposal guaranty will not be considered in future proposals for the same work unless there has been a substantial change in the scope of the work.

The Department may recommend that the Commission:

- reject all bids, or
- award the Contract to the new apparent low Bidder, if the Department is able to verify the Bidder's participation in the DHS E-Verify system.

If the Department is unable to verify the new apparent low Bidder's participation in the DHS E-Verify system:

- the new apparent low Bidder will not be deemed nonresponsive,
- the new apparent low Bidder's guaranty will not be forfeited,
- the Department will reject all bids,
- the new apparent low Bidder will remain eligible to receive future proposals for the same project, and
- the proposal guaranty of the original low bidder will become the property of the State, not as a penalty, but as liquidated damages.

Special Provision to Item 3 Award and Execution Contract



Item 3, Award and Execution of Contract," of the Standard Specifications is amended with respect to the clauses cited below. No other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed.

Section 4.3, "Insurance." The first sentence is voided and replaced by the following:

For construction and building Contracts, submit a certificate of insurance showing coverages in accordance with Contract requirements. For routine maintenance Contracts, refer to Article 8, "Beginning of Work."

Article 8, "Beginning of Work." The first sentence is supplemented by the following:

For a routine maintenance Contract, do not begin work until a certificate of insurance showing coverages in accordance with the Contract requirements is provided and accepted.

Special Provision to Item 3

Award and Execution of Contract



Item 3, "Award and Execution of Contract" of the Standard Specifications is amended with respect to the clauses cited below. No other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed.

Section 4.3 "Insurance" is being amended by the following:

Table 2
Insurance Requirements

Type of Insurance	Amount of Coverage
Commercial General Liability Insurance	Not Less Than: \$600,000 each occurrence
Business Automobile Policy	Not Less Than: \$600,000 combined single limit
Workers' Compensation	Not Less Than: Statutory
All Risk Builder's Risk Insurance (For building-facilities contracts only)	100% of Contract Price

Special Provision to Item 5

Control of the Work



Item 5, "Control of the Work," of the Standard Specifications is amended with respect to the clauses cited below. No other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed.

Article 5.1, "Authority of Engineer," is voided and replaced by the following.

The Engineer has the authority to observe, test, inspect, approve, and accept the work. The Engineer decides all questions about the quality and acceptability of materials, work performed, work progress, Contract interpretations, and acceptable Contract fulfillment. The Engineer has the authority to enforce and make effective these decisions.

The Engineer acts as a referee in all questions arising under the terms of the Contract. The Engineer's decisions will be final and binding.

The Engineer will pursue and document actions against the Contractor as warranted to address Contract performance issues. Contract remedies include, but are not limited to, the following:

- conducting interim performance evaluations requiring a Project Recovery Plan, in accordance with Title 43, Texas Administrative Code (TAC) §9.23,
- requiring the Contractor to remove and replace defective work, or reducing payment for defective work,
- removing an individual from the project,
- suspending the work without suspending working day charges,
- assessing standard liquidated damages to recover the Department's administrative costs, including additional project-specific liquidated damages when specified in the Contract in accordance with 43 TAC §9.22,
- withholding estimates,
- declaring the Contractor to be in default of the Contract, and
- in case of a Contractor's failure to meet a Project Recovery Plan, referring the issue directly to the Performance Review Committee for consideration of further action against the Contractor in accordance with 43 TAC §9.24.

The Engineer will consider and document any events outside the Contractor's control that contributed to the failure to meet performance standards, including consideration of sufficient time.

Follow the issue escalation ladder if there is disagreement regarding the application of Contract remedies.

Special Provision to Item 5

Control of the Work



Item 5, "Control of the Work" of the Standard Specifications is amended with respect to the clauses cited below. No other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed.

Article 5.4, "Coordination of Plans, Specifications, and Special Provisions," the last sentence of the last paragraph is replaced by the following:

Failure to promptly notify the Engineer will constitute a waiver of all contract claims against the Department for misunderstandings or ambiguities that result from the errors, omissions, or discrepancies.

Special Provision to Item 6

Control of Materials



For this project, Item 6, "Control of Materials," of the Standard Specifications, is hereby amended with respect to the clauses cited below, and no other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed hereby.

Article 4., "Sampling, Testing, and Inspection," is supplemented by the following:

Meet with the Engineer and choose either the Department or a Department-selected Commercial Lab (CL) for conducting the subset of project-level sampling and testing shown in Table 1, "Select Guide Schedule Sampling and Testing." Selection may be made on a test by test basis. CLs will meet the testing turnaround times shown (includes test time and time for travel/sampling and reporting) and in all cases issue test reports as soon as possible.

If the Contractor chooses a Department-selected CL for any Table 1 sampling and testing:

- notify the Engineer, District Lab, and the CL of project scheduling that may require CL testing;
- provide the Engineer, District Lab, and CL at least 24 hours' notice by phone and e-mail;
- reimburse the Department for CL Table 1 testing using the contract fee schedule for the CL (including mileage and travel/standby time) at the minimum guide schedule testing frequencies;
- reimburse the Department for CL Table 1 testing above the minimum guide schedule frequencies for retesting when minimum frequency testing results in failures to meet specification limits;
- agree with the Engineer and CL upon a policy regarding notification for testing services;
- give any cancellation notice to the Engineer, District Lab, and CL by phone and e-mail;
- reimburse the Department a \$150 cancellation fee to cover technician time and mileage charges for previously scheduled work cancelled without adequate notice, which resulted in mobilization of technician and/or equipment by the CL; and
- all CL charges will be reimbursed to the Department by a deduction from the Contractor's monthly pay estimate.

If the CL does not meet the Table 1 turnaround times, testing charge to the Contractor will be reduced by 50% for the first late day and an additional 5% for each succeeding late day.

Approved CL project testing above the minimum testing frequencies in the Guide Schedule of Sampling and Testing, and not as the result of failing tests, will be paid by the Department.

Other project-level Guide Schedule sampling and testing not shown on Table 1 will be the responsibility of the Department.

Table 1
Select Guide Schedule Sampling and Testing (Note 1)

TxDOT Test	Test Description	Turn-Around Time (Calendar days)
SOILS/BASE		
Tex-101-E	Preparation of Soil and Flexible Base Materials for Testing (included in other tests)	
Tex-104-E	Liquid Limit of Soils (included in 106-E)	
Tex-105-E	Plastic Limit of Soils (included in 106-E)	
Tex-106-E	Calculating the Plasticity Index of Soils	7
Tex-110-E	Particle Size Analysis of Soils	6
Tex-113-E	Moisture-Density Relationship of Base Materials	7
Tex-114-E	Moisture-Density Relationship of Subgrade and Embankment Soil	7
Tex-115-E	Field Method for In-Place Density of Soils and Base Materials	2
Tex-116-E	Ball Mill Method for the Disintegration of Flexible Base Material	5
Tex-117-E, Part II	Triaxial Compression Tests For Disturbed Soils and Base Materials (Part II)	6
Tex-113-E w/ Tex-117-E	Moisture-Density Relationship of Base Materials with Triaxial Compression Tests For Disturbed Soils and Base Materials (Part II)	10
Tex-140-E	Measuring Thickness of Pavement Layer	2
Tex-145-E	Determining Sulfate Content in Soils - Colorimetric Method	4
HOT MIX ASPHALT		
Tex-200-F	Sieve Analysis of Fine and Coarse Aggregate (dry, from ignition oven with known correction factors)	1 (Note 2)
Tex-203-F	Sand Equivalent Test	3
Tex-206-F, w/ Tex-207-F, Part I, w/ Tex-227-F	(Lab-Molded Density of Production Mixture – Texas Gyrotory) Method of Compacting Test Specimens of Bituminous Mixtures with Density of Compacted Bituminous Mixtures, Part I - Bulk Specific Gravity of Compacted Bituminous Mixtures, with Theoretical Maximum Specific Gravity of Bituminous Mixtures	1 (Note 2)
Tex-207-F, Part I &/or Part VI	(In-Place Air Voids of Roadway Cores) Density of Compacted Bituminous Mixtures, Part I- Bulk Specific Gravity of Compacted Bituminous Mixtures &/or Part VI - Bulk Specific Gravity of Compacted Bituminous Mixtures Using the Vacuum Method	1 (Note 2)
Tex-207-F, Part V	Density of Compacted Bituminous Mixtures, Part V- Determining Mat Segregation using a Density-Testing Gauge	3
Tex-207-F, Part VII	Density of Compacted Bituminous Mixtures, Part VII - Determining Longitudinal Joint Density using a Density-Testing Gauge	4
Tex-212-F	Moisture Content of Bituminous Mixtures	3
Tex-217-F	Deleterious Material and Decantation Test for Coarse Aggregate	4
Tex-221-F	Sampling Aggregate for Bituminous Mixtures, Surface Treatments, and LRA (included in other tests)	
Tex-222-F	Sampling Bituminous Mixtures (included in other tests)	
Tex-224-F	Determination of Flakiness Index	3
Tex-226-F	Indirect Tensile Strength Test (production mix)	4
Tex-235-F	Determining Draindown Characteristics in Bituminous Materials	3
Tex-236-F (Correction Factors)	Asphalt Content from Asphalt Paving Mixtures by the Ignition Method (Determining Correction Factors)	4
Tex-236-F	Asphalt Content from Asphalt Paving Mixtures by the Ignition Method (Production Mixture)	1 (Note 2)
Tex-241-F w/ Tex-207-F, Part I, w/ Tex-227-F	(Lab-Molded Density of Production Mixture – Superpave Gyrotory) Superpave Gyrotory Compacting of Specimens of Bituminous Mixtures (production mixture) with Density of Compacted Bituminous Mixtures, Part I- Part I - Bulk Specific Gravity of Compacted Bituminous Mixtures, with Theoretical Maximum Specific Gravity of Bituminous Mixtures	1 (Note 2)
Tex-242-F	Hamburg Wheel-Tracking Test (production mix, molded samples)	3
Tex-244-F	Thermal Profile of Hot Mix Asphalt	1
Tex-246-F	Permeability of Water Flow of Hot Mix Asphalt	3
Tex-280-F	Flat and Elongated Particles	3
Tex-530-C	Effect of Water on Bituminous Paving Mixtures (production mix)	4

AGGREGATES		
Tex-400-A	Sampling Flexible Base, Stone, Gravel, Sand, and Mineral Aggregates	3
Tex-410-A	Abrasion of Coarse Aggregate Using the Los Angeles Machine	5
Tex-411-A	Soundness of Aggregate by Use of Sodium Sulfate or Magnesium Sulfate	12
Tex-461-A	Degradation of Coarse Aggregate by Micro-Deval Abrasion	5
CHEMICAL		
Tex-612-J	Acid Insoluble Residue for Fine Aggregate	4
GENERAL		
HMA Production Specialist [TxAPA – Level 1-A] (\$/hr)		
HMA Roadway Specialist [TxAPA – Level 1-B] (\$/hr)		
Technician Travel/Standby Time (\$/hr)		
Per Diem (\$/day – meals and lodging)		
Mileage Rate (\$/mile from closest CL location)		
Note 1– Turn-Around Time includes test time and time for travel/sampling and reporting. Note 2 – These tests require turn-around times meeting the governing specifications. Provide test results within the stated turn-around time. CL is allowed one additional day to provide the signed and sealed report.		

Special Provision to Item 6

Control of Materials



Item 6, "Control of Materials" of the Standard Specifications is amended with respect to the clauses cited below. No other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed.

Article 6.10., "Hazardous Materials," is voided and replaced by the following:

Comply with the requirements of Article 7.12., "Responsibility for Hazardous Materials."

Notify the Engineer immediately when a visual observation or odor indicates that materials on sites owned or controlled by the Department may contain hazardous materials. Except as noted herein, the Department is responsible for testing, removing, and disposing of hazardous materials not introduced by the Contractor. The Engineer may suspend work wholly or in part during the testing, removing, or disposing of hazardous materials, except in the case where hazardous materials are introduced by the Contractor.

Use materials that are free of hazardous materials. Notify the Engineer immediately if materials are suspected to contain hazardous materials. If materials delivered to the project by the Contractor are suspected to contain hazardous materials, have an approved commercial laboratory test the materials for the presence of hazardous materials as approved. Remove, remediate, and dispose of any of these materials found to contain hazardous materials. The work required to comply with this section will be at the Contractor's expense if materials are found to contain hazardous materials. Working day charges will not be suspended and extensions of working days will not be granted for activities related to handling hazardous material introduced by the Contractor. If suspected materials are not found to contain hazardous materials, the Department will reimburse the Contractor for hazardous materials testing and will adjust working day charges if the Contractor can show that this work impacted the critical path.

10.1. Painted Steel Requirements. Coatings on existing steel contain hazardous materials unless otherwise shown on the plans. Remove paint and dispose of steel coated with paint containing hazardous materials in accordance with the following:

10.1.1. Removing Paint From Steel For contracts that are specifically for painting steel, Item 446, "Field Cleaning and Painting Steel" will be included as a pay item. Perform work in accordance with that item.

For projects where paint must be removed to allow for the dismantling of steel or to perform other work, the Department will provide for a separate contractor (third party) to remove paint containing hazardous materials prior to or during the Contract. Remove paint covering existing steel shown not to contain hazardous materials in accordance with Item 446, "Field Cleaning and Painting Steel."

10.1.2. Removal and Disposal of Painted Steel. For steel able to be dismantled by unbolting, paint removal will not be performed by the Department. The Department will remove paint, at locations shown on the plans or as agreed, for the Contractor's cutting and dismantling purposes. Utilize Department cleaned locations for dismantling when provided or provide own means of dismantling at other locations.

Painted steel to be retained by the Department will be shown on the plans. For painted steel that contains hazardous materials, dispose of the painted steel at a steel recycling or smelting facility unless otherwise shown on the plans. Maintain and make available to the Engineer invoices and other records obtained from the facility showing the received weight of the steel and the facility name. Dispose of steel that does not contain hazardous material coatings in accordance with federal, state and local regulations.

10.2. Asbestos Requirements. The plans will indicate locations or elements where asbestos containing materials (ACM) are known to be present. Where ACM is known to exist or where previously unknown ACM has been found, the Department will arrange for abatement by a separate contractor prior to or during the Contract. Notify the Engineer of proposed dates of demolition or removal of structural elements with ACM at least 60 days before beginning work to allow the Department sufficient time for abatement.

The Department of State Health Services (DSHS), Asbestos Programs Branch, is responsible for administering the requirements of the National Emissions Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants, 40 CFR Part 61, Subpart M and the Texas Asbestos Health Protection Rules (TAHPR). Based on EPA guidance and regulatory background information, bridges are considered to be a regulated "facility" under NESHAP. Therefore, federal standards for demolition and renovation apply.

The Department is required to notify the DSHS at least 10 working days (by postmarked date) before initiating demolition or renovation of each structure or load bearing member shown on the plans. If the actual demolition or renovation date is changed or delayed, notify the Engineer in writing of the revised dates in sufficient time to allow for the Department's notification to DSHS to be postmarked at least 10 days in advance of the actual work.

Failure to provide the above information may require the temporary suspension of work under Article 8.4., "Temporary Suspension of Work or Working Day Charges," due to reasons under the control of the Contractor. The Department retains the right to determine the actual advance notice needed for the change in date to address post office business days and staff availability.

10.3. Lead Abatement. Provide traffic control as shown on the plans, and coordinate and cooperate with the third party and the Department for managing or removing hazardous materials. Work for the traffic control shown on the plans and coordination work will not be paid for directly but will be subsidiary to pertinent Items.

Special Provision to Item 6

Control of Materials



Item 6, "Control of Materials" of the Standard Specifications is amended with respect to the clauses cited below. No other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed.

Section 1.1. "Buy America,." This section is voided and replaced by the following:

- 1.1. **Buy America.** Comply with the latest provisions of Build America, Buy America Act (BABA Act) of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law and applicable CFR, which restrict funds being made available from Federal financial assistance programs unless all the iron products, steel products, manufactured products, and construction materials used in the project are produced in the United States. Use iron or steel products, manufactured products, or construction materials produced in the United States for all permanently installed materials and products except when defined in Section 1.1.5., "Buy America Exceptions."

A material is solely classified based on its status at the time it is brought to the work site as either an iron or steel product, construction material, manufactured product, or Section 70917(c) material. Refer to the Buy America Material Classification Sheet found in the general notes or txdot.gov for additional clarification on material classification.

- 1.1.1. **Iron or Steel.** Iron or steel products means articles, materials, or supplies that consist of iron or steel or a combination of both. For iron or steel products, manufacturing includes any process that modifies the chemical content, physical shape or size, or final finish of a product. The manufacturing process begins with initial melting and mixing and continues through fabrication (cutting, drilling, welding, bending, etc.) and coating (paint, galvanizing, epoxy, etc.).

For iron or steel products submit a notarized original FORM D-9-USA-1 (Department Form 1818) with the proper attachments for verification of compliance.

- 1.1.2. **Section 70917(c) Materials.** Section 70917(c) materials mean cement and cementitious material; aggregates such as stone, sand, or gravel; or aggregate binding agents or additives. Section 70917(c) materials do not require domestic sourcing or Buy America certification.

- 1.1.3. **Construction Materials.** Construction materials are classified as articles, materials, or supplies that consist of only one of the items listed in bullets below. Minor additions (as determined by plans or Engineer) to any of the items listed is still a construction material.

- non-ferrous metals,
- plastic and polymer-based products (including polyvinyl chloride, composite building materials, and polymers used in fiber optic cables),
- glass (including optic glass),
- fiber optic cable (including drop cable),
- optical fiber,
- lumber,
- engineered wood, or
- drywall.

For construction materials, submit a Construction Material Buy America Certification Form (Department Form 2806) for verification of compliance that all manufacturing processes, as required, occurred in the

United States. Each construction material has specific certification requirements stated below. Provide additional documentation as requested.

Details shown on the plans provide additional clarification on Buy America requirements.

For non-ferrous metals, certification requires all manufacturing processes, from initial smelting or melting through final shaping, coating, and assembly, occurred in the United States.

For plastic and polymer-based products (including polyvinyl chloride, composite building materials, and polymers used in fiber optic cables), certification requires all manufacturing processes, from initial combination of constituent plastic or polymer-based inputs, or, where applicable, constituent composite materials, until the item is in its final form, occurred in the United States.

For glass (including optic glass), certification requires all manufacturing processes, from initial batching and melting of raw materials through annealing, cooling, and cutting, occurred in the United States.

For fiber optic cable (including drop cable), certification requires all manufacturing processes, from the initial ribboning (if applicable), through buffering, fiber stranding and jacketing, occurred in the United States. All manufacturing processes also include the standards for glass and optical fiber, but not for non-ferrous metals, plastic and polymer-based products, or any others.

For optical fiber, certification requires all manufacturing processes, from the initial preform fabrication stage through the completion of the draw, occurred in the United States.

For lumber, certification requires all manufacturing processes, from initial debarking through treatment and planing, occurred in the United States.

For engineered wood, certification requires all manufacturing processes from the initial combination of constituent materials until the wood product is in its final form, occurred in the United States.

For drywall, certification requires all manufacturing processes, from initial blending of mined or synthetic gypsum plaster and additives through cutting and drying of sandwiched panels, occurred in the United States.

1.1.4. **Manufactured Products.** Materials classified as a manufactured product are currently waived from Buy America requirements by an FHWA general waiver and are not required to be domestically sourced. However, iron or steel products incorporated into manufactured products must meet iron and steel compliance requirements.

1.1.5. **Buy America Exceptions.** Use of iron, steel, construction materials, and manufactured products manufactured in the United States is required unless the material meets an exception below.

- A waiver exists exempting the material from Buy America compliance.
- The total value of the non-compliant products (other than iron or steel products) is no more than the lesser of \$1,000,000 or 5% of Total Applicable Costs for the project. Total Applicable Cost means the actual cost of all materials requiring Buy America compliance including iron, steel, or other materials that are within the scope of existing waivers. Contractor must provide documentation showing under threshold in advance for Engineer's consideration.
- The total value of foreign iron and steel products, including delivery, does not exceed 0.1% of the total Contract cost or \$2,500, whichever is greater. Contractor must provide documentation showing under threshold in advance for Engineer's consideration.
- Foreign steel may be allowed when the Contract contains an alternate item for a foreign source iron or steel product and the Contract is awarded based on the alternate item.

- The materials are temporarily installed or are supplies, tools and equipment not incorporated into the project. Temporarily installed means the materials and products must be removed at the end of the project or may be removed at the contractor's convenience with Engineers approval.

Special Provision to Item 7

Legal Relations and Responsibilities



Item 7, "Legal Relations and Responsibilities," of the Standard Specifications is amended with respect to the clauses cited below. No other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed.

Section 7.7.2., "Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (TPDES) Permits and Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plans (SWP3)," is voided and replaced by the following:

7.2. Texas Pollution Discharge Elimination System (TPDES) Permits and Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plans (SWP3).

7.2.1. Projects with less than one acre of soil disturbance including required associated project specific locations (PSL's) per TPDES GP TXR 150000.

No posting or filing will be required for soil disturbances within the right of way. Adhere to the requirements of the SWP3.

7.2.2. Projects with one acre but less than five acres of soil disturbance including required associated PSL's per TPDES GP TXR 150000.

The Department will be considered a primary operator for Operational Control Over Plans and Specifications as defined in TPDES GP TXR 150000 for construction activity in the right of way. The Department will post a small site notice along with other requirements as defined in TPDES GP TXR 150000 as the entity of having operational control over plans and specifications for work shown on the plans in the right of way.

The Contractor will be considered a Primary Operator for Day-to-Day Operational Control as defined in TPDES GP TXR 150000 for construction activity in the right of way. In addition to the Department's actions, the Contractor will post a small site notice along with other requirements as defined in TPDES GP TXR 150000 as the entity of having day-to-day operational control of the work shown on the plans in the right of way. This is in addition to the Contractor being responsible for TPDES GP TXR 150000 requirements for on- right of way and off- right of way PSL's. Adhere to all requirements of the SWP3 as shown on the plans. The Contractor will be responsible for Implement the SWP3 for the project site in accordance with the plans and specifications, TPDES General Permit TXR150000, and as directed.

7.2.3. Projects with 5 acres or more of soil disturbance including required associated PSL's per TPDES GP TXR 150000.

The Department will be considered a primary operator for Operational Control Over Plans and Specifications as defined in TPDES GP TXR 150000 for construction activities in the right of way. The Department will post a large site notice, file a notice of intent (NOI), notice of change (NOC), if applicable, and a notice of termination (NOT) along with other requirements per TPDES GP TXR 150000 as the entity having operational control over plans and specifications for work shown on the plans in the right of way.

The Contractor will be considered a primary operator for Day-to-Day Operational Control as defined in TPDES GP TXR 150000 for construction activities in the right of way. In addition to the Department's actions, the Contractor shall file a NOI, NOC, if applicable, and NOT and post a large site notice along with other requirements as the entity of having day-to-day operational control of the work shown on the plans in the right of way. This is in addition to the Contractor

being responsible for TPDES GP TXR 150000 requirements for on- right of way and off- right of way PSL's. Adhere to all requirements of the SWP3 as shown on the plans.

Special Provision to Item 7

Legal Relations and Responsibilities



Item 7, "Legal Relations and Responsibilities" of the Standard Specifications is amended with respect to the clauses cited below. No other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed.

Section 19.1., Minimum Wage Requirements for Federally Funded Contracts. The second paragraph is voided and replaced by the following:

Submit electronic payroll records to the Engineer using the Department's payroll system.

Section 19.2., Minimum Wage Requirements for State Funded Contracts. The second paragraph is voided and replaced by the following:

Submit electronic payroll records to the Engineer using the Department's payroll system.

Special Provision to Item 7

Legal Relations and Responsibilities



Item 7, "Legal Relations and Responsibilities," of the Standard Specifications is amended with respect to the clauses cited below. No other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed.

Section 7.2.4., "Public Safety and Convenience." The first paragraph is deleted and replaced by the following.

Ensure the safety and convenience of the public and property as provided in the Contract and as directed. Keep existing roadways open to traffic or construct and maintain detours and temporary structures for safe public travel. Manage construction to minimize disruption to traffic. Maintain the roadway in a good and passable condition, including proper drainage and provide for ingress and egress to adjacent property.

If the construction of the project requires the closing of a highway, as directed, coordinate the closure with the Engineer and work to ensure all lanes and ramps possible are available during peak traffic periods before, during, and after significant traffic generator events to avoid any adverse economic impact on the municipalities during:

- dates or events as shown on the plans, and
- other dates as directed.

Special Provision to Item 007

Legal Relations and Responsibilities



Item 7, "Legal Relations and Responsibilities," of the Standard Specifications is amended with respect to the clauses cited below.

Section 2.6., "Barricades, Signs, and Traffic Handling," the first paragraph is voided and replaced by the following:

- 2.6. **Barricades, Signs, and Traffic Handling.** Comply with the requirements of Item 502 "Barricades, Signs, and Traffic Handling," and as directed. Provide traffic control devices that conform to the details shown on the plans, the TMUTCD, and the Department's Compliant Work Zone Traffic Control Device List maintained by the Traffic Safety Division. When authorized or directed, provide additional signs or traffic control devices not required by the plans.

Section 2.6.1., "Contractor Responsible Person and Alternative," is voided and replaced by the following:

- 2.6.1. **Contractor Responsible Person and Alternative.** Designate in writing, a Contractor's Responsible Person (CRP) and an alternate to be the representative of the Contractor who is responsible for taking or directing corrective measures regarding the traffic control. The CRP or alternate must be accessible by phone 24 hr. per day and able to respond when notified. The CRP and alternate must comply with the requirements of Section 2.6.5., "Training."

Section 2.6.2, "Flaggers," the first paragraph is voided and replaced by the following:

- 2.6.2. **Flaggers.** Designate in writing, a flagger instructor who will serve as a flagging supervisor and is responsible for training and assuring that all flaggers are qualified to perform flagging duties. Certify to the Engineer that all flaggers will be trained and make available upon request a list of flaggers trained to perform flagging duties.

Section 2.6.5, "Training," is voided and replaced by the following:

- 2.6.5. **Training.** Train workers involved with the traffic control using Department-approved training as shown on the "Traffic Control Training" Material Producer List.

Coordinate enrollment, pay associated fees, and successfully complete Department-approved training or Contractor-developed training. Training is valid for the period prescribed by the provider. Except for law enforcement personnel training, refresher training is required every 4 yr. from the date of completion unless otherwise specified by the course provider. The Engineer may require training at a frequency instead of the period prescribed based on the Department's needs. Training and associated fees will not be measured or paid for directly but are considered subsidiary to pertinent Items.

Certify to the Engineer that workers involved in traffic control and other work zone personnel have been trained and make available upon request a copy of the certification of completion to the Engineer. Ensure the following is included in the certification of completion:

- name of provider and course title,
- name of participant,
- date of completion, and
- date of expiration.

Where Contractor-developed training or a Department-approved training course does not produce a certification, maintain a log of attendees. Make the log available upon request. Ensure the log is legible and includes the following:

- printed name and signature of participant,
- name and title of trainer, and
- date of training.

2.6.5.1. **Contractor-developed Training.** Develop and deliver Contractor-developed training meeting the minimum requirements established by the Department. The outline for this training must be submitted to the Engineer for approval at the preconstruction meeting. The CRP or designated alternate may deliver the training instead of the Department-approved training. The work performed and materials furnished to develop and deliver the training will not be measured or paid for directly but will be considered subsidiary to pertinent Items.

2.6.5.1.1. **Flagger Training Minimum Requirements.** A Contractor's certified flagging instructor is permitted to train other flaggers.

2.6.5.1.2. **Optional Contractor-developed Training for Other Work Zone Personnel.** For other work zone personnel, the Contractor may provide training meeting the curriculum shown below instead of Department-approved training.

Minimum curriculum for Contractor-provided training is as follows:

Contractor-developed training must provide information on the use of personnel protection equipment, occupational hazards and health risks, and other pertinent topics related to traffic management. The type and amount of training will depend on the job duties and responsibilities. Develop training applicable to the work being performed. Develop training to include the following topics.

- The Life You Save May Be Your Own (or other similar company safety motto).
- Purpose of the training.
 - It's the Law.
 - To make work zones safer for workers and motorist.
 - To understand what is needed for traffic control.
 - To save lives including your own.
- Personal and Co-Worker Safety.
 - **High Visibility Safety Apparel.** Discuss compliant requirements; inspect regularly for fading and reduced reflective properties; if night operations are required, discuss the additional and appropriate required apparel in addition to special night work risks; if moving operations are underway, discuss appropriate safety measures specific to the situation and traffic control plan.
 - **Blind Areas.** A blind area is the area around a vehicle or piece of construction equipment not visible to the operators, either by line of sight or indirectly by mirrors. Discuss the "Circle of Safety" around equipment and vehicles; use of spotters; maintain eye contact with equipment operators; and use of hand signals.
 - **Runovers and Backovers.** Remain alert at all times; keep a safe distance from traffic; avoid turning your back to traffic and if you must then use a spotter; and stay behind protective barriers, whenever possible. Note: It is not safe to sit on or lean against a concrete barrier, these barriers can deflect four plus feet when struck by a vehicle.
 - Look out for each other, warn co-workers.
 - Be courteous to motorists.
 - Do not run across active roadways.
 - Workers must obey traffic laws and drive courteously while operating vehicles in the work zones.
 - Workers must be made aware of company distracted driving policies.
- **Night Time Operations.** Focus should be placed on projects with a nighttime element.

- **Traffic Control Training.** Basics of Traffic Control.
 - Identify work zone traffic control supervisor and other appropriate persons to report issues to when they arise.
 - Emphasize that work zone traffic control devices must be in clean and in undamaged condition. If devices have been hit but not damaged, put back in their correct place and report to traffic control supervisor. If devices have been damaged, replace with new one and report to traffic control supervisor. If devices are dirty, faded or have missing or damaged reflective tape clean or replace and report to traffic control supervisor. Show examples of non-acceptable device conditions. Discuss various types of traffic control devices to be used and where spacing requirements can be found.
 - **Channelizing Devices and Barricades with Slanted Stripes.** Stripes are to slant in the direction you want traffic to stay or move to; demonstrate this with a device.
 - **Traffic Queuing.** Workers must be made aware of traffic queuing and the dangers created by it. Workers must be instructed to immediately notify the traffic control supervisor and other supervisory personnel if traffic is queuing beyond advance warning sign and devices or construction limits.
 - **Signs.** Signs must be straight and not leaning. Report problems to the traffic control supervisor or other as designated for immediate repair. Covered signs must be fully covered. If covers are damaged or out of place, report to traffic control supervisor or other as designated.

Special Provision to Item 7

Legal Relations and Responsibilities



Item 7, "Legal Relations and Responsibilities" of the Standard Specifications is amended with respect to the clauses cited below. No other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed.

Article 7.20., "Security Incidents," is added.

- 20.1. Reporting of Security Incidents.** Immediately notify the Department's [Cyber Security Operations Center \(CSOC\) via the Report Cybersecurity Incident Page](#) on www.txdot.gov, of any potential cybersecurity incident or breach involving Department data. A breach of system security is the unauthorized acquisition of computerized data that compromises the security, confidentiality, or integrity of sensitive personal information maintained by a person, including data that is encrypted if the person accessing the data has the key required to decrypt the data.
- 20.2. Liability for costs incurred.** The Department reserves the right to hold the Contractor liable for all costs incurred by the Department to resolve a security incident introduced by the Contractor, their Subcontractors, or their Suppliers.

Special Provision to Item 8 Prosecution and Progress



Item 8, "Prosecution and Progress" of the Standard Specification is amended with respect to the clauses cited below. No other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed.

Article 8.2., "Subcontracting," is supplemented by the following paragraph, which is added as paragraph six to this article:

The Contractor certifies by signing the Contract that the Contractor will not enter into any subcontract with a subcontractor that is not registered in the Department of Homeland Security's (DHS) E-Verify system. Require that all subcontractors working on the project register and require that all subcontractors remain active in the DHS E-Verify system until their work is complete on the project.

Special Provision to Item 8 Prosecution and Progress



Item 8, "Prosecution and Progress" of the Standard Specifications is amended with respect to the clause cited below. No other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed.

Article 8.7.2., "Wrongful Default," is revised and replaced by the following:

If it is determined after the Contractor is declared in default, that the Contractor was not in default, the rights and obligations of all parties will be the same as if termination had been issued for the convenience of the public as provided in Article 8.8 "Termination of Contract."

Special Provision to Item 8

Prosecution and Progress



Item 8, "Prosecution and Progress," of the Standard Specifications, is amended with respect to the clauses cited below. No other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed.

Article 8.6., "Failure to Complete Work on Time," is supplemented by the following:

8.6.1. Lane Closure Assessment Fees.

Monetary assessment, as shown on the plans, will be made against the Contractor for any lane closure or obstruction that overlaps into the peak hour traffic for each time increment defined on the plans or portion thereof, per lane, regardless of the length of lane closure or obstruction.

8.6.1.1. Definition of Terms. For this Contract, the following definitions apply:

8.6.1.1.1. Time increment. Any continuous defined increment of time period or portion thereof for a period beginning at that point when lanes are closed or obstructed by the Contractor's operations.

8.6.1.1.2. Assessment Fee. The amount shown on the proposal for each defined time increment, representing the average cost of interference and inconvenience to the road user for each lane closed or obstructed during peak hour traffic. The Engineer may allow a proportional fee assessment for closures that do not involve an entire defined time increment.

8.6.1.1.3. Closure or Obstruction. When the Contractor's operations result in a reduced lane width of the travel way or shoulder less than that specified on the plan documents.

8.6.1.1.4. Peak Hour Traffic Times. Schedule of days and times described in the General Notes, when lane closures or obstructions are not allowed.

8.6.1.2. Fee Calculation and Collection. The assessment fee will be deducted from the amount due to the Contractor on the monthly construction estimate, and thus retained by the Department. The Engineer will determine the time of overlap of lane closures or obstructions for calculating the assessment fee. The assessment fee is based on road user costs and is assessed not as a penalty, but for added expense incurred by the traveling public.

Special Provision to Item 8 Prosecution and Progress



Item 8, "Prosecution and Progress" of the Standard Specifications is amended with respect to the clauses cited below. No other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed.

Article 3., "Computation of Contract Time for Completion." The second paragraph is voided and replaced by the following:

The development of the conceptual time determination is intended to establish the number of working days on the Contract. Upon request, the Engineer will provide the conceptual time determination schedule to the Contractor for informational purposes only. The schedule assumes generic resources, production rates, sequences of construction, and average weather conditions based on historic data. Schedule labor, equipment, procurement of materials, subcontractor work, and all other necessary means to prosecute the work within the number of working days specified by the Contract.

Special Provision to Item 8 Prosecution and Progress



Item 8, "Prosecution and Progress," of the Standard Specifications is amended with respect to the clauses cited below. No other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed.

Article 8.1., "Prosecution of Work." The article is voided and replaced by the following.

Begin work within 90 calendar days after the authorization date to begin work. Prosecute the work continuously to completion within the working days specified. Unless otherwise shown on the plans, work may be prosecuted in concurrent phases if no changes are required to the traffic control plan or if a revised traffic control plan is approved. Notify the Engineer at least 24 hr. before beginning work or before beginning any new operation. Do not start new operations to the detriment of work already begun. Minimize interference to traffic.

For Contracts with callout work and work orders, begin work in the right of way within the specified time and continuously prosecute the work until completion.

Special Provision to Item 009

Measurement and Payment



Item 009 "Measurement and Payment" of the Standard Specifications is amended with respect to the clauses cited below. No other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed.

Article 9.5., "PROGRESS PAYMENTS" is supplemented with the following:

It is the Department's desire to pay a Contractor for work through the last working day of the month; however, the use of early cut-off dates for monthly estimates and MOH is a project management practice to manage workload at the Area Office level. Approval for using early cut-off dates is at the District's discretion. The earliest cut-off date for estimates is the 25th of the month.

Article 9.6., "PAYMENT FOR MATERIAL ON HAND (MOH)" first paragraph is amended as follows:

If payment for MOH is desired, request compensation for the invoice cost of acceptable nonperishable materials that have not been used in the work before the request, and that have been delivered to the work location or are in acceptable storage places. Nonperishable materials are those that do not have a shelf life or whose characteristics do not materially change when exposed to the elements. Include only materials that have been sampled, tested, approved, or certified, and are ready for incorporation into the work. Only materials which are completely constructed or fabricated on the Contractor's order for a specific Contract and are so marked and on which an approved test report has been issued are eligible. Payment for MOH may include the following types of items: concrete traffic barrier, precast concrete box culverts, concrete piling, reinforced concrete pipe, and illumination poles. Any repairs required after fabricated materials have been approved for storage will require approval of the Engineer before being made and will be made at the Contractor's expense. Include only those materials and products, when cumulated under an individual item or similar bid items, that have an invoice cost of at least \$1,000 in the request for MOH payment (e.g. For MOH eligibility, various sizes of conductor are considered similar bid items and may be cumulated to meet the threshold; for small roadside signs, the sign supports, mounting bolts, and the sign face is considered one bid item or similar bid items for more than one pay item for sign supports.) Requests for MOH are to be submitted at least two days before but not later than the estimate cutoff date unless otherwise agreed. If there is a need to request MOH after the established cut-off date, the district can make accommodation as the need arises. This needed accommodation is to be the exception, though, and not the rule.

Special Provision to Item 9

Measurement and Payment



Item 9, "Measurement and Payment" of the Standard Specifications is amended with respect to the clauses cited below. No other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed.

Section 7.1.4.3., "Standby Equipment Costs," is voided and replaced by the following:

7.1.4.3. **Standby Equipment Costs.** Payment for standby equipment will be made in accordance with Section 9.7.1.4., "Equipment." The 15% markup will be paid when standby is associated with extra work but will not be paid when standby is associated with damages.

Section 7.1.4.3.1., "Contractor-Owned Equipment," is voided and replaced by the following:

7.1.4.3.1. **Contractor-Owned Equipment.** For Contractor-owned equipment:

- Standby will be paid at 50% of the monthly Rental Rate Blue Book rate after the regional and age adjustment factors have been applied. Operating costs will not be allowed. Calculate the standby rate as follows.

$$\text{Standby rate} = (\text{FHWA hourly rate} - \text{operating costs}) \times 50\%$$

- If an hourly rate is needed, divide the monthly Rental Rate Blue Book rate by 176.
- No more than 8 hr. of standby will be paid during a 24-hr. day period, nor more than 40 hr. per week.
- Standby costs will not be allowed during periods when the equipment would have otherwise been idle.

Special Provision to Item 132

Embankment



Item 132, "Embankment" of the Standard Specifications is amended with respect to the clauses cited below. No other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed.

Article 132.2., "Materials", is supplemented with the following:

- **Type E.** Cement stabilized material consisting of Type CS select backfill meeting the requirements of Section 423.2.4.2. Table 2. Select Backfill Gradation Limits and hydraulic cement meeting the requirements of DMS-4600, "Hydraulic Cement," and the Department's Hydraulic Cement Quality Monitoring Program (HCQMP). Sources not on the HCQMP will require testing and approval before use.

Article 132.2., "Materials", the last paragraph is voided and not replaced.

Section 132.3.3, "Embankments Adjacent to Culverts and Bridges", is voided and replaced by the following:

132.3.3. Embankments Adjacent to Culverts and Bridges. Except as noted below, in Section 132.3.4, compact embankments adjacent to culverts, under bridge approach slabs, and adjacent to abutments where using Wide Flange Terminal Anchorage systems but not cement stabilized embankment, in accordance with Item 400, "Excavation and Backfill for Structures."

Section 132.3.4., "Compaction Methods", the first paragraph is supplemented by the following:

When cement stabilized backfill embankment, reinforced volume embankment, retaining wall foundation improvements, or embankment foundation improvements are shown on the plans, compact each layer to the required density, in accordance with Section 276.4.3, "Compaction."

Article 132.3., "Construction", is supplemented with the following:

Section 132.3.7 Cement Stabilized Backfill Embankment (CSBE). Provide Type E material for cement stabilized backfill embankment. Place CSBE for embankments, retaining wall foundation improvements, embankment foundation improvements and backfill material placed between the reinforced volume of retaining walls in accordance with the requirements of Section 423.2.4.4, "Cement Stabilized Backfill" at the locations shown on the plans or as directed.

Article 132.5., "Payment", the first paragraph is voided and replaced by the following:

The work performed and materials furnished in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under "Measurement" will be paid for at the unit price bid for "Embankment (Final)," "Embankment (Original)," or "Embankment (Vehicle)," of the compaction method and type specified. Where Cement Stabilized Backfill Embankment (CSBE) is shown on the plans, it will be paid for at the unit price bid for "Embankment (Final) (CSBE)," "Embankment (Final)(CSBE)(Retaining Wall Foundation Improvement)," "Embankment (Final)(CSBE)(Embankment Foundation Improvement)," or "Embankment (Final)(CSBE) (Reinforced Volume of Retaining Walls) of the compaction method and type shown on the plans. When the embankment adjacent to the cement stabilized reinforced volume is not cement stabilized, the cement stabilized reinforced volume will be paid as "Embankment (Final)" of the compaction method and type shown on the plans. This price is full compensation for all cement, cement treatment and stabilization, furnishing embankment, hauling, placing, compacting, curing, finishing, and reworking; disposal of waste material; and equipment, labor, tools, and incidentals.

Special Provision to Item 247

Flexible Base



Item 247, "Flexible Base," of the Standard Specifications is amended with respect to the clauses cited below. No other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed.

Section 247.2.1., "Aggregate." This Section is voided and replaced by the following.

Furnish aggregate of the type and grade shown on the plans and meeting the requirements shown in Table 1. Each source must meet Table 1 requirements for liquid limit, plasticity index, and wet ball mill for the grade specified. Do not use additives, such as but not limited to cement, emulsion, foamed asphalt, or lime, to modify aggregates to meet the requirements of Table 1, unless otherwise shown on the plans.

Unless otherwise shown on the plans, the unconfined compressive strength is waived when the flexible base material meets the #200 sieve requirement.

Table 1
Material Requirements

Property	Test Method	Grade 1-2 ³	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5 ³
Master gradation sieve size (cumulative % retained)		–	–		–
2-1/2"		0	0		0
1-3/4"		0-10	0-10		0-5
7/8"	Tex-110-E	10-35	–		10-35
3/8"		30-65	–		35-65
#4		45-75	45-75		45-75
#40		65-90	50-85		70-90
#200 ^{1, 2}		85-95	–		–
Liquid limit, % Max	Tex-104-E	40	40	As shown on the plans	35
Plasticity index, Max		10	12		10
Plasticity index, Min	Tex-106-E	As shown on the plans	As shown on the plans		As shown on the plans
Wet ball mill, % Max		40	–		40
Wet ball mill, % Max increase passing the #40 sieve	Tex-116-E	20	–		20
Min compressive strength ² , psi		–	–		–
lateral pressure 0 psi	Tex-117-E	35	–		–
lateral pressure 3 psi		–	–		90
lateral pressure 15 psi		175	–		175

- The #200 sieve test is only required to meet the waiver of the unconfined compressive strength. The #200 sieve test requirement is only applicable to stockpile samples from Section 247.2.4.
- Compressive strength and #200 sieve test requirements are waived when the flexible base is mixed with or without existing material and treated with cement, emulsion, foamed asphalt, or lime, unless otherwise shown on the plans.
- Grade 3 may be substituted for Grade 1-2 or Grade 5 when the flexible base is mixed with or without existing material and treated with cement, emulsion, foamed asphalt, or lime, as approved. The Grade 3 flexible base must meet the wet ball mill requirements of Grade 1-2 or Grade 5.

Section 247.2.1.2.4., "Type D." The third sentence is voided and replaced by the following.

Crushed concrete must meet the requirements in Section 247.2.1.3., "Recycled Material," and be managed in a way to provide for uniform quality.

Section 247.2.1.3., "Recycled Material." This Section is voided and replaced by the following.

Reclaimed asphalt pavement (RAP) and other recycled materials may be used as shown on the plans. Request approval to blend two or more sources of recycled materials. When RAP is allowed, do not exceed 20% RAP by weight, unless otherwise shown on the plans. The percentage limitations for other recycled materials are as shown on the plans.

Provide recycled materials, other than RAP, that have a maximum sulfate content of 3,000 ppm when tested in accordance with [Tex-145-E](#). Certify accordance with [DMS-11000](#), "Evaluating and Using Nonhazardous Recyclable Materials Guidelines." In addition, recycled materials must be free of reinforcing steel and other objectionable material and have at most 1.5% deleterious material when tested in accordance with [Tex-413-A](#). The liquid limit, plasticity index, wet ball mill, and compressive strength for all recycled materials are waived. When using RAP, crush RAP so that 100% passes the 2-in. sieve and does not exceed a maximum percent loss from decantation of 5.0% when tested in accordance with [Tex-406-A](#). Test RAP without removing the asphalt. The final product must meet the requirements shown in Table 1 for the grade specified, except when the Department requires a specific amount of Department-furnished RAP be added to the blend, unless otherwise shown on the plans.

The Contractor is responsible for uniformly blending the recycled material with the flexible base material to build a stockpile to meet the percentages required. Any Contractor-furnished surplus of recycled materials must remain the property of the Contractor. Remove Contractor-owned recycled materials from the project, and dispose of them in conformance with federal, state, and local regulations before project acceptance.

Section 247.2.4., "Stockpile Approval." This Section is added.

Stockpile is approved when the Engineer's test results meet the material requirements shown in Table 1.

Section 247.2.4.1., "Sampling." This Section is added.

The Contractor and the Engineer will sample flexible base from completed stockpiles in accordance with [Tex-100-A](#). Personnel conducting sampling must be certified by the Department-approved soils and base certification program.

Sampling stockpiles may be located at the production site or at the project location. The Contractor must witness the Engineer's sampling and sample the stockpile for their own testing, and label as deemed necessary.

Sample the stockpile for the Engineer as shown on the plans. When the Contractor samples the stockpile for the Engineer, the Engineer will witness the sampling of material designated for the Engineer and the Materials and Tests Division (MTD). The Engineer will label their sampling containers as "Engineer" and "MTD," or as deemed necessary.

The Engineer will take immediate possession of the sample containers for the Engineer and MTD. The Engineer will maintain custody of the samples until all testing and reporting are completed.

Section 247.2.4.2., "Referee Testing." This Section is added.

Referee testing is applicable for stockpile testing only. MTD is the referee laboratory. MTD may designate a laboratory from the Department's MPL for *Commercial Laboratories Approved for Flexible Base Referee Requests* as the referee laboratory as deemed necessary. The designated laboratory must not perform any testing under this Item for the Engineer or Contractor.

The Contractor may request referee testing when the Engineer's test results fail to meet any of the material requirements shown in Table 1 and when the Contractor's sample from Section 247.2.4.1., "Sampling," for the same failing Department test passes. The tests must be performed by a laboratory on the Department's MPL for *Commercial Laboratories Approved for Flexible Base Referee Requests*. Submit the request by email within 5 working days after receiving failing test results from the Engineer. Include completed test reports passing the applicable requirements shown in Table 1 in the email.

Record and submit completed test reports electronically on Department-provided templates in their original format meeting the applicable material requirements shown in Table 1. Use Department-provided templates to record and calculate all test data. The Engineer and the Contractor will provide any available test results to the other party when requested.

Section 247.4.3., "Compaction." The first paragraph is voided and replaced by the following.

Compact using density control unless otherwise shown on the plans. Multiple lifts are permitted as shown on the plans or approved. Bring each layer to the moisture content directed. When necessary, sprinkle the material in accordance with Item 204, "Sprinkling." Maintain moisture during compaction within $\pm 2.0\%$ of the optimum moisture content as determined in accordance with [Tex-113-E](#).

Section 247.4.3.2., "Density Control." This Section is voided and replaced by the following.

Compact to at least 100% of the maximum dry density and within $\pm 2.0\%$ of the optimum moisture content as determined in accordance with [Tex-113-E](#), unless otherwise shown on the plans. Provide the Engineer with the beginning and ending station numbers of the area completed for testing. The Engineer will determine roadway density and moisture content of completed sections in accordance with [Tex-115-E](#), Part I. The Engineer will determine random locations for testing in accordance with [Tex-115-E](#), Part IV. Do not achieve density by drying the material after compaction.

When the density is less than 100% of the maximum dry density, the Engineer may perform additional testing to determine the extent of the area to correct. The Engineer may accept the section if no more than one of the five most recent density tests is below the specified density and the failing test is no more than 3 pcf below the specified density.

Section 247.4.3.3., "Miscellaneous and Small Areas." This Section is added.

Miscellaneous areas are those that typically involve handwork or discontinuous paving operations, such as temporary detours, driveways, mailbox turnouts, crossovers, gores, spot level-up areas, and other similar areas. Miscellaneous and small areas are not subject to random sampling procedure but may be tested as directed.

Section 247.4.6., "Ride Quality." This Section is voided and replaced by the following.

Measurement of ride quality only applies to the final travel lanes that receive a one- or two-course surface treatment for the final riding surface, unless otherwise shown on the plans. Measure the ride quality of the base course either before or after the application of the prime coat, as directed, and before placement of the surface treatment. Use a certified profiler operator on the Department's MPL. When requested, furnish the Engineer with documentation for the person certified to operate the profiler.

Provide all profile data to the Engineer in electronic data files within 3 days of measuring the ride quality using the format specified in [Tex-1001-S](#). The Engineer will use Department software to evaluate longitudinal profiles to determine areas requiring corrective action. Correct 0.1-mi. sections with an average international roughness index (IRI) value greater than 100 in. per mile to an IRI value of 100 in. per mile or less, unless otherwise shown on the plans. Re-profile and correct sections that fail to maintain ride quality before the placement of the surface treatment, as directed. Unless ride deterioration is due to environmental impact, traffic, or other incidents outside the Contractor's control, perform this work at no additional expense to the Department, as approved.

Special Provision to Item 300 Asphalt, Oils, and Emulsions



Item 300, "Asphalt, Oils, and Emulsions" of the Standard Specifications is replaced by Special Specification [3096](#), "Asphalts, Oils, and Emulsions." All Item 300 Special Provisions are no longer available, beginning with the April 2022 letting.

Special Provision to Item 302

Aggregates for Surface Treatments



Item 302, "Aggregates for Seal Coats," of the Standard Specifications, is hereby amended with respect to the clauses cited below, and no other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed hereby.

Section 2.1., "Aggregate." Tables 2 and 3 are voided and replaced by the following.

Table 2
Aggregate Gradation Requirements (Cumulative % Retained¹)

Sieve	Grade								
	1	2	3S ²	3		4S ²	4	5S ²	5
				Non-Lightweight	Lightweight				
1"	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
7/8"	0-2	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3/4"	20-35	0-2	0	0	0	-	-	-	-
5/8"	85-100	20-40	0-5	0-5	0-2	0	0	-	-
1/2"	-	80-100	55-85	20-40	10-25	0-5	0-5	0	0
3/8"	95-100	95-100	95-100	80-100	60-80	60-85	20-40	0-5	0-5
1/4"	-	-	-	95-100	95-100	-	-	65-85	-
#4	-	-	-	-	-	95-100	95-100	95-100	50-80
#8	99-100	99-100	99-100	98-100	98-100	98-100	98-100	98-100	98-100

1. Round test results to the nearest whole number.
2. Single-size gradation.

Table 3
Aggregate Quality Requirements

Property	Test Method	Requirement ¹	
		Minimum	Maximum
SAC	AQMP	As shown on the plans	
Deleterious Material ² , %	Tex-217-F , Part I	-	2.0
Decantation, %	Tex-406-A	-	1.5
Flakiness Index, %	Tex-224-F	-	17
Gradation	Tex-200-F , Part I	Table 2 Requirements	
Los Angeles Abrasion, %	Tex-410-A	-	35
Magnesium Sulfate Soundness, 5 Cycle, %	Tex-411-A	-	25
Micro-Deval Abrasion, %	Tex-461-A	Note 3	
Coarse Aggregate Angularity ⁴ , 2 Crushed Faces, %	Tex-460-A , Part I	85	-
Additional Requirements for Lightweight Aggregate			
Dry Loose Unit Wt., lb./cu. ft.	Tex-404-A	35	60
Pressure Slaking, %	Tex-431-A	-	6.0
Freeze-Thaw Loss, %	Tex-432-A	-	10.0
Water Absorption, 24hr., %	Tex-433-A	-	12.0

1. Material requirements are listed below, unless otherwise shown on the plans.
2. Not required for lightweight aggregate.
3. Used to estimate the magnesium sulfate soundness loss in accordance with Section 2.1.1.
4. Only required for crushed gravel.

Section 2.1.1., “Micro-Deval Abrasion,” is added.

The Engineer will perform a minimum of one Micro-Deval abrasion test in accordance with [Tex-461-A](#) for each coarse aggregate source per project that has a Rated Source Soundness Magnesium (RSSM) loss value greater than 15 as listed in the BRSQC. The Engineer may waive all Micro-Deval testing based on a satisfactory test history of the same aggregate source.

The Engineer will estimate the magnesium sulfate soundness loss for each coarse aggregate source, when tested, using the following formula.

$$Mg_{est.} = (RSSM)(MD_{act.}/RSMD)$$

where:

$Mg_{est.}$ = magnesium sulfate soundness loss

$MD_{act.}$ = actual Micro-Deval percent loss

$RSMD$ = Rated Source Micro-Deval

When the estimated magnesium sulfate soundness loss is greater than the maximum magnesium sulfate soundness loss specified, the coarse aggregate source will not be allowed for use unless otherwise approved by the Engineer. The Engineer may require additional testing before granting approval.

Section 2.2., “Precoating.” The third paragraph is voided and replaced by the following.

The Engineer retains the right to remove precoat material from aggregate samples in accordance with [Tex-210-F](#), or as recommended by the Construction Division, and test the aggregate to verify compliance with Table 2 and Table 3 requirements. Gradation testing may be performed with precoat intact.

Section 2.3., “Sampling,” is added.

Personnel who conduct sampling and witnessing of sampling must be certified by the Department-approved certification program. Supply the Engineer with a list of certified personnel and copies of their current certificates before beginning construction and when personnel changes are made. At any time during the project, the Engineer may perform production tests as deemed necessary in accordance with Item 5, “Control of the Work.”

The Engineer will sample aggregate from stockpiles located at the production site, intermediate distribution site, or project location in accordance with [Tex-221-F](#), Section 3.2.3. The Engineer will split each sample into 2 equal portions in accordance with [Tex-200-F](#), Section 3.3, and label these portions “Engineer” and “Contractor” or “Supplier.” Witness the sampling and splitting, and take immediate possession of the samples labeled “Contractor” or “Supplier”.

Section 2.4., “Reporting and Responsibilities,” is added.

The Engineer will provide test results to the Contractor and Supplier within 10 working days from the date the stockpile was sampled for sources listed on the Department’s Bituminous Rated Source Quality Catalog (BRSQC), unless otherwise directed. The Engineer will provide test results for the LA Abrasion ([Tex-410-A](#)) and Magnesium Sulfate Soundness ([Tex-411-A](#)) tests within 30 calendar days for sources not listed on the BRSQC, or for sources not meeting the requirements of Section 2.1.1., “Micro-Deval Abrasion.” The Engineer will report to the other party within 24 hours when any test result does not meet the requirements listed in Table 2 or Table 3.

Special Provision to Item 316

Seal Coat



Item 316, "Seal Coat" of the Standard Specifications is amended with respect to the clauses cited below. No other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed.

Section 4.8, "Asphalt Placement" is supplemented by the following:

4.8.5. Collect all samples in accordance with Tex-500-C, "Sampling Bituminous Materials, Pre-Molded Joint Fillers, and Joint Sealers" from the distributor and with witness by the Engineer.

At least once per project, collect split samples of each binder grade and source used. The Engineer will submit one split sample to MTD for testing and retain the other split sample.

In addition, collect one sample of each binder grade and source used on the project for each production day. The Engineer will retain these samples.

The Engineer will keep all retained samples for one yr., for hot-applied binders and cutback asphalts; or for two mo., for emulsified asphalts. The Engineer may submit retained samples to MTD for testing as necessary or as requested by MTD.

Special Provision to Item 334

Hot-Mix Cold-Laid Asphalt Concrete Pavement



Item 334, "Hot-Mix Cold-Laid Asphalt Concrete Pavement," of the Standard Specifications is amended with respect to the clauses cited below. No other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed hereby.

Section 334.4.1.2., "Job-Mix Formula Approval." Table 5 is voided and replaced by the following:

Table 5
Laboratory Mixture Design Properties

Property	Test Method	Requirement
Target laboratory-molded density, % ¹	Tex-207-F	94.0 ± 1.5
Hveem stability, Min	Tex-208-F	35
Cantabro loss, %, Max	Tex-245-F	10
Hydrocarbon-volatile content, %, Max	Tex-213-F	0.6
Moisture content, %, Max ²	Tex-212-F	1.0
Boil test, %, Max ³	Tex-530-C	10

1. Unless otherwise shown on the plans.
2. Unless otherwise approved.
3. Limit may be increased or eliminated when approved.

Special Provision to Item 340 Dense-Graded Hot-Mix (Small Quantity)



Item 340, "Dense-Graded Hot-Mix (Small Quantity)" of the Standard Specifications is replaced by Special Specification [3076](#), "Dense-Graded Hot-Mix Asphalt," Section 4.9.4., "Exempt Production." All Item 340 Special Provisions and bid codes are no longer available, beginning with the February 2022 letting.

Special Provision to Item 341 Dense-Graded Hot-Mix Asphalt



Item 341, "Dense-Graded Hot-Mix Asphalt" of the Standard Specifications is replaced by Special Specification [3076](#), "Dense-Graded Hot-Mix Asphalt." All Item 341 Special Provisions and bid codes are no longer available, beginning with the February 2020 letting.

Special Provision to Item 342 Permeable Friction Course (PFC)



Item 342, "Permeable Friction Course (PFC)" of the Standard Specifications is replaced by Special Specification [3079](#), "Permeable Friction Course." All Item 342 Special Provisions and bid codes are no longer available, beginning with the April 2022 letting.

Special Provision to Item 347 Thin Overlay Mixture (TOM)



Item 347, "Thin Overlay Mixture (TOM)" of the Standard Specifications is replaced by Special Specification [3081](#), "Thin Overlay Mixture (TOM)". All Item 347 Special Provisions and bid codes are no longer available, beginning with the April 2022 letting.

Special Provision to Item 348 Thin Bonded Friction Courses



Item 348, "Thin Bonded Friction Courses" of the Standard Specifications is replaced by Special Specification [3082](#), "Thin Bonded Friction Courses." All Item 348 Special Provisions and bid codes are no longer available, beginning with the April 2022 letting.

Special Provision to Item 360 Concrete Pavement



Item 360, "Concrete Pavement" of the Standard Specifications is amended with respect to the clauses cited below. No other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed.

Section 360.2.1., "Materials," the third paragraph is voided and replaced by the following:

For continuously reinforced concrete pavements, use a coarse aggregate with a rated coefficient of thermal expansion of not more than 5.5×10^{-6} in./in./°F as listed in the Department's *Concrete Rated Source Quality Catalog*.

Section 360.4.8.3., "Surface Texture," the second paragraph is voided and replaced by the following:

A metal-tine texture finish is required unless otherwise shown on the plans. Provide transverse or longitudinal tining unless otherwise shown on the plans. Immediately following the carpet drag, apply a single coat of evaporation retardant, if needed, at the rate recommended by the manufacturer. Provide the metal-tine finish immediately after the concrete surface has set enough for consistent tining. Operate the metal-tine device to obtain grooves approximately 3/16 in. deep, with a minimum depth of 1/8 in., and approximately 1/12 in. wide. Do not overlap a previously tined area. Use manual methods to achieve similar results on ramps, small or irregular areas, and narrow width sections of pavements. Repair damage to the edge of the slab and joints immediately after texturing. Do not tine pavement that will be overlaid or that is scheduled for blanket diamond grinding or shot blasting.

Special Provision to Item 420

Concrete Substructure



Item 420, "Concrete Substructures" of the Standard Specifications is amended with respect to the clause cited below. No other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed.

Article 420.6., "Payment." The first paragraph is replaced by the following:

The work performed and materials furnished in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under "Measurement" will be paid for at the unit price bid for the class of concrete and element identified and by the special designation when appropriate. This price is full compensation for furnishing, hauling, and mixing concrete materials; furnishing, bending, fabricating, splicing, welding and placing the required reinforcement; clips, blocks, metal spacers, ties, wire, or other materials used for fastening reinforcement in place; placing, finishing, and curing concrete; mass placement controls; applying ordinary surface finish; furnishing and placing drains, metal flashing strips, and expansion-joint material; excavation, subgrade preparation; and forms and falsework, equipment, labor, tools, and incidentals.

Special Provision to Item 421

Hydraulic Cement Concrete



Item 421, "Hydraulic Cement Concrete" of the Standard Specifications is amended with respect to the clauses cited below. No other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed.

Article 421.2., "Materials," the second sentence of the first paragraph is voided and replaced by the following.

Provide aggregates from sources listed in the Department's Concrete Rated Source Quality Catalog (CRSQC).

Article 421.2.2., Supplementary Cementing Materials (SCM), is voided and replaced with the following.

Supplementary Cementitious Materials (SCM).

- **Coal Ash.** Furnish sources of fly ash, , Modified fly ash (MFA), harvested coal ash, and Ground Bottom Ash (GBA) conforming to [DMS-4610](#), "Coal Ash."
- **Slag Cement.** Furnish Slag Cement in accordance with [DMS-4620](#), "Slag Cement."
- **Silica Fume.** Furnish silica fume in accordance with [DMS-4630](#), "Silica Fume."
- **Natural Pozzolans.** Furnish Natural Pozzolans in accordance with [DMS-4635](#), "Natural Pozzolans."

Article 421.3.1.3., "Agitators and Truck and Stationary Mixers," the first paragraph is voided and replaced by the following.

Provide stationary and truck mixers capable of combining the ingredients of the concrete into a thoroughly mixed and uniform mass and capable of discharging the concrete so that the requirements of [Tex-472-A](#) are met.

Article 421.3.1.3., "Agitators and Truck and Stationary Mixers," is supplemented with the following.

Truck mixers with automated water and chemical admixture measurement and slump and slump flow monitoring equipment meeting the requirement of ASTM C94 will be allowed. Provide data every 6 mo. substantiating the accuracy of slump, slump flow, temperature, water, and chemical admixture measurements. The slump measured by the automated system must be within 1 in. of the slump measured in accordance with [Tex-415-A](#). The concrete temperature measured by the automated system must be within 1°F of concrete temperature measured in accordance with [Tex-422-A](#). The Engineer will not use the automated measurements for acceptance.

Article 421.4.2., "Mix Design Proportioning," Table 8 is voided and replaced by the following.

Table 8
Concrete Classes

Class of Concrete	Design Strength, ¹ Min f'_c (psi)	Max w/cm Ratio	Coarse Aggregate Grades ^{2,3,4}	Cement Types	Mix Design Options	Exceptions to Mix Design Options	General Usage ⁵
A	3,000	0.60	1-4, 8	I, II, I/II, IL, IP, IS, IT, V	1, 2, 4, & 7	When the cementitious material content does not exceed 520 lb./cu. yd., any coal ash or natural pozzolan listed in the MPL may be used at a cement replacement of 20% to 50%.	Curb, gutter, curb & gutter, conc. retards, sidewalks, driveways, back-up walls, anchors, non-reinforced drilled shafts
B	2,000	0.60	2-7				Riprap, traffic signal controller foundations, small roadside signs, and anchors
C ⁶	3,600	0.45	1-6	I, II, I/II, IP, IL, IS, IT, V	1-8		Drilled shafts, bridge substructure, traffic rail, culverts except top slab of direct traffic culverts, headwalls, wing walls, inlets, manholes, traffic barrier
E	3,000	0.50	2-5	I, II, I/II, IL, IP, IS, IT, V	1-8	When the cementitious material content does not exceed 520 lb./cu. yd., any coal ash or natural pozzolan listed in the MPL may be used at a cement replacement of 20% to 50%.	Seal concrete
F ⁶	Note ⁷	0.45	2-5	I, II, I/II, IP, IL, IS, IT, V			Railroad structures; occasionally for bridge piers, columns, bents, post-tension members
H ⁶	Note ⁷	0.45	3-6	I, II, I/II, III, IP, IL, IS, IT, V	1-4, 8	<p>Mix design options 1-8 allowed for cast-in-place concrete and the following precast elements unless otherwise stated in the plans:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Bridge Deck Panels, ■ Retaining Wall Systems, ■ Coping, ■ Sound Walls, ■ Wall Columns, ■ Traffic Rail, ■ Traffic Barrier, ■ Long/Arch Span Culverts, and ■ precast concrete products included in Item 462, "Concrete Box Culverts and Drains, Item 464, "Reinforced Concrete Pipe," and Item 465, "Junction Boxes, Manholes, and Inlets." <p>Do not use Type III cement in mass placement concrete. Up to 20% of blended cement may be replaced with listed SCMs when Option 4 is used for precast concrete. Options 6, & 7 allowed for cast-in-place Class H concrete.</p>	Precast concrete, post-tension members
S ⁶	4,000	0.45	2-5	I, II, I/II, IP, IL, IS, IT, V	1-8		Bridge slabs, top slabs of direct traffic culverts, approach slabs

Class of Concrete	Design Strength, ¹ Min f_c (psi)	Max w/cm Ratio	Coarse Aggregate Grades ^{2,3,4}	Cement Types	Mix Design Options	Exceptions to Mix Design Options	General Usage ⁵
P	See Item 360, "Concrete Pavement."	0.50	2-3	I, II, I/II, IL, IP, IS, IT, V	1-8	When the cementitious material content does not exceed 520 lb./cu. yd., any coal ash or natural pozzolan listed in the MPL's may be used at a cement replacement of 20% to 50%.	Concrete pavement
CO ⁶	4,600	0.40	6	I, II, I/II, IP, IL, IS, IT, V	1-8		Bridge deck concrete overlay
LMC ⁶	4,000	0.40	6-8		Latex-modified concrete overlay		
SS ⁶	3,600	0.45	4-6	I, II, I/II, IP, IL, IS, IT, V	1-8	Use a Min cementitious material content of 658 lb./cu. yd. of concrete. Limit the alkali loading to 4.0 lbs./cu. yd. or less when using Option 7.	Slurry displacement shafts, underwater drilled shafts
K ⁶	Note ⁷	0.40	Note ⁷	I, II, I/II, III, IP, IL, IS, IT, V	1-8		Note ⁷
HES	Note ⁷	0.45	Note ⁷	I, IL, II, I/II, III		Mix design options do not apply. 700 lb. of cementitious material per cubic yard limit does not apply.	Concrete pavement, concrete pavement repair
"X" (HPC) <small>6,8,9</small>	Note ¹⁰	0.45	Note ¹⁰	I, II, I/II, III, IP, IL, IS, IT, V	1-4, & 8	Max coal ash replacement for Option 3 may be increased to 50%. Up to 20% of a blended cement may be replaced with listed SCMs for Option 4. Do not use Option 8 for precast concrete.	
"X" (SRC) <small>6,8,9</small>	Note ¹⁰	0.45	Note ¹⁰	I/II, II, IP, IL (MS or HS), IS, IT (MS or HS), V	1-4, & 7	When using coal ash, only use coal ashes allowed for SRC as listed in the Coal Ash MPL. Type III-MS may be used where allowed. Type I, Type IL, and Type III cements may be used when natural pozzolans are used or when coal ashes allowed for SRC as listed in the Coal Ash MPL are used, and with a Max w/cm of 0.40. Up to 20% of blended cement may be replaced with listed SCMs when Option 4 is used for precast concrete. Use Option 7 for precast concrete where allowed.	

- Design strength must be attained within 56 days.
- Do not use Grade 1 coarse aggregate except in massive foundations with 4 in. Min clear spacing between reinforcing steel bars, unless otherwise permitted. Do not use Grade 1 aggregate in drilled shafts.
- Use Grade 8 aggregate in extruded curbs unless otherwise approved.
- Other grades of coarse aggregate maybe used in non-structural concrete classes when allowed by the Engineer.
- For information only.
- Structural concrete classes.
- As shown on the plans or specified.
- "X" denotes class of concrete shown on the plans or specified.
- (HPC): High Performance Concrete, (SRC): Sulfate Resistant Concrete.
- Same as class of concrete shown on the plans.

Article 421.4.2.2., “Aggregates,” is supplemented by the following.

Use the following equation to determine if the aggregate combination meets the sand equivalency requirement when blending fine aggregate or using an intermediate aggregate:

$$\frac{(SE_1 \times P_1) + (SE_2 \times P_2) + (SE_{ia} \times P_{ia})}{100} \geq 80\%$$

where:

SE_1 = sand equivalency (%) of fine aggregate 1

SE_2 = sand equivalency (%) of fine aggregate 2

SE_{ia} = sand equivalency (%) of intermediate aggregate passing the 3/8 in. sieve

P_1 = percent by weight of fine aggregate 1 of the fine aggregate blend

P_2 = percent by weight of fine aggregate 2 of the fine aggregate blend

P_{ia} = percent by weight of intermediate aggregate passing the 3/8 in. sieve

Article 421.4.2.3., Chemical Admixtures,” the second paragraph is voided and replaced with the following.

Use a 30% calcium nitrite solution when a corrosion-inhibiting admixture is required. Dose the admixture at the rate of gallons of admixture per cubic yard of concrete shown on the plans. Use set retarding admixtures, as needed, to control setting time to ensure concrete containing corrosion inhibiting admixtures remain workable for the entire duration of the concrete placement. Perform setting time testing and slump loss testing during trial batch testing.

Article 421.4.2.5., “Slump,” the second paragraph is voided and not replaced. Table 9 is voided and replaced with below:

Table 9
Placement Slump Requirements

General Usage	Placement Slump Range, ^{1,2} in.
Walls (over 9 in. thick), caps, columns, piers	3 – 7
Bridge slabs, top slabs of direct traffic culverts, approach slabs, concrete overlays, latex-modified concrete for bridge deck overlays	3 – 6
Inlets, manholes, walls (less than 9 in. thick), bridge railing, culverts, concrete traffic barrier, concrete pavement (formed)	4 – 6
Precast concrete	4 – 9
Underwater concrete placements	6 – 8-1/2
Drilled shafts, slurry displaced and underwater drilled shafts	See Item 416, “Drilled Shaft Foundations.”
Curb, gutter, curb and gutter, concrete retards, sidewalk, driveways, seal concrete, anchors, riprap, small roadside sign foundations, concrete pavement repair, concrete repair	As approved

1. Max slump values may be increase above these values shown using chemical admixtures, provided the admixture treated concrete has the same or lower water-to-cementitious ratio and does not exhibit segregation or excessive bleeding. Request approval to increase slump limits in advance for proper evaluation by the Engineer.
2. For fiber reinforced concrete, perform slump before addition of fibers.

Article 421.4.2.6., “Mix Design Options,” is voided and replaced with the following.

Option 1. Replace cement with at least the minimum dosage listed in the MPL for the coal ash or natural pozzolan used in the mixture. Do not replace more than 50% of the cement. Conduct Option 8 testing as listed on the MPL.

Option 2. Replace 35% to 50% of the cement with slag cement.

Option 3. Replace 35% to 50% of the cement with a combination of coal ash, slag cement, natural pozzolan, or at least 3% silica fume; however, no more than 10% may be silica fume.

Option 4. Use Type IP, Type IS, or Type IT cement as allowed in Table 8 for each class of concrete. When replacing blended cements with additional SCM's, the replacement limits in Option 3 will apply to the final cementitious mixture. When using coal

ash or natural pozzolans not having a minimum dosage listed in the MPL in the final cementitious mixture, perform Option 8 testing.

Option 5. Option 5 is left intentionally blank.

Option 6. Use a lithium nitrate admixture at a minimum dosage determined by testing conducted in accordance with [Tex-471-A](#). Before use of the mix, provide an annual certified test report signed and sealed by a licensed professional engineer, from a laboratory listed on the MPL, certified by the Materials and Tests Division as being capable of testing according to [Tex-471-A](#).

Option 7. Ensure the total alkali contribution from the cement in the concrete does not exceed 3.5 lb. per cubic yard of concrete when using hydraulic cement not containing SCMs calculated as follows:

$$\text{lb. alkali per cu. yd.} = \frac{(\text{lb. cement per cu. yd.}) \times (\% \text{ Na}_2\text{O equivalent in cement})}{100}$$

In the above calculation, use the maximum cement alkali content reported on the cement mill certificate.

Option 8. Use Table 10 when deviating from Options 1–3 or when required by the Coal Ash MPL. Perform required testing annually and submit results to the Engineer. Laboratories performing ASTM C1260, ASTM C1567, and ASTM C1293 testing must be listed on the MPL. Before use of the mix, provide a certified test report signed and sealed by a licensed professional engineer demonstrating the proposed mixture in accordance with the requirements of Table 10.

Provide a certified test report signed and sealed by a licensed professional engineer, when HPC is required, and less than 20% of the cement is replaced with SCMs, demonstrating ASTM C1876 test results indicate the uniaxial resistivity of the concrete is greater than 15.6 kΩ-cm tested immediately after either of the following curing schedules:

- Moisture cure specimens 56 days at 73°F.
- Moisture cure specimens 7 days at 73°F followed by 21 days at 100°F.

Table 10
Option 8 Testing and Mix Design Requirements

Scenario	ASTM C1260 Result		Testing Requirements for Mix Design Materials or Prescriptive Mix Design Options
	Mix Design Fine Aggregate	Mix Design Coarse Aggregate	
A	> 0.10%	> 0.10%	Determine the dosage of SCMs needed to limit the 14-day expansion of each aggregate ¹ to 0.10% when tested individually in accordance with ASTM C1567.
B	≤ 0.10%	≤ 0.10%	Use the Min replacement listed in the Coal Ash MPL, or when Option 8 is listed on the MPL, use a Min of 40% coal ash with a Max CaO ² content of 25%, or use any ternary combination which replaces 35% to 50% of cement.
	≤ 0.10%	ASTM C1293 1 yr. Expansion ≤ 0.04%	Use a minimum of 20% of any coal ash; or Use any ternary combination which replaces 20% to 50% of cement.
C	≤ 0.10%	> 0.10%	Determine the dosage of SCMs needed to limit the 14-day expansion of coarse and intermediate ¹ aggregate to ≤0.10% when tested individually in accordance with ASTM C1567.
D	> 0.10%	≤ 0.10%	Use the Min replacement listed in the Coal Ash MPL, or when Option 8 is listed on the MPL, use a Min of 40% coal ash with a Max CaO ² content of 25%, or use any ternary combination which replaces 35% to 50% of cement.
	> 0.10%	ASTM C1293 1 yr. Expansion ≤ 0.04%	Determine the dosage of SCMs needed to limit the 14-day expansion of each fine aggregate to ≤0.10% when individually tested in accordance with ASTM C1567.

1. Intermediate size aggregates will fall under the requirements of mix design coarse aggregate.
2. Average the CaO content from the previous ten values as listed on the test certificate.

Article 421.4.2.7., “Optimized Aggregate Gradation (OAG) Concrete,” the first sentence of the first paragraph is voided and replaced by the following.

The gradations requirements in Table 4 and Table 6 do not apply when OAG concrete is specified or used by the Contractor unless otherwise shown on the plans.

The fineness modulus for fine aggregate listed in Table 5, does not apply when OAG concrete is used,

Article 421.4.6.2., Delivering Concrete,” the third paragraph is supplemented by the following.

When truck mixers are equipped with automated water or chemical admixture measurement and slump or slump flow monitoring equipment, the addition of water or chemical admixtures during transit is allowed. Reports generated by this equipment must be submitted to the Engineer daily.

Article 421.4.6.2., “Delivering Concrete,” the fifth paragraph is voided and replaced with the following. Begin the discharge of concrete delivered in truck mixers within the times listed in Table 14. Concrete delivered after these times, and concrete that has not begun to discharge within these times will be rejected.

Article 421.4.8.3., “Testing of Fresh Concrete,” is voided and replaced with the following.

Testing Concrete. The Engineer, unless specified in other Items or shown on the plans, will test the fresh and hardened concrete in accordance with the following methods:

- Slump. [Tex-415-A](#);
- Air Content. [Tex-414-A](#) or [Tex-416-A](#);
- Temperature. [Tex-422-A](#);
- Making and Curing Strength Specimens. [Tex-447-A](#);
- Compressive Strength. [Tex-418-A](#);
- Flexural Strength. [Tex-448-A](#); and
- Maturity. [Tex-426-A](#).

Flexural strength and maturity specimens will not be made unless specified in other items or shown on the plans.

Concrete with slump less than minimum required after all addition of water withheld will be rejected, unless otherwise allowed by the Engineer. Concrete with slump exceeding maximum allowed may be used at the Contractor's option. If used, Engineer will make, test, and evaluate strength specimens as specified in Article 421.5., "Acceptance of Concrete." Acceptance of concrete not meeting air content or temperature requirements will be determined by Engineer. Fresh concrete exhibiting segregation and excessive bleeding will be rejected.

Article 421.4.8.3.1., "Job-Control Testing," is voided and not replaced.

Special Provision to Item 423

Retaining Walls



Item 423, "Retaining Walls" of the Standard Specifications is amended with respect to the clauses cited below. No other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed.

Article 423.2.1., "General" is supplemented with the following:

Construct permanent retaining walls approved for use in accordance with [DMS 4800](#), "Proprietary Earth Retaining Wall System," and on the Approved System list for Concrete Block Retaining Walls Systems and Mechanically Stabilized Earth Panel Type Systems.

Article 423.2.4.2., "Select." The following sentence will be added to the fifth paragraph:

When Type CS select fill is used for cement stabilized backfill, the Plasticity Index (PI) as determined by Test Method [Tex-106-E](#) should not exceed six.

Special Provision to Item 440

Reinforcement for Concrete



Item 440, "Reinforcement for Concrete," of the Standard Specifications is amended with respect to the clauses cited below. No other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed.

Article 440.2., "Materials," is supplemented with the following.

- 2.7. **Welded Deformed Bar Mat Reinforcement.** Provide welded deformed bar mats in accordance with ASTM A184 except as otherwise noted in this Specification. Fabricate welded bar mats from deformed steel bars in accordance with ASTM A706 by securely connecting every intersection with a process of electrical resistance welding that employs the principle of fusion combined with pressure. The bars must be assembled by automatic machines or by other suitable mechanical means that will assure accurate spacing and alignment of all bars of the finished product.
- 2.14. **Zinc-Coated, Hot-Dip Galvanized Class I or Class II Steel Reinforcement.** Provide zinc-coated, hot-dip galvanized Class I or Class II steel reinforcement in accordance with ASTM A767, Grade 60 or Grade 75, when shown on the plans and as allowed.
- 2.15. **Continuously Hot-Dip Galvanized Reinforcement (CGR).** Provide CGR in accordance with ASTM A1094 steel reinforcement, Grade 60 or Grade 75, when shown on the plans and as allowed.

Section 440.2.1., "Approved Mills." The second paragraph is voided and not replaced.

Section 440.2.5., "Weldable Reinforcing Steel," is supplemented with the following.

All welding operations must be performed before hot-dip galvanizing.

Section 440.2.8., "Mechanical Couplers," is voided and replaced with the following.

Use couplers of the type specified in [DMS-4510](#), "Mechanical Couplers for Reinforcing Steel," Section 4510.6.1., "General Requirements," when mechanical splices in reinforcing steel bars are shown on the plans.

Furnish only couplers pre-qualified in accordance with [DMS-4510](#), "Mechanical Couplers for Reinforcing Steel." Ensure sleeve-wedge type couplers are not used on coated reinforcing. Sample mechanical couplers in accordance with [Tex-743-I](#) for testing before use on individual projects. Test the mechanical couplers for every project in which mechanical couplers are used in accordance with [Tex-744-I](#). Furnish couplers only at locations shown on the plans.

Furnish couplers for stainless reinforcing steel with the same alloy designation as the reinforcing steel.

Provide hot-dip or mechanically galvanized couplers when splicing galvanized reinforcing or CGR.

Section 440.2.11., "Low Carbon/Chromium Reinforcing Steel." The first sentence is voided and replaced by the following.

Provide deformed steel bars in accordance with ASTM A1035, Grade 100, Type CS, when low-carbon, chromium-reinforcing steel is required on the plans. Type CM will be permitted only if specified on the plans.

Section 440.3.1., "Bending," is supplemented with the following.

Do not bend hot-dip galvanized reinforcement. Only minor positioning adjustments are permitted.

Bending of CGR is permitted after galvanizing.

Section 440.3.5., “Placing.” The following will be added to the fourth paragraph.

Use Class 1 or Class 1A supports with CGR. Provide epoxy- or plastic-coated tie wires and clips for use with epoxy-coated reinforcing steel.

Section 440.3.6.3., “Repairing Coating,” is supplemented with the following:

Repair damaged galvanized surfaces in accordance with Section 445.3.5.2., “Repair Processes.”

Special Provision to Item 441

Steel Structures



Item 441, "Steel Structures" of the Standard Specifications is amended with respect to the clauses cited below. No other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed.

Section 441.2.2., "Approved Electrodes and Flux-Electrode Combinations," is voided and replaced with the following:

Use only electrodes and flux-electrode combinations conforming to AWS A5 specifications, and pertinent classifications for the applicable welding processes. When requested, submit a current Certificate of Conformance (COC) containing all test results as required by the applicable AWS A5 specification and welding code. Provide proof of Buy America compliance for welding consumables when requested. For bridge main member fabrication, submit the COC annually.

Section 441.2.3., "High-Strength Bolts," is revised and replaced by the following:

Use fasteners that meet Item 447, "Structural Bolting." Use galvanized fasteners on field connections of bridge members when ASTM F3125-Grade A325 bolts are specified, and steel is painted.

Section 441.3.1.5.1., "Plants," The second and third paragraphs are voided and replaced with the following:

Fabrication plants that produce the following non-bridge steel members must be approved in accordance with DMS-7380, "Steel Non-Bridge Member Fabrication Plant Qualification."

- Item 610, "Roadway Illumination Poles"
- Item 613, "High Mast Illumination Poles"
- Item 614, "High Mast Rings and Support Assemblies"
- Item 650, "Overhead Sign Support Structures"
- Item 654, "Sign Walkways"
- Item 686, "Traffic Signal Poles"
- Special Specification 6064, "Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) Poles."

The Materials and Tests Division (MTD) maintains a list of approved non-bridge fabrication plants on the Department MPL that produce these members.

Section 441.3.1.6.1., "Erection Drawings," the third paragraph is voided and replaced with the following:

Perform erection engineering evaluation of the structural adequacy and stability of constructing the bridge system for each step of the steel erection.

Section 441.3.1.5.3., "Nondestructive Testing (NDT)," is voided and replaced with the following:

Personnel performing NDT must be qualified in accordance with the applicable AWS code and the employer's Written Practice. Level III personnel who qualifies Level I and Level II technicians must be certified by ASNT for which the NDT Level III is qualified. In addition, NDT technicians must pass hands-on tests that MTD administers. This will remain current provided they continue to perform testing on Department materials as evidenced by test reports requiring their signature. A technician who fails any of the hands-on tests must wait 3 mo. or as approved otherwise before retesting. Qualification to perform NDT will be revoked when the technician's employment is terminated or when the technician goes 6 mo. without performing a test on a Department project. The technician must pass a new hands-on test to be re-certified. Testing of similar weld joints for non-Department projects may be considered by the Engineer instead of re-testing provided enough documentation is submitted with the signature of the project's Engineer. These requirements also apply to testing agencies, and individual third-party contractors.

Section 441.3.1.5.4., “Welding Procedure Specification Qualification Testing,” is voided and replaced by the following:

For Fabricators qualified in accordance with DMS-7370, DMS-7380, or DMS-7395, laboratories performing procedure qualification testing for welding procedure specifications (WPSs) must be accredited by a nationally recognized agency that performs testing in accordance with ISO/International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC) 17025 in the mechanical field of testing.

Section 441.3.1.9., “Material Identification,” is amended to include the following paragraph:

Low-stress stencil marks must have a radius instead of a sharp point. Acceptable stencils include dot, vibration, and rounded-V stencils. Label these stencils so that they are easily distinguishable from other stencils that are not low-stress.

Section 441.3.2.4.1., “Flange Tilt,” the last sentence is voided and replaced with the following:

Minor jacking that does not deform the material will be permitted.

Section 441.3.2.5.3., “Magnetic Particle Testing,” is voided and replaced with the following:

Use alternating current (AC) when using the yoke method unless otherwise approved. Welds may be further evaluated with half-wave rectified DC for subsurface indications. Centerline cracking may be detected with aluminum prod method when approved.

Section 441.3.5.8., “Hammering,” is added to state the following:

Do not perform hammering on any portion of the member that causes the material to permanently deform. Avoid damage to the material by measures such as use of brass or aluminum hammers or by padding the area to be hammered.

Section 441.3.8.1., “Shop Painting,” is amended to include with the following paragraph:

Measure the anchor profile after blast cleaning at random locations along the thermal cut surfaces. If specified anchor profile is not achieved over the entire flame cut surface, grind the edges and re-blast to achieve the required anchor pattern.

Section 441.3.9., “Handling and Storage of Materials,” The second sentence of the second paragraph is replaced by the following:

Keep materials clean and avoid damaging of the applied coating.

Special Provision to Item 442

Metal for Structures



Item 442, "Metal for Structures" of the Standard Specifications is amended with respect to the clause cited below. No other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed.

Section 442.2.1.3.3., "Fasteners." The first sentence of the first paragraph is replaced by the following:

Fasteners. Provide high-strength bolts that meet ASTM F3125-Grade A325 unless otherwise shown on the plans.

Section 442.2.1.3.3., "Fasteners." The third paragraph is deleted and not replaced.

Special Provision to Item 446

Field Cleaning and Painting Steel



For this project, Item 446, "Field Cleaning and Painting Steel," of the Standard Specifications, is hereby amended with respect to the clauses cited below, and no other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed hereby.

Section 446.4.1., "Qualification," the first and second paragraphs are voided and replaced by the following:

Submit to the Engineer documentation verifying SSPC QP 1 or NACE NIICAP AS-1 certification for work requiring the removal or application of coatings. Additionally, submit to the Engineer documentation verifying SSPC QP 2 Cat A or NACE NIICAP AS-2 certification when work requires removal of coatings containing hazardous materials. Maintain certifications throughout the project. No work may be performed without current and active certifications unless otherwise shown on the plans. The Engineer may waive certification requirements for minor, touch-up repair work and coating steel members repaired in accordance with Item 784, "Steel Member Repair."

The Engineer may waive certification requirements, when stated on the plans, for the purpose of qualification in either contractor certification program if the project has been accepted as a qualification project as part of the process for obtaining SSPC QP1 Cat A or NACE NIICAP AS-1 certification. Submit certification applications and proof of acceptance before beginning work or provide SSPC QP 7 certification when required on the plans.

Section 446.4.7.3.2., "Classes of Cleaning," is amended with the following:

Prepare all surfaces of painted steel members subsequently exposed from structural operations, such as deck removal or steel repair, in accordance with this Item. Prevent loose or damaged paint from entering the environment.

Special Provision to Item 448

Structural Field Welding



Item 448, "Structural Field Welding" of the Standard Specifications is amended with respect to the clauses cited below. No other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed.

Article 448.2., "Materials," the third paragraph is voided and replaced with the following:

Use only electrodes and flux-electrode combinations conforming to AWS A5 specifications and pertinent classifications for the applicable welding processes. When requested, submit a current Certificate of Conformance (COC) containing acceptable wording indicating Buy America compliance and all tests required by the applicable AWS specifications and welding codes. Tests must be conducted on electrodes of the same class, size, and brand; and manufactured by the same process and with the same materials as the electrodes to be furnished.

Special Provision to Item 449

Anchor Bolts



Item 449, "Anchor Bolts" of the Standard Specifications is amended with respect to the clause cited below. No other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed.

Section 449.2.1., "Bolts and Nuts." Table 1 is replaced by the following:

Table 1
Bolt and Nut Standards

Specified Anchor Bolt Category	Bolt Standards	Nut Standards
Mild steel	ASTM A307 Gr. A, F1554 Gr. 36, or A36	ASTM A563
Medium-strength, mild steel	ASTM F1554 Gr. 55 with supplementary requirement S1	ASTM A194 Gr. 2 or A563 Gr. D or better
High-strength steel	ASTM F3125-Grade A325 or ASTM A449 ¹	ASTM A194 or A563, heavy hex
Alloy steel	ASTM A193 Gr. B7 or F1554 Gr. 105	ASTM A194 Gr. 2H or A563 Gr. DH, heavy hex

1. If headed bolts are specified, ASTM A449 bolts must be heavy hex head.

Section 449.3.3.1, "Anchor Bolt Thread Lubricant Coating," The first sentence of the first paragraph is voided and replaced by the following.

Coat anchor bolt threads before installing nuts with an electrically conducting lubricant compound described in Section 449.3.3.2.1., "Definitions," for traffic signal poles, roadway illumination poles, high mast illumination poles, intelligent transportation system poles, overhead sign support structures, and steel electrical service supports.

Section 449.3.3.2, "Anchor Bolt Tightening Procedure," The first sentence of the first paragraph is voided and replaced by the following.

Tighten anchor bolts for traffic signal poles, shoe base and concrete traffic barrier base roadway illumination poles, high mast illumination poles, intelligent transportation system poles, and overhead sign support structures in accordance with this Section.

Special Provision to Item 450

Railing



Item 450, "Railing" of the Standard Specifications is amended with respect to the clauses cited below. No other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed.

Section 450.3.1.2, "Fabrication," is supplemented with the following.

Fabrication plants that produce metal railing (steel and aluminum) must be approved in accordance with DMS-7395, "Metal Railing Fabrication Plant Qualification." This required approval does not include fabricators of chain link fence. The Materials and Tests Division maintains a MPL of approved fabrication plants of metal railing.

Permanently mark each metal railing post base plate, at a visible location when erected, with the fabrication plant's insignia or trademark. For fabricated rail panels, provide this permanent mark on one post base plate, per panel.

Special Provision to Item 462

Concrete Box Culverts and Drains



Item 462, "Concrete Box Culverts and Drains," of the Standard Specifications, is hereby amended with respect to the clauses cited below, and no other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed hereby.

Section 2.1., "General." The last paragraph is voided and replaced with the following:

Furnish material for precast formed and machine-made box culverts in accordance with DMS-7305, "Fabrication and Qualification Procedure for Multi-Project Fabrication Plants of Precast Concrete Drainage Structures."

Sections 2.2.2., "Formed Precast," and 2.2.3., "Machine-Made Precast," are voided and replaced by the following.

2.2.2 **Precast.** Precast formed and machine –made box culvert fabrication plants must be approved in accordance with DMS-7305, "Fabrication and Qualification Procedure for Multi-Project Fabrication Plants of Precast Concrete Drainage Structures." The Construction Division maintains a list of approved precast box culvert fabrication plants on the Department's MPL. Fabricate precast boxes in accordance with DMS-7305, "Fabrication and Qualification Procedure for Multi-Project Fabrication Plants of Precast Concrete Drainage Structures."

Sections 2.3.2., "Formed Precast," and 2.3.3., "Machine-Made Precast," are voided and replaced by the following.

2.3.2 **Precast.** Make, cure, and test compressive test specimens for precast formed and machine –made box culverts in accordance with DMS-7305, "Fabrication and Qualification Procedure for Multi-Project Fabrication Plants of Precast Concrete Drainage Structures."

Section 2.5., "Marking," the first paragraph is voided and replaced with the following.

Marking. Clearly mark each precast unit with the following:

- Name or trademark of fabricator and plant location;
- ASTM designation and product designation (when applicable);
- Date of manufacture,
- Box size,
- Minimum and maximum fill heights,
- Designation "TX" for precast units fabricated per DMS-7305,
- Fabricator's designated approval stamp for each approved unit,
- Designation "SR" for boxes meeting sulfate-resistant concrete plan requirements (when applicable), and
- Precast drainage structures used for jacking and boring (when applicable).

Section 2.6., "Tolerances." The section is voided and replaced with the following.

Ensure precast sections meet the permissible variations listed in ASTM C1577.

Ensure that the sides of a section at each end do not vary from being perpendicular to the top and bottom by more than 1/2 in. when measured diagonally between opposite interior corners. Deviations from this tolerance will be acceptable if the sections can be fitted at the plant and the joint opening at any point does not exceed 1 in. Use match-marks for proper installation on sections that have been accepted in this manner.

Ensure wall and slab thicknesses are not less than shown on the plans except for occasional deficiencies not greater than 3/16 in. or 5%, whichever is greater. If proper jointing is not affected, thicknesses in excess of plan requirements are acceptable.

Section 2.7., “Defects and Repair.” The section is voided and replaced with the following:

Fine cracks on the surface of members that do not extend to the plane of the nearest reinforcement are acceptable unless the cracks are numerous and extensive. Repair cracks that extend into the plane of the reinforcing steel in accordance with the Department’s Concrete Repair Manual. The Engineer may accept boxes with repairs that are sound, properly finished, and cured in conformance with pertinent specifications. Discontinue further production of precast sections until corrections are made and proper curing is provided when fine cracks on the surface indicate poor curing practices.

Repair precast boxes in accordance with DMS-7305, “Fabrication and Qualification Procedure for Multi-Project Fabrication Plants of Precast Concrete Drainage Structures.”

Section 2.8., “Storage and Shipment.” This section is voided and replaced with the following:

- 2.8 **Storage and Shipment.** Store precast sections on a level surface. Do not place any load on the sections until design strength is reached and curing is complete. Store and ship precast boxes in accordance with DMS-7305, “Fabrication and Qualification Production for Multi-Project Fabrication Plants of Precast Concrete Drainage Structures.

Special Provision to Item 464

Reinforced Concrete Pipe



Item 464, "Reinforced Concrete Pipe," of the Standard Specifications, is hereby amended with respect to the clauses cited below, and no other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed hereby.

Section 2.1., "Fabrication." The section is voided and replaced with the following.

Fabrication plants must be approved by the Materials and Tests Division in accordance with DMS-7305, "Fabrication and Qualification Procedure for Multi-Project Fabrication Plants of Precast Concrete Drainage Structures," before furnishing precast reinforced concrete pipe for Departmental projects. The Department's MPL has a list of approved reinforced concrete pipe plants.

Furnish material and fabricate reinforced concrete pipe in accordance with DMS-7305, "Fabrication and Qualification Procedure for Multi-Project Fabrication Plants of Precast Concrete Drainage Structures."

Section 2.3., "Marking." The first paragraph is voided and replaced with the following.

Furnish each section of reinforced concrete pipe marked with the following information specified in DMS-7305, "Fabrication and Qualification Procedure for Multi-Project Fabrication Plants of Precast Concrete Drainage Structures."

- Class or D-Load of pipe,
- ASTM designation,
- Date of manufacture,
- Pipe size,
- Name or trademark of fabricator and plant location,
- Designation "TX" for precast units fabricated per DMS-7305;
- Designated fabricator's approval stamp for each approved unit,
- Pipe to be used for jacking and boring (when applicable), and
- Designation "SR" for pipe meeting sulfate-resistant concrete plan requirements (when applicable).

Section 2.5., "Causes for Rejection." The section is voided and replaced with the following.

Individual sections of pipe may be rejected for any of the conditions stated in the Annex of DMS-7305, "Fabrication and Qualification Procedure for Multi-Project Fabrication Plants of Precast Concrete Drainage Structures."

Section 2.6., "Repairs." The section is voided and replaced with the following:

Make repairs, if necessary, as stated in the Annex of DMS-7305, "Fabrication and Qualification Procedure for Multi-Project Fabrication Plants of Precast Concrete Drainage Structures."

Special Provision to Item 465

Junction Boxes, Manholes, and Inlets



Item 465, "Junction Boxes, Manholes, and Inlets," of the Standard Specifications, is hereby amended with respect to the clauses cited below, and no other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed hereby.

Section 2.1., "Concrete," The section is voided and replaced with the following.

Furnish concrete per DMS-7305 for formed and machine-made precast junction boxes, manholes, and inlets. Furnish Class C concrete for cast-in-place junction boxes, manholes, and inlets unless otherwise shown on the plans.

Section 3.1., "Precast Junction Boxes, Manholes, and Inlets," The section is voided and replaced with the following.

Construct formed and machine-made precast junction boxes, manholes, and inlets in accordance with DMS-7305, "Fabrication and Qualification Procedure for Multi-Project Fabrication Plants of Precast Concrete Drainage Structures" and the Contract Plans, except as otherwise noted in this Item.

Multi-project fabrication plants as defined in Item 424 "Precast Concrete Structural Members (Fabrication)," that produce junction boxes, manholes, and inlets will be approved by the Materials and Tests Division in accordance with DMS-7305, "Fabrication and Qualification Procedure for Multi-Project Fabrication Plants of Precast Concrete Drainage Structures." The Department's MPL has a list of approved multi-project fabrication plants.

Section 3.1.1., "Lifting Holes," The section is voided and not replaced.

Section 3.1.2., "Marking," The section is voided and replaced with the following.

Marking. Clearly mark each precast junction box, manhole, and inlet unit with the following information:

- name or trademark of fabricator and plant location;
- product designation;
- ASTM designation (if applicable);
- date of manufacture;
- designation "TX" for precast units fabricated per DMS-7305;
- designated fabricator's approval stamp for each approved unit; and
- designation "SR" for product meeting sulfate-resistant concrete plan requirements (when applicable).

Special Provision to Item 502

Barricades, Signs and Traffic Handling



Item 502, "Barricades, Signs and Traffic Handling" of the Standard Specifications, is hereby amended with respect to the clauses cited below, and no other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed hereby.

Article 502.1., "Description," is supplemented by the following:

Temporary work-zone (TWZ) traffic control devices manufactured after December 31, 2019, must have been successfully tested to the crashworthiness requirements of the 2016 edition of the Manual for Assessing Safety Hardware (MASH). Such devices manufactured on or before this date and successfully tested to NCHRP Report 350 or the 2009 edition of MASH may continue to be used throughout their normal service lives. An exception to the manufacture date applies when, based on the project's date of letting, a category of MASH-2016 compliant TWZ traffic control devices are not approved, or are not self-certified after the December 31, 2019, date. In such case, devices that meet NCHRP-350 or MASH-2009 may be used regardless of the manufacture date.

Such TWZ traffic control devices include: portable sign supports, barricades, portable traffic barriers designated exclusively for use in temporary work zones, crash cushions designated exclusively for use in temporary work zones, longitudinal channelizers, truck and trailer mounted attenuators. Category I Devices (i.e., lightweight devices) such as cones, tubular markers and drums without lights or signs attached however, may be self-certified by the vendor or provider, with documentation provided to Department or as are shown on Department's Compliant Work Zone Traffic Control Device List.

Article 502.4., "Payment," is supplemented by the following:

Truck mounted attenuators and trailer attenuators will be paid for under Special Specification, "Truck Mounted Attenuator (TMA) and Trailer Attenuator (TA)." Portable Changeable Message Signs will be paid for under Special Specification, "Portable Changeable Message Sign." Portable Traffic Signals will be paid for under Special Specification, "Portable Traffic Signals."

Special Provision to Item 506

Temporary Erosion, Sedimentation, and Environmental Controls



Item 506, "Temporary Erosion, Sedimentation, and Environmental Controls," of the Standard Specifications is amended with respect to the clauses cited below. No other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed.

Article 506.1., "Description." The second paragraph is voided and replaced by the following.

Contractor is considered primary operator to have day-to-day operational control as defined in TPDES GP TXR150000.

- 1.1. For projects with soil disturbance of less than 1 acre, no submittal to TCEQ will be required but Contractor will follow SWP3. For projects with soil disturbance of 1 acre to less than 5 acres a small site notice will be posted at the site. For projects with soil disturbance of 5 acres or more a Notice of Intent (NOI) is required and a large site notice posted at site. Postings will be in accordance with TPDES GP TXR150000. Postings not associated with project specific locations will be in same location as Department's postings.
- 1.2. **Notice of Intent (NOI).** Submit a NOI, if applicable, with the TCEQ under the TPDES GP TXR150000 at least 7 days prior to commencement of construction activities at the project site. Provide a signed copy to the Engineer and any other MS4 operators at the time of submittal. The Department will submit their NOI prior to contractor submission and will provide a copy for Contractor's use in completing the Contractor's NOI form.
- 1.3. **Notice of Change (NOC).** Upon concurrence of the Engineer, submit a NOC, if applicable, to the TCEQ within 14 days of discovery of a change or revision to the NOI as required by the TPDES GP TXR150000. Provide a signed copy of the NOC to the Engineer and any other MS4 operators at the time of submittal.
- 1.4. **Notice of Termination (NOT).** Upon concurrence of the Engineer, submit a NOT, if applicable, to the TCEQ within 30 days of the Engineer's approval that 70% native background vegetative cover is met or equivalent permanent stabilization have been employed in accordance with the TPDES GP TXR 150000. Provide a signed copy of the NOT to the Engineer and any other MS4 operators at the time of submittal.

Section 506.3.1, "Contractor Responsible Person Environmental (CRPE) Qualifications and Responsibilities," is supplemented by the following:

- 3.1. **Contractor Responsible Person Environmental (CRPE) Qualifications and Responsibilities.** Provide and designate in writing at the preconstruction conference a CRPE and alternate CRPE who have overall responsibility for the storm water management program. The CRPE will implement stormwater and erosion control practices; will oversee and observe stormwater control measure monitoring and management; will monitor the project site daily and produce daily monitoring reports as long as there are BMPs in place or soil disturbing activities are evident to ensure compliance with the SWP3 and TPDES General Permit TXR150000. Daily monitor reports shall be maintained and made available upon request. During time suspensions when work is not occurring or on contract non-work days, daily inspections are not required unless a rain event has occurred. The CRPE will provide recommendations on how to improve the effectiveness of control measures. Attend the Department's preconstruction conference for the project. Ensure training is completed as identified in Section 506.3.3., "Training," by all applicable personnel before employees work on the project. Document and maintain and make available upon request, a list, signed by the CRPE, of all applicable Contractor and subcontractor employees who have completed the training. Include the employee's name, the training course name, and date the employee completed the training.

Section 506.3.3., "Training," is supplemented by the following:

Training is provided by the Department at no cost to the Contractor and is valid for 3 yr. from the date of completion. The Engineer may require the following training at a frequency less than 3 yr. based on environmental needs:

- “Environmental Management System: Awareness Training for the Contractor” (English and Spanish) (Approximate running time 20 min.), and
- “Storm Water: Environmental Requirements During Construction” (English and Spanish) (Approximate running time 20 min.).

The Contractor responsible person environmental (CRPE), alternate CRPE designated for emergencies, Contractor's superintendent, Contractor, and subcontractor lead personnel involved in soil disturbing or SWP3 activities must enroll in and complete the training listed below and maintain and make available upon request the certificate of completion. Training is provided by a third party and is valid for 3 yr. from the date shown on the Certificate of Completion. Coordinate enrollment as prescribed by the Department and pay associated fees for the following training:

- “Revegetation During Construction,”
- “Construction General Permit Compliance,” and
- “Construction Stage Gate Checklist (CSGC).”

Training and associated fee will not be measured or paid for directly but are subsidiary to this Item.

Special Provision to Item 520

Weighing and Measuring Equipment



Item 520, "Weighing and Measuring Equipment" of the Standard Specifications is amended with respect to the clauses cited below. No other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed.

Article 520.2., "Equipment." The third paragraph is voided and replaced by the following.

Calibrate truck scales using weights certified by the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) or an equivalent agency as approved. Provide a written calibration report from a scale mechanic for truck scale calibrations. Cease plant operations during the checking operation. Do not use inaccurate or inadequate scales. Bring performance errors as close to zero as practicable when adjusting equipment.

Article 520.2., "Equipment." The fourth paragraph is amended to include the following:

At the Contractors option, an electronic ticket delivery system (e-ticketing) may be used instead of printed tickets. The use of e-ticketing will require written approval of the Engineer. At a minimum, the approved system will:

- Provide electronic, real-time e-tickets meeting the requirements of the applicable bid items;
- Automatically generate e-tickets using software and hardware fully integrated with the automated scale system used to weigh the material, and be designed in such a way that data input cannot be altered by the Contractor or the Engineer;
- Provide the Engineer access to the e-ticketing data in real-time with a web-based or app-based system compatible with iOS;
- Provide offline capabilities to prevent data loss if power or connectivity is lost;
- Require both the Contractor and the Engineer to accept or reject the e-ticket and provide the ability to record the information required by the applicable bid items, as well as any comments. Record the time of the approval/rejection and include it in the summary spreadsheet described below. Provide each party the capability to edit their respective actions and any entered information;

The Contractor may discontinue use of the e-ticket system and provide printed tickets as needed to meet the requirements of the applicable bid items.

Special Provision to Item 540 Metal Beam Guard Fence



Item 540, "Metal Beam Guard Fence" of the Standard Specifications is amended with respect to the clauses cited below. No other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed.

Article 540.4.7, "Measurement," is voided and replaced with the following:

Long Span System. Measurement will be by each long span system, complete in place. Each long span system will be from the first CRT to the last CRT in the system.

Special Provision to Item 636

Signs



Item 636, "Signs" of the Standard Specifications, is hereby amended with respect to the clauses cited below, and no other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed hereby.

Section 636.3.1, "Fabrication." is deleted.

Section 636.3.1.2, "Sheeting Application." The last sentence of the fourth paragraph is voided and replaced by the following.

Do not splice sheeting or overlay films for signs fabricated with ink or with colored transparent films.

Special Provision to Item 643

Sign Identification Decals



Item 643, "Sign Identification Decals," of the Standard Specifications is amended with respect to the clauses cited below. No other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed.

Article 2. "Materials." The sign identification decal design shown in Figure 1 and the description for each row in Table 1 are supplemented by the following.

Texas Department of Transportation													
C	Fabrication Date											T	1
J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D		2
	201		202		203		204		205				3
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9			4
Sheeting MFR - Substrate													
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	J	K	L	M		5
Film MFR													
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	J	K	L	M		6
Sheeting MFR - Legend													
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	J	K	L	M		7
Installation Date													
				0	1	2	3						8
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9			9
J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D		10
	201		202		203		204		205				11
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9			12
Name of Sign Fabricator													
Physical Address													
City, State, Zip Code													
													13

Figure 1
Decal Design (Row numbers explained in Table 1)

Table 1
Decal Description
Row Explanation

1 – Sign fabricator
2 – Month fabricated
3 – First 3 digits of year fabricated
4 – Last digit of year fabricated
5 – Manufacturer of the sheeting applied to the substrate
6 – Film (colored transparent or non-reflective black) manufacturer
7 – Manufacturer of the sheeting for the legend
8 – Tens digit of date installed
9 – Ones digit of date installed
10 – Month installed
11 – First 3 digits of year installed
12 – Last digit of year installed
13 – Name of sign fabricator and physical location of sign shop

Special Provision to Item 656

Foundations for Traffic Control Devices



Item 656, "Foundations for Traffic Control Devices" of the Standard Specifications is amended with respect to the clauses cited below. No other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed.

Article 3. "Construction," the first paragraph is supplemented by the following:

Ensure the top of the foundation and anchor bolts meet specified requirements in relation to the final grade.

Special Provision to Item 672

Raised Pavement Markings



For this project, Item 672, "Raised Pavement Markings," of the Standard Specifications, is hereby amended with respect to the clauses cited below, and no other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed hereby.

Article 672.3., "Construction," the twelfth paragraph is voided and replaced by the following:

Provide a 30-day performance period that begins the day following written acceptance for each separate location or patch. The date of written acceptance will be the last calendar day of each month for the RPMs installed that month for the completed separate project locations. This written acceptance does not constitute final acceptance.

Article 672.3., "Construction," is supplemented by the following:

672.3.1. Raised Pavement Markers Patch. Raised Pavement Markers will be in accordance with Item 672, "Raised Pavement Markers." Unless otherwise directed in the General Notes and Specification Data, a patch will be defined as 1,000 LF or less along the center line of the roadway. The Engineer will determine whether to remove and place markers on the entire roadway segment or just the patch areas. Unless otherwise directed on the plans, the Contractor will remove temporary pavement markings (tabs or temporary tape) prior to placement of permanent markers.

Article 672.5., "Payment," the first paragraph is voided and replaced by the following:

The work performed and materials furnished in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under "Measurement" will be paid at the unit price bid for "Reflectorized Pavement Marker," "Traffic Button," "Plowable Reflectorized Pavement Marker," or "Reflectorized Pavement Marker (Patch)" of the types specified.

RPMs INSTALLATION RECORD

The 30-day performance period begins the day after written acceptance for each separate location. The date of written acceptance will be the last calendar day of each month for the RPMs installed that month for the completed separate project locations.

COUNTY HIGHWAY	CONTROL PROJECT	LIMITS FROM LIMITS TO	MONTH/YR OF INSTALLATION

Contractor signature _____ Date _____

Department signature _____ Date _____

Special Provision to Item 680 Highway Traffic Signals



Item 680, "Highway Traffic Signals" of the Standard Specifications is amended with respect to the clauses cited below. No other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed.

Article 680.3.1.1.2,"Conduit," The fourth sentence of the first paragraph is voided and replaced by the following.

Seal the ends of each conduit with approved sealant, after all cables and conductors are installed.

Special Provision to Item 686

Traffic Signal Pole Assemblies



Item 686, "Traffic Signal Pole Assemblies" of the Standard Specifications is amended with respect to the clauses cited below. No other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed.

Section 686.3.2., "Fabrication," is voided and replaced with the following:

Fabrication. Fabricate and weld in accordance with Item 441, "Steel Structures," AWS D1.1, *Structural Welding Code—Steel*, and the requirements of this Item. Fabrication tolerances are given in Table 1.

Table 1
Fabrication Tolerances

Part	Dimension	Tolerance (in.)
Pole and mast arm shaft	Length	±1
	Thickness	+0.12, -0.02
	Difference between flats or diameter	±3/16
	Straightness	1/8 in 10 ft.
	Attachment locations	±1
Base and mast arm mounting plates	Overall	±3/16
	Thickness	+1/4, -0
	Deviations from flat ¹	3/16 in 24 in.
	Spacing between holes	±1/8
	Bolt hole size	±1/16
Anchor bolts	Length	±1/2
	Threaded Length	±1/2
	Galvanized Length	-1/4
Assembled shafts	Angular Orientation	1/16 in 12 in. ²
	Centering	±3/16
	Twist	3° in 50 ft.

1. For long mast arm assembly (LMA) structures, refer to plan sheets for mast arm mounting plate tolerance.
2. **One-eighth in 12 in.** between mounting plates and between mounting plates and base plates.

Fabrication plants that produce steel traffic signal pole assemblies must be approved in accordance with [DMS-7380](#), "Steel Non-Bridge Member Fabrication Plant Qualification." The Department maintains a [Material Producer List \(MPL\)](#) of approved traffic signal pole assembly fabrication plants.

Provide properly fitting components. Provide round or octagonal shafts for poles and mast arms tapered as shown on the plans. Fabricate mast arms straight in the unloaded condition unless otherwise shown on the plans. The Department will accept bolted slip joints overlapping by at least 1.5 diameters in mast arms 40 ft. and longer.

Provide circumferential welds only at the ends of the shafts. Provide no more than two longitudinal seam welds in shaft sections. Provide 100% penetration within 6 in. of circumferential base welds and 60% minimum penetration at other locations along the longitudinal seam welds. Provide longitudinal seam weld and fit-up that will minimize acid entrapment during later galvanizing.

For long mast arm assembly (LMA) structures, perform at least 10% ultrasonic testing (UT) of longitudinal seam welds on the arm and pole shafts. Use a Department approved UT procedure to ensure 60% minimum penetration where specified. Perform testing at a minimum of three locations on each shaft (at both ends and middle). The minimum length of each test area must be 10 in. If minimum penetration is not achieved in any of the tested areas, test an additional 24 in. beyond the originally selected test areas requiring 60% penetration. Test the entire arm or pole shaft seam weld if any locations within the additional 24 in. test areas does not achieve 60% penetration. Repair the deficient areas with a Department approved repair procedure and retest.

Hot-dip galvanize all fabricated parts in accordance with Item 445, "Galvanizing." Provide punched, drilled, or mechanically guided thermal-cut holes in steel parts or members, when allowed, before galvanizing. Mechanically guided thermal-cut hole quality should be per Item 445, "Galvanizing."

Connect the luminaire arm to the pole with simplex fittings. Ensure the fittings have no defects affecting strength or appearance.

Permanently mark, at a visible location when erected, pole base plates and mast arm mounting plates with the design wind speed.

Permanently mark, at a visible location when erected, pole base plates and fixed mast arm mounting plates with the fabrication plant's insignia. Place the mark on the pole base plate adjacent to the hand-hole access compartment.

Deliver each traffic signal pole assembly with fittings and hardware either installed or packaged with its associated components.

Special Provision to Special Specification 3096

Asphalts, Oils, and Emulsions



Special Specification 3096, "Asphalts, Oils, and Emulsions," is amended with respect to the clause cited below. No other clause or requirements of this Item are waived or changed.

Section 3096.2.2., Table 3 Polymer-Modified Asphalt Cement has been voided and replaced by the following:

Table 3
Polymer-Modified Asphalt Cement

Property	Test Procedure	Polymer-Modified Viscosity Grade											
		AC-12-5TR		NT-HA ¹		AC-15P		AC-20XP		AC-10-2TR		AC-20-5TR	
		Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max
Polymer		TR		-		SBS		SBS		TR		TR	
Polymer content, % (solids basis)	Tex-533-C or Tex-553-C	5.0	-	-	-	3.0	-	-	-	2.0	-	5.0	-
Dynamic shear, G*/sin δ, 82°C, 10 rad/s, kPa	T 315	-	-	1.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dynamic shear, G*/sin δ, 64°C, 10 rad/s, kPa	T 315	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.0	-	-	-	1.0	-
Dynamic shear, G*/sin δ, 58°C, 10 rad/s, kPa	T 315	1.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.0	-	-	-
Viscosity													
140°F, poise	T 202	1,200	-	-	-	1,500	-	2,000	-	1,000	-	2,000	-
275°F, poise	T 202	-	-	-	-	-	8.0	-	-	-	8.0	-	10.0
275°F, Pa-s	T 316	-	-	-	4.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Penetration, 77°F, 100 g, 5 sec.	T 49	110	150	-	25	100	150	75	115	95	130	75	115
Elastic recovery, 50°F, %	Tex-539-C	55				55	-	55	-	30	-	55	-
Polymer separation	Tex-540-C	None		-		None		None		None		None	
Flash point, C.O.C., °F	T 48	425		425		425	-	425	-	425	-	425	-
Tests on residue from RTFOT aging and pressure aging:	T 240 and R 28												
Creep stiffness	T 313												
S, -18°C, MPa		-	300	-	-	-	300	-	300	-	300	-	300
m-value, -18°C		0.300	-	-	-	0.300	-	0.300	-	0.300	-	0.300	-

1. This is a hot-applied TRAIL product.

Section 3096.2.5., Diluted Emulsions tables has been added.

Diluted Emulsions. Provide emulsified asphalt that is homogeneous, does not separate after thorough mixing, and meets the requirements for the specified type and grade in Tables 12A, and 12B, where the suffixes 50/50, 40/60, and 30/70 mean 50% emulsion diluted with 50% water; 40% emulsion diluted with 60% water, and 30% emulsion diluted with 70% water, respectively. For example, CSS-1H 40/60 means 40% CSS-1H diluted with 60% water and AE-P 30/70 means 30% AE-P diluted with 70% water.

Table 12A
Diluted CSS-1H

Property	Test Procedure	Type-Grade					
		Diluted Slow-Setting					
		CSS-1H 50/50		CSS-1H 40/60		CSS-1H 30/70	
		Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max
Viscosity, Saybolt Furol 77°F, sec.	T 72	Report Only		Report Only		Report Only	
Distillation test: Residue by distillation, % by wt. Oil distillate, % by volume of emulsion	T 59	30	–	24	–	18	–
		–	0.5	–	0.5	–	0.5
Tests on residue from distillation:							
Penetration, 77°F, 100 g, 5 sec.	T 49	40	110	40	110	40	110
Solubility, %	T 44	97.5	–	97.5	–	97.5	–
Ductility, 77°F, 5 cm/min., cm	T 51	80	–	80	–	80	–

Table 12B
Diluted AE-P

Property	Test Procedure	Type-Grade					
		Diluted Slow-Setting					
		AE-P 50/50		AE-P 40/60		AE-P 30/70	
		Min	Max	Min	Min	Max	Min
Viscosity, Saybolt Furol 122°F, sec.	T 72	Report Only		Report Only		Report Only	
Asphalt emulsion distillation to 500°F followed by Cutback asphalt distillation of residue to 680°F: Residue after both distillations, % by wt. Total oil distillate from both distillations, % by volume of emulsion	T 59 & T 78	20	–	16	–	12	–
		12.5	20	10.0	16	7.5	12
Tests on residue after all distillations:							
Solubility, %	T 44	97.5	–	97.5	–	97.5	–
Float test, 122°F, sec.	T 50	50	200	50	200	50	200

Special Provision to Special Specification 6185

Truck Mounted Attenuator (TMA) and Trailer Attenuator (TA)



Item 6185, "Truck Mounted Attenuator (TMA) and Trailer Attenuator (TA)" of the Standard Specifications, is hereby amended with respect to the clauses cited below, and no other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed hereby.

Article 4. "Measurement", is voided and replaced by the following:

- 4.1. **Truck Mounted Attenuator/Trailer Attenuator (Stationary).** This Item will be measured by the day. TMA/TAs must be set up in a work area and operational before a calendar day can be considered measurable. A day will be measured for each TMA/TA set up and operational on the worksite.
- 4.2. **Truck Mounted Attenuator/Trailer Attenuator (Mobile Operation).** This Item will be measured by the hour or by the day. The time begins once the TMA/TA is ready for operation at the predetermined site and stops when notified by the Engineer. When measurement by the hour is specified, a minimum of 4 hr. will be paid each day for each operating TMA/TA used in a mobile operation. When measurement by the day is specified, a day will be measured for each TMA/TA set up and operational on the worksite.

Special Specification 3076

Dense-Graded Hot-Mix Asphalt



1. DESCRIPTION

Construct a hot-mix asphalt (HMA) pavement layer composed of a compacted, dense-graded mixture of aggregate and asphalt binder mixed hot in a mixing plant. Payment adjustments will apply to HMA placed under this specification unless the HMA is deemed exempt in accordance with Section 3076.4.9.4., "Exempt Production."

2. MATERIALS

Furnish uncontaminated materials of uniform quality that meet the requirements of the plans and specifications.

Notify the Engineer of all material sources and before changing any material source or formulation. The Engineer will verify that the specification requirements are met when the Contractor makes a source or formulation change, and may require a new laboratory mixture design, trial batch, or both. The Engineer may sample and test project materials at any time during the project to verify specification compliance in accordance with Item 6, "Control of Materials."

- 2.1. **Aggregate.** Furnish aggregates from sources that conform to the requirements shown in Table 1 and as specified in this Section. Aggregate requirements in this Section, including those shown in Table 1, may be modified or eliminated when shown on the plans. Additional aggregate requirements may be specified when shown on the plans. Provide aggregate stockpiles that meet the definitions in this Section for coarse, intermediate, or fine aggregate. Aggregate from reclaimed asphalt pavement (RAP) is not required to meet Table 1 requirements unless otherwise shown on the plans. Supply aggregates that meet the definitions in [Tex-100-E](#) for crushed gravel or crushed stone. The Engineer will designate the plant or the quarry as the sampling location. Provide samples from materials produced for the project. The Engineer will establish the Surface Aggregate Classification (SAC) and perform Los Angeles abrasion, magnesium sulfate soundness, and Micro-Deval tests. Perform all other aggregate quality tests listed in Table 1. Document all test results on the mixture design report. The Engineer may perform tests on independent or split samples to verify Contractor test results. Stockpile aggregates for each source and type separately. Determine aggregate gradations for mixture design and production testing based on the washed sieve analysis given in [Tex-200-F](#), Part II.

- 2.1.1. **Coarse Aggregate.** Coarse aggregate stockpiles must have no more than 20% material passing the No. 8 sieve. Aggregates from sources listed in the Department's *Bituminous Rated Source Quality Catalog* (BRSQC) are preapproved for use. Use only the rated values for hot-mix listed in the BRSQC. Rated values for surface treatment (ST) do not apply to coarse aggregate sources used in hot-mix asphalt.

For sources not listed on the Department's BRSQC:

- build an individual stockpile for each material;
- request the Department test the stockpile for specification compliance; and
- once approved, do not add material to the stockpile unless otherwise approved.

Provide aggregate from non-listed sources only when tested by the Engineer and approved before use. Allow 30 calendar days for the Engineer to sample, test, and report results for non-listed sources.

Provide coarse aggregate with at least the minimum SAC shown on the plans. SAC requirements only apply to aggregates used on the surface of travel lanes. SAC requirements apply to aggregates used on surfaces other than travel lanes when shown on the plans. The SAC for sources on the Department's *Aggregate Quality Monitoring Program (AQMP)* ([Tex-499-A](#)) is listed in the BRSQC.

- 2.1.1.1. **Blending Class A and Class B Aggregates.** Class B aggregate meeting all other requirements in Table 1 may be blended with a Class A aggregate to meet requirements for Class A materials, unless otherwise shown on the plans. Ensure that at least 50% by weight, or volume if required, of the material retained on the No. 4 sieve comes from the Class A aggregate source when blending Class A and B aggregates to meet a Class A requirement unless otherwise shown on the plans. Blend by volume if the bulk specific gravities of the Class A and B aggregates differ by more than 0.300. Coarse aggregate from RAP and Recycled Asphalt Shingles (RAS) will be considered as Class B aggregate for blending purposes.

The Engineer may perform tests at any time during production, when the Contractor blends Class A and B aggregates to meet a Class A requirement, to ensure that at least 50% by weight, or volume if required, of the material retained on the No. 4 sieve comes from the Class A aggregate source. The Engineer will use the Department's mix design template, when electing to verify conformance, to calculate the percent of Class A aggregate retained on the No. 4 sieve by inputting the bin percentages shown from readouts in the control room at the time of production and stockpile gradations measured at the time of production. The Engineer may determine the gradations based on either washed or dry sieve analysis from samples obtained from individual aggregate cold feed bins or aggregate stockpiles. The Engineer may perform spot checks using the gradations supplied by the Contractor on the mixture design report as an input for the template; however, a failing spot check will require confirmation with a stockpile gradation determined by the Engineer.

- 2.1.1.2. **Micro-Deval Abrasion.** The Engineer will perform a minimum of one Micro-Deval abrasion test in accordance with [Tex-461-A](#) for each coarse aggregate source used in the mixture design that has a Rated Source Soundness Magnesium (RSSM) loss value greater than 15 as listed in the BRSQC. The Engineer will perform testing before the start of production and may perform additional testing at any time during production. The Engineer may obtain the coarse aggregate samples from each coarse aggregate source or may require the Contractor to obtain the samples. The Engineer may waive all Micro-Deval testing based on a satisfactory test history of the same aggregate source.

The Engineer will estimate the magnesium sulfate soundness loss for each coarse aggregate source, when tested, using the following formula:

$$Mg_{est.} = (RSSM)(MD_{act.}/RSMD)$$

where:

$Mg_{est.}$ = magnesium sulfate soundness loss

$MD_{act.}$ = actual Micro-Deval percent loss

$RSMD$ = Rated Source Micro-Deval

When the estimated magnesium sulfate soundness loss is greater than the maximum magnesium sulfate soundness loss specified, the coarse aggregate source will not be allowed for use unless otherwise approved. The Engineer will consult the Soils and Aggregates Section of the Materials and Tests Division, and additional testing may be required before granting approval.

- 2.1.2. **Intermediate Aggregate.** Aggregates not meeting the definition of coarse or fine aggregate will be defined as intermediate aggregate. Supply intermediate aggregates, when used that are free from organic impurities. The Engineer may test the intermediate aggregate in accordance with [Tex-408-A](#) to verify the material is free from organic impurities. Supply intermediate aggregate from coarse aggregate sources, when used that meet the requirements shown in Table 1 unless otherwise approved.

Test the stockpile if 10% or more of the stockpile is retained on the No. 4 sieve, and verify that it meets the requirements in Table 1 for crushed face count ([Tex-460-A](#)) and flat and elongated particles ([Tex-280-F](#)).

2.1.3.

Fine Aggregate. Fine aggregates consist of manufactured sands, screenings, and field sands. Fine aggregate stockpiles must meet the gradation requirements in Table 2. Supply fine aggregates that are free from organic impurities. The Engineer may test the fine aggregate in accordance with [Tex-408-A](#) to verify the material is free from organic impurities. Unless otherwise shown on the plans, up to 10% of the total aggregate may be field sand or other uncrushed fine aggregate. Use fine aggregate, with the exception of field sand, from coarse aggregate sources that meet the requirements shown in Table 1 unless otherwise approved.

Test the stockpile if 10% or more of the stockpile is retained on the No. 4 sieve and verify that it meets the requirements in Table 1 for crushed face count ([Tex-460-A](#)) and flat and elongated particles ([Tex-280-F](#)).

Table 1
Aggregate Quality Requirements

Property	Test Method	Requirement
Coarse Aggregate		
SAC	Tex-499-A (AQMP)	As shown on the plans
Deleterious material, %, Max	Tex-217-F , Part I	1.5
Decantation, %, Max	Tex-217-F , Part II	1.5
Micro-Deval abrasion, %	Tex-461-A	Note 1
Los Angeles abrasion, %, Max	Tex-410-A	40
Magnesium sulfate soundness, 5 cycles, %, Max	Tex-411-A	30
Crushed face count, ² %, Min	Tex-460-A , Part I	85
Flat and elongated particles @ 5:1, %, Max	Tex-280-F	10
Fine Aggregate		
Linear shrinkage, %, Max	Tex-107-E	3
Sand equivalent, %, Min	Tex-203-F	45

- Used to estimate the magnesium sulfate soundness loss in accordance with Section 3076.2.1.1.2., "Micro-Deval Abrasion."
- Only applies to crushed gravel.

Table 2
Gradation Requirements for Fine Aggregate

Sieve Size	% Passing by Weight or Volume
3/8"	100
#8	70–100
#200	0–30

2.2.

Mineral Filler. Mineral filler consists of finely divided mineral matter such as agricultural lime, crusher fines, hydrated lime, or fly ash. Mineral filler is allowed unless otherwise shown on the plans. Use no more than 2% hydrated lime or fly ash unless otherwise shown on the plans. Use no more than 1% hydrated lime if a substitute binder is used unless otherwise shown on the plans or allowed. Test all mineral fillers except hydrated lime and fly ash in accordance with [Tex-107-E](#) to ensure specification compliance. The plans may require or disallow specific mineral fillers. Provide mineral filler, when used, that:

- is sufficiently dry, free-flowing, and free from clumps and foreign matter as determined by the Engineer;
- does not exceed 3% linear shrinkage when tested in accordance with [Tex-107-E](#); and
- meets the gradation requirements in Table 3, unless otherwise shown on the plans.

Table 3
Gradation Requirements for Mineral Filler

Sieve Size	% Passing by Weight or Volume
#8	100
#200	55–100

2.3.

Baghouse Fines. Fines collected by the baghouse or other dust-collecting equipment may be reintroduced into the mixing drum.

2.4.

Asphalt Binder. Furnish the type and grade of performance-graded (PG) asphalt specified on the plans.

- 2.5. **Tack Coat.** Furnish CSS-1H, SS-1H, or a PG binder with a minimum high-temperature grade of PG 58 for tack coat binder in accordance with Item 300, "Asphalts, Oils, and Emulsions." Specialized tack coat materials listed on the Department's MPL are allowed or required when shown on the plans. Do not dilute emulsified asphalts at the terminal, in the field, or at any other location before use.
- 2.6. **Additives.** Use the type and rate of additive specified when shown on the plans. Additives that facilitate mixing, compaction, or improve the quality of the mixture are allowed when approved. Provide the Engineer with documentation such as the bill of lading showing the quantity of additives used in the project unless otherwise directed.
- 2.6.1. **Lime and Liquid Antistripping Agent.** When lime or a liquid antistripping agent is used, add in accordance with Item 301, "Asphalt Antistripping Agents." Do not add lime directly into the mixing drum of any plant where lime is removed through the exhaust stream unless the plant has a baghouse or dust collection system that reintroduces the lime into the drum.
- 2.6.2. **Warm Mix Asphalt (WMA).** Warm Mix Asphalt (WMA) is defined as HMA that is produced within a target temperature discharge range of 215°F and 275°F using approved WMA additives or processes from the Department's MPL.
- WMA is allowed for use on all projects and is required when shown on the plans. When WMA is required, the maximum placement or target discharge temperature for WMA will be set at a value below 275°F.
- Department-approved WMA additives or processes may be used to facilitate mixing and compaction of HMA produced at target discharge temperatures above 275°F; however, such mixtures will not be defined as WMA.
- 2.6.3. **Compaction Aid.** Compaction Aid is defined as a chemical warm mix additive that is used to produce an asphalt mixture at a discharge temperature greater than 275°F.
- Compaction Aid is allowed for use on all projects and is required when shown on the plans.
- 2.7. **Recycled Materials.** Use of RAP and RAS is permitted unless otherwise shown on the plans. Use of RAS is restricted to only intermediate and base mixes unless otherwise shown on the plans. Do not exceed the maximum allowable percentages of RAP and RAS shown in Table 4. The allowable percentages shown in Table 4 may be decreased or increased when shown on the plans. Determine the asphalt binder content and gradation of the RAP and RAS stockpiles for mixture design purposes in accordance with [Tex-236-F](#), Part I. The Engineer may verify the asphalt binder content of the stockpiles at any time during production. Perform other tests on RAP and RAS when shown on the plans. Asphalt binder from RAP and RAS is designated as recycled asphalt binder. Calculate and ensure that the ratio of the recycled asphalt binder to total binder does not exceed the percentages shown in Table 5 during mixture design and HMA production when RAP or RAS is used. Use a separate cold feed bin for each stockpile of RAP and RAS during HMA production.
- Surface, intermediate, and base mixes referenced in Tables 4 and 5 are defined as follows:
- **Surface.** The final HMA lift placed at the top of the pavement structure or placed directly below mixtures produced in accordance with Items 316, 342, 347, or 348;
 - **Intermediate.** Mixtures placed below an HMA surface mix and less than or equal to 8.0 in. from the riding surface; and
 - **Base.** Mixtures placed greater than 8.0 in. from the riding surface. Unless otherwise shown on the plans, mixtures used for bond breaker are defined as base mixtures.
- 2.7.1. **RAP.** RAP is salvaged, milled, pulverized, broken, or crushed asphalt pavement. Fractionated RAP is defined as a stockpile that contains RAP material with a minimum of 95.0% passing the 3/8-in. or 1/2-in. sieve, before burning in the ignition oven, unless otherwise approved. The Engineer may allow the Contractor to use an alternate to the 3/8-in. or 1/2-in. screen to fractionate the RAP.

Use of Contractor-owned RAP including HMA plant waste is permitted unless otherwise shown on the plans. Department-owned RAP stockpiles are available for the Contractor's use when the stockpile locations are shown on the plans. If Department-owned RAP is available for the Contractor's use, the Contractor may use Contractor-owned fractionated RAP and replace it with an equal quantity of Department-owned RAP. Department-owned RAP generated through required work on the Contract is available for the Contractor's use when shown on the plans. Perform any necessary tests to ensure Contractor- or Department-owned RAP is appropriate for use. The Department will not perform any tests or assume any liability for the quality of the Department-owned RAP unless otherwise shown on the plans. The Contractor will retain ownership of RAP generated on the project when shown on the plans.

Do not use Department- or Contractor-owned RAP contaminated with dirt or other objectionable materials. Do not use Department- or Contractor-owned RAP if the decantation value exceeds 5% and the plasticity index is greater than 8. Test the stockpiled RAP for decantation in accordance with [Tex-406-A](#), Part I. Determine the plasticity index in accordance with [Tex-106-E](#) if the decantation value exceeds 5%. The decantation and plasticity index requirements do not apply to RAP samples with asphalt removed by extraction or ignition.

Do not intermingle Contractor-owned RAP stockpiles with Department-owned RAP stockpiles. Remove unused Contractor-owned RAP material from the project site upon completion of the project. Return unused Department-owned RAP to the designated stockpile location.

Table 4
Maximum Allowable Amounts of RAP¹

Maximum Allowable Fractionated RAP (%)		
Surface	Intermediate	Base
15.0	25.0	30.0

1. Must also meet the recycled binder to total binder ratio shown in Table 5.

2.7.2.

RAS. Use of post-manufactured RAS or post-consumer RAS (tear-offs) is not permitted in surface mixtures unless otherwise shown on the plans. RAS may be used in intermediate and base mixtures unless otherwise shown on the plans. Up to 3% RAS may be used separately or as a replacement for fractionated RAP in accordance with Table 4 and Table 5. RAS is defined as processed asphalt shingle material from manufacturing of asphalt roofing shingles or from re-roofing residential structures. Post-manufactured RAS is processed manufacturer's shingle scrap by-product. Post-consumer RAS is processed shingle scrap removed from residential structures. Comply with all regulatory requirements stipulated for RAS by the TCEQ. RAS may be used separately or in conjunction with RAP.

Process the RAS by ambient grinding or granulating such that 100% of the particles pass the 3/8 in. sieve when tested in accordance with [Tex-200-F](#), Part I. Perform a sieve analysis on processed RAS material before extraction (or ignition) of the asphalt binder.

Add sand meeting the requirements of Table 1 and Table 2 or fine RAP to RAS stockpiles if needed to keep the processed material workable. Any stockpile that contains RAS will be considered a RAS stockpile and be limited to no more than 3.0% of the HMA mixture in accordance with Table 4.

Certify compliance of the RAS with [DMS-11000](#), "Evaluating and Using Nonhazardous Recyclable Materials Guidelines." Treat RAS as an established nonhazardous recyclable material if it has not come into contact with any hazardous materials. Use RAS from shingle sources on the Department's MPL. Remove substantially all materials before use that are not part of the shingle, such as wood, paper, metal, plastic, and felt paper. Determine the deleterious content of RAS material for mixture design purposes in accordance with [Tex-217-F](#), Part III. Do not use RAS if deleterious materials are more than 0.5% of the stockpiled RAS unless otherwise approved. Submit a sample for approval before submitting the mixture design. The Department will perform the testing for deleterious material of RAS to determine specification compliance.

2.8.

Substitute Binders. Unless otherwise shown on the plans, the Contractor may use a substitute PG binder listed in Table 5 instead of the PG binder originally specified, if using recycled materials, and if the substitute PG binder and mixture made with the substitute PG binder meet the following:

- the substitute binder meets the specification requirements for the substitute binder grade in accordance with Section 300.2.10., "Performance-Graded Binders;" and
- the mixture has less than 10.0 mm of rutting on the Hamburg Wheel test ([Tex-242-F](#)) after the number of passes required for the originally specified binder. Use of substitute PG binders may only be allowed at the discretion of the Engineer if the Hamburg Wheel test results are between 10.0 mm and 12.5 mm.

Table 5
Allowable Substitute PG Binders and Maximum Recycled Binder Ratios

Originally Specified PG Binder	Allowable Substitute PG Binder for Surface Mixes	Allowable Substitute PG Binder for Intermediate and Base Mixes	Maximum Ratio of Recycled Binder ¹ to Total Binder (%)		
			Surface	Intermediate	Base
76-22 ^{4,5}	70-22	70-22	10.0	20.0	25.0
70-22 ^{2,5}	N/A	64-22	10.0	20.0	25.0
64-22 ^{2,3}	N/A	N/A	10.0	20.0	25.0
76-28 ^{4,5}	70-28	70-28	10.0	20.0	25.0
70-28 ^{2,5}	N/A	64-28	10.0	20.0	25.0
64-28 ^{2,3}	N/A	N/A	10.0	20.0	25.0

1. Combined recycled binder from RAP and RAS. RAS is not permitted in surface mixtures unless otherwise shown on the plans.
2. Binder substitution is not allowed for surface mixtures.
3. Binder substitution is not allowed for intermediate and base mixtures.
4. Use no more than 10.0% recycled binder in surface mixtures when using this originally specified PG binder.
5. Use no more than 20.0% recycled binder when using this originally specified PG binder for intermediate mixtures. Use no more than 25.0% recycled binder when using this originally specified PG binder for base mixtures.

3.

EQUIPMENT

Provide required or necessary equipment in accordance with Item 320, "Equipment for Asphalt Concrete Pavement."

4.

CONSTRUCTION

Produce, haul, place, and compact the specified paving mixture. In addition to tests required by the specification, Contractors may perform other QC tests as deemed necessary. At any time during the project, the Engineer may perform production and placement tests as deemed necessary in accordance with Item 5, "Control of the Work." Schedule and participate in a mandatory pre-paving meeting with the Engineer on or before the first day of paving unless otherwise shown on the plans.

4.1.

Certification. Personnel certified by the Department-approved hot-mix asphalt certification program must conduct all mixture designs, sampling, and testing in accordance with Table 6. Supply the Engineer with a list of certified personnel and copies of their current certificates before beginning production and when personnel changes are made. Provide a mixture design developed and signed by a Level 2 certified specialist. Provide Level 1A certified specialists at the plant during production operations. Provide Level 1B certified specialists to conduct placement tests. Provide AGG101 certified specialists for aggregate testing.

Table 6
Test Methods, Test Responsibility, and Minimum Certification Levels

Test Description	Test Method	Contractor	Engineer	Level ¹
1. Aggregate and Recycled Material Testing				
Sampling	Tex-221-F	✓	✓	1A/AGG101
Dry sieve	Tex-200-F , Part I	✓	✓	1A/AGG101
Washed sieve	Tex-200-F , Part II	✓	✓	1A/AGG101
Deleterious material	Tex-217-F , Parts I & III	✓	✓	AGG101
Decantation	Tex-217-F , Part II	✓	✓	AGG101
Los Angeles abrasion	Tex-410-A		✓	TxDOT
Magnesium sulfate soundness	Tex-411-A		✓	TxDOT
Micro-Deval abrasion	Tex-461-A		✓	AGG101
Crushed face count	Tex-460-A	✓	✓	AGG101
Flat and elongated particles	Tex-280-F	✓	✓	AGG101
Linear shrinkage	Tex-107-E	✓	✓	AGG101
Sand equivalent	Tex-203-F	✓	✓	AGG101
Organic impurities	Tex-408-A	✓	✓	AGG101
2. Asphalt Binder & Tack Coat Sampling				
Asphalt binder sampling	Tex-500-C , Part II	✓	✓	1A/1B
Tack coat sampling	Tex-500-C , Part III	✓	✓	1A/1B
3. Mix Design & Verification				
Design and JMF changes	Tex-204-F	✓	✓	2
Mixing	Tex-205-F	✓	✓	2
Molding (TGC)	Tex-206-F	✓	✓	1A
Molding (SGC)	Tex-241-F	✓	✓	1A
Laboratory-molded density	Tex-207-F , Parts I & VI	✓	✓	1A
Rice gravity	Tex-227-F , Part II	✓	✓	1A
Ignition oven correction factors ²	Tex-236-F , Part II	✓	✓	2
Indirect tensile strength	Tex-226-F	✓	✓	1A
Hamburg Wheel test	Tex-242-F	✓	✓	1A
Boil test	Tex-530-C	✓	✓	1A
4. Production Testing				
Selecting production random numbers	Tex-225-F , Part I		✓	1A
Mixture sampling	Tex-222-F	✓	✓	1A/1B
Molding (TGC)	Tex-206-F	✓	✓	1A
Molding (SGC)	Tex-241-F	✓	✓	1A
Laboratory-molded density	Tex-207-F , Parts I & VI	✓	✓	1A
Rice gravity	Tex-227-F , Part II	✓	✓	1A
Gradation & asphalt binder content ²	Tex-236-F , Part I	✓	✓	1A
Control charts	Tex-233-F	✓	✓	1A
Moisture content	Tex-212-F , Part II	✓	✓	1A/AGG101
Hamburg Wheel test	Tex-242-F	✓	✓	1A
Micro-Deval abrasion	Tex-461-A		✓	AGG101
Boil test	Tex-530-C	✓	✓	1A
Abson recovery	Tex-211-F		✓	TxDOT
5. Placement Testing				
Selecting placement random numbers	Tex-225-F , Part II		✓	1B
Trimming roadway cores	Tex-251-F , Parts I & II	✓	✓	1A/1B
In-place air voids	Tex-207-F , Parts I & VI	✓	✓	1A
In-place density (nuclear method)	Tex-207-F , Part III	✓		1B
Establish rolling pattern	Tex-207-F , Part IV	✓		1B
Control charts	Tex-233-F	✓	✓	1A
Ride quality measurement	Tex-1001-S	✓	✓	Note 3
Segregation (density profile)	Tex-207-F , Part V	✓	✓	1B
Longitudinal joint density	Tex-207-F , Part VII	✓	✓	1B
Thermal profile	Tex-244-F	✓	✓	1B
Shear Bond Strength Test	Tex-249-F		✓	TxDOT

- Level 1A, 1B, AGG101, and 2 are certification levels provided by the Hot Mix Asphalt Center certification program.
- Refer to Section 3076.4.9.2.3., "Production Testing," for exceptions to using an ignition oven.
- Profiler and operator are required to be certified at the Texas A&M Transportation Institute facility when Surface Test Type B is specified.

4.2.

Reporting and Responsibilities. Use Department-provided templates to record and calculate all test data, including mixture design, production and placement QC/QA, control charts, thermal profiles, segregation density profiles, and longitudinal joint density. Obtain the current version of the templates at <http://www.txdot.gov/inside-txdot/forms-publications/consultants-contractors/forms/site-manager.html> or from the Engineer. The Engineer and the Contractor will provide any available test results to the other party when requested. The maximum allowable time for the Contractor and Engineer to exchange test data is as given in Table 7 unless otherwise approved. The Engineer and the Contractor will immediately report to the other party any test result that requires suspension of production or placement, a payment adjustment less than 1.000, or that fails to meet the specification requirements. Record and electronically submit all test results and pertinent information on Department-provided templates.

Subsequent sublots placed after test results are available to the Contractor, which require suspension of operations, may be considered unauthorized work. Unauthorized work will be accepted or rejected at the discretion of the Engineer in accordance with Article 5.3., "Conformity with Plans, Specifications, and Special Provisions."

Table 7
Reporting Schedule

Description	Reported By	Reported To	To Be Reported Within
Production Quality Control			
Gradation ¹	Contractor	Engineer	1 working day of completion of the subplot
Asphalt binder content ¹			
Laboratory-molded density ²			
Moisture content ³			
Boil test ³			
Production Quality Assurance			
Gradation ³	Engineer	Contractor	1 working day of completion of the subplot
Asphalt binder content ³			
Laboratory-molded density ¹			
Hamburg Wheel test ⁴			
Boil test ³			
Binder tests ⁴			
Placement Quality Control			
In-place air voids ²	Contractor	Engineer	1 working day of completion of the lot
Segregation ¹			
Longitudinal joint density ¹			
Thermal profile ¹			
Placement Quality Assurance			
In-place air voids ¹	Engineer	Contractor	1 working day after receiving the trimmed cores ⁵
Segregation ³			1 working day of completion of the lot
Longitudinal joint density ³			
Thermal profile ³			
Aging ratio ⁴			
Payment adjustment summary	Engineer	Contractor	2 working days of performing all required tests and receiving Contractor test data

1. These tests are required on every subplot.
2. Optional test. When performed on split samples, report the results as soon as they become available.
3. To be performed at the frequency specified in Table 16 or as shown on the plans.
4. To be reported as soon as the results become available.
5. 2 days are allowed if cores cannot be dried to constant weight within 1 day.

The Engineer will use the Department-provided template to calculate all payment adjustment factors for the lot. Sublot samples may be discarded after the Engineer and Contractor sign off on the payment adjustment summary documentation for the lot.

Use the procedures described in [Tex-233-F](#) to plot the results of all quality control (QC) and quality assurance (QA) testing. Update the control charts as soon as test results for each subplot become available. Make the control charts readily accessible at the field laboratory. The Engineer may suspend production for failure to update control charts.

- 4.3. **Quality Control Plan (QCP).** Develop and follow the QCP in detail. Obtain approval for changes to the QCP made during the project. The Engineer may suspend operations if the Contractor fails to comply with the QCP.

Submit a written QCP before the mandatory pre-paving meeting. Receive approval of the QCP before beginning production. Include the following items in the QCP:

- 4.3.1. **Project Personnel.** For project personnel, include:

- a list of individuals responsible for QC with authority to take corrective action;
- current contact information for each individual listed; and
- current copies of certification documents for individuals performing specified QC functions.

- 4.3.2. **Material Delivery and Storage.** For material delivery and storage, include:

- the sequence of material processing, delivery, and minimum quantities to assure continuous plant operations;
- aggregate stockpiling procedures to avoid contamination and segregation;
- frequency, type, and timing of aggregate stockpile testing to assure conformance of material requirements before mixture production; and
- procedure for monitoring the quality and variability of asphalt binder.

- 4.3.3. **Production.** For production, include:

- loader operation procedures to avoid contamination in cold bins;
- procedures for calibrating and controlling cold feeds;
- procedures to eliminate debris or oversized material;
- procedures for adding and verifying rates of each applicable mixture component (e.g., aggregate, asphalt binder, RAP, RAS, lime, liquid antistripping, WMA);
- procedures for reporting job control test results; and
- procedures to avoid segregation and drain-down in the silo.

- 4.3.4. **Loading and Transporting.** For loading and transporting, include:

- type and application method for release agents; and
- truck loading procedures to avoid segregation.

- 4.3.5. **Placement and Compaction.** For placement and compaction, include:

- proposed agenda for mandatory pre-paving meeting, including date and location;
- proposed paving plan (e.g., paving widths, joint offsets, and lift thicknesses);
- type and application method for release agents in the paver and on rollers, shovels, lutes, and other utensils;
- procedures for the transfer of mixture into the paver, while avoiding segregation and preventing material spillage;
- process to balance production, delivery, paving, and compaction to achieve continuous placement operations and good ride quality;
- paver operations (e.g., operation of wings, height of mixture in auger chamber) to avoid physical and thermal segregation and other surface irregularities; and
- procedures to construct quality longitudinal and transverse joints.

4.4. Mixture Design.

4.4.1. **Design Requirements.** The Contractor will design the mixture using a Superpave Gyrotory Compactor (SGC). A Texas Gyrotory Compactor (TGC) may be used when shown on the plans. Use the dense-graded design procedure provided in [Tex-204-F](#). Design the mixture to meet the requirements listed in Tables 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, and 10.

4.4.1.1. **Design Number of Gyration (Ndesign) When The SGC Is Used.** Design the mixture at 50 gyrations (Ndesign). Use a target laboratory-molded density of 96.0% to design the mixture; however, adjustments can be made to the Ndesign value as noted in Table 9. The Ndesign level may be reduced to at least 35 gyrations at the Contractor's discretion.

Use an approved laboratory from the Department's MPL to perform the Hamburg Wheel test, and provide results with the mixture design, or provide the laboratory mixture and request that the Department perform the Hamburg Wheel test. The Engineer will be allowed 10 working days to provide the Contractor with Hamburg Wheel test results on the laboratory mixture design.

The Engineer will provide the mixture design when shown on the plans. The Contractor may submit a new mixture design at any time during the project. The Engineer will verify and approve all mixture designs (JMF1) before the Contractor can begin production.

Provide the Engineer with a mixture design report using the Department-provided template. Include the following items in the report:

- the combined aggregate gradation, source, specific gravity, and percent of each material used;
- asphalt binder content and aggregate gradation of RAP and RAS stockpiles;
- the target laboratory-molded density (or Ndesign level when using the SGC);
- results of all applicable tests;
- the mixing and molding temperatures;
- the signature of the Level 2 person or persons that performed the design;
- the date the mixture design was performed; and
- a unique identification number for the mixture design.

Table 8
Master Gradation Limits (% Passing by Weight or Volume) and VMA Requirements

Sieve Size	B Fine Base	C Coarse Surface	D Fine Surface	F Fine Mixture
2"	–	–	–	–
1-1/2"	100.0 ¹	–	–	–
1"	98.0–100.0	100.0 ¹	–	–
3/4"	84.0–98.0	95.0–100.0	100.0 ¹	–
1/2"	–	–	98.0–100.0	100.0 ¹
3/8"	60.0–80.0	70.0–85.0	85.0–100.0	98.0–100.0
#4	40.0–60.0	43.0–63.0	50.0–70.0	70.0–90.0
#8	29.0–43.0	32.0–44.0	35.0–46.0	38.0–48.0
#30	13.0–28.0	14.0–28.0	15.0–29.0	12.0–27.0
#50	6.0–20.0	7.0–21.0	7.0–20.0	6.0–19.0
#200	2.0–7.0	2.0–7.0	2.0–7.0	2.0–7.0
Design VMA, % Minimum				
–	13.0	14.0	15.0	16.0
Production (Plant-Produced) VMA, % Minimum				
–	12.5	13.5	14.5	15.5

1. Defined as maximum sieve size. No tolerance allowed.

Table 9
Laboratory Mixture Design Properties

Mixture Property	Test Method	Requirement
Target laboratory-molded density, % (SGC)	Tex-207-F	96.0
Design gyrations (N _{design} for SGC)	Tex-241-F	50 ¹
Indirect tensile strength (dry), psi	Tex-226-F	85–200 ²
Boil test ³	Tex-530-C	–

- Adjust within a range of 35–100 gyrations when shown on the plans or specification or when mutually agreed between the Engineer and Contractor.
- The Engineer may allow the IDT strength to exceed 200 psi if the corresponding Hamburg Wheel rut depth is greater than 3.0 mm and less than 12.5 mm.
- Used to establish baseline for comparison to production results. May be waived when approved.

Table 10
Hamburg Wheel Test Requirements

High-Temperature Binder Grade	Test Method	Minimum # of Passes @ 12.5 mm ¹ Rut Depth, Tested @ 50°C
PG 64 or lower	Tex-242-F	10,000 ²
PG 70		15,000 ³
PG 76 or higher		20,000

- When the rut depth at the required minimum number of passes is less than 3 mm, the Engineer may require the Contractor to increase the target laboratory-molded density (TGC) by 0.5% to no more than 97.5% or lower the N_{design} level (SGC) to at least 35 gyrations.
- May be decreased to at least 5,000 passes when shown on the plans.
- May be decreased to at least 10,000 passes when shown on the plans.

- 4.4.1.2. **Target Laboratory-Molded Density When The TGC Is Used.** Design the mixture at a 96.5% target laboratory-molded density. Increase the target laboratory-molded density to 97.0% or 97.5% at the Contractor's discretion or when shown on the plans or specification.
- 4.4.2. **Job-Mix Formula Approval.** The job-mix formula (JMF) is the combined aggregate gradation, target laboratory-molded density (or N_{design} level), and target asphalt percentage used to establish target values for hot-mix production. JMF1 is the original laboratory mixture design used to produce the trial batch. When WMA is used, JMF1 may be designed and submitted to the Engineer without including the WMA additive. When WMA is used, document the additive or process used and recommended rate on the JMF1 submittal. The Engineer and the Contractor will verify JMF1 based on plant-produced mixture from the trial batch unless otherwise approved. The Engineer may accept an existing mixture design previously used on a Department project and may waive the trial batch to verify JMF1. The Department may require the Contractor to reimburse the Department for verification tests if more than 2 trial batches per design are required.
- 4.4.2.1. **Contractor's Responsibilities.**
- 4.4.2.1.1. **Providing Gyrotory Compactor.** Use a SGC calibrated in accordance with [Tex-241-F](#) to design the mixture in accordance with [Tex-204-F](#), Part IV, for molding production samples. Locate the SGC, if used, at the Engineer's field laboratory and make the SGC available to the Engineer for use in molding production samples. Furnish a TGC calibrated in accordance with [Tex-914-K](#) when shown on the plans to design the mixture in accordance with [Tex-204-F](#), Part I, for molding production samples.
- 4.4.2.1.2. **Gyrotory Compactor Correlation Factors.** Use [Tex-206-F](#), Part II, to perform a gyrotory compactor correlation when the Engineer uses a different gyrotory compactor. Apply the correlation factor to all subsequent production test results.
- 4.4.2.1.3. **Submitting JMF1.** Furnish a mix design report (JMF1) with representative samples of all component materials and request approval to produce the trial batch. Provide approximately 10,000 g of the design mixture if opting to have the Department perform the Hamburg Wheel test on the laboratory mixture, and request that the Department perform the test.

- 4.4.2.1.4. **Supplying Aggregates.** Provide approximately 40 lb. of each aggregate stockpile unless otherwise directed.
- 4.4.2.1.5. **Supplying Asphalt.** Provide at least 1 gal. of the asphalt material and enough quantities of any additives proposed for use.
- 4.4.2.1.6. **Ignition Oven Correction Factors.** Determine the aggregate and asphalt correction factors from the ignition oven in accordance with [Tex-236-F](#), Part II. Provide correction factors that are not more than 12 months old. Provide the Engineer with split samples of the mixtures before the trial batch production, including all additives (except water), and blank samples used to determine the correction factors for the ignition oven used for QA testing during production. Correction factors established from a previously approved mixture design may be used for the current mixture design if the mixture design and ignition oven are the same as previously used, unless otherwise directed.
- 4.4.2.1.7. **Boil Test.** Perform the test and retain the tested sample from [Tex-530-C](#) until completion of the project or as directed. Use this sample for comparison purposes during production. The Engineer may waive the requirement for the boil test.
- 4.4.2.1.8. **Trial Batch Production.** Provide a plant-produced trial batch upon receiving conditional approval of JMF1 and authorization to produce a trial batch, including the WMA additive or process if applicable, for verification testing of JMF1 and development of JMF2. Produce a trial batch mixture that meets the requirements in Table 4, Table 5, and Table 11. The Engineer may accept test results from recent production of the same mixture instead of a new trial batch.
- 4.4.2.1.9. **Trial Batch Production Equipment.** Use only equipment and materials proposed for use on the project to produce the trial batch.
- 4.4.2.1.10. **Trial Batch Quantity.** Produce enough quantity of the trial batch to ensure that the mixture meets the specification requirements.
- 4.4.2.1.11. **Number of Trial Batches.** Produce trial batches as necessary to obtain a mixture that meets the specification requirements.
- 4.4.2.1.12. **Trial Batch Sampling.** Obtain a representative sample of the trial batch and split it into 3 equal portions in accordance with [Tex-222-F](#). Label these portions as "Contractor," "Engineer," and "Referee." Deliver samples to the appropriate laboratory as directed.
- 4.4.2.1.13. **Trial Batch Testing.** Test the trial batch to ensure the mixture produced using the proposed JMF1 meets the mixture requirements in Table 11. Ensure the trial batch mixture is also in compliance with the Hamburg Wheel requirement in Table 10. Use a Department-approved laboratory to perform the Hamburg Wheel test on the trial batch mixture or request that the Department perform the Hamburg Wheel test. The Engineer will be allowed 10 working days to provide the Contractor with Hamburg Wheel test results on the trial batch. Provide the Engineer with a copy of the trial batch test results.
- 4.4.2.1.14. **Development of JMF2.** Evaluate the trial batch test results after the Engineer grants full approval of JMF1 based on results from the trial batch, determine the optimum mixture proportions, and submit as JMF2. Adjust the asphalt binder content or gradation to achieve the specified target laboratory-molded density. The asphalt binder content established for JMF2 is not required to be within any tolerance of the optimum asphalt binder content established for JMF1; however, mixture produced using JMF2 must meet the voids in mineral aggregates (VMA) requirements for production shown in Table 8. If the optimum asphalt binder content for JMF2 is more than 0.5% lower than the optimum asphalt binder content for JMF1, the Engineer may perform or require the Contractor to perform [Tex-226-F](#) on Lot 1 production to confirm the indirect tensile strength does not exceed 200 psi. Verify that JMF2 meets the mixture requirements in Table 5.
- 4.4.2.1.15. **Mixture Production.** Use JMF2 to produce Lot 1 as described in Section 3076.4.9.3.1.1., "Lot 1 Placement," after receiving approval for JMF2 and a passing result from the Department's or a Department-approved

laboratory's Hamburg Wheel test on the trial batch. If desired, proceed to Lot 1 production, once JMF2 is approved, at the Contractor's risk without receiving the results from the Department's Hamburg Wheel test on the trial batch.

Notify the Engineer if electing to proceed without Hamburg Wheel test results from the trial batch. Note that the Engineer may require up to the entire subplot of any mixture failing the Hamburg Wheel test to be removed and replaced at the Contractor's expense.

4.4.2.1.16. **Development of JMF3.** Evaluate the test results from Lot 1, determine the optimum mixture proportions, and submit as JMF3 for use in Lot 2.

4.4.2.1.17. **JMF Adjustments.** If JMF adjustments are necessary to achieve the specified requirements, make the adjustments before beginning a new lot. The adjusted JMF must:

- be provided to the Engineer in writing before the start of a new lot;
- be numbered in sequence to the previous JMF;
- meet the mixture requirements in Table 4 and Table 5;
- meet the master gradation limits shown in Table 8; and
- be within the operational tolerances of JMF2 listed in Table 11.

4.4.2.1.18. **Requesting Referee Testing.** Use referee testing, if needed, in accordance with Section 3076.4.9.1., "Referee Testing," to resolve testing differences with the Engineer.

Table 11
Operational Tolerances

Description	Test Method	Allowable Difference Between Trial Batch and JMF1 Target	Allowable Difference from Current JMF Target	Allowable Difference between Contractor and Engineer ¹
Individual % retained for #8 sieve and larger	Tex-200-F or Tex-236-F	Must be Within Master Grading Limits in Table 8	$\pm 5.0^{2,3}$	± 5.0
Individual % retained for sieves smaller than #8 and larger than #200			$\pm 3.0^{2,3}$	± 3.0
% passing the #200 sieve			$\pm 2.0^{2,3}$	± 1.6
Asphalt binder content, %	Tex-236-F	± 0.5	$\pm 0.3^3$	± 0.3
Laboratory-molded density, %	Tex-207-F	± 1.0	± 1.0	± 1.0
In-place air voids, %		N/A	N/A	± 1.0
Laboratory-molded bulk specific gravity		N/A	N/A	± 0.020
VMA, %, min	Tex-204-F	Note ⁴	Note ⁴	N/A
Theoretical maximum specific (Rice) gravity	Tex-227-F	N/A	N/A	± 0.020

1. Contractor may request referee testing only when values exceed these tolerances.
2. When within these tolerances, mixture production gradations may fall outside the master grading limits; however, the % passing the #200 will be considered out of tolerance when outside the master grading limits.
3. Only applies to mixture produced for Lot 1 and higher.
4. Test and verify that Table 8 requirements are met.

4.4.2.2. **Engineer's Responsibilities.**

4.4.2.2.1. **Gyratory Compactor.** For SGC mixtures designed in accordance with [Tex-204-F](#), Part IV, the Engineer will use a Department SGC, calibrated in accordance with [Tex-241-F](#), to mold samples for laboratory mixture design verification. For molding trial batch and production specimens, the Engineer will use the Contractor-provided SGC at the field laboratory or provide and use a Department SGC at an alternate location. The Engineer will make the Contractor-provided SGC in the Department field laboratory available to the Contractor for molding verification samples.

For TGC mixtures designed in accordance with [Tex-204-F](#), Part I, the Engineer will use a Department TGC, calibrated in accordance with [Tex-914-K](#), to mold samples for trial batch and production testing. The Engineer will make the Department TGC and the Department field laboratory available to the Contractor for molding verification samples, if requested by the Contractor.

4.4.2.2.2. **Conditional Approval of JMF1 and Authorizing Trial Batch.** The Engineer will review and verify conformance of the following information within 2 working days of receipt:

- the Contractor's mix design report (JMF1);
- the Contractor-provided Hamburg Wheel test results;
- all required materials including aggregates, asphalt, additives, and recycled materials; and
- the mixture specifications.

The Engineer will grant the Contractor conditional approval of JMF1 if the information provided on the paper copy of JMF1 indicates that the Contractor's mixture design meets the specifications. When the Contractor does not provide Hamburg Wheel test results with laboratory mixture design, 10 working days are allowed for conditional approval of JMF1. The Engineer will base full approval of JMF1 on the test results on mixture from the trial batch.

Unless waived, the Engineer will determine the Micro-Deval abrasion loss in accordance with Section 3076.2.1.1.2., "Micro-Deval Abrasion." If the Engineer's test results are pending after two working days, conditional approval of JMF1 will still be granted within two working days of receiving JMF1. When the Engineer's test results become available, they will be used for specification compliance.

After conditionally approving JMF1, including either Contractor- or Department-supplied Hamburg Wheel test results, the Contractor is authorized to produce a trial batch.

4.4.2.2.3. **Hamburg Wheel Testing of JMF1.** If the Contractor requests the option to have the Department perform the Hamburg Wheel test on the laboratory mixture, the Engineer will mold samples in accordance with [Tex-242-F](#) to verify compliance with the Hamburg Wheel test requirement in Table 10.

4.4.2.2.4. **Ignition Oven Correction Factors.** The Engineer will use the split samples provided by the Contractor to determine the aggregate and asphalt correction factors for the ignition oven used for QA testing during production in accordance with [Tex-236-F](#), Part II. Provide correction factors that are not more than 12 months old.

4.4.2.2.5. **Testing the Trial Batch.** Within 1 full working day, the Engineer will sample and test the trial batch to ensure that the mixture meets the requirements in Table 11. If the Contractor requests the option to have the Department perform the Hamburg Wheel test on the trial batch mixture, the Engineer will mold samples in accordance with [Tex-242-F](#) to verify compliance with the Hamburg Wheel test requirement in Table 10.

The Engineer will have the option to perform the following tests on the trial batch:

- [Tex-226-F](#), to verify that the indirect tensile strength meets the requirement shown in Table 9; and
- [Tex-530-C](#), to retain and use for comparison purposes during production.

4.4.2.2.6. **Full Approval of JMF1.** The Engineer will grant full approval of JMF1 and authorize the Contractor to proceed with developing JMF2 if the Engineer's results for the trial batch meet the requirements in Table 11. The Engineer will notify the Contractor that an additional trial batch is required if the trial batch does not meet these requirements.

4.4.2.2.7. **Approval of JMF2.** The Engineer will approve JMF2 within one working day if the mixture meets the requirements in Table 5 and the gradation meets the master grading limits shown in Table 8. The asphalt binder content established for JMF2 is not required to be within any tolerance of the optimum asphalt binder content established for JMF1; however, mixture produced using JMF2 must meet the VMA requirements shown in Table 8. If the optimum asphalt binder content for JMF2 is more than 0.5% lower than the optimum asphalt binder content for JMF1, the Engineer may perform or require the Contractor to perform [Tex-226-F](#) on Lot 1 production to confirm the indirect tensile strength does not exceed 200 psi.

4.4.2.2.8. **Approval of Lot 1 Production.** The Engineer will authorize the Contractor to proceed with Lot 1 production (using JMF2) as soon as a passing result is achieved from the Department's or a Department-approved laboratory's Hamburg Wheel test on the trial batch. The Contractor may proceed at its own risk with Lot 1 production without the results from the Hamburg Wheel test on the trial batch.

If the Department's or Department-approved laboratory's sample from the trial batch fails the Hamburg Wheel test, the Engineer will suspend production until further Hamburg Wheel tests meet the specified values. The Engineer may require up to the entire subplot of any mixture failing the Hamburg Wheel test be removed and replaced at the Contractor's expense.

4.4.2.2.9. **Approval of JMF3 and Subsequent JMF Changes.** JMF3 and subsequent JMF changes are approved if they meet the mixture requirements shown in Table 4, Table 5, and the master grading limits shown in Table 8, and are within the operational tolerances of JMF2 shown in Table 11.

4.5. **Production Operations.** Perform a new trial batch when the plant or plant location is changed. Take corrective action and receive approval to proceed after any production suspension for noncompliance to the specification. Submit a new mix design and perform a new trial batch when the asphalt binder content of:

- any RAP stockpile used in the mix is more than 0.5% higher than the value shown on the mixture design report; or
- RAS stockpile used in the mix is more than 2.0% higher than the value shown on the mixture design report.

4.5.1. **Storage and Heating of Materials.** Do not heat the asphalt binder above the temperatures specified in Item 300, "Asphalts, Oils, and Emulsions," or outside the manufacturer's recommended values. Provide the Engineer with daily records of asphalt binder and hot-mix asphalt discharge temperatures (in legible and discernible increments) in accordance with Item 320, "Equipment for Asphalt Concrete Pavement," unless otherwise directed. Do not store mixture for a period long enough to affect the quality of the mixture, nor in any case longer than 12 hr. unless otherwise approved.

4.5.2. **Mixing and Discharge of Materials.** Notify the Engineer of the target discharge temperature and produce the mixture within 25°F of the target. Monitor the temperature of the material in the truck before shipping to ensure that it does not exceed the maximum production temperatures listed in Table 12 (or 275°F for WMA). The Department will not pay for or allow placement of any mixture produced above the maximum production temperatures listed in Table 12.

Table 12
Maximum Production Temperature

High-Temperature Binder Grade ¹	Maximum Production Temperature
PG 64	325°F
PG 70	335°F
PG 76	345°F

1. The high-temperature binder grade refers to the high-temperature grade of the virgin asphalt binder used to produce the mixture.

Produce WMA within the target discharge temperature range of 215°F and 275°F when WMA is required. Take corrective action any time the discharge temperature of the WMA exceeds the target discharge range. The Engineer may suspend production operations if the Contractor's corrective action is not successful at controlling the production temperature within the target discharge range. Note that when WMA is produced, it may be necessary to adjust burners to ensure complete combustion such that no burner fuel residue remains in the mixture.

Control the mixing time and temperature so that substantially all moisture is removed from the mixture before discharging from the plant. Determine the moisture content, if requested, by oven-drying in accordance with

[Tex-212-F](#), Part II, and verify that the mixture contains no more than 0.2% of moisture by weight. Obtain the sample immediately after discharging the mixture into the truck, and perform the test promptly.

- 4.6. **Hauling Operations.** Clean all truck beds before use to ensure that mixture is not contaminated. Use a release agent shown on the Department's MPL to coat the inside bed of the truck when necessary.

Use equipment for hauling as defined in Section 3076.4.7.3.3., "Hauling Equipment." Use other hauling equipment only when allowed.

- 4.7. **Placement Operations.** Collect haul tickets from each load of mixture delivered to the project and provide the Department's copy to the Engineer approximately every hour, or as directed. Use a hand-held thermal camera or infrared thermometer, when a thermal imaging system is not used, to measure and record the internal temperature of the mixture as discharged from the truck or Material Transfer Device (MTD) before or as the mix enters the paver and an approximate station number or GPS coordinates on each ticket. Calculate the daily yield and cumulative yield for the specified lift and provide to the Engineer at the end of paving operations for each day unless otherwise directed. The Engineer may suspend production if the Contractor fails to produce and provide haul tickets and yield calculations by the end of paving operations for each day.

Prepare the surface by removing raised pavement markers and objectionable material such as moisture, dirt, sand, leaves, and other loose impediments from the surface before placing mixture. Remove vegetation from pavement edges. Place the mixture to meet the typical section requirements and produce a smooth, finished surface with a uniform appearance and texture. Offset longitudinal joints of successive courses of hot-mix by at least 6 in. Place mixture so that longitudinal joints on the surface course coincide with lane lines and are not placed in the wheel path, or as directed. Ensure that all finished surfaces will drain properly. Place the mixture at the rate or thickness shown on the plans. The Engineer will use the guidelines in Table 13 to determine the compacted lift thickness of each layer when multiple lifts are required. The thickness determined is based on the rate of 110 lb./sq. yd. for each inch of pavement unless otherwise shown on the plans.

Table 13
Compacted Lift Thickness and Required Core Height

Mixture Type	Compacted Lift Thickness Guidelines		Minimum Untrimmed Core Height (in.) Eligible for Testing
	Minimum (in.)	Maximum (in.)	
B	2.50	5.00	1.75
C	2.00	4.00	1.50
D	1.50	3.00	1.25
F	1.25	2.50	1.25

- 4.7.1. **Weather Conditions.**

- 4.7.1.1. **When Using a Thermal Imaging System.** Place mixture when the roadway surface is dry and the roadway surface temperature is at or above the temperatures listed in Table 14A. The Engineer may restrict the Contractor from paving surface mixtures if the ambient temperature is likely to drop below 32°F within 12 hr. of paving. Place mixtures only when weather conditions and moisture conditions of the roadway surface are suitable as determined by the Engineer. Provide output data from the thermal imaging system to demonstrate to the Engineer that no recurring severe thermal segregation exists in accordance with Section 3076.4.7.3.1.2., "Thermal Imaging System."

Table 14A
Minimum Pavement Surface Temperatures

High-Temperature Binder Grade ¹	Minimum Pavement Surface Temperatures (°F)	
	Subsurface Layers or Night Paving Operations	Surface Layers Placed in Daylight Operations
PG 64	35	40
PG 70	45 ²	50 ²
PG 76	45 ²	50 ²

1. The high-temperature binder grade refers to the high-temperature grade of the virgin asphalt binder used to produce the mixture.
2. Contractors may pave at temperatures 10°F lower than these values when a chemical WMA additive is used as a compaction aid in the mixture or when using WMA.

4.7.1.2.

When Not Using a Thermal Imaging System. When using a thermal camera instead of the thermal imaging system, place mixture when the roadway surface temperature is at or above the temperatures listed in Table 14B unless otherwise approved or as shown on the plans. Measure the roadway surface temperature with a hand-held thermal camera or infrared thermometer. The Engineer may allow mixture placement to begin before the roadway surface reaches the required temperature if conditions are such that the roadway surface will reach the required temperature within 2 hr. of beginning placement operations. Place mixtures only when weather conditions and moisture conditions of the roadway surface are suitable as determined by the Engineer. The Engineer may restrict the Contractor from paving if the ambient temperature is likely to drop below 32°F within 12 hr. of paving.

Table 14B
Minimum Pavement Surface Temperatures

High-Temperature Binder Grade ¹	Minimum Pavement Surface Temperatures (°F)	
	Subsurface Layers or Night Paving Operations	Surface Layers Placed in Daylight Operations
PG 64	45	50
PG 70	55 ²	60 ²
PG 76	60 ²	60 ²

1. The high-temperature binder grade refers to the high-temperature grade of the virgin asphalt binder used to produce the mixture.
2. Contractors may pave at temperatures 10°F lower than these values when a chemical WMA additive is used as a compaction aid in the mixture, when using WMA, or utilizing a paving process with equipment that eliminates thermal segregation. In such cases, for each sublot and in the presence of the Engineer, use a hand-held thermal camera operated in accordance with [Tex-244-F](#) to demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Engineer that the uncompacted mat has no more than 10°F of thermal segregation.

4.7.2.

Tack Coat.

4.7.2.1.

Application. Clean the surface before placing the tack coat. The Engineer will set the rate between 0.04 and 0.10 gal. of residual asphalt per square yard of surface area. Apply a uniform tack coat at the specified rate unless otherwise directed. Apply the tack coat in a uniform manner to avoid streaks and other irregular patterns. Apply the tack coat to all surfaces that will come in contact with the subsequent HMA placement, unless otherwise directed. Allow adequate time for emulsion to break completely before placing any material. Prevent splattering of tack coat when placed adjacent to curb, gutter, and structures. Do not dilute emulsified asphalts at the terminal, in the field, or at any other location before use.

4.7.2.2.

Sampling. The Engineer will obtain at least one sample of the tack coat binder per project in accordance with [Tex-500-C](#), Part III, and test it to verify compliance with Item 300, "Asphalts, Oils, and Emulsions." The Engineer will notify the Contractor when the sampling will occur and will witness the collection of the sample from the asphalt distributor immediately before use.

For emulsions, the Engineer may test as often as necessary to ensure the residual of the emulsion is greater than or equal to the specification requirement in Item 300, "Asphalts, Oils, and Emulsions."

- 4.7.3. **Lay-Down Operations.** Use the placement temperatures in Table 15 to establish the minimum placement temperature of the mixture delivered to the paver.

Table 15
Minimum Mixture Placement Temperature

High-Temperature Binder Grade ¹	Minimum Placement Temperature (Before Entering Paver) ^{2,3}
PG 64	260°F
PG 70	270°F
PG 76	280°F

1. The high-temperature binder grade refers to the high-temperature grade of the virgin asphalt binder used to produce the mixture.
2. Minimum placement temperatures may be reduced 10°F if using a chemical WMA additive as a compaction aid.
3. When using WMA, the minimum placement temperature is 215°F.

- 4.7.3.1. **Thermal Profile.** Use a hand-held thermal camera or a thermal imaging system to obtain a continuous thermal profile in accordance with [Tex-244-F](#). Thermal profiles are not applicable in areas described in Section 3076.4.9.3.1.4., “Miscellaneous Areas.”
- 4.7.3.1.1. **Thermal Segregation.**
- 4.7.3.1.1.1. **Moderate.** Any areas that have a temperature differential greater than 25°F, but not exceeding 50°F, are deemed as moderate thermal segregation.
- 4.7.3.1.1.2. **Severe.** Any areas that have a temperature differential greater than 50°F are deemed as severe thermal segregation.
- 4.7.3.1.2. **Thermal Imaging System.** Review the output results when a thermal imaging system is used, and provide the automated report described in [Tex-244-F](#) to the Engineer daily unless otherwise directed. Modify the paving process as necessary to eliminate any recurring (moderate or severe) thermal segregation identified by the thermal imaging system. The Engineer may suspend paving operations if the Contractor cannot successfully modify the paving process to eliminate recurring severe thermal segregation. Density profiles are not required and not applicable when using a thermal imaging system. Provide the Engineer with electronic copies of all daily data files that can be used with the thermal imaging system software to generate temperature profile plots daily or upon completion of the project or as requested by the Engineer.
- 4.7.3.1.3. **Thermal Camera.** When using a thermal camera instead of the thermal imaging system, take immediate corrective action to eliminate recurring moderate thermal segregation when a hand-held thermal camera is used. Evaluate areas with moderate thermal segregation by performing density profiles in accordance with Section 3076.4.9.3.3.2., “Segregation (Density Profile).” Provide the Engineer with the thermal profile of every subplot within one working day of the completion of each lot. When requested by the Engineer, provide the thermal images generated using the thermal camera. Report the results of each thermal profile in accordance with Section 3076.4.2., “Reporting and Responsibilities.” The Engineer will use a hand-held thermal camera to obtain a thermal profile at least once per project. No production or placement payment adjustments greater than 1.000 will be paid for any subplot that contains severe thermal segregation. Suspend operations and take immediate corrective action to eliminate severe thermal segregation unless otherwise directed. Resume operations when the Engineer determines that subsequent production will meet the requirements of this Section. Evaluate areas with severe thermal segregation by performing density profiles in accordance with Section 3076.4.9.3.3.2., “Segregation (Density Profile).” Remove and replace the material in any areas that have both severe thermal segregation and a failing result for Segregation (Density Profile) unless otherwise directed. The subplot in question may receive a production and placement payment adjustment greater than 1.000, if applicable, when the defective material is successfully removed and replaced.
- 4.7.3.2. **Windrow Operations.** Operate windrow pickup equipment so that when hot-mix is placed in windrows, substantially all the mixture deposited on the roadbed is picked up and loaded into the paver.

4.7.3.3. **Hauling Equipment.** Use belly dumps, live bottom, or end dump trucks to haul and transfer mixture; however, with exception of paving miscellaneous areas, end dump trucks are only allowed when used in conjunction with an MTD with remixing capability or when a thermal imaging system is used unless otherwise allowed.

4.7.3.4. **Screed Heaters.** Turn off screed heaters to prevent overheating of the mat if the paver stops for more than 5 min. The Engineer may evaluate the suspect area in accordance with Section 3076.4.9.3.3.4., "Recovered Asphalt Dynamic Shear Rheometer (DSR)," if the screed heater remains on for more than 5 min. while the paver is stopped.

4.8. **Compaction.** Compact the pavement uniformly to contain between 3.8% and 8.5% in-place air voids. Take immediate corrective action to bring the operation within 3.8% and 8.5% when the in-place air voids exceed the range of these tolerances. The Engineer will allow paving to resume when the proposed corrective action is likely to yield between 3.8% and 8.5% in-place air voids.

Obtain cores in areas placed under Exempt Production, as directed, at locations determined by the Engineer. The Engineer may test these cores and suspend operations or require removal and replacement if the in-place air voids are less than 2.7% or more than 9.9%. Areas defined in Section 3076.4.9.3.1.4., "Miscellaneous Areas," are not subject to in-place air void determination.

Furnish the type, size, and number of rollers required for compaction as approved. Use additional rollers as required to remove any roller marks. Use only water or an approved release agent on rollers, tamps, and other compaction equipment unless otherwise directed.

Use the control strip method shown in [Tex-207-F](#), Part IV, on the first day of production to establish the rolling pattern that will produce the desired in-place air voids unless otherwise directed.

Use tamps to thoroughly compact the edges of the pavement along curbs, headers, and similar structures and in locations that will not allow thorough compaction with rollers. The Engineer may require rolling with a trench roller on widened areas, in trenches, and in other limited areas.

Complete all compaction operations before the pavement temperature drops below 160°F unless otherwise allowed. The Engineer may allow compaction with a light finish roller operated in static mode for pavement temperatures below 160°F.

Allow the compacted pavement to cool to 160°F or lower before opening to traffic unless otherwise directed. Sprinkle the finished mat with water or limewater, when directed, to expedite opening the roadway to traffic.

4.9. **Acceptance Plan.** Payment adjustments for the material will be in accordance with Article 3076.6., "Payment."

Sample and test the hot-mix on a lot and subplot basis. Suspend production until test results or other information indicates to the satisfaction of the Engineer that the next material produced or placed will result in payment factors of at least 1.000, if the production payment factor given in Section 3076.6.1., "Production Payment Adjustment Factors," for two consecutive lots or the placement pay factor given in Section 3076.6.2., "Placement Payment Adjustment Factors," for two consecutive lots is below 1.000.

4.9.1. **Referee Testing.** The Materials and Tests Division is the referee laboratory. The Contractor may request referee testing if a "remove and replace" condition is determined based on the Engineer's test results, or if the differences between Contractor and Engineer test results exceed the maximum allowable difference shown in Table 11 and the differences cannot be resolved. The Contractor may also request referee testing if the Engineer's test results require suspension of production and the Contractor's test results are within specification limits. Make the request within five working days after receiving test results and cores from the Engineer. Referee tests will be performed only on the subplot in question and only for the particular tests in question. Allow 10 working days from the time the referee laboratory receives the samples for test results to

be reported. The Department may require the Contractor to reimburse the Department for referee tests if more than three referee tests per project are required and the Engineer's test results are closer to the referee test results than the Contractor's test results.

The Materials and Tests Division will determine the laboratory-molded density based on the molded specific gravity and the maximum theoretical specific gravity of the referee sample. The in-place air voids will be determined based on the bulk specific gravity of the cores, as determined by the referee laboratory and the Engineer's average maximum theoretical specific gravity for the lot. With the exception of "remove and replace" conditions, referee test results are final and will establish payment adjustment factors for the subplot in question. The Contractor may decline referee testing and accept the Engineer's test results when the placement payment adjustment factor for any subplot results in a "remove and replace" condition. Placement sublots subject to be removed and replaced will be further evaluated in accordance with Section 3076.6.2.2., "Placement Sublots Subject to Removal and Replacement."

4.9.2. **Production Acceptance.**

4.9.2.1. **Production Lot.** A production lot consists of four equal sublots. The default quantity for Lot 1 is 1,000 tons; however, when requested by the Contractor, the Engineer may increase the quantity for Lot 1 to no more than 4,000 tons. The Engineer will select subsequent lot sizes based on the anticipated daily production such that approximately three to four sublots are produced each day. The lot size will be between 1,000 tons and 4,000 tons. The Engineer may change the lot size before the Contractor begins any lot.

If the optimum asphalt binder content for JMF2 is more than 0.5% lower than the optimum asphalt binder content for JMF1, the Engineer may perform or require the Contractor to perform [Tex-226-F](#) on Lot 1 to confirm the indirect tensile strength does not exceed 200 psi. Take corrective action to bring the mixture within specification compliance if the indirect tensile strength exceeds 200 psi unless otherwise directed.

4.9.2.1.1. **Incomplete Production Lots.** If a lot is begun but cannot be completed, such as on the last day of production or in other circumstances deemed appropriate, the Engineer may close the lot. Adjust the payment for the incomplete lot in accordance with Section 3076.6.1., "Production Payment Adjustment Factors." Close all lots within five working days unless otherwise allowed.

4.9.2.2. **Production Sampling.**

4.9.2.2.1. **Mixture Sampling.** Obtain hot-mix samples from trucks at the plant in accordance with [Tex-222-F](#). The sampler will split each sample into three equal portions in accordance with [Tex-200-F](#) and label these portions as "Contractor," "Engineer," and "Referee." The Engineer will perform or witness the sample splitting and take immediate possession of the samples labeled "Engineer" and "Referee." The Engineer will maintain the custody of the samples labeled "Engineer" and "Referee" until the Department's testing is completed.

4.9.2.2.1.1. **Random Sample.** At the beginning of the project, the Engineer will select random numbers for all production sublots. Determine sample locations in accordance with [Tex-225-F](#). Take one sample for each subplot at the randomly selected location. The Engineer will perform or witness the sampling of production sublots.

4.9.2.2.1.2. **Blind Sample.** For one subplot per lot, the Engineer will obtain and test a "blind" sample instead of the random sample collected by the Contractor. Test either the "blind" or the random sample; however, referee testing (if applicable) will be based on a comparison of results from the "blind" sample. The location of the Engineer's "blind" sample will not be disclosed to the Contractor. The Engineer's "blind" sample may be randomly selected in accordance with [Tex-225-F](#) for any subplot or selected at the discretion of the Engineer. The Engineer will use the Contractor's split sample for sublots not sampled by the Engineer.

4.9.2.2.2. **Informational Shear Bond Strength Testing.** Select one random subplot from Lot 2 or higher for shear bond strength testing. Obtain full depth cores in accordance with [Tex-249-F](#). Label the cores with the Control Section Job (CSJ), producer of the tack coat, mix type, shot rate, lot, and subplot number and provide to the

Engineer. The Engineer will ship the cores to the Materials and Tests Division or district laboratory for shear bond strength testing. Results from these tests will not be used for specification compliance.

- 4.9.2.2.3. **Asphalt Binder Sampling.** Obtain a 1-qt. sample of the asphalt binder witnessed by the Engineer for each lot of mixture produced. The Contractor will notify the Engineer when the sampling will occur. Obtain the sample at approximately the same time the mixture random sample is obtained. Sample from a port located immediately upstream from the mixing drum or pug mill and upstream from the introduction of any additives in accordance with [Tex-500-C](#), Part II. Label the can with the corresponding lot and subplot numbers, producer, producer facility location, grade, district, date sampled, and project information including highway and CSJ. The Engineer will retain these samples for one year. The Engineer may also obtain independent samples. If obtaining an independent asphalt binder sample and upon request of the Contractor, the Engineer will split a sample of the asphalt binder with the Contractor.

At least once per project, the Engineer will collect split samples of each binder grade and source used. The Engineer will submit one split sample to MTD to verify compliance with Item 300, "Asphalts, Oils, and Emulsions" and will retain the other split sample for one year.

- 4.9.2.3. **Production Testing.** The Contractor and Engineer must perform production tests in accordance with Table 16. The Contractor has the option to verify the Engineer's test results on split samples provided by the Engineer. Determine compliance with operational tolerances listed in Table 11 for all sublots.

Take immediate corrective action if the Engineer's laboratory-molded density on any subplot is less than 95.0% or greater than 97.0% to bring the mixture within these tolerances. The Engineer may suspend operations if the Contractor's corrective actions do not produce acceptable results. The Engineer will allow production to resume when the proposed corrective action is likely to yield acceptable results.

The Engineer may allow alternate methods for determining the asphalt binder content and aggregate gradation if the aggregate mineralogy is such that [Tex-236-F](#), Part I does not yield reliable results. Provide evidence that results from [Tex-236-F](#), Part I are not reliable before requesting permission to use an alternate method unless otherwise directed. Use the applicable test procedure as directed if an alternate test method is allowed.

Table 16
Production and Placement Testing Frequency

Description	Test Method	Minimum Contractor Testing Frequency	Minimum Engineer Testing Frequency
Individual % retained for #8 sieve and larger	Tex-200-F or Tex-236-F	1 per subplot	1 per 12 sublots ¹
Individual % retained for sieves smaller than #8 and larger than #200			
% passing the #200 sieve			
Laboratory-molded density	Tex-207-F	N/A	1 per subplot ¹
Laboratory-molded bulk specific gravity			
In-place air voids			
VMA	Tex-204-F	1 per subplot	1 per project
Segregation (density profile) ²	Tex-207-F , Part V		
Longitudinal joint density	Tex-207-F , Part VII	When directed	1 per subplot ¹
Moisture content	Tex-212-F , Part II	N/A	
Theoretical maximum specific (Rice) gravity	Tex-227-F	1 per subplot	1 per lot ¹
Asphalt binder content	Tex-236-F	N/A	1 per project
Hamburg Wheel test	Tex-242-F	N/A	
Recycled Asphalt Shingles (RAS) ³	Tex-217-F , Part III	1 per subplot	
Thermal profile ²	Tex-244-F	1 per lot (sample only) ⁴	
Asphalt binder sampling and testing	Tex-500-C , Part II	N/A	
Tack coat sampling and testing	Tex-500-C , Part III	1 per lot	
Boil test ⁵	Tex-530-C	1 per project (sample only)	
Shear Bond Strength Test ⁶	Tex-249-F		

1. For production defined in Section 3076.4.9.4., "Exempt Production," the Engineer will test one per day if 100 tons or more are produced. For Exempt Production, no testing is required when less than 100 tons are produced.
2. Not required when a thermal imaging system is used.
3. Testing performed by the Materials and Tests Division or designated laboratory.
4. Obtain witnessed by the Engineer. The Engineer will retain these samples for one year.
5. The Engineer may reduce or waive the sampling and testing requirements based on a satisfactory test history.
6. Testing performed by the Materials and Tests Division or District for informational purposes only.

4.9.2.4. **Operational Tolerances.** Control the production process within the operational tolerances listed in Table 11. When production is suspended, the Engineer will allow production to resume when test results or other information indicates the next mixture produced will be within the operational tolerances.

4.9.2.4.1. **Gradation.** Suspend operation and take corrective action if any aggregate is retained on the maximum sieve size shown in Table 8. A subplot is defined as out of tolerance if either the Engineer's or the Contractor's test results are out of operational tolerance. Suspend production when test results for gradation exceed the operational tolerances in Table 11 for three consecutive sublots on the same sieve or four consecutive sublots on any sieve unless otherwise directed. The consecutive sublots may be from more than one lot.

4.9.2.4.2. **Asphalt Binder Content.** A subplot is defined as out of operational tolerance if either the Engineer's or the Contractor's test results exceed the values listed in Table 11. No production or placement payment adjustments greater than 1.000 will be paid for any subplot that is out of operational tolerance for asphalt binder content. Suspend production and shipment of the mixture if the Engineer's or the Contractor's asphalt binder content deviates from the current JMF by more than 0.5% for any subplot.

4.9.2.4.3. **Voids in Mineral Aggregates (VMA).** The Engineer will determine the VMA for every subplot. For sublots when the Engineer does not determine asphalt binder content, the Engineer will use the asphalt binder content results from QC testing performed by the Contractor to determine VMA.

Take immediate corrective action if the VMA value for any subplot is less than the minimum VMA requirement for production listed in Table 8. Suspend production and shipment of the mixture if the Engineer's VMA results on two consecutive sublots are below the minimum VMA requirement for production listed in Table 8. No production or placement payment adjustments greater than 1.000 will be paid for any subplot that does not

meet the minimum VMA requirement for production listed in Table 8 based on the Engineer's VMA determination.

Suspend production and shipment of the mixture if the Engineer's VMA result is more than 0.5% below the minimum VMA requirement for production listed in Table 8. In addition to suspending production, the Engineer may require removal and replacement or may allow the subplot to be left in place without payment.

- 4.9.2.4.4. **Hamburg Wheel Test.** The Engineer may perform a Hamburg Wheel test at any time during production, including when the boil test indicates a change in quality from the materials submitted for JMF1. In addition to testing production samples, the Engineer may obtain cores and perform Hamburg Wheel tests on any areas of the roadway where rutting is observed. Suspend production until further Hamburg Wheel tests meet the specified values when the production or core samples fail the Hamburg Wheel test criteria in Table 10. Core samples, if taken, will be obtained from the center of the finished mat or other areas excluding the vehicle wheel paths. The Engineer may require up to the entire subplot of any mixture failing the Hamburg Wheel test to be removed and replaced at the Contractor's expense.

If the Department's or Department approved laboratory's Hamburg Wheel test results in a "remove and replace" condition, the Contractor may request that the Department confirm the results by re-testing the failing material. The Materials and Tests Division will perform the Hamburg Wheel tests and determine the final disposition of the material in question based on the Department's test results.

- 4.9.2.5. **Individual Loads of Hot-Mix.** The Engineer can reject individual truckloads of hot-mix. When a load of hot-mix is rejected for reasons other than temperature, contamination, or excessive uncoated particles, the Contractor may request that the rejected load be tested. Make this request within 4 hr. of rejection. The Engineer will sample and test the mixture. If test results are within the operational tolerances shown in Table 11, payment will be made for the load. If test results are not within operational tolerances, no payment will be made for the load.

4.9.3. **Placement Acceptance.**

- 4.9.3.1. **Placement Lot.** A placement lot consists of four placement sublots. A placement subplot consists of the area placed during a production subplot.

- 4.9.3.1.1. **Lot 1 Placement.** Placement payment adjustments greater than 1.000 for Lot 1 will be in accordance with Section 3076.6.2., "Placement Payment Adjustment Factors"; however, no placement adjustment less than 1.000 will be assessed for any subplot placed in Lot 1 when the in-place air voids are greater than or equal to 2.7% and less than or equal to 9.9%. Remove and replace any subplot with in-place air voids less than 2.7% or greater than 9.9%.

- 4.9.3.1.2. **Incomplete Placement Lots.** An incomplete placement lot consists of the area placed as described in Section 3076.4.9.2.1.1., "Incomplete Production Lots," excluding areas defined in Section 3076.4.9.3.1.4., "Miscellaneous Areas." Placement sampling is required if the random sample plan for production resulted in a sample being obtained from an incomplete production subplot.

- 4.9.3.1.3. **Shoulders, Ramps, Etc.** Shoulders, ramps, intersections, acceleration lanes, deceleration lanes, and turn lanes are subject to in-place air void determination and payment adjustments unless designated on the plans as not eligible for in-place air void determination. Intersections may be considered miscellaneous areas when determined by the Engineer.

- 4.9.3.1.4. **Miscellaneous Areas.** Miscellaneous areas include areas that typically involve significant handwork or discontinuous paving operations, such as temporary detours, driveways, mailbox turnouts, crossovers, gores, spot level-up areas, and other similar areas. Temporary detours are subject to in-place air void determination when shown on the plans. Miscellaneous areas also include level-ups and thin overlays when the layer thickness specified on the plans is less than the minimum untrimmed core height eligible for testing shown in Table 13. The specified layer thickness is based on the rate of 110 lb./sq. yd. for each inch of

pavement unless another rate is shown on the plans. When “level up” is listed as part of the item bid description code, a payment adjustment factor of 1.000 will be assigned for all placement sublots as described in Article 3076.6, “Payment.” Miscellaneous areas are not eligible for random placement sampling locations. Compact miscellaneous areas in accordance with Section 3076.4.8., “Compaction.” Miscellaneous areas are not subject to in-place air void determination, thermal profiles testing, segregation (density profiles), or longitudinal joint density evaluations.

4.9.3.2.

Placement Sampling. The Engineer will select random numbers for all placement sublots at the beginning of the project. The Engineer will provide the Contractor with the placement random numbers immediately after the subplot is completed. Mark the roadway location at the completion of each subplot and record the station number. Determine one random sample location for each placement subplot in accordance with [Tex-225-F](#). Adjust the random sample location by no more than necessary to achieve a 2-ft. clearance if the location is within 2 ft. of a joint or pavement edge.

Shoulders, ramps, intersections, acceleration lanes, deceleration lanes, and turn lanes are always eligible for selection as a random sample location; however, if a random sample location falls on one of these areas and the area is designated on the plans as not subject to in-place air void determination, cores will not be taken for the subplot and a 1.000 pay factor will be assigned to that subplot.

Provide the equipment and means to obtain and trim roadway cores on site. On-site is defined as in close proximity to where the cores are taken. Obtain the cores within one working day of the time the placement subplot is completed unless otherwise approved. Obtain two 6-in. diameter cores side-by-side from within 1 ft. of the random location provided for the placement subplot. For Type D and Type F mixtures, 4-in. diameter cores are allowed. Mark the cores for identification, measure and record the untrimmed core height, and provide the information to the Engineer. The Engineer will witness the coring operation and measurement of the core thickness. Visually inspect each core and verify that the current paving layer is bonded to the underlying layer. Take corrective action if an adequate bond does not exist between the current and underlying layer to ensure that an adequate bond will be achieved during subsequent placement operations.

Trim the cores immediately after obtaining the cores from the roadway in accordance with [Tex-251-F](#) if the core heights meet the minimum untrimmed value listed in Table 13. Trim the cores on site in the presence of the Engineer. Use a permanent marker or paint pen to record the lot and subplot numbers on each core as well as the designation as Core A or B. The Engineer may require additional information to be marked on the core and may choose to sign or initial the core. The Engineer will take custody of the cores immediately after witnessing the trimming of the cores and will retain custody of the cores until the Department’s testing is completed. Before turning the trimmed cores over to the Engineer, the Contractor may wrap the trimmed cores or secure them in a manner that will reduce the risk of possible damage occurring during transport by the Engineer. After testing, the Engineer will return the cores to the Contractor.

The Engineer may have the cores transported back to the Department’s laboratory at the HMA plant via the Contractor’s haul truck or other designated vehicle. In such cases where the cores will be out of the Engineer’s possession during transport, the Engineer will use Department-provided security bags and the Roadway Core Custody protocol located at <http://www.txdot.gov/business/specifications.htm> to provide a secure means and process that protects the integrity of the cores during transport.

Decide whether to include the pair of cores in the air void determination for that subplot if the core height before trimming is less than the minimum untrimmed value shown in Table 13. Trim the cores as described above before delivering to the Engineer if electing to have the cores included in the air void determination. Deliver untrimmed cores to the Engineer and inform the Engineer of the decision to not have the cores included in air void determination if electing to not have the cores included in air void determination. The placement pay factor for the subplot will be 1.000 if cores will not be included in air void determination.

Instead of the Contractor trimming the cores on site immediately after coring, the Engineer and the Contractor may mutually agree to have the trimming operations performed at an alternate location such as a field laboratory or other similar location. In such cases, the Engineer will take possession of the cores

immediately after they are obtained from the roadway and will retain custody of the cores until testing is completed. Either the Department or Contractor representative may perform trimming of the cores. The Engineer will witness all trimming operations in cases where the Contractor representative performs the trimming operation.

Dry the core holes and tack the sides and bottom immediately after obtaining the cores. Fill the hole with the same type of mixture and properly compact the mixture. Repair core holes with other methods when approved.

4.9.3.3. **Placement Testing.** Perform placement tests in accordance with Table 16. After the Engineer returns the cores, the Contractor may test the cores to verify the Engineer's test results for in-place air voids. The allowable differences between the Contractor's and Engineer's test results are listed in Table 11.

4.9.3.3.1. **In-Place Air Voids.** The Engineer will measure in-place air voids in accordance with [Tex-207-F](#) and [Tex-227-F](#). Before drying to a constant weight, cores may be pre-dried using a CoreDry or similar vacuum device to remove excess moisture. The Engineer will average the values obtained for all sublots in the production lot to determine the theoretical maximum specific gravity. The Engineer will use the average air void content for in-place air voids.

The Engineer will use the vacuum method to seal the core if required by [Tex-207-F](#). The Engineer will use the test results from the unsealed core to determine the placement payment adjustment factor if the sealed core yields a higher specific gravity than the unsealed core. After determining the in-place air void content, the Engineer will return the cores and provide test results to the Contractor.

4.9.3.3.2. **Segregation (Density Profile).** Test for segregation using density profiles in accordance with [Tex-207-F](#), Part V when using a thermal camera instead of the thermal imaging system. Density profiles are not required and are not applicable when using a thermal imaging system. Density profiles are not applicable in areas described in Section 3076.4.9.3.1.4., "Miscellaneous Areas."

Perform a minimum of one density profile per subplot. Perform additional density profiles when any of the following conditions occur, unless otherwise approved:

- the paver stops due to lack of material being delivered to the paving operations and the temperature of the uncompacted mat before the initial break down rolling is less than the temperatures shown in Table 17;
- areas that are identified by either the Contractor or the Engineer with thermal segregation,;
- any visibly segregated areas that exist.

Table 17
Minimum Uncompacted Mat Temperature Requiring a Segregation Profile

High-Temperature Binder Grade ¹	Minimum Temperature of the Uncompacted Mat Allowed Before Initial Break Down Rolling ^{2,3,4}
PG 64	<250°F
PG 70	<260°F
PG 76	<270°F

1. The high-temperature binder grade refers to the high-temperature grade of the virgin asphalt binder used to produce the mixture.
2. Segregation profiles are required in areas with moderate and severe thermal segregation as described in Section 3076.4.7.3.1.3.
3. Minimum uncompacted mat temperature requiring a segregation profile may be reduced 10°F if using a chemical WMA additive as a compaction aid.
4. When using WMA, the minimum uncompacted mat temperature requiring a segregation profile is 215°F.

Provide the Engineer with the density profile of every subplot in the lot within one working day of the completion of each lot. Report the results of each density profile in accordance with Section 3076.4.2., "Reporting and Responsibilities."

The density profile is considered failing if it exceeds the tolerances in Table 18. No production or placement payment adjustments greater than 1.000 will be paid for any subplot that contains a failing density profile. When a hand-held thermal camera is used instead of a thermal imaging system, the Engineer will measure the density profile at least once per project. The Engineer's density profile results will be used when available. The Engineer may require the Contractor to remove and replace the area in question if the area fails the density profile and has surface irregularities as defined in Section 3076.4.9.3.3.5., "Irregularities." The subplot in question may receive a production and placement payment adjustment greater than 1.000, if applicable, when the defective material is successfully removed and replaced.

Investigate density profile failures and take corrective actions during production and placement to eliminate the segregation. Suspend production if 2 consecutive density profiles fail unless otherwise approved. Resume production after the Engineer approves changes to production or placement methods.

Table 18
Segregation (Density Profile) Acceptance Criteria

Mixture Type	Maximum Allowable Density Range (Highest to Lowest)	Maximum Allowable Density Range (Average to Lowest)
Type B	8.0 pcf	5.0 pcf
Type C, Type D & Type F	6.0 pcf	3.0 pcf

4.9.3.3.3. Longitudinal Joint Density.

4.9.3.3.3.1. **Informational Tests.** Perform joint density evaluations while establishing the rolling pattern and verify that the joint density is no more than 3.0 pcf below the density taken at or near the center of the mat. Adjust the rolling pattern, if needed, to achieve the desired joint density. Perform additional joint density evaluations, at least once per subplot, unless otherwise directed.

4.9.3.3.3.2. **Record Tests.** Perform a joint density evaluation for each subplot at each pavement edge that is or will become a longitudinal joint. Joint density evaluations are not applicable in areas described in Section 3076.4.9.3.1.4., "Miscellaneous Areas." Determine the joint density in accordance with [Tex-207-F](#), Part VII. Record the joint density information and submit results on Department forms to the Engineer. The evaluation is considered failing if the joint density is more than 3.0 pcf below the density taken at the core random sample location and the correlated joint density is less than 90.0%. The Engineer will make independent joint density verification at least once per project and may make independent joint density verifications at the random sample locations. The Engineer's joint density test results will be used when available.

Provide the Engineer with the joint density of every subplot in the lot within one working day of the completion of each lot. Report the results of each joint density in accordance with Section 3076.4.2., "Reporting and Responsibilities."

Investigate joint density failures and take corrective actions during production and placement to improve the joint density. Suspend production if the evaluations on two consecutive sublots fail unless otherwise approved. Resume production after the Engineer approves changes to production or placement methods.

4.9.3.3.4. **Recovered Asphalt Dynamic Shear Rheometer (DSR).** The Engineer may take production samples or cores from suspect areas of the project to determine recovered asphalt properties. Asphalt binders with an aging ratio greater than 3.5 do not meet the requirements for recovered asphalt properties and may be deemed defective when tested and evaluated by the Materials and Tests Division. The aging ratio is the DSR value of the extracted binder divided by the DSR value of the original unaged binder. Obtain DSR values in accordance with AASHTO T 315 at the specified high temperature performance grade of the asphalt. The Engineer may require removal and replacement of the defective material at the Contractor's expense. The asphalt binder will be recovered for testing from production samples or cores in accordance with [Tex-211-F](#).

4.9.3.3.5. **Irregularities.** Identify and correct irregularities including segregation, rutting, raveling, flushing, fat spots, mat slippage, irregular color, irregular texture, roller marks, tears, gouges, streaks, uncoated aggregate particles, or broken aggregate particles. The Engineer may also identify irregularities, and in such cases, the Engineer will promptly notify the Contractor. If the Engineer determines that the irregularity will adversely affect pavement performance, the Engineer may require the Contractor to remove and replace (at the Contractor's expense) areas of the pavement that contain irregularities. The Engineer may also require the Contractor to remove and replace (at the Contractor's expense) areas where the mixture does not bond to the existing pavement.

If irregularities are detected, the Engineer may require the Contractor to immediately suspend operations or may allow the Contractor to continue operations for no more than one day while the Contractor is taking appropriate corrective action.

4.9.4. **Exempt Production.** The Engineer may deem the mixture as exempt production for the following conditions:

- anticipated daily production is less than 500 tons;
- total production for the project is less than 5,000 tons;
- when mutually agreed between the Engineer and the Contractor; or
- when shown on the plans.

For exempt production, the Contractor is relieved of all production and placement sampling and testing requirements, except for coring operations when required by the Engineer. The production and placement pay factors are 1.000 if the specification requirements listed below are met, all other specification requirements are met, and the Engineer performs acceptance tests for production and placement listed in Table 16 when 100 tons or more per day are produced.

- produce, haul, place, and compact the mixture in compliance with the specification and as directed;
- control mixture production to yield a laboratory-molded density that is within $\pm 1.0\%$ of the target laboratory-molded density as tested by the Engineer;
- compact the mixture in accordance with Section 3076.4.8., "Compaction;" and
- when a thermal imaging system is not used, the Engineer may perform segregation (density profiles) and thermal profiles in accordance with the specification.

4.9.5. **Ride Quality.** Measure ride quality in accordance with Item 585, "Ride Quality for Pavement Surfaces," unless otherwise shown on the plans.

5. MEASUREMENT

- 5.1. **Dense Graded Hot-Mix Asphalt.** Hot mix will be measured by the ton of composite hot-mix, which includes asphalt, aggregate, and additives. Measure the weight on scales in accordance with Item 520, "Weighing and Measuring Equipment."
- 5.2. **Tack Coat.** Tack coat will be measured at the applied temperature by strapping the tank before and after road application and determining the net volume in gallons from the calibrated distributor. The Engineer will witness all strapping operations for volume determination. All tack, including emulsions, will be measured by the gallon applied.

The Engineer may allow the use of a metering device to determine asphalt volume used and application rate if the device is accurate within 1.5% of the strapped volume.

6. PAYMENT

The work performed and materials furnished in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under Section 3076.5.1, "Measurement," will be paid for at the unit bid price for "Dense Graded Hot-Mix Asphalt" of the mixture type, SAC, and binder specified. These prices are full compensation for surface preparation, materials, placement, equipment, labor, tools, and incidentals.

The work performed and materials furnished in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under Article 3076.5.2, "Measurement," will be paid for at the unit bid price for "Tack Coat" of the tack coat provided. These prices are full compensation for materials, placement, equipment, labor, tools, and incidentals. Payment adjustments will be applied as determined in this Item; however, a payment adjustment factor of 1.000 will be assigned for all placement sublots for "level ups" only when "level up" is listed as part of the item bid description code. A payment adjustment factor of 1.000 will be assigned to all production and placement sublots when "exempt" is listed as part of the item bid description code, and all testing requirements are met.

Payment for each subplot, including applicable payment adjustments greater than 1.000, will only be paid for sublots when the Contractor supplies the Engineer with the required documentation for production and placement QC/QA, thermal profiles, segregation density profiles, and longitudinal joint densities in accordance with Section 3076.4.2., "Reporting and Responsibilities." When a thermal imaging system is used, documentation is not required for thermal profiles or segregation density profiles on individual sublots; however, the thermal imaging system automated reports described in [Tex-244-F](#) are required.

Trial batches will not be paid for unless they are included in pavement work approved by the Department.

Payment adjustment for ride quality will be determined in accordance with Item 585, "Ride Quality for Pavement Surfaces."

- 6.1. **Production Payment Adjustment Factors.** The production payment adjustment factor is based on the laboratory-molded density using the Engineer's test results. The bulk specific gravities of the samples from each subplot will be divided by the Engineer's maximum theoretical specific gravity for the subplot. The individual sample densities for the subplot will be averaged to determine the production payment adjustment factor in accordance with Table 19 for each subplot, using the deviation from the target laboratory-molded density defined in Table 9. The production payment adjustment factor for completed lots will be the average of the payment adjustment factors for the four sublots sampled within that lot.

Table 19
Production Payment Adjustment Factors for Laboratory-Molded Density¹

Absolute Deviation from Target Laboratory-Molded Density	Production Payment Adjustment Factor (Target Laboratory-Molded Density)
0.0	1.050
0.1	1.050
0.2	1.050
0.3	1.044
0.4	1.038
0.5	1.031
0.6	1.025
0.7	1.019
0.8	1.013
0.9	1.006
1.0	1.000
1.1	0.965
1.2	0.930
1.3	0.895
1.4	0.860
1.5	0.825
1.6	0.790
1.7	0.755
1.8	0.720
> 1.8	Remove and replace

1. If the Engineer's laboratory-molded density on any subplot is less than 95.0% or greater than 98.0%, take immediate corrective action to bring the mixture within these tolerances. The Engineer may suspend operations if the Contractor's corrective actions do not produce acceptable results. The Engineer will allow production to resume when the proposed corrective action is likely to yield acceptable results.

- 6.1.1. **Payment for Incomplete Production Lots.** Production payment adjustments for incomplete lots, described under Section 3076.4.9.2.1.1., "Incomplete Production Lots," will be calculated using the average production payment factors from all sublots sampled.

A production payment factor of 1.000 will be assigned to any lot when the random sampling plan did not result in collection of any samples within the first subplot.

- 6.1.2. **Production Sublots Subject to Removal and Replacement.** If after referee testing, the laboratory-molded density for any subplot results in a "remove and replace" condition as listed in Table 19, the Engineer may require removal and replacement or may allow the subplot to be left in place without payment. The Engineer may also accept the subplot in accordance with Section 3076.5.3.1., "Acceptance of Defective or Unauthorized Work." Replacement material meeting the requirements of this Item will be paid for in accordance with this Section.

- 6.2. **Placement Payment Adjustment Factors.** The placement payment adjustment factor is based on in-place air voids using the Engineer's test results. The bulk specific gravities of the cores from each subplot will be divided by the Engineer's average maximum theoretical specific gravity for the lot. The individual core densities for the subplot will be averaged to determine the placement payment adjustment factor in accordance with Table 20 for each subplot that requires in-place air void measurement. A placement payment adjustment factor of 1.000 will be assigned to the entire subplot when the random sample location falls in an area designated on the plans as not subject to in-place air void determination. A placement payment adjustment factor of 1.000 will be assigned to quantities placed in areas described in Section 3076.4.9.3.1.4., "Miscellaneous Areas." The placement payment adjustment factor for completed lots will be the average of the placement payment adjustment factors for up to four sublots within that lot.

Table 20
Placement Payment Adjustment Factors for In-Place Air Voids

In-Place Air Voids	Placement Pay Adjustment Factor	In-Place Air Voids	Placement Pay Adjustment Factor
< 2.7	Remove and Replace	6.4	1.042
2.7	0.710	6.5	1.040
2.8	0.740	6.6	1.038
2.9	0.770	6.7	1.036
3.0	0.800	6.8	1.034
3.1	0.830	6.9	1.032
3.2	0.860	7.0	1.030
3.3	0.890	7.1	1.028
3.4	0.920	7.2	1.026
3.5	0.950	7.3	1.024
3.6	0.980	7.4	1.022
3.7	0.998	7.5	1.020
3.8	1.002	7.6	1.018
3.9	1.006	7.7	1.016
4.0	1.010	7.8	1.014
4.1	1.014	7.9	1.012
4.2	1.018	8.0	1.010
4.3	1.022	8.1	1.008
4.4	1.026	8.2	1.006
4.5	1.030	8.3	1.004
4.6	1.034	8.4	1.002
4.7	1.038	8.5	1.000
4.8	1.042	8.6	0.998
4.9	1.046	8.7	0.996
5.0	1.050	8.8	0.994
5.1	1.050	8.9	0.992
5.2	1.050	9.0	0.990
5.3	1.050	9.1	0.960
5.4	1.050	9.2	0.930
5.5	1.050	9.3	0.900
5.6	1.050	9.4	0.870
5.7	1.050	9.5	0.840
5.8	1.050	9.6	0.810
5.9	1.050	9.7	0.780
6.0	1.050	9.8	0.750
6.1	1.048	9.9	0.720
6.2	1.046	> 9.9	Remove and Replace
6.3	1.044		

6.2.1.

Payment for Incomplete Placement Lots. Payment adjustments for incomplete placement lots described under Section 3076.4.9.3.1.2., "Incomplete Placement Lots," will be calculated using the average of the placement payment factors from all sublots sampled and sublots where the random location falls in an area designated on the plans as not eligible for in-place air void determination.

If the random sampling plan results in production samples, but not in placement samples, the random core location and placement adjustment factor for the subplot will be determined by applying the placement random number to the length of the subplot placed.

If the random sampling plan results in placement samples, but not in production samples, no placement adjustment factor will apply for that subplot placed.

A placement payment adjustment factor of 1.000 will be assigned to any lot when the random sampling plan did not result in collection of any production samples.

- 6.2.2. **Placement Sublots Subject to Removal and Replacement.** If after referee testing, the placement payment adjustment factor for any subplot results in a “remove and replace” condition as listed in Table 20, the Engineer will choose the location of two cores to be taken within 3 ft. of the original failing core location. The Contractor will obtain the cores in the presence of the Engineer. The Engineer will take immediate possession of the untrimmed cores and submit the untrimmed cores to the Materials and Tests Division, where they will be trimmed if necessary and tested for bulk specific gravity within 10 working days of receipt.

The bulk specific gravity of the cores from each subplot will be divided by the Engineer’s average maximum theoretical specific gravity for the lot. The individual core densities for the subplot will be averaged to determine the new payment adjustment factor of the subplot in question. If the new payment adjustment factor is 0.700 or greater, the new payment adjustment factor will apply to that subplot. If the new payment adjustment factor is less than 0.700, no payment will be made for the subplot. Remove and replace the failing subplot, or the Engineer may allow the subplot to be left in place without payment. The Engineer may also accept the subplot in accordance with Section 3076.5.3.1., “Acceptance of Defective or Unauthorized Work.” Replacement material meeting the requirements of this Item will be paid for in accordance with this Section.

- 6.3. **Total Adjusted Pay Calculation.** Total adjusted pay (TAP) will be based on the applicable payment adjustment factors for production and placement for each lot.

$$TAP = (A+B)/2$$

where:

A = Bid price × production lot quantity × average payment adjustment factor for the production lot

B = Bid price × placement lot quantity × average payment adjustment factor for the placement lot + (bid price × quantity placed in miscellaneous areas × 1.000)

Production lot quantity = Quantity actually placed - quantity left in place without payment

Placement lot quantity = Quantity actually placed - quantity left in place without payment - quantity placed in miscellaneous areas

Special Specification 3079

Permeable Friction Course



1. DESCRIPTION

Construct a hot-mix asphalt (HMA) surface course composed of a compacted permeable mixture of aggregate, asphalt binder, and additives mixed hot in a mixing plant.

2. MATERIALS

Furnish uncontaminated materials of uniform quality that meet the requirements of the plans and specifications.

Notify the Engineer of all material sources and before changing any material source or formulation. The Engineer will verify that the specification requirements are met when the Contractor makes a source or formulation change, and may require a new laboratory mixture design, trial batch, or both. The Engineer may sample and test project materials at any time during the project to verify specification compliance in accordance with Item 6, "Control of Materials."

- 2.1. **Aggregate.** Furnish aggregates from sources that conform to the requirements in accordance with Table 1 and as specified in this Section. Aggregate requirements in this Section, including those shown in Table 1, may be modified or eliminated when shown on the plans. Additional aggregate requirements may be specified when shown on the plans. Provide aggregate stockpiles that meet the definitions in this Section for coarse aggregate. Do not use intermediate or fine aggregate in permeable friction course (PFC) mixtures. Supply aggregates that meet the definitions in [Tex-100-E](#) for crushed gravel or crushed stone. The Engineer will designate the plant or the quarry as the sampling location. Provide samples from materials produced for the project. The Engineer will establish the Surface Aggregate Classification (SAC) and perform Los Angeles abrasion, magnesium sulfate soundness, and Micro-Deval tests. Perform all other aggregate quality tests in accordance with Table 1. Document all test results on the mixture design report. The Engineer may perform tests on independent or split samples to verify Contractor test results. Stockpile aggregates for each source and type separately. Determine aggregate gradations for mixture design and production testing based on the washed sieve analysis given in [Tex-200-F](#), Part II.

- 2.1.1. **Coarse Aggregate.** Coarse aggregate stockpiles must have no more than 20% material passing the No. 8 sieve. Aggregates from sources listed in the Department's *Bituminous Rated Source Quality Catalog* (BRSQC) are preapproved for use. Use only the rated values for hot-mix listed in the BRSQC. Rated values for surface treatment (ST) do not apply to coarse aggregate sources used in hot-mix asphalt.

For sources not listed on the Department's BRSQC:

- build an individual stockpile for each material;
- request the Department test the stockpile for specification compliance;
- approved only when tested by the Engineer;
- once approved, do not add material to the stockpile unless otherwise approved; and
- allow 30 calendar days for the Engineer to sample, test, and report results.

Provide coarse aggregate with at least the minimum SAC shown on the plans. SAC requirements only apply to aggregates used on the surface of travel lanes, unless otherwise shown on the plans. SAC requirements apply to aggregates used on surfaces other than travel lanes when shown on the plans. The SAC for sources on the Department's *Aggregate Quality Monitoring Program* (AQMP) ([Tex-499-A](#)) is listed in the BRSQC.

2.1.1.1. **Blending Class A and Class B Aggregates.** To prevent crushing of the Class B aggregate when blending, Class B aggregate may be blended with a Class A aggregate to meet requirements for Class A materials if the Department's BRSQC rated source soundness magnesium (RSSM) rating for the Class B aggregate is less than the Class A aggregate or if the RSSM rating for the Class B aggregate is less than or equal to 10%. Use the rated values for hot mix asphaltic concrete (HMAC) published in the BRSQC. When blending Class A and B aggregates to meet a Class A requirement, ensure that at least 50% by weight, or volume if required, of all the aggregates used in the mixture design retained on the No. 4 sieve comes from the Class A aggregate source, unless otherwise shown on the plans. Blend by volume if the bulk specific gravities of the Class A and B aggregates differ by more than 0.300. Class B aggregate may be disallowed when shown on the plans.

The Engineer may perform tests at any time during production, when the Contractor blends Class A and B aggregates to meet a Class A requirement, to ensure that at least 50% by weight, or volume if required, of the material retained on the No. 4 sieve comes from the Class A aggregate source. The Engineer will use the Department's mix design template, when electing to verify conformance, to calculate the percent of Class A aggregate retained on the No. 4 sieve by inputting the bin percentages shown from readouts in the control room at the time of production and stockpile gradations measured at the time of production. The Engineer may determine the gradations based on either washed or dry sieve analysis from samples obtained from individual aggregate cold feed bins or aggregate stockpiles. The Engineer may perform spot checks using the gradations supplied by the Contractor on the mixture design report as an input for the template; however, a failing spot check will require confirmation with a stockpile gradation determined by the Engineer.

2.1.1.2. **Micro-Deval Abrasion.** The Engineer will perform a minimum of one Micro-Deval abrasion test in accordance with [Tex-461-A](#) for each coarse aggregate source used in the mixture design that has a Rated Source Soundness Magnesium (RSSM) loss value greater than 10 as listed in the BRSQC, unless otherwise directed. The Engineer will perform testing before the start of production and may perform additional testing at any time during production. The Engineer may obtain the coarse aggregate samples from each coarse aggregate source or may require the Contractor to obtain the samples. The Engineer may waive all Micro-Deval testing based on a satisfactory test history of the same aggregate source.

The Engineer will estimate the magnesium sulfate soundness loss for each coarse aggregate source, when tested, using the following formula:

$$Mg_{est.} = (RSSM)(MD_{act.}/RSMD)$$

where:

$Mg_{est.}$ = magnesium sulfate soundness loss

RSSM = Rated Source Soundness Magnesium

$MD_{act.}$ = actual Micro-Deval percent loss

RSMD = Rated Source Micro-Deval

When the estimated magnesium sulfate soundness loss is greater than the maximum magnesium sulfate soundness loss specified, the coarse aggregate source will not be allowed for use unless otherwise approved. The Engineer will consult the Soils and Aggregates Section of the Materials and Tests Division, and additional testing may be required before granting approval.

Table 1
Coarse Aggregate Quality Requirements

Property	Test Method	Requirement
SAC	Tex-499-A (AQMP)	As shown on the plans
Deleterious material, %, Max	Tex-217-F , Part I	1.0
Decantation, %, Max	Tex-217-F , Part II	1.5
Micro-Deval abrasion, %	Tex-461-A	Note ¹
Los Angeles abrasion, %, Max	Tex-410-A	30
Magnesium sulfate soundness, 5 cycles, %, Max	Tex-411-A	20
Crushed face count, ² %, Min	Tex-460-A , Part I	95
Flat and elongated particles @ 5:1, %, Max	Tex-280-F	10

1. Used to estimate the magnesium sulfate soundness loss in accordance with Section 3079.2.1.1.2., "Micro-Deval Abrasion."

2. Only applies to crushed gravel.

- 2.2. **Baghouse Fines.** Fines collected by the baghouse or other dust-collecting equipment may be reintroduced into the mixing drum.
- 2.3. **Asphalt Binder.** Furnish the type and grade of binder specified on the plans that meets the requirements of Item 300, "Asphalts, Oils, and Emulsions."
- 2.3.1. **Performance-Graded (PG) Binder.** Provide an asphalt binder with a high-temperature grade of PG 76 and low-temperature grade as shown on the plans in accordance with Section 300.2.10., "Performance-Graded Binders," when PG binder is specified.
- 2.3.2. **Asphalt-Rubber (A-R) Binder.** Provide A-R binder that meets the Type I or Type II requirements of Section 300.2.9., "Asphalt-Rubber Binders," when A-R is specified unless otherwise shown on the plans. Use at least 15.0% by weight of Crumb Rubber Modifier (CRM) that meets the Grade B or Grade C requirements of Section 300.2.7., "Crumb Rubber Modifier," unless otherwise shown on the plans. Provide the Engineer the A-R binder blend design with the mix design (JMF1) submittal. Provide the Engineer with documentation such as the bill of lading showing the quantity of CRM used in the project unless otherwise directed.
- 2.4. **Tack Coat.** Furnish CSS-1H, SS-1H, EBL, or a PG binder with a minimum high-temperature grade of PG 58 for tack coat binder in accordance with Item 300, "Asphalts, Oils, and Emulsions." Specialized tack coat materials listed on the Department's Tracking Resistant Asphalt Interlayer (TRAIL) MPL may be allowed or required when shown on the plans. Do not dilute emulsified asphalts at the terminal, in the field, or at any other location before use.
- 2.5. **Additives.** Provide the Engineer with documentation such as the bill of lading showing the quantity of additives used in the project unless otherwise directed.
- 2.5.1. **Fibers.** Provide cellulose or mineral fibers when PG binder is specified. Do not use fibers when A-R binder is specified. Submit written certification to the Engineer that the fibers proposed for use meet the requirements of DMS-9204, "Fiber Additives for Bituminous Mixtures." Fibers may be pre-blended into the binder at the asphalt supply terminal unless otherwise shown on the plans.
- 2.5.2. **Lime Mineral Filler.** Add lime as mineral filler at a rate of 1.0% by weight of the total dry aggregate in accordance with Item 301, "Asphalt Antistripping Agents," unless otherwise shown on the plans or waived by the Engineer based on Hamburg Wheel test results. Do not add lime directly into the mixing drum of any plant where lime is removed through the exhaust stream unless the plant has a baghouse or dust collection system that reintroduces the lime into the drum.
- 2.5.3. **Lime and Liquid Antistripping Agent.** When lime or a liquid antistripping agent is used, add in accordance with Item 301, "Asphalt Antistripping Agents." Do not add lime directly into the mixing drum of any plant where lime is removed through the exhaust stream unless the plant has a baghouse or dust collection system that reintroduces the lime into the drum. When the plans require lime to be added as an antistripping agent, lime added as mineral filler will count towards the total quantity of lime specified.
- 2.5.4. **Compaction Aid.** Compaction aid is defined as a Department-approved chemical warm mix additive denoted as "chemical additive" on the Department's materials producer list (MPL) that is used to facilitate mixing and compaction of HMA.
- Compaction aid is allowed for use on all projects. Compaction aid is required when shown on the plans or as required in Section 3079.4.7.1., "Weather Conditions."
- Warm mix foaming processes, denoted as "foaming process" on the Department-approved MPL, may be used to facilitate mixing and compaction of HMA; however warm mix foaming processes are not defined as a Compaction aid.
- 2.6. **Recycled Materials.** Recycled materials are not allowed for use.

3. EQUIPMENT

Provide required or necessary equipment in accordance with Item 320, "Equipment for Asphalt Concrete Pavement." When A-R binder is specified, equip the hot-mix plant with an in-line viscosity-measuring device located between the blending unit and the mixing drum. Provide a means to calibrate the asphalt mass flow meter on-site when a meter is used.

4. CONSTRUCTION

Produce, haul, place, and compact the specified paving mixture. In addition to tests required by the specification, Contractors may perform other QC tests as deemed necessary. At any time during the project, the Engineer may perform production and placement tests as deemed necessary in accordance with Item 5, "Control of the Work." Schedule and participate in a mandatory pre-paving meeting with the Engineer on or before the first day of paving unless otherwise shown on the plans.

- 4.1. **Certification.** Personnel certified by the Department-approved hot-mix asphalt certification program must conduct all mixture designs, sampling, and testing in accordance with Table 2. Supply the Engineer with a list of certified personnel and copies of their current certificates before beginning production and when personnel changes are made. Provide a mixture design developed and signed by a Level 2 certified specialist. Provide Level 1A certified specialists at the plant during production operations. Provide Level 1B certified specialists to conduct placement tests. Provide Level AGG101 certified specialists for aggregate testing.

Table 2
Test Methods, Test Responsibility, and Minimum Certification Levels

Test Description	Test Method	Contractor	Engineer	Level ¹
1. Aggregate Testing				
Sampling	Tex-221-F	✓	✓	1A/AGG101
Dry sieve	Tex-200-F, Part I	✓	✓	1A/AGG101
Washed sieve	Tex-200-F, Part II	✓	✓	1A/AGG101
Deleterious material	Tex-217-F, Parts I & III	✓	✓	AGG101
Decantation	Tex-217-F, Part II	✓	✓	AGG101
Los Angeles abrasion	Tex-410-A		✓	Department
Magnesium sulfate soundness	Tex-411-A		✓	Department
Micro-Deval abrasion	Tex-461-A		✓	AGG101
Crushed face count	Tex-460-A	✓	✓	AGG101
Flat and elongated particles	Tex-280-F	✓	✓	AGG101
2. Asphalt Binder & Tack Coat Sampling				
Asphalt binder sampling	Tex-500-C, Part II	✓	✓	1A/1B
Tack coat sampling	Tex-500-C, Part III	✓	✓	1A/1B
3. Mix Design & Verification				
Design and JMF changes	Tex-204-F	✓	✓	2
Mixing	Tex-205-F	✓	✓	2
Molding (SGC)	Tex-241-F	✓	✓	1A
Laboratory-molded density	Tex-207-F, Parts I, VI, & VIII	✓	✓	1A
Rice gravity	Tex-227-F, Part II	✓	✓	1A
Ignition oven correction factors ²	Tex-236-F, Part II	✓	✓	2
Drain-down	Tex-235-F	✓	✓	1A
Hamburg Wheel test	Tex-242-F	✓	✓	1A
Boil test ⁴	Tex-530-C	✓	✓	1A
Cantabro loss	Tex-245-F	✓	✓	1A
4. Production Testing				
Control charts	Tex-233-F	✓	✓	1A
Mixture sampling	Tex-222-F	✓	✓	1A/1B
Gradation & asphalt binder content ²	Tex-236-F, Part I	✓	✓	1A
Moisture content	Tex-212-F, Part II	✓	✓	1A/AGG101
Micro-Deval abrasion	Tex-461-A		✓	AGG101
Drain-down	Tex-235-F	✓	✓	1A
Boil test ⁴	Tex-530-C	✓	✓	1A
Abson recovery	Tex-211-F		✓	Department
5. Placement Testing				
Control charts	Tex-233-F	✓	✓	1A
Ride quality measurement	Tex-1001-S	✓	✓	Note 3
Thermal profile	Tex-244-F	✓	✓	1B
Water flow test	Tex-246-F	✓	✓	1B
Shear bond strength test	Tex-249-F		✓	Department

- Level 1A, 1B, AGG101, and 2 are certification levels provided by the Hot Mix Asphalt Center certification program.
- Refer to Section 3079.4.9.2.3., "Production Testing," for exceptions to using an ignition oven.
- Profiler and operator are required to be certified at the Texas A&M Transportation Institute facility when Surface Test Type B is specified.
- When shown on the plans.

- 4.2. **Reporting and Responsibilities.** Use Department-provided templates to record and calculate all test data, including mixture design, production and placement tests, control charts, and thermal profiles. Obtain the current version of the templates at <https://www.txdot.gov/inside-txdot/forms-publications/consultants-contractors/forms/site-manager.html> or from the Engineer. The Engineer and the Contractor will provide any available test results to the other party when requested. The maximum allowable time for the Contractor and Engineer to exchange test data is given in Table 3. The Engineer and the Contractor will immediately report to the other party any test result that requires suspension of production or placement or that fails to meet the specification requirements. Record and electronically submit all test results and pertinent information on Department-provided templates.

Subsequent sublots placed after test results are available to the Contractor, which require suspension of operations, may be considered unauthorized work. Unauthorized work will be accepted or rejected at the discretion of the Engineer in accordance with Article 5.3., "Conformity with Plans, Specifications, and Special Provisions."

Table 3
Reporting Schedule

Description	Reported By	Reported To	To Be Reported Within
Production Quality Control			
Gradation ¹	Contractor	Engineer	1 working day of completion of the subplot
Asphalt binder content ¹			
Laboratory-molded density ¹			
Moisture content ²			
Drain-down ¹			
Boil test ⁴			
Production Quality Assurance			
Gradation ²	Engineer	Contractor	1 working day of completion of the subplot
Asphalt binder content ²			
Laboratory-molded density ²			
Hamburg Wheel test ³			
Boil test ⁴			
Drain-down ²			
Binder tests ³			
Placement Quality Control			
Thermal profile ¹	Contractor	Engineer	1 working day of completion of the lot
Water flow ¹			
Placement Quality Assurance			
Thermal profile ²	Engineer	Contractor	1 working day of completion of the lot
Aging ratio ³			
Water flow ²			

1. These tests are required on every subplot.
2. To be performed at the frequency in accordance with Table 9 or as shown on the plans.
3. To be reported as soon as the results become available.
4. When shown on the plans

Use the procedures described in [Tex-233-F](#) to plot the results of all production and placement testing, when directed. Update the control charts as soon as test results for each subplot become available. Make the control charts readily accessible at the field laboratory. The Engineer may suspend production for failure to update control charts.

- 4.3. **Quality Control Plan (QCP).** Develop and follow the QCP in detail. Obtain approval for changes to the QCP made during the project. The Engineer may suspend operations if the Contractor fails to comply with the QCP.

Submit a written QCP before the mandatory pre-paving meeting when directed. Receive approval of the QCP before pre-paving meeting. Include the following items in the QCP:

- 4.3.1. **Project Personnel.** For project personnel, include:
- a list of individuals responsible for QC with authority to take corrective action;
 - current contact information for each individual listed; and

- current copies of certification documents for individuals performing specified QC functions.

4.3.2. **Material Delivery and Storage.** For material delivery and storage, include:

- the sequence of material processing, delivery, and minimum quantities to assure continuous plant operations;
- aggregate stockpiling procedures to avoid contamination and segregation;
- frequency, type, and timing of aggregate stockpile testing to assure conformance of material requirements before mixture production; and
- procedure for monitoring the quality and variability of asphalt binder.

4.3.3. **Production.** For production, include:

- loader operation procedures to avoid contamination in cold bins;
- procedures for calibrating and controlling cold feeds;
- procedures to eliminate debris or oversized material;
- procedures for adding and verifying rates of each applicable mixture component (e.g., aggregate, asphalt binder, lime, liquid antistriper, compaction aid, foaming process, fibers);
- procedures for reporting job control test results; and
- procedures to avoid segregation and drain-down in the silo.

4.3.4. **Loading and Transporting.** For loading and transporting, include:

- type and application method for release agents; and
- truck loading procedures to avoid segregation.

4.3.5. **Placement and Compaction.** For placement and compaction, include:

- proposed agenda for mandatory pre-paving meeting, including date and location;
- proposed paving plan (e.g., production rate, paving widths, joint offsets, and lift thicknesses);
- type and application method for release agents in the paver and on rollers, shovels, lutes, and other utensils;
- procedures for the transfer of mixture into the paver, while avoiding physical and thermal segregation and preventing material spillage;
- process to balance production, delivery, paving, and compaction to achieve continuous placement operations and good ride quality;
- paver operations (e.g., speed, operation of wings, height of mixture in auger chamber) to avoid physical and thermal segregation and other surface irregularities; and
- procedures to construct quality longitudinal and transverse joints.

4.4. **Mixture Design.**

4.4.1. **Design Requirements.** Use the PFC design procedure provided in [Tex-204-E](#), unless otherwise shown on the plans. Design the mixture to meet the requirements in accordance with Tables 1, 4, 5, and 6. Use a Superpave Gyrotory Compactor (SGC) at 50 gyrations as the design number of gyrations (Ndesign).

The Engineer will provide the mixture design when shown on the plans. The Contractor may submit a new mixture design at any time during the project. The Engineer will verify and approve all mixture designs (JMF1) before the Contractor can begin production.

Provide the Engineer with a mixture design report using the Department-provided template. Include the following items in the report:

- the combined aggregate gradation, source, specific gravity, and percent of each material used;
- results of all applicable tests;
- the mixing and molding temperatures;
- the signature of the Level 2 person or persons that performed the design;

- the date the mixture design was performed; and
- a unique identification number for the mixture design.

Table 4
Master Gradation Limits (% Passing by Weight or Volume)

Sieve Size	PG 76 Mixtures		A-R Mixtures		Test Procedure
	Fine (PFC-F)	Coarse (PFC-C)	Fine (PFCR-F)	Coarse (PFCR-C)	
3/4"	–	100.0 ¹	100.0 ¹	100.0 ¹	Tex-200-F
1/2"	100.0 ¹	80.0–100.0	95.0–100.0	80.0–100.0	
3/8"	95.0–100.0	35.0–60.0	50.0–80.0	35.0–60.0	
#4	20.0–55.0	1.0–20.0	0.0–8.0	0.0–20.0	
#8	1.0–10.0	1.0–10.0	0.0–4.0	0.0–10.0	
#200	1.0–4.0	1.0–4.0	0.0–4.0	0.0–4.0	

1. Defined as maximum sieve size. No tolerance allowed.

Table 5
Mixture Design Properties

Mix Property	PG 76 Mixtures		A-R Mixtures		Test Procedure
	Fine (PFC-F) Requirements	Coarse (PFC-C) Requirements	Fine (PFCR-F) Requirements	Coarse (PFCR-C) Requirements	
Design gyrations (N _{design})	50	50	50	50	Tex-241-F
Lab-molded density, %	78.0 Max	82.0 Max	82.0 Max	82.0 Max	Tex-207-F
Asphalt Binder Content, %	6.0–7.0	6.0–7.0	8.0–10.0	7.0–9.0	--
Hamburg Wheel test, ¹ passes at 12.5 mm rut depth	10,000 Min ²	Note 3	Note 3	Note 3	Tex-242-F
Drain-down, %	0.10 Max	0.10 Max	0.10 Max	0.10 Max	Tex-235-F
Fiber content, % by wt. of total PG 76 mixture	0.20–0.50	0.20–0.50	–	–	Calculated
Lime content, % by wt. of total aggregate	1.0 ⁴	1.0 ⁴	–	–	Calculated
CRM content, % by wt. of A-R binder	–	–	15.0 Min	15.0 Min	Calculated
Boil test ⁵	–	–	–	–	Tex-530-C
Cantabro loss, %	20.0 Max	20.0 Max	20.0 Max	20.0 Max	Tex-245-F

1. Mold test specimens to N_{design} at the optimum asphalt binder content.
2. May be decreased when shown on the plans.
3. No specification value is required unless otherwise shown on the plans.
4. Unless otherwise shown on the plans or waived by the Engineer based on Hamburg Wheel results.
5. When shown on the plans. Used to establish baseline for comparison to production results.

4.4.2. **Job-Mix Formula Approval.** The job-mix formula (JMF) is the combined aggregate gradation, N_{design} level, and target asphalt percentage used to establish target values for hot-mix production. JMF1 is the original laboratory mixture design used to produce the trial batch. When a compaction aid or foaming process is used, JMF1 may be designed and submitted to the Engineer without including the compaction aid or foaming process. When a compaction aid or foaming process is used, document the compaction aid or foaming process used and recommended rate on the JMF1 submittal. The Engineer and the Contractor will verify JMF1 based on plant-produced mixture from the trial batch unless otherwise approved. The Engineer may accept an existing mixture design previously used on a Department project and may waive the trial batch to verify JMF1. The Department may require the Contractor to reimburse the Department for verification tests if more than two trial batches per design are required.

4.4.2.1. **Contractor's Responsibilities.**

- 4.4.2.1.1. **Providing Gyrotory Compactor.** Furnish an SGC calibrated in accordance with [Tex-241-F](#) for molding production samples. Locate the SGC at the Engineer's field laboratory or make the SGC available to the Engineer for use in molding production samples.
- 4.4.2.1.2. **Gyrotory Compactor Correlation Factors.** Use [Tex-206-F](#), Part II, to perform a gyrotory compactor correlation when the Engineer uses a different SGC. Apply the correlation factor to all subsequent production test results.
- 4.4.2.1.3. **Submitting JMF1.** Furnish a mix design report (JMF1) with representative samples of all component materials and request approval to produce the trial batch. Provide an additional 25 lb. of the design mixture if opting to have the Department perform the Hamburg Wheel test on the laboratory mixture when required in accordance with Table 5, and request that the Department perform the test.
- 4.4.2.1.4. **Supplying Aggregates.** Provide approximately 40 lb. of each aggregate stockpile unless otherwise directed.
- 4.4.2.1.5. **Supplying Asphalt.** Provide at least 1 gal. of the asphalt material and enough quantities of any additives proposed for use.
- 4.4.2.1.6. **Ignition Oven Correction Factors.** Determine the aggregate and asphalt correction factors from the ignition oven in accordance with [Tex-236-F](#), Part II. Provide correction factors that are not more than 12 mo. old. Note that the asphalt content correction factor takes into account the percent fibers in the mixture so that the fibers are excluded from the binder content determination. Provide the Engineer with split samples of the mixtures before the trial batch production, including all additives (except water), and blank samples used to determine the correction factors for the ignition oven used for quality assurance (QA) testing during production. Correction factors established from a previously approved mixture design may be used for the current mixture design if the mixture design and ignition oven are the same as previously used and the correction factors are not more than 12 mo. old, unless otherwise directed.
- 4.4.2.1.7. **Boil Test.** When shown on the plans, perform the test and retain the tested sample from [Tex-530-C](#) until completion of the project or as directed. Use this sample for comparison purposes during production. Add lime or liquid antistripping agent, as directed, if signs of stripping exist.
- 4.4.2.1.8. **Trial Batch Production.** Provide a plant-produced trial batch upon receiving conditional approval of JMF1 and authorization to produce a trial batch including the compaction aid or foaming process, if applicable, for verification testing of JMF1 and development of JMF2. Produce a trial batch mixture that meets the requirements in accordance with Table 6. The Engineer may accept test results from recent production of the same mixture instead of a new trial batch.
- 4.4.2.1.9. **Trial Batch Production Equipment.** Use only equipment and materials proposed for use on the project to produce the trial batch. Provide documentation to verify the calibration or accuracy of the asphalt mass flow meter to measure the binder content. Verify that asphalt mass flow meter meets the requirements of 0.4% accuracy, when required, in accordance with Item 520, "Weighing and Measuring Equipment." The Engineer may require that the accuracy of the mass flow meter be verified based on quantities used.
- 4.4.2.1.10. **Trial Batch Quantity.** Produce enough quantity of the trial batch to ensure that the mixture meets the specification requirements.
- 4.4.2.1.11. **Number of Trial Batches.** Produce trial batches as necessary to obtain a mixture that meets the specification requirements.
- 4.4.2.1.12. **Trial Batch Sampling.** Obtain a representative sample of the trial batch and split it into three equal portions in accordance with [Tex-222-F](#). Label these portions as "Contractor," "Engineer," and "Referee." Deliver samples to the appropriate laboratory as directed.
- 4.4.2.1.13. **Trial Batch Testing.** Test the trial batch to ensure the mixture produced using the proposed JMF1 meets the mixture requirements in accordance with Table 6. Ensure the trial batch mixture is also in compliance with the requirements in accordance with Table 5. Use a Department-approved laboratory listed on the MPL to perform

the Hamburg Wheel test on the trial batch mixture or request that the Department perform the Hamburg Wheel test. Provide an additional 25 lb. of the trial batch mixture if opting to have the Department perform the Hamburg Wheel test, if applicable, and request that the Department perform the test. The Engineer will be allowed 10 working days to provide the Contractor with Hamburg Wheel test results on the trial batch. Provide the Engineer with a copy of the trial batch test results.

- 4.4.2.1.14. **Development of JMF2.** Evaluate the trial batch test results, determine the target mixture proportions, and submit as JMF2 after the Engineer grants full approval of JMF1 based on results from the trial batch. The mixture produced using JMF2 must meet the requirements in accordance with Tables 4 and 5. Verify that JMF2 meets the operational tolerances in accordance with Table 6.
- 4.4.2.1.15. **Mixture Production.** Use JMF2 to produce Lot 1 after receiving approval for JMF2.
- 4.4.2.1.16. **Development of JMF3.** Evaluate the test results from Lot 1, determine the optimum mixture proportions, and submit as JMF3 for use in Lot 2.
- 4.4.2.1.17. **JMF Adjustments.** If JMF adjustments are necessary to achieve the specified requirements, make the adjustments before beginning a new lot. The adjusted JMF must:
- be provided to the Engineer in writing before the start of a new lot;
 - be numbered in sequence to the previous JMF;
 - meet the master gradation limits in accordance with Table 4; and
 - be within the operational tolerances of JMF2 in accordance with Table 6.
- 4.4.2.1.18. **Requesting Referee Testing.** Use referee testing, if needed, in accordance with Section 3079.4.9.1., "Referee Testing," to resolve testing differences with the Engineer.

Table 6
Operational Tolerances

Test Description	Test Method	Allowable Difference between JMF2 and JMF1 Target ¹	Allowable Difference from Current JMF and JMF2 ²	Allowable Difference between Contractor and Engineer ³
Individual % retained for sieve sized larger than #200	Tex-200-F	Must be Within Master Grading Limits in accordance with Table 4	±3.0 ⁴	±5.0 ⁴
% passing the #200 sieve				±2.0 ⁴
Laboratory-molded density, %	Tex-207-F , Part VIII	±1.0	±1.0	±1.0
Asphalt binder content, %	Tex-236-F , Part I ⁵	±0.3 ^{6,7}	±0.3 ^{4,6,7}	±0.3 ^{6,7}
Drain-down, %	Tex-235-F	Note 8	Note 8	N/A
Boil test	Tex-530-C	Note 9	Note 9	N/A

1. JMF1 is the approved laboratory mixture design used for producing the trial batch. JMF2 is the approved mixture design developed from the trial batch used to produce Lot 1.
2. Current JMF is JMF3 or higher. JMF3 is the approved mixture design used to produce Lot 2.
3. Contractor may request referee testing only when values exceed these tolerances.
4. Only applies to mixture produced for Lot 1 and higher. Aggregate gradation is not allowed to be outside the limits shown in Table 4.
5. Ensure the binder content determination excludes fibers.
6. May be obtained from asphalt mass flow meter readouts as determined by the Engineer.
7. Binder content is not allowed to be outside the limits in accordance with Table 5.
8. Verify that Table 5 requirements are met.
9. When shown on the plans.

4.4.2.2. **Engineer's Responsibilities.**

- 4.4.2.2.1. **Superpave Gyrotory Compactor.** The Engineer will use a Department SGC calibrated in accordance with [Tex-241-F](#) to mold samples for laboratory mixture design verification. For molding trial batch and production specimens, the Engineer will use the Contractor-provided SGC at the

field laboratory or provide and use a Department SGC at an alternate location.

4.4.2.2.2. **Conditional Approval of JMF1 and Authorizing Trial Batch.** The Engineer will review and verify conformance of the following information within two working days of receipt:

- the Contractor's mix design report (JMF1);
- the Contractor-provided Hamburg Wheel test results;
- all required materials including aggregates, asphalt, and additives; and
- the mixture specifications.

The Engineer will grant the Contractor conditional approval of JMF1 if the information provided on the paper copy of JMF1 indicates that the Contractor's mixture design meets the specifications. When the Contractor does not provide Hamburg Wheel test with laboratory mixture design, 10 working days are allowed for conditional approval of JMF1. The Engineer will base full approval of JMF1 on the test results on mixture from the trial batch.

Unless waived, the Engineer will determine the Micro-Deval abrasion loss in accordance with Section 3079.2.1.1.2., "Micro-Deval Abrasion." If the Engineer's test results are pending after two working days, conditional approval of JMF1 will still be granted within two working days of receiving JMF1. When the Engineer's test results become available, they will be used for specification compliance.

The Contractor is authorized to produce a trial batch after the Engineer grants conditional approval of JMF1.

4.4.2.2.3. **Hamburg Wheel Testing.** At the Contractor's request, the Department will perform the Hamburg Wheel test on the laboratory mixture in accordance with [Tex-242-F](#) to verify compliance with the Hamburg Wheel test requirement in accordance with Table 5. The Engineer will be allowed 10 working days to provide the Contractor with Hamburg Wheel test results on the laboratory mixture design.

4.4.2.2.4. **Ignition Oven Correction Factors.** The Engineer will use the split samples provided by the Contractor to determine the aggregate and asphalt correction factors for the ignition oven used for QA testing during production in accordance with [Tex-236-F](#), Part II. Provide correction factors that are not more than 12 mo. old. The Engineer will verify that the asphalt content correction factor takes into account the percent fibers in the mixture so that the fibers are excluded from the binder content determination.

4.4.2.2.5. **Testing the Trial Batch.** Within one full working day, the Engineer will sample and test the trial batch to ensure that the mixture meets the requirements in accordance with Table 6. If the Contractor requests the option to have the Department perform the Hamburg Wheel test on the trial batch mixture, the Engineer will mold samples in accordance with [Tex-242-F](#) to verify compliance with the Hamburg Wheel test requirement in accordance with Table 5.

The Engineer will have the option to perform [Tex-530-C](#) on the trial batch when shown on the plans. These results may be retained and used for comparison purposes during production.

4.4.2.2.6. **Full Approval of JMF1.** The Engineer will grant full approval of JMF1 and authorize the Contractor to proceed with developing JMF2 if the Engineer's results for the trial batch meet the requirements in accordance with Table 5.

The Engineer will notify the Contractor that an additional trial batch is required if the trial batch does not meet these requirements.

4.4.2.2.7. **Approval of JMF2.** The Engineer will approve JMF2 within one working day if the mixture meets the requirements in accordance with Tables 4, 5, and 6.

- 4.4.2.2.8. **Approval of Lot 1 Production.** The Engineer will authorize the Contractor to proceed with Lot 1 production (using JMF2).
- 4.4.2.2.9. **Approval of JMF3 and Subsequent JMF Changes.** JMF3 and subsequent JMF changes are approved if they meet the master grading limits in accordance with Table 4, the asphalt binder content in accordance with Table 5, and are within the operational tolerances of JMF2 in accordance with Table 6.
- 4.4.2.2.10. **Binder Content Adjustments.** For JMF2 and above, the Engineer may require the Contractor to adjust the target binder content by no more than 0.3% from the current JMF.
- 4.5. **Production Operations.** Perform a new trial batch when the plant or plant location is changed. Take corrective action and receive approval to proceed after any production suspension for noncompliance to the specification.
- 4.5.1. **Storage and Heating of Materials.** Do not heat the asphalt binder above the temperatures specified in Item 300, "Asphalts, Oils, and Emulsions," or outside the manufacturer's recommended values. Provide the Engineer with daily records of asphalt binder and hot-mix asphalt discharge temperatures (in legible and discernible increments) in accordance with Item 320, "Equipment for Asphalt Concrete Pavement," unless otherwise directed. Do not store mixture for a period long enough to affect the quality of the mixture, nor in any case longer than 12 hr. unless otherwise approved.
- 4.5.2. **Mixing and Discharge of Materials.** Notify the Engineer of the target discharge temperature and produce the mixture within 25°F of the target. Monitor the temperature of the material in the truck before shipping to ensure that it does not exceed the maximum production temperatures in accordance with Table 7. The Department will not pay for or allow placement of any mixture produced above the maximum production temperatures in accordance with Table 7.

Table 7
Maximum Production Temperature

High-Temperature Binder Grade ¹	Maximum Production Temperature
PG 76	345°F
A-R Binder	345°F

1. The high-temperature binder grade refers to the high-temperature grade of the virgin asphalt binder used to produce the mixture.

Control the mixing time and temperature so that substantially all moisture is removed from the mixture before discharging from the plant. Determine the moisture content, if requested, by oven-drying in accordance with [Tex-212-F](#), Part II, and verify that the mixture contains no more than 0.2% of moisture by weight. Obtain the sample immediately after discharging the mixture into the truck and perform the test promptly.

- 4.6. **Hauling Operations.** Clean all truck beds before use to ensure that mixture is not contaminated. Use a release agent, when necessary, shown on the Department's MPL to coat the inside bed of the truck. Do not use diesel or any release agent not shown on the Department's MPL.

Use equipment for hauling as defined in Section 3079.4.7.3.3., "Hauling Equipment." Use other hauling equipment only when allowed.

- 4.7. **Placement Operations.** Collect haul tickets from each load of mixture delivered to the project and provide the Department's copy to the Engineer approximately every hour or as directed. Use a hand-held thermal camera or infrared thermometer, when a thermal imaging system is not used, to measure and record the internal temperature of the mixture as discharged from the truck or Material Transfer Device (MTD) before or as the mix enters the paver and an approximate station number or GPS coordinates on each ticket. Calculate the daily yield and cumulative yield for the specified lift and provide to the Engineer at the end of paving operations for each day unless otherwise directed. The Engineer may suspend production if the Contractor fails to produce and provide haul tickets and yield calculations by the end of paving operations for each day.

Prepare the surface by removing raised pavement markers and objectionable material such as moisture, dirt, sand, leaves, and other loose impediments from the surface before placing mixture. Remove vegetation from

pavement edges. Place the mixture to meet the typical section requirements and produce a smooth, finished surface with a uniform appearance and texture. Offset longitudinal joints of successive courses of hot-mix by at least 6 in. Place mixture so that longitudinal joints on the surface course coincide within 6-in. of lane lines and are not placed in the wheel path, or as directed. Ensure that all finished surfaces will drain properly.

4.7.1. **Weather Conditions.**

- 4.7.1.1. **When Using a Thermal Imaging System.** The Contractor may pave any time the roadway is dry and the roadway surface temperature is at least 60°F unless otherwise approved or as shown on the plans; however, the Engineer may restrict the Contractor from paving if the ambient temperature is likely to drop below 32°F within 12 hr. of paving. Place mixtures when weather conditions and moisture conditions of the roadway surface are suitable as determined by the Engineer. Provide output data from the thermal imaging system to demonstrate to the Engineer that no recurring severe thermal segregation exists in accordance with Section 3079.4.7.3.1.2., "Thermal Imaging System."

Produce mixture with a target discharge temperature higher than 300°F and with a compaction aid to facilitate compaction when the air temperature is 70°F and falling.

- 4.7.1.1.1. **When Not Using a Thermal Imaging System.** When using a thermal camera instead of the thermal imaging system, place mixture when the roadway surface temperature is at or above 70°F unless otherwise approved or as shown on the plans. Measure the roadway surface temperature with a hand-held thermal camera or infrared thermometer. Place mixtures only when weather conditions and moisture conditions of the roadway surface are suitable as determined by the Engineer. The Engineer may restrict the Contractor from paving if the air temperature is 60°F and falling.

Produce mixture with a target discharge temperature higher than 300°F and with a compaction aid to facilitate compaction when the air temperature is 70°F and falling.

4.7.2. **Tack Coat.**

- 4.7.2.1. **Application.** Clean the surface before placing the tack coat. The Engineer will set the rate between 0.04 and 0.10 gal. of residual asphalt per square yard of surface area. Apply a uniform tack coat at the specified rate unless otherwise directed. Apply the tack coat in a uniform manner to avoid streaks and other irregular patterns. Apply adequate overlap of the tack coat in the longitudinal direction during the placement of the mat to ensure bond of adjacent PFC mats, unless otherwise directed. Unless otherwise directed, avoid tacking the vertical faces of adjacent PFC mats in the longitudinal direction to avoid restricting lateral drainage. Apply tack coat to all transverse joints. Allow adequate time for emulsion to break completely before placing any material. Do not dilute emulsified asphalts at the terminal, in the field, or at any other location before use.

- 4.7.2.2. **Sampling.** The Engineer will obtain at least one sample of the tack coat binder per project in accordance with [Tex-500-C](#), Part III, and test it to verify compliance with Item 300, "Asphalts, Oils, and Emulsions." The Engineer will notify the Contractor when the sampling will occur and will witness the collection of the sample from the asphalt distributor immediately before use. Label the can with the corresponding lot and subplot numbers, producer, producer facility, grade, district, date sampled, and project information including highway and CSJ. For emulsions, the Engineer may test as often as necessary to ensure the residual of the emulsion is greater than or equal to the specification requirement in Item 300, "Asphalts, Oils, and Emulsions."

- 4.7.3. **Lay-Down Operations.** Use the placement temperature in accordance with Table 8 to establish the minimum placement temperature of the mixture delivered to the paving operation.

Table 8
Minimum Mixture Placement Temperature

High-Temperature Binder Grade ¹	Minimum Placement Temperature (Before Entering Paving Operation) ^{2,3}
PG 76	280°F
A-R Binder	280°F

1. The high-temperature binder grade refers to the high-temperature grade of the virgin asphalt binder used to produce the mixture.
2. The mixture temperature must be measured using a hand-held thermal camera or infrared thermometer nearest to the point of entry of the paving operation.
3. Minimum placement temperatures may be reduced 10°F if using a compaction aid.

4.7.3.1. **Thermal Profile.** Use a hand-held thermal camera or a thermal imaging system to obtain a continuous thermal profile in accordance with [Tex-244-F](#). Thermal profiles are not applicable in areas described in Section 3079.4.9.3.2., "Miscellaneous Areas."

4.7.3.1.1. **Thermal Segregation.**

4.7.3.1.1.1. **Moderate.** Any areas that have a temperature differential greater than 25°F, but not exceeding 50°F.

4.7.3.1.1.2. **Severe.** Any areas that have a temperature differential greater than 50°F.

4.7.3.1.2. **Thermal Imaging System.** Review the output results when a thermal imaging system is used, and provide the report described in [Tex-244-F](#) to the Engineer daily. Modify the paving process as necessary to eliminate any recurring (moderate or severe) thermal segregation identified by the thermal imaging system.-

The Engineer may suspend subsequent paving operations if the Contractor cannot successfully modify the paving process to eliminate recurring severe or moderate thermal segregation.

Provide the Engineer with electronic copies of all daily data files that can be used with the thermal imaging system software to generate temperature profile plots daily or as requested by the Engineer.

4.7.3.1.2.1. **Thermal Camera.** When using a thermal camera instead of the thermal imaging system, take immediate corrective action to eliminate recurring moderate thermal segregation when a hand-held thermal camera is used. Provide the Engineer with the thermal profile of every subplot within one working day of the completion of each lot. When requested by the Engineer, provide the electronic files generated using the thermal camera. Report the results of each thermal profile in accordance with Section 3079.4.2., "Reporting and Responsibilities." The Engineer will use a hand-held thermal camera to obtain a thermal profile at least once per project. Suspend operations and take immediate corrective action to eliminate severe thermal segregation unless otherwise directed. Resume operations when the Engineer determines that subsequent production will meet the requirements of this Section.

4.7.3.2. **Windrow Operations.** Operate windrow pickup equipment so that when hot-mix is placed in windrows, substantially all the mixture deposited on the roadbed is picked up and loaded into the paver.

4.7.3.3. **Hauling Equipment.** Use belly dumps, live bottom, or end dump trucks to haul and transfer mixture; however, with exception of paving miscellaneous areas, end dump trucks are only allowed when used in conjunction with an MTD with remixing capability or when a thermal imaging system is used unless otherwise allowed.

4.7.3.4. **Screed Heaters.** Turn off screed heaters to prevent overheating of the mat if the paver stops for more than 5 min. The Engineer may evaluate the suspect area in accordance with Section 3079.4.9.3.3., "Recovered Asphalt Dynamic Shear Rheometer (DSR)," if the screed heater remains on for more than 5 min. while the paver is stopped.

4.8. **Compaction.** Roll the freshly placed PFC with as many steel-wheeled rollers as necessary, operated in static mode, to seat the mixture without excessive breakage of the aggregate and to provide a smooth surface and uniform texture. Do not use pneumatic rollers. Moisten the roller drums thoroughly with a soap and water solution to prevent adhesion. Use only water or an approved release agent on rollers, tamps, and

other compaction equipment unless otherwise directed.

Use [Tex-246-F](#) to test and verify that the compacted mixture has adequate permeability. Measure the water flow once per subplot at locations directed by the Engineer. The water flow rate must be less than 20 sec. Investigate the cause of the water flow rate test failures and take corrective actions during production and placement to ensure the water flow rate is less than 20 sec. Suspend production if two consecutive water flow rate tests fail unless otherwise approved. Resume production after the Engineer approves changes to production or placement methods.

Complete all compaction operations before the pavement temperature drops below 180°F unless otherwise allowed. The Engineer may allow compaction with a light finish roller operated in static mode for pavement temperatures below 180°F.

Allow the compacted pavement to cool to 160°F or lower before opening to traffic unless otherwise directed. Sprinkle the finished mat with water or limewater, when directed, to expedite opening the roadway to traffic.

- 4.9. **Acceptance Plan.** Sample and test the hot-mix on a lot and subplot basis.
- 4.9.3. **Referee Testing.** The Materials and Tests Division is the referee laboratory. The Contractor may request referee testing if the differences between Contractor and Engineer test results exceed the operational tolerances in accordance with Table 6 and the differences cannot be resolved. The Contractor may also request referee testing if the Engineer's test results require suspension of production and the Contractor's test results are within specification limits. Make the request within five working days after receiving test results and cores from the Engineer. Referee tests will be performed only on the subplot in question and only for the particular tests in question. Allow 10 working days from the time the referee laboratory receives the samples for test results to be reported. The Department may require the Contractor to reimburse the Department for referee tests if more than three referee tests per project are required and the Engineer's test results are closer to the referee test results than the Contractor's test results.
- 4.9.4. **Production Acceptance.**
- 4.9.4.1. **Production Lot.** A production lot consists of four equal sublots. The default quantity for Lot 1 is 1,000 ton; however, when requested by the Contractor, the Engineer may increase the quantity for Lot 1 to no more than 2,000 ton. The Engineer will select subsequent lot sizes based on the anticipated daily production such that approximately three to four sublots are produced each day. The lot size will be between 1,000 ton and 4,000 ton. The Engineer may change the lot size before the Contractor begins any lot.
- 4.9.4.1.1. **Incomplete Production Lots.** If a lot is begun but cannot be completed, such as on the last day of production or in other circumstances deemed appropriate, the Engineer may close the lot. Close all lots within five working days unless otherwise allowed.
- 4.9.4.2. **Production Sampling.**
- 4.9.4.2.1. **Mixture Sampling.** Obtain hot-mix samples from trucks at the plant in accordance with [Tex-222-F](#). The sampler will split each sample into three equal portions in accordance with [Tex-200-F](#) and label these portions as "Contractor," "Engineer," and "Referee." The Engineer will perform or witness the sample splitting and take immediate possession of the samples labeled "Engineer" and "Referee." The Engineer will maintain the custody of the samples labeled "Engineer" and "Referee" until the Department's testing is completed.
- 4.9.4.2.1.1. **Random Sample.** At the beginning of the project, the Engineer will select random numbers for all production sublots. Determine sample locations in accordance with [Tex-225-F](#). Take one sample for each subplot at the randomly selected location. The Engineer will perform or witness the sampling of production sublots.
- 4.9.4.2.1.2. **Blind Sample.** For one subplot per lot, the Engineer will obtain and test a "blind" sample instead of the random sample collected by the Contractor. Test either the "blind" or the random sample; however, referee testing (if applicable) will be based on a comparison of results from the "blind" sample. The location of the Engineer's "blind" sample will not be disclosed to the Contractor. The Engineer's "blind" sample may be randomly selected in accordance with [Tex-225-F](#) for any subplot or selected at the discretion of the Engineer. The

Engineer will use the Contractor's split sample for sublots not sampled by the Engineer.

4.9.4.2.2. **Informational Shear Bond Strength Testing.** Select one random subplot from Lot 2 or higher for shear bond strength testing. Obtain full depth cores in accordance with [Tex-249-F](#). Label the cores with the Control Section Job (CSJ), producer of the tack coat, mix type, shot rate, lot, and subplot number and provide to the Engineer. The Engineer will ship the cores to the Materials and Tests Division or district laboratory for shear bond strength testing. Results from these tests will not be used for specification compliance.

4.9.4.2.3. **Informational Hamburg and Overlay Testing.** Select one random subplot from Lot 2 or higher for Hamburg and Overlay testing during the first week of production. Obtain and provide the Engineer with approximately 90 lb. of mixture, sampled in accordance with [Tex-222-F](#), in sealed containers, boxes, or bags labeled with the Control-Section-Job (CSJ), mixture type, lot, and subplot number. The Engineer will ship the mixture to the Materials and Tests Division for Hamburg and Overlay testing. Results from these tests will not be used for specification compliance.

4.9.4.2.4. **Asphalt Binder Sampling.** Obtain a 1 qt. (1 gal. for A-R binder) sample of the asphalt binder witness by the Engineer for each lot of mixture produced. The Contractor will notify the Engineer when the sampling will occur. Obtain the sample at approximately the same time the mixture random sample is obtained. Sample from a port located immediately upstream from the mixing drum or pug mill and upstream from the introduction of any additives in accordance with [Tex-500-C](#), Part II. Label the can with the corresponding lot and subplot numbers, producer, producer facility, grade, district, date sampled, and project information including highway and CSJ. The Engineer will retain these samples for one year. The Engineer may also obtain independent samples. If obtaining an independent asphalt binder sample and upon request of the Contractor, the Engineer will split a sample of the asphalt binder with the Contractor

At least once per project, the Engineer will collect split samples of each binder grade and source used. The Engineer will submit one split sample to the Materials and Tests Division to verify compliance with Item 300, "Asphalts, Oils, and Emulsions" and will retain the other split sample for one year.

4.9.4.3. **Production Testing.** The Contractor and Engineer must perform production tests in accordance with Table 9. The Contractor has the option to verify the Engineer's test results on split samples provided by the Engineer. Determine compliance with operational tolerances in accordance with Table 6 for all sublots.

At any time during production, the Engineer may require the Contractor to verify the following based on quantities used:

- lime content (within $\pm 0.1\%$ of JMF), when PG binder is specified;
- fiber content (within $\pm 0.03\%$ of JMF), when PG binder is specified; and
- CRM content (within $\pm 1.5\%$ of JMF), when A-R binder is specified.

Maintain the in-line measuring device when A-R binder is specified to verify the A-R binder viscosity between 2,500 and 4,000 centipoise at 350°F unless otherwise approved. Record A-R binder viscosity at least once per hour and provide the Engineer with a daily summary unless otherwise directed.

If the aggregate mineralogy is such that [Tex-236-F](#), Part I does not yield reliable results, the Engineer may allow alternate methods for determining the asphalt content and aggregate gradation. The Engineer will require the Contractor to provide evidence that results from [Tex-236-F](#), Part I are not reliable before permitting an alternate method unless otherwise allowed. Use the applicable test procedure as directed if an alternate test method is allowed.

Table 9
Production and Placement Testing Frequency

Description	Test Method	Minimum Contractor Testing Frequency	Minimum Engineer Testing Frequency
Individual % retained for sieve sized larger than #200	Tex-200-F	1 per subplot	1 per 12 sublots
% passing the #200 sieve			
Laboratory-molded density, %	Tex-207-F , Part VIII	1 per subplot	1 per lot
Asphalt binder content ¹ , %	Tex-236-F , Part I ²	1 per subplot	1 per lot
Drain-down, %	Tex-235-F	1 per subplot	1 per 12 sublots
Boil test ³	Tex-530-C	1 per project	1 per project
Moisture content	Tex-212-F , Part II	When directed	1 per project
Cantabro loss, %	Tex-245-F	1 per project (sample only)	1 per project
Overlay test	Tex-248-F	1 per project (sample only)	1 per project ^{4,9}
Hamburg Wheel test	Tex-242-F	1 per project (sample only)	1 per project ^{4,9}
Water flow test	Tex-246-F	1 per subplot	1 per project
Asphalt binder sampling	Tex-500-C , Part II	1 per lot (sample only) ⁵	1 per project
Tack coat sampling and testing	Tex-500-C , Part III	N/A	1 per project
Thermal profile	Tex-244-F	1 per subplot, ^{6,7,8}	1 per project ⁷

1. May be obtained from t mass flow meter readouts as determined by the Engineer.
2. Ensure the binder content determination excludes fibers.
3. When shown on the plans.
4. Testing performed by the Materials and Tests Division on sample obtained from Lot 2 or higher.
5. Obtain samples witness by the Engineer. The Engineer will retain these samples for one year.
6. To be performed in the presence of the Engineer when using the thermal camera, unless otherwise approved.
7. Not required when a thermal imaging system is used.
8. When using the thermal imaging system, the test report must include the temperature measurements taken in accordance with Tex-244-F.
9. Testing performed by the Materials and Tests Division for informational purposes only.

4.9.4.4. **Operational Tolerances.** Control the production process within the operational tolerances in accordance with Table 6. Suspend production and placement operations when production or placement test results exceed the tolerances in accordance with Table 6 unless otherwise allowed. When production is suspended, the Engineer will allow production to resume when test results or other information indicates the next mixture produced will be within the operational tolerances.

4.9.4.5. **Individual Loads of Hot-Mix.** The Engineer can reject individual truckloads of hot-mix. When a load of hot-mix is rejected for reasons other than temperature, contamination, or excessive uncoated particles, the Contractor may request that the rejected load be tested. Make this request within 4 hr. of rejection. The Engineer will sample and test the mixture. If test results are within the operational tolerances in accordance with Table 6, payment will be made for the load. If test results are not within operational tolerances, no payment will be made for the load.

4.9.5. **Placement Acceptance.**

4.9.5.1. **Placement Lot.** A placement lot consists of four placement sublots. A placement subplot consists of the area placed during a production subplot.

4.9.5.2. **Miscellaneous Areas.** Miscellaneous areas include areas that typically involve significant handwork or discontinuous paving operations such as driveways, mailbox turnouts, crossovers, gores, spot level-up

areas, and other similar areas. The specified layer thickness is based on the rate of 90 lb. per square yard for each inch of pavement unless another rate is shown on the plans. Miscellaneous areas are not subject to thermal profiles testing.

4.9.5.3. **Recovered Asphalt Dynamic Shear Rheometer (DSR).** The Engineer may take production samples or cores from suspect areas of the project to determine recovered asphalt properties. Asphalt binders with an aging ratio greater than 3.5 do not meet the requirements for recovered asphalt properties and may be deemed defective when tested and evaluated by the Materials and Tests Division. The aging ratio is the DSR value of the extracted binder divided by the DSR value of the original unaged binder. Obtain DSR values in accordance with AASHTO T 315 at the specified high temperature performance grade of the asphalt. The Engineer may require removal and replacement of the defective material at the Contractor's expense. The asphalt binder will be recovered for testing from production samples or cores in accordance with [Tex-211-F](#).

4.9.5.4. **Irregularities.** Identify and correct irregularities, including segregation, rutting, raveling, flushing, fat spots, mat slippage, irregular color, irregular texture, roller marks, tears, gouges, streaks, uncoated aggregate particles, or broken aggregate particles. The Engineer may also identify irregularities, and in such cases, the Engineer will promptly notify the Contractor. If the Engineer determines that the irregularity will adversely affect pavement performance, the Engineer may require the Contractor to remove and replace (at the Contractor's expense) areas of the pavement that contain irregularities. The Engineer may also require the Contractor to remove and replace (at the Contractor's expense) areas where the mixture does not bond to the existing pavement.

If irregularities are detected, the Engineer may require the Contractor to immediately suspend operations or may allow the Contractor to continue operations for no more than one day while the Contractor is taking appropriate corrective action.

4.9.6. **Exempt Production.** When the anticipated daily production is less than 100 ton, all QC and QA sampling and testing are waived. The Engineer may deem the mixture as exempt production for the following conditions:

- anticipated daily production is more than 100 ton but less than 250 ton;
- total production for the project is less than 2,500 ton;
- when mutually agreed between the Engineer and the Contractor; or
- when shown on the plans.

For exempt production, the Contractor is relieved of all production and placement sampling and testing requirements. All other specification requirements apply, and the Engineer will perform acceptance tests for production and placement in accordance with Table 9.

For exempt production:

- produce, haul, place, and compact the mixture as directed by the Engineer; and
- control mixture production to yield a laboratory-molded density that is within $\pm 1.0\%$ of the target density as tested by the Engineer.

4.9.7. **Ride Quality.** Measure ride quality in accordance with Item 585, "Ride Quality for Pavement Surfaces," unless otherwise shown on the plans.

5. MEASUREMENT

5.1. **PFC Hot-Mix Asphalt.** Permeable friction course (PFC) hot-mix will be measured by the ton of composite mixture which includes asphalt, aggregate, and additives. Measure the weight on scales in accordance with Item 520, "Weighing and Measuring Equipment."

5.2. **Tack Coat.** Tack coat will be measured at the applied temperature by strapping the tank before and after road application and determining the net volume in gallons from the calibrated distributor. The Engineer will witness all strapping operations for volume determination. All tack, including emulsions, will be measured by the gallon applied.

The Engineer may allow the use of a metering device to determine asphalt volume used and application rate if the device is accurate to within 1.5% of the strapped volume.

6. PAYMENT

The work performed and materials furnished in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under Section 3079.5.1., "PFC Hot-Mix Asphalt," will be paid for at the unit bid price for "Permeable friction course Hot Mix Asphalt" of the mixture type, SAC, and binder specified. These prices are full compensation for surface preparation, materials, placement, equipment, labor, tools, and incidentals.

The work performed and materials furnished in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under Section 3079.5.2., "Tack Coat," will be paid for at the unit bid price for "Tack Coat" of the tack coat provided. These prices are full compensation for materials, placement, equipment, labor, tools, and incidentals.

Trial batches will not be paid for unless they are included in pavement work approved by the Department.

Payment adjustment for ride quality will be determined in accordance with Item 585, "Ride Quality for Pavement Surfaces."

Special Specification 3081

Thin Overlay Mixtures



1. DESCRIPTION

Construct a thin surface course composed of a compacted mixture of aggregate and asphalt binder mixed hot in a mixing plant. Produce a thin overlay mixture (TOM) with a minimum lift thickness of 1/2 in. for a Type F mixture and 3/4 in. for a Type C mixture.

2. MATERIALS

Furnish uncontaminated materials of uniform quality that meet the requirements of the plans and specifications.

Notify the Engineer of all material sources and before changing any material source or formulation. The Engineer will verify that the specification requirements are met when the Contractor makes a source or formulation change, and may require a new laboratory mixture design, trial batch, or both. The Engineer may sample and test project materials at any time during the project to verify specification compliance in accordance with Item 6, "Control of Materials."

2.1. **Aggregate.** Furnish aggregates from sources that conform to the requirements in accordance with Table 1 and as specified in this Section. Aggregate requirements in this Section, including those shown in Table 1, may be modified or eliminated when shown on the plans. Additional aggregate requirements may be specified when shown on the plans. Provide aggregate stockpiles that meet the definitions in this Section for coarse, intermediate, or fine aggregate. Do not use reclaimed asphalt pavement (RAP) or recycled asphalt shingles (RAS). Supply aggregates that meet the definitions in accordance with [Tex-100-E](#) for crushed gravel or crushed stone. The Engineer will designate the plant or the quarry as the sampling location. Provide samples from materials produced for the project. The Engineer will establish the Surface Aggregate Classification (SAC) and perform Los Angeles abrasion, magnesium sulfate soundness, and Micro-Deval tests. Perform all other aggregate quality tests in accordance with Table 1. Document all test results on the mixture design report. The Engineer may perform tests on independent or split samples to verify Contractor test results. Stockpile aggregates for each source and type separately. Determine aggregate gradations for mixture design and production testing based on the washed sieve analysis in accordance with [Tex-200-F](#), Part II.

2.1.1. **Coarse Aggregate.** Coarse aggregate stockpiles must have no more than 20% material passing the No. 8 sieve. Aggregates from sources listed in the Department's *Bituminous Rated Source Quality Catalog* (BRSQC) are preapproved for use. Use only the rated values for hot-mix listed in the BRSQC. Rated values for surface treatment (ST) do not apply to coarse aggregate sources used in hot-mix asphalt.

For sources not listed on the Department's BRSQC:

- build an individual stockpile for each material;
- request the Department test the stockpile for specification compliance;
- approved only when tested by the Engineer;
- once approved, do not add material to the stockpile unless otherwise approved; and
- allow 30 calendar days for the Engineer to sample, test, and report results.

2.1.1.1. **Blending Class A and Class B Aggregates.** Class B aggregate meeting all other requirements in blending Class A and B aggregates to meet a Class A requirement, ensure that at least 50% by weight, or volume if required, of all aggregates used in the mixture design retained on the No. 8 sieve comes from the Class A

aggregate source, unless otherwise shown on the plans. Blend by volume if the bulk specific gravities of the Class A and B aggregates differ by more than 0.300. Class B aggregate may be disallowed when shown on the plans.

The Engineer may perform tests at any time during production, when the Contractor blends Class A and B aggregates to meet a Class A requirement, to ensure that at least 50% by weight, or volume if required, of the material retained on the No. 8 sieve comes from the Class A aggregate source. The Engineer will use the Department's mix design template, when electing to verify conformance, to calculate the percent of Class A aggregate retained on the No. 8 sieve by inputting the bin percentages shown from readouts in the control room at the time of production and stockpile gradations measured at the time of production. The Engineer may determine the gradations based on either washed or dry sieve analysis from samples obtained from individual aggregate cold feed bins or aggregate stockpiles. The Engineer may perform spot checks using the gradations supplied by the Contractor on the mixture design report as an input for the template; however, a failing spot check will require confirmation with a stockpile gradation determined by the Engineer.

- 2.1.1.2. **Micro-Deval Abrasion.** The Engineer will perform a minimum of one Micro-Deval abrasion test in accordance with [Tex-461-A](#) for each coarse aggregate source used in the mixture design that has a Rated Source Soundness Magnesium (RSSM) loss value greater than 15 as listed in the BRSQC, unless otherwise directed. The Engineer will perform testing before the start of production and may perform additional testing at any time during production. The Engineer may obtain the coarse aggregate samples from each coarse aggregate source or may require the Contractor to obtain the samples. The Engineer may waive all Micro-Deval testing based on a satisfactory test history of the same aggregate source.

The Engineer will estimate the magnesium sulfate soundness loss for each coarse aggregate source, when tested, using the following formula:

$$Mg_{est.} = (RSSM)(MD_{act.}/RSMD)$$

where:

Mg_{est} = magnesium sulfate soundness loss

RSSM = Rated Source Soundness Magnesium

MD_{act} = actual Micro-Deval percent loss

RSMD = Rated Source Micro-Deval

When the estimated magnesium sulfate soundness loss is greater than the maximum magnesium sulfate soundness loss specified, the coarse aggregate source will not be allowed for use unless otherwise approved. The Engineer will consult the Soils and Aggregates Section of the Materials and Tests Division, and additional testing may be required before granting approval.

- 2.1.2. **Intermediate Aggregate.** Aggregates not meeting the definition of coarse or fine aggregate will be defined as intermediate aggregate. Supply intermediate aggregates, when used that are free from organic impurities. The Engineer may test the intermediate aggregate in accordance with [Tex-408-A](#) to verify the material is free from organic impurities. Supply intermediate aggregate from coarse aggregate sources, when used that meet the requirements in accordance with Table 1 unless otherwise approved.

If 10% or more of the stockpile is retained on the No. 4 sieve, verify that it meets the requirements in accordance with Table 1 for crushed face count ([Tex-460-A](#)) and flat and elongated particles ([Tex-280-F](#)).

- 2.1.3. **Fine Aggregate.** Fine aggregates consist of manufactured sands and screenings. Natural sands are not allowed in any mixture. Fine aggregate stockpiles must meet the fine aggregate properties in accordance with Table 1 and the gradation requirements in accordance with Table 2. Supply fine aggregates that are free from organic impurities. The Engineer may test the fine aggregate in accordance with [Tex-408-A](#) to verify the material is free from organic impurities. Use fine aggregate from coarse aggregate sources that meet the requirements in accordance with Table 1 unless otherwise approved.

If 10% or more of the stockpile is retained on the No. 4 sieve, verify that it meets the requirements in accordance with Table 1 for crushed face count ([Tex-460-A](#)) and flat and elongated particles ([Tex-280-F](#)).

Table 1
Aggregate Quality Requirements

Property	Test Method	Requirement
Coarse Aggregate		
SAC	Tex-499-A	A ¹
Deleterious material, %, Max	Tex-217-F , Part I	1.5
Decantation, %, Max	Tex-217-F , Part II	1.5
Micro-Deval abrasion, %	Tex-461-A	Note ^f
Los Angeles abrasion, %, Max	Tex-410-A	30
Magnesium sulfate soundness, 5 cycles, %, Max	Tex-411-A	20
Crushed face count, ³ %, Min	Tex-460-A , Part I	95
Flat and elongated particles @ 5:1, %, Max	Tex-280-F	10
Fine Aggregate		
Linear shrinkage, %, Max	Tex-107-E	3
Sand equivalent, %, Min	Tex-203-F	45

1. Surface Aggregate Classification of "A" is required unless otherwise shown on the plans.
2. Used to estimate the magnesium sulfate soundness loss in accordance with Section 3081.2.1.1.2., "Micro-Deval Abrasion."
3. Only applies to crushed gravel.

Table 2
Gradation Requirements for Fine Aggregate

Sieve Size	% Passing by Weight or Volume
3/8"	100
#8	70-100
#200	0-30

- 2.2. **Mineral Filler.** Mineral filler consists of finely divided mineral matter such as agricultural lime, crusher fines, or hydrated lime. Mineral filler is allowed unless otherwise shown on the plans. Fly ash is not permitted unless otherwise shown on the plans. Use no more than 2% hydrated lime unless otherwise shown on the plans. Test all mineral fillers except hydrated lime and fly ash in accordance with [Tex-107-E](#) to ensure specification compliance. The plans may require or disallow specific mineral fillers. Provide mineral filler, when used, that:
- is sufficiently dry, free-flowing, and free from clumps and foreign matter as determined by the Engineer;
 - does not exceed 3% linear shrinkage when tested in accordance with [Tex-107-E](#); and
 - meets the gradation requirements in Table 3, unless otherwise shown on the plans.

Table 3
Gradation Requirements for Mineral Filler

Sieve Size	% Passing by Weight or Volume
#8	100
#200	55-100

- 2.3. **Baghouse Fines.** Fines collected by the baghouse or other dust-collecting equipment may be reintroduced into the mixing drum.
- 2.4. **Asphalt Binder.** Furnish performance-graded (PG) asphalt binder with a high temperature grade of PG 76 unless otherwise shown in the plans and a low temperature grade as shown on the plans, in accordance with Section 300.2.10., "Performance-Graded Binders."
- 2.5. **Tack Coat.** Furnish CSS-1H, SS-1H, EBL, or a PG binder with a minimum high-temperature grade of PG 58 for tack coat binder in accordance with Item 300, "Asphalts, Oils, and Emulsions." Specialized tack coat materials listed on the Department's Tracking Resistant Asphalt Interlayer (TRAIL) MPL may be allowed or required when shown on the plans. Do not dilute emulsified asphalts at the terminal, in the field, or at any other location before use.

- 2.6. **Additives.** Provide the Engineer with documentation such as the bill of lading showing the quantity of additives used in the project unless otherwise directed.
- 2.6.1. **Lime and Liquid Antistripping Agent.** When lime or a liquid antistripping agent is used, add in accordance with Item 301, "Asphalt Antistripping Agents." Use no more than 1% hydrated lime when using crushed gravel. Do not add lime directly into the mixing drum of any plant where lime is removed through the exhaust stream unless the plant has a baghouse or dust collection system that reintroduces the lime into the drum.
- 2.6.2. **Compaction Aid.** Compaction Aid is defined as a department-approved chemical warm mix additive denoted as "chemical additive" on the Department's materials producer list (MPL) that is used to facilitate mixing and compaction of HMA.
- Compaction Aid is allowed for use on all projects. Compaction aid is required when shown on the plans or as required in Section 3081.4.7.1., "Weather Conditions."
- Warm mix foaming processes, denoted as "foaming process" on the Department-approved MPL, may be used to facilitate mixing and compaction of HMA; however warm mix foaming processes are not defined as a Compaction Aid.
- 2.7. **Recycled Materials.** Recycled materials are not allowed for use.

3. EQUIPMENT

Provide required or necessary equipment in accordance with Item 320, "Equipment for Asphalt Concrete Pavement."

4. CONSTRUCTION

Produce, haul, place, and compact the specified paving mixture. In addition to tests required by the specification, Contractors may perform other QC tests as deemed necessary. At any time during the project, the Engineer may perform production and placement tests as deemed necessary in accordance with Item 5, "Control of the Work." Schedule and participate in a mandatory pre-paving meeting with the Engineer on or before the first day of paving unless otherwise shown on the plans.

- 4.1. **Certification.** Personnel certified by the Department-approved hot-mix asphalt certification program must conduct all mixture designs, sampling, and testing in accordance with Table 4. Supply the Engineer with a list of certified personnel and copies of their current certificates before beginning production and when personnel changes are made. Provide a mixture design developed and signed by a Level 2 certified specialist. Provide Level 1A certified specialists at the plant during production operations. Provide Level 1B certified specialists to conduct placement tests. Provide AGG101 certified specialists for aggregate testing.

Table 4
Test Methods, Test Responsibility, and Minimum Certification Levels

Test Description	Test Method	Contractor	Engineer	Level ¹
1. Aggregate Testing				
Sampling	Tex-221-F	✓	✓	1A/AGG101
Dry sieve	Tex-200-F , Part I	✓	✓	1A/AGG101
Washed sieve	Tex-200-F , Part II	✓	✓	1A/AGG101
Deleterious material	Tex-217-F , Part I	✓	✓	AGG101
Decantation	Tex-217-F , Part II	✓	✓	AGG101
Los Angeles abrasion	Tex-410-A		✓	Department
Magnesium sulfate soundness	Tex-411-A		✓	Department
Micro-Deval abrasion	Tex-461-A		✓	AGG101
Crushed face count	Tex-460-A	✓	✓	AGG101
Flat and elongated particles	Tex-280-F	✓	✓	AGG101
Sand equivalent	Tex-203-F	✓	✓	AGG101
Organic impurities	Tex-408-A	✓	✓	AGG101
Methylene blue test	Tex-252-F		✓	Department
2. Asphalt Binder & Tack Coat Sampling				
Asphalt binder sampling	Tex-500-C , Part II	✓	✓	1A/1B
Tack coat sampling	Tex-500-C , Part III	✓	✓	1A/1B
3. Mix Design & Verification				
Design and JMF changes	Tex-204-F	✓	✓	2
Mixing	Tex-205-F	✓	✓	2
Molding (TGC)	Tex-206-F	✓	✓	1A
Molding (SGC)	Tex-241-F	✓	✓	1A
Laboratory-molded density	Tex-207-F , Parts I & VI	✓	✓	1A
Rice gravity	Tex-227-F , Part II	✓	✓	1A
Drain-down	Tex-235-F	✓	✓	1A
Ignition oven correction factors ²	Tex-236-F , Part II	✓	✓	2
Indirect tensile strength	Tex-226-F	✓	✓	1A
Overlay test	Tex-248-F		✓	Department
Hamburg Wheel test	Tex-242-F	✓	✓	1A
Boil test ⁴	Tex-530-C	✓	✓	1A
4. Production Testing				
Selecting production random numbers	Tex-225-F , Part I		✓	1A
Mixture sampling	Tex-222-F	✓	✓	1A/1B
Molding (TGC)	Tex-206-F	✓	✓	1A
Molding (SGC)	Tex-241-F	✓	✓	1A
Laboratory-molded density	Tex-207-F , Parts I & VI	✓	✓	1A
Rice gravity	Tex-227-F , Part II	✓	✓	1A
Gradation & asphalt binder content ²	Tex-236-F , Part I	✓	✓	1A
Drain-down	Tex-235-F	✓	✓	1A
Control charts	Tex-233-F	✓	✓	1A
Moisture content	Tex-212-F , Part II	✓	✓	1A/AGG101
Hamburg Wheel test	Tex-242-F	✓	✓	1A
Overlay test	Tex-248-F	✓	✓	Department
Micro-Deval abrasion	Tex-461-A		✓	AGG101
Boil test ⁴	Tex-530-C	✓	✓	1A
Abson recovery	Tex-211-F		✓	Department
5. Placement Testing				
Establish rolling pattern	Tex-207-F , Part IV	✓		1B
In-place density (nuclear method)	Tex-207-F , Part III	✓		1B
Control charts	Tex-233-F	✓	✓	1A
Ride quality measurement	Tex-1001-S	✓	✓	Note 3
Thermal profile	Tex-244-F	✓	✓	1B
Water flow test	Tex-246-F	✓	✓	1B

- Level 1A, 1B, AGG101, and 2 are certification levels provided by the Hot Mix Asphalt Center certification program.
- Refer to Section 3081.4.9.2.3., "Production Testing," for exceptions to using an ignition oven.
- Profiler and operator are required to be certified at the Texas A&M Transportation Institute facility when Surface Test Type B is specified.
- When shown on the plans.

4.2.

Reporting and Responsibilities. Use Department-provided templates to record and calculate all test data, including mixture design, production and placement QC/QA, control charts, and thermal profiles. Obtain the current version of the templates at <https://www.txdot.gov/inside-txdot/forms-publications/consultants-contractors/forms/site-manager.html> or from the Engineer. The Engineer and the Contractor will provide any available test results to the other party when requested. The maximum allowable time for the Contractor and Engineer to exchange test data is as given in Table 5 unless otherwise approved. The Engineer and the Contractor will immediately report to the other party any test result that requires suspension of production or placement or that fails to meet the specification requirements. Record and electronically submit all test results and pertinent information on Department-provided templates.

Subsequent sublots placed after test results are available to the Contractor, which require suspension of operations, may be considered unauthorized work. Unauthorized work will be accepted or rejected at the discretion of the Engineer in accordance with Section 5.3., "Conformity with Plans, Specifications, and Special Provisions."

Table 5
Reporting Schedule

Description	Reported By	Reported To	To Be Reported Within
Production Quality Control			
Gradation ¹	Contractor	Engineer	1 working day of completion of the subplot
Asphalt binder content ¹			
Laboratory-molded density ²			
Moisture content ³			
Boil test ⁵			
Production Quality Assurance			
Gradation ³	Engineer	Contractor	1 working day of completion of the subplot
Asphalt binder content ³			
Laboratory-molded density ¹			
Hamburg Wheel test ⁴			
Overlay test ⁴			
Boil test ⁵			
Binder tests ⁴			
Placement Quality Control			
Thermal profile ¹	Contractor	Engineer	1 working day of completion of the lot
Water flow ¹			
Placement Quality Assurance			
Thermal profile ³	Engineer	Contractor	1 working day of completion of the lot
Aging ratio ⁴			
Water flow			

1. These tests are required on every subplot.
2. Optional test. When performed on split samples, report the results as soon as they become available.
3. To be performed at the frequency specified and in accordance with Table 13 or as shown on the plans.
4. To be reported as soon as the results become available.
5. When shown on the plans.

Use the procedures described in [Tex-233-E](#) to plot the results of all quality control (QC) and quality assurance (QA) testing. Update the control charts as soon as test results for each subplot become available. Make the control charts readily accessible at the field laboratory. The Engineer may suspend production for failure to update control charts.

4.3.

Quality Control Plan (QCP). Develop and follow the QCP in detail. Obtain approval for changes to the QCP made during the project. The Engineer may suspend operations if the Contractor fails to comply with the QCP.

Submit a written QCP before the mandatory pre-paving meeting. Receive approval of the QCP before pre-paving meeting. Include the following items in the QCP:

- 4.3.1. **Project Personnel.** For project personnel, include:
- a list of individuals responsible for QC with authority to take corrective action;
 - current contact information for each individual listed; and
 - current copies of certification documents for individuals performing specified QC functions.
- 4.3.2. **Material Delivery and Storage.** For material delivery and storage, include:
- the sequence of material processing, delivery, and minimum quantities to assure continuous plant operations;
 - aggregate stockpiling procedures to avoid contamination and segregation;
 - frequency, type, and timing of aggregate stockpile testing to assure conformance of material requirements before mixture production; and
 - procedure for monitoring the quality and variability of asphalt binder.
- 4.3.3. **Production.** For production, include:
- loader operation procedures to avoid contamination in cold bins;
 - procedures for calibrating and controlling cold feeds;
 - procedures to eliminate debris or oversized material;
 - procedures for adding and verifying rates of each applicable mixture component (e.g., aggregate, asphalt binder, lime, liquid antistripping, compaction aid, foaming process);
 - procedures for reporting job control test results; and
 - procedures to avoid segregation and drain-down in the silo.
- 4.3.4. **Loading and Transporting.** For loading and transporting, include:
- type and application method for release agents; and
 - truck loading procedures to avoid segregation.
- 4.3.5. **Placement and Compaction.** For placement and compaction, include:
- proposed agenda for mandatory pre-paving meeting, including date and location;
 - proposed paving plan (e.g., production rate, paving widths, joint offsets, and lift thicknesses);
 - type and application method for release agents in the paver and on rollers, shovels, lutes, and other utensils;
 - procedures for the transfer of mixture into the paver, while avoiding physical and thermal segregation and preventing material spillage;
 - process to balance production, delivery, paving, and compaction to achieve continuous placement operations and good ride quality;
 - paver operations (e.g., speed, operation of wings, height of mixture in auger chamber) to avoid physical and thermal segregation and other surface irregularities; and
 - procedures to construct quality longitudinal and transverse joints.
- 4.4. **Mixture Design.**
- 4.4.1. **Design Requirements.** The Contractor may design the mixture using a Texas Gyrotory Compactor (TGC) or a Superpave Gyrotory Compactor (SGC) unless otherwise shown on the plans. Use the typical weight design example given in [Tex-204-F](#), Part I, when using a TGC. Use the Superpave mixture design procedure provided in [Tex-204-F](#), Part IV, when using a SGC. Design the mixture to meet the requirements in accordance with Tables 1, 2, 3, 6, and 7.
- 4.4.1.1. **Target Laboratory-Molded Density When the TGC Is Used.** Design the mixture at a 97.5% target laboratory-molded density or in accordance with Table 7.

4.4.1.2.

Design Number of Gyration (N_{design}) When the SGC Is Used. Design the mixture at 50 gyrations (N_{design}). Use a target laboratory-molded density of 96.0% to design the mixture; however, adjustments can be made to the N_{design} value as noted in Table 7. The N_{design} level may be reduced to no less than 35 gyrations at the Contractor's discretion.

Use an approved laboratory from the Department's MPL to perform the Hamburg Wheel test, and the Department will perform the Overlay test and provide results with the mixture design, or provide the laboratory mixture and request that the Department perform the Hamburg Wheel test and Overlay test. The Engineer will be allowed 10 working days to provide the Contractor with Hamburg Wheel test and Overlay test results on the laboratory mixture design.

The Engineer will provide the mixture design when shown on the plans. The Contractor may submit a new mixture design at any time during the project. The Engineer will verify and approve all mixture designs (JMF 1) before the Contractor can begin production.

Provide the Engineer with a mixture design report using the Department-provided template. Include the following items in the report:

- the combined aggregate gradation, source, specific gravity, and percent of each material used;
- the target laboratory-molded density (or N_{design} level when using the SGC);
- results of all applicable tests;
- the mixing and molding temperatures;
- the signature of the Level 2 person or persons that performed the design;
- the date the mixture design was performed; and
- a unique identification number for the mixture design.

Table 6
Master Gradation Limits (% Passing by Weight or Volume) and Volumetric Requirements

Sieve Size	Coarse (TOM-C)	Fine (TOM-F)
1/2"	100.0 ¹	100.0 ¹
3/8"	95.0–100.0	98.0–100.0
#4	40.0–60.0	70.0–95.0
#8	17.0–27.0	40.0–65.0
#16	5.0–27.0	20.0–45.0
#30	5.0–27.0	10.0–35.0
#50	5.0–27.0	10.0–20.0
#200	5.0–9.0	2.0–12.0
Asphalt Binder Content,² % Min		
-	6.0	6.5
Design VMA,³ % Min		
-	16.0	16.5
Production (Plant-Produced) VMA,³ % Min		
-	15.5	16.0

1. Defined as maximum sieve size. No tolerance allowed.
2. Unless otherwise shown on the plans or approved by the Engineer.
3. Voids in Mineral Aggregates (VMA).

Table 7
Mixture Design Properties

Mixture Property	Test Method	Requirement
Target laboratory-molded density, % (TGC)	Tex-207-F	97.5 ¹
Design gyrations (N _{design} for SGC)	Tex-241-F	50 ²
Hamburg Wheel test, passes at 12.5 mm rut depth for PG 76 mixtures	Tex-242-F	20,000 Min
Overlay test, Critical Fracture Energy, lb.-in/sq. in	Tex-248-F	1.5 Min
Overlay test, Crack Progression Rate	Tex-248-F	0.40 Max
Drain-down, %	Tex-235-F	0.20 Max

1. Unless otherwise shown on the plans or approved by the Engineer. Laboratory-molded density requirement using the TGC may be waived when approved by the Engineer.

2. May be adjusted within the range of 35–100 gyrations when shown on the plans or specification or when mutually agreed between the Engineer and Contractor. Laboratory-molded density requirement using the SGC may be waived when approved by the Engineer.

- 4.4.1 **Job-Mix Formula Approval.** The job-mix formula (JMF) is the combined aggregate gradation, target laboratory-molded density (or Ndesign level), and target asphalt percentage used to establish target values for hot-mix production. JMF1 is the original laboratory mixture design used to produce the trial batch. When a compaction aid or foaming process is used, JMF1 may be designed and submitted to the Engineer without including the compaction aid or foaming process. When a compaction aid or foaming process is used, document the compaction aid or foaming process used and recommended rate on the JMF1 submittal. The Engineer and the Contractor will verify JMF1 based on plant-produced mixture from the trial batch unless otherwise approved. The Engineer may accept an existing mixture design previously used on a Department project and may waive the trial batch to verify JMF1. The Department may require the Contractor to reimburse the Department for verification tests if more than two trial batches per design are required.
- 4.4.2.1. **Contractor's Responsibilities.**
- 4.4.2.1.1. **Providing Gyrotory Compactor.** Use a TGC calibrated in accordance with [Tex-914-K](#) when electing or required to design the mixture in accordance with [Tex-204-E](#), Part I, for molding production samples. Furnish an SGC calibrated in accordance with [Tex-241-F](#) when electing or required to design the mixture in accordance with [Tex-204-F](#), Part IV, for molding production samples. Locate the SGC if used, at the Engineer's field laboratory or make the SGC available to the Engineer for use in molding production samples.
- 4.4.2.1.2. **Gyrotory Compactor Correlation Factors.** Use [Tex-206-F](#), Part II, to perform a gyrotory compactor correlation when the Engineer uses a different gyrotory compactor. Apply the correlation factor to all subsequent production test results.
- 4.4.2.1.3. **Submitting JMF1.** Furnish a mix design report (JMF1) with representative samples of all component materials and request approval to produce the trial batch. Provide approximately 25 lb. of the design mixture if opting to have the Department perform the Hamburg Wheel test on the laboratory mixture, and request that the Department perform the test. Provide approximately 60 lb. of the design mixture to perform the Overlay test.
- 4.4.2.1.4. **Supplying Aggregates.** Provide approximately 40 lb. of each aggregate stockpile unless otherwise directed.
- 4.4.2.1.5. **Supplying Asphalt.** Provide at least 1 gal. of the asphalt material and enough quantities of any additives proposed for use.
- 4.4.2.1.6. **Ignition Oven Correction Factors.** Determine the aggregate and asphalt correction factors from the ignition oven in accordance with [Tex-236-F](#), Part II. Provide correction factors that are not more than 12 mo. old. Provide the Engineer with split samples of the mixtures before the trial batch production, including all additives (except water), and blank samples used to determine the correction factors for the ignition oven used for QA testing during production. Correction factors established from a previously approved mixture design may be used for the current mixture design if the mixture design and ignition oven are the same as previously used and the correction factors are not more than 12 mo. old, unless otherwise directed.
- 4.4.2.1.7. **Boil Test.** When shown on the plans, perform the test and retain the tested sample from [Tex-530-C](#) until completion of the project or as directed. Use this sample for comparison purposes during production.
- 4.4.2.1.8. **Trial Batch Production.** Provide a plant-produced trial batch upon receiving conditional approval of JMF1 and authorization to produce a trial batch, including the compaction aid or foaming process, if applicable, for verification testing of JMF1 and development of JMF2. Produce a trial batch mixture that meets the requirements in accordance with Table 8. The Engineer may accept test results from recent production of the same mixture instead of a new trial batch.

- 4.4.2.1.9. **Trial Batch Production Equipment.** Use only equipment and materials proposed for use on the project to produce the trial batch.
- 4.4.2.1.10. **Trial Batch Quantity.** Produce enough quantity of the trial batch to ensure that the mixture meets the specification requirements.
- 4.4.2.1.11. **Number of Trial Batches.** Produce trial batches as necessary to obtain a mixture that meets the specification requirements.
- 4.4.2.1.12. **Trial Batch Sampling.** Obtain a representative sample of the trial batch and split it into three equal portions in accordance with [Tex-222-F](#). Label these portions as “Contractor,” “Engineer,” and “Referee.” Deliver samples to the appropriate laboratory as directed.
- 4.4.2.1.13. **Trial Batch Testing.** Test the trial batch to ensure the mixture produced using the proposed JMF1 meets the mixture requirements in accordance with Table 8. Ensure the trial batch mixture is also in compliance with the requirements in accordance with Tables 6 and 7. Use a Department-approved laboratory listed on the MPL to perform the Hamburg Wheel test on the trial batch mixture or request that the Department perform the Hamburg Wheel test. Provide approximately 25 lb. of the trial batch mixture if opting to have the Department perform the Hamburg Wheel test, and request that the Department perform the test. Obtain and provide approximately 60 lb. of trial batch mixture in sealed containers, boxes, or bags labeled with the CSJ, mixture type, lot, and subplot number in accordance with [Tex-222-F](#) for the Overlay test. The Engineer will be allowed 10 working days to provide the Contractor with Hamburg Wheel test and Overlay test results on the trial batch. Provide the Engineer with a copy of the trial batch test results.
- 4.4.2.1.14. **Development of JMF2.** Evaluate the trial batch test results after the Engineer grants full approval of JMF 1 based on results from the trial batch, determine the optimum mixture proportions, and submit as JMF 2. Adjust the asphalt binder content or gradation to achieve the specified target laboratory-molded density. The mixture produced using JMF2 must meet the requirements in accordance with Tables 6 and 7. Verify that JMF2 meets the operation tolerances of JMF 1 in accordance with Table 8.
- 4.4.2.1.15. **Mixture Production.** Use JMF2 to produce Lot 1 after receiving approval for JMF2 and a passing result from the Department’s or a Department-approved laboratory’s Hamburg Wheel test and the Department’s Overlay test on the trial batch. If desired, proceed to Lot 1 production, once JMF2 is approved, at the Contractor’s risk without receiving the results from either the Department’s Hamburg Wheel test or Overlay test on the trial batch.
- Notify the Engineer if electing to proceed without Hamburg Wheel test and Overlay test results from the trial batch. Note that the Engineer may require up to the entire subplot of any mixture failing the Hamburg Wheel test or Overlay test to be removed and replaced at the Contractor’s expense.
- 4.4.2.1.16. **Development of JMF3.** Evaluate the test results from Lot 1, determine the optimum mixture proportions, and submit as JMF3 for use in Lot 2.
- 4.4.2.1.17. **JMF Adjustments.** If JMF adjustments are necessary to achieve the specified requirements, make the adjustments before beginning a new lot. The adjusted JMF must:
- be provided to the Engineer in writing before the start of a new lot;
 - be numbered in sequence to the previous JMF;
 - meet the master gradation limits in accordance with Table 6; and
 - be within the operational tolerances of JMF2 in accordance with Table 8.
- 4.4.2.1.18. **Requesting Referee Testing.** Use referee testing, if needed, in accordance with Section 3081.4.9.1., “Referee Testing,” to resolve testing differences with the Engineer.

Table 8
Operational Tolerances

Description	Test Method	Allowable Difference between JMF2 and JMF1 Target ¹	Allowable Difference from Current JMF and JMF2 ²	Allowable Difference between Contractor and Engineer ³
Individual % retained for #8 sieve and larger	Tex-200-F or Tex-236-F	Must be Within Master Grading Limits in accordance with Table 6	±3.0 ^{4,5}	±5.0
Individual % retained for sieves smaller than #8 and larger than #200			±3.0 ^{4,5}	±3.0
% passing the #200 sieve			±2.0 ^{4,5}	±1.6
Asphalt binder content, % ⁶	Tex-236-F	±0.3	±0.3 ⁵	±0.3
Laboratory-molded density, %	Tex-207-F	±1.0	±1.0	±1.0
Laboratory-molded bulk specific gravity		N/A	N/A	±0.020
VMA, % Min	Tex-204-F	Note 7	Note 7	N/A
Theoretical Max specific (Rice) gravity	Tex-227-F	N/A	N/A	±0.020
Drain-down, %	Tex-235-F	Note 8	Note 8	N/A

1. JMF1 is the approved laboratory mixture design used for producing the trial batch. JMF2 is the approved mixture design developed from the trial batch used to produce Lot 1.
2. Current JMF is JMF3 or higher. JMF3 is the approved mix design used to produce Lot 2.
3. Contractor may request referee testing only when values exceed these tolerances.
4. When within these tolerances, mixture production gradations may fall outside the master grading limits; however, the % passing the #200 will be considered out of tolerance when outside the master grading limits.
5. Only applies to mixture produced for Lot 1 and higher.
6. Binder content is not allowed to be outside the limits in accordance with Table 6. May be obtained from asphalt meter readouts as determined by the Engineer.
7. Verify that Table 6 requirements are met.
8. Verify that Table 7 requirements are met.

4.4.2.2. **Engineer's Responsibilities.**

4.4.2.2.1. **Gyratory Compactor.** For mixtures designed in accordance with [Tex-204-F](#), Part I, the Engineer will use a Department TGC, calibrated in accordance with [Tex-914-K](#), to mold samples for trial batch and production testing.

For mixtures designed in accordance with [Tex-204-F](#), Part IV, the Engineer will use a Department SGC, calibrated in accordance with [Tex-241-F](#), to mold samples for laboratory mixture design verification. For molding trial batch and production specimens, the Engineer will use the Contractor-provided SGC at the field laboratory or provide and use a Department SGC at an alternate location.

4.4.2.2.2. **Conditional Approval of JMF1 and Authorizing Trial Batch.** The Engineer will review and verify conformance of the following information within two working days of receipt

- the Contractor's mix design report (JMF1);
- the Department-provided Overlay test results;
- the Contractor-provided Hamburg Wheel test results;
- all required materials including aggregates, asphalt, and additives; and
- the mixture specifications.

The Engineer will grant the Contractor conditional approval of JMF1 if the information provided on the paper copy of JMF1 indicates that the Contractor's mixture design meets the specifications. When the Contractor does not provide Hamburg Wheel test and department provided Overlay test results with laboratory mixture design, 10 working days are allowed for conditional approval of JMF1. The Engineer will base full approval of JMF1 on test results on mixture from the trial batch.

Unless waived, the Engineer will determine the Micro-Deval abrasion loss in accordance with

Section 3081.2.1.1., "Micro-Deval Abrasion." If the Engineer's test results are pending after two working days, conditional approval of JMF1 will still be granted within two working days of receiving JMF1. When the Engineer's test results become available, they will be used for specification compliance.

The Contractor is authorized to produce a trial batch after the Engineer grants conditional approval of JMF1.

- 4.4.2.2.3. **Hamburg Wheel and Overlay Testing of JMF1.** If the Contractor requests the option to have the Department perform the Hamburg Wheel test on the laboratory mixture, the Engineer will mold samples in accordance with [Tex-242-F](#) to verify compliance with the Hamburg Wheel test requirement in Table 7. The Engineer will perform the Overlay test and mold samples in accordance with [Tex-248-F](#) to verify compliance with the Overlay test requirements in Table 7. The Engineer will be allowed 10 working days to provide the Contractor with Hamburg Wheel and Overlay test results on the laboratory mixture design.
- 4.4.2.2.4. **Ignition Oven Correction Factors.** The Engineer will use the split samples provided by the Contractor to determine the aggregate and asphalt correction factors for the ignition oven used for QA testing during production in accordance with [Tex-236-F](#), Part II. Provide correction factors that are not more than 12 mo. old.
- 4.4.2.2.5. **Testing the Trial Batch.** Within one full working day, the Engineer will sample and test the trial batch to ensure that the mixture meets the requirements in accordance with Table 8. The Engineer will mold samples in accordance with [Tex-242-F](#) if the Contractor requests the option to have the Department perform the Hamburg Wheel test on the trial batch mixture to verify compliance with Hamburg Wheel test requirements in Table 7. The Engineer will mold samples for the Overlay test in accordance with [Tex-248-F](#) to verify compliance with the Overlay test requirement in Table 7.
- The Engineer will have the option to perform [Tex-530-C](#) on the trial batch when shown on the plans. These results may be retained and used for comparison purposes during production.
- 4.4.2.2.6. **Full Approval of JMF1.** The Engineer will grant full approval of JMF1 and authorize the Contractor to proceed with developing JMF2 if the Engineer's results for the trial batch meet the requirements in accordance with Tables 6 and 7. The Engineer will notify the Contractor that an additional trial batch is required if the trial batch does not meet these requirements.
- 4.4.2.2.7. **Approval of JMF2.** The Engineer will approve JMF2 within one working day if the mixture meets the requirements in accordance with Table 6, 7, and 8.
- 4.4.2.2.8. **Approval of Lot 1 Production.** The Engineer will authorize the Contractor to proceed with Lot 1 production (using JMF2) as soon as a passing result is achieved from the Department's or a Department-approved laboratory's Hamburg Wheel test and the Department's Overlay test on the trial batch. The Contractor may proceed at its own risk with Lot 1 production without the results from the Hamburg Wheel test or Overlay test on the trial batch.
- If the Department's or Department-approved laboratory's sample from the trial batch fails the Hamburg Wheel test or Overlay test, the Engineer will suspend production until further Hamburg Wheel tests or Overlay tests meet the specified values. The Engineer may require up to the entire subplot of any mixture failing the Hamburg Wheel test or Overlay test to be removed and replaced at the Contractor's expense.
- 4.4.2.2.9. **Approval of JMF3 and Subsequent JMF Changes.** JMF3 and subsequent JMF changes are approved if they meet the master grading limits and asphalt binder content shown in Table 6 and are within the operational tolerances of JMF2 shown in accordance with Table 8.
- 4.5. **Production Operations.** Perform a new trial batch when the plant or plant location is changed. Take corrective action and receive approval to proceed after any production suspension for noncompliance to the specification.

4.5.1. **Storage and Heating of Materials.** Do not heat the asphalt binder above the temperatures specified in Item 300, "Asphalts, Oils, and Emulsions," or outside the manufacturer's recommended values. Provide the Engineer with daily records of asphalt binder and hot-mix asphalt discharge temperatures (in legible and discernible increments) in accordance with Item 320, "Equipment for Asphalt Concrete Pavement," unless otherwise directed. Do not store mixture for a period long enough to affect the quality of the mixture, nor in any case longer than 12 hr. unless otherwise approved.

4.5.2. **Mixing and Discharge of Materials.** Notify the Engineer of the target discharge temperature and produce the mixture within 25°F of the target. Monitor the temperature of the material in the truck before shipping to ensure that it does not exceed the maximum production temperatures in accordance with Table 9. The Department will not pay for or allow placement of any mixture produced above the maximum production temperatures listed in Table 9.

**Table 9
Maximum Production Temperature**

High-Temperature Binder Grade ¹	Max Production Temperature
PG 76	345°F

1. The high-temperature binder grade refers to the high-temperature grade of the virgin asphalt binder used to produce the mixture.

Control the mixing time and temperature so that substantially all moisture is removed from the mixture before discharging from the plant. Determine the moisture content, if requested, by oven-drying in accordance with [Tex-212-F](#), Part II, and verify that the mixture contains no more than 0.2% of moisture by weight. Obtain the sample immediately after discharging the mixture into the truck and perform the test promptly.

4.6. **Hauling Operations.** Clean all truck beds before use to ensure that mixture is not contaminated. Use a release agent shown on the Department's MPL to coat the inside bed of the truck when necessary. Do not use diesel or any release agent not shown on the Department's MPL.

Use equipment for hauling as defined in Section 3081.4.7.3.3., "Hauling Equipment." Use other hauling equipment only when allowed.

4.7. **Placement Operations.** Collect haul tickets from each load of mixture delivered to the project and provide the Department's copy to the Engineer approximately every hour, or as directed. Use a hand-held thermal camera or infrared thermometer, when a thermal imaging system is not used, to measure and record the internal temperature of the mixture as discharged from the truck or Material Transfer Device (MTD) before or as the mix enters the paver and an approximate station number or GPS coordinates on each ticket. Calculate the daily yield and cumulative yield for the specified lift and provide to the Engineer at the end of paving operations for each day unless otherwise directed. The Engineer may suspend production if the Contractor fails to produce and provide haul tickets and yield calculations by the end of paving operations for each day.

Prepare the surface by removing raised pavement markers and objectionable material such as moisture, dirt, sand, leaves, and other loose impediments from the surface before placing mixture. Remove vegetation from pavement edges. Place the mixture to meet the typical section requirements and produce a smooth, finished surface with a uniform appearance and texture. Place mixture so that longitudinal joints on the surface course coincide within 6-in. of lane lines and are not placed in the wheel path, or as directed, and offset longitudinal joints of successive courses of hot-mix by at least 6-in. Ensure that all finished surfaces will drain properly. Place the mixture at the rate or thickness shown on the plans. The Engineer will use the guidelines in Table 10 to determine the compacted lift thickness. The thickness determined is based on the rate of 110–115 lb. per square inch. for each inch of pavement unless otherwise shown on the plans.

**Table 10
Compacted Lift Thickness**

Mixture Type	Compacted Lift Thickness ¹	
	Min (in.)	Max (in.)
TOM-C	0.75	1.25
TOM-F	0.5	1.00

1. Compacted target lift thickness will be specified on the plans.

4.7.1. **Weather Conditions.**

4.7.1.1. **When Using a Thermal Imaging System.** The Contractor may pave any time the roadway is dry and the roadway surface temperature is at least 60°F unless otherwise approved or as shown on the plans; however, the Engineer may restrict the Contractor from paving surface mixtures if the ambient temperature is likely to drop below 32°F within 12 hr. of paving. Place mixtures only when weather conditions and moisture conditions of the roadway surface are suitable as determined by the Engineer. Provide output data from the thermal imaging system to demonstrate to the Engineer that no recurring severe thermal segregation exists in accordance with Section 3081.4.7.3.1.2., "Thermal Imaging System."

Produce mixture with a target discharge temperature higher than 300°F and with a compaction aid to facilitate compaction when the air temperature is 70°F and falling

4.7.1.2. **When Not Using a Thermal Imaging System.** When using a thermal camera instead the thermal imaging system, place mixture when the roadway surface temperature is at or above 70°F unless otherwise approved or as shown on the plans. Measure the roadway surface temperature with a hand-held thermal camera or infrared thermometer. Place mixtures only when weather conditions and moisture conditions of the roadway surface are suitable as determined by the Engineer. The Engineer may restrict the Contractor from paving if the air temperature is 70°F and falling.

Produce mixture with a target discharge temperature higher than 300°F and with a compaction aid to facilitate compaction when the air temperature is 70°F and falling.

4.7.2. **Tack Coat.**

4.7.2.1. **Application.** Clean the surface before placing the tack coat. The Engineer will set the rate between 0.04 and 0.10 gal. of residual asphalt per square yard of surface area, unless otherwise specified on the plans. Apply a uniform tack coat at the specified rate unless otherwise directed. Apply the tack coat in a uniform manner to avoid streaks and other irregular patterns. Apply the tack coat to all surfaces that will come in contact with the subsequent HMA placement unless otherwise directed. Apply adequate overlap of the tack coat in the longitudinal direction during placement of the mat to ensure bond of adjacent mats, unless otherwise directed. Allow adequate time for emulsion to break completely before placing any material. Prevent splattering of tack coat when placed adjacent to curb, gutter, and structures. The Engineer may suspend paving operations until there is adequate coverage. Do not dilute emulsified asphalts at the terminal, in the field, or at any other location before use.

4.7.2.2. **Sampling.** The Engineer will obtain at least one sample of the tack coat binder per project in accordance with [Tex-500-C](#), Part III, and test it to verify compliance with Item 300, "Asphalts, Oils, and Emulsions." The Engineer will notify the Contractor when the sampling will occur and will witness the collection of the sample from the asphalt distributor immediately before use. Label the can with the corresponding lot and subplot numbers, producer, producer facility, grade, district, date sampled, and project information including highway and CSJ. For emulsions, the Engineer may test as often as necessary to ensure the residual of the emulsion is greater than or equal to the specification requirement in Item 300, "Asphalts, Oils, and Emulsions."

4.7.3. **Lay-Down Operations.** Use the placement temperatures in accordance with Table 11 to establish the minimum placement temperature of mixture delivered to the paving operation.

Table 11
Minimum Mixture Placement Temperature

High-Temperature Binder Grade ¹	Min Placement Temperature (Before Entering Paving Operation) ^{2,3}
PG 76	280°F

1. The high-temperature binder grade refers to the high-temperature grade of the virgin asphalt binder used to produce the mixture.
2. The mixture temperature must be measured using a hand-held thermal camera or infrared thermometer nearest to the point of entry of the paving operation.
3. Minimum placement temperatures may be reduced 10°F if using a compaction aid.

4.7.3.1. **Thermal Profile.** Use a hand-held thermal camera or a thermal imaging system to obtain a continuous thermal profile in accordance with [Tex-244-F](#).

4.7.3.1.1. **Thermal Segregation.**

4.7.3.1.1.1. **Moderate.** Any areas that have a temperature differential greater than 25°F, but not exceeding 50°F.

4.7.3.1.1.2. **Severe.** Any areas that have a temperature differential greater than 50°F.

4.7.3.1.2. **Thermal Imaging System.** Review the output results when a thermal imaging system is used, and provide the report described in accordance with [Tex-244-F](#) to the Engineer daily. Modify the paving process as necessary to eliminate any recurring (moderate or severe) thermal segregation identified by the thermal imaging system.

The Engineer may suspend subsequent paving operations if the Contractor cannot successfully modify the paving process to eliminate recurring severe or moderate thermal segregation.

Provide the Engineer with electronic copies of all daily data files that can be used with the thermal imaging system software to generate temperature profile plots daily or as requested by the Engineer.

4.7.3.1.3. **Thermal Camera.** When using a thermal camera instead of the thermal imaging system, take immediate corrective action to eliminate recurring moderate thermal segregation when a hand-held thermal camera is used. Evaluate areas with moderate thermal segregation by performing water flow testing in accordance with [Tex-246-F](#) and verify the water flow is greater than 120 sec. Provide the Engineer with the thermal profile of every subplot within one working day of the completion of each lot. When requested by the Engineer, provide the electronic files generated using the thermal camera. Report the results of each thermal profile in accordance with Section 3081.4.2., "Reporting and Responsibilities." The Engineer will use a hand-held thermal camera to obtain a thermal profile at least once per project, unless the thermal imaging system is used. Suspend operations and take immediate corrective action to eliminate severe thermal segregation unless otherwise directed. Resume operations when the Engineer determines that subsequent production will meet the requirements of this Section. Evaluate areas with severe thermal segregation by performing water flow testing in accordance with [Tex-246-F](#) and verify the water flow is greater than 120 sec. Remove and replace the material in any areas that have both severe thermal segregation and a failing result for water flow test unless otherwise directed.

4.7.3.2. **Windrow Operations.** Operate windrow pickup equipment so that when hot-mix is placed in windrows, substantially all the mixture deposited on the roadbed is picked up and loaded into the paver.

4.7.3.3. **Hauling Equipment.** Use belly dumps, live bottom, or end dump trucks to haul and transfer mixture. End dump trucks are only allowed when used in conjunction with an MTD with remixing capability unless otherwise allowed.

4.7.3.4. **Screed Heaters.** Turn off screed heaters to prevent overheating of the mat if the paver stops for more than 5 min. The Engineer may evaluate the suspect area in accordance with Section 3081.4.9.3.1.1., "Recovered Asphalt Dynamic Shear Rheometer (DSR)," if the screed heater remains on for more than 5 min. while the paver is stopped.

4.8.

Compaction. Roll the freshly placed mixture with as many steel-wheeled rollers as necessary to ensure adequate compaction without excessive breakage of the aggregate and to provide a smooth surface and uniform texture. Operate each roller in static mode for TOM-F mixtures only. Do not use pneumatic-tire rollers. Use the control strip method given in accordance with [Tex-207-F](#), Part IV, to establish the rolling pattern. Thoroughly moisten the roller drums with a soap and water solution to prevent adhesion. Use only water or an approved release agent on rollers, tamps, and other compaction equipment unless otherwise directed.

Use tamps to thoroughly compact the edges of the pavement along curbs, headers, and similar structures and in locations that will not allow thorough compaction with rollers. The Engineer may require rolling with a trench roller on widened areas, in trenches, and in other limited areas.

Use [Tex-246-F](#) to measure water flow to verify the mixture is adequately compacted. Measure the water flow once per subplot at locations directed by the Engineer. Take additional water flow measurements when the minimum temperature of the uncompacted mat is below the temperature requirements in accordance with Table 12.

Table 12
Minimum Uncompacted Mat Temperature Requiring Additional Water Flow Measurements

High-Temperature Binder Grade ¹	Min Temperature of the Uncompacted Mat Allowed Before Initial Break Down Rolling ^{2,3}
PG 76	<270°F

1. The high-temperature binder grade refers to the high-temperature grade of the virgin asphalt binder used to produce the mixture.
2. The surface of the uncompacted mat must be measured using a hand-held thermometer or infrared thermometer.
3. Minimum uncompacted mat temperature requiring a water flow measurement may be reduced 10°F if using a compaction aid.

Use [Tex-246-F](#) to measure water flow to verify the mixture is adequately compacted at confined longitudinal joints as directed by the Engineer.

The water flow rate should be greater than 120 sec. Investigate the cause of the water flow rate test failures and take corrective actions during production and placement to ensure the water flow rate is greater than 120 sec. Suspend production if two consecutive water flow rate tests fail unless otherwise approved. Resume production after the Engineer approves changes to production or placement methods.

Complete all compaction operations before the pavement temperature drops below 180°F unless otherwise allowed. The Engineer may allow compaction with a light finish roller operated in static mode for pavement temperatures below 180°F when approved.

Allow the compacted pavement to cool to 160°F or lower before opening to traffic unless otherwise directed. Sprinkle the finished mat with water or limewater, when directed, to expedite opening the roadway to traffic.

4.9.

Acceptance Plan. Sample and test the hot-mix asphalt on a lot and subplot basis.

4.9.1.

Referee Testing. The Materials and Tests Division is the referee laboratory. The Contractor may request referee testing if the differences between Contractor and Engineer test results exceed the maximum allowable difference in accordance with Table 8 and the differences cannot be resolved. The Contractor may also request referee testing if the Engineer's test results require suspension of production and the Contractor's test results are within specification limits. Make the request within five working days after receiving test results from the Engineer. Referee tests will be performed only on the subplot in question and only for the particular tests in question. Allow 10 working days from the time the referee laboratory receives the samples for test results to be reported. The Department may require the Contractor to reimburse the Department for referee tests if more than three referee tests per project are required and the Engineer's test results are closer to the referee test results than the Contractor's test results.

The Materials and Tests Division will determine the laboratory-molded density based on the molded specific gravity and the maximum theoretical specific gravity of the referee sample.

4.9.2. **Production Acceptance.**

4.9.2.1. **Production Lot.** A production lot consists of four equal sublots. The default quantity for Lot 1 is 500 ton; however, when requested by the Contractor, the Engineer may increase the quantity for Lot 1 to no more than 2,000 ton. The Engineer will select subsequent lot sizes based on the anticipated daily production such that approximately three to four sublots are produced each day. The lot size will be between 500 ton and 2,000 ton. The Engineer may change the lot size before the Contractor begins any lot.

4.9.2.1.1. **Incomplete Production Lots.** If a lot is begun but cannot be completed, such as on the last day of production or in other circumstances deemed appropriate, the Engineer may close the lot. Close all lots within five working days unless otherwise allowed.

4.9.2.2. **Production Sampling.**

4.9.2.2.1. **Mixture Sampling.** Obtain hot-mix samples from trucks at the plant in accordance with [Tex-222-F](#). The sampler will split each sample into three equal portions in accordance with [Tex-200-F](#) and label these portions as "Contractor," "Engineer," and "Referee." The Engineer will perform or witness the sample splitting and take immediate possession of the samples labeled "Engineer" and "Referee." The Engineer will maintain the custody of the samples labeled "Engineer" and "Referee" until the Department's testing is completed.

4.9.2.2.1.1. **Random Sample.** At the beginning of the project, the Engineer will select random numbers for all production sublots. Determine sample locations in accordance with [Tex-225-F](#). Take one sample for each subplot at the randomly selected location. The Engineer will perform or witness the sampling of production sublots.

4.9.2.2.1.2. **Blind Sample.** For one subplot per lot, the Engineer will obtain and test a "blind" sample instead of the random sample collected by the Contractor. Test either the "blind" or the random sample; however, referee testing (if applicable) will be based on a comparison of results from the "blind" sample. The location of the Engineer's "blind" sample will not be disclosed to the Contractor. The Engineer's "blind" sample may be randomly selected in accordance with [Tex-225-F](#) for any subplot or selected at the discretion of the Engineer. The Engineer will use the Contractor's split sample for sublots not sampled by the Engineer.

4.9.2.2.2. **Informational Methylene Blue Testing.** During the project and at random, obtain and provide the Engineer with approximately 50 lb. of each fine aggregate and approximately 20 lb. of all mineral fillers used to produce the mixture. Label the samples with the Control Section Job (CSJ), mixture type, and approximate lot and subplot number corresponding to when the sample was taken. The Engineer will ship the samples to the Materials and Tests Division for Methylene Blue testing in accordance with [Tex-252-F](#). Results from these tests will not be used for specification compliance.

4.9.2.2.3. **Asphalt Binder Sampling.** Obtain a 1-qt. sample of the asphalt binder witnessed by the Engineer for each lot of mixture produced. The Contractor will notify the Engineer when the sampling will occur. Obtain the sample at approximately the same time the mixture random sample is obtained. Sample from a port located immediately upstream from the mixing drum or pug mill and upstream from the introduction of any additives in accordance with [Tex-500-C](#), Part II. Label the can with the corresponding lot and subplot numbers, producer, producer facility location, grade, district, date sampled, and project information including highway and CSJ. The Engineer will retain these samples for one year. The Engineer may also obtain independent samples. If obtaining an independent asphalt binder sample and upon request of the Contractor, the Engineer will split a sample of the asphalt binder with the Contractor.

At least once per project, the Engineer will collect split samples of each binder grade and source used. The Engineer will submit one split sample to the Materials and Tests Division to verify compliance with Item 300, "Asphalts, Oils, and Emulsions," and will retain the other split sample for 1 yr.

4.9.2.3. **Production Testing.** The Contractor and Engineer must perform production tests in accordance with Table 13. The Contractor has the option to verify the Engineer's test results on split samples provided by the Engineer. Determine compliance with operational tolerances listed in accordance with Table 8 for all sublots. Take immediate corrective action if the Engineer's laboratory-molded density on any subplot is less than 95.0% or greater than 98.0% when using the SGC or less than 96.5% or greater than 98.5% when using the TGC, to bring

the mixture within these tolerances. The Engineer may suspend operations if the Contractor's corrective actions do not produce acceptable results. The Engineer will allow production to resume when the proposed corrective action is likely to yield acceptable results.

The Engineer may allow alternate methods for determining the asphalt binder content and aggregate gradation if the aggregate mineralogy is such that [Tex-236-F](#), Part I does not yield reliable results. Provide evidence that results from [Tex-236-F](#), Part I are not reliable before requesting permission to use an alternate method unless otherwise directed. Use the applicable test procedure as directed if an alternate test method is allowed.

Table 13
Production and Placement Testing Frequency

Description	Test Method	Min Contractor Testing	Min Engineer Testing
Individual % retained for #8 sieve and larger	Tex-200-F or Tex-236-F	1 per subplot	1 per 12 sublots ¹
Individual % retained for sieves smaller than #8 and larger than #200			
% passing the #200 sieve			
Laboratory-molded density	Tex-207-F	N/A	1 per subplot ¹
Laboratory-molded bulk specific gravity			
VMA			
Moisture content	Tex-212-F , Part II	When directed	
Theoretical maximum specific (Rice) gravity	Tex-227-F , Part II	N/A	1 per subplot ¹
Asphalt binder content ²	Tex-236-F , Part I	1 per subplot	1 per lot ¹
Overlay test ³	Tex-248-F	N/A	1 per project
Hamburg Wheel test	Tex-242-F	N/A	1 per project
Thermal profile	Tex-244-F	1 per subplot ^{4,5,6}	1 per project ⁵
Asphalt binder sampling and testing	Tex-500-C , Part II	1 per lot (sample only) ⁷	1 per project
Tack coat sampling and testing	Tex-500-C , Part III	N/A	1 per project
Boil test ⁸	Tex-530-C	1 per subplot ⁹	1 per project
Water flow	Tex-246-F		
Methylene blue test ¹⁰	Tex-252-F	1 per project (sample only)	1 per project

1. For production defined in Section 3081.4.9.4., "Exempt Production," the Engineer will test one per day if 100 ton or more are produced. For Exempt Production, no testing is required with less than 100 ton are produced.
2. May be obtained from asphalt flow meter readout as determined by the Engineer.
3. Testing performed by the Materials and Tests Division on sample obtained from Lot 2 or higher.
4. To be performed in the presence of the Engineer when a thermal camera is used, unless otherwise approved.
5. Not required when a thermal imaging system is used.
6. When using the thermal imaging system, the test report must include the temperature measurements taken in accordance with [Tex-244-F](#).
7. Obtain samples witnessed by the Engineer. The Engineer will retain these samples for 1 yr.
8. When shown on the plans.
9. To be performed in the presence of the Engineer, unless otherwise directed.
10. Testing performed by the Materials and Tests Division for informational purposes only.

4.9.2.4. **Operational Tolerances.** Control the production process within the operational tolerances in accordance with Table 8. When production is suspended, the Engineer will allow production to resume when test results or other information indicates the next mixture produced will be within the operational tolerances.

4.9.2.4.1. **Gradation.** Suspend operation and take corrective action if any aggregate is retained on the maximum sieve size in accordance with Table 6. A subplot is defined as out of tolerance if either the Engineer's or the Contractor's test results are out of operational tolerance. Suspend production when test results for gradation exceed the operational tolerances in accordance with Table 8 for three consecutive sublots on the same sieve or four consecutive sublots on any sieve unless otherwise directed. The consecutive sublots may be from more than one lot.

4.9.2.4.2. **Asphalt Binder Content.** A subplot is defined as out of operational tolerance if either the Engineer's or the Contractor's test results exceed the values in accordance with Table 8. Suspend production when two or

more sublots within a lot are out of operational tolerance or below the minimum asphalt binder content specified in accordance with Table 6 unless otherwise directed. Suspend production and shipment of mixture if the Engineer's or Contractor's asphalt binder content deviates from the current JMF by more than 0.5% for any subplot or is less than the minimum asphalt content allowed in accordance with Table 6.

- 4.9.2.4.3. **Voids in Mineral Aggregates (VMA).** The Engineer will determine the VMA for every subplot. For sublots when the Engineer does not determine asphalt binder content, the Engineer will use the asphalt binder content results from QC testing performed by the Contractor to determine VMA.

Take immediate corrective action if the VMA value for any subplot is less than the minimum VMA requirement for production in accordance with Table 6. Suspend production and shipment of the mixture if the Engineer's VMA results on two consecutive sublots are below the minimum VMA requirement for production in accordance with Table 6.

Suspend production and shipment of the mixture if the Engineer's VMA result is more than 0.5% below the minimum VMA requirement for production in accordance with Table 6. In addition to suspending production, the Engineer may require removal and replacement or may allow the subplot to be left in place without payment.

- 4.9.2.4.4. **Hamburg Wheel.** The Engineer may perform a Hamburg Wheel on plant produced mixture at any time during production. In addition to testing production samples, the Engineer may obtain cores and perform the Hamburg Wheel test on any area of the roadway where rutting is observed. Suspend production until further Hamburg Wheel meet the specified values when the production or core samples fail to meet the Hamburg Wheel criteria in accordance with Table 7. Core samples, if taken, will be obtained from the center of the finished mat or other areas excluding the vehicle wheel paths. The Engineer may require up to the entire subplot of any mixture failing the Hamburg Wheel to be removed and replaced at the Contractor's expense.

If the Department's or Department-approved laboratory's Hamburg Wheel test results in a "remove and replace" condition, the Contractor may request that the Department confirm the results by re-testing the failing material. The Materials and Tests Division will perform the Hamburg Wheel and determine the final disposition of the material in question based on the Department's test results.

- 4.9.2.5. **Individual Loads of Hot-Mix.** The Engineer can reject individual truckloads of hot-mix. When a load of hot-mix is rejected for reasons other than temperature, contamination, or excessive uncoated particles, the Contractor may request that the rejected load be tested. Make this request within 4 hr. of rejection. The Engineer will sample and test the mixture. If test results are within the operational tolerances in accordance with Table 8, payment will be made for the load. If test results are not within operational tolerances, no payment will be made for the load.

- 4.9.3. **Placement Acceptance.**

- 4.9.3.1. **Placement Lot.** A placement lot consists of four placement sublots. A placement subplot consists of the area placed during a production subplot.

- 4.9.3.1.1. **Recovered Asphalt Dynamic Shear Rheometer (DSR).** The Engineer may take production samples or cores from suspect areas of the project to determine recovered asphalt properties. Asphalt binders with an aging ratio greater than 3.5 do not meet the requirements for recovered asphalt properties and may be deemed defective when tested and evaluated by the Materials and Tests Division. The aging ratio is the DSR value of the extracted binder divided by the DSR value of the original unaged binder. Obtain DSR values in accordance with AASHTO T 315 at the specified high temperature performance grade of the asphalt. The Engineer may require removal and replacement of the defective material at the Contractor's expense. The asphalt binder will be recovered for testing from production samples or cores in accordance with [Tex-211-F](#).

- 4.9.3.1.2. **Irregularities.** Identify and correct irregularities including segregation, rutting, raveling, flushing, fat spots, mat slippage, irregular color, irregular texture, roller marks, tears, gouges, streaks, uncoated aggregate particles, or broken aggregate particles. The Engineer may also identify irregularities, and in such cases, the Engineer will promptly notify the Contractor. The Engineer may require the Contractor to remove and replace (at the

Contractor's expense) areas of the pavement that contain irregularities if the Engineer determines that the irregularity will adversely affect pavement performance. The Engineer may also require the Contractor to remove and replace (at the Contractor's expense) areas where the mixture does not bond to the existing pavement.

The Engineer may require the Contractor to immediately suspend operations if irregularities are detected or may allow the Contractor to continue operations for no more than one day while the Contractor is taking appropriate corrective action.

4.9.4. **Exempt Production.** When the anticipated daily production is less than 100 ton, all QC and QA sampling and testing are waived. The Engineer may deem the mixture as exempt production for the following conditions:

- anticipated daily production is more than 100 ton but less than 250 ton;
- total production for the project is less than 2,500 ton;
- when mutually agreed between the Engineer and the Contractor; or
- when shown on the plans.

For exempt production, the Contractor is relieved of all production and placement sampling and testing requirements. All other specification requirements apply, and the Engineer will perform acceptance tests for production and placement in accordance with Table 13.

For exempt production:

- produce, haul, place, and compact the mixture as directed by the Engineer; and
- control mixture production to yield a laboratory-molded density that is within $\pm 1.0\%$ of the target density as tested by the Engineer.

4.9.5. **Ride Quality.** Measure ride quality in accordance with Item 585, "Ride Quality for Pavement Surfaces," unless otherwise shown on the plans.

5. MEASUREMENT

5.1. **TOM Hot-Mix Asphalt.** TOM hot-mix will be measured by the ton of composite mixture, which includes asphalt, aggregate, and additives. Measure the weight on scales in accordance with Item 520, "Weighing and Measuring Equipment."

5.2. **Tack Coat.** Tack coat will be measured at the applied temperature by strapping the tank before and after road application and determining the net volume in gallons from the calibrated distributor. The Engineer will witness all strapping operations for volume determination. All tack, including emulsions, will be measured by the gallon applied.

The Engineer may allow the use of a metering device to determine asphalt volume used and application rate if the device is accurate within 1.5% of the strapped volume.

6. PAYMENT

The work performed and materials furnished in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under Section 3081.5.1., "TOM Hot-Mix Asphalt," will be paid for at the unit bid price for "Thin Overlay Mixture" of the mixture type, SAC, and binder specified. These prices are full compensation for surface preparation, removing pavement marking and markers, materials, placement, equipment, labor, tools, and incidentals.

The work performed and materials furnished in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under Section 3081.5.2., "Tack Coat," will be paid for at the unit bid price for "Tack Coat" of the tack coat provided. These prices are full compensation for materials, placement, equipment, labor, tools, and incidentals.

Trial batches will not be paid for unless they are included in pavement work approved by the Department.

Payment adjustment for ride quality will be determined in accordance with Item 585, "Ride Quality for Pavement Surfaces."

Special Specification 3082

Thin Bonded Friction Courses



1. DESCRIPTION

Construct a hot-mix asphalt (HMA) surface course composed of a warm spray-applied polymer modified emulsion membrane followed immediately with a compacted permeable mixture of aggregate, asphalt binder, and additives mixed hot in a mixing plant.

2. MATERIALS

Furnish uncontaminated materials of uniform quality that meet the requirements of the plans and specifications.

Notify the Engineer of all material sources and before changing any material source or formulation. The Engineer will verify that the specification requirements are met when the Contractor makes a source or formulation change, and may require a new laboratory mixture design, trial batch, or both. The Engineer may sample and test project materials at any time during the project to verify specification compliance in accordance with Item 6, "Control of Materials."

- 2.1. **Aggregate.** Furnish aggregates from sources that conform to the requirements shown in Table 1 and as specified in this Section. Aggregate requirements in this Section, including those shown in Table 1, may be modified or eliminated when shown on the plans. Additional aggregate requirements may be specified when shown on the plans. Provide aggregate stockpiles that meet the definitions in this Section for coarse or fine aggregate. Do not use intermediate or fine aggregate in PFC mixtures. Supply aggregates that meet the definitions in [Tex-100-E](#) for crushed gravel or crushed stone. The Engineer will designate the plant or the quarry as the sampling location. Provide samples from materials produced for the project. The Engineer will establish the Surface Aggregate Classification (SAC) and perform Los Angeles abrasion, magnesium sulfate soundness, and Micro-Deval tests. Perform all other aggregate quality tests listed in accordance with Table 1. Document all test results on the mixture design report. The Engineer may perform tests on independent or split samples to verify Contractor test results. Stockpile aggregates for each source and type separately. Determine aggregate gradations for mixture design and production testing based on the washed sieve analysis given in [Tex-200-F](#), Part II.

- 2.1.1. **Coarse Aggregate.** Coarse aggregate stockpiles must have no more than 20% material passing the No. 8 sieve. Aggregates from sources listed in the Department's *Bituminous Rated Source Quality Catalog* (BRSQC) are preapproved for use. Use only the rated values for hot-mix listed in the BRSQC. Rated values for surface treatment (ST) do not apply to coarse aggregate sources used in hot-mix asphalt.

For sources not listed on the Department's BRSQC:

- build an individual stockpile for each material;
- request the Department test the stockpile for specification compliance;
- approved only when tested by the Engineer;
- once approved, do not add material to the stockpile unless otherwise approved; and
- allow 30 calendar days for the Engineer to sample, test, and report results.

Provide coarse aggregate with at least the minimum SAC shown on the plans. SAC requirements only apply to aggregates used on the surface of travel lanes, unless otherwise shown on the plans. SAC requirements apply to aggregates used on surfaces other than travel lanes when shown on the plans. The SAC for sources on the Department's *Aggregate Quality Monitoring Program* (AQMP) ([Tex-499-A](#)) is listed in the BRSQC.

- 2.1.1.1. **Blending Class A and Class B Aggregates.** To prevent crushing of the Class B aggregate when blending, Class B aggregate may be blended with a Class A aggregate to meet requirements for Class A materials if the Department's BRSQC rated source soundness magnesium (RSSM) rating for the Class B aggregate is less than the Class A aggregate or if the RSSM rating for the Class B aggregate is less than or equal to 10%. Use the rated values for hot mix asphaltic concrete (HMAC) published in the BRSQC. When blending Class A and B aggregates to meet a Class A requirement, ensure that at least 50% by weight, or volume if required, of all the aggregates used in the mixture design retained on the No. 4 sieve comes from the Class A aggregate source, unless otherwise shown on the plans. Blend by volume if the bulk specific gravities of the Class A and B aggregates differ by more than 0.300. Class B aggregate may be disallowed when shown on the plans.

The Engineer may perform tests at any time during production, when the Contractor blends Class A and B aggregates to meet a Class A requirement, to ensure that at least 50% by weight, or volume if required, of the material retained on the No. 4 sieve comes from the Class A aggregate source. The Engineer will use the Department's mix design template, when electing to verify conformance, to calculate the percent of Class A aggregate retained on the No. 4 sieve by inputting the bin percentages shown from readouts in the control room at the time of production and stockpile gradations measured at the time of production. The Engineer may determine the gradations based on either washed or dry sieve analysis from samples obtained from individual aggregate cold feed bins or aggregate stockpiles. The Engineer may perform spot checks using the gradations supplied by the Contractor on the mixture design report as an input for the template; however, a failing spot check will require confirmation with a stockpile gradation determined by the Engineer.

- 2.1.1.2. **Micro-Deval Abrasion.** The Engineer will perform a minimum of one Micro-Deval abrasion test in accordance with [Tex-461-A](#) for each coarse aggregate source used in the mixture design that has a Rated Source Soundness Magnesium (RSSM) loss value greater than 15 as listed in the BRSQC, unless otherwise directed. The Engineer will perform testing before the start of production and may perform additional testing at any time during production. The Engineer may obtain the coarse aggregate samples from each coarse aggregate source or may require the Contractor to obtain the samples. The Engineer may waive all Micro-Deval testing based on a satisfactory test history of the same aggregate source.

The Engineer will estimate the magnesium sulfate soundness loss for each coarse aggregate source, when tested, using the following formula:

$$Mg_{est.} = (RSSM)(MD_{act.}/RSMD)$$

where:

$Mg_{est.}$ = magnesium sulfate soundness loss

$RSSM$ = Rated Source Soundness Magnesium

$MD_{act.}$ = actual Micro-Deval percent loss

$RSMD$ = Rated Source Micro-Deval

When the estimated magnesium sulfate soundness loss is greater than the maximum magnesium sulfate soundness loss specified, the coarse aggregate source will not be allowed for use unless otherwise approved. The Engineer will consult the Soils and Aggregates Section of the Materials and Tests Division, and additional testing may be required before granting approval.

- 2.1.2. **Fine Aggregate.** Fine aggregates consist of manufactured sands and screenings. Fine aggregate stockpiles must meet the fine aggregate properties in accordance with Table 1 and the gradation requirements in accordance with Table 2. Supply fine aggregates that are free from organic impurities. The Engineer may test the fine aggregate in accordance with [Tex-408-A](#) to verify the material is free from organic impurities. Do not use field sand or other uncrushed fine aggregate. Use fine aggregate from coarse aggregate sources that meet the requirements shown in accordance with Table 1 unless otherwise approved.

Table 1
Coarse Aggregate Quality Requirements

Property	Test Method	Requirement
SAC	Tex-499-A (AQMP)	As shown on the plans
Deleterious material, %, Max	Tex-217-E, Part I	1.0
Decantation, %, Max	Tex-217-E, Part II	1.5
Micro-Deval abrasion, %	Tex-461-A	Note ¹
Los Angeles abrasion, %, Max	Tex-410-A	30
Magnesium sulfate soundness, 5 cycles, %, Max	Tex-411-A	20
Crushed face count ² , %, Min	Tex-460-A, Part I	95
Flat and elongated particles @ 5:1, %, Max	Tex-280-F	10
Fine Aggregate Properties		
Sand Equivalent, %, Min	Tex-203-F	45
Methylene Blue, mg/g, Max	Tex-252-F	10.0

- Used to estimate the magnesium sulfate soundness loss in accordance with section 3082.2.1.1.2., "Micro-Deval Abrasion."
- Only applies to crushed gravel.

Table 2
Gradation Requirements for Fine Aggregate

Sieve Size	% Passing by Weight or Volume
3/8"	100
#8	70–100
#200	0–30

- 2.2. **Mineral Filler.** Mineral filler consists of finely divided mineral matter such as agricultural lime, crusher fines, or hydrated lime. Fly ash is not allowed unless otherwise shown on the plans. Mineral filler is allowed unless otherwise shown on the plans. Use no more than 2% hydrated lime, unless otherwise shown on the plans. Test all mineral fillers except hydrated lime and fly ash in accordance with [Tex-252-F](#) to ensure specification compliance. The plans may require or disallow specific mineral fillers. Provide mineral filler, when used, that:
- is sufficiently dry, free-flowing, and free from clumps and foreign matter as determined by the Engineer;
 - does not exceed 3% linear shrinkage when tested in accordance with [Tex-107-E](#); and
 - meets the gradation requirements in accordance with Table 3, unless otherwise shown on the plans.

Table 3
Gradation Requirements for Mineral Filler

Sieve Size	% Passing by Weight or Volume
#8	100
#200	55–100

- 2.3. **Baghouse Fines.** Fines collected by the baghouse or other dust-collecting equipment may be reintroduced into the mixing drum.
- 2.4. **Asphalt Binder.** Furnish the type and grade of binder specified on the plans that meets the requirements of Item 300, "Asphalts, Oils, and Emulsions."
- 2.4.1. **Performance-Graded (PG) Binder.** Provide an asphalt binder with a high-temperature grade of PG 76 and low-temperature grade as shown on the plans in accordance with Section 300.2.10., "Performance-Graded Binders," when PG binder is specified.
- 2.4.2. **Asphalt-Rubber (A-R) Binder.** Provide A-R binder that meets the Type I or Type II requirements of Section 300.2.9., "Asphalt-Rubber Binders," when A-R is specified unless otherwise shown on the plans. Use at least 15.0% by weight of Crumb Rubber Modifier (CRM) that meets the Grade B or Grade C requirements of Section 300.2.7., "Crumb Rubber Modifier," unless otherwise shown on the plans. Provide the Engineer the A-R binder blend design with the mix design (JMF1) submittal. Provide the Engineer with documentation such as the bill of lading showing the quantity of CRM used in the project unless otherwise directed.
- 2.5. **Membrane.** Provide a smooth and homogeneous polymer modified emulsion meeting the requirements in accordance with Table 4.

Table 4
Polymer Modified Emulsion Requirements

Test on Emulsion	Test Method	Min	Max
Viscosity @ 77°F, SSF	T 72	20	100
Storage Stability, ¹ %	T 59		1
Demulsibility (for anionic emulsions), 35 mL of 0.02 N CaCl ₂ , %	T 59	55	
Demulsibility (for cationic emulsions), 35 mL 0.8% Sodium dioctyl sulfosuccinate, %	T 59	55	
Sieve Test, ² %	T 59		0.05
Distillation Test: ³			
Residue by distillation, % by wt.	T 59	63	0.5
Oil portion of distillate, % by vol.			
Test on Residue from Distillation	Test Method	Min	Max
Elastic Recovery @ 50°F, 50 mm/min., %	Tex-539-C	60	
Penetration @ 77°F, 100 g, 5 sec, 0.1 mm	T 49	100	150

1. After standing undisturbed for 24 hr., the surface must be smooth, must not exhibit a white or milky colored substance, and must be a homogeneous color throughout.
2. May be required by the Engineer only when the emulsion cannot be easily applied in the field.
3. The temperature on the lower thermometer should be brought slowly to 350°F ±10°F and maintained at this temperature for 20 min. The total distillation should be complete in 60 ±5 min. from the first application of heat.

2.6. **Additives.** Provide the Engineer with documentation such as the bill of lading showing the quantity of additives used in the project unless otherwise directed.

2.6.1. **Fibers.** Provide cellulose or mineral fibers when PG binder is specified. Do not use fibers when A-R binder is specified. Submit written certification to the Engineer that the fibers proposed for use meet the requirements of DMS-9204, "Fiber Additives for Bituminous Mixtures." Fibers may be pre-blended into the binder at the asphalt supply terminal unless otherwise shown on the plans.

2.6.2. **Lime Mineral Filler.** Add lime as mineral filler at a rate of 1.0% by weight of the total dry aggregate in accordance with Item 301, "Asphalt Antistripping Agents," unless otherwise shown on the plans or waived by the Engineer based on Hamburg Wheel test results. Do not add lime directly into the mixing drum of any plant where lime is removed through the exhaust stream unless the plant has a baghouse or dust collection system that reintroduces the lime into the drum.

2.6.3. **Lime and Liquid Antistripping Agent.** When lime or a liquid antistripping agent is used, add in accordance with Item 301, "Asphalt Antistripping Agents." Do not add lime directly into the mixing drum of any plant where lime is removed through the exhaust stream unless the plant has a baghouse or dust collection system that reintroduces the lime into the drum. Lime added as mineral filler will count towards the total quantity of lime specified when the plans require lime to be added as an antistripping agent.

2.6.4. **Compaction Aid.** Compaction Aid is defined as a Department-approved chemical warm mix additive denoted as "chemical additive" on the Department's material producer list (MPL) that is used to facilitate mixing and compaction of HMA.

Compaction aid is allowed for use on all projects. Compaction aid is required when shown on the plans or as required in Section 3082.4.7.1., "Weather Conditions."

Warm mix foaming processes, denoted as "foaming process" on the Department-approved MPL, may be used to facilitate mixing and compaction of HMA; however warm mix processes are not defined as a Compaction Aid.

2.7. **Recycled Materials.** Recycled materials are not allowed for use.

3. EQUIPMENT

Provide required or necessary equipment in accordance with Item 320, "Equipment for Asphalt Concrete Pavement." When A-R binder is specified, equip the hot-mix plant with an in-line viscosity-measuring device located between the blending unit and the mixing drum. Provide a means to calibrate the asphalt mass flow meter on-site when a meter is used.

3.1. **Placement Equipment.** Provide a paver that meets all the requirements listed below.

3.1.1. **Paver.** Furnish a paver that will spray the membrane, apply the PFC mixture, and level the surface of the mat in a single pass. Configure the paver so that the mixture is placed no more than 5 sec. after the membrane is applied. Ensure the paver does not support the weight of any portion of hauling equipment other than the connection. Provide loading equipment that does not transmit vibrations or other motions to the paver that adversely affects the finished pavement quality. Equip the paver with an automatic dual longitudinal-grade control system and an automatic transverse-grade control system.

3.1.1.1. **Tractor Unit.** Supply a tractor unit that can push or propel vehicles, dumping directly into the finishing machine to obtain the desired lines and grades to eliminate any hand finishing. Equip the unit with a hitch to maintain contact between the hauling equipment's rear wheels and the finishing machine's pusher rollers while mixture is unloaded.

3.1.1.2. **Membrane Storage Tank and Distribution System.** Equip the paver with an insulated storage tank with a minimum capacity of 900 gal. Provide a metered mechanical pressure sprayer on the paver to apply a uniform membrane at the specified rate. Locate the spray bar on the paver so that the membrane is applied immediately in front of the screed unit. Provide a read-out device on the paver to monitor the membrane application rate.

Furnish a volumetric calibration and strap stick for the tank in accordance with [Tex-922-K](#), Part I, unless otherwise directed. Calibrate the tank within the previous 5 yr. of the date first used on the project. The Engineer may verify calibration accuracy in accordance with [Tex-922-K](#), Part II.

3.1.1.3. **Screed.** Provide a variable width vibratory screed that meets Item 320, "Equipment for Asphalt Concrete Pavement."

3.1.2. **Material Transfer Device (MTD).** Provide the specified type of MTD when shown on the plans. Ensure MTDs provide a continuous, uniform mixture flow to the asphalt paver.

3.1.3. **Rollers.** Provide steel-wheel rollers meeting the requirements of Item 210, "Rolling," except provide rollers weighing a minimum of 10 ton for each roller required. Operate rollers in static (non-vibrating) mode unless otherwise allowed.

4. CONSTRUCTION

Produce, haul, place, and compact the specified paving mixture. In addition to tests required by the specification, Contractors may perform other QC tests as deemed necessary. At any time during the project, the Engineer may perform production and placement tests as deemed necessary in accordance with Item 5, "Control of the Work." Schedule and participate in a mandatory pre-paving meeting with the Engineer on or before the first day of paving unless otherwise shown on the plans.

4.1. **Certification.** Personnel certified by the Department-approved hot-mix asphalt certification program must conduct all mixture designs, sampling, and testing in accordance with Table 5. Supply the Engineer with a list of certified personnel and copies of their current certificates before beginning production and when personnel changes are made. Provide a mixture design developed and signed by a Level 2 certified specialist. Provide Level 1A certified specialists at the plant during production operations. Provide Level 1B certified specialists to conduct placement tests. Provide AGG101 certified specialists for aggregate testing.

Table 5
Test Methods, Test Responsibility, and Minimum Certification Levels

Test Description	Test Method	Contractor	Engineer	Level ¹
1. Aggregate Testing				
Sampling	Tex-221-F	✓	✓	1A/AGG101
Dry sieve	Tex-200-F , Part I	✓	✓	1A/AGG101
Washed sieve	Tex-200-F , Part II	✓	✓	1A/AGG101
Deleterious material	Tex-217-F , Parts I & III	✓	✓	AGG101
Decantation	Tex-217-F , Part II	✓	✓	AGG101
Los Angeles abrasion	Tex-410-A		✓	Department
Magnesium sulfate soundness	Tex-411-A		✓	Department
Micro-Deval abrasion	Tex-461-A		✓	AGG101
Crushed face count	Tex-460-A	✓	✓	AGG101
Flat and elongated particles	Tex-280-F	✓	✓	AGG101
Methylene blue test	Tex-252-F		✓	Department
2. Asphalt Binder & Tack Coat Sampling				
Asphalt binder sampling	Tex-500-C , Part II	✓	✓	1A/1B
Membrane sampling	Tex-500-C , Part III	✓	✓	1A/1B
3. Mix Design & Verification				
Design and JMF changes	Tex-204-F	✓	✓	2
Mixing	Tex-205-F	✓	✓	2
Molding (SGC)	Tex-241-F	✓	✓	1A
Laboratory-molded density	Tex-207-F , Parts I, VI, & VIII	✓	✓	1A
Rice gravity	Tex-227-F , Part II	✓	✓	1A
Ignition oven correction factors ²	Tex-236-F , Part II	✓	✓	2
Drain-down	Tex-235-F	✓	✓	1A
Hamburg Wheel test	Tex-242-F	✓	✓	1A
Boil test ⁴	Tex-530-C	✓	✓	1A
Cantabro loss	Tex-245-F	✓	✓	1A
4. Production Testing				
Control charts	Tex-233-F	✓	✓	1A
Mixture sampling	Tex-222-F	✓	✓	1A/1B
Gradation & asphalt binder content ²	Tex-236-F , Part I	✓	✓	1A
Moisture content	Tex-212-F , Part II	✓	✓	1A/AGG101
Micro-Deval abrasion	Tex-461-A		✓	AGG101
Drain-down	Tex-235-F	✓	✓	1A
Boil test ⁴	Tex-530-C	✓	✓	1A
Abson recovery	Tex-211-F		✓	Department
5. Placement Testing				
Control charts	Tex-233-F	✓	✓	1A
Ride quality measurement	Tex-1001-S	✓	✓	Note 3
Thermal profile	Tex-244-F	✓	✓	1B
Water flow test	Tex-246-F	✓	✓	1B

1. Level 1A, 1B, AGG101, and 2 are certification levels provided by the Hot Mix Asphalt Center certification program.
2. Refer to Section 3082.4.5., "Production Operations," for exceptions to using an ignition oven.
3. Profiler and operator are required to be certified at the Texas A&M Transportation Institute facility when Surface Test Type B is specified.
4. When shown on the plans.

4.2.

Reporting and Responsibilities. Use Department-provided templates to record and calculate all test data, including mixture design, production and placement tests, control charts, and thermal profiles. Obtain the current version of the templates at <https://www.txdot.gov/inside-txdot/forms-publications/consultants-contractors/forms/site-manager.html> or from the Engineer. The Engineer and the Contractor will provide any available test results to the other party when requested. The Contractor and Engineer must exchange test data within the maximum allowable time in accordance with Table 6 unless otherwise approved. The Engineer and the

Contractor will immediately report to the other party any test result that requires suspension of production or placement or that fails to meet the specification requirements. Record and electronically submit all test results and pertinent information on Department-provided templates.

Subsequent sublots placed after test results are available to the Contractor, which require suspension of operations, may be considered unauthorized work. Unauthorized work will be accepted or rejected at the discretion of the Engineer in accordance with Section 5.3., "Conformity with Plans, Specifications, and Special Provisions."

Table 6
Reporting Schedule

Description	Reported By	Reported To	To Be Reported Within
<i>Production Quality Control</i>			
Gradation ¹	Contractor	Engineer	1 working day of completion of the subplot
Asphalt binder content ¹			
Laboratory-molded density ¹			
Moisture content ²			
Drain-down ¹			
Boil test ⁴			
<i>Production Quality Assurance</i>			
Gradation ²	Engineer	Contractor	1 working day of completion of the subplot
Asphalt binder content ²			
Laboratory-molded density ²			
Hamburg Wheel test ³			
Boil test ⁴			
Drain-down ²			
Binder tests ³			
<i>Placement Quality Control</i>			
Thermal profile ¹	Contractor	Engineer	1 working day of completion of the lot
Water flow ¹			
Membrane application rate ²			
<i>Placement Quality Assurance</i>			
Thermal profile ²	Engineer	Contractor	1 working day of completion of the lot
Aging ratio ³			
Water flow ²			
Membrane application rate ²			

1. These tests are required on every subplot.
2. To be performed at the frequency in accordance with Table 14 or as shown on the plans.
3. To be reported as soon as the results become available.
4. When shown on the plans

Use the procedures described in [Tex-233-F](#), when directed, to plot the results of all production and placement testing. Update the control charts as soon as test results for each subplot become available. Make the control charts readily accessible at the field laboratory. The Engineer may suspend production for failure to update control charts.

- 4.3. **Quality Control Plan (QCP).** Develop and follow the QCP in detail. Obtain approval for changes to the QCP made during the project. The Engineer may suspend operations if the Contractor fails to comply with the QCP.

Submit a written QCP before the mandatory pre-paving meeting, when directed. Receive approval of the QCP before pre-paving meeting. Include the following items in the QCP:

- 4.3.1. **Project Personnel.** For project personnel, include:
- a list of individuals responsible for QC with authority to take corrective action;
 - current contact information for each individual listed; and
 - current copies of certification documents for individuals performing specified QC functions.
- 4.3.2. **Material Delivery and Storage.** For material delivery and storage, include:
- the sequence of material processing, delivery, and minimum quantities to assure continuous plant

operations;

- aggregate stockpiling procedures to avoid contamination and segregation;
- frequency, type, and timing of aggregate stockpile testing to assure conformance of material requirements before mixture production; and
- procedure for monitoring the quality and variability of asphalt binder.

4.3.3. **Production.** For production, include:

- loader operation procedures to avoid contamination in cold bins;
- procedures for calibrating and controlling cold feeds;
- procedures to eliminate debris or oversized material;
- procedures for adding and verifying rates of each applicable mixture component (e.g., aggregate, asphalt binder, lime, liquid antistripping, compaction aid, foaming process, fibers);
- procedures for reporting job control test results; and
- procedures to avoid segregation and drain-down in the silo.

4.3.4. **Loading and Transporting.** For loading and transporting, include:

- type and application method for release agents; and
- truck loading procedures to avoid segregation.

4.3.5. **Placement and Compaction.** For placement and compaction, include:

- proposed agenda for mandatory pre-paving meeting, including date and location;
- proposed paving plan (e.g., production rate, paving widths, joint offsets, and lift thicknesses);
- type and application method for release agents in the paver and on rollers, shovels, lutes, and other utensils;
- procedures for the transfer of mixture into the paver while avoiding physical and thermal segregation and preventing material spillage;
- process to balance production, delivery, paving, and compaction to achieve continuous placement operations and good ride quality;
- paver operations (e.g., speed, operation of wings, height of mixture in auger chamber) to avoid physical and thermal segregation and other surface irregularities; and
- procedures to construct quality longitudinal and transverse joints.

4.4. **Mixture Design.**

4.4.1. **Design Requirements.** Use the design procedure provided in [Tex-204-F](#), unless otherwise shown on the plans. Design the mixture to meet the requirements in accordance with Tables 1, 2, 3, 7, 8, and 9. Use a Superpave Gyration Compactor (SGC) at 50 gyrations as the design number of gyrations (Ndesign).

The Engineer will provide the mixture design when shown on the plans. The Contractor may submit a new mixture design at any time during the project. The Engineer will verify and approve all mixture designs (JMF1) before the Contractor can begin production.

Provide the Engineer with a mixture design report using the Department-provided template. Include the following items in the report:

- the combined aggregate gradation, source, specific gravity, and percent of each material used;
- the membrane application rate based on design volumetrics;
- results of all applicable tests;
- the mixing and molding temperatures;
- the signature of the Level 2 person or persons that performed the design;
- the date the mixture design was performed; and
- a unique identification number for the mixture design.

Table 7
Master Gradation Limits (% Passing by Weight or Volume)
and Laboratory Mixture Design Properties

Sieve Size	Permeable Friction Course		Thin Bonded Friction Course		
	Fine (PFC-F)	Coarse (PFC-C and PFCR-C)	Type A	Type B	Type C
3/4"	–	100.0 ¹	–	–	100 ¹
1/2"	100.0 ¹	80.0–100.0	–	100 ¹	75–100
3/8"	95.0–100.0	35.0–60.0	100 ¹	75–100	55–80
#4	20.0–55.0	1.0–20.0	35–55	22–36	22–36
#8	1.0–10.0	1.0–10.0	19–30	19–30	19–30
#16	–	–	14–25	14–24	14–24
#50	–	–	7–14	7–14	7–14
#200	1.0–4.0	1.0–4.0	4–6	4–6	4–6

1. Defined as maximum sieve size. No tolerance allowed.

Table 8
Mixture Design Properties

Mixture Property	Test Method	PG 76 Mixtures		A-R Mixtures	Thin Bonded Friction Course		
		Fine (PFC-F)	Coarse (PFC-C)	Coarse (PFCR-C)	Type A	Type B	Type C
Asphalt binder content, %	–	6.0–7.0	6.0–7.0	7.0–9.0	5.0–5.8	4.8–5.6	4.8–5.6
Film thickness, microns	–	–	–	–	9.0 Min	9.0 Min	9.0 Min
Design gyrations (Ndesign)	Tex-241-F	50	50	50	50	50	50
Laboratory-molded density, %	Tex-207-F	78.0 Max	82.0 Max	82.0 Max	92.0 Max	92.0 Max	92.0 Max
Hamburg Wheel test, ¹ passes at 12.5 mm rut depth	Tex-242-F	10,000 Min	Note 2	Note 2	Note 2	Note 2	Note 2
Drain-down, %	Tex-235-F	0.10 Max	0.10 Max	0.10 Max	0.10 Max	0.10 Max	0.10 Max
Fiber content, % by wt. of total PG 76 mixture	Calculated	0.20–0.50	0.20–0.50	–	–	–	–
Lime content, % by wt. of total aggregate	Calculated	1.0 ³	1.0 ³	–	Note 4	Note 4	Note 4
CRM content, % by wt. of A-R binder	Calculated	–	–	15.0 Min	–	–	–
Boil test ⁵	Tex-530-C	–	–	–	–	–	–
Cantabro loss, %	Tex-245-F	20.0 Max	20.0 Max	20.0 Max	20.0 Max	20.0 Max	20.0 Max

1. Mold test specimens to Ndesign at the optimum asphalt binder content.
2. No specification value is required unless otherwise shown on the plans.
3. Unless otherwise shown on the plans or waived by the Engineer based on Hamburg Wheel results.
4. Lime may be required when shown on the plans.
5. When shown on the plans. Used to establish baseline for comparison to production results.

4.4.2. **Job-Mix Formula Approval.** The job-mix formula (JMF) is the combined aggregate gradation, Ndesign level, and target asphalt percentage used to establish target values for hot-mix production. JMF1 is the original laboratory mixture design used to produce the trial batch. When a compaction aid or foaming process is used, JMF1 may be designed and submitted to the Engineer without including the compaction aid or foaming process. When a compaction aid or foaming process is used, document the compaction aid or foaming process used and recommended rate on the JMF1 submittal. The Engineer and the Contractor will verify JMF1 based on plant-produced mixture from the trial batch unless otherwise approved. The Engineer may accept an existing mixture design previously used on a Department project and may waive the trial batch to verify JMF1. The Department may require the Contractor to reimburse the Department for verification tests if more than two trial batches per design are required.

4.4.2.1. **Contractor's Responsibilities.**

4.4.2.1.1. **Providing Superpave Gyratory Compactor.** Furnish an SGC calibrated in accordance with [Tex-241-F](#) for molding production samples. Locate the SGC at the Engineer's field laboratory or make the SGC available to the Engineer for use in molding production samples.

4.4.2.1.2. **Gyratory Compactor Correlation Factors.** Use [Tex-206-F](#), Part II, to perform a gyratory compactor

correlation when the Engineer uses a different SGC. Apply the correlation factor to all subsequent production test results.

- 4.4.2.1.3. **Submitting JMF1.** Furnish a mix design report (JMF1) with representative samples of all component materials and request approval to produce the trial batch. Provide an additional 25 lb. of the design mixture if opting to have the Department perform the Hamburg Wheel test on the laboratory mixture when required in accordance with Table 8, and request that the Department perform the test.
- 4.4.2.1.4. **Supplying Aggregates.** Provide approximately 40 lb. of each aggregate stockpile unless otherwise directed.
- 4.4.2.1.5. **Supplying Asphalt.** Provide at least 1 gal. of the asphalt material and enough quantities of any additives proposed for use.
- 4.4.2.1.6. **Ignition Oven Correction Factors.** Determine the aggregate and asphalt correction factors from the ignition oven in accordance with [Tex-236-F](#), Part II. Provide correction factors that are not more than 12 mo. old. Note that the asphalt content correction factor takes into account the percent fibers in the mixture so that the fibers are excluded from the binder content determination. Provide the Engineer with split samples of the mixtures before the trial batch production, including all additives (except water), and blank samples used to determine the correction factors for the ignition oven used for quality assurance testing during production. Correction factors established from a previously approved mixture design may be used for the current mixture design if the mixture design and ignition oven are the same as previously used and the correction factors are not more than 12 mo. old, unless otherwise directed.
- 4.4.2.1.7. **Boil Test.** When shown on the plans, perform the test and retain the tested sample from [Tex-530-C](#) until completion of the project or as directed. Use this sample for comparison purposes during production. Add lime or liquid antistripping agent as directed if signs of stripping exist.
- 4.4.2.1.8. **Trial Batch Production.** Provide a plant-produced trial batch upon receiving conditional approval of JMF1 and authorization to produce a trial batch, including the compaction aid or foaming process, if applicable, for verification testing of JMF1 and development of JMF2. Produce a trial batch mixture that meets the requirements in accordance with Table 9. The Engineer may accept test results from recent production of the same mixture instead of a new trial batch.
- 4.4.2.1.9. **Trial Batch Production Equipment.** Use only equipment and materials proposed for use on the project to produce the trial batch. Provide documentation to verify the calibration or accuracy of the asphalt mass flow meter to measure the binder content. Verify that asphalt mass flow meter meets the requirements of 0.4 % accuracy, when required, in accordance with Item 520, "Weighing and Measuring Equipment." The Engineer may require that the accuracy of the mass flow meter be verified based on quantities used.
- 4.4.2.1.10. **Trial Batch Quantity.** Produce enough quantity of the trial batch to ensure that the mixture meets the specification requirements.
- 4.4.2.1.11. **Number of Trial Batches.** Produce trial batches as necessary to obtain a mixture that meets the specification requirements.
- 4.4.2.1.12. **Trial Batch Sampling.** Obtain a representative sample of the trial batch and split it into three equal portions in accordance with [Tex-222-F](#). Label these portions as "Contractor," "Engineer," and "Referee." Deliver samples to the appropriate laboratory as directed.
- 4.4.2.1.13. **Trial Batch Testing.** Test the trial batch to ensure the mixture produced using the proposed JMF1 meets the mixture requirements in accordance with Table 9. Ensure the trial batch mixture is also in compliance with the requirements in accordance with Tables 7 and 8. Use a Department-approved laboratory listed on the MPL to perform the Hamburg Wheel test on the trial batch mixture or request that the Department perform the Hamburg Wheel test. The Engineer will be allowed 10 working days to provide the Contractor with Hamburg Wheel test results on the trial batch. Provide the Engineer with a copy of the trial batch test results.
- 4.4.2.1.14. **Development of JMF2.** Evaluate the trial batch test results, determine the target mixture proportions, and

submit as JMF2 after the Engineer grants full approval of JMF1 based on results from the trial batch. Verify that JMF2 meets the mixture requirements in accordance with Table 9.

4.4.2.1.15. **Mixture Production.** After receiving approval for JMF2, use JMF2 to produce Lot 1.

4.4.2.1.16. **Development of JMF3.** Evaluate the test results from Lot 1, determine the optimum mixture proportions, and submit as JMF3 for use in Lot 2.

4.4.2.1.17. **JMF Adjustments.** If JMF adjustments are necessary to achieve the specified requirements, make the adjustments before beginning a new lot. The adjusted JMF must:

- be provided to the Engineer in writing before the start of a new lot;
- be numbered in sequence to the previous JMF;
- meet the master gradation limits in accordance with Table 7
- meet the binder content limits in accordance with Table 8; and
- be within the operational tolerances of JMF2 in accordance with Table 9.

4.4.2.1.18. **Requesting Referee Testing.** Use referee testing, if needed, in accordance with Section 3082.4.9.1., "Referee Testing," to resolve testing differences with the Engineer.

Table 9
Operational Tolerances

Test Description	Test Method	Allowable Difference between JMF2 and JMF1 Target ¹	Allowable Difference from Current JMF and JMF2 ²	Allowable Difference between Contractor and Engineer ³
Individual % retained for sieve sized larger than #200	Tex-200-F	Must be Within Master Grading Limits in accordance with Table 7	±3.0 ⁴	±5.0 ⁴
% passing the #200 sieve			±2.0 ⁴	±3.0 ⁴
Laboratory-molded density, %	Tex-207-F , Part VIII	±1.0	±1.0	±1.0
Asphalt binder content, %	Tex-236-F , Part I ⁵	±0.3 ^{6,7}	±0.3 ^{4,6,7}	±0.3 ^{6,7}
Drain-down, %	Tex-235-F	Note 8	Note 8	N/A
Boil test	Tex-530-C	Note 9	Note 9	N/A
Membrane application rate	Tex-247-F	±0.02	±0.02	N/A

1. JMF1 is the approved laboratory mixture design used for producing the trial batch. JMF2 is the approved mixture design developed from the trial batch used to produce Lot 1.
2. Current JMF is JMF3 or higher. JMF3 is the approved mixture design used to produce Lot 2.
3. Contractor may request referee testing only when values exceed these tolerances.
4. Only applies to mixture produced for Lot 1 and higher. Aggregate gradation is not allowed to be outside the limits in accordance with Table 7.
5. Ensure the binder content determination excludes fibers.
6. May be obtained from asphalt mass flow meter readouts as determined by the Engineer.
7. Binder content is not allowed to be outside the limits shown in Table 8.
8. Verify that Table 8 requirements are met.
9. When shown on the plans.

4.4.2.2. **Engineer's Responsibilities.**

4.4.2.2.1. **Superpave Gyratory Compactor.** The Engineer will use a Department SGC calibrated in accordance with [Tex-241-F](#) to mold samples for laboratory mixture design verification. For molding trial batch and production specimens, the Engineer will use the Contractor-provided SGC at the field laboratory or provide and use a Department SGC at an alternate location.

4.4.2.2.2. **Conditional Approval of JMF1 and Authorizing Trial Batch.** The Engineer will review and verify conformance of the following information within two working days of receipt:

- the Contractor's mix design report (JMF1);
- the Contractor-provided Hamburg Wheel test results, if applicable;
- all required materials including aggregates, asphalt, and additives; and
- the mixture specifications.

The Engineer will grant the Contractor conditional approval of JMF1 if the information provided on the paper copy of JMF1 indicates that the Contractor's mixture design meets the specifications. When the Contractor does not provide Hamburg Wheel test with laboratory mixture design, 10 working days are allowed for conditional approval of JMF1. The Engineer will base full approval of JMF1 on the test results on mixture from the trial batch.

Unless waived, the Engineer will determine the Micro-Deval abrasion loss in accordance with

Section 3082.2.1.1.2., "Micro-Deval Abrasion." If the Engineer's test results are pending after two working days, conditional approval of JMF1 will still be granted within two working days of receiving JMF1. When the Engineer's test results become available, they will be used for specification compliance.

The Contractor is authorized to produce a trial batch after the Engineer grants conditional approval of JMF1.

4.4.2.2.3. **Hamburg Wheel Testing.** At the Contractor's request, the Department will perform the Hamburg Wheel test on the laboratory mixture in accordance with [Tex-242-F](#) to verify compliance with the Hamburg Wheel test requirement in accordance with Table 8. The Engineer will be allowed 10 working days to provide the Contractor with Hamburg Wheel results on the laboratory mixture design.

4.4.2.2.4. **Ignition Oven Correction Factors.** The Engineer will use the split samples provided by the Contractor to determine the aggregate and asphalt correction factors for the ignition oven used for quality assurance testing during production in accordance with [Tex-236-F](#), Part II. Provide correction factors that are not more than 12 mo. old. The Engineer will verify that the asphalt content correction factor takes into account the percent fibers in the mixture so that the fibers are excluded from the binder content determination.

4.4.2.2.5. **Testing the Trial Batch.** The Engineer will sample and test the trial batch within one full working day to ensure that the mixture meets the requirements in accordance with Table 9. If the Contractor requests the option to have the Department perform the Hamburg Wheel test on the trial batch mixture, the Engineer will mold samples in accordance with [Tex-242-F](#) to verify compliance with the Hamburg Wheel test requirement in accordance with Table 8.

The Engineer will have the option to perform [Tex-530-C](#) on the trial batch when shown on the plans. These results may be retained and used for comparison purposes during production.

4.4.2.2.6. **Full Approval of JMF1.** The Engineer will grant full approval of JMF1 and authorize the Contractor to proceed with developing JMF2 if the Engineer's results for the trial batch meet the requirements in accordance with Tables 7 and 8.

The Engineer will notify the Contractor that an additional trial batch is required if the trial batch does not meet these requirements.

4.4.2.2.7. **Approval of JMF2.** The Engineer will approve JMF2 within one working day if the mixture meets the requirements in accordance with Tables 7, 8, and 9.

4.4.2.2.8. **Approval of Lot 1 Production.** The Engineer will authorize the Contractor to proceed with Lot 1 production (using JMF2).

4.4.2.2.9. **Approval of JMF3 and Subsequent JMF Changes.** JMF3 and subsequent JMF changes are approved if they meet the master grading and asphalt binder content shown in accordance with Tables 7 and 8 and are within the operational tolerances of JMF2 in accordance with Table 9.

- 4.4.2.2.10. **Binder Content Adjustments.** For JMF2 and above, the Engineer may require the Contractor to adjust the target binder content by no more than 0.3% from the current JMF.
- 4.5. **Production Operations.** Perform a new trial batch when the plant or plant location is changed. Take corrective action and receive approval to proceed after any production suspension for noncompliance to the specification.
- 4.5.1. **Storage and Heating of Materials.** Do not heat the asphalt binder above the temperatures specified in Item 300, "Asphalts, Oils, and Emulsions," or outside the manufacturer's recommended values. Provide the Engineer with daily records of asphalt binder and hot-mix asphalt discharge temperatures (in legible and discernible increments) in accordance with Item 320, "Equipment for Asphalt Concrete Pavement," unless otherwise directed. Do not store mixture for a period long enough to affect the quality of the mixture, nor in any case longer than 12 hr. unless otherwise approved.
- 4.5.2. **Mixing and Discharge of Materials.** Notify the Engineer of the target discharge temperature and produce the mixture within 25°F of the target. Monitor the temperature of the material in the truck before shipping to ensure that it does not exceed the maximum production temperatures in accordance with Table 10. The Department will not pay for or allow placement of any mixture produced above the maximum production temperatures in accordance with Table 10.

Table 10
Maximum Production Temperature

High-Temperature Binder Grade ¹	Max Production Temperature
PG 76	345°F
A-R Binder	345°F

1. The high-temperature binder grade refers to the high-temperature grade of the virgin asphalt binder used to produce the mixture.

Control the mixing time and temperature so that substantially all moisture is removed from the mixture before discharging from the plant. Determine the moisture content, if requested, by oven-drying in accordance with [Tex-212-F](#), Part II, and verify that the mixture contains no more than 0.2% of moisture by weight. Obtain the sample immediately after discharging the mixture into the truck and perform the test promptly.

- 4.6. **Hauling Operations.** Clean all truck beds before use to ensure that mixture is not contaminated. Use a release agent shown on the Department's MPL to coat the inside bed of the truck when necessary. Do not use diesel or any release agent not shown on the Department's MPL.
- Use equipment for hauling as defined in Section 3082.4.7.3.2., "Hauling Equipment." Use other hauling equipment only when allowed.
- 4.7. **Placement Operations.** Collect haul tickets from each load of mixture delivered to the project and provide the Department's copy to the Engineer approximately every hour, or as directed. Use a hand-held thermal camera or infrared thermometer, when a thermal imaging system is not used, to measure and record the internal temperature of the mixture as discharged from the truck or Material Transfer Device (MTD) before or as the mix enters the paver and an approximate station number or GPS coordinates on each ticket. Calculate the daily yield and cumulative yield for the specified lift and provide to the Engineer at the end of paving operations for each day unless otherwise directed. The Engineer may suspend production if the Contractor fails to produce and provide haul tickets and yield calculations by the end of paving operations for each day.

Prepare the surface by removing raised pavement markers and objectionable material such as moisture, dirt, sand, leaves, and other loose impediments from the surface before placing mixture. Remove vegetation from pavement edges. Do not allow any loose mixture onto the prepared surface before application of the membrane. Place the mixture to meet the typical section requirements and produce a smooth, finished surface with a uniform appearance and texture. Offset longitudinal joints of successive courses of hot-mix by at least 6 in. Place mixture so that longitudinal joints on the surface course coincide within 6-in. of lane lines and are not placed in the wheel path, or as directed, and offset longitudinal joints of successive courses of hot-mix by at least 6-in. Ensure that all finished surfaces will drain properly.

4.7.1. **Weather Conditions.**

4.7.1.1. **When Using a Thermal Imaging System.** The Contractor may pave any time the roadway is dry and the roadway surface temperature is at least 60°F unless otherwise approved or as shown on the plans; however, the Engineer may restrict the Contractor from paving if the ambient temperature is likely to drop below 32°F within 12 hr. of paving. Place mixtures when weather conditions and moisture conditions of the roadway surface are suitable as determined by the Engineer. Provide output data from the thermal imaging system to demonstrate to the Engineer that no recurring severe thermal segregation exists in accordance with Section 3082.4.7.3.1.2., "Thermal Imaging System."

Produce mixture with a target discharge temperature higher than 300°F and with a compaction aid to facilitate compaction when the air temperature is 70°F and falling.

4.7.1.2. **When Not Using a Thermal Imaging System.** When using a thermal camera instead of the thermal imaging system, place mixture when the roadway surface temperature is at or above 70°F unless otherwise approved or as shown on the plans. Measure the roadway surface temperature with a hand-held thermal camera or infrared thermometer. Place mixtures only when weather conditions and moisture conditions of the roadway surface are suitable as determined by the Engineer. The Engineer may restrict the Contractor from paving if the air temperature is 60°F and falling.

Produce mixture with a target discharge temperature higher than 300°F and with a compaction aid to facilitate compaction when the air temperature is 70°F and falling.

4.7.2. **Application of Membrane.** Apply the membrane at the rates in accordance with Table 11 unless otherwise directed. Spray the membrane using a metered mechanical pressure spray bar at a temperature of 140°F to 180°F. Monitor the membrane application rate and make adjustments to the rate when directed. Verify that the spray bar is capable of applying the membrane at a uniform rate across the entire paving width. Apply adequate overlap of the tack coat in the longitudinal direction during placement of the mat to ensure bond of adjacent mats, unless otherwise directed. Unless otherwise directed, avoid tacking the vertical faces of adjacent PFC mats in the longitudinal direction to avoid restricting lateral drainage. Apply tack coat to all transverse joints. Do not let the wheels or other parts of the paving machine contact the freshly applied membrane. Do not dilute the membrane at the terminal, in the field, or at any other location before use. Do not allow any loose mixture onto the prepared surface before application of the membrane.

Table 11
Membrane Application Rate Limits, (Gal. per square yard)

Mix Type	Lift Thickness	Membrane Rate
Permeable Friction Course	1-1/2 in.	0.30–0.33
	1-1/4 in.	0.27–0.30
	1 in.	0.25–0.28
	3/4 in.	0.22–0.25
Thin Bonded Friction Course	3/4 in.	0.17–0.27
	5/8 in.	0.16–0.24
	1/2 in.	0.14–0.20

4.7.2.1. **Non-uniform Application of Membrane.** Stop application if it is not uniform due to streaking, ridging, pooling, or flowing off the roadway surface. Verify equipment condition including plugged nozzles on the spray bar, operating procedures, application temperature, and material properties. Determine and correct the cause of non-uniform application.

4.7.2.2. **Test Strips.** The Engineer may perform independent tests to confirm Contractor compliance and may require testing differences or failing results to be resolved before resuming production.

The Engineer may cease operations and require construction of test strips at the Contractor's expense if any of the following occurs:

- non-uniformity of application continues after corrective action;
- in three consecutive shots, application rate differs by more than 0.03 gal. per square yard from the rate

- directed; or
- any shot differs by more than 0.05 gal. per square yard from the rate directed.

The Engineer will approve the test strip location. The Engineer may require additional test strips until the membrane application meets specification requirements.

- 4.7.3. **Lay-Down Operations.** Use the placement temperature in accordance with Table 12 to establish the minimum placement temperature of the mixture delivered to the paving operation.

Table 12
Min Mixture Placement Temperature

High-Temperature Binder Grade ¹	Min Placement Temperature (Before Entering Paving Operation) ^{2,3}
PG 76	280°F
A-R Binder	280°F

1. The high-temperature binder grade refers to the high-temperature grade of the virgin asphalt binder used to produce the mixture.
2. The mixture temperature must be measured using a hand-held thermal camera or infrared thermometer nearest to the point of entry of the paving operation.
3. Minimum placement temperatures may be reduced 10°F if using a compaction aid.

- 4.7.3.1. **Thermal Profile.** Use a hand-held thermal camera or a thermal imaging system to obtain a continuous thermal profile in accordance with [Tex-244-F](#). Thermal profiles are not applicable in areas described in Section 3082.4.9.8., "Miscellaneous Areas."

- 4.7.3.1.1. **Thermal Segregation.**

- 4.7.3.1.1.1. **Moderate.** Any areas that have a temperature differential greater than 25°F, but not exceeding 50°F.

- 4.7.3.1.1.2. **Severe.** Any areas that have a temperature differential greater than 50°F.

- 4.7.3.1.2. **Thermal Imaging System.** Review the output results when a thermal imaging system is used, and provide the report described in [Tex-244-F](#) to the Engineer daily unless otherwise directed. Modify the paving process as necessary to eliminate any recurring (moderate or severe) thermal segregation identified by the thermal imaging system.

The Engineer may suspend subsequent paving operations if the Contractor cannot successfully modify the paving process to eliminate recurring severe or moderate thermal segregation.

Provide the Engineer with electronic copies of all daily data files that can be used with the thermal imaging system software to generate temperature profile plots daily or as requested by the Engineer.

- 4.7.3.1.3. **Thermal Camera.** When using the thermal camera instead of the thermal imaging system, take immediate corrective action to eliminate recurring moderate thermal segregation when a hand-held thermal camera is used. Provide the Engineer with the thermal profile of every subplot within one working day of the completion of each lot. When requested by the Engineer, provide the electronic files generated using the thermal camera. Report the results of each thermal profile in accordance with Section 3082.4.2., "Reporting and Responsibilities." The Engineer will use a hand-held thermal camera to obtain a thermal profile at least once per project unless the thermal imaging system is used. Suspend operations and take immediate corrective action to eliminate severe thermal segregation unless otherwise directed. Resume operations when the Engineer determines that subsequent production will meet the requirements of this Section.

- 4.7.3.2. **Hauling Equipment.** Use live bottom or end dump trucks to haul and transfer mixture; however, with exception of paving miscellaneous areas, end dump trucks are only allowed when used in conjunction with an MTD with remixing capability or when a thermal imaging system is used unless otherwise allowed.

- 4.7.3.3. **Screed Heaters.** Turn off screed heaters to prevent overheating of the mat if the paver stops for more than 5 min. The Engineer may evaluate the suspect area in accordance with Section 3082.4.9.9., "Recovered

Asphalt Dynamic Shear Rheometer (DSR),” if the screed heater remains on for more than 5 min. while the paver is stopped.

- 4.8. **Compaction.** Roll the freshly placed mixture with as many steel-wheeled rollers as necessary, operated in static mode, to seat the mixture without excessive breakage of the aggregate and to provide a smooth surface and uniform texture. Do not use pneumatic rollers. Use the control strip method given in [Tex-207-F](#), Part IV, to establish the rolling pattern. Moisten the roller drums thoroughly with a soap and water solution to prevent adhesion. Use only water or an approved release agent on rollers, tamps, and other compaction equipment unless otherwise directed.

For PFC mixtures, use [Tex-246-F](#) to test and verify that the compacted mixture has adequate permeability. Measure the water flow once per subplot at locations directed by the Engineer. The water flow rate should be less than 20 sec. Investigate the cause of the water flow rate test failures and take corrective actions during production and placement to ensure the water flow rate is less than 20 sec. Suspend production if two consecutive water flow rate tests fail unless otherwise approved. Resume production after the Engineer approves changes to production or placement methods.

Complete all compaction operations before the pavement temperature drops below 180°F unless otherwise allowed. The Engineer may allow compaction with a light finish roller operated in static mode for pavement temperatures below 180°F.

Allow the compacted pavement to cool to 160°F or lower before opening to traffic unless otherwise directed. Sprinkle the finished mat with water or limewater, when directed, to expedite opening the roadway to traffic.

- 4.9. **Acceptance Plan.** Sample and test the hot-mix on a lot and subplot basis.
- 4.9.1. **Referee Testing.** The Materials and Tests Division is the referee laboratory. The Contractor may request referee testing if the differences between Contractor and Engineer test results exceed the operational tolerances in accordance with Table 9 and the differences cannot be resolved. The Contractor may also request referee testing if the Engineer’s test results require suspension of production and the Contractor’s test results are within specification limits. Make the request within five working days after receiving test results and cores from the Engineer. Referee tests will be performed only on the subplot in question and only for the particular tests in question. Allow 10 working days from the time the referee laboratory receives the samples for test results to be reported. The Department may require the Contractor to reimburse the Department for referee tests if more than three referee tests per project are required and the Engineer’s test results are closer to the referee test results than the Contractor’s test results.
- 4.9.2. **Production Acceptance.**
- 4.9.2.1. **Production Lot.** A production lot consists of four equal sublots. The default quantity for Lot 1 is 1,000 ton; however, when requested by the Contractor, the Engineer may increase the quantity for Lot 1 to no more than 2,000 ton. The Engineer will select subsequent lot sizes based on the anticipated daily production such that approximately three to four sublots are produced each day. The lot size will be between 1,000 ton and 4,000 ton. The Engineer may change the lot size before the Contractor begins any lot.
- 4.9.2.1.1. **Incomplete Production Lots.** If a lot is begun but cannot be completed, such as on the last day of production or in other circumstances deemed appropriate, the Engineer may close the lot. Close all lots within five working days unless otherwise allowed.
- 4.9.2.2. **Production Sampling.**
- 4.9.2.2.1. **Mixture Sampling.** Obtain hot-mix samples from trucks at the plant in accordance with [Tex-222-F](#). The sampler will split each sample into three equal portions in accordance with [Tex-200-F](#) and label these portions as “Contractor,” “Engineer,” and “Referee.” The Engineer will perform or witness the sample splitting and take immediate possession of the samples labeled “Engineer” and “Referee.” The Engineer will maintain the custody of the samples labeled “Engineer” and “Referee” until the Department’s testing is completed.

- 4.9.2.2.1.1. **Random Sample.** At the beginning of the project, the Engineer will select random numbers for all production sublots. Determine sample locations in accordance with [Tex-225-F](#). Take one sample for each subplot at the randomly selected location. The Engineer will perform or witness the sampling of production sublots.
- 4.9.2.2.1.2. **Blind Sample.** For one subplot per lot, the Engineer will obtain and test a “blind” sample instead of the random sample collected by the Contractor. Test either the “blind” or the random sample; however, referee testing (if applicable) will be based on a comparison of results from the “blind” sample. The location of the Engineer’s “blind” sample will not be disclosed to the Contractor. The Engineer’s “blind” sample may be randomly selected in accordance with [Tex-225-F](#) for any subplot or selected at the discretion of the Engineer. The Engineer will use the Contractor’s split sample for sublots not sampled by the Engineer.
- 4.9.2.2.2. **Informational Hamburg and Overlay Testing.** Select one random subplot from Lot 2 or higher for Hamburg and Overlay testing during the first week of production. Obtain and provide the Engineer with approximately 90 lb. of mixture, sampled in accordance with [Tex-222-F](#), in sealed containers, boxes, or bags labeled with the Control-Section-Job (CSJ), mixture type, lot, and subplot number. The Engineer will ship the mixture to the Materials and Tests Division for Hamburg and Overlay testing. Results from these tests will not be used for specification compliance.
- 4.9.2.2.3. **Asphalt Binder Sampling.** Obtain a 1-qt. (1 gal. for A-R binder) sample of the asphalt binder witness by the Engineer for each lot of mixture produced. The Contractor will notify the Engineer when the sampling will occur. Obtain the sample at approximately the same time the mixture random sample is obtained. Sample from a port located immediately upstream from the mixing drum or pug mill and upstream from the introduction of any additives in accordance with [Tex-500-C](#), Part II. Label the can with the corresponding lot and subplot numbers, producer, producer facility, grade, district, date sampled, and project information including highway and CSJ. The Engineer will retain these samples for one year. The Engineer may also obtain independent samples. If obtaining an independent asphalt binder sample and upon request of the Contractor, the Engineer will split a sample of the asphalt binder with the Contractor.

At least once per project, the Engineer will collect split samples of each binder grade and source used. The Engineer will submit one split sample to the Materials and Tests Division to verify compliance with Item 300, “Asphalts, Oils, and Emulsions” and will retain the other split sample for 1 yr.

- 4.9.2.3. **Membrane Sampling.** The Engineer will obtain a 1-qt. sample of the polymer modified emulsion for each lot of mixture produced in accordance with [Tex-500-C](#), Part III. The Engineer will notify the Contractor when the sampling will occur and will witness the collection of the sample. Obtain the sample at approximately the same time the mixture random sample is obtained. Label the can with the corresponding lot and subplot numbers, producer, producer facility, grade, district, date sampled, and project information including highway and CSJ. The Engineer will retain these samples for two months.

At least once per project, the Engineer will collect split samples of the polymer modified emulsion. The Engineer will submit one split sample to the Materials and Tests Division to verify compliance with Item 300, “Asphalts, Oils, and Emulsions” and will retain the other split sample for two months. The Engineer may test as often as necessary to ensure the residual of the emulsion is greater than or equal to the specification requirement in Item 300, “Asphalts, Oils, and Emulsions.”

- 4.9.2. **Production Testing.** The Contractor and Engineer must perform production tests in accordance with Table 13. The Contractor has the option to verify the Engineer’s test results on split samples provided by the Engineer. Determine compliance with operational tolerances in accordance with Table 9 for all sublots.

At any time during production, the Engineer may require the Contractor to verify the following based on quantities used:

- lime content (within $\pm 0.1\%$ of JMF), when PG binder is specified;
- fiber content (within $\pm 0.03\%$ of JMF), when PG binder is specified; and
- CRM content (within $\pm 1.5\%$ of JMF), when A-R binder is specified.

Maintain the in-line measuring device when A-R binder is specified to verify the A-R binder viscosity between

2,500 and 4,000 centipoise at 350°F unless otherwise approved. Record A-R binder viscosity at least once per hour and provide the Engineer with a daily summary unless otherwise directed.

If the aggregate mineralogy is such that [Tex-236-F](#) Part I does not yield reliable results, the Engineer may allow alternate methods for determining the asphalt content and aggregate gradation. The Engineer will require the Contractor to provide evidence that results from [Tex-236-F](#), Part I are not reliable before permitting an alternate method unless otherwise allowed. Use the applicable test procedure as directed if an alternate test method is allowed.

Table 13
Production and Placement Testing Frequency

Description	Test Method	Min Contractor Testing Frequency	Min Engineer Testing Frequency
Individual % retained for sieve sized larger than #200	Tex-200-F	1 per subplot	1 per 12 sublots
% passing the #200 sieve			
Laboratory-molded density, %	Tex-207-E , Part VIII	1 per subplot	1 per lot
Asphalt binder content ¹ , %	Tex-236-F , Part I ²	1 per subplot	1 per lot
Drain-down, %	Tex-235-F	1 per subplot	1 per 12 sublots
Boil test ³	Tex-530-C	1 per project	1 per project
Membrane application rate	Tex-247-F	1 per lot	1 per 12 sublots
Moisture content	Tex-212-F , Part II	When directed	1 per project
Cantabro loss, %	Tex-245-F	1 per project (sample only)	1 per project
Overlay test	Tex-248-F	1 per project (sample only) ¹⁰	1 per project ⁴
Hamburg Wheel test	Tex-242-F	1 per project (sample only) ¹⁰	1 per project ⁴
Water flow test ⁵	Tex-246-F	1 per subplot	1 per project
Asphalt binder sampling	Tex-500-C , Part II	1 per lot (sample only) ⁶	1 per project
Membrane sampling and testing	Tex-500-C , Part III	N/A	1 per project
Thermal profile	Tex-244-F	1 per subplot ^{7,8,9}	1 per project ⁸

1. May be obtained from asphalt mass flow meter readouts as determined by the Engineer.
2. Ensure the binder content determination excludes fibers.
3. When shown on the plans.
4. When required according to mixture type and requirements in accordance with Table 8.
5. Only required for PFC mixtures.
6. Obtain samples witness by the Engineer. The Engineer will retain these samples for 1 yr.
7. To be performed in the presence of the Engineer when using the thermal camera, unless otherwise approved.
8. Not required when a thermal imaging system is used.
9. When using the thermal imaging system, the test report must include the temperature measurements taken in accordance with [Tex-244-F](#).
10. Testing performed by the Materials and Tests Division for informational purposes only.

4.9.3.

Operational Tolerances. Control the production process within the operational tolerances in accordance with Table 9. Suspend production and placement operations when production or placement test results exceed the tolerances in accordance with Table 9 unless otherwise allowed. The Engineer will allow suspended production to resume when test results or other information indicates the next mixture produced will be within the operational tolerances.

- 4.9.4. **Individual Loads of Hot-Mix.** The Engineer can reject individual truckloads of hot-mix. When a load of hot-mix is rejected for reasons other than temperature, contamination, or excessive uncoated particles, the Contractor may request that the rejected load be tested. Make this request within 4 hr. of rejection. The Engineer will sample and test the mixture. If test results are within the operational tolerances in accordance with Table 9, payment will be made for the load. If test results are not within operational tolerances, no payment will be made for the load.
- 4.9.5. **Placement Acceptance.**
- 4.9.6. **Placement Lot.** A placement lot consists of four placement sublots. A placement subplot consists of the area placed during a production subplot.
- 4.9.7. **Miscellaneous Areas.** Miscellaneous areas include areas that typically involve significant handwork or discontinuous paving operations such as driveways, mailbox turnouts, crossovers, gores, spot level-up areas, and other similar areas. The specified layer thickness is based on the rate of 90 lb. per square yard for each inch of pavement unless another rate is shown on the plans. Miscellaneous areas are not subject to thermal profiles testing.
- 4.9.8. **Recovered Asphalt Dynamic Shear Rheometer (DSR).** The Engineer may take production samples or cores from suspect areas of the project to determine recovered asphalt properties. Asphalt binders with an aging ratio greater than 3.5 do not meet the requirements for recovered asphalt properties and may be deemed defective when tested and evaluated by the Materials and Tests Division. The aging ratio is the DSR value of the extracted binder divided by the DSR value of the original unaged binder. Obtain DSR values in accordance with AASHTO T 315 at the specified high temperature performance grade of the asphalt. The Engineer may require removal and replacement of the defective material at the Contractor's expense. The asphalt binder will be recovered for testing from production samples or cores in accordance with [Tex-211-F](#).
- 4.9.9. **Irregularities.** Identify and correct irregularities including segregation, rutting, raveling, flushing, fat spots, mat slippage, irregular color, irregular texture, roller marks, tears, gouges, streaks, uncoated aggregate particles, or broken aggregate particles. The Engineer may also identify irregularities, and in such cases, the Engineer will promptly notify the Contractor. If the Engineer determines that the irregularity will adversely affect pavement performance, the Engineer may require the Contractor to remove and replace (at the Contractor's expense) areas of the pavement that contain irregularities. The Engineer may also require the Contractor to remove and replace (at the Contractor's expense) areas where the mixture does not bond to the existing pavement.
- If irregularities are detected, the Engineer may require the Contractor to immediately suspend operations or may allow the Contractor to continue operations for no more than one day while the Contractor is taking appropriate corrective action.
- 4.9.10. **Exempt Production.** When the anticipated daily production is less than 100 ton, all QC and QA sampling and testing are waived. The Engineer may deem the mixture as exempt production for the following conditions:
- anticipated daily production is more than 100 ton but less than 250 ton;
 - total production for the project is less than 2,500 ton;
 - when mutually agreed between the Engineer and the Contractor; or
 - when shown on the plans.
- For exempt production, the Contractor is relieved of all production and placement sampling and testing requirements. All other specification requirements apply, and the Engineer will perform acceptance tests for production and placement in accordance with Table 13.
- For exempt production:
- produce, haul, place, and compact the mixture as directed by the Engineer; and
 - control mixture production to yield a laboratory-molded density that is within $\pm 1.0\%$ of the target density as tested by the Engineer.

- 4.9.11. **Ride Quality.** Measure ride quality in accordance with Item 585, "Ride Quality for Pavement Surfaces," unless otherwise shown on the plans.

5. MEASUREMENT

- 5.1. **PFC Hot-Mix Asphalt.** Permeable friction course (PFC) hot-mix will be measured by the ton of composite mixture, which includes asphalt, aggregate, and additives. Measure the weight on scales in accordance with Item 520, "Weighing and Measuring Equipment."
- 5.2. **TBFC Hot-Mix Asphalt.** Thin bonded friction course (TBFC) hot-mix will be measured by the ton of composite mixture, which includes asphalt, aggregate, and additives. Measure the weight on scales in accordance with Item 520, "Weighing and Measuring Equipment."
- 5.3. **Membrane.** Membrane material will be measured by volume. Membrane material will be measured at the applied temperature by strapping the tank before and after road application and determining the net volume in gallons from the distributor's calibrated strap stick. The Engineer will witness all operations for volume determination. All membrane will be measured by the gallon applied, in the accepted membrane.

6. PAYMENT

The work performed and materials furnished in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under Section 3082.5.1., "PFC Hot-Mix Asphalt," will be paid for at the unit bid price for "Permeable friction course" of the mixture type, SAC, and binder specified. These prices are full compensation for surface preparation, removing pavement marking and markers, materials, placement, equipment, labor, tools, and incidentals.

The work performed and materials furnished in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under Section 3082.5.2., "TBFC Hot-Mix Asphalt," will be paid for at the unit bid price for "Thin bonded friction course" of the mixture type, SAC, and binder specified. These prices are full compensation for surface preparation, removing pavement marking and markers, materials, placement, equipment, labor, tools, and incidentals.

The work performed and materials furnished in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under Section 3082.5.3., "Membrane," will be paid for at the unit bid price for "Membrane" of the membrane material provided. These prices are full compensation for materials, placement, equipment, labor, tools, and incidentals.

Trial batches will not be paid for unless they are included in pavement work approved by the Department.

Payment adjustment for ride quality will be determined in accordance with Item 585, "Ride Quality for Pavement Surfaces."

Special Specification 3096

Asphalts, Oils, and Emulsions



1. DESCRIPTION

Provide asphalt cements, cutback and emulsified asphalts, performance-graded asphalt binders, and other miscellaneous asphalt materials as specified on the plans.

2. MATERIALS

Provide asphalt materials that meet the stated requirements when tested in conformance with the referenced Department, AASHTO, and ASTM test methods. Use asphalt containing recycled materials only if the recycled components meet the requirements of Article 6.9., "Recycled Materials." Provide asphalt materials that the Department has preapproved for use in accordance with [Tex-545-C](#), "Asphalt Binder Quality Program."

Inform the Department of all additives or modifiers included in the asphalt binder as part of the facility quality plan, as required by [Tex-545-C](#), "Asphalt Binder Quality Program," and provide that information to Department personnel. The Department reserves the right to prohibit the use of any asphalt additive or modifier.

Limit the use of polyphosphoric acid to no more than 0.5% by weight of the asphalt binder.

The use of re-refined engine oil bottoms is prohibited.

Acronyms used in this Item are defined in Table 1.

Table 1
Acronyms

Acronym	Definition
Test Procedure Designations	
Tex T or R D	Department AASHTO ASTM
Polymer Modifier Designations	
P SBR or L SBS TR	polymer-modified styrene-butadiene rubber (latex) styrene-butadiene-styrene block co-polymer tire rubber (from ambient temperature grinding of truck and passenger tires)
AC	asphalt cement
AE	asphalt emulsion
AE-P	asphalt emulsion prime
A-R	asphalt-rubber
C	cationic
EAP&T	emulsified asphalt prime and tack
EBL	emulsified bonding layer
FDR	full depth reclamation
H-suffix	harder residue (lower penetration)
HF	high float
HY	high yield
MC	medium-curing
MS	medium-setting
PCE	prime, cure, and erosion control
PG	performance grade
RC	rapid-curing
RS	rapid-setting
S-suffix	stockpile usage
SCM	special cutback material
SS	slow-setting
SY	standard yield
TRAIL	tracking resistant asphalt interlayer

2.1.

Asphalt Cement. Provide asphalt cement that is homogeneous, water-free, and nonfoaming when heated to 347°F, and meets the requirements in Table 2.

Table 2
Asphalt Cement

Property	Test Procedure	Viscosity Grade									
		AC-0.6		AC-1.5		AC-3		AC-5		AC-10	
		Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max
Viscosity 140°F, poise 275°F, poise	T 202	40	80	100	200	250	350	400	600	800	1,200
		0.4	–	0.7	–	1.1	–	1.4	–	1.9	–
Penetration, 77°F, 100g, 5 sec.	T 49	350	–	250	–	210	–	135	–	85	–
Flash point, C.O.C., °F	T 48	425	–	425	–	425	–	425	–	450	–
Solubility in trichloroethylene, %	T 44	99.0	–	99.0	–	99.0	–	99.0	–	99.0	–
Spot test	Tex-509-C	Neg.		Neg.		Neg.		Neg.		Neg.	
Tests on residue from RTFOT: Viscosity, 140°F, poise Ductility, ¹ 77°F 5 cm/min., cm	T 240										
	T 202	–	180	–	450	–	900	–	1,500	–	3,000
	T 51	100	–	100	–	100	–	100	–	100	–

1. If AC-0.6 or AC-1.5 ductility at 77°F is less than 100 cm, material is acceptable if ductility at 60°F is more than 100 cm.

- 2.2. **Polymer-Modified Asphalt Cement.** Provide polymer-modified asphalt cement that is smooth, homogeneous, and meets the requirements Table 3. Supply samples of the base asphalt cement and polymer additives if requested.

Table 3
Polymer-Modified Asphalt Cement

Property	Test Procedure	Polymer-Modified Viscosity Grade											
		AC-12-5TR		NT-HA ¹		AC-15P		AC-20XP		AC-10-2TR		AC-20-5TR	
		Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max
Polymer		TR		-		SBS		SBS		TR		TR	
Polymer content, % (solids basis)	Tex-533-C or Tex-553-C	5.0	-	-	-	3.0	-	-	-	2.0	-	5.0	-
Dynamic shear, G*/sinδ, 82°C, 10 rad/s, kPa	T 315			1.0	-								
Dynamic shear, G*/sinδ, 64°C, 10 rad/s, kPa	T 315	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.0	-	-	-	1.0	-
Dynamic shear, G*/sinδ, 58°C, 10 rad/s, kPa	T 315	1.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.0	-	-	-
Viscosity 140°F, poise	T 202	1,200	-			1,500	-	2,000	-	1,000	-	2,000	-
275°F, poise	T 202			-	4,000	-	8.0	-	-	-	8.0	-	10.0
Penetration, 77°F, 100 g, 5 sec.	T 49	110	150	-	25	100	150	75	115	95	130	75	115
Ductility, 5cm/min., 39.2°F, cm	T 51					-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Elastic recovery, 50°F, %	Tex-539-C	55	-			55	-	55	-	30	-	55	-
Softening point, °F	T 53	113	-	170	-	-	-	120	-	110	-	120	-
Polymer separation, 5 hr.	Tex-540-C	None				None		None		None		None	
Flash point, C.O.C., °F	T 48	425	-	425	-	425	-	425	-	425	-	425	-
Tests on residue from RTFOT aging and pressure aging:	T 240 and R 28												
Creep stiffness S, -18°C, MPa	T 313	-	300	-	-	-	300	-	300	-	300	-	300
m-value, -18°C		0.300	-	-	-	0.300	-	0.300	-	0.300	-	0.300	-

1. Non-Tracking Hot Applied Tack Coat - TRAIL product

- 2.3. **Cutback Asphalt.** Provide cutback asphalt that meets the requirements of Tables 4, 5, and 6, for the specified type and grade. Supply samples of the base asphalt cement and polymer additives if requested.

Table 4
Rapid-Curing Cutback Asphalt

Property	Test Procedure	Type-Grade					
		RC-250		RC-800		RC-3000	
		Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max
Kinematic viscosity, 140°F, cSt	T 201	250	400	800	1,600	3,000	6,000
Water, %	D95	–	0.2	–	0.2	–	0.2
Flash point, T.O.C., °F	T 79	80	–	80	–	80	–
Distillation test:	T 78						
Distillate, percentage by volume of total distillate to 680°F							
to 437°F		40	75	35	70	20	55
to 500°F		65	90	55	85	45	75
to 600°F		85	–	80	–	70	–
Residue from distillation, volume %		70	–	75	–	82	–
Tests on distillation residue:							
Viscosity, 140°F, poise	T 202	600	2,400	600	2,400	600	2,400
Ductility, 5 cm/min., 77°F, cm	T 51	100	–	100	–	100	–
Solubility in trichloroethylene, %	T 44	99.0	–	99.0	–	99.0	–
Spot test	Tex-509-C	Neg.		Neg.		Neg.	

Table 5
Medium-Curing Cutback Asphalt

Property	Test Procedure	Type-Grade							
		MC-30		MC-250		MC-800		MC-3000	
		Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max
Kinematic viscosity, 140°F, cSt	T 201	30	60	250	500	800	1,600	3,000	6,000
Water, %	D95	–	0.2	–	0.2	–	0.2	–	0.2
Flash point, T.O.C., °F	T 79	95	–	122	–	140	–	149	–
Distillation test:	T 78								
Distillate, percentage by volume of total distillate to 680°F									
to 437°F		–	35	–	20	–	–	–	–
to 500°F		30	75	5	55	–	40	–	15
to 600°F		75	95	60	90	45	85	15	75
Residue from distillation, volume %		50	–	67	–	75	–	80	–
Tests on distillation residue:									
Viscosity, 140°F, poise	T 202	300	1,200	300	1,200	300	1,200	300	1,200
Ductility, 5 cm/min., 77°F, cm	T 51	100	–	100	–	100	–	100	–
Solubility in trichloroethylene, %	T 44	99.0	–	99.0	–	99.0	–	99.0	–
Spot test	Tex-509-C	Neg.		Neg.		Neg.		Neg.	

Table 6
Special-Use Cutback Asphalt

Property	Test Procedure	Type-Grade					
		MC-2400L		SCM I		SCM II	
		Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max
Kinematic viscosity, 140°F, cSt	T 201	2,400	4,800	500	1,000	1,000	2,000
Water, %	D95	–	0.2	–	0.2	–	0.2
Flash point, T.O.C., °F	T 79	150	–	175	–	175	–
Distillation test:	T 78						
Distillate, percentage by volume of total distillate to 680°F							
to 437°F		–	–	–	–	–	–
to 500°F		–	35	–	0.5	–	0.5
to 600°F		35	80	20	60	15	50
Residue from distillation, volume %		78	–	76	–	82	–
Tests on distillation residue:							
Polymer		SBR		–		–	
Polymer content, % (solids basis)	Tex-533-C	2.0	–	–	–	–	–
Penetration, 100 g, 5 sec., 77°F	T 49	150	300	180	–	180	–
Ductility, 5 cm/min., 39.2°F, cm	T 51	50	–	–	–	–	–
Solubility in trichloroethylene, %	T 44	99.0	–	99.0	–	99.0	–

- 2.4. **Emulsified Asphalt.** Provide emulsified asphalt that is homogeneous, does not separate after thorough mixing, and meets the requirements for the specified type and grade in Tables 7, 8, 9, 10, and 10A-C.

Table 7
Emulsified Asphalt

Property	Test Procedure	Type-Grade									
		Rapid-Setting		Medium-Setting				Slow-Setting			
		HFRS-2		MS-2		AES-300		SS-1		SS-1H	
		Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max
Viscosity, Saybolt Furol 77°F, sec. 122°F, sec.	T 72	-	-	-	-	75	400	20	100	20	100
Sieve test, %	T 59	-	0.1	-	0.1	-	0.1	-	0.1	-	0.1
Miscibility	T 59	-		-		-		Pass		Pass	
Cement mixing, %	T 59	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.0	-	2.0
Coating ability and water resistance: Dry aggregate/after spray Wet aggregate/after spray	T 59	-		-		Good/Fair Fair/Fair		-		-	
Demulsibility, 35 mL of 0.02 N CaCl ₂ , %	T 59	50	-	-	30	-	-	-	-	-	-
Storage stability, 1 day, %	T 59	-	1	-	1	-	1	-	1	-	1
Freezing test, 3 cycles ¹	T 59	-		Pass		-		Pass		Pass	
Distillation test: Residue by distillation, % by wt. Oil distillate, % by volume of emulsion	T 59	65	-	65	-	65	-	60	-	60	-
		-	0.5	-	0.5	-	5	-	0.5	-	0.5
Tests on residue from distillation: Penetration, 77°F, 100 g, 5 sec. Solubility in trichloroethylene, % Ductility, 77°F, 5 cm/min., cm Float test, 140°F, sec.	T 49 T 44 T 51 T 50	100 97.5 100 1,200	140 - - -	120 97.5 100 -	160 - - -	300 97.5 - 1,200	- - - -	120 97.5 100 -	160 - - -	70 97.5 80 -	100 - - -

1. Applies only when the Engineer designates material for winter use.

Table 8
Cationic Emulsified Asphalt

Property	Test Procedure	Type-Grade											
		Rapid-Setting		Medium-Setting				Slow-Setting					
		CRS-2		CRS-2H		CMS-2		CMS-2S		CSS-1		CSS-1H	
		Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max
Viscosity, Saybolt Furol 77°F, sec. 122°F, sec.	T 72	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20	100	20	100
Sieve test, %	T 59	-	0.1	-	0.1	-	0.1	-	0.1	-	0.1	-	0.1
Cement mixing, %	T 59	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.0	-	2.0
Coating ability and water resistance: Dry aggregate/after spray Wet aggregate/after spray	T 59	-		-		Good/Fair Fair/Fair		Good/Fair Fair/Fair		-		-	
Demulsibility, 35 mL of 0.8% Sodium dioctyl sulfosuccinate, %	T 59	70	-	70	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Storage stability, 1 day, %	T 59	-	1	-	1	-	1	-	1	-	1	-	1
Particle charge	T 59	Positive		Positive		Positive		Positive		Positive		Positive	
Distillation test: Residue by distillation, % by wt. Oil distillate, % by volume of emulsion	T 59	65	-	65	-	65	-	65	-	60	-	60	-
		-	0.5	-	0.5	-	7	-	5	-	0.5	-	0.5
Tests on residue from distillation: Penetration, 77°F, 100 g, 5 sec. Solubility in trichloroethylene, % Ductility, 77°F, 5 cm/min., cm	T 49 T 44 T 51	120 97.5 100	160 - -	70 97.5 80	110 - -	120 97.5 100	200 - -	300 97.5 -	- - -	120 97.5 100	160 - -	70 97.5 80	110 - -

Table 9
Polymer-Modified Emulsified Asphalt

Property	Test Procedure	Type-Grade									
		Rapid-Setting		Medium-Setting				Slow-Setting			
		HFRS-2P		AES-150P		AES-300P		AES-300S		SS-1P	
		Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max
Viscosity, Saybolt Furol 77°F, sec. 122°F, sec.	T 72	-	-	75	400	75	400	75	400	30	100
Sieve test, %	T 59	-	0.1	-	0.1	-	0.1	-	0.1	-	0.1
Miscibility	T 59	-		-		-		-		Pass	
Coating ability and water resistance: Dry aggregate/after spray Wet aggregate/after spray	T 59	-		Good/Fair Fair/Fair		Good/Fair Fair/Fair		Good/Fair Fair/Fair		-	
Demulsibility, 35 mL of 0.02 N CaCl ₂ , %	T 59	50	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Storage stability, 1 day, %	T 59	-	1	-	1	-	1	-	1	-	1
Breaking index, g	Tex-542-C	-	-								
Distillation test: ¹ Residue by distillation, % by wt. Oil distillate, % by volume of emulsion	T 59	65	-	65	-	65	-	65	-	60	-
		-	0.5	-	3	-	5	-	7	-	0.5
Tests on residue from distillation: Polymer content, wt. % (solids basis)	Tex-533-C	3.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.0	-
Penetration, 77°F, 100 g, 5 sec.	T 49	90	140	150	300	300	-	300	-	100	140
Solubility in trichloroethylene, %	T 44	97.0	-	97.0	-	97.0	-	97.0	-	97.0	-
Viscosity, 140°F, poise	T 202	1,500	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,300	-
Float test, 140°F, sec	T 50	1,200	-	1,200	-	1,200	-	1,200	-	-	-
Ductility, ² 39.2°F, 5 cm/min., cm	T 51	50	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	50	-
Elastic recovery, 2 50°F, %	Tex-539-C	55	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tests on RTFO curing of distillation residue Elastic recovery, 50°F, %	T 240 Tex-536-C	-	-	50	-	50	-	30	-	-	-

1. Exception to T 59: Bring the temperature on the lower thermometer slowly to 350°F ±10°F. Maintain at this temperature for 20 min. Complete total distillation in 60 min. (±5 min.) from the first application of heat.

2. HFRS-2P must meet one of either the ductility or elastic recovery requirements.

Table 10
Polymer-Modified Cationic Emulsified Asphalt

Property	Test Procedure	Type-Grade											
		Rapid-Setting						Medium-Setting				Slow-Setting	
		CRS-2P		CHFRS-2P		CRS-2TR		CMS-1P ³		CMS-2P ³		CSS 1P	
		Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max
Viscosity, Saybolt Furol 77°F, sec. 122°F, sec.	T 72	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	100	-	-	20	100
		150	400	100	400	150	500	-	-	50	400	-	-
Sieve test, %	T 59	-	0.1	-	0.1	-	0.1	-	0.1	-	0.1	-	0.1
Demulsibility, 35 ml of 0.8% sodium dioctyl sulfosuccinate, %	T 59	70	-	60	-	40	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Storage stability, 1 day, %	T 59	-	1	-	1	-	1	-	1	-	1	-	1
Breaking index, g	Tex-542-C	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Particle charge	T 59	Positive		Positive		Positive		Positive		Positive		Positive	
Distillation test ¹ :	T 59												
Residue by distillation, % by weight		65	-	65	-	65	-	30	-	60	-	62	-
Oil distillate, % by volume of emulsion		-	0.5	-	0.5	-	3	-	0.5	-	0.5	-	0.5
Tests on residue from distillation:													
Polymer content, wt. % (solids basis)	Tex-533-C	3.0	-	3.0	-	5.0 ⁷	-	-	-	-	-	3.0	-
Penetration, 77°F, 100 g, 5 sec.	T 49	90	150	80	130	90	150	30	-	30	-	55	90
Viscosity, 140°F, poise	T 202	1,300	-	1,300	-	1,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Solubility in trichloroethylene, %	T 44	97.0	-	95.0	-	98	-	-	-	-	-	97.0	-
Softening point, °F	T 53	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	135	-
Ductility, 77°F, 5 cm/min., cm	T 51	-	-	-	-	40	-	-	-	-	-	70	-
Float test, 140°F, sec.	T 50	-	-	1,800	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ductility, ² 39.2°F, 5 cm/min., cm	T 51	50	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Elastic recovery, ² 50°F, %	Tex-539-C	55	-	55	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tests on residue from evaporative recovery:	R 78, Procedure B												
Nonrecoverable creep compliance of residue, 3.2 kPa, 52°C, kPa ⁻¹	T 350	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.0	-	4.0	-	-
Tests on rejuvenating agent:													
Viscosity, 140°F, cSt	T 201	-	-	-	-	-	-	50	175	50	175	-	-
Flash point, C.O.C., °F	T 48	-	-	-	-	-	-	380	-	380	-	-	-
Saturates, % by weight	D 2007	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30	-	30	-	-
Solubility in n-pentane, % by weight	D 2007	-	-	-	-	-	-	99	-	99	-	-	-
Tests on rejuvenating agent after RTFO	T 240												
Weight Change, %		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.5	-	6.5	-	-
Viscosity Ratio		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.0	-	3.0	-	-
Tests on latex ⁴ :													
Tensile strength, die C dumbbell, psi	D 412 ⁵	-	-	-	-	-	-	800	-	800	-	-	-
Change in mass after immersion in rejuvenating agent, %	D 471	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	40 ⁶	-	40 ⁶	-	-

- Exception to T 59: Bring the temperature on the lower thermometer slowly to 350°F (±0°F). Maintain at this temperature for 20 min. Complete total distillation in 60 min. (±5 min.) from the first application of heat.
- CRS-2P must meet one of either the ductility or elastic recovery requirements.
- With all precertification samples of CMS-1P or CMS-2P, submit certified test reports showing that the rejuvenating agent and latex meet the stated requirements. Submit samples of these raw materials if requested by the Engineer.
- Preparation of latex specimens: use any substrate and recovery method which produces specimens of uniform dimensions and which delivers enough material to achieve desired residual thickness.
- Cut samples for tensile strength determination using a crosshead speed of 20 in. per minute.
- Specimen must remain intact after exposure and removal of excess rejuvenating agent.
- Modifier type is tire rubber.

Table 10A
Non-Tracking Tack Coat Emulsion¹

Property	Test Procedure	NT-HRE		NT-RRE		NT-SRE	
		Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max
Viscosity, Saybolt Furol 77° F, sec.	T 72	15	–	15	–	10	100
Storage stability, 1 Day, %	T 59	–	1	–	1	–	1
Settlement, 5-day, %	T 59	–	5	–	5	–	5
Sieve test, %	T 59	–	0.30	–	0.30	–	0.1
Distillation test: ² Residue by distillation, % by wt. Oil distillate, by volume of emulsion	T 59	50 –	– 1.0	58 –	– 1.0	50 –	– 1.0
Test on residue from distillation: Penetration, 77°F, 100 g, 5 sec.	T 49	–	20	15	45	40	90
Solubility in trichloroethylene, %	T 44	97.5	–	97.5	–	97.5	–
Softening point, °F	T 53	150	–	–	–	–	–
Dynamic shear, G*/sin(δ), 82°C, 10 rad/s, kPa	T 315	1.0	–	–	–	–	–

1. Due to the hardness of the residue, these emulsions should be heated to 120-140°F before thoroughly mixing as the emulsion is being prepared for testing.
2. Exception to T 59: Bring the temperature on the lower thermometer slowly to 350°F ± 10°F. Maintain at this temperature for 20 min. Complete total distillation in 60 ± 5 min. from first application of heat.

Table 10B
Spray Applied Underseal Membrane Polymer-Modified Emulsions (EBL)

Property	Test Procedure	Min	Max
Viscosity @ 77°F, SSF	T 72	20	100
Storage Stability ¹ , %	T 59	–	1
Demulsibility ² Anionic emulsions – 35 mL of 0.02 N CaCl ₂ , % Cationic emulsions – 35 mL of 0.8% sodium dioctyl sulfosuccinate, %	T 59	55	–
Sieve Test ³ , %	T 59	–	0.05
Distillation Test ⁴ Residue by distillation, % by wt. Oil portion of distillate, % by vol.	T 59	63	0.5
Test on Residue from Distillation Elastic Recovery @ 50°F, 50 mm/min., % Penetration @ 77°F, 100 g, 5 sec., 0.1 mm	Tex-539-C T 49	60 80	– 130

1. After standing undisturbed for 24 hr., the surface must be smooth, must not exhibit a white or milky colored substance, and must be a homogeneous color throughout.
2. Material must meet demulsibility test for emulsions.
3. May be required by the Engineer only when the emulsion cannot be easily applied in the field.
4. The temperature on the lower thermometer should be brought slowly to 350°F ± 10°F and maintained at this temperature for 20 min. The total distillation should be completed in 60 ± 5 min. from the first application of heat.

Table 10C
Full-Depth Reclamation Emulsion (FDR EM)

Property	Test Procedure	Standard Yield (SY)		High Yield (HY)	
		Min	Max	Min	Max
Sieve test, %	T 59	–	0.1	–	0.1
Viscosity Saybolt Furol @ 77°F, sec.	T 59	20	100	20	100
Distillation test ¹ : Residue by distillation, % by wt. Oil portion of distillate, % by vol.	T 59	60 –	– 0.5	63 –	– 0.5
Test on residue from distillation: Penetration @ 77°F, dmm	T 49	55	95	120	–
Test on rejuvenating agent: BWOA, % ² Viscosity @ 140°F, cSt Flash Point, COC, °F Solubility in n-pentane, % by wt.	*** T 201 T 48 D2007	– – – –	– – – –	2 50 380 99	– 175 – –

1. The temperature on the lower thermometer should be brought slowly to 350°F ± 10°F and maintained at this temperature for 20 min. The total distillation should be completed in 60 ± 5 min. from the first application of heat.
2. BWOA = By weight of asphalt. Provide a manufacturer's certificate of analysis (COA) with the percent of rejuvenator added.

2.5.

Specialty Emulsions. Provide specialty emulsion that is either asphalt-based or resin-based and meets the requirements of Table 11 or Table 11A.

Table 11
Specialty Emulsions

Property	Test Procedure	Type-Grade					
		Medium-Setting				Slow-Setting	
		AE-P		EAP&T		PCE ¹	
		Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max
Viscosity, Saybolt Furol 77°F, sec. 122°F, sec.	T 72	–	–	–	–	10	100
Sieve test, %	T 59	–	0.1	–	0.1	–	0.1
Miscibility ²	T 59	–	–	Pass	–	Pass	–
Demulsibility, 35 mL of 0.10 N CaCl ₂ , %	T 59	–	70	–	–	–	–
Storage stability, 1 day, %	T 59	–	1	–	1	–	–
Particle size, ⁵ % by volume < 2.5 μm	Tex-238-F³	–	–	90	–	90	–
Asphalt emulsion distillation to 500°F followed by Cutback asphalt distillation of residue to 680°F: Residue after both distillations, % by wt. Total oil distillate from both distillations, % by volume of emulsion	T 59 & T 78	40	–	–	–	–	–
		25	40	–	–	–	–
Residue by distillation, % by wt.	T 59	–	–	60	–	–	–
Residue by evaporation, ⁴ % by wt.	T 59	–	–	–	–	60	–
Tests on residue after all distillations:							
Viscosity, 140°F, poise	T 202	–	–	800	–	–	–
Kinematic viscosity, ⁵ 140°F, cSt	T 201	–	–	–	–	100	350
Flash point C.O.C., °F	T 48	–	–	–	–	400	–
Solubility in trichloroethylene, %	T 44	97.5	–	–	–	–	–
Float test, 122°F, sec.	T 50	50	200	–	–	–	–

1. Supply with each shipment of PCE:

- a copy of a lab report from an approved analytical lab, signed by a lab official, indicating the PCE formulation does not meet any characteristics of a Resource Conservation Recovery Act (RCRA) hazardous waste;
 - a certification from the producer that the formulation supplied does not differ from the one tested and that no listed RCRA hazardous wastes or Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs) have been mixed with the product; and
 - a Safety Data Sheet.
2. Exception to T 59: In dilution, use 350 mL of distilled or deionized water and a 1,000-mL beaker.
 3. Use [Tex-238-F](#), beginning at "Particle Size Analysis by Laser Diffraction," with distilled or deionized water as a medium and no dispersant, or use another approved method.
 4. Exception to T 59: Leave sample in the oven until foaming ceases, then cool and weigh.
 5. PCE must meet either the kinematic viscosity requirement or the particle size requirement.

Table 11A
Hard Residue Surface Sealant

Property	Test Procedure	Min	Max
Viscosity, Krebs unit, 77°F, Krebs units	D 562	45	75
Softening point, °F	Tex-505-C ¹	250	–
Uniformity	D 2939	Pass ²	
Resistance to heat	D 2939	Pass ³	
Resistance to water	D 2939	Pass ⁴	
Wet flow, mm	D 2939	–	0
Resistance to Kerosene (optional) ⁵	D 2939	Pass ⁶	
Ultraviolet exposure, UVA-340, 0.77 W/m ² , 50°C chamber, 8 hr. UV lamp, 5 min. spray, 3 hr. 55 min. condensation, 1,000 hr. total exposure ⁷	G 154	Pass ⁸	
Abrasion loss, 1.6 mm thickness, liquid only, %	ISSA TB-100	–	1.0
Residue by evaporation, % by weight	D 2939	33	–
Tests on residue from evaporation: Penetration, 77°F, 100 g, 5 sec. Flash point, Cleveland open cup, °F	T 49 T 48	15 500	30
Tests on base asphalt before emulsification Solubility in trichloroethylene, %	T 44	98	–

1. Cure the emulsion in the softening point ring in a 200°F ± 5°F oven for 2 hr.
2. Product must be homogenous and show no separation or coagulation that cannot be overcome by moderate stirring.
3. No sagging or slippage of film beyond the initial reference line.
4. No blistering or re-emulsification.
5. Recommended for airport applications or where fuel resistance is desired.
6. No absorption of Kerosene into the clay tile past the sealer film. Note sealer surface condition and loss of adhesion.
7. Other exposure cycles with similar levels of irradiation and conditions may be used with Department approval.
8. No cracking, chipping, surface distortion, or loss of adhesion. No color fading or lightening.

2.6.

Recycling Agent. Recycling agent and emulsified recycling agent must meet the requirements in Table 12. Additionally, recycling agent and residue from emulsified recycling agent, when added in the specified proportions to the recycled asphalt, must meet the properties specified on the plans.

Table 12
Recycling Agent and Emulsified Recycling Agent

Property	Test Procedure	Recycling Agent		Emulsified Recycling Agent (ARA-1)		Polymer Modified Emulsified Recycling Agent (ARA-1P)	
		Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max
Viscosity, Saybolt Furol, 77°F, sec.	T 72	–	–	15	100	15	110
Sieve test, %	T 59	–	–	–	0.1	–	0.1
Miscibility ¹	T 59	–		No coagulation			
Residue by evaporation, ² % by wt.	T 59	–	–	60	–	–	–
Distillation test: Residue by distillation, % by wt. Oil distillate, % by volume of emulsion	T 59					60 –	65 2
Penetration of Distillation Residue at 39.2°F, 100 g, 5 sec.	T 49					110	190
Tests on recycling agent or residue from evaporation: Flash point, C.O.C., °F Kinematic viscosity, 140°F, cSt 275°F, cSt	T 48 T 201	400 75 –	– 200 10.0	400 75 –	– 200 10.0	400	–

- Exception to T 59: Use 0.02 N CaCl₂ solution in place of water.
- Exception to T 59: Maintain sample at 300°F until foaming ceases, then cool and weigh.

2.7. **Crumb Rubber Modifier.** Crumb rubber modifier (CRM) consists of automobile and truck tires processed by ambient temperature grinding.

CRM must be:

- free from contaminants including fabric, metal, and mineral and other nonrubber substances;
- free-flowing; and
- nonfoaming when added to hot asphalt binder.

Ensure rubber gradation meets the requirements of the grades in Table 13 when tested in accordance with [Tex-200-F](#), Part I, using a 50-g sample.

Table 13
CRM Gradations

Sieve Size (% Passing)	Grade A		Grade B		Grade C		Grade D	Grade E
	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max		
#8	100	–	–	–	–	–	As shown on the plans	As approved
#10	95	100	100	–	–	–		
#16	–	–	70	100	100	–		
#30	–	–	25	60	90	100		
#40	–	–	–	–	45	100		
#50	0	10	–	–	–	–		
#200	–	–	0	5	–	–		

2.8. **Crack Sealer.** Provide polymer-modified asphalt-emulsion crack sealer meeting the requirements of Table 14. Provide rubber-asphalt crack sealer meeting the requirements of Table 15.

Table 14
Polymer-Modified Asphalt-Emulsion Crack Sealer

Property	Test Procedure	Min	Max
Rotational viscosity, 77°F, cP	D 2196, Method A	10,000	25,000
Sieve test, %	T 59	–	0.1
Storage stability, 1 day, %	T 59	–	1
Evaporation	Tex-543-C		
Residue by evaporation, % by wt.		65	–
Tests on residue from evaporation:			
Penetration, 77°F, 100 g, 5 sec.	T 49	35	75
Softening point, °F	T 53	140	–
Ductility, 39.2°F, 5 cm/min., cm	T 51	100	–

Table 15
Rubber-Asphalt Crack Sealer

Property	Test Procedure	Class A		Class B	
		Min	Max	Min	Max
CRM content, Grade A or B, % by wt.	Tex-544-C	22	26	–	–
CRM content, Grade B, % by wt.	Tex-544-C	–	–	13	17
Virgin rubber content, ¹ % by wt.		–	–	2	–
Flash point, ² C.O.C., °F	T 48	400	–	400	–
Penetration, ³ 77°F, 150 g, 5 sec.	T 49	30	50	30	50
Penetration, ³ 32°F, 200 g, 60 sec.	T 49	12	–	12	–
Softening point, °F	T 53	–	–	170	–
Bond Test, non-immersed, 0.5 in specimen, 50% extension, 20°F ⁴	D5329	–	–	–	Pass

1. Provide certification that the Min % virgin rubber was added.
2. Agitate the sealing compound with a 3/8- to 1/2 in. (9.5- to 12.7 mm) wide, square-end metal spatula to bring the material on the bottom of the cup to the surface (i.e., turn the material over) before passing the test flame over the cup. Start at one side of the thermometer, move around to the other, and then return to the starting point using 8 to 10 rapid circular strokes. Accomplish agitation in 3 to 4 sec. Pass the test flame over the cup immediately after stirring is completed.
3. Exception to T 49: Substitute the cone specified in D 217 for the penetration needle.
4. Allow no crack in the crack sealing materials or break in the bond between the sealer and the mortar blocks over 1/4 in. deep for any specimen after completion of the test.

- 2.9. **Asphalt-Rubber Binders.** Provide asphalt-rubber (A-R) binders that are mixtures of asphalt binder and CRM, which have been reacted at elevated temperatures. Provide A-R binders meeting D6114 and containing a minimum of 15% CRM by weight. Provide Types I or II, containing CRM Grade C, for use in hot-mixed aggregate mixtures. Provide Types II or III, containing CRM Grade B, for use in surface treatment binder. Ensure binder properties meet the requirements of Table 16.

**Table 16
A-R Binders**

Property	Test Procedure	Binder Type					
		Type I		Type II		Type III	
		Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max
Apparent viscosity, 347°F, cP	D2196, Method A	1,500	5,000	1,500	5,000	1,500	5,000
Penetration, 77°F, 100 g, 5 sec.	T 49	25	75	25	75	50	100
Penetration, 39.2°F, 200 g, 60 sec.	T 49	10	–	15	–	25	–
Softening point, °F	T 53	135	–	130	–	125	–
Resilience, 77°F, %	D5329	25	–	20	–	10	–
Flash point, C.O.C., °F	T 48	450	–	450	–	450	–
Tests on residue from Thin-Film Oven Test:	T 179						
Retained penetration ratio, 39.2°F, 200 g, 60 sec., % of original	T 49	75	–	75	–	75	–

- 2.10. **Performance-Graded Binders.** Provide PG binders that are smooth and homogeneous, show no separation when tested in accordance with [Tex-540-C](#), and meet the requirements of Table 17.

Separation testing is not required if:

- a modifier is introduced separately at the mix plant either by injection in the asphalt line or mixer,
- the binder is blended on site in continuously agitated tanks, or
- binder acceptance is based on field samples taken from an in-line sampling port at the hot-mix plant after the addition of modifiers.

Table 17
Performance-Graded Binders

Property and Test Method	Performance Grade																	
	PG 58			PG 64				PG 70				PG 76				PG 82		
	-22	-28	-34	-16	-22	-28	-34	-16	-22	-28	-34	-16	-22	-28	-34	-16	-22	-28
Average 7-day max pavement design temperature, °C ¹	58			64				70				76				82		
Min pavement design temperature, °C ¹	-22	-28	-34	-16	-22	-28	-34	-16	-22	-28	-34	-16	-22	-28	-34	-16	-22	-28
Original Binder																		
Flash point, T 48, Min, °C	230																	
Viscosity, T 316 ^{2,3} : Max, 3.0 Pa s, test temperature, °C	135																	
Dynamic shear, T 315 ⁴ : G*/sin(δ), Min, 1.00 kPa, Max, 2.00 kPa ⁷ , Test temperature @ 10 rad/sec., °C	58			64				70				76				82		
Elastic recovery, D6084, 50°F, % Min ⁸	-	-	30	-	-	30	50	-	30	50	60	30	50	60	70	50	60	70
Rolling Thin-Film Oven (Tex-506-C)																		
Mass change, T 240, Max, %	1.0																	
Dynamic shear, T 315: G*/sin(δ), Min, 2.20 kPa, Max, 5.00 kPa ⁷ , Test temperature @ 10 rad/sec., °C	58			64				70				76				82		
MSCR, T350, Recovery, 0.1 kPa, High Temperature, % Min ⁸	-	-	20	-	-	20	30	-	20	30	40	20	30	40	50	30	40	50
Pressure Aging Vessel (PAV) Residue (R 28)																		
PAV aging temperature, °C	100																	
Dynamic shear, T 315: G*/sin(δ), Max, 5,000 kPa Test temperature @ 10 rad/sec., °C	25	22	19	28	25	22	19	28	25	22	19	28	25	22	19	28	25	22
Creep stiffness, T 313 ^{5,6} : S, max, 300 MPa, m-value, Min, 0.300 Test temperature @ 60 sec., °C	-12	-18	-24	-6	-12	-18	-24	-6	-12	-18	-24	-6	-12	-18	-24	-6	-12	-18
Direct tension, T 314 ⁶ : Failure strain, min, 1.0% Test temperature @ 1.0 mm/min., °C	-12	-18	-24	-6	-12	-18	-24	-6	-12	-18	-24	-6	-12	-18	-24	-6	-12	-18

- Pavement temperatures are estimated from air temperatures and using an algorithm contained in a Department-supplied computer program, may be provided by the Department, or by following the procedures outlined in AASHTO MP 2 and PP 28.
- This requirement may be waived at the Department's discretion if the supplier warrants that the asphalt binder can be adequately pumped, mixed, and compacted at temperatures that meet all applicable safety, environmental, and constructability requirements. At test temperatures where the binder is a Newtonian fluid, any suitable standard means of viscosity measurement may be used, including capillary (T 201 or T 202) or rotational viscometry (T 316).
- Viscosity at 135°C is an indicator of mixing and compaction temperatures that can be expected in the lab and field. High values may indicate high mixing and compaction temperatures. Additionally, significant variation can occur from batch to batch. Contractors should be aware that variation could significantly impact their mixing and compaction operations. Contractors are therefore responsible for addressing any constructability issues that may arise.
- For quality control of unmodified asphalt binder production, measurement of the viscosity of the original asphalt binder may be substituted for dynamic shear measurements of G*/sin(δ) at test temperatures where the asphalt is a Newtonian fluid. Any suitable standard means of viscosity measurement may be used, including capillary (T 201 or T 202) or rotational viscometry (T 316).
- Silicone beam molds, as described in AASHTO TP 1-93, are acceptable for use.
- If creep stiffness is below 300 MPa, direct tension test is not required. If creep stiffness is between 300 and 600 MPa, the direct tension failure strain requirement can be used instead of the creep stiffness requirement. The m value requirement must be satisfied in both cases.
- Maximum values for unaged and RTFO aged dynamic shear apply only to materials used as substitute binders, as described in Item 340, "Dense-Graded Hot-Mix Asphalt (Small Quantity)", Item 341, "Dense-Graded Hot-Mix Asphalt, and Item 344, "Superpave Mixtures."
- Elastic Recovery (ASTM D6084) is not required unless MSCR (AASHTO T 350) is less than the minimum % recovery. Elastic Recovery must be used for the acceptance criteria in this instance.

3. EQUIPMENT

Provide all equipment necessary to transport, store, sample, heat, apply, and incorporate asphalts, oils, and emulsions.

4. CONSTRUCTION

Typical Material Use. Use materials shown in Table 18, unless otherwise determined by the Engineer.

Table 18
Typical Material Use

Material Application	Typically Used Materials
Hot-mixed, hot-laid asphalt mixtures	PG binders, A-R binders Types I and II
Surface treatment	AC-5, AC-10, AC-15P, AC-20XP, AC-10-2TR, AC-20-5TR, HFRS-2, MS-2, CRS-2, CRS-2H, CRS-2TR, CMS-2P HFRS-2P, CRS-2P, CHFRS-2P, A-R binders Types II and III
Surface treatment (cool weather)	AC12-5TR, RC-250, RC-800, RC-3000, MC-250, MC-800, MC-3000, MC-2400L, CMS-2P
Precoating	AC-5, AC-10, PG 64-22, SS-1, SS-1H, CSS-1, CSS-1H
Tack coat	PG Binders, SS-1H, CSS-1H, EAP&T, TRAIL, EBL
Fog seal	SS-1, SS-1H, CSS-1, CSS-1H, CMS-1P
Hot-mixed, cold-laid asphalt mixtures	AC-0.6, AC-1.5, AC-3, AES-300, AES-300P, CMS-2, CMS-2S
Patching mix	MC-800, SCM I, SCM II, AES-300S
Recycling	AC-0.6, AC-1.5, AC-3, AES-150P, AES-300P, recycling agent, emulsified recycling agent
Crack sealing	SS-1P, polymer mod AE crack sealant, rubber asphalt crack sealers (Class A, Class B)
Microsurfacing	CSS-1P
Prime	MC-30, AE-P, EAP&T, PCE
Curing membrane	SS-1, SS-1H, CSS-1, CSS-1H, PCE
Erosion control	SS-1, SS-1H, CSS-1, CSS-1H, PCE
FDR -Foaming	PG 64-22, FDR EM-SY, FDR EM-HY

- 4.1. **Storage and Application Temperatures.** Use storage and application temperatures in accordance with Table 19. Store and apply materials at the lowest temperature yielding satisfactory results. Follow the manufacturer's instructions for any agitation requirements in storage. Manufacturer's instructions regarding recommended application and storage temperatures supersede those of Table 19.

Table19
Storage and Application Temperatures

Type-Grade	Application		Storage Max (°F)
	Recommended Range (°F)	Max Allowable (°F)	
AC-0.6, AC-1.5, AC-3	200–300	350	350
AC-5, AC-10	275–350	350	350
AC-15P, AC-20-5TR, AC12-5TR and AC10-2TR	300–375	375	360
RC-250	125–180	200	200
RC-800	170–230	260	260
RC-3000	215–275	285	285
MC-30, AE-P	70–150	175	175
MC-250	125–210	240	240
MC-800, SCM I, SCM II	175–260	275	275
MC-3000, MC-2400L	225–275	290	290
HFRS-2, MS-2, CRS-2, CRS-2H, HFRS-2P, CRS-2P, CMS-2, CMS-2S, AES-300, AES-300S, AES-150P, AES-300P, CRS-2TR	120–160	180	180
SS-1, SS-1H, CSS-1, CSS-1H, PCE, EAP&T, SS-1P, RS-1P, CRS-1P, CSS-1P, recycling agent, emulsified recycling agent, polymer mod AE crack sealant	50–130	140	140
PG binders	275–350	350	350
Rubber asphalt crack sealers (Class A, Class B)	350–375	400	–
A-R binders Types I, II, and III	325–425	425	425

5. MEASUREMENT AND PAYMENT

The work performed, materials furnished, equipment, labor, tools, and incidentals will not be measured or paid for directly but is subsidiary or is included in payment for other pertinent items.

Special Specification 6001

Portable Changeable Message Sign



1. DESCRIPTION

Furnish, operate, and maintain portable trailer mounted changeable message sign (PCMS) units.

2. MATERIALS

Furnish new or used material in accordance with the requirements of this Item and the details shown on the plans. Provide a self-contained PCMS unit with the following:

- Sign controller
- Changeable Message Sign
- Trailer
- Power source

Paint the exterior surfaces of the power supply housing, supports, trailer, and sign with Federal Orange No. 22246 or Federal Yellow No. 13538 of Federal Standard 595C, except paint the sign face assembly flat black.

2.1. **Sign Controller.** Provide a controller with permanent storage of a minimum of 75 pre-programmed messages. Provide an external input device for random programming and storage of a minimum of 75 additional messages. Provide a controller capable of displaying up to 3 messages sequentially. Provide a controller with adjustable display rates. Enclose sign controller equipment in a lockable enclosure.

2.2. **Changeable Message Sign.** Provide a sign capable of being elevated to at least 7 ft. above the roadway surface from the bottom of the sign. Provide a sign capable of being rotated 360° and secured against movement in any position.

Provide a sign with 3 separate lines of text and 8 characters per line minimum. Provide a minimum 18 in. character height. Provide a 5 × 7 character pixel matrix. Provide a message legibility distance of 600 ft. for nighttime conditions and 800 ft. for normal daylight conditions. Provide for manual and automatic dimming light sources.

The following are descriptions for 3 screen types of PCMS:

- **Character Modular Matrix.** This screen type comprises of character blocks.
- **Continuous Line Matrix.** This screen type uses proportionally spaced fonts for each line of text.
- **Full Matrix.** This screen type uses proportionally spaced fonts, varies the height of characters, and displays simple graphics on the entire sign.

2.3. **Trailer.** Provide a 2 wheel trailer with square top fenders, 4 leveling jacks, and trailer lights. Do not exceed an overall trailer width of 96 in. Shock mount the electronics and sign assembly.

2.4. **Power Source.** Provide a diesel generator, solar powered power source, or both. Provide a backup power source as necessary.

2.5. **Cellular Telephone.** When shown on the plans, provide a cellular telephone connection to communicate with the PCMS unit remotely.

3. CONSTRUCTION

Place or relocate PCMS units as shown on the plans or as directed. The plans will show the number of PCMS units needed, for how many days, and for which construction phases.

Maintain the PCMS units in good working condition. Repair damaged or malfunctioning PCMS units as soon as possible. PCMS units will remain the property of the Contractor.

4. MEASUREMENT

This Item will be measured by each PCMS or by the day used. All PCMS units must be set up on a work area and operational before a calendar day can be considered measurable. When measurement by the day is specified, a day will be measured for each PCMS set up and operational on the worksite.

5. PAYMENT

The work performed and materials furnished in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under "Measurement" will be paid for at the unit price bid for "Portable Changeable Message Sign." This price is full compensation for PCMS units; set up; relocating; removing; replacement parts; batteries (when required); fuel, oil, and oil filters (when required); cellular telephone charges (when required); software; and equipment, materials, tools, labor, and incidentals.

Special Specification 6007

Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) Fiber Optic Cable



1. DESCRIPTION

Furnish, install, relocate and remove Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) fiber optic cable, fiber patch panels and splice enclosures as shown on the plans.

2. MATERIALS

- 2.1. **General Requirements.** Provide, assemble, fabricate and install materials that are new, corrosion resistant, and in accordance with the details shown on the plans and in these Specifications.

Furnish, install, splice, and test all new fiber optic cable. Provide all splicing kits, fiber optic cable caps, connectors, moisture or water sealants, terminators, splice trays, fiber optic jumpers, pig tails, fiber patch panels, fiber interconnect housing, and accessories necessary to complete the fiber optic network. Provide all equipment necessary for installation, splicing, and testing.

- 2.2. **Cable Requirements.** Furnish all-dielectric, dry-filled, gel-free, loose tube fiber optic cable, with low water peak, suitable for underground conduit environments or aerial applications.

Furnish self-supporting, all-dielectric, dry-filled, gel-free, loose tube fiber optic cable, with low water peak suitable for aerial applications when not lashing to strand cable.

All fiber optic cable furnished must have a design life of 20 yr. when installed to the manufacturer's specifications.

Splice fiber optic cables in ground boxes, field cabinets, or buildings. Terminate fiber optic cables in field cabinets and buildings that comply with the details shown on the plans and in this Specification.

Provide all fiber optic cable from the same manufacturer and the manufacturer is International Organization for Standardization (ISO) 9001 certified. Ensure the cables meet or exceed United States Department of Agriculture Rural Utilities Service (RUS) CFR 1755.900, American National Standards Institute/Insulated Cable Engineers Association (ANSI/ICEA) S-87-640, and Telecommunications Industry Association/Electronic Industries Alliance (TIA/EIA)-492-CAAB standard.

- 2.3. **Optical Requirements.**

- 2.3.1. **Optical Fiber.** Provide ITU G.652 single mode fiber optic cable with a core diameter of 8.3 ± 0.7 microns and a cladding diameter of 125 ± 0.7 microns. Provide optical fiber made of glass consisting of a silica core surrounded by concentric silica cladding, free of imperfections and inclusions.

- 2.3.2. **Core/Clad Concentricity.** Provide an offset between the center of the core and cladding less than 0.5 microns.

- 2.3.3. **Mode Field Diameter.** Provide single mode fiber optic cable with the effective area or Mode Field Diameter of the fiber must be $9.2 \pm 0.4 \mu\text{m}$ at 1310 nm and $10.5 \pm 1.0 \mu\text{m}$ at 1550 nm.

- 2.3.4. **Primary Coating.** Provide fiber with a coating diameter of 250 ± 15 microns.

- 2.3.5. **Attenuation.** Provide single mode fiber optic cable with nominal attenuation of 0.35 dB/km maximum at a wavelength of 1310 nm and nominal attenuation of 0.25 dB/km maximum at a wavelength of 1550 nm.
- Attenuation at water peak must be less than 0.35 dB/km at 1383 nm.
- 2.3.6. **Bandwidth and Dispersion.** Provide single mode fiber optic cable with a maximum dispersion of:
- 3.2 ps/nm-km at a wavelength of 1310 nm, and
 - 18 ps/nm-km at a wavelength of 1550 nm.
- Zero dispersion wavelength must be between 1300 nm and 1324 nm and the zero dispersion slope at the zero dispersion wavelength must be less than 0.092 ps/(nm² · km).
- The cutoff wavelength must be less than 1260 nm for single mode fibers specified to operate at 1310 nm. The cutoff wavelength must be less than 1480 for single mode fibers specified to operate only at 1550 nm or higher.
- The macrobend attenuation per 100 turns must not exceed 0.05 dB at 1310 nm and 1550 nm.
- 2.3.7. **Mechanical Requirements(Tensile Strength).** Provide a cable withstanding a pulling tension of 600 lbf without increasing attenuation by more than 0.8 dB/mi when installing in underground conduit systems in accordance with EIA-455-33A. Conduct an impact test in accordance with TIA/EIA-455-25C (FOTP-25) and a compression load test in accordance with TIA/EIA-455-41A (FOTP-41).
- For all-dielectric self-supporting cable (ADSS) and other self-supporting cables, meet tensile strength requirements in accordance with Section 25, Loading of Grades B and C, of National Electric Safety Code (NESC), for the maximum span and sag information as shown in the plans for aerial construction.
- 2.3.8. **Bend Radius.** Provide a cable withstanding a minimum bending radius of 10 times its outer diameter during operation, and 20 times its outer diameter during installation, removal and reinstallation without changing optical fiber characteristics. Test the cable in accordance with EIA-455-33A.
- 2.3.9. **Buffering.** Use a buffering tube or jacket with an outer diameter of 1.0 to 3.0 mm containing 12 individual fiber strands. The fibers must not adhere to the inside of the buffer tube.
- 2.3.10. **Color Coding.** Provide fiber and buffer tubes with a color coating applied to it by the manufacturer. Coating must not affect the optical characteristics of the fiber. Provide color configuration in accordance with TIA/EIA-598 as follows:
- | | | |
|-------------|------------|--------------|
| ■ 1. Blue | ■ 5. Slate | ■ 9. Yellow |
| ■ 2. Orange | ■ 6. White | ■ 10. Violet |
| ■ 3. Green | ■ 7. Red | ■ 11. Rose |
| ■ 4. Brown | ■ 8. Black | ■ 12. Aqua |

3. EQUIPMENT

- 3.1. **Cable Type.** Provide cables with a reverse oscillation or planetary stranding structure.

Jacket construction and group configuration should separate at splice points to cut and splice 1 set of fibers while the others remain continuous. All cable jackets must have a ripcord to aid in the removal of the outer jacket. Submit cable designs for approval.

Strand loose buffer tubes around a dielectric central anti-buckling strength member. Provide dielectric aramid or fiber glass strength members with specified strength for the cable. Provide cable with a water-blocking material, which is non-hygroscopic, non-nutritive to fungus, non-conductive, non-toxic, and homogeneous. The water blocking material must comply with TIA/EIA-455-81B and 455-82B as well as TIA/EIA-455-98.

Ensure a polyethylene inner jacket is applied over the cable core, and that the entire cable is enclosed with a polyethylene outer jacket. Ensure the outer jacket contains black carbon to provide UV protection for the cable. Ensure each cable is marked with the manufacturer's name, the date of manufacture (month/year), the fiber count (example 48F SM), and sequential length markings at maximum 2 ft. increments, measured in U.S. units.

For aerial installation, provide standard fiber optic cable lashed to steel messenger cable or ADSS in accordance with the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) 1222 Standard for Testing and Performance for All-Dielectric Self-Supporting (ADSS) Fiber Optic Cable for Use on Electric Utility Power Lines, or most current version. Provide ADSS cable in accordance with the maximum span distance, weather load rating, and allowable sag as shown on the plans. "Figure 8" self-supporting cable with integrated messenger cable within the outer jacket for aerial installation is acceptable.

3.1.1. **Cable Size.** Furnish cables with a maximum diameter not exceeding 19 mm.

3.1.2. **Environmental Requirements.** Provide cable that functions in a temperature range from -40°F to 158°F.

3.2. **Fiber Optic Accessories.**

3.2.1. **Splice Enclosures.** Furnish and install 1 of 3 types of underground splice enclosures at locations shown on the plans to accommodate the cables being spliced at that point. The types are as follows:

- Type 1: 4 cable entry ports total – 2 ports to accommodate backbone fiber of up to 144 fibers and 2 ports for drop cables of up to 48 fibers,
- Type 2: 6 cable entry ports total – 4 to accommodate backbone or arterial cables of up to 144 fibers and 2 ports for drop cables of up to 48 fibers, and
- Type 3: 8 cable entry ports total – 4 to accommodate backbone or arterial cables of up to 144 fibers and 4 ports for drop cables of up to 48 fibers.

Provide the end cap of the canister splice closure with re-enterable quick-seal cable entry ports to accommodate additional branch cables or backbone cables. Provide fiber optic splice enclosures with strain relief, splice organizers, and splice trays from the same manufacturer as the splice enclosure. Select the appropriate splice enclosure type based on the number of splices called for in the plans. Suspend all splice closures off floor of the ground box and secure to cable rack assembly on side wall of ground box.

For end of reel splicing, use a fiber optic splice enclosure sized to accommodate full cable splice in one enclosure. Fiber optic splice enclosure must be of the same manufacturer as other supplied on a project. Splice enclosure and fusion splicing required for end of reel will be incidental to the fiber optic cable.

Comply with the Telcordia Technologies' GR-711-CORE standard and all applicable NEC requirements.

Contain all optical fiber splices within a splice enclosure, providing storage for fiber splices, nonspliced fiber, and buffer tubes. Provide sufficient space inside the enclosure to prevent microbending of buffer tubes when coiled.

Ensure that the splice enclosure maintains the mechanical and environmental integrity of the fiber optic cable, encases the sheath opening in the cable, and organizes and stores optical fiber. Ensure all hinges and latching devices are stainless steel or of a non-corrosive material designed for harsh environments. Ensure that the enclosure is airtight and prevents water intrusion. Ensure that splice enclosures allow re-entry and are hermetically sealed to protect internal components from environmental hazards and foreign material such as moisture, dust, insects, and UV light.

3.2.2. **Field Rack Mount Splice Enclosures.** Provide a 19 in. EIA rack mounted splice enclosure module to hold spliced fibers as shown in the plans inside field equipment cabinets or buildings.

Splice or terminate fibers inside rack mounted fiber optic splice enclosures. Provide an enclosed unit designed to house a minimum of 4 cables, sized to accommodate at a minimum the cables shown on the plans plus future expansion.

Provide splice enclosures containing mounting brackets with a minimum of 4 cable clamps. Install cable according to manufacturer recommendations for the cable distribution panel.

- 3.2.3. **Fiber Patch Panels.** Provide fiber patch panels that are compatible with the fiber optic cable being terminated and color coded to match the optical fiber color scheme. Coil and protect a maintenance loop of at least 5 ft. of buffer tube inside the rack mount enclosure, patch panel, or splice tray. Allow for future splices in the event of a damaged splice or pigtail.

- 3.2.3.1. **Cabinet.** Terminate or splice fibers inside the compact and modular fiber patch panel in the cabinet. Provide fiber patch panel for installation inside a 19 in. EIA rack and sized appropriately to accommodate the fiber terminations shown on the plans or as directed by the Engineer. Provide each patch panel housing with pre-assembled compact modular snap-in simplex connector panel modules, each module having a minimum of 6 fiber termination/connection capabilities. Provide modules with a removable cover having 6 pre-connectorized fiber pigtails, interconnection sleeves, and dust caps installed by the manufacturer. Provide a 12 fiber or greater fusion splice tray capability housing, each tray holding 12 fusion splices as shown in the plans. Stack splice trays on a rack to permit access to individual trays without disturbing other trays. Locate splice trays in a rack within a pull-out shelf. Protect the housing with doors capable of pivoting up or down. Document the function of each terminated/spliced fiber, along with the designation of each connector on labels or charts located either on the inside or outside of the housing door. Provide labels or charts that are UV resistant design for harsh environments and used inside field equipment cabinets. Use permanent marker or method of identification that will withstand harsh environments. Provide each housing with strain relief. Terminate single mode fiber optic cable with SC connectors to the patch panels, unless otherwise shown on the plans.

Install the fiber patch panel as an integral unit as shown on the plans.

- 3.2.3.2. **Building.** Provide a fiber patch panel with a modular design allowing interchangeability of connector panel module housing and splice housing within the rack, as shown on the plans.

Provide the number of single mode fibers, connector panel module housings, and splice housings for the patch panel unit in the building as shown on the plans.

Provide a fiber patch panel unit, installed at a height less than 7 ft., capable of housing 8 connector panel module housings or 8 splice housings. Protect the housing with doors capable of pivoting up or down and sliding into the unit.

Provide 12 snap-in simplex connector panel modules with each connector panel module housing, each module having 6 fiber termination/connector capabilities. Use a pre-assembled compact modular unit with a removable cover for the snap-in simplex connector panel module having 6 pre-connectorized fiber pigtails, interconnection sleeves, and dust caps installed by the manufacturer. Provide each connector panel module housing with a jumper routing shelf, storing up to 5 ft. (minimum) of cable slack for each termination within the housing. Provide the fiber distribution unit with strain relief.

Provide splice enclosure with 24 fusion splice tray capabilities, each splice tray holding 12 or more fusion splices. Stack splice trays on a rack to permit access to individual trays without disturbing other trays. Locate the rack on a pull-out shelf.

Document the function of each terminated/spliced fiber, along with the designation of each connector on labels or charts located either on the inside or outside of the housing door. Provide labels or charts that are UV resistant design for harsh environments and used inside field equipment cabinets. Use permanent marker or method of identification that will withstand harsh environments. Also provide documentation of the function of each terminated or spliced fiber along with the designation of each connector on charts or

diagrams matching the fiber patch panel configuration and locate inside cabinet document drawer. Provide documentation at the conclusion of fiber terminations and splicing.

Allow terminations only in the fiber interconnect housings placed in the cabinets as shown on the plans or as directed.

- 3.2.4. **Splice Trays.** Use splice tray and fan-out tubing kit for handling each fiber. Provide a splice tray and 12 fiber fan-out tubing with each housing for use with the 250 microns coated fiber. The fan-out will occur within the splice tray (no splicing of the fiber required). Allow each tube to fan out each fiber for ease of connectorization. Label all fibers in splice tray on a log sheet securing it to the inside or outside of the splice tray. Provide UV resistant log sheet suitable for harsh environments, located inside field cabinets or splice enclosures. Provide fan-out tubing with 3 layers of protection consisting of fluoropolymer inner tube, a dielectric strength member, and a 2.9 mm minimum outer protective PVC orange jacketing.
- 3.2.5. **Jumpers.** Provide fiber optic jumper cables to cross connect the fiber patch panel to the fiber optic transmission equipment as shown on the plans or as directed. Match the core size, type, and attenuation from the cable to the simplex jumper. Use yellow jumpers and provide strain relief on the connectors. Provide fiber with a 900 micron polymer buffer, Kevlar strength member, and a PVC jacket with a maximum outer jacket of 2.4 mm in diameter.
- Provide 5 ft. long jumpers, unless otherwise shown on the plans. On the patch panel end of each jumper, provide an SC connector. On the opposite end of the jumper, provide a connector that is suitable to be connected to the fiber optic transmission equipment selected. When providing jumpers for existing equipment, provide connectors suitable to be connected to patch panels and fiber optic transmission equipment in use. All jumpers must have factory terminated connectors. Field terminations of connectors is prohibited.
- 3.2.6. **Fiber Optic Cable Storage Device.** Furnish fiber optic cable storage device designed to store slack fiber optic cable by means of looping back from device to device on an aerial run. Furnish storage devices that are non-conductive and resistant to fading when exposed to UV sources and changes in weather. Ensure storage devices have a captive design such that fiber-optic cable will be supported when installed in the aerial rack apparatus and the minimum bending radius will not be violated. Provide stainless steel attachment hardware for securing storage devices to messenger cable and black UV resistant tie-wraps for securing fiber-optic cable to storage device. Provide tie-wraps that do not damage fiber when securing to storage device. Ensure storage devices are stackable so multiple cable configurations are possible. Ensure cable storage devices furnished are compatible with the type of aerial cable furnished and installed. Aerial cable storage devices will be considered incidental to the installation of the fiber optic cable.

4. CONSTRUCTION

Install fiber optic cable in accordance with United States Department of Agriculture Rural Utilities Service CFR 1755.900 specifications for underground and aerial plant construction without changing the optical and mechanical characteristics of the cables.

Utilize available machinery, jacking equipment, cable pulling machinery with appropriate tension monitors, splicing and testing equipment, and other miscellaneous tools to install cable, splice fibers, attach connectors and mount hardware in cabinets employed with the above "Mechanical Requirements." Do not jerk the cable during installation. Adhere to the maximum pulling tensions of 600 lbf and bending radius of 20 times the cable diameter or as specified by the manufacturer, whichever is greater.

Use installation techniques and fixtures that provide for ease of maintenance and easy access to all components for testing and measurements. Take all precautions necessary to ensure the cable is not damaged during transport, storage, or installation. Protect as necessary the cables to prevent damage if being pulled over or around obstructions along the ground.

Where plans call for removal of existing cable to salvage or reuse elsewhere, take care to prevent damaging the existing cable during removal adhering to all of the requirements for installation that pertain to removal.

- 4.1. **Packaging, Shipping, and Receiving.** Ensure the completed cable is packaged for shipment on reels. Ensure the cable is wrapped in weather and temperature resistant covering. Ensure both ends of the cable are sealed to prevent the ingress of moisture.

Securely fasten each end of the cable to the reel to prevent the cable from coming loose during transit. Provide 6 ft. of accessible cable length on each end of the cable for testing. Ensure that the complete outer jacket marking is visible on these 6 ft. of cable length. Provide each cable reel with a durable weatherproof label or tag showing the Manufacturer's name, the cable type, the actual length of cable on the reel, the Contractor's name, the contract number, and the reel number. Include a shipping record in a weatherproof envelope showing the above information and also include the date of manufacture, cable characteristics (size, attenuation, bandwidth, etc.), factory test results, cable identification number and any other pertinent information. Ensure that all cable delivered has been manufactured within 6 mo. of the delivery date. Ensure that the minimum hub diameter of the reel is at least 30 times the diameter of the cable. Provide the cable in one continuous length per reel with no factory splices in the fiber. Provide a copy of the transmission loss test results as required by the TIA/EIA-455-61 standard, as well as results from factory tests performed prior to shipping.

- 4.2. **Installation in Conduit.** Install fiber optic cable in conduits in a method that does not alter the optical properties of the cable. If required, relocate existing cable to allow new fiber optic cable routing in conduits.

When pulling the cable, do not exceed the installation bending radius. Use rollers, wheels, or guides that have radii greater than the bending radius. Use a lubricating compound to minimize friction. Use fuse links and breaks to ensure that the cable tensile strength is not exceeded. Measure the pulling tension with a mechanical device and mechanism to ensure the maximum allowable pulling tension of 600 lbf is not exceeded at any time during installation.

Provide a single 1/C #14 XHHW insulated tracer wire in conduit runs where fiber optic cable is installed. Provide cable that is UL listed solid copper wire with orange color low density polyethylene insulation suitable for conduit installation and with a voltage rating of 600V. When more than one fiber optic cable is installed through a conduit run, only one tracer wire is required. Fuse or join tracer wires used in backbone, arterial, and drop runs, so that you have one continuous tracer wire. Terminate tracer wire at fiber optic test markers or equipment cabinets as identified in the plans for access to conduct a continuity test. Tracer wire will be paid for under Item 620, "Electrical Conductors."

Provide flat pull cord with a minimum tensile strength of 1,250 lb. in each conduit containing fiber optic cable. A traceable pull cord, with a metallic conducting material integral to the pull cord, may be substituted for a 1/C #14 tracer wire only with approval from the Department.

Seal conduit ends with a 2 part urethane after installation of fiber optic cable.

- 4.3. **Cable Installation between Pull Boxes and Cabinets or Buildings.** Do not break or splice a second fiber optic cable to complete a run when pulling the cable from the nearest ground box to a cabinet or building. Pull sufficient length of cable in the ground box to reach the designated cabinet or building. Pull the cable through the cabinet to coil, splice, or terminate the cable in the cabinet or building. Do not bend the cable beyond its minimum bend radius of 20 times the diameter.

Coil and tie cable inside cabinet, building, or boxes for future splicing or termination as shown in the plans. Cut off and remove the first 10 ft. of pulled or blown fiber stored. This work is incidental to this Item. Coat the open end of the coiled cable with protective coating and provide a dust cap.

- 4.4. **Aerial Installation.** Use pole attachment hardware and roller guides with safety clips to install aerial run cable. Maintain maximum allowable pulling tension of 600 lb. ft. during the pulling process for aerial run cable by using a mechanical device. Do not allow cable to contact the ground or other obstructions between poles during installation. Do not use a motorized vehicle to generate cable pulling forces. Use a cable suspension

clamp when attaching cable tangent to a pole. Select and place cable blocks and corner blocks so as not to exceed the cable's minimum bending radius. Do not pull cable across cable hangers. Store 100 ft. of fiber-optic cable slack, for future use, on all cable runs that are continuous without splices or where specified on the plans. Store spare fiber optic cable on fiber-optic cable storage racks of the type compatible with the aerial cable furnished. Locate spare cable storage in the middle of spans between termination points. Do not store spare fiber-optic cable over roadways, driveways or railroads.

Install standard cable on timber poles by lashing to steel messenger cable. Provide steel messenger cable in accordance with Item 625, "Zinc Coated Steel Wire Strand." Install all-dielectric self-supporting cable (ADSS) cable on timber poles using clinching clamp with cable hanger. Install aerial run cable in accordance with these specifications and as shown on the plans.

Locate aerial fiber in accordance with the NESC, Section 23, with respect to vertical clearances over the ground, between conductors carried on different supporting structures, and required separation distance of the cable from bridges, buildings, and other structures.

- 4.5. **Blowing Fiber Installation.** Use either the high-air speed blowing (HASB) method or the piston method. When using the HASB method, ensure that the volume of air passing through the conduit does not exceed 600 cu. ft. per min. or the conduit manufacturer's recommended air volume, whichever is more restrictive. When using the piston method, ensure that the volume of air passing through the conduit does not exceed 300 cu. ft. per min. or the conduit manufacturer's recommended air volume, whichever is more restrictive.

- 4.6. **Slack Cable.** Pull and store excess cable slack inside ITS ground boxes as shown on the plans. The following are minimum required lengths of slack cable, unless otherwise directed:

- ground boxes (No Splice) - 25 ft.,
- ground boxes (With Splice) - 100 ft.,
- future splice point - 100 ft., and
- cabinets - 25 ft.

Note that the slack is to be equally distributed on either side of the splice enclosure and secured to cable storage racks within the ground boxes.

Provide proper storage of slack cable, both long term and short term. Neatly bind cables to be spliced together from conduit to splice enclosure with tape. Do not over bind by pinching cable or fiber. Ground and bond the armor when installing armored fiber optic cable. Meet NEC and NESC requirements for grounding and bonding when using armored cable.

- 4.7. **Removal, Relocation and Reinstallation of Fiber Optic Cable.** Remove fiber optic cable from conduit as shown on plans. Use care in removing existing fiber optic cables so as not to damage them. Provide cable removal and reinstallation procedures that meet the minimum bending radius and tensile loading requirements during removal and reinstallation so that optical and mechanical characteristics of the existing cables are not degraded. Use entry guide chutes to guide the cable out of and in to existing or proposed conduit, utilizing lubricating compound where possible to minimize cable-to-conduit friction. Use corner rollers (wheels) with a radius not less than the minimum installation bending radius of cable. Dispose of removed fiber optic cable unless plans show for it to be re-used (relocated/re-installed) or salvaged and delivered to the Department. See plans for details. Test each optical fiber in the cable for performance and for loss at existing terminations or splices prior to cutting and removal. Retest following removal and following re-installation to ensure the removal and reinstallation has not affected the optical properties of the cable. Any fiber optic cable damaged by the contractor that is to be re-used shall be replaced by the contractor at no cost to the Department with new fiber optic cable meeting the approval of the Engineer. The Engineer reserves the right to reject the fiber based on the test results.

Maintain the integrity of existing cables, conduit, junction boxes and ground boxes contiguous to the section of cables to be removed. Replace or repair any cables, conduit, junction boxes or ground boxes damaged during work at the Contractor's expense. The replacement or repair method must be approved by the Engineer, prior to implementation.

- 4.8. **Splicing Requirements.** Fusion splice fibers as shown on the plans, in accordance with TIA/EIA-568 and TIA/EIA-758.

Use fusion splicing equipment recommended by the cable manufacturer. Clean, calibrate, and adjust the fusion splicing equipment at the start of each shift. Use splice enclosures, organizers, cable end preparation tools, and procedures compatible with the cable furnished. Employ local injection and detection techniques and auto fusion time control power monitoring to ensure proper alignment during fusion splicing.

When approaching end of shift or end of day, complete all splicing at the location. Package each spliced fiber in a protective sleeve or housing. Re-coat bare fiber with a protective 8 RTV, gel or similar substance, prior to application of the sleeve or housing.

Perform splices with losses no greater than 0.10 dB. Use an Optical Time Domain Reflectometer (OTDR) to test splices in accordance with Section 4.13.1.1. Record splice losses on a tabular form and submit for approval.

- 4.9. **Termination Requirements.** Provide matching connectors with 900 micron buffer fiber pigtails of sufficient length and splice the corresponding optical fibers in cabinets where the optical fibers are to be connected to terminal equipment. Buffer, strengthen, and protect pre-terminated fiber assemblies (pigtails) with dielectric aramid yarn and outer PVC jacket to reduce mishandling that can damage the fiber or connection. Pigtails must be duplex stranding with a yellow PVC outer jacket. Fiber optic pigtails must be factory terminated with SC connectors, unless otherwise shown on the plans. When providing pigtails for existing equipment, provide connectors suitable to be connected to patch panels and fiber optic transmission equipment in use.

Connectors must meet the TIA/EIA-568 and TIA/EIA-758 standards and be tested in accordance to the Telcordia/Bellcore GR-326-CORE standard. When tested according to TIA/EIA-455-171 (FOTP-171), ensure that the connectors test to an average insertion loss of less than or equal to 0.4 dB and a maximum loss of less than or equal to 0.75 dB for any mated connector. Maintain this loss characteristic for a minimum of 500 disconnections and reconnections with periodic cleanings per EIA-455-21A (FOTP-21). Qualify and accept connectors by the connector-to-connector mating using similar fibers. Ensure that the connector operating range is -40°F to 167°F. Provide connectors with a yellow color body or boot.

Test connections at the patch panel and splices made between cables to pigtails with the OTDR to verify acceptable losses.

Remove 5 ft. of unused optical fibers at the ends of the system from the buffer tube(s) and place coiled fibers into a splice tray. Clean the water blocking compound from all optical fibers destined for splice tray usage.

Install cable tags at all splice points identifying key features of each cable such as cable name or origin and destination and fiber count. Ensure tags are self-laminating or water resistant. Print the information onto the tags electronically or write neatly using a permanent marker. Locate tags just prior to entrance into splice enclosure.

- 4.10. **Mechanical Components.** Provide stainless steel external screws, nuts and locking washers. Do not use self-tapping screws unless approved. Provide corrosion resistant material parts and materials resistant to fungus growth and moisture deterioration.

- 4.11. **Experience Requirements.**

- 4.11.1. **Installing Fiber Optic Cable.** The Contractor or designated subcontractor involved in the installation of the fiber optic cable must meet the experience requirements in accordance with the following:

- minimum of 3 yr. of continuous existence offering services in the installation of fiber optic cable through an outdoor conduit system or aerial and terminating in ground boxes, field cabinets or enclosures or buildings, and

- completed a minimum of 3 projects where the personnel pulled a minimum of 5 mi. in length of fiber optic cable through an outdoor conduit system of aerial for each project. The completed fiber optic cable systems must have been in continuous satisfactory operation for a minimum of 1 yr.

4.11.2. **Splicing and Testing of Fiber Optic Cable.** The Contractor or designated subcontractor involved in the splicing and testing of fiber optic cable must meet the experience requirements in accordance with the following:

4.11.2.1. **Minimum Experience.** 3 yr. continuous existence offering services in the fields of fusion splicing and testing of fiber optic cable installed through a conduit system and terminating in ground boxes, field cabinets or enclosures or buildings. Experience must include all of the following:

- termination of a minimum of 48 fibers within a fiber distribution frame,
- OTDR testing and measurement of end to end attenuation of single mode and multimode fibers,
- system troubleshooting and maintenance,
- training of personnel in system maintenance,
- use of water-tight splice enclosures, and
- fusion splicing of fiber optic cable which meet the tolerable decibel (dB) losses within the range of 0.05 dB – 0.10 dB for single mode.

4.11.2.2. **Completed Projects.** A minimum of 3 completed projects where the personnel performed fiber optic cable splicing and terminations, system testing, system troubleshooting and maintenance during the course of the project and provided training on system maintenance. Each project must have consisted of a minimum 5 mi. of fiber optic cable installed, measured by project length not linear feet of fiber installed. The completed fiber optic cable systems must have been in continuous satisfactory operation for a minimum of 1 yr.

4.12. **Documentation Requirements.** Provide a minimum of 2 complete sets of fiber optic equipment submittal literature documenting compliance with the requirements of this Item including operation and maintenance manuals in hard copy format, bound, as well as an electronic version in Adobe PDF format on a CD/DVD or removable flash drive that includes the following:

- fiber optic cable literature consisting of manufacturer specification and cut sheets,
- fiber optic equipment literature consisting of manufacturer specification and cut sheets for splice enclosures, patch panels, splice trays, jumpers, cable storage devices, and fiber optic labeling devices,
- complete factory performance data documenting conformance with the performance and testing standards referenced in this Item, including pre-installation test results of the cable system,
- installation, splicing, terminating and testing plan and procedures,
- documentation of final terminated or spliced fibers, function, and equipment designation,
- OTDR calibration certificate,
- post-installation, post termination, subsystem, and final end-to-end test results,
- loss budget calculation and documentation,
- complete parts list including names of vendors,
- complete maintenance and trouble-shooting procedures, and
- proof of minimum experience and completed projects.

4.12.1. **Installation Practice.** Submit for approval electronic copy of the Contractors Installation Practices 30 working days prior to installation. Submit installation practices and procedures and a list of installation, splicing and test equipment used. Provide detailed field quality control procedures and corrective action procedures.

4.12.2. **Manufacturer's Certification.** Accompany each reel of fiber optic cable with the manufacturer's test data showing the conformance to the requirements in this Item.

4.12.3. **Test Procedures.** Submit test procedures and data forms for the pre-installation, post-installation, subsystem, final end to end test, and loss budget calculations for approval. Test procedures will require

approval before performing tests. Submit 1 copy data forms containing data and quantitative results, as well as an authorized signature. Submit a copy of the OTDR results as a hard copy or electronic copy in PDF format including all OTDR traces and clearly identifying each event (fusion splice, jumper, connector, etc.) with the measured loss identified.

- 4.13. **Testing.** Perform tests in accordance with testing requirements in this Item, USDA RUS CFR 1755.900, and TIA/EIA-455-61 test specifications. For all tests, provide test forms to be used that compare measured results with threshold values.

4.13.1. **Test Methods.**

- 4.13.1.1. **Optical Time Domain Reflectometer (OTDR) Tests.** Use the OTDR to measure fiber optic cable for overall attenuation (signal loss dB/km), fiber cable length, and identify fiber optic cable anomalies such as breaks. Perform the following 4 OTDR tests:

- pre-Installation test (Acceptance test),
- post installation test,
- post termination test, and
- final end to end test.

OTDR Settings:

- generate a file name for each OTDR scan. The file name must indicate the location or direction the test was run from, as well as the fiber number being tested,
- set the "A" cursor at the beginning of the fiber trace and set the "B" cursor at the end of the fiber trace. The distance to cursor "B" indicates the length of the fiber cable segment being measured,
- match the index of refraction to the index of the factory report,
- set the loss indicator to dB/km for the acceptance test,
- the reflectance is automatically set internally by the OTDR,
- set the pulse width at a medium range. Change the pulse width to a slow pulse width when an anomaly occurs on the fiber trace so that it can be examined closely,
- set the average at medium speed. Change the average to slow when an anomaly appears on the fiber trace to allow for closer examination of the anomaly, and
- set wavelength at 2 windows for single mode cable: 1310 nm and 1550 nm.

Provide the current OTDR calibration certificate for the device used, showing the unit has been calibrated within the last year. Show all settings on test result fiber scans.

- 4.13.1.2. **Pre-installation Tests.** Test and record the fiber optic cable at the site storage area prior to installation.

Conduct bi-directional OTDR tests for each fiber strand. Test each optical fiber in the cable from one end with an OTDR compatible with wavelength and fiber type. Check testing for length, point discontinuity, and approximate attenuation. Record each measurement by color, location, and type of fiber measured. Perform a measurement from the opposite end of that fiber in case a measurement cannot be made from one end. Wait for notification if loss per kilometer exceeds manufacturer's test data by more than 0.5 dB/km or point discontinuity greater than 0.05 dB.

Perform this test within 5 days from receipt of the fiber optic cable. Test overall attenuation (dB/km), total cable length, anomalies, and cable problems. Test cable at both wavelengths (1310 nm and 1550 nm for single mode cable). Verify that the cable markings on the outer jacket are within 1% of the total cable length.

Compare factory test results with test results and return to manufacturer if test results are not identical to factory test results. If identical, document the test results. Deliver documentation for future reference.

- 4.13.1.3. **Post-installation Tests.** Re-test and re-record each optical fiber in the cable after installation, before termination, for loss characteristics. Test both directions of operations of the fiber.

Immediately perform the post installation test after the fiber optic cable has been installed. Test cable for overall attenuation, cable segment length, and evidence of damage or microbend with the OTDR. Replace any cable segment that is damaged during the test and document test results. Submit test results for approval.

Use the same OTDR settings for Post-Installation Tests as the Pre-Installation Tests.

4.13.1.4. **Post Termination Tests.** Perform the post termination test after the cable is terminated or spliced, including termination of fiber cable to fiber cable or fiber cable to fiber pigtail and fiber cable to patch panels. Check attenuation, fusion or termination point problems, and overall fiber cable segment. Determine if the attenuation and quality of the termination complies with these Specifications; if not, re-terminate the fiber and re-test until the Specification requirements are met. Test the fiber segment for attenuation and anomalies after termination acceptance. Document and submit test results after fiber segment acceptance.

4.13.1.5. **Subsystem Tests.** Perform network subsystem tests after integration to the fiber optic network. Test the capability of the fiber optic cable to transmit video and digital information from node to node. A node is defined as a communication cabinet, hub cabinet, surveillance cabinet, or hub building where network hub switches are located. Complete and submit approved data forms for approval.

Correct and substitute components in the subsystem if the subsystem tests fail and repeat the tests. Components may include: cable, jumper, patch panel module, or connector.

Prepare and submit a report if a component was modified as result of the subsystem test failure. Describe in the report the failure and action taken to remedy the situation.

4.13.1.6. **Final End-to-End Test.** Perform final end to end Test after fiber cable segments of the system are terminated using the OTDR and an optical Power Meter and Light Source (PMLS).

Perform the Part 1 of the final end to end test using OTDR:

- measure the overall fiber cable system length,
- measure the overall system attenuation, and
- check for anomalies.

Perform the Part 2 of the final end to end test using a PMLS:

- measure the absolute power of the fiber optic signal across all links, and
- check for anomalies.

Document and submit results after test acceptance.

4.13.2. **Loss Budget Calculation and Documentation.** Calculate the total loss budget of the system according to the following calculations and compare the actual loss in each segment of the system to the calculated budget. Submit the results for each section of fiber optic cable in tabular format reporting if the total loss is within the limits of these Specifications by noting "pass" or "fail" for each segment of fiber. A segment of fiber is defined as one that terminates at each end. Use the following calculations to determine the loss budget for each segment:

- splice loss budget = number of splices x 0.1 dB/splice,
- connector loss budget = number of connectors x 0.75 dB/connector,
- length loss budget = length of fiber optic cable (measured by OTDR) x 0.35 dB/km for 1310 nm wavelength or 0.25 dB/km for 1550 nm wavelength, and
- total Loss Budget = splice loss budget + connector loss budget + length loss budget.

Provide loss budget calculation equations on test form to be submitted as part of the documentation requirements. Provide threshold calculations described above along with measured results.

- 4.14. **Training.** Conduct a BISC or IMSA certified training class (minimum of 16 hr.) for up to 10 representatives designated by the Department on procedures of installation, operations, testing, maintenance and repair of all equipment specified within this specification. Submit to the Engineer for approval, 10 copies of the training material at least 30 days before the training begins. Conduct training within the local area unless otherwise authorized by the Engineer Include the following training material:
- NESC, NEC, and ANSI/TIA 590 code compliance,
 - fiber optic cable pulling and installation techniques,
 - use of installation tools,
 - splicing and terminating equipment and test instruments,
 - trouble shooting procedures, and
 - methods of recording installation and test data.
- 4.15. **Warranty.** Provide a warranty for all materials furnished in this Item. Ensure that the fiber optic cable, the splice enclosures, splice centers, and cable markers have a minimum of a 2 yr. manufacturer's warranty and that 95% of that warranty remains at the date of final acceptance by the Engineer. If the manufacturer's warranties for the components are for a longer period, those longer period warranties will apply. Guarantee that the materials and equipment furnished and installed for this project performs according to the manufacturer's specifications.

Ensure that the manufacturer's warranties for off-the-shelf equipment consisting of splice enclosures, splice trays, connectors, fiber jumper cables, and fiber patch panels are fully transferable from the Contractor to the Department. Ensure that these warranties require the manufacturer to furnish replacements for any off-the-shelf part or equipment found to be defective during the warranty period at no cost to the Department within 10 calendar days of notification by the Department.

Ensure that the manufacturer's warranty for fiber optic cable is fully transferable from the Contractor to the Department. Ensure that the warranty requires the manufacturer to furnish replacement fiber optic cable found to be defective during the warranty period at no cost to the Department within 45 calendar days of notification by the Department.

5. MEASUREMENT

Fiber optic cable installed, relocated and removed will be measured by the linear foot. Fiber optic splice enclosures, rack mounted splice enclosures and fiber optic patch panels will be measured by each unit installed. Splicing of Fiber Optic Cables will be measured by each fusion splice performed.

6. PAYMENT

6.1. Furnish and Install.

The work performed and materials furnished in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under "Measurement" will be paid for at the unit price bid for "Fiber Optic Cable" of the various types, and number of fibers specified. This price is full compensation for furnishing and installing all cable; for pulling through conduit or duct; aerial installation; terminating; testing; and for materials, equipment, labor, tools, documentation, warranty, training and incidentals.

The work performed and materials furnished in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under "Measurement" will be paid for at the unit price bid for "Fiber Optic Splice Enclosure" of the various types and "Rack Mounted Splice Enclosure." This price is full compensation for furnishing and installing all enclosures whether aerial, underground, in cabinet or in building; and for materials, equipment, labor, tools, documentation, warranty, training and incidentals.

The work performed and materials furnished in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under "Measurement" will be paid for at the unit price bid for "Fiber Optic Fusion Splice" for each fusion splice

shown on the plans and performed. This price is full compensation for splicing; testing; and for materials, equipment, labor, tools, documentation, warranty, training and incidentals.

The work performed and materials furnished in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under "Measurement" will be paid for at the unit price bid for "Fiber Patch Panel" of the various types and sizes specified. This price is full compensation for furnishing and installing all patch panels and terminating fibers on the panel as shown on the plans; and for materials, equipment, labor, tools, documentation, warranty, training and incidentals.

Conduit will be paid for under Item 618, "Conduit" and Special Specification 6016, "ITS Multi-Duct Conduit."

Electrical conductors will be paid for under Item 620, "Electrical Conductors."

- 6.2. **Install Only.** The work performed and materials furnished in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under "Measurement" will be paid for at the unit bid price for "Fiber Optic Cable (Install Only)" of the various types, and number of fibers specified. This price is full compensation for installing fiber optic cable furnished by the Department; for pulling through conduit or duct; aerial installation; terminating; testing; and for materials, equipment, labor, tools, documentation, warranty, training and incidentals.

Conduit will be paid for under Item 618, "Conduit" and Special Specification 6016, "ITS Multi-Duct Conduit."

Electrical conductors will be paid for under Item 620, "Electrical Conductors."

- 6.3. **Relocate.** The work performed and materials furnished in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under "Measurement" will be paid for at the unit price bid for "Relocate Fiber Optic Cable." This price is full compensation for relocating all cable, regardless of cable size; for pulling through conduit or duct; aerial installation; terminating; testing; and for materials, equipment, labor, tools, documentation, and incidentals.

- 6.4. **Remove.** The work performed and materials furnished in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under "Measurement" will be paid for at the unit price bid for "Remove Fiber Optic Cable". This price is full compensation for removing all cable for salvage, regardless of cable size; testing; returning to the Department; and for materials, equipment, labor, tools, documentation, and incidentals.

Special Specification 6016

Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) Multi-Duct Conduit



1. DESCRIPTION

Furnish and install Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) multi-duct conduit identified for fiber optic communication use of the type and size specified. Provide conduit suitable for installation in an outdoor underground environment including constant immersion in water, mounted to retaining walls, and mounted above ground on the underside of a bridge without any degradation to the conduit.

2. MATERIALS

Provide new materials that comply with the details shown on the plans, the requirements of this Item, and the requirements of the following Items:

- Item 400, "Excavation and Backfill for Structures,"
- Item 401, "Flowable Fill,"
- Item 402, "Trench Excavation Protection,"
- Item 421, "Hydraulic Cement Concrete,"
- Item 445, "Galvanizing,"
- Item 476, "Jacking, Boring, or Tunneling Pipe or Box,"
- Item 618, "Conduit," and
- Item 620, "Electrical Conductors".

In addition, provide ITS multi-duct conduit meeting the requirements of the following Items:

- Underwriters Laboratories (UL) 651,2420, and 2515,
- National Electrical Manufacturers Association (NEMA) Standard TC-2,
- NEMA TC-7,
- NEMA TC-14B,
- National Electrical Code (NEC), and
- Departmental Materials Specification DMS 11030, "Conduit".

Provide underground ITS multi-duct conduit materials that have been tested and listed as defined in the NEC for the specific use to meet the following industry standards:

- Bellcore/Telcordia Technologies document GR-356,
- American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM)-D1784, Standard Specification for Rigid (PolyVinyl Chloride) (PVC) Compounds and (Chlorinated Poly Vinyl Chloride) (CPVC) Compounds,
- ASTM-D1785, Standard Specification for Poly (Vinyl Chloride) (PVC) Plastic Pipe, Schedules 40, 80, and 120,
- ASTM-D2122, Standard Test Method for Determining Dimensions of Thermoplastic Pipe and Fittings,
- ASTM-F2160, Standard Specification for Solid Wall High Density Polyethylene (HDPE) Conduit Based in Controlled Outside Diameter,
- ASTM-D2412, Standard Test Method for Determination of External Loading, and
- ASTM-D3350, Standard Specification for Polyethylene Plastic Pipe and Fittings Materials.

Provide above ground ITS multi-duct conduit materials that have been tested and listed as defined in the NEC for the specific use to meet the following industry standards:

- ASTM-A90, Standard Test Method for Weight of Coating on Iron and Steel Articles with Zinc-Alloy Coatings,
- ASTM-D2105, Standard Test Method for Longitudinal Tensile Properties of "Fiberglass" (Glass-Fiber-Reinforced Thermoplastic-Resin) Pipe and Tube, and
- ASTM-D2444, Standard Test Method for Determination of the Impact Resistance of Thermoplastic Pipe and Fittings by Means of a Tup (Falling Weight).

3. EQUIPMENT

3.1. General Requirements.

- 3.1.1. **Pre-Assembled Multi-Duct.** Provide a pre-assembled multi-duct conduit system of the material type specified with a nominal 4 in. inner diameter round outer duct containing 4 factory installed 1.25 in. nominal diameter round inner ducts. Inner ducts must be held together in a square configuration by a system of spacers. The design of the spacers, which hold the individual conduits in formation, must be capable of locking them tightly together to prevent free twisting of the inner ducts.

For pre-assembled multi-duct, provide a single protective end cap for each bundled 10 ft. or 20 ft. conduit sections, factory bends, and fittings.

- 3.1.2. **Fittings.** Provide all required sweeps, bends, repair couplings, ground box termination kits, alternative outer ducts, adapters, preassembled split repair kits, lubrication access fittings, tug-plugs, slit-inner duct plugs, hangers, brackets, expansion joints, and accessories to complete the conduit system as incidentals.

- 3.1.3. **Flexural Modulus.** Do not exceed the ovality of the conduit system by 5%.

3.1.4. Environmental Requirements.

For underground construction, provide conduit that will perform in an ambient temperature range of -30°F to 122°F without degradation of material properties In accordance with the NEC.

For above ground conduit construction, provide conduit that performs in an ambient temperature range of -60°F to 200°F without degradation of material properties.

- 3.1.5. **Corrosion Resistance.** Provide a conduit system that is resistant to most harsh chemicals and protected against degradation due to oxidation or general corrosion.

- 3.1.6. **Direct Bury.** Provide a conduit system capable of being installed by trenching or boring as shown on the plans.

- 3.1.7. **Free of Defects.** Provide a conduit system free of visible cracks, holes, or other physical defects that would degrade its performance.

- 3.1.8. **Uniformity.** Provide conduit that is uniform as practical in respect to overall dimensions, color, density, and thickness.

- 3.1.9. **Stabilization.** Provide conduit with a UV light stabilizer which will protect it, for a minimum of 12 mo., from degradation due to prolonged exposure to direct sunlight.

- 3.1.10. **Conduit Identification.** Provide conduit with a durable identification labeling showing the name and trademark of the manufacturer, conduit size, date of manufacture and "TxDOT - Fiber Optic Cable System" identification.

- 3.1.11. **Grounding.** Provide a bare copper No. 8 AWG system grounding conductor, in accordance with Item 620, "Electrical Conductors", in 1 inner duct of the conduit duct system if no other cable is to be installed in the conduit system for use as a grounding conductor between ground boxes.
- 3.2. **Outer Duct.**
- 3.2.1. **PVC Multi-Duct.** Provide heavy walled Schedule 40 polyvinyl chloride (PVC) or heavy walled Schedule 80 PVC outer duct with a nominal inside diameter (ID) of 4 in. as shown on the plans or as directed for underground construction. Provide minimum 20 ft. sections of conduit.
- Incorporate a longer integral bell in place of the standard 3-1/2 in. bell to accommodate the length of the coupling body.
- Provide 4 in. Schedule 40 conduit with an average outside diameter (OD) of 4.5 in. and a minimum wall thickness of 0.237 in..
- Provide 4 in. Schedule 80 conduit, or equivalent with an average OD of 4.75 in. and a minimum wall thickness of 0.337 in. When providing an equivalent to Schedule 80, provide independent laboratory testing certifications showing the equivalent product meets or exceeds performance and testing requirements to that of Schedule 80.
- 3.2.2. **Rigid Metal Multi-Duct.** Provide galvanized rigid metal conduit (RMC) outer duct with a nominal ID of 4 in. as shown on the plans or as directed. Provide a minimum 10 ft. section of conduit.
- Provide 4 in. RMC with an average OD of 4.5 in. and a minimum wall thickness of 0.225 in.
- 3.2.3. **Fiberglass Multi-Duct.** Provide, bullet resistant, pure, high grade, reinforced thermosetting resin conduit outer duct with a nominal ID of 4 in. as shown on the plans or as directed. Provide a minimum 10 ft. section of conduit.
- Provide 4 in. fiberglass conduit with a minimum OD of 4.25 in. and a minimum wall thickness of 0.250 in.
- 3.3. **Inner ducts.** Provide inner duct Schedule 40 PVC or High Density Polyethylene (HDPE) conduit with a 1.25 in. nominal diameter. Extrude inner ducts in a controlled OD fashion.
- 3.3.1. **Spacers.** Hold together the inner ducts with spacers located throughout each section of conduit. Factory install the system of spacers to hold inner ducts in place during transport and maintain alignment within the outer duct. Mold spacers from high impact plastic, and be factory certified to withstand all handling pressures and stresses.
- 3.3.2. **Longitudinal Ribbing.** For HDPE inner ducts, incorporate longitudinal ribbing and permanent dry lubricant that is extruded to provide friction reduction in cable installation.
- 3.3.3. **Identification by Color.** Provide inner ducts that are uniquely defined by the extrusion of a different color for each of the inner ducts; colors must be orange, yellow, red, and black.
- Provide black inner duct that is placed directly in line with the manufacturer's identification on the outer duct for ease of identification and installation.
- Duct designated for backbone fiber will be black in color; duct designated for distribution fiber will be orange and red in color; and duct designated for drop (field cabinet) fibers cable will be yellow in color.
- 3.3.4. **Pull Cord.** Provide a flat pull cord in all empty inner ducts. Provide a pull cord with a tensile strength of 1,250 lb. minimum and have foot markings to determine length installed.

- 3.4. **Fittings.** Provide fittings with the same material to the connecting conduit unless otherwise shown on the plans.
- 3.5. **Coupling Body.** Provide a factory installed primary coupling body that is manufactured as a hard plastic coupling body incorporating conical shaped target areas to accommodate self-alignment of each inner duct upon field assembly.
- Provide a coupling body that incorporates sealing devices to facilitate field assembly and prevent water and foreign material leakage from outside the multi-duct system and to prevent air leakage from inside the inner ducts. Assemble solely by hand without use of special tools such that no lubricant will be required for field assembly of this conduit system.
- Provide the coupling body with its sealing members sealing the outer walls of the inner ducts and the inner wall of the outer duct providing an airtight seal from within the inner duct system and a watertight seal from the outside of the outer duct.
- Provide the gasket or sealing members that is an anti-reversing design in such that the lengths of conduit stay joined together without the need for solvent cement.
- Provide the field connection end of the internal coupling body that incorporates shaped target areas to accommodate self-alignment of the inner ducts with bore openings during field assembly.
- Provide the coupling body that has one of the bore openings on the field assembly side uniquely identified to facilitate proper continuous inner duct alignment during field assembly.
- The coupling body must seal the inner duct so that after the application of 100 psi to an inner duct, the inner duct must be capable of maintaining a minimum of 15 psi for 24 hr. Employ an approved independent commercial testing laboratory to perform the above test. Submit certified reports of test to Department.
- 3.6. **Expansion Joints.** Provide expansion joints having a material similar to the connecting conduit unless otherwise shown on the plans.
- Use conduit expansion fittings at structure expansion joint crossings.
- 3.7. **Termination Kits.** Provide end or pass-through termination kits from the same conduit manufacturer for termination in ground boxes and junction boxes.
- Ensure a watertight seal of conduit to structure wall when terminating conduit.
- 3.8. **Multi-Duct Sweeps.** Conduit deflection should not deviate more than 1 in. horizontally or vertically per foot (1:12) of running length of conduit. Long conduit sweeps should be used wherever possible to change conduit direction in order to reduce the pulling tension required during cable installation.
- For conduit deflection at obstructions, utilities, or transitions to structures where the 1:12 deflection requirement above or long sweeps are not possible, use complete conduit manufactured minimum 36 in. radius sweeps (11-1/4°, 22-1/2°, 30°, 45°, and 90° angles) complete with bell and spigot. Do not field bend conduit.
- 3.9. **Fiber Optic Cable Route Markers.** Furnish tubular delineator markers, minimum 6 ft. in length and a minimum 3 in. OD, and constructed of Type III HDPE material. Provide marker assemblies that are orange in color and ultraviolet stabilized to help prevent components from color fading, warping, absorbing water, and deterioration with prolonged exposure to the elements. Refer to the Standard Details for details of the text on the decal that should be affixed to each marker. Ensure that all markers furnished on this project are new and consistent in appearance.

Install markers using a method that firmly and securely anchors the marker a minimum of 1 ft. into the ground to prohibit twisting and easy removal. When located at an ITS ground box, marker may be placed within the concrete riprap apron avoiding rebar reinforcement. Spacing between markers should not exceed 1,000 ft. or as shown on the plans and placed at significant changes in direction such as a 90° turn. Do not place markers in any roadway paved surface.

4. CONSTRUCTION

- 4.1. **Underground Construction.** Place conduit in accordance with the lines, grades, details and dimensions shown on the plans or as directed. Maintain constant slope to prevent water from being trapped in the conduit system.

Ream all conduit ends to remove burrs and sharp edges.

Install underground conduit system a minimum of 42 in. from ground surface to the top of the conduit unless otherwise directed or to avoid utility conflicts or field conditions. When conditions require trench depths greater than 5 ft., provide trench protection in accordance with Item 402, "Trench Excavation Protection." Install conduit in accordance with the requirements of the NEC and USDA RUS.

Fasten all external conduit placed on structures with conduit straps or hangers as shown on the plans or as directed. Conduit straps, hanger systems, and junction boxes are incidental to this Item.

Fit the conduit terminations with bushings or bell ends with duct plugs. Seal inner ducts with duct plugs within 24 hr. of conduit placement. This includes but is not limited to intermediate or incomplete sections of conduit system prior to conduit splicing or termination in ground boxes.

Document Global Positioning System (GPS) coordinate points, in NAD83, and provide to the Department for shifts or deviations of the ITS multi-duct alignment from the plans required to avoid obstructions or utilities. GPS coordinate points to be recorded at the point of curvature and point of tangent for horizontal or vertical transitions and include installed depth.

- 4.1.1. **Proofing.** Prior to installation of cables or final acceptance, pull a spherical template having a diameter of not less than 75% of the inside diameter of the inner duct through the inner duct to insure that the inner duct is free from obstruction. At the conclusion of proofing, fit ends of all empty inner ducts with duct plugs or caps within 24 hr.

- 4.2. **Trench Construction.** Provide minimum Schedule 40 PVC conduit when conduit is installed through trenching method unless otherwise shown on the plans or as directed.

Provide a 2 in. minimum layer of sand at the bottom of the trench to serve as a bedding material for construction.

Provide conduit spacers made of a non-metallic material designed for installation underground and encased in concrete. Spacers should be of the type recommended by the conduit manufacturer and designed with an interlocking device and stackable to relieve the conduit of both horizontal and vertical stress. Provide spacers sized appropriately for the conduit with a minimum height of 2 in. spaced at 5 ft. intervals throughout the trench. Set conduit spacers directly on the sand bedding. Spacers must be anchored to prevent floating of conduit system and maintain constant slope.

Conduit system will be encased in the following materials based on depth of trench:

- 4.2.1. **Greater than 24 in.** For trench depths greater than 24 in. from the ground surface to the top of the ITS multi-duct conduit, encase the conduits in flowable fill to an elevation of 6 in. above the top of conduit in accordance with Item 401, "Flowable Backfill," or Class B concrete, maximum aggregate size 5, in accordance with Item 421, "Hydraulic Cement Concrete." Class B concrete at the discretion of the Engineer and will be shown on the plans. Backfill above encasement as defined in Section 4.2.3.

- 4.2.2. **Less than 24 in.** When a trench depth less than 24 in. is required, encase the conduits in Class B concrete, maximum aggregate size 5, to an elevation of 6 in. above the top of conduit in accordance with Item 421, "Hydraulic Cement Concrete." Backfill above encasement as defined in Section 4.2.3.
- 4.2.3. **Excavation and Backfill.** Trench, excavate, and backfill as shown on the plans and in accordance with Item 400, "Excavation and Backfill for Structures."
- 4.2.4. **Marking Tape.** Place a 4 in. wide detectable underground metalized mylar conduit marking tape over the ITS conduit at a minimum depth of 1 ft. below grade when no other electrical marking tape required or 8 in. below electrical marking tape when provisioned under Item 618, "Conduit".
- Imprint the marking tape "TxDOT Conduit and Fiber Optic Cable System - Call TxDOT Before Proceeding" every 18 in.
- 4.2.5. **Restoration of Trench Areas.** Where existing surfacing is removed for placing conduit, repair by backfilling with material equal in composition and density to the surrounding areas and by replacing any removed surfacing, such as asphalt pavement or concrete riprap, with like material to equivalent condition in accordance with Item 400, "Excavation and Backfill for Structures."
- 4.3. **Boring Construction.** Jacking and boring when required will be in accordance with Item 476, "Jacking, Boring, or Tunneling Pipe or Box"..
- When boring under pavement shallower than 48 in. from finish grade to top of conduit, provide Schedule 40 steel casing under pavement to encase the conduit system as shown on the plans unless otherwise directed. Provide steel casing of a size to accommodate all conduits in addition to 20% space capacity for pulling conduits through the steel casing. Steel casing will be furnished in accordance with this Item.
- During boring operation, locate bore head every 10 ft. along the bore path and before traversing underground utilities or structures. Use digital walkover locating system to track bore head during boring operation. Ensure locating system is capable of determining pitch, roll, heading, depth, and horizontal position of the bore head and document this information at the intervals specified above for as-built information..
- 4.4. **Above Ground Construction.** Place conduit in accordance with the lines, grades, details and dimensions shown on the plans or as directed. Maintain constant slope to prevent water from being trapped in the conduit system.
- Provide rigid metal conduit or fiberglass conduit for outer duct when system is mounted externally along a bridge or above ground structure. Provide fiberglass or other non-corrosive outer duct for coastal Districts where conduit is exposed to corrosive environments due to salt in the air.
- Provide rigid metal conduit outer duct that is hot-dipped galvanized in accordance with Item 445, "Galvanizing."
- Ground rigid metal conduit in accordance with the Department's Electrical Details and in accordance with the NEC.
- Provide fiberglass conduit that is bullet resistant, heavy walled, pure, high grade, reinforced thermosetting resin conduit.
- Provide conduit, elbows, and fittings that are manufactured from the same resin, hardener, or glass systems manufactured by the same filament wound system.
- 4.5. **Testing.** Perform tests in accordance with industry testing requirements identified in Article 2, "Materials."
- 4.5.1. **General.** Furnish certified documentation from an independent testing laboratory documenting compliance with all ASTM, NEMA, NEC, UL, and Telcordia Technologies standards as referenced in this Item.

Provide test procedures and blank test forms and conduct performance tests for all materials and equipment not previously tested and approved. If technical data is not considered adequate for approval, samples may be requested for test. The Contract period will not be extended for time lost or delays caused by testing prior to final approval of any items.

Compare the results of each test with the requirements of this Item. Failure to conform to the requirements of any test must be identified as a defect and the materials will be subject to rejection by the Engineer. Offer rejected materials again for retest provided all non-compliances have been corrected and retested by the Contractor with evidence submitted to the Engineer.

- 4.5.2. **Examination of Product.** Examine each conduit system component prior to installation carefully to verify that the materials, design, construction, markings, and workmanship comply with the requirements of this Item.
- 4.5.3. **References.** The ITS multi-duct conduit system supplier must submit 3 references, preferably State Departments of Transportation, where this supplier's conduit system has functioned successfully for a period of no less than 1 yr. Include current name and address of organization, and the current name and telephone number of an individual from the organization who can be contacted to verify system installation. Provide this information with documentation submittal. Failure to furnish the above references will be sufficient reason for rejection of the supplier's equipment.
- 4.6. **Documentation Requirements.** Submit documentation of the conduit system consisting of the following for Engineer approval 30 days prior to installation:
- manufacturer specifications or cut sheets for all components of the conduit duct system,
 - laboratory certified material test reports documenting conformance with pertinent standards identified under Article 2, "Materials",
 - GPS coordinates,
 - pre-installation test procedures,
 - post-installation test procedures, and
 - as-built of installed conduit system.

5. MEASUREMENT

ITS multi-duct conduit will be measured by the linear foot of the multi-duct conduit system.

Fiber optic cable road marker will be measured by each maker furnished and installed.

6. PAYMENT

The work performed and materials furnished in accordance with this Item and measured as provided for under "Measurement" will be paid for at the unit price bid for "ITS Multi-Duct Conduit" of the types and construction method specified. This price is full compensation for furnishing and installing conduit; for jacking, boring, steel encasement, excavating, furnishing, and placing backfill; concrete encasement; replacing pavement structure, sod, riprap, curbs, or other surface; testing of the conduit system; for furnishing and installing all fittings, clamps, sweeps, bends, repair couplings, adapters, ground box or manhole termination kits, pre-assembled split repair kits, lubrication access, fittings, hangers, brackets, junction boxes, expansion joints, concrete, and detectable underground metalized mylar conduit marking tape; pull cords, and for all labor, tools, equipment and incidentals necessary to complete the work.

The work performed and materials furnished in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under "Measurement" will be paid for at the unit price bid for "Fiber Optic Cable Road Marker." This price is full compensation for furnishing and installing all cable markers; and for materials, equipment, labor, tools, documentation, warranty, training and incidentals.

Copper grounding conductor will be paid under Item 620, "Electrical Conductors."

This Item applies only to ITS multi-duct conduit. Any other conduit for communication or electrical use will be in accordance with and paid for under Item 618, "Conduit."

Special Specification 6038

Multipolymer Pavement Markings (MPM)



1. DESCRIPTION

Provide MPM on pavement surfaces shown on the plans to meet the performance requirements of this Specification for:

- color,
- durability, and
- retroreflectivity.

2. MATERIALS

- 2.1. **Multipolymer Pavement Marking Materials.** Use materials that produce an adherent, retroreflective pavement marking system that meets all of the performance requirements of this Specification. Use materials that do not result in the generation of any hazardous materials/wastes, as defined in Section 1.3.60., "Hazardous Materials or Waste," during application or removal. If requested, provide a laboratory report from a commercial laboratory indicating material used does not result in the generation of any hazardous materials/wastes, as defined in Section 1.3.60., during application or removal.

Use a multipolymer resin material, which is:

- 2-component (a predominantly multipolymer pigmented resin component with a curing agent component);
- 100% solids, producing no toxic fumes when heated to application temperature;
- track-free in less than 40 min. with appropriate ambient temperature as recommended by the manufacturer;
- formulated and tested to perform as a pavement marking material with glass spheres applied to the surface; and
- on the Material Producer List for [Pavement Markings \(Multipolymer\)](#) maintained by CST/M&P for MPM. Inclusion onto the MPL requires documentation of acceptable performance from Department pavement marking field application that have been in place for at least 1 yr. Contact CST/M&P to initiate and document field trials of new materials for MPL consideration.

Before work begins, provide a laboratory report from an independent testing laboratory showing that the initial color of each material selected for use conforms to the color limits set forth in Table 1, measured by 45°/0° geometry CIE, D65 Illuminant, 2° standard observation angle in accordance with ASTM E 1347, E 1348, or E 1349.

- 2.2. **Nonreflectorized Contrast or Shadow Markings.** The marking material used for the contrast or shadow marking must conform to the same formulation, material, prequalification, and sampling requirements with the exception of the following items:

- color pigment used;
- documentation of acceptable performance from Department pavement marking field application that have been in place for at least 1 yr.; and
- glass spheres must be replaced with a black, color-fast, anti-skid material.

Before work begins, provide a laboratory report from an independent testing laboratory showing that the initial color of each material selected for use conforms to the color limits set forth in Table 1, measured by

45°/0° geometry CIE, D65 Illuminant, 2° standard observation angle in accordance with ASTM E 1347, E 1348, or E 1349.

3. EQUIPMENT

Provide equipment as required or directed according to the following:

- 3.1. **Preparation and Application.** Use equipment designed for the pavement preparation and application of the type of MPM material selected.
- 3.2. **Colorimeter.** Provide a colorimeter using 45°/0° geometry CIE, D65 Illuminant, 2° standard observation angle meeting the requirements of ASTM E 1347, E 1348, or E 1349.
- 3.3. **Retroreflector.** Unless otherwise shown on the plans, provide a portable or mobile retroreflector meeting the following requirements.
- 3.3.1. **Portable Retroreflector.** Provide a portable retroreflector that meets the requirements of ASTM E 1710.
- 3.3.2. **Mobile Retroreflector.** Provide a mobile retroreflector that:
- is approved by the Construction Division (CST) for project evaluation of retroreflectivity, which will include taking a set of readings on stripes designated by CST and comparing them with the readings of a portable retroreflector provided by CST that meets the specifications indicated in this Specification;
 - is calibrated daily, before measuring retroreflectivity on any pavement stripe, with a portable retroreflector meeting the following requirements: ASTM E 1710, entrance angle of 88.76°, observation angle of 1.05°, and an accuracy of ±15%;
 - requires no traffic control when retroreflectivity measurements are taken and is capable of taking continuous readings; and
 - documents mobile retroreflector evaluations, showing average retroreflectivity values for each 0.25-mi. section, or the area of concern if it is less than 0.25 mi., with all deficient sections clearly marked.

4. CONSTRUCTION

- 4.1. **General.** Prepare the pavement surface using controlled techniques that minimize pavement damage and hazards to the traveling public. Apply the MPM materials according to the manufacturer's recommendations using widths, colors, and shapes, and at locations as shown on the plans.
- Obtain approval for the sequence of work and estimated daily production. Use traffic control as shown on the plans or as approved. Establish guides to mark the lateral location of pavement markings as shown on the plans or as directed, and have guide locations verified. Use material for guides that will not leave a permanent mark on the roadway. Apply markings in alignment with the guides and without deviating for the alignment more than 1 in. per 200 ft. of roadway or more than 2 in. maximum. Remove all applied markings that are not in alignment or sequence as stated in the plans or as stated in the specifications at the Contractor's expense and in accordance with Item 677, "Eliminating Existing Pavement Markings and Markers," except for measurement and payment.
- 4.2. **Initial Performance Requirements.** Meet the following initial performance requirements after installation. Perform an initial performance evaluation from 7 to 15 days after MPM are installed to verify that the MPM meet the performance requirements for retroreflectivity. Conduct initial retroreflectivity evaluations of placed pavement markings with either a portable or a mobile retroreflector, unless otherwise shown on the plans, according to Section 6038.5.2., "Retroreflectivity." The Contractor is responsible for traffic control when conducting performance evaluations.

The Engineer will conduct a visual evaluation for color and durability and require testing only if MPM do not appear to meet the performance requirements.

For MPM not meeting performance requirements, repair or replace until re-evaluation shows the MPM meet the performance requirements.

- 4.2.1. **Color.** Provide MPM consisting of pigments blended to provide color conforming to standard highway colors as shown in Table 1.

Table1
Color Requirements

Federal 595 Color		Chromaticity Coordinates								Brightness (Y)
		1		2		3		4		
		x	y	x	y	x	y	x	y	
White	17855	.290	.315	.310	.295	.350	.340	.330	.360	60 Min
Yellow	33538	.470	.455	.510	.489	.490	.432	.537	.462	30 Min
Black	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5 Max

- 4.2.2. **Retroreflectivity.** Provide MPM meeting the minimum retroreflectivity values listed in Table 2.

Table2
Minimum Retroreflectivity Requirements

Color	Retroreflectivity, mcd/m ² /lx, Min
White	250
Yellow	175

- 4.2.3. **Durability.** Provide MPM that do not lose more than 5% of the striping material in a 1,000-ft. section of continuous stripe or broken stripe (25 broken stripes). Pavement markings must remain in the proper alignment and location.

5. PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS

Provide traffic control and conduct evaluations of color, retroreflectivity, and durability as required or directed.

- 5.1. **Color.** Measure the color using 45°/0° geometry CIE, D65 Illuminant, 2° standard observation angle in accordance with ASTM E 1347, E 1348, or E 1349.
- 5.2. **Retroreflectivity.** Unless otherwise shown on the plans, conduct retroreflectivity evaluations of pavement markings with either a portable or a mobile retroreflectometer. Make all measurements in the direction of traffic flow, except for broken centerline on 2-way roadways, where measurements will be made in both directions.

If using a portable retroreflectometer, take a minimum of 1 measurement every mile on each series of markings (i.e., edgeline, center skip line, each line of a double line, etc.), at approved locations. If more than 1 measurement is taken, average the measurements. For all markings measured in both directions, take a minimum of 1 measurement in each direction. If the measurement taken on a specific series of markings within each mile segment falls below the minimum retroreflectivity values, take a minimum of 5 more measurements within that mile segment for that series of marking. If the average of these 5 measurements falls below the minimum retroreflectivity requirements, that mile segment of the applied markings does not meet the performance requirement.

If using a mobile retroreflectometer, review the results to determine deficient sections and deficient areas of interest. These areas do not meet the performance requirements.

- 5.3. **Durability.** Measure the durability in accordance with ASTM D 913 for marking material loss and visual inspection for alignment and location. Conduct evaluations at approved locations.

6. MEASUREMENT

This Item will be measured by the foot. Each stripe will be measured separately.

This is a plans quantity measurement Item. The quantity to be paid is the quantity shown in the proposal unless modified by Article 9.2, "Plans Quantity Measurement." Additional measurements or calculations will be made if adjustments of quantities are required.

7. PAYMENT

The work performed and materials furnished in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under "Measurement" will be paid for at the unit price bid for "Multipolymer Pavement Markings (MPM)" of the type and color specified and the shape, width, and size specified as applicable, at the time of project acceptance. This price is full compensation for materials, application of MPM, equipment, labor, tools, and incidentals.

Surface preparation, when shown on the plans, will be paid for under Item 678, "Pavement Surface Preparation for Markings."

Special Specification 6058

Battery Back-Up System for Signal Cabinets



1. DESCRIPTION

Install a Battery Back-Up System (BBU System) for traffic signals that will provide reliable emergency power in the event of utility power failure or interruption. The system will also function as a power conditioner and/or voltage regulation device.

A BBU System consists of inverter/charger, manual bypass switch, power transfer switch or automatic bypass switch, batteries, battery monitoring device, wiring, external cabinet or stand-alone cabinet, concrete pad, all necessary hardware and software, and all associated equipment required to operate in a field environment.

The BBU System shall be capable of operating an "LED only" signalized intersection (700W load) for 4 hours of full runtime when utility power is disabled and under ambient temperatures of 25oC. The BBU System shall switch the intersection to flash mode of operation when approximately 40% of battery charge is remaining, via relay contact connection points on the front panel of the unit. The BBU system shall operate the intersection in the flash mode of operation (300W load) for an additional 2 hours. BBU system components shall be rated for a minimum 1400W load capacity.

The BBU shall be designed for outdoor applications in accordance with NEMA TS2-2003, Section 2. All components of the BBU system shall be rated to operate under temperature extremes of -34oC to +74oC.

2. DEFINITIONS

- 2.1. **Automatic Bypass Switch.** A unit connected between the utility power supply and the inverter/charger which can automatically switch power to the controller cabinet service panel from inverter output power to utility line power.
- 2.2. **Battery Back-Up System (BBU System).** The battery back-up system includes, but is not limited to, a manual bypass switch, automatic bypass switch or power transfer switch, inverter/charger, batteries, battery monitoring device, wiring, external cabinet and all necessary hardware for system operation.
- 2.3. **Battery Back-Up System Software.** All software associated with operation, programming and functional requirements of the BBU system.
- 2.4. **Battery Monitoring Device.** The device which monitors battery temperatures and charge rate of the batteries used in the BBU system.
- 2.5. **Batteries.** Standard 12V batteries wired in series to create a 36VDC to 96VDC voltage storage.
- 2.6. **Boost.** When enabled, the BBU inverter/charger shall automatically switch into this mode to raise the utility line voltage when it drops below a preset limit. The limit may be user defined or use manufacturer default settings (typically 100V AC).
- 2.7. **Buck.** When enabled, the unit shall automatically switch into this mode to reduce the utility line voltage when it rises above a preset limit. The limit may be user defined or use manufacturer default settings (typically 135V AC).
- 2.8. **External or Stand-Alone Cabinet.** The structure which houses the system components and/or batteries for the BBU System.

- 2.9. **Inverter/Charger.** The unit which converts the DC voltage input into 120 VAC output for the traffic signal cabinet to operate. As a minimum the inverter/charger shall be rated for 1400 watts.
- 2.10. **Inverter Line Voltage.** The power supplied from the BBU system to the traffic signal cabinet from the BBU System inverter.
- 2.11. **Manual Bypass.** Manual switch that allows user to bypass BBU power to service system equipment. Manual bypass switch switches utility line power directly to cabinet.
- 2.12. **Power Transfer Switch.** A unit connected between the utility power supply and the inverter/charger which can automatically switch from utility line power to inverter output power. The power transfer relay may be a separate unit or combined with the manual bypass switch. In the event of battery voltage loss, the power transfer switch will automatically return to utility line power.
- 2.13. **Signal Operation Mode.** A signalized intersection generating a 700W load when running in normal operation.
- 2.14. **Signal Flash Mode.** A signalized intersection generating a 300W load when running in the flash mode of operation.
- 2.15. **Utility Line Voltage.** The 120V AC power supplied to the BBU system.

3. EQUIPMENT

Ensure electrical materials and construction methods conform to the current NEC and additional local utility requirements. Furnish battery back-up systems prequalified by the Department. The Traffic Operations Division maintains a Material Producer List (MPL) of prequalified battery back-up systems. Ensure all materials and construction methods conform to the details shown on the plans, the requirements of this Item, and the pertinent requirements of the following Items:

- Item 420, "Concrete Substructures"
- Item 620, "Electrical Conductors"

Provide and install a BBU system that is able to fulfill the following requirements:

- 3.1. **Method of Operation.** The BBU system shall operate using one or more of the following methods:
- 3.1.1. **Buck and Boost Method.** When the buck and boost functions are enabled they shall set the upper and lower control limit allowable for the utility line voltage.
- If the utility line voltage fluctuates above or below the buck and boost values, the BBU system shall raise or lower the voltage by approximately 10-15% of the utility line voltage in an attempt to bring the voltage back into the upper and lower control limits. Buck and boost shall have preset manufacturer defaults.
- If the utility line voltage falls above or below the functional capabilities of buck and boost, then the BBU system will transfer power from the utility line voltage to the inverter line voltage.
- 3.1.2. **Stand-by Method.** The stand-by method shall set upper and lower control limits for the utility line power. If the utility line voltage falls above or below the upper or lower control limits, then the BBU system will transfer power from the utility line voltage to the inverter line voltage.
- 3.1.3. **Continuous Operating Mode, Double Conversion Method.** The continuous method supplies the cabinet with inverter line voltage at all times. This method requires the disabling of buck and boost functions.
- 3.2. **System Capabilities.** The BBU system shall be capable of providing 1400W peak load, with a minimum of 80% inverter efficiency, for at least 10 seconds.

The BBU system shall be capable of providing 700W signal operation load for a minimum of 4 hours, and then switching to and providing 300W signal flash load for an additional 2 hours minimum, when batteries are fully charged.

When the BBU system is running on battery power, the inverter/charger shall be capable of allowing the voltage at which the transition from normal operating load to flash mode occurs (usually 47.5V) to be selected by a user, via relay contacts and connection points on the front panel of the inverter/charger.

The transfer time allowed, from disruption of normal utility line voltage to stabilized inverter line voltage from batteries, shall be less than 65 milliseconds. The same allowable transfer time shall also apply when switching from inverter line voltage to utility line voltage.

The BBU system shall bypass utility line voltage whenever the utility line voltage is outside of the manufacturer's default, or a user-programmed voltage range, $\pm 2\text{VAC}$.

When the utility line power has been restored to a normal operating voltage for more than a user defined setting (default 30 seconds), the BBU system shall transfer from inverter line voltage to utility line voltage. The BBU system shall be equipped to prevent a malfunction feedback to the cabinet or from feeding back to the utility service.

The BBU system shall be compatible with TS1, TS2 and Model 170/2070 controllers and cabinet components for full run-time operation.

Unless the plans indicate otherwise, provide a BBU in an external battery cabinet. When indicated by the plans, provide a BBU system that can be shelf-mounted in NEMA TS-1 and TS-2 cabinets, or rack-mounted for Model 170/2070 332 cabinets. Provide a manual bypass that is capable of shelf mounting or that can be attached to the side of the signal cabinet. Provide interconnect cables that are no less than 10 ft. in length.

Relay contact wiring for each set of NO/NC relay contact closure terminals shall be no less than 6 feet long and #18 AWG wire. Use manufacturer recommendations for size of wire for any cables lengths greater than 10 feet.

The BBU system shall have lightning surge protection compliant with IEEE/ANSI C.62.41 latest edition and meeting all current UL1449 standards. Lightning surge protection shall be provided to the utility line voltage coming into the inverter/charger. The surge protection device shall be easily accessible and mounted externally from the inverter/charger.

The BBU system, including batteries and hardware, shall be easily replaceable and shall not require any special tools for installation.

The BBU system shall operate in automatic "fail-safe" mode. Should a breaker trip on the inverter/charger and/or the power transfer switch, the system will automatically operate from utility line power and bypass the BBU system.

As stated above, in addition to the inverter/charger, the BBU shall be provided with both an external manual bypass switch and either an external automatic transfer switch or external automatic bypass switch.

The BBU system shall be capable of logging up to 100 events. Events shall date- and time-stamp faults with utility line voltage and battery voltages. At the minimum, the BBU system shall log an event when:

- the utility line voltage falls above or below the upper or lower control limits,
- the BBU system automatically switches to battery power, and
- when self-monitoring BBU system components fail.

3.3. **Displays, Controls, Diagnostics and Maintenance.** The BBU system shall include a front panel display. All applicable programmable functions of the operational methods described in this specification shall be viewable from the front panel display.

All events described in Section 3.2, "System Capabilities" shall be viewable from the front panel display.

The BBU system software shall be programmable from the front panel of the inverter/charger by means of a keyboard or momentary buttons allowing user to step through menu driven software.

A 10/100 Ethernet port shall be provided on the front panel of the inverter/charger.

A RS232 port shall be provided on the front panel of the inverter/charger.

The BBU system software shall be provided for the operational needs of the BBU system. The user/operator shall be able to access all system software via the Ethernet and RS232 ports on the front panel of the inverter/charger. The user shall be able to read logged events and change programmable parameters from the keyboard, laptop or local area network via the Ethernet port.

System software shall be upgradeable via the RS232 port on the front panel of the inverter/charger.

- 3.4. **Inverter/Charger.** The inverter/charger is the unit that provides the voltage regulation; power conditioning of utility line power; convert the DC voltage input into 120 VAC output for the traffic signal cabinet to operate; provides emergency backup power upon loss of utility power and provides for temperature compensated battery charging. As a minimum the inverter/charger shall be rated for 1400 watts. Provide a minimum of 6 sets of normally open (NO) and normally closed (NC) single-pole double-throw dry contact relay closures on the front face of the inverter/charger and labeled so as to identify each contact. The relay closures shall consist a set of NO/NC contact closures that shall be energized whenever the unit switches to battery power (contact shall be labeled or marked as "On Battery" or equivalent) and a second set of NO/NC contact closures shall be energized whenever the battery approaches 40% remaining capacity (contact shall be labeled or marked as "Low battery" or equivalent), which will determine when the unit will switch from normal operation to flash. A third set of NO/NC contact closures shall be energized after a user settable time after the unit switches to battery power. The contact may be labeled "Timer. The remaining relays shall be user definable.

Operating temperature range for both the inverter/charger and power transfer relay shall be -34°C to +74°C. When battery power is used, the BBU system output voltage shall be between 110VAC and 125VAC, pure sine wave output, $\leq 3\%$ THD, 60Hz ± 3 Hz.

- 3.5. **Manual Bypass Switch.** The manual bypass switch shall be provided as a separate unit external to the inverter/charger unit. The manual bypass switch shall consist of housing, two position switch, terminal blocks, internal wiring, service outlet, circuit breakers and mounting hardware. All components shall be rated at a minimum of 240VAC / 30 amp. Provide the manual bypass switch with # 8 terminal blocks. The manual bypass switch shall be 2 position and allow the user to switch utility line power directly to the cabinet service panel. The switch positions will provide the following functions. In the "Bypass" position the inverter is bypassed, utility power is removed from the BBU and passed directly to the signal power panel. In the "UPS" position the inverter / switch is powered and the signal circuits are supplied by the output of the inverter. When the manual bypass switch is in the "Bypass" position the user may replace the automatic bypass switch (or transfer switch) and the inverter/charger without interrupting power to the intersection. Provide the manual bypass switch with over current protection (20 Amp circuit breaker).
- 3.6. **Power Transfer Switch.** These requirements are for BBU systems provided with a power transfer switch. The power transfer switch will operate such that the inverter/charger input and cabinet power panel are supplied with power from the utility line, in the event that the utility line power is lost or requires conditioning (buck or boost) the power transfer switch will automatically connect the inverter/charger output to the cabinet power panel such that the inverter/charger output provides the power. In the event of inverter/charger failure, battery failure, or complete battery discharge, the power transfer shall revert to the NC (de-energized) state, where utility line power is connected to the cabinet service panel.

All wire to the power transfer switch from the manual bypass switch, to and from the inverter/ charger and from the manual bypass switch to utility power service shall be sized accordingly with system requirements.

- 3.7. **Automatic Bypass Switch.** These requirements are for BBU systems provided with an automatic bypass switch. The automatic bypass switch will operate such that the inverter/charger input is supplied with power

from the utility line and the cabinet power panel is supplied with power from the output of the inverter/charger. In the event of inverter/charger failure, battery failure, or complete battery discharge, or other loss of power from the output of the inverter/charger, the automatic bypass switch shall revert to the NC (de-energized) state, where utility line power is connected to the cabinet service panel.

3.8. **Batteries.** Provide batteries from the same manufacturer/vendor of the BBU system.

Individual batteries shall be 12V type, and shall be easily replaceable and commonly available for purchase by common off-the-shelf equivalent.

Batteries shall be sized and rated to operate a 700W load for 4 hours (normal operation) followed by a 300W load for 2 hours (flash operation) for a total of 6 hours.

Battery configuration shall consist of 12V batteries arranged for total voltages of 36V, 48V, 60V, 72V, 84V or 96V.

Batteries shall be deep-discharge, sealed prismatic lead-calcium based, valve-regulated maintenance-free batteries.

Batteries shall operate over a temperature range of -34°C to +74°C.

Batteries shall indicate maximum recharge data and recharging cycles, and manufacturer defaults on the inverter/charger shall not allow the recharging process to exceed the batteries maximum values.

Battery interconnect wiring shall connect to the inverter unit via modular harness with red and black cabling that terminates into a typical power pole style connector. Harness shall be equipped with mating power flag style connectors for batteries and a single insulated plug-in style connection to inverter/charger unit. Harness shall allow batteries to be quickly and easily connected in any order and shall be keyed to ensure proper polarity and circuit configuration. A fusible link or device sized accordingly with system requirements and to protect against currents exceeding each battery current rating shall be provided within 3 inches of the negative and positive leads of each battery. Fusible links shall be insulated stranded wire.

Insulated covers shall be provided at the connection points (post) as to prevent accidental shorting.

Battery cables provided to connect battery to battery harness main cable shall be a minimum of 18 in. or long enough to accommodate the battery covers provided with the battery ground box, whichever is longer. Battery harness shall be sized accordingly with system requirements.

3.9. **Battery Monitoring System.** The BBU system shall use a temperature-compensated battery charging system. The charging system shall compensate over a range of 2.5 – 4.0 mV/°C per cell.

The temperature sensor shall be used to monitor the temperature and regulate the charge rate of the batteries. Unless required otherwise by the plans the temperature sensor wire shall be as follows:

- 8 feet long if external side-mounted cabinet is attached to existing controller cabinet.
- 8 feet long if batteries are housed in traffic signal base used for cabinet foundation and batteries are stored on shelf within base.
- 8 feet long if stand-alone cabinet is used.

Should the temperature sensor fail, the inverter/charger shall not allow the BBU system to overcharge the batteries. The BBU system shall provide an alarm should the temperature sensor fail.

Recharge time for the batteries to obtain 80% or more of full battery charge capacity shall not exceed 20 hours at 21°C (70°F).

Batteries shall not be charged when battery temperature exceeds 50°C.

The BBU system shall monitor battery strings within a system and set a fault indicator if battery voltage falls below normal operating voltage.

- 3.10. **Battery Housing.** Unless plans require otherwise, project an external battery cabinet or stand-alone BBU/battery cabinet as specified below.

- 3.10.1. **External Battery Cabinet.** The external cabinet shall be NEMA type 3R all-aluminum with stainless-steel hardware, or approved equivalent. The external cabinet shall be designed to attach on the side of a TS2 size 6 base-mount cabinet. The batteries, inverter, transfer switches, manual bypass and all associated hardware shall be housed in the external cabinet.

The external cabinet shall be equipped with proper ventilation, electric fan, and air filter in accordance with TS2 standards.

External cabinets will be equipped with a door opening to the entire cabinet. The door shall be attached to the cabinet with a full length stainless steel piano hinge or four, two-bolts per leaf, hinges. The door shall be provided with the same latch and lock mechanism as required for standard traffic signal cabinet. In addition, a padlock clasp will be provided.

When using battery ground boxes, an external cabinet is required for the non-battery components. .

- 3.10.2. **Stand-Alone BBU/Battery Cabinet.** When required for installation by the plans a stand-alone cabinet in accordance with the following shall be provided.

The stand-alone cabinet shall conform to all the specifications of the External BBU/Battery Cabinet, except that it will not mount to the controller cabinet. The stand-alone cabinet shall be designed to attach to a concrete pad.

- 3.11. **Concrete Pad.** Provide a Class B concrete pad as a foundation for stand-alone cabinets of the size shown in the plans. For external cabinets, extend the controller foundation to provide a class B concrete pad under the external cabinet of the size shown in the plans.

- 3.12. **Documentation.** Operation and maintenance manuals shall be provided. The operation manual shall include a block diagram schematic of all system hardware components. The manual shall include instructions for programming and viewing software features. The manual shall include all uploading/downloading (communications protocol) requirements via RS232 or Ethernet port.

Board level schematics shall be provided when requested.

Battery documentation and replacement information shall be provided.

- 3.13. **Testing.** The Department reserves the right to do testing on BBU systems to ensure Quality Assurance on unit before installation and random sampling of units being provided to the State. BBU systems that fail will be taken off the Qualified Products List (QPL).

Department QPL testing procedures will check compliance with all the criteria of this specification including the following:

- Event logging for fault/alarm conditions
- Demonstrated use of one or more of the operating methods described in Section 3.1., "Method of Operation."
- Testing of ability to power a 700W load for 4 hours, transfer to flash mode and power a 300W load for 2 additional hours, at an ambient temperature of +25°C.
- Testing of all components in environmental chamber (temperature ranges from -30°C to +74°C) following NEMA TS2 2003 standards, Section 2.

- 3.14. **Warranty, Maintenance and Support.** Provide a BBU containing a warranty that requires the manufacturer to replace failed BBUs when non-operable due to defect in material or workmanship within five years of date of purchase from manufacturer. Supply a BBU with no less than 95% of the manufacturer's warranty remaining on the date that the BBU is installed and begins operating. The replacement BBU must meet requirements of this specification. The Contractor will handle all warranty issues until the date of final acceptance.

Batteries shall be warranted for full replacement for 5 years. Batteries shall be defined as bad if they are not able to deliver 80% of battery rating.

4. MEASUREMENT

This Item will be measured by each BBU system installed.

5. PAYMENT

The work performed and materials furnished in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under "Measurement" will be paid for at the unit price bid for "BBU System" of the type (type of BBU cabinet) specified. This price is full compensation for furnishing, installing, and testing the completed installation, BBU system and associated equipment, mounting hardware, class B concrete pad, software, conduit, conductors; and equipment, labor, tools; and incidentals.

Special Specification 6089

Ethernet Cable and Connectors



1. DESCRIPTION

Furnish, install, test, document, and warranty network cable and connectors as shown on the plans and as detailed in the Special Specifications.

2. MATERIALS

2.1. **Cable Type.** Unshielded Twisted Pair (UTP) Category 5e.

2.2. **Electrical Requirements.**

2.2.1. **Cable Standard.** Meets TIA/EIA 568-C.2 cable standards. Must be industrial outdoor and UV rated.

2.2.2. **Maximum Frequency.** Maximum frequency shall be 100 MHz +/- 15%.

2.2.3. **Attenuation.** Cable must not exceed an attenuation of 22 dB per 300 ft. of cable at 100 MHz.

2.2.4. **Velocity Factor.** Velocity factor, reference to the free space electromagnetic wave propagation speed, must not be less than 74% of the free space velocity.

2.2.5. **Impedance.** Nominal impedance of the cable and connector must be 100 ohms.

2.2.6. **Capacitance.** Capacitance of the cable must not exceed 14 picofarads per foot of cable.

2.2.7. **Power Sum Equal-Level Far End Crosstalk (PS-ELFEXT)** 20.8 dB min at 100 MHz.

2.2.8. **Near-End Crosstalk (NEXT)** 35 dB min at 100 MHz.

2.2.9. **Return Loss.** 20.1 dB at 100 MHz.

2.3. **Connectors.**

2.3.1. **Type and Manufacturer.** Connectors must be of the model designated by the cable manufacturer for the cable supplied and provided by the same manufacturer.

2.3.2. **Electrical.** Termination connectors must be male RJ 45. Provide connectors and the cable supplied by the same manufacturer. Connectors must be a constant impedance type. Connectors must not contain any ferrous or other materials or design features which may lead to the generation of intermodulation products.

2.3.3. **Mechanical.** Connectors must be constructed to maintain the mechanical integrity of the cable within the nominal load limits of the cable. Connectors must prevent the entry and collection of moisture to the cable and electrical connection point.

3. CONSTRUCTION

3.1. **Installation.** Install cable with the proper connectors, jumper cable and miscellaneous hardware where indicated on the plans, necessary to make the site ready for testing and functional operation. Cable installation must be in accordance with the cable manufacturer's installation instructions.

- 3.2. **Testing.** Terminate cable into a load impedance equal to the nominal impedance of the cable and a sweep return loss measurement must be made after installation at the site. Frequency range must be from 25 MHz to 100 MHz. Terminated cable must present a return loss of not less than $(20 \text{ dB} + 2 \text{ times the cable loss})$ at any frequency within the test range.
- 3.3. **Documentation.** Provide 2 copies of the certification sweep measurement of the cable.
- 3.4. **Warranty.** Cable and connector's warranty must be in accordance with the Special Specification 6005, "Testing, Training, Documentation, Final Acceptance, and Warranty."

4. **MEASUREMENT**

This item will be measured by the foot of cable furnished, installed, spliced, connected, and tested.

5. **PAYMENT**

The work performed and materials furnished in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under "Measurement" and will be paid for at the unit price bid for "Ethernet Cable Cat 5." This price will be full compensation for furnishing and installing all cable and connectors, for pulling through conduit or duct, testing, splicing, connecting, tagging and labeling, and for all materials, labor, tools, equipment, documentation, and incidentals.

Special Specification 6185

Truck Mounted Attenuator (TMA) and Trailer Attenuator (TA)



1. DESCRIPTION

Furnish, operate, maintain and remove upon completion of work, Truck Mounted Attenuator (TMA) or Trailer Attenuator (TA).

2. MATERIALS

Furnish, operate and maintain new or used TMAs or TAs. Assure used attenuators are in good working condition and are approved for use. A list of approved TMA/TA units can be found in the Department's Compliant Work Zone Traffic Control Devices List. The host vehicle for the TMA and TA must weigh a minimum of 19,000 lbs. Host vehicles may be ballasted to achieve the required weight. Any weight added to the host vehicle must be properly attached or contained within it so that it does not present a hazard and that proper energy dissipation occurs if the attenuator is impacted from behind by a large truck. The weight of a TA will not be considered in the weight of the host vehicle but the weight of a TMA may be included in the weight of the host vehicle. Upon request, provide either a manufacturer's curb weight or a certified scales weight ticket to the Engineer.

3. CONSTRUCTION

Place or relocate TMA/TAs as shown on the plans or as directed. The plans will show the number of TMA/TAs needed, for how many days or hours, and for which construction phases.

Maintain the TMA/TAs in good working condition. Replace damaged TMA/TAs as soon as possible.

4. MEASUREMENT

4.1. **Truck Mounted Attenuator/Trailer Attenuator (Stationary).** This Item will be measured by the each or by the day. TMA/TAs must be set up in a work area and operational before a calendar day can be considered measurable. When measurement by the day is specified, a day will be measured for each TMA/TA set up and operational on the worksite.

4.2. **Truck Mounted Attenuator/Trailer Attenuator (Mobile Operation).** This Item will be measured by the hour. The time begins once the TMA/TA is ready for operation at the predetermined site and stops when notified by the Engineer. A minimum of 4 hr. will be paid each day for each operating TMA/TA used in a mobile operation.

5. PAYMENT

The work performed and materials furnished in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under "Measurement" will be paid for at the unit price bid for "Truck Mounted Attenuators/Trailer Attenuators (Stationary)," or "Truck Mounted Attenuators/Trailer Attenuators (Mobile Operation)." This price is full compensation for furnishing TMA/TA: set up; relocating; removing; operating; fuel; and equipment, materials, tools, labor, and incidentals.

Special Specification 6292

Radar Vehicle Detection System for Signalized Intersection Control



1. DESCRIPTION

Furnish, install, relocate, or remove radar vehicle detection systems (RVDS) of the specified devices at signalized intersections to provide the required zones of detection as shown on the plans, or as directed.

2. MATERIALS

- 2.1. **General.** Except as allowed for relocation of RVDS equipment, ensure all equipment and component parts are new in accordance with Section 1.0 through Section 6.0 of Division Specification [TO-8000](#), "Radar Vehicle Detection System." and in an operable condition at time of delivery and installation.

The Traffic Management Section of the Traffic Operations Division (TRF-TM) maintains the Prequalified Products Master List (QPL) of all RVDS conforming to the requirements of this Specification. New materials appearing on the [QPL for TO-8000](#) require no further sampling and testing before use unless deemed necessary by the Project Engineer or TRF-TM. Provide prequalified RVDSs from the Division's QPL.

Ensure all RVDS serving the same detection purpose within the project are from the same manufacturer. RVDS devices are classified by their functional requirements. The functional requirements are for radar presence detection devices (RPDD) and radar advance detection devices (RADD). The RVDS system classifications are RVDS (RPDD Only), RVDS (RADD Only)" and "RVDS (RPDD and RADD).

Provide each RVDS sensor with a mounting bracket designed to mount directly to a pole, mast-arm, or other structure. Ensure bracket is designed such that the sensor can be tilted both vertically and horizontally for alignment and then locked into place after proper alignment is achieved. All hardware must be designed to support the load of the RVDS sensor and mounting bracket.

- 2.2. **Configuration.** Ensure the RVDS will provide vehicle detection as required on the plans, or as directed.

Ensure the RVDS does not require tuning or recalibration to maintain performance once initial calibration and configuration is complete. RVDS must not require cleaning or adjustment to maintain performance.

RVDS must self-recover from power failure once power is restored.

- 2.3. **Cabling.** Provide appropriate length of all cables necessary to complete the work (of making the RVDS fully operational) at each installation site.

- 2.4. **Software.** Ensure the RVDS manufacturer includes all software required to configure and monitor operation of RVDS field equipment locally and remotely. RVDS software must be a stable production release.

Software must allow the user to configure, operate, exercise, diagnose, and read current status of all RVDS features and functions using a laptop computer.

Software must include the ability to save a local copy of RVDS field device configurations, and load saved configurations to RVDS field devices.

Ensure all licenses required for operation and use of software are included at no additional cost.

Software updates must be provided at no additional cost during the warranty period.

- 2.5. **Electrical.** All conductors supplying the equipment must meet National Electrical Code® (NEC) requirements.

Ensure equipment is designed to protect personnel from exposure to high voltage during installation, operation, and maintenance.

- 2.6. **Mechanical.** Ensure that all parts are fabricated from corrosion resistant materials, such as plastic, stainless steel, aluminum, or brass.

Ensure that all screws, nuts, and locking washers are corrosion resistant. Do not use self-tapping screws.

Ensure equipment is clearly and permanently marked with manufacturer name or trademark, part number, date of manufacture, and serial number.

Ensure RVDS is modular in design for ease of field replacement and maintenance. Provide a sensor that will minimize weight and wind loading when mounted on a traffic signal pole or mast arm.

All printed circuit boards (PCB) must have conformal coating.

- 2.7. **Environmental.** RVDS sensor must be able to withstand the maximum wind load based on the Department's basic wind velocity zone map standard without any damage or loosening from structure.

The RVDS enclosure must conform to criteria set forth in the NEMA 250 Standard for Type 4X enclosures.

The RVDS must meet all NEMA TS2 environmental requirements for temperature, humidity, transients, vibration, and shock.

- 2.8. **Connectors and Harnesses.** Ensure all conductors are properly color coded and identified.

Ensure cable connector design prohibits improper connections. Cable connector pins are plated to improve conductivity and resist corrosion.

Connections for both data and power must be made to the RVDS sensor using waterproof, quick disconnect connectors. Pigtails from the sensor to a waterproof junction box (NEMA 4) or an approved waterproof connector must be allowed for splicing. The pigtails must not be shorter than 3 ft. unless otherwise shown on the plans.

3. CONSTRUCTION

- 3.1. **System Installation.** Install RVDS system devices according to the manufacturer's recommendations to provide properly functioning detection as required. This will include the installation of sensors on signal poles or mast-arms, controller interface modules, power and surge protection panels, cabling and all associated equipment, software, serial and Ethernet communication ports, connectors and hardware required to setup and operate. Ensure that the supplier of the RVDS provides competent on-site support representative during installation to supervise installation and testing of the RVDS. Ensure the radar sensor locations are optimal for system operation and operate as required. Maintain safe construction practices during equipment installation.

Ensure installation and configuration of software on Department computers is included with the RVDS.

Use care to prevent damage to any support structures. Any equipment or structure damaged or lost must be replaced by the Contractor (with items approved by the Engineer) at no cost to the Department.

3.2. **Mechanical Components.** Ensure that all fasteners, including bolts, nuts, and washers with a diameter less than 5/8 in. are Type 316 or 304 stainless steel and meet the requirements of ASTM F593 and ASTM F594 for corrosion resistance. Ensure that all bolts and nuts 5/8 in. and over in diameter are galvanized and meet the requirements of ASTM A307. Separate dissimilar metals with an inert dielectric material.

3.3. **Wiring.** Install all wiring and electrical work supplying power to the equipment in a neat workmanlike manner. Supply and install all wiring necessary to interconnect RVDS sensors to the traffic signal cabinet and incidentals necessary to complete the work. Furnish and install any additional required wiring at no additional cost to the Department.

Wiring must be cut to proper length prior to installation. Provide cable slack for ease of removal and replacement. All cable slack must be neatly laced with lacing or straps in the bottom of the cabinet. Ensure cables are secured with clamps.

3.4. **Grounding.** Ensure all RVDS components, cabinets, and supports are grounded in accordance with the NEC and manufacturer recommendations.

3.5. **Relocation of RVDS Field Equipment.** Perform the relocation in strict conformance with the requirements herein and as shown on the plans. Completion of the work will present a neat, workmanlike, and finished appearance. Maintain safe construction practices during relocation.

Inspect the existing RVDS field equipment with a representative from the Department and document any evidence of damage prior to removal. Conduct a pre-removal test in accordance with the testing requirements contained in this Item to document operational functionality. Remove and deliver equipment that fails inspection to the Department.

Prior to removal of existing RVDS field equipment, disconnect and isolate the power cables from the electric power supply and disconnect all communication cabling from the equipment located inside the cabinet. Coil and store power and communication cabling inside the cabinet until relocation. Remove existing RVDS field equipment as shown on the plans only when authorized by the Engineer.

Use care to prevent damage to any support structures. Any equipment or structure damaged or lost must be replaced by the Contractor (with items approved by the Engineer) at no cost to the Department.

Make all arrangements for connection to the power supply and communication source including any permits required for the work to be done under the Contract. Provide wire for the power connection at least the minimum size indicated on the plans and insulated for 600 V. Meet the requirements of the NEC, latest edition.

3.6. **Removal of RVDS Field Equipment.** Perform the removal in strict conformance with the requirements herein and as shown on the plans. Completion of the work will present a neat, workmanlike, and finished appearance. Maintain safe construction practices during removal.

Disconnect and isolate any existing electrical supply prior to removal of existing field equipment.

Use care to prevent damage to any support structures. Any equipment or structure damaged or lost must be replaced by the Contractor (with items approved by the Engineer) at no cost to the Department.

All materials not designated for reuse or retention by the Department will become the property of the Contractor and be removed from the project site at the Contractor's expense. Deliver items to be retained by the Department to a location shown on the plans or general notes. The Contractor is fully responsible for any removed equipment until released by the Engineer.

3.7. **Documentation.** Provide electronic copy operation and maintenance manuals, along with a copy of all product documentation on electronic media. Include the following documentation:

- Complete and accurate schematic diagrams,

- Complete installation procedures,
- Manufacturer's specifications (functional, electrical, mechanical, and environmental),
- Complete maintenance and trouble-shooting procedures, and
- Explanation of product operation.
- Warranty as specified in Section 3.8.

The RVDS must pass testing to ensure functionality and reliability prior to delivery. These include functional tests for internal subassemblies, a 24 hr. minimum unit level burn-in test, and a unit functionality test. Provide test results and supporting documentation, including serial number tested, must be submitted for each RVDS. If requested, manufacturing data per serial number must be provided for each RVDS.

Unless deemed unnecessary by the Project Engineer or TRF-TM, Provide certification from an independent laboratory demonstrating compliance with NEMA TS2 environmental requirements for temperature, humidity, transients, vibration, and shock.

Unless deemed unnecessary by the Project Engineer or TRF-TM, Provide third party enclosure test results demonstrating the sensor enclosure meets Type 4X criteria.

Unless deemed unnecessary by the Project Engineer or TRF-TM, Provide evidence of RVDS manufacturer's quality assurance program, including proof that the manufacturer of the RVDS is either ISO 9001 certified or other quality management system programs for manufacturing RVDS.

3.8. **Warranty.** Ensure that the detection system has a manufacturer's warranty covering defects for a minimum of 5 years from the date of final acceptance. In addition to the terms required by Article 8 of TO-8000, Ensure the warranty includes providing replacements, within 10 calendar days of notification, for defective parts and equipment during the warranty period at no cost to the Department.

3.9. **Training and Support.** Provide manufacturer approved end user training to the Department and their representatives. Training must include instruction on system configuration, operation, and maintenance. Provide training for a minimum of 10 Department-designated representatives up to 8 hs., including both class and field training.

Ensure that the detection system manufacturer will provide product support for a minimum of 5 years from the date of final acceptance.

4. TESTING

Perform the following tests on equipment and systems unless otherwise shown on the plans. The Department may witness all the tests.

4.1. **Stand-Alone Test.** Conduct a Stand-Alone Test for each unit after installation. The test must exercise all stand-alone (non-network) functional operations and verify that RVDS is placing detector contact closure to assigned detector channels in the traffic signal controller assembly. Notify the Engineer 5 working days before conducting this test.

4.2. **Consequences of Test Failure.** If a unit fails a test, provide a new unit and then repeat the test until successfully completed.

4.3. **Final Acceptance Test.** Conduct a Final Acceptance Test on the complete functional system. Demonstrate all control, monitoring, and communication requirements and operate the system for 30 days. The Engineer will furnish a Letter of Approval stating the first day of the Final Acceptance Test.

4.4. **Consequences of Final Acceptance Test Failure.** If a defect within the system is detected during the Final Acceptance Test, document and correct the source of failure. Once corrective measures are taken, monitor the point of failure until a consecutive 30 day period free of defects is achieved.

4.5. Relocation

- 4.5.1. **Pre-Test.** Provide 5 copies of the test procedures to include tests of the basic functionality of the unit and blank data forms to the Engineer for review and comment as part of material documentation requirements. Functionality tests may include, but are not limited to, physical inspection of the unit and cable assemblies. Include the sequence of the tests in the procedures along with acceptance thresholds. The Engineer will comment, approve, or reject test procedures within 30 days after Contractor submittal of test procedures. Rejected test procedures must be resubmitted within 10 days. Review time is calendar days. Conduct all tests in accordance with the approved test procedures.

Conduct basic functionality testing prior to removal of RVDS field equipment. Test all functional operations of the equipment in the presence of representatives of the Contractor and the Department. Ensure that both representatives sign the test report indicating that the equipment has passed or failed each function. Once removed, the equipment becomes the responsibility of the Contractor until accepted by the Department. Compare test data prior to removal and after installation. The performance test results after relocation must be equal to or better than the test results prior to removal. Repair or replace those components within the system that failed after relocation but passed prior to removal.

- 4.5.2. **Post-Test.** Testing of the RVDS field equipment is to relieve the Contractor of system maintenance. The Contractor will be relieved of the responsibility for system maintenance in accordance with Item 7, "Legal Relations and Responsibilities" after a successful test period. The Contractor will not be required to pay for electrical energy consumed by the system.

After all existing RVDS field equipment has been installed, conduct approved continuity, stand alone, and performance tests. Furnish test data forms containing the sequence of tests including all the data taken as well as quantitative results for all tests. Submit the test data forms to the Engineer at least 30 days prior to the day the tests are to begin. Obtain Engineer's approval of test procedures prior to submission of equipment for tests. Send at least 1 copy of the data forms to the Engineer.

Conduct an approved stand-alone test of the equipment installation at the field sites. At a minimum, exercise all stand-alone (non-network) functional operations of the field equipment with all the equipment installed per the plans as directed by the Engineer. Complete the approved data forms with test results and turn over to the Engineer for review and either acceptance or rejection of equipment. Give at least 30 working days' notice prior to all tests to permit the Engineer or his representative to observe each test.

The Department will conduct approved RVDS field equipment system tests on the field equipment with the central equipment. The tests will, as a minimum, exercise all remote control functions and display the return status codes from the controller.

If any unit fails to pass a test, prepare and deliver a report to the Engineer. Describe the nature of the failure and the corrective action needed. If the failure is the result of improper installation or damage during reinstallation, reinstall or replace the unit and repeat the test until the unit passes successfully, at no additional cost to the Department or extension of the Contract period.

5. MEASUREMENT

New RVDS furnished and installed by the Contractor will be measured by each approach to the signalized intersection.

RVDS furnished by the Department for the Contractor to install only will be measured by each approach to the signalized intersection.

Existing RVDS to be relocated or removed will be measured by each sensor relocated or removed.

6. PAYMENT

- 6.1. **Furnish and Install.** The work performed and materials furnished in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under "Measurement" will be paid for at the unit bid price for "RVDS (Presence Detection Only)", "RVDS (Advance Detection Only)" and "RVDS (Presence and Advance Detection)."

This price is full compensation for furnishing, installing, configuring, integrating, and testing the completed installation including RVDS equipment, voltage converters or injectors, cables, connectors, associated equipment, and mounting hardware; and for all labor, tools, equipment, any required equipment modifications for electrical service, documentation, testing, training, software, warranty and incidentals necessary to complete the work.

- 6.2. **Install Only.** The work performed and materials furnished in accordance with this Item will be paid for at the unit bid price for "RVDS (Presence Detection Only) (Install Only)", "RVDS (Advance Detection Only) (Install Only)" and "RVDS (Presence and Advance Detection) (Install Only)."

This price is full compensation for making fully operational a radar vehicle detection system furnished by the Department; installing, configuring, integrating, and testing the completed installation including RVDS equipment, voltage converters or injectors, cables, connectors, associated equipment, and mounting hardware; and for all labor, tools, equipment, any required equipment modifications for electrical service, documentation, testing, training, software, and incidentals necessary to complete the work.

- 6.3. **Relocate.** The work performed and materials furnished in accordance with this Item will be paid for at the unit bid price for "Relocate RVDS." This price is full compensation for relocating and making fully operational existing RVDS field equipment; furnishing and installing additional cables or connectors; for testing, delivery and storage of components designated for salvage or reuse; and all testing, training, software, equipment, any required equipment modifications for electrical service, labor, materials, tools, and incidentals necessary to complete the work.

- 6.4. **Remove.** The work performed and materials furnished in accordance with this Item will be paid for at the unit bid price for "Remove RVDS." This price is full compensation for removing existing RVDS equipment; removal of cables and connectors; for testing, delivery and storage of components designated for salvage; and all testing training, software, equipment, labor, materials, tools, and incidentals necessary to complete the work.

- 6.5. **Communication Cable.** All communication cables necessary to make the RVDS fully operational will be subsidiary to this Item.

Special Specification 6438

Mobile Retroreflectivity Data Collection for Pavement Markings



1. DESCRIPTION

Furnish mobile retroreflectivity data collection (MRDC) for pavement markings on roadways as shown on the plans or as designated by the Engineer. Conduct MRDC on dry pavement only. Provider is defined as the Contractor or Subcontractor who collects the MRDC data.

2. EQUIPMENT AND PERSONNEL

- 2.1. **Mobile Retroreflectometer.** Provide a self-propelled, mobile retroreflectometer certified by the Texas A&M Transportation Institute (TTI) Mobile Retroreflectometer Certification Program.
- 2.2. **Portable Retroreflectometer.** Provide a portable retroreflectometer that uses 30-meter geometry meeting the requirements described in ASTM E 1710. Maintain, service, and calibrate all portable retroreflectometers according to the manufacturer's instructions.
- 2.3. **Operating Personnel for Mobile Retroreflectometer.** Provide all personnel required to operate the mobile retroreflectometer and portable retroreflectometer. Ensure MRDC system operator has a current certification from the TTI Mobile Retroreflectometer Certification Program to conduct MRDC with the certified mobile retroreflectometer provided.
- 2.4. **Additional Personnel.** Provide any other personnel necessary to compile, evaluate, and submit MRDC.
- 2.5. **Safety Equipment.** Supply and operate all required safety equipment to perform this service.

3. MRDC DOCUMENTATION AND TESTING

Document all MRDC by county and roadway or as directed by the Engineer. Submit all data to the Department and to the TTI Mobile Retroreflectometer Certification Program no later than three working days after the day the data is collected. Submit all raw data collected in addition to all other data submitted. Provide data files in Microsoft Excel format or a format approved by the Engineer. Provide measurement notification and field tests as specified. Verification and referee testing may be conducted at the Department's discretion.

- 3.1. **Preliminary Documentation Sample.** Submit a sample data file, video, and map of MRDC data in the required format 10 working days before beginning any work. The format must meet specification and be approved by the Engineer before any work may begin.
- 3.2. **Initial Documentation Review and Approval.** The Department will review documentation submitted for the first day of MRDC, and if it does not meet specification requirements, will not allow further MRDC until deficiencies are corrected. The Department will inform the Provider no later than three working days after submittal if the first day of MRDC does not meet specification requirements. Time charges will continue unless otherwise directed by the Engineer.
- 3.3. **Data File.** Provide data files with the following:
 - date;
 - district number;

- county;
- Project CSJ number;
- name of mobile retroreflector operator;
- route number with reference markers or other reference information provided by the Engineer to indicate the location of beginning and end data collection points on that roadway;
- cardinal direction;
- line type (single solid, single broken, double solid, etc.);
- line color;
- file name corresponding to video;
- data for each centerline listed separately;
- average reading taken for each 0.1-mi. interval (or interval designated by the Engineer);
- accurate GPS coordinates (within 20 ft.) for each interval;
- color-coding for each interval indicating passing or failing, unless otherwise directed by the Engineer (passing and failing thresholds provided by the Engineer);
- graphical representation of the MRDC (y-axis showing retroreflectivity and x-axis showing intervals) corresponding with each data file;
- distance in miles driven while measuring the pavement markings;
- event codes (pre-approved by the Engineer) indicating problems with measurement;
- portable retroreflector field check average reading and corresponding mobile average reading for that interval when applicable; and
- upper validation threshold (may be included separately with the raw data but must be clearly identified with the data collected using that threshold).

3.4. **Map.** Provide a map in an electronic format approved by the Engineer with each MRDC submission that includes the following information:

- date;
- district number;
- county;
- color-coded 1-mi. intervals (or interval length designated by the Engineer) for passing and failing retroreflectivity values or retroreflectivity threshold values provided by the Engineer; and
- percentage of passing and failing intervals, if required by the Engineer.

3.5. **Video.** Provide a high-quality DVD or electronic video file with the following information:

- date and corresponding data file name on label;
- district number;
- county;
- route number with reference markers or other designated reference information to indicate the location of beginning and end collection points on that roadway; and
- retroreflectivity values presented on the same screen with the following information:
 - date;
 - location;
 - starting and ending mileage;
 - total miles;
 - retroreflectivity readings; and
 - upper validation thresholds (may be included separately with the raw data but must be clearly identified with the data collected using that threshold).

3.6. **Field Comparison Checks with a Portable Retroreflector.** Take a set of field comparison readings with the portable retroreflector at least once every 4 hr. while conducting MRDC or at the frequency designated by the Engineer. Take a minimum of 20 readings, spread out over the interval measured. List the average portable retroreflector reading next to the mobile average reading for that interval with the

reported MRDC data. Request approval from the Engineer to take field comparison readings on a separate roadway, when measuring a roadway where portable retroreflectometer readings are difficult to take. Take the off-location field comparison readings at no additional cost. Submit the portable retroreflectometer printout of all the readings taken for the field comparison check with the corresponding MRDC data submitted. The mobile average reading must be within $\pm 15\%$ of the portable average reading. The Engineer may require new MRDC for some or all of the pavement markings measured in a 4-hr. interval before a field comparison check not meeting the $\pm 15\%$ range. Provide the new MRDC at no extra cost to the Department. The Engineer may take readings with a Department portable retroreflectometer to ensure accuracy at any time. The Department's Materials and Tests Division (MTD) will take comparison readings and serve as the referee if there is a significant difference between the Engineer's portable readings and the Provider's mobile and handheld readings. For best results, take field comparison readings on a fairly flat and straight roadway when possible.

- 3.7. **Periodic Field Checks at Pre-Measured Locations.** When requested by the Engineer, measure with the mobile unit and report to the Engineer immediately after measurement the average retroreflectivity values for a designated pre-measured test location. The Engineer will have taken measurements at the test location within 10 days of the test. The test location will not include pavement markings less than 30 days old. If the measured averages do not fall within $\pm 15\%$ of the pre-measured averages, further calibration and comparison measurements may be required before any further MRDC. Submit the results of the field check with the MRDC report for that day.
- 3.8. **Measurement Notification.** Provide notification via email to Mobileretro@tamu.edu with a carbon copy to the Engineer a minimum of 24 hr. before mobile retroreflectivity data collection to allow for scheduling verification testing when needed.
- 3.9. **Verification Testing.** The Engineer or a third party may perform retroreflectivity verification testing within seven days of the Provider's retroreflectivity readings. The Provider-submitted retroreflectivity data will be compared to the verification test data to determine acceptability of the Provider's mobile retroreflectometer data. Comparison of the data will result in one of the two scenarios below:
- Provider's Data is Validated – if the difference between Provider's and Engineer-third party data is 20% or less, then the Provider's data is validated. The Provider's data will be used for acceptance.
 - Provider's Data is not Validated – if the difference between Provider's and Engineer-third party data is more than 20%, then the Provider's data is not validated. The Engineer-third party data will be used for acceptance and the Provider will be required to take corrective action before additional Provider data collection and may require re-certification of the mobile retroreflectometer. If the Engineer determines that the Provider's data might be correct then, referee testing may be requested by the Engineer.
- 3.10. **Referee Testing.** MTD will perform referee testing using portable retroreflectometers to determine if the markings need to be restriped to meet the required retroreflectivity level. The referee test results will be final. Referee testing will be conducted on the verification test sections using the method for portable retroreflectometers specified in Item 666, "Reflectorized Pavement Markings."

4. FINAL REPORT

Submit a final report in the format specified by the Engineer to the Department's Traffic Engineering representative within one calendar week after the service is complete. The final report must contain a list of all problems encountered (pre-approved event codes) and the locations where problems occurred during MRDC.

5. MEASUREMENT

When mobile retroreflectivity data collection for pavement markings is specified on the plans to be a pay item, measurement will be by the mile driven while measuring pavement markings.

6. PAYMENT

Unless otherwise specified on the plans, the work performed, materials furnished, equipment, labor, tools, and incidentals will not be paid for directly, but will be considered subsidiary to bid items of the Contract. When mobile retroreflectivity data collection for pavement markings is specified on the plans to be a pay item, the work performed in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under "Measurement" will be paid for at the unit price bid for "Mobile Retroreflectivity Data Collection." This price is full compensation for providing summaries of readings to the Engineer, equipment calibration and prequalification, equipment, labor, tools, and incidentals.

Special Specification 7017

Sanitary Sewers



1. DESCRIPTION

Furnish labor, materials, and equipment necessary to provide a complete sanitary sewer system in accordance and compliance with ANSI, AWWA, ASTM, ASA, SSPC, ACI, and NSF standards, the plans and specifications, and in compliance with the Department's Utility Accommodation Policy (Title 43. T.A.C., Sections 21.31-21.55).

The abbreviations ANSI, AWWA, ASTM, ASA, SSPC, ACI, and NSF in this specification refer to the following organizations:

- ANSI American National Standards Institute
- AWWA American Water Works Association
- ASTM American Society for Testing and Materials
- ASA American Standards Association
- SSPC Steel Structures Painting Council
- ACI American Concrete Institute
- NSF National Sanitation Foundation

When referring to the specifications of the above organizations, it means the latest standard or tentative standard in effect on the date of the proposal.

The size and location of utility lines shown on the plans were obtained from field surveys and from the various utility companies. The Department does not assume responsibility for the accuracy of the information presented, nor does it warrant that every utility line is shown.

2. MATERIALS

Furnish new and unused materials for this project unless otherwise specified on the plans. Provide a manufacturer's certificate of compliance for quality control of materials unless otherwise shown on the plans, except for the inspection requirements of Item 464, "Reinforced Concrete Pipe."

- 2.1 **Circular Concrete Pipe.** Provide circular concrete pipe 36 in. in diameter and greater conforming to the class specified on the plans and in accordance with Item 464, "Reinforced Concrete Pipe." Circular concrete pipe less than 36 in. in diameter is not allowed. Furnish polyvinyl chloride (PVC)-lined concrete pipe interiors for corrosion protection. See Section 2.9., "Plastic Liner for Concrete Pipes," of this specification.

Upon delivery to the trenches, the pipe and specials will be inspected for transportation and handling damages incurred after acceptance at the source of manufacture. Repair the pipe if necessary. If, in the opinion of the Engineer, the repairs are sound, properly finished and cured, and the repaired pipe conforms to the requirements of these specifications, it will be acceptable.

Unless otherwise specified on the plans, for concrete pipe, use corrosion-resistant rubber gasket joints of the "push on" type, and that meet the requirements of ASTM C443.

- 2.2 **Polyvinyl Chloride (PVC) Pipe and Fittings.**

For PVC pipe, use steel casing meeting the requirements of Section 2.8, "Steel Casing Pipe," of this specification.

Use lubricant for assembly that has no detrimental effects to the gasket or pipe and is of the type recommended by the pipe manufacturer.

Furnish a manufacturer's certification that the pipe and fittings being furnished on the project meet the requirements of this specification. Ensure written approval from the Engineer in charge accompanies this certification to the project site, before installing the pipe and fittings.

Provide pipe and fittings that are free from defects which, in the judgment of the Engineer, would hinder their ability to function as planned.

- 2.2.1. **Gravity Sewer.** Provide plastic pipe and fittings meeting the requirements of ASTM D3034 SDR35, D2241 or D3034 SDR26, F679 SDR35, or F794 Steel Carrier Pipe.
- 2.2.2. **Force Mains.** Provide PVC pipe for force mains meeting or exceeding the requirements of AWWA C-900/905. Use ductile-iron (Class 52) fittings for force main pipes.
- 2.2.3. **Water Main Crossings.** If constructing gravity or force main sewers in the vicinity of water mains, meet the requirements of the "Rules and Regulations for Public Water Systems" adopted in 1992 by the Texas Water Commission (now the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality).
- 2.3. **Ductile-Iron Pipe and Fittings.** Provide ductile-iron pipe that meets the requirements of ANSI A21.51 (AWWA C151) Class 53. Unless otherwise specified on the plans, determine the pipe thickness based on the depth of cover and an internal pressure of 150 psi. Furnish pipe in nominal 18 ft. or 20 ft. lengths.
- Provide fittings for use with ductile-iron pipe that meet the requirements of ANSI Standard A21.10 (AWWA C110). Design the fittings for a minimum working pressure of 150 psi.
- Provide joints for ductile-iron pipe of the type in accordance with the requirements of ANSI Standard A21.11 (AWWA C151) for push on or ANSI A21.15 for flanged end.
- 2.4. **Line Interiors.** Provide lined interiors meeting ANSI A21.4, cement lined with seal coat or ANSI A 21.16 fusion bonded epoxy coating for interior. Comply with NSF 61.
- 2.5. **Sanitary Sewer and Force Main Interiors**
- 2.5.1. **Preparation.** Provide commercial blast cleaning conforming to SSPC-SP6.
- 2.5.2. **Liner Thickness.** Provide a nominal liner thickness of 40 mils for the pipe barrel interior and a minimum of 6 to 10 mils at the gasket groove and outside spigot end to 6 in. back from the end.
- 2.5.3. **Testing.** Perform testing in accordance with ASTM G 62, Method B for voids and holidays. Provide written certification.
- 2.5.4. **Acceptable Lining Materials.** Provide approved virgin polyethylene conforming to ASTM D 1248, with inert fillers and carbon black to resist ultraviolet degradation during storage, heat bonded to the interior surface of pipe and fittings.
- 2.5.4.1. **Ceramic Epoxy Protection.** For the exterior of sanitary sewers, furnish a prime coat and outside asphaltic coating conforming to ANSI A21.10, ANSI A21.15, or ANSI A21.51 for pipe and fittings in open cut excavation and in casings.

- 2.6 **Gaskets.** Furnish, when no contaminant is identified, plain rubber (SBR) gasket material in accordance with ANSI A21.11 or ASTM F 477 (one bolt only). For flanged joints, furnish a 1/8-in.-thick gasket in accordance with ANSI A 21.15.
- 2.7 **Fiberglass Pipe and Fittings.** Provide centrifugally cast fiberglass pipe in accordance with the requirements of ASTM D3262 and ASTM D3681. Ensure the actual outside diameter of the pipe is in accordance with Table 3 of ASTM D3754. The standard pipe length is approximately 20 ft. A maximum of 10% of the lengths, excluding special order pipes, may be supplied in random lengths.
- Ensure the manufacturer uses only polyester resin systems with a proven history of performance in this particular application. Use only the historical data collected from applications of a composite material of similar construction and composition as the proposed product.
- For the reinforcing glass fibers used to manufacture the components, use the highest quality commercial grade glass filaments with binder and sizing compatible with impregnating resins.
- Silica sand or other suitable materials may be used for fillers.
- If resin additives, such as pigments, dyes, and other coloring agents are used, ensure they are not detrimental to the performance of the pipe and they do not impair visual inspection of the finished product.
- Provide gaskets supplied by approved gasket manufacturers, in accordance with ASTM 477, and that are suitable for the service intended.
- Provide flanges, elbows, reducers, tees, and other fittings capable of withstanding operating conditions when installed. They may be contact-molded or manufactured from metered sections of pipe joined by glass fiber reinforced overlays.
- Use a stiffness class of centrifugally cast fiberglass pipe that satisfies design requirements under ASTM D3262, but that is not less than 46 psi when used in direct-bury operation or 36 psi when installed in a tunnel liner.
- Provide centrifugally cast fiberglass pipe with an internal liner resin suitable for service as sewer pipe and that is highly resistant to exposure to sulfuric acid in accordance with ASTM D3681.
- Supply pipe manufactured by the centrifugal casting process. An acceptable manufacturer is Hobas Pipe, USA, Inc. or approved equal.
- Provide a manufacturer's certification that the pipe and fittings furnished on the project meet the requirements of this specification. Written approval from the Engineer in charge must accompany this certification to the project site, before installing the pipe and fittings.
- Furnish pipe and fittings that are free from defects which, in the judgment of the Engineer, would hinder their ability to function as planned.
- 2.8 **Steel Casing Pipe.** Provide minimum wall thicknesses in accordance with those shown in Table 1 for HS-20 live loads and depths of bury of up to 16 ft.
- Supply the pipe in double random lengths, of at least 16 ft. and at most 40 ft., unless otherwise shown on the plans. Bevel the ends of the pipe for field butt welding. Provide welder qualification in accordance with AWWA C206.

Table 1
Casing Pipe

Casing Pipe Size (in.)	Outside Diameter (in.)	Min. Wall Thickness (in.)	Approx. Weight Uncoated (lb./ft.)
6	6.625	0.219	14.97
8	8.625	0.219	19.64
10	10.750	0.219	24.60
12	12.750	0.219	29.28
14	14.000	0.219	32.00
16	16.000	0.219	36.86
20	20.000	0.250	52.73
24	24.000	0.250	63.41
30	30.000	0.250	79.43
36	36.000	0.250	95.45
42	42.000	0.250	111.50

Note: It is the design Engineer's responsibility to review the design for conditions more extreme than those indicated by this specification and to design accordingly. Do not use a thickness of the pipe wall less than that defined in Table 1.

Furnish steel casing pipe coated with coal-tar enamel externally and with polyamide epoxy internally.

2.9

Plastic Liner for Concrete Pipes. Furnish plastic liner sheets, joint, corner, and weld strips, manufactured from a high molecular weight thermoplastic polymer compounded to make a permanently flexible material suitable for use as a protective liner in pipe or other structures. Ensure polyvinyl chloride resin constitutes a minimum of 99% by weight of the resin used in the formulation. Co-polymer resins are not permitted.

Any time during the manufacture or before the final acceptance of the work, the Engineer may sample specimens taken from sheets, strips, or welded joints for testing.

Changes in formulation will be permitted only after notifying the Engineer and after the manufacturer demonstrates that the new plastic liner meets or exceeds requirements for chemical resistance and physical properties.

Furnish the plastic liner as manufactured by Ameron T-Lok, Poly-Tee, Inc., or approved equal.

Provide plastic liner sheets including locking extensions, joints, corners, and welding strips, which are free of cracks, cleavages, or other defects adversely affecting the protective characteristics of the material.

Except at shop welds, ensure plastic liner sheets, joint, corner, and weld strips have the properties shown in Table 2 when tested at 77°F ± 5°F.

Table 2
Chemical Resistance Test

Property	Initial Result	After Exposure for 112 Days in Chemical Solutions
Tensile Strength, Min.	2200 psi	2100 psi
Elongation at Break, Min.	200%	200%
Shore Diameter, Type D	Within 1 sec. 50-60	±5 (With respect to initial test result)
	10 sec. 35-50	±5
Weight Change	--	± 1.5%

2.10

Liner for Ductile-Iron Pipe. Furnish pipe internally lined with ceramic epoxy Protecto 401 or virgin polyethylene in accordance with the requirements of ASTM D1248, compounded with inert fillers and carbon black to resist ultraviolet light degradation during storage.

Heat-bond the liner to the interior of the pipe and fittings over a blast cleaned surface as recommended by the manufacturer or SSPC-SP6.

Provide a nominal liner thickness of 40 to 50 mils with a minimum thickness of 35 mils and covering surfaces exposed to sanitary sewage.

Test for voids and holidays in accordance with ASTM G62, Method B and provide a manufacturer's certification.

Furnish Polyline liner pipe manufactured by U.S. Pipe and Foundry Company, Polybond by American Cast Iron Pipe Company, or an approved equal.

Apply a polyamide epoxy prime coat to the exterior and ensure the outside asphaltic coating is in accordance with ANSI A21.10, ANSI A21.15, ANSI A21.51, or AWWA C-218 for pipe and fittings in open cut excavation and in casings.

Use a polyurethane coating for the exterior conforming to the requirements of the approved manufacturer, CORROPIPE II – TX, Madison Chemical Industries, Inc., for polyurethane coatings on steel or ductile-iron pipe.

2.11 **Polyethylene Film Wrap.**

2.11.1 **General.** Except where noted on the plans, use polyethylene film or tape as a wrap to protect ductile-iron pipe and fittings only in open ditch placements. Use polyethylene film conforming to the requirements of this specification.

2.11.2 **Film.** For polyethylene film, use virgin polyethylene in accordance with ASTM D1248 and AWWA C105, Type I, Class C, Category 5, Grade E-5, 2.5 to 3.0% carbon black content. Unless otherwise specified on the plans, use film 8 mils thick and with a tensile strength of 1200 to 2500 psi with elongation up to 600%. Also, ensure the dielectric strength is 800 volts per mil of thickness. Furnish the film in either in tubular form or in sheet form. Furnish film supplied in tubular form in the minimum widths shown in Table 3.

Table 3
Minimum Width of Film Tube (when laying flat)

Nominal Pipe Size (in.)	Push-On Joint Flat Tube Width (in.)
4	20
6	20
8	24
10	27
12	30
14	34
16	37
18	41
20	45
24	54

Furnish film supplied in sheet form in a width equal to twice that shown for tube widths.

2.11.3 **Polyethylene Tape.** For the tape used to tape film edges and overlaps, use a 3-in. wide plastic backed adhesive tape. Use Paleocene No. 900, Scotch Wrap No. 50, or approved equal.

2.12 **Concrete.** Unless otherwise shown on the plans, for concrete other than materials for pipe, use Class "A" concrete in accordance with the materials requirements of Item 420, "Concrete Substructures," and Item 421, "Hydraulic Cement Concrete."

2.13 **Cement Stabilized Sand.** Use cement stabilized sand backfill containing a minimum of 7% cement, per cubic yard of material, based on the dry weight of the aggregate in accordance with Test Method TEX-120-E, of material as placed. The materials consist of aggregate, hydraulic cement, and water. Use cement and water in accordance with the materials requirements of Item 421, "Hydraulic Cement Concrete." Furnish

sand, free from deleterious matter, with a maximum Plasticity Index of 6 when tested by Test Method TEX-106-E.

- 2.14 **Backfill and Bedding Materials.** Unless otherwise specified on the plans, furnish sand for bedding of the sanitary sewer that is free from clay lumps, organic material, and other deleterious substances. Use sand that, when tested in accordance with Test Method TEX-106-E, has a maximum Plasticity Index of 7, a maximum Liquid Limit of 25, and for which a maximum of 40% passes the No. 200 sieve.
- Use earth or native soil backfill consisting of soil containing no deleterious material such as trash, wood fragments, organics, or other objectionable material. Furnish the material from either the material removed from the excavation or offsite sources. The material may consist of soil classified by the Unified Soil Classification System (USCS) as CH, CL, SC, SP, SM, SW, or GC. Use earth backfill meeting the compaction requirements of this specification and which does not cause any settlement.
- 2.15 **Manholes.** Use materials for manholes in accordance with the materials requirements of Item 465, "Junction Boxes, Manholes and Inlets" and as shown on the plans, except that brick is not allowed. Use fiberglass manholes if shown on the plans.
- If specified, furnish prefabricated fiberglass manholes conforming to the shape, size, dimension, and details shown on the plans. Unless otherwise shown on the plans, use manhole sections in accordance with ASTM D3753. Acceptable manufacturers: fiberglass manholes manufactured by Containment Solutions Inc., L.F. Manufacturing, Inc., or an approved equal.
- Stencil the date of manufacture and name or trademark of the manufacturer in 1-in. high letters on the inside of the barrel.
- Unless a larger size is specified, use a 48-in. diameter barrel for fiberglass manholes. Construct wall sections of the appropriate thickness for the depth of manhole as specified in ASTM D3753, but not less than 0.48 in. thick.
- Provide a fabricated reducer, bonded at the factory to form a single continuous unit at the top of the manhole barrel to accept concrete grade rings and cast-iron frame and cover. For the reducer, use an acceptable design with enough strength to safely support HS-20 loading.
- For the manhole base, use a minimum 12-in. (under the invert) precast concrete base. For precast manhole bases, use an approved steel reinforced design with enough strength to withstand the imposed loads. Include an acceptable joint in the base to receive a fiberglass pipe section forming the barrel of the manhole. Coat precast concrete base sections with Thane Coat TC300 or approved equal, as recommended by the manufacturer.
- 2.16 **Rings and Covers.** Use materials for rings and covers in accordance with the material requirements of Item 471, "Frames, Grates, Rings, and Covers." Use covers and rings conforming to the shapes and dimensions shown on the plans and marked with the wording and logos shown on the plans.
- 2.17 **Reinforcing Steel.** Furnish and place reinforcing steel in accordance with the material requirements of Item 440, "Reinforcement for Concrete."
- 2.18 **Mortar.** Furnish mortar composed of one part cement, two parts finely graded clean sand, and enough water to make the mixture plastic. When required by the Engineer, add a latex adhesive to the mortar. Use latex adhesive in accordance with the requirements of Departmental Material Specifications DMS-8110. Hydrated lime ASTM C207, Type S or lime putty may be added to the mix up to a maximum of 10% by weight of the total dry mix.
- 2.19 **Adjusting Manholes.** Furnish materials for adjusting manholes in accordance with the materials requirements of Item 479, "Adjusting Manholes and Inlets," and as shown on the plans.

- 2.20 **Nonmetallic Pipe Detection.** If installing nonmetallic pipe longitudinally underground, a method of detecting the location of the nonmetallic pipe is required. The specific method used is shown on the plans or as approved. This system may involve installing some components in the trench around the pipe which are detectable by a metal detector. Alternately, the system may involve some locating equipment capable of creating a non-destructive pressure wave which can be detected above ground using a portable detection device with both audible and visual indicators. Ensure either system of detection is capable of accurately locating to a maximum depth of 3 ft. over the areas shown on the plans.
- Ensure the selected system is capable of locating lines under earth, concrete, and asphalt surfaces. Use equipment, materials, and installation as specified by the manufacturer.
- 2.21 **Air Release and Vacuum Relief Valves.** Provide combination air valves designed to fulfill the functions of air release, permitting escape of air accumulated in the line at high points of elevation while the line is under pressure and vacuum relief. Paint the valve exterior with an epoxy shop-applied primer.
- 2.21.1 **Air Release Valves.** Provide air release valves in combination with inlet, outlet connections, and orifice as specified on the plans. For valve materials, use: ASTM 48, Class 30, cast iron; float and leverage mechanism with body and cover, ASTM A 240 or ASTM A 276 stainless steel; orifice and seat, stainless steel against Buna-N or Viton mechanically retained with hex head nut and bolt. For other valve internals, use stainless steel or bronze.
- 2.21.2 **Air Release and Vacuum Valves.** Provide single-body standard combination or duplex-body custom combination valves as shown on the plans.
- 2.21.2.1 **2-in. and 3-in. Single-Body Valves.** Provide inlet and outlet sizes as shown on the plans and an orifice sized for a 100 psi working pressure. Valve materials: for the body, cover, and baffle, use ASTM A48, Class 35, or ASTM A126, Grade B cast iron; for the plug or poppet, use ASTM A276 stainless steel; for the float, use ASTM A240 stainless steel; for the seat, use Buna-N; and for other valve internals, use stainless steel.
- 2.21.2.2 **3-in. and Larger Duplex-Body Valves.** Provide air release valves as shown on the plans. Valve materials: for the body and cover, use ASTM A48, Class 35, cast iron; for the float, use ASTM A240 stainless steel; for the seat, use Type-304, stainless steel and Buna-N; and for other valve internals, use stainless steel or bronze. Construct air release valves as specified in Section 2.21.1, "Air Release Valves."
- 2.21.3 **Vacuum Release Valves.** Provide air inlet vacuum relief valves with flanged inlets and outlet connections as shown on the plans. Valve materials: for the valve body, use ASTM B 584 bronze, copper alloy 836; for the spring, use ASTM A 313, Type 304, stainless steel; for the bushing, use ASTM B 584 bronze, copper alloy 932; for the retaining screw, use ASTM A 276, Type 304, stainless steel. Set the valves to open under a pressure differential of 0.25 psi (maximum).

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- 3.1 **Excavating and Backfilling.** Excavate and backfill as required to complete the work as outlined in this specification, in accordance with construction requirements of Item 400, "Excavation and Backfill for Structures," and as shown on the plans.
- Construct sewer lines in open cut trenches with vertical sides, except in those locations where the pipe is to be jacked, bored, tunneled, or augered. Construct the trench in accordance with the dimensions shown in the Excavation and Backfill Diagram.
- Sheath and brace trenches to the extent necessary to maintain the sides of the trench in a vertical position throughout the construction period. Protect excavation greater than 5 ft. in depth as required in accordance with Item 402, "Trench Excavation Protection" or Item 403, "Temporary Special Shoring."
- Always open and excavate the trench to the finished grade for a minimum distance of 50 ft. in advance of the previously placed joint of pipe. To allow for possible adjustment of alignment and grade, positively locate

existing sewer lines which will connect to the sewer under construction, well in advance of making those connections.

Construct sanitary sewers in dry trenches. Perform additional work as necessary, such as dewatering or well-pointing, placing additional sheathing, or placing a concrete seal in the bottom of the trench, to accomplish this objective. This work, if necessary, is subsidiary to the pertinent bid items.

If it is necessary to excavate trenches adjacent to improved property, take precautions necessary to prevent damaging or impairing that property. If it is necessary to disturb grass, shrubs, driveways, etc., restore such improvements to their original condition.

3.1.1 **Existing Streets.** Unless otherwise shown on the plans, open cut existing streets.

If sanitary sewer construction requires cutting through existing streets outside the limits of new street construction, replace them in kind in conformance with the pertinent specifications in the proposal and as directed.

Cut-back the existing pavement a minimum of 1 ft. on each side of the sanitary sewer trench before replacing concrete and asphalt paving. Additional trench width may be required for unstable conditions. If this repaired area is to remain after final construction, then the repair area is to be full lane width from expansion joint to expansion joint for concrete pavement or the length of the repair for asphalt pavement.

If, in the opinion of the Engineer, a single lane closure is insufficient to maintain traffic across a trench, construct temporary access as necessary to safely maintain the traffic flow.

If the proposed sanitary sewer parallels the edge of an existing permanent pavement (i.e., concrete pavement, concrete base with asphalt surface, etc.) and is 3 ft. or less from the edge of that pavement, protect the trench with timber sheathing and bracing. Leave the bracing in place at intervals of 5 ft. maximum, for the duration of the excavation.

Keep the street surface adjacent to the trench free of surplus spoil. Place construction materials at locations that will minimize interference with the traveling public.

A maximum of 2 street intersections may be closed at any time, unless otherwise authorized by the Engineer in writing.

3.1.2 **Cutting and Restoring Pavement.** If installing sewers in streets or other paved areas, the work includes saw cutting the pavement and asphalt stabilized base (if any), removing the foundation base to neat lines, and replacing these materials after sewer excavation and backfill are complete. The type and thickness of replacement materials is shown on the plans. Performing work on or making repairs to damaged base and pavement within the project limits will be measured and paid for under the applicable specifications.

If excavating in streets or highways, maintain traffic and provide traffic control in accordance with the plans.

When allowed by the construction sequence shown on the plans or when directed, use a "temporary concrete cap" of the depth and class of concrete shown on the plans, or as otherwise directed, instead of a permanent repair.

3.2 **Bedding.** Before laying the pipe, shape the bedding material to conform to the outside diameter of the pipe as shown on the plans. Carefully prepare bell holes to fit the bell where using bell and spigot pipe.

3.3 **Laying Pipe.**

3.3.1 **General.** Lay sewers in a straight line, so that a light can be seen from one manhole to the other, even for the smaller size sewers. Accurately lay the pipe to line and grade, with the spigot end downstream entering the bell of the next joint of pipe. Fit pipes and fittings together and match them so they form a sewer with a

smooth, watertight, and uniform invert. Take measures to provide uniform bearing for the entire length of the pipe.

Install sewer lines meeting the minimum separation distance from any potable water line, as required by the Design Criteria for Sewage Systems, Texas Administrative Code - Chapter 317.13, Appendix E., of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality Regulations.

Lay pipe to the lines and grades shown on the plans. To ensure proper placement, use adequate surveying methods, equipment, and employ personnel competent in the use of this equipment. Unless otherwise approved, the maximum allowable deviation of the pipe from the horizontal and vertical alignment indicated on the plans is 0.10 ft. Measure and record the "as-built" horizontal alignment and vertical grade at a maximum of every 50 ft. on the on-site recorded plans.

Submit a mylar set of plans with this "as-built" information to the Engineer for final acceptance.

During pipe laying operations, always keep pipe trenches free of water which might impair pipe laying operations. Ensure holes for bells are of ample size to prevent bells from contacting the subgrade. Carefully grade the pipe trenches to provide uniform support along the bottom of the pipe.

Do not lay more than 50 ft. of pipe in the trench ahead of backfilling operations. If the pipe laying operations are interrupted for more than 48 hours, cover the pipe laid in the trench simultaneously on each side of the pipe to avoid lateral displacement of the pipe and damage to the joints. If adjustment of the position of a length of pipe is required after it has been laid, remove and re-lay it in accordance with these specifications at no expense to the Department. After completing pipe laying and joining operations, clean the inside of the pipe and remove any debris.

Use caution to prevent damage to the coating or polyethylene film wrap when placing backfill. Place backfill in accordance with this specification.

Do not place more than 1,000 ft. of pipe on publicly used streets ahead of the trench excavating machine. Obtain permission, in writing, from the owner or the owner's agent before placing materials or equipment on private property.

Regardless of the type of pipe being used, place sand bedding in the bottom of the trench and compact it to a depth of 6 in. Carefully grade the bedding and excavate bell holes.

Lay pipe with bell ends facing in the direction of laying, unless otherwise directed.

Adjust the pipe and fittings to be at their proper locations and prepare each joint as specified on the plans and by the Engineer. While laying each joint of pipe in the trench, center the spigot end in the bell of the previously laid pipe. Force the pipe home and bring it to correct line and grade. Ensure each length of pipe rests on the bottom of the trench throughout its entire length.

If laying of pipe is discontinued for the day or for an indefinite period, tightly place a cap or plug in the end of the last pipe laid to prevent the intrusion of water. When water is excluded from the interior of polyvinyl chloride pipe, place enough backfill on the pipe to prevent floating. Schedule the work to prevent the possibility of floatation. Remove pipe that has floated from the trench and re-lay it as directed.

When PVC pipe is assembled on top of the trench, allow it to cool to ground temperature before backfilling to prevent pull out due to thermal contraction.

3.3.2

PVC Pipe and Fittings. Splicing is not allowed unless the required length of a straight section of pipe exceeds 30 ft. The Engineer may waive this requirement to meet special conditions.

Use devices required for attaching the pipe to portions of structures or to other types of pipe that are shown on the plans or as approved. Install a water stop gasket and clamp at each PVC connection to a manhole.

After installing, clean and paint pipe and fittings which are exposed to view in the completed structure, as shown on the plans.

- 3.3.3 **Ductile-Iron Pipe and Fittings.** Provide and operate proper and suitable tools and appliances for safely and conveniently handling the pipe and fittings. Use caution to prevent damaging the pipe coating. Examine pipe for defects and do not lay pipe that is known to be defective. If any defective pipe is discovered after being laid, remove and replace it with sound pipe at no expense to the Department. If the pipe requires cutting, perform it in conformance with the manufacturer's recommendations for pipe 12 in. in diameter and smaller. Use approved cutting methods for larger pipes. Ensure each cut is smooth and at right angles to the axis of the pipe.

- 3.3.4 **Thrust Restraint.** Unless otherwise shown on the plans, provide Portland cement concrete thrust blocking for force mains up to 12-in. in diameter, to prevent movement of buried lines under pressure at bends, tees, caps, valves, and hydrants. Place concrete in accordance with details on the plans. Place thrust blocks between undisturbed ground and fittings. Anchor the fittings to the thrust blocks so that the pipe and fitting joints are accessible for repairs. Extend the concrete from 6 in. below the pipe or fitting to 12 in. above.

For force mains larger than 12 in. in diameter, and where indicated on the plans, provide restrained joints conforming to the requirements of the force main pipe material specifications. Install restrained joints for the length of pipe on both sides of each bend or fitting for the full length shown on the plans.

Horizontal and vertical bends between zero and 10 degrees deflection angle will not require thrust blocks or harnessed or restrained joints.

For horizontal and vertical bends between 10 degrees and 90 degrees deflection angle, provide thrust restraint as shown on the plans.

Provide thrust restraint at tees, plugs, blowoff drains, valves, and caps, as indicated.

Reinforced concrete encasement of force main pipe and fittings may be used in lieu of manufactured joint restraint systems. Provide alternate joint restraint systems using reinforced concrete encasement that conform to following design requirements:

- Ensure design calculations are performed and sealed by Professional Engineer licensed in the State of Texas.
- Base design calculations upon soil parameters qualified in a geotechnical report for the site where alternative thrust system will be installed. When data is not available for the site, use parameters recommended by a geotechnical engineer.
- The design system pressure is the specified test pressure.
- Utilize the following safety factors in sizing the restraint system:
 - Apply a factor of safety equal to 1.5 for passive soil resistance.
 - Apply a factor of safety equal to 2.0 for soil friction.
- Contain the encasement entirely within the standard trench width and terminate it on both ends at the pipe bell or coupling.
- Design the concrete encasement reinforcement steel for all loads, including internal pressure and longitudinal forces. Design the concrete in accordance with ACI 318.

Install piping and fittings true to alignment with rigid support. Provide anchorage where required. Repair any damage to linings before the pipe is installed. Clean out each length of pipe before installation. Adhere to the pipe manufacturer's recommendations.

Ensure the deflection at joints does not exceed that recommended by the pipe manufacturer. Provide fittings, in addition to those shown on the plans, if required, in areas where conflict exists with existing facilities.

Fabricate flanged joints using gaskets, bolts, bolt studs with a nut on each end, or studs with nuts where the flange is tapped. Use the number and size of bolts that conform to the same ANSI standard as the flanges.

Tighten bolts in flanged joints or mechanical joints alternately and evenly.

- 3.3.5 **Fiberglass Pipe.** Do not use stiffening ribs or rings. Provide a water stop flange (wall pipe) for connection to existing cast-in-place manholes.

If the pipe is cut in the field or the interior lining is disturbed, re-coat the interior with a similar quantity of the liner resin in accordance with this specification.

Do not exceed forces recommended by the manufacturer for coupling pipes. If excessive force is required, remove the coupling, determine the source of the problem and correct it.

When jointing the pipe, do not exceed the deflection angle, measured by mandrel, permitted by the manufacturer, unless otherwise directed.

Either affix gaskets to the pipe by means of a suitable adhesive or install them in such a manner to prevent the gasket from rolling out of the pipe's pre-cut groove.

- 3.4 **Manholes.** Construct manholes in accordance with Item 465, "Junction Boxes, Manholes and Inlets" and with the details shown on the plans.

- 3.5 **Adjusting Manholes.** Adjust manholes in accordance with the construction requirements of Item 479, "Adjusting Manholes and Inlets" and as shown on the plans.

Elevations of manholes may be raised by using precast concrete rings. Elevations of manholes may be lowered by removing existing cast-in-place walls, adjusting rings, or the top section of the barrel below the new elevation and then rebuilding or raising the elevation to the proper height.

Salvage and reuse cast-iron frames and covers. Protect or block off manhole or inlet bottoms by using wood forms shaped to fit so that no debris or soil falls to the bottom during adjustment.

Install a cast-in-place slab at the top of the manhole barrel to receive the cast-iron frame and cover. Form concrete slabs a minimum of 6 in. thick. Set the cast-iron frame for the manhole cover in a full mortar bed and adjust it to the established elevation. If placing in streets, adjust covers to be flush with the top of the pavement.

The following requirements apply for fiberglass manhole adjustments: install concrete grade rings for height adjustment, as required. Construct the chimney on the flat shoulder. Do not load the manhole except on the load bearing shoulder of the manhole. The maximum adjustment height is 18 in.

Use a cut length of approved Fiberglass Reinforced Pipe (FRP) to create a finished liner inside the adjustment rings. Cut the pipe to fit between the casting and the top of the fiberglass manhole reducer. Completely seal the liner pipe to the casting and to the manhole reducer section with sealant as recommended by the manufacturer.

Set the cast-iron frame on top of the cone or adjustment rings using approved sealant materials and adjust the elevation of the casting cover to match the pavement surface. For manholes in unpaved areas, set the top of the frame a minimum of 6 in. above the existing ground line unless otherwise shown on the plans.

- 3.6 **Service Connections.** If existing service connections are tied into existing sewers which will be abandoned, reconnect such connections to the proposed sewers as shown on the plans or as directed.

If sewers are more than 6 ft. in depth from the finished grade to the top of the pipe, construct service connections by placing stacks on the sewer line.

Construct sewer stacks in a manner approved by the Engineer and in accordance with the details shown on the plans. If stacks are to be adjusted, make the adjustment in a manner as directed by the Engineer.

If sewers are 6 ft. or less in depth from the finished grade to the top of the pipe, construct service connections by placing wyes or tees in the sewer line at each location and using 1/4 or 1/8 bends where necessary to tie into the existing house sewer lead.

For stub outs, use PVC sewer pipe, 6-in. through 10-in. diameters, in accordance with ASTM D1784 and ASTM 3034 with a cell classification of 12454-B. Use a SDR (ratio of diameter to wall thickness) of 26 for pipe 12-in. in diameter or less and a SDR of 35 for larger pipe.

Use gasket-jointed PVC pipe with the gasket in accordance with ASTM D3212.

Select the service connection pipe diameter to match the existing service diameter, but use a minimum diameter of 6-in.

Furnish a one-piece prefabricated saddle, made either of polyethylene or PVC, with a neoprene gasket for connection to HDPE. Use full body fittings for new PVC installation.

For connection between a stub out and existing service, use a minimum 6-in. diameter flexible PVC coupling, Fernco Adapter, or an approved equal as needed.

Use 1/2-in. stainless steel bands to secure saddles to the liner pipe and the couplings to the service line.

Reconnect service connections, including those to unoccupied or abandoned buildings or to vacant lots, unless otherwise directed.

Include reconnected services on the as-built plans. Record the exact distance from each service connection to the nearest downstream manhole.

Test the service connection before backfilling. Use backfill in accordance with this specification and details as shown on the plans.

3.7 **Jacking, Boring, or Tunneling Pipe.**

3.7.1 **General.** Perform jacking, boring, or tunneling for sanitary sewers at the locations shown on the plans and at other locations specifically designated.

Unless otherwise shown on the plans, provide casing pipe in accordance with the requirements of Section 2.8., "Steel Casing Pipe," of this specification.

3.7.2 **Jacking.** Perform jacking in accordance with the requirements of Section 476.3.1., "Jacking," of Item 476, "Jacking, Boring, or Tunneling Pipe or Box."

3.7.3 **Boring.** Perform boring in accordance with the requirements of Section 476.3.2., "Boring or Tunneling," of Item 476, "Jacking, Boring, or Tunneling Pipe or Box."

If sewer lines cross underneath driveways (16 ft. wide or less) and sidewalks, install pipe in tight-fitting augered holes.

If the centerline of the proposed sanitary sewer is 10 ft. or less from the centerline of an 8-in. diameter or larger growing tree, place the pipe in a tight-fitting augered hole. Extend the bored hole at least 4 ft. beyond each side of the tree.

3.7.4 **Tunneling.** Perform tunneling in accordance with the requirements of Section 476.3.3., "Tunneling," of Item 476, "Jacking, Boring, or Tunneling Pipe or Box."

3.8 **Handling of Pipe and Accessories.**

3.8.1 **General.** Unload pipe, fittings, and accessories at the point of delivery and haul them to the project site. Distribute the material opposite or near to the place where it will be laid in the trench. Do not drop the materials. Do not skid or roll pipe handled on skid ways against pipe already on the ground.

Load, transport, unload, and otherwise handle pipe and fittings in a manner and by methods which will prevent damage to them. Handle and transport pipe with equipment designed, constructed, and arranged to prevent damage to the pipe, lining, and coating. Bare chains, hooks, metal bars, or narrow skids or cradles are not permitted to come in contact with the coatings. Ensure spiders are installed by the manufacturer at joint ends of fittings.

Hoist pipe from the trench side into the trench by using a sling of smooth steel cable, canvas, leather, nylon, or similar material.

During pipe construction operations, always use caution to prevent injury to the pipe, protective linings, and coatings.

If stacking pipe, package it on timbers. Place protective pads under the banding straps at the time of packaging.

If fork trucks are used to relocate pipe, pad the forks using carpet or some other suitable type of material. When relocating pipe using a crane or backhoe, use nylon straps, not chains or cables around the pipe for lifting.

Do not lift pipe using hooks at each end of the pipe.

Repair or replace any damage done to the pipe or the protective lining and coating, from any cause, during the installation of the pipeline and before final acceptance by the purchaser, at the expense of the laying Contractor, and in conformance with the applicable standards and as directed.

3.8.2 **Cleaning of Pipe and Accessories.** Remove lumps, blisters, and excess coating from the bell and spigot ends of ductile-iron pipe and fittings. Wire brush the outside of the spigot and the inside of the bell and wipe clean, dry, and free from oil and grease before laying the pipe.

Remove foreign matter or dirt from the interior of sanitary sewer pipe and accessories and from the mating surfaces of the joints before lowering the material into the trench. During and after laying by approved means, keep the pipe and accessories clean.

Use cleaning solutions, detergents, solvents, etc. with caution when cleaning PVC pipe.

3.9 **Abandoning Sanitary Sewers.** Where plans call for abandoning sanitary sewers, adhere to the following general procedure:

After the replacement main is constructed, tested, and released, and after services are transferred to the replacement line, locate the line to be abandoned and trace it back to the feeder line and at this point cut, plug, and abandon it. Grout the pipe if required by the plans.

3.10 **Removing Sanitary Sewers, Casing, Force Main, and Manholes.** Remove sanitary sewers, casing, force mains, and manholes in accordance with Item 100, "Preparing Right of Way" or as shown on the plans. This work includes removing and disposing of the pipe and appurtenances as shown on the plans or as directed. Excavation and backfill, as required, are subsidiary to this Item.

3.11 **Joining Pipe and Accessories.**

- 3.11.1 **General.** After thoroughly cleaning the inside of the bell and the outside of the spigot, install members in conformance with the manufacturer's recommendation.
- Mark pipe and accessories that are not furnished with a depth mark before assembling to assure that the spigot end is inserted to the full depth of the joint.
- 3.11.2 **Polyvinyl Chloride Pipe and Accessories.** Join plastic pipe in conformance with the instructions furnished by the manufacturer. Do not handle or install pipe joined using solvent cementing techniques, in the trench until after the joints are sufficiently "cured" to prevent weakening the joint.
- Use lubrication for rubber-jacketed joints that is water soluble, non-toxic, non-supporting of bacteria growth, and has no deteriorating effect on PVC or the rubber gaskets.
- 3.11.3 **Ductile-Iron Pipe.** Except as noted on the plans, wrap ductile-iron pipe (including fittings and other appurtenances) with a polyethylene film wrap material.
- 3.11.4 **Fiberglass Pipe.** Unless otherwise shown on the plans, field connect pipe with fiberglass sleeve couplings that use elastomeric sealing gaskets as the sole means to maintain joint water tightness. Ensure the joints meet the performance requirements of ASTM D4161.
- 3.11.5 **Diversions Pumping.** Provide continuous sanitary sewer service to users of the sewer system during construction and maintenance operations, by diverting the flow around such areas. Maintain sewer flow to prevent backup or overflow onto streets, yards, and unpaved areas or into buildings, adjacent ditches, storm sewers, and waterways. Do not divert sewage outside of the sanitary sewer system. During pump operation, provide an experienced operator on site to monitor operation, adjust pumps, perform minor repairs to the system, and report problems.
- 3.12 **Installing the Nonmetallic Pipe Detection System.** Install the nonmetallic pipe detection system concurrently with placing the proposed pipe. Install this system as specified by the manufacturer and as approved. Install a complete, operational system that is satisfactory to the owner of the utility.
- 3.13 **Air Release and Vacuum Valves.** Inspect valves in open and closed positions to verify they are in satisfactory working condition. Install valves in conformance with the manufacturer's recommendation. Set manholes and vaults plumb as shown on the details and center manholes on valves. Provide above-ground vents for manholes and vaults as shown on the plans.

4. TESTING SANITARY SEWERS FOR LEAKAGE

- 4.1 **Basic Requirements.** Ensure sewers, when tested in accordance with this specification, do not show leakage of more than 50 gallons per 24 hours per inch of inside diameter, per mile of sewer.
- 4.2 **General.** Conduct testing under the supervision of the Engineer. It is the Engineer's option to conduct tests by either the infiltration method or the exfiltration method. On sewers larger than 24 in. in diameter, the tests may consist of visual inspection inside the sewer to locate leaks. The visual inspection method will be used for monolithic sewers. Where the section of sewer to be tested is entirely below the ground water table that will provide the required test head, the test will ordinarily be made by the infiltration method.
- Test the first section of each size or type of sewer laid on the job that is 300 ft. or greater in length, installed by each crew, to determine the adequacy of the materials and methods used and the proficiency of the crew. Backfill this section to a minimum of 18 in. above the top of the pipe and test it without undue delay. If this initial section fails to meet the requirements of the test, make changes in methods, materials, and crew as necessary to correct the deficiency. It is the Engineer's option to require the Contractor to test any or all of the remaining sections of the sewer.

Completely backfill sewers, other than the first section described above, except at the stacks, before testing. It is the Contractor's option to make preliminary tests with a minimum of 18 in. of backfill over the pipe to

determine if any need for repairs in the sewer is indicated. Such preliminary tests are entirely for the Contractor's information and will not be accepted instead of final tests.

Unless notified that the test will be made by the infiltration method, leave the tops of the stacks exposed and unplugged until after performing the leak test. Temporarily extend upward, stacks which may terminate below the test level by installing an additional length of pipe in the top.

Notify the Engineer a minimum of 24 hours in advance of performing the tests.

If the bottom of the trench is below the ground water level, provide suitable means at each manhole for readily determining the ground water level until testing is completed or waived by the Engineer. This may, as an example, consist of a pipe not less than 3 in. in diameter, plugged at the bottom and perforated for at least the lower 3 ft., with the perforations wrapped with at least two thicknesses of burlap, set in the trench before backfilling. Remove such pipes or cut them off at least 2 ft. below the ground after testing is completed or waived by the Engineer. Before removing, protect the pipes against damage and exclude earth or other material from them.

It is the Engineer's option, to vary the procedures described below under "infiltration test" and "exfiltration test" provided the methods used give an accurate measurement of the leakage occurring at the water levels specified.

4.3 **Testing Procedures (Gravity System).**

4.3.1 **Infiltration Test.** This test may be used where the ground water level rises to a plane that provides a test head not less than that specified for exfiltration tests. Stop all pumps and allow the ground water to return to its normal level (at least the elevation as indicated above) and allow it to remain so for at least 24 hours (the pipe will be filled with water to the overflow depth) and ensure leakage flows at a uniform rate through the opening in the plug in the downstream end of the section of sewer being tested before starting the test. Determine leakage by measuring the flow through the opening in the downstream plug during a given time. Perform 5 separate measurements over a 2-hour period. Use the average of the measurements, discarding any 1 of the 5 measurements, except the last, that varies by more than 50% from the average of the other 4. If the results of the test are otherwise satisfactory, but the last of the 5 measurements shows leakage in excess of that permitted, continue the tests to determine if additional leaks have developed during testing.

4.3.2 **Exfiltration Test.** It is the Contractor's option to keep the pipe full of water for 24 hours before the test to permit absorption by the pipe. If the Contractor wishes to fill the pipe, notify the Engineer by the time backfill is completed. The Engineer will then give notice at least 48 hours before the test will be made to allow time for filling and soaking the pipe.

Supply plugs for this purpose. At least 2 hours before the test starts, bleed off the water to below the level of the top of the pipe at its lower end and allow it to remain so until the water level remains static at this level or continues to fall. Perform the test in the following manner:

Insert a watertight plug equipped with a pipe riser and brace it in the inlet opening of the downstream manhole. Insert and brace a similar plug, equipped with a suitable vent pipe that will permit the air to escape in the pipe at its upper end, in the outlet opening of the upstream manhole.

Fill the sewer and risers with water up to a level that is either 2-1/2 ft. above the highest point in the sewer pipe, service connection, or groundwater table, whichever is highest, plus the vertical distance from the invert of the sewer at its lower end up to the level of the ground water, where such ground water exists above the invert of the sewer.

Fill the sewer with water as a continuous operation as rapidly as the supply will permit. Complete this filling in a minimum of 2 hours for sewers 12 in. in diameter or smaller, 3 hours for sewers 15 in. through 24 in. in diameter, and 4 hours for larger sewers. Over a one-hour period, measure the leakage during the test period by adding measured quantities of water to maintain the water level in the test structure. The quantity of water added to maintain the initial water level is the amount of leakage.

Test criteria and allowable leakage for exfiltration and infiltration tests are shown in Table 5.

Table 5
Test Criteria Table for Exfiltration and Infiltration Water Tests

Diameter of Riser or Stack ¹	Volume per Inch of Depth		Allowable Leakage ²	
	(in.)	(cu. in.)	(gal.)	Pipe Diameter (in.)
1	0.7854	0.0034	6	0.0039
2	3.1416	0.0136	8	0.0053
2.5	4.9087	0.0212	10	0.0066
3	7.0686	0.0306	12	0.0079
4	12.5664	0.0306	15	0.0099
5	19.6350	0.0544	18	0.0118
6	28.2743	0.1224	21	0.0138
8	50.2655	0.2176	24	0.0158
			27	0.0177
			30	0.0197
			36	0.0237
			42	0.0276
1. For other diameters, multiply the square of diameter, by the value for 1 in. diameter.			2. Equivalent to 50 gallons per inch of inside diameter per mile in 24 hours.	

4.3.3

Low Pressure Air Test. For sanitary sewers of less than 36-in. average inside diameters, conduct testing in sections less than 300 ft. long. For shorter runs, conduct the low pressure air test from manhole to manhole. Test 36-in. and larger sewer mains, every two runs of pipe with one pipe joint connection in between.

Perform the low pressure air test in accordance with ASTM C828 and ASTM C924, using holding times not less than those listed in Tables 6, 7, and 8.

Low Pressure Air Test:

Note 1: Tables are based on the following equation:

$$T = 0.0850(D)(K)/(Q)$$

- T = Time for pressure to drop 1.0 pound per square inch gauge (psig), in seconds
- K = 0.000419(D)(L), but not less than 1.0
- D = Average inside diameter, in inches
- L = Length of line of the same pipe size being tested, in feet
- Q = Rate of loss = 0.0015 Cubic feet/min./sq. ft. of internal surface area

Note 2: Add 1.0 psig for each 2.3 ft. of water above the highest point in the sewer.

Note 3: When two sizes of pipe are involved, compute the time by using the ratio of the lengths involved. For example, using 400 ft. of 10-in. pipe and 200 ft. of 6-in. pipe:

$$\text{Time} = \frac{\text{Length}_1 \times \text{Time}_1 + \text{Length}_2 \times \text{Time}_2}{\text{Length}_1 + \text{Length}_2}$$

$$= \frac{400 \times 15:50 + 200 \times 5:40}{400 + 200} = \frac{400 \times 950 + 200 \times 340}{400 + 200}$$

$$= 747 \text{ Seconds} = 12:27 \text{ min:sec}$$

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Table 6
Time Allowed for Pressure Loss from 3.5 psig to 2.5 psig

Pipe Diameter (in.)	Minimum Time (min:sec)	Length for Minimum Time (ft.)	Time for Longer Length (sec.)	Specification Time for Length (L) Shown in (min:sec)				
				100 ft.	150 ft.	200 ft.	250 ft.	300 ft.
6	5:40	398	0.8548	5:40	5:40	5:40	5:40	5:40
8	7:33	298	1.5196	7:33	7:33	7:33	7:33	7:36
10	9:27	239	2.3743	9:27	9:27	9:27	9:54	11:52
12	11:20	199	3.4190	11:20	11:20	11:20	14:15	17:06
15	14:10	159	5.3423	14:10	14:10	17:48	22:16	26:43
18	17:00	133	7.6928	17:00	19:14	25:39	32:03	38:28
21	19:50	114	10.4708	19:50	26:11	34:54	43:38	52:21
24	22:40	99	13.6762	22:48	34:11	45:35	56:59	68:23
27	25:30	88	17.3089	28:51	43:16	57:42	72:07	68:33
30	28:20	80	21.3690	35:37	53:25	71:14	89:02	106:51
33	31:10	72	25.8565	43:06	64:38	86:11	107:44	129:17

Table 7
Time Allowed for Pressure Loss from 3.5 psig to 2.5 psig

Pipe Diameter (in.)	Minimum Time (min:sec)	Length for Minimum Time (ft.)	Time for Longer Length (sec.)	Specification Time for Length (L) Shown in (min:sec)			
				350 ft.	400 ft.	450 ft.	500 ft.
6	5:40	398	0.8548	5:40	5:42	6:25	7:07
8	7:33	298	1.5196	8:52	10:08	11:24	12:40
10	9:27	239	2.3743	13:51	15:50	17:48	19:47
12	11:20	199	3.4190	19:57	22:48	25:39	28:30
15	14:10	159	5.3423	31:10	35:37	40:04	44:31
18	17:00	133	7.6928	44:52	51:17	57:42	64:06
21	19:50	114	10.4708	61:05	69:48	78:32	87:15
24	22:40	99	13.6762	79:47	91:10	102:34	113:58
27	25:30	88	17.3089	100:58	115:24	129:49	144:14
30	28:20	80	21.3690	124:39	142:28	160:16	178:05
33	31:10	72	25.8565	150:50	172:23	193:55	215:28

Table 8
Time Allowed for Pressure Loss from 3.5 psig to 2.5 psig

Pipe Diameter (in.)	Minimum Time (min:sec)	Length for Minimum Time (ft.)	Time for Longer Length (sec.)	Specification Time for Length (L) Shown in (min:sec)	
				550 ft.	600 ft.
6	5:40	398	0.8548	7:50	8:33
8	7:33	298	1.5196	13:56	15:12
10	9:27	239	2.3743	21:46	23:45
12	11:20	199	3.4190	31:20	34:11
15	14:10	159	5.3423	48:58	53:25
18	17:00	133	7.6928	70:31	76:56
21	19:50	114	10.4708	95:59	104:42
24	22:40	99	13.6762	125:22	136:46
27	25:30	88	17.3089	158:40	173:05
30	28:20	80	21.3690	195:53	213:41
33	31:10	72	25.8565	237:01	258:34

4.3.4 **Leakage Testing for Manholes.** After completing manhole construction, wall sealing, or rehabilitation, but before backfilling, test manholes for water tightness using hydrostatic or vacuum testing procedures as described below.

Plug influent and effluent lines, including service lines, with suitably-sized pneumatic or mechanical plugs. Use plugs that are properly rated for the pressures required for the test. Adhere to the manufacturer's safety and installation recommendations. Place plugs a minimum of 6 in. outside of manhole walls. Brace the inverts to prevent lines from dislodging if lines entering the manhole have not been backfilled.

4.3.4.1 **Vacuum Testing.** Install the vacuum tester head assembly at the top access point of the manhole and adjust it for a proper seal on the straight top section of the manhole structure. Following the manufacturer's instructions and safety precautions, inflate the sealing element to the recommended maximum inflation pressure. Do not over-inflate the sealing element.

Evacuate the manhole with a vacuum pump to 10 in. of mercury (Hg) then disconnect the pump and monitor the vacuum for the time period specified in the Table 9.

Table 9
Vacuum Test Time Table

Depth in Feet	Time in Seconds, by Pipe Diameter		
	48 in.	60 in.	72 in.
4	10	13	16
8	20	26	32
12	30	39	48
16	40	52	64
20	50	65	80
24	60	78	96
See Note	5.0	6.5	8.0

Note: Add T times for each additional 2-ft. depth. (The values listed above have been extrapolated from ASTM C924-85)

If the drop in vacuum exceeds 1 in. of mercury (Hg) over the specified time period tabulated above, locate the leaks, complete repairs necessary to seal the manhole, and repeat the test procedure until satisfactory results are obtained.

4.3.4.2 **Hydrostatic Exfiltration Testing.** Perform hydrostatic exfiltration testing as follows: seal the wastewater lines entering the manhole with an internal pipe plug, then fill the manhole with water, and maintain it full for a minimum of one hour. The maximum leakage allowed for hydrostatic testing is 0.025 gallons per foot diameter per foot of manhole depth per hour.

If the water loss exceeds the amount tabulated above, locate the leaks, complete repairs necessary to seal the manhole, and repeat the test procedure until satisfactory results are obtained.

4.4 **Testing Procedures (Pressure or Force Main System).** After each section of force main is completed and can be isolated so high pressure cannot force test water into the operating system, hydrostatically test it. Perform such testing in accordance with Section 4 of AWWA C-600-77, as modified below:

- First, flush the test section with open bleeds with the flow controlled at the feed from the operating system so that the flushing pressure is always well below that of the operating system.
- Momentarily pressurize the pipe to 160 psi as a "burst" test. Conduct the leak test at a pressure of 140 psi.
- Pipe installations exceeding the leakage determined by the following formula will not be accepted:

$$L = \frac{(S) (D) (P)^{0.5}}{133,200}$$

in which (L) is the allowable leakage, in gallons per hour; (S) is the length of pipe in feet; (D) is the nominal inside diameter of the pipe in inches; and (P) is the average test pressure during the leakage test, in pounds per square inch gauge.

- After removing temporary inserts installed for hydrostatic testing, and before backfilling, leave the replacement piping exposed for visual inspection for leakage under normal pressure (after disinfection).

- 4.5 **Deflection Test of Thermoplastic Pipe (PVC, etc.).** Thirty days after backfilling, test flexible pipe (PVC, etc.) lines for deflection by pulling a mandrel or an approved deflectometer through the line. Perform mandrel testing in accordance with ASTM D3034 or F794. Remove and reinstall sections indicating 5% deflection or more, then retest for leakage and deflection. Mandrel testing is not required for stubs.
- 4.6 **Defective Sewers.** Remove sections of the sewer that show leakage exceeding that which is permitted by these specifications and re-lay them or otherwise make good by repairing using approved methods and materials. Perform permanent type repairs. Repair individual leaks that may appear whether or not the overall section meets the leakage requirements. Individual leaks will ordinarily be revealed by looking through the sewer with a light when the ground water level is over the sewer, or immediately after water from exfiltration tests is emptied from the sewer. Settlement in the backfill during exfiltration tests will be taken as an indication of leakage in the sewer.
- 4.7 **Retests.** After completing repairs, retest for leakage those sewers which failed to meet the requirements of the leak test.
- 4.8 **Responsibility of the Department.** The Engineer will observe the sanitary sewer construction and other contributing work. He or she will monitor the testing of this system for compliance with the plans and specifications.
- 4.9 **Responsibilities of the Contractor.** Conduct tests and supply labor, materials, and equipment required to perform the tests described in this specification.

5. MEASUREMENT

This Item will be measured as follows:

- 5.1 **Sanitary Sewers** will be measured by the foot, of the various sizes, types, and wall thickness (if applicable), of sanitary sewer specified, complete in place, tested, and accepted by the Engineer. Sanitary sewer will be measured longitudinally along the centerline of the sewer between the inside faces of the manholes.

If the installation involves a connection to an existing sewer line, the measurement will be made from the end of the existing sewer line to the inside face of the manhole on the work being measured.

Sanitary sewer pipe will be measured as described above and classified as sanitary sewers for the purposes of payment.

Wyes, tees, and bends are subsidiary to this Item. Include them in the measurement for payment of pipe sewer main in which they are installed. Plugs are subsidiary to the pertinent bid items.

- 5.2 **Steel Casing** will be measured by the foot of the various sizes installed by the open cut method complete in place and accepted by the Engineer. Steel casing will be measured longitudinally along the centerline of the casing pipe. The conditions, etc., regarding the measurement of sanitary sewers stated under Section 5.1. above also apply to casing pipe.

- 5.3 **Manholes** will be measured by each manhole, of the various types specified, complete in place.
- 5.4 **Adjusting Manholes** will be measured by each manhole adjusted.
- 5.5 **Jacking, Boring, or Tunneling** for sanitary sewers and steel casing will be measured by the foot of the various sizes, types, and wall thickness (if applicable) specified of sanitary sewer or steel casing jacked, bored, or tunneled.
- 5.6 **Service Connections** will be measured by each complete disconnection (abandoned connection) or reconnection of the material, type, diameter, and depth range (0 to 10 ft., 10-15 ft., or greater than 15 ft.) specified for each sanitary sewer service. The depth will be measured from the natural ground level to the flow line of the sanitary sewer main at the point of reconnection, for the Contractor's information only. One or more connections discharging into a common point will be considered as one service connection.
- 5.7 **Abandoning Sanitary Sewers** will be measured by each sewer abandoned of the sizes specified.
- 5.8 **Cutting and Restoring Pavement** will be measured by the square yard, of the depths specified.
- 5.9 **Air Release and Vacuum Relief Valves** will be measured by each valve assembly installed of the various sizes and types specified.

6. PAYMENT

The work performed and materials furnished in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under "Measurement" will be paid for at the unit prices bid for the items described below. These prices are full compensation for furnishing materials and their preparation; for excavation and backfill; for preparation, shaping, and fine grading the bottom of the trench; for cutting and restoring existing pavement; for hauling, placing, and joining of pipes, valves, and fittings; for constructing bollards, vent piping, stacks, and manholes; and for necessary appurtenances and other items of materials, labor, equipment, tools, and incidentals.

- 6.1 **Sanitary Sewers.** Payment for sanitary sewers will be made at the unit price bid for "Sanitary Sewers" of the various sizes, types, and wall thickness (if applicable) specified, complete in place. Plastic liner is required for concrete pipe interior surfaces and is subsidiary to this bid Item. An internal liner resin is required for centrifugally cast fiberglass pipe and is subsidiary to this bid Item.

Unless otherwise specified on the plans or this specification, excavation, disposing of unsuitable excavated material, backfilling, and the material used for backfill for the complete installation of the sanitary sewer system are subsidiary to and included in the unit price bid for the pipe and any structure for which payment is required.

Fittings, including necessary concrete blocking, pipe clamps, nipples, pipe coatings, lubricants, etc., are subsidiary to the sanitary sewer mains in which they are installed. If additional fittings are required due to plan changes or alterations in line or grade, they will be subsidiary to the sanitary sewer lines in which they are installed.

- 6.2 **Steel Casing.** Payment for steel casing will be made at the unit price bid for "Casing (Steel)(Sanitary Sewer)" of the various sizes specified, installed by the open cut method, complete in place.
- 6.3 **Manholes.** Payment for manholes will be made at the unit price bid for "Manholes (Sanitary Sewer)" of the various types specified, complete in place. Rings, covers, and steps are subsidiary to this bid Item.
- 6.4 **Adjusting Manholes.** Payment for each manhole adjusted will be made at the unit price bid for "Adjusting Manholes (Sanitary Sewer)." The excavation and backfill required are subsidiary to this bid Item.

- 6.5 **Jacking, Boring, or Tunneling.** Payment for jacking, boring, or tunneling of sanitary sewer will be made at the unit price bid for “Jacking, Boring, or Tunneling (Sanitary Sewer)” of the various sizes, types, and wall thicknesses (if applicable) specified. This price includes furnishing the pipe.

Payment for jacking, boring, or tunneling steel casing will be made at the unit price bid for “Jacking, Boring, or Tunneling Casing (Steel) (Sanitary Sewer)” of the various sizes and wall thickness specified (applicable only if exceeding minimum thickness shown in Section 2.8., “Steel Casing Pipe,” of this specification). This price includes the steel casing.

Sanitary sewer placed in casing will be paid for at the unit price bid for “Sanitary Sewers” as described above.

Excavating, backfilling, backfill material, and disposing of the unsuitable excavated material caused by jacking, boring, or tunneling pipe or casing, are subsidiary to and included in the unit price bid for the pipe or casing jacked, bored, or tunneled.

- 6.6 **Service Connections.** Payment for service connections will be made at the unit price bid for “Service Connections (Sanitary Sewer).” This payment includes any sewer stacks required. Excavation and backfill associated with disconnection or reconnection are subsidiary to this bid item.

No separate payment will be made for an abandoned service connection if the service to be abandoned is within 4 ft. of an active connection. Payment for only one abandoned service connection will be allowed when a second abandoned connection is within 4 ft. of the first.

- 6.7 **Abandoning Sanitary Sewers.** Payment for abandoning sanitary sewer will be made at the unit price bid for “Abandoning Sanitary Sewer” of the sizes specified. Excavation and backfill required to abandon the sanitary sewer are subsidiary to this bid item. Where grout is required, as shown on the plans, it is subsidiary to this bid item.

- 6.8 **Cutting and Restoring Pavement.** Payment for cutting and restoring pavement will be made at the unit price bid for “Cutting and Restoring Pavement” of the depths specified. Excavation below the pavement and base is subsidiary to this bid item.

- 6.9 **Air Release and Vacuum Relief Valves.** Payment for Air Release and Vacuum Relief Valves will be made at the unit price bid for “Air Release Valve,” “Air Release and Vacuum Relief Valve,” or “Vacuum Relief Valve” of the various sizes specified. This price is full compensation for valves, fittings, vent piping, bollards, necessary appurtenances, and incidentals.

Trench excavation protection or temporary special shoring required for trenches which are greater than 5 ft. in depth, and sloping the sides of those trenches to preclude collapse, will be measured and paid for as required by Item 402, “Trench Excavation Protection” or Item 403, “Temporary Special Shoring.”

Furnishing and placing bedding material is subsidiary to the pertinent bid items.

Furnishing and installing a complete, operational nonmetallic pipe detection system, and the materials necessary for this system are subsidiary to the pertinent bid items.

Unless otherwise specified on the plans, repair curbs, pavement, base material, concrete riprap, and sidewalks damaged by construction operations at no expense to the Department, if such damaged items are not part of the Contract.

Testing sanitary sewers for leakage, including labor, materials, and equipment necessary to perform the tests, is subsidiary to the pertinent bid items.

Special Specification 7049

Water Mains



1. DESCRIPTION

Furnish labor, materials, and equipment necessary to provide a complete water main system in conformance with the plans and specifications, and in compliance with the Department's Utility Accommodations Policy (Title 43, T.A.C., Sections 21.31-21.55). Construct water mains of the sizes, materials, and dimensions shown on the plans including pipe, joints, and connections to new and existing pipes, casing, valves, fittings, fire hydrants, meters, blocking, etc., as many as may be required to complete the work.

Furnish material and equipment for encasing existing water lines with split steel encasement pipes using the open cut method in accordance with this specification.

The abbreviations AWWA, ASA, ASTM, ANSI, AASHTO, NACE, NSF, SSPC, and TCEQ used in this specification refer to the following organizations or technical societies:

- AWWA American Water Works Association
- ASA American Standards Association
- ASTM American Society for Testing and Materials
- ANSI American National Standards Institute
- AASHTO American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials
- NACE National Association of Corrosion Engineers
- NSF National Sanitation Foundations
- SSPC Steel Structural Painting Council
- TCEQ Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

References to specifications of the above organizations mean the latest standard or tentative standard in effect on the date of the proposal.

2. MATERIALS

All materials must conform to the requirements of this Item, the plans and the following Items:

- Item 421, "Hydraulic Cement Concrete"
- Item 440, "Reinforcement for Concrete"
- Item 441, "Steel Structures"
- Item 465, "Junction Boxes, Manholes, and Inlets"
- Item 471, "Frames, Grates, Rings, and Covers"

2.1. **General.** Provide new and unused materials for this project unless otherwise stated in the plans or proposal.

Pipe 6 in. or larger is acceptable to the Texas Fire Insurance Commission without penalty for use in water works distribution systems.

For water mains less than 24 in. in diameter, use casing insulators between the water main and casing unless otherwise shown on the plans. For water mains 4 in. through 14 in., use 8 in. wide casing insulators.

For water mains 16 in. through 20 in., use 12 in. wide insulators. For pipe materials up to 12 in., use Pipeline Seal and Insulator Model C8G-2 or approved equal. For water mains larger than 12 in. use Pipeline Seal and

Insulator Model C12G-2 or approved equal. Casing end seals: Pipeline Seal and Insulator Model C or approved equal.

2.2. **Steel Pipe and Fittings.**

2.2.1. **Steel Carrier Pipe.** Provide steel pipe for use as carrier pipe in the distribution system, conforming to the requirements of AWWA Standard C200. Install steel pipe 20 in. and smaller as aerial crossings, above-ground piping, and for encasement sleeves only. Do not bury steel pipe that is 20 in. and smaller directly or within a casing.

For pipe 24 in. and greater, conform to the requirements of AWWA C200, C207, C208 and AWWA M11 except as modified in this specification. Furnish pipe and fittings that have manufacturer's certifications ensuring that they have been hydrostatically tested at the factory in accordance with AWWA C200, Section 3.4. Ensure pipe steel meets the requirements of ASTM A36, ASTM A570 Grade 36, ASTM A53 Grade B, ASTM A135 Grade B, or ASTM A139 Grade B as a minimum. Pipe is also subject to the requirements of Underwriters Laboratories, Inc. Specification for "Steel Pipelines for Underground Water Service."

Provide pipe and fittings to withstand the most critical simultaneous application of external loads and internal pressures based on the minimum of AASHTO HS-20 loading, AREMA E-80 loads, depths of bury as indicated on the plans, and the most critical groundwater level condition. The pipe design conditions follow:

- Working pressure = 100 psi.
- Hydrostatic field test pressure = 150 psi.

For pipe design (24 in. and larger) conform to AWWA M11 with the following conditions:

- Design stress due to working pressure: The maximum is 50% of the minimum yield strength or 16,500 psi maximum stress for mortar-coated pipe.
- Design stress due to hydraulic test pressure: The maximum is 75% of the minimum yield strength or 24,750 psi maximum stress for mortar-coated pipe.
- Modulus of soil reaction (E'), <1,500 psi.
- Unit weight of fill (w) > 120 pcf.
- Deflection lag factor ($D1$) = 1.2.
- Bedding constant (K) = 0.1.
- Fully saturated soil conditions: $hw = h =$ depth of cover above top of pipe.
- Maximum deflection from specified diameter = 3% for flexible coatings.

Provide pipe and fittings that have been designed by a licensed Engineer. Before manufacturing, submit these signed, sealed, and dated calculations for approval.

Supply pipe in double random lengths unless otherwise shown on the plans. Bevel the ends of the pipe for field butt welding as shown on the plans.

Provide a minimum of 3/8 in. inside joint recess between ends of pipe in straight pipe sections.

Provide a minimum allowable steel wall thickness in accordance with Tables 1 and 2 for HS-20 live loads and depths of bury up to 16 ft.

Table 1
Carrier Pipe (20 in. and Smaller)

Nominal Pipe Size (in.)	Outside Diameter (in.)	Min Wall Thickness (in.)	Approximate Weight Per Lineal Ft., Uncoated (lb.)
4	4.500	0.250	11.35
6	6.625	0.280	18.97
8	8.625	0.322	28.55
10	10.750	0.365	40.48
12	12.750	0.375	49.56
16	16.000	0.375	62.58
20	20.000	0.375	78.60

Table 2
Carrier Pipe (24 in. and Larger)

Net Inside Diameter (in.)	Min Wall Thickness (in.)	
	Flexible Coating	Mortar Coating
24	0.149	0.136
30	0.149	0.136
36	0.178	0.163

Note: Refer to the plans for carrier pipe thickness. However, never use a pipe wall thickness less than that defined in the above tables.

2.2.2.

Steel Casing Pipe. Ensure pipe intended for use as casing pipe is manufactured in accordance with Section 2.2.1, "Steel Carrier Pipe," except to ensure that the minimum allowable steel wall thickness conforms to those shown in Table 3 for HS-20 live loads and depth of bury of up to 16 ft.

Table 3
Casing Pipe (Encasement Sleeves)

30 in. and Smaller			
Casing Pipe Size (in.)	Outside Diameter (in.)	Min Wall Thickness (in.)	Approximate Weight Per Lineal Ft., Uncoated (lb.)
8	8.625	0.219	19.64
10	10.750	0.219	24.60
12	12.750	0.219	29.28
16	16.000	0.219	36.86
18	18.000	0.250	47.39
20	20.000	0.250	52.73
24	24.000	0.250	63.41
30	30.000	0.250	79.43

Note: Refer to the plans for casing thickness. However, never use a pipe wall thickness less than that defined in the above table.

Provide steel casing sections for split casing in lengths a maximum of 20 ft. Ensure each section is split in half-sections. Bevel the ends and split sections for field butt-welding.

Steel casing pipe is not required to carry the label of the Underwriters Laboratories, Inc.

2.2.3.

Steel Pipe Fittings. Provide factory forged steel pipe fittings unless otherwise shown on the plans. Ensure the wall thickness is equal to or greater than the pipe to which the fitting is to be welded. Bevel the ends of the fitting for field butt-welding.

Provide approved sleeve-type flexible and flange adaptor couplings. Ensure the thickness of the middle ring is equal to or greater than the thickness of the pipe wall.

Provide restraint joint connections for 16 in. and larger water main piping shown on the plans to have restraint lengths, unless otherwise shown on the plans. Joints are to be double-welded at butt or lap joints at aerial crossings as shown on the plans. Use flanged joint at valves.

Elbows: Provide 2-piece for 0° to 22.5°; 3-piece for 23° to 45°; 4-piece for 46° to 67.5°; and 5-piece for 68° to 90°, unless otherwise shown on plans.

Outlets: Reinforced in accordance with AWWA M11, Sections 13.3-13.7, AWWA C200, and AWWA C208. Provide interior lining and exterior coating in accordance with paragraphs on coating and lining, and matching pipe to access inlets, service outlets, test inlets, and air-vacuum valve and other outlets, including riser pipes.

Radius: The minimum radius is 2.5 times pipe diameter.

- 2.2.4. **Hydrostatic Test of Pipe.** Ensure the pipe manufacturer performs hydrostatic testing in accordance with AWWA C200, Section 3.5.3, at the point of manufacture, conducts the test for a minimum of 2 min., and thoroughly inspects the pipe. Repair or reject pipe revealing leaks or cracks. Obtain from the manufacturer and submit to the Engineer, the manufacturer's written certification that the pipe and fittings used on this project have passed the hydrostatic test.

Calibrate pressure gauges within 1 yr. before testing, as specified in AWWA C200, Section 1.04 L.

- 2.2.5. **Butt Straps for Closure Piece.** Provide a minimum 12 in. wide split butt strap; minimum plate thickness equal to the thinnest member being joined; fabricated from material equal in chemical and physical properties to the thinnest member being joined.

Provide a minimum lap of 4 in. between the member being joined and the edge of the butt strap, welded on both the inside and outside, unless otherwise approved.

Provide a minimum 6 in. welded outlet for inspecting each closure section, unless the access man way is within 40 ft. of the closure section. Provide forged steel threaded outlets of approved design, where required, for use in passing hose or lead wires into the pipe. Tap plugs with standard pipe threads and weld to the pipe in an approved manner, and use solid forged steel plugs for closure.

Provide full penetration butt or welded joints as shown on the plans. Use flanged joints at valves unless otherwise shown on the plans. Perform x-ray or ultrasonic testing of manual welds on special pipe and fittings.

Dished Head Plugs: Provide dished head plugs (test plugs) to withstand field hydrostatic test pressure from either side of the plug. Ensure the design stress due to hydrostatic pressure is at most 50% of minimum yield. Pipe on the opposite side of the hydrostatic test may or may not contain water. Ensure the manufacturer of the steel pipe hydrostatically tests the plugs at the factory.

Make curves and bends by deflecting joints, by using beveled joints, or by combining these methods, unless otherwise shown on the plans. Do not exceed the joint deflection angle recommended by the pipe manufacturer.

Make penetration of spigot into bell at all points of circumference at least equal to minimum required penetration shown on the plans. Provide beveled pipe sections used in curved alignment of standard length except when shorter sections are required to limit the radius of curvature. In this case, provide equal length sections throughout the curve. Do not allow the bevel to exceed 5°.

- 2.2.6. **Steel Pipe Flanges.** Ensure steel pipe flanges shown on the plans conform to AWWA Standard C207 for Class D Flanges (same diameter and drilling as Class 125 cast-iron flanges ASA B16.1).

Make cast-iron to steel pipe connections with 1 cast-iron bell flange and 1 steel slip-on flange, and ensure they are electrically isolated.

The use of insulating gaskets, plastic bolt sleeves, and washers of insulating gasket material backed with zinc plated or hot-dip galvanized washers, or epoxy coated bolts, nuts, and washers used with an insulating gasket, are approved for this purpose.

For inline flange joints 12 in. in diameter and greater and for butterfly valve flanges, use Pyrex LineBacker Type E phenolic gaskets manufactured by Pipeline Seal and Insulator Inc., or approved equal.

Use full-face gaskets for other flanged joints not listed above. Provide cloth-inserted rubber gasket material, 1/8 in. thick in accordance with AWWA C207. Ensure gaskets are factory-cut to proper dimensions.

Maintain electrically isolated flanged joints between steel and cast-iron by using epoxy coated bolts, nuts, washers, and insulating type gaskets unless, otherwise approved.

Fabricate flanges with oversize bolt holes, with flanges drilled in pairs, to accommodate insulating sleeves.

2.2.7. **Steel Pipe Protective Coatings.**

2.2.7.1. **General.** Use shop-applied protective coatings except for field repairs and coatings of field welded joints. The Engineer may provide for witness of inspection and testing of shop-applied coatings, however, such witness does not relieve the Contractor of the responsibility to furnish material, perform work, and provide quality control in conformance with the applicable AWWA Standard and the requirements of these specifications.

The substrate surface profile and minimum and maximum individual and total dry film thickness (DFT) indicated in this specification apply. No requirement of this specification cancels or supersedes the specific written directions and recommendations of the specific coating manufacturer so as to jeopardize the integrity of the applied system. Measure the dry film thickness in accordance with SSPC PA2.

Field test shop coating and field repairs for holidays, pinholes, or discontinuities, at voltage levels required by the applicable AWWA Standard and in accordance with the applicable NACE procedure, i.e., PRO 188, RPO 274, TMD 384, etc. Submit the test procedure, including voltage levels to be used, before testing. Repair holidays in conformance with the applicable AWWA Standard.

Provide documentation by a NACE-certified inspector of compliance with the required tests.

Handle, store, and use field procedures for shop-coated pipe in conformance with the applicable AWWA Standards. Adequately seal and protect pipe ends from damage during handling and storage. Do not remove such protection until immediately before installing. Do not lift pipe using caliper clamps or hooks at ends of the pipe.

Repair damage to the pipe or the protective coating caused while installing the pipe and before final acceptance by the owner, as directed and in conformance with the applicable standards.

Keep the interior of the pipe and fittings clean of foreign matter before installing and until the work is accepted. Keep joint contact surfaces clean until jointing is complete.

Furnish an affidavit of compliance that all materials and work furnished comply with the requirements of the applicable AWWA Standard and these specifications.

2.2.7.2. **Internal Lining for Steel.** Ensure the material used for the internal coating of the steel carrier pipe is NSF61-listed as suitable for contact with potable water as required by Chapter 290, Rules & Regulations for Public Systems, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ).

Supply steel pipe with epoxy lining, capable of conveying water at temperatures not greater than 140°F. Provide linings conforming to American National Standards Institute/National Sanitation Foundation (ANSI/NFS) Standard 61, and certification from an organization accredited by ANSI. Unless otherwise noted,

coat exposed (wetted) steel parts of flanges, blind flanges, bolts, and access manhole covers, with epoxy lining as specified.

2.2.7.2.1.

Epoxy Lining. Use Liquid Epoxy meeting the requirements of AWWA C-210, "Liquid Epoxy Coating System for the Interior and Exterior of Steel Water Pipelines," except as modified in this specification. Provide a Liquid Epoxy system consisting of three coats of polyamide epoxy (no coal tar material) as follows:

- Prime Coat: 2-part, chemically cured, NSF certified epoxy, 4-6 mils dry film thickness (DFT).
- Intermediate Coat: 2-part NSF certified epoxy, 4-6 mils (DFT).
- Finish Coat: 2-part NSF certified epoxy, 4-6 mils (DFT).

Ensure the total system has a minimum DFT of 12 mils and a maximum DFT of 18 mils. Apply each coat in contrasting colors, using a buff prime and intermediate coat and a white finish coat. Use the same manufacturer to supply all material. Coal-tar epoxy material is not permitted. For surfaces to be coated, abrasive blast clean them to a near-white finish in accordance with SSPC-5(64) to establish an average anchor profile of 2.0 to 3.0 mils, with no individual reading greater than 4.0 mils or less than 1.5 mils. Before applying, inspect the prepared and cleaned surface for evidence of non-visible contaminants such as soluble salts or chlorides in accordance with NACE Technical Committee Report "Surface Preparation of Contaminated Steel Surfaces," NACE Publication 6G 186.

Re-clean the surface as necessary, until it is free of such contaminants.

Perform an interior adhesion test on pipe 30 in. in diameter and larger in accordance with ASTM D 4541.

Minimum field adhesion: 700 psi. Perform this test on pipe for project at a frequency of one for every 1000 sq. ft. of epoxy lining. Perform a cure test in accordance with ASTM D 4752 (solvent rub test) and ASTM D 3363 (pencil hardness) for each section of pipe. Repair tested areas with approved procedures.

Provide Fusion Bonded Epoxy in accordance with AWWA C-213, "Fusion-Bonded Epoxy Coating for the Interior and Exterior of Steel Water Pipelines."

2.2.7.3.

External Coating.

2.2.7.3.1.

Above Ground. Externally coat above ground steel piping and fittings with a 3-coat epoxy/epoxy/polyurethane system in accordance with AWWA C-218, "Coating the Exterior of Aboveground Steel Water Pipelines and Fittings," Section 2.5, Coating System No. 4-91, except as modified in this specification.

- Prime Coat: 2-component, inhibitive epoxy primer; DFT of 4-6 mils.
- Intermediate Coat: 2-component, chemical resistant epoxy; DFT of 4-6 mils.
- Finish Coat: 2-component aliphatic polyurethane; DFT 1.5-2.5 mils.

Ensure the total system has a minimum DFT of 9.5 mils and a maximum DFT of 14.5 mils. Apply each coat in contrasting colors, using a buff prime coat and a blue finish coat, or as directed. Use the same manufacturer to supply all material. For surfaces to be coated, abrasive blast clean them to a near-white finish in accordance with SSPC-SP10 (NACE 2) to establish an average anchor profile of 2.0 to 3.0 mils, with no individual reading greater than 4.0 mils or less than 1.5 mils. Before coating, inspect the prepared and cleaned surface for evidence of non-visible contaminants such as soluble salts or chlorides in accordance with NACE Technical committee Report "Surface Preparation of Contaminated Steel Surfaces," NACE Publication 6G 186. Re-clean the surface as necessary, until it is free of such contaminants.

Perform an interior adhesion test on pipe 30 in. in diameter and larger in accordance with ASTM D 4541. Minimum field adhesion: 700 psi. Perform this test on pipe for the project at a frequency of one for every 1000 sq. ft. of epoxy lining. Perform a cure test in accordance with ASTM D 4752 (solvent rub test) and ASTM D 3363 (pencil hardness) for each section of pipe. Repair tested areas with approved procedures.

Provide Fusion Bonded Epoxy in accordance with AWWA C-213, "Fusion-Bonded Epoxy Coating for the Interior and Exterior of Steel Water Pipelines."

- 2.2.7.3.2. **Buried Steel Pipe, 24 Inch Diameter and Larger Only.** Coat buried steel pipe and fittings (except tunneled, cased, or augered holes) with either of the following systems:
- 2.2.7.3.2.1. **Tape Coating.** Provide an approved tape for external tape coating. Apply in accordance with AWWA C214 and the requirements of this section; 80 mil shop-applied, Polyken YG-III, Tek-Rap Yard-Rap, or approved equal. Components: Primer, one 20 mil layer of inner-layer tape for corrosion protection and two 30 mil layers of outer-layer tape for mechanical protection. Bond coupling to adjacent pipes with bonding cables as shown on the plans.
- Use approved filler putty, type Polyken 939 insulating putty, or approved equal, to fill in the gap and create a smooth sloped transition between the top of the reinforcing plate and the pipe, before applying the tape coating.
- Primer: Compatible with the tape coating, supplied by the coating-system manufacturer.
- Provide pipe with shop coatings cut back approximately 4 to 4-1/2 in. from the joint ends to facilitate joining and welding of pipe. Taper successive tape layers by 1 in. staggers to facilitate field wrapping and welding of joints. Inner and outer tape width: 12 in. or 18 in.
- Do not expose tape coating to direct sunlight for more than 60 days.
- Wrap specials and fittings that cannot be machine wrapped due to configuration, with primer layer and two layers of prefabricated tape, each 35 mils thick. Overlap machine applied tape with hand applied tape by minimum of 2 in. and bind to it.
- Apply Polyken approved 30 mil filler tape 931, or approved equal, parallel to spiral weld seams if weld height measures greater than or equal to 1/8 in.
- 2.2.7.3.2.2. **Polyurethane Coating.** Refer to Section 2.2.7.3.1., "Above Ground." Heat Shrink Joint Sleeves for Tape Coating: Aqua-shield, or approved equal. For repairs to heat shrink joint sleeves, use Aqua-shield Repair Patch Kit, or approved equal.
- 2.2.7.3.3. **Steel Pipe in Tunneled, Cased, Bored, or Augered Holes.**
- 2.2.7.3.3.1. **24 Inch and Larger:** Prime steel pipe in tunneled or cased holes with 3.0 to 4.0 mils of a 2-part chemically cured rust inhibitive polyamide epoxy. Prepare the surface the same as for above ground external coating in accordance with Section 2.2.7.3.1., "Above Ground." Fill the annular space between the tunnel or casing with the specified grout.
- 2.2.7.3.3.2. **20 Inch and Smaller:** Coat steel pipe in bored or augered holes, or holes in a tunnel or casing, with Corropipe II-TX or Corroclad 2000 as manufactured by Madison Chemical Industries, Inc., or approved equal, and apply in strict conformance with the manufacturer's recommendations.
- For external field welds and other field repairs, use Madison Chemical "GP" II or "TX" Touch Up, or approved equal, in conformance with the manufacturer's recommendations.
- 2.2.7.4. **Inspections and Testing of Coatings.** Perform electrical inspection on the inner layer of tape before applying the intermediate layer of tape. If holidays are detected, repair holidays immediately before applying the outer layer of tape. Clear the holiday area of material and re-prime if necessary. Re-coat the area with inner wrap tape. Overlap the inner wrap tape onto the surrounding inner wrap coating by at least 2 in. Perform an electrical re-test at the repaired area after repairing the holiday, and before continuing the outer wrap.

Shrink Wrap: Perform an electrical inspection on the shrink wrap to check for holidays. Perform peel tests over the heat affected zone. Minimum acceptable result: 15 lbs. ft. per inch.

2.3. **Ductile-Iron Pipe and Fittings.**

2.3.1. **Ductile-Iron Pipe.** Provide ductile-iron pipe conforming to the requirements of AWWA Standard C151. Provide minimum lengths of 18 ft. and minimum thickness of Class 51 for water lines. Provide minimum thickness Class 53 for flanged pipe and minimum thickness Class 52 for areas with pipe offset sections. Use joints of the push-on type or flanged type unless otherwise shown on the plans. Use push-on joints conforming to the requirements of ASA Specification A21.11 (AWWA C111). Use flanged joints conforming to the requirements of AWWA C115 including a cloth inserted rubber gasket material 1/8 in. thick for flanged joints. Do not use threaded or grooved type joints which reduce the pipe wall thickness below the minimum required.

Provide polyethylene encasement material and install in accordance with AWWA C105, and backfill as specified. Apply a minimum of two complete wraps of 8 mil thick polyethylene. Use polyethylene encasement for open cut installations only. For augered sections or sections installed inside a tunnel or casing, provide polyurethane coating.

Ensure the pipe manufacturer performs hydrostatic testing in accordance with AWWA C 151, Section 5.2.1, at the point of manufacture, conducts the test for a minimum of 2 min. and thoroughly inspects the pipe. Repair or reject pipe revealing leaks or cracks. Obtain from the manufacturer and submit to the Engineer, the manufacturer's written certification that the pipe and fittings used on this project have passed the hydrostatic test.

Prevent any lateral movement of thrust restraints throughout the pressure testing and operation. Passive resistance of soil will not be permitted in the calculation of thrust restraint.

Clearly mark the pipe section to show the location and thickness or pressure class color code.

Provide an exterior coating, in open cut excavations, consisting of a prime coat and an outside asphaltic coating conforming to AWWA C110, C115, or C151 for pipe and fittings. Encase the water line in a double wrap of polyethylene. Use polyethylene wrap conforming to the requirements of Section 2.13., "Polyethylene Film Wrap," and Section 3.16., "Polyethylene Film Wrap." Install bond wire as specified.

Coat Ductile-Iron pipe in augered holes with a polyurethane coating. Use a polyurethane coating conforming to the same requirements as those in Section 2.2.7.3.3., "Steel Pipe in Tunneled, Cased, Bored, or Augered Holes."

2.3.2. **Fittings for Ductile-Iron Pipe.** Ensure fittings for use with ductile-iron pipe of nominal sizes 4 in. through 48 in. conform to AWWA Standard C110 or C153.

Use joints of the push-on type or flanged type unless otherwise shown on the plans. Use push-on joints conforming to the requirements of ANSI Specification A21.11 (AWWA C111), rated for a 250 psig working pressure or A21.53 (AWWA C153). Use flanged fittings conforming to AWWA C110, of cast or ductile iron and conforming to ANSI B16.1, class 125 rated at 250 psig working pressure. Screw flanged fittings on threaded pipe ends done in the shop in accordance AWWA C115 for attaching, aligning, and facing.

Coat the inside and outside surfaces of the fittings as specified for the regular lengths of ductile-iron pipe.

Regardless of the coating system, for flanged joints in buried service, provide a petrolatum wrapping system, Denso, or approved equal, for the complete joint and alloy steel fasteners. Alternatively, provide bolts made of Type 304 stainless steel.

Bond joints in accordance with Section 2.6., "Joint Bonding and Electrical Insulation."

2.3.3. **Restrained Joints.** For buried services, restrain ductile iron pipe 16 in. diameter and larger from movement, using special joints. Provide the following or approved equal:

- Super-Lock Joint by Clow Corporation.
- Flex-Ring or Lok-Ring by American Cast Iron Pipe Company.
- TR-Flex or Field-Lok Joint by U.S. Pipe and Foundry Company.

Provide restrained joints with enough distance from each side of the bend, tee, plug, or other fitting to resist thrust developed at the design pressure for the pipe.

Use water main interior coatings conforming to AWWA C104 or ANSI A21.4, cement-lined with seal coat or ANSI A 21.16 fusion-bonded epoxy coating.

Ensure the material used for internal coating is NSF 61 and listed as suitable for contact with potable water as required by Chapter 290, Rules and Regulation for Public Water Systems, Texas Natural Resources Conservation Commission (TNRCC).

2.4. **Polyvinyl Chloride Pipe (PVC) Pipe and Fittings.**

2.4.1. **Polyvinyl Chloride Pipe, 2 Inch through 20 Inch.** Provide PVC pipe 4 in. and larger with integral bell type gasketed push-on joints or plain end pipe with twin-gasketed couplings conforming to the requirements of ASTM Designation D3139 for push-on-type joints. Use rubber gaskets conforming to the requirements of ASTM Designation D1869. Lubricate gaskets with a nontoxic water-soluble lubricant before joining pipe units. Fit pipe units together in such a manner to avoid twisting or damaging the rubber gasket.

Mark furnished PVC pipe on the spigot end for proper depth of makeup to the bell end of a joining length of pipe or fitting.

Provide valves for use with PVC pipe conforming to the requirements of Section 2.9., "Gate Valves, Tapping Valves, and Tapping Sleeves," except provide valve ends of the push-on-joint type for use with PVC pipe. Provide self-extinguishing PVC pipe that bears Underwriters' Laboratories mark of approval and is acceptable without penalty to Texas State Fire Insurance Committee for use in fire protection lines. Ensure PVC pipe bears the National Sanitation Foundation Seal of Approval (NSF-PW).

Provide PVC meeting the following thickness when using restrained joints:

- DR 18: For restrained joints where shown in the plans.
- DR 14: For alternate to offset pipe sections shown on the plans. Do not use PVC pipe for offset sections with depth cover greater than 20 ft. or less than 4 ft. Do not use PVC pipe in potentially petroleum-contaminated areas.

Make curves and bends by deflecting joints. Do not exceed the maximum deflection recommended by the pipe manufacturer. Submit details of other methods of providing curves and bends for review by the Engineer.

Gaskets: Use gaskets meeting the requirements of ASTM F 477. Use elastomeric factory-installed gaskets to make joints flexible and watertight. Flat Face Mating Flange: Full faces 1/8 in. thick ethylene propylene rubber (EPR). Raised Face Mating Flange: Flat ring 1/8 in. EPR, with filler gasket between the outside diameter (OD) of the raised face and the flange OD to protect the flange from the bolting moment. Lubricant for rubber-gasketed joints: Water-soluble, non-toxic, non-objectionable in taste and odor imparted to fluid, non-supporting of bacteria growth, and causing no deteriorating effect on PVC or rubber gaskets. Use one manufacturer to furnish PVC pipe. When an approved PVC system is used as alternate to offset pipe section, a second manufacturer may be used. Do not use PVC pipe in potentially or known contaminated areas. Do not use PVC pipe in areas exposed to direct sunlight.

Ensure the pipe manufacturer performs hydrostatic testing accordance with AWWA C 900, AWWA C 905, AWWA C 909, and ANSI A 21.10 (AWWA C 110) at the point of manufacture. Obtain from the manufacturer

and submit to the Engineer, the manufacturer's written certification that the pipe and fittings used on this project have passed the hydrostatic test.

- 2.4.2. **Fittings for Polyvinyl Chloride Pipe, 2 Inch.** Provide PVC pipe manufactured in accordance with the requirements of ASTM Designation D1784 for PVC 12454B (Type I, Grade 1) or PVC 12454C (Type I, Grade 1) and with a standard thermoplastic pipe dimension ratio (SDR) equal to 21.

Use fittings for 2 in. PVC pipe with a minimum pressure rating of 200 psi. Use fittings of the solvent-weld, socket type conforming to the requirements of ASTM D2466, or the gasketed push-on type conforming to the requirements of ASTM D2241. Use PVC solvent cements manufactured in accordance with ASTM D2564.

- 2.4.3. **Polyvinyl Chloride Pipe, 4 Inch Through 20 Inch.** PVC pipe 4 in. through 12 in.: AWWA C 900, AWWA C 909, Class 150, DR 18; AWWA C 900, Class 200, DR 14 as alternate to offset pipe sections; nominal 20 ft. lengths; cast-iron equivalent outside diameters. Pipe 14 in. through 20 in.: AWWA C 905; Class 235; DR 18; nominal 20 ft. lengths; cast-iron equivalent outside diameter.

Use joints conforming to the same requirements as those specified for 2 in. PVC pipe.

- 2.4.4. **Bends and Fittings for PVC Pipe, 4 Inch through 20 Inch.** Provide fittings conforming to the requirements of Section 2.3.2., "Fittings for Ductile-Iron Pipe." Use polyethylene wrapped fittings as required by Section 2.13., "Polyethylene Film Wrap," and Section 3.16., "Polyethylene Film Wrap."

Provide restrained joints with enough distance from each side of the bend, tee, plug, or other fitting to resist thrust developed at the design pressure for the pipe.

Approved Certa-Lok PVC restrained joints, 200-250 psi, may be provided for up to 12 in. in diameter. Where preventing movements of 12 in. diameter or greater pipe due to thrusts is necessary, provide the following restrained joints, or approved equal:

- 2.4.4.1. **Fittings.** JCM 610 Sur-Grip Fitting Restrainer by JCM Industries, Inc. or Series 500 Fitting Restrainer by Ebba Iron, Inc., One Bolt by One Bolt, Inc., or approved equal.

- 2.4.4.2. **Bell and Spigot.** JCM 620 or 621 Sur-Grip Bell Joint Restrainer by JCM Industries, Inc. or Series 1500 or Series 1100HV Joint Restrainer by Ebba Iron, Inc., One Bolt by One Bolt, Inc., or approved equal.

- 2.4.5. **Nonmetallic Pipe Detection.** Where nonmetallic pipe is installed longitudinally underground, provide for a method of detecting the location of the nonmetallic pipe. The specific method is shown on the plans or will be approved. This system may involve some components to be installed in the trench around the pipe to be detected using a metal detector. Or the system may consist of locating equipment capable of creating a non-destructive pressure wave which can be detected above ground using a portable detection device with both audible and visual indicators. Ensure either system of detection is capable of accurately locating the pipe to a maximum depth of 3 ft. over the areas shown on the plans.

Either system must be capable of locating lines under earth, concrete, or asphaltic surfaces. Use equipment, materials, and installation as specified by the manufacturer.

- 2.5. **Fiberglass Reinforced Plastic (FRP) Pipe for Casing.**

- 2.5.1. **FRP Casing Pipe.** Ensure pipe used for casing is centrifugally cast fiberglass pipe conforming to the requirements of AWWA Standard C 950 and the requirements of this section.

Design fiberglass casing pipe wall thickness to withstand the most critical simultaneous application of external loads, including construction loads and internal pressures. Base the design on the minimum of AASHTO HS-20 loading, AREMA E-80 loads, and depths of bury as indicated on the plans. Design for the most critical groundwater level condition. The pipe design conditions follow:

- Working Pressure = 100 psi

- Hydrostatic Field Test Pressure = 150 psi

Provide the pipe with pressure rated fiberglass sleeve couplings or O-ring bell-and-spigot joints that use elastomeric sealing gaskets to maintain joint water-tightness conforming to the requirements of ASTM D 4161. Provide the casing end treatments with rubber boot type seals capable of maintaining casing water-tightness. Provide casing pipe, gasketing and end treatments that have a very-low to zero corrosive reaction to the chemicals listed on the pipeline product lines shown in the plans. The pipeline products encountered at proposed water line crossings include, but are not limited to:

- MTBE (Methyl Tertiary Butyl Ether)
- TBA (tertiary butyl arsine)
- Nitrogen
- Benzene
- Petroleum
- Natural Gas
- Ethane

Provide pipe manufactured with an epoxy vinyl ester resin with the physical and chemical properties of HETRON 970-35 by Ashland, or approved equal.

Provide fiberglass casing sections in nominal lengths of 20 ft. Provide a stiffness class of fiberglass pipe that satisfies design requirements, but not less than 46 psi, when used in direct bury operation. For tunneled and augered sections, use pipe and pipe joints designed to carry loads including but not limited to: Overburden and lateral earth pressures, subsurface soil, grouting, other conditions of service, thrust of jacks, and stress anticipated during handling and installation. Do not create grout holes with pipe.

Submit shop drawings signed and sealed by a Professional Engineer licensed in State of Texas showing following:

- Manufacturer's pipe design calculations including thrust restraint design.
- Details of pictorial nature of critical features and specials indicating alignment and grade, laying dimensions, fabrication, fitting, flange, and fully dimensioned details, with plan view detailing pipe invert elevations, bends, and other critical features. Indicate station numbers for fittings corresponding to the e plans. Do not start production of pipe and fittings before review and approval by Engineer. Provide final approved lay schedule on CD-ROM in Adobe Portable Document Format (*.PDF).
- Certification from manufacturer that design was performed for the project in accordance with the requirements of this section. This Certification is to be signed and sealed by Professional Engineer licensed in the State of Texas.
- Gasket and resin selection for approval.

- 2.6. **Joint Bonding and Electrical Insulation.** For electrical bond wires, use a minimum No. 2 AWG, 7 strand, and copper cable, furnished with high molecular weight polyethylene insulation (HMWPE). Remove 1 in. of HMWPE insulation from each end of the bond wire. Provide 2 bond wires as shown on the plans.

Provide a flange adaptor with an insulating kit, as required, when connecting new piping to existing piping and piping of different materials. Provide electrical flange insulation through the installation of the following materials:

- 2.6.1. **Insulating Gasket.**

- 2.6.1.1. **Piping Sized 30 Inches in Diameter and Greater.** Provide Pyrox G-10 with nitrile seal, Type E LineBacker gasket as manufactured by Pipeline Seal and Insulator, Inc. or approved equal.

- 2.6.1.2. **Piping Sized Between 12 Inches and 24 Inches in Diameter.** Provide Phenolic PSI with nitrile seal, Type E LineBacker gasket as manufactured by Pipeline Seal and Insulator, Inc., or approved equal.

Use one of the following types of valve body: Tapered plug type; O-ring seat ball type; or the rubber seat ball type.

Provide outlet ends with a flared-copper connection for use with Type-K soft copper or compression type fitting.

For PVC pipe, provide all brass corporation stops specifically designed for use with PVC pipe.

2.8.3. **Curb Stops.** Provide inlet ends with flared copper connections or compression type fittings.

Use a valve body with a straight through or angled meter stop design equipped with padlock wings and of the O-ring seal straight plug type or the rubber seat ball type.

Provide the outlet with female iron pipe threads or swivel nut meter spud threads, 3/4 in. and 1 in. stops, and with 2-hole flanges for 1-1/2 in. and 2 in. sizes.

2.8.4. **Service Saddles.** Provide service saddle with dual straps and one of the following types: Brass body and straps; ductile-iron body and straps, vinyl coated; ductile-iron body, vinyl coated with stainless steel straps.

Taps for PVC Water Mains: Use dual strap or single, wide band strap saddles which provide full support around the circumference of the pipe and a bearing area with enough width along the axis of the pipe, 2 in. minimum, to ensure that the pipe will not be distorted when the saddle is tightened. Use Romac Series 101N wide band, stainless-steel tapping saddle with AWWA standard thread (Mueller thread), or approved equal.

2.8.5. **Angle Stops.** Provide angle stops in accordance with AWWA C800; ground-key stop type with bronze locking head stop cap; inlet and outlet threads conforming to the application tables of AWWA C800; and inlet side with a flared connection or Mueller 110 compression type, or an approved equal.

2.8.5.1. **Outlet for 3/4 Inch and 1 Inch Size.** Provide meter swivel nut with saddle support.

2.8.5.2. **Outlet for 1-1/2 Inch through 2 Inch Size.** Provide O-ring sealed meter flange, iron pipe threads.

2.8.6. **Fittings.** Provide fittings in accordance with AWWA C800 and as described below:

2.8.6.1. **Castings.** Smooth, free from burrs, scales, blister, sand holes, and defects which would make them unfit for their intended use.

2.8.6.2. **Nuts.** Smooth cast and with symmetrical hexagonal wrench flats.

2.8.6.3. **Flare-joint Fittings.** Smooth cast. Machine seating surfaces for metal-to-metal seal, to proper taper or curve, free from any pits or protrusions.

2.8.6.4. **Thread Fittings.** Use N.P.T. threads and protect male threaded ends in shipment by using plastic coatings or other equally satisfactory means.

2.8.6.5. **Compression Tube Fittings.** Provide with a Buna-N beveled gasket.

Brass fittings will require the following testing:

- Submerge in water for 10 sec. at 85 psi with stops in both closed and open positions.
- Reject any fittings that show air leakage. The Department may confirm tests locally. An entire lot from which samples were taken will be rejected when random sampling discloses unsatisfactory fittings.

2.9. **Gate Valves, Tapping Valves, and Tapping Sleeves.**

2.9.1. **Gate Valves.** Use gate valves conforming to AWWA Standard C500, C509, C515, and the following supplemental specifications:

Provide direct-bury valves and valves in subsurface vaults that open clockwise. Provide above-ground valves that open counter-clockwise.

If the type of valve is not indicated on the plans, use gate valves as line valves for sizes less than 20 in. If the type of valve is specified, no substitute will be allowed.

Use a valve body of straight-through or angled, meter-stop design equipped with the following:

- O-Ring Seal – straight plug type.
- Rubber Seat – ball type

Provide the outlet end with female, iron-pipe threads or swivel-nut, meter-spud threads on 3/4 in. and 1 in. stops; and with a 2-hole flange on 1-1/2 in. and 2 in. sizes.

Where installing at depths greater than 4 ft., provide gate valves with a non-rising, extension stem with a coupling able to attach securely to the operating nut of the valve. Terminate the upper end of the extension stem in a square wrench nut no deeper than 4 ft. from the finished grade. Support the extension stem with an arm attached to the wall of the manhole or structure that loosely holds the extension stem and allows rotation in the axial direction only.

Provide gate valves in factory mutual type meter installations conforming to the provisions of this specification with outside screw and yoke valves, and carrying the label of Underwriter's Laboratories, Inc.

Provide coatings in accordance with AWWA C550; Indurall 3300 or approved equal, that are non-toxic; do not impart taste to water; function as a physical, chemical, and electrical barrier between base the metal and surroundings; and are a minimum 12 mil thick fusion-bonded epoxy. Before assembling the valve, apply the protective coating to the interior and exterior surfaces of the body.

Provide flange joints when the valve is connected to steel pipe.

Mount valves horizontally if the proper ground clearance cannot be achieved by a normal vertical installation. For horizontally mounted gate valves, provide bevel operation gear that is mounted vertically, for above ground operation.

- 2.9.1.1. **Gate Valves 1-1/2 Inches in Diameter and Smaller.** Use an operating pressure of 125 psi; bronze mounting; rising-stem; single-wedge; disc type; screwed ends; Crane No. 428, or approved equal.
- 2.9.1.2. **Gate Valves 2 Inches in Diameter.** Use an iron body; double gate; non-rising stem; 150 lb. test; 2 in. square nut operating clockwise to open.
- 2.9.1.3. **Gate Valves 4 Inches to 12 Inches in Diameter.** Non-directional; standard-wall resilient-seated in accordance with AWWA C509, parallel seat double disc in accordance with AWWA C500, or reduced-wall resilient-seated gate valves AWWA C515; operating pressure of 200 psi; pressure rating bronze mounting; push-on bell ends with rubber joint rings and nut-operated unless otherwise specified; resilient-seated provided by American Darling AFC-500, US Pipe Metro Seal 200, or approved equal; Reduced-wall resilient seated valves by American Flow Control Series 2500, or approved equal; double disc provided by American Darling 52, Clow F-6102, or approved equal; and comply with following unless otherwise shown on the plans:
- 2.9.1.3.1. **Design.** Fully encapsulated rubber wedge or rubber seat ring mechanically attached with minimum 304 stainless steel fasteners or screws; threaded connection isolated from water by compressed rubber around opening.
- 2.9.1.3.2. **Body.** Cast or ductile iron; flange bonnet and stuffing box together with ASTM A307 Grade B bolts. Cast the manufacturer's initials, pressure rating, and year manufactured into the valve body.

- 2.9.1.3.3. **Bronze.** Ensure that the valve components in the waterway contain at most 15% zinc and at most 2% aluminum.
- 2.9.1.3.4. **Stems.** ASTM B763 bronze, alloy number 995 minimum yield strength of 40,000 psi; minimum elongation in 2 in. of 12%; non-rising.
- 2.9.1.3.5. **O-rings.** For AWWA C509, Sections 2.2.6 and 4.8.2. For AWWA C500, Section 3.12.2. For AWWA C515, Section 4.2.2.5.
- 2.9.1.3.6. **Stem Seals.** Consist of 3 O-rings, 2 above and 1 below the thrust collar, with an anti-friction washer located above the thrust collar.
- 2.9.1.3.7. **Stem Nut.** Independent or integrally cast of ASTM B62 bronze.
- 2.9.1.3.8. **Resilient Wedge.** Molded; synthetic rubber; vulcanized and bonded to cast-iron or ductile-iron wedge tested to meet or exceed ASTM D429 Method B; or attached with 304 stainless steel screws; seat against epoxy-coated surface in the valve body.
- 2.9.1.3.9. **Bolts.** Furnish in accordance with AWWA C509 Section 2.2.5, AWWA C500 Section 3.4, or AWWA C515 Section 4.4.4 stainless steel; cadmium-plated, or zinc-coated.
- 2.9.1.4. **Gate Valves 14 Inches and Larger in Diameter.** AWWA C500; parallel seat double disc, or AWWA C515; reduced-wall, resilient-seated gate valves; flanged ends and nut-operated unless otherwise specified. Provide reduced-wall resilient-seated valves with 250 psig pressure rating and manufactured by American Flow Control Series 2500, or approved equal. Provide double disc valves with 150 psig pressure rating and manufactured by American Darling 52, Clow F-6102, or approved equal. Comply with following requirements unless otherwise shown on the plans.
- 2.9.1.4.1. **Body.** Cast iron or ductile iron; flange together bonnet and stuffing box with ASTM A 307 Grade B bolts. Cast the following into the valve body: manufacturer's initials, pressure rating, and year manufactured. When mounting horizontally, equip valves greater in diameter than 12 in. with rollers, tracks, and scrapers.
- 2.9.1.4.2. **O-rings.** For AWWA C500, Section 3.12.2. For AWWA C515, Section 4.2.2.5.
- 2.9.1.4.3. **Stems.** ASTM B 763 bronze, alloy number 995 minimum yield strength of 40,000 psi; minimum elongation in 2 in. of 12%, non-rising.
- 2.9.1.4.4. **Stem Nuts.** Machined from ASTM B 62 bronze rod with integral forged thrust collar machined to size; non-rising.
- 2.9.1.4.5. **Stem Seals.** Consist of 3 O-rings, 2 above and 1 below the thrust collar, with an anti-friction washer located above the thrust collar for operating torque.
- 2.9.1.4.6. **Bolts.** AWWA C500 Section 3.4 or AWWA C515 Section 4.4.4; stainless steel: cadmium-plated, or zinc-coated.
- 2.9.1.4.7. **Discs.** Cast iron with bronze disc rings securely pinned into machined dovetailed grooves.
- 2.9.1.4.8. **Wedging Device.** Solid bronze or cast-iron, bronze-mounted wedges. Thin plates or shapes integrally cast into cast-iron surfaces are acceptable. Provide other moving surfaces integral to wedging action that are bronze monel or nickel alloy-to-iron.
- 2.9.1.4.9. **Gear Cases.** Cast iron; furnished on 18 in. and larger valves and of extended type with steel side plates; lubricated; gear case enclosed with oil seal or O-rings at shaft openings.

- 2.9.1.4.10. **Bronze Mounting.** Built as integral unit mounted over, or supported on, cast-iron base and of sufficient dimensions to be structurally sound and adequate for imposed forces.
- 2.9.1.4.11. **Stuffing Boxes.** Located on the top of the bonnet and outside the gear case.
Provide a bypass for double-disc gate valves 24 in. and larger.
- 2.9.1.5. **Gate Valves 14 Inches to 36 Inches in Diameter.** Provide AWWA C515, reduce-wall, resilient-seated gate valves with 250 psi pressure rating. Furnish with spur or bevel gearings.
Mount valves horizontally if proper ground clearance cannot be achieved by normal vertical installation. For horizontally mounted gate valves, provide bevel operation gear mounted vertically for above ground operation.
Use valve body, bonnet, wedge, and operator nut constructed of ductile-iron.
Fully encapsulate the exterior of the ductile-iron wedge with rubber. Ensure the wedge is symmetrical and seals equally well with flow in either direction.
Bolts: AWWA C515, Section 4.4.4, stainless steel; cadmium-plated or zinc-coated.
Provide high-strength bronze stem and nut.
O-rings: AWWA C515, Section 4.2.2.5, pressure O-rings as gaskets. Provide stem sealed by 3 O-rings. The top 2 O-rings are to be replaceable with the valve fully open at the full rated working pressure. Provide thrust washers for the thrust collar for easy valve operation.
- 2.9.2. **Tapping Valves.** Provide double disc or resilient wedge type tapping valves meeting the requirements of gate valves, as listed above, except for the type of joints; inlet flanges meeting AWWA C110, Class 125 or meeting AWWA C110, Class 150 or higher and with a minimum eight-hole flange. Provide outlets with standard mechanical or push-on type joints that fit any standard tapping machine.
Provide a valve seat opening such that a full-size shell cutter for the nominal size tap may pass through the valve without any contact with the valve body.
Provide valve boxes conforming to the requirements of Section 2.11., "Valve Boxes."
- 2.9.3. **Tapping Sleeves.** Provide tapping sleeve bodies in accordance with AWWA C110 ductile-iron; or AWWA C111 carbon steel; in 2 sections to be bolted together with high-strength, corrosion-resistant, low-alloy, steel bolts, and with mechanical joint ends.
Provide flanged branch outlets of tapping sleeves; machined recess in accordance AWWA C207 Class D, ANSI 150 lb. drilling. Ensure the gasket is affixed around the recess of the tap opening to preclude rolling or binding during installation.
Provide tapping sleeves with a 3/4 in. NPT test opening for testing before tapping. Provide a 3/4 in. bronze plug for the opening.
- 2.9.3.1. **Steel Sleeves.** Do not use steel sleeves for taps greater than 75% of the pipe diameter.
Use steel sleeves only on pipe diameters 6 in. and larger. No "size-on-size" sleeve will be permitted (i.e., 6 in. x 6 in., etc.). To accomplish size-on-size connections, the next smaller tap may be made and a LEB (large end bell) increaser used. Where fire service from a 6 in. main is approved, only a ductile-iron split sleeve is permitted.

Provide a body of heavy welded steel construction. Groove the top half of the body to permanently retain a neoprene O-ring seal against the outside diameter of the pipe.

Provide fusion-bonded steel sleeves, epoxy-coated to a minimum 12 mil thickness. Ensure the finished epoxy coat is free of laminations and blisters; does not peel; remains pliant and resistant to impact. Ship steel sleeves in wooden crates that protect the epoxy coating during transport and storage.

Use bolts and nuts conforming to AWWA Standard C500, Section 3.5, and coated with a 100% vinyl resin (or made of corrosion resistant material).

Steel Tapping Sleeves: Use Smith Blair No. 622, Rockwell No. 623, JCM No. 412, or approved equal.

2.9.4. **Air Release and Vacuum Relief Valves.**

2.9.4.1. **Combination Air Valves.** Provide where combination air valves are designed to fulfill the functions of air release, permitting the air accumulated in the line at the high point of elevation to escape while the line is under pressure, and vacuum relief. Valve exterior: Paint with shop-applied primer suitable for contact with potable water. Provide Apco Model 145C or 147C, Val-matic Series 200, or approved equal valves as shown on the plans.

2.9.4.2. **Air Release Valves.** Provide with flanged inlet and outlet connections as specified on the plans. For 2 in. and 3 in. single body valves, size the orifice for a 100 psi working pressure. Fabricate the air relief valve of materials as follows: body and cover, ASTM A 48, Class 30 cast-iron; float and leverage mechanism, ASTM A 240 or A 276 stainless steel; orifice and seat, stainless steel against Buna-N or Viton mechanically retained with hex head nut and bolt. Other valve internals: stainless steel or bronze.

2.9.4.3. **Air Release and Vacuum Valves.** Provide single-body standard combination or duplex-body custom combination valves as shown on the plans.

2.9.4.3.1. **2 Inch and 3 Inch Single-body Valves.** Provide inlet and outlet sizes as shown on the plans and an orifice sized for a 100 psi working pressure. Valve materials: Body, cover, and baffle, ASTM A48, Class 35, or ASTM A126, Grade B cast iron; plug or poppet, ASTM A276 stainless steel; float, ASTM A240 stainless steel; seat, Buna-N; other valve internals, stainless steel. Paint valve exterior with an epoxy shop-applied primer. Provide Apco Model 145C or 147C, Val-Matic Series 200, or approved equal.

2.9.4.3.2. **3 Inch and Larger Duplex-body Valves.** As shown on the plans, provide an Apco Series 1700 with a No. 200 air release valve, GA Industries Fig. No. AR/GH-21K/280, or approved equal.

Air and vacuum valve materials: Body and cover, ASTM A48, Class 35, cast iron; float, ASTM A240 stainless steel; seat, Type-304, stainless steel and Buna-N; other valve internals, stainless steel or bronze. Air release valve: Construct as specified in Section 2.9.4.2., "Air Release Valves."

2.9.5. **External Coating Above Ground Valves.** Coat valves with a polyurethane coating conforming to the same requirements under Section 2.2.7.3.2.2, "Polyurethane Coating."

2.10. **Butterfly Valves.** Provide butterfly valves and operators conforming to the requirements of AWWA Standard C504 Class 150B, except as modified or supplemented in this specification. Provide short-body valves with a flanged design for closing against a flow velocity of 16 ft. per sec. at a normal working pressure of 150 psi and with a downstream pressure of 0 psi (Class 150B).

Provide direct-bury valves and valves in subsurface vaults that open clockwise. Provide above-ground and plant valves that open counter-clockwise.

Body: Cast iron, ASTM 126, Class B.

Discs for Butterfly Valves: Either cast-iron or ductile-iron.

Provide valves with Buna-N or neoprene seats mounted either on the disc or in the body. Mechanically secure the seats, not relying solely on adhesive properties of epoxy or similar bonding agents to attach the seats to the body. Mechanically retain the seats on the disc by using stainless steel (18-8) retaining rings held in place by stainless steel (18-8) cap screws that pass through a rubber seat for added retention. When the seat is on the disc, retain the seat in position by using shoulders located on both the disc and the stainless-steel retaining ring. Provide mating surfaces for seats of Type 304 or Type 316 stainless steel, secured to the disc by mechanical means. Sprayed on or plated mating surfaces will not be allowed. Provide a cast-iron disc conforming to ASTM A126, Class B or ductile-iron conforming to AWWA C151. The seat must be replaceable in the field for valves greater than 30 in. in diameter. Valves with segmented retaining rings will not be accepted.

Coat interior wetted ferrous surfaces of the valve, including the disc, with epoxy suitable for potable water conditions. Furnish epoxy, perform surface preparation, and apply epoxy in accordance with AWWA C550 and the coating manufacturer's recommendations. Provide 3 coats of 2-component, high-build epoxy with a minimum dry thickness of 12 mils. Use Indurall 3300, or approved equal, epoxy coating. Holiday test and measure the coatings for thickness.

Use Type 304 or Type 316 stainless steel for the valve shaft and keys, 24 in. in diameter and greater, that require a minimum of 2 in., or taper pins used for attaching the valve shaft to the valve disc. Do not use a torque plug to attach the valve shaft to the valve disc. All portions of shaft bearings: Stainless steel, bronze, nylon, or Teflon (supported by fiberglass mat or backing material with a proven record of preventing Teflon flow under load) in accordance with AWWA C504, stainless steel bearing material. Design the valve shaft to withstand 3 times amount of torque necessary to the open the valve.

Packing: Field-adjustable, split-V type, and replaceable without removing the operator assembly.

Retaining hardware for seats: Type 304 or Type 316 stainless steel. Nuts and screws used with clamps and discs for rubber seats: Securely held with lock tight, or other approved method, from loosening by vibration or cavitation effects.

Seat the valve disc in a position 90° to the pipe axis and ensure it rotates 90° between the fully-opened and tightly-closed position. Install valves with valve shafts horizontal and the convex side of the disc facing the anticipated direction of flow, except where shown otherwise on the plans.

Use push-on or flanged (flanged valves coupled to Bell-Flange adapters may be used) joint types for installation with cast-iron or ductile-iron pipe. Use flanges conforming in dimensions and drilling to ANSI B16.1 for cast-iron body valves, Class 125. Use bolts conforming to AWWA Standard C500, Section 9, in valve installations, including bolts for operators, housing, etc. Use flanged joints for steel or concrete steel cylinder pipes.

Provide properly sized gear type actuators for valves 8 in. and larger. Provide fully enclosed and traveling-nut type, rack and pinion type, or worm-gear type gear actuators. Equip direct-bury valves with a 2 in. square nut operating clockwise to open the valve. Completely enclose the space between the actuator housing and the valve body. Ensure that no moving parts are exposed to the soil or elements. Provide oil-tight and water-tight actuators, factory packed with suitable grease. Use operators conforming to the requirements of AWWA Standard C504 and equipped with adjustable limit stop devices.

Design worm-gear and traveling-nut operators so a torque of 150 ft.-lb. or less will operate the valve at the most adverse condition for which the valve is designed. Ensure the vertical axis of the operating nut does not move as the valve is opened or closed.

If the type of valve is not indicated on the plans, use butterfly valves for line valve sizes 24 in. and larger. For valves 24 in. and larger, provide valves manufactured by Pratt, Dezurik, or approved equal. Provide valves from an approved manufacturer. Provide valves and actuators from the same valve or actuator manufacturer. Ensure the shaft connecting the actuator to the valve body is fully enclosed. Provide a fully enclosed, watertight bonnet and extension

- 2.11. **Valve Boxes.** Provide Type "A," cast-iron or ductile-iron slide-type valve boxes as manufactured by Bass and Hays Foundry, Inc. or approved equal. Ensure the chemical composition of Casting "A" conforms to the requirements of AWWA Standard C110. Fabricate the base of each valve box from 6 in. cast-iron or ductile-iron pipe, conforming to the requirements of this specification except that the lining and coating will comply with this section.

Cast a letter "W" into the lid, 1/2 in. in height and raised 3/32 in., for valves serving potable water lines.

Coat boxes, bases, and lids by dipping them in hot bituminous varnish.

- 2.12. **Fire Hydrants.**

- 2.12.1. **General.** Provide fire hydrants, including 6 in. gate valve and box, conforming to the requirements of AWWA C502, except as modified or supplemented in this specification, and that are on the Utility Owner's approved products list.

Provide fire hydrants in conformance with AWWA C 502, Standards for Dry Barrel Fire Hydrants (Latest Edition). Provide hydrants that are approved by the City of Houston. Only hydrants with a current Certification of Responsibility will be allowed. The hydrants shown in Table 4 are currently approved. Alternative hydrants will not be considered.

Table 4
Approved Hydrants

Hydrant	City of Houston Engineering Control Drawing
U.S. Pipe and Foundry Con. M-94 Metropolitan 5-1/4 in. A495	DWG 960324 Rev. dated 2/06/02
Mueller Company Super Construction 250 5-1/4 in. A423	DWG FH-70 Rev. B dated 7/02/08
American AVK Company AVK Series 2780 Nostalgic	DWG 2780-Houston-2Rev. AAD3, dated 3/24/04

Ensure they are of dry-barrel, tamper resistant, and collision-safety construction design. Provide hydrants from same manufacturer throughout the project.

Installation of used, salvaged, or reconditioned fire hydrants will not be permitted.

- 2.12.2. **Hydrant Barrel.** Fabricate the lower hydrant barrel as a ductile-iron single piece, and connect it to the upper hydrant barrel by means of a joint coupling that will provide a 360° rotation of the upper barrel. Clearly mark the finish grade on the barrel. Provide the specified bury length, equal to the distance from the bottom of the inlet to the ground line.

Provide the hydrant barrel with a non-tapped, non-corrodible drain or drip valve, completely made of bronze or bronze-lined. Ensure the drain valve operates, automatically and positively, to drain the barrel when the hydrant valve is in the fully-closed position, and to completely close the drain opening so as to prevent leaking when the hydrant valve is in the open position.

Equip each hydrant barrel with two 2-1/2 in. nominal inside diameter hose nozzles and a single 4 in. nominal inside diameter pumper nozzle conforming with National (American) Standard Fire Hose Coupling Screw Threads, bronze (minimum Grade D) (per NFPA No. 194 and ANSI B26-1925).

Security fasten field-replaceable nozzles into the upper barrel by mechanical means, install by turning counterclockwise, seal with O-rings, and mechanically lock in place with a security device. Provide nozzles with nozzle caps and neoprene gasket seals. Securely attach the caps to the hydrant barrel with chains of not less than 1/8 in. diameter. Situate the pumper nozzle to allow an unobstructed radius of 10 in. from the threaded surface of the nozzle throughout the path of travel of a wrench or other device used to fasten a hose to the nozzle.

Orient the hydrant so that the pumper nozzle faces the curb or street nearest the hydrant.

Design the barrel joint connecting the upper and lower hydrant sections so that the hydrant shut-off valve will remain closed and reasonably tight against leakage in the event of an impact accident resulting in damage to or breaking of the hydrant above or near ground level. Provide the joint with a breakable bolt flange or breakable coupling including an adequate number of bolts, above finish grade.

Fabricate the operating and hold down nuts of stainless steel, cast-iron, or ductile-iron with bronze inserts. Provide a security device with each hydrant employing a bronze operating nut to protect this feature of the hydrant from malicious mischief or unauthorized removal. Ensure that such security devices do not require special tools for normal off/on operation of the hydrant. For the operating nut, use a tapered pentagon 1-1/2 in. point to face at the base, and 1-1/8 in. point to face at the top of the nut, opening left (counterclockwise). Fabricate hold down assemblies of metallic materials suitable for the intended service.

Design the hydrant barrel to permit the use of one or more standard extensions, available from the hydrant manufacturer, in lengths from 6 in. to 60 in. in 6 in. increments.

- 2.12.3. **Shut-off Valve and Inlet Shoe.** Provide hydrants with circular, compression-type shut-off valves which close with the water pressure, with center stem construction and which remain closed and tight against leakage upon impact. Ensure each shut-off valve is circular and not less than 5-1/4 in. in diameter. Seal the bottom end of the stem threads from contact with water by using a cap nut. Provide a bronze valve seat ring, threaded into a bronze drain ring to provide an all-bronze drain way. Ensure the seat ring and main valve assembly is removable from above ground through the upper barrel by using a light-weight seat removal wrench.

Construct the valve seat facing of molded rubber with a Durometer rating of 90 ± 5 , a minimum thickness of 1/2 in., and that is resistant to microbiological attack.

Unless otherwise shown on the plans, provide a hydrant inlet shoe that is an elbow with the AWWA standard bell designed for a nominal 6 in. mechanical joint hub end, or push-on assembly as specified. Provide a hydrant shoe of cast-iron or ductile-iron pipe that is flanged, swivel or slip joint with harnessing lugs for restrained joints. Coat the interior of the shoe with a minimum of 12 mils of fusion bonded epoxy conforming to NSF Standard 61. For underground flanging, incorporate a minimum of six 3/4 in. diameter electro-galvanized or cadmium-coated steel bolts or four 5/8 in. diameter stainless or cadmium-coated steel bolts.

- 2.12.4. **Valve Stem.** Where threads are located in the barrel or waterway, use Everdure operating stems, or other high-quality, non-correctible metal.

Use bronze-to-bronze working parts in the waterway; genuine wrought-iron or steel where threads are not located in the barrel or waterway, bronze bushed at the penetration of the stuffing box; seal the threads against contact with water regardless of the (open or closed) position of the main valve. Provide the valve stem with a breakable stem coupling opposite the barrel breakaway feature. Construct connecting pins and locking devices of bronze or other corrosion-resistant material. Provide the valve stem with a bronze sleeve, O-ring seals, and travel stop. Ensure the operating threads, working parts, and bearing surfaces are fully lubricated during normal operation of the fire hydrant. Ensure the lubricant is contained in a lubricating reservoir that is sealed at the top and bottom. Equip the operating assembly with a thrust bearing or lubricated thrust collar to minimize operating torque. Provide a lubricant meeting the requirements of FDA 21 CFR 178.3570 and manufactured with FDA-approved oxidation inhibitors.

Provide a valve stem that operates counterclockwise (turning to the left) to open.

- 2.12.5. **Gaskets and Seals.** Provide dynamic seals of O-ring type, oil-resistant material, which do not require adjustment for a watertight seal. Provide moving parts in contact with the seal made of bronze or other corrosion-resistant material.

Provide static seals of Buna "N" or other approved synthetic composition.

2.12.6. **Painting.** Shop coat the fire hydrant's exterior with 1 coat of rust prohibitive primer. Ensure the top half of the hydrant from the traffic flange up, receives 1 coat of blue enamel before delivery to the jobsite as outlined by the following:

2.12.6.1. **Exterior Above the Traffic Flange (Including Bolts and Nuts).** Prepare the surface in accordance with SSPC-SP10 (NACE 2), near-white blast-cleaned surface.

Coat with a 3-coat alkyd/silicone/alkyd system with a total dry film thickness (DFT) of 6-9 mils as follows:

- Prime Coat. Oil Modified Alkyd Primer, Acro Products No. 1104, Heavy Duty Tank & Steel Primer, or approved equal, in general accordance with SSPC Paint Specification No. 25. Apply with a total dry film thickness (DFT) of 2-3 mils.
- Intermediate Coat. Heavy Duty Heavy Duty Industrial Alkyd Enamel, Acro Products No. 2214, or approved equal, in general accordance with SSPC Paint Specification No. 104, and Federal Standard TT-E-489. Apply with a total dry film thickness (DFT) of 2-3 mils.
- Finish Coat. Silicone Alkyd Resin Enamel, Acro Products No. 2215, or approved equal, in general accordance with SSPC Paint Specification No. 21. Total dry film thickness (DFT) of 2-3 mils. Except do not finish shop coat the hydrant bonnet, only intermediate coat it. Field applies and color code the finish coating when installed.
- Colors. For primer, use the manufacturer's standard color. For the finish coat of the hydrant body, use blue (Acro 555 crystal blue or equivalent). Finish coat the hose connection caps white, and paint a white band of finish coat 2 in. in width on the hydrant body approximately 6 in. above and parallel to the traffic flange. For intermediate coat, use a contrasting color to the blue finish coat, such as white.

2.12.6.2. **Exterior Below the Traffic Flange.** Prepare the surface in accordance with SSPC-SP10 (NACE 2), near-white blast-cleaned surface.

Coat with a 3-coat system as follows:

- Primer and intermediate coat - coal tar epoxy, Acro Products No. 4467, or approved equal, in general accordance with SSPC Paint Specification No. 16. Apply 2 coats with a dry film thickness (DFT) of 8-10 mils each, for a total dry film thickness (DFT) of 16-20 mils.
- Finish coat - water based vinyl acrylic mastic, Acro Products No. 7782, or approved equal. Apply 1 coat with a dry film thickness (DFT) of 6-8 mils. For the color of the finish coat, use the same as for the finish coat for the exterior above the traffic flange i.e., blue (Acro 555 crystal blue or equivalent).

2.12.6.3. **Interior Surfaces Above and Below the Main Valve.** Provide material used for internal coating of hydrant interior ferrous surfaces below the main valve that is NSF61 listed as suitable for contact with potable water, as required by Chapter 290, "Rules and Regulation for Public Water Systems," Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ).

Prepare the surface in accordance with SSPC-SP10 (NACE 2), near-white blast-cleaned surface.

Provide a liquid or powder epoxy system coating in accordance with AWWA Standard C-550. Apply the coating in 2 or 3 coats, according to the manufacturer's recommendations, for a total dry film thickness of 12-18 mils.

2.12.6.4. **General.** Apply coatings in strict conformance with the manufacturer's recommendation. No requirement of this specification cancels or supersedes the written directions and recommendations of the specific coating manufacturer so as to jeopardize the integrity of the applied system.

Ensure the hydrant supplier furnishes an affidavit of compliance that the materials and work furnished comply with the requirements of this specification and referenced applicable standards.

After installing the hydrants and before the main is accepted, paint the bonnet portion of each fire hydrant as shown in Table 5.

Table 5
Fire Hydrant Bonnet Colors

Size of Supply Line (in.)	Color of Bonnet
6	Yellow
8	White
10-20	Green
24 and Larger	Orange

Ensure the color shades and paint quantities are approved and comply with the current specifications.

- 2.12.7. **Performance Standards.** Provide hydrants capable of a free discharge of 1,500 gal. per minute (gpm) or greater, from a single pumper nozzle at a hydrant inlet static pressure not exceeding 20 psig as measured at or corrected to the hydrant inlet at its centerline elevation.

Provide hydrants capable of a discharge of 1,500 gpm or greater from a single pumper nozzle at a maximum permissible head loss of 8.0 psig (when corrected for inlet and outlet velocity head) for an inlet operating pressure not exceeding 37 psig as measured at or corrected to the hydrant inlet at its centerline elevation.

- 2.12.7.1. **Hydraulic Performance Testing.** AWWA C502; ensure the certified pressure loss and quantity of flow test is conducted by a qualified testing laboratory on a production model (5-ft. bury length) of the hydrant (same catalog number) proposed for certification. Submit a certified test report containing following information:

Date of test, within the previous 5 yr., on a fire hydrant with similar hydraulic characteristics.

Name, catalog number, place of manufacture, and date of production of hydrants tested.

Schematic drawing of testing apparatus, containing dimensions of piping elements including:

- Diameter and length of inlet piping.
- Distance from flow measuring points to pressure measurement point.
- Distance from flow and pressure monitoring points to the hydrant inlet.
- Distance from pressure monitoring point to nozzles.
- Diameter and length of discharge tubing.

Elevation of points of measurement, inlet, and outlet.

Reports or certificates documenting the accuracy of the measuring devices used in testing.

Conduct the tests on at least 3 hydrants of the same fabrication design. Inlet water temperature: 70°F ± 5°F.

For traffic impact testing, submit a certified test report outlining the results of the traffic impact test involving standard production models of the fire hydrant with breakable barrels of the same design as that proposed for certification. Install these hydrants per AWWA C600; strike at a point 18 in. ± 2 in. above the designated ground line. Conduct tests using the point of impact on hydrant barrel within 2 in. of a line perpendicular to base and equidistant from the pumper nozzle and one hose nozzle.

Conduct successive tests simulating impacts by standard American-made vehicles with gross weights of 3,500 lb., 5,500 lb., and 10,500 lb.

Document the tests to provide the following minimum information:

- Detailed schematic drawings of the test facility.
- Complete description of the mechanical impact testing equipment used.
- Complete list of the hydrant parts and materials damaged in each impact test.
- Photographs.

- Size and static pressure of the line to which the hydrant is attached.
- Estimated of amount of water discharged, if any, from the hydrant within 30 min. immediately following the collision.

2.12.8. **Hydrant Leads.** Provide hydrant branch leads conforming to the same requirements under Section 2.2.3., "Steel Pipe Fittings;" Section 2.3., "Ductile-Iron Pipe and Fittings;" or Section 2.4., "Polyvinyl Chloride Pipe (PVC) Pipe and Fittings."

2.13. **Polyethylene Film Wrap.**

2.13.1. **General.** Except where noted on the plans, use polyethylene film as a wrap to protect cast-iron pipe, ductile-iron pipe, and fittings. Provide polyethylene film conforming to the requirements outlined in this specification and use only in open-cut construction.

2.13.2. **Film.** Provide polyethylene film in accordance with ASTM 1248 and AWWA C105, Type 1, Class C, Category 5, Grade J-3, 2.5% to 3% carbon black content. Unless otherwise shown on the plans, provide film 8 mils thick with a minimum tensile strength of 1,200 to 2,500 psi, elongation up to 600% and either in tubular or sheet form. Furnish film supplied in tubular form in the minimum widths shown in Table 6.

Table 6
Minimum Width of Film Tube (when laying flat)

Nominal Pipe Size (in.)	Push-on Joint Flat Tube Width (in.)
4	14
6	17
8	21
10	25
12	29
14	33
16	37
18	41
20	45
24	53

For film in sheet form, furnish in widths equal to twice that shown for tube widths.

2.13.3. **Polyethylene Tape.** For taping film edges and overlays, use 3 in. wide plastic-backed adhesive tape. Use Polyken No. 900, Scotch Wrap No. 50, or approved equal.

2.14. **Bedding Material.** Unless otherwise shown on the plans, provide one of the following types of bedding for water mains:

2.14.1. **Bank Run Sand.** Furnish bank run sand bedding as called for in these specifications and consisting of soil classified as SP, SW, or SM by the Unified Soil Classification System (USCS). Provide sand with a plasticity index, when tested, of less than 7% and a liquid limit of 25 or less. Ensure the bank run sand gradation has a maximum of 15% passing the No. 200 sieve when tested, and is free of roots, organic material, trash, clay lumps, or other deleterious or objectionable material.

2.14.2. **Concrete Sand.** Furnish concrete sand bedding conforming to the specifications for Fine Aggregates specified in ASTM Standard C-33. Provide Fine Aggregates consisting of natural sand, manufactured sand, or a combination of the two, within the gradation limits shown in Table 7.

Table 7
Fine Aggregate Gradation

Sieve Size	Percent Passing
3/8 in.	100
No. 4	95-100
No. 8	80-100
No. 16	50-85
No. 30	25-60
No. 50	10-30
No. 100	2-10

Ensure the aggregates do not contain any roots, organic material, trash, clay lumps, or other deleterious or other objectionable materials, in excess of the limits prescribed in the C-33 Standard.

- 2.14.3. **Pea Gravel.** Furnish pea gravel bedding conforming to the specifications for Coarse Aggregates specified for No. 8 size in ASTM Standard C-33. Provide Coarse Aggregates consisting of gravel composed of small, smooth, rounded, stones or pebbles, within the gradation limits shown in Table 8.

Table 8
Coarse Aggregate Gradation

Sieve Size	Percent Passing
1/2 in.	100
3/8 in.	85-100
No. 4	10-30
No. 8	0-10
No. 16	0-5

Ensure the aggregates do not contain any roots, organic material, trash, clay lumps or other deleterious or other objectionable materials, in excess of the limits prescribed in the C-33 Standard.

- 2.14.4. **Gem Sand.** Furnish gem sand generally conforming to specifications for Coarse Aggregates specified for No. 8 size in ASTM Standard C-33. Specifically, provide aggregates within the gradation limits shown in Table 9.

Table 9
Gem Sand Gradation

Sieve Size	Percent Passing
3/8 in.	95-100
1/4 in.	60-80
No. 4	15-40
No. 10	0-5

Ensure the aggregates do not contain any roots, organic material, trash, clay lumps, or other deleterious or other objectionable materials, in excess of the limits prescribed in the C-33 Standard.

- 2.15. **Backfill Material.** For sand backfill encasement of water mains, use one of the following materials, unless otherwise shown on the plans:
- 2.15.1. **Cement Stabilized Sand.** Furnish cement stabilized backfill containing a minimum of 5% cement per cu. yd. of material placed, based on the dry weight of the aggregate in accordance with Tex-120-E. Provide materials consisting of aggregate, cement, and water. Use cement and water conforming to the material requirements of Item 421. Provide sand aggregate, free from deleterious matter, with a plasticity index not greater than 6 when tested by Tex-106-E.
- 2.15.2. **Earth or Native Soil.** Furnish earth or native soil backfill consisting of soil containing no deleterious material such as trash, wood fragments, organic, or other objectionable material. Supply the material from either the material removed from the excavation or from offsite sources.

The material may consist of soil classified by the Unified Soil Classification System (USCS) as ML, CH, CL, CL-ML, SC, SP, SM, SW, or GC. Use earth backfill that meets the compaction requirements specified in this specification and does not cause any settlement.

- 2.15.3. **Bank Run Sand.** Furnish bank run sand backfill as called for in these specifications and conforming to the same requirements as those under Section 2.14.1., "Bank Run Sand."
- 2.16. **Concrete.** Use Class "A" concrete in conformance to the requirements of Item 421, unless otherwise shown on the plans. Leave the forms in place unless directed to remove certain sections of the forms.
- 2.17. **Water Meters, Meter Vaults, and Meter Boxes.**
- 2.17.1. **Water Meters.** Provide meters of the type and size indicated on the plans.
- 2.17.1.1. **Provide Bolted Split Casings.** Main casings of meters and external fasteners: Copper alloy with minimum 75% copper for 5/8 in. to 2 in., bronze or cast-iron, hot-dipped galvanized or epoxy coating for coating for 3 in. and larger.
- 2.17.1.2. **Straightening Vanes.** Use non-corrosive material compatible with the case material.
- 2.17.1.3. **Intermediate Gear Train.** Do not allow the intermediate gear train to come in contact with water; operate in suitable lubricant.
- Register: Automatic Meter Reading (AMR) type that provides pulse, contact closure, piezo switch, or encoder-generated output signal, compatible with Utility Owner's radio and telephone AMR systems. Provide a minimum 12 ft. of wire when permanently connected to the register. Lens: impact resistant. Register box: tamper resistant by means of a tamper screw or plug: Register: permanently sealed, straight-reading, center-sweep test hand, magnetic driven, reading in U.S. gal. Digits: 6, black in color with the lowest registering three digits (below 1,000 gal. registration) in contrasting digit and background colors. Register capacity of meters: 9.99 million gal. for 5/8 in. to 2 in. and 999.999 million gal. for 3 in. and larger.
- Connections: 5/8 in. to 1 in.: threads at each end; 1-1/2 in. to 2 in.: two-bolt oval flanges each end; 3 in. and larger: flange at each end.
- Stamp the manufacturer's meter serial number on the outer case. Stamp the manufacturer's meter serial number on the outside of the register lid, when provided. Ensure the manufacturer's serial numbers are individual and not duplicated.
- Meters: Equip with AMR type register to connect to the Utility Owner's AMR system. Compound Meter manufactured by: Badger, Hersey Products, Neptune, Sensus, or approved equal. Turbine Meters: manufactured by Badger, Hersey Products, Neptune, Sensus, or approved equal.
- Fire Service Meters: manufactured by Hersey Products, Neptune, Sensus, or approved equal. Displacement Meters: manufactured by Badger, Neptune, Hershey, Kent, Sensus, or approved equal.
- 2.17.1.4. **Manufacturing Quality Control.** Permit successful interchangeability from one meter to another of same size; registers, measuring chambers and units, discs or pistons as units, change gears, bolts, nuts, and washers, without affecting the accuracy of the new meters.
- 2.17.1.5. **Commercial Meter Valves for Meter Installations.** Provide commercial meter valves identical to line valves except provide them with Class 125 flanges and equip them with hand wheels operating counterclockwise to open.
- For pipe and fittings inside the meter box or meter vault, use ductile-iron conforming to Section 2.3., "Ductile-Iron Pipe and Fittings," and as specified on the plans.
- 2.17.2. **Meter Vaults.**
- 2.17.2.1. **General.** Furnish meter vaults in either of the following designs: precast concrete vault, cast-in-place concrete vault, or solid masonry, unless a specific type of construction is required on plans. Ensure

dimensions and reinforcement complies with the Utility Owner's standard meter vault drawings for the type and size shown on the plans. Use Class "S" concrete conforming to the requirements of Item 421.

- 2.17.2.2. **Precast Concrete Vaults.** Construct precast concrete vaults as shown on the plans. Use reinforcing steel conforming to the requirements of Item 440.

Install precast vaults in conformance with the manufacturer recommendations. Set level and on a minimum 3 in. thick bed of sand conforming to the requirements of Section 2.15, "Backfill Material." Seal lifting holes with cement mortar or non-shrink grout.

- 2.17.2.3. **Meter Vault Floor Slab.** Slope the floor 1/4 in. per foot toward the sump. Make the sump 12 in. in diameter, or 12 in. square, and 4 in. deep, unless other dimensions are shown on the plans. Install dowels at a maximum of 18 in., center-to-center, or install a mortar trench for keying the walls to the floor slab.

- 2.17.2.4. **Cast-In-Place Concrete Vaults.** Construct cast-in-place concrete vaults as shown on the plans. Use reinforcing steel conforming to the requirements of Item 440. Key the walls to the floor slab.

- 2.17.2.5. **Frame and Cover.** Use A-36 welded steel, or approved equal. Fabricate the cover plate with a 1/4 in. skid-resistant raised pattern floor plate. Fabricate the meter access door from the same material as the cover plate. Perform welding in accordance with the provisions of Item 441. Nondestructive testing will not be required.

Furnish castings for frames, grates, rings, and covers conforming to ASTM A48 Class 30. Provide locking covers if indicated on the plans. Use castings capable of withstanding the application of an AASHTO HS-20 loading, unless otherwise specified.

Provide covers and frames conforming to the shape dimensions, and with the wording or logos shown on the plans. The standard diameter dimension for manhole covers is 32 in. Furnish frames, grates, rings, and covers conforming to Item 471, except as noted above and except for measurement and payment.

- 2.17.3. **Meter Boxes.**

- 2.17.3.1. **General.** Furnish meter boxes for 5/8 in. through 1 in. meters of the following materials:

- Non-traffic bearing locations: cast-iron, concrete, or plastic as specified on the plans.
- Traffic bearing locations: cast iron.

Meter boxes for 1-1/2 in. and 2 in. meters: cast-iron. Provide meter box lids with a key-operated, spring type, locking device and a reading lid. Ensure the lids contain enough metals so that the meter box is easily located with metal a detector. If words are specified on the plans, cast them into lid with letters of 1/2 in. height and raised by 3/32 in. Ensure the size reads 5/8 in. to 1 in. or 1-1/2 in. to 2 in.

Furnish meter boxes conforming to the following approximate dimensions:

- Length: At the top, 15-1/2 in.; at the bottom, 20 in.
- Width: At the top, 12-1/2 in.; at the bottom, 14-3/4 in.
- Height: 12 in.

Ensure that meter box extensions 3 in. and 6 in. in height are available from the manufacturer.

- 2.17.3.2. **Cast-Iron Meter Boxes.** Furnish cast-iron boxes that are clean and free from sand blow-holes or other defects, and conforming to the requirements of ASTM A48. Machine the bearing surfaces so that the covers seat evenly in the frames. Provide boxes and lids with a dipped, coal-tar-pitch, varnish finish. Provide lock-type meter boxes when shown on the plans. Ensure the lock mechanisms work with ease.

- 2.17.3.3. **Concrete Meter Boxes.** Furnish concrete meter boxes made of Class "A" concrete conforming to requirements of Item 421. Construct boxes as shown on the plans. Furnish castings that are free from

fractures, large or deep cracks, blisters or surface roughness, or any other defects that may affect serviceability.

- 2.17.3.4. **Plastic Meter Boxes.** Furnish plastic meter boxes made of high-density polyethylene conforming to the ASTM Specifications shown in Table 10.

Table 10
ASTM Test Requirements for Plastic Meter Boxes

ASTM Test	Requirement
D256	Impact Strength = 1.9 ft.-lb./in. (Izod, Notched)
D256	Impact Strength = 6.4 ft.-lb./in. (Izod, Un-Notched)
D638	Tensile Strength (2.0 Min) = 3,400 psi
D648	Deflection Temperature = 170°F
D790	Flexural Modulus = 90,000 psi
D676	Shore D Hardness, 55-65 Impact
	Strength, Falling Dart Method, 100 in.-lb.

Provide meter boxes meeting the following test requirements:

- Static Load: Not less than 2,500 lb. using a 6 in. disc with direct compression exerted at the center of the top of the meter box with a solid plastic lid.
- Deflection: Not less than 1,000 lb. load required to deflect the top edge of the meter box 1/8 in.

Provide a meter box body, without lid, weighing approximately 7 lb.

- 2.18. **Affidavit of Compliance.** Unless otherwise directed, furnish a manufacturer's affidavit of compliance for each of the materials used in this project. Ensure the affidavit certifies that factory inspection and specified tests were performed and that the material furnished complies with the requirements outlined in this specification.

- 2.19. **Pressure Reducing Station.** Unless otherwise shown on the plans, furnish new and unused station piping, valves, and fittings, of the same type as specified on the plans.

Use Class "S" concrete in conformance with Item 421.

Provide reinforcing steel in conformance with Item 440.

Provide a Pressure Reducing Valve (PRV) with a strainer, in the location and arrangement shown on the plans. Provide a valve body made of ductile iron with Class 150 ANSI B16.1 flanges. Provide a valve cover made of ASTM A 48 cast iron. Use Buna-N rubber parts. No leather parts are allowed. Provide a resilient seat with a rectangular cross-section.

Valve internals: Provide a single moving disc and diaphragm assembly. Use a flexible nylon fabric-reinforced elastomer diaphragm integral with assembly. Provide valve internal trim (seat ring, disc guide, and cover bearing) made of stainless steel. Apply a heat fusion bonded epoxy coating to the internal and external surfaces of the valve body including the disc retainer and diaphragm washer. Holiday test the coating applied to the valve body to confirm a minimum even coating of 5-7 mils. Treat the stem with a penetrative salt nitride process. Use a Xylan-coated seat. Leather parts are not allowed. Prepare threaded connections by first using an approved pipe tape.

Furnish control tubing containing shutoff cocks with a "Y" strainer. Equip the valve to allow installing control tubing on either side of the valve. Equip the valve with a valve position indicator.

Ensure the valve and valve box are initially set in the field by an authorized manufacturer's representative. Set the downstream pressure at 60 psi unless otherwise specified. Ensure the PRV includes an adjustable and pressure sustaining pilot system. Use a diaphragm type or piston type valve for the main valve.

Provide Cla-Val Model 90-01BDSYKCKD, Watts ACV Model 115-3M, or approved equal.

Provide a basket strainer upstream of the pressure reducing valve as shown on the plans. Furnish a quick-opening type strainer body, of fabricated steel construction with ANSI Class 150 flanges. Use Type 304 stainless steel for the basket.

Provide a Hayward Model 90, or equal, for PRV's 4 in. to 24 in. When there are space constraints, provide a Hayward Model 510, or equal, for PRV's 14 in. or greater.

- 2.20. **Adjusting Manholes.** Reuse removed manhole and inlet rings, plates, grates, covers, and brick if they are in good condition as determined by the Engineer. Provide additional materials in accordance with Item 465 at no cost to the Department. Single- or multiple-piece prefabricated metal extension rings may be used for the adjustment of manholes as approved. Provide concrete that conforms to the requirements of Item 421.

3. CONSTRUCTION

All construction must conform to the requirements of this Item, the plans and the following Items:

- Item 100, "Preparing Right of Way"
- Item 400, "Excavation and Backfill for Structures"
- Item 402, "Trench Excavation Protection"
- Item 403, "Temporary Special Shoring"
- Item 421, "Hydraulic Cement Concrete"
- Item 465, "Junction Boxes, Manholes, and Inlets"
- Item 476, "Jacking, Boring, or Tunneling Pipe or Box"
- Item 479, "Adjusting Manholes and Inlets"

3.1. Excavation.

- 3.1.1. **Trenches.** Construct water lines and fire hydrant branches (leads) in open cut trenches with vertical sides except in those locations where the pipe is tunneled, cased, or augered. Construct the trenches to the dimensions shown in the excavation and backfill details.

Sheath and brace the trenches to the extent necessary to maintain the sides of the trench in a vertical position throughout the construction period. Protect excavation greater than 5 ft. in depth as specified by Item 402, or Item 403.

Open and excavate the trenches to the finished grade. To allow for possible adjustment of the alignment and grade, locate the water mains to which the mains and fire hydrant branches (leads) under construction are to be connected, well in advance of making connections.

Construct water mains and fire hydrant branches (leads) in dry trenches. If necessary, employ well pointing or additional sheathing to accomplish this objective, at no additional cost to the Department.

For pipes less than 18 in. in diameter, the minimum trench width below the top of the pipe is the outside diameter of the pipe, plus 18 in. For pipes 18 in. and larger, the minimum trench width below the top of pipe is the outside diameter of pipe plus 24 in. Additional width will be required for unstable conditions. The Engineer will determine unstable conditions.

Where it is necessary to excavate trenches adjacent to improved property, take precautions to avoid damaging or impairing that property. Where it is necessary to disturb grass, shrubs, driveways, etc., restore such improvements to their original condition.

Use enough trench width or benches above the embedment zone when installing well point headers or manifolds and pumps, where the trench depth makes it uneconomical or impractical to pump from the surface elevation. Provide enough space between the shoring cross braces to permit equipment operations and handling the forms, pipe, embedment and backfill, and other materials.

Before moving the supports, place and compact the embedment to enough depth to provide protection of the pipe and stability of the trench walls. As the supports are moved, finish placing and compacted the embedment.

Immediately before placing the embedment materials, ensure the bottoms and sidewalls of trenches are free of loose, sloughing, caving, or otherwise unsuitable soil.

Place and compact the embedment materials directly against the undisturbed soils in the trench sidewalls or against sheeting which will remain in place.

Do not place trench shields or shoring within the height of the embedment zone unless using some means to maintain the density of the compacted embedment material. If using moveable supports in embedment zone, lift the supports incrementally to allow placing and compacting of the material against undisturbed soil.

Place haunching material around the pipe and compact it to provide uniform bearing and side support.

Place trench dams in Class I embedments near the midpoint of line segments longer than 100 ft. between manholes.

Where damage to the completed pipe installation work is likely to result from withdrawal of the sheeting, leave the sheeting in place.

3.1.2. **Existing Streets.** Unless otherwise shown on the plans, open cut existing streets.

Where water line construction requires cutting through existing streets outside the limits of new street construction, replace those streets in kind in conformance with the appropriate specifications in the proposal or as directed. When cutting pavement outside the Department's right of way, comply with the Utility Owner Street Cutting Ordinance.

Where, in the opinion of the Engineer, it is necessary to maintain traffic across a trench, construct temporary bridges as necessary to facilitate the movement of traffic.

At locations where the proposed water main parallels the edge of an existing permanent pavement (i.e., concrete pavement, concrete base with asphalt surface, etc.), and is 3 ft. or less from the edge of that pavement, protect the trench with timber sheathing and bracing. Leave the bracing in place at intervals of 5 ft. maximum.

Keep the street surface adjacent to the trench free of surplus spoil. Place construction materials at locations that minimize interference with the traveling public.

Do not close more than 2 street intersections at any one time unless authorized in writing..

3.2. **Jacking, Tunneling, Boring, or Augering.**

3.2.1. **General.** Perform jacking, tunneling, or augering for water mains and fire hydrant branches (leads) at the locations shown on the plans and at other locations specifically designated by the Engineer.

Unless otherwise shown on the plans, use casing pipe conforming to the requirements of Section 2.2.2., "Steel Casing Pipe."

Excavate auger pits to a finished grade at least 6 in. lower than that indicated by the construction stakes or as approved, to ensure that a dry pit bottom is encountered.

Provide a minimum width of jacking, tunneling, or augering pits such that there is at least 6 in. of space between the pipe and the walls of the auger pit. The maximum allowable width of the pit is 5 ft., unless otherwise approved. Ensure the width of the pit at the surface is not less than at the bottom. The maximum

allowable length of the pit is 5 ft. longer than 1 full joint of pipe of the type being used and does not exceed 25 ft., unless approved.

Grout in place tunnels for water lines with 36 in. diameters. When casing size is 48 in. in diameter or greater, or when using a tunnel liner plate, regardless of the water line diameter, grout in place unless otherwise directed. Provide an annular grout consisting of a sand-cement mortar mix with a 28 day compressive strength of at least 1,500 psi, when tested in accordance with ASTM C 942. The maximum allowable density is 130 pcf.

Use admixtures meeting ASTM C 494 and ASTM C 1017 as required, to improve pump ability, control the time of set, hold sand in suspension, and reduce segregation and bleeding. Fill the annular space in 3 lifts to prevent pipe floating. In addition, place appropriate blocking between the carrier pipe and the top of the liner to maintain position. Place a concrete invert to facilitate threading the carrier pipe.

Do not allow inadvertent metallic contact between the casing and the carrier pipe. Place spacers to ensure that the carrier pipe is adequately supported throughout its length, particularly at ends, to offset setting and possible electrical shorting, unless otherwise approved by Engineer. Ensure the end spacer is within 6 in. of the end of the casing pipe, regardless of the size of the casing and carrier pipe or the type of spacer used. Casing spacers are designed to withstand much greater loads than can be safely applied to most coatings. Therefore, the spacing between spacers depends largely on the load bearing capabilities of the pipe coating and the flexibility of the pipe.

Install casing spacers in conformance with the manufacturer's instructions. Use special care to ensure that subcomponents are correctly assembled, evenly tightened, and that no damage occurs while tightening the insulators or inserting the carrier pipe.

Seal the annulus between the carrier pipe and casing with casing end seals at each end of the casing.

Insular Spacing:

- Provide spacing as shown on the plans with a maximum distance between spacers of 10 ft. for pipe sizes for pipe sizes 4 in. to 14 in. and 8 ft. for pipe sizes 16 in. to 30 in.
- For ductile-iron pipe, flanged pipe, or bell-and-spigot pipe, install spacers within 1 ft. on each side of the bell or flange, and one in the center of the joint when 18 ft. to 20 ft. long joints are used.
- If the casing or carrier pipe is angled or bent, reduce the spacing. Provide the casing with a smooth, continuous interior surface.

Perform bedding and backfilling of jacking, tunneling, boring, or augering pits in conformance with the details on the plans and these specifications.

3.2.2. **Jacking Steel Casing.** Perform jacking of steel casing in accordance with the requirements of Item 476.

3.2.3. **Tunneling.** Perform tunneling in accordance with the tunneling requirements of Item 476.

3.2.4. **Boring or Augering.** Perform boring or augering in accordance with the requirements of Item 476.

Do not exceed 100 ft. for the length of the auger hole without a receiving pit.

Do not exceed 75 ft. for the length of the auger hole for PVC pipe 12 in. and less in diameter without a receiving pit.

Do not exceed 40 ft. for the length of the auger hole for PVC pipe 16 in. and greater in diameter without a receiving pit.

At locations where water pipes cross underneath driveways (of 16 ft. or less in width) or sidewalks, install the pipe in tight fitting augered holes.

At locations where the centerline of the proposed water main is 10 ft. or less from the centerline of an 8 in. diameter or larger growing tree, place the pipe in a tight fitting augered hole. Extend the bored hole at least 4 ft. beyond each side of the tree.

Block the void space around the pipe in the augered hole with approximately 12 in. of packed clay or similar approved material, so that the bedding or backfill does not escape into the void around the pipe in the auger hole, when compacted.

Around the pipe, a use the minimum volume of the clay or similar acceptable material as shown in Table 11.

Table 11
Volume of Clay or Acceptable Material for Blocking Voids

Pipe Diameter (in.)	Minimum Quantity (cu. Ft.)
4 through 8	0.5
12 through 16	0.75

3.2.5. **Bedding for Trenches and for Jacking, Tunneling, Boring, or Augering Pits.**

3.2.5.1. **Pipe Bedding for Water Mains Less Than 24 Inches in Diameter.**

3.2.5.1.1. **Open Cut Trench Installation.** Construct trenches with a minimum of 6 in. bedding. Remove the soil in the bottom of the trench, excavate to a minimum depth of 6 in. below the bottom of the pipe, and replace the soil with bedding material. Remove saturated material from the bottom of the pit before placing the bedding. Place the pipe in the bedding such that there is a 6 in. bedding below and up to the spring line of the pipe.

Compact the bedding material to within 95% of the standard density within 5% of the optimum moisture as determined by Tex-113-E. Mechanically compact the bedding material by using vibratory equipment or any other acceptable equipment.

3.2.5.1.2. **Jacking, Tunneling, Boring or Augering Pits.** Construct pits with a minimum of 6 in. bedding. Remove the soil in the pit, excavate to a minimum depth of 6 in. below the bottom of the pipe and replace the soil with bedding material.

If the bottom of the excavation becomes wet due to the presence of groundwater and a dewatering system is not required, and if directed, over excavate an additional 6 in. to a depth of 1 ft. below the bottom of the pipe. Place a non-woven geotextile fabric and then compact 12 in. of bank run sand or concrete sand in a single lift on top of the fabric. Compact the upper 6 in. to 90% of the standard maximum density as determined by Tex-113-E. The Engineer may require the Contractor to remove unstable or unsuitable material, even though the Contractor has not determined the material to be unsuitable.

Mechanically compact the bedding material by using vibratory equipment or any other acceptable equipment. Compact the bedding material to 95% of the standard density within 5% of the optimum moisture, as determined by Tex-113-E.

3.2.5.1.3. **Bedding Materials.** The following describes the acceptable materials for bedding:

- Section 2.14.1., "Bank Run Sand"
- Section 2.14.3., "Pea Gravel"

Bank run sand may be used as bedding material around the pipe only if, as determined by the Engineer, the trench bottom and sides are dry. If sand is used, place the pipe in the bedding so that there is at least 6 in. bedding around and on top of the pipe. Compact the sand as described in Section 3.2.5.1.1., "Open Cut Trench Installation."

3.2.5.2. **Pipe Bedding for Water Mains 24 Inches or Greater in Diameter.**

Open Cut: Provide pipe bedding as described in Section 3.2.5.1., "Pipe Bedding for Water Mains Less Than 24 Inches in Diameter," with the following exceptions: Use bank run sand for the bedding material as described in Section 2.14, "Bedding Material."

Compact cement stabilized sand used as backfill or as pipe bedding as specified on the plans, in 6 in. lifts to 95% of the standard maximum density as determined by Tex-113-E, at the optimum moisture content.

- 3.3. **Handling Pipe and Accessories.** During pipe construction operations, use caution to prevent injury to the pipe, protective linings, and coatings in conformance with the manufacturer's recommendations. Do not place debris, tools, or other materials in the pipe.

Repair any damage to the pipe or the protective lining and coating from any cause during the installation of the pipeline and before final acceptance by the purchaser. Perform this work as directed, in conformance with the applicable standards, and at no cost to the Department.

Unload pipe, fittings, valves, and accessories at the point of delivery and haul them to the project site. Distribute the material opposite or near the place where it will be laid in the trench such that storm water or runoff will not enter or pass through the pipe. Do not drop the materials. Do not allow pipe handled on skid ways to be skidded or rolled against pipe already on the ground.

Load, transport, unload, and otherwise handle pipe and fittings in a manner and by methods which prevent damage of any kind. Handle and transport pipe with equipment designed, constructed, and arranged to prevent damage to the pipe, lining, and coating. Do not allow bare chains, hooks, metal bars, or narrow skids or cradles to come in contact with the coatings. Provide pipe fittings with enough interior strutting or cross-bracing to prevent deflection under their own weight.

Hoist the pipe and fittings from the trench side into the trench by means of a sling of smooth steel cable, canvas, leather, nylon, or similar material. Do not lift pipe by using hooks at each end of the pipe. When stacking pipe, ensure it is packaged on timbers. Place protective pads under the banding straps at the time of packaging.

When using fork trucks to relocate pipe, pad the forks using carpet or some other suitable type of material. When relocating pipe using a crane or backhoe, use nylon straps or smooth steel cable, do not use chains, around the pipe for lift.

- 3.4. **Cutting Pipe.** Cut pipe 12 in. in diameter and smaller in conformance with the manufacturer's recommendations. Cut pipe larger than 12 in. in an approved manner. Perform each cut at right angles to the axis of the pipe and file or grind to remove sharp edges. Use a cutting machine unless otherwise approved by Engineer. Do not damage pipe or linings and coatings, while cutting.

- 3.5. **Defective or Damaged Material.** Inspect pipe and accessories for defects before lowering into the trench. Repair or replace any defective, damaged, or unsound material as directed.

If a damaged piece of pipe, furnished by the Contractor, is placed in the water main, furnish the labor and materials necessary to remove and replace the defective pipe and to restore the street to its original condition at no cost to the Department. If the Contractor damages the pipe after installation, the Engineer may permit the damaged section to be cut from the length, unless it is the opinion of the Engineer that the entire length was damaged. The cost of and replacement of broken pipe is at the expense of the Contractor.

- 3.6. **Cleaning Pipe and Accessories.** Remove lumps, blisters, and excess coating from the bell and spigot ends of steel pipe, ductile-iron pipe, valves, hydrants, and fittings. Wire brush the outside of the spigot and the inside of the bell and wipe clean, dry, and free from oil and grease before laying the pipe.

Remove foreign matter or dirt from the interior of water pipe, accessories, and from the mating surfaces of the joints, before lowering the material into the trench. Keep the pipe and accessories clean during and after laying by approved means.

Use cleaning solutions, detergents, solvents, etc. with caution when cleaning PVC pipe.

Provide cleanup and restoration crews to work closely behind the pipe laying crews, and where necessary, during disinfection, testing, service transfers, abandonment of old mains, backfilling, and surface restoration.

Upon completely installing a section not exceeding 4,000 ft. per crew, immediately prepare to disinfect and pressure test between valves or plugs. No later than 3 days after completing disinfection preparatory work, submit to the Utility Owner an appropriate request for disinfection.

Begin transfer of services no later than 7 calendar days after successfully completing the disinfection and pressure testing.

Immediately after transfer of services, begin abandonment of the old mains, including re-sodding and placing sidewalks and pavements.

Do not begin construction of additional sections if the above conditions are not met.

For large diameter water mains, do not install more than 2,000 ft. of main, until the previous 2,000 ft. is cleaned up and the site is fully restored. Schedule paving crews so that the repaving work will not lag behind the pipe laying work by more than 1,000 ft.

Completely restore the site within 30 days from the date the water main is successfully disinfected and hydrostatically tested, unless extended in writing by the Engineer.

For projects involving multiple locations, limit water main installation to a maximum of 2 project site locations.

Remove construction debris or foreign material and thoroughly clean and flush piping systems as approved. Provide temporary connections, equipment, and labor for cleaning. The Engineer must inspect the water main for cleanliness before filling.

Disinfection of Water Lines: Conform to the requirements of Section 3.17., "Disinfecting Mains and Testing for Leakage."

- 3.7. **Laying Pipe.** For the work of laying the pipe, employ only workers who are skilled and experienced in laying pipe of the type and joint configuration being furnished. Provide watertight pipe and pipe joints. Lay pipe with the bell ends facing in the direction of laying, unless otherwise directed.

Lay pipe to the lines and grades shown on the plans. To ensure proper placement, use adequate surveying methods and equipment, and employ personnel competent in using this equipment. Ensure the pipe does not deviate from the horizontal and vertical alignment indicated on the plans by more than 0.10 ft., without prior approval. Measure and record the "as-built" horizontal alignment and vertical grade at a maximum of every 50 ft. on the on-site recorded plans.

During pipe laying operations, keep pipe trenches free of water which might impair the laying operations. Ensure holes for bells are of ample size to prevent the bells from coming in contact with the subgrade. Carefully grade pipe trenches to provide uniform support along the bottom of the pipe.

Do not lay more than 50 ft. of pipe in the trench ahead of the backfilling operations. If pipe laying operations are interrupted overnight, cover the pipe laid in the trench simultaneously on each side of the pipe or completely backfill, to avoid lateral displacement of the pipe and damage to the joints. If adjustment of the position of a length of pipe is required after it is laid, remove and re-lay it in conformance with these specifications and at no expense to the Department. After pipe laying and joining operations are complete, clean the inside of the pipe and remove debris.

Use care to prevent damage to the coating when placing backfill. Backfill in accordance with Section 3.11, "Backfilling."

Lay pipe in a straight line unless otherwise shown or approved. Long radius curves, either horizontal or vertical, may be laid with standard pipe using deflections at the joints. If curved pipe is shown, needing no special fittings, the curves can be made by deflection of the joints with standard lengths of pipe as approved. If maximum pipe joint deflections are permitted, do not exceed the manufacturer's recommendation for maximum pipe joint deflections. Joint the gasketed pipe in a straight alignment and then deflect it to the curved alignment.

If the vertical deflection exceeds the maximum recommended by the manufacturer, remove the entire portion of the deflected pipe section and install new pipe as directed. Perform this work at no expense to the Department. The Engineer may measure assessment of deflection at any location along the pipe. Arithmetical averages of the vertical deflection or similar average measurement methods will not be deemed as meeting the intent of the standard.

Where field conditions require horizontal deflection curves not shown on the plans, the Engineer will determine the methods to be used.

No additional payment will be made for laying pipe on curves as shown, or for change orders involving standard lengths of pipe deflected at the joints. Adjust the pipe, valves, hydrants, and fittings to be at their proper locations and prepare each joint as specified in Section 3.8., "Joining Pipe and Accessories." As each joint of pipe is laid in the trench, center the spigot end in the bell of the previously laid pipe, then force home the pipe and bring it to the correct line and grade. Ensure each length of pipe rests on the bottom of the trench and is inspected for damage throughout its entire length.

When pipe laying is discontinued for the day or for an indefinite period, tightly place a cap or plug in the end of the last pipe laid to prevent the intrusion of water. When water is excluded from the interior of pipe, place enough backfill on the pipe to prevent floating. Schedule the work to prevent the possibility of floatation. Remove from the trench any pipe that has floated and re-lay as directed.

When assembling PVC pipe on top of the trench, allow it to cool to ground temperature before backfilling, to prevent pull-out due to thermal contraction.

Do not schedule night works or plant shut down to begin within 2 working days before or after Utility Owner-designated holidays.

For tie-ins to existing water mains, provide the necessary material on-hand to facilitate connection before shutting down the existing water main.

Ensure that separation from gravity sanitary sewers and manholes, or from force mains, is a minimum of 9 ft. clearance in all directions or as specified, unless a special design is shown on the plans.

Minimum Clearance of this specification:

- Parallel water line and gravity sanitary sewer force main, or manhole with no leaks:
Minimum 4 ft. horizontal clearance from the outside wall of the water line to the outside wall of the gravity sanitary sewer, force main, or manhole.
- Water line crossing above gravity sanitary sewer or force main with no leaks:
Minimum 2 ft. vertical clearance.
- Water line crossing below a sanitary sewer or force main with no leaks:
Minimum 2 ft. vertical clearance.

3.8. **Joining Pipe and Accessories.**

- 3.8.1. **Ductile-Iron Pipe, Valves, Hydrants, and Fittings.** After thoroughly cleaning the inside of the bell and the outside of the spigot, install members in conformance with the manufacturer's recommendation and AWWA C600, or as modified by these specifications.

Mark pipe and accessories that are not furnished, with a depth mark before assembly to ensure that the spigot end is inserted to the full depth of the joint.

Brace the fittings on small mains with short pieces of 2 in. galvanized pipe as directed.

Brace each plug installed under this contract by a standard pipe clamp, a 3 ft. nipple of the same diameter pipe as the nearby sections of mains, and a block of concrete.

For 4 in. through 12 in. water mains, use pipe clamps that are Underwriters Lab-approved for underground water service piping. For water mains 16 in. and larger, use pipe clamps conforming to details shown on the plans.

For rubber-gasketed joints use lubrication that is water soluble, non-toxic, non-objectionable in taste and odor imparted to the fluid, non-supporting of bacteria growth, and has no deteriorating effect on coatings or rubber gaskets.

- 3.8.2. **Polyvinyl Chloride Pipe and Accessories.** Join plastic pipe in conformance with the instructions furnished by the manufacturer. To prevent weakening the joint, do not handle or install in the trench pipe joined using solvent cementing techniques, until the joints "cure."

For rubber-gasketed joints, use lubrication that is water soluble, non-toxic, non-objectionable in taste and odor imparted to the fluid, non-supporting of bacteria growth, and has no deteriorating effect on PVC or rubber gaskets.

- 3.8.3. **Welded Joints for Steel Pipe.** Ensure the joints receive a full-penetration butt weld type double weld, in accordance with AWWA C206. It is the Contractor's option to use either automatic or hand welders. Before starting the work, provide proof of certification of qualification for welders employed on the project for every type of work procedure and position involved. Ensure qualification is in accordance with AWWA C206. Ensure complete penetration of deposited metal with the base metal. Provide inside fittings and joints that are free from globules of weld metal that would restrict flow or become loose.

Miter end cuts of both ends of butt-welded joints may be used for joint deflections of up to 2.5°.

Set fittings and joints square and true, and preserve the alignment during welding operations. Align the butting ends to minimize the offset between surfaces. For pipe of the same nominal wall thickness, do not exceed 1/16 in. offset. Use line-up clamps for this purpose; however, exercise caution to avoid damaging to the linings and coatings.

Furnish each welder employed with a steel stencil for marking welds, so the work of each welder can be identified. Mark pipe with the assigned stencil adjacent to the weld. If a welder leaves the job, void that stencil and do not duplicate it. Welders making defective welds must discontinue work and leave the project site. Such welders may return to the project site only after recertification.

During welding, protect the lining by draping an 18 in. wide strip of heat-resistant material over the top half of the pipe on each side of the lining holdback to avoid damage to the lining by the hot splatter. Protect the tape coating similarly.

Provide welding rods of a type compatible with the metal being welded, to obtain the strongest bond, E-70XX.

Deposit the metal in successive layers so there will be at least 2 passes or beads for automatic welding and 3 passes or beads for manual welding in the completed weld.

On welds, do not deposit more than 1/4 in. of metal on each pass. Thoroughly clean the weld by wire brushing and hammering on each individual pass including the final one, to remove dirt, slag, or flux.

Do not perform welding under any weather condition that would impair the strength of the weld, such as wet surface, rain or snow, dust or high winds, unless the work is properly protected.

If using tack welds, ensure they are of the same material and made by the same procedure as the completed weld. Otherwise, remove tack welds during the welding operation.

Remove dirt, scale, and other foreign matter from the inside of piping before tying in sections, fittings, or valves.

Provide a minimum overlap of 4 in. of butt strap over the adjacent piece on butt strap closures.

Employ an approved independent certified testing laboratory, to perform weld tests and associated work to accommodate testing on the entire job. Include the cost of such testing in the contract unit bid price for the water main. Furnish copies of test reports to the Engineer for review. Ensure testing is by X-ray methods for butt welds and is performed for every joint weld. If a defective weld is revealed, assume the cost of repairing and retesting the repaired weld. The Engineer has the full and final decision as to the suitability of welds tested. If any interior or exterior coating or lining is damaged during the welding process, repair it and return it to its original state as approved, in conformance with applicable AWWA standards.

Provide cylindrical corrosion barriers (CCBs) for epoxy-lined steel pipe smaller than 24 in. in diameter. Furnish CCBs manufactured by CCB International, Inc., or approved equal. CCBs are not required if the minimum wall thickness is 1/2 in. or greater.

In addition to the welding requirements contained in this specification, conform to the protection fitting manufacturer's installation recommendations.

Provide the services of a technical representative of the manufacturer available on site at beginning of pipe laying operations. Ensure this representative is able to train welders and advise regarding installation and general construction methods. Employ only welders with at least 12 mo. experience installing protection fittings.

3.8.4. **Flanged Joints for Steel Pipe.** Before installing bolts, accurately center the flange joints and align them to prevent mechanical pre-stressing of flanges, pipe, and appurtenances. Align bolt holes to straddle the vertical, horizontal, or north-south, centerline. The maximum inclination of the flange face from the true alignment is 3/64 in. per foot.

Use full-face gaskets for flanged joints. Provide 1/8 in. thick cloth inserted rubber gasket material. Cut the gaskets at the factory to the proper dimensions.

Unless otherwise noted, provide insulation kits at connections to the existing water system or at locations to isolate one type of cathodic system from another type; between water line, access manhole piping, and other major openings in the water line; or as shown on the plans.

For isolating flange joints 30 in. in diameter and greater, and at butterfly valve flanges, provide a Pyrox G-10 with nitrite seal, Type E LineBacker gasket as manufactured by Pipeline Seal and Insulator, Inc., or approved equal, conforming to ANSI A 21.11 mechanical joint gaskets. For isolating flange joints 24 in. in diameter and smaller, provide a Phenolic PSI with nitrite seal, Type E LineBacker gasket as manufactured by Pipeline Seal and Insulator, Inc., or approved equal, conforming to ANSI A 21.11 mechanical joint gaskets.

Use galvanized or black nuts and bolts to match the flange material. Use cadmium-plated steel nuts and bolts underground. Tighten the bolts progressively to prevent unbalanced stress. Consistently maintain approximately same distance between the two flanges at all points around the flanges. Tighten the bolts alternately (180° apart) until they are evenly tight. Draw the bolts right to ensure properly seating the gaskets. Provide Denso, or approved equal, petroleum-based tape wrapping system for nuts and bolts.

Pay particular attention to procedures used in tightening and torqueing flanged joints. Improper methods may result in leakage and require corrective measures. Follow recommended industry standards and guidelines as set forth by the various fabricators and manufacturers.

3.8.5. **Flanged Joints For Use On Ductile-Iron Pipe.** See the requirements of Section 3.8.4., "Flanged Joints for Steel Pipe."

3.9. **Thrust Restraint.** Provide adequate temporary blocking of fittings when making connections to the distribution system and during hydrostatic tests. Provide enough anchorage and blocking to resist stresses and forces encountered while tapping the existing waterline. For new waterlines 16 in. in diameter and larger, provide restraining joints as specified in this section. Provide restrained joint lengths as shown on the plans or as directed. For existing waterlines and waterlines less than 16 in. in diameter, restrain pipe joints with concrete thrust blocks or provide joints as specified in this section.

The length of the restrained joints shown on the plans, assumes that hydrostatic testing will begin upstream and proceed downstream with respect to the normal flow of the water in the pipe. If installation or testing of the pipe differs from this assumption, submit for approval a revised method of restraining the pipe joints upstream and downstream of the device used to test against (i.e., block valve, blind flange, or dished head plug).

3.10. **Electrical Continuity Bonds.**

3.10.1. **General.** Attach the bond wires at the required locations using the Thermite welding process.

3.10.2. **Thermite Welding Methods.** Perform Thermite welding of bond wires to the piping in the following manner:

Ensure the pipe to which the wires will be attached is clean and dry. Use a grinding wheel to remove coating, mill scale, oxide, grease, and dirt from an area approximately 3 in. square. Grind the surface to bright metal.

Remove approximately 1 in. of insulation from each end of the wires to be Thermite welded to the structure, exposing clean, oxide-free copper for welding.

Select the proper size Thermite weld mold as recommended by the manufacturer. Place the wire between the graphite mold and the prepared metal surface. For No. 12 AWG size wires, use a copper sleeve crimped over the wire. Place the metal disk in the bottom of the mold. Place the Thermite weld charge in the mold. Squeeze the bottom of the cartridge to spread ignition powder over the charge.

Close the mold cover and ignite the starting powder with a flint gun. After the exothermic reaction, remove the Thermite weld mold and gently strike the weld with a hammer to remove the weld slag. Pull on the wire to assure a secure connection. If the weld is not secure or the wire breaks, repeat the procedure with a new wire. If the weld is secure, coat bare metal and weld metal with a coal-tar compound. If a polyurethane dielectric coating has been used, use a compatible polyurethane coating.

3.11. **Backfilling.**

3.11.1. **General.** Backfill trenches in accordance with the requirements of Item 400.

Begin backfilling and cleaning up each section of main, i.e., from valve to valve, immediately upon the completing the hydrostatic test, unless otherwise permitted by Engineer, and continue until obtaining a final and complete clean-up of the section. Any portion of the trench that is left open in excess of that required to facilitate hydrostatic testing may be ordered closed by the Engineer.

Use surplus excavated materials in the embankments or dispose of them as directed.

3.11.2. **Backfilling Pipe for Water Mains.**

- 3.11.2.1. **Open Cut.** After the pipe joints are made up and inspected, backfill the trenches with excavated materials or any other backfill material covered by this specification, as approved. Backfill the portion from the spring line of the pipe (or from 6 in. on top of pipe if sand bedding is used) to the top of the trench in maximum lifts of 9 in. loose measurement (provided the trench is not located in sidewalks, roadways, roadway shoulders, driveways, etc. that are being used for automobile or pedestrian traffic). Mechanically compact the backfill material using vibratory equipment, or any other acceptable equipment, so that no settlement occurs. Compact to a density of at least 95% of the maximum dry density, as determined in accordance with Tex-114-E. The Engineer reserves the right to perform compaction tests on an as-needed basis. Compaction by water tamping is prohibited.

Do not allow dirt, clods, or trench sides to fall or rest against the pipe before completing the embedment or backfill.

The allowable materials for backfill are listed in Section 2.15, "Backfill Material."

Continue backfilling and compacting in this manner to the minimum elevation shown in the excavation and backfill diagram.

- 3.11.2.2. **Boring or Augering Pits.** Backfill boring or augering pits with bank run sand up to 1 ft. from the top of the natural ground. For the final 12 in., use backfill consisting of 10 in. of native soil in the bottom and 2 in. of bank run sand just below the grass.

Backfill the portion from the spring line of the pipe to the top of the pit in lifts not exceeding 9 in. (loose measurement). Mechanically compact the backfill by using vibratory equipment, or any other acceptable equipment, so that no settlement occurs. Compact the material to a density of at least 95% of the maximum dry density at optimum moisture content as determined in accordance with Tex-113-E or Tex-114-E. The Utility Owner may perform compaction tests on an as-needed basis. Compaction by water tamping is prohibited.

Do not allow dirt, clods, or auger pit sides to fall or rest against the pipe before completing the embedment or backfill.

The only allowable material for backfill in boring or augering pits is bank run sand, described in Section 2.15, "Backfill Material."

- 3.12. **Valves and Fire Hydrants.** Ensure each valve and fire hydrant is completely closed when placed in the pipe line.

Install valves and hydrants in accordance with AWWA C600, except where modified by this specification. Provide drainage at the base of the hydrant in accordance with AWWA C600.

Set each hydrant at the location and grade indicated by the stakes, and plumb, brace, and install in accordance with AWWA's requirements for fire hydrant installation. If the barrel of a hydrant is to pass through a concrete slab, fit a piece of 1 in. thick pre formed bituminous expansion joint material closely around the section of the barrel passing through the concrete.

Locate the nozzle centerline a minimum of 18 in. above the finish grade.

Place 12 in. x 12 in. yellow indicators (plastic, sheet metal, plywood, or other approved material) on pumper nozzles of new or relocated fire hydrants installed on new mains not in service. Remove indicators after the new main is tested and approved.

- 3.13. **Tapping Sleeves and Valves.**

- 3.13.1. **General.** Install tapping sleeves and valves at the locations and using the sizes shown on the plans. Thoroughly clean the tapping sleeve, tapping valve, and pipe in conformance with the manufacturer's instructions before installing.
- Hydrostatically test the installed tapping sleeve to 150 psig for a minimum of 15 minutes. Inspect the sleeve for leaks, and remedy any leaks before the tapping operation.
- When tapping concrete pressure pipe, size on size, use a shell cutter one standard size smaller than that of the water line being tapped. Do not use Large End Bell (LEB) increases with a next size tap except for existing asbestos-cement pipe.
- 3.13.2. **Installation.** Verify the outside diameter of the pipe to be tapped before ordering the sleeve. Tighten the bolts in the proper sequence to avoid placing undue stress on the pipe. Align the tapping valve properly and attach it to the tapping sleeve. Insert the insulation sleeve into the flange holes of the tapping valve and pipe. Insert the sleeve on pipe side of tapping valve. Do not damage insulation sleeves during the bolt tightening process.
- Make the tap with a sharp shell cutter using the following criteria: For 12 in. and smaller taps use a minimum cutter diameter 1/2 in. less than the nominal tap size. For 16 in. and larger taps, use the manufacturer's recommended cutter diameter.
- Withdraw the coupon and flush the cuttings from the newly-made tap. For 12 in. and smaller taps, wrap the completed tapping sleeve and valve in accordance with this specification.
- For 16 in. and larger taps, apply Denso or approved equal, petroleum-based tape wrapping system around the completed tapping sleeve and valve. Place the concrete thrust block behind the tapping sleeve (not over the tapping sleeve and valve).
- Arrange for the mandatory inspection of the installation before backfilling. Completion of the inspection is not required before backfilling. Backfill in accordance with this specification and as shown on the plans.
- If Asbestos-Cement (AC) Pipe is encountered, follow the Safety Practice outlined in the Asbestos-Cement Pipe Producers Association publication, "Recommended Work Practices for A/C Pipe," and make them "Mandatory Practices" for this project.
- 3.14. **Boxes for Valves.** Cut the cast-iron or ductile-iron pipe to the proper length, then assemble and brace the box as approved. Construct manholes over the operators of butterfly valves for sizes 30 in. and larger.
- Concrete for valve box placement: For locations in new concrete pavement, use the same strength and mix design as that of new pavement. For other locations, use Class "A" Concrete, conforming to the requirements of Item 421.
- Install valve box and riser piping plumbed in a vertical position. Provide 6 in. telescoping freeboard space between the riser pipe top butt end and the interior contact flange of the valve box, for vertical movement damping. Ensure the riser (bell end of pipe) rests on the valve flange, or provide a suitable foot piece to support the riser pipe.
- Set, align, and adjust the valve box so that the lid is level with the final grade.
- Paint the covers of new valve boxes in "Fluorescent Orange" when installed. After completion and approval by the Engineer, repaint the covers in "Black."
- 3.15. **Wet Connections.** Make the wet connections, as directed, in such a manner and at such hours to minimize inconvenience to the public. When the existing mains have been cut or a plug removed for a connection, pursue the work of making the connection without interruption until complete.

If the Contractor proceeds with a wet connection without a complete shut-off, there will be no extra compensation for damages or extra work resulting from the incomplete shut-off.

The Utility Owner will operate gate valves in the existing system and in sections of completed mains that have been placed in service. Notify the Utility Owner at least 48 hr. in advance of making connections.

Wet connections that are 2 in. or smaller are sometimes referred to on the plans as 2 in. standard connections or gooseneck connections.

Items that may be necessary to complete these types of wet connections include corporation cock, saddle, copper tubing, brass fittings, and 2 in. valves. Do not use these connections on or consider them as part of a 2 in. service line.

The Utility Owner will handle, at no cost to the Contractor, operations involving opening and closing valves for wet connections.

- 3.16. **Polyethylene Film Wrap.** Except as noted on the plans, wrap ductile-iron pipe (including fittings and other appurtenances), with a polyethylene film. Also wrap fire hydrant barrels.

Remove lumps of clay, mud, cinders, etc., on the pipe surface before installing the polyethylene encasement. Prevent soil or embedment material from becoming trapped between the pipe and the polyethylene. Fit the polyethylene film to the contour of the pipe to affect a snug, but not tight fit; encase with minimum space between the polyethylene and the pipe. Provide enough slack in contouring to prevent stretching the polyethylene where it bridges irregular surfaces, such as bell-spigot interfaces, bolted joints, or fittings, and to prevent damage to the polyethylene due backfilling operations. Secure overlaps and ends with adhesive tape to hold polyethylene encasement in place until backfilling operations are complete.

For installations below the water table and in areas subject to tidal actions, seal both ends of the polyethylene tube with adhesive tape at the joint overlap.

Repairs: Repair any cuts, tears, punctures, or damage to the polyethylene with adhesive tape or with a short length of polyethylene sheet or cut open tube, wrapped around the pipe to cover the damaged area, and secured in place.

Openings in Encasement: Provide openings for branches, service taps, blow offs, air valves, and similar appurtenances by making an X-shaped cut in the polyethylene and temporarily folding back the film. After the appurtenance is installed, tape the slack securely to the appurtenance and repair the cut, as well as other damaged areas in the polyethylene, with tape. Service taps may also be made directly through the polyethylene. Repair any resulting damaged areas as described above.

Junctions between Wrapped and Unwrapped Pipe: Where polyethylene-wrapped pipe joins an adjacent pipe that is not wrapped, extend polyethylene wrap to cover the adjacent pipe for distance of at least 3 ft. Secure the end with circumferential turns of tape. Wrap service lines of dissimilar metals with polyethylene or suitable dielectric tape for a minimum clear distance of 3 ft. away from cast-iron or ductile-iron pipe..

- 3.16.1. **Tubular Type Wrap.** When the polyethylene film is supplied in tubular form, install it on the pipe before placing the pipe in the trench and in the following manner:

Elevate the spigot end of the pipe, brush mud and debris from the pipe, and slip a length of film (approximately 2 ft. longer than the joint of pipe) over the joint of the pipe. Wrap the film tightly around the spigot end, leaving about 1 ft. extending beyond the end of the pipe, and tape the edge down lightly with polyethylene tape.

When lifting the joint of pipe for placing in the trench, remove any remaining mud, clay, or debris. Insert the spigot end into the bell end of the joint previously placed, push home, and release the pipe into the trench. Pick up the pipe joint at the bell, slide the film to a point back of the bell, and prepare a bell hole.

When laying the next joint, pull the film beyond the bell to overlap the film attached to the spigot of the new pipe joint. Wrap the film by folding it longitudinally and tape it securely in place to prevent damage during backfill. Do not tape the end that is slipped over the last bell but bind it with twine or other approved material.

At each corporation, draw the loose material up around the corporation base and seal it with tape to insulate the 2 dissimilar metals.

Wrap fittings and fire hydrant leads, and tape or bind the wrap with heavy twine. Wrap fittings, such as bends and reducers, similarly to the method outlined above. Wrap specials, such as valves, tees, crosses, etc., by splitting, tucking, and overlapping the polyethylene tube, then closing the field-made splices with the required tape. Material to cover the valves may be acquired from excess overlapping polyethylene tubing on adjacent pipe joints. Draw the polyethylene tubing over the bell of the pipe on either side and insulate with field-made seams as described above. Completely wrap fittings and specials that require concrete blocking, before placing concrete.

- 3.16.2. **Sheet Type Wrap.** Apply sheet type wrap around the pipe either before or after positioning the pipe in the trench. Install "above ground" in a manner similar to that described above for tubular installation. Install "in trench" in a manner similar to that described below:

Cut the polyethylene sheet to a length approximately 2 ft. longer than the pipe section. Center the length to provide a 1 ft. overlap on each adjacent pipe section, bunching it until it clears the pipe ends. Wrap the polyethylene around the pipe so that it circumferentially overlaps the top quadrant of the pipe. Secure the cut edge of the polyethylene sheet at intervals of approximately 3 ft.

Lower the wrapped pipe into the trench and make up the pipe joint with the preceding section of pipe. Make shallow bell holes at joints to facilitate installation of the polyethylene. After completing the joint, make the overlap and secure the ends.

Repair cuts, tears, punctures, or other damage to the polyethylene. Proceed with installing the next section of pipe in the same manner.

- 3.16.3. **Boring or Augering Section Installation.** Use cast-iron or ductile-iron pipe with a polyurethane coating as specified in this Specification.

Provide a final seal against the intrusion of the backfill material by completely encasing the tapping sleeve with sheet vinyl of 8 mil thickness. Apply tape to secure this wrapping, using Polyken No. 900, Scotch Wrap No. 50, or approved equal, manufactured for this purpose.

- 3.17. **Disinfecting Mains and Testing for Leakage.**

- 3.17.1. **Disinfecting Mains.** The Utility Owner will furnish water for disinfecting and flushing without charge to the Contractor.

Furnish the necessary taps, risers, and jumpers of such sizes and materials as are specified by the Engineer, and install the subject material in the locations designated. Normally, each valve section of main will require two 3/4 in. taps; however, on larger mains the Engineer may order that 1-1/2 in. or 2 in. taps and risers be used.

Furnish and install the necessary temporary blind flanges, sleeves, plugs, etc., as required to disinfect and pressure test the new mains.

Use fire hydrants as blow-offs to flush newly constructed waterlines 8 in. diameter and above.

After laying and backfilling the pipe, disinfect the newly laid pipe. Unless otherwise shown on the plans, the Utility Owner will furnish and pay for the labor and materials necessary for the initial application of the disinfecting agent. Slowly fill each valves section of pipe with water and expel the air from the pipe. Furnish

and install taps at the points of highest elevation, if required to accomplish this. After filling the main with water and expelling the air, charge the pipe with the disinfecting agent and allow it to stand for 24 hr. Unless otherwise shown on the plans, the Utility Owner will then flush the main with water. After flushing, draw samples from the main and test for 2 consecutive days at a valid, approved testing facility. After samples are drawn and the test results pass, proceed with the pressure test and any necessary repairs. If the samples do not pass, re-disinfect the pipe until the samples taken are passed by the certified and approved testing facility. Unless otherwise shown on the plans, in the event that more than one disinfection of the main (or portion of the main) is required, the additional disinfection will be charged to the Contractor at rates established by the Utility Owner.

After disinfecting and flushing water lines, bacteriological tests will be performed by the Utility Owner or testing laboratory.

When test results indicate a need for additional disinfection of water lines based on Texas Department of Health requirements, assist Utility Owner with additional disinfection operations.

- 3.17.2. **Testing for Leakage.** Following the first disinfection test, subject the newly laid pipes to a hydrostatic pressure of 125 psi, unless otherwise shown on the plans. Where practicable, test pipe lines in lengths between line valves or plugs, of at most 1,500 ft. unless otherwise approved. Perform the pressure test by means of a pump connected to the pipe in a manner satisfactory to the Engineer. Furnish, install, and operate the necessary connections, pump, meter, and gauges. Before running the pressure test, ensure the meter is tested, sealed, and approved (at the Contractor's expense) by an approved, certified testing facility. Ensure the minimum duration of the test is 8 hr. If a large quantity of water is required to maintain pressure during the test, discontinue testing until the cause of the water loss is identified and corrected.

Observe the following general regulations during each leakage test for cast-iron, ductile-iron, and PVC pipe:

Except for welded steel pipe in which no leakage is permitted, ensure that pipe lines, when subjected to the specified pressure test, do not show leakage in excess of 3.19 gal. per inch of diameter, per mi., in 24 hrs.

Repair portions of the pipe showing visible leaks regardless of the total leakage shown by the pressure test. Remove and replace cracked or defective pipes, fittings, valves, or hydrants discovered by means of this pressure test with sound material. If the main is opened for any reason, re-disinfect it until satisfactory samples are obtained. Also, pressure test it until the requirements of this specification are met.

Immediately upon completing disinfection and pressure testing, remove all taps, risers, and blow-offs, then backfill the remainder of the trench in accordance with the requirements of this specification.

Perform leakage testing at no additional cost to the Department.

- 3.18. **Using Completed Sections of Mains.** The Utility Owner may use and operate portions of the water mains that are disinfected and pass the leakage test. Unless otherwise shown on the plans, operate the valves in such completed sections only with the express permission of the Utility Owner.

The use of the mains is not construed as acceptance of them and does not relieve the Contractor's responsibility for fulfilling the conditions of the contract, unless the mains are damaged due to negligence on the part of the Utility Owner.

- 3.19. **Lowering Mains.** When lowering a main, perform the initial excavation in such a manner to permit the mains to rest on a number of dirt benches. If soil conditions are unsatisfactory for dirt benches, use wooden blocks to support the mains. Then attach the pipe by using ropes, cable, or chains to overhead supports; remove the dirt benches or wooden blocks, and slowly and evenly lower the pipe into position. After lowering the mains, repair each damaged joint as directed.

- 3.20. **Copper Service Line Construction.** The use of Hays-Seal and Mueller Company catalog numbers to describe various fittings is not intended to be proprietary, but merely to indicate clearly the respective types of fittings to be furnished.

- 3.20.1. **Installing Service Lines.** For curb and gutter streets, lay copper service lines with a minimum 30 in. of cover from top of curb to the top of the service line. For crowned streets with open ditches, lay copper service lines with a minimum 30 in. of cover at the crown and with a minimum 18 in. of cover from the flow line of the ditch to the top of the service line. Ensure service line locations are clear of proposed paving and underground work.

Exercise caution to keep the lines free of dirt and foreign matter at all times. Assemble copper lines in an entirely slack position and free of kinks. Use service lines consisting of one continuous run of copper tubing where possible. Do not use bends greater than that originally found in the coil of tubing as packaged.

For 1-1/2 in. and 2 in. copper tubing shipped in straight lengths, use the following bend criteria:

For 2 in. copper tubing, a maximum of one 45° bend may be accomplished in a 4 ft. section; for 1-1/2 in. copper tubing, a maximum of one 45° bend in a 3 ft. section. No kinks, dents, flats, or crimps will be permitted.

Locate meters, in general, 1 ft. into the street right of way. Where this is not applicable, locate meters approximately 1 ft. from the sidewalk on the curb side. If the present meter location conflicts with proposed driveway turnouts or other proposed street improvements, shift the meter to miss the obstruction and reconnect it to the customer's service line. Reset meters at positions such that the top of the meter is 4 in. to 6 in. below the finished grade.

Where the plans call for salvaging and relocating the meter, meter box, and curb stop, remove these materials with care, thoroughly clean them, and submit them for inspection by the Engineer, before installing them in the new location. If the plans call for relocating the meter (other than at some point along the existing service line), a new service line will be required.

Where it is necessary to cross a paved street, push the service line under the paving through a pre-drilled and prepared opening. Use only full lengths of copper tubing, taking care not to damage the tubing when pulling it through the prepared hole.

A compression type union is only permitted when a full 40 ft. (60 ft. for 3/4 in. to 1 in.) length of tubing cannot completely span underneath the pavement. Do not use compression type unions under the paved street.

- 3.20.2. **Installing Corporation Stops.** Tap the main at a location such that a straight line passing through the meter and the corporation stop will be at 90° to the main. Locate taps in the upper portion of the main within 45° of the pipe spring line. Perform the cutting operation with an approved sharp shell cutter tool.

Install taps for service lines conforming to the requirements of Table 12. Space taps a minimum of 2 ft. apart.

Table 12
Service Tap Requirements for Service Lines

Water Main Type and Diameter	Service Size Diameter			
	3/4 in.	1 in.	1-1/2 in.	2 in.
4 in. Cast-Iron or Ductile-Iron	DSS, WBSS	DSS, WBSS	DSS, WBSS	DSS, WBSS
4 in. Asbestos-Cement	WBSS	WBSS	DSS, WBSS	DSS, WBSS
4 in. PVC (AWWA C 900)	DSS, WBSS	DSS, WBSS	DSS, WBSS	DSS, WBSS
6 in. and 8 in. Cast-Iron or Ductile-Iron	DSS, WBSS	DSS, WBSS	DSS, WBSS	DSS, WBSS
6 in. and 8 in. Asbestos-Cement	DSS, WBSS	DSS, WBSS	DSS, WBSS	DSS, WBSS
6 in. and 8 in. Cast-Iron or Ductile-Iron	DSS, WBSS	DSS, WBSS	DSS, WBSS	DSS, WBSS
6 in. and 8 in. PVC (AWWA C900)	DSS, WBSS	DSS, WBSS	DSS, WBSS	DSS, WBSS
12 in. Cast-Iron or Ductile-Iron	DSS, WBSS	DSS, WBSS	DSS, WBSS	DSS, WBSS
12 in. Asbestos-Cement	DSS, WBSS	DSS, WBSS	DSS, WBSS	DSS, WBSS
12 in. PVC (AWWA C900)	DSS, WBSS	DSS, WBSS	DSS, WBSS	DSS, WBSS
16 in. and up Cast-Iron or Ductile-Iron	DWBSS	DWBSS	DWBSS	DWBSS
16 in. and up Asbestos-Cement	DWBSS	DWBSS	DWBSS	DWBSS
16 in. and up PVC (AWWA C900)	DWBSS	DWBSS	DWBSS	DWBSS

DSS – Dual Strap Saddles
WBSS – Wide Band Strap Saddles
DWBSS – Dual Wide Band Strap Saddles

- 3.20.3. **Installing Curb Stops.** Set curb stops or angle stops only at the outer end of the service line just ahead of the meter. Secure the opening in the curb stop to prevent unwanted material from entering. Use eighth bend or quarter bend couplings to accomplish close quarter turns in the service line.

In 3/4 in. and 1 in. services, install a meter coupling or swivel nut meter spud curb stop, ahead of the meter. Also install a straight meter coupling on the outlet end of the meter. Install a new curb stop when the service line is extended.

- 3.20.4. **Sequence of Work.** Open the trench for the proposed service line or prepare the jacking and receiving pits.

Install the corporation stop in a workmanlike manner using the proper equipment.

Install the copper service line and connect it to the corporation stop.

Install the curb stop on the meter end of the service line.

With the curb stop open, and before connecting the service line to the meter, open the corporations stop and flush the service line adequately. Close the curb stop, leaving the corporation stop in the full open position.

Check the service line for apparent leaks. Repair leaks before proceeding.

Connect the service line to the meter and, if necessary, adjust the meter location. Use care to ensure that the inlet side of the meter is connected to the water service line. Momentarily open the curb stop to verify proper registration of the meter.

Backfill the excavations, tamping the backfill material in place to the density of the soil in the adjacent trench walls.

If relocating the meter, relocate the meter box so that it is centered over the meter with the top of the lid flush with the finished grade. When the meter must be located in driveways or sidewalks furnish and install an approved traffic type meter box with a cast-iron lid.

- 3.21. **Cutting and Plugging Water Mains.** Where the plans call for abandoning water mains, adhere to the following general procedure:

After constructing, disinfecting, testing, and placing the replacement main in service, and services are transferred to the replacement main, locate the main to be abandoned, trace it back to the feeder main, and

at this point cut and plug it at the tee. Normally, installing a plug, clamp, and a concrete thrust block does this. In cases of 1-1/2 in. or 2 in. corporation cock or tapping sleeve and valve (TS&V) connections, remove the valve and install a cap or plug at the tee. Ensure the line to be abandoned is not valves off at the nearest valve, nor cut and plugged other than at the supply main.

Adequately plug the ends or openings in abandoned mains or cap them in an approved manner and replace excavation, backfill, and any street surfaces, to the Engineer's satisfaction. Perform this work in accordance with Sections 3.1., "Excavation," and 3.11., "Backfilling."

Remove surface identification, i.e., valve boxes and fire hydrants. Where valve boxes are in improved streets (other than shell), pouring valve boxes full of concrete with the cap permanently removed is permitted.

Do not remove plugs during the months of peak water demands, June, July, and August, unless otherwise approved

- 3.22. **Service Lines of Public Utilities.** Where any pipe or conduit of a public utility corporation crosses the water main trench, support such pipe or conduit in a manner satisfactory to the Engineer.

If the Contractor considers it necessary for a utility company to relocate their utility lines or other improvements, notify the Engineer in advance.

If the Engineer considers it imperative to make the change, the Engineer will make the necessary arrangements with the utility company.

- 3.23. **Relocating Meter Vaults.** Salvage existing valves, meters, and strainers from inside the vault and return them to the Utility Owner, or as designated on the plans.

Install pipe, valves, service lines, and other appurtenances in accordance with the sections of this specification or as directed.

In general, install the type of meter vault shown on the plans or as approved.

- 3.23.1. **Precast Concrete Vault.** Construct and furnish the precast concrete vault as shown on the plans.

Set the precast concrete vault level on a minimum 3 in. bed of sand in an excavation and bring it to grade. Then install piping and backfill with sand around the vault.

- 3.23.2. **Cast-in-Place Concrete Vault.** Construct the cast-in-place concrete vault as shown on the plans. Key the walls to the floor slab and form to the dimensions shown on the plans. Provide a minimum wall thickness of 4 in. Cast the walls monolithically. One cold joint is allowed when the vault depth exceeds 12 ft. Set the frame for the cover while the concrete is still green.

- 3.23.3. **Frame and Cover.** Construct the frame and cover as shown on the plans.

In grass areas, set the frame and cover 2 in. to 3 in. above the natural ground or finished grade and parallel to it (the maximum allowable angle from horizontal is 20°). Slope the backfill away from the meter.

In sidewalk areas, set the frame and cover 1/2 in. to 1 in. above the adjacent concrete and parallel to it. Slope the replacement concrete away from the meter to meet the adjacent concrete.

- 3.23.4. **Inspections.** The following inspections will be made jointly by the Engineer and representatives of the Utility Owner:

- Site Location Inspection - to obtain the required approval of proposed meter location before commencing work.
- Final Inspection – conducted after the backfill is in place, the cover is installed, the cleanup is completed, and the surface is restored.

3.24. **Adjusting Existing Surface Structures.**

- 3.24.1. **Valve Boxes.** Salvage and reuse the valve box. Remove and replace the 6 in. ductile-iron riser pipe with a suitable length for the depth of cover required to establish the adjusted elevation to accommodate the actual finished grade.

Reinstall the valve box and riser piping plumbed in a vertical position. Provide a minimum of 6 in. telescoping freeboard space between the riser pipe top butt end and the interior contact flange of the valve box, for vertical movement damping.

After setting, aligning, and adjusting the valve box so that the top lid is level with the final grade, place a 24 in. by 24 in. by 8 in. thick concrete block around the valve box. Center the valve box horizontally within the concrete box.

- 3.24.2. **Meter Boxes.** Salvage and reuse meter boxes when possible. Reinstall them in conformance with the manufacturer's recommendations. Repair any damage sustained by the meter box during relocation or service transfer, at no expense to the Department.

If the existing meter box requires replacement, the Contractor may obtain a new box from the Utility Owner by providing adequate documentation of the existing and proposed locations.

- 3.24.3. **Meter Vaults.** Adjust meter vaults in conformance with the details shown on the plans. Salvage and reuse access covers.

- 3.25. **Relocating Water Meters and Boxes.** Salvage, clean, inspect, and install existing curb stops, meters, unions, and meter boxes at the new locations in conformance with specifications in this section. When the meter and box is relocated, move it the minimum distance to enable access for new connections. Repair any damage sustained by the meter box during relocation or service transfer, at no expense to the Department.

If unable to salvage the existing boxes, the Contractor may obtain new boxes from the Utility Owner by providing proper documentation of the existing and proposed locations of the meter.

When approved, the Contractor may relocate meter boxes located adjacent to existing pavement, if this operation facilitates construction or decreases the costs. Obtain written approval of the Engineer and perform this work, including excavation, piping, meter box relocation, removal and replacement of paving, etc., at no cost to the Department.

- 3.26. **Installing Split Casing.** Notify the Utility Owner at least 48 hr. in advance of any work planned involving existing water lines. Do not, at any one time, expose more than 20 ft. of water lines to be encased.

Place 6 in. x 6 in. x 1-1/4 in. neoprene pads between the split casing sections and the top and bottom of the water lines spacing them at approximately 6 ft. or as directed.

Ensure the completed and shaped trench to receive the casing is of wide enough to provide free working space for satisfactorily installing the casing and backfilling under and around the casing.

Hold the split casing in place for welding by using hinges, coupling bands, or any other acceptable method.

Use a casing diameter not less than the outside dimension of the pipe at its longest dimension plus 4 in.

Perform welds conforming to the requirements of AWWA Standard C 206. Provide welds capable of developing the full strength of the pipe throughout the joint and casing split.

Seal the ends of the encasement pipe with casing and seals in accordance with Section 2.2.1., "Steel Carrier Pipe," to prevent the entrance of the excessive ground water.

3.27. **Modifications for Cathodic Protection.**

3.27.1. **General.** Provide cathodic protection systems as shown on the plans.

References to steel pipe apply to tape-coated welded steel pipe. If damage occurs to the pipe coatings during the welding process, refurbish the affected area to its original condition.

3.27.2. **Bonded Joints.** Where rubber gasket bell and spigots are provided, provide for bonded joints by either welding a strap or clip between the bell and the spigot of each joint, or by providing a Thermitite-welded cable between the bell and the spigot of each joint. Provide pipes, whether installed in a tunnel or open cut, with bonded joints, except where providing insulating flanges. Where welding joints for thrust restraint, no additional bonding is required.

Bonding Strap or Clip: Provide a strap or clip for bonding the bell to the spigot, that is free of foreign material that could increase the contact resistance between the wire and the strap or clip.

Unless otherwise noted, provide insulation kits at connections to the existing water system, at locations to isolate one type of cathodic system from another type, between the water main and extra piping, or as shown on the plans.

3.28. **Removing and Salvaging Fire Hydrants and Water Meters.** Deliver removed and salvaged fire hydrants and water meters to the Utility Owner at the location shown on the plans, or as directed.

3.29. **Installing the Nonmetallic Pipe Detection System.** Install the nonmetallic pipe detection system concurrently with placing the proposed pipe. Install as specified by the manufacturer and as approved.

3.30. **Removing Water Mains and Removing Water Mains with Casing.** Remove water mains and water mains with casing in accordance with Item 100, or as shown on the plans. This includes removing and disposing of pipe and appurtenances as shown on the plans or as directed. Perform related excavation and backfilling, as required, at no additional cost the Department.

3.31. **Adjusting Manholes.** Perform work in accordance with Item 465. Excavate and backfill in accordance with Item 400. Carefully remove and temporarily store as directed, manhole and inlet rings, covers, plates, and grates to be reused. Clean mortar and grease from the contact areas of reused items. Dispose of unused removed material as directed. Use construction methods described in Sections 479.3.1, "Lowering the Top of a Manhole or Inlet," and 479.3.2, "Raising the Top of a Manhole or Inlet," unless otherwise shown on the plans.

3.31.1. **Lowering the Top of a Manhole or Inlet.** Remove a sufficient depth of brick courses or concrete to permit reconstruction on a batter not exceeding 1 in. horizontal to 2 in. vertical. Where brickwork is present, clean the mortar from the top course of brick. Rebuild the manhole or inlet to the original top dimensions or to the dimensions shown in the plans. Install the manhole or inlet ring and the cover, plate, or grate to conform to the proposed new surface contour.

3.31.2. **Raising the Top of a Manhole or Inlet.** Clean the top surface of brick or concrete. Construct to the proper new elevation using new brick, brick salvaged from other manholes or inlets, prefabricated metal extension rings, concrete rings, or Class A concrete. Install the manhole or inlet ring and the cover, plate, or grate to conform to the proposed new surface contour. Install prefabricated extension rings in accordance with manufacturer's instructions.

4. MEASUREMENT

4.1. **Water Main Pipe and Steel Casing.** Measured by the foot, of the various sizes and types specified. Water mains and casing will be measured along the axis of the pipe and no deductions will be made for valves or fittings. Reducers will be classed as pipe of the size of the larger end.

Unless otherwise shown on the plans, Fire Hydrant Branches (Leads) will be measured by the foot, of the various types and installation methods specified, along the axis of each branch (lead) from the hydrant to the end of the branch (lead). No deductions will be made for valves or fittings.

- 4.2. **Split Steel Casing.** Measured by the foot, of the various sizes shown on the plans.
- 4.3. **Fiberglass Reinforced Plastic (FRP) Pipe for Casing.** Measured by the foot, of the various sizes shown on the plans.
- 4.4. **Jacking, Tunneling, Boring, or Augering.** Jacking, Tunneling, Boring, or Augering for water mains and steel casing will be measured by the foot, of the sizes, types, and wall thickness (applicable only for casing) specified.
- Jacking, Tunneling, Boring, or Augering for fire hydrant branches (leads) will be measured by the foot, of the various types specified.
- 4.5. **New Copper Service Lines.** Measured by each service line installed.
- Short Side service line refers to service connections made to meters located on the same side of the street as the supply main is located. Long Side service line refers to service connections made to meters located on the opposite side of the street from the supply main, or from the center of the street, where the supply main is located in the center of the street.
- 4.6. **Gate Valves, Tapping Sleeves and Valves, and Butterfly Valves.** Measured by each assembly installed, of the various sizes specified, except that gate valves 20 in. in diameter and smaller, are subsidiary to the water lines.
- 4.7. **Fire Hydrants.** Measured by each assembly installed, including a 6-in. gate valve and box, regardless of depth. It is the Contractor's responsibility to install the fire hydrant assembly such that it meets the standard installation requirements of this specification and the manufacturer's specifications.
- Fire Hydrant Branches (Leads) will be measured as indicated in Sections 4.1., "Water Main Pipe and Steel Casing" and 4.4., "Jacking, Tunneling, Boring, or Augering."
- 4.8. **Meters and Vaults.** Measured by each assembly constructed.
- 4.9. **Air Release and Vacuum Relief Valves.** Measured by each assembly, of the various sizes, with the valve box installed.
- 4.10. **Pressure Reducing Stations.** Measured by the lump sum unit constructed.
- 4.11. **Blow Off Valves.** Measured by each assembly, of the various sizes and types, with the valve box installed.
- 4.12. **Removing Fire Hydrants.** Measured by each assembly removed and disposed of properly.
- 4.13. **Removing Water Valves and Boxes.** Measured by each assembly removed and disposed of properly.
- 4.14. **Removing and Relocating Meters and Boxes.** Measured by each assembly removed, cleaned, and installed at the new location.
- 4.15. **Removing Meters and Vaults.** Measured by each assembly removed and disposed of properly.
- 4.16. **Removing and Salvaging Water Meters.** Measured by each assembly removed and salvaged.
- 4.17. **Removing and Salvaging Fire Hydrants.** Measured by each assembly removed and salvaged.

- 4.18. **Removing and Relocating Water Meters and Meter Vaults.** Measured by each assembly removed and relocated.
- 4.19. **Adjusting Meter Vaults.** Measured by each assembly adjusted.
- 4.20. **Adjusting Meter Boxes.** Measured by each assembly adjusted.
- 4.21. **Adjust or Relocate Water Meter.** Measured by each assembly adjusted or relocated.
- 4.22. **Lowering Water Mains.** Measured by the foot, of the sizes and types of pipe lowered.
- 4.23. **Cutting and Plugging Water Mains.** Measured by each location a water main is cut and plugged, of the sizes indicated.
- 4.24. **Removing Pressure Reducing Stations.** Measured by each complete pressure reducing station removed.
- 4.25. **Wet Connections.** Measured by each connection, of the sizes specified.
- 4.26. **Extra Hand Excavation or Extra Machine Excavation.** Measured by the cubic yard in its original position. Excavation performed by manual labor at the locations specifically designated by the Engineer, and which is not included under or subsidiary to other bid items contained in this specification, is considered Extra Hand Excavation or Extra Machine Excavation.
- 4.27. **Adjusting Manholes.** Adjusted manholes will be measured as each manhole adjusted.

5. PAYMENT

The work performed and materials furnished in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under "Measurement" will be paid for at the unit prices bid for the items of work described below. These prices are full compensation for furnishing, hauling, placing, and installing the materials; for inspecting and testing; and for other materials, labor, equipment, tools, and incidentals.

- 5.1. **Water Main Pipe and Steel Casing.** Payment for water main pipe, and steel casing will be made at the unit prices bid for "Water Main Pipe (Cast-Iron)," "Water Main Pipe (Steel)," "Water Main Pipe (Ductile Iron)," "Water Main Pipe (Copper)," "Water Main Pipe (Polyvinyl Chloride)(PVC)," and "Casing (Steel)," of the various sizes and types specified, installed by the open-cut method.
- Unless otherwise shown on the plans or specifications, excavating, disposing of unsuitable excavated material, backfilling, and the material for backfill, for the complete installation of the water main system, are subsidiary to this bid Item.
- 5.2. **Split Steel Casing.** Payment for split steel casing will be made at the unit price bid for "Split Steel Casing," of the various sizes specified, installed by the open cut method.
- 5.3. **Fiberglass Reinforced Plastic (FRP) Pipe for Casing.** Payment for Fiberglass Reinforced Plastic (FRP) Pipe for Casing will be made at the unit price bid for "Fiberglass Reinforced Plastic (FRP) Pipe for Casing" of the various sizes specified.
- 5.4. **Jacking, Tunneling, Boring, or Augering.** Payment for jacking, tunneling, boring, or augering water main will be made at the unit price bid for "Jacking, Tunneling, Boring, or Augering (Water Main)," of the sizes and types specified. This price includes furnishing the pipe.

Payment for jacking, tunneling, boring, or augering fire hydrant branches (leads) will be made at the unit price bid for "Jacking, Tunneling, Boring, or Augering Fire Hydrant Branch (Lead)(6 in.)," of the types and installation method specified. This price includes furnishing the pipe.

Payment for jacking, tunneling, boring, or augering steel casing will be made at the unit price bid for "Jacking, Tunneling, Boring, or Augering Casing (Steel)," of the sizes, types, and wall thickness (applicable only if exceeding minimum thickness, shown in Section 2.2.2, "Steel Casing Pipe") specified. This price includes the casing. Water mains and fire hydrant branches (leads) placed in the casing will be paid for by the appropriate bid item.

Excavating, backfilling, backfill material, and disposing of unsuitable excavated material for jacking, tunneling, boring, or augering pits are subsidiary to these bid items.

- 5.5. **New Copper Service Lines.** Payment for copper service lines will be made at the unit price bid for "Service Line (Short Side 5/8 in. to 1 in.)," "Service Line (Long Side 5/8 in. to 1 in.)," "Service Line (Short Side 1-1/2 in. to 2 in.)" and "Service Line (Long Side 1-1/2 in. to 2 in.)," installed. This price is full compensation for labor, materials, excavation, and backfill required to install the facility, including connection to the customer's service line.
- 5.6. **Gate Valves, Tapping Sleeves and Valves, and Butterfly Valves.** Payment for gate valves (larger than 20 in. in diameter), tapping sleeves and valves, and butterfly valves will be made at the unit price bid for "Gate Valve," "Tapping Sleeve and Valve," and "Butterfly Valve," of the various sizes specified, with the valve box installed.
- 5.7. **Fire Hydrants.** Payment for fire hydrants will be made at the unit price bid for "Fire Hydrant Assembly," including 6 in. gate valve and box, installed regardless of barrel depth.
- Payment for fire hydrant branches (leads) will be made at the unit price bid for "Fire Hydrant Branch (Lead) (6 in.," installed by the open-cut method.
- Any adjustment required either in the flow line of the water main or to the barrel length of the fire hydrant is subsidiary to this bid item.
- 5.8. **Meters and Vaults.** Payment for meters and vaults will be made at the unit price bid for "Meter and Vault" constructed.
- 5.9. **Air Release and Vacuum Relief Valves.** Payment for air release and vacuum relief valves will be made at the unit price bid for "Air Release and Vacuum Relief Valve," of the various sizes specified, with the valve box installed.
- 5.10. **Pressure Reducing Stations.** Payment for pressure reducing stations will be made at the unit price bid for "Pressure Reducing Station." This price is full compensation for performing the necessary excavation, backfill, finish grading, constructing the concrete structure, and furnishing and installing station appurtenances addressed under Article 2, "Materials," of this specification.
- 5.11. **Blow Off Valves.** Payment for blow off valves with boxes will be made at the unit price bid for "Blow Off Valve" of the various sizes and types specified, with the valve box installed.
- 5.12. **Removing Fire Hydrants.** Payment for removing fire hydrants will be made at the unit price bid for "Removing Fire Hydrant." This price includes removing valves from the existing location, disposing of the valves, and plugging at the tee. Excavation and backfill required for removing fire hydrants are subsidiary to this bid item.
- 5.13. **Removing Water Valves and Boxes.** Payment for removing water valves and boxes will be made at the unit price bid for "Removing Water Valve and Box." Excavation and backfill required for removing water valves and boxes are subsidiary to this bid item.
- 5.14. **Removing and Relocating Meters and Boxes.** Payment for removing and relocating meters and boxes will be made at the unit price bid for "Removing and Relocating Meter and Box."

- 5.15. **Removing Meters and Vaults.** Payment for removing meters and vaults will be made at the unit price bid for "Removing Meter and Vault." This includes salvaging the meter strainers and valves and delivering them to their owner at the location shown on the plans or as directed.
- 5.16. **Removing and Salvaging Water Meters.** Payment for removing and salvaging water meters will be made at the unit price bid for "Removing and Salvaging Water Meter." This price includes removing salvaged water meters from the existing locations and delivering them to the owner. Excavation, backfill, and finish grading required for removing the water meters are subsidiary to this bid Item.
- 5.17. **Removing and Salvaging Fire Hydrants.** Payment for removing and salvaging fire hydrants will be made at the unit price bid for "Removing and Salvaging Fire Hydrant." The salvaging of fire hydrants will be a cash reimbursement to the owner by the Contractor where the fire hydrants will become the property of the Contractor or the Contractor will deliver the fire hydrants to the Utility Owner at the location shown on the plans. Excavation, backfill, and finish grading required for removing fire hydrants are subsidiary to this bid Item.
- 5.18. **Removing and Relocating Water Meters and Meter Vaults.** Payment for removing and relocating water meters and meter vaults will be made at the unit price for "Removing and Relocating Water Meter and Meter Vault."
- 5.19. **Adjusting Meter Vaults.** Payment for adjusting meter vaults will be made at the unit price bid for "Adjusting Meter Vault." This price is full compensation for furnishing the required materials, including backfill as required, excavation, tools, labor, equipment, and incidentals.
- 5.20. **Adjusting Meter Boxes.** Payment for adjusting meter boxes will be made at the unit price for "Adjusting Meter Box."
- 5.21. **Adjust or Relocate Water Meter.** Payment for adjusting or relocating water meters will be made at the unit price for "Adjusting or Relocating Water Meters." This price is full compensation for adjusting or relocating water meters. Miscellaneous fittings required to complete the work will not be paid for directly, but will be subsidiary to this Item unless otherwise shown on the plans. Water line sterilization and testing of the completed water main system is considered subsidiary to this Item.
- 5.22. **Lowering Water Mains.** Payment for lowering water mains will be made at the unit price bid for "Lowering Water Mains," of the sizes and types of pipe lowered. This price is full compensation for lowering and adjusting pipes, as well as any connected valves, boxes, and service lines. Excavation and backfill required for lowering water mains are subsidiary to this bid Item.
- 5.23. **Cutting and Plugging Water Mains.** Payment for cutting and plugging water mains will be made at the unit price bid for "Cut and Plug Water Main," of the sizes indicated. This price is full compensation for performing excavation, backfill, finish grading, and other incidental items required to abandon or cut and plug the water main as set forth this specification. Where grout is required, as shown on the plans, it is subsidiary to this bid Item.
- 5.24. **Removing Pressure Reducing Stations.** Payment for removing pressure reducing stations will be made at the unit price bid for "Removing Pressure Reducing Station." This price is full compensation for performing the necessary excavation, backfill, finish grading, pipe removal, structure removal, and for tools, equipment, and incidentals.
- 5.25. **Wet Connections.** Payment for wet connections will be made at the unit price bid for "Wet Connections," of the sizes specified.
- 5.26. **Extra Hand Excavation or Extra Machine Excavation.** Payment for extra hand excavation or extra machine excavation will be made at the unit price bid for "Extra Hand Excavation" or "Extra Machine Excavation." This price is full compensation for labor, hand tools, machines, dewatering, and handling and properly disposing of any excess excavated material not suitable for bedding or backfill for this project.

5.27. **Adjusting Manholes.** The work performed and materials furnished in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under "Measurement" will be paid for at the unit price bid for "Water Main (Adj Exist Manhole)." This price is full compensation for replacement of Air Release / Vacuum Release Valve and installation of the Standard Bollards as shown on the plans; for materials including backfill as required, and for excavation, tools, equipment, labor, and incidentals.

Trench excavation protection or temporary special shoring for trenches greater than 5 ft. in depth, or sloping the sides of these trenches to preclude collapse, will be measured and paid for as required by Item 402, "Trench Excavation Protection," or Item 403, "Temporary Special Shoring."

Furnishing and placing bedding material is subsidiary to the various bid items.

Providing fittings, including necessary concrete thrust blocking, pipe clamps, nipples, pipe coatings, and lubricants, etc. is subsidiary to the water mains in which they are installed.

In addition, providing fittings required due to plan changes or alterations in line and grade, is subsidiary to the water mains in which they are installed.

Furnishing and installing taps, risers, jumpers, blind flanges, cast-iron sleeves, plugs, reducers etc., as required to disinfect and pressure test the new mains is subsidiary to the various bid items. In addition, necessary excavation and backfill, site grading, and maintenance until completion of pressure testing are subsidiary to the various bid items.

Unless otherwise shown on the plans, the work performed and materials furnished to support the pipes or conduits of public utilities are subsidiary to the various bid items.

Furnishing and installing the nonmetallic pipe detection system, as well as the labor and materials necessary for the system, is subsidiary to the various bid items. In addition, ensure that the detection system is complete, operational, and satisfactory to the Utility Owner.

Adjusting valve boxes is subsidiary to the various bid items.