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GENERAL NOTES

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AVAILABILITY OF ELECTRONIC FILES

Micro Station and GEOPAK files of this project will be made available to the Contractor. If there is a conflict between the electronic files and the printed contract plans and documents, the printed contract plans and documents shall take precedence over the electronic files.

The Contractor shall accept all risk associated with using the electronic files and shall hold the Department harmless for any errors or omissions in the electronic files and the data contained therein. Errors or delays resulting from the use of the electronic files by the Contractor shall not result in an extension of time for any interim or final completion date or shall not be considered cause for additional compensation. The Contractor shall not use, share, or distribute these electronic files except for the purpose of constructing this contract. Any claims by third parties due to use or errors shall be the responsibility of the Contractor. The Contractor shall include this disclaimer with the transfer of these electronic files to any other parties and shall include appropriate language binding them to similar responsibilities.

UTILITIES - LOCATIONS /INFORMATION ON PLANS

The locations of existing water mains, gas mains, sewers, electric power lines, telephone lines and other utilities as shown on the plans are based on careful field investigation and the best information available, but they are not guaranteed. Unless elevations are shown —— all utility locations shown on the cross sections are based on the approximate depth supplied by the utility company. It shall be the Contractor's responsibility to ascertain their exact location from the utility companies and by field inspection.

TREE REMOVAL - UTILITY RELOCATION

Tree removal may be necessary prior to utility companies being able to relocate their facilities outside the construction limits. The Contractor should coordinate any contract tree removal activities with the utility companies to eliminate conflicts and potential delays caused by utility tree removal activities or incomplete utility relocations.

PLAN ELEVATIONS - U. S. G. S. MEAN SEA LEVEL DATUM

Use one of the following two options.

- 1. All elevations shown on the plans are established from U.S.G.S. mean sea level datum.
- 2. All elevations shown refer to U.S.G.S. datum at mean sea level unless otherwise noted.

COMMITMENTS

Commitments are not to be altered without the written approval of all parties to which the commitment was made.

A Nationwide 404 Permit Type #14 has been approved for this project.

TREE REMOVAL

The District Four Tree Committee should be contacted and prior approval obtained for any tree removal beyond the limits/locations included in the plans.

BRIDGE OVERLAY NOTIFICATION

After placement of the bridge deck overlay, the Resident Engineer shall notify the District Bridge Maintenance Engineer of the "as constructed" milling depth and overlay thickness for updating the Illinois Highway Information System.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEWS

Prior to the use of any proposed borrow areas, use areas (temporary access roads, detours, run—arounds, etc.) and/or waste areas, the Contractor shall file the required environmental resource request surveys according to Section 107.22 of the Standard Specifications. These surveys are required in order for the Department to conduct cultural and biological resource surveys for the proposed site.

Prior to any waste materials being removed from the construction site the required environmental resource surveys will need to be obtained and filed by the Contractor. Excess waste products removed from the construction site shall be disposed of as required in Section 202.03 of the Standard Specifications.

Any protruding metal bars shall be removed prior to the disposal of broken concrete at approved disposal sites.

The required environmental resource documentation shall include the following:

- * BDE Form 2289 (Environmental Survey Request)
- * A location map showing the size limits and location of the use area
- * Signed property owner agreement form
- * Color photographs depicting the use area

Please note that a minimum of two weeks shall be allowed for the District to obtain the required environmental clearances.

SEEDING - SIDE SLOPE RIPPING

All slopes steeper than 3 to 1 and over 4.5 m (15 ft.) in height shall be ripped. This shall consist of ripping between 450 mm to 600 mm (18 inches to 24 inches) deep normal to the slope. The interval of ripping along the slope shall be 3.6 m (12 ft.). This work shall be done after the seed bed has been prepared but before any fertilizer or seed has been applied. The fertilizer and seed shall be applied within a 24-hour period after the ripping has been done. This work will not be paid for separately but will be included in the cost of the various items of seeding involved.

AGGREGATE (DESCRIPTION), TYPE B

Aggregate (Description), Type B shall be required for all granular construction of side roads, entrances, and mailbox turnouts, whether or not portions of the surfaces thus constructed are to be covered with a bituminous surface, except where noted differently on the plans.

AGGREGATE FOR DRIVEWAY REPLACEMENT

The material used for construction of permanent aggregate driveways shall be gravel or crushed stone as directed by the Engineer, to replace in kind the existing aggregate driveways.

No additional compensation shall be provided for this requirement but shall be considered as included in the cost of the pay item for the aggregate as specified on the plans.

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