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## Notice to Bidders, Specifications and Proposal



**Illinois Department  
of Transportation**

**Contract No. 62K58  
Various Counties  
Section 2019-185-I  
Various Routes  
District 1 Construction Funds**

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- 1. TIME AND PLACE OF OPENING BIDS.** Electronic bids are to be submitted to the electronic bidding system (iCX-Integrated Contractors Exchange). All bids must be submitted to the iCX system prior to 10:00 a.m. March 6, 2020 prevailing time at which time the bids will be publicly opened from the iCX SecureVault.
- 2. DESCRIPTION OF WORK.** The proposed improvement is identified and advertised for bids in the Invitation for Bids as:

**Contract No. 62K58  
Various Counties  
Section 2019-185-I  
Various Routes  
District 1 Construction Funds**

**Dead tree removal along expressways and arterial routes within District One.**

- 3. INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS.** (a) This Notice, the invitation for bids, proposal and letter of award shall, together with all other documents in accordance with Article 101.09 of the Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction, become part of the contract. Bidders are cautioned to read and examine carefully all documents, to make all required inspections, and to inquire or seek explanation of the same prior to submission of a bid.  
  
(b) State law, and, if the work is to be paid wholly or in part with Federal-aid funds, Federal law requires the bidder to make various certifications as a part of the proposal and contract. By execution and submission of the proposal, the bidder makes the certification contained therein. A false or fraudulent certification shall, in addition to all other remedies provided by law, be a breach of contract and may result in termination of the contract.
- 4. AWARD CRITERIA AND REJECTION OF BIDS.** This contract will be awarded to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder considering conformity with the terms and conditions established by the Department in the rules, Invitation for Bids and contract documents. The issuance of plans and proposal forms for bidding based upon a prequalification rating shall not be the sole determinant of responsibility. The Department reserves the right to determine responsibility at the time of award, to reject any or all proposals, to readvertise the proposed improvement, and to waive technicalities.

By Order of the  
Illinois Department of Transportation

Omer Osman,  
Acting Secretary

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FOR  
SUPPLEMENTAL SPECIFICATIONS  
AND RECURRING SPECIAL PROVISIONS

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### SPECIAL PROVISIONS

The following Special Provisions supplement the "Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction," adopted April 1, 2016, the latest edition of the "Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices for Streets and Highways," and the "Manual of Test Procedures for Materials" in effect on the date of invitation for bids, and the Supplemental Specifications and Recurring Special Provisions indicated on the Check Sheet included herein which apply to and govern the construction of Various Routes, Section 2019-185-I, Various Counties, Contract No. 62K58 and in case of conflict with any part or parts of said Specifications, the said Special Provisions shall take precedence and shall govern.

Various Routes  
Section 2019-185-I  
Various Counties  
Contract No. 62K58

### LOCATION OF PROJECT

This work is located within the right-of-way limits of state-maintained routes located in District One (counties of Cook, DuPage, Kane, Lake, McHenry, and Will) as determined by the Department.

### DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT

The work to be performed and completed under this contract consists of pruning and/or removing dead, dying, diseased, and hazardous trees and limbs, while providing proper traffic control on a work order basis. Contract work will be described in an issued work order from the Department of Transportation. The need and locations of any removals are random in nature.

### COMPLETION DATE

The Contractor shall schedule his/her operations in order to complete all work orders issued from the date of execution to November 30, 2022, including all clean-up work on or before November 30, 2022.

The provisions of Article 108.09 of the Standard Specifications shall apply for this contract's completion date.

## EQUIPMENT

The Contractor shall comply with all OSHA, federal, state, local, and professional tree care industry regulations and safety standards.

The Contractor's personnel shall be required to wear high visibility vests, hard hats, ear/eye protection, and all appropriate safety belts and/or harnesses when performing any function relative to this contract. Appropriate safety gear shall be worn at all times.

The Contractor shall have sufficient equipment, in good working condition, to perform work in an expedient manner. All equipment shall display proper safety markings, working lights, and shall have in place all safety guards, shields, and protective covers.

After the contract has been awarded, the Engineer reserves the right to inspect the Contractor's equipment. The Contractor must have in their possession or have available to them by formal agreement at the time the contract has been awarded:

- Handheld Equipment: Chainsaws, handsaws, hand pruners, pole pruners (powered or manual), brush cutter, hedge trimmers, tree loppers, hydraulic tools
- Vehicles: Chipper truck, aerial bucket truck with outrigger pads/mats and vehicle exhaust mats, log truck, mobile crane
- Off Road Equipment: Brush chipper (minimum 12-inch capacity), whole tree chipper, stump grinders (tow behind and self-propelled), skid steer with cutting or mowing attachments and grapple, mini skid steer, loader, forestry mulcher, feller buncher, tree skidder, forestry mower
- Traffic Control Equipment: Category 4 Arrow board, cones, barricades, barrels, signs, flagging equipment, Category 3 crash cushions (impact attenuators), truck mounted attenuators
- Arborist Protection Equipment: All applicable Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), fall protection equipment, helmet, Class 2 safety vest, chain saw boots and/or steel toed boots



## **LAYOUT MATERIALS**

The Contractor shall furnish the necessary wooden lathe, flags of various colors, ribbon of various colors, and spray paint required for the delineation and marking of work through the duration of the contract. The paint and ribbon shall be of the color(s) as specified by the Engineer. The Contractor shall provide the requested items within seven (7) working days after the Engineer's request. These will not be paid as separate items, but the costs shall be considered as included in the contract prices for landscape items. No additional compensation will be allowed.

**At the time of the preconstruction meeting, the Contractor shall provide two (2) cases of neon pink spray paint, one (1) box of neon green ribbon, and one (1) box of neon pink ribbon to the Engineer.**

## **CONTRACTOR'S SUPERINTENDENT AND CONTRACT COORDINATION**

The Contractor shall designate a superintendent to serve as the key contact person to work with the Engineer at all times in accordance with Article 105.06. The superintendent shall attend progress meetings with the Engineer either at the Engineer's office or at a mutually agreed upon location. Work orders shall be reviewed and returned to the Engineer in a timely manner. The superintendent shall monitor the daily activities of the contract and be available to discuss and respond to any problems that may arise. At the request of the Engineer, the Contractor shall provide a cell phone number where the superintendent may be reached during working hours.

**The Contractor shall provide a weekly schedule of any proposed work and an assigned traffic control plan for each work location for the upcoming week.** The following information shall be provided on the weekly schedule:

- Scheduled day of the work order
- Traffic control plan
- Start time
- If multiple work orders are scheduled for one calendar day, communicate the order of the work orders

The Contractor's weekly submittal to the Resident Engineer shall be received by Wednesday at 5 P.M.

The Contractor's superintendent shall notify the Resident Engineer the estimated time of arrival by phone the day before work operations are to begin. The Contractor shall notify the Engineer at least twenty-four (24) hours in advance of either discontinuing or resuming operations on all work orders.

The services of this person shall be included in the contract. No additional compensation shall be allowed.

## **CONTRACTOR'S ARBORIST**

An International Society of Arboriculture (ISA) Certified Arborist shall be on site during all tree pruning, limb removal, and tree removal by the acre. The services of this person shall be included in the contract. No additional compensation shall be allowed.

**The ISA Certified Arborist shall attend the preconstruction meeting and submit his/her current license to the Engineer.**

## **PROSECUTION OF THE WORK**

The Engineer will issue a work order to the Contractor prior to the Contractor proceeding with any type of work on this contract. Samples of the work order forms are included in the plans.

## **INTERPRETATION OF QUANTITIES AND PAYMENT**

The quantities in the Summary of Quantities are estimated quantities of contract pay items that may be required during the Term of Contract. Agreement to plan quantities will not be allowed.

The quantities in the Summary of Quantities may either be increased, decreased, or deleted. Adjustment in contract unit prices will not be made due to either an increase, decrease, or deletion of pay items.

Quantities shall be documented on work orders. Quantities shown on work orders are based on GIS/GPS technology or other standard methods.

If the Contractor determines that a tree has already been trimmed or removed after the work order has been issued, the Contractor is to notify the Engineer and no payment will be made. Contractor's signature of completion on a work order shall constitute his/her agreement to quantities specified on the work order.

Payment for the work under this contract shall be made according to the schedule of prices in the contract and as herein after described. Prices shall include all labor, materials, and equipment necessary to complete the work satisfactorily. Before any payment for work is authorized for a given work order, all work must be completed satisfactorily including clean-up. In addition, the Contractor shall provide a summary with the following information: contract number, work order number, pay item, quantity, and unit price, to the Engineer.

The Contractor is hereby informed and shall understand that payment will be made only for actual quantities utilized and accepted as satisfactory.

## **WORK ORDER**

Written authorization of work will be described on work order forms established for this contract. Samples of these work orders forms are included in this contract. The Engineer may issue multiple concurrent work orders. The Contractor shall provide sufficient labor and equipment as necessary to complete authorized work in accordance with Article 108.06. Scope of work is not limited to what is described in the work orders but also includes proper traffic control, clean-up of work location, proper removal and disposal of tree work.

The Engineer will assign the work to be done as a written work order. All work orders shall be issued by the Engineer to the Contractor either by email (electronic version), or in person at the Engineer's field office or at a location approved by the Engineer. The electronic version is for informational purposes. The original work order will only be accepted with the appropriate wet signatures for the process of payment once the work is completed.

All work orders will be made out and signed by the Engineer based on the needs of the Department. A work order will show the date authorized to the Contractor, work order number, class of work, location, item description and quantity of work to be completed. Only the amount of work shown on the work order is to be done by the Contractor. If at the time the work is being done, additional work is found and needed, prior approval must be obtained from the Engineer before work is done.

No work of any kind is to be performed by the Contractor unless s/he possesses a written work order authorizing the work. Any additional work or unauthorized work done by the Contractor, without a prior work order from the Engineer, will not be paid.

There is no guaranteed minimum or maximum amount of work orders issued for this unpredictable nature of work.

If any non-conforming work is observed, the Engineer will issue a punch list to the Contractor. When no punch list is issued by the Engineer, or after the Engineer has determined that all punch list work has been satisfactorily completed, work orders shall be considered complete.

## **CLASS OF WORK**

All classes of work shall be determined by the Engineer and may be required at any time during the Term of Contract.

### **Standard Work**

Standard Work is defined as work that involves those situations where the amount or nature of the tree removal does not pose an immediate hazard to the public. Work of this type shall be grouped generally by locations for efficiency.

### **Completion Date Work**

Completion Date Work is defined as work that involves those situations where the amount or nature of the tree removal does not pose an immediate hazard to the public. Completion Date Work will be labeled and shall be completed within the assigned time frame of date authorized by the Engineer.

### **Expedited Work**

Expedited work is defined as work that is required to correct a condition which the Department deems an immediate hazard to the public as designated by the Engineer to be of such severity that life and/or property are potentially endangered, or is pressing operational need to the Department, and first high priority corrective action is required. Expedited work orders will be labeled and shall be completed within the assigned time frame of date authorized by the Engineer.

## **COMPLETION TIME FOR WORK ORDERS**

### **Standard**

The Contractor shall schedule his/her work operations to complete Standard Work Orders in the order issued and within thirty (30) calendar days after the date authorized, unless otherwise directed in writing by the Engineer.

### **Completion Date**

The Contractor shall schedule work operations to complete Completion Date Work Orders in the order issued by the completion date specified by the Engineer.

### **Expedited**

The Contractor shall schedule work operations to complete Expedited Work Orders in order issued and within the specified time frame (i.e. 24-hour or 48-hour) as designated on the work order.

## **FAILURE TO COMPLETE WORK ORDERS – LIQUIDATED DAMAGES**

Time is of the essence in the completion of each work order issued by the Department. Failure to make timely repairs will endanger the public safety, cause public inconvenience, and subject the Department to public criticism. All work shall be completed within the assigned time frame for each work order. The Contractor understands and agrees that performance will be expected in varying amounts and at various locations designated in the contract in accordance with the work orders authorized by the Engineer.

Should the Contractor fail to complete the work order within the completion time stipulated, the Contractor shall be liable and shall pay to the Department, not as a penalty but as liquidated damages, as specified in the following amounts:

<u>WORK ORDER CLASS</u>	<u>LIQUIDATED DAMAGE AMOUNTS</u>
Standard Work	\$50.00 Per Calendar Day
Completion Date Work	\$50.00 Per Calendar Day
Expedited Work	\$15.00 Per Hour

The Department will deduct these liquidated damages from the monies due or to become due to the Contractor from the Department.

The provisions of Article 108.09 of the Standard Specifications shall apply to contract completion date.

## **CALENDAR DAYS**

**A calendar day is every day shown on the calendar and starts at 12:00 midnight and ends at the following 12:00 midnight, twenty-four (24) hours later.**

A calendar day will be charged for every day shown on the calendar except as follows:

- a) When the temperature or wind chill factor, as officially reported by the United States Weather Bureau at Chicago O'Hare Field, reaches zero degrees Fahrenheit (0°F) or below during any portion of the day.
- b) When weather conditions, emergency conditions, and/or unforeseen highway operational reasons prevent shoulder or lane closures required for the work.
- c) When the Contractor requests and is denied approval from the Illinois Department of Transportation's Expressway Traffic Operations Engineer for lane, ramp, and shoulder closures required for the work on freeways and/or expressways in District One.
- d) During any legal holiday period as defined in Article 107.09.

**If the Contractor is unable to complete a work order request due to extenuating circumstances, a written explanation must be submitted to the Engineer no later than seven (7) days prior to the allotted time frame deadline.** The Contractor must receive written approval from the Engineer for an extension of time per work order. Validity of an extension of time will be determined by the Engineer and may either be approved or denied based on case by case specifics.

## **SCOPE OF TREE REMOVAL**

This work shall be done in accordance with Section 201 of the Standard Specifications for all tree removal pay items (i.e. tree removal, limb removal, tree pruning, stump removal, selective clearing, and modified tree pay items herein). All trees to be removed shall be designated by the Engineer. In most cases, the trees will be previously marked with a painted number.

Any tree to be removed that is trapped within the access control fence shall be cut flush with the fence.

The removal of stumps shall be done with mechanical equipment normally used for this type of operation. The Engineer shall have the authority to determine what is considered acceptable stump removal equipment. Saws, axes and similar items shall not be considered proper equipment for removal of stumps over six (6) inches diameter.

The Engineer shall have the ultimate authority to approve the final condition of slash. Slash is acceptable at a maximum depth of two (2) inches. No slash shall be left in drainage ways and be blocking drainage structures. No slash shall be left in piles.

At all work sites, cleanup shall be done.

### **Clean up:**

- The work area shall be kept free of debris by the Contractor. At no time shall empty herbicide containers, trash, or other material be allowed to accumulate at the project site. Parking areas, roads, sidewalks, paths, drainage ways, and paved areas shall be kept free of woody debris, mud, and dirt.
- All tools, empty containers, and all other debris generated by the Contractor shall be removed after work has been completed.
- Wood chips shall be removed and not blown back onto the site.
- Any damages caused by the Contractor including, but not limited to tire ruts, damage to turf, damage to trails, damage to road pavement, etc. shall be repaired by the Contractor, at the Contractor's own expense.
- In the event any vegetation designated to be preserved is damaged, the Contractor shall notify the Engineer within 24 hours. The Contractor shall be liable for remedying damages to plant material.
- Tree debris, logs, equipment, etc. should not be stored within clear zone.
- All cut trees and shrubs shall be removed off site within 24 hours.

## **RESPROUT HERBICIDE**

Resprout herbicide will be defined as described in special provision Weed Control, Basal Treatment. Herbicide will be included as part of work for the following pay items:

- (X0100018) Tree Removal (Under 6 Units Diameter)
- (20100110) Tree Removal (6 to 15 Units Diameter)
- Tree Removal (6-15 Units Diameter), Expedited
- (20100210) Tree Removal (Over 15 Units Diameter)
- Tree Removal (Over 15 Units Diameter), Expedited
- (X2010310) Tree Removal (Special)
- Tree Removal (Special), Expedited
- (X2010350) Tree Removal, Acres (Special)
- Tree Removal, Acres (Special), Expedited
- (Z0064800) Selective Clearing
- Selective Clearing, Expedited

If the inspection discloses any work as being unsatisfactory after thirty (30) days of active growing, the Engineer will give the Contractor the necessary instructions for correction of same, and the Contractor shall immediately comply with such instructions and correct the unsatisfactory work within fourteen (14) calendar days. No additional compensation will be given. Removal and disposal of resprout growth will not be measured separately but shall be considered included as part of the pay item.

## **INACCESSIBLE STUMPS**

In the event a stump is determined by the Engineer, to be inaccessible to stump removal equipment normally used for this type of operation, the stump shall be treated with a resprout herbicide approved by the Engineer to prevent regrowth from those stumps.

All stumps shall be cut flat with no sharp points, and less than two (2) inches of surrounding grade.

All stumps shall be treated with an approved resprout herbicide mixed with a marking dye within twenty-four (24) hours of the tree being cut to prevent regrowth from those stumps. Contractor's personnel applying the resprout herbicide shall have a valid pesticide applicator license issued by the Illinois Department of Agriculture. The resprout herbicide shall be approved by the Engineer. Resprout herbicide shall be incidental to the cost of TREE REMOVAL pay items.

### **TREE REMOVAL (UNDER 6 UNITS DIAMETER)**

**Description:** This work consists of removing trees under six (6) units diameter defined as saplings. This work shall be in accordance with Section 201 of the Standard Specifications for tree removal, except that stumps are to be removed to a minimum depth of six (6) inches below the natural surface of the ground. All trees to be removed shall be designated by the Engineer. In most cases, the trees will be marked previously with a painted number.

Any tree to be removed that is trapped within the access control fence shall be cut flush with the fence. All stumps shall be treated with an approved resprout herbicide mixed with a marking dye within twenty-four (24) hours of the tree being cut to prevent regrowth from those stumps. Contractor's personnel applying the resprout herbicide shall have a valid pesticide applicator license issued by the Illinois Department of Agriculture. The resprout herbicide shall be approved by the Engineer. Resprout herbicide shall be included in the pay item cost of TREE REMOVAL (UNDER 6 UNITS DIAMETER).

All references to tree removal in the Standard Specifications shall include the item TREE REMOVAL (UNDER 6 UNITS DIAMETER).

**Method of Measurement:** TREE REMOVAL (UNDER 6 UNITS DIAMETER) will be measured per unit of diameter where one unit is equal to one (1) inch.

**Basis of Payment:** This work will be paid for at the contract unit price per unit diameter for TREE REMOVAL (UNDER 6 UNITS DIAMETER). No payment for TREE REMOVAL (UNDER 6 UNITS DIAMETER) will be made until the tree and stump have been completely removed, or in the case of a trapped tree in the access control fence, until the stump has been treated with an approved resprout herbicide. Payment for tree removal shall include the cost of equipment, labor, removal, clean-up, disposal and incidentals required to complete the work as specified herein and to the satisfaction of the Engineer.

### **TREE REMOVAL (6-15 UNITS DIAMETER), EXPEDITED TREE REMOVAL (OVER 15 UNITS DIAMETER), EXPEDITED**

All work, materials, and equipment shall conform to Section 201 of the Standard Specifications except as modified herein. Tree removal work will be designated on expedited work orders. The Contractor shall schedule work operations to complete expedited work orders within the specified time frame (i.e. 24-hour or 48-hour as identified on the work order).

**Method of Measurement:** This work will be measured according to Article 201.10(b)(1).

**Basis of Payment:** This work will be paid for at the contract unit price per unit diameter for TREE REMOVAL (6-15 UNITS DIAMETER), EXPEDITED and TREE REMOVAL (OVER 15 UNITS DIAMETER), EXPEDITED. Payment for tree removal shall include the cost of equipment, labor, removal, resprout herbicide application, clean-up, disposal, and incidentals required to complete the work as specified herein and to the satisfaction of the Engineer.



**TREE LIMB REMOVAL (4-10 INCHES DIAMETER)  
TREE LIMB REMOVAL (OVER 10 INCHES DIAMETER)**

This work consists of removing limbs as required by the Engineer on existing plant material within the right-of-way according to the Section 201 of the Standard Specifications.

A limb will be defined as follows in either case:

- a) Considered any of the main branches arising from the trunk.
- b) Any part of the tree that overhangs into the right-of-way with an origination outside of the right-of-way (i.e. adjacent property)

Prior to beginning limb removal, the Engineer shall mark or otherwise indicate to the Contractor which tree limbs are to be removed. All limb removal shall be performed by an ISA Certified Arborist. The limb shall be removed as close as possible to the branch collar without wounding the trunk of the tree. The branch collar shall not be injured or removed. Limb removal may also be directed by the Engineer due to certain circumstances that may arise.

**Method of Measurement:** Tree Limb Removal will be measured for payment in place as individual limbs are properly removed.

**Basis of Payment:** This work will be paid for at the contract unit price per each for TREE LIMB REMOVAL (4 TO 10 INCHES DIAMETER) and TREE LIMB REMOVAL (OVER 10 INCHES DIAMETER). Payment for tree limb removal shall include the cost of equipment, labor, removal, clean-up, disposal, and incidentals required to complete the work as specified herein and to the satisfaction of the Engineer.

**TREE LIMB REMOVAL (4 TO 10 INCHES DIAMETER), EXPEDITED  
TREE LIMB REMOVAL (OVER 10 INCHES DIAMETER), EXPEDITED**

This work consists of removing limbs as required by the Engineer on existing plant material within the right-of-way according to the Section 201 of the Standard Specifications. Tree limb removal work will be designated on expedited work orders. The Contractor shall schedule work operations to complete expedited work orders within the specified time frame (i.e. 24-hour or 48-hour as identified on the work order).

A limb will be defined as follows in either case:

- a) Considered any of the main branches arising from the trunk.
- b) Any part of the tree that overhangs into the right-of-way with an origination outside of the right-of-way (i.e. adjacent property)

Prior to beginning limb removal, the Engineer shall mark or otherwise indicate to the Contractor which tree limbs are to be removed. All limb removal shall be performed by an ISA Certified Arborist. The limb shall be removed as close as possible to the branch collar without wounding the trunk of the tree. The branch collar shall not be injured or removed. Limb removal may also be directed by the Engineer due to certain circumstances that may arise.

**Method of Measurement:** Tree Limb Removal will be measured for payment in place as individual limbs are properly removed.

**Basis of Payment:** This work will be paid for at the contract unit price per each for TREE LIMB REMOVAL (4 TO 10 INCHES DIAMETER), EXPEDITED and TREE LIMB REMOVAL (OVER 10 INCHES DIAMETER), EXPEDITED. Payment for tree limb removal shall include the cost of equipment, labor, removal, clean-up, disposal, and incidentals required to complete the work as specified herein and to the satisfaction of the Engineer.

### **TREE REMOVAL, ACRES (SPECIAL)**

Project objectives and general requirements:

- 100% removal via mechanical and/or hand cutting methods of woody plant material (trees and shrubs).
- Disposal of all cut trees, shrubs, and chips should be hauled off-site.
- Preservation of all native shrubs and trees that are marked with green flagging.
- Protection of soils from compaction, erosion and disturbance. Restoration of areas disturbed for access by clearing equipment.
- Tree Removal, Acres (Special) shall include removal of typical amounts of litter and debris encountered during tree removal operations.
- Tree Removal, Acres (Special) shall include the use of a forestry mower to manage minor woody vegetation, grind slash, stumps under 6", and any remaining woody plant debris down to the surface of the soil to prepare the site for future native seeding.
- Damages to existing vegetation to remain, such as broken limbs, frayed limbs, or other plantings or roadside appurtenances caused by the Contractor's tree removal or trimming operations shall be repaired at the Contractor's expense to the satisfaction of the Engineer.

### **Project Preparation**

This shall include preparation of a clearing access plan and identification of sensitive natural resources. Mechanical clearing operations shall not begin until the Engineer indicates that ground conditions are appropriate to commence mechanical work.

A site visit prior to work shall be arranged with the Contractor and the Engineer. Extreme care shall be taken when conducting work within the work site to lessen damage to native vegetation to remain.

### **Submittals**

Contractor shall provide the Engineer with a list of herbicides, surfactants, water conditioners, dyes, pH balancers, and other chemicals and adjuvants to be used for implementation of this project.

Prior to commencement of any work, submit to the Engineer a written description of all mechanical equipment and its intended use during the execution of the work.

### **Tree Removal and Initial Cut Stump Treatment**

All cutting of material shall be completed via mechanical (e.g., tracked skid-loaders, forestry mowers) and/or hand cutting (chain saws, clearing saws) methods. Any mechanized clearing equipment must be approved for use on the work site prior to its implementation.

In general, mechanical cutting equipment with all steel tracks or a ground pressure rating of greater than 9.0 psi will not be allowed unless the Contractor can adequately demonstrate that the use of such equipment will not cause adverse rutting/soil compaction to the work site and will not damage the pavement adjacent to the work site.

The Engineer may specify certain areas as "HAND CLEAR ONLY" to be avoided by mechanical equipment or access paths. In these areas, the Contractor is prohibited from using mechanical clearing equipment due to sensitive site conditions.

All woody trees and shrubs over two (2) feet in height of any diameter, including protruding stumps or fallen trees within the defined area shall be removed. Any woody vegetation under two (2) feet in height shall be treated with a foliar herbicide or resprout herbicide.

Branches on remaining trees shall be pruned off up to twelve (12) feet from the ground.

All stumps shall be cut flat with no sharp points, and less than two (2) inches of surrounding grade.

All stumps not removed due to severe slopes or the inaccessibility for stump grinding equipment shall be treated with an approved resprout herbicide mixed with a marking dye within twenty-four (24) hours of the tree being cut to prevent regrowth from those stumps.

All herbicides shall be applied according to the manufacturer's label specifications. Contractor personnel applying the resprout herbicide shall have a valid pesticide applicator license issued by the Illinois Department of Agriculture.

The resprout herbicide shall be approved by the Engineer. Resprout herbicide shall be included in the cost of TREE REMOVAL, ACRES (SPECIAL).

The Contractor shall maintain copies at the project site of all current pesticide herbicide labels and Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) for all chemicals utilized during completion of the work.

**Method of Measurement:** The Contractor will be provided with work orders specifying the quantity of TREE REMOVAL, ACRES (SPECIAL). After thoroughly reviewing field conditions but prior to the commencement of any work, the Contractor must either sign the work order agreeing to the accuracy of quantities or provide a detailed written request to modify the work order. No work shall begin until after the Contractor and Engineer have signed the AUTHORIZATION OF WORK.

If the inspection discloses any work as being unsatisfactory, the Engineer will give the Contractor the necessary instructions for correction of same, and the Contractor shall immediately comply with such instructions and correct the unsatisfactory work within forty-eight (48) hours. Work that is not acceptable on the inspection date will not be measured for payment. Individual areas will not be measured for payment if any portion of the area has not been completed to the satisfaction of the Engineer.

**Basis of Payment:** Tree removal shall be paid for at the contract unit price per acre for TREE REMOVAL, ACRES (SPECIAL). Payment for TREE REMOVAL, ACRES (SPECIAL) shall include the cost of all material, equipment, labor, removal, herbicide application, disposal, cleanup, and incidentals required to complete the work as specified herein and to the satisfaction of the Engineer.

#### **TREE REMOVAL, ACRES (SPECIAL), EXPEDITED**

Project objectives and general requirements:

- 100% removal via mechanical and/or hand cutting methods of woody plant material (trees and shrubs).
- Disposal of all cut trees, shrubs, and chips should be hauled off-site.
- Preservation of all native shrubs and trees that are marked with green flagging.
- Protection of soils from compaction, erosion and disturbance. Restoration of areas disturbed for access by clearing equipment.
- Tree Removal, Acres (Special), Expedited shall include removal of typical amounts of litter and debris encountered during tree removal operations.
- Tree Removal, Acres (Special) shall include the use of a forestry mower to manage minor woody vegetation, grind slash, stumps under 6", and any remaining woody plant debris down to the surface of the soil to prepare the site for future native seeding.
- Damages to existing vegetation to remain, such as broken limbs, frayed limbs, or other plantings or roadside appurtenances caused by the Contractor's tree removal or trimming operations shall be repaired at the Contractor's expense to the satisfaction of the Engineer.
- Tree Removal, Acres (Special), Expedited work will be designated on expedited work orders. The Contractor shall schedule work operations to complete expedited work orders within the specified time frame (i.e. 24-hour or 48-hour as identified on the work order).

### **Project Preparation**

This shall include preparation of a clearing access plan and identification of sensitive natural resources. Mechanical clearing operations shall not begin until the Engineer indicates that ground conditions are appropriate to commence mechanical work.

A site visit prior to work shall be arranged with the Contractor and the Engineer. Extreme care shall be taken when conducting work within the work site to lessen damage to native vegetation to remain.

### **Submittals**

Contractor shall provide the Engineer with a list of herbicides, surfactants, water conditioners, dyes, pH balancers, and other chemicals and adjuvants to be used for implementation of this project.

Prior to commencement of any work, submit to the Engineer a written description of all mechanical equipment and its intended use during the execution of the work.

### **Tree Removal and Initial Cut Stump Treatment**

All cutting of material shall be completed via mechanical (e.g., tracked skid-loaders, forestry mowers) and/or hand cutting (chain saws, clearing saws) methods. Any mechanized clearing equipment must be approved for use on the work site prior to its implementation.

In general, mechanical cutting equipment with all steel tracks or a ground pressure rating of greater than 9.0 psi will not be allowed unless the Contractor can adequately demonstrate that the use of such equipment will not cause adverse rutting/soil compaction to the work site and will not damage the pavement adjacent to the work site.

The Engineer may specify certain areas as "HAND CLEAR ONLY" to be avoided by mechanical equipment or access paths. In these areas, the Contractor is prohibited from using mechanical clearing equipment due to sensitive site conditions.

All woody trees and shrubs over two (2) feet in height of any diameter, including protruding stumps or fallen trees within the defined area shall be removed. Any woody vegetation under two (2) feet in height shall be treated with a foliar herbicide or resprout herbicide.

Branches on remaining trees shall be pruned off up to twelve (12) feet from the ground.

All stumps shall be cut flat with no sharp points, and less than two (2) inches of surrounding grade.

All stumps not removed due to severe slopes or the inaccessibility for stump grinding equipment shall be treated with an approved resprout herbicide mixed with a marking dye within twenty-four (24) hours of the tree being cut to prevent regrowth from those stumps.

All herbicides shall be applied according to the manufacturer's label specifications. Contractor personnel applying the resprout herbicide shall have a valid pesticide applicator license issued by the Illinois Department of Agriculture.

The resprout herbicide shall be approved by the Engineer. Resprout herbicide shall be included in the cost of TREE REMOVAL, ACRES (SPECIAL), EXPEDITED.

The Contractor shall maintain copies at the project site of all current pesticide herbicide labels and Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) for all chemicals utilized during completion of the work.

**Method of Measurement:** The Contractor will be provided with work orders specifying the quantity of TREE REMOVAL, ACRES (SPECIAL), EXPEDITED. After thoroughly reviewing field conditions but prior to the commencement of any work, the Contractor must either sign the work order agreeing to the accuracy of quantities or provide a detailed written request to modify the work order. No work shall begin until after the Contractor and Engineer have signed the AUTHORIZATION OF WORK.

If the inspection discloses any work as being unsatisfactory, the Engineer will give the Contractor the necessary instructions for correction of same, and the Contractor shall immediately comply with such instructions and correct the unsatisfactory work within forty-eight (48) hours. Work that is not acceptable on the inspection date will not be measured for payment. Individual areas will not be measured for payment if any portion of the area has not been completed to the satisfaction of the Engineer.

**Basis of Payment:** Tree removal shall be paid for at the contract unit price per acre for TREE REMOVAL, ACRES (SPECIAL), EXPEDITED. Payment for TREE REMOVAL, ACRES (SPECIAL), EXPEDITED shall include the cost of all material, equipment, labor, removal, herbicide application, disposal, cleanup, and incidentals required to complete the work as specified herein and to the satisfaction of the Engineer.

## **TREE REMOVAL (SPECIAL) – WITHIN NARROW AREAS**

**Description:** This work shall be done in accordance with Section 201 of the Standard Specifications for Tree Removal, except this work shall consist of extensive removal and disposal of trees, shrubs, and brush growing between existing walls and fences in a designated area. Tree Removal (Special) shall include removal of extensive amounts of litter and debris encountered during tree removal operations. Operations shall take place in areas difficult to access (i.e. narrow areas less than three (3) feet wide).

Trees shall be treated with a resprout herbicide approved by the Engineer.

All stumps shall be cut flat with no sharp points, and less than two (2) inches of surrounding grade.

All stumps shall be treated with an approved resprout herbicide mixed with a marking dye within twenty-four (24) hours of the tree being cut to prevent regrowth from those stumps. Contractor's personnel applying the resprout herbicide shall have a valid pesticide applicator license issued by the Illinois Department of Agriculture. The resprout herbicide shall be approved by the Engineer. Resprout herbicide shall be included in the cost of TREE REMOVAL (SPECIAL).

All trees and shrubs to be saved shall be carefully protected as described by Article 201.05 of the Standard Specifications. Vegetation to be saved shall be designated by the Engineer.

Damages to existing vegetation, such as broken limbs, or other plantings or roadside appurtenances caused by the Contractor's tree removal or trimming operations shall be repaired at the Contractor's expense to the satisfaction of the Engineer.

Special equipment may be required to cut weed trees and brush on steep slopes, in narrow areas, and for working around posts, poles, trees, shrubs, along fences and concrete retaining walls and noise walls.

**Method of Measurement:** TREE REMOVAL (SPECIAL) will be measured in units of 1000 square feet. Areas not meeting the satisfaction of the Engineer shall not be measured for payment.

If the inspection discloses any work as being unsatisfactory, the Engineer will give the Contractor the necessary instructions for correction of same, and the Contractor shall immediately comply with such instructions and correct the unsatisfactory work within forty-eight (48) hours. Work that is not acceptable on the inspection date will not be measured for payment. Individual areas will not be measured for payment if any portion of the area has not been completed to the satisfaction of the Engineer.

**Basis of Payment:** Tree removal shall be paid for at the contract unit price per unit for TREE REMOVAL (SPECIAL). Payment for TREE REMOVAL (SPECIAL) shall include the cost of all material, equipment, labor, removal, herbicide application, disposal, cleanup, and incidentals required to complete the work as specified herein and to the satisfaction of the Engineer.

## **TREE REMOVAL (SPECIAL) EXPEDITED – WITHIN NARROW AREAS**

**Description:** This work shall be done in accordance with Section 201 of the Standard Specifications for Tree Removal, except this work shall consist of extensive removal and disposal of trees, shrubs, and brush growing between existing walls and fences in a designated area. Tree Removal (Special) shall include removal of extensive amounts of litter and debris encountered during tree removal operations. Operations shall take place in areas difficult to access (i.e. narrow areas less than three (3) feet wide). Tree Removal, Acres (Special), Expedited work will be designated on expedited work orders. The Contractor shall schedule work operations to complete expedited work orders within the specified time frame (i.e. 24-hour or 48-hour as identified on the work order).

Trees shall be treated with a resprout herbicide approved by the Engineer.

All stumps shall be cut flat with no sharp points, and less than two (2) inches of surrounding grade.

All stumps shall be treated with an approved resprout herbicide mixed with a marking dye within twenty-four (24) hours of the tree being cut to prevent regrowth from those stumps. Contractor's personnel applying the resprout herbicide shall have a valid pesticide applicator license issued by the Illinois Department of Agriculture. The resprout herbicide shall be approved by the Engineer. Resprout herbicide shall be included in the cost of TREE REMOVAL (SPECIAL), EXPEDITED.

All trees and shrubs to be saved shall be carefully protected as described by Article 201.05 of the Standard Specifications. Vegetation to be saved shall be designated by the Engineer.

Damages to existing vegetation, such as broken limbs, or other plantings or roadside appurtenances caused by the Contractor's tree removal or trimming operations shall be repaired at the Contractor's expense to the satisfaction of the Engineer.

Special equipment may be required to cut weed trees and brush on steep slopes, in narrow areas, and for working around posts, poles, trees, shrubs, along fences and concrete retaining walls and noise walls.

**Method of Measurement:** TREE REMOVAL (SPECIAL), EXPEDITED will be measured in units of 1000 square feet. Areas not meeting the satisfaction of the Engineer shall not be measured for payment.

If the inspection discloses any work as being unsatisfactory, the Engineer will give the Contractor the necessary instructions for correction of same, and the Contractor shall immediately comply with such instructions and correct the unsatisfactory work within forty-eight (48) hours. Work that is not acceptable on the inspection date will not be measured for payment. Individual areas will not be measured for payment if any portion of the area has not been completed to the satisfaction of the Engineer.



**Basis of Payment:** Tree removal shall be paid for at the contract unit price per unit for TREE REMOVAL (SPECIAL), EXPEDITED. Payment for TREE REMOVAL (SPECIAL), EXPEDITED shall include the cost of all material, equipment, labor, removal, herbicide application, disposal, cleanup, and incidentals required to complete the work as specified herein and to the satisfaction of the Engineer.

## **PRUNING FOR SAFETY AND EQUIPMENT CLEARANCE**

**Description:** All work, materials, and equipment shall conform to Section 201 of the Standard Specifications except as modified herein.

Pruning will be done on trees where safety and equipment clearance is needed along forest preserves and/or heavily wooded roadsides. All pruning shall be done according to the current ANSI A300 (Part 1) – Pruning standard. Plant material shall be pruned to provide a minimum vertical clearance of 20 ft from the finished surface of the road bed and shoulders. Pruning for sight distance and other safety purposes shall be as shown on the plans or as directed by the Engineer.

If a dead and/or hazardous limb is found to be at a higher elevation than the pruning clearance requirement, the Contractor shall prune the limb and will not be paid separately.

Pruning for Safety and Equipment Clearance will be designated on work orders.

**Method of Measurement:** Pruning for safety and equipment clearance will be measured for per unit of linear feet per traffic direction, where one (1) unit is equal to one hundred (100) linear feet.

The start and end points of measurement will be from outer edge to outer edge of tree as determined by the Engineer. If pruning operations exceed (25) linear feet or more until the next tree canopy to be pruned, measurement will not be considered beyond the edge of canopy. Measurement will continue when pruning operations continue on the next tree canopy is worked on.

**Basis of Payment:** Pruning for Safety and Equipment Clearance will be paid for at the contract unit price per unit linear feet for PRUNING FOR SAFETY AND EQUIPMENT CLEARANCE.

**TREE PRUNING (1 TO 10 INCH DIAMETER), EXPEDITED  
TREE PRUNING (OVER 10 INCH DIAMETER), EXPEDITED**

All work, materials, and equipment shall conform to Section 201 of the Standard Specifications except as modified herein. Tree pruning work will be designated on expedited work orders. The Contractor shall schedule work operations to complete expedited work orders within the specified time frame (i.e. 24-hour or 48-hour as identified on the work order).

**Method of Measurement:** This work will be measured according to Article 201.10(d)(4).

**Basis of Payment:** This work will be paid for at the contract unit price per each for TREE PRUNING (1 TO 10 INCH DIAMETER), EXPEDITED and TREE PRUNING (OVER 10 INCH DIAMETER), EXPEDITED. Payment for tree pruning shall include the cost of equipment, labor, removal, clean-up, disposal, and incidentals required to complete the work as specified herein and to the satisfaction of the Engineer.

**STUMP REMOVAL ONLY**

Special attention is called to this item since the Contractor will, in this case, be required to remove stumps only and associated surface roots. The trees have previously been removed by others. A tree stump that cuts off at a height of 4.4 feet or below will be considered as a stump for the purposes of measurement and removal. All excess chips and debris from this operation shall be removed from State right-of-way.

This work shall be done in accordance with Section 201 of the Standard Specifications for tree removal, except that stumps are to be removed to a minimum of twelve (12) inches below the natural surface of the ground and surface roots shall be ground out.

**Method of Measurement:** Stumps to be removed as a payment item will be measured per unit of diameter, where one unit is equal to one (1) inch, at flush with the ground. Surface roots will not be measured for payment but shall be included in the stump removal.

**Basis of Payment:** Stump removal shall be paid for at the contract unit price per unit diameter for STUMP REMOVAL ONLY. All references to tree removal in the Standard Specifications shall include the item STUMP REMOVAL ONLY. Payment for STUMP REMOVAL ONLY shall include the cost of all material, equipment, labor, removal, disposal, cleanup, and incidentals required to complete the work as specified herein and to the satisfaction of the Engineer.

## **GROUND RESTORATION**

All earth depressions caused by stump removal shall be brought up to existing surrounding grade by filling the depressions with a mixture of earth and wood chips created by the stump removal operations. Any wood chips in excess of that needed to level earth depressions shall be removed from State right-of-way, as directed by the Engineer or unless prior approval by Engineer to place mulch ring around existing trees. This work will not be paid for separately, and the costs shall be considered as included in the contract unit prices for the construction items involved, and no additional compensation will be allowed.

## **SELECTIVE CLEARING**

**Description.** This work shall consist of extensive removal and disposal of shrubs, brush, debris (including rocks, bottles, etc.) and selected trees up to six (6) inches (150 mm) in diameter. Selective clearing shall include removal of typical amounts of litter and debris encountered during tree removal operations. All trees and shrubs to be saved shall be carefully protected as provided by Article 201.05 of the Standard Specifications. Locations for selective clearing and vegetation to be saved shall be designated by the Engineer.

Damages to existing vegetation to remain, such as broken limbs, or other plantings or roadside appurtenances caused by the Contractor's tree removal or trimming operations shall be repaired at the Contractor's expense to the satisfaction of the Engineer.

The undesirable trees and brush (i.e. Siberian Elm, Boxelder, European Buckthorn, Mulberry, etc.) shall be cut flush with the ground. All stumps shall be cut flat with no sharp points, and less than two (2) inches of surrounding grade.

All stumps shall be treated with an approved resprout herbicide mixed with a marking dye within twenty-four (24) hours of the tree being cut to prevent regrowth from those stumps. Resprout herbicide shall be included in the cost of SELECTIVE CLEARING.

All herbicides shall be applied according to the manufacturer's label specifications. Contractor's personnel applying the resprout herbicide shall have a valid pesticide applicator license issued by the Illinois Department of Agriculture.

Branches on remaining trees shall be pruned off up to twelve (12) feet from the ground.

All cleared areas shall be graded, trimmed, smoothed, and finished uniformly to the satisfaction of the Engineer with equipment approved by the Engineer. Disposal of material shall be done in accordance with Article 202.03.

**Method of Measurement.** Selective Clearing will be measured in units of 1,000 square feet (90 square meters). The unit price shall include the cost of all material, equipment, labor, disposal and incidental items required to complete the work as specified herein and to the satisfaction of the Engineer.

If the inspection discloses any work as being unsatisfactory, the Engineer will give the Contractor the necessary instructions for correction of same, and the Contractor shall immediately comply with such instructions and correct the unsatisfactory work. Areas not meeting the satisfaction of the Engineer shall not be measured for payment. Plan quantities are estimates only. Actual quantities will be measured in place. Agreement to plan quantities will not be allowed.

**Basis of Payment:** This work will be paid for at the contract unit price per unit for SELECTIVE CLEARING. Payment for Selective Clearing shall include the cost of all minor grading, debris removal and disposal, trimming, pruning, smoothing, finishing, labor, materials, tools and equipment required to complete the work as specified herein and to the satisfaction of the Engineer.

### **SELECTIVE CLEARING, EXPEDITED**

**Description.** This work shall consist of extensive removal and disposal of shrubs, brush, debris (including rocks, bottles, etc.) and selected trees up to six (6) inches (150 mm) in diameter. Selective clearing shall include removal of typical amounts of litter and debris encountered during tree removal operations. All trees and shrubs to be saved shall be carefully protected as provided by Article 201.05 of the Standard Specifications. Locations for selective clearing and vegetation to be saved shall be designated by the Engineer.

Selective clearing work will be designated on expedited work orders. The Contractor shall schedule work operations to complete expedited work orders within the specified time frame (i.e. 24-hour or 48-hour as identified on the work order).

Damages to existing vegetation to remain, such as broken limbs, or other plantings or roadside appurtenances caused by the Contractor's tree removal or trimming operations shall be repaired at the Contractor's expense to the satisfaction of the Engineer.

The undesirable trees and brush (i.e. Siberian Elm, Boxelder, European Buckthorn, Mulberry, etc.) shall be cut flush with the ground. All stumps shall be cut flat with no sharp points, and less than two (2) inches of surrounding grade.

All stumps shall be treated with an approved resprout herbicide mixed with a marking dye within twenty-four (24) hours of the tree being cut to prevent regrowth from those stumps. Resprout herbicide shall be included in the cost of SELECTIVE CLEARING, EXPEDITED.

All herbicides shall be applied according to the manufacturer's label specifications. Contractor's personnel applying the resprout herbicide shall have a valid pesticide applicator license issued by the Illinois Department of Agriculture.

Branches on remaining trees shall be pruned off up to twelve (12) feet from the ground.

All cleared areas shall be graded, trimmed, smoothed, and finished uniformly to the satisfaction of the Engineer with equipment approved by the Engineer. Disposal of material shall be done in accordance with Article 202.03.

**Method of Measurement.** Selective clearing will be measured in units of 1,000 square feet (90 square meters). The unit price shall include the cost of all material, equipment, labor, disposal and incidental items required to complete the work as specified herein and to the satisfaction of the Engineer.

If the inspection discloses any work as being unsatisfactory, the Engineer will give the Contractor the necessary instructions for correction of same, and the Contractor shall immediately comply with such instructions and correct the unsatisfactory work. Areas not meeting the satisfaction of the Engineer shall not be measured for payment. Plan quantities are estimates only. Actual quantities will be measured in place. Agreement to plan quantities will not be allowed.

**Basis of Payment:** This work will be paid for at the contract unit price per unit for SELECTIVE CLEARING, EXPEDITED. Payment for selective clearing shall include the cost of all minor grading, debris removal and disposal, trimming, pruning, smoothing, finishing, labor, materials, tools and equipment required to complete the work as specified herein and to the satisfaction of the Engineer.

## **GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR WEED CONTROL SPRAYING**

### Experience

The Contractor shall have previous experience with the use of weed control chemicals. He/she shall have had at least three (3) season's experience in ecological restoration and the ability to identify and differentiate between targeted weeds and vegetation to remain. The Contractor shall observe and comply with all sections of the Illinois Custom Spray Law, including licensing. Contractor personnel applying herbicides shall have a valid pesticide applicator license issued by the Illinois Department of Agriculture.

**The licensed pesticide applicator shall attend the preconstruction meeting and submit his/her current license to the Engineer. The licensed pesticide applicator shall be qualified at a minimum in Right-of-Way and Aquatics. The licensed applicator shall work on-site for every work order issued and approved.**

### Equipment

The equipment used shall consist of a vehicle-mounted tank, pump, spray bar and handgun, plus any other accessories needed to complete the specified work. Spraying shall be done through multiple low-pressure flooding or broad jet nozzles mounted on spray bars operated not more than 36" above the ground. If different sizes or types of nozzles are used to make up the spray pattern, the pressure, sizes and capacities shall be adjusted to provide a uniform rate of application for each segment of the spray pattern. Hand spray guns may be used for spraying areas around traffic control devices, lighting standard and similar inaccessible areas. Maximum speed of the spray vehicle during application of chemical shall be ten (10) miles per hour.

Pumps used shall have a volume and pressure capacity range sufficient to deliver the mixture at a pressure to provide the required coverage and to keep the spray pattern full and steady without pulsation or excessive pressure as to cause fogging. Maximum pressure for application shall be 15 PSI. Quick acting shut-off valves and spring-loaded ball check valves shall be provided to stop the spray pattern with a minimum of nozzle drip. In areas where the spray vehicle must traverse the right-of-way, a four-wheel drive vehicle with flotation tires will be required to minimize damage to the ground surface.

Additional equipment used shall consist of swiping gloves, wicks, wands, hand spray guns and/or backpack sprayers, plus any other accessories needed to complete the specified work as directed by the Engineer. Wick applicators, swiping gloves, or other such devices may be required to ensure herbicides are applied only to target species. If hand spray guns used are attached to spray vehicle, maximum speed of the spray vehicle during application of chemical shall be five (5) miles per hour. In areas where a vehicle is needed to traverse the right-of-way, a four-wheel drive vehicle with flotation tires will be required to minimize damage to the ground surface.

Prior to beginning work, the Contractor shall obtain approval from the Engineer of the spraying equipment proposed for completing this work. The proposed equipment shall be in an operational condition and available for inspection by the Engineer at least two (2) weeks prior to the proposed starting time. If requested by the Engineer, the Contractor shall demonstrate the calibration of the equipment.

The equipment must provide consistently uniform coverage and keep the spray mixture sufficiently agitated or the work will be suspended until the equipment is repaired or replaced.

### Spraying Areas

This work includes roadsides and other types of right-of-way of various widths and gradients. Spray areas often extend more than thirty (30) feet from the edge of the roadway, requiring both spray bar and hand gun applications.

When the description of work requires weed control of a stated species, such as teasel, the chemical shall be applied only to locations where the stated species is present. When the description of work requires general weed control within a bed or area, such as broadleaf weed control in turf, then the chemical shall be applied to the entire bed or area.

### Exclusion of Spraying Areas

Areas where weed control spraying is inappropriate or detrimental to the environment, desirable planting, or private property shall be excluded from the spray area.

Spraying will not be permitted over any drainage swales or waterways, or other areas where the chemical label prohibits application. Spraying within 150 feet of a natural area or site where endangered or threatened species occur.

### Responsibility for Prevention of Damage to Private Property

The Contractor shall, at all times, exercise extreme caution to prevent damage to residential plantings, flower or vegetable gardens, vegetable crops, farm crops, orchard or desirable plants adjacent to the roadside.

The Contractor or Department receives a complaint; the Contractor shall contact a complainant within ten (10) days after receiving a claim for damages, either in person or by letter. The Contractor, or his authorized representative, shall make a personal contact with the complainant within twenty (20) days. The Engineer shall also be notified by the Contractor of all claims for damage he received and shall keep the Engineer informed as to the progress in arriving at a settlement for such claims.

### Communication with the Engineer

The Contractor is required to communicate with the Engineer to receive all required approvals in a timely way and to assure that the Engineer can accurately document the work performed.

**All work orders with herbicide application shall be directly supervised by the Engineer for quality assurance and for payment purposes. If the Contractor performs work without the Engineer's supervision, work will not be paid for.**

It shall be the Contractor's responsibility to assure that all chemical containers are opened and added to the spray mixture in the presence of the Engineer.

The Contractor shall obtain approval from the Engineer to proceed with spraying at each location 24 hours prior to the proposed spray operations.

The Contractor's superintendent shall closely coordinate work with the Engineer at all times in accordance with Article 105.06. The superintendent shall attend weekly progress meetings with the Engineer at the Engineer's office or other mutually agreed upon location. The superintendent shall communicate with the Engineer in the field during weed control activities to facilitate accurate completion of work while it is occurring. At the request of the Engineer, the Contractor shall provide a cell phone number where the superintendent can be reached during working hours. The Contractor shall notify the Engineer at least twenty-four (24) hours in advance of either discontinuing or resuming operations on all work orders.

### Pesticide Application Daily Spray Record

The Contractor will be required to properly track pesticide applications as required by the ILG87 Permit. Reported data from this form will be collected and compiled annually and reported to the IEPA as required.

Within 48 hours of the application of pesticides, including but not limited to herbicides, insecticides, algaecides, and fungicides, the Contractor shall complete and return to the Engineer, Operations form "OPER 2720". OPER 2720 may be found at the following link:

<http://www.idot.illinois.gov/Assets/uploads/files/IDOT-Forms/OPER/OPER%202720.docx>

### **WEED CONTROL, BASAL TREATMENT**

Description: This work shall consist of the application of an herbicide mixture to control undesirable brush areas along highway roadsides. The solution shall apply to areas for low volume basal treatment and cut stump treatment only. The herbicide shall be mixed with a marking dye. Contractor's personnel applying the herbicide shall have a valid pesticide applicator license issued by the Illinois Department of Agriculture.

#### Cut Stump Treatment

To control resprouting of cut stumps of susceptible species, spray mixture must consist of 20% Herbicide Type A, 13% Herbicide Type B, and 67% basal oil. Apply with a backpack or knapsack sprayer using low pressures and a solid cone or flat fan nozzle. Spray the root collar area, sides of the stump, and the outer portion of the cut surface including the cambium until thoroughly wet, but not to the point of runoff. Spray mixture concentration should vary with size and susceptibility of species treated. Apply at any time, including winter months, except when snow or water prevent spraying to the ground line.

#### Low Volume Basal Bark Treatment

To control susceptible woody plants with stems less than 6 inches in basal diameter, spray mixture must consist of 20% Herbicide Type A, 13% Herbicide Type B, and 67% bark oil. Apply with a backpack or knapsack sprayer using low pressure and a solid cone or flat fan nozzle. Mixture should be applied from the root collar up to 18 inches. Spray the basal parts of brush and tree trunks in a manner which thoroughly wets the lower stems, including the root collar area, but not to the point of runoff. Herbicide concentration should vary with size and susceptibility of species treated. Apply at any time, including winter months, except when snow or water prevent spraying to the ground line or when stem surfaces are saturated with water.

Bark oil is for low-volume basal bark and stump treatments, to be used only with oil-miscible woody plant herbicides that permit dilution with oil on their labels. Follow all use directions and precautions on the label of the herbicide.

Materials: The mixture shall contain twenty percent (20%) Herbicide Type A, thirteen percent (13%) Herbicide Type B, and sixty-seven percent (67%) bark oil. Substitutions are allowable with herbicides of equal formulation. The mixture shall have the following formulation:



**Herbicide Type A**

Active Ingredient:	
triclopyr: 3,5,6-trichloro-2-pyridinyloxyacetic acid, butoxyethyl ester	61.6%
Inert Ingredients	<u>38.4%</u>
TOTAL	100.00%

**Herbicide Type B**

Active Ingredient:	
Isopropylamine salt of Imazapyr (2-[4,5-dihydro-4- methyl-4-(1-methylethyl)-5-oxo-1H-imidazol-2-yl]- -3-pyridinecarboxylic acid)*	27.6%
Inert Ingredients	<u>72.4%</u>
TOTAL	100.00%

\*Equivalent to 22.6% (2-[4,5-dihydro-4-methyl-4-(1-methylethyl)-  
-5-oxo-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-3-pyridinecarboxylic acid)  
or 2 pounds acid per gallon

The Contractor shall submit a certificate, including the following, prior to starting work:

1. The chemical names of the compound and the percentage by volume of the ingredients which must match the above specified formulation.
2. A statement that the material is in a solution which will form a satisfactory emulsion for use when diluted with oil for normal spraying conditions.
3. A statement that the herbicide, when mixed with oil, will be completely soluble and dispersible and remain in suspension with continuous agitation.
4. A statement describing the products proposed for use when the manufacturer of herbicide requires that surfactants, drift control agents, or other additives be used with the product. These tank mix additives shall be used as specified by the manufacturer. Required additives will not be paid for separately.

**All material shall be brought to the spray area in the original, unopened containers supplied by the manufacturer.**

Application Rate: The Basal Treatment solution shall be applied at the rate specified herein. Additional information is located in Cut Stump Treatment and Low Volume Basal Bark Treatment within this contract.

Method of Measurement: WEED CONTROL, BASAL TREATMENT will be measured for payment in gallons of diluted solution applied as specified. The gallons for payment will be determined based on the gallons specified on the label attached to the original container supplied by the manufacturer. The Engineer must be present during the preparation of solution.

Basis of Payment: WEED CONTROL, BASAL TREATMENT will be paid for at the contract unit price per gallon for WEED CONTROL, BASAL TREATMENT

Bark oil for dilution of the mixture and additives required for application will not be paid for as separate items, but the costs shall be considered as included in the contract price for WEED CONTROL, BASAL TREATMENT and no additional compensation will be allowed.

## **WEED CONTROL, NATIVE LANDSCAPE ENHANCEMENT**

### Description.

This work shall consist of controlling and/or removing weeds growing within native landscapes (prairies, savannahs, woodlands, wetlands, etc.). These selective weed control areas may not be able to be treated with typical large roadside herbicide spraying equipment. Locations for selective weed control remediation shall be designated by the Engineer.

The undesirable weeds (tree saplings, stump sprouts, buckthorn, teasel, thistle, phragmites, cattails, etc.) shall be removed and/ or treated with the appropriate weed control method approved by the Engineer prior to the start of work per location. Multiple weed species may be treated during each site visit. All herbicides shall be approved by the Engineer prior to the start of work.

All selective weed control enhancement areas shall be completed to the satisfaction of the Engineer with equipment, method, and/or herbicide approved by the Engineer. Disposal of material shall be done in accordance with Article 202.03.

### Schedule.

Individual weed species may be targeted and shall be spot sprayed during the appropriate growth stage. Weed control must be completed in a timely manner. When the Engineer directs the Contractor to control the weeds, the Contractor must begin the weed control operation within seven (7) days of notice.

Equipment and Herbicides.

Special equipment such as backpack sprayers, hand sprayers, and hand pruners may be required to conduct spot herbicide treatments and manual removal of weeds in small areas. All equipment shall be approved by the Engineer. The Contractor shall submit a certificate for all herbicides, including the following, prior to starting work:

1. The chemical names of the compound and the percentage by weight of the ingredients.
2. A statement that the material will form a satisfactory emulsion for use when diluted with water for normal spraying conditions.
3. A statement that the herbicide, when mixed with water, will be completely soluble and dispersible and remain in suspension with continuous agitation.
4. A statement describing the products proposed for use when the manufacturer requires that surfactants, drift control agents, or other additives be used with the product. These tank mix additives shall be used as specified by the manufacturer. Required additives will not be paid for separately.

**All material shall be brought to the spray area in the original, unopened containers supplied by the manufacturer.**

Application Rate.

Follow manufacturer's recommendation for the various herbicides.

Method.

All weed control operations are to proceed in the direction of traffic flow.

If weeds or other undesirable vegetation threatens to introduce seed into naturalized areas, smother planted species, or in case of weeds exceeding growth of planted species, at the direction of the Engineer, the weeds shall be: spot sprayed, wicked, hand trimmed or uprooted, raked and removed from the area. Weeds shall be removed in a manner that does not damage the underlying native grasses and forbs.

Remove litter, including plastic bags, paper, bottles, etc. prior to weed control. All weeds, litter, and debris removal must be complete to the satisfaction of the Engineer and disposed of according to Article 202.03. Damage to the native vegetation, such as ruts or wheel tracks more than 2 inches in depth, other plantings, or highway appurtenances caused by the weed control remediation operation shall be repaired at the Contractor's expense and to the satisfaction of the Engineer.

Method of Measurement.

The work will be measured in acres of surface area cared for to the satisfaction of the Engineer fifteen (15) calendar days after the work order authorization date.

If the inspection discloses any work as being unsatisfactory, the Engineer will give the Contractor the necessary instructions for correction of same, and the Contractor shall immediately comply with such instructions and correct the unsatisfactory work within seven (7) calendar days. Removal and disposal of debris will not be measured separately but shall be considered included.

Basis of Payment.

This work will be paid for at the contract unit price per acre for WEED CONTROL, NATIVE LANDSCAPE ENHANCEMENT. Payment for Weed Control, Native Landscape Enhancement shall include all materials, equipment, labor, removal, disposal and incidentals required to complete the work as specified herein and to the satisfaction of the Engineer.

**MAINTENANCE OF ROADWAYS**

Effective: September 30, 1985

Revised: November 1, 1996

Beginning on the date that work begins on this project, the Contractor shall assume responsibility for normal maintenance of all existing roadways within the limits of the improvement. This normal maintenance shall include all repair work deemed necessary by the Engineer, but shall not include snow removal operations. Traffic control and protection for maintenance of roadways will be provided by the Contractor as required by the Engineer.

If items of work have not been provided in the contract, or otherwise specified for payment, such items, including the accompanying traffic control and protection required by the Engineer, will be paid for in accordance with Article 109.04 of the Standard Specifications.

## **TRAFFIC CONTROL PLAN**

Effective: September 30, 1985

Revised: January 1, 2007

Traffic Control shall be according to the applicable sections of the Standard Specifications, the Supplemental Specifications, the "Illinois Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices for Streets and Highways", any special details and Highway Standards contained in the plans, and the Special Provisions contained herein.

Special attention is called to Article 107.09 of the Standard Specifications and the following Highway Standards, Details, Quality Standard for Work Zone Traffic Control Devices, Recurring Special Provisions and Special Provisions contained herein, relating to traffic control.

The Contractor shall contact the District One Bureau of Traffic at least 72 hours in advance of beginning work.

STANDARDS: 701001, 701006, 701106, 701201, 701301, 701311, 701421, 701422, 701427, 701501, 701502, 701601, 701606, 701611, 701701, 701801, 701901

### DETAILS:

- (TC-10) Traffic Control and Protection for Side Roads, Intersections, and Driveways
- (TC-17) Traffic Control and Protection for Freeway Shoulder Closure and Partial Ramp Closure
- (TC-22) Arterial Road Information Sign

### SPECIAL PROVISIONS:

- Public Convenience and Safety (District 1)
- Maintenance of Roadway
- Work Zone Traffic Control (D-1 Maintenance)
- Failure to Open Traffic Lanes to Traffic
- Traffic Control and Protection (Arterials)
- Traffic Control and Protection (Expressways)
- Keeping Arterial Roadways Open to Traffic (Lane Closures Only)
- Keeping Arterial Roadways Open to Traffic (With 15 MIN Full Stops)
- Keeping the Expressway Open to Traffic
- Automated Flagger Assistance Devices (BDE)
- Traffic Control Devices – Cones (BDE)
- Equipment Parking and Storage (BDE)
- Work Zone Traffic Control Devices (BDE)

**PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND SAFETY (DIST 1)**

Effective: May 1, 2012

Revised: July 15, 2012

Add the following to the end of the fourth paragraph of Article 107.09:

“If the holiday is on a Saturday or Sunday, and is legally observed on a Friday or Monday, the length of Holiday Period for Monday or Friday shall apply.”

Add the following sentence after the Holiday Period table in the fourth paragraph of Article 107.09:

“The Length of Holiday Period for Thanksgiving shall be from 5:00 AM the Wednesday prior to 11:59 PM the Sunday After”

Delete the fifth paragraph of Article 107.09 of the Standard Specifications:

“On weekends, excluding holidays, roadways with Average Daily Traffic of 25,000 or greater, all lanes shall be open to traffic from 3:00 P.M. Friday to midnight Sunday except where structure construction or major rehabilitation makes it impractical.”

**WORK ZONE TRAFFIC CONTROL (D-1 MAINTENANCE)**

Effective: May 30, 2006

Revised: June 15, 2010

Revise Article 701.19 Method of Measurement to read:

"Traffic Control and Protection will not be measured for payment."

Revise Article 701.20 Basis of Payment to read:

"(a) Traffic Control and Protection will not be paid for as separate items, but the costs shall be considered as included in the contract unit prices for the construction items involved, and no additional compensation will be allowed.

(b) Work or revisions in the phasing of construction or maintenance operations may require traffic control to be installed in accordance with a Standard other than those included in the plans. In such cases, the Standards will be made available to the Contractor at least one week in advance of the change in traffic control. Payment for traffic control required by these added Standards will be according to Article 109.04. Revisions or modifications to increase the traffic control protection shown in the contract shall be submitted by the Contractor for approval by the Engineer. A reduction of the traffic control shown in the contract will not be allowed."

## **KEEPING THE EXPRESSWAY OPEN TO TRAFFIC**

Effective: March 22, 1996

Revised: January 21, 2015

Whenever work is in progress on or adjacent to an expressway, the Contractor shall provide the necessary traffic control devices to warn the public and to delineate the work zone as required in these Special Provisions, the Standard Specifications, the State Standards and the District Freeway details. All Contractors' personnel shall be limited to these barricaded work zones and shall not cross the expressway.

The Contractor shall request and gain approval from the Illinois Department of Transportation's Expressway Traffic Operations Engineer at [www.idotlcs.com](http://www.idotlcs.com) twenty-four (24) hours in advance of all daily lane, ramp and shoulder closures and 7 days in advance of all permanent and weekend closures on all Freeways and/or Expressways in District One. This advance notification is calculated based on workweek of Monday through Friday and shall not include weekends or Holidays.

Shoulder closures or partial ramp closures (per attached TC-17) will not be permitted on weekdays (Monday thru Friday) from 5:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Lane and ramp closures are normally not permitted during the day. Exact hours will be determined by the Expressway Traffic Operations Engineer.

Narrow Lanes and permanent shoulder closures will not be allowed between Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> and April 1<sup>st</sup>.

All daily lane closures shall be removed during adverse weather conditions such as rain, snow, and/or fog and as determined by the Engineer. Also, the contractor shall promptly remove their lane closures when Maintenance forces are out for snow and ice removal.

Additional lane closure hour restrictions may have to be imposed to facilitate the flow of traffic to and from major sporting events and/or other events.

Private vehicles shall not be parked in the work zone. Contractor's equipment and/or vehicles shall not be parked on the shoulders or in the median during non-working hours. The parking of equipment and/or vehicles on State right-of-way will only be permitted at the locations approved by the Engineer.

**FAILURE TO OPEN TRAFFIC LANES TO TRAFFIC**

Effective: March 22, 1996

Revised: February 9, 2005

Should the Contractor fail to completely open and keep open all the traffic lanes to traffic in accordance with the limitations specified under the Special Provisions for "Keeping the Expressway Open to Traffic", the Contractor shall be liable to the Department for the amount of:

One lane or ramp blocked = \$ **2,000/15 minutes**

Not as a penalty but as liquidated and ascertained damages for each and every 15 minute interval or a portion thereof that a lane is blocked outside the allowable time limitations. Such damages may be deducted by the Department from any monies due the Contractor. These damages shall apply during the contract time and during any extensions of the contract time. **KEEPING ARTERIAL ROADWAYS OPEN TO TRAFFIC (LANE CLOSURES ONLY)**

Effective: January 22, 2003

Revised: August 10, 2017

The Contractor shall provide the necessary traffic control devices to warn the public and to delineate the work zone as required in these Special Provisions, the Standard Specifications, the State Standards, and the District Details.

Arterial lane closures shall be in accordance with the Standard Specifications, Highway Standards, District Details, and the direction of the Engineer. The Contractor shall request and gain approval from the Engineer seventy-two (72) hours in advance of all long-term (24 hrs. or longer) lane closures.

Arterial lane closures not shown in the staging plans will not be permitted during **peak traffic volume hours**.

Peak traffic volume hours are defined as weekdays (Monday through Friday) from **6:00 AM to 8:30 AM and 4:30 PM to 6:00 PM**.

Private vehicles shall not be parked in the work zone. Contractor's equipment and/or vehicles shall not be parked on the shoulders or in the median during non-working hours. The parking of equipment and/or vehicles on State right-of-way will only be permitted at locations approved by the Engineer in accordance with Articles 701.08 and 701.11 of the Standard Specifications.

Should the Contractor fail to completely open and keep open all the traffic lanes to traffic in accordance with the limitations specified above, the Contractor shall be liable to the Department for the amount of:

One lane or ramp blocked = \$ **1,000**

Two lanes blocked = \$ **2,500**

Not as a penalty but as liquidated and ascertained damages for each and every 15 minute interval or a portion thereof that a lane is blocked outside the allowable time limitations. Such damages may be deducted by the Department from any monies due the Contractor. These damages shall apply during the contract time and during any extensions of the contract time.



**KEEPING ARTERIAL ROADWAYS OPEN TO TRAFFIC (WITH 15 MIN FULL STOPS)**

Effective: January 22, 2003

Revised: August 10, 2017

The Contractor shall provide the necessary traffic control devices to warn the public and to delineate the work zone as required in these Special Provisions, the Standard Specifications, the State Standards, and the District Details.

Arterial lane closures shall be in accordance with the Standard Specifications, Highway Standards, District Details, and the direction of the Engineer. The Contractor shall request and gain approval from the Engineer seventy-two (72) hours in advance of all long-term (24 hrs. or longer) lane closures.

Arterial lane closures not shown in the staging plans will not be permitted during **peak traffic volume hours**.

Peak traffic volume hours are defined as weekdays (Monday through Friday) from **6:00 AM to 8:30 AM and 4:30 PM to 6:00 PM**.

Full closure of all arterial lanes in one or both directions will only be permitted for a maximum of 15 minutes at a time **during the off-peak traffic volume hours**. During full roadway closures, the Contractor will be required to reduce the roadway to only one open traffic lane in the affected direction(s) of travel using the appropriate State Standard(s) and District Detail(s). Police forces shall be notified and requested to close the remaining lane to facilitate the necessary work activities, except that a flagger may be substituted for daytime closures with the approval of the Engineer. The Contractor shall notify the District One Arterial Traffic Control Supervisor at 847-705-4470 at least three (3) working days (weekends and holidays DO NOT count into this notification time) in advance of the proposed road closures.

Private vehicles shall not be parked in the work zone. Contractor's equipment and/or vehicles shall not be parked on the shoulders or in the median during non-working hours. The parking of equipment and/or vehicles on State right-of-way will only be permitted at locations approved by the Engineer in accordance with Articles 701.08 and 701.11 of the Standard Specifications.

Should the Contractor fail to completely open and keep open all the traffic lanes to traffic in accordance with the limitations specified above, the Contractor shall be liable to the Department for the amount of:

One lane or ramp blocked = \$ 1,000

Two lanes blocked = \$ **2,500**

Not as a penalty but as liquidated and ascertained damages for each and every 15 minute interval or a portion thereof that a lane is blocked outside the allowable time limitations. Such damages may be deducted by the Department from any monies due the Contractor. These damages shall apply during the contract time and during any extensions of the contract time.

## **TRAFFIC CONTROL AND PROTECTION (EXPRESSWAYS)**

Effective: March 8, 1996

Revised: January 22, 2020

Description. This work shall include furnishing, installing, maintaining, replacing, relocating, and removing all traffic control devices used for the purpose of regulating, warning, or directing traffic. Traffic control and protection shall be provided as called for in the plans, applicable Highway Standards, District One Expressway details, Standards and Supplemental Specifications, these Special Provisions, or as directed by the Engineer.

General. The governing factor in the execution and staging of work for this project is to provide the motoring public with the safest possible travel conditions on the expressway through the construction zone. The Contractor shall arrange his operations to keep the closing of lanes and/or ramps to a minimum.

The Contractor shall be responsible for the proper location, installation, and arrangement of all traffic control devices. Special attention shall be given to existing warning signs and overhead guide signs during all construction operations. Warning signs and existing guide signs with down arrows shall be kept consistent with the barricade placement at all times. The Contractor shall immediately remove, completely cover, or turn from the motorist's view all signs which are inconsistent with lane assignment patterns.

The Contractor shall coordinate all traffic control work on this project with adjoining or overlapping projects, including barricade placement necessary to provide a uniform traffic detour pattern. When directed by the Engineer, the Contractor shall remove all traffic control devices that were furnished, installed, or maintained by him under this contract, and such devices shall remain the property of the Contractor. All traffic control devices shall remain in place until specific authorization for relocation or removal is received from the Engineer.

Additional requirements for traffic control devices shall be as follows.

(a) Traffic Control Setup and Removal. The setting and removal of barricades for the taper portion of a lane closure shall be done under the protection of a vehicle with a truck/trailer mounted attenuator and arrow board per State Standard 701428 and Section 701 of the Standard Specifications. Failure to meet this requirement will be subject to a Traffic Control Deficiency. The deficiency will be calculated as outlined in Article 105.03 of the Standard Specifications. Truck/trailer mounted attenuators shall comply with Article 1106.02(g) or shall meet the requirements of NCHRP 350 Test Level 3 with vehicles used in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations and requirements.

(b) Sign Requirements

(1) Sign Maintenance. Prior to the beginning of construction operations, the Contractor will be provided a sign log of all existing signs within the limits of the construction zone. The Contractor is responsible for verifying the accuracy of the sign log. Throughout the duration of this project, all existing traffic signs shall be maintained by the Contractor. All provisions of Article 107.25 of the Standard Specifications shall apply.

- (2) Work Zone Speed Limit Signs. Work zone speed limit signs shall be installed as required in Article 701.14(b) and as shown in the plans and Highway Standards. Based upon the existing posted speed limit, work zone speed limits shall be established and signed as follows.
- a. Existing Speed Limit of 55mph or higher. The initial work zone speed limit assembly, located approximately 4200' before the closure, and shall be 55mph as shown in 701400. Additional work zone 45mph assemblies shall be used as required according to Article 701.14(b) and as shown in the Highway Standards and plans. WORK ZONE SPEED LIMIT 55 PHOTO ENFORCED assemblies may be omitted when this assembly would normally be placed within 1500 feet of the END WORK ZONE SPEED LIMIT sign. If existing speed limit is over 65mph then additional signage should be installed per 701400.
  - b. Existing Speed Limit of 45mph. The advance 55mph work zone speed limit assembly shown in 701400 shall be replaced with a 45mph assembly. Additional work zone 45mph assemblies shall be used as required according to Article 701.14(b) and as shown in the Highway Standards and plans. WORK ZONE SPEED LIMIT 55 PHOTO ENFORCED assemblies shall be eliminated in all cases. END WORK ZONE SPEED LIMIT signs are required.
- (3) Exit Signs. The exit gore signs as shown in Standard 701411 shall be a minimum size of 48 inch by 48 inch with 12 inch capital letters and a 20 inch arrow. EXIT OPEN AHEAD signs shown in Standard 701411 shall be a minimum size of 48 inch by 48 inch with 8 inch capital letters.
- (4) Uneven Lanes Signs. The Contractor shall furnish and erect "UNEVEN LANES" signs (W8-11) on both sides of the expressway, at any time when the elevation difference between adjacent lanes open to traffic equals or exceeds one inch. Signs shall be placed 500' in advance of the drop-off, within 500' of every entrance, and a minimum of every mile.
- (c) Drums/Barricades. Check barricades shall be placed in work areas perpendicular to traffic every 1000', one per lane and per shoulder, to prevent motorists from using work areas as a traveled way. Check barricades shall also be placed in advance of each open patch, or excavation, or any other hazard in the work area, the first at the edge of the open traffic lane and the second centered in the closed lane. Check barricades, either Type I or II, or drums shall be equipped with a flashing light.

To provide sufficient lane widths (10' minimum) for traffic and also working room, the Contractor shall furnish and install vertical barricades, in lieu of Type II or drums, along the cold milling and asphalt paving operations. The vertical barricades shall be placed at the same spacing as the drums.

- (d) Vertical Barricades. Vertical barricades shall not be used in lane closure tapers, lane shifts, exit ramp gores, or staged construction projects lasting more than 12 hours. Also, vertical barricades shall not be used as patch barricades or check barricades. Special attention shall be given, and ballast provided per manufacture's specification, to maintain the vertical barricades in an upright position and in proper alignment.
- (e) Temporary Concrete Barrier Wall. Prismatic barrier wall reflectors shall be installed on both the face of the wall next to traffic, and the top of sections of the temporary concrete barrier wall as shown in Standard 704001. The color of these reflectors shall match the color of the edgelines (yellow on the left and crystal or white on the right). If the base of the temporary concrete barrier wall is 12 inches or less from the travel lane, then the lower slope of the wall shall also have a 6 inch wide temporary pavement marking edgeline (yellow on the left and white on the right).
- (f) Flaggers. One flagger will be required for each separate activity of an operation that requires frequent construction vehicles to enter or leave a work zone to or from a lane open to traffic. Temporary traffic control and flagger position shall be according to District One Detail TC-18 – Expressway Flagging, or as directed by the Engineer.
- (g) Full Expressway Closures. Full Expressway Closures will only be permitted for a maximum of 15 minutes during the allowable hours listed in the Keeping the Expressway Open to Traffic Special Provision. During Full Expressway Closures, the Contractor will be required to close off all lanes except one, using Freeway Standard Closures. The Contractor will be required to provide one changeable message sign to be placed at the direction of the Engineer. The sign shall display a message as directed by the Engineer. A Maintenance of Traffic Plan shall be submitted to the District One Expressway Traffic Control Supervisor 14 days in advance of the planned work; including all stage changes. The Maintenance of Traffic Plan shall include, but not be limited to: lane and ramp closures, existing geometrics, and equipment and material location. The District One Expressway Traffic Control Supervisor (847-705-4151) shall be contacted at least 3 working days in advance of the proposed road closure and will coordinate the closure operation with police forces.

Method of Measurement. Traffic Control and Protection (Expressways) will not be measured for payment.

Basis of Payment.

- (a) Traffic Control and Protection (Expressways) will not be paid for as separate items, but the costs shall be considered as included in the contract unit prices for the construction items involved, and no additional compensation will be allowed.
- (b) Work or revisions in the phasing of construction or maintenance operations may require traffic control to be installed in accordance with a Standard other than those included in the plans. In such cases, the Standards will be made available to the Contractor at least one week in advance of the change in traffic control. Payment for traffic control required by these added Standards will be according to Article 109.04. Revisions or modifications to increase the traffic control protection shown in the contract shall be submitted by the Contractor for approval by the Engineer. A reduction of the traffic control shown in the contract will not be allowed.

## **AUTOMATED FLAGGER ASSISTANCE DEVICES (BDE)**

Effective: January 1, 2008

**Description.** This work shall consist of furnishing and operating automated flagger assistance devices (AFADs) as part of the work zone traffic control and protection for two-lane highways where two-way traffic is maintained over one lane of pavement. Use of these devices shall be at the option of the Contractor.

**Equipment.** AFADs shall be according to the FHWA memorandum, "MUTCD - Revised Interim Approval for the use of Automated Flagger Assistance Devices in Temporary Traffic Control Zones (IA-4R)", dated January 28, 2005. The devices shall be mounted on a trailer or a moveable cart and shall meet the requirements of NCHRP 350, Category 4.

The AFAD shall be the Stop/Slow type. This device uses remotely controlled "STOP" and "SLOW" signs to alternately control right-of-way.

Signs for the AFAD shall be according to Article 701.03 of the Standard Specifications and the MUTCD. The signs shall be 24 x 24 in. (600 x 600 mm) having an octagon shaped "STOP" sign on one side and a diamond shaped "SLOW" sign on the opposite side. The letters on the signs shall be 8 in. (200 mm) high. If the "STOP" sign has louvers, the full sign face shall be visible at a distance of 50 ft (15 m) and greater.

The signs shall be supplemented with one of the following types of lights.

- (a) Flashing Lights. When flashing lights are used, white or red flashing lights shall be mounted within the "STOP" sign face and white or yellow flashing lights within the "SLOW" sign face.
- (b) Stop and Warning Beacons. When beacons are used, a stop beacon shall be mounted 24 in. (600 mm) or less above the "STOP" sign face and a warning beacon mounted 24 in. (600 mm) or less above, below, or to the side of the "SLOW" sign face. As an option, a Type B warning light may be used in lieu of the warning beacon.

A "WAIT ON STOP" sign shall be placed on the right hand side of the roadway at a point where drivers are expected to stop. The sign shall be 24 x 30 in. (600 x 750 mm) with a black legend and border on a white background. The letters shall be at least 6 in. (150 mm) high.

This device may include a gate arm or mast arm that descends to a horizontal position when the "STOP" sign is displayed and rises to a vertical position when the "SLOW" sign is displayed. When included, the end of the arm shall reach at least to the center of the lane being controlled. The arm shall have alternating red and white retroreflective stripes, on both sides, sloping downward at 45 degrees toward the side on which traffic will pass. The stripes shall be 6 in. (150 mm) in width and at least 2 in. (50 mm) in height.

**Flagging Requirements.** Flaggers and flagging requirements shall be according to Article 701.13 of the Standard Specifications and the following.

AFADs shall be placed at each end of the traffic control, where a flagger is shown on the plans. The flaggers shall be able to view the face of the AFAD and approaching traffic during operation.

To stop traffic, the "STOP" sign shall be displayed, the corresponding lights/beacon shall flash, and when included, the gate arm shall descend to a horizontal position. To permit traffic to move, the "SLOW" sign shall be displayed, the corresponding lights/beacon shall flash, and when included, the gate arm shall rise to a vertical position.

If used at night, the AFAD location shall be illuminated according to Section 701 of the Standard Specifications.

When not in use, AFADs will be considered nonoperating equipment and shall be stored according to Article 701.11 of the Standard Specifications.

**Basis of Payment.** This work will not be paid for separately but shall be considered as included in the cost of the various traffic control items included in the contract.

#### **COMPENSABLE DELAY COSTS (BDE)**

Effective: June 2, 2017

Revised: April 1, 2019

Revise Article 107.40(b) of the Standard Specifications to read:

"(b) Compensation. Compensation will not be allowed for delays, inconveniences, or damages sustained by the Contractor from conflicts with facilities not meeting the above definition; or if a conflict with a utility in an unanticipated location does not cause a shutdown of the work or a documentable reduction in the rate of progress exceeding the limits set herein. The provisions of Article 104.03 notwithstanding, compensation for delays caused by a utility in an unanticipated location will be paid according to the provisions of this Article governing minor and major delays or reduced rate of production which are defined as follows.

- (1) Minor Delay. A minor delay occurs when the work in conflict with the utility in an unanticipated location is completely stopped for more than two hours, but not to exceed two weeks.
- (2) Major Delay. A major delay occurs when the work in conflict with the utility in an unanticipated location is completely stopped for more than two weeks.
- (3) Reduced Rate of Production Delay. A reduced rate of production delay occurs when the rate of production on the work in conflict with the utility in an unanticipated location decreases by more than 25 percent and lasts longer than seven calendar days."

Revise Article 107.40(c) of the Standard Specifications to read:

“(c) Payment. Payment for Minor, Major, and Reduced Rate of Production Delays will be made as follows.

- (1) Minor Delay. Labor idled which cannot be used on other work will be paid for according to Article 109.04(b)(1) and (2) for the time between start of the delay and the minimum remaining hours in the work shift required by the prevailing practice in the area.

Equipment idled which cannot be used on other work, and which is authorized to standby on the project site by the Engineer, will be paid for according to Article 109.04(b)(4).

- (2) Major Delay. Labor will be the same as for a minor delay.

Equipment will be the same as for a minor delay, except Contractor-owned equipment will be limited to two weeks plus the cost of move-out to either the Contractor’s yard or another job and the cost to re-mobilize, whichever is less. Rental equipment may be paid for longer than two weeks provided the Contractor presents adequate support to the Department (including lease agreement) to show retaining equipment on the job is the most economical course to follow and in the public interest.

- (3) Reduced Rate of Production Delay. The Contractor will be compensated for the reduced productivity for labor and equipment time in excess of the 25 percent threshold for that portion of the delay in excess of seven calendar days. Determination of compensation will be in accordance with Article 104.02, except labor and material additives will not be permitted.

Payment for escalated material costs, escalated labor costs, extended project overhead, and extended traffic control will be determined according to Article 109.13.”

Revise Article 108.04(b) of the Standard Specifications to read:

“(b) No working day will be charged under the following conditions.

- (1) When adverse weather prevents work on the controlling item.
- (2) When job conditions due to recent weather prevent work on the controlling item.
- (3) When conduct or lack of conduct by the Department or its consultants, representatives, officers, agents, or employees; delay by the Department in making the site available; or delay in furnishing any items required to be furnished to the Contractor by the Department prevents work on the controlling item.
- (4) When delays caused by utility or railroad adjustments prevent work on the controlling item.
- (5) When strikes, lock-outs, extraordinary delays in transportation, or inability to procure critical materials prevent work on the controlling item, as long as these delays are not

due to any fault of the Contractor.

(6) When any condition over which the Contractor has no control prevents work on the controlling item.”

Revise Article 109.09(f) of the Standard Specifications to read:

“(f) Basis of Payment. After resolution of a claim in favor of the Contractor, any adjustment in time required for the work will be made according to Section 108. Any adjustment in the costs to be paid will be made for direct labor, direct materials, direct equipment, direct jobsite overhead, direct offsite overhead, and other direct costs allowed by the resolution. Adjustments in costs will not be made for interest charges, loss of anticipated profit, undocumented loss of efficiency, home office overhead and unabsorbed overhead other than as allowed by Article 109.13, lost opportunity, preparation of claim expenses and other consequential indirect costs regardless of method of calculation.

The above Basis of Payment is an essential element of the contract and the claim cost recovery of the Contractor shall be so limited.”

Add the following to Section 109 of the Standard Specifications.

**“109.13 Payment for Contract Delay.** Compensation for escalated material costs, escalated labor costs, extended project overhead, and extended traffic control will be allowed when such costs result from a delay meeting the criteria in the following table.

Contract Type	Cause of Delay	Length of Delay
Working Days	Article 108.04(b)(3) or Article 108.04(b)(4)	No working days have been charged for two consecutive weeks.
Completion Date	Article 108.08(b)(1) or Article 108.08(b)(7)	The Contractor has been granted a minimum two week extension of contract time, according to Article 108.08.

Payment for each of the various costs will be according to the following.

(a) Escalated Material and/or Labor Costs. When the delay causes work, which would have otherwise been completed, to be done after material and/or labor costs have increased, such increases will be paid. Payment for escalated material costs will be limited to the increased costs substantiated by documentation furnished by the Contractor. Payment for escalated labor costs will be limited to those items in Article 109.04(b)(1) and (2), except the 35 percent and 10 percent additives will not be permitted.

(b) Extended Project Overhead. For the duration of the delay, payment for extended project overhead will be paid as follows.



- (1) Direct Jobsite and Offsite Overhead. Payment for documented direct jobsite overhead and documented direct offsite overhead, including onsite supervisory and administrative personnel, will be allowed according to the following table.

Original Contract Amount	Supervisory and Administrative Personnel
Up to \$5,000,000	One Project Superintendent
Over \$ 5,000,000 - up to \$25,000,000	One Project Manager, One Project Superintendent or Engineer, and One Clerk
Over \$25,000,000 - up to \$50,000,000	One Project Manager, One Project Superintendent, One Engineer, and One Clerk
Over \$50,000,000	One Project Manager, Two Project Superintendents, One Engineer, and One Clerk

- (2) Home Office and Unabsorbed Overhead. Payment for home office and unabsorbed overhead will be calculated as 8 percent of the total delay cost.

- (c) Extended Traffic Control. Traffic control required for an extended period of time due to the delay will be paid for according to Article 109.04.

When an extended traffic control adjustment is paid under this provision, an adjusted unit price as provided for in Article 701.20(a) for increase or decrease in the value of work by more than ten percent will not be paid.

Upon payment for a contract delay under this provision, the Contractor shall assign subrogation rights to the Department for the Department’s efforts of recovery from any other party for monies paid by the Department as a result of any claim under this provision. The Contractor shall fully cooperate with the Department in its efforts to recover from another party any money paid to the Contractor for delay damages under this provision.”

**CONSTRUCTION AIR QUALITY – DIESEL RETROFIT (BDE)**

Effective: June 1, 2010

Revised: November 1, 2014

The reduction of emissions of particulate matter (PM) for off-road equipment shall be accomplished by installing retrofit emission control devices. The term “equipment” refers to diesel fuel powered devices rated at 50 hp and above, to be used on the jobsite in excess of seven calendar days over the course of the construction period on the jobsite (including rental equipment).

Contractor and subcontractor diesel powered off-road equipment assigned to the contract shall be retrofitted using the phased in approach shown below. Equipment that is of a model year older than the year given for that equipment’s respective horsepower range shall be retrofitted:

Effective Dates	Horsepower Range	Model Year
June 1, 2010 <sup>1/</sup>	600-749	2002
	750 and up	2006
June 1, 2011 <sup>2/</sup>	100-299	2003
	300-599	2001
	600-749	2002
	750 and up	2006
June 1, 2012 <sup>2/</sup>	50-99	2004
	100-299	2003
	300-599	2001
	600-749	2002
	750 and up	2006

1/ Effective dates apply to Contractor diesel powered off-road equipment assigned to the contract.

2/ Effective dates apply to Contractor and subcontractor diesel powered off-road equipment assigned to the contract.

The retrofit emission control devices shall achieve a minimum PM emission reduction of 50 percent and shall be:

- a) Included on the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) *Verified Retrofit Technology List* (<http://www.epa.gov/cleandiesel/verification/verif-list.htm>), or verified by the California Air Resources Board (CARB) (<http://www.arb.ca.gov/diesel/verdev/vt/cvt.htm>); or
- b) Retrofitted with a non-verified diesel retrofit emission control device if verified retrofit emission control devices are not available for equipment proposed to be used on the project, and if the Contractor has obtained a performance certification from the retrofit device manufacturer that the emission control device provides a minimum PM emission reduction of 50 percent.

Note: Large cranes (Crawler mounted cranes) which are responsible for critical lift operations are exempt from installing retrofit emission control devices if such devices adversely affect equipment operation.

Diesel powered off-road equipment with engine ratings of 50 hp and above, which are unable to be retrofitted with verified emission control devices or if performance certifications are not available which will achieve a minimum 50 percent PM reduction, may be granted a waiver by the Department if documentation is provided showing good faith efforts were made by the Contractor to retrofit the equipment.

Construction shall not proceed until the Contractor submits a certified list of the diesel powered off-road equipment that will be used, and as necessary, retrofitted with emission control devices. The list(s) shall include (1) the equipment number, type, make, Contractor/rental company name; and (2) the emission control devices make, model, USEPA or CARB verification number, or performance certification from the retrofit device manufacturer. Equipment reported as fitted with emissions control devices shall be made available to the Engineer for visual inspection of the device installation, prior to being used on the jobsite.

The Contractor shall submit an updated list of retrofitted off-road construction equipment as retrofitted equipment changes or comes on to the jobsite. The addition or deletion of any diesel powered equipment shall be included on the updated list.

If any diesel powered off-road equipment is found to be in non-compliance with any portion of this special provision, the Engineer will issue the Contractor a diesel retrofit deficiency deduction.

Any costs associated with retrofitting any diesel powered off-road equipment with emission control devices shall be considered as included in the contract unit prices bid for the various items of work involved and no additional compensation will be allowed. The Contractor's compliance with this notice and any associated regulations shall not be grounds for a claim.

### **Diesel Retrofit Deficiency Deduction**

When the Engineer determines that a diesel retrofit deficiency exists, a daily monetary deduction will be imposed for each calendar day or fraction thereof the deficiency continues to exist. The calendar day(s) will begin when the time period for correction is exceeded and end with the Engineer's written acceptance of the correction. The daily monetary deduction will be \$1,000.00 for each deficiency identified.

The deficiency will be based on lack of diesel retrofit emissions control.

If a Contractor accumulates three diesel retrofit deficiency deductions for the same piece of equipment in a contract period, the Contractor will be shutdown until the deficiency is corrected. Such a shutdown will not be grounds for any extension of the contract time, waiver of penalties, or be grounds for any claim.

**DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PARTICIPATION (DBE)**

Effective: September 1, 2000

Revised: March 2, 2019

FEDERAL OBLIGATION. The Department of Transportation, as a recipient of federal financial assistance, is required to take all necessary and reasonable steps to ensure nondiscrimination in the award and administration of contracts. Consequently, the federal regulatory provisions of 49 CFR Part 26 apply to this contract concerning the utilization of disadvantaged business enterprises. For the purposes of this Special Provision, a disadvantaged business enterprise (DBE) means a business certified by the Department in accordance with the requirements of 49 CFR Part 26 and listed in the Illinois Unified Certification Program (IL UCP) DBE Directory.

STATE OBLIGATION. This Special Provision will also be used by the Department to satisfy the requirements of the Business Enterprise for Minorities, Females, and Persons with Disabilities Act, 30 ILCS 575. When this Special Provision is used to satisfy state law requirements on 100 percent state-funded contracts, the federal government has no involvement in such contracts (not a federal-aid contract) and no responsibility to oversee the implementation of this Special Provision by the Department on those contracts. DBE participation on 100 percent state-funded contracts will not be credited toward fulfilling the Department's annual overall DBE goal required by the US Department of Transportation to comply with the federal DBE program requirements.

CONTRACTOR ASSURANCE. The Contractor makes the following assurance and agrees to include the assurance in each subcontract the Contractor signs with a subcontractor.

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 contracts funded in whole or in part with federal or state funds. 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:

- (a) Withholding progress payments;
- (b) Assessing sanctions;
- (c) Liquidated damages; and/or
- (d) Disqualifying the Contractor from future bidding as non-responsible.

OVERALL GOAL SET FOR THE DEPARTMENT. As a requirement of compliance with 49 CFR Part 26, the Department has set an overall goal for DBE participation in its federally assisted contracts. That goal applies to all federal-aid funds the Department will expend in its federally assisted contracts for the subject reporting fiscal year. The Department is required to make a good faith effort to achieve the overall goal. The dollar amount paid to all approved DBE companies performing work called for in this contract is eligible to be credited toward fulfillment of the Department's overall goal.

**CONTRACT GOAL TO BE ACHIEVED BY THE CONTRACTOR.** This contract includes a specific DBE utilization goal established by the Department. The goal has been included because the Department has determined the work of this contract has subcontracting opportunities that may be suitable for performance by DBE companies. The determination is based on an assessment of the type of work, the location of the work, and the availability of DBE companies to do a part of the work. The assessment indicates, in the absence of unlawful discrimination and in an arena of fair and open competition, DBE companies can be expected to perform **0.00%** of the work. This percentage is set as the DBE participation goal for this contract. Consequently, in addition to the other award criteria established for this contract, the Department will only award this contract to a bidder who makes a good faith effort to meet this goal of DBE participation in the performance of the work. A bidder makes a good faith effort for award consideration if either of the following is done in accordance with the procedures set for in this Special Provision:

- (a) The bidder documents enough DBE participation has been obtained to meet the goal or,
- (b) The bidder documents a good faith effort has been made to meet the goal, even though the effort did not succeed in obtaining enough DBE participation to meet the goal.

**DBE LOCATOR REFERENCES.** Bidders shall consult the IL UCP DBE Directory as a reference source for DBE-certified companies. In addition, the Department maintains a letting and item specific DBE locator information system whereby DBE companies can register their interest in providing quotes on particular bid items advertised for letting. Information concerning DBE companies willing to quote work for particular contracts may be obtained by contacting the Department's Bureau of Small Business Enterprises at telephone number (217) 785-4611, or by visiting the Department's website at:

<http://www.idot.illinois.gov/doing-business/certifications/disadvantaged-business-enterprise-certification/il-ucp-directory/index>.

**BIDDING PROCEDURES.** Compliance with this Special Provision is a material bidding requirement and failure of the bidder to comply will render the bid not responsive.

The bidder shall submit a DBE Utilization Plan (form SBE 2026), and a DBE Participation Statement (form SBE 2025) for each DBE company proposed for the performance of work to achieve the contract goal, with the bid. If the Utilization Plan indicates the contract goal will not be met, documentation of good faith efforts shall also be submitted. The documentation of good faith efforts must include copies of each DBE and non-DBE subcontractor quote submitted to the bidder when a non-DBE subcontractor is selected over a DBE for work on the contract. The required forms and documentation must be submitted as a single .pdf file using the "Integrated Contractor Exchange (iCX)" application within the Department's "EBids System".

The Department will not accept a Utilization Plan if it does not meet the bidding procedures set forth herein and the bid will be declared not responsive. In the event the bid is declared not responsive, the Department may elect to cause the forfeiture of the penal sum of the bidder's proposal guaranty and may deny authorization to bid the project if re-advertised for bids.

GOOD FAITH EFFORT PROCEDURES. The contract will not be awarded until the Utilization Plan is approved. All information submitted by the bidder must be complete, accurate and adequately document enough DBE participation has been obtained or document the good faith efforts of the bidder, in the event enough DBE participation has not been obtained, before the Department will commit to the performance of the contract by the bidder. The Utilization Plan will be approved by the Department if the Utilization Plan documents sufficient commercially useful DBE work to meet the contract goal or the bidder submits sufficient documentation of a good faith effort to meet the contract goal pursuant to 49 CFR Part 26, Appendix A. This means the bidder must show that all necessary and reasonable steps were taken to achieve the contract goal. Necessary and reasonable steps are those which, by their scope, intensity and appropriateness to the objective, could reasonably be expected to obtain sufficient DBE participation, even if they were not successful. The Department will consider the quality, quantity, and intensity of the kinds of efforts the bidder has made. Mere *pro forma* efforts, in other words efforts done as a matter of form, are not good faith efforts; rather, the bidder is expected to have taken genuine efforts that would be reasonably expected of a bidder actively and aggressively trying to obtain DBE participation sufficient to meet the contract goal.

- (a) The following is a list of types of action that the Department will consider as part of the evaluation of the bidder's good faith efforts to obtain participation. These listed factors are not intended to be a mandatory checklist and are not intended to be exhaustive. Other factors or efforts brought to the attention of the Department may be relevant in appropriate cases and will be considered by the Department.
  - (1) Soliciting through all reasonable and available means (e.g. attendance at pre-bid meetings, advertising and/or written notices) the interest of all certified DBE companies that have the capability to perform the work of the contract. The bidder must solicit this interest within sufficient time to allow the DBE companies to respond to the solicitation. The bidder must determine with certainty if the DBE companies are interested by taking appropriate steps to follow up initial solicitations.
  - (2) Selecting portions of the work to be performed by DBE companies in order to increase the likelihood that the DBE goals will be achieved. This includes, where appropriate, breaking out contract work items into economically feasible units to facilitate DBE participation, even when the Contractor might otherwise prefer to perform these work items with its own forces.
  - (3) Providing interested DBE companies with adequate information about the plans, specifications, and requirements of the contract in a timely manner to assist them in responding to a solicitation.

- (4) a. Negotiating in good faith with interested DBE companies. It is the bidder's responsibility to make a portion of the work available to DBE subcontractors and suppliers and to select those portions of the work or material needs consistent with the available DBE subcontractors and suppliers, so as to facilitate DBE participation. Evidence of such negotiation includes the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of DBE companies that were considered; a description of the information provided regarding the plans and specifications for the work selected for subcontracting; and evidence as to why additional agreements could not be reached for DBE companies to perform the work.
  - b. A bidder using good business judgment would consider a number of factors in negotiating with subcontractors, including DBE subcontractors, and would take a firm's price and capabilities as well as contract goals into consideration. However, the fact that there may be some additional costs involved in finding and using DBE companies is not in itself sufficient reason for a bidder's failure to meet the contract DBE goal, as long as such costs are reasonable. Also the ability or desire of a bidder to perform the work of a contract with its own organization does not relieve the bidder of the responsibility to make good faith efforts. Bidders are not, however, required to accept higher quotes from DBE companies if the price difference is excessive or unreasonable. In accordance with the above Bidding Procedures, the documentation of good faith efforts must include copies of each DBE and non-DBE subcontractor quote submitted to the bidder when a non-DBE subcontractor was selected over a DBE for work on the contract.
- (5) Not rejecting DBE companies as being unqualified without sound reasons based on a thorough investigation of their capabilities. The bidder's standing within its industry, membership in specific groups, organizations, or associations and political or social affiliations (for example union vs. non-union employee status) are not legitimate causes for the rejection or non-solicitation of bids in the bidder's efforts to meet the project goal.
  - (6) Making efforts to assist interested DBE companies in obtaining bonding, lines of credit, or insurance as required by the recipient or Contractor.
  - (7) Making efforts to assist interested DBE companies in obtaining necessary equipment, supplies, materials, or related assistance or services.
  - (8) Effectively using the services of available minority/women community organizations; minority/women contractors' groups; local, state, and federal minority/women business assistance offices; and other organizations as allowed on a case-by-case basis to provide assistance in the recruitment and placement of DBE companies.

- (b) If the Department determines the bidder has made a good faith effort to secure the work commitment of DBE companies to meet the contract goal, the Department will award the contract provided it is otherwise eligible for award. If the Department determines the bidder has failed to meet the requirements of this Special Provision or that a good faith effort has not been made, the Department will notify the responsible company official designated in the Utilization Plan that the bid is not responsive. The notification will also include a statement of reasons for the adverse determination. If the Utilization Plan is not approved because it is deficient as a technical matter, unless waived by the Department, the bidder will be notified and will be allowed no more than a five calendar day period to cure the deficiency.
- (c) The bidder may request administrative reconsideration of an adverse determination by emailing the Department at "[DOT.DBEP@illinois.gov](mailto:DOT.DBEP@illinois.gov)" within the five calendar days after the receipt of the notification of the determination. The determination shall become final if a request is not made on or before the fifth calendar day. A request may provide additional written documentation or argument concerning the issues raised in the determination statement of reasons, provided the documentation and arguments address efforts made prior to submitting the bid. The request will be reviewed by the Department's Reconsideration Officer. The Reconsideration Officer will extend an opportunity to the bidder to meet in person to consider all issues of documentation and whether the bidder made a good faith effort to meet the goal. After the review by the Reconsideration Officer, the bidder will be sent a written decision within ten working days after receipt of the request for reconsideration, explaining the basis for finding that the bidder did or did not meet the goal or make adequate good faith efforts to do so. A final decision by the Reconsideration Officer that a good faith effort was made shall approve the Utilization Plan submitted by the bidder and shall clear the contract for award. A final decision that a good faith effort was not made shall render the bid not responsive.

CALCULATING DBE PARTICIPATION. The Utilization Plan values represent work anticipated to be performed and paid for upon satisfactory completion. The Department is only able to count toward the achievement of the overall goal and the contract goal the value of payments made for the work actually performed by DBE companies. In addition, a DBE must perform a commercially useful function on the contract to be counted. A commercially useful function is generally performed when the DBE is responsible for the work and is carrying out its responsibilities by actually performing, managing, and supervising the work involved. The Department and Contractor are governed by the provisions of 49 CFR Part 26.55(c) on questions of commercially useful functions as it affects the work. Specific counting guidelines are provided in 49 CFR Part 26.55, the provisions of which govern over the summary contained herein.

- (a) DBE as the Contractor: 100 percent goal credit for that portion of the work performed by the DBE's own forces, including the cost of materials and supplies. Work that a DBE subcontracts to a non-DBE does not count toward the DBE goals.
- (b) DBE as a joint venture Contractor: 100 percent goal credit for that portion of the total dollar value of the contract equal to the distinct, clearly defined portion of the work performed by the DBE's own forces.



- (c) DBE as a subcontractor: 100 percent goal credit for the work of the subcontract performed by the DBE's own forces, including the cost of materials and supplies, excluding the purchase of materials and supplies or the lease of equipment by the DBE subcontractor from the Contractor or its affiliates. Work that a DBE subcontractor in turn subcontracts to a non-DBE does not count toward the DBE goal.
- (d) DBE as a trucker: 100 percent goal credit for trucking participation provided the DBE is responsible for the management and supervision of the entire trucking operation for which it is responsible. At least one truck owned, operated, licensed, and insured by the DBE must be used on the contract. Credit will be given for the following:
  - (1) 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.
  - (2) The DBE may also lease trucks from a non-DBE firm, including from an owner-operator. The DBE who leases trucks from a non-DBE is entitled to credit only for the fee or commission is receives as a result of the lease arrangement.
- (e) DBE as a material supplier:
  - (1) 60 percent goal credit for the cost of the materials or supplies purchased from a DBE regular dealer.
  - (2) 100 percent goal credit for the cost of materials of supplies obtained from a DBE manufacturer.
  - (3) 100 percent credit for the value of reasonable fees and commissions for the procurement of materials and supplies if not a DBE regular dealer or DBE manufacturer.

CONTRACT COMPLIANCE. Compliance with this Special Provision is an essential part of the contract. The Department is prohibited by federal regulations from crediting the participation of a DBE included in the Utilization Plan toward either the contract goal or the Department's overall goal until the amount to be applied toward the goals has been paid to the DBE. The following administrative procedures and remedies govern the compliance by the Contractor with the contractual obligations established by the Utilization Plan. After approval of the Utilization Plan and award of the contract, the Utilization Plan and individual DBE Participation Statements become part of the contract. If the Contractor did not succeed in obtaining enough DBE participation to achieve the advertised contract goal, and the Utilization Plan was approved and contract awarded based upon a determination of good faith, the total dollar value of DBE work calculated in the approved Utilization Plan as a percentage of the awarded contract value shall become the amended contract goal. All work indicated for performance by an approved DBE shall be performed, managed, and supervised by the DBE executing the DBE Participation Commitment Statement.

- (a) NO AMENDMENT. No amendment to the Utilization Plan may be made without prior written approval from the Department's Bureau of Small Business Enterprises. All requests for amendment to the Utilization Plan shall be emailed to the Department at [DOT.DBE.UP@illinois.gov](mailto:DOT.DBE.UP@illinois.gov).
- (b) CHANGES TO WORK. Any deviation from the DBE condition-of-award or contract plans, specifications, or special provisions must be approved, in writing, by the Department as provided elsewhere in the Contract. The Contractor shall notify affected DBEs in writing of any changes in the scope of work which result in a reduction in the dollar amount condition-of-award to the contract. Where the revision includes work committed to a new DBE subcontractor, not previously involved in the project, then a Request for Approval of Subcontractor, Department form BC 260A or AER 260A, must be signed and submitted. If the commitment of work is in the form of additional tasks assigned to an existing subcontract, a new Request for Approval of Subcontractor will not be required. However, the Contractor must document efforts to assure the existing DBE subcontractor is capable of performing the additional work and has agreed in writing to the change.
- (c) SUBCONTRACT. The Contractor must provide copies of DBE subcontracts to the Department upon request. Subcontractors shall ensure that all lower tier subcontracts or agreements with DBEs to supply labor or materials be performed in accordance with this Special Provision.
- (d) ALTERNATIVE WORK METHODS. In addition to the above requirements for reductions in the condition of award, additional requirements apply to the two cases of Contractor-initiated work substitution proposals. Where the contract allows alternate work methods which serve to delete or create underruns in condition of award DBE work, and the Contractor selects that alternate method or, where the Contractor proposes a substitute work method or material that serves to diminish or delete work committed to a DBE and replace it with other work, then the Contractor must demonstrate one of the following:
- (1) The replacement work will be performed by the same DBE (as long as the DBE is certified in the respective item of work) in a modification of the condition of award; or
  - (2) The DBE is aware its work will be deleted or will experience underruns and has agreed in writing to the change. If this occurs, the Contractor shall substitute other work of equivalent value to a certified DBE or provide documentation of good faith efforts to do so; or
  - (3) The DBE is not capable of performing the replacement work or has declined to perform the work at a reasonable competitive price. If this occurs, the Contractor shall substitute other work of equivalent value to a certified DBE or provide documentation of good faith efforts to do so.

- (e) TERMINATION AND REPLACEMENT PROCEDURES. The Contractor shall not terminate or replace a DBE listed on the approved Utilization Plan, or perform with other forces work designated for a listed DBE except as provided in this Special Provision. The Contractor shall utilize the specific DBEs listed to perform the work and supply the materials for which each is listed unless the Contractor obtains the Department's written consent as provided in subsection (a) of this part. Unless Department consent is provided for termination of a DBE subcontractor, the Contractor shall not be entitled to any payment for work or material unless it is performed or supplied by the DBE in the Utilization Plan.

As stated above, the Contractor shall not terminate or replace a DBE subcontractor listed in the approved Utilization Plan without prior written consent. This includes, but is not limited to, instances in which the 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. Written consent will be granted only if the Bureau of Small Business Enterprises agrees, for reasons stated in its concurrence document, that the Contractor has good cause to terminate or replace the DBE firm. Before transmitting to the Bureau of Small Business Enterprises any request to terminate and/or substitute a DBE subcontractor, the Contractor shall give notice in writing to the DBE subcontractor, with a copy to the Bureau, of its intent to request to terminate and/or substitute, and the reason for the request. The Contractor shall give the DBE five days to respond to the Contractor's notice. The DBE so notified shall advise the Bureau and the Contractor of the reasons, if any, why it objects to the proposed termination of its subcontract and why the Bureau should not approve the Contractor's action. If required in a particular case as a matter of public necessity, the Bureau may provide a response period shorter than five days.

For purposes of this paragraph, good cause includes the following circumstances:

- (1) The listed DBE subcontractor fails or refuses to execute a written contract;
- (2) The listed DBE subcontractor fails or refuses to perform the work of its subcontract in a way consistent with normal industry standards. Provided, however, that good cause does not exist if the failure or refusal of the DBE subcontractor to perform its work on the subcontract results from the bad faith or discriminatory action of the Contractor;
- (3) The listed DBE subcontractor fails or refuses to meet the Contractor's reasonable, nondiscriminatory bond requirements;
- (4) The listed DBE subcontractor becomes bankrupt, insolvent, or exhibits credit unworthiness;
- (5) The listed DBE subcontractor is ineligible to work on public works projects because of suspension and debarment proceedings pursuant 2 CFR Parts 180, 215 and 1200 or applicable state law.
- (6) The Contractor has determined the listed DBE subcontractor is not a responsible contractor;
- (7) The listed DBE subcontractor voluntarily withdraws from the projects and provides written notice to the Contractor of its withdrawal;

- (8) The listed DBE is ineligible to receive DBE credit for the type of work required;
- (9) A DBE owner dies or becomes disabled with the result that the listed DBE subcontractor is unable to complete its work on the contract;
- (10) Other documented good cause that compels the termination of the DBE subcontractor. Provided, that good cause does not exist if the Contractor seeks to terminate a DBE it relied upon to obtain the contract so that the Contractor can self-perform the work for which the DBE contractor was engaged or so that the Contractor can substitute another DBE or non-DBE contractor after contract award.

When a DBE is terminated or fails to complete its work on the Contract for any reason, the Contractor shall make a good faith effort to find another DBE to substitute for the original DBE to perform at least the same amount of work under the contract as the terminated DBE to the extent needed to meet the established Contract goal. The good faith efforts shall be documented by the Contractor. If the Department requests documentation under this provision, the Contractor shall submit the documentation within seven days, which may be extended for an additional seven 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.

- (f) FINAL PAYMENT. After the performance of the final item of work or delivery of material by a DBE and final payment therefore to the DBE by the Contractor, but not later than 30 calendar days after payment has been made by the Department to the Contractor for such work or material, the Contractor shall submit a DBE Payment Agreement on Department form SBE 2115 to the Resident Engineer. If full and final payment has not been made to the DBE, the DBE Payment Agreement shall indicate whether a disagreement as to the payment required exists between the Contractor and the DBE or if the Contractor believes the work has not been satisfactorily completed. If the Contractor does not have the full amount of work indicated in the Utilization Plan performed by the DBE companies indicated in the Utilization Plan and after good faith efforts are reviewed, the Department may deduct from contract payments to the Contractor the amount of the goal not achieved as liquidated and ascertained damages. The Contractor may request an administrative reconsideration of any amount deducted as damages pursuant to subsection (h) of this part.
- (g) ENFORCEMENT. The Department reserves the right to withhold payment to the Contractor to enforce the provisions of this Special Provision. Final payment shall not be made on the contract until such time as the Contractor submits sufficient documentation demonstrating achievement of the goal in accordance with this Special Provision or after liquidated damages have been determined and collected.

- (h) RECONSIDERATION. Notwithstanding any other provision of the contract, including but not limited to Article 109.09 of the Standard Specifications, the Contractor may request administrative reconsideration of a decision to deduct the amount of the goal not achieved as liquidated damages. A request to reconsider shall be delivered to the Contract Compliance Section and shall be handled and considered in the same manner as set forth in paragraph (c) of “Good Faith Effort Procedures” of this Special Provision, except a final decision that a good faith effort was not made during contract performance to achieve the goal agreed to in the Utilization Plan shall be the final administrative decision of the Department. The result of the reconsideration process is not administratively appealable to the U.S. Department of Transportation.

**DISPOSAL FEES (BDE)**

Effective: November 1, 2018

Replace Articles 109.04(b)(5) – 109.04(b)(8) of the Standard Specifications with the following:

- “(5) Disposal Fees. When the extra work performed includes paying for disposal fees at a clean construction and demolition debris facility, an uncontaminated soil fill operation or a landfill, the Contractor shall receive, as administrative costs, an amount equal to five percent of the first \$10,000 and one percent of any amount over \$10,000 of the total approved costs of such fees.
- (6) Miscellaneous. No additional allowance will be made for general superintendence, the use of small tools, or other costs for which no specific allowance is herein provided.
- (7) Statements. No payment will be made for work performed on a force account basis until the Contractor has furnished the Engineer with itemized statements of the cost of such force account work. Statements shall be accompanied and supported by invoices for all materials used and transportation charges. However, if materials used on the force account work are not specifically purchased for such work but are taken from the Contractor’s stock, then in lieu of the invoices, the Contractor shall furnish an affidavit certifying that such materials were taken from his/her stock, that the quantity claimed was actually used, and that the price and transportation claimed represent the actual cost to the Contractor.

Itemized statements at the cost of force account work shall be detailed as follows.

- a. Name, classification, date, daily hours, total hours, rate, and extension for each laborer and foreman. Payrolls shall be submitted to substantiate actual wages paid if so requested by the Engineer.
- b. Designation, dates, daily hours, total hours, rental rate, and extension for each unit of machinery and equipment.
- c. Quantities of materials, prices and extensions.

- d. Transportation of materials.
  - e. Cost of property damage, liability and workmen's compensation insurance premiums, unemployment insurance contributions, and social security tax.
- (8) Work Performed by an Approved Subcontractor. When extra work is performed by an approved subcontractor, the Contractor shall receive, as administrative costs, an amount equal to five percent of the total approved costs of such work with the minimum payment being \$100.
- (9) All statements of the cost of force account work shall be furnished to the Engineer not later than 60 days after receipt of the Central Bureau of Construction form "Extra Work Daily Report". If the statement is not received within the specified time frame, all demands for payment for the extra work are waived and the Department is released from any and all such demands. It is the responsibility of the Contractor to ensure that all statements are received within the specified time regardless of the manner or method of delivery."

#### **EQUIPMENT PARKING AND STORAGE (BDE)**

Effective: November 1, 2017

Replace the first paragraph of Article 701.11 of the Standard Specifications with the following.

**"701.11 Equipment Parking and Storage.** During working hours, all vehicles and/or nonoperating equipment which are parked, two hours or less, shall be parked at least 8 ft (2.5 m) from the open traffic lane. For other periods of time during working and for all nonworking hours, all vehicles, materials, and equipment shall be parked or stored as follows.

- (a) When the project has adequate right-of-way, vehicles, materials, and equipment shall be located a minimum of 30 ft (9 m) from the pavement.
- (b) When adequate right-of-way does not exist, vehicles, materials, and equipment shall be located a minimum of 15 ft (4.5 m) from the edge of any pavement open to traffic.
- (c) Behind temporary concrete barrier, vehicles, materials, and equipment shall be located a minimum of 24 in. (600 mm) behind free standing barrier or a minimum of 6 in. (150 mm) behind barrier that is either pinned or restrained according to Article 704.04. The 24 in. or 6 in. measurement shall be from the base of the non-traffic side of the barrier.
- (d) Behind other man-made or natural barriers meeting the approval of the Engineer."

## **REMOVAL AND DISPOSAL OF REGULATED SUBSTANCES (BDE)**

Effective: January 1, 2019

Revised: January 1, 2020

Revise Section 669 of the Standard Specifications to read:

### **“SECTION 669. REMOVAL AND DISPOSAL OF REGULATED SUBSTANCES**

**669.01 Description.** This work shall consist of the transportation and proper disposal of regulated substances. This work shall also consist of the removal, transportation, and proper disposal of underground storage tanks (UST), their contents and associated underground piping to the point where the piping is above the ground, including determining the content types and estimated quantities.

**669.02 Equipment.** The Contractor shall notify the Engineer of the delivery of all excavation, storage, and transportation equipment to a work area location. The equipment shall comply with OSHA and American Petroleum Institute (API) guidelines and shall be furnished in a clean condition. Clean condition means the equipment does not contain any residual material classified as a non-special waste, non-hazardous special waste, or hazardous waste. Residual materials include, but are not limited to, petroleum products, chemical products, sludges, or any other material present in or on equipment.

Before beginning any associated soil or groundwater management activity, the Contractor shall provide the Engineer with the opportunity to visually inspect and approve the equipment. If the equipment contains any contaminated residual material, decontamination shall be performed on the equipment as appropriate to the regulated substance and degree of contamination present according to OSHA and API guidelines. All cleaning fluids used shall be treated as the contaminant unless laboratory testing proves otherwise.

**669.03 Pre-Construction Submittals and Qualifications.** Prior to beginning this work, or working in areas with regulated substances, the Contractor shall submit a “Regulated Substances Pre-Construction Plan (RSPCP)” to the Engineer for review and approval using form BDE 2730. The form shall be signed by an Illinois licensed Professional Engineer or Professional Geologist.

As part of the RSPCP, the Contractor(s) or firm(s) performing the work shall meet the following qualifications.

- (a) Regulated Substances Monitoring. Qualification for environmental observation and field screening of regulated substances work and environmental observation of UST removal shall require either pre-qualification in Hazardous Waste by the Department or demonstration of acceptable project experience in remediation and operations for contaminated sites in accordance with applicable Federal, State, or local regulatory requirements using BDE 2730.

Qualification for each individual performing regulated substances monitoring shall require a minimum of one-year of experience in similar activities as those required for the project.

- (b) **Underground Storage Tank Removal.** Qualification for underground storage tank (UST) removal work shall require licensing and certification with the Office of the State Fire Marshall (OSFM) and possession of all permits required to perform the work. A copy of the permit shall be provided to the Engineer prior to tank removal.

The qualified Contractor(s) or firm(s) shall also document it does not have any current or former ties with any of the properties contained within, adjoining, or potentially affecting the work.

The Engineer will require up to 21 calendar days for review of the RSPCP. The review may involve rejection or revision and resubmittal; in which case, an additional 21 days will be required for each subsequent review. Work shall not commence until the RSPCP has been approved by the Engineer. After approval, the RSPCP shall be revised as necessary to reflect changed conditions in the field and documented using BDE 2730A "Regulated Substances Pre-Construction Plan (RSPCP) Addendum" and submitted to the Engineer for approval.

## **CONSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS**

**669.04 Regulated Substances Monitoring.** Regulated substances monitoring includes environmental observation and field screening during regulated substances management activities at the contract specific work areas. As part of the regulated substances monitoring, the monitoring personnel shall perform and document the applicable duties listed on form BDE 2732 "Regulated Substances Monitoring Daily Record (RSMDR)".

- (a) **Environmental Observation.** Prior to beginning excavation, the Contractor shall mark the limits of the contract specific work areas. Once work begins, the monitoring personnel shall be present on-site continuously during the excavation and loading of material.
- (b) **Field Screening.** Field screening shall be performed during the excavation and loading of material from the contract specific work areas, except for material classified according to Article 669.05(b)(1) or 669.05(c) where field screening is not required.

Field screening shall be performed with either a photoionization detector (PID) (minimum 10.6eV lamp) or a flame ionization detector (FID), and other equipment as appropriate, to monitor for potential contaminants associated with regulated substances. The PID or FID shall be calibrated on-site, and background level readings taken and recorded daily, and as field and weather conditions change. Field screen readings on the PID or FID in excess of background levels indicates the potential presence of regulated substances requiring handling as a non-special waste, special waste, or hazardous waste. PID or FID readings may be used as the basis of increasing the limits of removal with the approval of the Engineer but shall in no case be used to decrease the limits.

**669.05 Regulated Substances Management and Disposal.** The management and disposal of soil and/or groundwater containing regulated substances shall be according to the following:



- (a) Soil Analytical Results Exceed Most Stringent MAC. When the soil analytical results indicate detected levels exceed the most stringent maximum allowable concentration (MAC) for chemical constituents in soil established pursuant to Subpart F of 35 Ill. Adm. Code 1100.605, the soil shall be managed as follows:
- (1) When analytical results indicate inorganic chemical constituents exceed the most stringent MAC, but still considered within area background levels by the Engineer, the excavated soil can be utilized within the right-of-way as embankment or fill, when suitable. If the soils cannot be utilized within the right-of-way, they shall be managed and disposed of at a landfill as a non-special waste.
  - (2) When analytical results indicate inorganic chemical constituents exceed the most stringent MAC but do not exceed the MAC for a Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) County identified in 35 Ill. Admin. Code 742 Appendix A. Table G, the excavated soil can be utilized within the right-of-way as embankment or fill, when suitable, or managed and disposed of at a clean construction and demolition debris (CCDD) facility or an uncontaminated soil fill operation (USFO) within an MSA County provided the pH of the soil is within the range of 6.25 - 9.0, inclusive.
  - (3) When analytical results indicate chemical constituents exceed the most stringent MAC but do not exceed the MAC for an MSA County excluding Chicago, or the MAC within the Chicago corporate limits, the excavated soil can be utilized within the right-of-way as embankment or fill, when suitable, or managed and disposed of off-site at a CCDD facility or an USFO within an MSA County excluding Chicago or within the Chicago corporate limits provided the pH of the soil is within the range of 6.25 - 9.0, inclusive.
  - (4) When analytical results indicate chemical constituents exceed the most stringent MAC but do not exceed the MAC for an MSA County excluding Chicago, the excavated soil can be utilized within the right-of-way as embankment or fill, when suitable, or managed and disposed of off-site at a CCDD facility or an USFO within an MSA County excluding Chicago provided the pH of the soil is within the range of 6.25 - 9.0, inclusive.
  - (5) When the Engineer determines soil cannot be managed according to Articles 669.05(a)(1) through (a)(4) above and the materials do not contain special waste or hazardous waste, as determined by the Engineer, the soil shall be managed and disposed of at a landfill as a non-special waste.
  - (6) When analytical results indicate soil is hazardous by characteristic or listing pursuant to 35 Ill. Admin. Code 721, contains radiological constituents, or the Engineer otherwise determines the soil cannot be managed according to Articles 669.05(a)(1) through (a)(5) above, the soil shall be managed and disposed of off-site as a special waste or hazardous waste as applicable.

- (b) Soil Analytical Results Do Not Exceed Most Stringent MAC. When the soil analytical results indicate that detected levels do not exceed the most stringent MAC, the excavated soil can be utilized within the right-of-way as embankment or fill, when suitable, or managed and disposed of off-site according to Article 202.03. However, the excavated soil cannot be taken to a CCDD facility or an USFO for any of the following reasons.
- (1) The pH of the soil is less than 6.25 or greater than 9.0.
  - (2) The soil exhibited PID or FID readings in excess of background levels.
- (c) Soil Analytical Results Exceed Most Stringent MAC but Do Not Exceed Tiered Approach to Corrective Action Objectives (TACO) Residential. When the soil analytical results indicate that detected levels exceed the most stringent MAC but do not exceed TACO Tier 1 Soil Remediation Objectives for Residential Properties pursuant to 35 Ill. Admin. Code 742 Appendix B Table A, the excavated soil can be utilized within the right-of-way as embankment or fill, when suitable, or managed and disposed of off-site according to Article 202.03. However, the excavated soil cannot be taken to a CCDD facility or an USFO.
- (d) Groundwater. When groundwater analytical results indicate the detected levels are above Appendix B, Table E of 35 Ill. Admin. Code 742, the most stringent Tier 1 Groundwater Remediation Objectives for Groundwater Component of the Groundwater Ingestion Route for Class 1 groundwater, the groundwater shall be managed off-site as a special waste or hazardous waste as applicable. Special waste groundwater shall be containerized and trucked to an off-site treatment facility, or may be discharged to a sanitary sewer or combined sewer when permitted by the local sewer authority. Groundwater discharged to a sanitary sewer or combined sewer shall be pre-treated to remove particulates and measured with a calibrated flow meter to comply with applicable discharge limits. A copy of the permit shall be provided to the Engineer prior to discharging groundwater to the sanitary sewer or combined sewer.

Groundwater encountered within trenches may be managed within the trench and allowed to infiltrate back into the ground. If the groundwater cannot be managed within the trench, it may be discharged to a sanitary sewer or combined sewer when permitted by the local sewer authority, or it shall be containerized and trucked to an off-site treatment facility as a special waste or hazardous waste. The Contractor is prohibited from discharging groundwater within the trench through a storm sewer. The Contractor shall install backfill plugs within the area of groundwater contamination.

One backfill plug shall be placed down gradient to the area of groundwater contamination. Backfill plugs shall be installed at intervals not to exceed 50 ft (15 m). Backfill plugs are to be 4 ft (1.2 m) long, measured parallel to the trench, full trench width and depth. Backfill plugs shall not have any fine aggregate bedding or backfill, but shall be entirely cohesive soil or any class of concrete. The Contractor shall provide test data that the material has a permeability of less than  $10^{-7}$  cm/sec according to ASTM D 5084, Method A or per another test method approved by the Engineer.

The Contractor shall use due care when transferring contaminated material from the area of origin to the transporter. Should releases of contaminated material to the environment occur (i.e., spillage onto the ground, etc.), the Contractor shall clean-up spilled material and place in the appropriate storage containers as previously specified. Clean-up shall include, but not be limited to, sampling beneath the material staging area to determine complete removal of the spilled material.

The Contractor shall provide engineered barriers, when required, and shall include materials sufficient to completely line excavation surfaces, including sloped surfaces, bottoms, and sidewall faces, within the areas designated for protection.

The Contractor shall obtain all documentation including any permits and/or licenses required to transport the material containing regulated substances to the disposal facility. The Contractor shall coordinate with the Engineer on the completion of all documentation. The Contractor shall make all arrangements for collection and analysis of landfill acceptance testing. The Contractor shall coordinate waste disposal approvals with the disposal facility.

The Contractor shall provide the Engineer with all transport-related documentation within two days of transport or receipt of said document(s). For management of special or hazardous waste, the Contractor shall provide the Engineer with documentation that the Contractor is operating with a valid Illinois special waste transporter permit at least two weeks before transporting the first load of contaminated material.

Transportation and disposal of material classified according to Article 669.05(a)(5) or 669.05(a)(6) shall be completed each day so that none of the material remains on-site by the close of business, except when temporary staging has been approved.

Any waste generated as a special or hazardous waste from a non-fixed facility shall be manifested off-site using the Department's county generator number provided by the Bureau of Design and Environment. An authorized representative of the Department shall sign all manifests for the disposal of the contaminated material and confirm the Contractor's transported volume. Any waste generated as a non-special waste may be managed off-site without a manifest, a special waste transporter, or a generator number.

The Contractor shall select a landfill permitted for disposal of the contaminant within the State of Illinois. The Department will review and approve or reject the facility proposed by the Contractor to use as a landfill. The Contractor shall verify whether the selected disposal facility is compliant with those applicable standards as mandated by their permit and whether the disposal facility is presently, has previously been, or has never been, on the United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) National Priorities List or the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) List of Violating Facilities. The use of a Contractor selected landfill shall in no manner delay the construction schedule or alter the Contractor's responsibilities as set forth.

**669.06 Non-Special Waste Certification.** An authorized representative of the Department shall sign and date all non-special waste certifications. The Contractor shall be responsible for providing the Engineer with the required information that will allow the Engineer to certify the waste is not a special waste.

- (a) Definition. A waste is considered a non-special waste as long as it is not:
- (1) a potentially infectious medical waste;
  - (2) a hazardous waste as defined in 35 Ill. Admin. Code 721;
  - (3) an industrial process waste or pollution control waste that contains liquids, as determined using the paint filter test set forth in subdivision (3)(A) of subsection (m) of 35 Ill. Admin. Code 811.107;
  - (4) a regulated asbestos-containing waste material, as defined under the National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants in 40 CFR Part 61.141;
  - (5) a material containing polychlorinated biphenyls (PCB's) regulated pursuant to 40 CFR Part 761;
  - (6) a material subject to the waste analysis and recordkeeping requirements of 35 Ill. Admin. Code 728.107 under land disposal restrictions of 35 Ill. Admin. Code 728;
  - (7) a waste material generated by processing recyclable metals by shredding and required to be managed as a special waste under Section 22.29 of the Environmental Protection Act; or
  - (8) an empty portable device or container in which a special or hazardous waste has been stored, transported, treated, disposed of, or otherwise handled.
- (b) Certification Information. All information used to determine the waste is not a special waste shall be attached to the certification. The information shall include but not be limited to:
- (1) the means by which the generator has determined the waste is not a hazardous waste;
  - (2) the means by which the generator has determined the waste is not a liquid;
  - (3) if the waste undergoes testing, the analytic results obtained from testing, signed and dated by the person responsible for completing the analysis;
  - (4) if the waste does not undergo testing, an explanation as to why no testing is needed;
  - (5) a description of the process generating the waste; and
  - (6) relevant material safety data sheets.

**669.07 Temporary Staging.** Soil classified according to Articles 669.05(a)(2), (b)(1), or (c) may be temporarily staged at the Contractor's option. Soil classified according to Articles 669.05(a)(1), (a)(3), (a)(4), (a)(5), (a)(6), or (b)(2) shall be managed and disposed of without temporary staging to the greatest extent practicable. If circumstances beyond the Contractor's control require temporary staging of these latter materials, the Contractor shall request approval from the Engineer in writing.

Temporary staging shall be accomplished within the right-of-way and the Contractor's means and methods shall be described in the approved or amended RSPCP. Staging areas shall not be located within 200 feet (61 m) of a public or private water supply well; nor within 100 feet (30 m) of sensitive environmental receptor areas, including wetlands, rivers, streams, lakes, or designated habitat zones.

The method of staging shall consist of containerization or stockpiling as applicable for the type, classification, and physical state (i.e., liquid, solid, semisolid) of the material. Materials of different classifications shall be staged separately with no mixing or co-mingling.

When containers are used, the containers and their contents shall remain intact and inaccessible to unauthorized persons until the manner of disposal is determined. The Contractor shall be responsible for all activities associated with the storage containers including, but not limited to, the procurement, transport, and labeling of the containers. The Contractor shall not use a storage container if visual inspection of the container reveals the presence of free liquids or other substances that could cause the waste to be reclassified as a hazardous or special waste.

When stockpiles are used, they shall be covered with a minimum 20-mil plastic sheeting or tarps secured using weights or tie-downs. Perimeter berms or diversionary trenches shall be provided to contain and collect for disposal any water that drains from the soil. Stockpiles shall be managed to prevent or reduce potential dust generation.

When staging non-special waste, special waste, or hazardous waste, the following additional requirements shall apply:

- (a) **Non-Special Waste.** When stockpiling soil classified according to Article 669.05(a)(1) or 669.05(a)(5), an impermeable surface barrier between the materials and the ground surface shall be installed. The impermeable barrier shall consist of a minimum 20-mil plastic liner material and the surface of the stockpile area shall be clean and free of debris prior to placement of the liner. Measures shall also be taken to limit or discourage access to the staging area.
- (b) **Special Waste and Hazardous Waste.** Soil classified according to Article 669.05(a)(6) shall not be stockpiled but shall be containerized immediately upon generation in containers, tanks or containment buildings as defined by RCRA, Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA), and other applicable State or local regulations and requirements, including 35 Ill. Admin. Code Part 722, Standards Applicable to Generators of Hazardous Waste.

The staging area(s) shall be enclosed (by a fence or other structure) to restrict direct access to the area, and all required regulatory identification signs applicable to a staging area containing special waste or hazardous waste shall be deployed.

Storage containers shall be placed on an all-weather gravel-packed, asphalt, or concrete surface. Containers shall be in good condition and free of leaks, large dents, or severe rusting, which may compromise containment integrity. Containers must be constructed of, or lined with, materials that will not react or be otherwise incompatible with the hazardous or special waste contents. Containers used to store liquids shall not be filled more than 80 percent of the rated capacity. Incompatible wastes shall not be placed in the same container or comingled.

All containers shall be legibly labeled and marked using pre-printed labels and permanent marker in accordance with applicable regulations, clearly showing the date of waste generation, location and/or area of waste generation, and type of waste. The Contractor shall place these identifying markings on an exterior side surface of the container.

Storage containers shall be kept closed, and storage pads covered, except when access is needed by authorized personnel.

Special waste and hazardous waste shall be transported and disposed within 90 days from the date of generation.

**669.08 Underground Storage Tank Removal.** For the purposes of this section, an underground storage tank (UST) includes the underground storage tank, piping, electrical controls, pump island, vent pipes and appurtenances.

Prior to removing an UST, the Engineer shall determine whether the Department is considered an "owner" or "operator" of the UST as defined by the UST regulations (41 Ill. Adm. Code Part 176). Ownership of the UST refers to the Department's owning title to the UST during storage, use or dispensing of regulated substances. The Department may be considered an "operator" of the UST if it has control of, or has responsibility for, the daily operation of the UST. The Department may however voluntarily undertake actions to remove an UST from the ground without being deemed an "operator" of the UST.

In the event the Department is deemed not to be the "owner" or "operator" of the UST, the OSFM removal permit shall reflect who was the past "owner" or "operator" of the UST. If the "owner" or "operator" cannot be determined from past UST registration documents from OSFM, then the OSFM removal permit will state the "owner" or "operator" of the UST is the Department. The Department's Office of Chief Counsel (OCC) will review all UST removal permits prior to submitting any removal permit to the OSFM. If the Department is not the "owner" or "operator" of the UST then it will not register the UST or pay any registration fee.

The Contractor shall be responsible for obtaining permits required for removing the UST, notification to the OSFM, using an OSFM certified tank contractor, removal and disposal of the UST and its contents, and preparation and submittal of the OSFM Site Assessment Report in accordance with 41 Ill. Admin. Code Part 176.330.

The Contractor shall contact the Engineer and the OSFM's office at least 72 hours prior to removal to confirm the OSFM inspector's presence during the UST removal. Removal, transport, and disposal of the UST shall be according to the applicable portions of the latest revision of the "American Petroleum Institute (API) Recommended Practice 1604".

The Contractor shall collect and analyze tank content (sludge) for disposal purposes. The Contractor shall remove as much of the regulated substance from the UST system as necessary to prevent further release into the environment. All contents within the tank shall be removed, transported and disposed of, or recycled. The tank shall be removed and rendered empty according to IEPA definition.

The Contractor shall collect soil samples from the bottom and sidewalls of the excavated area in accordance with 35 Ill. Admin. Code Part 734.210(h) after the required backfill has been removed during the initial response action, to determine the level of contamination remaining in the ground, regardless if a release is confirmed or not by the OSFM on-site inspector.

In the event the UST is designated a leaking underground storage tank (LUST) by the OSFM's inspector, or confirmation by analytical results, the Contractor shall notify the Engineer and the District Environmental Studies Unit (DESU). Upon confirmation of a release of contaminants and notifications to the Engineer and DESU, the Contractor shall report the release to the Illinois Emergency Management Agency (IEMA) (e.g., by telephone or electronic mail) and provide them with whatever information is available ("owner" or "operator" shall be stated as the past registered "owner" or "operator", or the IDOT District in which the tank is located and the DESU Manager).

The Contractor shall perform the following initial response actions if a release is indicated by the OSFM inspector:

- (a) Take immediate action to prevent any further release of the regulated substance to the environment, which may include removing, at the Engineer's discretion, and disposing of up to 4 ft (1.2 m) of the contaminated material, as measured from the outside dimension of the tank;
- (b) Identify and mitigate fire, explosion and vapor hazards;
- (c) Visually inspect any above ground releases or exposed below ground releases and prevent further migration of the released substance into surrounding soils and groundwater; and
- (d) Continue to monitor and mitigate any additional fire and safety hazards posed by vapors and free product that have migrated from the tank excavation zone and entered into subsurface structures (such as sewers or basements).

The tank excavation shall be backfilled according to applicable portions of Sections 205, 208, and 550 with a material that will compact and develop stability. All uncontaminated concrete and soil removed during tank extraction may be used to backfill the excavation, at the discretion of the Engineer.

After backfilling the excavation, the site shall be graded and cleaned.

**669.09 Regulated Substances Final Construction Report.** Not later than 90 days after completing this work, the Contractor shall submit a “Regulated Substances Final Construction Report (RSFCR)” to the Engineer using form BDE 2733 and required attachments. The form shall be signed by an Illinois licensed Professional Engineer or Professional Geologist.

**669.10 Method of Measurement.** Non-special waste, special waste, and hazardous waste soil will be measured for payment according to Article 202.07(b) when performing earth excavation, Article 502.12(b) when excavating for structures, or by computing the volume of the trench using the maximum trench width permitted and the actual depth of the trench.

Groundwater containerized and transported off-site for management, storage, and disposal will be measured for payment in gallons (liters).

Backfill plugs will be measured in cubic yards (cubic meters) in place, except the quantity for which payment will be made shall not exceed the volume of the trench, as computed by using the maximum width of trench permitted by the Specifications and the actual depth of the trench, with a deduction for the volume of the pipe.

Engineered Barriers will be measured for payment in square yards (square meters).

**669.11 Basis of Payment.** The work of preparing, submitting and administering a Regulated Substances Pre-Construction Plan will be paid for at the contract lump sum price for REGULATED SUBSTANCES PRE-CONSTRUCTION PLAN.

Regulated substances monitoring, including completion of form BDE 2732 for each day of work, will be paid for at the contract unit price per calendar day, or fraction thereof to the nearest 0.5 calendar day, for REGULATED SUBSTANCES MONITORING.

The installation of engineered barriers will be paid for at the contract unit price per square yard (square meter) for ENGINEERED BARRIER.

The work of UST removal, soil excavation, soil and content sampling, the management of excavated soil and UST content, and UST disposal, will be paid for at the contract unit price per each for UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK REMOVAL.

The transportation and disposal of soil and other materials from an excavation determined to be contaminated will be paid for at the contract unit price per cubic yard (cubic meter) for NON-SPECIAL WASTE DISPOSAL, SPECIAL WASTE DISPOSAL, or HAZARDOUS WASTE DISPOSAL.

The transportation and disposal of groundwater from an excavation determined to be contaminated will be paid for at the contract unit price per gallon (liter) for SPECIAL WASTE GROUNDWATER DISPOSAL or HAZARDOUS WASTE GROUNDWATER DISPOSAL. When groundwater is discharged to a sanitary or combined sewer by permit, the cost will be paid for according to Article 109.05.



Backfill plugs will be paid for at the contract unit price per cubic yard (cubic meter) for BACKFILL PLUGS.

Payment for temporary staging of soil classified according to Articles 669.05(a)(1), (a)(3), (a)(4), (a)(5), (a)(6), or (b)(2) will be paid for according to Article 109.04. The Department will not be responsible for any additional costs incurred, if mismanagement of the staging area, storage containers, or their contents by the Contractor results in excess cost expenditure for disposal or other material management requirements.

Payment for accumulated stormwater removal and disposal will be according to Article 109.04. Payment will only be allowed if appropriate stormwater and erosion control methods were used.

Payment for decontamination, labor, material, and equipment for monitoring areas beyond the specified areas, with the Engineer's prior written approval, will be according to Article 109.04.

When the waste material for disposal requires sampling for landfill disposal acceptance, the samples shall be analyzed for TCLP VOCs, SVOCs, RCRA metals, pH, ignitability, and paint filter test. The analysis will be paid for at the contract unit price per each for SOIL DISPOSAL ANALYSIS using EPA Methods 1311 (extraction), 8260B for VOCs, 8270C for SVOCs, 6010B and 7470A for RCRA metals, 9045C for pH, 1030 for ignitability, and 9095A for paint filter.

The work of preparing, submitting and administering a Regulated Substances Final Construction Report will be paid for at the contract lump sum price REGULATED SUBSTANCES FINAL CONSTRUCTION REPORT.”

#### **SUBCONTRACTOR AND DBE PAYMENT REPORTING (BDE)**

Effective: April 2, 2018

Add the following to Section 109 of the Standard Specifications.

**“109.14 Subcontractor and Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Payment Reporting.**  
The Contractor shall report all payments made to the following parties:

- (a) first tier subcontractors;
- (b) lower tier subcontractors affecting disadvantaged business enterprise (DBE) goal credit;
- (c) material suppliers or trucking firms that are part of the Contractor's submitted DBE utilization plan.

The report shall be made through the Department's on-line subcontractor payment reporting system within 21 days of making the payment.”

**SUBCONTRACTOR MOBILIZATION PAYMENTS (BDE)**

Effective: November 2, 2017

Revised: April 1, 2019

Replace the second paragraph of Article 109.12 of the Standard Specifications with the following:

“This mobilization payment shall be made at least seven days prior to the subcontractor starting work. The amount paid shall be at the following percentage of the amount of the subcontract reported on form BC 260A submitted for the approval of the subcontractor’s work.

Value of Subcontract Reported on Form BC 260A	Mobilization Percentage
Less than \$10,000	25%
\$10,000 to less than \$20,000	20%
\$20,000 to less than \$40,000	18%
\$40,000 to less than \$60,000	16%
\$60,000 to less than \$80,000	14%
\$80,000 to less than \$100,000	12%
\$100,000 to less than \$250,000	10%
\$250,000 to less than \$500,000	9%
\$500,000 to \$750,000	8%
Over \$750,000	7%”

**TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES - CONES (BDE)**

Effective: January 1, 2019

Revise Article 701.15(a) of the Standard Specifications to read:

“(a) Cones. Cones are used to channelize traffic. Cones used to channelize traffic at night shall be reflectorized; however, cones shall not be used in nighttime lane closure tapers or nighttime lane shifts.”

Revise Article 1106.02(b) of the Standard Specifications to read:

“(b) Cones. Cones shall be predominantly orange. Cones used at night that are 28 to 36 in. (700 to 900 mm) in height shall have two white circumferential stripes. If non-reflective spaces are left between the stripes, the spaces shall be no more than 2 in. (50mm) in width. Cones used at night that are taller than 36 in. (900 mm) shall have a minimum of two white and two fluorescent orange alternating, circumferential stripes with the top stripe being fluorescent orange. If non-reflective spaces are left between the stripes, the spaces shall be no more than 3 in. (75 mm) in width.

The minimum weights for the various cone heights shall be 4 lb for 18 in. (2 kg for 450 mm), 7 lb for 28 in. (3 kg for 700 mm), and 10 lb for 36 in. (5 kg for 900 mm) with a minimum of 60 percent of the total weight in the base. Cones taller than 36 in. shall be weighted per the manufacturer’s specifications such that they are not moved by wind or passing traffic.”

**WEEKLY DBE TRUCKING REPORTS (BDE)**

Effective: June 2, 2012

Revised: April 2, 2015

The Contractor shall submit a weekly report of Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) trucks hired by the Contractor or subcontractors (i.e. not owned by the Contractor or subcontractors) that are used for DBE goal credit.

The report shall be submitted to the Engineer on Department form "SBE 723" within ten business days following the reporting period. The reporting period shall be Monday through Sunday for each week reportable trucking activities occur.

Any costs associated with providing weekly DBE trucking reports shall be considered as included in the contract unit prices bid for the various items of work involved and no additional compensation will be allowed.

**WORK ZONE TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES (BDE)**

Effective: March 2, 2020

Add the following to Article 701.03 of the Standard Specifications:

"(q) Temporary Sign Supports ..... 1106.02"

Revise the third paragraph of Article 701.14 of the Standard Specifications to read:

"For temporary sign supports, the Contractor shall provide a FHWA eligibility letter for each device used on the contract. The letter shall provide information for the set-up and use of the device as well as a detailed drawing of the device. The signs shall be supported within 20 degrees of vertical. Weights used to stabilize signs shall be attached to the sign support per the manufacturer's specifications."

Revise the first paragraph of Article 701.15 of the Standard Specifications to read:

" **701.15 Traffic Control Devices.** For devices that must meet crashworthiness standards, the Contractor shall provide a manufacturer's self-certification or a FHWA eligibility letter for each Category 1 device and a FHWA eligibility letter for each Category 2 and Category 3 device used on the contract. The self-certification or letter shall provide information for the set-up and use of the device as well as a detailed drawing of the device."

Revise the first six paragraphs of Article 1106.02 of the Standard Specifications to read:

“ **1106.02 Devices.** Work zone traffic control devices and combinations of devices shall meet crashworthiness standards for their respective categories. The categories are as follows.

Category 1 includes small, lightweight, channelizing and delineating devices that have been in common use for many years and are known to be crashworthy by crash testing of similar devices or years of demonstrable safe performance. These include cones, tubular markers, plastic drums, and delineators, with no attachments (e.g. lights). Category 1 devices manufactured after December 31, 2019 shall be MASH-16 compliant. Category 1 devices manufactured on or before December 31, 2019, and compliant with NCHRP 350 or MASH 2009, may be used on contracts let before December 31, 2024.

Category 2 includes devices that are not expected to produce significant vehicular velocity change but may otherwise be hazardous. These include vertical panels with lights, barricades, temporary sign supports, and Category 1 devices with attachments (e.g. drums with lights). Category 2 devices manufactured after December 31, 2019 shall be MASH-16 compliant. Category 2 devices manufactured on or before December 31, 2019, and compliant with NCHRP 350 or MASH 2009, may be used on contracts let before December 31, 2024.

Category 3 includes devices that are expected to cause significant velocity changes or other potentially harmful reactions to impacting vehicles. These include crash cushions (impact attenuators), truck mounted attenuators, and other devices not meeting the definitions of Category 1 or 2. Category 3 devices manufactured after December 31, 2019 shall be MASH-16 compliant. Category 3 devices manufactured on or before December 31, 2019, and compliant with NCHRP 350 or MASH 2009, may be used on contracts let before December 31, 2029. Category 3 devices shall be crash tested for Test Level 3 or the test level specified.

Category 4 includes portable or trailer-mounted devices such as arrow boards, changeable message signs, temporary traffic signals, and area lighting supports. It is preferable for Category 4 devices manufactured after December 31, 2019 to be MASH-16 compliant; however, there are currently no crash tested devices in this category, so it remains exempt from the NCHRP 350 or MASH compliance requirement.

For each type of device, when no more than one MASH-16 compliant is available, an NCHRP 350 or MASH-2009 compliant device may be used, even if manufactured after December 31, 2019.”

Revise Articles 1106.02(g), 1106.02(k), and 1106.02(l) to read:

“(g) Truck Mounted/Trailer Mounted Attenuators. The attenuator shall be approved for use at Test Level 3. Test Level 2 may be used for normal posted speeds less than or equal to 45 mph.

(k) Temporary Water Filled Barrier. The water filled barrier shall be a lightweight plastic shell designed to accept water ballast and be on the Department’s qualified product list.

Shop drawings shall be furnished by the manufacturer and shall indicate the deflection of the barrier as determined by acceptance testing; the configuration of the barrier in that test; and the vehicle weight, velocity, and angle of impact of the deflection test. The Engineer shall be provided one copy of the shop drawings.

(l) Movable Traffic Barrier. The movable traffic barrier shall be on the Department’s qualified product list.

Shop drawings shall be furnished by the manufacturer and shall indicate the deflection of the barrier as determined by acceptance testing; the configuration of the barrier in that test; and the vehicle weight, velocity, and angle of impact of the deflection test. The Engineer shall be provided one copy of the shop drawings. The barrier shall be capable of being moved on and off the roadway on a daily basis.”

## **REVISIONS TO THE ILLINOIS PREVAILING WAGE RATES**

The Prevailing rates of wages are included in the Contract proposals which are subject to Check Sheet #5 of the Supplemental Specifications and Recurring Special Provisions. The rates have been ascertained and certified by the Illinois Department of Labor for the locality in which the work is to be performed and for each craft or type of work or mechanic needed to execute the work of the Contract. As required by Prevailing Wage Act (820 ILCS 130/0.01, et seq.) and Check Sheet #5 of the Contract, not less than the rates of wages ascertained by the Illinois Department of Labor and as revised during the performance of a Contract shall be paid to all laborers, workers and mechanics performing work under the Contract. Post the scale of wages in a prominent and easily accessible place at the site of work.

If the Illinois Department of Labor revises the prevailing rates of wages to be paid as listed in the specification of rates, the contractor shall post the revised rates of wages and shall pay not less than the revised rates of wages. Current wage rate information shall be obtained by visiting the Illinois Department of Labor web site at <http://www.state.il.us/agency/idol/> or by calling 312-793-2814. It is the responsibility of the contractor to review the rates applicable to the work of the contract at regular intervals in order to insure the timely payment of current rates. Provision of this information to the contractor by means of the Illinois Department of Labor web site satisfies the notification of revisions by the Department to the contractor pursuant to the Act, and the contractor agrees that no additional notice is required. The contractor shall notify each of its subcontractors of the revised rates of wages.