

## GENERAL NOTES

1. THE THICKNESS OF HOT MIX ASPHALT SHOWN ON THE PLANS IS THE NOMINAL THICKNESS. DEVIATIONS FROM THE NOMINAL THICKNESS WILL BE PERMITTED WHEN SUCH DEVIATIONS OCCUR DUE TO IRREGULARITIES IN THE EXISTING SURFACE OR BASE ON WHICH THE HOT MIX ASPHALT IS PLACED.
2. IF SO DIRECTED BY THE ENGINEER, DITCHES ADJACENT TO EMBANKMENTS SHALL BE CONSTRUCTED PRIOR TO STARTING THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE EMBANKMENT FILL.
3. FACTORS USED FOR ESTIMATING PLAN QUANTITIES ARE AS FOLLOWS AND SHALL NOT BE USED FOR THE BASIS OF FINAL QUANTITIES:
 

ALL HOT MIX ASPHALT	2.016 TONS/CU YD
ALL AGGREGATE	2.05 TONS/CU YD
BITUMINOUS MATERIALS:	
ON PAVEMENT	0.09 GAL/SO YD
INTERMEDIATE LIFTS (FOG COATS)	0.04 GAL/SO YD
ON AGGREGATE SURFACE	0.32 GAL/SO YD
AGGREGATE (PRIME COAT)	0.0015 TONS/SO YD
RIPRAP	1.50 TONS/CU YD
4. AT ALL LOCATIONS WHERE THE PROPOSED BITUMINOUS OR CONCRETE PAVEMENT JOINS AN EXISTING BITUMINOUS OR CONCRETE PAVEMENT, A FULL DEPTH SAWED JOINT SHALL BE CONSTRUCTED. THE COST OF THIS JOINT WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE COST OF THE TYPE OF PAVEMENT BEING CONSTRUCTED.
5. THE QUANTITY FOR BITUMINOUS MATERIALS PRIME COAT INCLUDES PRIME COAT ON MILLED SECTIONS AND FULL DEPTH PAVEMENT BETWEEN THE AGGREGATE, BASE AND SURFACE COURSES. THE ACTUAL QUANTITY MAY VARY DEPENDENT ON THE CONTRACTOR'S SEQUENCE OF OPERATIONS AND AS DIRECTED BY THE ENGINEER.
6. AFTER A LIFT OF BITUMINOUS CONCRETE HAS BEEN PLACED ON A LANE, THAT LANE SHALL REMAIN CLOSED TO TRAFFIC UNTIL THE NEW MAT HAS COOLED TO 150°F.
7. BITUMINOUS RESURFACING SHALL BE PLACED IN A SEQUENCE THAT WILL MINIMIZE THE TIME THE CENTERLINE EDGE IS EXPOSED TO TRAFFIC. WHEN AT THE END OF A DAY'S OPERATION THE EXPOSED CENTERLINE EDGE IS GREATER THAN 600 METERS (2,000 FT.), THE CONTRACTOR SHALL BE REQUIRED TO PAVE IN THE ADJACENT LANE ON THE FOLLOWING WORK DAY. PRIOR TO WINTER SHUTDOWN, RESURFACING ON ADJACENT LANES IS TO BE BROUGHT UP TO THE SAME ELEVATION.
8. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL STAMP STATIONING IN THE HOT-MIX ASPHALT SURFACE AT 300 FT. INTERVALS ON THE OUTSIDE EDGE OF PAVEMENT AND AS DIRECTED BY THE ENGINEER. THE STATION SYMBOL STAMPS USED SHALL BE FURNISHED BY THE CONTRACTOR. THEY SHALL BE 5 1/2" TALL OF A DESIGN APPROVED BY THE ENGINEER, AND SHALL REMAIN THE PROPERTY OF THE CONTRACTOR.
9. ANY MIXING OR PLACEMENT OF BITUMINOUS MIXTURES OCCURRING PRIOR TO THE TEST STRIP EVALUATION IS AT THE CONTRACTOR'S OWN RISK.
10. TRENCH BACKFILL REQUIRED FOR STORM SEWER SHALL ONLY BE PLACED UP TO ONE FOOT BELOW THE FINAL GRADE IN AREAS HAVING A PROPOSED GRASS OR SOD SURFACE.
11. ALL PIPE CULVERT OR STORM SEWER EXTENSIONS SHALL BE CONSTRUCTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH METHOD II AS SPECIFIED IN ARTICLE 542.05 OF THE STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS. PRIOR TO EXTENDING ANY PIPE CULVERT OR STORM SEWER, THE ENTIRE LENGTH OF THE EXISTING PIPE CULVERT OR STORM SEWER SHALL BE CLEANED OF ALL EARTH AND DEBRIS BY THE CONTRACTOR TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE ENGINEER. THE COST OF THIS WORK SHALL BE PAID FOR ACCORDING TO ARTICLE 109.04.
12. CONNECTING OF NEW OR EXISTING STORM SEWERS TO NEW OR EXISTING INLETS OR MANHOLES SHALL BE MADE IN A MANNER WHICH RESULTS IN A NEAT AND WATERTIGHT JOINT. WHEN PLACED THROUGH THE WALL OF AN INLET OR MANHOLE, STORM SEWER PIPE SHALL BE PLACED OR CUT FLUSH WITH THE FACE OF THE WALL AND DRESSED WITH MORTAR TO PROVIDE A SMOOTH ROUNDED OR BEVELED EDGE. THIS WORK WILL NOT BE PAID FOR SEPARATELY, BUT SHALL BE CONSIDERED AS INCLUDED AS INCLUDED IN THE CONTRACT UNIT PRICES OF THE STORM SEWERS OR STRUCTURES INVOLVED.
13. THE REMOVAL OF BROKEN CONCRETE IN EXISTING DITCHES SHALL BE INCLUDED IN THE COST OF EARTH EXCAVATION.
14. EXISTING SURFACE DISTURBED DURING EXCAVATION FOR FOUNDATIONS AND PUSH PITS SHALL BE RESTORED TO THE LIMITS AND CONDITION SPECIFIED BY THE ENGINEER OR AS SHOWN ON THE PLANS. UNLESS NOTED OTHERWISE ON THE PLANS THE REMOVAL AND RESTORATION SHALL BE INCLUDED IN THE CONTRACT.
15. THE EXISTING ROAD SIGNS THAT INTERFERE WITH CONSTRUCTION WILL BE REMOVED OR RELOCATED AS DIRECTED BY THE ENGINEER ACCORDING TO ARTICLE 107.25 OF THE STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS. AFTER THE CONSTRUCTION IS COMPLETED, THE STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS. AFTER THE CONSTRUCTION IS COMPLETED, THE CONTRACTOR WILL RE-ERECT THE SIGNS AS DIRECTED BY THE ENGINEER. THIS WORK WILL NOT BE PAID FOR SEPARATELY BUT SHALL BE CONSIDERED INCIDENTAL TO THE CONTRACT AND NO COMPENSATION WILL BE ALLOWED.
16. UTILITIES ARE SHOWN IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE BEST AVAILABLE INFORMATION AND THEIR TRUE LOCATIONS ARE NOT GUARANTEED TO BE AS SHOWN IN THE PLANS.
17. PRIOR TO PLACEMENT OF THE FINAL PAVEMENT MARKINGS THE RESIDENT ENGINEER SHOULD CONTACT THE BUREAU OF OPERATIONS AND ARRANGE FOR INSPECTION AND APPROVAL OF THE PAVEMENT MARKING LAYOUT.
18. TREES SHALL BE PRESERVED THROUGHOUT THIS SECTION AS SHOWN ON THE PLANS AND AS DIRECTED BY THE ENGINEER. GENERALLY, TREES OUTSIDE THE CLEAR ZONE, AND WHICH DO NOT INTERFERE WITH CONSTRUCTION, SHALL NOT BE DISTURBED.
19. THE QUANTITY OF SHORT TERM PAVEMENT MARKING SHOWN IN THE PLANS IS BASED ON AN APPLICATION EACH FOR THE SURFACE COURSE AND BINDER COURSE.
20. EXISTING PIPE UNDERDRAIN OUTLETS IN THE FORESLOPES OR MEDIAN SLOPES SHALL BE PRESERVED AND PROTECTED DURING CONSTRUCTION. ANY DAMAGE TO AN UNDERDRAIN OUTLET RESULTING FROM CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY SHALL BE REPAIRED AT THE CONTRACTOR'S EXPENSE.
21. IN ADDITION TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF ARTICLE 107.16 THE CONTRACTOR SHALL PROTECT THE SURFACE OF ALL BRIDGE DECKS AND BRIDGE APPROACH PAVEMENTS IN A MANNER SATISFACTORY TO THE ENGINEER BEFORE ANY EQUIPMENT IS ALLOWED TO CROSS THE STRUCTURE. PROTECTION SHALL BE PROVIDED FOR ALL EQUIPMENT AS DEFINED IN ARTICLE 101.16 REGARDLESS IF TRACK MOUNTED OR WHEELED.
22. EARTH MEDIAN DITCH CHECKS SHALL BE INCLUDED IN THE COST OF EARTH EXCAVATION.
23. STONE RIP RAP USED IN DITCHES SHALL BE PLACED IMMEDIATELY UPON COMPLETION OF EARTHWORK AND GRADING IN ORDER TO PREVENT EROSION.
24. IT WILL BE THE CONTRACTOR'S RESPONSIBILITY TO REMOVE ANY DEBRIS OR DIRT CAUSED BY CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY THAT COVERS THE NEW RIP RAP AND NO ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION WILL BE ALLOWED.
25. EXISTING UNDERGROUND AND ABOVE-GRADE FACILITIES, STRUCTURES, AND UTILITIES HAVE BEEN PLOTTED ON THESE CONTRACT DOCUMENTS BASED UPON THE INFORMATION AND SURVEYS AVAILABLE AT THE TIME OF DRAWING PREPARATION. THE LOCATION OF THESE FEATURES MUST, THEREFORE, BE CONSIDERED APPROXIMATE ONLY. IN ADDITION, THERE MAY BE OTHER FACILITIES, STRUCTURES, AND UTILITIES WHICH DID NOT EXIST OR THE EXISTENCE OF WHICH WAS NOT KNOWN AT THE TIME OF DRAWING PREPARATION. IT IS THE SOLE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE CONTRACTOR(S) TO HAVE ALL EXISTING FACILITIES, STRUCTURES, AND UTILITIES LOCATED IN THE FIELD PRIOR TO ANY EXCAVATION OR CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY; AND TO PROTECT ALL SUCH EXISTING FEATURES DURING CONSTRUCTION.
26. GRADING SHALL BE DONE BY HAND AROUND LIGHT POLE, UTILITY POLES, SIGN POSTS, SHRUBS, TREES OR OTHER NATURAL OR MAN-MADE OBJECTS WHERE SHALLOW FILLS OR CUTS ARE ADJACENT TO THE ITEMS. IT IS THE INTENT THAT THE LIMITS OF CONSTRUCTION BE SUCH AS TO PRESERVE IN THE ORIGINAL STATE AS MUCH AREA AS POSSIBLE. THE DECISION AS TO ITEMS TO REMAIN IN PLACE SHALL BE DIRECTED BY THE ENGINEER. THIS WORK WILL NOT BE PAID FOR SEPARATELY BUT SHALL BE INCLUDED IN THE CONTRACT UNIT PRICE PER CUBIC YARD FOR EARTH EXCAVATION, AND NO ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION WILL BE ALLOWED.
27. SEEDING SHALL BE DONE ON ALL AREAS THAT ARE DISTURBED BY CONSTRUCTION OPERATIONS AS DIRECTED BY THE ENGINEER. SEEDING SHALL BE PAID FOR ONLY WITHIN THE PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION LIMITS RIGHT-OF-WAY OR EASEMENT LIMITS. ALL AREAS DISTURBED BY THE CONTRACTOR OUTSIDE THE PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION LIMITS SHALL BE SEEDED, AS DIRECTED BY THE ENGINEER, AT THE CONTRACTOR'S EXPENSE.
28. IF ASH TREES ARE REMOVED ON THE PROJECT, THE CONTRACTOR SHALL BECOME FAMILIAR WITH AND COMPLY WITH MEASURES SPECIFIED BY THE ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE (IDOA) TO PREVENT THE SPREAD OF THE EMERALD ASH BORER. THE IDOA INFORMATION FOR ASH TREE REMOVAL CAN BE FOUND ON THE IDOA WEBSITE AT WWW.AGR.STATE.IL.US/EAB.
29. THE COST OF THE CA-16 BACKFILL MATERIAL FOR THE PROPOSED PIPE UNDERDRAINS SHALL BE INCLUDED IN THE CONTRACT UNIT PRICE PER FOOT FOR PIPE UNDERDRAINS, 4".
30. ALL UNDERDRAINS 4" (SPECIAL) WILL BE CONNECTED TO THE UNDERDRAIN 4" BY USING ELBOWS. NO ON SITE BENDS IN THE UNDERDRAIN MATERIAL TO MAKE THE TRANSITION WILL BE ALLOWED.
31. IT SHALL BE THE CONTRACTORS RESPONSIBILITY TO VERIFY ALL EXISTING FIELD DIMENSIONS AND CONDITIONS PRIOR TO CONSTRUCTION AND ORDERING OF MATERIALS.
32. PLAN DIMENSIONS AND DETAILS RELATIVE TO THE EXISTING STRUCTURES HAVE BEEN TAKEN FROM EXISTING PLANS AND ARE SUBJECT TO NOMINAL CONSTRUCTION VARIATIONS. IT SHALL BE THE CONTRACTOR'S RESPONSIBILITY TO VERIFY SUCH DIMENSIONS AND DETAILS IN THE FIELD AND MAKE NECESSARY APPROVED ADJUSTMENTS PRIOR TO CONSTRUCTION OR ORDERING OF MATERIALS. SUCH VARIATIONS SHALL NOT BE A CAUSE FOR ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION FOR A CHANGE IN THE SCOPE OF THE WORK. THE CONTRACTOR, HOWEVER, WILL BE PAID FOR THE ACTUAL QUANTITY FURNISHED AT THE UNIT PRICE BID FOR THE WORK.
33. QUANTITIES SHOWN IN THE PLANS FOR BRIDGE DECK GROOVING AND PROTECTIVE COAT INCLUDE THE BRIDGES AND BRIDGE APPROACH SLABS.
34. ALL STEEL PARTS AND FITTINGS PLACED ON THE BRIDGE SHALL BE STAINLESS STEEL, INCLUDING NUTS, BOLTS, AND WASHERS (UNLESS NOTED OTHERWISE). CONDUIT CLAMPS SHALL BE STAINLESS STEEL OR ENGINEER APPROVED EQUAL.
35. CONDUIT ON THE BRIDGE AND WING WALLS SHALL BE SUPPORTED AT INTERVALS NOT TO EXCEED 6 FT.
36. CONDUIT EXPANSION/DEFLECTION FITTINGS SHALL BE PROVIDED AT ALL BRIDGE EXPANSION JOINTS. LIQUID TIGHT FLEXIBLE NONMETALLIC CONDUIT SHALL BE USED TO EXIT PARAPET WALLS ON BRIDGES WITH INTERGRAL ABUTMENTS.
37. SIGNS SHALL BE CONSTRUCTED BY AN APPROVED SIGN MANUFACTURER.
38. WHEN TRAFFIC IS SHIFTED CLOSER TO THE EXISTING GUARDRAIL OR BARRIER, THE GUARDRAIL OR BARRIER SHOULD BE REFLECTORIZED AT A 25' SPACING.

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