

MERV Specifications for Construction of Roads

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Section 101—Abbreviations, Acronyms, & Terms

101.01 Terms, Organizations, & Standards

These specifications are generally written in the imperative mood. In sentences using the imperative mood, the subject, “the Contractor,” is implied. Also implied in this language is “shall,” “shall be,” or similar words and phrases. In material specifications, the subject may also be the supplier, fabricator, or manufacturer supplying material, products, or equipment for use on the project.

Wherever “directed,” “required,” “prescribed,” or similar words are used, the “direction,” “requirement,” or “order” of the Contracting Officer (CO) is intended. Similarly, wherever “approved,” “acceptable,” “suitable,” “satisfactory,” or similar words are used, they mean “approved by,” “acceptable to,” or “satisfactory to” the CO.

The word “will” generally pertains to decisions or actions of the CO.

Whenever in these specifications, or in other contract documents, the following terms (or pronouns in place of them) are used, the intent and meaning shall be interpreted as follows: reference to a specific standard, test, testing method, or specification shall mean the latest published edition or amendment that is in effect at the solicitation issue date for Public Works Contracts or the sale advertisement date for Timber Sale Contracts.

These specifications are divided into the following divisions:

- Division 100 consists of general specifications for which no direct payment is made. These requirements are applicable to all contracts.
- Division 150 consists of engineering requirements that are applicable to some contracts. Work under this division is paid for directly when there is a PAY ITEM IN THE SCHEDULE OF ITEMS. When there is no PAY ITEM IN THE SCHEDULE OF ITEMS, no direct payment is made.
- Divisions 200–600 consist of construction contract requirements for specific items of work. Work under these divisions is paid for directly or indirectly according to Section 106 and the section for ordering the work when there is a PAY ITEM IN THE SCHEDULE OF ITEMS.
- Division 700 contains the material requirements for Divisions 200–600. No direct payment is made under Division 700. Payment for material is included as part of the work required in Divisions 200–600.

(a) Acronyms. The following acronyms are used in these specifications:

AA	Aluminum Association
AASHTO	American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials
ACI	American Concrete Institute
ADA	Americans With Disabilities Act
AGC	Associated General Contractors of America
AI	Asphalt Institute
AISC	American Institute of Steel Construction
AITC	American Institute of Timber Construction
ALSC	American Lumber Standards Committee
ANSI	American National Standards Institute
APA	American Plywood Association
ARTBA	American Road and Transportation Builders Association

ASTM	American Society for Testing and Material
AWPA	American Wood Preservers Association
AWS	American Welding Society
AWWA	American Water Works Association
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations
CRSI	Concrete Reinforcing Steel Institute
DEMA	Diesel Engine Manufacturers Association
DOT	U.S. Department of Transportation
FAR	Federal Acquisition Regulation
FHWA	Federal Highway Administration
FLH	Federal Lands Highway (Federal Highway Administration)
FSS	Federal Specifications and Standards
ISSA	International Slurry Surfacing Association
MIL	Military Specification(s)
MSHA	Mine Safety and Health Administration
MUTCD	Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices
NBS	National Bureau of Standards
OSHA	Occupational Safety and Health Administration
PCI	Prestressed Concrete Institute
PTI	Post-Tensioning Institute
SI	International System of Units
SSPC	Steel Structures Painting Council
WWPI	Western Wood Preservation Institute

(b) System of International Units (SI) Symbols.

(c) SI Prefix Symbols.

(d) Slope Notation (horizontal : vertical). Express the slope as the ratio of a number of units horizontal to one unit vertical.

101.02 Abbreviations & Symbols

ABS	Acrylonitrile-butadiene-styrene
ACA	Ammoniacal copper arsenate
ACZA	Ammoniacal copper zinc arsenate
Agg	Aggregate
Al	Aluminum
AOS	Apparent opening size
AQ	Actual quantities
AQL	Acceptable Quality Level
BMP	Best Management Practice
CAPWAP	Case pile wave analysis program
CCA	Chromated copper arsenate
CMP	Corrugated metal pipe
CMPA	Corrugated metal pipe arch
CO	Contracting Officer

CPF	Composite pay factor
CSP	Corrugated steel pipe
CSPA	Corrugated steel pipe arch
CTB	Cement-treated base
CY	Cubic Yard
CY MI	Cubic Yard Mile
DAR	Durability Absorption Ratio
Dia	Diameter
DQ	Designed quantities
DTI	Direct tension indicator
Dwgs	Drawings
EA	Each
FM	Fineness modulus
Ft	Foot
GAL	Gallon
GFM	Government-furnished materials
Gr	Grade
Ht	Height
ha	Hectare
HDO	High-density overlay
HDPE	High-density polyethylene
hr	Hour
Hor	Horizontal
HSLA	High-strength low-alloy
In	Inch
kg	Kilogram
kL	Kiloliter
kL km	Kiloliter kilometer
km	Kilometer
L	Length
l	Liter
Lbs	pounds
LF	Linear Foot
LS	Lump Sum
LSL	Lower specification limit
m	Meter
m ²	Square meter
m ³	Cubic meter
m ³ km	Cubic meter kilometer
Matl	Material
max.	Maximum
Mbf	Thousand board feet

Mi	Mile
MFBM	One thousand feet board measure
M Gals	One thousand gallons
M Gals Mi	One thousand gallons mile
min.	Minimum
Misc	Miscellaneous
mm	Millimeter
MSF	One thousand square feet
N/C	Numerically controlled
PG	Performance-graded
PI	Plasticity index
ppm	Parts per million
PS	Product Standard (issued by the U.S. Department of Commerce)
PVC	Polyvinylchloride
Sec	Section
SF	Square Feet
SQ	Staked quantities
STA	Station
STA YD	Station Yard
SY	Square Yard
t	Ton (1,000 kg)
t km	Ton kilometer
T	Temperature
T&L	Tops and limbs
TFE	Tetraflouroethylene
Th	Thickness
TM	Ton mile
TV	Target value
USL	Upper specification limit
Vert	Vertical
VMA	Voids in Mineral Aggregate
VOC	Volatile organic compound
Yd	Yard
W	Width
W/	With
W/O	Without
WW	Woven wire
WWF	Welded wire fabric
"	Inches
'	Feet

Section 102—Definitions

Wherever the following terms, or pronouns in place of them, are used in these specifications or in other contract documents, the intent and meaning are as follows:

Adjustment in Contract Price. “Equitable adjustment,” as used in the Federal Acquisition Regulations, or “construction cost adjustment,” as used in the Timber Sale Contract, as applicable.

Arch. A culvert section, usually formed of bolted structural plates, that is an arc of a circle (usually one-half or less); that is, a bottomless culvert.

Base Course. The layer or layers of specified or selected material of designed thickness placed on a subbase or subgrade to support a surface course. (See figure 102-1.)

Bearings. The portion of a beam, girder, or truss that transmits the bridge superstructure load to the substructure.

Berm. Curb or dike constructed to control roadway runoff water. (See figure 102-1.)

Best Management Practice. A series of water quality protection practices and procedures approved or certified by the State water quality agency under the provisions of sections 319 and 402 of the Clean Water Act, as amended.

Bridge. A structure, including supports, erected over a depression or an obstruction, such as water, a road, a trail, or a railway, and having a floor for carrying traffic or other moving loads.

Bridge Length. The overall length measured along the centerline of road to the back of abutment backwalls, if present; otherwise, end to end of the bridge floor, but in no case less than the total clear opening of the structure.

Bridge Traveled Way Width. The clear width measured at right angles to the longitudinal centerline of the bridge between the bottom of curbs or, if curbs are not used, between the inner faces of parapet or railing.

Certificate of Compliance. A signed statement by a person with legal authority to bind a company or supplier to its product. The certificate states that the material or assemblies furnished fully comply with the requirements of the contract.

Change. “Change” means “change order” as used in the Federal Acquisition Regulations, or “design change” as used in the Timber Sale Contract.

Clearing Limits. The limits of clearing as designated on the ground or on the drawings. (See figure 102-1.)

Cofferdam. A cofferdam is an enclosed single or double wall braced structure with walls sheeted with timber, concrete, or steel, and extending well below the bottom of excavation, when practical. Earthen or rockfill dikes, dams, or embankments are not considered cribs or cofferdams for this purpose.

Conduit. A natural or artificial channel for carrying fluids, such as water pipe, canal, or aqueduct.

Construction Slash. All vegetative material not meeting Utilization Standards, such as tops and limbs, timber, brush, and grubbed stumps associated with construction or reconstruction of a facility.

Contracting Officer (CO). The person with the authority to enter into, administer, and/or terminate contracts and make related determinations and findings. The term includes certain authorized representatives of the CO acting within the limits of their authority as delegated by the CO. Authorized representatives include the Forest Service Representative, Engineering Representative, Contracting Officer's Representative, and Inspector.

Contractor. The individual, partnership, joint venture, or corporation undertaking the execution of the work under the terms of the contract and acting directly or through agents, employees, or subcontractors. As used in specifications and drawings for specified roads (Timber Sale Contracts), "Contractor" is "purchaser."

Controlled Felling. Directing the placement of trees in felling by using wedges, jacks, cable tension, or distribution of holding wood, or any combinations of these, to ensure that trees are dropped into previously cleared areas, or clear of any objects that are to remain.

Culvert. A conduit or passageway under a road, trail, or other obstruction. A culvert differs from a bridge in that it is usually constructed entirely below the elevation of the traveled way.

Curve Widening. Additional width added to curves to allow for vehicle offtracking.

Cushion Material. Native or imported material generally placed over rocky sections of unsurfaced roads to provide a usable and maintainable traveled way.

Defect. A failure to meet a requirement with respect to a single quality characteristic.

Drawings. The documents, including plan and profile sheets, plans, cross sections, diagrams, layouts, schematics, descriptive literature, illustration, schedules, performance and test data, and similar materials showing details for construction of a facility.

Embankment. A structure of soil, aggregate, or rock material placed on the prepared ground surface and constructed to subgrade.

Equipment. All machinery and equipment, together with the necessary supplies for upkeep and maintenance, as well as tools and apparatus necessary for the proper construction and acceptable completion of the work.

Excess Excavation. Material from the roadway in excess of that needed for construction of designed roadways.

Falsework. Any temporary construction work used to support the permanent structure until it becomes self-supporting. Falsework includes steel or timber beams, girders, columns, piles, foundations, and any proprietary equipment including modular shoring frames, post shores, and adjustable horizontal shoring.

Forest Service. The United States of America, acting through the Forest Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Government Land. National Forest System lands, and other lands controlled or administered by the Forest Service or other Federal agencies.

Inspector. The Government-authorized representative designated in writing by the Contracting Officer, Contracting Officer's Representative, or Engineering Representative responsible for detailed inspection.

Invert. The lowest point of the internal cross section of culvert or pipe arch.

Job-Mix Formula. The percentage of each material in a mixture intended for a particular use.

Laboratory. A testing laboratory of the Government, or any other testing laboratory approved by the Contracting Officer.

Live Stream. A defined streambed with flowing water.

Lot. An isolated quantity of material from a single source; a measured amount of construction assumed to be produced by the same process.

Materials. Any substance specified for use in the construction of the project and its appurtenances.

Maximum Density. The highest density that can be obtained for a specific material using the stated test procedure.

Measurement. Determining and expressing the quantities of work or materials.

Multibeam Girder. A precast, prestressed concrete member where the concrete deck is precast as an integral part of the member.

Neat Line. A line defining the proposed or specified limits of an excavation or structure.

Nominal Dimensions or Weights. The numerical values shown on the drawings or in the specifications as measurements of material to be used in the construction.

Nominal Maximum Particle Size. The largest sieve size listed in the applicable specification upon which any material is permitted to be retained.

Overbreak. Material beyond the neat line of an excavation that is removed in the process of excavation, usually by blasting.

Pass. A pass shall consist of one complete coverage of the surface.

Pavement Structure. Subbase, base, or surface course, or combination thereof, placed on a subgrade to support the traffic load and distribute it to the roadbed.

Pioneer Road. Temporary construction access built along the route of the project.

Pipe. A culvert that is circular (round) in cross section.

Pipe Arch. A pipe that has been factory-deformed from a circular shape such that the width (or span) is larger than the vertical dimension (or rise).

Profile Grade. The trace of a vertical plane, as shown on the drawings, intersecting the top surface at the centerline of the proposed facility construction.

Project Specifications. The specifications that detail the conditions and requirements specific to the individual project, including additions and revisions to Standard Specifications.

Purchaser. The individual, partnership, joint venture, or corporation contracting with the Government under the terms of a Timber Sale Contract and acting independently or through agents, employees, or subcontractors.

Random Sampling. A sample of material chosen such that each increment of a population of material has an equal probability of being selected.

Reasonably Close Conformity. Compliance with reasonable and customary manufacturing and construction tolerances, performing all work and furnishing all materials in "reasonably close conformity" with lines, grades, cross sections, dimensions, and material requirements shown on the drawings, indicated in the specifications, or designated on the ground.

Right-of-Way. A general term denoting (1) the privilege to pass over land in some particular line (including easement, lease, permit, or license to occupy, use, or traverse public or private lands), or (2)

land, appurtenances thereto, or interest therein, usually in a strip, acquired for public or private passageway. (See figure 102-1.)

Road Order. An order affecting and controlling traffic on roads under Forest Service jurisdiction. Road Orders are issued by a designated Forest Officer under the authorities of 36 CFR, part 260.

Road Template. The shape and cross-sectional dimensions of the roadway to be constructed, as defined by the construction staking notes and the characteristics of the typical sections.

Roadbed. The graded portion of a road between the intersection of subgrade and side slopes, excluding that portion of the ditch below subgrade. (See figure 102-1.)

Roadside. A general term denoting the area adjoining the outer edge of the roadway. (See figure 102-1.)

Roadway. The portion of the road within the limits of excavation and embankment, including slope rounding. (See figure 102-1.)

Schedule of Items. A schedule in the contract that contains a listing and description of construction items, quantities, units of measure, methods of measurement, unit price, and amount.

Second Samples. A sample taken when the initial sample indicates that the material is defective.

Shoulder. The portion of the roadway contiguous to the traveled way for accommodation of stopped vehicles, emergency use, and lateral support of pavement structure. (See figure 102-1.)

Sidewalk. The portion of the roadway constructed primarily for pedestrian use.

Specifications. A description of the technical requirements for a material, product, or service that includes criteria for determining whether these requirements are met.

Spring Line. The point of contact between arch and footing.

Standard Specifications. Specifications approved for general application and repetitive use.

Station. (1) A measure of distance used for highways and railroads equal to 1 foot. (2) A precise location along a survey line.

Subbase. The layers of specified or selected material of designed thickness placed on a subgrade to support a base course.

Subgrade Treatment. Modification of roadbed material by stabilization.

Subgrade. The prepared surface, including widening for curves, turnouts, and other areas upon which a subbase, base, or surface course is constructed. For roads without base course or surface course, that portion of roadbed prepared as the finished wearing surface. (See figure 102-1.)

Substructure (Bridge). All of that part of the structure below the bearings of simple and continuous spans, skewbacks of arches, and tops of footings of rigid frames, together with the backwalls, wingwalls, and wing protection railings.

Superstructure (Bridge). The entire structure, except the substructure.

Surface Course. The top layer of a pavement structure, sometimes called the wearing course, usually designed to resist skidding, traffic abrasion, and the disintegrating effects of climate. (See figure 102-1.)

Tackifier. Binder for vegetative mulch.

Target Value. Values that are established according to contract, and from which allowable variations are measured.

Timber Sale Contract. A written contract for the removal of national forest timber.

Tops and Limbs. All woody material including bushes, vines, and portions of trees smaller than the dimensions for timber shown in Subsection 201.03.

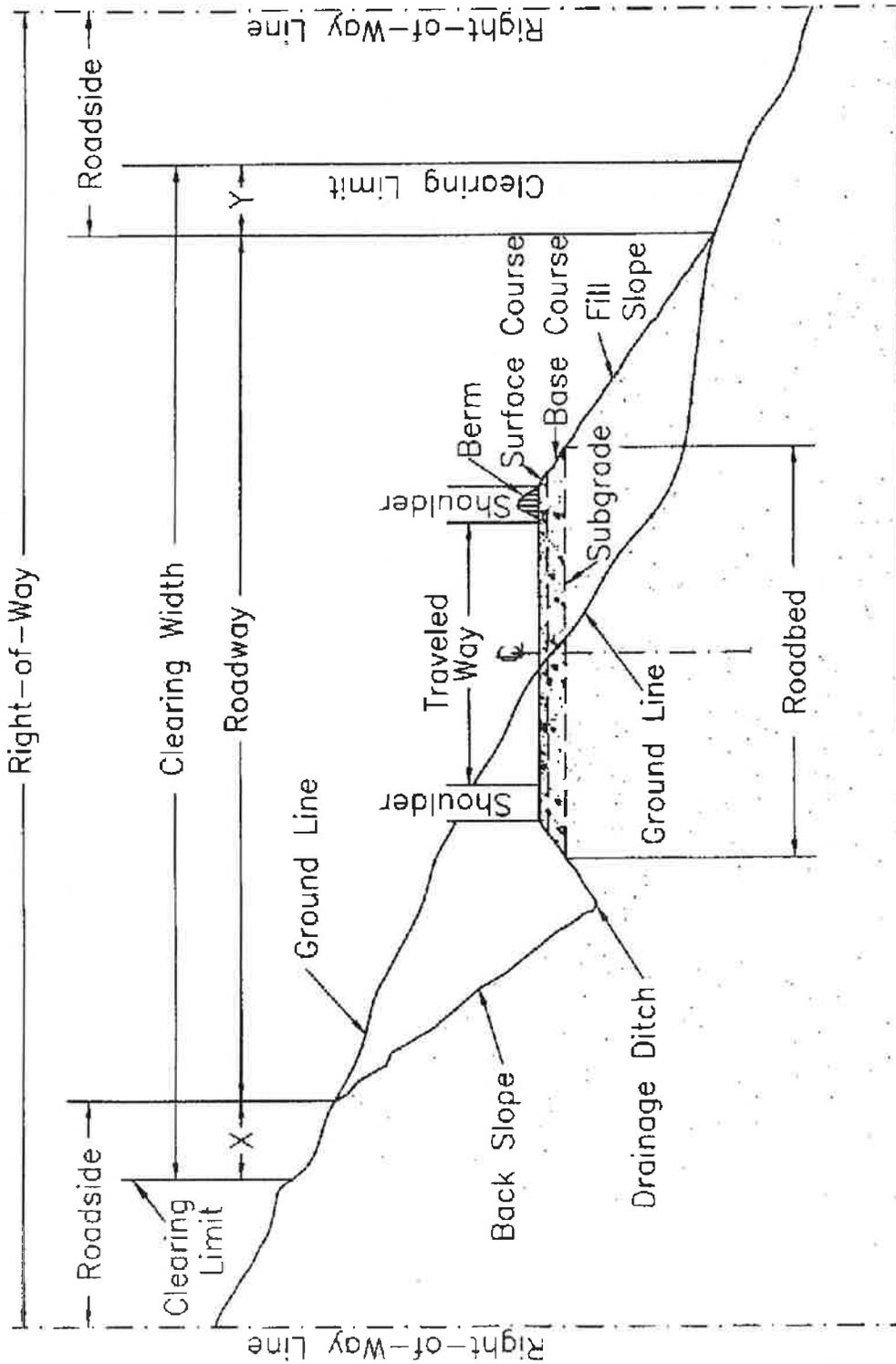
Traveled Way. The portion of the roadway for the movement of vehicles, exclusive of shoulders and auxiliary lanes. (See figure 102-1.)

Turnout. A short auxiliary lane on a one-lane road provided for the passage of meeting vehicles.

Unit of Measurement. The unit and fractions of units DESIGNATED IN THE SCHEDULE OF ITEMS.

Unsuitable Material. The material excavated during roadway construction that is not usable in embankment and must be disposed of, or that can be used only in certain locations or for limited purposes.

Utilization Standards. The minimum size and percent soundness of trees described in the specifications to determine merchantable timber.



Note: Shapes and dimensions will vary to fit local conditions. see drawings for typical sections. X and Y denote clearing outside of roadway.

Figure 102-1.—Illustration of road structure terms.

Section 103—Intent of Contract

The intent of the contract is to provide for the complete construction of the project described in the contract. Unless otherwise provided, furnish all labor, materials, equipment, tools, transportation, and supplies, and perform all work required to complete the project in reasonably close conformity with drawings and specifications, and in accordance with provisions of the contract.

Section 104—Maintenance for Traffic

104.01 Roads To Be Constructed

Unless otherwise SHOWN ON THE DRAWINGS or described in the PROJECT SPECIFICATIONS, keep existing roads open to all traffic during road improvement work, and maintain them in a condition that will adequately accommodate traffic. Perform no work that interferes or conflicts with traffic or existing access to the roadway surface until a plan for the satisfactory handling of traffic has been approved. Specific requirements for temporary closures, detours, part-width construction, and access to adjacent or intersecting facilities will be SHOWN ON THE DRAWINGS or described in the PROJECT SPECIFICATIONS. Post construction signs and traffic control devices in conformance with the “Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices” (MUTCD). Do not proceed with work on the project until all required signs are in place and approved.

Before shutting down any operations, take all necessary precautions to prevent damage to the project, such as temporary detours, approaches, crossings, or intersections; and provide for normal drainage and minimization of erosion. Leave all travelways in a condition suitable for traffic.

The Government may permit use of portions of the project during periods when operations have shut down. All maintenance attributable to permitted use during periods of work suspension will be provided by the Government, except for maintenance needed through the fault or negligence of the Contractor. The Contractor shall be responsible for any maintenance not attributable to use, or that is necessary during suspensions through the fault or negligence of the Contractor.

When SHOWN ON THE DRAWINGS or described in the PROJECT SPECIFICATIONS, road segments may be closed to all traffic during the period(s) when construction is in progress. If any of the listed roads are to be closed during construction operations, give at least 14 days advance notice.

Unless otherwise provided, when construction activity is in progress and total closure has not been provided for herein, delays may not exceed *30 minutes*, in order to reasonably accommodate traffic.

104.02 Use of Roads by Contractor

The Contractor is authorized to use roads under the jurisdiction of the Forest Service for all activities necessary to complete this contract, subject to the limitations and authorizations SHOWN ON THE DRAWINGS, designated in the Road Order, or described in the PROJECT SPECIFICATIONS, when such use will not damage the roads or national forest resources, and when traffic can be accommodated safely.

Section 105—Control of Materials

105.01 Handling Materials

Transport and handle all materials to preserve their quality and fitness for the work. Stockpile, load, and transport aggregates in a manner that will preserve specified gradation and avoid contamination. Do not intermingle stockpiles of aggregate with different gradations. Stockpile crushed or screened aggregate in accordance with Section 305.

105.02 Weighing Devices

105.03 Sampling & Testing of Aggregate

105.04 Certification & Sampling of Asphalt Materials

105.05 Rights in & Use of Materials Found or Produced on the Work

(a) With the written approval of the CO, suitable stone, gravel, sand, or other material found in the excavation can be used on the project. Payment will be made both for the excavation of such materials at the corresponding contract unit price and for the pay items for which the excavated material is used. Replace, without additional compensation, sufficient suitable materials to complete the portion of the work that was originally contemplated to be constructed with such material.

(b) Materials produced or processed from Government lands in excess of the quantities required for performance of this contract are the property of the Government. The Government is not obligated to make reimbursement for the cost of producing these materials.

105.06 Material Sources

(a) Designated Sources. Sources of local materials designated in the PROJECT SPECIFICATIONS or SHOWN ON THE DRAWINGS are guaranteed by the Government for the quality and quantity of material in the source. Determine the equipment and work required to produce the specified product. Utilize all suitable material in the source. The designation of a source includes the Contractor's right to use areas SHOWN ON THE DRAWINGS for the purposes designated (that is, plant sites, stockpiles, and haul roads). Unless otherwise indicated or approved, no additional operating area shall be allowed. In this case, operate only in the confines of the area(s) designated.

The weight/volume relationship used for determining designed quantities (DQ) of material in designated sources subject to weight measurement is SHOWN ON THE DRAWINGS.

Should the designated source contain insufficient suitable material due to causes beyond the Contractor's control, the Government will provide another source, with an adjustment in contract price, in accordance with applicable contract provisions.

Designated sources will be available for the Contractor's use during the periods SHOWN ON THE DRAWINGS. Use at any other time will require an agreement with the party scheduled for that period, with the CO's approval.

(b) Contractor-Furnished Sources. When the material sources are not designated as provided above, or when designated sources are not used, furnish material that produces an end product equivalent in performance to that originally designated. An adjustment in contract price shall be made where the weight/ volume relationship differences between designated source material and Contractor-furnished source material result in a financial disadvantage to the Government. When SHOWN ON THE

DRAWINGS, complete any pit development specified for a designated source, even when material is not obtained from the source.

Test for quality in conformance with applicable requirements, to establish the equivalency of the end product. Furnish test results and a Certificate of Compliance.

Section 106—Measurement & Payment

106.01 Measurement & Payment

Compensation provided for in the contract is full payment for performing all contract work in a complete and acceptable manner. All risk, loss, damage, or expense arising out of the nature or prosecution of the work is included in the compensation provided by the contract.

Work required by the contract will not be paid for directly unless a PAY ITEM for the work is DESIGNATED IN THE SCHEDULE OF ITEMS.

Work referenced for measurement under another section will not be paid for directly unless a PAY ITEM for the work is DESIGNATED IN THE SCHEDULE OF ITEMS for the referenced section.

Work not paid for directly is considered to be included under the other contract PAY ITEMS.

Unless otherwise shown, work measured and paid for under one PAY ITEM will not be paid for under any other PAY ITEM.

The quantity to be paid for is the quantity DESIGNATED IN THE SCHEDULE OF ITEMS. No payment will be made for work performed in excess of that staked, ordered, or otherwise authorized.

When more than one class, size, or thickness is specified in the SCHEDULE OF ITEMS for any PAY ITEM, suffixes will be added to the item number to differentiate between the items.

All costs associated with the cleaning of construction equipment shall be considered subsidiary to other items in this contract and the Contractor will not be paid an additional amount for this work.

106.02 Determination of Quantities

The following measurements and calculations are used to determine contract quantities.

For individual construction items, longitudinal and lateral measurements for area computations shall be made horizontally or corrected to horizontal measurement unless otherwise specified. Measurements for seeding, mulching, geotextiles, netting, erosion control blankets, and sodding shall be along slope lines.

The average end area method shall be used to compute volumes of excavation or embankment. However, if in the judgment of the CO the average end area method is impractical, measurement shall be made by volume in hauling vehicles, or by other three-dimensional methods.

Structures shall be measured according to neat lines SHOWN ON THE DRAWINGS, or as altered by the CO in writing to fit field conditions.

For items that have linear measurements, such as pipe culverts, fencing, guardrails, and underdrains, measurements shall be made parallel to the base or foundation upon which the structures are placed. Pipe and pipe arch culverts shall be measured along center of invert, and arches shall be measured at spring line.

For aggregates weighed for payment, the tonnage weight shall not be adjusted for moisture content, unless otherwise provided in PROJECT SPECIFICATIONS.

For standard manufactured items—such as fence, wire, plates, rolled shapes, and pipe conduits—identified by gauge, weight, section dimensions, and so forth, such identifications shall be considered the

nominal weights or dimensions. Unless controlled by tolerances in cited specifications, manufacturer's tolerances shall be accepted.

106.03 Units of Measurement

Payment will be by units defined and determined according to measure. Unless otherwise specified, the meanings of the following terms are as follows:

(a) Cubic Yard in Place (yd³). Measure solid volumes by the average end area method as follows:

- (1) Measure cross sections of the original ground and use with design or staked templates, or take other comparable measurements to determine the end areas. Do not measure work outside of the established lines or slopes.
- (2) If any portion of the work is acceptable, but is not completed to the established lines and slopes, remeasure cross sections or comparable measurements of that portion of the work. Deduct any quantity outside the designated or staked limits. Use these measurements to calculate new end areas.
- (3) Compute the quantity using the average end areas multiplied by the horizontal distance along a centerline or reference line between the end areas. Deduct any quantity outside the designed or staked limits.

Where it is impractical to measure material by the average end area method, other methods involving three-dimensional measurements may be used.

Measure liquid volumes in accordance with Subsection 106.03(h).

(b) Cubic Yard in the Hauling Vehicle. Measure the cubic yard volume in the hauling vehicle using three-dimensional measurements at the point of delivery. Use vehicles bearing a legible identification mark with the body shaped so the actual contents may be readily and accurately determined. Before use, mutually agree in writing upon the volume of material to be hauled by each vehicle. Vehicles carrying less than the agreed volume may be rejected or accepted at the reduced volume.

Level selected loads. If leveling reveals that the vehicle was hauling less than the approved volume, reduce the quantity of all material received since the last leveled load by the same ratio as the ratio of the current leveled load volume to the agreed volume. Payment will not be made for material in excess of the agreed volume.

Material measured in the hauling vehicle may be weighed and converted to cubic yards for payment purposes if the conversion factors are mutually agreed to in writing.

Compute measurement using measurements of material in the hauling vehicles at the point of delivery. Load vehicles to at least their water-level capacity. Leveling of the loads may be required when vehicles arrive at the delivery point.

(c) Each. One entire unit, which may consist of one or more parts. The quantity is the actual number of units completed and accepted.

(d) Acre. 43,560 square feet. Make longitudinal and transverse measurements for area computations horizontally. Do not make deductions from the area computation for individual exclusions having an area of 50 square yards or less.

(e) Hour. Measurement will be for the actual number of hours ordered and performed by the Contractor.

(f) Pound. 7,000 grains divided into 16 ounces. If sacked or packaged material is furnished, the net weight as packed by the manufacturer may be used.

(g) Mile. 5,280 feet. Measure horizontal along the centerline of each roadway, approach road, or ramp.

(h) Gallon. The quantity may be measured by any of the following methods:

- (1) Measured volume container.
- (2) Metered volume. Use an approved metering system.
- (3) Commercially packaged volumes.

(i) Lump Sum. Do not measure directly. The bid amount is complete payment for all work described in the contract and necessary to complete the work for that item.

(j) Feet. Measure from end to end, parallel to the base or foundation being measured, or horizontal.

(k) Station. 1,000 feet measured horizontally.

(l) Square Yard. Measure on a plane parallel to the surface being measured or horizontal.

Where measurement is horizontal, make no deductions from the area computation for individual exclusions having an area of 1 yd^2 or less.

For pavement structure courses, measure the width horizontally to include the top design width and allowable curve widening. Do not include side slopes. Measure the length horizontally along the centerline of each roadway, approach road, or ramp.

(m) Thousand Board Feet. 1,000 board feet based on nominal widths, thickness, and extreme usable length of each piece of lumber or timber actually incorporated in the job. For glued laminated timber, 1,000 board feet based on actual width, thickness, and length of each piece actually incorporated in the job.

(n) Ton. Short ton consisting of 2,000 pounds

No adjustment in contract unit price will be made for variations in quantity due to differences in the specific gravity or moisture content.

Use net certified scale weights, or weights based on certified volumes.

106.04 Methods of Measurement

One of the following methods of measurement for determining final payment is DESIGNATED IN THE SCHEDULE OF ITEMS for each PAY ITEM:

(a) Designed Quantities (DQ). These quantities denote the final number of units to be paid for under the terms of the contract. They are based upon the original design data available prior to advertising the project. Original design data include the preliminary survey information, design assumptions, calculations, drawings, and the presentation in the contract. Changes in the number of units DESIGNATED IN THE SCHEDULE OF ITEMS may be authorized under any of the following conditions:

- (1) Changes in the work authorized by the CO.
- (2) A determination by the CO that errors exist in the original design that cause a PAY ITEM quantity to change by 15 percent or more.
- (3) A written request submitted to the CO showing evidence of errors in the original design that cause the quantity of a PAY ITEM to change by 15 percent or more. The evidence must be verifiable and consist of calculations, drawings, or other data that show how the designed quantity is in error.

(b) Staked Quantities (SQ). These quantities are determined from staked measurements prior to construction.

(c) Actual Quantities (AQ). These quantities are determined from measurements of completed work.

(d) Vehicle Quantities (VQ). These quantities are measured or weighed in hauling vehicles.

(e) Lump Sum Quantities (LSQ). These quantities denote one complete unit of work as required by or described in the contract, including necessary materials, equipment, and labor to complete the job.

106.05 Price Adjustment for Asphalt Materials

106.06 Earthwork Tolerances

Where tolerances are shown in the contract, they are intended to define “reasonably close conformity.” Make adjustments of horizontal or vertical alignment within the tolerances specified in this contract, or shifts of balance points up to 30 m, as necessary to produce the designed roadway section and to balance earthwork. Such adjustments will not be considered “changes.”

Section 161—Certification for Quality & Quantity

Description

161.01 Work. Provide certification that the quality and quantity of construction conforms to the drawings, specifications, and requirements of the contract.

Construction

161.02 Certifications & Measurements. Meet the following requirements for offsite-produced materials and quantity measurements:

(a) Offsite-Produced Materials. Furnish certificates executed by the manufacturer, supplier, or vendor, stipulating that all materials produced offsite that are incorporated into the work meet the applicable requirements SHOWN ON THE DRAWINGS or stated in the specifications. Make each certificate apply to a single commodity or invoice. Certify all incidental purchases needed to remedy minor shortages of material.

(b) Quantity Measurements. Make all measurements for computation of quantities for all work items, except those specified for payment by designed quantity or lump sum. Compute the quantities for periodic progress payments; the CO will compute the quantities for the final payment based on measurements taken. All Contractor measurements are subject to verification. Submit all field notes, calculation sheets, and other data used to determine quantities, and certify in writing as to the accuracy of the measurements and computations submitted.

The following format, or one containing the following information, will be acceptable to the Government:

Road No. _____			Contract No. _____	
Pay Item No.	Date	Station	Quantity or Measurement	Measured By (Initials)

161.03 Records. Meet the following requirements for as-built drawings:

As-Built Drawings. Maintain a set of the contract drawings depicting as-built conditions. Maintain these drawings in current condition, and make them available for review. Indicate all variations from contract drawings in red on the drawings. Upon completion of the contract work, submit as-built drawings to the CO.

Measurement

161.04 Method. Make no separate measurements for this item.

Payment

161.05 Basis. Payment will be considered incidental to other pay items in this contract.

Section 201—Clearing & Brushing of Existing Roads

Description

201.01 Work. This work consists of removing all vegetative material including limbs, residual slash, live roadside brush, and trees within the brushing limits SHOWN ON THE DRAWINGS.

Construction

201.01 Work. Clear and grub; treat timber, construction slash, and debris; and preserve vegetation and objects designated to remain free from injury or defacement.

Construction

201.02 Clearing/Brushing. Clear and grub in accordance with the following:

On Roadbed. Clear and grub all brush and trees located on the roadbed conserving aggregate as practical.

Outside the Roadbed, but still inside the Brushing Limits, Cut all brush and trees (8 inch diameter, or less, at the point of cut) no higher than 6 inches above ground level for machine brushing. If rocks or other obstructions are encountered, cut no higher than 6 inches above the obstruction. Limb live trees with a diameter larger than 8 inches a clear height of 10 feet above the road surface.

Clear slash treatment areas and treat debris in accordance with Subsections 201.05.

201.03 Windfalls. Limb windfalls lying within or across the brushing limits, cut off at the top of the existing cut slope or 5 feet from the shoulder on the fill slope. Dispose of windfall material as slash.

201.04 Road Junctions. Do not deposit brushing debris on the roadway of adjoining roads.

201.05 Slash Treatment. On road sections where brush is light enough, slash may be scattered outside the Brushing / Clearing Limits without damaging residual trees.

On road sections with heavier brush, pile slash outside the Brushing / Clearing Limits at locations agreed to by the Engineer. Construct clean piles so future burning will not damage residual trees. Slash is defined as any material that has a length greater than 36 inches or a diameter greater than 2 inches at any point. Do not deposit material in streams, streambeds, culvert inlets or outlets, drainage ways, or cattle guards.

Measurement

201.06 Method. Measure the Pay Items according to Subsection 106.02 and the following.

Linear measurements will be horizontal along the road centerline.

Quantities will be the number of miles (or stations) and fractions thereof along the road centerline.

Payment

201.07 Basis. The accepted quantities will be paid for at the contract unit price for each PAY ITEM DESIGNATED IN THE SCHEDULE OF ITEMS.

Payment will be made under:

<u>Pay Item</u>	<u>Pay Unit</u>
201 (02) Brushing/Clearing and Grubbing	Lineal Mile

Section 203—Excavation, Embankment, & Haul

Description

203.01 Work. Excavate material and construct embankments. Furnish, haul, stockpile, place, dispose of, slope, shape, compact, and/or finish earthen and rocky material.

203.02 Excavation. Excavation consists of the excavation and placement of all excavated material that is not included under other PAY ITEMS listed in the SCHEDULE OF ITEMS.

203.03 Borrow Excavation. Excavate and utilize material from sources SHOWN ON THE DRAWINGS or described in the PROJECT SPECIFICATIONS. Additional sources of borrow excavation will be subject to advance approval by the CO. Develop sources in accordance with Section 611.

Construction

203.04 Clearing & Grubbing. Clear and grub in accordance with Section 201 before work under Section 203 begins. Road pioneering, slash disposal, and grubbing of stumps may proceed concurrently with excavation when approved by the CO. Conduct excavation and placement operations so material to be treated under Section 201 will not be incorporated in the roadway unless specifically included in the slash treatment method.

203.05 Pioneering. During pioneering operations, prevent undercutting of the final excavation slope. Avoid any restriction of drainages while pioneering the road. Keep all materials within the roadway limits unless otherwise SHOWN ON THE DRAWINGS.

203.06 Utilization of Excavated Materials. Use all suitable excavated material in the construction of embankments, subgrades, shoulders, slopes, bedding, and backfill for structures and other purposes, as SHOWN ON THE DRAWINGS.

(a) Excess Excavation. Place excess excavation on adjacent fill slopes or AS DIRECTED BY THE ENGINEER.

(b) Rock for Slope Protection. Conserve and use suitable excavated rock for protecting embankments.

(c) Conserving Material. Excavated material suitable for cushion, road finishing, or other purposes may be conserved and utilized instead of materials from designated sources. Field drain and dry excessively wet material that is otherwise suitable for embankment before placement.

(d) Excavation of Unsuitable Material & Backfill. Place unsuitable excavated material as SHOWN ON THE DRAWINGS. Backfill excavated areas with suitable material when necessary to complete the work. Do not place frozen material in embankments.

Break up rocks that are too large to be incorporated into the embankment or move them to locations approved by the CO. Broken pieces of rock may be placed on the face of the embankment and embedded so they will not roll or obstruct the use and maintenance of the roadbed. Immediately remove any excavated material that inadvertently reaches a stream course.

(e) Conservation of Topsoil. When SHOWN ON THE DRAWINGS, remove, transport, and deposit suitable topsoil in the designated stockpile areas.

(f) Abandoned Structures & Obstructions. Treat abandoned structures and obstructions in accordance with Section 202.

203.07 Drainage Excavation. Construct catch basins, drain dips and sags, side ditches, minor channel changes, inlet and outlet ditches, furrow ditches, ditches along the road but beyond roadway limits, and other minor earth drainage structures as SHOWN ON THE DRAWINGS. Utilize excavated material in accordance with Subsection 203.06.

203.08 Sloping, Shaping, & Finishing. Complete slopes and ditches before placing aggregate courses. Slope, shape, and finish as follows:

(a) Sloping. Leave all earth slopes with uniform roughened surfaces, except as described in Subsection 203.08(b), with no noticeable break as viewed from the road. Except in solid rock, round the tops and bottoms of all slopes, including the slopes of drainage ditches, where SHOWN ON THE DRAWINGS. Round the material overlaying solid rock to the extent practical.

If a slide or slipout occurs on a cut or embankment slope, remove or replace the material, and repair or restore all damage to the work. Bench or key slope to stabilize the slide. Reshape the cut or embankment slope to an acceptable condition.

(b) Stepped Slopes. Where SHOWN ON THE DRAWINGS, construct steps on slopes of 1.3:1 to 1:2. Construct the steps about 20 inches high. Blend the steps into natural ground at the end of the cut. If the slope contains nonrippable rock outcrops, blend steps into the rock. Remove loose material found in transitional area. Except for removing large rocks that may fall, scaling stepped slopes is not required.

(c) Shaping. Shape the subgrade to a smooth surface and to the cross section required. Shape slopes to gradually transition into slope adjustments without noticeable breaks. At the ends of cuts and at intersections of cuts and embankments, adjust slopes in the horizontal and vertical planes to blend into each other or into the natural ground. For roads receiving base or surface course, rocks may remain in place if they do not protrude above the subgrade more than one-third of the depth of the base or surface course, or 3 inches, whichever is less.

(d) Finishing. Finish the road surface to be reasonably smooth, uniform, and shaped to conform to the typical sections as SHOWN ON THE DRAWINGS. Remove unsuitable material from the roadbed and replace it with suitable material. Finish roadbeds to the tolerance class shown in table 203-1 or as SHOWN ON THE DRAWINGS.

Ensure that the subgrade for both surfaced and unsurfaced roads is visibly moist during shaping and dressing. Bring low sections, holes, cracks, or depressions to grade with suitable material. Compact the subgrade as required by the designated embankment placing method.

Finish the roadbed for unsurfaced roads using one of the following methods, as SHOWN ON THE DRAWINGS:

(1) Method A. Ensure that the top 4 inches below the finished roadbed contains rocks no larger than 4 inches. Remove oversize material, reduce to acceptable size, or cover by importing suitable material approved by the CO.

(2) Method B. Roll the roadbed to break down rocky material. Roll a minimum of five full-width passes, or until visual displacement ceases, with a vibratory grid roller or equivalent weighing a minimum of 9 t.

(3) Method C. Tractor finish work by spreading the excavation for roads SHOWN ON THE DRAWINGS as Construction Tolerance Class K, L, or M, as shown in table 203-1. Eliminate rock berms that may form during embankment construction with a tractor finish.

Table 203-1 -- Construction Tolerances

	Tolerance Class ^a												
	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
Roadbed width (inches)	6	6	12	12	12	12	12	18	12	24	24	24	24
Subgrade elevation (inches)	±1.5	±3	±3	±6	±6	±12	±12	±18	±24	±36	±24	±36	± ^c
Centerline alignment (inches)	2.5	2.5	6	6	12	12	12	18	24	36	36	60	± ^c
Slopes, excavation, and embankment (%slope) ^b	±3	±5	±5	±5	±5	±5	±10	±10	±10	±10	±20	±20	±20

^a. Maximum allowable deviation from construction stakes and drawings.

^b. Maximum allowable deviation from staked slope measured from slope stakes or hinge points.

^c. Unless otherwise SHOWN ON THE DRAWINGS, the centerline alignment and subgrade elevation, as built, have no horizontal curves with a radius of less than 26 m, and no vertical curves with a curve length of less than 25 m when the algebraic difference in the grade change is less than 10 percent, or a curve length of less than 30 m when the algebraic difference of the grade change is greater than or equal to 10 percent. The centerline grade is not to exceed 20 percent in 30 m of length.

203.09 Snow Removal. Remove snow and ice in advance of the work and deposit beyond the roadway limits in a manner that will not waste material. Snow and ice will not be incorporated into the embankment or be placed to cause damage.

203.10 Finishing Slopes. Ensure that finished slopes conform reasonably to the lines STAKED ON THE GROUND or SHOWN ON THE DRAWINGS. Finish slopes in a roughened condition to facilitate the establishment of vegetative growth. The finish associated with template and stringline or hand-raking methods will not be required. Remove rock, debris, and other loose material that are more than 6 inches in diameter, unless otherwise SHOWN ON THE DRAWINGS.

203.11 Landscape & Stream Protection. Confine excavation, blasted material, and embankment material within the roadway limits, unless otherwise approved by the CO, to avoid overbuilding and to protect the landscape and streams. Retrieve and incorporate into designated areas all material deposited outside of the clearing limits.

203.12 Subgrade Treatments.

203.13 Earth Berms.

203.14 Water.

203.15 Compaction Equipment. Use equipment capable of obtaining compaction requirements. The compacting units may be of any type, provided that they are capable of compacting each lift of material as specified, and that they meet the minimum requirements specified below. Heavier compacting units may be required to achieve the specified density of the embankment. Minimum requirements for rollers are as follows:

(a) Sheepsfoot, tamping, or grid rollers shall be capable of exerting a force of 250 pounds per inch of width of roller drum.

(b) Steel-wheel rollers, other than the vibratory type, shall be capable of exerting a force of not less than 250 pounds per inch of width of the compression roll or rolls.

(c) Vibratory steel-wheel rollers shall have a minimum weight of 6 tons. The compactor shall be equipped with amplitude and frequency controls, and specifically designed to compact the material on which it is used.

(d) Pneumatic-tire rollers shall have smooth tread tires of equal size that will provide a uniform compacting pressure for the full width of the roller and capable of exerting a ground pressure of at least 80 pounds per square inch.

203.16 Embankment Placement. Place embankment in accordance with the following requirements:

(a) *All Methods.* Construct the lower part of the embankment in a single layer to the minimum depth necessary to support construction equipment when an embankment is to be placed across swampy ground and removal of unsuitable material or subgrade treatment is not required.

(b) *Specific Methods.* Place all embankments using one or more of the following methods, as SHOWN ON THE DRAWINGS and listed in the SCHEDULE OF ITEMS:

(1) *Method 1—Side Casting & End Dumping.* Embankment may be placed by side casting and end dumping. Build solid embankments by working smaller rocks and fines in with the larger rocks and fines to fill the voids. Obtain compaction by operating hauling/placement equipment over the full width of the placed layer until visible deformation of the layer ceases.

(2) *Method 2—Layer Placement.* Roughen or step surfaces steeper than a ratio of 1 vertical to 3 horizontal (1:3) upon which embankment is to be placed, when SHOWN ON THE DRAWINGS, in order to provide permanent bonding of new and old materials.

Layer place embankment, except over rock surfaces. Over rock surfaces, material may be placed by end dumping to the minimum depth needed for operation of spreading equipment. Level and smooth each embankment layer before placement of subsequent layers. Operate hauling and spreading equipment uniformly over the full width of each layer.

Place suitable material in layers no more than 12 inches thick, except when the material contains rock more than 9 inches in diameter, in which case layers may be of sufficient thickness to accommodate the material involved. Ensure that no layer exceeds 24 inches before compaction.

Placing individual rocks or boulders greater than 24 inches in diameter will be permitted, provided that the embankment will accommodate them and that they are at least 6 inches below the subgrade. Carefully distribute rocks and fill the voids with finer material to form a dense and compacted mass.

Where material containing large amounts of rock is used to construct embankments, make layers of sufficient thickness to accommodate the material involved. Construct a solid embankment with adequate compaction by working smaller rock and fines in with the larger rocks to fill the voids, and by operating hauling and spreading equipment uniformly over the full width of each layer as the embankment is constructed.

Ensure that material is at a moisture content suitable to obtain a mass that will not visibly deflect under the load of the hauling and spreading equipment. Handle excessively wet material in accordance with Subsection 203.06(c).

(3) *Method 3—Layer Placement (Roller Compaction).* Place embankments as specified in method 2. Place in horizontal layers not exceeding 12 inches prior to compaction, except when the material contains rock more than 9 inches in diameter, in which case layers may be of sufficient thickness to accommodate the material involved. Obtain compaction using equipment listed in Subsection 203.15. Operate compaction equipment over the full width of each layer until visible deformation of the layer ceases or, in the case of the sheepfoot roller, the roller “walks out” of the layer. Make at least three complete passes.

(4) *Method 4—Controlled Compaction.* Place embankments as specified in method 2; but place earth embankments in horizontal layers not exceeding 12 inches (loose measure), and compact them. Ensure that the moisture content of material is suitable for attaining the required compaction. Compact the embankments and the top 12 inches of excavation sections to at least 95 percent of the maximum density, as determined by AASHTO T 99, method C or D.

Determine the density of the embankment material during the progress of the work, in accordance with AASHTO T 191, T 205, or T 238; and T 217, T 239, or T 255. Correct for coarse particles in accordance with AASHTO T 224.

Density requirements will not apply to portions of rock embankments that cannot be tested in accordance with approved methods. When this condition exists, accomplish compaction by working smaller rocks and fines in with the larger rocks to fill the voids and by operating equipment over the embankment materials.

(5) *Method 5—Special Project Controlled Compaction.* Place and compact embankments to at least 90 percent of the maximum density determined by AASHTO T 180, method C or D, but obtain compaction of not less than 95 percent of AASHTO T 180, method C or D, for a minimum depth of 12 inches below subgrade for the width of the roadbed in both excavation and embankment sections.

Determine density during the work in accordance with AASHTO T 191, T 205, or T 238; T 217, T 239, or T 255; and T 224.

203.17 Construction Tolerances. Construct to the tolerance class as SHOWN ON THE DRAWINGS and in accordance with table 203-1. Construct roadway ditches to flow in the direction SHOWN ON THE DRAWINGS.

Ensure that deviations are uniform in the direction of change for a distance of 200 feet or more along the project centerline.

203.18 Haul. Haul is incidental to excavation and borrow excavation, unless listed as a separate PAY ITEM in the SCHEDULE OF ITEMS.

Measurement

203.19 Method. Use the method of measurement that is DESIGNATED IN THE SCHEDULE OF ITEMS.

Quantities of excavation will include:

- (a) Roadway excavation.
- (b) Rock and unsuitable material below the required grade, and unsuitable material beneath embankment areas.
- (c) Furrow ditches outside the roadway, except when furrow ditches are included in the SCHEDULE OF ITEMS.
- (d) Topsoil and other material removed and stockpiled as directed.
- (e) Borrow material used in the work, except when borrow is included in the SCHEDULE OF ITEMS.
- (f) The volume of conserved materials taken from stockpiles and used in the work, except topsoil included under other PAY ITEMS.
- (g) Slide material not attributable to negligence of the Contractor.

Quantities of excavation will not include:

- (a) Material used for other than approved purposes.
- (b) Unauthorized excavation or borrow.
- (c) Quantity of material excavated from slope rounding or slope tapering.
- (d) Overbreakage from the backslope in rock excavation requiring blasting.
- (e) Material scarified in place to receive the first layer of embankment.
- (f) Benching or stepping existing ground for embankment foundation.
- (g) Stepping or scaling cut slopes.
- (h) Oversize material removed when finishing unsurfaced roads.

When designed quantities are DESIGNATED IN THE SCHEDULE OF ITEMS as the method of measurement, estimate the quantities from design data based on undisturbed ground surface elevations.

When staked quantities are DESIGNATED IN THE SCHEDULE OF ITEMS as the method of measurement, determine excavation quantities by the average end area method using slope stake information taken prior to construction.

When actual quantities are DESIGNATED IN THE SCHEDULE OF ITEMS as the method of measurement, take preliminary cross sections, or comparable measurements, of the undisturbed ground surface; and measure final quantities in accordance with the following:

- (a) When excavation is designated as a PAY ITEM in the SCHEDULE OF ITEMS, take final cross sections, or comparable measurements, of the completed and accepted work.
- (b) When embankment is designated as a PAY ITEM in the SCHEDULE OF ITEMS, determine measurement in the final position.
- (c) When borrow excavation is designated as a PAY ITEM in the SCHEDULE OF ITEMS, determine measurement in the original position.

Payment

203.20 Basis. The accepted quantities will be paid for at the contract unit price for each PAY ITEM DESIGNATED IN THE SCHEDULE OF ITEMS. Payment will be made under:

<u>Pay Item</u>	<u>Pay Unit</u>
203 (17)CB Drainage excavation, type Catch Basin.....	Each
203 (17)DD Drainage excavation, type Drain Dip	Each

Section 204—Soil Erosion & Water Pollution Control

Description

204.01 Work. Furnish, construct, and maintain permanent and temporary erosion and sediment control measures.

Materials

204.02 Requirements. Ensure that all other materials are as SHOWN ON THE DRAWINGS or specified in the PROJECT SPECIFICATIONS.

Construction

204.03 Performance. Incorporate all permanent erosion control features into the project at the earliest practicable time to minimize the need for temporary erosion control.

204.04 Construction. Construct erosion control and sediment control measures SHOWN ON THE DRAWINGS as follows:

- (a) Construct temporary erosion controls in incremental stages as construction proceeds.
- (b) Construct temporary slope drains, diversion channels, and earth berms to protect disturbed areas and slopes.
- (c) Apply permanent turf establishment to the finished slopes and ditches within 30 days, or as required in the PROJECT SPECIFICATION or SHOWN ON THE DRAWINGS.
- (d) Apply temporary turf establishment on disturbed areas that will remain exposed for more than 30 days.
- (e) Construct outlet protection as soon as culverts or other structures are complete.
- (f) Construct permanent erosion controls, including waterway linings and slope treatments, as soon as practical or upon completion of the roadbed.
- (g) Construct and maintain erosion controls on and around soil stockpiles to prevent soil loss.
- (h) Following each day's grading operations, shape earthwork to minimize and control erosion from storm runoff.

204.05 Filter Barriers

204.06 Sediment Retention Structures. Construct sediment retention structures of the following types when SHOWN ON THE DRAWINGS:

(a) Temporary Sediment Traps. Construct temporary sediment traps to detain runoff from disturbed areas and settle out sediment. Provide outlet protection.

(b) Sediment Basins. Construct sediment basins to store runoff and settle out sediment for large drainage areas. Construct sediment basins according to Section 203. Provide outlet protection.

204.07 Outlet Protection. Construct riprap aprons or basins to reduce water velocity and prevent scour at the outlet of permanent and temporary erosion control measures. Construct riprap according to Section 251.

204.08 Water Crossings.

204.09 Diversions.

204.10 Waterway & Slope Protection & Stabilization.

204.11 Temporary Turf Establishment.

204.12 Inspection & Reporting

204.13 Maintenance & Cleanup.

Measurement

204.14 Method. Use the method of measurement that is DESIGNATED IN THE SCHEDULE OF ITEMS. **Payment**

204.15 Basis. The accepted quantities will be paid for at the contract unit price for each PAY ITEM DESIGNATED IN THE SCHEDULE OF ITEMS. Payment will be made under:

Section 206A—Structural Excavation for Minor Structures

Description

206A.01 Work. Excavate, backfill, and dispose of material for the construction of culverts and minor structures. Preserve channels; shore and brace; seal foundations; dewater; excavate; prepare foundations; bed; and backfill.

Materials

206A.02 Requirements. Ensure that material conforms to specifications in the following sections and subsections:

(a) Foundation Fill

Furnish granular material free of excess moisture, frozen lumps, roots, sod, and other deleterious material and conforming to the following:

- (a) Material passing 2 inch sieve 100%
- (b) Soil classification, AASHTO M 145 A-1-a
- (c) In wet environments, material passing 200 sieve ... 6% max.

(b) Bedding

Furnish approved sand or fine granular material free of excess moisture, muck, frozen lumps, roots, sod, and other deleterious material. Remove all rock particles and hard earth clods larger than 1.5 inches.

(c) Backfill Material

Furnish granular material or fine compatible soil free of excess moisture, muck, frozen lumps, roots, sod, and other deleterious material. Remove all rock particles and hard earth clods larger than 3 inches in the longest dimension.

Construction

206A.03 Preparation for Structural Excavation. Clear the area of vegetation and obstructions according to Sections 201 and 202.

206A.04 General. Excavate trenches or foundation pits according to the following:

(a) Minor Structures. Clean all loose material from all rock or other foundation material and cut to a firm surface that is level, stepped, or serrated. Remove all loose and disintegrated rock and thin strata. When the footing is to rest on material other than rock, complete the excavation just before the footing is to be placed.

(b) Culverts. Construct the width of trenches in natural ground to permit satisfactory joining of the culvert sections and thorough tamping of the bedding material under and around the culvert. Excavate trenches to a minimum width equal to the culvert diameter plus 24 inches.

Construct trenches for culverts being placed in embankments to a width of one diameter, plus one diameter on each side.

Excavate unsuitable foundation material below the invert of the culvert to an approximate depth of 24 inches and a width of at least the culvert diameter plus 4 feet. Remove rock, hardpan, or other unyielding material below the foundation grade for a depth of at least 12 inches and a width of at least 24 inches greater than the outside width of the culvert.

Excavate to foundation grade without unduly disturbing the trench or foundation surface. Foundation grade is the elevation at the bottom of any bedding for the installation of the structure.

206A.05 Channel Preservation.

206A.06 Foundation Seal.

206A.07 Dewatering.

206A.08 Foundation Preparation. Excavate any unsuitable material present at foundation grade, and replace it with foundation fill.

206A.09 Utilization of Excavated Materials. Utilize all suitable excavated material as backfill or embankment. Do not place excavated material in live streams.

Dispose of all surplus material as SHOWN ON THE DRAWINGS or DIRECTED BY THE ENGINEER. Do not deposit excavated material in a manner that will endanger the partly finished structure.

206A.10 Backfill & Embankments for Minor Structures. Backfill excavated areas around minor structures to the level of the original ground surface. Backfill with selected material placed in horizontal layers not over 6 inches (loose measure) in depth. Use compactible material free of frozen lumps, chunks of highly plastic clay, or other objectionable material. Do not use rocks larger than 3 inches in diameter within 12 inches of the structure. Compact each layer in accordance with Subsection 203.16(b), method 3, using a mechanical tamper.

206A.11 Bedding, Backfill, & Embankment for Pipe Culverts. Install bedding, backfill, and embankment for pipe culverts in accordance with Sections 603, 603A, and 603B, unless otherwise SHOWN ON THE DRAWINGS or described in the PROJECT SPECIFICATIONS.

Measurement

206A.12 Method. Use the method of measurement that is DESIGNATED IN THE SCHEDULE OF ITEMS.

Measure bedding material by the cubic meter in place. Measure foundation fill under Section 206.

Payment

206A.13 Basis. Payment will be considered incidental to other pay items in this contract.

Section 306—Reconditioning Existing Road

Description

306.01 Work. Recondition existing road; clean ditches, cattleguards, and culverts, including inlets and outlets; remove slide material; scarify where SHOWN ON THE DRAWINGS; and shape and compact the traveled way and shoulders, including parking areas, turnouts, and approach road intersections.

Construction

306.02 Blading & Shaping. Unless otherwise SHOWN ON THE DRAWINGS, blade and shape the existing traveled way and shoulders, including turnouts, to remove minor surface irregularities. Maintain the existing cross slope or crown, unless otherwise SHOWN ON THE DRAWINGS. Establish a blading pattern that will retain the surfacing on the roadbed and provide a thorough mixing of the materials within the completed surface width.

Scarify and shape the existing traveled way and shoulders at locations and to the depth and width SHOWN ON THE DRAWINGS. Remove any rock larger than 4 inches in its greatest dimension that is brought to the surface during scarification, except as provided below.

306.03 Rock Reduction.

306.04 Drainage. Grade the ditches to the typical sections and at the locations SHOWN ON THE DRAWINGS. Clean culverts to drain.

Remove excess materials from the roadbed, culverts, and ditches, and place material as SHOWN ON THE DRAWINGS.

306.05 Cattleguards.

306.06 Compaction. Shape and compact the traveled way and shoulders using one of the methods described below and DESIGNATED IN THE SCHEDULE OF ITEMS.

(a) Compaction A. Compact the aggregate by operating spreading and hauling equipment over the full width of each layer of the aggregate.

(b) Compaction B. Moisten or dry the aggregate to a uniform moisture content suitable for compaction. Operate rollers that meet the requirements specified in Subsection 203.15(b), (c), or (d) over the full width of each layer until visual displacement ceases, making no fewer than three complete passes.

(c) Compaction C. Compact each layer of aggregate to a density of at least 95 percent of the maximum density, as determined by AASHTO T 99, method C or D.

(1) Compaction C-1. Compact each layer of aggregate to a density of at least 96 percent of the maximum density, as determined by the Modified Marshall Hammer Compaction Method (available upon request from USDA Forest Service, Regional Materials Engineering Center, P.O. Box 7669, Missoula, MT 59807).

(d) Compaction D. Compact each layer of aggregate to a density of at least 95 percent of the maximum density, as determined by AASHTO T 180, method C or D.

(1) Compaction D-1. Compact each layer of aggregate to a density of at least 100 percent of the maximum density as determined by the Modified Marshall Hammer Compaction Method (available upon request from USDA Forest Service, Regional Materials Engineering Center, P.O. Box 7669,

Missoula, MT 59807).

(e) Compaction E. Ensure that materials produced by pit-run and grid-rolling are visually moist and compacted using operating compaction equipment defined in Subsection 203.15(b), (c), and (d) over the full width of each layer until visual displacement ceases.

For all compaction methods, blade the surface of each layer during the compaction operations to remove irregularities and produce a smooth, even surface. When a density requirement is specified, determine the density of each layer in accordance with AASHTO T 191, T 205, T 238, T 217, T 239, T 255, or T 224.

Measurement

306.07 Method. Use the method of measurement that is DESIGNATED IN THE SCHEDULE OF ITEMS.

Payment

306.08 Basis. The accepted quantities will be paid for at the contract unit price for each PAY ITEM DESIGNATED IN THE SCHEDULE OF ITEMS. Payment will be made under:

<u>Pay Item</u>	<u>Pay Unit</u>
306 (01) Reconditioning of roadbed, compaction A	Lineal Mile

Section 601—Mobilization

Description

601.01 Work. Move personnel, equipment, material, and incidentals to the project, and perform all activities necessary to accomplish work at the project site. Obtain permits, insurance, and bonds.

Measurement

601.02 Method. Measure mobilization by the lump sum.

Payment

601.03 Basis. The accepted quantity, measured as provided above, will be paid at the contract price per unit of measurement for the PAY ITEM listed below that is DESIGNATED IN THE SCHEDULE OF ITEMS.

The mobilization lump sum will be paid as follows:

(a) If applicable, bond premiums will be reimbursed according to FAR clause 52.232-5, Payment Under Fixed-Price Construction Contracts, after receipt of evidence of payment.

(b) Fifty percent of the lump sum, not to exceed 5 percent of the original contract amount, will be paid following completion of 5 percent of the original contract amount, not including mobilization.

(c) Payment of the remaining portion of the lump sum, up to 10 percent of the original contract amount, will be paid following completion of 10 percent of the original contract amount, not including mobilization.

(d) Any portion of the lump sum in excess of 10 percent of the original contract amount will be paid after final acceptance. Payment will be made under:

<u>Pay Item</u>	<u>Pay Unit</u>
601 (01) Mobilization	Lump Sum

Section 625—Seeding & Mulching

Description

625.01 Work. Prepare seedbeds, and furnish and place required seed, fertilizer, limestone, mulch, net, and blanket material.

Materials

625.02 Requirements. Ensure that materials meet the requirements specified in the following subsections:

Fertilizer	713.03
Mulch	713.05
Seed	713.04

Construction

625.03 Seeding Seasons. The normal season dates for seeding shall be from April 1 to November 30. Seeding materials shall not be applied during windy weather or when the ground is excessively wet or frozen, or when snow depth is greater than 2 inches.

625.04 Soil Preparation. Finish the areas to be seeded, as required by other applicable sections, to the lines and grades SHOWN ON THE DRAWINGS. Restore areas that are damaged by erosion or other causes. Ensure that the surface soil is in a roughened condition favorable for germination and growth.

625.05 Application Methods for Seed, Fertilizer, & Limestone. To control erosion, apply seed to disturbed soil and slopes within 30 days of disturbance. If the slopes have not been finished, apply the seed by the dry method as an interim erosion control measure. Apply fertilizer with the seed when specified in the PROJECT SPECIFICATIONS.

The following methods may be used to place material AS DESIGNATED IN THE SCHEDULE OF ITEMS:

(a) Hydraulic Method.

(b) Dry Method. Use hand-operated devices, mechanical, landscape, or cultipacker seeders, seed drills, fertilizer spreaders, or other approved mechanical seeding equipment to apply the seed or seed and fertilizer.

The kinds of seed to be furnished and the amounts to be applied in terms of pure live seed shall be:

<u>Kind of Seed</u>	<u>Quantity of Pure Live Seed (Lbs/Acre)</u>
1. Slender Wheatgrass (elymus trachycaulus)	6.0
2. Mountain Brome (bromus marginatus)	9.0
3. Bluebunch Wheatgrass (pseudoroegneria spicata)	4.0
4. Blue Wild Rye (elymus glaucus)	5.0

Pounds of seed to be furnished per acre shall be obtained by dividing the pounds of pure live seed required per acre by the product of the percent purity and percent germination.

Example: $\frac{5 \text{ lbs. PPLS}}{0.90 \times 0.85} = 6.55 \text{ lbs commercial seed per acre applied}$

Where: 5 lbs. PPLS = pounds pure live seed per acre required; Purity = 90%; Germination = 85%

Certified, blue-tagged seed shall be used where a name variety or cultivar is specified. Blue tags which are removed to mix the seed shall be provided to the Engineer. All seed purchased will be certified to be free of noxious weed seeds listed on the current "All States Noxious Weeds List." Test results from a certified seed analyst and seed analysis labels attached to the bags will be provided to the Forest Service.

Lab testing for noxious weeds will be conducted prior to seed mixing. Only after a finding and documentation in writing of no seeds on the current "All States Noxious Weeds List" will the seed be accepted and used.

Fertilizer shall be applied at a rate of 100 pounds per acre in one application by the dry method and have a chemical analysis as listed below:

<u>Nutrient</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Nitrogen, N	16
Phosphorus, P ₂ O ₅	16
Potassium, K	16

625.06 Application of Mulch. The following methods may be used to apply mulch:

(a) Hydraulic Method.

(b) Dry Method. After completion of seeding and fertilizing apply mulch uniformly at the rate of 2,000 pounds per acre, so that 60% of the seeded area is covered by a thin layer of straw. Coverage shall be measured by visual means.

Mulch material shall be clean, Montana certified weed free, clean straw.

625.07 Installation of Netting & Erosion Control Blankets.

625.08 Care During Construction. Protect and care for seeded areas until the work is finally accepted. Repair all damage to seeded areas caused by construction, without additional compensation.

Measurement

625.09 Method. Use the method of measurement that is DESIGNATED IN THE SCHEDULE OF ITEMS.

Base area computations on surface measurements.

Payment

625.10 Basis. The accepted quantities will be paid for at the contract unit price for each PAY ITEM DESIGNATED IN THE SCHEDULE OF ITEMS. Payment will be made under:

<u>Pay Item</u>	<u>Pay Unit</u>
625 (02) Seeding, fertilizing, and mulching, dry method.....	Lump Sum

Section 650—Removal of Closure Devices

Description

650.01 Work. Furnish equipment and labor to remove road closure devices to access National Forest roads. Road closure devices include post and rail barriers, concrete barriers, earth mound barriers, boulders and other devices.

Materials

650.02 Requirements. Furnish material and equipment to be used in removal, dismantling, and disposal of closure devices to facilitate travel on road. Utilize berm excavation material to fill voids in road bed. Remove all objects larger than 4 in dia. from top 6 in of road surface.

Construction

650.03 Performance. Remove road closure devices at designated locations.

After removal of road closure devices compact all disturbed material within road prism until visual deformation ceases. Develop, haul, and apply water to achieve optimum moisture content to achieve acceptable compaction.

Closure devices shall be removed and be passable by conventional passenger vehicles, with smooth transitions to promote driver comfort and safety.

650.04 Acceptance. Removal of road closure devices will be evaluated under Subsections 106.02 and 106.04

Measurement

650.05 Measure the items listed in the bid schedule according to Subsection 109.02

Payment

650.06 The accepted quantities, measured as provided in Subsection 109.02 and above, will be paid at the contract price per unit of measurement for the Section 650 pay item listed in the bid schedule. Payment will be full compensation for the work prescribed in this Section. See Subsection 109.05.

Payment

625.10 Basis. The accepted quantities will be paid for at the contract unit price for each PAY ITEM DESIGNATED IN THE SCHEDULE OF ITEMS. Payment will be made under:

<u>Pay Item</u>	<u>Pay Unit</u>
650 (03) Removal Of Earth Berm	Lump Sum

Section 713—Roadside Improvement Material

713.01 Topsoil

713.02 Agricultural Limestone

713.03 Fertilizer

Furnish standard commercial-grade dry formulated fertilizer conforming to the standards of the Association of Official Analytical Chemists International, applicable State and Federal regulations, and required minimum percentages of available nutrients.

Supply the fertilizer in new, clean, sealed, and properly labeled containers with name, weight, and guaranteed analysis of contents clearly marked.

A liquid form of fertilizer containing the minimum percentage of available nutrients may be used.

713.04 Seed

Furnish seed that conforms to FSS JJJ-S-181 for seed testing and quality, and is in conformance with the State Seed Acts. If seed species in the specified seed mix are not listed in FSS JJJ-S-181, furnish certified weed-free seed. Do not use wet, moldy, or otherwise contaminated or damaged seed.

Provide seeds as follows:

- (a) Furnish each seed type in a separate standard sealed container. Clearly label each container with the following:
 - (1) Name and type of seed.
 - (2) Lot number.
 - (3) Net weight.
 - (4) Percent of purity, germination, and hard seed.
 - (5) Percent of maximum weed seed content.

Inoculate legume seed with approved cultures, in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

- (b) Furnish a product certification for each kind or type of seed, certifying that the seed was tested by a recognized laboratory within 6 months of the date of delivery. Include the following:
 - (1) Name and address of testing laboratory.
 - (2) Date of test.
 - (3) Seed identification.
 - (4) Test results showing the percentages of purity, germination, and weed content.
 - (5) Certified weed-free seed.

713.05 Mulch

(a) **Straw.** Obtain straw for mulching from oats, wheat, rye, or other grain crops that are free from weeds, mold, and other objectionable material. Furnish straw mulch in an air-dry condition suitable for placing with mulch blower equipment.

(b) **Hay.** Obtain hay from herbaceous mowing. Ensure that it is free from weeds, mold, and other objectionable material. Furnish hay in an air-dry condition suitable for placing with mulch-blower equipment.

713.06 Plant Material

713.07 Erosion Control Mats, Roving, & Geocell

713.08 Miscellaneous Planting Material

713.09 Sprigs

713.10 Sod

713.11 Pegs for Sod

713.12 Stabilizing Emulsion Tackifiers

713.13 Bales

713.14 Sandbags

713.15 Erosion Control Culvert Pipe

713.16 Silt Fence

If approved, variations from the above may be permitted to accommodate premanufactured fences.