STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION HIGHWAY DIVISION 2

# PROPOSAL SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE

DATE AND TIME OF BID OPENING: February 8, 2023 AT 2:00 PM

DATE AND TIME OF PRE-BID CONFERENCE: January 25, 2023 AT 10:00 AM

**CONTRACT ID: 12062019** 

WBS ELEMENT NO.: VARIOUS

**COUNTY:** Carteret and Craven Counties

MILES: VARIOUS MILES

**ROUTE NO.:** PRIMARY ROUTES

LOCATION: CARTERET AND CRAVEN COUNTIES

TYPE OF WORK: LITTER PICK UP

#### **NOTICE:**

ALL BIDDERS SHALL COMPLY WITH ALL APPLICABLE LAWS REGULATING THE PRACTICE OF GENERAL CONTRACTING AS CONTAINED IN CHAPTER 87 OF THE GENERAL STATUTES OF NORTH CAROLINA WHICH REQUIRES THE BIDDER TO BE LICENSED BY THE N.C. LICENSING BOARD FOR CONTRACTORS WHEN BIDDING ON ANY NON-FEDERAL AID PROJECT WHERE THE BID IS \$30,000 OR MORE, EXCEPT FOR CERTAIN SPECIALTY WORK AS DETERMINED BY THE LICENSING BOARD. BIDDERS SHALL ALSO COMPLY WITH ALL OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS REGULATING THE PRACTICES OF ELECTRICAL, PLUMBING, HEATING AND AIR CONDITIONING AND REFRIGERATION CONTRACTING AS CONTAINED IN CHAPTER 87 OF THE GENERAL STATUTES OF NORTH CAROLINA. NOTWITHSTANDING THESE LIMITATIONS ON BIDDING, THE BIDDER WHO IS AWARDED ANY FEDERAL - AID FUNDED PROJECT SHALL COMPLY WITH CHAPTER 87 OF THE GENERAL STATUTES OF NORTH CAROLINA FOR LICENSING REQUIREMENTS WITHIN 60 CALENDAR DAYS OF BID OPENING.

THIS IS A ROADWAY PROJECT.

BID BONDS ARE NOT REQUIRED.

NAME OF BIDDER

ADDRESS OF BIDDER

# PROPOSAL FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF CONTRACT No. 12062019 IN CARTERET AND CRAVEN COUNTIES, NORTH CAROLINA FEBRUARY 8, 2023

# DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA

The Bidder has carefully examined the location of the proposed work to be known as Contract No. 12062019; has carefully examined the plans and specifications, which are acknowledged to be part of the proposal, the special provisions, the proposal, the form of contract, and the forms of contract payment bond and contract performance bond; and thoroughly understands the stipulations, requirements and provisions. The undersigned bidder agrees to bound upon his execution of the bid and subsequent award to him by the Department of Transportation in accordance with this proposal to provide the necessary contract payment bond and contract performance bond within fourteen days after the written notice of award is received by him. The undersigned Bidder further agrees to provide all necessary machinery, tools, labor, and other means of construction; and to do all the work and to furnish all materials, except as otherwise noted, necessary to perform and complete the said contract in accordance with the 2018 Standard Specifications for Roads and Structures by the dates(s) specified in the Project Special Provisions and in accordance with the requirements of the Engineer, and at the unit or lump sum prices, as the case may be, for the various items given on the sheets contained herein.

The Bidder shall provide and furnish all the materials, machinery, implements, appliances and tools, and perform the work and required labor to construct and complete State Highway Contract No. 12062019 in Carteret and Craven Counties, for the unit or lump sum prices, as the case may be, bid by the Bidder in his bid and according to the proposal, plans, and specifications prepared by said Department, which proposal, plans, and specifications show the details covering this project, and hereby become a part of this contract.

The published volume entitled *North Carolina Department of Transportation, Raleigh, Standard Specifications for Roads and Structures, January 2018* with all amendments and supplements thereto, is by reference incorporated into and made a part of this contract; that, except as herein modified, all the construction and work included in this contract is to be done in accordance with the specifications contained in said volume, and amendments and supplements thereto, under the direction of the Engineer.

If the proposal is accepted and the award is made, the contract is valid only when signed either by the Contract Officer or such other person as may be designated by the Secretary to sign for the Department of Transportation. The conditions and provisions herein cannot be changed except over the signature of the said Contract Officer or Division Engineer.

The quantities shown in the itemized proposal for the project are considered to be approximate only and are given as the basis for comparison of bids. The Department of Transportation may increase or decrease the quantity of any item or portion of the work as may be deemed necessary or expedient.

An increase or decrease in the quantity of an item will not be regarded as sufficient ground for an increase or decrease in the unit prices, nor in the time allowed for the completion of the work, except as provided for the contract.



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# **INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS**

# PLEASE READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY BEFORE PREPARING AND SUBMITTING YOUR BID.

All bids shall be prepared and submitted in accordance with the following requirements. Failure to comply with any requirement may cause the bid to be considered irregular and may be grounds for rejection of the bid.

#### TRADITIONAL PAPER BIDS:

- 1. Small Business Enterprise bidders shall submit a SBE Application for Certification Form within the NC Online Certification System on the Department's website and have been approved by the Office of Civil Rights prior to bidding. The SBE shall submit this form for approval at a minimum of one week prior to bidding.
- 2. Download the entire proposal from the Connect NCDOT website and return the entire proposal with your bid.
- **3.** If the Interested Parties List provision SP01 G02 is part of the proposal prior to submitting a bid on a project, the bidder shall sign up on the *Interested Parties List* in conformance with Interested Parties List provision SP01 G02.
- 4. All entries on the itemized proposal sheet (bid form) shall be written in ink or typed.
- 5. The Bidder shall submit a unit price for every item on the itemized proposal sheet. The unit prices for the various contract items shall be written in figures. Unit prices shall be rounded off by the Bidder to contain no more than FOUR decimal places.
- **6.** An amount bid shall be entered on the itemized proposal sheet for every item. The amount bid for each item shall be determined by multiplying each unit bid by the quantity for that item, and shall be written in figures in the "Amount" column of the form.
- 7. The total amount bid shall be written in figures in the proper place on the bid form. The total amount bid shall be determined by adding the amounts bid for each item.
- **8.** Changes to any entry shall be made by marking through the entry in ink and making the correct entry adjacent thereto in ink. A representative of the Bidder shall initial the change in ink. Do not use correction fluid, correction tape or similar product to make corrections.
- 9. The bid shall be properly executed on the included Execution of Bid Non-collusion, Debarment and Gift Ban Certification form. All bids shall show the following information:
  - a. Name of corporation, partnership, Limited Liability Company, joint venture, individual or firm, submitting bid.
    - Corporations that have a corporate seal should include it on the bid.
  - b. Name of individual or representative submitting bid and position or title held on behalf of the bidder.
  - c. Name, signature, and position or title of witness.
- 10. The bid shall not contain any unauthorized additions, deletions, or conditional bids.
- 11. The Bidder shall not add any provision reserving the right to accept or reject an award, or to enter into a contract pursuant to an award.
- 12. <u>THE PROPOSAL WITH THE ITEMIZED PROPOSAL SHEET ATTACHED</u> SHALL BE PLACED IN A <u>SEALED</u> ENVELOPE AND SHALL BE DELIVERED TO AND RECEIVED IN THE NCDOT DIVISION OFFICE, LOCATED AT 1037 WH Smith Blvd, BY 2:00 PM ON, February 8, 2023.
- 13. The sealed bid must display the following statement on the front of the sealed envelope:

QUOTATION FOR 12062019-LITTER PICKUP IN CARTERET AND CRAVEN COUNTIES TO BE OPENED AT 2:00 PM ON, February 8, 2023.

**14.** If delivered by mail, the sealed envelope shall be placed in another sealed envelope and the outer envelope shall be addressed as follows:

N. C. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION ATTN: Mary Moore, PE 1037 WH Smith Blvd Greenville, NC 27834

#### PROJECT SPECIAL PROVISIONS

#### **GENERAL**

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This contract is for litter/debris removal and recycling on primary roads and their interchanges in Carteret and Craven Counties in Division 2. The Contractor is to provide all equipment, labor and material.

All materials and workmanship shall be in accordance with the following:

The Project Special Provisions, Project Standard Provisions, most current Standard Special Provisions, *Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD)*, Provisions contained in the applicable Sections of the North Carolina Department of Transportation's 2018 Standard Specifications for Roads and Structures and Drawings contained in the applicable sections of the North Carolina Department of Transportation's 2018 Roadway Standard Drawings shall apply.

The published volume entitled *North Carolina Department of Transportation, Standard Specifications for Roads and Structures*, with all amendments and supplements thereto, is by reference incorporated into and made a part of this contract; that, except as herein modified, all the construction and work included in the contract is to be done in accordance with the specifications contained in said volume, and amendments and supplements thereto, under the direction of the Engineer.

The Contractor shall keep himself fully informed of all Federal, State, and local laws, ordinances, and regulations, and shall comply with the provisions of Section 107 of the *Standard Specifications*.

These manuals may be found at the following websites: <a href="http://mutcd.fhwa.dot.gov/">https://mutcd.fhwa.dot.gov/</a> and <a href="https://connect.ncdot.gov/resources/Specifications/Pages/2018-Specifications-and-Special-Provisions.aspx">https://connect.ncdot.gov/resources/Specifications/Pages/2018-Specifications-and-Special-Provisions.aspx</a>.

#### **CONTRACTOR PREQUALIFICATION:**

(10-18-22) 102 SP1 G01

Revise the 2018 Standard Specifications as follows:

**Page 1-10, Subarticle 102-2(A) Bidder Prequalification,** lines 30-31, delete and replace the first sentence with the following:

Prospective bidders shall obtain prequalification approval at least two business days prior to any letting in which they intend to submit a bid. It is recommended that the prospective bidder file all required statements and documents with the State Prequalifications Engineer no less than 4 weeks before a given letting.

Page 1-11, Subarticle 102-2(B) Purchase Order Bidder Prequalification, lines 16-18, delete and replace the first sentence with the following:

Prospective bidders shall obtain prequalification approval at least two business days prior to any letting in which they intend to submit a bid. It is recommended that the applicant file all required statements and documents with the State Prequalifications Engineer no less than 4 weeks before a given bid opening for their bid to be considered.

**Page 1-11, Subarticle 102-2(C) Subcontractor Prequalification,** lines 44-45, delete and replace the first sentence with the following:

The subcontractor shall file all required statements and documents with the State Prequalifications Engineer no less than 4 weeks before beginning work.

Page 1-12, Subarticle 102-2(E) Renewal and Requalification, lines 38-40, delete and replace the first sentence with the following:

It is recommended that the renewing or requalifying firm file all required statements and documents with the State Prequalifications Engineer no less than 4 weeks before a given letting for their bid to be considered.

# MANDATORY PRE-BID CONFERENCE AND PROPOSAL REVIEW

<u>Early arrival is strongly recommended</u>, as latecomers will be disqualified from award for the contract covered by this pre-bid conference.

In order for all prospective bidders to have an extensive knowledge of the project, all **prospective** bidders shall attend a Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference as shown below:

**Date:** January 25, 2023

**Time:** 10:00 AM

Division 2 Division Conference Room 2815 Rouse Road EXTENSION Kinston NC 28504

(Directly across the street from the Kinston Regional Jetport Terminal)

# NOTE: BRING A COPY OF THE CONTRACT PROPOSAL TO THE CONFERENCE. PROPOSALS WILL NOT BE PROVIDED. BIDDERS ARE EXPECTED TO READ THE PROPOSAL PRIOR TO THE CONFERENCE.

This conference will be conducted by Department personnel to ensure all prospective bidders are given an opportunity to obtain information relevant to the project and given an opportunity to ask any questions they may have. The pre-bid conference will include a thorough discussion of the plans, contract pay items, special provisions, etc. The Engineer will explain areas of responsibility, standards of performance and expected results.

Any changes made to the contract during the pre-bid conference will be documented and included in an addendum to be posted on Interactive Purchasing System (IPS) https://www.ips.state.nc.us/ips/. The entire addendum must be returned with the bid package,

signed and dated. Failure to do so will result in disqualification of bid.

#### MANDATORY PRE-BID CONFERENCE: ELIGIBILITY TO BID

All prospective bidders at the Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference shall meet all of the requirements as shown below:

Only contractors currently certified as a SBE Contractor by the Contractual Services Unit of NCDOT and listed in the Directory of Transportation Firms at bid opening will be eligible to bid on this project.

<u>In addition, only Bidders who have attended the entire conference and properly registered at the Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference will be considered eligible to bid on this project.</u> A bid received from a Bidder who has not attended and properly registered at the conference will be <u>rejected</u> as an irregular bid and will not be considered for award.

Attendance at the Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference will not meet the requirements of proper registration unless the individual attending has registered at the conference in accordance with the following:

- 1. The individual attending the Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference is a **full time employee of the company bidding on the project** and has **administrative/supervisory authority** over the work to be performed under **this contract**.
- 2. The individual signs his/her name and company title on the official roster.
- 3. Only one company is shown as being represented by the individual attending.
- 4. The individual shall sign out when the pre-bid conference is completed.

Attendance at any prior pre-bid conference will not meet the requirements of this provision.

# **BOND REQUIREMENTS - No Bonds Required**

(06-01-16)

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The provisions of Articles 102-10 and 103-7 of the 2018 Standard Specifications for Roads and Structures are waived for this project. No bonds required.

#### **CONTRACT TIME AND LIQUIDATED DAMAGES:**

(7-1-95) (Rev. 12-18-07)

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SP1 G10 A

The date of availability for this contract is **April 3, 2023**.

The completion date for this contract is **December 31, 2023**.

The Contractor shall submit a bid for the remainder of this year, ending December 31, 2023. At the option of the Department, this contract may be extended for two (2) additional periods of one (1) year each for a maximum period of three (3) years total. Extensions for additional term(s) are

not guaranteed. Each line item bid price will be increased for each one (1) year extension by two (2) percent of the current price. No changes in the terms, conditions, etc. of this contract will be made when an extension to the contract is implemented. Including all renewals, the total contract expenditures shall not exceed the maximum purchase order value of \$5 million.

The Contractor will be notified within sixty (60) days before expiration of the contract if NCDOT chooses not to offer an extension. Upon receipt of notification, the Contractor must notify the Engineer in writing within thirty (30) days the contract completion date of his/her acceptance or rejection of this offer. Failure on the part of the Contractor to reply will be considered a rejection of the contract extension. NCDOT is under no obligation to renew this contract beyond its original one (1) year period.

# INTERMEDIATE CONTRACT TIME NUMBER 1 AND LIQUIDATED DAMAGES

# Intermediate Completion Times

Intermediate Completion Times (ICTs) for litter/debris pickup on routes in both counties, plus any additional litter/debris pickup as directed by the Engineer in the respective cycle. Contractor shall begin work within five (5) working days of the Date of Availability. Refer to the following table for ICT dates. The Start Date for Cycle 1 in each year may be adjusted by the Engineer. If such a change is made, the Start Date and Finish Date of cycles 2-5 within that term will be adjusted forward or backward by the same number of days. If this contract is renewed, ICTs will apply to their respective renewal years.

Cycle	<b>Date of Availability</b>	Type of Work	Date of Completion
1	April 3, 2023	Litter/Debris Pickup	May 13, 2023
2	May 22, 2023	Litter/Debris Pickup	July 1, 2023
3	July 3, 2023	Litter/Debris Pickup	August 12, 2023
4	August 28, 2023	Litter/Debris Pickup	October 7, 2023
5	October 9, 2023	Litter/Debris Pickup	November 18, 2023

# Liquidated Damages

The Contractor shall incur Liquidated Damages in the amount of **Two Hundred Fifty Dollars** (\$250.00) for each calendar day after five days from the Date of Availability that the Contractor has not begun work beginning the sixth day after notification and continuing until work begins.

The Contractor shall incur Liquidated Damages in the amount of **Two Hundred Fifty Dollars** (\$250.00) for each calendar day for which acceptable completion of work is delayed beyond its intermediate Date of Completion.

#### Day And Time Restrictions for Litter/Debris Pickup

The Contractor shall complete the required work of installing, maintaining, and removing the traffic control devices where required. Unless approved by the Engineer, the Contractor shall not perform any work on this project and/or close or narrow a lane of traffic on this project during the following time restrictions:

- Monday–Friday from thirty (30) minutes before sunset to thirty (30) minutes after sunrise the following day.
- Saturday from thirty (30) minutes before sunset to thirty (30) minutes after sunrise the following Monday.

The time of availability for this intermediate contract work shall be the time the Contractor begins to install all traffic control devices where required or begins litter/debris pickup operations according to the time restrictions listed herein.

The completion time for this intermediate contract work shall be the time the Contractor removes all traffic control devices where required or stops litter/debris pickup operations according to the time restrictions listed herein.

#### INTERMEDIATE CONTRACT TIME NUMBER 2 AND LIQUIDATED DAMAGES

The Contractor shall not work within the roadway or associated right of way on <u>ANY STATE</u> <u>MAINTAINED ROUTE</u>, detain and /or alter the traffic flow on or during holiday weekends, special events, or any other time when traffic is unusually heavy, including the following schedules:

#### **HOLIDAY AND HOLIDAY WEEKEND WORK RESTRICTIONS:**

- 1. For **unexpected occurrence** that creates unusually high traffic volumes, as directed by the Engineer.
- 2. For New Year's Day, between the hours of 4:00 p.m. December 31st and 8:30 a.m. January 2nd. If New Year's Day is on a Friday, Saturday, Sunday or Monday, then until 8:30 a.m. the following Tuesday.
- 3. For Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, between the hours of 4:00 p.m. Friday and 8:30 a.m. Tuesday.
- 4. For Easter, between the hours of 4:00 p.m. Thursday and 8:30 a.m. Monday.
- 5. For Memorial Day, between the hours of 4:00 p.m. Friday and 8:30 a.m. Tuesday.

- 6. For **Independence Day**, between the hours of **4:00 p.m.** the day before Independence Day and **8:30 a.m.** the day after Independence Day.
  - If **Independence Day** is on a Friday, Saturday, Sunday or Monday, then between the hours of **4:00 p.m.** the Thursday before Independence Day and **8:30 a.m.** the Tuesday after Independence Day.
- 7. For Labor Day, between the hours of 4:00 p.m. Friday and 8:30 a.m. Tuesday.
- 8. For Veteran's Day, between the hours of 4:00 p.m. Friday and 8:30 a.m. Tuesday.
- 9. For **Thanksgiving Day**, between the hours of **4:00 p.m.** Tuesday and **8:30 a.m.** Monday.
- 10. For **Christmas**, between the hours of **4:00 p.m.** the Friday before the week of Christmas Day and **8:30 a.m.** the following Tuesday after the week of Christmas Day.

Holidays and holiday weekends shall include New Years, Easter, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving, and Christmas. The Contractor shall schedule his work so that work is not required during these periods, unless otherwise directed by the Engineer.

Hours of work are restricted to daylight hours. No work will be allowed on Sundays unless approved in writing by the Engineer.

Liquidated damages for this contract are **Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00)** per hour or portion thereof that the Contractor operates outside of the work hours as stated above.

The Contractor shall remove all bags and piles of refuse by the end of the work day unless approved by the Engineer or his/her representative. The liquidated damages for not complying with the removal of litter/debris will be Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) per calendar day.

#### INTERMEDIATE CONTRACT TIME NUMBER 3 AND LIQUIDATED DAMAGES

The Contractor shall complete the work required for the On Call Litter/Debris Removal and Recycling on all routes as identified by the Engineer and shall place and maintain traffic on same.

The date of availability for this intermediate contract time is on the day of notification.

The completion time for this intermediate contract time is within ten (10) calendar days of notification.

The liquidated damages for failing to complete work within the specified time frame is **Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00)** per calendar day beginning the eleventh day after notification and continuing until work is completed.

#### PROGRESS AND PROSECUTION

The Contractor will be required to prosecute the work in a continuous and uninterrupted manner from the time he begins the work until completion and final acceptance of the project. The Contractor will not be permitted to suspend his operations except for reasons beyond his control or except where the Engineer has authorized a suspension of the Contractor's operations in writing.

It is further the intent that the Contractor shall pursue the work diligently with workmen in sufficient numbers, abilities, and supervision, and with the equipment, materials, and methods of construction as may be required to complete the work described in the contract, or as may be amended, by the completion date and in accordance with Section 108 of the <u>Standard Specifications</u>.

The Contractor's vehicles and equipment shall not be parked within the State Highway System right of way overnight or at other times when work has been suspended unless approved by the Engineer, and in no case within 30 feet of the edge of pavement. The Engineer may designate specific locations for parking equipment.

The Contractor shall adhere to all applicable regulations and follow accepted safety procedures when working in the vicinity of utilities in order to insure the safety of construction personnel and the public.

In the event that the Contractor's operations are suspended in violation of the above provisions, the sum of **Five Hundred (\$500.00)** will be charged to the contractor for each and every calendar day that such suspension takes place. The said amount is hereby agreed upon as liquidated damages. Liquidated damages chargeable due to suspension of the work will be additional to any liquidated damages that may become chargeable due to failure to complete the work by the completion date

#### TRAFFIC CONTROL AND WORK ZONE SAFETY

The Contractor shall maintain traffic during construction and provide, install, and maintain all traffic control devices in accordance with these project guidelines, the Project Traffic Control Plans, the Project Special Provisions, North Carolina Department of Transportation Standard Specifications for Roads and Structures 2018, and the current edition of the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD).

The Contractor shall utilize complete and proper traffic controls and traffic control devices during all operations. All traffic control and traffic control devices required for any operation shall be functional and in place prior to the commencement of that operation. Signs for temporary operations shall be removed during periods of inactivity. The Contractor is required to leave the project in a manner that will be safe to the traveling public and which will not impede motorists.

Traffic movements through lane closures on roads with two way traffic shall be controlled by flaggers stationed at each end of the work zone. In situations where sight distance is limited, the Contractor shall provide additional means of controlling traffic, including, but not limited to, two-way radios, pilot vehicles, or additional flaggers. Flaggers shall be competent personnel,

adequately trained in flagging procedures, and furnished with proper safety devices and equipment, including, but not limited to, safety vests and stop/slow paddles.

All personnel when working in traffic areas or areas in close proximity to traffic shall wear an approved safety vest which meets the color requirements of the <u>Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices</u> (MUTCD).

The Contractor shall comply with all applicable Federal, State, and local laws, ordinances, and regulations governing safety, health, and sanitation, and shall provide all safeguards, safety devices, and protective equipment, and shall take any other needed actions, on his own responsibility that are reasonably necessary to protect the life and health of employees on the job and the safety of the public, and to protect property in connection with the performance of the work covered by the contract.

Failure to comply with any of the requirements for safety and traffic control of this contract shall result in suspension of work as provided in Subarticle 108-7(2) of the <u>Standard Specifications</u>.

The Contractor's vehicles and equipment shall not be parked within the State Highway System right of way overnight or at other times when work has been suspended unless approved by the Engineer, and in no case within 30 feet of the edge of pavement. The Engineer may designate specific locations for parking equipment.

Traffic Control will be incidental to the work, and will be included in the unit bid price for the other items included in the contract.

The liquidated damages for failing to place signs before commencement of operations is **Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00)** per incident. The liquidated damages for failing to remove work zone signing at the end of the day is **Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00)** per incident. All signs shall be clean, legible, and in good condition as determined by the Engineer.

In addition, the Contractor shall incur immediate Liquidated Damages in the amount of **Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00)** each occurrence for failure to provide operational lighting and signing on all equipment as specified.

#### **SAFETY VESTS**

All Contractor's personnel, all subcontractors and their personnel, and any material suppliers and their personnel, must wear a reflective safety vest meeting ANSI/ISEA 107-2004 Class 2 standards at all times, which includes prohibiting the safety vests being blocked from view by backpacks, etc., while on the project.

Failure to comply with this provision may result in a fine of **One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00)** for each occurrence.

#### SUPERVISION BY CONTRACTOR

At all times during the life of the project the Contractor shall provide one permanent employee who shall have the authority and capability for overall responsibility of the project and who shall be personally available at the work site within 24 hours' notice. Such employee shall be fully authorized to conduct all business with the subcontractors, to negotiate and execute all supplemental agreements, and to execute the orders or directions of the Engineer.

At all times that work is actually being performed, the Contractor shall have present on the project one competent individual who is authorized to act in a supervisory capacity over all work on the project, including work subcontracted. The individual who has been so authorized shall be experienced in the type of work being performed and shall be fully capable of managing, directing, and coordinating the work; of reading and thoroughly understanding the contract; and receiving and carrying out directions from the Engineer or his authorized representatives. He shall be an employee of the Contractor unless otherwise approved by the Engineer.

The Contractor may, at his option, designate one employee to meet the requirements of both positions. However, whenever the designated employee is absent from the work site, an authorized individual qualified to act in a supervisory capacity on the project shall be present.

At least one (1) English speaking employee must be on-site during the litter/debris pickup operation.

#### **INSURANCE**

The Contractor shall maintain all legally required insurance coverage, including without limitation, worker's compensation and vehicle liability, in the amounts required by law. Refer to Section 107-15 in the "Standard Specifications for Roads and Structures, 2018" for additional information.

#### **RESPONSIBILITY FOR DAMAGE CLAIMS**

In accordance with 107-14 of the Standard Specifications. The Contractor shall indemnify and save harmless the Board of Transportation and its members and the Department of Transportation and its officers, agents, and employees from all suits, actions, or claims of any character brought for any injury or damages received or sustained by any person, persons, or property by reason of any act of the Contractor, Subcontractor, its agents or employees, in the performance of the contract.

#### PAYMENT AND RETAINAGE

The Contractor may submit requests for partial payments on a monthly basis, or other interval as approved by the Engineer. Compensation for all pay items shall be in accordance with the <a href="Standard Specifications">Standard Specifications</a>. The amount of partial payments will be based on the work accomplished and accepted by the last day of the approved pay period.

Requests for payment shall be made by Contractor's Invoice. All invoice items and unit costs shall correspond to contract pay items. In the event of error or discrepancy in items or unit costs, the Department may return the invoice to the contractor for correction. The invoice shall be

completely and legibly filled out with all appropriate information and shall be signed by an authorized representative of the Contractor.

All invoices shall be original and submitted to the Division Roadside Environmental Engineer for approval. Statements of all Subcontractor payments shall be included with invoices. These statements are to be submitted on the Subcontractor Payment Information Form (DBE-IS), they shall be original and in ink.

Payment will not be made until invoices and DBE-IS forms are received. Invoices should be received by the Department within 30 days of the completion of the work.

All requests for payment shall be submitted to:

N.C. Department of Transportation Roadside Environmental Office Attn: Vann Sparrow PO Box 1587 Greenville, NC 27835

Due to the nature of the contract, no retainage will be withheld. However, the Department reserves the right to withhold payment for a specific location until after successful completion of the work as verified by the final inspection of that location.

All work or items, other than those listed on the Bid Form contained in the Contract Proposal, necessary to complete this work will be considered incidental in nature and no further compensation will be made.

Payment to the Contractor will be made only for the actual quantities of the various items that are completed and accepted in accordance with the terms of the contract. The advertised bid quantities are considered to be approximate only and are given as the basis for comparison of bids. The Department of Transportation may increase or decrease the quantity of any item or portion of the work as may be deemed necessary or expedient. Unless otherwise specified, all contract pay items will be produced, placed and paid in accordance with the

#### NO MAJOR CONTRACT ITEMS:

(2-19-02) (Rev. 8-21-07)

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None of the items included in this contract will be major items.

# **NO SPECIALTY ITEMS:**

(7-1-95) 108-6 SP1 G34

None of the items included in this contract will be specialty items (see Article 108-6 of the 2018 Standard Specifications).

# **FUEL PRICE ADJUSTMENT:**

(11-15-05) (Rev. 11-15-22) 109-8 SP1 G43

Revise the 2018 Standard Specifications as follows:

#### Page 1-87, Article 109-8, Fuel Price Adjustments, add the following:

The base index price for DIESEL #2 FUEL is \$ 3.1468 per gallon. Where any of the following are included as pay items in the contract, they will be eligible for fuel price adjustment.

The pay items and the fuel factor used in calculating adjustments to be made will be as follows:

Description		Fuel Usage
Unclassified Excavation	Gal/CY	Factor Diesel 0.29
Borrow Excavation	Gal/CY	0.29
Class IV Subgrade Stabilization	Gal/Ton	0.55
Aggregate Base Course	Gal/Ton	0.55
Sub-Ballast	Gal/Ton	0.55
Erosion Control Stone	Gal/Ton	0.55
Rip Rap, Class	Gal/Ton	0.55
Asphalt Concrete Base Course, Type	Gal/Ton	0.90 or 2.90
Asphalt Concrete Intermediate Course, Type	Gal/Ton	0.90 or 2.90
Asphalt Concrete Surface Course, Type	Gal/Ton	0.90 or 2.90
Open-Graded Asphalt Friction Course	Gal/Ton	0.90 or 2.90
Permeable Asphalt Drainage Course, Type	Gal/Ton	0.90 or 2.90
Sand Asphalt Surface Course, Type	Gal/Ton	0.90 or 2.90
Ultra-thin Bonded Wearing Course	Gal/Ton	0.90 or 2.90
Aggregate for Cement Treated Base Course	Gal/Ton	0.55
Portland Cement for Cement Treated Base Course	Gal/Ton	0.55
> 11" Portland Cement Concrete Pavement	Gal/SY	0.327
Concrete Shoulders Adjacent to > 11" Pavement	Gal/SY	0.327
9" to 11" Portland Cement Concrete Pavement	Gal/SY	0.272
Concrete Shoulders Adjacent to 9" to 11" Pavement	Gal/SY	0.272
< 9" Portland Cement Concrete Pavement	Gal/SY	0.245
Concrete Shoulders Adjacent to < 9" Pavement	Gal/SY	0.245

For the asphalt items noted in the chart as eligible for fuel adjustments, the bidder may include the *Fuel Usage Factor Adjustment Form* with their bid submission if they elect to use the fuel usage factor. The *Fuel Usage Factor Adjustment Form* is found at the following link:

 $\frac{https://connect.ncdot.gov/letting/LetCentral/Fuel\%20Usage\%20Factor\%20Adjustment\%20Form\%20-\%20\%20Starting\%20Nov\%202022\%20Lettings.pdf$ 

Select either 2.90 Gal/Ton fuel factor or 0.90 Gal/Ton fuel factor for each asphalt line item on the *Fuel Usage Factor Adjustment Form*. The selected fuel factor for each asphalt item will remain in effect for the duration of the contract.

Failure to complete the *Fuel Usage Factor Adjustment Form* will result in using 2.90 gallons per ton as the Fuel Usage Factor for Diesel for the asphalt items noted above. The contractor will not be permitted to change the Fuel Usage Factor after the bids are submitted.

# SCHEDULE OF ESTIMATED COMPLETION PROGRESS:

(7-15-08) (Rev. 7-19-22)

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SP1 G58

The Contractor's attention is directed to the Standard Special Provision entitled *Availability of Funds Termination of Contracts* included elsewhere in this proposal. The Department of Transportation's schedule of estimated completion progress for this project as required by that Standard Special Provision is as follows:

	<u>Fiscal Year</u>	Progress (% of Dollar Value)
2023	(7/01/22 - 6/30/23)	33% of Total Amount Bid
2024	(7/01/23 - 6/30/24)	66% of Total Amount Bid

The Contractor shall also furnish his own progress schedule in accordance with Article 108-2 of the 2018 Standard Specifications. Any acceleration of the progress as shown by the Contractor's progress schedule over the progress as shown above shall be subject to the approval of the Engineer.

# MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE AND WOMEN BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (DIVISIONS):

(10-16-07)(Rev. 8-17-21) 102-15(J) SPI G67

#### **Description**

The purpose of this Special Provision is to carry out the North Carolina Department of Transportation's policy of ensuring nondiscrimination in the award and administration of contracts financed in whole or in part with State funds.

#### **Definitions**

Additional MBE/WBE Subcontractors - Any MBE/WBE submitted at the time of bid that will <u>not</u> be used to meet the Combined MBE/WBE goal. No submittal of a Letter of Intent is required.

Combined MBE/WBE Goal: A portion of the total contract, expressed as a percentage that is to be performed by committed MBE/WBE subcontractors.

Committed MBE/WBE Subcontractor - Any MBE/WBE submitted at the time of bid that is being used to meet the Combined MBE / WBE goal by submission of a Letter of Intent. Or any MBE or WBE used as a replacement for a previously committed MBE or WBE firm.

Contract Goal Requirement - The approved participation at time of award, but not greater than the advertised Combined MBE/WBE contract goal.

*Goal Confirmation Letter* - Written documentation from the Department to the bidder confirming the Contractor's approved, committed participation along with a listing of the committed MBE and WBE firms.

*Manufacturer* - A firm that operates or maintains a factory or establishment that produces on the premises, the materials or supplies obtained by the Contractor.

MBE Participation (Anticipated) - A portion of the total contract, expressed as a percentage that is anticipated to be performed by committed MBE subcontractor(s).

Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) - A firm certified as a Disadvantaged Minority-Owned Business Enterprise through the North Carolina Unified Certification Program.

Regular Dealer - A firm that owns, operates, or maintains a store, warehouse, or other establishment in which the materials or supplies required for the performance of the contract are bought, kept in stock, and regularly sold to the public in the usual course of business. A regular dealer engages in, as its principal business and in its own name, the purchase and sale or lease of the products in question. A regular dealer in such bulk items as steel, cement, gravel, stone, and petroleum products need not keep such products in stock, if it owns and operates distribution equipment for the products. Brokers and packagers are not regarded as manufacturers or regular dealers within the meaning of this section.

Replacement / Substitution – A full or partial reduction in the amount of work subcontracted to a committed (or an approved substitute) MBE/WBE firm.

North Carolina Unified Certification Program (NCUCP) - A program that provides comprehensive services and information to applicants for MBE/WBE certification. The MBE/WBE program follows the same regulations as the federal Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) program in accordance with 49 CFR Part 26.

*United States Department of Transportation (USDOT)* - Federal agency responsible for issuing regulations (49 CFR Part 26) and official guidance for the DBE program.

WBE Participation (Anticipated) - A portion of the total contract, expressed as a percentage that is anticipated to be performed by committed WBE subcontractor(s).

Women Business Enterprise (WBE) - A firm certified as a Disadvantaged Women-Owned Business Enterprise through the North Carolina Unified Certification Program.

#### Forms and Websites Referenced in this Provision

Payment Tracking System - On-line system in which the Contractor enters the payments made to MBE and WBE subcontractors who have performed work on the project. https://apps.dot.state.nc.us/Vendor/PaymentTracking/

DBE-IS Subcontractor Payment Information - Form for reporting the payments made to all MBE/WBE firms working on the project. This form is for paper bid projects only. https://connect.ncdot.gov/business/Turnpike/Documents/Form%20DBE-IS%20Subcontractor%20Payment%20Information.pdf

RF-1 *MBE/WBE Replacement Request Form* - Form for replacing a committed MBE or WBE. http://connect.ncdot.gov/projects/construction/Construction%20Forms/DBE%20MBE%20WBE%20Replacement%20Request%20Form.pdf

SAF *Subcontract Approval Form* - Form required for approval to sublet the contract. http://connect.ncdot.gov/projects/construction/Construction%20Forms/Subcontract%20Approval%20Form%20Rev.%202012.zip

JC-1 *Joint Check Notification Form* - Form and procedures for joint check notification. The form acts as a written joint check agreement among the parties providing full and prompt disclosure of the expected use of joint checks.

http://connect.ncdot.gov/projects/construction/Construction%20Forms/Joint%20Check%20Notification%20Form.pdf

*Letter of Intent* - Form signed by the Contractor and the MBE/WBE subcontractor, manufacturer or regular dealer that affirms that a portion of said contract is going to be performed by the signed MBE/WBE for the estimated amount (based on quantities and unit prices) listed at the time of bid.

http://connect.ncdot.gov/letting/LetCentral/Letter%20of%20Intent%20to%20Perform%20as%20a%20Subcontractor.pdf

Listing of MBE and WBE Subcontractors Form - Form for entering MBE/WBE subcontractors on a project that will meet the Combined MBE/WBE goal. This form is for paper bids only.

http://connect.ncdot.gov/municipalities/Bid%20 Proposals%20 for %20 LGA%20 Content/09%20 MBEWBE%20 Subcontractors%20 (State). docx

Subcontractor Quote Comparison Sheet - Spreadsheet for showing all subcontractor quotes in the work areas where MBEs and WBEs quoted on the project. This sheet is submitted with good faith effort packages.

http://connect.ncdot.gov/business/SmallBusiness/Documents/DBE%20Subcontractor%20Quote%20Comparison%20Example.xls

#### **Combined MBE/WBE Goal**

The Combined MBE/WBE Goal for this project is 0.0 %

The Combined Goal was established utilizing the following anticipated participation for Minority Business Enterprises and Women Business Enterprises:

- (A) Minority Business Enterprises **0.0** %
  - (1) If the anticipated MBE participation is more than zero, the Contractor shall exercise all necessary and reasonable steps to ensure that MBEs participate in at least the percent of the contract as set forth above.
  - (2) If the anticipated MBE participation is zero, the Contractor shall make an effort to recruit and use MBEs during the performance of the contract. Any MBE participation obtained shall be reported to the Department.
- (B) Women Business Enterprises **0.0** %
  - (1) If the anticipated WBE participation is more than zero, the Contractor shall exercise all necessary and reasonable steps to ensure that WBEs participate in at least the percent of the contract as set forth above.
  - (2) If the anticipated WBE participation is zero, the Contractor shall make an effort to recruit and use WBEs during the performance of the contract. Any WBE participation obtained shall be reported to the Department.

The Bidder is required to submit only participation to meet the Combined MBE/WBE Goal. The Combined Goal may be met by submitting all MBE participation, all WBE participation, or a combination of MBE and WBE participation.

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#### **Directory of Transportation Firms (Directory)**

Real-time information is available about firms doing business with the Department and firms that are certified through NCUCP in the Directory of Transportation Firms. Only firms identified in the Directory as MBE and WBE certified shall be used to meet the Combined MBE / WBE goal. The Directory can be found at the following link.

https://www.ebs.nc.gov/VendorDirectory/default.html

The listing of an individual firm in the directory shall not be construed as an endorsement of the firm's capability to perform certain work.

#### **Listing of MBE/WBE Subcontractors**

At the time of bid, bidders shall submit <u>all</u> MBE and WBE participation that they anticipate to use during the life of the contract. Only those identified to meet the Combined MBE/WBE goal will be considered committed, even though the listing shall include both committed MBE/WBE subcontractors and additional MBE/WBE subcontractors. Any additional MBE/WBE subcontractor participation above the goal will follow the banking guidelines found elsewhere in this provision. All other additional MBE/WBE subcontractor participation submitted at the time of bid will be used toward the Department's overall race-neutral goals. Only those firms with current MBE and WBE certification at the time of bid opening will be acceptable for listing in the bidder's submittal of MBE and WBE participation. The Contractor shall indicate the following required information:

#### (A) Electronic Bids

Bidders shall submit a listing of MBE and WBE participation in the appropriate section of the electronic submittal file.

- (1) Submit the names and addresses of MBE and WBE firms identified to participate in the contract. If the bidder uses the updated listing of MBE and WBE firms shown in the electronic submittal file, the bidder may use the dropdown menu to access the name and address of the firms.
- (2) Submit the contract line numbers of work to be performed by each MBE and WBE firm. When no figures or firms are entered, the bidder will be considered to have no MBE or WBE participation.
- (3) The bidder shall be responsible for ensuring that the MBE and WBE are certified at the time of bid by checking the Directory of Transportation Firms. If the firm is not certified at the time of the bid-letting, that MBE's or WBE's participation will not count towards achieving the Combined MBE/WBE goal.

#### (B) Paper Bids

- (1) If the Combined MBE/WBE goal is more than zero,
  - (a) Bidders, at the time the bid proposal is submitted, shall submit a listing of MBE/WBE participation, including the names and addresses on *Listing of MBE and WBE Subcontractors* contained elsewhere in the contract documents in order for the bid to be considered responsive. Bidders shall indicate the total dollar value of the MBE and WBE participation for the contract.
  - (b) If bidders have no MBE or WBE participation, they shall indicate this on the *Listing of MBE and WBE Subcontractors* by entering the word "None" or the number "0." This form shall be completed in its entirety. **Blank forms will not be deemed to represent zero participation.** Bids submitted that do not have MBE and WBE participation indicated on the appropriate form will not be read publicly during the opening of bids. The Department will not consider these bids for award and the proposal will be rejected.
  - (c) The bidder shall be responsible for ensuring that the MBE/WBE is certified at the time of bid by checking the Directory of Transportation Firms. If the firm is not certified at the time of the bid-letting, that MBE's or WBE's participation will not count towards achieving the Combined MBE/WBE goal.
- (2) If the Combined MBE/WBE Goal is zero, entries on the Listing of MBE and WBE Subcontractors are not required for the zero goal, however any MBE or WBE participation that is achieved during the project shall be reported in accordance with requirements contained elsewhere in the special provision.

#### **MBE or WBE Prime Contractor**

When a certified MBE or WBE firm bids on a contract that contains a Combined MBE/WBE Goal, the firm is responsible for meeting the goal or making good faith efforts to meet the goal, just like any other bidder. In most cases, a MBE or WBE bidder on a contract will meet the Combined MBE/WBE goal by virtue of the work it performs on the contract with its own forces. However, all the work that is performed by the MBE or WBE bidder and any other similarly certified subcontractors will count toward the goal. The MBE or WBE bidder shall list itself along with any MBE or WBE subcontractors, if any, in order to receive credit toward the goals.

MBE/WBE prime contractors shall also follow Sections A or B listed under *Listing of MBE/WBE Subcontractors* just as a non-MBE/WBE bidder would.

#### Written Documentation – Letter of Intent

The bidder shall submit written documentation for each MBE/WBE that will be used to meet the Combined MBE/WBE goal of the contract, indicating the bidder's commitment to use the MBE/WBE in the contract. This documentation shall be submitted on the Department's form titled *Letter of Intent*.

The documentation shall be received in the office of the Engineer no later than 2:00 p.m. of the fifth calendar day following opening of bids, unless the fifth day falls on Saturday, Sunday or an official state holiday. In that situation, it is due in the office of the Engineer no later than 10:00 a.m. on the next official state business day.

If the bidder fails to submit the Letter of Intent from each committed MBE and WBE to be used toward the Combined MBE/WBE goal, or if the form is incomplete (i.e. both signatures are not present), the MBE/WBE participation will not count toward meeting the Combined MBE/WBE goal. If the lack of this participation drops the commitment below the Combined MBE/WBE goal, the Contractor shall submit evidence of good faith efforts for the goal not met, completed in its entirety, to the Engineer no later than 2:00 p.m. of the eighth calendar day following opening of bids, unless the eighth day falls on Saturday, Sunday or an official state holiday. In that situation, it is due in the office of the Engineer no later than 10:00 a.m. on the next official state business day.

#### **Banking MBE/WBE Credit**

If the committed MBE/WBE participation submitted exceeds the algebraic sum of the Combined MBE/WBE goal by \$1,000 or more, the excess will be placed on deposit by the Department for future use by the bidder. Separate accounts will be maintained for MBE and WBE participation and these may accumulate for a period not to exceed 24 months.

When the apparent lowest responsive bidder fails to submit sufficient participation by MBE and WBE firms to meet the advertised goal, as part of the good faith effort, the Department will consider allowing the bidder to withdraw funds to meet the Combined MBE/WBE goal as long as there are adequate funds available from the bidder's MBE and WBE bank accounts.

#### **Submission of Good Faith Effort**

If the bidder fails to meet or exceed the Combined MBE/WBE goal, the apparent lowest responsive bidder shall submit to the Department documentation of adequate good faith efforts made to reach that specific goal.

One complete set and 3 copies of this information shall be received in the office of the Engineer no later than 2:00 p.m. of the fifth calendar day following opening of bids, unless the fifth day falls on Saturday, Sunday or an official state holiday. In that situation, it is due in the office of the Engineer no later than 10:00 a.m. on the next official state business day.

Note: Where the information submitted includes repetitious solicitation letters, it will be acceptable to submit a representative letter along with a distribution list of the firms that were solicited. Documentation of MBE/WBE quotations shall be a part of the good faith effort submittal. This documentation may include written subcontractor quotations, telephone log notations of verbal quotations, or other types of quotation documentation.

#### Consideration of Good Faith Effort for Projects with a Combined MBE/WBE Goal More Than Zero

Adequate good faith efforts mean that the bidder took all necessary and reasonable steps to achieve the goal which, by their scope, intensity, and appropriateness, could reasonably be expected to obtain sufficient MBE/WBE participation. Adequate good faith efforts also mean that the bidder actively and aggressively sought MBE/WBE participation. Mere *pro forma* efforts are not considered good faith efforts.

The Department will consider the quality, quantity, and intensity of the different kinds of efforts a bidder has made. Listed below are examples of the types of actions a bidder will take in making a good faith effort to meet the goals and are not intended to be exclusive or exhaustive, nor is it intended to be a mandatory checklist.

- (A) Soliciting through all reasonable and available means (e.g. attendance at pre-bid meetings, advertising, written notices, use of verifiable electronic means through the use of the NCDOT Directory of Transportation Firms) the interest of all certified MBEs/WBEs that are also prequalified subcontractors. The bidder must solicit this interest within at least 10 days prior to bid opening to allow the MBEs/WBEs to respond to the solicitation. Solicitation shall provide the opportunity to MBEs/WBEs within the Division and surrounding Divisions where the project is located. The bidder must determine with certainty if the MBEs/WBEs are interested by taking appropriate steps to follow up initial solicitations.
- (B) Selecting portions of the work to be performed by MBEs/WBEs in order to increase the likelihood that the Combined MBE/WBE goal will be achieved.
  - (1) Where appropriate, break out contract work items into economically feasible units to facilitate MBE/WBE participation, even when the prime contractor might otherwise prefer to perform these work items with its own forces.
  - (2) Negotiate with subcontractors to assume part of the responsibility to meet the advertised goal when the work to be sublet includes potential for MBE/WBE participation (2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> tier subcontractors).
- (C) Providing interested certified MBEs/WBEs that are also prequalified subcontractors with adequate information about the plans, specifications, and requirements of the contract in a timely manner to assist them in responding to a solicitation.
- (D) (1) Negotiating in good faith with interested MBEs/WBEs. It is the bidder's responsibility to make a portion of the work available to MBE/WBE subcontractors and suppliers and to select those portions of the work or material needs consistent with the available MBE/WBE subcontractors and suppliers, so as to facilitate MBE/WBE participation. Evidence of such negotiation includes the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of MBEs/WBEs 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 MBEs/WBEs to perform the work.
  - (2) A bidder using good business judgment would consider a number of factors in negotiating with subcontractors, including MBE/WBE subcontractors, and would take a firm's price and capabilities as well as the advertised goal into consideration. However, the fact that there may be some additional costs involved in finding and using MBEs/WBEs is not in itself sufficient reason for a bidder's failure to meet the advertised goal, as long as such costs are reasonable. Also, the ability or desire of a prime contractor to perform the work of a contract with its own organization does not relieve the bidder of the responsibility to make good faith efforts. Bidding contractors are not, however, required to accept higher quotes from MBEs/WBEs if the price difference is excessive or unreasonable.
- (E) Not rejecting MBEs/WBEs 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 associates 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.

- (F) Making efforts to assist interested MBEs/WBEs in obtaining bonding, lines of credit, or insurance as required by the recipient or bidder.
- (G) Making efforts to assist interested MBEs/WBEs in obtaining necessary equipment, supplies, materials, or related assistance or services.
- (H) Effectively using the services of available minority/women community organizations; minority/women contractors' groups; Federal, State, and local 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 MBEs/WBEs. Contact within 7 days from the bid opening the Business Opportunity and Work Force Development Unit at <a href="mailto:BOWD@ncdot.gov">BOWD@ncdot.gov</a> to give notification of the bidder's inability to get MBE or WBE quotes.
- (I) Any other evidence that the bidder submits which shows that the bidder has made reasonable good faith efforts to meet the advertised goal.

In addition, the Department may take into account the following:

- (1) Whether the bidder's documentation reflects a clear and realistic plan for achieving the Combined MBE/WBE goal.
- (2) The bidders' past performance in meeting the contract goal.
- (3) The performance of other bidders in meeting the advertised goal. For example, when the apparent successful bidder fails to meet the goal, but others meet it, you may reasonably raise the question of whether, with additional reasonable efforts the apparent successful bidder could have met the goal. If the apparent successful bidder fails to meet the advertised goal, but meets or exceeds the average MBE and WBE participation obtained by other bidders, the Department may view this, in conjunction with other factors, as evidence of the apparent successful bidder having made a good faith effort.

If the Department does not award the contract to the apparent lowest responsive bidder, the Department reserves the right to award the contract to the next lowest responsive bidder that can satisfy to the Department that the Combined MBE/WBE goal can be met or that an adequate good faith effort has been made to meet the advertised goal.

#### **Non-Good Faith Appeal**

The Engineer will notify the contractor verbally and in writing of non-good faith. A contractor may appeal a determination of non-good faith made by the Goal Compliance Committee. If a contractor wishes to appeal the determination made by the Committee, they shall provide written notification to the Engineer. The appeal shall be made within 2 business days of notification of the determination of non-good faith.

# Counting MBE/WBE Participation Toward Meeting the Combined MBE/WBE Goal

#### (A) Participation

The total dollar value of the participation by a committed MBE/WBE will be counted toward the contract goal requirements. The total dollar value of participation by a committed MBE/WBE will be based upon the value of work actually performed by the MBE/WBE and the actual payments to MBE/WBE firms by the Contractor.

#### (B) Joint Checks

Prior notification of joint check use shall be required when counting MBE/WBE participation for services or purchases that involves the use of a joint check. Notification shall be through submission of Form JC-1 (*Joint Check Notification Form*) and the use of joint checks shall be in accordance with the Department's Joint Check Procedures.

# (C) Subcontracts (Non-Trucking)

A MBE/WBE may enter into subcontracts. Work that a MBE subcontracts to another MBE firm may be counted toward the anticipated MBE participation. The same holds for work that a WBE subcontracts to another WBE firm. Work that a MBE/WBE subcontracts to a non-MBE/WBE firm does not count toward the contract goal requirement. It should be noted that every effort shall be made by MBE and WBE contractors to subcontract to the same certification (i.e., MBEs to MBEs and WBEs), in order to fulfill the MBE or WBE participation breakdown. This, however, may not always be possible due to the limitation of firms in the area. If the MBE or WBE firm shows a good faith effort has been made to reach out to similarly certified firms and there is no interest or availability, and they can get assistance from other certified firms, the Engineer will not hold the prime responsible for meeting the individual MBE or WBE breakdown. If a MBE or WBE contractor or subcontractor subcontracts a significantly greater portion of the work of the contract than would be expected on the basis of standard industry practices, it shall be presumed that the MBE or WBE is not performing a commercially useful function.

#### (D) Joint Venture

When a MBE or WBE performs as a participant in a joint venture, the Contractor may count toward its contract goal requirement a portion of the total value of participation with the MBE or WBE in the joint venture, that portion of the total dollar value being a distinct clearly defined portion of work that the MBE or WBE performs with its forces.

#### (E) Suppliers

A contractor may count toward its MBE /WBE requirement 60 percent of its expenditures for materials and supplies required to complete the contract and obtained from a MBE or WBE regular dealer and 100 percent of such expenditures from a MBE or WBE manufacturer.

# (F) Manufacturers and Regular Dealers

A contractor may count toward its MBE /WBE requirement the following expenditures to MBE/WBE firms that are not manufacturers or regular dealers:

- (1) The fees or commissions charged by a MBE/WBE firm for providing a *bona fide* service, such as professional, technical, consultant, or managerial services, or for providing bonds or insurance specifically required for the performance of a DOT-assisted contract, provided the fees or commissions are determined to be reasonable and not excessive as compared with fees and commissions customarily allowed for similar services.
- (2) With respect to materials or supplies purchased from a MBE/WBE, which is neither a manufacturer nor a regular dealer, count the entire amount of fees or commissions charged for assistance in the procurement of the materials and supplies, or fees or transportation charges for the delivery of materials or supplies required on a job site (but not the cost of the materials and supplies themselves), provided the fees are determined to be reasonable and not excessive as compared with fees customarily allowed for similar services.

#### **Commercially Useful Function**

#### (A) MBE/WBE Utilization

The Contractor may count toward its contract goal requirement only expenditures to MBEs and WBEs that perform a commercially useful function in the work of a contract. A MBE/WBE performs a commercially useful function when it is responsible for execution of the work of the contract and is carrying out its responsibilities by actually performing, managing, and supervising the work involved. To perform a commercially useful function, the MBE/WBE shall also be responsible with respect to materials and supplies used on the contract, for negotiating price, determining quality and quantity, ordering the material and installing (where applicable) and paying for the material itself. To determine whether a MBE/WBE is performing a commercially useful function, the Department will evaluate the amount of work subcontracted, industry practices, whether the amount the firm is to be paid under the contract is commensurate with the work it is actually performing and the MBE/WBE credit claimed for its performance of the work, and any other relevant factors. If it is determined that a MBE or WBE is not performing a Commercially Useful Function, the contractor may present evidence to rebut this presumption to the Department.

#### (B) MBE/WBE Utilization in Trucking

The following factors will be used to determine if a MBE or WBE trucking firm is performing a commercially useful function:

- (1) The MBE/WBE shall be responsible for the management and supervision of the entire trucking operation for which it is responsible on a particular contract, and there shall not be a contrived arrangement for the purpose of meeting the Combined MBE/WBE goal.
- (2) The MBE/WBE shall itself own and operate at least one fully licensed, insured, and operational truck used on the contract.

- (3) The MBE/WBE receives credit for the total value of the transportation services it provides on the contract using trucks it owns, insures, and operates using drivers it employs.
- (4) The MBE may subcontract the work to another MBE firm, including an owner-operator who is certified as a MBE. The same holds true that a WBE may subcontract the work to another WBE firm, including an owner-operator who is certified as a WBE. When this occurs, the MBE or WBE who subcontracts work receives credit for the total value of the transportation services the subcontracted MBE or WBE provides on the contract. It should be noted that every effort shall be made by MBE and WBE contractors to subcontract to the same certification (i.e., MBEs to MBEs and WBEs to WBEs), in order to fulfill the participation breakdown. This, however, may not always be possible due to the limitation of firms in the area. If the MBE or WBE firm shows a good faith effort has been made to reach out to similarly certified transportation service providers and there is no interest or availability, and they can get assistance from other certified providers, the Engineer will not hold the prime responsible for meeting the individual MBE or WBE participation breakdown.
- (5) The MBE/WBE may also subcontract the work to a non-MBE/WBE firm, including from an owner-operator. The MBE/WBE who subcontracts the work to a non-MBE/WBE is entitled to credit for the total value of transportation services provided by the non-MBE/WBE subcontractor not to exceed the value of transportation services provided by MBE/WBE-owned trucks on the contract. Additional participation by non-MBE/WBE subcontractors receives credit only for the fee or commission it receives as a result of the subcontract arrangement. The value of services performed under subcontract agreements between the MBE/WBE and the Contractor will not count towards the MBE/WBE contract requirement.
- (6) A MBE/WBE may lease truck(s) from an established equipment leasing business open to the general public. The lease must indicate that the MBE/WBE has exclusive use of and control over the truck. This requirement does not preclude the leased truck from working for others during the term of the lease with the consent of the MBE/WBE, so long as the lease gives the MBE/WBE absolute priority for use of the leased truck. This type of lease may count toward the MBE/WBE's credit as long as the driver is under the MBE/WBE's payroll.
- (7) Subcontracted/leased trucks shall display clearly on the dashboard the name of the MBE/WBE that they are subcontracted/leased to and their own company name if it is not identified on the truck itself. Magnetic door signs are not permitted.

#### **MBE/WBE Replacement**

When a Contractor has relied on a commitment to a MBE or WBE subcontractor (or an approved substitute MBE or WBE subcontractor) to meet all or part of a contract goal requirement, the contractor shall not terminate the MBE/WBE subcontractor for convenience. This includes, but is not limited to, instances in which the Contractor seeks to perform the work of the terminated subcontractor with another MBE/WBE subcontractor, or with the Contractor's own forces or those of an affiliate.

The Contractor must give notice in writing both by certified mail and email to the MBE/WBE subcontractor, with a copy to the Engineer of its intent to request to terminate and/or substitute, and the reason for the request. The Contractor must give the MBE/WBE subcontractor five (5) business days to respond to the Contractor's Notice of Intent to Request Termination and/or Substitution. If the MBE/WBE subcontractor

objects to the intended termination/substitution, the MBE/WBE, within five (5) business days must advise the Contractor and the Department of the reasons why the action should not be approved. The five-day notice period shall begin on the next business day after written notice is provided to the MBE/WBE subcontractor.

A committed MBE/WBE subcontractor may only be terminated after receiving the Department's written approval based upon a finding of good cause for the proposed termination and/or substitution. For purposes of this section, good cause shall include the following circumstances:

- (a) The listed MBE/WBE subcontractor fails or refuses to execute a written contract;
- (b) The listed MBE/WBE 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 MBE/WBE subcontractor to perform its work on the subcontract results from the bad faith or discriminatory action of the prime contractor:
- (c) The listed MBE/WBE subcontractor fails or refuses to meet the prime contractor's reasonable, nondiscriminatory bond requirements;
- (d) The listed MBE/WBE subcontractor becomes bankrupt, insolvent, or exhibits credit unworthiness;
- (e) The listed MBE/WBE subcontractor is ineligible to work on public works projects because of suspension and debarment proceedings pursuant to 2 CFR Parts 180, 215 and 1,200 or applicable state law;
- (f) The listed MBE/WBE subcontractor is not a responsible contractor;
- (g) The listed MBE/WBE voluntarily withdraws from the project and provides written notice of withdrawal;
- (h) The listed MBE/WBE is ineligible to receive MBE/WBE credit for the type of work required;
- (i) A MBE/WBE owner dies or becomes disabled with the result that the listed MBE/WBE contractor is unable to complete its work on the contract;
- (j) Other documented good cause that compels the termination of the MBE/WBE subcontractor. Provided, that good cause does not exist if the prime contractor seeks to terminate a MBE/WBE it relied upon to obtain the contract so that the prime contractor can self-perform the work for which the MBE/WBE contractor was engaged or so that the prime contractor can substitute another MBE/WBE or non-MBE/WBE contractor after contract award.

The Contractor shall comply with the following for replacement of a committed MBE/WBE:

#### (A) Performance Related Replacement

When a committed MBE/WBE is terminated for good cause as stated above, an additional MBE/WBE that was submitted at the time of bid may be used to fulfill the MBE/WBE commitment to meet the Combined MBE/WBE Goal. A good faith effort will only be required for removing a committed MBE/WBE if there were no additional MBE/WBEs submitted at the time of bid to cover the same amount of work as the MBE/WBE that was terminated.

If a replacement MBE/WBE is not found that can perform at least the same amount of work as the terminated MBE/WBE, the Contractor shall submit a good faith effort documenting the steps taken. Such documentation shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

- (1) Copies of written notification to MBE/WBEs that their interest is solicited in contracting the work defaulted by the previous MBE/WBE or in subcontracting other items of work in the contract.
- (2) Efforts to negotiate with MBE/WBEs for specific subbids including, at a minimum:
  - (a) The names, addresses, and telephone numbers of MBE/WBEs who were contacted.
  - (b) A description of the information provided to MBE/WBEs regarding the plans and specifications for portions of the work to be performed.
- (3) A list of reasons why MBE/WBE quotes were not accepted.
- (4) Efforts made to assist the MBE/WBEs contacted, if needed, in obtaining bonding or insurance required by the Contractor.

#### (B) Decertification Replacement

- (1) When a committed MBE/WBE is decertified by the Department after the SAF (Subcontract Approval Form) has been received by the Department, the Department will not require the Contractor to solicit replacement MBE/WBE participation equal to the remaining work to be performed by the decertified firm. The participation equal to the remaining work performed by the decertified firm will count toward the contract goal requirement.
- When a committed MBE/WBE is decertified prior to the Department receiving the SAF (*Subcontract Approval Form*) for the named MBE/WBE firm, the Contractor shall take all necessary and reasonable steps to replace the MBE/WBE subcontractor with another MBE/WBE subcontractor to perform at least the same amount of work to meet the Combined MBE/WBE goal requirement. If a MBE/WBE firm is not found to do the same amount of work, a good faith effort must be submitted to NCDOT (see A herein for required documentation).
- (3) Exception: If the MBE/WBE's ineligibility is caused solely by its having exceeded the size standard during the performance of the contract, the Department will not require the Contractor to solicit replacement MBE/WBE participation equal to the remaining work to be performed by the decertified firm. The participation equal to the remaining work performed by the decertified firm will count toward the contract goal requirement and overall goal.

All requests for replacement of a committed MBE/WBE firm shall be submitted to the Engineer for approval on Form RF-1 (DBE Replacement Request). If the Contractor fails to follow this procedure, the Contractor may be disqualified from further bidding for a period of up to 6 months.

#### Changes in the Work

When the Engineer makes changes that result in the reduction or elimination of work to be performed by a committed MBE/WBE, the Contractor will not be required to seek additional participation. When the

Engineer makes changes that result in additional work to be performed by a MBE/WBE based upon the Contractor's commitment, the MBE/WBE shall participate in additional work to the same extent as the MBE/WBE participated in the original contract work.

When the Engineer makes changes that result in extra work, which has more than a minimal impact on the contract amount, the Contractor shall seek additional participation by MBEs/WBEs unless otherwise approved by the Engineer.

When the Engineer makes changes that result in an alteration of plans or details of construction, and a portion or all of the work had been expected to be performed by a committed MBE/WBE, the Contractor shall seek participation by MBEs/WBEs unless otherwise approved by the Engineer.

When the Contractor requests changes in the work that result in the reduction or elimination of work that the Contractor committed to be performed by a MBE/WBE, the Contractor shall seek additional participation by MBEs/WBEs equal to the reduced MBE/WBE participation caused by the changes.

# **Reports and Documentation**

A SAF (*Subcontract Approval Form*) shall be submitted for all work which is to be performed by a MBE/WBE subcontractor. The Department reserves the right to require copies of actual subcontract agreements involving MBE/WBE subcontractors.

When using transportation services to meet the contract commitment, the Contractor shall submit a proposed trucking plan in addition to the SAF. The plan shall be submitted prior to beginning construction on the project. The plan shall include the names of all trucking firms proposed for use, their certification type(s), the number of trucks owned by the firm, as well as the individual truck identification numbers, and the line item(s) being performed.

Within 30 calendar days of entering into an agreement with a MBE/WBE for materials, supplies or services, not otherwise documented by the SAF as specified above, the Contractor shall furnish the Engineer a copy of the agreement. The documentation shall also indicate the percentage (60% or 100%) of expenditures claimed for MBE/WBE credit.

# Reporting Minority and Women Business Enterprise Participation

The Contractor shall provide the Engineer with an accounting of payments made to all MBE and WBE firms, including material suppliers and contractors at all levels (prime, subcontractor, or second tier subcontractor). This accounting shall be furnished to the Engineer for any given month by the end of the following month. Failure to submit this information accordingly may result in the following action:

- (A) Withholding of money due in the next partial pay estimate; or
- (B) Removal of an approved contractor from the prequalified bidders' list or the removal of other entities from the approved subcontractors list.

While each contractor (prime, subcontractor, 2nd tier subcontractor) is responsible for accurate accounting of payments to MBEs/WBEs, it shall be the prime contractor's responsibility to report all monthly and final payment information in the correct reporting manner.

Failure on the part of the Contractor to submit the required information in the time frame specified may result in the disqualification of that contractor and any affiliate companies from further bidding until the required information is submitted.

Failure on the part of any subcontractor to submit the required information in the time frame specified may result in the disqualification of that contractor and any affiliate companies from being approved for further work on future projects until the required information is submitted.

Contractors reporting transportation services provided by non-MBE/WBE lessees shall evaluate the value of services provided during the month of the reporting period only.

At any time, the Engineer can request written verification of subcontractor payments. The Contractor shall report the accounting of payments through the Department's DBE Payment Tracking System.

#### **Failure to Meet Contract Requirements**

Failure to meet contract requirements in accordance with Subarticle 102-15(J) of the 2018 Standard Specifications may be cause to disqualify the Contractor.

# SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (MULTI-YEAR MAINTENANCE CONTRACTS):

(4-20-21)(Rev. 4-19-22)

SP1 G72

This contract is a multi-year contract let pursuant to the Small Business Enterprise provisions of N.C. General Statute §136-28.10. In accordance with N.C. General Statute §136-28.10, an award in a contract may be for an amount less but shall not exceed \$1,000,000 per year. No payments in excess of this amount will be disbursed, in accordance with the Statute.

#### **RESTRICTIONS ON ITS EQUIPMENT AND SERVICES:**

(11-17-20)

SP01 G090

All telecommunications, video or other ITS equipment or services installed or utilized on this project must be in conformance with UNIFORM ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS, COST PRINCIPLES, AND AUDIT REQUIREMENTS FOR FEDERAL AWARDS 2 CFR, § 200.216 Prohibition on certain telecommunications and video surveillance services or equipment.

# **USE OF UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEM (UAS):**

(8-20-19)

SP1 G092

The Contractor shall adhere to all Federal, State and Local regulations and guidelines for the use of Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS). This includes but is not limited to US 14 CFR Part 107 Small UAS Rule, NC GS 15A-300.2 Regulation of launch and recovery sites, NC GS 63-95 Training required for the operation of unmanned aircraft systems, NC GS 63-96 Permit required for commercial operation of unmanned aircraft system, and NCDOT UAS Policy. The required operator certifications include possessing a current Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Remote Pilot Certificate, a NC UAS Operator Permit as well as operating a UAS registered with the FAA.

Prior to beginning operations, the Contractor shall complete the NCDOT UAS – Flight Operation Approval Form and submit it to the Engineer for approval. All UAS operations shall be approved by the Engineer prior to beginning the operations.

All contractors or subcontractors operating UAS shall have UAS specific general liability insurance to cover all operations under this contract.

The use of UAS is at the Contractor's discretion. No measurement or payment will be made for the use of UAS. In the event that the Department directs the Contractor to utilize UAS, payment will be in accordance with Article 104-7 Extra Work.

# **EQUIPMENT IDLING GUIDELINES:**

(1-19-21) 107 SPI G096

Exercise reduced fuel consumption and reduced equipment emissions during the construction of all work associated with this contract. Employees engaged in the construction of this project should turn off vehicles when stopped for more than thirty (30) minutes and off-highway equipment should idle no longer than fifteen (15) consecutive minutes.

These guidelines for turning off vehicles and equipment when idling do not apply to:

- 1. Idling when queuing.
- 2. Idling to verify the vehicle is in safe operating condition.
- 3. Idling for testing, servicing, repairing or diagnostic purposes.
- 4. Idling necessary to accomplish work for which the vehicle was designed (such as operating a crane, mixing concrete, etc.).
- 5. Idling required to bring the machine system to operating temperature.
- 6. Emergency vehicles, utility company, construction, and maintenance vehicles where the engines must run to perform needed work.
- 7. Idling to ensure safe operation of the vehicle.
- 8. Idling when the propulsion engine is providing auxiliary power for other than heating or air conditioning. (such as hydraulic systems for pavers)
- 9. When specific traffic, safety, or emergency situations arise.
- 10. If the ambient temperature is less than 32 degrees Fahrenheit. Limited idling to provide for the safety of vehicle occupants (e.g. to run the heater).
- 11. If the ambient temperature is greater than 90 degrees Fahrenheit. Limited idling to provide for the safety of vehicle occupants of off-highway equipment (e.g. to run the air conditioning) no more than 30 minutes.
- 12. Diesel powered vehicles may idle for up to 30 minutes to minimize restart problems. Any vehicle, truck, or equipment in which the primary source of fuel is natural gas or electricity is exempt from the idling limitations set forth in this special provision.

#### **AWARD LIMITS:**

(4-19-22) 103 SP1 G141

Revise the 2018 Standard Specifications as follows:

Page 1-29, Subarticle 103-4(C), Award Limits, line 4-8, delete and replace the first sentence in the first paragraph with the following:

A bidder who desires to bid on more than one project on which bids are to be opened in the same letting and who desires to avoid receiving an award of more projects than he is equipped to handle, may bid on any number of projects but may limit the total amount of work awarded to him on selected projects by completing the form Award Limits on Multiple Projects for each project subject to the award limit.

#### **OUTSOURCING OUTSIDE THE USA:**

(9-21-04) (Rev. 5-16-06)

SP1 G150

All work on consultant contracts, services contracts, and construction contracts shall be performed in the United States of America. No work shall be outsourced outside of the United States of America.

Outsourcing for the purpose of this provision is defined as the practice of subcontracting labor, work, services, staffing, or personnel to entities located outside of the United States.

The North Carolina Secretary of Transportation shall approve exceptions to this provision in writing.

#### **PROJECT SPECIAL PROVISIONS**

#### **ROADWAY**

#### LITTER/DEBRIS REMOVAL AND RECYCLING

An abundance of non-organic trash in a multitude of forms is deposited daily along the roadsides of the designated highways. These conditions detract from the visual quality and/or safety of the roadside landscape.

This contract is for litter/debris removal and recycling on primary roads and their interchanges within the State Maintained Highway System Right of Way in Carteret and Craven Counties in Division 2.

The work in this contract includes 5 cycles per year on all routes identified in the proposal documents as well as on call cleanups on routes within a division (1 "Initial Cycle", 4 "Routine Cycles") per year. The Contractor shall be paid the "Initial" price for the first cycle of the calendar year. All other cycles will be paid at the "Routine" price.

All items include all traffic control necessary to provide a safe work area. The work shall include the furnishing of all equipment, tools, materials, transportation and labor necessary for the successful completion of the work.

No separate payment will be made for providing, installing, and maintaining traffic control devices, etc., or for any other cost associated with maintaining the control of traffic. Traffic control will be considered incidental to the contract and will be included in the Bid Items as listed on the Contract Bid Form.

The designated area for routine litter/debris removal and recycling is the entire corridor from controlled access fence to controlled access fence, or right of way width, including the median and interchange areas, to the travel lane, as directed by the Engineer, except for along concrete barrier walls in medians. (Litter crew and vehicles are not allowed against median concrete barrier walls). The designated area for on call litter/debris removal and recycling on shoulders is the white edge line to the back of the right of way on outside shoulders, which includes paved shoulders. The designated area for on call litter/debris removal and recycling in medians is from yellow edge line to yellow edge line, which includes paved shoulders, except for all concrete barrier walls. This includes the mowing areas as well as non-mowing areas.

The Contractor should be prepared for removing litter/debris in roadside conditions including but not limited to wet areas, standing water, high grass, and slopes. Contractor will not be responsible for removing litter/debris in wooded areas unless litter is visible from the roadway and/or ramps.

The operation of litter/debris pickup shall be on foot only. Vehicles as specified herein may be used for bag pickup.

The Contractor must complete one (1) litter/debris pickup area prior to moving to the next (not to exceed over 5 miles).

The Contractor shall provide adequate personnel and materials (litterbags) to remove litter/debris on all areas of the right-of-way or controlled access.

The operation shall include the pickup, removal and recycling of litter/debris and the disposal of same into state approved landfills and single-stream recycling facilities. Litter/debris items may consist of varied sizes of bottles, cans, paper, tires, tire pieces, lumber, vehicle parts, building supplies, metals, household furnishings, cardboard, plastics, ladders, brush and other items not considered normal to the right of way.

The Contractor shall be responsible for locating and utilizing approved local landfills and recycling facilities so as not to impede the progress of the cleanup operation.

All collected litter/debris shall be containerized immediately and kept off of the traveled portions of the roadway, shoulders, and right-of-ways (including paved shoulders) during that day's collection process. All collected litter that is small enough to be placed in a bag shall be bagged immediately. All collected litter that is too large for a bag shall be placed into a vehicle. Uncollected storage or stockpiling of litter/debris and recyclables (piles of litterbags, tires, tire debris, etc.) will not be permitted. At no time shall bags or collected litter/debris be allowed to remain on the right of way beyond the end of the work day.

All cost involved with the disposal of the litter/debris shall be included in the contract unit price for "Litter/Debris Removal and Recycling". Vehicles for litter/debris removal activities shall at all times be parked off the pavement as close to the right-of-way fence as possible.

The Contractor's personnel shall pickup and dispose of any litter/debris, not required to be recycled, in a landfill approved by North Carolina Division of Waste Management. Litter/debris may consist of any item not considered normal to the right-of-way. The Contractor will not be allowed to use NCDOT accounts at the landfills nor be allowed to dispose of the litter/debris in NCDOT trash containers on any NCDOT property.

This contract shall be immediately terminated if the contractor is found guilty of illegal dumping. Work will be suspended if contractor is charged with illegal dumping.

#### RECYCLING

In accordance with the General Statutes and the Department's emphasis on recycling, the Contractors are encouraged to wherever possible to separate trash and recyclables such as glass, aluminum, and other products, and appropriately dispose of each material.

Assistance in locating recycling facilities may be obtained on the following websites:

http://portal.ncdenr.org/web/deao/mrf, http://www.p2pays.org/dmrm/start.aspx, http://p2pays.org/localgov/newaste.html.

The Contractor will not be allowed to use NCDOT accounts at the recycling facilities nor be allowed to dispose of the litter/debris in NCDOT recycling containers on any NCDOT property.

The Engineer reserves the right to schedule litter/debris removal and recycling operations so as not to conflict with mowing and/or vegetation management operations. Any bags, litter, or debris that are not removed before mowing and are shredded by the mowers must still be removed.

As directed, the removal of litter shall occur prior to moving operations for all primary road systems and to the extent practical on secondary roads as stated in G.S. 136-28.12 (a).

#### **REPORTING**

The Contractor shall report online the amount of bags of litter/debris and recycling on the NCDOT Litter Management Website:

https://apps.ncdot.gov/LM

The Contractor is required to report all pickups on the date of the pickup. Payment for litter pickup invoiced will not be paid unless reported.

# HAZARDOUS, CONTAMINATED, AND/OR TOXIC MATERIAL

The Contractor's personnel shall not be responsible for removing hazardous materials from the right-of-ways, but shall notify an NCDOT representative as soon as possible.

When the Contractor's operations encounter or expose any abnormal condition which may indicate the presence of a hazardous, contaminated, and/or toxic material, such operations shall be discontinued in the vicinity of the abnormal condition and the Engineer shall be notified immediately.

The Contractor will not be responsible for the clean-up and removal of dead animals. If this situation is encountered, the Contractor shall contact the Engineer as directed.

#### **MOBILIZATION**

For On Call Litter/Debris Removal and Recycling, the Contractor will be required to mobilize within the specified time frame as directed by the Engineer. Mobilization shall be considered incidental to the other bid items in this contract. No direct payment will be made for Mobilization.

The NCDOT will notify the Contractor of each location on the state highway system where litter collection and removal is required. Notification may be made by telephone or email and either method shall be considered sufficient. At the time of notification the Engineer shall inform the

Contractor of the facility type so that the Contractor can plan their operations and work zone traffic control. **The Contractor** will be required to prosecute the work in a continuous and uninterrupted manner from the time he begins work until completion and final acceptance of the work in each notification. **The Contractor shall notify the NCDOT by email or text when litter collection and trash bag removal is completed.** All work shall be subject to inspection by the Engineer at any time.

Note: It is the responsibility of the Contractor to check and read emails. Failure by the Contractor to read emails will not void the formal notification date.

# **SAFETY**

Contractor performing Work Zone Traffic Control shall have a minimum of one (1) NCDOT Certified Work Zone Supervisor. At no time during the contract is the Contractor to be without a NCDOT Certified Work Zone Supervisor. The NCDOT Certified Work Zone Supervisor must be on site during any traffic control activities that take place within the travel lane or otherwise alter the flow of traffic.

All stages of the litter/debris removal operation shall be accomplished in accordance with the "Work Zone Traffic Control Guidance for Litter/Debris Removal" in the Appendix. The NCDOT Certified Work Zone Supervisor shall submit traffic control plans for the approval of the Engineer, who may adjust or require additional control measures if warranted.

The Contractor will be held responsible for all damage or injury to property of any character resulting from any act, omission, negligence, or misconduct in the prosecution of the work. When any direct or indirect damage or injury is done to public or private property by or on account of any act, omission, negligence, or misconduct in the execution of the work, the Contractor shall either restore at his/her own expense such property to a condition similar or equal to that existing before such damage or injury was done, or shall make good such damage or injury in a manner acceptable to the owner of the damaged property and to the Department. In case of failure on the part of the Contractor to restore such property or make good such damage or injury the Department may at the Contractor's expense repair, rebuild, or otherwise restore such property in such manner, as the Engineer may consider necessary.

The Contractor's operations are restricted to daylight hours. Work shall only be performed when weather and visibility conditions allow safe operations.

# **EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS**

The Contractor shall furnish equipment of sufficient type, capacity, and quantity to safely and efficiently perform the litter/debris removal work. All vehicles used by the Contractor must be performance worthy by visual and operational inspection. The Contractor shall display telephone number and the company name prominently on each piece of equipment. Side by side utility vehicles with beds capable of carrying litter bags with specified warning lights may be allowed for bag pickup only. Four wheeler vehicles will not be allowed.

All vehicles, including trailers, used in the removal operation should be properly equipped with lighting per Roadway Standard Drawing 1165.01 Sheet 1 of 1. Trailers shall have rear mounted strobe lights, mounted as high as possible to enhance visibility.

The Contractor shall furnish, mount, and maintain a W10-11 or W10-11A "DEBRIS PICK UP FREQUENT STOPS' sign on the rear of each vehicle or trailer such that they can be easily read by motorists approaching from the rear. Details of the sign is included in the "Work Zone Traffic Control Guidance for Litter/Debris Removal" of this proposal. The sign must not obstruct any safety lighting or the operator's view.

The Contractor shall be responsible for the equipment provided in this contract at all times and at all locations during the term of the contract. The Contractor shall have no claim against the Department of Transportation for any expense involving damage or loss to the Contractor's equipment (including vandalism, theft, fire and acts of God, etc.) arising out of, or relating to, work performed under this agreement.

The safety of the public and the convenience of traffic shall be regarded as prime importance. The Contractor shall operate the equipment in a safe manner so as not to create a hazard to the traveling public. Crossing lanes of traffic and erratic driving will be strictly prohibited.

Signs, lights, safety, and other traffic control items are not a pay item, but are considered incidental to other contract items and the Contractor is expected to provide these items.

#### **DELETION OF SECTIONS**

In the event that a road rehabilitation or improvement project is under construction or will be under construction where litter/debris removal and recycling is scheduled, that section of road may be deleted from the appropriate list at the direction of the Department. The section may be re-inserted in the list following completion of the road rehabilitation or improving project.

In the event that the litter removal (complete corridor or outside shoulder only) for sections of road becomes a part of either the Adopt-A-Highway or Sponsor-A-Highway Program, those sections of road may be deleted from the appropriate list at the direction of the Department in compliance with Section 104-6 of the Standard Specifications. Additional compensation as provided in Section 104-5 of the Standard Specifications does not apply. The section may be reinserted in the list at the direction of the Department.

It is understood that during the course of the contract, portions of the routes may be deleted from the contract (due to construction projects, Adopt-A-Highway, Sponsor-A-Highway Program, etc.). It will be the responsibility of the Contractor to clean or not clean such sections as directed by the Engineer.

# **BID ITEMS**

This contract will consist of the following five (5) pay items:

NOTE: Miles shown in the provided spreadsheets are based on centerline length of the corridor.

- Initial Litter/Debris Removal and Recycling on Divided Highways per Shoulder
   Mile: This item will account for the first cycles of litter/debris removal and recycling on divided highways.
- 2. Routine Litter/Debris Removal and Recycling on Divided Highways per Shoulder Mile: This item will account for the second and subsequent cycles of litter/debris removal and recycling on divided highways. This work shall be performed 4 times per year per route as identified in the provided spreadsheet.
- 3. <u>Initial Litter/Debris Removal and Recycling on Undivided Highways per Shoulder</u>
  <u>Mile</u>: This item will account for the first cycles of litter/debris removal and recycling on undivided highways.
- 4. Routine Litter/Debris Removal and Recycling on Undivided Highways per Shoulder Mile: This item will account for the second and subsequent cycles of litter/debris removal and recycling on undivided highways. This work shall be performed 4 times per year per route as identified in the provided spreadsheet.
- 5. On Call Litter/Debris Removal and Recycling, Outside Shoulder per Shoulder Mile: This item will account for routes not included in the routine litter/debris removal and recycling cycle.

# QUALITY, INSPECTION AND BASIS OF ACCEPTANCE

It is intended that the work will be completed in a neat, continuous, and uninterrupted manner as determined by the Engineer. Completed work shall be clean and free of all accumulated litter/debris immediately after litter/debris removal and recycling. All work shall be subject to inspection by the Engineer at any time. The Engineer or a designated representative will make periodic next day inspections of the completed work. It will be the responsibility of the Contractor to keep the Engineer informed of his/her proposed work plan by submitting daily reports of work accomplished and of planned work for the upcoming day. The Contractor shall notify the NCDOT by email or text when litter collection and trash bag removal is completed.

The Department of Transportation will verify completion of the Contractor's work on a monthly basis before payment of invoice.

# **METHOD OF MEASUREMENT**

The quantity of Litter/Debris Pickup to be paid for will be the actual number of shoulder miles picked up. Highway mileage will be determined from NCDOT county maintenance maps; except in the case of dispute or obvious error, where actual mileage shall be measured. Normally, one map mile of two-lane or multi-lane undivided highway shall equal two (2) shoulder miles, and one map mile of multi-lane divided highways with grassed median shall equal four (4) shoulder miles.

All roadway ramps (Entrance and Exit) connecting the main roadway to adjacent roadways shall be picked up as part of this contract. No additional measurement or compensation will be made for interchange ramps, sight distance, etc. as such areas are considered incidental to the shoulder miles measured along the mainline.

It is understood that during the course of the contract, routes may be added to or deleted from the contract as routes are added to or deleted from the State Highway System, or for other extenuating circumstances. It will be the responsibility of the Contractor to perform work on such routes as directed by the Engineer. In the case of roads added to the System, actual mileage will be used for measurement. In the event that a road rehabilitation or improvement project is under construction, that section of road may be deleted at the direction of the Department.

The section may be re-inserted in the list following completion of the road rehabilitation or improving project.

# **BASIS OF PAYMENT**

The quantity of Initial Litter/Debris Removal and Recycling on Divided Highways, measured as provided above, will be paid for at the Shoulder Mile price for "Routine Litter/Debris Removal and Recycling on Divided Highways".

The quantity of Routine Litter/Debris Removal and Recycling on Divided Highways, measured as provided above, will be paid for at the Shoulder Mile price for "Routine Litter/Debris Removal and Recycling on Divided Highways".

The quantity of Initial Litter/Debris Removal and Recycling on Undivided Highways, measured as provided above, will be paid for at the Shoulder Mile price for "Routine Litter/Debris Removal and Recycling on Undivided Highways".

The quantity of Routine Litter/Debris Removal and Recycling on Undivided Highways, measured as provided above, will be paid for at the Shoulder Mile price for "Routine Litter/Debris Removal and Recycling on Undivided Highways".

The quantity of On Call Litter/Debris Removal and Recycling, Outside Shoulder, measured as provided above, will be paid for at the Shoulder Mile price for "On Call Litter/Debris Removal and Recycling, Outside Shoulder".

Bid prices and payments will be full compensation for all work, including but not limited to supervision, labor, transportation, fuels, lubricants, repair parts, equipment, machinery, tools, and

dumping fees, necessary for the prosecution and completion of the work. Payments will be made to the Contractor for work accomplished and accepted.

Payment for these items will be made for as follows:

Initial Litter/Debris Removal and Recycling on Divided HighwaysSHM
Routine Litter/Debris Removal and Recycling on Divided HighwaysSHM
Initial Litter/Debris Removal and Recycling on Undivided HighwaysSHM
Routine Litter/Debris Removal and Recycling on Undivided HighwaysSHM
On Call Litter/Debris Removal and Recycling, Outside ShoulderSHM

# **SUPPLEMENTAL SURVEYING:**

(4-20-21) 801 SP8 R03

Revise the 2018 Standard Specifications as follows:

Page 8-7, Article 801-3 MEASUREMENT AND PAYMENT, lines 10-11, replace with the following:

Supplemental Surveying Office Calculations will be paid at the stated price of \$85.00 per hour. Supplemental Field Surveying will be paid at the stated price of \$145.00 per hour. The

# PORTLAND CEMENT CONCRETE PRODUCTION AND DELIVERY: (9-15-20) 1000, 1014, 1024

SP10 R01

Revise the 2018 Standard Specifications as follows:

Page 10-6, Table 1000-1, REQUIREMENTS FOR CONCRETE, replace with the following:

			RI	EQUIRE	TABLE MENTS		ONCRE	ΓE			
Concrete	Min. Compressive Strength at 28 days	Maximum Water-Cement Ratio				Consistency Maximum Slump		<b>Cement Content</b>			
		Air-Entrained Concrete		Non-Air- Entrained Concrete		Vibrated	Non- Vibrated	Vibrated		Non-Vibrated	
		Rounded	Angular	Rounded	Angular Aggregate	Vib	Ž ig				
		1 1991 19m1 1 1991 0Pm10	1255. ePare	1155105410	r		Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.	
Units	psi					inch	inch	lb/cy	lb/cy	lb/cy	lb/cy
AA	4500	0.381	0.426			3.5 <sup>A</sup>		639	715		
AA Slip Form	4500	0.381	0.426			1.5		639	715		

Drilled Pier	4500			0.450	0.450		5 – 7 dry 7 - 9 wet			640	800
A	3000	0.488	0.532	0.550	0.594	3.5 A	4.0	564		602	
В	2500	0.488	0.567	0.559	0.630	1.5 machine placed 2.5 A hand placed	4.0	508		545	
Sand Light- weight	4500		0.420			4.0 A		715			
Latex Modified	3000 (at 7 days)	0.400	0.400			6.0		658			
Flowable Fill excavatable	150 max. (at 56 days)	as needed	as needed	as needed	as needed		Flowable			40	100
Flowable Fill non- excavatable	125	as needed	as needed	as needed	as needed		Flowable			100	as needed
Pavement	4500 Design, field 650 flexural, design only	0.559	0.559			1.5 slip form 3.0 hand placed		526			
Precast	See Table 1077-1	as needed	as needed			6.0	as needed	as needed	as needed	as needed	as needed
Prestressed	per contract	See Table 1078-1	See Table 1078-1			8.0		564	as needed		

A. The slump may be increased to 6 inches, provided the increase in slump is achieved by adding a chemical admixture conforming to Section 1024-3. In no case shall the water-cement ratio on the approved design be exceeded. Concrete exhibiting segregation and/or excessive bleeding will be rejected. Utilizing an Admixture to modify slump does not relinquish the contractor's responsibility to ensure the final product quality and overall configuration meets design specifications. Caution should be taken when placing these modified mixes on steep grades to prevent unintended changes to the set slope.

# MATERIAL AND EQUIPMENT STORAGE & PARKING OF PERSONAL VEHICLES:

11-17-21(Rev. 8-16-22) 1101 SP11 R03

Revise the 2018 Standard Specifications as follows:

# Page 11-2, Article 1101-8 MATERIAL AND EQUIPMENT STORAGE, line 35-38, delete and replace with the following:

When work is not in progress, keep all personnel, equipment, machinery, tools, construction debris, materials and supplies away from active travel lanes that meets Table 1101-1.

TABLE 1101-1 MATERIAL AND EQUIPMENT STORAGE FROM ACTIVE TRAVEL LANES							
Posted Speed Limit (mph)	Distance (ft)						
40 or less	≥ 18						
45-50	≥ 28						
55	≥ 32						
60 or higher	≥ 40						

When vehicles, equipment and materials are protected by concrete barrier or guardrail, they shall be offset at least 5 feet from the barrier or guardrail.

# Page 11-2, Article 1101-9 PARKING OF PERSONAL VEHICLES, line 40-41, delete and replace with the following:

Provide staging areas for personal vehicle parking in accordance with Article 1101-8 or as directed by the Engineer before use.

#### **WORK ZONE INSTALLER:**

(7-20-21)(Rev. 8-16-22) 1101, 1150 SP11 R04

Provide the service of at least one qualified work zone installer during the setup, installation, and removal of temporary traffic control within the highway right of way. The qualified work zone installer shall serve as crew leader and shall be on site and directing the installation and removal of temporary traffic control. If multiple temporary traffic control installations or removals are occurring simultaneously, then each shall have a qualified work zone installer.

The work zone installer shall be qualified by an NCDOT approved training agency or other NCDOT approved training provider in the safe and competent set up of temporary traffic control. For a complete listing of approved training agencies, see the Work Zone Safety Training webpage.

A work zone supervisor, in accordance with Article 1101-13 of the *Standard Specifications*, may fulfill the role of the work zone installer during the setup, installation, and removal of temporary traffic control within the highway right of way provided they are on site and directing the installation and removal of temporary traffic control.

All other individuals participating in the setup, installation, and removal of temporary traffic control within the highway right of way shall be certified as a qualified flagger in accordance with Article 1150-3 of the *Standard Specifications*, even if flagging is not being performed as part of the traffic control.

Provide the name and contact information of all qualified work zone installers to the Engineer prior to or at the preconstruction conference. Additionally, provide a qualification statement that all other individuals participating in the setup, installation, and removal of temporary traffic control are qualified flaggers that have been properly trained through an NCDOT approved training agency or other NCDOT approved

training provider.

All certification records for qualified work zone installers and flaggers shall be uploaded by the approved training agency or other NCDOT approved training provider to the Department's Work Zone Education Verification App (WZ-EVA) prior to the qualified work zone installer or flagger performing any traffic control duties on the project. For more information about WZ-EVA, see the Work Zone Safety Training webpage.

# STANDARD SPECIAL PROVISION AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS – TERMINATION OF CONTRACTS

(5-20-08) Z-2

General Statute 143C-6-11. (h) Highway Appropriation is hereby incorporated verbatim in this contract as follows:

(h) Amounts Encumbered. – Transportation project appropriations may be encumbered in the amount of allotments made to the Department of Transportation by the Director for the estimated payments for transportation project contract work to be performed in the appropriation fiscal year. The allotments shall be multiyear allotments and shall be based on estimated revenues and shall be subject to the maximum contract authority contained in *General Statute 143C-6-11(c)*. Payment for transportation project work performed pursuant to contract in any fiscal year other than the current fiscal year is subject to appropriations by the General Assembly. Transportation project contracts shall contain a schedule of estimated completion progress, and any acceleration of this progress shall be subject to the approval of the Department of Transportation provided funds are available. The State reserves the right to terminate or suspend any transportation project contract, and any transportation project contract shall be so terminated or suspended if funds will not be available for payment of the work to be performed during that fiscal year pursuant to the contract. In the event of termination of any contract, the contractor shall be given a written notice of termination at least 60 days before completion of scheduled work for which funds are available. In the event of termination, the contractor shall be paid for the work already performed in accordance with the contract specifications.

Payment will be made on any contract terminated pursuant to the special provision in accordance with Subarticle 108-13(D) of the 2018 Standard Specifications.

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#### **ERRATA**

(10-16-18) (Rev. 2-21-23)

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Revise the 2018 Standard Specifications as follows:

#### **Division 1**

- Page 1-1, Article 101-2 Abbreviations, line 13, replace "American National Standards Institute, Inc." with "American National Standards Institute".
- Page 1-1, Article 101-2 Abbreviations, line 32, replace "Equivalent Single Axis Load" with "Equivalent Single Axle Load".
- **Page 1-16, Subarticle 102-9(A) General, line 26,** replace "10 U.S.C. 2304(g)" with "10 U.S.C. 3205".
- Page 1-43, Article 104-13 RECYCLED PRODUCTS OR SOLID WASTE MATERIALS, line 4, replace "104-13(B)(2)" with "104-13(B)".
- Page 1-52, Article 106-1 RECYCLED PRODUCTS OR SOLID WASTE MATERIALS, line 25, replace "13 NCAC 7CF.0101(a)(99)" with "29 CFR 1910.1200".
- Page 1-79, Article 109-1 MEASUREMENT AND PAYMENT, Test Method prior to line 34, replace "AASHTO M 32" with "AASHTO M 336".

#### **Division 2**

- **Page 2-5, Article 210-2 CONSTRUCTION METHODS, line 21,** replace "NCGS §§ 130A-444 to -452" with "NCGS §§ 130A-444 to -453".
- Page 2-13, Article 225-2 EROSION CONTROL REQUIREMENTS, line 17, replace "the Sedimentation and Pollution Control Act" with "Article 107-12".
- Page 2-20, Subarticle 230-4(B)(3) Reclamation Plan, line 12, replace "Department's borrow and waste site reclamation procedures for contracted projects" with "Department's Borrow Waste and Staging Site Reclamation Procedures for Contract Projects".
- Page 2-25, Subarticle 235-3(E) Surcharges and Waiting Periods, line 21 and 27, delete "Department's Materials and Tests Unit.".
- Page 2-27, Article 240-4 MEASUREMENT AND PAYMENT, line 23, replace "Section 225" with "Article 225-7".
- Page 2-30, Article 275-4 MEASUREMENT AND PAYMENT, line 33, replace "Section 815" with "Article 815-4".

#### **Division 4**

Page 4-18, Subarticle 411-5(C)(3) Coring, line 11, replace "in accordance with ASTM D5079" with "with methods acceptable to the Engineer".

Page 4-50, Article 430-2 MATERIALS, prior to line 15, replace Section "1080-9" with "1080-7".

Page 4-53, Article 440-2 MATERIALS, prior to line 6, replace Section "1080-9" with "1080-7".

Page 4-58, Article 442-2 MATERIALS, prior to line 15, replace Section "1080-6" with "1080-12".

Page 4-59, Subarticle 442-7(A) Blast Cleaning, line 36, replace Article "1080-6" with "1080-12".

Page 4-76, Article 454-2 MATERIALS, prior to line 24, replace Section "815-2" with "1044".

Page 4-79, Article 455-2 MATERIALS, prior to line 21, replace Section "815" with "1044".

Page 4-80, Subarticle 455-3(B) Precast Gravity Wall Designs, line 23 and lines 25-26, replace "AASHTO LRFD specifications" with "AASHTO LRFD Bridge Design Specifications".

Page 4-84, Article 458-5 MEASUREMENT AND PAYMENT, line 31, replace article number "454-1" with "458-1".

#### **Division 6**

Page 6-7, Article 609-1 DESCRIPTION, line 29, replace article number "609-10" with "609-9".

Page 6-10, Subarticle 609-6(C) Control Charts, line 17, replace Section number "7021" with "7.20.1".

Page 6-13, Article 609-9 QUALITY ASSURANCE, line 31, replace Section number "7.60" with "7.6".

Page 6-26, Subarticle 610-13(A)(1) Acceptance for New Construction, line 31, replace Table number "610-7" with "610-8".

Page 6-29, Subarticle 610-13(B) North Carolina Hearne Straightedge, line 32, replace Table number "610-8" with "610-9".

Page 6-31, Article 610-14 DENSITY ACCEPTANCE, Specified Density prior to line 30 and line 32, replace Table number "610-6" with "610-7".

Page 6-37, Article 650-5 CONSTRUCTION METHODS, line 10, replace Section number "9.5(E)" with "9.5.1(E)".

Page 6-44, Subarticle 660-8(B) Asphalt Mat and Seal, line 40, replace Subarticle number "660-8(A)" with "660-8(C)".

Page 6-44, Subarticle 660-8(B) Asphalt Mat and Seal, line 42, replace Subarticle number "660-8(C)" with "660-8(A)".

#### **Division 7**

Page 7-11, Subarticle 700-15(E) Compressive Strength, line 5, replace "AASHTO T 23" with "AASHTO R 100".

Page 7-24, Article 723-4 Very High Early Strength Concrete for Concrete Pavement Repair, line 4, replace "AASHTO T126" with "AASHTO R 39".

Page 7-24, Article 723-5 MEASUREMENT AND PAYMENT, line 34, replace "Section 225" with "Article 225-7".

Page 7-24, Article 723-5 MEASUREMENT AND PAYMENT, line 36, replace "Section 270" with "Article 270-4".

**Page 7-27, Article 725-1 MEASUREMENT AND PAYMENT, line 4,** replace article number "725-1" with "724-4".

**Page 7-28, Article 725-1 MEASUREMENT AND PAYMENT, line 10,** replace article number "725-1" with "725-3".

#### **Division 8**

Page 8-11, Article 815-1 MATERIALS, after line 35, replace "1080-12" with "1080-10".

Page 8-13, Article 816-1 MATERIALS, after line 28, replace "1080-12" with "1080-10".

Page 8-17, Article 825-1 Description, line 5, delete "853" and "855".

#### **Division 10**

Page 10-2, Subarticle 1000-3(B) Air Entrainment, line 33, replace "Chase" with "Chace".

Page 10-4, Subarticle 1000-4(A) Composition and Design, after line 17, replace "T23" with "R100".

Page 10-4, Subarticle 1000-4(B) Air Entrainment, line 31 and 33, replace "Chase" with "Chace".

Page 10-4, Subarticle 1000-4(C) Strength of Concrete, line 39 and 41, replace "T 23" with "R 100".

Page 10-15, Subarticle 1000-11(B) Mixing Time for Central Mixed Concrete, after line 35, replace "T 23" with "R 100".

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Page 10-22, Article 1003-3 COMPOSITION AND DESIGN, line 9, replace "Engineer" with "engineer".

Page 10-23, Article 1003-4 GROUT REQUIREMENTS, line 16 and 18, replace "T 23" with "R 100".

Page 10-26, Article 1005-4 TESTING, after line 26, replace " $1014-2 \in (6)$ " with " $1014-2 \in (6)$ " in C. of Table 1005-1 footnote and replace "Lightweight<sup>B</sup>" with "Lightweight<sup>C</sup>".

Page 10-29, Subarticle 1012-1(B)(4) Flat and Elongated Pieces, line 44, delete "SF9.5A"

Page 10-36, Subarticle 1012-2(E) Toughness (Resistance to Abrasion), line 31, replace "course" with "coarse".

Page 10-37, Article 1012-4, LIGHTWEIGHT AGGREGATE, line 4, replace Table number "1012-8" with "1012-5".

Page 10-60, Subarticle 1032-6(F) Joint Materials, line 15, replace "AASHTO M 198" with "ASTM C990" and delete "Type B".

**Page 10-61, Article 1034-3 CONCRETE SEWER PIPE, line 33,** replace "AASHTO M 198" with "ASTM C990" and delete "Type A or B".

**Page 10-64, Article 1040-1 BRICK, line 12,** replace "ASTM C62" with "ASTM C62 or ASTM C216".

Page 10-67, Article 1044-7 CORRUGATED PLASTIC PIPE AND FITTINGS, line 24, replace "AASHTO M 294 for heavy duty tubing" with "Article 1032-7 and AASHTO M 252".

**Page 10-69, Subarticle 1046-3(D) Offset Blocks, before line 1,** replace "WIRE DIAMETER" with "COMPOSITE OFFSET BLOCKS" as the tile of Table 1046-1.

**Page 10-83, Article 1060-9 WATER, line 9,** replace "15 NCAC 2B.0200" with "15A NCAC 02B.0200".

Page 10-92, Subarticle 1072-5(A) General, after line 30, replace "SAMPLING REQUIREMENTS FOR HIGH STRENGTH BOLTS, NUTS AND WASHERS" with "SAMPLING REQUIREMENTS FOR HIGH STRENGTH BOLTS, NUTS AND WASHERS TO INCLUDE DIRECT TENSION INDICATORS" as the title of Table 1072-1.

Page 10-95, Subarticle 1072-5(D)(7)(a) Mill Test Report(s), line 18, replace title with "Mill Test Report(s) (MTR)".

Page 10-95, Subarticle 1072-5(D)(7)(b) Manufacturer Certified Test Report(s), line 24, replace title with "Manufacturer Certified Test Report(s) (MCTR)".

Page 10-96, Subarticle 1072-5(D)(7)(c) Distributor Certified Test Report(s), line 1, replace title with "Distributor Certified Test Report(s) (DCTR)".

Page 10-98, Subarticle 1072-5(F) Galvanized High Strength Bolts, Nuts and Washers, line 11, replace "Article 1080-9" with "Article 1080-7".

Page 10-121, Article 1076-7, REPAIR OF GALVANIZING, line 8, replace article number "1080-9" with "1080-7".

Page 10-125, Subarticle 1077-5(B) Testing, line 31, replace "T 23" with "R 100".

Page 10-136, Subarticle 1077-5(J)(2) Mixing Time for Central Mixed Concrete, after line 17, replace "T23" with "R100".

Page 10-153, Subarticle 1079-1 PREFORMED BEARING PADS, line 8, replace "MIL-C882-D" with "MIL-C-882-E".

Page 10-154, Subarticle 1079-2(A) General, line 6, delete "and 1079-2(E)".

Page 10-162, Article 1080-50 PAINT FOR VERTICAL MARKERS, line 1, replace article number "1080-50" with "1080-10".

Page 10-162, Article 1080-61 EPOXY RESIN FOR REINFORCING STEEL, line 5, replace article number "1080-61" with "1080-11".

Page 10-162, Article 1080-72 ABRASIVE MATERIALS FOR BLAST CLEANING STEEL, line 22, replace article number "1080-72" with "1080-12".

Page 10-163, Article 1080-83 FIELD PERFORMANCE AND SERVICES, line 25, replace article number "1080-83" with "1080-13".

Page 10-200, Subarticle 1090-1(C) Anchor Bolts, line 38, replace ASTM number "A325" with "F3125".

**Page 10-202, Subarticle 1091-3(F) Solid Wall HDPE Conduit, line 5,** replace ", Table 1091-1, 1091-2 and 1091-3" with "and Table 1091-1".

Page 10-209, Subarticle 1094-1(D) Steel Square Tube Posts, line 10, replace ASTM number "A123" with "A653".

Page 10-224, Subarticle 1098-14(H)(1) Type I – Pedestrian Pushbutton Post, line 3, replace ASTM number "325" with "F3125".

Page 10-224, Article 1098-16 CABINET BASE ADAPTER/EXTENDER, line 33, replace Section number "6.7" with "6.8".

#### **Division 14**

**Page 14-11, Subarticle 1401-2(B) Lowering Device, line 36,** replace Military Specification "MIL-W-83420E" with "MIL-DTL-83420".

Page 14-22, Article 1412-2 MATERIALS, line 29, replace UL Standard "1572" with "1598".

#### **Division 15**

Page 15-6, Subarticle 1510-3(B) Testing and Sterilization, line 40, replace Section number "4.4.3" with "4.4".

Page 15-14, Article 1525-2 MATERIALS, line 9, replace "AASHTO M 198" with "ASTM C990".

Page 15-14, Article 1525-2 MATERIALS, lines 17-18, delete "in the Grout Production and Delivery provision".

Page 15-19, Article 1550-2 MATERIALS, line 16, replace "AASHTO LRFD Bridge Design Specifications" with "AASHTO LRFD Bridge Construction Specifications".

#### **Division 16**

Page 16-9, Article 1630-3 MEASUREMENT AND PAYMENT, line 7, replace "Section 225" with "Article 225-7".

Page 16-9, Article 1630-3 MEASUREMENT AND PAYMENT, line 8, replace "Section 230" with "Article 230-5".

Page 16-16, Article 1637-5 MEASUREMENT AND PAYMENT, line 17, replace "Section 310" with "Article 310-6".

#### **Division 17**

Page 17-15, Article 1715-4 MEASUREMENT AND PAYMENT, lines 42-44, replace the second sentence with the following:

An example is an installation of a single 1.25 inch HDPE conduit would be paid as:

Directional Drill (1)(1.25") Linear Foot

**Page 17-15, Subarticle 1715-3(E) Bore and Jack, line 5,** replace article number "1540-4" with "1550-4".

**Page 17-15, Subarticle 1715-3(E) Bore and Jack, lines 10 & 11,** replace "NCDOT Policies and Procedures for Accommodating Utilities on Highway Rights of Way" with "NCDOT Utilities Accommodations Manual".

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# PLANT AND PEST QUARANTINES

(Imported Fire Ant, Gypsy Moth, Witchweed, Emerald Ash Borer, Guava Root Knot Nematode, And Other Noxious Weeds)

(3-18-03) (Rev. 5-21-19) Z-04a

#### Within Quarantined Area

This project may be within a county regulated for plant and/or pests. If the project or any part of the Contractor's operations is located within a quarantined area, thoroughly clean all equipment prior to moving out of the quarantined area. Comply with federal/state regulations by obtaining a certificate or limited permit for any regulated article moving from the quarantined area.

# **Originating in a Quarantined County**

Obtain a certificate or limited permit issued by the N.C. Department of Agriculture/United States Department of Agriculture. Have the certificate or limited permit accompany the article when it arrives at the project site.

#### Contact

Contact the N.C. Department of Agriculture/United States Department of Agriculture at 1-800-206-9333, 919-707-3730, or <a href="https://www.ncagr.gov/plantindustry/Plant/quaran/table2.htm">https://www.ncagr.gov/plantindustry/Plant/quaran/table2.htm</a> to determine those specific project sites located in the quarantined area or for any regulated article used on this project originating in a quarantined county.

# **Regulated Articles Include**

- 1. Soil, sand, gravel, compost, peat, humus, muck, and decomposed manure, separately or with other articles. This includes movement of articles listed above that may be associated with cut/waste, ditch pulling, and shoulder cutting.
- 2. Plants with roots including grass sod.
- 3. Plant crowns and roots.
- 4. Bulbs, corms, rhizomes, and tubers of ornamental plants.
- 5. Hay, straw, fodder, and plant litter of any kind.
- 6. Clearing and grubbing debris.
- 7. Used agricultural cultivating and harvesting equipment.
- 8. Used earth-moving equipment.
- 9. Any other products, articles, or means of conveyance, of any character, if determined by an inspector to present a hazard of spreading imported fire ant, gypsy moth, witchweed, emerald ash borer, guava root knot nematode, or other noxious weeds.

#### **MINIMUM WAGES**

(7-21-09) Z-5

**FEDERAL:** The Fair Labor Standards Act provides that with certain exceptions every employer shall pay wages at the rate of not less than SEVEN DOLLARS AND TWENTY FIVE CENTS (\$7.25) per hour.

**STATE:** The North Carolina Minimum Wage Act provides that every employer shall pay to each of his employees, wages at a rate of not less than SEVEN DOLLARS AND TWENTY FIVE CENTS (\$7.25) per hour.

The minimum wage paid to all skilled labor employed on this contract shall be SEVEN DOLLARS AND TWENTY FIVE CENTS (\$7.25) per hour.

The minimum wage paid to all intermediate labor employed on this contract shall be SEVEN DOLLARS AND TWENTY FIVE CENTS (\$7.25) per hour.

The minimum wage paid to all unskilled labor on this contract shall be SEVEN DOLLARS AND TWENTY FIVE CENTS (\$7.25) per hour.

This determination of the intent of the application of this act to the contract on this project is the responsibility of the Contractor.

The Contractor shall have no claim against the Department of Transportation for any changes in the minimum wage laws, Federal or State. It is the responsibility of the Contractor to keep fully informed of all Federal and State Laws affecting his contract.

# **TITLE VI AND NONDISCRIMINATION:**

(6-28-77)(Rev 6/19/2018)

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Revise the 2018 Standard Specifications as follows:

Replace Article 103-4(B) with the following:

The North Carolina Department of Transportation is committed to carrying out the U.S. Department of Transportation's policy of ensuring nondiscrimination in the award and administration of contracts.

The provisions of this section related to United States Department of Transportation (US DOT) Order 1050.2A, Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) part 21, 23 United States Code (U.S.C.) 140 and 23 CFR part 200 (or 49 CFR 303, 49 U.S.C. 5332 or 49 U.S.C. 47123) are applicable to all North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) contracts and to all related subcontracts, material supply, engineering, architectural and other service contracts, regardless of dollar amount. Any Federal provision that is specifically required not specifically set forth is hereby incorporated by reference.

#### (1) Title VI Assurances (USDOT Order 1050.2A, Appendix A)

During the performance of this contract, the contractor, for itself, its assignees, and successors in interest (hereinafter referred to as the "contractor") agrees as follows:

(a) Compliance with Regulations

The contractor (hereinafter includes consultants) shall comply with the Acts and the Regulations relative to Nondiscrimination in Federally-assisted programs of the U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), as they may be amended from time to time, which are herein incorporated by reference and made a part of this contract.

#### (b) Nondiscrimination

The contractor, with regard to the work performed by it during the contract, shall not discriminate on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in the selection and retention of subcontractors, including procurements of materials and leases of equipment. The contractor shall not participate directly or indirectly in the discrimination prohibited by the Acts and the Regulations, including employment practices when the contract covers any activity, project, or program set forth in Appendix B of 49 CFR Part 21.

- (c) Solicitations for Subcontractors, Including Procurements of Materials and Equipment In all solicitations, either by competitive bidding, or negotiation made by the contractor for work to be performed under a subcontract, including procurements of materials, or leases of equipment, each potential subcontractor or supplier shall be notified by the contractor of the contractor's obligations under this contract and the Acts and the Regulations relative to Nondiscrimination on the grounds of race, color, or national origin.
- (d) Information and Reports

The contractor shall provide all information and reports required by the Acts, the Regulations, and directives issued pursuant thereto and shall permit access to its books, records, accounts, other sources of information, and its facilities as may be determined by the Recipient or the FHWA to be pertinent to ascertain compliance with such Acts, Regulations, and instructions. Where any information required of a contractor is in the exclusive possession of another who fails or refuses to furnish the information, the contractor shall so certify to the Recipient or the FHWA, as appropriate, and shall set forth what efforts it has made to obtain the information.

(e) Sanctions for Noncompliance:

In the event of a contractor's noncompliance with the Non-discrimination provisions of this contract, the Recipient will impose such contract sanctions as it and/or the FHWA may determine to be appropriate, including, but not limited to:

- (i) Withholding payments to the contractor under the contract until the contractor complies; and/or
- (ii) Cancelling, terminating, or suspending a contract, in whole or in part.
- (f) Incorporation of Provisions

The contractor shall include the provisions of paragraphs (a) through (f) in every subcontract, including procurements of materials and leases of equipment, unless exempt by the Acts, the Regulations and directives issued pursuant thereto. The contractor shall take action with respect to any subcontract or procurement as the Recipient or the FHWA may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions including sanctions for noncompliance. Provided, that if the contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with litigation by a subcontractor, or supplier because of such direction, the contractor may request the Recipient to enter into any litigation to protect the interests of the Recipient. In addition, the contractor may request the United States to enter into the litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

# (2) Title VI Nondiscrimination Program (23 CFR 200.5(p))

The North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) has assured the USDOT that, as a condition to receiving federal financial assistance, NCDOT will comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and all requirements imposed by Title 49 CFR part 21 and related nondiscrimination authorities to ensure that no person shall, on the ground of race, color, national origin, limited English proficiency, sex, age, or disability (including religion/creed or income-level, where applicable), be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any programs, activities, or services conducted or funded by NCDOT. Contractors and other organizations under contract or agreement with NCDOT must also comply with Title VI and related authorities, therefore:

- (a) During the performance of this contract or agreement, contractors (e.g., subcontractors, consultants, vendors, prime contractors) are responsible for complying with NCDOT's Title VI Program. Contractors are not required to prepare or submit Title VI Programs. To comply with this section, the prime contractor shall:
  - 1. Post NCDOT's Notice of Nondiscrimination and the Contractor's own Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) Policy in conspicuous locations accessible to all employees, applicants and subcontractors on the jobsite.
  - 2. Physically incorporate the required Title VI clauses into all subcontracts on federally-assisted and state-funded NCDOT projects, and ensure inclusion by subcontractors into all lower-tier subcontracts.
  - 3. Required Solicitation Language. The Contractor shall include the following notification in all solicitations for bids and requests for work or material, regardless of funding source: "The North Carolina Department of Transportation, in accordance with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (78 Stat. 252, 42 US.C. §§ 2000d to 2000d-4) and the Regulations, hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged business enterprises will be afforded full and fair opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in consideration for an award. In accordance with other related nondiscrimination authorities, bidders and contractors will also not be discriminated against on the grounds of sex, age, disability, low-income level, creed/religion, or limited English proficiency in consideration for an award."

- 4. Physically incorporate the FHWA-1273, in its entirety, into all subcontracts and subsequent lower tier subcontracts on Federal-aid highway construction contracts only.
- 5. Provide language assistance services (i.e., written translation and oral interpretation), free of charge, to LEP employees and applicants. Contact NCDOT OCR for further assistance, if needed.
- 6. For assistance with these Title VI requirements, contact the NCDOT Title VI Nondiscrimination Program at 1-800-522-0453.
- (b) Subrecipients (e.g. cities, counties, LGAs, planning organizations) may be required to prepare and submit a Title VI Plan to NCDOT, including Title VI Assurances and/or agreements. Subrecipients must also ensure compliance by their contractors and subrecipients with Title VI. (23 CFR 200.9(b)(7))
- (c) If reviewed or investigated by NCDOT, the contractor or subrecipient agrees to take affirmative action to correct any deficiencies found within a reasonable time period, not to exceed 90 calendar days, unless additional time is granted by NCDOT. (23 CFR 200.9(b)(15))
- (d) The Contractor is responsible for notifying subcontractors of NCDOT's External Discrimination Complaints Process.
  - 1. Applicability

Title VI and related laws protect participants and beneficiaries (e.g., members of the public and contractors) from discrimination by NCDOT employees, subrecipients and contractors, regardless of funding source.

2. Eligibility

Any person—or class of persons—who believes he/she has been subjected to discrimination based on race, color, national origin, Limited English Proficiency (LEP), sex, age, or disability (and religion in the context of employment, aviation, or transit) may file a written complaint. The law also prohibits intimidation or retaliation of any sort.

3. Time Limits and Filing Options

Complaints may be filed by the affected individual(s) or a representative and must be filed no later than 180 calendar days after the following:

- (i) The date of the alleged act of discrimination; or
- (ii) The date when the person(s) became aware of the alleged discrimination; or
- (iii) Where there has been a continuing course of conduct, the date on which that conduct was discontinued or the latest instance of the conduct.

Title VI and related discrimination complaints may be submitted to the following entities:

- ➤ North Carolina Department of Transportation, Office of Civil Rights, Title VI Program, 1511 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-1511; toll free 1-800-522-0453
- ➤ Federal Highway Administration, North Carolina Division Office, 310 New Bern Avenue, Suite 410, Raleigh, NC 27601, 919-747-7010
- ➤ US Department of Transportation, Departmental Office of Civil Rights, External Civil Rights Programs Division, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE, Washington, DC 20590; 202-366-4070

#### 4. Format for Complaints

Complaints must be in writing and signed by the complainant(s) or a representative, and include the complainant's name, address, and telephone number. Complaints received by fax or e-mail will be acknowledged and processed. Allegations received by telephone will be reduced to writing and provided to the complainant for confirmation or revision before processing. Complaints will be accepted in other languages, including Braille.

5. Discrimination Complaint Form

Contact NCDOT Civil Rights to receive a full copy of the Discrimination Complaint Form and procedures.

# 6. Complaint Basis

Allegations must be based on issues involving race, color, national origin (LEP), sex, age, disability, or religion (in the context of employment, aviation or transit). "Basis" refers to the complainant's membership in a protected group category.

TABLE 103-1 COMPLAINT BASIS							
Protected Categories	Definition	Examples	Applicable Nondiscrimination Authorities				
Race and Ethnicity	An individual belonging to one of the accepted racial groups; or the perception, based usually on physical characteristics that a person is a member of a racial group	Black/African American, Hispanic/Latino, Asian, American Indian/Alaska Native, Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander, White	Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964; 49 CFR Part 21; 23 CFR 200; 49 U.S.C. 5332(b); 49 U.S.C. 47123. (Executive Order 13166)				
Color	Color of skin, including shade of skin within a racial group	Black, White, brown, yellow, etc.					
National Origin (Limited English Proficiency)	Place of birth. Citizenship is not a factor. (Discrimination based on language or a person's accent is also covered)	Mexican, Cuban, Japanese, Vietnamese, Chinese					
Sex	Gender. The sex of an individual.  Note: Sex under this program does not include sexual orientation.	Women and Men	1973 Federal-Aid Highway Act; 49 U.S.C. 5332(b); 49 U.S.C. 47123.				
Age	Persons of any age	21-year-old person	Age Discrimination Act of 1975 49 U.S.C. 5332(b); 49 U.S.C. 47123.				
Disability	Physical or mental impairment, permanent or temporary, or perceived.	Blind, alcoholic, para-amputee, epileptic, diabetic, arthritic	Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990				
Religion (in the context of employment) (Religion/ Creed in all aspects of any aviation or transit-related construction)	An individual belonging to a religious group; or the perception, based on distinguishable characteristics that a person is a member of a religious group. In practice, actions taken as a result of the moral and ethical beliefs as to what is right and wrong, which are sincerely held with the strength of traditional religious views. <i>Note:</i> Does not have to be associated with a recognized religious group or church; if an individual sincerely holds to the belief, it is a protected religious practice.	Muslim, Christian, Sikh, Hindu, etc.	Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964; 23 CFR 230; FHWA-1273 Required Contract Provisions. (49 U.S.C. 5332(b); 49 U.S.C. 47123)				

(3) Pertinent Nondiscrimination Authorities

During the performance of this contract, the contractor, for itself, its assignees, and successors in interest agrees to comply with the following non-discrimination statutes and authorities, including, but not limited to:

- (a) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. § 2000d et seq., 78 stat. 252), (prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin); and 49 CFR Part 21.
- (b) The Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, (42 U.S.C. § 4601), (prohibits unfair treatment of persons displaced or whose property has been acquired because of Federal or Federal-aid programs and projects);
- (c) Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1973, (23 U.S.C. § 324 et seq.), (prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex);
- (d) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, (29 U.S.C. § 794 et seq.), as amended, (prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability) and 49 CFR Part 27;
- (e) The Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended, (42 U.S.C. § 6101 et seq.), (prohibits discrimination on the basis of age);
- (f) Airport and Airway Improvement Act of 1982, (49 USC § 471, Section 47123), as amended, (prohibits discrimination based on race, creed, color, national origin, or sex);
- (g) The Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987, (PL 100-209), (Broadened the scope, coverage and applicability of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, The Age Discrimination Act of 1975 and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, by expanding the definition of the terms "programs or activities" to include all of the programs or activities of the Federal-aid recipients, sub-recipients and contractors, whether such programs or activities are Federally funded or not);
- (h) Titles II and III of the Americans with Disabilities Act, which prohibit discrimination on the basis of disability in the operation of public entities, public and private transportation systems, places of public accommodation, and certain testing entities (42 U.S.C. §§ 12131-12189) as implemented by Department of Transportation regulations at 49 C.F.R. parts 37 and 38;
- (i) The Federal Aviation Administration's Nondiscrimination statute (49 U.S.C. § 47123) (prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, and sex);
- (j) Executive Order 12898, Federal Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low-Income Populations, which ensures Nondiscrimination against minority populations by discouraging programs, policies, and activities with disproportionately high and adverse human health or environmental effects on minority and low-income populations;
- (k) Executive Order 13166, Improving Access to Services for Persons with Limited English Proficiency, and resulting agency guidance, national origin discrimination includes discrimination because of Limited English proficiency (LEP). To ensure compliance with Title VI, you must take reasonable steps to ensure that LEP persons have meaningful access to your programs (70 Fed. Reg. at 74087 to 74100);
- (1) Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended, which prohibits you from discriminating because of sex in education programs or activities (20 U.S.C. 1681 et seq).
- (m) Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. § 2000e et seq., Pub. L. 88-352), (prohibits employment discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin).

# (4) Additional Title VI Assurances

- \*\*The following Title VI Assurances (Appendices B, C and D) shall apply, as applicable
- (a) Clauses for Deeds Transferring United States Property (1050.2A, Appendix B)

  The following clauses will be included in deeds effecting or recording the transfer of real property, structures, or improvements thereon, or granting interest therein from the United States pursuant to the provisions of Assurance 4.

NOW, THEREFORE, the U.S. Department of Transportation as authorized by law and upon the condition that the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) will accept title to the lands and maintain the project constructed thereon in accordance with the North Carolina General Assembly, the Regulations for the Administration of the Federal-Aid Highway Program, and the policies and procedures prescribed by the Federal Highway Administration of the U.S. Department of Transportation in accordance and in compliance with all requirements imposed by Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, U.S. Department of Transportation, Subtitle A, Office of the Secretary, Part 21, Nondiscrimination in Federally-assisted programs of the U.S Department of Transportation pertaining to and effectuating the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (78 Stat. 252; 42 U.S.C. § 2000d to 2000d-4), does hereby remise, release, quitclaim and convey unto the NCDOT all the right, title and interest of the U.S. Department of Transportation in and to said lands described in Exhibit A attached hereto and made a part hereof.

#### (HABENDUM CLAUSE)

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD said lands and interests therein unto the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) and its successors forever, subject, however, to the covenants, conditions, restrictions and reservations herein contained as follows, which will remain in effect for the period during which the real property or structures are used for a purpose for which Federal financial assistance is extended or for another purpose involving the provision of similar services or benefits and will be binding on the NCDOT, its successors and assigns.

The NCDOT, in consideration of the conveyance of said lands and interests in lands, does hereby covenant and agree as a covenant running with the land for itself, its successors and assigns, that (1) no person will on the grounds of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination with regard to any facility located wholly or in part on, over, or under such lands hereby conveyed [,] [and]\* (2) that the NCDOT will use the lands and interests in lands and interests in lands so conveyed, in compliance with all requirements imposed by or pursuant to Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, U.S. Department of Transportation, Subtitle A, Office of the Secretary, Part 21, Non-discrimination in Federally-assisted programs of the U.S. Department of Transportation, Effectuation of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and as said Regulations and Acts may be amended [, and (3) that in the event of breach of any of the abovementioned nondiscrimination conditions, the Department will have a right to enter or re-enter said lands and facilities on said land, and that above described land and facilities will thereon revert to and vest in and become the absolute property of the U.S. Department of Transportation and its assigns as such interest existed prior to this instruction].\*

(\*Reverter clause and related language to be used only when it is determined that such a clause is necessary in order to make clear the purpose of Title VI.)

- (b) Clauses for Transfer of Real Property Acquired or Improved Under the Activity, Facility, or Program (1050.2A, Appendix C)
  - The following clauses will be included in deeds, licenses, leases, permits, or similar instruments entered into by the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) pursuant to the provisions of Assurance 7(a):
  - 1. The (grantee, lessee, permittee, etc. as appropriate) for himself/herself, his/her heirs, personal representatives, successors in interest, and assigns, as a part of the consideration hereof, does hereby covenant and agree [in the case of deeds and leases add "as a covenant running with the land"] that:

- (i.) In the event facilities are constructed, maintained, or otherwise operated on the property described in this (deed, license, lease, permit, etc.) for a purpose for which a U.S. Department of Transportation activity, facility, or program is extended or for another purpose involving the provision of similar services or benefits, the (grantee, licensee, lessee, permittee, etc.) will maintain and operate such facilities and services in compliance with all requirements imposed by the Acts and Regulations (as may be amended) such that no person on the grounds of race, color, or national origin, will be excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination in the use of said facilities.
- 2. With respect to licenses, leases, permits, etc., in the event of breach of any of the above Nondiscrimination covenants, the NCDOT will have the right to terminate the (lease, license, permit, etc.) and to enter, re-enter, and repossess said lands and facilities thereon, and hold the same as if the (lease, license, permit, etc.) had never been made or issued. \*
- 3. With respect to a deed, in the event of breach of any of the above Nondiscrimination covenants, the NCDOT will have the right to enter or re-enter the lands and facilities thereon, and the above described lands and facilities will there upon revert to and vest in and become the absolute property of the NCDOT and its assigns. \*

(\*Reverter clause and related language to be used only when it is determined that such a clause is necessary to make clear the purpose of Title VI.)

- (c) Clauses for Construction/Use/Access to Real Property Acquired Under the Activity, Facility or Program (1050.2A, Appendix D)
  - The following clauses will be included in deeds, licenses, permits, or similar instruments/agreements entered into by the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) pursuant to the provisions of Assurance 7(b):
  - 1. The (grantee, licensee, permittee, etc., as appropriate) for himself/herself, his/her heirs, personal representatives, successors in interest, and assigns, as a part of the consideration hereof, does hereby covenant and agree (in the case of deeds and leases add, "as a covenant running with the land") that (1) no person on the ground of race, color, or national origin, will be excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination in the use of said facilities, (2) that in the construction of any improvements on, over, or under such land, and the furnishing of services thereon, no person on the ground of race, color, or national origin, will be excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of, or otherwise be subjected to discrimination, (3) that the (grantee, licensee, lessee, permittee, etc.) will use the premises in compliance with all other requirements imposed by or pursuant to the Acts and Regulations, as amended, set forth in this Assurance.
  - 2. With respect to (licenses, leases, permits, etc.), in the event of breach of any of the above Non¬ discrimination covenants, the NCDOT will have the right to terminate the (license, permit, etc., as appropriate) and to enter or re-enter and repossess said land and the facilities thereon, and hold the same as if said (license, permit, etc., as appropriate) had never been made or issued. \*
  - 3. With respect to deeds, in the event of breach of any of the above Nondiscrimination covenants, the NCDOT will there upon revert to and vest in and become the absolute property of the NCDOT and its assigns. \*

(\*Reverter clause and related language to be used only when it is determined that such a clause is necessary to make clear the purpose of Title VI.)

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# **STANDARD SPECIAL PROVISION**

# **ON-THE-JOB TRAINING**

(10-16-07) (Rev. 4-21-15)

#### **Description**

The North Carolina Department of Transportation will administer a custom version of the Federal On-the-Job Training (OJT) Program, commonly referred to as the Alternate OJT Program. All contractors (existing and newcomers) will be automatically placed in the Alternate Program. Standard OJT requirements typically associated with individual projects will no longer be applied at the project level. Instead, these requirements will be applicable on an annual basis for each contractor administered by the OJT Program Manager.

On the Job Training shall meet the requirements of 23 CFR 230.107 (b), 23 USC – Section 140, this provision and the On-the-Job Training Program Manual.

The Alternate OJT Program will allow a contractor to train employees on Federal, State and privately funded projects located in North Carolina. However, priority shall be given to training employees on NCDOT Federal-Aid funded projects.

#### **Minorities and Women**

Developing, training and upgrading of minorities and women toward journeyman level status is a primary objective of this special training provision. Accordingly, the Contractor shall make every effort to enroll minority and women as trainees to the extent that such persons are available within a reasonable area of recruitment. This training commitment is not intended, and shall not be used, to discriminate against any applicant for training, whether a member of a minority group or not.

# **Assigning Training Goals**

The Department, through the OJT Program Manager, will assign training goals for a calendar year based on the contractors' past three years' activity and the contractors' anticipated upcoming year's activity with the Department. At the beginning of each year, all contractors eligible will be contacted by the Department to determine the number of trainees that will be assigned for the upcoming calendar year. At that time the Contractor shall enter into an agreement with the Department to provide a self-imposed on-the-job training program for the calendar year. This agreement will include a specific number of annual training goals agreed to by both parties. The number of training assignments may range from 1 to 15 per contractor per calendar year. The Contractor shall sign an agreement to fulfill their annual goal for the year.\

# **Training Classifications**

The Contractor shall provide on-the-job training aimed at developing full journeyman level workers in the construction craft/operator positions. Preference shall be given to providing training in the following skilled work classifications:

Equipment Operators Office Engineers
Truck Drivers Estimators

Carpenters Iron / Reinforcing Steel Workers

Concrete Finishers Mechanics
Pipe Layers Welders

The Department has established common training classifications and their respective training requirements that may be used by the contractors. However, the classifications established are not all-inclusive. Where the training is oriented toward construction applications, training will be allowed in lower-level management positions such as office engineers and estimators. Contractors shall submit new classifications for specific job functions that their employees are performing. The Department will review and recommend for acceptance to FHWA the new classifications proposed by contractors, if applicable. New classifications shall meet the following requirements:

Proposed training classifications are reasonable and realistic based on the job skill classification needs, and

The number of training hours specified in the training classification is consistent with common practices and provides enough time for the trainee to obtain journeyman level status.

The Contractor may allow trainees to be trained by a subcontractor provided that the Contractor retains primary responsibility for meeting the training and this provision is made applicable to the subcontract. However, only the Contractor will receive credit towards the annual goal for the trainee.

Where feasible, 25 percent of apprentices or trainees in each occupation shall be in their first year of apprenticeship or training. The number of trainees shall be distributed among the work classifications on the basis of the contractor's needs and the availability of journeymen in the various classifications within a reasonable area of recruitment.

No employee shall be employed as a trainee in any classification in which they have successfully completed a training course leading to journeyman level status or in which they have been employed as a journeyman.

#### **Records and Reports**

The Contractor shall maintain enrollment, monthly and completion reports documenting company compliance under these contract documents. These documents and any other information as requested shall be submitted to the OJT Program Manager.

Upon completion and graduation of the program, the Contractor shall provide each trainee with a certification Certificate showing the type and length of training satisfactorily completed.

#### **Trainee Interviews**

All trainees enrolled in the program will receive an initial and Trainee/Post graduate interview conducted by the OJT program staff.

#### **Trainee Wages**

Contractors shall compensate trainees on a graduating pay scale based upon a percentage of the prevailing minimum journeyman wages (Davis-Bacon Act). Minimum pay shall be as follows:

60 percent of the journeyman wage for the first half of the training period of the journeyman wage for the third quarter of the training period of the journeyman wage for the last quarter of the training period

In no instance shall a trainee be paid less than the local minimum wage. The Contractor shall adhere to the minimum hourly wage rate that will satisfy both the NC Department of Labor (NCDOL) and the Department.

# **Achieving or Failing to Meet Training Goals**

The Contractor will be credited for each trainee employed by him on the contract work who is currently enrolled or becomes enrolled in an approved program and who receives training for at least 50 percent of the specific program requirement. Trainees will be allowed to be transferred between projects if required by the Contractor's scheduled workload to meet training goals.

If a contractor fails to attain their training assignments for the calendar year, they may be taken off the NCDOT's Bidders List.

#### **Measurement and Payment**

No compensation will be made for providing required training in accordance with these contract documents.

# **APPENDIX**

#### WORK ZONE TRAFFIC CONTROL GUIDANCE FOR LITTER/DEBRIS REMOVAL

The Contractor performing Work Zone Traffic Control shall have a minimum of one (1) NCDOT Certified Work Zone Supervisor.

#### **GENERAL**

- Workers that are involved in litter/debris removal operations shall comply with the following:
  - Wear NCDOT approved safety vests for day time operations
- Litter/debris removal operations shall be confined within a maximum 5 mile stretch of roadway in a work period
- Conduct litter/debris removal operations behind lane closures at any location where workers and/or equipment are encroaching into the travel lanes. Lane closures shall be installed according to Roadway Standard Drawings 1101.02. Encroaching into travel lanes includes exiting and entering vehicles that are parked on shoulders.
- Use the following drawings to retrieve bagged litter/debris and any other materials after being collected by the workers.
- For operations where workers and equipment are confined to the shoulders, comply with the followings:

#### On Multilane Divided Facilities

- O A Truck Mounted Attenuator (TMA) shall be used to protect each group of workers removing litter/debris if the shoulder is wide enough to fit a TMA.
- o If a TMA is not used, a shoulder closure shall be installed
- A shoulder closure shall be installed in locations where the shoulder is too narrow to accommodate a TMA without encroaching into the traffic lane
- A shoulder closure or a TMA shall be used on the median side of the opposite direction if the following condition exists:
  - Where workers and/or equipment are within 15' from the adjacent travel lane in the opposite direction and are not protected from traffic in the opposite direction by any type of positive median protection such as concrete barrier, guardrail, or guiderail.
- Shoulder closures shall be installed according to Roadway Standard Drawing 1101.04

#### Two-Lane, Two-Way Facilities over 4000 ADT

- A shoulder closure shall be installed if workers are to be present more than one hour at any location.
- o If workers are to be present less than one hour, use portable advance warning signs (one in each direction) reading "LITTER PICKUP AHEAD".
- Shoulder closures shall be installed according to Roadway Standard Drawing 1101.04

# Two-Lane, Two-Way Facilities 4000 ADT or lower

Use portable advance warning signs (one in each direction) reading "LITTER PICKUP AHEAD". The sign should be located 500 feet ahead of the area where workers and or equipment will be present during the operation.

#### PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING EXCEPTIONS:

The moving caravan operation will NOT be required to be used while retrieving bagged litter/debris in areas where the Contractor's equipment is able traverse the shoulder without encroaching into the travel lanes.

The truck mounted attenuator (TMA) will NOT be required to be used while retrieving bagged litter/debris in areas where the Contractor's equipment is able traverse the shoulder without encroaching into the travel lanes.

If the vehicle the Contractor is using is wider than the width of the shoulder a moving caravan operation WILL be required if the Contractor elects to allow the vehicle to encroach into the travel.

The Contractor may elect to park the vehicle outside of these narrow areas and remove bags by hand in lieu of the moving caravan operation.

The truck mounted attenuator (TMA) will NOT be required to protect workers picking up litter/debris if the Contractor's operations are carried out in such a way that the workers are positioned individually along a roadway and not travelling in a concentrated group.

If a concentrated group of workers are gathered together in a formation to conduct clean up then they shall be protected by a TMA.

The shoulder closure will NOT be required unless equipment remains stationary for more than 5 minutes and/or a concentrated group of workers are within 15 feet of an open travel lane and the area is not protected by barrier or guardrail.

The lane closure will NOT be required unless equipment remains stationary for more than five minutes and/or a concentrated group of workers are within 10 feet of an open travel lane and the area is not protected by barrier or guardrail."

A concentrated group of workers is defined as three (3) or more workers within a 500' section and within fifteen (15) feet from a travel lane, measured along the edge of the roadway, of other workers.

#### **WORK ZONE SIGNING:**

All portable signs and stands must meet or exceed the requirements of the National Cooperative Highway Research Program Report 350 for Work Zone Category II Devices, and be listed on North Carolina's approved products list or accepted as traffic qualified by the Traffic Control Section. Use portable work zone signs and stands specifically designed for one another.

Refer to the following:

SSRS 1089 for material specification SSRS 1110 for construction specification

# RSD 1110 for clearance specification

The W10-10A shall be used for high volume primary and secondary routes. Its dimensions are 48" X 48". It shall be mounted at a minimum height of five (5) feet above the elevation of the outermost edge of travel. The sign shall read "LITTER PICKUP AHEAD", and should be relocated accordingly during the prosecution of work. Additional signs may be required by the Engineer at interchanges.

# Sign Detail for Litter/Debris Removal Vehicle

# DETAIL OF SIGN TO BE MOUNTED ON BACK OF ALL VEHICLES USED FOR LITTER/DEBRIS REMOVAL

DEBRIS PICK UP

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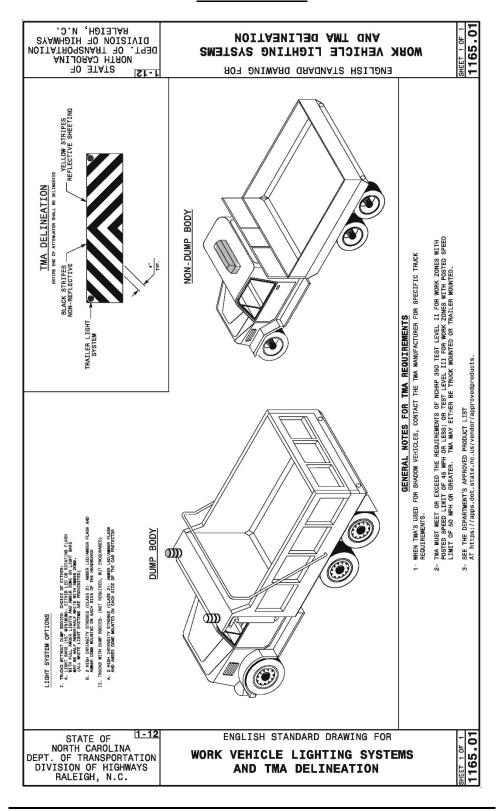
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# **Service Vehicles**



# **Typical Sections for Litter Pickup Operation**

# TYPICAL INTERCHANGE CONFIGURATIONS

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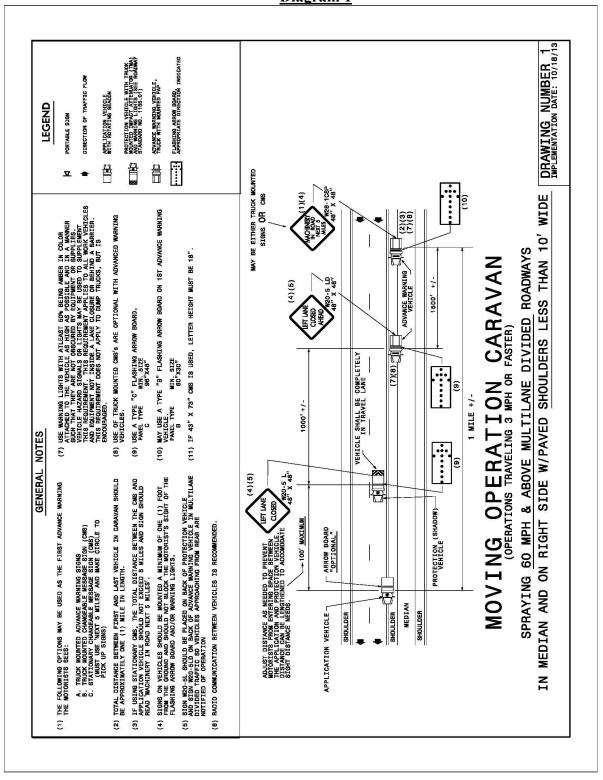
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• Litter removal includes all areas visible from the road



# **Litter Pickup Operation Diagrams**

# Diagram 1



# Diagram 2

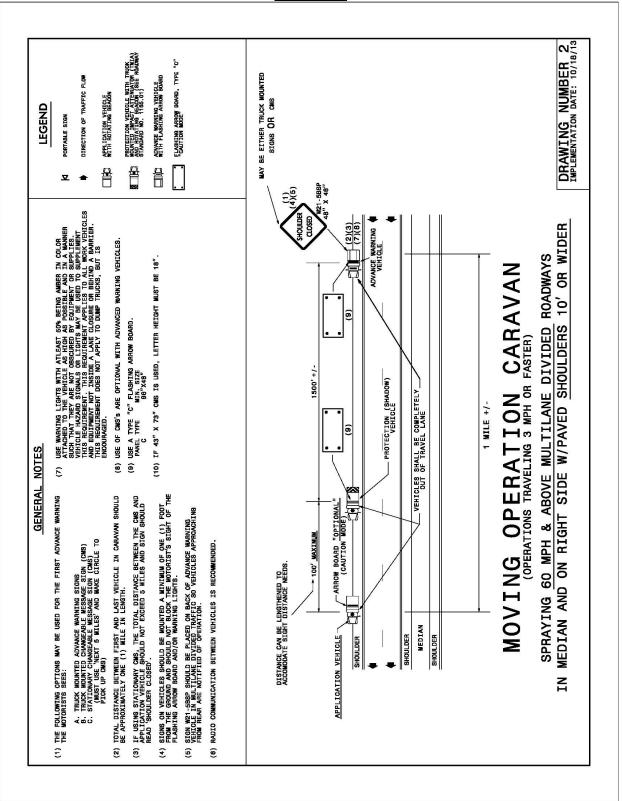


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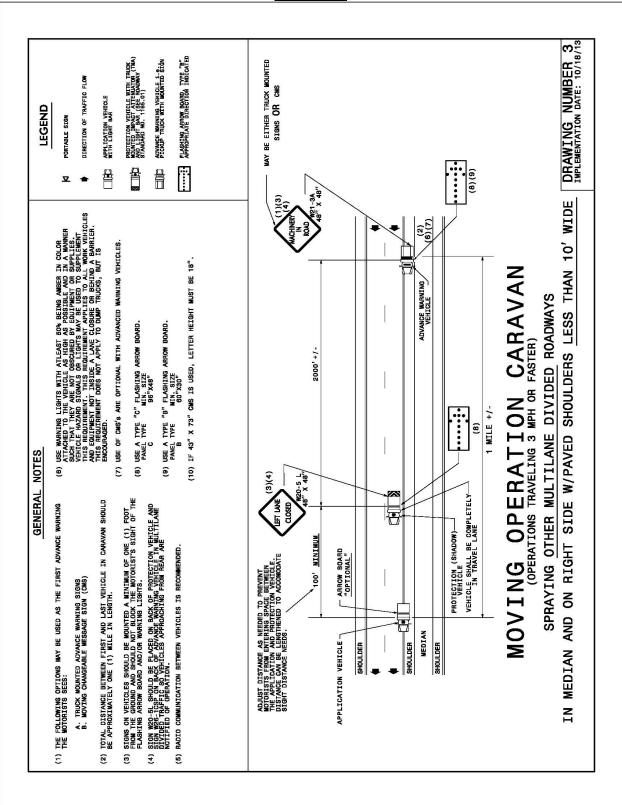
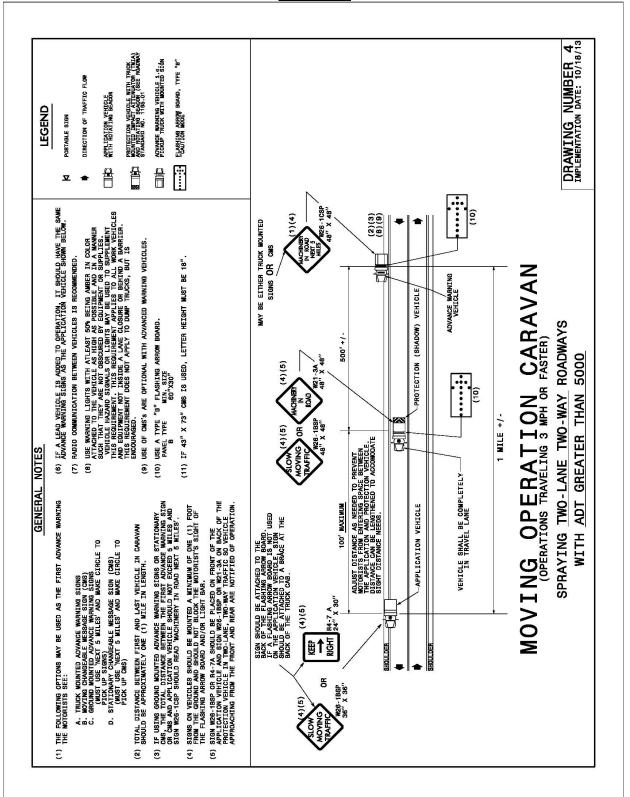
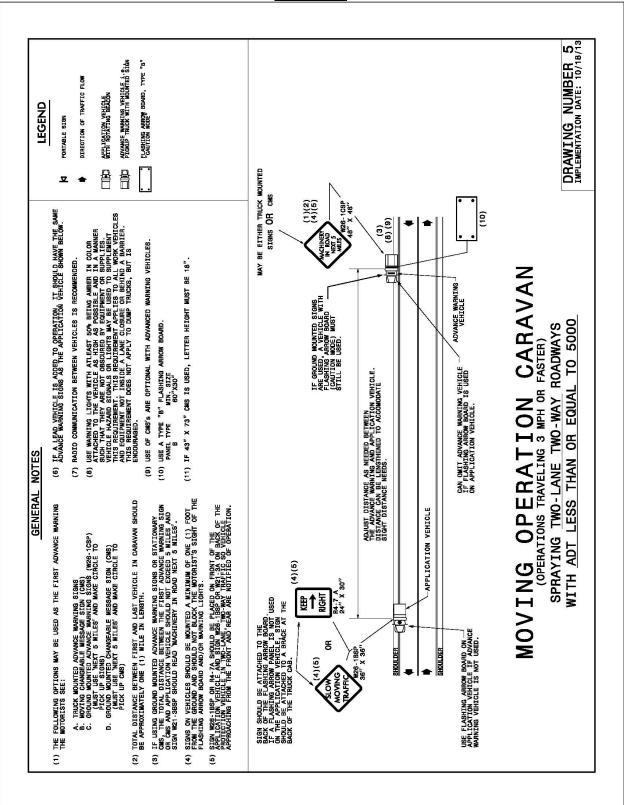


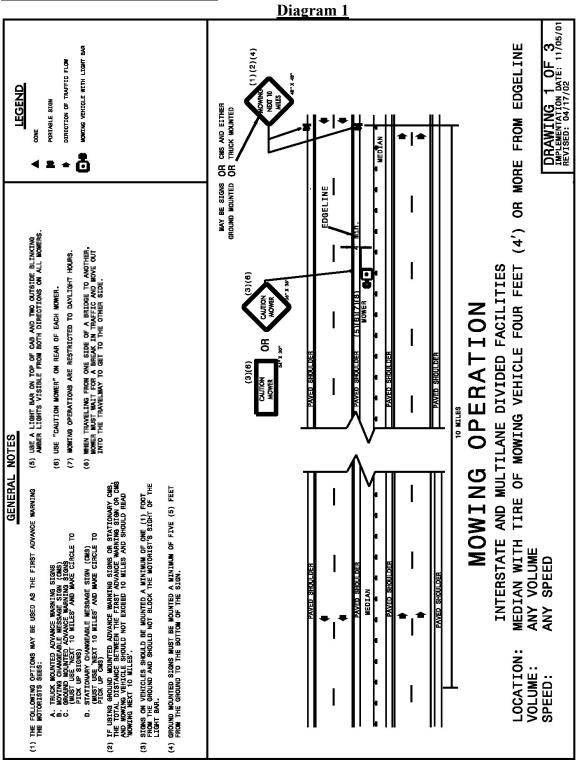
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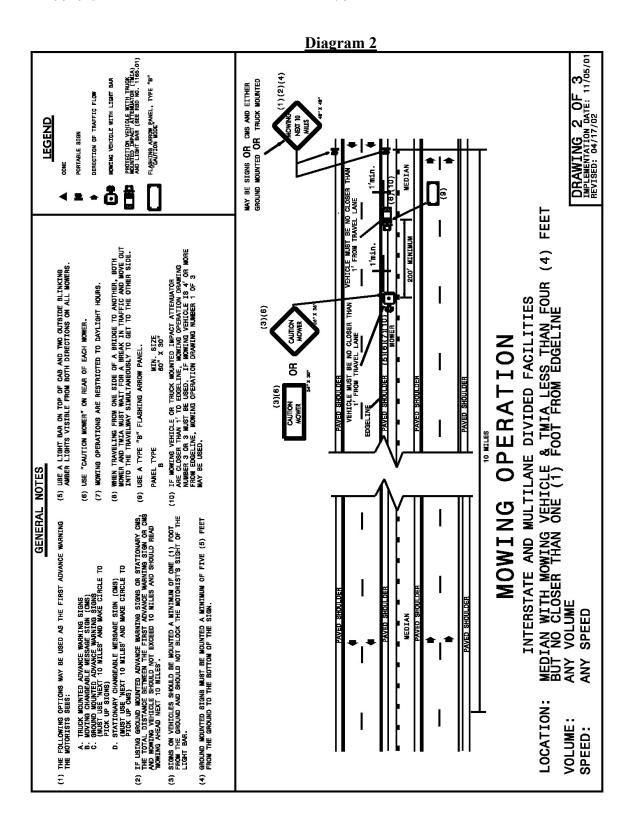


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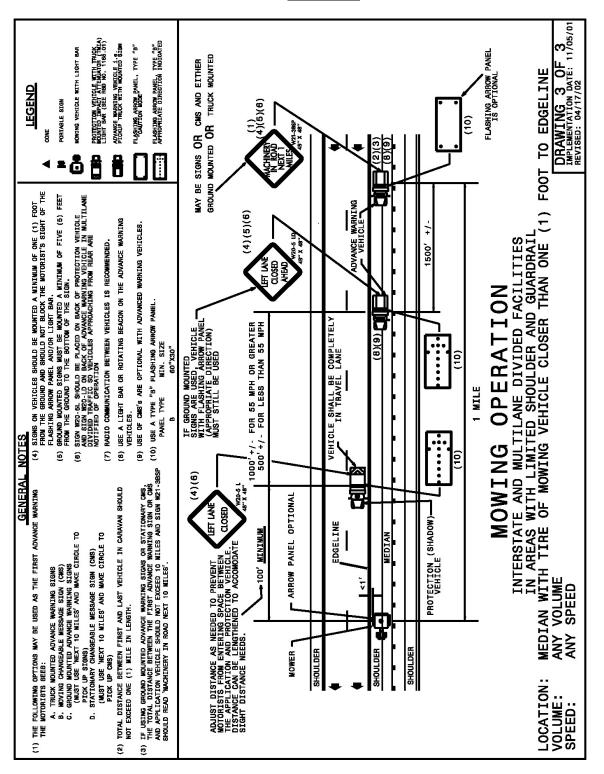


### **Multi-lane Operation Diagrams**





### Diagram 3



### LISTING OF MBE/WBE SUBCONTRACTORS

				Sheet	of
Firm Name and Address	Circle One	Item No.	Item Description	* Agreed upon Unit Price	** Dollar Volume of Item
Name	MBE				
Address	WBE				
Name	MBE				
Address	WBE				
Name	MBE				
Address	WBE				
Name	MBE				
Address	WBE				
Name	MBE				
Address	WBE				
Name	MBE				
Address	WBE				

<sup>\*</sup> The Dollar Volume shown in this column shall be the Actual Price Agreed Upon by the Prime Contractor and the MBE/WBE subcontractor, and these prices will be used to determine the percentage of the MBE/WBE participation in the contract.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Dollar Volume of MBE/WBE Subcontractor Percentage of Total Contract Bid Price:

If firm is a Material Supplier Only, show Dollar Volume as 60% of Agreed Upon Amount from Letter of Intent. If firm is a Manufacturer, show Dollar Volume as 100% of Agreed Upon Amount from Letter of Intent.

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				Sheet	<u>of</u>
Firm Name and Address	Circle One	Item No.	Item Description	* Agreed upon Unit Price	** Dollar Volume of Item
Name	MBE				
Address	WBE				
Name	MBE				
Address	WBE				
Name					
	MBE				
Address	WBE				
Name					
Tame	MBE				
Address	WBE				
Name					
Tume	MBE				
Address	WBE				
<u> </u>	I			I	<u> </u>
			** Dollar Volume of	MBE Subcontra	ctor \$
			MDE D		
			MBE Percentage of To	otal Contract Bio	d Price%
			** Dollar Volume of	WBE Subcontra	sector \$

WBE Percentage of Total Contract Bid Price \_\_\_\_\_\_%

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## NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION CONTRACT BID FORM

BID PROPOSAL NO.: 12062019 WBS ELEMENT NOS.: VARIOUS

**TOTAL BID FOR PROJECT:** 

COUNTIES: CARTERET AND CRAVEN IN DIVISION 2

TYPE OF WORK: LITTER/DEBRIS REMOVAL AND RECYCLING ON PRIMARY

**ROADS** 

LINE NO.	SEC NO.	ITEM DESCRIPTION	EST. QUANT.	UNIT	UNIT PRICE	AMOUNT BID
1	SP	Primary Divided Initial Pickup	162	SHM	\$	\$
2	SP	Primary Divided Routine Pickup	648	SHM	\$	\$
3	SP	Primary Undivided Initial Pickup	345	SHM	\$	\$
4	SP	Primary Undivided Routine Pickup	1380	SHM	\$	\$
5	SP	On Call Litter Pickup	200	SHM	\$	\$

CONTRACTOR INFORMATION	,
Company Name	
Contractor License Number:	
Address:	
Phone:	
Email Address:	
Name of individual authorized to answer questions concerning the information contained herein:  Name:	
Telephone Number(s):	
Email Address:	

### **EXECUTION OF BID**

### NON-COLLUSION, DEBARMENT AND GIFT BAN CERTIFICATION

### **CORPORATION**

The prequalified bidder, declares (or certifies, verifies, or states) under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States that neither he, nor any official, agent or employee has entered into any agreement, participated in any collusion, or otherwise taken any action which is in restraint of free competitive bidding in connection with any bid or contract, that the prequalified bidder has not been convicted of violating N.C.G.S. §133-24 within the last three years, and that the prequalified bidder intends to do the work with his own bona fide employees or subcontractors and will not bid for the benefit of another contractor.

By submitting this non-collusion, debarment and gift ban certification, the Contractor is attesting his status under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States in accordance with the Debarment Certification attached, provided that the Debarment Certification also includes any required statements concerning exceptions that are applicable.

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### SIGNATURE OF PREQUALIFIED BIDDER

	Full name o	f Corporation	on
		D 1'.C'	
	Address as	Prequalifie	d
Attest		By	
	Secretary/Assistant Secretary		President/Vice President/Assistant Vice President
	(Select appropriate title)		(Select appropriate title)
	Print or type Signer's name		Print or type Signer's name

**CORPORATE SEAL** 

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	Full Name of Partnership
	Address as
	Prequalified
Signature of Witness	Signature of Partner
Print or Type Signer's Name	Print or Type Signer's Name

### LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

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Fo	ull Name of Firm
Add	ress as Prequalified
Signature of Witness	Signature of Member/Manager/Authorized Agent (Select appropriate Title)

### **JOINT VENTURE (2) or (3)**

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### SIGNATURE OF PREQUALIFIED BIDDER

Instructions: **2 Joint Venturers** Fill in lines (1), (2) and (3) and execute. **3 Joint Venturers** Fill in lines (1), (2), (3) and (4) and execute. On Line (1), fill in the name of the Joint Venture Company. On Line (2), fill in the name of one of the joint venturers and execute below in the appropriate manner. On Line (3), print or type the name of the other joint venturer and execute below in the appropriate manner. On Line (4), fill in the name of the third joint venturer, if applicable and execute below in the appropriate manner.

	Name of Joint Venture	
	Name of Contractor	
Addr	ess as Prequalified	
Signature of Witness or Attest	BY	Signature of Contractor
Signature of Williams of Files		Signature of Communication
Print or Type Signer's Name		Print or Type Signer's Name
If Corporation, affix Corporate Seal	AND	
	Name of Contractor	
Addr	ess as Prequalified	
G. CWY	BY	
Signature of Witness or Attest		Signature of Contractor
Print or Type Signer's Name		Print or Type Signer's Name
If Corporation, affix Corporate Seal	AND	
	Name of Contractor	
Addr	ess as Prequalified	
C. CW.	BY	6:
Signature of Witness or Attest		Signature of Contractor
Print or Type Signer's Name		Print or Type Signer's Name
If Corporation, affix Corporate Seal		

### INDIVIDUAL DOING BUSINESS UNDER A FIRM NAME

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Name of Prequalified Bidder	Individual Name
Trading and Doing Business As	Full name of Firm
Addr	ress as Prequalified
Signature of Witness	Signature of Prequalified Bidder, Individual
Print or Type Signer's Name	Print or Type Signer's Name

### INDIVIDUAL DOING BUSINESS IN HIS OWN NAME

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Name of Prequalified Bidder	
	Print or Type Name
	••
	dress as Prequalified
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	Signature of Prequalified Bidder, Individually
	Print or type Signer's Name
C' (W')	
Signature of Witness	
Print or type Signer's name	

### **DEBARMENT CERTIFICATION**

### Conditions for certification:

- 1. The prequalified bidder shall provide immediate written notice to the Department if at any time the bidder learns that his certification was erroneous when he submitted his debarment certification or explanation filed with the Department, or has become erroneous because of changed circumstances.
- 2. The terms covered transaction, debarred, suspended, ineligible, lower tier covered transaction, participant, person, primary covered transaction, principal, proposal, and voluntarily excluded, as used in this provision, have the meanings set out in the Definitions and Coverage sections of the rules implementing Executive Order 12549. A copy of the Federal Rules requiring this certification and detailing the definitions and coverages may be obtained from the Contract Officer of the Department.
- 3. The prequalified bidder agrees by submitting this form, that he will not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in NCDOT contracts, unless authorized by the Department.
- 4. For Federal Aid projects, the prequalified bidder further agrees that by submitting this form he will include the Federal-Aid Provision titled *Required Contract Provisions Federal-Aid Construction Contract (Form FHWA PR 1273)* provided by the Department, without subsequent modification, in all lower tier covered transactions.
- 5. The prequalified bidder may rely upon a certification of a participant in a lower tier covered transaction that he is not debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless he knows that the certification is erroneous. The bidder may decide the method and frequency by which he will determine the eligibility of his subcontractors.
- 6. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this provision. The knowledge and information of a participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.
- 7. Except as authorized in paragraph 6 herein, the Department may terminate any contract if the bidder knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available by the Federal Government.

### DEBARMENT CERTIFICATION

The prequalified bidder certifies to the best of his knowledge and belief, that he and his principals:

- a. Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any Federal department or agency;
- b. Have not within a three-year period preceding this proposal been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records; making false statements; or receiving stolen property;
- c. Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph b. of this certification; and
- d. Have not within a three-year period preceding this proposal had one or more public transactions (Federal, State or local) terminated for cause or default.
- e. Will submit a revised Debarment Certification immediately if his status changes and will show in his bid proposal an explanation for the change in status.

If the prequalified bidder cannot certify that he is not debarred, he shall provide an explanation with this submittal. An explanation will not necessarily result in denial of participation in a contract.

Failure to submit a non-collusion and debarment certification will result in the prequalified bidder's bid being considered non-responsive.

Check here if an explanation is attached to this certification.
<u> </u>
Continuation.

## **Execution of Contract**

Contract No: 12062019
County: Carteret and Craven Counties
ACCEPTED BY THE DEPARTMENT
Proposals Engineer
Date
EXECUTION OF CONTRACT AND BONDS APPROVED AS TO FORM:
<b>Deputy Division Engineer</b>
Date

Signature Sheet (Bid) - ACCEPTANCE SHEET

# Craven-Carteret 2 Lane Litter Routes

Route Number	County	Route	Beginning of Route	End of Route	SHM Per Cycle	Cycles Per Year	SHM Per Year	Remarks
				2 Lane Undivided Routes				
1	Craven	NC 43	US 17 Bus	Pitt	14.72	2	73.60	2 lane section
2	Craven	US 17 Bus	US 17	US 17	8:38	2	41.90	2 lane section
<b>*</b>	Craven	US 17	SR 1433 + 0.200 mile	Beaufort County	36.32	2	181.61	2 lane section
*4	Craven	NC 55	Pamlico County	US 17	5.30	2	26.50	Multi-lane
*5	Craven	NC 101	Carteret County	US 70	19.16	5	95.80	2 lane section
9*	Craven	NC 306	NC 101	Ferry Landing	8.64	5	43.20	2 lane section
<b>L</b> *	Carteret	NC 101	07 SU	Craven County	25.26	2	126.30	2 lane section
<b>%</b>	Carteret	NC 58	Bridge	Jones County	20.36	2	101.80	2 lane section
6*	Carteret	NC 70	End of US 70 Divided	NC 24	1.16	2	5.80	Multi-lane
*10	Carteret	US 70	SR 1300	NC 12	41.00	5	205.00	2 lane section
*11	Carteret	US 70	SR 1493	SR 1300	2.60	2	28.00	2 lane section
*12	Carteret	NC 12	US 70	To Ferry	24.00	2	120.00	2 lane section
13	Carteret	NC 24	NS 70	SR 1113	32.40	5	162.00	Multi-lane
*14	Carteret	US 70	NC 12	End @ Atlantic	7.84	5	39.20	2 lane section
*15	Carteret	US 70	Between 2 High Rise Bridges (	Causeway	09:0	5	3.00	2 lane section
				Total 2 Lane	250.74		1253.71	

Total SHM	92.52	158.22
2 Lane	Craven	Carteret

# **Craven-Carteret 4 Lane Litter Routes**

Route Number	County	Route	Beginning of Route	End of Route	SHM Per Cycle	Cycles SHM Per Year	SHM Per Year	Remarks
				4 Lane Divided Routes				
*16a	Craven	US 70	Trent River Bridge	SR 1133	3.60	2	18.00	4 lane divided
*16b	Craven	US 70	SR 1133	SR 1113	22.00	2	110.00	4 lane divided
*16c	Craven	US 70	SR 1113	SR 1176	20.20	2	101.00	4 lane divided
*16d	Craven	US 70	SR 1176	SR 1760	8.40	5	42.00	4 lane divided
*16e	Craven	US 70	SR 1760	Slocum Creek Bridge #16	11.60	5	58.00	4 lane divided
*16f	Craven	US 70	Slocum Creek Bridge #16	SR 1824	12.00	2	00.09	4 lane divided
*16g	Craven	US 70	SR 1824	Carteret County Line	4.00	5	20.00	4 lane divided
*17	Craven	US 17	SR 1004 + 1.867 mile	SR 1433 + 0.200 mile	17.44	2	87.20	4 lane divided
18	Craven	US 17 Bus	Jones County	SR 1214	18.48	2	92.40	4 lane divided
*19	Carteret US 70	US 70	Craven County	End of Divided Hwy	38.64	2	193.20	4 lane divided
*20	Carteret US 70	US 70	West End Sound Wall	SR 1493	4.00	2	20.00	4 lane divided

4 Lane Total SHM
Craven 117.72
Carteret 43.84

4 lane divided

6.00

2

1.20 **161.56** 

**Total 4 Lane** 

Between 2 High Rise Bridges | Causeway

Carteret US 70

\*21

\*16a thru \*16g is broke down into sections due to Construction. The Inspector will direct which of these sections will need to be completed each cycle.

\*16b, 16d, and 16g needs to be put on hold for Mowing and Litter Pickup due to construction until further notice.

## **Craven 2 Lane Litter Routes**

Remarks	
Cycle Per Year	
SHM Per Cycle	
End of Route	
Beginning of Route	
Route	
County	
Route Number	

	375.04	93.76	Total 2 Lane 93.76				
2 Lane Section	2	16.80	Hwy 55	US 17 (Ernul)	NC 43	Craven NC 43	25
2 Lane Section	2	0.62	Jones County	US 70	NC 41	Craven NC 41	24
2 Lane Section	2	21.20	NC 43	Pitt County	Craven NC 118	Craven	23
2 Lane Section	2	55.14	NC 43	Lenoir County	NC 55	Craven NC 55	22
			2 Lane Primary Routes	2			

Total SHM	93.76
2 Lane	Craven