

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
HIGHWAY DIVISION 3

# PROPOSAL

**DATE AND TIME OF BID OPENING:** OCTOBER 5, 2017 AT 2:00 PM

**CONTRACT ID:** D3POC0057

**WBS ELEMENT NO.:** 3.106715 & 3.206715

**FEDERAL AID NO.:** N/A

**COUNTY:** Onslow County

**TIP NO.:** N/A

**MILES:** Various MILES

**ROUTE NO.:** Various

**LOCATION:** Various Routes in Onslow County

**TYPE OF WORK:** Long Arm Mowing on Various Routes (Primary, Secondary Paved, & Secondary Unpaved) in Onslow County

**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.

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NAME OF BIDDER

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ADDRESS OF BIDDER

PROPOSAL FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF  
CONTRACT No. D3POC0057 IN ONSLOW COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

Date: OCTOBER 5, 2017

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION,  
RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA

The Bidder has carefully examined the location of the proposed work to be known as Contract No. **D3POC0057**; 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 2012 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. **D3POC0057** in **Onslow County**, 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 2012* 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.

Accompanying this bid is a bid bond secured by a corporate surety, or certified check payable to the order of the Department of Transportation, for five percent of the total bid price, which deposit is to be forfeited as liquidated damages in case this bid is accepted and the Bidder shall fail to provide the required payment and performance bonds with the Department of Transportation, under the condition of this proposal, within 14 calendar days after the written notice of award is received by him, as provided in the Standard Specifications; otherwise said deposit will be returned to the Bidder.

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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.**

**ELECTRONIC BID PREPARATION WITH MANUAL DELIVERY:**

1. Download the entire proposal and EBS file from the Connect NCDOT website and return the entire proposal with your bid.

2. Expedite software necessary for electronic bid preparation may be downloaded from the Connect NCDOT website at: <https://connect.ncdot.gov/letting/Pages/EBS-Information.aspx>
3. Bid shall be prepared in Expedite, printed, signed and placed in paper proposal. The EBS file should be saved to a CD and submitted with signed paper proposal.
4. 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.
5. Changes to any entry shall be made to the EBS file, reprinted, signed and placed in the paper proposal. The corrected file shall be saved to a CD and submitted with signed paper proposal.
6. The bid shall be properly executed on the included **Execution of Bid – Non-collusion Affidavit, Debarment Certification 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 shall 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.
  - d. Completed attestation by Notary Public

**Note: Signer, Witness and Notary Public must be different individuals.**
7. The bid shall not contain any unauthorized additions, deletions, or conditional bids.
8. 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.
9. **THE PROPOSAL WITH THE ITEMIZED PROPOSAL SHEET ATTACHED AND EBS FILE SHALL BE PLACED IN A SEALED ENVELOPE AND SHALL BE DELIVERED TO AND RECEIVED IN THE NCDOT DIVISION OFFICE, LOCATED AT 5501 BARBADOS BLVD, CASTLE HAYNE, NC 28429 BY 2:00 PM ON, OCTOBER 5, 2017.**
10. The sealed bid must display the following statement on the front of the sealed envelope:

**QUOTATION FOR – D3POC0057 TO BE OPENED AT 2:00 PM ON, OCTOBER 5, 2017.**

11. 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: LLOYD G. ROYALL, JR., PLS  
5501 BARBADOS BLVD  
CASTLE HAYNE, NC 28429**

**ELECTRONIC ON-LINE BID THRU BID EXPRESS:**

1. Download entire proposal from Connect NCDOT website. Download EBS file from Connect NCDOT or Bid Express websites.
2. Prepare and submit EBS file using Expedite software.
3. Expedite software necessary for electronic bid preparation may be downloaded from the Connect NCDOT website at: <https://connect.ncdot.gov/letting/Pages/EBS-Information.aspx>

**PROJECT SPECIAL PROVISIONS**

**GENERAL**

**ELECTRONIC BIDDING (Division Contracts):**

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The bidder has the option to prepare and submit bids by one of two methods; electronically using the on-line system Bid Express®, or electronic bid preparation with manual delivery. All bids shall be prepared and

submitted in accordance with the following requirements. Failure to comply will cause the bid to be considered non-responsive and will not be considered for award.

(A) Electronic On-Line Bids thru Bid Express®

For preparing and submitting the bid electronically using the on-line system Bid Express®, refer to Article 102-8(B) of the *2012 Standard Specifications*.

Bidders that bid electronically on Raleigh Central-Let projects will need a separate Digital Signature from Bid Express® for Division Contracts.

(B) Electronic Bid Preparation with Manual Delivery

For electronic bid preparation with manual delivery, the bidder shall download the Expedite program from the NCDOT "Project Letting" website and download the appropriate .ebs electronic file of line items and quantities unique to each project from the Division Office's website. The only entries into the program which will be permitted by the bidder are the applicable unit or lump sum prices for those items which must be bid in order to provide a complete bid for the project, and any MBE/WBE or DBE participation in the appropriate section of the Expedite program. The computer generated itemized proposal sheets shall be printed and signed by a duly authorized representative in accordance with Subarticle 102-8(A)(8) of the *2012 Standard Specifications*. The computer generated itemized proposal sheets (.ebs bid file) shall also be copied to an external device (i.e. CD) furnished by the bidder and shall be submitted to the Department with the bid. This set of itemized proposal sheets, MBE/WBE or DBE information, external device and the correct proposal, will constitute the bid and shall be delivered to the contracting Division Office or location specified in the INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS. If the bidder submits their bid on computer generated itemized proposal sheets, bid prices shall not be written on the itemized proposal sheets bound in the proposal.

In the case of discrepancy between the unit or lump sum prices submitted on the itemized proposal sheets and those contained on the CD furnished by the bidder, the unit or lump sum prices submitted on the printed and signed itemized proposal sheets shall prevail. Changes to any entry on the computer generated itemized proposal sheets shall be made in accordance with the requirements of the INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS.

### **PREQUALIFICATION TO BID ON POC'S**

Beginning **July 1, 2009**, any firm that wishes to perform work on Division Purchase Order Contracts as either the prime contractor or as a subcontractor on the project must be prequalified for the type of work they wish to perform. Firms that wish to bid on these projects as the prime contractor must be prequalified prior to submitting a bid. Firms that wish to perform as a subcontractor to the prime contractor must be prequalified prior to beginning work on the project.

For the purposes of prequalification, any firm that is currently prequalified as a prime or a subcontractor on central let projects for the appropriate work codes is considered eligible to work and/or bid on Purchase Order Contracts as long as other items such as bonding and license requirements for the contract are met.

Information regarding the requirements to become prequalified as a Purchase Order Contract contractor, including the application to become prequalified if you are not already prequalified, can be found at the following website: <http://www.ncdot.org/business/howtogetstarted/>

**MANDATORY PRE-BID CONFERENCE**

Prospective bidders must attend the mandatory pre-bid conference on **SEPTEMBER 26, 2017, at 10:00 AM**. It will be held in the NCDOT Division 3 Traffic Services Conference room, located at 5504 Barbados Blvd. Castle Hayne, North Carolina 28429. The scope of the project will be discussed and bidders will be given the opportunity to ask any questions they may have. No questions concerning the project will be answered by any Department personnel at any time except at the pre-bid conference. Attendance at the Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference is required in order for your bid to be considered.

**Early arrival is strongly recommended, as latecomers will not be admitted and therefore not eligible to bid on this project.**

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Long-Arm Mowing along Primary & Secondary Routes in Onslow County.

**BOND REQUIREMENTS – No Bonds Required**

(06-01-16)

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The provisions of Articles 102-10 and 103-7 of the 2012 Standard Specifications for Roads and Structures are waived for this project. No bonds required.

**CONTRACT TIME AND LIQUIDATED DAMAGES YEAR 1:**

(7-20-99) (Rev. 12-18-07)

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The date of availability for this contract is **November 1, 2017**.

The completion date for this contract is **October 31, 2018**.

**RENEWAL 1-2<sup>ND</sup> YEAR CONTRACT TIME AND LIQUIDATED DAMAGES:**

The date of availability for this contract is **November 1, 2018**.

The completion date for this contract is **October 31, 2019**.

**RENEWAL 2-3<sup>RD</sup> YEAR CONTRACT TIME AND LIQUIDATED DAMAGES:**

The date of availability for this contract is **November 1, 2019**.

The completion date for this contract is **October 31, 2020**.

At its discretion, NCDOT may offer extension of the contract for an additional term up to a maximum of three total terms (original term and two renewals).

The Engineer will notify the Contractor in writing by August 1<sup>st</sup> of each available term if the contract may be extended or not extended. The Engineer must receive a signed response from the Contractor within two calendar weeks of the date of the offer letter. Failure by the Contractor to reply may be received as a rejection of contract extension.

Except where otherwise provided by the contract, observation periods required by the contract will not be a part of the work to be completed by the completion date and/or intermediate contract times stated in the



contract. The acceptable completion of the observation periods that extend beyond the final completion date shall be a part of the work covered by the performance and payment bonds.

**For each contract renewal, each unit bid item will be adjusted by 3%. No changes in the terms, conditions, etc. of this contract will be made when an extension to the contract is implemented, notwithstanding necessary adjustments to cycles and mileage quantities as permitted by the terms of the contract.**

Except where otherwise provided by the contract, observation periods required by the contract will not be a part of the work to be completed by the completion date and/or intermediate contract times stated in the contract. The acceptable completion of the observation periods that extend beyond the final completion date shall be a part of the work covered by the performance and payment bonds.

**Liquidated damages for this contract are in the amount of Two Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) per calendar day.**

**INTERMEDIATE CONTRACT TIME NUMBER 1 AND LIQUIDATED DAMAGES YEAR 1:**

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The Contractor shall not perform any work on this contract during the following time restrictions:

**DAY AND TIME RESTRICTIONS FOR ALL RENEWALS**

**All work on this contract must be accomplished during daylight hours. No night work is permitted.  
No work permitted on Sundays.**

The Contractor shall not perform any work on this contract on or during holidays or holiday weekends, including the following schedules:

**HOLIDAY AND HOLIDAY WEEKEND WORK RESTRICTIONS APPLY FOR ALL RENEWALS**

1. For **unexpected occurrence** that creates unusually high traffic volumes, as directed by the Engineer.
2. For **Christmas and New Year's Day**, between the hours of **3:00 p.m.** the Thursday before the week of Christmas and **8:30 a.m.** January 2<sup>nd</sup>. 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 Day**, between the hours of **3:00 p.m.** the day before and **8:30 a.m.** the day after.
4. For **Easter**, between the hours of **3:00 p.m.** Thursday and **8:30 a.m.** Monday.
5. For **Memorial Day**, between the hours of **3:00 p.m.** Friday and **8:30 a.m.** Tuesday.
6. For **Independence Day**, between the hours of **3:00 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 **3:00 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 **3:00 p.m.** Friday and **8:30 a.m.** Tuesday.
8. For **Veterans Day**, between the hours of **3:00 p.m.** the day before Veterans Day and **8:30 a.m.** the day after Veterans Day.
9. For **Thanksgiving Day**, between the hours of **3:00 p.m.** the Tuesday before Thanksgiving Day and **8:30 a.m.** the Tuesday after Thanksgiving Day.

Holidays and holiday weekends shall include New Year's, Martin Luther King Day, Easter, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Veterans Day, Thanksgiving, and Christmas. The Contractor shall schedule his work so no work is required during these periods, unless otherwise directed by the Engineer.

The time of availability for this intermediate contract work shall be the time the Contractor begins work on this contract according to the time restrictions listed herein.

The completion time for this intermediate contract work shall be the time the Contractor is required to complete work on this contract according to the time restrictions stated above.

The liquidated damages are **Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00)** per hour.

The Contractor shall complete the work required of ICT 2 as shown on the attached map section 1 and shall place and maintain traffic on same.

The date of availability for this intermediate contract time is **November 1, 2017**.

The completion date for this intermediate contract time is **December 22, 2017**.

The liquidated damages are **Five Hundred Dollars (\$ 500.00)** per calendar day.

The Contractor shall complete the work required of ICT 3 as shown on the attached map section 2 and shall place and maintain traffic on same.

The date of availability for this intermediate contract time is **January 2, 2018**.

The completion date for this intermediate contract time is **March 13, 2018**.

The liquidated damages are **Five Hundred Dollars (\$ 500.00)** per calendar day.

The Contractor shall complete the work required of ICT 4 as shown on the attached map section 3 and shall place and maintain traffic on same.

The date of availability for this intermediate contract time is **March 14, 2018**.

The completion date for this intermediate contract time is **May 23, 2018**.

The liquidated damages are **Five Hundred Dollars (\$ 500.00)** per calendar day.

The Contractor shall complete the work required of ICT **5** as shown on the attached map section **4** and shall place and maintain traffic on same.

The date of availability for this intermediate contract time is **May 24, 2018**.

The completion date for this intermediate contract time is **August 2, 2018**.

The liquidated damages are **Five Hundred Dollars (\$ 500.00)** per calendar day.

The Contractor shall complete the work required of ICT **6** as shown on the attached map section **5** and shall place and maintain traffic on same.

The date of availability for this intermediate contract time is **August 3, 2018**.

The completion date for this intermediate contract time is **October 31, 2018**.

The liquidated damages are **Five Hundred Dollars (\$ 500.00)** per calendar day.

### **RENEWAL 1 (2<sup>ND</sup> YEAR)**

The Contractor shall complete the work required of ICT **2** as shown on the attached map section **1** and shall place and maintain traffic on same.

The date of availability for this intermediate contract time is **November 1, 2018**.

The completion date for this intermediate contract time is **December 21, 2018**.

The liquidated damages are **Five Hundred Dollars (\$ 500.00)** per calendar day.

The Contractor shall complete the work required of ICT **3** as shown on the attached map section **2** and shall place and maintain traffic on same.

The date of availability for this intermediate contract time is **January 2, 2019**.

The completion date for this intermediate contract time is **March 13, 2019**.

The liquidated damages are **Five Hundred Dollars (\$ 500.00)** per calendar day.

The Contractor shall complete the work required of ICT 4 as shown on the attached map section 3 and shall place and maintain traffic on same.

The date of availability for this intermediate contract time is **March 14, 2019**.

The completion date for this intermediate contract time is **May 23, 2019**.

The liquidated damages are **Five Hundred Dollars (\$ 500.00)** per calendar day.

The Contractor shall complete the work required of ICT 5 as shown on the attached map section 4 and shall place and maintain traffic on same.

The date of availability for this intermediate contract time is **May 24, 2019**.

The completion date for this intermediate contract time is **August 2, 2019**.

The liquidated damages are **Five Hundred Dollars (\$ 500.00)** per calendar day.

The Contractor shall complete the work required of ICT 6 as shown on the attached map section 5 and shall place and maintain traffic on same.

The date of availability for this intermediate contract time is **August 3, 2019**.

The completion date for this intermediate contract time is **October 31, 2019**.

The liquidated damages are **Five Hundred Dollars (\$ 500.00)** per calendar day.

### **RENEWAL 2 (3<sup>rd</sup> YEAR)**

The Contractor shall complete the work required of ICT 2 as shown on the attached map section 1 and shall place and maintain traffic on same.

The date of availability for this intermediate contract time is **November 1, 2019**.

The completion date for this intermediate contract time is **December 20, 2019**.

The liquidated damages are **Five Hundred Dollars (\$ 500.00)** per calendar day.

The Contractor shall complete the work required of ICT 3 as shown on the attached map section 2 and shall place and maintain traffic on same.

The date of availability for this intermediate contract time is **January 2, 2020**.

The completion date for this intermediate contract time is **March 12, 2020**.

The liquidated damages are **Five Hundred Dollars (\$ 500.00)** per calendar day.

The Contractor shall complete the work required of ICT 4 as shown on the attached map section 3 and shall place and maintain traffic on same.

The date of availability for this intermediate contract time is **March 13, 2020**.

The completion date for this intermediate contract time is **May 22, 2020**.

The liquidated damages are **Five Hundred Dollars (\$ 500.00)** per calendar day.

The Contractor shall complete the work required of ICT 5 as shown on the attached map section 4 and shall place and maintain traffic on same.

The date of availability for this intermediate contract time is **May 23, 2020**.

The completion date for this intermediate contract time is **August 1, 2020**.

The liquidated damages are **Five Hundred Dollars (\$ 500.00)** per calendar day.

The Contractor shall complete the work required of ICT 6 as shown on the attached map section 5 and shall place and maintain traffic on same.

The date of availability for this intermediate contract time is **August 3, 2020**.

The completion date for this intermediate contract time is **October 31, 2020**.

The liquidated damages are **Five Hundred Dollars (\$ 500.00)** per calendar day.

#### **GLOBAL POSITIONING SYSTEM (GPS):**

#### **EQUIPMENT**

The Contractor shall provide the following types of equipment:

- A minimum of 2 Tractors with operators, equipped with a GPS with a monitoring software subscription; however all tractors to be used shall have a working GPS with a monitoring software subscription.
- A minimum of one (1) vehicle, with a supervisor, equipped with a GPS with a monitoring software subscription. **The supervisor shall also have a tablet or iPad with access to the internet for the purpose of monitoring and tracking the locations of their tractors.**

All tractors provided by the Contractor shall be equipped with permanent mounted GPS Devices **such as the Motorola Locator 2000 or equivalent model**. The GPS units must be accompanied with an annual monitoring subscription that will begin and cover the period between November 1<sup>st</sup> and October 31<sup>th</sup> of each year. The GPS unit and monitoring subscription must demonstrate the following capabilities:

- Generate reports in a spreadsheet format
- Generate mapping
- Report every 30 sec.
- Turn-by-turn tracking
- Internet monitoring with NCDOT management access
- Ability to track vehicle operating speed
- Ability to know when blades have been turned on
- Tampering alert notification
- Operate during extreme temperatures
- Battery backup system

### **OUTFITTING FEE (GPS)**

The Outfitting Fee for the GPS units will be paid in one payment to the Contractor in the amount of **One Hundred percent (100%)** of the unit bid price on the first year of the contract.

Payments for these items will be made upon satisfactory inspection, and the completion of all scheduled training sessions and dry runs established by the Engineer. The GPS units with monitoring software and **tablet or iPad** will be inspected and approved by the Engineer during the scheduled dry run(s). The Engineer will also periodically inspect all equipment provided. If, at any time, the Engineer finds that the equipment is not satisfactory, or has not been maintained in operating condition, the Contractor will repair or replace the unsatisfactory equipment at the Contractor's cost. If the Contractor does not repair or replace the equipment within a two (2) day period, this shall constitute grounds for termination of the contract and the Contractor may be invoiced for a portion of, or all, outfitting fees paid for said equipment. All equipment covered by this pay item will remain the property of the Contractor upon the expiration or termination of the contract. Costs associated with the maintenance and repair of the equipment and appurtenances shall be considered incidental to the operating costs of the equipment.

### **GPS MONITORING SOFTWARE SUBSCRIPTION**

A fee will be paid for the GPS monitoring software subscription. The unit bid price will cover service from November 1<sup>st</sup> through October 31<sup>th</sup> of each of the optional, renewable maximum three (3) year terms of the contract. If, at any time, the Engineer finds that the monitoring software subscription does not satisfactorily meet the requirements set forth in this contract, or is not in operation for the specified time frame, the Contractor will update or renew the GPS monitoring software system at the Contractor's expense. If the Contractor does not update or renew the monitoring software system within a two (2) day period, this shall constitute grounds for termination of the contract and the Contractor may be invoiced for a portion of, or all, subscription fees paid for said monitoring software. All software covered by this pay item will remain the property of the Contractor upon the expiration or termination of the contract. Costs associated with the updating of the monitoring software shall be considered incidental to the operating costs of the equipment.

The Contractor shall be charged **Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00)** per work-day for not repairing or replacing a non-operational GPS unit or non-operational tractor with an operational GPS Unit within the two (2) day period beginning the third day and continuing until the unit is operational.

### **SAFETY VEST**

All Contractor's personnel, all subcontractors and their personnel, and any material suppliers and their personnel, must wear an OSHA approved reflective vest or outer garment at all times while on the project.

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

### **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 *2012 Standard Specifications*).

### **SUBSURFACE INFORMATION:**

(7-1-95)

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There is **no** subsurface information available on this project. The Contractor shall make his own investigation of subsurface conditions.

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

(10-16-07)(Rev. 1-17-17)

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### **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 not be used to meet either the MBE or WBE goal. No submittal of a Letter of Intent is required.

*Committed MBE/WBE Subcontractor* - Any MBE/WBE submitted at the time of bid that is being used to meet either the MBE or 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 Goals Requirement* - The approved MBE and WBE participation at time of award, but not greater than the advertised contract goals for each.

*Goal Confirmation Letter* - Written documentation from the Department to the bidder confirming the Contractor's approved, committed MBE and WBE 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 Goal* - A portion of the total contract, expressed as a percentage, that is 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.

*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 Goal* - A portion of the total contract, expressed as a percentage, that is 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 amount 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 this MBE and WBE goals. This form is for paper bids only.

[http://connect.ncdot.gov/municipalities/Bid%20Proposals%20for%20LGA%20Content/09%20MBE-WBE%20Subcontractors%20\(State\).docx](http://connect.ncdot.gov/municipalities/Bid%20Proposals%20for%20LGA%20Content/09%20MBE-WBE%20Subcontractors%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>

## **MBE and WBE Goal**

The following goals for participation by Minority Business Enterprises and Women Business Enterprises are established for this contract:

(A) Minority Business Enterprises **[number to the nearest tenth] %**

- (1) *If the MBE goal 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 as the MBE goal.
- (2) *If the MBE goal 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 [number to the nearest tenth] %

- (1) *If the WBE goal 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 as the WBE goal.
- (2) *If the WBE goal 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.

**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 MBE and WBE goals respectively. The Directory can be found at the following link. [https:// www.ebs.nc.gov/VendorDirectory/default.html](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 all MBE and WBE participation that they anticipate to use during the life of the contract. Only those identified to meet the MBE goal and the 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 submitted at the time of bid will be used toward 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) *If either the MBE or WBE goal is more than zero*,

- (1) 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.
- (2) 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.
- (3) 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 corresponding goal.

- (B) *If either the MBE or 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 MBE and WBE goals, the firm is responsible for meeting the goals or making good faith efforts to meet the goals, just like any other bidder. In most cases, a MBE or WBE bidder on a contract will meet one of the goals 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.

For example, on a proposed contract, the WBE goal is 10%, and the MBE goal is 8%. A WBE bidder puts in a bid where they will perform 40% of the contract work and have a WBE subcontractor which will perform another 5% of the work. Together the two WBE firms submit on the *Listing of MBE and WBE Subcontractors* a value of 45% of the contract which fulfills the WBE goal. The 8% MBE goal shall be obtained through MBE participation with MBE certified subcontractors or documented through a good faith effort. It should be noted that you cannot combine the two goals to meet an overall value. The two goals shall remain separate.

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 MBE and WBE goals 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 MBE and WBE goals, or if the form is incomplete (i.e. both signatures are not present), the MBE/WBE participation will not count toward meeting the MBE/WBE goal. If the lack of this participation drops the commitment below either the MBE or 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 by Letter of Intent exceeds the algebraic sum of the MBE or 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 firms to meet the contract goal, as part of the good faith effort, the Department will consider allowing the bidder to withdraw funds to meet the MBE goal as long as there are adequate funds available from the bidder's MBE bank account.

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

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

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

One complete set and **[number of copies]** 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 MBE/WBE Goals 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 MBE and WBE goals 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 contract MBE/WBE goals 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 contract goals 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 contract MBE or WBE goals, 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 [DBE@ncdot.gov](mailto:DBE@ncdot.gov) 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 MBE and WBE 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 MBE and WBE goals.
- (2) The bidders' past performance in meeting the MBE and WBE goals.
- (3) The performance of other bidders in meeting the MBE and WBE goals. For example, when the apparent successful bidder fails to meet the goals, but others meet it, you may reasonably raise the question of whether, with additional reasonable efforts the apparent successful bidder could have met the goals. If the apparent successful bidder fails to meet the MBE and WBE goals, 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 MBE and WBE goals can be met or that an adequate good faith effort has been made to meet the MBE and WBE goals.

### **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 MBE/WBE Goals**

- (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 MBE contract goal requirement. The same holds for work that a WBE subcontracts to another WBE firm. Work that a MBE subcontracts to a non-MBE firm does not count toward the MBE contract goal requirement. Again, the same holds true for the work that a WBE subcontracts to a non-WBE firm. 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. The MBE/WBE may present evidence to rebut this presumption to the Department. The Department's decision on the rebuttal of this presumption may be subject to review by the Office of Inspector General, NCDOT.

(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 or 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 or 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.

**(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 MBE or 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 goal requirement. 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 liable for meeting the goal.
- (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 firm (or an approved substitute MBE or WBE firm) to meet all or part of a contract goal requirement, the contractor shall not terminate the MBE/WBE 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, a non-MBE/WBE subcontractor, or with the Contractor's own forces or those of an affiliate. A MBE/WBE may only be terminated after receiving the Engineer's written approval based upon a finding of good cause for the termination. The prime contractor must give the MBE/WBE firm five (5) calendar days to respond to the prime contractor's notice of termination and advise the prime contractor and the Department of the reasons, if any, why the firm objects to the proposed termination of its subcontract and why the Department should not approve the action.

All requests for replacement of a committed MBE/WBE firm shall be submitted to the Engineer for approval on Form RF-1 (*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.

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

#### **(A) Performance Related Replacement**

When a committed MBE is terminated for good cause as stated above, an additional MBE that was submitted at the time of bid may be used to fulfill the MBE commitment. The same holds true if a committed WBE is terminated for good cause, an additional WBE that was submitted at the time of bid may be used to fulfill the WBE goal. A good faith effort will only be required for removing a committed MBE/WBE if there were no additional MBEs/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 MBEs/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 MBEs/WBEs for specific subbids including, at a minimum:
    - (a) The names, addresses, and telephone numbers of MBEs/WBEs who were contacted.
    - (b) A description of the information provided to MBEs/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 MBEs/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.
  - (2) 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 similarly certified MBE/WBE subcontractor to perform at least the same amount of work to meet the 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).

### 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 *2012 Standard Specifications* may be cause to disqualify the Contractor.

### **LOCATING EXISTING UNDERGROUND UTILITIES:**

(3-20-12)

105

SP1 G115

Revise the *2012 Standard Specifications* as follows:

**Page 1-43, Article 105-8, line 28, after the first sentence,** add the following:

Identify excavation locations by means of pre-marking with white paint, flags, or stakes or provide a specific written description of the location in the locate request.

### **RESOURCE CONSERVATION AND ENV. SUSTAINABLE PRACTICES:**

(5-21-13) (Rev. 5-19-15)

104-13

SP1 G118

In accordance with North Carolina Executive Order 156, NCGS 130A-309.14(3), and NCGS 136-28.8, it is the objective of the Department to aid in the reduction of materials that become a part of our solid waste stream, to divert materials from landfills, to find ways to recycle and reuse materials, to consider and minimize, where economically feasible, the environmental impacts associated with agency land use and acquisition, construction, maintenance and facility management for the benefit of the Citizens of North Carolina.

To achieve the mission of reducing environmental impacts across the state, the Department is committed to supporting the efforts to initiate, develop and use products and construction methods that incorporate the use of recycled, solid waste products and environmentally sustainable practices in accordance with Article 104-13 of the *Standard Specifications*.

Report the quantities of reused or recycled materials either incorporated in the project or diverted from landfills and any practice that minimizes the environmental impact on the project annually on the Project Construction Reuse and Recycling Reporting Form. The Project Construction Reuse and Recycling Reporting Form and a location tool for local recycling facilities are available at:

<http://connect.ncdot.gov/resources/Environmental/Pages/North-Carolina-Recycling-Locations.aspx>.

Submit the Project Construction Reuse and Recycling Reporting Form by August 1 annually to [valuemanagementunit@ncdot.gov](mailto:valuemanagementunit@ncdot.gov). For questions regarding the form or reporting, please contact the State Value Management Engineer at 919-707-4810.

**DOMESTIC STEEL:**

(4-16-13)

106

SP1 G120

Revise the *2012 Standard Specifications* as follows:

**Page 1-49, Subarticle 106-1(B) Domestic Steel, lines 2-7,** replace the first paragraph with the following:

All steel and iron products that are permanently incorporated into this project shall be produced in the United States except minimal amounts of foreign steel and iron products may be used provided the combined material cost of the items involved does not exceed 0.1% of the total amount bid for the entire project or \$2,500, whichever is greater. If invoices showing the cost of the material are not provided, the amount of the bid item involving the foreign material will be used for calculations. This minimal amount of foreign produced steel and iron products permitted for use is not applicable to high strength fasteners. Domestically produced high strength fasteners are required.

**COOPERATION BETWEEN CONTRACTORS:**

(7-1-95)

105-7

SP1 G133

The Contractor's attention is directed to Article 105-7 of the *2012 Standard Specifications*.

[Other Project Location-See Insert]

The Contractor on this project shall cooperate with the Contractor working within or adjacent to the limits of this project to the extent that the work can be carried out to the best advantage of all concerned.

**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.

**GIFTS FROM VENDORS AND CONTRACTORS:**

(12-15-09)

107-1

SP1 G152

By Executive Order 24, issued by Governor Perdue, and *N.C.G.S. § 133-32*, it is unlawful for any vendor or contractor (i.e. architect, bidder, contractor, construction manager, design professional, engineer, landlord, offeror, seller, subcontractor, supplier, or vendor), to make gifts or to give favors to any State employee of the Governor's Cabinet Agencies (i.e. Administration, Commerce, Correction, Crime Control and Public Safety, Cultural Resources, Environment and Natural Resources, Health and Human Services, Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, Revenue, Transportation, and the Office of the Governor). This prohibition covers those vendors and contractors who:

(A) Have a contract with a governmental agency; or

- (B) Have performed under such a contract within the past year; or  
 (C) Anticipate bidding on such a contract in the future.

For additional information regarding the specific requirements and exemptions, vendors and contractors are encouraged to review Executive Order 24 and *N.C.G.S. § 133-32*.

Executive Order 24 also encouraged and invited other State Agencies to implement the requirements and prohibitions of the Executive Order to their agencies. Vendors and contractors should contact other State Agencies to determine if those agencies have adopted Executive Order 24.

**LIABILITY INSURANCE:**

(5-20-14)

SP1 G160

Revise the *2012 Standard Specifications* as follows:

**Page 1-60, Article 107-15 LIABILITY INSURANCE, line 16**, add the following as the second sentence of the third paragraph:

Prior to beginning services, all contractors shall provide proof of coverage issued by a workers' compensation insurance carrier, or a certificate of compliance issued by the Department of Insurance for self-insured subcontractors, irrespective of whether having regularly in service fewer than three employees.

**EMPLOYMENT:**

(11-15-11) (Rev. 1-17-12)

108, 102

SP1 G184

Revise the *2012 Standard Specifications* as follows:

**Page 1-20, Subarticle 102-15(O)**, delete and replace with the following:

- (O) Failure to restrict a former Department employee as prohibited by Article 108-5.

**Page 1-65, Article 108-5 Character of Workmen, Methods, and Equipment, line 32**, delete all of line 32, the first sentence of the second paragraph and the first word of the second sentence of the second paragraph.

**STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATOR TITLE CHANGE:**

(9-18-12)

SP1 G185

Revise the *2012 Standard Specifications* as follows:

Replace all references to "State Highway Administrator" with "Chief Engineer".

**SUBLETTING OF CONTRACT:**

(11-18-2014)

108-6

SP1 G186

Revise the *2012 Standard Specifications* as follows:

**Page 1-66, Article 108-6 Subletting of Contract, line 37**, add the following as the second sentence of the first paragraph:

All requests to sublet work shall be submitted within 30 days of the date of availability or prior to expiration of 20% of the contract time, whichever date is later, unless otherwise approved by the Engineer.

**Page 1-67, Article 108-6 Subletting of Contract, line 7**, add the following as the second sentence of the fourth paragraph:

Purchasing materials for subcontractors is not included in the percentage of work required to be performed by the Contractor. If the Contractor sublets items of work but elects to purchase material for the subcontractor, the value of the material purchased will be included in the total dollar amount considered to have been sublet.



**PROJECT SPECIAL PROVISIONS****ROADWAY****QUANTITIES ESTIMATED**

The quantities shown on the itemized bid form are considered to be approximate only and are given as the basis for comparison of bids. For accounting purposes only a purchase order may be generated by the Department and may be required to be executed by the parties in order to set up payment to the contractor. The purchase order may, solely for the purposes of accounting, contain quantity amounts. In the event any such quantity amounts are included they SHALL NOT be construed as minimum quantities. Quantities shall be determined solely by the Department on an "as needed" basis. In the event of a conflict between any purchase orders and this proposal, this proposal shall control.

**LONG-ARM MOWING:****Description**

Cut vegetation using long-arm mowers along State Maintained routes (Primary, Secondary, & Unpaved Secondary) as designated by the Engineer. All work must be accomplished during daylight hours. No night work is permitted. A Truck Mounted Impact Attenuator (TMIA) shall be required for long arm mowing operations not performed within a flagging operation or lane closure and is incidental to the operation being performed. Payment for the lane closures or flagging operations for long arm mowing will be made under the line item Lane Closure.

**Equipment**

The Contractor shall furnish all required equipment in satisfactory operating condition and operated by properly trained and qualified personnel. The Contractor shall be responsible for all cost or charges incurred in the operation and maintenance of the equipment during the performance of this contract.

All tractors shall be equipped so as to conform to the prevailing Occupational Safety Health Act Standards.

All tractors shall be equipped with one (1) light bar mounted on top of the cab. The width of the bar shall be seventeen (17) inches or greater, but shall not exceed safe mounting limits of the cab. The bar's light source may be a series of rotating quartz-halogen, incandescent, or LED bulbs; stroboscopic lamps; or static programmable LED. The Engineer may require an alternate pattern should the one chosen be deemed unsafe, inconsistent, or inadequate. The light source shall be amber in color as permitted by N.C.G.S § 20-130.2. The light bar shall be visible from all directions.

All tractors shall be equipped with one (1) perimeter light mounted on the left rear fender, and one (1) perimeter light mounted on the right rear fender. These lights shall be amber in color.

The Contractor must furnish, mount, and maintain a W10-11 or W10-11A "Caution Mower" sign on the rear of each mower such that they can be easily read by motorists approaching from the rear. Both sign types are black lettering over a fluorescent orange background. The sign should have a minimum clearance of one (1) foot from the ground to the bottom of the sign. The sign must not obstruct any safety lighting. In addition, the Contractor's company name shall be conspicuously displayed on each tractor.



Provide mowers with a minimum reach of 17 feet from the centerline of the tractor to the outermost tip of the mowing blade. Mower hydraulics shall be controlled from within the driver compartment. The tractor shall have sufficient horsepower to operate the mower per manufacturer recommendations. Provide shields on mowers which preclude foreign objects from being thrown out from the cutting unit enclosures. Provide a minimum of two (2) mowers. A minimum of one (1) long-arm mowing tractor will be required to be present and operating within any work zone.

### Construction Methods

The Engineer will select and coordinate the locations for long-arm operations, and provide a map and list of designated routes to the Contractor.

All routes shall be mowed to the top of the cut slope, to the bottom of the fill slope, or to the limit of the equipment. Vegetation hanging over the slope or roadway shall be mowed to the limit of the equipment. Ground vegetation shall be cut to a height of no greater than six (6) inches. Cut vegetation shall be cleaned up or mulched. All brush or debris which falls into the roadway shall be immediately removed by the contractor.

The Contractor shall exercise caution not to damage or destroy private property such as plantings or landscaping unless otherwise directed.

The Contractor shall notify the Engineer at the start of operations, and shall keep the Engineer informed of the proposed work plan. The Contractor shall submit written reports of work accomplished on a weekly basis, unless otherwise directed.

All work shall be subject to inspection by the Engineer at any time. The Engineer will make periodic inspections of the completed work. It is intended that the work will be completed in a neat, workmanlike manner. Areas which are gapped or rolled down and uncut will not be considered acceptable

### Measurement and Payment

*Long-Arm Mowing* will be paid as the number of shoulder miles acceptably mowed. 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 (1) map mile of two-lane roadway, multi-lane undivided highway, or multi-lane divided highway shall equal two (2) shoulder miles. All roadway ramps (Entrance and Exit) connecting the main roadway to adjacent roadways shall be mowed as part of this contract. No additional measurement or compensation will be made for interchange ramps, as such areas are considered incidental to the shoulder miles measured along the mainline. Such price and payment will be full compensation for all work including, but not limited to, mobilization, supervision, labor, equipment, traffic control, and all incidentals necessary for the prosecution and completion of the work. No separate payment will be made for debris removal or disposal.

Payment will be made under:

<b>Pay Item</b>	<b>Pay Unit</b>
Long-Arm Mowing, Primary Divided Routes	Shoulder Mile
Long-Arm Mowing, Primary Undivided Routes	Shoulder Mile

Long-Arm Mowing, Secondary Routes Paved  
 Long-Arm Mowing, Secondary Routes Unpaved

Shoulder Mile  
 Shoulder Mile

### **NOTIFICATION OF OPERATIONS**

The Engineer will be notified by the Contractor 1 week in advance of beginning work on this project.

### **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, when 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.**

### **TRUCK MOUNTED CHANGEABLE MESSAGE SIGNS:**

(8-21-12)

1101.02

SP11 R10

Revise the *2012 Roadway Standard Drawings* as follows:

**Drawing No. 1101.02, Sheet 12, TEMPORARY LANE CLOSURES**, replace General Note #11 with the following:

11- TRUCK MOUNTED CHANGEABLE MESSAGE SIGNS (TMCMS) USED ON SHADOW VEHICLES FOR "IN LANE" ACTIVITIES SHALL BE A MINIMUM OF 43" X 73". THE DISPLAY PANEL SHALL HAVE FULL MATRIX CAPABILITY WITH THE CAPABILITY TO PROVIDE 2 MESSAGE LINES WITH 7 CHARACTERS PER LINE WITH A MINIMUM CHARACTER HEIGHT OF 18". FOR ADDITIONAL MESSAGING, CONTACT THE WORK ZONE TRAFFIC CONTROL SECTION.

12- TMCMS USED FOR ADVANCED WARNING ON VEHICLES LOCATED ON THE SHOULDER MAY BE SMALLER THAN 43" X 73". THE DISPLAY PANEL SHALL HAVE THE CAPABILITY TO PROVIDE 2 MESSAGE LINES WITH 7 CHARACTERS PER LINE WITH A MINIMUM CHARACTER HEIGHT OF 18". FOR ADDITIONAL MESSAGING, CONTACT THE WORK ZONE TRAFFIC CONTROL SECTION.

Drawing No. 1101.02, Sheet 13, TEMPORARY LANE CLOSURES, replace General Note #12 with the following:

12- TRUCK MOUNTED CHANGEABLE MESSAGE SIGNS (TMCMS) USED ON SHADOW VEHICLES FOR "IN LANE" ACTIVITIES SHALL BE A MINIMUM OF 43" X 73". THE DISPLAY PANEL SHALL HAVE FULL MATRIX CAPABILITY WITH THE CAPABILITY TO PROVIDE 2 MESSAGE LINES WITH 7 CHARACTERS PER LINE WITH A MINIMUM CHARACTER HEIGHT OF 18". FOR ADDITIONAL MESSAGING, CONTACT THE WORK ZONE TRAFFIC CONTROL SECTION.

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### **LONG-ARM MOWING work zone traffic control general requirements**

#### **TEMPORARY traffic Control (TTC):**

Maintain traffic in accordance with Divisions 10, 11 and 12 of the *2012 Standard Specifications*, the Project Special Provisions, the current edition of the *Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD)*, and the following provisions:

Work Zone Traffic Control shall include furnishing, installing, maintaining, relocating and finally removing any and all signs, barricades, drums, cones, flashing arrow boards, truck mounted impact attenuators and all other traffic control devices required to safely perform the work and protect the public. Perform work only when weather and visibility conditions allow safe operations as directed by the Engineer.

All personnel when working in traffic areas or areas in close proximity to traffic shall wear an approved safety vest, or shirt or jacket which meets the color requirements of the MUTCD.

#### **Undivided Facilities**

Long-arm mowing operations on undivided facilities shall require "Temporary Lane Closures" unless otherwise approved by the Engineer. Refer to Standard Drawing No. 1101.02, 1101.11, 1110.01, 1110.02, 1115.01, 1130.01 1135.01, 1150.01, 1165.01 and 1180.01 of the *2012 Roadway Standard Drawings*. Properly ballasted cones and skinny drums may be used instead of drums. However, drums are required for the upstream taper portion of lane closures in all applications. The stationary work zone shall be a maximum of one (1) mile in length at any given time on undivided facilities unless otherwise approved by the Engineer. During periods of inactivity, return the traffic pattern to the existing alignment and remove or cover any work zone signs.

On two (2) way, two (2) lane facilities traffic movements through lane closures 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, hats, stop/slow paddles, and any other incidentals necessary to complete the work. Maintain the

existing traffic pattern at all times, except in the immediate work zone where lane closures are allowed as determined by the Engineer. Such lane closures are considered incidental to the long-arm mowing line items included in the contract, no separate payment will be made.

### **MULTI LANE DIVIDED FACILITIES**

For Long-arm mowing operations on divided facilities, various traffic control devices may be required, including shadow vehicles, TMIA's, and Lane Closures. Refer to the "Multi-lane Operation Diagrams" for a depiction of traffic control devices required based on proximity to the nearest lane of travel. "Temporary Lane Closures" and "Temporary Shoulder Closures" may be used for operations on divided facilities as approved by the Engineer. Refer to Standard Drawing No. 1101.02, 1101.11, 1110.01, 1110.02, 1115.01, 1130.01, 1135.01, 1150.01, 1165.01 and 1180.01 of the *2012 Roadway Standard Drawings*. Properly ballasted cones and skinny drums may be used instead of drums. However, drums are required for the upstream taper portion of lane closures in all applications. The stationary work zone shall be a maximum of two (2) miles in length at any given time on divided facilities unless otherwise approved by the Engineer. During periods of inactivity, return the traffic pattern to the existing alignment and remove or cover any work zone signs. Such traffic control devices or lane closures are considered incidental to the long-arm mowing line items included in the contract, no separate payment will be made.

### **Measurement and Payment**

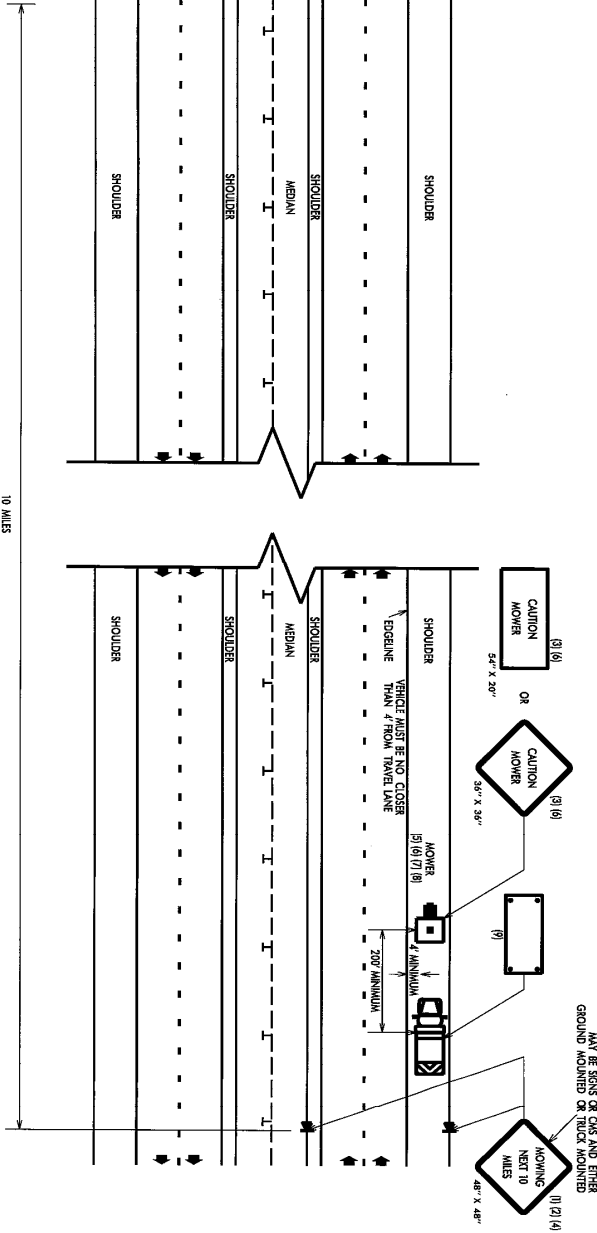
Temporary traffic control work, including, but not limited to installation and removal of stationary signs, portable signs, cones, drums, skinny drums, flaggers, AFAD's, changeable message boards, truck mounted attenuators, flashing arrow boards, and pilot vehicles will be considered incidental to the work being paid for under the various items in the contract, no separate payment will be made.

**Multi-lane Operations Diagrams**  
**Diagram 1**

\*\*\*\*\*SYSTEM\*\*\*\*\*  
\*\*\*\*\*PROJECT\*\*\*\*\*  
\*\*\*\*\*DRAWING\*\*\*\*\*

LOCATION:  
VOLUME:  
SPEED:

LONG-ARM MOWING OPERATION  
INTERSTATE AND MULTILANE DIVIDED FACILITIES  
MOWING VEHICLE & TMAA FOUR (4) FEET OR MORE TO EDGELINE  
ANY VOLUME  
ANY SPEED



- (1) THE FOLLOWING OPTIONS MAY BE USED AS THE FIRST ADVANCE WARNING THE MOTORISTS SEES:
- A. TRUCK MOUNTED ADVANCE WARNING SIGNS
  - B. GROUND MOUNTED ADVANCE WARNING SIGNS
  - C. GROUND MOUNTED ADVANCE WARNING SIGNS (MUST USE NEXT 10 MILES AND MAKE CIRCLE TO PICK UP SIGNS)
- (2) IF USING GROUND MOUNTED ADVANCE WARNING SIGNS ON STATIONARY CONES, THE TOTAL DISTANCE BETWEEN THE FIRST ADVANCE WARNING SIGN OR CONE MOWING AHEAD NEXT 10 MILES
- (3) SIGNS ON VEHICLES SHOULD BE MOUNTED A MINIMUM OF ONE (1) FOOT FROM THE FRONT AND SHOULD NOT BLOCK THE MOTORIST'S VIEW OF THE VEHICLE LIGHTING.
- (4) GROUND MOUNTED SIGNS MUST BE MOUNTED A MINIMUM OF FIVE (5) FEET FROM THE GROUND TO THE BOTTOM OF THE SIGN.

**GENERAL NOTES**

- (5) USE A LIGHT BAR OR ROTATING BEACON ON TOP OF CAB AND TWO OUTSIDE BLINKING AMBER LIGHTS VISIBLE FROM BOTH DIRECTIONS ON ALL MOWERS.
- (6) USE "CAUTION MOWER" ON REAR OF EACH MOWER.
- (7) MOWING OPERATIONS ARE RESTRICTED TO DAYLIGHT HOURS.
- (8) WHEN TRAVELING FROM ONE SIDE OF A BRIDGE TO ANOTHER, BOTH MOWER AND TMAA MUST BE STOPPED IN THE MIDDLE OF THE BRIDGE AND MUST BE BROKEN INTO THE TRAVELWAY SIMULTANEOUSLY TO GET TO THE OTHER SIDE.
- (9) USE A TYPE "B" FLASHING ARROW PANEL.  
MIN. SIZE 60" X 30"
- (10) IF MOWING VEHICLE OR TRUCK MOUNTED TRAFFIC ATTENUATOR ARE CLOSER THAN 4' TO EDGELINE, LONG-ARM MOWING OPERATION DRAWING NUMBER 2 OF 2, OR LANE CLOSURE MUST BE USED.

**LEGEND**

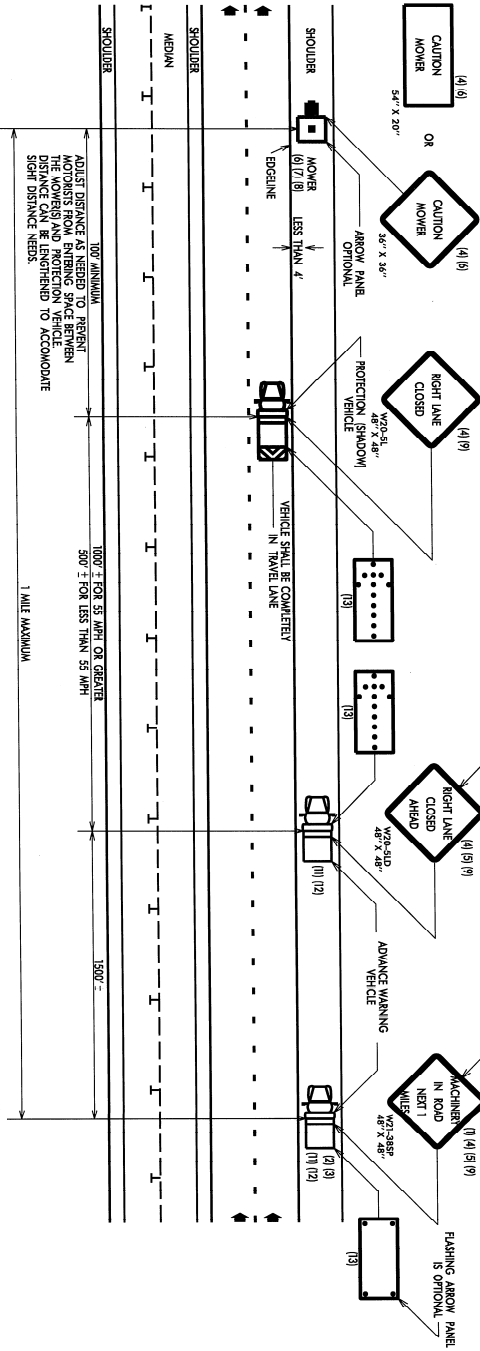
- ▲ CONE
- PORTABLE SIGN
- DIRECTION OF TRAFFIC FLOW
- ▣ MOWING VEHICLE
- ▣ PROTECTION VEHICLE WITH TRUCK MOUNTED ATTENUATOR (TMAA) AND LIGHTING SYSTEM (SEE RSD NO. 1165-01)
- ▣ FLASHING ARROW PANEL, TYPE "B"
- ▣ CAUTION MOWER

Multi-lane Operations Diagrams  
Diagram 2

LOCATION:  
VOLUME:  
SPEED:

INTERSTATE AND MULTILANE DIVIDED FACILITIES  
IN AREAS WITH LIMITED SHOULDER AND GUARDRAIL  
MOWING VEHICLE CLOSER THAN FOUR (4) FEET TO EDGE LINE  
ANY VOLUME  
ANY SPEED

LONG-ARM MOWING OPERATION



IF GROUND MOUNTED SIGNS ARE USED WITH FLASHING ARROW (APPROPRIATE DIRECTION) MUST STILL BE USED

MAY BE SIGNS OR CHS AND EITHER GROUND MOUNTED OR TRUCK MOUNTED

FLASHING ARROW PANEL IS OPTIONAL

GENERAL NOTES

- (1) THE FOLLOWING OPTIONS MAY BE USED AS THE FIRST ADVANCE WARNING THE MOWING'S SEES:
  - A. TRUCK MOUNTED ADVANCE WARNING SIGNS
  - B. MOUNTED CHANGEABLE MESSAGE SIGN (CMS)
  - C. MUST USE NEXT 10 MILES AND MAKE CIRCLE TO PICK UP STONS
- (2) TOTAL DISTANCE BETWEEN FIRST AND LAST VEHICLE IN CARAVAN SHOULD NOT EXCEED ONE (1) MILE IN LENGTH.
- (3) IF USING GROUND MOUNTED ADVANCE WARNING SIGNS OR STATIONARY CMS, MOWING VEHICLE SHOULD NOT EXCEED 10 MILES AND SHOULD READ 'MOWING AHEAD NEXT 10 MILES'.
- (4) SIGNS ON VEHICLES SHOULD BE MOUNTED A MINIMUM OF ONE (1) FOOT FROM THE GROUND AND SHOULD NOT BLOCK THE MOWING'S SIGHT OF THE VEHICLE LIGHTING.
- (5) GROUND MOUNTED SIGNS MUST BE MOUNTED A MINIMUM OF FIVE (5) FEET FROM THE GROUND TO THE BOTTOM OF THE SIGN.
- (6) USE A LIGHT BAR OR ROTATING BEACON ON TOP OF CAB AND TWO OUTSIDE BLINKING AMBER LIGHTS VISIBLE FROM BOTH DIRECTIONS ON ALL MOWERS.
- (7) USE "CAUTION MOWER" ON REAR OF EACH MOWER.
- (8) MOWING OPERATIONS ARE RESTRICTED TO DAY-LIGHT HOURS.
- (9) SIGN W2-5L SHOULD BE PLACED ON BACK OF PROTECTION VEHICLE DIVERT TRAFFIC SO VEHICLES APPROACHING FROM REAR ARE NOTIFIED OF OPERATION.
- (10) RADIO COMMUNICATION BETWEEN VEHICLES IS RECOMMENDED.
- (11) USE A LIGHT BAR OR ROTATING BEACON ON THE ADVANCE WARNING VEHICLES.
- (12) USE OF CHS'S ARE OPTIONAL WITH ADVANCED WARNING VEHICLES.
- (13) USE A TYPE "B" FLASHING ARROW PANEL.

LEGEND

- ▲ CONE
- PORTABLE SIGN
- MOWING VEHICLE
- PROTECTION VEHICLE WITH TRUCK MOUNTED IMPACT ATTENUATOR (TMIA) (SEE MSJ NO. 1183-01)
- ADVANCE WARNING VEHICLE 1.0, PICKUP TRUCK WITH MOUNTED SIGN
- FLASHING ARROW PANEL, TYPE "B"
- FLASHING ARROW PANEL, TYPE "A"
- APPROPRIATE DIRECTION INDICATED

**Signs**

Grass Mowing Advance Warning Signs (W10-10A)

W10-10A  
48" X 48"



Caution Mower (W10-11A and W10-11)

W10-11A  
36" x 36"



W10-11  
54"X30"

**NOTES TO CONTRACTOR**

THERE SHALL BE NO LONG ARM MOWING WITHIN SUBDIVISIONS UNLESS DIRECTED BY THE ENGINEER.

CONTACT THE ENGINEER/OR APPOINTED REPRESENTATIVE IF THERE IS ANY QUESTION AS TO WHETHER TO CUT VEGETATION IN URBAN POPULATED AREAS OR WELL MANICURED DEVELOPMENTS/RESIDENTS PRIOR TO DOING SO WITH A LONG ARM.

CITIZEN NOTIFICATION MAY BE REQUIRED PRIOR TO CUTTING VEGETATION THAT IS GROWING OFF THE R/W BUT HANGING OVER THE ROADWAY.

VERTICAL CLEARANCE TO BE ACHIEVED FROM THE ROADWAY TO THE LOWEST PORTION OF ANY VEGETATION IS 16'.



**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(E) of the *2012 Standard Specifications*.

**STANDARD SPECIAL PROVISION****ERRATA**

(1-17-12) (Rev. 04-21-15)

Z-4

Revise the *2012 Standard Specifications* as follows:

**Division 2**

**Page 2-7, line 31, Article 215-2 Construction Methods**, replace “Article 107-26” with “Article 107-25”.

**Page 2-17, Article 226-3, Measurement and Payment, line 2**, delete “pipe culverts,”.

**Page 2-20, Subarticle 230-4(B), Contractor Furnished Sources, change references as follows: Line 1**, replace “(4) Buffer Zone” with “(c) Buffer Zone”; **Line 12**, replace “(5) Evaluation for Potential Wetlands and Endangered Species” with “(d) Evaluation for Potential Wetlands and Endangered Species”; and **Line 33**, replace “(6) Approval” with “(4) Approval”.

**Division 3**

**Page 3-1, after line 15, Article 300-2 Materials**, replace “1032-9(F)” with “1032-6(F)”.

**Division 4**

**Page 4-77, line 27, Subarticle 452-3(C) Concrete Coping**, replace “sheet pile” with “reinforcement”.

**Division 6**

**Page 6-7, line 31, Article 609-3 Field Verification of Mixture and Job Mix Formula Adjustments**, replace “30” with “45”.

**Page 6-10, line 42, Subarticle 609-6(C)(2)**, replace “Subarticle 609-6(E)” with “Subarticle 609-6(D)”.

**Page 6-11, Table 609-1 Control Limits**, replace “Max. Spec. Limit” for the Target Source of  $P_{0.075}/P_{be}$  Ratio with “1.0”.

**Page 6-40, Article 650-2 Materials**, replace “Subarticle 1012-1(F)” with “Subarticle 1012-1(E)”

**Division 7**

**Page 7-1, Article 700-3, CONCRETE HAULING EQUIPMENT**, line 33, replace “compeition” with “completion”.

**Division 8**

**Page 8-23, line 10, Article 838-2 Materials**, replace “Portland Cement Concrete, Class B” with “Portland Cement Concrete, Class A”.

**Division 10**

**Page 10-166, Article 1081-3 Hot Bitumen**, replace “Table 1081-16” with “Table 1081-2”, replace “Table 1081-17” with “Table 1081-3”, and replace “Table 1081-18” with “Table 1081-4”.

**Division 12**

**Page 12-7, Table 1205-3**, add “FOR THERMOPLASTIC” to the end of the title.

**Page 12-8, Subarticle 1205-5(B), line 13**, replace “Table 1205-2” with “Table 1205-4”.

**Page 12-8, Table 1205-4 and 1205-5**, replace “THERMOPLASTIC” in the title of these tables with “POLYUREA”.

**Page 12-9, Subarticle 1205-6(B), line 21**, replace “Table 1205-4” with “Table 1205-6”.

**Page 12-11, Subarticle 1205-8(C), line 25**, replace “Table 1205-5” with “Table 1205-7”.

**Division 15**

**Page 15-4, Subarticle 1505-3(F) Backfilling, line 26**, replace “Subarticle 235-4(C)” with “Subarticle 235-3(C)”.

**Page 15-6, Subarticle 1510-3(B), after line 21**, replace the allowable leakage formula with the following:

$$W=LD\sqrt{P} \div 148,000$$

**Page 15-6, Subarticle 1510-3(B), line 32**, delete “may be performed concurrently or” and replace with “shall be performed”.

**Page 15-17, Subarticle 1540-3(E), line 27**, delete “Type 1”.

**Division 17**

**Page 17-26, line 42, Subarticle 1731-3(D) Termination and Splicing within Interconnect Center**, delete this subarticle.

Revise the *2012 Roadway Standard Drawings* as follows:

**1633.01 Sheet 1 of 1, English Standard Drawing for Matting Installation**, replace “1633.01” with “1631.01”.

**STANDARD SPECIAL PROVISION****PLANT AND PEST QUARANTINES****(Imported Fire Ant, Gypsy Moth, Witchweed, Emerald Ash Borer, And Other Noxious Weeds)**

(3-18-03) (Rev. 12-20-16)

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**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 <http://www.ncagr.gov/plantindustry/> 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, or other noxious weeds.

**STANDARD SPECIAL PROVISION****AWARD OF CONTRACT**

(6-28-77)(Rev 2/16/2016)

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“The North Carolina Department of Transportation, in accordance with the provisions of *Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964* (78 Stat. 252) and the Regulations of the Department of Transportation (*49 C.F.R., Part 21*), issued pursuant to such act, hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively insure that the contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement will be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder without discrimination on the ground of race, color, or national origin”.

**TITLE VI AND NONDISCRIMINATION****I. Title VI Assurance**

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:

**(1) Compliance with Regulations:** The contractor shall comply with the Regulation relative to nondiscrimination in Federally-assisted programs of the Department of Transportation (hereinafter, "DOT") Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 21, as they may be amended from time to time, (hereinafter referred to as the Regulations), which are herein incorporated by reference and made a part of this contract.

**(2) 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 either directly or indirectly in the discrimination prohibited by section 21.5 of the Regulations, including employment practices when the contract covers a program set forth in Appendix B of the Regulations.

**(3) 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 Regulations relative to nondiscrimination on the grounds of race, color, or national origin.

**(4) Information and Reports:** The contractor shall provide all information and reports required by the Regulations or 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 North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) or the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) to be pertinent to ascertain compliance with such Regulations, orders and instructions. Where any information required of a contractor is in the exclusive possession of another who fails or refuses to furnish this information the contractor shall so certify to the NCDOT, or the FHWA as appropriate, and shall set forth what efforts it has made to obtain the information.

**(5) Sanctions for Noncompliance:** In the event of the contractor's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination provisions of this contract, the NCDOT shall impose such contract sanctions as it or the FHWA may determine to be appropriate, including, but not limited to:

- (a) Withholding of payments to the contractor under the contract until the contractor complies, and/or
- (b) Cancellation, termination or suspension of the contract, in whole or in part.

**(6) Incorporation of Provisions:** The contractor shall include the provisions of paragraphs (1) through (6) in every subcontract, including procurements of materials and leases of equipment, unless exempt by the Regulations, or directives issued pursuant thereto.

The contractor shall take such action with respect to any subcontractor procurement as the NCDOT or the FHWA may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions including sanctions for noncompliance: provided, however, that, in the event a contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a

subcontractor or supplier as a result of such direction, the contractor may request the NCDOT to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the NCDOT, and, in addition, the contractor may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

## **II. Title VI Nondiscrimination Program**

Title VI of the 1964 Civil Rights Act, 42 U.S.C. 2000d, provides that: “No person in the United States shall, on the grounds of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance.” The broader application of nondiscrimination law is found in other statutes, executive orders, and regulations (see Section III, Pertinent Nondiscrimination Authorities), which provide additional protections based on age, sex, disability and religion. In addition, the 1987 Civil Rights Restoration Act extends nondiscrimination coverage to all programs and activities of federal-aid recipients and contractors, including those that are not federally-funded.

### *Nondiscrimination Assurance*

The North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) hereby gives assurance that no person shall on the ground of race, color, national origin, sex, age, and disability, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity conducted by the recipient, as provided by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987, and any other related Civil Rights authorities, whether those programs and activities are federally funded or not.

### *Obligation*

During the performance of this contract, the Contractor and its subcontractors are responsible for complying with NCDOT’s Title VI Program. The Contractor must ensure that NCDOT’s Notice of Nondiscrimination is posted in conspicuous locations accessible to all employees and subcontractors on the jobsite, along with the Contractor’s own Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) Policy Statement. The Contractor shall physically incorporate this “**TITLE VI AND NONDISCRIMINATION**” language, in its entirety, into all its subcontracts on federally-assisted and state-funded NCDOT-owned projects, and ensure its inclusion by subcontractors into all subsequent lower tier subcontracts. The Contractor and its subcontractors shall also physically incorporate the **FHWA-1273**, in its entirety, into all subcontracts and subsequent lower tier subcontracts on Federal-aid highway construction contracts only. The Contractor is also responsible for making its subcontractors aware of NCDOT’s Discrimination Complaints Process, as follows:

## **FILING OF COMPLAINTS**

- 1. Applicability** – These complaint procedures apply to the beneficiaries of the NCDOT’s programs, activities, and services, including, but not limited to, members of the public, contractors, subcontractors, consultants, and other sub-recipients of federal and state funds.
- 2. Eligibility** – Any person or class of persons who believes he/she has been subjected to discrimination or retaliation prohibited by any of the Civil Rights authorities, based upon race, color, sex, age, national origin, or disability, may file a written complaint with NCDOT's Civil Rights office. The law prohibits intimidation or retaliation of any sort. The complaint may be filed by the affected individual or a representative, and must be in writing.
- 3. Time Limits and Filing Options** – A complaint must be filed no later than 180 calendar days after the following:
  - The date of the alleged act of discrimination; or
  - The date when the person(s) became aware of the alleged discrimination; or
  - 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 other discrimination complaints may be submitted to the following entities:

- **North Carolina Department of Transportation**, Office of Equal Opportunity & Workforce Services (EOWS), External Civil Rights Section, 1511 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-1511; 919-508-1808 or toll free 800-522-0453
  - **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
    - Federal Highway Administration**, North Carolina Division Office, 310 New Bern Avenue, Suite 410, Raleigh, NC 27601, 919-747-7010
    - Federal Highway Administration**, Office of Civil Rights, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE, 8<sup>th</sup> Floor, E81-314, Washington, DC 20590, 202-366-0693 / 366-0752
    - Federal Transit Administration**, Office of Civil Rights, ATTN: Title VI Program Coordinator, East Bldg. 5<sup>th</sup> Floor – TCR, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE, Washington, DC 20590
    - Federal Aviation Administration**, Office of Civil Rights, 800 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20591, 202-267-3258
  - **US Department of Justice**, Special Litigation Section, Civil Rights Division, 950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20530, 202-514-6255 or toll free 877-218-5228
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 EOWS at the phone number above 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, sex, age, or disability. The term “basis” refers to the complainant’s membership in a protected group category. Contact this office to receive a Discrimination Complaint Form.

Protected Categories	Definition	Examples	Applicable Statutes and Regulations	
			FHWA	FTA
Race	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	Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964; 49 CFR Part 21; Circular 4702.1B
Color	Color of skin, including shade of skin within a racial group	Black, White, brown, yellow, etc.		
National Origin	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	Women and Men	1973 Federal-Aid Highway Act	Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972



Age	Persons of any age	21 year old person	Age Discrimination Act of 1975
Disability	Physical or mental impairment, permanent or temporary, or perceived.	Blind, alcoholic, paraplegic, epileptic, diabetic, arthritic	Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990

### III. 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:

- 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.
- 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);
- Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1973, (23 U.S.C. § 324 *et seq.*), (prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex);
- 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;
- The Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended, (42 U.S.C. § 6101 *et seq.*), (prohibits discrimination on the basis of age);
- 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);
- 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);
- 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;
- The Federal Aviation Administration’s Non-discrimination statute (49 U.S.C. § 47123) (prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, and sex);
- Executive Order 12898, Federal Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low-Income Populations, which ensures discrimination 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;
- 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);
- 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.*).
- 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);



- 49 CFR Part 26, regulation to ensure nondiscrimination in the award and administration of DOT-assisted contracts in the Department's highway, transit, and airport financial assistance programs, as regards the use of Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBEs);
- Form FHWA-1273, "Required Contract Provisions," a collection of contract provisions and proposal notices that are generally applicable to *all Federal-aid construction projects* and must be made a part of, and physically incorporated into, *all federally-assisted contracts*, as well as appropriate subcontracts and purchase orders, particularly Sections II (Nondiscrimination) and III (Nonsegregated Facilities).

**STANDARD SPECIAL PROVISION****ON-THE-JOB TRAINING**

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

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**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
75 percent	of the journeyman wage for the third quarter of the training period
90 percent	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.

### **STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATOR TITLE CHANGE:**

(9-18-12)

SP1 G185

Revise the *2012 Standard Specifications* as follows:

Replace all references to "State Highway Administrator" with "Chief Engineer".

**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
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\* 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.

\*\* 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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\*\* Dollar Volume of MBE Subcontractor \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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

\*\* Dollar Volume of WBE Subcontractor \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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

WBE 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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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION BID FORM**

WBS Element # 3.106715 & 3.206715

Long-Arm Mowing

Onslow County

LINE #	SECT #	DESCRIPTION	QUANTITY	UNIT	UNIT PRICE	AMOUNT BID
1	800	MOBILIZATION	1	LS		
2	SP	LONG-ARM MOWING, PRIMARY ROUTES	490	SHM		
3	SP	LONG-ARM MOWING, SECONDARY ROUTES (PAVED)	1070	SHM		
4	SP	LONG ARM MOWING SECONDAY (UNPAVED)	84	EACH		
5	SP	LANE CLOSURE	10	HR		
6	SP	GPS OUTFITTING FEE	1	EA		
7	SP	GPS SUBSCRIPTION FEE	1	EA		

***TOTAL BID FOR PROJECT:*** \_\_\_\_\_

CONTRACTOR \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

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Federal Identification Number \_\_\_\_\_

Contractor's License Number \_\_\_\_\_

Authorized Agent \_\_\_\_\_

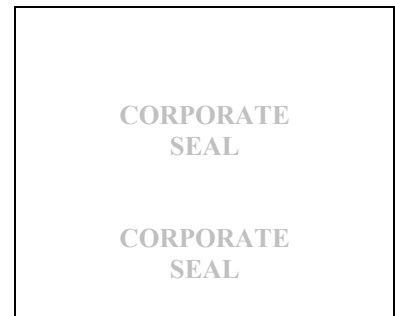
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Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Witness \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_



**Point of Contact for Post-Bid Inquires (e.g., Letters of Intent, Insurance, Bonds, and Contract Execution)**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

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**THIS SECTION TO BE COMPLETED BY NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

*This bid has been reviewed in accordance with Article 103-1 of the Standard Specifications for Roads and Structures 2012.*

*Reviewed by NCDOT* \_\_\_\_\_

*Date* \_\_\_\_\_

*Accepted by NCDOT* \_\_\_\_\_

*Date* \_\_\_\_\_

**EXECUTION OF BID**

**NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT, DEBARMENT CERTIFICATION AND GIFT BAN  
CERTIFICATION**

**CORPORATION**

The person executing the bid, on behalf of the Bidder, being duly sworn, solemnly swears (or affirms) that neither he, nor any official, agent or employee of the bidder 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 bidder has not been convicted of violating *N.C.G.S. § 133-24* within the last three years, and that the Bidder intends to do the work with its own bonafide employees or subcontractors and is not bidding for the benefit of another contractor.

In addition, execution of this bid in the proper manner also constitutes the Bidder's certification of 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.

*N.C.G.S. § 133-32* and Executive Order 24 prohibit the offer to, or acceptance by, any State Employee of any gift from anyone with a contract with the State, or from any person seeking to do business with the State. By execution of any response in this procurement, you attest, for your entire organization and its employees or agents, that you are not aware that any such gift has been offered, accepted, or promised by any employees of your organization.

**SIGNATURE OF CONTRACTOR**

\_\_\_\_\_ Full name of Corporation

\_\_\_\_\_ Address as Prequalified

Attest \_\_\_\_\_  
Secretary/Assistant Secretary  
*Select appropriate title*

By \_\_\_\_\_  
President/Vice President/Assistant Vice President  
*Select appropriate title*

\_\_\_\_\_ Print or type Signer's name

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**CORPORATE SEAL**

**AFFIDAVIT MUST BE NOTARIZED**

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the  
\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_.

**NOTARY SEAL**

\_\_\_\_\_ Signature of Notary Public

of \_\_\_\_\_ County

State of \_\_\_\_\_

My Commission Expires: \_\_\_\_\_

**EXECUTION OF BID  
NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT, DEBARMENT CERTIFICATION AND GIFT BAN  
CERTIFICATION**

**PARTNERSHIP**

The person executing the bid, on behalf of the Bidder, being duly sworn, solemnly swears (or affirms) that neither he, nor any official, agent or employee of the bidder 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 bidder has not been convicted of violating *N.C.G.S. § 133-24* within the last three years, and that the Bidder intends to do the work with its own bonafide employees or subcontractors and is not bidding for the benefit of another contractor.

In addition, execution of this bid in the proper manner also constitutes the Bidder's certification of 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 CONTRACTOR**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Witness

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print or type Signer's name

**AFFIDAVIT MUST BE NOTARIZED**

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_.

**NOTARY SEAL**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Notary Public

of \_\_\_\_\_ County

State of \_\_\_\_\_

My Commission Expires: \_\_\_\_\_

EXECUTION OF BID
NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT, DEBARMENT CERTIFICATION AND GIFT BAN
CERTIFICATION

LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

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SIGNATURE OF CONTRACTOR

Full Name of Firm

Address as Prequalified

Signature of Witness

Signature of Member/Manager/Authorized Agent
Select appropriate title

Print or type Signer's name

Print or type Signer's Name

AFFIDAVIT MUST BE NOTARIZED

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the
day of 20.

NOTARY SEAL

Signature of Notary Public

of County

State of

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EXECUTION OF BID
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CERTIFICATION

JOINT VENTURE (2) or (3)

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SIGNATURE OF CONTRACTOR

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.

Signature of Witness or Attest By Signature of Contractor
Print or type Signer's name Print or type Signer's name
If Corporation, affix Corporate Seal and

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Signature of Witness or Attest By Signature of Contractor
Print or type Signer's name Print or type Signer's name
If Corporation, affix Corporate Seal

NOTARY SEAL
Affidavit must be notarized for Line (2)
Subscribed and sworn to before me this
day of 20
Signature of Notary Public
of County
State of
My Commission Expires:

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Affidavit must be notarized for Line (3)
Subscribed and sworn to before me this
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Signature of Notary Public
of County
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NOTARY SEAL
Affidavit must be notarized for Line (4)
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INDIVIDUAL DOING BUSINESS UNDER A FIRM NAME

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SIGNATURE OF CONTRACTOR

Name of Contractor

Individual name

Trading and doing business as

Full name of Firm

Signature of Witness

Signature of Contractor, Individually

Print or type Signer's name

Print or type Signer's name

AFFIDAVIT MUST BE NOTARIZED

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the

NOTARY SEAL

day of 20.

Signature of Notary Public

of County

State of

My Commission Expires:



**EXECUTION OF BID  
NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT, DEBARMENT CERTIFICATION AND GIFT BAN  
CERTIFICATION**

**INDIVIDUAL DOING BUSINESS IN HIS OWN NAME**

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**SIGNATURE OF CONTRACTOR**

Name of Contractor \_\_\_\_\_  
Print or type Individual name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address as Prequalified

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Contractor, Individually

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print or type Signer's Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Witness

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print or type Signer's name

**AFFIDAVIT MUST BE NOTARIZED**

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_.

**NOTARY SEAL**

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Signature of Notary Public

of \_\_\_\_\_ County

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## 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 affidavit 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.

Execution of Contract

Contract No: D3POC0057

County: Onslow County

ACCEPTED BY THE DEPARTMENT

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Division Contract Engineer

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Date

EXECUTION OF CONTRACT AND BONDS  
APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Division Project Manager

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Date