

Calculation of the Pavement Structure Volume requires running the earthwork quantities calculations twice; once with the Finished grade definition reflecting the top of pavement and the second run reflecting the top of subgrade.

The Pavement Structure Volume is computed as the difference in Excavation Unadjusted Volumes from the Grand Summary Totals for these two earthwork outputs.

The Pavement Structure Volume should be calculated for the -L- line and any -Y- lines that are a significant part of the overall Earthwork quantity.

The following procedure is based on using the standardized level and color symbology as defined in the NCDOT Level/Symbology Chart and utilizing the default parameters in the NCDOT Roadway Design Criteria files.

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### Step 1: Compute the Top of Pavement Earthwork Quantity

Edit the Earthwork Input file to reflect the top of pavement definition. A level & color definition is required.

```
XSECTION
/* Top of Pavement calculations */
earthwork
Tolerance = 0.003
  xs dgn = 1.xsc
  proposed finish grade
  soil type = a2
  fill multiplication factor = 1.15
  type = line
  lv = 2,10
  co = 0-2

  existing ground line
  soil type = a2
  type = line
  lv = 60

write earthwork shapes
plot parameters
  lv = 16
  co = 16
stratify shape color
```

#### Computed values for Top of Surfacing:

| G R A N D | S U M M A R Y | T O T A L S   |                              |                            |             |
|-----------|---------------|---------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------|
|           |               | Material Name | Unadjusted Volumes (cu. yd.) | Adjusted Volumes (cu. yd.) | Mult Factor |
| -----     |               |               |                              |                            |             |
| A2        | Excavation    |               | 41666                        | 41666                      | 1.00        |
|           | Fill          |               |                              | 75694                      | 1.15        |
|           |               |               | 65821                        |                            |             |

### Step 2: Compute the Top of Subgrade Earthwork Quantity

Note: Before proceeding with this step delete the earthwork shapes created in step one.

```
XSECTION
/* Top of Subgrade calculations */

earthwork
Tolerance = 0.003
  xs dgn = 1.xsc
  proposed finish grade
  soil type = a2
```

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fill multiplication factor = 1.15
type = line
lv = 10

co = 2,10
existing ground line
soil type = a2
type = line
lv = 60

write earthwork shapes
plot parameters
lv = 16
co = 16
stratify shape color

```

**Computed values for the Subgrade:**

| G R A N D | S U M M A R Y | T O T A L S   |                              |                            |
|-----------|---------------|---------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|
|           |               | Material Name | Unadjusted Volumes (cu. yd.) | Adjusted Volumes (cu. yd.) |
| -----     |               |               |                              |                            |
| A2        | Excavation    | 45620         | 45620                        | 1.00                       |
|           | Fill          |               | 60700                        | 1.15                       |

**Step 3: Computing the Pavement Structure Volume**

Excavation 45620 CY (Grand Summary Totals- Subgrade Quantities- Step 2)

Excavation 41666 CY (Grand Summary Totals- Top of Pavement Quantities- Step 1)

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3954 CY ( Pavement & Shoulder Material Quantity in the Exc. areas)

**Step 4: Summary of Earthwork**

The computed quantity should be shown at the bottom of the Summary of Earthwork stating which alignments were included in the computation.

Example of note used for -L- line comps only:

Example of note used when -Y- line excavation quantities are a significant part of the total excavation :