**RIPPING:**

**Description**

This work consists of ripping the areas graded for planting with wetland reforestation with a *v* ripper tillage tool.

**Materials**

The *v* ripper tillage tool shall have a minimum of three shanks spaced a maximum of 20 inches apart and have shanks of sufficient length capable of providing a minimum depth of 15 inches. The tractor used to perform this work shall be of sufficient size and horsepower capable of pulling this implement to the minimum specifications stated above.

**Construction Methods**

Upon completion of grading, the areas to be planted with wetland reforestation shall be ripped with a *v* ripper tillage tool to a minimum depth of 15 inches. Each sequential swath of the equipment shall be consistent in spacing and shall have a maximum of 20 inches between swaths.

**Measurement and Payment**

*Ripping* will be measured and paid for as the actual number of acres measured along the surface of the ground, which has been ripped.

Payment will be made under:

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| **Pay Item** | **Pay Unit** |
| Ripping | Acre |