

PRE-LETTING QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

CONTROL: 0013-05-063 etc. COUNTY: Montague AREA OFFICE: Gainesville AO HIGHWAY: US 81, etc.
 PROJECT: STP 2020(981)HES LET DATE: 7/1/2020 AREA ENGINEER: Michael D Hallum, P.E. EMAIL QUESTIONS TO: mike.hallum@txdot.gov

****CHANGES FROM PREVIOUS VERSION HAVE BEEN HIGHLIGHTED BELOW****

PREVIOUS VERSION: 6.29.20 CURRENT VERSION: 7.1.20

#	DATE RECEIVED	STATUS	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	6/26/2020	Complete	Sheet 3 shows the details for the 3' wide mow strip, it does not show any reinforcing requirements, can we use fiber reinforced concrete for this?	In the Spec Book under Item 432.3.1, it states "Concrete Riprap. Reinforce concrete riprap with 6 x 6 - W2.9 x W2.9 welded wire fabric or with No. 3 or No. 4 reinforcing bars spaced at a maximum of 18 in. in each direction unless otherwise shown." There are no General Notes, Details or Standards in the plans that denote any other alternative, therefore the reinforcing requirements will be what is shown in the spec book for Item 432 Concrete Riprap.
2	6/26/2020	Complete	Same sheet 3, the concrete footings are Class A concrete, can we pour the footings and the mow strip at the same time if we use Class A concrete for everything?	I don't see an issue with doing this, but all concrete would need to meet Class A concrete specifications and there would be no extra compensation for doing so.
3	6/26/2020	Complete	Was confused by your note under Item 543 on Sheet D of the plans, are the cable barrier system suppliers listed in the plans acceptable for use on the project?	We have been told they are testing the current cable barrier systems for MASH compliance and they would have results soon. The intent of the note was allow only the use of the ones that were found to be MASH compliant in case the results came out between time the plans were submitted and the time the plans let. As of today, I have no additional information on any of the systems shown in the plans. Based on that, any of the cable barrier system suppliers shown in the plans are acceptable for use on the project.
4	6/29/2020	Complete	What class of concrete will be required for the cable barrier mow strip and cable barrier footings?	Class B for mow strip and Class A for footings. One contractor has asked about using Class A to pour both the mow strip and footings all at once and I responded that would be allowed.
5	6/29/2020	Complete	Will fiber reinforcement be allowed as a substitute for wire mesh?	Previously answered. In the Spec Book under Item 432.3.1, it states "Concrete Riprap. Reinforce concrete riprap with 6 x 6 - W2.9 x W2.9 welded wire fabric or with No. 3 or No. 4 reinforcing bars spaced at a maximum of 18 in. in each direction unless otherwise shown." There are no General Notes, Details or Standards in the plans that denote any other alternative, therefore the reinforcing requirements will be what is shown in the spec book for Item 432 Concrete Riprap.
6	6/29/2020	Complete	Will slip forming the mow strip be allowed?	Yes.
7	7/1/2020	Complete	How is the CY quantity calculated for the mowstrip pay item? Does it include or exclude the concrete posts?	Quantities are based on a 3 feet wide by 4 inches thick by however long it is. The mowstrip is CL B concrete. The concrete foundations for the cable posts are CL A concrete. The concrete footings or foundations are part of the payment for the cable barrier system by the LF. We will not pay for that concrete twice, so payment for the mowstrip will not include the portion that is considered the foundation for the cable barrier post.
8	7/1/2020	Complete	How will the CY quantity be measured and paid? Will it be measured area times plan thickness?	The width and thickness is set by plans. We will measure the width and depth to ensure we are getting what is called out in the plans and then we will measure the length and multiply that by the plan width (3') and the plan depth (4") minus the volume occupied by each concrete foundation for the cable post.
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