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Item 100
Preparing Right of Way

1. DESCRIPTION

Prepare the right of way and designated easements for construction operations by removing and disposing of all obstructions when removal of such obstructions is not specifically shown on the plans to be paid by other Items.

2. CONSTRUCTION

Protect designated features on the right of way and prune trees and shrubs as directed. Do not park equipment, service equipment, store materials, or disturb the root area under the branches of trees designated for preservation. Treat cuts on trees with an approved tree wound dressing within 20 min. of making a pruning cut or otherwise causing damage to the tree when shown on the plans. Follow all local and state regulations when burning. Pile and burn brush at approved locations as directed. Coordinate work with state and federal authorities when working in state or national forests or parks. Test, remove, and dispose of hazardous materials in accordance with Article 6.10., "Hazardous Materials."

Clear areas shown on the plans of all obstructions, except those landscape features that are to be preserved. Such obstructions include remains of houses and other structures, foundations, floor slabs, concrete, brick, lumber, plaster, septic tank drain fields, basements, abandoned utility pipes or conduits, equipment, fences, retaining walls, and other items as specified on the plans. Remove vegetation and other landscape features not designated for preservation, curb and gutter, driveways, paved parking areas, miscellaneous stone, sidewalks, drainage structures, manholes, inlets, abandoned railroad tracks, scrap iron, and debris, whether above or below ground. Removal of live utility facilities is not included in this Item. Remove culverts, storm sewers, manholes, and inlets in proper sequence to maintain traffic and drainage.

Notify the Engineer in writing when items not shown on the plans and not reasonably detectable (buried with no obvious indication of presence) are encountered and required to be removed. These items will be handled in accordance with Article 4.3., "Differing Site Conditions."

Remove obstructions not designated for preservation to 2 ft. below natural ground in areas receiving embankment. Remove obstructions to 2 ft. below the excavation level in areas to be excavated. Remove obstructions to 1 ft. below natural ground in all other areas. Cut trees and stumps off to ground level when allowed by the plans or directed. Plug the remaining ends of abandoned underground structures over 3 in. in diameter with concrete to form a tight closure. Backfill, compact, and restore areas where obstructions have been removed unless otherwise directed. Use approved material for backfilling. Dispose of wells in accordance with Item 103, "Disposal of Wells."

Accept ownership, unless otherwise directed, and dispose of removed materials and debris at locations off the right of way in accordance with local, state, and federal requirements.

3. MEASUREMENT

This Item will be measured by the acre; by the 100-ft. station, regardless of the width of the right of way; or by each tree removed.

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4. PAYMENT

For “acre” and “station” measurement, the work performed in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under “Measurement” will be paid for at the unit price bid for “Preparing Right of Way.” For “each” measurement, the work performed in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under “Measurement” will be paid for at the unit price bid for “Preparing Right of Way (Tree)” of the diameter specified. This price is full compensation for pruning of designated trees and shrubs; removal and disposal of structures and obstructions; backfilling of holes; furnishing and placing concrete for plugs; and equipment, labor, tools, and incidentals.

Total payment of this Item will not exceed 10% of the original contract amount until final acceptance. The remainder will be paid on the estimate after the final acceptance under Article 5.8., “Final Acceptance.”

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Item 103
Disposal of Wells

1. DESCRIPTION

Remove and dispose of contaminated and uncontaminated water, petroleum, or sulfur wells. Remove appurtenances, seal and plug wells, and restore the area. Prepare and file required documents with applicable agencies.

2. CONSTRUCTION

Follow legal responsibilities, construction requirements, and methods in accordance with Article 7.1., "Laws to be Observed," and Article 7.2., "Permits, Licenses and Taxes."

Remove all pump equipment to 3 ft. below the finished subgrade or the existing grade, whichever is lower, and within construction limits. Pump equipment includes pump, piping, motor, housing, well structures, foundations, flumes, windmills, casing, and other projecting objects associated with the well.

All removed items and appurtenances become the property of the Contractor, excluding existing contaminated soil and liquids, after necessary cleaning and disassembling. Dispose of these items in accordance with applicable laws and regulations. Test, remove, and dispose of hazardous materials in accordance with Article 6.10., "Hazardous Materials."

Cap remaining pipe. Submit a "Plugging Report" to the appropriate agency when required by the TCEQ, the TDLR, or the RRC. Furnish a copy to the Engineer. Backfill in accordance with Article 100.2., "Construction," after removing all appurtenances.

2.1. **Water Wells**. Remove all removable casing from water wells, including dry wells and abandoned wells. Pressure-fill the well with a mixture of hydraulic cement and water at a rate of not more than 7 gal. of water per sack of cement from the bottom of the well to the natural ground surface or 3 ft. below the finished subgrade, whichever is lower, according to the requirements of the TDLR. Obtain written approval from TDLR and the Engineer for alternative procedures.

Plug any well located in a cut section up to the proposed earthwork elevation before excavating the cut. Backfill the remainder of the well above the proposed earthwork elevation with earth immediately after plugging a well in a cut section.

2.2. **Petroleum and Sulfur Wells**. Have a contractor from the RRC-approved list plug the well. Empty the contents of petroleum or sulfur wells into approved containers according to applicable regulations. Transport and dispose of the filled containers at an approved disposal facility or recycling center according to applicable regulations. Approved plugging methods include protecting water-bearing strata with cement plugs when shown on the plans, or completely cementing the well.

3. MEASUREMENT

This Item will be measured by each properly plugged and disposed well.

4. PAYMENT

The work performed and materials furnished in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under "Measurement" will be paid for at the unit price bid for "Disposal of Water Wells" or "Disposal of Petroleum or

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Sulfur Wells." This price is full compensation for removing and disposing of appurtenances; plugging; furnishing records; furnishing and placing any material or items; site restoration; and equipment, labor, tools, and incidentals.

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Item 104
Removing Concrete

1. DESCRIPTION

Break, remove, and salvage or dispose of existing hydraulic cement concrete.

2. CONSTRUCTION

Remove existing hydraulic cement concrete from locations shown on the plans. Avoid damaging concrete that will remain in place. Saw-cut and remove the existing concrete to neat lines. Replace any concrete damaged by the Contractor at no expense to the Department. Accept ownership and properly dispose of broken concrete in accordance with federal, state, and local regulations unless otherwise shown on the plans.

3. MEASUREMENT

Removing concrete pavement, floors, porches, patios, riprap, medians, foundations, sidewalks, driveways, and other appurtenances will be measured by the square yard (regardless of thickness) or by the cubic yard of calculated volume, in its original position.

Removing curb, curb and gutter, and concrete traffic barrier will be measured by the foot in its original position. The removal of monolithic concrete curb or dowelled concrete curb will be included in the concrete pavement measurement.

Removing retaining walls will be measured by the square yard along the front face from the top of the wall to the top of the footing.

This is a plans quantity measurement Item. The quantity to be paid is the quantity shown in the proposal, unless modified by Article 9.2., "Plans Quantity Measurement." Additional measurements or calculations will be made if adjustments of quantities are required.

4. PAYMENT

The work performed and materials furnished in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under "Measurement" will be paid for at the unit price bid for "Removing Concrete" of the type specified. This price is full compensation for breaking the concrete; loading, hauling and salvaging or disposing of the material; and equipment, labor, tools, and incidentals.

Removing retaining wall footings will not be paid for directly, but will be considered subsidiary to this Item.

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Item 105

Removing Treated and Untreated Base and Asphalt Pavement

1. DESCRIPTION

Break, remove, and store or dispose of existing asphalt pavement, including surface treatments, and treated or untreated base materials.

2. CONSTRUCTION

Break material retained by the Department into pieces not larger than 24 in. unless otherwise shown on the plans. Remove existing asphalt pavement before disturbing stabilized base. Avoid contamination of the asphalt materials and damage to adjacent areas. Repair material damaged by operations outside the designated locations.

Stockpile materials designated salvageable at designated sites when shown on the plans or as directed. Prepare stockpile site by removing vegetation and trash and by providing for proper drainage. Material not designated to be salvaged will become the property of the Contractor. When this material is disposed of, do so in accordance with federal, state, and local regulations.

3. MEASUREMENT

This Item will be measured by the 100-ft. station along the baseline of each roadbed, by the square yard of existing treated or untreated base and asphalt pavement in its original position, or by the cubic yard of existing treated or untreated base and asphalt pavement in its original position, as calculated by the average end area method. Square yard and cubic yard measurement will be established by the widths and depths shown in the plans and the lengths measured in the field.

4. PAYMENT

The work performed in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under “Measurement” will be paid for at the unit price bid for “Removing Treated and Untreated Base and Asphalt Pavement” of the depth specified. This price is full compensation for breaking the material, loading, hauling, unloading, stockpiling or disposing; repair to areas outside designated locations for removal; and equipment, labor, tools, and incidentals.

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Item 106
Obliterating Abandoned Road

1. DESCRIPTION

Obliterate designated sections of abandoned road.

2. CONSTRUCTION

Strip and windrow existing topsoil before shaping operations. Remove asphaltic pavement in accordance with applicable Item. Remove material designated as salvageable in accordance with applicable Items. Remove abandoned structures unless otherwise shown on the plans. Scarify and mix the abandoned roadbed with soil and blade to produce a smooth, uniform appearance. Fill, cut, and shape the designated sections of the abandoned road to blend into the surrounding terrain. Eliminate ditches except where needed to facilitate drainage. Cover disturbed areas with topsoil after shaping operations to facilitate establishment of vegetation.

3. MEASUREMENT

This Item will be measured by the 100-ft. station along the baseline of the abandoned roadway.

4. PAYMENT

The work performed in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under “Measurement” will be paid for at the unit price bid for “Obliterating Abandoned Road.” This price is full compensation for salvaging and replacing topsoil; stockpiling or disposal of materials; removal of abandoned structures; scarifying, mixing, and shaping abandoned road; furnishing and operating equipment, and labor, tools, and incidentals.

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Item 110
Excavation

1. DESCRIPTION

Excavate areas as shown on the plans or as directed. Remove materials encountered to the lines, grades, and typical sections shown on the plans and cross-sections.

2. CONSTRUCTION

Accept ownership of unsuitable or excess material and dispose of material in accordance with local, state, and federal regulations at locations outside the right of way.

Maintain drainage in the excavated area to avoid damage to the roadway section. Correct any damage to the subgrade caused by weather at no additional cost to the Department.

Shape slopes to avoid loosening material below or outside the proposed grades. Remove and dispose of slides as directed.

2.1. **Rock Cuts**. Excavate to finish subgrade. Manipulate and compact subgrade in accordance with Section 132.3.4., "Compaction Methods," unless excavation is to clean homogenous rock at finish subgrade elevation. Use approved embankment material compacted in accordance with Section 132.3.4., "Compaction Methods," to replace undercut material at no additional cost if excavation extends below finish subgrade.

2.2. **Earth Cuts**. Excavate to finish subgrade. Scarify subgrade to a uniform depth at least 6 in. below finish subgrade elevation in areas where base or pavement structure will be placed on subgrade. Manipulate and compact subgrade in accordance with Section 132.3.4., "Compaction Methods."

Take corrective measures as directed if unsuitable material is encountered below subgrade elevations. **Subgrade Tolerances**. Excavate to within 1/2 in. in cross-section and 1/2 in. in 16 ft. measured longitudinally for turnkey construction. Excavate to within 0.1 ft. in cross-section and 0.1 ft. in 16 ft. measured longitudinally for staged construction.

3. MEASUREMENT

This Item will be measured by the cubic yard in its original position as computed by the method of average end areas.

This is a plans quantity measurement Item. The quantity to be paid is the quantity shown in the proposal unless modified by Article 9.2., "Plans Quantity Measurement." Additional measurements or calculations will be made if adjustments of quantities are required.

Limits of measurement for excavation in retaining wall areas will be as shown on the plans.

Shrinkage or swelling factors will not be considered in determining the calculated quantities.

4. PAYMENT

The work performed and materials furnished in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under "Measurement" will be paid for at the unit price bid for "Excavation (Roadway)," "Excavation (Channel)," "Excavation (Special)," or "Excavation (Roadway and Channel)." This price is full compensation for

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authorized excavation; drying; undercutting subgrade and reworking or replacing the undercut material in rock cuts; hauling; disposal of material not used elsewhere on the project; scarification and compaction; and equipment, labor, materials, tools, and incidentals.

Drying required deeper than 6 in. below subgrade elevation will be paid for in accordance with Article 9.4., "Payment for Extra Work." Excavation and replacement of unsuitable material below subgrade elevations will be performed and paid for in accordance with the applicable bid items. However, if Item 132, "Embankment," is not included in the Contract, payment for replacement of unsuitable material will be paid for in accordance with Article 9.4., "Payment for Extra Work."

When a slide not due to the Contractor's negligence or operation occurs, payments for removal and disposal of the slide material will be in accordance with Article 9.4., "Payment for Extra Work." Excavation in backfill areas of retaining walls will not be measured or paid for directly but will be subsidiary to pertinent Items.

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Item 112
Subgrade Widening

1. DESCRIPTION

Widen the existing subgrade in accordance with the typical sections.

2. MATERIALS

Furnish water in accordance with Article 204.2., "Materials."

3. CONSTRUCTION

3.1. **Preparation of Embankment**. Scarify to a depth of at least 6 in. into existing adjacent embankment slopes before fill is placed.

3.2. **Pavement Structure Removal**. Remove material along the edge of the existing pavement. Provide a smooth vertical cut unless otherwise shown on the plans. Conform to the typical sections for the limits of removal unless directed otherwise. Accept ownership of excess material not used in the construction of the subgrade widening. Dispose of excess material in accordance with federal, state, and local regulations.

3.3. **Widening**. Remove material in cut sections, and move to fill sections within the project. Use material from cut sections for embankment. Place the material in fill sections in successive lifts to the line and grades shown on the typical sections. Provide additional embankment in accordance with the applicable bid item or Article 9.4., "Payment for Extra Work," if all excavation has been performed and additional embankment is required to complete the work.

3.4. **Compaction**. Compact the widened subgrade in accordance with Article 132.3., "Construction."

4. MEASUREMENT

This Item will be measured by the 100-ft. station along the baseline of each roadbed.

This is a plans quantity measurement Item. The quantity to be paid is the quantity shown in the proposal, unless modified by Article 9.2., "Plans Quantity Measurement." Additional measurements or calculations will be made if adjustments of quantities are required.

5. PAYMENT

The work performed and materials furnished in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under "Measurement" will be paid for at the unit price bid for "Subgrade Widening (Ordinary Compaction)" or "Subgrade Widening (Density Control)." This price is full compensation for excavation; hauling of embankment material from cuts to fills; finishing of the subgrade widening; hauling and disposing of excess excavated material; furnishing and operating equipment; scarifying; shaping; and labor, fuel, materials, tools, and incidentals.

No payment will be made for thickness or width exceeding that shown on the typical sections. "Sprinkling" and "Rolling" will not be paid for directly but will be considered subsidiary to this Item.

Corrections of unstable areas in the widened subgrade will be at the Contractor's expense. In a cut section, work involved in removing and replacing unsuitable material encountered below the finished subgrade will be

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paid for as specified under Item 110, “Excavation,” when included; otherwise it will be paid for under Article 9.4., “Payment for Extra Work.”

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Item 132
Embankment

1. DESCRIPTION

Furnish, place, and compact materials for construction of roadways, embankments, levees, dikes, or any designated section of the roadway where additional material is required.

2. MATERIALS

Furnish approved material capable of forming a stable embankment from required excavation in the areas shown on the plans or from sources outside the right of way. Provide one or more of the following types as shown on the plans:

- **Type A**. Granular material that is free from vegetation or other objectionable material and meets the requirements of Table 1.

Table 1
Testing Requirements

Property	Test Method	Specification Limit
Liquid limit	Tex-104-E	≤ 45
Plasticity index (PI)	Tex-106-E	≤ 15
Bar linear shrinkage	Tex-107-E	≥ 2

Perform the Linear Shrinkage test only as indicated in Tex-104-E.

- **Type B**. Materials such as rock, loam, clay, or other approved materials.
- **Type C**. Material meeting the specification requirements shown on the plans.
- **Type D**. Material from required excavation areas shown on the plans.

Meet the requirements of the pertinent retaining wall Items for retaining wall backfill material.

3. CONSTRUCTION

Meet the requirements of Item 7, "Legal Relations and Responsibilities to the Public," when off right of way sources are used. Notify the Engineer before opening a material source to allow for required testing. Complete preparation of the right of way in accordance with Item 100, "Preparing Right of Way," for areas to receive embankment.

Backfill tree-stump holes or other minor excavations with approved material and tamp. Restore the ground surface, including any material disked loose or washed out, to its original slope. Compact the ground surface by sprinkling in accordance with Item 204, "Sprinkling," and by rolling using equipment complying with Item 210, "Rolling," when directed.

Scarify and loosen the unpaved surface areas, except rock, to a depth of at least 6 in. unless otherwise shown on the plans. Bench slopes before placing material. Begin placement of material at the toe of slopes. Do not place trees, stumps, roots, vegetation, or other objectionable material in the embankment. Simultaneously recompact scarified material with the placed embankment material. Do not exceed the layer depth specified in Section 132.3.4., "Compaction Methods."

Construct embankments to the grade and sections shown on the plans. Construct the embankment in layers approximately parallel to the finished grade for the full width of the individual roadway cross-sections unless otherwise shown on the plans. Ensure that each section of the embankment conforms to the detailed sections or slopes. Maintain the finished section, density, and grade until the project is accepted.

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3.1. **Earth Embankments**. Earth embankment is mainly composed of material other than rock. Construct embankments in successive layers, evenly distributing materials in lengths suited for sprinkling and rolling.

Treat material with calcium-based additives in accordance with Section 260.2.3., "Flexible Base," when required. Obtain approval to incorporate rock and broken concrete produced by the construction project in the lower layers of the embankment. Place the rock and concrete outside the limits of the completed roadbed when the size of approved rock or broken concrete exceeds the layer thickness requirements in Section 132.3.4., "Compaction Methods." Cut and remove all exposed reinforcing steel from the broken concrete.

Move the material dumped in piles or windrows by blading or by similar methods and incorporate it into uniform layers. Featheredge or mix abutting layers of dissimilar material for at least 100 ft. to ensure there are no abrupt changes in the material. Break down clods or lumps of material and mix embankment until a uniform material is attained.

Apply water free of industrial wastes and other objectionable matter to achieve the uniform moisture content specified for compaction.

Roll and sprinkle each embankment layer in accordance with Section 132.3.4.1., "Ordinary Compaction," when ordinary compaction is specified. Compact the layer to the required density in accordance with Section 132.3.4.2., "Density Control," when density control is specified.

3.2. **Rock Embankments**. Rock embankment is mainly composed of rock. Construct rock embankments in successive layers for the full width of the roadway cross-section with a depth of 18 in. or less. Increase the layer depth for large rock sizes as approved. Do not exceed a depth of 2-1/2 ft. in any case. Fill voids created by the large stone matrix with smaller stones during the placement and filling operations.

Ensure the depth of the embankment layer is greater than the maximum dimension of any rock. Do not place rock greater than 2 ft. in its maximum dimension, unless otherwise approved. Construct the final layer with graded material so that the density and uniformity is in accordance with Section 132.3.4., "Compaction Methods." Break up exposed oversized material as approved.

Roll and sprinkle each embankment layer in accordance with Section 132.3.4.1., "Ordinary Compaction," when ordinary compaction is specified. Compact each layer to the required density in accordance with Section 132.3.4.2., "Density Control," when density control is specified. Proof-roll each rock layer as directed, where density testing is not possible, in accordance with Item 216, "Proof Rolling," to ensure proper compaction.

3.3. **Embankments Adjacent to Culverts and Bridges**. Compact embankments adjacent to culverts and bridges in accordance with Item 400, "Excavation and Backfill for Structures."

3.4. **Compaction Methods**. Begin rolling longitudinally at the sides and proceed toward the center, overlapping on successive trips by at least 1/2 the width of the roller. Begin rolling at the lower side and progress toward the high side on super elevated curves. Alternate roller trips to attain slightly different lengths. Compact embankments in accordance with Section 132.4.1., "Ordinary Compaction," or Section 132.3.4.2., "Density Control," as shown on the plans.

3.4.1. **Ordinary Compaction**. Use approved rolling equipment complying with Item 210, "Rolling," to compact each layer. Use specific equipment when required by the plans or the Engineer. Do not allow the loose depth of any layer to exceed 8 in., unless otherwise approved. Bring each layer to the moisture content directed before and during rolling operations. Compact each layer until there is no evidence of further consolidation. Maintain a level layer to ensure uniform compaction. Recompact and refinish the subgrade at no additional expense to the Department if the required stability or finish is lost for any reason.

3.4.2. **Density Control**. Compact each layer to the required density using equipment complying with Item 210, "Rolling." Determine the maximum lift thickness based on the ability of the compacting operation and

equipment to meet the required density. Do not exceed layer thickness of 16 in. loose or 12 in. compacted material unless otherwise approved. Maintain a level layer to ensure uniform compaction.

The Engineer will use Tex-114-E to determine the maximum dry density (D_a) and optimum moisture content (W_{opt}). Meet the requirements for field density and moisture content in Table 2 unless otherwise shown on the plans.

Table 2
Field Density Control Requirements

Description	Density	Moisture Content
	Tex-115-E	
PI ≤ 15	≥ 98% D_a	
15 < PI ≤ 35	≥ 98% D_a and ≤ 102% D_a	≥ $W_{opt.}$
PI > 35	≥ 95% D_a and ≤ 100% D_a	≥ $W_{opt.}$

Each layer is subject to testing by the Engineer for density and moisture content. During compaction, the moisture content of the soil should not exceed the value shown on the moisture-density curve, above optimum, required to achieve

- 98% dry density for soils with a PI greater than 15 but less than or equal to 35 or
- 95% dry density for soils with PI greater than 35.

Remove small areas of the layer to allow for density tests as required. Replace the removed material and recompact at no additional expense to the Department. Proof-roll in accordance with Item 216, "Proof Rolling," when shown on the plans or as directed. Correct soft spots as directed.

3.5. **Maintenance of Moisture and Reworking**. Maintain the density and moisture content once all requirements in Table 2 are met. Maintain the moisture content no lower than 4% below optimum for soils with a PI greater than 15. Rework the material to obtain the specified compaction when the material loses the required stability, density, moisture, or finish. Alter the compaction methods and procedures on subsequent work to obtain specified density as directed.

3.6. **Acceptance Criteria**.

3.6.1. **Grade Tolerances**.

3.6.1.1. **Staged Construction**. Grade to within 0.1 ft. in the cross-section and 0.1 ft. in 16 ft. measured longitudinally.

3.6.1.2. **Turnkey Construction**. Grade to within 1/2 in. in the cross-section and 1/2 in. in 16 ft. measured longitudinally.

3.6.2. **Gradation Tolerances**. Ensure no more than 1 of the 5 most recent gradation tests is outside the specified limits on any individual sieve by more than 5% when gradation requirements are shown on the plans.

3.6.3. **Density Tolerances**. Ensure no more than 1 of the 5 most recent density tests for compaction work is outside the specified density limits, and no test is outside the limits by more than 3 pcf.

3.6.4. **Plasticity Tolerances**. Ensure no more than 1 of the 5 most recent PI tests for material is outside the specified limit by more than 2 points.

4. MEASUREMENT

Embankment will be measured by the cubic yard. Measurement will be further defined for payment as follows:

4.1. **Final**. The cubic yard will be measured in its final position using the average end area method. The volume is computed between the original ground surface or the surface upon which the embankment is to be constructed and the lines, grades, and slopes of the embankment. In areas of salvaged topsoil, payment for

embankment will be made in accordance with Item 160, "Topsoil." Shrinkage or swell factors will not be considered in determining the calculated quantities.

4.2. **Original**. The cubic yard will be measured in its original and natural position using the average end area method.

4.3. **Vehicle**. The cubic yard will be measured in vehicles at the point of delivery.

When measured by the cubic yard in its final position, this is a plans quantity measurement Item. The quantity to be paid is the quantity shown in the proposal, unless modified by Article 9.2., "Plans Quantity Measurement." Additional measurements or calculations will be made if adjustments of quantities are required.

Shrinkage or swell factors are the Contractor's responsibility. When shown on the plans, factors are for informational purposes only.

Measurement of retaining wall backfill in embankment areas is paid for as embankment unless otherwise shown on the plans. Limits of measurement for embankment in retaining wall areas are shown on the plans.

5. PAYMENT

The work performed and materials furnished in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under "Measurement" will be paid for at the unit price bid for "Embankment (Final)," "Embankment (Original)," or "Embankment (Vehicle)" of the compaction method and type specified. This price is full compensation for furnishing embankment; hauling; placing, compacting, finishing, and reworking; disposal of waste material; and equipment, labor, tools, and incidentals.

When proof rolling is directed, it will be paid for in accordance with Item 216, "Proof Rolling."

All sprinkling and rolling, except proof rolling, will not be paid for directly, but will be considered subsidiary to this Item, unless otherwise shown on the plans.

Where subgrade is constructed under this Contract, correction of soft spots in the subgrade will be at the Contractor's expense. Where subgrade is not constructed under this Contract, correction of soft spots in the subgrade will be paid in accordance with Article 9.4., "Payment for Extra Work."

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Item 134
Backfilling Pavement Edges

1. DESCRIPTION

Backfill pavement edges in conformance with the typical sections shown on the plans.

2. MATERIALS

2.1. **Backfill Material**. Use backfill material capable of sustaining vegetation unless otherwise specified on the plans. Furnish backfill material of one of the following types:

2.1.1. **Type A**. Backfill secured from a source outside the right of way and according to the requirements as shown on the plans.

2.1.2. **Type B**. Backfill secured from within the existing right of way as shown on the plans or as directed.

2.1.3. **Type C**. Mulch sodding backfill secured from an approved source in accordance with Section 162.2.2., "Mulch Sod."

2.2. **Emulsified Asphalt**. Furnish the type specified on the plans and meeting the requirements of Item 300, "Asphalts, Oils, and Emulsions."

2.3. **Fertilizer**. Furnish fertilizer in accordance with Article 166.2., "Materials," if specified on the plans.

2.4. **Water**. Furnish water required for proper compaction, promotion of plant growth, or emulsion dilution in accordance with Article 168.2., "Materials."

3. CONSTRUCTION

Haul the backfill material to the required location before placing the finish surface course unless directed otherwise. Spread, compact, and shape the backfill material in accordance with the typical sections after placing the finish surface course. Do not drag, push, or scrape material across completed pavement.

3.1. **Types A and B Backfill**. Bring the backfill material to the approved moisture content. Shape to the lines and grades shown on the plans, and compact as directed. Blade the roadway side-slopes to a smooth surface after compacting the backfill.

3.2. **Type C Backfill**. Place mulch sod in a uniform windrow, and keep moist as directed. Cultivate the area to receive mulch sod to a depth of 4 in. Blade and shape the mulch sod across the area in varying depths as shown on the typical sections to produce a smooth and uniform slope. Roll with a light roller or other suitable equipment. Moisten to the maximum depth of the backfill, after applying fertilizer, as directed.

3.3. **Fertilizer**. Distribute fertilizer uniformly in accordance with Article 166.3., "Construction," after final finishing of the backfill material when fertilizer is specified on the plans. Moisten to a depth of 4 in. or to the maximum depth of the backfill, whichever is less, after applying fertilizer.

3.4. **Emulsified Asphalt**. Apply the emulsified asphalt mixture in accordance with Article 314.4., "Construction," after final finishing of the backfill material, at the specified amount and rate of application as shown on the plans.

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4. MEASUREMENT

This Item will be measured by the 100-ft. station along the baseline of each roadbed.

5. PAYMENT

The work performed and materials furnished in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under "Measurement" will be paid for at the unit price bid for "Backfill" of the type specified. This price is full compensation for furnishing the emulsified asphalt, water, fertilizer, and backfill material; and for equipment, labor, materials, tools, and incidentals.

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Item 150
Blading

1. DESCRIPTION

Blade portions of the project limits as shown on the plans or as directed.

2. EQUIPMENT

Provide equipment able to effectively produce the desired results. Use a dual or four-wheel drive power maintainer equipped with pneumatic tires, a blade at least 12 ft. in length, and a wheelbase of no less than 16 ft. when work is measured and paid by the number of hours of blading. Provide a scarifier if the maintainer is not equipped with a scarifier attachment.

3. CONSTRUCTION

Blade all areas to the section, line, and grade shown on the plans. Use a scarifier when necessary to loosen materials before blading. Use hand methods or other means around structures, trees, and other obstructions if doing the work with a blade is impractical. Do not drag, push, or scrape material along or across completed pavement.

4. MEASUREMENT

This Item will be measured by the 100-ft. station along the base line of each roadbed or by the number of hours of blading, including scarifying, performed.

5. PAYMENT

The work performed in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under “Measurement” will be paid for at the unit price bid for “Blading.” This price is full compensation for furnishing and operating equipment and for labor, materials, tools, and incidentals.

Work done by hand labor methods adjacent to structures, trees, and other obstructions is not paid for directly, but will be considered subsidiary to this Item. Work performed under this Item will not include work specified for payment under other Items.

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Item 152
Road Grader Work

1. DESCRIPTION

Construct subgrade and adjacent slopes. Construct portions of the roadway according to the typical sections as shown on the plans where finished grade is uncontrolled. Move earthwork of minor volumes and for short distances only. Move earthwork within the limits as shown on the plans and in at least 500-ft. sections, except on bridge projects.

2. EQUIPMENT

Provide equipment in accordance with Article 150.2., "Equipment."

3. CONSTRUCTION

Remove or rework unsuitable or unstable materials in accordance with Article 110.2., "Construction," or as directed. Grade the roadway and shape to the typical sections shown on the plans. Finish to a profile uniform and consistent with the topography. Scarify existing natural ground or roadbed and compact in accordance with the method shown on the plans and as outlined in Article 132.3., "Construction." Supplement "Road Grader Work" with Item 154, "Scraper Work," Item 156, "Bulldozer Work," or both when shown on the plans. Perform work in accordance with the requirements of the governing Item.

4. MEASUREMENT

This Item will be measured by the 100-ft. station as measured along the baseline of each roadbed or by the square yard.

5. PAYMENT

The work performed in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under "Measurement" will be paid for at the unit price bid for "Road Grader Work (Ordinary Compaction)" or "Road Grader Work (Density Control)." This price is full compensation for furnishing and operating equipment and for labor, materials, tools, and incidentals.

"Sprinkling" and "Rolling" will not be paid for directly but will be subsidiary to this Item. All work involved in removing and replacing or reworking unsuitable or unstable material will be paid for as specified under Item 110, "Excavation," when the Contract includes bid items governed by Item 110, "Excavation," otherwise it will be paid for under Article 9.4., "Payment for Extra Work." The work performed under this Item will not include work specified for payment under other Items.

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Item 154
Scraper Work

1. DESCRIPTION

Excavate, remove, utilize, or dispose of materials with a scraper. Construct, shape, and rough in earthwork in conformity with the required lines, grades, and typical sections as shown on the plans, or as directed.

2. EQUIPMENT

Use a scraper with a minimum 7.5-cu. yd. flush capacity. Provide a scraper capable of self-loading, or provide power equipment for the scraper to load to capacity. A scraper unit consists of the scraper and any power units necessary.

3. CONSTRUCTION

Perform "Scraper Work" on the areas shown on the plans or as directed. Use suitable excavated materials, including topsoil, for constructing the required roadway sections. Compact embankment in accordance with methods shown on the plans and as outlined in Article 132.3., "Construction." All excavated material becomes the property of the Contractor unless otherwise shown on the plans. Properly dispose of excess excavated material in accordance with federal, state, and local requirements at locations outside the right of way.

Rough in with "Scraper Work." Finish in accordance with Item 150, "Blading," or Item 152, "Road Grader Work," where plans designate "Scraper Work" and either "Blading" or "Road Grader Work" within the same limits.

4. MEASUREMENT

This Item will be measured by the cubic yard hour. A scraper unit cubic yard hour is the flush capacity of the scraper in cubic yards or 70% of the manufacturer's heaped capacity, whichever is less, multiplied by the actual number of hours of scraper work performed.

5. PAYMENT

The work performed in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under "Measurement" will be paid for at the unit price bid for "Scraper Work (Ordinary Compaction)" or "Scraper Work (Density Control)." This price is full compensation for equipment, material removal and disposal, hauling, labor, materials, tools, and incidentals.

"Sprinkling" and "Rolling" will not be paid for directly, but will be subsidiary to this Item. The work performed under this Item will not include work specified for payment under other Items.

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Item 156
Bulldozer Work

1. DESCRIPTION

Excavate, remove, utilize, or dispose of materials with a bulldozer. Construct, shape, and finish earthwork in conformity with the required lines, grades, and typical cross-sections as shown on the plans, or as directed.

2. EQUIPMENT

Use a tractor, crawler, or rubber tired type with a blade attachment at least 8 ft. long. Use a scarifier or ripper with the required tractor when necessary. Use equipment of the type specified on the plans, meeting the following requirements:

2.1. **Type A**. Manufacturer's rated net flywheel power of less than 150 horsepower based on SAE standard J1349.

2.2. **Type B**. Manufacturer's rated net flywheel power of 150 or greater horsepower based on SAE standard J1349.

3. CONSTRUCTION

Perform bulldozer work on the areas as specified on the plans, utilizing equipment as specified above. Rough in with bulldozer work where plans designate "Bulldozer Work" and "Blading," or "Road Grader Work," within the same limits. Finish in accordance with specifications for "Blading" or "Road Grader Work." Compact embankment to ordinary compaction in accordance with Item 132, "Embankment," unless otherwise shown on the plans.

4. MEASUREMENT

This Item will be measured by the actual number of hours of use of the specified type of equipment operated.

5. PAYMENT

The work performed in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under "Measurement" will be paid for at the unit price bid for "Bulldozer Work." This price is full compensation for furnishing and operating equipment, labor, materials, tools, and incidentals. "Sprinkling" and "Rolling" will not be paid for directly, but will be subsidiary to this Item. Work performed under this Item will not include work specified for payment under other Items.

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Item 158
Specialized Excavation Work

1. DESCRIPTION

Excavate, remove, use, or dispose of materials for erosion control or other specialized needs. Construct, shape, and rough in earthwork in conformance with the required lines, grades, and typical sections as shown on the plans, or as directed.

2. EQUIPMENT

Use equipment of the type specified on the plans unless otherwise approved. Use equipment that is able to consistently and efficiently produce the desired results.

2.1. **Dragline**. Self-propelled dragline with a minimum 1/2-cu. yd. bucket.

2.2. **Backhoe**. Tractor-mounted backhoe capable of excavating a trench at least 12 in. wide in one pass.

2.3. **Hydraulic Excavator**. Hydraulic excavator with a retractable, telescoping, rotatable boom attached to an interchangeable excavating or grading bucket at least 36 in. wide. The entire excavating mechanism must be mounted on a platform that rotates on a turntable assembly.

2.4. **Front-End Loader**. Tractor-mounted front-end loader with a minimum bucket capacity of 1-1/4 cu. yd.

3. CONSTRUCTION

Perform "Specialized Excavation Work" on the areas shown on the plans or as directed. Use suitable excavated materials, including topsoil, for constructing the required roadway sections. Compact material placed in embankment to ordinary compaction in accordance with Article 132.3., "Construction," unless otherwise shown on the plans. Accept ownership of all excavated material unless otherwise shown on the plans. Stockpile materials designated salvageable at designated sites. Properly dispose of excess excavated material in accordance with local, state, and federal requirements at locations outside the right of way.

4. MEASUREMENT

This Item will be measured by the hour of work performed for specified equipment or by the cubic yard. Measurement by the cubic yard will be further defined as follows:

4.1. **Original**. The cubic yard will be measured in its original position as computed by the method of average end areas.

4.2. **Vehicle**. The cubic yard will be measured in vehicles at the point of excavation.

5. PAYMENT

The work performed in accordance with this Item and measured by the hour as provided under "Measurement" will be paid for at the unit price bid for "Specialized Excavation Work" of the equipment type specified or; for cubic yard measurement, payment will be made at the unit price bid for "Specialized Excavation Work (Original)," or "Specialized Excavation Work (Vehicle)." This price is full compensation for hauling and disposing or stockpiling of excess materials and for equipment, labor, materials, tools, and incidentals. "Sprinkling" and "Rolling" will not be paid for directly, but will be subsidiary to this Item.

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Item 160
Topsoil

1. DESCRIPTION

Furnish and place topsoil to the depths and on the areas shown on the plans.

2. MATERIALS

Use easily cultivated, fertile topsoil that is free from objectionable material and resists erosion. Obtain topsoil from the right of way at sites of proposed excavation or embankment when specified on the plans, or as directed. Secure additional topsoil, if necessary, from approved sources outside the right of way in accordance with the requirements of Article 7.19., "Preservation of Cultural and Natural Resources and the Environment." Ensure that the topsoil obtained from sites outside the right of way has a pH of 5.5 to 8.5, per Tex-128-E. Topsoil is subject to testing by the Engineer. Furnish water in accordance with Article 168.2., "Materials."

3. CONSTRUCTION

Remove and dispose of objectionable material from the topsoil source before beginning the work. Stockpile topsoil, when necessary, in a windrow at designated locations along the right of way line or as directed. Keep source and stockpile areas drained during the period of topsoil removal and leave them in a neat condition when removal is complete. Cultivate the area to a depth of 4 in. before placing topsoil. Spread the topsoil to a uniform loose cover at the thickness specified. Place and shape the topsoil as directed. Water and roll the topsoil with a light roller or other suitable equipment.

4. MEASUREMENT

This Item will be measured by the 100-ft. station along the baseline of each roadbed, by the square yard complete in place, or by the cubic yard in vehicles at the point of delivery.

5. PAYMENT

The work performed and the materials furnished in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under "Measurement" will be paid for at the unit price bid for "Furnishing and Placing Topsoil" of the depth specified on the plans (except for measurement by the cubic yard). This price is full compensation for securing necessary sources and royalties; furnishing topsoil; excavation, loading, hauling, stockpiling and placing; watering; rolling; and equipment, labor, materials, tools, and incidentals. Limits of excavation and embankment for payment are shown in Figure 1.

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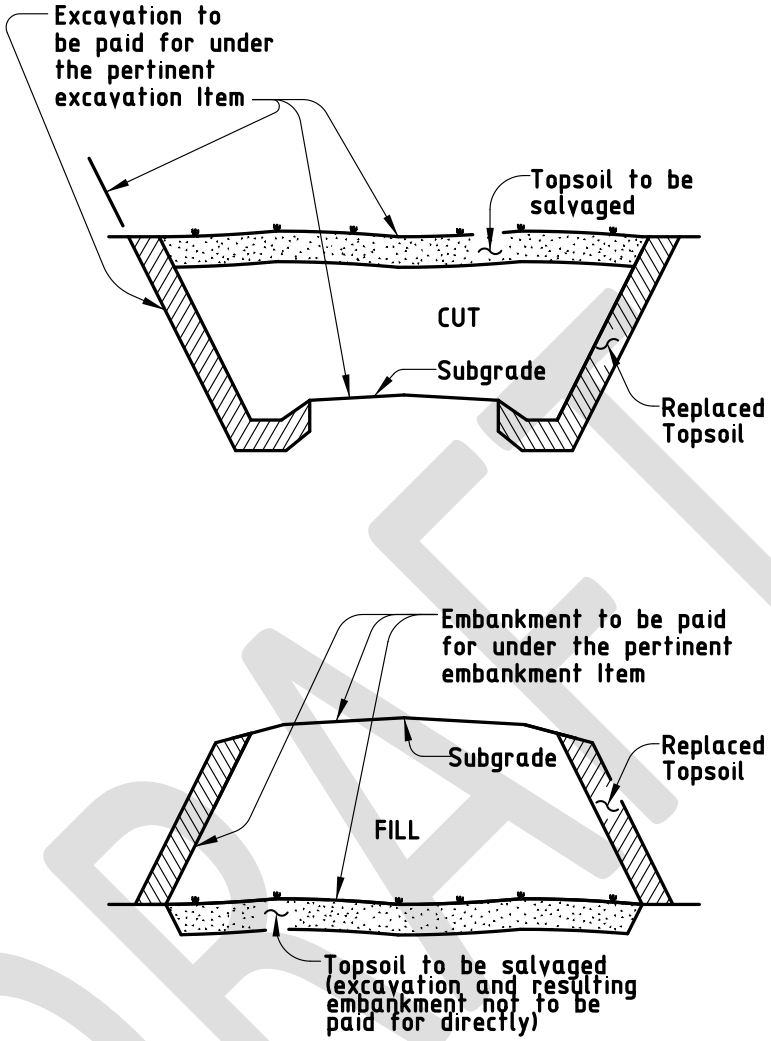

Figure 1

Roadway cross sections showing payment for excavation and embankment.

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Item 161
Compost

1. DESCRIPTION

Furnish and place compost as shown on the plans.

2. MATERIALS

Furnish compost that has been produced by aerobic (biological) decomposition of organic matter and meets the requirements of Table 1. Compost feedstock may include, but is not limited to, leaves and yard trimmings, biosolids, food scraps, food-processing residuals, manure or other agricultural residuals, forest residues, bark, and paper. Ensure compost and wood chips do not contain any visible refuse, other physical contaminants, or any substance considered harmful to plant growth. Do not use materials that have been treated with chemical preservatives as a compost feedstock or as wood chips. Do not use mixed municipal solid waste compost. Provide compost meeting all applicable 40 CFR 503 standards for Class A biosolids and TCEQ health and safety regulations as defined in the TAC, Chapter 332, including the time and temperature standards in Subchapter B, Part 23. Meet the requirements of the United States Composting Council (USCC) Seal of Testing Assurance (STA) program.

Before delivery of the compost, provide quality control (QC) documentation that includes the following:

- the feedstock by percentage in the final compost product,
- a statement that the compost meets federal and state health and safety regulations,
- a statement that the composting process has met time and temperature requirements,
- a copy of the producer's STA certification, and
- a copy of the lab analysis, performed by an STA-certified lab, verifying that the compost meets the requirements of Table 1.

Provide a copy of the current TCEQ compliance statement signed by the facility manager when furnishing biosolids compost.

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Table 1
Physical Requirements for Compost

Property	Test Method	Requirement
Particle Size	TMECC[1] 02.02-B, "Sample Sieving for Aggregate Size Classification"	95% passing 5/8 in. 70% passing 3/8 in.
Heavy Metals Content	TMECC 04.06, "Heavy Metals and Hazardous Elements": 04.06-As, Arsenic 04.06-Cd, Cadmium 04.06-Cu, Copper 04.06-Pb, Lead 04.06-Hg, Mercury 04.06-Mo, Molybdenum 04.06-Ni, Nickel 04.06-Se, Selenium 04.06-Zn, Zinc	Pass
Salinity	TMECC 04.10-A, "1:5 Slurry Method, Mass Basis"	5.0 dS/m Max[2]
pH	TMECC 04.11-A, "1:5 Slurry pH"	5.5-8.5
Maturity	TMECC 05.05-A, "% Emergence and Relative Seedling Vigor"	> 80%
Organic Matter Content	TMECC 05.07-A, "Loss-On-Ignition Organic Matter Method"	25-65% (dry mass)
Stability	TMECC 05.08-B, "Carbon Dioxide Evolution Rate"	≤ 8
Fecal Coliform	TMECC 07.01-B, "Fecal Coliforms"	1,000 MPN/g Max

1. *Test Methods for the Examination of Composting and Compost,* published by the United States Department of Agriculture and the USCC.
2. A soluble salt content up to 10.0 dS/m for compost used in compost-manufactured topsoil will be acceptable.

Maintain compost in designated stockpiles at the producer's site. The Department reserves the right to sample compost at the jobsite. Material may be tested to verify compliance with this Specification by an STA-certified lab. Make payment to the STA-certified lab approved by the Department. Submit lab invoices for passing tests to the Department for reimbursement. Maintain a complete record of all test reports for the previous and current calendar year.

2.1. **Compost Manufactured Topsoil (CMT)**. Use CMT consisting of 75% topsoil blended with 25% compost measured by volume. Use topsoil conforming to Article 160.2., "Materials."

2.2. **Erosion Control Compost (ECC)**. Use ECC consisting of 50% untreated wood chips blended with 50% compost measured by volume. Use wood chips less than or equal to 5 in. in length with 95% passing a 2-in. screen and less than 30% passing a 1-in. screen.

2.3. **General Use Compost (GUC)**. Use GUC consisting of 100% compost.

3. CONSTRUCTION

Prepare the types of compost for use on the project and stockpile at the jobsite.

3.1. **Compost Manufactured Topsoil (CMT)**. After excavation and embankment work is complete, remove and dispose of objectionable material from the topsoil before blending. Utilize equipment capable of blending CMT uniformly to the full depth as specified. Roll the CMT with a light corrugated drum.

3.2. **Erosion Control Compost (ECC)**. Use only on slopes 3:1 or flatter. Apply a 2-in. uniform layer after excavation and embankment work is complete unless otherwise shown on the plans or directed. Use a light roller or other suitable equipment when rolling is specified.

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3.3. **General Use Compost (GUC)**. Apply in a uniform layer as a top dressing on established vegetation to the depth shown on the plans. Do not bury existing vegetation. Apply GUC as a backfill ingredient, in a planting soil mixture, for planting bed preparation, or as mulch, when shown on the plans.

4. MEASUREMENT

This Item will be measured by the 100-ft. station along the baseline of each roadbed, by the square yard complete in place, or by the cubic yard in vehicles at the point of delivery.

For ECC cubic yard measurement, the quantity will be the composite material, compost and topsoil or wood chips.

5. PAYMENT

The work performed and materials furnished in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under "Measurement" will be paid for at the unit price bid for "Compost Manufactured Topsoil," "Erosion Control Compost," and "General Use Compost" as follows:

For measurement by the station and square yard, payment will be for the depth specified;

For measurement by the cubic yard, payment will be made for material measured in vehicles.

This price is full compensation for loading, hauling, stockpiling, blending, placing, rolling, sprinkling, equipment, labor, materials (including topsoil for CMT and wood chips for ECC), tools, and incidentals. Costs associated with passing quality assurance (QA) testing will be paid for in accordance with the requirements of Article 9.5., "Force Account," at invoice price with no add-ons.

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Item 162
Sodding for Erosion Control

1. DESCRIPTION

Provide and install grass sod as shown on the plans or as directed.

2. MATERIALS

Use live, growing grass sod of the type specified on the plans. Use grass sod with a healthy root system and dense matted roots throughout the soil of the sod for a minimum thickness of 1 in. Do not use sod from areas where the grass is thinned out. Keep sod material moist from the time it is dug until it is planted. Grass sod with dried roots is unacceptable.

2.1. **Block Sod**. Use block, rolled, or solid sod free from noxious weeds, Johnson grass, other grasses, or any matter deleterious to the growth and subsistence of the sod.

2.2. **Mulch Sod**. Use mulch sod from an approved source, free from noxious weeds, Johnson grass, other grasses, or any matter deleterious to the growth and subsistence of the sod.

2.3. **Fertilizer**. Furnish fertilizer in accordance with Article 166.2., "Materials."

2.4. **Water**. Furnish water in accordance with Article 168.2., "Materials."

2.5. **Mulch**. Use straw mulch consisting of oat, wheat, or rice straw or hay mulch of either Bermudagrass or prairie grasses. Use straw or hay mulch free of Johnson grass and other noxious and foreign materials. Keep the mulch dry and do not use molded or rotted material.

2.6. **Tacking Methods**. Use a tacking agent applied in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations or a crimping method on all straw or hay mulch operations. Use tacking agents as approved or as specified on the plans.

3. CONSTRUCTION

Cultivate the area to a depth of 4 in. before placing the sod. Plant the sod specified and mulch, if required, after the area has been completed to lines and grades as shown on the plans. Apply fertilizer uniformly over the entire area in accordance with Article 166.3., "Construction," and water in accordance with Article 168.3., "Construction." Plant between the average date of the last freeze in the Spring and 6 weeks before the average date for the first freeze in the Fall according to the Texas Almanac for the project area.

3.1. **Sodding Types**.

3.1.1. **Spot Sodding**. Use only Bermudagrass sod. Create furrows parallel to the roadway, approximately 5 in. deep and on 18-in. centers. Sod a continuous row not less than 3 in. wide in the 2 furrows adjacent to the roadway. Place 3-in. squares of sod on 15-in. centers in the remaining furrows. Place sod so that the root system will be completely covered by the soil. Firm all sides of the sod with the soil without covering the sod with soil.

3.1.2. **Block Sodding**. Place sod over the prepared area. Roll or tamp the sodded area to form a thoroughly compacted, solid mat filling all voids in the sodded area with additional sod. Keep sod along edges of curbs, driveways, walkways, etc., trimmed until acceptance.

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3.1.3. **Mulch Sodding**. Mow sod source to no shorter than 4 in., rake and remove cuttings. Disk the sod in 2 directions, cutting the sod to a minimum of 4 in. Excavate the sod material to a depth of no more than 6 in. Keep excavated material moist or it will be rejected. Distribute the mulch sod uniformly over the area to a depth of 6 in. loose, unless otherwise shown on the plans, and roll with a light roller or other suitable equipment.

Add or reshape the mulch sod to meet the requirements of Section 162.3.2., "Finishing."

3.2. **Finishing**. Smooth and shape the area after planting to conform to the desired cross-sections. Spread any excess soil uniformly over adjacent areas or dispose of the excess soil as directed.

3.3. **Straw or Hay Mulch**. Apply straw or hay mulch for "Spot Sodding" and "Mulch Sodding" uniformly over the area as shown on the plans. Apply straw mulch at 2 to 2-1/2 tons per acre. Apply hay mulch at 1-1/2 to 2 tons per acre. Use a tacking method over the mulched area.

4. MEASUREMENT

"Spot Sodding," "Block Sodding," and "Straw or Hay Mulch" will be measured by the square yard in its final position. "Mulch Sodding" will be measured by the square yard in its final position or by the cubic yard in vehicles as delivered to the planting site.

5. PAYMENT

The work performed and materials furnished in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under "Measurement" will be paid for at the unit price bid for "Spot Sodding," "Block Sodding," "Straw or Hay Mulch," or "Mulch Sodding." This price is full compensation for securing a source, excavation, loading, hauling, placing, rolling, finishing, furnishing materials, equipment, labor, tools, supplies, and incidentals. Fertilizer will not be paid for directly but will be subsidiary to this Item.

Unless otherwise specified on the plans, water, except for that used for maintaining and preparing the sod before planting, will be measured and paid for in accordance with Item 168, "Vegetative Watering."

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Item 164
Seeding for Erosion Control

1. DESCRIPTION

Provide and install temporary or permanent seeding for erosion control as shown on the plans or as directed.

2. MATERIALS

2.1. **Seed**. Provide seed from the previous season's crop meeting the requirements of the Texas Seed Law, including the testing and labeling for pure live seed (PLS = Purity × Germination). Furnish seed of the designated species, in labeled unopened bags or containers to the Engineer before planting. Use within 12 mo. from the date of the analysis. When Buffalograss is specified, use seed that is treated with KNO_3 (potassium nitrate) to overcome dormancy.

Use Tables 1–4 to determine the appropriate seed mix and rates as specified on the plans. If a plant species is not available by the producers, the other plant species in the recommended seed mixture will be increased proportionally by the PLS/acre of the missing plant species.

Table 1
Permanent Rural Seed Mix

District and Planting Dates	Clay Soils Species And Rates (lb. PLS/acre)		Sandy Soils Species And Rates (lb. PLS/acre)	
1 (Paris) Feb. 1 – May 15	Green Sprangletop Sideoats Grama (Haskell) Bermudagrass Little Bluestem (Native) Illinois Bundleflower	0.3 3.2 1.8 1.7 1.0	Green Sprangletop Bermudagrass Bahiagrass (Pensacola) Sand Lovegrass Weeping Lovegrass (Ermelo) Partridge Pea	0.3 1.5 6.0 0.6 0.8 1.0
2 (Ft. Worth) Feb. 1 – May 15	Green Sprangletop (Van Horn) Sideoats Grama (Haskell) Texas Grama (Atascosa) Hairy Grama (Chaparral) Shortspike Windmillgrass (Welder) Little Bluestem (OK Select) Purple Prairie Clover (Cuero) Engelmann Daisy (Eldorado) Illinois Bundleflower Awnless Bushsunflower (Plateau)	1.0 1.0 1.0 0.4 0.2 0.8 0.6 0.75 1.3 0.2	Green Sprangletop (Van Horn) Hooded Windmillgrass (Mariah) Shortspike Windmillgrass (Welder) Hairy Grama (Chaparral) Slender Grama (Dilley) Sand Lovegrass (Mason) Sand Dropseed (Borden County) Partridge Pea (Comanche) Little Bluestem (OK Select) Englemann Daisy (Eldorado) Purple Prairie Clover	1.0 0.2 0.2 0.4 1.0 0.2 0.2 0.6 0.8 0.75 0.3
3 (Wichita Falls) Feb. 1 – May 15	Green Sprangletop (Van Horn) Sideoats Grama (Haskell) Texas Grama (Atascosa) Hairy Grama (Chaparral) Shortspike Windmillgrass (Welder) Little Bluestem (OK Select) Blue Grama (Hachita) Western Wheatgrass (Barton) Galleta Grass (Viva) Engelmann Daisy (Eldorado) Awnless Bushsunflower (Plateau)	0.6 1.0 1.0 0.4 0.2 0.8 0.4 1.2 0.6 0.75 0.2	Green Sprangletop (Van Horn) Hooded Windmillgrass (Mariah) Shortspike Windmillgrass (Welder) Hairy Grama (Chaparral) Sand Lovegrass (Mason) Sand Dropseed (Borden County) Partridge Pea (Comanche) Little Bluestem (OK Select) Englemann Daisy (Eldorado) Purple Prairie Clover (Cuero)	1.0 0.2 0.2 0.4 0.2 0.2 0.6 0.8 0.75 0.3
4 (Amarillo) Feb. 15 – May 15	Green Sprangletop Sideoats Grama (Haskell) Blue Grama (Hachita) Buffalograss (Texoka) Illinois Bundleflower	0.3 3.6 1.2 1.6 1.0	Green Sprangletop Weeping Lovegrass (Ermelo) Blue Grama (Hachita) Sand Dropseed (Borden Co.) Sand Bluestem Purple Prairie Clover	0.3 0.8 1.0 0.3 1.8 0.5

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District and Planting Dates	Clay Soils Species And Rates (lb. PLS/acre)		Sandy Soils Species And Rates (lb. PLS/acre)	
5 (Lubbock) Feb. 15 – May 15	Green Sprangletop Sideoats Grama (El Reno) Blue Grama (Hachita) Buffalograss (Texoka) Illinois Bundleflower	0.3 3.6 1.2 1.6 1.0	Green Sprangletop Weeping Lovegrass (Ermelo) Blue Grama (Hachita) Sand Dropseed (Borden Co.) Sand Bluestem Purple Prairie Clover	0.3 0.8 1.0 0.3 1.8 0.5
6 (Odessa) Feb. 1 – May 15	Green Sprangletop (Van Horn) Sideoats Grama (South Texas) Blue Grama (Hachita) Galleta Grass (Viva) Shortspike Windmillgrass (Welder) Pink Pappusgrass (Maverick) Alkali Sacaton (Saltalk) Plains Bristlegrass (Catarina Blend) False Rhodes Grass (Kinney) Whiplash Pappusgrass (Webb) Arizona Cottontop (La Salle)	1.0 1.0 0.4 0.6 0.2 0.6 0.2 0.2 0.1 0.6 0.2	Green Sprangletop (Van Horn) Hooded Windmillgrass (Mariah) Blue Grama (Hachita) Hairy Grama (Chaparral) Sand Lovegrass (Mason) Sand Dropseed (Borden County) Indian Ricegrass (Rim Rock) Sand Bluestem (Cottle County) Little Bluestem (Pastura) Purple Prairie Clover (Cuero)	1.0 0.2 0.4 0.4 0.2 0.2 1.6 1.2 0.8 0.3
7 (San Angelo) Feb. 1 – May 1	Green Sprangletop (Van Horn) Sideoats Grama (Haskell) Texas Grama (Atascosa) Hairy Grama (Chaparral) Shortspike Windmillgrass (Welder) Little Bluestem (OK Select) Blue Grama (Hachita) Western Wheatgrass (Barton) Galleta Grass (Viva) Engelmann Daisy (Eldorado) Illinois Bundleflower (Sabine)	1.0 1.0 1.0 0.4 0.2 0.4 0.4 1.2 0.6 0.75 1.0	Green Sprangletop (Van Horn) Hooded Windmillgrass (Mariah) Shortspike Windmillgrass (Welder) Hairy Grama (Chaparral) Sand Lovegrass (Mason) Sand Dropseed (Borden County) Sand Bluestem (Cottle County) Partridge Pea (Comanche) Little Bluestem (OK Select) Englemann Daisy (Eldorado) Purple Prairie Clover (Cuero)	1.0 0.2 0.2 0.4 0.2 0.2 1.2 0.6 0.8 0.75 0.3
8 (Abilene) Feb. 1 – May 15	Green Sprangletop (Van Horn) Sideoats Grama (Haskell) Texas Grama (Atascosa) Hairy Grama (Chaparral) Shortspike Windmillgrass (Welder) Little Bluestem (OK Select) Blue Grama (Hachita) Western Wheatgrass (Barton) Galleta Grass (Viva) Engelmann Daisy (Eldorado) Illinois Bundleflower (Sabine)	1.0 1.0 1.0 0.4 0.2 0.4 0.4 1.2 0.6 0.75 1.0	Green Sprangletop (Van Horn) Hooded Windmillgrass (Mariah) Shortspike Windmillgrass (Welder) Hairy Grama (Chaparral) Sand Lovegrass (Mason) Sand Dropseed (Borden County) Sand Bluestem (Cottle County) Partridge Pea (Comanche) Little Bluestem (OK Select) Englemann Daisy (Eldorado) Purple Prairie Clover (Cuero)	1.0 0.2 0.2 0.4 0.2 0.2 1.2 0.6 0.8 0.75 0.3
9 (Waco) Feb. 1 – May 15	Green Sprangletop (Van Horn) Sideoats Grama (Haskell) Texas Grama (Atascosa) Hairy Grama (Chaparral) Shortspike Windmillgrass (Welder) Little Bluestem (OK Select) Purple Prairie Clover (Cuero) Engelmann Daisy (Eldorado) Illinois Bundleflower Awnless Bushsunflower (Plateau)	1.0 1.0 1.0 0.4 0.2 0.8 0.6 0.75 1.3 0.2	Green Sprangletop (Van Horn) Hooded Windmillgrass (Mariah) Shortspike Windmillgrass (Welder) Hairy Grama (Chaparral) Slender Grama (Dilley) Sand Lovegrass (Mason) Sand Dropseed (Borden County) Partridge Pea (Comanche) Little Bluestem (OK Select) Englemann Daisy (Eldorado) Purple Prairie Clover	1.0 0.2 0.2 0.4 1.0 0.2 0.2 0.6 0.8 0.75 0.3
10 (Tyler) Feb. 1 – May 15	Green Sprangletop Bermudagrass Bahiagrass (Pensacola) Sideoats Grama (Haskell) Illinois Bundleflower	0.3 1.8 9.0 2.7 1.0	Green Sprangletop Bermudagrass Bahiagrass (Pensacola) Weeping Lovegrass (Ermelo) Sand Lovegrass Lance-Leaf Coreopsis	0.3 1.8 9.0 0.5 0.5 1.0
11 (Lufkin) Feb. 1 – May 15	Green Sprangletop Bermudagrass Bahiagrass (Pensacola) Sideoats Grama (Haskell) Illinois Bundleflower	0.3 1.8 9.0 2.7 1.0	Green Sprangletop Bermudagrass Bahiagrass (Pensacola) Sand Lovegrass Lance-Leaf Coreopsis	0.3 2.1 9.0 0.5 1.0

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District and Planting Dates	Clay Soils Species And Rates (lb. PLS/acre)		Sandy Soils Species And Rates (lb. PLS/acre)	
12 (Houston) Jan. 15 – May 15	Green Sprangletop Bermudagrass Sideoats Grama (Haskell) Little Bluestem (Native) Illinois Bundleflower	0.3 2.1 3.2 1.4 1.0	Green Sprangletop Bermudagrass Bahiagrass (Pensacola) Weeping Lovegrass (Ermelo) Lance-Leaf Coreopsis	0.3 2.4 10.5 1.0 1.0
13 (Yoakum) Jan. 15 – May 15	Green Sprangletop (Van Horn) Sideoats Grama (South Texas) Texas Grama (Atascosa) Slender Grama (Dilley) Shortspike Windmillgrass (Welder) Halls Panicum (Oso) Plains Bristlegrass (Catarina Blend) Canada Wildrye (Lavaca) Illinois Bundleflower (Sabine) Purple Prairie Clover (Cuero)	1.0 1.0 1.5 1.0 0.3 0.2 0.2 2.0 1.3 0.6	Green Sprangletop (Van Horn) Hooded Windmillgrass (Mariah) Slender Grama (Dilley) Hairy Grama (Chaparral) Shortspike Windmillgrass (Welder) Purple Prairie Clover (Cuero) Partridge Pea (Comanche) Englemann Daisy (Eldorado)	1.0 0.4 1.0 0.8 0.2 0.6 0.6 1.0
14 (Austin) Feb. 1 – May 15	Green Sprangletop (Van Horn) Sideoats Grama (South Texas) Texas Grama (Atascosa) Hairy Grama (Chaparral) Shortspike Windmillgrass (Welder) Little Bluestem (OK Select) Purple Prairie Clover (Cuero) Engelmann Daisy (Eldorado) Illinois Bundleflower (Sabine) Awnless Bushsunflower (Plateau)	1.0 1.0 1.0 0.4 0.2 0.8 0.6 0.75 1.3 0.2	Green Sprangletop (Van Horn) Hooded Windmillgrass (Mariah) Shortspike Windmillgrass (Welder) Hairy Grama (Chaparral) Slender Grama (Dilley) Sand Lovegrass (Mason) Sand Dropseed (Borden County) Partridge Pea (Comanche) Little Bluestem (OK Select) Englemann Daisy (Eldorado) Purple Prairie Clover	1.0 0.2 0.2 0.4 1.0 0.2 0.2 0.6 0.8 0.75 0.3
15 (San Antonio) Feb. 1 – May 1	Green Sprangletop (Van Horn) Sideoats Grama (South Texas) Texas Grama (Atascosa) Slender Grama (Dilley) Shortspike Windmillgrass (Welder) Pink Pappusgrass (Maverick) Halls Panicum (Oso) Plains Bristlegrass (Catarina Blend) False Rhodes Grass (Kinney) Hooded Windmillgrass (Mariah) Arizona Cottontop (La Salle)	1.0 1.0 1.0 1.0 0.2 0.6 0.2 0.2 0.1 0.2 0.2	Green Sprangletop (Van Horn) Slender Grama (Dilley) Hairy Grama (Chaparral) Shortspike Windmillgrass (Welder) Pink Pappusgrass (Maverick) Plains Bristlegrass (Catarina Blend) Hooded Windmillgrass (Mariah) Multi-flowered False Rhoades Grass (Hidalgo) Arizona Cottontop (La Salle)	1.0 2.0 0.6 0.4 0.6 0.2 0.3 0.1 0.2
16 (Corpus Christi) Jan. 1 – May 1	Green Sprangletop (Van Horn) Sideoats Grama (South Texas) Texas Grama (Atascosa) Slender Grama (Dilley) Shortspike Windmillgrass (Welder) Pink Pappusgrass (Maverick) Halls Panicum (Oso) Plains Bristlegrass (Catarina Blend) False Rhodes Grass (Kinney) Hooded Windmillgrass (Mariah) Arizona Cottontop (La Salle)	1.0 1.0 1.0 1.0 0.2 0.6 0.2 0.2 0.1 0.2 0.2	Green Sprangletop (Van Horn) Slender Grama (Dilley) Hairy Grama (Chaparral) Shortspike Windmillgrass (Welder) Pink Pappusgrass (Maverick) Plains Bristlegrass (Catarina Blend) Hooded Windmillgrass (Mariah) Multi-flowered False Rhodes Grass (Hidalgo) Arizona Cottontop (La Salle)	1.0 2.0 0.6 0.4 0.6 0.2 0.3 0.1 0.2
17 (Bryan) Feb. 1 – May 15	Green Sprangletop Bermudagrass Sideoats Grama (Haskell) Little Bluestem (Native) Illinois Bundleflower	0.3 1.5 3.6 1.7 1.0	Green Sprangletop Bermudagrass Bahiagrass (Pensacola) Weeping Lovegrass (Ermelo) Sand Lovegrass Lance-Leaf Coreopsis	0.3 1.5 7.5 0.6 0.6 1.0

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District and Planting Dates	Clay Soils Species And Rates (lb. PLS/acre)		Sandy Soils Species And Rates (lb. PLS/acre)	
18 (Dallas) Feb. 1 – May 15	Green Sprangletop (Van Horn) Sideoats Grama (Haskell) Texas Grama (Atascosa) Hairy Grama (Chaparral) Shortspike Windmillgrass (Welder) Little Bluestem (OK Select) Purple Prairie Clover (Cuero) Engelmann Daisy (Eldorado) Illinois Bundleflower Awnless Bushsunflower (Plateau)	1.0 1.0 1.0 0.4 0.2 0.8 0.6 0.75 1.3 0.2	Green Sprangletop (Van Horn) Hooded Windmillgrass (Mariah) Shortspike Windmillgrass (Welder) Hairy Grama (Chaparral) Slender Grama (Dilley) Sand Lovegrass (Mason) Sand Dropseed (Borden County) Partridge Pea (Comanche) Little Bluestem (OK Select) Englemann Daisy (Eldorado) Purple Prairie Clover	1.0 0.2 0.2 0.4 1.0 0.2 0.2 0.6 0.8 0.75 0.3
19 (Atlanta) Feb. 1 – May 15	Green Sprangletop Bermudagrass Sideoats Grama (Haskell) Illinois Bundleflower	0.3 2.4 4.5 1.0	Green Sprangletop Bermudagrass Bahiagrass (Pensacola) Sand Lovegrass Lance-Leaf Coreopsis	0.3 2.1 7.5 0.6 1.0
20 (Beaumont) Jan. 15 – May 15	Green Sprangletop Bermudagrass Sideoats Grama (Haskell) Illinois Bundleflower	0.3 2.7 4.1 1.0	Green Sprangletop Bermudagrass Bahiagrass (Pensacola) Sand Lovegrass Lance-Leaf Coreopsis	0.3 2.1 7.5 0.6 1.0
21 (Pharr) Jan. 15 – May 15	Green Sprangletop (Van Horn) Sideoats Grama (South Texas) Texas Grama (Atascosa) Slender Grama (Dilley) Shortspike Windmillgrass (Welder) Pink Pappusgrass (Maverick) Halls Panicum (Oso) Plains Bristlegrass (Catarina Blend) False Rhodes Grass (Kinney) Hooded Windmillgrass (Mariah) Arizona Cottontop (La Salle)	1.0 1.0 1.0 1.0 0.2 0.6 0.2 0.2 0.1 0.2 0.2	Green Sprangletop (Van Horn) Slender Grama (Dilley) Hairy Grama (Chaparral) Shortspike Windmillgrass (Welder) Pink Pappusgrass (Maverick) Plains Bristlegrass (Catarina Blend) Hooded Windmillgrass (Mariah) Multi-flowered False Rhoades Grass (Hidalgo) Arizona Cottontop (La Salle)	1.0 2.0 0.6 0.4 0.6 0.2 0.3 0.1 0.2
22 (Laredo) Jan. 15 – May 1	Green Sprangletop (Van Horn) Sideoats Grama (South Texas) Texas Grama (Atascosa) Slender Grama (Dilley) Shortspike Windmillgrass (Welder) Pink Pappusgrass (Maverick) Halls Panicum (Oso) Plains Bristlegrass (Catarina Blend) False Rhodes Grass (Kinney) Hooded Windmillgrass (Mariah) Arizona Cottontop (La Salle)	1.0 1.0 1.0 1.0 0.2 0.6 0.2 0.2 0.1 0.2 0.2	Green Sprangletop (Van Horn) Slender Grama (Dilley) Hairy Grama (Chaparral) Shortspike Windmillgrass (Welder) Pink Pappusgrass (Maverick) Plains Bristlegrass (Catarina Blend) Hooded Windmillgrass (Mariah) Multi-flowered False Rhoades Grass (Hidalgo) Arizona Cottontop (La Salle)	1.0 2.0 0.6 0.4 0.6 0.2 0.3 0.1 0.2
23 (Brownwood) Feb. 1 – May 15	Green Sprangletop (Van Horn) Sideoats Grama (Haskell) Texas Grama (Atascosa) Hairy Grama (Chaparral) Shortspike Windmillgrass (Welder) Little Bluestem (OK Select) Blue Grama (Hachita) Western Wheatgrass (Barton) Galleta Grass (Viva) Engelmann Daisy (Eldorado) Awnless Bushsunflower (Plateau)	0.6 1.0 1.0 0.4 0.2 0.8 0.4 1.2 0.6 0.75 0.2	Green Sprangletop (Van Horn) Hooded Windmillgrass (Mariah) Shortspike Windmillgrass (Welder) Hairy Grama (Chaparral) Sand Lovegrass (Mason) Sand Dropseed (Borden County) Partridge Pea (Comanche) Little Bluestem (OK Select) Englemann Daisy (Eldorado) Purple Prairie Clover (Cuero)	1.0 0.2 0.2 0.4 0.2 0.2 0.6 0.8 0.75 0.3

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District and Planting Dates	Clay Soils Species And Rates (lb. PLS/acre)		Sandy Soils Species And Rates (lb. PLS/acre)	
24 (El Paso) Feb. 1 – May 15	Green Sprangletop (Van Horn) Sideoats Grama (South Texas) Blue Grama (Hachita) Galleta Grass (Viva) Shortspike Windmillgrass (Welder) Pink Pappusgrass (Maverick) Alkali Sacaton (Saltalk) Plains Bristlegrass (Catarina Blend) False Rhodes Grass (Kinney) Whiplash Pappusgrass (Webb) Arizona Cottontop (La Salle)	1.0 1.0 0.4 0.6 0.2 0.6 0.2 0.2 0.1 0.6 0.2	Green Sprangletop (Van Horn) Hooded Windmillgrass (Mariah) Blue Grama (Hachita) Hairy Grama (Chaparral) Sand Lovegrass (Mason) Sand Dropseed (Borden County) Indian Ricegrass (Rim Rock) Sand Bluestem (Cottle County) Little Bluestem (Pastura) Purple Prairie Clover (Cuero)	1.0 0.2 0.4 0.4 0.2 0.2 1.6 1.2 0.8 0.3
25 (Childress) Feb. 1 – May 15	Green Sprangletop Sideoats Grama (El Reno) Blue Grama (Hachita) Western Wheatgrass Galleta Illinois Bundleflower	0.3 2.7 0.9 2.1 1.6 1.0	Green Sprangletop Weeping Lovegrass (Ermelo) Sand Dropseed (Borden Co.) Sand Lovegrass Purple Prairie Clover	0.3 1.2 0.5 0.8 0.5

Table 2
Permanent Urban Seed Mix

District and Planting Dates	Clay Soils Species and Rates (lb. PLS/acre)		Sandy Soils Species and Rates (lb. PLS/acre)	
1 (Paris) Feb. 1 – May 15	Green Sprangletop Bermudagrass Sideoats Grama (Haskell)	0.3 2.4 4.5	Green Sprangletop Bermudagrass	0.3 5.4
2 (Ft. Worth) Feb. 1 – May 15	Green Sprangletop Sideoats Grama (El Reno) Bermudagrass Buffalograss (Texoka)	0.3 3.6 2.4 1.6	Green Sprangletop Sideoats Grama (El Reno) Bermudagrass Sand Dropseed (Borden Co.)	0.3 3.6 2.1 0.3
3 (Wichita Falls) Feb. 1 – May 15	Green Sprangletop Sideoats Grama (El Reno) Bermudagrass Buffalograss (Texoka)	0.3 4.5 1.8 1.6	Green Sprangletop Sideoats Grama (El Reno) Bermudagrass Sand Dropseed (Borden Co.)	0.3 3.6 1.8 0.4
4 (Amarillo) Feb. 15 – May 15	Green Sprangletop Sideoats Grama (El Reno) Blue Grama (Hachita) Buffalograss (Texoka)	0.3 3.6 1.2 1.6	Green Sprangletop Sideoats Grama (El Reno) Blue Grama (Hachita) Sand Dropseed (Borden Co.) Buffalograss (Texoka)	0.3 2.7 0.9 0.4 1.6
5 (Lubbock) Feb. 15 – May 15	Green Sprangletop Sideoats Grama (El Reno) Blue Grama (Hachita) Buffalograss (Texoka)	0.3 3.6 1.2 1.6	Green Sprangletop Sideoats Grama (El Reno) Blue Grama (Hachita) Sand Dropseed (Borden Co.) Buffalograss (Texoka)	0.3 2.7 0.9 0.4 1.6
6 (Odessa) Feb. 1 – May 15	Green Sprangletop Sideoats Grama (Haskell) Blue Grama (Hachita) Buffalograss (Texoka)	0.3 3.6 1.2 1.6	Green Sprangletop Sideoats Grama (Haskell) Sand Dropseed (Borden Co.) Blue Grama (Hachita) Buffalograss (Texoka)	0.3 2.7 0.4 0.9 1.6
7 (San Angelo) Feb. 1 – May 1	Green Sprangletop Sideoats Grama (Haskell) Buffalograss (Texoka)	0.3 7.2 1.6	Green Sprangletop Sideoats Grama (Haskell) Sand Dropseed (Borden Co.) Blue Grama (Hachita) Buffalograss (Texoka)	0.3 3.2 0.3 0.9 1.6
8 (Abilene) Feb. 1 – May 15	Green Sprangletop Sideoats Grama (Haskell) Blue Grama (Hachita) Buffalograss (Texoka)	0.3 3.6 1.2 1.6	Green Sprangletop Sand Dropseed (Borden Co.) Sideoats Grama (Haskell) Blue Grama (Hachita) Buffalograss (Texoka)	0.3 0.3 3.6 0.8 1.6

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District and Planting Dates	Clay Soils Species and Rates (lb. PLS/acre)		Sandy Soils Species and Rates (lb. PLS/acre)	
9 (Waco) Feb. 1 – May 15	Green Sprangletop Bermudagrass Buffalograss (Texoka) Sideoats Grama (Haskell)	0.3 1.8 1.6 4.5	Green Sprangletop Buffalograss (Texoka) Bermudagrass Sand Dropseed (Borden Co.)	0.3 1.6 3.6 0.4
10 (Tyler) Feb. 1 – May 15	Green Sprangletop Bermudagrass Sideoats Grama (Haskell)	0.3 2.4 4.5	Green Sprangletop Bermudagrass	0.3 5.4
11 (Lufkin) Feb. 1 – May 15	Green Sprangletop Bermudagrass Sideoats Grama (Haskell)	0.3 2.4 4.5	Green Sprangletop Bermudagrass	0.3 5.4
12 (Houston) Jan. 15 – May 15	Green Sprangletop Sideoats Grama (Haskell) Bermudagrass	0.3 4.5 2.4	Green Sprangletop Bermudagrass	0.3 5.4
13 (Yoakum) Jan. 15 – May 15	Green Sprangletop Sideoats Grama (South Texas) Bermudagrass	0.3 4.5 2.4	Green Sprangletop Bermudagrass	0.3 5.4
14 (Austin) Feb. 1 – May 15	Green Sprangletop Bermudagrass Sideoats Grama (South Texas) Buffalograss (Texoka)	0.3 2.4 3.6 1.6	Green Sprangletop Bermudagrass Buffalograss (Texoka)	0.3 4.8 1.6
15 (San Antonio) Feb. 1 – May 1	Green Sprangletop Sideoats Grama (South Texas) Bermudagrass Buffalograss (Texoka)	0.3 3.6 2.4 1.6	Green Sprangletop Bermudagrass Buffalograss (Texoka)	0.3 4.8 1.6
16 (Corpus Christi) Jan. 1 – May 1	Green Sprangletop Sideoats Grama (South Texas) Bermudagrass Buffalograss (Texoka)	0.3 3.6 2.4 1.6	Green Sprangletop Bermudagrass Buffalograss (Texoka)	0.3 4.8 1.6
17 (Bryan) Feb. 1 – May 15	Green Sprangletop Bermudagrass Sideoats Grama (Haskell)	0.3 2.4 4.5	Green Sprangletop Bermudagrass	0.3 5.4
18 (Dallas) Feb. 1 – May 15	Green Sprangletop Sideoats Grama (El Reno) Buffalograss (Texoka) Bermudagrass	0.3 3.6 1.6 2.4	Green Sprangletop Buffalograss (Texoka) Bermudagrass Sand Dropseed (Borden Co.)	0.3 1.6 3.6 0.4
19 (Atlanta) Feb. 1 – May 15	Green Sprangletop Bermudagrass Sideoats Grama (Haskell)	0.3 2.4 4.5	Green Sprangletop Bermudagrass	0.3 5.4
20 (Beaumont) Jan. 15 – May 15	Green Sprangletop Bermudagrass Sideoats Grama (Haskell)	0.3 2.4 4.5	Green Sprangletop Bermudagrass	0.3 5.4
21 (Pharr) Jan. 15 – May 15	Green Sprangletop Sideoats Grama (South Texas) Buffalograss (Texoka) Bermudagrass	0.3 3.6 1.6 2.4	Green Sprangletop Buffalograss (Texoka) Bermudagrass Sand Dropseed (Borden Co.)	0.3 1.6 3.6 0.4
22 (Laredo) Jan. 15 – May 1	Green Sprangletop Sideoats Grama (South Texas) Buffalograss (Texoka) Bermudagrass	0.3 4.5 1.6 1.8	Green Sprangletop Buffalograss (Texoka) Bermudagrass Sand Dropseed	0.3 1.6 3.6 0.4
23 (Brownwood) Feb. 1 – May 15	Green Sprangletop Sideoats Grama (Haskell) Bermudagrass Blue Grama (Hachita)	0.3 3.6 1.2 0.9	Green Sprangletop Buffalograss (Texoka) Bermudagrass Sand Dropseed (Borden Co.)	0.3 1.6 3.6 0.4
24 (El Paso) Feb. 1 – May 15	Green Sprangletop Sideoats Grama (South Texas) Blue Grama (Hachita) Buffalograss (Texoka)	0.3 3.6 1.2 1.6	Green Sprangletop Buffalograss (Texoka) Sand Dropseed (Borden Co.) Blue Grama (Hachita)	0.3 1.6 0.4 1.8
25 (Childress) Feb. 1 – May 15	Green Sprangletop Sideoats Grama (El Reno) Blue Grama (Hachita) Buffalograss (Texoka)	0.3 3.6 1.2 1.6	Green Sprangletop Sand Dropseed (Borden Co.) Buffalograss (Texoka) Bermudagrass	0.3 0.4 1.6 1.8

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Table 3
Temporary Cool Season Seeding

Districts	Dates	Seed Mix and Rates (lb./acre)	
Paris (1), Amarillo (4), Lubbock (5), Dallas (18)	September 1 – November 30	Tall Fescue Western Wheatgrass Wheat (Red, Winter)	4.5 5.6 34
Odessa (6), San Angelo (7), El Paso (24)	September 1 – November 30	Western Wheatgrass Wheat (Red, Winter)	8.4 50
Waco (9), Tyler (10), Lufkin (11), Austin (14), San Antonio (15), Bryan (17), Atlanta (19)	September 1 – November 30	Tall Fescue Oats Wheat	4.5 24 34
Houston (12), Yoakum (13), Corpus Christi (16), Beaumont (20), Pharr (21), Laredo (22)	September 1 – November 30	Oats	72
Ft. Worth (2), Wichita Falls (3), Abilene (8), Brownwood (23), Childress (25)	September 1 – November 30	Tall Fescue Western Wheatgrass Cereal Rye	4.5 5.6 34

Table 4
Temporary Warm Season Seeding

Districts	Dates	Seed Mix and Rates (lb./acre)	
All	May 1 – August 31	Foxtail Millet	34

2.2. **Fertilizer**. Use fertilizer in conformance with Article 166.2., "Materials."

2.3. **Vegetative Watering**. Use water that is clean and free of industrial wastes and other substances harmful to the growth of vegetation.

2.4. **Mulch**.

2.4.1. **Straw or Hay Mulch**. Use straw or hay mulch in conformance with Article 162.2.5., "Mulch."

2.4.2. **Cellulose Fiber Mulch**. Use only cellulose fiber mulches that are on the Approved Products List, Erosion Control Approved Products. (http://www.txdot.gov/business/resources/erosion-control.html) Submit one full set of manufacturer's literature for the selected material. Keep mulch dry until applied. Do not use molded or rotted material.

2.5. **Tacking Methods**. Use a tacking agent applied in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations or a crimping method on all straw or hay mulch operations. Use tacking agents as approved or as specified on the plans.

3. CONSTRUCTION

Cultivate the area to a depth of 4 in. before placing the seed unless otherwise directed. Use approved equipment to vertically track the seedbed as shown on the plans or as directed. Cultivate the seedbed to a depth of 4 in. or mow the area before placement of the permanent seed when performing permanent seeding after an established temporary seeding. Plant the seed specified and mulch, if required, after the area has been completed to lines and grades as shown on the plans.

3.1. **Broadcast Seeding**. Distribute the seed or seed mixture uniformly over the areas shown on the plans using hand or mechanical distribution or hydro-seeding on top of the soil. Apply the mixture to the area to be seeded within 30 min. of placement of components in the equipment when seed and water are to be distributed as a slurry during hydro-seeding. Roll the planted area with a light roller or other suitable equipment. Roll sloped areas along the contour of the slopes.

3.2. **Straw or Hay Mulch Seeding**. Plant seed according to Section 164.3.1., "Broadcast Seeding." Apply straw or hay mulch uniformly over the seeded area immediately after planting the seed or seed mixture. Apply straw mulch at 2 to 2.5 tons per acre. Apply hay mulch at 1.5 to 2 tons per acre. Use a tacking method over the mulched area.

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3.3. **Cellulose Fiber Mulch Seeding**. Plant seed in accordance with Section 164.3.1., "Broadcast Seeding." Apply cellulose fiber mulch uniformly over the seeded area immediately after planting the seed or seed mixture at the following rates.

- Sandy soils with slopes of 3:1 or less—2,500 lb. per acre.
- Sandy soils with slopes greater than 3:1—3,000 lb. per acre.
- Clay soils with slopes of 3:1 or less—2,000 lb. per acre.
- Clay soils with slopes greater than 3:1—2,300 lb. per acre.

Cellulose fiber mulch rates are based on dry weight of mulch per acre. Mix cellulose fiber mulch and water to make a slurry and apply uniformly over the seeded area using suitable equipment.

3.4. **Drill Seeding**. Plant seed or seed mixture uniformly over the area shown on the plans at a depth of 1/4 to 1/3 in. using a pasture or rangeland type drill. Plant seed along the contour of the slopes.

3.5. **Straw or Hay Mulching**. Apply straw or hay mulch uniformly over the area as shown on the plans. Apply straw mulch at 2 to 2.5 tons per acre. Apply hay mulch at 1.5 to 2 tons per acre. Use a tacking method over the mulched area.

Apply fertilizer in conformance with Article 166.3., "Construction." Seed and fertilizer may be distributed simultaneously during "Broadcast Seeding" operations, provided each component is applied at the specified rate. Apply half of the required fertilizer during the temporary seeding operation and the other half during the permanent seeding operation when temporary and permanent seeding are both specified for the same area.

Water the seeded areas at the rates and frequencies as shown on the plans or as directed.

4. MEASUREMENT

This Item will be measured by the square yard or by the acre.

5. PAYMENT

The work performed and the materials furnished in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under "Measurement" will be paid for at the unit price bid for "Broadcast Seeding (Perm)" of the rural or urban seed mixture and sandy or clay soil specified, "Broadcast Seeding (Temp)" of warm or cool season specified, "Straw or Hay Mulch Seeding (Perm)" of the rural or urban seed mixture and sandy or clay soil specified, "Straw or Hay Mulch Seeding (Temp)" of warm or cool season specified, "Cellulose Fiber Mulch Seeding (Perm)" of the rural or urban seed mixture and sandy or clay soil specified, "Cellulose Fiber Mulch Seeding (Temp)" of warm or cool season specified, "Drill Seeding (Perm)" of the rural or urban seed mixture and sandy or clay soil specified, "Drill Seeding (Temp)" of warm or cool season specified, and "Straw or Hay Mulching." This price is full compensation for furnishing materials, including water for hydro-seeding and hydro-mulching operations, mowing, labor, equipment, tools, supplies, and incidentals. Fertilizer will not be paid for directly but will be subsidiary to this Item. Water for irrigating the seeded area, when specified, will be paid for under Item 168, "Vegetative Watering."

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Item 166
Fertilizer

1. DESCRIPTION

Provide and distribute fertilizer over areas specified on the plans.

2. MATERIALS

Use a complete fertilizer containing nitrogen (N), phosphoric acid (P), and potash (K) nutrients unless otherwise specified on the plans. Ensure at least 50% of the nitrogen component is a slow-release sulfur-coated urea. Ensure that fertilizer is in an acceptable condition for distribution in containers labeled with the analysis. Fertilizer is subject to testing by the Texas A&M Feed and Fertilizer Control Service in accordance with the Texas Fertilizer Law.

3. CONSTRUCTION

Deliver and apply the complete fertilizer uniformly at a rate equal to 60 lb. of nitrogen per acre or at the analysis and rate specified on the plans.

Apply fertilizer as a dry material and do not mix with water to form a slurry.

Incorporate fertilizer during seedbed preparation as specified on the plans.

4. MEASUREMENT

When fertilizer is specified on the plans to be a pay item, measurement will be by the acre of surface area covered or by the ton (2,000 lb.). Measurement by the ton will use guaranteed weight of bags or containers as shown by the manufacturer or certified scales meeting the requirements of Item 520, "Weighing and Measuring Equipment," unless otherwise approved.

5. PAYMENT

Unless otherwise specified on the plans, the work performed, materials furnished, equipment, labor, tools, and incidentals will not be paid for directly but will be subsidiary to pertinent bid Items.

When fertilizer is specified on the plans to be a pay item, the work performed and materials furnished in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under "Measurement" will be paid for at the unit price bid for "Fertilizer." This price is full compensation for furnishing materials and performing operations.

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Item 168
Vegetative Watering

1. DESCRIPTION

Provide and distribute water to promote growth of vegetation as directed.

2. MATERIALS

Use water that is clean and free of industrial wastes and other substances harmful to the growth of vegetation.

3. CONSTRUCTION

Apply water when directed. Furnish and operate equipment to distribute water at a uniform and controllable rate. Ensure that watering does not erode soil or plantings. Apply water in the required quantity where shown on the plans or as directed.

4. MEASUREMENT

This Item will be measured by the 1,000 gal. as applied.

5. PAYMENT

The work performed and materials furnished in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under "Measurement" will be paid for at the unit price bid for "Vegetative Watering." This price is full compensation for furnishing and operating watering equipment and measuring devices and for furnishing and applying water, including hauling, equipment, labor, and incidentals.

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Item 169
Soil Retention Blankets

1. DESCRIPTION

Provide and install soil retention blankets (SRB) as shown on the plans or as directed.

2. MATERIALS

Provide only SRB that meet the requirements of DMS-6370, "Soil Retention Blankets," and are on the Approved Products List, *Erosion Control Approved Products.* (http://www.txdot.gov/business/resources/erosion-control.html) Use material of the following class and type as shown on the plans and provide a copy of the manufacturer's label for the selected product.

2.1. **Class 1 - Slope Protection**.

2.1.1. **Type A**. Slopes 3:1 or flatter - clay soils,

2.1.2. **Type B**. Slopes 3:1 or flatter - sandy soils,

2.1.3. **Type C**. Slopes steeper than 3:1 - clay soils, and

2.1.4. **Type D**. Slopes steeper than 3:1 - sandy soils.

2.2. **Class 2 - Flexible Channel Liners**.

2.2.1. **Type E**. Biodegradable materials with shear stress less than 2.0 psf,

2.2.2. **Type F**. Biodegradable materials with shear stress less than 4.0 psf,

2.2.3. **Type G**. Nonbiodegradable materials with shear stress less than 6.0 psf, and

2.2.4. **Type H**. Nonbiodegradable materials with shear stress less than 8.0 lb. psf.

3. CONSTRUCTION

Provide a copy of the manufacturer's installation instructions to the Engineer before placement of the material. Place the SRB within 24 hr. after the seeding or sodding operation, or when directed. Install and anchor the SRB in strict accordance with the recommendations contained within the manufacturer's published literature. Installation includes the repair of ruts, reseeding or resodding, and the removal of rocks, clods, and other foreign materials which may prevent contact of the blanket with the soil.

4. MEASUREMENT

This Item will be measured by the square yard of surface area covered.

5. PAYMENT

The work performed and materials furnished in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under "Measurement" will be paid for at the unit price bid for "Soil Retention Blankets" of the class and type specified. This price is full compensation for equipment, materials, labor, tools, and incidentals.

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Item 170
Irrigation System

1. DESCRIPTION

Furnish and install an irrigation system as shown on the plans.

2. MATERIALS

Unless otherwise shown on the plans, use materials that meet the following:

2.1. **Irrigation Pipe**. Use polyvinyl chloride (PVC) pipe meeting ASTM D2241, SDR 13.5, SDR 17, SDR 21; or ASTM D1785, Schedule 40.

2.2. **Fittings**. Furnish fittings as shown on the plans. PVC fittings must meet ASTM D2466.

2.3. **Encasement Pipe**. Use PVC pipe meeting ASTM D1785, Schedule 40, with an inside diameter at least 1 in. larger than the outside diameter of the irrigation pipe, unless otherwise shown on the plans.

2.4. **Low-Voltage Wire**. Use minimum 14 gauge UL-approved wire for direct burial.

2.5. **Bentonite Slurry**. Use a viscous mixture of commercial bentonite and fresh water containing 2% to 8% bentonite by weight.

2.6. **Accessories**. Use valves, sprinkler heads, and controllers that meet the requirements shown on the plans. Use backflow preventers that meet the requirements of the controlling water utility authority.

2.7. **Electrical Service**. Use materials meeting the requirements of Section 170.3.1., "Electrical Service," for installations requiring over 100 V.

3. CONSTRUCTION

Perform irrigation system work under the supervision of a person possessing an irrigator's license issued by the TCEQ. Provide documentation of this license. Perform electrical work in accordance with Article 8.9., "Workers and Equipment." Follow the codes of the controlling utility authority for water and electrical connection and service.

Coordinate irrigation system installation with plant installation, when plant installation is specified, to ensure that watering requirements are met. Prevent damage to vegetation, slopes, utilities, structures, and other amenities. Repair any damage within the right of way caused by the Contractor. Perform the following activities as required:

3.1. **Electrical Service**. Construct installations requiring over 100 V in accordance with the details shown on the plans and the pertinent requirements of the following:

- Item 618, "Conduit"
- Item 620, "Electrical Conductors"
- Item 622, "Duct Cable"
- Item 624, "Ground Boxes"
- Item 628, "Electrical Services"

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3.2. **Excavation and Trenching**. Excavate and trench to a sufficient depth to provide for a minimum of 12 in. soil cover for all lines or as shown on the plans. Use common trenches for irrigation lines and wire runs where feasible. Protect trenches and boring pits less than 5 ft. deep using approved methods. Protect trenches and boring pits 5 ft. deep or deeper in accordance with Item 402, "Trench Excavation Protection," and Item 403, "Temporary Special Shoring."

3.3. **Boring**. Bore at the locations shown on the plans or as directed. Avoid weakening or damaging roadways or other facilities. Bore the lengths in one direction only. Maintain horizontal and vertical alignment to an accuracy of 1 in. in 10 ft. Use water or other approved fluids in connection with boring operations only to lubricate cuttings.

Bentonite slurry may be used in unconsolidated soil formations to consolidate cuttings for the bit, seal the walls of the hole, and furnish lubrication for subsequent removal of cuttings and installation of the pipe immediately thereafter.

3.4. **Water Jetting**. Use water jetting only when shown on the plans or approved in writing. Water jet the lengths in one direction only. Cease operations and complete all necessary work by boring when jetting operations fail to produce a smooth stable hole.

3.5. **Encasement**. Provide a minimum of 12 in. of cover over encasement pipe. Cover is measured to the top of the subgrade for paved areas and to the bottom of the slab for sidewalks or nonload-bearing slabs.

3.6. **Pipe and Valve Assembly**. Assemble pipe and fittings as recommended by the manufacturers. Clean pipe and fittings of dust, dirt, and moisture before assembly. Make connections between plastic pipe and metal valves with threaded fittings and plastic adapters. Install backflow preventers as required by ordinances of the controlling water utility authority. Install pipe, valves, and valve boxes a minimum of 12 in. from sidewalks, buildings, walls, and other objects, or as directed.

3.7. **Sprinkler Heads and Drip Tubing**. Install sprinkler heads and drip tubing in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations at locations shown on the plans or as directed.

3.8. **Controller**. Install controllers in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations at locations shown on the plans or as directed.

3.9. **Low-Voltage Wire**. Install wire in trenches below the pipe or in a minimum 1-in. PVC pipe with at least 12 in. of cover over its entire run. Install wire in continuous lengths. Splice wire, if required, in valve boxes using waterproof materials.

3.10. **Closing and Flushing of PVC Pipe**. Cap or plug pipe after installation to prevent entry of foreign materials that would obstruct the flow of water. Leave caps or plugs in place until removal is necessary for completion of the installation. Thoroughly flush all water lines.

3.11. **Hydrostatic Tests**. Notify the Engineer in writing at least 48 hr. before testing. Center load all pipe with enough backfill to prevent arching or slipping while under pressure. After all welded joints have cured for at least 24 hr., test the main lines from the meter to the valves, with all valves closed, for at least 2 consecutive hr. by applying a continuous and static minimum 80-psi water pressure. Repair leaks if necessary and retest. Maintain the lines under static pressure for 24 hr. without leaks before final approval.

3.12. **Backfill and Compaction**. Backfill trenches and other excavations with soil free of objectionable material after the irrigation system is fully operational, all tests and inspections have been performed, and the results are approved. Backfill and compact in 8-in. layers. Smooth and shape disturbed soil to final grade or as directed.

4. MEASUREMENT

This Item will be measured by the lump sum.

5. PAYMENT

The work performed and the materials furnished in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under "Measurement" will be paid for at the unit price bid for "Irrigation System." This price is full compensation for furnishing and installing all components; flushing and testing water lines; furnishing and operating equipment; and labor, tools, and incidentals. Protection methods for excavations 5 ft. deep or deeper will be measured and paid for as required under Item 402, "Trench Excavation Protection," or Item 403, "Temporary Special Shoring." Electrical work required in accordance with Section 170.3.1., "Electrical Service," will be measured and paid for under Item 628, "Electrical Services." Power consumed will be paid for by the Department.

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Item 180
Wildflower Seeding

1. DESCRIPTION

Prepare the surface, provide and sow wildflower seed as shown on the plans or as directed.

2. MATERIALS

Provide seed of the previous season's crop meeting the requirements of the Texas Seed Law, including the testing and labeling for pure live seed (PLS = purity × germination). Furnish seed of the designated species in unopened bags or containers to the Engineer before planting, with labels showing the date of the analysis to be no more than 12 mo. before the time of use.

3. EQUIPMENT

Use equipment shown on the plans or as directed that will evenly distribute the seed over the area.

4. CONSTRUCTION

Mow locations designated for wildflower planting to an approximate height of 4 in. Distribute the seed or seed mixture uniformly at the rates and locations shown on the plans or as directed.

5. MEASUREMENT

This Item will be measured by the acre.

6. PAYMENT

The work performed in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under "Measurement" will be paid for at the unit price bid for "Wildflower Seeding." This price is full compensation for seed, equipment, labor, tools, and incidentals.

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Item 192
Landscape Planting

1. DESCRIPTION

Provide and install plants and related materials at designated locations. Maintain plants, related materials, and landscaped areas at the specified frequency.

2. MATERIALS

Comply with the latest standards as follows, unless otherwise shown on the plans.

- The most recently published edition of the *American Standard for Nursery Stock* (ANSI Z60.1).
- *Standardized Plant Names* published by the American Joint Committee on Horticultural Nomenclature.
- Meet additional requirements for plants and related materials as shown on the plans.

2.1. **Plants**. Provide nursery-grown plants unless otherwise shown on the plans. Provide vigorous, healthy, well-rooted, plants with well-formed crowns, true to sizes, and of typical shape and characteristics of the species. Provide plants with nametags attached showing the genus, species, and specified variety.

2.2. **Rejection of Plants**. Plants with any of the following characteristics are subject to rejection:

- disease or insect infestation, including eggs and larvae;
- dried or damaged root system or crown;
- excessive abrasion of the bark;
- prematurely opened or damaged buds;
- disfiguring knots;
- evidence of heat, freeze, or wind burn, mold, sun scald, or similar conditions;
- damaged, pruned, crooked, or multiple leaders, unless multiple leaders are specified or are normal for the species;
- cut limbs over 3/4 in. in diameter that have not completely callused;
- dry, soggy, loose, cracked, broken, misshapen or undersized root balls;
- processed balled roots (bench balled);
- root balls encased in impervious material;
- overgrown or root-bound plants;
- undersized or unsound containers;
- stock not well established in containers;
- containers with less than 3/4 planting medium depth;
- an abnormal balance between height and spread for the species;
- missing or broken serialized locking tags, when specified;
- any condition that does not conform to the plans or nursery stock standards; or
- conditions that would prevent thriving growth or cause an unacceptable appearance.

2.3. **Backfill and Plant Soil Mix**. Use soil excavated from the plant pits or beds or provide a loose, friable soil mix as shown on the plans. Provide a soil mix free of reproductive parts of weeds and grasses, harmful substances, and detrimental amounts of foreign matter. Use compost in accordance with Section 161.2.3., "General Use Compost," when specified on the plans.

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2.4. **Mulch**. Provide loose, organic mulch derived from plants unless other types are shown on the plans. Use mulch free of excessive amounts of leaves, sticks, harmful substances, and detrimental amounts of soil or other foreign matter**.**

2.5. **Water**. Furnish water in accordance with Article 168.2., "Materials."

2.6. **Fertilizer**. Use fertilizer in accordance with Article 166.2., "Materials," unless otherwise shown on the plans.

2.7. **Other Materials**. Provide additional incidental materials associated with landscape planting that meet the requirements shown on the plans.

3. CONSTRUCTION

Prevent damage to vegetation, slopes, utilities, structures, and other amenities. Repair any damage within the right of way caused by the Contractor at no additional expense to the Department. Provide and document a licensed pesticide applicator for the treatment of insects, diseases, animals, and vegetation in accordance with the Texas Department of Agriculture in the appropriate use category.

3.1. **Plant Inspection Before Delivery**. Plants are subject to inspection at the nursery or location of collection. Provide and use serialized locking tags on plants selected by the Engineer as directed.

3.2. **Plant Delivery**. Notify the Engineer at least 48 hr. before delivering plants to the worksite. Coordinate with the Engineer for inspection and approval of materials upon delivery. Remove rejected plants from the worksite and replace as directed.

3.3. **Mark Plant Locations and Bed Outlines**. Provide and install coded markings, such as wooden stakes, to mark the locations, type of plants, and the outline of planting beds. Obtain approval of the plant and bed locations before excavation begins.

3.4. **Plant Pit Excavation**. Excavate pits for container, balled and burlapped (B&B), and fabric bag grown stock to the depth shown on the plans or at least the depth of the root ball. Excavate pits for bare root plants equal to the depth of the root system. Excavate pits on slopes using measurements shown on the plans or at least the depth of the root ball based on the uphill side of the pit. Excavate the receiving pits for mechanically transplanted plants with the same type and size equipment used to dig the plants.

Provide a minimum horizontal dimension of 12 in. between the root ball and pit walls for the following:

- 15-gal. or larger pots,
- 14-in. or larger boxes, and
- larger than 14-in. root balls of B&B and fabric bag grown plants.

Provide a minimum horizontal dimension of 2 times the root ball diameter across the pit for the following:

- less than 15-gal. pots, and
- 14-in. or smaller root balls of B&B and fabric bag grown plants.

Provide a minimum pit diameter for bare root plants that permits the roots to spread without crowding or curving around the walls of the pit.

3.5. **Plant Installation**. Install plants within 24 hr. of excavating plant pits. Scarify the walls of pits as plant installation begins. Center all plants in a pit, except those mechanically collected, backfill in lifts, each lift 1/3 of the depth of the root ball, and fill the pit with water after each lift to remove air pockets. Prune protruding roots, from the root ball, for mechanically collected plants, to a point even with the cutting blades. Place the plant in the pit and work sand between the pit walls and the root ball with water until the sand fills all the cavities.

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Apply fertilizer according to the plans. Ensure that the top of the root ball remains at the grade shown on the plans after final settlement.

3.6. **Plant Basin Construction**. Construct a basin at least 8 in. deep with an inside diameter equal to the pit diameter and with a level top around the plant unless otherwise shown on the plans. Use excavated soil from the plant pits or beds, backfill material, or other approved material for the basin. Spread excess excavated materials over the right of way as directed or remove and dispose of material in accordance with local, state, and federal requirements at locations outside the right of way.

3.7. **Watering**. Coordinate the planting work to ensure that an irrigation system, when specified, operates properly to meet the watering requirements. Apply water to plants or planting areas at the rate and frequency specified for an irrigation system or for the application method shown on the plans. Keep the ground and backfill moist at least 12 in. around the entire root ball if a watering rate and frequency are not specified.

3.8. **Using Antitranspirants**. Apply antitranspirants, when shown on the plans, in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

3.9. **Pruning.** Accomplish pruning in accordance with ANSI A300 (Part 1) pruning standards unless otherwise shown on the plans or as directed. Retain the natural shape of plants according to the species. Limit pruning to removal of dead and broken branches, and an additional amount as specified or directed to improve the appearance and health of plants.

Prune B&B and collected plants to reduce the original crown by approximately 20% by removing interior branches, entangled limbs, and small branches unless otherwise shown on the plans. Prune to develop the central leader or leaders. Remove and dispose of pruning debris.

Apply wound dressing on oak (Quercus) species within 20 min. of causing bark damage or making a pruning cut. Apply wound dressing on other plants when shown on the plans or as directed. Use wound dressing in accordance with the pruning standards.

3.10. **Plant Support Installation**. Install plant supports such as staking, guying, and bracing as shown on the plans. Support and keep plants in a vertical position or as directed.

3.11. **Tree Trunk Protection**. Install tree trunk protection guards when shown on the plans and in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

3.12. **Landscape Edge Installation**. Install landscape edging when shown on the plans and in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

3.13. **Plant Bed Preparation**. Prepare the bed and install the planting soil mix, vegetation barrier, and other materials as shown on the plans.

3.14. **Mulching**. Mulch plant basins and beds to a depth of 2 in. unless otherwise shown on the plans.

3.15. **Maintenance**. Begin maintenance of each plant under this Item when the installation is completed and approved, or as directed. Perform maintenance until final acceptance of the project, or for a minimum of 90 days should the final acceptance occur less than 90 days after the plant installation is completed and approved, by following the work schedule and frequencies shown on the plans. Perform the minimum requirements stated below if a work schedule and frequency are not shown on the plans.

3.15.1. **Watering**. Water in accordance with Section 192.3.7., "Watering."

3.15.2. **Mowing, Trimming, and Edging**. Mow, trim, and edge the designated locations. Mow, trim, and edge every 15 days during the growing season or as directed, mowing at a 3-4 in. height. Keep cord trimmers at least 1 ft. from plants to prevent damage to the plants. Plants damaged during the maintenance work are subject to rejection and replacement according to Section 192.3.15.9., "Plant Replacement."

3.15.3. **Plant Basin, Bed, and Worksite Maintenance**. Chemically control weeds and unwanted grasses in plant basins, beds, along and in structures, and around existing plants every 15 days, unless otherwise directed. Reshape plant basins and beds every 30 days to conform to the plans. Maintain mulch in accordance with Section 192.3.14., "Mulching." Ensure that herbicides do not contact desirable plants. Follow the manufacturer's instruction for handling and applying herbicides.

3.15.4. **Plant Supports**. Replace, repair, and adjust supports to meet the requirements of the plans and in accordance with Section 192.3.10., "Plant Support Installation." Adjust staking and guying to prevent girdling of plant trunks. Remove or dispose of support material as directed.

3.15.5. **Pruning**. Prune as shown on the plans and in accordance with Section 192.3.9., "Pruning."

3.15.6. **Insect, Disease, and Animal Inspection and Treatment**. Inspect plants and planted areas at least every 15 days. Notify the Engineer of concerns and problems and recommend corrective measures in writing for approval. Treat the plants and planted areas in accordance with TDA or TSPCB laws and regulations. Follow the manufacturer's instructions for handling and applying pesticides.

3.15.7. **Litter and Debris Collection and Disposal**. Collect litter and debris within the worksite before mowing and trimming at least every 15 days. Dispose of litter and debris as directed.

3.15.8. **Tree Trunk Wrap and Protection Guard Removal and Disposal**. Remove and dispose of tree trunk wrapping material and protection guards as directed.

3.15.9. **Plant Replacement.** Remove and dispose of dead and damaged plants from the worksite as directed. Replace plants as originally specified within 10 days of notification. Plant replacement must be completed and approved before payment is approved when notification is made between the starting date and day 30 of the maintenance work, according to Section 192.5.2., "30-Day Payment." Plant replacement must be completed and approved before payment is approved when notification is made between days 31 and 60 of the maintenance work, according to Section 192.5.3., "60-Day Payment." Plant replacement must be completed and approved before payment is approved when notification is made between days 61 and either the date of project final acceptance or day 90 of the maintenance work, whichever occurs later, according to Section 192.5.4., "Final Payment."

4. MEASUREMENT

This Item will be measured by each plant. When mulch is specified as a separate pay item, it will be measured by the cu. yd. or the sq. yd. When plant soil mix is specified as a separate pay item, it will be measured by the cu. yd. When landscape edge is specified as a separate pay item, it will be measured by the ft. When plant bed preparation is specified as a separate pay item, it will be measured by the sq. yd. When vegetation barrier is specified as a separate pay item, it will be measured by the sq. yd.

5. PAYMENT

The work performed and materials furnished in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under "Measurement" will be paid for at the unit price bid for "Plant Material" of the size or "Plant Material" of the size and type specified. This price is full compensation for furnishing the plant, mulch, plant soil mix, landscape edge, plant bed preparation, and vegetation barrier, unless mulch, plant soil mix, landscape edge, plant bed preparation, and vegetation barrier are specified as separate items. Payment for "Plant Material" will be handled in the following manner:

5.1. **Initial Payment**. When the planting and installation of related materials are completed and approved, 55% of the unit price bid for each related plant will be paid.

5.2. **30-Day Payment**. When the first 30 days of the plant maintenance (see Section 192.3.15., "Maintenance,") are completed and approved, an additional 15% of the unit price bid for each related plant will be paid, but if the maintenance is not completed and approved, that 15% will be forfeited.

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5.3. **60-Day Payment**. When the second 30 days of the plant maintenance are completed and approved, an additional 15% of the unit price bid for each related plant will be paid, but if the maintenance is not completed and approved, that 15% will be forfeited.

5.4. **Final Payment**. After the final inspection and acceptance of the project or the completion of the 90-day maintenance, whichever occurs later, an additional 15% of the unit price bid for all plants will be paid, but if the maintenance is not completed and approved, that 15% will be forfeited.

When mulch, plant soil mix, landscape edge, plant bed preparation, and vegetation barrier are specified as separate pay items, the work performed and materials furnished in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under "Measurement" will be paid for at the unit price bid for "Mulch," "Plant Soil Mix," "Landscape Edge," "Plant Bed Preparation," and "Vegetation Barrier." Each price is full compensation for materials, equipment, labor, tools, and incidentals.

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Item 193
Landscape Establishment

1. DESCRIPTION

Establish landscape plantings and maintain landscaped areas at designated locations. Begin this Item after the final payment is approved in accordance with Section 192.5.4., "Final Payment," if used with Item 192, "Landscape Planting."

2. MATERIALS

Furnish the following materials unless otherwise shown on the plans:

- fertilizer in accordance with Article 166.2., "Materials";
- mulch consisting of loose organic materials such as wood chips or shredded bark that is free from harmful chemicals, soil, and other foreign matter that may promote compaction of the mulch or cause injury to the plants;
- water that is clean and free of industrial wastes and other substances harmful to the growth of vegetation;
- replacement plants as originally installed or as approved;
- pesticides conforming to the requirements of Section 193.3.1., "Plant Maintenance";
- supports of the same type as originally installed or as approved; and
- irrigation system replacement parts of the same type and manufacturer as originally installed or approved equal.

3. WORK METHODS

Inspect the site at least every 2 weeks, and perform the required maintenance when "Plant Maintenance" or "Irrigation System Operation and Maintenance" are measured by the month. Perform the following maintenance activities, and conform to requirements shown on the plans.

3.1. **Plant Maintenance**. Maintain vegetation within the site in a healthy and vigorous growing condition. Apply pesticides, when required, under the supervision of a person possessing a license in the appropriate use category issued by the Texas Department of Agriculture. Provide documentation of this license, and obtain approval of the pesticides before applications. Ensure pesticide applications conform to label directions and all pertinent laws and regulations.

3.1.1. **Pruning**. Prune in accordance with ANSI A300 (Part 1) when shown on the plans. Remove dead or dying plants and dead, diseased, or damaged limbs on trees and shrubs. Remove sucker-growth on trunks of trees. Apply an approved wound dressing to all oak (Quercus) species within 20 min. of causing bark damage or making a pruning cut. Remove and dispose of pruning debris.

3.1.2. **Insect, Disease, and Animal Control**. Notify the Engineer in writing of problems with insects, diseases, or animals as such problems arise. Treat the plants or planted areas as directed.

3.1.3. **Fertilization**. Apply fertilizer uniformly to all plants designated to receive fertilizer.

3.1.4. **Mulching, Plant Basin, and Plant Bed Maintenance**. Physically remove or apply herbicide to weeds and grasses within plant basins and plant beds before placing additional mulch. Apply and maintain mulch at a depth of 2 in. Maintain plant basins and plant beds free of weeds and grasses, except those that have been

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treated with herbicides may remain in place until removal is directed. Reshape plant basins and plant beds as necessary to conform to plan details.

3.1.5. **Mowing, Trimming, and Edging**. Remove and dispose of litter within the designated areas before mowing. Mow and trim grassed areas at the designated height and frequency. Edge where required. Do not use nylon cord trimmers inside plant basins or inside beds containing plant material. Trim vegetation and remove debris from curbs, sidewalks, and other hardscape features.

3.1.6. **Staking, Guying, and Bracing of Plants**. Stake, guy, or brace plants as directed. Remove support materials when directed, and dispose of removed materials.

3.2. **Plant Replacement**. Remove plants selected by the Engineer and replace with plants of the original species, size, and characteristics or with approved substitutes, if required on the plans. Replace plants that have been damaged or killed due to the actions or negligence of the Contractor at no additional cost to the Department. Replace plants within the next scheduled work period following notification to begin replacement unless otherwise directed. Backfill in conformance with the plans or as directed.

3.3. **Vegetative Watering**. Apply water at the designated rate and frequency to plants or planting areas not serviced by an existing irrigation system. Apply water as directed, adjusting rate and frequency to provide adequate moisture to plant material. Use watering equipment with accurate measuring devices.

3.4. **Irrigation System Operation and Maintenance**. Maintain the system under the supervision of a person possessing an irrigator's license issued by the TCEQ, and provide documentation of this license. Verify and adhere to all local, state, and federal regulations. Coordinate and obtain required backflow preventer testing at no cost to the Department. Operate the system using water provided by the Department unless otherwise shown on the plans. Ensure that all zones are functioning properly and providing adequate moisture to plant material using an approved watering schedule. Winterize the system, when required, to prevent freeze damage in locations where temperatures fall below 32°F. Repair the system using replacement parts of the same type and manufacturer as originally installed or an approved equal. Provide plant irrigation by an approved alternate method at no cost to the Department if the system fails due to the Contractor's actions or neglect.

4. MEASUREMENT

"Plant Maintenance" will be measured by the month or by the cycle. "Plant Replacement" will be measured by each plant. "Vegetative Watering" will be measured by the 1,000 gal. of water. "Irrigation System Operation and Maintenance" will be measured by the month.

5. PAYMENT

The work performed and materials furnished in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under "Measurement" will be paid for at the unit price bid for "Plant Maintenance," "Plant Replacement" of the size specified, "Plant Replacement" of the size and type specified, "Plant Replacement" of the group specified, "Vegetative Watering," and "Irrigation System Operation and Maintenance." This price is full compensation for furnishing and operating equipment and for litter pickup, mowing, trimming, edging, pruning, fertilizer, labor, materials, tools, and incidentals. Plant replacement needed due to Contractor negligence will be at no additional cost to the Department.

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