#### AGREEMENT BETWEEN OWNER AND CONTRACTOR

The Parties to this agreement are:

#### Owner:

FORT BEND GRAND PARKWAY TOLL ROAD AUTHORITY, a political subdivision of the State of Texas. c/o The Muller Law Group, PLLC 202 Century Square Blvd.
Sugar Land, Texas 77478

#### Contractor:

Texas Materials Group, Inc. dba Gulf Coast, a CRH company 3003 Kilgore Parkway Baytown, Texas 77523

THIS AGREEMENT ("Agreement") is made and entered into this 20th day of February , 2023, between the Parties, for and in consideration of the mutual covenants hereinafter set forth, and under the conditions expressed in the Bonds bearing event date herewith, the Contractor and Owner hereby agree as follows:

#### Scope of Work:

Contractor shall commence and complete the Work generally described as follows:

Fort Bend Grand Parkway Toll Road (SH 99), from Peek Road to south of River Park Dr., For Construction of Asphalt Planing/Milling, Asphalt Overlay, and Repairs to Concrete Joints and Pavement (Project 126-1041)

for Fort Bend Grand Parkway Toll Road Authority,
Fort Bend County, Texas,
according to those particular Plans and Technical Specifications (each as defined below)
prepared by BGE, Inc. ("Engineer")

and all extra work in connection therewith, as agreed to by the Parties hereof ("Extra Work"), under the terms as stated in this Agreement and the Contract Documents (as defined herein), and, at Contractor's own proper cost and expense, to furnish all the materials, supplies, machinery, equipment, tools, superintendence, labor, insurance, and other accessories and services necessary to complete the said Work, in accordance with the conditions and prices stated in the Specifications and Bid attached hereto and in accordance with the contract documents, including, but not limited to, invitation to bidders, instructions to bidders, all documents referenced in the Governing Specifications and Special Provisions, General Notes, plans, and other drawings and printed or written explanatory matter thereof (collectively, "Plans"), and the Specifications and Bid and other technical specifications (collectively, "Technical Specifications"), on file with Engineer (collectively, "Contract

Documents"). Contractor represents and warrants to the Owner that it has carefully examined this Agreement and all other Contract Documents, which are made a part of the Agreement, and is thoroughly familiar therewith.

Under this Agreement and the Contract Documents, Contractor shall furnish all materials, appliances, tools, equipment, transportation, services, and all labor and superintendence necessary for the Work as described in the Technical Specifications and as shown on the Plans. The completed Work shall not lack any part that can be reasonably implied as necessary to its proper functioning or any subsidiary item that is customarily furnished, and Contractor shall deliver the Work to Owner in operating condition.

The Work, in general, under the Agreement includes:

For Construction consisting of Asphalt Planing/Milling, Asphalt Overlay, and Repairs to Concrete

Joints and Pavement

#### Time for Completion:

The Contractor hereby agrees to begin work within **10 calendar days** after Engineer has given written Notice to Proceed. Contractor hereby also agrees to achieve Final Acceptance (as defined in Section 12 of Item 5 of the Texas Department of Transportation's Items 1-9, General Requirements and Covenants) of the Work within 90 calendar days after the date of the written Notice to Proceed.

#### Surety Bonds Required:

It is further agreed by the parties to this Agreement that Contractor will execute:

• a Payment Bond in the sum of 100% of the initial Contract Price (as defined herein), if the initial Contract Price is \$25,000 or more

#### AND

• a Performance Bond in the sum of 100% of the initial Contract Price, if the initial Contract Price is \$100,000 or more,

for the satisfactory performance of the Work, the fulfillment of any guarantees required, and the prompt payment to all persons supplying labor and materials in the prosecution of the Work, in accordance with this Agreement on the forms provided for this purpose; and it is agreed that this Agreement shall not be in effect until such Bonds are furnished and approved by Owner. Upon increase of the Contract Price authorized by Change Order, Contractor shall immediately provide revised Bonds for such increased Contract Price. Contractor's failure to provide compliant Bonds may be grounds for immediate termination regardless of whether the Contractor has started the Work.

All Bonds shall be in the form prescribed by the Contract Documents except as required otherwise by applicable laws or regulations, and shall be executed by such sureties as are named in the current list of "Companies Holding Certificates of Authority as Acceptable Sureties on Federal Bonds and as Acceptable Reinsuring Companies" as published in Circular 370 (amended) by the Financial

Management Service, Surety Bond Branch, U.S. Department of the Treasury. A certified copy of the agent's authority to act must accompany all Bonds signed by an agent. Surety must have a minimum Best's Key Rating of "B+". If the surety company does not have such a rating due to the length of time it has existed, the surety company must be eligible to participate in the surety bond guarantee program of the Small Business Administration and must be an approved surety listed in the current U.S. Department of Treasury Circular 570, and must meet all of the rules and regulations of the Treasury Department with respect to performance and payment bonds for federal jobs, including specifically the rules related to the underwriting limitation.

For bonds over \$100,000, the surety must also hold a certificate of authority from the United States Secretary of Treasury to qualify as a surety on obligations permitted or required under federal law, or have obtained reinsurance for any liability in excess of \$1,000,000 from a reinsurer that is authorized and admitted as a reinsurer in the State of Texas and is the holder of a certificate of authority from the United States Secretary of Treasury to qualify as a surety or reinsurer on obligations permitted or required under federal law. The person executing the Bonds must be a licensed Texas local recording agent and such licensing must be recorded in the files of the Texas Department of Insurance.

The person executing the Bonds must be authorized by the surety company to execute the Bonds on behalf of the company in the amount required for this Agreement and such authorization must be recorded in the files of the Texas Department of Insurance. This Agreement shall not be in effect until such Bonds have been provided by the Contractor and accepted by the Owner.

If the surety on any Bond furnished by Contractor is declared bankrupt, becomes insolvent, its right to do business is terminated in any state where any part of the project is located, or it ceases to meet the requirements herein, Contractor shall promptly notify Owner and Engineer, and shall, within 10 calendar days after the event giving rise to such notification, provide another Bond and surety to fulfill the required obligations.

#### Contract Price:

The Contract Price for this Work is <u>Two Million One Hundred Forty-Four Thousand Five Hundred One Dollars and Twenty Cents</u> (\$2,144,501.20). The initial Contract Price may increase or decrease due to Change Orders and the Contract Price Adjustment as provided by this Agreement and the Contract Documents.

Owner agrees to pay Contractor's invoices for work performed, in accordance with the terms of the Contract Documents, in an aggregate amount not to exceed the Contract Price, plus Change Orders and Extra Work approved by the Board of Directors of the Owner. Failure by Owner to make such payments to the Contractor shall constitute a default by Owner and shall entitle the Contractor to all rights and remedies arising under the Contract Documents for a default in payment of sums due.

Contractor and Owner agree that time is of the essence of this Agreement. Therefore, Contractor and Owner agree that for each and every calendar day the Work or any portion thereof shall remain incomplete after the expiration of the time limits set in the Agreement, or as extended under the provisions of the Contract Documents, the Contract Price will decrease by \$500.00 for Final Acceptance ("Contract Price Adjustment"). The Owner shall have the option to deduct and withhold said amount from any monies that the Owner owes the Contractor or its sureties or to recover such amount from the Contractor or the sureties on the Contractor's performance bond.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties to these presents have executed this Agreement in the year and day first above written.

	FORT BEND GRAND PARKWAY TOLL ROAD AUTHORITY Owner  By: Name: JAMES D. RICE
	Title: CHAIRMAN
	Contractor: Texas MaterialsGroup, Inc. dba  Gulf Coast, a CRH company  By  Name: Kevin Guy
	Title: Estimator
herein; that Kevin Guy, who signed this	asst. Tretary of the Corporation named as Contractor Agreement on behalf of Contractor, was then tion; that said Agreement was duly signed for
EFFECTIVE DATE	
THIS AGREEMENT IS EFFECTIVE ON FORT BEND COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURS NULL AND VOID.	
DATE OF COMMISSIONERS COURT APPROVAGENDA ITEM NO.:	'AL:

#### CONTRACTOR VERIFICATION STATEMENT

Reference is made to that certain agreement by and between the Fort Bend Grand Parkway Toll Road Authority and Texas Materials Group Inc., dba Gulf Coast, a CRH Company (the "Contractor") dated as of <u>February 20</u>, 2023 (the "Agreement"). In connection with the foregoing Agreement, Contractor hereby certifies and agrees that it

- (i) does not, nor will not, so long as the Agreement remains in effect, boycott Israel, as such term is defined in Chapter 808, Texas Government Code,
- (ii) does not engage in business with Iran, Sudan, or any foreign terrorist organization pursuant to Subchapter F of Chapter 2252 of the Texas Government Code;
- (iii) is not identified on a list prepared and maintained under Sections 806.051, 807.051, or 2252.153, Texas Government Code;
- (iv) does not, nor will not, so long as the Agreement remains in effect, boycott energy companies, as such term is defined in Chapter 809, Texas Government Code;
- (v) does not, nor will not, so long as the Agreement remains in effect, have a practice, policy, guidance, or directive that discriminates against a firearm entity or firearm trade association, as defined in 2274.001(3), Texas Government Code; and
- (vi) is not (a) owned or controlled by (1) individuals who are citizens of China, Iran, North Korea, Russia or any designated country (as such term is defined in 113.003, Texas Business & Commerce Code); or (2) a company or other entity, including a governmental entity, that is owned or controlled by citizens of or is directly controlled by the government of China, Iran, North Korea, Russia, of any designated country; or (b) headquartered in China, Iran, North Korea, Russia or a designated country.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUAL AS AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF THE CONTRACTOR HEREBY EXECUTES AND DELIVERS THIS VERIFICATION STATEMENT EFFECTIVE AS OF THE EFFFECTIVE DATE OF THE AGREEMENT:

Texas Materials Group Inc., dba Gulf Coast, a CRH Company

Name: Kevin Guy

Title: Estimator

### ACTION BY WRITTEN CONSENT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

OF

#### TEXAS MATERIALS GROUP, INC.

The undersigned, being all of the members of the Board of Directors of Texas Materials Group, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "*Corporation*"), do hereby, pursuant to applicable Delaware statute, give this written consent to the taking of the following actions, such actions to have the same force and effect had a meeting been duly called and held:

#### I. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

**RESOLVED**, that effective June 27, 2022, all previous elections of officers are terminated, and the following persons be, and hereby are, elected to serve as officers of the Corporation (each individually, an "Officer" and collectively, the "Officers") in the capacities set forth opposite their respective names until such time as their successors shall be elected and qualified:

Aaron Price President

Kristin Davis Secretary/Treasurer

Kal A. Kincaid

John Shogren

Vice President/Assistant Secretary

David M. Toolan Admin. Vice President/Assistant Secretary

Robert Banks Assistant Secretary

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Officers be, and each of them hereby is, authorized to execute and deliver agreements, contracts, documents, certificates, and other instruments, under the seal of the Corporation if required, for the purpose of conducting the Corporation's business, including without limitation, selling products and securing construction work, and to take such other action, as they may deem necessary, advisable, convenient, or appropriate to carry out and fully perform duties incident to the office or offices so appointed, and such other duties as may be prescribed by the Board of Directors from time to time;

**FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the following persons are hereby designated Officers solely for the purpose of attesting signatures of other Officers signing on behalf of the Corporation, and for executing and attesting various corporate documents, tax returns, affidavits, and other instruments as may be necessary from time to time:

Jessica Aldrich Assistant Secretary/Assistant Treasurer

Michael F. Deaton
Rodney McCarn
Gary P. Hickman
William P. Jones
David C. Lewis
Assistant Secretary
Assistant Secretary
Assistant Secretary
Assistant Secretary
Assistant Secretary

#### II. APPOINTMENT OF AUTHORIZED EMPLOYEES

**RESOLVED,** that effective June 27, 2022 all previous appointments of authorized employees are terminated, and that the following persons be and each of them hereby is appointed to serve as an authorized employee of the Corporation, which persons shall be authorized to execute and deliver such agreements, contracts, documents, certificates and other instruments, under the seal of the Corporation if required, for the purpose of conducting the Corporation's business including, without limitation, selling products and securing construction work:

Robert Brown Kaylon Page Wavne Sweet Barry Egbert James A. Connor Ron Stinson Dean Donnellan Stephen Koonce Artie Tucker Lance Phillips David Reese Ben Liggett Brian Miller Scott Blanchard Angela Kvarme TJ Brown

Lisa Roberts Derek Schluterman

Tom HershbergerSam DavisKelly AndrewsKevin GuyPhillip KingKirk MorrisBen WibbenmeyerKyle LewisKeith PiersonJacob Trim

Chris Michael Dean W. Buchanan Colin Tinsley Jason (Thad) Traverse

Johnathan Murphy Troy Rakes

Jake Kilgore

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the President of the Corporation may, from time to time, without further action by the Board of Directors, appoint other persons to serve as authorized employees, or remove any individuals from this capacity, and to direct those appointed to take such action, as he may deem necessary, advisable, convenient or appropriate to carry out and fully perform the duties incident to the office of President.

#### III. AUTHORIZATION OF TRADE NAMES

**RESOLVED,** that the activities and operations of the Corporation may be carried on in any of the following manners or styles as may from time-to-time be deemed necessary or appropriate:

Gulf Coast, A CRH company Texas Bit, A CRH company Texas Concrete, A CRH company Texas Materials, A CRH company

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the President of the Corporation may, from time to time, without further action by the Board of Directors, authorize the use of additional trade names, and to deem unauthorized any trade name previously authorized, as he may deem necessary, advisable, convenient or appropriate.

#### IV. MISCELLANEOUS

**RESOLVED**, that all actions previously taken by any Officer of the Corporation appointed hereunder in his/her capacity as such Officer be, and each of them hereby is, adopted, ratified, confirmed and approved in all respects as the authorized acts and deeds of the Corporation;

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that each undersigned agrees that electronic signatures, whether digital or encrypted, of the Board of Directors are intended to authenticate this consent and to have the same force and effect as manual signatures. As used in the previous sentence, the term "electronic signatures" means any electronic sound, symbol or process attached to or logically associated with this consent and executed and adopted by a member of the Board of Directors with the intent to sign such consent, including, but not limited to, e-mail electronic signatures executed through DocuSign Services; and

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this Consent, following execution by all of the members of the Board of Directors, be filed in appropriate order in the minute book of the Corporation.

DocuSigned by:	DocuSigned by:
John keating	laron frice
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John J. Keating	Aaron Price

### **SPECIFICATIONS AND BID**

## FOR FORT BEND GRAND PARKWAY TOLL ROAD AUTHORITY

## FORT BEND GRAND PARKWAY TOLL ROAD (SH 99) from PEEK ROAD to south of RIVER PARK DR.

Project 126-1041

For Construction of Asphalt Planing/Milling, Asphalt Overlay, and Repairs to Concrete Joints and Pavement

Notice To Bidder:

ALL BIDS ARE TO BE SUBMITTED TO FORT BEND GRAND PARKWAY AUTHORITY, C/O BGE, INC., 10777 WESTHEIMER, SUITE 400, HOUSTON, TEXAS, 77042 or by electronic bid on CivCast BY 2:00 P.M. ON THURSDAY, FEBUARY 16, 2023.

BIDDER IS REQUIRED TO FILL IN INFORMATION BELOW:

Texas Materials Group, Inc. dba Gulf Coast, a CRH company
BIDDER (Company Name)

\*2,144,501.20

FORT BEND COUNTY, TEXAS

#### Offical Bid Results

#### Fort Bend Grand Pakway Toll Road Authority (SH 99) From Peek Rd. to S. of River Park Dr.

Construction of Asphalt Planing/Milling, Asphalt Overlay, and Repairs to Concrete Joints and Pavement

County: FORT BEND	PROPOSAL SHEET	AUTH	USE ONLY	Texas Materials Group, Inc. dba Gulf Coast a CRH Company	
ITEM NO. &	DESCRIPTION	UNIT	APPROX.  QUANTITIES	Apparent	Low Bidder
DESC. CODE			QUANTITIES	Unit bid Price	Amount
354-9001	PLANE CONC PAV(0" TO 3/4")	SY	77505	\$0.05	\$3,875.25
354-9002	PLANE CONC PAV CONC PAV (GREATER THAN 3/4" TO 1-1/2")	SY	25836	\$0.05	\$1,291.80
354-9003	PLANE ASPH CONC PAVE(0" TO 3/4" MICRO)	SY	7767	\$6.25	\$48,543.75
354-9004	PLANE ASPH CONC PAVE(GREATER THAN 3/4" TO 1-1/2" MICRO)	SY	2589	\$6.25	\$16,181.25
361-6004	FULL - DEPTH REPAIR CRCP (10")	SY	350	\$470.00	\$164,500.00
500-6001	MOBILIZATION	LS	1	\$160,000.00	\$160,000.00
502-6001	BARRICADES, SIGNS AND TRAFFIC HANDLING	MO	4	\$2,400.00	\$9,600.00
662-6002	WK ZN PAV MRK NON-REMOV (W) 4"(DOT)	LF	369	\$0.50	\$184.50
662-6005	WK ZN PAV MRK NON-REMOV (W) 6"(BRK)	LF	5490	\$0.46	\$2,525.40
662-6008	WK ZN PAV MRK NON-REMOV (W) 6"(SLD)	LF	68392	\$0.46	\$31,460.32
662-6012	WK ZN PAV MRK NON-REMOV (W) 8"(SLD)	LF	5490	\$0.90	\$4,941.00
662-6024	WK ZN PAV MRK NON-REMOV (W) (SYMBOL)	EA	20	\$95.00	\$1,900.00
662-6029	WK ZN PAV MRK NON-REMOV (W) (WORD)	EA	44	\$95.00	\$4,180.00
662-6037	WK ZN PAV MRK NON-REMOV (Y) 6" (SLD)	LF	66798	\$0.46	\$30,727.08
666-6006	REFL PAV MRK TY I (W) 4" (DOT)(100MIL)	LF	369	\$1.00	\$369.00
666-6036	REFL PAV MRK TY I (W) 8" (SLD)(100MIL)	LF	2745	\$1.50	\$4,117.50
666-6054	REFL PAV MRK TY I (W)(ARROW)(100MIL)	EA	3	\$130.00	\$390.00
666-6078	REFL PAV MRK TY I (W)(WORD)(100MIL)	EA	22	\$135.00	\$2,970.00
666-6096	REFL PAV MRK TY I (W)(SYMBOL)(100MIL)	EA	10	\$145.00	\$1,450.00
666-6306	RE PM W/RET REQ TY I (W)6"(BRK)(100MIL)	LF	8300	\$0.70	\$5,810.00
666-6343	REF PROF PAV MRK TY I (W)6"(SLD)(100MIL)	LF	34196	\$0.70	\$23,937.20
666-6347	REF PROF PAV MRK TY I (Y)6"(SLD)(100MIL)	LF	33399	\$0.71	\$23,713.29
672-6010	REFL PAV MRKR TY II-C-R	EA	968	\$5.00	\$4,840.00
678-6001	PAV SURF PREP FOR MRK (4IN)	LF	369	\$0.04	\$14.76
678-6002	PAV SURF PREP FOR MRK (6IN)	LF	75895	\$0.06	\$4,553.70
678-6004	PAV SURF PREP FOR MRK (8IN)	LF	2745	\$0.08	\$219.60
678-6009	PAV SURF PREP FOR MRK (ARROW)	EA	3	\$7.00	\$21.00
678-6016	PAV SURF PREP FOR MRK (WORD)	EA	22	\$7.00	\$154.00
678-6021	PAV SURF PREP FOR MRK (SYMBOL)	EA	10	\$7.00	\$70.00
721-6002	FIBER REINFORCED POLYMER PATCHING MATLS	LB	90000	\$2.60	\$234,000.00
3076-6078	D-GR HMA TY-D SAC-A PG76-22 (EXEMPT)	TON	8527	\$146.00	\$1,244,942.00
3076-6066	TACK COAT (0.06 GAL/SY)	GAL	6202	\$4.20	\$26,048.40
6001-6001	PORTABLE CHANGEABLE MESSAGE SIGN	DAY	100	\$60.00	\$6,000.00
6185-6002	TMA (STATIONARY)	DAY	40	\$255.00	\$10,200.00
6185-6003	TMA (MOBILE OPERATION)	HR	320	\$33.00	\$10,560.00
9000-9001	SAW GROOVING	SY	10356	\$3.40	\$35,210.40
9999-9999	FORCE ACCOUNT FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT & SAFETY	LS			\$25,000.00
				Grand Total	\$2,144,501.20

Highway: Fort Bend Grand Parkway Toll Road (SH 99)

Project No.: 126-1041 County: Fort Bend

The enclosed Texas Department of Transportation and Fort Bend Grand Parkway Toll Road Authority Specifications, Special Provisions, General Notes and Specification Data in this document have been selected by me, or under my responsible supervision, as being applicable to this project(s).

NOTE: For the purpose of constructing this Specifications and Bid and the attached form of Contract, the Texas Department of Transportation Standard Specifications for Construction of Highways, Streets and Bridges, as adopted by the Texas Department of Transportation on November 1, 2014, hereinafter referred to are approved and incorporated herein by reference for all purposes by the Fort Bend Grand Parkway Toll Road Authority as official specifications, together with and to be modified by the Special Provisions and Special Specifications as are listed herein.



Project Manager BGE, Inc.

01-23-2023

Date:

#### **General Notes:**

#### General:

The project scope is:

- Mill (plane) the existing approximately 3/4" thin bonded permeable friction course (TBPFC) for the areas shown in the plans.
- Asphalt overlay will not be placed on bridge decks. Asphalt overlay will not be placed on the concrete pavement from the northside Riverpark Dr entrance and exit ramp gores to the south side of bridge.
- Scraping and Micro-milling equipment will be required method for removal asphalt on top of bridge decks and the RiverPark concrete pavement approaches. Contractor shall check existing asphalt depth on bridge decks prior to removal to ensure micro-milling does not affect bridge deck. The intent of this project at the Riverpark bridge and approaches is to leave no asphalt after removal in the opinion of the Engineer. Micro-milling may be required if contactor scrapes and asphalt remains. Saw grooving of transverse grooves in micro-milled areas may be required. If required, saw grooving will be paid under Item 9000.
- Existing fibercrete joints at bridges shall be removed by scraping or micro-milling. Payment will be made as part of the SY micro-milling measurement.
- Within 7 days of milling an area, the engineer or designated representative will inspect and mark the pavement for joint repair and concrete pavement repair needs.
- Prior to asphalt overlay, the contractor shall perform the marked repairs. The quantities for joint and pavement repairs are approximate and cannot be determined until the existing asphalt (TBPFC) is removed.

Toll incurred but the Contractor are incidental to the various bid items. The Authority will not reimburse the Contractor for any tolls incurred while performing the work.

Unless otherwise shown on the plans, RAP generated by this project will become the property of the Contractor.

If fixed features require, the governing slopes shown may vary between the limits shown and to the extent determined by the Engineer.

Superelevate the curves to match the existing surface.

References to manufacturer's trade name or catalog numbers are for the purpose of identification only. Similar materials from other manufacturers are permitted if they are of equal quality, comply with the specifications for this project, and are approved, except for roadway illumination, electrical, and traffic signal items.

Procure permits and licenses, which are to be issued by the City, County, or Municipal Utility District.

#### **General: Site Management**

Mark stations every 100 ft. and maintain the markings for the project duration. Remove the station markings at the completion of the project. This work is subsidiary to the various bid items.

Do not mix or store materials, or store or repair equipment, on top of concrete pavement or bridge decks unless authorized by the Engineer. Permission may be granted to store materials on surfaces if no damage or discoloration will result.

Personal vehicles of employees are not permitted to park within the right of way, including sections closed to public traffic. Employees may park on the right of way at the Contractor's office, equipment, and materials storage yard sites.

Control the dust caused by construction operations. For sweeping the base material in preparation for laying asphalt and for sweeping the finished concrete pavement, use one of the following types of sweepers or approved equal:

#### **Tricycle Type**

Wayne Series 900 Elgin White Wing Elgin Pelican

#### Truck Type - 4 Wheel

M-B Cruiser II Wayne Model 945 Mobile TE-3 Mobile TE-4 Murphy 4042

#### **General: Traffic Control and Construction**

When design details are not shown on the plans, provide signs and arrows conforming to the latest "Standard Highway Sign Designs for Texas" manual.

#### Item 7: Legal Relations and Responsibilities

This project is on a hurricane evacuation route. Provide at the pre-construction meeting a written plan outlining procedures to suspend work, secure the job site, and safely handle traffic through and across the project in the event of a hurricane evacuation.

During the hurricane season (June 1 through November 30), do not close any travel lanes except when the Contractor can demonstrate that he/she can provide labor, equipment, material, a work plan, and quality of work to satisfactorily return all lanes to an open, all-weather travel surface within 3 days of receiving written or verbal notice but no later than 3 days before the predicted hurricane landfall. Construction of temporary lanes to an all-weather surface will be paid for in accordance with Article 9.7, "Payment for Extra Work and Force Account Method."

In addition to lane closures, cease work 3 days before the predicted hurricane landfall on or near the roadway that adversely impacts the flow of traffic and reduces the capacity of the highway during an evacuation. Vehicles of the Contractor, subcontractors, or material suppliers will not be allowed to enter or exit the traffic stream, including those for the purpose of material hauling and delivery, and mobilization or demobilization of equipment. When directed, this prohibition will include a reasonable time period for the evacuees to return to their point of origin.

#### **Item 8: Prosecution and Progress**

The Authority will not adjust the number of days for the project and milestones, if any, due to differences in opinion regarding any assumptions made in the preparation of the schedule or for errors, omissions, or discrepancies found in the time determination schedule.

Working days will be computed and charged based on calendar days.

The Lane Closure Assessment Fee is \$1,000.00. This fee applies to the Contractor for closures or obstructions that overlap into restricted hour traffic for each hour or portion thereof, per lane, regardless of the length of lane closure or obstruction. For Restricted Hours subject to Lane Assessment Fee refer to the Item, "Barricades, Signs, and Traffic Handling." The time increment for the Lane Closure Assessment fee for this project is one hour.

#### Item 305: Salvaging, Hauling, and Stockpiling Reclaimable Asphalt Pavement

Unless otherwise shown on the plans, RAP generated by this project will become the property of the Contractor for use in the current construction project or in future projects.

Verify the depth of asphalt pavement to be removed and notify FBGPTRA inspection staff before beginning the removal.

#### **Item 354: Planing and Texturing Pavement**

Immediately after planing/milling, contractor shall sweep and remove all asphalt milling debris from lanes, shoulders and adjacent grass areas. No payment for planing/milling shall be made for the particular area worked until cleaned.

#### **Item 361: Repair of Concrete Pavement**

For full depth repair, remove only the quantity of pavement replaceable during the daily allowable work schedule.

Remove loose sub-base material and replace it with concrete. Use a bondbreaker, such as a polyethylene sheet, at the interface between the replaced sub-base material and the new concrete pavement.

Supply polyethylene fabric on the job site sufficient to cover the area of repair.

Do not place concrete if impending weather may result in rainfall or low temperatures that may impair the quality of the finished work.

Repair portions of the concrete pavement surfaces that are damaged while in a plastic state before those areas receive permanent pavement markings and open to traffic. Perform repairs that are structurally equivalent to and cosmetically uniform with adjacent undamaged areas. Do not repair by grouting onto the surface.

Ready mix concrete will be permitted if the equipment and construction methods can produce the desired results. Hand finishing will be permitted.

Perform saw cutting as shown on the plans in accordance with Section 360.4.10, "Sawing Joints." This saw cutting is subsidiary to this bid Item.

#### Item 502: Barricades, Signs, and Traffic Handling

The Lane Closure Assessment Fee will be charged for all unauthorized closures of tolled lanes on the Authority's facilities, as well as frontage road and surface street lanes belonging to Fort Bend County. The Contractor will be charged for all unauthorized closures on the ramps, frontage roads and/ or main lanes at a rate of one thousand (\$1,000.00) dollars per lane per hour per location of closure. This fee applies to the Contractor for closures or obstructions that overlap into restricted hour traffic for each hour or portion thereof, per lane, regardless of the length of lane closure or obstruction. For Restricted Hours subject to Lane Assessment Fee see below.

Restricted Lane Closure Hours (Monday – Friday, Peak Hours):

Fort Bend Grand Parkway Toll Road

(Main lanes, frontage roads and ramps)

6:00am to 9:00am; 3:30pm to 7:00pm

Off-duty uniformed officers, with vehicles equipped in accordance with Texas Transportation Code, with transportation jurisdiction and full police powers shall be provided by the Contractor during all closures of two or more lanes, at all signalized intersections with a lane closure, and/or as required by the Engineer. The cost of providing the officers shall be paid for directly from the Force Account with no mark-up.

When law enforcement is used, at least one off-duty officer must be with the Fort Bend County sheriff's or constables' office, or other local Fort Bend County jurisdictions. The Authority may waive this requirement depending on project needs or circumstances.

Payment for use of law enforcement officers during lane closures shall be requested by the Contractor and approved by the Authority prior to the work.

Use a traffic control plan for handling traffic through the various phases of construction. Follow the phasing sequence unless otherwise agreed upon by the Area Engineer and the Project Manager. Ensure this plan conforms to the latest "Texas Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices" and the latest Barricade and Construction (BC) Standard Sheets. The latest versions of Work Zone Standard Sheets WZ (BTS-1) and WZ (BTS-2) are the traffic control plan for the signal installations.

Submit changes to the traffic control plan to the Area Engineer. Provide a layout showing the construction phasing, signs, striping, and signalizations for changes to the original traffic control plan.

Furnish and maintain the barricades and warning signs, including the necessary temporary and portable traffic control devices, during the various phases of construction. Place and construct these barricades and warning signs in accordance with the latest "Texas Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices" for typical construction layouts.

Cover work zone signs when work related to the signs is not in progress, or when any hazard related to the signs no longer exists.

Keep the delineation devices, signs, and pavement markings clean. This work is subsidiary to the Item, "Barricades, Signs, and Traffic Handling."

Erect temporary signs when exit ramps are closed or moved to new locations during construction.

Before detouring traffic onto the mainlane shoulders, remove dirt, debris, vegetation, and other deleterious material from the surface of the shoulders. Appropriately sign the detour in an approved manner. This work is subsidiary to the various bid items.

Do not mount signs on drums or barricades, except those listed in the latest Barricades and Construction standard sheets.

Use traffic cones for daytime work only. Replace the cones with plastic drums during nighttime hours.

Do not reduce the existing number of lanes open to traffic except as shown on the following time schedule:

#### **One Lane Closure**

Day	<b>Daytime Closure</b>	Nighttime Closure	<b>Restricted Hours Subject</b>
	Hours	Hours	to Lane Assessment Fee
Monday	9:00AM – 3:30PM	7:00PM-6:00AM	6:00AM – 9:00AM
			3:30PM - 7:00PM
Tuesday	9:00AM - 3:30PM	7:00PM-6:00AM	6:00AM – 9:00AM
			3:30PM - 7:00PM
Wednesday	9:00AM - 3:30PM	7:00PM-6:00AM	6:00AM – 9:00AM
			3:30PM - 7:00PM
Thursday	9:00AM – 3:30PM	7:00PM-6:00AM	6:00AM – 9:00AM
			3:30PM - 7:00PM
Friday	9:00AM - 3:30PM	7:00PM-6:00AM	6:00AM – 9:00AM
			3:30PM - 7:00PM
Saturday	ALL DAY	ALL DAY	NONE
Sunday	ALL DAY	ALL DAY	NONE

The above times are approved for the traffic control conditions listed. The Engineer may approve other closure times if traffic counts warrant. The Engineer may reduce the above times for special events.

All lanes of the RiverPark bridge may be closed and traffic detoured to the frontage road during off-peak hours listed under One Lane Closure table (above).

A minimum of 7 days in advance of any lane closure, place a portable changeable message (PCM) sign at the location of each total closure which informs the traveling public of the details of the closure. Alternately, if the Traffic Control Plan provides a positive barrier at the location, a non-trailer mounted static message board sign behind the positive barrier may be used in place of a PCM.

Use Uneven Lane Signs (CW 8-11) during resurfacing operations for elevation differences between adjacent lanes of greater than 1 in.

#### **Item 504: Field Office and Laboratory**

A field office is not required.

#### **Item 545: Crash Cushion Attenuators**

A MASH compliant crash cushion attenuator is required for every temporary and permanent installation.

#### **Item 585: Ride Quality for Pavement Surfaces**

Milling will not be allowed as a corrective action for excessive deviations in the final surface layer of hot-mix asphalt.

For asphalt mainlanes, use Surface Test Type B and Pay Adjustment Schedule 1. For ramps use Surface Test Type A.

#### **Item 662: Work Zone Pavement Markings**

At the end of each workday, mark roadways that remain open to traffic during construction operations with standard pavement markings, in accordance with the latest "Texas Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices."

Do not use raised pavement markers or short term markings as optional work zone pavement markings on final asphalt surfaces.

Item 662: Work Zone Pavement MarkingsItem 666: Reflectorized Pavement Markings

Use Type III glass beads for thermoplastic pavement markings.

Use a 0.100 in. (100 mil) thickness for thermoplastic pavement markings, measured to the top of the thermoplastic, not including the exposed glass beads.

For roadways with asphalt surfaces to be striped with work zone or permanent thermoplastic markings, the Contractor has the option to apply paint and beads markings for a maximum 30-day period until placing the thermoplastic markings, or until starting the succeeding phase of work on the striped area. Maintain the paint and beads markings, at no expense to the Department, until placing the thermoplastic markings or starting the succeeding phase of work on the striped area. The work zone markings, whether paint and beads or thermoplastic, are paid under the Item, "Work Zone Pavement Markings" and the markings are paid for only once for the given phase of construction.

If using paint and bead markings as described above, purchase the traffic paint from the open market.

If the Type II markings become dirty and require cleaning by washing, brushing, compressed air, or other approved methods before applying the Type I thermoplastic markings, this additional cleaning is subsidiary to the Item, "Reflectorized Pavement Markings."

Establish the alignment and layout for work zone striping and permanent striping.

Stripe all roadways before opening them to traffic.

Place pavement markings under these items in accordance with details shown on the plans, the latest "Texas Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices," or as directed.

When design details are not shown on the plans, provide pavement markings for arrows, words, and symbols conforming to the latest "Standard Highway Sign Designs for Texas" manual.

#### **Item 672: Raised Pavement Markers**

Type II C-R shall be placed at 40' spacing on main lanes, frontage roads, and ramps.

If other operations are complete on the project and if the curing time period is not yet elapsed, the contract time will be suspended until the curing is done.

Before placing the raised pavement markers on concrete pavement, blast clean the surface using an abrasive-blasting medium. This work is subsidiary to the Item, "Raised Pavement Markers."

Provide epoxy adhesive that is machine-mixed or nozzle-mixed and dispensed. Equip the machine or nozzle with a mechanism to ensure positive mix measurement control.

#### **Item 677: Eliminating Existing Pavement Markings and Markers**

Remove existing pavement markings on concrete or asphalt surfaces by flail milling or as directed.

Removal of existing raised pavement markings will not be paid for directly but considered incidental to the various bid items.

#### **Item 678: Pavement Surface Preparation for Markings**

Do not blast clean asphalt concrete pavement. Clean asphalt concrete pavement as required under the applicable specifications or as directed.

On new concrete pavement or on existing concrete pavement when placing a new stripe on a new location, remove the curing compounds and contamination from the pavement surface by flail milling or as directed. In addition, air-blast the surface with compressed air just before placing the new stripe.

On existing concrete pavement when placing a new stripe on an existing location, after removing the existing stripe under the Item, "Eliminating Existing Pavement Markings and Markers," airblast the surface with compressed air just before placing the new stripe.

Do not clean concrete pavement by grinding.

#### **Items 3076: Dense-Graded Hot-Mix Asphalt (Small Quantity)**

This project will be considered small quantity and exempt production under Article 4.9.4 even though the total project quantity is over 5,000 tons.

Use a maximum 6H:1V slope for the asphalt concrete pavement edge.

Where the 6H:1V ACP edge taper extends over onto the unsurfaced shoulders, blade off the loose existing shoulder material to provide a solid base for the outside taper edge. After placing the ACP overlay, blade this material back against the edge taper. This work is subsidiary to the various bid items.

The stockpile will be the point of sampling of coarse aggregate for test method TEX-217-F (Part II, decantation).

Place the asphalt concrete pavement in courses as shown on the typical sections.

Do not use petroleum-based solvents in the beds of hot mix asphalt delivery vehicles.

Dilution of tack coat is not allowed.

This project requires use of SAC-A, PG76-22. Use of PG 70-22 or PG 64-22 will not be permitted.

Do not use Surface Aggregate Classification (SAC) C for this project.

For determining the Asphalt Content, only ignition ovens will be allowed.

The tack coat rate shown on the "Basis of Estimate" is an average rate for calculating tack coat quantities. Vary the rate based on the pavement conditions and other factors such as manufacturer's recommendations and weather.

#### Item 6185: Truck Mounted Attenuator (TMA) and Trailer Attenuator (TA)

A shadow vehicle with Truck Mounted Attenuators (TMAs) or Trailer Attenuators (TAs) is required as shown on the appropriate Traffic Control Plan (TCP) sheets. TMAs/TAs must meet the requirements of the Compliant Work Zone Traffic Control Device List.

Level 3 Compliant TMAs/TAs are required for this project.

A total of one (1) shadow vehicle with a TMA/TA is required for the work with the exception of Pavement Marking Operations. The Contractor is responsible for determining if one or more of these operations will be ongoing at the same time to determine the total number of TMAs/TAs needed on the project.

A total of three (3) shadow vehicles with a TMA/TA are required for Pavement Marking Operations. The Contractor is responsible for determining if one or more of these operations will be ongoing at the same time to determine the total number of TMAs/TAs needed on the project.

#### **Basis of Estimate**

Item	Description	Limit and Rate	Unit
3776	Dense-Graded Hot Mix Asphalt	110 Lb. / Sq. YdIn.	TON
	<ul> <li>Asphalt</li> </ul>	6 % by weight	
	Aggregate	94 % by weight	
	Tack Coat		GAL
	<ul> <li>Applied on new HMA</li> </ul>	0.06 Gal. / Sq. Yd.	
	<ul> <li>Applied on Existing HMA</li> </ul>	0.09 Gal. / Sq. Yd.	
	Applied on Milled HMA	0.11 Gal. / Sq. Yd.	

#### **GOVERNING SPECIFICATIONS AND SPECIAL PROVISIONS**

All Specifications and Special Provisions applicable to this Project are identified as follows:

#### STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS

Adopted by the Texas Department of Transportation November 1, 2014. Standard Specifications are incorporated into the Contract by reference.

Items 1-9	General Requirements and Covenants
Item 354	Planing and Texturing Pavement (5)(350)
Item 361	Repair of Concrete Pavement (360)(421)(440)
Item 500	Mobilization
Item 502	Barricades, Signs, and Traffic Handling (5)(9)
Item 585	Ride Quality for Pavement Surfaces
Item 662	Work Zone Pavement Markings (9) (666) (668) (672) (677)
Item 666	Retroreflectorized Pavement Markings (9) (316) (502) (662) (677) (678)
Item 672	Raised Pavement Markers (9) (677) (678)
Item 677	Eliminating Existing Pavement Markings and Markers (9) (300) (302)
	(316)
Item 678	Pavement Surface Preparation for Markings(9)(677)

#### **SPECIAL PROVISIONS**

Special Provisions will govern and take precedence over the Specifications enumerated hereon wherever in conflict therewith. All Special Provisions are included herein.

Prevailing Wages	
Special Provision	General (FBGPTRA)
Special Provision to Item 2	Instructions to Bidders (FBGPTRA) 002-001
Special Provision to Item 3	Award and Execution of the Contract 003-001 (FBGPTRA),
	003-013
Special Provision to Item 4	Scope of Work (FBGPTRA) 004-001
Special Provision to Item 5	Control of the Work 005-002, 005-003
Special Provision to Item 7	Legal Relations and Responsibilities 007-001(FBGPTRA),
	007-011
Special Provision to Item 8	Prosecution and Progress 008-001 (FBGPTRA), 008-030,
	008-033, 008-045
Special Provision to Item 9	Measurement and Payment (FBGPTRA) 009-001
Special Provision to Item 350	350-001
Special Provision to Item 354	354-004
Special Provision to Item 502	502-008
Special Provision to Item 520	520-002
Special Provision to Item 666	666-007
Special Provision to Item 721	721-002
Special Provision to Item 6185	6185-002

Fort Bend Grand Parkway Toll Road (SH 99) from Peek Rd to south of E. Riverpark Project 126-1041

#### **SPECIAL SPECIFICATIONS**

Special Specifications are included herein.

Item 3076	Dense-Graded Hot Mix Asphalt
Item 6001	Portable Changeable Message Sign
Item 6185	Truck Mounted Attenuator (TMA) and Trailer Attenuator (TA)
Item 9000	Concrete Bridge Deck and Pavement Saw Grooving

General: The above-listed specification items are those under which payment is to be made. These, together with such other pertinent items, if any, as may be referred to in the above-listed specification items, and including the Special Provisions listed above, constitute the complete specifications for this contract.

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State: Texas

Construction Type: Highway

Counties: Austin, Brazoria, Chambers, Fort Bend, Galveston, Hardin, Harris, Jefferson, Liberty, Montgomery, Orange, San Jacinto and Waller Counties in Texas.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS (excluding tunnels, building structures in rest area projects & railroad construction; bascule, suspension & spandrel arch bridges designed for commercial navigation, bridges involving marine construction; and other major bridges).

Note: Under Executive Order (EO) 13658, an hourly minimum wage of \$10.95 for calendar year 2021 applies to all contracts subject to the Davis-Bacon Act for which the contract is awarded (and any solicitation was issued) on or after January 1, 2015. If this contract is covered by the EO, the contractor must pay all workers in any classification listed on this wage determination at least \$10.95 per hour (or the applicable wage rate listed on this wage determination, if it is higher) for all hours spent performing on the contract in calendar year 2021. If this contract is covered by the EO and a classification considered necessary for performance of work on the contract does not appear on this wage determination, the contractor must pay workers in that classification at least the wage rate determined through the conformance process set forth in 29 CFR 5.5(a)(1)(ii) (or the EO minimum wage rate, if it is higher than the conformed wage rate). The EO minimum wage rate will be adjusted annually. Please note that this EO applies to the above-mentioned types of contracts entered into by the federal government that are subject to the Davis-Bacon Act itself, but it does not apply to contracts subject only to the Davis-Bacon Related Acts, including those set forth at 29 CFR 5.1(a)(2)-(60). Additional information on contractor requirements and worker protections under the EO is available at www.dol.gov/whd/govcontracts.

### Modification Number Publication Date 01/01/2021 \* SUTX2011-013 08/10/2011 Rates **Fringes CEMENT MASON/CONCRETE** FINISHER (Paving and Structures).....\$ 12.98 ELECTRICIAN.....\$ 27.11 FORM BUILDER/FORM SETTER Paving & Curb.....\$ 12.34 Structures......\$ 12.23 LABORER Asphalt Raker.....\$ 12.36 Flagger.....\$ 10.33 Laborer, Common......\$ 11.02 Laborer, Utility......\$ 11.73 Pipelayer.....\$ 12.12 Work Zone Barricade Servicer.....\$ 11.67 PAINTER (Structures)......\$ 18.62 POWER EQUIPMENT OPERATOR: Asphalt Distributor......\$ 14.06 Asphalt Paving Machine.....\$ 14.32 Broom or Sweeper.....\$ 12.68 **Concrete Pavement** Finishing Machine.....\$ 13.07 Concrete Paving, Curing, Float, Texturing Machine....\$ 11.71 Concrete Saw.....\$ 13.99 Crane, Hydraulic 80 Tons or less.....\$ 13.86 Crane, Lattice boom 80 tons or less.....\$ 14.97 Crane, Lattice boom over 80 Tons.....\$ 15.80

Crawler Tractor.....\$ 13.68

Excavator, 50,000 pounds or less
Scraper\$ 13.47
Spreader Box\$ 13.58
Servicer
TRUCK DRIVER
Low Boy Float\$ 16.03 Single Axle\$ 11.46 Single or Tandem Axle Dump\$ 11.48 Tandem Axle Tractor w/Semi Trailer\$ 12.27
WELDERS - Receive rate prescribed for craft performing operation to which welding is incidental.

Note: Executive Order (EO) 13706, Establishing Paid Sick Leave for Federal Contractors applies to all contracts subject to the Davis-Bacon Act for which the contract is awarded (and any solicitation was issued) on or after January 1, 2017. If this contract is covered by the EO, the contractor must provide employees with 1 hour of paid sick leave for every 30 hours they work, up to 56 hours of paid sick leave each year. Employees must be permitted to use paid sick leave for their own illness, injury or other health-related needs, including preventive care; to assist a family member (or person who is like family to the employee) who is ill, injured, or has other health-related needs, including preventive care; or for reasons resulting from, or to assist a family member (or person who is like family to the employee) who is a victim of, domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking. Additional information on contractor requirements and worker protections under the EO is available at www.dol.gov/whd/govcontracts.

Unlisted classifications needed for work not included within

the scope of the classifications listed may be added after

award only as provided in the labor standards contract clauses

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The body of each wage determination lists the classification and wage rates that have been found to be prevailing for the cited type(s) of construction in the area covered by the wage determination. The classifications are listed in alphabetical order of ""identifiers"" that indicate whether the particular rate is a union rate (current union negotiated rate for local), a survey rate (weighted average rate) or a union average rate (weighted union average rate). Union Rate Identifiers A four letter classification abbreviation identifier enclosed in dotted lines beginning with characters other than ""SU"" or ""UAVG"" denotes that the union classification and rate were prevailing for that classification in the survey. Example:

PLUM0198-005 07/01/2014. PLUM is an abbreviation identifier of the union which prevailed in the survey for this classification, which in this example would be Plumbers. 0198 indicates the local union number or district council number where applicable, i.e., Plumbers Local 0198. The next number, 005 in the example, is an internal number used in processing the wage determination. 07/01/2014 is the effective date of the most current negotiated rate, which in this example is July 1, 2014.

Union prevailing wage rates are updated to reflect all rate changes in the collective bargaining agreement (CBA) governing this classification and rate.

**Survey Rate Identifiers** 

Classifications listed under the ""SU"" identifier indicate that no one rate prevailed for this classification in the survey and the published rate is derived by computing a weighted average

rate based on all the rates reported in the survey for that classification. As this weighted average rate includes all rates reported in the survey, it may include both union and non-union rates. Example: SULA2012-007 5/13/2014. SU indicates the rates are survey rates based on a weighted average

calculation of rates and are not majority rates. LA indicates the State of Louisiana. 2012 is the year of survey on which these classifications and rates are based. The next number, 007 in the example, is an internal number used in producing the wage determination. 5/13/2014 indicates the survey completion date for the classifications and rates under that identifier. Survey wage rates are not updated and remain in effect until a new survey is conducted. Union Average Rate Identifiers Classification(s) listed under the UAVG identifier indicate that no single majority rate prevailed for those classifications; however, 100% of the data reported for the classifications was union data. EXAMPLE: UAVG-OH-0010 08/29/2014. UAVG indicates that the rate is a weighted union average rate. OH indicates the state. The next number, 0010 in the example, is an internal number used in producing the wage determination. 08/29/2014 indicates the survey completion date for the classifications and rates under that identifier.

A UAVG rate will be updated once a year, usually in January of each year, to reflect a weighted average of the current negotiated/CBA rate of the union locals from which the rate is based.

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#### WAGE DETERMINATION APPEALS PROCESS

- 1.) Has there been an initial decision in the matter? This can be:
- \* an existing published wage determination
- \* a survey underlying a wage determination
- \* a Wage and Hour Division letter setting forth a position on
  - a wage determination matter
- \* a conformance (additional classification and rate) ruling

On survey related matters, initial contact, including requests for summaries of surveys, should be with the Wage and Hour Regional Office for the area in which the survey was conducted because those Regional Offices have responsibility for the Davis-Bacon survey program. If the response from this initial contact is not satisfactory, then the process described in 2.) and 3.) should be followed.

With regard to any other matter not yet ripe for the formal process described here, initial contact should be with the Branch of Construction Wage Determinations. Write to:

Branch of Construction Wage Determinations Wage and Hour Division U.S. Department of Labor 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W. Washington, DC 20210 2.) If the answer to the question in 1.) is yes, then an interested party (those affected by the action) can request review and reconsideration from the Wage and Hour Administrator (See 29 CFR Part 1.8 and 29 CFR Part 7). Write to:

Wage and Hour Administrator U.S. Department of Labor 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W. Washington, DC 20210

The request should be accompanied by a full statement of the interested party's position and by any information (wage payment data, project description, area practice material, etc.) that the requestor considers relevant to the issue.

3.) If the decision of the Administrator is not favorable, an interested party may appeal directly to the Administrative Review Board (formerly the Wage Appeals Board). Write to:

Administrative Review Board U.S. Department of Labor 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W. Washington, DC 20210

4.) All decisions by the Administrative Review Board are final.

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**END OF GENERAL DECISION** 

## FORT BEND GRAND PARKWAY TOLL ROAD AUTHORITY SPECIAL PROVISION – GENERAL

For this project, the following sections of the Texas Standard Specifications ("TSS") are hereby modified with respect to the clauses cited below and no other clauses or requirements of the TSS are waived or changed hereby.

Global – All references to "State" or "Department" are replaced with "Authority."

# FORT BEND GRAND PRAKWAY TOLL ROAD AUTHORITY SPECIAL PROVISION TO ITEM 2

#### **INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS**

Item 2, "Instructions to Bidders," of the Texas Department of Transportation Standard Specifications is hereby amended with respect to the clauses cited below. No other clauses or requirements are waived or changed.

Except for Section 1, the remainder of Item 2 is voided and replaced by the following:

**Section 2, Eligibility of Bidders.** For this project, the Fort Bend Grand Parkway Toll Road Authority (FBGPTRA) requires that bidders be prequalified by the Texas Department of Transportation. Submit to Texas Department of Transportation for approval a Confidential Questionnaire Form and an audited financial statement at least 10 days before the date that bids are to be opened. Once approved, the eligibility is valid for a period of one year. Comply with all technical prequalification requirements in the bid form. Obtain prequalification forms from the Construction Division.

To demonstrate Bidder's qualifications to perform the Work, after submitting its Bid and within five (5) days of FBGPTRA's request, Bidder shall submit (a) written evidence establishing its qualifications such as financial data, previous experience, and present commitments, and (b) the following additional information:

- Evidence of Bidder's authority to do business in the state of Texas.
- Bidder's state or other contractor license number, if applicable.
- Subcontractor and Supplier qualification information.
- Evidence that Bidder has successfully completed 4 similar projects under the
  direction of the same firm. Successfully completed projects shall be located in the
  Houston area, completed within the last 3 years and shall be similar to this Work in
  scope and in magnitude of cost.

A Bidder's failure to submit required qualification information within the times indicated may disqualify Bidder from receiving an award of the Contract.

Section 3, Issuing Bid Forms. Request bid forms orally, in writing, or electronically.

In the case of a joint venture, all joint venture participants must be prequalified. An equally divided portion of the Engineer's estimate must be within each participant's available bidding capacity.

The FBGPTRA will not issue a bid form for a proposed Contract if one or more of the following apply:

- The Bidder is disqualified by an agency of the federal government.
- The Bidder is suspended or debarred by the TxDOT Commission, or is prohibited from rebidding a specific proposal because of bid error or failure to enter into a Contract of the first awarded bid.
- The Bidder has not fulfilled the requirements for prequalification.
- The Bidder or a subsidiary or affiliate of the Bidder has received compensation from the FBGPTRA to participate in the preparation of the plans or specifications on which the bid or Contract is based.
- The Bidder did not attend an advertised mandatory pre-bid conference.

Section 4, Interpreting Estimated Quantities. The quantities listed in the bid form are approximate and will be used for the comparison of bids. Payments will be made for the work performed in accordance with the Contract.

Section 5, Examining Documents and Work Locations. Examine the bid form, plans, specifications, and specified work locations before submitting a bid for the work contemplated. Submitting a bid will be considered evidence that the Bidder has performed this examination. Borings, soil profiles, water elevations, and underground utilities shown on the plans were obtained for use of the FBGPTRA in the preparation of plans. This information is provided for the Bidder's information only and the FBGPTRA makes no representation as to the accuracy of the data. Be aware of the difficulty of accurately classifying all material encountered in making foundation investigations, the possible erosion of stream channels and banks after survey data have been obtained, and the unreliability of water elevations other than for the date recorded.

Oral explanations, instructions, or consideration for contractor-proposed changes in the Items of work, specifications, plans or bid forms given during the bidding process are not binding. Only requirements included in the bid form, associated specifications, plans and FBGPTRA issued addenda are binding. Request explanations of documents in adequate time to allow the FBGPTRA to reply before the bid opening date.

Immediately notify the FBGPTRA of any error, omission, or ambiguity discovered in any part of the bid form, specifications or plans. The FBGPTRA will issue an addendum when appropriate.

**Section 6, Preparing the Bid.** Prepare the bid on the form furnished by the FBGPTRA. Bid forms may be printed or electronic (if permitted). Informational forms will not be accepted.

Specify a unit price in dollars and cents for each Item for which an estimated quantity is given. When "Working Days" is an Item, submit the number of working days to be used to complete the Contract, or phases of the Contract shown on the plans.

An Item left blank will constitute an incomplete bid and will be handled as prescribed in Section 11, "Tabulating Bids." Include unit bid prices for each Item in the Item group or alternate Item group, except for instances when alternate Items pertain to foreign steel or iron materials.

If a bid form contains both regular bid Items for domestic and alternate bid Items pertaining to foreign steel or iron materials the bidder must either:

- Submit unit bid prices for domestic bid items only, or
- Submit unit bid prices for both the alternate foreign bid items and domestic bid items.

Verify whether addenda have been issued on a proposed Contract. Acknowledge all addenda.

**Section 7, Nonresponsive Bids.** A bid that has one or more of the deficiencies listed below is nonresponsive and will not be considered.

- The person or, in the case of a manually submitted joint venture bid, persons did not sign the bid form.
- The proposal guaranty did not comply with the requirements contained in Article 2.8,
   "Bid Guaranty."
- The bid was in a form other than the official bid form issued to the Bidder or Bidders.
- The bid was not in the hands of the letting official at the time and location specified
  in the advertisement. For electronic bids, "in the hands of the letting official" means
  CivCast vault acknowledgement.
- The bid form submitted had the incorrect number of Items.
- A computer printout, when used, was not signed in the name of the Bidder (or joint Bidders, in the case of a joint venture), or omitted required Items or included an Item or Items not shown in the bid form.
- The Bidder was not authorized to receive a bid form under Article 2.3, "Issuing Bid Forms."
- The Bidder failed to acknowledge receipt of all addenda issued.
- The Bidder bid more than the maximum or less than the minimum number of allowable working days shown on the plans when working days was an Item.
- The Bidder modified the bid in a manner that altered the conditions or requirements for work as stated in the bid form.
- The Bidder did not attend a specified mandatory pre-bid conference.

- The FBGPTRA will not accept or read any of the bids submitted on the same project by:
  - A joint venture and one or more of its partners, or
  - Affiliated bidders.

#### Section 8, Electronic Bid (if permitted).

**Section 8.1. Electronic Bid Form (if permitted).** Use the electronic bid form in CivCast. Acknowledge an addendum by initialing each addendum listed under the addenda tab in CivCast.

**Article 8.2. Bid Guaranty.** For electronic bids, upload a copy of the guaranty check or bid bond on CivCast. Submit the original guaranty check or bid bond within 24 hours to FBGPTRA.

**Article 8.3. Electronically Submitted Bids (if permitted).** Submit the electronic bid to the electronic vault using CIVCAST. It is the bidder's responsibility to ensure that the bid is received by the electronic vault on or before the time and date set for the opening.

**Article 8.4. Revising Bid Forms.** Make desired changes up until the time and date set for the opening of bids using CIVCAST. The electronically submitted bid with the latest time stamp by the electronic vault will be used for tabulation purposes.

**Article 8.4.1. After Bid Opening.** Revisions to bids are not allowed after the time and date set for the opening.

**Article 8.5.** Withdrawing Bids. Submit a written request to withdraw the bid. For a written request, submit a signed request to the Letting Official. A request to withdraw an electronic bid must be made by a person authorized to bind the Bidder and must be made prior to the time and date set for the opening. For written request for withdrawals of electronic bids and in the case of joint venture, the FBGPTRA will accept a request from any person authorized to bind a party to the joint venture to withdraw a bid.

**Article 8.6.** The FBGPTRA will not be responsible for Internet unavailability. The FBGPTRA will not provide a computer for preparing, submitting, revising or withdrawing an electronic bid.

#### Section 9, Printed Bid.

Article 9.1. Printed Bid Form. Make all entries and execute the bid form in ink. Acknowledge all addenda by checking the appropriate box on the addendum acknowledgement page. Provide the complete and correct name of the Bidder submitting the bid. A person authorized to bind the Bidder must sign the bid form. In the case of a joint venture, provide the complete and correct name of all Bidders submitting the bid. The bid form must be signed by person(s) authorized to bind the Bidder(s).

As an alternative to hand writing the unit prices in the bid form, submit a computer printout signed by the person authorized to bind the Bidder or for a joint venture the persons authorized to bind the Bidders. As a minimum, computer printouts must contain the information in the format shown on the "Example of Bid Prices Submitted by Computer Printout" form in the bid form.

**Article 9.2. Bid Guaranty.** The bid guaranty amount is fixed at the amount indicated on the bid form on the date the bid form is released to the public. Provide a bid guaranty in the amount indicated on the bid form as follows:

- For printed bids, use either a guaranty check or a bid bond.

Article 9.2.1. Guaranty Check. The guaranty check must be payable to Fort Bend Grand Parkway Toll Road Authority and must be a cashier's check, money order, or teller's check drawn by or on a state or national bank, a savings and loan association, or a state or federally chartered credit union (collectively referred to as "bank"). The check must be dated on or before the date of the bid opening. Post dated checks will not be accepted. The type of check or money order must be indicated on the face of the instrument and the instrument must be no more than 90 days old. A check must be made payable at or through the institution issuing the instrument; be drawn by a bank and on a bank; or be payable at or through a bank. The FBGPTRA will not accept personal checks, certified checks, or other types of money orders as a bid guaranty.

Article 9.2.2. Bid Bond. The bid bond shall be on the American Institute of Architects, AIA Document 310, with powers of attorney attached, and in the amount specified on the bid bond form. The bond form must be dated on or before the date of the bid opening, bear the impressed seal of the Surety and be signed by the Bidder or Bidders, in the case of a joint venture, and an authorized individual of the Surety. As an alternative for joint venture Bidders, each of the Bidders may submit a separate bid bond, completed as outlined in this Subarticle. Bid bonds will only be accepted from Sureties authorized to execute a bond under and in accordance with state law.

**Article 9.3. Submittal of Bid.** Place the completed bid form and the bid guaranty in a sealed envelope marked to indicate the contents.

When submitting by mail or delivery service, place the envelope in another sealed envelope and address as indicated in the official advertisement. It is the bidder's responsibility to ensure that the sealed bid arrives at the location described in the official advertisement of the project on or before the time and date set for the opening. The bid must be in the hands of the Letting Official by that time, regardless of the method chosen for delivery, in order to be accepted.

In addition to the requirements above, all pages of a bid form printed from CIVCAST must be submitted.

**Article 9.4. Revising Bid Forms.** Revisions to bids will be handled as follows:

**Article 9.4.1. Before Submission.** Make desired changes to the printed bid form in ink and initial the changes.

**Article 9.4.2. After Submission.** Withdraw the bid in accordance with Article 2.11, "Withdrawing Bids." Make desired changes to the printed bid form in ink and initial the changes. Resubmit to the Letting Official in accordance with Article 2.9, "Delivery of Bid." The FBGPTRA will not make revisions to a bid on behalf of a Bidder.

**Article 9.4.3. After Bid Opening.** Revisions to bids are not allowed after the time and date set for the opening.

Article 9.5. Withdrawing Bids. Submit a signed written request to the Letting Official. The FBGPTRA will not accept telephone or electronic requests, but will accept a properly signed telefacsimile request. The request must be made by a person authorized to bind the Bidder, and must be in the hands of the Letting Official before the time and date set for the opening. In the case of joint venture, the FBGPTRA will accept a request from any person authorized to bind a party to the joint venture to withdrawal a bid.

**Section 10, Opening and Reading of Bids.** At the time, date and location specified in the official advertisement, the Letting Official will publicly:

- Open and read manually submitted bids; and
- Read electronically submitted bids.

#### Section 11, Tabulating Bids.

Article 11.1. Official Total Bid Amount. The FBGPTRA will sum the products of the quantities and the unit prices bid in the bid form to determine the official total bid amount. Except as provided in Section 11.5.3., "Special Item Considerations," the official total bid amount is the basis for determining the apparent low Bidder. The total bid amounts will be compared and the results made public.

Article 11.2. Consideration of Bid Format. When a Bidder submits both an electronic bid and a properly completed manual bid, the unit bid prices in the manual bid will be used to determine the total bid amount. If a bidder submits an electronic bid and an incomplete manual bid, the electronic bid will be used in the tabulation of the total bid amount.

If a bidder submits two or more manual bids, all responsive bids will be tabulated. The bid with the lowest tabulation will be used to determine the total bid amount.

Article 11.3. Rounding of Unit Prices. The FBGPTRA will round off all unit bids involving fractional parts of a cent to the nearest one-tenth cent (\$0.001) in determining the amount of the bid as well as computing the amount due for payment of each Item under the Contract. For rounding purposes, entries of five-hundredths of a cent (\$0.0005) or more will be rounded up to the next highest tenth of a cent, while entries less than five-hundredths of a cent will be rounded down to the next lowest tenth of a cent.

**Article 11.4. Interpretation of Unit Prices.** The FBGPTRA will make a documented determination of the unit bid price for tabulation purposes if a unit bid price is illegible. The FBGPTRA's determination will be final.

Article 11.5. Consideration of Unit Prices. Unit bid price entries such as no dollars and no cents, zero dollars and zero cents, or numerical entries of \$0.00, will be tabulated as one-tenth of a cent (\$0.001).

The FBGPTRA will consider proposals where unit bid prices have been left blank incomplete and nonresponsive. If a proposal has a regular and a corresponding alternate Item or group of Items, the bid will be considered complete if:

- The regular Item or group of regular Items has unit prices entered, or

- The alternate Item or group of alternate Items has unit prices entered.

The bid will be considered incomplete and nonresponsive if:

- A regular Item or group of regular Items is left blank, and
- A corresponding alternate Item or group of alternate Items is left blank.

**Article 11.5.1. Consideration of Alternate Items.** The FBGPTRA will make two calculations using one-tenth of a cent (\$0.001) for each Item if:

- A regular Item or a group of Items have an entry such as no dollars and no cents, zero dollars and zero cents, or numerical entries of \$0.00, and
- A corresponding alternate Item or group of Items, have an entry such as no dollars and no cents, zero dollars and zero cents, or numerical entries of \$0.00.

The FBGPTRA will select the regular Item or Items or the alternate Item or Items at the FBGPTRA's discretion if both the regular and alternate bid results in the same cost to the State.

The FBGPTRA will use the unit price that is greater than zero for bid tabulation if:

- A unit price greater than zero has been entered for either a regular bid or a corresponding alternate Item or group of Items, and
- An entry of no dollars and no cents, zero dollars and zero cents, or a numerical entry of \$0.00 has been entered for the other corresponding Item or group of Items.

If a unit price has been entered for both the regular Item and a corresponding alternate Item, the FBGPTRA will select the option (regular or alternate) that results in the lowest cost to the State. The FBGPTRA will select the regular Item or Items or the alternate Item or Items at the FBGPTRA's discretion if both the regular and alternate bid results in the same cost to the State.

#### Article 11.5.2. Special Item Considerations.

Article 11.5.2.1. Rubber Additives. For proposed Contracts without federal funds, if an alternate Item for "Hot Asphalt-Rubber Surface Treatments" or "Hot Mix Asphalt Concrete Pavement" which contains ground tire rubber is shown in the bid form and the Bidder bids that alternate Item, the amounts bid for "Hot Asphalt-Rubber" and "Aggregate" or "Hot Mix Asphalt Concrete" will be reduced to 85% of the amounts actually bid. This reduction will only be used for the purposes of determining the lowest Bidder. To qualify, the ground tire rubber used must be produced from scrap tire ground in a facility in Texas. Payment for "Hot Asphalt-Rubber" and "Aggregate" or "Hot Mix Asphalt Concrete" will be at the actual unit prices bid.

Article 11.5.2.2. "Buy America." For proposed Contracts where unit bid prices are submitted for both domestic and foreign steel or iron materials, the total bid amount will be calculated using both the domestic and foreign steel unit bid prices. If the total bid amount using the foreign steel or iron materials is the low bid, and the lowest bid using domestic steel or iron materials exceeds the low bid using foreign steel or iron materials by 25% or more, the apparent low Bidder will be the bid using foreign steel or iron materials. If the difference between the low bid

using foreign steel or iron materials and the lowest bid using domestic steel or iron materials is less than 25%, the apparent low Bidder will be the bid using domestic steel or iron materials.

Article 11.5.2.3. Home State Bidding Preference. For the purpose of determining the apparent low Bidder on proposed Contracts without federal funds, the total bid amount will be based upon the reverse application of the non-resident Bidder's home state bidding preference, if any.

**Section 12, Consideration of Bid Errors.** The FBGPTRA will consider a claim of a bid error by the apparent low Bidder if the following requirements have been met:

- Submit written notification to the FBGPTRA within 5 business days after the date the bid is opened.
- Identify the Items of work involved and include bidding documentation. The FBGPTRA may request clarification of submitted documentation.

The FBGPTRA will evaluate the claim of an error by the apparent low Bidder by considering the following:

- The bid error relates to a material Item of work.
- The bid error amount is a significant portion of the total bid.
- The bid error occurred despite the exercise of ordinary care.
- The delay of the proposed work will not impact cost and safety to the public.

Acceptance of the bid error claim by the FBGPTRA will result in the rejection of all bids. The erring Contractor will not be allowed to bid the project when it is relet. Rejection of bids due to the Contractor's bid error may result in the application of sanctions by the FBGPTRA.

**Section 13, Gratuities.** Do not offer FBGPTRA employees benefits, gifts, or favors. The only exceptions allowed are ordinary business lunches. Failure to honor this policy may result in the termination of the Contract and sanctions under the Texas Administrative Code. Termination of the Contract will be in accordance with Article 8.7, "Termination of Contract."

END OF SPECIAL PROVISION

### FORT BEND GRAND PARKWAY TOLL ROAD AUTHORITY SPECIAL PROVISION TO ITEM 3

#### AWARD AND EXECUTION OF CONTRACT

Item 3, "Award and Execution of Contract," of the Texas Department of Transportation Standard Specifications is hereby amended with respect to the clauses cited below. No other clauses or requirements are waived or changed.

Section 1, "Award of the Contract," is voided and replaced in its entirety as follows:

The Authority will award, reject, or defer the Contract within 90 days after the opening of the proposal. The Authority reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and to waive technicalities in the best interest of the County.

**Article 4.2., "Bonds,"** is supplemented by the following:

Performance Bond and Payment Bond forms provided by the Authority must be completed.

### FORT BEND GRAND PARKWAY TOLL ROAD AUTHORITY **SPECIAL PROVISION TO ITEM 4** SCOPE OF WORK

Item 4, "Scope of Work," of the Texas Department of Transportation Standard Specifications is hereby amended with respect to the clauses cited below. No other clauses or requirements are waived or changed.

Section 4, "Changes in the Work," is supplemented by the following:

For purposes of extra work, the following individuals have the authority shown to approve extra work. The Authority has no obligation to pay for extra work unless the Contractor secures written authorization executed by the appropriate person prior to commencement of the work. Extra work may not be split or severed to avoid the requirements of this section.

Mike Stone (Chief Operating Officer):

\$ 50,000 or less

Board of Directors:

greater than \$50,000

#### **Article 4.1., "Change Orders,"** is added as follows:

The unit prices Bid shall govern for additions to, or deductions from the Contract. If materials or labor are required for which no unit price is bid, the price shall be that reached by agreement by the Authority and the Contractor after definite evidence is furnished by the Contractor to the Authority that the price is the current prevailing price in the area. If the Authority and the Contractor cannot agree, the Engineer shall determine the price for changes.

No compensation shall be allowed under a Change Order for any person not actively engaged in the performance of the specified work.

No extra work shall be paid for without an approved Change Order prior to the start of the extra work.

If additional time is required by reason of the Change, the number of days for completion provided for in this Contract shall be adjusted at the time the Change Order is entered into, and if no adjustment is made on the Change Order form, any additional time is to be considered waived by the Contractor.

Any extension of time given shall not release the Contractor or the Surety from their Performance and Payment Bonds or from all obligations hereunder, which shall remain in full force until the discharge of the Contract.

All time limits stated in the Contract Documents are the essence of the agreement. The provisions of this Article shall not exclude recovery of damage (including but not limited to fees and charges of engineers, architects, attorneys and other professionals and court and arbitration costs for delay by Contractor.)

Section 6, "Requests for Additional Compensation and Damages," is revised by removing the first two paragraphs and replacing as follows:

In the event the Contractor requests additional compensation for work not clearly covered in the contract, the contractor shall notify the Authority in writing of his intention to make a claim for additional compensation before beginning such work, within 21 days of the day Contractor knows or should have known of such claim. The Contractor must provide a written estimate of the amount of the claim or assessment of damages within 30 days of timely notice of the claim. If such notice is not given, then the Contractor waives his right to file a claim for such work. Notice of such claim by the Contractor and the documentation of the cost of the claim work by Contractor shall not be construed as proof or substantiation of the validity of such claim. All such claims must be approved in writing by the Board of Directors of the Authority.

No claims for delay damages may be made nor will the Authority ever be obligated to pay delay damages. Contractor's sole remedy for damages caused by delay is an extension of the contract time. This limitation applies to delay caused by the Authority and delay caused by third parties only. Contractor will not be entitled to extension of time for delays resulting in whole or part from the Contractor's actions or omissions.

# FORT BEND GRAND PARKWAY TOLL ROAD AUTHORITY SPECIAL PROVISION TO ITEM 7 LEGAL RELATIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Item 7, "Legal Relations and Responsibilities," of the Texas Department of Transportation Standard Specifications is hereby modified with respect to the clauses cited below. No other clauses or requirements are waived or changed.

Section 3, "Laws to be Observed," is supplemented by the addition of the following:

It is the intent of the Authority that all construction work shall be accomplished with minimum disturbance and inconvenience to the public.

The operation of heavy construction equipment over adjacent streets shall be avoided to the greatest extent practicable. If such operation is unavoidable, care shall be taken to prevent the creation of any nuisance, including, but not limited to, the tracking of dirt or the blowing of dust from uncovered loads.

If sites, buildings, and locations of historical, archaeological, educational, or scientific interests are discovered after construction operations are begun, operation in that particular area shall cease immediately and the sites, buildings, or location shall be investigated or evaluated by the FORT BEND GRAND PARKWAY TOLL ROAD AUTHORITY (FBGPTRA). An extension of time will be granted, if necessary, for delays caused by these investigations and evaluations. It is specifically understood, however, that if the Contractor is delayed by virtue of an investigation and evaluation that this delay will not be considered as basis for claim for damages or additional compensation of any kind by the Contractor and that an extension of time will be sole remedy of Contractor for such delay.

Section 6, "Personal Liability of Public Officials," is revised to read in its entirety as follows:

In carrying out provisions of the Contract Documents or in exercising any power or authority granted there under, there shall be no liability for the Project Engineer, the Section Engineer(s), Construction Phase Engineer, their respective officers, employees, subcontractors, or authorized assistants, either personally or otherwise, as they are agents and representatives of the Authority, and there shall be no liability, either personal or otherwise for any member of the Commissioners' Court, the FBGPTRA, or any of the FBGPTRA's officers, employees, or consultants. Neither the Contract Document nor FBGPTRA's or Contractor's course of conduct shall be deemed to create the relationship of principal and agent by and between the FBGPTRA and the Contractor.

Article 7.7.2, "Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (TPDES) Permits and Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plans (SWP3)," is voided and replaced by the following:

The Contractor will file the Notice of Intent (NOI) and the Notice of Termination (NOT) for work shown on the plans in the right of way. Adhere to all requirements of the SWP3.

Section 15, "Responsibility of Damage Claims," is voided and replaced by the following:

TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW, CONTRACTOR SHALL PROTECT, DEFEND, INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS FORT BEND GRAND PARKWAY TOLL ROAD AUTHORITY, THE PROJECT ENGINEER, THE SECTION ENGINEER(S), THE CONSTRUCTION PHASE ENGINEER, AND THEIR RESPECTIVE OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES (COLLECTIVELY, THE "INDEMNIFIED PARTIES") FROM AND AGAINST EVERY LOSS, ITEM OF DAMAGE, INJURY, EXPENSE, DEMAND, CLAIM, CAUSE OF ACTION, JUDGMENT OR LIABILITY, OF WHATSOEVER KIND OR CHARACTER, WHETHER ARISING IN CONTRACT OR TORT OR UNDER ANY STATUTE, FOR EVERY ELEMENT OF RECOVERY, WHETHER DIRECT OR INDIRECT, INCLUDING SPECIAL AND CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES, AND INCLUDING ALL RELATED FINES, FEES AND COSTS, TO INCLUDE ALL FEES AND CHARGES OF ENGINEERS, ARCHITECTS, ATTORNEYS AND OTHER PROFESSIONALS AND ALL COURT OR ARBITRATION OR OTHER DISPUTE RESOLUTION COSTS, FOR:

- (I) BODILY INJURY OR DEATH OF AN EMPLOYEE OF ANY CONTRACTOR PARTIES, EVEN IF SUCH BODILY INJURY OR DEATH IS CAUSED IN WHOLE OR IN PART BY THE NEGLIGENCE, BREACH OF CONTRACT, BREACH OR VIOLATION OF A STATUTE, ORDINANCE, GOVERNMENTAL REGULATION, STANDARD, OR RULE, OR OTHER FAULT OF AN INDEMNIFIED PARTY; AND
- (II) BODILY INJURY TO OR DEATH OF ANY PERSON NOT ENCOMPASSED IN (I), ABOVE, PROPERTY DAMAGE OR ECONOMIC LOSS (INCLUDING LOSS OF USE) CAUSED BY OR ARISING OUT OF ANY BREACH OF THIS CONTRACT, OR THE BREACH OF ANY COMMON LAW DUTY, OR THE VIOLATION OF ANY STATUTE OR REGULATION BY THE CONTRACTOR PARTIES IN CONNECTION WITH THE PERFORMANCE (OR NON-PERFORMANCE) OF THE WORK, IN EACH INSTANCE, EVEN IF DUE IN PART TO THE NEGLIGENCE, BREACH OF CONTRACT, BREACH OR VIOLATION OF A STATUTE, ORDINANCE, GOVERNMENTAL REGULATION, STANDARD, OR RULE, OR OTHER FAULT OF AN INDEMNIFIED PARTY, PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT CONTRACTOR'S OBLIGATION OF INDEMNIFICATION SHALL NOT EXTEND TO THE PERCENTAGE OF DAMAGES, INJURIES, EXPENSES, DEMANDS, CLAIMS, CAUSES OF ACTION, JUDGMENTS, LIABILITIES, COSTS AND FEES CAUSED BY THE INDEMNIFIED PARTIES.

THIS INDEMNITY AGREEMENT IS INTENDED TO MEET THE TEXAS "EXPRESS NEGLIGENCE RULE" BECAUSE CONTRACTOR AGREES THAT IT APPLIES AND IS ENFORCEABLE EVEN AS TO LOSSES, DAMAGES, INJURIES, EXPENSES, CLAIMS,

CAUSES OF ACTION, JUDGMENTS OR LIABILITIES JOINTLY OR CONCURRENTLY CAUSED BY THE NEGLIGENCE OR OTHER FAULT OF THE INDEMNIFIED PARTIES. THE TERM "FAULT" IN THE PREVIOUS SENTENCE INCLUDES THE VIOLATION OR BREACH BY THE INDEMNIFIED PARTIES OF ANY COMMON LAW DUTY, ANY TERM OF THIS CONTRACT, OR ANY STATUTE OR REGULATION.

NOTWITHSTANDING THE FOREGOING, THE CONTRACTOR ASSUMES NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE TIMELY DELIVERY AND ADEQUACY, ACCURACY AND/OR SUFFICIENCY OF THE PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS, OR DRAWINGS PRODUCED BY FBGPTRA'S ENGINEERS, AND IT SHALL NOT BE LIABLE TO THE FBGPTRA FOR DAMAGES RESULTING FROM ERRORS, INCONSISTENCIES OR OMISSIONS IN SUCH PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS, OR DRAWINGS.

THIS INDEMNIFICATION OBLIGATION SHALL NOT BE LIMITED IN ANY WAY BY ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS CONTRACT OR BY ANY LIMITATIONS ON THE AMOUNT OR TYPE OF DAMAGES, COMPENSATION OR BENEFITS PAYABLE BY OR FOR THE CONTRACTOR PARTIES UNDER WORKERS' COMPENSATION ACTS, DISABILITY BENEFIT ACTS OR OTHER EMPLOYEE BENEFITS ACTS.

THIS INDEMNIFICATION OBLIGATION IS IN ADDITION TO ALL OTHER LEGAL, EQUITABLE, OR INDEMNIFICATION REMEDIES AVAILABLE TO THE INDEMNIFIED PARTIES. THIS INDEMNIFICATION OBLIGATION SURVIVES THE TERMINATION OR EXPIRATION OF THIS CONTRACT.

CONTRACTOR DOES HEREBY WAIVE, RELEASE AND FOREVER RELINQUISH AND DISCHARGE AUTHORITY FROM ALL OF CONTRACTOR'S CAUSES OF ACTION ARISING FROM BODILY INJURY OR DEATH OR DAMAGE TO ANY PROPERTY ARISING OUT OF THE WORK, REGARDLESS OF WHETHER THE INJURY OR DAMAGE IS CAUSED IN FULL OR IN PART BY THE NEGLIGENCE OR OTHER FAULT OF THE INDEMNIFIED PARTIES.

In the event that any statute, rule of law or equitable principle should be held applicable to any indemnity clause contained in this Contract in favor of one or more of the Indemnified Parties which would render void, voidable, or unenforceable any such indemnity clause as to any party by reason of any provisions contained therein, then and in only such event, such indemnity clause shall be deemed modified and read, construed and enforced as to such party with respect to the provisions held to violate the statute, rule of law or equitable principle to require indemnity by Contractor of the Indemnified Parties to the fullest extent required by such indemnity provision modified and limited only to the degree or extent necessary to bring such indemnity into compliance with such statute, rule of law or equitable principle, but otherwise, the indemnity shall remain in full force and effect and binding upon the parties hereto.

Each party hereto agrees and covenants that it will not contest the validity or enforceability of any indemnity or exculpatory provision of this Contract on the basis that the party has no notice or knowledge of such provision or that the provision is not "conspicuous."

If other provisions contain any indemnities or limitations, such indemnities shall be deemed to be cumulative of and to operate independently of the indemnities provided herein to the end that all indemnities provided in the Contract shall be construed to grant indemnity to the Indemnified Parties to the fullest extent of each such indemnity.

Contractor shall include in each of its subcontracts with its subcontractors of every tier provisions the same as in all material respects those contained herein. Such provisions shall be for the benefit of and in favor of the Indemnified Parties and such other parties on whom Contractor and such subcontractors may agree.

# FORT BEND GRAND PARKWAY TOLL ROAD AUTHORITY SPECIAL PROVISION TO ITEM 8 PROSECUTION AND PROGRESS

Item 8, "Prosecution and Progress," of the Texas Department of Transportation Standard Specifications is hereby amended with respect to the clauses cited below. No other clauses or requirements are waived or changed.

**Section 1, "Prosecution of Work,"** is revised by removing the first sentence and replacing as follows:

Prior to beginning construction operations, a preconstruction conference between the Contractor and the Engineer will be conducted. Prior to the preconstruction conference, The Contractor shall submit to the Engineer a preliminary CPM progress schedule which details the first 100 days of the contract in accordance with the requirements of Article 5.2., Progress Schedule. Within 30 calendar days following the preconstruction conference, the contractor shall submit the final version of the Contract Schedule. If the contractor fails to submit the initial schedule within the 30 days, the Engineer may withhold \$1,000 per day until an initial (baseline) schedule that complies with the specifications is submitted. The engineer will review the schedule within 7 days, and determine if the schedule is acceptable. If the schedule is not acceptable, the contractor will have 7 days to make the necessary changes. If the contractor fails to submit the revised and corrected initial schedule within the 30 days, the Engineer may withhold \$1,000 per day until an initial schedule that complies with the specifications is submitted.

**Section 3, "Computation of Contract Time for Completion,"** is revised to read in its entirety as follows:

Time is of the essence of this Contract. All references to days are references to calendar days unless expressly stated otherwise. Calculation of Contract Time will commence on the Notice to Proceed date and run continuously for the duration of the contract.

The Contractor must achieve Substantial Completion within the contract duration specified.

The Contractor must achieve Final Completion no more than the number of days specified by the Engineer from the date of Substantial Completion.

Work shall begin on the date fixed in the Contract requisition. It shall be prosecuted regularly and without interruption until completion. The entire work shall be finished and fully completed to the satisfaction of the Engineer by **FINAL COMPLETION.** 

Article 5.2., "Progress Schedule," is voided and replaced in its entirety as follows:

The Contractor must furnish a Critical Path Method schedule. Each schedule submittal must be accompanied by an electronic backup copy of the schedule. Schedules must be submitted at least monthly and must accompany each pay application. The schedule shall include all planned work activities and sequences. The initial schedule must utilize all of the contract time allowed in the contract. The schedule should incorporate major material procurements including preparation of shop drawings, submittals, fabrication and delivery of long lead items, known utility relocations, and other activities that may affect the completion of the Contract in the progress schedule. Each activity will be assigned a dollar value, the sum of which shall be equal to the adjusted contract value. The schedule activities must generally have durations shorter than one month and the work divided into discrete increments to allow easy identification of the specific task and simplify the updating process.

The Contractor may use Phoenix CPM Scheduling Software or Primavera P6. Schedules prepared and submitted in any other format will not be accepted.

The Engineer may require the Contractor to develop more detailed schedules for certain phases of the project such as major traffic changes, work requiring lane closures, or recovery schedules if the project falls behind schedule etc.

The contractor must provide a person proficient in CPM analysis to create and maintain the project schedule and be available when requested to meet with the Owner's Representative.

The CPM schedule must generally comply with construction industry standards as presented in "CPM in Construction" by James J. O'Brien or the AGC Guide to "Construction Planning and Scheduling". The schedule must have a clearly identifiable Critical Path. The Critical Path is defined as the longest path. It is the Fort Bend Grand Parkway Toll Road Authority's (the Authority) intention to conduct regular schedule update and review meetings with the Contractor to identify potential conflicts and opportunities on the project. The schedules submitted throughout the project will be essential elements in any delay claim.

#### **Article 5.3., "Schedule Format,"** is replaced to read in its entirety as follows:

The project schedule shall include but is not limited to the following:

- Begin the project schedule on the start date of contract time or start of compensable work on the project, whichever occurs first;
- Show the sequence and interdependence of activities required for complete performance of the work;
- Ensure all work sequences are logical and show a coordinated plan of the work;
- Show a predecessor and successor for each activity
- Clearly and accurately identify the critical path as the longest continuous path

- Provide a legend for all abbreviations and include the schedule filename, run date, data date, project start date, and project completion date in the title block of each schedule submittal;
- Through the use of calendars, incorporate seasonal weather conditions into the schedule for work (e.g., earthwork, concrete paving, structures, asphalt, drainage, etc.) that may be influenced by temperature or precipitation. Also, incorporate non work periods such as holidays, weekends, or other non-work days as identified in the Contract;
- No constraints or negative lags will be allowed.
- Show submittal and procurement periods.

### **Article 5.4., "Activity Format,"** is replaced to read in its entirety as follows:

For each activity on the project schedule provide:

- A logical activity number utilizing an alphanumeric designation system tied to the sequence of work and traffic control plans;
- A concise description of the work represented by the activity;
- An activity duration in days;
- The estimated quantity of work;
- Plan and incorporate resources, such as crews and heavy equipment, for each activity. Accurately represent the planned labor and equipment hours necessary to achieve the estimated productivity rates;
- Code the activities so that organized plots of the schedule may be produced;

Article 5.5.1., "Bar Chart," is voided in its entirety.

Article 5.5.1.1., "Progress Schedule Reviews," is voided in its entirety.

Article 5.5.2.1., "Preliminary Schedule," is voided in its entirety.

Article 5.5.2.2., "Baseline Schedule," is voided in its entirety.

Article 5.5.2.2.1., "Review," is voided in its entirety.

**Article 5.5.2.3., "Progress Schedule,"** is revised by removing the last two paragraphs and replacing as follows:

The cut-off day for recording monthly progress will be established by the Project Engineer. Submit the updated schedule no later than the 1<sup>st</sup> work day of the following month.

A monthly update narrative will be included in the monthly schedule update. This narrative should include but is not limited to the following:

- The status of the project completion date, listing reasons why any change may have occurred;
- List all activities that have been added, deleted, or otherwise changed in the schedule with explanations for the modifications and description of the impacts each has on the project schedule;
- Any revisions that may have been performed to the schedule, providing the purpose of the revision and description of the impact to the project critical path and completion dates; and
- The status of the critical path, explaining reasons for any changes in critical path, impacts to the critical path that occurred during the period represented, or identifying any potential impacts that may occur in the next 3 months, including but not limited to material deliveries, utility and right way clearances, or other potential impacts.

No direct compensation will be made for fulfilling these requirements, as this work is considered subsidiary to the Item 500-2001, Mobilization. If the contractor does not submit the monthly schedule update by the 1<sup>st</sup> workday of the following month, the Engineer may withhold \$1,000 per day until an updated schedule that complies with the specifications is submitted.

Any amounts withheld by the Engineer for failure to comply with any part of Section 5, Project Schedules, may be deducted from the Contract Amount by the Engineer at his discretion.

### **Article 5.5.3., "Notice of Potential Time Impact,"** is revised to read in its entirety as follows:

Control of the contract duration, completion date, and contract amount are essential elements of this contract and shall only be adjusted in writing by Change Order. A Change Order amending the contract duration and the contract completion date or the contract amount shall only be considered after the Contractor has made such a request in a timely manner accompanied by proper documentation supporting such a request. The contract duration, completion date, and amount may not be adjusted by any other means.

Reasons for adjustment. The Engineer will consider adjustment of the contract duration, completion date, and contract amount for any changed condition or event which in the sole opinion of the Engineer is beyond the control of the Contractor; could not have been reasonably foreseen; and impacts the longest path on the properly prepared and submitted CPM schedule for the project.

Longest Path. Extensions of time will be granted only to the extent the changed conditions impact the longest path of the properly prepared CPM schedule. No extension of time will be granted for any change that does not impact the longest path, nor will any extension of time be granted for that portion of any delay event that is absorbed by float within the schedule.

Delays affecting activities not on the longest path by definition can not affect the completion date of the project and will not be considered as a reason to adjust the contract duration or the contract completion date but may be considered for cost impacts. In cases of non-critical delays the Contractor must provide timely documentation of the condition giving rise to the non-critical delay and documentation on the how the delay is causing the cost impact. All notice requirements contained in this provision pertain equally to critical as well as non-critical impacts without exception.

Timely notice of any impact is an essential element of this contract. The Contractor must provide the Engineer with notice of any delay which may impact the project completion date or impact cost within 7 calendar days from the commencement of the delay, or 7 calendar days from the date the Contractor should have reasonably been aware of the delay. Initial notice of the delay must be in writing and must generally describe the event or condition causing the delay and must specifically identify the schedule activities by activity ID and description which are being impacted, and generally the types and amounts of cost per day being incurred. The Contractor's initial notice shall also provide a brief explanation of why an alternative construction sequence eliminating or minimizing the delay is not possible or practical. This initial notice may be a letter containing all of the elements described above. The Engineer may request an immediate schedule review meeting with the Contractor upon notice of any delay to review the current CPM schedule and consider all possible alternatives.

FAILURE TO PROVIDE WRITTEN NOTICE WITHIN 7 CALENDAR DAYS OF THE COMMENCEMENT OF ANY DELAY MAY RESULT IN THE DENIAL OF ANY REQUEST FOR AN ADJUSTMENT TO THE CONTRACT DURATION, COMPLETION DATE, OR CONTRACT AMOUNT RESULTING FROM THAT DELAY.

Article 5.5.4., "Time Impact Analysis," is revised to read in its entirety as follows:

The Impact of the Delay will be evaluated using the Time Impact Analysis method. A Time Impact Analysis consists of the following steps:

- Step 1. Establish the status of the project immediately prior to the delay event or impact, or as near as practical prior to the commencement of the delay.
- Step 2. Using the schedule produced in Step 1, add an activity to the schedule for the delay event with an estimated duration, or the actual duration of the delay event in the case of delay which has ended. Logically connect the added activity representing the delay event to the appropriate predecessor and successor activities to determine the impact to the completion date.

Step 3. Track the effects of the impact on the schedule during the occurrence by progressing the schedule monthly including the delay activity included in Step 2.

Step 4. Immediately after the conclusion of the delay event, or as near as practical after the delay event has ended, establish the status of the project and provide details identifying any mitigating actions or circumstances used to keep the project ongoing during the impact period.

Submit Step 1 and 2 with the Notice of Potential Time Impact. Incorporate Step 3 into schedule updates until impact is complete. Submit Step 4 with the Final Documentation, no later than 10 days after the completion of the impact.

Determine the time impact by comparing the status of the work prior to the impact (Step 1) to the prediction of the effect of the impact (Step 2), and to the actual effects of the impact once it is complete (step 4). All four steps of the Time Impact Analysis shall be completed before consideration of a Contract time extension or adjustment of milestone date will be provided.

Final Documentation. After the delay event or condition has ended the Contractor has 10 days to prepare and submit the final documentation of the impact of the delay including all cost impacts. An additional 30 days to prepare the final statement of impacts may be granted by the Engineer if requested by the Contractor in writing prior to the conclusion of the initial 10 day period. This documentation shall include a concise Time Impact Analysis Statement prepared using the submitted CPM schedules and a statement of all additional costs incurred as a result of the delay event or condition with backup documentation to support the claimed cost.

## FAILURE TO PROVIDE WRITTEN DOCUMENTATION OF THE TIME AND COST IMPACT OF ANY DELAY WITHIN 10 DAYS OF THE CONCLUSION OF ANY DELAY MAY RESULT IN THE SUBSEQUENT DENIAL OF ANY REQUEST FOR AN ADJUSTMENT TO THE CONTRACT COMPLETION DATE OR COST IMPACTS.

Section 6, "Failure to Complete Work on Time," is revised to read in its entirety as follows:

Failing to achieve Final Completion within the days specified by the Engineer the Contractor will be assessed liquidated damages of \$832.00 per day which will be withheld from any amount owed the Contractor. If the amount owed the Contractor is insufficient to withhold the amount, the Contractor shall pay the difference to the Authority.

The Engineer may waive the collection of liquidated damages if the Work in its entirety, or any portion of the Work for which a date of completion is stipulated, has been substantially completed within the prescribed time of completion therefore.

If the Contractor fails to complete the Work within the time fixed by the Contract, or extensions thereof, and if the Engineer shall, nevertheless, permit the Contractor to continue and complete same, such permission shall neither modify nor waive any liability of the Contractor for damages arising from non-completion of the Work within the said time, but all such liabilities shall continue in full force against the Contractor

### FORT BEND GRAND PARKWAY TOLL ROAD AUTHORITY SPECIAL PROVISION TO ITEM 9 MEASUREMENT AND PAYMENT

Item 9, "Measurement and Payment," of the Texas Department of Transportation Standard Specifications is hereby amended with respect to the clauses cited below. No other clauses or requirements are waived or changed.

**Section 8, "Retainage,"** is voided and replaced in its entirety as follows:

The Authority will withhold 5.0 percent retainage from the total amount approved for payment until the completion and final acceptance. The Contractor may withhold retainage on subcontractors in accordance with state and federal regulations.

The retainage will be released after all submittals are received and final quantities have been determined.

**Article 9.7.1.1., "Labor,"** is voided and replaced in its entirety as follows:

The Contractor will receive an additional 15% as compensation based on the total wages paid said laborers and foremen. For cost of premiums on public-liability and workers compensation insurance, social security and unemployment insurance taxes, an amount equal to 55 percent of the sum of the labor cost, excluding the 15 percent compensation provided above, will be paid to the Contractor.

**Article 9.7.1.3., "Materials,"** is voided and replaced in its entirety as follows:

The Contractor will receive the actual cost, including freight charges, of the materials used on such work to which cost will be added a sum equal to 15 percent thereof as compensation.

**Section 10, "Final Payment,"** is supplemented by the following:

The Contractor shall after completion of his contract submit his final estimate for quantities installed during the construction period and the value thereof at the Contract unit prices.

The Engineer shall approve and submit the final estimate to the Commissioners' Court and the County shall at such time or within thirty (30) days from and after the date of said estimate as the County may elect, pay the entire sum so found to be due after audit and approval by the County

Auditor, after deducting therefrom all previous payments and all amounts to be kept and all amounts to be retained under the provisions of the Contract. All prior partial estimates and payments shall be subject to correction in the final estimate and payment. It is mutually agreed between the parties to the Contract that no estimate or payment made under the Contract, except the final payment, shall exclude any claim of the County or shall constitute conclusive evidence of acceptable performance of the Contract either wholly or in part by the County; and no payments shall be construed to be an acceptance of any defective work or improper materials, or a release from any claims for damages. The Contractor hereby further agrees that the payment of the final amount due under the Contract and adjustment and payment of the bill rendered for any work done in accordance with any alterations to the Contract on a Change In Contract form shall release the County and the Engineer from any and all claims or liability on account of work performed under the Contract or alterations thereof. The Contractor agrees to examine the final estimate and, if he finds it correct, to execute thereon his release in full of all claims due by Fort Bend County, and to certify under oath to the payment by him of all claims against him for labor, materials, and supplies furnished by the Contractor by all persons and firms in the performance of the Contract.

### Section 11, "Electronic Wire Transfers," is added as follows:

If the Contractor requests in writing to the Engineer, the Authority will make payments via electronic wire transfer.

## **Special Provision to Item 3 Award and Execution of Contract**



Item 3, "Award and Execution of Contract" of the Standard Specifications is amended with respect to the clauses cited below. No other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed.

### Section 4.3 "Insurance" is being amended by the following:

Table 2
Insurance Requirements

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Type of Insurance	Amount of Coverage	
Commercial General Liability Insurance	Not Less Than:	
•	\$600,000 each occurrence	
Business Automobile Policy	Not Less Than:	
•	\$600,000 combined single limit	
Workers' Compensation	Not Less Than:	
•	Statutory	
All Risk Builder's Risk Insurance	100% of Contract Price	
(For building-facilities contracts only)		

### Special Provision to Item 5 Control of the Work



Item 5, "Control of the Work," of the Standard Specifications is amended with respect to the clauses cited below. No other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed.

Article 5.1, "Authority of Engineer," is voided and replaced by the following.

The Engineer has the authority to observe, test, inspect, approve, and accept the work. The Engineer decides all questions about the quality and acceptability of materials, work performed, work progress, Contract interpretations, and acceptable Contract fulfillment. The Engineer has the authority to enforce and make effective these decisions.

The Engineer acts as a referee in all questions arising under the terms of the Contract. The Engineer's decisions will be final and binding.

The Engineer will pursue and document actions against the Contractor as warranted to address Contract performance issues. Contract remedies include, but are not limited to, the following:

- conducting interim performance evaluations requiring a Project Recovery Plan, in accordance with Title 43,
   Texas Administrative Code (TAC) §9.23,
- requiring the Contractor to remove and replace defective work, or reducing payment for defective work,
- removing an individual from the project,
- suspending the work without suspending working day charges,
- assessing standard liquidated damages to recover the Department's administrative costs, including additional projectspecific liquidated damages when specified in the Contract in accordance with 43 TAC §9.22,
- withholding estimates,
- declaring the Contractor to be in default of the Contract, and
- in case of a Contractor's failure to meet a Project Recovery Plan, referring the issue directly to the Performance Review Committee for consideration of further action against the Contractor in accordance with 43 TAC §9.24.

The Engineer will consider and document any events outside the Contractor's control that contributed to the failure to meet performance standards, including consideration of sufficient time.

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Follow the issue escalation ladder if there is disagreement regarding the application of Contract remedies.

### Special Provision to Item 5 Control of the Work



Item 5, "Control of the Work" of the Standard Specifications is amended with respect to the clauses cited below. No other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed.

Article 5.4, "Coordination of Plans, Specifications, and Special Provisions," the last sentence of the last paragraph is replaced by the following:

Failure to promptly notify the Engineer will constitute a waiver of all contract claims against the Department for misunderstandings or ambiguities that result from the errors, omissions, or discrepancies.

### **Special Provision to Item 007 Legal Relations and Responsibilities**



Item 7, "Legal Relations and Responsibilities," of the Standard Specifications is amended with respect to the clauses cited below.

Section 2.6., "Barricades, Signs, and Traffic Handling," the first paragraph is voided and replaced by the following:

2.6. Barricades, Signs, and Traffic Handling. Comply with the requirements of Item 502 "Barricades, Signs, and Traffic Handling," and as directed. Provide traffic control devices that conform to the details shown on the plans, the TMUTCD, and the Department's Compliant Work Zone Traffic Control Device List maintained by the Traffic Safety Division. When authorized or directed, provide additional signs or traffic control devices not required by the plans.

Section 2.6.1., "Contractor Responsible Person and Alternative," is voided and replaced by the following:

2.6.1. Contractor Responsible Person and Alternative. Designate in writing, a Contractor's Responsible Person (CRP) and an alternate to be the representative of the Contractor who is responsible for taking or directing corrective measures regarding the traffic control. The CRP or alternate must be accessible by phone 24 hr. per day and able to respond when notified. The CRP and alternate must comply with the requirements of Section 2.6.5., "Training."

Section 2.6.2, "Flaggers," the first paragraph is voided and replaced by the following:

2.6.2. Flaggers. Designate in writing, a flagger instructor who will serve as a flagging supervisor and is responsible for training and assuring that all flaggers are qualified to perform flagging duties. Certify to the Engineer that all flaggers will be trained and make available upon request a list of flaggers trained to perform flagging duties.

Section 2.6.5, "Training," is voided and replaced by the following:

2.6.5. Training. Train workers involved with the traffic control using Department-approved training as shown on the "Traffic Control Training" Material Producer List.

> Coordinate enrollment, pay associated fees, and successfully complete Department-approved training or Contractor-developed training. Training is valid for the period prescribed by the provider. Except for law enforcement personnel training, refresher training is required every 4 yr. from the date of completion unless otherwise specified by the course provider. The Engineer may require training at a frequency instead of the period prescribed based on the Department's needs. Training and associated fees will not be measured or paid for directly but are considered subsidiary to pertinent Items.

Certify to the Engineer that workers involved in traffic control and other work zone personnel have been trained and make available upon request a copy of the certification of completion to the Engineer. Ensure the following is included in the certification of completion:

- name of provider and course title,
- name of participant,
- date of completion, and
- date of expiration.

Where Contractor-developed training or a Department-approved training course does not produce a certification, maintain a log of attendees. Make the log available upon request. Ensure the log is legible and includes the following:

- printed name and signature of participant,
- name and title of trainer, and
- date of training.
- 2.6.5.1. Contractor-developed Training. Develop and deliver Contractor-developed training meeting the minimum requirements established by the Department. The outline for this training must be submitted to the Engineer for approval at the preconstruction meeting. The CRP or designated alternate may deliver the training instead of the Department-approved training. The work performed and materials furnished to develop and deliver the training will not be measured or paid for directly but will be considered subsidiary to pertinent Items.
- 2.6.5.1.1. **Flagger Training Minimum Requirements.** A Contractor's certified flagging instructor is permitted to train other flaggers.
- 2.6.5.1.2. **Optional Contractor-developed Training for Other Work Zone Personnel.** For other work zone personnel, the Contractor may provide training meeting the curriculum shown below instead of Department-approved training.

Minimum curriculum for Contractor-provided training is as follows:

Contractor-developed training must provide information on the use of personnel protection equipment, occupational hazards and health risks, and other pertinent topics related to traffic management. The type and amount of training will depend on the job duties and responsibilities. Develop training applicable to the work being performed. Develop training to include the following topics.

- The Life You Save May Be Your Own (or other similar company safety motto).
- Purpose of the training.
  - It's the Law.
  - To make work zones safer for workers and motorist.
  - To understand what is needed for traffic control.
  - To save lives including your own.
- Personal and Co-Worker Safety.
  - High Visibility Safety Apparel. Discuss compliant requirements; inspect regularly for fading and
    reduced reflective properties; if night operations are required, discuss the additional and
    appropriate required apparel in addition to special night work risks; if moving operations are
    underway, discuss appropriate safety measures specific to the situation and traffic control plan.
  - Blind Areas. A blind area is the area around a vehicle or piece of construction equipment not
    visible to the operators, either by line of sight or indirectly by mirrors. Discuss the "Circle of Safety"
    around equipment and vehicles; use of spotters; maintain eye contact with equipment operators;
    and use of hand signals.
  - Runovers and Backovers. Remain alert at all times; keep a safe distance from traffic; avoid turning your back to traffic and if you must then use a spotter; and stay behind protective barriers, whenever possible. Note: It is not safe to sit on or lean against a concrete barrier, these barriers can deflect four plus feet when struck by a vehicle.
  - Look out for each other, warn co-workers.
  - Be courteous to motorists.
  - Do not run across active roadways.
  - Workers must obey traffic laws and drive courteously while operating vehicles in the work zones.
  - Workers must be made aware of company distracted driving policies.
- Night Time Operations. Focus should be placed on projects with a nighttime element.

- Traffic Control Training. Basics of Traffic Control.
  - Identify work zone traffic control supervisor and other appropriate persons to report issues to when they arise.
  - Emphasize that work zone traffic control devices must be in clean and in undamaged condition. If devices have been hit but not damaged, put back in their correct place and report to traffic control supervisor. If devices have been damaged, replace with new one and report to traffic control supervisor. If devices are dirty, faded or have missing or damaged reflective tape clean or replace and report to traffic control supervisor. Show examples of non-acceptable device conditions. Discuss various types of traffic control devices to be used and where spacing requirements can be found.
  - Channelizing Devices and Barricades with Slanted Stripes. Stripes are to slant in the direction you want traffic to stay or move to; demonstrate this with a device.
  - Traffic Queuing. Workers must be made aware of traffic queuing and the dangers created by it.
     Workers must be instructed to immediately notify the traffic control supervisor and other supervisory personnel if traffic is queuing beyond advance warning sign and devices or construction limits.
  - Signs. Signs must be straight and not leaning. Report problems to the traffic control supervisor or other as designated for immediate repair. Covered signs must be fully covered. If covers are damaged or out of place, report to traffic control supervisor or other as designated.

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## **Special Provision to Item 8 Prosecution and Progress**



Item 8, "Prosecution and Progress" of the Standard Specification is amended with respect to the clauses cited below. No other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed.

Article 8.2., "Subcontracting," is supplemented by the following paragraph, which is added as paragraph six to this article:

The Contractor certifies by signing the Contract that the Contractor will not enter into any subcontract with a subcontractor that is not registered in the Department of Homeland Security's (DHS) E-Verify system. Require that all subcontractors working on the project register and require that all subcontractors remain active in the DHS E-Verify system until their work is complete on the project.

## **Special Provision to Item 8 Prosecution and Progress**



Item 8, "Prosecution and Progress" of the Standard Specifications is amended with respect to the clause cited below. No other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed.

Article 8.7.2., "Wrongful Default," is revised and replaced by the following:

If it is determined after the Contractor is declared in default, that the Contractor was not in default, the rights and obligations of all parties will be the same as if termination had been issued for the convenience of the public as provided in Article 8.8 "Termination of Contract."

## **Special Provision to Item 8 Prosecution and Progress**



Item 8, "Prosecution and Progress," of the Standard Specifications, is amended with respect to the clauses cited below. No other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed.

Article 8.6., "Failure to Complete Work on Time," is supplemented by the following:

#### 8.6.1. Lane Closure Assessment Fees.

Monetary assessment, as shown on the plans, will be made against the Contractor for any lane closure or obstruction that overlaps into the peak hour traffic for each time increment defined on the plans or portion thereof, per lane, regardless of the length of lane closure or obstruction.

- **8.6.1.1. Definition of Terms.** For this Contract, the following definitions apply:
- **8.6.1.1.1. Time increment.** Any continuous defined increment of time period or portion thereof for a period beginning at that point when lanes are closed or obstructed by the Contractor's operations.
- **8.6.1.1.2. Assessment Fee.** The amount shown on the proposal for each defined time increment, representing the average cost of interference and inconvenience to the road user for each lane closed or obstructed during peak hour traffic. The Engineer may allow a proportional fee assessment for closures that do not involve an entire defined time increment.
- **8.6.1.1.3. Closure or Obstruction.** When the Contractor's operations result in a reduced lane width of the travel way or shoulder less than that specified on the plan documents.
- **8.6.1.1.4. Peak Hour Traffic Times.** Schedule of days and times described in the General Notes, when lane closures or obstructions are not allowed.
- **8.6.1.2. Fee Calculation and Collection.** The assessment fee will be deducted from the amount due to the Contractor on the monthly construction estimate, and thus retained by the Department. The Engineer will determine the time of overlap of lane closures or obstructions for calculating the assessment fee. The assessment fee is based on road user costs and is assessed not as a penalty, but for added expense incurred by the traveling public.

### **Special Provision to Item 350** Microsurfacing



Item 350, "Microsurfacing," of the Standard Specifications is amended with respect to the clauses cited below. No other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed.

Article 350.3., "Equipment," Section 3.1., "Mixing Machine," is voided and replaced by the following.

- 3.1. **Mixing Machine.** Furnish a self-propelled microsurfacing mixing machine with:
  - self-loading devices to promote continuous laying operations;
  - enough storage capacity for mixture materials;
  - individual volume or weight controls that will proportion each material to be added to the mix;
  - continuous flow mixing with a revolving multi-blade mixer capable of discharging the mixture on a continuous flow basis;
  - opposite side driving stations;
  - full hydrostatic control of the forward and reverse speed during operation;
  - a water pressure system and nozzle-type spray bar immediately ahead of the spreader box and capable of spraying the roadway for the width of the spreader box:
  - a mechanical-type spreader box equipped with paddles or other devices capable of agitating and spreading the materials throughout the box;
  - a spreader box with devices capable of providing lateral movement or side shift abilities;
  - a spreader box with a front seal, adjustable rear strike-off, and adjustable secondary rear strike-off; and
  - an electronic monitoring system:
    - consisting of pulse sensors to measure delivery rates, radar gun to monitor distance traveled, programmable micro-controller with operator's display/input board, and on-board printer;
    - capable of recording, monitoring, and displaying the amount of aggregate, emulsion, mineral filler, water, and additives, in pounds;
    - capable of displaying and recording ratios of emulsion to aggregate, mineral filler to aggregate, additive to aggregate, water to aggregate, and application rate in pounds per square yard;
    - capable of recording the percentages of emulsion, mineral filler, water, and additive:
    - capable of printing a hard copy report on demand that displays the date and the cumulative weight of aggregate, emulsion, and mineral filler in pounds and the number of gallons of additive and water; the percentages of emulsion, mineral filler, water, and additive; and the ratios of emulsion to aggregate, mineral filler to aggregate, additive to aggregate, water to aggregate, and application rate in pounds per square yard since the last reset; and
    - accurate to within 0.5% of actual weights and measures.

Calibrate and properly mark each control device that proportions the individual materials.

**Article 350.4., "Construction,"** is supplemented by the following.

Maintain on the project at least one responsible employee certified under the AASHTO Microsurfacing Certification Program for personnel.

Article 350.4., "Construction," Section 4.1., "Mixture Design." The first paragraph is voided and replaced by the following.

Provide a mixture design meeting the proportions shown in Table 3 and the requirements shown in Table 4. Perform the mixture design using an AASHTO-accredited laboratory experienced in the design of microsurfacing systems. Provide the Engineer with

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representative samples of all component materials for verification of the mixture design, unless otherwise directed. Identify additives used to control mixture set times and cohesion, as determined by design testing, and provide acceptable limits. The Construction Division will verify the mixture design to ensure it meets the minimum requirements for wet track abrasion wear value listed in Table 4. Provide the Engineer with approximately 40 lb. of each aggregate stockpile, at least 1 gal. of asphalt emulsion, at least 1 gal. of mineral filler, and sufficient quantities of any additives proposed for use.

Article 350.4., "Construction," Section 4.1., "Mixture Design," is supplemented by the following.

Changes in aggregate source, emulsion source, or mineral filler will require a new mixture design submitted for the Engineer's approval. The Engineer may require a new test strip if there is a change in aggregate source, emulsion source, or mineral filler.

Article 350.4., "Construction," Section 4.8., "Placing." The first sentence of the paragraph is voided and replaced by the following.

Make necessary adjustments so that the mixture will have sufficient working life to allow for proper placement, with considerations for aggregate moisture and at the predicted ambient temperature and humidity.

Article 350.4., "Construction," Section 4.10., "Production Testing," is voided and replaced by the following.

4.10. Production Testing. Control the production process within the operational tolerances listed in Tables 5A and 5B. Provide access to the mixing unit discharge stream for sampling purposes. Suspend production when the Engineer's test results exceed the operational tolerances. The Engineer will allow production to resume when test results or other information indicate the next mixture produced will be within the operational tolerances listed in Tables 5A and 5B. Take corrective action to address deficiencies.

Table 5A **Operational Tolerances** 

Property	Test Method	Requirements
Asphalt content, % by wt.	Tex-236-F <sup>1</sup> or asphalt meter readings	Design target ±0.5

Dried to constant weight at 230 ± 10°F

Table 5B Washed Gradation % Passing Operational Tolerances<sup>1</sup>

Sieve Size <sup>2</sup>	Requirement <sup>3</sup>
3/8"	±5
#4	±5
#8	±5
#16	±3
#30	±3
#50	±3
#100	±3
#200	±3

- 1. Tex-200-F, Part II, sampled from stockpile or belt
- Material passing #200 sieve including the mineral filler must conform to the limitations of the master gradation shown in Table 1
- Gradations must meet both the Master Gradation Band, listed in Table 1, and the operational tolerance from mixture design

The asphalt content may be reduced below the tolerance when lean mixes are necessary for scratch and rut passes, but not less than the design minimum shown for the wet track abrasion test when approved.

Article 350.4., "Construction," Section 4.15., "Test Section," is added.

4.15. Test Section. At the beginning of the first day of production, place a test strip with a minimum length of 500 ft. meeting the mixture design tolerances to demonstrate the mixing and placement procedures. Place

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the test strip at the same general time of day (night or day) the paving is to take place. Inspect the test strip for variations in surface texture, material ratios, finished surface appearance, and ability to carry normal traffic within 60 min. The Engineer will approve or reject the test strip within 2 hr. of placement. If rejected, the Engineer may require another test strip after the Contractor corrects any deficiency. Paving may proceed after the Engineer approves the test strip.

#### Article 350.4., "Construction," Section 4.16., "Quality Control," is added.

4.16. Quality Control. Produce a mixture according to the mixture design and the quality control tolerances. Randomly calculate and report to the Engineer the percent asphalt content of the mixture and the yield of the aggregate from the equipment computer display readings at least 3 times daily.

Maintain quality and provide to the Engineer a report and log sheet containing the following information:

- aggregate used, ton (dry);
- microsurfacing emulsion used, ton;
- bituminous materials for tack coat used, if specified, ton;
- mineral filler used, lb.;
- water used in mixture, gal.;
- additive used in mixture, gal.;
- surface area completed, sq. yd.;
- surface area application rate, dry lb. aggregate per sq. yd.; and
- percentage of emulsified asphalt based on dry aggregate

Test the aggregate for moisture content each day before placement or when aggregate moisture changes due to rainfall events or new material delivery or as directed. Enter the percent moisture determined in the electronic monitoring system.

## **Special Provision to Item 354 Planing and Texturizing Pavement**



Item 354 "Planing and Texturizing Pavement" of the Standard Specifications is amended with respect to the clauses cited below. No other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed.

**Article 354.2. "Equipment"**, is supplemented by the following:

- 2.4. **Micro-milling Equipment.** Use planing machine that is power-driven, self-propelled micro-milling equipment possessing the size and shape to allow traffic safe passage through areas adjacent to the work. Also, ensure the micro milling equipment will be:
  - Equipped with a cutting mandrel with carbide or equivalent tipped cutting teeth designed for micromilling bituminous pavement full lane width to close tolerances,
  - Capable of removing pavement to an accuracy of 1/16 in. with a maximum tool spacing of 5/8 in.,
  - Equipped with grade and slope controls operating from a string line or ski and based on mechanical or sonic operation,
  - Furnished with a lighting system for night work, as necessary,
  - Provided with conveyors capable of side, rear, or front loading to transfer the milled material from the roadway to a truck, and
  - Equipped with a 12 ft. drum with 60 cutting teeth per ft.

#### Article 354.3. "Construction", is supplemented by the following:

3.5. Micro-milling. Micro-mill the designated areas and depths specified in the plans, including bridge decks, shoulders, and ramps, as required.

Mill the pavement producing a final pavement surface with transverse pattern of 0.2 in. center to center of each strike area with difference no greater than 1/16 in. between the ridge and valley (RVD) measurement of the final milled surface. Construct a uniform finish free from gouges and ridges that does not vary more than 1/8 in.in width of the cut.

Prior to commencement of the work, construct a test section that is 1,000 ft. in length with a uniformly textured surface and cross section as approved by the Engineer to demonstrate compliance with the transverse pattern, cross slope, and RVD measurement requirements. Stop milling operation and submit a written plan of action detailing proposed steps to improve operations if any of these requirements are exceeded in the test section. If approved by the Engineer, construct another 1,000 ft. test section in a different area than the initial section using the approved corrective action.

The second test section is subject to the same requirements as those required in the initial test section. Continual micro-milling is prohibited until an acceptable test section is obtained.

Ensure micro-milling methods produce a uniform finished surface and maintain a constant cross slope between pavement edges in each lane. Provide positive drainage to prevent water accumulation on the micro-milled pavement, as shown on the Plans or as directed. The cross slope must be uniform with no depressions or slope misalignments greater than 1/4 per 12 ft. exit when the slope is tested with a straightedge placed perpendicular to the center line.

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Bevel back the longitudinal vertical edges greater than 2 in. produced by the removal process and left exposed to traffic. Bevel the vertical edges back at least 3 in. for each 2 in. of material removed. Use an attached mold board or other approved method.

Taper the transverse edges 10 ft. (3 m) to avoid creating a traffic hazard and to produce a smooth surface when removing material at ramp areas and ends of milled sections.

Protect with a temporary asphaltic concrete tie-in (paper joint) vertical edges at other areas such as bridge approach slabs, drainage structures, and utility appurtenances greater than 1/2 in. areas left open to transversing vehicles. Place the temporary tie-in at taper rate of at least 6 to 1 horizontal to vertical distance. Damage due to micro-milling will be repaired at the Contractor's expense and to the satisfaction of the Engineer.

Remove dust, residue, and loose milled material from the micro-milled surface. Do not allow traffic on the milled surface and do not place asphaltic concrete on the milled surface until removal is complete.

Measure the milled surface with a 10-ft. straightedge at locations determined by the Engineer for quality acceptance and acceptance of test section of milling operation. Remove and replace any areas exceeding 1/8 in. RVD, as directed at no cost to the Department.

#### Article 354.4. "Measurement", is supplemented by the following:

This Item will be measured by the square yard of surface area for each pavement type micro-milled of the depths specified. Measurement will be based on the depth shown for each bid item, within the limits shown on the plans, regardless of the number of passes required. Only one bid item for each section micro-milled will apply to any one location.

#### Article 354.5. "Payment", is supplemented by the following:

The work performed and materials furnished in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under "Measurement" will also be paid for at the unit price bid for "Planing and Texturing (Micro-Milling)" of the depths specified.

### Special Provision to Item 502 Barricades, Signs and Traffic Handling



Item 502, "Barricades, Signs and Traffic Handling" of the Standard Specifications, is hereby amended with respect to the clauses cited below, and no other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed hereby.

### Article 502.1., "Description," is supplemented by the following:

Temporary work-zone (TWZ) traffic control devices manufactured after December 31, 2019, must have been successfully tested to the crashworthiness requirements of the 2016 edition of the Manual for Assessing Safety Hardware (MASH). Such devices manufactured on or before this date and successfully tested to NCHRP Report 350 or the 2009 edition of MASH may continue to be used throughout their normal service lives. An exception to the manufacture date applies when, based on the project's date of letting, a category of MASH-2016 compliant TWZ traffic control devices are not approved, or are not self-certified after the December 31, 2019, date. In such case, devices that meet NCHRP-350 or MASH-2009 may be used regardless of the manufacture date.

Such TWZ traffic control devices include: portable sign supports, barricades, portable traffic barriers designated exclusively for use in temporary work zones, crash cushions designated exclusively for use in temporary work zones, longitudinal channelizers, truck and trailer mounted attenuators. Category I Devices (i.e., lightweight devices) such as cones, tubular markers and drums without lights or signs attached however, may be self-certified by the vendor or provider, with documentation provided to Department or as are shown on Department's Compliant Work Zone Traffic Control Device List.

#### Article 502.4., "Payment," is supplemented by the following:

Truck mounted attenuators and trailer attenuators will be paid for under Special Specification, "Truck Mounted Attenuator (TMA) and Trailer Attenuator (TA)." Portable Changeable Message Signs will be paid for under Special Specification, "Portable Changeable Message Sign." Portable Traffic Signals will be paid for under Special Specification, "Portable Traffic Signals."

### **Special Provision to Item 520 Weighing and Measuring Equipment**



Item 520, "Weighing and Measuring Equipment" of the Standard Specifications is amended with respect to the clauses cited below. No other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed.

Article 520.2., "Equipment." The third paragraph is voided and replaced by the following.

Calibrate truck scales using weights certified by the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) or an equivalent agency as approved. Provide a written calibration report from a scale mechanic for truck scale calibrations. Cease plant operations during the checking operation. Do not use inaccurate or inadequate scales. Bring performance errors as close to zero as practicable when adjusting equipment.

Article 520.2., "Equipment." The fourth paragraph is amended to include the following:

At the Contractors option, an electronic ticket delivery system (e-ticketing) may be used instead of printed tickets. The use of eticketing will require written approval of the Engineer. At a minimum, the approved system will:

- Provide electronic, real-time e-tickets meeting the requirements of the applicable bid items;
- Automatically generate e-tickets using software and hardware fully integrated with the automated scale system used to weigh the material, and be designed in such a way that data input cannot be altered by the Contractor or the Engineer;
- Provide the Engineer access to the e-ticketing data in real-time with a web-based or app-based system compatible with iOS;
- Provide offline capabilities to prevent data loss if power or connectivity is lost;
- Require both the Contractor and the Engineer to accept or reject the e-ticket and provide the ability to record the information required by the applicable bid items, as well as any comments. Record the time of the approval/rejection and include it in the summary spreadsheet described below. Provide each party the capability to edit their respective actions and any entered information;

The Contractor may discontinue use of the e-ticket system and provide printed tickets as needed to meet the requirements of the applicable bid items.

## **Special Provision to Item 666 Retroreflectorized Pavement Markings**



Item 666, "Retroreflectorized Pavement Markings," of the Standard Specifications is amended with respect to the clauses cited below. No other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed.

Section 2.3., "Glass Traffic Beads." The first paragraph is voided and replaced by the following:

Furnish drop-on glass beads in accordance with DMS-8290, "Glass Traffic Beads," or as approved. Furnish a double-drop of Type II and Type III drop-on glass beads for longitudinal pavement markings where each type bead is applied separately in equal portions (by weight), unless otherwise approved. Apply the Type III beads before applying the Type II beads. Furnish Type II beads for work zone pavement markings and transverse markings or symbols.

Section 4.3.1., "Type I Markings.," is supplemented by the following:

4.3.1.3. Spot Striping. Perform spot striping on a callout basis with a minimum callout quantity as shown on the plans.

Section 4.3.2., "Type II Markings.," is supplemented by the following:

4.3.2.1. Spot Striping. Perform spot striping on a callout basis with a minimum callout quantity as shown on the plans.

Section 4.4., "Retroreflectivity Requirements.," is voided and replaced by the following.

Type I markings for Contracts totaling more than 20,000 ft. of pavement markings must meet the following minimum retroreflectivity values for all longitudinal edgeline, centerline or no passing barrier-line, and lane line markings when measured any time after 3 days, but not later than 10 days after application.

- White markings: 250 millicandelas per square meter per lux (mcd/m²/lx)
- Yellow markings: 175 mcd/m²/lx

Retroreflectivity requirements for Type I markings are not required for Contracts with less than 20,000 ft. of pavement markings or Contracts with callout work, unless otherwise shown on the plans.

Section 4.5., "Retroreflectivity Measurements.," is voided and replaced by the following:

Use a mobile retroreflectometer to measure retroreflectivity for Contracts totaling more than 50,000 ft. of pavement markings, unless otherwise shown on the plans. For Contracts with less than 50,000 ft. of pavement markings, mobile or portable retroreflectometers may be used at the Contractor's discretion. Coordinate with and obtain authorization from the Engineer before starting any retroreflectivity data collection.

Section 4.5.1., "Mobile Retroreflectometer Measurements." The last paragraph is voided and replaced by the following.

Restripe again at the Contractor's expense with a minimum of 0.060 in. (60 mils) of Type I marking material if the average of these measurements falls below the minimum retroreflectivity requirements. Take measurements every 0.1 miles a minimum of 10 days after this third application within that mile segment for that series of markings. If the markings do not meet minimum retroreflectivity after this third application, the Engineer may require removal of all existing markings, a new application as initially specified, and a repeat of the application process until minimum retroreflectivity requirements are met.

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Section 4.5.2., "Portable Retroreflectometer Measurements." The first and second paragraphs are voided and replaced by the following.

Provide portable measurement averages for every 1.0 mile unless otherwise specified or approved. Take a minimum of 20 measurements for each 1-mi. section of roadway for each series of markings (e.g., edgeline, center skip line, each line of a double line) and direction of traffic flow when using a portable reflectometer. Measure each line in both directions for centerlines on two-way roadways (i.e., measure both double solid lines in both directions and measure all center skip lines in both directions). The spacing between each measurement must be at least 100 ft. The Engineer may decrease the mileage frequency for measurements if the previous measurements provide satisfactory results. The Engineer may require the original number of measurements if concerns arise.

Restripe at the Contractor's expense with a minimum of 0.060 in. (60 mils) of Type I marking material if the averages of these measurements fail. Take a minimum of 10 more measurements after 10 days of this second application within that mile segment for that series of markings. Restripe again at the Contractor's expense with a minimum of 0.060 in. (60 mils) of Type I marking material if the average of these measurements falls below the minimum retroreflectivity requirements. If the markings do not meet minimum retroreflectivity after this third application, the Engineer may require removal of all existing markings, a new application as initially specified, and a repeat of the application process until minimum retroreflectivity requirements are met.

#### Section 4.6. "Performance Period." The first sentence is voided and replaced by the following:

All longitudinal markings must meet the minimum retroreflectivity requirements within the time frame specified. All markings must meet all other performance requirements of this specification for at least 30 calendar days after installation.

Article 6. "Payment." The first two paragraphs are voided and replaced by the following.

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 "Pavement Sealer" of the size specified; "Retroreflectorized Pavement Markings" of the type and color specified and the shape, width, size, and thickness (Type I markings only) specified, as applicable; "Retroreflectorized Pavement Markings with Retroreflective Requirements" of the types, colors, sizes, widths, and thicknesses specified; "Retroreflectorized Profile Pavement Markings" of the various types, colors, shapes, sizes, and widths specified; or "Reflectorized Pavement Marking (Call Out)" of the shape, width, size, and thickness (Type I markings only) specified, as applicable; or "Pavement Sealer (Call Out)" of the size specified.

This price is full compensation for materials, application of pavement markings, equipment, labor, tools, and incidentals.

### **Special Provision to Item 721 Fiber Reinforced Polymer Patching Material**



Item 721, "Fiber Reinforced Polymer Patching Material" of the Standard Specifications is amended with respect to the clauses cited below. No other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed.

Article 3., "Materials," Table 1 is voided and replaced by the following:

Table 1 Patching Material Properties

Property	Test Method	Requirement
Resilience	<u>Tex-547-C</u>	50% Min
Tensile Strain to Failure	<u>Tex-548-C</u>	20% Min
Maximum Tensile Stress	<u>Tex-548-C</u>	50 psi Min
Cone Flow	Tex-549-C	12% Max (asphalt based)
Colle Flow	<u>16x-549-C</u>	4% Max (polymer based)
Flexibility	<u>Tex-550-C</u>	pass <sup>1</sup>
Settlement	<u>Tex-551-C</u>	3 mm, Max

No evidence of cracking of the sample.

### Section 3.1., "Sampling and Testing," is voided and replaced by the following:

3.1. Sampling and Testing. Provide material that has been preapproved by the Department in accordance with Tex-538-C, "Quality Monitoring for Rubber Asphalt Crack Sealers and Related Materials." Submit blended samples of patching material for preapproval or field evaluation when requested.

### Special Provision to Special Specification 6185 Truck Mounted Attenuator (TMA) and Trailer Attenuator (TA)



Item 6185, "Truck Mounted Attenuator (TMA) and Trailer Attenuator (TA)" of the Standard Specifications, is hereby amended with respect to the clauses cited below, and no other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed hereby.

Article 4. "Measurement", is voided and replaced by the following:

- 4.1. **Truck Mounted Attenuator/Trailer Attenuator (Stationary).** This Item will be measured by the day. TMA/TAs must be set up in a work area and operational before a calendar day can be considered measureable. A day will be measured for each TMA/TA set up and operational on the worksite.
- 4.2. **Truck Mounted Attenuator/Trailer Attenuator (Mobile Operation).** This Item will be measured by the hour or by the day. The time begins once the TMA/TA is ready for operation at the predetermined site and stops when notified by the Engineer. When measurement by the hour is specified, a minimum of 4 hr. will be paid each day for each operating TMA/TA used in a mobile operation. When measurement by the day is specified, a day will be measured for each TMA/TA set up and operational on the worksite.

# Special Specification 3076 Dense-Graded Hot-Mix Asphalt



#### 1. DESCRIPTION

Construct a hot-mix asphalt (HMA) pavement layer composed of a compacted, dense-graded mixture of aggregate and asphalt binder mixed hot in a mixing plant. Payment adjustments will apply to HMA placed under this specification unless the HMA is deemed exempt in accordance with Section 3076.4.9.4., "Exempt Production."

#### 2. MATERIALS

Furnish uncontaminated materials of uniform quality that meet the requirements of the plans and specifications.

Notify the Engineer of all material sources and before changing any material source or formulation. The Engineer will verify that the specification requirements are met when the Contractor makes a source or formulation change, and may require a new laboratory mixture design, trial batch, or both. The Engineer may sample and test project materials at any time during the project to verify specification compliance in accordance with Item 6, "Control of Materials."

- Aggregate. Furnish aggregates from sources that conform to the requirements shown in Table 1 and as specified in this Section. Aggregate requirements in this Section, including those shown in Table 1, may be modified or eliminated when shown on the plans. Additional aggregate requirements may be specified when shown on the plans. Provide aggregate stockpiles that meet the definitions in this Section for coarse, intermediate, or fine aggregate. Aggregate from reclaimed asphalt pavement (RAP) is not required to meet Table 1 requirements unless otherwise shown on the plans. Supply aggregates that meet the definitions in Tex-100-E for crushed gravel or crushed stone. The Engineer will designate the plant or the quarry as the sampling location. Provide samples from materials produced for the project. The Engineer will establish the Surface Aggregate Classification (SAC) and perform Los Angeles abrasion, magnesium sulfate soundness, and Micro-Deval tests. Perform all other aggregate quality tests listed in Table 1. Document all test results on the mixture design report. The Engineer may perform tests on independent or split samples to verify Contractor test results. Stockpile aggregates for each source and type separately. Determine aggregate gradations for mixture design and production testing based on the washed sieve analysis given in Tex-200-F, Part II.
- 2.1.1. Coarse Aggregate. Coarse aggregate stockpiles must have no more than 20% material passing the No. 8 sieve. Aggregates from sources listed in the Department's Bituminous Rated Source Quality Catalog (BRSQC) are preapproved for use. Use only the rated values for hot-mix listed in the BRSQC. Rated values for surface treatment (ST) do not apply to coarse aggregate sources used in hot-mix asphalt.

For sources not listed on the Department's BRSQC:

- build an individual stockpile for each material;
- request the Department test the stockpile for specification compliance; and
- once approved, do not add material to the stockpile unless otherwise approved.

Provide aggregate from non-listed sources only when tested by the Engineer and approved before use. Allow 30 calendar days for the Engineer to sample, test, and report results for non-listed sources.

Provide coarse aggregate with at least the minimum SAC shown on the plans. SAC requirements only apply to aggregates used on the surface of travel lanes. SAC requirements apply to aggregates used on surfaces other than travel lanes when shown on the plans. The SAC for sources on the Department's *Aggregate Quality Monitoring Program* (AQMP) (Tex-499-A) is listed in the BRSQC.

2.1.1.1.

Blending Class A and Class B Aggregates. Class B aggregate meeting all other requirements in Table 1 may be blended with a Class A aggregate to meet requirements for Class A materials, unless otherwise shown on the plans. Ensure that at least 50% by weight, or volume if required, of the material retained on the No. 4 sieve comes from the Class A aggregate source when blending Class A and B aggregates to meet a Class A requirement unless otherwise shown on the plans. Blend by volume if the bulk specific gravities of the Class A and B aggregates differ by more than 0.300. Coarse aggregate from RAP and Recycled Asphalt Shingles (RAS) will be considered as Class B aggregate for blending purposes.

The Engineer may perform tests at any time during production, when the Contractor blends Class A and B aggregates to meet a Class A requirement, to ensure that at least 50% by weight, or volume if required, of the material retained on the No. 4 sieve comes from the Class A aggregate source. The Engineer will use the Department's mix design template, when electing to verify conformance, to calculate the percent of Class A aggregate retained on the No. 4 sieve by inputting the bin percentages shown from readouts in the control room at the time of production and stockpile gradations measured at the time of production. The Engineer may determine the gradations based on either washed or dry sieve analysis from samples obtained from individual aggregate cold feed bins or aggregate stockpiles. The Engineer may perform spot checks using the gradations supplied by the Contractor on the mixture design report as an input for the template; however, a failing spot check will require confirmation with a stockpile gradation determined by the Engineer.

2.1.1.2. Micro-Deval Abrasion. The Engineer will perform a minimum of one Micro-Deval abrasion test in accordance with <u>Tex-461-A</u> for each coarse aggregate source used in the mixture design that has a Rated Source Soundness Magnesium (RSSM) loss value greater than 15 as listed in the BRSQC. The Engineer will perform testing before the start of production and may perform additional testing at any time during production. The Engineer may obtain the coarse aggregate samples from each coarse aggregate source or may require the Contractor to obtain the samples. The Engineer may waive all Micro-Deval testing based on a satisfactory test history of the same aggregate source.

The Engineer will estimate the magnesium sulfate soundness loss for each coarse aggregate source, when tested, using the following formula:

 $Mg_{est.} = (RSSM)(MD_{act.}/RSMD)$ 

where:

Mgest. = magnesium sulfate soundness loss MDact. = actual Micro-Deval percent loss RSMD = Rated Source Micro-Deval

When the estimated magnesium sulfate soundness loss is greater than the maximum magnesium sulfate soundness loss specified, the coarse aggregate source will not be allowed for use unless otherwise approved. The Engineer will consult the Soils and Aggregates Section of the Materials and Tests Division, and additional testing may be required before granting approval.

2.1.2. **Intermediate Aggregate.** Aggregates not meeting the definition of coarse or fine aggregate will be defined as intermediate aggregate. Supply intermediate aggregates, when used that are free from organic impurities. The Engineer may test the intermediate aggregate in accordance with <a href="Tex-408-A">Tex-408-A</a> to verify the material is free from organic impurities. Supply intermediate aggregate from coarse aggregate sources, when used that meet the requirements shown in Table 1 unless otherwise approved.

Test the stockpile if 10% or more of the stockpile is retained on the No. 4 sieve, and verify that it meets the requirements in Table 1 for crushed face count (<u>Tex-460-A</u>) and flat and elongated particles (<u>Tex-280-F</u>).

2.1.3. Fine Aggregate. Fine aggregates consist of manufactured sands, screenings, and field sands. Fine aggregate stockpiles must meet the gradation requirements in Table 2. Supply fine aggregates that are free from organic impurities. The Engineer may test the fine aggregate in accordance with <a href="Tex-408-A">Tex-408-A</a> to verify the material is free from organic impurities. Unless otherwise shown on the plans, up to 10% of the total aggregate may be field sand or other uncrushed fine aggregate. Use fine aggregate, with the exception of field sand, from coarse aggregate sources that meet the requirements shown in Table 1 unless otherwise approved.

Test the stockpile if 10% or more of the stockpile is retained on the No. 4 sieve and verify that it meets the requirements in Table 1 for crushed face count (<u>Tex-460-A</u>) and flat and elongated particles (<u>Tex-280-F</u>).

Table 1
Aggregate Quality Requirements

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Property	Test Method	Requirement	
Coarse Aggregate			
SAC	Tex-499-A (AQMP)	As shown on the plans	
Deleterious material, %, Max	Tex-217-F, Part I	1.5	
Decantation, %, Max	Tex-217-F, Part II	1.5	
Micro-Deval abrasion, %	Tex-461-A	Note 1	
Los Angeles abrasion, %, Max	<u>Tex-410-A</u>	40	
Magnesium sulfate soundness, 5 cycles, %, Max	<u>Tex-411-A</u>	30	
Crushed face count,2 %, Min	Tex-460-A, Part I	85	
Flat and elongated particles @ 5:1, %, Max	Tex-280-F	10	
Fine Aggregate			
Linear shrinkage, %, Max	<u>Tex-107-E</u>	3	
Sand equivalent, %, Min	<u>Tex-203-F</u>	45	
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- Used to estimate the magnesium sulfate soundness loss in accordance with Section 3076.2.1.1.2., "Micro-Deval Abrasion."
- 2. Only applies to crushed gravel.

Gradation Requirements for Fine Aggregate

Sieve Size	% Passing by Weight or Volume
3/8"	100
#8	70–100
#200	0–30

2.2. **Mineral Filler**. Mineral filler consists of finely divided mineral matter such as agricultural lime, crusher fines, hydrated lime, or fly ash. Mineral filler is allowed unless otherwise shown on the plans. Use no more than 2% hydrated lime or fly ash unless otherwise shown on the plans. Use no more than 1% hydrated lime if a substitute binder is used unless otherwise shown on the plans or allowed. Test all mineral fillers except hydrated lime and fly ash in accordance with <a href="Tex-107-E">Tex-107-E</a> to ensure specification compliance. The plans may require or disallow specific mineral fillers. Provide mineral filler, when used, that:

- is sufficiently dry, free-flowing, and free from clumps and foreign matter as determined by the Engineer;
- does not exceed 3% linear shrinkage when tested in accordance with Tex-107-E; and
- meets the gradation requirements in Table 3, unless otherwise shown on the plans.

Table 3
Gradation Requirements for Mineral Filler

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Sieve Size	% Passing by Weight or Volume
#8	100
#200	55–100

- 2.3. **Baghouse Fines**. Fines collected by the baghouse or other dust-collecting equipment may be reintroduced into the mixing drum.
- 2.4. **Asphalt Binder**. Furnish the type and grade of performance-graded (PG) asphalt specified on the plans.

- 2.5. Tack Coat. Furnish CSS-1H, SS-1H, or a PG binder with a minimum high-temperature grade of PG 58 for tack coat binder in accordance with Item 300, "Asphalts, Oils, and Emulsions." Specialized tack coat materials listed on the Department's MPL are allowed or required when shown on the plans. Do not dilute emulsified asphalts at the terminal, in the field, or at any other location before use.
- 2.6. Additives. Use the type and rate of additive specified when shown on the plans. Additives that facilitate mixing, compaction, or improve the quality of the mixture are allowed when approved. Provide the Engineer with documentation such as the bill of lading showing the quantity of additives used in the project unless otherwise directed.
- 2.6.1. Lime and Liquid Antistripping Agent. When lime or a liquid antistripping agent is used, add in accordance with Item 301, "Asphalt Antistripping Agents." Do not add lime directly into the mixing drum of any plant where lime is removed through the exhaust stream unless the plant has a baghouse or dust collection system that reintroduces the lime into the drum.
- 2.6.2. **Warm Mix Asphalt (WMA)**. Warm Mix Asphalt (WMA) is defined as HMA that is produced within a target temperature discharge range of 215°F and 275°F using approved WMA additives or processes from the Department's MPL.

WMA is allowed for use on all projects and is required when shown on the plans. When WMA is required, the maximum placement or target discharge temperature for WMA will be set at a value below 275°F.

Department-approved WMA additives or processes may be used to facilitate mixing and compaction of HMA produced at target discharge temperatures above 275°F; however, such mixtures will not be defined as WMA.

2.6.3. **Compaction Aid.** Compaction Aid is defined as a chemical warm mix additive that is used to produce an asphalt mixture at a discharge temperature greater than 275°F.

Compaction Aid is allowed for use on all projects and is required when shown on the plans.

2.7. **Recycled Materials**. Use of RAP and RAS is permitted unless otherwise shown on the plans. Use of RAS is restricted to only intermediate and base mixes unless otherwise shown on the plans. Do not exceed the maximum allowable percentages of RAP and RAS shown in Table 4. The allowable percentages shown in Table 4 may be decreased or increased when shown on the plans. Determine the asphalt binder content and gradation of the RAP and RAS stockpiles for mixture design purposes in accordance with <a href="Tex-236-F">Tex-236-F</a>, Part I. The Engineer may verify the asphalt binder content of the stockpiles at any time during production. Perform other tests on RAP and RAS when shown on the plans. Asphalt binder from RAP and RAS is designated as recycled asphalt binder. Calculate and ensure that the ratio of the recycled asphalt binder to total binder does not exceed the percentages shown in Table 5 during mixture design and HMA production when RAP or RAS is used. Use a separate cold feed bin for each stockpile of RAP and RAS during HMA production.

Surface, intermediate, and base mixes referenced in Tables 4 and 5 are defined as follows:

- Surface. The final HMA lift placed at the top of the pavement structure or placed directly below mixtures produced in accordance with Items 316, 342, 347, or 348;
- Intermediate. Mixtures placed below an HMA surface mix and less than or equal to 8.0 in. from the riding surface; and
- Base. Mixtures placed greater than 8.0 in. from the riding surface. Unless otherwise shown on the plans, mixtures used for bond breaker are defined as base mixtures.
- 2.7.1. RAP is salvaged, milled, pulverized, broken, or crushed asphalt pavement. Fractionated RAP is defined as a stockpile that contains RAP material with a minimum of 95.0% passing the 3/8-in. or 1/2-in. sieve, before burning in the ignition oven, unless otherwise approved. The Engineer may allow the Contractor to use an alternate to the 3/8-in. or 1/2-in. screen to fractionate the RAP.

Use of Contractor-owned RAP including HMA plant waste is permitted unless otherwise shown on the plans. Department-owned RAP stockpiles are available for the Contractor's use when the stockpile locations are shown on the plans. If Department-owned RAP is available for the Contractor's use, the Contractor may use Contractor-owned fractionated RAP and replace it with an equal quantity of Department-owned RAP. Department-owned RAP generated through required work on the Contract is available for the Contractor's use when shown on the plans. Perform any necessary tests to ensure Contractor- or Department-owned RAP is appropriate for use. The Department will not perform any tests or assume any liability for the quality of the Department-owned RAP unless otherwise shown on the plans. The Contractor will retain ownership of RAP generated on the project when shown on the plans.

Do not use Department- or Contractor-owned RAP contaminated with dirt or other objectionable materials. Do not use Department- or Contractor-owned RAP if the decantation value exceeds 5% and the plasticity index is greater than 8. Test the stockpiled RAP for decantation in accordance with <a href="Tex-406-A">Tex-406-A</a>, Part I. Determine the plasticity index in accordance with <a href="Tex-106-E">Tex-106-E</a> if the decantation value exceeds 5%. The decantation and plasticity index requirements do not apply to RAP samples with asphalt removed by extraction or ignition.

Do not intermingle Contractor-owned RAP stockpiles with Department-owned RAP stockpiles. Remove unused Contractor-owned RAP material from the project site upon completion of the project. Return unused Department-owned RAP to the designated stockpile location.

Table 4
Maximum Allowable Amounts of RAP<sup>1</sup>

Maximum Anowable Amounts of ItAl			
Maximum Allowable			
Fra	Fractionated RAP (%)		
Surface Intermediate Base			
15.0	25.0	30.0	

 Must also meet the recycled binder to total binder ratio shown in Table 5.

2.7.2.

RAS. Use of post-manufactured RAS or post-consumer RAS (tear-offs) is not permitted in surface mixtures unless otherwise shown on the plans. RAS may be used in intermediate and base mixtures unless otherwise shown on the plans. Up to 3% RAS may be used separately or as a replacement for fractionated RAP in accordance with Table 4 and Table 5. RAS is defined as processed asphalt shingle material from manufacturing of asphalt roofing shingles or from re-roofing residential structures. Post-manufactured RAS is processed manufacturer's shingle scrap by-product. Post-consumer RAS is processed shingle scrap removed from residential structures. Comply with all regulatory requirements stipulated for RAS by the TCEQ. RAS may be used separately or in conjunction with RAP.

Process the RAS by ambient grinding or granulating such that 100% of the particles pass the 3/8 in. sieve when tested in accordance with <u>Tex-200-F</u>, Part I. Perform a sieve analysis on processed RAS material before extraction (or ignition) of the asphalt binder.

Add sand meeting the requirements of Table 1 and Table 2 or fine RAP to RAS stockpiles if needed to keep the processed material workable. Any stockpile that contains RAS will be considered a RAS stockpile and be limited to no more than 3.0% of the HMA mixture in accordance with Table 4.

Certify compliance of the RAS with <u>DMS-11000</u>, "Evaluating and Using Nonhazardous Recyclable Materials Guidelines." Treat RAS as an established nonhazardous recyclable material if it has not come into contact with any hazardous materials. Use RAS from shingle sources on the Department's MPL. Remove substantially all materials before use that are not part of the shingle, such as wood, paper, metal, plastic, and felt paper. Determine the deleterious content of RAS material for mixture design purposes in accordance with <u>Tex-217-F</u>, Part III. Do not use RAS if deleterious materials are more than 0.5% of the stockpiled RAS unless otherwise approved. Submit a sample for approval before submitting the mixture design. The Department will perform the testing for deleterious material of RAS to determine specification compliance.

- 2.8. **Substitute Binders**. Unless otherwise shown on the plans, the Contractor may use a substitute PG binder listed in Table 5 instead of the PG binder originally specified, if using recycled materials, and if the substitute PG binder and mixture made with the substitute PG binder meet the following:
  - the substitute binder meets the specification requirements for the substitute binder grade in accordance with Section 300.2.10., "Performance-Graded Binders;" and
  - the mixture has less than 10.0 mm of rutting on the Hamburg Wheel test (<u>Tex-242-F</u>) after the number of passes required for the originally specified binder. Use of substitute PG binders may only be allowed at the discretion of the Engineer if the Hamburg Wheel test results are between 10.0 mm and 12.5 mm.

Allowable Substitute PG Binders and Maximum Recycled Binder Ratios

Originally Specified	Allowable Substitute PG Binder for	Allowable Substitute PG Binder for		Ratio of Recycle Total Binder (%	
PG Binder	Surface Mixes	Intermediate and Base Mixes	Surface	Intermediate	Base
76-22 <sup>4,5</sup>	70-22	70-22	10.0	20.0	25.0
70-22 <sup>2,5</sup>	N/A	64-22	10.0	20.0	25.0
64-22 <sup>2,3</sup>	N/A	N/A	10.0	20.0	25.0
76-28 <sup>4,5</sup>	70-28	70-28	10.0	20.0	25.0
70-28 <sup>2,5</sup>	N/A	64-28	10.0	20.0	25.0
64-28 <sup>2,3</sup>	N/A	N/A	10.0	20.0	25.0

- Combined recycled binder from RAP and RAS. RAS is not permitted in surface mixtures unless otherwise shown on the plans.
- 2. Binder substitution is not allowed for surface mixtures.
- 3. Binder substitution is not allowed for intermediate and base mixtures.
- Use no more than 10.0% recycled binder in surface mixtures when using this originally specified PG binder
- Use no more than 20.0% recycled binder when using this originally specified PG binder for intermediate mixtures. Use no more than 25.0% recycled binder when using this originally specified PG binder for base mixtures.

#### 3. EQUIPMENT

Provide required or necessary equipment in accordance with Item 320, "Equipment for Asphalt Concrete Pavement."

#### 4. CONSTRUCTION

Produce, haul, place, and compact the specified paving mixture. In addition to tests required by the specification, Contractors may perform other QC tests as deemed necessary. At any time during the project, the Engineer may perform production and placement tests as deemed necessary in accordance with Item 5, "Control of the Work." Schedule and participate in a mandatory pre-paving meeting with the Engineer on or before the first day of paving unless otherwise shown on the plans.

4.1. **Certification**. Personnel certified by the Department-approved hot-mix asphalt certification program must conduct all mixture designs, sampling, and testing in accordance with Table 6. Supply the Engineer with a list of certified personnel and copies of their current certificates before beginning production and when personnel changes are made. Provide a mixture design developed and signed by a Level 2 certified specialist. Provide Level 1A certified specialists at the plant during production operations. Provide Level 1B certified specialists to conduct placement tests. Provide AGG101 certified specialists for aggregate testing.

Table 6 Test Methods, Test Responsibility, and Minimum Certification Levels

	Test Methods, Test Responsibility, and Minimum Certification Levels			
Test Description	Test Method	Contractor	Engineer	Level <sup>1</sup>
	1. Aggregate and Recycle			
Sampling	<u>Tex-221-F</u>	✓	✓	1A/AGG101
Dry sieve	Tex-200-F, Part I	✓	✓	1A/AGG101
Washed sieve	Tex-200-F, Part II	✓	✓	1A/AGG101
Deleterious material	Tex-217-F, Parts I & III	✓	✓	AGG101
Decantation	Tex-217-F, Part II	✓	✓	AGG101
Los Angeles abrasion	<u>Tex-410-A</u>		✓	TxDOT
Magnesium sulfate soundness	<u>Tex-411-A</u>		✓	TxDOT
Micro-Deval abrasion	<u>Tex-461-A</u>		✓	AGG101
Crushed face count	<u>Tex-460-A</u>	✓	✓	AGG101
Flat and elongated particles	<u>Tex-280-F</u>	✓	✓	AGG101
Linear shrinkage	<u>Tex-107-E</u>	✓	✓	AGG101
Sand equivalent	<u>Tex-203-F</u>	✓	✓	AGG101
Organic impurities	<u>Tex-408-A</u>	✓	✓	AGG101
	2. Asphalt Binder & Tacl	Coat Sampling		
Asphalt binder sampling	Tex-500-C, Part II	✓	✓	1A/1B
Tack coat sampling	Tex-500-C, Part III	✓	✓	1A/1B
	3. Mix Design & V	erification		
Design and JMF changes	<u>Tex-204-F</u>	<b>✓</b>	✓	2
Mixing	<u>Tex-205-F</u>	<b>✓</b>	✓	2
Molding (TGC)	<u>Tex-206-F</u>	<b>✓</b>	✓	1A
Molding (SGC)	<u>Tex-241-F</u>	✓	✓	1A
Laboratory-molded density	Tex-207-F, Parts I & VI	✓	✓	1A
Rice gravity	Tex-227-F, Part II	✓	✓	1A
Ignition oven correction factors <sup>2</sup>	Tex-236-F, Part II	✓	✓	2
Indirect tensile strength	<u>Tex-226-F</u>	<b>✓</b>	✓	1A
Hamburg Wheel test	<u>Tex-242-F</u>	<b>✓</b>	✓	1A
Boil test	<u>Tex-530-C</u>	<b>✓</b>	✓	1A
	4. Production 1	esting		
Selecting production random numbers	Tex-225-F, Part I		✓	1A
Mixture sampling	<u>Tex-222-F</u>	✓	✓	1A/1B
Molding (TGC)	<u>Tex-206-F</u>	✓	✓	1A
Molding (SGC)	<u>Tex-241-F</u>	<b>✓</b>	✓	1A
Laboratory-molded density	Tex-207-F, Parts I & VI	<b>✓</b>	✓	1A
Rice gravity	Tex-227-F, Part II	<b>✓</b>	✓	1A
Gradation & asphalt binder content <sup>2</sup>	Tex-236-F, Part I	✓	✓	1A
Control charts	<u>Tex-233-F</u>	✓	✓	1A
Moisture content	Tex-212-F, Part II	✓	✓	1A/AGG101
Hamburg Wheel test	<u>Tex-242-F</u>	✓	✓	1A
Micro-Deval abrasion	<u>Tex-461-A</u>		✓	AGG101
Boil test	<u>Tex-530-C</u>	✓	✓	1A
Abson recovery	Tex-211-F		✓	TxDOT
5. Placement Testing				
Selecting placement random numbers	Tex-225-F, Part II		✓	1B
Trimming roadway cores	Tex-251-F, Parts I & II	✓	✓	1A/1B
In-place air voids	Tex-207-F, Parts I & VI	✓	✓	1A
In-place density (nuclear method)	Tex-207-F, Part III	✓		1B
Establish rolling pattern	Tex-207-F, Part IV	✓		1B
Control charts	Tex-233-F	✓	✓	1A
Ride quality measurement	Tex-1001-S	✓	✓	Note 3
Segregation (density profile)	Tex-207-F, Part V	✓	✓	1B
Longitudinal joint density	Tex-207-F, Part VII	✓	✓	1B
Thermal profile	Tex-244-F	✓	✓	1B
Shear Bond Strength Test	Tex-249-F		✓	TxDOT
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Level 1A, 1B, AGG101, and 2 are certification levels provided by the Hot Mix Asphalt Center certification program.

Refer to Section 3076.4.9.2.3., "Production Testing," for exceptions to using an ignition oven.

Profiler and operator are required to be certified at the Texas A&M Transportation Institute facility when Surface Test Type B is specified.

Reporting and Responsibilities. Use Department-provided templates to record and calculate all test data, including mixture design, production and placement QC/QA, control charts, thermal profiles, segregation density profiles, and longitudinal joint density. Obtain the current version of the templates at http://www.txdot.gov/inside-txdot/forms-publications/consultants-contractors/forms/site-manager.html or from the Engineer. The Engineer and the Contractor will provide any available test results to the other party when requested. The maximum allowable time for the Contractor and Engineer to exchange test data is as given in Table 7 unless otherwise approved. The Engineer and the Contractor will immediately report to the other party any test result that requires suspension of production or placement, a payment adjustment less than 1.000, or that fails to meet the specification requirements. Record and electronically submit all test results and pertinent information on Department-provided templates.

Subsequent sublots placed after test results are available to the Contractor, which require suspension of operations, may be considered unauthorized work. Unauthorized work will be accepted or rejected at the discretion of the Engineer in accordance with Article 5.3., "Conformity with Plans, Specifications, and Special Provisions."

Table 7
Reporting Schedule

Reporting Schedule					
Description	Reported By	Reported To	To Be Reported Within		
	Production Quality Control				
Gradation <sup>1</sup>					
Asphalt binder content <sup>1</sup>			1 working day of completion of		
Laboratory-molded density <sup>2</sup>	Contractor	Engineer	1 working day of completion of the sublot		
Moisture content <sup>3</sup>			trie Subiot		
Boil test <sup>3</sup>					
	Production Qu	uality Assurance			
Gradation <sup>3</sup>					
Asphalt binder content <sup>3</sup>					
Laboratory-molded density <sup>1</sup>	Газіваан	Contractor	1 working day of completion of		
Hamburg Wheel test <sup>4</sup>	Engineer	Contractor	the sublot		
Boil test <sup>3</sup>					
Binder tests <sup>4</sup>					
Placement Quality Control					
In-place air voids <sup>2</sup>		Engineer	1 working day of completion of		
Segregation <sup>1</sup>	Cambrastan				
Longitudinal joint density <sup>1</sup>	Contractor		the lot		
Thermal profile <sup>1</sup>					
	Placement Qu	iality Assurance			
In-place air voids <sup>1</sup>			1 working day after receiving the trimmed cores <sup>5</sup>		
Segregation <sup>3</sup>	Engineer	Contractor			
Longitudinal joint density <sup>3</sup>	Engineer	Contractor	1 working day of completion of		
Thermal profile <sup>3</sup>			the lot		
Aging ratio <sup>4</sup>					
Payment adjustment summary	Engineer	Contractor	2 working days of performing all required tests and receiving Contractor test data		

1. These tests are required on every sublot.

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- 2. Optional test. When performed on split samples, report the results as soon as they become available.
- 3. To be performed at the frequency specified in Table 16 or as shown on the plans.
- . To be reported as soon as the results become available.
- 5. 2 days are allowed if cores cannot be dried to constant weight within 1 day.

The Engineer will use the Department-provided template to calculate all payment adjustment factors for the lot. Sublot samples may be discarded after the Engineer and Contractor sign off on the payment adjustment summary documentation for the lot.

Use the procedures described in <u>Tex-233-F</u> to plot the results of all quality control (QC) and quality assurance (QA) testing. Update the control charts as soon as test results for each sublot become available. Make the control charts readily accessible at the field laboratory. The Engineer may suspend production for failure to update control charts.

4.3. **Quality Control Plan (QCP)**. Develop and follow the QCP in detail. Obtain approval for changes to the QCP made during the project. The Engineer may suspend operations if the Contractor fails to comply with the QCP.

Submit a written QCP before the mandatory pre-paving meeting. Receive approval of the QCP before beginning production. Include the following items in the QCP:

#### 4.3.1. **Project Personnel**. For project personnel, include:

- a list of individuals responsible for QC with authority to take corrective action;
- current contact information for each individual listed; and
- current copies of certification documents for individuals performing specified QC functions.

#### 4.3.2. **Material Delivery and Storage**. For material delivery and storage, include:

- the sequence of material processing, delivery, and minimum quantities to assure continuous plant operations;
- aggregate stockpiling procedures to avoid contamination and segregation;
- frequency, type, and timing of aggregate stockpile testing to assure conformance of material requirements before mixture production; and
- procedure for monitoring the quality and variability of asphalt binder.

#### 4.3.3. **Production**. For production, include:

- loader operation procedures to avoid contamination in cold bins:
- procedures for calibrating and controlling cold feeds;
- procedures to eliminate debris or oversized material;
- procedures for adding and verifying rates of each applicable mixture component (e.g., aggregate, asphalt binder, RAP, RAS, lime, liquid antistrip, WMA);
- procedures for reporting job control test results; and
- procedures to avoid segregation and drain-down in the silo.

#### 4.3.4. **Loading and Transporting**. For loading and transporting, include:

- type and application method for release agents; and
- truck loading procedures to avoid segregation.

#### 4.3.5. **Placement and Compaction**. For placement and compaction, include:

- proposed agenda for mandatory pre-paving meeting, including date and location;
- proposed paving plan (e.g., paving widths, joint offsets, and lift thicknesses);
- type and application method for release agents in the paver and on rollers, shovels, lutes, and other utensils:
- procedures for the transfer of mixture into the paver, while avoiding segregation and preventing material spillage;
- process to balance production, delivery, paving, and compaction to achieve continuous placement operations and good ride quality;
- paver operations (e.g., operation of wings, height of mixture in auger chamber) to avoid physical and thermal segregation and other surface irregularities; and
- procedures to construct quality longitudinal and transverse joints.

- 4.4. Mixture Design.
- 4.4.1. **Design Requirements**. The Contractor will design the mixture using a Superpave Gyratory Compactor (SGC). A Texas Gyratory Compactor (TGC) may be used when shown on the plans. Use the dense-graded design procedure provided in <u>Tex-204-F</u>. Design the mixture to meet the requirements listed in Tables 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, and 10.
- 4.4.1.1. **Design Number of Gyrations (Ndesign) When The SGC Is Used**. Design the mixture at 50 gyrations (Ndesign). Use a target laboratory-molded density of 96.0% to design the mixture; however, adjustments can be made to the Ndesign value as noted in Table 9. The Ndesign level may be reduced to at least 35 gyrations at the Contractor's discretion.

Use an approved laboratory from the Department's MPL to perform the Hamburg Wheel test, and provide results with the mixture design, or provide the laboratory mixture and request that the Department perform the Hamburg Wheel test. The Engineer will be allowed 10 working days to provide the Contractor with Hamburg Wheel test results on the laboratory mixture design.

The Engineer will provide the mixture design when shown on the plans. The Contractor may submit a new mixture design at any time during the project. The Engineer will verify and approve all mixture designs (JMF1) before the Contractor can begin production.

Provide the Engineer with a mixture design report using the Department-provided template. Include the following items in the report:

- the combined aggregate gradation, source, specific gravity, and percent of each material used;
- asphalt binder content and aggregate gradation of RAP and RAS stockpiles;
- the target laboratory-molded density (or Ndesign level when using the SGC);
- results of all applicable tests;
- the mixing and molding temperatures;
- the signature of the Level 2 person or persons that performed the design;
- the date the mixture design was performed; and
- a unique identification number for the mixture design.

Table 8

Master Gradation Limits (% Passing by Weight or Volume) and VMA Requirements

Master Oracation Limits					
Sieve	В	С	D	F	
	Fine	Coarse	Fine	Fine	
Size	Base	Surface	Surface	Mixture	
2"	-	-	ı	_	
1-1/2"	100.0 <sup>1</sup>	-	-	_	
1"	98.0-100.0	100.0 <sup>1</sup>	ı	_	
3/4"	84.0-98.0	95.0-100.0	100.0 <sup>1</sup>	_	
1/2"	-	-	98.0-100.0	100.0 <sup>1</sup>	
3/8"	60.0-80.0	70.0-85.0	85.0-100.0	98.0-100.0	
#4	40.0-60.0	43.0-63.0	50.0-70.0	70.0-90.0	
#8	29.0-43.0	32.0-44.0	35.0-46.0	38.0-48.0	
#30	13.0-28.0	14.0-28.0	15.0-29.0	12.0-27.0	
#50	6.0-20.0	7.0-21.0	7.0-20.0	6.0-19.0	
#200	2.0-7.0	2.0-7.0	2.0-7.0	2.0-7.0	
	Design VMA, % Minimum				
-	13.0	14.0	15.0	16.0	
	Production (Pla	ant-Produced) \	/MA, % Minimu	m	
_	12.5	13.5	14.5	15.5	

<sup>1.</sup> Defined as maximum sieve size. No tolerance allowed.

Table 9
Laboratory Mixture Design Properties

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Mixture Property	Test Method	Requirement
Target laboratory-molded density, % (SGC)	Tex-207-F	96.0
Design gyrations (Ndesign for SGC)	<u>Tex-241-F</u>	50 <sup>1</sup>
Indirect tensile strength (dry), psi	Tex-226-F	85–200 <sup>2</sup>
Boil test <sup>3</sup>	Tex-530-C	_

- Adjust within a range of 35–100 gyrations when shown on the plans or specification or when mutually agreed between the Engineer and Contractor.
- The Engineer may allow the IDT strength to exceed 200 psi if the corresponding Hamburg Wheel rut depth is greater than 3.0 mm and less than 12.5 mm.
- Used to establish baseline for comparison to production results. May be waived when approved.

Table 10 Hamburg Wheel Test Requirements

High-Temperature Binder Grade	Test Method	Minimum # of Passes @ 12.5 mm <sup>1</sup> Rut Depth, Tested @ 50°C
PG 64 or lower		10,000²
PG 70	Tex-242-F	15,000³
PG 76 or higher		20,000

- When the rut depth at the required minimum number of passes is less than 3 mm, the Engineer may require the Contractor to increase the target laboratory-molded density (TGC) by 0.5% to no more than 97.5% or lower the Ndesign level (SGC) to at least 35 gyrations.
- 2. May be decreased to at least 5,000 passes when shown on the plans.
- 3. May be decreased to at least 10,000 passes when shown on the plans.
- 4.4.1.2. **Target Laboratory-Molded Density When The TGC Is Used**. Design the mixture at a 96.5% target laboratory-molded density. Increase the target laboratory-molded density to 97.0% or 97.5% at the Contractor's discretion or when shown on the plans or specification.
- 4.4.2. **Job-Mix Formula Approval**. The job-mix formula (JMF) is the combined aggregate gradation, target laboratory-molded density (or Ndesign level), and target asphalt percentage used to establish target values for hot-mix production. JMF1 is the original laboratory mixture design used to produce the trial batch. When WMA is used, JMF1 may be designed and submitted to the Engineer without including the WMA additive. When WMA is used, document the additive or process used and recommended rate on the JMF1 submittal. The Engineer and the Contractor will verify JMF1 based on plant-produced mixture from the trial batch unless otherwise approved. The Engineer may accept an existing mixture design previously used on a Department project and may waive the trial batch to verify JMF1. The Department may require the Contractor to reimburse the Department for verification tests if more than 2 trial batches per design are required.
- 4.4.2.1. Contractor's Responsibilities.
- 4.4.2.1.1. **Providing Gyratory Compactor**. Use a SGC calibrated in accordance with <u>Tex-241-F</u> to design the mixture in accordance with <u>Tex-204-F</u>, Part IV, for molding production samples. Locate the SGC, if used, at the Engineer's field laboratory and make the SGC available to the Engineer for use in molding production samples. Furnish a TGC calibrated in accordance with <u>Tex-914-K</u> when shown on the plans to design the mixture in accordance with <u>Tex-204-F</u>, Part I, for molding production samples.
- 4.4.2.1.2. **Gyratory Compactor Correlation Factors**. Use <u>Tex-206-F</u>, Part II, to perform a gyratory compactor correlation when the Engineer uses a different gyratory compactor. Apply the correlation factor to all subsequent production test results.
- 4.4.2.1.3. **Submitting JMF1**. Furnish a mix design report (JMF1) with representative samples of all component materials and request approval to produce the trial batch. Provide approximately 10,000 g of the design mixture if opting to have the Department perform the Hamburg Wheel test on the laboratory mixture, and request that the Department perform the test.

- 4.4.2.1.4. **Supplying Aggregates**. Provide approximately 40 lb. of each aggregate stockpile unless otherwise directed.
- 4.4.2.1.5. **Supplying Asphalt**. Provide at least 1 gal. of the asphalt material and enough quantities of any additives proposed for use.
- 4.4.2.1.6. **Ignition Oven Correction Factors**. Determine the aggregate and asphalt correction factors from the ignition oven in accordance with <u>Tex-236-F</u>, Part II. Provide correction factors that are not more than 12 months old. Provide the Engineer with split samples of the mixtures before the trial batch production, including all additives (except water), and blank samples used to determine the correction factors for the ignition oven used for QA testing during production. Correction factors established from a previously approved mixture design may be used for the current mixture design if the mixture design and ignition oven are the same as previously used, unless otherwise directed.
- 4.4.2.1.7. **Boil Test**. Perform the test and retain the tested sample from <u>Tex-530-C</u> until completion of the project or as directed. Use this sample for comparison purposes during production. The Engineer may waive the requirement for the boil test.
- 4.4.2.1.8. Trial Batch Production. Provide a plant-produced trial batch upon receiving conditional approval of JMF1 and authorization to produce a trial batch, including the WMA additive or process if applicable, for verification testing of JMF1 and development of JMF2. Produce a trial batch mixture that meets the requirements in Table 4, Table 5, and Table 11. The Engineer may accept test results from recent production of the same mixture instead of a new trial batch.
- 4.4.2.1.9. **Trial Batch Production Equipment**. Use only equipment and materials proposed for use on the project to produce the trial batch.
- 4.4.2.1.10. **Trial Batch Quantity**. Produce enough quantity of the trial batch to ensure that the mixture meets the specification requirements.
- 4.4.2.1.11. **Number of Trial Batches**. Produce trial batches as necessary to obtain a mixture that meets the specification requirements.
- 4.4.2.1.12. **Trial Batch Sampling**. Obtain a representative sample of the trial batch and split it into 3 equal portions in accordance with <u>Tex-222-F</u>. Label these portions as "Contractor," "Engineer," and "Referee." Deliver samples to the appropriate laboratory as directed.
- 4.4.2.1.13. **Trial Batch Testing**. Test the trial batch to ensure the mixture produced using the proposed JMF1 meets the mixture requirements in Table 11. Ensure the trial batch mixture is also in compliance with the Hamburg Wheel requirement in Table 10. Use a Department-approved laboratory to perform the Hamburg Wheel test on the trial batch mixture or request that the Department perform the Hamburg Wheel test. The Engineer will be allowed 10 working days to provide the Contractor with Hamburg Wheel test results on the trial batch. Provide the Engineer with a copy of the trial batch test results.
- 4.4.2.1.14. **Development of JMF2**. Evaluate the trial batch test results after the Engineer grants full approval of JMF1 based on results from the trial batch, determine the optimum mixture proportions, and submit as JMF2. Adjust the asphalt binder content or gradation to achieve the specified target laboratory-molded density. The asphalt binder content established for JMF2 is not required to be within any tolerance of the optimum asphalt binder content established for JMF1; however, mixture produced using JMF2 must meet the voids in mineral aggregates (VMA) requirements for production shown in Table 8. If the optimum asphalt binder content for JMF2 is more than 0.5% lower than the optimum asphalt binder content for JMF1, the Engineer may perform or require the Contractor to perform Tex-226-F on Lot 1 production to confirm the indirect tensile strength does not exceed 200 psi. Verify that JMF2 meets the mixture requirements in Table 5.
- 4.4.2.1.15. **Mixture Production**. Use JMF2 to produce Lot 1 as described in Section 3076.4.9.3.1.1., "Lot 1 Placement," after receiving approval for JMF2 and a passing result from the Department's or a Department-approved

laboratory's Hamburg Wheel test on the trial batch. If desired, proceed to Lot 1 production, once JMF2 is approved, at the Contractor's risk without receiving the results from the Department's Hamburg Wheel test on the trial batch.

Notify the Engineer if electing to proceed without Hamburg Wheel test results from the trial batch. Note that the Engineer may require up to the entire sublot of any mixture failing the Hamburg Wheel test to be removed and replaced at the Contractor's expense.

- 4.4.2.1.16. **Development of JMF3**. Evaluate the test results from Lot 1, determine the optimum mixture proportions, and submit as JMF3 for use in Lot 2.
- 4.4.2.1.17. **JMF Adjustments**. If JMF adjustments are necessary to achieve the specified requirements, make the adjustments before beginning a new lot. The adjusted JMF must:
  - be provided to the Engineer in writing before the start of a new lot;
  - be numbered in sequence to the previous JMF;
  - meet the mixture requirements in Table 4 and Table 5;
  - meet the master gradation limits shown in Table 8; and
  - be within the operational tolerances of JMF2 listed in Table 11.
- 4.4.2.1.18. **Requesting Referee Testing**. Use referee testing, if needed, in accordance with Section 3076.4.9.1., "Referee Testing," to resolve testing differences with the Engineer.

Table 11
Operational Tolerances

Description	Test Method	Allowable Difference Between Trial Batch and JMF1 Target	Allowable Difference from Current JMF Target	Allowable Difference between Contractor and Engineer <sup>1</sup>
Individual % retained for #8 sieve and larger	Toy 200 F	Must be Within	±5.0 <sup>2,3</sup>	±5.0
Individual % retained for sieves smaller than #8 and larger than #200	Tex-200-F or	Must be Within Master Grading Limits in Table 8	±3.0 <sup>2,3</sup>	±3.0
% passing the #200 sieve	<u>Tex-236-F</u>		±2.0 <sup>2,3</sup>	±1.6
Asphalt binder content, %	<u>Tex-236-F</u>	±0.5	±0.3 <sup>3</sup>	±0.3
Laboratory-molded density, %		±1.0	±1.0	±1.0
In-place air voids, %	Tex-207-F	N/A	N/A	±1.0
Laboratory-molded bulk specific gravity		N/A	N/A	±0.020
VMA, %, min	<u>Tex-204-F</u>	Note <sup>4</sup>	Note <sup>4</sup>	N/A
Theoretical maximum specific (Rice) gravity	Tex-227-F	N/A	N/A	±0.020

<sup>1.</sup> Contractor may request referee testing only when values exceed these tolerances.

#### 4.4.2.2. Engineer's Responsibilities.

4.4.2.2.1. **Gyratory Compactor**. For SGC mixtures designed in accordance with <u>Tex-204-F</u>, Part IV, the Engineer will use a Department SGC, calibrated in accordance with <u>Tex-241-F</u>, to mold samples for laboratory mixture design verification. For molding trial batch and production specimens, the Engineer will use the Contractor-provided SGC at the field laboratory or provide and use a Department SGC at an alternate location. The Engineer will make the Contractor-provided SGC in the Department field laboratory available to the Contractor for molding verification samples.

For TGC mixtures designed in accordance with <u>Tex-204-F</u>, Part I, the Engineer will use a Department TGC, calibrated in accordance with <u>Tex-914-K</u>, to mold samples for trial batch and production testing. The Engineer will make the Department TGC and the Department field laboratory available to the Contractor for molding verification samples, if requested by the Contractor.

<sup>2.</sup> When within these tolerances, mixture production gradations may fall outside the master grading limits; however, the % passing the #200 will be considered out of tolerance when outside the master grading limits.

<sup>3.</sup> Only applies to mixture produced for Lot 1 and higher.

<sup>4.</sup> Test and verify that Table 8 requirements are met.

- 4.4.2.2.2. **Conditional Approval of JMF1 and Authorizing Trial Batch**. The Engineer will review and verify conformance of the following information within 2 working days of receipt:
  - the Contractor's mix design report (JMF1);
  - the Contractor-provided Hamburg Wheel test results;
  - all required materials including aggregates, asphalt, additives, and recycled materials; and
  - the mixture specifications.

The Engineer will grant the Contractor conditional approval of JMF1 if the information provided on the paper copy of JMF1 indicates that the Contractor's mixture design meets the specifications. When the Contractor does not provide Hamburg Wheel test results with laboratory mixture design, 10 working days are allowed for conditional approval of JMF1. The Engineer will base full approval of JMF1 on the test results on mixture from the trial batch.

Unless waived, the Engineer will determine the Micro-Deval abrasion loss in accordance with Section 3076.2.1.1.2., "Micro-Deval Abrasion." If the Engineer's test results are pending after two working days, conditional approval of JMF1 will still be granted within two working days of receiving JMF1. When the Engineer's test results become available, they will be used for specification compliance.

After conditionally approving JMF1, including either Contractor- or Department-supplied Hamburg Wheel test results, the Contractor is authorized to produce a trial batch.

- 4.4.2.2.3. **Hamburg Wheel Testing of JMF1**. If the Contractor requests the option to have the Department perform the Hamburg Wheel test on the laboratory mixture, the Engineer will mold samples in accordance with <u>Tex-242-F</u> to verify compliance with the Hamburg Wheel test requirement in Table 10.
- 4.4.2.2.4. **Ignition Oven Correction Factors**. The Engineer will use the split samples provided by the Contractor to determine the aggregate and asphalt correction factors for the ignition oven used for QA testing during production in accordance with <u>Tex-236-F</u>, Part II. Provide correction factors that are not more than 12 months old.
- 4.4.2.2.5. **Testing the Trial Batch**. Within 1 full working day, the Engineer will sample and test the trial batch to ensure that the mixture meets the requirements in Table 11. If the Contractor requests the option to have the Department perform the Hamburg Wheel test on the trial batch mixture, the Engineer will mold samples in accordance with <u>Tex-242-F</u> to verify compliance with the Hamburg Wheel test requirement in Table 10.

The Engineer will have the option to perform the following tests on the trial batch:

- Tex-226-F, to verify that the indirect tensile strength meets the requirement shown in Table 9; and
- Tex-530-C, to retain and use for comparison purposes during production.
- 4.4.2.2.6. **Full Approval of JMF1**. The Engineer will grant full approval of JMF1 and authorize the Contractor to proceed with developing JMF2 if the Engineer's results for the trial batch meet the requirements in Table 11. The Engineer will notify the Contractor that an additional trial batch is required if the trial batch does not meet these requirements.
- 4.4.2.2.7. **Approval of JMF2**. The Engineer will approve JMF2 within one working day if the mixture meets the requirements in Table 5 and the gradation meets the master grading limits shown in Table 8. The asphalt binder content established for JMF2 is not required to be within any tolerance of the optimum asphalt binder content established for JMF1; however, mixture produced using JMF2 must meet the VMA requirements shown in Table 8. If the optimum asphalt binder content for JMF2 is more than 0.5% lower than the optimum asphalt binder content for JMF1, the Engineer may perform or require the Contractor to perform Tex-226-F on Lot 1 production to confirm the indirect tensile strength does not exceed 200 psi.

4.4.2.2.8. **Approval of Lot 1 Production**. The Engineer will authorize the Contractor to proceed with Lot 1 production (using JMF2) as soon as a passing result is achieved from the Department's or a Department-approved laboratory's Hamburg Wheel test on the trial batch. The Contractor may proceed at its own risk with Lot 1 production without the results from the Hamburg Wheel test on the trial batch.

If the Department's or Department-approved laboratory's sample from the trial batch fails the Hamburg Wheel test, the Engineer will suspend production until further Hamburg Wheel tests meet the specified values. The Engineer may require up to the entire sublot of any mixture failing the Hamburg Wheel test be removed and replaced at the Contractor's expense.

- 4.4.2.2.9. **Approval of JMF3 and Subsequent JMF Changes**. JMF3 and subsequent JMF changes are approved if they meet the mixture requirements shown in Table 4, Table 5, and the master grading limits shown in Table 8, and are within the operational tolerances of JMF2 shown in Table 11.
- 4.5. **Production Operations**. Perform a new trial batch when the plant or plant location is changed. Take corrective action and receive approval to proceed after any production suspension for noncompliance to the specification. Submit a new mix design and perform a new trial batch when the asphalt binder content of:
  - any RAP stockpile used in the mix is more than 0.5% higher than the value shown on the mixture design report; or
  - RAS stockpile used in the mix is more than 2.0% higher than the value shown on the mixture design report.
- 4.5.1. **Storage and Heating of Materials**. Do not heat the asphalt binder above the temperatures specified in Item 300, "Asphalts, Oils, and Emulsions," or outside the manufacturer's recommended values. Provide the Engineer with daily records of asphalt binder and hot-mix asphalt discharge temperatures (in legible and discernible increments) in accordance with Item 320, "Equipment for Asphalt Concrete Pavement," unless otherwise directed. Do not store mixture for a period long enough to affect the quality of the mixture, nor in any case longer than 12 hr. unless otherwise approved.
- 4.5.2. **Mixing and Discharge of Materials**. Notify the Engineer of the target discharge temperature and produce the mixture within 25°F of the target. Monitor the temperature of the material in the truck before shipping to ensure that it does not exceed the maximum production temperatures listed in Table 12 (or 275°F for WMA). The Department will not pay for or allow placement of any mixture produced above the maximum production temperatures listed in Table 12.

Table 12

Maximum Production Temperature

High-Temperature Binder Grade <sup>1</sup>	Maximum Production Temperature			
PG 64	325°F			
PG 70	335°F			
PG 76	345°F			

The high-temperature binder grade refers to the high-temperature grade of the virgin asphalt binder used to produce the mixture.

Produce WMA within the target discharge temperature range of 215°F and 275°F when WMA is required. Take corrective action any time the discharge temperature of the WMA exceeds the target discharge range. The Engineer may suspend production operations if the Contractor's corrective action is not successful at controlling the production temperature within the target discharge range. Note that when WMA is produced, it may be necessary to adjust burners to ensure complete combustion such that no burner fuel residue remains in the mixture.

Control the mixing time and temperature so that substantially all moisture is removed from the mixture before discharging from the plant. Determine the moisture content, if requested, by oven-drying in accordance with

<u>Tex-212-F</u>, Part II, and verify that the mixture contains no more than 0.2% of moisture by weight. Obtain the sample immediately after discharging the mixture into the truck, and perform the test promptly.

4.6. **Hauling Operations**. Clean all truck beds before use to ensure that mixture is not contaminated. Use a release agent shown on the Department's MPL to coat the inside bed of the truck when necessary.

Use equipment for hauling as defined in Section 3076.4.7.3.3., "Hauling Equipment." Use other hauling equipment only when allowed.

4.7. Placement Operations. Collect haul tickets from each load of mixture delivered to the project and provide the Department's copy to the Engineer approximately every hour, or as directed. Use a hand-held thermal camera or infrared thermometer, when a thermal imaging system is not used, to measure and record the internal temperature of the mixture as discharged from the truck or Material Transfer Device (MTD) before or as the mix enters the paver and an approximate station number or GPS coordinates on each ticket. Calculate the daily yield and cumulative yield for the specified lift and provide to the Engineer at the end of paving operations for each day unless otherwise directed. The Engineer may suspend production if the Contractor fails to produce and provide haul tickets and yield calculations by the end of paving operations for each day.

Prepare the surface by removing raised pavement markers and objectionable material such as moisture, dirt, sand, leaves, and other loose impediments from the surface before placing mixture. Remove vegetation from pavement edges. Place the mixture to meet the typical section requirements and produce a smooth, finished surface with a uniform appearance and texture. Offset longitudinal joints of successive courses of hot-mix by at least 6 in. Place mixture so that longitudinal joints on the surface course coincide with lane lines and are not placed in the wheel path, or as directed. Ensure that all finished surfaces will drain properly. Place the mixture at the rate or thickness shown on the plans. The Engineer will use the guidelines in Table 13 to determine the compacted lift thickness of each layer when multiple lifts are required. The thickness determined is based on the rate of 110 lb./sq. yd. for each inch of pavement unless otherwise shown on the plans.

Table 13
Compacted Lift Thickness and Required Core Height

Mixture	Mixture Compacted Lift Thickness Guidelines		Minimum Untrimmed Core	
Type	Minimum (in.)	Maximum (in.)	Height (in.) Eligible for Testing	
В	2.50	5.00	1.75	
С	2.00	4.00	1.50	
D	1.50	3.00	1.25	
F	1.25	2.50	1.25	

#### 4.7.1. Weather Conditions.

4.7.1.1. When Using a Thermal Imaging System. Place mixture when the roadway surface is dry and the roadway surface temperature is at or above the temperatures listed in Table 14A. The Engineer may restrict the Contractor from paving surface mixtures if the ambient temperature is likely to drop below 32°F within 12 hr. of paving. Place mixtures only when weather conditions and moisture conditions of the roadway surface are suitable as determined by the Engineer. Provide output data from the thermal imaging system to demonstrate to the Engineer that no recurring severe thermal segregation exists in accordance with Section 3076.4.7.3.1.2., "Thermal Imaging System."

Table 14A
Minimum Pavement Surface Temperatures

High Tomporoture	Minimum Pavement Surface Temperatures (°F)			
High-Temperature Binder Grade <sup>1</sup>	Subsurface Layers or	Surface Layers Placed in		
binder Grade	Night Paving Operations	Daylight Operations		
PG 64	35	40		
PG 70	45 <sup>2</sup>	50 <sup>2</sup>		
PG 76	45 <sup>2</sup>	50 <sup>2</sup>		

- The high-temperature binder grade refers to the high-temperature grade of the virgin asphalt binder used to produce the mixture.
- Contractors may pave at temperatures 10°F lower than these values when a chemical WMA additive is used as a compaction aid in the mixture or when using WMA.
- 4.7.1.2. When Not Using a Thermal Imaging System. When using a thermal camera instead of the thermal imaging system, place mixture when the roadway surface temperature is at or above the temperatures listed in Table 14B unless otherwise approved or as shown on the plans. Measure the roadway surface temperature with a hand-held thermal camera or infrared thermometer. The Engineer may allow mixture placement to begin before the roadway surface reaches the required temperature if conditions are such that the roadway surface will reach the required temperature within 2 hr. of beginning placement operations. Place mixtures only when weather conditions and moisture conditions of the roadway surface are suitable as determined by the Engineer. The Engineer may restrict the Contractor from paving if the ambient temperature is likely to drop below 32°F within 12 hr. of paving.

Table 14B
Minimum Pavement Surface Temperatures

Uinh Tommoreture	Minimum Pavement Surface Temperatures (°F)		
High-Temperature Binder Grade <sup>1</sup>	Subsurface Layers or Night Paving Operations	Surface Layers Placed in Daylight Operations	
PG 64	45	50	
PG 70	55 <sup>2</sup>	60 <sup>2</sup>	
PG 76	60 <sup>2</sup>	60 <sup>2</sup>	

- The high-temperature binder grade refers to the high-temperature grade of the virgin asphalt binder used to produce the mixture.
- 2. Contractors may pave at temperatures 10°F lower than these values when a chemical WMA additive is used as a compaction aid in the mixture, when using WMA, or utilizing a paving process with equipment that eliminates thermal segregation. In such cases, for each sublot and in the presence of the Engineer, use a hand-held thermal camera operated in accordance with <a href="Tex-244-F">Tex-244-F</a> to demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Engineer that the uncompacted mat has no more than 10°F of thermal segregation.

#### 4.7.2. Tack Coat.

- 4.7.2.1. **Application.** Clean the surface before placing the tack coat. The Engineer will set the rate between 0.04 and 0.10 gal. of residual asphalt per square yard of surface area. Apply a uniform tack coat at the specified rate unless otherwise directed. Apply the tack coat in a uniform manner to avoid streaks and other irregular patterns. Apply the tack coat to all surfaces that will come in contact with the subsequent HMA placement, unless otherwise directed. Allow adequate time for emulsion to break completely before placing any material. Prevent splattering of tack coat when placed adjacent to curb, gutter, and structures. Do not dilute emulsified asphalts at the terminal, in the field, or at any other location before use.
- 4.7.2.2. **Sampling.** The Engineer will obtain at least one sample of the tack coat binder per project in accordance with <u>Tex-500-C</u>, Part III, and test it to verify compliance with Item 300, "Asphalts, Oils, and Emulsions." The Engineer will notify the Contractor when the sampling will occur and will witness the collection of the sample from the asphalt distributor immediately before use.

For emulsions, the Engineer may test as often as necessary to ensure the residual of the emulsion is greater than or equal to the specification requirement in Item 300, "Asphalts, Oils, and Emulsions."

4.7.3. **Lay-Down Operations**. Use the placement temperatures in Table 15 to establish the minimum placement temperature of the mixture delivered to the paver.

Table 15
Minimum Mixture Placement Temperature

High-Temperature Binder Grade <sup>1</sup>	Minimum Placement Temperature (Before Entering Paver) <sup>2,3</sup>
PG 64	260°F
PG 70	270°F
PG 76	280°F

- The high-temperature binder grade refers to the high-temperature grade of the virgin asphalt binder used to produce the mixture.
- Minimum placement temperatures may be reduced 10°F if using a chemical WMA additive as a compaction aid.
- 3. When using WMA, the minimum placement temperature is 215°F.
- 4.7.3.1. **Thermal Profile**. Use a hand-held thermal camera or a thermal imaging system to obtain a continuous thermal profile in accordance with <u>Tex-244-F</u>. Thermal profiles are not applicable in areas described in Section 3076.4.9.3.1.4., "Miscellaneous Areas."
- 4.7.3.1.1. Thermal Segregation.
- 4.7.3.1.1.1. **Moderate**. Any areas that have a temperature differential greater than 25°F, but not exceeding 50°F, are deemed as moderate thermal segregation.
- 4.7.3.1.1.2. **Severe**. Any areas that have a temperature differential greater than 50°F are deemed as severe thermal segregation.
- 4.7.3.1.2. Thermal Imaging System. Review the output results when a thermal imaging system is used, and provide the automated report described in <a href="Tex-244-F">Tex-244-F</a> to the Engineer daily unless otherwise directed. Modify the paving process as necessary to eliminate any recurring (moderate or severe) thermal segregation identified by the thermal imaging system. The Engineer may suspend paving operations if the Contractor cannot successfully modify the paving process to eliminate recurring severe thermal segregation. Density profiles are not required and not applicable when using a thermal imaging system. Provide the Engineer with electronic copies of all daily data files that can be used with the thermal imaging system software to generate temperature profile plots daily or upon completion of the project or as requested by the Engineer.
- 4.7.3.1.3. Thermal Camera. When using a thermal camera instead of the thermal imaging system, take immediate corrective action to eliminate recurring moderate thermal segregation when a hand-held thermal camera is used. Evaluate areas with moderate thermal segregation by performing density profiles in accordance with Section 3076.4.9.3.3.2.. "Segregation (Density Profile)." Provide the Engineer with the thermal profile of every sublot within one working day of the completion of each lot. When requested by the Engineer, provide the thermal images generated using the thermal camera. Report the results of each thermal profile in accordance with Section 3076.4.2., "Reporting and Responsibilities." The Engineer will use a hand-held thermal camera to obtain a thermal profile at least once per project. No production or placement payment adjustments greater than 1.000 will be paid for any sublot that contains severe thermal segregation. Suspend operations and take immediate corrective action to eliminate severe thermal segregation unless otherwise directed. Resume operations when the Engineer determines that subsequent production will meet the requirements of this Section. Evaluate areas with severe thermal segregation by performing density profiles in accordance with Section 3076.4.9.3.3.2., "Segregation (Density Profile)." Remove and replace the material in any areas that have both severe thermal segregation and a failing result for Segregation (Density Profile) unless otherwise directed. The sublot in question may receive a production and placement payment adjustment greater than 1.000, if applicable, when the defective material is successfully removed and replaced.
- 4.7.3.2. **Windrow Operations**. Operate windrow pickup equipment so that when hot-mix is placed in windrows, substantially all the mixture deposited on the roadbed is picked up and loaded into the paver.

- 4.7.3.3. **Hauling Equipment**. Use belly dumps, live bottom, or end dump trucks to haul and transfer mixture; however, with exception of paving miscellaneous areas, end dump trucks are only allowed when used in conjunction with an MTD with remixing capability or when a thermal imaging system is used unless otherwise allowed.
- 4.7.3.4. **Screed Heaters**. Turn off screed heaters to prevent overheating of the mat if the paver stops for more than 5 min. The Engineer may evaluate the suspect area in accordance with Section 3076.4.9.3.3.4., "Recovered Asphalt Dynamic Shear Rheometer (DSR)," if the screed heater remains on for more than 5 min. while the paver is stopped.
- 4.8. **Compaction**. Compact the pavement uniformly to contain between 3.8% and 8.5% in-place air voids. Take immediate corrective action to bring the operation within 3.8% and 8.5% when the in-place air voids exceed the range of these tolerances. The Engineer will allow paving to resume when the proposed corrective action is likely to yield between 3.8% and 8.5% in-place air voids.

Obtain cores in areas placed under Exempt Production, as directed, at locations determined by the Engineer. The Engineer may test these cores and suspend operations or require removal and replacement if the inplace air voids are less than 2.7% or more than 9.9%. Areas defined in Section 3076.4.9.3.1.4., "Miscellaneous Areas," are not subject to in-place air void determination.

Furnish the type, size, and number of rollers required for compaction as approved. Use additional rollers as required to remove any roller marks. Use only water or an approved release agent on rollers, tamps, and other compaction equipment unless otherwise directed.

Use the control strip method shown in <u>Tex-207-F</u>, Part IV, on the first day of production to establish the rolling pattern that will produce the desired in-place air voids unless otherwise directed.

Use tamps to thoroughly compact the edges of the pavement along curbs, headers, and similar structures and in locations that will not allow thorough compaction with rollers. The Engineer may require rolling with a trench roller on widened areas, in trenches, and in other limited areas.

Complete all compaction operations before the pavement temperature drops below 160°F unless otherwise allowed. The Engineer may allow compaction with a light finish roller operated in static mode for pavement temperatures below 160°F.

Allow the compacted pavement to cool to 160°F or lower before opening to traffic unless otherwise directed. Sprinkle the finished mat with water or limewater, when directed, to expedite opening the roadway to traffic.

4.9. **Acceptance Plan**. Payment adjustments for the material will be in accordance with Article 3076.6., "Payment."

Sample and test the hot-mix on a lot and sublot basis. Suspend production until test results or other information indicates to the satisfaction of the Engineer that the next material produced or placed will result in payment factors of at least 1.000, if the production payment factor given in Section 3076.6.1., "Production Payment Adjustment Factors," for two consecutive lots or the placement pay factor given in Section 3076.6.2., "Placement Payment Adjustment Factors," for two consecutive lots is below 1.000.

4.9.1. **Referee Testing**. The Materials and Tests Division is the referee laboratory. The Contractor may request referee testing if a "remove and replace" condition is determined based on the Engineer's test results, or if the differences between Contractor and Engineer test results exceed the maximum allowable difference shown in Table 11 and the differences cannot be resolved. The Contractor may also request referee testing if the Engineer's test results require suspension of production and the Contractor's test results are within specification limits. Make the request within five working days after receiving test results and cores from the Engineer. Referee tests will be performed only on the sublot in question and only for the particular tests in question. Allow 10 working days from the time the referee laboratory receives the samples for test results to

be reported. The Department may require the Contractor to reimburse the Department for referee tests if more than three referee tests per project are required and the Engineer's test results are closer to the referee test results than the Contractor's test results.

The Materials and Tests Division will determine the laboratory-molded density based on the molded specific gravity and the maximum theoretical specific gravity of the referee sample. The in-place air voids will be determined based on the bulk specific gravity of the cores, as determined by the referee laboratory and the Engineer's average maximum theoretical specific gravity for the lot. With the exception of "remove and replace" conditions, referee test results are final and will establish payment adjustment factors for the sublot in question. The Contractor may decline referee testing and accept the Engineer's test results when the placement payment adjustment factor for any sublot results in a "remove and replace" condition. Placement sublots subject to be removed and replaced will be further evaluated in accordance with Section 3076.6.2.2., "Placement Sublots Subject to Removal and Replacement."

#### 4.9.2. **Production Acceptance**.

4.9.2.1. **Production Lot**. A production lot consists of four equal sublots. The default quantity for Lot 1 is 1,000 tons; however, when requested by the Contractor, the Engineer may increase the quantity for Lot 1 to no more than 4,000 tons. The Engineer will select subsequent lot sizes based on the anticipated daily production such that approximately three to four sublots are produced each day. The lot size will be between 1,000 tons and 4,000 tons. The Engineer may change the lot size before the Contractor begins any lot.

If the optimum asphalt binder content for JMF2 is more than 0.5% lower than the optimum asphalt binder content for JMF1, the Engineer may perform or require the Contractor to perform <u>Tex-226-F</u> on Lot 1 to confirm the indirect tensile strength does not exceed 200 psi. Take corrective action to bring the mixture within specification compliance if the indirect tensile strength exceeds 200 psi unless otherwise directed.

- 4.9.2.1.1. **Incomplete Production Lots**. If a lot is begun but cannot be completed, such as on the last day of production or in other circumstances deemed appropriate, the Engineer may close the lot. Adjust the payment for the incomplete lot in accordance with Section 3076.6.1., "Production Payment Adjustment Factors." Close all lots within five working days unless otherwise allowed.
- 4.9.2.2. **Production Sampling**.
- 4.9.2.2.1. **Mixture Sampling**. Obtain hot-mix samples from trucks at the plant in accordance with <u>Tex-222-F</u>. The sampler will split each sample into three equal portions in accordance with <u>Tex-200-F</u> and label these portions as "Contractor," "Engineer," and "Referee." The Engineer will perform or witness the sample splitting and take immediate possession of the samples labeled "Engineer" and "Referee." The Engineer will maintain the custody of the samples labeled "Engineer" and "Referee" until the Department's testing is completed.
- 4.9.2.2.1.1. **Random Sample**. At the beginning of the project, the Engineer will select random numbers for all production sublots. Determine sample locations in accordance with <u>Tex-225-F</u>. Take one sample for each sublot at the randomly selected location. The Engineer will perform or witness the sampling of production sublots.
- 4.9.2.2.1.2. **Blind Sample**. For one sublot per lot, the Engineer will obtain and test a "blind" sample instead of the random sample collected by the Contractor. Test either the "blind" or the random sample; however, referee testing (if applicable) will be based on a comparison of results from the "blind" sample. The location of the Engineer's "blind" sample will not be disclosed to the Contractor. The Engineer's "blind" sample may be randomly selected in accordance with <a href="Tex-225-F">Tex-225-F</a> for any sublot or selected at the discretion of the Engineer. The Engineer will use the Contractor's split sample for sublots not sampled by the Engineer.
- 4.9.2.2.2. Informational Shear Bond Strength Testing. Select one random sublot from Lot 2 or higher for shear bond strength testing. Obtain full depth cores in accordance with <u>Tex-249-F</u>. Label the cores with the Control Section Job (CSJ), producer of the tack coat, mix type, shot rate, lot, and sublot number and provide to the

Engineer. The Engineer will ship the cores to the Materials and Tests Division or district laboratory for shear bond strength testing. Results from these tests will not be used for specification compliance.

4.9.2.2.3. **Asphalt Binder Sampling**. Obtain a 1-qt. sample of the asphalt binder witnessed by the Engineer for each lot of mixture produced. The Contractor will notify the Engineer when the sampling will occur. Obtain the sample at approximately the same time the mixture random sample is obtained. Sample from a port located immediately upstream from the mixing drum or pug mill and upstream from the introduction of any additives in accordance with <a href="Tex-500-C">Tex-500-C</a>, Part II. Label the can with the corresponding lot and sublot numbers, producer, producer facility location, grade, district, date sampled, and project information including highway and CSJ. The Engineer will retain these samples for one year. The Engineer may also obtain independent samples. If obtaining an independent asphalt binder sample and upon request of the Contractor, the Engineer will split a sample of the asphalt binder with the Contractor.

At least once per project, the Engineer will collect split samples of each binder grade and source used. The Engineer will submit one split sample to MTD to verify compliance with Item 300, "Asphalts, Oils, and Emulsions" and will retain the other split sample for one year.

4.9.2.3. **Production Testing**. The Contractor and Engineer must perform production tests in accordance with Table 16. The Contractor has the option to verify the Engineer's test results on split samples provided by the Engineer. Determine compliance with operational tolerances listed in Table 11 for all sublots.

Take immediate corrective action if the Engineer's laboratory-molded density on any sublot is less than 95.0% or greater than 97.0% to bring the mixture within these tolerances. The Engineer may suspend operations if the Contractor's corrective actions do not produce acceptable results. The Engineer will allow production to resume when the proposed corrective action is likely to yield acceptable results.

The Engineer may allow alternate methods for determining the asphalt binder content and aggregate gradation if the aggregate mineralogy is such that <u>Tex-236-F</u>, Part I does not yield reliable results. Provide evidence that results from <u>Tex-236-F</u>, Part I are not reliable before requesting permission to use an alternate method unless otherwise directed. Use the applicable test procedure as directed if an alternate test method is allowed.

Table 16
Production and Placement Testing Frequency

Description	Test Method	Minimum Contractor Testing Frequency	Minimum Engineer Testing Frequency	
Individual % retained for #8 sieve and larger				
Individual % retained for sieves smaller than	<u>rex-200-1</u> or	1 per sublot	1 per 12 sublots <sup>1</sup>	
#8 and larger than #200	Tex-236-F	i poi odbiot		
% passing the #200 sieve	<u> 10X 200 1</u>			
Laboratory-molded density				
Laboratory-molded bulk specific gravity	<u>Tex-207-F</u>	N/A	1 per sublot <sup>1</sup>	
In-place air voids		14// (		
VMA	<u>Tex-204-F</u>			
Segregation (density profile) <sup>2</sup>	<u>Tex-207-F</u> , Part V	1 per sublot		
Longitudinal joint density	Tex-207-F, Part VII	•	1 per project	
Moisture content	Tex-212-F, Part II	When directed		
Theoretical maximum specific (Rice) gravity	<u>Tex-227-F</u>	N/A	1 per sublot1	
Asphalt binder content	<u>Tex-236-F</u>	1 per sublot	1 per lot <sup>1</sup>	
Hamburg Wheel test	<u>Tex-242-F</u>	N/A		
Recycled Asphalt Shingles (RAS) <sup>3</sup>	Tex-217-F, Part III	N/A		
Thermal profile <sup>2</sup>	<u>Tex-244-F</u>	1 per sublot		
Asphalt binder sampling and testing	Tex-500-C, Part II	1 per lot		
		(sample only) <sup>4</sup>	1 per project	
Tack coat sampling and testing	Tex-500-C, Part III	N/A		
Boil test <sup>5</sup>	<u>Tex-530-C</u>	1 per lot		
Shear Bond Strength Test <sup>6</sup>	Tex-249-F	1 per project (sample		
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- 1. For production defined in Section 3076.4.9.4., "Exempt Production," the Engineer will test one per day if 100 tons or more are produced. For Exempt Production, no testing is required when less than 100 tons are produced.
- Not required when a thermal imaging system is used.
- 3. Testing performed by the Materials and Tests Division or designated laboratory.
- 4. Obtain witnessed by the Engineer. The Engineer will retain these samples for one year.
- 5. The Engineer may reduce or waive the sampling and testing requirements based on a satisfactory test history.
- 6. Testing performed by the Materials and Tests Division or District for informational purposes only.
- 4.9.2.4. **Operational Tolerances**. Control the production process within the operational tolerances listed in Table 11. When production is suspended, the Engineer will allow production to resume when test results or other information indicates the next mixture produced will be within the operational tolerances.
- 4.9.2.4.1. **Gradation**. Suspend operation and take corrective action if any aggregate is retained on the maximum sieve size shown in Table 8. A sublot is defined as out of tolerance if either the Engineer's or the Contractor's test results are out of operational tolerance. Suspend production when test results for gradation exceed the operational tolerances in Table 11 for three consecutive sublots on the same sieve or four consecutive sublots on any sieve unless otherwise directed. The consecutive sublots may be from more than one lot.
- 4.9.2.4.2. **Asphalt Binder Content.** A sublot is defined as out of operational tolerance if either the Engineer's or the Contractor's test results exceed the values listed in Table 11. No production or placement payment adjustments greater than 1.000 will be paid for any sublot that is out of operational tolerance for asphalt binder content. Suspend production and shipment of the mixture if the Engineer's or the Contractor's asphalt binder content deviates from the current JMF by more than 0.5% for any sublot.
- 4.9.2.4.3. **Voids in Mineral Aggregates (VMA)**. The Engineer will determine the VMA for every sublot. For sublots when the Engineer does not determine asphalt binder content, the Engineer will use the asphalt binder content results from QC testing performed by the Contractor to determine VMA.

Take immediate corrective action if the VMA value for any sublot is less than the minimum VMA requirement for production listed in Table 8. Suspend production and shipment of the mixture if the Engineer's VMA results on two consecutive sublots are below the minimum VMA requirement for production listed in Table 8. No production or placement payment adjustments greater than 1.000 will be paid for any sublot that does not

meet the minimum VMA requirement for production listed in Table 8 based on the Engineer's VMA determination.

Suspend production and shipment of the mixture if the Engineer's VMA result is more than 0.5% below the minimum VMA requirement for production listed in Table 8. In addition to suspending production, the Engineer may require removal and replacement or may allow the sublot to be left in place without payment.

4.9.2.4.4. Hamburg Wheel Test. The Engineer may perform a Hamburg Wheel test at any time during production, including when the boil test indicates a change in quality from the materials submitted for JMF1. In addition to testing production samples, the Engineer may obtain cores and perform Hamburg Wheel tests on any areas of the roadway where rutting is observed. Suspend production until further Hamburg Wheel tests meet the specified values when the production or core samples fail the Hamburg Wheel test criteria in Table 10. Core samples, if taken, will be obtained from the center of the finished mat or other areas excluding the vehicle wheel paths. The Engineer may require up to the entire sublot of any mixture failing the Hamburg Wheel test to be removed and replaced at the Contractor's expense.

If the Department's or Department approved laboratory's Hamburg Wheel test results in a "remove and replace" condition, the Contractor may request that the Department confirm the results by re-testing the failing material. The Materials and Tests Division will perform the Hamburg Wheel tests and determine the final disposition of the material in question based on the Department's test results.

- 4.9.2.5. Individual Loads of Hot-Mix. The Engineer can reject individual truckloads of hot-mix. When a load of hot-mix is rejected for reasons other than temperature, contamination, or excessive uncoated particles, the Contractor may request that the rejected load be tested. Make this request within 4 hr. of rejection. The Engineer will sample and test the mixture. If test results are within the operational tolerances shown in Table 11, payment will be made for the load. If test results are not within operational tolerances, no payment will be made for the load.
- 4.9.3. Placement Acceptance.
- 4.9.3.1. **Placement Lot.** A placement lot consists of four placement sublots. A placement sublot consists of the area placed during a production sublot.
- 4.9.3.1.1. **Lot 1 Placement.** Placement payment adjustments greater than 1.000 for Lot 1 will be in accordance with Section 3076.6.2., "Placement Payment Adjustment Factors"; however, no placement adjustment less than 1.000 will be assessed for any sublot placed in Lot 1 when the in-place air voids are greater than or equal to 2.7% and less than or equal to 9.9%. Remove and replace any sublot with in-place air voids less than 2.7% or greater than 9.9%.
- 4.9.3.1.2. **Incomplete Placement Lots**. An incomplete placement lot consists of the area placed as described in Section 3076.4.9.2.1.1., "Incomplete Production Lots," excluding areas defined in Section 3076.4.9.3.1.4., "Miscellaneous Areas." Placement sampling is required if the random sample plan for production resulted in a sample being obtained from an incomplete production sublot.
- 4.9.3.1.3. **Shoulders, Ramps, Etc.** Shoulders, ramps, intersections, acceleration lanes, deceleration lanes, and turn lanes are subject to in-place air void determination and payment adjustments unless designated on the plans as not eligible for in-place air void determination. Intersections may be considered miscellaneous areas when determined by the Engineer.
- 4.9.3.1.4. **Miscellaneous Areas**. Miscellaneous areas include areas that typically involve significant handwork or discontinuous paving operations, such as temporary detours, driveways, mailbox turnouts, crossovers, gores, spot level-up areas, and other similar areas. Temporary detours are subject to in-place air void determination when shown on the plans. Miscellaneous areas also include level-ups and thin overlays when the layer thickness specified on the plans is less than the minimum untrimmed core height eligible for testing shown in Table 13. The specified layer thickness is based on the rate of 110 lb./sq. yd. for each inch of

pavement unless another rate is shown on the plans. When "level up" is listed as part of the item bid description code, a payment adjustment factor of 1.000 will be assigned for all placement sublots as described in Article 3076.6, "Payment." Miscellaneous areas are not eligible for random placement sampling locations. Compact miscellaneous areas in accordance with Section 3076.4.8., "Compaction." Miscellaneous areas are not subject to in-place air void determination, thermal profiles testing, segregation (density profiles), or longitudinal joint density evaluations.

4.9.3.2. Placement Sampling. The Engineer will select random numbers for all placement sublots at the beginning of the project. The Engineer will provide the Contractor with the placement random numbers immediately after the sublot is completed. Mark the roadway location at the completion of each sublot and record the station number. Determine one random sample location for each placement sublot in accordance with <a href="Tex-225-F">Tex-225-F</a>. Adjust the random sample location by no more than necessary to achieve a 2-ft. clearance if the location is within 2 ft. of a joint or pavement edge.

Shoulders, ramps, intersections, acceleration lanes, deceleration lanes, and turn lanes are always eligible for selection as a random sample location; however, if a random sample location falls on one of these areas and the area is designated on the plans as not subject to in-place air void determination, cores will not be taken for the sublot and a 1.000 pay factor will be assigned to that sublot.

Provide the equipment and means to obtain and trim roadway cores on site. On-site is defined as in close proximity to where the cores are taken. Obtain the cores within one working day of the time the placement sublot is completed unless otherwise approved. Obtain two 6-in. diameter cores side-by-side from within 1 ft. of the random location provided for the placement sublot. For Type D and Type F mixtures, 4-in. diameter cores are allowed. Mark the cores for identification, measure and record the untrimmed core height, and provide the information to the Engineer. The Engineer will witness the coring operation and measurement of the core thickness. Visually inspect each core and verify that the current paving layer is bonded to the underlying layer. Take corrective action if an adequate bond does not exist between the current and underlying layer to ensure that an adequate bond will be achieved during subsequent placement operations.

Trim the cores immediately after obtaining the cores from the roadway in accordance with <a href="Tex-251-F">Tex-251-F</a> if the core heights meet the minimum untrimmed value listed in Table 13. Trim the cores on site in the presence of the Engineer. Use a permanent marker or paint pen to record the lot and sublot numbers on each core as well as the designation as Core A or B. The Engineer may require additional information to be marked on the core and may choose to sign or initial the core. The Engineer will take custody of the cores immediately after witnessing the trimming of the cores and will retain custody of the cores until the Department's testing is completed. Before turning the trimmed cores over to the Engineer, the Contractor may wrap the trimmed cores or secure them in a manner that will reduce the risk of possible damage occurring during transport by the Engineer. After testing, the Engineer will return the cores to the Contractor.

The Engineer may have the cores transported back to the Department's laboratory at the HMA plant via the Contractor's haul truck or other designated vehicle. In such cases where the cores will be out of the Engineer's possession during transport, the Engineer will use Department-provided security bags and the Roadway Core Custody protocol located at http://www.txdot.gov/business/specifications.htm to provide a secure means and process that protects the integrity of the cores during transport.

Decide whether to include the pair of cores in the air void determination for that sublot if the core height before trimming is less than the minimum untrimmed value shown in Table 13. Trim the cores as described above before delivering to the Engineer if electing to have the cores included in the air void determination. Deliver untrimmed cores to the Engineer and inform the Engineer of the decision to not have the cores included in air void determination if electing to not have the cores included in air void determination. The placement pay factor for the sublot will be 1.000 if cores will not be included in air void determination.

Instead of the Contractor trimming the cores on site immediately after coring, the Engineer and the Contractor may mutually agree to have the trimming operations performed at an alternate location such as a field laboratory or other similar location. In such cases, the Engineer will take possession of the cores

immediately after they are obtained from the roadway and will retain custody of the cores until testing is completed. Either the Department or Contractor representative may perform trimming of the cores. The Engineer will witness all trimming operations in cases where the Contractor representative performs the trimming operation.

Dry the core holes and tack the sides and bottom immediately after obtaining the cores. Fill the hole with the same type of mixture and properly compact the mixture. Repair core holes with other methods when approved.

- 4.9.3.3. **Placement Testing**. Perform placement tests in accordance with Table 16. After the Engineer returns the cores, the Contractor may test the cores to verify the Engineer's test results for in-place air voids. The allowable differences between the Contractor's and Engineer's test results are listed in Table 11.
- 4.9.3.3.1. In-Place Air Voids. The Engineer will measure in-place air voids in accordance with Tex-207-F and Tex-227-F. Before drying to a constant weight, cores may be pre-dried using a CoreDry or similar vacuum device to remove excess moisture. The Engineer will average the values obtained for all sublots in the production lot to determine the theoretical maximum specific gravity. The Engineer will use the average air void content for in-place air voids.

The Engineer will use the vacuum method to seal the core if required by <u>Tex-207-F</u>. The Engineer will use the test results from the unsealed core to determine the placement payment adjustment factor if the sealed core yields a higher specific gravity than the unsealed core. After determining the in-place air void content, the Engineer will return the cores and provide test results to the Contractor.

4.9.3.3.2. **Segregation (Density Profile)**. Test for segregation using density profiles in accordance with <u>Tex-207-F</u>, Part V when using a thermal camera insead of the thermal imaging system. Density profiles are not required and are not applicable when using a thermal imaging system. Density profiles are not applicable in areas described in Section 3076.4.9.3.1.4., "Miscellaneous Areas."

Perform a minimum of one density profile per sublot. Perform additional density profiles when any of the following conditions occur, unless otherwise approved:

- the paver stops due to lack of material being delivered to the paving operations and the temperature of the uncompacted mat before the initial break down rolling is less than the temperatures shown in Table 17;
- areas that are identified by either the Contractor or the Engineer with thermal segregation;
- any visibly segregated areas that exist.

Table 17
Mimimum Uncompacted Mat Temperature Requiring a Segregation Profile

High-Temperature Binder Grade <sup>1</sup>	Minimum Temperature of the Uncompacted Mat Allowed Before Initial Break Down Rolling <sup>2,3,4</sup>			
PG 64	<250°F	1		
PG 70	<260°F	1		
PG 76	<270°F	1		

- The high-temperature binder grade refers to the high-temperature grade of the virgin asphalt binder used to produce the mixture.
- Segregation profiles are required in areas with moderate and severe thermal segregation as described in Section 3076.4.7.3.1.3.
- 3. Minimum uncompacted mat temperature requiring a segregation profile may be reduced 10°F if using a chemical WMA additive as a compaction aid.
- When using WMA, the minimum uncompacted mat temperature requiring a segregation profile is 215°F.

Provide the Engineer with the density profile of every sublot in the lot within one working day of the completion of each lot. Report the results of each density profile in accordance with Section 3076.4.2., "Reporting and Responsibilities."

The density profile is considered failing if it exceeds the tolerances in Table 18. No production or placement payment adjustments greater than 1.000 will be paid for any sublot that contains a failing density profile. When a hand-held thermal camera is used instead of a thermal imaging system, the Engineer will measure the density profile at least once per project. The Engineer's density profile results will be used when available. The Engineer may require the Contractor to remove and replace the area in question if the area fails the density profile and has surface irregularities as defined in Section 3076.4.9.3.3.5., "Irregularities." The sublot in question may receive a production and placement payment adjustment greater than 1.000, if applicable, when the defective material is successfully removed and replaced.

Investigate density profile failures and take corrective actions during production and placement to eliminate the segregation. Suspend production if 2 consecutive density profiles fail unless otherwise approved. Resume production after the Engineer approves changes to production or placement methods.

Table 18
Segregation (Density Profile) Acceptance Criteria

Mixture Type	Maximum Allowable Density Range (Highest to Lowest)	Maximum Allowable Density Range (Average to Lowest)
Type B	8.0 pcf	5.0 pcf
Type C, Type D & Type F	6.0 pcf	3.0 pcf

#### 4.9.3.3.3. Longitudinal Joint Density.

4.9.3.3.3.1. **Informational Tests**. Perform joint density evaluations while establishing the rolling pattern and verify that the joint density is no more than 3.0 pcf below the density taken at or near the center of the mat. Adjust the rolling pattern, if needed, to achieve the desired joint density. Perform additional joint density evaluations, at least once per sublot, unless otherwise directed.

4.9.3.3.3.2. **Record Tests**. Perform a joint density evaluation for each sublot at each pavement edge that is or will become a longitudinal joint. Joint density evaluations are not applicable in areas described in Section 3076.4.9.3.1.4., "Miscellaneous Areas." Determine the joint density in accordance with <u>Tex-207-F</u>, Part VII. Record the joint density information and submit results on Department forms to the Engineer. The evaluation is considered failing if the joint density is more than 3.0 pcf below the density taken at the core random sample location and the correlated joint density is less than 90.0%. The Engineer will make independent joint density verification at least once per project and may make independent joint density verifications at the random sample locations. The Engineer's joint density test results will be used when available.

Provide the Engineer with the joint density of every sublot in the lot within one working day of the completion of each lot. Report the results of each joint density in accordance with Section 3076.4.2., "Reporting and Responsibilities."

Investigate joint density failures and take corrective actions during production and placement to improve the joint density. Suspend production if the evaluations on two consecutive sublots fail unless otherwise approved. Resume production after the Engineer approves changes to production or placement methods.

- 4.9.3.3.4. Recovered Asphalt Dynamic Shear Rheometer (DSR). The Engineer may take production samples or cores from suspect areas of the project to determine recovered asphalt properties. Asphalt binders with an aging ratio greater than 3.5 do not meet the requirements for recovered asphalt properties and may be deemed defective when tested and evaluated by the Materials and Tests Division. The aging ratio is the DSR value of the extracted binder divided by the DSR value of the original unaged binder. Obtain DSR values in accordance with AASHTO T 315 at the specified high temperature performance grade of the asphalt. The Engineer may require removal and replacement of the defective material at the Contractor's expense. The asphalt binder will be recovered for testing from production samples or cores in accordance with Tex-211-F.
- 4.9.3.3.5. Irregularities. Identify and correct irregularities including segregation, rutting, raveling, flushing, fat spots, mat slippage, irregular color, irregular texture, roller marks, tears, gouges, streaks, uncoated aggregate particles, or broken aggregate particles. The Engineer may also identify irregularities, and in such cases, the Engineer will promptly notify the Contractor. If the Engineer determines that the irregularity will adversely affect pavement performance, the Engineer may require the Contractor to remove and replace (at the Contractor's expense) areas of the pavement that contain irregularities. The Engineer may also require the Contractor to remove and replace (at the Contractor's expense) areas where the mixture does not bond to the existing pavement.

If irregularities are detected, the Engineer may require the Contractor to immediately suspend operations or may allow the Contractor to continue operations for no more than one day while the Contractor is taking appropriate corrective action.

- 4.9.4. **Exempt Production.** The Engineer may deem the mixture as exempt production for the following conditions:
  - anticipated daily production is less than 500 tons;
  - total production for the project is less than 5,000 tons;
  - when mutually agreed between the Engineer and the Contractor; or
  - when shown on the plans.

For exempt production, the Contractor is relieved of all production and placement sampling and testing requirements, except for coring operations when required by the Engineer. The production and placement pay factors are 1.000 if the specification requirements listed below are met, all other specification requirements are met, and the Engineer performs acceptance tests for production and placement listed in Table 16 when 100 tons or more per day are produced.

- produce, haul, place, and compact the mixture in compliance with the specification and as directed;
- control mixture production to yield a laboratory-molded density that is within ±1.0% of the target laboratory-molded density as tested by the Engineer;
- compact the mixture in accordance with Section 3076.4.8., "Compaction;" and
- when a thermal imaging system is not used, the Engineer may perform segregation (density profiles) and thermal profiles in accordance with the specification.
- 4.9.5. **Ride Quality**. Measure ride quality in accordance with Item 585, "Ride Quality for Pavement Surfaces," unless otherwise shown on the plans.

#### 5. MEASUREMENT

- 5.1. **Dense Graded Hot-Mix Asphalt.** Hot mix will be measured by the ton of composite hot-mix, which includes asphalt, aggregate, and additives. Measure the weight on scales in accordance with Item 520, "Weighing and Measuring Equipment."
- 5.2. Tack Coat. Tack coat will be measured at the applied temperature by strapping the tank before and after road application and determining the net volume in gallons from the calibrated distributor. The Engineer will witness all strapping operations for volume determination. All tack, including emulsions, will be measured by the gallon applied.

The Engineer may allow the use of a metering device to determine asphalt volume used and application rate if the device is accurate within 1.5% of the strapped volume.

#### 6. PAYMENT

The work performed and materials furnished in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under Section 3076.5.1, "Measurement," will be paid for at the unit bid price for "Dense Graded Hot-Mix Asphalt" of the mixture type, SAC, and binder specified. These prices are full compensation for surface preparation, materials, placement, equipment, labor, tools, and incidentals.

The work performed and materials furnished in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under Article 3076.5.2, "Measurement," will be paid for at the unit bid price for "Tack Coat" of the tack coat provided. These prices are full compensation for materials, placement, equipment, labor, tools, and incidentals. Payment adjustments will be applied as determined in this Item; however, a payment adjustment factor of 1.000 will be assigned for all placement sublots for "level ups" only when "level up" is listed as part of the item bid description code. A payment adjustment factor of 1.000 will be assigned to all production and placement sublots when "exempt" is listed as part of the item bid description code, and all testing requirements are met.

Payment for each sublot, including applicable payment adjustments greater than 1.000, will only be paid for sublots when the Contractor supplies the Engineer with the required documentation for production and placement QC/QA, thermal profiles, segregation density profiles, and longitudinal joint densities in accordance with Section 3076.4.2., "Reporting and Responsibilities." When a thermal imaging system is used, documentation is not required for thermal profiles or segregation density profiles on individual sublots; however, the thermal imaging system automated reports described in Tex-244-F are required.

Trial batches will not be paid for unless they are included in pavement work approved by the Department.

Payment adjustment for ride quality will be determined in accordance with Item 585, "Ride Quality for Payement Surfaces."

6.1. **Production Payment Adjustment Factors**. The production payment adjustment factor is based on the laboratory-molded density using the Engineer's test results. The bulk specific gravities of the samples from each sublot will be divided by the Engineer's maximum theoretical specific gravity for the sublot. The individual sample densities for the sublot will be averaged to determine the production payment adjustment factor in accordance with Table 19 for each sublot, using the deviation from the target laboratory-molded density defined in Table 9. The production payment adjustment factor for completed lots will be the average of the payment adjustment factors for the four sublots sampled within that lot.

Table 19
Production Payment Adjustment Factors for Laboratory-Molded Density<sup>1</sup>

Absolute Deviation from	Production Payment Adjustment Factor	
Target Laboratory-Molded Density	(Target Laboratory-Molded Density)	
0.0	1.050	
0.1	1.050	
0.2	1.050	
0.3	1.044	
0.4	1.038	
0.5	1.031	
0.6	1.025	
0.7	1.019	
0.8	1.013	
0.9	1.006	
1.0	1.000	
1.1	0.965	
1.2	0.930	
1.3	0.895	
1.4	0.860	
1.5	0.825	
1.6	0.790	
1.7	0.755	
1.8	0.720	
> 1.8	Remove and replace	

If the Engineer's laboratory-molded density on any sublot is less than 95.0% or greater than 98.0%, take immediate corrective action to bring the mixture within these tolerances. The Engineer may suspend operations if the Contractor's corrective actions do not produce acceptable results. The Engineer will allow production to resume when the proposed corrective action is likely to yield acceptable results.

6.1.1. **Payment for Incomplete Production Lots**. Production payment adjustments for incomplete lots, described under Section 3076.4.9.2.1.1., "Incomplete Production Lots," will be calculated using the average production payment factors from all sublots sampled.

A production payment factor of 1.000 will be assigned to any lot when the random sampling plan did not result in collection of any samples within the first sublot.

- 6.1.2. **Production Sublots Subject to Removal and Replacement**. If after referee testing, the laboratory-molded density for any sublot results in a "remove and replace" condition as listed in Table 19, the Engineer may require removal and replacement or may allow the sublot to be left in place without payment. The Engineer may also accept the sublot in accordance with Section 3076.5.3.1., "Acceptance of Defective or Unauthorized Work." Replacement material meeting the requirements of this Item will be paid for in accordance with this Section.
- 6.2. Placement Payment Adjustment Factors. The placement payment adjustment factor is based on in-place air voids using the Engineer's test results. The bulk specific gravities of the cores from each sublot will be divided by the Engineer's average maximum theoretical specific gravity for the lot. The individual core densities for the sublot will be averaged to determine the placement payment adjustment factor in accordance with Table 20 for each sublot that requires in-place air void measurement. A placement payment adjustment factor of 1.000 will be assigned to the entire sublot when the random sample location falls in an area designated on the plans as not subject to in-place air void determination. A placement payment adjustment factor of 1.000 will be assigned to quantities placed in areas described in Section 3076.4.9.3.1.4., "Miscellaneous Areas." The placement payment adjustment factor for completed lots will be the average of the placement payment adjustment factors for up to four sublots within that lot.

Table 20
Placement Payment Adjustment Factors for In-Place Air Voids

In-Place	Placement Pay	In-Place	Placement Pay
Air Voids	Adjustment Factor	Air Voids	Adjustment Factor
< 2.7	Remove and Replace	6.4	1.042
2.7	0.710	6.5	1.040
2.8	0.740	6.6	1.038
2.9	0.770	6.7	1.036
3.0	0.800	6.8	1.034
3.1	0.830	6.9	1.032
3.2	0.860	7.0	1.030
3.3	0.890	7.1	1.028
3.4	0.920	7.2	1.026
3.5	0.950	7.3	1.024
3.6	0.980	7.4	1.022
3.7	0.998	7.5	1.020
3.8	1.002	7.6	1.018
3.9	1.006	7.7	1.016
4.0	1.010	7.8	1.014
4.1	1.014	7.9	1.012
4.2	1.018	8.0	1.010
4.3	1.022	8.1	1.008
4.4	1.026	8.2	1.006
4.5	1.030	8.3	1.004
4.6	1.034	8.4	1.002
4.7	1.038	8.5	1.000
4.8	1.042	8.6	0.998
4.9	1.046	8.7	0.996
5.0	1.050	8.8	0.994
5.1	1.050	8.9	0.992
5.2	1.050	9.0	0.990
5.3	1.050	9.1	0.960
5.4	1.050	9.2	0.930
5.5	1.050	9.3	0.900
5.6	1.050	9.4	0.870
5.7	1.050	9.5	0.840
5.8	1.050	9.6	0.810
5.9	1.050	9.7	0.780
6.0	1.050	9.8	0.750
6.1	1.048	9.9	0.720
6.2	1.046	> 9.9	Remove and Replace
6.3	1.044		

6.2.1. **Payment for Incomplete Placement Lots**. Payment adjustments for incomplete placement lots described under Section 3076.4.9.3.1.2., "Incomplete Placement Lots," will be calculated using the average of the placement payment factors from all sublots sampled and sublots where the random location falls in an area designated on the plans as not eligible for in-place air void determination.

If the random sampling plan results in production samples, but not in placement samples, the random core location and placement adjustment factor for the sublot will be determined by applying the placement random number to the length of the sublot placed.

If the random sampling plan results in placement samples, but not in production samples, no placement adjustment factor will apply for that sublot placed.

A placement payment adjustment factor of 1.000 will be assigned to any lot when the random sampling plan did not result in collection of any production samples.

Placement Sublots Subject to Removal and Replacement. If after referee testing, the placement payment adjustment factor for any sublot results in a "remove and replace" condition as listed in Table 20, the Engineer will choose the location of two cores to be taken within 3 ft. of the original failing core location. The Contractor will obtain the cores in the presence of the Engineer. The Engineer will take immediate possession of the untrimmed cores and submit the untrimmed cores to the Materials and Tests Division, where they will be trimmed if necessary and tested for bulk specific gravity within 10 working days of receipt.

The bulk specific gravity of the cores from each sublot will be divided by the Engineer's average maximum theoretical specific gravity for the lot. The individual core densities for the sublot will be averaged to determine the new payment adjustment factor of the sublot in question. If the new payment adjustment factor is 0.700 or greater, the new payment adjustment factor will apply to that sublot. If the new payment adjustment factor is less than 0.700, no payment will be made for the sublot. Remove and replace the failing sublot, or the Engineer may allow the sublot to be left in place without payment. The Engineer may also accept the sublot in accordance with Section 3076.5.3.1., "Acceptance of Defective or Unauthorized Work." Replacement material meeting the requirements of this Item will be paid for in accordance with this Section.

6.3. **Total Adjusted Pay Calculation**. Total adjusted pay (TAP) will be based on the applicable payment adjustment factors for production and placement for each lot.

TAP = (A+B)/2

#### where:

 $A = Bid price \times production lot quantity \times average payment adjustment factor for the production lot$  $<math>B = Bid price \times placement lot quantity \times average payment adjustment factor for the placement lot + (bid price \times quantity placed in miscellaneous areas <math>\times 1.000$ )

Production lot quantity = Quantity actually placed - quantity left in place without payment

Placement lot quantity = Quantity actually placed - quantity left in place without payment - quantity placed in miscellaneous areas

# FORT BEND COUNTY TOLL ROAD AUTHORITY / FORT BEND GRAND PARKWAY TOLL ROAD AUTHORITY

## SPECIAL SPECIFICATION 9000 Concrete Bridge Deck and Pavement Saw Grooving

#### 1. DESCRIPTION

Sawcut (groove) concrete bridge deck and concrete pavement to remediate a finished surface.

### 2. EQUIPMENT

Use equipment within the maximum allowed legal load or provide analysis showing equipment will not overstress the bridge. Use machines equipped with dust controls measures and shielding to prevent flying debris from leaving the work area.

2.1. Saw Grooving. Use sawing equipment capable of cutting grooves in completed bridge slabs and top slabs of direct traffic culverts. Provide grooves that are 1/8 to 3/16 in. deep, nominally 1/8 in. wide, and spaced at 1 in. Use sawing equipment capable of cutting grooves in hardened concrete to within 18 in. of the barrier rail or curb.

#### 3. CONSTRUCTION

Protect bridge joints, drains, and other appurtenances from surfacing operations. Following surfacing, clean the surface to remove all cuttings and debris. Dispose of all cuttings and debris properly.

Approval to begin work is not an endorsement of proposed equipment. If equipment fails to meet specification requirements, replacing equipment may be required. No additional time or compensation to adjust or replace equipment will be granted.

Perform the sawcutting (grooving) as specified in accordance with the following listed methods:

3.1 Sawing Grooving. Saw-cut transversely the ground areas to provide grooved surface in accordance with Section 9000.2.1, "Sawing Grooving," unless otherwise directed.

Cut grooves into concrete surface perpendicular to the structure centerline. Cut grooves across the slab to within 18 in. of the barrier rail, curb, or median divider. At skewed metal expansion joints in bridge slabs, adjust groove cutting by using narrow-width cutting heads so all grooves end within 6 in. of the joint, measured perpendicular to the centerline of the metal joint. Leave no ungrooved surface wider than 6 in. adjacent to either side of the joint. Ensure the minimum distance to the first groove, measured perpendicular to the edge of the concrete joint or from the junction between the concrete and the metal leg of the joint, is 1 in. Cut grooves continuously across construction joints or other joints in the concrete less than 1/2 in. wide. Apply the same procedure described above where barrier rails, curbs, or median dividers are not parallel to the

structure centerline to maintain the 18-in. maximum dimension from the end of the grooves to the gutter line. Cut grooves continuously across formed concrete joints.

#### 4. MEASUREMENT

This Item will be measured by the square yard of concrete bridge deck or concrete pavement surfaced.

#### 5. PAYMENT

The work performed and equipment furnished in accordance with the Item and measured as provided under "Measurement" will be paid for at the unit price bid for "Saw Grooving." This price is full compensation for removing all material to the depths shown; saw grooving the surface; loading, hauling, unloading, and disposing of the cuttings; and equipment, labor, tools, and incidentals.