Erosion and Sediment Control, Landscape Design Criteria

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Section 1.0 Introduction Reformatting:

- Article 1.1 – Was previously Article 2.1
- Article 1.2 – Was previously Section 1.0
- Article 1.3 – Was previously Section 1.0

Article 2.3: Infiltration practices shall not be implemented in areas where vehicle fueling or maintenance will occur, or where there is shallow bedrock, contaminated soil, or within 400 feet of a community drinking water supply or 200 feet of a private water supply well.

Article 3.1.1, C: Stormwater management must consider adjacent property use, sensitive received waters, TMDLs, watershed plans, adjacent high quality natural resources or ADID wetlands, and the use of rubbleded concrete for road base.

Article 3.1.3, A: For compliance with new General NPDES Permit ILR40, Designer must determine applicability of TMDL allocations, watershed management plan, and any requirements for control of stormwater discharges or pollutants likely to be found associated with road construction or roadway use.

Article 3.2.4, BB: Temporary dewatering filter bags shall now be required to have secondary containment and/or a rock leveling pad.

Article 3.3.4, H: NPDES documents are now to be kept at the CM Field Office and maintained on the Illinois Tollway’s WBPM.

Article 3.3.5, G: A-39 forms are no longer required.

Article 3.5.1: Stabilization of cut or fill slopes is now required when activity reaches 8’ vertically.

Article 4.2.1, B: Class 4G, IT Pollinator Mixture has been added.
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SECTION 1.0  INTRODUCTION

1.1  Purpose and Use

The Illinois State Toll Highway Authority (Illinois Tollway) strives to lead the Industry in innovative and best practices, and to support a transportation system that preserves and enhances the environment. The Illinois Tollway also endeavors to design and build a more sustainable transportation infrastructure in Illinois. In support of these goals, the Illinois Tollway is committed to ensuring the protection of existing water resources and natural areas by implementing and maintaining an erosion and sediment control and landscape program as part of all Illinois Tollway projects.

This document provides the criteria, guidance, and general policies and procedures that need to be followed by the Design Section Engineers (DSE) or Designer for implementation of the erosion and sediment control and landscape measures for any construction on Illinois Tollway right-of-way (ROW), temporary easements, and borrow sites. These criteria, guidance, and general policies and procedures are intended to prevent erosion and sediment damage to the roadway, associated ROW, and adjacent properties; and to reduce impacts to water quality, aquatic ecosystems, and sensitive environmental resources; before, during, and after construction; and to provide a landscape that is both visually and environmentally compatible and pleasing with the surrounding areas.

This manual provides general guidelines for plan preparation and for obtaining required permits for erosion and sedimentation control, as well as landscape planning and design. It is the responsibility of the Designer to be familiar with the Illinois Tollway landscape management practices and to be knowledgeable in the principles of erosion and sediment control, roadside landscape design, and of current practices and regulations as they may affect Illinois Tollway projects. The Designer shall also be knowledgeable of the most sustainable method for handling stormwater runoff. The Designer shall ensure that the proposed grading and drainage designs for any project are coordinated with the landscape design in order to minimize conflicts and take full advantage of design opportunities and efficiencies.

The Construction Manager (CM) shall be experienced in the development and implementation of erosion and sediment control plans that can be effectively applied by the Contractor during the construction phase of the project. In addition, it is the responsibility of the CM to ensure continuous monitoring of the effectiveness of the implemented erosion and sediment control measures throughout construction of the Illinois Tollway projects and that permit compliance is met. Remedial measures shall be proposed and implemented as necessary.

The criteria, guidance, and general policies and procedures documented in this manual are for use in ensuring fulfillment of commitments for erosion and sediment control associated with Section 402 and Section 404 permits of the Clean Water Act issued by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), on such commitments made to the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA), and other regulatory and natural resource agencies during project development. The National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) program of the Federal Clean Water Act imposes erosion and sediment control requirements on construction activities that involve a disturbance of 1 acre or more of the total land area. The IEPA has issued a statewide General Construction Permit (ILR10) that details the NPDES requirements for construction projects.
## 1.2 Abbreviations and Acronyms

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## 1.3 Definitions

**Best Management Practices.** Design, construction, and maintenance practices and criteria for developments that promote infiltration, minimize impacts from stormwater runoff rates and volume, prevent erosion and capture pollutants.

**Community.** Any municipality, or the unincorporated County, within Illinois acting as a unit of local government.
Clear Zone. The unobstructed, traversable area provided beyond the edge of the through traveled way for the recovery of errant vehicles.

Construction Manager. The Engineer or firm of engineers and their duly authorized employees, agents and representatives engaged by the Illinois Tollway to observe the project work in order to determine whether or not it is being performed and constructed in compliance with the Contract.

Contract. The written agreement executed between the Illinois Tollway and the successful Bidder and any supplemental agreements duly executed, establishing the terms and conditions for the performance and construction of the work and to furnish labor, equipment and materials, and by which the Illinois Tollway is obligated to compensate the Contractor therefore at the established rate or price. The Contract includes the Advertisement to Bidders, Instructions to Bidders, the Proposal, the Standard Specifications, Bonds, the drawings, the Special Provisions, the Plans, the Specifications and all Addenda and any Extra Work Order, Change Order or Supplemental Agreement after execution of the Agreement.

Dam. Any obstruction, wall embankment, or barrier, together with any abutments and appurtenant works, constructed to store or direct water or to create a pool (not including underground water storage tanks).

Designer. The person (or consultant team) responsible for performing a design task for an Illinois Tollway project. Although this is typically the Design Section Engineer (DSE), it can also include a person (or consultant team) hired by a Contractor to perform design as part of a Value Engineering Proposal or part of a Performance Based Design. This document will use the term “Designer” which covers anyone performing design and will only use the term “DSE” when discussing tasks specific to the DSE.

Design Section Engineer. The Engineer or firm of engineers and their duly authorized employees, agents, and representatives engaged by the Illinois Tollway to prepare the Plans and Special Provisions for a Design Section.

Detention. The storage and controlled release of stormwater following a precipitation event by means of excavated pond, enclosed depression, pipe or tank used for stormwater peak flow reduction, storage and pollutant removal. Both dry and wet detention facilities can be applied. Special conditions for wet detention ponds apply on the Illinois Tollway ROW.

Development. Any activity, excavation or fill, alteration, subdivision, change in land use, or practice, undertaken by private or public entities that affects the discharge of stormwater; or substantial improvement to any portion of a building in the flood plain. The term "development" does not include maintenance of stormwater facilities.

Drainage. The removal of excess surface or ground water from land or roadway pavement by means of surface or subsurface drains.

Drainage/Tributary Area. The area of land from which the water drains to a given point.

Erosion Control. Measures proposed and provided to prevent or reduce the displacement of soil by the running water on road embankment fills, banks, and at various drainage structures (i.e., culvert inlets and outlets, channels, detention pond overflow areas, junctions, etc.).
Filter Strip. A vegetative planting used to retard or to collect sediment or pollutants for protection of diversions, drainage basins or other drainage structures.

Flood Plain. The area adjoining to the channel of a stream, which has been or may be subject to inundation by water exceeding a certain discharge.

Floodway. The channel and that portion of the flood plain adjacent to a stream or watercourse that is needed to convey the base flood.

Hydrology. The science of the behavior of water, including its dynamics, composition and distribution in the atmosphere, on the surface of the earth and underground.

Issues and Opportunities Diagram. A diagram of the site and adjacent properties that delineates the existing landscape character, features, view sheds, aesthetic opportunities, natural plant divisions, historic features, topographic features and identification of agencies and municipalities to be coordinated with.

Landscape DSE. Landscape Design Section Engineer. The landscape architect or firm of consultants and their authorized employees, agents and representatives engaged by the Illinois Tollway to prepare plans and Special Provisions for the landscape Design Section of a project.

Landscape Materials List. A list of plant material to be installed on a site. It includes the item number and the quantity and description of plant material.

Maintenance. The selective removal of woody material and accumulated debris from, or repairs to, a stormwater facility so that such facility will perform its natural functions or the functions for which it was designed and constructed.

Mitigation. Any action taken to permanently eliminate or reduce the negative impacts caused by natural or technological hazards.

Municipality. Any community, or the unincorporated County, within Illinois acting as a unit of local government.

National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System. A provision of the Clean Water Act that prohibits discharge of pollutants into waters of the United States unless a special permit is issued by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), a state or other designated regional agency.

Polyacrylamide. An anionic polyacrylamide flocculent used for sediment removal in construction site dewatering.

Runoff. The waters derived from melting snow or rain falling within a tributary drainage basin that exceeds the infiltration capacity of the soils of that basin.

Sediment. Mineral or organic soil material that was removed from the surrounding landscape and carried away by flowing water.

Sheet Flow. Storm runoff flowing in a thin layer over the ground surface.
Special Provisions. Special clauses, directions and requirements supplemental to the Standard Specifications, setting forth requirements peculiar to the work included in the Bid Documents.

Specifications. The general term comprising the directions, provisions, instructions and requirements contained in the Specifications, as well as the Special Provisions, any Supplemental Specifications and Addenda.

Structure. Unless otherwise defined in the Specifications, structures shall comprise all objects constructed of materials other than earth, required by the contract to be built or to be removed, but not including surfacings, base courses, subbases, gutters, curbs, sidewalks, and driveway pavement, buildings, bridges, culverts, headwalls, sewers, constructed channels, outfalls, retaining walls, and their appurtenances.

Subgrade. The top surface of a roadbed upon which pavement and shoulders are constructed.

Sustainability. Design, construction, operations and maintenance practices that meet the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs.

Tree Preservation Plan. A plan delineating existing trees on-site that should be preserved and protected during the construction process.

Tree Stand Delineation. A general accounting of existing vegetation, both in quality and quantity, on any project site. It shall provide an overview of tree groupings and other natural attributes as well as limitations of the site.

Watershed. All land area drained by or contributing water to the same stream, lake or stormwater facility.

Wetlands. Areas that are inundated or saturated by surface water or groundwater at a frequency and duration sufficient to support, and that under normal circumstances do support, a prevalence of vegetation typically adapted for life in saturated soil conditions for growth and reproduction (i.e., swamps, marshes, sloughs, wet meadows, river overflows, mud flats and natural ponds).

Zone 1. The area of right-of-way directly adjacent to the roadway that will need special treatment due to increased salt pollutant exposure and proximity to traffic.

Zone 2. The area of right-of-way beyond Zone 1 often including the ditch bottom and back-slope.

Note:
This manual follows the traditional definitions for shall, should, and may. Shall is used to mean something that is required or mandatory; while should is used to mean something that is recommended, but not mandatory; and may is used to mean that it is optional and carries no requirement or recommendation.
SECTION 2.0 GENERAL INFORMATION

2.1 Primary Documents

The primary documents developed through use of the criteria in this manual are:

- Special Provision 111 – Erosion and Sediment Control Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) Narrative,
- Erosion and Sediment Control Plan (ESCP), and
- Permanent Landscape Plan (PLP).

The SWPPP defines and describes the Best Management Practices (BMPs) for erosion and sediment control, good housekeeping measures, liquid and solid waste handling, spill prevention, and spill control measures to be used on the project site. The SWPPP includes a narrative, the ESCP, maintenance of specific ESCP measures, and the PLP showing permanent ground cover.

The ESCP defines how properties and surface water(s) located on and outside of the project area will be protected from erosion and sediment damage by the use of temporary control measures.

The PLP defines how the properties and surface water/s located outside of the project area will be permanently protected from erosion and sediment damage by the use of permanent ground cover and vegetation.

The temporary and permanent erosion control measures function best when proper operation and maintenance of these measures are based on implementing the following main elements:

- data collection and evaluation of the project vicinity to identify areas that are susceptible to erosion;
- assessment of the project site and determination of landscape requirements;
- review of the regulatory requirements for erosion and sediment control and landscape in the project area;
- planning and design for the most suitable and sustainable erosion and sediment control and landscape measures; and
- proper inspection, installation, and maintenance of the proposed erosion and sediment control and permanent landscape control measures coordinated with the construction schedule.

All Designer and CM personnel working on the preparation and implementation of the ESCP and PLP for a specific project shall be knowledgeable of the current Illinois Tollway design criteria in roadway Erosion and Sediment Control and Landscape Design for highways.
2.2 Projects Not Requiring Erosion and Sediment Control

Illinois Tollway projects which do not involve clearing and grubbing, excavation, stockpiling of soil and aggregate, borrow, or construction of embankment normally will not typically require temporary erosion and sediment control measures. Illinois Tollway projects which involve only isolated excavation areas of less than 1 acre combined total disturbed area will not normally require an ESCP. The following are examples of routine construction and maintenance operations that normally will not require erosion and sediment control measures:

- installation of lighting, signing, traffic signals, or guardrail;
- weed spraying;
- pavement marking;
- seal coating;
- pavement patching;
- planting of woody landscaping materials; and
- pond outlet cleaning or ditch scraping if the soil is not redeposited on the site.

If a single project involves a cumulative land disturbance of 1 acre or more, such as repair/replacement of guardrail at numerous locations, an ESCP plan and an NPDES permit is required.

Refer to Article 2.3 Policies and Regulations and the Illinois Tollway’s Special Provision 111 Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan.

2.3 Policies and Regulations

SWPPPs, including the development of ESCPs and control measures, are required on all Illinois Tollway projects that will expose areas of soil to potential displacement by precipitation events, wind, or other means, such that the sediment:

- could adversely affect traffic on the Illinois Tollway or associated ROW,
- could be conveyed into stormwater systems or receiving waters, i.e., natural streams
- could affect adjacent properties or sensitive environmental areas adjacent to the project site.

The need for erosion and sediment control measures shall be evaluated in the early design stages, prior to the preparation of design plans, so that the identified needed measures can be accounted for later in the ESCP and PLP design phases. The ESCPs shall provide pre-construction/during construction drawings that include information identifying the types of erosion and sediment control practices to be used, their locations, and when they shall be installed in relation to the sequence of construction operations that will expose soil. In some cases, the Designer may recommend specific sequences of construction in order to address the protection of a sensitive area from erosion and sediment damage. Permanent landscape
features, such as proposed trees and shrubs, should also be provided on the PLP post construction drawings when included in the scope of work.

The ESCP and/or PLP shall incorporate green infrastructure where appropriate and practicable. Stormwater management shall mimic natural processes whenever possible, such as directing stormwater to areas where infiltration, evapotranspiration, or water quality practices should be utilized. (Infiltration practices shall not be implemented in areas where vehicle fueling or maintenance will occur, where there is shallow bedrock, areas with contaminated soil or groundwater, or areas within 400 feet of a community drinking water supply or 200 feet of a private water supply well.) Natural buffers shall be provided or maintained around surface waters. Soil compaction should be minimized and topsoil preserved, unless infeasible.

The ESCPs and/or PLPs shall attempt to incorporate one or more of the following strategies, in order of preference:

1. preservation of natural features of the site, including open space, natural stormwater storage, and infiltration features
2. preservation of existing natural streams, channels, and drainage ways
3. minimization of new impervious surfaces or unnecessary soil compaction
4. conveyance of stormwater in open vegetated channels

Construction of structures that provide both water quality and water quantity control, with structures serving multiple sites preferable to those serving individual sites.

The Designer shall collect and analyze the existing site conditions as described in Article 3.1 Planning, Design Guidelines, and Submittal Requirements. A summary of submittal requirements follows:

**Design Concept Submittal includes:**
- data collecting and inventory development including, but not limited to, an Existing Vegetative Assessment (EVA) and an Issues and Opportunities Diagram (IOD); and
- addressing the Environmental Studies Inventory Sheet and Erosion and Sediment Control Analysis Form in the Illinois Tollway’s Environmental Studies Manual.

**Preliminary Design Submittal includes:**
- developing the SWPPP;
- interpreting, evaluating, and applying data; and
- developing preliminary plans.

**Pre-Final Design Submittal includes:**
- development of ESCP and
The following statutes, regulations, and references can be consulted to properly define the elements that shall be incorporated in the SWPPP, the ESCP, and the PLP.

### 2.3.1 Federal Statutes, Regulations and Policies

There are federal regulations overseen by numerous agencies. These agencies are the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), USACE, the U.S. Department of Agriculture’s Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

Key regulations and policies written by these agencies include:

- National Environmental Policy Act
- Clean Water Act: Sections 309, 319, 401, 402, 404
- EPA – Office of Water: “Controlling Nonpoint Source Runoff Pollution from Roads, Highways and Bridges” (EPA-841-F-95-008a / 1995)
- United States Code Title 23: Highways - Section 319: Landscaping and Scenic Enhancement
- 23 CFR 650, Subpart B Erosion and Sediment Control on Highway Construction Projects
- 23 CFR 752: Landscape and Roadside Development
- 40 CFR 450: Effluent Limitation Guidelines and Standards for the Construction and Development Point Source Category

### 2.3.2 Illinois Statutes and Directives

A number of Illinois statutes and directives contain guidance for landscaping, erosion and sediment control measures, not limited to the following:

- 615 ILCS 5 Rivers, Lakes, and Streams Act
- 35 Illinois Adm. Code, Subtitle C, Chapter I

### 2.3.3 Guidance Documents

Several guidance documents are available to assist in planning, design, and implementation of the landscaping and erosion and sediment control measures for the Illinois Tollway projects (all documents shall be the latest revision or edition), including:

- AASHTO – Guide for Transportation Landscape and Environmental Design
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- AASHTO – A Guide for Achieving Flexibility in Highway Design
- AASHTO – Roadside Design Guide
- Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) – Developing Your Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan; A Guide for Construction Sites
- Illinois Tollway – Design Section Engineers Manual
- Illinois Tollway – Design Guidelines (Architecture, Landscape, Signage, etc.)
- Illinois Tollway – Standard K Drawings and Section M Base Sheets
- Illinois Tollway – Supplemental Specifications to the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction
- Illinois Tollway – Criteria for Removal and Replacement of Trees
- Illinois Tollway – Roadside Mowing Policy
- IDOT – Bureau of Design and Environmental Manual, Chapter 41 – Construction Site Storm Water Pollution Control
- IDOT – Bureau of Design and Environmental Manual, Chapter 59 – Landscape Design
- IDOT – Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction

As manuals are updated and re-issued, please ensure that the most recent version of the document is being used for guidance.

If there is any conflict between this Erosion and Sediment Control, Landscape Design Criteria and any reference document or specification, the Designer shall discuss this conflict with the Illinois Tollway Project Manager (PM) before proceeding.

2.4 Coordination and Documentation

2.4.1 Coordination

Below is a discussion of coordination activities needed during the preparation of the soil erosion control and landscape plans.

A. Coordination of several disciplines (e.g., engineering, landscape architecture, biology, hydrology, and others) is needed during the project’s design in order to meet
the proper environmental requirements. This is necessary not only for large and complex projects but also for small and simple projects. The Designer shall obtain all available inputs to ensure a coordinated, environmentally-based, integrative design approach.

B. Coordination with other state and federal regulatory agencies is necessary where transportation projects involve wetlands, endangered species, Illinois natural areas, nature preserves, historic sites, naturally or culturally sensitive areas, or where the planned facility is adjacent to public natural resources such as streams, forests, or forest preserves. The design aspect of these projects shall be identified by the Designer and coordinated by the assigned Illinois Tollway PM/Coordinator.

C. The Designer shall support the Illinois Tollway PM/Coordinator when coordination is needed with local jurisdictional agencies or property/landowners adjacent to or affected by Illinois Tollway projects. Coordination at the local level includes counties, municipalities, schools, park and forest preserve districts, chambers of commerce, residential and commercial developments, and other special districts. Coordination at the general public level should include groups that could have valuable input to the project or have special requirements.

D. The NPDES General Construction Permit to regulate the discharge of stormwater from a construction site, which is granted to the Illinois Tollway, requires certain items be prepared and kept current by the CM. See Special Provisions 111.1 and 111.2 and Part IV of the NPDES General Construction Permit for more details regarding the requirements for developing the NPDES SWPPP. Appendix 1 provides a summary of the various NPDES forms that may be applicable to a project.

### 2.4.2 Documentation

The Illinois Tollway’s *Environmental Studies Manual* provides guidance on the necessary coordination and documentation for different types of projects.

Preparation of the documentation for ESCPs and/or PLPs involves the following steps.

A. Collection of data, including:

- topography,
- rainfall frequency and intensities,
- drainage pattern (overland watersheds and existing drainage systems),
- soil data and ground cover,
- adjacent area's conditions and land use,
- U.S. Geologic Survey Hydrologic Maps/ hydraulic characteristics,
- wetlands and environmentally sensitive areas,
• flood elevations,
• vegetation surveys and requirements, and
• preparation of the Erosion and Sedimentation Control Analysis checklist.

B. Analysis of the data, including:
• drainage areas, including areas where sheet or concentrated flows enter or leave Illinois Tollway property,
• vegetation,
• runoff calculation/s and runoff coefficient/s for the SWPPP
• detention requirements, hydrology, ground water elevations, and
• evaluation of the soil erodibility potential, hydrology, and topography.

C. Development of project site plan, including the proposed drainage facilities.

D. Development of erosion and sediment control and landscape plans, including:
• applicable Section 4.0 requirements for PLP;
• narrative for ESCP, permit submittals, and/or ESIS;
• overview drawings, detailed plans, and staging sequence narrative;
• construction details; and
• supporting calculations.

2.4.3 Request for Design Deviation

If the landscape or erosion control design submitted by the Designer deviates from the criteria specified in this manual, the Designer shall prepare and submit a Design Deviation to the Illinois Tollway in accordance with Article 10.1.5 of the DSE Manual.

The Designer shall prepare documentation to be used to obtain local permits/approval if local agency requirements for landscaping or erosion and sediment control are more stringent than the Illinois Tollway’s requirements; these requirements shall be considered in the development of the ESCP and the PLP. If the proposed ESCP or the PLP does not meet or exceed the local ordinances, the Designer shall summarize for the Illinois Tollway information and consideration for the differences and explain why the more stringent requirements cannot be met.

The Illinois Tollway will review the information submitted and direct the Designer on a course of action to continue development of contract documents and permit applications.
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SECTION 3.0  EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL

3.1  Planning, Design Guidelines, and Submittal Requirements

3.1.1  Planning

An effective ESCP shall minimize the amount of sediment displacement and erosion due to construction activities. The success of the ESCP depends mainly on site planning, coordination, maintenance, and operation. The following outlines the main principles of planning a successful ECSP.

A. The Designer shall coordinate with all disciplines to understand construction staging and drainage patterns tributary to and within the project limits. The Designer shall obtain delineations of drainage divides, tributary areas, and drainage flow routes from drainage reports (if available).

B. The Designer shall understand the erosion potential of existing soils, including classifications, slopes, stream corridors, and special management areas.

C. The Designer shall identify potential problem areas which will likely require the implementation of erosion and sediment control measures and identify potential solutions. Consideration should include, but not be limited to, adjacent property use, distance and sensitivity of receiving waters, receiving waters with impaired water or total maximum daily loads (TMDLs), watershed plans developed for constituents associated with roadways or construction, adjacent high quality natural resources/ADID wetlands, the use of rubbilized concrete for road base, etc.

D. The Designer shall identify affected agencies that will require coordination meetings. The Designer shall prepare a listing of issues that will need to be discussed at the meeting and be prepared to present solutions to identified issues.

E. The Designer shall plan the use of appropriate erosion and sediment control measures. The Contractor may recommend changes in the ESCP, as appropriate. The CM will accept or reject Contractor suggestions and advise Contractor of same. The CM is responsible for erosion and sediment control oversight to ensure proper measures are installed, effective, and maintained throughout all phases of construction, including shutdown periods.

F. Throughout all phases of design, the Designer shall implement a thorough review process involving both design and construction personnel. The Designer shall include a review program of the plans and specifications to assure that local concerns are addressed and regulatory requirements are met, including a plan for temporary stormwater storage during construction.

G. The Designer shall prepare the Erosion and Sediment Control Analysis checklist.

Illinois Tollway Supplemental Specifications Section 280, Special Provision 111-Erosion and Sediment Control, Standard K1 Drawings, and Section M Base Sheets are available to the Designer. The most current versions shall be obtained from the Illinois Tollway’s website. The
information is to be used to identify the erosion and sediment control items and quantities to be included in the contract documents.

For further guidance see Appendix 2 for the EPA’s Stormwater Phase II Final Rule, Small Construction Program Overview.

3.1.2 Design Guidelines

The Designer shall use the design guidelines provided to develop erosion and sediment control solutions for individual site conditions. Consideration shall be given to erosion and sediment control early on in the design process to properly account for it in the design process. These guidelines are included to provide the Designer with a general sense of the important factors that need to be accounted for throughout the design. The design guidelines are listed below by category:

A. General Design

1. Plan the construction to take advantage of existing topography, soils, drainage patterns, and natural vegetation.

2. Apply erosion control practices prior to construction to reduce on-site erosion and prevent off-site sediment damage.

3. Complete coordination meetings with affected agencies early on in the design process to solicit input and comments to be incorporated in the ESCP.

4. If the Designer determines that there is a need for additional measures not covered under Illinois Tollway guidelines, the Designer can use one of the drawings included in the Illinois Urban Manual or design details from IDOT’s Bureau of Design and Environmental Manual, Chapter 41. The Designer should also provide a custom design based upon site specific requirements. The Designer shall submit the drawings to Illinois Tollway for review and acceptance.

5. Design erosion control features to facilitate timely maintenance, repair, and replacement of impaired measures.

6. The erosion of new embankment slopes is to be reduced by construction of temporary berms with temporary pipe slope drains at the end of each construction day. The size and distance between pipes are to be designed by the Designer in accordance with the Illinois Urban Manual or Illinois Tollway Standard Drawings. Calculations supporting non-standard spacing shall be submitted for review.

7. The Illinois Tollway has initiated a program that utilizes recycled concrete for roadway rehabilitation projects. Excavated concrete is broken up and crushed into smaller pieces, often in situ, to create an aggregate base for new pavement. The use of recycled or rubblized concrete creates unique challenges for erosion and sediment control design. The Designer shall be mindful of the fine material that is washed away during storm events, often continuing beyond the completion of construction. In addition, the presence of limestone in the rubblized concrete can significantly alter the pH of the stormwater runoff. Where
rubblization is to be utilized, the Designer shall investigate the current technology and identify locations and design devices that will allow for the remediation of rubblized concrete fines prior to discharging stormwater to outside of the ROW. In many instances, the material can be removed via vegetated ditches as long as there is sufficient time and space for removal prior to the discharge of the stormwater to outside the ROW or to receiving waters.

If stormwater will discharge to sensitive ecological systems, such as creeks or wetlands, or interfere with the growth of adjacent plants and grasses, methods for neutralizing the pH shall also be assessed. In no instance shall live plants/plugs be installed near underdrain outfalls. The Designer shall identify methods for preventing impacts to stormwater discharging to outside the Illinois Tollway ROW from rubblized concrete, and provide plans to the Illinois Tollway for review and acceptance. Contract documents shall incorporate appropriate BMPs into project plans to prevent these types of sediments from leaving Illinois Tollway ROW.

The Illinois Tollway Drainage Design Manual (Illinois Tollway DDM) has additional requirements for subsurface drainage design in areas constructed with rubblized concrete. See Article 10.7.2 of the Illinois Tollway DDM for additional information.

B. Basic Principles

Overview

Construction activities involving earthwork (e.g., clearing and grubbing, grading, importing fill material, utility installation) disturb the soil such that when the vegetation is removed, the soil becomes exposed and vulnerable to excessive erosion. This results in sediment being the most common pollutant associated with construction activities. Sediment can be detrimental to aquatic life by interfering with photosynthesis, respiration, growth, reproduction, and oxygen exchange in waterways. In addition, sediment particles can transport other pollutants that are attached to them, including nutrients, trace metals, and hydrocarbons. Sediment particles (e.g., silts and clays) are the primary components of total suspended solids, a common water quality parameter.

Construction activities involving building materials, vehicular use, and landscaping have the potential to contribute pollutants to stormwater. Common pollutants related to these construction activities include vehicle fluids, curing compounds, solvents, paints, emulsions, oil and grease, metals, organics, pesticides, nutrients, trash, debris, and floatables, as well as other miscellaneous waste.

Erosion and Sedimentation

Erosion is the process of soil particle detachment from the land surface by the forces of wind, water, or gravity. After the soil particles have been detached (eroded), the suspended soil particles in transport are referred to as sediment. Sedimentation occurs where suspended sediment settles out and is deposited. Note that gravels and sands tend to drop out of suspension more rapidly than finer particles (e.g., silts and clays) due to differences in size, density, and shape.
Where soil is cleared or disturbed, erosion occurs at a much higher rate due to direct exposure to erosive forces (e.g., raindrop impacts, sheet erosion, rill erosion). Land clearing disturbances can also alter the natural structure of soil and weaken the reinforcing matrix of plant roots and organic compounds. The EPA estimates that unprotected construction sites can experience erosion at over 100 times the natural rate. As a result, primary emphasis should be placed on erosion control practices as they are preventative source controls, while sediment control practices are secondary measures designed to contain sediment after it is in transport, preventing it from leaving the site. Sediment control is often more expensive than erosion control.

**Types of Erosion**

1. **Erosion from Raindrop Impact.** The dislodgement of soil particles by falling raindrops is a primary agent of erosion, particularly on soils with sparse vegetative cover. Individual soil particles can be splashed over 1.5 feet in height and 5 feet to the side.

2. **Sheet Erosion.** Splashed soil particles are moved in a semi-suspended layer uniformly over the land surface. The distance of sheet flow depends on slope, soil roughness, type of vegetative cover, and rainfall intensity.

3. **Rill and Gully Erosion.** As runoff concentrates, tiny channels form called rills. Rill erosion is the form that produces the greatest amount of soil loss worldwide. Rills are channels small enough to be smoothed by normal tillage. As the runoff accumulates in the rills, they erode further, causing gullies to form. Gullies are so large that they cannot be smoothed by normal tillage. The rate of rill erosion can easily be 100 times greater than that of sheet flow, and the rate of gully erosion can easily be 100 times greater than rill erosion. Due to the significant amount of sediment generated by rill and gully erosion, these types of erosion shall be given top priority for elimination, reduction, and control.

4. **Ditch and channel erosion** is produced by a concentrated flow moving within a ditch or channel without energy dissipation such as the access to a floodplain. This type of erosion can undermine channel banks and erode ditch/channel bottoms. Depending on the channel capacity, this form of erosion can do severe damage to a drainage system.

The following basic variables are to be considered during the preparation of the ESCP:

1. The soil erosion hazard varies with soil type, soil surface conditions, the slope of the lands (S), and the length of the slope exposed to the stormwater runoff (L). General guidelines are as follows:

   - **Low Erosion Hazard:** for \( S = < 4\% \) and \( L > 300\) feet
   - **Moderate Erosion Hazard:** for \( S = 4\% \) to \( 7\% \) and \( L > 150\) feet
   - **High Erosion Hazard:** for \( S = > 7\% \)
The higher the erosion hazard, the more critical the design, practice, installation, and maintenance of the erosion and sediment control measures. Table 1 below demonstrates this principle.

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Influence of Environmental Conditions on Erosion*

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*Table above used with permission, courtesy of the Kentucky Division of Water’s Kentucky Best Management Practices (BMPs) for Controlling Erosion, Sediment, and Pollutant Runoff from Construction Sites Planning and Technical Specifications Manual, (undated), Tetra Tech, Inc.

2. Locate and identify any wetlands or special management areas for protection.

3. Determine if rubblized or recycled concrete will be used. If so, identify locations where Illinois Tollway stormwater leaves the ROW and affects stormwater quality and/or plantings.

4. Evaluation for control of erosion shall include the changes in drainage patterns for various construction phases, time of year, and site conditions.

5. Divert off-site runoff flowing through the site away from disturbed areas.

6. Use construction phases and clearing limits to maintain the natural vegetation for as long as possible on the site.

7. Attempt to prevent erosion, and trap sediments from unavoidable erosion.
8. Stabilize and protect disturbed areas as soon as possible. Retain any released sediment within the construction area and reduce tracking off-site.

9. Reflect in the construction plans and specifications that permanent erosion and sediment control measures will be implemented as quickly as practical.

10. Develop a thorough monitoring/inspection, maintenance, and follow-up program.

C. Drainage and Runoff Control

1. Understand existing drainage patterns within the project limits and offsite flows tributary to the project area.

2. When possible, keep off-site runoff from entering the construction site through the use of diversion ditches and channels.

3. Keep runoff velocities low and retain sediment loaded runoff on the construction site.

4. Temporary ditch checks or rock check dams shall be used in all proposed or temporary ditches to reduce velocity and to prevent excessive erosion in a ditch or swale. These devices are not to be used as a substitute for sediment trapping devices, such as sediment traps or basins. Spacing between devices shall be determined from Figure 1, Ditch Check Spacing (next page).

5. Super silt fence should be considered when slope angle and/or the contributing slope results in concentrated flows, and/or the design life of the silt fence is greater than 6 months.

6. Neither silt fence nor super silt fence barriers are designed for drainage channels where concentrated flows will occur, such as ditches, channels, or streams. The fences may be undercut and damaged by the impact of concentrated channel flow.
### FIGURE 1 – DITCH CHECK SPACING

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1. Chart indicates recommended spacing of ditch checks, based upon the percent of slope.

2. For applications not addressed in this figure, spacing shall be equal to the height of the ditch check divided by the slope. This ensures that the base of the upstream check is at the same elevation as the crest of the downstream check.

3. The spacings indicated in this figure are for guidance only. The Designer shall take into consideration all variables in the design and selection of the type of ditch checks used, including but not limited to soil types, surface water flow, and other construction activities unique to the individual project which may impact erosion and sediment control structures.

4. Adapted from the *Illinois Urban Manual*. 
D. Soils, Excavation, and Disturbed Areas

1. Understand soil conditions within the project limits.

2. Minimize the extent of area exposed at any one time, and the duration of the exposure.

3. Use perimeter control practices to protect disturbed areas from off-site runoff and prevent sedimentation damage to areas located downstream of the disturbed areas.

4. Disturbed areas are to be protected from erosion in a timely manner and erosion stabilization measures shall be initiated as soon as practicable in all portions of the site.

For portions of the site where construction activities have temporarily ceased and will not resume within 14 days (e.g., the total time period that construction activity is temporarily ceased will be 14 days or more), stabilization measures shall be initiated within 1 working day from the time activities have ceased. In portions of the site where construction activities have permanently ended, erosion stabilization measures shall immediately take place and final erosion measures used whenever possible.

Any adjacent sediment control measures shall continuously remain in place while construction has temporarily or permanently ended and until final erosion stabilization is complete.

Same day stabilization is to be implemented as outlined in the Illinois Tollway Supplemental Specification Article 280.15(c). Same day stabilization is typically used to minimize erosion and the movement of soils at those areas shown on the plans, as directed by the CM, or where construction activity will temporarily cease for 14 days. The primary method to perform same day stabilization is through the use of Temporary Stabilization with straw mulch, with permanent measures installed at the earliest opportunity. This item generally provides for the additional labor that may be required to perform the continuous soil stabilization work needed to reduce sediment loss where limited space is available for sediment control measures.

E. Construction Practices and Issues

1. All temporary diversions, swales, ditches, etc. shall be installed in a manner that protects these areas from erosion during construction.

2. Apply and maintain the appropriate erosion and sediment control measures on the project site during all phases of construction, including construction shut down periods.
Where the initiation of stabilization measures is precluded by snow cover, stabilization measures shall be initiated as soon as practicable.

3. Clearly define wherever dewatering is expected to be needed, pointing out the need to pass the sediment laden water through a sediment trapping device prior to leaving the construction site.

4. Any silt fence constructed in an area where ponding depth may exceed 18” shall be constructed as a super silt fence.

5. Super silt fence shall be used when the contributing slope is longer than 100’, the slope is greater than 3%, and/or the design life of the silt fence is greater than 6 months. This item should also be used to protect wetlands and other environmentally sensitive areas.

6. Neither silt fence nor super silt fence barriers are designed for drainage channels where concentrated flows will occur, such as ditches, channels, or streams. The fences may be undercut and damaged by the impact of concentrated channel flow.

7. Clearly define ways that the Contractor can ensure all sediment laden water originating on the site will flow through sediment control devices prior to leaving the site.

8. Upon completion of construction and/or permanent stabilization, temporary erosion and sediment control measures shall be removed. Temporary erosion control measures may be left in place for a period of time following construction if construction included rubblized/recycled concrete. Under these circumstances, temporary erosion and sediment control measures shall be left in place until fines from the rubblized/recycled concrete are no longer being washed out from the underpavement. Temporary erosion and sediment control measures cannot be left in place on a permanent basis, however, unless consistent with standards from the Illinois Tollway DDM. In no instance may riprap or ditch checks be left in place unless the CM gets written acceptance from the Illinois Tollway Environmental Unit and it does not pose a hazard to the motorist.

Refer to the Illinois Tollway’s Standard K1 and Section M Base Sheet Drawings for information regarding various erosion and sediment control measures and the applications to which each of them is best suited for Illinois Tollway projects. For further guidance see the EPA’s Developing Your Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan, A Guide for Construction Sites.

3.1.3 Design Concept Submittal

The design concept shall be developed in conjunction with the overall design team, following the guidelines provided. The primary focus of this submittal will be to understand the existing conditions, plan the overall erosion and sediment control concept, and define the permit requirements. Coordination with all project disciplines including Landscape Architect, Drainage Engineer, Environmental Planner, and governmental and regulatory agencies will be critical during this phase of the project. The Designer shall identify any special requirements that need
to be met and any additional ROW needs. The following elements need to be addressed and included in the design concept narrative and plan.

A. Perform a Project Site Evaluation

1. Define project boundaries and identify adjacent land uses and soil types to gain a basic understanding of the site topographic features.

2. Determine if a TMDL allocation or watershed management plan is approved for any water body into which stormwater will discharge; determine if TMDL allocation/watershed management plan has any requirements for control of stormwater discharges or pollutants likely to be found associated with road construction or roadway use.

   Information on TMDLs can be found at the IEPA’s website, water quality page: http://www.epa.illinois.gov/topics/water-quality/watershed-management/tmdls/index

3. Define the existing drainage network, including storm sewers, culverts, ditches, swales, channels, streams, and rivers that enter, cross, or may be impacted by the construction of the project. Obtain previous delineations of drainage divides, tributary areas, and drainage flow routes from drainage reports (if available) so that the drainage plan and ESCP designs match.

4. Determine the amount of runoff from the project area and tributary watershed areas.

5. Identify all locations where existing ditches, swales, channels, streams, and rivers will need to be diverted to facilitate construction.

6. Define areas where protection of existing vegetation will be required.

7. Identify type and location of any special management areas.

8. Define additional ROW or construction easements necessary to accommodate the implementation of the erosion and sediment control measures.

B. Complete Governmental and Regulatory Agency Coordination.

1. Evaluate project requirements of USACE 404 Permit or other regulatory agencies.

2. Evaluate project site requirements for NPDES permit.

3. Evaluate project site requirements for County Stormwater Management Agency permit (CSMA).
C. Submittal Requirements

1. Provide a narrative summarizing the project site evaluation, governmental and regulatory agency coordination, and the overall erosion and sediment control concept. The narrative shall include a thorough explanation of the conclusions reached from the project site evaluation and governmental and regulatory agency coordination.

2. Provide overview drawings at a scale of 1 inch = 100 feet with text and symbols at a size to be read clearly at 11 inches x 17 inches reduced plan size. See Appendix 3 for an example. These drawings shall:
   - show project centerline, stationing, and ramp baselines as applicable;
   - show existing and proposed roadway geometry;
   - show ROW limits;
   - show existing contours (half tone);
   - show all drainage areas tributary to the project and within the project limits;
   - show existing drainage network, including storm sewers, culverts, bridges, swales, ditches, channels, creeks, streams, rivers, and waterway names;
   - show flood plain and floodway limits, with elevations clearly noted;
   - label size of bridges, storm sewers, culverts, and existing outlets;
   - label type and location of any special management areas; and
   - show location, size, and I.D. number of existing wetland areas, other environmentally sensitive areas, and which portions of these areas will be impacted.

   • Provide work stage drawing(s) that define the suggested sequencing of construction to limit the size of the area disturbed at one time to 20 acres. Refer to Article 3.2 Design Criteria for detailed information.

   • Provide cost estimates, including costs associated with any additional ROW needed for erosion and sediment control, for implementing the ESCP. This will be used in updating the initial planning cost estimate.

   • Prepare and submit the Erosion and Sediment Control Technical Review Checklist, Section A, Design Concept Submittal, located in Appendix 4.

   • Provide any additional information required by the project.
3.1.4 Preliminary Design Submittal

A. The preliminary design of an ESCP begins with a project site analysis. The purpose of this analysis is to take information obtained in the project site evaluation and define efficient and practical erosion and sediment control measures for the project site. At this phase in the design, sufficient information should be available to begin detailing the ESCP. The Designer shall work with all disciplines including the Landscape Architect, the Drainage Engineer, and the Environmental Planner to resolve all issues identified in the Design Concept Phase and layout the overall design concept. Plans shall be prepared showing a basic layout of all erosion and sediment control measures. The Designer shall not be required to fully detail the plans for this submittal, however, it shall be the Designer’s responsibility to ensure that the measures proposed will work within the ROW and construction sequencing will work as proposed. In preparing the ESCP, erosion control shall be considered initially with sediment control designed as secondary control measures. At a minimum, this submittal shall contain the following.

1. Based on soils report information, refine soil classifications and adjust ESCP concept as necessary. Any new information revealed in the soils report that would require significant changes to the ESCP shall be discussed with the Illinois Tollway PM prior to initiating changes.

2. Address, in writing, all Illinois Tollway comments from previous submittal.

3. Provide overview drawings reflecting any revisions called for in the previous review.

B. Provide erosion and sediment control drawings at a scale of 1 inch = 50 feet showing a basic layout of all measures to be installed, before and during construction, with text and symbols at a size to be read clearly at 11 inches x 17 inches reduced plan size. See Appendix 3 for an example. These drawings shall:

1. Show all information provided on overview drawings, including existing contours at half tone.

2. Show nonstandard symbols, abbreviations, and special construction details that are not already outlined in Section K of the Standard drawings.

3. Provide plan sheet EC-2, the Erosion and Sediment Control Schedule. Summarize, by drawing number, the measures to be installed, pay items, pay item numbers, and quantities. Include a column for Record Quantities for use by the CM. See Appendix 3 for an example.

4. Provide additional quantities over and above the plan quantities for use “At Engineers Discretion”. Coordinate these additional quantities with Illinois Tollway PM prior to submitting plans. See Appendix 3 for an example.

5. Provide plan sheet with the Erosion and Sediment Control Sequences and General Notes. Show the maintenance schedule for each erosion and sediment control practice with parties responsible for maintenance, i.e., Landscape
Contractor and/or General Contractor. Show construction sequences for installing control measures in relation to specific stages of construction and earth disturbance activities. Include the following general notes and details applicable to the project:

a. For erosion and sediment control general notes see Standard K1 and Section M Base Sheet Drawings.

b. The permanent vegetation plan shall be used on all disturbed areas whenever possible. A quantity for temporary stabilization with straw mulch shall also be provided for all anticipated disturbed areas.

c. Same day stabilization is to be implemented as outlined in the Illinois Tollway Supplemental Specification Articles 280.15(c). Same day stabilization is typically used to minimize erosion and the movement of soils at those areas shown on the plans or directed by the CM. Same day stabilization is typically performed each day any soil disturbance occurs as a result of Contractor’s operations. The primary method to perform same day stabilization is through the use of Temporary Stabilization with straw mulch with permanent measures installed at the earliest opportunity. This item generally provides for the additional labor that may be required to perform the continuous soil stabilization work needed to reduce sediment loss where limited space is available for sediment control measures.

d. Temporary sediment basin #_____ and temporary sediment traps #_____ and #_____.

e. Stabilized construction entrances at Contractor’s access to work areas. See standard drawings K and Illinois Tollway – Supplemental Specification Article 280.07 and Appendix 5 for additional direction.

f. Identify the vehicle washout areas.

6. Delineate disturbed area and provide drainage patterns for proposed conditions. Make special note of drainage areas used to size the perimeter controls, sediment traps, or retention basins.

7. Show the direction runoff flows prior to construction, during construction, and after construction is completed. This may require duplicate drawings in some situations.

8. Identify reaches that will require the use of staged construction, with temporary or permanent stabilization of slopes, before additional excavation or placement of fill. Label how many stages/phases of construction will be needed, with the slope length (50 feet) and/or 15 feet fill or cut limitations shown on the Illinois Tollway Standard Drawing Section K1, at representative (20 acre) locations along the route.

9. Show borrow sites and topsoil stockpile locations with erosion and sediment control measures around the perimeter of the stockpiles.
10. Identify and quantify all tree protection and sediment control measures that must be in place prior to initial grading. These include sediment basins, sediment traps, and silt fences. These practices shall be identified on the plan as Initial Construction.

11. Show all locations where temporary stream diversions will be needed for installation of culverts or bridges. These measures shall be identified on the plan as Initial Construction.

12. Identify and quantify the permanent and temporary stormwater management measures that must be in place before grading occurs in each specific area along the route. These include stormwater detention sites, stabilized channel outlets, stabilized temporary swales or diversion dikes, and any needed stream diversions. Notes shall be placed on the drawings identifying which of the runoff control practices and sediment control measures are to be installed prior to the start of grading. Most of these will fall in the category of perimeter controls. These measures shall be identified on the Plans as Initial Construction.

13. Identify reaches that will have temporary pipe slope drains and temporary berms (fill areas/embankments).

14. Show the area, in acres, controlled by each temporary sediment basin, sediment trap, temporary diversion, temporary swale, or other temporary measure.

15. Show location, size, and storage capacity of all detention basins to be constructed for stormwater management. Note and identify any portion of the basin which is designed to serve as a sediment trap/basin.

16. Layout the ESCP showing the type and location of erosion and sediment control practices to be used. Annotate as needed to clearly define design intent. Complete detailing is not required at this phase.

17. Provide provisions for dust control watering and maintaining clean roadways inside and outside the project limits. The following table should be referenced for dust control measures (see Table 2).

18. Provide preliminary cost estimate.


20. Provide any additional information required by the project.


22. Provide Permanent Landscape Plans at 1 inch = 50 feet showing all landscape, post construction features, and permanent seeding. Refer to Section 4.0 of this Manual, for requirements.

For general design information, responsibilities, and permits refer to Article 2.3.
Table 2: Applicability of Dust Control Measures for Various Site Conditions

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3.1.5 Pre-Final Design Submittal

The erosion and sediment control submittal for this phase shall include the plans, specifications, and cost estimate submitted at the Preliminary Design Phase developed to a 99% level of completeness. Submit permit applications and backup data, including NPDES Notice of Intent (NOI), and CSMA (if required) submittal at 100% level for use by Illinois Tollway in permit submittals. Items to be addressed or included in this submittal are:

A. Address, in writing, all Illinois Tollway comments from previous submittal.

B. Identify any erosion or sediment control measure that will serve as a permanent erosion or sediment control measure after construction is complete.

C. Identify number, volume, length, width, bottom elevation, and cleanout elevation of sediment traps and sediment basins. These shall be shown on the drawings.

D. Include sediment traps, sediment basins, dewatering basins, temporary swales, and temporary channel diversions drawings on the cross sections. Submit these for review to verify that the devices will fit in the intended area.

E. Label the specific location(s), size, and length of all erosion and sediment control measures shown of the drawings.

F. Provide the dimension, material, and installation details for all erosion and sediment control measures and facilities not covered by the Standard Drawings.

G. Provide a maintenance schedule for any special measures not covered in the standard drawings and specifications.

H. Provide Pre-Final cost estimate.

I. Provide Pre-Final Special Provisions.
J. Prepare SWPPP. The SWPPP shall not be considered complete until the Designer has prepared the site description, along with identification, implementation, and maintenance of BMPs to reduce pollutants in stormwater discharges. This is required to comply with the provisions of the NPDES Permit Number ILR10 issued by the IEPA for stormwater discharges from construction site activities. The Designer shall modify Special Provision 111.2 to satisfy this requirement.

K. Provide any additional information required by the project.

L. Provide the NPDES NOI form.

M. Provide CSMA submittal (if required). Include two full size sets of Erosion and Sediment Control Plans, one reduced size set, and three sets of submittal documents.

N. Prepare and submit the Erosion and Sediment Control Technical Review Checklist, Section C, Pre-Final Design Submittal, located in Appendix 4.

3.1.6 Final Design Submittal

The erosion and sediment control submittal for this phase shall include the plans, specifications, and cost estimate developed to a 100% level of completeness. Items to be addressed or included in this submittal are:

A. Address, in writing, all Illinois Tollway comments from previous submittal.

B. Provide final Overview and ESCP Drawings.

C. Provide final Special Provisions and SWPPP in Special Provision 111.2.

D. Provide final cost estimate.

E. Provide Professional Engineer’s seal and signature on the plans.

F. Provide any additional information required by the project.


3.1.7 References

Please refer to the Illinois Tollway’s website for the most recent guidance documents, including Illinois Tollway Standard K1 and applicable Section M Base Sheet Drawings and Specifications.

IEPA’s National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Stormwater Permit No. ILR10, - General Permit for Stormwater Discharges Associated with Construction Sites.

*Illinois Urban Manual*, AISWCD, IEPA, and NRCS

Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) – *Bureau of Design and Environmental Manual*, Chapter 41 – Construction Site Storm Water Pollution Control
3.2 Design Criteria

All runoff, erosion, and sediment control measures shall be reviewed to ensure that roadside hazards are not created. In no instance shall control measures be located in or near the clear zone.

3.2.1 Runoff Control

Runoff plays an important role in soil and sediment erosion, as well as collecting and moving the chemicals (i.e., nutrients and pesticides) from soil and vegetative cover. Runoff control applies both to the on-site and off-site runoff.

A. On-site runoff is generally either conveyed through the site or stored on-site.

- Runoff conveyance is generally done through temporary or permanent ditches, swales, or channels, and is intended to convey the runoff generated within the project area through the site. The conveyance facilities shall be designed according to the Illinois Tollway DDM and protected against erosion, using temporary and/or permanent erosion control measures.

- Storage of on-site runoff can be done using temporary or permanent detention basins.

B. Off-site runoff shall generally be diverted from the construction site using diversion dikes and diversion channels. The diversion shall not cross the watershed drainage boundaries for the site. If diversion is not possible, the off-site runoff is to be conveyed through the site in such manner that untreated on-site runoff does not mix with the off-site runoff. Generally, the off-site runoff shall outlet into an undisturbed or a stabilized area, at a non-erosive velocity. The diversion channels shall be designed and constructed to withstand the expected velocity for the 25 year, 24 hour frequency storm without erosion. All constructed or modified channels shall be stabilized within 48 hours. If separation of on-site and off-site runoff is not possible, size sediment traps, basins, and other measures for both on-site and off-site runoff.

C. The following is a brief description of possible erosion control measures that will achieve runoff control.

- Temporary ditch checks or rock check dams shall be used in the existing, proposed, and temporary ditches to control velocity. These types of erosion control practices are not intended to trap sediment, but are used as a temporary measure to control velocity. The spacing between ditch checks and rock check dams shall be determined as shown in Figure 1 (Article 3.1.2C) or according to manufacturer’s requirements.
3.2.2 Erosion Control

A. Erosion control can be done through several measures that:

- limit the exposure duration of the unprotected soil to the erosion factors, and/or

- ensure the proper temporary and permanent soil protection; i.e., through vegetative measures or structural measures.

B. The following general criteria shall be used for the design of vegetative and structural erosion control measures as part of Illinois Tollway projects.

1. All necessary erosion and sediment control measures shall be constructed and functional prior to initiating clearing, grading, stripping, excavating, or fill activities. Illinois Tollway Standard K1 and Section M Base Sheet Drawings contain the general rules that shall be followed and the standard symbols that shall be used for the erosion and sediment control measures.

2. Disturbed areas are to be protected from erosion in a timely manner. Erosion stabilization measures shall be initiated within 1 day, in portions of the site where construction activities have temporarily or permanently ceased, except portions of the construction site where activities will resume within 14 days (e.g., the total time period that construction activity is temporarily ceased will be less than 14 days). Adjacent sediment control measures shall remain continuously in place during construction.

Same day stabilization is to be implemented as outlined in the Illinois Tollway Supplemental Specification Article 280.15(c). Same day stabilization is typically used to minimize erosion and the movement of soils at those areas shown on the plans or directed by the CM. Same day stabilization is typically performed each day any soil disturbance occurs as a result of Contractor’s operations. The primary method to perform same day stabilization is through the use of Temporary Stabilization with straw mulch, with permanent measures installed at the earliest opportunity. This item generally provides for the additional labor that may be required to perform the continuous soil stabilization work needed to reduce sediment loss where limited space is available for sediment control measures.

3. Site plans shall show the existing vegetation that is to be preserved where possible, and disturbed portions of the site that shall be stabilized. Stabilization
practices shall include temporary seeding, permanent seeding, mulching, geotextiles, sod stabilization, vegetative buffer strips, protection of trees, preservation of mature vegetation, or other appropriate non-vegetative measures.

4. Areas having slopes greater than 1:10 (V:H) shall be stabilized with erosion blankets in combination with permanent seeding as soon as possible. Provide temporary seeding and appropriate mulch or erosion control blanket control measures on all slopes if permanent seeding is not immediately installed.

5. Channel lining shall be provided where the design discharge velocity exceeds the scour velocity of the soil. See Article 4.2.10 B. Treatment of Drainage Channels and Ditches for guidance.

6. Permanent riprap protection and fabric formed concrete mats shall be avoided on Illinois Tollway drainage facilities due to maintenance difficulties. Open cell, articulated concrete block mats or other environmentally friendly methods such as turf reinforcement mats with open patterns and cost effective products shall be considered. Refer to Illinois Tollway *DDM, Ditch and Channel Design* for permanent erosion control measures.

7. Each site shall have stabilized construction entrance(s).

8. In some cases, when there is limited space available for sediment traps or other control measures, “same day stabilization” shall apply.

### 3.2.3 Sediment Control

Sediment is the most common non-point source of pollutants. The design of Illinois Tollway sediment control measures shall consider the following general principles.

**A.** For disturbed areas draining less than 1 acre, filter barriers (including silt fences or equivalent control measures) shall be constructed to control all runoff leaving the site. Generally, these are appropriate sediment control measures for small drainage areas where concentrated flow is not present. Vegetative filter strips, with a minimum width of 50 feet, may be used as an alternative in areas where only sheet flow runoff is expected. In areas of high environmental significance, concentrated flow, or where the ponded water depth may exceed 18 inches, a super silt fence shall be provided.

**B.** For disturbed areas draining more than 1 acre but less than 5 acres, a sediment trap or sediment basin shall be constructed at the down-slope point of the disturbed area. Sediment traps will normally adequately control the sediment in areas where concentrated flow is likely to be present.

**C.** For disturbed areas draining more than 5 acres, a sediment basin shall be provided at the down-slope point of the disturbed area. A maximum of 20 acres may be disturbed at a single time. The sediment traps or basins shall be designed to store 3600 cubic feet per acre for the entire on-site and off-site drainage area tributary to the basin, or as determined necessary by soil erosion calculations. Where reduced sized basins will be used, a general note needs to be added on the erosion control plans indicating that these traps/basins shall need to be cleaned out more frequently.
This shall be properly reflected in the quantity estimate for “Erosion and Sediment Control – Clean-out”.

D. Design of any stormwater detention basin shall be coordinated with the need for sediment traps or basins. If properly designed, located, and maintained, the permanent detention basins can be easily modified to serve as temporary sediment basins until the project area is stabilized.

E. Temporary pipe slope drains shall be used to convey runoff from the top of fill slopes to conveyance systems at the base of slopes as the embankments are constructed. Pipe slope drains are to remain in place until gutters or shoulders are constructed and the slopes are seeded and mulched, or otherwise stabilized.

F. Anionic flocculent polymers (PAMs) may also be applied where extreme turbidity exists and/or as a pre-treatment for sediment laden water, before draining into sediment traps or basins.

All temporary and permanent erosion and sediment control measures shall be inspected, maintained, and repaired as needed to assure effective performance of their intended function. At a minimum, contractor shall inspect measures weekly and within 24 hours of a rainfall event with 0.5 inch or greater of precipitation (5 inches of snow).

Upon completion of construction and/or permanent stabilization, temporary erosion and sediment control measures shall be removed. (Temporary erosion control measures may be left in place for a period of time following construction if construction included rubblized/recycled concrete.) Temporary erosion and sediment control measures cannot be left in place on a permanent basis unless consistent with standards from the Illinois Tollway DDM. In no instance may riprap or ditch checks be left in place unless the CM gets written acceptance from the Illinois Tollway Environmental Unit and it is not a hazard to the motorist.

3.2.4 Control Practices and Applications

For the ESCP to be implemented correctly, practices need to be applied within their intended use. The following is provided to help guide the Designer and CM.

Refer to the latest Illinois Tollway Supplemental Specifications Section 280 for detailed descriptions of control practices and pay items. Refer to Standard K1 and applicable Section M Base Sheet Drawings for control device details and construction notes. The Illinois Urban Manual (IEPA/NRCS) and Bureau of Design and Environmental Manual, Chapter 41 (IDOT) may also be used for reference.

A. Dust Control

Pay items:

JS107361 - APPLY DUST SUPPRESSION AGENTS
JS107362 - SOIL STABILIZERS
Description and Purpose:

This item, discussed in Article 107.36 of the Illinois Tollway Supplemental Specifications, consists of applying water or chemical products to exposed soil surfaces to prevent the movement of dust that may be harmful to human health or the environment. Dust controls reduce the surface and air transport of dust, thereby preventing pollutants from infiltrating into stormwater.

Application:

- This item is to be used to control dust resulting from construction operations exclusively.

- The Designer shall prepare a Dust Control Plan in accordance with Article 107.36 of the Illinois Tollway Supplemental Specifications. The Plans and Special Provisions shall be coordinated with this Dust Control plan.

- Dust Control Watering can provide onsite control of fugitive dust on haul roads and disturbed surfaces on an as-needed basis. The frequency of watering depends on several factors, including weather, soil type, and construction traffic. Water treatment is typically only effective for 0.5 hour to 12 hours. Water shall be applied at a rate so that the soil surface is wet, but not saturated or muddy. If watering is to be employed, conditions shall be monitored to prevent mud from being spread on local streets.

- Dust Control Watering shall consist of the uniform application of sprinkled water, and shall be applied only when directed and in a manner accepted by the CM.

- The Dust Control Watering pay item shall not be used in the compaction of earth embankments.

- Dust Suppression Agents are a mid to long term measure, may require multiple applications per year. They shall be applied according to manufacturers’ recommendations, and according to the guidance in the IDOT Bureau of Design and Environmental Manual, Article 41-2.03.

- Chloride, gypsum or plaster-type sprayable mulches cannot be used without prior acceptance from the Illinois Tollway Environmental Unit.

Also see Section 4 of this Manual – Landscape, for the following items:

- Standard and Illinois Tollway Supplemental Specifications Section 250 – Seeding

- Standard and Illinois Tollway Supplemental Specification Section 251 – Mulch

B. Management of Erosion and Sediment Control

Pay Item:

JS280020 - MANAGEMENT OF EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL
Description and Purpose:

This item, described in Article 280.02 of the Illinois Tollway Supplemental Specifications, consists of the management and maintenance of erosion and sediment control aspects of the project. This item includes inspections, meetings, schedule adherence, maintenance, and repair of erosion and sediment control items. It generally requires no action by the Designer, unless there are unique project conditions requiring a Special Provision.

Application:

- This item is to be used for all projects requiring erosion and sediment control measures for the duration necessary to ensure compliance with NPDES permit, contract plans, and specifications.

C. Erosion and Sediment Control – Excavation

Pay Item:

JS280030 - EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL-EXCAVATION

Description and Purpose:

This item, described in Article 280.03 of the Illinois Tollway Supplemental Specifications, is comprised of earth and rock excavation associated with erosion control construction.

Application:

- This item to be used for excavation of sediment basins, sediment traps, dewatering basins, temporary swales, and temporary channel diversions.
- This item does not include excavation of permanent ditches parallel to the roadway, at the toe of embankments, or at the top of cuts.
- This item includes locating, detailing, constructing, and maintaining concrete truck washout areas within the Contract Limits, as well as their removal and restoration.

D. Erosion and Sediment Control – Cleanout

Pay Item:

JS280040 - EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL-CLEANOUT
Description and Purpose:

This item, described in Article 280.04 of the Illinois Tollway Supplemental Specifications, consists of the excavation required for the removal of accumulated sediment. Sediment shall be removed from devices when 50% full or when 50% of the device height is reached.

Application:

- Use this item whenever Erosion and Sediment Control – Excavation, is used.
- This item also consists of excavation required for the removal of accumulated sediment, vegetation, and debris from traps, basins, and the areas adjacent to silt fences, super silt fences, rectangular inlet protection, filter fabric inlet protection, ditch checks, and any other clean out excavation of accumulated sediment.

E. Silt Fence

Pay Item:

JS280050 - SILT FENCE

Description and Purpose:

A silt fence is a temporary, linear sediment barrier of permeable fabric designed to intercept and slow the flow of sediment-laden sheet flow runoff. Silt fences allow sediment to settle from runoff before water leaves the construction site. This item is described in Article 280.05 of the Illinois Tollway Supplemental Specifications.

Application:

- Silt fences shall be employed:
  - below the toe of exposed and erodible slopes,
  - down-slope of exposed soil areas,
  - around temporary stockpiles, and
  - along streams and channels.
- Silt fences serve little purpose as perimeter fencing, unless they are emplaced to intercept off-site sediment from entering the project. In those cases, permanent sediment interception and control measures should be considered.
- Silt fences help contain water to allow sediment to deposit, they do not filter sediment from runoff water.
This device is to be used to control sheet flow only, do not use for concentrated flows, drainage channels, or above or below drainage pipes.

Maximum drainage area for sheet flow shall not exceed ½ acre per 100 feet of silt fence.

To function properly, silt fences should be constructed along the contour lines to prevent concentration of flow, which increases the likelihood of silt fence failure.

When silt fence is used to create a small containment system, the end posts shall be turned uphill to prevent water from flowing around the ends.

Silt fence barriers shall not be used as mid-slope protection where slopes are steeper than 1:4 (V:H). Sediment rolls shall be used under those conditions.

Silt fence barriers shall not be employed where water ponding behind the silt fence may cause flooding or fence failure, or where washout of the silt fence may cause damage.

Silt build up against the fence is to be inspected within 24 hours of rainfall event with 0.5 inch or greater of precipitation (5 inches of snow) and removed when bulges develop in the fence, or when silt reaches 50% of fence height.

Reference Standard Drawing K1 for additional information.

Additional reference on silt fencing can be found in Article 41-3.01(b) of the IDOT Bureau of Design and Environmental Manual, Chapter 41.

F. Re-Erect Silt Fence

Pay Item:

JS280051 - RE-ERECT SILT FENCE

Description and Purpose:

This item, described in Article 280.05(b) of the Illinois Tollway Supplemental Specifications, consists of re-erecting silt fencing damaged by natural causes.

Application:

This item to be used for replacement of the silt fence that has become damaged or ineffective as a result of natural forces.

Silt fence damaged by the Contractor’s operations or negligence shall not be re-erected under this item.

If damage to silt fence has been caused by high flow volumes, or if damage is anticipated from heavy containment, replacement with super silt fence should be considered.
G. Temporary Swales

Pay Items:

JS280060 - TEMPORARY SWALE, TREATMENT TYPE I
JS280061 - TEMPORARY SWALE, TREATMENT TYPE II
JS280062 - TEMPORARY SWALE, TREATMENT TYPE III

Description and Purpose:

A temporary swale is an excavated drainage way designed to prevent runoff from entering disturbed areas by intercepting and diverting it to a stabilized outlet, or to intercept sediment laden water and divert it to a sediment-trapping device. This item is described in Article 280.06 of the Illinois Tollway Supplemental Specifications. This measure requires the Designer to prepare a design plan detail; reference Illinois Tollway applicable Base Sheet in Section M.

Application:

- To intercept and divert runoff from one undisturbed area to another undisturbed stabilized area at non-erosive velocity.
- To transport off-site flows across disturbed areas such as right-of-way.
- All temporary swales shall have uninterrupted positive grade to an outlet.
- To intercept sediment laden water from a disturbed area and divert it to a sediment trapping device.
- Diverted runoff from an undisturbed area shall outlet directly into an undisturbed, stabilized area at a non-erosive velocity.
- Hydraulic design of temporary swales shall accommodate a 25-year, 24-hour storm frequency. In cases where temporary swale failure would endanger the roadway or other Illinois Tollway facilities, hydraulic design shall accommodate the 50-year event. The lining design shall accommodate a 10-year, 24-hour storm.
- For Temporary Swale, Treatment Type I, consisting of temporary ground cover and a heavy duty erosion control blanket, the maximum channel velocity shall not exceed the manufacturer’s recommended velocity for the erosion blanket. Generally, channel slope should not exceed 3%.
- For Temporary Swale, Treatment Type II, consisting of course aggregate CA3 for ditch lining, 3 inches in thickness over a geotextile filter fabric (designed for use with riprap), pressed into the soil with construction equipment, the maximum channel velocity shall not exceed 3 feet per second. Generally, channel slope should not exceed 5%.
• For Temporary Swale, Treatment Type III, consisting of gradation RR3 riprap in a layer at least 8 inches thick over a geotextile filter fabric (designed for use with riprap), pressed into the soil, the maximum channel velocity shall not exceed 4.5 feet per second. Temporary Swales may require the design of a velocity dissipation device at their outlet, to prevent localized erosion. Generally, channel slope should not exceed 8%.

• Temporary swales may require the design of a velocity dissipation device at their outlet to prevent localized erosion.

• Swales collecting runoff from disturbed areas shall be specified to remain in place until the disturbed areas are permanently stabilized.

• The use of Type II and Type III Treatments shall be approved by the Illinois Tollway Environmental Unit.

• Additional reference on drainage swales can be found in Article 41-2.04(a) of the IDOT Bureau of Design and Environmental Manual, Chapter 41.

H. Stabilized Construction Entrance

Pay Item:

JS280070 - STABILIZED CONSTRUCTION ENTRANCE

Description and Purpose:

A stabilized construction access, described in Article 280.07 of the Illinois Tollway Supplemental Specifications, is defined as a point of entrance/exit to a construction site that is stabilized to reduce the tracking of mud and dirt onto public roads by construction vehicles. Tire wash stations shall be considered where stabilized exits may not sufficiently remove sediment.

Application:

• Place stabilized entrance at all points of construction ingress and egress.

• Reference Standard Drawing K1 for additional information.

• Additional reference on stabilized construction entrances can be found in Article 41-3.06(a) of the IDOT Bureau of Design and Environmental Manual, Chapter 41.

I. Flotation Boom

Pay Item:

JS280080 - FLOTATION BOOM
Description and Purpose:

A flotation boom, described in Article 280.08 of the Illinois Tollway Supplemental Specifications, is designed specifically to contain and control the dispersion of turbidity and silt in a water body caused by marine construction, shoreline work, pile driving, dredging activities, and other site work. Floating turbidity barriers consist of a top flotation boom, a fabric curtain extending downward under water, and a heavy galvanized steel chain sealed into a hem along the bottom of the curtain to provide ballast.

Application:

- This item to be used to control turbidity encountered during construction when working in a stream or waterway.
- Install and anchor floatation boom to one shoreline of stream or waterway in accordance with manufacturer’s recommendations, to prevent drift towards the shore or downstream. Booms shall not be perpendicular to the flow of a flowing body of water.
- Bottom of boom shall be weighted to reach the bottom of the waterway.
- Reference Standard Drawing K1 for additional information.

J. Super Silt Fence

Pay Item:

JS280100 - SUPER SILT FENCE

Description and Purpose:

A super silt fence, described in Article 280.10 of the Illinois Tollway Supplemental Specifications, is designed to handle a higher amount of water and silt runoff or sensitive areas. It features a permeable fabric and chain link fence. Super silt fence is capable of withstanding more severe erosion conditions while providing maximum protection in critical landscapes.

Application:

- This item to be used to protect wetlands and other environmentally sensitive areas.
- This item is to be used to control high sheet flow volumes. Maximum drainage area shall not exceed 1/2 acre per 100 feet of fence. Under sheet flow conditions, Super Silt Fence should be constructed along the contour lines (as with silt fence installation).
- This item shall not be used in ditches or obstruct flow of drainage channels.
• Reference Standard Drawing K1 for additional information.

• Silt build up against fence shall be inspected within 24 hours of rainfall event with 0.5 inch or greater of precipitation (or 5 inch of snow) and removed when bulges develop in the fence, or when silt reaches 50% of fence height.

**K. Temporary Pipe Slope Drain**

**Pay Item:**

JS280110 - TEMPORARY PIPE SLOPE DRAINS

**Description and Purpose:**

A slope drain, described in Article 280.11 of the Illinois Tollway Supplemental Specifications, is a pipe used to intercept and direct surface runoff or groundwater down the face of unstabilized slopes in order to minimize erosion on the slope face. Slope drains discharge into a stabilized watercourse, trapping device, or stabilized area. Slope drains are used with lined ditches to intercept and direct surface flow away from slope areas to protect cut or fill slopes.

Slope drains are generally used in conjunction with earthen dikes (berms) that direct the runoff to the temporary pipe slope drain with flared end section. This measure requires the Designer to prepare a design plan detail. Reference Illinois Tollway Base Sheet in Section M.

**Application:**

• This item shall be used to control erosion on the embankment slope face during construction of the embankment.

• Maintain device in place until shoulders are constructed and embankment slopes are seeded and mulched.

• At the end of each day of embankment construction, temporary pipe slope drain shall be extended to the top of the embankment.

• Discharge from pipe slope drain shall release into sediment trap, into sediment basin, or to a stabilized ditch discharging to a trap or basin.

• Design criteria for capacity, dike, pipe size, spacing, inlet, and outlet shall be in accordance with the *Illinois Urban Manual*.

• Additional reference on slope drains can be found in Article 41-2.04(b) of the IDOT *Bureau of Design and Environmental Manual*, Chapter 41.
L. Tree Protection

Pay Item:
JS280120 - TREE PROTECTION

Description and Purpose:
A tree protection zone, described in Article 280.12 of the Illinois Tollway Supplemental Specifications, is established using temporary fencing in order to protect the critical root area important to the tree’s health.

Application:

• This item to be used to protect trees from disturbance and from equipment traveling over the root zone. It shall be used for trees identified to be protected in the Tree Preservation Plans.

• Tree protection should be erected for single trees, or around groups of trees, according to the judgment of the Designer.

• Tree protection fence shall be high visibility plastic or other approved material that can last through the duration of the protection period.

• Tree protection shall be constructed as part of Initial Construction, prior to starting grading.

• Locate fence outside the drip line of the tree or trees to be saved, and in no case closer than 5 feet to the trunk of any tree.

• Reference Standard Drawing K1 for additional information.

• See Standard Specifications Section 201 – Clearing, Tree Removal and Protection, Care and Repair of Existing Plant Material.

M. Temporary Riprap

Pay Items:
JS280140 - TEMPORARY RIPRAP
28200200 - FILTER FABRIC

Description and Purpose:
Riprap, described in Article 280.14 of the Illinois Tollway Supplemental Specifications, is a layer of large stones used to protect soil from erosion in areas of concentrated runoff. Riprap can also be used on slopes that are unstable because of seepage problems. This item consists of placing a geotextile fabric and a protective coating of dumped or hand-laid stone for rock check dams, stone outlet structure sediment traps, dewatering basins, temporary swales, diversion dikes, and aggregate berms as shown on the Plans, and
the removal of the riprap and geotextile upon completion of the need for these temporary facilities. Temporary erosion control measures cannot be left in place on a permanent basis unless consistent with standards from the Illinois Tollway DDM and it is not a hazard to the motorist. In addition, the CM shall obtain written acceptance from the Illinois Tollway Environmental Unit for the allowance of the use of temporary erosion control measures on a permanent basis.

Application:

- Use riprap to stabilize cut-and-fill slopes; channel side slopes and bottoms; inlets and outlets for culverts, bridges, slope drains, grade stabilization structures, storm drains; streambanks and grades; and as rock check dams.

- Temporary erosion control measures cannot be left in place on a permanent basis unless consistent with standards from the Illinois Tollway DDM.

- In no instance may riprap or ditch checks be left in place unless the CM gets written approval from the Illinois Tollway Environmental Unit. In no instance shall riprap be located in the clear zone.

- Riprap installations shall be designed to accommodate the flow velocity, and shall be designed in accordance with Article 41-2.05(a) of the IDOT Bureau of Design and Environmental Manual, Chapter 41, and the IDOT Drainage Manual.

- Filter fabric is to be installed under all riprap.

N. Temporary Stabilization with Straw Mulch

Pay Item:

JS280150 - TEMPORARY STABILIZATION WITH STRAW MULCH

Description and Purpose:

Seed stabilization with straw mulch and tackifier, described in Article 280.15 of the Illinois Tollway Supplemental Specifications, consists of placing temporary seed followed by a uniform layer of straw and anchoring it with a stabilizing tackifier. This method is used as a temporary erosion control method to stabilize the soil and reduce erosion caused by wind and water.

Application:

- This item is for the combination of both temporary seed and temporary mulching of areas that cannot at the time be stabilized with permanent vegetative measures.

- This item shall be used for temporary erosion control where slopes are 1:3 (V:H), or flatter.
• Erosion control blanket or alternate mulch methods should be considered for temporary erosion control on steeper slopes when temporary stabilization with straw mulch are not effective

• Gypsum or plaster-type sprayable tackifiers shall not be used without prior approval from the Illinois Tollway Environmental Unit.

• This item shall not be used in areas where concentrated flows occur. In those cases, consider the use of Erosion Blanket, Turf Reinforcement Mat (With open patterns), sodding, or sediment control devices.

• Provide if a portion of the work is to be exposed without activity for more than 14 days. (See Article 3.1.2 D. Soils, Excavation, and Disturbed Areas.)

• Additional reference on straw mulch can be found in Article 41-2.02(a) of the IDOT Bureau of Design and Environmental Manual, Chapter 41.

O. Same Day Stabilization

Pay Item:

JS280151 - SAME-DAY STABILIZATION

Description and Purpose:

Same day stabilization is to be implemented as outlined in the Illinois Tollway Supplemental Specification Article 280.15(c). Same day stabilization is typically used to minimize erosion and the movement of soils at those areas shown on the plans or directed by the CM. Same day stabilization is typically performed each day for any area of soil disturbed as a result of Contractor’s operations. The primary method to perform same day stabilization is through the use of Temporary Stabilization with Straw Mulch, with permanent measures installed at the earliest opportunity. This item generally provides for the additional labor that may be required to perform the continuous soil stabilization work needed to reduce sediment loss where limited space is available for sediment control measures.

Application:

• Same day stabilization is to be implemented when perimeter and secondary controls are not in place due to limited available work space or in environmentally sensitive areas.

• Same day stabilization may consist of either temporary erosion control measures or the permanent landscaping indicated on the plan. The permanent landscaping shall be implemented as the same day stabilization whenever possible. This means that the Contractor shall stage his work so that portions of the slopes and ditches can be brought to finished grade, topsoiled, and landscaped prior to the end of the workday.
• When permanent landscaping is not possible, due either to construction staging or specification constraints, same day stabilization shall consist of temporary erosion control measures. The primary erosion control method used along with same day stabilization during grading operations shall be Temporary Stabilization with straw mulch.

• The Designer shall indicate on the plans which specific items or limits are subject to Same Day Stabilization.

P. Diversion Dike

Pay Items:

JS280160 - DIVERSION DIKE, TREATMENT TYPE I
JS280161 - DIVERSION DIKE, TREATMENT TYPE II
JS280162 - DIVERSION DIKE, TREATMENT TYPE III

Description and Purpose:

A diversion dike, described in Article 280.16 of the Illinois Tollway Supplemental Specifications, is an earthen perimeter control consisting of a ridge of compacted soil, often accompanied by a ditch or swale at the top or base of a sloping disturbed area, constructed to control the velocity of or route sediment-laden stormwater runoff. This measure requires the Designer to prepare a design plan detail. Reference Illinois Tollway Base Sheet in Section M.

When on the upslope side of a site, earthen perimeter controls help to prevent surface runoff from entering a disturbed construction site. An earthen structure located upslope can improve working conditions on a construction site. It can prevent an increase in the total amount of sheet flow runoff traveling across the disturbed area and thereby lessen erosion on the site.

Earthen perimeter control structures also can be located on the downslope side of a site. They divert sediment-laden runoff created onsite to onsite sediment-trapping devices, preventing sediment from leaving the disturbed area.

Application:

• To intercept and divert runoff from an undisturbed area to an undisturbed stabilized area at non-erosive velocity.

• To intercept sediment laden water and divert it to a sediment trapping device.

• All dikes shall have positive drainage to an outlet.

• Design criteria shall be in accordance with the Illinois Urban Manual.

• Dike and embankment flow stabilization dimensioning to be sized for the drainage area.
• Design capacity to carry the peak runoff for a 100-year, 24-hour storm frequency.

• Earth dikes shall have an outlet that functions with a minimum of erosion. Runoff shall be conveyed to a sediment trapping device such as a sediment trap or sediment basin where either the dike channel or the drainage area above the dike is adequately stabilized.

• Diverted runoff from an undisturbed area shall outlet to an undisturbed, stabilized area at a non-erosive velocity.

• For Diversion Dike, Treatment Type I, consisting of temporary ground cover and a heavy duty erosion control blanket, the maximum channel velocity shall not exceed the manufacturer’s recommended velocity for the erosion blanket.

• For Diversion Dike, Treatment Type II, consisting of course aggregate CA3 for ditch lining, 3 inches in thickness over a geotextile filter fabric (designed for use with riprap), pressed into the soil with construction equipment, the maximum channel velocity shall not exceed 3 feet / second.

• For Diversion Dike, Treatment Type III, consisting of gradation RR3 riprap in a layer at least 8 inches thick over a geotextile filter fabric (designed for use with riprap), pressed into the soil, the maximum channel velocity shall not exceed 4.5 feet / second.

• The use of Type II and Type III Treatments shall be approved by the Illinois Tollway Environmental Unit.

• Diversion dikes may require the design of a velocity dissipation device at their outlet, to prevent localized erosion.

• Additional reference on diversion dikes can be found in Article 41-2.04(a) of the IDOT Bureau of Design and Environmental Manual, Chapter 41.

Q. Dewatering Basins

Pay Items:

JS280030 - EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL-EXCAVATION
JS280040 - EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL-CLEANOUT
JS280140 - TEMPORARY RIPRAP
JS280190 - GEOTEXTILE FABRIC, CLASS C

Description and Purpose:

Dewatering basins, described in Article 280.17 of the Illinois Tollway Supplemental Specifications, are structures designed to settle sediment from stormwater before it enters receiving waters. This measure requires the Designer to prepare a design plan detail. Reference Illinois Tollway Base Sheet in Section M.
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Application:

- A dewatering basin shall be installed wherever the Contractor is removing and discharging water from excavated areas on the construction site and the water is not being routed through an adequately sized sediment trap or sediment basin. The purpose of the basin is to temporarily store the discharged water and to release it in a manner that causes the sediment laden water to be filtered prior to release into a natural drainage way or stabilized conveyance.

- The minimum storage capacity of the Dewatering Basin in cubic feet shall be the dewatering pump capacity in gallons per minute times 32 or the minimum size: 10 feet x 10 feet x 3 feet in depth, whichever is more stringent.

- Sediment to be removed when the basin is 50% full.

R. Rectangular Inlet Protection

Pay Item:

JS280180 - RECTANGULAR INLET PROTECTION

Description and Purpose:

Rectangular Inlet Protection, described in Article 280.18 of the Illinois Tollway Supplemental Specifications, is used at storm drain inlets located in unpaved areas, and that are subject to runoff from construction activities. They are used to detain and/or filter sediment-laden runoff to allow sediment to settle and/or filter prior to discharge into storm drainage systems or watercourses.

Application:

- This device is to be used to protect existing and new inlets, catch basins, and manholes with open lids in non-paved areas.

- Maximum drainage area to each rectangular inlet protection device shall not exceed 1 acre.

- If Contractor prefers, super silt fence can be constructed around the inlet.

- Sediment shall be removed when silt reaches 50% of fence height.

- Reference Standard Drawing K1 for additional information.

S. Geotextile Fabric

Pay Item:

JS280190 - GEOTEXTILE FABRIC, CLASS C
Description and Purpose:

Geotextile fabric, described in Article 280.19 of the Illinois Tollway Supplemental Specifications, is an engineered textile designed to reinforce soil structures and to separate fine grained from coarse grained materials.

Application:

- Geotextile fabric placed atop the ground surface is used to increase soil stability and provide for slope and fill erosion control.
- Geoweb is a cellular confinement structure used to stabilize infill and controls shearing, as well as lateral and vertical movement for a load support system. Acting like a semi-rigid slab, it provides a stable base for unpaved surfaces for construction equipment loading.
- Additional reference on Geotextile Fabric can be found in Standard Specifications Article 1080.02.

T. Filter Fabric Inlet Protection

Pay Item:

JS280205 - FILTER FABRIC INLET PROTECTION, COVER TYPE
JS280210 – FILTER FABRIC INLET PROTECTION, BASKET TYPE

Description and Purpose:

Fabric Filter Protection devices, described in Article 280.20 of the Illinois Tollway Supplemental Specifications, are used at storm drain inlets in paved areas that are subject to runoff from construction activities. They are used to detain and/or filter sediment-laden runoff and to allow sediment to settle, and/or to filter sediment prior to discharge into storm drainage systems or watercourses. The device consists of inlet basket and fabric insert, or inlet dam placed in front of curb inlet.

Application:

- Inlet dam shall not be used at pavement sags.
- This device shall be used to protect existing and new inlets, catch basins, and manholes with open lids in paved areas only.
- Use only within paved areas if disturbed areas drain to paved areas. Use in conjunction with additional upstream protective measures, such as silt fence.
- Sediment shall be removed from fabric inlet basket and insert when 50% of capacity is reached.
- Sediment shall be removed from the perimeter of inlet dam when 50% of dam height is reached.
Field expedient inlet filters comprising a layer of geofabric laid under the inlet cover shall be prohibited.

Reference Standard Drawing K1 for additional information.

Additional reference on inlet filter bags can be found in Article 41-3.02(a) and (b) of the IDOT *Bureau of Design and Environmental Manual*, Chapter 41.

**U. Stone Outlet Structure Sediment Trap**

**Pay Items:**

JS280030 - EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL-EXCAVATION
JS280040 - EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL-CLEANOUT
JS280140 - TEMPORARY RIPRAP
JS280190 - GEOTEXTILE FABRIC, CLASS C

**Description and Purpose:**

A sediment trap, described in Article 280.21 of the Illinois Tollway Supplemental Specifications, is a containment area where sediment laden runoff is temporarily detained under inactive conditions, allowing sediment to settle out before the runoff is discharged. Sediment traps are formed by excavating or constructing an earthen embankment across a low drainage area. This measure requires the Designer to prepare a design plan detail. Reference Illinois Tollway Base Sheet in Section M.

**Application:**

- This practice is to be used to collect sediment laden water in existing, proposed, and temporary ditches/swales of all types.

- Design criteria shall be in accordance with the *Illinois Urban Manual*.

- The detention storage shall be composed of equal volumes of “wet” and “dry” detention storage.

- The wet and dry storage areas shall each be sized according to guidance provided by the *Illinois Urban Manual* or the IDOT *Bureau of Design and Environmental Manual*.

- The minimum length to width ratio for a sediment trap shall be 2:1.

- The spillway weir length shall be determined based on drainage runoff from the contributing areas.

- Maximum drainage area allowed per trap is 5 acres, including both on-site and off-site tributary areas.
- If drainage area is over 5 acres, use a sediment basin or sediment traps in series.
- Sediment shall be removed when the trap is 50% full.
- This work to be paid for as Erosion and Sediment Control – Excavation, Erosion And Sediment Control-Cleanout, Temporary Riprap and Geotextile Fabric, Class C.

V. Sediment Basin

Pay Items:

JS280030 - EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL-EXCAVATION  
JS280040 - EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL-CLEANOUT  
JS280220 - SEDIMENTATION BASIN DEWATERING DEVICE  
JS280140 - TEMPORARY RIPRAP  
JS280190 - GEOTEXTILE FABRIC, CLASS C

Description and Purpose:

A sediment basin, described in Article 280.22 of the Illinois Tollway Supplemental Specifications, is a temporary basin formed by excavating and/or constructing an embankment so that sediment-laden runoff is temporarily detained under inactive conditions, allowing sediment to settle out before the runoff is discharged. This measure requires the Designer to prepare a design plan detail. Reference Illinois Tollway Base Sheet in Section M.

Application:

- Sediment basins are to be used to collect sediment laden water while allowing sediments to settle out.
- When discharging from the sediment basin, utilize outlet structures that withdraw water from the surface in order to minimize the discharge.
- Prevent erosion of the sediment basin using stabilization controls, at the inlet and outlet using erosion controls and velocity dissipation devices.
- Sediment basins shall be designed to facilitate maintenance, including sediment removal from the basins, as necessary.
- The difference between a stone outlet structure sediment trap and a sediment basin is that the former discharges over a riprap weir, while the latter employs a floating outlet structure. The Designer shall select the appropriate type structure based on the project characteristics.
• When a sediment basin aggregate berm is used for outlet control, the detention storage shall be composed of equal volumes of “wet” and “dry” storage.

• Provide storage capacity according to guidance provided by the Illinois Urban Manual or the IDOT Bureau of Design and Environmental Manual. In restrictive ROW areas, the trap can be designed for less storage per acre of runoff with more frequent cleanout of sediment.

• Runoff area includes both on-site and off-site tributary areas.

• Sediment basin shall be used when drainage area exceeds 5 acres.

• Sediment basin aggregate berm shall be used when existing or proposed detention basin or infield area is used for a sediment basin.

• Sediment basins may be designed as temporary basins to provide sediment control during construction, and/or may be designed as permanent sediment controls to remove sediment from stormwater before discharging to outside Illinois Tollway ROW.

• Detention basins shall have an emergency outlet designed to release water levels that exceed basin capacity. This emergency outlet shall allow sediment to be filtered from stormwater prior to release. Both temporary and Permanent Sediment basin emergency outlets shall be designed to pass the 25-year, 24-hour storm.

• Additional reference on sediment basins can be found in Article 41-3.04(b) of the IDOT Bureau of Design and Environmental Manual, Chapter 41.

W. Temporary Ditch Check

Pay Item:

JS280305 - TEMPORARY DITCH CHECKS

Description and Purpose:

A ditch check, described in Article 280.24 of the Illinois Tollway Supplemental Specifications, is a sediment control device constructed across a swale or drainage ditch, or along the contour lines of slopes, to reduce the velocity of flowing water, thereby allowing sediment to settle.

Application:

• Ditch checks shall be used in permanent or temporary ditches.

• Ditch checks shall be used to control flow in existing, proposed, or temporary ditches. Maintain in place until seeding is established.

• Ditch checks shall be placed upstream of sediment basins or sediment traps.
• Spacing (L) between ditch checks shall be determined from the following formula:
  \[ L = \frac{\text{Minimum Height (Feet)}}{\text{Ditch Grade (\%) x 100}} \]  See Figure 1 (Article 3.1.2B)

• Bottom of the ditch check on side slopes shall be a minimum of 12 inches higher than the top of the ditch check in center of the ditch.

• Sediment shall be removed when it reaches 50% of ditch check height.

• Note this pay item is paid per foot.

• Additional reference regarding rolled barrier slope checks can be found in Article 41-3.03(c) of the IDOT Bureau of Design and Environmental Manual, Chapter 41.

X. Temporary Rock Check Dam

Pay Item:

JS280140 - TEMPORARY RIPRAP

Description and Purpose:

Rock Check dams, described in Article 280.25 of the Illinois Tollway Supplemental Specifications, reduce scour and channel erosion by reducing flow velocity and encouraging sediment settlement. A check dam is a small structure constructed of riprap placed across a natural or man-made channel or drainage ditch.

Application:

• This item shall be used to control flow in existing, proposed, or temporary ditches. Maintain in place until permanent ground cover is established.

• Construct Temporary Rock Check Dam on a blanket of geotextile filter fabric in accordance with Article 1030.03 of the Standard Specifications. Blanket shall extend 5 feet beyond upstream and downstream toes, to facilitate cleanup of the aggregate.

• Consider using other measures if access to the area of installation is difficult, if cleanup of stone at end of construction will be difficult, or rock check dam/cleanup will cause environmental damage.

• Spacing (L) between ditch checks to be determined from the following formula:
  \[ L = \frac{\text{Minimum Height (Feet)}}{\text{Ditch Grade (\%) x 100}} \]  See Figure 1 (Article 3.1.2B)

• Maximum drainage area shall not exceed 10 acres to each rock check dam.

• Top of the ditch check in the center of the ditch shall be a minimum of 6 inches lower than top of ditch check at side slope.

• Reference Standard Drawing K1 for additional information.
• Sediment shall be removed when it reaches 50% of the rock check dam height.

• Upon completion of construction and/or permanent stabilization, temporary rock check dam shall be removed. In no instance may riprap or ditch checks be left in place unless the CM gets written acceptance from the Environmental Unit and it is not a hazard to the motorist.

• Additional reference on aggregate ditch checks can be found in Article 41-3.03(a) of the IDOT Bureau of Design and Environmental Manual, Chapter 41.

Y. Culvert Inlet Protection Fence

Pay Item:

JS280100 - SUPER SILT FENCE

Description and Purpose:

Culvert inlet protection is a protective barrier for the immediate area around the inlet of a pipe or culvert subject to erosion. It protects the inlet of the culvert from the transport and deposition of sediment. Culvert inlet protection fence is used to protect against sheet flows.

Application:

• This item to be used to protect culvert inlets from sediment carried by sheet flow.

• Do not use super silt fence in the flow channel.

• Maximum drainage area to the culvert being protected is 1 acre.

• Silt build up against fence shall be inspected within 24 hours of rainfall event with 0.5 inch or greater of precipitation (or 5 inches of snow) and removed when bulges develop in the fence, or when silt reaches 50% of fence height.

• Reference Standard Drawing K1 for additional information.

Z. Culvert Inlet Protection Stone

Pay Items:

JS280140 - TEMPORARY RIPRAP

28200200 - FILTER FABRIC

Description and Purpose:

Culvert inlet protection is a protective barrier for the immediate area around the inlet of a pipe or culvert subject to erosion. It protects the inlet of the culvert from the transport and
deposition of sediment. Culvert inlet protection stone is used to protect against concentrated flows.

Application:

- This item to be used to protect culvert inlets from sediment carried by concentrated or channel flow.
- Design the structure to accommodate the 25-year, 24-hour storm.
- The maximum drainage area to the culvert being protected is 3 acres.
- Construct culvert inlet protection stone on a blanket of geotextile filter fabric blanket; it shall extend 5 feet beyond upstream and downstream toes, to facilitate cleanup of the aggregate.
- Consider using other measures if cleanup of stone at end of construction will be difficult or inlet protection stone/cleanup will cause environmental damage.
- Sediment shall be removed when it reaches 50% of the rock check dam height.
- Reference Standard Drawing K1 for additional information.
- Upon completion of construction and/or permanent stabilization, culvert inlet protection stone shall be removed. In no instance may riprap or ditch checks be left in place unless the CM gets written approval from the Environmental Unit and it is not a hazard to the motorist.
- Additional reference on aggregate ditch checks can be found in Article 41-3.03(a) of the IDOT Bureau of Design and Environmental Manual, Chapter 41.

AA. Creek Buffer Strip and Silt Fence

Pay Items:

JS280100 - SUPER SILT FENCE
JS280305 - TEMPORARY DITCH CHECK
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Description and Purpose:

Creek buffer strips are densely vegetated areas that collect and slow runoff, filtering out sediments and insoluble pollutants, and encourage infiltration. Stormwater flows into a buffer strip through a silt fence and is used as a device to convert concentrated flow into sheet flow. As the runoff flows through the vegetation, its velocity is reduced, resulting in its load of suspended solids being released; buffer strips also promoting infiltration. Buffer strips are uniformly graded and are located down slope from disturbed or impervious areas, or adjacent to waterways.
Application:

- This item to be used to protect streams and wetlands from sediment carried by sheet flow.

- Ideally, buffer strips should be 25 feet wide, but they shall be fit into the available space. Variations from the 25 foot dimension shall be noted on the plans. Verify requirements with Local Approving Agency.

- Provide super silt fence along the edge of the wetland or along the stream bank. Provide 5 feet gaps in the Super Silt Fence, with Temporary Ditch Checks. The gaps are to allow floodwater to flow into the creek without damage to the silt fence.

- Grade the filter strip as uniformly as practical. Minimum slope along the fall line shall be 1%.

- Provide permanent plantings in the buffer strip.

- Reference Standard Drawing K1 for additional information.

BB. Temporary Dewatering Filter Bag

Pay Item:

JT280500 – TEMPORARY DEWATERING FILTER BAG

Description and Purpose:

A Sediment Filter Bag is a geotextile bag fitted with a connection for a dewatering pump discharge hose. Discharge water is filtered through the bag wall, and the sediment is retained in the bag for disposal. This measure requires the Designer to prepare a design plan detail, reference Illinois Tollway Base Sheet in Section M.

Application:

- Dewatering Filter Bag to be considered an alternate for sites where sediment basin installation is problematic.

- Dewatering Filter Bag is to be sized based on volume of water being pumped, quantity and type of sediment, and permeability of the specific bag size.

- Dewatering Filter Bags are best used as sediment filters on pump discharges, where the bag can be matched to the relatively low output of a pump.

- This item should be used where dewatering pumps are employed. Multiple discharges into a single bag are not permitted.

- Locate the Dewatering Filter Bag in areas where discharge from the bag will not cause additional erosion or sediment transport.
- Dewatering Filter Bag shall be replaced when it becomes ½ full of sediment or when sediment has reduced the discharge flow rate below design requirements.

- Locate a ditch check downstream from the Dewatering Filter Bag.

- Secondary containment and/or a rock leveling pad shall be included below or around the bag. See M Base Sheets for details.

- Reference Standard Drawing K1 for additional information.

**CC. Temporary Sediment Control Floc Logs for Dewatering**

**Pay Item:**

JT280510 – FLOC LOG  
JT280530 – IN-LINE FLOCCULATION SYSTEM

**Description and Purpose:**

A floc log is a semi-hydrated block of anionic or nonionic polyacrylamide (PAM) placed in turbid water with suspended sediment. Sediment laden water mixes with the PAM forming a flocculate that settles out of the stormwater. PAMs are manufactured in various forms to be used on specific soil types. The use of a floc log or multiple floc logs within a carefully balanced mixing system and collection area allows for the removal of sediment, thereby reducing turbidity prior to discharge. This measure requires the Designer or a Certified Professional in Erosion and Sediment Control (CPESC) in Lake County to prepare a design and details to ensure the stormwater discharge is clear. Cationic formulations of PAMs are not allowed.

**Application:**

- PAMs removed sediment via a chemical process, and therefore shall be considered when mechanical sediment control methods are not enough to clarify the water.

- Only anionic or nonionic PAMs shall be used.

- The manufacture’s specification, including MSDS sheet and LC-50 testing, shall be submitted to the CM for approval.

- PAMs are soil specific. Soil and water samples from the project location shall be tested with different PAM formulas to ensure the most effective type is used.

- Mixing procedures and required time for mixing vary by site conditions. Follow manufacturer’s directions and consult with an experienced CPESC or Designer.

- PAM system components and floc logs shall be inspected regularly and replaced when no longer effective.
Sediment build up shall be removed when containment area becomes ½ full of sediment or when sediment has reduced the discharge flow rate below design requirements. Material can be re-spread onsite and stabilized.

Floc logs are typically used in conjunction with coffer dam, de-watering, or filter bag items.

### 3.2.5 Permanent Erosion and Sediment Control

For permanent seeding, sodding, mulching, and erosion control blanket for disturbed areas, refer to Section 4 – Landscape Design. Install permanent measures as soon as site conditions allow.

For permanent erosion control measures including riprap, ditch linings, concrete ditch checks, and open cell articulated concrete block mats, see Illinois Tollway *DDM*.

### 3.3 Responsibilities

#### 3.3.1 Illinois Tollway

A. Will facilitate the coordination necessary with EPA, USACE, regulatory agencies, and local governments after the Designer determines and identifies the need for permits.

B. Will provide Illinois Tollway Supplemental Specifications, which are to be used to prepare the ESCP, if requested. (The most recent Illinois Tollway Supplemental Specifications are available on the Illinois Tollway web site.)

C. Will review the plans prepared by the Designer for technical adequacy and confirm that the bid schedule includes the ESCP measures.

D. Illinois Tollway Staff Responsibilities:

  (Description of staff responsibilities can vary by contract and is presented for guidance only.)

1. Illinois Tollway Project Manager – The Project Manager (PM) will be the primary point of contact with the Designer. The PM will be responsible for ensuring that the Designer complies with the directives of this section and for disseminating information and submittals to the appropriate individuals. Permit submittals shall be prepared by the Designer and submitted to the PM. The PM will submit permit applications to the Illinois Tollway Environmental Planner. The CM will ensure that electronic copies of NOI, Incidents of Non-Compliance (IONs), and NOT are filed in the Illinois Tollway’s web-based Program Management e-Builder (WBPM).

2. Illinois Tollway Environmental Planner – The Environmental Planner (EP) will be responsible for ensuring that the PM, and thus the Designer, is aware of how environmental concerns affect the project or study. The EP will review all related submittals, including permit applications, submitted to the Illinois Tollway by the
Designers, and other reports and contract documents as necessary. The EP will be the primary point of contact with state and federal resource and regulatory agencies. The EP will be responsible for filing the NOI, IONs, and NOTs with the IEPA.

3. Illinois Tollway Landscape Architect – The Landscape Architect will primarily administer the Illinois Tollway policy and procedures for the application and planning of natural/constructed elements, vegetation impacts, and erosion/sediment control, with a concern for stewardship, green strategies, and conservation of natural resources.

E. Refer to Article 4.4.1 for additional responsibilities.

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B. Shall define necessary control measures; design control measures utilizing Standard Specifications and Standard Drawings; and shall prepare Plans, Special Provisions, and special Drawings as required.

C. Shall prepare preliminary ESCP by describing the control measures and maintenance of controls for the project site.

D. Shall determine and identify the need for permits for compliance with Federal, County, or local agency requirements.

E. Shall incorporate any special requirements by the County or local agencies into the ESCP and SWPPP.

F. Shall prepare background documentation needed to submit permit applications and fill out the application forms that shall be submitted by Illinois Tollway. Background documentation and application forms shall be submitted to the Illinois Tollway at pre-final plan submittal for review.

G. Shall fill out and submit to the Illinois Tollway the Soil and Erosion Control Checklist Technical Review Form. See Appendix 4 for the form.

H. Shall attend the Erosion and Sediment Control Preconstruction Meeting and give a review of the ESCP. See the Illinois Tollway’s WBPM for the most recent A-40 form.

I. Shall start the NOI by completing the owner, construction site, type of construction, historic preservation and endangered species compliance, and receiving waters information sections.

J. Refer to Article 4.4.2 for additional responsibilities.
3.3.3 Construction Manager (CM)

A. Will be responsible for scheduling and holding the Erosion and Sediment Control Preconstruction Meeting. If the project involves an USACE 404 permit, notify the County Soil and Water Conservation District or, in Lake County, the Stormwater Management Commission. Will ensure that meeting minutes and attendance sheets are uploaded to the Illinois Tollway’s WBPM. See Article 3.5.2, Preconstruction Meeting, for list of attendees. See the Illinois Tollway’s WBPM for the most recent version of form A-40.

B. Will be responsible for providing qualified personnel to inspect installation and maintenance of the measures identified in the ESCP until the site has been stabilized with final landscaping.

C. Will review ESCP plans and specifications for thoroughness and constructability issues, obtain the Contractor(s) signature on the SWPPP (Special Provision 111.2), and obtain credentials of the Contractor’s Erosion and Sediment Control Manager at the Preconstruction Meeting.

D. Working in conjunction with the Contractor, will develop the finalized NOI and provide same to the Illinois Tollway Environmental Unit. The NOI will be finalized by completing the contractor information, dates of construction start/end, and any missing information from the type of construction information sections. Will ensure that NOI is uploaded to the Illinois Tollway’s WBPM and the Illinois Tollway Environmental Unit submits same to the IEPA.

E. Will ensure that the ESCP is installed in accordance with the plans and specifications and will consult with the Designer or other Illinois Tollway designated representative if the ESCP needs to be adjusted or modified.

F. Shall review any proposed changes to the ESCP against the Erosion Control Manual and the Illinois Tollway DDM prior to approving any changes. The proposed changes shall be consistent with Illinois Tollway standards. The CM shall not approve nor permit leaving temporary erosion control measures in place on a permanent basis, unless consistent with standards from the Illinois Tollway DDM and it is not a hazard to the motorist. In no instance may riprap or ditch checks be left in place unless the CM gets written acceptance from the Environmental Unit.

G. Will inspect (or appoint a dedicated person to act in his stead) the installed measures in cooperation with the Contractor’s Erosion and Sediment Control Manager/Inspector for necessary maintenance at least once every 7 calendar days and within 24 hours of a rainfall event with 0.5 inch of precipitation or greater (5 inches of snow). The CM, in conjunction with the Contractor’s Erosion and Sediment Control Manager/Inspector, will prepare an inspection report after each inspection. A photographic log of these inspections will be maintained with the inspection forms. See the Illinois Tollway’s WBPM for the most recent version of the A-38 inspection form.

H. Will ensure that roadway is kept clean and any trucks exiting the work zone do not have excess dirt or debris on the tires.
I. If the inspections determine concrete fines are discharging as a result of roadway reconstruction, the CM shall ensure that the discharge does not exit the right-of-way. Additionally, the CM shall immediately test the pH levels of the affected discharge runoff to determine the average pH levels. Where pH levels exceed 9.0, the CM shall recommend remediation strategy to reduce the alkalinity to acceptable levels before allowing it to exit the ROW or discharge to environmentally sensitive locations.

J. Will provide the Illinois Tollway EP with an electronic copy of the completed NOI and SWPPP. These documents will be submitted a minimum of 35 days prior to start of construction.

K. Will fill out any ION forms and provide to Illinois Tollway Environmental Unit for submittal to the IEPA. See Appendix 1 for forms.

L. Will provide the Illinois Tollway EP with a copy of the NOT when construction site has achieved 70% stabilization with permanent landscaping.

M. Will complete the A-40 form (Erosion and Sediment Control Preconstruction Meeting Agenda) and ensure that it is filed in the Illinois Tollway’s WBPM.

N. Will ensure that ESCP, SWPPP, Erosion and Sediment Control schedule, signed Contractor Certification Statements, A-38s, A-40, and any IONs are filed in the Illinois Tollway WBPM.

O. Refer to Article 4.4.3 for additional responsibilities.

3.3.4 Contractor

A. Shall appoint an Erosion and Sediment Control Manager/Inspector (ESCM). This employee shall be thoroughly experienced in all aspects of erosion and sediment control and construction. This employee shall have the primary responsibility and sufficient authority for the implementation of the approved erosion and sediment control schedules and methods of operation. At least 10 days prior to the beginning of work, the name and credentials of this employee shall be submitted to the CM for acceptance.

B. If it is determined that concrete fines are discharging into the ditch, in cooperation with the CM, the Contractor’s Erosion and Sediment Control Manager/Inspector shall ensure that no discharge of noted sediments occurs from the Illinois Tollway ROW. Additionally, if directed by the CM, shall take action to ensure the pH of the contaminated stormwater does not exceed 9.0.

C. Shall attend, and support the CM in coordinating a pre-construction erosion and sediment control meeting at least five business days prior to start of work.

D. Shall finalize the preliminary ESCP provided by the Designer. Finalize the ESCP by providing missing details related to the ESC control measures and maintenance of controls for the project site. Copy of completed ESCP to be provided to the Illinois Tollway CM within 21 days of Notice of Award and prior to any ground disturbing activities.
E. Shall provide support to the CM to finalize the NOI.

F. Shall develop a SWPPP, Erosion and Sediment Control schedule, and sign Contractor Certification Statements. SWPPP, Erosion and Sediment Control schedule, and Contractor Certification Statement to be submitted to the Illinois Tollway CM within 21 days of Notice of Award and prior to any ground disturbing activities.

G. Shall install all the required measures of the plan detailed ESCP and additional measures as directed by the CM.

H. All NPDES documents are to be kept at the CM Field Office and on the Illinois Tollway’s WBPM for viewing by inspectors or the public.

3.3.5 Contractor’s Erosion and Sediment Control Manager/Inspector (ESCM)

A. Shall have sufficient training and experience to carry out all aspects of erosion control during construction. This person is required to have taken an approved sediment and erosion control training course and have an approved certification on Erosion and Sediment Control. Examples of qualifications for this position include CPESC and Certified Erosion, Sediment and Stormwater Inspector (CESSWI). Reference CM manual Article 5.1.2.2.9 for approved certification sources on Erosion and Sediment Control training.

B. Shall attend all Erosion Control Field Meetings.

C. Shall attend Preconstruction Erosion and Sediment Control Meeting, prior to any soil disturbance.

D. Shall participate in erosion control inspections weekly and within 24 hours of a rainfall event with 0.5 inch or greater of precipitation (5 inches of snow).

E. Shall be responsible for identifying the need for any required maintenance or repairs. Shall be responsible for identifying the need for any changes to the erosion and sediment control plans. Shall be responsible for confirming appropriate corrective action was taken.

F. Shall participate in preparing A-38 weekly inspection forms for every inspection. A-38 inspection forms shall include a log of color photographs for every inspection.

G. Shall ensure that all A-38 forms and accompanying photographs are maintained in the project file. Electronic copies of these forms shall also be filed in the Illinois Tollway’s WBPM.

3.4 Permits and Approvals

The Designer shall prepare background documentation needed to submit permit applications and shall prepare the application forms for submittal by Illinois Tollway.
3.4.1 National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES)

A General NPDES Permit for Stormwater Discharges from Construction Site Activities, NOI is required for any project with a disturbance of 1 acre or more. If a single project involves a cumulative disturbance of 1 acre or more, such as a program of repair/replacement of guardrail at numerous locations, a permit is required.

The NOI shall be submitted for each individual design section project so the permit can be closed out by submittal of a NOT (by the CM) after that section is complete. For NPDES forms, refer to Appendix 1.

An electronic copy of the NOI shall be provided to the Illinois Tollway Environmental Planner a minimum of 35 days prior to the start of construction.

A permit will not be required for projects that consist of only resurfacing or patching, or ditch or pond cleanings if the soil is not redeposited on the land. Refer to Article 2.2 for projects that do not require a permit.

3.4.2 Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD)

If an USACE Section 404 Permit is required, a review of the ESCP may be required by the County Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) in order to obtain the USACE Permit. Coordination with the SWCD will be on a case by case basis as directed by the Illinois Tollway Environmental Unit. The SWCD submittal shall include the application form, permit review fee, site plan checklist, narrative checklist, and narrative. The application form can be obtained at the appropriate County’s stormwater management web page. The Designer shall obtain current forms and fee schedule from the appropriate SWCD.

The Designer shall determine the disturbed area involved and the required permit review fee. The fee will be paid for by the Designer and reimbursed by the Illinois Tollway.

3.4.3 County Stormwater Management Agency (CSMA)

A review of the ESCP and a permit may be required from the CSMA. The Designer shall obtain the latest requirements from the County.

3.4.4 Municipalities

The CSMA generally handles the ESCP review. In some cases, the municipality is designated a waiver community and performs the review. The Designer shall determine which agency governs and shall obtain the requirements from that agency.

3.5 Construction Requirements

3.5.1 General

The Illinois Tollway requires that the Contractor assign an employee to the project to serve as an ESCM. This employee shall be experienced and have satisfactorily completed an Erosion and Sediment Control Training program. Proof of compliance with the above shall be provided at the Preconstruction Meeting.
A. Prior to construction, it is important that all parties responsible for implementing the ESCP understand why the proposed measures are needed, and how they must be installed, operated, and maintained.

B. If during construction, adjustments or modifications to the ESCP are necessary, the adjustments or modifications shall be reviewed and accepted by the CM or his representative. A copy of the revised ESCP shall be kept on-site during construction.

C. During construction, an adequate inspection, maintenance, and prompt repair program shall be implemented by the Contractor.

D. After construction is completed, the temporary erosion control measures shall be removed, as called for in the plan, and the final permanent measures installed. Temporary erosion control measures cannot be left in place on a permanent basis unless consistent with standards, the Illinois Tollway DDM, and approved by the Illinois Tollway CM. In no instance may riprap or ditch checks be left in place unless the CM gets written acceptance from the Environmental Unit and it is not a hazard to the motorist.

E. A maximum of 20 acres is allowed to be disturbed at a single time. See Standard K1 Drawing general notes for exceptions. In addition, stabilization of cut or fill slopes is required whenever the cut or fill activity reaches 8’ vertically, or the finished slope equals 50’, whichever is more restrictive.

F. All construction personnel (including the CM) shall be required to wear highly visible fluorescent orange, fluorescence yellow/green, or a combination of fluorescent orange and fluorescent yellow/green vests at all times while on the construction site. These vests shall meet the requirements of ANSI/ISEA 107-2004 for Conspicuity Class 2 garments.

G. Projects that will disturb 1 acre or more of total land area are subject to the statewide general NPDES Stormwater Permit for Construction Site Activities. The Contractor shall complete and sign the Contractor Certification Statement in Special Provision 111.2 indicating that he understands the requirements of the NPDES Permit and the SWPPP.

H. The Designer and CM should be aware that the permitting authority may elect to make periodic on-site inspections, especially at the main stages of the project or after completion of the following construction stages:

1. upon completion of installation of sediment and runoff control measures, prior to proceeding with any other earth disturbance or grading,

2. after stripping and clearing,

3. after rough grading,

4. after final grading,

5. after seeding and landscaping, or
6. after final stabilization and landscaping, prior to the removal of temporary sediment control measures.

If a permitting authority does make an on-site inspection, the CM shall notify the Illinois Tollway Environmental Unit and provide an inspection report indicating the results of the inspection.

I. Inspection of the construction site shall be performed by qualified personnel familiar with the current Illinois Tollway erosion and sediment control practices, as well as the other regulatory agency requirements. Inspections to determine necessary maintenance shall be done by the CM in cooperation with the Contractor’s ESCM at least once every 7 calendar days and within 24 hours of a rainfall event with 0.5 inch of precipitation or greater (5 inches of snow).

The IEPA’s General NPDES Permit No. ILR10 is a required reference for completing inspections.

ESCMs shall complete an A-38 form and create a photographic log of the inspection. This log shall be attached to the A-38 form and both shall be saved as part of the project file.

See the Illinois Tollway's WBPM for the most recent version of the A-38 inspection form.

J. Hard copies of the A-38 form and the photographic log of the inspections shall be given to both the Contractor and the CM in writing. Electronic copies of same shall be filed in the Illinois Tollway’s WBPM.

3.5.2 Preconstruction Erosion and Sediment Control Meeting

A Preconstruction Erosion and Sediment Control Meeting shall be held prior to any land disturbance to discuss the Erosion and Sediment Control Plan, the Landscape Plan, project permits, Contractor’s schedule, installation of controls, and inspections to be performed. The Contractor’s Certification Statement is to be signed at this Meeting.

A. The Preconstruction Erosion and Sediment Control Meeting shall be attended by the DSE, Landscape DSE, CM, Illinois Tollway Coordinator, Contractor’s ESCM, and the Contractor’s erosion/landscape subcontractor. Minutes and the sign-in sheet shall be uploaded to the WBPM. See the Illinois Tollway’s WBPM for the most recent version of the A-40 form.

B. If the project involves an USACE 404 permit, notify and invite the SWCD, NRCS, and the USACE. In Lake County, contact the Stormwater Management Commission.

C. The Preconstruction Erosion and Sediment Control Meeting shall include an onsite field review of the ESCP.
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SECTION 4.0 LANDSCAPE

4.1 Design Factors and Data Requirements

4.1.1 Design Approach

The Landscape DSE shall consider any Context Sensitive Solutions (CSS) developed in previous design phases as a basis for the design approach to a project. The Designer shall identify the need and purpose, while incorporating design standards, flexibility, safety, aesthetics, environmental stewardship, and community sensitivity with the goal of constructing safe roadways that improve mobility, while enhancing the qualities of place.

A. Inventory and Data Collection

The Landscape DSE shall work with the Illinois Tollway PM, EP, Landscape Architect, and other members of the project team to carry out an in-the-field investigation to systematically examine the site, collect data, and then analyze the existing site conditions, along with data developed during previous design or planning stages. The existing landscape character shall be examined and an Existing Vegetative Assessment (EVA) carried out, if needed. The main components of the landscape, built and natural, shall be identified and recorded on a Field Analysis Map, in a brief written narrative, and by taking photographs or making sketches. The information distilled from the field analysis shall be recorded on the Issues and Opportunities Schematic.

The EVA is typically generated in the Master planning stage for use and further evaluation in planning and design. The EVA may include a Tree Stand Delineation and/or Tree Survey map.

The Tree Stand Delineation is a general accounting of existing vegetation, both in quality and quantity. It shall provide an overview of the tree groupings, other natural attributes, and limitations of the site. General information may include groupings of similar trees, individual trees of significance, and important roles or value of the vegetative groupings.

Where more detailed and precise information is needed, a Tree Survey may be necessary. The map resulting from the tree survey shall identify and briefly describe all trees of importance, show tree species, trunk diameter, and base locations with elevations of each tree so potential impacts of grade changes can be easily determined.

B. Issues and Opportunities Schematic

The Issues and Opportunities Schematic shall delineate the following:

- the identification, by text and illustration (photograph or graphic image), of the landscape character of the project and adjacent sites and surrounding land use;
- landscape features to be preserved or that may influence the design;
• integration of maintenance and safety requirements;
• opportunities to include Illinois Tollway initiatives, such as the Pollinator Program or the Chicago Region Trees Initiative;
• any important viewsheds that are to be protected or enhanced;
• any important features, natural or built, within or outside the Illinois Tollway ROW that may influence the design shall be identified and recorded;
• aesthetic opportunities and views to or from the site that should be screened;
• natural plant divisions;
• historic features or influences;
• topographic and hydraulic features, including existing runoff patterns and erosion control deficiencies;
• the overall strengths and weaknesses of the site and potential design opportunities; and
• identification of any agencies, municipalities, community groups, or individuals that the design team will have to coordinate with to achieve a successful landscape design.

4.1.2 Design Concept Development

The landscape design concept shall be developed in conjunction with the overall design team. Particular attention shall be paid to developing a single clear landscape concept that unites and uses drainage, grading, and planting to maximize functional effect. The design concept shall take into account the information obtained from the Site Analysis and the Issues and Opportunities Schematic. Additional site visits shall be carried out to evaluate preliminary concepts as they are developed by the team. Special attention shall be given to working with and reducing the impact on the existing ecological systems and areas surrounding the site, to seek out aesthetic and functional opportunities, and to maintain a high level of environmental stewardship. The design shall be as self-maintaining as possible. The Designer shall inform the Illinois Tollway PM of any agencies, municipalities, community groups, or individuals that the Landscape DSE should coordinate with to achieve a successful landscape design.

The following are the minimum requirements to be considered for the Landscape Design Concept Submittal. The submittal shall be developed to a 30% level of completeness:
• a site location map;
• a table of suggested and required agency, municipality, groups, or individuals with whom coordination is desirable;
• a table of potential utility conflicts;
• an Issues and Opportunities Schematic plan, and/or conceptual drawings;
A narrative report describing the desired and agreed upon general landscape character and landscape goals for each of the project’s target areas. The narrative shall explain how existing site conditions, as provided in the Issues and Opportunities Schematic, have been addressed; the project overview; the landscape concept and proposed options; how the desired landscape character will be accomplished; maintenance; suggested opportunities; any proposed changes to the drainage and grading design; and a discussion of the pros and cons of any alternates that are included in the submission;

A plan view showing the conceptual layout of the proposed landscape design, suggested planting, and mowing pattern treatments (see Appendix 6 for Illinois Tollway’s Roadside Mowing Policy). The plan or plans shall be coordinated with drainage and grading design concepts and any utility layouts to ensure the development of a single, clear landscape design and the avoidance of any future conflicts on-site;

views to or from the site that should be screened, and any important viewsheds that are to be protected or enhanced, shall be indicated on the plans;

cross sections or enlargements shall display the viability of the conceptual design;

the plans shall be at a maximum 1 inch = 100 feet scale to represent the overall concept and typical landscape treatments, and at a minimum of 1 inch = 50 feet to adequately represent typical segments of the concept where additional detail is desirable;

a list or copies of the relevant information and design criteria collected through the coordination process;

a list of plant types intended to be used, including appropriate background information, if needed;

a rough cost estimate; and

any additional information required by Illinois Tollway PM.

Prepare and submit the Landscape Design Submittal Checklist, Section A, Landscape Design Concept Submittal located in Appendix 7.

4.1.3 Use of Design Factors and Data Requirements

The Landscape Design Section Engineer (Landscape DSE) shall use an integrative approach and these Design Factors provided as a guide in developing innovative design solutions for project conditions. The Landscape DSE shall consider all design elements of the roadway landscape and create a facility that is functional in overall form and detail, while providing appropriate aesthetics. Grading, safety, visual quality, erosion control, environmental issues, materials, and maintenance practices are some of the design elements that must be considered. Every factor may not apply to all projects, nor will those described in this section cover all project situations. However, all landscape designs shall be developed in conjunction
with the drainage, grading, utilities, and erosion control concepts; and with an overall commitment to protect, preserve, and enhance environmental resources, while applying green strategies and promoting environmental sustainability. Contracts including landscape disturbance or addition of trees, shrubs, environmental mitigation, or protection shall include a Registered Landscape Architect licensed in the State of Illinois with roadway experience throughout the design process. The final plans for landscape improvement contracts shall be signed and sealed by a Registered Landscape Architect, licensed in State of Illinois.

A. Application of Design Factors

The application of the criteria to projects will depend on the scope and type of proposed improvements as follows:

- Landscape improvement projects: The design factors and data requirements in this document shall be applied.
- Rehabilitation/reconstruction, widening, or lane addition projects: The design factors and data requirements shall be used in the design of the project section to correct any deficiencies identified in the proposed improvement and to ensure that the completed project has a coordinated design intent.

B. Illinois Tollway Publications to be Referenced

Reference shall be made to the current editions of following Illinois Tollway publications when designing any landscape installation.

- *Environmental Studies Manual,*
- Erosion and Sediment Control sections of this manual,
- *Drainage Design Manual,*
- *Design Section Engineer’s Manual,* and
- other publications as directed by Illinois Tollway.

4.1.4 Preliminary Plans and Special Provisions

The landscape design shall be developed by a Landscape Architect registered in Illinois, in conjunction with the overall design team, and shall be coordinated with and complimentary to the proposed drainage, grading, and lighting designs. Any alternative drainage systems and grading solutions proposed shall be described in the text and displayed in plan and cross section format. All planting plans shall be coordinated with any utility drawings to eliminate potential conflicts. The background documentation maintained by the Designer shall meet the requirements in the Illinois Tollway *Environmental Studies Manual.* The documentation shall also identify any special requirements used to select specific measures.

The following are the minimum requirements for the Preliminary Landscape Design Submittal. The submittal shall contain a minimum of the following, which shall be developed to a 60% level of completeness:
• a comment disposition log that addresses each and all Illinois Tollway comments from the previous submittal;

• site location map and construction area map;

• plan views showing the layout of the overall landscape design. The overall design shall be delineated at a scale of 1 inch = 50 feet, and at 1 inch = 20 feet in areas where additional detail is required (see Appendix 8 for example). The plans shall be coordinated with and complimentary to the proposed drainage, grading, and utility drawings;

• tree preservation plan that will include existing tree locations; size; species; methods of protection, including fencing and wrapping; and a defined safe area needed to protect tree root structures of trees to be protected based on the analysis of the existing vegetative assessment;

• preliminary planting and construction details needed to clarify design intent, including plans of any atypical or special areas;

• details of any hard landscape elements, such as paving or special features;

• cross sections that adequately display significant changes in grade or width of the area to be planted, and the viability of the landscape concept;

• plant quantities, types, and sizes shall be indicated on the plan. The Landscape DSE shall determine the viability of the plant material selection with due consideration to site conditions, soils, and salt tolerance. Provide a plant name abbreviation key to be used on all plan drawings;

• utilities matrix sheet that identifies any utility interferences;

• plan drawing set, which shall typically include a cover sheet, index of drawings, general and landscape notes, suggested progress schedule, summary of quantities, schedule of quantities, maintenance of traffic, drawing key plan, required erosion control plans, plan drawings, and details;

• a preliminary cost estimate;

• proposed preliminary mowing patterns and delineations, as needed;

• Special Provisions to the Standard Specifications (J pages) and Schedule of Prices (P pages) that follow accepted Illinois Tollway standards;

• a suggested schedule for all work and inspection of the planting material shall be coordinated with all other roadway/project construction schedule that are in the vicinity;

• any additional information required by Illinois Tollway PM; and

• prepare and submit the Landscape Design Submittal Checklist, Section B, Preliminary Plans and Special Provisions, located in Appendix 7.
4.1.5 Pre-Final Plans and Special Provisions

The landscape design submittal for the Pre-Final Plan phase shall include the plans, text, and specifications submitted at the Preliminary Plans and Special Provisions Phase developed to a 99% level of completeness. This submittal shall include the following.

- Address in written comment disposition log all Illinois Tollway comments from the previous submittal. All drawings shall be coordinated with the appropriate agencies and shall include the drainage, grading, lighting, signage, and utility packages (see Appendix 7 for Landscape Design Submittal checklist).
- All drawings shall be fully annotated and show dimensions, landscape notes, general notes, references, symbols, legends, labels, cover sheet, index, suggested progress schedule, drawing key plan, maintenance of traffic, and required erosion control.
- The drawings shall be cross referenced to a fully detailed Summary of Quantities and Schedule of Quantities. The Summary of Quantities shall fully delineate the pay item number, species, type, unit of measure, and quantity of all plants selected. The Schedule of Quantities shall provide pay item numbers, key names, item names, and quantities to be found on each sheet.
- All details, hardscape, and special features shall be completed and cross referenced to the plans, suggested schedule, and drawing key plans.
- Special Provisions shall follow the Illinois Tollway format and shall be complete with all materials and ways and means specified.
- The submittal shall include a construction cost estimate to reflect adjustments to the landscape plan,
- a completed utilities matrix, and
- a list of any additional information required by Illinois Tollway PM.
- Prepare and submit the Landscape Design Submittal Checklist, Section C, Pre-Final Plans and Special Provisions, located in Appendix 7.

4.1.6 Final Plans and Special Provisions

All comments and questions received during the review of the Pre-Final Plans shall be adequately addressed and provided in writing on the comment disposition log, and resolved by revisions to the final plans and Special Provisions. The final plans and Special Provisions shall be sealed by a Registered Landscape Architect licensed in Illinois.

Upon final review, if comments or changes are needed to the Final Plans or Special Provisions, the Designer shall provide a Final Advertising Submittal to include all completed plans and Special Provisions. An updated Engineer Estimate shall be provided with the submittal.
Prepare and submit the Landscape Design Submittal Checklist, Section D (Appendix 7), Final Plans and Special Provisions.

4.1.7 Addenda, Bidding, Tagging, and Construction Observation

The Landscape DSE shall, at the request of the Illinois Tollway, produce the technical information as appropriate to interpret, clarify, or expand on the Construction Documents. When addendums are required, the Designer will prepare the documents, the Illinois Tollway will issue the addenda and perform the complete bidding process. The Illinois Tollway or the CM is usually responsible for nursery tagging, as determined necessary, and concurrence of the final location of plants on-site. Reference shall be made to the Standard Specifications Sections 253 and 254 for transportation, temporary storage, and planting procedures.

The Landscape DSE shall also be responsible for attending the Preconstruction Erosion and Sediment Control Meeting.

4.2 Design Criteria

4.2.1 Permanent Seeding/Sodding Design Requirements

When planning for the use of seeding classes provided in the Standard Specifications and Illinois Tollway Supplemental Specifications, the Landscape DSE shall recognize the mowing policy and maintenance practices, and general seeding zones. Locations for each seeding class and sod type shall be clearly shown on the plans, along with a graphic legend and quantity summary for each sheet.

A. Topsoil and Compost

**Pay Items:**

21101505 - TOPSOIL EXCAVATION AND PLACEMENT
21101600 - 21101695 – TOPSOIL FURNISH AND PLACE, Various items
21101800 - 21101855 – COMPOST FURNISH AND PLACE, Various items

**Description and Purpose:**

Topsoil shall be obtained from within the limits of the ROW per Standard Specifications 211; on-site topsoil material shall comply with the materials requirements in Article 1081.05 of the Standard Specifications. When the site is prepared, the topsoil shall be spread at the specified depth in the final location.

**Application:**

- During pavement widening projects, a 6 foot wide swath of the existing on-site topsoil along the existing pavement shall typically be removed and disposed of off-site at a proper location. The remainder of the existing on-site topsoil shall then be tested on-site for use and nutrient requirements.
- The Designer shall complete a visual inspection of the project area and remove topsoil locations that display signs of contamination.
Topsoil replacement shall be used when there is an insufficient quantity of existing on-site topsoil that meets the requirements of Articles 211.03 and 1081.05 of the Standard Specifications.

As appropriate, the Designer shall complete an inspection of the project area to evaluate the condition of existing slopes. If the field inspection indicates slope failure or erosion concerns, a plan shall be developed for the repair of the site.

When compost is specified, it shall be incorporated with the topsoil at a specified blend and depth and shall meet the requirements of Article 1081.05 of the Standard Specifications.

B. Seeding

Pay Items:

25000100 through 25000350 – SEEDING, Various Classes
JS250220 through JS250350 – SEEDING, Various Classes

Description and Purpose:

The seeding classes shown in Section 250 of the Standard Specifications are typically used for bare earth seeding but some of the seeding classes may also be considered for interseeding into existing turf. The seeding can generally be broken into the following zones. See Figure 2 (Article 4.2.1, General Seeding Zones). The use of Illinois Tollway Supplemental Specifications take precedence over Standard Specifications if both could apply.

Application:

1. Zone 1 Seeding

The turf immediately adjacent to the roadway is normally the most intensively managed part of the ROW (see Figure 2, General Seeding Zones). This area also receives the highest concentrations of salt laden spray. This portion of the roadway requires a seeding mixture that can tolerate salt concentrations and regular mowing while still maintaining an acceptable appearance and resistance to erosion. This area would typically extend from the edge of pavement to the bottom of the backslope of the drainage ditch, or to a minimum of 20 feet in areas with slopes 1:3 (V:H) and flatter. Seeding in this zone would typically be accompanied with erosion control blanket. The mix developed for this use is:

- CLASS 2E, SALT TOLERANT ROADSIDE MIXTURE, as shown in Article 250.07 of the Illinois Tollway Supplemental Specifications.

- Other applications for this mix may be in ditches or portions of detention ponds that receive salt laden water.
2. Zone 2 Seeding

In areas beyond the Zone 1 mowing limits, seeding is normally desired, particularly in rural areas, which will reduce routine ROW mowing cycles and contribute to the preservation of plant and wildlife environments. See Figure 2 (Article 4.2.1B, General Seeding Zones) and Appendix 6 (Roadside Mowing Guide). Seeding in Zone 2 areas must control surface erosion while maintaining an acceptable appearance both to adjacent neighbors and to motorists. Seeding classes have been developed to meet the needs for these conditions:

**FIGURE 2 – GENERAL SEEDING ZONES**

- **CLASS 2F, IT ROADSIDE MIXTURE** is commonly used in zones near residential or urban areas where more frequent mowing or manicured appearance is desirable. This mix does not include native prairie grasses or forbs.

- **CLASS 3E, IT SLOPE MIXTURE** also includes native prairie grasses, has reduced mowing requirements, and is formulated to assist in stabilizing slopes steeper than 1:3 (V:H).

- **CLASS 4B, WETLAND GRASS AND SEDGE MIXTURE** may be specified in wetlands or ponded retention or other suitable areas. The mix is suited to wet locations where no mowing is acceptable.

- **CLASS 4E, IT NATIVE GRASS** includes native prairie grasses to produce a natural appearance where decreased mowing frequency and reduced maintenance is acceptable, typically for limited use in rural areas, where taller grasses may be acceptable.
CLASS 4F, IT LOW PROFILE NATIVE GRASS also includes native prairie grasses where decreased mowing frequency and reduced maintenance is acceptable, but where taller grasses are not acceptable. This mixture is generally used for most backslope conditions where native grasses are preferred.

CLASS 4G, IT POLLINATOR MIXTURE includes low profile native grasses and flowering forbs. This mix is suited to dry, upland areas such as back slopes, basin sides, or embankments with full sun that are to be mowed infrequently. The forbs within the mix were selected to provide year-round blooms for pollinators. It is an option for designers with the goal of providing habitat for pollinators and to display wildflowers for interest at specific locations. Locations designated for use of this mix shall be reviewed and discussed with the Illinois Tollway Landscape Architect prior to use. This mix should be used as a base; however, site-specific mixes should be used when the following conditions exist:

- Area to be seeded is greater than 5 acres
- The soil conditions are not uniform
- For wetland mitigation sites

CLASS 5, FORBS WITH ANNUALS MIXTURE may be specified to be added with the class 4E and/or 4F mixtures in areas where wildflowers are acceptable.

CLASS 5A, LARGE FLOWER NATIVE FORB MIXTURE may be specified to be added with the class 4E and/or 4F mixtures typically in limited high profile areas where larger, showier flowers are desired. Selective Mowing Stakes may be needed when adding this mix to assist the maintenance crews by directing mowing activities.

CLASS 5B, WETLAND FORB MIXTURE may be specified in wetlands or occasionally ponded retention areas. The mix is suited to wet locations and is to be combined with Class 4B where forbs and no mowing is desirable.

Additional seed mixes may be required for detention basins, retention basins, wetlands, restoration areas, or other site specific conditions. These mixes shall be addressed individually, reviewed with the Illinois Tollway Landscape Architect, and be included in the contract special provisions.

All seeds shall meet Article 1081.04 of the Standard Specifications requirements.

For seeding in swales, the maximum velocity for seeding is to be determined by Illinois Tollway DDM Table 7.0, Permissible Flow Velocities For Grass Lined Channels.
C. Bare Earth Seeding

Pay Items:

25000100 - 25000350 – SEEDING, Various Classes
JS250220 - JS250350 – SEEDING, Various Classes

Description and Purpose:

Bare earth seeding will require seed bed preparation prior to applying seed. The area to be seeded shall be cleared and prepared as detailed in Articles 250.05 and 250.06 of the Illinois Tollway Supplemental Specifications.

Application:

- No seeds shall be sown until the seed bed has been approved by the Engineer.

D. Interseeding

Pay Item:

25003110 - INTERSEEDING, Various Classes

Description and Purpose:

Interseeding in areas of existing turf shall be done in conformance with Article 250.06 of the Standard Specifications.

Application:

- Where desirable, native grasses may be interseeded into the existing turf in the process of converting previously mowed areas to reduced mowing areas. This procedure is used in selected Zone 2 seeding areas only.

- In select reduced mowing areas where added diversity is desired, CLASS 5, FORBS WITH ANNUALS MIXTURE or CLASS 5A, LARGE FLOWER NATIVE FORB may be sowed into existing native turf to highlight or further enhance the appearance of an area. Selective Mowing Stakes may be utilized to delineate the reduced mowing area and assist the maintenance crews by clearly directing future mowing activity.

- These grasses and forbs may take several years to establish and are generally implemented to reduce mowing, supplement existing turf and provide a natural meadow ground cover appearance. Wildflower seeding may need to be reseeded on a regular basis to provide long term benefit.
E. Fertilizer and Agricultural Ground Limestone Application

Pay Items:

25000400 - NITROGEN FERTILIZER NUTRIENT, POUND
25000500 - PHOSPHORUS FERTILIZER NUTRIENT, POUND
25000600 - POTASSIUM FERTILIZER NUTRIENT, POUND
25000700 - AGRICULTURAL GROUND LIMESTONE, TON

Description and Purpose:

Fertilizer should be specified for newly seeded areas. Agricultural limestone and phosphorus is typically not required for seeding on Illinois Tollway ROW. In the absence of soil testing, the application rate provided in Article 250.04 should be used.

Application:

Soil testing should be conducted during the initial stages of the design process where existing topsoil is to be re-used on the site. The soil tests should be used, along with visual inspection, to determine areas where existing topsoil is unacceptable for re-use, resulting in the need for removal from the site. The tests may then be used to more accurately determine fertilizer application rates to supplement natural fertility levels of the re-used topsoil.

When re-use of site topsoil is considered, soil tests shall be taken from the in-place material at its natural location. Locations not acceptable for use as topsoil shall be clearly shown on the drawings and/or special provisions for removal prior to stockpiling. The Designer is responsible for initiating and directing soil testing that is to be carried out by a state laboratory, or a recognized commercial laboratory, using approved methods. Soil tests shall include the following:

1. Chemical Analysis

   BIOASSAY TESTS shall be provided to determine the persistence of plant damaging chemical residue and its damage potential. Should the bioassay tests on any samples disclose the presence of chemical activity adverse to acceptable plant growth, the material represented by those samples shall be disqualified for use as topsoil.

   SOLUBLE SALT TESTS indicating salt content in parts per million (ppm) shall be provided. If the tests disclose soluble salt concentrations in excess of 1000 ppm, the material represented by those samples shall either be disqualified for use as topsoil or a cost effective reclamation process shall be recommended.

   PH TESTS shall be provided to measure acidity and alkalinity levels to assist in determining the availability of nutritional material in the soil, and the consequent ability of plants to extract materials from the soil.

   PHOSPHORUS, and POTASSIUM TESTS shall be provided to indicate the available nutrient levels in the soil.
2. Mechanical Analysis

PERCENT SAND, SILT, and CLAY shall be provided. Turf grown on different soils may respond differently to the same fertilizer. It is therefore important to review and understand the soil type.

3. Laboratory Recommendation

Rates for application of nitrogen, phosphorus, potassium, and agricultural ground limestone or sulfur shall be provided by the testing agency. Nutrients that are already available to the plants in adequate amounts shall not be added, and the use of phosphorus shall be minimized.

Soil samples shall be collected from a series of sub-sample points equally distributed across the area to be represented. All sub-samples representing the sample area near the shoulder shall be taken within 10 feet of the shoulder. These soil sub-samples shall be taken to a depth of 6 inches to 8 inches for each representative area. The sub-samples shall be thoroughly mixed together for each representative test area prior to testing. A minimum of 3 sub-samples shall be gathered for each soil sample area representing approximately 1 acre of in-place topsoil.

The Designer shall visually review areas such as ramp side slopes and snow disposal locations which show evidence of heavy erosion, poor turf growth, or salt saturation as possible locations for topsoil removal. A 6 feet wide strip of topsoil along the edge of the pavement shall be removed and disposed of on mainline and ramp widening improvements. This is in addition to soil in other areas identified for removal by visual inspection and/or topsoil testing.

Additional specifications for fertilizer application use on existing trees and sod can be found in:

- Care of Existing Plant Material, Section 201 of the Standard Specifications
- Ground Preparation for Sodding, Section 252 of the Standard Specifications

F. Seeding and Sodding Times

Description and Purpose:

Article 250.07 (Note 7) of the Illinois Tollway Supplemental Specifications and Article 252.04 of the Standard Specifications provide seeding and sodding dates. The Designer shall carefully consider the seasonal planting limitations for each seeding and sodding item and coordinate their timing into the construction schedule.

G. Selective Mowing Stakes

Pay Item:

25000775 – SELECTIVE MOWING STAKES, EACH
Description and Purpose:

Selective mowing stakes may be used in seeding to assist in delineating reduced or no-mow areas, in compliance with Article 250.08 of the Standard Specifications. Selective mowing stakes are installed to assist the maintenance crews by clearly directing future mowing activity at approved locations.

H. Mulch, Erosion Control Blankets

Pay Items:

25100105 - 25100135 – MULCH, Various Methods
25100630 - 25100900 – Various Erosion Control Blankets
JI251010 - EROSION CONTROL BLANKET, BIODEGRADABLE NETTING
JI251015 - HEAVY DUTY EROSION CONTROL BLANKET, BIODEGRADABLE NETTING

Description and Purpose:

Mulch is a protective covering of organic material typically used with permanent seeding, and is laid over the soil to reduced erosion, retain moisture, retain seed, and protect plantings.

These items consist of furnishing, transporting, and placing straw and/or wood fiber mulch on seeded areas (Article 251.03 of the Standard Specifications and Illinois Tollway Supplemental Specifications). Material shall be in conformance with Article 1081.06 of the Standard Specifications. Refer to IDOT's Bureau of Design and Environmental Manual, Sediment Control Practices Reference Table (Figure 41-3.C) for treatments to be considered and recommended.

Article 251.04 of the Standard Specifications provides guidance on placing erosion control blankets on seeded areas. Erosion control blankets are most commonly used with permanent seeding. Limited use may also be considered for temporary erosion control on very steep slopes or other extreme conditions. Materials shall be in conformance with Article 1081.10 of the Standard Specifications.

These items can be used in conjunction with Section 250 (Seeding), Section 253 (Planting Woody Material), Section 254 (Planting Perennial Plants), and subject to Article 1081.06 requirements.

Application:

Mulch, Straw, Fiber, Compost

- Use with permanent seeding on prepared slopes up to 1:10 (V:H) unless erosion control blanket is provided; and
- Provide erosion control blanket when slopes meet or exceed 1:10 (V:H).
- Provide sod or erosion control blanket in swales.
• Unless dictated by the necessities of the project or other reasons where, in the Designer’s judgment, one procedure is preferable, the Contractor should be allowed to use any or all of these procedures interchangeably.

1. Mulch Method 1

• Mulch Method 1 comprises the application of loose straw mulch by hand or machine.

• Use in flat areas where wind displacement will not carry mulch onto the roadway or off Illinois Tollway property.

• Apply at a rate of 2 tons/acre.

2. Mulch Method 2

• Mulch Method 2 comprises the application and stabilization of straw mulch by mechanical or chemical procedures.

• Procedure 2 comprises the placement of straw mulch by blower, followed by an overspray of hydraulic mulch. This procedure is particularly suited to confined areas where access by a tractor might be difficult and on areas which have been hydroseeded.

• Apply straw mulch at the same rate as Method 1.

• Apply hydraulic mulch at a rate of 750 pounds/acre and water at a rate of 1,000 gallons/acre.

• Procedure 3 comprises the application of chemical stabilizer to blown straw mulch. The chemical binder and application rate shall be accepted by the Engineer prior to use to ensure the product is environmentally safe and acceptable.

• Do not use gypsum, emulsified asphalt, or plaster-like binders.

3. Mulch Method 3

• Mulch Method 3 is not used individually on the Illinois Tollway.

4. Mulch Method 4

• This method consists of applying compost combined with a performance additive designed to bind/stabilize the compost.

• The compost/performance additive mixture shall be applied to the surface of the slope to a depth of 2 inches using a pneumatic blower.
• Mulch Method 4 can only be used if approved by the Illinois Tollway Landscape Architect.

**Erosion Control Blanket:**

• These items are typically more effective than mulch alone and consist of furnishing and installing erosion control blankets over prepared permanent seeding beds as shown on the plans or as directed by the Engineer.

• Because of continuing new technology in erosion control, the Designer is encouraged to explore new methods and materials beyond those shown in the Standard Specifications for erosion control and turf reinforcement. The Designer shall be familiar with such products, evaluate and recommend their use when appropriate. For example, if there is a slope failure as a result of regular subsurface drainage, other methods shall be employed to correct the problem prior to application of erosion blanket surface treatments or when innovative methods and/or materials may be beneficial to prevent scour at drain outlets.

• Erosion blankets are typically used in conjunction with permanent seeding, as per Section 250 of the Illinois Tollway Supplemental Specifications and Article 1081.04 of the Standard Specifications.

1. **Erosion Control Blanket, Biodegradable Netting**

• This item is a single net Rolled Erosion Control Product (Erosion Blanket) intended for short term use on shallow slopes. The netting is intended to biodegrade in 90 days. This product is described in Articles 1081.10(a) and (b) of the Standard Specifications.

• Excelsior Blanket or Knitted Straw Mat can be used interchangeably.

• To be used in conjunction with permanent seeding, Section 250 of the Illinois Tollway Supplemental Specifications.

• Use in swales where the hydraulic shear is less than 2.1 pounds per square foot.

• To be used on all slopes within a 30 feet wide strip adjacent to the roadway and ramp pavements where wind and debris create a difficult environment for seed germination.

• May be used with Temporary Ground Cover, Article 280.04(f) of the Standard Specifications, for temporary erosion control in swales with a maximum velocity of 6 feet per second.

2. **Heavy Duty Erosion Control Blanket, Biodegradable Netting**

• This item is a double net Rolled Erosion Control Product (Erosion Blanket) intended for short term use on steeper slopes. The bottom
netting is intended to remain in service as turf reinforcement. This product is described in Article 1081.10(c) of the Standard Specifications.

- To be used as a permanent, non-degradable liner primarily to stabilize channel configurations while permanent vegetation is establishing. This blanket works best when drainage can be diverted until turf is established.

- To be used as permanent lining in swales where the hydraulic shear is between 2.1 and 6.0 pounds per square foot.

- To be used with permanent seeding of specified channels or ditches with velocities between 4 feet and 6 feet per second.

- When velocities exceed 6 feet per second, line channel or ditch per Illinois Tollway DDM, Section 7.0 – Ditch and Channel Design.

- May be used for temporary erosion control in swales with velocities between 6 and 10 feet per second.

I. Sodding

Pay Items:

25200100 – SODDING
25200110 – SODDING, SALT TOLERANT

Description and Purpose:

In general, sodding is to be used in a limited basis at specifically designated areas, such as toll plazas, applicable ditches, maintenance buildings, oasis, or other support complexes. Sodding (salt tolerant) shall be used in designated areas within 30 feet from the edge of pavement. Salt tolerant sod may also be considered for use in drainage ditches where flow velocities do not exceed 4 feet per second and slope is no more than 10%. A channel lining shall be required where the flow velocity exceeds 4 feet per second and ditch slope exceeds 10%. For additional details see Section 252 of the Standard Specifications and the Illinois Tollway DDM, Section 7.0 Ditch and Channel Design. Sodding shall be done in conformance with Article 1081.03 of the Standard Specifications.

J. Perennial Plugs

Pay items:

JT250400 – Mesic Bioswale Plug Mix
JT254010, JT254015 – Bioswale Plugs
JT254100 – Wetland Plugs

Description and Purpose:

Native plugs may be used on a limited basis when standing water prevents the use of seed. In instances where shallow standing water is the norm within wet bottomed
erosion detention ponds, plugs may be considered in place of seed. In all other instances, seed and erosion control blanket will be used in conformance with Article 4.2.1 of this manual. For additional details, see Section 254 of the Standard Specifications. The planting of plugs shall be done in conformance with Article 1081.02 of the Standard Specifications.

Application:

- If contract completion date is later than October 1st, plugs shall not be utilized unless written authorization from the Illinois Tollway Landscape Architect.
- Plugs may be used in project specific inclusion of bioswales or wetland mitigation.

K. Watering and Supplemental Watering

Pay Item:
25200200 – SUPPLEMENTAL WATERING

Description and Purpose:

Supplemental watering may be required for sod during periods of heat or drought, per Article 252.09 (Sodding) of the Standard Specifications.

Application:

- During the period of establishment, watering is typically incidental for woody plants (Article 253.15 of the Standard Specifications) and Perennial Plants (Article 254.09 of the Standard Specifications), and is not considered supplemental.

- If woody plant supplemental watering and seeding supplemental watering is needed, it shall be provided in the Special Provisions for each contract.

- Supplemental Watering is used in conjunction with sodding and is most critical during the initial 60 day establishment period. This item is typically used to supplement the contractors required watering during the first 30 days in the event of hot or dry periods, and/or for watering needed beyond the first 30 day growing period. This item is not required for seeding.

L. Herbicide and Weed Control

Description and Purpose:

Weed control should be used for weed management opportunities and may be needed either before planting or during the period of establishment. Weeding for woody plants shall be done during the period of establishment per Article 253.15 of the Standard Specifications and at the end of the period of establishment for perennial beds per
Article 254.09 of the Standard Specifications. Additionally, weed control may be used for existing areas or as required at the direction of the Engineer.

Weed control may be accomplished through the use of Weed Barrier Fabric, as specified in Article 1081.14; mulch for woody plants, as specified in Article 253.11; or mulch for perennial beds, as specified in Article 254.07 (all of the Standard Specifications).

M. Filter Fabric

Pay Item:

28200200 - FILTER FABRIC, SQUARE YARD

Description and Purpose:

Filter fabric is used to provide a separation between fine grained and open graded materials in order to prevent intermingling of the materials. For example, it may be used to separate planting mix from drain stone, drain stone from subgrade, or planting mix from coarse subgrade. Filter fabrics shall be in accordance with Article 1080.03 of the Standard Specifications.

4.2.2 Planting, Removal, and Care

Per Sections 253 and 254 of the Standard Specifications, all placements of plantings along the roadside shall comply with Illinois Tollway and AASHTO safety recommendations, including those for clear zones and distance from signage, and shall follow the overall guidelines to blend the facility into the surrounding areas.

When trees must be removed, opportunities for providing replacement shall be pursued (See Appendix 9). The addition of vegetation can be reviewed once all existing desirable vegetation has been protected.

The adjacent land use and topography shall provide direction for the intensity of the planting. Rural areas may require little or no planting, while more urban sites should be more heavily planted in an effort to blend into the adjacent community. A natural and sustainable landscape shall be the basis for all roadside design.

A. Clearing, Tree Removal and Protection, Care and Repair of Existing Plant Material

Pay Items:

20100110 through 20101700

Description and Purpose:

Clearing shall consist of removal and disposal of obstructions, logs, and vegetation according to Article 201.01 of the Standard Specifications. Clearing shall be used when vegetation interferes with construction activities, when dead or diseased trees are present in the work zone, or as directed by the Illinois Tollway, except when specified in the plans that the tree should be protected. The Designer and CM shall review and
inventory the existing vegetation and complete site inspections to save or protect existing vegetation of value, whenever possible.

**Application:**

- Care of existing plant material consists of pruning, fertilizing, and watering of existing vegetation to remain, and shall be done in accordance with Articles 201.05 – 201.06 of the Standard Specifications. Repair or replacement of existing plant material consists of restoring plants damaged by the Contractor to its original condition, per Article 201.07 of the Standard Specifications. The need for protection or repair of existing plant material will be identified by the Designer during the design phase. These determinations will be made based on field inspections; project specific conditions; plant size, type, condition; and professional judgment. Plant material damaged by the Contractor shall be repaired at no additional cost to the Illinois Tollway.

- The need for the repair or replacement of existing plant material shall be evaluated during design by the DSE’s Landscape Architect.

**B. Planting Woody Plants and Perennial Plants**

**Pay Items:**

- A2C00G03 through B2013916 – TREES, Various
- C2C00124 through C3006024 – SHRUBS, Various
- D20C00412 through D2015401 – EVERGREENS, Various
- E20010G1 through E20330Q1 – VINES, Various
- F2001072 through H20040Y2 – SEEDLINGS, Various
- K0012970 through K0013110 – PERENNIALS, VARIOUS

**Description and Purpose:**

Landscape within the Illinois Tollway ROW accomplishes multiple purposes, including permanent erosion control, aesthetics, and visual screening of adjacent residential or commercial properties. It is important to design this border to be aesthetically appealing and to blend in with surroundings, but it is also important to provide a landscape that is functional and easily maintained. Maintenance activities, such as mowing, can be minimized through the use of woody plants (trees, shrubs, evergreens, vines) or perennial herbaceous plants (ornamental plants or native plants, including wetland, woodland, or prairie plants). Plants shall be chosen based on general landscape design, location, growing requirements, maintenance requirements, and aesthetics. Materials for planting of woody and perennial plants shall be done in conformance with Section 1081 of the Standard Specifications.

**Application:**

- The Illinois Tollway may initiate adjacent landowner or municipal outreach. The adjacent entities may provide input for the Illinois Tollway to consider, and may result in cost-participation by the local entity to increase quality or quantity of the landscape plan.
All placement of plantings along the roadside shall comply with Illinois Tollway and AASHTO safety recommendations, including clear zones and distance from signage, and shall follow overall guidelines to blend the facility into the surrounding areas.

When trees must be removed, opportunities for providing replacements shall be pursued (See Appendix 9, Preservation, Removal and Replacement of Trees). The addition of vegetation can be reviewed once all existing desirable vegetation has been protected.

The adjacent land-use and topography should provide direction for the intensity of the planting. Rural areas may require little or no planting while more urban sites should be more heavily planted in an effort to blend into the adjacent community. A natural effect should be the basis for all roadside design.

The Landscape DSE shall also address maintenance, such as mowing expectations. Mowing and Turf Maintenance activities should be minimized in areas of woody plants (trees, shrubs, evergreens, vines) or perennial herbaceous plants (ornamental plants or native plants, including wetland, woodland, or prairie plants). Plants shall be chosen based on general landscape design, location, growing requirements, maintenance requirements, and aesthetics.

4.2.3 Protection of Existing Resources

Certain existing landscape features, whether manmade or natural, shall be protected through a process of identification; enhancement, restoration, or preservation; avoidance; or incorporation into the design of the highway improvement. A variety of techniques may be employed to protect identified resources, including both temporary and permanent measures, as appropriate. The appropriate technique shall be determined during the design concept phase. Consider the following when protecting existing features.

A. Review Previous Commitments

Review commitments in environmental documents, ESIS, tree surveys, wetland reports, public hearing records, and other project documents for areas requiring attention or protection during project development and implementation.

B. Statute Protection

Determine which features of the project area are protected by statute. These may include wetlands, endangered species, nature preserves, natural areas, and cultural sites.

C. Cultural Environment

Establish the project’s setting or cultural environment. Determine if the project is in a rural, urban, or a transitional area. The design shall be influenced by the cultural and physical environment adjacent to it. Existing features shall be protected when possible.
4.2.4 Grading and Alignment

The portion of the design process concerning alignment and grading offers the best opportunity to fit the highway into the landscape, thereby avoiding unnecessary environmental impacts and yielding a functional and aesthetically pleasing form. The basic guidelines for grading and alignment are included in the AASHTO-“Guide for Transportation Landscape and Environmental Design”. In addition, consider the following:

A. Environmental Commitments

During Master Planning, ensure that all environmental commitments, including the EVA and tree inventories, are reviewed and noted so that these issues can appropriately influence alignment and grading decisions. These commitments will also serve as controls during Design Phase plan preparation.

B. Surrounding Landscape

Give consideration to the surrounding landscape and the best application of site cut and fill for functional use and balancing. Blend the alignment and grading to fit the existing topography with minimal visual or physical disruption. Where appropriate, screen unsightly views of industrial areas, junkyards, etc. Vegetative screens should also be provided as visual buffers for residential development.

C. Clearing and Construction Limits

Carefully plan and define the establishment of clearing and construction limits. Consider both existing landscape features and critical areas.

D. Plant Survival

Consider the survival potential of both existing plantings to be preserved and proposed plantings at the time that grading decisions are made. Existing plantings are vulnerable when there is the potential for disturbance to root zones or drainage patterns. This is especially critical in confined areas where landscape features such as screening are proposed.

4.2.5 Erosion Control

The measures incorporated in the Landscape Plans shall permanently protect the site from erosion and sediment damage to adjacent sites.

Every effort shall be made to schedule the permanent erosion control to be completed as early as practical, to minimize the cost of the temporary control measures.

All projects shall comply with current provisions of the EPA’s “Clean Water Act” (see Illinois Tollway DDM). Erosion control plans shall clearly describe the location, type of controls, and scheduling to be implemented in each stage of construction. Special resources, such as wetlands, shall be clearly identified along with erosion protection measures. Specific project needs, problem areas, and erosion control philosophy shall be identified and discussed at the Preconstruction Erosion and Sediment Control Meeting. The Preconstruction Erosion and Sediment Control Meeting also includes a field review.
4.2.6 Drainage

Design of the highway drainage system shall be part of, and not separate from, the natural hydrology of the environment. Consider the environmental impacts of drainage, stormwater management, detention or retention basin design shapes, and the impact that water retention and/or soil saturation will have on existing or proposed plant material.

See the Illinois Tollway DDM for more detailed guidance.

4.2.7 Visual Quality

Encouraging a visual change that will improve or enhance the surrounding landscape ensures a project’s visual quality. Define the visual environment by identifying key views, analyzing resources, depicting the project’s proposed appearance, and assessing its visual impacts. Manmade features such as buildings, bridges, retaining walls, sound walls, and other structures shall also be assessed during the project design and integrated successfully into the Illinois natural landscape.

To support the reduction of maintenance and enhance visual quality in a project, evaluate the project’s relationship with regards to the following:

- natural landscape elements,
- topographical, physical characteristics, and functional use of cut and fill,
- ecological influences,
- residential areas and their character,
- historical features,
- visual and psychological values,
- existing land uses, and
- existing and proposed project profile and structures.

4.2.8 Safety

Safety shall be the highest functional goal of every Illinois Tollway design, and all landscape and environmentally based design principles shall be compatible with such criteria.

During design, consider the following:

- soil erosion/pollution control;
- the location, size, and height (mature size, height) of plantings in relation to sight distance, drainage, and clear zones;
• pedestrian safety in areas such as oasis areas, toll plazas, and bikeways;
• reduction of headlight glare;
• directional and feature delineation or screening;
• snow drifting and environmental conditions control; and
• sound abatement.

4.2.9 Historical Influences

Historical influences may affect the project by way of a nearby destination, an adjacent feature, or in some cases, as a part of the roadway or its appurtenances. Pay particular attention to such influences and prepare the project design to be compatible or to harmonize with them. Historical markers, structures, districts, and bridges all may influence the design of a project. Required avoidance of, or mitigation of impacts to, historical resources are usually identified in early project coordination, but the Landscape DSE shall be alert for any unidentified items. Special consideration may need to be given to landscape treatment within designated National Register Historic Districts.

4.2.10 Planting Treatments

A. Treatment of Mainline ROW

1. Roadside plantings under normal conditions are viewed at high speeds. The amount, spacing, and size of planting shall be sufficient to produce a grouping that will be recognized by the passing motorists. At high speeds, the angle of a driver’s vision narrows and distant views are held for a longer time. Therefore, typically, lineal and more extensive swaths of planting masses shall be used along mainline locations with decreasing plant bed size near or at plazas.

2. There should be an overall naturalistic theme for the landscape design, with groups of primarily native trees following free form lines, unless a specific localized design intent requires a more formal planting. Shrub planting beds shall follow contour lines in defined, intentional shapes. Shrubs shall be spaced close enough so plants grow together, reducing future maintenance.

3. Maintenance shall be a prime consideration of the landscape design. Integration of tree, shrub, and turf areas shall be designed to minimize mowing around individual plants. This may be achieved by using architectural mow lines to create areas where mowing is reduced and by planting predominantly in natural groupings. Trees shall be located within no mowing zones or reduced mow areas whenever possible. Selective Mowing Stakes shall be considered to delineate areas that do not require mowing.

4. All tree and shrub plantings shall be kept out of the clear zone as defined in AASHTO - Roadside Design Guide. The clear zone along the mainline varies based on the steepness of the slopes and design speed. Refer to the Illinois Tollway’s Traffic Barrier Guidelines for more information. Typically, tree and
shrub plantings shall not be located within Zone 1 as shown in Figure 2 (Article 4.2.1B, General Seeding Zones).

5. The need for salt tolerant plant material and maintenance concerns limit the Designer’s choice of plant material. However, where possible in Zone 2, in areas where there is increased ROW, the Designer may expand the range of plant material to include a variety of tree and shrub material.

6. All public and Illinois Tollway utilities, including overhead wires, shall be carefully reviewed and located when determining locations for plant material during the design. Tall growing trees shall not be proposed where conflict with overhead wires is possible. Trees shall not be planted where the spread of its branches could interfere with or obstruct the lighting of any luminaries or signs.

7. Locations adjacent to wooded areas may require agency coordination and plantings to create the effect of bringing the woods onto the ROW. This design principle helps to break up the appearance of cleared linear roadway space, and better blends the project into the surroundings. Tree species shall be similar to those in the existing wooded area, if possible.

8. Trees and shrubs shall be planted in natural groupings rather than individual specimens whenever possible. Individual plantings may be considered only when accentuating a site or architectural feature is desirable.

9. The Landscape DSE shall check with the Illinois Tollway coordinator to locate any areas where experience has demonstrated the need for control of drifting snow. Proper shrub plantings shall be considered at these locations to form a snow barrier to control drifting.

10. Examine the highway alignment to determine where to maximize the visual experience and safety. Screening of undesirable views and enhancing scenic views shall be considered in order to provide less distraction to motorists. In order that natural features may be preserved, the Illinois Tollway Landscape Architect shall be consulted during the conceptual planning stage.

11. When planting is desirable near signage, the appropriate plants shall be positioned behind highway signs. This shall be done only to provide a background or frame for better visibility, and shall not obstruct views to any signage. Plantings near signs shall be positioned so that there is enough space between the plantings and the sign for a mower, or the sign is to be positioned in the planting bed. Plantings shall not be placed where they may interfere with the operation of any breakaway devices.

12. Existing trees shall be conserved and protected whenever practical. When removal of existing vegetation is required, the Landscape DSE shall consider the Illinois Tollway’s tree replacement policy and where appropriate, add additional plant material to help compensate for their loss. The trees to be saved, the method of protection, and any maintenance requirements shall be shown on the construction plans.
13. The design shall take into consideration salt spray and drifting from winter plowing operations. Assume winter winds will be predominantly from the north, northwest, and west. Salt drifting can carry up to approximately 150 feet, with heavy concentrations of salt spray up to 30 feet from the edge of pavement. The design shall address ramps, plazas, and other areas where concentrations of salt saturated surface runoff may affect adjacent turf.

14. Large planting projects may include a small percentage of fast growing trees to provide the immediate benefit of large plant material while slower growing plants mature.

15. Subsurface drainage on cut slopes that interferes with soil sediment control or proper vegetation establishment shall be identified and evaluated for repair.

B. Treatment of Drainage Channels and Ditches

Ditch bottom erosion, and the depositing of sediment from the erosion of side slopes, are prevailing problems with ditches. Erosion control treatment of these slopes shall be handled in accordance with Article 3.2.1 of this manual, to ensure minimum sedimentation of drainage ways during turf establishment.

A minimum of 0.3% longitudinal slope shall be maintained in any channel and ditch bottom where positive drainage is expected. Flatter minimum grades will produce pockets of standing water and cattail growth, and may increase the need for future maintenance. For roadside ditches with a longitudinal slope less than 0.3% (i.e., due to some special local conditions), a ditch lining shall be provided. Consult the Illinois Tollway DDM for details.

The ditch cross section shall typically be trapezoidal in shape and maintain a 6 foot wide bottom whenever possible. (Per the Illinois Tollway DDM, ditches shall maintain a minimum 4 foot wide bottom.) The erosion control measures be salt tolerant sodding, erosion blanket lining with salt tolerant seed, or open cell articulated concrete block mats, depending on specific slope and hydraulic conditions. Any other available erosion control products existing on the market can be used if cost effective, upon the acceptance by the Illinois Tollway PM.

See Article 4.2.1, Paragraph H for applications of Erosion Blankets. When seeding is used in ditch bottoms, it is best to restrict flowing water until turf is established. When sodding is used, water velocities up to 4 feet per second may remain without being restricted during establishment. Properly placed sod is normally the preferred cover in swales because there is no time lag between installation and the time when the channel is protected by vegetation. Sod also offers more flexibility in the timing of installation than seeding. Channel lining shall be required where the design discharge velocity exceeds the scour velocity of the soil. See Illinois Tollway DDM Section 7.0 – Ditch and Channel Design Section for additional information.

Trees or shrubs shall not be planted in or near drainage ways where their presence would interfere with the flow of water or access to drainage structures.
C. Treatment of Toll Plazas

The pavement at toll facilities may receive increased salt applications during winter snow removal. The Landscape DSE shall consider salt drifting and higher concentrations of brine associated with snow plowing operations in these locations. Pavers matching the building materials, or other sustainable options, shall be considered at appropriate locations along curbs and adjacent to pavements into turf areas. The paver’s width shall be approximately 24 inches wide. The Landscape DSE should consider material that compliments the building at manned toll plazas.

Plantings around manned plazas shall leave views open from the toll plaza to the adjacent mainline travel lanes. All plaza plantings shall avoid plant types and massing that people or vehicles could hide in or behind, or cause visual obstructions for safety or security. These plantings shall be selected from the most salt tolerant plants on the plant schedule. Appropriately placed irrigation links shall be considered at manned toll plazas to allow easy irrigation hook-ups for plant material.

D. Treatment of Interchanges

All new interchange projects require evaluation for design opportunities of grading and landscape plantings. The actual quantity of landscape material used will vary depending on the surrounding terrain and the details of the specific interchange. Trees shall be used to blend the improvement into the surrounding area and the use of shrubs shall typically be minimal. The use of low profile native grasses is encouraged in the interior of appropriate infields to reduce mowing. Interchanges and ramps may be viewed as gateways to some local communities. The Landscape DSE shall consider any defined character developed by local municipalities when preparing design concept options.

It is important to plan for the use of salt on ramps. Damage to turf areas where pavement runoff exits the pavement shall also be addressed in the design. Erosion blanket shall be used on all slopes within 30 feet of the edge of pavement on the ramps. Curb and gutter shall be on ramp shoulders in locations shielded by guardrails or where flow concentrations require its use. Surface and subsurface drainage outlets shall be located to minimize erosion potential of concentrated water outfalling on slopes.

When additional fill is available on-site, or from nearby contracts, the Designer shall consider reducing the steepness of slopes as much as practical on crossroad embankments. This may reduce project cost and guardrail quantity, increase safety, decrease maintenance, and improve aesthetics.

E. Treatment of Maintenance Facilities

These sites may benefit from plantings and/or grading that serve to screen portions of the site from the roadway. Screening of undesirable views and enhancing scenic views shall be considered to provide less distraction to the motorists.

The runoff from these sites may contain high concentrations of salt or other material being stored at the facility. Therefore, salt-tolerant vegetation shall be used where
practical. Use of a vegetative filter strip where the runoff leaves the site is recommended.

4.2.11 Protection of Existing Plants

Preservation measures shall be evaluated whenever existing vegetation is present in the construction area or when adjacent existing vegetation may be affected by the construction operations. See Article 3.2.4 – L. Tree Protection in this manual, and the Illinois Tollway Standard K1 Drawings for tree protection detail. The following summarizes the key points in the Illinois Tollway’s policy on treatment of trees. The complete policy is included as Appendix 9 in this manual.

A. Removal of Trees

In deciding whether trees should be removed, the environmental, aesthetic, and functional value of the trees shall be considered, along with the potential hazard posed by the trees. An on-site inspection shall be made by a team which includes expertise in roadside safety, landscape architecture, and environmental impact analysis to help evaluate these factors.

B. Replacement of Trees

A landscape inventory is typically made during the Phase 1 project planning stage. A minimum quantity of replacements shall be established based on the Illinois Tollway criteria for removal and replacement of trees. In summary, trees with a trunk size of 6 inches or more diameter at breast height (DBH) and other desirable trees planted within the previous 15 years shall be replaced. Minimum ratios for replacement of trees shall be as provided in Appendix 9 and as determined by analysis of the vegetative assessment information.

4.2.12 Plant Materials

Roadway trees often have reduced growth rates compared to their woodland counterparts. Salt drifting, harsh microclimates, and low maintenance are some of the conditions that affect the roadway landscape. Generally, native or indigenous plants are most suited to meet these conditions. Only plants within the hardiness zones of the specific landscape project shall be specified (as designated in the current publication, Plant Hardiness Zones, by the Agricultural Research Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture). See Appendix 10 for details.

A. Size

The favored planting size for shade trees is from 1 inch to 2 ½ inches DBH in caliper (diameter), intermediate trees, evergreen trees between 4 feet and 6 feet in height, and shrubs between 18 inches and 30 inches in height. These sizes are general requirements and shall be evaluated for each individual project and plant species. Some specimen trees near plazas or other features, for example, may be larger than typical mainline plantings. Using larger sizes provides immediate visual impact but requires longer periods for the plant to become established and therefore increases maintenance.
B. Root

All deciduous trees larger than 1 inch DBH in caliper or 4 feet in height shall be specified as “balled and burlapped root type”. All evergreen trees shall be specified as “balled and burlapped” root type. Shrubs shall be specified as either “balled and burlapped” or “container grown”. Bare root material may be used for smaller plant material but shall be approved by the Illinois Tollway’s Landscape Architect prior to specifying.

C. Plans and Legend

When the scope of work includes the planting of trees and shrubs as part of the general roadway improvement plans, a separate Plant Materials List shall be included in the plans in addition to that provided in the Summary of Quantities (See Table 3). If conditions prevent the planting work from being performed concurrently, the landscape plans shall be able to be removed and function independently.
### Table 3
Landscape Materials List

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<th>Pay Item</th>
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<td>Tree, <em>Gleditsia Triacanthos Inermis</em> Skyline (Skyline Thornless Common Honey Locust), 1-1/2&quot; Caliper, Balled and Burlapped</td>
<td>Each</td>
<td>36</td>
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<td>Specimen qual. B&amp;B root</td>
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<tr>
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<tr>
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The Designer shall work with Illinois Tollway and local nurseries to determine the availability and condition of the plant types selected. If specific plant types are not available, the Designer shall work with Illinois Tollway to find suitable alternates. Consideration should be given to surrounding land use requirements, such as FAA flight zones. Below is a list of some materials that have provided satisfactory performance in roadway environments. The list is not intended to be all inclusive.

**Shade Trees:**

- *Celtis occidentalis*, Hackberry
- *Gleditsia triacanthos var. inermis*, Honeylocust, Thornless*
- *Ginkgo biloba*, Ginkgo*
- *Gymnocladus dioica*, Kentucky Coffeetree*
- *Quercus Alba*, White Oak*
- *Quercus bi-color*, Swamp White Oak
- *Quercus macrocarpa*, Bur Oak
- *Salix alba var.*, Weeping Willow*
- *Ulmus*, var., Elm, several varieties

**Intermediate Trees:**

- *Acer campestre*, Hedge Maple*
- *Acer tataricum*, Tatarian Maple
- *Crataegus crus-galli 'thornless', Cockspur Hawthorn
- *Malus varieties*, Crabapple, several varieties
- *Syringa reticula*, Japanese Tree Lilac*
- *Robina pseudoacaia*, Black Locust*

**Evergreen Trees:**

- *Picea abies*, Norway Spruce
- *Picea pungens*, Colorado Spruce*

* Designates Species with some tolerance to salt drifting

**Shrubs:**

- *Cornus racemosa*, Gray Dogwood
- *Euonymus alatus*, Winged Euonymus
- *Forsythia intermedia*, Border Forsythia
- *Juniper var.*, Junipers, several varieties
- *Lonicera xylosteoides*, Clavey Honeysuckle
- *Rhus Aromatic*, Fragrant Sumac
- *Rhus typhina*, Staghorn sumac
- *Ribes alpinum*, Alpine currant
- *Spiraea bumalda 'froebeli', Froebel Spiere*
- *Syringa vulgaris*, Lilac, several varieties
- *Viburnum, Viburnum*, several varieties
D. Graphic Symbols

See Appendix 8 for sample drawings used with the Landscape Plans.

E. Recurring General Planting Notes

1. The plant locations shown on the plans are approximate only. The exact locations shall be staked by the Engineer and reviewed by the Illinois Tollway’s Landscape Architect prior to excavation of any plant pits or beds. The Contractor shall review staking locations and discuss any revisions needed to avoid utilities or any other elements prior to digging operations.

2. The Contractor shall verify the location of all underground utilities and structures in the field prior to the excavation of any plant pit or planting bed. The Contractor shall be responsible for the protection of all underground or surface utilities even though they may not be shown on the plans. Locations of tree and shrub plantings shall be adjusted to avoid damaging any underground utilities.

3. Salt tolerant sodding shall be installed at the bottom of ditches and to a point 2 feet above the ditch invert where flow velocities do not exceed 4 feet per second and the slope is no more than 10%, or as directed by the Engineer.

4. All plant material shall be of specimen quality and at a minimum comply with the American National Standard Institute (ANSI) Section Z-60.1 American Industry Standards for Nursery Stock, 2014 or current issue.

5. Any turf areas outside the construction seeding limits which are disturbed shall be repaired, reseeded, and covered with erosion blanket, or sodded, to the satisfaction of and as directed by the Engineer, at the Contractor’s expense.

6. All plant material root types shall be balled and burlapped, unless otherwise specified.

7. The Contractor is required to comply with all State and Federal regulations regarding air, water, and noise pollution.

8. The plant locations shown on the plans are approximate only. Tree locations shall not be moved closer to pavement edges than shown on the plans, however.

9. Trees shall be spaced no closer than six feet from any fences and shall not block access gates.

10. Tree and shrub planting shall not block access to gates in fences, hydrants on noise walls, or other service access doors.

11. Trees shall be spaced a minimum of 10 feet from noise walls or other structures.

12. Ditches shall be kept clear of plantings. The minimum vertical distance between ditch bottoms and plants shall be 3 feet.
13. If during excavation, a plant hole or planting bed shows poor drainage, standing water, or an impervious stratum of soil, the contractor shall cease excavation and shall notify the engineer. The plant(s) shall be relocated as directed by the engineer and the hole(s) or bed shall be filled in and restored to match the condition and vegetation of the adjacent area.

14. Improperly pruned planting will be rejected and replacements will immediately be made by the contractor.

15. The sides of all plant pits shall be loosened to disjoin any glazing which may occur during the digging operation.

16. Tree wrapping shall extend to the lowest major branch.

17. Top of rootball shall be approximately 2 inches above adjacent finished grade.

18. Shrub plantings:
   - The edge of a mulch bed for shrub plantings adjacent to a wall, fence, guardrail, or other fixed object shall extend to the object. The peripheral plants in the bed shall not be planted within 5 feet of the object.
   - When a tree is located in a shrub bed, the minimum distance between the tree and the adjacent shrub shall be 6 feet.

19. Remove all twine, rope, wire, and burlap from top half of rootball; the lower half of burlap shall be folded toward the bottom of the rootball or removed.

4.2.13 Restoration of Staging Areas

When a staging area is provided in the design, Restoration Plans shall be provided in the contract documents. When staging area restoration is not required in the contract plans, the Contractor shall provide a Restoration Plan for review and acceptance by the Illinois Tollway. The Contractor shall obtain a permit from the Illinois Tollway and post a bond for the completion of restoration work. Requirements for Use of Illinois Tollway Property to Support Construction Activities form shall be completed and provided to the Illinois Tollway. This form (which can be found on the Illinois Tollway’s WBPM) details general requirements for the use of staging areas and documents efforts needed to support this activity.

When the staging site is ready to be restored in accordance with the approved Restoration Plan, the CM will advise the Illinois Tollway’s PM and Landscape Architect. At that time, any replacement trees should be tagged and inspected at the nursery prior to arriving at the site. Once the final grading and permanent seeding work is completed, inspected, and approved, the tree locations may be staked by the Illinois Tollway’s Landscape Architect. The Contractor shall maintain and guarantee the trees in accordance with the Standard Specifications and Provisions.

4.3 Landscape Plans

The landscape plans, special provisions, and ESCP’s that are part of the total erosion and sediment control program for the site shall identify all measures to be installed; indicate a planting schedule; and provide maintenance, care, and fertilizer requirements. Maintenance, care, and fertilizer shall be for a 2 year establishment period (Standard and Supplemental
Specifications Section 253. Incorporate a tree preservation plan and define what standard drawing/specification is to be used to ensure that the correct measure is applied. See Appendix 8 of this Manual for example of Landscape Drawings developed for the Illinois Tollway and refer to Standard and Supplemental Specifications.

The background documentation maintained by the Designer shall meet the requirements in the Illinois Tollway Environmental Studies Manual. This documentation shall also identify any special requirements used to select specific measures.

Additional Special Provisions may be developed for payment of plant care, materials, and labor needed to encourage the proper health of the plantings over the establishment period.

4.4 Responsibilities

Below is a discussion of the responsibilities of the various entities.

4.4.1 Illinois Tollway responsibilities include:

- will facilitate the coordination necessary with other agencies and local governments;
- will determine, with the assistance of the Designer, the potential impacts of the project and the need for permits and/or approvals. The impact of the project and need for permits and/or approvals shall be identified by the Landscape DSE.
- The Illinois Tollway will review the plans prepared by the Designer for technical adequacy, compliance with the Landscape Goals established for the project, and confirm that the bid schedule includes all relevant measures.
- **Illinois Tollway Staff Responsibilities:**
  (Description of staff responsibilities can vary by contract and is for guidance only.)
  A. Illinois Tollway Project Manager (PM)

  The PM will be the primary point of contact with the Designer. The PM will be responsible for ensuring that the Designer complies with the directives of this manual and for disseminating information and submittals to the appropriate individuals. Permit submittals, when needed, shall be prepared by the Designer and submitted to the PM. The PM will submit permit applications to the appropriate Tollway staff or outside agencies.

  B. Illinois Tollway Environmental Planner (EP)

  The Environmental Planner (EP) will be responsible for ensuring that the PM, and therefore the Designer and the Landscape DSE, is aware of how environmental concerns effect the project or study. The EP will review all related submittals, including permit applications to the Illinois Tollway by the Designer, and other reports and contract documents as necessary, and will ensure that the landscape plans are in compliance with the Landscape Goals for the project. The EP will be the primary point of contact with state and federal resource and regulatory agencies.
C. Illinois Tollway Landscape Architect

The Landscape Architect will primarily administer the Illinois Tollway policy and procedures for the application and planning of natural elements, and the reduction of impacts on the landscape, including but not limited to, vegetation. The Landscape Architect will administer Illinois Tollway policies and procedures with a concern for stewardship and conservation of natural resources, aesthetics, and sensitivity to the community, with the goal of constructing roadways that improve mobility while enhancing the qualities of a place. The responsibilities of the Landscape Architect can vary by contract. The Landscape Architect, on a typical project, will guide the work as follows:

- advise the Designer, EP, Landscape DSE, and other members of the project team on in-the-field site investigations, the systematic examination of the site, the collection of site data, and analysis of existing site conditions;
- review the Issues and Opportunities Diagram and EVA to assist in establishing the Landscape Goals for the project;
- review any landscape design standards developed by County, local agencies, or municipalities with the Designer and the Landscape DSE, and determine to what extent they should be adopted for use on the project;
- assist in establishing the Landscape Goals for the project;
- advise the Designer and the Landscape DSE on the selection of plant material and on the site and landscape design direction;
- make the final assessment of the plant material selected to determine its suitability for site conditions and salt tolerance;
- approve the selection of bare root plant material where appropriate;
- review any addenda for compliance with Landscape Goals of the project; and
- work with the CM to nursery tag plant material and review placement of plant material on-site.

4.4.2 Designer responsibilities include:

- ensuring that the approach to the project follows the principles of “Context Sensitive Design” as stated in Article 4.1.2. Design Approach of this manual.
- coordinating with the Illinois Tollway EP, Illinois Tollway Landscape Architect, the Landscape DSE, and other members of the project team to facilitate in-the-field investigations, systematic examination of the site, collection of site data, and the analysis of existing site conditions;
ensuring that the finding of the data collection and analysis phase and the EVA is recorded on the Issues and Opportunities Diagram;

verifying County or local agency requirements under the direction of the PM;

reviewing any landscape design standards developed by County, local agencies, or municipalities with the Illinois Tollway’s Landscape Architect and the Landscape DSE, and determining to what extent they should be adopted for use on the project;

assisting in establishing the Landscape Goals for the project;

reviewing current Illinois Tollway Standard Drawings, Specifications, and Supplemental Specifications for the latest criteria;

ensuring that the landscape concept design is coordinated with the grading and drainage concepts;

ensuring that the landscape design addresses all the issues and opportunities delineated on the Issues and Opportunities Diagram;

ensuring that the landscape plans conform to Illinois Tollway Standard Specifications and Standard Drawings and preparing or directing the preparation of Plans, Special Provisions, and Special Drawings as required;

reviewing design submittals to ensure that the landscape concepts are coordinated and complimentary to the proposed drainage, grading, and lighting designs; as well as for technical adequacy, compliance with the Landscape Goals established for the project, and confirming that the bid schedule includes all relevant measures;

filling out and submitting to the Illinois Tollway the Landscape Design Submittal Checklist;

assisting the Landscape DSE in making the final assessment of the plant material selected in determining its suitability for site conditions and salt tolerance;

reviewing, if required, any addenda for clarity and accuracy;

ensuring that background documentation meets the requirements of the Illinois Tollway Environmental Studies Manual; and

attending the Erosion and Sediment Control Preconstruction Meeting.

4.4.3 Construction Manager (CM) responsibilities include:

scheduling and holding the Preconstruction Erosion and Sediment Control Meeting. See the Illinois Tollway’s WBPM for the most recent version of the A-40 form;

nursery tagging, transporting, storing, and on-site locating of all plant materials in accordance with Standard Specification Sections 253 and 254 – Planting, under the guidance of the Illinois Tollway Landscape Architect;
• ensuring that the plant material and other landscape features are installed in accordance with the plans and specifications and consulting with the Illinois Tollway’s Landscape Architect or other Illinois Tollway designated representatives if the landscape plans need to be changed;

• developing the A-37, Period of Establishment form, and providing copies to the Illinois Tollway PM, Illinois Tollway Landscape Architect, and Landscape Contractor (See the Illinois Tollway’s WBPM for the most recent version of the A-37 Landscape Period of Establishment form.);

• ensuring that electronic copies of these forms shall be filed in the Illinois Tollway’s WBPM;

• Ensuring that the Landscape Design Submittal Checklist is filed in the Illinois Tollway’s WBPM; and

• Inspecting the installed measures, in cooperation with the Contractor’s Landscape Manager, to ensure compliance with all plans, specifications, and procedures.

4.5 Approvals

4.5.1 Coordination with other Agencies/Municipalities

Illinois Tollway facilities cross and interconnect with State, Township, County, and Municipal properties and roadways. Requirements, design standards, or defined landscape character established by these agencies/municipalities should be followed, if possible, within, adjacent to, or leading to that agency’s jurisdiction. Opportunities to expand local partnerships or apply innovative designs should also be explored. It is the responsibility of the Designer to obtain the requirements of all agencies within and directly adjacent to the project limits, as well as identify opportunities to expand local partnerships. The Designer, in coordination with the Illinois Tollway PM, shall evaluate these requirements and opportunities and determine their applicability to the Illinois Tollway project. The Illinois Tollway PM will be informed of all coordination efforts to be performed prior to contact being made with any agencies.

Special attention shall be paid in the coordination of the following:

• any public outreach or presentations that may be required by the municipality or agency in question;

• the potential of developing gateway treatments at the intersections, with roadways leading into towns, or other important facilities;

• the potential of developing gateway treatments at the crossing of boundaries such as county lines, or the crossing of natural features such as rivers;

• the preservation of viewsheds that are deemed important by the municipality or agency;

• the screening of views to or from the Illinois Tollway facility; and
• the blending of the Illinois Tollway facility into the landscape character of its surroundings.

4.5.2 Coordination with Other Disciplines that are part of the Project Team

The character and concept for the landscape design will be developed in conjunction with the overall design team in an integrative design approach. The drainage systems, grading, and other elements shall be part of the same overall landscape character as defined in the Landscape Goals developed for the project. Coordination with the other disciplines of the design team shall take place throughout all phases of the project. The Landscape DSE shall consider structures, site furnishings, plant materials, topography, grading, swales, and ponds in order to develop innovative design solutions and collaborative problem solving. The design, however, shall comply with the criteria as laid out in the Illinois Tollway DDM or other Illinois Tollway criteria, and shall also place safety as the highest concern.
APPENDIX 1

NPDES Forms: NPDES Permit No. ILR10, NOI, ION, and NOT Forms
NPDES Permit No. ILR10

General NPDES Permit No. ILR10 Modification

Illinois Environmental Protection Agency
Division of Water Pollution Control
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Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276
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NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM

General NPDES Permit
For
Storm Water Discharges From Construction Site Activities

Expiration Date: July 31, 2018
Issue Date: July 30, 2013
Effective Date: August 1, 2013
Modification Date: April 30, 2014

In compliance with the provisions of the Illinois Environmental Protection Act, the Illinois Pollution Control Board Rules and Regulations (35 Ill. Adm. Code, Subtitle C, Chapter I), and the Clean Water Act, and the regulations thereunder the following discharges are authorized by this permit in accordance with the conditions and attachments herein.

Alan Keller, P.E.
Manager, Permit Section
Division of Water Pollution Control

Part I. COVERAGE UNDER THIS PERMIT

A. Permit Area. The permit covers all areas of the State of Illinois with discharges to any waters of the State.

B. Eligibility.

1. This permit shall authorize all discharges of storm water associated with industrial activity from a construction site that will result in the disturbance of one or more acres total land area or a construction site less than one acre of total land that is a part of a larger common plan of development or sale if the larger common plan will ultimately disturb one or more acres of total land area. This permit may authorize discharges from other construction site activities that have been designated by the Agency as having the potential to adversely affect the water quality of waters of the state. This permit also authorizes discharges from construction sites previously approved by the Agency under the previous version of ILR10 that are still occurring after the effective date of this permit, except for discharges identified under Part I.B.3 (Limitations on Coverage). Where discharges from construction sites were initially covered under the previous version of the ILR10, the Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan must be updated/revised as necessary to ensure compliance with the provision of this reissued ILR10 permit.

2. This permit may only authorize a storm water discharge associated with industrial activity from a construction site that is mixed with a storm water discharge from an industrial source other than construction, where:
   a. the industrial source other than construction is located on the same site as the construction activity;
   b. storm water discharges associated with industrial activity from the areas of the site where construction activities are occurring are in compliance with the terms of this permit; and
   c. storm water discharges associated with industrial activity from the areas of the site where industrial activities other than construction are occurring (including storm water discharges from dedicated asphalt plants and dedicated concrete plants) are covered by a different NPDES general permit or an individual permit authorizing such discharges.
3. **Limitations on Coverage.** The following storm water discharges from construction sites are not authorized by this permit:

   a. storm water discharges associated with industrial activities that originate from the site after construction activities have been completed and the site has undergone final stabilization;

   b. discharges that are mixed with sources of non-storm water other than discharges identified in Part III.A (Prohibition on Non-Storm Water Discharges) of this permit and in compliance with paragraph IV.D.5 (Non-Storm Water Discharges) of this permit;

   c. storm water discharges associated with industrial activity that are subject to an existing NPDES individual or general permit or which are issued a permit in accordance with Part VI.N (Requiring an Individual Permit or an Alternative General Permit) of this permit. Such discharges may be authorized under this permit after an existing permit expires provided the existing permit did not establish numeric limitations for such discharges;

   d. storm water discharges from construction sites that the Agency has determined to be or may reasonably be expected to be contributing to a violation of a water quality standard; and

   e. storm water discharges that the Agency, at its discretion, determines are not appropriately authorized or controlled by this general permit.


C. **Authorization.**

   1. In order for storm water discharges from construction sites to be authorized to discharge under this general permit a discharger must submit a Notice of Intent (NOI) in accordance with the requirements of Part II below, using an NOI form provided by the Agency.

   2. Where a new contractor is selected after the submittal of an NOI under Part II below, or where site ownership is transferred, a new Notice of Intent (NOI) must be submitted by the owner in accordance with Part II.

   3. Unless notified by the Agency to the contrary, dischargers who submit an NOI in accordance with the requirements of this permit are authorized to discharge storm water from construction sites under the terms and conditions of this permit in 30 days after the date the NOI is received by the Agency.

   4. The Agency may deny coverage under this permit and require submittal of an application for an individual NPDES permit based on a review of the NOI or other information.

**Part II. NOTICE OF INTENT REQUIREMENTS**

A. **Deadlines for Notification.**

   1. To receive authorization under this general permit, a discharger must submit a completed Notice of Intent (NOI) in accordance with Part VI.G (Signatory Requirements) and the requirements of this Part in sufficient time to allow a 30 day review period after the receipt of the NOI by the Agency prior to the start of construction. The completed NOI may be submitted electronically to the following email address: epaconstir10swppp@illinois.gov

   2. Discharges that were covered by the previous version of ILR10 are automatically covered by this permit. Where discharges associated with construction activities were initially covered under the previous version of ILR10 and are continuing, the Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan must be updated/revised within 12 months of the effective date of this reissued permit, as necessary to ensure compliance with the provisions of the reissued ILR10. Updating of the SWPPP is not required if construction activities are completed and a Notice of Termination is submitted within 12 months of the effective date of this permit.

   3. A discharger may submit an NOI in accordance with the requirements of this Part after the start of construction. In such instances, the Agency may bring an enforcement action for any discharges of storm water associated with industrial activity from a construction site that have occurred on or after the start of construction.

B. **Failure to Notify.** Dischargers who fail to notify the Agency of their intent to be covered, and discharge storm water associated with construction site activity to Water of the State without an NPDES permit are in violation of the Environmental Protection Act and Clean Water Act.

C. **Contents of Notice of Intent.** The Notice of Intent shall be signed in accordance with Part VI.G (Signatory Requirements) of this permit by all of the entities identified in paragraph 2 below and shall include the following information:

   1. The mailing address, and location of the construction site for which the notification is submitted. Where a mailing address for the site is not available, the location can be described in terms of the latitude and longitude of the approximate center of the facility to the nearest 15 seconds, or the nearest quarter section (if the section, township and range is provided) that the construction site is located in;

   2. The owner's name, address, telephone number, and status as Federal, State, private, public or other entity;

   3. The name, address and telephone number of the general contractor(s) that have been identified at the time of the NOI submittal;

   4. The name of the receiving water(s). If the discharge is through a municipal separate storm sewer, the name of the municipal operator of the storm sewer and the ultimate receiving water(s);

   5. The number of any NPDES permits for any discharge (including non-storm water discharges) from the site that is currently authorized by an NPDES permit;
6. A description of the project, detailing the complete scope of the project, estimated timetable for major activities and an estimate of the number of acres of the site on which soil will be disturbed;

7. For projects that have complied with State law on historic preservation and endangered species prior to submittal of the NOI, through coordination with the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency and the Illinois Department of Natural Resources or through fulfillment of the terms of interagency agreements with those agencies, the NOI shall indicate that such compliance has occurred.

8. An electronic copy of the storm water pollution prevention plan that has been prepared for the site in accordance with Part IV of this permit. The electronic copy shall be submitted to the Agency at the following email address: epa.constlir10swppp@illinois.gov

9. Revised notice of intents shall be submitted for any substantial modifications to the project such as: address changes, new contractors, area coverage, additional discharges to waters of the state, or other substantial modifications.

D. Where to Submit.

Construction activities which discharge storm water that requires a NPDES permit must use an NOI form provided by the Agency. The applicable fee shall also be submitted. NOIs must be signed in accordance with Part VI.G (Signatory Requirements) of this permit. The NOI form may be submitted to the Agency in any of the following methods:

1. File electronically with digital signature at the following website address: http://dataservices.epa.illinois.gov/SWConstructionPermit/bowllogin.aspx

Registration specific to the permittee is required in order to file electronically.

2. Submit complete NOI and SWPPP electronically to the following email address: epa.constlir10swppp@illinois.gov. Submit the NOI with original signature and fee by certified mail to the Agency at the following address:

   Illinois Environmental Protection Agency
   Division of Water Pollution Control, Mail Code #15
   Attention: Permit Section
   1021 North Grand Avenue East
   Post Office Box 19276
   Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276

E. Additional Notification. Construction activities that are operating under approved local sediment and erosion plans, land disturbance permits, grading plans, or storm water management plans, in addition to filing copies of the Notice of Intent in accordance with Part D above, shall also submit signed copies of the Notice of Intent to the local agency approving such plans in accordance with the deadlines in Part A above. See Part IV.D.2.d (Approved State or Local Plans). A copy of the NOI shall be sent to the entity holding an active General NPDES Permit No. ILR40 if the permittee is located in an area covered by an active ILR40 permit.

F. Notice of Termination. Where a site has completed final stabilization and all storm water discharges from construction activities that are authorized by this permit are eliminated, the permittee must submit a completed Notice of Termination that is signed in accordance with Part VI.G (Signatory Requirements) of this permit.

1. The Notice of Termination shall include the following information:
   a. The mailing address, and location of the construction site for which the notification is submitted. Where a mailing address for the site is not available, the location can be described in terms of the latitude and longitude of the approximate center of the facility to the nearest 15 seconds, or the nearest quarter section (if the section, township and range is provided) that the construction site is located in;
   b. The owner’s name, address, telephone number, and status as Federal, State, private, public or other entity;
   c. The name, address and telephone number of the general contractor(s);
   d. The date when construction was completed and the site was stabilized; and
   e. The following certification signed in accordance with Part VI.G (Signatory Requirements) of this permit:

"I certify under penalty of law that all storm water discharges associated with construction site activity from the identified facility that are authorized by NPDES general permit ILR10 have otherwise been eliminated. I understand that by submitting this notice of termination, that I am no longer authorized to discharge storm water associated with construction site activity by the general permit, and that discharging pollutants in storm water associated with construction site activity to Waters of the State is unlawful under the Environmental Protection Act and Clean Water Act where the discharge is not authorized by a NPDES permit. I also understand that the submittal of this notice of termination does not release an operator from liability for any violations of this permit or the Clean Water Act."

For the purposes of this certification, elimination of storm water discharges associated with industrial activity means that all disturbed soils at the identified facility have been finally stabilized and temporary erosion and sediment control measures have been removed or will be removed at a appropriate time, or that all storm water discharges associated with construction activities from the identified site that are authorized by a NPDES general permit have otherwise been eliminated.

2. All Notices of Termination are to be sent to the Agency to the mailing address in Part II.D.1, using the form provided by the Agency, or electronically if the permittee submitted a Notice of Intent by electronic means.
Part III. SPECIAL CONDITIONS, MANAGEMENT PRACTICES, AND OTHER NON-NUMERIC LIMITATIONS

A. Prohibition on Non-Storm Water Discharges.

1. Except as provided in Part I paragraph B.2 and paragraphs 2, 3 or 4 below, all discharges covered by this permit shall be comprised entirely of storm water.

2. a. Except as provided in paragraph b below, discharges of materials other than storm water must be in compliance with a NPDES permit (other than this permit) issued for the discharge.

b. The following non-storm water discharges may be authorized by this permit provided the non-storm water component of the discharges is in compliance with Part IV.D.5 (Non-Storm Water Discharges): discharges from fire fighting activities; fire hydrant flushings; waters used to wash vehicles where detergents are not used; waters used to control dust; potable water sources including uncontaminated waterline flushings; landscape irrigation drainages; routine external building washdown which does not use detergents; pavement wash waters where spills or leaks of toxic or hazardous materials have not occurred (unless all spilled material has been removed) and where detergents are not used; uncontaminated air conditioning condensate; springs; uncontaminated groundwater; and foundation or footing drains where flows are not contaminated with process materials such as solvents.

3. The following non-storm water discharges are prohibited by this permit: concrete and wastewater from washout of concrete (unless managed by an appropriate control), drywall compound, wastewater from washout and cleanout of stucco, paint, form release oils, curing compounds and other construction materials, fuels, oils, or other pollutants used in vehicle and equipment operation and maintenance, soaps, solvents, or detergents, toxic or hazardous substances from a spill or other release, or any other pollutant that could cause or tend to cause water pollution.

4. Discharges from dewatering activities, including discharges from dewatering of trenches and excavations, are allowable if managed by appropriate controls.

B. Discharges into Receiving Waters With an Approved Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL):

Discharges to waters for which there is a TMDL allocation for sediment or a parameter that addresses sediment (such as total suspended solids, turbidity, or salinity) are not eligible for coverage under this permit unless the owner/operator develops and certifies a SWPPP that is consistent with wastewater allocations in the approved TMDL. To be eligible for coverage under this general permit, operators must incorporate into their SWPPP any conditions and/or Best Management Practices applicable to their discharges necessary for consistency with the TMDL within any timeframes established in the TMDL. If a specific numeric waste load allocation has been established that would apply to the project’s discharges, the operator must incorporate that allocation into its SWPPP and implement necessary steps to meet that allocation.

Please refer to the Agency website at: http://www.epa.state.il.us/water/tmdl/report-status.html

C. Discharges covered by this permit, alone or in combination with other sources, shall not cause or contribute to a violation of any applicable water quality standard.

Part IV. STORM WATER POLLUTION PREVENTION PLANS

A storm water pollution prevention plan shall be developed for each construction site covered by this permit. Storm water pollution prevention plans shall be prepared in accordance with good engineering practices. The plan shall identify potential sources of pollution which may reasonably be expected to affect the quality of storm water discharges associated with construction site activity from the facility. In addition, the plan shall describe and ensure the implementation of best management practices which will be used to reduce the pollutants in storm water discharges associated with construction site activity and to assure compliance with the terms and conditions of this permit. The permittee must implement the provisions of the storm water pollution prevention plan required under this part as a condition of this permit.

A. Deadlines for Plan Preparation and Compliance.

The plan shall:

1. Be completed prior to the start of the construction activities to be covered under this permit and submitted electronically to the Agency at the time the Notice of Intent is submitted; and

2. Provide for compliance with the terms and schedules of the plan beginning with the initiation of construction activities.

B. Signature, Plan Review and Notification.

1. The plan shall be signed in accordance with Part VI.G (Signatory Requirements), and be retained at the construction site which generates the storm water discharge in accordance with Part VI.E (Duty to Provide Information) of this permit.

2. Prior to commencement of construction, the permittee shall provide the plan to the Agency.

3. The permittee shall make plans available upon request from this Agency or a local agency approving sediment and erosion plans, grading plans, or storm water management plans; or in the case of a storm water discharge associated with industrial activity which discharges through a municipal separate storm sewer system. A list of permitted municipal separate storm sewer systems is available at: http://www.epa.state.il.us/water/permits/storm-water/ms4-status-report.pdf

4. The Agency may notify the permittee at any time that the plan does not meet one or more of the minimum requirements of this Part. Such notification shall identify those provisions of the permit which are not being met by the plan, and identify which provisions of the plan require modifications in order to meet the minimum requirements of this Part. Within 7 days from receipt of notification from the Agency, the permittee shall make the required changes to the plan and shall submit to the Agency a written certification that the requested changes have been made. Failure to comply shall terminate authorization.
under this permit.

5. A copy of the letter of notification of coverage along with the General NPDES Permit for Storm Water Discharges from Construction Site Activities or other indication that storm water discharges from the site are covered under an NPDES permit shall be posted at the site in a prominent place for public viewing (such as alongside a building permit).

6. All storm water pollution prevention plans and all completed inspection forms/reports required under this permit are considered reports that shall be available to the public at any reasonable time upon request. However, the permittee may claim any portion of a storm water pollution prevention plan as confidential in accordance with 40 CFR Part 2.

C. Keeping Plans Current. The permittee shall amend the plan whenever there is a change in design, construction, operation, or maintenance, which has a significant effect on the potential for the discharge of pollutants to Waters of the State and which has not otherwise been addressed in the plan or if the storm water pollution prevention plan proves to be ineffective in eliminating or significantly minimizing pollutants from sources identified under paragraph D.2 below, or in otherwise achieving the general objectives of controlling pollutants in storm water discharges associated with construction site activity. In addition, the plan shall be amended to identify any new contractor and/or subcontractor that will implement a measure of the storm water pollution prevention plan. Amendments to the plan may be reviewed by the Agency in the same manner as Part IV.B above. Any revisions of the documents for the storm water pollution prevention plan shall be kept on site at all times.

D. Contents of Plan. The storm water pollution prevention plan shall include the following items:

1. Site Description. Each plan shall provide a description of the following:

   a. A description of the nature of the construction activity or demolition work;
   b. A description of the intended sequence of major activities which disturb soils for major portions of the site (e.g. clearing, grubbing, excavation, grading, on-site or off-site stockpiling of soils, on-site or off-site storage of materials);
   c. An estimate of the total area of the site and the total area of the site that is expected to be disturbed by clearing, grubbing, excavation, grading, on-site or off-site stockpiling of soils and storage of materials, or other activities;
   d. An estimate of the runoff coefficient of the site after construction activities are completed and existing data describing the soil or the quality of any discharge from the site;
   e. A site map indicating drainage patterns and approximate slopes anticipated before and after major grading activities, locations where vehicles enter or exit the site and controls to prevent off-site sediment tracking, areas of soil disturbance, the location of major structural and nonstructural controls identified in the plan, the location of areas where stabilization practices are expected to occur, locations of on-site or off-site soil stockpiling or material storage, surface waters (including wetlands), and locations where storm water is discharged to a surface water; and
   f. The name of the receiving water(s) and the ultimate receiving water(s), and areal extent of wetland acreage at the site.

2. Controls. Each plan shall include a description of appropriate controls that will be implemented at the construction site and any off-site stockpile or storage area, The Illinois Urban Manual www.aswc.org/IUM or other similar documents shall be used for developing the appropriate management practices, controls or revisions of the plan. The plan will clearly describe for each major activity identified in paragraph D.1 above, appropriate controls and the timing during the construction process that the controls will be implemented. For example, perimeter controls for one portion of the site will be installed after the clearing and grubbing necessary for installation of the measure, but before the clearing and grubbing for the remaining portions of the site. Perimeter controls will be actively maintained and/or repaired until final stabilization of those portions of the site upward of the perimeter control. Temporary perimeter controls will be removed after final stabilization. The description of controls shall address as appropriate the following minimum components:

   a. Erosion and Sediment Controls. The permittee shall design, install and maintain effective erosion controls and sediment controls to minimize the discharge of pollutants. At a minimum, such controls must be designed, installed and maintained to:
      (i) Control storm water volume and velocity within the site to minimize soil erosion;
      (ii) Control storm water discharges, including both peak flowrates and total storm water volume, to minimize erosion at outlets and to minimize downstream channel and streambank erosion;
      (iii) Minimize the amount of soil exposed during construction activity;
      (iv) Minimize the disturbance of steep slopes;
      (v) Minimize sediment discharges from the site. The design, installation and maintenance of erosion and sediment controls must address factors such as the amount, frequency, intensity and duration of precipitation, the nature of resulting storm water runoff, and soil characteristics, including the range of soil particle sizes expected to be present on the site;
      (vi) Provide and maintain natural buffers around surface waters, direct storm water to vegetated areas to increase sediment removal and maximize storm water infiltration, unless infeasible; and
      (vii) Minimize soil compaction and, unless infeasible, preserve topsoil.

   b. Stabilization Practices. The storm water pollution prevention plan shall include a description of interim and permanent stabilization practices, including site-specific scheduling of the implementation of the practices. Site plans should ensure that existing vegetation is preserved where practicable and that disturbed portions of the site are stabilized. Stabilization practices may include: temporarily seeding, permanent seeding, mulching, geotextiles, sod stabilization, vegetative buffer strips, protection of trees, preservation of mature vegetation, staged or staggered development, and other appropriate measures. A record of the dates when major grading activities occur, when construction activities temporarily or permanently cease on a portion of the site, and when stabilization measures are initiated, shall be included in the plan. Stabilization of disturbed areas must, at a minimum, be initiated immediately whenever any clearing, grading, excavating or other earth disturbing activities have permanently ceased on any portion of the site, or temporarily ceased on any portion of the site and will not resume for a period exceeding 14 calendar days. Stabilization of disturbed areas must be initiated within 1 working day of permanent or temporary cessation of earth disturbing activities and shall be completed as soon as possible but not later than 14 days from the initiation of stabilization work in an area. Exceptions to these time frames are specified as provided in paragraphs (i) and (ii) below:
(i) Where the initiation of stabilization measures is precluded by snow cover, stabilization measures shall be initiated as soon as practicable.
(ii) On areas where construction activity has temporarily ceased and will resume after 14 days, a temporary stabilization method can be used. Temporary stabilization techniques and materials shall be described in the SWPPP.

c. Structural Practices. A description of structural practices utilized to divert flows from exposed soils, store flows or otherwise limit runoff and the discharge of pollutants from exposed areas of the site. Such practices may include silt fences, earth dikes, drainage swales, sediment traps, check dams, subsurface drains, pipe slope drains, level spreaders, storm drain inlet protection, rock outlet protection, reinforced soil retaining systems, gabions, and temporary or permanent sediment basins. Structural practices should be placed on upland soils to the degree practicable. The installation of these devices may be subject to Section 404 of the CWA.

(i) The following design requirements apply to sediment basins if such structural practices will be installed to reduce sediment concentrations in storm water discharges:
   a. When discharging from the sediment basin, utilize outlet structures that withdraw water from the surface in order to minimize the discharge.
   b. Prevent erosion of the sediment basin using stabilization controls (e.g., erosion control blankets), at the inlet and outlet using erosion controls and velocity dissipation devices.
   c. Sediment basins shall be designed to facilitate maintenance, including sediment removal from the basins, as necessary.

d. Use of Treatment Chemicals. Identify the use of all polymer flocculants or treatment chemicals at the site. Dosage of treatment chemicals shall be identified along with any information from any Material Safety Data Sheet. Describe the location of all storage area for chemicals. Include any information from the manufacturer's specifications. Treatment chemicals must be stored in areas where they will not be exposed to precipitation. The SWPPP must describe procedures for use of treatment chemicals and staff responsible for use/application of treatment chemicals must be trained on the established procedures.

e. Best Management Practices for Impaired Waters. For any site which discharges directly to an impaired water identified on the Agency's website for 303(d) listing for suspended solids, turbidity, or siltation the storm water pollution prevention plan shall be designed for a storm event equal to or greater than a 25-year 24-hour rainfall event. If required by federal regulations or the Illinois Urban Manual, the storm water pollution prevention plan shall adhere to a more restrictive design criteria. Please refer to the Agency's website at: (http://www.epa.state.il.us/water/tmdl/303d-list.html)

f. Pollution Prevention. The permittee shall design, install, implement, and maintain effective pollution prevention measures to minimize the discharge of pollutants. At a minimum, such measures must be designed, installed, implemented and maintained to:
   a. Minimize the discharge of pollutants from equipment and vehicle washing, wheel wash water, and other wash waters. Wash waters must be treated in a sediment basin or alternative control that provides equivalent or better treatment prior to discharge.
   (ii) Minimize the exposure of building materials, building products, construction wastes, trash, landscape materials, fertilizers, pesticides, herbicides, detergents, sanitary waste and other materials present on the site to precipitation and to storm water; and
   (iii) Minimize the discharge of pollutants from spills and leaks and implement chemical spill and leak prevention and response procedures.

g. Other Controls.
   (i) Waste Disposal. No solid materials, including building materials, shall be discharged to Waters of the State, except as authorized by a Section 404 permit.
   (ii) The plan shall ensure and demonstrate compliance with applicable State and/or local waste disposal, sanitary sewer or septic system regulations.
   (iii) For construction sites that receive concrete or asphalt from off-site locations, the plan must identify and include appropriate controls and measures to reduce or eliminate discharges from these activities.
   (iv) The plan shall include spill response procedures and provisions for reporting if there are releases in excess of reportable quantities.

h. Best Management Practices for Post-Construction Storm Water Management. Describe the measures that will be installed during the construction process to control pollutants in storm water discharges that will occur after construction operations have been completed. Structural measures should be placed on upland soils to the degree attainable. The installation of these devices may be subject to Section 404 of the CWA. This permit only addresses the installation of storm water management measures, and not the ultimate operation and maintenance of such structures after the construction activities have been completed and the site has undergone final stabilization. Permittees are responsible for only the installation and maintenance of storm water management measures prior to final stabilization of the site, and are not responsible for maintenance after storm water discharges associated with industrial activity have been eliminated from the site.

   (i) While not mandatory, it is advisable that the permittee consider including in its storm water pollution prevention plan design and construction plans methods of post-construction storm water management to retain the greatest amount of post-development stormwater runoff practicable, given the site and project constraints. Such practices may include but are not limited to: storm water detention structures (including wet ponds); storm water retention structures; flow attenuation by use of open vegetated swales and natural depressions; infiltration of runoff onsite; and sequential systems (which combine several practices). Technical information on many post-construction storm water management practices is included in the Illinois Urban Manual (2012).

   The storm water pollution prevention plan shall include an explanation of the technical basis used to select the practices to control pollution where post-construction flows will exceed predevelopment levels.

   (ii) Velocity dissipation devices shall be placed at discharge locations and along the length of any outfall channel as necessary to provide a non-eroding velocity flow from the structure to a water course so that the natural physical and biological characteristics and functions are maintained and protected (e.g. maintenance of hydrologic conditions, such as the hydroperiod and hydrodynamics present prior to the initiation of construction activities).
(iii) Unless otherwise specified in the Illinois Urban Manual (2012), the storm water pollution prevention plan shall be designed for a storm event equal to or greater than a 25-year 24-hour rainfall event.

i. Approved State or Local Plans.

(i) The management practices, controls and other provisions contained in the storm water pollution prevention plan must be at least as protective as the requirements contained in the Illinois Urban Manual, 2012. Construction activities which discharge storm water must include in their storm water pollution prevention plan procedures and requirements specified in applicable sediment and erosion control plans or storm water management plans approved by local officials. Requirements specified in sediment and erosion control plans or site permits or storm water management site plans or site permits approved by local officials that are applicable to protecting surface water resources are, upon submittal of an NOI to be authorized to discharge under this permit, incorporated by reference and are enforceable under this permit. The plans shall include all requirements of this permit and include more stringent standards required by any local approval. This provision does not apply to provisions of master plans, comprehensive plans, non-enforceable guidelines or technical guidance documents that are not identified in a specific plan or permit that is issued for the construction site.

(ii) Dischargers seeking alternative permit requirements are not authorized by this permit and shall submit a request for the permit application in accordance with 40 CFR 122.25 at the address indicated in Part II.D (Where to Submit) of this permit, along with a description of why requirements in approved local plans or permits should not be applicable as a condition of an NPDES permit.


a. The plan shall include a description of procedures to maintain in good and effective operating conditions, all erosion and sediment control measures and other Best Management Practices, including vegetation and other protective measures identified in the Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan.

b. Where a basin has been installed to control sediment during construction activities, the Permittees shall keep the basin(s) in effective operating condition and remove accumulated sediment as necessary.

4. Inspections. Qualified personnel (provided by the permittee) shall inspect disturbed areas of the construction site that have not been finally stabilized, structural control measures, and locations where vehicles enter or exit the site at least once every seven calendar days and within 24 hours of the end of a storm or by the end of the following business or work day that is 0.5 inches or greater. Qualified personnel means a person knowledgeable in the principles and practices of erosion and sediment controls measures, such as a licensed Professional Engineer (P.E.), a Certified Professional in Erosion and Sediment Control (CPESC), a Certified Erosion Sediment and Storm Water Inspector (CESSWI) or other knowledgeable person who possesses the skills to assess conditions at the construction site that could impact storm water quality and to assess the effectiveness of any sediment and erosion control measures selected to control the quality of storm water discharges from the construction activities.

a. Inspections may be reduced to once per month when construction activities have ceased due to frozen conditions. Weekly inspections will recommence when construction activities are conducted, or if there is 0.5" or greater rain event, or a discharge due to snowmelt occurs.

b. Disturbed areas and areas used for storage of materials that are exposed to precipitation shall be inspected for evidence of, or the potential for, pollutants entering the drainage system. Erosion and sediment control measures identified in the plan shall be observed to ensure that they are operating correctly. Where discharge locations or points are accessible, they shall be inspected to ascertain whether erosion control measures are effective in preventing significant impacts to receiving waters. Locations where vehicles enter or exit the site shall be inspected for evidence of offsite sediment tracking.

c. Based on the results of the inspection, the description of potential pollutant sources identified in the storm water pollution prevention plan in accordance with Part IV.D.1 (Site Description) of this permit and the pollution prevention control measures identified in the plan in accordance with Part IV.D.2 (Controls) of this permit shall be revised as appropriate as soon as practicable after such inspection to minimize the potential for such discharges. Such modifications shall provide for timely implementation of any changes to the plan and pollution prevention control measures within 7 calendar days following the inspection.

d. A report summarizing the scope of the inspection, name(s) and qualifications of personnel making the inspection, the date(s) of the inspection, major observations relating to the implementation of the storm water pollution prevention plan, and actions taken in accordance with paragraph b above shall be made and retained as part of the storm water pollution prevention plan for at least three years from the date that the permit coverage expires or is terminated. All inspection reports shall be retained at the construction site. The report shall be signed in accordance with Part VI.G (Signatory Requirements) of this permit.

e. The permittee shall notify the appropriate Agency Field Operations Section office by email at: eca.swoncomp@illinois.gov, telephone or fax within 24 hours of any incident of noncompliance for any violation of the storm water pollution prevention plan observed during any inspection conducted, or for violations of any condition of this permit. The permittee shall complete and submit within 5 days an "Incidence of Noncompliance" (ICN) report for any violation of the storm water pollution prevention plan observed during any inspection conducted, or for violations of any condition of this permit. Submission shall be on forms provided by the Agency and include specific information on the cause of noncompliance, actions which were taken to prevent any further causes of noncompliance, and a statement detailing any environmental impact which may have resulted from the noncompliance. Corrective actions must be undertaken immediately to address the identified non-compliance issue(s).

f. All reports of noncompliance shall be signed by a responsible authority as defined in Part VI.G (Signatory Requirements).
After the initial contact has been made with the appropriate Agency Field Operations Section Office, all reports of noncompliance shall be mailed to the Agency at the following address:

Illinois Environmental Protection Agency
Division of Water Pollution Control
Compliance Assurance Section
1021 North Grand Avenue East
Post Office Box 19276
Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276

5. **Non-Storm Water Discharges.** Except for flows from fire fighting activities, sources of non-storm water listed in Part III.A.2 of this permit that are combined with storm water discharges associated with industrial activity must be identified in the plan. The plan shall identify and insures the implementation of appropriate pollution prevention measures for the non-storm water component(s) of the discharge.

E. **Additional requirements for storm water discharges from industrial activities other than construction, including dedicated asphalt plants, and dedicated concrete plants.** This permit may only authorize any storm water discharge associated with industrial activity from a construction site that is mixed with a storm water discharge from an industrial source other than construction, where:

1. The industrial source other than construction is located on the same site as the construction activity;

2. Storm water discharges associated with industrial activity from the areas of the site where construction activities are occurring are in compliance with the terms of this permit; and

3. Storm water discharges associated with industrial activity from the areas of the site where industrial activity other than construction are occurring (including storm water discharges from dedicated asphalt plants [other than asphalt emulsion facilities] and dedicated concrete plants) are in compliance with the terms, including applicable NOI or application requirements, of a different NPDES general permit or individual permit authorizing such discharges.

F. **Contractors.**

1. The storm water pollution prevention plan must clearly identify for each measure identified in the plan, the contractor(s) or subcontractor(s) that will implement the measure. All contractors and subcontractors identified in the plan must sign a copy of the certification statement in paragraph 2 below in accordance with Part VI.G (Signatory Requirements) of this permit. All certifications must be included in the storm water pollution prevention plan except for owners that are acting as contractors.

2. **Certification Statement.** All contractors and subcontractors identified in a storm water pollution prevention plan in accordance with paragraph 1 above shall sign a copy of the following certification statement before conducting any professional service at the site identified in the storm water pollution prevention plan:

   "I certify under penalty of law that I understand the terms and conditions of the general National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit (ILR10) that authorizes the storm water discharges associated with industrial activity from the construction site identified as part of this certification."

The certification must include the name and title of the person providing the signature in accordance with Part VI.G of this permit: the name, address and telephone number of the contracting firm; the address (or other identifying description) of the site; and the date the certification is made.

**Part V. RETENTION OF RECORDS**

A. The permittee shall retain copies of storm water pollution prevention plans and all reports and notices required by this permit, records of all data used to complete the Notice of Intent to be covered by this permit and the Agency Notice of Permit Coverage letter for a period of at least three years from the date that the permit coverage expires or is terminated. This period may be extended by request of the Agency at any time.

B. The permittee shall retain a copy of the storm water pollution prevention plan and any revisions to said plan required by this permit at the construction site from the date of project initiation to the date of final stabilization.

**Part VI. STANDARD PERMIT CONDITIONS**

A. **Duty to Comply.** The permittee must comply with all conditions of this permit. Any permit noncompliance constitutes a violation of the Illinois Environmental Protection Act and the CWA and is grounds for enforcement action; for permit termination, revocation and reissuance, or modification; or for denial of a permit renewal application. Failure to obtain coverage under this permit or an individual permit for storm water releases associated with construction activities is a violation of the Illinois Environmental Protection Act and the CWA.

B. **Continuation of the Expired General Permit.** This permit expires five years from the date of issuance. An expired general permit continues in force and effect until a new general permit or an individual permit is issued. Only those construction activities authorized to discharge under the expiring general permit are covered by the continued permit.

C. **Need to halt or reduce activity not a defense.** It shall not be a defense for a permittee in an enforcement action that it would have been necessary to halt or reduce the permitted activity in order to maintain compliance with the conditions of this permit.

D. **Duty to Mitigate.** The permittee shall take all reasonable steps to minimize or prevent any discharge in violation of this permit which has a reasonable likelihood of adversely affecting human health or the environment.
E. Duty to Provide Information. The permittee shall furnish within a reasonable time to the Agency or local agency approving sediment and erosion control plans, grading plans, or storm water management plans; or in the case of a storm water discharge associated with industrial activity which discharges through a municipal separate storm sewer system with an NPDES permit, to the municipal operator of the system, any information which is requested to determine compliance with this permit. Upon request, the permittee shall also furnish to the Agency or local agency approving sediment and erosion control plans, grading plans, or storm water management plans; or in the case of a storm water discharge associated with industrial activity which discharges through a municipal separate storm sewer system with an NPDES permit, to the municipal operator of the system, copies of all records required to be kept by this permit.

F. Other Information. When the permittee becomes aware that he or she failed to submit any relevant facts or submitted incorrect information in the Notice of Intent or in any other report to the Agency, he or she shall promptly submit such facts or information.

G. Signatory Requirements. All Notices of Intent, storm water pollution prevention plans, reports, certifications or information either submitted to the Agency or the operator of a large or medium municipal separate storm sewer system, or that this permit requires be maintained by the permittee, shall be signed.

1. All Notices of Intent shall be signed as follows:
   a. For a corporation: by a responsible corporate officer. For the purpose of this section, a responsible corporate officer means: (1) a president, secretary, treasurer, or vice-president of the corporation in charge of a principal business function, or any other person who performs similar policy decision-making functions for the corporation; or (2) any person authorized to sign documents that has been assigned or delegated said authority in accordance with corporate procedures;
   b. For a partnership or sole proprietorship: by a general partner or the proprietor, respectively; or
   c. For a municipality, State, Federal, or other public agency: by either a principal executive officer or ranking elected official. For purposes of this section, a principal executive officer of a Federal agency includes (1) the chief executive officer of the agency, or (2) a senior executive officer having responsibility for the overall operations of a principal geographic unit of the agency.

2. All reports required by the permit and other information requested by the Agency shall be signed by a person described above or by a duly authorized representative of that person. A person is a duly authorized representative only if:
   a. The authorization is made in writing by a person described above and submitted to the Agency.
   b. The authorization specifies either an individual or a position having responsibility for the overall operation of the regulated facility or activity, such as the responsible manager, operator, superintendent, or position of equivalent responsibility or an individual or position having overall responsibility for environmental matters for the company. A duly authorized representative may be either a named individual or any individual occupying a named position.
   c. Changes to Authorization. If an authorization under Part I.C (Authorization) is no longer accurate because a different individual or position has responsibility for the overall operation of the construction site, a new authorization satisfying the requirements of Part I.C must be submitted to the Agency prior to or together with any reports, information, or applications to be signed by an authorized representative.
   d. Certification. Any person signing documents under this Part shall make the following certification:

   "I certify under penalty of law that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision in accordance with a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gathered and evaluated the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system, or those persons directly responsible for gathering the information, the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations."

H. Penalties for Falsification of Reports. Section 309(c)(4) of the Clean Water Act provides that any person who knowingly makes any false material statement, representation, or certification in any record or other document submitted or required to be maintained under this permit, including reports of compliance or noncompliance shall, upon conviction, be punished by a fine not more than $10,000, or by imprisonment for not more than 2 years, or by both. Section 44(j)(4) and (5) of the Environmental Protection Act provides that any person who knowingly makes any false statement, representation, or certification in an application form, or form pertaining to a NPDES permit commits a Class A misdemeanor, and in addition to any other penalties provided by law is subject to a fine not to exceed $10,000 for each day of violation.

I. Penalties for Falsification of Monitoring Systems. The CWA provides that any person who falsifies, tampers with, or knowingly renders inaccurate any monitoring device or method required to be maintained under this permit shall, upon conviction, be punished by fines and imprisonment described in Section 309 of the CWA. The Environmental Protection Act provides that any person who knowingly renders inaccurate any monitoring device or record required in connection with any NPDES permit or with any discharge which is subject to the provisions of subsection (f) of Section 12 of the Act commits a Class A misdemeanor, and in addition to any other penalties provided by law is subject to a fine not to exceed $10,000 for each day of violation.

J. Oil and Hazardous Substance Liability. Nothing in this permit shall be construed to preclude the institution of any legal action or relieve the permittee from any responsibilities, liabilities, or penalties to which the permittee is or may be subject under section 311 of the CWA.

K. Property Rights. The issuance of this permit does not convey any property rights of any sort, nor any exclusive privileges, nor does it authorize any injury to private property nor any invasion of personal rights, nor any infringement of Federal, State or local laws or regulations.

L. Severability. The provisions of this permit are severable, and if any provision of this permit, or the application of any provision of this permit to any circumstance, is held invalid, the application of such provision to other circumstances, and the remainder of this permit shall not be affected thereby.

M. Transfers. This permit is not transferable to any person except after notice to the Agency. The Agency may require the discharger to apply for and obtain an individual NPDES permit as stated in Part I.C (Authorization).

N. Requiring an Individual Permit or an Alternative General Permit.
1. The Agency may require any person authorized by this permit to apply for and/or obtain either an individual NPDES permit or an alternative NPDES general permit. Any interested person may petition the Agency to take action under this paragraph. Where the Agency requires a discharger authorized to discharge under this permit to apply for an individual NPDES permit, the Agency shall notify the discharger in writing that a permit application is required. This notification shall include a brief statement of the reasons for this decision, an application form, a statement setting a deadline for the discharger to file the application, and a statement that on the effective date of the individual NPDES permit or the alternative general permit as it applies to the individual permittee, coverage under this general permit shall automatically terminate. Applications shall be submitted to the Agency indicated in Part II.D (Where to Submit) of this permit. The Agency may grant additional time to submit the application on request of the applicant. If a discharger fails to submit in a timely manner an individual NPDES permit application as required by the Agency under this paragraph, then the applicability of this permit to the individual NPDES permittee is automatically terminated at the end of the day specified by the Agency for application submittal. The Agency may require an individual NPDES permit based on:

   a. information received which indicates the receiving water may be of particular biological significance pursuant to 35 Ill. Adm. Code 302.105(d)(6);
   
   b. whether the receiving waters are impaired waters for suspended solids, turbidity or siltation as identified by the Agency’s 303(d) listing;
   
   c. size of construction site, proximity of site to the receiving stream, etc.

   The Agency may also require monitoring of any storm water discharge from any site to determine whether an individual permit is required.

2. Any discharger authorized by this permit may request to be excluded from the coverage of this permit by applying for an individual permit. In such cases, the permittee shall submit an individual application in accordance with the requirements of 40 CFR 122.26(c)(1)(ii), with reasons supporting the request, to the Agency at the address indicated in Part II.D (Where to Submit) of this permit. The request may be granted by issuance of any individual permit or an alternative general permit if the reasons cited by the permittee are adequate to support the request.

3. When an individual NPDES permit is issued to a discharger otherwise subject to this permit, or the discharger is authorized to discharge under an alternative NPDES general permit, the applicability of this permit to the individual NPDES permittee is automatically terminated on the effective date of the individual permit or the date of authorization of coverage under the alternative general permit, whichever case may be. When an individual NPDES permit is denied to a discharger otherwise subject to this permit or the discharger is denied for coverage under an alternative NPDES general permit, the applicability of this permit to the individual NPDES permittee remains in effect, unless otherwise specified by the Agency.

O. State/Environmental Laws. No condition of this permit shall release the permittee from any responsibility or requirements under other environmental statutes or regulations.

P. Proper Operation and Maintenance. The permittee shall at all times properly operate and maintain all construction activities and systems of treatment and control (and related appurtenances) which are installed or used by the permittee to achieve compliance with the conditions of this permit and with the requirements of storm water pollution prevention plans. Proper operation and maintenance also includes adequate laboratory controls and appropriate quality assurance procedures. Proper operation and maintenance requires the operation of backup or auxiliary facilities or similar systems, installed by a permittee only when necessary to achieve compliance with the conditions of the permit.

Q. Inspection and Entry. The permittee shall allow the IEPA, or an authorized representative upon presentation of credentials and other documents as may be required by law, to:

   1. Enter upon the permittee's premises where a regulated construction activity is located or conducted, or where records must be kept under the conditions of this permit;
   
   2. Have access to and copy at reasonable times, any records that must be kept under the conditions of this permit;
   
   3. Inspect at reasonable times any facilities, equipment (including monitoring and control equipment), practices, or operations regulated or required under this permit; and
   
   4. Sample or monitor at reasonable times, for the purposes of assuring permit compliance or as otherwise authorized by the Clean Water Act, any substances or parameters at any location.

R. Permit Actions. This permit may be modified, revoked and reissued, or terminated for cause. The filing of a request by the permittee for a permit modification, revocation and reissuance, or termination, or a notification of planned changes or anticipated noncompliance does not stay any permit condition.

S. Bypasses and Upsets. The provisions of 40 CFR Section 122.41(m) & (n) are applicable and are hereby incorporated by reference.

Part VII. REOPENER CLAUSE

A. If there is evidence indicating potential or realized impacts on water quality due to any storm water discharge associated with industrial activity covered by this permit, the discharger may be required to obtain an individual permit or an alternative general permit in accordance with Part I.C (Authorization) of this permit or the permit may be modified to include different limitations and/or requirements.

B. Permit modification or revocation will be conducted according to provisions of 35 Ill. Adm. Code, Subtitle C, Chapter I and the provisions of 40 CFR 122.62, 122.63, 122.64 and 124.5 and any other applicable public participation procedures.

C. The Agency will reopen and modify this permit under the following circumstances:

   1. the U.S. EPA amends its regulations concerning public participation;
   
   2. a court of competent jurisdiction binding in the State of Illinois or the 7th Circuit Court of Appeals issues an order necessitating a modification of public participation for general permits; or
   
   3. to incorporate federally required modifications to the substantive requirements of this permit.
Part VIII. DEFINITIONS

"Agency" means the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency.

"Best Management Practices" (BMPs) means schedules of activities, prohibitions of practices, maintenance procedures, and other management practices to prevent or reduce the pollution of waters of the United States. BMPs also include treatment requirements, operating procedures, and practices to control construction site runoff, spillage or leaks, sludge or waste disposal, or drainage from raw material storage.

"Commencement of Construction or Demolition Activities" The initial disturbance of soils associated with clearing, grading, or excavating activities or other construction or demolition activities.

"Construction Activities" Earth disturbing activities, such as clearing, grading and excavation of land. For purposes of this permit, construction activities also means construction site, construction site activities, or site. Construction activities also include any demolition activities at a site.


"Dedicated portable asphalt plant" A portable asphalt plant that is located on or contiguous to a construction site and that provides asphalt only to the construction site that the plant is located on or adjacent to. The term dedicated portable asphalt plant does not include facilities that are subject to the asphalt emulsion effluent limitation guideline at 40 CFR 443.

"Dedicated portable concrete plant" A portable concrete plant that is located on or contiguous to a construction site and that provides concrete only to the construction site that the plant is located on or adjacent to.

"Dedicated sand or gravel operation" An operation that produces sand and/or gravel for a single construction project.

"Director" means the Director of the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency or an authorized representative.

"Final Stabilization" means that all soil disturbing activities at the site have been completed, and either of the two following conditions are met:

(i) A uniform (e.g., evenly distributed, without large bare areas) perennial vegetative cover with a density of 70 percent of the native background vegetative cover for the area has been established on all unpaved areas and areas not covered by permanent structures, or

(ii) Equivalent permanent stabilization measures (such as the use of riprap, gabions, or geotextiles) have been employed.

For individual lots in residential construction, final stabilization means that either:

(i) The homebuilder has completed final stabilization as specified above, or

(ii) The homebuilder has established temporary stabilization including perimeter controls for an individual lot prior to occupation by the homeowner and informing the homeowner of the need for, and benefits of, final stabilization.

"Large and Medium municipal separate storm sewer system" means all municipal separate storm sewers that are either:

(i) Located in an incorporated place (city) with a population of 100,000 or more as determined by the latest Decennial Census by the Bureau of Census (these cities are listed in Appendices F and G of 40 CFR Part 122); or

(ii) Located in the counties with unincorporated urbanized populations of 100,000 or more, except municipal separate storm sewers that are located in the incorporated places, townships or towns within such counties (these counties are listed in Appendices H and I of 40 CFR Part 122); or

(iii) Owned or operated by a municipality other than those described in paragraph (i) or (ii) and that are designated by the Director as part of the large or medium municipal separate storm sewer system.

"NOI" means notice of intent to be covered by this permit (see Part II of this permit.)

"Point Source" means any discernible, confined, and discrete conveyance, including but not limited to, any pipe, ditch, channel, tunnel, conduit, well, discrete fissure, container, rolling stock, concentrated animal feeding operation, landfill leachate collection system, vessel or other floating craft from which pollutants are or may be discharges. This term does not include return flows from irrigated agriculture or agricultural storm water runoff.

"Runoff coefficient" means the fraction of total rainfall that will appear at the conveyance as runoff.

"Storm Water" means storm water runoff, snow melt runoff, and surface runoff and drainage.

"Storm Water Associated with Industrial Activity" means the discharge from any conveyance which is used for collecting and conveying storm water and which is directly related to manufacturing, processing or raw materials storage areas at an industrial plant. The term does not include discharges from facilities or activities excluded from the NPDES program. For the categories of industries identified in subparagraphs (i) through (x) of this subsection, the term includes, but is not limited to, storm water discharges from industrial plant yards; immediate access roads and rail lines used or traveled by carriers of raw materials, manufactured products, waste material, or by-products used or created by the facility; material handling sites; refuse sites; sites used for the application or disposal of process waste waters (as defined at 40 CFR 401); sites used for the storage and maintenance of material handling equipment; sites used for residual treatment, storage, or disposal; shipping and receiving areas; manufacturing buildings; storage areas (including tank farms) for raw materials and intermediate and finished products; and areas where industrial activity has taken place in the past and significant materials remain and are exposed to storm water. For the categories of industries identified in subparagraph (x), the term includes only storm water discharges from all areas listed in the previous
sentence (except access roads) where material handling equipment or activities, raw materials, intermediate products, final products, waste materials, by-products, or industrial machinery are exposed to storm water. For the purposes of this paragraph, material handling activities include the storage, loading and unloading, transportation, or conveyance of any raw material, intermediate product, finished product, by-product or waste product. The term excludes areas located on plant lands separate from the plant's industrial activities, such as office buildings and accompanying parking lots as long as the drainage from the excluded areas is not mixed with storm water drained from the above described areas. Industrial facilities (including industrial facilities that are Federally or municipally owned or operated that meet the description of the facilities listed in this paragraph (i)-(x)) include those facilities designated under 40 CFR 122.26(a)(1)(v). The following categories of facilities are considered to be engaging in "industrial activity" for purposes of this subsection:

(i) Facilities subject to storm water effluent limitations guidelines, new source performance standards, or toxic pollutant effluent standards under 40 CFR Subchapter N (except facilities with toxic pollutant effluent standards which are exempted under category (x) of this paragraph);

(ii) Facilities classified as Standard Industrial Classifications 24 (except 2434), 26 (except 265 and 267), 28, 29, 311, 32, 33, 3441, 373;

(iii) Facilities classified as Standard Industrial Classifications 10 through 14 (mineral industry) including active or inactive mining operations (except for areas of coal mining operations meeting the definition of a reclamation area under 40 CFR 434.11) and oil and gas exploration, production, processing, or treatment operations, or transmission facilities that discharge storm water contaminated by contact with or that has come into contact with, any overburden, raw material, intermediate products, finished products, byproducts or waste products located on the site of such operations; inactive mining operations are mining sites that are not being actively mined, but which have an identifiable owner/operator;

(iv) Hazardous waste treatment, storage, or disposal facilities, including those that are operating under interim status or a permit under Subtitle C of RCRA;

(v) Landfills, land application sites, and open dumps that have received any industrial wastes (waste that is received from any of the facilities described under this subsection) including those that are subject to regulation under Subtitle D of RCRA;

(vi) Facilities involved in the recycling of materials, including metal scrapyards, battery reclaimers, salvage yards, and automobile junkyards, including but limited to those classified as Standard Industrial Classification 5015 and 5093;

(vii) Steam electric power generating facilities, including coal handling sites;

(viii) Transportation facilities classified as Standard Industrial Classifications 40, 41, 42, 44, and 45 which have vehicle maintenance shops, equipment cleaning operations, or airport deicing operations. Only those portions of the facility that are either involved in vehicle maintenance (including vehicle rehabilitation, mechanical repairs, painting, fueling, and lubrication), equipment cleaning operations, airport deicing operations, or which are otherwise identified under subparagraphs (i)-(vii) of (ix)-(xi) of this subsection are associated with industrial activity;

(ix) Treatment works treating domestic sewage or any other sewage sludge or wastewater treatment device or system, used in the storage treatment, recycling, and reclamation of municipal or domestic sewage, including land dedicated to the disposal of sewage sludge that are located within the confines of the facility, with a design flow of 1.0 mgd or more, or required to have an approved pretreatment program under 40 CFR 403. Not included are farm lands, domestic gardens or lands used for sludge management where sludge is beneficially reused and which are not physically located in the confines of the facility, or areas that are in compliance with 40 CFR 503;

(x) Construction activity including clearing, grading and excavation activities except: operations that result in the disturbance of less than one acre of total land which are not part of a larger common plan of development or sale unless otherwise designated by the Agency pursuant to Part I.B.1.

(xi) Facilities under Standard Industrial Classifications 20, 21, 22, 23, 2434, 25, 265, 267, 27, 283, 31 (except 311), 34 (except 3441), 35, 36, 37 (except 373), 38, 39, 4221-25, (and which are not otherwise included within categories (i)-(xi)).

"Waters" mean all accumulations of water, surface and underground, natural, and artificial, public and private, or parts thereof, which are wholly or partially within, flow through, or border upon the State of Illinois, except that sewers and treatment works are not included except as specially mentioned; provided, that nothing herein contained shall authorize the use of natural or otherwise protected waters as sewers or treatment works except that in-stream aeration under Agency permit is allowable.

"Work day" for the purpose of this permit, a work day is any calendar day on which construction activities will take place.
This fillable form may be completed online, a copy saved locally, printed and signed before it is submitted to the Compliance Assurance Section at the above address. You may email this completed form to:

epa.swnoncomp@illinois.gov

Permittee Information:
Name: ____________________________________________
Street Address: ____________________________________________
City: __________________________ State: IL Zip Code: __________ County: __________
P.O. Box: __________
Phone: __________________ Email: ____________________________

Construction Site Information:
Site Name: ____________________________________________
Street Address: ____________________________________________
City: __________________________ State: IL Zip Code: __________

Latitude: ____________________ ____________________ ____________________
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Longitude: ____________________ ____________________ ____________________
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Cause of Non-Compliance
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Actions Taken to Prevent Any Further Non-Compliance
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Environmental Impact Resulting From the Non-Compliance
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Any person who knowingly makes a false, fictitious, or fraudulent material statement, orally or in writing, to the Illinois EPA commits a Class 4 felony. A second or subsequent offense after conviction is a Class 3 felony. (415 ILCS 5/44(h))

____________________________________________________
Owner Signature: _______________________________ Date: _______________________________

____________________________________________________
Printed Name: _______________________________ Title: _______________________________
GUIDELINES FOR COMPLETION OF INCIDENCE OF NON-COMPLIANCE (ION) FORM

Complete and submit this form for any violation of the Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan observed during any inspection conducted, including those not required by the SWPPP. Please adhere to the following guidelines:

Initial submission within 24 hours by email, telephone or fax (see region fax numbers) of any incidence of non-compliance for any violation. Submit email copy to: epa.swnoncomp@illinois.gov. After 24 hours notification, submit signed original ION within 5 days to the following address:

Illinois Environmental Protection Agency
Division of Water Pollution Control
Compliance Assurance #19
Post Office Box 19276
Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276

FIELD OPERATIONS HEADQUARTERS
Bruce Yurdin, Manager
Phone: 217/782-3362 Fax: 217/785-1225
EMAIL: epa.swnoncomp@illinois.gov

Region 1 - ROCKFORD
Chuck Corley, Manager
Phone: 815/987-7760 Fax: 815/987-7005

Region 2 - DESPLAINES
Jay Patel, Manager
Phone: 847/294-4000 Fax: 847/294-4058

Region 3 - PEORIA
Jim Kammuelle, Manager
Phone: 309/693-5463 Fax: 309/693-5467

Region 4 - CHAMPAIGN
Joe Koronkowski, Manager
Phone: 217/278-5800 Fax: 217/278-5808

Region 5 - SPRINGFIELD
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Region 6 - COLLINSVILLE
Bruce Yurdin, FOS Manager
Phone: 217/782-3362 Fax: 217/785-1225

Region 7 - MARION
Byron Marks, Manager
Phone: 618/993-7200 Fax: 618/997-5467
Division of Water Pollution Control
Notice of Intent (NOI) for General Permit
to Discharge Storm Water Associated with Construction Site Activities

This fillable form may be completed online, a copy saved locally, printed and signed before it is submitted to the Permit Section at the above address.

For Office Use Only

OWNER INFORMATION

Company/Owner Name: ____________________________

Mailing Address: ____________________________________ Phone: ____________________________

City: __________________ State: ___ Zip: ____________ Fax: ____________________________

Contact Person: ____________________________ E-mail: ____________________________

Owner Type (select one) ____________________________

CONTRACTOR INFORMATION

Contractor Name: ____________________________

Mailing Address: ____________________________________ Phone: ____________________________

City: __________________ State: ___ Zip: ____________ Fax: ____________________________

CONSTRUCTION SITE INFORMATION

Select One: ☐ New ☐ Change of information for: ILR10 ________

Project Name: ____________________________

County: __________________

Street Address: ____________________________ City: ____________ IL Zip: ____________

Latitude: _______ _______ _______ Longitude: _______ _______ _______ (Deg) (Min) (Sec)

(Deg) (Min) (Sec) Section Township Range

Approximate Construction Start Date ____________ Approximate Construction End Date ____________

Total size of construction site in acres: ____________

If less than 1 acre, is the site part of a larger common plan of development? ☐ Yes ☐ No

STORM WATER POLLUTION PREVENTION PLAN (SWPPP)

Has the SWPPP been submitted to the Agency? ☐ Yes ☐ No

(Submit SWPPP electronically to: epa.constrl10@swppp@illinois.gov)

Location of SWPPP for viewing: Address: ____________________________

City: __________________ Inspector qualifications:

SWPPP contact information:

Contact Name: ____________________________

Phone: ____________________________ Fax: ____________________________ E-mail: ____________________________

Project inspector, if different from above

Inspector’s Name: ____________________________

Phone: ____________________________ Fax: ____________________________ E-mail: ____________________________

This Agency is authorized to require this information under Section 4 and Title X of the Environmental Protection Act (415 ILCS 5/4, 5/39). Failure to disclose this information may result in a civil penalty of not to exceed $50,000 for the violation and an additional civil penalty of not to exceed $5,000 for each day during which the violation continues (415 ILCS 5/42) and may also prevent this form from being processed and could result in your application being denied. This form has been approved by the Forms Management Center.
TYPE OF CONSTRUCTION  (select one)
Construction Type ______________________

SIC Code: ____________________________

Type a detailed description of the project:

HISTORIC PRESERVATION AND ENDANGERED SPECIES COMPLIANCE
Has the project been submitted to the following state agencies to satisfy applicable requirements for compliance with Illinois law on:

   Historic Preservation Agency  ○ Yes  ○ No
   Endangered Species            ○ Yes  ○ No

RECEIVING WATER INFORMATION
Does your storm water discharge directly to:  □ Waters of the State  or  □ Storm Sewer

Owner of storm sewer system: _______________________________________________________

Name of closest receiving water body to which you discharge: ____________________________

Mail completed form to: Illinois Environmental Protection Agency
Division of Water Pollution Control
Attn:  Permit Section
Post Office Box 19276
Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276
or call (217) 782-0610
FAX:  (217) 782-9891

Or submit electronically to: epa.constrlr10swppp@illinois.gov

I certify under penalty of law that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction and supervision in accordance with a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gather and evaluate the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who manage this system, or those persons directly responsible for gathering the information, the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment. In addition, I certify that the provisions of the permit, including the development and implementation of a storm water pollution prevention plan and a monitoring program plan, will be complied with.

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_________________________________________  ___________________________________________
Owner Signature:                                            Date:

_________________________________________  ___________________________________________
Printed Name:                                               Title:
INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETION OF CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY NOTICE OF INTENT (NOI) FORM

Submit original, electronic or facsimile copies. Facsimile and/or electronic copies should be followed-up with submission of an original signature copy as soon as possible. Please write "copy" under the "For Office Use Only" box in the upper right hand corner of the first page.

*This fillable form may be completed online, a copy saved locally, printed and signed before it is submitted to the Permit Section at:*

Illinois Environmental Protection Agency  
Division of Water Pollution Control  
Permit Section  
Post Office Box 19276  
Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276  
or call (217) 782-0610  
FAX: (217) 782-9891

Or submit electronically to: [epa.constlrr10swppp@illinois.gov](mailto:epa.constlrr10swppp@illinois.gov)

Reports must be typed or printed legibly and signed.

Any facility that is not presently covered by the General NPDES Permit for Storm Water Discharges From Construction Site Activities is considered a new facility.

If this is a change in your facility information, renewal, etc., please fill in your permit number on the appropriate line, changes of information or permit renewal notifications do not require a fee.

**NOTE: FACILITY LOCATION IS NOT NECESSARILY THE FACILITY MAILING ADDRESS, BUT SHOULD DESCRIBE WHERE THE FACILITY IS LOCATED.**

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For the Name of Closest Receiving Waters, do not use terms such as ditch or channel. For unnamed tributaries, use terms which include at least a named main tributary such as "Unnamed Tributary to Sugar Creek to Sangamon River."

Submission of initial fee and an electronic submission of Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) for Initial Permit prior to the Notice of Intent being considered complete for coverage by the ILR10 General Permits. Please make checks payable to: Illinois EPA at the above address.

Construction sites with less than 5 acres of land disturbance - fee is $250.

Construction sites with 5 or more acres of land disturbance - fee is $750.

SWPPP should be submitted electronically to: [epa.constlrr10swppp@illinois.gov](mailto:epa.constlrr10swppp@illinois.gov). When submitting electronically, use Project Name and City as indicated on NOI form.
Division of Water Pollution Control
NOTICE OF TERMINATION (NOT) of Coverage under the General Permit for Storm Water Discharges Associated with Construction Site Activities

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OWNER INFORMATION

Owner Name: ____________________________________________
Owner Type (select one) ________________________________

Mailing Address: ________________________________________ Phone: __________________________
City: ____________________________ State: ___ Zip: _____________ Fax: _______________________

Contact Person: _________________________________ E-mail: _______________________________

CONTRACTOR INFORMATION

Contractor Name: _______________________________________

Mailing Address: ________________________________________ Phone: __________________________
City: ____________________________ State: ___ Zip: _____________ Fax: _______________________

CONSTRUCTION SITE INFORMATION

Facility Name: __________________________________________

Street Address: _________________________________________
City: ____________________________ IL Zip: _____________ County: ________________

NPDES Storm Water General Permit Number: ILR10 ____________

Latitude: _______ _______ _______ Longitude: _______ _______ _______ (Deg) (Min) (Sec) (Deg) (Min) (Sec)

DATE PROJECT HAS BEEN COMPLETED AND STABILIZED: __________________________

NOTE: Coverage under this permit cannot be terminated without the completion date.

I certify under penalty of law that disturbed soils at the identified facility have been finally stabilized or that all storm water discharges associated with industrial activity from the identified facility that are authorized by an NPDES general permit have otherwise been eliminated. I understand that by submitting this notice of termination, that I am no longer authorized to discharge storm water associated with industrial activity by the general permit, and that discharging pollutants in storm water associated with industrial activity to Waters of the State is unlawful under the Environmental Protection Act and the Clean Water Act where the discharge is not authorized by an NPDES Permit.

Any person who knowingly makes a false, fictitious, or fraudulent material statement, orally or in writing, to the Illinois EPA commits a Class 4 felony. A second or subsequent offense after conviction is a Class 3 felony. (415 ILCS 5/44(h))

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Owner Signature:

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Date:

Mail completed form to: Illinois Environmental Protection Agency
Division of Water Pollution Control, Attn: Permit Section
1021 North Grand Avenue East
P.O. Box 19276
Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276

(Do not submit additional documentation unless requested)
GUIDELINES FOR COMPLETION OF NOTICE OF TERMINATION (NOT) FORM

Please adhere to the following guidelines:

Submit original, electronic or facsimile copies. Facsimile and/or electronic copies should be followed-up with submission of an original signature copy as soon as possible.

Submit completed forms to:

Illinois Environmental Protection Agency
Division of Water Pollution Control, Attn: Permit Section
1021 North Grand Avenue East
P.O. Box 19276
Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276
or call (217) 782-0610
FAX: (217) 782-9891

Or submit electronically to: epa.consti10swppp@illinois.gov

Reports must be typed or printed legibly and signed.

NOTE: FACILITY LOCATION IS NOT NECESSARILY THE FACILITY MAILING ADDRESS, BUT SHOULD DESCRIBE WHERE THE FACILITY IS LOCATED.

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Final stabilization has occurred when:

(a) all soil disturbing activities at the site have been completed;

(b) a uniform perennial vegetative cover with a density of 70% of the native background vegetative cover for the area has been established on all unpaved areas not covered by permanent structures; or

(c) equivalent permanent stabilization measures have been employed.
APPENDIX 2

EPA’s Stormwater Phase II Final Rule, Small Construction Program Overview
Stormwater Phase II Final Rule

Small Construction Program Overview

The 1972 amendments to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, later referred to as the Clean Water Act (CWA), prohibit the discharge of any pollutant to navigable waters of the United States from a point source unless the discharge is authorized by a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit. Efforts to improve water quality under the NPDES program traditionally have focused on reducing pollutants in industrial process wastewater and municipal sewage treatment plant discharges. Over time, it has become evident that more diffuse sources of water pollution, such as stormwater runoff from construction sites, are also significant contributors to water quality problems.

Sediment runoff rates from construction sites are typically 10 to 20 times greater than those from agricultural lands, and 1,000 to 2,000 times greater than those of forest lands. During a short period of time, construction activity can contribute more sediment to streams than can be deposited over several decades, causing physical and biological harm to our Nation’s waters.

In 1990, EPA promulgated rules establishing Phase I of the NPDES stormwater program. Phase I addresses, among other discharges, discharges from large construction activities disturbing 5 acres or more of land. Phase II of the NPDES stormwater program covers small construction activities disturbing between 1 and 5 acres. Phase II became final on December 8, 1999 and small construction permit applications were due by March 10, 2003 (specific compliance dates will be set by the NPDES permitting authority in each State). This fact sheet outlines the construction activities covered by Phase I and Phase II, including possible waiver options from Phase II coverage, and the Phase II construction program requirements.

Who Is Covered Under the Phase I Rule?

Sites Five Acres and Greater
The Phase I NPDES stormwater rule identifies eleven categories of industrial activity in the definition of “stormwater discharges associated with industrial activity” that must obtain an NPDES permit. Category (x) of this definition is construction activity, commonly referred to as “large” construction activity. Under category (x), the Phase I rule requires all operators of construction activity disturbing 5 acres or greater to apply for an NPDES stormwater permit. Operators of sites disturbing less than 5 acres are also required to obtain a permit if their activity is part of a “larger common plan of development or sale” with a planned disturbance of 5 acres or greater. “Disturbance” refers to exposed soil resulting from activities such as clearing, grading, and excavating. Construction activities can include road building, construction of residential houses, office buildings, industrial sites, or demolition.

What Is Meant by a “Larger Common Plan of Development or Sale”?
As defined in EPA’s NPDES stormwater general permit for construction activity, a “larger common plan of development or sale” means a contiguous area where multiple separate and distinct construction activities are occurring under one plan (e.g., the operator is building on three half-acre lots in a 6-acre development). The “plan” in a common plan of development or sale is broadly defined as any announcement or piece of documentation...
What Is the Definition of an “Operator” of a Construction Site?

As defined in EPA’s stormwater general permit for construction activity, an “operator” is the party or parties that has:

- Operational control of construction project plans and specifications, including the ability to make modifications to those plans and specifications; or

- Day-to-day operational control of those activities that are necessary to ensure compliance with a stormwater pollution prevention plan (SWPPP) for the site or other permit conditions (e.g., they are authorized to direct workers at a site to carry out activities required by the SWPPP or comply with other permit conditions).

There may be more than one party at a site performing the tasks related to “operational control” as defined above. Depending on the site and the relationship between the parties (e.g., owner, developer, contractor), there can either be a single party acting as site operator and consequently be responsible for obtaining permit coverage, or there can be two or more operators, all obligated to seek permit coverage. It is important to note that NPDES-authorized States may use a different definition of “operator” than the one above.

How Is the Phase II Construction Rule Related to the Phase I Construction Rule?

In 1992, the Ninth Circuit court remanded for further proceedings portions of EPA’s existing Phase I stormwater regulation related to the category (x) discharges from large construction activity (NRDC v. EPA, 966 F.2d at 1292). EPA responded to the court’s decision by designating under Phase II stormwater discharges from construction activity disturbing less than 5 acres as sources that should be regulated to protect water quality. The Phase II Rule designates these sources as “stormwater discharges associated with small construction activity,” rather than as another category under “stormwater associated with industrial activity.”

Who Is Covered Under the Phase II Construction Rule?

Sites Between One and Five Acres
The Stormwater Phase II Rule automatically designates, as small construction activity under the NPDES stormwater permitting program, all operators of construction site activities that result in a land disturbance of equal to or greater than 1 and less than 5 acres.

Sites Less Than One Acre
Site activities disturbing less than 1 acre are also regulated as small construction activity if they are part of a larger common plan of development or sale with a planned disturbance of equal to or greater than 1 acre and less than 5 acres, or if they are designated by the NPDES permitting authority. The NPDES permitting authority or EPA Region may designate construction activities disturbing less than 1 acre based on the potential for contribution to a violation of a water quality standard or for significant contribution of pollutants to waters of the United States.

Are Waivers Available for Operators of Regulated Construction Activity?

Yes, but only for small, not large, construction activity. Under the Phase II Rule, NPDES permitting authorities have the option of providing a waiver from the requirements to operators of small construction activity who certify to either one of two conditions:

1. Low predicted rainfall potential (i.e., activity occurs during a negligible rainfall period), where the rainfall erosivity factor (“R” in the Revised Universal Soil Loss Equation [RUSLE]) is less than 5 during the period of construction activity (See Fact Sheet 3.1); or

2. A determination that stormwater controls are not necessary based on either:
   (A) A “total maximum daily load” (TMDL) that address the pollutant(s) of concern for construction activities; OR
   (B) An equivalent analysis that determines allocations are not needed to protect water quality based on consideration of instream concentrations, expected growth in pollutant concentrations from all sources, and a margin of safety.
Pollutants of concern include sediment or a parameter that addresses sediment (such as total suspended solids, turbidity, or siltation) and any other pollutant that has been identified as a cause of impairment of a receiving waterbody.

The intent of the waiver provision is to waive only those sites that are highly unlikely to have a negative effect on water quality. Therefore, before applying for a waiver, operators of small construction activity are encouraged to consider the potential water quality impacts that may result from their project and to carefully examine such factors as proximity to water resources and sensitivity of receiving waters.

a. What is the Rainfall Erosivity Factor in Waiver 1?

Waiver 1 uses the Rainfall Erosivity Factor to determine whether the potential for polluted discharge is low enough to justify a waiver from the requirements. It is one of six variables used by the Revised Universal Soil Loss Equation (RUSLE)—a predictive tool originally used to measure soil loss from agricultural lands at various times of the year on a regional basis—to predict soil loss from construction sites. The Rainfall Erosivity Factor waiver is time-sensitive and is dependent on when during the year a construction activity takes place, how long it lasts, and the expected rainfall and intensity during that time. For information about the rainfall erosivity waiver, see Fact Sheet 3.1. An erosivity calculator for construction sites is available at [http://ci.tamu.edu](http://ci.tamu.edu).

b. What is a “TMDL” in Waiver 2?

For impaired waters where technology-based controls required by NPDES permits are not achieving State water quality standards, the CWA requires implementation of the TMDL process. The TMDL process establishes the maximum amount of pollutants a waterbody can assimilate before water quality is impaired, then requires that this maximum level not be exceeded.

A TMDL is done for each pollutant that is found to be contributing to the impairment of a waterbody or a segment of a waterbody. To allow a waiver for construction activities, a TMDL would need to address sediment, or a parameter that addresses sediment such as total suspended solids, turbidity, or siltation. Additional TMDLs addressing common pollutants from construction sites such as nitrogen, phosphorus, and oil and grease may also be necessary to ensure water quality protection and allow a waiver from the NPDES stormwater program.

A TMDL assessment determines the source or sources of a pollutant of concern, considers the maximum allowable level of that pollutant for the waterbody, then allocates to each source or category of sources a set level of the pollutant that it is allowed to discharge into the waterbody. Allocations to point sources are called wastewater allocations.

How Would an Operator Qualify for, and Certify to, Waiver 2?

EPA expects that when TMDLs or equivalent analyses are completed, there may be a determination that certain classes of sources, such as small construction activity, will not have to control their contribution of pollutants of concern to the waterbody in order for the waterbody to be in attainment with water quality standards (i.e., these sources were not assigned wastewater allocations). In such a case, qualify for waiver 2, the operator of the construction site would need to certify that its construction activity will take place, and the stormwater discharges will occur, within the area covered either by the TMDLs or equivalent analysis, certification form would likely be provided by the NPDES permitting authority for this purpose.

What Does the Phase II Construction Program Require?

The Phase II Final Rule requires operators of Phase II small construction sites, nationally, to obtain an NPDES permit and implement practices to minimize pollutant runoff. It is important to note that, locally, these same sites also may be covered by State, Tribal, or local construction runoff control programs (see Fact Sheets 2.6 and 2.7 for information on the Phase II small MS4's construction program). For the Phase II small construction program, EPA has taken an approach similar to Phase I where the program requirements are not fully defined in the rule but rather in the NPDES permit issued by the NPDES permitting authority.

EPA recommended that the NPDES permitting authorities use their existing Phase I large construction general permits as a guide to developing their Phase II small construction permits. In doing so, the Phase II requirements would be similar to the three general Phase I requirements summarized below:

- Submission of a Notice of Intent (NOI) that includes general information and a certification that the activity will not impact endangered or threatened species. This certification is unique to EPA’s NOI and is not a requirement of most NPDES-delegated State’s NOIs;
- The development and implementation of a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) with appropriate BMPs to minimize the discharge of pollutants from the site; and
Submission of a *Notice of Termination* (NOT) when final stabilization of the site has been achieved as defined in the permit or when another operator has assumed control of the site.

In July 2003, EPA issued a construction general permit that covers both large and small construction activities. This permit, supporting information, and guidance can be found at [http://www.epa.gov/npdes/stormwater/cgp](http://www.epa.gov/npdes/stormwater/cgp).

**Can the Permitting Authority Reference a Qualifying Erosion and Sediment Control Program in NPDES Construction Permits?**

Yes. The Phase II Rule allows the NPDES permitting authority to include in its NPDES permits for large and for small construction activity conditions that incorporate by reference qualifying State, Tribal, or local erosion and sediment control program requirements. A qualifying program must include the following requirements:

- Requirements for construction site operators to implement appropriate erosion and sediment control best management practices;

- Requirements for construction site operators to control waste such as discarded building materials, concrete truck washout, chemicals, litter, and sanitary waste that may cause adverse impacts to water quality;

- Requirements for construction site operators to develop and implement a stormwater pollution prevention plan; and

- Requirements to submit a site plan for review that incorporates consideration of potential water quality impacts.

In addition to the four elements above, a qualifying program for large construction activities must also include any additional requirements necessary to achieve the applicable technology-based standards of “Best Available Technology” (BAT) and “Best Conventional Technology” (BCT) based on the best professional judgment of the permit writer.

Should a State, Tribal, or local program include one or more, but not all, of the elements listed above, the permitting authority can reference the program in the permit, provided it also lists the missing element(s) as a condition in the permit.

**What are Some Recommended BMPs for Small Construction Sites?**

The approach and BMPs used for controlling pollutants in stormwater discharges from small construction sites may vary from those used for large sites since their characteristics can differ in many ways. For example, operators of small sites may have more limited access to qualified design personnel and technical information. Also, small sites may have less space for installing and maintaining certain BMPs.

As is the case with all construction sites, erosion and sediment control at small construction sites is best accomplished with proper planning, installation, and maintenance of controls. The following practices have shown to be efficient, cost effective, and versatile for small construction site operators to implement. The practices are divided into two categories: non-structural and structural.

**Non-Structural BMPs**

- Minimizing Disturbance
- Preserving Natural Vegetation
- Good Housekeeping Practices

**Structural BMPs**

**Erosion Controls**

- Mulch
- Grass
- Stockpile Covers

**Sediment Controls**

- Silt Fence
- Inlet Protection
- Check Dams
- Stabilized Construction Entrances
- Sediment Traps

Most erosion and sediment controls require regular maintenance to operate correctly. Accumulated sediments should be removed frequently and materials should be checked periodically for wear. Regular inspections by qualified personnel, which can allow problem areas to be addressed, should be performed after major rain events.

The BMPs listed above as well as additional erosion and sediment control practices for construction activities are described in detail in the National Menu of BMPs for Stormwater Phase II, which can be found at [http://www.epa.gov/npdes/stormwater](http://www.epa.gov/npdes/stormwater).
For Additional Information

Contacts

A. U.S. EPA Office of Wastewater Management
   http://www.epa.gov/npdes/stormwater
   Phone: 202-564-9545

[Your NPDES Permitting Authority. Most States and Territories are authorized to administer the NPDES Program, except the following, for which EPA is the permitting authority:

   Alaska    Guam
   District of Columbia  Johnston Atoll
   Idaho    Midway and Wake Islands
   Massachusetts    Northern Mariana Islands
   New Hampshire    Puerto Rico
   New Mexico    Trust Territories
   American Samoa

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Reference Documents

EPA’s Stormwater Web Site
   http://www.epa.gov/npdes/stormwater
   - Stormwater Phase II Final Rule Fact Sheet Series
   - Stormwater Phase II Final Rule (64 FR 68722)
   - National Menu of Best Management Practices for Stormwater Phase II
   - Measurable Goals Guidance for Phase II Small MS4s
   - Stormwater Case Studies
   - Construction General Permit and Fact Sheet (68 FR 45817)
   http://www.epa.gov/npdes/stormwater/cgp
   - And many others

Construction Industry Compliance Assistance Center: http://www.cicacenter.org/


APPENDIX 3

Illinois Tollway – Sample Erosion Control Plans
GENERAL NOTES

1.) TEMPORARY EROSION CONTROL DEVICES SHALL BE CONSTRUCTED AS SHOWN ON THE PLANS OR AS DIRECTED BY THE ENGINEER.

2.) THE CONTRACTOR SHALL CONFINE ACTIVITIES TO FALL WITHIN THE PROPOSED RIGHT-OF-WAY AS SHOWN ON THE PLANS.

3.) CONTRACTOR SHALL ESTABLISH POINTS OF INGRESS AND EGRESS FROM EXISTING ROADWAYS. THE WORK SHALL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE DETAIL ENTITLED STABILIZED CONSTRUCTION ENTRANCE.

4.) ALL PERMANENT AND/OR TEMPORARY CHANNEL RELOCATION OR MODIFICATION SHALL BE CONSTRUCTED UNDER DRY CONDITIONS AND STABILIZED PRIOR TO DIVERSION OF FLOW THROUGH THE NEW CHANNEL.

5.) ANY DEVIATION OF THE TEMPORARY EROSION CONTROL PLAN OR SCHEDULE BY THE CONTRACTOR SHALL BE AT THE DISCRETION OF THE ENGINEER.

6.) QUANTITY CALCULATIONS FOR ITEM 62B TEMPORARY RIPRAP ARE BASED ON THE REPLACEMENT OF THE STONE OUTLET STRUCTURES AND ROCK CHECK DAMS ONCE. THESE REPLACEMENTS SHALL OCCUR IN CONJUNCTION WITH ITEM 62B EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL CLEANOUT OR AS DIRECTED BY THE ENGINEER.

7.) THE CONTRACTOR SHALL MAKE NOTE OF THE THREE DRAINAGE DIVIDE SYMBOLS USED IN THE EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL PLAN. THESE SYMBOLS WERE USED TO EVALUATE THE AMOUNT OF DRAINAGE AREA THAT WOULD IMPACT THE PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION PROJECT.

STANDARD SYMBOLS AND TERMINOLOGY:
A. ——— IS USED TO IDENTIFY A UNIT OF LAND FROM WHICH THE SURFACE, SUBSURFACE, AND GROUND WATER RUNOFF DRAIN TO A COMMON OUTLET.
B. ——— IS USED TO SUBDIVIDE MAJOR WATERSHEDS IN ORDER TO CONCENTRATE SURFACE, SUBSURFACE, AND GROUND WATER RUNOFF TO A PARTICULAR CULVERT CROSSING.
C. ++—— IS USED FOR CALCULATING DRAINAGE AREAS IN ORDER TO MAXIMIZE THE SIZE OF THE TEMPORARY SEDIMENT TRAPS AND TO MINIMIZE THE NUMBER OF LOCATIONS.

8.) ALL PERMANENT DRAINMS SHALL BE CONSTRUCTED TO THE LINES AND GRADES AS SHOWN ON THE PLANS AND CROSS-SECTIONS FOR 143rd ST. PRIOR TO ANY GRADING OF DITCHES NEAR WETLANDS #23, 24, AND 25.

9.) THE CONTRACTOR SHALL INSTALL ALL TEMPORARY PERIMETER CONTROLS PRIOR TO ANY GRADING OPERATION. THIS INCLUDES, BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO DIVERSION DYES, TEMPORARY SLEVES, SILT FENCES, AND SUPER SILT FENCES. LOCATIONS AND TREATMENTS OF EROSION CONTROL MEASURES ARE SHOWN ON THE PLANS SHEETS.

10.) TEMPORARY SLOPE DRAINS SHALL BE USED AT THE TOP OF FILL SLOPES AS EMBANKMENT IS CONSTRUCTED TO PREVENT EXCESSIVE EROSION. THE TEMPORARY SLOPE DRAIN WILL REMAIN IN PLACE UNTIL SHOULDERS ARE CONSTRUCTED AND THE SLOPES ARE SEEDED AND MULCHED.

11.) INCREMENTAL SEGMENTS OF TEMPORARY PIPE SLOPE DRAINS SHALL NOT BE MEASURED FOR PAYMENT MORE THAN ONCE.

12.) STABILIZED CONSTRUCTION ENTRANCES SHALL BE CONSTRUCTED AND MAINTAINED DURING THE LENGTH OF THE CONSTRUCTION SEASON. ADDITIONAL MAINTENANCE BEYOND INITIAL CONSTRUCTION SHALL BE PAID FOR BY THE TOW UNDER ITEM 302A AGGREGATE BASE COURSE.

13.) ALL SEDIMENT TRAPS, SILT FENCES, AND SUPER SILT FENCES SHALL BE CLEANED OUT OF ALL SEDIMENT ACCUMULATION BEFORE THE WINTER SHUT DOWN DATES.

14.) THE CONTRACTOR CAN WORK WITHIN ANY WORK ZONE AREAS PROPOSED ON THE "CLEANING WORK ZONE" SCHEDULE TO BEST FACILITATE CONSTRUCTION. EACH AREA MUST BE CLEANED AND EROSION CONTROL ITEMS MUST BE CONSTRUCTED, STABILIZED, AND APPROVED BY THE ENGINEER PRIOR TO STARTING ANOTHER WORK ZONE.

15.) THE CONTRACTOR SHALL REFER TO 2003 SUPPLEMENTAL SPECIFICATION FOR CURRENT PENALTIES FOR NON-COMPLIANCE.

16.) THE CONTRACTOR SHALL STABILIZE AND USE PERMANENT DITCHES AND CROSS CULVERTS IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE EROSION CONTROL MEASURES TO CONTROL SEDIMENT LAKE WATER AS WELL AS OPTIMIZE RUNOFF WATER FOR 143rd ST. AND ARCHER AVE.- WHERE THE PROPOSED DITCHES AND PROPOSED CROSS CULVERTS DO NOT APPLY, THE CONTRACTOR SHALL CONSTRUCT TEMPORARY DITCHES AND TEMPORARY CULVERTS TO MAINTAIN POSITIVE DRAINAGE. FOR ALL CASES, EROSION CONTROL MEASURES WILL STILL BE CONSTRUCTED PER PLAN OR AS DIRECTED BY THE ENGINEER.

17.) MINIMUM DRAINAGE BASIN SHALL BE 10' x 8' x 3' IN DEPTH. DRAINAGE BASIN SIZE AND LOCATION SHALL BE APPROVED BY THE ENGINEER BEFORE CONSTRUCTION.

18.) SAME DAY STABILIZATION HAS BEEN SPECIFIED FOR THOSE AREAS WHERE THERE IS LIMITED SPACE AVAILABLE FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF SEDIMENT TRAPS OR OTHER SEDIMENT CONTROL MEASURES BETWEEN THE ROADWAY SidesLOPE AND THE ROW LINE. THE INTENT OF SAME DAY STABILIZATION IS TO PREVENT THE MOVEMENT OF SOILS ONCE THEY ARE EXPOSED BY THE CONTRACTOR'S OPERATIONS. SAME DAY STABILIZATION IS TO BE IMPLEMENTED AFTER THE INITIAL PERIMETER CONTROLS ARE IN PLACE AND CONCURRENTLY WITH THE CONTRACTOR'S OPERATIONS EACH DAY.

THE PRIMARY METHOD OF SAME DAY STABILIZATION DURING GRADING OPERATIONS SHALL BE ITEM 62B TEMPORARY STABILIZATION WITH STRAW MULCH. OTHER TEMPORARY METHODS SHALL BE AS DIRECTED BY THE ENGINEER.

IN EITHER CASE, AT THE END OF THE DAY, THE WORK ZONE MUST BE LEFT IN A CONDITION IN WHICH THE GRADING AREAS DISTURBED THAT DAY ARE STABILIZED AND MULCHED IN PLACE TO CONTROL, SEDIMENT LAKE WATER AND OFFSITE RUNOFF.

THE CONTRACTOR IS RESPONSIBLE FOR COORDINATING HIS OPERATIONS WITH THE WORK OF ANY SUBCONTRACTORS TO ENSURE THAT STABILIZATION IS PERFORMED THE SAME DAY THAT DISTURBANCE OCCURS. THE PERFORMANCE OF SAME DAY STABILIZATION IS ALSO SUBJECT TO THE PENALTIES FOR NON-COMPLIANCE AND FAILURE TO RESPOND AS OUTLINED IN THE STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS.

19.) A NOMINAL QUANTITY FOR ITEM 62B REJECT SILT FENCE HAS BEEN PROVIDED. REJECTION OF SILT FENCE SHALL BE AS APPROVED OR DIRECTED BY THE ENGINEER.
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EROSION CONTROL STAGE CONSTRUCTION SEQUENCE:

REFER TO WET PLANS FOR WORK ZONES AND DRAINAGE CONSTRUCTION FOR EACH STAGE.

EROSION CONTROL NOTES:

1. For erosion and sediment control general notes see standard drawing 6-12-00 SHEET 1.

2. The permanent vegetative plan shall be used on all disturbed areas where a 2-year frequency 24-hour duration storm, or 1,000 c.f.t./acre, whichever is greater, therefore, may require more frequent cleaning than existing and trims sized to the standard 3,000 c.f.t./acre criteria.

3. When permanent vegetation is not possible in “same day stabilization” areas, erosion control shall be used for same day stabilization.

4. Stabilized construction entrances are shown at suggested locations. A nominal quantity has been provided for placing and maintaining additional areas.

5. Temporary stabilizing devices and traps for this project have been sized for the runoff from a 2-year frequency, 24-hour duration storm, or 3,000 c.f.t./acre, whichever is greater, therefore, may require more frequent cleaning than existing and trims sized to the standard 3,000 c.f.t./acre criteria.

6. Removing and reinstating inlets for protection devices to accommodate drainage. Structure adjustment is included in the cost of the erosion protection device.

PRESTAGE:

WB 1-50 STORM SEWER, RETAINING WALL, AND TEMPORARY PAVEMENT CONSTRUCTION.

INSTALL PERIMETER TILT FENCE AS SHOWN IN THE PLANS. STABILIZED CONSTRUCTION ENTRANCE TO ACCESS SEWER AND SEWAGE BID CONSTRUCTION AREAS, PROVIDE RETAINED EDDY BUFFER,hashCode=TILE 629 U.S. DESIGNATION BASE IN LOCATIONS, AND TEMPORARY CHANNEL THROUGH THE DETENTION DRAIN NORTH OF BID 5 USING SAME DAY STABILIZATION. INSTALL LINERS AND STEPS IN DRAINAGE BASE INSIDE BID 5. CONSTRUCT TEMPORARY DRAINAGE TO CONVEY RAINFALL FROM WB 1-50 BID UNION OR BID 5-50 BID WALL AND THE TEMPORARY CHANNEL, AND INTO THE SEWER BID WALL OF BID 5. EROSION CONTROL BID 5 WALLS FOR WB 1-50 BID UNION NEVER WALL AND TO EXISTING DRAINAGE PROPERLY CONSTRUCTED DRAINAGE TO ABATE WALLS.

COMPLETE BID 5 WALLS AND INSTALL CEMENT INLET PROTECTION AT SITE LINE AND PREPARE BID 5 FOR BID 5-50 BID UNION AND BID 5-50 BID WALL INSTALL DRAINAGE PROPERLY AND WITH STABILIZATION WALLS TO TEMPORARY DRAINAGE TO BID 5 WALLS.

COMPLETE EARTHWORK FOR TEMPORARY PAVEMENT AND PLACE AGGREGATE BASE COARSE AS PRACTICABLE. INSTALL SILT FENCE ALONG TEMPORARY CUTTER AND FILTER FABRIC ABUTMENT STRUCTURE TO TEMPORARY CUTTER.

STAGE 1-50:

SHOULDER REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT.

INSTALL ROCK CHECK DRAIN AND INLET PROTECTION IN EXISTING WB 1-50 DRAINAGE NEAR THE RIVER AND EROSION PROTECTION AS SHOWN IN THE PLANS. EROSION CONTROL BID 5 WALL STABILIZATION BETWEEN THE DIVIDED LINES OF TEMPORARY DRAINAGE AND BID 5 WALL INSTALL DRAINAGE PROPERLY AND WITH STABILIZATION WALLS TO TEMPORARY DRAINAGE TO BID 5 WALLS.

WB 1-50 DRAINAGE REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT WITH TEMPORARY PAVEMENT CONSTRUCTION.

CONSTRUCT TEMPORARY DRAINAGE EAST OF ROAD PRIOR TO CONVENING DRAINAGE CONSTRUCTION AS SHOWN IN THE PLANS. INSTALL DRAINAGE PROPERLY AND WITH STABILIZATION WALLS TO TEMPORARY DRAINAGE TO BID 5 WALLS.

WB 1-50 DRAINAGE REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT WITH TEMPORARY PAVEMENT CONSTRUCTION:

INSTALL INLET PROTECTION AT EXISTING TEMPORARY DRAINAGE AT NORTH END OF BID UNION PRIOR TO CONVENING DRAINAGE CONSTRUCTION AS SHOWN IN THE PLANS. INSTALL DRAINAGE PROPERLY AND WITH STABILIZATION WALLS TO TEMPORARY DRAINAGE TO BID 5 WALLS.

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EROSION CONTROL STAGE CONSTRUCTION SEQUENCE:

STAGE 18-3
EB 1-90/RAMP G GRADING, DRAINAGE AND PAVEMENT CONSTRUCTION EAST END OF THE INTERCHANGE

CONSTRUCT SEGMENT TRAPS EAST AND WEST OF THE CROSS ROAD CURVET AT EB 1-90 STA. 585-76 AND INSTALL ROCK CHECK DAM EAST OF EXITING MEDIAN STORM SEWER OUTLET AT EB 1-90 STA. 593-46. NOTE THAT MEDIAN DRAINAGE WEST OF WB 1-90 STA. 274-00 WAS DIVERTED TO RAMP F DITCH DURING PRESTAGE CONSTRUCTION.

CONSTRUCT DOWNSLOPE PORTION OF PROPOSED CROSS ROAD CURVET MORE MOUNTING MOW IN ADJACENT EXITING CROSS ROAD CURVET, STABILIZE OUTLET CHANNEL AT CURVET OUTLET USING SAME DAY STABILIZATION.

CONSTRUCT EB 1-90 DITCH AND STORM SEWER CONNECTION OF DETENTION POND, INSTALL DITCH CHECKS AND INLET PROTECTION, STABILIZE WITH PERMANENT STABILIZATION.

CONSTRUCT STORM SEWER FROM RAMP H LEFT DETENTION POND TO DETENTION POND, INSTALL EB 1-90 INLET PROTECTION.

CONSTRUCT EB 1-90 MEDIAN STORM SEWER AND CORE DRAINAGE STRUCTURES, INSTALL INLET PROTECTION AT MEDIAN DRAINAGE STRUCTURES. APPLY TEMPORARY STABILIZATION WITH STABILIZATION MULCH.

RAMP G SUBSTRUCTURE

CONSTRUCT CURVET INLET PROTECTION AT EXISTING INFIELD OUTLET CURVET, REMOVE EXISTING RAMP 1 INFILL USING EXCAVATION PHASING ACCORDING TO STD KI-03, SHEET 1. INSTALL DITCH CHECKS IN PROPOSED DITCHES, STABILIZE FINAL SLOPES WITH TEMPORARY STABILIZATION, APPLY TEMPORARY STABILIZATION WITH STRAW MULCH WHERE TEMPORARY SLOPES ARE REQUIRED TO AVOID UNREINFORCED EXISTING 1-90 INFILL.

NB 1-38/RAMP G AND RAMP 35 TIE-IN TO EXISTING RAMP

COMPLETE INFILL DRAINAGE, INSTALL DITCH CHECKS AND INFILL PROTECTION, AND STABILIZE DISTURBED AREAS USING PERMANENT STABILIZATION. COMPLETE DRAINAGE CONSTRUCTION IN 1-90 MEDIAN, STABILIZE WITH PERMANENT STABILIZATION, AND INSTALL INFILL PROTECTION ON PROPOSED 35TIE-IN.

STAGE 19-3

EB 1-90 AND RAMP G

COMPLETE MEDIAN STORM SEWER OUTLET SOUTH OF RAMP G NORTH ADJACENT TO AND INSTALL STORM SEWER INLET PROTECTION, COMPLETE PROPOSED MEDIAN DITCH BETWEEN EB 1-90 AND WB 1-90 AT INTERCHANGE WITH TEMPORARY FLEXIBLE PIPE TO ACCELERATE TEMPORARY DRAINAGE AND APPLY TEMPORARY STABILIZATION TO SMALL DITCHES AND APPLY TEMPORARY STABILIZATION.

COMPLETE RAMP G DRAINAGE AND DITCH AND STORM SEWER ALONG RAMP G DRAIN, INSTALL DITCH CHECKS IN DITCH AND APPLY PERMANENT STABILIZATION. INSTALL INLET PROTECTION ON SELECT INLETS BETWEEN RAMP G AND WB 1-90 AND AT THE LOW END OF THE RAMP G DRAIN TO PROVIDE DRAINAGE DRAINAGE DRAINAGE DRAINAGE DRAINAGE DRAINAGE.

ADJUST MEDIAN INLETS IN STAGE 19-4. INSTALL INLET PROTECTION ON RAMP G SIDE OF INLET DRAIN TO PROVIDE TEMPORARY DRAINAGE DRAINAGE.

APPLY TEMPORARY STABILIZATION TO CUT SLOPE BETWEEN NEW INLET AND EXISTING/PREVIOUS TEMORARY DRAINAGE.

EVCATE EB 1-90 DITCH BETWEEN 3-39 AND EB 1-90 INSTALL DITCH CHECKS AND APPLY PERMANENT STABILIZATION.

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### SEDIMENT TRAP DETAIL FOR BASIS OF EXCAVATION QUANTITIES (TYPICAL)

**NOTES:**

1. BASINS SHALL BE OVER EXCAVATED TO THE DEPTH SHOWN TO PROVIDE SEDIMENT BASIN STORAGE.

2. ELEVATIONS ARE SHOWN FOR THE FINAL POSITION OF SEDIMENT TRAPS ONLY. ELEVATIONS FOR MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTIONS OF THE SAME TRAP SHALL BE DETERMINED BY THE CONTRACTOR TO FIT HIS SEQUENCE OF CONSTRUCTION. ALL INTERMEDIATE CONSTRUCTION OF SEDIMENT TRAPS MUST BE APPROVED BY THE ENGINEER.

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NOTES

EACH AREA SHOWN ON PLAN MUST BE CLEARED AND EROSION CONTROL ITEMS SET IN PLACE AND APPROVED BY THE ENGINEER BEFORE WORK MAY BE STARTED IN ANOTHER AREA.

THE ORDER THAT AREAS MAY BE WORKED ON MAY BE AS REQUIRED TO BEST FACILITATE CONSTRUCTION.

SEE PROPOSED EROSION CONTROL PLAN FOR EROSION CONTROL ITEMS OF CONSTRUCTION.

WORK ZONE AREAS ARE LIMITED TO AREAS OF RIGHT-OF-WAY.
APPENDIX 4

Illinois Tollway - Erosion and Sediment Control Plan Technical Review Checklist
Erosion and Sediment Control Plan
Technical Review Checklist

Project: ____________________________________

Contract Number: ____________________________

DSE: _______________________________________

Date: ____________________________

Tollway reviewer to indicate:

C = Complies
D = Deficient
NA = Not Applicable

Tollway Reviewer ____________________________

Date: ____________________________

A.  Design Concept Submittal

General

1. ____ project boundaries, identified adjacent land uses, soil types, and existing and proposed topography

2. ____ Define the existing drainage network; including storm sewers; culverts; ditches; swales; channels; streams; constructed bioswales; and rivers that enter, cross, or may be impacted by the construction of the Project. Show existing and proposed drainage basins and overland stormwater/flood routing.

3. ____ Based on a 25-year, 24-hour storm event, or event required by the IEPA’s ILR10 permit, whichever is more stringent, determine the amount of runoff from the project area and tributary watershed areas.

4. ____ Identify all locations where existing ditches, swales, channels, streams, or rivers will need to be diverted to facilitate construction.

5. ____ Define areas where protection of existing vegetation will be required.

6. ____ Identify type and location of any special management areas, such as floodplains, floodways, wetlands, creeks, rivers, protected habitat, bioswales, etc.

7. ____ Define additional right-of-way or construction easements necessary to accommodate the implementation of the erosion and sediment control measures.

8. ____ General location map, including latitude, longitude, Section, Township and Range

Narrative

9. ____ Evaluate the project for the need to obtain an U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Section 404 permit, triggering the need for a review of the ESCP by the County Soil and Water Conservation District. Determine if ESCP review by other agencies will be required as a result of the need for an Illinois Department of Natural Resources Floodway/Floodplain Management permit or an Illinois Environmental Protection Agency Individual Section 401 permit.
10. ____ Evaluate project site requirements for NPDES Permit No. ILR10 – Storm Water Discharges From Construction Activities.

11. ____ Evaluate project site requirements for County Stormwater Management Agency requirements.

12. ____ Begin necessary coordination related to National Historic Preservation Act and Endangered Species Act compliance. Per requirements of NPDES Permit No. ILR10 – Storm Water Discharges From Construction Activities, information related to this coordination must be provided as part of the Notice of Intent (NOI). The DSE will develop draft documents suitable for submission to the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, as necessary. Draft documents will be provided to the Tollway Environmental Unit for their submission to these agencies.

13. ____ Provide narrative summarizing the project site evaluation, strategy for runoff control, rationalization for choice of BMPs, regulatory and resource agency coordination, and the overall erosion and sediment control concept. The narrative shall include a thorough explanation of the conclusions reached from the project site evaluation and governmental and regulatory coordination.

Overview Drawings at 1” = 100’

14. ____ conceptual proposed conditions, including contours, drainage patterns, storm conveyance systems, and possible BMPs

15. ____ project centerline stationing and ramp baseline, as applicable

16. ____ existing and proposed roadway geometry

17. ____ right-of-way limits

18. ____ existing contours (half tone)

19. ____ drainage areas tributary to the project and within project limits

20. ____ existing drainage network, including storm sewers, culverts, bridges, swales, ditches, channels, creeks, streams, rivers, constructed bioswales, and waterway names

21. ____ floodplain and floodway limits, with elevations clearly noted

22. ____ size of bridges, storm sewer/s, culverts, and existing outlets

23. ____ type and location of any special management areas

24. ____ location, size, and I.D. number of existing wetland areas, other environmentally sensitive areas, and which portions of these (if any) will be impacted

Other

25. ____ work stage drawing(s) that define the suggested sequencing of construction to limit the size of the area disturbed at one time to 20 acres

27. ____ rough cost estimate, including any additional right-of-way costs for implementing the ESCP

B. Preliminary Design Submittal

General

1. ____ Identify hydric or potentially erodible soils. Based on soils report information, refine soil classifications and adjust ESCP concept, as necessary.

2. ____ Address, in writing, all Tollway comments from previous submittal.

3. ____ Provide overview drawings reflecting any revisions called for in the previous review.

Drawings at 1” = 50’

4. ____ Show all information provided on overview drawings, including existing contour at half tone and proposed contours at full tone.


6. ____ Provide plan sheet EC-2, Erosion Control Schedule, and Materials Schedule. Summarize, by drawing number, the measures to be installed, pay items, pay item numbers, and quantities. Include a column for Record Quantities for use by the CSE.

Provide additional quantities over and above the plan quantities for use “At Engineer’s Discretion”. Coordinate these quantities with Tollway Project Engineers prior to submitting plans (see Appendix 3).

7. ____ Provide plan sheet EC-3, Erosion Control Sequences and General Notes. Show maintenance schedule for each erosion control practice with parties responsible for maintenance, i.e., Landscape Contractor or General Contractor. Show construction sequences for installing control measures in relation to specific stages of construction and earth disturbance activities. Show the following general notes:

_____a) For erosion and sediment control general notes, see Standard Drawings K1 and K2.

_____b) The permanent vegetative plan shall be used on all disturbed areas whenever possible (according to general note number 8). A quantity for temporary stabilization with straw mulch (Item 280.15) has also been provided for all anticipated disturbed areas.
c) When permanent landscaping is not possible in “Same Day Stabilization” areas, Item 280.15 shall be used for same day stabilization.

d) Temporary sediment basin #____ and temporary sediment traps #____ have been sized using 1800 cubic feet/acre storage and may need more frequent cleaning than traps sized to the standard 3600 cubic feet/acre criteria.

e) Stabilized construction entrances shown at suggested locations. A nominal quantity has been provided for placing and maintaining additional entrances(s).

8. Delineate disturbed area and provide drainage patterns for proposed conditions. Make special note of drainage areas used to size the perimeter controls, sediment traps, or retention basins.

9. Direction of runoff flow prior to construction, during construction, and after construction is completed. This may require duplicate drawings in some situations.

10. Identify reaches that will require use of staged construction with temporary or permanent stabilization of slopes before additional excavation or placement of fill. Label how many stages/phases of construction will be needed, with the slope length (50 feet) and/or 15 feet fill or cut limitations shown on Tollway Standard Drawing K1, at representative (20 acre) locations along the route.

11. Borrow sites and topsoil stockpile locations, including applicable ESC measures.

12. Identify and quantity all tree protection and sediment control measures that must be in place prior to start of grading. These include sediment basins, sediment traps, and silt fences. These practices shall be identified on the plan as Initial Construction.

13. Identify locations where temporary stream diversions will be needed for installation of culverts or bridges. These measures shall be identified on the plan as Initial Construction.

14. Identify and quantity the permanent and temporary storm water practices that must be in place before grading occurs in each specific area along the route. These include storm water detention sites, stabilized channel outlets, stabilized temporary swales or diversion dikes, and any needed stream diversions. Notes shall be placed on the drawings identifying which of the runoff control practices and sediment control measures are to be installed prior to the start of grading. Most of these will fall in the category of perimeter controls. These practices shall be identified as Initial Construction.

15. Identify reaches that will have temporary pipe slope drains and temporary berms (fill areas).

16. Show the area, in acres, controlled by each temporary sediment basin, sediment trap, temporary diversion, temporary swale, or other temporary measure.

17. Show the location, size, and storage capacity of all detention basins to be constructed for storm water management. Add notes if any portion of the basin is designed to serve as a sediment trap/basin.
18. ____ Layout the ESCP showing type and location of erosion and sediment control measures to be used. Annotate as needed to get design intent across. Complete detailing is not required at this phase.

19. ____ Provide provisions for dust control watering and other pollution control measures.

Other

20. ____ preliminary cost estimate


22. ____ any additional information required by the Tollway Project Engineer

23. ____ provide Permanent Landscape Plans at 1” = 50’ showing final landscape post construction features and permanent seeding. Refer to Section II Landscape for requirements.

C. Pre-Final Design Submittal

General

1. ____ Address, in writing, all Tollway comments from previous submittal.

2. ____ overview drawings

Drawings at 1” = 50’

3. ____ Identify any erosion or sediment control measures that will serve as permanent erosion control measures remaining after construction is complete.

4. ____ Identification number, volume, length, width, bottom elevation and cleanout elevation of sediment traps and sediment basins shall be shown on the drawings.

5. ____ Sediment traps, sediment basins, dewatering basins, temporary swales and temporary channel diversions shall be drawn on the cross sections and submitted for review to verify that the devices fit in the intended area.

6. ____ Label the specific location(s), size and length of all erosion and sediment control measures shown on the drawings.

7. ____ Provide the dimension, material and installation details for all erosion and sediment control measures and facilities not covered by the Standard Drawings.

8. ____ Provide a maintenance schedule on sheet EC-3 for any special measures not covered in the standard drawings and specifications.

Other

9. ____ pre-final cost estimate

10. ____ pre-final Special Provisions

11. ____ prepare Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP). The DSE shall modify Special Provisions 111.2 to satisfy this requirement.
12. ____ any additional information required by the Tollway Project Engineer

13. ____ NPDES NOI form

14. ____ County Soil and Water Conservation District form, checklist and narrative (provide only if required because of a Section 404 permit)

15. ____ County Stormwater Management Agency submittal (if required)

16. ____ submittal information for other agencies, as required

D. Final Design Submittal

1. ____ Address, in writing, all Tollway comments from previous submittals.

2. ____ final overview and ESCP drawings

3. ____ final Special Provisions and SWPPP in Special Provision 111.2

4. ____ final cost estimate

5. ____ Professional Engineer’s seal and signature on plans

6. ____ any additional information required by the Tollway Project Engineer

7. ____ final schedule of materials
APPENDIX 5

Illinois Tollway – Stabilized Construction Entrance/Exit
NOTES:

1. STONE
   A. STONE SIZE - CA-3
   B. LENGTH - AS REQUIRED, BUT NOT LESS THAN 75'.
   C. THICKNESS - NOT LESS THAN 4" ABOVE TOP OF GEOWEB.

2. WIDTH - 10' MINIMUM FOR ONE WAY TRAFFIC; 24' MINIMUM FOR TWO-WAY TRAFFIC; BUT NOT LESS THAN THE FULL WIDTH AT POINTS WHERE INGRESS OR EGRESS OCCURS.

3. GEOWEB NOT LESS THAN 8" IN DEPTH WILL BE PLACED OVER THE ENTIRE AREA PRIOR TO PLACING OF STONE.

4. SURFACE WATER - ALL SURFACE WATER FLOWING OR DIVERTED TOWARD CONSTRUCTION ENTRANCES SHALL BE PIPED ACROSS THE ENTRANCE, IF PIPING IS IMPRACTICAL, A MOUNTABLE BERM WITH 1:5 SLOPES WILL BE PERMITTED.

5. MAINTENANCE - THE ENTRANCE SHALL BE MAINTAINED IN A CONDITION WHICH SHALL PREVENT TRACKING OR FLOWING OF SEDIMENT INTO PUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WAY. THIS MAY REQUIRE PERIODIC TOP DRESSING WITH ADDITIONAL STONE AS CONDITIONS DEMAND AND REPAIR AND/OR CLEAN OUT OF ANY MEASURES USED TO TRAP SEDIMENT. ALL SEDIMENT SPILLED, DROPPED, WASHED OR TRACKED INTO PUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WAY SHALL BE REMOVED IMMEDIATELY.

6. PERIODIC INSPECTION AND MAINTENANCE SHALL BE PROVIDED AFTER HEAVY USE AND EACH RAINFALL EVENT.

7. TO BE USED TO REDUCE OR ELIMINATE TRACKING OF SEDIMENT ONTO PUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WAY. THIS MAY REQUIRE PERIODIC TOP DRESSING WITH ADDITIONAL STONE AS CONDITIONS DEMAND AND REPAIR AND/OR CLEAN OUT OF ANY MEASURES USED TO TRAP SEDIMENT. ALL SEDIMENT SPILLED, DROPPED, WASHED OR TRACKED INTO PUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WAY SHALL BE REMOVED IMMEDIATELY.

STABILIZED CONSTRUCTION ENTRANCE
STANDARD SYMBOL
APPENDIX 6

Illinois Tollway – Roadside Mowing Policy
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Section 1 – Roadside Vegetation Management

The purpose of this guide is to serve as a standardized reference for systemwide mowing management by promoting a safe, economically responsible and aesthetically pleasing natural roadside turf environment. It is the intent to provide general vegetation management methods to reduce soil erosion, enhance water quality, conserve energy, manage existing turf and control invasive plants. Modifications may be necessary to allow flexibility for various roadway circumstances, equipment limitations and needs.

A.) General Appearance and Function:

For new plantings the natural roadside turf management intent generally will promote the practical use of native plants, and for existing conditions is to provide a responsible uniform maintenance practice for relevant right-of-way locations. For existing grasses this practice would generally incorporate reduced cutting frequency from that of conventionally manicured turf grass and by cutting most backslopes when turf reaches approximately 18 inches, or possibly greater in rural locations. The zone immediately along the edge of pavement would continue to maintain a standard manicured appearance through regular cuttings at approximately 6 inches height. The intended result will be a natural rather than a traditional manicured appearance.
Section 2 – Mowing Guidelines
(see figures 1, 2 and 3)

A.) Shoulder (and Median) Mowing:

Mowing Frequency: As needed, approximately 3 – 5 cycles per year
Mowing Height: Minimum 6 inches

Shoulder and median cutting cycles may be made as needed to maintain a manicured appearance and should typically begin when 50 percent of the vegetation reaches 10 inch height. Mower equipment settings shall be adjusted to maintain the vegetation height between 6 and 12 inches.

The width of the cut shall be approximately 15 feet wide from the edge of shoulder or through the ditch line and is generally intended to be one pass of the mowing equipment. This practice may require a range of mowing widths to continuously manage drainage through the ditch line.

Mowing and vegetation control should be provided on all medians less than 100 feet in width. Medians 100 feet and wider may be managed at discretion of each maintenance section and is dependent upon the terrain.

B.) Backslope (and Interchange) Mow Management-

URBAN AREAS:

Mowing Frequency: Between 1 to 3 cycles per year
Mowing Height: Minimum 6 inches

For the purposes of Tollway vegetation management, urban areas are defined as having a surrounding setting that is characteristic of city or town development. The start of rural location limits commonly begin west of the Fox River, but exact locations should be determined by each maintenance section.

Urban mowing of all accessible areas beyond the “Shoulder and Median Mowing” limits shall typically be conducted between one to three mowing cycles each year. Mower equipment settings shall be adjusted to cut vegetation once heights reach approximately 18 inches.

Mowing areas generally include, interchange infields and back-slopes to the fence line. A single mowing pass along the fence line may be provided on a more frequent basis in areas such as those adjacent to residential neighborhoods.

RURAL AREAS:

Mowing Frequency: Approximately 1 cycle every 1 – 2 years (less as practical)
Mowing Height: Minimum 6 inches (up to 15 inches)

For the purposes of Tollway vegetation management, rural areas are defined as those outside urban areas, generally with a surrounding setting characteristic of that beyond a city or town.

Rural mowing of all accessible areas beyond the “Shoulder and Median Mowing” limits shall typically be conducted in one cycle every (1) one or two (2) years or less depending on site conditions.
conditions. Mower equipment settings shall be adjusted to cut vegetation once heights reach approximately 18 inches or higher when practical and desirable.

Mowing areas generally include, interchange infields and back-slopes to the fence line. Mowing frequency should be evaluated each year and is intended to be the least possible to control weed growth and undesirable woody vegetation.

C.) Facility Mowing:

The area immediately surrounding Oasis, Toll Plazas, Maintenance Yards and other Tollway structures and facilities may be maintained with conventional lawn maintenance methods (Shoulder Mowing and/or Traditional Mowing) of increased mowing frequency for a more manicured turf appearance. Additional care and watering may also be required to turf areas with traditional mowing practices and should also to surrounding trees, shrubs and other ornamental plants during the summer months or dry periods, as needed.

D.) Safety and Best Management Practices Notes:

a.) Operator training is provided by each maintenance section and should be completed prior to use of any mowing equipment.

b.) Additional mowing may be performed in areas where vegetation impedes roadside drainage. If possible mowing in drainage ditches should be performed when the areas are dry to reduce turf damage and potential soil erosion.

c.) Spot mowing may be performed for noxious weed control. Blanket mowing of larger select areas may also be provided when increase control of noxious weeds is desirable and to aesthetically blend mow areas. When cutting for weed control the timing is important and typically should be completed before the targeted plant flowers, reducing the ability to propagate, but may vary for various plant types (see Section 4).

d.) Shoulder Mowing may also be expanded where lower grass heights are desirable, such as, delineation of message signs. This shall be performed with long, smooth approach transitions to the signage, so the mowed edge does not produce an abrupt or ragged appearance.

e.) Medians and Interchange infields less than approximately 100 feet wide shall be completely mowed according to the regular ‘Shoulder Mowing’ cycle.

f.) Slopes greater than 2.5:1 shall not be mowed with conventional mowers.

g.) Areas with steep slopes or poor access or conditions that currently have reduced mowing restrictions may remain as such unless otherwise directed or indicated on the vegetation management maps.

h.) All mowing should be performed in a manner to prevent scalping, equipment rutting tracks or other turf and slope damage. Whenever possible mowing should not be done when ground conditions are wet or where equipment slipping could cause turf damage or lead to potential soil erosion and sediment loss.

i.) Designated locations behind noise walls may be considered for regular ‘Shoulder Mowing’ practices to maintain a manicured appearance and control debris adjacent to residential and urban locations.
j.) Regular Shoulder Mowing practices using one pass of the tractor mower width may be permitted along the right-of-way fence in urban areas as needed to control weed growth or to maintain a manicured appearance adjacent to similar residential and urban conditions.

k.) Urban backslopes with flatter grades and adjacent to currently groomed commercial or residential locations may be considered for more frequent mowing practices to blend with the surrounding land use. These locations should typically be determined by each Maintenance Section and identified on Vegetation Management Maps.

l.) All areas should be patrolled for debris prior to mowing. Permanent obstructions with low visibility may be marked with appropriate stakes to more clearly identify obstacles.

m.) When mowing must be done near, between or around trees and shrubs, care should be exercised to avoid damaging plants and their supports. Mowing equipment, such as smaller tractors, may be required when occasional mowing within groups of tree plantings is needed. Care should be taken near newly planted seedlings and the use of mowing markers may be provided to delineate mowing limits. Trees are typically located within the ‘Bankslope mowing zones to reduce mowing frequency and subsequent maintenance needed around plantings.

n.) Backslope mowing should be performed during the spring or during the fall mowing cycles whenever possible. Shoulder Mowing may be performed as needed to maintain specified turf heights.

Section 3 – Management / Weed Control:

A.) Vegetation Management Maps:

The maintenance methods provided in this guide is suggested as a general reference for standardized practice, but will not include all situations or most desirable practices. Many areas throughout the system may also require variation of standardized measures to best address site specific conditions. Preparation of Vegetation Management Maps may be desirable for each maintenance section to assist in directing some of the variations of mowing and maintenance activities. Items that may be delineated include, special conditions, mowing limits, frequency and locations for monitoring weed control. Changes in the general guidance for back-slopes, interchange infields or other locations may also be provided on the mowing plans.

Areas planted in native grasses and/or wildflowers may require special mowing practices (or prescribed burning) and should be indicated on the Maps.

B.) Herbicides and Weed Control:

When noxious weeds are not able to be controlled by cutting, herbicide application may be considered as an alternative management tool. Other invasive and nuisance weed species should be controlled by mowing at proper times of the year to manage growth and spreading. Chemical treatment must be applied by registered applicators. Illinois state-listed noxious weeds (see list below) should be managed in a timely manner and during the most effective time for control. Use of specific herbicides selected for targeted plants are most effective in eradicating growth. Care should be taken to preclude damage of desirable vegetation. Spot spraying of target weeds should
be the first consideration in chemical control. Blanket spraying should only be used in areas containing high concentrations of the target weeds when other options are not effective.

**Illinois Noxious weeds List (as of current printing):**

1. Marihuana (*Cannabis sativa L.*)
2. Giant Ragweed (*Ambrosia trifida L.*)
3. Common Ragweed (*Ambrosia artemisiifolia L.*)
4. Canada Thistle (*Cirsium arvense*)
5. Perennial Sowthistle (*Sonchus arvensis*)
6. Musk Thistle (*Carduus nutans*)
7. Perennial sorghum types, including Johnsongrass (*Sorghum halepense*)
8. Kudzu (*Pueraria labata*)

**Other common invasive or nuisance weeds include, but not limited to:**

1. Leafy Spurge
2. Purple Loosestrife
3. Garlic Mustard
4. Reed Canary Grass
5. White and Yellow Sweet Clover
6. Cut-leaf and Common Teasel

Effective and safe weed management control may be developed for problem areas by contacting the USDA Midwest Area Weed Management Unit.

**C.) Marking Limits for Special Mow Areas:**

Selective mowing stakes (Article 250.08 of the Standard Specifications) may be used to delineate mowing lines for special mowing practices of wildflower, wetland and/or other conservation areas requiring guidance of mower operations.

When the complete right-of-way is mowed, use extra care in areas beyond the clear zone to identify and save desirable volunteer trees and shrubs.

**D.) Mowing Equipment:**

Large tractors with flail or rotary mowing equipment attachments are used for most roadway mowing conditions.

Smaller rotary tractors and/or hand mowing equipment should be used in locations that are not easily accessible to larger tractor units. These locations may include, between tree groupings, around culvert inlets and outlets, near building facilities or other locations that may cause unwanted damage to desirable vegetation or structures.

Slope mowers are designed for use on slopes steeper than 3 to 1. These mowers are equipped with proper center-of-gravity mechanics and can maneuver slopes safely while reducing damage to slopes. The equipment should be operated as provided by each manufacturer.

All mowing equipment should be checked to confirm the proper mowing deck heights are set prior to cutting. Adjustments to mowing equipment may be considered to achieve higher cuts if desirable and beneficial, particularly for rural backslope and interchanges. Adjustments, changes or additions to mowing equipment should be coordinated with specific manufactures to provide safe results.
Figure 1
Typical URBAN Mow Zones
Figure 3
URBAN (Left) and RURAL (Right)
Interchange Mow Zones

Urban shoulder mowing, approx. 15' wide, or through ditch line. Mow as needed approx. 3-5 times per year.

Rural shoulder mowing, approx. 15' wide. Mow as needed approx. 3-5 times per year.

Urban backslope mowing. Mow approx. 1-3 times per year.

Rural backslope mowing. Mow approx. 1 time every 1-2 years (or less).

Mower height is typically a minimum of 6 inches and may be higher on rural backslopes.
APPENDIX 7

Illinois Tollway – Landscape Design Submittal Checklist
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<td>____a) the identification, by text and illustration (photo or graphic image), of the landscape character of the existing and adjacent sites</td>
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<td>____i) identification of any agencies, municipalities, community groups or individuals that the design team will have to coordinate with to achieve a successful landscape design</td>
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<td>____a) desired landscape character and landscape goals</td>
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<td>____c) how the proposed landscape design compliments the proposed drainage/grading design</td>
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d) a discussion of the pros and cons of any alternatives that are included in the submission

4. concept plans
   a) The plans must be coordinated with drainage/grading design and any utility and lighting layouts.
   b) The plans shall be at a 1” = 100’ scale to represent the overall concept and at a 1” = 50’ to adequately represent typical sections of the concept where additional detail is so desired.
   c) Any important view sheds that are to be protected or enhanced should be indicated on the plan/plans
   d) Views to or from the site that should be screened should also be indicated.

5. preliminary cross sections to display the viability of the conceptual design

6. a list of plant types to be used

7. a list or copies of the relevant information and design criteria collected through the coordination process

8. a rough cost estimate

9. any additional information required by the Tollway project engineer

B. Preliminary Plans and Special Provisions

1. a) The preliminary plans submittal will include plans, text, and specifications developed to a 60% level of completeness.
   b) The Plans must be coordinated with, and complimentary to, the proposed drainage, grading designs, and utility drawings.
   c) Any alternative drainage systems and grading solutions proposed should be described in text and also displayed in plan and cross section format.
   d) The background documentation maintained by the DSE will need to meet the requirements in the Tollway Environmental Studies Manual.
   e) This documentation will also need to identify any special requirements used to select specific measures.

2. site location map

3. plan or plan views showing the schematic layout of the overall landscape design. The overall design will be delineated at a scale of 1” = 50’ and at 1” = 20’ in areas where additional detail is required.

4. a tree preservation plan that will include the following:
   a) existing tree locations
b) size, species and condition

c) methods of protection, including fencing and wrapping

d) defined safe area to protect tree root structures based on the analysis of the Existing Vegetation Assessment

5. preliminary detailed plans of any atypical or special areas

6. preliminary planting and construction details

7. preliminary details of any hard-landscaped elements such as paving or special features

8. cross sections that adequately display significant changes in grade or width of the area to be planted and the viability of the landscape concept

9. Plant names and sizes will be indicated on the plans.

a) Tollway Project Engineer and the landscape architect will determine the viability of the plant material selection with due consideration to site conditions and salt tolerance.

10. Landscape Materials List to include the following:

a) preliminary schedule of quantities and construction cost estimate for plant material

b) all measures to be installed

c) planting schedule, indicating species (common and botanical names), sizes to be used, and quantity

d) maintenance guidelines, provisions for care, and fertilizer requirements for a 820 day/three year establishment period for a spring planting or for two growing seasons if the plantings take place in fall

11. outline or special provisions to the Standard Specifications that follow the accepted Tollway standards

12. a coordination schedule for the installation and inspection of the planting material

13. Address, in writing, all Tollway comments from the previous submittal.

14. any additional information required by the Tollway project engineer

C. Pre-Final Plans and Special Provisions

1. Pre-Final Plan phase will develop the plans, text, and specifications submitted at the Preliminary Plans and Special Provisions Phase to a 99% level of completeness.

b) All drawings will be coordinated with the drainage, grading, and utility packages.
c) All drawings will be fully annotated and show dimensions, notes, references, symbols, legends, and labels.

d) The drawings will be cross referenced to a fully detailed plant schedule.

e) The plant schedule will fully delineate the species (common and botanical name and size), type, spacing, and quantity of all plants selected.

f) All details for planting, hard-landscape, and special features will be complete and cross referenced to the plans.

g) The Specifications and Special Provisions will follow Tollway format and will be complete with all materials, ways, and means specified.

2. ____ a site location map

3. ____ a plan or plan views showing the schematic layout of the overall landscape design. The overall design will be delineated at no less than a scale of 1” = 50’ and at 1” = 20’ in areas where additional detail is required.

4. ____ a tree preservation plan, that will include the following:

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9. ____ Plant types (common/botanical names or key codes) and sizes will be indicated on plans.

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maintenance guidelines and provisions for care, and fertilizer requirements for a 820 day/three year establishment period for a spring planting or for two growing seasons if the planting takes place in the fall

11. specifications and special provisions that follow the accepted Tollway standards

12. a coordinated schedule for the design installation and inspection of the planting material.

13. address, in writing, all Tollway comments from the previous submittal

14. any additional information required by the Tollway project engineer

C. Final Plans and Special Provisions

1. All comments and questions received during the review of Pre-Final Plans must be adequately addressed in writing or resolved by revisions to the final or Special Provisions.

2. drawings must be at 100% completeness

3. a site location map

4. a plan or plan view showing the schematic layout of the overall landscape design. The overall design will be delineated at no less than a scale of 1” = 50’ and 1” = 20’ in areas where additional detail is required.

5. a tree preservation plan that will include the following:
   a) existing tree locations
   b) size and species (common and botanical name)
   c) methods of protection, including fencing and wrapping
   d) defined safe areas needed to protect tree root structures, based on the analysis of the Existing Vegetative Assessment
   e) The drawings will be cross referenced to a fully detailed plant schedule. The plant schedule will identify the species (common and botanical name), size, type, spacing, and quantity

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12. specifications and special provisions that follow Tollway standards
13. registered Landscape Architect’s seal and signature on plans
14. Address, in writing, all Tollway comments from the previous submittal.
15. any additional information required by the Tollway project engineer
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### Legend
- **R.O.W.**
- **G** Existing Gas Pipeline
- **E** Existing Electric Line
- **F** Existing Overhead Sign
- **N** Direction of Ramp Traffic
- **s** Future Bike Path Location (along East R.O.W.)
- **c** Existing Tree Lines
- **p** Existing Noise Wall Location
- **C** Contours
- **f** Existing Fiber Optic Line
- **X** Existing Fence Line

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**The Illinois State Toll Highway Authority**
2700 Ogden Avenue
DOWNEYS GROVE, ILLINOIS 60515
GENERAL NOTES

(Illinois State Toll Highway Authority)

1. During crossroad construction operations, the contractor shall take necessary precautions to control debris, dust, and other materials generated from excavation and/or clearing operations. The contractor shall also be responsible for keeping debris from the adjacent traveled ways and areas. All debris and materials generated by the contractor shall be removed from the job site promptly and placed in a manner that will not interfere with traffic flow.

2. Pollution control. The contractor will be required to comply with all state and federal laws concerning waste and water pollution. He will not be allowed to build at all times the site.

3. Approved waste in the waste system of any construction equipment shall be disposed of in an approved waste system. All equipment shall be kept clean and in good operating condition.

4. The scale shown on the drawings applies only to full-size plans and dimensions. All required scale drawings are provided on applicable sheets.

5. It is the contractor's responsibility to maintain existing field conditions before grading on this project, specifically as they relate to proposed paved areas.

6. The contractor shall be responsible for preparing the site for all underground utilities, including electrical, gas, and water lines. Any existing utility lines or other underground services that are disturbed during the course of construction shall be re-established to meet the requirements of the municipality and/or utility provider.

7. Wherever necessary, the contractor may be required to provide additional bearing capacity to support the proposed structures.

8. The contractor shall be responsible for maintaining all materials and equipment used in the construction of the project in a safe and workable condition.

9. The contractor shall be responsible for the protection of all existing utilities and other underground services that are disturbed during the course of construction. Any existing utility lines or other underground services that are disturbed during the course of construction shall be re-established to meet the requirements of the municipality and/or utility provider.

10. In order to maintain existing drainage systems and prevent erosion, the contractor shall be responsible for providing adequate drainage facilities. All drainage structures shall be designed and constructed to meet the requirements of the municipality and/or utility provider.

11. When existing drainage facilities are disturbed, the contractor shall be responsible for restoring the drainage system to its original condition. The contractor shall be responsible for providing adequate drainage facilities to prevent erosion and to ensure that the drainage system is in proper working order.

12. Cooperation with utilities. The contractor shall be responsible for maintaining all existing and planned utility facilities. The contractor shall also be responsible for providing adequate drainage facilities to prevent erosion and to ensure that the drainage system is in proper working order.

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**NOTE:** This progress schedule represents the design section engineer's suggested scheduling of the overall contract. The contractor shall submit his/her schedule in accordance with S.P. 124.

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APPENDIX 9

Illinois Tollway – Preservation, Removal and Replacement of Trees
1. **Policy:**

   The Illinois State Toll Highway Authority (Tollway) recognizes the essential functions and values that trees contribute to the roadside infrastructure and the environment. Accordingly, the Tollway is committed to protect and preserve existing trees within project limits consistent with the standards of highway and public safety and to the extent practical. When trees of value must be removed opportunities will be pursued to provide replacement trees.

2. **Purpose:**

   This document provides guidance for decision making pertaining to the preservation, removal and replacement of existing roadside trees in conjunction with the planning, design and construction improvements. The intent of this guidance is to replace vegetation of value when trees cannot be preserved and require removal.

3. **Guidelines for implementation:**

   For consideration of tree replacement the term "tree" shall mean a live woody perennial plant in good health, having a single main stem or trunk, the diameter of which is 6 inches or greater at diameter breast height (DBH) measured at a point 4.5 feet above the highest ground level at the base of the tree. The term "tree" also may include woody perennial plants having a single main stem or trunk of 4 inches or greater DBH when determination is made that such plants have been deliberately planted for specific functional landscape, environmental mitigation or habitat preservation/enhancement purposes.

   Replacement does not apply to the removal of trees that are dead, dying, diseased, severely damaged or in poor health and form. Tree replacement for invasive, volunteer or undesirable woody vegetation is not typically required; however, wooded tree stands may be evaluated to determine a reduced suitable replacement rate when the invasive or undesirable tree species provides an identified environmental or functional value.

   (a.) **Tree Preservation and Tree Removal:**

   Tree preservation and protection should be explored before consideration of removal and replacement. When removal is necessary locations for on-site replacement should be pursued before considering potential off-site mitigation solutions.

   An evaluation shall be conducted by the Designer with qualified personnel whenever tree removal is proposed and identified during the Phase I study or the Environmental Studies Inventory (ESIS) documents. Depending on the scale and scope of work, the evaluation may necessitate a tree survey. All evaluation methods should include an analysis report and summary of recommendations to demonstrate compliance with policy and that the necessary loss of valued
vegetation has been minimized and mitigated. The information shall be submitted to the Tollway Project Manager and Landscape/Environmental Unit for review. If any of the conditions in APPENDIX III of the Environmental Studies Manual (ESM) apply, a project submittal may also be required to the Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) for completion of the natural resource review process. Resulting documentation should accompany subsequent phases of the project's development and implementation. Tree protection areas and sensitive environmental issues should also be noted in the contract documents and discussed during the pre-construction meeting.

Alternate options for mitigation may be considered for unique specimen trees, such as those on the inventory of state record; outstanding examples possessing exceptional size and form, or of recognized historical significance.

(b.) Tree Replacement:

General replacement ratios for trees shall be:

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An estimated replacement ratio of 0.1 to 0.8 for invasive or undesirable tree species removed (6" diameter or greater) in wooded tree stands may be considered when environmental or functional value has been determined.

Plantings shall be accomplished in conformance with applicable sections of the most current Standard and Tollway Supplemental Specifications for Planting Woody Plants (Section 253) and the Erosion and Sediment Control, Landscape Criteria Manual. To provide the best chances of establishment, sizes for replacement trees shall typically be 1 caliper inch to 2 caliper inches for each replacement tree. Consideration may be given for other equivalent replacement material sizes and ratios when special conditions are identified and provided for review in the design evaluation report.

Suitable tree replacement locations should be provided at locations on-site, as near to the removal areas as practical and address locations identified in the Phase I report. If final tree replacement quantities result in undesirable crowding of trees at nearby right-of-way locations, consideration may be given to reduce the number of replacement trees required to be planted and/or designate other practical locations within the right-of-way.

Off-site options for tree replacement may be considered based on goals, priorities, and the particular circumstances of each project. Where trees must be removed for Tollway projects in urban areas, sensitivity should be afforded to the concerns of adjacent community and affected residents in determining appropriate replacement solutions.
APPENDIX 10

U.S. Department of Agriculture Plant Hardiness Zone Map
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USDA Plant Hardiness Zone Map
Illinois

Range of Average Annual Minimum Temperatures for each Zone:
- Zone 4b: -20° to -25°F
- Zone 5a: -15° to -20°F
- Zone 5b: -10° to -15°F
- Zone 6a: -5° to -10°F
- Zone 6b: 0° to -5°F

USDA Plant Hardiness Zone Map

Range of Average Annual Minimum Temperatures for each Zone:
- Zone 1: Below -50°F
- Zone 2: -50° to -40°F
- Zone 3: -40° to -30°F
- Zone 4: -30° to -20°F
- Zone 5: -20° to -10°F
- Zone 6: -10° to 0°F
- Zone 7: 0° to 10°F
- Zone 8: 10° to 20°F
- Zone 9: 20° to 30°
- Zone 10: 30° to 40°
- Zone 11: Above 40°