# **DIVISION 2 - Earthwork**

## Section 2010- Earthwork, Subgrade and Subbase

## 1.07 Special Requirements

Add the following: "No earthwork shall proceed with or upon frozen materials."

## 1.08 Measurement and Payment

### D. Topsoil

## 1. On-site Topsoil, 2. Compost-amended Topsoil, 3. Off-Site Topsoil

Delete measurement and payment for each item and replace with the following:

- "a. Measurement: Measurement will be the plan quantity in cubic yards without final field measurement. Adjustments may be made to the plan quantities if agreed to by both the Engineer and Contractor.
- b. Payment: Payment will be at the unit price per cubic yard.
- **c. Includes**: Work includes but is not limited to, stripping, excavating, furnishing, hauling, placing and incorporating materials. Overhaul will not be paid. "

## L. Compaction Testing:

Delete item 1 and item 2 and replace with the following:

- "1. The Contractor will be responsible for compaction testing unless otherwise specified in the contract documents.
- 2. Testing shall be performed by an independent testing laboratory hired by the Contractor. Payment will be incidental to related bid items. "

### 2.04 Foundation Materials

- D. Subbase
- 1. Special Backfill Delete item 1-Special Backfill in its entirety.

## 3.02 Stripping, Salvaging, Spreading Topsoil

### C. Topsoil Spreading

Delete Item 2. and replace with the following: "Place topsoil at least 4 inches deep; smooth and finish grade according to the contract documents. If topsoil is amended with compost, thoroughly blend compost with onsite topsoil at the rate specified in Section 2010, 2.01."

### 3.06 Subgrade Preparation

**A. Uniform Composition** Add the following: "A disk or plow shall be used for scarification of materials for drying. If conditions do not allow enough space for a disk or plow, the material shall be scarified by other methods as approved by the Engineer."

# 2. Subgrade Compaction in Cut Sections

Delete items b. and c. in their entirety and replace with the following:

- "b. Disk, scarify, mix and recompact the next 6 inches of subgrade.
- c. Replace, disk, mix and compact the top 6 inches of subgrade."

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### PART 2 - PRODUCTS

### 2.01 TOPSOIL

Use suitable topsoil of uniform quality, free from hard clods, roots, sod, stiff clay, hard pan, stones larger than 1 inch (1/2 inch for turfgrass seeding), lime cement, ash, slag, concrete, tar residue, tarred paper, boards, chips, sticks, or any undesirable material.

Use on-site topsoil, unless compost-amended or off-site topsoil is specified.

- **A. On-site Topsoil:** On-site topsoil material is material excavated from the top 12 inches of the site. Use of on-site topsoil material is subject to the Engineer's approval.
- **B.** Compost-amended On-site Topsoil: Amend low-quality on-site topsoil, not meeting the requirements specified for off-site topsoil, with a minimum of 1 inch of compost for every 3 inches of topsoil. Use compost meeting the requirements of mulch for pneumatic seeding in Section 9010, 2.07.
- **C. Off-site Topsoil**: Contains at least 3% organic matter, according to ASTM D 2974, has a high degree of fertility, is free of herbicides that prohibit plant growth, has a pH level between 6.0 and 8.0, and meets the following mechanical analysis requirements:

Sieve	Percent Passing 100		
1"			
1/2"	95* to 97*		
1/4"	40 to 60		
No. 100	40 to 60		
No. 200	10 to 30		

<sup>\* 100%</sup> for turfgrass

The Engineer will approve the source of off-site topsoil. Surface soils from ditch bottoms, drained ponds, and eroded areas, or soils that are supporting growth of noxious weeds or other undesirable vegetation, will not be accepted. The Engineer will determine if testing is necessary. The Contractor will be responsible for payment of the testing if the off-site topsoil does not meet the above requirements. If the testing verifies the off-site topsoil does meet the above requirements, payment for the testing will be the responsibility of the Jurisdiction.

### 2.02 EXCAVATION MATERIALS

All project site and borrow excavation will be classified as Class 10, Class 12, or Class 13 as defined below, and as indicated in the contract documents.

### A. Class 10 Excavation:

- Class 10 excavation includes all normal soil such as loam, silt, gumbo, peat, clay, soft shale, sand, and gravel. It includes fragmentary rock handled in the manner normal to this class of excavation.
- Includes any combination of the above described materials and any other material not classified as Class 12 or Class 13.

## 2.02 EXCAVATION MATERIALS (Continued)

#### B. Class 12 Excavation:

- 1. Material deposits so firmly cemented together that they cannot be removed without continuous use of pneumatic tools or blasting.
- 2. Class 12 excavation includes the actual measured volume of granite, trap, quartzite, chert, limestone, sandstone, hard shale, or slate in natural ledges or displaced masses.
- Also includes the estimated or measured volume of rock fragments or boulders that occur
  on the surface or in subsurface deposits mixed with soil, sand, or gravel when their size,
  number, or location prevents them from being handled in a manner normal to Class 10
  excavation.

#### C. Class 13 Excavation:

- Class 13 excavation includes all materials listed under the definitions of Classes 10 and 12, and any other material encountered, regardless of its nature.
- 2. This classification covers work commonly referred to as "unclassified excavation."
- 3. The contract documents will specify the limits for Class 13 excavation. Excavation within these limits will not be classified as Class 10 or Class 12 excavation.

### D. Unsuitable or Unstable Materials:

- 1. Material encountered during excavation above or below grade that does not meet the suitable soil requirements in Section 2010, 2.03.
- 2. Rubbish and debris, including trees, stumps, waste construction materials, scrap metals, and other materials that cannot be buried or used for backfill or topsoil.
- 3. Moisture content does not determine suitability of materials.
- **E. Borrow:** Unless otherwise provided in the contract documents, when the quantity of fill material required is not available within the limits of the project cross-sections or specific borrow areas as indicated, the Contractor should make up the deficiency from borrow areas provided by the Engineer, or furnish equivalent material from other borrow areas.

# 2.03 SUITABLE EMBANKMENT MATERIALS

Meet the following requirements for all soils provided for the construction of embankments:

- Density of 95 pcf or greater according to ASTM D 698 or AASHTO T 99 (Standard Proctor Density).
- B. AASHTO M 145 group index of less than 30.
- C. Liquid limit (LL) less than 50.
- Soils not meeting these requirements are considered unsuitable soils, regardless of classification.
- E. For soils to be placed below water, use clean granular material.

### 2.04 FOUNDATION MATERIALS

### A. Select Subgrade Materials:

- 1. All soils required for select subgrade materials must be approved by the Engineer. Approval of materials and their use will be based on AASHTO M 145.
  - a. Cohesive soils must meet all of the following requirements:
    - 1) 45% or less silt size fraction.
    - Density of 110 pcf or greater according to ASTM D 698 or AASHTO T 99 (Standard Proctor Density).
    - 3) Plasticity index greater than 10.
    - 4) A-6 or A-7-6 soils of glacial origin.
  - b. Granular soils must meet all of the following requirements:
    - Density of 110 pcf or greater according to ASTM D 698 or AASHTO T 99 (Standard Proctor Density).
    - 2) 15% or less silt and clay.
    - 3) Plasticity index of 3 or less.
    - 4) A-1, A-2, or A-3 (0).
- 2. Crushed stone, crushed PCC, crushed composite pavement, or RAP; mixtures of gravel, sand, and soil; or uniformly-blended combinations of the above; as approved by the Engineer.
- 3. The Engineer may authorize a change in select subgrade materials subject to materials available locally at time of construction.

### B. Granular Stabilization Materials:

1. Clean, crushed stone or crushed concrete, with the following gradation:

Sieve	Percent Passing		
2 1/2"			
2"	90 to 100		
1 1/2"	35 to 70 0 to 20		
1"			
1/2"	0 to 5		

2. The Engineer may authorize a change in gradation, subject to materials available locally at time of construction.

## C. Subgrade Treatment:

- 1. Cement: Meet the requirements of AASHTO M 85 for portland cement.
- 2. Asphalt: Meet the requirements of AASHTO M 140.
- Fly ash: Provide Class C meeting the requirements of ASTM C 618 with a minimum of 22% CaO; the Loss of Ignition requirements in Table 1 will not apply. Approval of source required.
- **4. Lime:** Hydrated lime should meet requirements of ASTM C 207, Type N or AASHTO M 216, and others.

# 2.04 FOUNDATION MATERIALS (Continued)

## 5. Geogrid:

a. Rectangular or Square: Use an integrally-formed grid structure manufactured of a stress-resistant polypropylene material. Use Type 1 geogrid, unless Type 2 is specified. Meet the following minimum physical properties:

Table 2010.02: Geogrid (Rectangular or Square)

Property	Test Method	Units	Type 1 <sup>1</sup>	Type 2
Aperture stability modulus at 20 kg-cm	Kinney <sup>2</sup> - 01	kg-cm/deg	3.2	6.5
Minimum true initial modulus in use				
Machine direction (MD)	ACTM D CCC7	lb/ft	15,080	32,890
Cross Machine direction (CMD)	ASTM D 6637		20,560	44,725
Tensile strength, 2% strain				
MD	ACTM D CCC7	lb/ft	270	410
CMD	ASTM D 6637		380	590
Junction efficiency	GRI-GG2-87	%	93	93
Flexural rigidity	ASTM D 1388	mg-cm	250,000	750,000
Aperture size				
Minimum	NI/A	in	0.5	0.5
Maximum	N/A	in.	2.0	2.0

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Geogrids meeting the requirements of Iowa DOT Article 4196.01, B and Materials I.M. 496.01 will be acceptable.

**b. Triangular:** Use punched and drawn polypropylene that is oriented in three substantially equilateral directions. Meet the following minimum physical properties:

Table 2010.03: Geogrid (Triangular)

Property	Test Method	Units	Type 3	Type 4
Aperture stability modulus at 5 kg-cm	Kinney <sup>1</sup> - 01	kg-cm/deg	3.0	3.6
Resistance to loss of load capacity				
Chemical resistance	EPA 9090 Immersion	%	90-100	90-100
Ultra-violet light and weathering (500 hrs)	ASTM D 4355			
Junction efficiency	GRI-GG2-87 GRI-GG1-87	% of ultimate tensile strength	93	93
Radial stiffness	ASTM D 6637	lb/ft @ 0.5% strain	15,000	20,000
Rib Patch				
Longitudinal	N/A	in.	1.5-1.75	1.5-1.75
Diagonal	IN/A			
Mid-rib depth	N/A	in.	0.04-0.06	0.05-0.08
Mid-rib width	N/A	in.	0.035-0.05	0.035-0.055

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Dr. Thomas C. Kinney, P.E. and US Army Corps of Engineers.

**6. Geotextiles:** Use a woven or non-woven permeable fabric, manufactured of polymer fibers, meeting the requirements of ASTM D 4439.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Dr. Thomas C. Kinney, P.E. and US Army Corps of Engineers.

## 2.04 FOUNDATION MATERIALS (Continued)

### D. Subbase:

## 1. Special Backfill:

- a. Comply with Iowa DOT Specifications Section 4132. The quality requirements of Iowa DOT Materials I.M. 210 for recycled pavements are waived.
- b. The Engineer may authorize a change in gradation subject to materials available locally at time of construction.

## 2. Granular Subbase:

- a. Comply with Iowa DOT Specifications Section 4121.
- b. The Engineer may authorize a change in gradation subject to materials available locally at time of construction.

### 3. Modified Subbase:

- a. Comply with Iowa DOT Specifications Section 4123.
- b. The Engineer may authorize a change in gradation, subject to materials available locally at time of construction.

### PART 3 - EXECUTION

### 3.01 CLEARING AND GRUBBING

A. Notification: Notify the Engineer prior to start of clearing and grubbing activities.

## B. Tree Cutting:

- 1. October 1 through March 31: No restrictions on tree cutting.
- 2. April 1 through September 30: Cut trees only after authorized by the Engineer and upon receiving a copy of the Determination of Effect indicating no affect to threatened or endangered species is expected within the work area.

## C. Removal: Remove the following items:

- Trees and stumps, including roots, to a depth of at least 12 inches. Place backfill to fill the hole.
- 2. Logs and downed timber.
- 3. Hedge rows, brush, field fence, and agricultural products.
- 4. Vegetation and rubbish.
- 5. Other objectionable materials.
- D. Disposal: Material from clearing and grubbing may be removed according to lowa Code 335 and must meet local ordinances.
  - 1. Process by chipping logs, downed timber, or brush for mulching material; or salvage logs and downed timber for firewood.
  - 2. Other vegetation, including corn stubble, may be disked into the existing soil if approved by the Engineer.
  - 3. Haul vegetative materials from clearing and grubbing that are not handled on the project to a yard waste disposal site.
  - 4. Remove field fence and other non-vegetative materials from the project.

## 3.02 STRIPPING, SALVAGING, AND SPREADING TOPSOIL

## A. Stripping and Salvaging Topsoil:

- Mow all weeds, grass, and growing crops or other herbaceous vegetation close to the ground and remove from the site. Shred sod by shallow plowing or blading and thorough disking. Thoroughly shred to allow the soil to be easily spread in a thin layer over areas to be covered. If allowed by the Engineer, herbicides may be applied, and vegetation may be incorporated into the topsoil.
- 2. Remove an adequate amount of topsoil from the upper 12 inches of existing on-site topsoil to allow finish grading with a finished grade of 8 inches of salvaged or amended topsoil. The topsoil may be moved directly to an area where it is to be used, or may be stockpiled for future use.

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# 3.02 STRIPPING, SALVAGING, AND SPREADING TOPSOIL (Continued)

## B. Preparation for Topsoil Placement:

- 1. Finish excavation and embankment work according to the specified grades and cross-sections; grade and slope all surfaces to drain away from buildings and prevent ponding. Conform to the grading plan within ± 2 inches.
- 2. Loosen surface to a minimum depth of 4 inches to reduce compaction.

# C. Topsoil Spreading and Finish Grading:

- Place the topsoil after all grading and trenching activities in the area have been completed.
- 2. Place topsoil at least 8 inches deep; smooth and finished grade according to the contract documents. If topsoil is being amended with compost, thoroughly blend compost with onsite topsoil at the rate specified in Section 2010, 2.01.
- 3. After finish grading the topsoil, remove clods, lumps, roots, litter, other undesirable material, or stones larger than 1 inch (1/2 inch for turfgrass).

### 3.03 EXCAVATION

A. Notification: Notify the Engineer prior to start of excavation activities.

### B. Pavement Removal:

- 1. Cut surface pavement to full depth as required, and at designated removal lines.
- 2. Remove all pavement materials.
  - a. If specified in the contract documents or allowed by the Engineer, process for re-use.
  - b. Dispose of excess material as follows:
    - 1) Use as unsuitable soil according to this section.
    - 2) If specified in the contract documents, deliver and stockpile at a site designated by the Engineer.
    - 3) Otherwise, properly dispose of off-site.
- Remove pavement material broken or damaged by the Contractor beyond designated removal lines to new line designated by the Engineer, and replaced at the Contractor's expense.
- 4. Protect subgrade beneath existing pavement removal areas.
- **C.** Excavation: Perform Class 10, 12, or 13 grading, as specified in the contract documents, to the prescribed grade.

## D. Shaping of Borrows:

- Ensure that borrow areas provided by the Contractor are regular in cross-section to allow accurate measurement.
- 2. Ensure that care is taken to blend to natural land forms and avoid unnecessary damage to the land.
- 3. Do not divert natural drainage of surface water onto adjoining owners, and be diligent in draining the surface water in its natural course or channel.
- 4. Complete excavation in a way consistent with the existing natural drainage conditions.

## 3.03 EXCAVATION (Continued)

## E. Drainage:

- 1. Provide temporary drainage facilities to prevent damage to public or private interests when necessary to interrupt natural drainage or flow of artificial drains.
- 2. Restore original drainage as soon as work allows.
- 3. The Contractor is responsible for damage resulting from their neglect to provide erosion control or artificial drainage.

### F. Unsuitable or Unstable Materials:

- 1. Remove unsuitable or unstable materials to a depth specified in the contract documents, or as directed by the Engineer.
- 2. The Engineer will determine the need for and type of backfill material, including select soil or granular subbase.
- 3. Remove all soft areas. Replace with approved materials.
- 4. If subbase materials are used, provide weight tickets at the time of delivery.
- 5. Dispose of unsuitable or unstable materials according to the requirements in this section.
- G. Removal of Boulders: Remove all boulders with a minimum diameter of 6 inches.

### H. Rock Excavation:

- When excavation to the subgrade elevation results in a surface consisting of loose or solid rock:
  - a. Excavate 1 foot below the finished subgrade elevation.
  - b. Construct subgrade with suitable material.
  - c. Conduct operations so the Engineer is given the opportunity to measure crosssection before placement of subgrade material.
- 2. When pre-splitting of rock cuts is necessary, the limits of the area and the procedure used will be subject to the approval of the Engineer.
- 3. Dispose of rocks and boulders 6 inches in diameter and greater off-site.
- I. Removal or Filling of Pipe Culverts, Pipes, and Conduits: Remove, plug, and/or fill with flowable mortar, as directed by the Engineer.

### 3.04 EMBANKMENT CONSTRUCTION

A. Notification: Notify the Engineer prior to start of embankment activities.

## B. Site Preparation:

- 1. Remove all ground cover from the area.
- 2. When an embankment is placed on or against an existing slope that is steeper than 3:1 and is more than 10 feet high, cut the slope into steps as the construction of the new embankment progresses. The steps should ensure that all sod or other potential sliding surfaces are removed. Cut each step or series of steps to approximate horizontal planes which have vertical slope dimensions of at least 3 feet.

## 3.04 EMBANKMENT CONSTRUCTION (Continued)

## C. Depositing Embankment Material:

- Except for rock fills and granular blankets, deposit embankment material in horizontal layers no greater than 8 inches in loose thickness. Do not incorporate vegetative materials in embankments. If some otherwise suitable soil contains small amounts of vegetative materials, such soils may be deposited outside of the shoulder line, within the outer 3 feet of the embankment.
- When the width at the attained height is 30 feet or more, divide the area upon which the layer is to be placed into separate and distinct dump areas, having widths of at least 15 feet. If hauling equipment is operated within a dump area, cover the area with at least one passage of a tandem-axle disk, or two passages with a single-axle disk, prior to compaction.
- 3. Keep hauling equipment off dump areas of embankments 36 feet or more in width during compaction operations. Within 36 feet of a bridge or other limiting structure, or where the width of the embankment is less than 36 feet at the attained height, empty hauling units may travel on the dump area during compaction operations, as necessary to pass loaded hauling units. If the design width of the embankment is less than 30 feet at the attained height, hauling units will be allowed to travel through areas where compaction operations are in progress. When any hauling equipment is allowed to pass through compaction operations, do not require water, disking, and compacting equipment to deviate from their intended paths.
- 4. Deposit the material over the dump area as a separate and distinct operation. If the material, as deposited, contains an average of more than one lump per square yard, large enough to have at least one dimension greater than 12 inches, cover the area by at least one passage of a tandem-axle disk, or two passages of a single-axle disk. Use a disk that is designed and operated to cut and stir to the full depth of the layer.
- 5. After depositing and disking, if required, smooth the material to a uniform depth with a suitable motor patrol, bulldozer, or self-propelled sheepsfoot-type roller with a blade attachment. In addition to the initial smoothing operation, continue this smoothing and leveling of the lift during compaction, as necessary to provide a surface area free from ruts and other objectionable irregularities.

Use the self-propelled sheepsfoot-type roller (meeting the requirements of lowa DOT Article 2001.05) under the following conditions:

- a. Leveling must be done according to the prescribed rolling pattern.
- b. Compaction should be the primary function of the unit.
- c. Prevent spinning of the power drums.
- d. When, in the opinion of the Engineer, the unit cannot satisfactorily accomplish both leveling and rolling, use a separate dozer or motor patrol for the leveling operation prior to initiation of compaction.
- e. For embankments constructed primarily of sand or other granular material, the Contractor may substitute a pneumatic-tired roller meeting the requirements of Iowa DOT Article 2001.05.
- 6. Keep the outer portion of an embankment lower than its center, and wherever construction will be suspended for a period during which rain is likely to occur, roughen the surface to prevent erosion. This can be done by tracking, disking, or scarifying. Stones 6 inches and smaller in diameter may be placed in embankments, but distributed to avoid pockets. No stones larger than 3 inches may be placed within 1 foot of the finished subgrade elevation.

## 3.04 EMBANKMENT CONSTRUCTION (Continued)

- D. Compaction with Moisture and Density Control: Compact with moisture and density control, unless Type A compaction is specified in the contract documents. See Section 2010, 3.09 for moisture and density requirements.
- **E. Type A Compaction:** When Type A compaction is specified in the contract documents, compact as follows:
  - 1. After the surface layer has been smoothed, and before material for the next layer is deposited on it, compact the layer with at least one passage of the sheepsfoot-type roller per inch of loose thickness of the layer, until the roller is supported entirely on its feet. The roller will be considered to be supported entirely on its feet when the tamping feet penetrate no more than 3 inches into an 8 inch lift or layer being compacted.
  - 2. Determine if moisture content of the material is excessive or suitable for satisfactory compaction.
    - a. Start rolling operations immediately after the smoothing operation, or delay them, and instead aerate the material in preparation for rolling.
    - b. Perform aeration and compaction operations without unnecessary delay.
    - c. Rolling operations made prior to any aeration operations for a lift will not be counted as any of the required coverages.
  - 3. If the material is dry to the extent that it will not likely be satisfactorily compacted by rolling, moisten the material.
    - The Engineer may order the material to be moistened uniformly before it is compacted.
    - b. The Engineer may authorize the use of water in the final finishing of the roadbed.
    - c. Delays from the ordering of moistening or drying will be at the Contractor's expense.
  - 4. The Contractor may substitute compaction with moisture and density control for Type A Compaction, providing all testing as required, at the Contractor's expense.

### 3.05 USE OF UNSUITABLE SOILS

Unsuitable soils are not allowed in the right-of-way, unless otherwise specified in the contract documents or allowed by the Engineer.

### 3.06 SUBGRADE PREPARATION

Shape and consolidate subgrade in preparation for the placement of pavement.

- A. Uniform Composition: Provide uniform composition of at least 12 inches below top of subgrade under new paving or subbase, plus 2 feet on each side. Use select subgrade materials unless granular stabilization materials or subgrade treatment is specified.
  - 1. Subgrade Compaction in Fill Sections:
    - a. Follow the compaction with moisture and density control requirements in Section 2010. 3.04.
    - b. Construct in two 6 inch lifts.
  - 2. Subgrade Compaction in Cut Sections:
    - a. Excavate and stockpile the top 6 inches of subgrade.
    - b. Scarify, mix, and re-compact the next 6 inches of subgrade.
    - c. Replace, mix, and compact the top 6 inches of subgrade.

## 3.06 SUBGRADE PREPARATION (Continued)

- 3. Remove stones over 3 inches from subgrade.
- Construct to elevation and cross-section such that, after rolling, surface will be above required subgrade elevation.

### B. Subgrade Stability:

- 1. Perform proof rolling with a truck loaded to the maximum single legal axle gross weight of 20,000 pounds or the maximum tandem axle gross weight of 34,000 pounds. Operate trucks at less than 10 mph. Make multiple passes for every lane. The subgrade will be considered to be unstable if, under the operation of the loaded truck, the surface shows yielding (soil wave in front of the loaded tires) or rutting of more than 2 inches, measured from the top to the bottom of the rut at the outside edges.
- If soft or yielding areas are located, remove unstable materials and replace with suitable foundation materials as approved by the Engineer, meeting Section 2010, 2.04.
   Compact subgrade materials in cut sections as required by the Engineer. If stabilization material is used, place and compact as required for subbase.
- **C. Final Subgrade:** Complete final subgrade by excavation to grade by use of steel-shod template supported on side forms, support rollers, or by use of an automatically-controlled subgrade excavating machine.
- **D. Subgrade Check:** Check subgrade elevation and grade by method approved by Engineer prior to paving.
- **E. Ruts**: If ruts or other objectionable irregularities form in subgrade during construction, reshape and re-roll subgrade before placing pavement. Fill ruts or other depressions with material similar to other subgrade material, and compact.

## 3.07 SUBGRADE TREATMENT

### A. Lime, Cement, Fly Ash, or Asphalt:

- Incorporate the subgrade treatment material uniformly during subgrade preparation to the depth and rate specified in the contract documents.
- 2. Place subgrade treatment in the areas specified in the contract documents for the width of the pavement, plus 2 feet on each side.

## B. Geogrid or Geotextiles:

- 1. Install according to manufacturer's recommendations, on top of the prepared subgrade.
- 2. Place in the areas specified in the contract documents for the width of the pavement, plus 2 feet on each side.

#### 3.08 SUBBASE

- A. Subgrade: Compact subgrade and shape smooth before subbase material is placed.
- **B.** Construction: Construct the specified type of subbase to the specified depth, plus 2 feet outside the pavement area.

### 3.08 SUBBASE (Continued)

C. Moisture and Density: Compact subbase and provide testing according to Section 2010, 3.09.

### D. Final Elevation:

- 1. Trim to the design elevation and shape to the final template with an automatically-controlled trimming machine. Excess material may be salvaged and spread for use on any other approved project location or operation.
- 2. Conform to the design profile and cross-section to the extent that no point is higher than the designated elevation, and no point is lower than 0.05 foot below the design elevation.
- 3. Ensure that the top 1 inch of the subbase is uniformly moist prior to paving.
- 4. Do not allow hauling equipment and other traffic on completed subbase.

### 3.09 FIELD QUALITY CONTROL

**A.** Compaction Testing: If it is specified in the contract documents that the Contractor will conduct compaction testing, use the services of an independent testing laboratory approved by the Engineer.

## B. Moisture Content and Density:

- 1. Ensure that moisture content falls within a range of optimum moisture to 4% above optimum moisture.
- 2. Compact cohesive soils to no less than 95% of maximum Standard Proctor Density; and cohesionless soils to no less than 70% of Relative Density.

### C. Testing:

 Lab Test: Determine laboratory density of material according to ASTM D 698 or AASHTO T 99 (Standard Proctor Density) or ASTM D 4253 and ASTM D 4254 (Maximum and Minimum Index Density for Cohesionless Soils). Provide at least one analysis for each material type used unless provided by the Engineer.

### 2. Field Test:

- Perform in-place field density and moisture testing according to ASTM D 2922 and ASTM D 3017 (nuclear) or ASTM D 1556 (sand cone) and ASTM D 2216 (moisture content).
- b. Frequency:
  - 1) Urban Section: Provide one test per lift per 150 feet. If section is less than 300 feet, perform at least two tests per lift.
  - 2) Rural Section: Provide one test for each 500 cubic yards of material placed, with at least two tests per lift.
- 3. Test only locations selected by the Engineer.
- 4. The Engineer may require additional testing if noncompliance or change in conditions occur.
- **D.** Test Failure: Rework, recompact, and retest as necessary until required compaction is achieved.

**END OF SECTION** 

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