#### CONSTRUCTION AGREEMENT BETWEEN SANTA ROSA COUNTY, FLORIDA AND ROBERSON UNDERGROUND UTILITY, LLC (Federal Funding)

THIS AGREEMENT is dated as of the \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_ in the year 2021 by and between Santa Rosa County, a political subdivision of the state of Florida ("Owner") and Roberson Underground Utility, LLC ("Contractor").

County and Contractor, in consideration of the mutual covenants hereinafter set forth, agree as follows:

#### ARTICLE 1. WORK.

Contractor shall complete all Work as specified or indicated in the Contract Documents. County as sole discretion on the assignment of such Work. The Work is generally described as follows:

#### **QUINTETTE ROAD EWP DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS**

#### ARTICLE 2. CONTRACT TIMES.

- 2.1 The Work will be substantially completed within 60 calendar days, and completed and ready for final payment within 90 calendar days after the date when the Contract Times commence to run.
- 2.2 Liquidated Damages. County and Contractor recognize that time is of the essence of this Agreement and that the County will suffer financial loss if the Work is not completed within the times specified in paragraph 2.1 above, plus any extensions thereof allowed by the County. They also recognize the delays, expense and difficulties involved in proving the actual loss suffered by the County if the Work is not completed on time. Accordingly, instead of requiring of such proof, Owner and Contractor agree that as liquidated damages for delay (but not as a penalty) Contractor shall pay Owner the amount specified in Paragraph 2.3. for each day that expires after the time specified in paragraph 2.1 for Substantial Completion until the Work is substantially complete. After Substantial Completion, if Contractor shall neglect, refuse, or fail to complete the remaining Work within the time specified in paragraph 2.1 for completion and readiness for final payment or any proper extension thereof granted by Owner, Contractor shall pay Owner the amount specified in Paragraph 2.3. for each day that expires after the time specified in paragraph 2.1 for completion and readiness for final payment. The Contractor hereby expressly waives and relinquishes any right which it may have to seek to characterize the liquidated damages as a penalty, which the parties agree represents a fair and reasonable estimate of the Owner's actual damages at the time of contracting if the Contractor fails to substantially complete the Work in a timely manner.
- 2.3 Liquidated Damages are based upon the original contract amount, as established by Santa Rosa County. Liquidated damages, based upon the original contract amount of \$243,669.49, will be One Thousand Dollars Forty-Five (\$1,045.00) per calendar day.

-		Consecutive Calendar	
Phase	Begin Date	Days to Complete	Liquidated Damages
1	Notice to Proceed	10	Daily Rate as Referenced on ITB 21-063
Entire Project		60	Daily Rate as Referenced on ITB 21-063

LIQUIDATED DAMAGES SCHEDULE

Standard Form of Agreement

#### ARTICLE 3. TERM AND RENEWAL.

The term of this Agreement shall begin upon the issuance of the Notice to Proceed and shall continue be completed within 60 Calendar days, subject to the County's ability to terminate in accordance with Article 10 of this Agreement. The terms of Article 20 entitled "Indemnification and Waiver of Liability" shall survive termination of this Agreement.

#### ARTICLE 4. CONTRACT PRICE.

County shall pay Contractor for completion of the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents an amount in current funds equal to the sum of the established unit price for each separately identified item of Unit Price Work times the estimated quantity of that item as indicated in the Bid Schedule submitted in the Bid Form. The cost of this project is not to exceed an annual amount of \$243,669.49 as per the attached Contractor bid.

Estimated quantities are not guaranteed, and determinations of actual quantities and classification are to be made by Engineer.

#### ARTICLE 5. PAYMENT PROCEDURES

Contractor shall submit Application for Payment in accordance with Contract. Applications for Payment will be processed by Engineer as provided in the contract.

5.1 *Progress Payments; Retainage.* County shall make progress payments on account of the Contract Price on the basis of Contractor's Applications for Payment as recommended by Engineer, on or about the fifteenth (15th) day of each month during construction as provided in paragraph 4.1.1. All such payments will be measured based on the number of units completed. Payments to the Contractor shall in no way imply approval or acceptance of Contractor's work.

- 5.1.1 Contractor may be paid 95 % of Work completed (with the balance being retainage), less the aggregate of payments previously made and less such amounts as Engineer shall determine, or County may withhold. Contractor may be paid 95 % (with the balance being retainage) of materials and equipment not incorporated in the Work (but delivered, suitably stored and accompanied by documentation satisfactory to County).
- 5.1.2 Retainage requirements may be changed to reflect a proposed change to state regulatory statutes.

5.2 *Final Payment*. Upon final completion and acceptance of the Work, County shall pay the remainder of the Contract Price as recommended by Engineer.

- 5.2.1 Contractor's acceptance of final payment shall constitute a full waiver of any and all claims by Contractor against the County arising out of this Agreement or otherwise relating to the Project, except those previously made in writing and identified by Contractor as unsettled at the time of the final Application for Payment. Neither the acceptance of the Work nor payment by the County shall be deemed to be a waiver of the County's right to enforce any obligations of the Contractor hereunder or to the recovery of damages for defective Work not discovered by the Engineer or the County at the time of final inspection.
- 5.3 Payments Withheld
- 5.3.1 The Engineer or the County may decline to approve any Applications for Payment, or portions thereof, because of subsequently discovered evidence or subsequent inspections. The Engineer or

the County may nullify the whole or any part of any inspections. The Engineer or the County may nullify the whole or any part of any approval for payment previously issued and the County may withhold any payments otherwise due Contractor under this Agreement or any other agreement between the County and the Contractor, to such extent as may be necessary in the County's opinion to protect it from loss because of:

5.3.1.1 Defective Work not remedied;

5.3.1.2 Third party claims filed or reasonable evidence indicating probable filing of such claims;

5.3.1.3 Failure of Contractor to make payment properly to subcontractors or for labor, materials or equipment;

5.3.1.4 Reasonable doubt that the Work can be completed for the unpaid balance of the Contract Amount;

5.3.1.5 Reasonable indication that the Work will not be completed within the Contract Time;

5.3.1.6 Unsatisfactory prosecution of the Work by the Contractor;

5.3.1.7 Failure to provide accurate and current "As-Builts"; or

5.3.1.8 Any other material breach of the Contract Documents.

5.3.2 If these conditions in Subsection 5.31 are not remedied or removed, the County may after three (3) calendar days written notice, rectify the same at Contractor's expense. The County also may offset against any sums due Contractor the amount of any liquidated or unliquidated obligations of Contractor to the County, whether relating to or arising out of his Agreement or any other agreement between Contractor and the County.

#### ARTICLE 6. CONTRACTOR'S REPRESENTATIONS.

In order to induce County to enter into this Agreement Contractor makes the following representations:

6.1 Contractor has examined and carefully studied the Contract Documents and the other related data identified in the Project Documents including "technical data."

6.2 Contractor has visited the site and become familiar with and is satisfied as to the general, local, and site conditions that may affect cost, progress, performance or furnishing of the Work.

6.3 Contractor is familiar with and is satisfied as to all federal, state, and local Laws and Regulations that may affect cost, progress, performance and furnishing of the Work.

6.4 Contractor has carefully studied all reports of explorations and tests of subsurface conditions at or contiguous to site and all drawings of physical conditions in or relating to existing surface or subsurface structures at or contiguous to the site (except Underground Facilities) which have been identified in the Bid documents. Contractor acknowledges that such reports and drawings are not Contract Documents and may not be complete for Contractor's purposes. Contractor acknowledges that County and Engineer do not assume responsibility for the accuracy or completeness of information and data shown, indicated in the Contract Documents with respect to Underground Facilities at, or contiguous to the site. Contractor has obtained and carefully studied (or assumes responsibility for having done so) all such additional supplementary examinations, investigations, explorations, tests, studies, and data concerning conditions (surface, subsurface, and Underground Facilities) at or contiguous to the site or otherwise which may affect cost, progress, performance, or furnishing of the Work or which relate to any aspect of the means, methods, techniques, sequences, and procedures of construction to be employed by Contractor and safety precautions, investigations, tests, studies, not consider that any additional examinations, investigations, tests, studies, or data are necessary for the performance and furnishing of the

Work at the Contract Price, within the Contract Times and in accordance with the other terms and conditions of the Contract Documents.

6.5 Contractor is aware of the general nature of work to be performed by County and others at the site that relates to the Work as indicated in the Contract Documents.

6.6. Contractor has correlated the information known to Contractor, information and observation obtained from visits to the site, reports, and drawings identified in the Contract Documents and all additional examinations, investigations, explorations, tests, studies, and data with the Contract Documents.

6.7. Contractor has given Engineer written notice of all conflicts, errors, ambiguities or discrepancies that Contractor has discovered in the Contract Documents and the written resolution thereof by Engineer is acceptable to Contractor, and the Contract Documents are generally sufficient to indicate and convey understanding of all terms and conditions for performance and furnishing of the Work.

#### ARTICLE 7. CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

The Contract Documents that comprise the entire agreement between County and Contractor concerning the Work consist of the following:

- 7.1 This Agreement
- 7.2 Exhibit A- ITB 21-063 and Contractor's Bid
- 7.3 Exhibit B-Insurance Requirements
- 7.4 Exhibit C- Civil Rights Clauses
- 7.5 Exhibit D- Scrutinized Contractors Certificate
- 7.6 Exhibit E-Special Conditions Additional Federal Requirements
- 7.7 Exhibit F-USDA Grant Agreement
- 7.8 Any other documents necessary to clarify and memorialize the agreement between Contractor and County.

ARTICLE 8. PUBLIC RECORDS

Any record created by either party in accordance with this Contract shall be retained and maintained in accordance with the public records law, Florida Statutes, Chapter 119.

IF THE CONTRACTOR HAS QUESTIONS REGARDING THE APPLICATION OF CHAPTER 119, FLORIDA STATUTES, TO THE CONTRACTOR'S DUTY TO PROVIDE PUBLIC RECORDS RELATING TO THIS CONTRACT, CONTACT THE CUSTODIAN OF PUBLIC RECORDS,WANDA PITTS, AT (850) 963-1925, <u>wandap@santarosa.fl.gocv</u>, 6945 Caroline Street, Milton, FL 32570.

Contractor must comply with the public records laws, Florida Statute chapter 119, specifically Contractor

must:

- 8.1 Keep and maintain public records required by the County to perform the service.
- 8.2 Upon request from the County's custodian of public records, provide the County with a copy of the requested records or allow the records to be inspected or copied within a reasonable time at a cost that does not exceed the cost provided in chapter 119 Florida Statutes or as otherwise provided by law.
- 8.3 Ensure that public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements are not disclosed except as authorized by law for the duration of the contract term and following completion of the contract if the consultant does not transfer the records to the County.
- 8.4 Upon completion of the contract, transfer, at no cost, to the County all public records in possession of the Contractor or keep and maintain public records required by the County to perform the service. If the Contractor transfers all public records to the County upon completion of the contract, the Contractor shall destroy any duplicate public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements. If the Contractor keeps and maintains public records upon completion of the contract, the Contractor shall meet all applicable requirements for retaining the public records. All records stored electronically must be provided to the County, upon the request from the County's custodian of public records, in a format that is compatible with the information technology systems of the County.

#### **ARTICLE 9. AUDIT**

The County and/or its designee shall have the right from time to time at its sole expense to audit the compliance by the Contractor with the terms, conditions, obligations, limitations, restrictions, and requirements of this Contract and such right shall extend for a period of three (3) years after termination of this Contract.

#### ARTICLE 10. TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE

County may at any time and for any reason terminate Contractor's services and work at County's convenience. Upon receipt of such notice, Contractor shall, unless the notice directs otherwise, immediately discontinue the work and placing of orders for materials, facilities and supplies in connection with the performance of this Agreement.

Upon such termination, Contractor shall be entitled to payment only as follows: (1) the actual cost of the work completed in conformity with this Agreement; plus, (2) such other costs actually incurred by Contractor as are permitted by the Contract and approved by County; (3) plus ten percent (10%) of the cost of the work referred to in subparagraph (1) above for overhead and profit. There shall be deducted from such sums as provided in this subparagraph the amount of any payments made to Contractor prior to the date of the termination of this Agreement. Contractor shall not be entitled to any claim or claim of lien against County for any additional compensation or damages in the event of such termination and payment. Further, County may terminate this contract immediately for failure of contractor to comply with Chapter 119, Florida Statutes.

#### ARTICLE 11. VIOLATIONS OF CHAPTER 119 FLORIDA STATUTES

The County reserves the right to terminate this agreement immediately for failure of Contractor to adhere to the requirements of Florida Statutes Chapter 119.

#### ARTICLE 12. MISCELLANEOUS.

- 12.1 Terms used in this Agreement which are defined in the Bid documents.
- 12.2 No assignment by a Party of any rights under or interests in the Contract Documents will be binding on another Party hereto without the written consent of the Party sought to be bound; and, specifically, but without limitation, moneys that may become due and moneys that are due may not be assigned without such consent (except to the extent that the effect of this restriction may be limited by law), and unless specifically stated to the contrary in any written consent to an assignment, no assignment will release or discharge the assignor from any duty or responsibility under the Contract Documents.
- 12.3 County and Contractor each binds itself, its partners, successors, assigns and legal representatives to the other Party, its partners, successors, assigns and legal representatives in respect to all covenants, agreements, and obligations contained in the Contract Documents.
- 12.4 Any provisions or part of the Contract Documents held to be void or unenforceable under any Law or Regulation shall be deemed stricken, and all remaining provisions shall continue to be valid and binding upon County and Contractor, who agree that the Contract Documents shall be reformed to replace such stricken provision or part thereof with a valid and enforceable provision that comes as close as possible to expressing the intention of the stricken provision
- 12.5 All documents prepared by the Contractor pursuant to this Agreement and related Services to this Agreement are intended and represented for the Ownership of the County only. Any other use by Contractor or other parties shall be approved in writing by the County. If requested, Contractor shall deliver the documents to the County within fifteen (15) calendar days.

# ARTICLE 13. GOVERNING LAW, VENUE AND WAIVER OF JURY TRIAL.

This Agreement shall be interpreted and construed in accordance with and governed by the laws of the State of Florida. All parties agree and accept that jurisdiction of any dispute or controversy arising out of this Agreement, and any action involving the enforcement or interpretation of any rights hereunder shall be brought exclusively in the 1<sup>st</sup> Judicial Circuit in and for Santa Rosa County, Florida, and venue for litigation arising out of this Agreement shall be exclusively in such state courts, forsaking any other jurisdiction which either party may claim by virtue of its residency or other jurisdictional device. In the event it becomes necessary for the County to file a lawsuit to enforce any term or provision under this Agreement, then the County shall be entitled to its costs and attorney's fees at the pretrial, trial and appellate levels. BY ENTERING INTO THIS AGREEMENT, CONTRACTOR AND COUNTY HEREBY EXPRESSLY WAIVE ANY RIGHTS EITHER PARTY MAY HAVE TO A TRIAL BY JURY OF ANY CIVIL LITIGATION RELATED TO THIS AGREEMENT. Nothing in this Agreement is intended to serve as a waiver of sovereign immunity, or of any other immunity, defense, or privilege enjoyed by the County pursuant to Section 768.28, Florida Statutes.

#### ARTICLE 14. CIVIL RIGHTS.

The Contractor agrees to comply with pertinent statutes, Executive Orders and such rules as are promulgated to ensure that no person shall, on the grounds of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability be excluded from participating in any activity conducted with or benefiting from Federal assistance. This provision binds the Contractor and subcontractors from the bid solicitation period through the completion of the contract. This provision is in addition to that required by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

# ARTICLE 15. COMPLIANCE WITH NONDISCRIMINATION REQUIREMENTS.

During the performance of this Agreement, the Contractor, for itself, its assignees, and successors in interest, agrees as follows:

a. <u>Compliance with Regulations</u>: The Contractor will comply with the Title VI List of Pertinent Nondiscrimination Acts and Authorities, as they may be amended from time to time, which are herein incorporated and attached hereto as Attachment "B".

b. <u>Nondiscrimination</u>: The Contractor, with regard to the Work performed by it during the Agreement, will not discriminate on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in the selection and retention of subcontractors, including procurements of materials and leases of equipment. The Contractor will not participate directly or indirectly in the discrimination prohibited by the Nondiscrimination Acts and Authorities, including employment practices when the contract covers any activity, project, or program set forth in Appendix B of 49 CFR part 21.

c. <u>Solicitations for Subcontracts, including Procurements of Materials and Equipment</u>: In all solicitations, either by competitive bidding or negotiation made by the Contractor for work to be performed under a subcontract, including procurements of materials, or leases of equipment, each potential subcontractor or supplier will be notified by the Contractor of the Contractor's obligations under this contract and the Nondiscrimination Acts and Authorities on the grounds of race, color, or national origin.

d. <u>Information and Reports</u>: The Contractor will provide all information and reports required by the Acts, the Regulations, and directives issued pursuant thereto and will permit access to its books, records, accounts, other sources of information, and its facilities as may be determined by the County or other governmental entity to be pertinent to ascertain compliance with such Nondiscrimination Acts and Authorities and instructions. Where any information required of a contractor is in the exclusive possession of another who fails or refuses to furnish the information, the Contractor will so certify to the County or the other governmental entity, as appropriate, and will set forth what efforts it has made to obtain the information.

e. <u>Sanctions for Noncompliance</u>: In the event of the Contractor's noncompliance with the non-discrimination provisions of this contract, the County will impose such contract sanctions as it or another applicable State or Federal governmental entity may determine to be appropriate, including, but not limited to:

a. Withholding payments to the Contractor under the Agreement until the Contractor complies; and/or

b. Cancelling, terminating, or suspending the Agreement, in whole or in part.

f. Incorporation of Provisions: The Contractor will include the provisions of Article 7, Subsections A-E in every subcontract, including procurements of materials and leases of equipment, unless exempt by the Acts, the Regulations, and directives issued pursuant thereto. The Contractor will take action with respect to any subcontract or procurement as the County may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions including sanctions for noncompliance. Provided that if the Contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with litigation by a subcontractor, or supplier because of such direction, the Contractor may request the County to enter into any litigation to protect the interests of the County. In addition, the Contractor may request the United States to enter into the litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

#### **ARTICLE 16. COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS.**

Contractor shall secure any and all permits, licenses and approvals that may be required in order to perform the Services, shall exercise full and complete authority over Contractor's personnel, shall comply with all workers' compensation, employer's liability and all other federal, state, county, and municipal laws, ordinances, rules and regulations required of an employer performing services such as the Services, and shall make all reports and remit all withholdings or other deductions from the compensation paid to Contractor's personnel as may be required by any federal, state, county, or municipal law, ordinance, rule, or regulation.

#### ARTICLE 17. CONFLICT OF INTEREST.

The Contractor covenants that it presently has no interest and shall not acquire any interest, directly or indirectly, which could conflict in any manner or degree with the performance of the Services. The Contractor further covenants that in the performance of this Agreement, no person having any such interest shall knowingly be employed by the Contractor. The Contractor guarantees that he/she has not offered or given to any member of, delegate to the Congress of the United States, any or part of this contract or to any benefit arising therefrom.

#### **ARTICLE 18. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR.**

Contractor enters into this Agreement as, and shall continue to be, an independent contractor. All Services shall be performed only by Contractor and Contractor's employees and subcontractors. Under no circumstances shall Contractor or any of Contractor's employees or subcontractors look to the County as his/her employer, or as partner, agent or principal. Neither Contractor, nor any of Contractor's employees and subcontractors, shall be entitled to any benefits accorded to the County's employees, including without limitation worker's compensation, disability insurance, vacation or sick pay. Contractor shall be responsible for providing, at Contractor's expense, and in Contractor's name, unemployment, disability, worker's compensation and other insurance as well as licenses and permits usual and necessary for conducting the services to be provided under this Agreement.

#### ARTICLE 19. THIRD PARTY BENEFICIARIES.

It is specifically agreed between the parties executing this Agreement that it is not intended by any of the provisions of any part of the Agreement to create in the public or any member thereof, a third party beneficiary under this Agreement, or to authorize anyone not a party to this Agreement to maintain a suit for personal injuries or property damage pursuant to the terms or provisions of this Agreement.

#### ARTICLE 20. INDEMNIFICATION AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY.

The Contractor agrees, to the fullest extent permitted by law, to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the County, its agents, representatives, officers, directors, officials and employees from and against claims, damages, losses and expenses (including but not limited to attorney's fees, court costs and costs of appellate proceedings) relating to, arising out of or resulting from the Contractor's negligent acts, errors, mistakes or omissions relating to the Work performed under this Agreement. The Contractor's duty to defend, hold harmless and indemnify the County its agents, representatives, officers, directors, officials and employees shall arise in connection with any claim, damage, loss or expense that is attributable to bodily injury; sickness; disease; death; or injury to impairment, or destruction of tangible property including loss of use resulting therefrom, caused by any negligent acts, errors, mistakes or omissions related to Services in the performance of this Agreement including any person for whose acts, errors, mistakes or omissions the

Contractor may be legally liable. The parties agree that TEN DOLLARS (\$10.00) represents specific consideration to the Contractor for the indemnification set forth herein.

The waiver by a party of any breach or default in performance shall not be deemed to constitute a waiver of any other or succeeding breach or default. The failure of the County to enforce any of the provisions hereof shall not be construed to be a waiver of the right of the County thereafter to enforce such provisions.

#### ARTICLE 21. TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS.

Contractor agrees to pay all sales, use, or other taxes, assessments and other similar charges when due now or in the future, required by any local, state or federal law, including but not limited to such taxes and assessments as may from time to time be imposed by the County in accordance with this Agreement. Contractor further agrees that it shall protect, reimburse and indemnify County from and assume all liability for its tax and assessment obligations under the terms of the Agreement.

The County is exempt from payment of Florida state sales and use taxes. The Contractor shall not be exempted from paying sales tax to its suppliers for materials used to fulfill contractual obligations with the County, nor is the Contractor authorized to use the County's tax exemption number in securing such materials.

The Contractor shall be responsible for payment of its own and its share of its employees' payroll, payroll taxes, and benefits with respect to this Agreement.

# ARTICLE 22. PROHIBITION AGAINST CONTRACTING WITH SCRUTINIZED COMPANIES.

Pursuant to Florida Statutes Section 215.4725, contracting with any entity that is listed on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List or that is engaged in the boycott of Israel is prohibited. Contractors must certify that the company is not participating in a boycott of Israel. Any contract for goods or services of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) or more shall be terminated at the County's option if it is discovered that the entity submitted false documents of certification, is listed on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List, the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List, or has been engaged in business operations in Cuba or Syria after July 1, 2018.

Any contract entered into or renewed after July 1, 2018 shall be terminated at the County's option if the company is listed on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List or engaged in the boycott of Israel. Contractors must submit the certification that is attached to this agreement as Attachment "C". Submitting a false certification shall be deemed a material breach of contract. The County shall provide notice, in writing, to the Contractor of the County's determination concerning the false certification. The Contractor shall have ninety (90) days following receipt of the notice to respond in writing and demonstrate that the determination was in error. If the Contractor does not demonstrate that the County's determination of false certification was made in error, then the County shall have the right to terminate the contract and seek civil remedies pursuant to Florida Statute Section 215.4725.

# ARTICLE 23. INCONSISTENCIES AND ENTIRE AGREEMENT.

If there is a conflict or inconsistency between any term, statement, requirement, or provision of any attachment attached, any document or events referred to herein, or any document incorporated into this Agreement, the term, statement, requirement, or provision contained in this Agreement shall prevail and be given superior effect and priority over any conflicting or inconsistent term, statement, requirement or

provision contained in any other document or attachment, including but not limited to Attachments listed in Article 7.

#### ARTICLE 24. SEVERABILITY.

If any term or condition of this Contract shall be deemed, by a court having appropriate jurisdiction, invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of the terms and conditions of this Contract shall remain in full force and effect. This Contract shall not be more strictly construed against either party hereto by reason of the fact that one party may have drafted or prepared any or all the terms and provisions hereof.

#### ARTICLE 25. ENTIRE AGREEMENT.

This Agreement and Exhibits A through F contains the entire agreement of the Parties, and may be amended, waived, changed, modified, extended or rescinded only by in writing signed by the Party against whom any such amendment, waiver, change, modification, extension and/or rescission is sought.

# ARTICLE 26. REPRESENTATION OF AUTHORITY TO CONTRACTOR/SIGNATORY.

The individual signing this Agreement on behalf of Contractor represents and warrants that he or she is duly authorized and has legal capacity to execute and deliver this Agreement. The signatory represents and warrants to the County that the execution and delivery of this Agreement and the performance of the Services and obligations hereunder have been duly authorized and that the Agreement is a valid and legal agreement binding on the Contractor and enforceable in accordance with its terms.

## **ARTICLE 27. PROCUREMENT OF RECOVERED MATERIALS**

Contractor and any subcontractors agree to comply with Section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, and the regulatory provisions of 40 CFR Part 247. In the performance of this contract and to the extent practicable, the Contractor and subcontractors are to use products containing the highest percentage of recovered materials for items designated by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) under 40 CFR Part 247 whenever:

- 1) The contract requires procurement of \$10,000 or more of a designated item during the fiscal year; or
- 2) The contractor has procured \$10,000 or more of a designated item using Federal funding during the previous fiscal year.

The list of EPA-designated items is available at www.epa.gov/smm/comprehensive-procurement-guidelines-construction-products.

Section 6002(c) establishes exceptions to the preference for recovery of EPA-designated products if the contractor can demonstrate the item is:

- a) Not reasonably available within a timeframe providing for compliance with the contract performance schedule;
- b) Fails to meet reasonable contract performance requirements; or
- c) Is only available at an unreasonable price.

#### **ARTICLE 28. DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION**

1. Contractor as part of the procurement response, Attachment "A", has submitted to the County a certification that Contractor and its principals, if applicable, are not presently debarred or suspended by any Federal department or agency from participating in this transaction. Contractor now agrees to verify, to the extent applicable, that for each lower tier subcontractor that exceeds \$25,000 as a "covered transaction" under the Services to be provided is not presently disbarred or otherwise disqualified from participating in the federally assisted services. The Contractor agrees to accomplish this verification by:

1. Checking the System for Award Management at website: <u>http://www.sam.gov.</u>

2. Collecting a certification statement similar to the Certification of Offerer/Bidder Regarding Debarment, above.

3. Inserting a clause or condition in the covered transaction with the lower tier contract.

# ARTICLE 29. MINORITY/WOMEN'S BUSINESS ENTERPRISES

Contractor must take all necessary affirmative steps to assure that minority businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms are used when possible, in accordance with 2 CFR 200.321. If subcontracts are to be let, prime contractor will require compliance by all sub-contractors. Information regarding certified M/WBE firms can be obtained from (the following list is not exhaustive):

- Florida Department of Management Services (Office of Supplier Diversity);
- Florida Department of Transportation;
- Minority Business Development Center in most large cities; and
- Local Government M/DBE programs in many large counties and cities.

# **ARTICLE 30. SPECIAL CONDITIONS – ADDITIONAL FEDERAL REQUIREMENTS.**

As some or all of the Services to be provided under this Agreement may be funded with federal funds, Contractor agrees to adhere to the required additional federal requirements set forth in Attachment "E" and incorporated by reference.

#### **ARTICLE 31. GRANT OR AGREEMENT REQUIREMENTS**

The County is in receipt of a grant or agreement with the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) attached as Exhibit F. Contractor agrees to comply with all the requirements of the grant agreement.

# ARTICLE 32. ACCESS TO RECORDS. THE FOLLOWING ACCESS TO RECORDS REQUIREMENTS APPLY TO THIS CONTRACT:

1. The Contractor agrees to provide the FEMA Administrator, the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their authorized access to any books, documents, papers, and records of the Contractor which are directly pertinent to this contract for the purposes of making audits, examinations, excerpts, and transcriptions.

2. The Contractor agrees to permit any of the foregoing parties to reproduce by any means whatsoever or to copy excerpts and transcriptions as reasonably needed.

3. The Contractor agrees to provide the FEMA Administrator or his authorized representatives access to construction or other work sites pertaining to the work being completed under the contract.

4. In compliance with the Disaster Recovery Act of 2018, the County and the Contractor acknowledge and agree that no language in this contract is intended to prohibit audits or internal reviews by the FEMA Administrator or the Comptroller General of the United States.

The contractor shall not use the DHS seal(s), logos, crests, or reproductions of flags or likenesses of DHS agency officials without specific FEMA pre-approval.

This is an acknowledgment that FEMA financial assistance will be used to fund all or a portion of the contract. The contractor will comply with all applicable Federal law, regulations, executive orders, FEMA policies, procedures, and directives.

The Federal Government is not a party to this contract and is not subject to any obligations or liabilities to the non-

Federal entity, contractor, or any other party pertaining to any matter resulting from the contract.

The Contractor acknowledges that 31 U.S.C. Chap. 38 (Administrative Remedies for False Claims and Statements) applies to the Contractor's actions pertaining to this contract.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, County, and Contractor have signed this Agreement in triplicate. One counterpart each has been delivered to County, Contractor, and Engineer. All portions of the Contract Documents have been signed, initialed or identified by County, and Contractor, or identified by Engineer on their behalf.

This Agreement will be effective on 9 December, 2021 (which is the Effective Date of the Agreement).

WITNESS: BY: Christy Baker, Owner Signature UIT CO ATTEST: SANTA ROSA COUNTY, FLORIDA BY Robert A. Bob" Cole, Chairman Donald C. Spencer, Clerk of Court Ikins, Vice Chair

Standard Form of Agreement

Exhibit A

# SANTA ROSA COUNTY, FLORIDA



# **ITB 21-063 Quintette Road EWP Drainage Improvements**

# October 2021

## OWNER: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS SANTA ROSA COUNTY, FLORIDA

SAM PARKER ROBERT A. "BOB" COLE JAMES CALKINS DAVE PIECH COLTEN WRIGHT -DISTRICT I -DISTRICT II -DISTRICT III -DISTRICT IV -DISTRICT V

# **SECTION I.** Invitation to Bid

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# SANTA ROSA COUNTY PROCUREMENT DEPARTMENT

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# **MEMORANDUM**

TO: Company Addressed DATE: September 24, 2021

FROM: Santa Rosa County Procurement Office

## SUBJECT: ITB 21-063 Quintette Road EWP Drainage Improvements

Notice is hereby given that the Santa Rosa County Board of County Commissioners will receive sealed bids from property licensed and qualified contractors for emergency watershed protection drainage improvements to Quintette Road, between Seven Mile Creek to the east and Renfroe Road to the west.

All bids must be in writing and delivered by hand, overnight courier service, or U.S. Mail to the Santa Rosa County Procurement Department, 6495 Caroline Street, Suite M, Milton, Florida 32570, and must be received by 10:00 a.m. on October 25, 2021, at which time will be publicly opened. Only bids received by the afore stated time and date will be considered. E-mailed proposal responses will be rejected. All bids shall be sealed and clearly labeled, "ITB 21-063 Quintette Road EWP Drainage Improvements". Please provide the original proposal, labeled "ORIGINAL" along with one (1) electronic file in OCR (readable) PDF format.

A pre-bid conference will be held on October 7, 2021, at 10:00 A.M. at the Santa Rosa County Engineering Conference Room, 6051 Old Bagdad Highway, Suite 300, Milton, Florida 32583. All interested parties are strongly encouraged to attend.

Specifications may be secured by download from the Santa Rosa County Website: https://www.santarosa.fl.gov/391/Procurement-Office "Bid Opportunities". Questions concerning this request should be directed to the Santa Rosa County Procurement Office in writing at bidinfo@santarosa.fl.gov prior to 12:00 p.m. on October 15, 2021.

Santa Rosa County Board of County Commissioners encourages all segments of the business community to participate in its procurement opportunities, including small businesses, minority/women owned businesses, and disadvantaged business enterprises. The Board does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, disability, sex, or age in the administration of contracts.

The Board of County Commissioners reserves the right to waive irregularities in bids, to reject any or all bids with or without cause, and to award the bid that it determines to be in the best interest of Santa Rosa County.

By order of the Board of County Commissioners of Santa Rosa, Florida

#### PRE-BID ACTIVITY

Except as provided in this section, respondents are prohibited from contacting or lobbying the County, County Administrator, Commissioners, County staff, and Review Committee members, or any other person authorized on behalf of the County related or involved with the solicitation. All inquiries on the scope of work, specifications, additional requirements, attachments, terms and general conditions or instructions, or any issue must be directed in writing, by US mail or email to: Santa Rosa County Procurement Office, 6495 Caroline Street, Suite L Milton Fl. 32570. Email; <u>Bidinfo@santarosa.fl.gov</u>.

All questions or inquiries must be received no later than the last day for questions stated in the ITB & Legal Notice. Any addenda or other modification to the bid documents will be issued by the County five (5) days prior to the date and time of bid closing, as written addenda. and will be posted to the Santa Rosa County website at https://www.santarosa.fl.gov keyword; Bids.

Such written addenda or modification shall be part of the bid documents and shall be binding upon each respondent. Each respondent is required to acknowledge receipt of any and all addenda in writing and submit with their bid. No respondent may rely upon any verbal modification or interpretation.

#### PROPOSED SCHEDULE

Invitation to Bid Published	September 25, 2021
Pre-Bid Conference;	October 7, 2021 @ 10:00 a.m.
Deadline for Questions	October 15, 2021 @ 12:00 p.m.
Bids Due	October 25, 2021 @ 10:00 a.m.

#### PREPARATION OF BID

A Bid form is included in these specifications. The Owner may consider as informal any bid on which there is an alteration of or departure from the Bid Form hereto attached. The respondent shall submit bids in accordance with the public notice.

All blanks in the bid documents shall be completed by printing in ink or by typewriter in both words and numbers with the amounts extended, totaled and the bid signed. A bid price shall be indicated for each section, bid item, alternative, adjustment unit price item, and unit price item listed therein, or the words "No Bid", "No Change", or "Not Applicable" entered. No changes shall be made to the phraseology of the form or in the items mentioned therein. In case of any discrepancy between the written amount and the numerical figures, the written amount shall govern. Any bid which contains any omissions, erasures, alterations, additions, irregularities of any kind, or items not called for which shall in any manner fail to conform to the conditions of public notice inviting bids may be rejected.

A bid submitted by a partnership shall be executed in the partnership name and signed by a partner (whose title must appear under the signature). The official address of the partnership shall be shown below the signature.

A bid submitted by a limited liability company shall be executed in the name of the firm by a member and accompanied by evidence of authority to sign. The state of formation of the firm and the official address of the firm must be shown below the signature.

A bid submitted by an individual shall show the respondent's name and official address.

A bid submitted by a joint venture shall be executed by each joint venture in the manner indicated on the bid form. The official address of the joint venture must be shown below the signature.

It is preferred that all signatures be in blue ink with the names type or printed below the signature. Santa Rosa County does not accept electronic signatures in bid submissions.

The bid shall contain an acknowledgement of receipt of all Addenda, the numbers of which shall be filled in on the form. The address and telephone # for communications regarding the bid shall be shown.

If the respondent is an out-of-state corporation, the bid shall contain evidence of respondent's authority and qualification to do business as an out-of-state corporation in the State of Florida. A state contractor license # for the State of Florida shall also be included on the bid form. Respondent shall be licensed in accordance with the requirements of Chapter 489, Florida Statutes.

The Bid shall be based upon the completion of the Work according to the drawings and specifications, together with all addenda thereto.

Bids must include lump sum pricing. Use Bid Form provided in this document. All proposed fees and costs must be broken down and disclosed in the bid.

#### SUBMITTAL OF BID

A bid shall be submitted no later than the date and time prescribed and at the place indicated in the advertisement or invitation to bid and shall be sealed and clearly labeled with the words "**ITB 21-063 Quintette Road EWP Drainage Improvements**", name of bidder and date and time of opening so as to guard against premature opening of any bid and shall be accompanied by the bid security and other required documents. It is the respondent's responsibility to assure that its bid is delivered at the proper time and place. Offers by email, facsimile, or telephone will NOT be accepted.

Each contractor's submittal shall include all the items listed on the Bidders Submission Checklist, in order, with the Checklist on the top of the submission.

## **INTEGRITY OF BID DOCUMENTS**

Respondents shall use the original Bid documents provided by the Santa Rosa County Procurement Office and enter information only in the spaces where a response is requested. Respondents may use an attachment to the Bid documents if sufficient space is not available. Any modifications or alterations to the original bid documents by the respondent, whether intentional or otherwise, will constitute grounds for rejection of a bid. Any such modification or alteration that a respondent wishes to propose must be clearly stated in the respondent's

response in the form of an addendum to the original bid documents.

#### WITHDRAWAL OF SUBMITTALS

Any Respondent may withdraw its Submittal, either personally or by written request, at any time prior to the scheduled time for opening Submittals.

#### **INTERPRETATION**

No oral interpretation will be made to any Bidder as to the meaning of the drawings or specifications. Every interpretation made to a Bidder will be in the form of an Addendum to the specifications. Addenda will be furnished to each Bidder, but it shall be the Bidder's responsibility to make inquiry as to Addenda issued. All such addenda shall become part of the contract and all Bidders shall be bound by such Addenda whether or not received by the Bidders.

## BIDS TO REMAIN SUBJECT TO ACCEPTANCE

All bids will remain subject to acceptance or rejection by Santa Rosa County for sixty (60) calendar days after the day of the bid opening. The County may, in its sole discretion, release any bid and return the bid security prior to the end of this period.

## CONDITIONAL & INCOMPLETE BIDS

Santa Rosa County specifically reserves the right to reject any conditional bid.

#### ADDITION/DELETION OF ITEM

The County reserves the right to add or delete any item from this bid or resulting contract when deemed to be in the County's best interest.

#### SPECIFICATION EXCEPTIONS

Specifications are based on the most current literature available. Respondent shall clearly list any change in the manufacturer's specifications which conflict with the bid specifications. Respondent must also explain any deviation from the bid specification in writing, as a foot note on the applicable bid page and enclose a copy of the manufacturer's specifications data detailing the changed item(s) with their bid. Failure of the respondent to comply with these provisions will result in respondents being held responsible for all costs required to bring the equipment in compliance with bid specifications.

## FAMILIARITY WITH LAWS

All applicable Federal and State laws, County and municipal ordinances, orders, rules and regulations of all authorities having jurisdiction over the project shall apply to the bid throughout, and they will be deemed to be included in the contract the same as though they were written in full therein.

# EXAMINATION OF DOCUMENTS AND SITE

Before submitting their proposal, the Bidder shall familiarize themselves with the nature and extent of the work and any local conditions that may in any manner affect the work to be done and the equipment, materials, and labor required. Bidder shall also examine all drawings, specifications, addenda and other Contract Documents to be thoroughly informed regarding any and all conditions and requirements that may in any manner affect the work to be performed under the contract.

## RIGHT TO REJECT PROPOSAL

The Owner reserves the right to waive informalities in bids to reject any or all bids with or without cause and accept the bid that in its judgment is in the best interest of the County.

# DISQUALIFICATION OF RESPONDENTS

Any of the following reasons may be considered as sufficient for the disqualification of a respondent and the rejection of its bid:

Submission of more than one proposal for the same work from an individual, firm or corporation under the same or different name. Evidence that the respondent has a financial interest in the firm of another respondent for the same work.

Evidence of collusion among respondents. Participants in such collusion will receive no recognition as respondents for any future work of the County until such participant has been reinstated as a qualified respondent.

Uncompleted work which in the judgment of the County might hinder or prevent the prompt completion of additional work if awarded.

Failure to pay or satisfactorily settle all bills due for labor and material on former contracts in force at the time of advertisement of proposals. Default under previous contract.

Listing of the respondent by any Local, State or Federal Government on its barred/suspended vendor list.

## DISCRIMINATION

An entity or affiliate who has been placed on the discriminatory vendor list may not submit a bid on a contract to provide goods or services to a public entity, may not submit a bid on a contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work, may not submit bids on leases of real property to a public entity, may not award or perform work as a contractor, supplier, subcontractor, or consultant under contract with any public entity, and may not transact business with any public entity.

# **REVIEW OF PROCUREMENT DOCUMENTS**

Per Florida Statute 119.071 (1) 2, sealed bids, proposals, or replies received by the County pursuant to a competitive solicitation are exempt from public disclosure until such time as

the County provides notice of an intended decision or until 30 days after opening the bids, proposals, or final replies, whichever is earlier.

# COMPLIANCE WITH FLORIDA STATUTE 119.0701

The Respondent shall comply with all the provisions of section 119.0701, Florida Statutes relating to the public records which requires, among other things, that the Respondent: (a) Keep and maintain public records; (b) Provide the public with access to public records on the same terms and conditions that the public agency would provide the records; (c) ensure that public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements are not disclosed except as authorized by law; and (d) Meet all requirements for retaining public records and transfer, at no cost, to the public agency all public records in possession of the respondent upon termination of the contract.

IF THE CONTRACTOR HAS QUESTIONS REGARDING THE APPLICATION OF CHAPTER 119, FLORIDA STATUTES, TO THE CONTRACTOR'S DUTY TO PROVIDE PUBLIC RECORDS RELATING TO THIS CONTRACT, CONTACT THE CUSTODIAN OF PUBLIC RECORDS AT (850) 983-1925, <u>wandap@santarosa.fl.gov</u>; 6495 CAROLINE STREET, SUITE C, MILTON, FLORIDA 32570.

# SUSPENSION OR TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE

The County may, at any time, without cause, order Respondent in writing to suspend, delay or interrupt the work in whole or in part for such period of time as the County may determine, or to terminate all or a portion of the Contract for the County's convenience. Upon such termination, the Contract Price earned to the date of termination shall be paid to Respondent, but Respondent waives any claim for damages, including loss of profits arising out of or related to the early termination. Those Contract provisions which by their nature survive final acceptance shall remain in full force and effect. If the County orders a suspension, the Contract price and Contract time may be adjusted for increases in the cost and time caused by suspension, delay or interruption. No adjustment shall be made to the extent that performance is, was or would have been so suspended, delayed or interrupted by reason for which Respondent is responsible; or that an equitable adjustment is made or denied under another provision of this Contract.

# FAILURE OF PERFORMANCE/DELIVERY

In case of default by the respondent, the County after due notice (oral or written) may procure the necessary supplies or services from other sources and hold the respondent responsible for difference in cost incurred. Continuous instances of default shall result in cancellation of the award and removal of the respondent from the bid list for duration of one (1) year, at the option of the County.

# AUDIT

If requested, respondent shall permit the County or an authorized, independent audit agency to inspect all data and records of respondent relating to its performance and its subcontracts under this bid from the date of the award through three (3) years after the expiration of contract.

#### NON-COLLUSION

Respondent certifies that it has entered into no agreement to commit a fraudulent, deceitful, unlawful or wrongful act, or any act which may result in an unfair advantage over other respondents. See Florida Statute 838.22.

## PUBLIC ENTITY CRIME INFORMATION

Pursuant to Florida Statute 287.133, a respondent may not be awarded or perform work as a contractor, supplier, subcontractor, or consultant under a contract with any public entity; and may not transact business with any public entity in excess of the threshold amount provided in s. 287.017 for CATEGORY TWO for a period of 36 months following the date of being placed on the convicted vendor list.

<u>Note</u>: For respondent's convenience, this certification form is enclosed and is made a part of the bid package.

## INVESTIGATION OF RESPONDENT

The County may make such investigations, as it deems necessary to determine the stability of the respondent to perform the work and that there is no conflict of interest as it relates to the project. The respondent shall furnish to the Owner any additional information and financial data for this purpose as the County may request.

## CONE OF SILENCE CLAUSE

The Santa Rosa County Board of County Commissioners has established a solicitation silence policy (Cone of Silence Clause) that prohibits oral and written communication regarding all formal solicitations for goods and services (formal bids, Request for Proposals, Requests for Qualifications) issued by the Board through the Procurement Office. The period commences from the date of advertisement until award of contract. All communications shall be directed to the Procurement Office.

<u>Note:</u> For respondent's convenience, this certification form is enclosed and is made a part of the bid package.

## TIME OF COMPLETION

The entire project shall be completed within **60 calendar days** after the Notice to Proceed date. The date of substantial completion of the work or designated portion thereof is the date certified by the Engineer when construction is sufficiently complete and approved in

accordance with the Contract Documents so the Owner can occupy or utilize the work for the use which it was intended.

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Liquidated damages will be established in the amount of **\$1,045.00 per calendar day** for each calendar day after completion date if the work is not substantially complete as certified by the Engineer.

Payment requests approved by the Engineer for work completed satisfactorily in accordance with the Contract Documents shall be reduced by a ten percent (10%) retainer. The ten percent (10%) retainer shall be retained by the Owner until final completion and acceptance of the work by the Engineer and Santa Rosa County, Florida.

#### EVALUATION OF BIDS AND AWARD OF CONTRACT

Santa Rosa County Staff will review all bids and will provide the recommendation to award to the Procurement Office, the County Administrator and the Board of County Commissioners. The County will award the bid to the responsive and responsible vendor(s) with the lowest responsive bid(s). The County reserves the right to award the bid to the respondent submitting a responsive bid with a resulting negotiated agreement which is most advantageous and in the best interest of the County, and to reject any and all bids or to waive any irregularity or technicality in bids received. Santa Rosa County shall be the sole judge of the bid and the resulting negotiated agreement that is in its best interest and its decision shall be final.

Santa Rosa County reserves its right to reject any or all Bids, including without limitation nonconforming, nonresponsive, unbalanced or conditional Bids. The County further reserves the right to reject the Bid of any Bidder whom it finds after reasonable inquiry and evaluation to not be responsible. In evaluating Bidders, the County may consider the qualifications of Bidders and may consider the qualifications and experience of Subcontractors, Suppliers, and other individuals or entities proposed for those portions of the Work for which the identity of Subcontractors, Suppliers, and other individuals or entities must be submitted with the Bid Form.

Santa Rosa County reserves the right to waive any informalities or reject any and all bids, in whole or part, to utilize any applicable state contracts in lieu of or in addition to this bid and to accept the bid that in its judgment will best serve the interest of the County.

Santa Rosa County reserves the right to reject any conditional bids and will normally reject those which made it impossible to determine the true amount of the bid. Each item must be bid separately, and no attempt is to be made to tie any item or items to any other item or items.

#### FORM OF AGREEMENT

The Contract form shall be provided by the Procurement Office. The successful contractor shall, within 10 days after receipt of the Notice of Award and the contract forms or documents, sign and deliver to the Procurement Office all required contract documents. The awarded contractor shall also deliver the policies of insurance or insurance certificate as required. All insurance documents shall be approved by Santa Rosa County Procurement Office before the successful contractor may proceed with the work.

Contractor is responsible for submitted along with their response any exceptions it has to the standard terms of contract, within the attached sample contract. Failure to submit exceptions at time of submittal of the response will be considered a waiver by bidder to contest or request exception to the contract provisions. Any exceptions to the standard terms of contract will be taken into consideration as part of the County's review of the response. The County reserves the right to reject bids depending on the substance of the exceptions.

#### **BID GUARANTEE**

Each bid shall be submitted on the bid form provided and must be accompanied by a Certified Check or Bid Bond in the amount of five percent (5%) of the Base Bid, and copies of all required licenses. Such Bid Bond or Check is given with the understanding and agreement that it guarantees:

(1) that the bidder will not withdraw his bid for a period of 60 days after the bids have been opened; and, (2) that if his bid is accepted, the Bidder will enter into the written Contract with Santa Rosa County and furnish the required Performance Bond Payment Bond Insurance Certificates, within 10 days after receipt of Notice of Award of his bid. Pursuant to Florida Statutes, Section 255.05, should the contract exceed \$100,000, the Contractor shall be required to execute and record performance and payment bonds. These bonds must state the name and principal business address of both the principal and the surety and a description of the project sufficient to identify it. In the event the bidder fails to comply with any of these conditions and requirements in whole or in part, the full amount of the bond or check shall be automatically forfeited to Santa Rosa County as damages on account of the default of the bidder.

#### SYSTEM OF AWARD MANAGEMENT

All respondents must be registered with the Federal System of Award Management (SAM) and be up to date on all registration requirements at the time of submitting a response to this Request for Bids. Failure to do so will result in respondent's submittal being deemed as unresponsive.

## PROCUREMENT OF RECOVERED MATERIALS

All respondents must comply with section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act. The requirements of Section 6002 include procuring only items designated in guidelines of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) at 40 CFR part 247 that contain the highest percentage of recovered materials

practicable, consistent with maintaining a satisfactory level of competition, where the purchase price of the item exceeds \$10,000 or the value of the quantity acquired during the preceding fiscal year exceeded \$10,000; procuring solid waste management services in a manner that maximizes energy and resource recovery; and establishing an affirmative procurement program for procurement of recovered materials identified in the EPA guidelines.

#### DOMESTIC PREFERENCE

Although the County has no local preference, in accordance with 2 C.F.R. 200.322, the County may consider preference for the use of products and materials produced in the United States.

## CONTRACT WITH THE ENEMY

In accordance with 2 C.F.R. 200.215, it is acknowledged that no services under this contract are to be performed outside the United states and its territories nor in support of a contingency operation in which members of the Armed Forces are actively engaged in hostilities.

#### MISC. FEDERAL REQUIREMENTS

All respondents should be aware that some federal funds may be utilized in the course of services being performed under this agreement, as such, respondent agrees that it shall adhere to all necessary federal regulations. Further, the respondent acknowledges that the Federal government is not a party to this agreement and is not subject to any obligations or liabilities to the non-federal entity, Respondent, or any other party pertaining any matter resulting from any award. Should a federal awarding agency require adherence to Supplemental Standard Terms and Conditions relevant to any award hereunder, such conditions will be included for review and approval as a condition any amendment or task order.

#### UNAUTHORIZED ALIENS/PATRIOT'S ACT

The knowing employment by respondent or its subcontractors of any alien not authorized to work by the immigration laws is prohibited and shall be a default of the contract. In the event that the respondent is notified or becomes aware of such default, the respondent shall take steps as are necessary to terminate said employment with 24 hours of notification or actual knowledge that an alien is being employed. Respondent's failure to take such steps as are necessary to terminate the employment of any said alien within 24 hours of notification or actual knowledge that an alien is being employed shall be grounds for immediate termination of the contract. Respondent shall take all commercially reasonable precautions to ensure that it and its subcontractors do not employ persons who are not authorized to work by the immigration laws.

#### PROTECTION OF RESIDENT WORKERS

The Santa Rosa County Board of County Commissioners actively supports the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA) which includes provisions addressing employment eligibility, employment verifications, and nondiscrimination. Under the INA, employers may hire only persons who may legally work in the United States (i.e., citizens and nationals of the U.S.) and aliens authorized to work in the U.S. The employer must verify the identity and

employment eligibility of anyone to be hired, which includes completing the Employment Eligibility Verifications. The respondent shall establish appropriate procedures and controls so no services or products under the Contract Documents will be performed or manufactured by any worker who is not legally eligible to perform such services or employment. Santa Rosa County reserves the right to request documentation showing compliance with the requirements.

Respondents doing construction business with Santa Rosa County are required to use the Federal Government Department of Homeland Security's website and use the E-Verify Employment Eligibility Verifications System to confirm eligibility of all employees to work in the United States.

# **SECTION III.**

# SANTA ROSA COUNTY DOCUMENTS AND FORMS

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# Santa Rosa County

# **Insurance Requirements**

# March 2021

**Workers' Compensation** – meet statutory limits in compliance with the Workers Compensation Laws of Florida. This policy must include Employer Liability with a limit of \$100,000 for each accident, \$500,000 disease policy limit and \$100,000 disease each employee limit.

**Commercial General Liability** – coverage shall provide minimum limits of liability of \$1,000,000 per occurrence, \$2,000,000 Aggregate, for bodily injury and property damage. This shall include coverage for:

- a. Premises/operations
- b. Products/complete operations
- c. Contractual liability
- d. Independent contractors

**Business Auto Liability** – coverage shall provide minimum limits \$500,000. Combined Single Limit for bodily injury and property damage. If Split limit coverage is provided Limits of 500,000 per person/500,000 per accident and 500,000 for property damage are required.

This shall include coverage for:

- a. Owned autos
- b. Hired autos
- c. Non-owned autos

Special Requirements:

1) Prior to execution of a contract or agreement, certificates of insurance will be produced that shall provide for the following:

a. Santa Rosa County shall be named as an additional insured on all coverages except workers' compensation.

b. Santa Rosa County will be given thirty (30) days' notice prior to cancellation or modification of any stipulated insurance.

2) It is the responsibility of the contractor to ensure that all subcontractors comply with all insurance requirements.

# *3)* It should be noted that these are minimum requirements which are subject to modification in response to specialized or high hazard operations.

In the event of unusual circumstances, the County Administrator, or his designee, may adjust these insurance requirements.

# Insurance Checklist

Proposal/Project Reference\_\_\_\_\_ITB 21-063 Quintette Road EWP Drainage Improvements\_\_\_\_\_

Required Coverage (Marked by "X")	Minimum Limits			
<ol> <li>Workers Compensation Proprietor/Executive Officers Exclusion not allowed</li> </ol>	\$100,000. Employers Liab. \$100,000. Accident –Disease \$500,000. Disease policy Limit			
<ol> <li>Commercial General Liability Including Premises operations-Products completed ops Contractual Liability and Personal and advertising Liability</li> </ol>	\$1,000,000. CSL \$2,000,000. Annual Aggregate			
<ol> <li>XAutomobile Liability – including Hired and Non- Owned</li> </ol>	\$1,000,000. CSL			
4 Professional Liability coverage	\$1,000,000. Per Occurrence			
5 Asbestos Removal Liability	\$2,000,000. Per Occurrence			
	\$1,000,000 Per Occurrence			
6Medical Malpractice	64 000 000 DI/DD 0			
7Garage Liability	\$1,000,000. BI/PD- Occurrence			
8Garage Keepers Liability	\$500,000. Comprehensive \$500,000. Collision			
9Inland Marine- Bailee's Insurance	\$			
10Moving and Rigging Floater	Endorsement to CGL			
11Crime/Dishonesty Bond	\$			
12Builders Risk/Installation Floater – Provide coverage in Full amount of Contract.				
13Owner's Protective Liability	\$			
14Excess/Umbrella Liability	\$			

General Requirements

- A. Carrier rating shall be A.M. Best rating of B++V or Better.
- B. Notice of Cancellation or Non-renewal or material change in coverage shall be provided to Santa Rosa County at least 30 days prior to action.
- C. Santa Rosa County shall be named as Additional Insured on all policies except Workers' Compensation.

Approved by the BOCC March 23, 2021

#### SANTA ROSA COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS GENERAL PROVISIONS

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#### **ARTICLE 1: GENERAL PROVISIONS**

#### 1.1 BASIC DEFINITIONS

#### **1.1.1** THE CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

The Contract Documents consist of the Agreement between Owner and Contractor (hereinafter the Agreement), Conditions of the Contract (General, Supplementary and other Conditions), Drawings/maps/sketches, Specifications, Addenda issued prior to execution of the Contract, other documents listed in the Agreement and Modifications issued after execution of the Contract. A Modification is (1) a written amendment to the Contract signed by both parties, (2) a Change Order, (3) a Construction Change Directive or (4) a written order for a minor change in the Work issued by the Engineer. Unless specifically enumerated in the Agreement, the Contract Documents do not include other documents such as bidding requirements (advertisement or invitation to bid, Instructions to Bidders, sample forms, the Contractor's bid or portions of Addenda relating to bidding requirements).

#### **1.1.2** THE CONTRACT

The Contract Documents form the Contract for Construction. The Contract represents the entire and integrated agreement between the parties hereto and supersedes prior negotiations, representations or agreements, either written or oral. The Contract may be amended or modified only by a Modification. The Contract Documents shall not be construed to create a contractual relationship of any kind (1) between the Engineer and Contractor, (2) between the Owner and a Subcontractor or Sub-Subcontractor, (3) between the Owner and Engineer or (4) between any persons or entities other than the Owner and Contractor. The Engineer shall, however, be entitled to performance and enforcement of obligations under the Contract intended to facilitate performance of the Engineer's duties.

#### **1.1.3** THE WORK

The term "Work" means the construction and services required by the Contract Documents, whether completed or partially completed, and includes all other labor, materials, equipment and services provided or to be provided by the Contractor to fulfill the Contractor's obligations. The Work may constitute the whole or a part of the Project.

#### 1.1.4 THE PROJECT

The Project is the total construction of which the Work performed under the Contract Documents may be the whole or a part and which may include construction by the Owner or by separate Contractors.

#### 1.1.5 THE DRAWINGS

The Drawings are the graphic and pictorial portions of the Contract Documents showing the design, location and dimensions of the Work, generally including plans, elevations, sections, details, schedules and diagrams.

#### **1.1.6** THE SPECIFICATIONS

The Specifications are that portion of the Contract Documents consisting of the written requirements for materials, equipment, systems, standards and workmanship for the Work, and performance of related services.

#### **1.1.7** THE PROJECT MANUAL

The Project Manual is a volume assembled for the Work which may include the bidding

requirements, sample forms, Conditions of the Contract and Specifications.

## 1.2 CORRELATION AND INTENT OF THE CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

- **1.2.1** The intent of the Contract Documents is to include all items necessary for the proper execution and completion of the Work by the Contractor. The Contract Documents are complementary, and what is required by one shall be as binding as if required by all; performance by the Contractor shall be required only to the extent consistent with the Contract Documents and reasonably inferable from them as being necessary to produce the indicated results.
- **1.2.2** Organization of the Specifications into divisions, sections and articles, and arrangement of Drawings shall not control the Contractor in dividing the Work among Subcontractors or in establishing the extent of Work to be performed by any trade.
- **1.2.3** Unless otherwise stated in the Contract Documents, words which have well-known technical or construction industry meanings are used in the Contract Documents in accordance with such recognized meanings.

#### 1.3 CAPITALIZATION

1.3.1 Terms capitalized in these General Conditions include those which are (1) specifically defined, (2) the titles of numbered articles and identified references to Paragraphs, Subparagraphs and Clauses in the document.

#### 1.4 INTERPRETATION

**1.4.1** In the interest of brevity the Contract Documents frequently omit modifying words such as "all" and "any" and articles such as "the" and "an", but the fact that a modifier or an article is absent from one statement and appears in another is not intended to affect the interpretation of either statement.

#### 1.5 EXECUTION OF CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

- **1.5.1** The Contract Documents shall be signed by the Owner and Contractor. If either the Owner or Contractor or both do not sign all the Contract Documents, the Engineer shall identify such unsigned Documents upon request.
- **1.5.2** Execution of the Contract by the Contractor is a representation that the Contractor has visited the site, become generally familiar with local conditions under which the Work is to be performed and correlated personal observations with requirements of the Contract Documents.

## 1.6 <u>OWNERSHIP AND USE OF DRAWINGS/MAPS/SKETCHES, SPECIFICATIONS</u> <u>AND OTHER INSTRUMENTS OF SERVICE</u>

1.6.1 The Drawings/maps/sketches, Specifications and other documents, including those in electronic form, prepared by the Engineer and the Engineer's consultants are Instruments of Service through which the Work to be executed by the Contractor is described. The Contractor may retain one record set. Neither the Contractor nor any Subcontractor, Sub-Subcontractor or material or equipment supplier shall own or claim a copyright in the Drawings, Specifications and other documents prepared by the Engineer or the Engineer's consultants, and unless otherwise indicated the Engineer and the Engineer's consultants shall be deemed the authors of them and will retain all common law, statutory and other reserved rights, in addition to the copyrights. All copies of Instruments of Service, except the Contractor's record set, shall be returned or suitably accounted for to the Engineer, on request, upon completion of the Work. The Drawings, Specifications and other documents prepared by the Engineer and the Engineer or or any subcontractor, substitute or suitably accounted for to be used by the Contractor, are for use solely with respect to this Project. They are not to be used by the Contractor or any Subcontractor, Sub-Subcontractor or material or equipment supplier on other projects or for additions to this Project outside the scope of the Work without the

specific written consent of the Owner, Engineer and the Engineer's consultants. The Contractor, Subcontractors, Sub-Subcontractors and material or equipment suppliers are authorized to use and reproduce applicable portions of the Drawings, Specifications and other documents prepared by the Engineer and the Engineer's consultants appropriate to and for use in the execution of their Work under the Contract Documents. All copies made under this authorization shall bear the statutory copyright notice, if any, shown on the Drawings, Specifications and other documents prepared by the Engineer and the Engineer's consultants. Submittal or distribution to meet official regulatory requirements or for other purposes in connection with this Project is not to be construed as publication in derogation of the Engineer's or Engineer's consultants' copyrights or other reserved rights.

#### **ARTICLE 2: OWNER**

# 2.1 GENERAL

- **2.1.1** The Owner is the person or entity identified as such in the Agreement and is referred to throughout the Contract Documents as if singular in number. The Owner shall designate in writing a representative who shall have express authority to bind the Owner with respect to all matters requiring the Owner's approval or authorization. Except as otherwise provided in Subparagraph **4.2.1**, the Engineer does not have such authority. The term "Owner" means the Owner or the Owner's authorized representative.
- **2.1.2** The Owner shall furnish to the Contractor within fifteen days after receipt of a written request, information necessary and relevant for the Contractor to evaluate, give notice of or enforce mechanic's lien rights. Such information shall include a correct statement of the record legal title to the property on which the Project is located, usually referred to as the site, and the Owner's interest therein.

## 2.2 INFORMATION AND SERVICES REQUIRED OF THE OWNER

- **2.2.1** The Owner shall, at the written request of the Contractor, prior to commencement of the Work and thereafter, furnish to the Contractor reasonable evidence that financial arrangements have been made to fulfill the Owner's obligations under the Contract. Furnishing of such evidence shall be a condition precedent to commencement or continuation of the Work. After such evidence has been furnished, the Owner shall not materially vary such financial arrangements without prior notice to the Contractor.
- **2.2.2** Except for permits and fees, including those required under Subparagraph **3.7.1**, which are the responsibility of the Contractor under the Contract Documents, the Owner shall secure and pay for necessary approvals, easements, assessments and charges required for construction, use or occupancy of permanent structures or for permanent changes in existing facilities.
- **2.2.3** The Owner shall furnish surveys describing physical characteristics, legal limitations and utility locations for the site of the Project, and a legal description of the site. The Contractor shall be entitled to rely on the accuracy of information furnished by the Owner but shall exercise proper precautions relating to the safe performance of the Work.
- **2.2.4** Information or services required of the Owner by the Contract Documents shall be furnished by the Owner with reasonable promptness. Any other information or services relevant to the Contractor's performance of the Work under the Owner's control shall be furnished by the Owner after receipt from the Contractor of a written request for such information or services.
- **2.2.5** Unless otherwise provided in the Contract Documents, the Contractor will be furnished, free of charge, such copies of Drawings and Project Manuals as are reasonably necessary for execution of the Work.

# 2.3 OWNER'S RIGHT TO STOP THE WORK

**2.3.1** If the Contractor fails to correct Work which is not in accordance with the requirements of the Contract Documents as required by Paragraph **12.2** or persistently fails to carry out Work in accordance with the Contract Documents, the Owner may issue a written order to the Contractor to stop the Work, or any portion thereof, until the cause for such order has been eliminated; however, the right of the Owner to stop the Work shall not give rise to a duty on the part of the Owner to exercise this right for the benefit of the Contractor or any other person or entity, except to the extent required by Subparagraph **6.1.3**.

# 2.4 OWNER'S RIGHT TO CARRY OUT THE WORK

**2.4.1** If the Contractor defaults or neglects to carry out the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents and fails within a seven-day period after receipt of written notice from the Owner to commence and continue correction of such default or neglect with diligence and promptness, the Owner may after such seven-day period give the Contractor a second written notice to correct such deficiencies within a three-day period. If the Contractor within such three-day period after receipt of such second notice fails to commence and continue to correct any deficiencies, the Owner may, without prejudice to other remedies the Owner may have, correct such deficiencies. In such case an appropriate Change Order shall be issued deducting from payments then or thereafter due the Contractor the reasonable cost of correcting such deficiencies, including Owner's expenses and compensation for the Engineer's additional services made necessary by such default, neglect or failure. Such action by the Owner and amounts charged to the Contractor are both subject to prior approval of the Engineer. If payments then or thereafter due the Contractor are both subject to cover such amounts, the Contractor shall pay the difference to the Owner.

## **ARTICLE 3: CONTRACTOR**

## 3.1 GENERAL

- **3.1.1** The Contractor is the person or entity identified as such in the Agreement and is referred to throughout the Contract Documents as if singular in number. The term "Contractor" means the Contractor or the Contractor's authorized representative.
- **3.1.2** The Contractor shall perform the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents.
- **3.1.3** The Contractor shall not be relieved of obligations to perform the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents either by activities or duties of the Engineer in the Engineer's administration of the Contract, or by tests, inspections or approvals required or performed by persons other than the Contractor.

## 3.2 <u>REVIEW OF CONTRACT DOCUMENTS AND FIELD CONDITIONS BY</u> <u>CONTRACTOR</u>

- **3.2.1** Since the Contract Documents are complementary, before starting each portion of the Work, the Contractor shall carefully study and compare the various Drawings and other Contract Documents relative to that portion of the Work, as well as the information furnished by the Owner pursuant to Subparagraph **2.2.3**, shall take field measurements of any existing conditions related to that portion of the Work and shall observe any conditions at the site affecting it. These obligations are for the purpose of facilitating construction by the Contractor and are not for the purpose of discovering errors, omissions, or inconsistencies in the Contractor shall be reported promptly to the Engineer as a request for information in such form as the Engineer may require.
- **3.2.2** Any design errors or omissions noted by the Contractor during this review shall be reported promptly to the Engineer, but it is recognized that the Contractor's review is made in the Contractor's capacity as a Contractor and not as a licensed design professional unless

otherwise specifically provided in the Contract Documents. The Contractor is not required to ascertain that the Contract Documents are in accordance with applicable laws, statutes, ordinances, building codes, and rules and regulations, but any nonconformity discovered by or made known to the Contractor shall be reported promptly to the Engineer.

**3.2.3** If the Contractor believes that additional cost or time is involved because of clarifications or instructions issued by the Engineer in response to the Contractor's notices or requests for information pursuant to Subparagraphs **3.2.1** and **3.2.2**, the Contractor shall make Claims as provided in Subparagraphs **4.3.6** and **4.3.7**. If the Contractor fails to perform the obligations of Subparagraphs **3.2.1** and **3.2.2**, the Contractor shall pay such costs and damages to the Owner as would have been avoided if the Contractor had performed such obligations. The Contractor shall not be liable to the Owner or Engineer for damages resulting from errors, inconsistencies or omissions in the Contract Documents or for differences between field measurements or conditions and the Contract Documents unless the Contractor recognized such error, inconsistency, omission or difference and knowingly failed to report it to the Engineer.

## 3.3 SUPERVISION AND CONSTRUCTION PROCEDURES

- **3.3.1** The Contractor shall supervise and direct the Work, using the Contractor's best skill and attention. The Contractor shall be solely responsible for and have control over construction means, methods, techniques, sequences and procedures and for coordinating all portions of the Work under the Contract, unless the Contract Documents give other specific instructions concerning these matters. If the Contract Documents give specific instructions concerning construction means, methods, techniques, sequences or procedures, the Contractor shall evaluate the jobsite safety thereof and, except as stated below, shall be fully and solely responsible for the jobsite safety of such means, methods, techniques, sequences or procedures. If the Contractor determines that such means, methods, techniques, sequences or procedures may not be safe, the Contractor shall give timely written notice to the Owner and Engineer and shall not proceed with that portion of the Work without further written instructions from the Engineer. If the Contractor is then instructed to proceed with the required means, methods, techniques, sequences or procedures or procedures proposed by the Contractor, the Owner shall be solely responsible for any resulting loss or damage.
- **3.3.2** The Contractor shall be responsible to the Owner for acts and omissions of the Contractor's employees, Subcontractors and their agents and employees, and other persons or entities performing portions of the Work for or on behalf of the Contractor or any of its Subcontractors.
- **3.3.3** The Contractor shall be responsible for inspection of portions of Work already performed to determine that such portions are in proper condition to receive subsequent Work.

## 3.4 LABOR AND MATERIALS

- **3.4.1** Unless otherwise provided in the Contract Documents, the Contractor shall provide and pay for labor, materials, equipment, tools, construction equipment and machinery, water, heat, utilities, transportation, and other facilities and services necessary for proper execution and completion of the Work, whether temporary or permanent and whether or not incorporated or to be incorporated in the Work.
- **3.4.2** The Contractor may make substitutions only with the consent of the Owner, after evaluation by the Engineer and in accordance with a Change Order.
- **3.4.3** The Contractor shall enforce strict discipline and good order among the Contractor's employees and other persons carrying out the Contract. The Contractor shall not permit employment of unfit persons or persons not skilled in tasks assigned to them.

# 3.5 WARRANTY

**3.5.1** The Contractor warrants to the Owner and Engineer that materials and equipment furnished under the Contract will be of good quality and new unless otherwise required or permitted by the Contract Documents, that the Work will be free from defects not inherent in the quality required or permitted, and that the Work will conform to the requirements of the Contract Documents. Work not conforming to these requirements, including substitutions not properly approved and authorized, may be considered defective. The Contractor's warranty excludes remedy for damage or defect caused by abuse, modifications not executed by the Contractor, improper or insufficient maintenance, improper operation, or normal wear and tear and normal usage. If required by the Engineer, the Contractor shall furnish satisfactory evidence as to the kind and quality of materials and equipment.

# 3.6 <u>TAX</u>

**3.6.1** The Contractor shall pay sales, consumer, use and similar taxes for the Work provided by the Contractor which are legally enacted when bids are received or negotiations concluded, whether or not yet effective or merely scheduled to go into effect.

# 3.7 PERMITS, FEES AND NOTICES

- **3.7.1** Unless otherwise provided in the Contract Documents, the Contractor shall secure and pay for the building permit and other permits and governmental fees, licenses and inspections necessary for proper execution and completion of the Work which are customarily secured after execution of the Contract and which are legally required when bids are received or negotiations concluded.
- **3.7.2** The Contractor shall comply with and give notices required by laws, ordinances, rules, regulations and lawful orders of public authorities applicable to performance of the Work.
- **3.7.3** It is not the Contractor's responsibility to ascertain that the Contract Documents are in accordance with applicable laws, statutes, ordinances, building codes, and rules and regulations. However, if the Contractor observes that portions of the Contract Documents are at variance therewith, the Contractor shall promptly notify the Engineer and Owner in writing, and necessary changes shall be accomplished by appropriate Modification.
- **3.7.4** If the Contractor performs Work knowing it to be contrary to laws, statutes, ordinances, building codes, and rules and regulations without such notice to the Engineer and Owner, the Contractor shall assume appropriate responsibility for such Work and shall bear the costs attributable to correction.

## 3.8 ALLOWANCES

- **3.8.1** The Contractor shall include in the Contract Sum all allowances stated in the Contract Documents. Items covered by allowances shall be supplied for such amounts and by such persons or entities as the Owner may direct, but the Contractor shall not be required to employ persons or entities to whom the Contractor has reasonable objection.
- **3.8.2** Unless otherwise provided in the Contract Documents:
  - 1 allowances shall cover the cost to the Contractor of materials and equipment delivered at the site and all required taxes, less applicable trade discounts;
  - 2 Contractor's costs for unloading and handling at the site, labor, installation costs, overhead, profit and other expenses contemplated for stated allowance amounts shall be included in the Contract Sum but not in the allowances;
  - **3** whenever costs are more than or less than allowances, the Contract Sum shall be adjusted accordingly by Change Order. The amount of the Change Order shall reflect (1) the difference between actual costs and the allowances under Clause **3.8.2.1** and (2)

changes in Contractor's costs under Clause 3.8.2.2.

**3.8.3** Materials and equipment under an allowance shall be selected by the Owner in sufficient time to avoid delay in the Work.

#### 3.9 <u>SUPERINTENDENT</u>

**3.9.1** The Contractor shall employ competent superintendent and necessary assistants who shall be in attendance at the Project site during performance of the Work. The superintendent shall represent the Contractor, and communications given to the superintendent shall be as binding as if given to the Contractor. Important communications shall be confirmed in writing. Other communications shall be similarly confirmed on written request in each case.

#### 3.10 CONTRACTOR'S CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULES

- **3.10.1** The Contractor, promptly after being awarded the Contract, shall prepare and submit for prior approval by Owner and Engineer Contractor's construction schedule for the Work. The schedule shall not exceed time limits current under the Contract Documents, shall be revised at appropriate intervals as required by the conditions of the Work and Project, shall be related to the entire Project to the extent required by the Contract Documents, and shall provide for expeditious and practicable execution of the Work.
- **3.10.2** The Contractor shall prepare and keep current, for the Engineer's approval, a schedule of submittals which is coordinated with the Contractor's construction schedule and allows the Engineer reasonable time to review submittals.
- **3.10.3** The Contractor shall perform the Work in general accordance with the most recent schedules submitted to the Owner and Engineer.

#### 3.11 DOCUMENTS AND SAMPLES AT THE SITE

**3.11.1** The Contractor shall maintain at the site for the Owner one record copy of the Drawings, Specifications, Addenda, Change Orders and other Modifications, in good order and marked currently to record field changes and selections made during construction, and one record copy of approved Shop Drawings, Product Data, Samples and similar required submittals. These shall be available to the Engineer and shall be delivered to the Engineer for submittal to the Owner upon completion of the Work.

#### 3.12 SHOP DRAWINGS, PRODUCT DATA AND SAMPLES

- **3.12.1** Shop Drawings are drawings, diagrams, schedules and other data specially prepared for the Work by the Contractor or a Subcontractor, Sub-Subcontractor, manufacturer, supplier or distributor to illustrate some portion of the Work.
- **3.12.2** Product Data are illustrations, standard schedules, performance charts, instructions, brochures, diagrams and other information furnished by the Contractor to illustrate materials or equipment for some portion of the Work.
- **3.12.3** Samples are physical examples which illustrate materials, equipment or workmanship and establish standards by which the Work will be judged.
- **3.12.4** Shop Drawings, Product Data, Samples, and similar submittals are not Contract Documents. The purpose of their submittal is to demonstrate for those portions of the Work for which submittals are required by the Contract Documents the way by which the Contractor proposes to conform to the information given and the design concept expressed in the Contract Documents. Review by the Engineer is subject to the limitations of Subparagraph **4.2.7**. Informational submittals upon which the Engineer is not expected to take responsive action may be so identified in the Contract Documents. Submittals which are not required by the Contract Documents may be returned by the Engineer without action.

- **3.12.5** The Contractor shall review for compliance with the Contract Documents, approve and submit to the Engineer Shop Drawings, Product Data, Samples, and similar submittals required by the Contract Documents with reasonable promptness and in such sequence as to cause no delay in the Work or in the activities of the Owner or of separate Contractors. Submittals which are not marked as reviewed for compliance with the Contract Documents and approved by the Contractor may be returned by the Engineer without action.
- **3.12.6** By approving and submitting Shop Drawings, Product Data, Samples, and similar submittals, the Contractor represents that the Contractor has determined and verified materials, field measurements and field construction criteria related thereto, or will do so, and has checked and coordinated the information contained within such submittals with the requirements of the Work and of the Contract Documents.
- **3.12.7** The Contractor shall perform no portion of the Work for which the Contract Documents require submittal and review of Shop Drawings, Product Data, Samples, or similar submittals until the respective submittal has been approved by the Engineer.
- **3.12.8** The Work shall be in accordance with approved submittals except that the Contractor shall not be relieved of responsibility for deviations from requirements of the Contract Documents by the Engineer's approval of Shop Drawings, Product Data, Samples, or similar submittals unless the Contractor has specifically informed the Engineer in writing of such deviation at the time of submittal and (1) the Engineer has given written approval to the specific deviation as a minor change in the Work, or (2) a Change Order or Construction Change Directive has been issued authorizing the deviation. The Contractor shall not be relieved of responsibility for errors or omissions in Shop Drawings, Product Data, Samples, or similar submittals by the Engineer's approval thereof.
- **3.12.9** The Contractor shall direct specific attention, in writing or on resubmitted Shop Drawings, Product Data, Samples, or similar submittals, to revisions other than those requested by the Engineer on previous submittals. In the absence of such written notice the Engineer's approval of a resubmission shall not apply to such revisions.
- **3.12.10** The Contractor shall not be required to provide professional services which constitute the practice of Engineerure or engineering unless such services are specifically required by the Contract Documents for a portion of the Work or unless the Contractor needs to provide such services in order to carry out the Contractor's responsibilities for construction means, methods, techniques, sequences and procedures. The Contractor shall not be required to provide professional services in violation of applicable law. If professional design services or certifications by a design professional related to systems, materials or equipment are specifically required of the Contractor by the Contract Documents, the Owner and the Engineer will specify all performance and design criteria that such services must satisfy. The Contractor shall cause such services or certifications to be provided by a properly licensed design professional, whose signature and seal shall appear on all drawings, calculations, specifications, certifications, Shop Drawings and other submittals prepared by such professional. Shop Drawings and other submittals related to the Work designed or certified by such professional, if prepared by others, shall bear such professional's written approval when submitted to the Engineer. The Owner and the Engineer shall be entitled to rely upon the adequacy, accuracy and completeness of the services, certifications or approvals performed by such design professionals, provided the Owner and Engineer have specified to the Contractor all performance and design criteria that such services must satisfy. Pursuant to this Subparagraph 3.12.10, the Engineer will review, approve or take

other appropriate action on submittals only for the limited purpose of checking for conformance with information given and the design concept expressed in the Contract Documents. The Contractor shall not be responsible for the adequacy of the performance or design criteria required by the Contract Documents.

#### 3.13 <u>USE OF SITE</u>

**3.13.1** The Contractor shall confine operations at the site to areas permitted by law, ordinances, permits and the Contract Documents and shall not unreasonably encumber the site with materials or equipment.

#### 3.14 CUTTING AND PATCHING

- **3.14.1** The Contractor shall be responsible for cutting, fitting or patching required to complete the Work or to make its parts fit together properly.
- **3.14.2** The Contractor shall not damage or endanger a portion of the Work or fully or partially completed construction of the Owner or separate Contractors by cutting, patching or otherwise altering such construction, or by excavation. The Contractor shall not cut or otherwise alter such construction by the Owner or a separate Contractor except with written consent of the Owner and of such separate Contractor; such consent shall not be unreasonably withheld. The Contractor shall not unreasonably withhold from the Owner or a separate Contractor the Contractor to cutting or otherwise altering the Work.

#### 3.15 <u>CLEANING UP</u>

- **3.15.1** The Contractor shall keep the premises and surrounding area free from accumulation of waste materials or rubbish caused by operations under the Contract. At completion of the Work, the Contractor shall remove from and about the Project waste materials, rubbish, the Contractor's tools, construction equipment, machinery and surplus materials.
- **3.15.2** If the Contractor fails to clean up as provided in the Contract Documents, the Owner may do so and the cost thereof shall be charged to the Contractor.

#### 3.16 ACCESS TO WORK

**3.16.1** The Contractor shall provide the Owner and Engineer access to the Work in preparation and progress wherever located.

#### 3.17 ROYALTIES, PATENTS AND COPYRIGHTS

**3.17.1** The Contractor shall pay all royalties and license fees. The Contractor shall defend suits or claims for infringement of copyrights and patent rights and shall hold the Owner and Engineer harmless from loss on account thereof, but shall not be responsible for such defense or loss when a particular design, process or product of a particular manufacturer or manufacturers is required by the Contract documents or where the copyright violations are contained in Drawings, Specifications or other documents prepared by the Owner or Engineer. However, if the Contractor has reason to believe that the required design, process or product is an infringement of a copyright or a patent, the Contractor shall be responsible for such loss unless such information is promptly furnished to the Engineer.

#### 3.18 **INDEMNIFICATION**

**3.18.1** To the fullest extent permitted by law and to the extent claims, damages, losses or expenses are not covered by Project Management Protective Liability insurance purchased by the Contractor in accordance with Article **11**, the Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless the Owner, Engineer, Engineer's consultants, and agents and employees of any of them from and against claims, damages, losses and expenses, including but not limited to attorneys' fees, arising out of or resulting from performance of the Work, provided that such claim, damage, loss or expense is attributable to bodily injury, sickness, disease or death, or to injury to or destruction of tangible property (other than the Work itself), but only to the extent caused by the negligent acts or omissions of the Contractor, a Subcontractor,

anyone directly or indirectly employed by them or anyone for whose acts they may be liable, regardless of whether or not such claim, damage, loss or expense is caused in part by a party indemnified hereunder. Such obligation shall not be construed to negate, abridge, or reduce other rights or obligations of indemnity which would otherwise exist as to a party or person described in this Paragraph **3.18**.

**3.18.2** In claims against any person or entity indemnified under this Paragraph **3.18** by an employee of the Contractor, a Subcontractor, anyone directly or indirectly employed by them or anyone for whose acts they may be liable, the indemnification obligation under Subparagraph **3.18.1** shall not be limited by a limitation on amount or type of damages, compensation or benefits payable by or for the Contractor or a Subcontractor under workers' compensation acts, disability benefit acts or other employee benefit acts.

#### **ARTICLE 4: ADMINISTRATION OF THE CONTRACT**

#### 4.1 ENGINEER

- **4.1.1** The Engineer is the person lawfully licensed to practice Engineerure or an entity lawfully practicing Engineerure identified as such in the Agreement and is referred to throughout the Contract Documents as if singular in number. The term "Engineer" means the Engineer or the Engineer's authorized representative.
- **4.1.2** Duties, responsibilities and limitations of authority of the Engineer as set forth in the Contract Documents shall not be restricted, modified or extended without written consent of the Owner, Contractor and Engineer. Consent shall not be unreasonably withheld.
- **4.1.3** If the employment of the Engineer is terminated, the Owner shall employ a new Engineer against whom the Contractor has no reasonable objection and whose status under the Contract Documents shall be that of the former Engineer.

#### 4.2 ENGINEER'S ADMINISTRATION OF THE CONTRACT

- **4.2.1** The Engineer will provide administration of the Contract as described in the Contract Documents, and will be an Owner's representative (1) during construction, (2) until final payment is due and (3) with the Owner's concurrence, from time to time during the one-year period for correction of Work described in Paragraph **12.2.** The Engineer will have authority to act on behalf of the Owner only to the extent provided in the Contract Documents, unless otherwise modified in writing in accordance with other provisions of the Contract.
- **4.2.2** The Engineer, as a representative of the Owner, will visit the site at intervals appropriate to the stage of the Contractor's operations (1) to become generally familiar with and to keep the Owner informed about the progress and quality of the portion of the Work completed, (2) to endeavor to guard the Owner against defects and deficiencies in the Work, and (3) to determine in general if the Work is being performed in a manner indicating that the Work, when fully completed, will be in accordance with the Contract Documents. However, the Engineer will not be required to make exhaustive or continuous on-site inspections to check the quality or quantity of the Work. The Engineer will neither have control over or charge of, nor be responsible for, the construction means, methods, techniques, sequences or procedures, or for the safety precautions and programs in connection with the Work, since these are solely the Contractor's rights and responsibilities under the Contract Documents, except as provided in Subparagraph **3.3.1**.
- **4.2.3** The Engineer will not be responsible for the Contractor's failure to perform the Work in accordance with the requirements of the Contract Documents. The Engineer will not have control over or charge of and will not be responsible for acts or omissions of the Contractor,

Subcontractors, or their agents or employees, or any other persons or entities performing portions of the Work.

- **4.2.4** Communications Facilitating Contract Administration. Except as otherwise provided in the Contract Documents or when direct communications have been specially authorized, the Owner and Contractor shall endeavor to communicate with each other through the Engineer about matters arising out of or relating to the Contract. Communications by and with the Engineer's consultants shall be through the Engineer. Communications by and with Subcontractors and material suppliers shall be through the Contractor. Communications by and with separate Contractors shall be through the Owner.
- **4.2.5** Based on the Engineer's evaluations of the Contractor's Applications for Payment, the Engineer will review and certify the amounts due the Contractor and will issue Certificates for Payment in such amounts.
- **4.2.6** The Engineer will have authority to reject Work that does not conform to the Contract Documents. Whenever the Engineer considers it necessary or advisable, the Engineer will have authority to require inspection or testing of the Work in accordance with Subparagraphs **13.5.2** and **13.5.3**, whether or not such Work is fabricated, installed or completed. However, neither this authority of the Engineer nor a decision made in good faith either to exercise or not to exercise such authority shall give rise to a duty or responsibility of the Engineer to the Contractor, Subcontractors, material and equipment suppliers, their agents or employees, or other persons or entities performing portions of the Work.
- 4.2.7 The Engineer will review and approve or take other appropriate action upon the Contractor's submittals such as Shop Drawings, Product Data and Samples, but only for the limited purpose of checking for conformance with information given and the design concept expressed in the Contract Documents. The Engineer's action will be taken with such reasonable promptness as to cause no delay in the Work or in the activities of the Owner, Contractor or separate Contractors, while allowing sufficient time in the Engineer's professional judgment to permit adequate review. Review of such submittals is not conducted for the purpose of determining the accuracy and completeness of other details such as dimensions and quantities, or for substantiating instructions for installation or performance of equipment or systems, all of which remain the responsibility of the Contractor as required by the Contract Documents. The Engineer's review of the Contractor's submittals shall not relieve the Contractor of the obligations under Paragraphs 3.3, 3.5 and 3.12. The Engineer's review shall not constitute approval of safety precautions or, unless otherwise specifically stated by the Engineer, of any construction means, methods, techniques, sequences or procedures. The Engineer's approval of a specific item shall not indicate approval of an assembly of which the item is a component.
- **4.2.8** The Engineer will prepare Change Orders and Construction Change Directives, and may authorize minor changes in the Work as provided in Paragraph **7.4**.
- **4.2.9** The Engineer will conduct inspections to determine the date or dates of Substantial Completion and the date of final completion, will receive and forward to the Owner, for the Owner's review and records, written warranties and related documents required by the Contract and assembled by the Contractor, and will issue a final Certificate for Payment upon compliance with the requirements of the Contract Documents.
- **4.2.10** If the Owner and Engineer agree, the Engineer will provide one or more project representatives to assist in carrying out the Engineer's responsibilities at the site. The duties,

responsibilities and limitations of authority of such project representatives shall be as set forth in an exhibit to be incorporated in the Contract Documents.

- **4.2.11** The Engineer will interpret and decide matters concerning performance under, and requirements of, the Contract Documents on written request of either the Owner or Contractor. The Engineer's response to such requests will be made in writing within any time limits agreed upon or otherwise with reasonable promptness. If no agreement is made concerning the time within which interpretations required of the Engineer shall be furnished in compliance with this Paragraph **4.2**, then delay shall not be recognized on account of failure by the Engineer to furnish such interpretations until **15** days after written request is made for them.
- **4.2.12** Interpretations and decisions of the Engineer will be consistent with the intent of and reasonably inferable from the Contract Documents and will be in writing or in the form of drawings. When making such interpretations and initial decisions, the Engineer will endeavor to secure faithful performance by both Owner and Contractor, will not show partiality to either and will not be liable for results of interpretations or decisions so rendered in good faith.
- **4.2.13** The Engineer's decisions on matters relating to aesthetic effect will be final if consistent with the intent expressed in the Contract Documents.

#### 4.3 <u>CLAIMS AND DISPUTES</u>

- **4.3.1** Definition. A Claim is a demand or assertion by one of the parties seeking, as a matter of right, adjustment or interpretation of Contract terms, payment of money, extension of time or other relief with respect to the terms of the Contract. The term "Claim" also includes other disputes and matters in question between the Owner and Contractor arising out of or relating to the Contract. Claims must be initiated by written notice. The responsibility to substantiate claims shall rest with the party making the Claim.
- **4.3.2** Time Limits on Claims. Claims by either party must be initiated within **21** days after occurrence of the event giving rise to such Claim or within **21** days after the claimant first recognizes the condition giving rise to the Claim, whichever is later. Claims must be initiated by written notice to the Engineer and the other party.
- **4.3.3** Continuing Contract Performance. Pending final resolution of a Claim except as otherwise agreed in writing or as provided in Subparagraph **9.7.1** and Article **14**, the Contractor shall proceed diligently with performance of the Contract and the Owner shall continue to make payments in accordance with the Contract Documents.
- **4.3.4** Claims for Concealed or Unknown Conditions. If conditions are encountered at the site which are (1) subsurface or otherwise concealed physical conditions which differ materially from those indicated in the Contract Documents or (2) unknown physical conditions of an unusual nature, which differ materially from those ordinarily found to exist and generally recognized as inherent in construction activities of the character provided for in the Contract Documents, then notice by the observing party shall be given to the other party promptly before Conditions are disturbed and in no event later than **21** days after first observance of the conditions. The Engineer will promptly investigate such conditions and, if they differ materially and cause an increase or decrease in the Contractor's cost of, or time required for, performance of any part of the Work, will recommend an equitable adjustment in the Sontract Sum or Contract Time, or both. If the Engineer determines that the conditions at the site are not materially different from those indicated in the Contract Documents and that no change in the terms of the Contract is justified, the Engineer shall

so notify the Owner and Contractor in writing, stating the reasons. Claims by either party in opposition to such determination must be made within **21** days after the Engineer has given notice of the decision. If the conditions encountered are materially different, the Contract Sum and Contract Time shall be equitably adjusted, but if the Owner and Contractor cannot agree on an adjustment in the Contract Sum or Contract Time, the adjustment shall be referred to the Engineer for initial determination, subject to further proceedings pursuant to Paragraph **4.4**.

- **4.3.5** Claims for Additional Cost. If the Contractor wishes to make Claim for an increase in the Contract Sum, written notice as provided herein shall be given before proceeding to execute the Work. Prior notice is not required for Claims relating to an emergency endangering life or property arising under Paragraph **10.6**.
- **4.3.6** If the Contractor believes additional cost is involved for reasons including but not limited to (1) a written interpretation from the Engineer, (2) an order by the Owner to stop the Work where the Contractor was not at fault, (3) a written order for a minor change in the Work issued by the Engineer, (4) failure of payment by the Owner, (5) termination of the Contract by the Owner, (6) Owner's suspension or (7) other reasonable grounds, Claim shall be filed in accordance with this Paragraph **4.3**.

#### 4.3.7 CLAIMS FOR ADDITIONAL TIME

- **4.3.7.1** If the Contractor wishes to make Claim for an increase in the Contract Time, written notice as provided herein shall be given. The Contractor's Claim shall include an estimate of cost and of probable effect of delay on progress of the Work. In the case of a continuing delay only one Claim is necessary.
- **4.3.7.2** If adverse weather conditions are the basis for a Claim for additional time, such Claim shall be documented by data substantiating that weather conditions were abnormal for the period of time, could not have been reasonably anticipated and had an adverse effect on the scheduled construction.
- 4.3.8 Injury or Damage to Person or Property. If either party to the Contract suffers injury or damage to person or property because of an act or omission of the other party, or of others for whose acts such party is legally responsible, written notice of such injury or damage, whether or not insured, shall be given to the other party within a reasonable time not exceeding 21 days after discovery. The notice shall provide sufficient detail to enable the other party to investigate the matter.
- **4.3.9** If unit prices are stated in the Contract Documents or subsequently agreed upon, and if quantities originally contemplated are materially changed in a proposed Change Order or Construction Change Directive so that application of such unit prices to quantities of Work proposed will cause substantial inequity to the Owner or Contractor, the applicable unit prices shall be equitably adjusted.
- **4.3.10** Claims for Consequential Damages. The Contractor and Owner waive Claims against each other for consequential damages arising out of or relating to this Contract. This mutual waiver includes:
  - 1 damages incurred by the Owner for rental expenses, for losses of use, income, profit, financing, business and reputation, and for loss of management or employee productivity or of the services of such persons; and
  - 2 damages incurred by the Contractor for principal office expenses including the compensation of personnel stationed there, for losses of financing, business and reputation, and for loss of profit except anticipated profit arising directly from the

Work.

This mutual waiver is applicable, without limitation, to all consequential damages due to either party's termination in accordance with Article 14. Nothing contained in this Subparagraph 4.3.10 shall be deemed to preclude an award of liquidated direct damages, when applicable, in accordance with the requirements of the Contract Documents.

#### 4.4 RESOLUTION OF CLAIMS AND DISPUTES

- **4.4.1** The Engineer will review Claims and take one or more of the following preliminary actions within ten days of receipt of a Claim: (1) request additional supporting data from the claimant; (2) submit a schedule to the parties indicating when the Engineer expects to take action; (3) reject the: Claim in whole or in part stating reasons for rejection; (4) recommend approval of the Claim by the other party; or (5) suggest a compromise. The Engineer may also, but is not obligated to, notify the surety, if any, of the nature and amount of the Claim.
- **4.4.2** If a Claim has been resolved, the Engineer will prepare or obtain appropriate documentation.
- **4.4.3** If a Claim has not been resolved, the party making the Claim shall, within ten days after the Engineer's preliminary response take one or more of the following actions: (1) submit additional supporting data requested by the Engineer; (2) modify the initial Claim; or (3) notify the Engineer that the initial Claim stands.
- **4.4.4** If a Claim has not been resolved after consideration of the foregoing and of further evidence presented by the parties or requested by the Engineer, the Engineer will notify the parties in writing that the Engineer's decision will be made within seven days, which decision shall be final and binding on the parties. Upon expiration of such time period, the: Engineer will render to the parties the Engineer's written decision relative to the Claim, including any change in the Contract Sum or Contract Time or both. If there is a surety and there appears to be a possibility of a Contractor's default, the Engineer may, but is not obligated to, notify the surety and request the surety's assistance in resolving the: controversy.

#### **ARTICLE 5: SUBCONTRACTORS**

#### 5.1 **DEFINITIONS**

- **5.1.1** A Subcontractor is a person or entity who has a direct contract with the Contractor to perform a portion of the Work at the site. The term "Subcontractor" is referred to throughout the Contract Documents as if singular in number and means a Subcontractor or an authorized representative of the Subcontractor. The term "Subcontractor" does not include a separate Contractor or Subcontractors of a separate Contractor.
- **5.1.2** A Sub-Subcontractor is a person or entity who has a direct or indirect contract with a Subcontractor to perform a portion of the Work at the site. The term "Sub-Subcontractor" is referred to throughout the Contract Documents as if singular in number and means a Sub-Subcontractor or an authorized representative of the Sub-Subcontractor.

#### 5.2 <u>AWARD OF SUBCONTRACTS AND OTHER CONTRACTS FOR PORTIONS OF</u> <u>THE WORK</u>

**5.2.1** Unless otherwise stated in the Contract Documents or the bidding requirements, the Contractor, as soon as practicable after award of the Contract, shall furnish in writing to the Owner through the Engineer the names of persons or entities (including those who are to furnish materials or equipment fabricated to a special design) proposed for each principal portion of the Work. The Engineer will promptly reply to the Contractor in writing stating

whether or not the Owner or the Engineer, after due investigation, has reasonable objection to any such proposed person or entity. Failure of the Owner or Engineer to reply promptly shall constitute notice of no reasonable objection.

- **5.2.2** The Contractor shall not contract with a proposed person or entity to whom the Owner or Engineer has made reasonable and timely objection. The Contractor shall not be required to contract with anyone to whom the Contractor has made reasonable objection.
- **5.2.3** If the Owner or Engineer has reasonable objection to a person or entity proposed by the Contractor, the Contractor shall propose another to whom the Owner or Engineer has no reasonable objection. If the proposed but rejected Subcontractor was reasonably capable of performing the Work, the Contract Sum and Contract Time shall be increased or decreased by the difference, if any, occasioned by such change, and an appropriate Change Order shall be issued before commencement of the substitute Subcontractor's Work. However, no increase in the Contract Sum or Contract Time shall be allowed for such change unless the Contractor has acted promptly and responsively in submitting names as required.
- **5.2.4** The Contractor shall not change a Subcontractor, person or entity previously selected if the Owner or Engineer makes reasonable objection to such substitute.

#### 5.3 SUBCONTRACTUAL RELATIONS

**5.3.1** By appropriate agreement, written where legally required for validity, the Contractor shall require each Subcontractor, to the extent of the Work to be performed by the Subcontractor, to be bound to the Contractor by terms of the Contract Documents, and to assume toward the Contractor all the obligations and responsibilities, including the responsibility for safety of the Subcontractor's Work, which the Contractor, by these Documents, assumes toward the Owner and Engineer. Each subcontract agreement shall preserve and protect the rights of the Owner and Engineer under the Contract Documents with respect to the Work to be performed by the Subcontractor so that subcontracting thereof will not prejudice such rights, and shall allow to the Subcontractor, unless specifically provided otherwise in the subcontract agreement, the benefit of all rights, remedies and redress against the Contractor that the Contractor, by the Contract Documents, has against the Owner. Where appropriate, the Contractor shall require each Subcontractor to enter into similar agreements with Sub-Subcontractors. The Contractor shall make available to each proposed Subcontractor, prior to the execution of the subcontract agreement, copies of the Contract Documents to which the Subcontractor will be bound, and, upon written request of the Subcontractor, identify to the Subcontractor terms and conditions of the proposed subcontract agreement which may be at variance with the Contract Documents. Subcontractors will similarly make copies of applicable portions of such documents available to their respective proposed Sub-Subcontractors.

#### 5.4 <u>CONTINGENT ASSIGNMENT OF SUBCONTRACTS</u>

- **5.4.1** Each subcontract agreement for a portion of the Work is assigned by the Contractor to the Owner provided that:
  - 1 assignment is effective only after termination of the Contract by the Owner for cause pursuant to Paragraph 14.2 and only for those subcontract agreements which the Owner accepts by notifying the Subcontractor and Contractor in writing; and
  - **2** assignment is subject to the prior rights of the surety, if any, obligated under bond relating to the Contract.
- **5.4.2** Upon such assignment, if the Work has been suspended for more than **30** days, the Subcontractor's compensation shall be equitably adjusted for increases in cost resulting from the suspension.

#### **ARTICLE 6: CONSTRUCTION BY OWNER OR BY SEPARATE CONTRACTORS**

#### 6.1 <u>OWNER'S RIGHT TO PERFORM CONSTRUCTION AND TO AWARD SEPARATE</u> <u>CONTRACTS</u>

- **6.1.1** The Owner reserves the right to perform construction or operations related to the Project with the Owner's own forces, and to award separate contracts in connection with other portions of the Project or other construction or operations on the site under Conditions of the Contract identical or substantially similar to these including those portions related to insurance and waiver of subrogation. If the Contractor claims that delay or additional cost is involved because of such action by the Owner, the Contractor shall make such Claim as provided in Paragraph 4.3.
- **6.1.2** When separate contracts are awarded for different portions of the Project or other construction or operations on the site, the term "Contractor" in the Contract Documents in each case shall mean the Contractor who executes each separate Owner-Contractor Agreement.
- **6.1.3** The Owner shall provide for coordination of the activities of the Owner's own forces and of each separate Contractor with the Work of the Contractor, who shall cooperate with them. The Contractor shall participate with other separate Contractors and the Owner in reviewing their construction schedules when directed to do so. The Contractor shall make any revisions to the construction schedule deemed necessary after a joint review and mutual agreement. The construction schedules shall then constitute the schedules to be used by the Contractor, separate Contractors and the Owner until subsequently revised.
- **6.1.4** Unless otherwise provided in the Contract Documents, when the Owner performs construction or operations related to the Project with the Owner's own forces, the Owner shall be deemed to be subject to the same obligations and to have the same rights which apply to the Contractor under the Conditions of the Contract, including, without excluding others, those stated in Article 3, this Article 6 and Articles 10, 11 and 12.

#### 6.2 MUTUAL RESPONSIBILITY

- **6.2.1** The Contractor shall afford the Owner and separate Contractors reasonable opportunity for introduction and storage of their materials and equipment and performance of their activities, and shall connect and coordinate the Contractor's construction and operations with theirs as required by the Contract Documents.
- **6.2.2** If part of the Contractor's Work depends for proper execution or results upon construction or operations by the Owner or a separate Contractor, the Contractor shall, prior to proceeding with that portion of the Work, promptly report to the Engineer apparent discrepancies or defects in such other construction that would render it unsuitable for such proper execution and results. Failure of the Contractor so to report shall constitute an acknowledgment that the Owner's or separate Contractor's completed or partially completed construction is fit and proper to receive the Contractor's Work, except as to defects not then reasonably discoverable.
- **6.2.3** The Owner shall be reimbursed by the Contractor for costs incurred by the Owner which are payable to a separate Contractor because of delays, improperly timed activities or defective construction of the Contractor. The Owner shall be responsible to the Contractor for costs incurred by the Contractor because of delays, improperly timed activities, damage to the Work, or defective construction of a separate Contractor.
- **6.2.4** The Contractor shall promptly remedy damage wrongfully caused by the Contractor to completed or partially completed construction or to property of the Owner or separate

Contractors as provided in Subparagraph 10.2.5.

**6.2.5** The Owner and each separate Contractor shall have the same responsibilities for cutting and patching as are described for the Contractor in Subparagraph **3.14**.

#### 6.3 OWNER'S RIGHT TO CLEAN UP

**6.3.1** If a dispute arises among the Contractor, separate Contractors and the Owner as to the responsibility under their respective contracts for maintaining the premises and surrounding area free from waste materials and rubbish, the Owner may clean up and the Engineer will allocate the cost among those responsible.

#### **ARTICLE 7: CHANGES IN THE WORK**

#### 7.1 GENERAL

- **7.1.1** Changes in the Work may be accomplished after execution of the Contract, and without invalidating the Contract, by Change Order, Construction Change Directive or order for a minor change in the Work, subject to the limitations stated in this Article 7 and elsewhere in the Contract Documents.
- **7.1.2** A Change Order shall be based upon agreement among the Owner, Contractor and Engineer; a Construction Change Directive requires agreement by the Owner and Engineer and may or may not be agreed to by the Contractor; an order for a minor change in the Work may be issued by the Engineer alone.
- **7.1.3** Changes in the Work shall be performed under applicable provisions of the Contract Documents, and the Contractor shall proceed promptly, unless otherwise provided in the Change Order, Construction Change Directive or order for a minor change in the Work.

#### 7.2 CHANGE ORDERS

**7.2.1** A Change Order is a written instrument prepared by the Engineer and signed by the Owner, Contractor and Engineer, stating their agreement upon all of the following:

1 change in the Work;

2 the amount of the adjustment, if any, in the Contract Sum; and

- **3** the extent of the adjustment, if any, in the Contract Time.
- **7.2.2** Methods used in determining adjustments to the Contract Sum may include those listed in Subparagraph **7.3.3**.

#### 7.3 CONSTRUCTION CHANGE DIRECTIVES

- **7.3.1** A Construction Change Directive is a written order prepared by the Engineer and signed by the Owner and Engineer, directing a change in the Work prior to agreement on adjustment, if any, in the Contract Sum or Contract Time, or both. The Owner may by Construction Change Directive, without invalidating the Contract, order changes in the Work within the general scope of the Contract consisting of additions, deletions or other revisions, the Contract Sum and Contract Time being adjusted accordingly.
- **7.3.2** A Construction Change Directive shall be used in the absence of total agreement on the terms of a Change Order.
- **7.3.3** If the Construction Change directive provides for an adjustment to the Contract Sum, the adjustment shall be based on one of the following methods:
  - 1 mutual acceptance of a lump sum properly itemized and supported by sufficient substantiating data to permit evaluation;
  - 2 unit prices stated in the Contract Documents or subsequently agreed upon;

**3** cost to be determined in a manner agreed upon by the parties and a mutually acceptable

fixed or percentage fee; or

4 as provided in Subparagraph 7.3.6.

- **7.3.4** Upon receipt of a Construction Change Directive, the Contractor shall promptly proceed with the change in the Work involved and advise the Engineer of the Contractor's agreement or disagreement with the method, if any, provided in the Construction Change Directive for determining the proposed adjustment in the Contract Sum or Contract Time.
- **7.3.5** A Construction Change Directive signed by the Contractor indicates the agreement of the Contractor therewith, including adjustment in Contract Sum and Contract Time or the method for determining them. Such agreement shall be effective immediately and shall be recorded as a Change Order.
- **7.3.6** If the Contractor does not respond promptly or disagrees with the method for adjustment in the Contract Sum, the method and the adjustment shall be determined by the Engineer on the basis of reasonable expenditures and savings of those performing the Work attributable to the change, including, in case of an increase in the Contract Sum, a reasonable allowance for overhead and profit. In such case, and also under Clause **7.3.3.3**, the Contractor shall keep and present, in such form as the Engineer may prescribe, an itemized accounting together with appropriate supporting data. Unless otherwise provided in the Contract Documents, costs for the purposes of this Subparagraph **7.3.6** shall be limited to the following:
  - 1 costs of labor, including social security, old age and unemployment insurance, fringe benefits required by agreement or custom, and workers' compensation insurance;
  - 2 costs of materials, supplies and equipment, including cost of transportation, whether incorporated or consumed;
  - **3** rental costs of machinery and equipment, exclusive of hand tools, whether rented from the Contractor or others;
  - 4 costs of premiums for all bonds and insurance, permit fees, and sales, use or similar taxes related to the Work; and
  - **5** additional costs of supervision and field office personnel directly attributable to the change.
- **7.3.7.** The amount of credit to be allowed by the Contractor to the Owner for a deletion or change which results in a net decrease in the Contract Sum shall be actual net cost as confirmed by the Engineer. When both additions and credits covering related Work or substitutions are involved in a change, the allowance for overhead and profit shall be figured on the basis of net increase, if any, with respect to that change.
- **7.3.8** Pending final determination of the total cost of a Construction Change Directive to the Owner, amounts not in dispute for such changes in the Work shall be included in Applications for Payment accompanied by a Change Order indicating the parties' agreement with part or all of such costs. For any portion of such cost that remains in dispute, the Engineer will make an interim determination for purposes of monthly certification for payment for those costs. That determination of cost shall adjust the Contract Sum on the same basis as a Change Order, subject to the right of either party to disagree and assert a claim in accordance with Article **4**.
- **7.3.9** When the Owner and Contractor agree with the determination made by the Engineer concerning the adjustments in the Contract Sum and Contract Time, or otherwise reach

agreement upon the adjustments, such agreement shall be effective immediately and shall be recorded by preparation and execution of an appropriate Change Order.

#### 7.4 MINOR CHANGES IN THE WORK

**7.4.1** The Engineer will have authority to order minor changes in the Work not involving adjustment in the Contract Sum or extension of the Contract Time and not inconsistent with the intent of the Contract Documents. Such changes shall be effected by written order and shall be binding on the Owner and Contractor. The Contractor shall carry out such written orders promptly.

#### **ARTICLE 8: TIME**

#### 8.1 **DEFINITIONS**

- **8.1.1** Unless otherwise provided, Contract Time is the period of time, including authorized adjustments, allotted in the Contract Documents for Substantial Completion of the Work.
- **8.1.2** The date of commencement of the Work is the date established in the Agreement. The date shall not be postponed by the failure to act of the Contractor or of persons or entities for whom the Contractor is responsible.
- **8.1.3** The date of Substantial Completion is the date certified by the Engineer in accordance with Paragraph **9.8**.
- **8.1.4** The term "day" as used in the Contract Documents shall mean calendar day unless otherwise specifically defined.

#### 8.2 PROGRESS AND COMPLETION

- **8.2.1** Time limits stated in the Contract Documents are of the essence of the Contract. By executing the Agreement the Contractor confirms that the Contract Time is a reasonable period for performing the work.
- **8.2.2** The Contractor shall not knowingly, except by agreement or instruction of the Owner in writing, prematurely commence operations on the site or elsewhere prior to the effective date of insurance required by Article **11** to be furnished by the Contractor and Owner. The date of commencement of the Work shall not be changed by the effective date of such insurance. Unless the date of commencement is established by the Contract Documents or a notice to proceed given by the Owner, the Contractor shall notify the Owner in writing not less than five days or other agreed period before commencing the Work to permit the timely filing of mortgages, mechanic's liens and other security interests.
- **8.2.3** The Contractor shall proceed with the project expeditiously and continuously with adequate forces and shall achieve Substantial Completion within the Contract Time. Contractor shall progress with and maintain continuous construction even if construction is ahead of the approved construction schedule.

If the percentage dollar value of the completed work is 15% or more below the dollar value of work that should have been completed in accordance with the approved construction schedule, further payment under this contract to Contractor shall be suspended until the percentage dollar value of completed work is within 5% of the dollar value of work that should have been completed in accordance with the approved construction schedule.

#### 8.3 DELAYS AND EXTENSIONS OF TIME

**8.3.1** If the Contractor is delayed at any time in the commencement or progress of the Work by an act or neglect of the Owner or Engineer, or of an employee of either, or of a separate Contractor employed by the Owner, or by changes ordered in the Work, or by labor

disputes, fire, unusual delay in deliveries; unavoidable casualties or other causes beyond the Contractor's control, then the Contract Time shall be extended by Change Order for such reasonable time as the Engineer may determine.

**8.3.2** Claims relating to time shall be made in accordance with applicable provisions of Paragraph **4.3**.

#### **ARTICLE 9: PAYMENTS AND COMPLETION**

#### 9.1 CONTRACT SUM

**9.1.1** The Contract Sum is stated in the Agreement and, including authorized adjustments, is the total amount payable by the Owner to the Contractor for performance of the Work under the Contract Documents.

#### 9.2 <u>SCHEDULE OF VALUES</u>

**9.2.1** Before the first Application for Payment, the Contractor shall submit to the Engineer a schedule of values allocated to various portions of the Work, prepared in such form and supported by such data to substantiate its accuracy as the Engineer may require. This schedule, unless objected to by the Engineer, shall be used as a basis for reviewing the Contractor's Applications for Payment.

#### 9.3 APPLICATIONS FOR PAYMENT

- **9.3.1** At least ten days before the date established for each progress payment, the Contractor shall submit to the Engineer an itemized Application for Payment for operations completed in accordance with the schedule of values. Such application shall be notarized, if required, and supported by such data substantiating the Contractor's right to payment as the Owner or Engineer may require, such as copies of requisitions from Subcontractors and material suppliers, and reflecting retainage if provided for in the Contract Documents.
  - **9.3.1.1** As provided in Subparagraph **7.3.8**, such applications may include requests for payment on account of changes in the Work which have been properly authorized by Construction Change Directives, or by interim determination of the Engineer, but not yet included in Change Orders.
  - **9.3.1.2** Such applications may not include requests for payment for portions of the Work for which the Contractor does not intend to pay to a Subcontractor or material supplier, unless such Work has been performed by others whom the Contractor intends to pay.
- **9.3.2** Unless otherwise provided in the Contract Documents, payments shall be made on account of materials and equipment delivered and suitably stored at the site for subsequent incorporation in the Work. If approved in advance by the Owner, payment may similarly be made for materials and equipment suitably stored off the site at a location agreed upon in writing. Payment for materials and equipment stored on or off the site shall be conditioned upon compliance by the Contractor with procedures satisfactory to the Owner to establish the Owner's title to such materials and equipment or otherwise protect the Owner's interest, and shall include the costs of applicable insurance, storage and transportation to the site for such materials and equipment stored off the site.
- **9.3.3** The Contractor warrants that title to all Work covered by an Application for Payment will pass to the Owner no later than the time of payment. The Contractor further warrants that upon submittal of an Application for Payment all Work for which Certificates for Payment have been previously issued and payments received from the Owner shall, to the best of the Contractor's knowledge, information and belief, be free and clear of liens, claims, security interests or encumbrances in favor of the Contractor, Subcontractors, material suppliers, or other persons or entities making a claim by reason of having provided

labor, materials and equipment relating to the Work.

#### 9.4 CERTIFICATES FOR PAYMENT

- **9.4.1** The Engineer will, within seven days after receipt of the Contractor's Application for Payment, either issue to the Owner a Certificate for Payment, with a copy to the Contractor, for such amount as the Engineer determines is properly due, or notify the Contractor and Owner in writing of the Engineer's reasons for withholding certification in whole or in part as provided in Subparagraph **9.5.1**.
- 9.4.2 The issuance of a Certificate for Payment will constitute a representation by the Engineer to the Owner, based on the Engineer's evaluation of the Work and the data comprising the Application for Payment, that the Work has progressed to the point indicated and that, to the best of the Engineer's knowledge, information and belief, the quality of the Work is in accordance with the Contract Documents. The foregoing representations are subject to an evaluation of the Work for conformance with the Contract Documents upon Substantial Completion, to results of subsequent tests and inspections, to correction of minor deviations from the Contract Documents prior to completion and to specific qualifications expressed by the Engineer. The issuance of a Certificate for Payment will further constitute a representation that the Contractor is entitled to payment in the amount certified. However, the issuance of a Certificate for Payment will not be a representation that the Engineer has (1) made exhaustive or continuous on-site inspections to check the quality or quantity of the Work, (2) reviewed construction means, methods, techniques, sequences or procedures, (3) reviewed copies of requisitions received from Subcontractors and material suppliers and other data requested by the Owner to substantiate the Contractor's right to payment, or (4) made examination to ascertain how or for what purpose the Contractor has used money previously paid on account of the Contract Sum.

#### 9.5 DECISIONS TO WITHHOLD CERTIFICATION

- **9.5.1** The Engineer may withhold a Certificate for Payment in whole or in part, to the extent reasonably necessary to protect the Owner, if in the Engineer's opinion the representations to the Owner required by Subparagraph **9.4.2** cannot be made. If the Engineer is unable to certify payment in the amount of the Application, the Engineer will notify the Contractor and Owner as provided in Subparagraph **9.4.1**. If the Contractor and Engineer cannot agree on a revised amount, the Engineer will promptly issue a Certificate for Payment for the amount for which the Engineer is able to make such representations to the Owner. The Engineer may also withhold a Certificate for Payment or, because of subsequently discovered evidence, may nullify the whole or a part of a Certificate for Payment previously issued, to such extent as may be necessary in the Engineer's opinion to protect the Owner from loss for which the Contractor is responsible, including loss resulting from acts and omissions described in Subparagraph **3.3.2**, because of:
  - 1 defective Work not remedied;
  - **2** third party claims filed or reasonable evidence indicating probable filing of such claims unless security acceptable to the Owner is provided by the Contractor;
  - **3** failure of the Contractor to make payments properly to Subcontractors or for labor, materials or equipment;
  - 4 reasonable evidence that the Work cannot be completed for the unpaid balance of the Contract Sum;
  - 5 damage to the Owner or another Contractor;
  - **6** reasonable evidence that the Work will not be completed within the Contract Time, and that the unpaid balance would not be adequate to cover actual or liquidated damages

for the anticipated delay; or

7 persistent failure to carry out the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents.

**9.5.2** When the above reasons for withholding certification are removed, certification will be made for. amounts previously withheld.

#### 9.6 PROGRE5S PAYMENTS

- **9.6.1** After the Engineer has issued a Certificate for Payment, the Owner shall make payment in the manner and within the time provided in the Contract Documents, and shall so notify the Engineer.
- **9.6.2** The Contractor shall promptly pay each Subcontractor, upon receipt of payment from the Owner, out of the amount paid to the Contractor on account of such Subcontractor's portion of the Work, the amount to which said Subcontractor is entitled, reflecting percentages actually retained from payments to the Contractor on account of such Subcontractor's portion of the Work. The Contractor shall, by appropriate agreement with each Subcontractor, require each Subcontractor to make payments to Sub-Subcontractors in a similar manner.
- **9.6.3** The Engineer will, on request, furnish to a Subcontractor, if practicable, information regarding percentages of completion or amounts applied for by the Contractor and action taken thereon by the Engineer and Owner on account of portions of the Work done by such Subcontractor.
- **9.6.4** Neither the Owner nor Engineer shall have an obligation to pay or to see to the payment of money to a Subcontractor except as may otherwise be required by law.
- **9.6.5** Payment to material suppliers shall be treated in a manner similar to that provided in Subparagraphs **9.6.2**, **9.6.3** and **9.6.4**.
- **9.6.6** A Certificate for Payment, a progress payment, or partial or entire use or occupancy of the Project by the Owner shall not constitute acceptance of Work not in accordance with the Contract Documents.
- **9.6.7** Unless the Contractor provides the Owner with a payment bond in the full penal sum of the Contract Sum, payments received by the Contractor for Work properly performed by Subcontractors and suppliers shall be held by the Contractor for those Subcontractors or suppliers who performed Work or furnished materials, or both, under contract with the Contractor for which payment was made by the Owner. Nothing contained herein shall require money to be placed in a separate account and not commingled with money of the Contractor, shall create any fiduciary liability or tort liability on the part of the Contractor for breach of trust or shall entitle any person or entity to an award of punitive damages against the Contractor for breach of the requirements of this provision.

#### 9.7 FAILURE OF PAYMENT

**9.7.1** If the Engineer does not issue a Certificate for Payment, through no fault of the Contractor, within seven days after receipt of the Contractor's Application for Payment, or if the Owner does not pay the Contractor within seven days after the date established in the Contract Documents the amount certified by the Engineer or awarded by arbitration, then the Contractor may, upon seven additional days' written notice to the Owner and Engineer, stop the Work until payment of the amount owing has been received. The Contract Time shall be extended appropriately and the Contract Sum shall be increased by the amount of the Contractor's reasonable costs of shut-down, delay and start-up, plus interest as provided for in the Contract Documents.

#### 9.8 SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETION

- **9.8.1** Substantial Completion is the stage in the progress of the Work when the Work or designated portion thereof is sufficiently complete in accordance with the Contract Documents so that the Owner can occupy or utilize the Work for its intended use.
- **9.8.2** When the Contractor considers that the Work, or a portion thereof which the Owner agrees to accept separately, is substantially complete, the Contractor shall prepare and submit to the Engineer a comprehensive list of items to be completed or corrected prior to final payment. Failure to include an item on such list does not alter the responsibility of the Contractor to complete all Work in accordance with the Contract Documents.
- **9.8.3** Upon receipt of the Contractor's list, the Engineer will make an inspection to determine whether the Work or designated portion thereof is substantially complete. If the Engineer's inspection discloses any item, whether or not included on the Contractor's list, which is not sufficiently complete in accordance with the Contract Documents so that the Owner can occupy or utilize the Work or designated portion thereof for its intended use, the Contractor shall, before issuance of the Certificate of Substantial Completion, complete or correct such item upon notification by the Engineer. In such case, the Contractor shall then submit a request for another inspection by the Engineer to determine Substantial Completion.
- **9.8.4** When the Work or designated portion thereof is substantially complete, the Engineer will prepare a Certificate of Substantial Completion which shall establish the date of Substantial Completion, shall establish responsibilities of the Owner and Contractor for security, maintenance, heat, utilities, damage to the Work and insurance, and shall fix the time within which the Contractor shall finish all items on the list accompanying the Certificate, Warranties required by the Contract Documents shall commence on the date of Substantial Completion of the Work or designated portion thereof unless otherwise provided in the Certificate of Substantial Completion.
- **9.8.5** The Certificate of Substantial Completion shall be submitted to the Owner and Contractor for their written acceptance of responsibilities assigned to them in such Certificate. Upon such acceptance and consent of surety, if any, the Owner shall make payment of retainage applying to such Work or designated portion thereof. Such payment shall be adjusted for Work that is incomplete or not in accordance with the requirements of the Contract Documents.

#### 9.9 PARTIAL OCCUPANCY OR USE

- **9.9.1** The Owner may occupy or use any completed or partially completed portion of the Work at any stage when such portion is designated by separate agreement with the Contractor, provided such occupancy or use is consented to by the insurer as required under Article **11** and authorized by public authorities having jurisdiction over the Work. Such partial occupancy or use may commence whether or not the portion is substantially complete, provided the Owner and Contractor have accepted in writing the responsibilities assigned to each of them for payments, retainage, if any, security, maintenance, heat, utilities, damage to the Work and insurance, and have agreed in writing concerning the period for correction of the Work and commencement of warranties required by the Contract Documents. When the Contractor considers a portion substantially complete, the Contractor shall prepare and submit a list to the Engineer as provided under Subparagraph **9.8.2.** Consent of the progress of the Work shall be determined by written agreement between the Owner and Contractor or, if no agreement is reached, by decision of the Engineer.
- 9.9.2 Immediately prior to such partial occupancy or use, the Owner, Contractor and Engineer

shall jointly inspect the area to be occupied or portion of the Work to be used in order to determine and record the condition of the Work.

**9.9.3** Unless otherwise agreed upon, partial occupancy or use of a portion or portions of the Work shall not constitute acceptance of Work not complying with the requirements of the Contract Documents.

#### 9.10 FINAL COMPLETION AND FINAL PAYMENT

- **9.10.1** Upon receipt of written notice that the Work is ready for final inspection and acceptance and upon receipt of a final Application for Payment, the Engineer will promptly make such inspection and, when the Engineer finds the Work acceptable under the Contract Documents and the Contract fully performed, the Engineer will promptly issue a final Certificate for Payment stating that to the best of the Engineer's knowledge, information and belief, and on the basis of the Engineer's on-site visits and inspections, the Work has been completed in accordance with terms and conditions of the Contract Documents and that the entire balance found to be due the Contractor and noted in the final Certificate is due and payable. The Engineer's final Certificate for Payment will constitute a further representation that conditions listed in Subparagraph **9.10.2** as precedent to the Contractor's being entitled to final payment have been fulfilled.
- 9.10.2 Neither final payment nor any remaining retained percentage shall become due until the Contractor submits to the Engineer (1) an affidavit that payrolls, bills for materials and equipment, and other indebtedness connected with the Work for which the Owner or the Owner's property might be responsible or encumbered (less amounts withheld by Owner) have been paid or otherwise satisfied, (2) a certificate evidencing that insurance required by the Contract Documents to remain in force after final payment is currently in effect and will not be canceled or allowed to expire until at least 30 days' prior written notice has been given to the Owner, (3) a written statement that the Contractor knows of no substantial reason that the insurance will not be renewable to cover the period required by the Contract Documents, (4) consent of surety, if any, to final payment and (5), if required by the Owner, other data establishing payment or satisfaction of obligations, such as receipts, releases and waivers of liens, claims, security interests or encumbrances arising out of the Contract, to the extent and in such form as may be designated by the Owner. If a Subcontractor refuses to furnish a release or waiver required by the Owner, the Contractor may furnish a bond satisfactory to the Owner to indemnify the Owner against such lien. If such lien remains unsatisfied after payments are made, the Contractor shall refund to the Owner all money that the Owner may be compelled to pay in discharging such lien, including all costs and reasonable attorneys' fees.
- **9.10.3** If, after Substantial Completion of the Work, final completion thereof is materially delayed through no fault of the Contractor or by issuance of Change Orders affecting final completion, and the Engineer so confirms, the Owner shall, upon application by the Contractor and certification by the Engineer, and without terminating the Contract, make payment of the balance due for that portion of the Work fully completed and accepted. If the remaining balance for Work not fully completed or corrected is less than retainage stipulated in the Contract Documents, and if bonds have been furnished, the written consent of surety to payment of the balance due for that portion of the Work fully completed and accepted and accepted shall be submitted by the Contractor to the Engineer prior to certification of such payment. Such payment shall be made under terms and conditions governing final payment, except that it shall not constitute a waiver of claims.
- 9.10.4 The making of final payment shall constitute a waiver of Claims by the Owner except

those arising from:

1 liens, claims, security interests or encumbrances arising out of the Contract and unsettled;

- 2 failure of the Work to comply with the requirements of the Contract Documents; or
- **3** terms of special warranties required by the Contract Documents.
- **9.10.5** Acceptance of final payment by the Contractor, a Subcontractor or material supplier shall constitute a waiver of claims by that payee except those previously made in writing and identified by that payee as unsettled at the time of final Application for Payment.

#### **ARTICLE 10: PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY**

#### 10.1 SAFETY PRECAUTIONS AND PROGRAMS

**10.1.1** The Contractor shall be responsible for initiating, maintaining and supervising all safety precautions and programs in connection with the performance of the Contract.

#### 10.2 <u>SAFETY OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY</u>

**10.2.1** The Contractor shall take reasonable precautions for safety of, and shall provide reasonable protection to prevent damage, injury or loss to:

1 employees on the Work and other persons who may be affected thereby;

- 2 the Work and materials and equipment to be incorporated therein, whether in storage on or off the site, under care, custody or control of the Contractor or the Contractor's Subcontractors or Sub-Subcontractors; and
- **3** other property at the site or adjacent thereto, such as trees, shrubs, lawns, walks, pavements, roadways, structures and utilities not designated for removal, relocation or replacement in the course of construction.
- **10.2.2** The Contractor shall give notices and comply with applicable laws, ordinances, rules, regulations and lawful orders of public authorities bearing on safety of persons or property or their protection from damage, injury or loss.
- **10.2.3** The Contractor shall erect and maintain, as required by existing conditions and performance of the Contract, reasonable safeguards for safety and protection, including posting danger signs and other warnings against hazards, promulgating safety regulations and notifying owners and users of adjacent sites and utilities.
- **10.2.4** When use or storage of explosives or other hazardous materials or equipment or unusual methods are necessary for execution of the Work, the Contractor shall exercise utmost care and carry on such activities under supervision of properly qualified personnel.
- 10.2.5 The Contractor shall promptly remedy damage and loss (other than damage or loss insured under property insurance required by the Contract Documents) to property referred to in Clauses 10.2.1.2 and 10.2.1.3 caused in whole or in part by the Contractor, a Subcontractor, a Sub-Subcontractor, or anyone directly or indirectly employed by any of them, or by anyone for whose acts they may be liable and for which the Contractor is responsible under Clauses 10.2.1.2 and 10.2 1 3, except damage or loss attributable to acts or omissions of the Owner or Engineer or anyone directly or indirectly employed by either of them, or by anyone for whose acts either of them may be liable, and not attributable to the fault or negligence of the Contractor. The foregoing obligations of the Contractor are in addition to the Contractor's obligations under Paragraph 3.18.
- **10.2.6** The Contractor shall designate a responsible member of the Contractor's organization at the site whose duty shall be the prevention of accidents. This person shall be the

Contractor's superintendent unless otherwise designated by the Contractor in writing to the Owner and Engineer.

**10.2.7** The Contractor shall not load or permit any part of the construction or site to be loaded so as to endanger its safety.

#### 10.3 <u>EMERGENCIES</u>

**10.3.1** In an emergency affecting safety of persons or property, the Contractor shall act, at the Contractor's discretion, to prevent threatened damage, injury or loss. Additional compensation or extension of time claimed by the Contractor on account of an emergency shall be determined as provided in Paragraph **4.3** and Article **7**.

#### **ARTICLE 11: INSURANCE AND BONDS**

#### 11.1 CONTRACTOR'S LIABILITY INSURANCE

**11.1.1** The Contractor shall purchase from and maintain in a company or companies lawfully authorized to do business in the jurisdiction in which the Project is located such insurance as will protect the Contractor from claims set forth below which may arise out of or result from the Contractor's operations under the Contract and for which the Contractor may be legally liable, whether such operations be by the Contractor or by a Subcontractor or by anyone directly or indirectly employed by any of them, or by anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable.

1 claims under workers' compensation, disability benefit and other similar employee benefit acts which are applicable to the Work to be performed;

- 2 claims for damages because of bodily injury, occupational sickness or disease, or death of the Contractor's employees;
- **3** claims for damages because of bodily injury, sickness or disease, or death of any person other than the Contractor's employees;
- 4 claims for damages insured by usual personal injury liability coverage;
- **5** claims for damages, other than to the Work itself, because of injury to or destruction of tangible property, including loss of use resulting therefrom;
- **6** claims for damages because of bodily injury, death of a person or property damage arising out of ownership, maintenance or use of a motor vehicle;
- 7 claims for bodily injury or property damage arising out of completed operations; and
- **8** claims involving contractual liability insurance applicable to the Contractor's obligations under Paragraph **3.18**.
- **11.1.2** The insurance required by Subparagraph **11.1.1** shall be written for not less than limits of liability specified in the Contract Documents or required by law, whichever coverage is greater. Coverages, whether written on an occurrence or claims-made basis, shall be maintained without interruption from date of commencement of the Work until date of final payment and termination of any coverage required to be maintained after final payment.
- 11.1.3 Certificates of insurance acceptable to the Owner shall be filed with the Owner prior to commencement of the Work. These certificates and the insurance policies required by this Paragraph 11.1 shall contain a provision that coverages afforded under the policies will not be canceled or allowed to expire until at least 30 days prior written notice has been given to the Owner. If any of the foregoing insurance coverages are required to remain in force after final payment and are reasonably available, an additional certificate evidencing continuation of such coverage shall be submitted with the final Application for Payment as required by Subparagraph 9.10.2. Information concerning reduction of coverage on account

of revised limits or claims paid under the General Aggregate, or both, shall be furnished by the Contractor with reasonable promptness in accordance with the Contractor's information and belief.

#### 11.2 INDEMNIFICATION AND INSURANCE

- 11.2.1. Contractor agrees to save harmless, indemnify, and defend Owner and its, agents, officers and employees from any and all claims, losses, penalties, interest, demands, judgments, and costs of suit, including attorneys fees and paralegals' fees, for any expense, damage or liability incurred by any of them, whether for personal injury, death, property damage, direct or consequential damages, or economic loss, including environmental impairment, arising directly or indirectly on account of or in connection with the work done by Contractor under this agreement or by any person, firm or corporation (including but not limited to the Engineer/engineer) to whom any portion of the work is subcontracted by Contractor or resulting from the use by Contractor, or by any one for whom Contractor is legally liable, of any materials, tools, machinery or other property of Owner. Owner and Contractor agree the first \$100.00 of the contract amount paid by Owner to Contractor shall be given as separate consideration for this indemnification, and any other indemnification of Owner by Contractor provided for within the Contract Documents, the sufficiency of such separate consideration being acknowledged by Contractor by Contractor's acceptance and execution of the agreement. The Contractor's obligation shall not be limited by, or in any way to, any insurance coverage or by any provision in or exclusion or omission from any policy of insurance. The Contractor agrees to pay on behalf of Santa Rosa County, as well as provide a legal defense for the Owner, both of which will be done only if and when requested by the Owner, for all claims made. Such payment on the behalf of the Owner shall be in addition to any and all other legal remedies available to the Owner and shall not be considered to be the Owner's exclusive remedy.
- 11.2.2. Contractor shall obtain and carry, at all times during its performance under the Contract Documents, insurance of the types and in the amounts set forth in Article 11. All insurance policies shall be from responsible companies duly authorized to do business in the State of Florida and/or responsible risk retention group insurance companies or trusts which are registered with the State of Florida. Foreign or offshore insurance carriers are not acceptable for work under this contract unless admitted to the State of Florida. All commercial insurance carriers providing the Contractor with required insurance shall be "A" (excellent) rated with a minimum financial size category of "IX", according to the A. M. Best Key Rating Guide, latest edition. Within ten (10) calendar days after notice of award is received by Contractor and prior to the commencement of work, Contractor shall provide Owner with properly executed certificates of insurance to evidence Contractor's compliance with the insurance requirements of the Contract Documents. Said certificates of insurance shall be on forms approved by Owner, such as "Acord Form 25". The certificates of insurance shall be personally, manually signed by the authorized representatives of the insurance company/companies shown on the certificates of insurance, with proof that they are authorized representatives thereof. Certificates of insurance shall be mailed to Santa Rosa County Board of County Commissioners in care of: Daniel J. Schebler, County Administrator, 6495 Caroline Street, Suite D, Milton, Florida 32570. In addition, true and exact copies of all insurance policies required hereunder shall be provided to Owner, on a timely basis, when requested by Owner.
- **11.2.3.** The certificates of insurance and required insurance policies shall contain provisions that thirty (30) days prior written notice by registered or certified mail shall be given Owner of any cancellation, intent not to renew, or reduction in the policies or coverages, except in the application of the aggregate limits provisions. In the event of a reduction in the

aggregate limit of any policy, Contractor shall immediately take steps to have the aggregate limit reinstated to the full extent permitted under such policy.

- **11.2.4.** All insurance coverages of the Contractor shall be primary to any insurance or self insurance program carried by the Owner applicable to this project. The acceptance by Owner of any certificate of insurance does not constitute approval or agreement by the Owner that the insurance requirements have been satisfied or that the insurance policy shown on the certificate of insurance is in compliance with the requirements of the Contract Documents. No work shall commence at the project site unless and until the required certificates of insurance are received by the Owner
- **11.2.5.** Contractor shall require each of its Subcontractors to procure and maintain, until the completion of the Subcontractor's work, insurance of the types and to the limits specified in Article **11**, unless such insurance requirements for the Subcontractor is expressly waived in writing by the Owner. All liability insurance policies, other than professional liability, worker's compensation and employer's liability policies, obtained by Contractor to meet the requirements of the Contract Documents shall name the Santa Rosa County Board of County Commissioners as an additional insured and shall contain severability of interest provisions. The Board of County Commissioners shall also be designated as certificate holder with the address of 6495 Caroline Street, Suite M, Milton, Florida 32570. If any insurance provided pursuant to the Contract Documents expires prior to the completion of the work, renewal certificates of insurance and, if requested by Owner, certified, true copies of the renewal policies, shall be furnished by Contractor within thirty (30) days prior to the date of expiration. Upon expiration of an insurance policy term during the course of work under the contract, succeeding insurance policies shall be consecutive to the expiring policy.
- **11.2.6** All liability policies shall be underwritten on the "occurrence" basis, unless otherwise approved in writing by the county division of risk management. "Claims made" policies, if approved by the risk manager, and subsequent insurance certificates shall provide a "retro-date" which shall include the effective date of the contract. "Claims-made" renewals or carrier and policy replacements shall reflect the original "retro-date."
- **11.2.7** Should at any time the Contractor not maintain the insurance coverages required herein, the Owner may terminate the agreement or at its sole discretion shall be authorized to purchase such coverages and charge the Contractor for such coverages purchased. The Owner shall be under no obligation to purchase such insurance, nor shall it be responsible for the coverages purchased or the insurance company or companies used. The decision of the Owner to purchase such insurance coverages shall in no way be construed to be a waiver of any of its rights under the Contract Documents.
- **11.2.8** Contractor shall submit to Owner a copy of all accident reports arising out of any personal injuries or property damages arising or alleged to have arisen on account of any work by Contractor or Subcontractor under the Contract Documents.
- 11.2.9 Duty to Provide Legal Defense. The Contractor agrees to pay, to Santa Rosa County, as well as provide a legal defense for the Owner, which shall include attorneys' fees and costs, both of which will be done only if and when requested by the Owner, for all claims as described in paragraph 13.1. Such payment on the behalf of the Owner shall be in addition to any and all other legal remedies available to the Owner and shall not be considered to be the Owner's exclusive remedy.

#### 11.3 PERFORMANCE BOND AND PAYMENT BOND

#### 11.3.1 BONDS

- **11.3.1.1** Contractor shall provide performance and payment bonds, in the form prescribed in Exhibit B, in the amount of 100% of the contract amount, the costs of which to be paid by Contractor. The performance and payment bonds shall be underwritten by a surety authorized to do business in the State of Florida and otherwise acceptable to Owner; provided; however, the surety shall be rated as "A" or better and Class XII or higher rating as to financial size category and the amount required shall not exceed 2% of the reported policy holders surplus, all as reported in the most current best key rating guide, published by A.M. Best Company, Inc. of 75 Fulton Street, New York, New York 10038.
- **11.3.1.2** If the surety for any bond furnished by Contractor is declared bankrupt, becomes insolvent, its right to do business is terminated in the State of Florida, or it ceases to meet the requirements imposed by the Contract Document, the Contractor shall, within five (5) calendar days thereafter, substitute another bond and surety, both of which shall be subject to the Owner's approval.
- **11.3.1.3** As per Florida Statutes, Section 255.05, the Contractor shall be required to execute and record the performance and payment bonds. The bonds must state the name and principal business address of both the principal and the surety and a description of the project sufficient to identify it.

#### **ARTICLE 12: UNCOVERING AND CORRECTION OF WORK**

#### 12.1 UNCOVERING OF WORK

- **12.1.1** If a portion of the Work is covered contrary to the Engineer's request or to requirements specifically expressed in the Contract Documents, it must, if required in writing by the Engineer, be uncovered for the Engineer's examination and be replaced at the Contractor's expense without change in the Contract Time.
- **12.1.2** If a portion of the Work has been covered which the Engineer has not specifically requested to examine prior to its being covered, the Engineer may request to see such Work and it shall be unc9vered by the Contractor. If such Work is in accordance with the Contract Documents, costs of uncovering and replacement shall, by appropriate Change Order, be at the Owner's expense. If such Work is not in accordance with the Contract Documents, correction shall be at the Contractor's expense unless the condition was caused by the Owner or a separate Contractor in which event the Owner shall be responsible for payment of such costs.

#### 12.2 CORRECTION OF WORK

#### **12.2.1** BEFORE OR AFTER SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETION

**12.2.1.1** The Contractor shall promptly correct Work rejected by the Engineer or failing to conform to the requirements of the Contract Documents, whether discovered before or after Substantial Completion and whether or not fabricated, installed or completed. Costs of correcting such rejected Work, including additional testing and inspections and compensation for the Engineer's services and expenses made necessary thereby, shall be at the Contractor's expense.

#### **12.2.2** AFTER SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETION

**12.2.2.1** In addition to the Contractor's obligations under Paragraph **3.5**, if, within one year after the date of Substantial Completion of the Work or designated portion thereof or after the date for commencement of warranties established under Subparagraph **9.9.1**, or by terms of an applicable special warranty required by the Contract Documents, any of the Work is found to be not in accordance with the requirements of the Contract

Documents, the Contractor shall correct it promptly after receipt of written notice from the Owner to do so unless the Owner has previously given the Contractor a written acceptance of such condition. The Owner shall give such notice promptly after discovery of the condition. During the one- year period for correction of Work, if the Owner fails to notify the Contractor and give the Contractor an opportunity to make the correction, the Owner waives the rights to require correction by the Contractor and to make a claim for breach of warranty. If the Contractor fails to correct nonconforming Work within a reasonable time during that period after receipt of notice from the Owner or Engineer, the Owner may correct it in accordance with Paragraph **2.4**.

- **12.2.2** The one-year period for correction of Work shall be extended with respect to portions of Work first performed after Substantial Completion by the period of time between Substantial Completion and the actual performance of the Work.
- **12.2.2.3** The one-year period for correction of Work shall not be extended by corrective Work performed by the Contractor pursuant to this Paragraph **12.2.**
- **12.2.3** The Contractor shall remove from the site portions of the Work which are not in accordance with the requirements of the Contract Documents and are neither corrected by the Contractor nor accepted by the Owner.
- **12.2.4** The Contractor shall bear the cost of correcting destroyed or damaged construction, whether completed or partially completed, of the Owner or separate Contractors caused by the Contractor's correction or removal of Work which is not in accordance with the requirements of the Contract Documents.
- 12.2.5 Nothing contained in this Paragraph 12.2 shall be construed to establish a period of limitation with respect to other obligations which the Contractor might have under the Contract Documents. Establishment of the one-year period for correction of Work as described in Subparagraph 12.2.2 relates only to the specific obligation of the Contractor to correct the Work, and has no relationship to the time within which the obligation to comply with the Contract Documents may be sought to be enforced, nor to the time within which proceedings may be commenced to establish the Contractor's liability with respect to the Contractor's obligations other than specifically to correct the Work.

#### 12.3 ACCEPTANCE OF NONCONFORMING WORK

**12.3.1** If the Owner prefers to accept Work which is not in accordance with the requirements of the Contract Documents, the Owner may do so instead of requiring its removal and correction, in which case the Contract Sum will be reduced as appropriate and equitable. Such adjustment shall be effected whether or not final payment has been made.

#### **ARTICLE 13: MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS**

#### 13.1 GOVERNING LAW

13.1.1 The Contract shall be governed by the law of the place where the Project is located.

#### 13.2 SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS

13.2.1 The Owner and Contractor respectively bind themselves, their partners, successors, assigns and legal representatives to the other party hereto and to partners, successors, assigns and legal representatives of such other party in respect to covenants, agreements and obligations contained in the Contract Documents. Except as provided in Subparagraph 13.2.2, neither party to the Contract shall assign the Contract as a whole without written consent of the other. If either party attempts to make such an assignment without such consent, that party shall nevertheless remain legally responsible for all obligations under the Contract.

**13.2.2** The Owner may, without consent of the Contractor, assign the Contract to an institutional lender providing construction financing for the Project. In such event, the lender shall assume the Owner's rights and obligations under the Contract Documents. The Contractor shall execute all consents reasonably required to facilitate such assignment.

#### 13.3 WRITTEN NOTICE

**13.3.1** Written notice shall be deemed to have been duly served if delivered in person to the individual or a member of the firm or entity or to an officer of the corporation for which it was intended, or if delivered at or sent by registered or certified mail to the last business address known to the party giving notice.

#### 13.4 <u>RIGHTS AND REMEDIES</u>

- **13.4.1** Duties and obligations imposed by the Contract Documents and rights and remedies available thereunder shall be in addition to and not a limitation of duties, obligations, rights and remedies otherwise imposed or available by law.
- **13.4.2** No action or failure to act by the Owner, Engineer or Contractor shall constitute a waiver of a right or duty afforded them under the Contract, nor shall such action or failure to act constitute approval of or acquiescence in a breach thereunder, except as may be specifically agreed in writing.

#### 13.5 TESTS AND INSPECTIONS

- **13.5.1** Tests, inspections and approvals of portions of the Work required by the Contract Documents or by laws, ordinances, rules, regulations or orders of public authorities having jurisdiction shall be made at an appropriate time. Unless otherwise provided, the Contractor shall make arrangements for such tests, inspections and approvals with an independent testing laboratory or entity acceptable to the Owner, or with the appropriate public authority, and shall bear all related costs of tests, inspections and approvals. The Contractor shall give the Engineer timely notice of when and where tests and inspections are to be made so that the Engineer may be present for such procedures. The Owner shall bear costs of tests, inspections or approvals which do not become requirements until after bids are received or negotiations concluded.
- 13.5.2 If the Engineer, Owner or public authorities having jurisdiction determine that portions of the Work require additional testing, inspection or approval not included under Subparagraph 13.5.1, the Engineer will, upon written authorization from the Owner, instruct the Contractor to make arrangements for such additional testing, inspection or approval by an entity acceptable to the Owner, and the Contractor shall give timely notice to the Engineer of when and where tests and inspections are to be made so that the Engineer may be present for such procedures. Such costs, except as provided in Subparagraph 13.5.3, shall be at the Owner's expense.
- 13.5.3 If such procedures for testing, inspection or approval under Subparagraphs 13.5.1 and 13.5.2 reveal failure of the portions of the Work to comply with requirements established by the Contract Documents, all costs made necessary by such failure including those of repeated procedures and compensation for the Engineer's services and expenses shall be at the Contractor's expense.
- **13.5.4** Required certificates of testing, inspection or approval shall, unless otherwise required by the Contract Documents, be secured by the Contractor and promptly delivered to the Engineer.
- **13.5.5** If the Engineer is to observe tests, inspections or approvals required by the Contract Documents, the Engineer will do so promptly and, where practicable, at the normal place of testing.

**13.5.6** Tests or inspections conducted pursuant to the Contract Documents shall be made promptly to avoid unreasonable delay in the Work.

#### 13.6 INTEREST

**13.6.1** Payments due and unpaid under the Contract Documents shall bear interest from the date payment is due at such rate as the parties may agree upon in writing or, in the absence thereof, at the legal rate prevailing from time to time at the place where the Project is located.

#### 13.7 <u>COMMENCEMENT OF STATUTORY LIMITATION PERIOD</u>

- 13.7.1 As between the Owner and Contractor:
  - 1 Before Substantial Completion. As to acts or failures to act occurring prior to the relevant date of Substantial Completion, any applicable statute of limitations shall commence to run and any alleged cause of action shall be deemed to have accrued in any and all events not later than such date of Substantial Completion;
  - **2** Between Substantial Completion and Final Certificate for Payment. As to acts or failures to act occurring subsequent to the relevant date of Substantial Completion and prior to issuance of the final Certificate for Payment, any applicable statute of limitations shall commence to run and any alleged cause of action shall be deemed to have accrued in any and all events not later than the date of issuance of the final Certificate for Payment; and
  - 3 After Final Certificate for Payment. As to acts or failures to act occurring after the relevant date of issuance of the final Certificate for Payment, any applicable statute of limitations shall commence to run and any alleged cause of action shall be deemed to have accrued in any and all events not later than the date of any act or failure to act by the Contractor pursuant to any Warranty provided under Paragraph 3.5, the date of any correction of the Work or failure to correct the Work by the Contractor under Paragraph 12.2, or the date of actual commission of any other act or failure to perform any duty or obligation by the Contractor or Owner, whichever occurs last.

#### **ARTICLE 14: TERMINATION OR SUSPENSION OF THE CONTRACT**

#### 14.1 TERMINATION BY THE CONTRACTOR

- 14.1.1 The Contractor may terminate the Contract if the Work is stopped for a period of 30 consecutive days through no act or fault of the Contractor or a Subcontractor, Sub-Subcontractor or their agents or employees or any other persons or entities performing portions of the Work under direct or indirect contract with the Contractor, for any of the following reasons.
  - 1 issuance of an order of a court or other public authority having jurisdiction which requires all Work to be stopped;
  - 2 an act of government, such as a declaration of national emergency which requires all Work to be stopped;
  - 3 because the Engineer has not issued a Certificate for Payment and has not notified the Contractor of the reason for withholding certification as provided in Subparagraph 9.4.1, or because the Owner has not made payment on a Certificate for Payment within the time stated in the Contract Documents; or
  - 4 the Owner has failed to furnish to the Contractor promptly, upon the Contractor's request, reasonable evidence as required by Subparagraph 2.2.1.
  - **14.1.2** The Contractor may terminate the Contract if, through no act or fault of the Contractor or a Subcontractor, Sub- Subcontractor or their agents or employees or any other persons

or entities performing portions of the Work under direct or indirect contract with the Contractor, repeated suspensions, delays or interruptions of the entire Work by the Owner as described in Paragraph 14.3 constitute in the aggregate more than 100 percent of the total number of days scheduled for completion, or 60 days in any 365-day period, whichever is less.

- 14.1.3 If one of the reasons described in Subparagraph 14.1.1 or 14.1.2 exists, the Contractor may, upon seven days' written notice to the Owner and Engineer, terminate the Contract and recover from the Owner only as provided in Subparagraph 14.3.1.
- **14.1.4** If the Work is stopped for a period of 60 consecutive days through no act or fault of the Contractor or a Subcontractor or their agents or employees or any other persons performing portions of the Work under contract with the Contractor because the Owner has persistently failed to fulfill the Owner's obligations under the Contract Documents with respect to matters important to the progress of the Work, the Contractor may, upon seven additional days' written notice to the Owner and the Engineer, terminate the Contract and recover from the Owner only as provided in Subparagraph 14.3.1.

#### 14.2 **TERMINATION FOR DEFAULT**

- **14.2.1** Contractor shall be considered in material default of the agreement and such default shall be considered cause for Owner to terminate the agreement, in whole or in part, as further set forth in this section, if Contractor: (1) fails to begin the work under the Contract Documents within the time specified herein; or (2) fails to properly and timely perform the work as directed by the Owner or as provided for in the approved progress schedule; or (3) performs the work unsuitably or neglects or refuses to remove materials or to correct or replace such work as may be rejected as unacceptable or unsuitable; or (4) discontinues the prosecution of the work; or (5) fails to resume work which has been suspended within a reasonable time after being notified to do so; or (6) becomes insolvent or is declared bankrupt, or commits any act of bankrupt; or (7) allows any final judgment to stand against it unsatisfied for more than ten (10) days; or (8) makes an assignment for the benefit of creditors; or (9) fails to obey any applicable codes, laws, ordinances, rules or regulations with respect to the work; or (10) materially breaches any other provision of the Contract Documents.
- **14.2.2** Owner shall notify Contractor in writing of Contractor's default(s). If Owner determines that Contractor has not remedied and cured the default(s) within seven (7) calendar days following receipt by Contractor of said written notice, then Owner, at its option, without releasing or waiving its rights and remedies against the Contractor's sureties and without prejudice to any other right or remedy it may be entitled to hereunder or by law, may terminate Contractor's right to proceed under the agreement, in whole or in part, and take possession of all or any portion of the work and any materials, tools, equipment, and appliances of Contractor, take assignments of any of Contractor's work by whatever means, method or agency which Owner, in its sole discretion, may choose.
- **14.2.3** If Owner deems any of the foregoing remedies necessary, Contractor agrees that is shall not be entitled to receive any further payments hereunder until after the project is completed. All monies expended and all of the costs, losses, damages and extra expenses, including all management, administrative and other overhead and other direct and indirect expenses (including attorneys' fees) or damages incurred by Owner incident to such completion, shall be deducted from the contract amount, and if such expenditures exceed the unpaid balance of the contract amount, Contractor agrees to pay promptly to Owner

on demand the full amount of such excess, including costs of collection, attorney's fees (including appeals) and interest thereon at the maximum legal rate of interest until paid. If the unpaid balance of the contract amount exceeds all such costs, expenditures and damages incurred by the Owner to complete the work, such excess shall be paid to the Contractor. The amount to be paid to the Contractor or Owner, as the case may be, and this obligation for payment shall survive termination of the agreement.

- **14.2.4**. The liability of Contractor hereunder shall extend to and include the full amount of any and all sums paid, expenses and losses incurred, damages sustained, and obligations assumed by Owner in good faith under the belief that such payments or assumptions were necessary or required, in completing the work and providing labor, materials, equipment, supplies, and other items therefor or re-letting the work, in settlement, discharge or compromise of any claims, demands, suits, and judgments pertaining to or arising out of the work hereunder.
- **14.2.5** If, after notice of termination of Contractor's right to proceed pursuant to this section, it is determined for any reason that Contractor was not in default, or that its default was excusable, or that Owner is not entitled to the remedies against Contractor provided herein, then Contractor's remedies against Owner shall be the same as and limited to those afforded Contractor below under subsection **14.3.1**, termination for convenience.

#### 14.3 TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE AND RIGHT OF SUSPENSION

- 14.3.1. Owner shall have the right to terminate this agreement without cause upon seven (7) calendar days written notice to Contractor. In the event of such termination for convenience, Contractor's recovery against Owner shall be limited to that portion of the contract amount earned through the date of termination, together with any retainage withheld and reasonable termination expenses incurred, but Contractor shall not be entitled to any other or further recovery against Owner, including, but not limited to, damages or any anticipated profit on portions of the work not performed.
- 14.3.2. Owner shall have the right to suspend all or any portions of the work upon giving Contractor two (2) calendar days' prior written notice of such suspension. If all or any portion of the work is so suspended, Contractor's sole and exclusive remedy shall be to seek an extension of time to its schedule in accordance with the procedures set forth in the Contract Documents. In no event shall the Contractor be entitled to any additional compensation or damages. Provided, however, if the ordered suspension exceeds three (3) months, the Contractor shall have the right to terminate the agreement with respect to that portion of the work which is subject to the ordered suspension.

#### SANTA ROSA COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS SUPPLEMENTAL PROVISIONS

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#### **ARTICLE 1: SUPPLEMENTAL PROVISIONS**

#### 1.0 GENERAL CONDITIONS:

The following conditions supplement, modify, change, delete from or add to the General Provisions of the Contract, Articles 1 through 14. Where an Article of the General Provisions is modified or a Paragraph, Subparagraph, or Clause thereof is modified or deleted by these supplements, the unaltered provisions of that Article, Paragraph, Subparagraph, or Clause shall remain in effect.

#### 2.0 FORM OF CONTRACT AND BONDS:

The contract form as furnished by Santa Rosa County shall be utilized. Performance and Payment Bond forms as approved by Santa Rosa County shall be utilized.

#### 3.0 MATERIALS:

Whenever "or approved equal" is indicated, items proposed for use shall be submitted for Engineer's approval. Wherever an item or class of material is specified exclusively by trade name or by name of the maker or by catalog reference, only such items shall be used unless previously approved through addenda by the Engineer. Should the Contractor desire to substitute another material for one or more specified by name they shall state the credit or extra involved by the use of such material, in their bid. No such materials shall be used unless approved in writing by the Engineer.

#### 4.0 PROGRESS CHART:

Within ten (10) days after receipt of signed Contract the Contractor shall file with the Engineer a progress chart showing the order in which the Contractor proposes to accomplish the work, the dates on which he proposes to begin the various parts of the work and the dates he contemplates completing them.

#### 5.0 TIME FOR COMPLETION:

Time for completion of all work included in this contract shall not exceed **60 days** from date of written Notice to proceed. The number of days allowed does not include an allowance for calendar days missed due to weather. Extension of time will be allowed for delays due to weather if properly documented and reported to the Engineer.

#### 6.0 PRECONSTRUCTION CONFERENCE:

Within ten (10) days after the effective date of the agreement, but before Contractor starts the work at the Project site, a conference will be held for review and acceptance of the schedules referred to in paragraph 4.0, to establish procedures for processing applications for payment, and to establish a working understanding among the parties as to the work.

#### 7.0 <u>RECORD KEEPING</u>

The Contractor shall maintain all relevant project records for three years after the Owner has made final payment to the Contractor.

## **SECTION IV.**

# PROJECT MANUAL, SPECIFICATIONS, PLANS AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

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### Project Summary Quintette Road EWP Drainage Project

#### Project Scope of Work

Quintette Road (CR 184) is located in Santa Rosa County near Pace, FL. It is the primary east and west corridor between Santa Rosa and Escambia Counties. The roadway is a two lane rural roadway with 12 foot lanes and 4 foot grass shoulders. The project area is located between Seven Mile Creek to the east and Renfroe Road to the west.

During Hurricane Sally in 2020, the roadway experienced heavy rains that caused erosion to occur. The south side of the roadway experienced a washout of the shoulder and guardrail near an existing drainage pipe located at the low point of the roadway. Damages were documented in September 2020 following the storm event. Funding for emergency repairs is being obtained through the EWP program with NRCS. The proposed improvements will include removal of existing drainage pipes and structures and installing shoulder gutter, drainage structures, piping, concrete ditch pavement, stabilization and guardrail work.

# **TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS**

# **Quintette Road EWP Project**

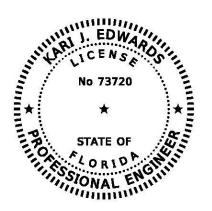
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**Rebecca Jones, P.E. County Engineer** 

Prepared by: American Consulting Engineers of Florida, LLC 4489 Woodbine Rd. Pace, FL 32571



THIS ITEM HAS BEEN DIGITALLY SIGNED AND SEALED BY:

ON THE DATE ADJACENT TO THE SEAL.

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ENGINEER OF RECORD: KARI J. EDWARDS, PE PE NO. 73720 (850) 289-1013 AMERICAN CONSULTING ENGINEERS OF FLORIDA, LLC 4489 WOODBINE ROAD PACE, FLORIDA 32571

## **TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS**

Governing Standards and Specification shall be Florida Department of Transportation, Standard Plans dated FY 2021-22. And Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction dated July 2021, as amended by contract documents.

For Standard Plans for Road Construction follow the link: https://www.fdot.gov/design/standardplans/current/default.shtm

For the Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction click on the "Specifications" link at the following website:

http://www.fdot.gov/programmanagement/implemented/SpecBooks

#### **Specifications identified for this project include:**

- Section 100 Construction Equipment General Requirements
- Section 101 Mobilization
- Section 102 Maintenance of Traffic
- Section 104 Prevention, Control and Abatement of Erosion and Water Pollution
- Section 105 Contractor Quality Control General Requirements
- Section 110 Clearing and Grubbing
- Section 120 Excavation and Embankment
- Section 125 Excavation for Structures and Pipe
- Section 160 Stabilizing
- Section 162 Prepared Soil Layer
- Section 339 Miscellaneous Asphalt Pavement
- Section 425 Inlets, Manholes, and Junction Boxes
- Section 430 Pipe Culverts
- Section 520 Concrete Gutter, Curb Elements, and Traffic Separator
- Section 524 Concrete Ditch and Slope Pavement
- Section 530 Revetment Systems
- Section 536 Guardrail
- Section 570 Performance Turf
- Section 911 Base and Stabilized Base Materials
- Section 914 Stabilizing Materials
- Section 981 Turf Materials
- Section 982 Fertilizer
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- Section 985 Geosynthetic Materials
- Section 987 Soil Layer Materials
- Section 990 Temporary Traffic Control Device Materials

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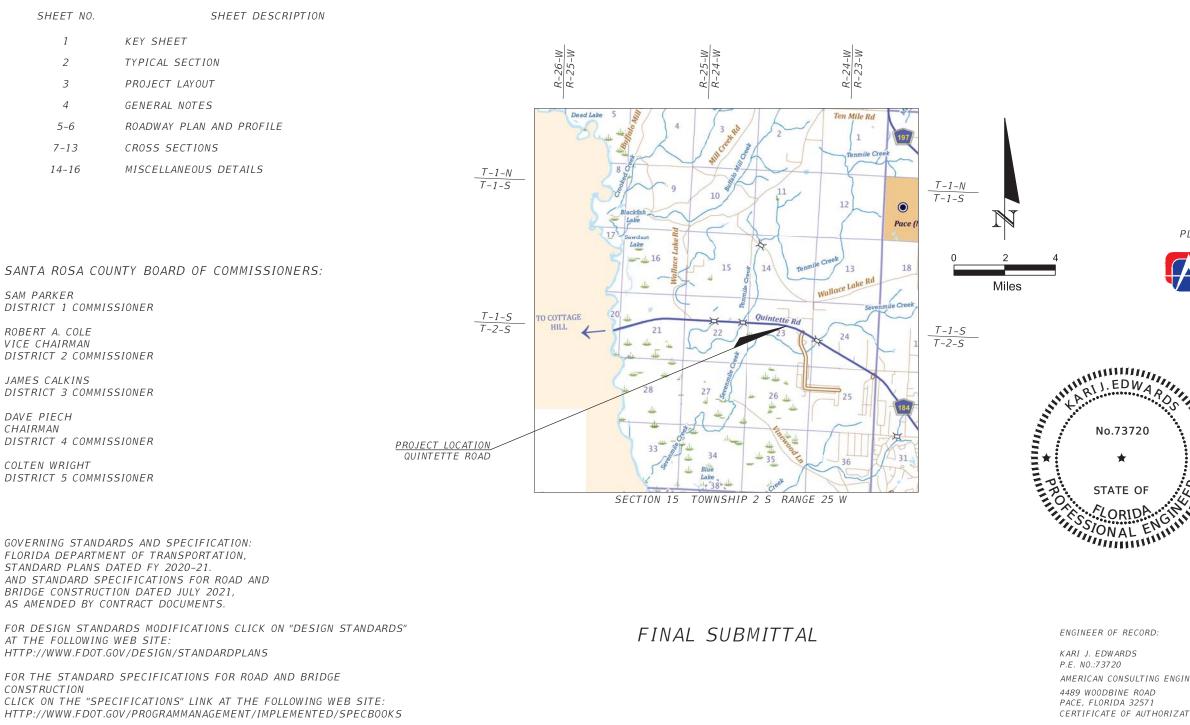
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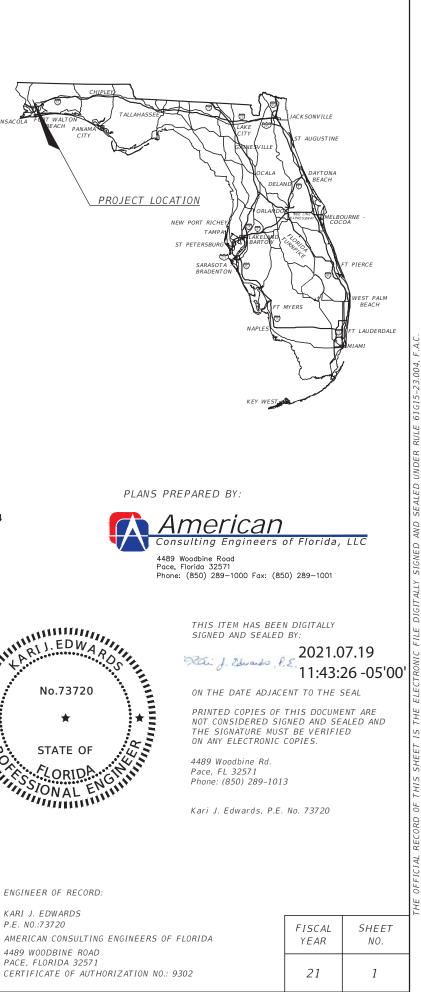
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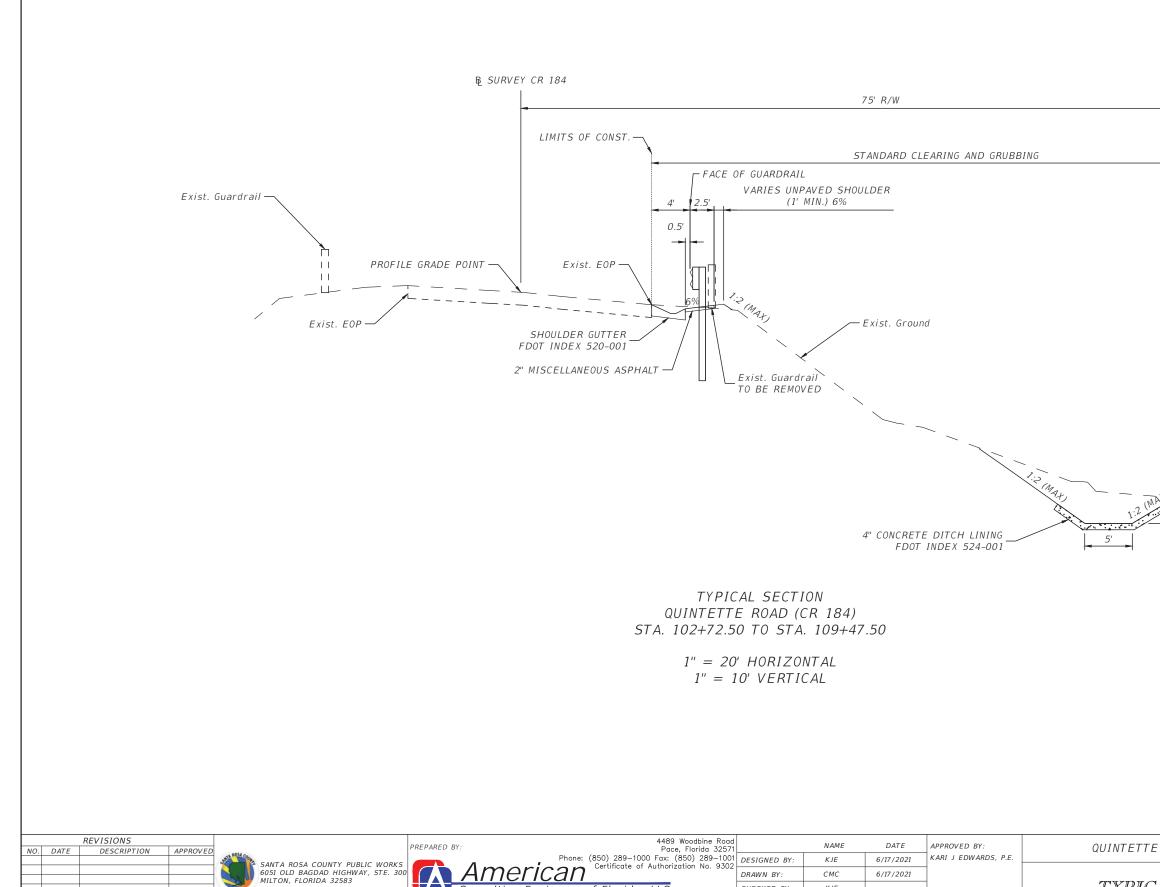


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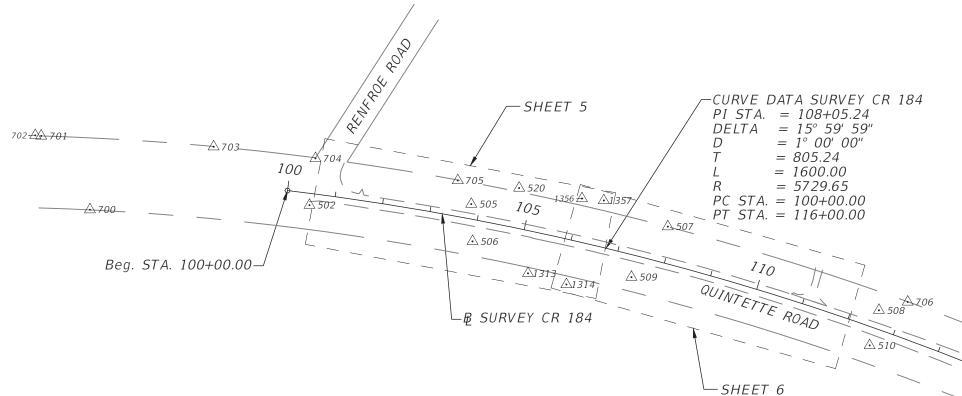
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GENERAL NOTES:

- 1. VERTICAL INFORMATION SHOWN HEREON REFERS TO A NATIONAL GEODETIC SURVEY (NGS) POINT WITH DESIGNATION "SRC 1007", PID NUMBER AA8863 AND HAS A PUBLISHED ELEVATION OF 21.00 AND O POINT WITH DESIGNATION "SRC 1008", PIO NUMBER M8864 OND HOS A PUBLISHED ELEVATION OF 24.00 FEET NORTH AMERICAN VERTICAL DATUM OF 1988 (NAV088).
- 2.HORIZONTAL POSITIONS FOR ALL FEATURES SHOWN ON THE MAP ARE RELATIVE TO NORTH AMERICAN DATUM OF 1983 (NAD83), 2007 ADJUSTMENT, STATE PLANE COORDINATE SYSTEM, FLORIDA NORTH ZONE, CONTROL POINT USED FOR THIS SURVEY ARE NATIONAL GEODETIC SURVEY (NGS) POINTS PID# M886.3 (DESIGNATION - SRC 1007); AND POINTS PIO# AA8864 (DESIGNATION - SRC 1008), DISTANCES SHOWN ARE GRID DISTANCES.
- 3. UNDERGROUND UTILITIES AS SHOWN HEREON ARE BASED ON ABOVE GROUND MARKINGS, PAINTING, FLAGGING AND/OR OTHER VISIBLE EVIDENCE AS MARKED BY OTHERS, EXISTING AT THE TIME OF FIELD SURVEY.

4. THERE ARE NO SPECIAL EVENT DAYS FOR THIS PROJECT.

- 5. THE CONTRACTOR IS RESPONSIBLE FOR VERIFYING ALL PLAN DIMENSIONS AND SITE CONDITIONS, AND IS TO NOTIFY THE COUNTY OF SANTA ROSA AND/OR THE ENGINEER OF ANY DISCREPANCIES BETWEEN THE SITE CONDITIONS AND INFORMATION SHOWN ON THE PLANS PRIOR TO COMMENCING WORK.
- 6.THE CONTRACTOR SHALL PROVIDE CONTINUOUS TRAFFIC ACCESS TO ADJOINING PROPERTIES ALONG THE ENTIRE LENGTH OF THE PROJECT.
- 7. ALL VEHICLES, EQUIPMENT, WORKERS, AND THEIR ACTIVITIES SHALL BE RESTRICTED TO ONE SIDE OF THE ROAD ALL TIMES.
- 8.LANE CLOSURES ARE PROHIBITED BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 6:00 AM TO 8:30 AM OR 2:00 PM TO 4:30 PM MONDAY THRU FRIDAY WHILE SCHOOL IS IN SESSION AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH FDOT SPECIFICATIONS FOR HOLIDAYS.
- 9.IT IS NOT THE INTENT OF THESE PLANS TO SHOW ALL TEMPORARY EROSION CONTROL, TEMPORARY DRAINAGE, AND INCIDENTAL CONSTRUCTION NECESSARY TO PREVENT EROSION. THE CONTRACTOR IS TO PROVIDE EROSION CONTROL / SEDIMENTATION BARRIERS (SYNTHETIC BALES OR SILTATION CURTAIN) TO PREVENT SILTATION OF ADJACENT PROPERTY, STREETS, STORM SEWERS AND WATERWAYS. IN ADDITION, THE CONTRACTOR SHALL PLACE STRAW, MULCH, OR OTHER SUITABLE MATERIAL ON THE GROUND IN AREAS WHERE CONSTRUCTION RELATED TRAFFIC IS TO ENTER AND EXIT SITE. IF IN THE OPINION OF THE ENGINEER AND/OR LOCAL AUTHORITIES, EXCESSIVE QUANTITIES OF EARTH ARE TRANSPORTED OFF-SITE AND INTO EXISTING STORM DRAINAGE FACILITIES EITHER BY NATURAL DRAINAGE OR BY VEHICULAR TRAFFIC, THE CONTRACTOR IS TO PROVIDE EROSION CONTROL AND RESTORE THE AREA TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE ENGINEER AND/OR LOCAL AUTHORITIES.
- 10. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL MAINTAIN THE RIGHT-OF-WAY DURING CONSTRUCTION IN A SATISFACTORY MANNER TO PREVENT THE DEPOSITION OF SAND, ETC. BY WATER OR WIND EROSION ONTO ADJACENT PROPERTIES. EROSION CONTROL MEASURES SHALL BE IN PLACE PRIOR TO BEGINNING CONSTRUCTION. EROSION CONTROL ITEMS ARE ESTIMATED FOR PREVENTION, CONTROL, ABATEMENT OF EROSION, SEDIMENTATION, AND WATER SOLUTION. THESE ITEMS ARE TO BE USED AT THE LOCATIONS DESCRIBED IN THE CONTRACTOR'S APPROVED EROSION CONTROL FLOW OR AS DIRECTED BY THE ENGINEER TO COMPLY WITH ALL FEDERAL, STATE, AND LOCAL REGULATIONS.
- 11. CONTRACTOR TO BAHIA SOD OR TURF ALL DISTURBED AREAS AND PROVIDE STAKING TO ENSURE PLACEMENT IS MAINTAINED UNTIL EMBANKMENT IS STABILIZED. EMBANKMENT AREAS NOT BEING DISTURBED WITH PROPOSED ACTIVITIES SHALL BE PROTECTED.
- 12. USE OF OPTIONAL PIPE MATERIALS OTHER THAN REINFORCED CONCRETE PIPE OR HDPE CLASS TYP II PIPE SHALL BE SUBMITTED TO THE ENGINEER FOR APPROVAL.
- 13. CONTRACTOR SHALL EMPLOY CONSTRUCTION METHODS THAT WILL NOT PRODUCE DAMAGING VIBRATIONS, SOIL MOVEMENT, SOIL LOSS, OR INSTABILITY OF ADJACENT EXISTING STRUCTURES. ANY DAMAGE TO ADJACENT STRUCTURES WITHIN (50 FEET) AS A RESULT OF THE PROPOSED WORK SHALL BE REPAIRED AT NO ADDITIONAL EXPENSE TO THE COUNTY.
- 14. WETLAND AREAS IDENTIFIED IN THE PLANS SHALL BE PROTECTED ACCORDING TO PERMITTING REQUIREMENTS APPROVED BY NWFWMD/ FDEP. (CONTINUING COORDINATION JUNE 2021)

15. UTILITY/AGENCY OWNERS:

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ESCAMBIA RIVER ELECTRIC CO-OP, INC. CONTACT: ALEX SCANLON PHONE: (850) 675-7439

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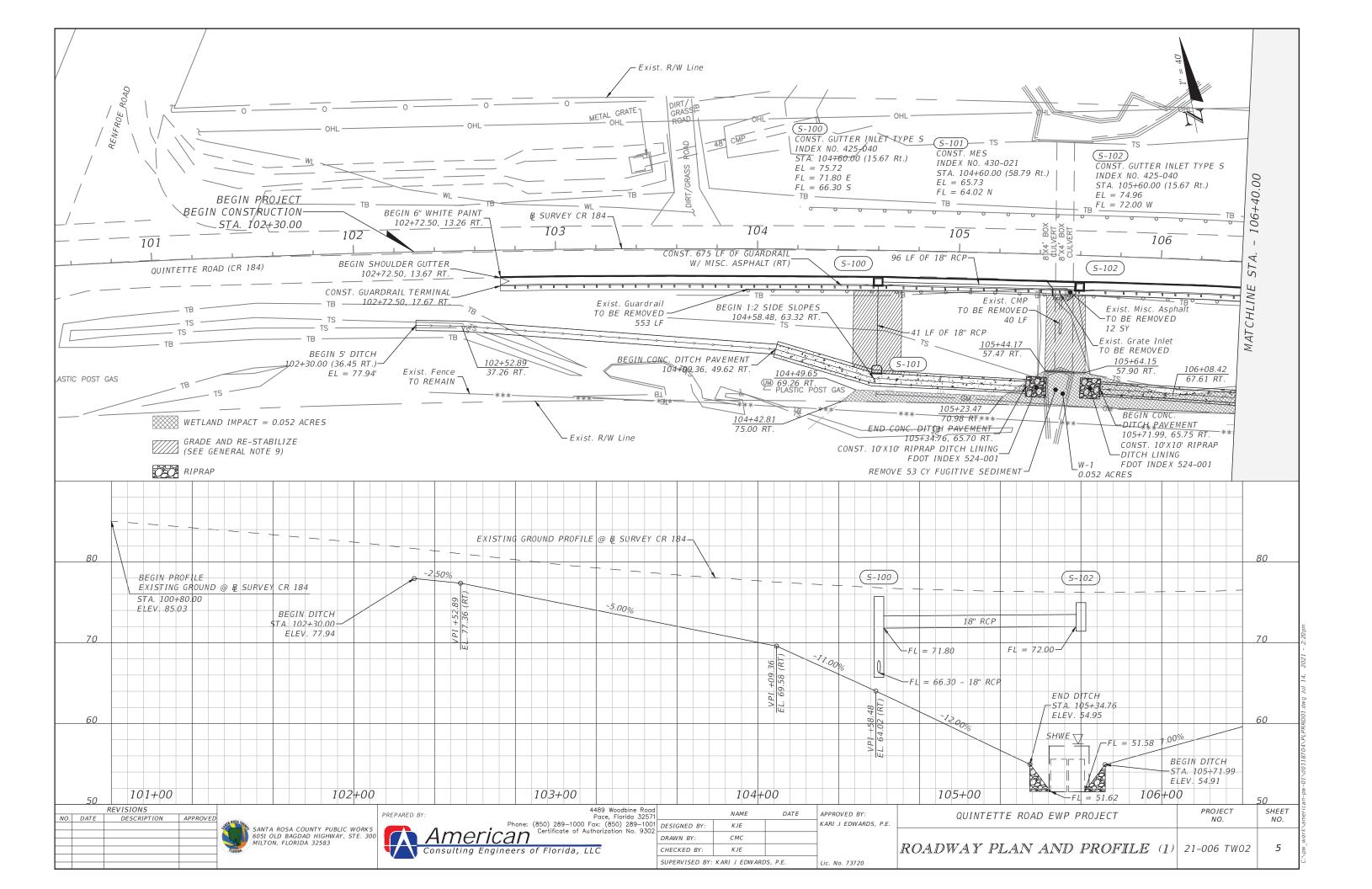
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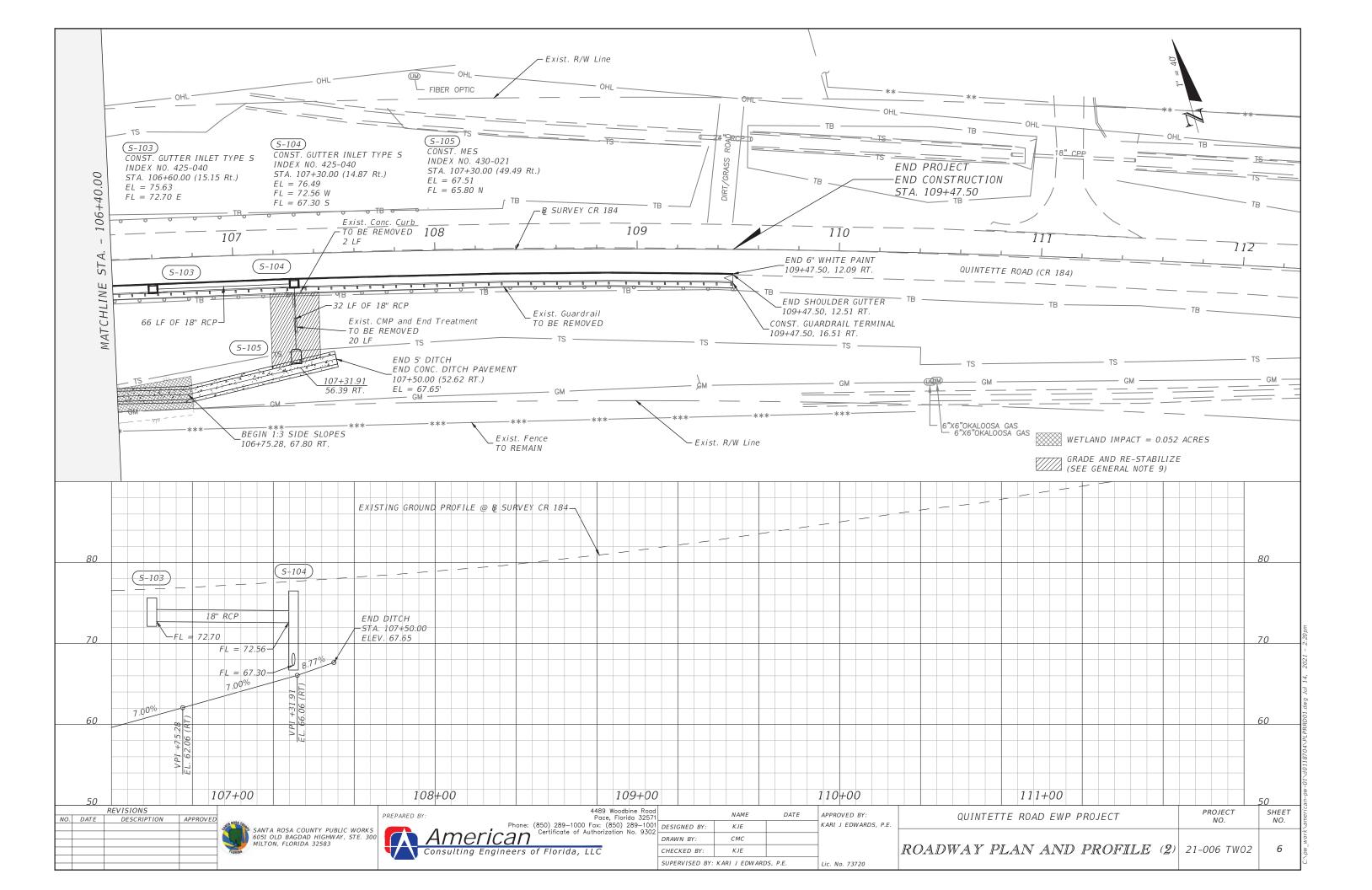
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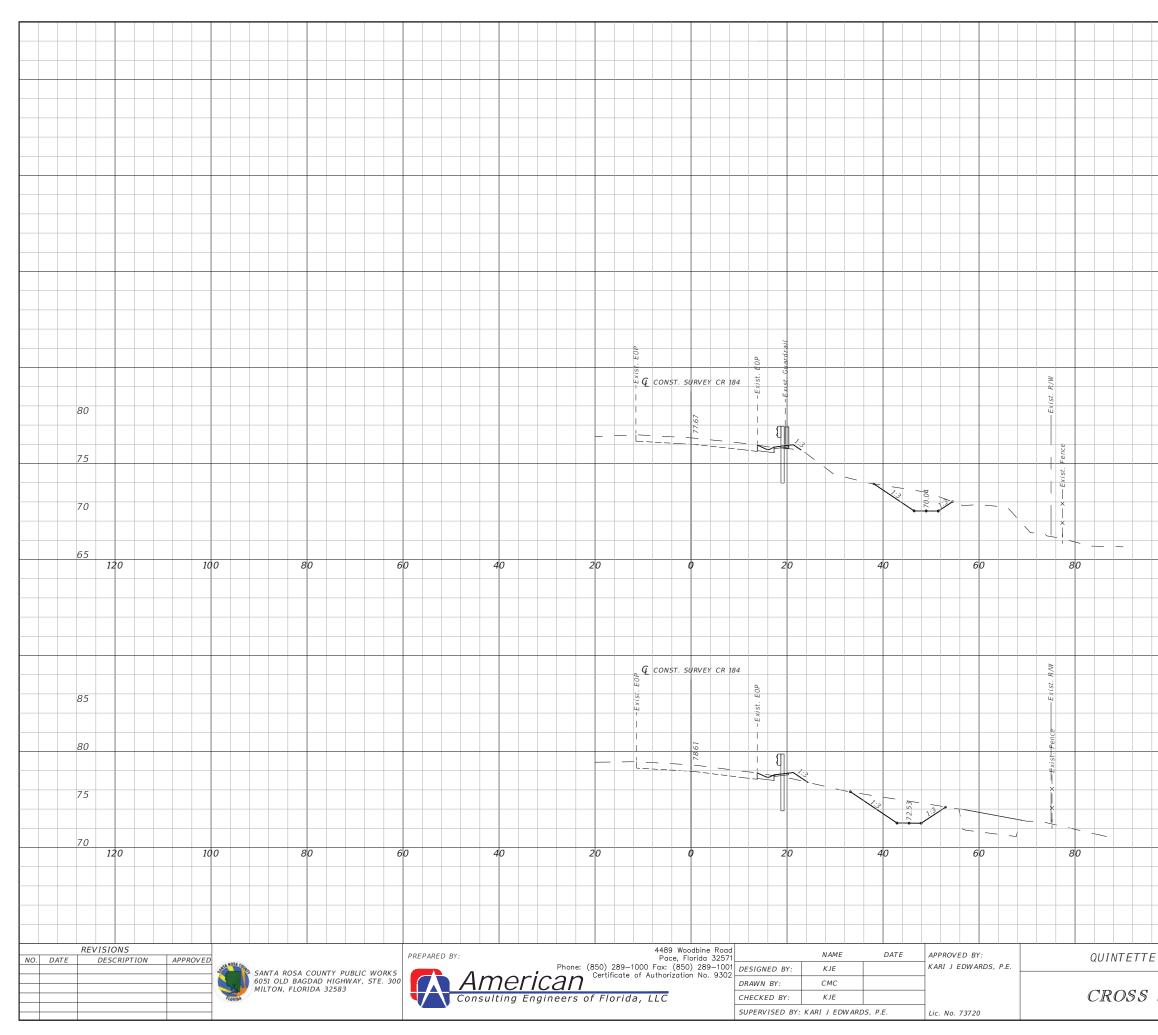
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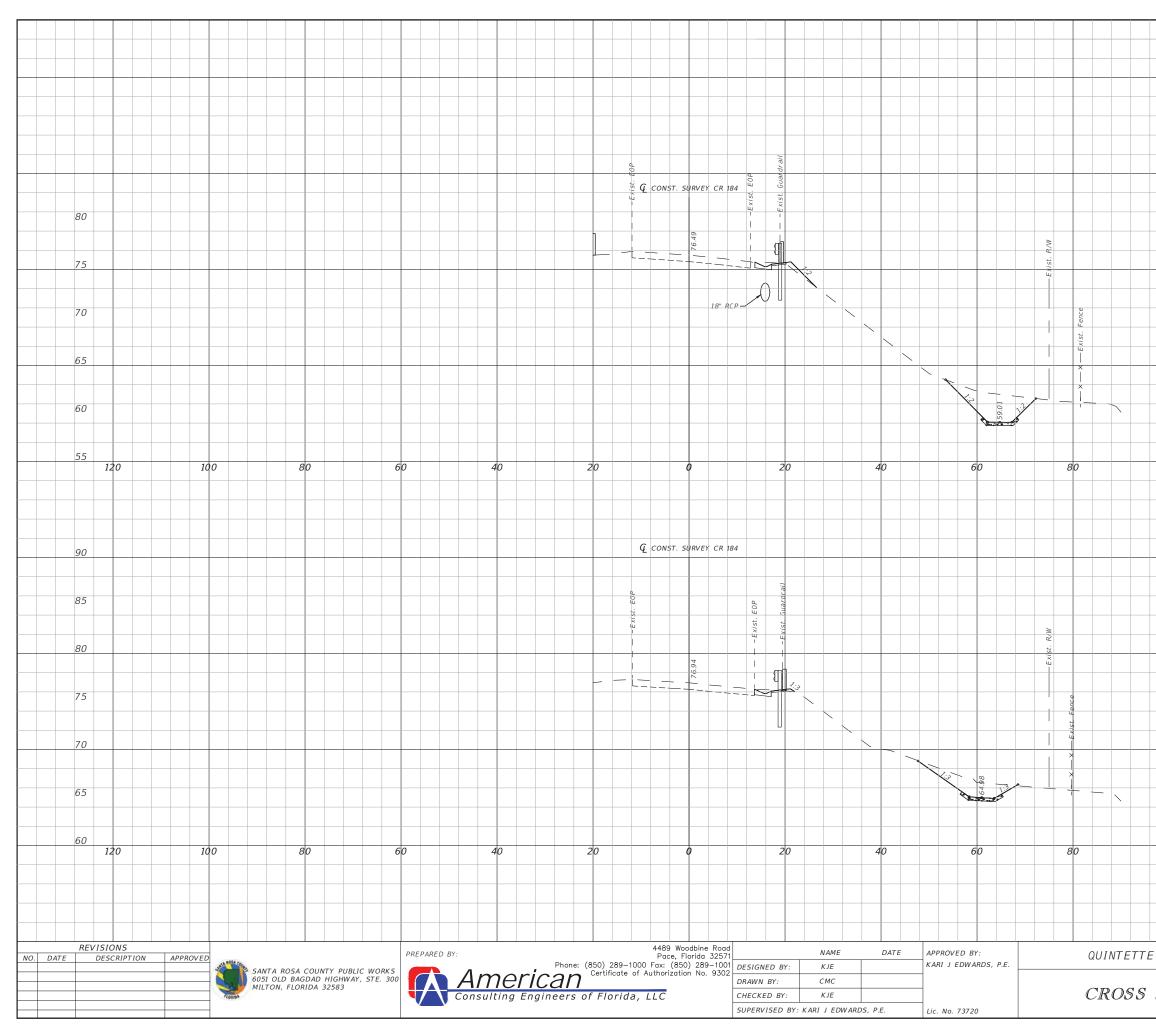




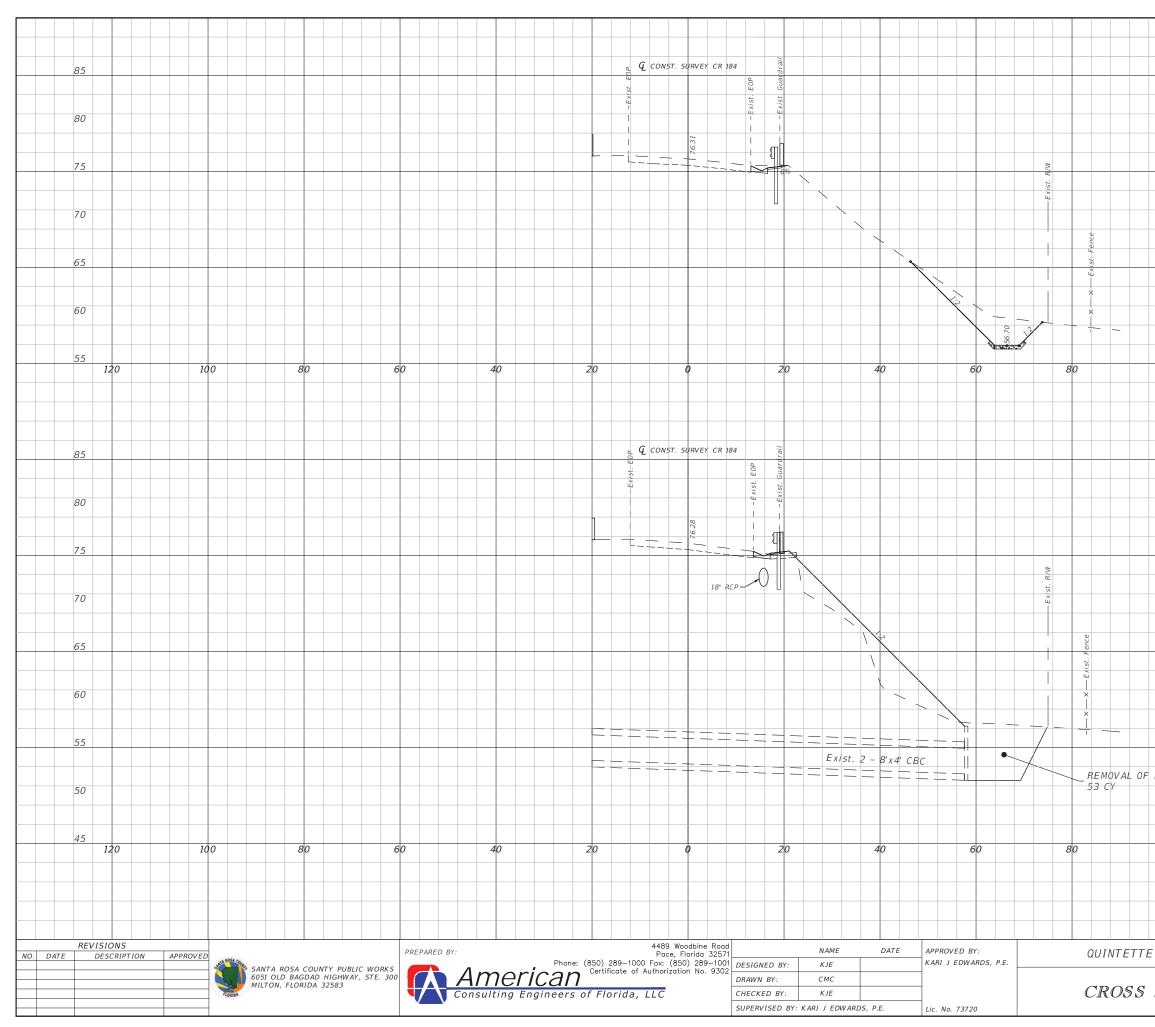
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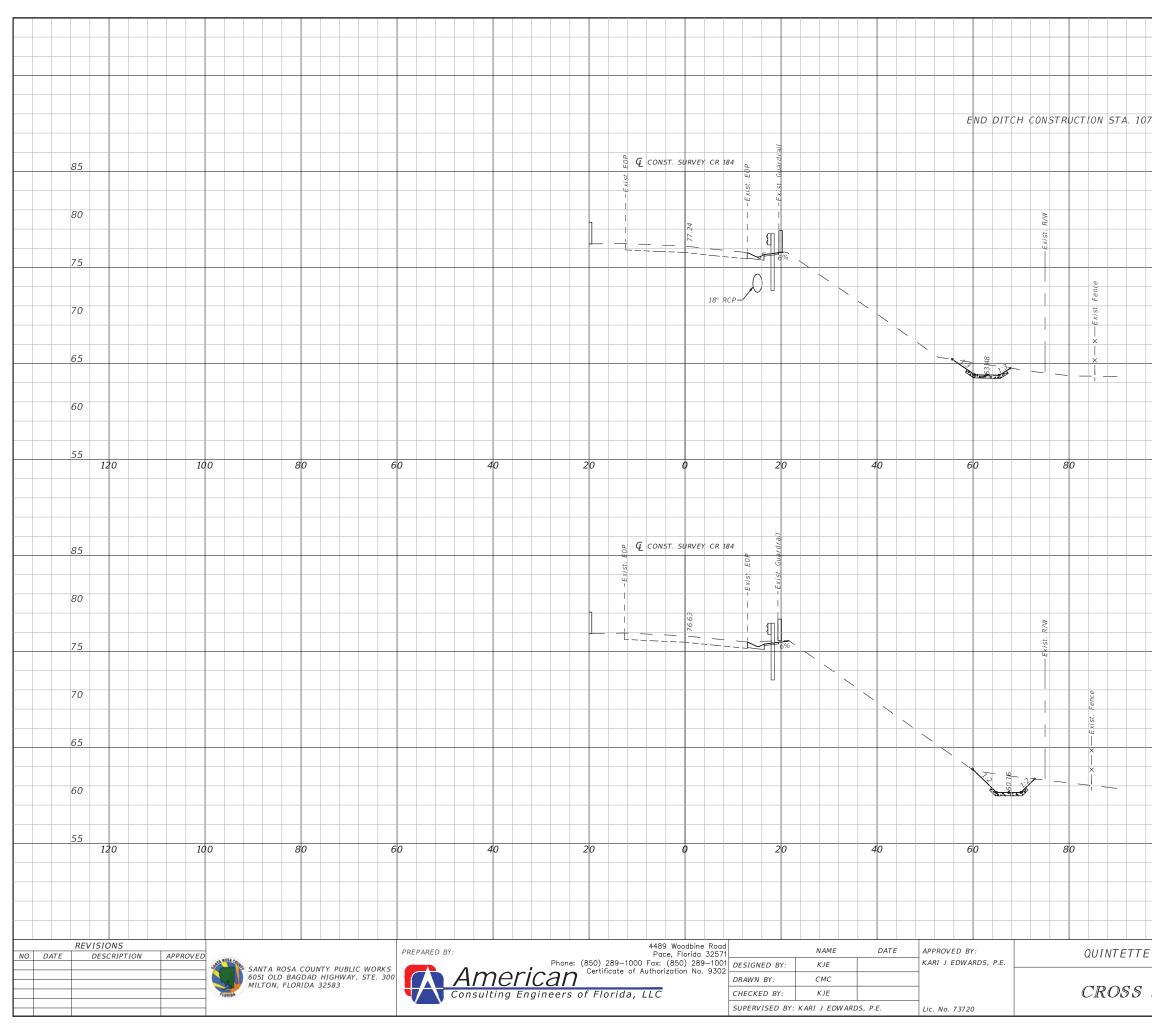
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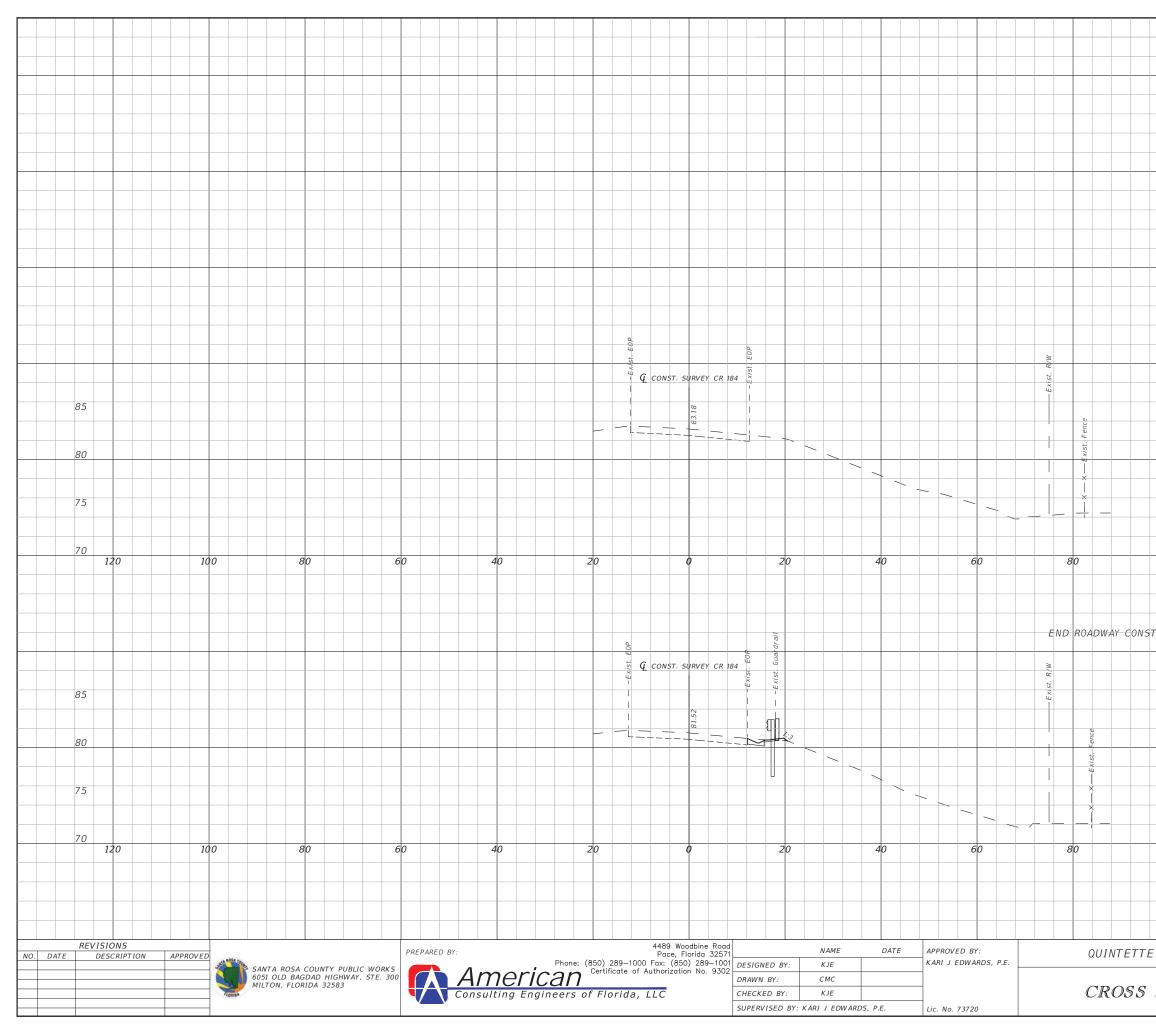


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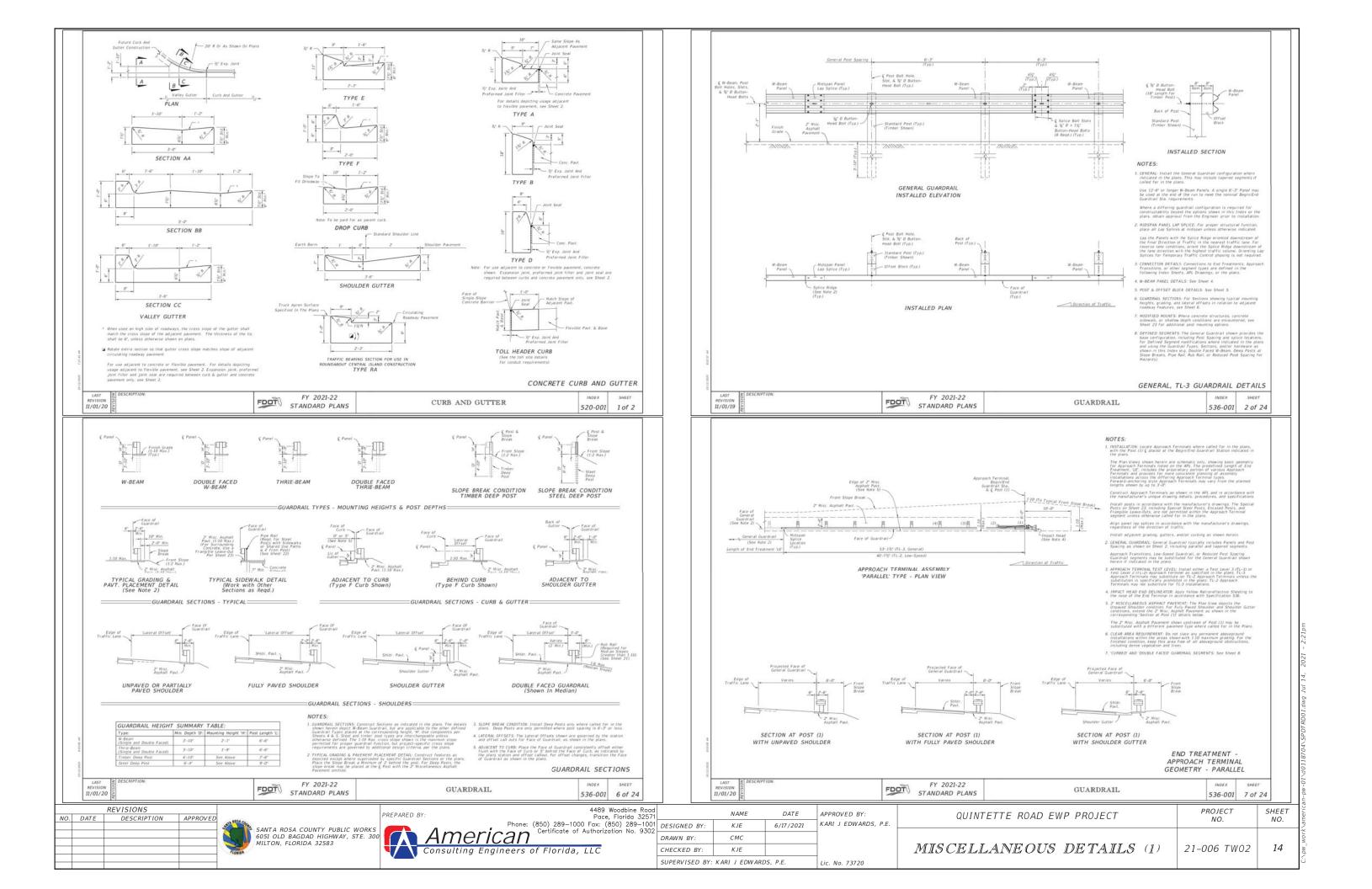


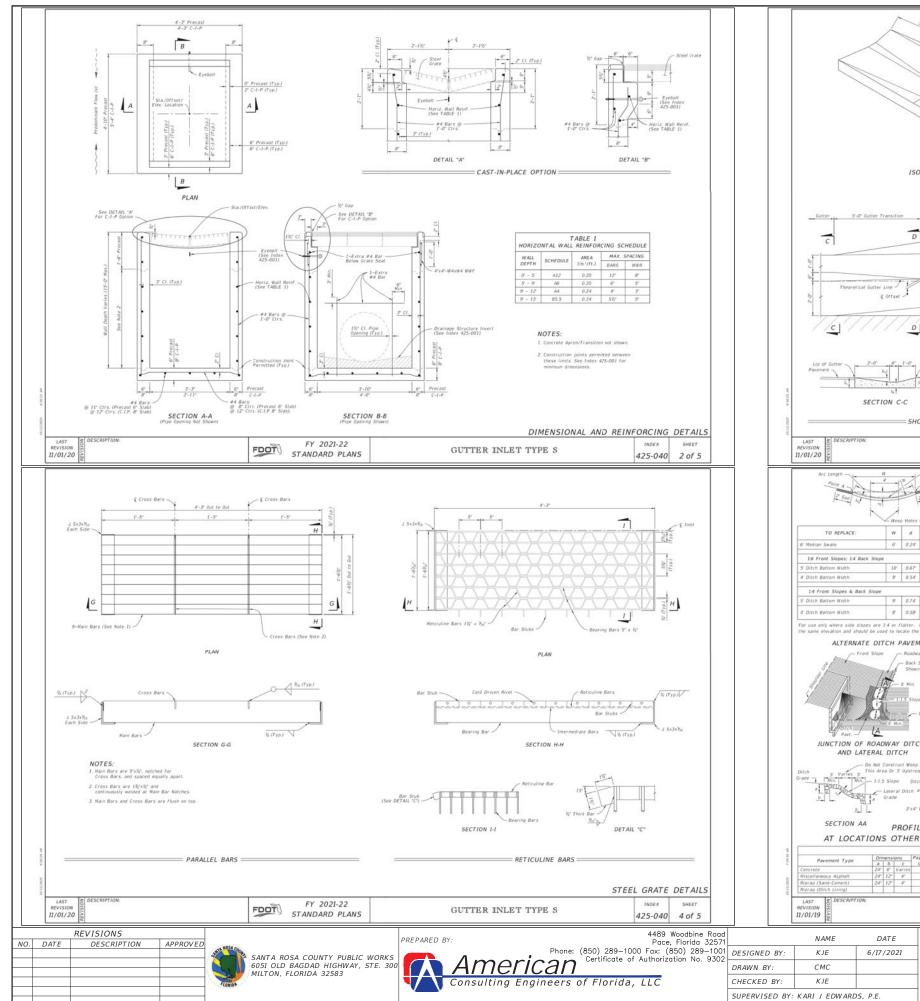
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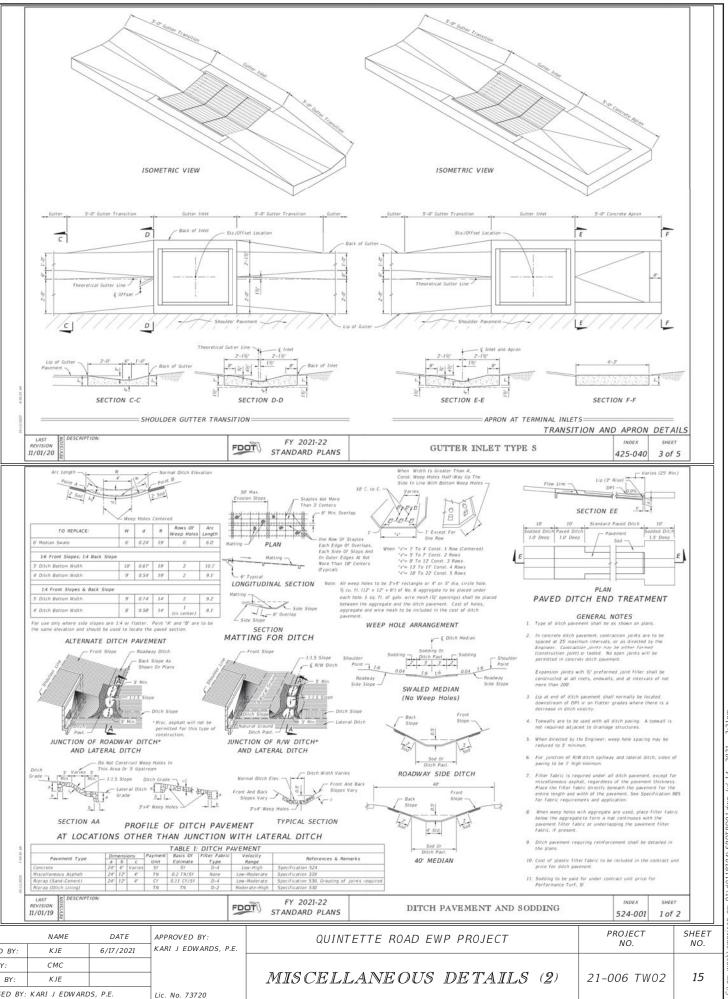
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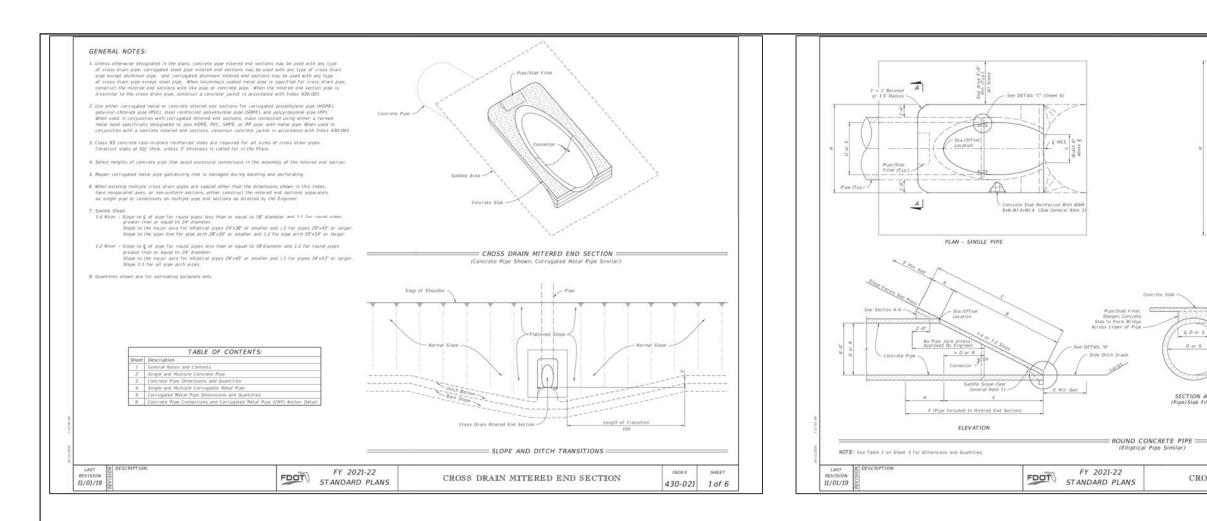


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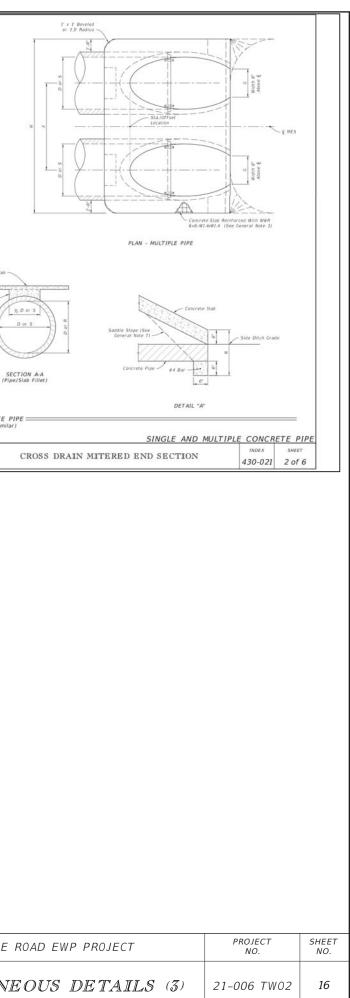








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## OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE PLAN Emergency Watershed Protection Program Quintette Road Santa Rosa County Santa Rosa County, Florida

## **OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE NEEDS**

This site will require Santa Rosa County to perform periodic inspections and operation and maintenance activities to maintain satisfactory performance. The following recommendations will help the Santa Rosa County in performing adequate operation and maintenance.

## I. VEGETATION

## A. Weed and Brush Control

Mow to control weeds, briars, and bushes. On areas inaccessible to power mowing equipment, weed and brush control should be accomplished by hand or chemicals.

## B. Insect and Disease Control

No disease problems should occur on bahiagrass, centipede or common bermudagrass. Identification of pests and needed control should be obtained from local Agricultural Extension Service Office.

## C. Vegetation

As soon as possible, repair sites that become devoid of vegetation. This will usually occur when adequate vegetative cover was not initially established. If this is not the case, study the situation carefully to determine the causes. This will probably be due to soil erosion or vehicles which may need special on-site assistance from the Natural Resources Conservation Service representative. Use the following recommendations for normal vegetation of smaller areas.

Fill the low or washed out areas with topsoil. The topsoil should be free of weed seeds, litter, and rocks, and have a high organic matter content. One inch of topsoil will require 3.1 cubic yards per 1,000 square feet.

Fertilize with 13-13-13 or similar fertilizer at a rate based on soil tests. Lime with dolomite at a rate based on soil tests. Incorporate fertilizer and lime into the upper six (6) inches of soil. After final grading, distribute bahiagrass seed uniformly over the area at a rate of 2 - 3 lbs. per 1000 square foot with a drop-type fertilizer spreader or cyclone-type broadcast spreader. Cover the area in one direction and then at right angles in the other direction. Cover the seed lightly one-fourth (1/4) inch deep. Firm the seed into the soil with a roller. After seeding, apply a mulch of one (1) inch or more of close fitting material, or up to four (4) inches of loose fitting material, so that about 25 percent of the ground is visible. Disk or spade in lightly at or near vertical angle. Starting 4 - 6 weeks

after the seed has germinated, apply ammonium nitrate at the rate of three (3) pounds per 1,000 square feet every month until grass is well established.

Sod can be used instead of seed and will obviously result in establishment of vegetation of the area quicker than seeding. The site preparation, liming, and fertilization are the same for seeding. Lay pieces of sod over the entire area on the contour with snug, even joints. Stagger the joints from strip to strip. Roll or tamp sod immediately following placement. Do not overlap the sod. On steep slopes secure sod to surface with wooden pegs or wire staples. If a dry period occurs, irrigate with one (1) inch of water every third day unless rain occurs. Do not exceed an application rate of one (1) inch per hour. After the area is vegetated, use the maintenance measures discussed in Sections III and IV.

## II. STRUCTURES

## A. <u>Pipe</u>

The pipe does not require any operation. Check the pipe coating, especially at locations where exposed. Repair any coating that has deteriorated.

## B. Inlet Structures

Check inlets periodically to ensure grates are in place. Remove any debris that has collected on the grates or at the slots in order to maintain flow capacity. Check antivortex baffles to ensure they are in place as designed.

Check concrete aprons around the inlets for cracks. Repair any major cracks immediately. Keep woody vegetation removed from the inlet structure.

## C. Outlet Structure

The area downstream of outlet structure has the potential (but is not expected) to degrade below the elevation of the existing ground. If degradation does occur, minor land smoothing and revelation will be needed.

The outlet structure should be inspected and maintained in the same manner as the inlet structures.

## III. EMBANKMENT AND DIVERSIONS

Inspect and repair embankments as needed. Replace eroded material and provide a vegetative cover on eroded areas.

If seepage is found to be coming from the embankment contact the NRCS for technical assistance.

The diversion channels should be inspected monthly and following each significant rain event. Any eroded areas should be repaired immediately. It is essential that a good vegetative cover be maintained.

## IV. SCHEDULE OF INSPECTIONS

The facility should be inspected (1) thirty (30) days after completion, (2) after each major storm or occurrence of any unusual condition that might adversely affect the measure and (3) annually. All deficiencies should be corrected immediately. Reports of the inspection(s) and subsequent follow up maintenance shall be kept on file at the owner's office.

## V. SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT NEEDS FOR O&M

The following supplies and equipment will be needed to operate and maintain the facility:

- One pick-up truck used for inspection as needed.
- Tractor with disk harrow and mower as needed.
- Gasoline for truck and tractor; oil, lubrication, and maintenance supplies for truck and tractor as needed.
- Bahiagrass sod or seed as needed.
- Fertilizer and lime as required by soil test.
- Mulch as needed.
- Miscellaneous small tools such as drop type fertilizer spreader, weed eaters, etc.

## VI. TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

When needed, special on-site assistance is available from the local NRCS District Conservationist.

# QUALITY ASSURANCE PLAN FOR

## Quintette Road EWP

The Quality Assurance Plan (QAP) outlines the responsibilities of Santa Rosa County to ensure that the works of improvement are installed in accordance with the plans and specifications. The County Engineer will designate a person to fulfill the inspection responsibilities.

## I. ITEMS OF WORK TO BE INSPECTED

- The work to be accomplished under this contract consists of clearing and grubbing, excavation, earthfill, grading, installing drainage inlets, installing rip rap, and vegetative measures.
- The intensity of the inspection of these items will vary from periodic to continuous. The intensity of the inspection will depend on the complexity of the work item and what the damaging results would be should that portion of the installation fail.
- The timing and intensity of the required inspection is shown in Table 1. Support personnel should be provided as needed to assist the assigned inspector. The inspector may consult the engineer as necessary.
- Other types of work items may be encountered during construction. The intensity of the inspection will be determined by the Inspector or Engineer.

## A. Clearing and Grubbing

Very limited inspection will be required on clearing and grubbing. The inspector will check the site to verify that the item was completed in accordance with the plans and specifications.

## B. Excavating and/or Backfilling

Excavating and/or backfilling operations will require periodic inspection. The inspector shall be on-site in situations where the excavation or backfill is set to a grade that is critical for the installation of stabilization measures. The inspector shall be on-site to ensure the earthfill is of suitable material and to make sure the earthfill has sufficient moisture content and is compacted in accordance with the plans and specifications.

Compaction tests shall be performed periodically to ensure that fill is placed and embankments are constructed in accordance with the plans and specifications.

## C. Drain Pipe

The inspector shall check the quality of pipe materials prior to installation to ensure it meets the plans and specifications.

Inspect where drain pipes are installed to ensure that proper grouting has been performed as detailed in the plans and specifications.

D. Rock Riprap

Verify that the rock riprap is of the gradation and durability as specified and placed to the neat lines as shown on the plans. Careful inspection will be required to ensure the rock riprap is uniformly placed.

E. Geotextile

Verify that the geotextile is of the type specifies and is placed as specified on the drawing. Careful inspection will be required to ensure the geotextile is properly and has the overlap as show on the drawings.

F. Vegetative Measures

QA inspection for this item will be to ensure that:

- The site/seedbed is properly prepared.
- The correct type and amount of seed, fertilizer, lime and mulch are applied according to the plans and specifications.
- Where sod is used, the correct type and amount of sod and applied according to the plans and specifications.
- All disturbed areas are treated.
- Native vegetation is installed as directed by the engineer.
- G. Concrete

Verify that all concrete is constructed to the dimensions and grades as shown on the drawings with the specified class of concrete (compressive strength). Ensure that the concrete contains the appropriate cement, coarse aggregate, fine aggregate and admixtures as stated in the construction specifications or in the approved design mix.

## H. Pollution Control

Inspect to verify that pollution control measures are installed as per the plans and specifications and/or as required by the permits.

Item	Inspector
Clearing and Grubbing	P/F
Excavating and/or Backfilling	P/F
Drain Pipe	P/F
Rip Rap	P/F
Vegetative Measures	P/F
Concrete	C/F
Pollution Control	C/F

Legend: C = ContinuousP = PeriodicF = Final

## II. INSPECTOR SKILLS NEEDED TO PERFORM THE REQUIRED INSPECTIONS

- A. Ability to manage an inspection program effectively.
- B. Must understand the design concepts of the job to ensure that it is installed properly and functions properly.
- C. Must be familiar with quality assurance and inspection needed for installation of earthfill, drain pipes, geotextiles, vegetative measures, concrete, and other materials used in the work.
- D. Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships and clear communications with the Contractor and others involved or affected by the project.
- E. Thorough understanding of all contract provisions.
- F. Ability to recognize potential safety hazards and take the necessary actions to avoid them to the extent possible.
- G. Ability to anticipate potential conflicts of work activities with existing utilities and fixed improvements and to take the necessary actions to resolve them in the most efficient manner.
- H. Ability to administer contract to include preparation of contract modifications and pay estimates on a timely basis.

## **III. STAFF NEEDED TO PERFORM REQUIRED INSPECTIONS**

One Inspector shall be available to inspect the construction progress at critical points during construction as shown in Table 1. The Inspector will ensure overall compliance with plans and specifications and recommend needed modifications.

The Inspector will be needed for the duration of the contract. In addition, one additional person will be needed to be on call to fill in if the Inspector is absent from work.

The County Engineer will periodically check on construction and review all requested modifications.

## IV. TESTING EQUIPMENT AND FACILITIES NEEDED

No testing equipment or facilities will be needed by the Inspector. Concrete slump tests, concrete temperature, and required compaction tests will be performed by the Contractor.

Compaction test will be performed by a testing lab approved by the engineer.

The inspector will need equipment such as a survey level, rod, and measuring tape to check the Contractor's work.

## V. NAMES OF QUALIFIED PERSONNEL

Santa Rosa County will contract with Consulting Firm to perform the Construction Engineering and Inspection to inspect the construction of the works of improvement. The firm will provide an Inspector and Project Engineer to make reviews by visiting the work site and/or by verbal communications with the Inspector to assist with problems that may develop requiring changes in the design and to gain familiarity in case of contractual problems with the Contractor.

## VI. DOCUMENTATION AND REPORTS TO BE PREPARED

A daily job diary shall be kept by the Inspector and entries shall be made daily for the duration of the contract.

Survey notes documenting the installation and measurements shall be recorded in a bound field book. Quantity computations for all materials shall be recorded including measurements. The computations shall be checked and initialed by a second person.

Photos and/or slides shall be taken throughout the term of the contract. Photos shall be digital. The photos shall be logged and clearly identify the job and what the photo is about. The log and photos shall be submitted along with the as-built drawings.

At completion of the job, American Consulting Professionals, LCC, will review AS-BUILTS provided by the contractor to determine completeness and compliancy to standards and specification identified for the project. The contractor will then provide final approved AS-BUILTS drawings to the County Engineer.

The above listed documentation shall be completed and mailed to the County Engineer within 10 work days of the completion of the work.



Northwest Florida Water Management District

700 U.S. Highway 331 South, DeFuniak Springs, FL 32435

 Brett J. Cyphers
 ERP: (850) 951-4660
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 Executive Director
 Wells: (850) 951-4661

July 29, 2021

Rebecca Jones Santa Rosa County 6051 Old Bagdad Hwy, Suite 300 Milton, FL 32583

Re: Quintette Road EWP Project Application # PDEX-113-300005-1 (Please reference the above number on all correspondence)

Dear Rebecca Jones:

The Northwest Florida Water Management District (District) received your application on July 19, 2021 requesting an exemption verification for the referenced project.

Based on the information provided, the District has determined that the project is eligible for an exemption under 62-330.051(2), 62-330.051(4)(c). Therefore, the project will not need a District permit pursuant to rule reference.

This exemption verification only applies to the requirements of the District and does not relieve you of meeting the permit requirements of other agencies. Please contact Erica Roberts at (850) 951-4660 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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Terry Wells Division of Regulatory Services; ERP Bureau Chief

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# **BID SUBMISSION CHECKLIST**

ITB 21-063 Quintette Road EWP Drainage Improvements Contractor: Hoperson Mdcranbud Adif

- Sealed Bid Package with Bid Name and Number, Firm name and Address with Contact information
   clearly marked on the outside of envelope/box.
  - 1 Original Bid Package and 1 Electronic Copy in .pdf on a CD or USB Drive
  - Bid Submittal Checklist attached to top of Original Bid Package
  - Bid Bond
- Bid Form & Schedule of Values, Unit Pricing
- Cone of Silence
- \_\_\_\_\_ Sworn Statement Public Entity Crimes
  - \_\_\_\_ Debarment Form
- \_\_\_\_ References Form
  - Conflict of Interest Form
  - Copy of current Required Insurance declaration page with Santa Rosa County named interest, or, Letter of Insurability from Carrier stating that the levels of coverage will be obtained.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Addendum (s) if any
- \_\_\_\_ Underground Contractor license
- Proof of business registration with the state of Florida (sunbiz.com)
- Proof of registration with the Federal System of Award Management (SAM)

All required documentation submitted must be updated with most current and complete information from date of bid opening) including notarizations where required. Failure to submit all required forms may result in your submittal being deemed non-responsive. ATTACH THIS PAGE TO THE TOP OF YOUR BID SUBMISSION

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Title: Owner	
Date: 118 21	



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# **ADDENDUM FORM**

To: Planholders

From: Procurement Office

Date: October 25, 2021

Ref: Addendum #1 for ITB 21-063 Quintette Road EWP Drainage Improvements

The following clarifications, amendments, additions, deletions, revisions and modifications form a part of the contract documents and change the original documents in the manner and to the extent stated. QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS:

1. Bid Deadline for this project has been extended until November 8, 2021 @ 10:00 a.m.

This Addendum is furnished to all known prospective Proposers. Please sign and include one copy of this Addendum, with original signature, with your proposal as an acknowledgement of your having received same.

NAME/TITLE: SIGNATURE: COMPANY: Roberson Underground U DATE:

End of Addendum #1

9790 Roberson Way, Milton, FL 32570 Office: 850-564-2095 Alt: 850-698-3779 Email – robersonundergroundllc@aol.com

## **BID FORM**

(May be copied by the Bidder on his own letterhead)

TO:

Santa Rosa County Procurement Department Attention Procurement Officer 6495 Caroline Street, Suite L Milton, Florida 32570

## REFERENCE: ITB 21-063 Quintette Road EWP Drainage Improvements

To whom it may concern,

I, <u>Roberson Underground Utility LLC</u> have received and reviewed the Bidding Documents consisting of Drawings and Specifications (Project Manual) entitled **ITB 21-063 Quintette Road EWP Drainage Improvements**, prepared by Santa Rosa County Engineering, 6051 Old Bagdad Highway, Suite 300, Milton, Florida 32570, and American Consulting Engineers of Florida, LLC.

I have also received Addenda Numbers <sup>#1</sup> and have included their provisions in my Bid.

In submitting the Bid, I agree:

- 1. To hold my bid in full force and effect for a period of sixty (60) calendar days after the time of the opening of this Bid.
- 2. To accept the provisions of the Instructions to Bidders regarding disposition of Bid Guarantee.
- 3. To enter into and execute a Contract within 10 (ten) calendar days after said Contract is delivered to me, if awarded on the basis of this Bid.
- 4. To accomplish the work in accordance with the Contract Documents.
- 5. To commence work under this Contract on or before a date to be specified in written "Notice of Proceed" by the County Attorney and to complete project within sixty (60) calendar days thereafter.
- 6. To pay as liquidated damages, the sum of \$1,045.00 for each consecutive calendar day after completion date, as called for in the Contract Agreement as modified.
- 7. Provide Santa Rosa County with performance Bonds and adhere to Supplementary Conditions.

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I will construct this project for the lump sum price of:

TOTAL BID Two hundred forty-three thousand, six hundred sixty-nine dollars and forty-nine cents \$ 243,669.49

This is a lump sum project. The purpose for providing a bid tabulation format is to provide unit prices in case of change order. There is no implied statement by the engineer or Santa Rosa County as to the accuracy of the stated quantities within the bid tab or that the bid tab is all inclusive of the work items within the plans. It is the contractor's responsibility to carefully review the plans, specifications, and project to determine what is needed to do the whole job, including any fees such as permit fees, license fee, impact fee, inspection fee and any other fees as determined by the County and to reflect this in his LUMP SUM BID. This basis of award will be the total base bid for the project.

FIRM:	Roberson Underground Utility LLC					
BY (print): SIGNATUR	Christy Baker	EBL				
TITLE:	Owner					
DATE:	11/8/2021					
MAILING A	ADDRESS	9790 Roberson \	Way			
		Milton FL 32570	)			
PHONE	(850)56	4-2095	FAX	(850)	626-2130	
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#### **Quintette Road EWP Drainage Project**

#### Schedule of Unit Prices

#### PAGE 1 OF 1

Unit prices are attached for informational purposes. Change orders and progress payments will be based on unit prices provided. Quantities are engineer's ESTIMATE and are to be used as a guide. All quantities are in-place measure. Contractor should make their own adjustments to price to include labor, transportation, compaction, etc. Schedule of unit prices to be turned in with Bid Package

No.	FDOT Pay Item Code	Item	Unit	Quantity	Unit Price	Extension
1	0101 1	MOBILIZATION	<u>4000000000000000000000000000000000000</u>	1	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00
2	0102 1	MAINTENANCE OF TRAFFIC	LS LS	1	\$8,500.00	\$8,500.00
3	N/A	EROSION CONTROL PLAN	LS	1	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
4	N/A	DEWATERING	LS	1	\$5,500.00	\$5,500.00
5	N/A	REMOVAL OF EXISTING CONCRETE CURB/ HEADWALL	LF	2	\$500.00	\$1,000.00
6	N/A	REMOVAL OF MISCELLANEOUS ASPHALT	SY	12	\$75.00	\$900.00
7	N/A	REMOVAL OF EXISTING INLET STRUCTURE	EA	1	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
8	N/A	REMOVAL OF EXISTING CMP	LF	60	\$45.00	\$2,700.00
9	0536 73	GUARDRAIL REMOVAL	LF	553	\$30.00	\$16,590.00
10	0120 1	REGULAR EXCAVATION	СҮ	458	\$15.00	\$6,870.00
11	0120 4	SUBSOIL EXCAVATION (FUGITIVE SEDIMENT REMOVAL)	СҮ	53	\$41.00	\$2,173.00
12	0120 6	EMBANKMENT	CY	112	\$20.00	\$2,240.00
13	0339 1	MISCELLANEOUS ASPHALT PAVEMENT	TN	22.4	\$500.00	\$11,200.00
14	0425 1 701	INLETS, GUTTER, TYPE S, <10'	EA	4	\$6,169.51	\$24,678.04
15	0430 175 118	PIPE CULVERT, OPTIONAL MATERIAL, ROUND, 18"S/CD	LF	235	\$77.37	\$18,181.95
16	0430 982 125	MITERED END SECTION, OPTIONAL ROUND, 18" CD	EA	2	\$1,500.00	\$3,000.00
17	0520 6	SHOULDER GUTTER- CONCRETE	LF	675	\$65.00	\$43,875.00
18	0524 1 2	CONCRETE DITCH PAVEMENT, NON REINFORCED, 4"	SY	257	\$85.00	\$21,845.00
19	0530 3 4	RIPRAP, RUBBLE, F&I, DITCH LINING	TN	18	\$150.00	\$2,700.00
20	0536 1 1	GUARDRAIL -ROADWAY, GENERAL TL-3	LF	675	\$52.00	\$35,100.00
21	0536 85 20	GUARDRAIL END TREATMENT- TRAILING ANCHORAGE	EA	1	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
22	0536 85 24	GUARDRAIL END TREATMENT- PARALLEL APPROACH TERMINAL	EA	1	\$4,687.50	\$4,687.50
23		PERFORMANCE TURF, SOD	SY	1,564	\$4.75	\$7,429.00
24		PAINTED PAVEMENT MARKINGS, STANDARD, WHITE, SOLID, 6"	GM	0.128	\$11,718.75	\$1,500.00

TOTAL BID =

\$243,669.49



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## **CONE OF SILENCE FORM**

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The Board of County Commissioners have established a solicitation silence policy (Cone of Silence) that prohibits oral and written communication regarding all formal solicitations for goods and services (ITB, RFP, ITQ, ITN, and RFQ) or other competitive solicitation between the bidder (or its agents or representatives) or other entity with the potential for a financial interest in the award (or their respective agents or representatives) regarding such competitive solicitation, and any County Commissioner or County employee, selection committee member or other persons authorized to act on behalf of the Board including the County's Architect, Engineer or their subconsultants, or anyone designated to provide a recommendation to award a particular contract, other than the Procurement Department Staff.

The period commences from the time of advertisement until contract award.

Any information thought to affect the committee or staff recommendation submitted after bids are due, should be directed to the Procurement Officer or an appointed representative. It shall be the Procurement Officers decision whether to consider this information in the decision process.

Any violation of this policy shall be grounds to disqualify the respondent from consideration during the selection process.

All respondents must agree to comply with this policy by signing the following statement and including it with their submittal.

I, Christy Baker representing Roberson Underground Utility LLC

(Print)

(Company)

On this <u>8th</u> day of <u>November 2021</u> 2020 hereby agree to abide by the County's "Cone of Silence" clause and understand violation of this policy shall result in disqualification of my proposal/submittal.

(Signature)



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## SWORN STATEMENT UNDER SETION 287.133 (3) (A) FLORIDA STATUTE ON PUBLIC ENTITY CRIMES

SRC Procurement Form SSPEC 016 01 091619

# THIS FORM MUST BE SIGNED IN THE PRESENCE OF A NOTARY PUBLIC OR OTHER OFFICER AUTHORIZED TO ADMINISTER OATHS.

- 1. This sworn statement is submitted with Bid, Proposal or Contract for: ITB 21-063 Quintette Road EWP Drainaige Improvements
- 2. This sworn statement is submitted by, <u>Roberson Underground Utility LLC</u>, whose business address is, <u>9790 Roberson Way, Milton FL 32570</u>, and (if applicable) Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN) is <u>47-2659611</u> (if the entity has no FEIN, include the Social Security Number of the individual signing this sworn statement).
- 3. My name is <u>Christy Baker</u> and my relationship to the entity named above is <u>Owner</u> (title).
- 4. I understand that a "public entity crime" as defined in paragraph 287.133 (1) (g) Florida Statute, means a violation of any state or federal law by a person with respect to and directly related to the transaction of business with any public entity or with an agency or political subdivision of any other state or with the United States including, but not limited to , any bid or contract for goods or services to be provided to any public entity or any agency or public subdivision of any other state or of the United States and involved antitrust, fraud, theft, bribery, collusion, racketeering, conspiracy or material misrepresentation.
- 5. I understand that "convicted" or "convicted" as defined in paragraph 287.133 (1) (b), <u>Florida Statutes</u>, means a finding of guilt or a conviction of a public entity crime with or without an adjudication of guilt, in any federal or state trial court of records relating to charges brought by indictment or information after July 1, 1989, as a result of a jury verdict, non-jury trial, or entry of a plea of guilty or nolo contendere.
- 6. I understand that an "affiliate" as defined in Paragraph 287.133 (1) (a), Florida Statutes, means:
  - a. A predecessor or successor of a person convicted of a public entity crime; or

b. An entity under the control of any natural person who is active in the management of the entity and who has been convicted of a public entity crime. The term "affiliate" includes those officers, directors, executives, partners, shareholders, employees, members, and agents who are active in the management of an affiliate. The ownership by one of shares constituting a controlling income among persons when not for fair interest in another person, or a pooling of equipment or income among persons when not for fair market value under an length agreement, shall be a prima facie case that one person controls another person. A person who knowingly convicted of a public entity crime, in Florida during the preceding 36 months shall be considered an affiliate.

7. I understand that a "person" as defined in paragraph 287 .133 (1) (e), <u>Florida Statutes</u>, means any natural person or entity organized under the laws of the state or of the United States with the legal power to enter into a binding contract provision of goods or services let by a public entity, or which otherwise transacts or applies to transact business with a public entity. The term "person" includes those officers, directors, executives, partners, shareholders, employees, members, and agents who are active in management of an entity.



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- 8. Based on information and belief, the statement which I have marked below is true in relation to the entity submitting this sworn statement. (Please indicate which statement applies)
- ☑ Neither the entity submitting this sworn statement, nor any officers, directors, executive, partners, shareholders, employees, member, or agents who are active in management of the entity, nor affiliate of the entity have been charged with and convicted of a public entity crime subsequent to July 1, 1989.
- □ The entity submitting this sworn statement, or one or more of the officers, directors, executives, partners, shareholders, employees, members, or agents who are active in management of the entity, or an affiliate of the entity has been charged with and convicted of a public entity crime subsequent to July 1, 1989 And (please attach a copy of the final order)
- □ The person or affiliate was placed on the convicted vendor list. There has been a subsequent proceeding before a hearing officer of the State of Florida, Division of Administrative Hearings. The final order entered by the hearing officer determined that it was in public interest to remove the person or affiliate from the convicted vendor list. (Please attach a copy of the final order)
- □ The person or affiliate has not been placed on the convicted vendor list. (Please describe any action taken by, or pending with, the department of General Services)

I UNDERSTAND THAT THE SUBMISSION OF THIS FORM TO THE CONTRACTING OFFICER FOR THE PUBLIC ENTITY IDENTIFIED IN PARAGRAPH 1 (ONE) ABOVE IS FOR THAT PUBLIC ENTITY ONLY AND THAT THIS FORM IS VALID THROUGH DECEMBER 31 OF THE CALENDAR YEAR IN WHICH IT IS FILED. I ALSO UNDERSTAND THAT I AM REQUIRED TO INFORM THE PUBLIC ENTITY PRIOR TO ENTERING INTO A CONTRACT IN EXCESS OF THE THRESHOLD AMOUNT PROVIDED IN SECTION 287.017, FLORIDA STATUTES FOR CATEGORY TWO OF ANY CHANGE IN THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS FORM

Christy Baker Name Signature

11/8/21 Date

PERSONALLY APPEARED BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, who, after first being sworn by me, affixed his/her signature at the space provided above on this day of <u>Movember</u>, 20<u>21</u>, and is personally known to me, or has provided \_\_\_\_\_\_ as identification.

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF: Santa Rosa COUNTY OF: <u>Santa Kosa</u> My Commission expires: <u>March 2, 2075</u>

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## **DEBARMENT FORM**

SRC Procurement Form Debar 022 00 082719

Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, And Other Responsibility Matters

1. The prospective primary participant certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it and its principals:

a. Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any Federal department or agency;

b. Have not within a three-year period preceding this proposal been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State or Local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;

c. Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State, or Local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (1)(b) of this certification; and

d. Have not within a three-year period preceding this application/proposal had one or more public transactions (Federal, State, or Local) terminated for cause or default.

2. Where the prospective primary participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal.

Name:	Christy Bak	er	>/	Title:	Owner	
Signatu	ire:	Tate	El-			
Firm:	Roberson L	Inderground Ut	ility LLC	-		
Street A	Address: 9	790 Roberson v	way	_		
City: _	Milton			_		
State: _	FL	Zip Code:	32570			
Solicita	tion Name	Quintette Road	d EQP Drainage Imp	rovements	_# XX-XXX _	21-063

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## **REFERENCES FORM**

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List work which best illustrates current qualifications relevant to this solicitation accomplished by personnel that will be assigned to the County's project. List at least three but no more than five (5) projects. (This form may be reproduced.)

YOUR FIRMS NAME \_Roberson Underground Utility LLC \_\_\_\_\_ PROPOSAL POINT OF CONTACT \_Christy Baker / Ray Roberson PHONE \_850-564-2095 \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL \_robersonundergroundlic@aol.com

## **REFERENCE I.**

PROJECT NAME: Whiting Field Aviation Park

AGENCY: Santa Rosa County

ADDRESS: 6051 Old Bagdad Highway, Suite 301

CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE: Milton FL 32583

CONTACT PERSON: Zack Stuhr

TITLE: Project manager

EMAIL: zstuhr@moffattnichol.com

TELEPHONE: 850-815-3038

PROJECT COST: \$8,800,000.00

COMPLETION DATE: \_\_\_\_Present\_\_\_

SCOPE of Project (list tasks, attach samples of deliverables, outlines or descriptions of items: (You may attach information to this form)

Installation of water, sewer, storm paving, clearing & grubbing, tank installation

List key personnel assigned to this project that will work on the County project (include assignments. You may attach information to this form): Ray Roberson / Ryan Carpenter



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#### **REFERENCE II.**

PROJECT NAME: Tiburon/Pace Patriot

AGENCY: Santa Rosa County

ADDRESS: 6051 Old Bagdad Highway Suite 301

CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE: \_\_\_\_Milton, FL 32583

CONTACT PERSON: Rebecca Jones

TITLE: Project Manager

EMAIL: rebeccaj@santarosa.fl.gov

TELEPHONE: 850-981-7100

PROJECT COST: \$4,600,000.00

COMPLETION DATE: Present

SCOPE of Project (list tasks, attach samples of deliverables, outlines or descriptions of items: (You may attach information to this form)

Excavation, Structure removal, earthfill, concrete structures, paving

List key personnel assigned to this project that will work on the County project (include assignments. You may attach information to this form):

Ray Roberson / Brian Sanders

## **REFERENCE III.**

PROJECT NAME: Network Modernation

AGENCY: Nextera Energy

ADDRESS: P.O. Box 88808

CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE: North Palm Beach, FL 33408

CONTACT PERSON: Jason Weaver

TITLE: Project Manager

EMAIL: jason.weaver@nexteraenergy.com

TELEPHONE: 850-429-2786

PROJECT COST: \$11,000,000.00 + blanket contract

COMPLETION DATE: Dec 2020

SCOPE of Project (list tasks, attach samples of deliverables, outlines or descriptions of items: (You may attach information to this form)

Installation of multi-duct bank encased in concrete, installation of concrete pull boxes/manholes, auger boring, directional boring

List key personnel assigned to this project that will work on the County project (include assignments. You may attach information to this form):

Ray Roberson / Jeffrey Odom



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# **CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURE FORM**

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For purposes of determining any possible conflict of interest, all respondents, must disclose if any Santa Rosa Board of County Commissioner, employee(s), elected officials(s), or if any of its agencies is also an owner, corporate officer, agency, employee, etc., of their business.

Indicate either "yes" (a county employee, elected official, or agency is also associated with your business), or "no". If yes, give person(s) name(s) and position(s) with your business.

 Yes: \_\_\_\_\_ No: \_\_X\_\_\_
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All respondents must agree to comply with this policy by signing the following statement and including it with their submittal.

FIRM NAME: Roberson Underground Utility LLC		
BY (PRINTED): Christy Baker		
BY (SIGNATURE):		
TITLE:Owner		
ADDRESS: 9790 Roberson Way	StateFLZip Code32570	
PHONE NO:		
E-MAIL:robersonundergroundllc@aol.com		
Date: 11/8/21		



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## **Detail by Entity Name**

Florida Limited Liability Company ROBERSON UNDERGROUND UTILITY, LLC

**Filing Information** 

Document Number	L14000196699
FEI/EIN Number	47-2659611
Date Filed	12/30/2014
Effective Date	01/01/2015
State	FL
Status	ACTIVE
Last Event	LC AMENDMENT
Event Date Filed	04/17/2017
Event Effective Date	NONE
Principal Address	
9790 ROBERSON WAY	
MILTON, FL 32570	
Changed: 04/17/2017	
Mailing Address	
9790 ROBERSON WAY	

9790 ROBERSON WAY MILTON, FL 32570

Changed: 04/17/2017

#### Registered Agent Name & Address

ROBERSON, BILLY R, II 9790 Roberson Way MILTON, FL 32570

Address Changed: 02/24/2017

Authorized Person(s) Detail

Name & Address

Title AMBR

ROBERSON, BILLY R, II 9756 Roberson Way MILTON, FL 32570

## Title AMBR

BAKER, CHRISTY 9790 Roberson Way MILTON, FL 32570

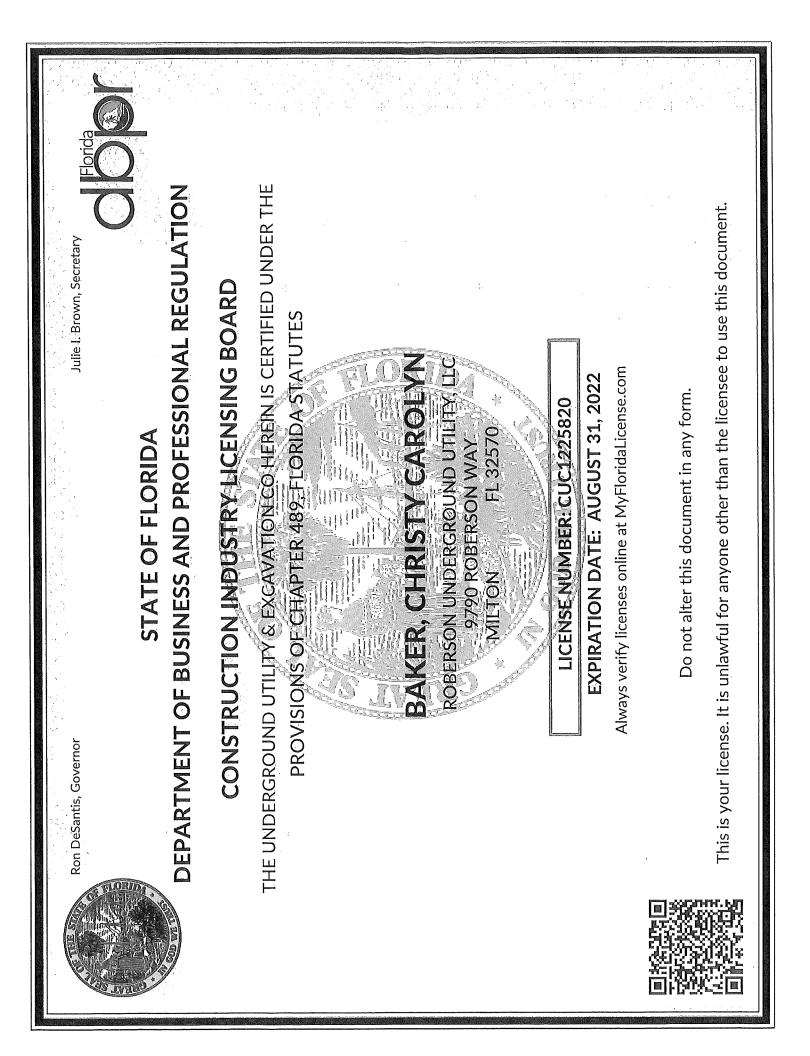
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# **CERTIFICATE OF LIABILITY INSURANCE**

DATE (MM/DD/YYYY) 07/30/2021

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CERTIFICATE HOLDER					CANCELLATION					
Santa Rosa County					SHOULD ANY OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED POLICIES BE CANCELLED BEFORE THE EXPIRATION DATE THEREOF, NOTICE WILL BE DELIVERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE POLICY PROVISIONS.					
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#### ALTERNATE EMPLOYER ENDORSEMENT

This endorsement applies only with respect to bodily injury to your employees while in the course of special or temporary employment by the alternate employer in the state named in Item 2 of the Schedule. Part One (Workers Compensation Insurance) and Part Two (Employers Liability Insurance) will apply as though the alternate employer is insured. If an entry is shown in Item 3 of the Schedule the insurance afforded by this endorsement applies only to work you perform under the contract or at the project named in the Schedule.

Under Part One (Workers Compensation Insurance) we will reimburse the alternate employer for the benefits required by the workers compensation law if we are not permitted to pay the benefits directly to the persons entitled to them.

The insurance afforded by this endorsement is not intended to satisfy the alternate employer's duty to secure its obligations under the workers compensation law. We will not file evidence of this insurance on behalf of the alternate employer with any government agency.

We will not ask any other insurer of the alternate employer to share with us a loss covered by this endorsement.

Premium will be charged for your employees while in the course of special or temporary employment by the alternate employer.

The policy may be canceled according to its terms without sending notice to the alternate employer.

Part Four (Your Duties If Injury Occurs) applies to you and the alternate employer. The alternate employer will recognize our right to defend under Parts One and Two and our right to inspect under Part Six.

Schedule

1. Alternate Employer Roberson Underground Utility, LLC

Address

- 2. State of Special or Temporary Employment WHERE PERMITTED BY LAW
- 3. Contract or Project

This endorsement changes the policy to which it is attached and is effective on the date issued unless otherwise stated. (The information below is required only when this endorsement is issued subsequent to preparation of the policy.)

Endorsement Effective 03/01/2021 Policy No. RT21MWC6990040802 Endorsemment No. N/A

Insured Four Point HR, LLC Premium

Insurance Company Service American Indemnity Company Countersigned by\_

John Mary

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# **CERTIFICATE OF LIABILITY INSURANCE**

DATE (MM/DD/YYYY) 8/17/2021

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IMPORTANT: If the certificate holder is an ADDITIONAL INSURED, the policy(ies) must have ADDITIONAL INSURED provisions or be endorsed. If SUBROGATION IS WAIVED, subject to the terms and conditions of the policy, certain policies may require an endorsement. A statement on this certificate does not confer rights to the certificate holder in lieu of such endorsement(s).									
PRODUCER				CONTAC NAME:		/			
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9790 Roberson Way Milton FL 32570				INSURER D :					
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							PERSONAL & ADV INJURY	\$ 1,000	,000
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То:	Brandy Kea
Subject:	RUU Registration

Brandy,

I think I finally found our registration. Please let me know if anything further is needed.

# **Roberson Underground Utility, LLC Toggle Actions** DUNS Unique Entity ID: 080113704 SAM Unique Entity ID: LQFYJGWEECF7 CAGE/NCAGE: 978P0 Entity Type: Registration Purpose of Registration: All Awards Address: 6013 Southridge Rd Milton, FL 32570-2002 USA Registration Status Active Expiration Date

Nov 8, 2022

Christy Baker Owner Roberson Underground Utility LLC 9790 Roberson Way Milton FL 32570 Office: 850-564-2095

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Exhibit B

# Santa Rosa County

# **Insurance Requirements**

# March 2021

**Workers' Compensation** – meet statutory limits in compliance with the Workers Compensation Laws of Florida. This policy must include Employer Liability with a limit of \$100,000 for each accident, \$500,000 disease policy limit and \$100,000 disease each employee limit.

**Commercial General Liability** – coverage shall provide minimum limits of liability of \$1,000,000 per occurrence, \$2,000,000 Aggregate, for bodily injury and property damage. This shall include coverage for:

- a. Premises/operations
- b. Products/complete operations
- c. Contractual liability
- d. Independent contractors

**Business Auto Liability** – coverage shall provide minimum limits \$500,000. Combined Single Limit for bodily injury and property damage. If Split limit coverage is provided Limits of 500,000 per person/500,000 per accident and 500,000 for property damage are required.

This shall include coverage for:

- a. Owned autos
- b. Hired autos
- c. Non-owned autos

Special Requirements:

1) Prior to execution of a contract or agreement, certificates of insurance will be produced that shall provide for the following:

a. Santa Rosa County shall be named as an additional insured on all coverages except workers' compensation.

b. Santa Rosa County will be given thirty (30) days' notice prior to cancellation or modification of any stipulated insurance.

2) It is the responsibility of the contractor to ensure that all subcontractors comply with all insurance requirements.

# *3)* It should be noted that these are minimum requirements which are subject to modification in response to specialized or high hazard operations.

In the event of unusual circumstances, the County Administrator, or his designee, may adjust these insurance requirements.

## **Exhibit C- Civil Rights Clauses**

## Title VI List of Pertinent Nondiscrimination Acts and Authorities

During the performance of this Agreement, the Contractor, for itself, its assignees, and successors in interest (hereinafter referred to as the "Contractor"), as applicable, agrees to comply with the following non-discrimination statutes and authorities; including but not limited to:

- Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 USC § 2000d *et seq.*, 78 stat. 252) (prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin);
- 49 CFR part 21 (Non-discrimination in Federally-assisted programs of the Department of Transportation—Effectuation of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964);
- The Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, (42 USC § 4601) (prohibits unfair treatment of persons displaced or whose property has been acquired because of Federal or Federal-aid programs and projects);
- Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 USC § 794 *et seq.*), as amended (prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability); and 49 CFR part 27;
- The Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 USC § 6101 *et seq.*) (prohibits discrimination on the basis of age);
- Airport and Airway Improvement Act of 1982 (49 USC § 471, Section 47123), as amended (prohibits discrimination based on race, creed, color, national origin, or sex);
- The Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987 (PL 100-209) (broadened the scope, coverage and applicability of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, by expanding the definition of the terms "programs or activities" to include all of the programs or activities of the Federal-aid recipients, sub-recipients and contractors, whether such programs or activities are Federally funded or not);
- Titles II and III of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, which prohibit discrimination on the basis of disability in the operation of public entities, public and private transportation systems, places of public accommodation, and certain testing entities (42 USC §§ 12131 12189) as implemented by U.S. Department of Transportation regulations at 49 CFR parts 37 and 38;
- The Federal Aviation Administration's Nondiscrimination statute (49 USC § 47123) (prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, and sex);
- Executive Order 12898, Federal Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low-Income Populations, which ensures nondiscrimination against minority populations by discouraging programs, policies, and activities with disproportionately high and adverse human health or environmental effects on minority and low-income populations;
- Executive Order 13166, Improving Access to Services for Persons with Limited English Proficiency, and resulting agency guidance, national origin discrimination includes discrimination because of limited English proficiency (LEP). To ensure compliance with Title VI, you must take reasonable steps to ensure that LEP persons have meaningful access to your programs (70 Fed. Reg. at 74087 to 74100);
- Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended, which prohibits you from discriminating because of sex in education programs or activities (20 USC 1681 et seq).

# Exhibit D VENDORS ON SCRUTINIZED COMPANIES LISTS

By executing this Certificate, the bid proposer, certifies that it is not: (1) listed on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List, created pursuant to section 215.4725, Florida Statutes, (2) engaged in a boycott of Israel, (3) listed on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List or the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List, created pursuant to section 215.473, Florida Statutes, or (4) engaged in business operations in Cuba or Syria. Pursuant to section 287.135(5), Florida Statutes, the County may disqualify the bid proper immediately or immediately terminate any agreement entered into for cause if the bid proposer is found to have submitted a false certification as to the above or if the Contractor is placed on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List, is engaged in a boycott of Israel, has been placed on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List or the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List, or has been engaged in business operations in Cuba or Syria, during the term of the Agreement. If the County determines that the bid proposer has submitted a false certification, the County will provide written notice to the bid proposer. Unless the bid proposer demonstrates in writing, within 90 calendar days of receipt of the notice, that the County's determination of false certification was made in error, the County shall bring a civil action against the bid proposer. If the County's determination is upheld, a civil penalty shall apply, and the bid proposer will be ineligible to bid on any Agreement with a Florida agency or local governmental entity for three years after the date of County's determination of false certification by bid proposer.

As the person authorized to sign this statement, I certify that this firm complies fully with the above requirements.

DATE: SIGNATURE NAME: COMPANY: (Typed or Printed) ADDRESS: TITLE: E-MAIL: Mobersonunderground 110 @aol

PHONE NO .:

850-564-209

#### Exhibit E Special Conditions <u>Federal Requirements</u> With EEO and Davis – Bacon Act

The following special conditions apply to the Agreement and are incorporated herein by reference:

<u>Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q.) and Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1251-1387)</u> Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders, and regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act (42 USC § 740-7671q) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act as amended (33 USC § 1251-1387). The Contractor agrees to report any violation to the County immediately upon discovery. The County assumes responsibility for notifying the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

Contractor must include this requirement in all subcontracts that exceeds \$150,000.

**Byrd Anti Lobbying Amendment (31 U.S. C. 1352).** The Certification regarding Lobbying executed by Contractor and attached as part of Attachment "A" to the Agreement is hereby acknowledged and made part of the Agreement by reference.

Work Hour and Safety Standards (40 U.S.C. 3701-3708). The Certification regarding Work Hours and Safety Standards executed by Contractor and attached as part of Attachment "A" to the Agreement is hereby acknowledged and made part of the Agreement by reference.

Equal Employment Opportunity (2 CFR Part 200, Appendix II(C); 41 CFR § 61-1.4; 41 CFR 61-4.3; Executive Order 11246). During the performance of this contract, the Contractor agrees as follows:

(1) The Contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin. The Contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identify, or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to, the following: employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff, or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The Contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

(2) The Contractor will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive considerations for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, or national origin.

(3) The Contractor will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which it has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice to be provided advising the said labor union or workers' representatives of the Contractor's commitments under this section and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.

(4) The Contractor will comply with all provisions of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and of the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor.

(5) The Contractor will furnish all information and reports required by Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and by rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor, or pursuant thereto, and will permit access to his books, records, and accounts by the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations, and orders.

(6) In the event of the Contractor's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this contract or with any of the said rules, regulations, or orders, this contract may be canceled, terminated, or suspended in whole or in part and the Contractor may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts or federally assisted construction

contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and such other sanctions may be imposed and remedies invoked as provided in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, or by rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary of Labor, or as otherwise provided by law.

(7) The Contractor will include the portion of the sentence immediately preceding paragraph (1) and the provisions of paragraphs (1) through (7) in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to section 204 of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor. The Contractor will take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as the administering agency may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions, including sanctions for noncompliance: *Provided, however*, that in the event a contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction by the administering agency the Contractor may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

# Standard Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Construction Contract Specifications:

1. As used in these specifications:

- a. "Covered area" means the geographical area described in the solicitation from which this contract resulted;
- b. "Director" means Director, Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs (OFCCP), U.S. Department of Labor, or any person to whom the Director delegates authority;
- c. "Employer identification number" means the Federal social security number used on the Employer's Quarterly Federal Tax Return, U.S. Treasury Department Form 941;
- d. "Minority" includes:

(1) Black (all persons having origins in any of the Black African racial groups not of Hispanic origin);

(2) Hispanic (all persons of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central or South American, or other Spanish culture or origin regardless of race);

(3) Asian and Pacific Islander (all persons having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, the Indian Subcontinent, or the Pacific Islands); and

(4) American Indian or Alaskan native (all persons having origins in any of the original peoples of North America and maintaining identifiable tribal affiliations through membership and participation or community identification).

2. Whenever the Contractor, or any subcontractor at any tier, subcontracts a portion of the work involving any construction trade, it shall physically include in each subcontract in excess of \$10,000 the provisions of these specifications and the Notice which contains the applicable goals for minority and female participation and which is set forth in the solicitations from which this contract resulted.

3. If the Contractor is participating (pursuant to 41 CFR part 60-4.5) in a Hometown Plan approved by the U.S. Department of Labor in the covered area either individually or through an association, its affirmative action obligations on all work in the Plan area (including goals and

timetables) shall be in accordance with that Plan for those trades which have unions participating in the Plan. Contractors shall be able to demonstrate their participation in and compliance with the provisions of any such Hometown Plan. Each contractor or subcontractor participating in an approved plan is individually required to comply with its obligations under the EEO clause and to make a good faith effort to achieve each goal under the Plan in each trade in which it has employees. The overall good faith performance by other contractors or subcontractors toward a goal in an approved Plan does not excuse any covered contractor's or subcontractor's failure to take good faith efforts to achieve the Plan goals and timetables.

4. The Contractor shall implement the specific affirmative action standards provided in paragraphs 7a through 7p of these specifications. The goals set forth in the solicitation from which this contract resulted are expressed as percentages of the total hours of employment and training of minority and female utilization the Contractor should reasonably be able to achieve in each construction trade in which it has employees in the covered area. Covered construction contractors performing construction work in a geographical area where they do not have a Federal or federally assisted construction contract shall apply the minority and female goals established for the geographical area where the work is being performed. Goals are published periodically in the Federal Register in notice form, and such notices may be obtained from any Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs office or from Federal procurement contracting officers. The Contractor is expected to make substantially uniform progress in meeting its goals in each craft during the period specified.

5. Neither the provisions of any collective bargaining agreement nor the failure by a union with whom the Contractor has a collective bargaining agreement to refer either minorities or women shall excuse the Contractor's obligations under these specifications, Executive Order 11246, or the regulations promulgated pursuant thereto.

6. In order for the non-working training hours of apprentices and trainees to be counted in meeting the goals, such apprentices and trainees shall be employed by the Contractor during the training period and the Contractor shall have made a commitment to employ the apprentices and trainees at the completion of their training, subject to the availability of employment opportunities. Trainees shall be trained pursuant to training programs approved by the U.S. Department of Labor.

7. The Contractor shall take specific affirmative actions to ensure equal employment opportunity. The evaluation of the Contractor's compliance with these specifications shall be based upon its effort to achieve maximum results from its actions. The Contractor shall document these efforts fully and shall implement affirmative action steps at least as extensive as the following:

a. Ensure and maintain a working environment free of harassment, intimidation, and coercion at all sites, and in all facilities at which the Contractor's employees are assigned to work. The Contractor, where possible, will assign two or more women to each construction project. The Contractor shall specifically ensure that all foremen, superintendents, and other

onsite supervisory personnel are aware of and carry out the Contractor's obligation to maintain such a working environment, with specific attention to minority or female individuals working at such sites or in such facilities.

b. Establish and maintain a current list of minority and female recruitment sources, provide written notification to minority and female recruitment sources and to community organizations when the Contractor or its unions have employment opportunities available, and maintain a record of the organizations' responses.

c. Maintain a current file of the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of each minority and female off-the-street applicant and minority or female referral from a union, a recruitment source, or community organization and of what action was taken with respect to each such individual. If such individual was sent to the union hiring hall for referral and was not referred back to the Contractor by the union or, if referred, not employed by the Contractor, this shall be documented in the file with the reason therefore along with whatever additional actions the Contractor may have taken.

d. Provide immediate written notification to the Director when the union or unions with which the Contractor has a collective bargaining agreement has not referred to the Contractor a minority person or female sent by the Contractor, or when the Contractor has other information that the union referral process has impeded the Contractor's efforts to meet its obligations.

e. Develop on-the-job training opportunities and/or participate in training programs for the area which expressly include minorities and women, including upgrading programs and apprenticeship and trainee programs relevant to the Contractor's employment needs, especially those programs funded or approved by the Department of Labor. The Contractor shall provide notice of these programs to the sources compiled under 7b above.

f. Disseminate the Contractor's EEO policy by providing notice of the policy to unions and training programs and requesting their cooperation in assisting the Contractor in meeting its EEO obligations; by including it in any policy manual and collective bargaining agreement; by publicizing it in the company newspaper, annual report, etc.; by specific review of the policy with all management personnel and with all minority and female employees at least once a year; and by posting the company EEO policy on bulletin boards accessible to all employees at each location where construction work is performed.

g. Review, at least annually, the company's EEO policy and affirmative action obligations under these specifications with all employees having any responsibility for hiring, assignment, layoff, termination, or other employment decisions, including specific review of these items, with onsite supervisory personnel such superintendents, general foremen, etc., prior to the initiation of construction work at any job site. A written record shall be made and maintained identifying the time and place of these meetings, persons attending, subject matter discussed, and disposition of the subject matter. h. Disseminate the Contractor's EEO policy externally by including it in any advertising in the news media, specifically including minority and female news media, and providing written notification to and discussing the Contractor's EEO policy with other contractors and subcontractors with whom the Contractor does or anticipates doing business.

i. Direct its recruitment efforts, both oral and written, to minority, female, and community organizations, to schools with minority and female students; and to minority and female recruitment and training organizations serving the Contractor's recruitment area and employment needs. Not later than one month prior to the date for the acceptance of applications for apprenticeship or other training by any recruitment source, the Contractor shall send written notification to organizations, such as the above, describing the openings, screening procedures, and tests to be used in the selection process.

j. Encourage present minority and female employees to recruit other minority persons and women and, where reasonable, provide after school, summer, and vacation employment to minority and female youth both on the site and in other areas of a contractor's workforce.

k. Validate all tests and other selection requirements where there is an obligation to do so under 41 CFR part 60-3.

1. Conduct, at least annually, an inventory and evaluation at least of all minority and female personnel, for promotional opportunities and encourage these employees to seek or to prepare for, through appropriate training, etc., such opportunities.

m. Ensure that seniority practices, job classifications, work assignments, and other personnel practices do not have a discriminatory effect by continually monitoring all personnel and employment related activities to ensure that the EEO policy and the Contractor's obligations under these specifications are being carried out.

n. Ensure that all facilities and company activities are non-segregated except that separate or single user toilet and necessary changing facilities shall be provided to assure privacy between the sexes.

o. Document and maintain a record of all solicitations of offers for subcontracts from minority and female construction contractors and suppliers, including circulation of solicitations to minority and female contractor associations and other business associations.

p. Conduct a review, at least annually, of all supervisor's adherence to and performance under the Contractor's EEO policies and affirmative action obligations.

8. Contractors are encouraged to participate in voluntary associations, which assist in fulfilling one or more of their affirmative action obligations (7a through 7p). The efforts of a contractor association, joint contractor union, contractor community, or other similar groups of which the Contractor is a member and participant may be asserted as fulfilling any one or more of its obligations under 7a through 7p of these specifications provided that the Contractor actively participates in the group, makes every effort to assure that the group has a positive impact on

the employment of minorities and women in the industry, ensures that the concrete benefits of the program are reflected in the Contractor's minority and female workforce participation, makes a good faith effort to meet its individual goals and timetables, and can provide access to documentation which demonstrates the effectiveness of actions taken on behalf of the Contractor. The obligation to comply, however, is the Contractor's and failure of such a group to fulfill an obligation shall not be a defense for the Contractor's noncompliance.

9. A single goal for minorities and a separate single goal for women have been established. The Contractor, however, is required to provide equal employment opportunity and to take affirmative action for all minority groups, both male and female, and all women, both minority and non-minority. Consequently, if the particular group is employed in a substantially disparate manner (for example, even though the Contractor has achieved its goals for women generally), the Contractor may be in violation of the Executive Order if a specific minority group of women is underutilized.

10. The Contractor shall not use the goals and timetables or affirmative action standards to discriminate against any person because of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin.

11. The Contractor shall not enter into any subcontract with any person or firm debarred from Government contracts pursuant to Executive Order 11246.

12. The Contractor shall carry out such sanctions and penalties for violation of these specifications and of the Equal Opportunity Clause, including suspension, termination, and cancellation of existing subcontracts as may be imposed or ordered pursuant to Executive Order 11246, as amended, and its implementing regulations, by the Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs. Any contractor who fails to carry out such sanctions and penalties shall be in violation of these specifications and Executive Order 11246, as amended.

13. The Contractor, in fulfilling its obligations under these specifications, shall implement specific affirmative action steps, at least as extensive as those standards prescribed in paragraph 7 of these specifications, so as to achieve maximum results from its efforts to ensure equal employment opportunity. If the Contractor fails to comply with the requirements of the Executive Order, the implementing regulations, or these specifications, the Director shall proceed in accordance with 41 CFR part 60-4.8.

14. The Contractor shall designate a responsible official to monitor all employment related activity to ensure that the company EEO policy is being carried out, to submit reports relating to the provisions hereof as may be required by the Government, and to keep records. Records shall at least include for each employee, the name, address, telephone number, construction trade, union affiliation if any, employee identification number when assigned, social security number, race, sex, status (e.g., mechanic, apprentice, trainee, helper, or laborer), dates of changes in status, hours worked per week in the indicated trade, rate of pay, and locations at which the work was performed. Records shall be maintained in an easily understandable and

retrievable form; however, to the degree that existing records satisfy this requirement, contractors shall not be required to maintain separate records.

15. Nothing herein provided shall be construed as a limitation upon the application of other laws which establish different standards of compliance or upon the application of requirements for the hiring of local or other area residents (e.g. those under the Public Works Employment Act of 1977 and the Community Development Block Grant Program).

# Davis-Bacon Act (2 CFR Part 200; 29 CFR Part 5).

# 1. Minimum Wages.

(i) All laborers and mechanics employed or working upon the site of the work will be paid unconditionally and not less often than once a week, and without subsequent deduction or rebate on any account (except such payroll deductions as are permitted by the Secretary of Labor under the Copeland Act (29 CFR Part 3)), the full amount of wages and bona fide fringe benefits (or cash equivalent thereof) due at time of payment computed at rates not less than those contained in the wage determination of the Secretary of Labor which is attached hereto and made a part hereof, regardless of any contractual relationship which may be alleged to exist between the Contractor and such laborers and mechanics.

Contributions made or costs reasonably anticipated for bona fide fringe benefits under section 1(b)(2) of the Davis-Bacon Act on behalf of laborers or mechanics are considered wages paid to such laborers or mechanics, subject to the provisions of paragraph (1)(iv) of this section; also, regular contributions made or costs incurred for more than a weekly period (but not less often than quarterly) under plans, funds, or programs which cover the particular weekly period, are deemed to be constructively made or incurred during such weekly period. Such laborers and mechanics shall be paid the appropriate wage rate and fringe benefits on the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed, without regard to skill, except as provided in 29 CFR Part 5.5(a)(4). Laborers or mechanics performing work in more than one classification may be compensated at the rate specified for each classification for the time actually worked therein: *Provided* that the employer's payroll records accurately set forth the time spent in each classification in which work is performed. The wage determination (including any additional classification and wage rates conformed under (1)(ii) of this section) and the Davis-Bacon poster (WH-1321) shall be posted at all times by the Contractor and its subcontractors at the site of the work in a prominent and accessible place where it can easily be seen by the workers.

(ii)(A) The contracting officer shall require that any class of laborers or mechanics, including helpers, which is not listed in the wage determination and which is to be employed under the contract shall be classified in conformance with the wage determination. The contracting officer shall approve an additional classification and wage rate and fringe benefits therefore only when the following criteria have been met:

(1) The work to be performed by the classification requested is not performed by a classification in the wage determination;

(2) The classification is utilized in the area by the construction industry; and

(3) The proposed wage rate, including any bona fide fringe benefits, bears a reasonable relationship to the wage rates contained in the wage determination.

(B) If the Contractor and the laborers and mechanics to be employed in the classification (if known), or their representatives, and the contracting officer agree on the classification and wage rate (including the amount designated for fringe benefits where appropriate), a report of the action taken shall be sent by the contracting officer to the Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division, Employment Standards Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Washington, DC 20210. The Administrator, or an authorized representative, will approve, modify, or

disapprove every additional classification action within 30 days of receipt and so advise the contracting officer or will notify the contracting officer within the 30-day period that additional time is necessary.

(C) In the event the Contractor, the laborers, or mechanics to be employed in the classification, or their representatives, and the contracting officer do not agree on the proposed classification and wage rate (including the amount designated for fringe benefits where appropriate), the contracting officer shall refer the questions, including the views of all interested parties and the recommendation of the contracting officer, to the Administrator for determination. The Administrator, or an authorized representative, will issue a determination within 30 days of receipt and so advise the contracting officer or will notify the contracting officer within the 30-day period that additional time is necessary.

(D) The wage rate (including fringe benefits where appropriate) determined pursuant to subparagraphs (1)(ii) (B) or (C) of this paragraph, shall be paid to all workers performing work in the classification under this contract from the first day on which work is performed in the classification.

(iii) Whenever the minimum wage rate prescribed in the contract for a class of laborers or mechanics includes a fringe benefit which is not expressed as an hourly rate, the contractor shall either pay the benefit as stated in the wage determination or shall pay another bona fide fringe benefit or an hourly cash equivalent thereof.

(iv) If the Contractor does not make payments to a trustee or other third person, the Contractor may consider as part of the wages of any laborer or mechanic the amount of any costs reasonably anticipated in providing bona fide fringe benefits under a plan or program: *Provided* that the Secretary of Labor has found, upon the written request of the Contractor, that the applicable standards of the Davis-Bacon Act have been met. The Secretary of Labor may require the Contractor to set aside in a separate account assets for the meeting of obligations under the plan or program.

## 2. Withholding.

The Contractor or the County shall upon its own action or upon written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor withhold or cause to be withheld from the Contractor under this contract or any other Federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other federally-assisted contract subject to Davis-Bacon prevailing wage requirements, which is held by the same prime contractor, so much of the accrued payments or advances as may be considered necessary to pay laborers and mechanics, including apprentices, trainees, and helpers, employed by the Contractor or any subcontractor the full amount of wages required by the contract. In the event of failure to pay any laborer or mechanic, including any apprentice, trainee, or helper, employed or working on the site of work, all or part of the wages required by the contract, after written notice to the Contractor, County, Applicant, or County, take such action as may be necessary to cause the suspension of any further payment, advance, or guarantee of funds until such violations have ceased.

## 3. Payrolls and Basic Records.

(i) Payrolls and basic records relating thereto shall be maintained by the Contractor during the course of the work and preserved for a period of three years thereafter for all laborers and mechanics working at the site of the work. Such records shall contain the name, address, and social security number of each such worker; his or her correct classification; hourly rates of wages paid (including rates of contributions or costs anticipated for bona fide fringe benefits or cash equivalents thereof of the types described in 1(b)(2)(B) of the Davis-Bacon Act); daily and weekly number of hours worked; deductions made; and actual wages paid. Whenever the Secretary of Labor has found under 29 CFR 5.5(a)(1)(iv) that the wages of any laborer or mechanic include the amount of any costs reasonably anticipated in providing benefits under a plan or program described in section 1(b)(2)(B) of the Davis-Bacon Act, the Contractor shall maintain records that show that the commitment to provide such benefits is enforceable, that the plan or program is financially responsible, and that the plan or program has been communicated in writing to the laborers or mechanics affected, and that show the costs anticipated or the actual costs incurred in providing such benefits. Contractors employing apprentices or trainees under approved programs shall maintain written evidence of the registration of apprenticeship programs and certification of trainee programs, the registration of the apprentices and trainees, and the ratios and wage rates prescribed in the applicable programs.

(ii)(A) The Contractor shall submit weekly for each week in which any contract work is performed a copy of all payrolls to the County if the agency is a party to the contract, but if the agency is not such a party, the Contractor will submit the payrolls to the applicant, County, or County, as the case may be, for transmission to the County. The payrolls submitted shall set out accurately and completely all of the information required to be maintained under 29 CFR 5.5(a)(3)(i), except that full social security numbers and home addresses shall not be included on weekly transmittals. Instead the payrolls shall only need to include an individually identifying number for each employee (e.g. the last four digits of the employee's social security number). The required weekly payroll information may be submitted in any form desired. Optional Form WH-347 is available for this purpose from the Wage and Hour Division Web site at www.dol.gov/whd/forms/wh347instr.htm or its successor site. The prime contractor is responsible for the submission of copies of payrolls by all subcontractors. Contractors and subcontractors shall maintain the full social security number and current address of each covered worker and shall provide them upon request to the County if the agency is a party to the contract, but if the agency is not such a party, the Contractor will submit them to the applicant, County, or Owner, as the case may be, for transmission to the County, the Contractor, or the Wage and Hour Division of the Department of Labor for purposes of an investigation or audit of compliance with prevailing wage requirements. It is not a violation of this section for a prime contractor to require a subcontractor to provide addresses and social security numbers to the prime contractor for its own records, without weekly submission to the Countying government agency (or the applicant, County, or Owner).

(B) Each payroll submitted shall be accompanied by a "Statement of Compliance," signed by the Contractor or subcontractor or his or her agent who pays or supervises the payment of the persons employed under the contract and shall certify the following:

(1) The payroll for the payroll period contains the information required to be provided under 29 CFR § 5.5(a)(3)(ii), the appropriate information is being maintained under 29 CFR § 5.5(a)(3)(i), and that such information is correct and complete;

(2) Each laborer and mechanic (including each helper, apprentice, and trainee) employed on the contract during the payroll period has been paid the full weekly wages earned, without rebate, either directly or indirectly, and that no deductions have been made either directly or indirectly from the full wages earned, other than permissible deductions as set forth in Regulations 29 CFR Part 3;

(3) Each laborer or mechanic has been paid not less than the applicable wage rates and fringe benefits or cash equivalents for the classification of work performed, as specified in the applicable wage determination incorporated into the contract.

(C) The weekly submission of a properly executed certification set forth on the reverse side of Optional Form WH-347 shall satisfy the requirement for submission of the "Statement of Compliance" required by paragraph (3)(ii)(B) of this section.

(D) The falsification of any of the above certifications may subject the Contractor or subcontractor to civil or criminal prosecution under Section 1001 of Title 18 and Section 231 of Title 31 of the United States Code.

(iii) The Contractor or subcontractor shall make the records required under paragraph (3)(i) of this section available for inspection, copying, or transcription by authorized representatives of the County, or the Department of Labor and shall permit such representatives to interview employees during working hours on the job. If the Contractor or subcontractor fails to submit the required records or to make them available, the Federal agency may, after written notice to the Contractor, County, applicant, or Owner, take such action as may be necessary to cause the suspension of any further payment, advance, or guarantee of funds. Furthermore, failure to submit the required records upon request or to make such records available may be grounds for debarment action pursuant to 29 CFR 5.12.

4. Apprentices and Trainees.

(i) Apprentices. Apprentices will be permitted to work at less than the predetermined rate for the work they performed when they are employed pursuant to and individually registered in a bona fide apprenticeship program registered with the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training, or with a State Apprenticeship Agency recognized by the Bureau, or if a person is employed in his or her first 90 days of probationary employment as an apprentice in such an apprenticeship program, who is not individually registered in the program, but who has been certified by the Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training or a State Apprenticeship Agency (where appropriate) to be eligible for probationary employment as an apprentice. The allowable ratio of apprentices to journeymen on the job site in any craft classification shall not be greater than the ratio permitted to the contractor as to the entire work force under the registered program. Any worker listed on a payroll at an apprentice wage rate, who is not registered or otherwise employed as stated above, shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed. In addition, any apprentice performing work on the job site in excess of the ratio permitted under the registered program shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the work actually performed. Where a contractor is performing construction on a project in a locality other than that in which its program is registered, the ratios and wage rates (expressed in percentages of the journeyman's hourly rate) specified in the Contractor's or subcontractor's registered program shall be observed. Every apprentice must be paid at not less than the rate specified in the registered program for the apprentice's level of progress, expressed as a percentage of the journeymen hourly rate specified in the applicable wage determination. Apprentices shall be paid fringe benefits in accordance with the provisions of the apprenticeship program. If the apprenticeship program does not specify fringe benefits, apprentices must be paid the full amount of fringe benefits listed on the wage determination for the applicable classification. If the Administrator determines that a different practice prevails for the applicable apprentice classification, fringes shall be paid in accordance with that determination. In the event the Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training, or a State Apprenticeship Agency recognized by the Bureau, withdraws approval of an apprenticeship program, the Contractor will no longer be permitted to utilize apprentices at less than the applicable predetermined rate for the work performed until an acceptable program is approved.

(ii) Trainees. Except as provided in 29 CFR 5.16, trainees will not be permitted to work at less than the predetermined rate for the work performed unless they are employed pursuant to and individually registered in a program which has received prior approval, evidenced by formal certification by the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration. The ratio of trainees to journeymen on the job site shall not be greater than permitted under the plan approved by the Employment and Training Administration. Every trainee must be paid at not less than the rate specified in the approved program for the trainee's level of progress, expressed as a percentage of the journeyman hourly rate specified in the applicable wage determination. Trainees shall be paid fringe benefits in accordance with the provisions of the trainee program. If the trainee program does not mention fringe benefits, trainees shall be paid the full amount of fringe benefits listed on the wage determination unless the Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division determines that there is an apprenticeship program associated with the corresponding journeyman wage rate on the wage determination that provides for less than full fringe benefits for apprentices. Any employee listed on the payroll at a trainee rate that is not registered and participating in a training plan approved by the Employment and Training Administration shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed. In addition, any trainee performing work on the job site in excess of the ratio permitted under the registered program shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the work actually performed. In the event the Employment and Training Administration withdraws approval of a training program, the Contractor will no longer be permitted to utilize trainees at less than the applicable predetermined rate for the work performed until an acceptable program is approved.

(iii) Equal Employment Opportunity. The utilization of apprentices, trainees, and journeymen under this part shall be in conformity with the equal employment opportunity requirements of Executive Order 11246, as amended, and 29 CFR Part 30.

5. Compliance with Copeland Act Requirements.

The Contractor shall comply with the requirements of 29 CFR Part 3, which are incorporated by reference in this contract.

6. Subcontracts.

The Contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clauses contained in 29 CFR Part 5.5(a)(1) through (10) and such other clauses as may by appropriate instructions require, and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor shall be responsible for the compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with all the contract clauses in 29 CFR Part 5.5.

7. Contract Termination: Debarment.

A breach of the contract clauses in paragraph 1 through 10 of this section may be grounds for termination of the contract, and for debarment as a contractor and a subcontractor as provided in 29 CFR 5.12.

8. Compliance with Davis-Bacon and Related Act Requirements.

All rulings and interpretations of the Davis-Bacon and Related Acts contained in 29 CFR Parts 1, 3, and 5 are herein incorporated by reference in this contract.

9. Disputes Concerning Labor Standards.

Disputes arising out of the labor standards provisions of this contract shall not be subject to the general disputes clause of this contract. Such disputes shall be resolved in accordance with the procedures of the Department of Labor set forth in 29 CFR Parts 5, 6, and 7. Disputes within the meaning of this clause include disputes between the Contractor (or any of its subcontractors) and the contracting agency, the U.S. Department of Labor, or the employees or their representatives.

10. Certification of Eligibility.

(i) By entering into this contract, the Contractor certifies that neither it (nor he or she) nor any person or firm who has an interest in the Contractor's firm is a person or firm ineligible to be awarded Government contracts by virtue of section 3(a) of the Davis-Bacon Act or 29 CFR 5.12(a)(1).

(ii) No part of this contract shall be subcontracted to any person or firm ineligible for award of a Government contract by virtue of section 3(a) of the Davis-Bacon Act or 29 CFR 5.12(a)(1).

(iii) The penalty for making false statements is prescribed in the U.S. Criminal Code, 18 USC 1001.



U.S. Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service

#### NOTICE OF GRANT AND AGREEMENT AWARD

1. Award Identifying Number	2. Amendr	nent Number	3. Award /Project Per	iod	4. Type of award instrument:		
NR214209XXXXC003			NRCS signature - 0	9/10/2021	Cooperative Agreement		
5. Agency (Name and Address)		6. Recipient Organization (Name and Address)					
Natural Resources Conservati P. O. Box 141510 Gainesville, FL 32614-1510	ion Service		SANTA ROSA, COUNTY OF 6495 CAROLINE STREET MILTON FL 32570-4592 DUNS: 077906444 EIN:				
7. NRCS Program Contact		Administrative ontact	9. Recipient Program Contact		10. Recipient Administrative Contact		
Phone: (352) 338-9559 Email: jason.strenth@usda. Email: MC		DIRA SANFORD 14) 255-2495 IRA. D@USDA.GOV	Name: Naisy Dolar Phone: (850) 981-2019 Email: naisyd@santarosa.fl.gov		Name: Mark Murray Phone: (850) 983-1877 Email: markm@santarosa.fl. gov		
11. CFDA	12. Author	ity	13. Type of Action		14. Program Director		
10.923	33 U.S.C.	701b-1	New Agreement		Name: Rebecca Jones Phone: (850) 981-7129 Email: rebeccaj@santarosa.fl. gov		
15. Project Title/ Description: Emergency Watershed Program project 5075, FL, Santa Rose County; DSR SAL-SRC-002 Cove Rd Ditch, SAL-SRC-003 Quintette Rd, channel stabilization (6000017128)							
16. Entity Type: B = County Government							
17. Select Funding Type							
Select funding type:	🕅 Federal		🛛 Non-Fe	ederal			
Original funds total		\$601,064.75		\$176,783.75			
Additional funds total		\$0.00		\$0.00			
Grand total	\$601,064.75	\$601,064.75 \$176,78		3.75			
18. Approved Budget							

Personnel \$0.00		Fringe Benefits	\$0.00	
Travel \$0.00		Equipment	\$0.00	
Supplies \$0.00		Contractual	\$0.00	
Construction \$530,351.25		Other	\$70,713.50	
Total Direct Cost \$601,064.75		Total Indirect Cost	\$0.00	
		Total Non-Federal Funds	\$176,783.75	
		Total Federal Funds Awarded	\$601,064.75	
		Total Approved Budget	\$777,848.50	

This agreement is subject to applicable USDA NRCS statutory provisions and Financial Assistance Regulations. In accepting this award or amendment and any payments made pursuant thereto, the undersigned represents that he or she is duly authorized to act on behalf of the awardee organization, agrees that the award is subject to the applicable provisions of this agreement (and all attachments), and agrees that acceptance of any payments constitutes an agreement by the payee that the amounts, if any, found by NRCS to have been overpaid, will be refunded or credited in full to NRCS.

Name and Title of Authorized Government Representative Juan C. Hernandez State Conservationist	Signature	Date
Name and Title of Authorized Recipient Representative Mark Murray Assistant County Administrator	Signature	Date

# NONDISCRIMINATION STATEMENT

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#### PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT

The above statements are made in accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. Section 522a).

## Statement of Work

#### Purpose

The purpose of this agreement is for the United States Department of Agriculture, Natural Resources Conservation Service, hereinafter referred to as the "NRCS", to provide technical and financial assistance to Santa Rosa County, hereinafter referred to as the "Sponsor", for EWP Project # 5075 in Santa Rosa County, Florida for implementation of recovery measures, that, if left undone, pose a risk to life and/or property.

#### Objectives

The design and installation of EWP measures as detailed in the individual Damage Survey Reports (DSR) and described here:

- DSR SAL-SRC-002 – Cove Road ditch stabilization - \$368,500

- DSR SAL-SRC-003 - Quintette Road ditch stabilization - \$338,635

Total Estimated Construction Cost = \$707,135

#### **Budget Narrative**

A. The estimated costs for the Project:

1. Total Estimated Project Budget: \$777,848.50

The budget includes:

Financial Assistance (FA) Costs: Construction Costs (75% NRCS \$530,351.25 + 25% Sponsor \$176,783.75): \$707,135.00

Technical Assistance (TA) Costs: 100% NRCS (10.0% of total construction cost): \$70,713.50

2. NRCS pays up to 75 percent of eligible construction costs and Sponsor pays 25 percent of construction costs. NRCS will contribute up to 10.0 percent of the total construction cost for contract administration and construction management costs. It is possible that technical and administrative costs will exceed this amount, requiring the Sponsor to contribute resources to complete technical and administrative work

3. NRCS funding for this project is provided to the Sponsor in two separate NRCS funding accounts, one for financial assistance (FA) and one for technical assistance (TA). FA costs are associated with construction activities; TA costs are associated with services. These expenditures shall be accounted for separately in order for expenses to be eligible for reimbursement.

4. NRCS will provide FA for actual costs as reimbursement to the Sponsor for approved on-the-ground construction costs, subject to above limits. If costs are reduced, reimbursement will be reduced accordingly. Construction costs are associated with the installation of the project measures including labor, equipment and materials.

5. NRCS will provide TA reimbursement to the Sponsor for technical and administrative costs directly charged to the project, subject to the above limits. If costs are reduced, reimbursement will be reduced accordingly. These costs include

a. engineering costs include, but not limited to, developing a project design that includes construction drawings and specifications, an operation and maintenance plan, a quality assurance/inspection plan and an engineer's estimate of the project installation costs in addition to providing necessary quality assurance during construction.

b. contract administration costs include, but not limited to, soliciting, evaluating, awarding and administering contracts for construction and engineering services, including project management, verifying invoices and record keeping.

6. The Sponsor will contribute funds toward the total construction costs in either direct cash expenditures, the value of non-cash materials or services, or in-kind contributions. The value of any in-kind contribution shall be agreed to in writing prior to implementation.

#### **Responsibilities of the Parties:**

A. Sponsor will—

1. Accomplish construction of the EWP project measures by contracting, in-kind construction services, or a combination of both.

2. Ensure and certify by signing this agreement that its cost share obligation is from a non-Federal source.

3. Comply with the terms and conditions of this agreement and the attached general terms and conditions except those that are not applicable to State and local governments.

4. Acquire adequate real property rights (land and water), permits and licenses in accordance with local, state, and Federal laws necessary for the installation of EWP project measures at no cost to NRCS prior to construction. This includes any rights associated with required environmental mitigation. Costs related to land rights and permits are the Sponsor's responsibility and ineligible for reimbursement.

5. Accept all financial and other responsibility for excess costs resulting from their failure to obtain, or their delay in obtaining, adequate land and water rights, permits and licenses needed for the Project.

6. Provide the agreed-to portion of the actual, eligible and approved construction cost. These costs may be in the form of cash, in-kind construction services, or a combination of both. Final construction items that are eligible construction costs will be agreed upon during the pre-design conference. These costs consist of costs from contracts awarded to contractors and eligible Sponsor in-kind construction costs for materials, labor, and equipment. The Sponsor shall provide NRCS documentation to support all eligible construction costs. Construction costs incurred prior to the Sponsor and NRCS signing this agreement are ineligible and will not be reimbursed.

**7**. Be responsible for 100 percent of all ineligible construction costs and 100 percent of any unapproved upgrade to increase the level of protection over and above that described in the DSR.

8. Account for and report FA and TA expenditures separately in order for expenses to be eligible for reimbursement. NRCS funding for this project is provided to the Sponsor in two separate NRCS funding accounts, one for TA and one for FA, requiring this separation.

9. The contracts for design services and construction described in this Agreement shall not be awarded to the Sponsor or to any firm in which any Sponsor's official or any member of such official's immediate family has direct or indirect interest in the pecuniary profits or contracts of such firms. Reference 2 CFR § 200.318 regarding standards of conduct covering conflicts of interest and governing the performance of its employees engaged in the selection, award, and administration of contracts.

10. For in-kind construction services (materials, labor, and/or equipment supplied by the Sponsor), develop a Plan of Operations describing the construction services to be performed including estimated quantities and values. The Plan of Operations shall be concurred in by NRCS at the pre-design conference. In-kind construction services for equipment shall not exceed published FEMA equipment rates unless otherwise documented and concurred in advance by NRCS.

11. The following documentation is required to support the Sponsor's request for reimbursement of in-kind construction services:

a. Invoices covering actual costs of materials used in constructing the eligible EWP project measures.

b. Records documenting the type, quality, and quantities of materials actually used in constructing the eligible EWP project measures.

c. Daily time records for each employee showing name, classification, wage rate, hours, and dates actually employed for constructing the eligible EWP project measures.

d. Equipment operating records showing the type and size of equipment, hourly rate, actual hours of operation and dates used to install the eligible EWP project measures. Equipment idle time is not eligible in-kind construction services, even if on the job site, and should not be included in the equipment operating records.

12. Ensure that any special requirements for compliance with environmental and/or cultural resource laws are incorporated into the project.

13. The Sponsor must secure at its own expense all Federal, State, and local permits and licenses necessary for completion of the work described in this agreement as well as any necessary natural resource rights and provide copies of all permits and licenses obtained to NRCS.

14. Will arrange and pay for any necessary location, removal, or relocation of utilities. EWP program regulations prohibit NRCS from reimbursing the Sponsor or otherwise paying for any such costs; nor do the costs qualify as a Sponsor cost-share contribution. This also applies to temporary utilities.

15. Ensure that technical and engineering standards and specifications of NRCS are adhered to during construction of the Project, as interpreted by NRCS Program/Technical Contact. Provide NRCS Government Representative (GR) and Program/Technical Contact progress reports every two weeks after execution of the agreement. Progress reports should include technical on-site inspections of work accomplished for the period, work planned, results of material tests, deficient work products and/or tests with corrective actions taken, modifications anticipated, technical problems encountered, contractual issues and other relevant information.

16. Ensure that all contractors on NRCS assisted projects are performing their work in accordance with OSHA regulations and the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 USC 3701-3708) as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 5). The Sponsor is responsible for periodically checking the contractor's compliance with safety requirements.

17. Provide as-built drawings and quantities for the project. A copy of the as-built drawings will be submitted to the NRCS Government Representative.

18. Pay the contractor(s) for work performed in accordance with the agreement and submit a request for reimbursement on the NRCS provided EWP cost spreadsheet to the Government Representative with all documentation to support the request. Final payment request shall be submitted within 90 calendar days of completion of the EWP project measures. Payments will be withheld until all required documentation is submitted and complete.

a. The required supporting documentation for reimbursement of construction costs include invoices and proof of payment to the contractor showing the items and quantities installed and certified by the engineer of record along with any supporting documentation such as quantity calculations, rock weight tickets, etc.

b. The required supporting documentation for reimbursement of in-kind construction expenses will include employee time sheets, employee hourly rate, equipment operating logs, equipment hourly rate, and material quantities and invoices.

c. The required documentation for reimbursement of technical and administrative services will be invoices and proof or payment to consultants and/or employee time sheets along with the employee's hourly rate, hours worked, and date work was performed.

19. Ensure that information in the System for Award Management (SAM) is current and accurate until the final financial report (SF-425) under this award or final payment is received, whichever is later.

20. Take reasonable and necessary actions to dispose of all contractual and administrative issues arising out of the contract(s) awarded under this Agreement. This includes, but is not limited to disputes, claims, protests of award, source evaluation, and litigation that may result from the Project. Such actions will be at the expense of the Sponsor, including any legal expenses. The Sponsor will advise, consult with, and obtain prior written concurrence of NRCS on any litigation matters in which NRCS could have a financial interest.

21. Sponsor must indemnify and hold NRCS harmless to the extent permitted by State law for any costs, damages, claims, liabilities, and judgments arising from past, present, and future acts or omissions of the Sponsor in connection with its acquisition and management of the Emergency Watershed Protection Program pursuant to this agreement. Further, the Sponsor agrees that NRCS will have no responsibility for acts and omissions of the Sponsor, its agents, successors, assigns, employees, contractors, or lessees in connection with the acquisition and management of the Emergency Watershed Protection Program pursuant to this agreement of the Emergency Watershed Protection and management of the Emergency Watershed Protection Program pursuant to this agreement that result in violation of any laws and regulations that are now or that may in the future become applicable.

22. Retain all records dealing with the award and administration of the contract(s) for 3 years from the date of the Sponsor's submission of the final request for reimbursement or until final audit findings have been resolved, whichever is longer. If any litigation is started before the expiration of the 3-year period, records are to be retained until the litigation is resolved or the end of the 3-year period, whichever is longer. Make such records available to the Comptroller General of the United States or his or her duly authorized representative and accredited representatives of the Department of Agriculture or cognizant audit agency for the purpose of making audit, examination, excerpts, and transcriptions.

23. Be liable to the NRCS for damages sustained by the NRCS as a result of the contractor failing to complete the work within the specified time. The damages will be based upon the additional costs incurred by the NRCS resulting from the contractor not completing the work within the allowable performance period. These costs include but are not limited to personnel costs, travel, etc. The NRCS will have the right to withhold such amount out of any monies that may be then due or that may become due and payable to the Sponsor. This liability is not applicable to the extent that the contract

performance time is extended by court judgment unless such judgment results from actions of the Sponsor not concurred in by NRCS.

24. Take necessary legal action, including bringing suit, to collect from the contractor any monies due in connection with the contract, or upon request of NRCS, assign and transfer to NRCS any or all claims, demands, and causes of action of every kind whatsoever that the Sponsor has against the contractor or his or her sureties.

25. Submit requests for a time extension to the agreement (if necessary) in writing no less than forty-five (45) days prior to the expiration date of the agreement. The time extension request shall provide a justification for the time extension and be supported by a revised schedule showing the work completed by the requested date. Submit the written, signed request to the NRCS Program/Technical Contact.

26. Submit performance reports on an annual basis to the Government Representative and to the Farm Production and Conservation (FPAC) Grants and Agreements Division staff via email to: FPAC.BC.GAD@usda.gov. Reports are due 30 calendar days after the reporting period and are based on the agreement period of performance start date.

27. Submit SF-425 Financial Reports on a semi-annual basis to the Government Representative and to the Farm Production and Conservation (FPAC) Grants and Agreements Division via email to: FPAC.BC.GAD@usda.gov. Reports are due 30 calendar days after the reporting period and are based on the agreement period of performance start date.

28. Submit payment requests to the Government Representative and the Farm Production and Conservation(FPAC) Grants and Agreements Division via email to: FPAC.BC.GAD@usda.gov on a monthly or quarterly basis, after construction starts. Refer to the General Terms and Conditions for more information regarding payment requests.

29. The recipient (including subrecipients) is responsible for compliance with the prohibition on certain telecommunications and video surveillance services or equipment identified in 2 CFR 200.216. See Public Law 115-232, Section 889 for additional information. In accordance with 2 CFR 200.216, the recipient (including subrecipients) is prohibited from obligating or expending loan or grant funds for covered telecommunications equipment or services to:

(1) procure or obtain, extend or renew a contract to procure or obtain;

(2) enter into a contract (or extend or renew a contract) to procure; or

(3) obtain the equipment, services or systems.

30. In accordance with 2 CFR 200.340, the recipient understands this agreement may be terminated in whole or in part as follows:

(1) By the Federal awarding agency or pass-through entity, if a recipient fails to comply with the terms and conditions of a Federal award;

(2) By the Federal awarding agency or pass-through entity, to the greatest extent authorized by law, if an award no longer effectuates the program goals or agency priorities;

(3) By the Federal awarding agency or pass-through entity with the consent of the recipient, in which case the two parties must agree upon the termination conditions, including the effective date and, in the case of partial termination, the portion to be terminated; or (

4) By the recipient upon sending to the Federal awarding agency or pass-through entity written notification setting forth the reasons for such termination, the effective date, and, in the case of partial termination, the portion to be terminated. However, if the Federal awarding agency or pass-through entity determines in the case of partial termination that the reduced or modified portion of the Federal award or subaward will not accomplish the purposes for which the Federal award in agency or pass-through entity may terminate the Federal award in its entirety.

#### B. NRCS will-

1. Assist Sponsor in establishing design parameters; determine eligible construction costs during the pre-design conference.

2. Designate a Government representative (GR) to serve as liaison with the Sponsor and identify that person's contact information with this executed agreement.

3. Review, comment and concur in preliminary and final plans, specifications, O&M Plan (if required), Plan of Operations (if required) and QAP.

4. Make periodic site visits during the installation of the EWP project measures to review construction progress, document conformance to engineering plans and specifications, and provide any necessary clarification on the Sponsor's responsibilities.

5. Upon notification of the completion of the EWP project measures, NRCS shall promptly review the performance of the

Sponsor to determine if the requirements of this agreement and fund expenditures as agreed have been met.

6. Make payment to the Sponsor covering NRCS' share of the cost upon receipt and approval of Form SF-270 and supporting documentation, withholding the amount of damages sustained by NRCS as provided for in this agreement. In the event there are questions regarding the SF 270 and supporting documentation, NRCS will contact the Sponsor in a timely manner to resolve concerns.

#### C. MUTUALLY AGREED

1. The furnishing of financial, administrative, and/or technical assistance above the original funding amount by NRCS is contingent on there being sufficient unobligated and uncommitted funding in the Emergency Watershed Protection Program that is available for obligation in the year in which the assistance will be provided. NRCS may not make commitments in excess of funds authorized by law or made administratively available. Congress may impose obligational limits on program funding that constrains NRCS's ability to provide such assistance.

In the event of default of a construction contract awarded pursuant to this agreement, any additional funds properly allocable as construction costs required to ensure completion of the job are to be provided in the same ratio as construction funds are contributed by the parties under the terms of this agreement. Any excess costs including interest resulting from a judgment collected from the defaulting contractor, or his or her surety, will be prorated between the Sponsor and NRCS in the same ratio as construction funds are contributed under the terms of the agreement.
 Additional funds, including interest properly allocable as construction costs as determined by NRCS, required as a result of decision of the CO or a court judgment in favor of a claimant will be provided in the same ratio as construction funds are contributed under the terms of this agreement. NRCS will not be obligated to contribute funds under any agreement made by the Sponsor without prior concurrence of NRCS.

4. The State Conservationist may make adjustments in the estimated cost to NRCS set forth in this agreement for constructing the EWP measures. Such adjustments may increase or decrease the amount of estimated funds that are related to differences between such estimated cost and the amount of the awarded contract or to changes, differing site conditions, quantity variations, or other actions taken under the provisions of the contract. No adjustment will be made to change the cost sharing assistance provided by NRCS as set forth in this agreement, nor reduce funds below the amount required to carry out NRCS' share of the contract.

5. Except for item 4. above (last sentence), this document may be revised as mutually agreed through a written amendment duly executed by authorized officials of all signatory parties to this agreement.

6. NRCS, at its sole discretion, may refuse to cost share should the Sponsor, in administering the contract, elect to proceed without obtaining concurrence as set out in this agreement.

7. Once the project is completed and all requests for reimbursement submitted, any excess funding remaining in the agreement will be de-obligated from the agreement.

8. If inconsistencies arise between the language in the Statement of Work (SOW) in the agreement and the general terms and conditions, the language in the SOW takes precedence.

#### **Expected Accomplishments and Deliverables**

1. Prepare design, construction specifications, and drawings in accordance with standard engineering principles that comply with NRCS programmatic requirements; and/or contract/install the designed construction. Any design services will be by a professional engineer registered in Florida, except for debris removal only sites. Sponsor will obtain NRCS review and concurrence on the design, construction plans, and specifications. The Sponsor must ensure description of work is reviewed and concurred by NRCS. A copy of the final signed and sealed plans and specifications shall be provided to NRCS.

2. Contract for services and construction in accordance with the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), 2 CFR § 200.317 through 200.326, applicable State regulations, and the Sponsor's procurement regulations, as appropriate. (See general terms and conditions attached to this agreement for a link to the CFR.) In accordance with 2 CFR § 200.326, contracts must contain the applicable provisions described in Appendix II to Part 200. Davis-Bacon Act would not apply under this Federal program legislation.

3. Provide copies of site maps to appropriate Federal and State agencies for environmental review. Sponsor will notify NRCS of environmental clearance, modification of construction plans, or any unresolved concerns as well as copies of all permits, licenses, and other documents required by Federal, state, and local statutes and ordinances prior to solicitation for installation of the EWP project measures. All modifications to the plans and specifications shall be

reviewed and concurred on by NRCS.

4. Prepare and submit for NRCS concurrence an Operation and Maintenance (O&M) Plan, if applicable, prior to commence of work. The O&M Plan shall describe the activities the Sponsor will do to ensure the project performs as designed. Upon completion of the project measures, the Sponsor shall assume responsibility for O&M. An O&M plan is not required for debris or sediment removal sites.

5. Prior to commencement of work and/or solicitation of bids, submit for NRCS review and concurrence a Quality Assurance Plan (QAP). The QAP shall outline technical and administrative expertise required to ensure the EWP project measures are installed in accordance with the plans and specifications, identify individuals with the expertise, describe items to be inspected, list equipment required for inspection, outline the frequency and timing of inspection (continuous or periodic), outline inspection procedures, and record keeping requirements. A copy of the final QAP shall be provided to NRCS prior to commencement of construction.

6. Provide construction inspection in accordance with the QAP.

7. Arrange for and conduct final inspection of completed project with NRCS to determine whether all work has been performed in accordance with contractual requirements. Provide a certification that the Project was installed in accordance with approved plans and specifications. For sites other than debris removal, the certification must be from a registered professional engineer.

#### **Resources Required**

As stated in this agreement.

#### Milestones

- 1. Hold pre-design conference: within 30 calendar days of agreement execution
- 2. Provide schedule to GR: within 14 calendar days of pre-design conference
- 3. Obtaining permits
- 4. Survey and design
- 5. Completing quality assurance and operation and maintenance plans
- 6. Solicit bids
- Award contract
- 8. Administer construction contract, including providing construction inspection
- 9. Provide completion certification, to include As-Built Drawings
- 10. Complete close-out activities

#### GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Please reference the below link(s) for the General Terms and Conditions pertaining to this award:

#### U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FARM PRODUCTION AND CONSERVATION

#### GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS GRANTS AND COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS

The Farm Production and Conservation (FPAC) mission area encompasses the following USDA agencies: Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), Farm Service Agency (FSA), Risk Management Agency (RMA), the Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC), and the FPAC Business Center.

#### I. APPLICABLE REGULATIONS

a. As a condition of this award, the recipient assures and certifies that it has and/or will comply and require subrecipients to comply with the requirements contained in the following statutes and regulations, as applicable. The full text of Code of Federal Regulations references may be found at https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/browse/collectionCfr.action? collectionCode=CFR and http://www.ecfr.gov/.

(1) 2 CFR Part 25, "Universal Identifier and System of Award Management" (2) 2 CFR Part 170, "Reporting Subaward and Executive Compensation Information" (3) 2 CFR Part 175, "Award Term for Trafficking in Persons" (4) 2 CFR Part 180, "OMB Guidelines to Agencies On Governmentwide Debarment And Suspension (Nonprocurement)" (5) 2 CFR Part 182, "Governmentwide Requirements for Drug-Free Workplace (Financial Assistance)" (6) 2 CFR Part 200, "Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards" (7) 2 CFR Part 400, "Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, And Audit Requirements for Federal Awards" (8) 2 CFR Part 417, "Nonprocurement Debarment and Suspension" (9) 2 CFR Part 418, "New Restrictions on Lobbying" (10) 2 CFR Part 421, "Requirements for Drug-Free Workplace (Financial Assistance)" (11) 2 CFR Part 422, "Research Institutions Conducting USDA-Funded Extramural Research; Research Misconduct"

b. Allowable project costs will be determined in accordance with the authorizing statute, the purpose of the award, and, to the extent applicable, to the type of organizations receiving the award, regardless of tier. The following portions of the Code of Federal Regulations are hereby incorporated by reference. The full text of Code of Federal Regulations references may be found at https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/browse/collectionCfr.action?collectionCode=CFR and http://www.ecfr.gov/.

(1) 2 CFR Part 200, "Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles And Audit Requirements For Federal Awards" (2) 48 CFR Part 31, "Contract Cost Principles and Procedures" c. For corporate recipients, by accepting this award the recipient acknowledges: (1) that it does not have a Federal tax delinquency, meaning that it is not subject to any unpaid Federal tax liability that has been assessed, for which all judicial and administrative remedies have been exhausted or have lapsed, and that is not being paid in a timely manner pursuant to an agreement with the authority responsible for collecting the tax liability, and (2) that it has not been convicted of a felony criminal violation under any Federal law within 24 months preceding the award, unless a suspending and debarring official of the USDA has considered suspension or debarment of the recipient corporation based on these convictions and/or tax delinquencies and determined that suspension or debarment is not necessary to protect the interests of the Government. If the recipient fails to comply with these provisions, the agency will annul this agreement and may recover any funds the recipient has expended in violation of the above cited statutory provisions.

#### II. UNALLOWABLE COSTS

The following costs are not allowed:

a. Costs above the amount authorized for the project. b. Costs incurred after the award period of performance end date. c. Costs not identified in the approved budget or approved budget revisions. d. Profit resulting from Federal financial assistance. Recipients may not earn and keep income resulting from an award. e. Costs of promotional items and memorabilia, including models, gifts, and souvenirs. f. Compensation for injuries to persons or damage to property arising from project activities.

This list is not exhaustive. For general information about the allowability of particular items of costs, please see 2 CFR Part 200, "Subpart E - Cost Principles", or direct specific inquiries to the administrative contact identified in the award.

The allowability of some items of costs may be difficult to determine. To avoid disallowance or dispute of such costs, the recipient may seek prior approval before incurring them. See 2 CFR 200.407. III. PRIOR APPROVAL REQUIREMENTS

Certain items of cost and award revisions require the prior written approval of the awarding agency. The following are the most common situations requiring prior approval. However, this list is not exhaustive, and the recipient is also bound by any other prior approval requirements identified in the Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards.

a. Pre-award costs.—To receive reimbursement for costs incurred prior to the award date, recipients must request written approval before incurring the costs. This restriction also applies to costs intended to meet cost-share requirements. FPAC agencies will not approve expenses incurred more than 90 calendar days before the period of performance start date. All costs incurred before the period of performance start date, even if approved, are at the recipient's risk (i.e., the Federal awarding agency is under no obligation to reimburse such costs if for any reason the recipient does not receive a Federal award or if the Federal award is less than anticipated and inadequate to cover such costs). b. Revisions to scope, objective, or deliverables.—When it is necessary to modify the scope, objective, or deliverables of an award, the recipient authorized signatory must submit a written request and justification for the change along with the revised scope, objective, or deliverables of the award to the administrative contact. The request should contain the following information: 1. Grant or agreement number 2. Narrative explaining the requested modification to the project scope, objectives, or deliverables 3. A description of the revised scope, objectives, or deliverables

c. Additions or changes to subawards and contracts.—The subawarding, transferring, or contracting out of any work under a Federal award not identified in the original award budget or any changes to subaward or contracts requires prior written approval. The recipient must submit a justification for the proposed subaward/contract, a statement of work to be performed, and a detailed budget for the subaward/contract to the administrative contact. This provision does not apply to the acquisition of supplies, material, equipment, or general support services. d. Change in a key person specified in the application or award.— When there is a change in key personnel, the recipient must request prior written approval for the substitution or change. The request must identify the replacement personnel and provide his or her qualifications.

e. Absence or change in project leadership.—If the approved project director or principal investigator disengages from the project for more than three months or reduces time devoted to the project by 25 percent or more, the recipient must notify the administrative contact in writing, identifying who will be in charge during the project director's absence. The notification must include the qualifications of the replacement.

f. Budget revisions.—Recipients must request prior written approval for deviations from the approved budget in the instances described below. For all budget revisions, the recipient must submit a new SF 424A or 424C and budget narrative to support the request. 1. The inclusion of costs that require prior approval in accordance with Subpart E—Cost Principles of this part or 45 CFR part 75 Appendix IX, "Principles for Determining Costs Applicable to Research and Development under Awards and Contracts with Hospitals," or 48 CFR part 31, "Contract Cost Principles and Procedures," as applicable. 2. Where the cumulative amount of transfers of funds among direct cost categories or programs, functions, and activities exceeds or is expected to exceed 10 percent of the total budget as last approved by the Federal awarding agency, and where the Federal share of the project exceeds the simplified acquisition threshold. 3. The transfer of funds budgeted for participant support costs to other categories of expense requires prior written approval. Participant support costs means direct costs for items such as stipends or subsistence allowances, travel allowances, and registration fees paid to or on behalf of participants or trainees (but not employees) in connection with conferences or training projects. 4. Changes in the approved cost-sharing or matching provided by the recipient. 5. Additional Federal funds needed to complete the project. 6. Changes to negotiated indirect cost rates during the award period of performance. 7. Equipment purchases not specifically identified in the approved budget.

g. No-Cost Extensions of Time.—When a no-cost extension of time is required, the recipient authorized signatory must submit a written request to the FAPC administrative contact. Except in very limited circumstances, a no-cost extension of time cannot exceed 12 months. FPAC cannot approve requests for no-cost extensions received after the expiration of the award. In addition, time may not allow extension requests submitted less than 30 calendar days before the period of performance end date to be processed, so recipients are encouraged to submit requests as soon as possible. FPAC agencies cannot approve no-cost extensions requested merely to expend remaining funds. The request must contain the following: 1. Amount of additional time requested 2. Explanation for the need for the extension 3. A summary of progress to date and revised milestones

#### **IV. PAYMENTS**

a. Recipients must request reimbursement or advances using a properly completed and executed SF-270, submitted with supporting documentation to either the ezFedGrants system or to the e-mail address specified in the statement of work. FPAC agencies will make payment to the recipient on a reimbursable or advance basis in accordance with the frequency specified in the statement of work.

b. Recipients requesting advances should request payments in amounts necessary to meet their current needs pursuant

to procedures contained in the Federal administrative provisions and 31 CFR Part 205. At the end of each advance period, the recipient must provide a justification (i.e., documentation) showing the amount of advanced funds spent.

c. The method of payment between the recipient and its contractors will be in accordance with the policies and procedures established by the recipient except that the contractors may not use the USDA Office of Financial Management/National Finance Center method to request payments. If the recipient makes advance payments to contractors, the recipient must ensure that the timing of such payments is designed to minimize elapsed time between the advance payment and the disbursement of funds. Recipients must not submit requests from their contractors for review or approval.

d. Accounting records for all costs incurred under this award must be supported by source documentation. Such documentation includes, but is not limited to, canceled checks, paid bills, payroll records, and subaward documents. Labor cost charges to this award must be based upon salaries actually earned and the time actually worked on this award. All project costs must be incurred within the approved project period of this award, including any approved no-cost extension of time. Costs that cannot be supported by source documentation or that are incurred outside of the approved project period and budget may be disallowed and may result in award funds being returned to the Federal Government by the recipient. The level of detail and documentation required to be provided to support any individual payment request is at the discretion of the Government.

e. Recipients must pay all costs incurred (i.e., liquidate obligations) under the award not later than 90 calendar days after the period of performance end date.

#### V. FINANCIAL REPORTING

a. Recipients must submit a Federal Financial Report (FFR), SF 425 in accordance with the schedule included in the award statement of work. Recipients must submit reports to either the ezFedGrants system or to the email address specified in the statement of work. Failure to submit reports as required may result in suspension or termination of award.

b. The recipient must submit a final financial report no later than 90 days after the period of performance end date. c. The FPAC awarding agency will withhold payments under this award if the recipient is delinquent in submitting required reports.

#### VI. PERFORMANCE MONITORING AND REPORTING

a. The recipient is responsible for monitoring day-to-day performance and for reporting to FPAC. If the project involves subaward/contractual arrangements, the recipient is also responsible for monitoring the performance of project activities under those arrangements to ensure that approved goals and schedules are met.

b. The recipient must submit a written progress report at the frequency specified in the statement of work to either the ezFedGrants system or to the email address specified in the statement of work. Each report must cover— 1. A comparison of actual accomplishments with the goals and objectives established for the reporting period and, where project output can be quantified, a computation of the costs per unit of output.

2. The reasons why goals and objectives were not met, if appropriate.

3. Additional pertinent information including, where appropriate, analysis and explanation of cost overruns or high unit costs.

c. The recipient must submit a final performance report within 90 calendar days of the period of performance end date. d. The FPAC awarding agency will withhold payments under this award if the recipient is delinquent in submitting required reports.

#### VII. AUDIT REQUIREMENTS

The recipient is responsible for complying with audit requirements in accordance with 2 CFR 200, Subpart F. A recipient entity that expends \$750,000 or more during the recipient's fiscal year in Federal awards must have a single or program-

specific audit conducted for that year.

#### **VIII. SPECIAL PROVISIONS**

a. The recipient assures and certifies that it will comply with the minimum-wage and maximum- hour provisions of the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act.

b. Employees of FPAC agencies will participate in efforts under this agreement solely as representatives of the United States. They may not participate as directors, officers, employees, or otherwise serve or hold themselves out as representatives of the recipient. They also may not assist the recipient with efforts to lobby Congress or to raise money through fundraising efforts. Further, FPAC employees must report to their immediate supervisor any negotiations with the recipient concerning future employment and must refrain from participation in projects or agreements with such recipients.

c. Employees of the recipient will not be considered Federal employees or agents of the United States for any purposes under this agreement. d. Except in very limited circumstances (e.g., construction agreements), no agreement period of performance can exceed a total of five years, including extensions. e. Recipients who engage or assist in scientific related activities on behalf of USDA must uphold the principles of scientific integrity established by Departmental Regulations 1074-001, Scientific Integrity. Covered activities include engaging in, supervising, managing, and reporting scientific work; analyzing and publicly communicating information resulting from scientific work; and utilizing information derived from scientific work in policy and decision making. f. Recipients of awards under covered programs (as defined in Executive Order 13858, January 31, 2019) are hereby notified that they are encouraged to use, to the greatest extent practicable, iron and aluminum as well as steel, cement, and other manufactured products produced in the United States in every contract, subcontract, purchase order, or subaward that is chargeable under the award. "Covered program" means a program that provides financial assistance for the alteration, construction, conversion, demolition, extension, improvement, maintenance, construction, rehabilitation, or repair of an infrastructure project in the United States. However, it does not include programs for which a domestic preference is inconsistent with law or programs providing financial assistance that are subject to comparable domestic preferences. g. The recipient and its employees are prohibited from promoting, recommending, or discussing the availability of specific commercial products or services with FPAC agency clients in the course of carrying out activities under this agreement, including any products or services offered by the recipient, except as may be specifically allowed in the agreement.

#### IX. PATENTS, INVENTIONS, COPYRIGHTS, AND ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF SUPPORT AND DISCLAIMER

a. Allocation of rights of patents, inventions, and copyrights must be in accordance with 2 CFR Part 200.315. This regulation provides that small businesses normally may retain the principal worldwide patent rights to any invention developed with USDA support.

b. In accordance with 37 CFR Section 401.14, each subject invention must be disclosed to the Federal agency within 2 months after the inventor discloses it in writing to contractor personnel responsible for patent matters. Invention disclosure statements pursuant to 37 CFR Section 401.14(c) must be made in writing to:

Farm Production and Conservation Business Center Grants and Acquisitions Division 1400 Independence Avenue, SW. Room 6819 South Building Washington, DC 20250

c. USDA receives a royalty-free license for Federal Government use, reserves the right to require the patentee to license others in certain circumstances, and requires that anyone exclusively licensed to sell the invention in the United States must manufacture it domestically.

d. The following acknowledgment of USDA support must appear in the publication of any material, whether copyrighted or not, and any products in electronic formats (World Wide Web pages, computer programs, etc.) that is substantially based upon or developed under this award:

"This material is based upon work supported by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, under agreement number [recipient should enter the applicable award number here]."

In addition, all publications and other materials, except scientific articles or papers published in scientific journals, must include the following statement:

"Any opinions, findings, conclusions, or recommendations expressed in this publication are those of the author(s) and do not necessarily reflect the views of the U.S. Department of Agriculture. In addition, any reference to specific brands or types of products or services does not constitute or imply an endorsement by the U.S. Department of Agriculture for those products or services."

e. All publications printed with Federal Government funds will include the most current USDA nondiscrimination statement, available from the Public Affairs Division, Civil Rights Division, or on the USDA home page. If the material is too small to permit the full nondiscrimination statement to be included, the material must, at a minimum, include the statement:

"USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer."

The recipient is responsible for ensuring that an acknowledgment of USDA is made during news media interviews, including popular media such as radio, television, and news magazines, that discuss work funded by this award in a substantial way.

#### X. COST-SHARING REQUIREMENTS

a. If the award has specific cost-sharing requirements, the cost-sharing participation in other projects may not be counted toward meeting the specific cost-share requirement of this award and must come from non-Federal sources unless otherwise stated in the applicable program authorizing statute. b. Cost share must be documented on each SF 425 and SF 270 and in source documentation as it is provided by the recipient or third party. The required cost-share or matching ratio must be met by the end of the agreement period of performance; however, it does not have to be maintained for every payment request.

c. Should the recipient become aware that it may be unable to provide the cost-sharing amount identified in this award, it must— 1. Immediately notify the FPAC administrative contact of the situation. 2. Specify the steps it plans to take to secure replacement cost sharing. 3. Indicate the plans to either continue or phase out the project in the absence of cost sharing. If the recipient's plans are not acceptable to FPAC, the award may be subject to termination. FPAC modifications to proposed cost sharing revisions are made on a case-by-case basis. Failure by the recipient to notify FPAC in accordance with this section may result in the disallowance of some or all the costs charged to the award, the subsequent recovery by FPAC of some of the FPAC funds provided under the award, and possible termination of the award. It may constitute a violation of the terms and conditions of the award so serious as to provide grounds for subsequent suspension or debarment.

d. The recipient must maintain records of all project costs that are claimed by the recipient as cost sharing as well as records of costs to be paid by FPAC. If the recipient's cost participation includes in-kind contributions, the basis for determining the valuation for volunteer services and donated property must be documented.

e. Recipients must provide notification to the agency administrative contact when adding or replacing sources of costshare contributions.

#### XI. PROGRAM INCOME

Program income is the gross revenue generated by a Federally funded activity earned during the performance period of the award. Program income may be earned by recipients from fees charged for conference or workshop attendance, from rental fees earned from real property or equipment acquired with Federal funds, or from the sale of commodities or items developed under the grant or cooperative agreement. It must fall within the guidelines at 2 CFR 200.307. Unless identified and addressed in the award, the recipient must provide notification to the administrative contact and request the manner it would like to treat the income (i.e., deductive or additive). Program income may be used to meet recipient cost-share requirements with the approval of the Government. All program income must be reported on the applicable SF 270 and SF 425.

#### XII. NONEXPENDABLE EQUIPMENT

Recipients purchasing equipment or products with funds provided under this award are encouraged to purchase only American-made equipment and products. Title to nonexpendable equipment purchased with award funds will vest in the recipient upon completion of the award project and acceptance by FPAC of required final reports. When equipment is no longer needed by the recipient and the per-unit fair market value is less than \$5,000, the recipient may retain, sell, or dispose of the equipment with no further obligation to FPAC. However, if the per-unit fair market value is \$5,000 or more, the recipient must submit a written request to the FPAC administrative contact for disposition instructions.

#### XIII. LIMIT OF FEDERAL LIABILITY

The maximum financial obligation of FPAC to the recipient is the amount of funds indicated in the award as obligated by FPAC. However, if an erroneous amount is stated on the approved budget, or any supporting document relating to the award, FPAC will have the unilateral right to make the correction and to make an appropriate adjustment in the FPAC share of the award to align with the Federal amount authorized.

#### XIV. MODIFICATIONS AND TERMINATIONS

The parties may amend this award through an exchange of correspondence between the authorized signatory of each or via formal amendment document. The award is subject to termination if FPAC determines that the recipient has failed to comply with the terms and conditions of the award. If the award is terminated, the guidelines at 2 CFR 200.339-42 will govern the obligations of the parties.

#### XV. PRIVACY ACT AND PROHIBITION AGAINST CERTAIN INTERNAL CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENTS

a. Activities performed under this award may involve access to confidential and potentially sensitive information about governmental and landowner issues. The term "confidential information" means proprietary information or data of a personal nature about an individual, or information or data submitted by or pertaining to an organization. This information must not be disclosed without the prior written consent of FPAC.

b. The recipient's personnel will follow the rules and procedures of disclosure set forth in the Privacy Act of 1974, 5 U.S. C. Section 552a, and implementing regulations and policies with respect to systems of records determined to be subject to the Privacy Act. The recipient's personnel must also comply with privacy of personal information relating to natural resources conservation programs in accordance with section 1244 of Title II of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 (Public Law 107-171).

c. The recipient agrees to comply with the "Prohibition Against Certain Internal Confidentiality Agreements:"

1. You may not require your employees, contractors, or subrecipients seeking to report fraud, waste, or abuse to sign or comply with internal confidentiality agreements or statements prohibiting or otherwise restricting them from lawfully reporting that waste, fraud, or abuse to a designated investigative or law enforcement representative of a Federal department or agency authorized to receive such information. 2. You must notify your employees, contractors, or subrecipients that the prohibitions and restrictions of any internal confidentiality agreements inconsistent with paragraph (1) of this award provision are no longer in effect. 3. The prohibition in paragraph (1) of this award provision does not contravene requirements applicable to any other form issued by a Federal department or agency governing the nondisclosure of classified information. 4. If FPAC determines that you are not in compliance with this award provision, FPAC: i. Will prohibit your use of funds under this award, in accordance with sections 743 and 744 of Division E of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2016, (Pub. L. 114-113) or any successor provision of law; ii. May pursue other remedies available for your material failure to comply with award terms and conditions. XVI. ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF SECTION 1619 COMPLIANCE

The recipient agrees to comply with FPAC guidelines and requirements regarding the disclosure of information protected under Section 1619 of the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 (PL 110-246), 7 U.S.C. 8791 as described below.

a. Responsibilities. 1. Acceptance of this award indicates acknowledgment and understanding that the recipient is legally bound by Federal statute to comply with the provisions of Section 1619 and that the recipient will not subsequently disclose information protected by section 1619 to any individual or organization that is not directly covered by this award. Any such subsequent disclosure of the protected information (except as permitted under Section 1619) will be considered a violation of Section 1619. The recipient will be held responsible should disclosure of the protected information occur.

2. Acceptance of this award legally binds every owner, manager, supervisor, employee, contractor, agent, and representative of the recipient to comply with the provisions in Section 1619. The recipient must consult with FPAC prior to providing protected information to an entity or individual outside of the recipient and as necessary to implement the program to ensure that such release is permissible.

3. The recipient will use the protected information only to perform work that is directly connected to this award. Use of the protected information to perform work that is not directly connected to this award is expressly prohibited.

4. The recipient must internally restrict access to the protected information to only those individuals who have a demonstrated need to know the protected information to perform work under this award.

5. The provisions in Section 1619 are continuing obligations. Even when the recipient is no longer a recipient, or when individuals currently affiliated with the recipient become no longer so affiliated, every person having been provided access to the protected information will continue to be legally bound to comply with these provisions.

6. The recipient must notify all managers, supervisors, employees, contractors, agents, and representatives about this provision and the requirements of Section 1619. Notifications about the existence of this provision must be made to those individuals who are new to the organization and periodic notifications must be sent throughout the organization (as well as to all contractors and agents) to remind all about the ongoing and continuing requirements.

7. When the recipient is unsure whether particular information is covered or protected by Section 1619, the recipient must consult with FPAC to determine whether the information must be withheld.

8. Use of the protected information for any purpose is expressly prohibited after the period of performance end date of this award. Upon the award end date, any protected information provided under this award must be immediately destroyed or returned to FPAC. The recipient must provide to FPAC written certification that the protected information (paper copy, electronic copy, or both) has been properly destroyed, removed from any electronic storage media, or both.

9. Any State's "sunshine law," "open records act" or other version of the Freedom of Information Act is superseded by section 1619 under the Supremacy Clause of the U.S. Constitution. Accordingly, information protected from disclosure by section 1619 must not be released under such State laws.

b. Protected Information.

1. Examples of the types of information prohibited by disclosure under Section 1619 include, but are not limited to, the following:

i. State identification and county number (where reported and where located). ii. Producer or landowner name, business full address, phone number, Social Security Number, and similar personal identifying information. iii. Farm, tract, field, and contract numbers. iv. Production shares and share of acres for each Farm Serial Number (FSN) field. v. Acreage information, including crop codes. vi. All attributes for Common Land Units (CLUs) in USDA's Geospatial Information System vii. Any photographic, map, or geospatial data that, when combined with other maps, can be used to identify a landowner. viii. Location of conservation practices.

2. Section 1619 allows disclosure of "payment information (including payment information and the names and addresses of recipients of payments) under any Department program that is otherwise authorized by law" (emphasis added). The names and payment information of producers generally may be provided to the public; however, the recipient shall consult with FPAC if there is any uncertainty as to the provision of such information.

3. Section 1619 also allows disclosure of otherwise protected information if "the information has been transformed into a statistical or aggregate form without naming any—(i) individual owner, operator, or producer; or (ii) specific data gathering cite." The recipient must consult with FPAC as to whether specific information falls within this exception prior to relying on this exception.

c. Violations. The recipient will be held responsible for violations of this provision and Section 1619. A violation of this provision by the recipient may result in action by FPAC, including termination of the underlying Federal award.

d. Effective Period. The requirements of this provision is effective on the date of the final signature and will continue until FPAC notifies the recipient that it is no longer required based on changes in applicable Federal law.

#### XVII. AWARD CLOSEOUT

a. Award closeout is the process by which FPAC determines that all required project activities have been performed satisfactorily and all necessary administrative actions have been completed. b. The recipient must submit, no later than 90 calendar days after the end date of the period of performance, all financial, performance, and other reports as required by the terms and conditions of the agreement, including documentation showing that match or cost-share requirements have been met. The awarding agency may approve extensions when requested by the recipient. c. Unless the awarding agency authorizes an extension, the recipient must liquidate all obligations incurred under the agreement not later than 90 calendar days after the end date of the period of performance. d. Recipients must submit all requests for reimbursements no later than 90 calendar days after the end date of the period of performance. e. The recipient must promptly refund any balances of unobligated cash that the awarding agency paid in advance or paid and that are not authorized to be retained by the recipient for use in other projects. See OMB Circular A-129 and see §200.345 Collection of amounts due, for requirements regarding unreturned amounts that become delinquent debts. f. Recipients must retain all records pertaining to the agreement in accordance with 2 CFR 200.333-337 and any additional requirements included in the agreement statement of work. g. Recipients must follow disposition requirements for property acquired with award funds in accordance with 2 CFR 200.310-316.