

INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE OF CONSTRUCTION SPECIFICATION 26

TOPSOILING

1. APPLICABILITY

Construction Specification 26 is applicable to the furnishing and spreading of topsoil to selected areas of the construction site for the purpose of establishing vegetative cover to minimize soil erosion and provide aesthetic improvement.

2. MATERIAL SPECIFICATIONS

No material specifications are complementary to Construction Specification 26.

3. ITEMS TO BE INCLUDED IN CONTRACT SPECIFICATIONS AND DRAWINGS

- a. Limits of source areas for obtaining topsoil.
- b. Limits of areas on which topsoil is to be spread.
- c. Depth of topsoil layer following the spreading operation.
- d. Limits and locations for stockpile areas, if critical.
- e. Limitation of rock sizes to be included in the topsoil to be spread.
- f. Restriction of woody vegetation that may be included in the topsoil to be spread.
- g. Note in the Measurement and Payment section if the measurements will be slope measured or horizontal measurements for use in computing the area covered.
- h. Extent of compaction required for the topsoil.

4. DISCUSSION OF METHODS

The methods in Section 5, Spreading, and Section 6, Measurement and Payment, are self-explanatory.

When progress payments are anticipated, outline in Section 7 the procedures that will be implemented to determine progress amounts.

When specifications are prepared using electronic procedures and all but one method are deleted for use in a contract specification, delete from the next to last paragraph "All Methods The following provisions apply to all methods of measurement and payment." and left justify the remaining text. Also, delete from the last paragraph "All Payment Methods" and left justify the remaining text.