

ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

General Application Special Provision

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SUBJECT: Topsoil.

Alabama Standard Specifications, 2022 Edition, SECTION 650 shall be amended as follows:

SECTION 650 TOPSOIL

650.03 Construction Requirements.

(b) Application of Topsoil.

Subarticle 650.03(b) shall be replaced by the following:

(b) Application of Topsoil.

Topsoil shall be applied to the depth shown on the plans or as directed by the Engineer. Applied topsoil shall be compacted by tracking. Tracking shall be accomplished by the operation of a tracked vehicle leaving ridges perpendicular to the direction flow of water down the slope. The topsoil shall then be prepared in accordance with the requirements given in 652.03. Ground preparation and vegetation establishment operations shall be **initiated by the end of the next business day** after the application of topsoil to reduce the potential for the erosion of the topsoil.