

SPECIFICATIONS
ROADSIDE MOWING AND LITTER
SOUTHEAST REGION – TROY AREA
DISTRICTS 71, 72, 73, 75, AND 76

1.0 CONTRACTORS REQUIREMENTS – GENERAL

- 1.1 PURSUANT TO SECTION 34-8-1 OF THE CODE OF ALABAMA, EACH BIDDER MUST SUBMIT WITH THEIR BID PROOF OF LICENSING THROUGH THE ALABAMA STATE BOARD OF LICENSING FOR GENERAL CONTRACTORS, WITH APPROVED MAXIMUM BID LIMITS SUFFICIENT TO COVER THE BID RELATED TO THIS SPECIFICATION. CONTRACTOR MUST BE LICENSED IN AN AREA OF WORK APPROPRIATE TO THE WORK SCOPE APPLICABLE TO THIS BID PROCESS. FAILURE TO COMPLY WILL BE CAUSE FOR REJECTION OF THE BID. A COPY OF THE CONTRACTOR'S CURRENT YEAR LICENSE WILL EXPEDITE THE EVALUATION PROCESS.
- 1.2 EACH BIDDER MUST SUBMIT WITH THEIR BID PROOF OF LIABILITY INSURANCE IN THE MINIMUM AMOUNT OF \$1,000,000 PER OCCURRENCE, \$2,000,000 AGGREGATE. EACH BIDDER SHALL FURTHER PROVIDE PROOF OF WORKER'S COMPENSATION INSURANCE SUFFICIENT TO SATISFY ALL LEGAL REQUIREMENTS OF THE STATE OF ALABAMA. FAILURE TO PROVIDE THIS DOCUMENTATION WITH THE BID PACKAGE WILL BE CAUSE FOR REJECTION OF THE BID.
- 1.3 IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 41-16-59 OF THE CODE OF ALABAMA, THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER ON THIS SOLICITATION IS RESTRAINED FROM ASSIGNING OR SUBCONTRACTING ANY PORTION OF THE WORK UNDER THIS CONTRACT WITHOUT THE EXPRESS WRITTEN CONSENT OF THE AWARDING AGENCY AND THE PURCHASING DIRECTOR.
- 1.4 AWARD WILL BE "BY DISTRICT" BASIS, TO THE CONTRACTOR, WHO DURING THE COURSE OF BID EVALUATION, IS FOUND TO BE THE LOWEST RESPONSIBLE BIDDER. EACH VENDOR WILL INDICATE A "PER ITEM" UNIT PRICE IN THE APPROPRIATE BLANK IN THE TEXT OF THE REQUISITION. AWARD WILL BE MADE BY ADDING TOGETHER ALL UNIT ITEM COSTS FOR A TOTAL BID. FOR EVALUATION PURPOSES, CALCULATIONS WILL BE BASED ON TOTAL ESTIMATED USAGE PER THE PROVIDED BOX SHEETS.
- 1.5 EACH BIDDER MUST BE ABLE TO DOCUMENT ON DEMAND A MINIMUM OF THREE (3) YEARS EXPERIENCE IN SUCCESSFUL MANAGEMENT OF ROADWAY MOWING SERVICE OPERATIONS OF A SIMILAR SIZE, NATURE AND SCOPE, INCLUDING VALID REFERENCES AND CURRENT CONTACT INFORMATION.
- 1.6 VENDORS ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT THIS CONTRACT MAY BE SUBJECT TO THE ALABAMA GROSS RECEIPTS TAX.

- 1.7 BY SIGNING THIS BID SUBMITTAL, EACH CONTRACTOR IS AFFIRMING THAT THEY ARE PREPARED TO COMMENCE WORK WITHIN SEVEN (7) DAYS OF FIRST NOTICE TO PROCEED.

2.0 GENERAL TERMS & CONDITIONS

- 2.1 ALL WORKMANSHIP SHALL BE OF A PROFESSIONAL QUALITY AND STANDARD AS GENERALLY ACCEPTED IN THE TRADE. ALL WORKMANSHIP IS SUBJECT TO INSPECTION AND APPROVAL BY THE AREA MAINTENANCE ENGINEER, THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR, OR THEIR DESIGNEE, AND MUST MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS (CURRENT EDITION) AS WELL AS ANY STANDARD DRAWINGS, SPECIAL DRAWINGS AND SPECIAL PROVISIONS.
- 2.2 ATTENTION IS DRAWN TO THE FACT THAT THIS WORK WILL BE PERFORMED UNDER TRAFFIC CONDITIONS REQUIRING SPECIAL CARE TO EXPEDITE THE WORK AND PREVENT UNDUE HAZARDOUS CONDITIONS. TRAFFIC CONTROL WILL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE CONTRACTOR IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE MANUAL ON UNIFORM TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES (MUTCD) AND CHAPTER VI OF THE MOST CURRENT EDITION OF THE STANDARDS AND GUIDES FOR TRAFFIC CONTROLS FOR STREET AND HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION, MAINTENANCE, UTILITY AND INCIDENTAL MANAGEMENT OPERATIONS. ATTENTION IS DRAWN TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF SUBARTICLE 107.7 OF THE CURRENT SPECIFICATION.

THE CONTRACTOR SHALL USE CARE TO ENSURE THAT THE TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES ARE KEPT IN LIKE NEW APPEARANCE FOR THE DURATION OF THE PROJECT. PAYMENT FOR THESE ITEMS WILL BE A SUBSIDIARY OBLIGATION OF MOWING. THIS WORK ALSO INCLUDES MAINTAINING AND CONTROLLING TRAFFIC AND ALL OTHER WORK SPECIFIED AS PART OF THIS CONTRACT. THE TRAFFIC CONTROL SCHEME SHALL BE SUBMITTED TO THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR PRIOR TO STARTING WORK FOR HIS REVIEW.
- 2.3 PRICES TO INCLUDE ALL EQUIPMENT, MATERIALS, TOOLS, LABOR, TRANSPORTATION, TRAFFIC CONTROL, AND OTHER NECESSARY INCIDENTALS FOR THE COMPLETION OF THIS WORK IN AN APPROVED AND SATISFACTORY MANNER. ALL FUEL COST ASSOCIATED WITH THIS WORK SHALL BE A SUBSIDIARY OF MOWING.
- 2.4 NO WORK WILL BE DONE WITHOUT PRIOR APPROVAL AND NOTIFICATION BY THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR AT LOCATIONS DESIGNATED.
- 2.5 PAYMENT SHALL BE MADE IN ARREARS BY THE UNIT PRICE FOR EACH LINE ITEM ACTUALLY COMPLETED PER CYCLE. AN INVOICE WITH A COPY OF THE DAILY REPORTS IS TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR AT THE END OF EACH MONTH. IN ADDITION TO THE ABOVE, THE CONTRACTOR SHALL NOTIFY THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE DAILY, BY PHONE, TEXTS, OR EMAIL, OF THE AREAS MOWED SO THAT INSPECTIONS CAN BE MADE DAILY.
- 2.6 THE PURCHASE ORDER AWARD WILL BE VALID FOR THE MOWING AND LITTER REMOVAL SEASON AS DIRECTED BY THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR, WITH THE OPTION TO RENEW FOR A SECOND, THIRD, FOURTH, AND FIFTH YEAR WITH MUTUAL AGREEMENT OF THE DEPARTMENT AND THE CONTRACTOR UNDER ORIGINAL TERMS, CONDITIONS, SPECIFICATIONS AND PRICING. AT TIME OF RENEWAL THE CONTRACTOR MAY REQUEST PRICING ADJUSTMENTS BASED ON FUEL COST ESCALATION
- 2.7 THE QUANTITIES INCLUDED ON THE PROVIDED ROUTE SHEET ARE ESTIMATES ONLY AND IN NO WAY OBLIGATE THE STATE TO PURCHASE ANY MINIMUM OR MAXIMUM QUANTITY OF WORK PERFORMANCE. THE ESTIMATED ACREAGE IS BASED ON

MAINTENANCE INVENTORIES AND IS FURNISHED FOR INFORMATION PURPOSES ONLY. ACTUAL MAINTENANCE REQUIREMENTS MAY BE LESS THAN OR GREATER THAN THE ESTIMATED QUANTITY AS SHOWN FOR EACH ITEM. ALL QUANTITIES AND DIMENSIONS ARE ESTIMATED AND SHOULD BE FIELD VERIFIED BY THE CONTRACTOR.

- 2.8 NO MOWING OR LITTER REMOVAL OPERATIONS SHALL BE CONDUCTED WHEN THERE ARE CLIMATIC OR TRAFFIC CONDITIONS PRESENT OR FORECAST THAT WOULD MAKE SUCH AN OPERATION INEFFECTUAL OR DANGEROUS. THESE CLIMATIC CONDITIONS MIGHT INCLUDE, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO, RAIN, FOG, SNOW, ICE, SLEET OR HIGH WINDS. TRAFFIC CONDITIONS MIGHT INCLUDE BALL GAMES, HOLIDAYS, CONCERTS, ETC.
- 2.9 PAYMENT SHALL BE MADE IN ARREARS BY THE UNIT PRICE FOR EACH LINE ITEM ACTUALLY COMPLETED PER CYCLE. AN INVOICE WITH A COPY OF THE DAILY REPORTS AND PROOF OF COMPLIANT DISPOSAL IS TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR AT THE END OF EACH CYCLE. IN ADDITION TO THE ABOVE, THE CONTRACTOR SHALL NOTIFY THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE DAILY, BY PHONE, FAX, OR EMAIL OF THE AREAS MOWED AND CLEANED SO THAT INSPECTIONS CAN BE MADE DAILY.

3.0 PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS

- 3.1 ALL EQUIPMENT AND VEHICLES UTILIZED SHALL BE OF SUFFICIENT TYPE, CAPACITY, AND QUANTITY TO SAFELY AND EFFECTIVELY PERFORM THE MOWING WORK AND LITTER REMOVAL IN A SAFE AND PRODUCTIVE MANNER. ALL VEHICLES MUST HAVE HIGH PROFILE STROBE LIGHTS AND/OR LIGHT BARS AND APPROPRIATE SIGNS. ALL FACTORY SAFETY DEVICES MUST BE IN PLACE AND OPERATIONAL. THE DEPARTMENT MUST APPROVE THE CONTRACTOR'S EQUIPMENT PRIOR TO STARTING WORK.

EQUIPMENT MUST BE SUITABLE AND SAFE FOR MOWING WITHIN THE RIGHT-OF -WAY LIMITS OF THE HIGHWAY. ALL ROTARY MOWERS SHALL BE EQUIPPED WITH SAFETY CHAINS TO REDUCE THE POSSIBILITY OF DAMAGE TO PROPERTY BY FLYING DEBRIS FROM MOWER. CHAINS SHALL BE A MINIMUM OF 3/8 INCH DIAMETER METAL LINKS AND SHALL BE INSTALLED SIDE BY SIDE AROUND THE PERIMETER OF THE MOWER DECK FRAME. THE MINIMUM LENGTH OF THE SAFETY CHAIN SHALL BE LONG ENOUGH TO DRAG THE GROUND AT ALL TIMES WHEN THE MOWER IS IN OPERATION.

THE MAXIMUM CUTTING WIDTHS FOR RIDGID FRAME MOWING ROTARY MOWERS SHALL BE TEN (10) FEET. HINGED OR BATWING MOWER CUTTING WIDTHS SHALL BE APPROVED BY THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR. MOWERS SHALL BE KEPT IN GOOD OPERATING CONDITION AND PROVIDE A CLEAN, SHARP CUT OF VEGETATION. EQUIPMENT SHALL CONFORM TO ALL APPLICABLE FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL LAWS AND REGULATIONS THAT APPLY TO THE OPERATION OF THE EQUIPMENT.

THE DEBRIS TRAILERS SHALL BE SUPPLEMENTED WITH RETROFLECTIVE HIGH INTENSISTY TAPE AND CARRY APPROPRIATE SIGNAGE.

ANY CONTRACTOR PERSONNEL WORKING OUTSIDE THEIR VEHICLE IN A WORK ZONE SHALL WEAR APPROPRIATE REFLECTIVE ATTIRE, I.E. VEST MEETING CURRENT ANSI CLASS III STANDARDS WHILE PERFORMING WORK. DELIBERATE VIOLATIONS OF ESTABLISHED SAFETY PROTOCOL, WHEN OBSERVED AND DOCUMENTED BY ALDOT PERSONNEL CAN BE GROUNDS FOR IMMEDIATE RECOMMENDATION FOR CANCELLATION OF THIS CONTRACT.

- 3.2 THE CONTRACTOR SHALL FURNISH THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR A DAILY WORK REPORT. THE REPORT IS TO INCLUDE THE DATE, THE EQUIPMENT USED, PERSONNEL USED, LOCATION OF AREA MOWED, LOCATION OF LITTER REMOVAL, WORK HOURS, ROADWAY MILE AT EACH LOCATION, AND OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION SUCH AS INCIDENTS INVOLVING TRAVELING PUBLIC, DAMAGE AND/OR REPAIR TO PUBLIC OR PRIVATE PROPERTY, WEATHER, ETC. ONE "ROADWAY MILE" INCLUDES BOTH RIGHTS-OF-WAY OF ANY ROUTE, AS WELL AS ANY MEDIAN ON DIVIDED HIGHWAY. THE DAILY REPORTS SHOULD BE FORWARDED IN SUCH A MANNER THAT IT IS RECEIVED AT THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATORS OFFICE WITHIN 24 HOURS OF THE TIME THAT THE WORK WAS PERFORMED. AN INVOICE WITH A COPY OF THE DAILY REPORT IS TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE DEPARTMENT AT THE END OF EACH MONTH
- 3.3 FREQUENCIES FOR EACH CYCLE / ROUTE ARE INDICATED ON THE PROVIDED ROUTE SHEET. HOURS OF OPERATIONS WILL BE FROM 6:00 AM TO 6:00 PM ONLY, MONDAY THROUGH SATURDAY UNLESS RESTRICTED BY ORDER OF THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR OR HIS DESIGNEE FOR PARTICULAR LOCATIONS OR CIRCUMSTANCES. OPERATIONS PERFORMED DURING NIGHTTIME HOURS MUST HAVE APPROVAL FROM DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR. EACH CYCLE MUST BE COMPLETED BEFORE A NEW CYCLE IS STARTED. SEE THE ATTACHED SHEETS FOR LOCATIONS, CYCLE FREQUENCIES AND APPROXIMATE ACREAGE FOR EACH LOCATION.
- 3.4 THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR WILL DETERMINE THE BEGINNING OF EACH MONTHLY CYCLE. THE SECOND (2ND) AND THIRD (3RD) MOWING CYCLES MAY BE SWAPPED AT THE DISCRETION OF THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR, WHO WILL NOTIFY THE CONTRACTOR FOURTEEN (14) DAYS PRIOR TO THE BEGINNING OF EACH CYCLE. THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR WILL NOTIFY THE CONTRACTOR FORTY-EIGHT (48) HOURS PRIOR TO THE BEGINNING OF EACH LITTER REMOVAL CYCLE. NO WORK SHALL BE PERFORMED WITHOUT PRIOR APPROVAL FROM THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR.
- 3.5 CONTRACTORS SHALL PLAN FOR A SINGLE MOWING CYCLE AS A STANDARD BASED ON THE PERFORMANCE OF ALDOT'S HERBICIDE PROGRAM. THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR HAS THE AUTHORITY TO ALTER CYCLES AND TO ADD OR TO DELETE ROUTES, OR TO INCREASE OR DECREASE THE DISTANCE ON ROUTES AS HE DEEMS NECESSARY BASED ON DEPARTMENT BUDGET CONSTRAINTS. THE CONTRACTOR'S BID CANNOT BE ADJUSTED TO COMPENSATE FOR THESE ALTERATIONS. IN ADDITION, THE DISTRICT INTENDS TO KEEP THE MOWING EXPENSES AS ECONOMICAL AS POSSIBLE BY USE OF HERBICIDE MOWING AS AN ATTEMPT TO CONTROL VEGETATION GROWTH AND ELIMINATE MOWING CYCLES.
- 3.6 EVIDENCE OF A CONTRACTOR'S INABILITY TO COMPLETE EACH CYCLE IN A TIMELY MANNER, IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL TERMS, CONDITIONS AND SPECIFICATIONS, WILL BE CAUSE FOR CANCELLATION OF THE CONTRACT.
- 3.7 UPON REQUEST, CONTRACTOR MUST BE PREPARED TO PROVIDE LEGAL IDENTIFICATION (STATE ISSUED DRIVER'S LICENSE OR NON-DRIVER'S LICENSE IDENTIFICATION CARD) AND A USCIS FORM 1-9 FOR ANY CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEE WORKING ON AN ALDOT CONTRACT.

4.0 WORK SCOPE

- 4.1 THE CONTRACTOR SHALL PROVIDE SUPERVISION ON THE PROJECT AT ALL TIMES. SUPERINTENDENT SHALL HAVE THE AUTHORITY TO COORDINATE MOWING OPERATIONS, ANSWER INQUIRIES, INVESTIGATE COMPLAINTS, ENSURE SAFE PROCEDURES, MONITOR TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES, ETC. PAYMENT FOR THIS WILL BE A SUBSIDIARY OBLIGATION OF MOWING.

- 4.2 THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR WILL NOTIFY THE CONTRACTOR OF ADDITIONS, REDUCTIONS OR CANCELLATIONS IN MOWING ACREAGE WITHIN 14 DAYS OF BEGINNING OF MOWING CYCLE. THE CONTRACTOR MUST REQUEST PERMISSION AND RECEIVE IN WRITING A "NOTICE TO PROCEED" FROM THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR PRIOR TO STARTING WORK OF ANY ONE CYCLE.
- 4.3 THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR WILL INFORM THE CONTRACTOR OF AREAS THAT ARE NOT TO BE MOWED. THE CONTRACTOR WILL USE CAUTION TO AVOID DAMAGE TO THESE AREAS.
- 4.4 NO GATHERING OF HAY SHALL BE PERMITTED.
- 4.5 PROJECTED START DATES FOR EACH CYCLE ARE INCLUDED ON BOX SHEET. THESE DATES MAY BE ALTERED, OR AN ENTIRE CYCLE MAY BE DELETED, BY THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR, DEPENDING ON BUDGET CONSTRAINTS, WEATHER AND GROWING CYCLES. THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR WILL NOTIFY THE CONTRACTOR IN WRITING OF ANY DEVIATION OF THESE DATES.
- 4.6 THE CONTRACTOR WILL BE REQUIRED TO USE HAND TOOLS OR STRING TRIMMERS AS NECESSARY AROUND SIGN POST, GUARDRAILS, DELINEATORS, UTILITY POLES, HEADWALLS, ETC. PAYMENT FOR THESE ITEMS WILL BE A SUBSIDIARY OBLIGATION OF MOWING.
- 4.7 THE CONTRACTOR SHALL PERFORM "EDGE" TRIMMING BEHIND ALL CONCRETE ISLANDS, AND LIKE STRUCTURES IN EACH MOWING CYCLE. CONTRACTOR SHALL USE SUCH EQUIPMENT THAT WILL ACCOMPLISH REQUIRED TRIMMING IN A NEAT, LINEAR FASHION. NO RESIDUAL CUT VEGETATION SHALL REMAIN HANGING OVER CURBING, CONCRETE ISLANDS, OR LIKE STRUCTURES. THIS WORK SHALL BE A SUBSIDIARY OBLIGATION OF MOWING.
- 4.8 THE CONTRACTOR SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY DAMAGE TO ANY PUBLIC OR PRIVATE PROPERTY WHICH MAY ACCUR AS A RESULT OF MOWING OPERATIONS. SIGNS OR DELINEATORS DAMAGED BY CONTRACTOR SHALL BE STRAIGHTENED OR RELOCATED IMMEDIATELY AT NO COST TO THE DEPARTMENT PRIOR TO ADVANCING TO THE NEXT SEGMENT. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL IMMEDIATELY NOTIFY THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR OF ANY DAMAGE TO PUBLIC OR PRIVATE PROPERTY AND ANY REPAIRS PERFORMED. THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR WILL DETERMINE IF REPAIRS ARE SUFFICIENT AND HAS THE RIGHT TO WITHHOLD PAYMENT UNTIL SUFFICIENT REPAIRS ARE MADE.
- 4.9 THE CONTRACTOR SHALL PROVIDE ADEQUATE EQUIPMENT AND PERSONNEL TO PERFORM ALL OPERATIONS INCLUDED IN THIS PROJECT. THESE OPERATIONS SHALL INCLUDE NORMAL MOWING OPERATIONS, TRIMMING AND HANDWORK, AS WELL AS WORK IN WET AREAS OR OTHER HARD TO MAINTAIN AREAS.
- 4.10 MOWING OPERATIONS SHALL BE PERFORMED IN "BLOCK" TYPE SEGMENTS NOT TO EXCEED FIVE MILES IN LENGTH. EACH SECTION SHALL BE COMPLETELY MOWED PRIOR TO ADVANCING. MOWING SHALL PROGRESS IN A CONTINUOUS DIRECTION. THE CONTRACTOR WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO SKIP FROM ONE LOCATION TO ANOTHER LEAVING SEGMENTS UNMOWED EXCEPT IN THE CASE OF A STEEP SLOPE BEING TOO WET TO MOW WHICH COULD CAUSE DAMAGE TO THE TURF BY SLIPPING AND SPINNING TRACTOR WHEELS. IN THIS CASE THE CONTRACTOR WILL RETURN TO THIS AREA AFTER A SUFFICIENT DRYING PERIOD.
- 4.11 MOWING HEIGHT SHALL BE 6 INCHES. THE TOLERANCE FOR THE MOWING HEIGHT SHALL BE 3/4 INCH PLUS OR MINUS. MOWERS WORKING ADJACENT TO EACH OTHER

SHALL PROVIDE FOR A NEAT UNIFORM CUT OVER THE ENTIRE WIDTH OF THE CUT AREA. SCALPING OR SHALLOW CUTTING WILL NOT BE PERMITTED.

- 4.12 ANY RUTTING OR SLOPE DAMAGE CREATED BY THE CONTRACTOR WILL BE REPAIRED AND RETURNED TO PRE-EXISTING CONDITION, USING ALDOT SPECIFICATIONS FOR TOP SOIL, SEEDING, AND MULCHING. COST ASSOCIATED WITH THE REPAIR SHALL BE A SUBSIDIARY OBLIGATION OF MOWING.
- 4.13 FRONT SLOPES GREATER THAN 3:1 WILL BE MOWED A MINIMUM OF 15 FOOT DOWN SLOPE FROM EDGE OF SHOULDER OR EDGE OF GUARDRAIL IF APPLICABLE. ON BACKSLOPES GREATER THAN 3:1, MOW A MINIMUM OF 15 FOOT UP BACKSLOPE FROM DITCHLINE. ANY SLOPE TOO WET TO MOW WITHOUT TRACTOR SLIPPAGE WILL BE MOWED USING A BOOM MOWER OR HAND EQUIPMENT UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR. PAYMENT FOR THESE ITEMS SHALL BE A SUBSIDIARY OBLIGATION OF THE ITEM MOWING.
- 4.14 MOWING EQUIPMENT SHALL BE CLEANED OF ALL CLIPPINGS AND APPROVED BY THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR PRIOR TO BEGINNING EACH MOWING CYCLE. IN ADDITION, MOWING EQUIPMENT SHALL BE CLEANED OF ALL CLIPPINGS PRIOR TO BEGINNING EACH DAY.
- 4.15 IF MOWING IS NOT COMPLETED WITHIN THE ALLOTTED NUMBER OF DAYS, LIQUIDATED DAMAGES WILL BE ASSESSED PER CYCLE, BASED ON THE MOST CURRENT EDITION OF STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS FOR HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION.
- 4.16 FOR THE PURPOSE OF THIS CONTRACT, LITTER IS DEFINED AS, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, TRASH, GARBAGE, AND/OR REFUSE OF THE FOLLOWING TYPES: PAPER, PLASTIC, BOTTLES, CANS, WOOD, TIRES, METAL PRODUCTS, ETC. AND DEBRIS DESIGNATED BY THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR. LITTER IS TO BE COLLECTED IMMEDIATELY BEFORE AND IMMEDIATELY AFTER MOWING FOR DISPOSAL ON EACH MOWING CYCLE WITHIN THE MOWING LIMITS AND SHALL INCLUDE THE PAVED SHOULDER AND ROADWAY.
- 4.17 REMOVAL AND DISPOSAL OF DEBRIS DURING THE LITTER REMOVAL OPERATION SHALL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE CONTRACTOR. ALL APPLICABLE FEDERAL, STATE, AND LOCAL LAWS AND ORDINANCES RELATED TO THE HAULING, HANDLING, AND DISPOSITION OF SUCH MATERIAL SHALL BE COMPLIED WITH BY THE CONTRACTOR. THE CONTRACTOR MUST PROVIDE PROOF OF COMPLIANT DISPOSAL WITH EACH INVOICE BY SUBMITTING WITH THE INVOICE DISPOSAL TICKETS PROVIDING THE NAME, FACILITY IDENTIFICATION NUMBER, AND LOCATION OF FACILITY THE CONTRACTOR IS USING FOR DISPOSITION OF WASTE MATERIALS. ALL LANDFILL FEES SHALL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE CONTRACTOR. FAILURE TO PROVIDE THE REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION OF APPROPRIATE AND LEGAL DISPOSAL WILL RESULT IN IMMEDIATE CANCELLATION OF THE CONTRACT AND FORFEITURE OF PAYMENT FOR ANY WORK FOUND TO BE IN NON-COMPLIANCE.
- 4.18 THE "ROUTINE LITTER REMOVAL" WORK SHALL CONSIST OF REMOVAL AND DISPOSAL OF ALL LITTER WITHIN THE MAINTAINED RIGHT OF WAY, PAVED SHOULDERS, AND INTERSTATE RAMPS.

THE "LITTER REMOVAL MOWING CYCLE" SHALL CONSIST OF REMOVAL AND DISPOSAL OF LITTER ON ESTABLISHED MOWING AREAS OF THE ENTIRE HIGHWAY RIGHT-OF-WAY AND PAVED SHOULDERS. THIS CYCLE SHALL BE COMPLETED PRIOR TO MOWING OPERATIONS. IF NECESSARY, THE CONTRACTOR MAY BE REQUIRED TO REMOVE LITTER THAT WAS MISSED AFTER THE MOWING CREWS HAVE CUT WITHOUT ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION. THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR SHALL BE

RESPONSIBLE FOR NOTIFYING THE CONTRACTOR OF THE NEED FOR "LITTER REMOVAL MOWING CYCLE"

LITTER REMOVAL ON THE INSIDE OF PAVED SHOULDERS FOR THE SECTION OF THE ROUTE THAT HAS CONCRETE MEDIAN BARRIER IS NOT INCLUDED IN THIS CONTRACT.

- 4.19 ROUTINE LITTER REMOVAL MAY INCLUDE LITTER REMOVAL FOR MOWING CYCLES. LITTER REMOVAL FOR MOWING CYCLES WILL BE RECOGNIZED AS ROUTINE LITTER REMOVAL. NO ADDITIONAL LITTER REMOVAL WILL BE PERFORMED WITHIN A MONTH IN WHICH LITTER REMOVAL FOR MOWING CYCLES IS PERFORMED UNLESS REQUESTED BY THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR.
- 4.20 LITTER COLLECTION SHALL BE DONE WITHIN SEPARATE BLOCKS OR AREAS DESIGNATED BY THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR TO ALLOW THE COLLECTION TO BE PERFORMED IN AN ORDERLY MANNER AND ALL THE INSPECTION OF THE LITTER REMOVAL WORK.

5.0 INSPECTION

- 5.1 THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR MAY APPOINT SUCH INSPECTORS, ASSISTANTS, OR REPRESENTATIVES AS HE DEEMS NECESSARY AND THEY SHALL BE GRANTED FULL ACCESS TO THE WORK UNDER THE CONTRACT.
- 5.2 DUTIES OF THE INSPECTOR:

INSPECTORS WILL BE AUTHORIZED TO INSPECT ALL WORK DONE. SUCH INSPECTION MAY EXTEND TO ALL OR ANY PART OF THE WORK. THE INSPECTOR WILL NOT BE AUTHORIZED TO ALTER OR WAIVE THE PROVISIONS OF THE CONTRACT. THE INSPECTOR WILL NOT BE AUTHORIZED TO ISSUE INSTRUCTIONS CONTRARY TO THE PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS OR TO ACT AS FOREMAN FOR THE CONTRACTOR. HOWEVER, HE SHALL HAVE THE AUTHORITY TO REJECT WORK OR MATERIALS UNTIL ANY QUESTIONS AT ISSUE CAN BE REFERRED TO AND DECIDED BY THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR.

INSPECTOR SHALL BE AUTHORIZED TO ENFORCE WORKSITE SAFETY REQUIREMENTS. IN THE EVENT THAT AN UNDUE SAFETY HAZARD EXISTS, THE INSPECTOR IS AUTHORIZED TO STOP WORK UNTIL HAZARD IS CORRECTED.

MOWING GUIDELINES AND PARAMETERS FOR ALL CYCLES

NON-INTERSTATE ROUTES – MEDIANS 80 FEET OR LESS IN WIDTH ARE TO BE MOWED IN THEIR ENTIRETY. WHERE MEDIANS ARE GREATER THAN 80 FEET WIDE, MOW 40 FEET FROM THE EDGE OF PAVEMENT OR TO THE EXISTING TREE LINE IF LESS THAN 40 FEET. REMAINING NARROW STRIPS SHOULD BE MOWED.

OUTSIDE SLOPES ARE TO BE MOWED 40 FEET FROM THE EDGE OF PAVEMENT ON NON-INTERSTATE ROUTES OR TO THE EXISTING TREE LINE IF LESS THAN 40 FEET. **NOTE:** IN URBAN AND RURAL AREAS, BACK SLOPES THAT ARE ADJACENT TO RESIDENTIAL OR COMMERCIAL PROPERTY BEING MAINTAINED SHOULD BE MOWED TO THE EDGE OF ROW.

PROPER SIGHT DISTANCES AT CROSSOVERS SHALL BE MAINTAINED BY MOWING THE MEDIAN IN ITS ENTIRE WIDTH FOR 150 FEET ON EACH SIDE OF THE CROSSOVER PAVEMENT EDGE.

HANDWORK AROUND GUARDRAILS, CULVERT ENDS, BRIDGE ENDS, AND OTHER DRAINAGE STRUCTURES SHALL BE A PRIORITY.

DRAINAGE STRUCTURES OUTSIDE OF THE MOWING LIMITS SHOULD BE MOWED TO ALLOT MAINTENANCE ACCESS. MINIMUM OF 10 FEET ON EACH SIDE.

LITTER COLLECTION IS TO BE PERFORMED TO THE RIGHT OF WAY OR TREE LINE/FENCE LINE.

AT INTERSECTING ROADWAYS AND DRIVEWAYS, A WIDE SIGHT TRIANGLE, WITH LEGS EXTENDING 150 FEET, SHALL BE MOWED DOWN EACH SIDE OF THE INTERSECTION.

WET AREAS NOT ACCESSIBLE BY MOWING EQUIPMENT SHALL REQUIRE HAND TRIMMING OR OTHER SPECIALIZED EQUIPMENT ON EACH CYCLE OR AS DIRECTED BY THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR OR DESIGNEE.

MOWING CYCLES MAY BE ADDED OR DELETED AS INSTRUCTED BY DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR DUE TO HERBICIDE TREATMENTS OR WEATHER CONDITIONS.