

3390300 – MISCELLANEOUS ASPHALT PAVEMENT-FOUNDATIONS AND SOIL  
TREATMENT  
RESPONSE TO COMMENTS FROM INDUSTRY REVIEW

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Comments:

In 7-1.7 it is required that the employee applying the insecticide and herbicide possess a current Florida Department of Agriculture Commercial Applicator license with categories of licensure in Right of Way Pest Control and Aquatic Pest Control.

We do not feel it necessary to link Pest Control licensure with the application of pre-emergent herbicides. Can we make 1-1.7 less general and more specific to 339-3?

If not, we do not agree with the change the way it is presented.

Response: Pre-emergent herbicides like all other herbicides may be hazardous if used improperly. This is no different that any other product or process used in construction. To minimize risk, the department routinely relies on licensed professionals. Considering the volume of herbicides that are used, the large areas, and the number of people that can be exposed, I would not want to be responsible for removing the requirements for licensed pest control.

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Comments:

" Shape all soil, upon which pavement will be placed, to a firm state, reflective of the lines, grades, and typical sections shown in the plans."

"Uniformly apply a pre-emergent herbicide to the foundation soil. This herbicide shall be in accordance with Section 7-1.7. Place all herbicides in accordance with its labeling and immediately prior to any pavement placement. All herbicides to be applied under paved surfaces shall have a label indicating such use."

"Prevent damage to any adjacent vegetation during herbicide application. Replace, at no expense to the department, any plant growth damaged as a result of soil treatment outside of its intended area."

Thanks,  
Jeremy

Response: The proposed text seems to convey the same information as the original but with a little more clarity. We should consider these suggestions.

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Comments:

Grammar error on the last clause "and compact the soil.." in this sentence below. Use of the word "and" should be removed if the ONLY action is to compact the soil.

This is the sentence with the error: "Prior to placing of the hot bituminous mixture, shape the soil on which the pavement is to be constructed, to a surface true to the lines, grades and typical cross-sections shown in the plans, and compact the soil to a firm state."

Response: This grammatical error can be corrected.