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**TO: DISTRICT MATERIALS AND RESEARCH ENGINEERS  
DISTRICT CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERS**

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**SUBJECT: SOIL CLASSIFICATION ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA**

Currently, the verification of QC results in Section 120 and 125 of the Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction is done by the Engineer if the Verification results identify matching soil classifications.

Pending a Specification change, this memorandum serves as a change to acceptance criteria for soil classification per Section 120-10.4.3. The first sentence of the subject specification shall be replaced with “The Engineer will verify the QC results if the Verification results identify matching *soil utilization symbol* per FDOT Design Standards Index 505.”

The Contractor (QC) and the Department representative (VT) must still report the soil classification in the project logbook. Verified QC soil classification results will be used for compliance for earthwork specific requirements per Sections 120 and 125 of the Standard Specifications.

**This memorandum serves as a blanket approval to process this change at no cost to the Department and should be attached to the Field Supplemental Agreement/Work Order or Supplemental Agreement.**

Should you have any questions, please contact Dino Jameson, State Materials Office at 352-955-2933.

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