

1100601 REMOVAL OF EXISTING STRUCTURES – STRUCTURES TO BE REMOVED
COMMENTS FROM INDUSTRY REVIEW

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Comments:

A problem that often occurs is who is to unload the trucks and/or stockpile the material. Many times the recipient who desires the material will designate a location for delivery – a ground surface area – and the Contractor’s trucks will spot dump until the space is used-up. Then the Contractor asks where do I place the remainder of the material? Often the recipient will ask the Contractor to provide equipment to push the material into concentrated piles and continue dumping. And the cost for providing equipment and pushing into stockpile(s) is a cost the Contractor does not have in his bid.

Often the truckers are independent operators who get paid by the trip and make no effort to spot dump in close proximity to other dumped material.

Maybe adding a sentence which more specifically tells the Bidders/Contractor who pays for unloading and stockpiling would be appropriate. The Owner can tell the Contractor he is to “assume sole responsibility for the coordinating”, but can the Owner tell the recipient for what he is responsible?

Response: Owner of the material does address the responsibilities of the recipient in the agreement that must be executed by the recipient prior to the spec language being added to the contract. The recipient is responsible for handling materials at the site designated in the specification and is responsible for receiving the debris material as is from the contractor.

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Comments:

This spec. may be more appropriate as a special provision since it requires project specific information, like bridge #, Agency and haul distance.

Response: It will have to be done as a special provision since it will only be used when the recipient has executed an agreement with FDOT to accept the material.

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Comments:

The third sentence appears to be incomplete. It does not state who is to assume sole responsibility.

Response: The spec is written to the prime contractor so it will be the one with the sole responsibility for coordination and delivery of the debris with the recipient.

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Comments:

The Contractor shall be responsible and the payment should include delivering and unloading of the debris.

Response: The spec does address that the payment for the delivery of the debris to the designated location is to be included in the cost of the demolition. The recipient is responsible for unloading should a crane or other device be needed.

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Comments:

- 1) Suggest we add the modifier "approximately" before distance to be given in miles.
- 2) As written, I read a perhaps unintended limit of responsibility for the receiving agency. Suggest adding "handling and" before the last occurrence of "placement".

Response: For comment 1), intent is to use map mileage to the delivery site. For comment 2), the recipient must execute an agreement with FDOT prior to this specification being used. The

terms of that agreement spell out recipient responsibilities.

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Comments:

There are "structures" other than bridges which this pay item is used for. At least there use to be. This spec seems to solely address delivery of the demolished structure more so than removal of the structure; therefore, I definitely recommend they specifically state that all reinforcing steel must be removed at the site prior to transporting.

Response: This would only be used for bridges when the recipient has executed the agreement with FDOT. Recipient must agree to receive bridge demolition debris as is from the contractor.

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