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December 28, 2015

Khoa Nguyen  
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3500 Financial Plaza, Suite 400  
Tallahassee, Florida 32312

Re: State Specifications Office  
Section **430**  
Proposed Specification: **4300100 Pipe Culverts.**

Dear Mr. Nguyen:

We are submitting, for your approval, two copies of the above referenced Supplemental Specification.

The changes are proposed by Amy Tootle of the State Construction Office to require all construction-related documentation to be submitted by electronic means for consistency with the State Construction Office e-Construction initiative.

Please review and transmit your comments, if any, within two weeks. Comments should be sent via email to [daniel.scheer@dot.state.fl.us](mailto:daniel.scheer@dot.state.fl.us).

If you have any questions relating to this specification change, please call me at 414-4130.

Sincerely,

Signature on file

Daniel Scheer, P.E.  
State Specifications Engineer

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Attachment

cc: Florida Transportation Builders' Assoc.  
State Construction Engineer

## PIPE CULVERTS.

(REV ~~10-30~~11-12-15)

ARTICLE 430-1 is deleted and the following substituted:

### 430-1 Description.

Furnish and install drainage pipe and end sections at the locations called for in the Plans. Furnish and construct joints and connections to existing pipes, catch basins, inlets, manholes, walls, etc., as may be required to complete the work.

Obtain pipe culverts and drainage products from a plant that is currently on the Department's Production Facility Listing. Producers seeking inclusion on the list shall meet the requirements of Section 105.

At the beginning of each project, ~~provide~~submit a notarized certification statement to the Engineer in accordance with Section 6. The Quality Control Manager's stamp on each product indicates certification that the product was fabricated in conformance with the Producer QC Plan, the Contract, and this Section. Ensure that each shipment of drainage products to the project site is accompanied with a QC signed or stamped delivery ticket providing the description and the list of the products.

When the Producer Quality Control Program is suspended by the Department, accept responsibility of either obtaining products from a plant with an approved Quality Control Program, or await re-approval of the plant. The Engineer will not allow changes in Contract Time or completion dates as a result of the plant's loss of qualification. Accept responsibility for all delay costs or other costs associated with the loss of the plant's qualification.

Construct structural plate pipe culverts or underdrains in accordance with Sections 435 and 440.

For pipe culverts installed by jack & bore, install in accordance with Section 556.

SUBARTICLE 430-3.1 is deleted and the following substituted:

**430-3.1 General:** ~~During~~ Prior to the preconstruction conference, ~~notify the Department in writing as to~~submit to the Department~~Engineer~~ which optional pipe material from the optional materials tabulation sheet will be used. Once a pipe material is selected, do not change pipe materials without approval of the Engineer.

When the Plans designate a type (or types) of pipe, use only the type (or choose from the types) designated. As an exception, when the Plans designate reinforced concrete pipe as Class S, Class I, Class II, Class III and Class IV, the Contractor may use non-reinforced concrete pipe up to and including 36 inch in diameter.

SUBARTICLE 430-4.8 is deleted and the following substituted:

**430-4.8 Pipe Inspection:** For pipes installed under the roadway, inspection is to be conducted when backfill reaches 3 feet above the pipe crown or upon completion of placement of the stabilized subgrade. For pipe installed within fills, including embankments confined by walls, inspection is to be conducted when compacted embankment reaches 3 feet above the pipe

crown or the finished earthwork grade as specified in the Plans. Prior to conducting the inspection, ~~provide-submit to~~ the Engineer ~~with~~ a video recording schedule for videoing, dewater installed pipe, and remove all silt, debris and obstructions. Submit pipe videoing and reports to the Department for review prior to the continuation of paving.

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1. Actual recorded length and width measurements of all cracks within the pipe.
2. Actual recorded separation measurement of all rigid pipe joints.
3. Detailed written observations of leaks, debris, or other damage or defects.

For flexible pipe types, ~~provide-submit~~ a Pipe Ovality Report for each pipe run that includes:

1. Representative diameter of the pipe.
2. Pipe deformation/deflections measurements with the 5% deflection limit clearly delineated.

Laser profiling and measurement technology must be certified by the company performing the work to be in compliance with the calibration criteria posted at: <http://www.dot.state.fl.us/construction/contractorissues/laser.shtm> . Reports submitted in electronic media are preferred.

The Engineer may waive this requirement for side drains and cross drains which are short enough to inspect from each end of the pipe.

**430-4.8.1 Video Report:** Provide a high quality DVD in a MPEG2 format video with a standard resolution of 720 x 480. Use a camera with lighting suitable to allow a clear picture of the entire periphery of the pipe. Center the camera in the pipe both vertically and horizontally and be able to pan and tilt to a 90 degree angle with the axis of the pipe and rotating 360 degrees. Use equipment to move the camera through the pipe that will not obstruct the camera's view or interfere with proper documentation of the pipe's condition.

The video image shall be clear, focused, and relatively free from roll, static, or other image distortion qualities that would prevent the reviewer from evaluating the condition of the pipe. The video will include identification before each section of pipe filmed. The identification will include the project number, the structure number corresponding to the structure number in the Plans for the project, size of pipe, the date and time, and indicate which pipe is being filmed if multiple pipes are connected to the structure. Notes should be taken during the video recording process. ~~Provide the Engineer with copies of~~ **Submit** these notes along with the video.

Move the camera through the pipe at a speed not greater than 30 feet per minute. Mark the video with the distance down the pipe. The distance shall have an accuracy of one foot per 100 feet. Film the entire circumference at each joint. Stop the camera and pan when necessary to document and measure defects. Position the camera head perpendicular to all defects requiring measurement by the video micrometer.

**430-4.8.2 Reinspection:** At any time after reviewing the submitted pipe inspection reports, the Engineer may direct additional inspections. If no defects are observed during the reinspection, the Department will pay for the cost of the reinspections in accordance

with 4-3. If defects are observed, the reinspection and all work performed to correct the defects will be done at no cost to the Department. Acceptance of all replacements or repairs will be based on video documentation of the completed work prior to Final Acceptance.

SUBARTICLE 430-7.3.1.3 is deleted and the following substituted:

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