

## ITEM 200

### STRIPPING

- 200.1 Description. Within the limits indicated, or in areas where existing grade is to be altered either by excavation or embankment, the Contractor shall strip existing topsoil to approximately 3-inches depth or as shown on the drawings and shall stockpile for future use as topsoil at the Contractor's expense (See Item 160, "Topsoil"). Stripping shall include the removal and disposal of scrap iron, rubbish, logs, abandoned utilities, signs, and any and all other debris, if within the right-of-way or designated easements, whether above or below existing grade. "Stripping and excavation can take place in the same operation, provided the topmost material is suitable for use in future construction, and provided it is not to be set aside for backfill or topsoil." Field cross-sections will no longer be obtained.
- 200.2 Construction Methods. The stripping shall be removed regardless of the project area to be excavated or receive embankment. Unsuitable strippings for use in the future construction and any other unsatisfactory material shall be removed off the right-of-way, and disposed of by the Contractor. Suitable strippings shall be used in esplanade or in areas from back-of-curb to R.O.W. as shown on the drawings or as directed by the Engineer. Suitable strippings shall be hauled and stored properly and protected from contamination. Proper Storm Water Pollution Prevention Best Management Practices shall be applied to stripped areas and stockpiled strippings.
- When stockpiling strippings or wastes, or disposing of excess strippings and waste, on or off site, the Contractor shall not place the material in "environmentally sensitive area, floodway or waters of the United States, including adjacent wetlands", as defined in the Clean Water Act and the Rivers and Harbors Act, unless he has previously obtained the appropriate Department of the Army Permit authorizing the activity. If the stockpile or disposal site is defined in the plans, then the **City of Deer Park** shall be responsible for ensuring that the appropriate Department of the Army permit has been obtained for the activity.
- 200.3 Measurement & Payment. Stripping and any associated stockpiling, or disposal will not be paid for directly. Payment for stripping shall be incidental to excavation, borrow or embankment.

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