

## Hamre, John G.

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**From:** Fahn, Patrick J.  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 04, 2010 11:40 AM  
**To:** Hamre, John G.  
**Subject:** FW: Enbridge Pipelines North Dakota Stanley Tank Project Construction Start Notice- (Reference PSC Case #PU-10-33 and Old Order #PU-08-0812)  
**Attachments:** SWPPP.pdf; PSC Waivers.pdf; PSC Certification Letter - Stanley Tank.pdf; Stanley Tank SWPPP.pdf

John – please docket in 10-33 from Enbridge ND and then forward to Commissioners, PU, and Legal

### Patrick Fahn

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**From:** Ty France [<mailto:Ty.France@rooney-eng.com>]  
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**To:** Fahn, Patrick J.  
**Cc:** Claudia Schrull; Brent\_Horton@Enbridge.com; Troy D. Pierantoni; Fred Washek; Wendy Martin; Eric Stahl  
**Subject:** Enbridge Pipelines North Dakota Stanley Tank Project Construction Start Notice- (Reference PSC Case #PU-10-33 and Old Order #PU-08-0812)

Mr. Fahn,

Please find the attached SWPPP permit and Adjacent Landowner construction Waivers for the new Stanley Tank. We are having a pre-job meeting tomorrow morning 3/4/10 in Minot with the Enbridge Project team and the Civil / Tank Contractor - Tanco Engineering. After completion of this meeting we expect the contractor to begin mobilization to the jobsite. Construction activities may commence as early as tomorrow afternoon 3/4/10 with survey work. Civil construction activities will follow thereafter.

If you have any questions, please let me know.

Regards,

**Ty France P.E.**

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January 19, 2010

North Dakota Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NDPDES)  
General Permit for Stormwater Discharges from Construction Activity  
NOTICE OF COVERAGE

Permittee(s)

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Enbridge Pipelines (North Dakota) LLC  
119 N 25th St. E  
Superior, WI 54880-5247

Operator Contact: Doug Kline  
Tanco Engineering, Inc.  
1400 Taurus Court  
Loveland, CO 80537

Coverage under the 2009 reissued construction general permit (NDR10-0000) is identified as follows:

Permit ID: **NDR103100**      Site Name: **Stanley Station Tank Construction Project**

Please remember to update the Stormwater Pollution Prevention (SWPP) plan as appropriate for site conditions. The best management practices (BMPs) and temporary structures must be inspected, maintained and adjusted until the site is stabilized following construction activities. Once the site is stabilized as outlined in the general permit, you may end permit coverage by filing a termination notice. Permit coverage remains active until you submit a termination notice. Cities or counties may impose additional requirements and/or specific BMPs for construction affecting their storm drainage system. Please check with the local officials to be sure all local stormwater management considerations are addressed.

Additional Information

The permit conditions, forms and related information may be found on our web site at:

[www.ndhealth.gov/wq/Storm/Construction/ConstructionHome.htm](http://www.ndhealth.gov/wq/Storm/Construction/ConstructionHome.htm)

Should you have any questions on the permit, please contact the stormwater staff person listed below.

Dallas Grossman  
Division of Water Quality  
Phone: 701-328-5242  
Email: [dgrossma@nd.gov](mailto:dgrossma@nd.gov)

February 19, 2010

Mr. Brent Horton  
Project Manager  
ENBRIDGE PIPELINES  
(NORTH DAKOTA) LLC  
2505 16<sup>th</sup> Street SW  
Minot, ND 58701-6947

Dear Mr. Horton:

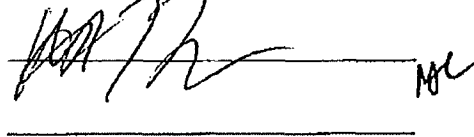
In re: Stanley Tank  
Mountrail County, ND

We have viewed a map of the location of the proposed Stanley Tank. The proposed tank will be located within 500 feet of our business. We understand that Enbridge is going to construct the tank with new equipment, and so will be expanding the size of its facilities as shown on the map (attached).

We have no objection to the proposed construction of the Stanley tank, the edge of which is to be constructed and located approximately 80 feet from Enbridge's north property line and 400 feet from Enbridge's east property line (as described in e-mail dated February 15, 2010 attached).

Sincerely,

BRIDGER PIPELINE LLC



February 10, 2010


Mr. Brent Horton  
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Sincerely,

Drusser Oil Tools, Inc  


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Sincerely,

Dr. Cydon Feiring DVM

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February 16, 2010

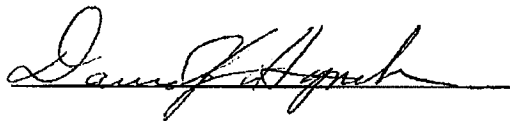
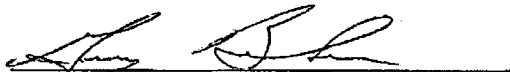
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January 18, 2010

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Commissioner Tony Clark  
Commissioner Brian P. Kalk  
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Patrick J. Fahn  
North Dakota Public Service Commission  
600 E. Boulevard, Dept. 408  
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

RE: Case No. PU-08-812, Enbridge Pipelines (North Dakota) LLC  
Stanley Pump Station Upgrades, Siting Application  
Certification Letter for Tank Construction at Stanley Station

Dear Sirs and Madame:

In accordance with North Dakota Century Code § 49-22-03(3) (2009), this correspondence is to notify the North Dakota Public Service Commission ("Commission") that Enbridge Pipelines (North Dakota) LLC ("Enbridge") intends to construct a tank for storage of crude petroleum at its Stanley Station, located in Mountrail County, North Dakota. Enbridge requests that the Commission acknowledge receipt of this certification letter and schedule a Preconstruction Conference at its earliest convenience. Enbridge intends to commence civil construction at Stanley Station as early as January 21, 2010.

Enbridge previously applied for and received by Commission Order filed on August 23, 2006, a Certificate of Site Compatibility for Transmission Facility Corridor No. 93 and a Permit for the Construction of a Transmission Facility No. 103 that granted authority to upgrade the Stanley Station. (Case No. PU-07-791). On June 4, 2008, the Commission issued a First Amended Certificate of Corridor Compatibility No. 93 and a First Amended Route Permit No. 103, which granted Enbridge authority to further upgrade the Stanley Station. Environmental Assessments and Cultural Resource Surveys were provided for both proceedings.

On October 8, 2008, Enbridge filed a consolidated letter of intent for upgrades to the Stanley Station. By Order dated December 5, 2008, the Commission authorized a Second Amended Certificate of Corridor Compatibility and Route Permit for certain upgrades, which included:

installation of two new 200 horsepower booster pumps, two new 300 horsepower variable frequency drives, Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition system upgrades, and the replacement of 6-inch and 10-inch station piping with 12-inch and 16-inch station piping.

These upgrades were constructed on Enbridge fee-owned land and completed on December 11, 2009.

While not expressly included in the scope of the previously Certificated and Permitted upgrades, the presently proposed tank construction at Stanley Station was noted in drawing(s) submitted relative to the proposed construction Certificated and Permitted by Commission Order of December 5, 2008. (See Attached, Exhibit B.1). As of December 5, 2008, the North Dakota State Historic Preservation Officer

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(SHPO) affirmed there were "No Historic Properties Affected" by the Stanley Station upgrades. Similarly, the

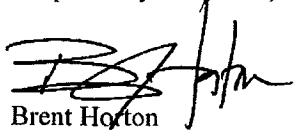
North Dakota Game and Fish Department indicated that the Stanley Station upgrades would not have significant adverse effects on wildlife or wildlife habitat, including endangered species.

As stated above, Enbridge intends to construct a tank for storage of crude petroleum at its Stanley Station, which is located on Enbridge fee-owned land. Enbridge has contracted with Tanco Engineering, Inc., of Loveland, Colorado, for the following: Preparation of the Stanley Station site, grading, excavation, and tank construction during the Summer of 2010, with restoration slated for completion by the end of August 2010. Enbridge's construction is scheduled to start on January 21, 2010.

Enbridge certifies that this construction will comply with the terms and conditions of the Order Granting Certificate of Corridor Compatibility and Route Permit of December 5, 2008. The construction activities will be restricted to those lands previously Certificated and Permitted by the Commission. As such, the North Dakota State Historic Preservation Officer and North Dakota Game and Fish Department determinations remain applicable. Additionally, Enbridge certifies that its construction activities will not affect any known exclusion or avoidance area, as defined in North Dakota Administrative Code 69-06-08-02 (2009). Also, Enbridge certifies that it will comply with all the rules and regulations of all other agencies having jurisdiction over any phase of construction described herein; however, no additional permits or licenses are required of agencies for the described construction. Finally, Enbridge certifies that there are no "affected landowners" for purposes of this construction; as such, no waivers are required. Please find attached for your convenience Enbridge's IFC drawings detailing the construction to occur at Stanley Station.

Enbridge sincerely appreciates the time and attention the Public Service Commission and its Staff has given this matter. I am available at the contact numbers identified above should the Commission require further information, and to coordinate the scheduling of a Preconstruction Conference as soon as possible, preferably prior to January 21, 2010.

Respectfully submitted,



Brent Horton  
Manager, Regional Services and Development  
Liquid Pipelines

**CERTIFICATION OF APPLICANT PURSUANT TO N.D. CENT. CODE 49-22-03(3)**

ENBRIDGE PIPELINES (NORTH DAKOTA) LLC

I, Brent Horton, a duly authorized agent of Enbridge Pipelines (North Dakota) LLC ("Enbridge"), do hereby certify under oath:

1. That the North Dakota Public Service Commission previously granted unto Enbridge Pipelines (North Dakota) LLC the authority under an Original (Case No. PU-06-317), First Amended (Case No. PU-07-791) and Second Amended (Case No. PU-08-812) Certificate of Corridor Compatibility Number 93 and Route Permit Number 103 to upgrade the facilities at Stanley Station, Mountrail County, North Dakota;
2. That the construction activities to commence on January 21, 2010, shall take place within the boundaries of land subject to the above-named issued certificates and permits;
3. That the construction activities to take place will not affect any known exclusion or avoidance area; and
4. That Enbridge will comply with all applicable conditions and protections in siting law and rules and commission orders previously issued for any part of the Stanley Station.

Dated at Minot, North Dakota, this 18 day of January, 2010.

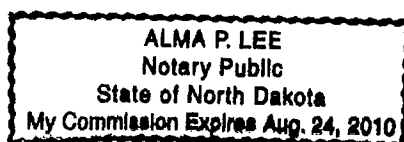
  
Brent Horton

This instrument was acknowledged before me this 18 day of January, 2010, by Brent Horton on behalf of Enbridge.

Sign: Alma P. Lee

Print: Alma P. Lee, Notary Public

My Commission Expires: August 24, 2010





# *Stanley Station Tank Construction Project*

## *Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan*



*January 2010*

NDPDES Stormwater Discharges from Construction Activities

**Notice of Coverage**



January 19, 2010

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# Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan

## **Guidance Forms**



**CONSTRUCTION STORM WATER  
POLLUTION PREVENTION PLAN**  
NORTH DAKOTA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  
DIVISION OF WATER QUALITY  
SFN 19388 (2/06)

# NORTH DAKOTA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH NDPDES PROGRAM

## Construction Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan Guidance Forms

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6.  SIGNIFICANT MATERIALS
7.  ADDITIONAL OWNERS/OPERATORS
8.  SITE INSPECTION RECORD

A SWPPP must be prepared and implemented for all construction activities covered under NDR10-0000. A copy of the SWPPP must be submitted to the Dept. of Health for projects that involve 50 or more acres, or have a discharge point located within 2000 ft of, and flow to, a water body that is listed as impaired due to sediment or parameters associated with sediment transport.

## PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Project Name	Stanley Station Tank Construction Project
Project Type	Construction of a 110-foot diameter crude oil storage tank
Project Location	T156N, R91W, Section 27, Mountrail County, North Dakota; 1 mile southeast of Stanley North Dakota.
Estimate of Project Size In Acres	5.5 acres

**Description of the Nature of Activity**

Enbridge Pipelines (North Dakota) LLC ("EPND") is proposing to construct a 110-foot diameter crude oil storage tank at its Stanley Station near Stanley, North Dakota. Construction-related activities include 1) grading of a construction staging area approximately 1.7 acres in size; 2) construction of a clay-lined containment structure with associated clay-lined dikes; 3) installation of a dike drain pipe and drain valve under the containment dike; 4) construction of a new access road to and over the new containment structure to provide access to the new tank; 5) construction of a new 110-foot diameter storage tank and concrete foundation; and 6) performing final grading and site restoration.

**Description of Existing Soils, Fill Material, and Erodibility of Such Soils**

Soils on the site consist of Manning sandy loam (49B) and Wabek loam (54E). According to NRCS data, Manning soils have a low erosion potential (K-factor of .20) and Wabek loam has a moderate erosion potential (K-factor of .28).

EPND will import approximately 2,350 cubic yards of clay and 1,175 cubic yards of Class 5 material to construct the dike and containment area. Approximately 1,280 cubic yards of granular rock, 360 cubic yards of clay, and 580 cubic yards of sand will be used to construct the tank foundation. Approximately 420 cubic yards of gravel and 105 cubic yards of crushed gravel will be used to construct the road to the containment dike. Total import volume is 6,270 cubic yards.

**Proposed Timetable for Construction Phases or Activities**

Construction is anticipated to commence in February 2010 and be completed in December 2010.

**Name of Receiving Waters or Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4)**

No waterbodies or wetlands would be directly impacted by the project. The Little Knife River is located approximately 1,340 feet down gradient of the proposed site. A vertical elevation change of 60 feet occurs from the project site to the Little Knife River. EPND will install temporary sediment barriers, as necessary, to ensure sediment does not leave the work site and enter this waterbody. Installation specifications of temporary sediment barriers are described in Appendix 1 of Permit NDR10-0000 and in EPND's Environmental Guidelines for Construction. Each of these documents will be implemented during the project and are included as an appendix of this SWPP Plan.

## SITE MAP DEVELOPMENT

**The site map should be suitably scaled and drawn to show the following required information:**


### MAP FEATURES

Use the following information as a checklist for developing the site map.

1.  Construction site boundaries and area(s) of soil disturbance.
2.  The location of springs, streams, wetlands, and other surface waters.
3.  The location of areas used for storage of building materials, soils, or waste materials.
4.  The locations of proposed and existing storm water controls.
5.  Storm water runoff/run on drainage patterns.
6.  Section, township, range, or street address.

## SIGNATORY CERTIFICATION

**INSTRUCTIONS:** The following statement shall be signed by a responsible corporate officer, general partner, principle executive officer or ranking elected official. The statement may be signed by a duly authorized representative of the person above in accordance with Part IV-E of the permit.

<b>CERTIFICATION</b>	
<p>"I <u>Kris Benson</u>, certify under penalty of law that I have personally examined and am familiar with the information submitted herein. Based on my inquiry of those individuals immediately responsible for obtaining the information, I believe the submitted information is true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fines and imprisonment.</p>	
Printed Name of Applicant Kris Benson	Title Environmental Analyst II
Signature of Applicant 	Date 1-22-10

## BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES FOR EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL

**EROSION & SEDIMENT CONTROL PRACTICES:**

	<u>LOCATION(s)</u>	<u>STAGE OF INSTALLATION<sup>†</sup></u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Straw Bale Dikes	<a href="#">As necessary on downslope sides of excavations of soil disturbances (refer to Section 02-14 of the attached "Environmental Guidelines for Construction" under Tab 6).</a>	<a href="#">Prior to excavation or grading activities.</a>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Silt Fences	<a href="#">As necessary on downslope sides of excavations of soil disturbances (refer to Section 02-14 of the attached "Environmental Guidelines for Construction" under Tab 6).</a>	<a href="#">Prior to excavation or grading activities.</a>
<input type="checkbox"/> Rock Checks	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Brush Barriers	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Sediment Logs/Biorolls	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Geotextile Triangular Dikes	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Floating Silt Curtain	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Drain Inlet Protection	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Sediment Traps	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Cut-Back Curb	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Stabilized Construction Access	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Terraces/Contours	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Drainage Swales	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Pipe Slope Drains	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Temporary Drain Diversion/Berm	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Concrete Washout Area	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Flocculation Sock	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Stockpile Protection	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Dewatering Bag	_____	_____

- Downspout Extensions \_\_\_\_\_
- Temporary Sediment Basins\* \_\_\_\_\_
- Outlet Drawdown Device\*\* \_\_\_\_\_

\*Sediment basins must be provided, where practical, when 10 or more acres of disturbed area drain to a common location. Requirements for sediment basins may be found in Appendix 1 of the permit.

\*\*Outlet drawdown devices must be provided for all temporary or permanent basins. Devices that will be installed permanently must meet local design standards. Requirements for temporary devices may be found in Appendix 1 of the permit.

† Stage of installation may include the planned date or the specific construction stage when the item may be installed such as initial site clearing, grading, finish grading, seeding, stabilization, etc... Dates may change depending on delays.

## BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES FOR EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL

**STABILIZATION PRACTICES:**

	<u>LOCATION(s)</u>	<u>STAGE OF INSTALLATION</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Temporary Seeding	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Mulching	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Hydromulching	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Filter/Vegetative Strips	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Erosion Control Blankets	_____	_____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Permanent Seeding	<u>Disturbed areas that will not be permanently converted to graveled area.</u>	<u>After final grading is completed.</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Retaining Wall	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Tree/Shrub Planting	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Sod Stabilization	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Riprap Slopes	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Surface Roughening	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Rock Outlet Protection	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Concrete Outlet Protection	_____	_____

Additional Practices (Both E&SC and Stabilization):

## OTHER BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

Will any contaminated soils potentially be encountered:

Yes  No

If yes, please attach a description of the methods used for handling and disposing of the contaminated soils.

### Spill Prevention methods, post construction controls and site inspections/maintenance

Description of Spill Prevention and Response Procedures (e.g., Fueling, Maintenance, Staging Areas):
<p>EPND has implemented a Spill Prevention, Containment, and Control Plan for the NDSE6 Project. This Plan is provided under Tab 5.</p>

Description of Post Construction Controls (e.g. Detention/Retention Ponds, Constructed Wetlands):
<p>The majority of the project area will remain graveled after construction. Temporary work space adjacent will be stabilized as described in the "Best Management Practices for Erosion and Sediment Control" section of this plan.</p>

Description of Procedures for Site Inspections and Maintenance:
<p>Environmental monitoring, in the form of ongoing inspection, will be conducted during and following construction. Inspectors will monitor compliance with required environmental protection measures, permit conditions, and specifications, and provide ongoing oversight for day-to-day issues that may arise during construction. Contract specifications will incorporate environmental protection measures, and contractors will be expected to implement these measures in the field. Contractor training and project orientation will be provided by EPND.</p>

## OTHER BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

### Description of sediment tracking reduction and sediment recover methods

#### Description of Methods to Reduce Sediment Tracking:

Little sediment tracking is anticipated by the project. Stormwater drain systems are not located near the project site; therefore, no sediment will be directly discharged to receiving waters or wetlands. Grading and earth moving equipment will be cleaned prior to leaving the work site to prevent debris from falling off the equipment during transportation.

#### Description of Methods for Recovering Tracked Sediments (e.g. Street Sweeping):

The contractor will be required to remove dirt and gravel that may be tracked or spilled onto adjacent public roadways by personnel vehicles entering and exiting the worksite. These materials would be removed with a shovel or road sweeper.

#### Description of Methods for Recovering Sediments from Sediment & Erosion Control Devices:

When the depth of sediment reaches approximately one-third of the height of a temporary sediment barrier (e.g., silt fence, straw bales), the barrier will be replaced and/or the sediment removed. Nonfunctional sediment-control measures will be repaired, replaced, or supplemented with functional features as soon as possible, but under no circumstance more than 24 hours after discovery, if weather conditions allow. Shovels, backhoes, or dozers will be used to recover sediment. The method used is dependent on the amount of sediment that must be collected.

#### Description of Winter Stabilization Practices that will be Utilized:

Construction will begin during frozen ground conditions. Temporary sediment barriers will be installed as soon as ground conditions allow. Sediment control measures will remain in place until final grading and cleanup has been completed.

## SIGNIFICANT MATERIALS

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Based on your site’s material inventory, provide the following information. For the definition of “significant materials,” see Part V of the permit. The **location** of the significant materials should be indicated on the site map. See example below:

MATERIAL	QTY KEPT ON SITE	DISPOSAL METHOD FOR WASTE OR SPILLS	POLLUTION PREVENTION MEASURES
Ex: Diesel Fuel	Ex: 500 gallons	Ex: Using NDDH Waste Management Guidelines	Ex: Berm constructed around tank to capture any spills or leaks. Employees have been trained to prevent spills during fueling process and to contact management if a spill occurs.
Diesel Fuel, Lubricating Greases, and Gasoline	Various	Using NDDH Waste Management Guidelines	All petroleum products will be placed in secondary containment structures. Refer to the "Spill Prevention Methods" section of this plan and the attached SPCC Plan under Tab 5.
Earthen materials as described under "Project Description"			

(Attach additional pages if needed)

<b>ADDITIONAL OWNERS/OPERATORS</b>
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**INSTRUCTIONS:** This section is provided to include additional owners and operators that may be designated by the permit holder to perform activities on a project (i.e., subcontractor). The additional owners/operators must adhere to this Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan. The use of this section is intended for projects involved in “large” construction activity. It may also be used for “small” construction activity as a record for the owner.

**Signatory**

“I certify under penalty of law that I have personally read, understood, and accepted all terms and conditions of this Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan, and that I shall implement the Plan accordingly. I am also familiar with the NDPDES General Permit for Storm Water Discharges Associated with Construction Activity (NDR10-0000).

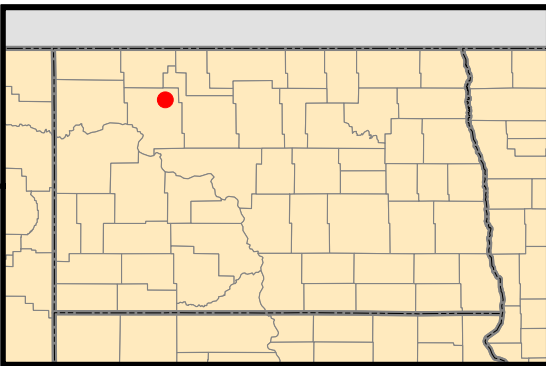
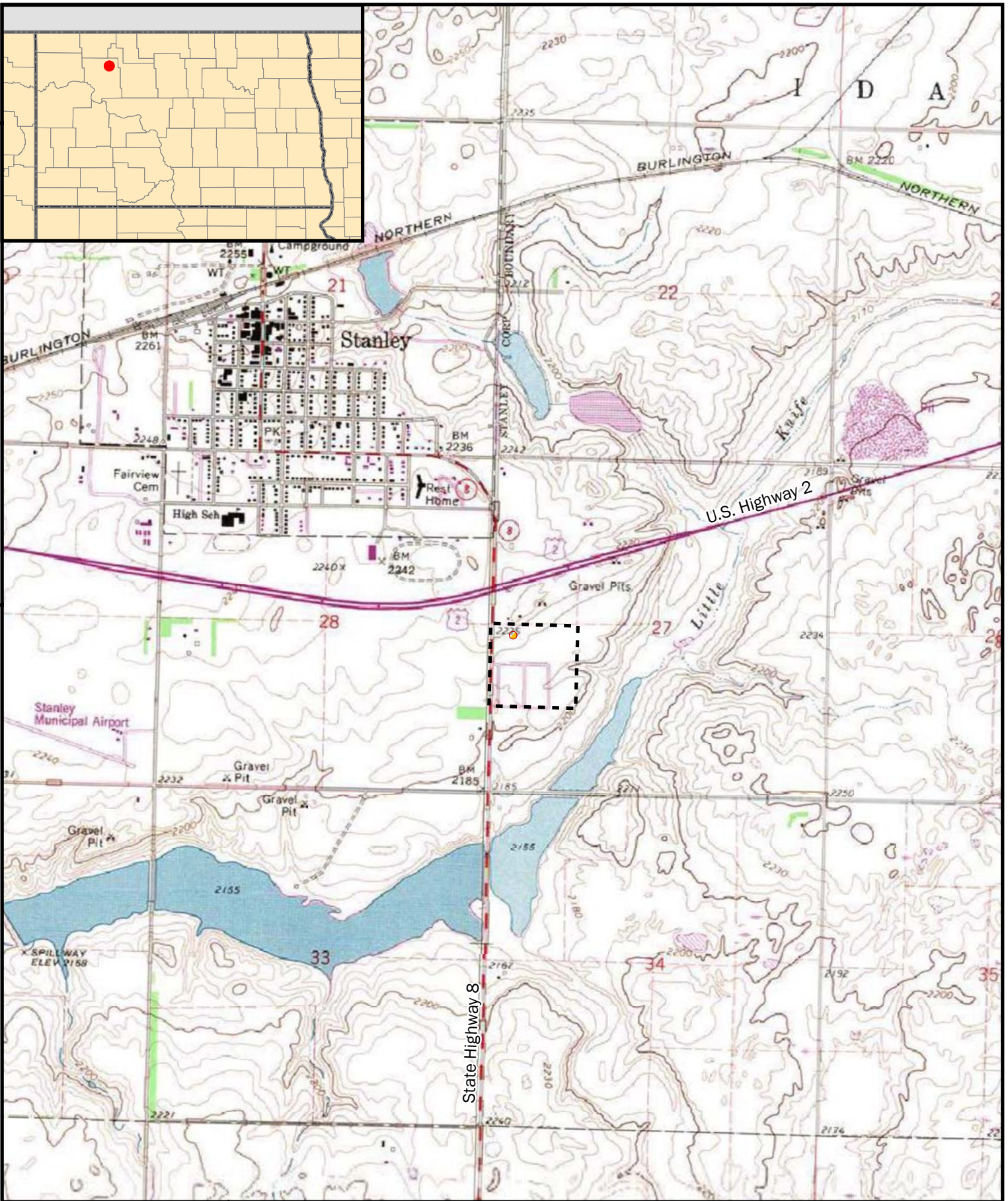
Printed Name	Signature	Title	Company Name	Date





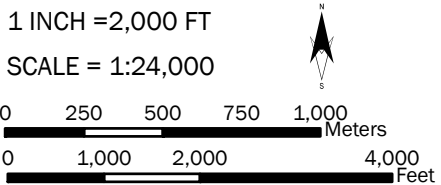


Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan

**Project Location Map and Construction Drawings**

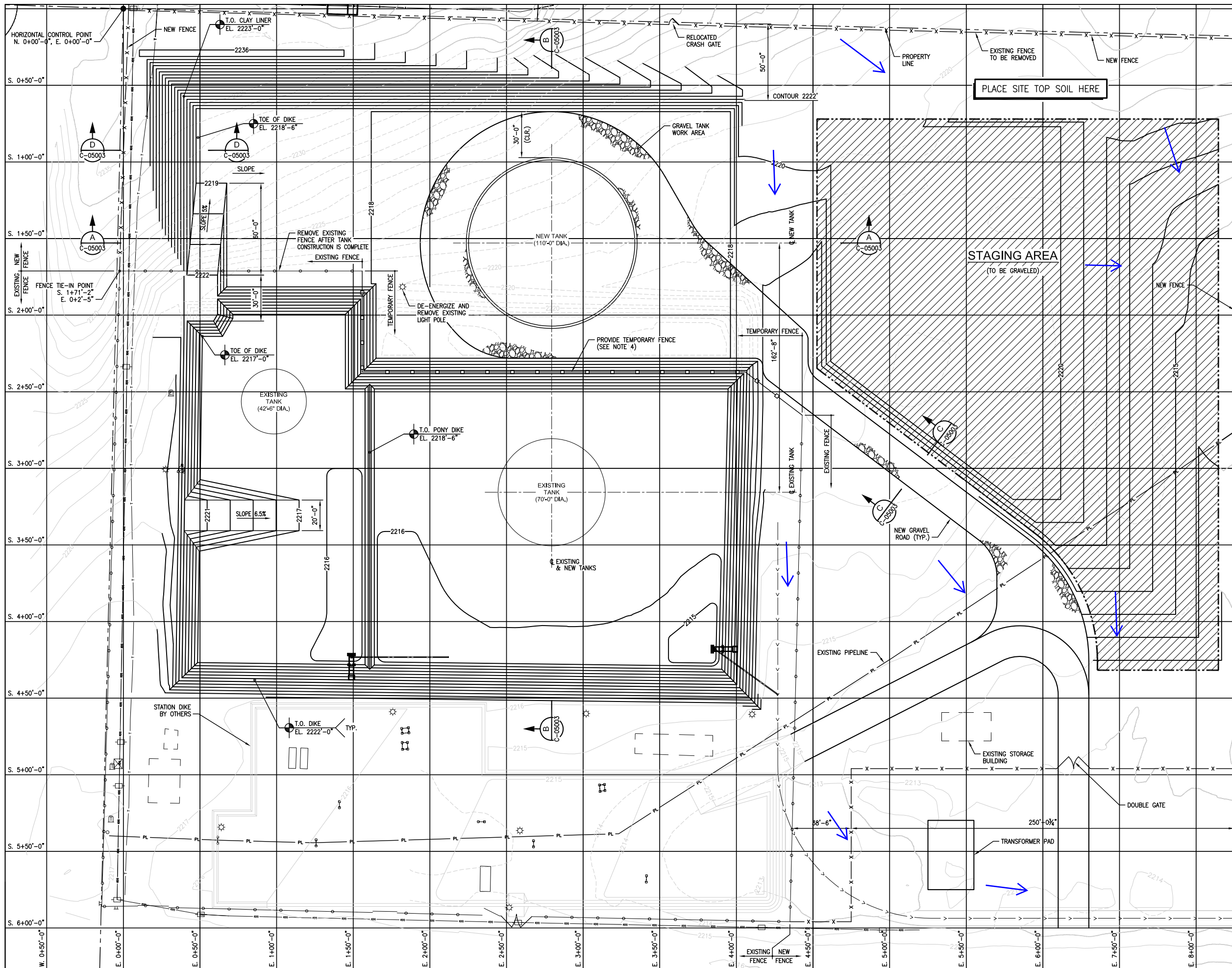


-  ENBRIDGE PROPERTY BOUNDARY
-  NEW TANK FACILITY



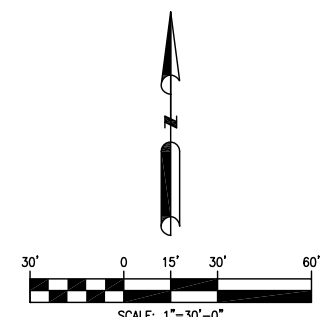
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**STANLEY STATION TANK CONSTRUCTION PROJECT**  
 PROJECT LOCATION MAP

T156N, R91W, Section 27, Mountrail County, North Dakota



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- EXISTING ELECTRIC
- FLOW LINE
- EXISTING LIGHT
- STAGING AREA FOR PHASE I & PHASE II TANK CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTOR



**NOTES:**

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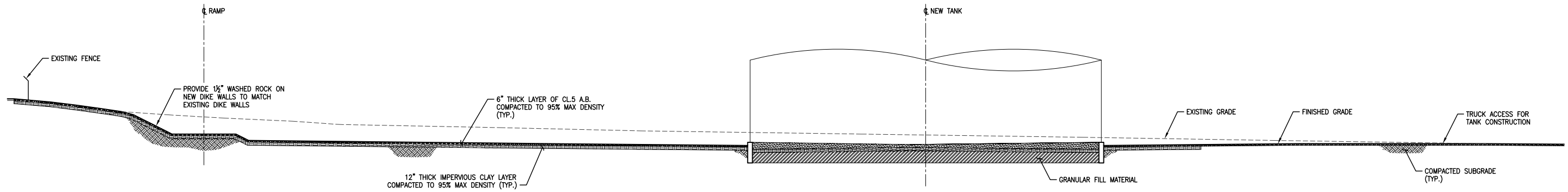
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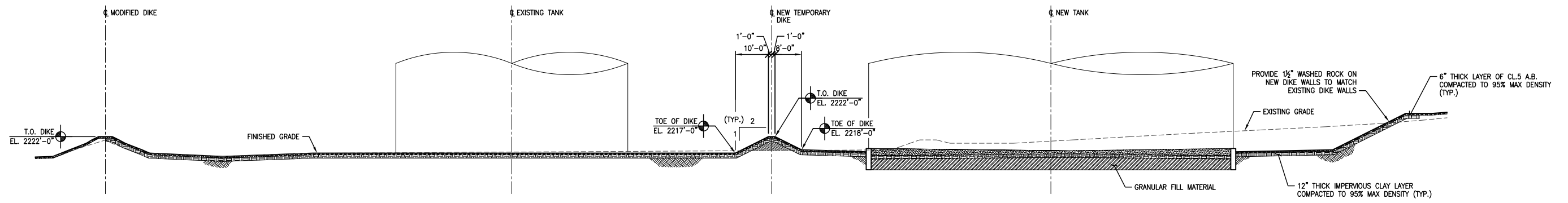
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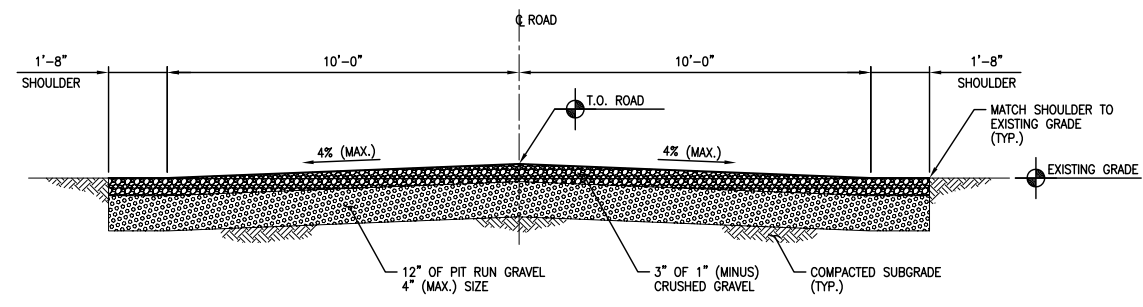
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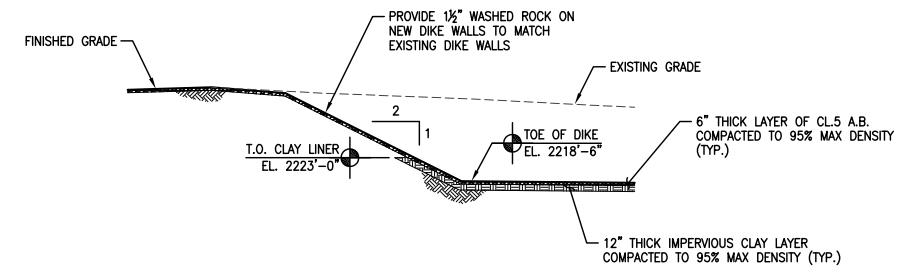
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PROVIDE 6" THICK LAYER OF CL5 A.B. ON DIKE FLOORS AND DRIVES ONLY  
PROVIDE 1/2" WASHED ROCK ON NEW DIKE WALLS TO MATCH EXISTING DIKE WALLS

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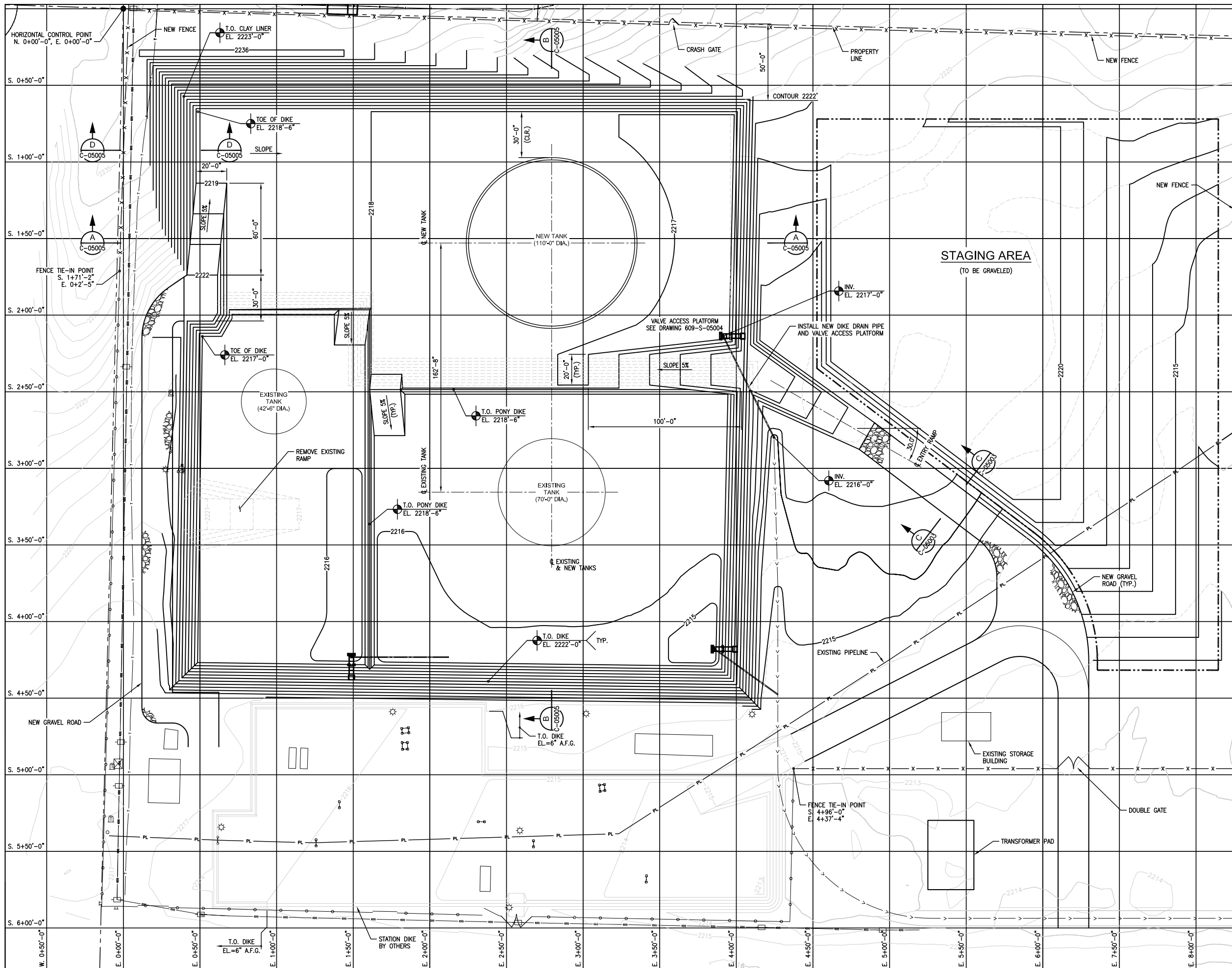
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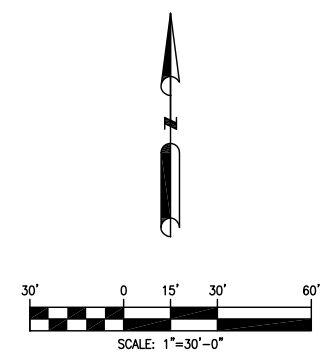
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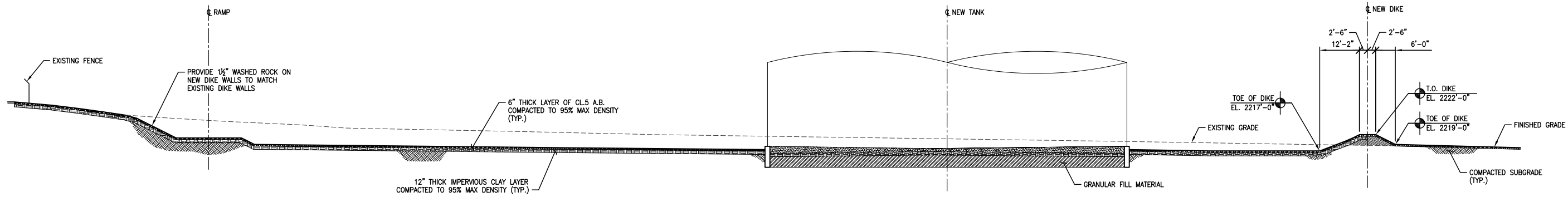
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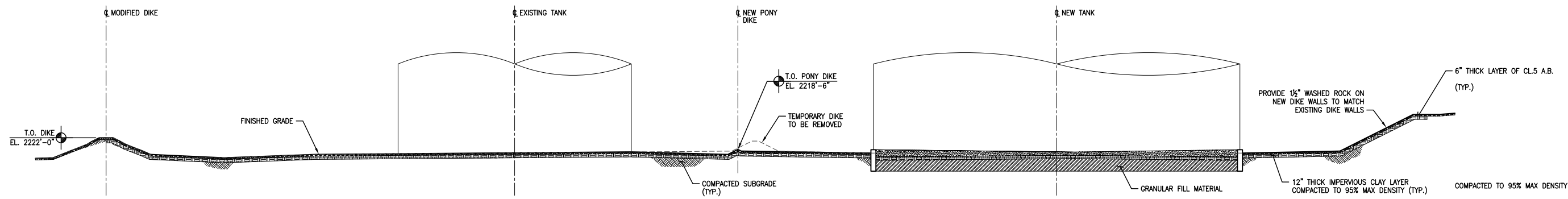
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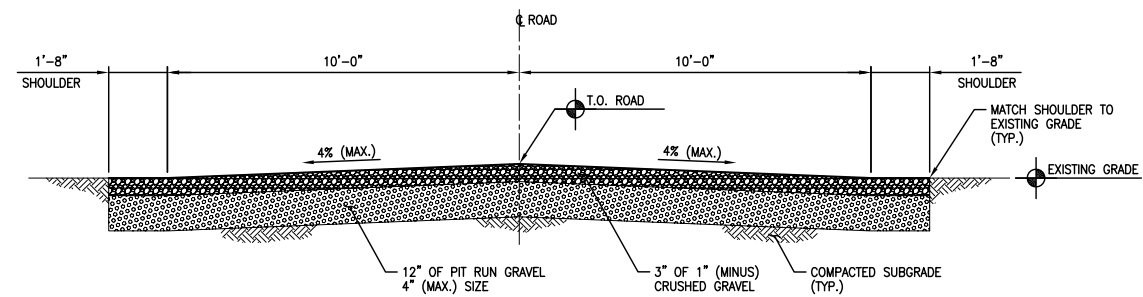
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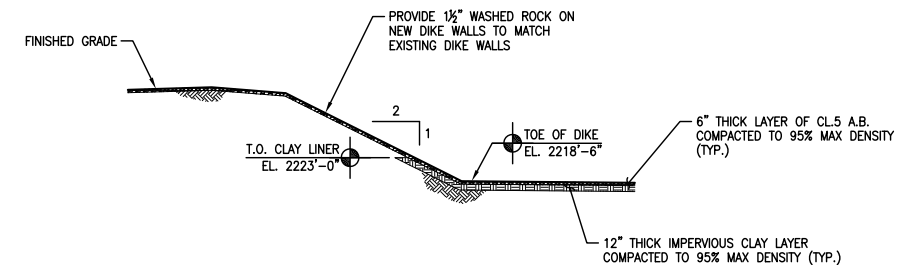
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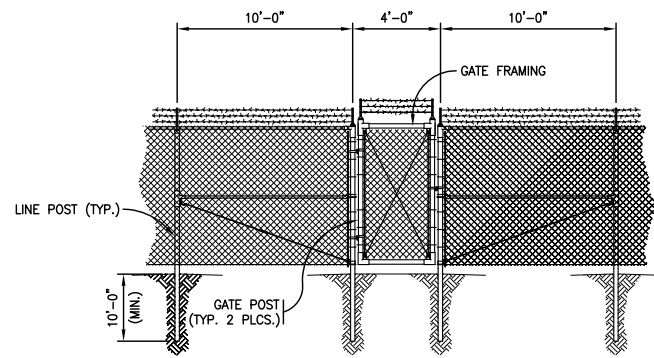
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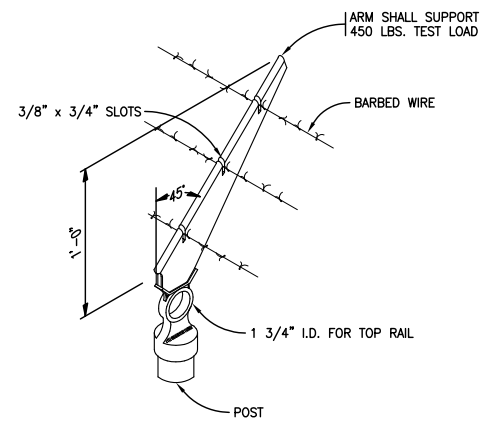
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**PERSONNEL GATE – ELEVATION VIEW**  
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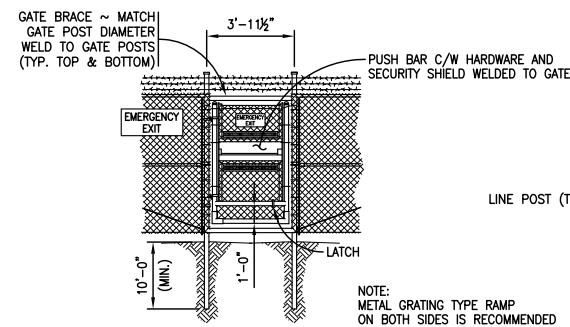


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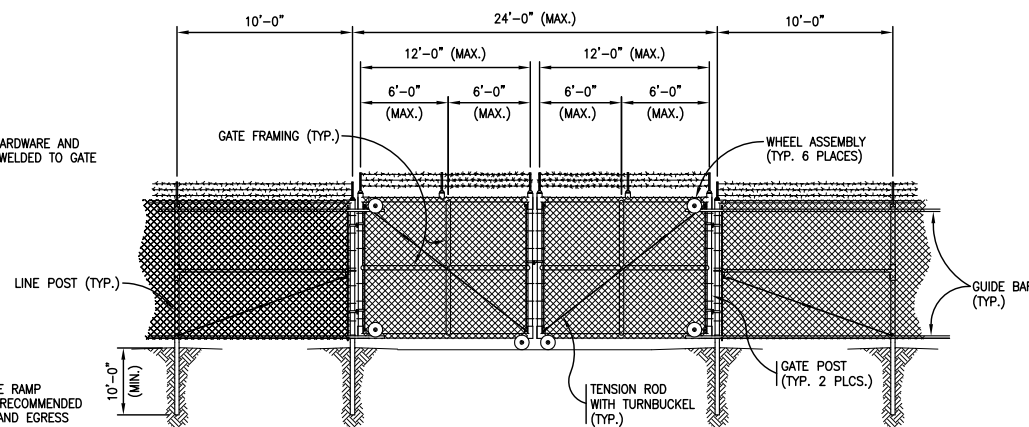
**SECURITY FENCE NOTES**

- Fabric shall be 9 gauge 2 inch mesh galvanized wire chain link fencing 8 ft. high with twisting and barbs on both salvages. Tensile strength of fabric shall be 80,000 PSI.
- Barbed wire shall consist of three 12 1/2 gauge stranded lines wires with a galvanized coating of at least 0.30 ounces per square foot of wire surface and 14 gauge galvanized barbs in a 4 point pattern on 5 inch centers.
- Bottom tension wire shall be a minimum of 7 gauge steel with a galvanized coating of at least 0.40 ounces per square foot of wire surface. Tension wire is to be attached to the fabric using 11 gauge galvanized tie rings at 2'-0" intervals.
- Top rail shall pass through intermediate post tops and form a continuous brace within each stretch of fence and be securely fastened to terminal posts.
- Post braces shall be provided for each gate, corner, pull and terminal posts. Brace shall be of the same material as the top rail and trussed to line posts with 3/8" rods and adjustable tighteners.
- Fabric shall be connected to line posts with 6 gauge wire clips every 14"; to top rail with 9 gauge wires every 24"; to terminal, corner and gate posts by integrally weaving into the post or by using 1/4" x 3/4" tension bars tied to the post every 14" with tension bands and 3/8" bolts and nuts; to tension wire with 11 gauge tie rings every 24".
- Post tops shall fit over the outside and exclude moisture from tubular posts. Line posts tops shall be combination tops and barbed wire supporting arms. Ornamental tops shall be used on terminal corner and gate posts.
- Gate frames shall be 1.90" O.D. pipe connected with fittings and riveted at each corner. Each frame shall have 3/8" adjustable truss rods. Gates shall have positive type latching devices with provisions for padlocking.
- Posts, gate frames, braces, rails, stretcher bars and truss rods shall be made of steel. reinforcing wires shall be of high carbon steel. Gate hinges, post caps, barbed wire supporting arms, stretcher bar bands and other parts shall be of steel, malleable iron, ductile iron or equal, except that tie clips may be of aluminum. All steel and iron shall be zinc coated after fabrication with a zinc coating of 2.0 ounces per square foot of surface area.
- Line posts shall be evenly spaced 10'-0" or less apart.
- Dimensions:

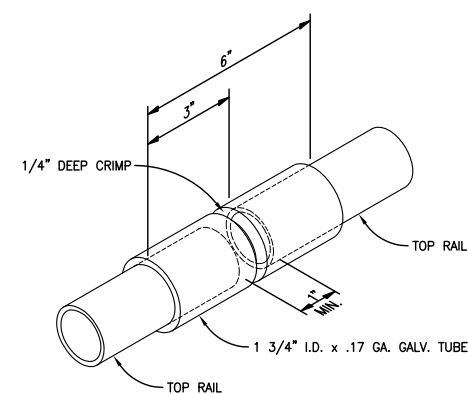
DESCRIPTION	MEMBER DIAMETER
TERMINAL POSTS	2 7/8"
LINE POSTS	2 3/8"
TOP AND BRACE RAILS	1.66"
GATE FRAMING	1.90"
GATE POSTS:	
GATE WIDTH UNDER 6'-0"	2 7/8"
GATE WIDTH 6'-0" TO 13'-0"	4"
GATE WIDTH 13'-0" TO 15'-0"	6 5/8"



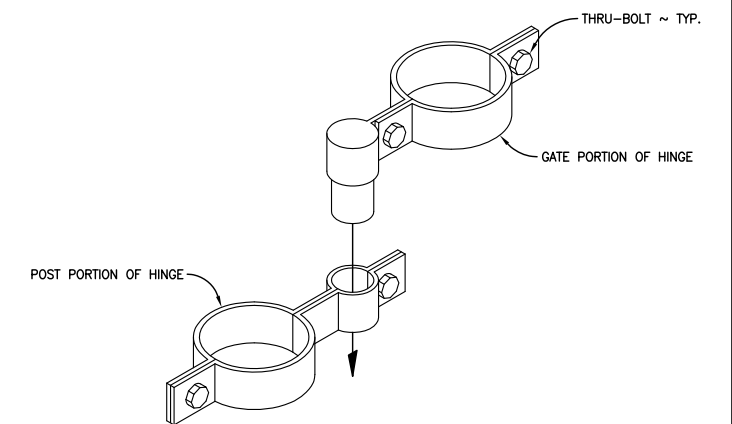
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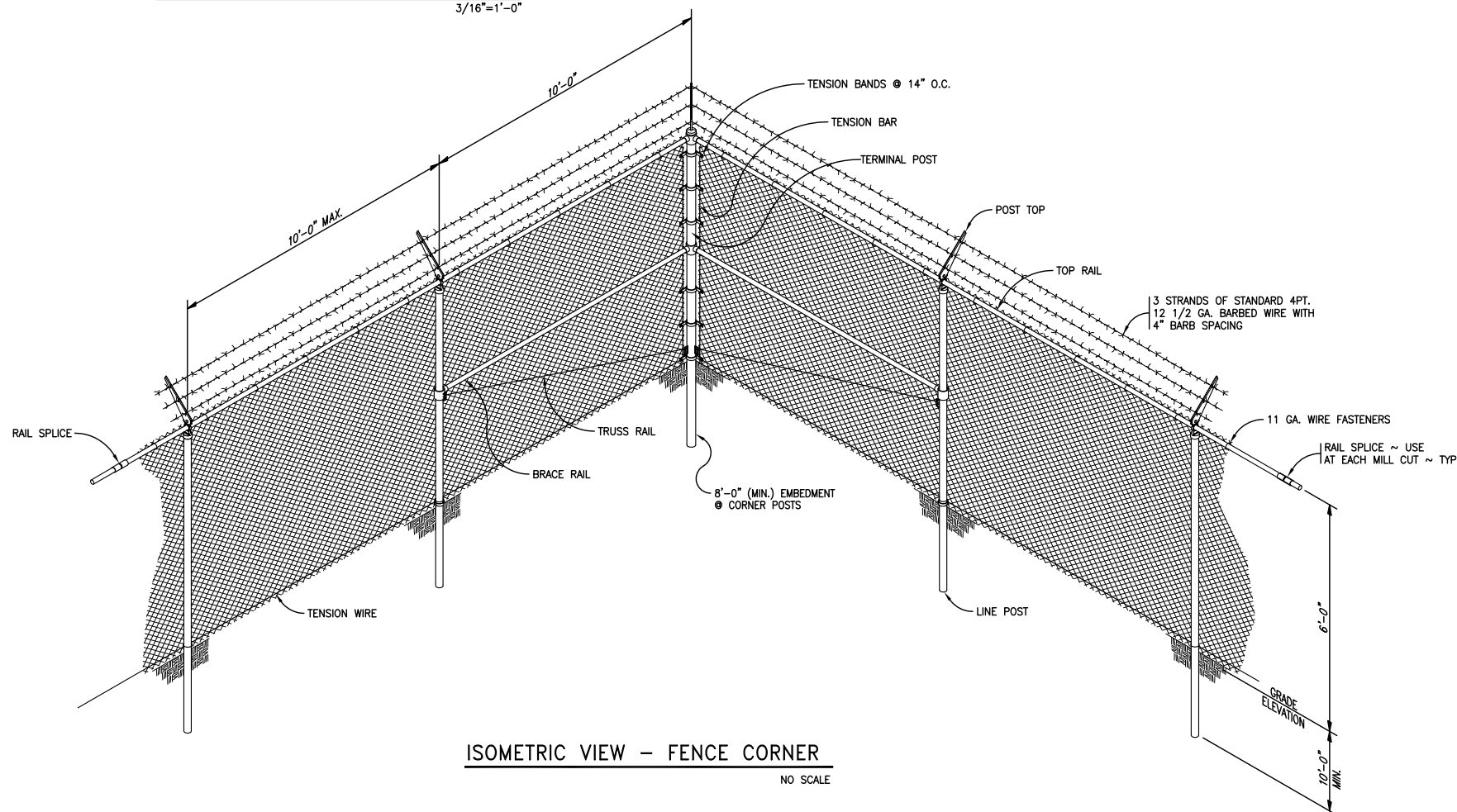
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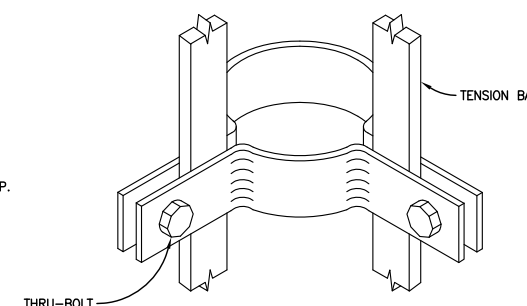
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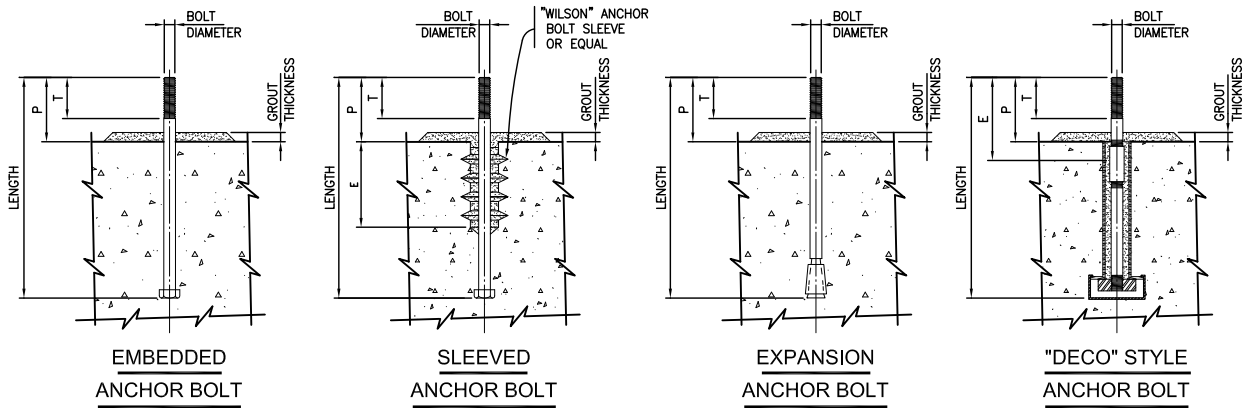
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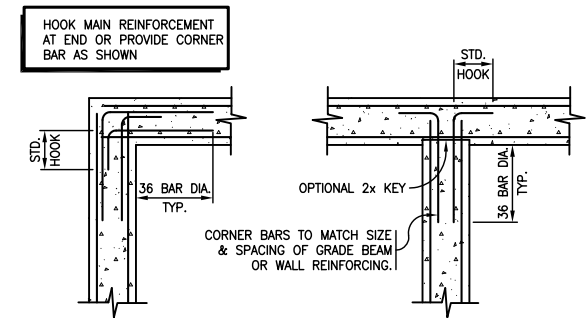
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EMBEDDED ANCHOR BOLT      SLEEVED ANCHOR BOLT      EXPANSION ANCHOR BOLT      "DECO" STYLE ANCHOR BOLT

ANCHOR BOLT SCHEDULE									
MARK NUMBER	STYLE	BOLT DIAMETER	LENGTH	PROJECTION P	THREAD T	E	GROUT THICKNESS	EQUIPMENT LOCATION	COMMENTS
AB-1	EPOXY GROUTED	1/2"	6"	2"	2"	-	1"	ACCESS PLATFORM	

- NOTES:**
- EMBEDDED & SLEEVED ANCHOR BOLTS SHALL BE GRADE ASTM A325 (U.N.O.).
  - EXPANSION ANCHOR BOLTS SHALL BE "HILTI" KWIK BOLT OR EQUAL.
  - "DECO" STYLE ANCHOR BOLTS SHALL BE HEAVY DUTY ANCHORS AS MANUFACTURED BY "DECO MANUFACTURING COMPANY" OR AN APPROVED EQUAL.
  - ALL ANCHOR BOLTS SHALL BE FURNISHED WITH (1) FLAT WASHER & (1) HEX NUT.
  - EPOXY GROUT SHALL BE SIMPSON SET TYPE.



TYPICAL CORNER BAR REINFORCING  
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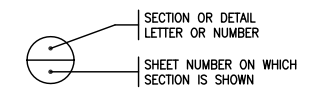
**GENERAL NOTES**

- GENERAL:**
  - Code: 2003 International Building Code (IBC).
  - Seismic Load: Design Category C, Site Class = D, Maximum 0.2 Acceleration = 0.10g, Maximum 1.0 sec Acceleration = 0.02g, Importance Factor = 1.0.
  - Wind Load: Basic Wind Speed = 90 mph, Exposure C, Importance Factor = 1.0.
  - Ground Snow Load = 36 psf.
  - These plans do not include the necessary components for the safety of the building or equipment during construction. The contractor is responsible for all work relating to construction, erection methods, bracing, shoring, rigging guys, scaffolding, formwork and other work aids required to safely perform the work shown.
  - Typical Details as shown on the drawings are intended to be typical and shall apply to all similar situations occurring on the project, whether or not they are keyed in each location.
  - Visits to the job site by the engineer or engineers consultant to observe the construction do not in any way mean that they are guarantors of the contractors work, nor responsible for coordination, supervision, nor safety at the job site.
- SOIL DATA USED IN DESIGN:**
  - Allowable soil bearing pressure.....4000psf for foundations bearing on native granular soils.
  - Foundation design based on the criteria set forth in geotechnical report #06-72 prepared by Zeltinger Geotechnical Engineering dated July 29, 2006.
  - ACI Building Code (318-02) Part II, Chapter 3 shall be complied with in reference to the specific materials and procedures required.
- EXCAVATION AND BACKFILL:**
  - Entire area around each foundation must be thoroughly probed for underground pipe, conduit, high pressure lines, etc., before any excavation is begun.
  - All structural backfill shall be placed under the direction of Companies representative.
  - The Company representative shall inspect the open excavation to verify the bearing material, approve compaction & perform compaction tests.
  - Backfill material shall be thoroughly compacted at optimum moisture content as required by the Geotechnical Report.
  - The foundation bearing surfaces are to be kept dry and stable until the structures are complete and ready for backfilling.
- CONCRETE:**
  - Design and construction shall be in accordance with ACI Building Code (ACI 318-02) & STD, specification (ACI 301-99).
  - Cement shall be Type 1/II or Type 1/IIA Portland cement conforming to ASTM C150, latest edition.
  - Concrete shall develop the following compressive strength within 28 days (f'c) unless otherwise noted:.....4000 psi. Water Cement ratio ≤ 0.50
  - All concrete shall be stone aggregate, unless noted otherwise.
  - All concrete shall be moist cured for minimum of 7 days or cured by use of an approved membrane compound.
  - All exposed concrete edges (including the tops of drilled piers) shall have 3/4" chamfer. Chamfer shall extend 6" below finished grade on vertical edges.
  - In foundation grade beams and walls, all construction joints shall be keyed. Maximum length of pour in walls & slabs without offsets shall be sixty (60) feet. After pouring footings, wait minimum four hours before placing concrete grade beams or piers.
  - Use air-entrained concrete of 5-7% air by volume.
  - Wall shall be formed using a foundation forming system. Pouring foundation wall directly against earth will not be permitted.
- REINFORCEMENT:**
  - Design, detailing, fabrication and placement shall be in accordance with ACI Codes and Manuals, ACI 318-02.
  - Steel reinforcement shall be new, deformed billet steel, meeting ASTM Standard A615-(latest revision). All rebar shall be Grade 60, unless noted otherwise. Shop drawings shall be marked accordingly.
  - Reinforcement in all grade beams shall be continuous around corners or corner bars provided.
  - All rebar splices shall conform to the values shown unless otherwise noted:

Bar Size	#4	#5	#6	#7	#8	#9	#10	#11
Top Bar	2'-0"	2'-6"	3'-0"	3'-8"	4'-9"	6'-0"	7'-8"	9'-6"
Other Bars	1'-7"	1'-11"	2'-4"	2'-9"	3'-6"	4'-8"	5'-10"	7'-2"

Increase lap lengths shown above by 25% where bars are spaced closer than 6" O.C. or less than 3" from face of member to edge of bar.
  - Provide a minimum of 2-5# bars around openings, extend 2'-0" beyond the opening.
  - Provide concrete protection for reinforcement as follows:
    - Concrete poured against earth.....3"
    - Concrete poured in forms but exposed to ground or weather:
      - Bars larger than #5.....4"
      - Bars #5 or smaller.....1-1/2"
  - Provide galvanized or plastic-footed accessories for all concrete surface exposed to weather or view.
  - Reinforcing steel for slabs on grade shall be adequately supported on pre-manufactured units to keep the reinforcing properly positioned. Lifting of the reinforcing during concrete placement shall not be permitted.
  - Tack welding or welding of reinforcing shall not be permitted. All reinforcing shall be cold bent and securely tied in place.
- STRUCTURAL STEEL:**
  - Design, fabrication and construction shall be in accordance with the latest AISC Specifications.
  - All structural steel shall conform to ASTM Serial Designation A36.
  - All steel bar grating and steel handrail shall be hot dipped galvanized. All structural steel shall be shop prime coated and have a field applied finish coating.
  - All welding or gas cutting shall be in accordance with the current standards of the American Welding Society. All welding shall be performed by certified welders qualified by the American Welding Society Standard Qualification Procedure.
  - All welding shall be performed using E60XX welding rod.
  - MINIMUM WELDS: AISC specification, not less than 3/16" fillet, continuous unless otherwise noted.
  - All structural bolted connections shall be bolted with minimum 3/4" dia. ASTM A325 high - strength bolts unless otherwise specified. Two grades of bolts shall not be used for the same diameter size.
  - All anchor bolts shall conform to ASTM A325, unless noted otherwise. All anchor bolts shall have double nuts or upset threads.
- GROUT:**
  - All grout products shall be by Five Star Products, Inc. or an approved equal with identical properties.
  - All grout storage, preparation, and installation shall be in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations.
  - All cementitious grouts shall be nonshrink in accordance with ASTM C827 and contain no expansive cements or metallic powders or fillings.
  - All epoxy-based grouts shall be nonshrink in accordance with ASTM C827 (Modified).
  - Grout Selection Requirements:
    - Steel column or post bases.....Cement grout (Drypack)
    - Vessels bases.....Cement grout (pump or flow)
    - Static equipment skid.....Cement grout (pump or flow)
    - Pump skids.....Epoxy grout (pump or flow)

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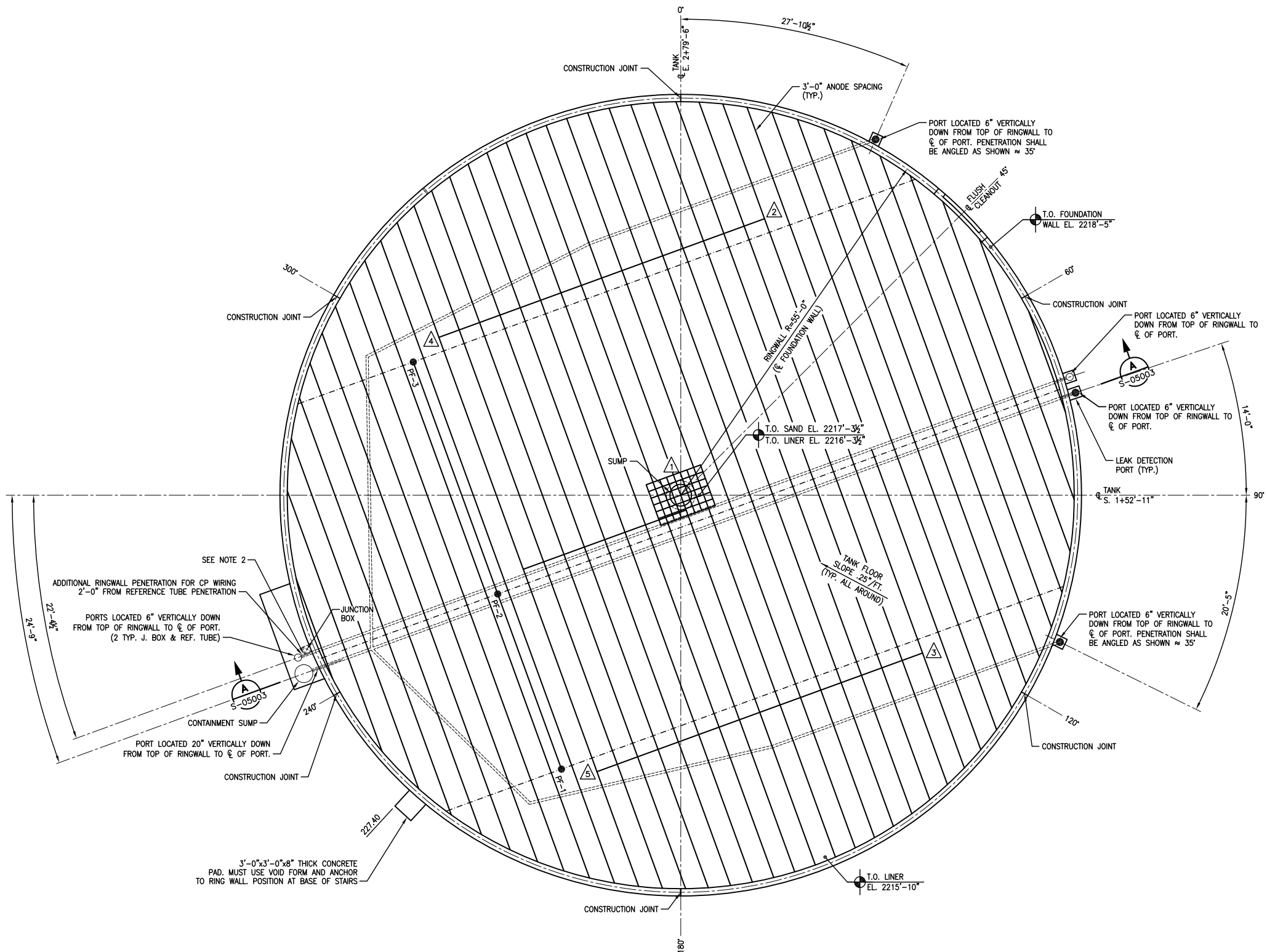
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GENERAL NOTES, TYPICAL DETAILS AND ANCHOR BOLT SCHEDULE

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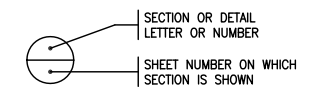


**TANK FOUNDATION PLAN**  
SCALE: 1/8" = 1'-0"

- NOTES:**
- ELEVATION NOTED AS:  $\text{XXXX}-\text{X}''$  ON PLANS AND SECTIONS.
  - CONTRACTOR MUST PROTECT LEAD WIRES FROM DAMAGE DURING CONSTRUCTION AND TEMPORARILY SECURE LEADS ADJACENT TO TANK ABOVE GRADE FOLLOWING INSTALLATION.
  - TOP OF CONCRETE RINGWALL SHALL BE LEVEL WITHIN 1/8" IN ANY 30' OF CIRCUMFERENCE AND WITHIN 1/4" IN THE TOTAL CIRCUMFERENCE MEASURED FROM THE AVERAGE ELEVATION.
  - IN FOUNDATION GRADE BEAMS AND WALLS ALL CONSTRUCTION JOINTS SHALL BE KEYS. MAXIMUM LENGTH OF POUR IN WALLS & SLABS WITHOUT OFFSETS SHALL BE SIXTY (60) FEET. AFTER POURING FOOTINGS, WAIT A MINIMUM OF FOUR HOURS BEFORE PLACING GRADE BEAMS OR PIERS.
  - CATHODIC PROTECTION PENETRATIONS SHALL BE GROUTED OR SEALED AFTER INSTALLATION OF CP SYSTEM, TOTAL OF (7) PENETRATIONS.

- LEGEND:**
- ANODE MATERIAL
  - CONDUCTOR BAR
  - .010 SLOTTED PIPE
  - PF-X POWER FEED
  - △ ZINC REF. CELL
  - LEAK DETECTION PORT
  - REFERENCE TUBE PORT
  - ⊠ JUNCTION BOX

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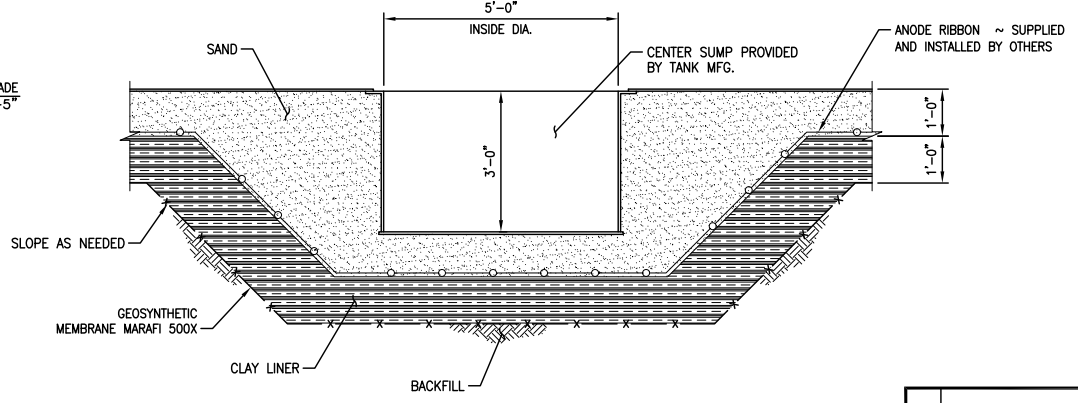
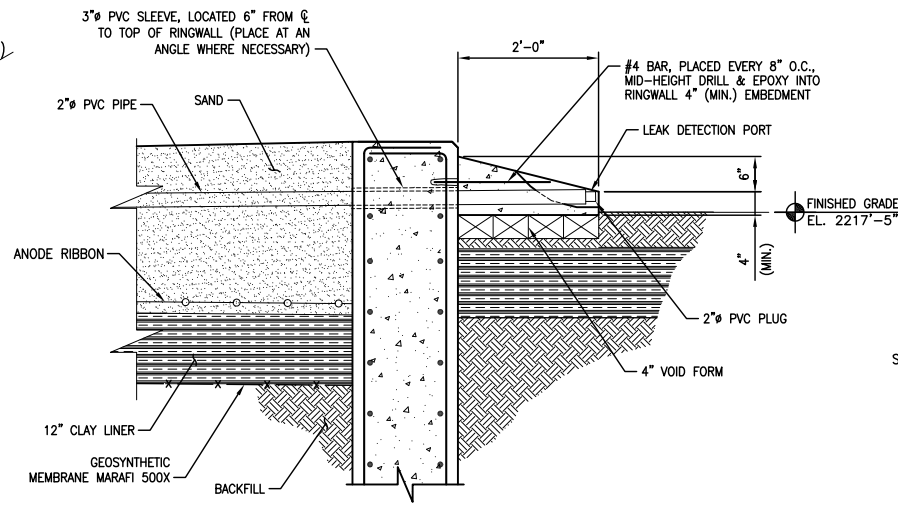
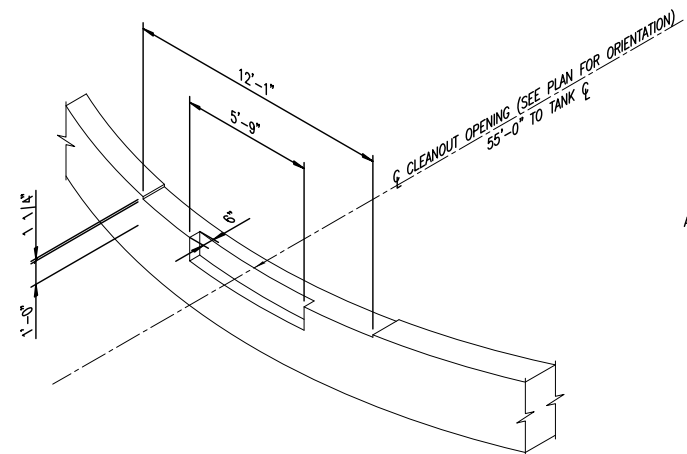
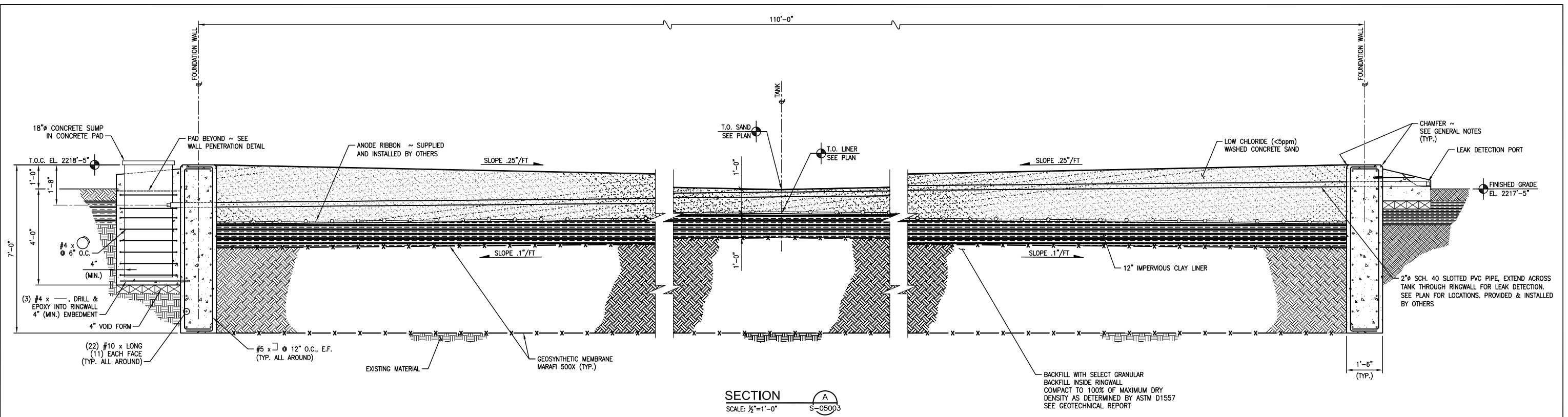
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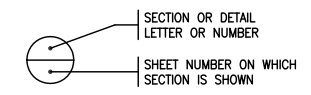
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- NOTES:**
1. CONCRETE PAD CONTAINING CATHODIC PROTECTION SUMP SHALL BE 4'-0" WIDE x 6'-0" LONG x 1'-0" DEEP.
  2. CATHODIC SUMP SHALL BE MADE OF STEEL OR CONCRETE.
  3. WEIGHT OF STEEL CENTER SUMP FOR TANK - 2060lbs.
  4. CONCRETE PENETRATION PADS - (4) SHALL BE 2'-0" WIDE x 2'-0" LONG x 0'-4" TALL AT SHALLOW END.
  5. CATHODIC PROTECTION CONCRETE PAD SHALL CONTAIN (3) PENETRATIONS:  
(2) - 6" DOWN FROM TOP OF RINGWALL.  
(1) - 20" DOWN FROM TOP OF RINGWALL ENTERING CATHODIC SUMP.

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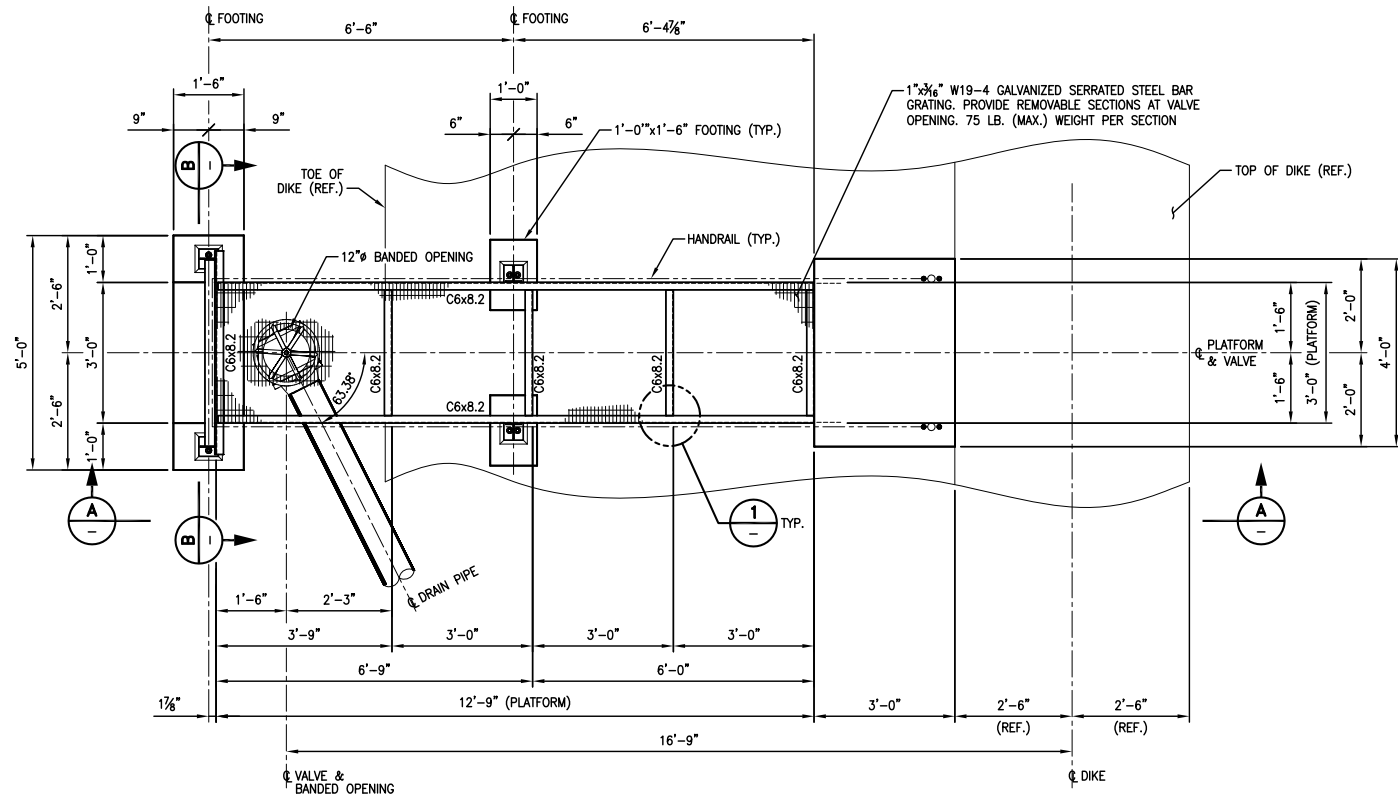
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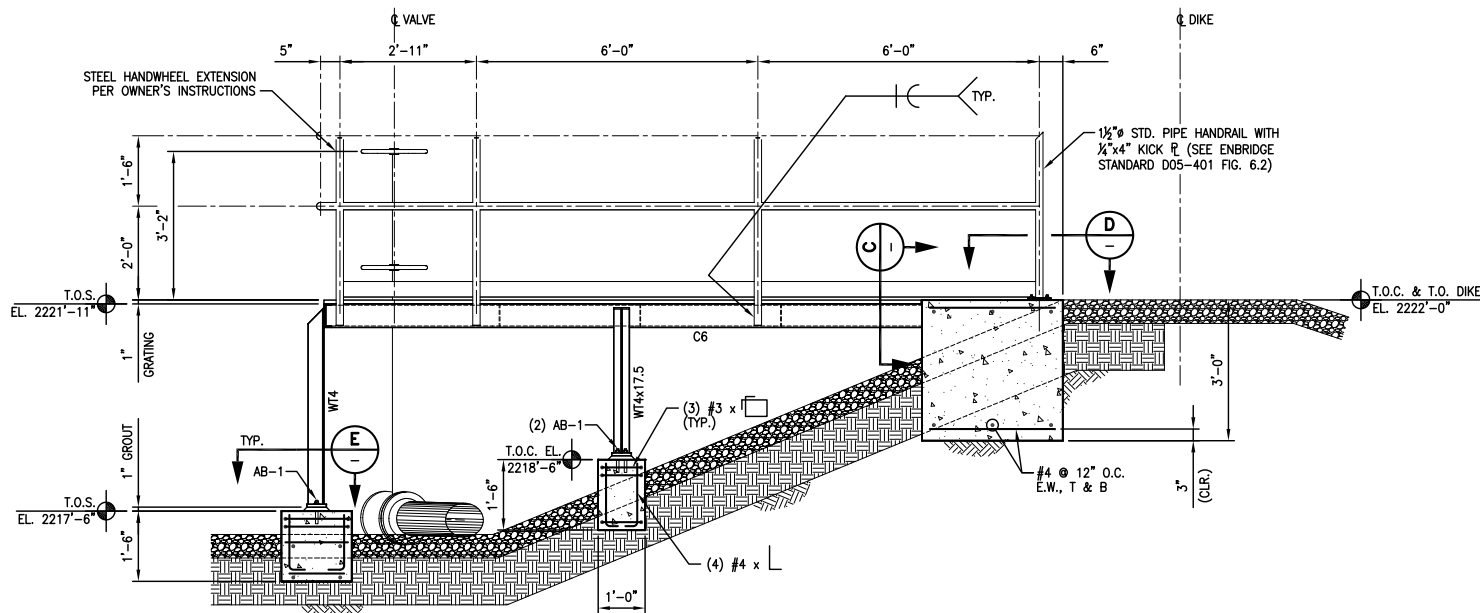
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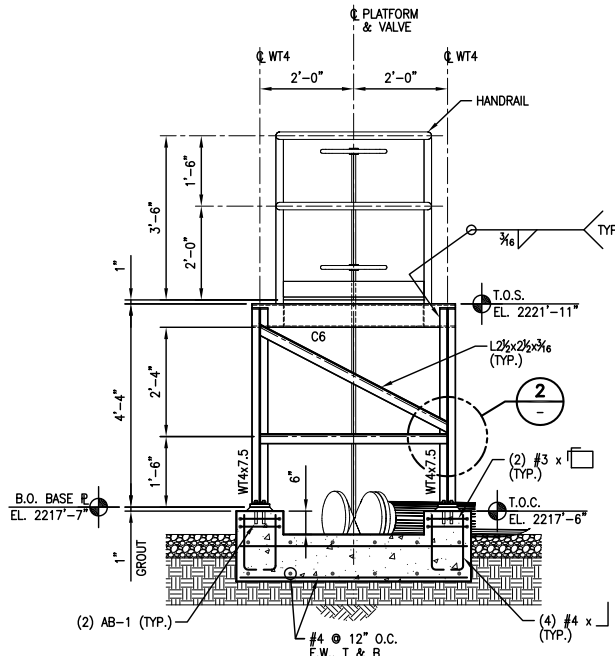
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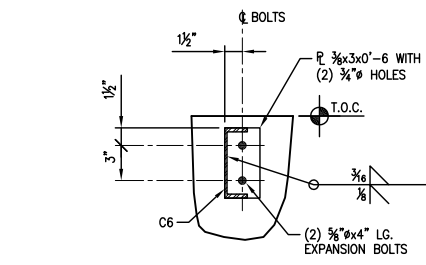
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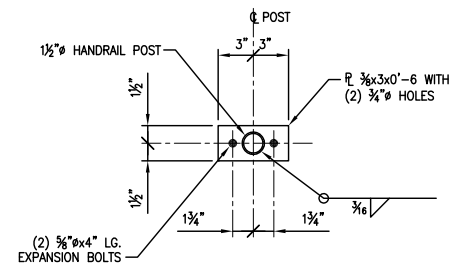
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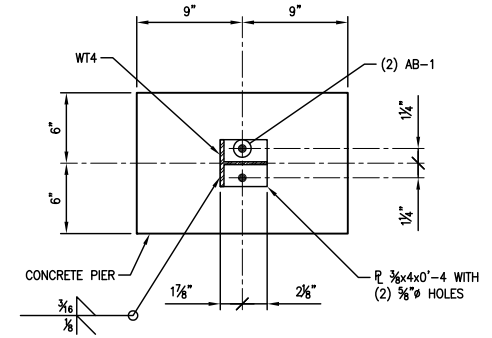
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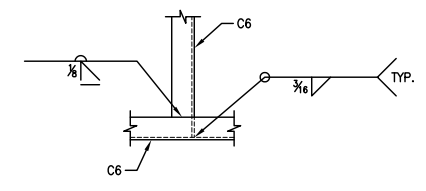
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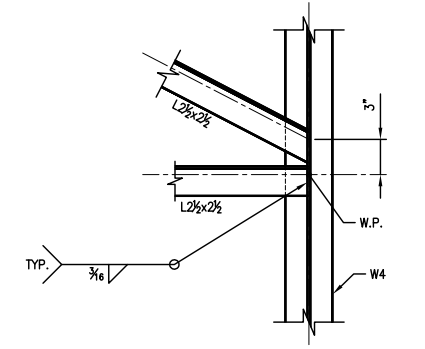
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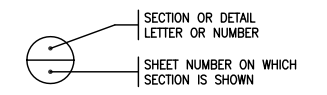
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  - ANCHOR BOLTS NOTED THUS: AB-X ON PLAN, SEE DRAWING 609-S-05001 FOR ANCHOR BOLT DETAILS & SCHEDULE.
  - ATTACH GRATING TO STRUCTURE WITH GALVANIZED SADDLE CLIPS.

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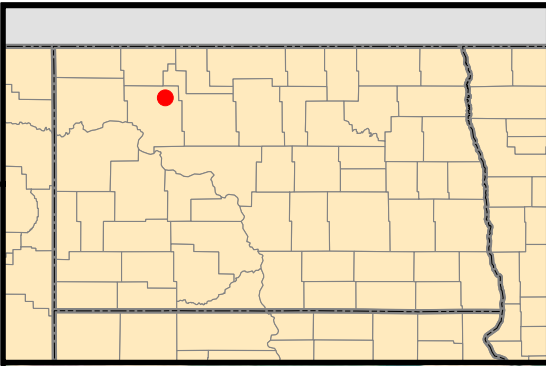
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


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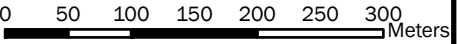
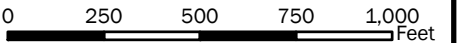
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 54E Wabek loam, 1 to 35 percent slopes

-  ENBRIDGE PROPERTY BOUNDARY
-  SSURGO SOILS DATA
-  NEW TANK FACILITY

1 INCH = 500 FT  
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# Physical Soil Properties

Mountrail County, North Dakota

Map symbol and soil name	Depth	Sand	Silt	Clay	Moist bulk density	Saturated hydraulic conductivity	Available water capacity	Linear extensibility	Organic matter	Erosion factors			Wind erodibility group	Wind erodibility index
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	20-60	---	---	20-35	1.30-1.50	1.00-10.00	0.14-0.19	0.0-5.9	0.0-0.5	.37	.37			
Williams	0-6	---	---	15-27	1.00-1.40	1.00-100.00	0.18-0.20	0.0-2.9	2.5-5.0	.28	.28	5	6	48
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Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan

**Stormwater General Permit NDR10-000**

Permit No.: NDR10-0000

Effective Date: October 11, 2004

Expiration Date: September 30, 2009

AUTHORIZATION TO DISCHARGE UNDER THE  
NORTH DAKOTA POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM

In compliance with Chapter 33-16-01 of the North Dakota Department of Health rules as promulgated under Chapter 61-28 (North Dakota Water Pollution Control Act) of the North Dakota Century Code,

facilities both qualifying for and satisfying the requirements identified in Part I of this permit are authorized to discharge storm water associated with **CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY** to waters of the state

in accordance with effluent limitations, monitoring requirements, and other conditions set forth in this permit.

This permit and the authorization to discharge shall expire at midnight,

September 30, 2009.

/signed/

Dennis R. Fewless, Director  
Division of Water Quality

October 8, 2004  
Date

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## **PART I - PERMIT COVERAGE AND LIMITATIONS**

### **A. Discharges Covered**

1. This permit applies to all areas within the jurisdiction of the state of North Dakota.
2. This permit applies to storm water discharges associated with large construction activity and with small construction activity as defined in 40 C.F.R. part 122.26(b)(14)(x) and (b)(15), respectively.
  - a. Large construction activity includes clearing, grading and excavation, that disturbs land of equal to or greater than five (5) acres and includes the disturbance of less than five (5) acres of total land area that is a part of a larger common plan of development or sale if the larger common plan will ultimately disturb five (5) acres or more.
  - b. Small construction activity includes clearing, grading and excavation, that disturbs land of equal to or greater than one (1) acre, and includes the disturbance of less than one (1) acre of total land area that is part of a larger common plan of development or sale if the larger common plan will ultimately disturb equal to or greater than one and less than five (5) acres.
3. Storm water discharges from support activities (e.g., concrete or asphalt batch plants, equipment staging yards, material storage areas, excavated material disposal areas, borrow areas) may be covered by this permit as part of a related construction site.
4. Certain non-storm water discharges from facilities covered by this permit and meeting the requirements specified in Part II.A.

### **B. Discharges Not Covered**

1. Storm water discharges associated with industrial activity from any source other than construction activities described in Part I.A.
2. Post-construction discharges from industrial activity that originate from the site after construction activities have been completed and final stabilization at the site is achieved. Industrial and post-construction storm water discharges may need to be covered by a separate storm water permit.
3. The placement of fill into waters of the state requiring local, state, or federal authorizations (such as U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Section 404 permits).
4. This permit does not substitute for obligations under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), Endangered Species Act (ESA), or National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA), it is your responsibility to ensure the project and resulting discharges comply with the respective requirements.
5. Discharges to waters for which there is a total maximum daily load (TMDL) allocation for sediment and/or parameters associated with sediment transport are not covered unless you develop a SWPP plan that is consistent with the assumptions, allocations and requirements in the approved TMDL. If a specific numeric wasteload allocation has been established that would apply to the project's discharges, the permittee(s) must incorporate that allocation into its SWPP plan and implement necessary steps to meet that allocation.
6. Storm water discharges that the Department determines will cause, or have the reasonable potential to cause or contribute to, violations of water quality standards.

### C. Obtaining Coverage and Authorization Effective Date

1. To obtain authorization under this general permit for storm water discharges you must submit a complete application and develop a Storm Water Pollution Prevention (SWPP) plan in accordance with Part II.C of this permit. A plan must be in place as a condition of this permit and a copy of the plan must be retained by the operator of the facility. A copy of the plan must be submitted with the application for certain facilities as described in Part I.D.
2. Permit coverage will become effective 7 days after you submit a complete application unless otherwise notified by the Department (based on the earlier of postmarked date or department date-stamp).
3. Upon the effective date of permit coverage you, as the permit applicant, are authorized to discharge storm water from eligible activities under the terms and conditions of this permit.

### D. Application Contents

1. You may use a Notice of Intent (NOI) form for Construction Activity (or photo copy thereof) to complete your application. The NOI form (or a replacement application form) will be available on the state's website at <http://www.health.state.nd.us/wq/Storm>.

#### 2. Large Construction Activity Coverage

Large construction activity involves land disturbance of equal to or greater than 5 acres. Large construction activity also includes the disturbance of less than 5 acres of total land area that is part of a larger common plan of development or sale, if the larger common plan will ultimately disturb equal to or greater than 5 acres.

- a. The owner or the owner jointly with the operator (usually the general contractor) shall submit a completed application for this permit. The owner is responsible for compliance with all terms and conditions of this permit. The operator has day to day supervision of construction activities and is jointly responsible with the owner for compliance with the permit conditions as they pertain to the construction activities delegated to the operator.
- b. The application for large construction activity shall contain, at a minimum, the following information:
  - (1) Owner name, mailing address and phone number;
  - (2) Project contact name and phone number;
  - (3) Project/site name;
  - (4) Project/site location (street address; section, township, range; or latitude and longitude), county;
  - (5) A brief description of the construction activity;
  - (6) The anticipated starting date and the anticipated completion date for the project;
  - (7) The estimated total area of disturbance in acres;
  - (8) Name of receiving water(s) or the name of the municipal storm sewer system and receiving water(s);
  - (9) List of contractors/subcontractors working at the site (if known);
  - (10) The signature of the applicant(s), owner (and operator if co-applicants) signed in accordance with Part IV.E of this permit.

- c. A storm water pollution prevention plan (Part II.C) for the project must be prepared and available for review by the Department at the time of application. A partially complete plan is acceptable when it clearly identifies the item(s) to be completed, the person(s) responsible for completing the item(s) and the deadline for completing the item(s). The SWPP plan must be completed prior to the start of construction.
- d. You must include a copy of the Storm Water Pollution Prevention (SWPP) plan if the project involves 50 or more acres; or the project will have a discharge point located within 2000 ft of, and flow to, a water body listed as impaired under section 303(d) of the Federal CWA due to sediment or parameters associated with sediment transport (see 303(d) List on Department's web site).

### 3. Small Construction Activity Coverage

Small construction activity involves land disturbance of equal to or greater than one acre and less than five acres. Small construction activity also includes the disturbance of less than one acre of total land area that is part of a larger common plan of development or sale, if the larger common plan will ultimately disturb equal to or greater than one and less than five acres.

- a. An operator must submit one single NOI form to the Department to obtain coverage for storm water discharges from all of their small construction sites. An operator is the individual who has day to day supervision and control of activities occurring at the construction sites and is responsible for compliance with all terms and conditions of this permit. This can be the owner, developer, the general contractor or, in some circumstances, the agent of one of these parties.
- b. The application for small construction activity shall contain, at a minimum, the following information:
  - (1) Name and mailing address of the owner or operator;
  - (2) Contact name and phone number;
  - (3) A brief description of the construction activity type;
  - (4) The signature of the applicant(s), signed in accordance with Part IV.E of this permit.
- c. The application for small construction activity shall be submitted to the Department prior to the start of construction. The operator is responsible for implementing a storm water pollution prevention plan (Part II.C) for all their small construction sites. The operator shall provide a copy of the SWPP plan to the Department upon request.
- d. Operators of small construction activity shall maintain an up-to-date record of site locations they operate. Operators are required to submit an Annual Location Record (see Part III.D) to the Department by January 31.

- 4. Completed applications, and any reports required by this permit shall be submitted, by mail or hand delivery, to:

North Dakota Department of Health  
Division of Water Quality  
1200 Missouri Avenue  
PO Box 5520  
Bismarck, ND 58506-5520

- 5. Local Authority. This permit does not preempt or supersede the authority of local agencies to prohibit, restrict, or control discharges of storm water to storm sewer systems or other water courses within their jurisdiction.

**E. Notice of Termination (NOT)**

1. Permittees wishing to terminate coverage under this permit must submit a Notice of Termination (NOT) or other written request identifying the facility, reason why the permit is no longer needed and signed in accordance with Part IV-E of this permit. Compliance with the conditions of this permit is required until a NOT is submitted.
2. Permittees may only submit a NOT after one of the following conditions have been met.
  - a. Final stabilization (see Part II.E and definitions) has been achieved on all portions of the site for which the permittee is responsible.
  - b. Another operator/permittee has assumed control, in accordance with the Transfer provisions (Part IV.M), over all areas of the site that have not been finally stabilized.
  - c. For residential construction only, temporary erosion protection and down gradient perimeter control for individual lots has been completed and the residence has been transferred to the homeowner. Additionally, the Permittee must distribute a "homeowner factsheet" to the homeowner to inform the homeowner of the need for, and benefits of, final stabilization.
3. Operators of small construction activity are not required to submit NOTs for their individual small construction sites, however, final stabilization is required on all sites. If an operator ceases all of its small construction activity and wishes to terminate coverage under the permit, an NOT must be submitted along with the Annual Location Record (see Part III.B) that certifies final stabilization has been completed on its small construction sites.

**F. Transfer of Ownership or Control**

1. When the owner or operator of a construction project changes, the new owner or operator must submit a written request for permit transfer/modification within 7 days of assuming control of the site or commencing work on-site, or of the legal transfer, sale or closing on the property. Late submittals will not be rejected; however, the department reserves the right to take enforcement for any unpermitted discharges or permit noncompliance. For storm water discharges from construction activities where the owner or operator changes, the new owner or operator can implement the original SWPP plan created for the project or develop and implement their own SWPP plan. Permittee(s) shall ensure either directly or through coordination with other operators that their SWPPP meets all terms and conditions of this permit and that their activities do not interfere with another party's erosion and sediment control practices.
2. For the transfer of properties in a development (e.g., an original developer sells portions of the property to various homebuilders) the new owner(s) must obtain permit coverage for the property by one of the following methods.
  - a. If the new owner or operator has existing permit coverage for small construction, the new operator can begin activities on individual lots or tracts of less than 5 acres under the provisions for small construction. The new operator must comply with the permit conditions and enter the site on the location record within 7 days of the transfer.
  - b. If the new owner does not have applicable permit coverage or the tract consists of 5 or more acres, a new application must be filed by the new owner or operator within 7 days of the transfer.

## **PART II – STORM WATER DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS**

### **A. Prohibition of Non-Storm Water Discharges**

The discharge of wastewater from processing operations or sanitary facilities is not authorized by this permit. The following non-storm water discharges may be authorized if the non-storm water sources are identified in the SWPP plan with a description of the pollution prevention measures to be implemented: fire-fighting, fire hydrant flushing, potable water line flushing, infrequent building and equipment wash down without detergents, uncontaminated foundation drains, springs, lawn watering and air conditioning condensate.

### **B. Releases in Excess of Reportable Quantities**

This permit does not relieve the permittee of the reporting requirements of 40 CFR 110, 40 CFR 117, and 40 CFR 302. Any release of a hazardous substance, including a release in a storm water discharge, must be reported to the agencies identified in Part IV.F. The discharge of hazardous substances in storm water discharges shall be minimized in accordance with the applicable SWPP Plan for the facility. Should a reportable quantity release occur, the SWPP Plan shall be revised to prevent the recurrence of such a release.

### **C. Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plans**

All facilities covered by this permit shall prepare and implement Storm Water Pollution Prevention (SWPP) Plans prior to beginning any construction requiring this permit. The SWPP plan and revisions are subject to review by the Department. The objectives of the plan are to identify potential sources of sediment or other pollution from construction activity and to ensure practices are used to reduce the contribution of pollutants from construction site runoff. Storm water management measures developed under other regulatory programs can be included in the SWPP plan or incorporated by reference.

The SWPP plan must incorporate the guidelines provided in Appendix 1, to the extent practicable, and shall include the following information.

1. **Site Description.** Each plan shall provide a description of the construction site and potential pollutant sources as indicated below:
  - a. A description of the overall project and the type of construction activity;
  - b. Estimates of the total area of the site and the total area that is expected to be disturbed by excavation, grading, grubbing, or other activities during the life of the project;
  - c. A proposed timetable of activities that disturb soils for major portions of the site;
  - d. A description of the soil within the disturbed area(s);
  - e. The name of the surface water(s) or municipal storm sewer systems at or near the disturbed area that may receive discharges from the project site; and

- f. A site map indicating:
  - (1) Drainage patterns including flow direction, dividing lines, and the existing and final grades
  - (2) Construction site boundaries and areas of soil disturbance;
  - (3) Location of major structural and nonstructural controls identified in the plan;
  - (4) Location of areas where stabilization practices are expected to occur;
  - (5) Surface waters, including an aerial extent of wetland acreage;
  - (6) Locations where storm water is discharged to surface water;
  - (7) Where included as part of the project, the site maps for offsite concrete/asphalt batch plants, equipment staging areas, borrow sites or excavated fill material disposal.
2. **Operational Controls.** The plan shall describe the Best Management Practices (BMPs) used in day to day operations on the project site that reduce the contribution of pollutants in storm water runoff.
  - a. Good housekeeping practices to maintain a clean and orderly facility. Litter, debris, chemicals and parts must be handled properly to minimize the exposure to storm water. This includes measures to reduce and clean up vehicle tracking of sediment off-site and generation of dust.
  - b. Preventive maintenance practices must be followed. Routine inspections and maintenance are necessary to ensure the proper operation of storm water management devices (oil water separators, catch basins, and silt fences) as well as equipment used at a site.
  - c. Spill prevention and response procedures must be developed where potential spills can occur. Where appropriate, specific handling procedures, storage requirements, spill containment and cleanup procedures shall be identified.
  - d. Employee training informs personnel of their responsibility in implementing the practices and controls included in the plan such as spill response, good housekeeping, and sediment control practices.
3. **Erosion and Sediment Controls.** An erosion and sediment control plan shall be developed to identify the appropriate control measures and when they will be implemented during the project for each major phase of site activity. The erosion and sediment control plan must conform to the guidelines provided in Appendix 1. The basic elements for erosion and sediment controls are indicated below.
  - a. Sediment basins, or an appropriate combination of equivalent sediment controls such as smaller sediment basins, and/or sediment traps, silt fences, fiber logs, vegetative buffer strips, berms, etc., are required for all down slope boundaries of the disturbance area and for those side slope boundaries as may be appropriate for site conditions.
  - b. Temporary erosion protection (such as cover crop planting or mulching) or permanent cover must be provided for the exposed soil areas where activities have been completed or temporarily ceased. These areas include graded slopes, pond embankments, ditches, berms and soil stockpiles.
  - c. All control measures must be properly selected, installed, and maintained in accordance with the manufacturer's specifications and good engineering practices. If periodic inspections or other information indicates a control has been used inappropriately, or incorrectly, the permittee must replace or modify the control for site situations.

- d. If sediment escapes from the site, off-site accumulations of sediment must be removed in a manner and at a frequency sufficient to minimize off-site impacts. The plan must be modified to prevent further sediment deposition off-site.
4. **Storm Water Management.** The plan shall include a description of practices that will be installed during the construction process to control pollutants in storm water discharges occurring after construction operations have been completed. Such practices may include:
    - a. Storm water ponds; flow reduction by use of open vegetated swales and natural depressions; infiltration of runoff onsite; and sequential systems which combine several practices. The plan shall include an explanation of the technical basis used to select the practices to control pollution where flows exceed predevelopment levels.
    - b. Velocity dissipation devices shall be placed at discharge locations and along the length of any outfall channel to minimize erosion and protect the receiving water. Under this permit, permittees are responsible for the installation and maintenance of storm water management measures prior to final stabilization of the site and until the submittal of a NOT. However, post-construction storm water BMPs that discharge pollutants from point sources once construction is completed, may in themselves, need authorization under a separate permit.
  5. **Maintenance.** All erosion and sediment control measures and other protective measures identified in the plan must be maintained in effective operating condition. The plan must indicate, as appropriate, the maintenance or clean out interval for sediment controls. If site inspections, required in this permit, identify BMPs that are not operating effectively, maintenance shall be arranged and accomplished as soon as practicable.
  6. **Inspections.** The plan must provide for site inspections to monitor the condition of storm water discharge outlets and effectiveness of BMPs. The permittee shall ensure that personnel conducting site inspections are familiar with permit conditions and the proper installation and operation of control measures. Site inspections shall be conducted according to the schedule outlined in Part III.
  7. **Plan Review and Revisions.**
    - a. The plan shall be signed in accordance with the signatory requirements, Part IV-E, and retained on-site for the duration of activity at the permitted location.
    - b. The permittee shall make plans available upon request to the Department, EPA, or, in the case of discharges to a municipal separate storm sewer system, to the operator of the municipal system.
    - c. The permittee shall amend the SWPP plan whenever there is a change in design, construction, operation, or maintenance, which has a significant effect on the potential for the discharge of pollutants to the waters of the state. The plan shall also be amended if the plan is found to be ineffective in controlling pollutants present in storm water.

#### **D. Additional Terms and Conditions**

1. If any measurable quantity of sediment leaves the site because of structural failure or lack of design capacity of the BMPs, the sediment shall be placed back on the site or properly disposed of, as soon as conditions allow. Under no conditions shall the sediment be washed into the storm sewers or drainage ways.
2. Concrete wash water shall not be discharged to waters of the state, storm sewer systems or allowed to drain onto adjacent properties.
3. Bulk storage structures for petroleum products and other chemicals shall have adequate leak and spill protection to prevent any spilled materials from entering waters of the state.
4. The storm water controls are expected to withstand and function properly during precipitation events of up to the 2 year, 24 hour storm event. Visible or measurable erosion which leaves the construction site from such storm events should be minimal. The 2 year, 24 hour rainfall event in North Dakota ranges from about 1.9 inches in the west to 2.3 inches in the east.
5. Dewatering or basin draining (e.g., pumped discharges, trench/ditch cuts for drainage) related to the permitted activity must be managed with the appropriate BMPs, such that the discharge does not adversely affect the receiving water or downstream landowners. The Permittee(s) must operate the discharge to minimize the release of sediment and provide energy dissipation measures to adequately protect the outlet from erosion. The dewatering is limited to storm water and small amounts of ground water that may collect on a site and those sources identified in Part II.A. A separate permit must be obtained for the release of water from other sources.
6. All storm water discharges must comply with the requirements, policies, or guidelines, of municipalities and other local agencies. Any discharges of storm water to storm drainage systems or other water courses under their jurisdiction, including applicable requirements in municipal storm water management programs developed to comply with NDPDES permits, must comply with their local requirements.

#### **E. Final Stabilization**

The Permittee(s) must ensure final stabilization of the site. The Permittee(s) should submit a NOT within 30 days after final stabilization is complete, or another owner/operator (Permittee) has assumed control according to Part I.D over all areas of the site that have not undergone final stabilization. Final stabilization can be achieved in one of the following ways.

1. All soil disturbing activities at the site have been completed and all soils must be stabilized by a uniform perennial vegetative cover with a density of 70 percent over the entire pervious surface area, or other equivalent means necessary to prevent soil failure under erosive conditions and;
  - a. All drainage ditches, constructed to drain water from the site after construction is complete, must be stabilized to preclude erosion;
  - b. All temporary synthetic, and structural erosion prevention and sediment control BMPs (such as silt fence) must be removed as part of the site final stabilization; and
  - c. The Permittee(s) must clean out all sediment from conveyances and from temporary sedimentation basins that are to be used as permanent water quality management basins. Sediment must be stabilized to prevent it from being washed back into the basin, conveyances or drainageways discharging off-site or to surface waters. The cleanout of permanent basins must be sufficient to return the basin to design capacity.

2. For residential construction only, final stabilization has been achieved when temporary erosion protection and down gradient perimeter control for individual lots has been completed and the residence has been transferred to the homeowner. Additionally, the Permittee must distribute a "homeowner factsheet" to the homeowner to inform the homeowner of the need for, and benefits of, final stabilization.

### **PART III SELF MONITORING AND REPORTING**

#### **A. Inspection Requirements**

1. Inspections shall be performed by or under the direction of the permittee at least once every 14 calendar days and within 24 hours after any storm event of greater than 0.50 inches of rain per 24-hour period during active construction. The permittee shall have the option of maintaining a rain gauge at their site or utilizing the nearest National Weather Service precipitation gauge station. Any gauge station used shall be located within 10 miles of the storm water discharge.
2. All inspections and maintenance conducted during construction must be recorded in writing and these records must be retained in accordance with Part IV.D. Records of each inspection and maintenance activity shall include:
  - a. Date and time of inspections;
  - b. Name of person(s) conducting inspections;
  - c. Findings of inspections, including recommendations for corrective actions;
  - d. Corrective actions taken (including dates, times, and party completing maintenance activities);
  - e. Date and amount of all rainfall events greater than 1/2 inch (0.5 inches) in 24 hours; and
  - f. Documentation that the SWPP plan has been amended when substantial changes are made to the erosion and sediment controls or other BMPs in response to inspections.
3. Where parts of the construction site have undergone final stabilization, but work remains on other parts of the site, inspections of the stabilized areas may be reduced to once per month. Completed areas that have been stabilized but do not meet the 70% perennial vegetative cover criteria for final stabilization are also eligible for once per month inspections. Inspections may be suspended where work has been suspended due to frozen ground conditions. The required inspections and maintenance must resume as soon as runoff occurs at the site or prior to resuming construction, whichever comes first.
4. There may be times when a site inspection may not be practical at the specified time. Adverse climatic conditions, such as flooding, high winds, tornadoes, electrical storms, etc., may prohibit inspections. Should this occur, the permittee must make a record of the description of why the inspection(s) could not be performed at the designated time. Any available documentation of the events which did not allow for the inspection should also be available.
5. A permittee may submit an alternative inspection plan for long, narrow, linear construction projects such as pipeline or utility line installation, and similar projects in remote areas where vehicle traffic is restricted or could compromise native vegetation or stabilization measures. A copy of the SWPP plan and proposed inspections plan shall be submitted to the Department 30 days prior to implementing an alternative inspection plan. Any alternative plan must provide for the timely recognition and repair of erosion and sediment damage.

## B. Annual Location Record - (Small Construction Activity only)

Operators of Small Construction Activity shall maintain a Location Record that shows the locations they operated small construction activity.

### 1. Contents of the Location Record

The Location Record shall contain the following:

- a. Permit number;
- b. Name and mailing address of the owner or operator;
- c. Name of each small construction site;
- d. Location of each site (street address, latitude and longitude, or legal land description of township, range, section, and 1/4 section);
- e. Start date of each site;
- f. The estimated area of total disturbance, in acres, of each site;
- g. Status of each site (in progress, grading complete, final stabilization date).

### 2. Submittal

A copy of the Annual Location Record shall be submitted to the Department by January 31 of each year, covering the small construction sites operated during the preceding calendar year (January 1 through December 31). The report shall be submitted to the Department at the following address:

North Dakota Department of Health  
Division of Water Quality  
1200 Missouri Avenue  
PO Box 5520  
Bismarck, ND 58506-5520

## **PART IV – STANDARD CONDITIONS**

- A. **Duty to Comply.** The permittee must comply with all conditions of this permit. Any permit noncompliance constitutes a violation of the Act and is grounds for enforcement action; for permit termination, revocation and reissuance, or modification; or for denial of a permit renewal application. The permittee shall give the Department advance notice of any planned changes at the permitted facility or of any activity which may result in permit noncompliance.
- B. **Operation and Maintenance.** The permittee shall at all times maintain in good working order, and operate as efficiently as possible, all treatment or control facilities or systems installed or used by the permittee to achieve compliance with the terms and conditions of this permit and with the requirement of the SWPP Plans. If necessary to achieve compliance with the conditions of this permit, this shall include the operation and maintenance of backup or auxiliary systems.
- C. **Duty to Provide Information.** The permittee shall furnish to the Department, upon request, copies of records required to be kept by this permit. When a permittee becomes aware that it failed to submit any relevant facts or submitted incorrect information in a permit application or any report, it shall promptly submit such facts or information.
- D. **Records Retention.** All records and information (including calibration and maintenance) required by this permit shall be kept for at least three years or longer if requested by the Department or EPA.

E. **Signatory Requirements.** All applications, reports or information submitted to the Department shall be signed and certified.

1. All permit applications shall be signed by a responsible corporate officer, a general partner, or a principal executive officer or ranking elected official.
2. All reports required by the permit and other information requested by the Department shall be signed by a person described above or by a duly authorized representative of that person. A person is a duly authorized representative only if:
  - (a) The authorization is made in writing by a person described above and submitted to the Department; and
  - (b) The authorization specifies either an individual or a position having responsibility for the overall operation of the regulated facility, such as the position of plant manager, superintendent, position of equivalent responsibility, or an individual or position having overall responsibility for environmental matters.

If an authorization under item 2 above is no longer accurate for any reason, a new authorization satisfying the above requirements must be submitted to the Department prior to or together with any reports, information, or applications to be signed by an authorized representative.

Any person signing a document under this section shall make the following certification:

"I certify under penalty of law that I have personally examined and am familiar with the information submitted herein. Based on my inquiry of those individuals immediately responsible for obtaining the information, I believe the submitted information is true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information including the possibility of fine and imprisonment."

- F. **Immediate Notification.** The permittee shall report any noncompliance of discharge which may seriously endanger health or the environment as soon as possible, but no later than twenty-four (24) hours from the time the permittee first became aware of the circumstance. The report shall be made to the EPA, Region VIII, National Emergency Response Center, at 1-800-424-8802 and the State of North Dakota, Division of Emergency Management, 1-800-472-2121. In addition, a written submission to both the Department and EPA shall be provided within five days of the time that the permittee became aware of the circumstances. The submission shall contain a description of the noncompliance and its cause; the period of noncompliance, including exact dates and times; the estimated time noncompliance is expected to continue if it has not been corrected; and steps taken or planned to reduce, eliminate, and prevent recurrence of the noncompliance.
- G. **Bypassing.** Any bypass is prohibited except where unavoidable to prevent loss of life, personal injury, or severe property damage, and there were no feasible alternatives to the bypass. The permittee shall provide notification of unanticipated bypasses as may be required by Part IV.F, Immediate Notification. If, for other reasons, a bypass is considered necessary, a request to bypass shall be submitted, at least 15 days in advance if possible, to the Department. No bypass of this type shall occur until permission has been obtained from the Department.
- H. **Upset Conditions.** An upset constitutes an affirmative defense to an action brought for noncompliance with technology-based permit effluent limitations if the requirements of the following paragraph are not met. No determination made during administrative review of claims that noncompliance was caused by upset, and before an action for noncompliance, is final

administrative action subject to judicial review.

A permittee who wishes to establish the affirmative defense of upset shall demonstrate, through properly signed, contemporaneous operating logs, or other relevant evidence, that:

1. An upset occurred and the permittee can identify its cause(s);
2. The permitted facility was, at the time, being properly operated;
3. The permittee submitted notice of the upset as may be required under Part IV.F, Immediate Notification; and
4. The permittee complied with any remedial measures required under Part IV.I, Duty to Mitigate.

In any enforcement proceeding, the permittee seeking to establish the occurrence of an upset has the burden of proof.

- I. **Duty to Mitigate.** The permittee shall take all reasonable steps to minimize or prevent any discharge in violation of this permit which has a reasonable likelihood of adversely affecting human health or the environment. The permittee, at the Department's request, shall provide accelerated or additional monitoring as necessary to determine the nature and impact of any discharge.
- J. **Removed Materials.** Collected screening, grit, solids, sludge, or other pollutants removed in the course of treatment shall be buried or disposed of in such a manner to prevent any pollutant from entering waters of the state or creating a health hazard.
- K. **Right of Entry.** The permittee shall allow Department and EPA representatives, at reasonable times and, if requested, upon the presentation of credentials, to inspect any facilities or equipment (including monitoring and control equipment), to sample discharges, and to have access to and copy any records required to be kept by this permit. For facilities which discharge to a municipal or other separated storm sewer, this shall also pertain to authorized representatives of the municipal operator or the separate storm sewer receiving the discharge.
- L. **Availability of Reports.** Except for data determined to be confidential under 40 CFR, Part 2, all reports prepared in accordance with the terms of this permit shall be available for public inspection at the offices of the Department. As required by the Act, permit applications, permits, and effluent data shall not be considered confidential.
- M. **Transfers.** This permit is not transferable except upon the filing of a Statement of Acceptance by the new party and subsequent Department approval. The Department may require the new operator to file a new application as stated in Part I.D, or apply for a transfer or modification as stated in Part I.F. The current permit holder should inform the new controller, operator, or owner of the existence of this permit and also notify the Department of the possible change.
- N. **New Limitations or Prohibitions.** The permittee shall comply with any effluent standards or prohibitions established under Section 306(a), Section 307 (a), of Section 405 of the Act for any pollutant (toxic or conventional) present in the discharge or removed substances within the time identified in the regulations, even if the permit has not yet been modified to incorporate the requirements.

- O. **Permit Actions.** This permit may be modified, revoked and reissued, or terminated for cause. Also, if there is evidence indicating potential or realized impacts on water quality due to any storm water discharge associated with industrial activity covered by this permit, the owner or operator of such discharge may be required to obtain an individual permit or coverage under an alternative general permit in accordance with this Part. The filing of a request by the permittee for a permit modification, revocation and reissuance, or termination, or a notification of planned changes or anticipated noncompliance does not stay any permit condition. The following pertains to individual or alternative general permits:
1. The Department may, at any time and by written notification only, require any person authorized by this permit to apply for and obtain either an individual NDPDES permit or to seek coverage under an alternative NDPDES general permit. Any person covered by this general permit may request to be excluded from such coverage by either applying for an individual NDPDES permit, or filing a Notice of Intent to be covered under an alternative NDPDES general permit.
  2. When an individual NDPDES permit is issued to a person otherwise subject to this permit or the person is approved for coverage under an alternative NDPDES general permit, the applicability of this permit to the individual permittee is automatically terminated upon the effective date of the individual permit or the date of approval for coverage under the alternative general permit. When an individual NDPDES permit is denied to a person otherwise subject to this permit, or the person is denied for coverage under an alternative NDPDES general permit, the applicability of this permit remains in effect, unless otherwise specified by the Department.
- P. **Need to Halt or Reduce.** It shall not be a defense for a permittee in an enforcement action that it would have been necessary to halt or reduce the permitted activity in order to maintain compliance with the conditions of this permit.
- Q. **State Laws.** Nothing in this permit shall be construed to preclude the institution of legal action or relieve the permittee from any responsibilities, liabilities, or penalties established pursuant to any applicable state law or regulation preserved under Section 510 of the Act.
- R. **Oil and Hazardous Substance Liability.** Nothing in this permit shall be construed to preclude the institution of any legal action or relieve the permittee from any responsibilities, liabilities, or penalties established pursuant to any applicable state law or regulation preserved under Section 311 of the Act.
- S. **Property Rights.** The issuance of this permit does not convey any property rights of any sort, nor any exclusive privileges; nor does it authorize any injury to private property or any invasion of personal rights; nor any infringement of federal, state, or local laws or regulations.
- T. **Severability.** The provisions of this permit are severable, and if any provision of this permit or the application of any provision of this permit to any circumstance is held invalid, the application of such provision to other circumstances and the remainder of this permit shall not be affected thereby.

## **PART V - DEFINITIONS**

"303d List" or Section 303d List" means a list of North Dakota's water quality-limited waters needing total maximum daily loads or TMDLs developed to comply with section 303d of the Clean Water Act. A copy of the list is available on the state's web site at:

[http://www.health.state.nd.us/wq/sw/Z7\\_Publications/A\\_Publications.htm](http://www.health.state.nd.us/wq/sw/Z7_Publications/A_Publications.htm)

"BMP" or "Best Management Practices" means schedules of activities, prohibitions of practices, maintenance procedures, and other management practices to prevent or reduce the pollution of waters of the state. BMPs also include treatment requirements, operating procedures and practices to control plant site runoff, spillage or leaks, sludge or waste disposal, or drainage from raw material storage.

"Bypass" means the intentional diversion of waste streams from any portion of a treatment facility.

"Common Plan of Development or Sale" means a contiguous area where multiple separate and distinct land disturbing activities may be taking place at different times, on different schedules, but under one proposed plan. One plan is broadly defined to include design, permit application, advertisement or physical demarcation indicating that land-disturbing activities may occur.

"Construction Activity" means construction activity as defined in 40 C.F.R. part 122.26(b)(14)(x) and small construction activity as defined in 40 C.F.R. part 122.26(b)(15). This includes a disturbance to the land that results in a change in the topography, existing soil cover (both vegetative and non-vegetative), or the existing soil topography that may result in accelerated storm water runoff, leading to soil erosion and movement of sediment into surface waters or drainage systems. Examples of construction activity may include clearing, grading, filling and excavating. Construction activity includes the disturbance of less than one acre of total land area that is a part of a larger common plan of development or sale if the larger common plan will ultimately disturb one (1) acre or more

"Department" means the North Dakota Department of Health, Division of Water Quality.

"Energy Dissipation" means methods employed at pipe outlets to prevent erosion. Examples include, but are not limited to: concrete aprons, riprap, splash pads, and gabions that are designed to prevent erosion.

"Final Stabilization" means that:

1. All soil disturbing activities at the site have been completed and a uniform perennial vegetative cover with a density of 70 percent of the native cover for unpaved areas and areas not covered by permanent structures, or equivalent permanent stabilization measures (such as the use of riprap, gabions, or geotextiles) have been employed.
2. For areas with an average annual rainfall of less than 20 inches only, all soil disturbing activities at the site have been completed and temporary erosion control measures (e.g., degradable rolled erosion control product) are selected, designed, and installed along with an appropriate seed base to provide erosion control for at least three years and achieve 70 percent vegetative coverage within three years without active maintenance.
3. For soil disturbing activities on land used for agricultural purposes, final stabilization may be accomplished by returning the disturbed land to its pre-disturbance agricultural use. Areas disturbed that were not previously used for agricultural activities, such as buffer strips immediately adjacent to "waters of the state," and areas which are not being returned to their pre-disturbance agricultural use must meet the final stabilization criteria in (1) or (2) above.

"Large Construction Activity" means land disturbance of equal to or greater than 5 acres. Large construction activity also includes the disturbance of less than one acre of total land area that is part of a larger common plan of development or sale, if the larger common plan will ultimately disturb equal to or greater than five acres.

"Normal Wetted Perimeter" means the area of a conveyance, such as a ditch, channel, or pipe that is in contact with water during flow events that are expected to occur once every year.

"Non-Storm Water Discharges" means discharges other than storm water. The term includes both process and non-process sources. Process waste water sources that require a separate NDPDES permit include, but are not limited to industrial processes, domestic facilities and cooling water. Non-storm water sources that may be addressed in this permit include, but are not limited to: fire hydrant flushing and testing, potable water line flushing, infrequent building and pavement washdowns without detergents, uncontaminated foundation drains, springs, lawn watering and air conditioning condensate.

"Operator" means the person (usually the general contractor), designated by the owner, who has day to day operational control and/or the ability to modify project plans and specifications related to the SWPP plan. The person must be knowledgeable in those areas of the permit for which the operator is responsible and must perform those responsibilities in a workmanlike manner.

"Owner" means the person or party possessing the title of the land on which the construction activities will occur; or if the construction activity is for a lease holder, the party or individual identified as the lease holder; or the contracting government agency responsible for the construction activity.

"Permanent Cover" means final stabilization. Examples include grass, gravel, asphalt, and concrete.

"Severe Property Damage" means substantial physical damage to property, damage to treatment facilities which causes them to become inoperable, or substantial and permanent loss of natural resources which can reasonably be expected to occur in the absence of a bypass. Severe property damage does not mean economic loss caused by delays in production.

"Significant Materials" includes, but is not limited to: raw materials; fuels; materials such as solvents, detergents, and plastic pellets; finished materials such as metallic products; raw materials used in food processing or production; hazardous substances designated under Section 101(14) of CERCLA; any chemical the facility is required to report pursuant to Section 313 of Title III of SARA; fertilizers; pesticides; and waste products such as ashes, slag, and sludge that have the potential to be released with storm water discharges.

"Significant Spills" includes, but is not limited to: releases of oil or hazardous substances in excess of reportable quantities under Section 311 of the Clean Water Act (see 40 CFR 110.10 and CFR 117.21) or Section 102 of CERCLA (see 40 CFR 302.4).

"Small Construction Activity" means land disturbance of equal to or greater than one acre and less than five acres. Small construction activity also includes the disturbance of less than one acre of total land area that is part of a larger common plan of development or sale, if the larger common plan will ultimately disturb equal to or greater than one and less than five acres.

"Stabilized" means the exposed ground surface has been covered by appropriate materials such as mulch, staked sod, riprap, wood fiber blanket, or other material that prevents erosion from occurring. Grass seeding alone is not stabilization.

"Storm Water" means storm water runoff, snow melt runoff, and surface runoff and drainage.

"Storm Water Associated with Industrial Activity" means storm water runoff, snow melt runoff, or surface runoff and drainage from industrial activities as defined in 40 CFR § 122.26(b)(14).

"Storm Water Associated with Small Construction Activity" means the discharge of storm water from:

(i) Construction activities including clearing, grading, and excavating that result in land disturbance of equal to or greater than one acre and less than five acres. Small construction activity also includes the disturbance of less than one acre of total land area that is part of a larger common plan of development or sale if the larger common plan will ultimately disturb equal to or greater than one and less than five acres. Small construction activity does not include routine maintenance that is performed to maintain the original line and grade, hydraulic capacity, or original purpose of the facility.

(ii) Any other construction activity designated by EPA or the Department, based on the potential for contribution to a violation of a water quality standard or for significant contribution of pollutants to waters of the state.

"Temporary Erosion Protection" means methods employed to prevent erosion. Examples of temporary cover include: straw, wood fiber blanket, wood chips, and erosion netting.

"Upset" means an exceptional incident in which there is unintentional and temporary noncompliance with technology-based permit effluent limitations because of factors beyond the reasonable control of the permittee. An upset does not include noncompliance to the extent caused by operational error, improperly designed treatment facilities, inadequate treatment facilities, lack of preventive maintenance, or careless or improper operation.

"Waters of the state" means any and all surface waters that are contained in or flow in or through the state of North Dakota as defined in NDCC 61-28-02. This definition includes all water courses, even if they are usually dry.

## Appendix 1 - Erosion and sediment control guidelines for construction activity

The following are guidelines for designing, implementing and maintaining effective erosion and sediment controls.

- 1) Temporary (or permanent) sediment basins must be provided, where practical, when ten (10) or more acres of disturbed area drain to a common location prior to the runoff leaving the site or entering surface waters. The Permittee is encouraged, but not required, to install temporary sediment basins where appropriate in areas with steep slopes or highly erodible soils even if less than ten (10) acres drains to one area. The design and construction of the basins must include following:

The basins shall be sized to provide 3,600 cubic feet of storage below the outlet pipe per acre drained to the basin. Alternative designs may be used which provide storage below the outlet for a calculated volume of runoff from a 2 year, 24 hour storm and provides not less than 1800 cubic feet of storage below the outlet pipe from each acre drained to the basin.

Basin outlets must be designed to avoid short-circuiting and the discharge of floating debris. The basin must be designed with the ability to allow complete basin drawdown (e.g., perforated riser pipe wrapped with filter fabric and covered with crushed gravel, pumps or other means) for maintenance activities. The drawdown should be designed to release the storage volume in a 24 hour or longer period. The basin must have a stabilized emergency overflow to prevent failure of pond integrity. Energy dissipation must be provided for the basin outlet.

- 2) Where a temporary sediment basin is not practical due to site limitations or the nature of disturbance (such a developing a roadway, pipeline, or diversion) a combination of measures must be used to provide equivalent sediment control for all down slope boundaries of the construction area and for side slope boundaries as deemed appropriate by individual site conditions. Equivalent sediment controls include such things as smaller sediment basins, and/or sediment traps, silt fences, vegetative buffer strips. In determining whether installing a sediment basin is attainable, the permittee must consider public safety and may consider factors such as soils, slope, and available area on site.
- 3) Provide temporary erosion protection or permanent cover for the exposed soil areas where activities have been completed or temporarily ceased. For those areas with a continuous positive slope within 200 lineal feet of a surface water, temporary erosion protection or permanent cover must be applied within 21 days of completing or ceasing earth moving activities. These areas include pond embankments, ditches, berms and soil stockpiles. Temporary stockpiles without significant silt, clay or organic components (e.g., clean aggregate stockpiles, demolition concrete stockpiles, sand stockpiles) are exempt from this requirement.
- 4) Temporary soil stockpiles must have effective sediment controls, and cannot be placed in surface waters, including storm water conveyances such as curb and gutter systems, or conduits and ditches.
- 5) The normal wetted perimeter of any temporary or permanent drainage ditch that drains water from a construction site, or diverts water around a site, must be stabilized within 200 lineal feet from the property edge, or from the point of discharge to any surface water. Stabilization should be completed within 24 hours of connecting to a surface water.
- 6) Pipe outlets must be provided with temporary or permanent energy dissipation within 24 hours of connection to a surface water.

- 7) In order to maintain sheet flow and minimize rills and/or gullies, there should be no unbroken slope length of greater than 75 feet for slopes with a grade of 3:1 or steeper.
- 8) Temporary or permanent drainage ditches and sediment basins that are designed as part of a treatment system (e.g., ditches with rock check dams) require sediment control practices only as appropriate for site conditions.

The following are maintenance and operation considerations for effective sediment and erosion control:

- 1) All erosion prevention and sediment control BMPs must be inspected to ensure integrity and effectiveness. All nonfunctional BMPs must be repaired, replaced, or supplemented with functional BMPs. The Permittee(s) must investigate and comply with the following inspection and maintenance requirements:
  - All silt fences must be repaired, replaced, or supplemented when they become nonfunctional or the sediment reaches 1/3 of the height of the fence. These repairs must be made within 24 hours of discovery, or as soon as field conditions allow access.
  - Temporary and permanent sedimentation basins must be drained and the sediment removed when the depth of sediment collected in the basin reaches 1/2 the storage volume. Drainage and removal must be completed within 72 hours of discovery, or as soon as field conditions allow access.
- 2) Surface waters, including drainage ditches and conveyance systems, must be inspected for evidence of sediment being deposited by erosion. The Permittee(s) must remove all deltas and sediment deposited in surface waters, including drainage ways, catch basins, and other drainage systems, and restabilize the areas where sediment removal results in exposed soil. The removal and stabilization should take place within seven (7) days of discovery unless precluded by legal, regulatory, or physical access constraints. The Permittee shall use all reasonable efforts to obtain access. If precluded, removal and stabilization should take place within seven (7) calendar days of obtaining access. The Permittee is responsible for contacting all local, regional, state and federal authorities and receiving any applicable permits, prior to conducting any work.
- 3) Construction site vehicle exit locations must be inspected for evidence of off-site sediment tracking onto paved surfaces. Accumulations of tracked sediment must be removed from all off-site paved surfaces, within 48 hours, or if applicable, within a shorter time specified by local authorities.

## **Appendix 2 - Basic storm water pollution prevention measures for small construction sites**

These guidelines are intended to serve as a set of operating procedures for small construction activity. For residential or commercial building sites involving one (1) acre or less, the guidelines may serve as a generic SWPP plan by itself or as the majority of the plan with site specific considerations attached as appropriate.

### Housekeeping and Standard Operating Practices

#### 1) Minimize sediment and dirt deposits on streets.

If sediment escapes the construction site, off-site accumulations of sediment must be removed in a manner and at a frequency sufficient to minimize off-site impacts (e.g., fugitive sediment in streets could be washed into storm sewers by the next rain and/or pose a safety hazard to users of public streets).

Vehicle tracking of sediment from the construction site must be minimized by BMPs such as a designated vehicle entrance to the building site and providing aggregate surface on the entrance (driveway) as soon as practical. The building site operator is responsible for (or making the arrangements for) street sweeping and/or scraping if BMPs are not adequate to prevent sediment from being tracked onto the street from his/her building site(s).

#### 2) Properly handle construction debris and waste materials.

Provide appropriate container(s) on-site (or centrally located for several sites) for storing construction debris and other wastes until disposal. Litter and debris shall be picked-up regularly to reduce the chance for materials to be carried off the site by wind or water. Waste shall be disposed-of at a facility appropriate for the type of waste collected.

Liquid or soluble materials including oil, fuel, paint and any other hazardous substances must be properly stored, to prevent spills, leaks or other discharges. Restricted access to storage areas must be provided to prevent vandalism. Storage and disposal of hazardous waste must be in compliance with applicable regulations.

Concrete wash water shall not be discharged to any waters of the state, storm sewer systems or allowed to drain onto adjacent properties. Wash water disposal must be limited to a defined area of the site or to an area designated by the developer for cement washout. The area(s) must be sufficient to contain the wash water and residual cement.

#### 3) Storm water inlet protection.

All storm drain inlets in the immediate vicinity of the building site must be protected by appropriate BMPs during construction until all sources with potential for discharging to the inlet have been stabilized. Grate covers and other means of sediment capture at the inlet are a last line of control. Sediment and erosion control practices must also be used on the building site. Inlet covers or barriers must conform to local ordinances or regulations. In general inlet barriers need to provide for drainage adequate to prevent excessive roadway flooding.

Maintenance and cleaning of inlet protection devices including on-site sediment and erosion controls must be performed in a timely manner.

#### 4) Inspections shall be performed as outlined in the construction storm water permit.

Stage-Specific Controls (Minimum Considerations)

- 1) Excavation soil piles and other temporary soil stockpiles must have silt fence or other effective **sediment controls**, and cannot be placed in **surface waters**, including **storm water** conveyances such as **curb and gutter systems**. The silt fence or other barrier material must be placed between the curb (or other type of storm conveyance) and pile site and the ends must extend back away from the curb to form a generally semi-circular shape. Only a minimal amount of stockpile material should be placed directly against the fence and in no case shall it be more than 1/6 the height of the exposed fence height.

The barrier shall be installed prior to beginning stockpiling and shall be maintained until such time that the piles will be removed. The barriers may be removed to allow backfilling operations or to obtain material from other stockpiles. If all of the material is not removed in one operation or removal will be suspended for more than 7 days, the barrier must be reinstalled.

- 2) Rough graded building sites. Sediment and erosion controls shall be used as appropriate to reduce erosion and the amount of sediment deposited in the street (or other storm conveyance if present). Minimum considerations include:
  - a. Maintaining a 3 to 4 foot wide by 3 to 4 inch drop edge on the back side of the curb and sidewalk (if installed) when the slope of the lot is perpendicular to the curb. For sites where the slopes are appreciably parallel to the street, provide a barrier at the lot edge to curtail down cutting along the curb.
  - b. If boulevard areas have been seeded to temporary cover, maintain cover as much as possible during the building process.
  - c. Temporary Erosion Protection methods may be used as an alternative or replacement to the practices mentioned above to prevent erosion. Examples of temporary cover include: straw, wood fiber blanket, wood chips, and erosion netting.
  - d. Provide splash pads and/or downspout extensions for roof drains sufficient to prevent erosion from roof runoff.
- 3) Final stabilization. Provide final stabilization or landscaping as soon as practical in the building process. Due to varying preferences of buyers, the methods also vary at this stage. Generally one of the following should describe the final stabilization.
  - a. Sod is installed.
  - b. The site is finish graded and seed and/or mulch are applied immediately following the finish grading and topsoil placement.
  - c. If the home buyer (or other building occupant) prefers to complete landscaping, temporary erosion and sediment controls should be left in place and the home buyer shall be provided information ("homeowner factsheet") on the purpose of such controls.

The responsibility under the construction storm water permit does not end until final stabilization has been achieved. Final stabilization is considered achieved when perennial vegetation is established at 70% of preexisting levels over the entire area (excluding paved or roofed areas); or:

For residential construction only, temporary erosion protection and down gradient perimeter control for individual lots has been completed and the residence has been transferred to the homeowner. Additionally, the homeowner is provided with a "homeowner factsheet" informing the homeowner of the need for, and benefits of, final stabilization.

Site specific considerations

- 1) Site map. For residential building sites which are part of a locally approved development, a building lot sitemap is not required unless:
  - a. Requested by local authorities.
  - b. The site requires specific control measures to protect adjoining water bodies.
  - c. The building site involves more than one (1) acre.
  - d. The developer requests one to ensure practices are used as a matter of policy, or to protect structures that have been or are being built to manage storm water from the development as a whole.
  
- 2) Typically there are multiple operators involved with construction activity in residential developments that may need to place (or may have placed) sediment and erosion controls in or near your work areas. As an operator of a small construction site, you must coordinate with other operators to ensure that your activities (including the removal or modification of existing BMPs) do not interfere with another party's erosion and sediment control practices.

Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan

**Enbridge's Spill Prevention, Containment, and Control Plan**



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## **Spill Prevention, Containment, and Control Plan**

### **1.0 INTRODUCTION**

This Spill Prevention, Containment and Control Plan (Spill Plan) describes planning, prevention and control measures to minimize impacts resulting from spills of fuels, petroleum products, or other regulated substances as a result of construction. These measures will be implemented by the Contractor working on Enbridge expansion projects, unless otherwise indicated by Enbridge.

### **2.0 PLANNING AND PREVENTION**

Enbridge requires its Contractors to implement proper planning and preventative measures to minimize the likelihood of spills, and to quickly and successfully clean up a spill should one occur. Enbridge has developed this Spill Plan to set forth minimum standards for handling and storing regulated substances and cleaning up spills. Potential sources of construction-related spills include machinery and equipment failure, fuel handling, transfer accidents and storage tank leaks. The Contractor will be responsible for implementing, at a minimum, the following planning and prevention measures.

#### **2.1 ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

##### **Spill Coordinator**

A Spill Coordinator shall be designated by the Contractor, subject to approval by Enbridge. For pipeline spills, the Spill Coordinator shall ensure that the Enbridge Representative is notified immediately, and may assist in response action as dictated by Enbridge. For all construction related spills, the following shall apply:

- The Spill Coordinator shall report all spills to the Enbridge Representative immediately.
- The Spill Coordinator (under Enbridge oversight), shall report spills to appropriate federal, state and local agencies as soon as possible.
- The Spill Coordinator shall mobilize on-site personnel, equipment, and materials for containment and/or cleanup commensurate with the extent of the spill.
- The Spill Coordinator shall assist the Emergency Response Contractor (Appendix A) and monitor containment procedures to ensure that the actions are consistent with the requirements of this Spill Plan.
- The Spill Coordinator and/or Enbridge Representative, in consultation with appropriate agencies, shall determine when it is necessary to evacuate spill sites to safeguard human health.
- The Spill Coordinator (under Enbridge oversight), shall coordinate with appropriate agencies the need to contact additional parties or agencies.

- The Spill Coordinator is responsible for completing a Spill Report Form (Appendix B) within 24-hours of the occurrence of a spill, regardless of the size of the spill.

### **Environmental Inspector**

- The Environmental Inspector will monitor the Contractor's compliance with the provisions of this Spill Plan.

### **Authorized Personnel**

- Authorized Personnel are representatives of the Contractor who are designated to handle fuel, lubricants or other regulated substances.
- Authorized Personnel must be familiar with the requirements of the Spill Plan and the consequences of non-compliance.

### **Construction Superintendent**

- The Contractor's Construction Superintendent or representative must notify the Enbridge Representative and the Environmental Inspector immediately of any spill of a petroleum product or hazardous liquid, regardless of volume.

### **Construction Personnel**

- Construction Personnel are representatives of the Contractor involved with the installation of the pipeline.
- Construction Personnel shall notify the crew foreman or Spill Coordinator immediately of any spill of a petroleum product or hazardous liquid, regardless of volume.

### **Enbridge Representative**

- The Enbridge Representative shall oversee the Spill Coordinator to ensure that appropriate agency notifications are made, spill resources are allocated, and clean-up is accomplished in accordance with applicable agency requirements.

## **2.2 TRAINING**

- The Contractor shall train all employees who handle fuels and other regulated substances to prevent spills and to quickly and effectively contain and clean up spills that may occur in accordance with applicable regulations.
- The Contractor and employees will be briefed on procedures to respond to a pipeline spill (e.g. third party damage to the adjacent in-service pipeline) during mandatory safety and environmental training to be provided by the Enbridge.

## **2.3 EQUIPMENT**

- Each construction crew must have adequate absorbent materials and containment booms on hand, to enable the rapid cleanup of any spill which may occur.
- The Contractor must maintain spill kits containing a sufficient quantity of absorbent and barrier materials to adequately contain and recover foreseeable spills. These kits may include, but are not limited to absorbent pads, straw bales, absorbent clay, sawdust, floor-drying agents, spill containment barriers, plastic sheeting, skimmer pumps, and holding tanks. This equipment shall be located near fuel storage areas and other locations as necessary to be readily available to control foreseeable spills.
- Suitable plastic lining materials shall be available for placement below and on top of temporarily-stored contaminated soils and materials.
- All fuel, and where necessary, service vehicles, shall carry spill containment materials adequate to control foreseeable spills. Such material may include but not be limited to absorbent pads, commercial absorbent material, plastic bags with ties, and a shovel.
- The Spill Coordinator shall make known to Authorized Personnel, Construction Personnel, the Environmental Inspector, and the Enbridge Representative the locations of spill control equipment and materials, and have them readily accessible during construction activity.
- Construction equipment shall be removed from wetlands and parked a minimum of 100 feet away from streams, wetlands, ditches, and other waterbodies at the end of each work day.
- In large wetlands where no upland site is available for refueling, auxiliary fuel tanks on construction equipment are recommended.
- All fuel nozzles shall be equipped with functional automatic shut-offs and over-flow alarms.
- Fuel trucks transporting fuel to on-site construction equipment shall travel only on approved access roads.

## **2.4 SUPERVISION AND INSPECTION**

- The Contractor shall perform a pre-construction inspection and test of all equipment to ensure that it is in good repair.
- During construction, the Contractor shall regularly inspect hoses, pipes, valves, and tanks to ensure equipment is free of leaks. Any equipment that is leaking or in need of repair will be immediately removed from service by Contractor and repaired, prior to resuming work.

### **3.0 STORAGE AND HANDLING OF FUELS HAZARDOUS LIQUIDS**

#### **3.1 FUEL STORAGE - GENERAL**

The Contractor shall follow proper fuel storage practices, including, but not limited to the following:

- Fuel storage shall be at Contractor yards only or as approved by Enbridge.
- Proper signage at and adjacent to fuel storage areas to include “Fuel Storage Area – No smoking within 50 feet.
- A minimum of two 30-pound or four 20-pound fire extinguishers must be located and readily available at all fuel storage locations. The extinguishers shall be located not less than 25 feet and not more than 75 feet from these locations.
- Tools and materials to stop the flow of leaking tanks and pipes shall be kept on-site. Such equipment may include, but not be limited to, plugs of various sizes, 3M tank patches, a hammer, assorted sizes of metal screws with rubber washers, a screwdriver, and plastic tape. Spill kits (see Section 2.3 of this Spill Plan) must be located at fuel storage areas.
- Fuels, lubricants, waste oil, and any other regulated substances shall be stored in aboveground tanks only.
- Storage tanks and containers must conform to all applicable industry codes (NFPA, UFC, etc.).
- A suitable secondary containment structure must be utilized at each fuel storage site. These structures must be lined with suitable plastic sheeting; provide a minimum containment volume equal to 150 percent of the volume of the largest storage vessel; and provide at least 1 foot of freeboard.
- If earthen containment dikes are used, they shall be constructed with slopes no steeper than 3:1 (horizontal to vertical) to limit erosion and provide structural stability.
- Secondary containment areas must not have drains. Precipitation may be drawn off as necessary. If visual inspection indicates that no spillage has occurred in the secondary containment structure, accumulated water may be drawn off and sprayed on the surrounding upland areas. If spillage has occurred in the structure, accumulated waste shall be drawn off and pumped into drum storage for proper disposal.
- Vehicle maintenance wastes, including used oils and other fluids, shall be handled and managed by personnel trained in the procedures outlined in this plan. Vehicle maintenance wastes will be stored and disposed of in accordance with Section 7.0 of this Spill Plan.

### **3.2 REFUELING**

- Fuels shall be dispensed by Authorized Personnel during daylight hours only.
- Fuel dispensing operations shall be attended by Authorized Personnel at all times. Personnel must be stationed at both ends of the hose during fueling unless both ends are visible and are readily accessible by one person.
- Fuel dispensing equipment (i.e., portable gas cans, nozzles, hoses, etc.) shall be of the appropriate type. Consult with the Contractor Safety Program (CSP) for details.

### **3.3 REFUELING AND FUEL STORAGE NEAR WETLANDS AND WATERBODIES**

Enbridge requires that the storage of petroleum products, refueling and lubricating operations take place in upland areas that are more than 100 feet from wetlands, streams, and waterbodies (including drainage ditches), and water supply wells. In addition, the Contractor must store hazardous materials, chemicals, fuel and lubricating oils, and perform concrete coating activities outside these areas. Auxiliary fuel tanks solidly attached to construction equipment or pumps are not considered storage and are acceptable.

In certain instances, refueling or fuel storage may be unavoidable due to site-specific conditions or unique construction requirements (e.g. continuously operating pumps or equipment on barges). These locations must be approved in advance by the Environmental Inspector. In addition to those practices described above, the following precautions will be taken when refueling within 100 feet of streams, wetlands or other waterbodies:

- Adequate amounts of absorbent materials and containment booms must be kept on hand by each construction crew to enable the rapid cleanup of any spill which may occur.
- If fuel must be stored within wetlands or near streams for refueling of continuously operating pumps, secondary containment must be provided.
- Secondary containment structures must be lined with suitable plastic sheeting, provide a containment volume of at least 150 percent of the storage vessel, and allow for at least one foot of freeboard.
- Provide for adequate lighting of these locations and activities.

### **4.0 INITIAL SPILL MANAGEMENT**

#### **4.1 IMMEDIATE RESPONSE**

Immediately upon learning of any fuel, oil, hazardous material or other regulated substance spill, or upon learning of conditions that will lead to an imminent spill, the person discovering the situation shall:

- Initiate actions to contain the fluid that has spilled or is about to spill, and initiate action to eliminate the source of the spill to the maximum extent that is safely possible.

- Notify the crew foreman and/or the Spill Coordinator and provide them with the following information:
- Location and cause of the spill
- The type of material that has spilled
- Whether the spill has reached or is likely to reach any surface water

Upon learning of a spill or a potential spill the Spill Coordinator shall:

- Assess the situation and determine the need for further action.
- Direct subsequent activities and/or further assign responsibilities to other personnel.
- Procedures regarding excavation and disposal of contaminated soil material from wetlands or near waterbodies are described in Section 6.2 of this Plan.
- Notify the Enbridge Representative and Environmental Inspector.

#### **4.2 MOBILIZATION**

- The Spill Coordinator shall mobilize on-site personnel, equipment, and materials for containment and/or cleanup commensurate with the extent of the spill.
- If the Spill Coordinator determines that a spill is beyond the scope of on-site equipment and personnel, the Spill Coordinator shall immediately notify the Construction Superintendent that an Emergency Response Contractor is needed to contain and/or clean up the spill. Appendix A contains a list of potential Emergency Response Contractors.
- The Spill Coordinator shall assist the Emergency Response Contractor and monitor containment procedures to ensure that the actions are consistent with the requirements of this Spill Plan.
- In the event of a pipeline spill (to an adjacent pipeline), Enbridge's Emergency Pipeline Control Center must be notified at 1-800-858-5253 (24-hours/day), as well as the Company Representative. Actions requiring emergency response employees and contractors will be coordinated by the Company Representative.

#### **5.0 SPILL NOTIFICATION RESPONSIBILITIES**

##### **5.1 NOTIFICATION VOLUMES**

The Contractor's Construction Superintendent or representative must notify the Enbridge Representative and the Environmental Inspector immediately of any spill of a petroleum product or hazardous liquid, regardless of volume.

##### **5.2 SPILL REPORT FORM (APPENDIX B)**

The Spill Coordinator shall complete a Spill Report Form for each release of a regulated

substance, regardless of volume. The Spill Report Form must be submitted to the Enbridge Representative within 24 hours of the occurrence of a spill. To complete the Spill Report Form, the Spill Coordinator shall compile the following information:

- A legal description of the spill location, and specific directions from the nearest community.
- The time and date of the spill, and the time and date the spill was discovered.
- The type and estimated volume of spilled material, and the manufacturer's name.
- The media in which the spill exists (e.g., soil, water, etc.).
- The topography and surface conditions of the spill site.
- Proximity of surface waters.
- Weather conditions.
- Name, company, address, and telephone number of the Construction Superintendent, Spill Coordinator, Enbridge representative, and the person who reported the spill.
- The cause of the spill.
- Immediate containment and/or cleanup actions taken.
- Current status of cleanup actions.

Follow-up written reports, associated laboratory analyses, confirmatory field sampling and other documentation may also be required separately on a site-specific basis as directed by the Company Representative or Environmental Inspector. Documentation is the responsibility of the Contractor.

### **5.3 AGENCY NOTIFICATION**

The Contractor will notify Enbridge and report spills to appropriate federal, state and local agencies as soon as possible. These include, but may not be limited to the following:

National Response Center, in Washington, D.C.  
Phone: (800) 424-8802 (24 hours)

The Contractor, in coordination with Enbridge and the appropriate federal, state and local agencies must ensure that additional parties or agencies are properly notified. Additionally, the Contractor is responsible for ensuring that all cleanup activities required by a jurisdictional agency are satisfactorily met and provide documentation to Enbridge demonstrating this compliance.

### **6.0 SPILL CONTAINMENT AND CLEANUP**

In the event of a spill, the Contractor will abide by all applicable federal, state and local regulations with respect to cleaning up the spill. All cleanup and other construction related spill

activities must be completed by, and costs assumed by the Contractor. Specific cleanup measures for both upland and wetland/waterbody spills are described below.

#### **6.1 SPILL CONTROL - UPLAND AREAS**

- If a spill should occur during refueling operations, STOP the refueling operation until the spill can be controlled and the situation corrected.
- The source of the spill must be identified and contained immediately.
- For large spills on land, the spill must be contained and pumped immediately into tank trucks. The Contractor or, if necessary, an Emergency Response Contractor, shall excavate contaminated soil. Appendix A lists potential Emergency Response Contractors.
- The spilled material and the contaminated soil must be treated and/or disposed of in accordance with all applicable federal, state, and local agency requirements (see Section 7.0 of this Spill Plan).
- Smaller spills on land shall be cleaned up with absorbent materials. Contaminated soil or other materials associated with these releases shall also be collected and disposed of in accordance with applicable regulations (see Section 7.0 of this Spill Plan).
- Flowing spills must be contained and/or absorbed before reaching surface waters or wetlands.
- Absorbent material(s) shall be placed over spills to minimize spreading and to reduce its penetration into the soil.
- The Spill Coordinator and/or Enbridge Representative, in consultation with appropriate agencies, determine when spill sites will be evacuated as necessary to safeguard human health. Evacuation parameters shall include consideration for the potential of fire, explosion, and hazardous gases.

#### **6.2 SPILL CONTROL - WETLANDS AND WATERBODIES**

In addition to the above measures, the following conditions shall apply if a spill occurs near or into a stream, wetland or other waterbody, regardless of size:

- If a spill should occur during refueling operations, STOP the operation until the spill can be controlled and the situation corrected.
- For spills into streams, lakes or other waterbodies containing standing or flowing water, regardless of size, the Contractor Representative must apprise Enbridge of the incident and notify the National Response Center immediately.
- For spills in standing water, sorbent booms and pads shall be on hand and used by the Contractor to contain and recover released materials. In addition, other spill response materials and equipment shall be on hand as appropriate for each

waterbody and used to contain and recover foreseeable spills. This may include containment booms, skimmer pumps, holding tanks, boats, and other equipment.

- If necessary, for large spills in waterbodies, an Emergency Response Contractor must be secured to further contain and clean up the spill. A list of Emergency Response Contractors is included in Appendix A.
- Contaminated soils in wetlands must be excavated and temporarily placed on plastic sheeting in a bermed area, a minimum of 100 feet away from the wetland. Contaminated soils shall be covered with plastic sheeting while being stored temporarily and properly disposed of as soon as possible, in accordance with this Plan (see Section 7.0). Enbridge maintains spill records along its entire system. Historic leak sites may exist within the project area and the Environmental Inspector will be made aware of the location of these sites prior to work occurring in them. Unknown contamination or historic contamination encountered during construction will be managed per Enbridge's Contaminated Soils Management Plan. Water Quality and Solid Waste program staff will continue to be notified of newly discovered sites.

## **7.0 STORAGE AND DISPOSAL OF CONTAMINATED MATERIALS**

- Appendix A of this SPCC Plan lists potential treatment and disposal facilities for contaminated materials, petroleum products, and other construction-related wastes. Enbridge will recycle those wastes, such as motor oil, where there is an established recycling program available. Wastes such as grease or oily rags shall be disposed of in accordance with state requirements.
- All contaminated soils, absorbent materials, and other wastes shall be stored and disposed of by the Contractor in accordance with all applicable state and federal regulations.
- Only licensed carriers may be used to transport contaminated material from the site to a disposal facility.
- If it is necessary to temporarily store excavated soils on site, these materials shall be placed on, and covered by, plastic sheeting, or placed in properly labeled ring-top 55-gallon drums and the storage area bermed to prevent and contain runoff.
- Any hazardous or contaminated material stored on Enbridge property or the right-of-way will be properly labeled in accordance with State and US EPA labeling requirements.

**APPENDIX A**

**Emergency Response Contractors;  
Disposal and Treatment Facilities**

The Contractor must dispose of all wastes according to applicable federal, state, and local requirements. A listing of potential Emergency Spill Response Contractors and waste disposal facilities is provided below. This list was developed from state-wide data bases. This list represents firms operating at the time the data base was produced. The Contractor is responsible for verifying if a contractor or facility is currently operating under appropriate permits or licenses. The Contractor is responsible for ensuring wastes are disposed of properly.

**Spill Response Contractors**

Hexom Earth Construction	Williston, ND	701-774-8511
High Plains Consortium, Inc	Bismarck, ND	701-255-6080
Gem Star Assoc, Inc West	Fargo, ND	701-277-0600
Keitu Engineers and Consultants, Inc	Mandan, ND	701-667-1800

**Waste Disposal Treatment Facilities**

Tesoro Mandan Refinery	Mandan, ND	701-667-2556
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**APPENDIX B**  
**Spill Report Form**

**SPILL REPORT FORM**

Date of Spill: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Spill Discovery: \_\_\_\_\_

Time of Spill: \_\_\_\_\_

Time of Spill Discovery: \_\_\_\_\_

Name and Title of Discoverer: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of material spilled and manufacturer's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Legal Description of spill location: \_\_\_\_\_

Directions from nearest community: \_\_\_\_\_

Estimated volume of spill: \_\_\_\_\_

Weather conditions: \_\_\_\_\_

Topography and surface conditions of spill site: \_\_\_\_\_

Spill medium (pavement, sandy soil, water, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_

Proximity of spill to surface waters: \_\_\_\_\_

Did the spill reach a waterbody? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

If so, was a sheen present? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

Describe the causes and circumstances resulting in the spill: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Describe the extent of observed contamination, both horizontal and vertical (i.e., spill-stained soil in a 5-foot radius to a depth of 1 inch): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Describe immediate spill control and/or cleanup methods used and implementation schedule: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Current status of cleanup actions: \_\_\_\_\_

Name and Company for the following:

Construction Superintendent: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Spill Coordinator: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Enbridge Representative: \_\_\_\_\_

Person Who Reported the Spill: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Environmental Inspector: \_\_\_\_\_

Form completed by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Spill Coordinator must complete this for any spill, regardless of size, and submit the form to the Enbridge Representative within 24 hrs of the occurrence.**

Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan

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# **Environmental Guidelines for Construction**

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## INTRODUCTION

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<b>Scope</b>	This manual provides environmental guidelines and mitigation measures when planning and constructing new pipelines and facilities. It was developed based on the company's experience implementing best management practices during construction. In addition to the guidelines in this manual, site-specific project circumstances must be considered.
<b>Who Should Use this Manual</b>	This manual is primarily intended for Engineering and Operations employees and their contractors during planning and construction of new pipelines and facilities in Canada and the United States.
<b>Locating Information</b>	To locate information quickly, refer to the table of contents, which provides a cover-to-cover overview of the manual contents.
<b>Manual Custodian</b>	Safety & Environment, Enbridge Pipelines Inc., is the custodian of <i>Environmental Guidelines for Construction</i> .
<b>Relationship to Other Manuals</b>	This manual is maintained independent from the series of O&MP manuals. For a copy of this manual, contact Enbridge Pipelines Inc., Safety & Environment, at [780] 420-8436.
<b>Review and Revision</b>	This manual is reviewed and revised as necessary by new or different operating conditions and regulatory requirements.

## GLOSSARY

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aquifer	A natural underground geological formation, structure or layer (rock, sand or gravel) containing water. Are sources of groundwater for wells and springs.
aquifer recharge area	An area that allows water to enter an acquitter.
bentonite	A colloidal clay, expansible when moist, commonly used to provide a tight seal around a well casing.
clearing	The removal of all trees, brush, underbrush, vegetative growth, logs, deadwood, debris, rubbish and other objectionable matter.
construction ROW	A temporary right-of-way (ROW) acquired to accommodate construction, usually adjacent to and including a part of the permanent ROW.
control point	A location downstream of a spill site on a stream or river where containment and recovery operations can occur.
emergency	An unforeseen combination of circumstances or a disruption of normal operating conditions that poses a potential threat to human life, health, property and/or the environment if not contained, controlled or eliminated immediately.
environmental sensitivity maps	Maps that identify sensitive wildlife areas, waterfowl nesting areas, important fishing areas, irrigated lands, parks and water users along the pipeline system.
erosion	The wearing away of land surface by wind or water.
extra work space	Rectangular area adjacent to the right-of-way that, through an agreement with the landowner, is available for use during the construction period.
grubbing	The mechanical removal and disposal of surface organic debris, including stumps, roots and partially embedded rocks or boulders.
hazardous material	A material that, because of its quantity, concentration and physical or chemical characteristics, either individually or in combination with other substances is, or poses a threat to, the environment, humans or other living organisms.
heavy silt-laden	In general terms, when settling of sediment can be seen after a few minutes in a glass jar.
incident	An event affecting company operations that may be defined as an emergency or crisis.

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mulch	A layer of material (e.g., wood chips, straw, leaves) placed around plants to hold moisture, prevent weed growth, and enrich or sterilize the soil.
riparian habitat	Areas adjacent to a water supply such as a rivers, lakes or ponds with a different density, diversity, and productivity of plant and animal species relative to nearby uplands
sedimentation	The settling out of soil particles which are transported by water. Sedimentation occurs when water carrying soil particles slows for a sufficient amount of time to allow the particles to settle out.
soil erosion	The removal and loss of soil by the action of wind and water.
stumping	The mechanical removal and disposal of subsurface organic debris, including stumps, roots, rocks or boulders
topography	The size and slope of a site.
watercourse	The bed and shore of a river, stream, lake, creek, lagoon, swamp, marsh or other natural body of water, or a canal, ditch, or other man-made surface feature, whether it contains or conveys water continuously or intermittently.
well point	A hollow vertical tube, rod or pipe terminating in a perforated pointed shoe and fitted with a fine- mesh screen.
wetlands	An area that is saturated by surface or ground water with vegetation adapted for life under those soil conditions, as swamps, bogs, fens, marshes, and estuaries.

### Abbreviations

COSH	Canadian Occupational Safety and Health
CSA	Canadian Standards Association
DOL	Department of Labor
EPA	Environmental Protection Agency
MSDS	Material Safety Data Sheet
NEB	National Energy Board
NERC	National Emergency Response Center
NGL	natural gas liquids
OPA	Oil Pollution Act
OSHA	Occupational Safety and Health Administration
PLM	pipeline maintenance
WHMIS	Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System

## OVERVIEW of PRECONSTRUCTION

01-1

**Purpose** Protecting the environment, compliance with regulatory requirements and maintaining good landowner relations is of primary importance to the company. Careful and effective planning ensures compliance with environmental regulations, public and landowner concerns are addressed and potential long-range impacts are identified.

**Responsibilities** The project manager is responsible for ensuring workers clearly understand and follow the company policies and procedures in this manual throughout all phases of construction.

### Legislation



#### Canada

National Energy Board (NEB):

- Onshore Pipeline Regulations, latest edition

Land Use Regulations



#### United States

Department of Transportation (DOT), Pipeline Safety Regulations:

- Part 195, Transportation of Hazardous Liquids by Pipeline

Area contingency plan/regional contingency plan

Clean Air Act

Clean Water Act

Comprehensive Environmental Response Cleanup and Liability Act (CERCLA)

Emergency Planning and Community Right to Know Act (EPCRA)

Federal, state and local environmental agency regulations

National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)

Oil Pollution Act (OPA)

Safe Drinking Water Act

**PLANNING and PREPARATION**

01-2

**Purpose**

Project planning is an essential part of pipeline construction. Work activities are assessed to determine associated environmental issues and restrictions (e.g., wastes, water management). In addition, construction within environmentally sensitive areas must be planned on a site specific basis and special mitigative measures taken to minimize potential impacts.

**Requirements****Permits/Licenses/Approvals**

Apply for necessary licenses, permits and approvals well in advance of construction activities. Consult with the environment department to determine lead times for permits.

Typical situations that require environmental permits and/or regulatory approvals include:

- crossing environmentally sensitive areas, (e.g., watercourses, wetlands, cultural resources, endangered species, parks, nesting/denning areas)
- disturbing soil or vegetation
- hazardous waste generation, storage and disposal
- intrusive work in or adjacent to environmentally sensitive areas
- water appropriation (withdrawals) for hydrotests/dewatering
- discharging stormwater, hydrotest water or other waste water
- air emissions

**NOTE:** If permit requirements are more stringent than the requirements in this manual, the more restrictive requirements apply.



Before entering any land with regional land claims, obtain any necessary quarry and access permits.

**Notifications****Government Agencies**

Notify government agencies of pipeline work as specified in the conditions of approval, or as required by legislation, e.g., fish and wildlife authorities, downstream water users.

**NOTE:** Contact the environment department for a complete list of government agencies.

Notify public agencies before using public access routes, especially ditches and vegetated access-ways or dirt bed roadways that are subject to rutting. Take photos before construction begins to document the as-found condition of all access routes.

### **Landowners**

A company representative must contact landowners in advance to advise them of the scope of work and to discuss any special concerns. Determine lead time for notifications based on the nature and scope of the job and previous experience. Larger projects require longer lead time as landowner concerns and special approvals may need to be addressed.

### **Trappers**

Before entering their trapping areas, notify registered trappers of the right-of-way (ROW) location and planned activities.

### **Forestry and Logging**

Before clearing timber or beginning salvage operations, notify forestry or logging companies holding agreements, licenses or quotas.

Before construction, coordinate with local operators to haul merchantable timber.

### **Fish and Wildlife**

Notify fish and wildlife authorities:

- if construction activities will damage beaver ponds, dams and lodges, muskrat pushups, raptor nests, mineral licks, etc.
- before implementing habitat enhancement techniques

### **Water Users**

Notify downstream water users within the potential impact zone before instream activity at watercourse crossings, or before water withdrawal or discharge of hydrostatic test water.

### **Crossings**

Notify road, rail, utility and other pipeline owners to obtain crossing and road use agreements.

### **Pre-Job Meeting**

Before beginning construction, the project manager, or designate, must hold a pre-job meeting with engineering, safety and environment employees; inspectors; contractors; and government personnel to review:

- environmental concerns, mitigation measures, methods and regulations specific to the work
- the company's Environmental Policy
- contingency plans
- specific conditions on associated permits and regulatory approvals (e.g., public lands such as nation forest lands, wildlife areas, etc., and Indian lands)

### **Records**

#### **Line List**

Before construction begins, contractors must be provided with a Construction Line List that describes special requirements requested by landowners, e.g., timber salvage, topsoil segregation, restoration measures, fencing requirements.

#### **Permits**

Permits typically require the company to submit compliance reports at specified intervals during the project and upon project completion, to submit permit termination notices. These records should be retained with other appropriate project documentation in Engineering files.

## PROJECT SCHEDULING

01-3

**Purpose** The project schedule identifies the start and finish of construction, including the timing of individual activities. Poor scheduling can impact soil, fish and wildlife resources, and land uses such as agriculture, forestry and outdoor recreation.

**Guidelines**

**Spring Breakup**

Avoid construction during spring breakups to minimize surface disturbance and impacts on aquatic habitats and agricultural land. The cost of moving equipment also may be prohibitive, since most jurisdictions severely restrict loads allowed on roadways.

**Schedule Changes**

When projects are large or have serious impacts on stakeholders, notify environmental inspectors, landowners and government agencies if field conditions or work progress requires a change in the project schedule.

**Wet Areas**

For wet areas, consider scheduling work activities during frozen conditions (see Table 1).

**Table 1  
Frost Depths for Wet Areas**

Terrain	Minimum Frost Depth	
	cm	in.
loam soils	15	6
saturated silts or clays	30	12
muskeg	45	18
swamp, sloughs and shallow water	90	35

**Weather**

Where possible, schedule work during periods of low precipitation and runoff.

### **Fish and Wildlife Resources**

Cross wildlife habitats during periods of low sensitivity, or as defined by government agencies.

Investigate the potential for the presence of endangered species

Contact the environment department to establish timing constraints for construction activities. Schedule activities before or after periods of concern, within reason. For example, when planning clearing operations consider timing restraints, e.g., migratory bird nesting from May 15–Aug 15.

### **Agricultural Activities**

Coordinate work to minimize interference with agricultural operations and other activities such as spraying and fertilizing. Avoid construction during the irrigation season.

### **Burning**

Burn tree and shrub debris during low fire hazard season. This applies in forested areas, native prairies or other areas prone to wild fire, or as directed by government agencies.

### **Recreational Areas**

In recreational areas, schedule work during periods of low use if practical.

Near parks or campsites, schedule noisy activities between 0700–2000 hours, or as dictated by municipal bylaws.

### **Urban Areas**

In urban areas, coordinate activities that might affect the public with:

- landowners
- community associations
- municipal governments

Schedule noisy activities between 0700–2000 hours, or as dictated by municipal bylaws.

**SELECTING FACILITY SITES**

01-4

**Purpose**

Selecting the site for a new facility is primarily determined by existing company facilities. Where practical, new facilities are located within existing facility sites; however, where no company facilities exist, a new site must be selected. Poor site selection may result in regulatory constraints, construction difficulties, geotechnical concerns and landowner disturbance. Use these guidelines to evaluate new sites for facilities and sites on existing undisturbed company property.

**Guidelines****Alternative Sites**

When evaluating alternative facility site locations, consider the following factors:

- Ensure sites are adjacent to the proposed or existing company right-of-way (ROW), in a high and dry location.
- Minimize the requirements for access road and infrastructure (e.g., power) development.
- Minimize disrupting agricultural practices. Avoid locating sites near sensitive agriculture operations (e.g., in the middle of agricultural lands or near feedlots, dairy operations and chicken/turkey farms).
- Minimize disrupting wildlife habitat and avoid locations with site-specific critical wildlife habitat.
- Avoid sites where groundwater can become contaminated.
- Avoid wetlands and other areas where drainage could be a problem.

**NOTE:** In the USA, government agencies will authorize filling wetlands only in extreme cases.

- Avoid sites on native prairie where practical.
- Avoid sites near surface drainage channels (e.g., watercourses, ravines).
- Avoid sites that would require significant grading.
- Ensure subsurface soil conditions will provide adequate support for facility foundations.
- Minimize tree clearing.
- Ensure noise levels from the facility are below the maximum acceptable limits at the nearest residence.

- Maximize the distance of the facility from existing and proposed residences.
- Minimize the number of residences with unobstructed and partially obstructed lines of sight to the facility.
- Avoid locations where air emissions could become an issue.

## Procedure

1. Identify optimum and alternative facility site locations based on acceptable engineering and operational criteria ( e.g., hydraulics, power considerations).
2. Gather and review environmental information for the potential facility sites from, for example:
  - existing public data (e.g., wetland inventory maps, topographic maps)
  - company records
  - previous environmental assessments
  - monitoring programs
  - commissioned studies
3. Contact government agencies, local authorities, company representatives and landowners to identify concerns in the area of the potential facility sites.
4. Identify environmental concerns near the potential facility sites (see Table 1, Environmental Concerns, in 01-5, Selecting Routes).
5. Evaluate potential facility site locations.

**SELECTING ROUTES**

01-5

**Purpose**

Minimizing the adverse environmental effects of pipeline construction requires careful route selection. Poor route selection may result in regulatory constraints, construction difficulties, geotechnical concerns and potential land use conflicts. The preferred routing for a new pipeline is to utilize an existing right-of-way (ROW). However, where projects are not near an existing pipeline or where environmental sensitivities or land use prevent parallel routing, a new route must be selected. Use these guidelines to help select preferred and alternative routes for a new ROW and for routes that parallel an existing ROW.

**Guidelines****Environmentally Sensitive Areas*****Plant Species***

Assess any plant or community identified in supporting studies (e.g., rare plant species survey) and/or regulatory agency consultations as having special conservation status using the following criteria:

- position of the plant or community on the ROW
- relative rarity and local abundance of the plant or community
- growth habit, propagation strategy and habitat preferences of the plant or community

***Wildlife***

Identify species, preferred types of cover and boundaries of significant wildlife habitat(s).

Assess any wildlife species identified as having special conservation status or site-specific habitat using the following criteria:

- location of wildlife or habitat features on or near the ROW
- presence of topography features or vegetation to effectively separate the wildlife or habitat features from construction activities, e.g., assess nesting setbacks
- timing of construction versus the timing constraints for the species, e.g., nesting season
- potential to alter construction activities to minimize or avoid sensory disturbances

***Fish Habitats***

Assess any sensitive fish habitat identified in supporting studies using the following criteria:

- position of the fish habitat features with respect to a proposed crossing
- timing of construction versus the timing constraints for the fish species, e.g., spawning season
- potential to alter construction activities to minimize habitat disturbance

***Cultural Resources***

Assess archaeological, historical or paleontological resources identified in supporting studies using the following criteria:

- significance and depth of the resource site
- location of the resources with respect to the proposed route
- feasibility of alternate routes or sites that avoid the resource

**Evaluating Routes**

When identifying and evaluating routes within a corridor, consider the following factors:

- Minimize pipeline length in order to minimize potential disturbance and cost.
- Minimize the amount of steep terrain, sidehill and unstable terrain.
- Parallel existing pipelines, use existing rights-of-way or other linear developments, e.g., roads, cutlines, abandoned railroad.
- Avoid country residential subdivisions, industrial subdivisions and urban areas where practical.
- Minimize the number of watercourse crossings.
- Minimize crossings of native prairie.
- Minimize crossing high-quality woodlots.
- Cross watercourses as close as possible to right angles and where approach slopes are stable.
- Avoid, where possible, environmentally sensitive areas such as critical wildlife areas, natural areas, parks, archaeological or historical sites.

- Avoid, where practical, special land use areas, e.g., golf courses, research farms.
- Minimize crossings of muskegs, wetlands, lakes and sloughs.
- Avoid, where practical, farm buildings, farmsteads, well sites, aquifer recharge areas and shelterbelts.
- As much as possible, cross windbreaks and shelterbelts at right angles to minimize the width of the ROW to that necessary for the trench line and vehicle traffic.
- Cross roads and rail lines at or near right angles.
- Contact all affected government agencies, landowners and other concerned parties. Where appropriate, hold an open house(s) to inform these groups of the proposed project, route alternatives and associated environmental mitigation.
- When practical, modify the route to accommodate input from landowners, the public and regulatory agencies.

## Procedure

1. Identify the approximate corridor within which a number of possible routing alternatives for the proposed project may fall.
2. Gather and review environmental information for the proposed corridor from, for example:
  - existing public data
  - company records
  - report and monitoring programs
  - commissioned studies
3. Contact government agencies, local authorities, company representatives and landowners to identify general concerns within the corridor.
4. Identify environmental concerns within the corridor (see Table 1).
5. Identify and evaluate alternative routes within the corridor.
6. Select a preferred route from the alternatives.
7. Perform environmental assessment of preferred route.
8. Prepare formal applications and permits to jurisdictional/regulatory agencies for approval.

**Table 1**  
**Environmental Concerns**

Environmental Components	Considerations
geology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• depth of bedrock</li> <li>• stability of bedrock</li> <li>• stability of surficial deposits</li> </ul>
topography	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• landform (e.g., dunes, wetlands, hills and hummocks).</li> <li>• slope stability</li> <li>• topographic features (e.g., slopes, ravines, slides, slumps, fault zones)</li> </ul>
soils	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• classification</li> <li>• texture</li> <li>• previous chemical contamination and physical damage</li> <li>• agricultural capability</li> <li>• erodibility</li> <li>• suitability for reclamation</li> <li>• profile characteristics</li> </ul>
hydrology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• water table</li> <li>• surface and subsurface drainage</li> <li>• groundwater resources</li> </ul>
vegetation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• dominant species</li> <li>• rare and endangered species</li> <li>• weeds</li> <li>• specialty crops</li> <li>• native prairie or other native vegetation</li> <li>• relative crop productivity</li> <li>• extent of vegetation cover</li> <li>• timber merchantability</li> </ul>
wildlife	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• dominant species</li> <li>• species with special conservation status</li> <li>• critical habitats</li> <li>• sensitive periods</li> </ul>
watercourses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• named, unnamed and intermittent drainage courses</li> <li>• irrigation and drainage canals</li> <li>• bank and substrate composition</li> <li>• bank height and stability</li> <li>• riparian habitat</li> <li>• previous stream bed disturbance and construction</li> <li>• fish spawning, incubation, migration periods</li> <li>• navigable use</li> <li>• presence of contaminated substrate</li> <li>• location of municipal water intakes</li> <li>• licensed water uses</li> <li>• commercial or native fishing areas</li> </ul>

**Table 1—continued  
Environmental Concerns**

<b>Environmental Components</b>	<b>Considerations</b>
land uses/socio-economic	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• urban area</li> <li>• rural areas</li> <li>• country residential</li> <li>• industrial development</li> <li>• existing ROW</li> <li>• compensation and land value</li> <li>• drainage tile</li> <li>• irrigated areas, equipment needs</li> <li>• ecological, wildlife or preservation parks, designated natural areas and reserves</li> <li>• landfills, quarries or mines</li> <li>• specialized farming operations</li> <li>• designated campgrounds and recreation sites</li> <li>• First Nations</li> <li>• aesthetics</li> <li>• historical, archaeological, paleontological or other unique site designations</li> </ul>

## DETERMINING WORK SPACE

01-6

**Purpose** Right-of-way (ROW) width is a factor in the size of the pipeline installed and the appropriate equipment and construction methods used. An undersized ROW width can result in topsoil mixing with subsoils, slow work activities, and lead to damage off the ROW. Excessive ROW width results in unnecessary surface disturbance and greater restoration requirements.

**Responsibilities** The project manager is responsible for defining appropriate widths for the construction right-of-way and extra work space, to ensure there is sufficient space for project activities and to confine disturbance to defined areas.

**Requirements** All work must be carried out within the company's ROW and acquired extra work space. Any work beyond these limits requires landowner approval, work space agreements and/or special easements or permits.

### Guidelines

#### **Construction ROW Width**

ROW width for construction activities involving large-diameter pipe ( $\geq 20$  NPS) generally ranges from 26 m (85 ft) to 38 m (125 ft), depending on pipe size and construction environment (see Figure 1, Typical Construction of ROW).

Where a new pipeline will share an existing ROW with an operating pipeline, temporary ROW may be required to accommodate construction.

#### ***Environmentally Sensitive Areas***

In environmentally sensitive areas, restrict ROW width to the minimum required and design the project activity to conform to this width.

#### **Extra Work Space**

Extra work space outside the boundary of the construction ROW may be necessary for:

- bends and line crossings
- steep slopes and staging areas
- watercourses, wetlands and road crossings

- safety reasons
- assembling sections of pipe
- storing spoil material, topsoil or equipment

Extra work space must be acquired from the landowner under an agreement negotiated by the company or designate.

**NOTE:** Use of unauthorized work space is prohibited without written approval from the company and landowner.

In all cases, the size of extra work space must be kept to the minimum necessary to safely conduct work.

### ***Watercourses***

Locate extra work spaces a minimum of 16 m (50 ft) away from the water's edge if practical, depending on topographic or other physical conditions such as stream channel meanders (see Figure 2, Typical Extra Workspace Waterbody or Wetland Crossing <50 ft Wide). Any deviations in size or location required by the contractor's crossing plan is subject to site-specific approval from the environment department or its field representative.

Vegetation between an extra work space and a watercourse must remain undisturbed.



**USA**

### ***Wetlands***

Locate extra work spaces a minimum of 16 m (50 ft) away from wetland boundaries if possible, depending on topographic conditions (see Figure 3, Typical Extra Workspace Waterbody or Wetland Crossing >50 ft Wide). If conditions do not allow for a 16 m (50-ft) setback, locate extra work spaces as far away from the wetland as practicable with approval from the environment department.



**CAN**

Establish wetland boundaries, buffer areas or setbacks in consultation with the environment department and regulatory agencies.

### ***Road and Rail Crossings***

Additional extra work spaces similar to watercourses and wetlands are often necessary adjacent to road and railway crossings (see Figures 4, Typical Extra Workspace Bored Road or Railroad Crossing and Figure 5, Typical Extra Workspace Open-Cut Road Crossing).

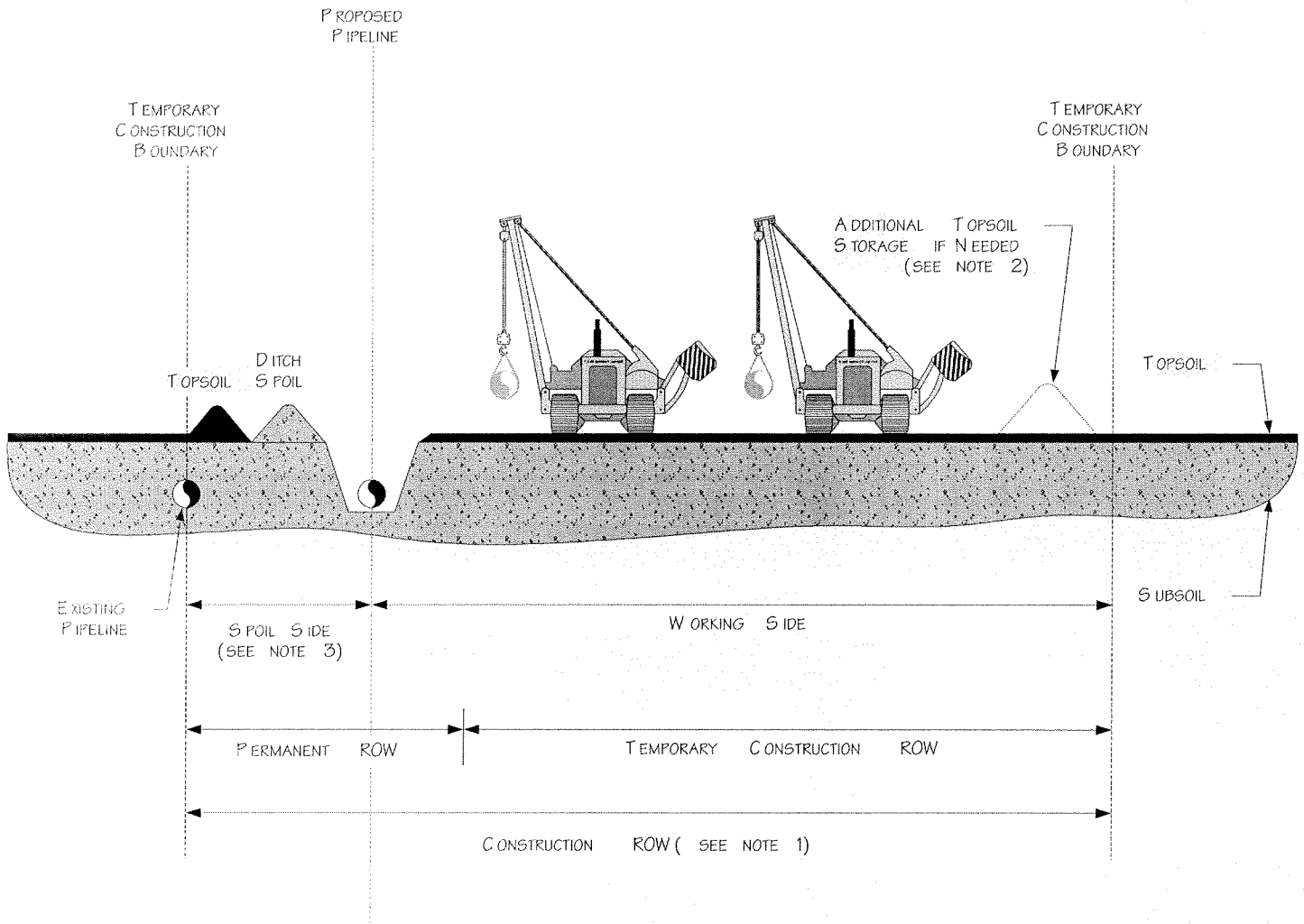
**Procedure**

1. Determine the area required for spoil piles and topsoil piles considering the following factors:
  - ground cover
  - topsoil depth and stripping width
  - bulking factor
  - trench shape
  - trench wall stability
  - trenching method
  - trench depth and width (spoil)
  - storage pile separation
  - equipment track width
2. Determine space requirements for setup areas, working lane and passing lane (see Figure 6, Right of Way Widths).
3. Determine the standard construction ROW width and any locations requiring extra work space or where special work activities require extra storage space for the use of larger equipment.

**NOTE:** Table 1 shows the factors to consider when determining ROW width.

**Table 1  
Right-Of-Way Width Factors**

<b>ROW Factors</b>	<b>Less ROW</b>	<b>More ROW</b>
number of pipelines • multiple		X
pipe diameter • small • large	X	X
working space • crossings • expansion loops • passing land		X X X
slash disposal • burning • rollback, mulch, chip	X	X
topsoil stripping • depth 10 cm (4 in.) min 30 cm (12 in.) max • lift 2 lift 3 lift	X  X	X  X
grading • none • extensive	X	X
trench material • clay • sand	X	X
depth of cover • 1 m (3 ft) • 3 m (10 ft)	X	X
water table • low • high	X	X



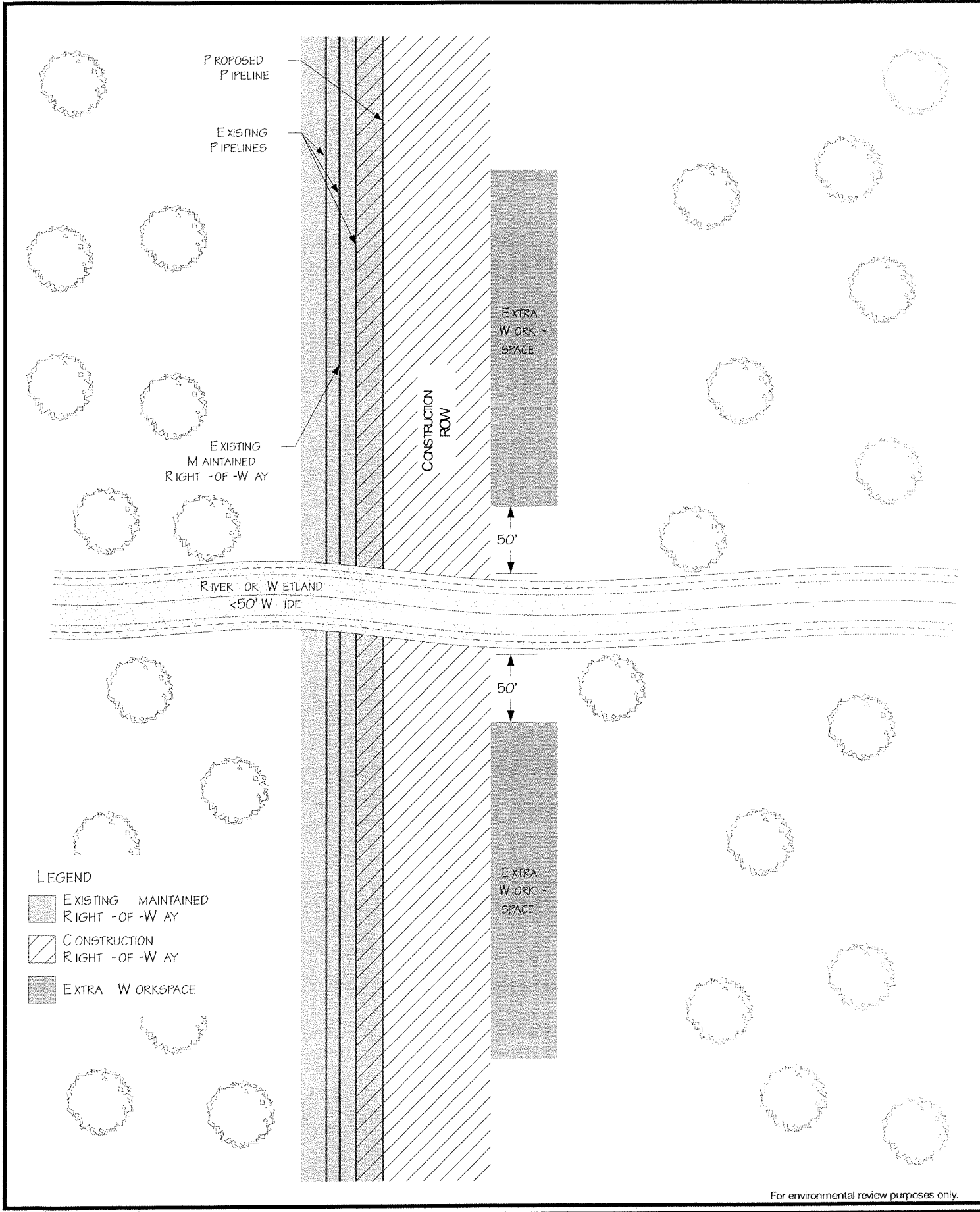
PROFILE

NOTES :

1. THIS DRAWING REFLECTS "DITCH PLUS SPOIL SIDE" TOPSOIL STRIPPING PROCEDURE .
2. STOCKPILE TOPSOIL SEPARATELY FROM DITCH SPOIL AS SHOWN OR IN OTHER CONFIGURATIONS APPROVED BY THE COMPANY .
3. THE OFFSET FROM NORTHERNMOST OR SOUTHERNMOST EXISTING PIPELINE , WHERE APPLICABLE , WILL BE 20' FOR MOST LOCATIONS BUT MAY BE INCREASED OR DECREASED DEPENDING ON THE SITE SPECIFIC CONSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS .

**Figure 1**

Typical Construction Right-of-Way

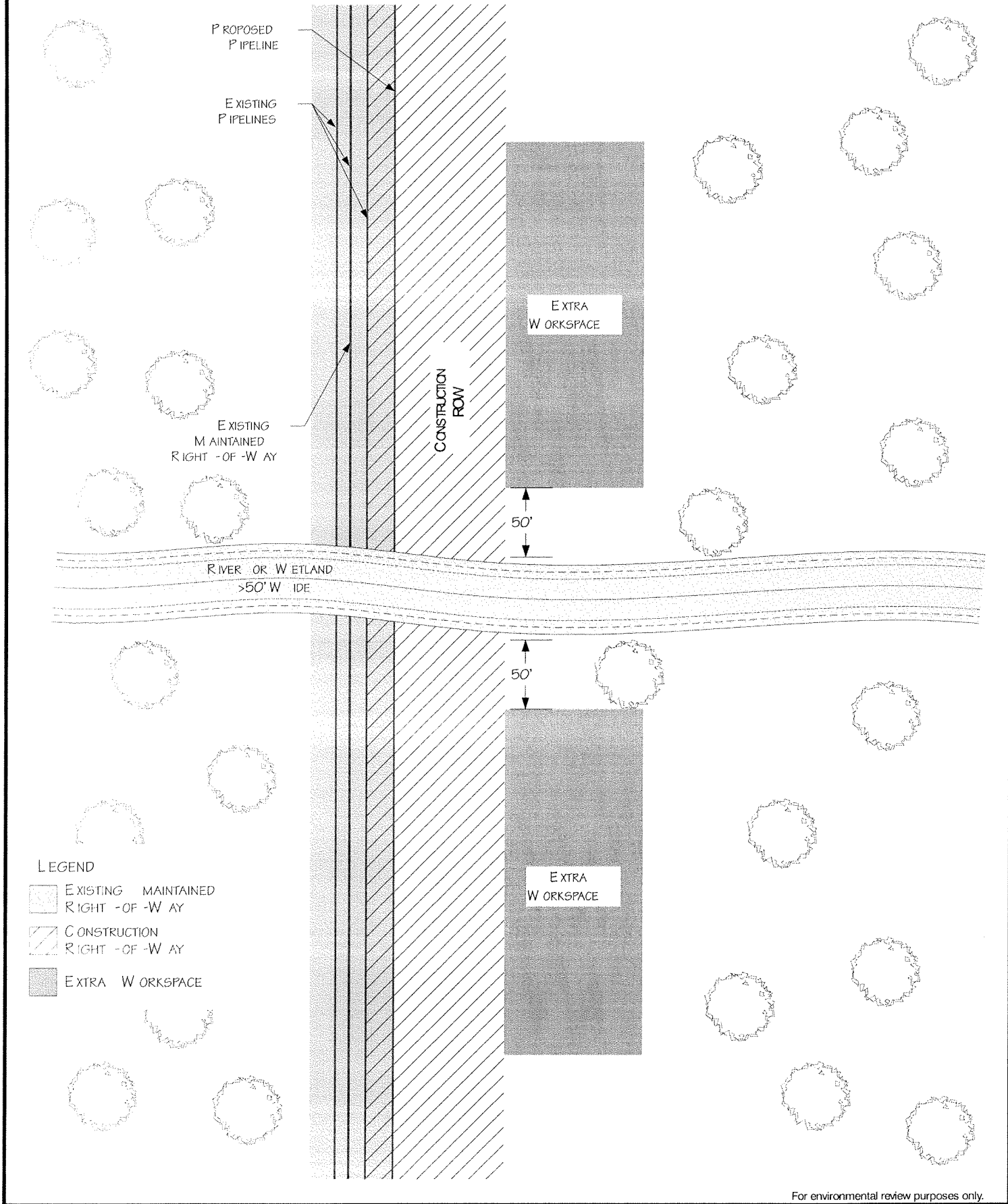


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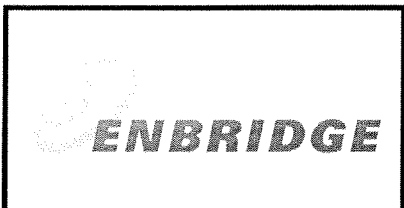
**Figure 2**

Typical Extra Workspace Waterbody or Wetland Crossing < 50 Feet Wide

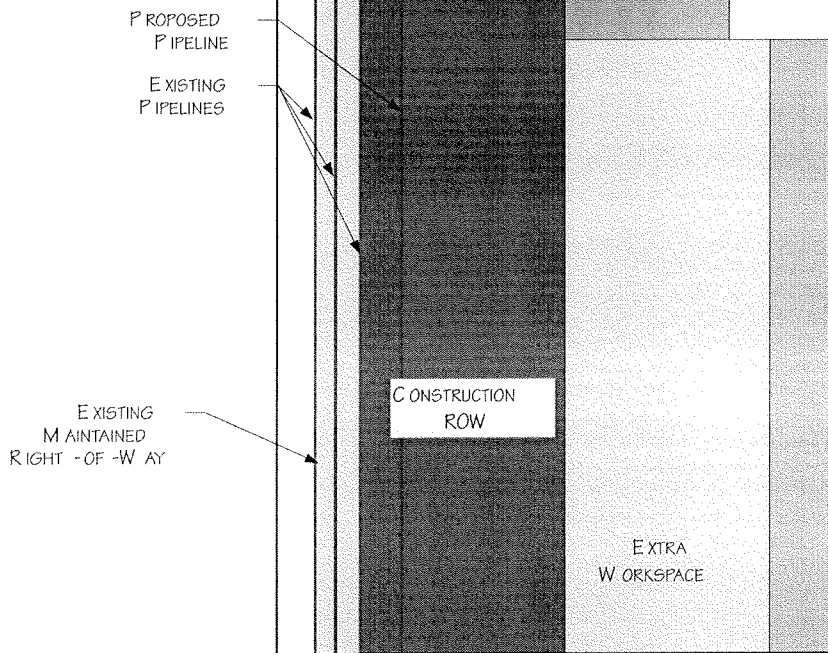




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**Figure 3**  
 Typical Extra Workspace Waterbody or Wetland Crossing >50 Feet Wide



HIGHWAY OR  
RAILROAD

EXTRA  
WORKSPACE

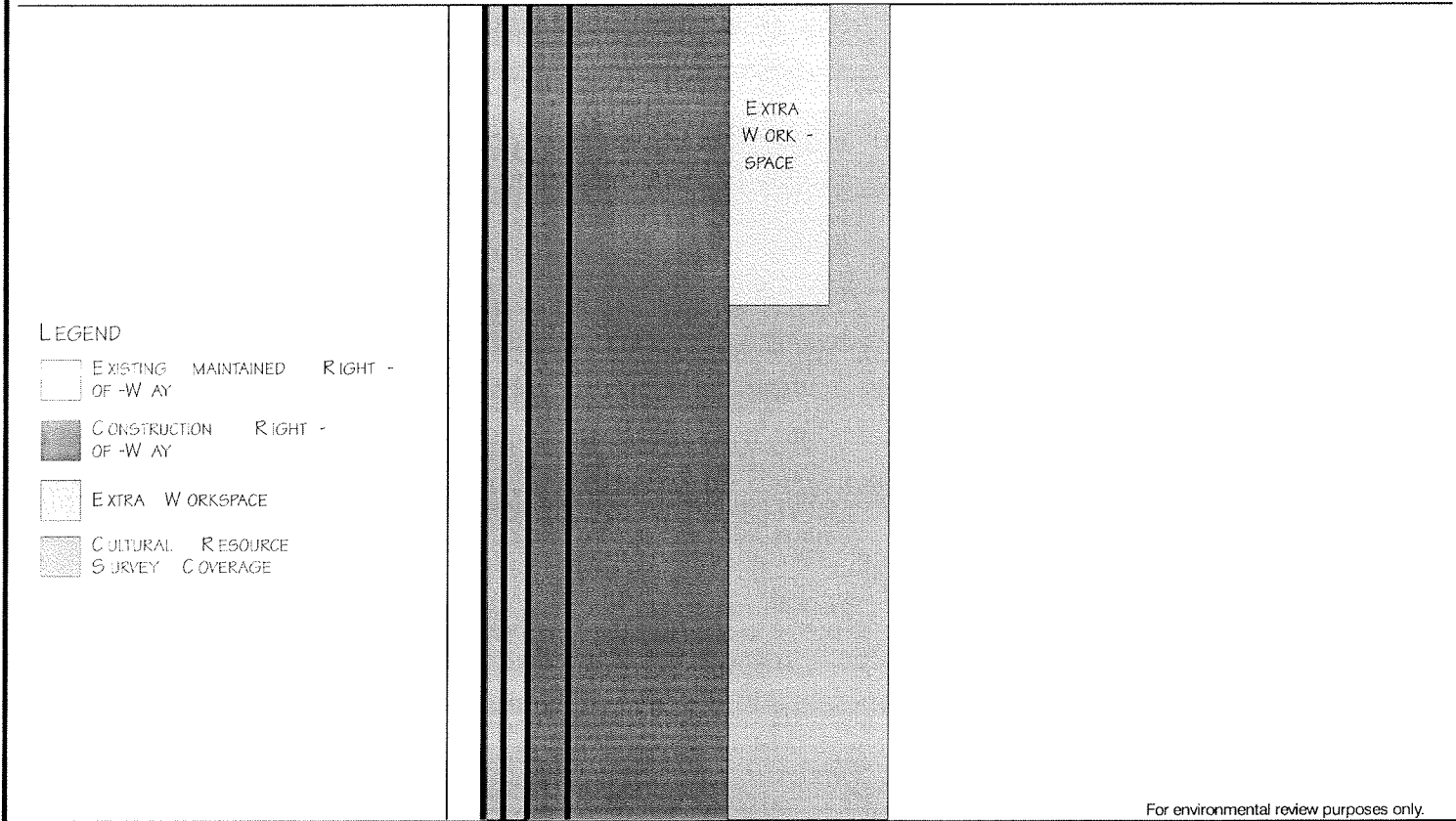
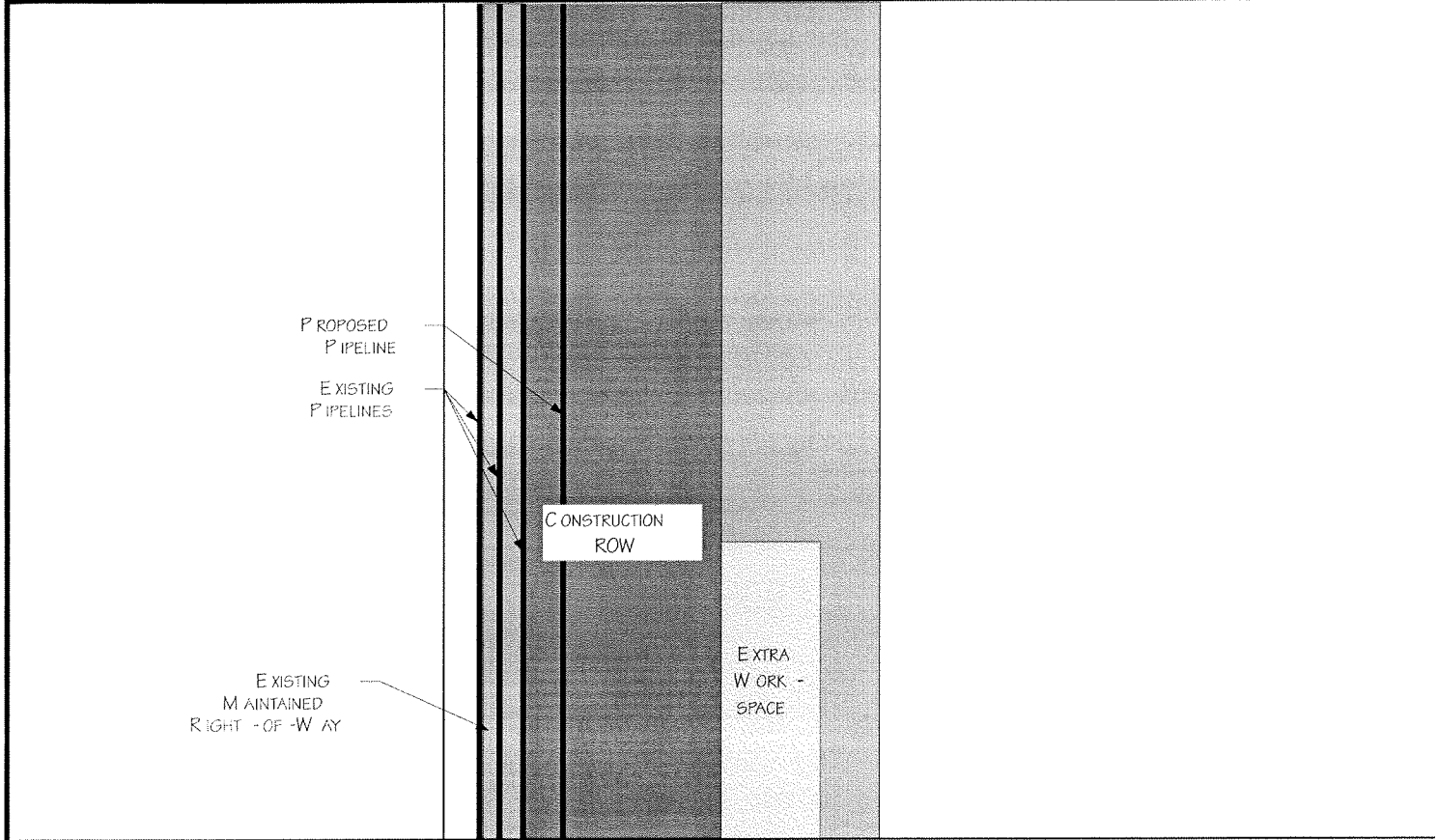
LEGEND

-  EXISTING MAINTAINED RIGHT-OF-WAY
-  CONSTRUCTION RIGHT-OF-WAY
-  EXTRA WORKSPACE
-  CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY COVERAGE





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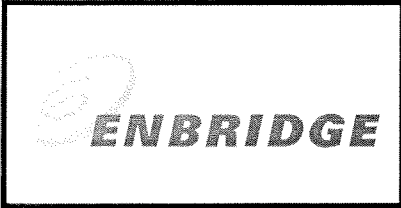
**Figure 4**  
Typical Extra Workspace  
Bored Road or Railroad Crossing



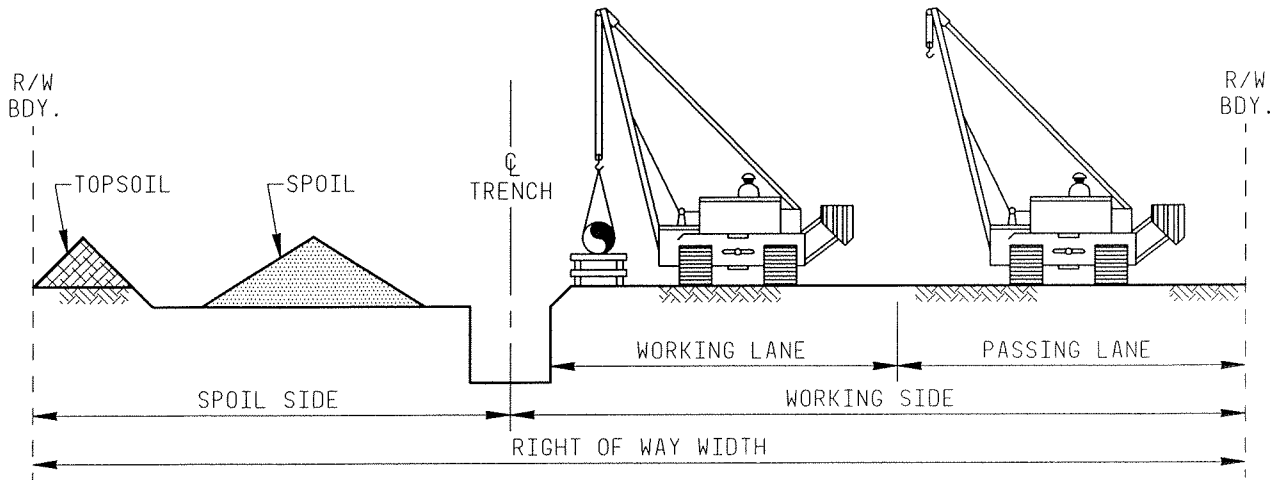
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-  CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY COVERAGE

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**Figure 5**  
 Typical Extra Workspace  
 Open-Cut Road Crossing



## PROFILE

**NOTES:**

1. DETERMINE STANDARD RIGHT OF WAY WIDTH AND LOCATIONS REQUIRING ADDITIONAL TEMPORARY WORK SPACE PRIOR TO CONSTRUCTION. MERCHANTABLE TIMBER CAN THEN BE CLEARED AND SALVAGED, AND TOPSOIL CAN BE STRIPPED AND STOCKPILED SEPARATELY FROM SPOIL.
2. TWO LIFT SOIL HANDLING REFERS TO TOPSOIL SALVAGE FOLLOWED BY TRENCHING TO THE FULL DEPTH OF THE TRENCH.
3. THREE LIFT SOIL HANDLING REFERS TO TOPSOIL SALVAGE, FOLLOWED BY THE SALVAGE OF AN UPPER DESIRABLE LIFT OF SUBSOIL AND THEN THE LOWER UNDESIRABLE SUBSOIL. THE THREE LIFTS ARE PILED SEPERATELY AND ARE RETURNED TO THE TRENCH SEQUENTIALLY.

### RIGHT OF WAY CONSIDERATIONS

	LESS R/W	MORE R/W		LESS R/W	MORE R/W
A) NO OF PIPELINES			- LIFT - 2 LIFT	X	
- SINGLE	X		- 3 LIFT		X
- MULTIPLE		X			
B) PIPE DIAMETER			F) GRADING	X	
- SMALL	X		- NONE		
- LARGE		X	- EXTENSIVE		X
C) WORKING SPACE			G) TRENCH MATERIAL	X	
- CROSSINGS		X	- CLAY		
- EXPANSION LOOPS		X	- SAND		X
- PASSING LANE		X	- ROCK (BLASTING)		X
D) SLASH DISPOSAL			H) DEPTH OF COVER	X	
- BURNING	X		- 1m		
- ROLLBACKS, MULCH, CHIP		X	- 3m		X
E) TOPSOIL STRIPPING			I) WATER TABLE	X	
- WIDTH - NONE	X		- LOW		
- FULL R/W		X	- HIGH		X
- DEPTH - 10cm (MIN)	X				
- 30cm (MAX)		X			

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**Figure 6**  
Right-of-Way Widths

## DETERMINING AREA for SOIL STORAGE

01-7

### Purpose

Depths and widths of ditch and topsoil stripping must be established during the planning stage of construction to ensure adequate workspace is acquired for soil storage.

### Requirements

#### Soil Survey

Base the depths of topsoil to be stripped on a soil survey (CAN), or soils maps (USA), since segregating soils solely by field observation could result in soil mixing and loss of agricultural capability.

**NOTE:** Lack of technical information related to stripping depths and widths, and consequently volumes, may result in the insufficient acquisition of right-of-way (ROW) or temporary working space.

### Procedure



1. Commission a soil survey to establish topsoil depths, agricultural capability and locations with problem soils that require special handling.

**NOTE:** In Canada, for assistance in obtaining this information, contact Safety & Environment.

2. Identify all land uses along the proposed route by reviewing, for example, route sheets, topographical maps or aerial surveys.
3. Determine the amount of grading required.
4. Identify the preferred width of topsoil stripping based on:
  - soil survey
  - agricultural capability
  - land uses
  - season of construction
  - regulatory requirements
5. Calculate the width of the spoil pile using the formula:

$$\text{Width of spoil pile base (W)} = \sqrt{6A}$$

**Where:**

A	=	(x-t) yb (cross-sectional area of spoil pile)
x	=	depth of trench
t	=	depth of topsoil
y	=	width of trench
b	=	bulking factor (1.2 for trenchers, 1.3 for backhoes)

e.g.,

**Where:**

x	=	1.2 m (3.9 ft) depth of trench
t	=	15 cm (6 in) depth of topsoil
y	=	.91 m (3 ft) width of trench
b	=	1.3 (backhoe)
A	=	(1.2-.15) (.91) (1.3)
	=	1.24 m <sup>2</sup>

**Then:**

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Width of spoil pile base (W)} &= \sqrt{6A} \\
 &= \sqrt{6(1.24)} \\
 &= \sqrt{7.45} \\
 &= 2.73 \text{ m}
 \end{aligned}$$

- Determine the width of topsoil stripping (see 02-5, Topsoil Stripping and Segregation).
- Calculate the width of the topsoil pile, using the formula:

$$\text{Width of topsoil pile base (W)} = 1.4 \sqrt{6A}$$

**Where:**

A	=	ztb (cross-sectional area of topsoil pile)
z	=	width stripped of topsoil
t	=	depth of topsoil
b	=	bulking factor (1.1 for cultivated land, 1.2 for pasture)

**NOTE:** The width of a topsoil pile pushed by a dozer is 1.4 times the width of the same pile if deposited by a conveyor  
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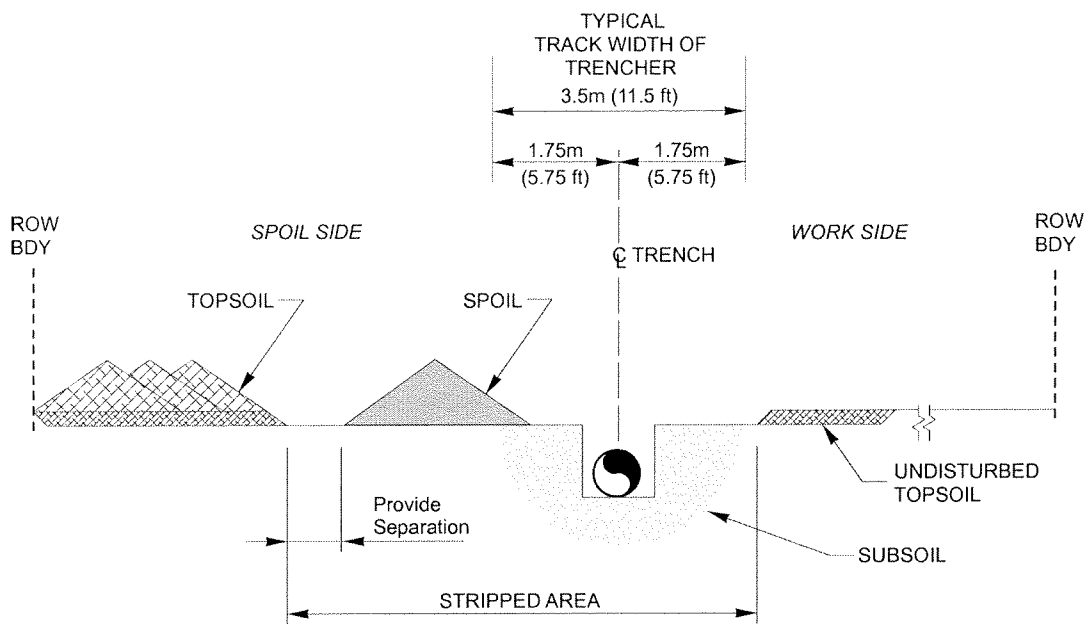
**Where:**

z	=	7 m (22.97 ft) width stripped of topsoil
t	=	15 cm (6 in) depth of topsoil
b	=	1.1 (cultivated land)
A	=	(7) (.15) (1.1)
	=	1.16 m <sup>2</sup>

**Then:**

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Width of topsoil pile base } (W) &= 1.4\sqrt{(6)1.6} \\
 &= 1.4\sqrt{6.93} \\
 &= (1.4)(2.64) \\
 &= 3.69 \text{ m}
 \end{aligned}$$

8. Calculate the ROW and temporary workspace requirements (see 01-6, Determining Workspace).
9. Adjust calculations if:
  - any of the assumptions cannot be made (see Figure 1)
  - a stripping technique other than trench and spoil is used
  - special subsoil handling procedures are required



**PROFILE**

**NOTES**

This drawing is based on trench and topsoil stripping and assumes:

- topsoil is stripped with a blade
- trench wall is excavated and spoil is stored with a wheel trencher
- trench walls are stable and can be cut vertically

**Figure 1  
Stripping and Storage Requirements**

## OVERVIEW of CONSTRUCTION

02-1

### Purpose

This tab includes guidelines to ensure environmental protection and regulatory compliance during pipeline construction activities. In addition to the guidelines in this tab, site-specific project circumstances that necessitate alternate procedures must be considered.

### Legislation



#### Canada

National Energy Board (NEB):

- Onshore Pipeline Regulations, latest edition



#### United States

Department of Transportation (DOT), Pipeline Safety Regulations:

- Part 195, Transportation of Hazardous Liquids by Pipeline

Area contingency plan/regional contingency plan

Clean Air Act

Clean Water Act

Comprehensive Environmental Response Cleanup and Liability Act (CERCLA)

Emergency Planning and Community Right to Know Act (EPCRA)

Federal, state and local environmental agency regulations

National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)

Oil Pollution Act (OPA)

Safe Drinking Water Act

- 1) Survey and Staking
- 2) Clearing
- 3) Front-End Grading
- 4) ROW/Topsoil Stripping
- 5) Restaking Centerline of Trench
- 6) Trenching (wheel ditcher)
- 7) Trenching (rock)
- 8) Radding Trench Bottom
- 9) Stringing Pipe
- 10) Field Bending Pipe
- 11) Line-Up, Initial Weld
- 12) Fill & Cap, Final Weld
- 13) As-Built Footage
- 14) X-Ray Inspection, Weld Repair
- 15) Coating Field Welds
- 16) Inspection & Repair of Coating
- 17) Lowering Pipe into Trench
- 18) As-Built Survey
- 19) Pad, Backfill, Rough Grade
- 20) Hydrostatic Testing, Final Tie-In
- 21) Replace Topsoil, Final Clean-up, Full Restoration



**Figure 1**  
Typical Pipeline Construction Steps



**GENERAL MITIGATION MEASURES**

02-2

**Purpose**

Poor construction practices could result in short- or long-term environmental impacts. Further, these impacts could slow down construction, increase project costs, irritate landowners, or result in government agencies halting working or imposing fines that may jeopardize future approvals in the region.

This subject outlines general environmental mitigation measures that apply at all times throughout the construction project.

**NOTE:** For information on safety-related standards and procedures required throughout construction:

- for company employees, see Book 2: Safety
- for contractors, see the Contractor Safety Manual (CAN) or the Construction Safety Program (USA)

**Guidelines****Planning and Preparation**

Before beginning construction activities, the project manager, or designate, must ensure:

- workers clearly understand the environmental concerns, regulations and conditions specific to the work
- conditions on various permits are consistent
- applicable permits, licenses and approvals are filed or posted at the construction site

**NOTE:** For more information on project planning, see 01-2, Planning and Preparation.

**Worksite Access**

Confine all construction equipment and vehicles to the designated right-of-way (ROW), extra work space, existing public roads and approved temporary access roads.

**Wetlands**

Install a shoofly around wetlands or, in consultation with government agencies, construct a temporary access road along the working side of the construction ROW. Restrict access through wetlands to the shoofly or access road to the extent practical.

### **Watercourses**

Locate temporary access roads as far from the watercourse as practical to minimize clearing and grading near the watercourse.

### **Traffic and Roads**

Place appropriate protective materials (e.g., tires) when crossing roads, sidewalks and railways to minimize damage by tracked equipment. Install asphalt ramps on sidewalk curbs if required.

### **Noise and Dust Control**

Ensure that noise abatement equipment on machinery is in good working order. If excessive noise becomes a nuisance to nearby residents, implement measures such as equipment alterations, erect noise barriers, or change the work schedule.

Take reasonable measures to control construction-related noise and dust near residential areas and other areas as directed by the company. Control measures for dust may include watering down the ROW, and suspending topsoil stripping and replacement during strong winds.

### **Highway and Road Crossings**

Avoid open-cutting roads where other practical options exist. If an open cut is the best option, take photos before construction begins to document the as-found condition of the road.

**NOTE:** When weighing alternatives, consideration must be given to log hauling in forested areas and harvest operations in agricultural areas.

Install appropriately sized culverts where needed under access ramps in bar ditches.

Prevent tracking mud onto roadway crossings. After equipment crosses, shovel or sweep off any mud tracked onto a roadway and place within a sediment barrier as soon as possible, but no longer than 24 hrs after discovery.

**NOTE:** For more information on sediment barriers, see 02-14, Temporary Sediment Barriers.

## Noxious Weeds

To minimize the risk of spreading undesirable weeds within the construction ROW:

- provide contractors and inspectors with information to help identify noxious weeds
- provide environmental inspectors with training to identify and prevent the spread of undesirable species
- flag areas containing noxious weeds during preconstruction walkovers
- before starting clearing/grading, use weed burners or herbicides to destroy infestations
- minimize the construction equipment used, and limit the number of passes the equipment makes through the infested areas
- place mats (i.e. construction mats, swamp mats) over infested areas to minimize construction equipment transporting weed or plant material. Ensure mats are free of soil, vegetation and debris prior to removing from site.
- ensure equipment is free of soil, vegetation and debris before arriving and leaving the site. If necessary set up cleaning stations to wash equipment.
- do not allow soil and water from cleaning the equipment to flow to uninfested areas
- during grading operations, strip the full ROW width and contain the spoil pile containing noxious weeds to prevent mixing with the surrounding soil during regrading and cleanup

## Hazardous Materials

The project manager, in consultation with the Safety and Environment department, must consider the need for the contractor to develop response plans, e.g., spill response, emergency response, fire response.

**NOTE:** For more information on handling hazardous materials:

- for company employees, see Book 2: Safety, Tab 08, Hazardous Materials
- for contractors, see the Contractor Safety Manual (CAN) or the Construction Safety Program (USA)

Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) for all hazardous materials onsite must be readily available.

All hazardous materials onsite must be properly stored and labeled with, as a minimum, the:

- product contents
- hazard warning

Workers must be trained in the identification and safe handling of hazardous materials onsite.

If a fuel or hazardous material spill occurs, immediately notify the project manager (CAN) or implement the Spill Prevention, Containment and Control Plan (USA).

### ***Transportation***

Fuel trucks must not access any sections of the ROW where the risk of a fuel truck accident is high, e.g., steep slopes and difficult watercourse crossing approaches.

Vehicles transporting more than 200 L (CAN) or 119 gal (USA) of fuel or hazardous materials to unmanned pipeline locations and/or ROW work sites should be equipped with spill kits containing at a minimum:

- a shovel
- 30 m<sup>2</sup> (36 sq yd) of 6-mil polyethylene sheeting
- 25 kg (55 lb) of absorbent

### ***Watercourses and Wetlands***

Do not store hazardous materials, chemicals, fuels or lubricating oils or perform concrete coating activities within 30 m (100 ft) of watercourses or wetlands.

Cure concrete coating on the pipe for a minimum of 3 days before installation in a wetland, due to potential toxic effects on wildlife.

### **Refueling/Equipment Care**

To minimize the risk of fuel spills:

- ensure containers for fuel or hazardous materials and any attached hoses and nozzles are free of leaks
- station equipment/fuel truck operators at both ends of a hose during fueling of equipment, unless the ends are visible and are readily accessible by one operator
- drain any fuel remaining in a hose into the storage container
- ensure the hose nozzle has an automatic shutoff

### ***Watercourses and Wetlands***

Do not wash equipment or machinery in or within 30 m (CAN) or 100 ft (USA) of watercourses or wetlands. Where this is not possible, adequate spill response equipment must be available.

Before using equipment near a watercourse, inspect hydraulic, fuel and lubrication systems to ensure they are in good condition and free of leaks.

Service and refuel mobile construction equipment on road allowances or on company property, maintaining a minimum of 30 m (CAN) or 100 ft (USA) from watercourses or wetlands. Stationary equipment within this zone must have an impervious means of secondary containment in place.

### **Fire Prevention**

Maintain vehicle exhaust and engine systems in good repair, and park vehicles in a manner that minimizes the risk of igniting dried grass or other combustible material.

Immediately report accidental fires to the appropriate government authorities or landowners. All equipment and workers must be made available to control a fire.

When the fire hazard is rated high or extreme, the following are prohibited on the ROW:

- vehicles parking on tall grass or stubble
- fires
- dropping cigarette butts and used welding rods on the ground

Maintain water trucks on the ROW when the fire hazard is rated high or extreme.

**NOTE:** The stripping, welding, and coating operations may each need a water truck and delivery system.

### **Waste**

Collect and dispose of all general waste and construction refuse daily at an approved facility. Waste containers must accompany each working unit. Do not dispose of waste in the trench.

Locate temporary toilets at convenient locations on/along the construction site.

At the end of each day, leave the construction site in a tidy and organized condition.

### **Environmentally Sensitive Areas**

**NOTE:** The following environmental protection measures are guidelines only. The environment department will plan and prepare site-specific and detailed mitigative measures.

#### ***Watercourses and Wetlands***

Where grading or spoil could block natural drainage and lead to ponding, install culverts at appropriate locations.

#### ***Wildlife***

Do not harass or feed wildlife or livestock.

Do not allow pets on the ROW.

Report encounters or collisions with wildlife to Fish and Wildlife authorities or the local police department.

Where habitat degradation cannot be avoided, salvage and transplant vegetation or native seed of critical importance to the species.

#### ***Cultural Resources***

If potential artifacts or fossils are discovered anytime during construction work activities:

- suspend the work activity
- immediately contact the project manager
- fence or flag off the area

Do not remove artifacts from the site.

#### ***Plant Species***

If rare plant species with special conservation status is identified, consider implementing the following mitigative measures:

- fence or flag off the area
- temporarily cover the site with geotextile pads, fluxnet or swamp mats
- propagate plants or portions of the plant community via vegetative or reproductive means (e.g., harvesting seeds, collecting cuttings or transplanting plants)

***Fish Habitats***

If sensitive fish habitat is identified, consider implementing the following mitigative measure:

- alter the construction method to use isolated crossing techniques, e.g., partial bypass or trenchless crossing technique
- implement temporary and/or permanent erosion control measures to prevent increased sediment loading
- alter the equipment crossing to minimize disturbance, e.g., use existing bridges, or install temporary bridge

**Purpose**

Before construction activities begin, the right-of-way (ROW) boundaries are surveyed and clearly marked. In certain circumstances, surveyors make minor routing adjustments to avoid small problem areas. Extra work space to accommodate specific construction activities is also surveyed and marked.

Although surveyors generally cause minimal environmental impact, the primary concern is that they are given appropriate direction regarding standard ROW width, location of extra work space, and adjustments to navigate around environmentally sensitive areas. Potential impacts related to slopes and side hills, road and watercourse crossings, special areas of concern, and aesthetics can be overcome by route modifications and minor field adjustments.

**Guidelines****Notification**

Notify landowners and government authorities of intent to conduct a survey.

**NOTE:** For more information on requirements before surveying, see 01-2, Planning and Preparation.

**Staking and Flagging**

Surveyors are responsible to mark ROW boundaries and extra work spaces with stakes and flags. Increase the use of stakes, if appropriate, in environmentally sensitive areas.

Maintain stakes and flagging throughout construction activities.

Ensure the size and shape of the area surveyed is appropriate for construction, see 01-6, Determining Work Space. Advise the project manager of areas that are inadequate and that require additional temporary work space.

**Wetlands**

Stake, flag and/or fence limits of the ROW through all wetlands in a manner that (a) identifies start and end points and (b) prevents encroachment on the surrounding area.

### **Environmentally Sensitive Areas**

Before beginning construction, identify, survey and fence, or flag off:

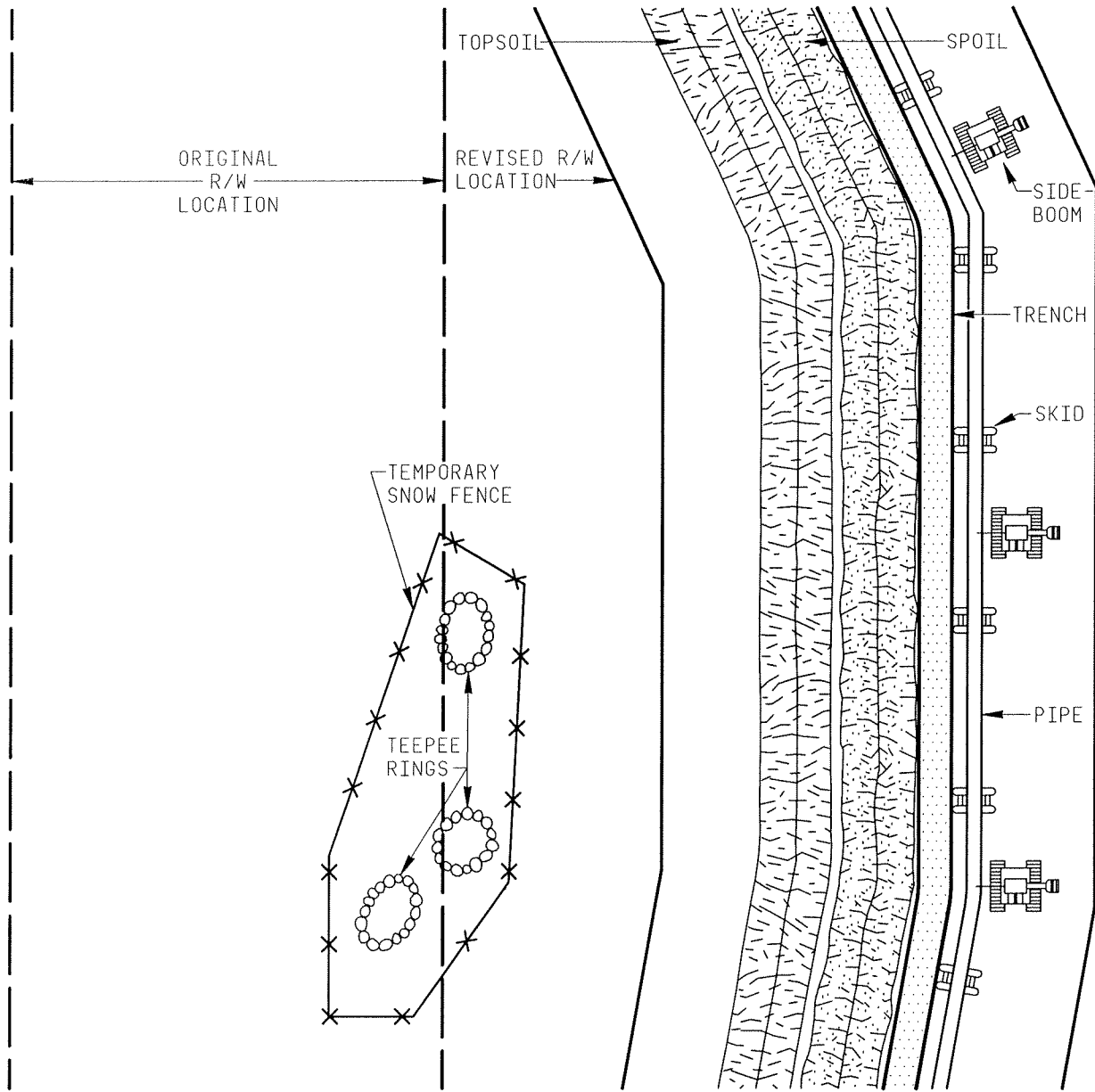
- archaeological, paleontological or historical sites (see Figure 1, Realignment for Environmentally Sensitive Areas)
- rare plant species and important wildlife habitat

Use short stakes to reduce cattle's attention where appropriate.

### **Route Adjustments**

Surveyors should adjust the ROW survey to avoid sidehills, environmentally sensitive areas, poor watercourse crossing approaches, shelterbelts, buildings or other structures and significant features.

Verify any route adjustments with the project manager before leaving the field to ensure all company concerns are addressed.



PLAN VIEW

NOTES:

1. REALIGN RIGHT OF WAY OR TEMPORARY WORK SPACE TO AVOID SIGNIFICANT FEATURES.
2. OBTAIN PERMISSION FROM LANDOWNER AND/OR GOVERNMENT AUTHORITY TO RE-ROUTE AROUND SITE.
3. FENCE KNOWN ARCHAEOLOGICAL OR HISTORICAL SITES, SHELTERBELTS, SHADE TREES, DUGOUTS OR OTHER ENVIRONMENTALLY SENSITIVE AREAS TO BE PRESERVED.
4. SURVEY REALIGNMENT.

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**Figure 1**  
 Realignment for  
 Environmentally Sensitive Areas

**CLEARING and GRUBBING**

02-4

**Purpose**

Clearing is the first major surface disturbance associated with pipeline construction. Clearing and grubbing involve removing trees, roots and stumps, brush and other vegetation from the right-of-way (ROW) ground surface. Poor clearing practices can damage the ROW, slow construction progress and complicate ROW restoration.

**Guidelines****Clearance Width**

Clear only the width needed for construction. Do not clear beyond marked ROW boundaries.

**NOTE:** For information on defining space required and acquiring temporary workspace, see 01-6, Determining Workspace.

**Equipment**

Clearing may be accomplished by:

- hand cutting
- bulldozers
- harvesting machinery

Use clearing equipment that minimizes surface disturbance, soil compaction and topsoil loss, e.g., equipment with low ground pressure tracks or tires, blade shoes and brush attachments.

To grub tree roots, use bulldozers equipped with brush rakes.

**NOTE:** Do not grub trees growing over an existing pipeline.

**Winter Conditions**

In winter, consider using bulldozers equipped with shearing blades to cut nonmerchantable timber flush to the ground.

**NOTE:** This minimizes the need for grubbing in areas other than the trench line if the root balls are frozen into the ground.

### **Fences and Gates**

Before clearing the ROW, dismantle existing fences and livestock barriers in accordance with landowner agreements to allow access for construction equipment (see 02-9, Fences and Temporary Gates).

Install temporary gates and/or fences where necessary to maintain access restrictions.

### **Noxious Weeds**

To prevent spreading undesirable plant species to the project area, construction equipment must be clean when it arrives at the site (see 02-2, General Mitigation Measures).

### **Trees and Shelterbelts**

Fall trees parallel to the ROW. Fall bordering trees onto the cleared ROW to prevent damaging existing property, pipelines, adjacent trees and brush.

Save ornamental trees, wind breaks and shelterbelts on the ROW as much as possible or as per landowner agreements by boring underneath or transplanting.

Protect ornamental or other significant trees adjacent to the ROW from damage with flags, fencing or signs, or, if appropriate, by placing a minimum of 750 mm (30 in.) of topsoil over the roots within the dripline.

### **Slopes**

On erosion-prone or steep slopes, consider:

- postponing clearing until immediately before pipe stringing
- leaving a temporary uncleared buffer zone extending back from the crest
- hand clearing or using slope harvesters, which leaves stumps and roots in place

Hand clear slopes leading to watercourses, going no closer than 16 m (50 ft) from the watercourse, except for timber salvage and if an equipment crossing is installed, an access trail. Leave this buffer strip of vegetation in place until crossing activities begin.

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## **Watercourses and Wetlands**

Minimize clearing next to watercourses and wetlands. Except for trees and brush hand cut close to the ground, leave a 16 m (50 ft) buffer of otherwise undisturbed vegetation between the area of disturbance and the watercourse or wetland.

If trees/shrubs must be preserved and fencing off is not practical, salvage live trees or shrubs from streambanks. Store salvaged trees and shrubs on the side of the ROW in a manner such that they don't dry out before replanting during restoration.

To minimize the potential for sedimentation in watercourses, cut vegetation and trees off at ground level, leaving root systems and organic matter undisturbed in areas that drain to the watercourse.

Fall trees away from watercourses to prevent damaging adjacent trees and aquatic habitat.

Immediately remove trees, debris or soil inadvertently deposited below the high watermark of watercourses to minimize disturbance to the streambed and banks.

Do not skid logs across watercourses or push logs into watercourses.

When clearing, limit the working space to the surveyed areas as much as possible.

If timber is needed for riprap or equipment mats, do not cut trees outside of the surveyed area within a wetland.

## **Merchantable Timber**

Before construction on public lands, ensure salvage requirements are specified and agreed to by the company, clearing contractors, government agencies and commercial logging operator.

On private lands, salvage timber as specified by landowners; on public lands, salvage timber as specified by the government agency.

Do not bulldoze merchantable timber. If not needed by the owner of the timber rights, offer merchantable timber to the landowner. If the landowner does not want the timber, offer the timber to a commercial buyer. If a willing commercial buyer cannot be found, consider the timber nonmerchantable and dispose of it accordingly.

In upland areas, stack merchantable timber at a landing near the edge of the ROW in a manner that is accessible to hauling trucks (see Figure 1, Salvage of Merchantable Timber).

### **Nonmerchantable Timber**

Consider saving nonmerchantable timber near watercourses for use in equipment crossing structures, slope stabilization or instream bank restoration.

In winter, cut nonmerchantable timber flush to the ground.

### ***Disposal***

Dispose of nonmerchantable timber and slash not needed for equipment crossing structures or bank restoration to the satisfaction of the landowner or regulatory authority. Disposal methods include:

- transportation to commercial disposal facilities
- burning
- chipping/grinding
- stockpiling (for firewood)

Do not dispose of nonmerchantable timber by placing it off the ROW, unless previously approved in writing by the landowner and the company.

**NOTE:** In forested areas, stumps and roots may be buried under 2 m of cover in natural clearings or low spots off the ROW, if the company can obtain permission in writing from the landowner or responsible forestry official.

Do not dispose of nonmerchantable timber, chips or any fill material in wetlands unless specifically approved by government agencies.

### ***Rollback/Chip/ Mulch***

Retain nonmerchantable timber and slash for use as chipping, rollback or corduroy.



Appropriate trees for chipping include spruce, alder and poplar.

If sufficient space is available, push slash into a windrow on the edge of the work side and store until cleanup; if space is limited, obtain temporary workspace in natural clearings adjacent to the ROW (see Figure 2, Slash Disposal-Rollback/Mulch/Chip).

Spread chips/mulch from clearing operations no thicker than 75 mm (3 in.). If practical, distribute chips/mulch across the ditch line and spoil area to encourage mixing during grading, backfill and cleanup, which eliminates a layer that can slow revegetation.

### ***Burning***

Burn nonmerchantable timber and slash if there is an excessive amount that may impede access for future maintenance activities.

Burning must be done under constant surveillance and in compliance with applicable permit requirements.

Before burning nonmerchantable timber and slash:

- develop a fire control plan
- obtain a burning permit
- designate a fire watch
- ensure adequate firefighting equipment is onsite



For minimum firefighting equipment requirements, refer to the applicable Land Use Permit or forestry regulation.

Push timber and slash into the center of the ROW, making windrows or piles no more than 60 m (196 ft) long. Separate the piles with firebreaks at least 8 m (25 ft) wide (see Figure 3, Slash Disposal-Burning).

Do not locate burn piles within 100 m (330 ft) of a watercourse or on organic soils.

Avoid locating burn piles on organic soil or on topsoil within agricultural lands. Burn piles on mineral soils or in a burning sloop.

Before leaving the site:

- extinguish burning embers
- spread ashes over the ROW
- dispose of all partially burnt stumps and logs to the satisfaction of landowners or government authorities

### **Equipment Crossings**

A mat setting crew should install equipment crossings as a part of clearing operations, so that equipment does not ford any watercourse. (see 02-12, Equipment Crossings).

## Grubbing

**NOTE:** Removing stumps and tree roots can cause topsoil and subsoil mixing, soil erosion, damage to standing trees and excessive surface disturbance.

Restrict grubbing to:

- the trench line
- areas requiring grading
- workside areas only where necessary to ensure safe equipment passage
- no closer than 2 m (6 ft) from standing trees to prevent damaging roots and to avoid creating bog holes in wetlands
- no closer than 10 m (CAN) or 50 ft (USA) from watercourses, except when absolutely necessary along the trench line and spoil pile area

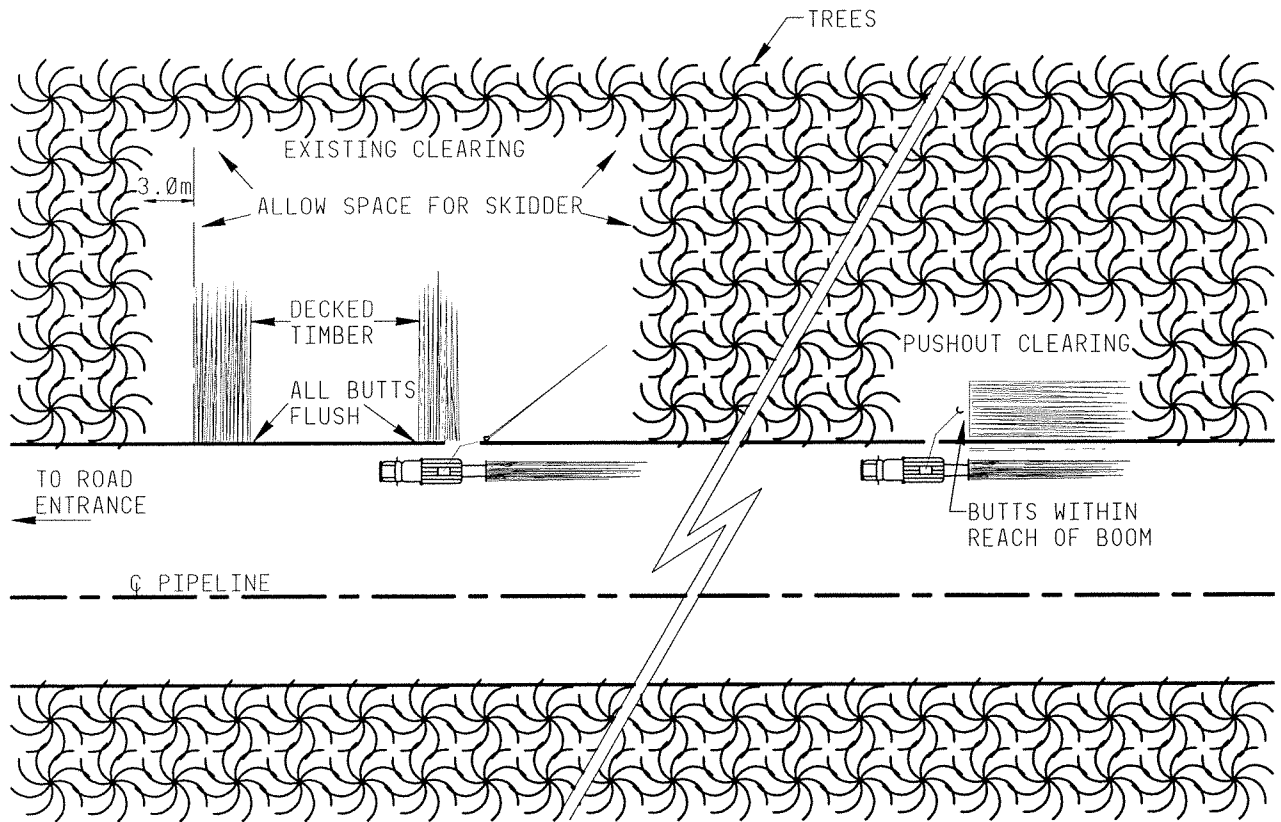
Grub spoil pile areas only if necessary.

## Wildlife

If a tree to be cleared contains any large bird nests, or if any large ground nest, burrow or den is discovered during clearing:

- suspend the work activity
- immediately contact the project manager
- fence or flag off the area

**NOTE:** For more information on protecting wildlife, see 02-2, General Mitigation Measures.



PLAN VIEW

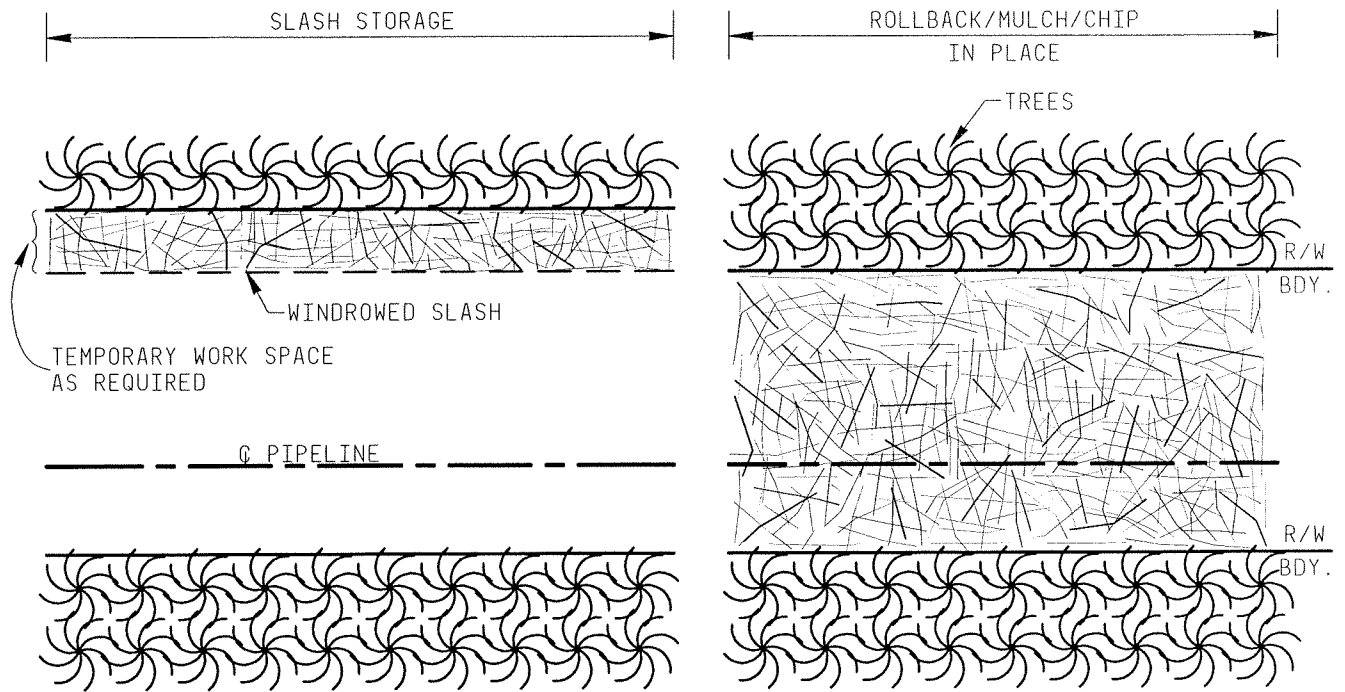
NOTES:

1. SALVAGE MERCHANTABLE TIMBER AS SPECIFIED BY LANDOWNER OR GOVERNMENT AUTHORITY AND COMPANY.
2. CUT TREES CLEAN; DO NOT BULLDOZE MERCHANTABLE TIMBER. REMOVE LIMBS AND TOPS. LOGS SHOULD NOT BE SKIDDED ACROSS OR DRIVEN INTO WATERCOURSES.
3. IN UPLAND AREAS, STACK MERCHANTABLE TIMBER AT A LANDING NEAR THE EDGE OF THE ROW IN A MANNER THAT IS ACCESSIBLE TO HAULING TRUCKS.
4. REQUEST LOGGING OPERATORS TO BEGIN HAULING TIMBER, PREFERABLY AFTER GRADING BUT BEFORE TRENCHING AND PIPE STRINGING.

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**Figure 1**  
Salvage of Merchantable Timber



## PLAN VIEW

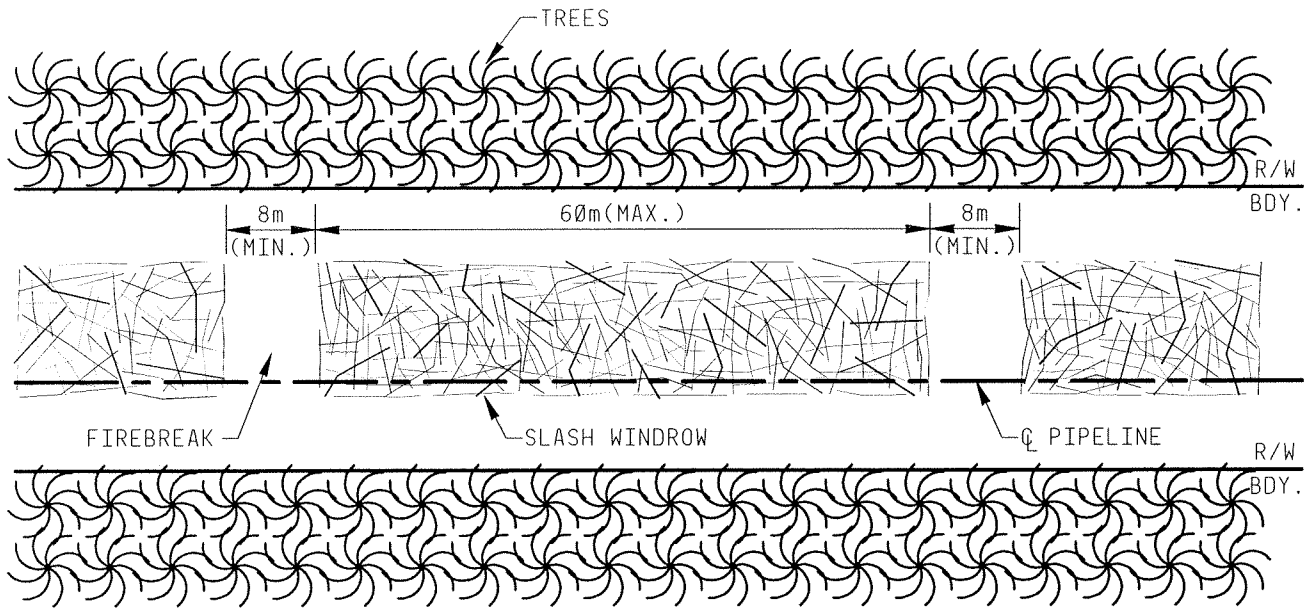
### NOTES

1. RETAIN SLASH AND NON MERCHANTABLE TIMBER FOR USE AS CHIPPING, ROLLBACK OR CORDUROY.
2. WINDROW SLASH ON EDGE OF WORK SIDE AND STORE UNTIL CLEANUP. IF SPACE IS LIMITED, OBTAIN TEMPORARY WORKSPACE IN A NATURAL CLEARING ADJACENT TO ROW.
3. SPREAD CHIPS/MULCH FROM CLEARING OPERATIONS NO THICKER THAN 75MM (3IN.). IF PRACTICAL, DISTRIBUTE CHIPS/MULCH ACROSS THE DITCH LINE ON SPOIL AREA TO ENCOURAGE MIXING DURING GRADING, BACKFILL AND CLEANUP, WHICH ELIMINATES A LAYER THAT CAN SLOW VEGETATION.
4. WALK DOWN SLASH WITH BULLDOZER.
5. LEAVE AN ACCESS TRAIL CLEAR, IF REQUIRED.

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**Figure 2**  
Slash Disposal -  
Rollback/Mulch/Chip



## PLAN VIEW

### NOTES:

1. BURN NONMERCHANTABLE TIMBER AND SLASH IF THERE IS AN EXCESSIVE AMOUNT THAT MAY IMPEDE ACCESS FOR FUTURE MAINTENANCE ACTIVITIES.
2. BURNING MUST BE DONE UNDER CONSTANT SURVEILLANCE AND IN COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE PERMIT REQUIREMENTS.
3. MAINTAIN FIRE FIGHTING EQUIPMENT ON SITE.
4. PUSH SLASH INTO WINDROWS OR PILES ALONG CENTRE OF RIGHT OF WAY AND SEPARATE BY FIREBREAKS. LOCATE BURN AREAS MORE THAN 100m FROM BODIES OF WATER AND AVOID LOCATING BURN SITES ON ORGANIC SOILS.
5. ATTEND FIRES AND PREVENT FROM SPREADING OFF RIGHT OF WAY. EXTINGUISH BURNING EMBERS BEFORE LEAVING SITE.
6. SPREAD ASHES OVER RIGHT OF WAY. DISPOSE OF ALL PARTIALLY BURNT STUMPS AND LOGS TO SATISFACTION OF LANDOWNERS OR GOVERNMENT AUTHORITIES.

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**Figure 3**  
Slash Disposal -  
Burning

## TOPSOIL STRIPPING and SEGREGATION

02-5

### Purpose

Topsoil is a valuable natural resource that is critical to agricultural capability and successful revegetation. Because subsoil properties are usually less favorable, mixing topsoil and subsoil can lower the overall productivity of soils. To prevent mixing soil during construction, every effort must be made to salvage topsoil in areas where soil productivity is an important consideration, e.g., cropland, pasture, golf courses, residential areas.

**NOTE:** For information on replacing topsoil, see 03-3, Cleanup.

### Responsibilities

A company representative or an environmental inspector must oversee topsoil stripping in areas where:

- there is poor color change between topsoil and subsoil
- there are erodible soils
- the three-lift soils handling method is used
- there is uncertainty about the depth of stripping

### Requirements

#### Stripping Depth

**NOTE:** In a typical soil profile, there is generally a visible change in color between topsoil and subsoil. Where color change is not evident, determine topsoil depth by texture and structure.

#### *Maximum Depth*

Where there is deep topsoil, such as on cultivated lands, strip topsoil to a maximum depth of 30 cm (12 in.) unless otherwise requested by the landowner

**NOTE:** If more than 30 cm (12 in.) of topsoil is stripped, additional space may be needed for spoil storage (see 01-7, Determining Area for Soil Storage).

#### *Minimum Depth*

Where there is less than 30 cm (12 in.) of topsoil, strip topsoil to color change, 15 cm (6 in.), or plough layer, whichever is deepest.

#### *Variable Depth Topsoil*

Strip topsoil so that the exposed surface has a mottled pattern composed of 50% topsoil and 50% subsoil where possible.

Use equipment with fine depth control, e.g., a grader or dozer, to strip variable depth topsoil.

### ***Sandy Soils and Dunes***

For sandy soils and dunes, strip the upper 5–10 cm (2–4 in.) of material where topsoil has not developed or is not apparent.

### **Stripping Width**

Determine stripping width before beginning construction activities

**NOTE:** Strip topsoil from all areas that require grading.

### ***Trench and Spoil Area***

Strip topsoil from the trench and spoil area during dry and unfrozen conditions where there is greater than 10 cm (4 in.) of topsoil on (see Figure 1, Typical Storage Segregation Ditch Plus Spoil Side):

- cultivated land
- pasture and hay land with poorly established sod layer
- bush or woodland with agricultural potential
- deeply furrowed or rough-cultivated land

Store topsoil from the trench and spoil area on the spoil side of the trench, next to the stripped area and on adjacent undisturbed surface (see Figure 1, Typical Storage Segregation Ditch Plus Spoil Side).

### ***Full Right-Of-Way***

Strip topsoil from the full ROW during dry and unfrozen conditions on (see Figure 2, Typical Topsoil Segregation Full ROW):

- agricultural lands with localized weed infestations
- cultivated lands and lands with agricultural potential that are subject to compaction or soil mixing on the work side, e.g., where there is less than 10 cm (4 in.) of topsoil
- areas that will be graded or filled

Strip topsoil from the full ROW in wet or thawing soil conditions when project activities cannot be postponed.

**NOTE:** If soils are wet or thawed, use appropriate contingency measures or postpone work activities until soils dry out or freeze (see 02-16, Wet/Thawing Soils).

### ***Trench Line Only***

Strip topsoil from over the trench line only (see Figure 3, Typical Topsoil Segregation Trench Line Only):

- where topsoil is frozen solid
- in wetlands without standing water or saturated soils
- in areas with a fairly thick sod layer, e.g., golf courses, mature pastures, residential areas

### ***Crossings***

Strip topsoil from the full ROW width to allow for a wider and deeper trench, storage of larger volumes of spoil, and additional grading and temporary workspace.

### ***Sandy Soils and Dunes***

For sandy subsoils and dunes, strip an extra width of topsoil to allow for slumping of trench walls, or where trench walls are sloped.

**NOTE:** Minimize disturbance to surface vegetation on sandy soils or dunes wherever possible.

### ***Stony Topsoil***

For stony topsoil, minimize stripping the full width of the ROW to avoid bringing stones to the surface.

Use a backhoe to strip stony topsoil only if conventional methods, i.e., dozers and graders, are ineffective.

### ***Unstable Trench Walls, Sidebends***

Increase the width of stripped topsoil if (a) trench walls do not stand up and (b) a wider or deeper trench is otherwise needed, e.g., sidebend and tie-in locations (see Figure 4, Unstable Trench with Trench and Spoil Area Topsoil Stripping).

If possible, salvage topsoil from under the new spoil pile on the spoil side and relocate to the edge of the extra working space.

### ***Storage***

Always maintain separation between the base of a topsoil and the base of an adjacent subsoil pile.

When the three-lift soils handling method is used, maintain separation between topsoil and subsoil piles, and also between subsoil piles.

### ***Urban Areas***

In urban areas where storage space is limited, remove and store soils separately at a remote location; or alternately, flatten the topsoil pile, cover the pile with tarps, plywood or straw, and store the subsoil on top.

### **Winter Conditions**

Maintain snow cover over the area to be stripped as long as possible. Remove snow just before stripping and windrow to the edges of the ROW.

Grade topsoil in the spoil area smooth to minimize mixing during backfilling.

To break up frozen topsoil, strip topsoil 1 m wider than the trench using a modified bucket wheel trencher, step blade or conventional equipment preceded by a ripper (see Figure 5, Topsoil Stripping and Trench Area Winter Construction).

Store topsoil on the working side of the trench, set back to allow the tracks of the trencher to operate on level ground. Leave breaks in topsoil at drainage courses.

### **Wooded Areas**

In wooded areas where little or no topsoil has developed, stripping is not required unless requested by the authorities having jurisdiction.

### **Wetlands**

Strip topsoil in unsaturated wetlands, giving extra attention to maintaining root stocks for replacement. Keep wetland soils separate from upland soils.

### **Organic Soils**

Do not strip organic soils (peat).

### **Hay and Pasture Land**

For mature sod layers on hay and pasture land, disc the area to be stripped.

### **Three-Lift Soils Handling**

Strip topsoil using the three-lift soils handling technique during dry and unfrozen conditions where:

- a soil survey has indicated that lower subsoils are of significantly lower quality than upper subsoils
- conventional trenching could raise the undesirable lower subsoils within the soil profile.

Store topsoil on the spoil side of the trench next to the stripped area (see Figure 6, Three Lift Soil Handling Non-Frozen Conditions).

Store the first lift of trench subsoil on the spoil side, either next to the trench (Profile A), or back far enough to store the second lift (Profile B). Maintain a separation between the topsoil pile and the excavated spoil (see Figure 6, Three Lift Soil Handling).

Store the second lift of trench subsoil next to the trench, either on the work side (Profile A), or the spoil side (Profile B). Maintain a separation between the two excavated spoil piles, or between the second lift spoil pile and the undisturbed topsoil on the work side.

### **Erosion Control**

#### ***High Winds***

If drifting soils or topsoil loss is evident in areas prone to wind erosion, postpone topsoil stripping until 3 days before trenching. If this is not practical:

- limit the time between topsoil stripping and final cleanup
- suspend topsoil stripping and backfill operations during high winds
- apply a tackifier to the topsoil pile
- install wind barriers, e.g., slat fences, snow fences

#### ***Tackifier***

Apply tackifier solution to topsoil piles at a minimum rate of 1.4 L/m<sup>2</sup>. The solution should contain at least 0.5 L/m<sup>2</sup> of concentrated tackifier (ER-2000 or company approved alternative).

If directed, also apply tackifier solution to the unstripped work side at a minimum rate of 2.25 L/m<sup>2</sup> for the initial application. This solution should contain at least 1.1 L/m<sup>2</sup> of concentrated tackifier.

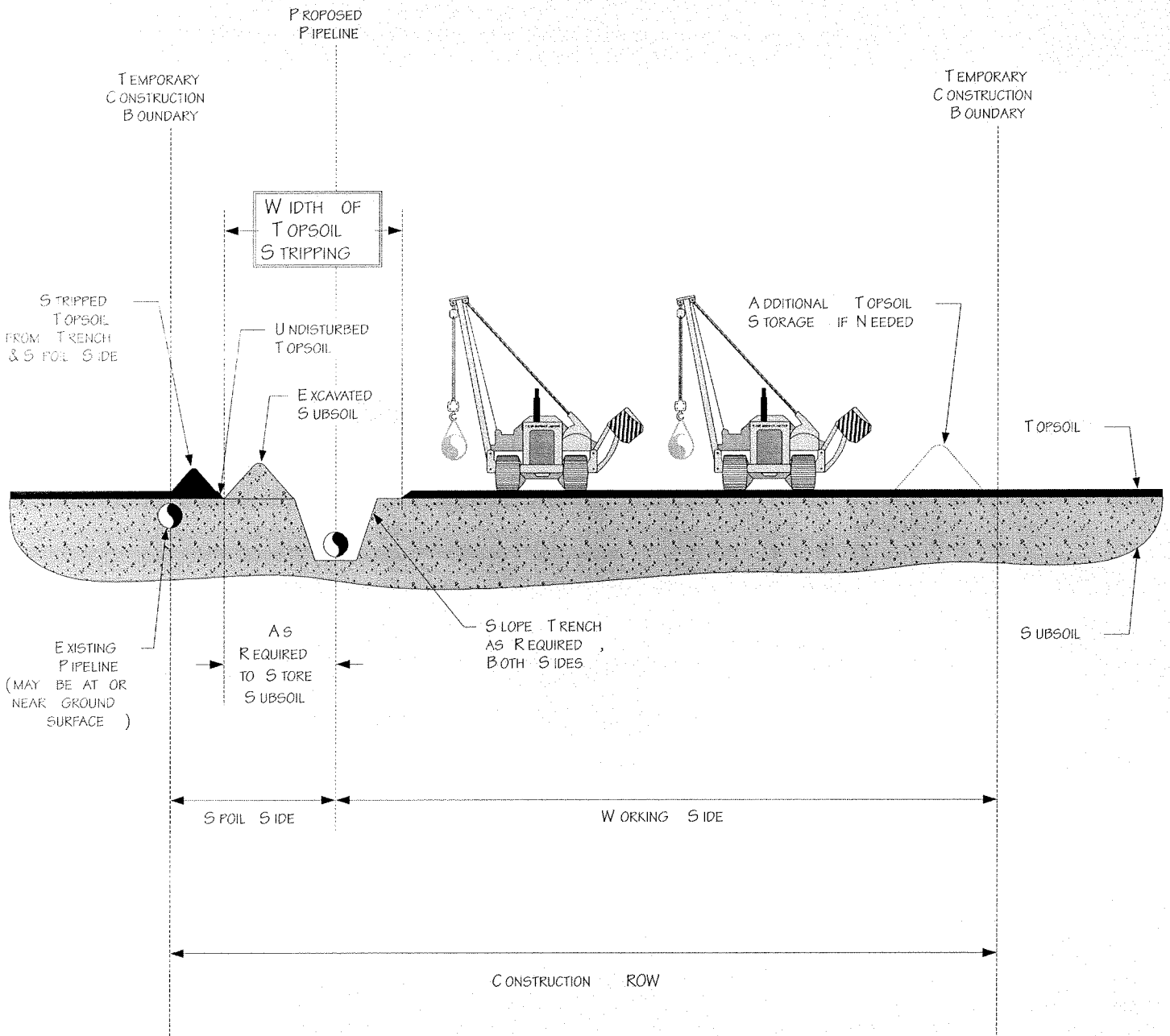
For subsequent applications to the work side, reduce the solution concentration to 0.5 L/m<sup>2</sup> of concentrated tackifier.

### **Adjacent Hot Lines**

When stripping topsoil over adjacent hot lines, use (a) a grader with a basic operating weight not exceeding 40,500 lbs and a maximum axle loading of 18,000 lbs per axle, or (b) a company approved equivalent.

**CAUTION:** Do not strip topsoil over hot lines within a swamp or slough, or within 6 m of a protective sleeve.

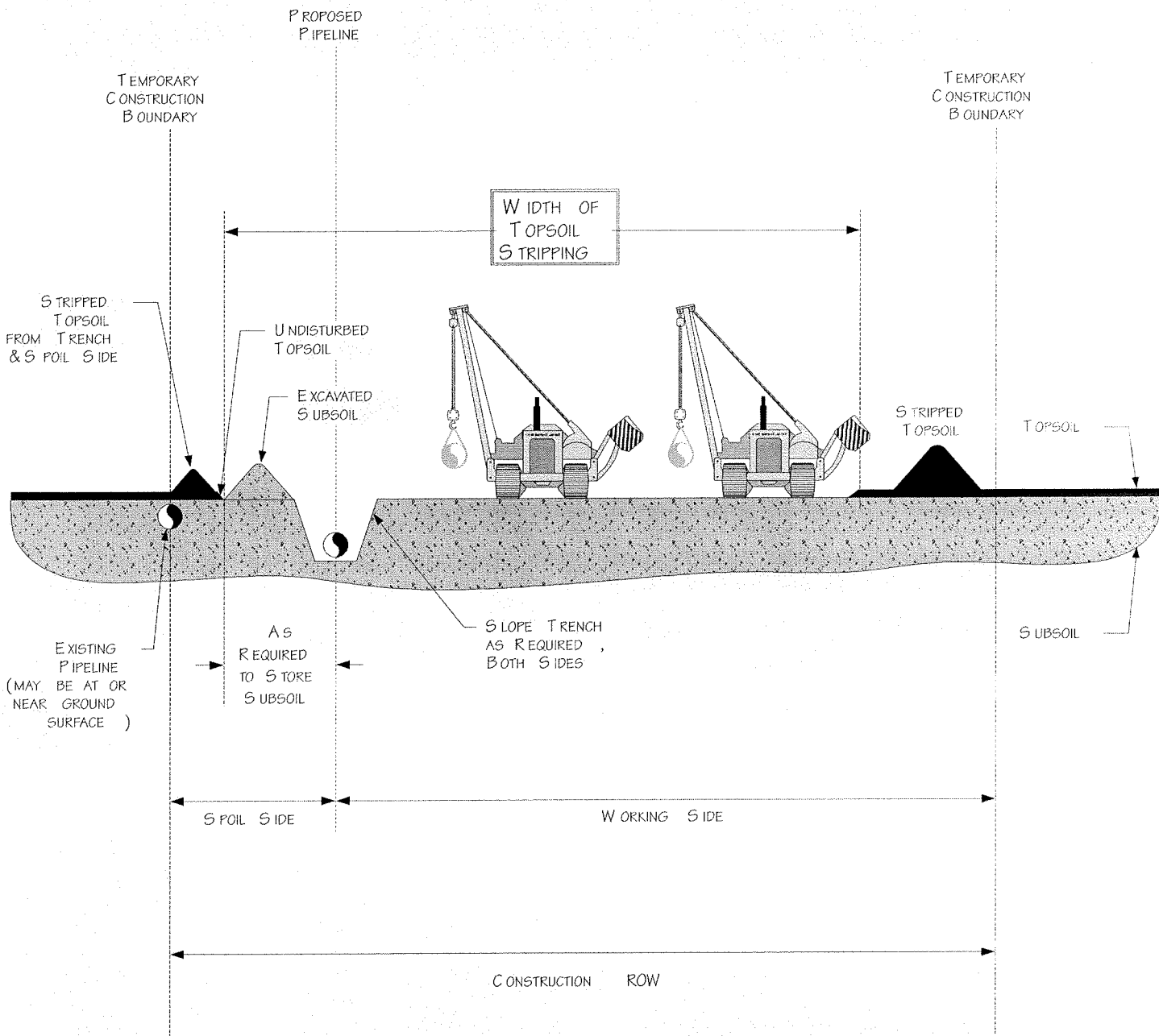
Maintain a minimum of 0.76 m of cover over hot lines, reducing the depth of topsoil stripping if necessary. Where there is 0.83 m or less of cover over the existing pipeline before stripping, suspend stripping. Instead, place a protective covering over the topsoil in the spoil area to prevent mixing topsoil and subsoil (e.g., matting, sheeting).



**Figure 1**

Typical Topsoil Segregation  
Ditch Plus Spoil Side

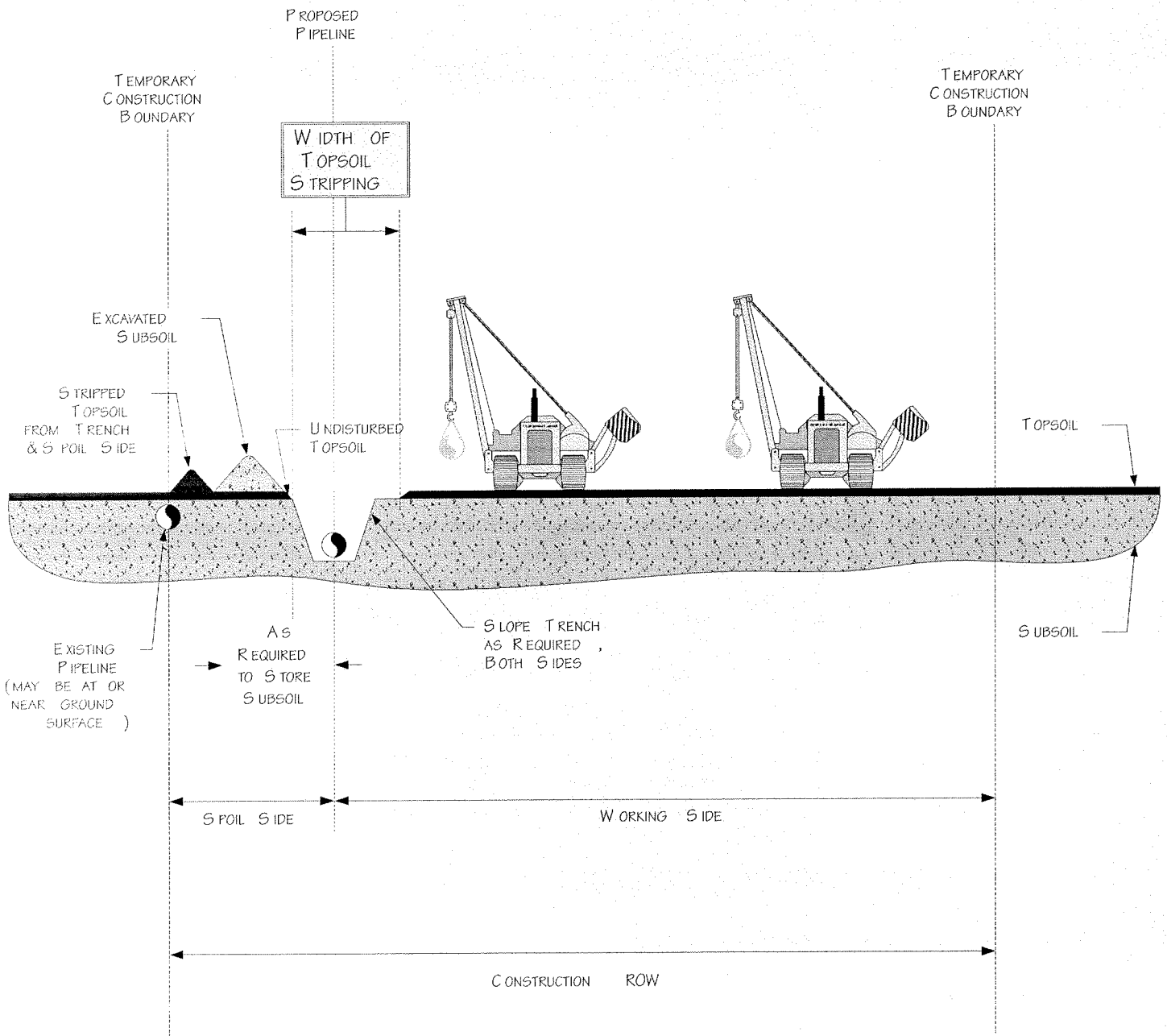




**Figure 2**

Typical Topsoil Segregation  
Full Right-of-Way





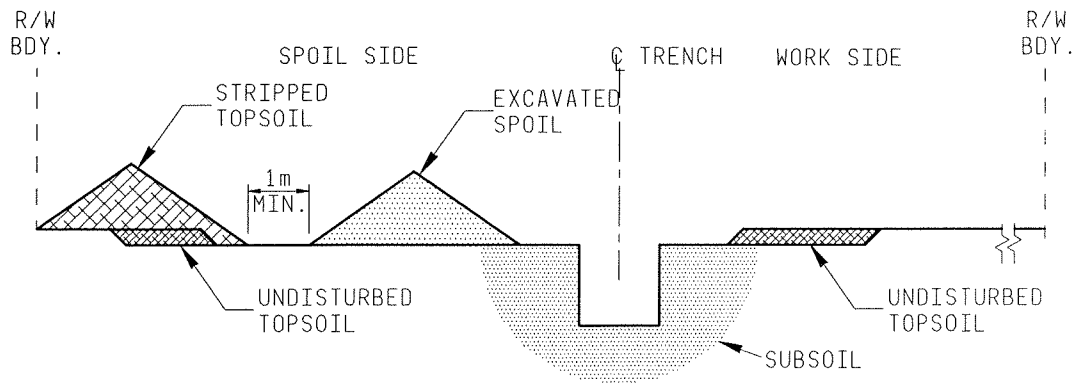
NOTES :

1. TRENCH LINE ONLY TOPSOIL SEGREGATION TYPICALLY EMPLOYED IN UNSATURATED WETLANDS , HAYLAND , PASTURES , AND RESIDENTIAL AREAS UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED BY THE LANDOWNER .

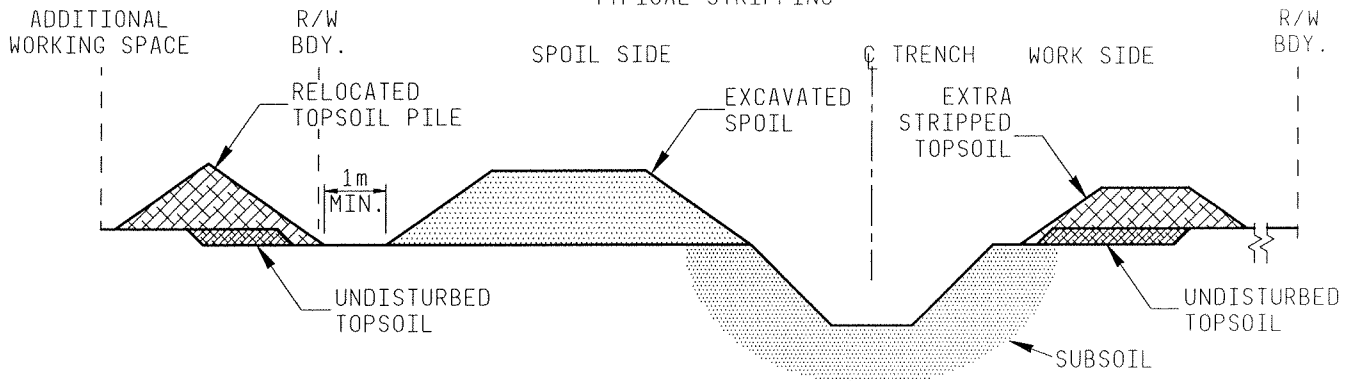


**Figure 3**

Typical Topsoil Segregation  
Trench Line Only



PROFILE  
TYPICAL STRIPPING



PROFILE  
EXTRA STRIPPING

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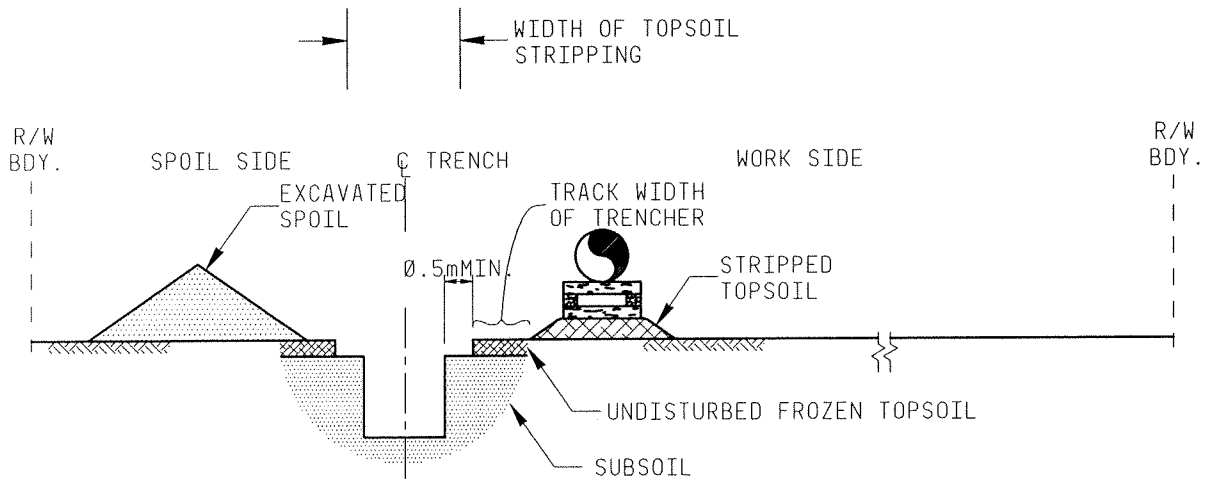
1. SUSPEND TRENCHING IF UNSTABLE TRENCH IS ENCOUNTERED. WELD-UP PIPE PRIOR TO CONTINUING TRENCHING TO MINIMIZE TIME OF AN OPEN TRENCH.
2. STRIP EXTRA WIDTH IF TRENCH WALLS DO NOT STAND UP AND TOPSOIL AND SUBSOIL SLOUGH INTO TRENCH OR A WIDER OR DEEPER TRENCH IS OTHERWISE NEEDED.
3. OBTAIN EXTRA WORKING SPACE ON SPOIL SIDE.
4. SALVAGE TOPSOIL PILE ON THE SPOIL SIDE AND RELOCATE TO THE EDGE OF EXTRA WORKING SPACE.
5. STRIP EXTRA TOPSOIL ON WORK SIDE AND FLATTEN AS REQUIRED FOR PIPE SET-UP AREA.
6. EXCAVATE TRENCH TO ANGLE OF REPOSE OF SUBSOIL. STORE ON SPOIL SIDE.
7. MAINTAIN 1.0m SEPARATION BETWEEN SPOIL PILE AND TOPSOIL PILE.

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Figure 4

Unstable Trench with Trench and Spoil Area Topsoil Stripping



## PROFILE

### NOTES:

1. UTILIZE WINTER WIDTH STRIPPING ON SOLID FROZEN GROUND WHERE A SOD LAYER, A SNOW BARRIER OR GROUND SURFACE WILL PREVENT MIXING OF TOPSOIL AND SPOIL.
2. STRIP TOPSOIL WIDER THAN THE TRENCH USING A MODIFIED BUCKET WHEEL TRENCHER OR A STEP BLADE PRECEDED BY A RIPPER. MULTIPLE PASSES WITH THE RIPPER ARE PREFERRED TO A SINGLE PASS TO THE FULL STRIPPING DEPTH.
3. STRIPPING WIDTH SHOULD BE 1m WIDER THAN AND CENTERED OVER THE TRENCH. STRIPPING DEPTH SHOULD BE 10cm MIN. TO THE COLOR CHANGE OR AS INDICATED ON THE AIRPHOTO MOSAIC OR LINE LIST.
4. STORE TOPSOIL ON WORKING SIDE OF THE TRENCH SET BACK TO ALLOW THE TRACKS OF THE TRENCHER TO OPERATE ON LEVEL GROUND. LEAVE BREAKS IN TOPSOIL AT DRAINAGE COURSES.
5. EXCAVATE TRENCH CENTERED WITHIN STRIPPED AREA AND STORE ON SPOIL SIDE.
6. COMPLETE STRINGING, WELDING AND LOWERING-IN ACTIVITIES
7. RETURN EXCAVATED SPOIL TO TRENCH AND LEAVE A HIGH CROWN CENTERED OVER THE TRENCH LINE. ALLOW BACKFILL MATERIAL TO THAW IN THE SPRING. COMPACT NONFROZEN MATERIAL IN PLACE. NO CROWN SHOULD BE EVIDENT.
8. RETURN TOPSOIL EVENLY OVER THE TRENCH LINE.
9. ALLEVIATE COMPACTION OF TOPSOIL OVER ENTIRE RIGHT OF WAY ON CULTIVATED LANDS. SEED DISTURBED AREA WITH A COMPATIBLE SEED MIX AND FERTILIZE ON PASTURE , HAY AND NONCULTIVATED LANDS.

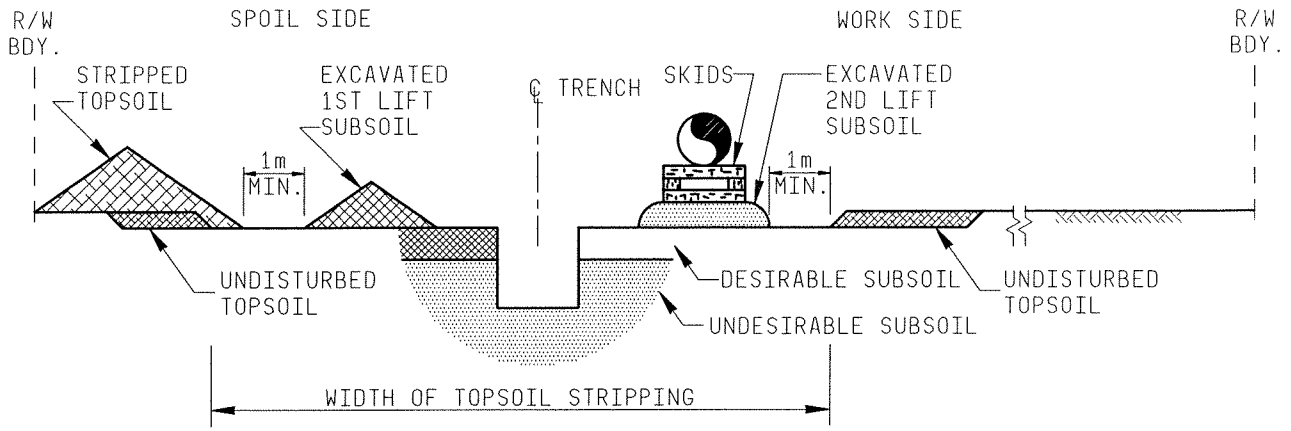
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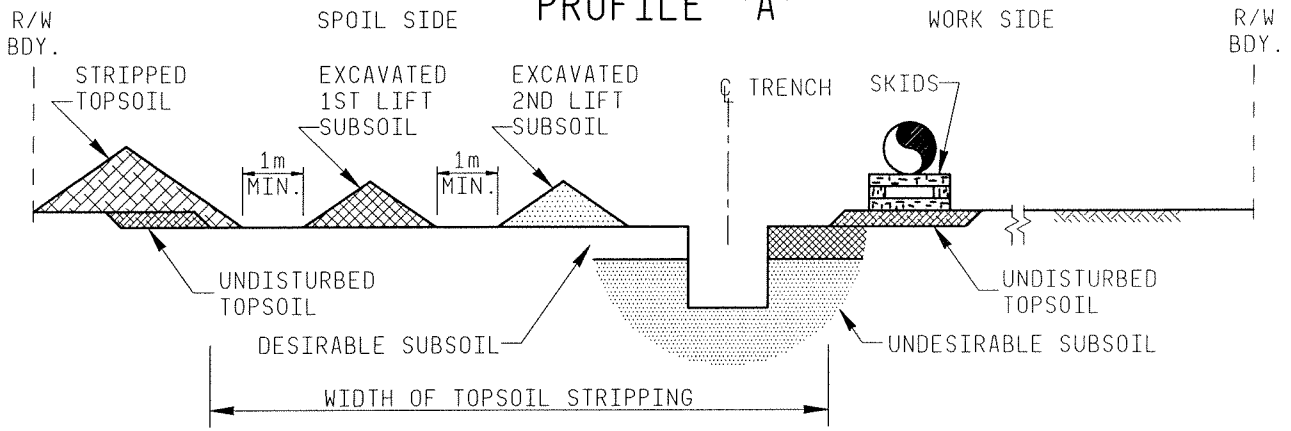
## Figure 5

Topsoil Stripping - Trench Area  
Winter Construction

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PROFILE "A"



PROFILE "B"

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**Figure 6**  
Three Lift Soil Handling  
Non-Frozen Conditions

**TEMPORARY EROSION and SEDIMENTATION CONTROL****02-6****Purpose**

Temporary erosion and sedimentation control measures include slope breakers, sediment barriers, trench breakers and mulch. The purpose of erosion and sedimentation control is to (a) contain excavated soils onsite and to (b) prevent construction-related sediment from entering streams, wetlands, lakes, drainage ditches (dry or flowing) or other watercourses.

**NOTE:** For information on specific temporary control measures, see the procedures in this tab.

**Guidelines**

Soil erosion is determined by four main factors:

- soil characteristics
- vegetative cover
- topography
- climate

**Soil Characteristics**

Analyze soil conditions at the site to help determine erosion control measures. The most erodible soils have a high content of silt and very fine sand. The least erodible soils have little or no silt, e.g., well-drained gravel and sand.

Although soils with a high content of clay are more resistant to erosion, these soils have poor infiltration and therefore runoff tends to increase resulting in erosion. In addition, clay soils are easily transported and do not settle out very quickly.

**Vegetative Cover**

Maintain existing vegetation on areas with high erosion potential whenever possible, e.g., slopes, drainage ways or next to streams and wetlands. Vegetative cover (e.g., grass, weeds, shrubs, crops) is important in controlling erosion because it:

- shields the soil surface
- slows runoff
- maintains the capacity of the soil to absorb water
- holds soil in place

## Topography

Protect disturbed slopes from runoff and revegetate quickly. Where possible, leave steep slopes undisturbed. Topography is important in controlling erosion because as the slope length and gradient increases, the volume and velocity of runoff increases and the potential for erosion increases.

## Climate

Climate affects the frequency, intensity and duration of rainfall. Where possible, schedule work during periods of low precipitation and runoff.

**NOTE:** For more information on scheduling projects, see 01-3, Project Scheduling.

## Principles of Erosion and Sedimentation Control

Keep disturbed areas small and minimize the length of time they are disturbed.

Stabilize and protect disturbed areas as soon as possible.

Keep storm water runoff velocities low.

Protect disturbed areas from storm water runoff.

Retain sediment within the corridor or site area.

## Temporary Control Measures

All temporary control measures must be:

- properly installed
- installed immediately after initial disturbance
- reinstalled where required, e.g., after backfill
- inspected and properly maintained (i.e., repaired, replaced or supplemented with functional materials) throughout construction until permanent erosion control is established or restoration is complete

## GRADING

02-7

**Purpose**

Grading generally follows clearing and involves leveling and smoothing the construction right-of-way (ROW) to create an even working surface for equipment and vehicles. Grading can disturb the surface more than any pipeline activity. Cutting and replacing steep slopes may lead to long term instability and erosion, which may threaten integrity of the pipeline. In addition, grading and erosion near streams may damage riparian habitats and result in siltation of aquatic habitats. Finally, berming snow or organic matter over the trench line during winter construction can temporarily block the movement of wildlife and livestock.

**Guidelines**

Before grading, ensure erosion control measures are in place at watercourses.

Minimize grading and grade changes that require excessive cuts and fills. Grade only as necessary to provide an adequate surface for construction equipment, and to allow overbends and sag bends to be made within permissible bending limits.

Do not store or push graded materials into treed areas. Store graded spoil in discrete piles or windrows for replacement during cleanup (see Figure 1, Cut and Fill Grading).

Minimize grading on hay or improved pasture and native prairie to minimize disturbance to the sod.

**Slopes**

Minimize grading on steep slopes. Limit grading to allow access for tracked vehicles only. Rubber-tired traffic must use temporary access trails.

Do not place graded material on steep slopes or closer than 20 m (60 ft) from the crests of slopes. Cuts and fills should not exceed 1:3 slope (rise over run). Do not store graded spoil in low areas.

Ensure graded material does not spread off the ROW.

Do not mix topsoil and subsoil disturbed during grading with foreign material, e.g., stumps and brush.

Two-tone the ROW to limit the need for deep cuts and additional temporary work space on sidehills (see Figure 2, Two Toning Grading).

## Watercourses and Wetlands

Minimize disturbance to natural drainage channels during grading; avoid blocking channels with graded material—install a culvert.

Restrict grading to the trench line and work area where possible. Minimize grading when constructing temporary bridges or fill crossings. Ice bridges and fords may require additional grading.

Direct grading away from watercourses to reduce the risk of material entering the watercourse. Do not place fill material in a watercourse during grading.

Grading equipment must not be operated directly in watercourses or must not directly cross watercourses.

Minimize grading within the 16 m (50 ft) buffer of undisturbed vegetation on each stream bank. If grading within the buffer, install temporary sediment barriers to prevent sediment from disturbed areas from flowing into the stream (see 02-14, Temporary Sediment Barriers).

Immediately after grading, install temporary slope breakers or silt fences at the base of slopes leading to streams or wetlands (see 02-13, Slope Breakers and 02-14, Temporary Sediment Barriers).

## Snow

As soon as wetlands or muskegs are sufficiently frozen to support light construction equipment, remove snow from the working side of the proposed line to increase frost penetration.

Windrow snow over the trench line to prevent deep frost penetration along the trench line.

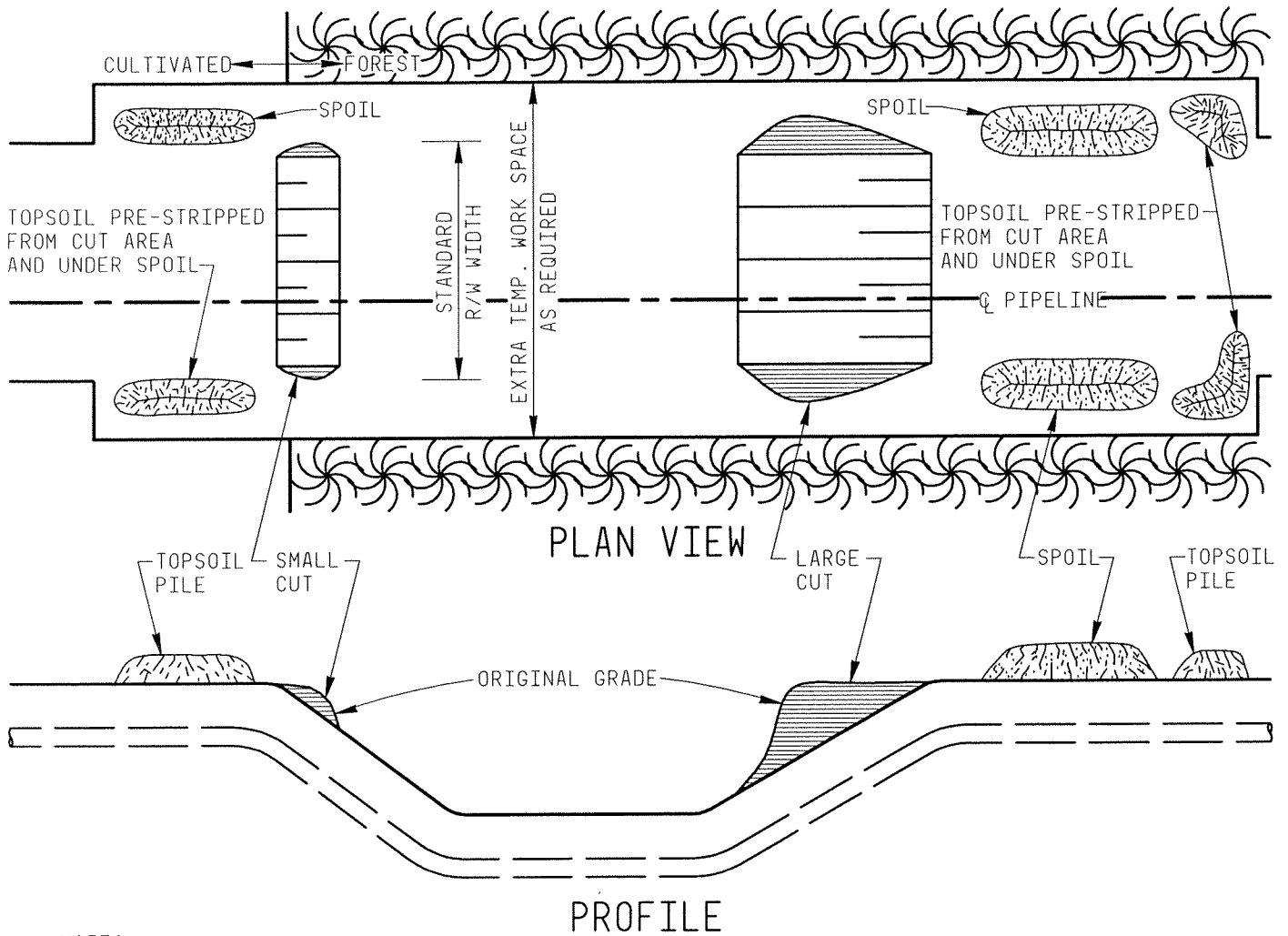
Remove large amounts of snow from the spoil storage area to facilitate removing spoil during backfilling and to avoid mixing snow with the backfill.

**NOTE:** With landowner permission, windrow snow off the ROW.

Immediately before ditching, windrow surplus snow and any snow bermed over the trench line to the closest side of the ROW.

If necessary to contain spoil during construction, use snow berms at the edge of the ROW. If snow berms are not feasible or could lead to mixing snow in the backfill material, install silt fence or hay bales.

Leave 3 m (10 ft) wide gaps at regular intervals (every 400 m or ¼ mi) in snow windrows greater than 0.75 m (30 in.) in height, to allow movement of wildlife and livestock.



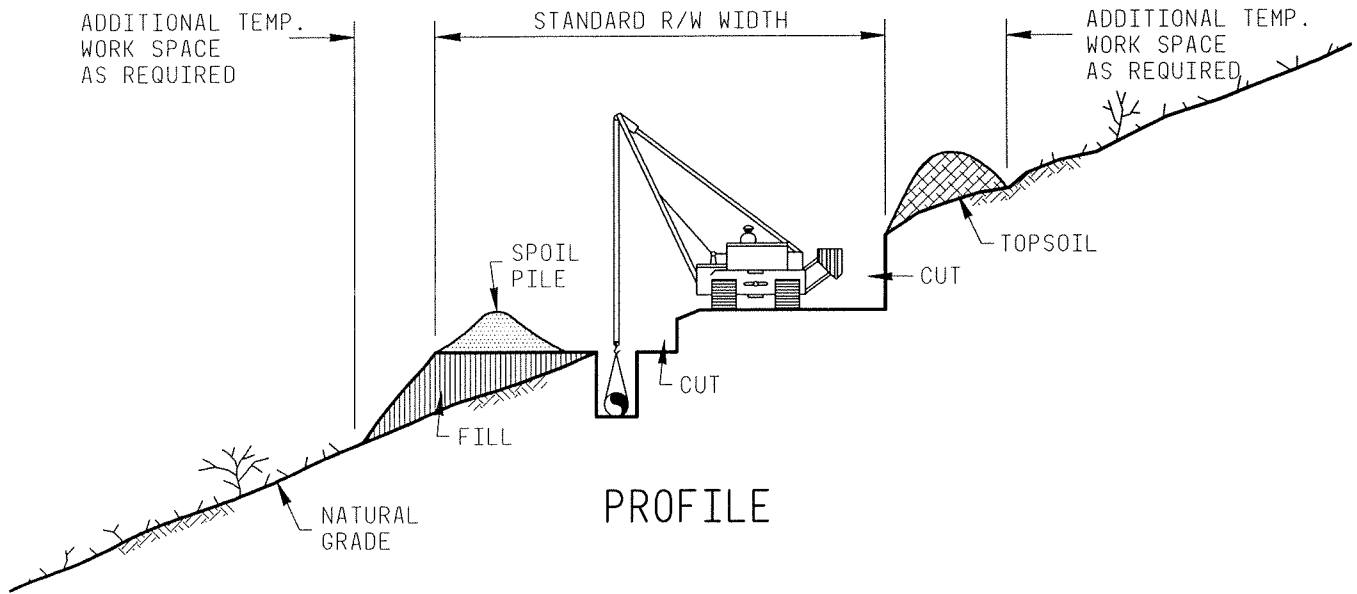
NOTES:

1. GRADE EXCESSIVELY STEEP SLOPES TO PROVIDE A SUITABLE SURFACE FOR MOVEMENT OF CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT AND TO ALLOW OVERBENDS AND SAGBENDS TO BE MADE WITHIN PERMISSIBLE BENDING LIMITS. ON WINTER PROJECTS, USE SNOW TO SMOOTH OUT THE WORKING SIDE IF POSSIBLE.
2. IDENTIFY AREAS WHERE ADDITIONAL RIGHT OF WAY IS REQUIRED TO ACCOMMODATE CUTS AND FILLS. SALVAGE MERCHANTABLE TIMBER AND TOPSOIL. MAINTAIN A MINIMUM 1m SEPARATION BETWEEN TOPSOIL AND SPOIL PILES.
3. GRADE SLOPES SUFFICIENTLY TO MINIMIZE INSTABILITY AND RESULTANT EROSION AND PIPE INTEGRITY PROBLEMS.
4. STORE FILL UPHILL OF CUT WHERE IT CAN BE EASILY RECOVERED AND WHERE NATURAL DRAINAGE IS NOT BLOCKED.
5. STORE FILL ON LEVEL GROUND BACK FROM UPPER BREAK OF SLOPE TO AVOID OVERLOAD AND POTENTIAL FAILURE. OBTAIN ADVICE FROM A GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEER.
6. REPLACE CUTS AND RECONTOUR SLOPES DURING CLEAN-UP TO MAXIMUM 3:1 GRADE UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEER.

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**Figure 1**  
Cut and Fill Grading



NOTES:

1. TWO-TONE THE RIGHT OF WAY TO LIMIT THE NEED FOR EXCESSIVELY DEEP CUTS AND FILLS AND TO MINIMIZE THE NEED FOR ADDITIONAL TEMPORARY WORK SPACE ON SIDEHILLS.
2. CLEAR AND STAKE ADDITIONAL TEMPORARY WORK SPACE TO ALLOW FOR EXTRA SPOIL.
3. ENSURE SIDE BOOM TRACTORS ARE EQUIPPED WITH BOOM EXTENDERS AND COUNTERWEIGHTS IF REQUIRED.
4. USE BACKHOE TO ASSIST BULLDOZERS WITH REPLACING CUTS. RECONTOUR TO MAXIMUM 3:1 GRADE UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEER.
5. EXCESS FILL MAY BE PUSHED FORWARDS OR BACKWARDS TO RAMP APPROACH SLOPES OR DRAWS IN THE SIDE SLOPE.

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**Figure 2**  
Two-Toning Grading

## TRENCHING

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### Purpose

Trenching (pipe installation) involves stringing pipe, welding, ditching and lowering the pipe into the excavation. Excavating the trench for the pipeline is typically done using backhoes or a wheel ditching machine. Spoil (subsoil) from the trench is piled near the trench opposite the working side.

Pipe stringing involves unloading pipe from heavy trucks onto skids in preparation for welding. After pipe stringing is complete, the pipe is bent as necessary to conform to changes in ground contour and pipeline alignment. Pipe joints are then welded together and the welds are nondestructively tested. After the welds are coated with a material as protection from corrosion, pipe sections are lowered into the trench.

These activities have the potential to cause soil mixing and compaction, and can interfere with farming activities and wildlife.

### Guidelines

#### Scheduling

During winter construction, ensure the frost is deep enough to proceed without causing excessive rutting and soil compaction.

If excessive rutting and compaction are expected, postpone heavy traffic until soils freeze or dry.

Coordinate with landowners to minimize disruption of access caused by trenching or pipe stringing.

**NOTE:** For more information on scheduling construction activities, see 01-3, Project Scheduling.

Minimize the length of time a trench is open to limit trench sloughing or frost penetration, and disruption to wildlife, agricultural activities and other land uses.

#### *Pipe Stringing*

Confine stringing trucks to the stripped portion of the ROW as much as practical.

Limit heavy equipment to machinery and vehicles equipped with low-ground pressure tires or wide tracks. If ground conditions are too soft to support stringing trucks, consider using specialized equipment such as tracked flat beds or Rolligons.

If low-ground pressure equipment is not used and ground conditions on the ROW are unstable, use geotextile or corduroy to improve the bearing capacity of soft ground.

**NOTE:** Do not use tree stumps, bush riprap, imported dirt or rock fill to stabilize the ROW for vehicle traffic.

### **Welding**

Do not leave spent welding rods, filings/shavings from end preparation, or cut off pipe rings on the ground or in the trench.

Provide receptacles (e.g., garbage cans, steel drums) for disposal of welding rods and other refuse at strategic locations.

Shut down welding during high winds in high fire hazard areas.

If requested by the landowner or the regulatory agency, leave gaps in continuous welded sections every 500 m (1/3 mi) to allow passage of livestock, farm equipment and wildlife.

### **Ditching Equipment**

To minimize spoil storage requirements:

- match the trench width to the pipe size and soil conditions during trenching
- maximize the use of wheel ditchers
- minimize the amount of backhoe work

### **Unstable Trench Walls**

If trench walls or topsoil slough into the trench or there is a potential for mixing topsoil with subsoil, suspend trenching and increase the width of stripped topsoil.

**NOTE:** For more information, 02-5, Topsoil Stripping and Segregation

Delay trenching in areas with a high water table or where there is a risk of sloughing until just before lowering in the pipe.

**NOTE:** Before trenching, consider installing well points around the site to intercept groundwater before it enters the trench.

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## Gaps and Plugs

Leave gaps in the spoil pile at natural drainage channels to accommodate surface runoff.

If requested by the landowner, leave gaps in strung pipe and in topsoil and spoil piles, with corresponding plugs in the ditch to allow vehicle access or movement of livestock and wildlife across the ROW. Consult with landowner regarding the location of gaps (recommended minimum width of the plug and gap is 3 m (10 ft) (see Figure 1, Two-Toning Grading and Topsoil and Spoil Piles).

## Ripping

Rip bedrock where encountered and where adequate equipment is available. Ripping is preferred over blasting.

## Blasting

Follow explosive laws and regulations where blasting is necessary.

Use blasting mats to prevent damage from rock fragments. Immediately collect any displaced rock from the vicinity of residences, highways, utilities, structures, and cultivated or improved lands. Dispose of excess rock by windrowing, scattering, placing in discrete piles or as directed by landowners or regulatory agencies.

Collect and dispose of shot cord, caps, cones and other debris associated with blasting in accordance with the Waste Management Plan.

If blasting is required within 50 m of a fish-bearing watercourse, contact the environment department.

## Drain Tiles

Excavate the trench so that the pipeline may be laid over or under the tile with a minimum clearance of 30 cm (12 in.).

If drain tiles are cut during trenching:

- identify the location of the damaged tile at the trench and at both sides of the construction ROW
- install a temporary flume if needed to maintain drainage
- cap the ends to prevent clogging drains with dirt or debris

**NOTE:** Keep plugs in place until the damaged tile is repaired (see 03-2, Backfilling).

### **Road and Rail Crossings**

Where soil and topographic conditions permit, bore public road and rail crossings to prevent disturbing the crossing and disrupting service (see Figure 2, Road Crossing-Boring). As circumstances dictate, also consider boring for irrigation canals, selected watercourses, shelterbelts, roadside trees and foreign lines.

If boring a road is impeded by topography, rock, gravel or organic material, and if rerouting is impractical, obtain the consent of local authorities to open cut the road.

Minimize the time crossings are left open.

Notify road owners and users, and construct detours as necessary. Install safety barricades, fences, signs and flashers around open road crossings and bellholes adjacent to the road.

### **Watercourses and Wetlands**

Since water crossings are usually handled by a separate crossing or tie-in-crew, stop trenching crew activities before the buffer zone at the watercourse banks.

Use backhoes or draglines operated from one or both stream banks or from bridges to excavate the trench. As much as possible, store instream spoil on the stream bank within a straw bale/silt fence containment area (see 02-6, Temporary Erosion and Sedimentation Control).

Locate crossing pipe tie-ins and any bends requiring tie-ins at least 10 m (35 ft) from stream banks to minimize disturbance from bell holes.

If excavating equipment must encroach into the stream, it must operate on a sled or clean construction mats.

To facilitate trench excavation in saturated soils, timber mats may be placed over the ditch line to support the backhoe.

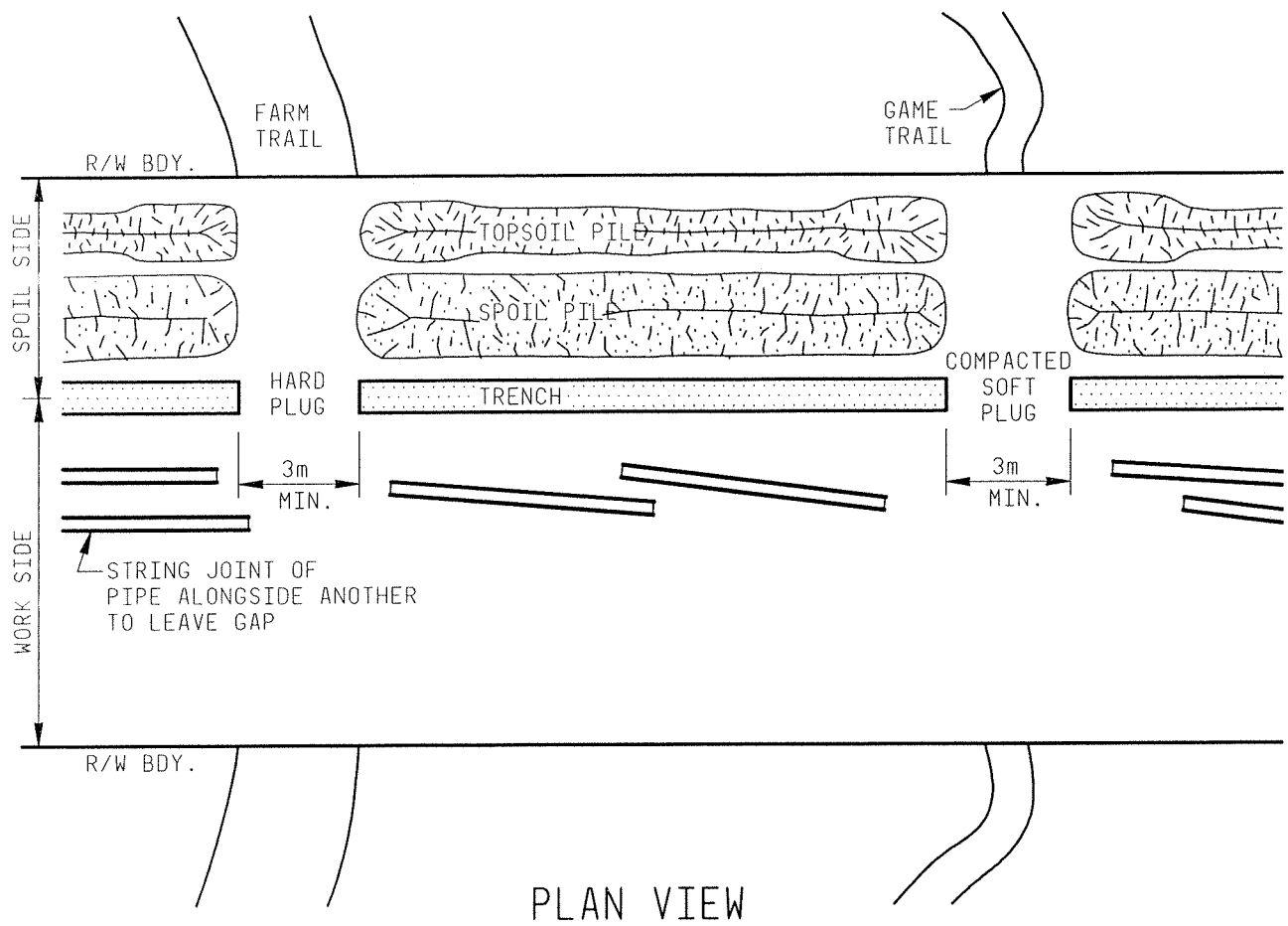
If the watercourse is wider than what can be trenched with a hoe entering the water, place insert spoil in discrete piles away from the areas of highest water velocity. Do not windrow soil across the stream channel or block more than two-thirds of the channel.

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Install 3 m (10 ft) hard plugs in the ditchline to separate the crossing trench from the open trench on the stream banks. Before removing hard plugs, install soft plugs where necessary to prevent silty trench water from entering the watercourse. Dewater the trench onto stable, well-vegetated uplands (see 02-17, Dewatering).

***Trench Breakers***

Where the pipeline trench has the potential to partially drain a wetland, install trench breakers as necessary to maintain the original wetland hydrology (see 02-15, Trench Breakers).



PLAN VIEW

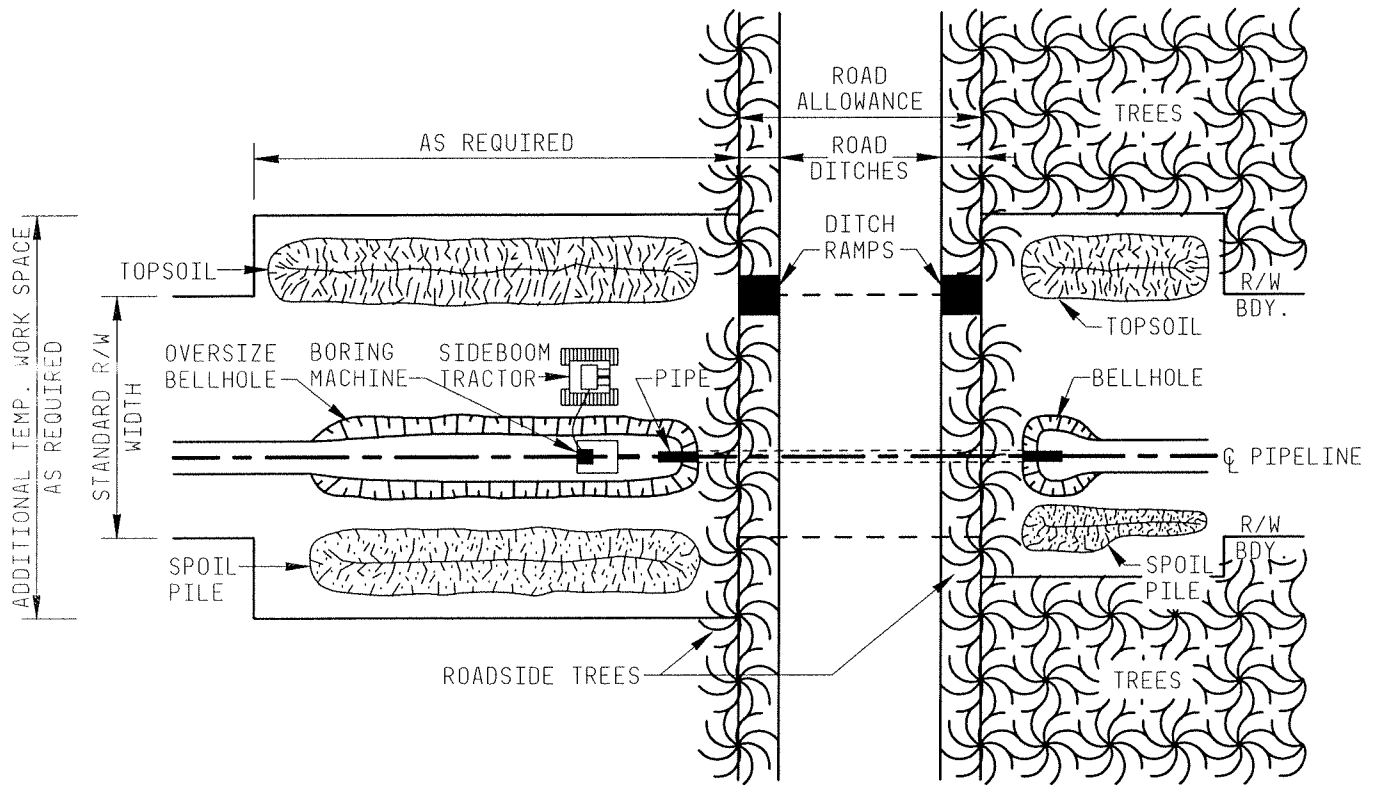
NOTES:

1. LEAVE GAPS IN STRUNG PIPE, TOPSOIL AND SPOIL PILES TO PERMIT VEHICULAR ACCESS OR MOVEMENT OF LIVESTOCK AND WILDLIFE ACROSS THE RIGHT OF WAY. CONSULT WITH LANDOWNER REGARDING LOCATION OF GAPS.
2. LEAVE GAPS AT DRAINAGE COURSES, WILDLIFE TRAILS AND IF REQUESTED, LIVESTOCK TRAILS.
3. GAPS IN STRUNG PIPE SHOULD COINCIDE WITH GAPS LEFT IN TOPSOIL, SPOIL PILES, AND WITH HARD PLUGS IN TRENCH.
4. INSTALL A COMPACTED SOFT PLUG WHERE TRENCHING HAS ALREADY BEEN COMPLETED.

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**Figure 1**  
Two-Toning Grading  
and Topsoil and Spoil Piles



PLAN VIEW

NOTES:

1. BORE PUBLIC ROAD CROSSINGS AND RAIL LINES TO PREVENT DISTURBANCE TO THE ROAD OR RAIL BED AND DISRUPTION OF SERVICES. BORING SHOULD ONLY BE PERFORMED WHERE SUBSOILS PERMIT. CONSIDER BORING IRRIGATION CANALS, SELECTED WATERCOURSES AND SHELTER-BELTS. CONTINUE BORING BEYOND ROADSIDE SHELTER WHERE POSSIBLE.
2. ACQUIRE AND MARK ADDITIONAL TEMPORARY WORK SPACE.
3. EXCAVATE BELLHOLE. STORE ON OPPOSITE SIDE OF RIGHT OF WAY, USE GRADED MATERIAL FOR DITCH RAMPS.
4. COMPLETE BORING AND TIE-IN TO MAINLINE.
5. BACKFILL AND COMPACT. LEAVE A CROWN TO ALLOW FOR SUBSIDENCE.
6. RESEED AND FERTILIZE AS APPROPRIATE.

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**Figure 2**  
Road Crossing - Boring

## FENCES and TEMPORARY GATES

02-9

### Purpose

Before or during clearing of the right-of-way (ROW), existing fences and livestock barriers are cut or dismantled as necessary to allow access for construction equipment. In addition, temporary gates and/or fences are installed where required to restrict access to the right-of-way (ROW) and to control livestock movements. Temporary gates and fences remain in place until construction is complete, when permanent repairs or new fencing can be installed.

Improper cutting or replacement of wire fences can cause wires to slacken along the fence, possibly leading to livestock escaping and inconvenience to landowners. Similar problems may occur if gates are left open or if temporary fencing is not supplied where required.

### Requirements

#### Bracing

Before cutting a wire fence, brace and secure the fence on each side of the new opening to maintain tension in the rest of the fence.

**NOTE:** Double end braces are especially necessary for high tension suspension fences in order to resist the fence tension.

### Guidelines

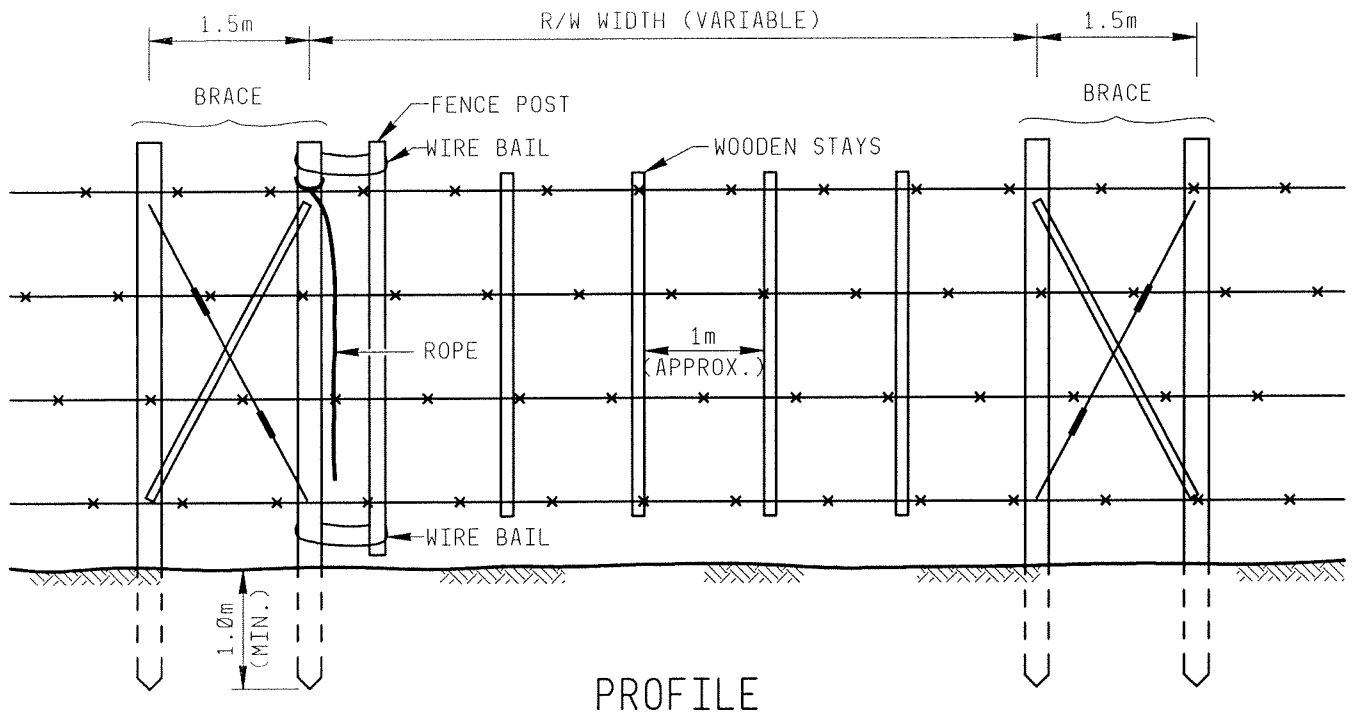
Make arrangements with landowners to keep livestock in fields not traversed by the ROW, if practical.

Carefully dismantle and store all unique fences (e.g., stump, stone or rail) for later reassembly.

Before dismantling or cutting fences, obtain consent from landowners, tenants or regulatory authorities, if practical.

Equip gates with facilities or construct them in a manner such that one worker can open and close the gates (see Figure 1, Temporary Wire Gate).

Install temporary fencing and gates of equal or better quality material as the original, where practical or as directed by the landowner.



NOTES:

1. INSTALL TEMPORARY GATES WITHIN ALL EXISTING FENCES CROSSING THE RIGHT OF WAY.
2. OBTAIN CONSENT OF LANDOWNER, TENANT OR GOVERNMENT AUTHORITY PRIOR TO CUTTING THE FENCE. CUT FENCE PRIOR TO ANY SUBSEQUENT CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY.
3. BEFORE CUTTING THE FENCE, BRACE AND SECURE THE FENCE ON EACH SIDE OF THE NEW OPENING TO MAINTAIN TENSION IN THE REST OF THE FENCE. USE MATERIAL OF EQUAL OR BETTER QUALITY FOR THE BRACE. SALVAGE POSTS AND WIRE IF IN GOOD CONDITION.
4. INSTALL TEMPORARY GATE AS REQUIRED.
5. EQUIP GATES WITH FACILITIES OR CONSTRUCT THEM IN SUCH A MANNER THAT ONE WORKER CAN OPEN AND CLOSE THE GATE.
6. KEEP GATE CLOSED AT ALL TIMES EXCEPT DURING PASSAGE OF PEOPLE AND EQUIPMENT TO PREVENT LIVESTOCK FROM ENTERING OR LEAVING THE PROPERTY. IF NECESSARY, ASSIGN A WATCHMAN TO ENSURE GATE CLOSURE.
7. REMOVE TEMPORARY GATE AND REPLACE FENCE WITH MATERIAL OF EQUAL OR BETTER QUALITY FOLLOWING CONSTRUCTION UNLESS OTHERWISE REQUESTED BY LANDOWNER.

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**Figure 1**  
Temporary Wire Gate

**Purpose**

Environmental inspections during construction ensure compliance with applicable legislation and the terms and conditions of project approval by regulators. The company may be subject to fines or lawsuits if agreements with landowners or regulatory requirements are not fulfilled.

**Requirements****Environmental Inspector**

The company determines whether to appoint an environmental inspector for the entire project or for sensitive phases of the project (e.g., topsoil stripping, watercourse construction, cleanup), depending on:

- environmental sensitivity of the terrain
- complexity of environmental protection measures
- regulatory requirements

The company must employ qualified environmental inspectors to oversee construction activities. The environmental inspector must have:

- sufficient environmental knowledge to make appropriate field decisions
- sufficient pipelining experience to understand the constraints of construction

If an environmental inspector is not appointed, a company representative or supervisor must assume the responsibilities of the environmental inspector.

**Specialists**

Specialists, such as geotechnical engineers, archaeologists or drainage tile engineers, may be assigned or made available as required to inspect or monitor project activities.

**Prejob Information**

Before project activities begin, environmental inspectors must be briefed on the project and made aware of any special situations or areas of concern.

Before beginning project activities, environmental inspectors and contractors must have all relevant documents, including the most recent updates, revisions, amendments, conditions and requirements.

**NOTE:** For more information on prejob meetings, see 01-2, Planning and Preparation.

### **Communications**

Establish a chain of command in the field so that environmental inspectors always communicate with the same workers.

## **Responsibilities**

### **Environmental Inspector**

Environmental inspectors:

- oversee contractors to ensure compliance with environmental requirements and permits

**NOTE:** When the environmental inspector is not onsite, the supervisor is responsible for implementing environmental protection measures.

- provide options and guidance to supervisors on environmental matters, and address unforeseen environmental concerns responsibly
- brief workers on the environment requirements of the project at the prejob meeting
- are present for all phases of project activities involving environmentally sensitive areas
- stop work activities and implement mitigative measures that are not in compliance with this document
- make daily written inspection reports and encourage frequent telephone contact with the environment department
- maintain regular liaison with government representatives
- obtain approval from the environment department before authorizing any major changes or decisions
- maintain appropriate records to ensure contractor compliance with environmental specifications and permits (i.e., take appropriate samples, photos and measurements at various stages of project activities)
- shut down project activity if significant environmental damage is occurring

**Workers**

Workers must:

- fully cooperate with environmental inspectors in the course of their duties

**NOTE:** Substantial fines and imprisonment may be imposed on workers and the company for noncompliance with legislation.

- understand the requirements regarding environmental rules and regulations
- report perceived environmental infractions to their supervisors

## WATERCOURSES and WETLANDS

02-11

**Purpose**

Watercourses are a major environmental concern associated with pipeline construction. Poor construction schedules or inadequate environmental mitigation measures can damage fish habitat, harm aquatic life and interfere with downstream water users. Pipeline construction also may alter stream substrates, cause physical or chemical changes in water quality or block fish movement. Although many environmental impacts are relatively short-term (i.e., the impact stops soon after the crossing is completed), long-term impacts may result if the watercourse is not properly restored.

Due to the unstable nature of some wetland soils, construction activities may differ from typical pipeline construction. As such, construction activities may be minimized in wetlands and/or special construction techniques required to minimize disturbance to plants and soils, and to protect wetland hydrology.

**Requirements****Project Scheduling**

Carry out instream activities during periods of low flow unless government agencies request an alternate schedule.

Postpone construction in watercourses if excessive flows or flood conditions exist or are anticipated, and construction methods cannot be modified to cope with the increased flow.

To minimize the duration and severity of disturbance, complete all instream activity within 48 hrs, unless site-specific conditions make this impractical.

**NOTE:** For more information on scheduling construction activities, see 01-3, Project Scheduling.

**Permits/Licenses/Approvals**

Where instream activities are required, obtain approval from fish and wildlife authorities, including federal authorities if required.

Any alternatives or modifications to the wetland crossing requirements specified in permits must be approved by the company before construction begins.

Before starting work, the contractor must provide the company with a tentative watercourse construction plan and schedule, and confirm the schedule (a) 14 days before and (b) 2 days before starting crossing construction.

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**NOTE:** For more information on activities that require environmental permits and/or regulatory approvals, see 01-2, Planning and Preparation.

### **Clearing and Grading**

Restrict clearing and grading to the minimum necessary to safely complete the job (see 02-4, Clearing and Grubbing, and 02-7, Grading).

### **Trenching**

When practical, salvage upper stream bed material and replace last during stream bed restoration.

For information on trenching in watercourses and wetlands, see 02-8, Trenching.

### **Fish Habitats**

When sport fish are concentrated in a watercourse area that requires blasting, use blast reflectors or absorbers, time delay charges and the smallest charges practical. If practical, remove fish and block their access to the area.

### **Erosion Control**

Install temporary erosion control measures within 24 hrs of backfilling the crossing (see 02-13, Slope Breakers and 02-14, Temporary Sediment Barriers. For information on backfilling, see 03-2, Backfilling).

## **Guidelines**

### **Construction Methods**

Select an appropriate watercourse construction method based on geotechnical, biological and hydraulic considerations, and discussions with government agencies. Use Table 1, Watercourse Construction Methods as a guide to selecting an appropriate watercourse crossing construction method.

**NOTE:** If contaminated stream substrate is suspected, e.g., by industrial pollution, use a construction method that minimizes disturbance of the substrate (e.g., drill, bore).

**Table 1  
Watercourse Construction Methods**

Construction Method	Small Watercourse less than 10 m (33 ft)			Medium Watercourse 10 to 20 m (33 to 65 ft)			Large Watercourse greater than 20 m (65 ft)		
	L	M	H	L	M	H	L	M	H
<b>Wet Trench</b>									
• hoe	4	4	7	4	4	7	4	4	7
• dragline	\$	7	7	\$	7	7	4	7	7
• dredging	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	4	4	4
<b>Dry Trench</b>									
• flume	4	4	4	4	4	4	—	—	—
• dam and pump	4	4	4	4	4	4	—	—	—
• high volume pump	4	4	4	4	4	4	—	—	—
<b>Trenchless</b>									
• boring	\$	4	4	\$	4	4	—	—	—
• directional drilling	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	4	4
<b>Aerial</b>									
• bridge attachment	\$	\$	4	\$	4	4	\$	4	4

**NOTES**

**L** = Low sensitivity

- no downstream water users
- no fish habitat impacted by construction
- no flow

**M** = Medium sensitivity

- downstream water users
- no significant impact on fish habitat by construction
- low probability of downstream habitat impacted by sediment

**H** = High sensitivity

- downstream water users cannot tolerate sediment load
- fish habitat directly impacted by sedimentation

4 = environmentally acceptable

\$ = environmentally acceptable, however, may not be practical due to high construction cost

7 = not environmentally acceptable

— = not usually possible from an engineering or construction standpoint

**Wet Trench**

Use a wet trench construction method on narrow and/or warm water streams and rivers that will not be flumed, dammed and pumped, or directionally drilled (see Figure 1, Typical Waterbody Crossing Wet Trench Method)

**NOTE:** For dry intermittent streams and agricultural drainage ditches, use standard construction procedures (i.e., involving stringing, welding, excavating the trench with backhoes, installing the pipe in the trench and backfilling the trench with native material).

Where sedimentation is not a major concern, use the wet open cut method (see Figure 2, Water Crossing-Wet Open Cut of Large Rivers and Figure 3, Wet Open Cut of Small Rivers).

## Dry Trench

Use a dry instream construction method where sedimentation is a concern, and where required by permits.

## *Dam and Pump/High Volume Pump*

Use the dam and pump method on narrow watercourses with low stream flow (see Figure 4, Typical Waterbody Crossing Dam and Pump). On watercourses with moderate stream flow, use the high volume pump method (see Figure 5, Water Crossing-High Volume Pump).

**NOTE:** Have two pumps on hand, each sized with the pumping capacity of the anticipated stream flow, to ensure standby function.

If fish passage is a concern, do not use either the dam and pump or high volume pump construction method.

The dam and pump method involves damming the stream before excavating:

- Construct upstream and downstream dams of sandbags, steel plates, Aquadams™ or clean gravel with a plastic liner.
- Prevent interrupting downstream flow by pumping the water simultaneously with dam construction.
- Pump water across the construction area through a hose and onto an energy dissipation device back into the dry stream bed downstream (see Figure 4, Typical Waterbody Crossing, Dam and Pump Method).
- Continuously monitor dams for proper seal.
- Adjust the dams as necessary to prevent large volumes of water from seeping around the dams and into the construction work area.

**NOTE:** For more information on dewatering, see 02-17, Dewatering.

Place the pump in an impermeable, bermed area on the upstream side of the construction site to prevent any spilled fuel from entering the watercourse.

**NOTE:** Electric submersible pumps are the best option and should eliminate concerns with fuel spills.

Monitor the pumping operation at all times, and adjust the pump as necessary to maintain an even flow of water across the work

area and near-normal water levels upstream and downstream from the crossing.

A backup pump of equal or greater capacity must be onsite at all times in case the primary pump fails.

Pump standing water that is isolated in the construction area by the dams, or any stream water that leaks around the dams or seeps from the ground into the trench into a filter bag or a dewatering structure (see 02-17, Dewatering).

### ***Flume***

Use the flume method to cross sensitive, relatively narrow streams that have straight channels and that are relatively free of large rocks and bedrock at the point of crossing.

**NOTE:** The diameter of conduit (flume) must be large enough to accommodate the maximum stream flow.

The flume method involves placing a conduit in the stream bed to direct stream flow across the construction area without introducing sediment into the water (see Figure 6, Typical Waterbody Crossing, Flume Method):

- Install the flume(s), typically at least 12–18 m (40–60 ft) long, before trenching.
- Align the flumes such that water is not impounded upstream of the flume(s).
- Construct dams of sandbags, metal plate, water dam, plastic sheeting or clean rock (or equivalent) around the upstream and downstream ends of the flume(s).

**NOTE:** Construct the upstream dam first, to funnel stream flow into the flume(s). The downstream dam prevents backwash of water into the trench and construction work area, and keeps water in the excavation from moving downstream if flooding occurs.

Continuously monitor dams to ensure a watertight seal.

Adjust the dams as necessary to prevent large volumes of water from seeping around the dams and into the trench and construction work area.

Pump standing water that is isolated in the construction area by the dams, or any stream water that leaks around the dams or seeps from the ground into the trench:

- if clean, into the watercourse downstream of the crossing

- if dirty, into a filter bag or a dewatering structure (see 02-17, Dewatering)

**NOTE:** Salvage any stranded fish and relocate upstream

After backfilling a high sensitivity watercourse with a gravel bed, consider washing the gravel before removing the flume to minimize sediment washing downstream from the construction zone.

Remove the flume(s) after the pipeline is installed and stream banks have been restored.

### Directional Drilling

Use directional drilling for large watercourses that are environmentally sensitive to instream or streambank activity, or where conventional methods are not feasible due to engineering or navigational constraints (see Figure 7, Typical Waterbody Crossing Directional Drill Method).

Directional drilling may be economically feasible for large deep rivers that require considerable extra cover, expensive reclamation work, or where slope stability is a concern or bank disturbance must be avoided.

**NOTE:** Obtain geotechnical data before drilling. Drilling may not be feasible in streambed materials such as unconsolidated gravel.

Set up drilling equipment a minimum of 16 m (50 ft) from the edge of the watercourse. Do not clear or grade this 16 m buffer area.

Use water from an approved source (typically the river) in accordance with applicable permits to mix drilling mud. The mud mix must be appropriate for aquatic life in the stream, e.g., pure bentonite clay with no unapproved additives.

During drilling operations, prevent mud and slurry from flowing into the stream or adjacent wetlands by storing it well back from the river bank, contained by an earthen berm sediment control structure, tanks or other methods.

Minimize mud pump pressure during entry and exit of the bore to prevent frac-out, i.e., borehole fracture and escape of mud.

**NOTE:** For more information on temporary erosion and sedimentation control, see 02-14, Temporary Sedimentation Control.

After the pipe is in place, spread excess drilling mud and slurry over an upland area if approved by the company, or haul excess offsite to an approved location.

## Boring

Use the boring (or punching) method to cross irrigation canals and where practical, to cross natural watercourses (see Figure 8, Water Crossing Bored or Punched). This method may not be possible if there is excessive groundwater, sand or gravel, cobbles, large boulders or bedrock.

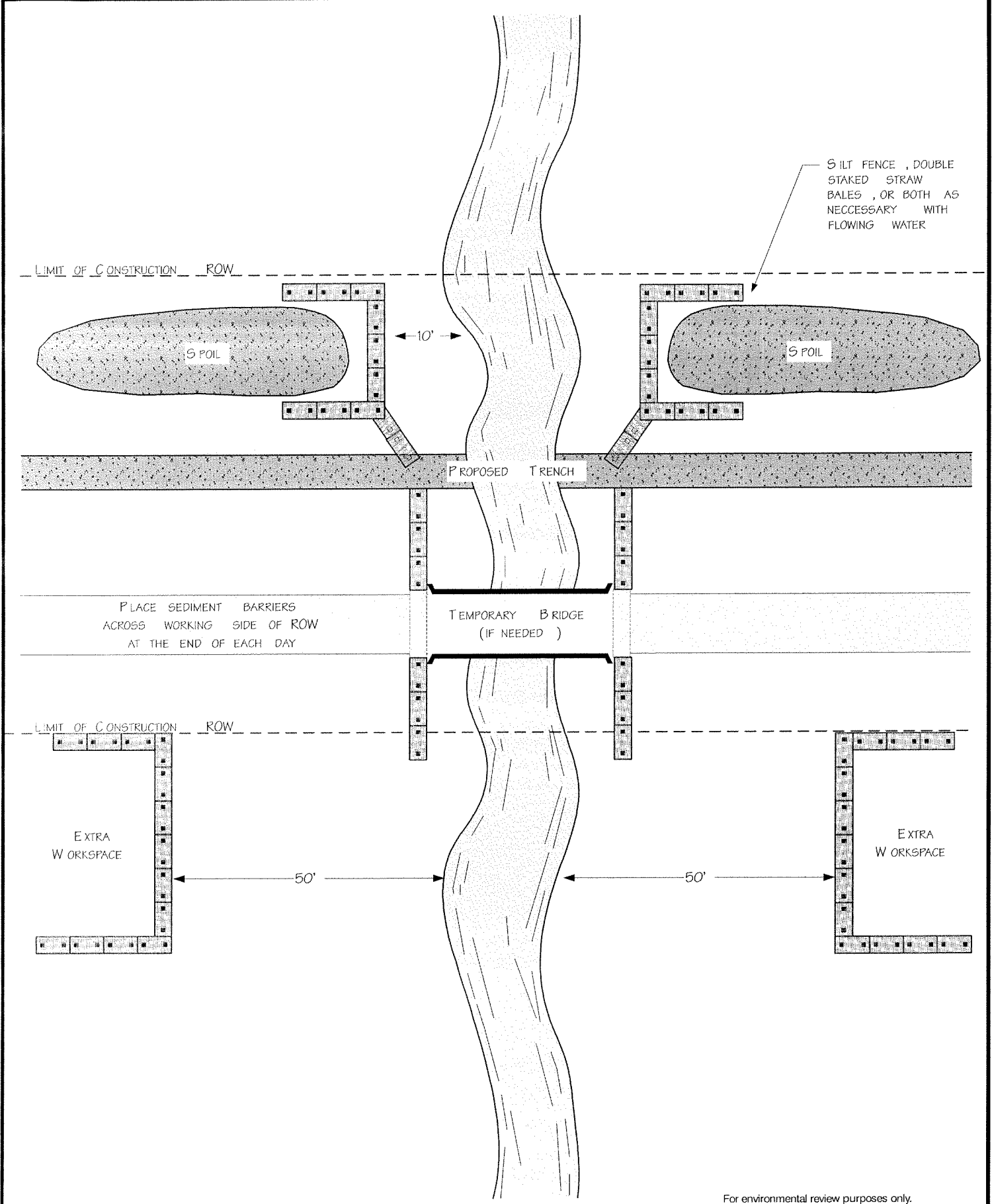
Obtain geotechnical data before boring or punching.

## Push/Pull Method

For large wetlands with standing water and saturated soils, assemble the pipeline in an upland area, and position the pipe in the trench using the push-pull and/or float techniques:

- excavate the trench using a backhoe supported on timber mats
- push-pull the prefabricated section of pipe into position or float the pipe across the wetland
- when the pipeline is in position, remove floats, if used
- backfill the trench

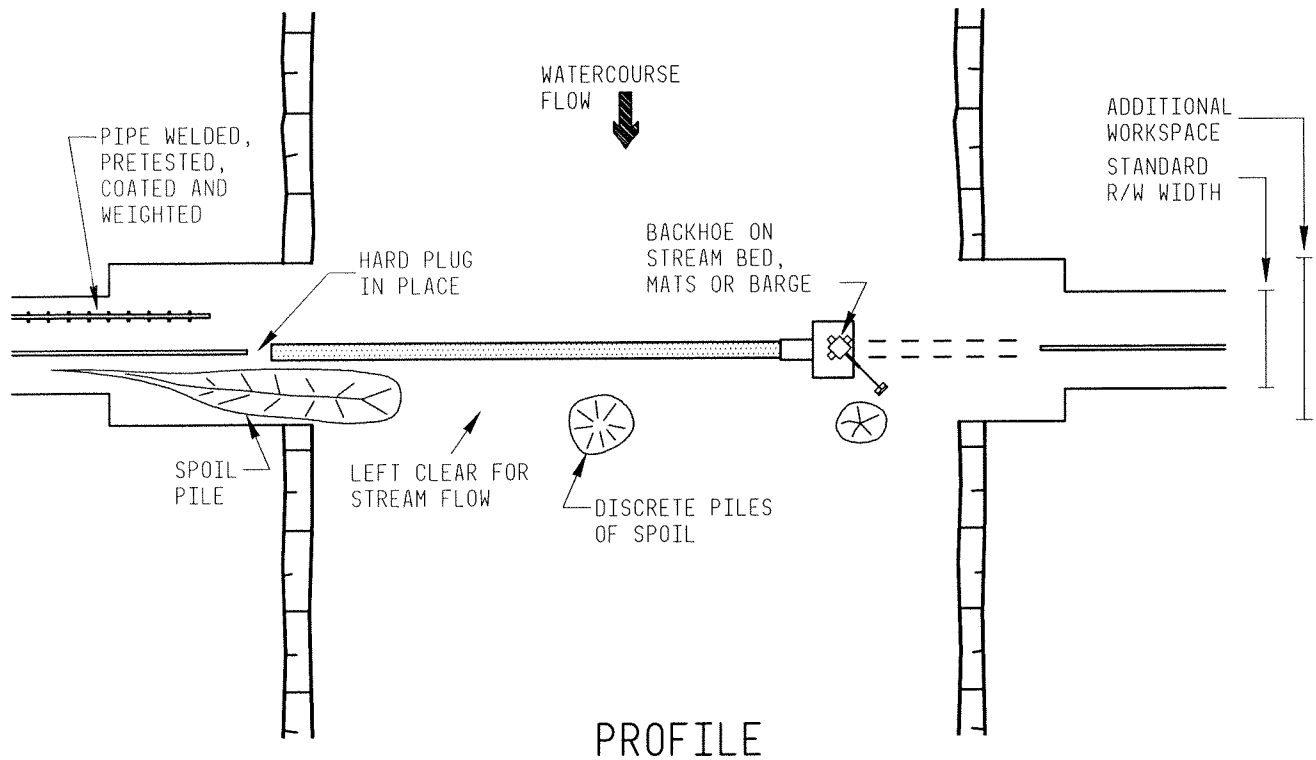
**NOTE:** The push-pull and float techniques usually requires additional temporary workspace next to the ROW (for more information, see 01-6, Determining Workspace).



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**Figure 1**  
 Typical Waterbody Crossing  
 Wet Trench Method



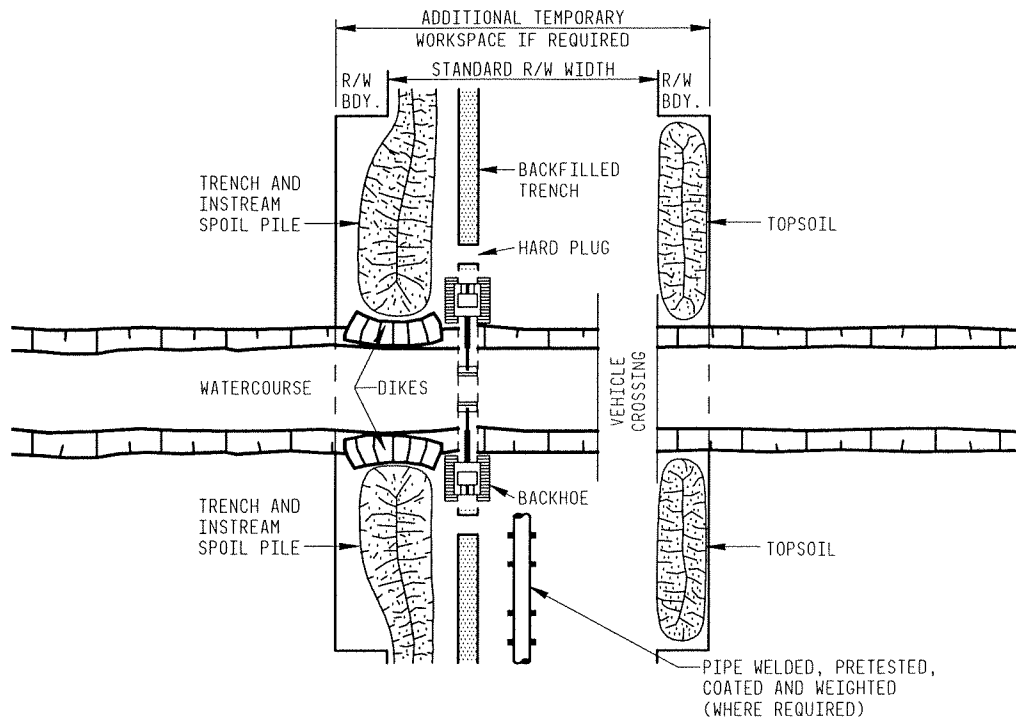
NOTES:

1. USE THIS TECHNIQUE ON LARGE WATERCOURSES WHEN A BACKHOE CANNOT REACH AT LEAST HALFWAY INTO THE CHANNEL.
2. SCHEDULE INSTREAM ACTIVITY FOR LOW FLOW PERIODS AND FOR THE APPROPRIATE TIMING WINDOW. OBTAIN ALL GOVERNMENT APPROVALS PRIOR TO INSTREAM CONSTRUCTION.
3. OBTAIN ADDITIONAL TEMPORARY WORK SPACE TO ALLOW INSTREAM SPOIL TO BE STORED ON BANKS WHERE POSSIBLE.
4. RESTRICT ROOT GRUBBING. DO NOT GRUB WITHIN 10m OF WATERCOURSE EXCEPT ALONG TRENCH LINE AND SPOIL PILE AREA WHEN ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY.
5. LEAVE HARD PLUGS AT BANK.
6. WELD, COAT, PRETEST AND WEIGHT PIPE PRIOR TO COMMENCEMENT OF INSTREAM CONSTRUCTION.
7. SERVICE OR REFUEL MOBILE CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT A MINIMUM OF 100m AWAY FROM WATERCOURSE.
8. TRENCH THROUGH WATERCOURSE RETAINING HARD PLUGS AT EACH BANK UNTIL JUST PRIOR TO PIPE INSTALLATION. STOCKPILE AS MUCH SPOIL ON BANKS AS POSSIBLE. PLACE INSTREAM STORAGE IN DISCRETE PILES AVOIDING AREAS OF HIGHEST WATER VELOCITY. DO NOT WINDROW SPOIL ACROSS THE CHANNEL OR BLOCK MORE THAN 2/3 OF THE CHANNEL. IF NECESSARY TO CONTROL WATER FLOW AND TRENCH SLOUGHING, INSTALL TEMPORARY SOFT PLUGS AND DEWATER TRENCH ON TO STABLE VEGETATED LAND, NOT DIRECTLY TO WATERCOURSE. MAINTAIN STREAMFLOW, IF PRESENT, THROUGHOUT CROSSING CONSTRUCTION. LOWER IN AND BACKFILL IMMEDIATELY. RESTORE STREAM CHANNEL TO APPROXIMATE PRECONSTRUCTION PROFILE AND SUBSTRATE. ATTEMPT TO COMPLETE ALL STREAM ACTIVITY WITHIN 24 HOURS.
9. RESTORE AND STABILIZE WATERCOURSE BANKS AND APPROACHES TO AS CLOSE TO ORIGINAL GRADES AS POSSIBLE (TO A MAXIMUM 3:1). INSTALL BANK PROTECTION WHERE APPROPRIATE.
10. SEED AND FERTILIZE BANKS IMMEDIATELY.

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**Figure 2**  
Water Crossing -  
Wet Open Cut of Large Rivers



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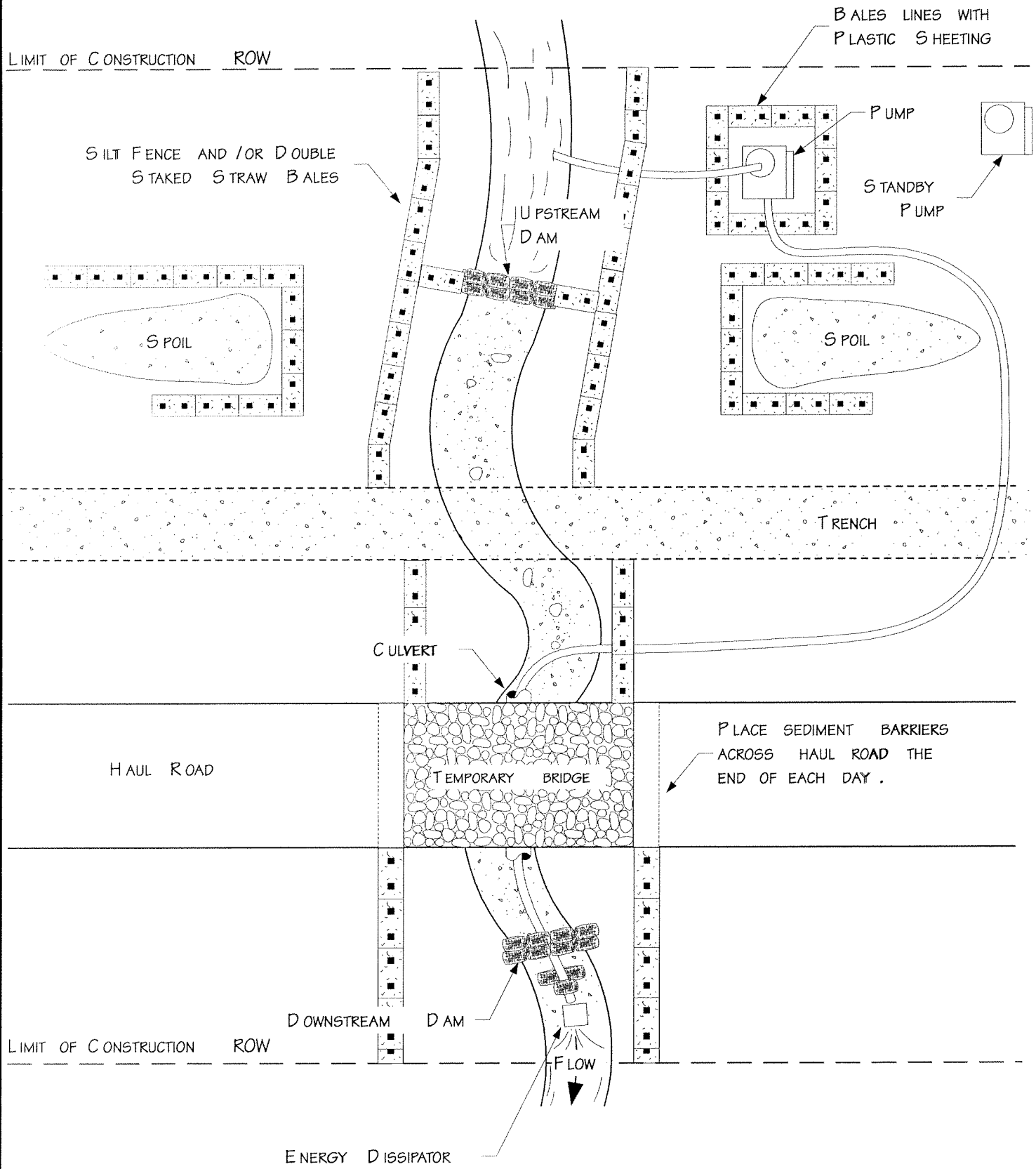
**NOTES:**

1. USE THE WET CROSSING METHOD WHEN CONTROL OF SEDIMENTATION IS NOT A MAJOR CONCERN.
2. SCHEDULE INSTREAM ACTIVITY FOR LOW FLOW PERIODS AND FOR THE APPROPRIATE TIMING WINDOW. OBTAIN ALL GOVERNMENT APPROVALS PRIOR TO INSTREAM CONSTRUCTION.
3. OBTAIN ADDITIONAL TEMPORARY WORK SPACE TO ALLOW INSTREAM SPOIL TO BE STORED ON BANKS. ALL SPOIL SHOULD BE STORED ON BANKS OF ANY WATERCOURSES LESS THAN 20m WIDE.
4. INSTALL VEHICLE CROSSING IF REQUIRED.
5. RESTRICT ROOT GRUBBING. DO NOT GRUB WITHIN 10m OF WATERCOURSE EXCEPT ALONG TRENCH LINE AND SPOIL PILE AREA WHEN ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY.
6. WELD, COAT, PRETEST IF REQUIRED AND WEIGHT PIPE PRIOR TO COMMENCEMENT OF INSTREAM CONSTRUCTION.
7. SERVICE OR REFUEL MOBILE CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT A MIN. OF 100m AWAY FROM WATERCOURSE.
8. TRENCH THROUGH WATERCOURSE RETAINING HARD PLUGS AT EACH BANK UNTIL JUST PRIOR TO PIPE INSTALLATION. STOCKPILE ALL INSTREAM SPOIL ON BANKS IF POSSIBLE. ON LARGER WATERCOURSES STOCKPILE AS MUCH SPOIL ON BANKS AS POSSIBLE. IF INSTREAM STORAGE IS REQUIRED; PLACE IN DISCRETE PILES AVOIDING AREAS OF HIGHEST WATER VELOCITY. DO NOT WINDROW SPOIL ACROSS THE CHANNEL OR BLOCK MORE THAN 2/3 OF CHANNEL. IF NECESSARY TO CONTROL WATER FLOW AND TRENCH SLOUGHING, INSTALL TEMPORARY SOFT PLUGS AND DEWATER TRENCH ON TO STABLE VEGETATED LAND, NOT DIRECTLY TO WATERCOURSE. MAINTAIN STREAMFLOW, IF PRESENT, THROUGHOUT CROSSING CONSTRUCTION. INSPECT, REPAIR OR REPLACE PIPE AND BACKFILL IMMEDIATELY. RESTORE STREAM CHANNEL TO APPROXIMATE PRECONSTRUCTION PROFILE AND SUBSTRATE. ATTEMPT TO COMPLETE ALL STREAM ACTIVITY WITHIN 24 HOURS.
9. RESTORE AND STABILIZE WATERCOURSE BANKS AND APPROACHES TO AS CLOSE TO ORIGINAL GRADE AS POSSIBLE (TO A MAXIMUM 3:1). INSTALL BANK PROTECTION WHERE APPROPRIATE.
10. SEED AND FERTILIZE BANKS IMMEDIATELY.

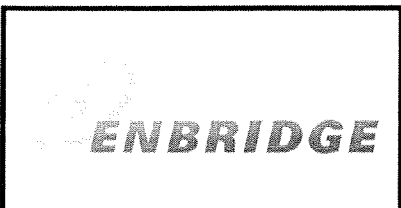
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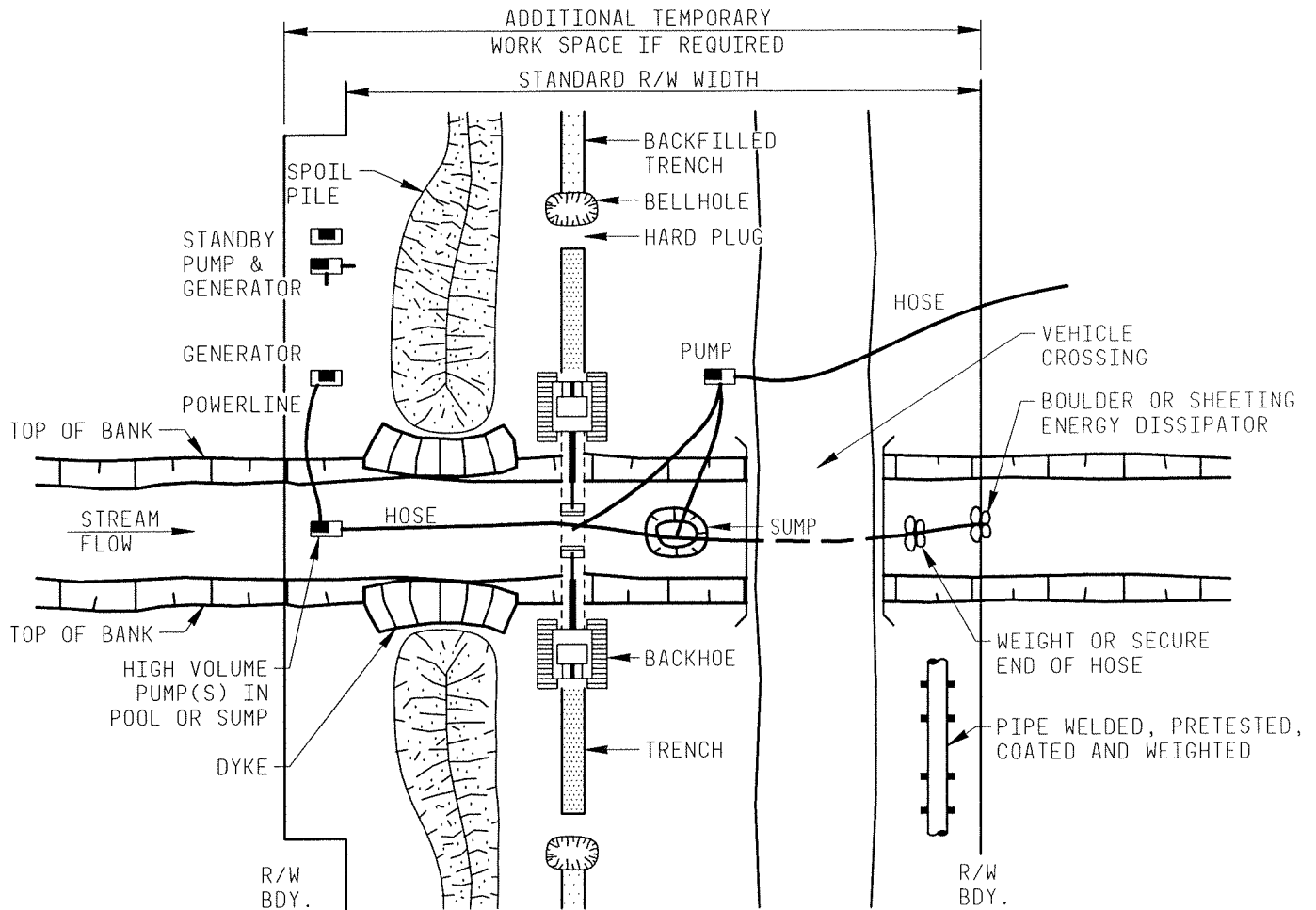
**Figure 3**  
Water Crossing -  
Wet Open Cut of Small Rivers



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**Figure 4**  
 Typical Waterbody Crossing  
 Dam and Pump Method



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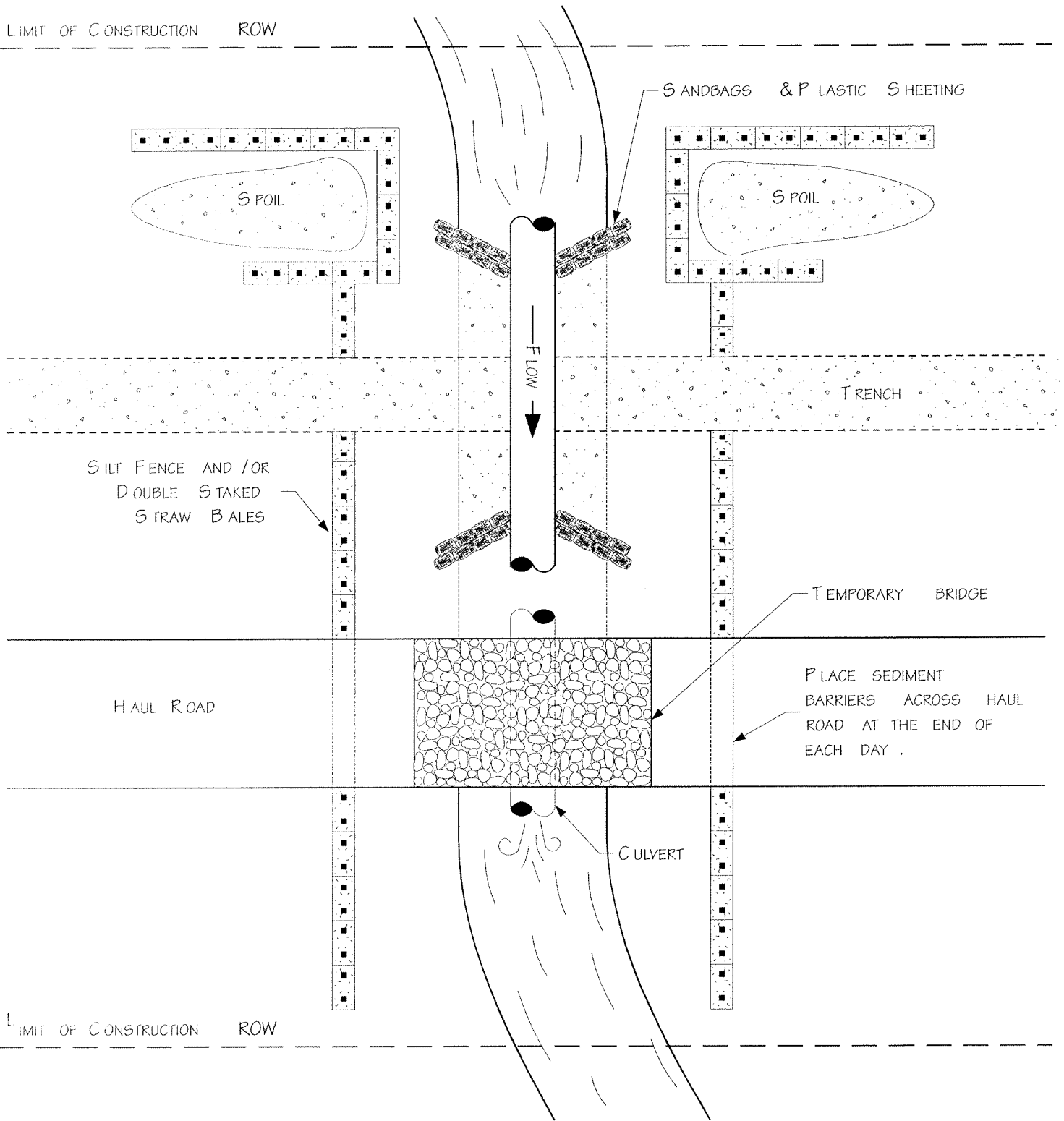
1. USE HIGH VOLUME PUMP METHOD ON WATERCOURSES WITH MODERATE STREAMFLOW TO PREVENT SEDIMENTATION AND INTERRUPTION OF STREAMFLOW DURING INSTREAM WORK. THIS METHOD IS NOT APPROPRIATE IF FISH PASSAGE IS A CONCERN.
2. SCHEDULE CONSTRUCTION DURING LOW FLOW ON LARGE WATERCOURSES.
3. INSTALL TEMPORARY VEHICLE CROSSING
4. ENSURE ADEQUATE ELECTRIC POWER SUPPLY AND ADEQUATELY SIZED PUMPS. HAVE STANDBY PUMP(S) ON SITE.
5. INSTALL PUMP IN POOL LOCATED UPSTREAM OF THE EXCAVATION. DIG TEMPORARY SUMP UPSTREAM IF NO NATURAL POOL EXISTS. ADD ADDITIONAL PUMPING CAPACITY IF REQUIRED. DISCHARGE WATER THROUGH OR INTO AN ENERGY DISSIPATOR INTO THE RIVER CHANNEL SUFFICIENTLY DOWNSTREAM OF THE TRENCH TO PREVENT WATER FLOWING BACK INTO THE EXCAVATION.
6. IMMEDIATELY INITIATE FISH SALVAGE FROM ISOLATED POOLS. ENSURE FISH SALVAGE PERMIT(S) ARE ACQUIRED PRIOR TO INSTALLING PUMP.
7. DIG A SMALL SUMP DOWNSTREAM OF CROSSING TO COLLECT SILT LADEN WATERS. INSTALL SMALL PUMPS IN SUMP AND TRENCH TO DISCHARGE SILT-LADEN WATER ON TO WELL VEGETATED SOILS AWAY FROM THE WATERCOURSE.
8. EXCAVATE TRENCH, COMPLETE REPAIR WORK AND BACKFILL TRENCH. MOVE HOSE AS REQUIRED TO MAINTAIN STREAMFLOW.
9. WASH BACKFILLED TRENCH AREA INTO SUMP. PUMP SILT-LADEN WATER FROM TRENCH ONTO A WELL VEGETATED AREA OFF RIGHT OF WAY. ALSO COMPLETE THIS STEP IN THE EVENING PRIOR TO SHUTTING OFF UPSTREAM PUMP IF INSTREAM WORK IS TO OCCUR ON SUCCESSIVE DAYS.

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**Figure 5**  
Water Crossing -  
High Volume Pump

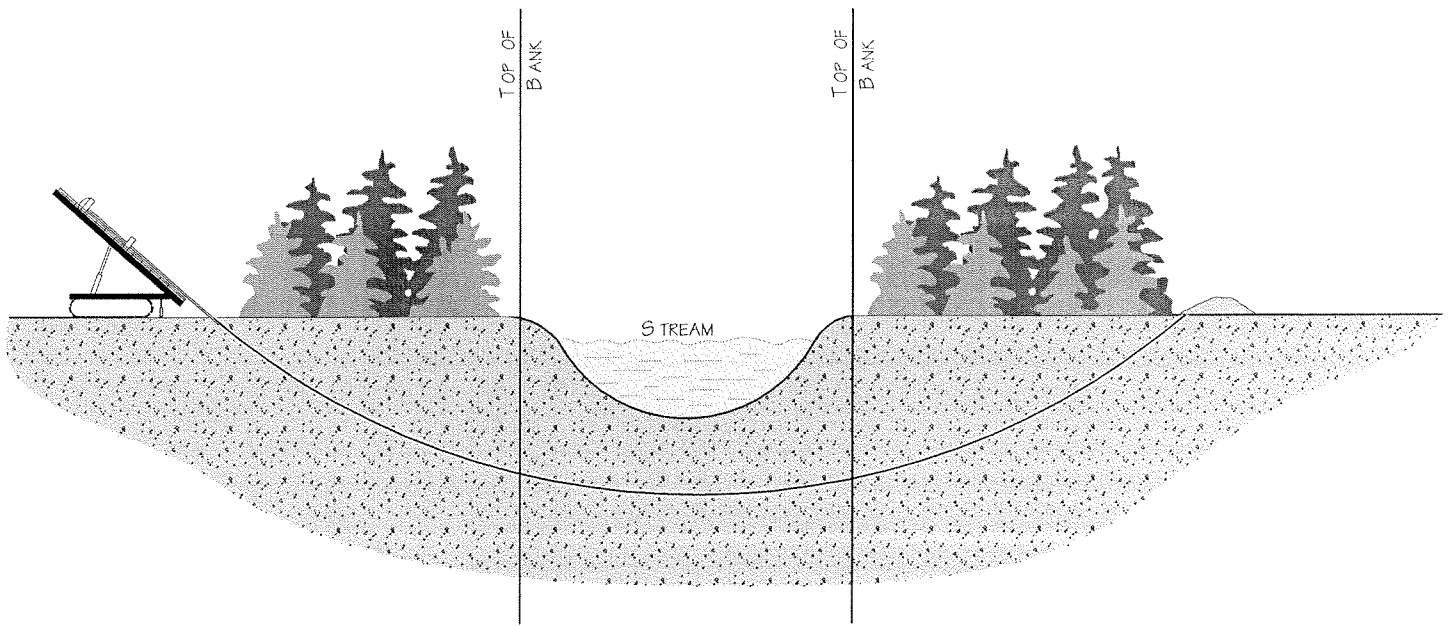
LIMIT OF CONSTRUCTION ROW



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**Figure 6**  
Typical Waterbody Crossing  
Flume Method



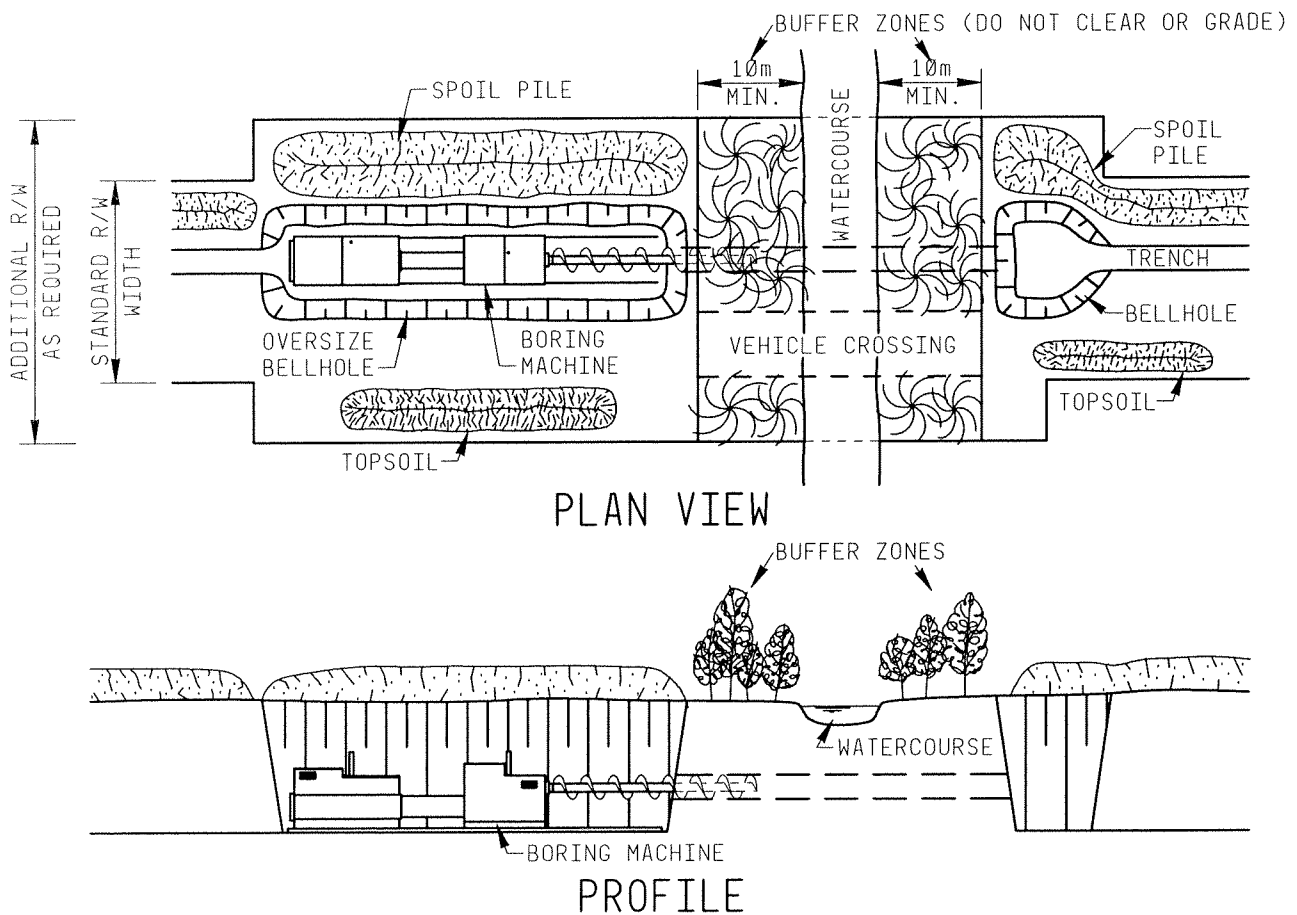
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**Figure 7**

Typical Waterbody Crossing  
Directional Drill Method

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NOTES:

1. BORE (OR PUNCH) WATERCOURSE CROSSING TO PREVENT SEDIMENTATION OF WATERCOURSE, INTERRUPTION OF STREAM FLOW, AND ALTERATION OF STREAM SUBSTRATE. THIS METHOD IS APPROPRIATE FOR CROSSING IRRIGATION CANALS AND OCCASIONALLY, FOR CROSSING NATURAL WATERCOURSES. HOWEVER, IT MAY NOT BE POSSIBLE IF THERE IS EXCESSIVE GROUNDWATER, OR A PERMEABLE OR ROCKY SUBSTRATE OF GRAVEL, COBBLES, LARGE BOULDERS OR BEDROCK. OBTAIN GEOTECHNICAL DATA PRIOR TO COMMENCING BORING (OR PUNCHING).
2. ACQUIRE AND MARK ADDITIONAL TEMPORARY WORK SPACE.
3. INSTALL VEHICLE CROSSING.
4. EXCAVATE BELLHOLE. STORE SPOIL ON OPPOSITE SIDE OF RIGHT OF WAY.
5. COMPLETE BORING AND TIE-IN TO MAINLINE.
6. PUMP BELLHOLE DRY IF SEEPAGE BECOMES A PROBLEM.
7. BACKFILL AND COMPACT. LEAVE A CROWN TO ALLOW FOR SUBSIDENCE.
8. RESEED AND FERTILIZE AS APPROPRIATE.

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**Figure 8**  
Water Crossing -  
Bored or Punched

## EQUIPMENT CROSSINGS

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### Purpose

Temporary equipment crossings are constructed at watercourses (except for drainage ditches and intermittent streams) to allow machinery and vehicles to travel along the right-of-way (ROW). Stream beds and banks can be excessively damaged if inappropriate crossings are used or if heavy equipment travels before crossings are installed.

**NOTE:** Equipment crossings are usually installed in conjunction with clearing activities.

### Guidelines

#### Planning and Preparation

Obtain permission from appropriate government agencies before constructing an equipment crossing. Contact the environment department for assistance.

**NOTE:** Bridge construction or installation is usually specified in the regulatory permits required for water crossings; review permits before proceeding.

**NOTE:** For more information on project planning, see Tab 01, Pre-Construction.

#### Installation

Install equipment crossings in locations that will not interfere with pipeline work activities, typically close to the worksite ROW boundary.

Install equipment crossings on adjacent previously disturbed ROW, if available and practical, to minimize clearing and grading at the proposed crossing.

#### Crossing Methods

Select an appropriate equipment crossing method (see Table 1, Equipment Crossing Methods) based on geotechnical, biological and hydraulic considerations, and on discussions with government agencies

**Table 1  
Equipment Crossing Methods—CAN**

Crossing Method	Small Watercourse less than 6 m (20 ft)			Medium Watercourse 6 to 15 m (20 to 50 ft)			Large Watercourse greater than 15 m (50 ft)		
	L	M	H	L	M	H	L	M	H
<b>Bridge</b>									
• existing bridge	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
• permanent bridge	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
• temporary bridge	\$	\$	4	\$	4	4	4	4	4
• ice bridge	\$	\$	4	\$	4	4	4	4	4
<b>Fill</b>									
• swamp mat	4	4	41	—	—	—	—	—	—
• log/pipe fill	4	4	41	—	—	—	—	—	—
• snow fill	4	4	41	—	—	—	—	—	—
• clean rock ramp & culvert/flume	4	4	41	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Ford</b>									
• travel pad	\$	7	7	4	7	7	4	7	7
• ford	4	7	7	7	7	7	7	—	—
<b>Barge</b>									
• barge	—	—	—	\$	\$	4	\$	4	4

**NOTES**

L = Low sensitivity

- no downstream water users
- no fish habitat impacted by construction
- no flow

M = Medium sensitivity

- downstream water users
- no significant impact on fish habitat by construction
- low probability of downstream habitat impacted by sediment

H = High sensitivity

- downstream water users cannot tolerate sediment load
- fish habitat directly impacted by sedimentation

4 = environmentally acceptable

\$ = environmentally acceptable, however, may not be practical due to high construction cost

7 = not environmentally acceptable

— = not usually possible from an engineering or construction standpoint

1 Environmentally acceptable only when constructed within a dry crossing or nonflowing water.

**Bridges**

***Design and Maintenance***

Equipment bridges must be designed to withstand the maximum expected flow of the stream, and maintained to prevent flow restriction while the bridge is in place, e.g., remove any debris that restricts flow.

Bridges must be constructed with clean materials, and maintained to minimize soil from equipment falling into the water, e.g., built with a solid deck and remove any mud or soil that builds up, or geotextile covered with wooden treads.

### ***Existing Bridges***

Use existing bridges where the ROW is accessible from both sides of the watercourse (see Figure 1, Vehicle Crossing-Existing Bridge).

### ***Temporary Bridges***

Install temporary bridges (e.g., flexi-floats, railway flat car) to allow equipment to cross streams that:

- are sensitive
- have unstable bed and banks (see Figure 2, Vehicle Crossing-Temporary Bridge).
- are too deep, wide or fast for an alternate crossing structure.

**NOTE:** Temporary bridges are not required for drainage ditches or intermittent and other waters that are not fish bearing, unless required by permit.

Do not typically install temporary bridges at directionally drilled streams.

Limit temporary bridges to watercourses less than 30 m (100 ft) wide.

Use approach fills made of clean granular material rather than cuts in stream banks. Do not constrict flow with approach fill or support structures.

Ensure there is adequate distance between the bridge and the water level to handle anticipated stream flow and boaters.

Install an apron of logs or plywood to ensure fill material does not spill into the watercourse, where required.

### ***Ice Bridges***

Locate ice bridges at sites with gently sloping banks to minimize cuts in watercourse banks. Use snow and ice to slope approaches, rather than cutting stream banks (see Figure 3, Vehicle Crossing-Ice Bridge).

Flood the ice surface with water to increase load-bearing capacity.

Install logs to strengthen the bridge, if necessary.

**NOTE:** The ice bridge should not impede stream flow.

## **Fill**

### ***Culverts***

Design culverts to handle 150% of maximum anticipated flows. Where fish passage is required, consult with local fisheries officers to develop design guidelines.

Contact government agencies for maximum water depth specifications and maximum water velocities; then choose an appropriate culvert(s).

Place ends of culverts below the natural grade of stream at an angle that does not exceed normal stream gradient.

**NOTE:** Depth of placement depends upon streambed type, culvert size and expected flow conditions—lower is better.

### ***Log/Pipe Fill***

Install log/pipe fill to cross small watercourses with square, U- or V-shaped channels. Log/pipe fill is not appropriate where fish passage is required.

Log/pipe fill should not impede flow or cause flooding.

Install a cable under the logs, or cable the logs together to facilitate removal.

Add compacted snow if necessary to bring up to grade.

If soil is used, first install filter fabric or equivalent to prevent soil from entering the watercourse.

## **Timber Riprap and Mats**

Where a wetland cannot support vehicle traffic and low-ground pressure equipment is not used, carry out construction activities from a temporary platform of timber riprap or, preferably, from timber mats (see Figure 4, Typical Wetland Crossing).

Obtain approval from the company before using timber riprap.

For additional stabilization, place subsoil from the pipeline trench within the immediate wetland on top of the timber riprap then level for access.

Logs and timber mats are the only materials that can be brought into a wetland and placed on the working side.

**Ford**

Do not use fords during fish spawning, incubation or migration periods.

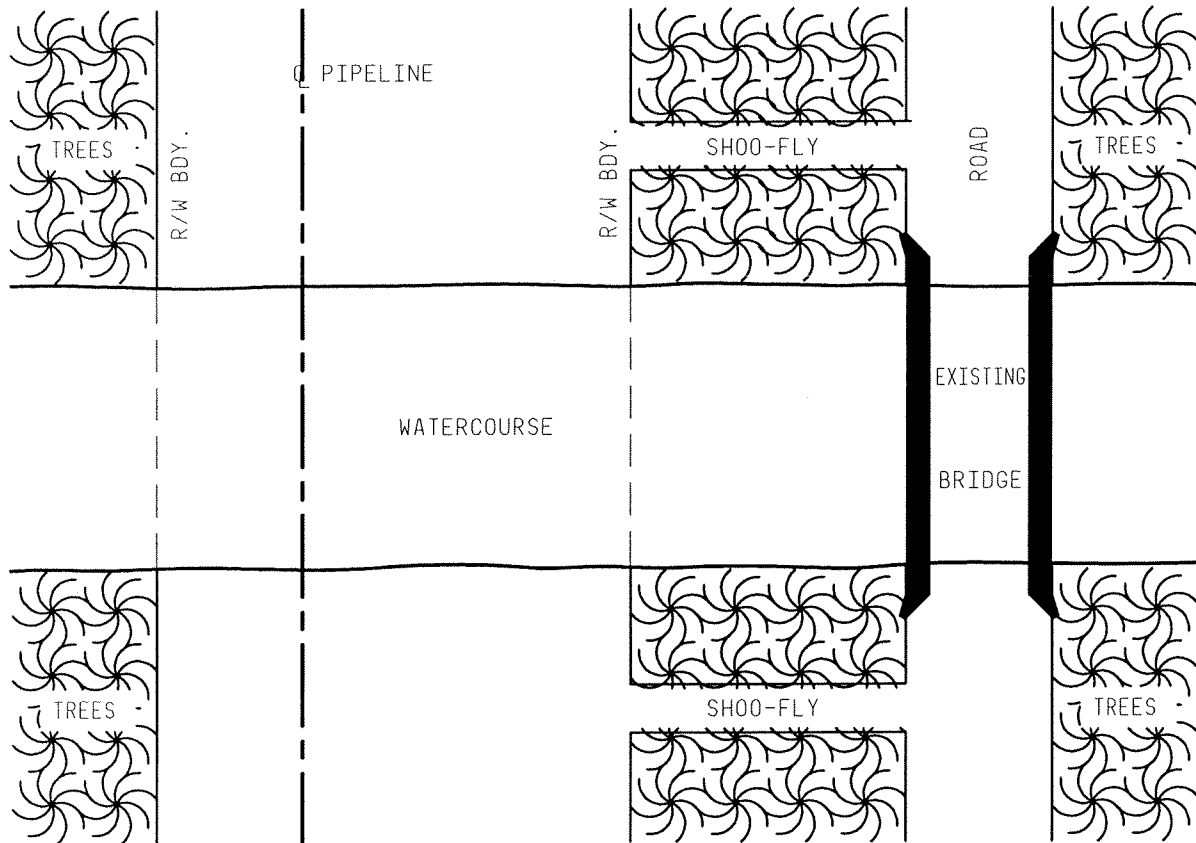
Stabilize banks and approaches with granular material underlain with a geotextile, if required.

Mark the ford boundaries on both sides of the crossing to help confine all equipment traffic to the ford.

When the ford is no longer required, restore and stabilize stream beds and bank to their original contour. Do not remove the granular material unless it is a barrier to fish during low flow conditions.

**Cleanup**

Remove equipment crossing structures as part of cleanup and restoration (for more information, see 03-3, Cleanup).



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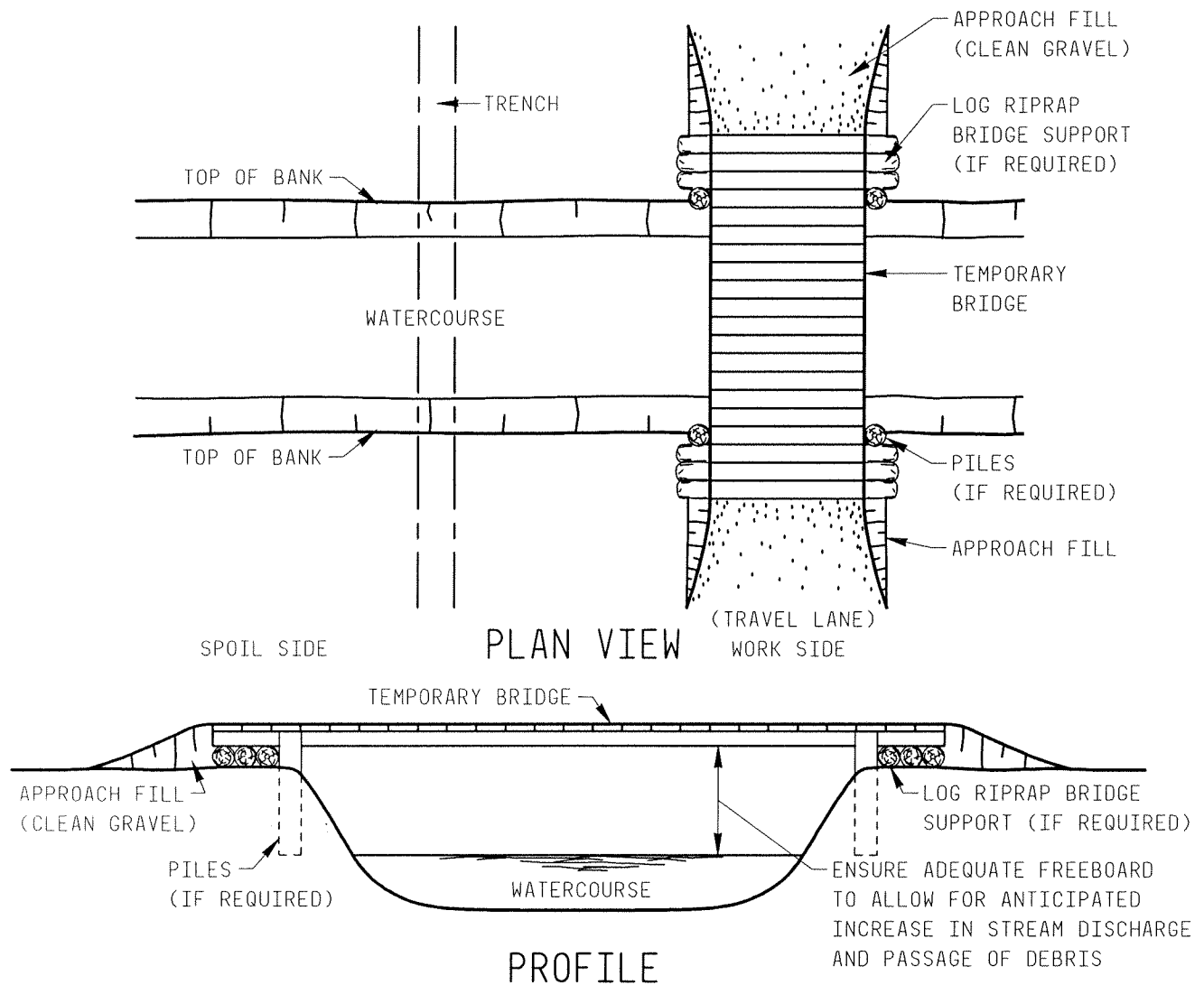
NOTES:

1. USE EXISTING BRIDGE WHENEVER POSSIBLE TO PREVENT SEDIMENTATION OF WATERCOURSE, BANK DISTURBANCE, AND ALTERATION OF STREAM BEDS CAUSED BY VEHICLES CROSSING THE WATERCOURSE.

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**Figure 1**  
Vehicle Crossing - Existing Bridge



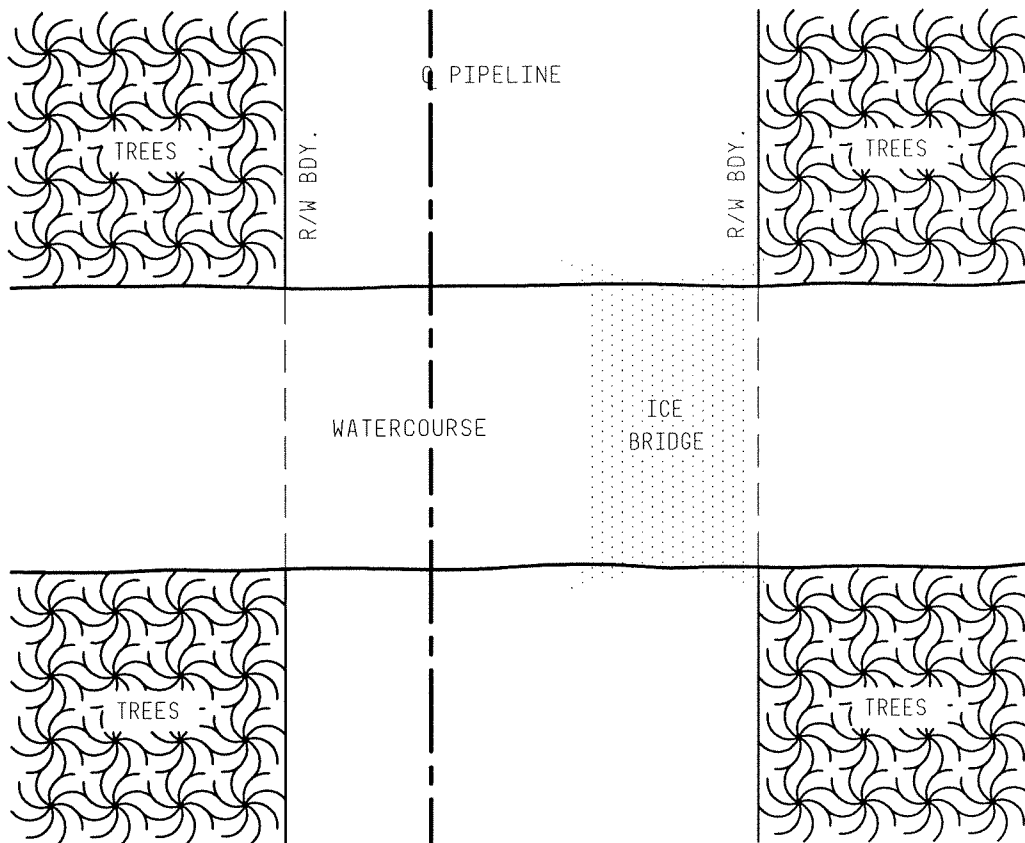
NOTES:

1. INSTALL A TEMPORARY BRIDGE TO ALLOW VEHICLES TO CROSS A WATERCOURSE THAT IS HIGHLY SENSITIVE OR THAT HAS UNSTABLE BED AND BANKS. BRIDGES ARE ALSO USED WHERE WATERCOURSES ARE TOO DEEP, WIDE OR FAST TO PERMIT AN ALTERNATE CROSSING STRUCTURE. THIS METHOD MINIMIZES SEDIMENTATION OF THE WATERCOURSE, AND STREAM BANK AND BED RESTORATION WORK. IT IS GENERALLY LIMITED TO WATERCOURSES LESS THAN 30m IN WIDTH.
2. UTILIZE APPROACH FILLS OF CLEAN GRANULAR MATERIAL RATHER THAN CUTS IN STREAM BANKS TO MINIMIZE EROSION POTENTIAL. DO NOT CONSTRICT FLOW WITH APPROACH FILL OR SUPPORT STRUCTURES. ENSURE ADEQUATE DISTANCE BETWEEN THE BRIDGE AND THE WATER WELL (FREE-BOARD) TO HANDLE ANTICIPATED STREAM FLOWS AND BOATERS.
3. INSTALL APRON OF LOGS OR PLYWOOD TO ENSURE THAT FILL MATERIAL DOES NOT SPILL INTO THE WATERCOURSE. WHERE REQUIRED.

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**Figure 2**  
Vehicle Crossing - Temporary Bridge



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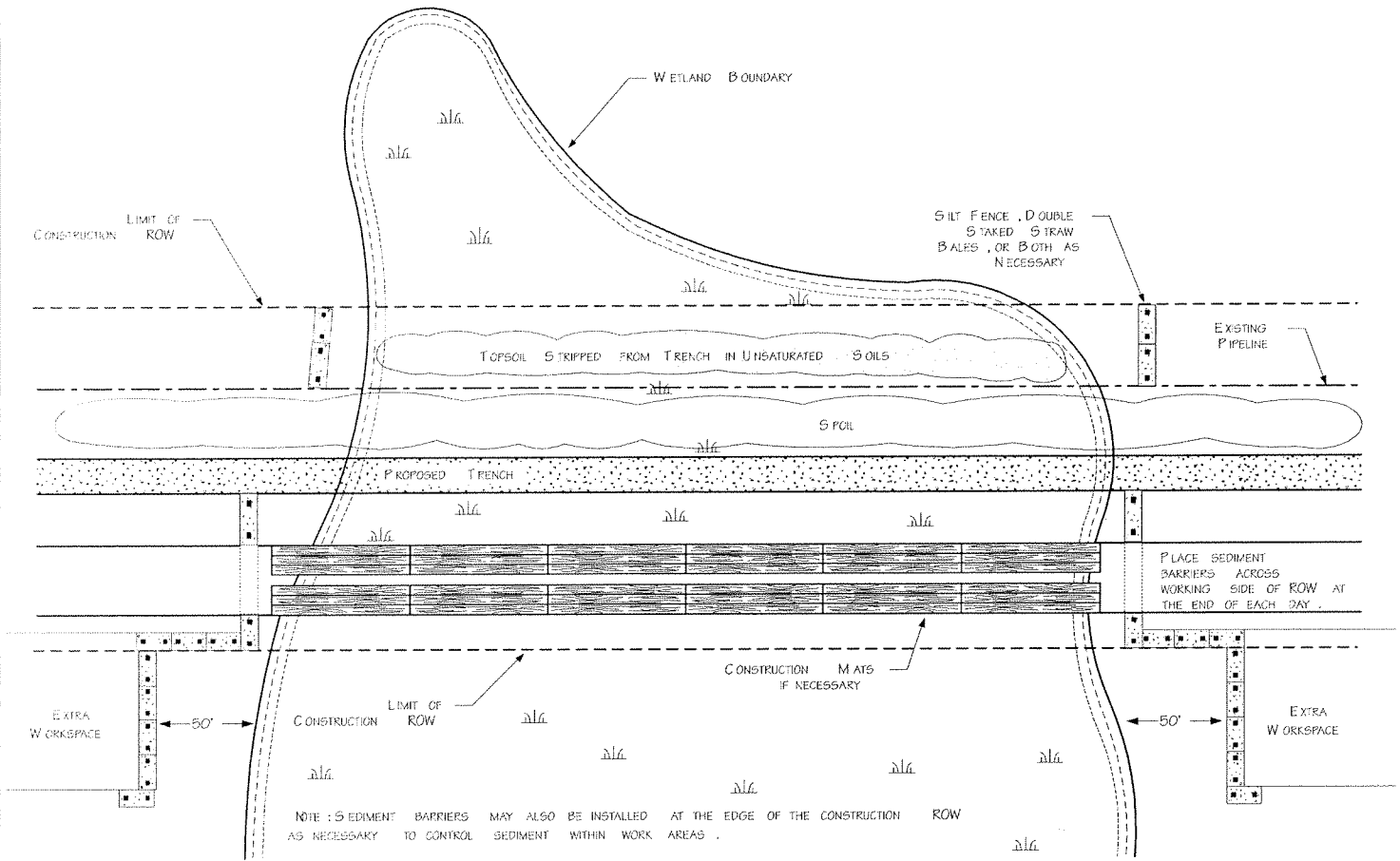
NOTES:

1. INSTALL ICE BRIDGES ON WINTER PROJECTS WHEN A SAFE ICE THICKNESS CAN BE MAINTAINED.
2. LOCATE ICE BRIDGES AT SITES WITH GENTLY SLOPING BANKS TO MINIMIZE CUTS IN WATERCOURSE BANKS. USE SNOW AND ICE TO SLOPE APPROACHES, RATHER THAN CUT BANKS.
3. FLOOD ICE SURFACE WITH WATER AND COVER WITH SNOW TO INCREASE LOAD BEARING CAPACITY. LOGS MAY BE USED AS A BASE TO STRENGTHEN THE BRIDGE.
4. ICE BRIDGE SHOULD NOT IMPEDE FLOW.

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**Figure 3**  
Vehicle Crossing - Ice Bridge



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**Figure 4**  
Typical Wetland Crossing

## SLOPE BREAKERS

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### Purpose

Slope breakers, also called berms or diversion berms, may be temporary or permanent. Slope breakers are installed to divert water away from disturbed areas and to reduce erosion from runoff.

### Guidelines

Determine the location and direction of slope breakers based on local topography and drainage patterns.

### Construction

Ensure the backfill is well compacted uphill of and underneath the slope breaker. If the backfill cannot be compacted, line the uphill side of the breaker with geotextile over the ditchline.

Construct slope breakers using compacted native materials, i.e., earthen material, with a 4-ft base and a height of 0.45 m (1.5 ft), or 1 m (3 ft) high for winter [frozen] construction) (see Figure 1, Slope Breaker – Elevation View). Silt fence or hay bales also may be used to construct temporary slope breakers.

If groundwater flow is a concern in the construction area, install the slope breaker berm with a trench breaker to direct subsurface flow out of the trench and to the surface.

Where trench breakers are installed, install berms immediately downslope of the gravel drain and overlying the trench breaker.

**NOTE:** For more information, see 02-15, Trench Breakers.

Where native material is erodible, protect the upslope of the berm and the base of the cross ditch with riprap.

**NOTE:** For more information, see 03-6, Installing Rock Riprap.

Install soil berms with a downhill gradient of 5°–10° [95°–100° of fall line] to prevent water from ponding behind berms and to allow for drainage away from the trench line (see Figure 2, Typical Temporary or Permanent Berms – Perspective View).

Terminate slope breakers toward appropriate energy dissipating devices (e.g., in a well-vegetated area, silt fence, rock apron), and staggered a minimum of 2 m (6 ½ ft) off the right-of-way (ROW) if possible.

Tie new berms into existing berms where possible.

Ensure there is no crown in the diversion ditch.

## **Installation**

### ***Temporary Breakers***

Install temporary slope breakers:

- at the base of slopes leading to streams or wetlands
- immediately uphill from disturbed areas
- spaced according to Table 1, Typical Spacing for Slope Breakers

Do not install temporary slope breakers during frozen conditions unless snow melt and runoff are likely during construction.

Inspect temporary slope breakers daily and repair as necessary to maintain operational integrity and to prevent erosion.

Remove temporary slope breakers as necessary during working days and replace before leaving the area.

Where a temporary slope breaker crosses an open trench, leave a hard plug in place.

### ***Permanent Breakers***

Install permanent slope breakers according to the spacing in Table 1, Typical Spacing for Slope Breakers.

If the length of the slope is less than the distance of the required spacing in Table 1, no slope breakers are required unless the slope is to a watercourse, where one large breaker should be installed at the toe of the slope.

Do not install permanent slope breakers on agricultural land unless specifically requested by the landowner

**Table 1—CAN  
Typical Spacing for Slope Breakers**

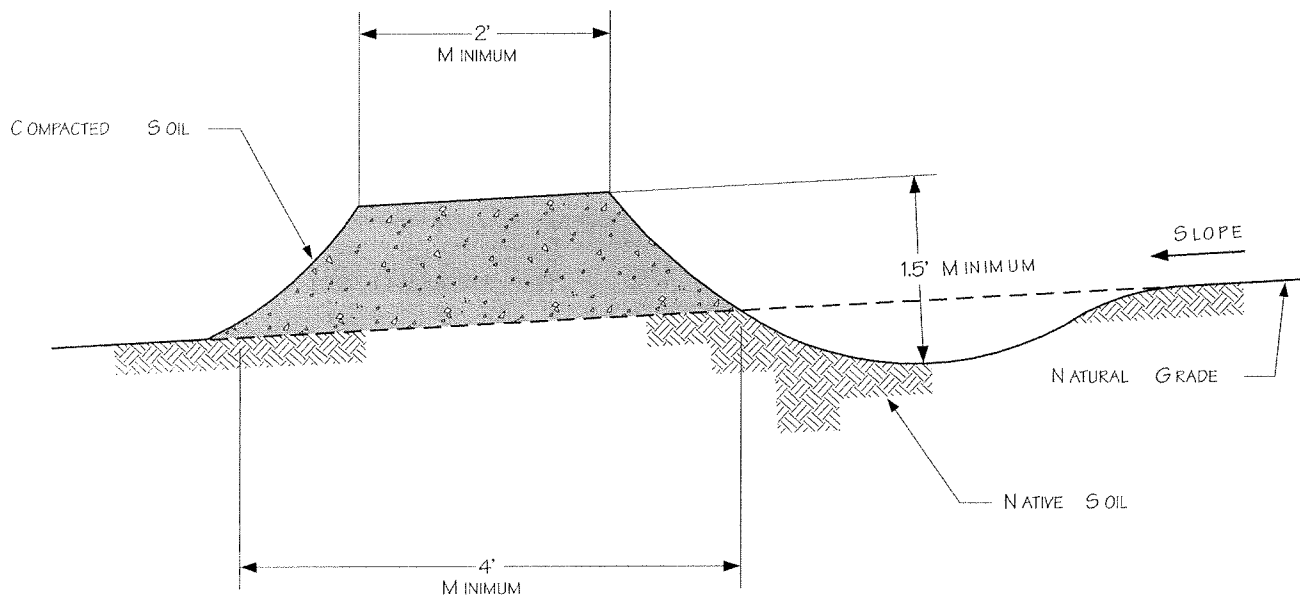
Slope		Spacing <sup>1</sup>	
(°)	(%)	(m)	(ft)
<8	<15	as required	
8–14	15–25	45	148
14–17	30–35	35	115
17–20	30–35	20	65
>20	>35	10–15	32–50

**NOTES**

1 Rely on field judgment to determine appropriate spacing.

**Table 1—USA  
Typical Spacing for Slope Breakers**

Slope (%)	Spacing	
	(m)	(ft)
>5–15	92	300
>15–30	61	200
>30	31	100



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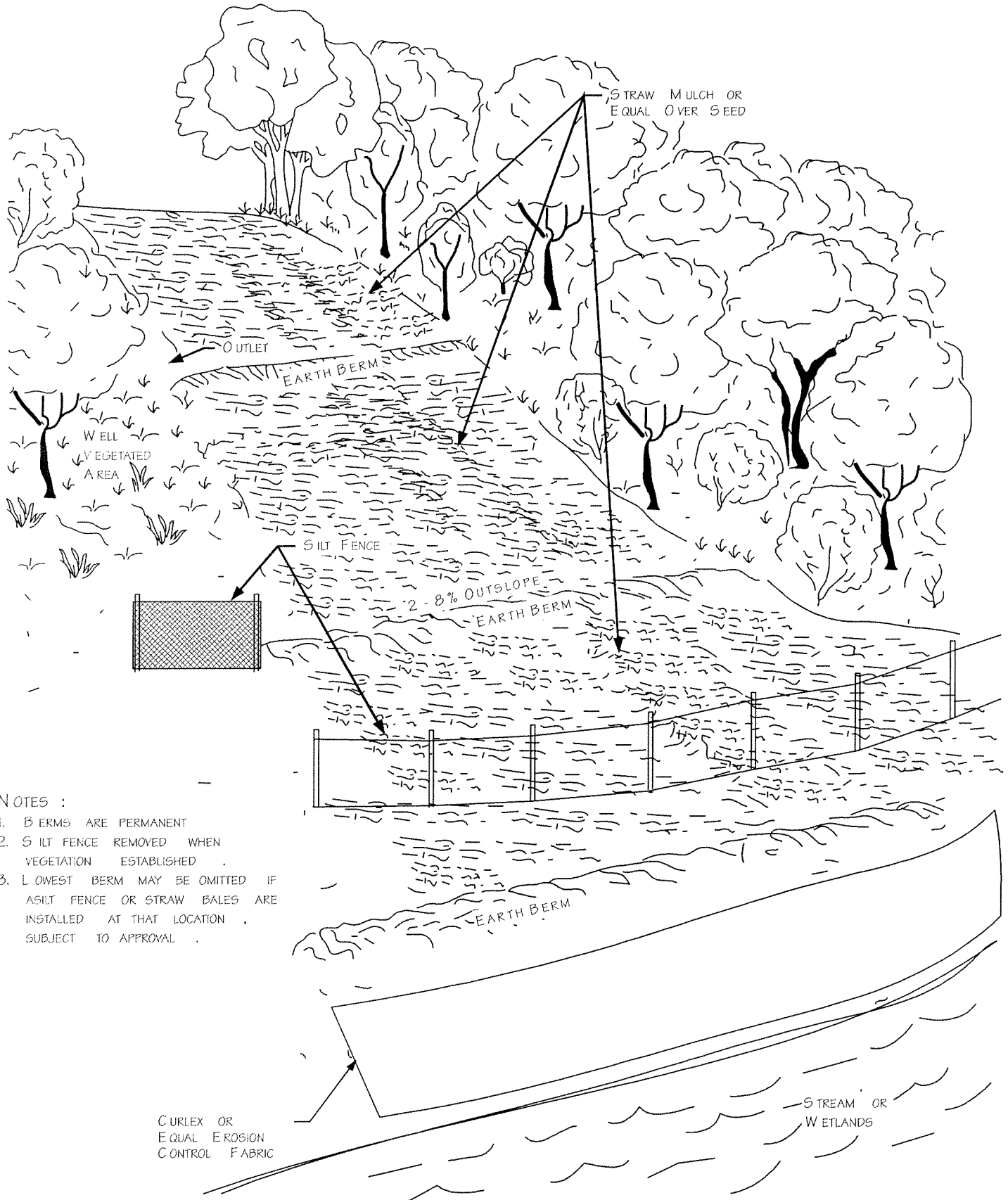
1. BERMS SHALL BE CONSTRUCTED WITH 2 TO 8 PERCENT OUTSLOPE .
2. BERMS SHALL BE OUTLETED TO WELL VEGETATED STABLE AREAS , SILT FENCES , STRAW / HAY BALES OR ROCK APRONS .
3. BERMS SHALL BE SPACED AS DESCRIBED IN CONSTRUCTION SPECIFICATIONS .

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**Figure 1**

Slope Breaker - Elevation View



NOTES :

- 1. BERMS ARE PERMANENT
- 2. SILT FENCE REMOVED WHEN VEGETATION ESTABLISHED
- 3. LOWEST BERM MAY BE OMITTED IF SILT FENCE OR STRAW BALES ARE INSTALLED AT THAT LOCATION SUBJECT TO APPROVAL

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**Figure 2**  
 Typical Temporary or Permanent Berms  
 Perspective View

**TEMPORARY SEDIMENT BARRIERS****02-14**

**Purpose** Temporary sediment barriers (e.g., silt fence, straw bales) are installed to stop the flow of sediment from spoil piles and disturbed areas into watercourses/wetlands or from sloped approaches leading to watercourses/wetlands.

**Guidelines** Where possible, leave a buffer of undisturbed vegetation between disturbed areas and potential receivers of off-site sediment, e.g., watercourses, wetlands, roads.

**NOTE:** For more information, see 02-4, Clearing and Grubbing.

**Construction**

Construct temporary sediment barriers with silt fence or staked straw bales (see Figures 1, Typical Silt Fence Installation & Figure 2, Typical Strawbale Installation). If large amounts of silt are expected, consider reinforcing the installation by installing snow fence behind the silt fence and tying them together.

Use steel reinforcing rods to stake straw bales if frozen conditions make wooden stakes impractical.

Silt fence must be a minimum of 36 in. high.

**Installation**

Install temporary sediment barriers:

- before or immediately after the ground is disturbed
- at the base of slopes leading to watercourses and wetlands
- between the edges of the disturbed area and watercourses
- at other sloped areas with watercourses downslope
- at the base of slopes leading to road crossings where vegetation has been disturbed (see Figure 3, in Section 02-13, Typical Temporary or Permanent Berms-Perspective View.).
- at the edge of the right-of-way (ROW) as needed to prevent siltation of watercourses downslope of the ROW

During frozen conditions, do not install temporary sediment barriers until final grading and cleanup, unless snow melt and runoff are likely during construction.

**Maintenance**

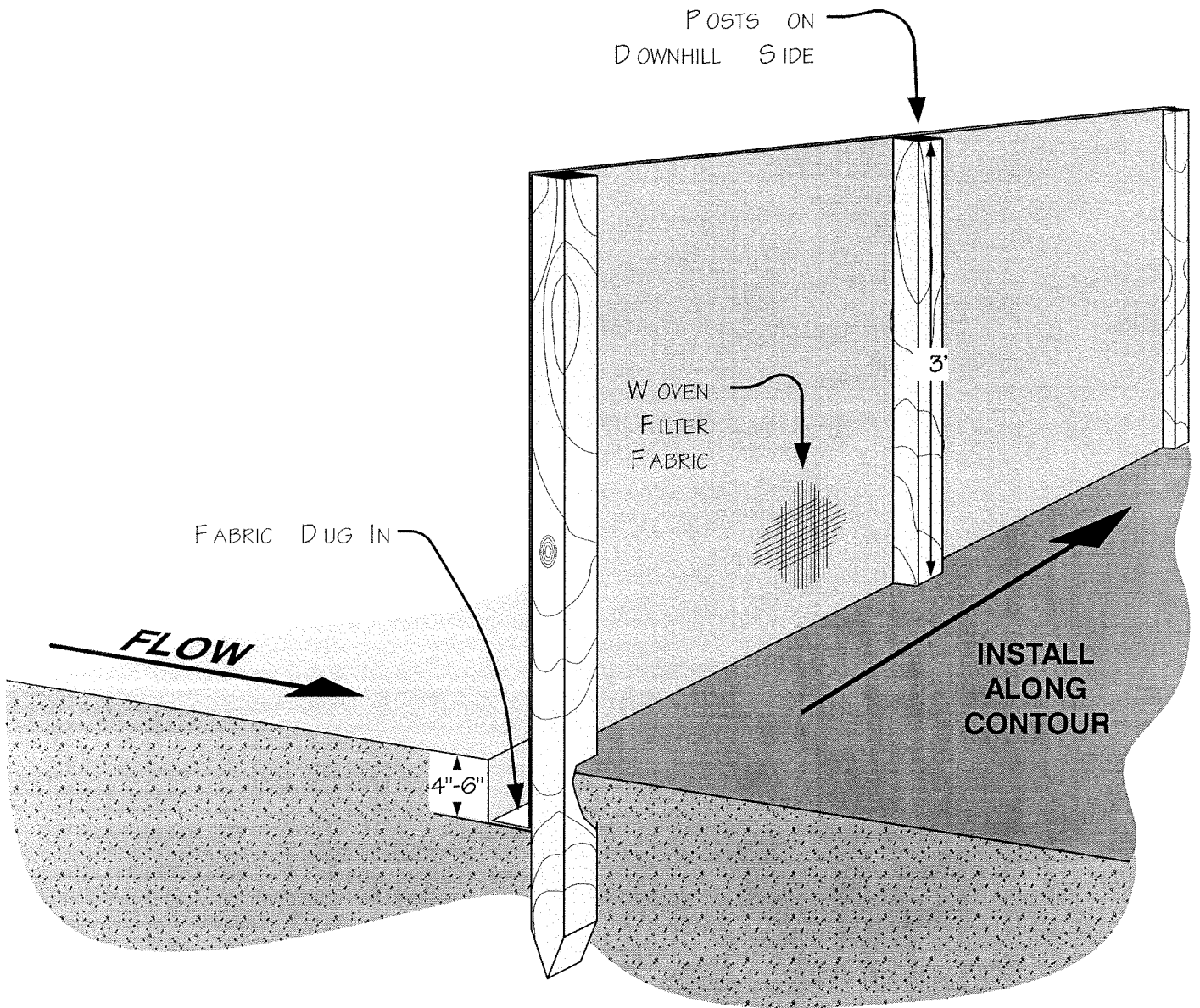
Inspect sediment barriers regularly, typically weekly and within 24 hrs of significant rainfall.

When the depth of sediment reaches one-third the height of a sediment barrier, replace the barrier and/or remove the sediment.

Repair or replace nonfunctional sediment barriers within 24 hrs of discovery.

**Cleanup**

Remove temporary sediment barriers after the disturbed area is restored/revegetated to pre-excavation condition and the area is stable.

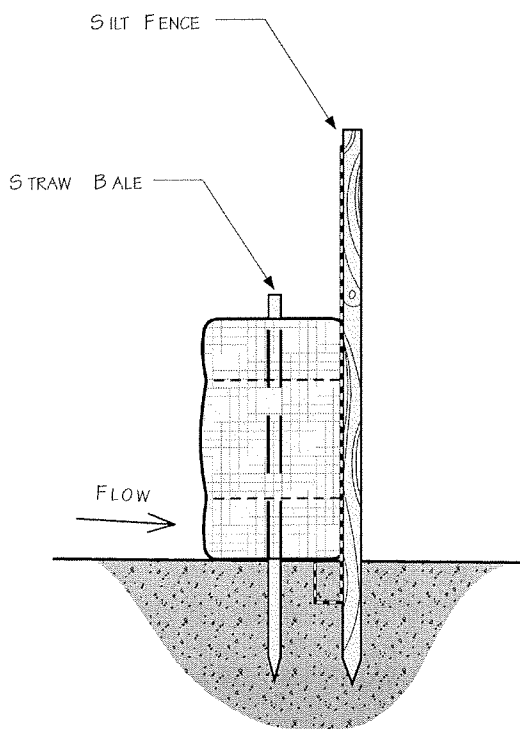
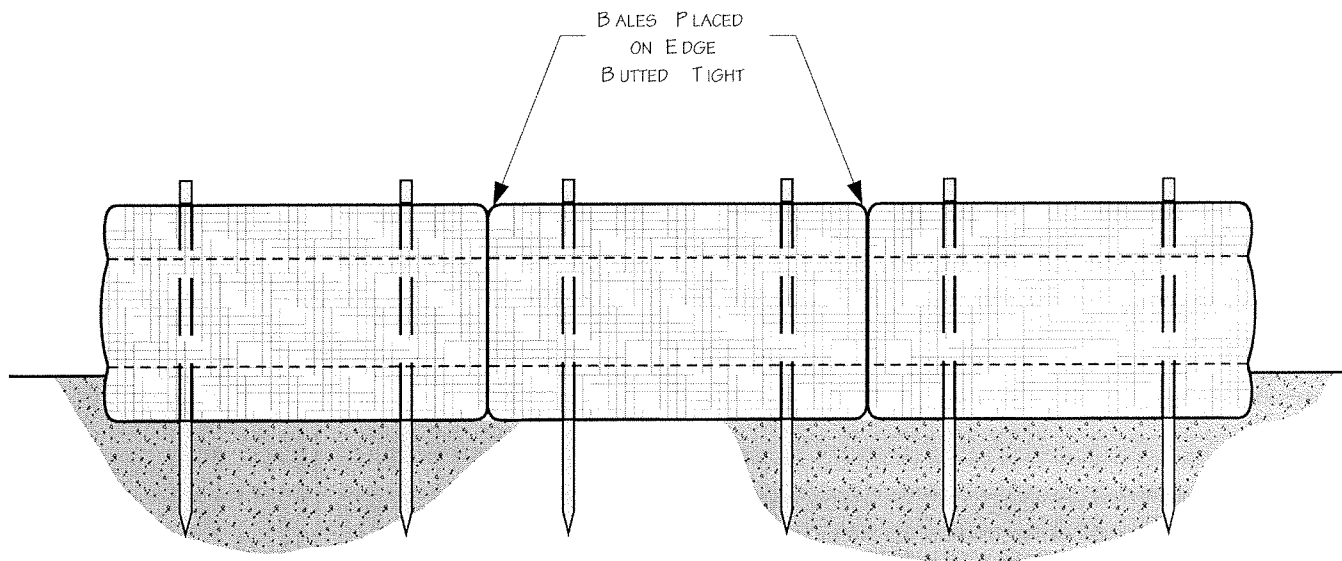


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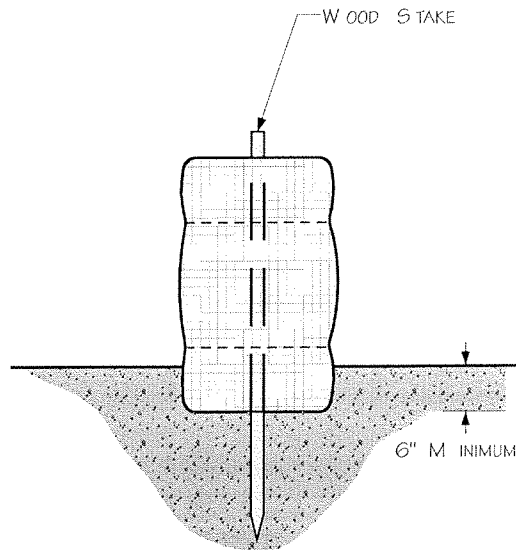


**Figure 1**

Typical Silt Fence Installation



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**TRENCH BREAKERS**

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**Purpose**

Trench breakers are installed around the pipe after it has been lowered in the trench to prevent water from channeling down the pipe and subsequently prevent subsurface erosion from occurring along the pipe once the trench is backfilled.

**Guidelines****Installation**

Determine the location of trench breakers by onsite investigation, considering the potential for subsurface flow and degree of slope. Typically, install trench breakers:

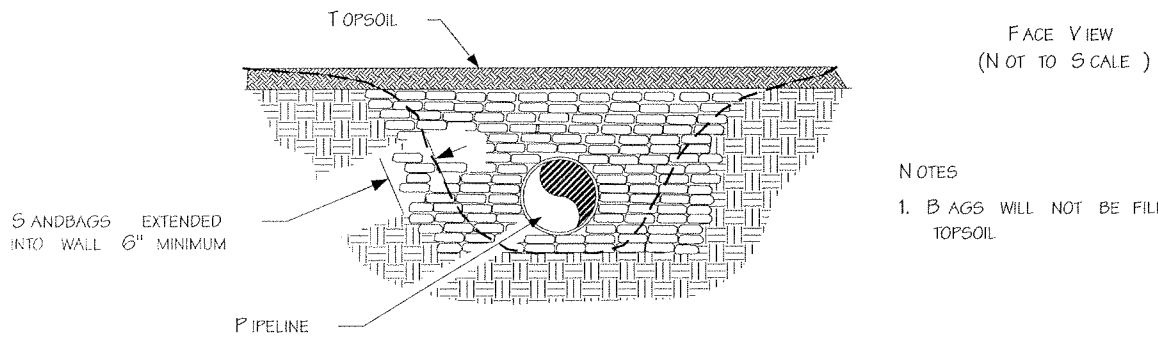
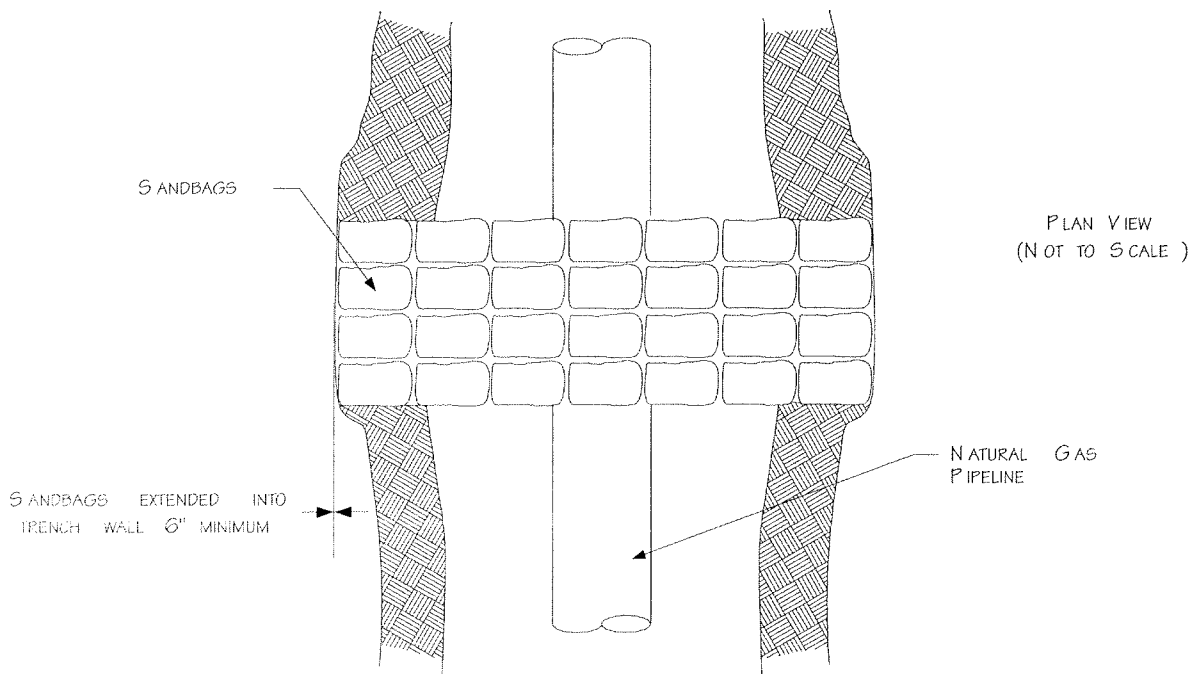
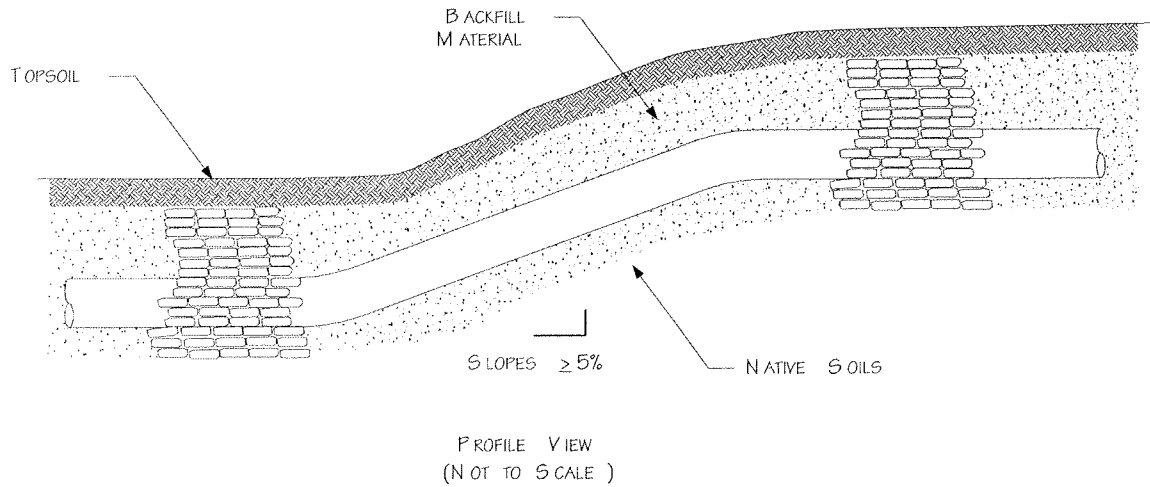
- on slopes leading to wetlands, watercourses where a trench is longer than 30 m (100 ft)
- on slopes greater than 5% next to watercourses and edges of wetlands
- where springs are evident in the ditch walls

**Construction**

Construct trench breakers using sacks filled with subsoil or sand that is free of rock, bentonite, urethane foam or other compacted impervious materials. Do not fill bags with topsoil.

Place trench breakers from the bottom of the trench to near the top of the trench, completely surrounding the pipe (see Figures 1, Typical Trench Breakers Plan and Profile View & Figure 2, Typical Trench Breakers Perspective View). Ensure the upslope surface is level to slightly sloping downhill to allow drainage into the cross ditch.

Space trench breakers the same as berms (see Table 1 in 02-13, Slope Breakers), or as otherwise specified by the company.



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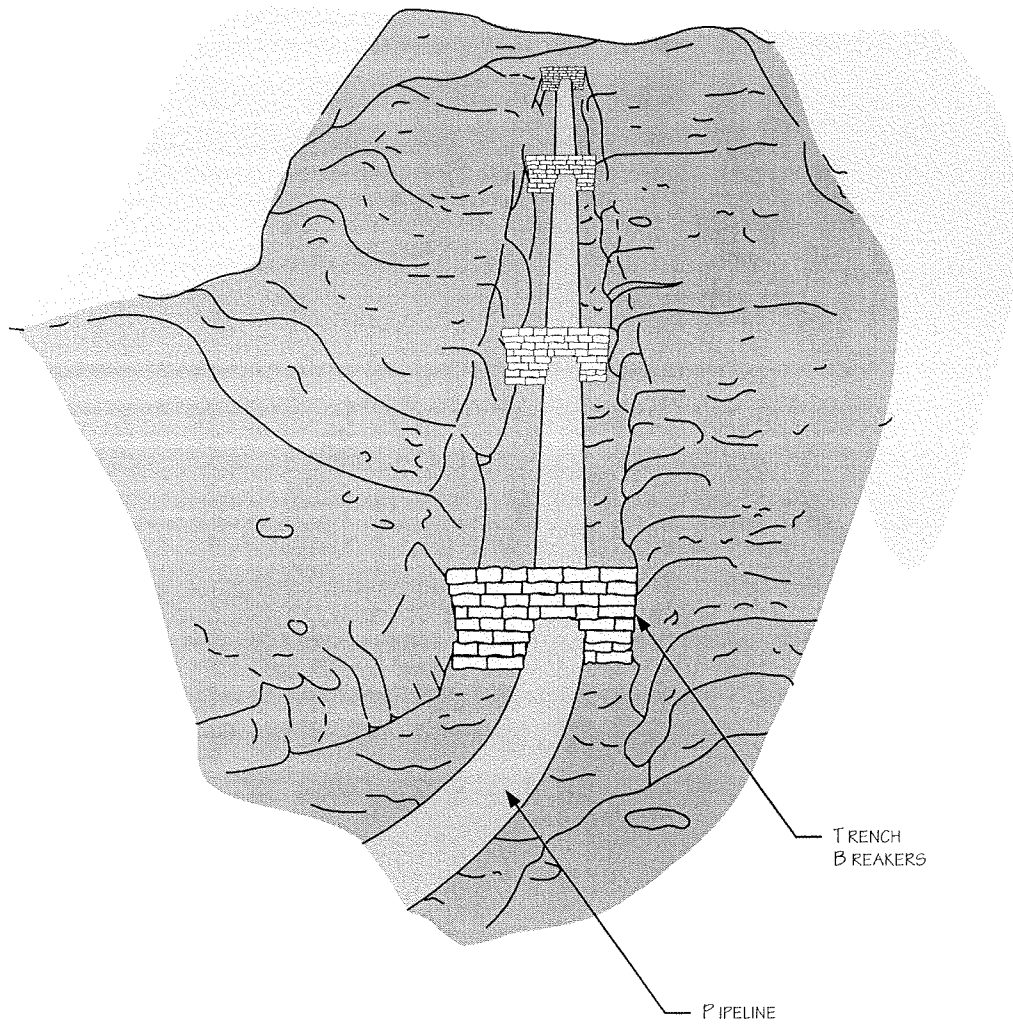
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Figure 1

Typical Trench Breakers - Plan & Profile Views



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**Figure 2**

Typical Trench Breakers - Perspective View

## WET/THAWING SOILS

02-16

**Purpose**

Wet or thawing soil in agricultural land may require delaying certain construction activities in order to avoid topsoil and subsoil compaction, or to avoid mixing, rutting and loss of soil structure.

Indications of wet or thawed soils include:

- wheelslip
- mud buildup on tires and cleats
- formation of ruts
- water ponding

**Guidelines**

To determine whether to shut down construction activities in wet conditions, consider the following factors in consultation with the environmental inspector:

- plasticity of the surface soil to a depth of 10–20 cm (4–8 in.)
- location and depth of the wetting front in relation to the A and B horizons
- extent of surface ponding
- extent and depth of rutting
- whether traffic can be rerouted around a wet area
- type of equipment and nature of the construction operations proposed for that day

Upon indication of wet or thawing soils, stop all affected construction activity immediately. Resume construction activities only after soils have dried or frozen.

If heavy runoff, spring breakup or heavy storms are imminent and there is a risk of significant soil erosion, use temporary erosion control measures such as silt fences, straw bales or temporary sand bag berms (for more information, see 02-6, Temporary Erosion and Sedimentation Control).

Respect road bans posted on private and public roads.

### **Shutdown Alternatives**

As an alternative to shutting down all construction in wet weather:

- suspend construction activities only along affected portions of the right-of-way (ROW)
- continue selected activities along the ROW, or along a portion of the ROW, that will not damage soils, e.g., bored crossings, welding

### **Mitigation**

If construction during wet or thawing soils is absolutely necessary, implement one or more of the following:

- restrict construction activity to the narrowest possible area
- use ground surface protection such as swamp mats, corduroy ramps or geotextiles
- limit traffic to equipment with wide tracks or low ground pressure tires
- operate equipment at night or early morning when the ground is frozen
- strip topsoil from the full ROW if soil conditions permit (see 02-5, Topsoil Stripping and Segregation)
- pump standing water to a vegetated area of the ROW
- backblade ruts to disperse water and allow faster drying

## DEWATERING

02-17

**Purpose**

Before lowering the pipe into the trench, it may be necessary to dewater the ditch to visually inspect the trench bottom for rocks or adequate depth. Trench dewatering also may be necessary:

- where tie-in welds are required
- at road-boring sites
- at locations where set-on weights are placed over the pipe
- in other areas where increased visibility or physical access to the trench is needed

**Guidelines**

Before commencing dewatering activities, ensure appropriate discharge permits and approvals are in place. Contact the environment department for further information. Before dewatering, any oil (free product) on the water must be completely removed or contained in the excavation as follows:

- Use sorbent booms or other means to hold the sheen to a portion of the excavation well away from the pump intake hose.
- Keep the pump intake hose submerged throughout dewatering to prevent the sheen from entering the hose.
- Direct discharge to a filter bag or hay bale structure.

If excavating in significantly contaminated soil, petroleum compounds may be dissolved in excavation water in amounts that require treatment or special dewatering approaches (e.g., tank truck). Before discharging potentially contaminated water, contact the district/regional manager and the environment department.

**Siltation**

Secure the pump intake hose at least 30 cm (1 ft) above the bottom of the trench.

Dispose of used filter bags in an approved landfill.

***Watercourses and Wetlands***

To prevent silt-laden water from flowing into wetlands and watercourses, direct dewatering discharge onto an appropriate energy dissipation device, e.g., sheet of plywood located in a well vegetated upland area (see Figure 1, Typical Dewatering Measures).

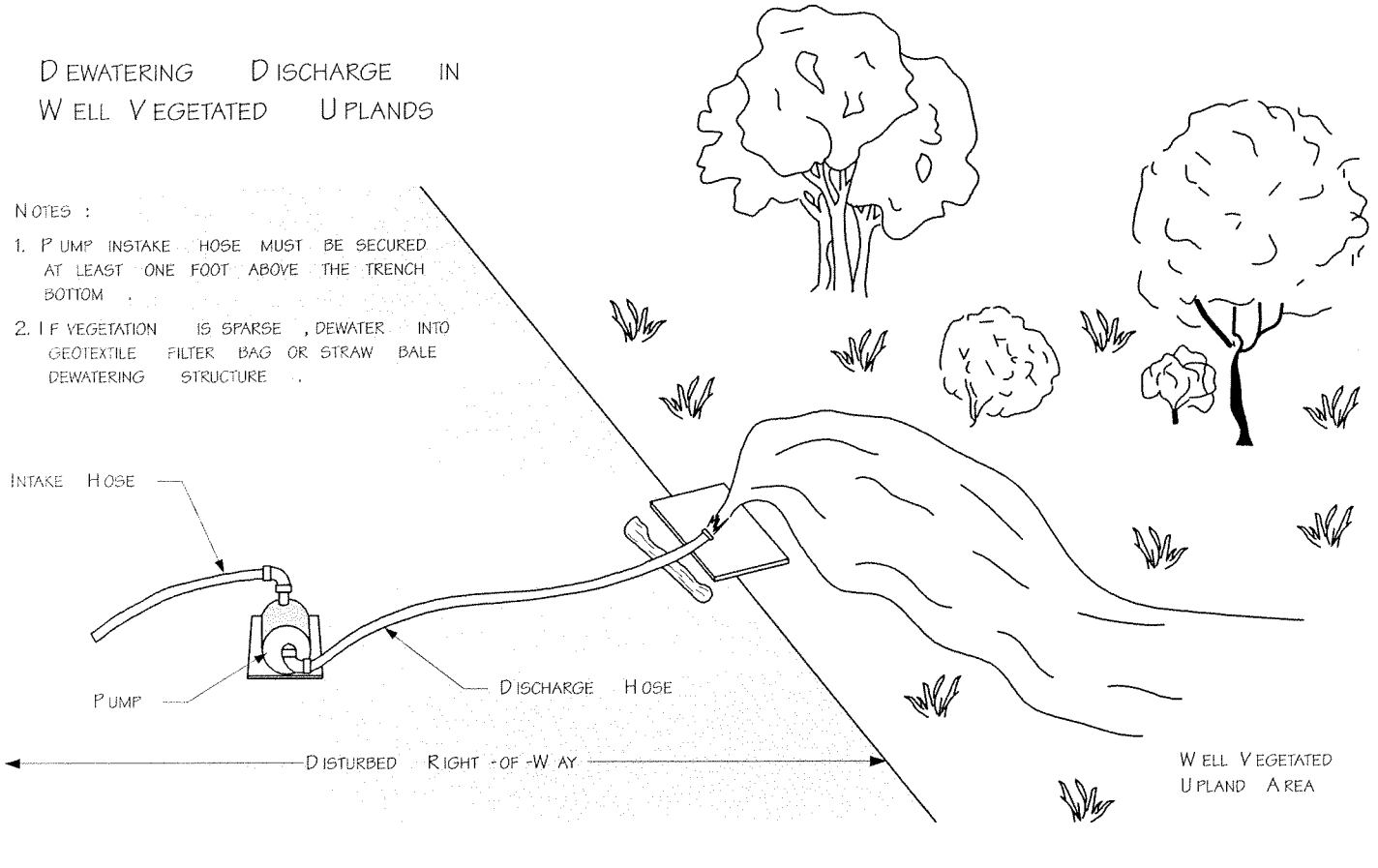
If vegetation is sparse and/or discharge is near a stream or wetland, direct dewatering discharge into a geotextile filter bag or a straw bale/silt fence dewatering structure (see Figure 2, Typical Straw Bale Dewatering Structure) then onto an upland area well away from watercourses, wetlands or drainage ditches.

**NOTE:** Use only nonwoven fabric filter bags for dewatering.

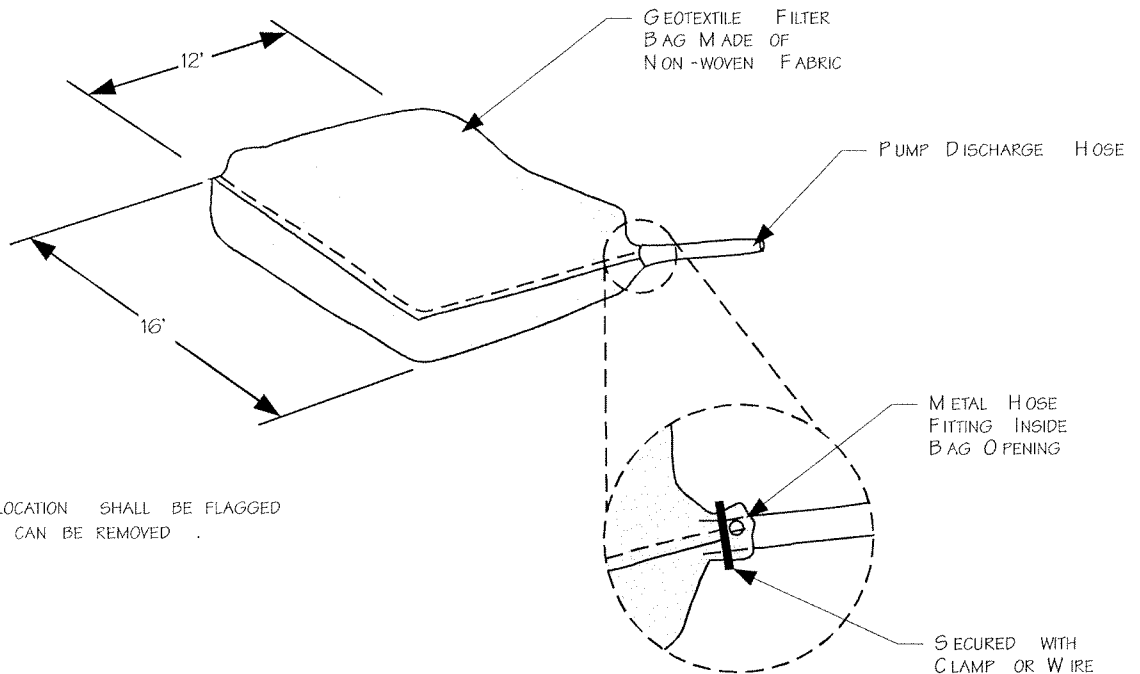
# DEWATERING DISCHARGE IN WELL VEGETATED UPLANDS

NOTES :

1. PUMP INTAKE HOSE MUST BE SECURED AT LEAST ONE FOOT ABOVE THE TRENCH BOTTOM
2. IF VEGETATION IS SPARSE, DEWATER INTO GEOTEXTILE FILTER BAG OR STRAW BALE DEWATERING STRUCTURE



## GEOTEXTILE FILTER BAG



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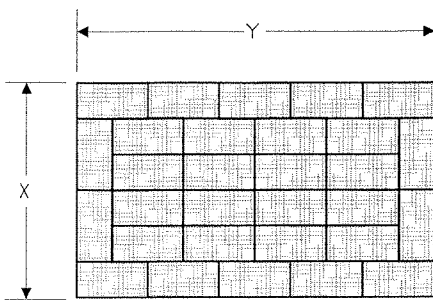
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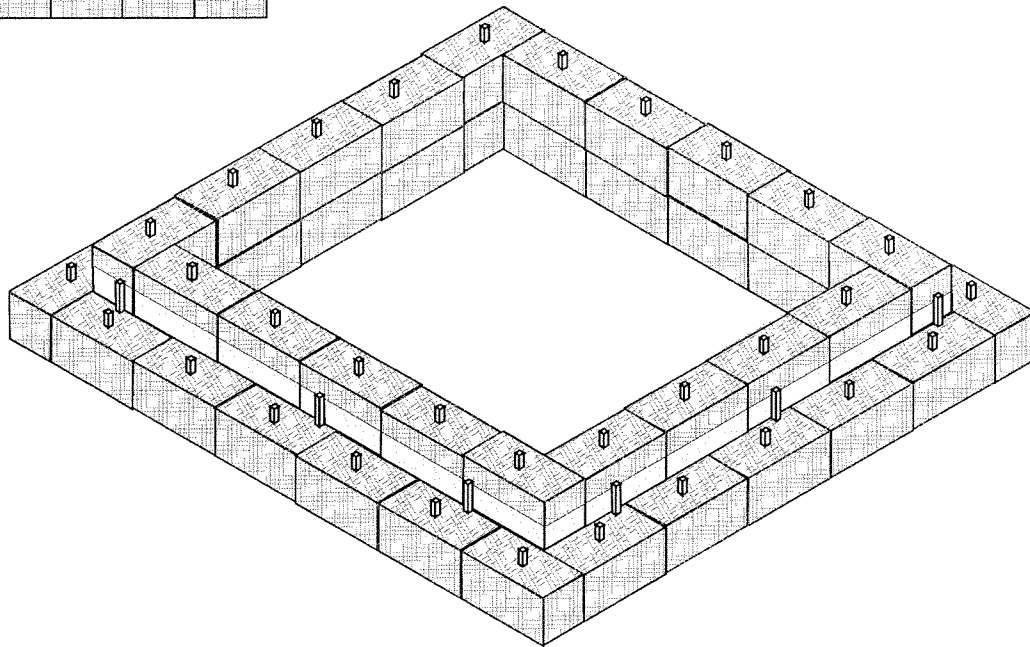
Figure 1

Typical Dewatering Measures

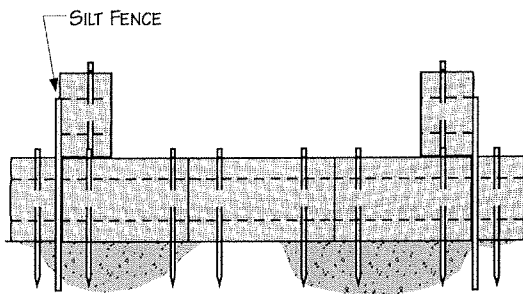


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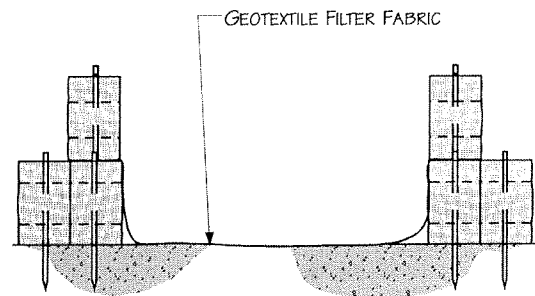
1. ARRANGE THE STRAW BALES TO THE X AND Y DIMENSIONS AS SPECIFIED BELOW .
2. IF BOTTOM OF STRUCTURE IS NOT LINED WITH STRAW BALES (OPTION 1), LINE ENTIRE STRUCTURE WITH GEOTEXTILE FILTER FABRIC .



PERSPECTIVE VIEW



OPTION 1



OPTION 2

MINIMUM SUMP DIMENSIONS (FEET)		MAXIMUM PUMPING RATE GALLONS PER MINUTE
X	Y	
10	20	300
15	20	350
20	20	400
20	25	450
25	25	500
25	30	550
30	30	660

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Figure 2

Typical Straw-Bale Dewatering Structure

**HYDROSTATIC TESTING****02-18****Purpose**

Industry standards and government regulations require that pipelines and other facilities are tested before commissioning for integrity purposes. The withdrawal and discharge (dewatering) of test water must be properly managed to ensure adverse impacts on the surrounding environment are prevented. Therefore, it is very important to ensure that each test is planned well in advance to allow for water source and discharge management, proper regulatory notification and time to obtain the necessary permits.

**Responsibilities**

The Project Manager is responsible for:

- completing the Hydrostatic Permit Request form and submitting it to Safety & Environment
- ensuring the requirements of the environmental plan have been fulfilled

Safety & Environment is responsible for:

- acquiring the necessary water withdrawal and discharge permits or approvals for the pressure test
- notifying the test supervisor, either by copy of the approvals or verbally as appropriate at least 3 weeks before the date of the pressure test.

**Guidelines****Hydrotest Permit Request Form**

The objective of the Hydrotest Permit Request form is to inform Safety and Environment of upcoming hydrotests, as well as provide them with necessary information so applicable permits can be obtained.

Required information includes (see attached form):

- description of facility (i.e. tank, mainline, station piping, etc.)
- water source/withdrawal (i.e. water source, rate of withdrawal, dates, etc.)
- water discharge (i.e. discharge location, rate of discharge, dates, etc.)

**Permits/Licenses/Approvals**

Because in most cases regulatory approvals for hydrostatic testing can take 10 weeks (CAN) 26 weeks (USA), complete the Hydrostatic Permit Request form in the planning phases of the project, and submit it to Safety & Environment at least 10 weeks (CAN) or 26 weeks (USA) prior to the scheduled date of the pressure test.

**NOTE:** A Hydrotest Permit Request is not required for new facilities if the test medium will be (a) less than 10 m<sup>3</sup> (2600 [US] gal) of clean water obtained and returned to company property or (b) from a municipal water supply that will be clean at disposal.

Immediately notify Safety & Environment of any changes or additions after the Hydrotest Permit Request is submitted, or to accommodate an expedited schedule for permit requests.

### **Notification**

The Project Manager is responsible for ensuring that appropriate notification(s) to landowners and other potentially affected local agencies are made prior to a mainline pressure test. Typical local agencies include:

- city, town, village, or municipal offices
- police and fire departments
- hospitals
- Emergency Measures Organization (EMO)
- railways that cross or follow the pipeline
- other pipeline companies and utility companies that cross the pipeline

### **Source/Withdrawal**

Follow all conditions outlined in the withdrawal permit.

When planning the test, consider utilizing alternatives to natural bodies of water as a source of hydrostatic test water, municipal water supplies, such as industrial water supplies at plants or refineries, where possible.

Avoid using water bodies with known environmental sensitivities.

Ensure withdrawal sources have sufficient quantity and quality of water required for testing purposes. Avoid use of highly saline sources of water if practical.

Do not exceed permitted withdrawal rates, nor 10% of the flow or volume of the water source unless otherwise approved by authorities having jurisdiction.

Only withdraw from approved locations.

Screen intakes in order to minimize intake of debris and organisms (this may be regulated within the withdrawal permit).

If necessary, test source water quality and provide the environmental department with lab results well in advance of water withdrawal.

## Location

Avoid locating water withdrawal/discharge sites on steep slopes, muskegs or other sensitive areas.

## Discharge

Follow all conditions outlined in the discharge permit.

During pressure testing, discharge water only at approved locations.

Locate dewatering sites:

- downstream of municipal water intakes, or
- upstream of municipal water intakes at a distance approved by regulatory authorities

If possible, discharge the source water within the same watershed from where it was withdrawn.

Discharge water must not be more than 2°C (4°F) warmer or cooler than a receiving body of water if the receiving body of water supports sport fish. If the potential exists for a temperature change that exceeds these limits, contact Safety & Environment.

Dewater the pipe/tank in such a manner that prevents soil erosion and damage to the beds and banks of water bodies. Use low velocities, dissipate water energy and utilize protective riprap, sheeting, tarpaulins or equivalent to prevent washouts, flooding or erosion (see 02-17, Dewatering, Figures 1 & 2).

Undertake representative sampling and obtain a laboratory analysis of discharge test water and obtain soil chemistry analysis, if required, prior to discharging on land.

**NOTE:** Other requirements for water discharge are handled on a project specific basis. For more information, contact Safety & Environment.

## Water Additives/Saline Test Water

Safety & Environment must approve any additives to test water before use. Avoid or minimize the use of additives, although non-toxic, biodegradable, or photodegradable additives at minimum dosages may be permitted with regulatory approval.

Recover all methanol, ethylene glycol and water contaminated by freezing depressants in tanks. Do not allow contaminants to enter natural bodies of water or soils.

Dispose of contaminated test water at approved sites/facilities.

When using additives or saline test water, the test supervisor must develop a contingency plan for handling spills and leaks.

### Hydrotest Permit Request Form

Project/AFE: \_\_\_\_\_ Request Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Test Report No: \_\_\_\_\_ Page \_\_\_ of \_\_\_ Proposed Test Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Pipeline Contractor: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Testing Contractor: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Description of Facility

- Mainline Line - No. \_\_\_\_\_ From MP \_\_\_\_\_ To MP \_\_\_\_\_
- Station Piping - Station \_\_\_\_\_
- Tank Hydrotest - Tank No. \_\_\_\_\_ Volume \_\_\_\_\_
- Emergency Stock Pipe - Pipe ID \_\_\_\_\_
- Drawing Attached - No. \_\_\_\_\_

Pipe Data: OD \_\_\_\_\_ Length \_\_\_\_\_

Test Medium \_\_\_\_\_ Fill Volume \_\_\_\_\_ Squeeze Volume \_\_\_\_\_

#### Water Source/Withdrawal

Water Withdrawal Date: Start \_\_\_\_\_ Finish \_\_\_\_\_ Duration \_\_\_\_\_

Aniline Dye:  No  Yes

Water Additives/ Others  No  Yes (Describe) \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Water Source/Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Secondary Water Source/Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Rate of Water Draw: \_\_\_\_\_ Screen Size on Intake: \_\_\_\_\_

Method of Transporting Water to Site, if applicable  Temporary Piping  Tank Truck  
(If temporary pipe is required, attach maps/drawings and description.)

#### Water Discharge

Water Discharge Date: Start \_\_\_\_\_ Finish \_\_\_\_\_ Duration \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Discharge Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Secondary Discharge Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Rate of Discharging Water: \_\_\_\_\_

Method of Water Treatment: \_\_\_\_\_

Discharge Control Measures (e.g., baffles, straw filters, rip rap, tarpaulins): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Requested By: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature : \_\_\_\_\_

Fax this form to Safety and Environment (780) 420-8253 (CAN) (715) 394-1570 (US)

### Purpose

Once pipe laying is complete, the company is required to clean up, restore and maintain the project site and right-of-way (ROW) in a condition that is acceptable to both landowners and regulatory agencies. Poor clean up and restoration may result in reduced agricultural, recreational and other land use capabilities, and may cause long-term impacts to fish populations and wildlife habitats. In addition, public relations with landowners and government agencies may be adversely affected.

The standards and procedures in this tab ensure the effectiveness of ongoing long-term environmental protection. Where environmental impacts are suspected, a post-activities inspection and monitoring program must be established as required by government agencies.

### Legislation



#### Canada

National Energy Board (NEB):

- Onshore Pipeline Regulations, latest edition

Land Use Regulations



#### United States

Department of Transportation (DOT), Pipeline Safety Regulations:

- Part 195, Transportation of Hazardous Liquids by Pipeline

Area contingency plan/regional contingency plan

Clean Air Act

Clean Water Act

Comprehensive Environmental Response Cleanup and Liability Act (CERCLA)

Emergency Planning and Community Right to Know Act (EPCRA)

Federal, state and local environmental agency regulations

National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)

Oil Pollution Act (OPA)

Safe Drinking Water Act

## BACKFILLING

03-2

**Purpose**

Backfilling generally involves replacing the material excavated from the trench and is the first stage in restoring the right-of-way (ROW). In areas where topsoil has been segregated, the subsoil is replaced and the topsoil spread uniformly over the area where it was removed. An earth crown is left over the trench line (except in wetlands) to allow backfill material to settle.

Improper backfilling can affect the quality of final restoration on the project. Poorly compacted backfill material or an excessive crown can cause drainage problems and inconvenience to landowners, livestock and wildlife. In addition, mixing topsoil with subsoil during backfilling may reduce soil capability.

**Guidelines**

Before backfilling, inspect the trench for small mammals and reptiles, skids, refuse, welding rods and other debris, and remove if present. Inspect the backfill material to ensure it is free of debris or other material that could damage the pipeline.

Backfill as soon as practicable after lowering-in the pipe to the desired depth. During winter construction, ensure backfill is completed by nightfall.

Confine backfill activities to the ROW. To prevent damage off the ROW, use a Mormon board, backhoe or specialized excavator (e.g., Gradall) where there is insufficient working space for bulldozers.

Use a backfill auger (e.g., Brown Bear), power dozer or suitable equipment to break up clods or frozen soils if required.

Avoid mixing snow with spoil.

Pad the pipe if backfill is frozen or stony, or if bedrock must be replaced. Dispose of surplus rocks at sites approved by the landowner or government agency.

On cultivated lands, leave the top 0.5 m (20 in.) of trench free from rocks to prevent interference with farm equipment. The average spacing and size of rocks left on the ROW should be no more than on adjacent lands.

On pasture lands and woodlands, avoid scalping the sod layer when replacing the topsoil and spoil. To prevent scalping, mount a urethane "prairie protector" attachment to backfill equipment, or use modified street sweepers to protect the sod layer.

On sandy soils and dunes, replaced graded fill to less than the natural angle of repose so that continual sloughing does not become a problem.

### **Trench Breakers**

Before backfilling on steep slopes, install any necessary trench breakers to force groundwater along the pipe to the surface (see 02-15, Trench Breakers).

### **Subdrains**

Before backfilling, install any necessary subdrains to divert shallow groundwater flow from the ROW and to improve slope stability (see Figure 1, Subdrains).

### **Drain Tiles**

Before backfilling, determine whether any drain tiles crossed during trenching were damaged during construction. Use a sewer rod or pipe snake to probe open ends of tiles (see Figure 2, Drainage Tile Restoration).

Repair any damaged tiles by inserting a competent support (e.g., length of solid pipe) around the tile to prevent settling. If damage is extensive, remove broken tile and replace with new tile.

Drain tiles damaged during construction must be repaired to their preconstruction condition or better.

Backfill around drain tiles in lifts. Compact each lift.

### **Compaction**

Backfill the trench with soil to a height approximately 300 mm (1 ft) above the level of the surrounding ground, except at potential drainage courses.

To compact backfilled spoil, run a grader along the trench once it has been filled just below the level of the surrounding ground.

**NOTE:** Compaction with a grader is essential to avoid ditch subsidence. Although the degree of compaction is limited by factors such as soil type, frost and moisture content, depth of cover, pipe strength and insulation, compaction is typically achieved by a few passes with a grader.

**CAUTION:** Do not run a grader over foreign lines. To compact backfill near foreign lines, use manually operated compaction equipment or another approved method.

On irrigated fields and open cut road crossings, 100% percent compaction is desirable. Use appropriate-sized compaction equipment and compact in multiple lifts.

To minimize subsidence on irrigated fields, compact backfill in a series of 15 cm (6 in.) lifts, or as indicated in project specifications. Avoid the formation of a trench crown or other obstacles that may impede the movement of sprinkler systems.

Compact the trench crown where pivot irrigation wheels pass. If compaction is not adequate at pivot wheel crossings, install a steel plate until compaction is achieved.

**NOTE:** Inspect and monitor the trench before and during the first irrigation season to determine the success of the trenchline compaction and leveling.

Take extra care to avoid using saturated, wet spoil when compacting the trench at the banks of watercourses.

If trench spoil is frozen, postpone compaction until cleanup in mid to late spring.

### **Watercourses**

Backfill stream beds to their original contour with original stream bed material unless permits specify otherwise.

When backfilling stream banks, pump the ditch dry, then use dry soil in compacted lifts to prevent stream bank sloughing.

At watercourses where sport fish spawn, replace the upper layer of streambed material with previously salvaged materials (see 02-11, Watercourses and Wetlands), or backfill the upper layer of the trench with material equal to, or better than, original stream bed material.

### **Wetlands**

When backfilling wetlands, replace subsoil material removed from the trench during construction so that no crown remains, unless soils are frozen. If a crown is left over the trench in wetlands to account for settling of frozen backfill, leave periodic breaks to prevent damming, and restore the original contours during cleanup the following spring or summer.

Do not use segregated topsoil as padding. Return segregated topsoil to its original horizon over the backfilled trench.

### Crowning

Crown the trench with remaining spoil to allow for settlement. The height of the crown depends on:

- land use
- degree of compaction desired
- swell coefficient of backfill (see Table, Swell Coefficient of Backfill)
- soil temperature

Ensure the crown is centered over the ditchline.

On forested lands, a higher crown is acceptable provided drainage and wildlife are unaffected.

Frozen soils require higher crowns than unfrozen soils.

On agricultural lands with unfrozen soils, the crown should be low and wide to facilitate replacing topsoil.

Feather excess spoil over the stripped portions of the ROW to create a smooth mound. If more room is needed for excess spoil, strip one blade width (approximately 3–4 m [10–13 ft]) of topsoil from the spoil or work areas of the crown to facilitate feathering out excess trench spoil without mixing subsoil with topsoil.

Leave breaks in the trench crown:

- in obvious drainage runs
- whenever seepage occurs
- at regular intervals where sidehill is encountered

Compact backfill where breaks in the trench crown are left.

**NOTE:** The breaks may require maintenance the following year to fill in settled areas.

Table 1 shows the swell coefficient of various soil types. To calculate the height of a crown, use the formula:

$$R = s \times D$$

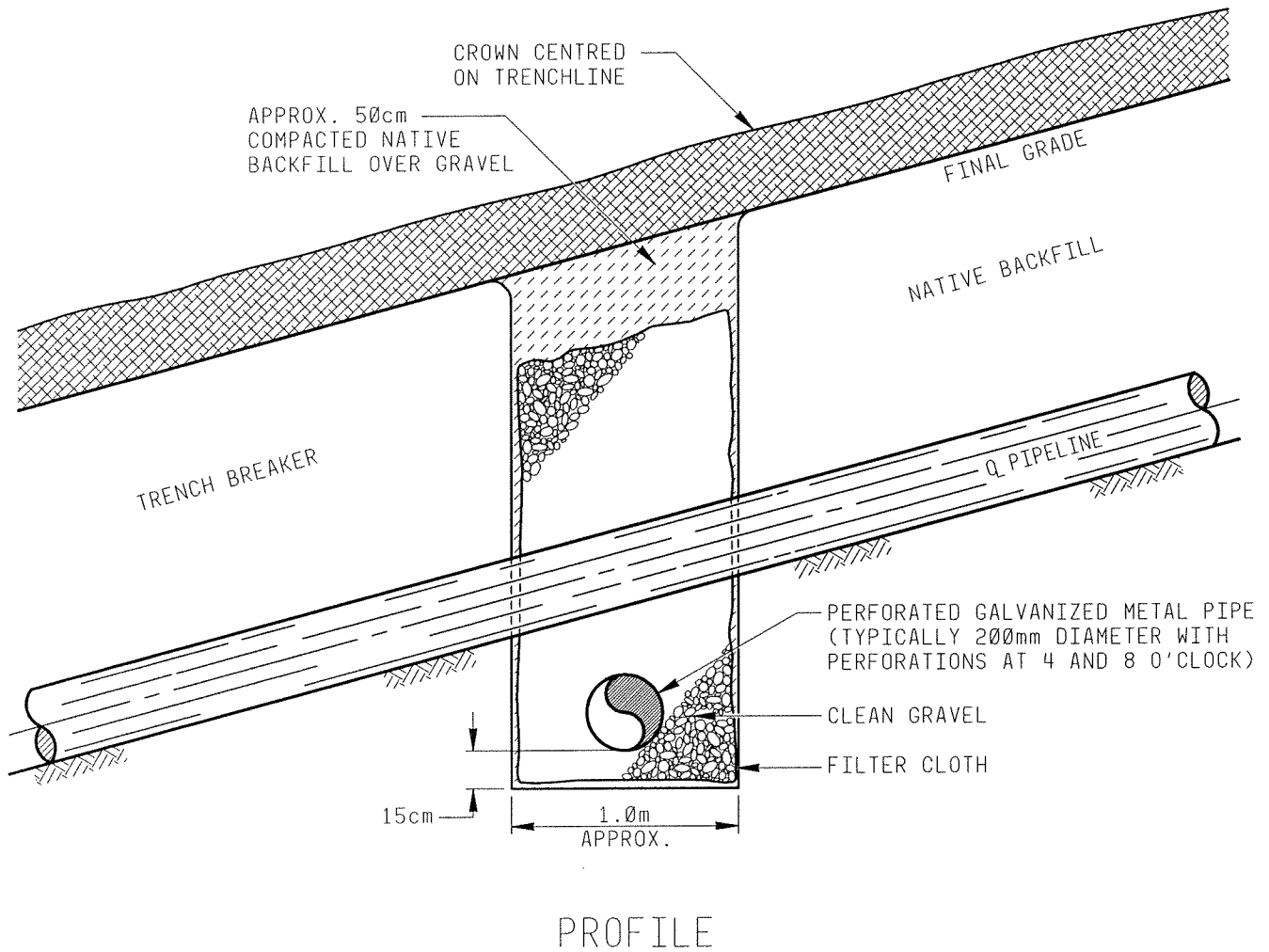
**Where:**

R	=	height of crown
s	=	swell coefficient
D	=	depth of trench

**Table 1**  
**Swell Coefficient of Backfill**

<b>Type of Backfill</b>	<b>Swell Coefficient</b>
blasted rock	.00-.05
sand and gravel	.05-.10
sand	.08-.15
silty sand	.10-.15
silt	.10-.20
clay	.10-.25
organic (muskeg)	.50-1.00

**NOTE:** The higher numbers in the range represent the worst case (i.e., frozen or clods).



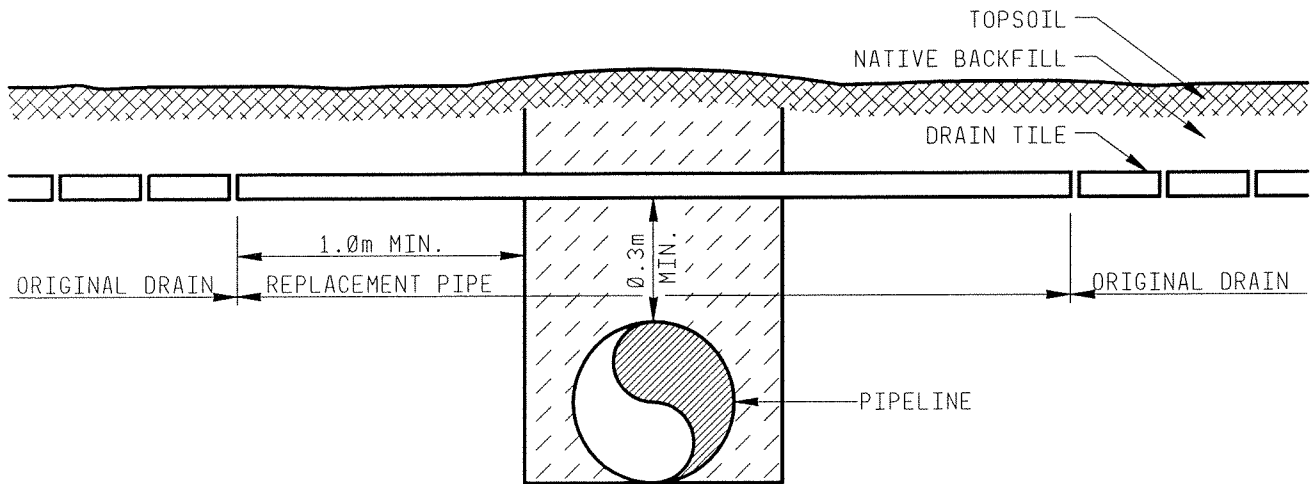
NOTES:

1. INSTALL A SUBDRAIN TO DIVERT SHALLOW GROUNDWATER FLOW AWAY FROM THE PIPELINE, TO IMPROVE SLOPE STABILITY. CLEAN GRAVEL, WRAPPED IN FILTER CLOTH, PERMITS DRAINAGE AIDING IN RETENTION OF BACKFILL. IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, A PARALLEL DRAIN MAY BE INSTALLED LENGTHWISE DOWN THE SLOPE UNDERNEATH THE PIPELINE. A GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEER CAN ADVISE IN WHICH METHOD IS MOST APPROPRIATE.
2. DETERMINE THE LOCATION OF DRAIN BY ON-SITE INVESTIGATION CONSIDERING SUCH FACTORS AS GROUNDWATER CONDITIONS IN TRENCH, SOIL TYPES, LOCAL TOPOGRAPHY, AND DRAINAGE PATTERNS.
3. SKEW CROSS DRAIN WITH DOWNHILL GRADING AT 5° TO ENSURE SUFFICIENT DRAINAGE.
4. INSTALL TRENCH BREAKER DOWNSLOPE OF DRAIN, WHERE DRAINS CROSS PIPELINE TRENCH, TO PREVENT DRAIN WATER FLOWING DOWN PIPE TRENCH

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**Figure 1**  
Subdrain





**PROFILE**  
(CROSS-SECTION OF TRENCH)

NOTES:

1. IF TILE OR TUBE DRAINS ARE CUT DURING TRENCHING, MARK LOCATIONS, CAP DRAINS TO PREVENT CLOGGING WITH DIRT OR DEBRIS, AND INSTALL A TEMPORARY FLUME TO MAINTAIN DRAINAGE.
2. PRIOR TO TOPSOIL REPLACEMENT, REPLACE DRAINS WITH A LENGTH OF SOLID PIPE TO PREVENT SETTLING. IF DISTURBANCE IS EXTENSIVE, REPLACE WITH NEW DRAIN TUBING, OR PERFORATION SOLID PIPE ON A COMPACTED BED.
3. INSERT A SEWER ROD OR PIPE SNAKE INTO OPEN DRAIN ENDS FAR ENOUGH TO ENSURE THAT RIGHT OF WAY TRAFFIC HAS NOT DAMAGED OR DISPLACED DRAINS
4. REPAIR ANY DAMAGED TILES BY INSERTING A COMPETENT SUPPORT (E.G. LENGTH OF SOLID PIPE) AROUND THE TILE TO PREVENT SETTLING.
5. IF DAMAGE IS EXTENSIVE, REMOVE BROKEN TILE AND REPLACE WITH NEW TILE.
6. REPLACE DRAIN TO ITS FORMER GRADIENT AND ALIGNMENT.
7. BACKFILL AND COMPACT SUBSOIL IN LIFTS BENEATH AND AROUND PIPE.

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**Figure 2**  
Drainage Tile Restoration

## CLEANUP

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### Purpose

Cleanup typically involves removing construction refuse and debris from the right-of-way (ROW), grading to restore disturbed areas to original contours, installing or repairing erosion control structures, and replacing topsoil and fences removed during construction. The quality of work done during cleanup often directly affects future relations with landowners and government agencies.

### Guidelines

#### Scheduling

##### *Summer/Fall*

Clean up summer/fall projects as soon as possible after backfilling, and before freezeup, if possible.

Postpone cleanup on wet ground until soils dry out.

##### *Winter/Spring (Rough)*

Begin rough cleanup of winter projects as soon as possible after backfilling (frozen conditions) and before spring breakup.

##### *Winter/Spring (Final)*

Begin final cleanup of projects not completed before freezeup and cleanup of winter projects as soon as possible after spring breakup.

Schedule cleanup to minimize interference with agricultural operations, migratory birds and fish spawning as much as possible.

For damaged soils, postpone cleanup until soils dry out.

Before final cleanup, consult with the landowner to ensure any special concerns can be addressed before completing restoration.

#### Waste

Collect and dispose of all construction-related garbage, debris, wastes and hazardous materials from the ROW in designated containers or at approved facilities.

**NOTE:** For appropriate waste management practices, see the Waste Management Plan.

Do not leave waste on or along the ROW, or buried in an excavation.

Remove stones to achieve equivalence with the surrounding subsoil/topsoil, as well as stones from the upper 30 cm (1 ft) of soil that will interfere with topsoil replacement or cultivation, i.e., stones larger than 10 cm (4 in.) in diameter. Dispose of stones at locations approved by landowners or government agencies.

Dispose of excess rock displaced from the trench or ROW by blasting as directed by landowners or government agencies.

### **Topsoil Replacement**

Replace topsoil as evenly as possible over stripped areas of the ROW.

Postpone replacing topsoil during wet weather or high winds to prevent damaging soil structure or erosion of topsoil.

Immediately before replacing topsoil, cut a clean edge with a grader. Distribute edge cut material evenly over the prepared subsoil surface.

### **Regrading**

Regrade areas with vehicle ruts, erosion gullies, settled trenches or where the trench crown is misaligned.

Regrade stream banks and approaches to a maximum of 1:3 (rise over run), unless otherwise directed by a geotechnical engineer.

### **Recontouring**

Recontour the right-of-way (ROW) to restore surface drainage and the approximate preconstruction profile. When replacing sidehills or other graded areas is not practical due to the risk of slope failure or overtopping the pipe, recontour slopes to grades not exceeding 1:3 (rise over run) or as advised by a geotechnical engineer.

If fill is frozen, postpone recontouring until spring.

On flood irrigated lands, recontour the ROW to preconstruction profile.

### **Wetlands**

Restore the original contours of wetlands, and remove any excess backfill to an upland area approved by the environmental department.

### **Damaged Soils**

Rip compacted subsoils, temporary access trails and soils damaged during wet weather with a multishank ripper to a depth of 30 cm (12 in).

Use a disk plow or cultivator on ripped subsoils to break up lumps and to smooth the surface.

**NOTE:** To minimize further compaction, limit disking to what is necessary to break up clods.

Till or cultivate fields and any severely compacted or rutted areas with a deep tillage device or chisel plow to loosen compacted soils.

### **Corduroy**

Remove corduroy from locations where drainage disruptions are likely, where requested by landowners or government agencies, and from mineral soils.

Remove and return clay or sand caps overlying corduroy to the original location, unless otherwise requested by landowners or government agencies.

Ensure adequate culverts or other cross drainage is provided in any capped corduroy that is left in place.

Dispose of corduroy, slash and any remaining leaning trees in the same manner as the original clearing (see 02-4, Clearing).

### **Cultivation**

Cultivate the ROW where it crosses fields, bush or woodlands to a depth adequate to alleviate surface compaction and in a manner acceptable to the landowner. Do not pulverize soil.

If seeding immediately after topsoil is replaced, harrow the ROW.

Cultivate hay and pasture land if the sod layer is broken or badly compacted.

With the approval of the landowner at problem sites, add manure or plant legumes to increase organic matter.

### **Equipment Crossings**

Where possible, remove equipment crossing structures before freezeup (summer/fall projects) or before spring breakup (winter projects).

If equipment crossings are needed for access during final seeding, they can be replaced after spring breakup.

### **Temporary Erosion Control**

Use temporary erosion control measures, e.g., sandbags, logs or straw bales, during rough cleanup on undisturbed pasture or well-sodded right-of-way (ROW).

Install temporary stream bank protection during rough cleanup if erosion is evident at water crossings (see 02-13, Slope Breakers and 02-14, Temporary Sediment Barriers).

To minimize drifting soils and loss of topsoil in areas prone to wind erosion:

- spread wood chips or straw crimping
- sow a fast growing ground cover
- walk down tree and shrub debris over exposed soils

If winter conditions preclude final cleanup, stabilize the area (e.g., flatten topsoil piles, partially fill grade cuts) and keep temporary erosion control measures in place until permanent erosion control measures can be installed.

### ***Temporary Slope Breakers/Sediment Barriers***

During frozen conditions, install temporary slope breakers and sediment barriers during rough cleanup if final cleanup is not completed until the following spring (see 02-13, Slope Breakers and 02-14, Temporary Sediment Barriers).

### ***Mulch***

Mulch slopes greater than 5%. Apply mulch after the last grading operation of winter construction.

**NOTE:** Mulch can be applied to snow-covered ground.

Do not apply mulch by hand or apply more than 2 tons per acre, as it may be removed the following spring before seeding.

### **Wetlands**

Restore the original contours of wetlands, and remove any excess backfill to an upland area approved by the environmental department.

### **Damaged Soils**

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Ensure adequate culverts or other cross drainage is provided in any capped corduroy that is left in place.

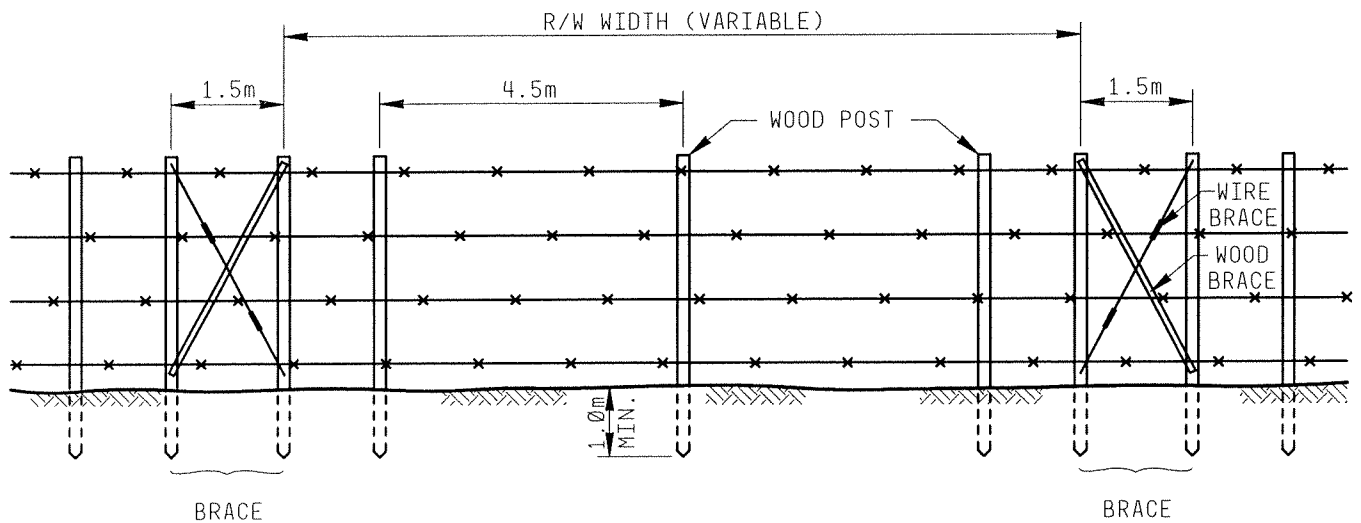
Dispose of corduroy, slash and any remaining leaning trees in the same manner as the original clearing (see 02-4, Clearing).

### **Cultivation**

Cultivate the ROW where it crosses fields, bush or woodlands to a depth adequate to alleviate surface compaction and in a manner acceptable to the landowner. Do not pulverize soil.

If seeding immediately after topsoil is replaced, harrow the ROW.

Cultivate hay and pasture land if the sod layer is broken or badly compacted.



## PROFILE

### NOTES:

1. INSTALL POST AND WIRE FENCES TO REPLACE TEMPORARY GATES INSTALLED FOR PIPELINE CONSTRUCTION.
2. FOLLOWING PIPELINE CONSTRUCTION, REMOVE TEMPORARY GATE AND REPLACE WITH NEW FENCE USING MATERIAL OF EQUAL OR BETTER QUALITY THAN THE ORIGINAL FENCE. RETAIN BRACES AS PERMANENT PART OF FENCE STRUCTURE. IF GROUND IS FROZEN, USE METAL POSTS AND REPLACE WITH WOOD POSTS WHEN SOIL HAS THAWED. WHERE APPROPRIATE, MAINTAIN A MINIMUM BOTTOM WIRE ELEVATION OF 0.4m TO ACCOMMODATE SMALL WILDLIFE SPECIES.
3. INSPECT FENCE FOR 100m IN BOTH DIRECTIONS FOR SLACK WHEN TENSIONING THE WIRES.
4. REMOVE ALL EXCESS WOOD, WIRE, STAPLES, AND OTHER WASTE.

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**Figure 1**  
Post and Wire Fence

## REVEGETATION

03-4

**Purpose**

Permanent revegetation involves preparing the seed bed and seeding disturbed areas to establish a permanent groundcover.

**Guidelines**

Seed and fertilize disturbed areas of the right-of-way (ROW) as requested by landowners or government agencies as soon as possible after final cleanup, weather and soil conditions permitting.

When re-establishing cover, consider seasonal factors including:

- seed dormancy
- hot, dry conditions
- access during spring breakup

Mix and sow specific seed mixes as recommended in the project specifications or in consultation with the environment department for the following:

- steep slopes
- stream banks
- native pasture/prairie
- critical wildlife areas
- sandy soils or sand dunes
- highly erodible soils and locations
- areas with high visual impact
- contaminated soils
- wetland, muskeg, slough and marsh areas
- urban areas, lawns, etc. (sod as required)

Where problems may be expected in establishing vegetation (e.g., on sandy soils and dunes) consider using any or a combination of the following:

- install wind barriers such as slat fences, straw bales, brush grid, cover crops or straw crimping
- apply manure, green feed, peat or material rich in organic content to amend the soil
- prepare the surface to enhance seed germination by tilling or by creating gouges, furrows or impressions with specialized equipment, such as chisel plows or land imprinters

- install diversion berms and ditches on slopes
- apply slash rollback or mulches. Import slash as required
- seed drought resistant grasses and legumes, and a cover crop of annual rye or barley
- transplant container-grown native shrubs and herbaceous species
- apply fertilizer as per soil analysis and as identified in the construction specifications

Ensure straw mulch and seed mix used to revegetate the ROW are free of noxious weed seed. Use certified seed and retain the analysis certificate in case a dispute arises concerning weeds.

Restrict public vehicle access over newly grassed areas.

### **Agricultural Land**

Seed and fertilize cultivated land on the ROW as part of normal farming operations where possible.

On those portions of the ROW where the landowner is not planting a crop during the next growing season:

- Purchase seed in accordance with Pure Live Seed (PLS) analysis for the seed mix, i.e., compare seed cost based on purity percentage multiplied by germination percentage (PLS).
- Use seed within 12 months of germination testing.
- Treat legume seed with an inoculant specific to the species. When hydroseeding, use four times the manufacturer's recommended rate of inoculant. Do not hold inoculated seed in a slurry without fertilizer for more than 1 hr.
- Fence the ROW if practical until seedlings are well established and to prevent damage from livestock.

### **Wetlands**

Wetlands generally revegetate naturally. Revegetate disturbed wetland areas with annual ryegrass planted at a rate of 40 lb/acre, unless there is standing water or unless permanent planting or seeding with native wetland vegetation is required.

Do not apply fertilizer, lime or mulch in wetlands.

During frozen conditions, apply annual ryegrass as a dormant seeding. If dormant seeding is not feasible, seed annual ryegrass during the next growing season in wetlands that are sufficiently dry to support appropriate equipment.

### **Watercourses**

On steep approaches to watercourses where the slope was extensively graded, transplant native shrubs, willow cuttings or use other bioengineering techniques, e.g., vegetative geogrid (see Figure 1, Vegetated Geogrid, and 03-7, Installing Willow Cuttings).

Revegetate watercourse banks and approach slopes with a standard mix plus an annual cover crop, i.e., barley or annual rye, applied at twice the standard rate. After seeding, apply erosion control blanket, e.g., high velocity curlex, or mulch.

### **Swales**

Seed and mulch swales with straw for the width of the ROW.

### **Mulch**

Mulch stabilizes the soil surface and limits soil movement and the availability of soil to enter runoff. Typical mulch materials include straw or hay, or erosion control fabrics, such as high and low velocity curlex or jute blanket.

Do not apply mulch to cropland unless specifically requested by the landowner.

After seeding, mulch slopes greater than 5% or sandy areas with 2 tons of straw or hay per acre, or as specified by the company (see Figure 2, Typical Low Relief Drainage Way Stabilization-Seed & Straw Mulch).

Mulch all areas of dormant seeding with 2 tons per acre of hay or straw, or as specified by the company to cover >75% of the ground surface.

Anchor mulch to minimize loss by wind and water. If soil conditions allow, use a mulch anchoring tool or farm disc set in the straight position to crimp the mulch 2–3 in. deep.

**NOTE:** Liquid tackifiers may be used after obtaining written approval from the company.

If final cleanup is delayed longer than 10 days, or if construction is interrupted for extended periods, apply mulch before seeding. To provide temporary vegetative cover for extended periods, seed upland areas with annual rye.

Do not apply mulch in wetlands.

### **Seed and Fertilizing Methods**

To promote seed germination on dry or wind exposed sites:

- use straw crimping
- apply manure (with landowner approval)
- use or import small diameter slash (uncultivated areas)
- thinly spread wood chips (uncultivated areas)

Where terrain and soil conditions allow, apply seed using a seed drill equipped with packing wheels.

**NOTE:** Ensure the depth control on the drill is set correctly.

Broadcast or aerial seed and fertilize wet soils to minimize surface disturbance.

Broadcast seed and fertilizer on berms and other erosion control structures to ensure immediate revegetation or soil stability.

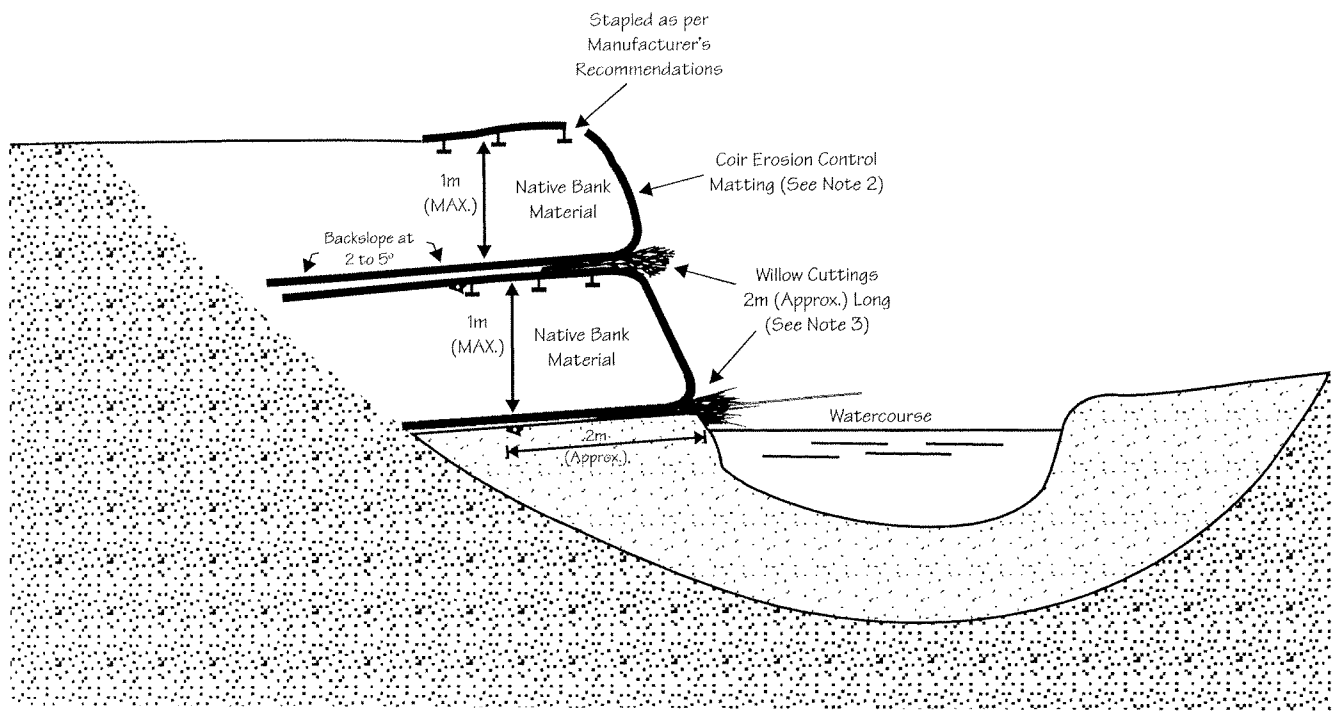
Use hydroseeders, mulches, tackifiers, seed impregnated netting or other suitable methods on steep or erosion-prone slopes.

Broadcast seed but do not fertilize next to watercourses. Harrow or hand rake to incorporate seed.

When broadcast seeding, firm the seed bed with a harrow-packer or roller after seeding.

Apply fertilizer and pH modifying agents, e.g., lime, as specified by the company and in consultation with landowners and government agencies.

**NOTE:** If spring cleanup extends to many weeks, a weed control program may be required.



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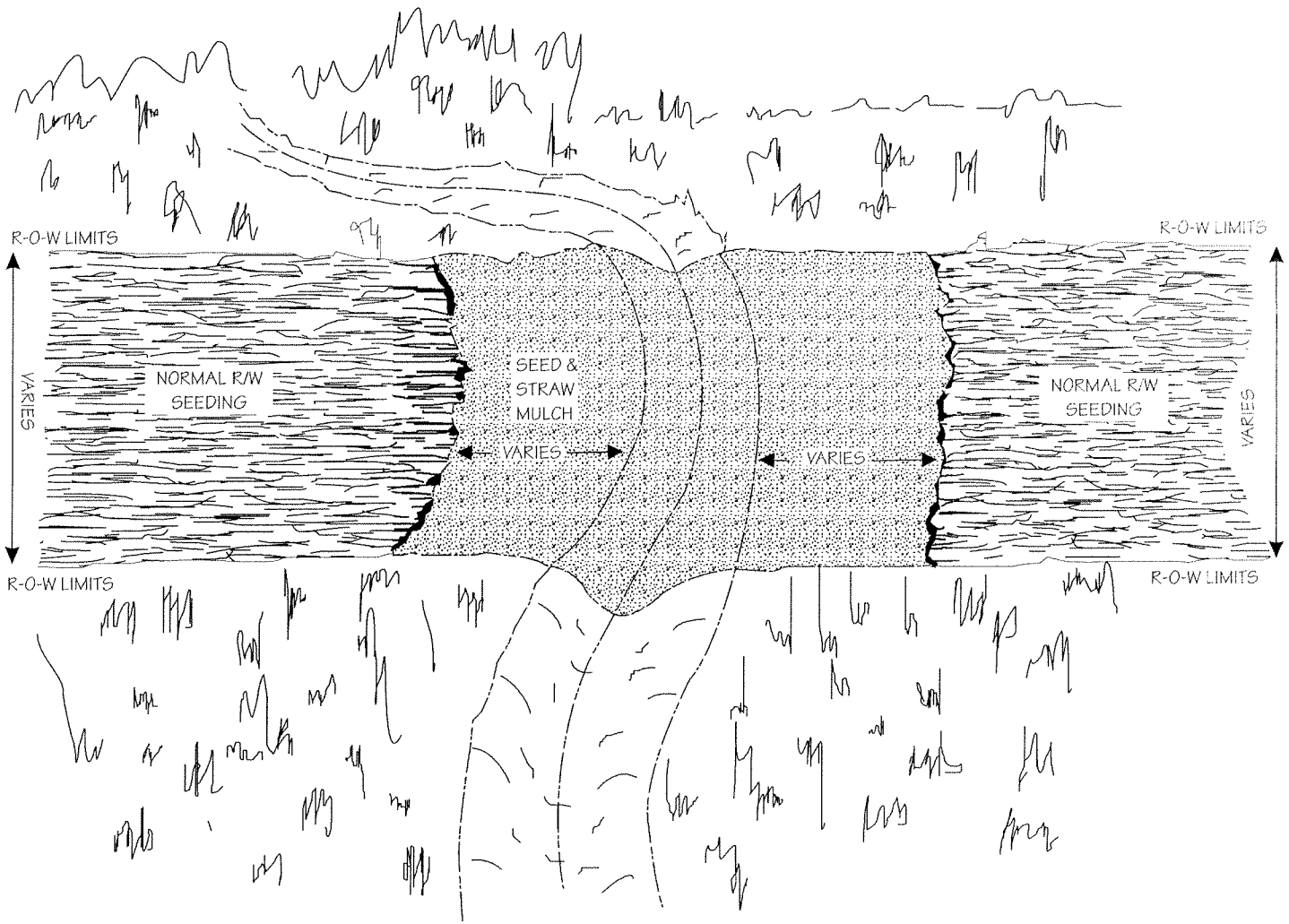
NOTES:

1. Install vegetated geogrid on steep approach slopes to watercourses where extensive grading of the slope was required.
2. Install coir erosion control matting shown above during nonfrozen conditions. Only matting that meets or exceeds the requirements noted in the construction specifications or is approved by the environmental department shall be installed. All materials used in the coir matting shall be biodegradable.
3. Ensure willow cuttings are fresh with a minimum 1cm (Min.) diameter at their base. Install willow cuttings at frequency of 25 (Approx.) per linear metre.
4. Compact, to the extent practical, each lift of backfill separately.
5. Hand broadcast seed prior to installation of the coir matting, if practical, or on the surface of the coir matting.

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**Figure 1**  
Vegetated Geogrid



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**Figure 2**

Typical Low Relief Drainage Way Stabilization  
Seed and Straw Mulch



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**Purpose** Permanent soil erosion and sedimentation control begins as soon as possible upon completion of backfilling. Erosion control is necessary to prevent pipe exposure and the subsequent cost to restore the site to previous conditions. Erosion control is also required to minimize siltation in watercourses.

**Guidelines****Slopes**

After final grading, stabilize disturbed steep slopes in areas other than cropland with permanent erosion control structures (see Figure 1, Permanent Slope Breakers-Perspective View), especially if heavy runoff, spring breakup or heavy storms are likely and there is a risk of significant soil erosion. Consider any of the following:

- install cross ditches and diversion berms
- walk down tree and shrub debris over exposed soils
- armor berms and ditches with logs, polyethylene or sandbags
- install netting or filter cloth
- apply tackifier
- install and stake sod
- hydromulch
- hydroseed, spread straw and crimp
- seed an annual crop of barley, fall rye or oats
- plant native shrubs or willow cuttings

Install permanent slope breakers according to the same design and spacing used for temporary slope breakers (see 02-13, Slope Breakers).

On slopes over 30%, install erosion control blanket, e.g., curlex, jute, or equivalent (see Figure 2, Erosion Control Blanket-Steep Slopes > 30%).

**Stream Banks**

Since most water crossings have individually designed crossing plans, obtain the special instructions from a company representative before working next to watercourses. If there are no special conditions, use a company standard design to ensure appropriate erosion control measures are in place.

**NOTE:** For information on installing stream bank protection, see the procedures in this tab.

Install berms or other sediment filter devices at the base of sloped approaches to streams greater than 50% (for information on berms, see 02-13, Slope Breakers).

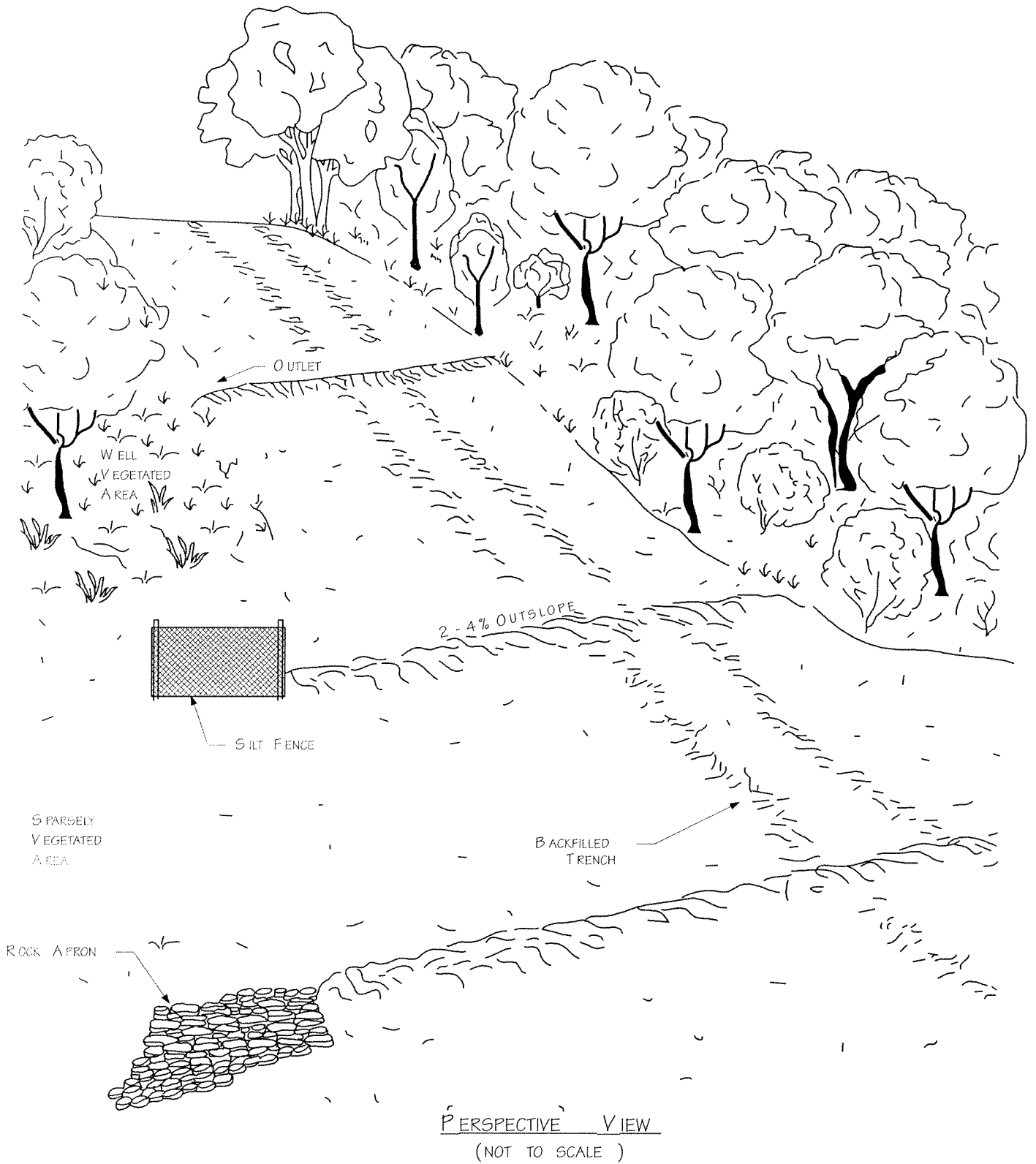
Immediately after stream banks are restored to their original contours, or to a 3:1 slope, whichever is less steep, install bank protection according to site and permit requirements:

- place riprap and geotextile fabric (see Figure 3, Typical Stream Bank Stabilization Riprap & Erosion Control Blanket) and prepare soil for seeding upslope
- if not riprapped with rock, seed with the specified seed mix and cover with an erosion control blanket (see Figure 4, Typical Streambank Stabilization Erosion Control Blanket - Seed and Straw Mulch).

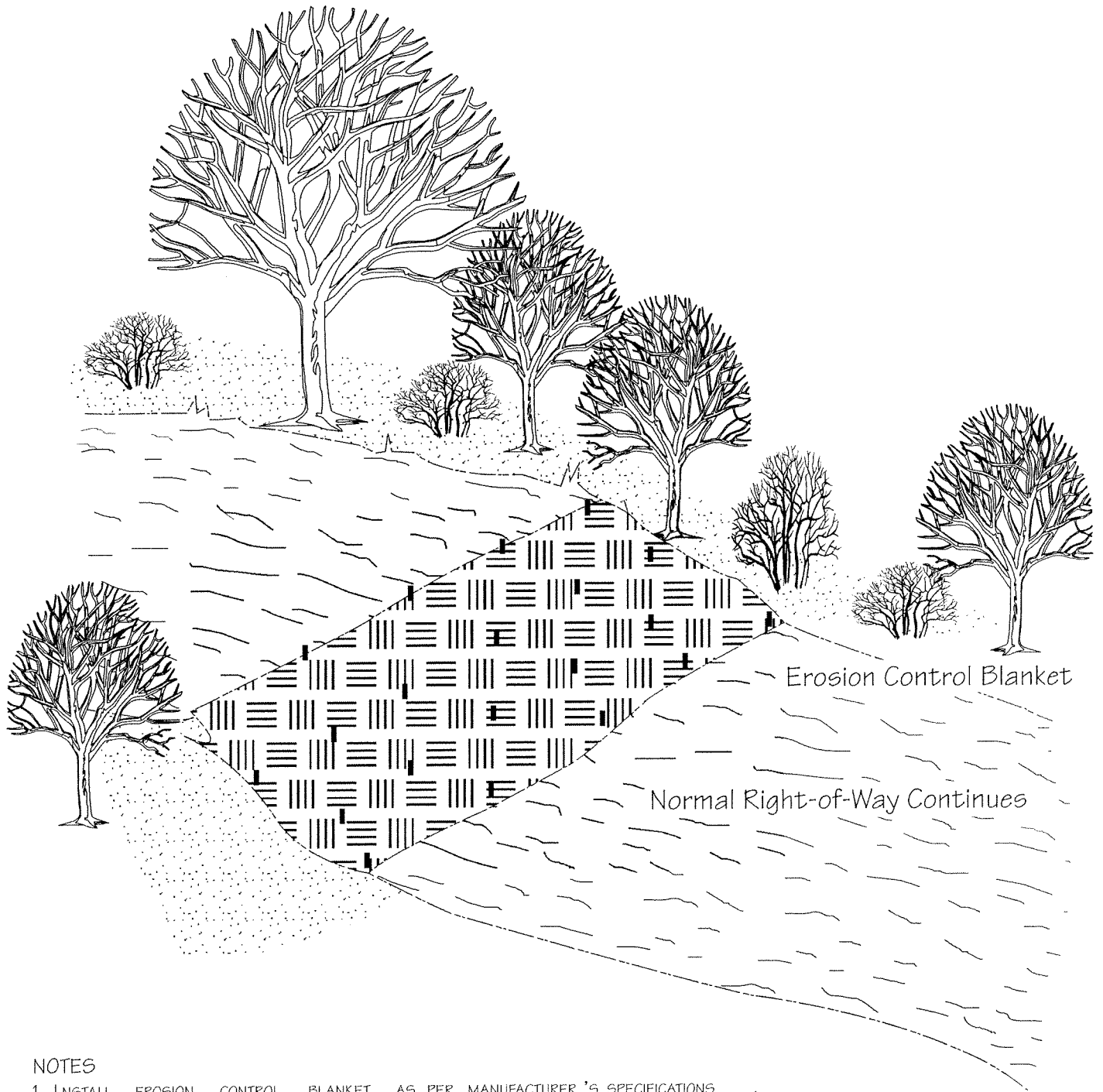
**NOTE:** For more information, see 03-6, Installing Riprap.

### **Watercourses**

Permanently restore and stabilize drainage ditches and intermittent streams with erosion control blanket, permanent seeding or other appropriate measures.



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1. INSTALL EROSION CONTROL BLANKET AS PER MANUFACTURER'S SPECIFICATIONS

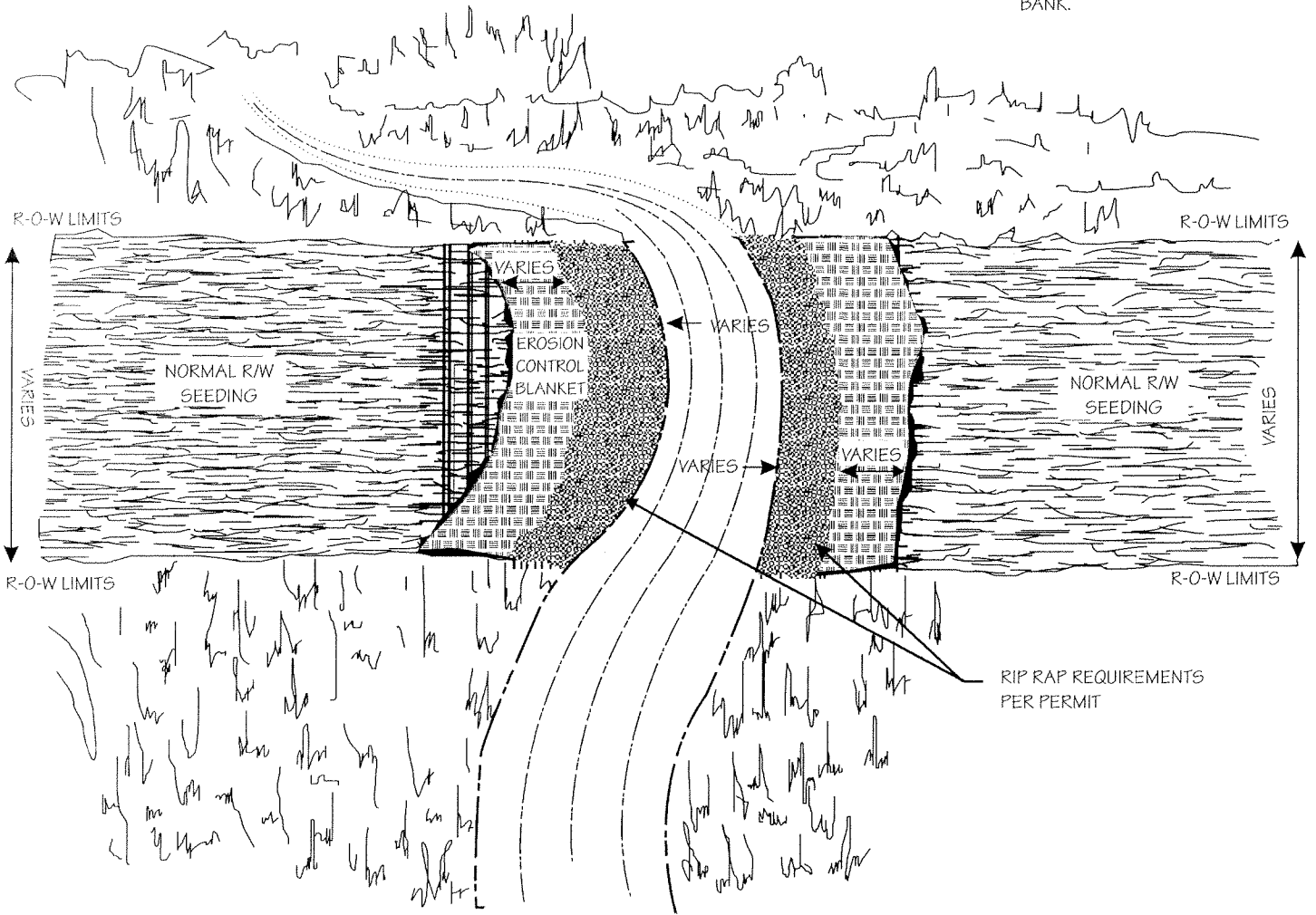
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**Figure 2**

Erosion Control Blanket - Steep Slopes ( $\geq 30\%$ )

NOTE: PLACE JUTE BLANKET A MINIMUM OF ONE (1) FOOT UNDER RIP RAP. EXTEND JUTE BLANKET FROM MEAN HIGH WATER LEVEL TO SEVERAL FEET BEHIND HIGH BANK.



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**Figure 3**

Typical Stream Bank Stabilization  
Riprap & Erosion Control Blanket

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## INSTALLING ROCK RIPRAP

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### Purpose

Rock riprap is installed immediately after streambank restoration or as required to stabilize erosion-sensitive watercourse banks at locations where pre-construction banks did not overhang or provide shade to provide significant fish habitat.

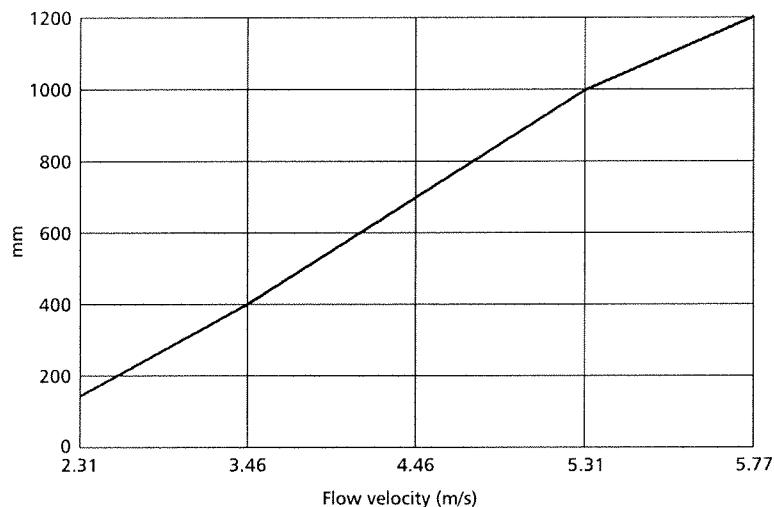
### Guidelines

Use rock riprap on watercourse banks where flow conditions are likely to preclude vegetative stabilization.

Rock riprap should be dense, durable, roughly equal in dimension (not flat and thin), angular and clean.

Size of riprap depends on stream bank slope and water velocity. Recommended rock sizes for various flow rates are shown below. The size distribution of the riprap should ensure 50% of the mixture is larger than the median specified.

Geotextile is usually unnecessary under riprap and may inhibit vegetative growth.



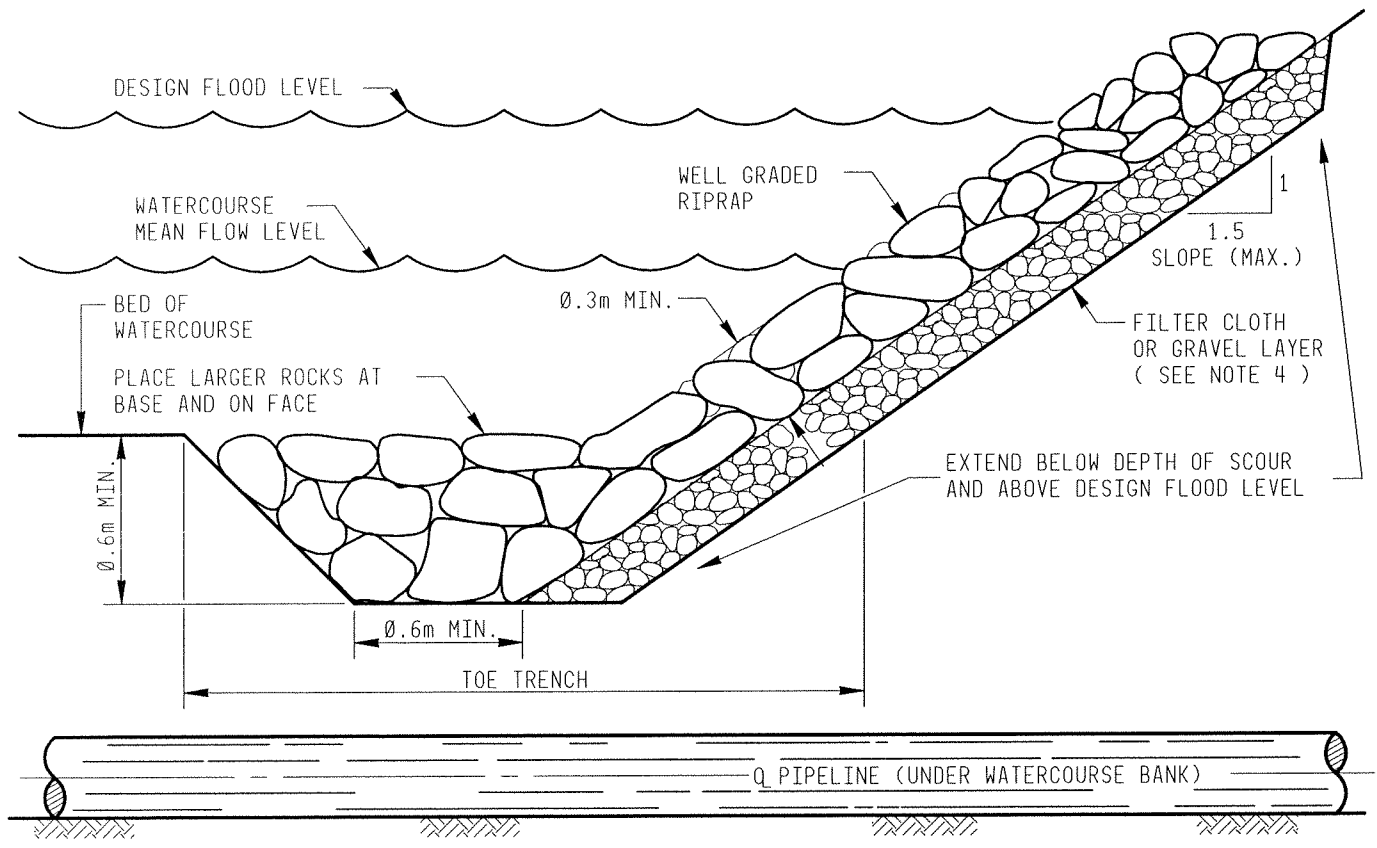
### Median Size of Riprap for Maximum Flow Rates

### Procedure

**NOTE:** Refer to Figure 1, Streambank Protection – Riprap Armour.

1. Remove all stumps, organic matter and work material.
2. Regrade watercourse banks to a 1.5:1 maximum slope.

3. Construct a toe trench to tie in the bottom of armor protection.
4. Install filter cloth if watercourse bank erosion could result between large rocks.
5. Place riprap on the slope to be protected.
6. Install riprap to a depth approximately two times the diameter of the riprap.
7. Construct riprap boundaries in a manner that riprap will not be undermined from the side.
8. Place riprap with flat surface up to resist movement by ice and water, minimize void space and ensure no rocks protrude more than 30 cm (1 ft) above design lines and grades.



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**Figure 1**  
Streambank Protection -  
RIPRAP Armour

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**INSTALLING WILLOW CUTTINGS****03-7****Purpose**

Live willow cuttings are installed when reconstructing watercourse banks to improve stability and to re-establish cover and habitat for fish-bearing streams.

**Guidelines**

Transplant willow cuttings as quickly as possible, preferably within 2 to 4 hrs of collecting, to prevent them from drying out.

**NOTE:** If necessary, cuttings may be stored instream for several days without ill effects.

Select cuttings from bottom branches approximately 12 to 25 mm ( $\frac{1}{2}$  to 1 in.) in diameter and 0.3 to 0.6 m (1 to 2 ft) in length.

In hard soils, use a steel rod of equal diameter to the cuttings to make a pilot hole for the cuttings.

In soft soil, use a neoprene-lined post hole pounder or rubber mallet to minimize damage when driving willow cuttings into streambanks.

Plant cuttings in a random pattern, approximately 1 m (3 ft) apart.

If desired, transplant small clumps of willow bushes to the stream bank area.

**Procedure**

1. Make willow cuttings from nearby indigenous brush using sharp pruning shears, hand saw or knife to make clean cuts.
2. Mark the basal ends to ensure correct installation, i.e., cut top ends at 90° and bottom ends at 45° to form a point.
3. Ensure there are two lateral buds above the surface.
4. Trim side shoots close to the main stock.
5. Insert the cuttings into the soil at an angle by hand, approximately 1.5 m (5 ft) back from watercourse banks for the entire right-of-way (ROW) width.
6. If soil is compacted or extremely dry, use a frost pin to make a pilot hole.
7. Once installed, firm soil around cuttings and place mulch  $\approx$ 1 in. deep around the cuttings to preserve moisture.

**INSTALLING CRIBWALL**

03-8

**Purpose**

Cribwalls are installed during restoration to provide erosion control and fish habitat.

**NOTE:** To avoid sedimentation of the stream, cribwalls should be installed as part of crossing activities—otherwise, it may be necessary to isolate the crossing a second time.

**Guidelines**

Install an overhanging cribwall where the original contour of stream banks was an overhang.

Install a vertical cribwall where the original contour of stream banks was vertical.

Constructing cribwall is a permit-specific activity; review permits before proceeding.

**Procedure****Overhanging Cribwall**

**NOTE:** Refer to Figure 1, Streambank Protection - Cribwall.

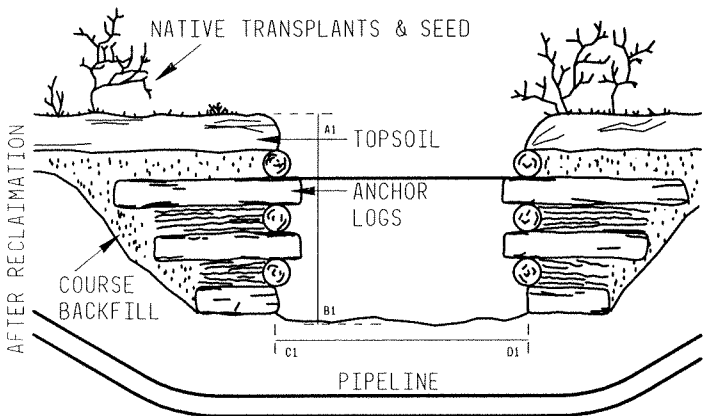
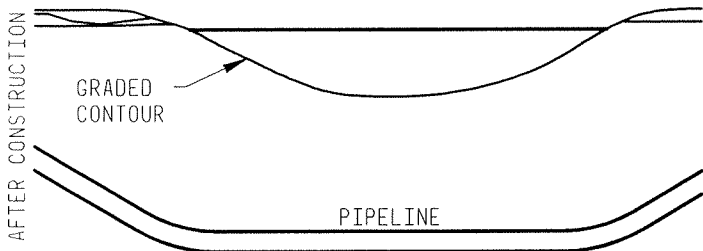
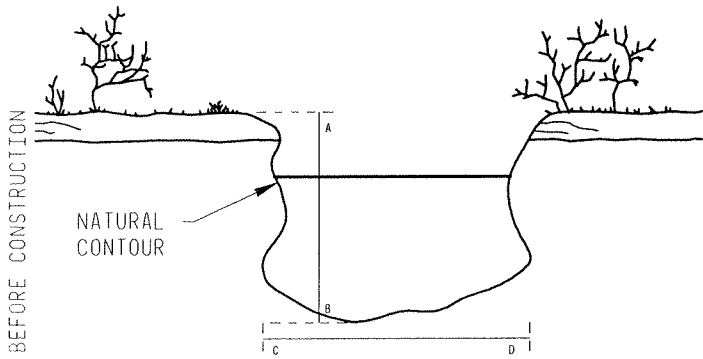
1. Install a log overhang if the vertical distance (A–B) is greater than 30 cm (1 ft).
2. Use native timber to build the structure (coniferous where possible).
3. Ensure the maximum distance (depth) from the streambed to ground level (A1–B1) is not less than the original distance (A–B).
4. Ensure the width of the stream channel (C1–D1) is not greater than the original width (C–D).
5. Backfill with coarse, nonerodible material.
6. Replace subsoil and topsoil.
7. Transplant native vegetation.
8. Sow an appropriate seed mix.

### **Vertical Cribwall**

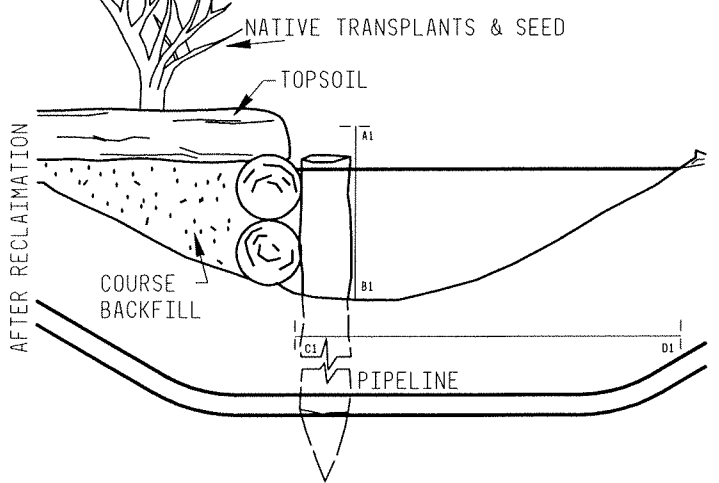
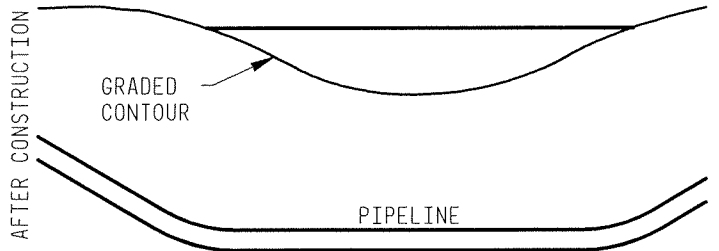
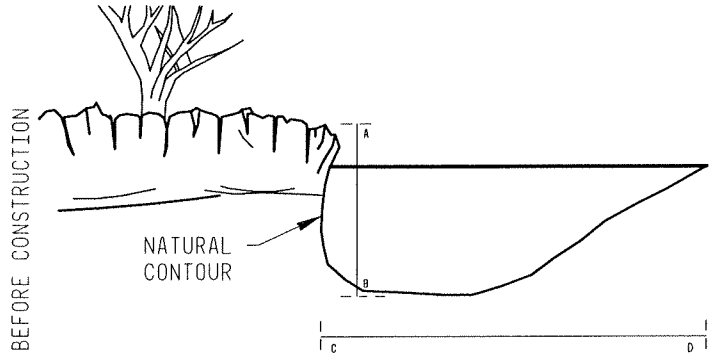
NOTE: Refer to Figure 1, Streambank Protection - Cribwall

1. Install pressure-treated (if allowed) vertical posts three times the length of the exposed height.
2. Use native timber or lumber for the horizontal structure.
3. Ensure the maximum distance (depth) from the streambed to ground level (A1–B1) is not less than the original distance (A–B).
4. Ensure the width of the stream channel (C1–D1) is not greater than the original width (C–D).
5. Anchor posts to a horizontal structure as required.
6. Backfill with coarse, nonerodible material.
7. Replace subsoil and topsoil.
8. Transplant native vegetation.
9. Sow an appropriate seed mix.

I. OVERHANGING CRIBWALL



II. VERTICAL CRIBWALL



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**Figure 1**  
Streambank Protection -  
Crib Wall

## INSTALLING BERMS and DITCHES

03-9

### Purpose

Diversion berms and cross ditches are installed on disturbed steep slopes as a permanent erosion control measure to direct surface water away from the trench line and off the right-of-way (ROW).

**NOTE:** For more information on stream bank erosion see 03-5, Permanent Erosion and Sedimentation Control.

### Guidelines

Ensure there is no crown in the diversion ditch.

Tie new berms into existing berms where feasible.

### Procedure

1. Determine the location and direction of diversion berms based on local topography and drainage patterns.
2. Construct diversion berms of compacted native materials, approximately 1 m (3 ft) for winter (frozen) construction and 0.6 m (2 ft) for summer construction. (see Figure 1, Configuration with Trench Breakers & Figure 2, Configuration without Trench Breakers).
  - If groundwater flow is a concern in the construction area, install the diversion berm with a trench breaker to direct subsurface flow out of the trench and to the surface.
  - Where native material is erodible, protect the upslope of the berm and base of the cross ditch with riprap (see 03-6, Installing Rock Riprap).
3. Skew berms with a downhill gradient of 5° - 10° (95° - 100° of the fall line) to prevent water from ponding behind berms and to allow for drainage away from the trench line (see Figure 3, Diversion Berm and Cross Ditch with Trench Breaker & Figure 4, Diversion Berm and Cross Ditch without Trench Breaker)
4. Where trench breakers are installed, install berms immediately downslope of the gravel drain and overlying the trench breaker.
5. Space berms as shown in Table 1.

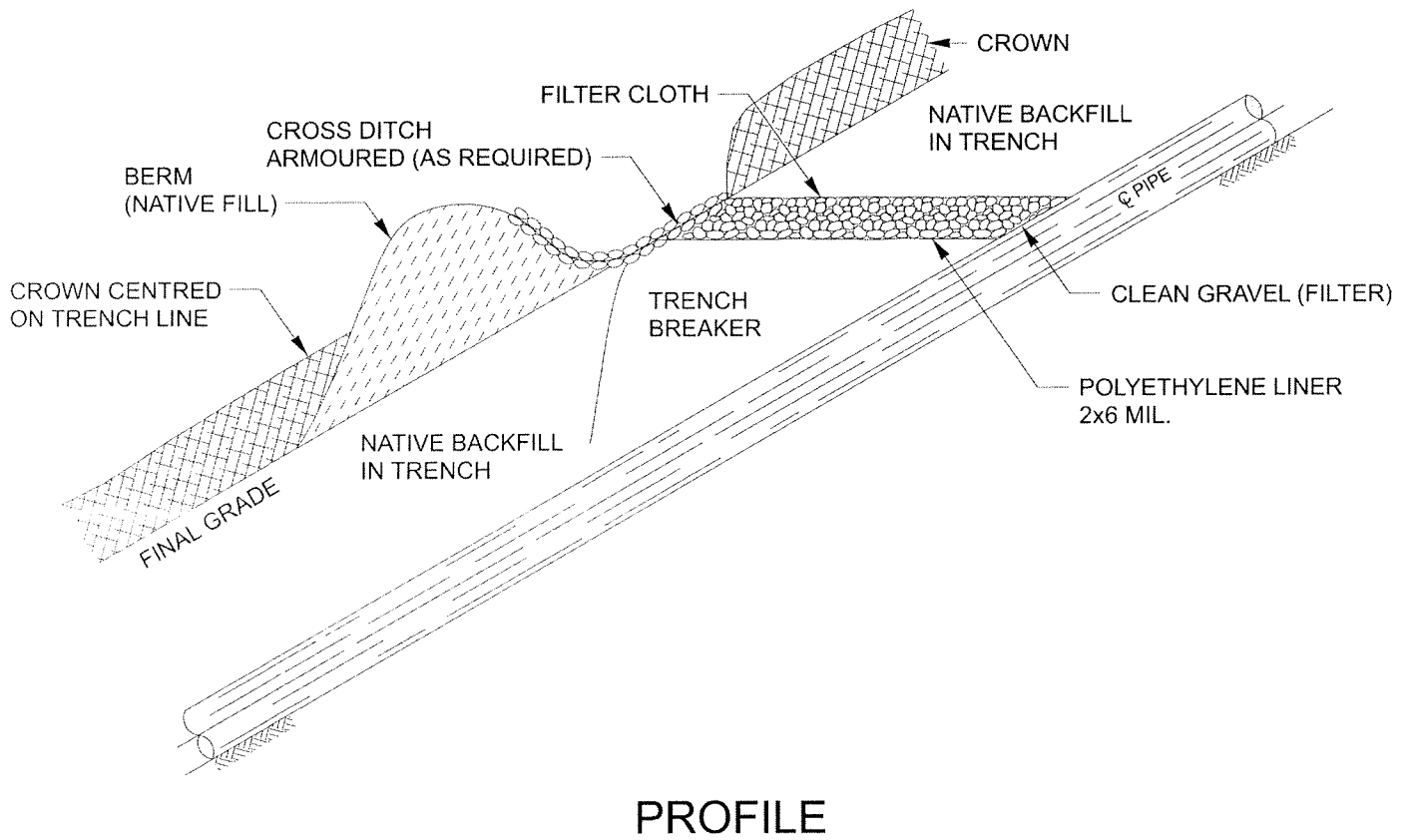
**Table 1**  
**Typical Diversion Berm Spacing**

SLOPE GRADIENT		TYPICAL SPACING*	
(degrees)	(percent)	(m)	(ft)
<8	<15	as required	
8 – 14	15 – 25	45	148
14 – 17	30 – 35	35	115
17 – 20	30 – 35	20	65
> 20	> 35	10 – 15	32 – 50

**NOTES**

\* Rely on field judgment to determine appropriate spacing.

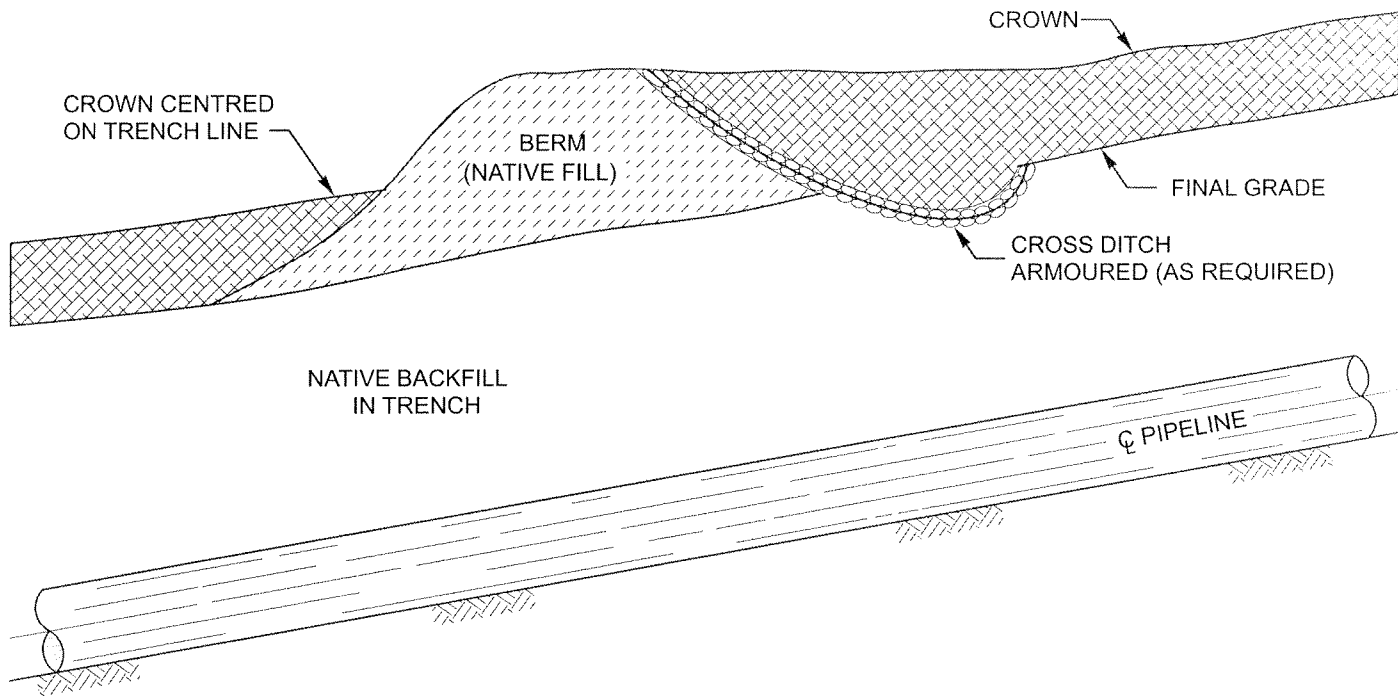
6. Terminate berms in natural vegetation and staggered a minimum of 2 m (6 ½ ft) off the ROW.
7. Tie new berms into existing berms where possible.



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**Figure 1**  
Configuration with Trench Breakers

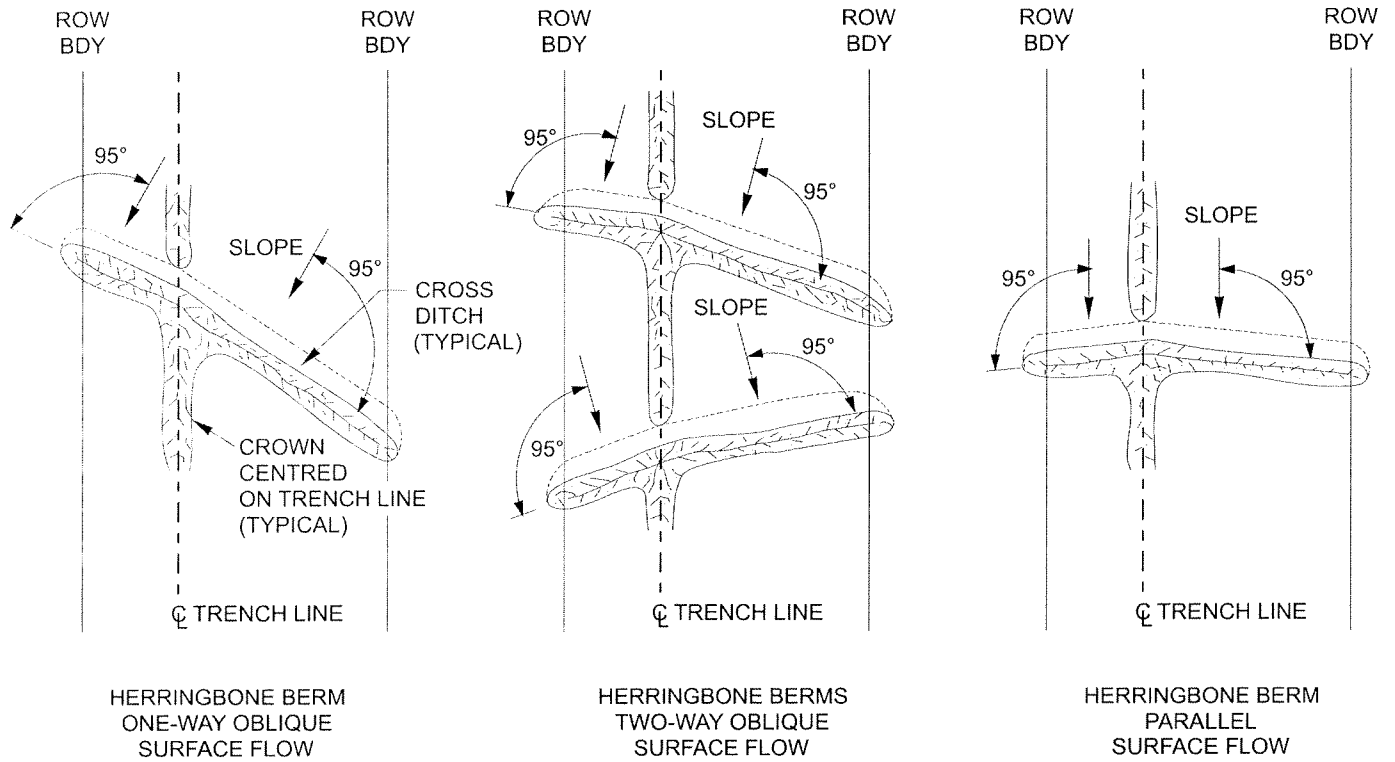


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**Figure 2**  
Configuration without Trench Breakers



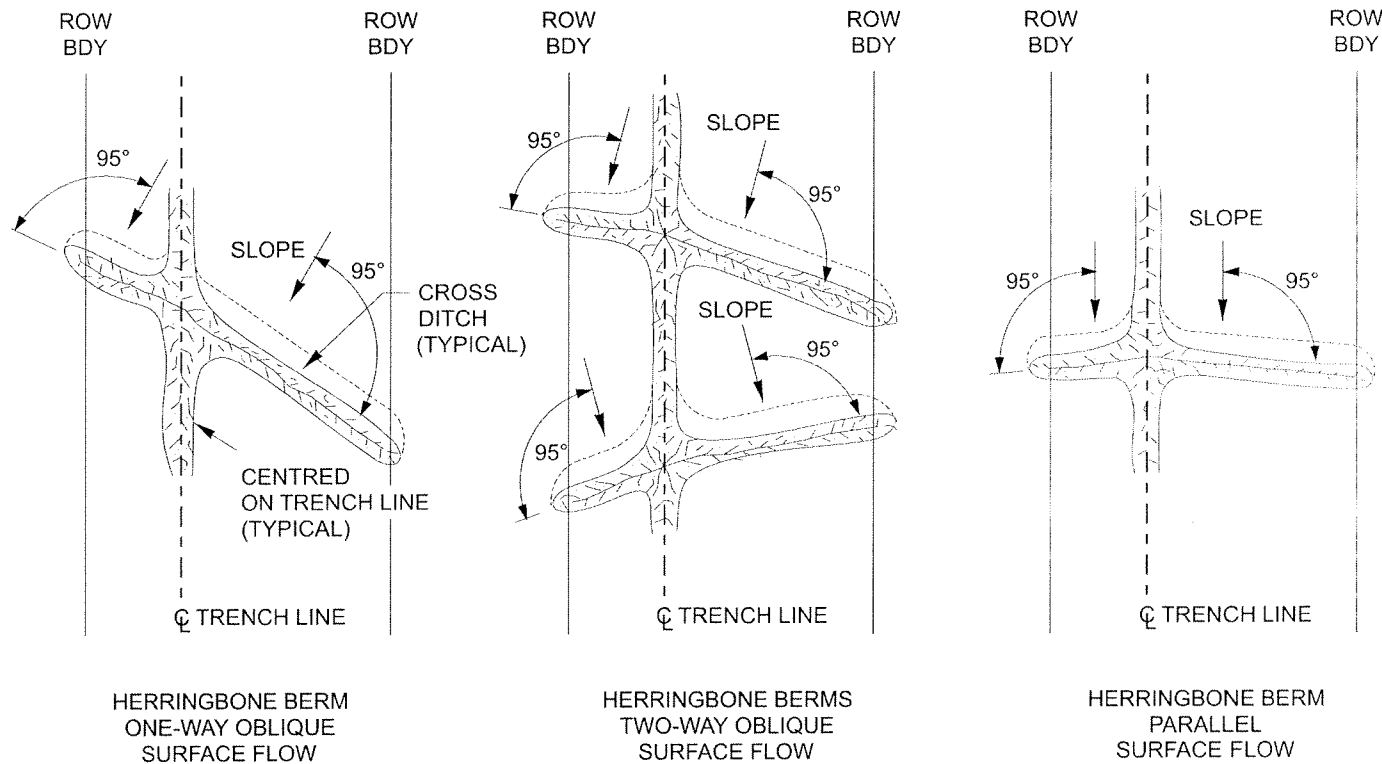
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**Figure 3**

Diversion Berm and Cross Ditch with Trench Breaker



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**Figure 4**  
Diversion Berm and Cross Ditch without Trench Breaker