

STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS

SECTION 02200

STRUCTURE EARTHWORK

PART 1 - GENERAL

A. Description

This section includes excavation, backfilling, materials, testing, and shoring for structures.

B. Related Work Specified Elsewhere

All related work specified elsewhere, or referenced in other codes or standards, will be as last revised, unless a specific date of issuance is called out in opposition to later revision date(s).

Other sections of the technical specifications, not referenced below, shall also apply to the extent required for proper performance of this work.

- 1. Trenching, Backfilling, and Compacting: 02223
- 2. Concrete: 03300

C. Testing for Compaction

Testing for compaction shall conform to Section 02223.

D. Definition of Zones

- 1. Pavement and street zones shall be as specified in Section 02223.
- 2. Backfill zone is the backfill from the bottom of the structure excavation to the bottom of the street zone in paved areas or to the existing surface in unpaved areas.

E. Permits

All work shall conform to the specifications and requirements of the State of California Department of Transportation, San Diego County, the city having jurisdiction, or any other affected agencies involved. The contractor shall keep a copy of all the required permits in the job site and comply with all the terms and conditions of said permits.

PART 2 - MATERIALS

Native earth backfill, imported backfill material, granular material, imported sand, and crushed rock shall conform to the requirements of Section 02223.

PART 3 - EXECUTION

A. Compaction Requirements

1. Backfill in Street Zone: minimum per jurisdictional agency or 95% relative compaction
2. Structural Backfill: 90% relative compaction
3. Gravel Base: 90% relative compaction
4. Adjacent to existing structures: 95% relative compaction

B. Sidewalk, Pavement, and Curb Removal

1. Saw cut bituminous or concrete pavements regardless of their thickness, and curbs and sidewalks prior to excavation for the structure in accordance with the requirements of the city, or agency having jurisdiction. Curbs and sidewalks that are damaged in the course of construction shall be cut and removed from joint to joint.
2. Haul removed pavement and concrete materials from the site, to a proper disposal facility. These materials are not permitted for use as backfill.

C. De-watering

1. Obtain NPDES discharge permit and provide and maintain means and devices to continuously remove and dispose of all water entering the excavation during construction of the structure and all backfill operations.
2. Dispose of the water in a manner to prevent damage to adjacent property and pipe trenches.
3. Do not allow water to rise in the excavation until backfilling around and above the structure is completed.
4. Removal, disposal and reporting of trench water shall conform to the requirements of the NPDES permit. A copy of the permit shall be provided to the District.
5. The sewer system shall not be used as a drain for de-watering.

D. Structure Excavation

1. Structure excavation shall include the removal of all material of whatever nature necessary for the construction of structures and foundations in accordance with the plans and these specifications.
2. The sides of excavations for structures shall be sufficient to leave at least a 2-foot clearance, as measured from the extreme outside of form work or the structure, as the case may be.
3. Surplus material shall be disposed of by the contractor in accordance with Section 02223.

E. Correction of Over Excavation

1. Where excavation is inadvertently carried below design depths, suitable provision shall be made by the contractor to adjust construction, as recommended by the soils engineer and directed by the District representative, to meet requirements incurred by the deeper excavation.
2. No earth backfill will be permitted to correct over excavation beneath structures.
3. Over excavation shall be corrected by backfilling with crushed rock or concrete, as directed by the District representative.

F. Bracing

1. The contractor's design and installation of bracing and sheeting shall take the necessary precautions to be consistent with the rules, orders, and regulations of the State of California Construction Safety Orders.
2. Excavations shall be so braced, sheeted, and supported that they will be safe, such that the walls of the excavation will not slide or settle and all existing improvements of any kind, either on public or private property, will be fully protected from damage.
3. The sheeting, shoring, and bracing shall be arranged so as not to place any stress on portions of the completed work.
4. Carefully remove sheeting, shoring, bracing, and timbering to prevent the caving or collapse of the excavation faces being supported.

G. Backfill

1. After structures and foundations are in place, backfill shall be placed to the original ground line or to the limits designated on the plans.
2. No material shall be deposited against concrete structures until the concrete has reached a compressive strength of at least 3,000 pounds per square inch as tested per Section 03300.
3. Imported sand or granular material shall be placed in horizontal layers not exceeding 12 inches in depth.
4. Each layer of backfill material shall be moistened and thoroughly tamped, rolled, or otherwise compacted to the specified relative density.
5. Carefully operate compaction equipment near structures to prevent their displacement or damage. Structural fill is to be placed and compacted in uniform layers around all sides of the structure.
6. One-sack cement slurry may be used as structural backfill material or above the pipe zone if applicable. (Per Governing Agency):-

H. Pavement Replacement

Pavement replacement shall be in accordance with the requirements of the city or the agency having jurisdiction.

I. Permits

An Encroachment Permit and/or an Excavation Permit from the city or agency having jurisdiction is required prior to any work within public right-of-way. All traffic control and pavement replacement work shall be in accordance with the requirements of the permit and the agency Inspector.

A permit from OSHA is required of any excavation exceeding 5 feet.

Follow all restrictions of the required permits from other agencies.

END OF SECTION