EROSION CONTROL NOTES AND STRATEGIES

1. Erosion Control/Stormwater Control Selection, Sequencing and Maintenance
   - 1.1. Comply with RSA 485-A:17 Terrain Alteration.
   - 1.2. Install and maintain all erosion control/stormwater controls in accordance with the New Hampshire Stormwater Management Manual, Volume 3, Erosion and Sediment Controls During Construction, December 2008 (BMP Manual), available from the NH Department of Environmental Services (NHDES).
   - 1.3. Install erosion control/stormwater control measures prior to the start of work and in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations.
   - 1.4. Select erosion control/stormwater control measures based on the size and nature of the project and physical characteristics of the site, including slope, soil type, vegetative cover, and proximity to jurisdictional areas.
   - 1.5. Install perimeter controls prior to earth disturbing activities.
   - 1.6. Install stormwater treatment ponds and drainage swales before rough grading the site.
   - 1.7. Clean, replace, and augment stormwater control measures and infiltration basins as necessary to prevent sedimentation beyond project limits throughout the project duration.
   - 1.8. Inspect erosion and sediment control measures in accordance with Section 645 of the specifications, weekly, and within 24 hours (during normal work hours), of any storm event greater than 0.25 inches of rain in a 24-hour period.
   - 1.9. Contain stockpiles with temporary perimeter controls. Protect inactive soil stockpiles with soil stabilization measures (temporary erosion control seed mix and mulch, soil binder) or cover them with anchored tarps. If the stockpile is to remain undisturbed for more than 14 days, mulch the stockpile.
   - 1.10. Maintain temporary erosion and stormwater control measures in place until the area has been permanently stabilized.
   - 1.11. An area is considered stable if one of the following has occurred:
     - Base course gravels have been installed in areas to be paved;
     - A minimum of 85% vegetative growth has been established;
     - A minimum of 3”of non-erosive material such as stone or rip-rap has been installed;
     - Temporary slope stabilization has been properly installed (see Table 1).
   - 1.12. Direct runoff to temporary practices until permanent stormwater infrastructure is constructed and stabilized.
   - 1.13. Use temporary mulching, permanent mulching, temporary vegetative cover, and permanent vegetative cover to reduce the need for dust control. Use mechanical sweepers on paved surfaces where necessary to prevent dust buildup. Apply water, or other dust inhibiting agents or tackifiers.
   - 1.14. Plan activities to account for sensitive site conditions
     - Sequence construction to limit the duration and area of exposed soils.
     - Clearly flag areas to be protected in the field and provide construction barrier to prevent trafficking outside of work areas.
     - Protect and maximize existing native vegetation and natural forest buffers between construction activities and sensitive areas.
     - When work is undertaken in a flowing watercourse, implement stream flow diversion methods prior to any excavation or filling activity.
   - 1.15. Utilize storm drain inlet protection to prevent sediment from entering a storm drainage system prior to the permanent stabilization of the contributing disturbed area.
   - 1.16. Use care to ensure that sediments do not enter any existing catch basins during construction. Place temporary inlet protection at inlets in areas of soil disturbance that are subject to sedimentation.
   - 1.17. Construct, stabilize, and maintain temporary and permanent ditches in a manner that will minimize scour. Direct temporary and permanent ditches to drain to sediment basins or stormwater collection areas.
   - 1.18. Supplement channel protection measures with perimeter control measures when ditch lines occur at the bottom of long fill slopes. Install the perimeter controls on the fill slope to minimize the potential for fill slope sediment deposits in the ditch line.
   - 1.19. Divert sediment laden water away from drainage inlet structures to the extent possible.
   - 1.20. Install sediment barriers and sediment traps at drainage inlets to prevent sediment from entering the drainage system.
   - 1.21. Clean catch basins, drainage pipes, and culverts if significant sediment is deposited.
   - 1.22. Construct and stabilize dewatering infiltration basins prior to any excavation that may require dewatering.
   - 1.23. Place and stabilize temporary sediment basins or traps at locations where concentrated flow (channels and pipes) discharge to the surrounding environment from areas of unstabilized earth disturbing activities.
   - 1.24. Stabilize, to appropriate anticipated velocities, conveyance channels or pumping systems needed to convey construction stormwater to basins and discharge locations prior to use.
   - 1.25. Size temporary sediment basins to contain the 2-year, 24 hour storm event.
   - 1.26. Size temporary sediment traps to contain 3,600 cubic feet of storage for each acre of drainage area.
   - 1.27. Construct detention basins to accommodate the 2-year, 24-hour storm event.

2. Construction Planning
   - 2.1. Divert off site runoff or clean water away from the construction activities to reduce the volume that needs to be treated on site.
   - 2.2. Divert storm runoff from upslope drainage areas away from disturbed areas, slopes and around active work areas to a stabilized outlet location.
   - 2.3. Construct impermeable barriers, as necessary, to collect or divert concentrated flows from work or disturbed areas.
   - 2.4. Locate staging areas and stockpiles outside of wetlands jurisdiction.
   - 2.5. Do not store, maintain, or repair mobile heavy equipment in wetlands, unless equipment cannot be practicably removed and secondary containment is provided.
   - 2.6. Provide a water truck to control excessive dust, at the discretion of the Contract Administrator.

3. Site Stabilization
   - 3.1. Stabilize all areas of unstabilized soil as soon as practicable, but no later than 45 days after initial disturbance.
   - 3.2. Limit unstabilized soil to a maximum of 5 acres unless documentation is provided that demonstrates that cuts and fills are such that 5 acres is unreasonable.
   - 3.3. Use erosion control seed mix in all inactive construction areas that will not be permanently seeded within two weeks of disturbance and prior to September 15" of any given year in order to achieve vegetative stabilization prior to the end of the growing season.
   - 3.4. Apply, and reapply as necessary, soil tackifiers in accordance with the manufacturer’s specifications to minimize soil and mulch loss until permanent vegetation is established.
   - 3.5. Stabilize basins, ditches and swales prior to directing runoff to them.
   - 3.6. Stabilize roadway and parking areas within 72 hours of achieving finished grade.
   - 3.7. Stabilize cut and fill slopes within 72 hours of achieving finished grade.
   - 3.8. When temporarily stabilizing soils and slopes, utilize the techniques outlined in Table 1.
   - 3.9. Stabilize all areas that can be stabilized prior to opening up new areas to construction activities.
   - 3.10. Utilize Table 1 when selecting temporary soil stabilization measures.
   - 3.11. Divert off-site water through the project in an appropriate manner so as not to disturb the upstream or downstream soils, vegetation or hydrology beyond the permitted area.
   - 3.12. Install and maintain construction exits anywhere traffic leaves a construction site onto a public right-of-way.
   - 3.13. Sweep all construction related debris and soil from the adjacent paved roadways, as necessary.

4. Slope Protection
   - 4.1. Intercept and divert storm runoff from upslope drainage areas away from unprotected and newly established areas and slopes to a stabilized outlet or conveyance.
   - 4.2. Consider how groundwater seepage on cut slopes may impact slope stability and incorporate appropriate measures to minimize erosion.
   - 4.3. Convey storm water down the slope in a stabilized channel or slope drain.
   - 4.4. The outer face of the fill slope should be in a loose, ruffled condition prior to turf establishment.

5. Winter Construction
   - 5.1. To minimize erosion and sedimentation impacts, limit the extent and duration of winter excavation and earthwork activities. The maximum amount of disturbed earth shall not exceed a total of 5 acres from May 1" through October 15", or exceed one acre during winter months, unless the contractor demonstrates to the Department that the additional area of disturbance is necessary to meet the contractor’s Critical Path Method (CPM) schedule, and the contractor has adequate resources available to ensure that environmental requirements will be met.
   - 5.2. Construction performed any time between October 15" and May 1" of any year is considered winter construction. During winter construction:
     - Stabilize all proposed vegetation areas which do not exhibit a minimum of 85% vegetative growth by October 15", or which are disturbed after October 15", in accordance with Table 1.
     - Stabilize all ditches or swales which do not exhibit a minimum of 85% vegetative growth by October 15", or which are disturbed after October 15", in accordance with Table 1.
     - Protect incomplete road surfaces, where base course gravels have not been installed, and where work has stopped for the season after October 15", in accordance with Table 1.
     - Unless a winter construction plan has been approved by NHDOT, conduct winter excavation and earthwork such that no more than 1 acre of the project is without stabilization an any one time.

6. Wildlife Protection Measures
   - 6.1. Report all observations of threatened and endangered species on the project site to the Department’s Bureau of Environment by phone at 603-271-3226 or by email at Bureau16@dot.nh.gov, indicating in the subject line the project name, number, and that a threatened/endangered species was found.
   - 6.2. Photograph the observed species and nearby elements of habitat or areas of land disturbance and provide them to the Department’s Bureau of Environment at the above email address.
   - 6.3. In the event that a threatened or endangered species is observed on the project during work, the species shall not be disturbed, handled, or harmed prior to receiving direction from the Bureau of Environment.
   - 6.4. Utilize wildlife friendly erosion control methods when:
     - Erosion control blankets are used,
     - A protected species or habitat is documented,
     - The proposed work is in or adjacent to a priority resource area, and/or when specifically requested by NHB or NHF&G

GUIDANCE ON SELECTING TEMPORARY SOIL STABILIZATION MEASURES
TABLE 1

APPLICATION AREAS	DRY MULCH METHODS				HYDRAULICALLY APPLIED MULCHES[2]				ROLLED EROSION CONTROL BLANKETS[3]			
	HMT	WC	SG	CB	HM	SMM	BFM	FRM	SNSB	DNSB	DNSCB	DNCB
SLOPES[1]												
STEEPER THAN 2:1	NO	NO	YES	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES	NO	NO	NO	YES
2:1 SLOPE	YES1	YES[1]	YES	YES	NO	NO	YES	YES	NO	YES	YES	YES
3:1 SLOPE	YES	YES	YES	YES	NO	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NO
4:1 SLOPE	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NO	NO
WINTER STABILIZATION	4T/AC	YES	YES	YES	NO	NO	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES
CHANNELS												
LOW FLOW CHANNELS	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES	YES
HIGH FLOW CHANNELS	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES

ABBREV.	STABILIZATION MEASURE	ABBREV.	STABILIZATION MEASURE	ABBREV.	STABILIZATION MEASURE
HMT	HAY MULCH & TACK	HM	HYDRAULIC MULCH	SNSB	SINGLE NET STRAW BLANKET
WC	WOOD CHIPS	SMM	STABILIZED MULCH MATRIX	DNSB	DOUBLE NET STRAW BLANKET
SG	STUMP GRINDINGS	BFM	BONDED FIBER MATRIX	DNSCB	2 NET STRAW-COCONUT BLANKET
CB	COMPOST BLANKET	FRM	FIBER REINFORCED MEDIUM	DNCB	2 NET COCONUT BLANKET

NOTES:
1. All slope stabilization options assume a slope length ≤ 10 times the horizontal distance component of the slope, in feet.
2. Do not apply products containing polyacrylamide (PAM) directly to, or within 100 feet of any surface water without NHDES approval.
3. Install all methods in Table 1 per the manufacturer’s recommendation for time of year and steepness of slope.

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