

ITEM 614 - MAINTAINING TRAFFIC

GENERALLY THE CONTRACTOR SHALL CONDUCT HIS OPERATIONS AS TO MAKE THE PROPOSED REPAIR WITH A MINIMUM OF HAZARD, DELAY AND INCONVENIENCE TO THE MOTORISTS USING THE HIGHWAY AFFECTED BY THE WORK DONE UNDER THIS CONTRACT: FURTHERMORE, IN ADDITION TO THE CONSTRUCTION AND MATERIAL SPECIFICATIONS, THE FOLLOWING SPECIFIC PROVISIONS ARE MANDATORY.

I. NOTIFICATION

SINCE FUNCTIONAL TRAFFIC CONTROL IS A CONCERN ON ALL PROJECTS, IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT THE MOTORING PUBLIC BE ADEQUATELY FOREWARNED OF FUTURE LANE CLOSURES AND TRAFFIC CONSTRICTIONS. THEREFORE, THE CONTRACTOR SHALL SUBMIT A SCHEDULE TO THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION INDICATING THE LOCATIONS AND DATES OF THE LANE CLOSURES AT LEAST 3 DAYS PRIOR TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF ANY SUCH CLOSURES.

II. RESTRICTIONS

ALL THROUGH TRAFFIC LANES SHALL BE KEPT OPEN AT ALL TIMES EXCEPT DURING HOURS OF CONSTRUCTION. NO LANE CLOSURES SHALL BE IMPLEMENTED OR IN PLACE DURING THE NIGHTTIME HOURS. (8:00 PM TO 6:00 AM)

NOT WITHSTANDING THE ABOVE, NO LANE CLOSURES SHALL BE IMPLEMENTED OR IN PLACE WHEN THE ENGINEER DEEMS THE CLIMATOLOGICAL CONDITIONS TOO HAZARDOUS OR DURING THE PERIODS BEGINNING AT 12:00 NOON ON THE DAY PRECEEDING AND CONTINUING UNTIL SUNRISE ON THE DAY FOLLOWING LEGAL HOLIDAYS AND HOLIDAY WEEKENDS. LANE CLOSURES SHALL NOT EXIST DURING SPECIAL EVENTS.

III. TRAFFIC CONTROL SYSTEMSA. WHEN REQUIRED

WHENEVER ANY PART OF THE TRAVELED SURFACE IS BEING WORKED UPON OR IS OTHERWISE NOT SUITABLE FOR SAFE AND CONVENIENT USE BY VEHICLES, TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES SUFFICIENT TO PROTECT SUCH AREAS TO ASSURE THE SAFE AND CONVENIENT PASSAGE OF VEHICULAR TRAFFIC SHALL BE INSTALLED AND MAINTAINED. SUCH TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES AND THE MANNER IN WHICH THEY ARE USED SHALL BE CONSISTENT WITH THESE PLANS AND THE OHIO MANUAL OF UNIFORM TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES FOR STREETS AND HIGHWAYS, HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AS THE "MANUAL". THE TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICE SYSTEM SHALL CONSTITUTE THE MINIMUM PROVISIONS FOR TRAFFIC CONTROL FOR EACH PARTICULAR SITUATION. WHENEVER THE ENGINEER DEEMS IT NECESSARY ESPECIALLY WHERE A GRADE, CURVE, OR MERGE CONDITION EXISTS, HE MAY DIRECT THAT ADDITIONAL OR ALTERNATIVE DEVICES BE USED.

B. ADVANCE WARNING SIGNS

ALL ADVANCE WARNING SIGNS FOR ANY CONDITION WHICH RESTRICTS TRAFFIC SHALL BE ERECTED BEFORE ANY SUCH RESTRICTION IS PUT INTO EFFECT. ALL SIGNS SHALL BE COVERED OR REMOVED FROM THE VIEW OF TRAFFIC WHENEVER THEY ARE NOT APPLICABLE.

C. FLAGGERS

THE MAINTENANCE OF TRAFFIC PLANS REQUIRE THE CONCURRENT USE OF TWO (2) FLAGGERS.

D. PROTECTION OF PUBLIC

IF TRAVELED LANES UNDER STRUCTURES ARE TO BE CLOSED FOR REASONS OF SAFETY, METHOD AND TIME OF CLOSURE MUST BE APPROVED PRIOR TO IMPLEMENTATION. PERSONAL CARS SHALL NOT BE PARKED WITHIN THE L/A.

E. FAILURE TO COMPLY

IF THERE IS ANY FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH PROVISIONS FOR TRAFFIC CONTROL SET OUT IN THESE PLANS AND NOTES, OR WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE "MANUAL", THE HIGHWAY IN THE VICINITY OF THE WORK AREA SHALL NOT BE CONSIDERED IN A CONDITION FOR THE SAFE AND CONVENIENT USE BY THE TRAVELING PUBLIC. ANY FAILURE TO KEEP THE HIGHWAY IN THE VICINITY OF THE WORK AREA IN A CONDITION FOR THE SAFE AND CONVENIENT USE BY THE TRAVELING PUBLIC SHALL BE CONSIDERED A BREACH OF THIS CONTRACT. WORK SHALL BE SUSPENDED UNTIL THE CONTRACTOR COMPLIES WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE AFOREMENTIONED ITEMS.

IV. TRAFFIC CONTROL MATERIALA. SIGNS

SIGN DIMENSIONS AND SPECIFICATIONS, INCLUDING LETTER SIZES SHALL BE AS PROVIDED IN THE "MANUAL", OR IN SIGN DESIGN DRAWINGS PROVIDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION. THE SIGNS SHALL BE SUBJECT TO APPROVAL OF THE ENGINEER PRIOR TO THE START OF THE PROJECT.

B. SIGN SUPPORTS

SIGN SUPPORTS SHALL BE OF SUFFICIENT SIZE AND HEIGHT AS TO SUPPORT THE SIGNS AT THE HEIGHT INDICATED IN THE "MANUAL", SUPPORTS SHALL ALSO BE ADEQUATE IN MASS AND STABILITY TO PREVENT THE SIGNS BEING BLOWN OVER BY WIND OR VEHICULAR GENERATED AIR TURBULENCE.

C. CONES

CONES SHALL BE LOCATED AS SHOWN IN THE "MANUAL". ALL COSTS FOR INSTALLING, MAINTAINING AND SUBSEQUENT REMOVAL OF SAID CONES EACH DAY SHALL BE INCLUDED IN THE LUMP SUM BID PRICE FOR ITEM 614 - MAINTAINING TRAFFIC.

V. FLAGGER CLOSURE

A. FLAGGERS SHALL BE USED TO CONTROL TRAFFIC CONTINUOUSLY FOR AS LONG AS A ONE LANE OPERATION IS IN EFFECT. THE FLAGGERS SHALL COMMUNICATE WITH EACH OTHER AT ALL TIMES AS DESCRIBED IN THE OHIO MANUAL OF UNIFORM TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES (OMUTCD) IN SECTION 7H: CONTROL OF TRAFFIC THROUGH WORK AREAS.

VI. PAYMENT

PAYMENT FOR PROVIDING, ERECTING, MAINTAINING AND REMOVING TEMPORARY TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES, AND FLAGGERS SHALL BE INCLUDED IN THE LUMP SUM BID FOR ITEM 614 - MAINTAINING TRAFFIC.