

**SECTION 9.45
WILDFLOWER ESTABLISHMENT**

9.45.01--Description: The work included in this item shall consist of providing an accepted stand of established wildflowers by furnishing and placing seed, and mulch on all areas to be treated as shown on the plans or where designated by the Engineer.

9.45.02--Materials: The materials (Mulch) for this work shall conform to the requirements of Article M.13.05.

Wildflowers shall be from commercial seed suppliers.

9.45.03--Construction Methods: Construction methods shall be those established as agronomically acceptable and feasible and which are approved by the Engineer.

1--Preparation of the Seedbed:

(a) Level areas, medians, interchanges and lawns: These areas shall be made friable and receptive for seeding by discing or by other approved methods to the satisfaction of the Engineer. In all cases the final prepared and seeded soil surface shall meet the lines and grades for such surface as shown in the plans, or as directed by the Engineer.

(b) Slope and Embankment Areas: These areas shall be made friable and receptive to seeding by approved methods which will not disrupt the line and grade of the slope surface. In no event will seeding be permitted on hard or crusted soil surface.

(c) All areas to be seeded shall be reasonably free from weeds taller than 75 mm. Removal of weed growth from the slope areas shall be by approved methods, including handmowing, which do not rut or scar the slope surface, or cause excessive disruption of the slope line or grade. Seeding on level areas shall not be permitted until substantially all weed growth is removed.

2--Seeding Season: The calendar dates for seeding shall be:

Spring--March 1 to May 15

Fall--November 15 to December 15

3--Seeding Methods: The wildflower seed mixture shall be applied by an agronomically acceptable procedure. The rate of application shall be shown on the plans or directed by the Engineer.

9.45.04--Method of Measurement: The quantity for which payment will be made will be the number of kilograms of each size and kind of wildflower seed counted, planted and accepted.

9.45.05--Basis of Payment: Payment for this work will be made at the contract unit price, per kilogram for the kind of wildflower seed, completed and accepted in place, which shall include all materials, equipment, tools, labor, transportation, operations, and all work incidental thereto.

Pay Item
(Wildflower Name)

Pay Unit
kg