

**SECTION 9.52
SELECTIVE CLEARING AND THINNING**

9.52.01--Description: This work shall consist of cutting, trimming and removal of trees, stumps, brush, rubbish and objectionable material located within the highway limits and appurtenant areas. Materials to be cut, trimmed or removed shall be as shown on the plans.

9.52.03--Construction Methods : All work pertaining to the cutting, trimming and removal of trees, stumps, brush, rubbish and other objectionable material shall be done in a neat and orderly manner so as not to cause damage to adjacent vegetation. Trees, stumps and brush to be removed shall be cut flush with the ground surface. Branches of trees shall be trimmed as directed.

Prior to clearing operations, a meeting must be held. Those attending the meeting should include the Contractor, the Engineer, the designer, local tree warden or equivalent, and the District Environmental Coordinator. All clearing issues shall be resolved to the satisfaction of the Engineer before any trees are cut.

All trees scheduled to be removed shall be visibly marked or flagged by the Contractor at least seven days prior to the cutting of such trees.

The Engineer will inspect the identified trees and verify the limits of clearing and thinning prior to the Contractor proceeding with its cutting operation.

The Contractor shall dispose of all such trees, branches, stumps, brush, etc., in a satisfactory manner and shall remove all rubbish and refuse from within the highway limits.

9.52.04--Method of Measurement: Selective clearing and thinning, being paid for on a lump sum basis, will not be measured for payment.

9.52.05--Basis of Payment: This work will be paid for at the contract lump sum price for "Selective Clearing and Thinning" which price shall include all material, tools, equipment and labor incidental thereto.

Pay Item	Pay Unit
Selective Clearing and Thinning	L.S.