

GENERAL PROVISIONS

SECTION I - DEFINITION OF TERMS

1.01 TERMS. Whenever in these specifications, or in any documents or instruments where these specifications govern, the following terms or pronouns in place of them are used, the intent and meaning shall be interpreted as follows:

(a) DISTRICT: The Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District of the State of California, as created by law, also sometimes referred to as the Flood Control District, or party of the first part.

(b) BOARD OF SUPERVISORS: The Board of Supervisors of the Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District as created by law, also sometimes referred to as the Board. References to the Board set forth in Sections 2.07, 6.06, 7.01 and 7.08, shall be deemed to refer to the General Manager-Chief Engineer of the District.

(c) ENGINEER: The Chief Engineer of the Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District, also sometimes referred to as the Flood Control Engineer, the Chief Engineer, or the General Manager-Chief Engineer, acting either directly or through properly authorized agents, such agents acting within the scope of the particular duties entrusted to them.

(d) LABORATORY: The established laboratory of the District or laboratories authorized by the District to test materials and work involved in the contract.

(f) CONTRACTOR: The person or persons, co-partnership or corporation, private or municipal, who have entered into a contract with the District, as party or parties of the second part or his or their legal representatives.

(g) SUPERINTENDENT: The Executive representative of the Contractor, present on the work at all times during progress, authorized to receive and execute instruction from the Engineer.

(h) PLANS or PROJECT DRAWINGS: The official plans, profiles, typical cross sections, general cross sections, working drawings, and supplemental drawings, or exact reproductions thereof, approved by the Engineer, which show the location, character, dimensions and details of the work to be done, and which are to be considered as a part of the contract supplementary to these specifications.

(i) SPECIFICATIONS: The directions, provisions, and requirements contained herein as supplemented by such special provisions, as may be necessary, pertaining to the method and manner of performing the work or to the quantities and qualities of materials to be furnished under the contract. The Special Provisions are specific clauses setting forth conditions or requirements peculiar to the project under consideration and covering work or materials involved in the proposal and estimate but not satisfactorily covered by these General Provisions. Supplemental agreements

or contract change orders are written agreements executed by the Contractor and by the District, covering alterations, amendments or extensions to the project, as hereinafter provided.

(j) CONTRACT: The written agreement covering the performance of the work and the furnishing of labor and materials in the construction of the work. The contract shall include the Notice to Contractors, the Proposal, Plans, Specifications, Special Provisions, and Contract Bonds, also, any and all supplemental agreements or contract change orders amending or extending the work contemplated and which may be required to complete the work in a substantial and acceptable manner.

(k) CONTRACT PRICE: Shall mean either the lump sum, unit price, or unit prices to be named in the contract, or the total of all payments under the contract at the lump sum, unit price, or unit prices, as the case may be.

(l) SURETY OR SURETIES: The bondsmen or party or parties, approved by the Engineer, who may guarantee the fulfillment of the contract by bond, and whose signatures are attached to said bond.

(m) RIGHT OF WAY: The whole right of way which is reserved for and secured for use in constructing the improvement.

(n) THE WORK: All the work specified in the Specifications and Contract Documents, including the Special Provisions, proposal and contract, or indicated on the plans as the contemplated complete improvement covered by the contract.

1.02 SIMILARITY OF WORDS. Wherever in the specifications or upon the plans the words directed, required, permitted, ordered, designated, prescribed, or words of like import are used, it will be understood that the direction, requirements, permission, order, designation, or prescription of the Flood Control Engineer is intended, and similarly the words approved, acceptable, satisfactory, or words of like import, shall mean approved by, or acceptable to, or satisfactory to, the Flood Control Engineer, unless otherwise expressly stated.

SECTION II - SCOPE OF WORK

2.01 WORK TO BE DONE

It is the intent of these General Provisions, Special Provisions, Detailed Specifications, and the plans herein referred to, that the Contractor shall provide all labor, power, light, water, materials, equipment, tools, scaffolding, machinery, transportation, insurance, permits, bonds, temporary protection, watchmen, and superintendence necessary to construct and complete all work, and to furnish all materials included in the contract, except those furnished by the District and as specifically mentioned in these specifications.

The contract documents are complementary, and the work called for by any one shall be as binding as if called for by all.

2.02 CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE

The Contractor shall submit at such times as may be requested by the Engineer, a schedule which shall show the order and dates in which the Contractor proposes to carry on the various parts

of the work; including estimated completion dates. The District's receipt of such schedule(s) shall not indicate any concurrence by the District in the items or dates described in the schedule(s).

2.03 DRAWINGS AND SPECIFICATIONS ON THE WORK

The Contractor shall keep one copy of all drawings and specifications on the work, in good order, available to the Engineer and his representatives.

2.04 ESTIMATE OF QUANTITIES

The quantities of work to be done and the materials to be furnished under this contract are approximate only. The District is not to be held responsible for the accuracy of the estimate of quantities.

The Contractor shall judge for himself, after considering all circumstances and conditions, the costs and quantities of materials involved in the contract. The Contractor shall not at any time assert that there was any misunderstanding in regard to the depth or class of the excavations to be made, or the nature or kind or amount of materials to be furnished for the work.

The Contractor shall not at any time assert that there was any misunderstanding in regard to the nature of the work or the kind or amount of materials to be furnished for the work. The Contractor herewith agrees that he will not ask, demand, sue for, or seek to recover, for compensation in excess of the amounts payable for the various unit costs or lump sum charges for the work, as stipulated in the proposal, which he actually performs as specified.

2.05 PROTESTS

If the Contractor considers any work demanded of him to be outside of the requirements of the contract, or considers any record or ruling of the Engineer to be unfair, he shall immediately, upon such work being demanded or such record or ruling being made, ask, in writing, for written instructions covering protested items of work. Immediately on receipt of written instructions from the Engineer he shall proceed without delay to diligently perform the work in conformance with the written record or ruling. Immediately upon receipt of the written instructions or ruling and before the start of such work, and no later than five (5) business days, the Contractor shall file a written protest with the Engineer stating clearly and in detail the basis of his protest. Except for such protests as are made of record in the manner herein specified and within the time limit stated, the records, rulings, instructions, or decisions of the Engineer shall be final and conclusive.

2.06 ALTERATIONS

The Contractor understands and agrees that such reasonable alterations and modifications may be made by the Chief Engineer, as may be deemed desirable, and that this may be done without notices to the Sureties on the Contractor's bonds. If such changes result in increased or decreased quantities under the items specified in the Agreement, the Contractor will be paid on the basis of actual quantities as measured by the Engineer.

2.07 EXTRA WORK

A. General

The District reserves and shall have the right, for any reason whatsoever, or when confronted with unpredicted conditions, unforeseen events, or emergencies, to revise the details of the contemplated work, or to add work of a different character or function and have the Contractor perform such revised or added work as "Extra Work", when such extra work is considered by the Chief Engineer to be appurtenant to the satisfactory completion of the project.

The signing of the contract by the Contractor will be deemed to be an agreement on his part to perform extra work, as and when ordered by the Chief Engineer. Notice to the Sureties on the Contractor's bonds will not be given unless the estimated total value of the contract, as changed or supplemented, shall exceed the original total bid price by more than 25%.

If required extra work results in delay to the work, the Contractor will be given an equivalent extension of time.

Approval of extra work shall be obtained from the Board of Supervisors before such work is authorized to be done, if:

- a. For contracts with a total contract price of \$250,000 or less, a change due to extra work exceeds ten percent (10%) of the original contract amount; or
- b. For contracts with a total contract price of more than \$250,000, a change due to extra work exceeds \$25,000 plus one percent (1%) of the original contract amount in excess of \$250,000; or
- c. An individual change exceeds \$100,000; or
- d. Cumulative contract changes exceed ten percent (10%) of the original contract amount.

Extra work specially authorized by the Board of Supervisors shall not be included in the cost limitations above stated.

B. Procedure for Extra Work

1. Extra work may not be done by the Contractor without prior request and proper written approval by the District. Upon decision of the District to have extra work performed, the Chief Engineer will so inform the Contractor, acquainting him with the essential details of the new work.

2. Prices for extra work shall be prepared by the Contractor on one or both of the following methods, as requested by the District, and submitted to the Chief Engineer for approval:

a. For a stated unit price or lump sum amount based upon current prevailing fair prices for materials, labor, plant, overhead and profit.

b. On a cost basis (force account by the Contractor). The cost of all work done by the Contractor will be computed in the manner described in Section 9-1.04 of the Standard Specifications of the State of California, Department of Transportation, 2015 edition, and the compensation thus provided shall be accepted as payment in full by the Contractor, and no

additional payment will be allowed for the use of small tools, superintendent's and foreman's services, timekeeper's services, pickup or yard trucks, except as specifically essential to the work, nor any other overhead expenses incurred in the prosecution of the force account work.

3. Upon receipt of the Contractor's price, the Chief Engineer will make an analysis thereof and adopt one of the following procedures:

a. Accept the Contractor's price for lump sum or unit price amount in the original or amended form and direct him to proceed with the work; or direct him to perform the work on a cost plus basis.

b. Have the work performed by District's forces or separate contract, without undue interference or hindrance to the Contractor and without claim or suit by the Contractor for damages on account thereof.

c. Direct the Contractor to proceed with the work and accept payment therefor in the amount as adjudicated later in a court of law.

4. The price agreed to by the Contractor for the extra work shall be full compensation to the Contractor for all labor, materials, equipment or other costs related to the extra work.

2.08 PAYMENT FOR EXTRA WORK

At the end of each month the Contractor shall make and deliver to the Chief Engineer a statement of the cost of the extra work completed during the current month, itemized and in a form satisfactory to the Chief Engineer. Upon verification of said statement by the Chief Engineer, the Contractor's claim for the full amount, as shown on said statement, will be added to the monthly partial payment made in accordance with Section 9-1.04 of the State Standard Specifications.

2.09 RIGHTS OF WAY

The District shall provide the rights of way upon which the work under this contract is to be done, except that the Contractor shall provide land required for the erection of temporary construction facilities and storage of his material, together with right of access to same. The District will not be responsible for any delay in furnishing the rights of way and such delay shall not be made the basis for a claim for additional compensation by the Contractor. However, in case the failure of the District to furnish the required rights of way delays the prosecution of the work, the time allowed for completion will be extended by a period of time equal to that lost by the Contractor due to such delay.

2.10 CLEANING UP

The Contractor shall, as directed by the Engineer, remove from the District's right of way and from all public and private property, at his own expense, all temporary structures, rubbish and waste materials resulting from his operations.

SECTION III - CONTROL OF THE WORK

3.01 AUTHORITY OF THE ENGINEER

The Engineer shall have general supervision and direction of the contract under authority of the Board of Supervisors. He has the authority to stop the work whenever such stoppage may be necessary to ensure the proper execution of the contract. The Engineer shall decide all questions which may arise as to the quality or acceptability of materials furnished, work performed, and rate or progress of the work; all questions which may arise as to the interpretation of the plans and specifications; all questions as to the acceptable fulfillment of the contract on the part of the Contractor; and all questions as to compensation.

His determination and decision thereon shall be final and conclusive; and such determination and decision, in case any question shall arise, shall be a condition precedent to the right of the Contractor to receive any money hereunder.

3.02 DETAIL DRAWINGS

The approved plans shall be supplemented by such working drawings as are necessary to control the work adequately. All authorized alterations affecting the requirements and information given on the approved plans shall be in writing. No changes shall be made of any plan or drawing after the same has been approved by the Engineer, except by his direction.

It is expressly understood, however, that approval by the Engineer of the Contractor's working drawings does not relieve the Contractor of any responsibility for accuracy of dimensions and details. It is mutually agreed that the Contractor shall be responsible for agreement and conformity of his working drawings with the approved plans and specifications.

Full compensation for furnishing all working drawings shall be considered as included in the prices paid for the various contract items of work, and no additional allowance will be made therefor.

3.03 CONFORMITY WITH PLANS AND ALLOWABLE DEVIATIONS

Finished surfaces in all cases shall conform with the elevations, lines, grades, cross-sections, and dimensions shown on the approved plans or as described in the Specifications and Contract Documents. Deviations from the approved plans and working drawings, will in all cases be in the Engineer's discretion and as determined by the Engineer and preauthorized in writing.

3.04 INTERPRETATION OF PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS

Should it appear that the work to be done or any of the matters relative thereto are not sufficiently detailed or explained in these specifications and the Special Provisions, the Contractor must bring this to District's attention in writing and shall apply to the Engineer for such further explanations as may be necessary and shall conform to the same part of the contract, so far as may be consistent with the original specifications; and in the event of any doubt or questions arising respecting the true meaning of the specifications; reference shall be made to the Engineer, whose decision thereon shall be final.

In the event of any discrepancy between any drawings and the figures written thereon, the figures shall be taken as correct. The Contractor will not be allowed to take advantage of errors and omissions in the drawings and specifications. When errors or omissions are found, they will be corrected or supplied by the Engineer.

3.05 SUPERINTENDENCE

The Contractor shall keep on his work, continually during its progress, a competent Superintendent responsible for the construction of the work, and any necessary assistants; all satisfactory to the Engineer. All such persons shall be acceptable to the District continuously throughout the duration of the Project. The Superintendent shall represent the Contractor in his absence and all directions given to him shall be as binding as if given to the Contractor. Important directions shall be confirmed in writing to the Contractor. Other directions shall be so confirmed on written request in each case.

3.06 LINES AND GRADES

The Contractor shall provide reasonable and necessary opportunities and facilities for setting points and making measurements. He shall not proceed until he has made timely demand upon the Engineer for, and has received from him, such lines and grades as may be necessary as the work progresses. The work shall be done in strict conformity with such lines and grades.

The Contractor shall carefully preserve benchmarks, reference points and stakes, and in case of willful or careless destruction, he shall be charged with the resulting expense and shall be responsible for any mistakes that may be caused by their unnecessary loss or disturbance.

3.07 INSPECTION OF WORK

The Engineer and his representatives shall at all times have access to the work during its construction, and shall be furnished with every reasonable opportunity and facility for ascertaining that the stock and materials used and employed, and the workmanship, are in accordance with the requirements and intentions of these specifications. All work done and all materials furnished shall be subject to the Engineer's inspection and approval to ensure design objectives.

The inspection of the work shall not relieve the Contractor of any of his obligations to fulfill his contracts as prescribed, and defective work shall be made good and unsuitable materials may be rejected, notwithstanding that such defective work and materials have been previously overlooked by the Engineer and accepted or estimated for payment.

3.08 REMOVAL OF DEFECTIVE AND UNAUTHORIZED WORK

All work which has been rejected shall be remedied, or removed and replaced by the Contractor in an acceptable manner and no compensation will be allowed him for such removal or replacement. Any work done beyond the lines and grades shown on the plans or established by the Engineer, or any extra work done without written authority, will be considered as unauthorized and will not be paid for. Work so done may be ordered removed at the Contractor's expense. Upon failure on the part of the Contractor to comply forthwith with any order of the Engineer made under the provisions of this article, the Engineer shall have authority to cause defective work to be remedied, or removed and replaced, and unauthorized work to be removed and to deduct the costs for this work from any monies due or to become due the Contractor.

3.09 EQUIPMENT AND PLANT

Equipment not suitable to produce the quality of work required will not be permitted to operate on the project. Plants shall be designed and constructed in accordance with general

practice for such equipment and shall be of sufficient capacity and of such character to ensure the production of sufficient material to carry the work to completion within the time limit.

The Contractor shall provide adequate and suitable equipment and plants to meet the above requirements and, when ordered by the Engineer, shall remove unsuitable equipment from the work and discontinue the operation of unsatisfactory plants. No worn or obsolete equipment shall be used, and in no case shall the maker's rating of the capacity for any equipment be exceeded.

All vehicles used to haul materials over existing highways shall be equipped with pneumatic tires.

3.10 FINAL INSPECTION

The Engineer will not make the final inspection until the work provided for and contemplated by the contract has been completed and the final cleaning up performed.

SECTION IV - CONTROL OF MATERIAL

4.01 DISTRICT FURNISHED MATERIALS

The Contractor shall furnish all materials required to complete the work, except those specified in the Special Provisions to be furnished by the District. Materials furnished by the District will be delivered to the Contractor at the points specified in the Special Provisions.

The Contractor will be held responsible for all materials so delivered to him, and deductions will be made from any monies due him to make good any shortages and deficiencies, from any cause whatsoever, which may occur after such delivery, or for any demurrage charges due to delinquency in unloading.

4.02 SOURCE OF SUPPLY AND QUALITY OF MATERIALS

At the option of the Engineer the source of supply of each of the materials shall be approved by him before the delivery is started. Only materials conforming to the requirements of these specifications and approved by the Engineer shall be used in the work. All materials proposed for use may be inspected or tested at any time during their preparation and use. If, after trial, it is found that sources of supply which have been approved do not furnish a uniform product, or if the product from any source proves unacceptable at any time, the Contractor shall furnish approved material from other approved sources. No material which, after approval, subsequently becomes unfit for use shall be used in the work.

Wherever the name, or brand, or manufacturer of an item is specified, it is used as a measure of quality and utility or a standard. Except in those instances where the product is designated to match others presently in use, or as otherwise stated in the Contract Documents, specifications calling for a designated material, product, thing or service by specific brand or trade name shall be deemed to be followed by the words "or equal" so that the Contractor may propose any equal material, product, thing or service. If the Contractor desires to use any other brand or manufacturer of equal quality or utility to that specified, he shall list definite particulars of that which it considers equivalent to the specified item. The District will then determine whether or not the proposed name brand or article is equal in quality and utility to that specified, and the District's determination in that regard shall be final and binding upon the Contractor.

4.03 SAMPLES AND TESTS

All tests of materials furnished by the Contractor shall be made by the District in accordance with commonly recognized standards of national organizations, and such special methods and tests as are in use at the District's approved laboratory and described in the Detailed Specifications.

Field tests of materials will also be made by the Engineer when deemed necessary and these tests shall be made in accordance with standard practices of the District.

The Contractor shall furnish such samples of all materials as are requested by the Engineer without charge. No material shall be used until it has been approved by the Engineer. Samples will be secured and tested whenever necessary to determine the quality of the material.

Promptly after the approval of the contract, the Contractor shall notify the Engineer of the proposed sources of supply of all materials to be furnished by him, using a form which will be supplied by the Engineer upon request.

Whenever reference is made in these specifications to standard tests or requirements of the laboratory of the District, the American Society for Testing Materials, the American Railway Engineering Association, or the American Association of State Highway Officials, the reference shall be construed to mean the standards that are in effect at the date of these specifications with subsequent amendments, changes, or additions as thereafter adopted and published by the organization referred to.

4.04 DIGGING TRENCHES OR OTHER EXCAVATIONS

Any work that involves digging trenches or other excavations extending deeper than four feet below the surface, then the following terms shall apply:

4.04.1 Contractor shall promptly, and before the following conditions are disturbed, notify the District, in writing, of any:

- 4.04.1.1 Material that the Contractor believes may be material that is hazardous waste, as defined in Section 25117 of the Health and Safety Code, that is required to be removed to a Class I, Class II, or Class III disposal site in accordance with provisions of existing law.
- 4.04.1.2 Subsurface or latent physical conditions at the site differing from those indicated by information about the site.
- 4.04.1.3 Unknown physical conditions at the site of any unusual nature, different materially from those ordinarily encountered and generally recognized as inherent in work of the character provided for in the contract.

4.04.2 The District shall promptly investigate the conditions, and advise the contractor how to proceed.

4.04.3 Contractor shall submit to District, in advance of excavation, a detailed plan

showing the design of shoring, bracing, sloping, or other provisions to be made for worker protection from the hazard of caving ground during the excavation of such trench or trenches. Prior to any excavation is commenced, District shall accept said plan. If such plan varies from the shoring system standards, the plan shall be prepared by a registered civil or structural engineer.

4.04.4 Nothing in this section shall be deemed to allow the use of a shoring, sloping, or protective system less effective than that required by the Construction Safety Orders.

4.04.5 Nothing in this section shall be construed to impose tort liability on the awarding body or any of its employees.

4.05 STORAGE OF MATERIALS

Materials shall be so stored as to ensure the preservation of their quality and fitness for the work. When considered necessary by the Engineer, they shall be placed on wooden platforms or other hard, clean surfaces and not on the ground. They shall be placed under cover when so directed. Stored materials shall be so located as to facilitate prompt inspection.

4.06 DEFECTIVE MATERIALS

All materials not conforming to the requirements of these specifications shall be considered as defective and all such materials, whether in place or not, shall be rejected and shall be removed immediately from the site of the work unless otherwise permitted by the Engineer. No rejected materials, the defects of which have been subsequently corrected, shall be used until approval in writing has been given by the Engineer. Upon failure on the part of the Contractor to comply forthwith with any order of the Engineer made under the provisions of this article, the Engineer shall have authority to remove and replace defective material and to deduct the cost of removal and replacement from any monies due or to become due the Contractor.

4.07 ASSIGNMENT OF CLAIMS

The Contractor and/or subcontractor do offer and agree to assign to the District all rights, title, and interest in and to all causes of action it may have under Section 4 of the Clayton Act (15 U.S.C. Section 15) or under the Cartwright Act (Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 16700) of Part 2 of Division 7 of the Business and Professions Code), arising from purchases of goods, services, or materials pursuant to the public works contract or the subcontract. This assignment shall be made and become effective at the time the awarding body tenders final payment to the Contractor, without further acknowledgment by the parties.

SECTION V - LEGAL RELATIONS AND RESPONSIBILITY

5.01 LAWS TO BE OBSERVED

(a) Compliance with Applicable Law. Reference to and/or incorporation into the Contract Documents of a particular law, statute, ordinance, rule or regulation is not, nor is it intended to be, a definitive statement of the law applicable to the Contract Documents and the accomplishment of the work. Contractor must keep informed as to all such applicable law - Federal, State, County, Municipal, District - as it affects the conduct of the work and comply with such law, including, but not limited to, having requisite licenses, obtaining necessary permits, paying necessary fees and taxes, posting notices and installing, operating and maintaining safety

precautions and facilities. It is likewise Contractor's responsibility to see to it that his subcontractors also fully comply with such applicable law.

If at any time Contractor is of the opinion that there is a discrepancy or inconsistency in the plans, drawings, specifications or other Contract Documents, he shall immediately cease work involving such alleged discrepancies or inconsistencies and report the same in writing to the Chief Engineer and shall not proceed with such work until ordered so to do, and in the manner instructed by the Chief Engineer.

Contractor shall protect and defend District, its officers, agents and employees against any claim or liability arising from or based upon any alleged violation of such applicable law. See also Subsection 8.02.

(b) Labor Code - The Contractor shall comply with all applicable requirements of the California Labor Code including but not limited to Labor Code, Chapter 2, Subchapter 1, Article 10, Required Apprentices on Public Works Contracts. Reference is made to Chapter 1, Part 7, Division 2 of the California Labor Code (commencing with Section 1720). By this reference said Chapter 1 is incorporated herein with like effect as if it were here set forth in full. The parties recognize that said Chapter 1 deals with, among other things, discrimination, penalties and forfeitures, their disposition and enforcement, wages, working hours and securing workers' compensation insurance and directly affect the method of prosecution of the work by Contractor and subject it under certain conditions to penalties and forfeitures. Execution of the Agreement by the parties constitutes their agreement to abide by said Chapter 1. Their stipulation as to all matters which they are required to stipulate as to by the provisions of said Chapter 1, constitutes Contractor's certification that it is aware of the provisions of said Chapter 1 and will comply with them and further constitutes Contractor's certification as follows: "I am aware of the provisions of Section 3700 of the California Labor Code which requires every employer to be insured against liability for workers' compensation or to undertake self-insurance in accordance with the provisions of that Code, and I will comply with such provisions before commencing the performance of the work of this contract." Contractor and its subcontractors shall comply with the provisions of S1777.5 of the Labor Code regarding apprentices.

Contractor shall post at each job site during the course of the work a copy of District's "Determination of Prevailing Wage Rates", copies of said Determination are available from District for this purpose and at <http://www.dir.ca.gov/OPRL/DPreWageDetermination.htm>.

(c) Equal Employment Opportunity

General - The Contractor shall comply with all applicable non-discrimination and equal employment laws. The Contractor shall not discriminate in its recruiting, hiring, promotion, demotion or termination practices on the basis of race, religious creed, color, national origin, ancestry, sex, age or physical handicap in the performance of this Contract and shall comply with the provisions of the California Fair Employment Practice Act (commencing with Section 1410 of the Labor Code), the Federal Civil Rights Act of 1964 (P.L. 88-352) and all amendments thereto, Executive Order No. 11246 (30 Federal Register 12319), as amended, and all administrative rules and regulations issued pursuant to said Acts and Order. See particularly 41 Code of Federal Regulation (CFR) Chapter 60.

Contractor shall require each of its subcontractors to comply with the preceding paragraph and shall include in each subcontract language similar to the preceding paragraph.

Contractor shall permit access to its records of employment, employment advertisement, application forms and other pertinent data and records (including but not limited to certified payroll information) by District and any state or federal agency having jurisdiction for the purpose of investigation to ascertain compliance with this Section.

District may assign an affirmative action representative to monitor Contractor and its subcontractor(s) conduct required by this Section, including the right of entry to the construction site for the purpose of obtaining information from persons performing work on the project providing such inspection does not interfere with the progress of the work.

Elsewhere in the Contract Documents specific requirements may be contained covering the same subject matter of this Section. If so, such specific requirements prevail over this Section in case of conflict.

Transactions of \$10,000 or under - Contracts and subcontracts not exceeding \$10,000 are exempt from the requirements of this Section. No Contractor or subcontractor shall procure supplies and/or services in less than usual quantities to avoid applicability of this Section. With respect to contracts and subcontracts for indefinite quantities, this Section applies unless the amount required in any one year under such contract will reasonably be expected not to exceed \$10,000.

Transactions in Excess of \$10,000 but less than \$50,000 - At District's request, Contractor shall certify that it has in effect an affirmative action plan and agrees to comply with all state and federal laws and regulations regarding Fair Employment Practices. Contractor shall maintain a written copy of its affirmative action plan and furnish District a copy of the plan upon request. District may require Contractor to complete an Affirmative Action Compliance Report, on a form furnished by District, setting forth definite goals during the term of this contract.

Transactions of \$50,000 or more - If Contractor has 50 or more employees and a contract for \$50,000 or more, it shall develop and submit to District, within 30 days after award, a written affirmative action compliance program providing in detail specific steps to guarantee equal employment opportunity. Contractor shall include in its affirmative action program a table of job classifications, which table shall include but need not be limited to job titles, duties and rates of pay.

Contractor shall in each subcontract let to do a portion of the work covered hereunder, where the subcontractor involved has 50 or more employees and the subcontract is for \$50,000 or more, impose in the subcontract the above requirements.

For the purpose of determining the number of employees, the average of the Contractor's or its subcontractor's employees for the 12 month period immediately prior to award, or the total number of employees Contractor or its subcontractor will have when performing this contract, whichever is higher, shall be used.

Federally Assisted Construction - If this project is a Federally assisted construction project, then the contract provisions contained 41 CFR S60-1.4(b) are incorporated herein and Contractor shall likewise incorporate said provisions in each subcontract entered into by Contractor to perform the work. Federally assisted construction is identified as such in the Notice Inviting Bids.

(d) Registration of Contractors - In order to be considered a prospective bidder must be licensed in accordance with Division 3, Chapter 9 (commencing with Section 7000) of the Business and Professions Code.

(e) Accident Prevention - Particular attention shall be given to relevant Division of Industrial Safety Construction and Electrical Safety Orders. Said Orders are contained in Title 8 of the California Code of Regulations, Chapter 4, Subchapters 4 and 5. Specific attention shall be taken of the California Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1973 (commencing with Section 6300 of the Labor Code) and the Federal Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-596) and rules and regulations issued pursuant to said Acts. Specific reference is made to Article 6 of said Construction Safety Orders. Contractor shall submit to Engineer, who will accept in advance of excavation, a detailed plan showing the design of shoring, bracing, sloping of the sides of trenches, or other provisions to be made for protection of personnel during earthwork operations. In event the Contractor's plan does not conform with the shoring system requirements of Article 6, the Contractor's proposed shoring design shall be prepared and signed by a civil or structural engineer registered in the State of California.

The Contractor shall also impose the foregoing requirements on all subcontractors involved and enforce compliance therewith.

The duties here set forth are nondelegable by Contractor who shall protect and defend District, its officers, agents and employees in connection therewith. See Subsection 8.02.

5.02 CONTRACTOR'S RESPONSIBILITY

Contractor is under the absolute duty in fulfilling its contractual obligations hereunder to proceed, and cause its subcontractors to proceed, in a safe, workmanlike manner, with adequate safeguards for the protection of the public, the workmen and persons from time to time inspecting the work. If at any time Contractor finds any of its subcontractors are allowing work to proceed in an unsafe manner and contrary to the intent of these Contract Documents, Contractor shall immediately cause such action to stop and immediately take all action necessary to protect workmen, inspectors and the general public and cause the work to proceed in a safe manner.

Contractor shall protect and defend District, its officers, agents and employees in reference to acts or omissions contrary to the above. See particularly Subsection 8.02.

District may withhold funds otherwise due Contractor whenever, in its judgment, this subsection is not being complied with.

5.03 CONTRACTOR'S RESPONSIBILITY FOR WORK

Until the formal acceptance of the work by the District, the Contractor shall have the charge and care thereof and shall bear the risk of injury or damage to any part thereof by the action of the elements or from any other cause, whether arising from the execution or from the non-execution of the work. The Contractor shall rebuild, repair, restore, and make good all injuries or damages to any portion of the work occasioned by any of the above causes before its completion and acceptance and shall bear the expense thereof, except for such injuries or damages as are occasioned by acts of the Federal Government and the public enemy. In case of suspension of

work from any cause whatsoever, the Contractor shall be responsible for all materials and shall properly store them if necessary and shall erect temporary structures where necessary.

5.04 PROPERTY RIGHTS IN MATERIALS

Nothing in the contract shall be construed as vesting in the Contractor any right of property in the materials used after they have been attached or affixed to the work or the soil. All such materials shall become the property of the District upon being so attached or affixed.

5.05 PERMITS AND LICENSES

The Contractor shall procure all permits and licenses pay all charges and fees, and give all notices necessary and incident to the due and lawful prosecution of the work.

5.06 ROYALTIES AND PATENTS

The Contractor shall assume all costs arising from the use of patented materials, equipment, devices, or processes used on or incorporated on the work, and agrees to indemnify and save harmless the Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District, the Board of Supervisors, the Flood Control Engineer, and their duly authorized representatives, from all suits at law, or actions of every nature for, or on account of, the use of any patented materials, equipment, devices, or processes.

5.07 SANITARY PROVISIONS

Necessary conveniences, properly secluded from public observation shall be provided by the Contractor where needed for the use of laborers on the work. Their location, construction and maintenance shall be subject to the approval of the Engineer, and their use shall be strictly enforced. The Contractor shall obey and enforce such sanitary regulations as may be prescribed by the State Department of Health or other authorities having jurisdiction.

5.08 PUBLIC SAFETY

The Contractor at his own expense shall furnish, erect, and maintain such fences, barriers, lights, and signs as are necessary to give adequate warning to the public at all times that the bridges, culverts, and work along public highways are under construction; and of any dangerous conditions to be encountered as a result thereof; and he shall erect such warning and directional signs and employ such flagmen as are required and maintain same throughout the construction period.

Full compensation for the work involved in carrying out the precautionary measures above specified shall be considered as included in the prices paid for the various contract items of work and no additional allowance will be made therefor.

5.09 USE OF EXPLOSIVES

When the use of explosives is necessary for the prosecution of the work, the Contractor shall use the utmost care not to endanger life or property.

All explosives shall be stored in accordance with the provisions of Division II, Part I, Chapter 3, of the Health and Safety Code of the State of California.

5.10 PROVISIONS FOR EMERGENCIES

Unusual conditions may arise on the work which will require that immediate and unusual provisions be made to protect the public from danger or loss or damage to life and property, due directly or indirectly to the prosecution of the work, and it is part of the service required of the Contractor to make such provisions and to furnish such protection.

The Contractor shall use such foresight and shall take such steps and precautions as his operations make necessary to protect the public from danger or damage, or loss of life or property..

5.11 ACCESS TO THE WORK

Access to the work from existing roads shall be provided by the Contractor and maintained in a manner so as not to create a public nuisance. The Board of Supervisors, Flood Control District and Engineer assume no responsibility for the condition or maintenance of any existing road or structure thereon that may be used by the Contractor for performing the work under these specifications and for traveling to and from the site of the work.

5.12 GUARANTEE OF WORK

All work is guaranteed by Contractor for a period of one year from the recordation of the Notice of Completion against defects resulting from the use of inferior materials, equipment, or workmanship. Upon notice from District, Contractor shall promptly remedy such defects at his expense, including payment to District of its expenses in connection with remedying such defects, otherwise District shall proceed to remedy such defects and Contractor shall upon demand reimburse District for its expenses in connection therewith.

The above one year guarantee is in addition to any specific guarantee(s) provided for elsewhere in the Contract Documents.

SECTION VI - PROSECUTION AND PROGRESS

6.01 PROGRESS OF THE WORK

The Contractor shall begin the work upon execution of this agreement and shall diligently and continuously prosecute the same to completion.

6.02 SUBCONTRACTING

Reference is made to the Subletting and Subcontracting Fair Practice Act contained in the Public Contract Code (commencing §4100). By this reference, said Act is incorporated herein with like effect as if it were here set forth in full and the parties shall abide by its terms and substitution shall be only as allowed by that Act.

Contractor shall be responsible for the acts and omissions of its subcontractors and shall make certain that at all times its subcontractors comply with the terms of the Contract Documents and applicable law insofar as such compliance relates to the work.

District reserves the right to approve all subcontractors whether or not they are required to be listed in the Contractor's Proposal. As used in this Section "subcontractor" includes any person who fabricates or manufactures any article for incorporation into the work whether or not they install or test after installation or contract to install or test after installation, but does not include suppliers of fungible goods for incorporation into the work unless such supplier also installs or tests or contracts to install or test.

The Contractor shall give his personal attention to the fulfillment of the contract and shall keep the work under his control. The furnishing and placing of reinforcing steel, when placing is performed by the supplier, will be considered as a Specialty Item for this purpose; however, he shall be designated in the list of subcontractors.

Where a portion of the work which has been subcontracted by the Contractor is not being prosecuted in a manner satisfactory to the District, the subcontractor shall be removed immediately on the requisition of the Engineer and shall not again be employed on the work.

6.03 CHARACTER OF WORKMEN

If any subcontractor or person employed by the Contractor shall fail or refuse to carry out the directions of the Engineer or shall appear to the Engineer to be incompetent or to act in a disorderly or improper manner, he shall be discharged immediately on the requisition of the Engineer, and such person shall not again be employed on this work.

6.04 TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF THE WORK

The Engineer shall have the authority to suspend the work wholly or in part, for such period as he may deem necessary, due to unsuitable weather, or to such other conditions as are considered unfavorable for the suitable prosecution of the work, or for such time as he may deem necessary due to the failure on the part of the Contractor to carry out orders given, or to perform any provision of the contract. The Contractor shall immediately comply with the written order of the Engineer to suspend the work wholly or in part. The work shall be resumed when conditions are favorable and methods are corrected, as ordered or approved in writing by the Engineer.

6.05 ASSIGNMENT

The contract may be assigned only upon written consent of the District. Such written consent to sublet, assign or otherwise dispose of any portion of the contract, shall not be construed to relieve the Contractor of any responsibility for the fulfillment of the contract.

6.06 TERMINATION OF CONTRACT

In the event the Contractor fails to prosecute the work with such diligence as will insure its completion as directed by the District, or Contractor shall fail to make payments to persons supplying labor or materials for the work, or Contractor does not comply with applicable law or instructions of General Manager-Chief Engineer, or Contractor is otherwise guilty of a substantial violation of any provision of the Agreement documents, then the District, without prejudice to such other and further right, remedy or relief it may be entitled to, may terminate the Agreement.

SECTION VII - PAYMENT

7.01 SCOPE OF PAYMENTS

The Contractor shall accept compensation, as herein provided, in full payment for furnishing all materials, labor, tools, and equipment necessary to the completed work and for performing all work contemplated and embraced under the contract; also for loss or damage arising from the nature of the work, or from the action of the elements, except as hereinbefore provided, or from any unforeseen difficulties which may be encountered during the prosecution of the work until the final acceptance by the District; and for all risks of description connected with the prosecution of the work, also for all expenses incurred in consequence of the suspension or discontinuance of the work as herein specified; and for completing the work according to the plans and specifications. Neither the payment of any estimate nor of any retained percentage shall relieve the Contractor of any obligation to make good any defective work or material.

7.01A Measurement and Computation of Quantities - All items of the work to be paid for at a contract price per unit of measurement will be measured by the Engineer in accordance with United States Standard Measures. A ton shall mean 2,000 pounds, avoirdupois. Except as otherwise expressly provided in the specifications, the methods of measurement and computation of quantities of such items will be determined by the Engineer, taking into account the price of the item relative to its quantity and the costs of measurement.

The weights of metalwork, pipe, and other metal parts to be paid for by weight will be determined by the Engineer on the basis of handbook weights, scale weights, or manufacturer's catalog weights, or in the absence of any of the foregoing, on the basis of estimated weights; provided, that weights of nonmetallic coatings will be excluded.

7.01B Payment at Contract Prices - The contract price for an item of the work shall include full compensation for all costs of that item, including the costs of any work, materials and equipment incidental to the item but not specifically shown or described in the drawings and specifications, subject only to such express limitations as may be stated in the specifications defining the item or prescribing payment therefor.

The contract prices shall include full compensation for all costs of any work, materials, and equipment required by the drawings and specifications at the time of contract award, but not covered by a contract price or otherwise expressly made the subject of direct payment.

7.02 PAYMENT AND COMPENSATION FOR ALTERED QUANTITIES

When alterations in plans or quantities of work are ordered and performed, the Contractor shall accept payment in full at the contract unit price for the actual quantities of work done and no allowance will be made for anticipated profits. Increased or decreased work involving supplemental agreements will be paid for as stipulated in such agreements.

7.03 ACCEPTANCE

The work shall be inspected for acceptance by the Engineer promptly upon receipt of notice in writing from the Contractor that the work is ready for such inspection.

The structures will not be finally accepted until the completion of the entire work under the contract.

7.04 DEDUCTIONS FROM PAYMENTS

The Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District, by and through the Board of Supervisors or other appropriate District officer or officers, may at its option and at any time retain out of any amounts due the Contractor sums sufficient to cover any unpaid claims, provided that sworn statements of said claims shall have been filed in the office of the District or in the office of any other District officer or officers having jurisdiction thereover.

7.05 DELAYED PAYMENTS

All the monies due the Contractor under the contract will be paid by demand on the Treasurer of the District, prepared and approved as required by law, and it is understood that any delay in the preparation, approval and payment of these demands will not constitute a breach of contract on the part of the District.

7.06 FINAL PAYMENT

The Engineer, after the completion of the contract, shall make a final estimate in writing of the amount of work done thereunder, and the value of such work, and the District shall pay the entire sum so found to be due after deducting therefrom all previous payments. All prior partial estimates and payment shall be subject to correction in the final estimate and payment. The final payment shall not be due and payable until the expiration of 45 days from the date of acceptance of the work by the District.

It is mutually agreed between the parties to the contract that no certificate given or payments made under the contract, except the final payment, shall be conclusive evidence of the performance of the contract, either wholly or in part against any claim of the party of the first part, and no payment shall be construed to be an acceptance of any defective work or improper materials.

And the Contractor further agrees that the payment of the final amount due under the contract, and the adjustment and payment for any work done in accordance with any alterations of the same, shall release the Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District, the Board of Supervisors, and the Engineer from any and all claims or liability on account of work performed under the contract or any alteration thereof.

7.07 CLAIMS RESOLUTION - CLAIMS UP TO \$375,000

In accordance with Public Contract Code Section 20104 - 20104.8 and other applicable law, public works claims of \$375,000 or less which arise between the Contractor and the District shall be resolved following the statutory procedure.

1. All claims shall be submitted in writing and accompanied by substantiating documentation. Claims must be filed on or before processing of the final payment unless other notice requirements are provided in the contract. "Claim" means a separate demand by the claimant for (1) a time extension, (2) payment of money or damages arising from work done by or on behalf of the claimant and payment of which is not otherwise expressly provided for or the

claimant is not otherwise entitled, or (3) an amount the payment of which is disputed by the District.

(a) Claims under \$50,000. The District shall respond in writing to the claim within 45 days of receipt of the claim, or, the District may request, in writing, within 30 days of receipt of the claim, any additional documentation supporting the claim or relating to defenses or claims the District may have against the claimant. If additional information is needed thereafter, it shall be requested and provided upon mutual agreement of the District and the claimant. The District's written response shall be submitted 15 days after receiving the additional documentation, or within the same period of time taken by the claimant to produce the additional information, whichever is greater.

(b) Claims over \$50,000 but less than or equal to \$375,000. The District shall respond in writing within 60 days of receipt, or, may request in writing within 30 days of receipt of the claim, any additional documents supporting the claim or relating to defenses or claims the District may have against the claimant. If additional information is needed thereafter, it shall be requested and provided pursuant to mutual agreement between the District and the claimant. The District's response shall be submitted within 30 days after receipt of the further documents, or within the same period of time taken by the claimant to produce the additional information or documents, whichever is greater.

2. If the claimant disputes the District's response, or if the District fails to respond within the statutory time period, the claimant may so notify the District within 15 days of the receipt of the District's response or within 15 days of the District's failure to respond within the time prescribed, and demand an informal conference to meet and confer for settlement of the issues in dispute. Upon such demand, the District shall schedule a meet and confer conference within 30 days for settlement of the dispute.

3. If following the meet and confer conference, the claim or any portion thereof remains in dispute, the claimant may file a claim pursuant to Government Code § 900 et seq. and Government Code § 910 et seq. For purposes of those provisions, the time within which a claim must be filed shall be tolled from the time the claimant submits the written claim until the time the claim is denied as a result of the meet and confer process, including any time utilized for the meet and confer conference.

4. If a civil action is filed to resolve any claim, the provisions of Public Contract Code § 20104.4 shall be followed, providing for nonbinding mediation and judicial arbitration.

5. Location for Filing of Claims, Jurisdiction. Any legal action related to the performance of the work or the terms of the Contract Documents shall be filed only in the Superior Court of the State of California located in Riverside, California.

7.9 CLAIMS RESOLUTION - ALL CLAIMS (PUBLIC CONTRACT CODE SECTION 9204)

This section is intended to help resolve disputes between the parties related to this project. Such disputes shall be brought to the attention of the District at the earliest possible time, so that such disputes may be promptly resolved, if possible, or other appropriate action or investigation may be promptly undertaken. Claims must be filed on or before the date of final payment as

required in Public Contract Code Section 20104.2. Public works claims which arise between the Contractor and the District shall be resolved using the following procedure:

A "claim" means a separate demand by the Contractor sent by registered mail or certified mail return receipt requested for one or more of the following: (a) a time extension including, without limitation, for relief from damages or penalties for delay assessed by the District; (b) payment by the District of money or damages arising from work done by or on behalf of the Contractor and payment for which is not otherwise expressly provided or to which the Contractor is not otherwise entitled; (c) payment of an amount that is disputed by the District. The Contractor shall furnish reasonable documentation to support the claim.

A. Form and Contents of Claim(s)

The Contractor shall furnish reasonable documentation to support the Claim, which shall be sent by registered mail or certified mail with return receipt requested to the District at the address provided herein this Section 7.10. The Contractor's written Claim must include, but not limited to, the following:

- 1) A statement to identify that it is a Claim under this Section 7.10, on a company letterhead, and a request for a decision on the Claim;
- 2) A detailed description or narrative of pertinent events, act, error, omission, unforeseen condition, event or other circumstance giving rise to the Claim;
- 3) Citation to contract provisions;
- 4) Theory of entitlement that provides a detailed justification for any remedy or relief sought by the Claim. This includes, but not limited to: a detailed cost breakdown, invoices, material tickets, staff logged time, summary of quantities, other cost records and total cost calculations;
- 5) Complete pricing of all cost impacts;
- 6) A time impact analysis of all time delays that shows actual time impact on the critical path; and
- 7) Documentation, District letters, notifications, related drawings and photos supporting items (1) through (6).

The Claim must be verified under penalty of perjury by Contractor's project superintendent as to the Claim's accuracy, and shall be priced like a Change Order, and must be updated at regular intervals as to cost and entitlement if a continuing Claim. Routine contract materials, for example, correspondence, RFI, Change Order requests, or payment requests shall not constitute a Claim. Contractor shall bear all costs incurred in the preparation and submission of a Claim.

Claims and support documentation related must be sent to:

Mr. Claudio M. Padres
Chief of Design and Construction Division
Riverside County Flood Control
and Water Conservation District
1995 Market Street
Riverside, CA 92501

B. Claims Procedure

- 1) Upon receipt of a Claim and the supporting documentation, the District shall conduct a reasonable review of the Claim and within 45 days, or an extended period as may be set by mutual agreement of the District and Contractor, provide the Contractor with a written statement identifying what portion of the Claim is still disputed and what portion is undisputed.
- 2) Notwithstanding the time period set forth in B.1) above, if the District needs approval from the Board of Supervisors to provide the Contractor with a written statement identifying the disputed portion and the undisputed portion of the Claim, and the Board of Supervisors does not meet within the 45 days or within the mutually agreed to extension of time following receipt of the Claim, the District shall have up to three (3) days following the next duly publicly noticed meeting of the Board of Supervisors after the forty-five (45) day period, or extension, expires to provide Contractor a written statement identifying the disputed portion and the undisputed portion of the Claim.
- 3) Any payment due on the undisputed portion of the Claim under this section shall be processed and made within 60 days after the District issues its written statement. Amounts not paid in a timely manner as required by this Section 7.10 shall bear interest at 7% per annum. If the District fails to issue a written statement, the Claim shall be deemed rejected in its entirety. Failure by the District to respond to a claim from a Contractor within the time periods described in this subdivision or to otherwise meet the time requirements of this section shall result in the claim being deemed rejected in its entirety. A Claim that is denied by reason of the District's failure to have responded to the Claim, or its failure to otherwise meet the time requirements of this section, shall not constitute an adverse finding with regard to the merits of the Claim or the responsibility or qualifications of the Contractor.
- 4) If the Contractor disputes the District's written response, or if the District fails to respond within the time prescribed, the Contractor may demand in writing, sent by registered mail or certified mail return receipt requested, an informal meet and confer conference for settlement of the portion of the Claim in dispute. Upon receipt of the demand, the District shall schedule a meet and confer conference within 30 days.
- 5) Within 10 business days following the conclusion of the meet and confer conference, if the Claim or any portion thereof remains in dispute, the District shall provide the Contractor a written statement identifying the portion of the Claim that remains in dispute and the portion that is undisputed. Any payment due on an undisputed portion shall be processed and made within 60 days after the District issues its written statement. Any disputed portion of the Claim, as identified by the Contractor in writing, shall be submitted to nonbinding mediation, with the District and Contractor sharing the associated costs equally. The District and Contractor shall mutually agree to a mediator within 10 business days after the disputed portion of the Claim has been identified in writing. If the parties cannot

agree upon a mediator, each party shall select a mediator and those mediators shall select a qualified neutral third party to mediate with regard to the disputed portion of the Claim. Each party shall bear the fees and costs charged by its respective mediator in connection with the selection of the neutral mediator.

- 6) For purposes of this section, mediation includes any nonbinding process, including but not limited to, neutral evaluation or a dispute review board, in which an independent third party or board assists the parties in dispute with resolution through negotiation or by issuance of an evaluation. Any mediation utilized shall conform to the timeframes in this section. Unless otherwise agreed to by the District and the Contractor in writing, the mediation conducted pursuant to this Section 7.10 shall excuse any further obligation under Section 20104.4 of the Public Contract Code to mediate after litigation has been commenced.
- 7) If mediation is unsuccessful to resolve all issues, the parts of the Claim remaining in dispute shall be subject to applicable procedures outside of this section and the requirements of Public Contract Code § 9204. The Claim resolution procedures in this Section do not preclude the District from requiring arbitration of disputes under private arbitration or the Public Works Contract Arbitration Program, if mediation under this Article does not resolve the parties' dispute.
- 8) Following the procedures set forth in this Section 7.10, including the mediation, if the Claim or any portion of it remains in dispute, the Contractor may file a Claim as provided in Chapter 1 (commencing with § 900) and Chapter 2 (commencing with § 910) of Part 3 of Division 3.6 of Title 1 of the Government Code.
- 9) If the Government Code claim is denied, Contractor may file an action in court. If a civil action is filed to resolve any claim, such action shall be subject to the provisions of Public Contract Code Sections 9204 or 20104.4 and shall be followed, providing for non-binding mediation and judicial arbitration. This Section applies only to claims subject to Public Contract Code Sections 9204 or 20104. If a claim is not subject to Public Contract Code Sections 9204 or 20104, the Contractor's right to file a civil action shall be as otherwise provided by law.

C. Subcontractor Claim(s)

If a subcontractor or a lower tier subcontractor has a Claim, the Contractor may present to the District a Claim on behalf of a subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor. A subcontractor may request in writing, either on his or her own behalf or on behalf of a lower tier subcontractor, that the Contractor present a Claim for work which was performed by the subcontractor or by a lower tier subcontractor on behalf of the subcontractor. The subcontractor requesting that the Claim be presented to the District shall furnish reasonable documentation as set forth in Section 7.10 to support the Claim. Within 45 days of receipt of this written request, the Contractor shall notify the subcontractor in writing as to whether the Contractor presented the

Claim to the District, and if the Contractor did not present the Claim, provide the subcontractor with a statement of the reasons for not having done so.

D. Consistency with Public Contract Code Sections 9204 and 20104

If any Claim(s) arising under this Contract is subject to the provisions of Public Contract Code Sections 9204 or 20104 et seq. (Div. 2, Part 3, Chapter 1, Article 1.5), and if provisions of those statutory sections require a procedure or procedural element different from that established in this Contract, then the provisions of those statutory sections shall apply in place of the conflicting procedure or procedural element established herein.

E. Any legal action related to the performance of the work or the terms of the Contract Documents shall be filed only in the Superior Court of the State of California located in Riverside, California.

SECTION VIII - GENERAL

8.01 COOPERATION BETWEEN CONTRACTORS

The Contractor shall be required to cooperate fully with all utility and public agency representatives engaged in construction, relocation, altering or otherwise rearranging any facilities interfering with the progress of the work.

Full compensation for any delay or inconvenience to the Contractor's operation due to such operations as described above shall be considered included in the unit price paid for other items of work and no additional allowance will be made therefor.

8.02 INSURANCE - INDEMNIFICATION/HOLD HARMLESS/DEFEND

1. Insurance.

Contractor shall not commence work under this contract until he has obtained the insurance required hereunder and satisfactory proof of said insurance has been submitted to District and has been approved as to form by Riverside County Counsel.

Without limiting or diminishing the Contractor's obligation to indemnify, defend or hold the District harmless, Contractor shall procure and maintain or cause to be maintained, at its sole cost and expense, the following insurance coverages during the term of this Contract. In respects to the requirements for the Project and as further described in this section, the District herein refers to the Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District, the County of Riverside, its Agencies, Districts, Special Districts and Departments, and any municipal corporation or governmental entity in which the work is to be accomplished, their respective directors, officers, Board of Supervisors, governing boards or councils, employees, elected and appointed officials, agents, representatives as Additional Insured.

Workers' Compensation - If the Contractor has employees as defined by the State of California, the Contractor shall maintain statutory Workers' Compensation Insurance (wCoverage A) as prescribed by the laws of the State of California. Policy shall include Employers' Liability (Coverage B) including Occupational Disease with limits not less than

\$1,000,000 per person per accident. The policy shall be endorsed to waive subrogation in favor of the District and County of Riverside.

Commercial General Liability - Commercial General Liability insurance coverage, including but not limited to, premises liability, contractual liability, products and completed operations liability, personal and advertising injury, cross liability coverage and employment practices liability, covering claims which may arise from or out of Contractor's performance of its obligations hereunder. Policy shall name the District, all Agencies, Districts, Special Districts, and Departments of the County of Riverside, together with their respective directors, officers, Board of Supervisors, employees, elected or appointed officials, agents or representatives as Additional Insureds. Policy's limit of liability shall not be less than **\$2,000,000** per occurrence combined single limit. If such insurance contains a general aggregate limit, it shall apply separately to this agreement or be no less than two (2) times the occurrence limit.

Vehicle Liability - If Contractor's vehicles or mobile equipment are used in the performance of the obligations under this Agreement, then Contractor shall maintain liability insurance for all owned, non-owned or hired vehicles so used in an amount not less than **\$1,000,000** per occurrence combined single limit. If such insurance contains a general aggregate limit, it shall apply separately to this agreement or be no less than two (2) times the occurrence limit. Policy shall name the District, all Agencies, Districts, Special Districts, and Departments of the County of Riverside, together with their respective directors, officers, Board of Supervisors, employees, elected or appointed officials, agents or representatives as Additional Insureds.

Pollution and Asbestos Liability - If hazardous material is encountered during construction, the Project Manager must be notified immediately, and if any work is done to remove it, any Contractor performing work shall obtain and keep in effect during the term of their contract with Contractor, Pollution Liability Insurance, including Asbestos Liability Insurance, covering the subcontractor's liability for bodily injury, property damage, and environmental damage resulting from "sudden accidental" or "gradual" pollution and related cleanup costs incurred by the subcontractor, all arising out of the work or services (including the transportation risk, when applicable) to be performed under this contract. Combined single limit per occurrence shall not be less than **\$2,000,000**, or the equivalent. Annual aggregate limit shall not be less than **\$4,000,000**.

If the Contractor maintains broader coverage and/or higher limits than the minimums shown above, the District requires and shall be entitled to the broader coverage and/or higher limits maintained by the Contractor. Any available insurance proceeds in excess of the specified minimum limits of insurance and coverage shall be available to the District.

General Insurance Provisions - All lines -

a) Any insurance carrier providing insurance coverage hereunder shall be admitted to the State of California and have an A.M. Best rating of not less than A: VIII (A:8) unless such requirements are waived, in writing, by the District Risk Manager. If the District's Risk Manager waives a requirement for a particular insurer such waiver is only valid for that specific insurer and only for one policy term.

b) The Contractor's insurance carrier(s) must declare its insurance deductibles or self-insured retentions. If such deductibles or self-insured retentions exceed \$500,000 per occurrence such deductibles and/or retentions shall have the prior written consent of the District's Risk Manager before the commencement of operations under this Agreement. Upon notification

of deductibles or self-insured retentions unacceptable to the District, and at the election of the District's Risk Manager, Contractor's carriers shall either, 1) reduce or eliminate such deductibles or self-insured retentions as respects this Agreement with the District, or 2) procure a bond which guarantees payment of losses and related investigations, claims administration, and defense costs and expenses.

c) Contractor shall cause Contractor's insurance carrier(s) to furnish the District with either 1) a properly executed original Certificate(s) of Insurance and certified original copies of Endorsements effecting coverage as required herein, or 2) if requested to do so orally or in writing by the District's Risk Manager, provide original certified copies of policies including all Endorsements and all attachments thereto, showing such insurance is in full force and effect. Further, said Certificate(s) and policies of insurance shall contain the covenant of the insurance carrier(s) that 30 days written notice shall be given to the District prior to any material modification, cancellation, expiration or reduction in coverage of such insurance. In the event of a material modification, cancellation, expiration, or reduction in coverage, this Agreement shall terminate forthwith, unless the District receives, prior to such effective date, another properly executed original Certificate of Insurance and original copies of endorsements or certified original policies, including all endorsements and attachments thereto evidencing coverages set forth herein and the insurance required herein is in full force and effect. Contractor ***shall not commence operations until the District has been furnished original Certificate(s) of Insurance and certified original copies of endorsements or policies of insurance including all endorsements and any and all other attachments as required in this Section. An individual authorized by the insurance carrier to do so on its behalf shall sign the original endorsements for each policy and the Certificate of Insurance.***

d) It is understood and agreed to by the parties hereto and the insurance company(s), that the Certificate(s) of Insurance and policies shall so covenant and shall be construed as primary insurance, and the District's insurance and/or deductibles and/or self-insured retentions or self-insured programs shall not be construed as contributory.

e) The District's Reserved Rights--Insurance. If, during the term of this Agreement or any extension thereof, there is a material change in the scope of services; or, there is a material change in the equipment to be used in the performance of the scope of work (such as the use of aircraft or watercraft), the District reserves the right to adjust the types of insurance required under this Agreement and the monetary limits of liability for the insurance coverages currently required herein, if, in the District's Risk Manager's reasonable judgment, the amount or type of insurance carried by the Contractor has become inadequate.

f) Contractor shall pass down the insurance obligations contained herein to all tiers of subcontractors working under this Agreement.

g) The insurance requirements contained in this Agreement may be met with a program(s) of self-insurance acceptable to the District.

h) Said insurance must contain an endorsement that District, County of Riverside, and any municipal corporation or governmental entity in which the work is to be accomplished, are named as an additional insured as respects the work covered hereunder. Said insurance must not contain, as respects the work covered hereunder, any exclusions as to bodily injury or death or property damage arising out of blasting, explosion, or underground damage to wire, pipes, conduits, mains, sewers, tank tunnels or any similar property, i.e., the so-called "x c u" exclusions. The insurance certificate evidencing such insurance must affirmatively state that the insurance carrier(s) will give District 30 days written notice prior to cancellation of the insurance or a reduction in coverage; must state that the "x c u" exclusions are waived or do not exist in the policy(s); and that District, County of Riverside, and any municipal corporation in which the work is to be accomplished, are named as an additional insured as respects the work covered hereunder.

The cost of this insurance shall be included in the prices bid for the various items of work and no additional compensation will be made therefor.

2. Indemnification - Hold Harmless and Defend.

Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless the District, County of Riverside, and any municipal corporation or governmental entity in which the work is to be accomplished, together with its Agencies, Districts, Special Districts and Departments, their respective directors, officers, Board of Supervisors, elected and appointed officials, employees, agents and representatives (individually and collectively hereinafter referred to as Indemnitees) from any liability whatsoever, based or asserted upon any acts, omissions or services of Contractor, its officers, employees, subcontractors, agents or representatives arising out of or in any way relating to this Contract, relating to or in any way connected with or arising from the accomplishment of the work, whether or not in furtherance of the work, including but not limited to property damage, bodily injury, or death or any other element of any kind or nature whatsoever arising from the performance of Contractor, its officers, employees, subcontractors, agents or representatives Indemnitors from this Contract. Contractor shall defend, at its sole expense, all costs and fees including, but not limited, to attorney fees, cost of investigation, defense and settlements or awards, the Indemnitees in any claim or action based upon such alleged acts or omissions.

With respect to any action or claim subject to indemnification herein by Contractor, Contractor shall, at their sole cost, have the right to use counsel of their own choice and shall have the right to adjust, settle, or compromise any such action or claim without the prior consent of the District; provided, however, that any such adjustment, settlement or compromise in no manner whatsoever limits or circumscribes Contractor's indemnification to Indemnitees as set forth herein.

Contractor's obligation hereunder shall be satisfied when Contractor has provided to District the appropriate form of dismissal relieving the Indemnitees from any liability for the action or claim involved.

The specified insurance limits required in this Agreement shall in no way limit or circumscribe Contractor's obligations to indemnify and hold harmless the Indemnitees herein from third party claims.

In the event there is conflict between this clause and California Civil Code Section 2782, this clause shall be interpreted to comply with Civil Code 2782. Such interpretation shall not relieve the Contractor from indemnifying the Indemnitees to the fullest extent allowed by law.

3. Obligations.

The obligations assumed by Contractor cover all obligations set forth in this Subsection and elsewhere in the Contract Documents, such as Subsections 5.01, 5.02, 5.05, 5.06, 5.08, 5.09, 5.10, 10.01, and 10.02.

8.03 PUBLIC UTILITIES

The locations of all pipelines, power lines, communication lines and other utility components known to District to exist within the limits of the work, are indicated on the drawings and may be the subject of a specific Special Provision(s). Size, location and characteristics of such

utilities is based upon information made available to District - primarily from the owner of the utility in question. The exactness of such information is not guaranteed but may be assumed to have been accomplished with reasonable accuracy.

In addition to the drawings and any such provision regarding utilities, Contractor is under a duty to take into account the location of service laterals or other appurtenances which can be inferred from the presence of facilities such as buildings, meters and junction boxes in or about the limits of the work.

Unless otherwise directed by the Contract Documents, all existing utilities - where shown or described or not - shall be left in place and Contractor must conduct its operations so that such utilities are protected from damage at all times during the course of the work and the work must be accomplished so as to give such utilities proper protection and support upon completion of the work by Contractor.

If during the course of the work, Contractor discovers underground utility components not indicated in the drawings, the Special Provisions or elsewhere in the Contract Documents, Contractor must immediately notify, in writing, the Engineer and the utility company (public or private) involved, stating with exactness the condition found.

When Contractor encounters a utility not shown or described in the Contract Documents, Contractor shall cease all work which would disturb such utility and its support until given specific instructions as to how to proceed regarding such utility by Engineer

8.04 PROTECTION OF EXISTING STREET FACILITIES

The Contractor shall be responsible for the protection of existing signs, fences, concrete curbs, gutters and other facilities which may be encountered. The replacement or repair of any facilities which the District deems necessary as a result of the Contractor's operations shall be done by the Contractor at his own expense and to the satisfaction of the Engineer.

Excavation within the street right of way shall be conducted in a manner to cause the least interruption to traffic. Where traffic must cross open trenches, the Contractor shall provide suitable bridges at street intersections and driveways. Hydrants under pressure, valve pipe covers, valve boxes, curb stop boxes, fire or police call boxes, or other utility controls shall be left unobstructed and accessible during construction.

8.05 DUST ABATEMENT

During the performance of all work included in the contract, the Contractor shall take the necessary precautions to save the District free and harmless from any loss or damage resulting from his operations that raise or produce dust in such amounts that will be objectionable, and/or cause damage to adjacent property or property owners.

The Contractor will be required to have a positive and continuous method of dust control which is satisfactory to the Engineer. The methods to be used for controlling dust in the construction area and along haul roads shall be approved by the Engineer prior to starting any of the work included in the contract. All costs incidental to dust control shall be included in the unit prices paid for other items of work in the schedule.

SECTION IX - WATERING

9.01 DESCRIPTION

This work shall consist of developing a water supply for all water required for the work. The application of the water shall be under the control of the Engineer at all times and shall be applied in the amounts and at the locations approved by the Engineer.

Where water is required, At least one mobile unit of at least 1,000-gallon capacity for applying water shall be available on the project at all times.

Water for compacting embankment material and for laying dust shall be applied by means of pressure-type distributors or pipelines equipped with a spray system or hoses with nozzles that will ensure a uniform application of water.

No separate payment or additional allowances will be made for this work and all costs in connection therewith will be considered as included in other items in the schedule.

SECTION X - PUBLIC CONVENIENCE, TRAFFIC CONTROL AND DETOURS

10.01 GENERAL

The Contractor shall so conduct his operations as to offer the least possible obstruction and inconvenience to the public and he shall have under construction no greater length or amount of work than he can prosecute properly with due regard to the rights of the public.

Unless otherwise provided in the Special Provisions, all public traffic shall be permitted to pass through the work with as little inconvenience and delay as possible.

Spillage resulting from hauling operations along or across any public traveled way shall be removed immediately at the Contractor's expense.

Construction operations shall be conducted in such a manner as to cause as little inconvenience as possible to abutting property owners.

Convenient access to driveways, houses and buildings along the line of work shall be maintained and temporary approaches to crossings or intersecting highways shall be provided and kept in good condition.

10.02 SIGNS

It shall be the responsibility of the Contractor to provide and maintain all lights, barricades and signs, both on and off the site of work, as required by the Engineer, and all such devices shall be of a type approved by him.

If, in any case, the Engineer finds it necessary to replace, add to or erect said barricades, signs, or lights, when the Contractor fails to do so when informed, the Contractor shall be billed for all costs thereof including a daily rental fee for signs.

No separate payment, unless otherwise provided for under the Special Provisions, will be made for traffic control and detour signing and all costs incidental to these items shall be included in the unit prices paid for other items of work.

10.03 MATERIALS STORAGE

Storing or stockpiling of excavated material, imported backfill material or construction materials on any street or highway will not be permitted except as approved in writing by the Engineer.
