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FINE GRADING

Fine Grading is the work necessary to bring the subgrade material into the final shape and compacted condition prescribed in the Contract documents. The area considered for Fine Grading is defined in **Section 208** of the 2007 SCDOT Standard Specifications.

To clarify the area for the item Fine Grading, modify the following subsections in **Section 208** as indicated below.

Subsection 208.4.3 Fine Grading

Delete the third paragraph and replace it with the following:

- 3 Fine Grading is defined as the work necessary to bring the subgrade material into the final shape and compacted condition prescribed in the Contract documents. The subgrade surface area paid for as Fine Grading is only the area under the permanent pavement structure plus 18 inch beyond the longitudinal edge of the permanent pavement structure. Except for the additional 18 inches beyond the permanent pavement structure, the area under existing pavement that remains in place, unpaved shoulders, driveways, curbs, gutters, sidewalks, multi-use paths, temporary pavement, and slopes is not included in the Fine Grading area.

Subsection 208.5 Measurement

Delete the first and second paragraphs and replace them with the following:

- 1 The quantity for the pay item Fine Grading is the surface area of the subgrade that is constructed and prepared for the intended pavement structure as defined in paragraph 3 of **Subsection 208.4.3** and is measured by the square yard (SY), complete, and accepted. The bid quantity will be considered the full amount to be paid unless work requiring fine grading is deleted, or additional work is added to the project that was not required by the original bid documents.
- 2 If the pay item Fine Grading is not included in the Contract, subgrade work is not measured for payment directly and is considered included in contract unit bid price of the various other items of work. When Fine Grading is included in the Contract, the subgrade work for areas under previously existing pavement, unpaved shoulders, driveways, curbs, gutters, sidewalks, temporary pavement, and slopes is not measured for payment directly and is considered included in contract unit bid price of the various other items of work.