

SECTION 101**DEFINITIONS AND TERMS****101.01 BLANK****101.02 ADDENDUM**

- A. A supplemental addition or deletion to the contract documents prior to the advertised bid opening.

101.03 ADVERTISEMENT

- A. The public announcement, as required by law, inviting bids for work to be performed or materials to be furnished.

101.04 ASSESSMENT ACT CONTRACT

- A. A contract financed by special assessments authorized under, or implemented by, an act of the Legislature of the State or procedural ordinance of a City or the County.

101.05 AWARD

- A. The acceptance by the Contracting Agency of a bid. Refer to Subsection [103.02](#).

101.06 BASE COURSE

- A. The layer or layers of specified or selected material of designated thickness on a sub-base or a subgrade to support a surface course.

101.07 BIDDER

- A. An individual, partnership, firm, corporation, or any acceptable combination thereof, or joint venture, submitting a bid for the advertised work.

101.08 BOARD

- A. The officer or body constituting the awarding authority for the Contracting Agency.

101.09 BRIDGE

- A. A structure, including supports, erected over a depression or an obstruction, as water, highway, or railway, and having a track or passageway for carrying traffic or other moving loads and having a length measured along the center of roadway of more than 20 feet between under copings of abutments or extreme ends of openings for multiple boxes.
- B. **Length:** The length of a bridge structure is the overall length measured along the line of survey stationing back to back of back walls of abutments, if present, otherwise end to end of the bridge floor; but in no case less than the total clear opening of the structure.
- C. **Roadway Width:** The clear width measured at right angles to the longitudinal centerline of the bridge between the bottom of curbs or guard timbers or in the case of multiple height of curbs, between the bottoms of the lower risers and in the case of no curbs or guard timbers, between the inner faces of parapet or railing at the bottom.

101.10 CALENDAR DAY

- A. Every day shown on the calendar.

101.11 CONTRACT CHANGE ORDER OR FIELD CHANGE ORDER

- A. A written order issued by the Engineer or Contracting Agency as provided in the contract documents, to the Contractor, covering changes in the plans, specifications or quantities or both, within the scope of the contract and establishing the basis of payment and time adjustments for the work affected by the change.

101.12 CHANNEL

- A. A natural or artificial water course.

101.13 CONTRACT

- A. The written agreement between the Contracting Agency and the Contractor setting forth the obligations of the parties thereunder, including, but not limited to the performance of the work, the furnishing of labor and materials, and the basis of payment.
- B. The contract includes the invitation for bids, proposal, contract form and contract bond, standard specifications, supplemental specifications, special provisions, general and detailed plans, notice to proceed, and any addenda, change orders, and supplemental agreements that are required to complete the construction of the work in an acceptable manner, including authorized extensions and basis of payment thereof, all of which constitute one instrument.

101.14 CONTRACTING AGENCY

- A. The party of the first part to a contract which may be any of the following entities: Boulder City, Nevada; City of Henderson, Nevada; City of Las Vegas, Nevada; City of North Las Vegas, Nevada; City of Mesquite, Nevada; Las Vegas Valley Water District, Las Vegas, Nevada; Clark County Water Reclamation District, Las Vegas, Nevada; Southern Nevada Water Authority, Las Vegas, Nevada; Clark County Regional Flood Control District, Las Vegas, Nevada; Regional Transportation Commission of Southern Nevada, Las Vegas, Nevada; and Clark County, Nevada.

101.15 CONTRACT ITEM (PAY ITEM)

- A. An item of work specifically described and for which a price, either Unit or Lump Sum, is provided. It includes the performance of all work and the furnishing of all labor, equipment, and materials described in the text of a specific item included in the contract or described in the Standard Specifications, Supplemental Specifications, or Special Provisions of the contract. Contract items are numbered so that the first three digits of the item number corresponds to the section of the same number. Thus, in Item No. 203.01, which is the item number for roadway excavation, the number 203 is the section number and corresponds to Section [203](#) of the Standard Specifications, Supplemental Specifications and Special Provisions.
- B. Each contract item shall be constructed under the specifications contained in the section of the same number, i.e., the number preceding the aforementioned last two digits.

101.16 CONTRACTOR

- A. The person, firm, partnership, corporation, permittee, subdivider, or other entity who has entered into a contract or agreement with the Contracting Agency. Where work is done under permit issued by the Contracting Agency, the permittee shall be construed to be the Contractor. Also, a subdivider who does land development and other work under contract with the Contracting Agency.

101.17 CONTRACT TIME

- A. The number of days allowed for completion of the contract, including authorized time extensions.

101.18 CULVERT

- A. Any structure not classified as a bridge which provides an opening under the roadway.

101.19 DETOUR

- A. A temporary route for traffic around a closed portion of road.

101.20 DIVIDED HIGHWAY

- A. A highway with separated roadways for traffic in opposite directions.

101.21 DRAWINGS

- A. That part of the Contract Documents prepared or approved by the Contracting Agency which graphically shows the scope, intent, and character of the Work to be performed by the Contractor. Shop Drawings and other Contractor submittals are not Drawings as so defined.

101.22 EMPLOYEE

- A. Any person working on the project mentioned in the contract of which these specifications are a part, and who is under the direction and control, or received compensation from the Contractor or the Contractor's subcontractor.

101.23 ENGINEER

- A. The Chief Engineer of the Contracting Agency or other person designated by the Board acting directly and through the Chief Engineer's duly authorized representative.

101.24 EQUIPMENT

- A. All machinery and equipment, together with the necessary supplies for upkeep and maintenance, also tools and apparatus necessary for the proper construction and acceptable completion of the work.

101.25 EXTRA WORK

- A. An item of work not provided for in the contract as awarded, but found essential by the Contracting Agency to the satisfactory completion of the contract within its intended scope.

101.26 FRONTAGE ROAD OR FRONTAGE STREET

- A. A local street or road auxiliary to and located generally on the side of an arterial highway for service to abutting property and adjacent areas and for control of access.

101.27 GUARANTEE BOND

- A. The approved form of security executed by the Contractor and the Contractor's surety or sureties guaranteeing the work against defect and failures.

101.28 HIGHWAY

- A. A general term denoting a public way for purposes of vehicular travel, including the entire area within the right-of-way.

101.29 HOLIDAYS

- A. Any day established by law or agreed as a holiday for employees of the Contracting Agency.

101.30 HYDRAULIC CEMENT

- A. An inorganic material or a mixture of inorganic materials that sets and hardens by chemical reaction with water by formation of hydrates, and is capable of doing so under water.

101.31 INSPECTOR

- A. The Engineer's or Contracting Agency's authorized representative assigned to make detailed inspections of contract performance.

101.32 INTERAGENCY QUALITY ASSURANCE COMMITTEE (IQAC)

- A. An ad hoc multi-jurisdictional and agency committee established for the purpose of simplifying the material approval process and promoting the consistent enforcement of the Uniform Standard Specifications and Drawings, Clark County Area, Nevada.

101.33 LABORATORY

- A. The testing laboratory of the Contracting Agency or of any other testing laboratory which may be designated by the Engineer.

101.34 MAJOR CONTRACT ITEM

- A. A "Major Item" shall be construed to be any individual bid item included in the proposal that has a total cost equal to or greater than \$50,000 or 5 percent of the total contract cost, whichever is the lesser amount. The total contract cost shall be computed on the basis of the proposal quantities and contract unit prices.

101.35 MATERIALS

- A. Any substances specified for use in the construction of the project and its appurtenances.

101.36 MEDIAN

- A. That portion of a divided highway separating the travel ways for traffic, generally in opposite directions.

101.37 NOTICE TO BIDDERS

- A. The official notice inviting bids for the proposed work or materials.

101.38 NOTICE TO PROCEED

- A. A written notice to the Contractor to proceed with the contract work including, when applicable, the date of beginning of contract time.

101.39 PAVEMENT STRUCTURE

- A. The combination of base course and surface course placed on a subgrade to support the traffic load and distribute it to the roadbed.

101.40 LABOR AND MATERIAL PAYMENT BOND

- A. The approved form of security executed by the Contractor and the Contractor's surety or sureties to guarantee the payment of persons furnishing materials or persons performing labor under the contract.

101.41 PERFORMANCE BOND

- A. The approved form of security executed by the Contractor and the Contractor's surety or sureties to guarantee the faithful performance of all work under said contract within the prescribed time limit and that materials and workmanship will be free from original or developed defects.

101.42 PLANS

- A. The approved project plans and Standard Drawings, profiles, typical cross sections, and supplemental drawings, or exact reproductions thereof, which show the location, character, dimensions, and details of the work to be performed. All such documents are to be considered as a part of the plans whether or not noted in the Special Provisions.
- B. In the above definition, the following terms are defined as follows:
1. Standard Drawings - The Standard Drawings of the Contracting Agency.
 2. Project Drawings - The Project Drawings are specific details and dimensions peculiar to the work and are supplemented by the Standard Drawings insofar as the same may apply.

101.43 PROFILE GRADE

- A. The trace of a vertical plane intersecting the top surface of the proposed structural section as shown on the plans. Profile grade means either elevation or gradient of such trace according to the context.

101.44 PROJECT

- A. The specific improvement to be constructed together with all appurtenances and construction to be performed thereon at the prices quoted.

101.45 PROPOSAL

- A. The offer of a bidder, on the prescribed form, to perform the work and to furnish the labor and materials at the prices quoted.

101.46 PROPOSAL FORM

- A. The approved form on which the Contracting Agency requires bids to be prepared and submitted for the work.

101.47 PROPOSAL GUARANTEE

- A. The security furnished with a bid to guarantee that the bidder will enter into the contract if bidder's bid is accepted.

101.48 QUALITY ASSURANCE (QA)

- A. Planned and systematic operations conducted to ensure that the operations and/or product meets specifications. QA encompasses the Engineer's review and oversight of the Contractor's "Quality Control"; verifying the results of "Quality Control"; and inspecting for conformance to plans and specifications. QA is the responsibility of the "Engineer."

101.49 QUALITY CONTROL (QC)

- A. Planned and specified operations necessary to construct items that will meet the requirements for quality and performance as specified. QC includes, but should not be limited to controlling the quality of raw materials, produced materials assemblies, components, finished product, and construction process. QC is the responsibility of the "Contractor."

101.50 RIGHT-OF-WAY OR EASEMENT

- A. A general term denoting land, property, or interest therein, usually in a strip, acquired for or devoted to a highway or other improvements.

101.51 ROAD

- A. A general term denoting a public way for purposes of vehicular travel, including the entire area within the right-of-way.

101.52 ROADBED

- A. The graded portion of a highway within top and side slopes, prepared as a foundation for the pavement structure and shoulders.

101.53 ROADSIDE

- A. A general term denoting the area adjoining the outer edge of the roadway. Extensive areas between the roadways of a divided highway may also be considered roadside.

101.54 ROADSIDE DEVELOPMENT

- A. Those items necessary to the complete improvement which provides for the preservation of landscape materials and features; the rehabilitation and protection against erosion of all areas disturbed by construction through seeding, sodding, mulching, and the placing of other ground covers; such suitable planting and other improvements as may increase the effectiveness and enhance the appearance of the improvement.

101.55 ROADWAY

- A. The portion of a highway within limits of construction.

101.56 SHOULDER

- A. The portion of the roadway contiguous with the traveled way for accommodation of stopped vehicles, for emergency use, and for lateral support of base and surface courses.

101.57 SIDEWALK

- A. That portion of the roadway primarily constructed for the use of pedestrians.

101.58 SPECIAL PROVISIONS

- A. Additions and revisions to the standard and supplemental specifications covering conditions peculiar to an individual project.

101.59 SPECIFICATIONS

- A. The directions, provisions, and requirements contained in the Standard Specifications and supplemental specifications as modified by the Special Provisions. Whenever the term "these specifications" is used in this book, it means the provisions set forth in this book.

101.60 STREET

- A. A general term denoting a public way for purposes of vehicular travel, including the entire area within the right-of-way.

101.61 SUBCONTRACTOR

- A. Any individual, firm, or corporation to whom the Contractor, with the consent of the Contracting Agency, sublets any part of the contract.

101.62 SUBGRADE

- A. The top of a roadbed upon which the base courses and/or the pavement structure and shoulders are constructed.

101.63 SUBSTRUCTURE

- A. All of that part of the structure below the bearings of simple and continuous spans, skewbacks or arches, and tops of footings or rigid frames, together with backwall, wingwalls, and wing protection railings.

101.64 SUPERINTENDENT

- A. The Contractor's authorized representative in responsible charge of the work, present on the work at all times during the progress to supervise and direct the construction, to receive and fulfill instructions from the Engineer, and to accept orders for changed and extra work.

101.65 SUPERSTRUCTURE

- A. The entire structure except the substructure.

101.66 SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT

- A. A written agreement within the scope of the project made and entered into by and between the Contractor and the Contracting Agency covering work not otherwise provided for, revisions in or amendments to the terms of the contract, or conditions specifically

prescribed in the specifications as requiring supplemental agreements. Such supplemental agreements become a part of the contract when approved and properly executed.

101.67 SUPPLEMENTAL SPECIFICATIONS

- A. Additions and revisions to the Standard Specifications that are approved subsequent to the issuance of the published specifications.

101.68 SURETY

- A. The corporation, partnership, or individual, other than the Contractor, executing a bond furnished by the Contractor.

101.69 SURFACE COURSE

- A. The top layer of an improvement.

101.70 TRAFFIC LANE

- A. The portion of a traveled way for the movement of a single line of vehicles.

101.71 TRAVELED WAY

- A. That portion of roadway for the movement of vehicles, exclusive of shoulders and auxiliary lanes.

101.72 UTILITY

- A. Tracks, overhead or underground wires, pipelines, conduits, ducts, or structures, sewers, or storm drains owned, operated, or maintained in or across a public right-of-way or private easement.

101.73 WORK

- A. Work will mean furnishing all labor, materials, equipment, and other incidentals necessary or convenient to the successful completion of the project and the carrying out of all of the duties and obligations as imposed by the contract.

101.74 WORKING DAY

- A. A day on which weather and other conditions not under the control of the Contractor will permit construction operations to proceed for the major part of the day (5 hours) with the normal working force engaged in performing the controlling item or items of work which would be in progress at that time, exclusive, however, of Saturdays, Sundays, holidays, and any day that is incumbent upon the Contractor, by means of a labor union, to observe as a holiday. However, if the Contractor elects to work on such days, those days will be considered as a working day.
- B. Attention is directed to Subsections [108.04](#), "Limitation of Operations," and [108.08](#), "Determination and Extension of Contract Time."

101.75 WORKING DRAWINGS

- A. Stress sheets, shop drawings, erection plans, falsework plans, framework plans, cofferdam plans, bending diagrams for reinforcing steel, or any other supplementary plans

or similar data which the Contractor is required to submit to the Engineer for approval. Working Drawings are not part of the Contract Documents.

- B. In order to avoid cumbersome and confusing repetition of expressions in these specifications, it is provided that whenever anything is, or is to be, done, if, as, or, when, or where "contemplated, required, determined, directed, specified, authorized, ordered, given, designated, indicated, considered necessary, deemed necessary, permitted, reserved, suspended, established, approval, approved, disapproved, acceptable, unacceptable suitable, accepted, satisfactory, unsatisfactory, sufficient, insufficient, rejected, or condemned," it shall be understood as if the expression were followed by the words "by the Contracting Agency."