SECTION 544 CRASH CUSHIONS

544-1 Description.

Install redirective crash cushions as shown in the Plans. Redirective crash cushions are safety devices with capabilities to redirect the impacting vehicle along the full length of the device.

544-2 Approved Product List (APL).

Use crash cushions listed on the APL. Manufacturers seeking approval must submit and meet all crash testing requirements of the National Cooperative Highway Research Program Report 350 (NCHRP 350) or the Manual for Assessing Safety Hardware 2009 (MASH-09). Any new or revised highway safety hardware review request submitted to and received by FHWA after January 1, 2011 shall meet all crash test requirements of MASH-09.

544-3 Construction.

Handle and install manufactured materials or articles in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions and the Design Standards.

Delineate crash cushions with a Type 1 Object Markers in accordance with Section 705. As an alternative, the Contractor may install Type III, Type IV or Type VII reflective sheeting on the nose of the crash cushion in accordance with Section 994 and the APL drawings.

Perform repairs necessary due to defective material, work, or operations without additional cost to the Department.

Restore crash cushions damaged by the traveling public after the installation is completed, accepted and serving its intended purpose on an open section of bridge or roadway within 24 hours.

544-4 Compensation.

Price and payment will be full compensation for the complete system or module in place and accepted, including object marker or sheeting.

Relocation of an existing crash cushion to a permanent location called for in the Plans will be paid for at the Contract unit price for relocating existing systems. Price and payment will be full compensation for relocating and reinstalling the system in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions and the Design Standards.

Payment will be made under:

Item No. 544-74- Relocate Crash Cushion - each.

Item No. 544-75- Crash Cushion - each.