## 1070100 LITTER REMOVAL AND MOWING SPECIFICATION

## COMMENTS AND RESPONSES FROM INTERNAL/INDUSTRY REVIEW

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Comments: (Industry, 12/18/20)

The changes to the spec for litter removal and mowing now allow mowing contractors to mow Landscape Areas under establishment period (2 years) potentially causing an overlap of contractors, an overlap of payment for mowing, and also an overlap in responsibility/liability between contractors. How can you prevent/rectify a situation in which a mowing contractor mows or damages landscape material or trees that are under the care of a separate landscape contractor who is responsible for care and establishment (and replacement) of plant material/trees?

Response: The litter removal and mowing locations/limits will be shown in the Contract Documents; these may be adjusted by the Engineer (with no deduction in payment). Division 1 specifications address coordination between multiple contractors in the same area. No change made to proposed specification.

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Comments: (Industry, 1/5/21)

107-1: It does not seem fair to delete language excluding litter removal in inaccessible areas. How can the contractor be responsible for areas which have been previously deemed inaccessible? 2. 107-3: The new method of measurement quantity language is confusing in two ways. First the cycle measurement is revised "quantity to be paid will be the project area shown in contract documents". Will the total area calculation shown in plans be paid every cycle regardless of area actually performed? Second "no adjustment will be made to project area quantity". Is the department proposing to not pay over the plan quantity. The new method of measurement language seems more confusing and may contentious than the existing language. Measuring and payment based on length and width is the most fair.

Response: The litter removal and mowing locations/limits will be shown in the Contract Documents, and may be adjusted by the Engineer. The intent of the change was to provide full payment, without deductions, for the completed litter and/or mowing cycle, even if portions are inaccessible due to rain/ponding, contractor's work areas, or other temporarily blocked areas.

Yes, the TOTAL AREA shown in the plans will be used, without deductions/adjustments.

We did not use the term "plan quantity", as the number of cycles may affect the overall payment amount.

The intent of the change is to simplify the quantities and payment by reducing minor adjustments for
each cycle. It benefits the contractor with fewer deductions. It benefits the Department with fewer
measurements.

No change made to the proposed specification.	
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