

6350202 PULL, SPLICE, AND JUNCTION BOXES
COMMENTS FROM INTERNAL/INDUSTRY REVIEW

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Comments: (5-19-15)

I have one comment...

635.2.2.4 Fabrication: I recommend adding a sentence requiring covers to be non-slip. Something along the line of:

635-2.2.4 Fabrication: Provide box covers constructed of concrete, polymer concrete, ~~cast iron~~ or other materials meeting the requirements of this Section. ~~Provide cast iron covers meeting the requirements of ASTM A48, Class 20. Surface of box covers shall have a texture or pattern that remains non-slip when wet.~~

Response: The specification was only intended to remove cast iron covers. If you have a concern on the surface texture it should be proposed in another revision. Thank you for your comments, no changes made.

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My comment is regarding the removal of existing pull boxes and that these should be incidental to the clearing & grubbing pay item. Many of our jobs (ITS, Signals, Lighting) do not have a clearing and grubbing pay item. Why couldn't we use the pull box removal pay item?

Response: The removal of an existing pull boxes is always associated with other work at that location. The Department has never used a pull box removal pay item and feel its removal should be incidental to other work. The change will be modified to remove the reference to including it in clearing and grubbing and just state that no separate payment will be made. Thank you for your comment. See change made.

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635-7 - Including the removal of pull boxes under clearing and grubbing may be an issue. Typically on most standalone signal projects that I have seen the pay item is not used. Please consider language similar to "When included in the contract include the cost of removal in the contract unit price for clearing and grubbing. When clearing and grubbing is not included in the contract include the cost under the items below." If not you may want to include instructions in the BOE that C & G must be included in the Contract when calling for pull box removal. Suggest removing "The Contractor Shall" from 2 locations. Suggest removing "except grounding".

Thanks for the change to 635-2.2.4 Removal of the Metal Lid requirements has been a long time coming and will eliminate the need for a plan note used for a long time.

Response: See response to Comment No. 2. Thank you for your comments.
