



Florida Department of Transportation

RON DESANTIS
GOVERNOR

605 Suwannee Street
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0450

JARED W. PERDUE, P.E.
SECRETARY

September 8, 2026

Daniel Holt, PE, PTOE
Director, Project Delivery
Director, Technical Services
FHWA
400 West Washington Street, Suite 4200
Orlando, FL 32801

Re: State Specifications Office
Section: 436
Proposed Specification: **4360203 Trench Drain**

Dear Mr. Holt:

We are submitting, for your approval, two copies of the above referenced Supplemental Specification.

The changes are proposed by Karen Byram to add Grates and APL designation to align with proposed Specification Section 962 changes.

Please review and transmit your comments, if any, within two weeks (10 business days). Comments should be sent via email daniel.strickland@dot.state.fl.us.

If you have any questions relating to this specification change, please call me at (850) 414-4130.

Sincerely,

Signature on File

Daniel Strickland, P.E.
State Specifications Engineer

DS/jb

Attachment

cc: Florida Transportation Builders' Assoc.
State Construction Engineer

TRENCH DRAIN

(REV 6-24-26)

SUBARTICLE 436-2.3 is deleted and the following substituted:

436-2.3 Grates: Provide steel grates and supporting frames that meet the requirements of Section 962. Ductile iron frames and grates must meet the requirements of ASTM A536. Ensure that ductile iron grates and frames are compatible and from the same manufacturer. Frames must be anchored into the concrete backfill with studs bolts or lugs. Grates must have at least 30% open area and fasten securely to frames to avoid rattling, Grates must be removable for the entire channel length and have vandal resistant locking devices. Ensure that frames have a minimum of 4 inch long studs, bolts or lugs at all four corners.

Grates and Frames*.....Section 962

*Use products listed on the Approved Product List (APL).

TRENCH DRAIN
(REV 6-24-26)

SUBARTICLE 436-2.3 is deleted and the following substituted:

436-2.3 Grates: Provide steel grates and supporting frames that meet the requirements of Section 962. Ductile iron frames and grates must meet the requirements of ASTM A536. Ensure that ductile iron grates and frames are compatible and from the same manufacturer. Frames must be anchored into the concrete backfill with studs bolts or lugs. Grates must have at least 30% open area and fasten securely to frames to avoid rattling, Grates must be removable for the entire channel length and have vandal resistant locking devices. Ensure that frames have a minimum of 4 inch long studs, bolts or lugs at all four corners.

Grates and Frames* Section 962

*Use products listed on the Approved Product List (APL).