Ohio Department of Transportation Prebid Questions

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It appears as if the department is trying to save the bottom hook bar in the approach slabs, this being so, full depth sawing is not an option for the removal of the approach slab, will the department consider hoe ram operations for the removal of the approach slab only? Where is the bridge abutment excavation to be paid in order to remove and reconstruct the backwall? No unclassified excavation item has been set up.

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It appears that the intent is to sawcut at the construction joint the backwalls. The 2' flat spot shown in the excavation details with the layback given and the amount of approach slab removal do not allow enough room to properly cut using the required 4' diameter saw blade. Will the department pay for any additional approach slab removal and excavation required to sawcut the backwall? Which may also result in a much larger road plate should the distance be increased.

The intended removal method is described on sheet 31/44. The boundaries of proposed concrete removal are to be saw cut 1" deep. The rest of the concrete is to be removed with pneumatic hammers. The existing rebar is to be preserved as shown on sheet 35/44. A 4' saw blade is not required. No additional excavation, approach slab removal & replacement, or road plates will be paid by the department.

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ODOT has disallowed removing the lower re-steel for the approach slabs. In doing so, it is not possible to perform the following work items: a) porous backfill; b) the excavation shown on plan sheet 35/44; c) removal of the backwall forms; d) 304 required under the app slabs; and e) subgrade compaction under the app slabs. It appears that the only way to construct the project is to either cut off and dowel the #10 bars in the bottom of the app slabs, or to completely remove and replace the app slabs. It also appears that the quantity for the Dowel Holes includes enough to replace the app slab bars.

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