

Summary of Changes to ODOT Specifications for Geotechnical Explorations (July 2016 Version)

- Section 407 - Sealing or Backfilling of Borings
 - The section was expanded significantly to replace the text in Appendix F, Policy for Sealing of Geotechnical Exploratory Boreholes. The existing policy had been a holdover from the 1996 Specifications for Subsurface Investigations.
- Section 500 – Replaced five references to Section 506 (section deleted in January 2015) with Section 504
- Section 702.2 – Provided clarification for soil profile scale requirements
- Appendix F – Eliminated the text for the existing policy. 4 supplemental tables were added.

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- Section F – updated maximum depth to 18 inches for placing the geogrid at the bottom of the excavation. This brings the document into agreement with Supplemental Specification 861.

MicroStation Text to Node MDL Application:

- The MDL application can be used to combine multiple individual lines of text into a text node in MicroStation. This could be used to combine the individual lines of text of rock descriptions when included on boring graphics. As a text node you can select the text and use the “handles” to resize (word wrap) the length of the text node.