

WHATCOM COUNTY GENERAL NOTES

1. All work and materials shall be in accordance with current WSDOT/APWA Standard Specifications, Whatcom County Development Standards (WCDS), and shall be subject to approval by Whatcom County Public Works Department - Engineering Division – Public Works Engineering Services (PWES).
2. Developer/Contractor/Consulting Engineer shall schedule a pre-construction conference with the Public Works Engineering Services Project Manager a minimum of 3 working days prior to beginning any work.
3. Normal working hours are 7:30 am. to 4:00 pm., Monday through Friday. Work during holidays, weekends, and outside the normal work hours requires prior arrangements and approval.
4. Sight distance required at all intersections per WCDS Chapter 5.
5. A revocable encroachment permit shall be obtained prior to commencing any work within County maintained road rights-of-way.
6. The contractor shall contact utility location service 48 hours prior to starting work at (800)424-5555 or 811.
7. A copy of the County-approved drawings must be on the job site whenever work is in process.
8. Whatcom County reserves the right to inspect all work. The Contractor shall call the Consulting Engineer and the Public Works Engineering Services Project Manager at (360)778-6220 at least 24 hours in advance of the following work items:
 - A. Placement of temporary erosion and sedimentation control measures.
 - B. Placement of water, sanitary sewer, and storm drainage lines and backfilling of these lines within County maintained road rights-of-way.
 - C. Placement of underground utilities and backfilling within County maintained road rights-of-way.
 - D. Roadway grading at the completion of the subgrade, ballast, and of crushed surfacing.
 - E. Pouring of curb/gutter and sidewalk.
 - F. Asphalt paving, at the beginning of paving.
 - G. Prior to pavement marking.
 - H. Overall inspection of finished shoulders, ditches, permanent seeding, road signage, monument placement, cleaning of drainage system and construction debris.
 - I. All work required to release of any posted security.
9. The contractor must provide the following tests:
 - A. Curb/gutter, sidewalk, roadway base compaction – minimum 1 test every 1-3 stations, varies with length, minimum of 2 tests per category or at the direction of County inspector.
 - B. Proof roll of base material with County inspector present before crushed top surfacing is placed.
 - C. Concrete cylinder compression – 1 cylinder every third load – minimum of 2 samples/day.
 - D. HMA paving density – per WSDOT standard specifications.
10. All testing required for the work shall be the responsibility of the owner and shall be in conformance with WCDS with respect to the Consulting Engineer.
11. The contractor shall rip rap all culvert inlets and outlets.
12. The contractor shall restore all private and public property disturbed by the work immediately after construction. The contractor shall not leave any part of the road used by others un-passable without notifications and agreement of other users.
13. All cut and fill slopes shall be mulched and seeded for erosion control. The contractor shall be responsible for slope erosion until vegetation is firmly established.
14. Contractor shall sweep and remove all debris tracked onto existing roads during all phases of construction.
15. Any tree, where 1/3 of the root system is damaged by work, shall be removed.
16. The contractor shall inform the Consulting Engineer and obtain approval from Whatcom County Engineering Division of any proposed changes in plans prior to implementation of the change. The contractor shall keep records of deviations and forward to the Engineer of Record and Whatcom County Engineering Division.
17. Traffic control is to be maintained in accordance with WSDOT/APWA Standard Specifications.
18. The developer/contractor shall post a warranty security as required by the Whatcom County Development Standards.
19. An Engineer shall provide record drawings per WCDS 507.D.