

STATE OF TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE 37243-0350

INSTRUCTIONAL BULLETIN NO. 05-04

Regarding Addition of Project Mowing Item in Construction Plans

Effective for the December 3, 2004 letting **Item No. 806-02.03**, **Project Mowing**, **Cycle**, <u>shall</u> be included in construction plans for projects on State Routes with high traffic volumes and high visibility. The mowing item is <u>not intended for use on</u> <u>resurfacing projects</u>. For the purpose of determining applicable projects, designers will include Project Mowing on *new construction projects*, *reconstruction projects* (including widening) or *on-system bridge replacement projects* where one or more of the following apply:

- Expected project duration is one year or greater.
- Project is in an urban area. (For the purposes of this bulletin an urban area is defined as any city with a population of 5,000 or greater.)
- The current Average Daily Traffic (ADT) is 20,000 or greater.

The quantity to be set up for a project should be based on a minimum of 2 mowing cycles per year of construction. Since most projects fall into the 2 to 3 year range, a minimum of 4-6 cycles would be needed. The number of mowing cycles per year of construction may be increased based upon input received at the construction field review. Design Managers should check with the Construction Division to determine the length of the contract.

Item No. 806-02.03, Project Mowing, Cycl., shall include the following footnote: "Item includes litter and trash removal. This work will not be measured and paid for directly but will be included in the cost of Item No. 806-02.03, Project Mowing, Cycl."

Original signed by Jeff C. Jones

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