

ROAD COMMISSION FOR OAKLAND COUNTY

SPECIAL PROVISION
FOR
MERCHANTABLE TIMBER

RCOC/DESIGN:KS/JO

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a. Description

This work shall be done in accordance with sections 201 and 202 of the *Michigan Department of Transportation 2020 Standard Specifications for Construction*, except as herein provided.

b. Materials

All work must be in accordance with the contract documents.

c. Construction

Trees to be removed are generally indicated on the plans; however, trees shall not be removed until after it is marked in the field by RCOC.

1. Salvaging Merchantable Timber

Merchantable timber is defined as any timber coming from trees with diameters 8 inches or more, which require removal as indicated on the plans and/or marked in the field by RCOC. Merchantable timber becomes the property of the Contractor and shall be disposed of at the Contractor's expense, except where an abutting property owner, who has fully executed a RCOC Wood Disposal Agreement, requests the merchantable timber from that portion of the right of way adjoining the property owner's property. In this case, the merchantable timber is to be cut in 10 to 12-foot lengths and piled immediately outside of, and adjacent to, the road right of way line or construction grading limit, whichever is furthest from the road centerline.

2. Disposing of Unsalvageable Material

The Contractor shall not dispose of stumps, roots, logs, brush, limbs, tops and other debris resulting from clearing or tree removal operations by burning. It is the Contractor's responsibility to secure other means of disposal in accordance with subsection 205.03.P and as approved by the Engineer. If unsalvageable material is disposed on private property, the Contractor shall have the property owner sign a disposal agreement provided by the RCOC.

d. Measurement and Payment

The above items of work will not be paid for separately and is considered included in the contract unit price for tree removals and clearing.