

BORROW PIT DEWATERING BASIN:

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Description

Water discharge from borrow pit sites shall not cause surface waters to exceed 50 NTUs (nephelometric turbidity unit) in streams not designated as trout waters and 10 NTUs in streams, lakes or reservoirs designated as trout waters. For lakes and reservoirs not designated as trout waters, the turbidity shall not exceed 25 NTUs. If the turbidity exceeds these levels due to natural background conditions, the existing turbidity level shall not be increased.

Construct, maintain, and remove earth embankments used to reduce turbidity from dewatering borrow sites. Work includes providing porous coir fiber baffle, filter fabric, stone, outlet structures, cleaning out, maintaining, removing and disposing of the borrow pit dewatering basin and all components, and reshaping the area, as well as dressing, seeding and mulching the area.

Materials

Utilize suitable excavated materials, as specified in Sections 225, 230, and 240 of the *Standard Specifications* in the construction of earth embankments for borrow pit dewatering basins, except where otherwise specified.

Construction Methods

Construct borrow pit dewatering basins at locations shown on Reclamation Plans or at areas directed by Engineer.

The volume of the borrow pit dewatering basin will be based on a 2 hour retention time. The pump rate shall not to exceed 1,000 GPM (60,000 GPH). The contractor may desire a greater retention time for managing turbidity; however, work associated with this increased volume will be considered incidental.

The straight line distance between the inlet and outlet must be divided to include a forebay chamber in the upper quarter cell. One (1) porous coir fiber baffle shall be installed across full width of the basin to delineate the forebay chamber. No earthen or rock baffle will be used. Filter fabric shall be installed on interior side slopes and floor of the forebay.

The water pumped from the borrow pit into the dewatering basin shall be obtained from the top of the water column and shall be discharged into the forebay in a non-erodible manner.

The borrow pit dewatering basin outlet shall be a vertical non-perforated riser pipe or flash board riser attached with a watertight connection, to a barrel that carries the water through the embankment.

Maintenance and Removal

Maintain the borrow pit dewatering basin, coir fiber baffle, and remove and dispose of silt accumulations in accordance with section 1630-3 of the *Standard Specifications*. The Contractor may wish to include a drain device for maintenance and removal at his discretion.

Remove the borrow pit dewatering basin once dewatering operations are completed. Dress, seed, and mulch the area after removal of the borrow pit dewatering basin in accordance with Section 1660 of the *Standard Specifications*. The area shall be stabilized with an approved groundcover prior to final acceptance of the site.

Measurement and Payment

Borrow Pit Dewatering Basin quantities will be measured and paid for in cubic yards, in place and computed by the average-end-method for the actual number of cubic yards of basin capacity. The measurements will be the internal measurements of the basin measured up to the top of the outlet structure. Materials used to construct the basin that originates from another payment item (i.e. unclassified excavation, borrow excavation) will not be deducted from the volume of that original pay item. Such price shall be full compensation for the construction, maintenance, providing an outlet structure, baffle, filter fabric, stone, and removal once dewatering operations are completed.

Pay Item

Borrow Pit Dewatering Basin

Pay Unit

Cubic Yard