

**ITEM 614.0105 08 - TREE ROOT PROTECTION EXCAVATION**

**DESCRIPTION**

This work shall consist of unclassified excavation and disposal of existing material by air, water or other approved methods to avoid damaging existing tree roots at the locations and depths shown in the contract documents or where directed by the Engineer. Work shall be performed prior to any construction activities that require excavation around or near tree roots.

**MATERIALS**

N/A

**CONSTRUCTION DETAILS**

-The contractor shall submit a plan for tree root protection excavation that includes the proposed excavation method and debris collection methods. The proposed plan must be approved by the Regional Landscape Architect.

-The contractor shall take all necessary precautions to avoid damaging existing tree roots within the tree root protection excavation limits. If roots are damaged, as determined by the Regional Landscape Architect, it will be the responsibility of the contractor to prune damaged tree roots as approved by the Regional Landscape Architect. This work shall be performed at no cost to the State.

-The contractor shall take special care to prevent erosion and runoff of sediment and debris caused by excavation.

-All excavated material shall be disposed of as outlined under Item 203.02 in the NYS Standard Specifications.

**METHOD OF MEASUREMENT**

This work will be measured as the number of cubic meters of tree root protection excavation satisfactorily removed. There will be no deduction for tree roots within the excavation limits.

**BASIS OF PAYMENT**

The unit price bid shall include the cost of furnishing all labor, materials, and equipment necessary to satisfactorily complete the work.