

## **ITEM 05615.16 M - WEEDING AND PRUNING**

### **DESCRIPTION**

This work shall include removing all weeds and pruning shrubs in plant bays and locations on the plans, special notes, or as directed by the Engineer. The limit of work shall remain within the highway right-of-way.

### **MATERIALS**

Materials, methods and equipment for vegetation control in plant bays and adjacent roadway areas may be selected by the Contractor; however, they must be approved by the Engineer

### **CONSTRUCTION DETAILS**

Weeds shall be removed by either manual or mechanical means to the satisfaction of the Engineer.

- A. Work Limits: Locations for vegetation control are as indicated in the contract documents. All work shall be coordinated with the Regional Landscape Architect to locate and ensure the preservation of desirable vegetation.
- B. Special Notes: Conditions and information such as areas of special concern shall be as indicated elsewhere in the contract documents.

The Contractor shall perform the following landscape maintenance work in specified shrub beds.

**Weed Control.** A Weed Control Program shall be submitted to Regional Landscape Architect for approval. The program shall be developed to control all weeds without damaging the shrubs. Weeds shall be considered all undesirable plants (either woody, herbaceous or annual) as determined by the Engineer. Weed control shall be within the existing bed areas or, where no beds exist, within a radius of 1.0 m from the base of each shrub or tree.

The Contractor shall be responsible for replacing, at his expense, any plant material which is killed or disfigured through any act of negligence relating to the maintenance of this contract and as directed by the Regional Landscape Architect.

**Pruning.** Shrubs shall be pruned to a height and width indicated in the contract plans or as approved by the Engineer. All pruning shall be done by an approved mechanical or manual method. All cuts shall be clean cuts (not jagged or frayed). All clippings shall be removed from the job site and disposed of by the Contractor at the end of each calendar day.

### **METHOD OF MEASUREMENT**

This work will be measured by the number of square meters of weeding as measured within the bounds described above.

### **BASIS OF PAYMENT**

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