

February 11, 2026

**POLK COUNTY, A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF
THE STATE OF FLORIDA**

ADDENDUM # 5

**BID # 25-420, Thompson Nursery Road Extension Phase 1 – Segment 1
FPID# Project No. 452355-1-54-01**

This addendum is issued to clarify, add to, revise and/or delete items of the Bid Document for this work. This Addendum is a part of the Bid Document and acknowledgment of its receipt shall be noted on the Addendum.

Contained within this addendum: questions & answers, revision, revised bid sheet & plans on the FTP Site and Bid Receiving Date Extension.

The Bid Receiving Date has been extended one (1) week. The revised Bid Receiving Date is Wednesday, February 25, 2026, prior to 2:00 p.m. The deadline for submitting questions has passed, and no additional questions will be accepted.

To obtain a copy of the revised bid sheet and plans please go the following FTP site: <https://ftp3.polk-county.net>, you will be prompted for a User ID and Password. The User ID is procurevendor and the password is solicitation. After you have logged in to the FTP site, double click on the file folder “**Bid 25-420, Thompson Nursey Road**”, select “Open” or “Save As” to download the documents from folder “**Bid 25-420, Addendum 5 Documents.**” If you need assistance accessing this website due to ADA or any other reason, please email Tabatha Shirah at tabathashirah@polkfl.gov.

Respectfully,

Tabatha Shirah

Senior Procurement Analyst
Procurement Division

This Addendum sheet should be signed and submitted with your bid submittal. This is the only acknowledgment required.

Signature _____

Printed Name: _____

Title: _____

Company: _____

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Revision 1

Bid Package, Supplemental Conditions - Item 27.1, page 88:

27.1. The Bid Form includes **\$4,500,000.00** in contingency funds. The County shall approve charges against contingencies prior to invoicing. Any established unit prices shall prevail. If there are no unit prices established for the work, then the Contractor shall be reimbursed as defined in the General Conditions. The contingency funds will be used for actual work (time and materials). The contingency funds will not be used for any delay cost but may only be used for unforeseen conditions as determined by and agreed to by the County. The project contingencies have been defined as follows:

27.1.1. Roadway: **\$4,500,000.00**

Question 1: The wall elevations and details shown on sheets 399 thru 402 show a 36" Single Slope Traffic Barrier (Index 521-610). Please indicate how this wall is to be paid or please add the appropriate pay item?

Answer 1: Pay item will be added to the plan set. Pay Item # 521-8-7. Quantity = 252 LF

Question 2: Can the bid receiving date be extended for 2 weeks?

Answer 2: See Addendum 4. The revised Bid Receiving Date is Wednesday, February 18, 2026, prior to 2:00 p.m.

Question 3: Will the Question deadline date be moved or will it remain on December 22, 2025?

Answer 3: See Addendum 2. The Question Deadline is extended to January 21, 2026, at 4:00 p.m.

Question 4: **Geotechnical Report:** We can find no borings, soil information, or geotechnical reports for the proposed pond excavation in regards to the existing soils, and the roadway plans only provide limited boring information. This information is **required** to determine suitability of the existing soils for use in the project embankment, Please provide a full geotechnical report for the project ASAP, specifically including the proposed ponds.

Answer 4: Please refer to the Information Only – Geotechnical folder in the FTP Site provided above.

Question 5: **Existing Structures:** Plan sheets indicate existing structures are within the roadway alignment and project area. Will all existing structures be removed (by others) prior to the project start? Are all existing structures already removed? Please clarify this issue?

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Answer 5: The County removed all of the structures (homes/buildings) that were located within the R/W parcels and to the best of our knowledge the wells that the County was aware of were abandoned at or around the time of the demolition of the structures. If there are wells (or underground structures, etc.) that we were not aware of, they would need to be addressed by the contractor if discovered during the construction via a change order.

Question 6: **Rail Road Flagmen:** Plan notes and specifications reference use of a Rail Road Flagman when required for work or operations within the RR ROW. Is the County paying for any RR flagmen when needed? Who is responsible for payment for any RR Flagmen if/when required?

Answer 6: Flagmen operations are not required for the design as shown. Florida Midland Rail does not require flagmen during night hour operations. If the contractors means and methods require flagmen the contractor would be responsible for payment.

Question 7: **OBG-03:** Plan page 10, typical section for paved & graded driveways states OBG-03 is to be used as the base material. There is no bid item or quantity provided for OBG-03. Please provide a bid item and quantity for this work if it is required?

Answer 7: The quantity for OBG-03 has been provided under the Summary of Permanent Driveways table, sheet 31. The quantity of OBG-3 will be added to the Summary of Pay Items. Quantity = 334 SY

Question 8: **OBG-10:** Plan page 18, typical section for widening states OBG-10 is to be used as the base material. There is no bid item or quantity provided for OBG-10. Please provide a bid item and quantity for this work if it is required?

Answer 8: The quantity for OBG-10 has been provided under the Summary of Pay Items, Sheet #21. Quantity = 167 SY

Question 9: Can cad files be made available for this project specifically any existing and proposed surface models?

Answer 9: Please see the FTP Site instructions on the first page. The CAD files were added in Addendum 2.

Question 10: There is discrepancy in the length of Retaining Wall 1-3. Plan Sheet No. 399 shows the wall 44.5 ft long, while Wall Dimensions Table in Plan Sheet No. 404 shows Wall 1-3 to be 53 ft 4.75 inches long. Please confirm which is the correct length of Retaining Wall 1-3 and confirm Concrete Quantity?

Answer 10: Discrepancy on data table has been corrected. The correct length of wall segment 1-3 is 44.64 feet. The concrete quantity value of 32 cubic yards is correct as it is based on a Wall 1-3 length of 44.67 feet.

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Question 11: According to FDOT Index 400-011 there are 3 different schemes for the Gravity Walls. The plans do not show what Scheme is the Gravity Wall in this project. Please confirm which Scheme is the Wall?

Answer 11: Scheme 2.

Question 12: Summary of Pay Items Sheet No. 21 shows Pay Item 400-0-11 with 28 cy. Summary of Walls in Plan Sheet No. 36 shows Pay Item 400-0-11 with 21.7 cy. Please confirm quantity for Pay Item 400-0-11: Concrete Class NS, Gravity Wall?

Answer 12: 28 CY in the Summary of Pay Items is correct. The quantity of 21.7 CY on the Summary of Wall Table is incorrect.

Question 13: Roadway plans Structures S-351 and S-352 appear to be repeated at Station 108+00 and Station 30+45 (Croton Rd). Please clarify these are duplicate and confirm the quantities associated with these structures?

Answer 13: S-351 refers to a curb inlet (P-5) located at STA. 107+65.00. S-352 refers to a manhole (J-7) located at STA. 108+00. Both appear to be displayed in the plans correctly on plan-profile sheet (12).

Question 14: According to the roadway plans, a total of 907 linear feet of 42-inch pipe will be required. However, there is a discrepancy between this quantity and the bid form, which indicates a total of 2,070 linear feet for this item. Please confirm where the additional 1,163 feet of 42-inch pipe will be installed?

Answer 14: 907 linear feet of 42-inch pipe is the correct amount to be required. With a break down of 605 linear feet of Class IV 42" pipe, and 302 linear feet of 42" pipe.

Question 15: Please confirm the removal of existing pipe and the cut and fuse with proposed pipe, shown in Plan sheet C02 of the Water Main Plans, will be able to be done without the need of a wet tap?

Answer 15: Contractor to confirm that isolation of the water main that is directional drilled under US-17 cannot be performed. C01 shows an existing valve to the west of the intersection. If a valve exists at east US-17 drill, closing of the valves shall be coordinated with the City of Eagle Lake. If there is not a valve present between the east end of the directional drill and the existing service to be relocated, a wet tap or line stop can be installed.

Question 16: Please include pay item 0524-001 for Concrete Ditch Pavement?

Answer16: Agreed. Concrete Ditch Pavement to be installed around the Control structures for Ponds 1,2, & 3. Quantity = 12 SY

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Question 17: According to the Roadway Plans, sheet 402, a 36" Single-Slope Traffic Barrier with Junction Slab will be required on top of the CIP wall. Please include pay item 521-8-7, CONCRETE BARRIER, WITH JUNCTION SLAB, 36" SINGLE SLOPE, missing from the bid form?

Answer 17: Agreed, value will be added to bid form. Quantity = 252 LF

Question 18: Reviewing the cross-section calculations, example at Station 37+00 (sheet 117), it appears that the regular excavation quantity may not include the removal of the existing asphalt and base (6" thick). Please confirm if the excavation quantity was calculated by removing the existing base?

Answer 18: The excavation quantity has not been calculated with the removal of the existing base. The removal of the existing base is included under Clearing and Grubbing under FDOT Specifications 110-2.

Question 19: According to the roadway plans on sheet 293, phases 2 and 3 detour notes, the contractor will be subject to FDOT Specifications 8-10, 8-11, and 8-12. The Damage Recovery provision in Specification 8-12 has been revised for this project to \$10,000 for the first 30 minutes, with an additional \$2,000 for each subsequent 30-minute period, not to exceed a total of \$29,000 over a 24-hour period. Please confirm how Liquidated Damages (8-10) and Damage Recovery (8-12) will be assessed against the contractor if the work is not completed within the maximum allowed detour closure period?

Answer 19: Damage Recovery Specification 8-12 is applied for any non-compliance with lane closure restrictions or non-compliance with restrictions on the duration of road closures and/or detours. Liquidated Damages relate to overall project completion within contract time and apply if the project is not Final Accepted within contract time.

Question 20: Please confirm if railroad insurance will be required for this project?

Answer 20: Please see the "Bid 25-420 Package," page 80 – Permits 4.3, located on the FTP Site. No, separate railroad insurance is not required for this project. The general insurance as currently required cannot exclude railroads, but a separate additional policy is not required

Question 21: If railroad insurance will be required, please provide insurance limits, Number of Passengers, Freight Numbers, Switching Numbers, and Speed?

Answer 21: See response to Question 20 above.

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Question 22: If railroad insurance is required, please confirm railroad employees (flaggers) will be assigned to work at the job site and will be on the railroad's payroll?

Answer 22: See response to Question 6 and 20 above.

Question 23: Please confirm that all drainage pipes shall be reinforced concrete pipe in accordance with the roadway plans, General Note 21?

Answer 23: Yes, concrete class is further specified for specific pipes within the project with greater loads from depth under soil.

Question 24: According to the FDOT Standard Specifications, "DO NOT INCLUDE TEMPORARY ASPHALT for payment under MOT, LS. Refer to Special Detour, pay item 102-2." Please include Special Detour – Temporary Pavement, SY, Pay item 102-2-200, and provide quantities for temporary asphalt pavement and temporary asphalt overbuild?

Answer 24: Per the plans, the MOT is to be bid as lump sum 1. It is the responsibility of the contractor to determine quantities and costs as needed.

Question 25: Please include Special Detour – Temporary Earthwork/Base, CY, Pay item 102-2-300, and provide quantities?

Answer 25: Per the plans, the MOT is to be bid as lump sum 1. It is the responsibility of the contractor to determine quantities and costs as needed.

Question 26: Please include Temporary Barrier, F&I, Low Profile pay item 102-71-13, and provide quantities?

Answer 26: Per the plans, the MOT is to be bid as lump sum 1. It is the responsibility of the contractor to determine quantities and costs as needed.

Question 27: Please include Temporary Barrier, Relocate, Low Profile Concrete pay items 102-71-23, and provide quantities?

Answer 27: Per the plans, the MOT is to be bid as lump sum 1. It is the responsibility of the contractor to determine quantities and costs as needed.

Question 28: Given that the quantities may differ among contractors, to ensure a fair bidding process, and to promote fair competition. Please include the following pay items missing from the Bid Form in accordance with FDOT Standard Specifications.

- 102-30 – Temporary Highway Lighting ?
- 102-60- Work Zone Sign
- 102- 74- A Channelizing Device
- 102- 76- Arrow Board / Advance Warning Arrow Panel
- 102- 78- A Temporary Raised/Retroreflective Pavement Marker (RPM)
- 102- 99- A Portable Changeable Message Sign- Temporary

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- 102-115- Type III Barricade
- 102-150- 1 Portable Regulatory Sign ED
- 102-150- 2 Radar Speed Display Unit ED
- 102-911- A Removable Tape Pavement Marking - White/Black
- 102-912- A Removable Tape Pavement Marking – Yellow
- 706- 1- A Raised Pavement Marker
- 710- 1A-BCD Painted Pavement Markings- MOT applications

Answer 28: Per the plans, the MOT is to be bid as lump sum 1. It is the responsibility of the contractor to determine quantities and costs as needed.

Question 29: Plan Sheet C-04 of Water Main Plans shows proposed 4” and 6” pipe being connected to existing lines but there is no detail as how this connection is to be made. Please provide details to clearly understand the connection for both water main lines?

Answer 29: Contractor is to construct water main as shown to reach property. Contractor to shut off existing valve to turn off service to property. Contractor to remove existing water main and relocate backflow assembly and potable meter to area that is north of the proposed water main, and provide enough room to install the backflow preventer for fire main and meter assembly for potable service. Contractor to install 6” gate valve, then 6” tee to separate water and fire service. Fire service to have 6” proposed water main as shown and to connect to existing 6” water main to reinstate fire service. Contractor to install 6”x4” reducer to provide irrigation and potable service. 4”x4” tee used to separate irrigation stubout and potable water service. Irrigation stubout to include 4” valve with 4” restrained cap. Potable service to have 4” main installed with a 4” restrained cap. Contractor to install 2” plug in center of cap to reduce to 2” potable water service. Contractor to install 2” main to install water meter, then contractor to reconnect meter to existing 2” water service. A detail will be provided to supplement this description.

Question 30: Please confirm Gas line relocation, shown in Plan Sheet C09 of Water Main Plans, will take place before the removal of existing WM pipe & installation of proposed WM line?

Answer 30: Utility Work Schedule from FPU is provided with this addendum. Contractor to coordinate removal schedule as needed.

Question 31: Reviewing the bid documents, it appears that the bid form is missing, only the Excel Bid Sheet has been included. Also, in many cases, a specific bid bond form is required as part of the bid submission, and this form is typically incorporated within the bid form package. The bid bond form is essential for us to initiate the process of requesting our bid bond, which generally takes approximately one to

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two weeks to be executed. Therefore, to ensure our bid is submitted on time, please provide the complete bid form as soon as possible?

Answer 31: Please see the “Bid 25-420 Package,” Part C and Part D, starting on page 93. The documents were provided in those sections.

Question 32: Should the contractor assume that all building demolition, including foundation removal and underground utilities, will be completed by others?

Answer 32: See response to Question 5 above.

Question 33: Will CAD files (including existing and proposed finish grades) be made available for Bidders?

Answer 33: See response to Question 9 above.

Question 34: This is a project valued at over \$44 million, and there are major holidays upcoming. Can the bid opening be extended 15 calendar days?

Answer 34: See response to Question 2 above.

Question 35: Included in the bid form is an item for Roadway Contingency in the amount of \$500,000.00. According to the Specifications, Polk County General Conditions, Article 12 – Allowances. The county, at its sole discretion, has the authority to include an Allowance in the contract. Such an Allowance amount shall be incorporated into the Contract Price. Please confirm the \$500,000.00 included in the bid form is designated as the Allowance for this project?

Answer 35: The \$500,000 is for contingencies. There is a revised Bid Sheet included in this Addendum see, this revised bid sheet has increased the project contingency from \$500,000 to \$4,500,000. The Allowance Work will be calculated in accordance with Article 23 – Allowances. Allowance Work, in the amount of five percent (5%) of the construction contract bid amount or \$250,000, whichever amount is less, will be included in the contract price.

Question 36: Not all of the borings have been included in the plans. Please provide full geotechnical report?

Answer 36: See response to Question 4 above.

Question 37: The quantity of excavation seems to be overstated in the bid form. If you add all the quantities from the cross sections, it only comes to 160,486.5 CY. Please confirm excavation quantities.

Answer 37: The earthwork provided in the quantities also includes ponds and driveways.

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Question 38: The summary of quantities and the plans only show 907 LF of 42" RCP, but the bid form has 2,070 LF. If the bid form is correct, then please provide detail for the additional 42" RCP that shall be included in the bid?

Answer 38: 907 linear feet of 42-inch pipe is the correct amount to be required. With a break down of 605 linear feet of Class IV 42" pipe, and 302 linear feet of 42" pipe

Question 39: Can the designer provide a KMZ file for use in the bidding process?

Answer 39: Please refer to the Plans folder in the FTP Site, access information above.

Question 40: Please provide the minimum wage tables required for this contract.

Answer 40: No minimum wage tables are required.

Question 41: The project Specification Package/Special Provisions state that: "The FY 2024-25 Edition of the Florida Department of Transportation Standard Specifications is revised as follows: ...". However, the definition of "Contract Documents" in the Polk County General Conditions appears to list items such as the Agreement, General Conditions, Special Conditions, Technical Specifications, Plans, Addenda, etc., but does not expressly list the "Florida Department of Transportation Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction, FY 2024-25 Edition" as a separate Contract Document.

Please confirm the following:

1. Are the Florida Department of Transportation Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction, FY 2024-2025 Edition, intended to be incorporated by reference into this Contract and treated as part of the Contract Documents?
2. If so, please confirm that the FDOT Standard Specifications apply to the Work except where specifically modified or deleted by the project Technical Specifications/Special Provisions or Polk County's General/Supplementary Conditions.

Answer 41: Yes, the FDOT Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction, FY 2024-25 Edition is being incorporated by reference into this contract and treated as part of the contract documents except for Division I. Yes, the FDOT Standard Specifications apply to the Work except where specifically modified or deleted by the project Technical Specifications/Special Provisions or Polk County's General/Supplementary Conditions.

Question 42: Typical Section Sheet 2 Page 10 calls for BG 03 for Driveway A - There is no pay item for this base group. Please clarify?

Answer 42: Quantity for OBG-03 has been provided under the Summary of Permanent Driveways table, Plan Sheet 31.

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Question 43: Please clarify the station areas in the MOT where the County has concerns for SP 8-12 Damage Recovery?

Answer 43: See response to Question 19 above.

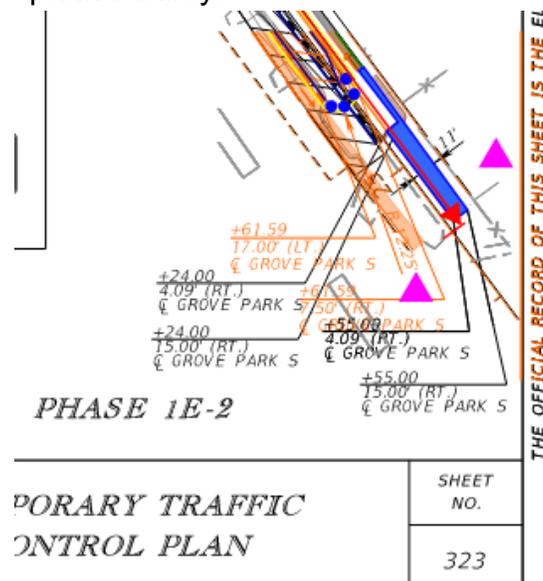
Question 44: SP 8.3 Calls for a DRB Board--Please add the appropriate pay items for partnering, meetings, & hearings?

Answer 44: Special Provision 8.3 - Polk County does not utilize the FDOT DRB process so no pay items are needed. For dispute resolution the Contractor and CEI will submit written documentation of the issue to Polk County who will have the final determination.

Question 45: Please confirm the lump sum items will be paid per FDOT Specifications?

Answer 45: Yes, the lump sum items will be paid per FDOT Specifications.

Question 46: There appears to be additional temp pavement installed on Grove Park around station 25+0 in Phase 1E-2 that should probably have been installed in Phase 1E. See attached & please clarify?



Answer 46: Temporary pavement is not required to maintain the existing traffic pattern along Grove Park.

Question 47: Please confirm railroad insurance and railroad flagging is not required for this project?

Answer 47: See response to Question 20 above.

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Question 48: Please confirm the last two residents on the east side of Grove Park and the last resident on the west side around station 25+0 do not get driveway improvements?

Answer 48: Construction along Grove Park starts at station 25+14. Driveways before the station 25+14 does not get driveway improvements.

Question 49: Will the County please provide the cadd files for the project?

Answer 49: See response to Question 9 above.

Question 50: Please confirm all buildings and wells have been removed & properly abandoned?

Answer 50: See response to Question 5 above.

Question 51: On the plans there appears to be some structures in the path of the roadway. Upon visiting the site it looks like some of these structures have already been demolished. Are there any remaining structures to be removed or have they all been demolished by others already?

Answer 51: See response to Question 5 above.

Question 52: Is there a Bid Bond required for this project and if so how much?

Answer 52: Yes. 5% of the bid price.

Question 53: Is this a Davis Bacon project?

Answer 53: No, this is not a Davis Bacon project.

Question 54: Will a gopher tortoise survey be required for this project?

Answer 54: The contractor should refer to the 2012 ERP for all relevant permit conditions and should follow the FWC Gopher Tortoise Permitting Guidelines. Should gopher tortoises or potentially occupied gopher tortoise burrows be observed within 25' of the project site prior to or during construction, construction will stop and the tortoises should be relocated in accordance with the FWC Gopher Tortoise Permitting Guidelines.

Question 55: Are the laydown yards identified in the documents available for free by the county or will there be a cost to rent them?

Answer 55: Yes, the laydown yards identified in the documents are available for free by the County and there will be no rental costs associated with their use. A license agreement will be needed prior to mobilizing to the properties.

Question 56: On the plan sheets several existing fences are identified for removal but the full extents of the fence removal are not shown and some continue off the page. Can you provide the limits or total length of fence to removed?

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Answer 56: The removal of existing fence is the responsibility of the contractor and will be paid under pay items 550-10-210, 550-10-220 and 550-10-325.

Question 57: Is the temporary pavement being paid under the MOT item?

Answer 57: Yes, temporary pavement is being paid under MOT Lump Sum pay item

Question 58: Is there any specific detail for the temporary pavement?

Answer 58: Yes, specific detail for temporary pavement is shown on MOT sheets at critical locations.

Question 59: Are there any fuel adjustments?

Answer 59: No, only for asphalt and other materials that apply.

Question 60: On the permits, are there any ponds that can be overcut more than the limits?

Answer 60: Pond 3 is the only pond that can not be overcut (i.e. excavation must stop at the plan elevation) for all other ponds there is no limit on overcut.

Question 61: SUE relocation, will the contractor be paid for those items?

Answer 61: The contractor will be responsible for locating, protecting, and relocating, if necessary, any Polk County or FDOT utility. The contractor should include such costs in the bid.”

Question 62: On the utilities, are there any houses that will need to be reconnected on the water main?

Answer 62: There is one service point detailed in the plans on sheet C-04. There are no residential services that require reconnection.

Question 63: Is there a flow chart for the canals?

Answer 63: There is not a recent flow chart available.

Question 64: VECP issue, is that something you submit before or after the bid?

Answer 64: This will be done after the bid has been awarded.

Question 65: What pay item do we include the subsoil and embankment? Pay Item 13 does not include subsoil.

Answer 65: Sheet 25 of the roadway set provides a subsoil excavation quantity for removal of the subsoil and respective pay item 120-4 for replacement of the removed subsoil.

Question 66: Do all the residents know that this project is coming through?

Answer 66: Yes, they have been notified.

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Question 67: Can the contractors access the canals today?

Answer 67: Yes.

Question 68: For the CL IV Retaining Walls, there are Modified Concrete Barrier/Junction Slab-Wall Coping on top of the wall. Where is this to be paid for?

Answer 68: We are adding a pay item: 521-8- 7 Concrete Barrier with Junction Slab, 36” Single Slope. It will have a quantity equal to the length of all the walls.