# ITEM 765.21 ANNUAL COVER CROP FOR NATIVE SEEDING SQUARE YARD

GENERAL

Work under this item shall conform to the relevant provisions of Subsection 765 of the Standard Specifications and the following.

Work consists of furnishing and installing the appropriate annual grass to be seeded as a cover crop in conjunction with native seeding at the rate specified herein.

A cover crop shall be used when specified to prevent erosion until the permanent seed establishes.

Annual Rye (*Lolium multiflorum*) will not be accepted as an annual cover crop.

Using annual rye or exceeding the application rate such that a dense stand of annual grasses prevents germination of the native grasses will require mowing of annual grasses. In this instance, mowing of cover crop will be incidental to this item.

SEED AND APPLICATION RATE

Apply 30 pounds/acre (1 pound/161 SY) of the following seed based on seeding season:

*Avena sativa* (Grain Oats): 1 January to 31 July

*Secale cereale* (Grain Rye): 1 August to 31 December

## METHOD OF MEASUREMENT

Annual Cover Crop for Native Seeding will be measured for payment by the square yard, complete in place.

BASIS OF PAYMENT

Annual Cover Crop for Native Seeding will be paid at the Contract unit price by the square yard, which price shall include all labor, materials, equipment, and incidental costs required to complete the work.

Payment shall be made upon approval of seed bag tags or other documentation of correct application rate and species, and upon acceptance of a satisfactory stand of annual grasses (approx. three weeks) following seeding.