Amend Section 201 - Clearing and Grubbing to read as follows:

## "SECTION 201 - CLEARING AND GRUBBING

**201.01 Description.** This section describes clearing, grubbing, removing, and disposing of vegetation, debris, and unwanted material from right-of-way, easements, road approaches, project and borrow pit sites, and other areas designated in the contract or by the Engineer. Clearing and grubbing shall be performed in advance of grading operations.

This section also describes protecting trees, vegetation, and objects designated for preservation according to the contract.

Clearing is defined as removing and disposing of all unwanted surface material, such as trees, brush, grass, weeds, downed trees, or other material.

Grubbing is defined as removing and disposing of all unwanted vegetative matter from underground, such as stumps, roots, buried logs, or other debris.

Debris is defined as unusable or unwanted material produced by clearing and grubbing.

**201.02 Materials.** Use accepted commercially-available product with asphalt base and fungicide prepared specifically for tree surgery, to paint cut, and scarred surfaces of trees and shrubs designated to remain.

## 201.03 Construction.

- (A) Vector Control. Prior to starting site dearing or structure removal, comply with requirements of HAR Title 11, Department of Health, Chapter 26, Section 11-26-35 Rodents.
- (B) Limits. Unless otherwise specified in the contract, clear and grub entire length of the project to limits specified below. Do not clear and grub outside these limits. The following are included within the limits of clearing and grubbing:
  - (1) Highway construction areas that include structures, frontage roads and streets, ramps, approaches, ditch and channels with a bottom width of 12 feet or more, and other access roads and road connections that are to be constructed: Extend construction areas to a width of 5 feet outside excavation and embankment slope lines. When slopes require rounding, extend construction areas to outside limits of slope rounding.

- (2) Highway construction areas that include ditch and channels with a bottom width of less than 12 feet: Extend construction areas to a width of two feet outside ditch or channel slope lines.
- (3) Material sites within the Right-of-Way.
- (4) Areas enclosed by interchange loops and ramps.
- **(C)** Clearing. Clear all surface objects, including trees, logs, roots of downed trees, brush, residue of agricultural crops, grass, weeds, asphalt, concrete or masonry, and other unwanted obstructions. Unwanted material includes lumber, trash, and other loose debris.

Preserve trees, shrubs, plants, and other objects to remain within the established limits.

Protect remaining trees and shrubbery from injury or damage. Cut trees to be removed without injuring trees and shrubbery that are to remain.

Cut close to the trunks, in accordance with recognized standards of good arboricultural practices, tree branches that extend over roadway within 20 feet of finished grade. Remove additional branches, as required, to give trees a balanced appearance.

Do not exceed total erosion control exposure area limits described in Subsection 209.03(B)(5) – Construction Requirements.

Protect land monuments, property markers, or official datum points until the Engineer authorizes their removal and until re-establishment survey data has been obtained.

**(D) Grubbing.** Grub areas below natural ground surface, within limits specified, of vegetative and unwanted material interfering with the proposed work. Do not leave unsuitable material under embankments and dikes.

Leave all undisturbed and sound stumps and nonperishable solid objects more than 3 feet below subgrade and embankment slopes. Leave stumps and nonperishable solid objects that extend less than 3 inches above-the ground line or low water level when they are outside the excavation and embankment areas. Cut stumps flush or below the final slope line.

Backfill stump holes and other holes with embankment material and compact according to Subsection 203.03(C) - Embankment Construction except in areas to be excavated.