Excerpts from VDOT 2007 Road and Bridge Specifications as related to VDOT Stormwater Management Program

SECTION 402—SHEET PILES

402.01—Description

This work shall consist of furnishing and installing the type of sheet piles shown on the plans or specified by the Engineer to be left in place or removed as part of the finished structure.

402.02—Materials

- (a) **Timber sheet piles** shall conform to the requirements of Section 236 and may be of any species of wood that can be driven satisfactorily. Piles shall be free from worm holes, loose knots, wind shakes, decayed or unsound portions, or other defects that might impair their strength or tightness.
- (b) **Concrete and reinforcing steel for concrete sheet piles** shall conform to the requirements of Sections 217 and 223.
- (c) Steel sheet piles shall conform to the requirements of Section 228.

402.03—Procedures

(a) **Timber Sheet Piles:** Piles shall be sawed with square corners and provided with tongues and grooves of ample proportions, either cut from the solid material or made with three planks securely fastened together. Piles shall be drift sharpened at the lower ends to wedge the adjacent piles tightly together.

The top of piles shall be cut off to a straight line. Piles shall be braced with waling strips that are lapped and joined at splices and corners. Wales shall be in one length between corners and bolted near the top of the piles.

- (b) **Concrete Sheet Piles:** Concrete sheet piles shall be manufactured in accordance with the requirements of Section 403, 404, or 405, as applicable. Installation shall be in accordance with the requirements of Section 403.
- (c) Steel Sheet Piles: When assembled in place, pile sections shall be practically watertight at the joints. Painting of steel sheet piles shall be performed in accordance with the requirements of Section 403. Piles shall be provided with tongues and grooves of ample proportions for securely fastening together. Wales and structural supports shall be provided as necessary to ensure structural integrity.
- (d) **Temporary Sheet Piling:** When shown on the plans or directed by the Engineer, temporary sheet piling will be measured in square feet. The horizontal dimensions will be measured continuously along the outer face of the sheet piling. The bottom limit will be the bottom of the excavation shown on the plans or as authorized. The top limit will be the original ground line or, in areas adjacent to traffic, 3 feet above the original ground line, or as otherwise shown on the plans.

402.04—Measurement and Payment

Sheet piles will be measured in square feet of piles remaining in place and will be paid for at the contract unit price per square foot. The horizontal dimensions will be measured continuously along the outer face of the piling. For steel sheet piles, the horizontal dimension used shall be not more than the sum of the laying widths or driving dimensions of the individual piles.

Payment for **temporary sheet piling** will be made at the contract unit price per square foot, which price shall be full compensation for furnishing, driving, and removing the piling.

Sheet piles used for the convenience of the Contractor in his method and means will not be measured for separate payment but will be considered incidental to the work.

Payment will be made under:

Pay Item	Pay Unit
Sheet piles (Type)	Square foot
Temporary sheet piling	Square foot