831.01 Description

This Section provides for routine maintenance of various types of ditches to provide a waterway which is unobstructed, as shown on the ROAD LISTING or DESIGNATED ON THE GROUND.

831.02 Maintenance Requirements

A. Maintain ditches by removing rock, soil, wood, and other materials. Maintained ditches shall function to meet the intent of the original design.

B. Undercutting backslopes during removal operations is not permitted.

C. Suitable material up to 4 inches in greatest dimension removed from the ditches may be blended into existing native road surface and shoulder or placed in designated berm.

D. Do not blend material from ditch cleaning operations into aggregate surfaced roads. Do not blade material across aggregate or bituminous surfaced roads, unless approved in writing by the Contracting Officer.

E. Haul material in excess of 831.02 D or subject to 831.02 E to a designated waste area under Section T-832. Remove excess materials temporarily stored on the ditch slope or edge of the shoulder daily.

F. Remove limbs and wood chunks in excess of 12 inches in length or 3 inches in diameter from ditches and place outside the roadway.

G. Clean paved surfaces of all materials resulting from ditch maintenance work.

- H. Shape lead-off ditches to drain away from the traveled way.
- I. Where DESIGNATED ON THE GROUND, included in the ROAD LISTING, SHOWN ON THE DRAWINGS or as ordered by the Contracting Officer invasive species of concern prevention practices shall be followed as listed below.

Invasive Species of Concern Prevention Practices

To be filled in by local FS invasive plant specialist, if applicable.