

# DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION STANDARDS MANUAL

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# 2021 Update Released

- Effective June 28, 2021
- Available on the Design and Construction Standards home page
- Updates in chapters 2, 4, 7, and 8
- Released with:
  - Summary of Changes 2020 to 2021
  - Design Waiver Approval Routing Flowchart
  - Submittal Checklists
  - Appendix H – Maintenance of Traffic Plans (revised)
  - Appendix I – Approved Plant and Tree Lists



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# Summary of Changes DCSM 2020 to 2021 Revision 1

- Posted on the Design and Construction Standards home page
- Organized by chapters with appendices listed at the end
- Sections with changes are listed in order
- Sections or points relocated in the 2021 DCSM are cross-referenced with the original locations in the 2020 DCSM
- Incorporates changes for 2021 DCSM Revision 1

## General Information

Chapter titles and the order of chapters did not change for the 2021 DCSM. Significant changes were made to chapters 2, 4, 7, and 8. Changes to the text from the 2020 to the 2021 version (additions, replacements, removals, etc.) are listed in the summary of changes by 2021 DCSM section numbers. New appendices are listed at the end.

Most of the section numbers did not change from the 2020 to the 2021 version. For sections or numbered items that changed, the 2020 section numbering is included in parentheses. Changes made to the 2021 DCSM Revision 1 release are incorporated in the summary.

Examples of references to the 2020 sections or item numbers:

- 1.3.8.3 (2020, 1.3.7.3): Section 1.3.7.3 in the 2020 DCSM was renumbered as 1.3.8.3 for the 2021 DCSM.
- 2.6.5.12, #6.d (2020, 7.8.2, #2): Text from point 2 in section 7.8.2 of the 2020 DCSM was moved to become point 6.d in section 2.6.5.12 for the 2021 DCSM.
- 7.7.2, #6 (2020, 7.7.5, #4 and #5): Text from points 4 and 5 in section 7.7.5 of the 2020 DCSM were combined into point 6 of section 7.7.2 for the 2021 DCSM.

## Summary of Changes from the May 2020 Version to the 2021 Version Rev. 1

### OVERALL DOCUMENT

- Updated AVP & CFO to VPCPIF.
- Updated Facilities Department to Campus Planning, Infrastructure, and Facilities or CPIF.
- Added a Table of Tables and a Table of Figures after the Table of Contents.
- Added references to the new design phase submittal checklists for narratives and drawings in locations where the 2020 text referred to sections and lists in chapter 2.
- Changed custodial to housekeeping for clarity.

### CHAPTER 1 – GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

- 1.1.1: Added CPIF and VPCPIF to the acronyms. Removed AVP & CFO.
- 1.1.2: Added Accessible, Accessibility, and Universal to the terms.
- 1.2.3: Added a reference to the drawing checklists for the design phases.
- 1.2.5: Added a reference to the new Vegetative Roofs section in 5.5.9.
- 1.2.5.2: Added a paragraph about the Virginia Tech Comprehensive Waste Management Plan.
- 1.2.5.2, #1.a: Removed the requirement for the size of the concrete slab.





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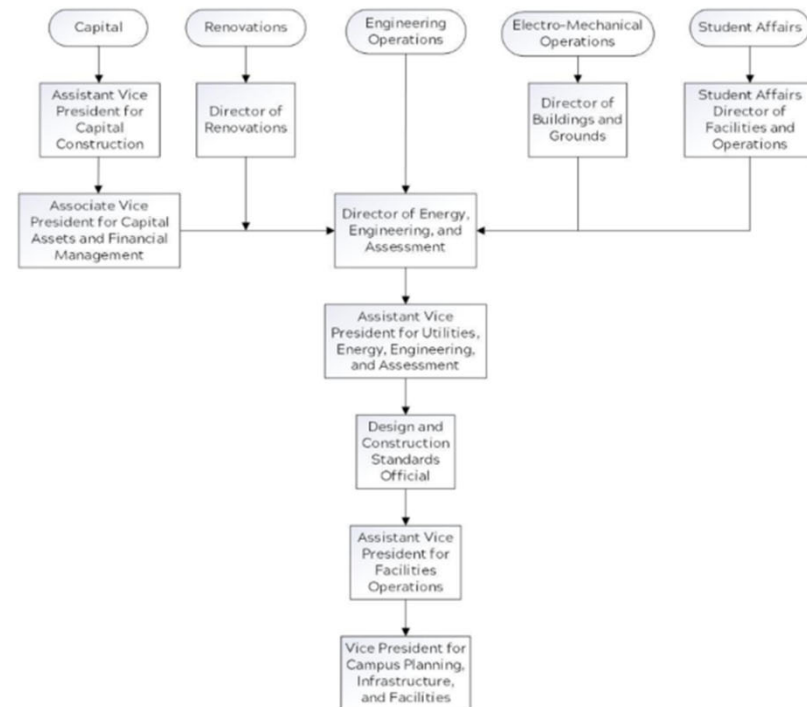


# Design Waivers

- Added requirements for the A/E:
  - Initiate the design waiver with the VT PM
  - Provide supporting documents to the VT PM
  - Submit the request as soon as possible in the design process
- Added the requirement obtaining pre-approvals from departments affected by the design change
- Added the requirement to submit the design waiver record electronically following the Design Waiver Approval Routing Flowchart
- CHECK FOR THE LATEST FLOWCHART before submitting a design waiver request

## DESIGN WAIVER APPROVAL ROUTING FLOWCHART

All requests for design waivers shall be routed electronically through the approval path shown below. Refer to section 1.3.5 in the Design and Construction Standards Manual for design waiver request requirements.



# Additions

- Environmental permits (1.3.6)
- Baby changing facilities (1.7.3.5.3)
- General notes for Contractor parking and traffic (2.6.5.12)
- Planting specifications (4.3.5) and installation maintenance (4.3.6)
- Transportation and traffic = all mobility (4.8)
- Bicycle parking calculations (4.8.3.1)
- Vegetative roofs (5.5.9)
- Authority of the CFR (8.1.4)



# Subtractions

## • Chapter 2 design phase submittal lists

12. Erosion/sediment control measures and storm water management facilities

13. Typical cross sections of embankments or roadway construction indicating depths and extents of special compaction.

14. Details of subsurface drain construction (including drains behind retaining walls).

15. Have specifications been tailored for this project?

16. Has "suitable soils" listing been tailored to site?

17. Have procedures for filling, backfilling and compacting been specified?

18. Have specifications identified the tests to be performed on fill/backfill and the standards to be met to assure quality?

### 2.7.7.3.2 Clearing and Grubbing

Show the following information on the project drawings:

1. Limits of clearing

2. Property lines

3. Trees and shrubs to remain in area to be cleared and protection required

4. Trees to be removed in areas which are not to be cleared

5. Identify area to be totally cleared and grubbed

### 2.7.7.3.3 General Excavation, Backfilling and Compaction

Show the following information on the project drawings:

1. Surface elevations (contours, spot elevations) of existing and new;

2. Location of underground obstructions and existing subsurface drains.

3. Location of borings and test pits and logs of borings. Include ground water observations and topsoil in boring, soil classifications.

4. Location of borrow and disposal area if located on site.

5. Clearing stripping and grubbing limits, if different from limits;

6. Areas to be seeded or sodded identified;

7. Hydrological data including 100-year floodplains.

8. Shoring and sheeting (if required) and design to be used by Contractor's shoring and sheeting engineer.

9. Pipe trench excavation details.

10. Erosion/sediment control measures and storm water management facilities

### 2.7.7.3.4 Excavation, Backfill and Compaction

Show the following information on the project drawings:

1. Location and logs of soil borings, water level data, etc.

2. Hydrological data including 100-year floodplains.

3. Surface elevations, existing and new.

4. Location of underground obstructions and existing subsurface drains.

5. Sources of borrow material if on state property or adjacent property.

6. Limits of areas to be cleared of trees, shrubs, etc.

7. Disposal areas for brush and wasted soil if on site.

8. Location and length of continuous concrete or steel sleeves. Details/table of width and depth of sleeves for each type of pipe or appurtenance. Details of pipe in varying earth and rock conditions; boring logs.

9. Typical detail of method of stabilizing weak foundation soils.

10. Details of special construction such as underpinning, right-of-way requirements for jacking and boring.

11. Details of sewage absorption trenches, absorption, subsurface drains.

12. Identify, detail, or note areas to receive topsoil sodded and thickness of topsoil to be placed.

13. Details of pavement repair.

### 2.7.7.3.5 Erosion and Sediment Control/Stormwater Management

Show the following information on the project drawings:

1. Temporary control devices required during construction.

2. Permanent control devices to regulate rate of erosion and control future erosion.

3. Stabilization methods for soil stockpiles.

4. Temporary and permanent erosion control and sedimentation for borrow/waste areas.

### 2.7.7.3.6 Pavement and Associated Work

Show the following information on the project drawings:

1. Typical section of each type or thickness of pavement showing dimensions and geometry, slopes, etc.

2. Dimensions defining the limits and shape of pavements.

3. Details with dimensions of curbs, curb and gutter, medians, curb cuts, ramps, and drainage.

4. Layout of parking spaces, pavement markings and painted indicators including accessibility requirements of the ADA Standards for Accessible Design.

5. Existing and new grading contours or spot elevations.

6. New contours and spot elevations of pavements, slopes and directions of drainage.

7. Drainage structures including manholes, catch basins, sizes of piping/culverts and lighting standards.

### 2.7.7.3.7 Fence, Chain Link

Show the following information on the project drawings:

1. Fence alignment

2. Posts: Minimum height to accommodate size for line posts, corner posts, pull posts.

3. Post setting dimensions: Not less than in manufacturer's installation standards. As required in concrete slabs and walls will be at least 4 inches.

4. Chain link fabric: Show height and size of fabric.

5. As required: Top rail, bottom rail, top and bottom and where a higher degree of security is required, include barbed wire on support.

6. Sleeve type expansion couplings: Specify on centers, if used.

7. Gates: location, size, and type. Include frame, bracing, locking hasps, hinges, center pivot.

8. Where special fencing requirements exist for security, include provisions, crossing drains, electrical installations, or special security.

should be modified and appropriate modifications and details should be shown on the drawings.

9. Where special entrance security requirements exist, include provisions for locks, motor operated gates, closed circuit television, etc. modify the specification according to the project requirements.

10. Other information necessary to indicate configuration of the fence.

### 2.7.7.3.8 Turf

Show the following information on the project drawings:

1. Clearly indicate all areas to be turfed.

2. All turf specifications shall be written and conditions peculiar to the project shall be indicated.

### 2.7.7.3.9 Landscaping, Trees and Shrubs

Show the following information on the project drawings:

1. Description, number and size of trees and shrubs.

2. Layout/location of various trees and shrubs.

3. Details of planting requirements including excavations, mulching, protection, etc.

4. Layouts and controls for irrigation systems.

5. Are tree and plants located away from utility lines, site improvements and structures?

### 2.7.7.4 Demolition Drawings

For total building demolition:

1. Provide plan of building with length and width.

2. Provide elevations (drawn or photographed) of building to be demolished.

3. Limits of demolition

4. Depth of demolition and detail for term of demolition.

5. Provide details of termination of demolition.

6. Locations of any monitoring stations required for monitoring responses, etc.

7. Provide Asbestos and Lead Disclosure Statements

For interior/selective demolition:

1. Provide floor plans showing existing partition and showing or describing existing material and construction to be removed.

2. Provide information or estimates for bidding for work to be removed.

3. Provide Asbestos and Lead Disclosure Statements

### 2.7.7.5 Landscape Architecture Drawings

Include the following drawings. See DCSM section 2.3.2 for drawing requirements.

1. Existing conditions
2. Site demolition
3. Layout and dimensions
4. Accessibility plan
5. Scoring plan
6. Wayfinding/signage plan
7. Grading plan
8. Planting concepts
9. Planting schedule
10. Site details

### 2.7.7.6 Foundations

#### 2.7.7.6.1 Round Timber Piles

Show the following information on the project drawings:

1. Plan layout (singles and clusters, show cluster layout)
2. Batter pile angle.
3. Design loads
4. Location of test pile, unless option to allow direction by the engineer is selected.
5. Tip elevation (estimated elevations/depths for bidding).
6. Cutoff elevation (top elevation)
7. Subsurface soil data logs shall be shown on the drawings. The entire soils report must also be included in an appendix to the specifications.
8. Staging area, if other than within the limits of work shown on the site plan.
9. Sections, details, dimensions and reinforcement of pile caps.

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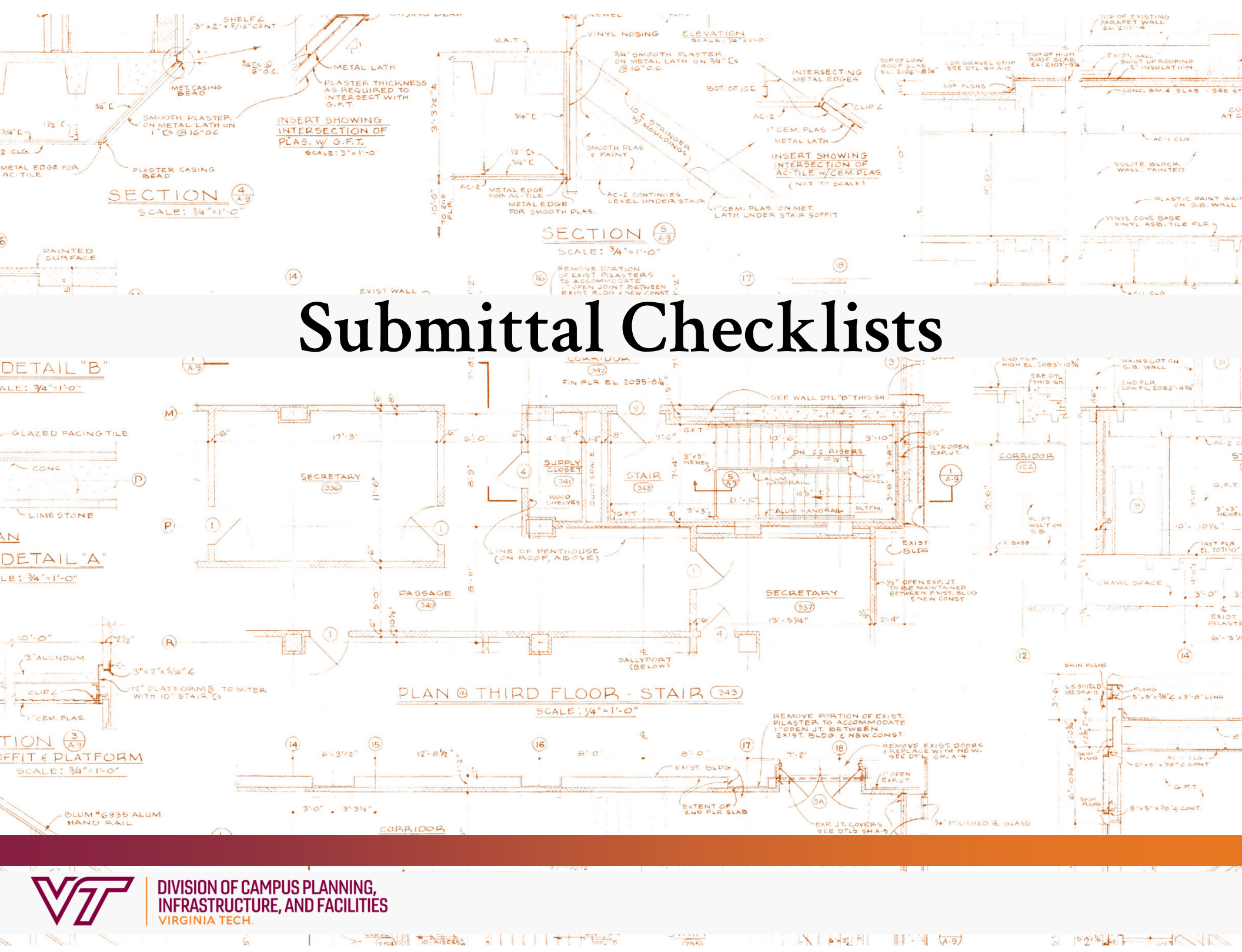
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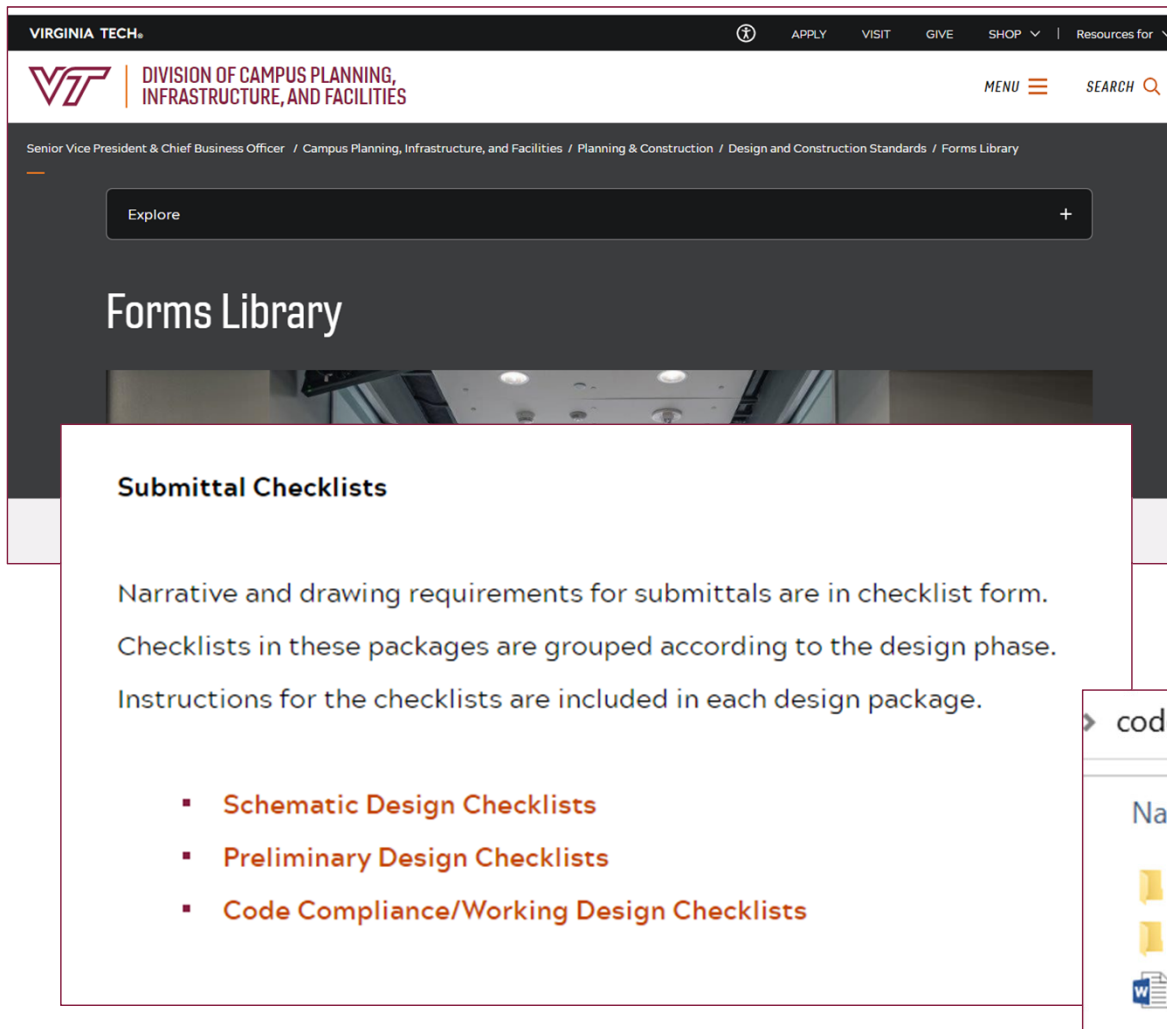
# Submittal Checklists



# Submittal Checklists for Narratives and Drawings

Selecting a checklist package on the Forms Library web page will initiate the download of the ZIP file.

Inside the file are instructions, checklists for the narrative, and checklists for the drawings.



The screenshot shows the Virginia Tech website's Forms Library page. The header includes the Virginia Tech logo and navigation links. The main content area is titled "Forms Library" and features a search bar. A modal window is open, displaying the "Submittal Checklists" section. This section explains that narrative and drawing requirements are in checklist form, grouped by design phase, and that instructions are included in each package. A list of three checklist packages is provided: Schematic Design Checklists, Preliminary Design Checklists, and Code Compliance/Working Design Checklists. A separate inset shows a file explorer view of the downloaded ZIP file, containing folders for "Code Compliance Narrative" and "Working Drawings", and a document titled "Checklist Instructions Working Design Phase.docx".

**Submittal Checklists**

Narrative and drawing requirements for submittals are in checklist form. Checklists in these packages are grouped according to the design phase. Instructions for the checklists are included in each design package.

- **Schematic Design Checklists**
- **Preliminary Design Checklists**
- **Code Compliance/Working Design Checklists**

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Name

- Code Compliance Narrative
- Working Drawings
- Checklist Instructions Working Design Phase.docx



# Checklist Instructions

- Instructions list all the checklists for that design phase (narrative and drawing)
- Checkboxes are provided to keep track of the checklists submitted in the design phase
- Sections in the DCSM are provided for additional details on the narrative or drawings
- Users are to complete checklists electronically and make a choice for each item (yes, no, or N/A)

## CHECKLIST INSTRUCTIONS

The checklists required for the code compliance/working phase of design are listed below. Include all checklists in the design submittal unless the VT PM indicates differently.

Use the checkboxes in this list to indicate which checklists have been completed for the design phase. Include a completed version of this master list with the design submittal.

Include code compliance narrative checklist information in the phase submittal. See DCSM sections 2.1 and 2.6 for additional details on the narrative.

Include working drawing checklist information with the project drawings. See DCSM sections 2.3 and 2.6 for additional details on drawings.

Complete the package checklists electronically and indicate yes, no, or N/A for each item. Be prepared to explain responses if questioned by the VT PM or UBO.

### Code Compliance narrative checklists:

- ☐ General Requirements
- ☐ Civil and Environmental
- ☐ Hazardous Materials
- ☐ Architectural
- ☐ Structural
- ☐ Fire Systems
- ☐ Mechanical
- ☐ Power Plant
- ☐ Plumbing
- ☐ Electrical and Electronic Systems

### Working drawing checklists:























- ☐ Submittal Requirements
- ☐ General Requirements
- ☐ Title Sheets and Building Code Data
- ☐ Summary Floor Plan
- ☐ Site and Civil Plan
- ☐ Demolition
- ☐ Architectural
- ☐ Landscape Architectural
- ☐ Foundations
- ☐ Concrete
- ☐ Structural
- ☐ Roofing
- ☐ Special Requirements
- ☐ Openings
- ☐ Calculations
- ☐ Fire Systems
- ☐ Mechanical
- ☐ Utilities
- ☐ Plumbing
- ☐ Electrical
- ☐ Control Systems
- ☐ Furnishing and Equipment



# Submittal Checklists for Narratives and Drawings











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Name

-  Architectural Working Drawings checklist.docx
-  Calculations Working Drawings checklist.docx
-  Concrete Working Drawings checklist.docx
-  Control Systems Working Drawings checklist.docx
-  Demolition Working Drawings checklist.docx
-  Electrical Working Drawings checklist.docx
-  Fire Systems Working Drawings checklist.docx
-  Foundations Working Drawings checklist.docx
-  Furnishing and Equipment Working Drawings checklist.docx
-  General Requirements Working Drawings checklist.docx
-  Landscape Architectural Working Drawings checklist.docx
-  Mechanical Working Drawings checklist.docx
-  Openings Working Drawings checklist.docx
-  Plumbing Working Drawings checklist.docx
-  Roofing Working Drawings checklist.docx
-  Site and Civil Plan Working Drawings checklist.docx
-  Special Requirements Working Drawings checklist.docx
-  Structural Working Drawings checklist.docx
-  Submittal Requirements Working Drawings checklist.docx
-  Summary Floor Plan Working Drawings checklist.docx
-  Title Sheets and Building Code Data Working Drawings checklist.docx
-  Utilities Working Drawings checklist.docx

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Name

-  Architectural Code Compliance Narrative checklist.docx
-  Civil and Environmental Code Compliance Narrative checklist.docx
-  Electrical and Electronic Systems Code Compliance Narrative checklist.docx
-  Fire Systems Code Compliance Narrative checklist.docx
-  General Requirements Code Compliance Narrative checklist.docx
-  Hazardous Materials Code Compliance Narrative checklist.docx
-  Mechanical Code Compliance Narrative checklist.docx
-  Plumbing Code Compliance Narrative checklist.docx
-  Power Plant Code Compliance Narrative checklist.docx
-  Structural Code Compliance Narrative checklist.docx



# Submittal Checklists for Narratives and Drawings



## MECHANICAL

Code Compliance  
Narrative Requirements

Include the following information in the Code Compliance narrative. See DCSM sections 2.1 and 2.6 for additional details.

### Instructions:

Indicate your response to each item in the checklist. Select 'Yes' if the checklist item has been completed in full. Select 'No' or 'N/A' if that item is not included or not required for the specific project. Explain why that item has not been included in the submittal.

RESPONSE	REQUIREMENTS
	<b>Special Mechanical Systems</b>
Choose an item.	Provide a description of any special mechanical systems such as compressed air, hydraulic, nitrogen, etc. Include an explanation of the medium source.
	<b>Refrigeration (Cold Storage)</b>
Choose an item.	Identify areas to be refrigerated. Indicate their usage and temperatures to be maintained.
Choose an item.	Describe type of refrigeration equipment and systems.
Choose an item.	Include preliminary cooling profile, equipment, and tank sizes.
	<b>Thermal Storage</b>
Choose an item.	Describe the type of storage being considered (static or dynamic).
Choose an item.	Provide preliminary cooling profile.
Choose an item.	Provide preliminary equipment and tank sizes.
	<b>Heating, Ventilating, and Air Conditioning (HVAC) General</b>
Choose an item.	Describe the indoor and outdoor design conditions to be used in the design of the systems for this project. Confirm that energy sources for heating and cooling systems comply with the VT CAC and DCSM.
Choose an item.	Briefly describe the controls for each system and indicate intended sequence of operation.
Choose an item.	Briefly describe testing and balancing requirements to be required.
	<b>Heating, Ventilating, and Air Conditioning (HVAC) Heating</b>
Choose an item.	Describe the source of heat energy to be used, and explain why this source was selected instead of other available sources. Describe the type and routing of the proposed system to convey the heat source.

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Narrative Requirements

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## FOUNDATIONS

Working Drawings

Show the following information on the project drawings. See DCSM sections 2.3 and 2.6 for additional details on drawings.

### Instructions:

Indicate your response to each item in the checklist. Select 'Yes' if the checklist item has been completed in full. Select 'No' or 'N/A' if that item is not included or not required for the specific project. Explain why that item has not been included in the submittal.

RESPONSE	REQUIREMENTS
	<b>Round Timber Piles</b>
Choose an item.	Provide plan layout including singles and clusters. Show cluster layout.
Choose an item.	Show batter pile angle.
Choose an item.	Provide design loads.
Choose an item.	Show location of test pile, unless option to allow direction by the engineer is selected.
Choose an item.	Provide tip elevation (estimated elevations/depths for bidding).
Choose an item.	Provide cutoff elevation (top elevation).
Choose an item.	Show subsurface soil data logs on the drawings. Confirm that the entire soils report is included in an appendix to the specifications.
Choose an item.	Show staging area, if other than within the limits of work shown on the site plan.
Choose an item.	Show sections, details, dimensions, and reinforcement of pile caps.
	<b>Concrete-Filled Steel Casing Piles</b>
Choose an item.	Provide plan layout including singles and clusters. Show cluster layout.
Choose an item.	Show batter pile angle.
Choose an item.	Provide design load capacity.
Choose an item.	Show location of test pile, unless option to allow direction by the engineer is selected.
Choose an item.	Provide tip elevation (estimated elevations/depths for bidding).
Choose an item.	Provide cutoff elevation (top elevation).
Choose an item.	Show subsurface soil data logs on the drawings. Confirm that the entire soils report is included in an appendix to the specifications.
Choose an item.	Show staging area, if other than within the limits of work shown on the site plan.

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Requirements

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# Submittal Requirements Checklist

- Located in the drawings folder for each design package
- Required drawings and the corresponding completed drawing checklists are paired

Include the following information with the project drawings. See DCSM sections 2.3 and 2.6 for additional details on drawings.

### Instructions:

Indicate your response to each item in the checklist. Select 'Yes' if the checklist item has been completed in full. Select 'No' or 'N/A' if that item is not included or not required for the specific project. Explain why that item has not been included in the submittal.

RESPONSE	REQUIREMENTS
Choose an item.	Submit plans, specifications, cost estimates, and other data in accordance with DCSM section 1.5, the design phase requirements in DSCM section 2.6, and the code compliance checklists.
Choose an item.	Submit drawings in accordance with DCSM section 2.3, the working drawing requirements in DSCM section 2.6.5, and the working drawing checklists.
Choose an item.	Submit the complete project manual. Include front end documents, specifications, and appendices, if applicable. See DCSM section 1.5.4.
Choose an item.	Submit an updated A/E project cost estimate. See DCSM sections 2.2 and 2.6.3.
Choose an item.	Confirm that all plan sheets have a single location on the right side for a 2 1/4" x 2 1/4" box for the UBO stamp approval.
Choose an item.	Confirm that all site and civil plan sheets have a second location on the right side for a 2 1/4" x 2 1/4" box for SID stamp approval. This box may be above or below the dedicated location for the UBO stamp approval.
Choose an item.	Submit calculations and the completed working drawings checklist. See DCSM section 2.6.5.2.
Choose an item.	Submit record drawings and specifications. See DCSM section 2.6.5.3.
Choose an item.	Submit general requirements and the completed working drawings checklist.
Choose an item.	Submit title sheets and the completed working drawings checklist.
Choose an item.	Submit summary floor plan information and the completed working drawings checklist.
Choose an item.	Submit architectural drawings and the completed working drawings checklist. See DCSM section 2.6.5.5.
Choose an item.	Submit landscape architectural drawings and the completed working drawings checklist.
Choose an item.	Submit site drawings and the completed site and civil plan working drawings checklist.
Choose an item.	Submit demolition drawings and the completed working drawings checklist.
Choose an item.	Submit foundations drawings and the completed working drawings checklist.
Choose an item.	Submit concrete drawings and the completed working drawings checklist. See DCSM section 2.6.5.4.





# Changes

- Changed the Virginia Construction Code edition to 2018
- Comprehensive Waste Management Plan (1.2.5.2)
- Minimum hard copy requirements for project submissions (1.5.1)
- Cost estimate standards (2.2)
- Tree protection and preservation procedures (4.1.3)
- Tree planting and care (4.3)
- Transportation (4.8)
- Floor boxes (6.8.1)
- Traffic impacts and road construction (7.7)
- CFR (8.1)
- New Building Information form (8.9)



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- Updated to better match the demolition approval requirements in the *Code of Virginia*
- Clarified roles in planned demolitions:
  - Virginia Art and Architecture Board (AARB) (1.3.1, 1.3.8.2)
  - Virginia Department of Historic Resources (DHR) (1.3.3, 1.7.5)
  - Governor (1.3.3, 1.3.8.2, 1.7.5)
  - Board of Visitors (1.7.5)
- Added time requirements based on the AARB hearing date (1.3.8.2, 1.7.5)



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# Appendix H

## Maintenance of Traffic Plans



### MAINTENANCE OF TRAFFIC PLANS

Maintenance of traffic (MOT) plans, also known as traffic control plans or temporary traffic control (TTC) plans, should provide an overview of the traffic control phases for an impacted area. Provide at least one phase of construction and provide general notes to clarify and view illustrations. Include all field deviations in the final illustration.

The following guidance and plan-view illustration example for MOT plan submittals for all types of transportation and traffic design refer to vehicles, bikes, transit, pedestrians, and any other design to minimize impact and detours for everyone traveling. Designs for pedestrian pathways shall be in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and Accessible Design.

See DCSM sections 2.6.5.12, 4.8, 7.7, and 7.8 for additional information on parking requirements. Provide all required site plan checklist items.

When preparing MOT plans and plan-view illustrations, A/E/C firms should refer to the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD), the Virginia Supplement to the MUTCD, the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) Traffic Control Manual (TCM), and Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) Traffic Control Manual (TCM).

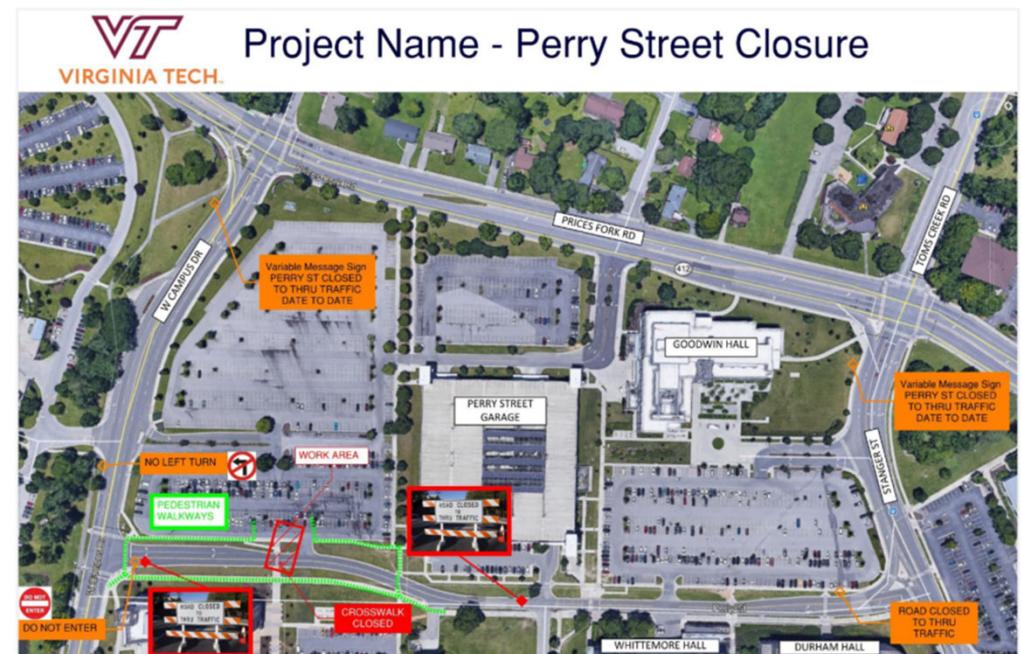
The following items should be considered and may be included in the MOT plan:

- Provide a description of the sequence of construction.
- Indicate if any property lines are crossed within the work area. Property owners have been contacted about the MOT plan.
- Provide the location of work zone (on the roadway, on the sidewalk, etc.).



### MAINTENANCE OF TRAFFIC PLANS

Plan-View Illustration Example





# Appendix I

## Approved Plant and Tree Lists

### App. I1 – Approved Woody & Herbaceous Plant List



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#### APPROVED WOODY & HERBACEOUS PLANT LIST

The plants on this list are approved for landscaping on the Virginia Tech campus. See DCSM sections 4.1 and 4.2 for landscaping and planting requirements. Provide all required landscape architectural checklists during phase submittals.

Plants on this list are alphabetical by genus (with shaded separations between). Common names, approved varieties, and notes about pollinators are provided in the list. Additional approval by OUP and Buildings and Grounds is required prior to installing evergreen perennials, herbaceous perennials, bulbs, vines, ferns, and ornamental grasses. Additional approval from the Campus Landscape Architect or University Arborist is required prior to installing flowering dogwood.

COMMON NAME	BOTANICAL NAME	VARIETIES
EVERGREEN SHRUBS		
Glossy Abelia	<i>Abelia x grandiflora</i>	'Kaleidoscope'; 'Edward Goucher'; 'Radiance'; 'Rose Creek'
Japanese Acuba	<i>Aucuba japonica</i>	'Rosannie'
Boxwood (disease-resistant varieties)	<i>Buxus hybrids</i>	'Green Gem'; 'Franklin's Gem'; 'North Star'
Boxwood	<i>Buxus sempervirens</i>	'North Star'; 'Dee Runk'
Dwarf Korean Boxwood	<i>Buxus sinica</i>	var. <i>insularis</i> 'Nana'
Japanese Boxwood (blight-resistant varieties only)	<i>Buxus microphylla</i>	var. <i>japonica</i> 'Green Beauty'; 'Golden Dream'; 'John Baldwin'; 'Winter Gem'; 'Little Missy'; 'Grace Hendrick Phillips'; 'Green Pillow'
Japanese Plum Yew	<i>Cephalotaxus harringtonia</i>	var. <i>drupacea</i> ; 'Duke Gardens'; 'Fastigiata'; 'Prostrata'
Graciosa Hinoki Cypress	<i>Chamaecyparis obtusa</i>	'Graciosa'
Fales Cypress	<i>Chamaecyparis pisifera</i>	'Soft Serve'; 'Pinpoint Blue'
Divinely Blue Deodar Cedar	<i>Cedrus deodara</i> 'Divinely Blue'	
Compact Cotoneaster	<i>Cotoneaster adpressus</i>	
Bearberry Cotoneaster	<i>Cotoneaster dammeri</i>	
Daphne	<i>Daphne tangutica</i>	'Summer Ice'
Great Orme Hebe	<i>Hebe 'Great Orme'</i>	
Southerland Hebe	<i>Hebe pinguifolia</i> 'Sutherlandii'	
Japanese Holly	<i>Ilex crenata</i>	'Helleri'; 'Soft Touch'; include a pollinator
Chinese Holly	<i>Ilex cornuta</i>	'Burford'; 'Dwarf Burford'; 'Carissa'; include a pollinator
Inkberry	<i>Ilex glabra</i>	'Gem Box'; include a pollinator
Blue Holly	<i>Ilex x meserveae</i>	'Monnieves'; 'Blue Princess'; 'Blue Prince'; include a pollinator
Yaupon Holly	<i>Ilex vomitoria</i>	include a pollinator
Chinese Juniper	<i>Juniperus chinensis</i>	'Montana Moss'; 'RIKAG'

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### App. I2 – Core Campus Approved Tree List



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#### VIRGINIA TECH CORE CAMPUS APPROVED TREE LIST

The trees on this list are approved for landscaping for the Virginia Tech Blacksburg campus. See DCSM section 4.3 for tree planting and care requirements and DCSM section 7.9.2 for tree and plant protection during construction.

Trees are listed by alphabetically by botanical names (with shaded separations between) and also with common names. Each is labeled with the minimum volume of soil required for planting the tree.

TREE SPECIES		MINIMUM SOIL VOLUME (CU. FT.)
COMMON NAME	BOTANICAL NAME	
EVERGREEN TREES		
Korean Fir	<i>Abies koreana</i>	600
Blue Atlas Cedar	<i>Cedrus atlantica</i>	1,500
Deodar Cedar	<i>Cedrus deodara</i>	1,500
Lebanese Cedar	<i>Cedrus libani</i>	1,500
Atlantic White Cedar	<i>Chamaecyparis thyoides</i>	1,500
Japanese Cedar	<i>Cryptomeria japonica</i>	600
Chinafir	<i>Cunninghamia lanceolata</i>	600
Leyland Cypress	<i>x Cupressocyparis leylandii</i>	600
American Holly	<i>Ilex opaca</i>	600
Eastern Red Cedar	<i>Juniperus virginiana</i>	600
Southern Magnolia	<i>Magnolia grandiflora</i>	1,500
Lacebark Pine	<i>Pinus bungeana</i>	600
Shortleaf Pine	<i>Pinus echinata</i>	600
Slash Pine	<i>Pinus ellottii</i>	1,500
Austrian Pine	<i>Pinus nigra</i>	600
Longleaf Pine	<i>Pinus palustris</i>	1,500
Pitch Pine	<i>Pinus rigida</i>	1000
Eastern White Pine	<i>Pinus strobus</i>	1,500
Loblolly Pine	<i>Pinus taeda</i>	1000
Japanese Black Pine	<i>Pinus thunbergii</i>	600
Virginia Pine	<i>Pinus virginiana</i>	600
Chinese Hemlock	<i>Tsuga chinensis</i>	1000
Arborvitae	<i>Thuja occidentalis</i>	1000
Chinese Arborvitae	<i>Thuja orientalis</i> ( <i>Platycladus orientalis</i> )	1000
Green Giant Western Red Cedar	<i>Thuja standishii x plicata</i> 'Green Giant'	1000

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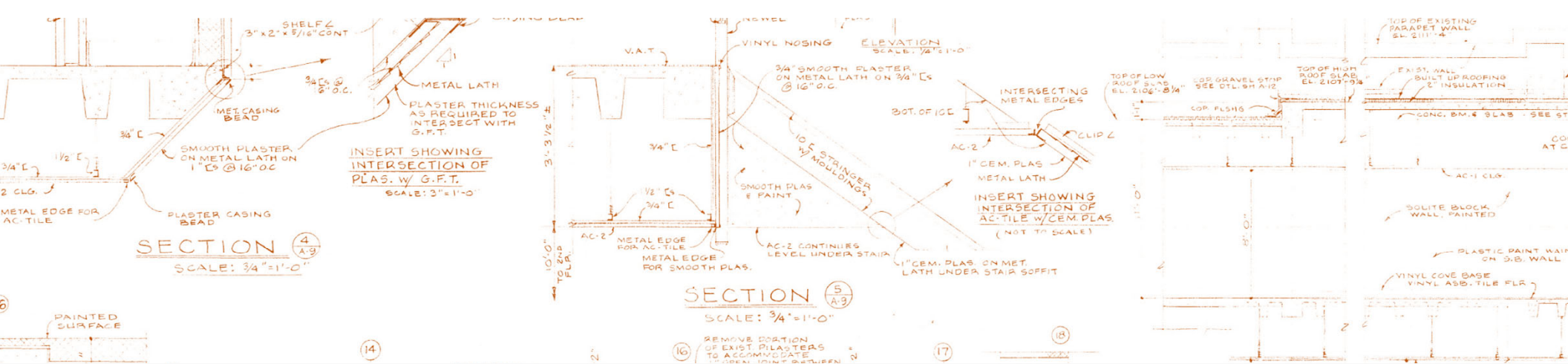
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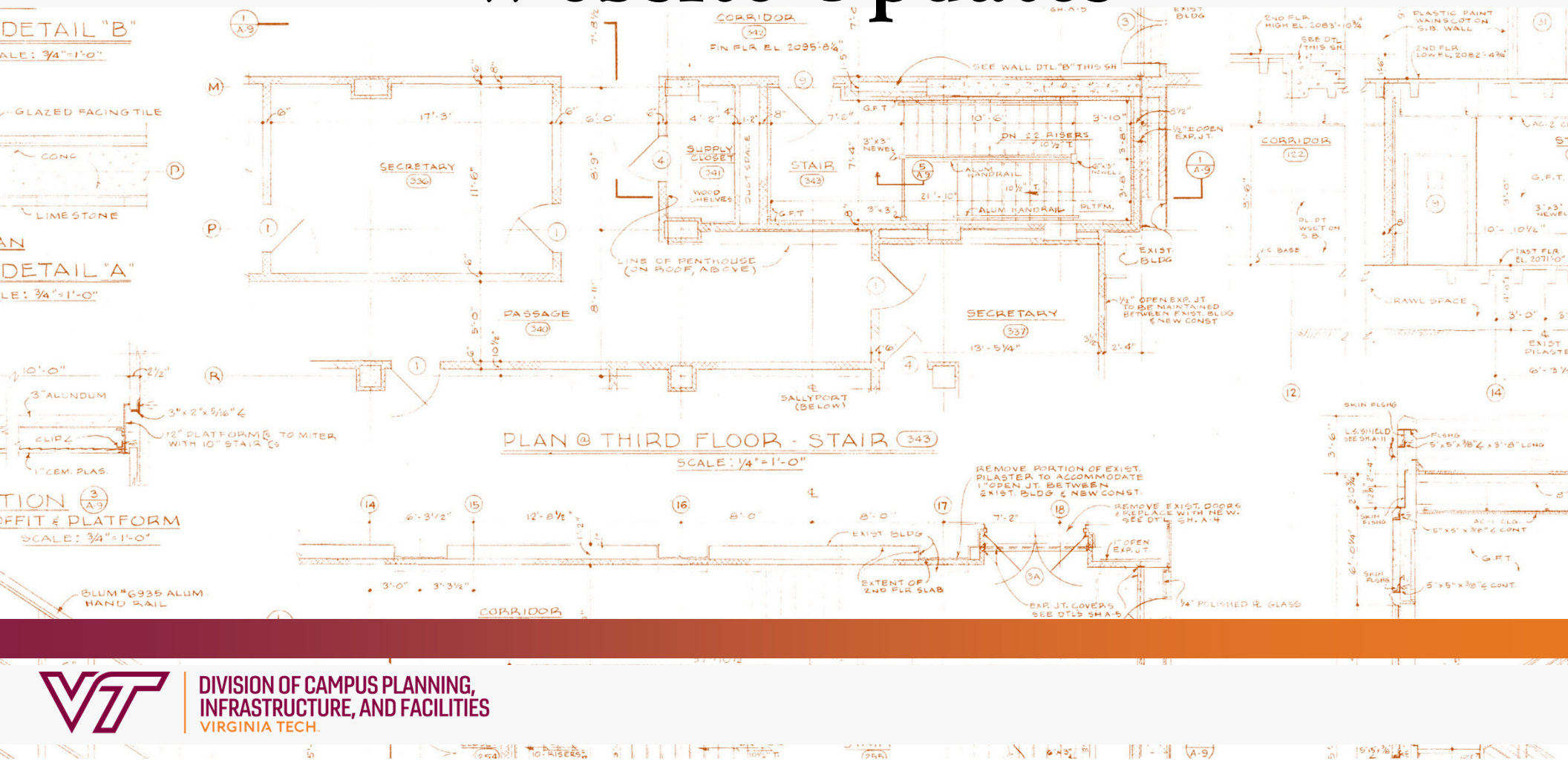
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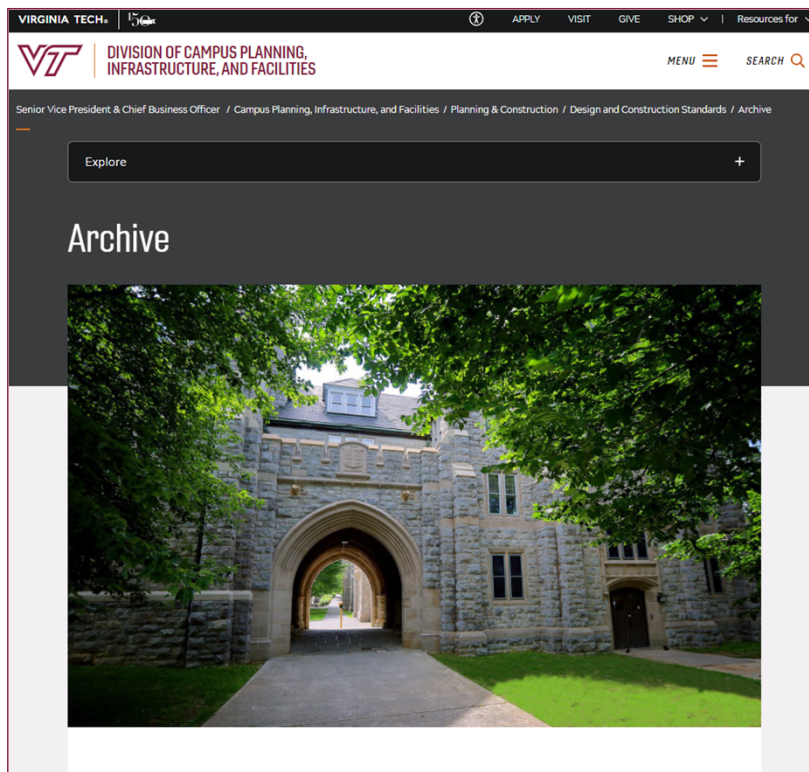
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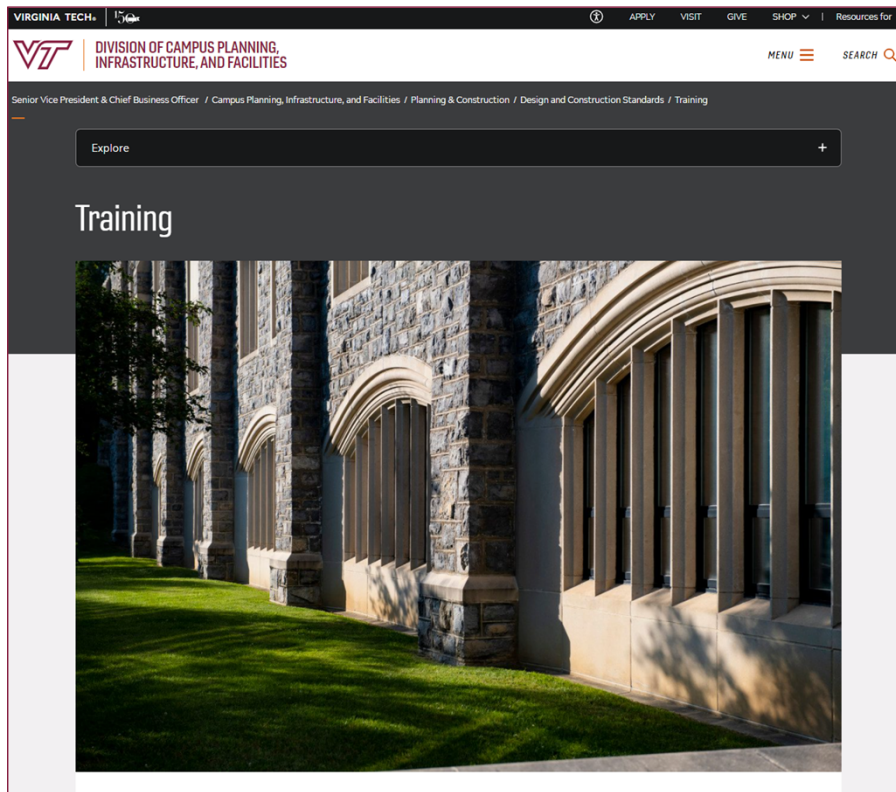
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**[Erosion and Sediment Control/Stormwater Management Program](#)** - Site plan review and approval forms to comply with the Erosion and Sediment Control and Stormwater Management Program are available. Forms are maintained by the **[Site and Infrastructure Development](#)** department.

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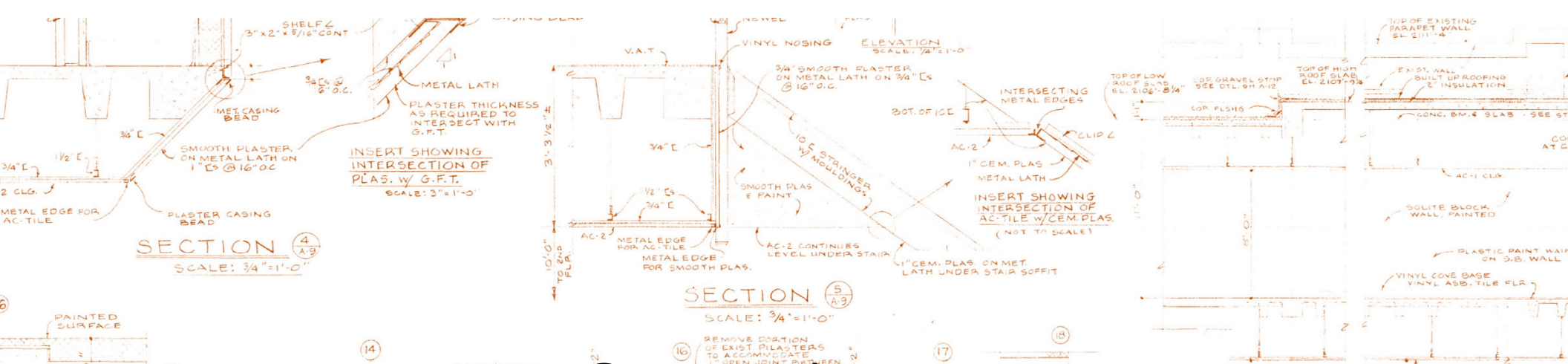




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