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NATIONAL ENGINEERING HANDBOOK
210-VI
PART 642

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SUBJECT: ENG - NEH Part 642 SPECIFICATIONS FOR CONSTRUCTION
CONTRACTING

Purpose. To distribute NEH Part 642 in its entirety as a complete replacement of National Engineering Handbook Section 20, "Specifications for Construction Contracting." This material is presented in the new NEH format. NEH-20 and all amendments are cancelled.

Effective Date. Effective upon receipt.

This notice provides a new construction specification reference in accordance with the NRCS Directive System.

Temporary retention of NEH-20 should be considered for those states that have on going contracts that may need contract modifications using specifications listed in NEH-20. All designs completed and solicitations issued on June 1, 2001, and thereafter, will utilize the specifications in NEH Part 642.

NEH Part 642 includes two new construction specifications, including the instructions, and two new material specifications:

The following Construction Specifications, with Instructions, are new:

- 97 HDPE & LLDPE Liner
- 98 Geosynthetic Clay Liner

The following Material Specifications are new:

- 594 HDPE & LLDPE Membrane Liner
- 595 Geosynthetic Clay Liner

The following specifications have had minor corrections:

CS51 Corrugated Metal Pipe,

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CS 94 Contractor Quality Control,

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MS 523 Rock for Riprap, and

MS 581 Metal

The format for the construction specification instructions and the material specifications has been changed to two columns. This change is in accordance with the format used by other standard and specification sources such as ASTM, etc. The one-column format for the construction specifications remains.

Filing Instructions.

Remove NEH Section 20 and all amendments. Insert NEH Part 642.

Additional copies may be obtained by ordering NEH-642 from the GSA National Forms and Publications Center, 7 CPN, Warehouse 4, Dock 1, 501 West Felix Street, Fort Worth, Texas 76115, using GSA Form 49.



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Attachment