APPENDIX

CSX TRANSPORTATION

CONSTRUCTION SUBMISSION CRITERIA

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INTRODUCTION

The intent of this document is to guide outside agencies and their Contractors when performing work on, over, or with potential to impact CSX property (ROW). Work plans shall be submitted for review to the designated CSX Engineering Representative for all work which presents the potential to affect CSX property or operations; this document shall serve as a guide in preparing these work plans. All work shall be performed in a manner that does not adversely impact CSX operations or safety; as such, the requirements of this document shall be strictly adhered to, in addition to all other applicable standards associated with the construction. Applicable standards include, but are not limited to, CSX Standards and Special Provisions, CSX Insurance Requirements, CSX Pipeline Occupancy Criteria, as well as the governing local, county, state and federal requirements. It shall be noted that this document and all other CSX standards are subject to change without notice, and future revisions will be made available at the CSX website: www.csx.com.

I. DEFINITIONS

1. Agency – The project sponsor (i.e., State DOT, Local Agencies, Private Developer, etc.)

2. AREMA – American Railway Engineering and Maintenance-of-Way Association – the North American railroad industry standards group. The use of this term shall be in specific reference to the AREMA Manual for Railway Engineering.

3. Construction Submission – The Agency or its representative shall submit six (6) sets of plans, supporting calculations, and detailed means and methods procedures for the specific proposed activity. All plans, specifications, and supporting calculations shall be signed/sealed by a Professional Engineer as defined below.

4. Controlled Demolition – Removal of an existing structure or subcomponents in a manner that positively prevents any debris or material from falling, impacting, or otherwise affecting CSX employees, equipment or property. Provisions shall be made to ensure that there is no impairment of railroad operations or CSX's ability to access its property at all times.

5. Contractor – The Agency's representative retained to perform the project work.

6. Engineer – CSX Engineering Representative or a GEC authorized to act on the behalf of CSX.

7. Flagman – A qualified CSX employee with the sole responsibility to direct or restrict movement of trains, at or through a specific location, to provide protection for workers.

8. GEC – General Engineering Consultant who has been authorized to act on the behalf of CSX.

9. Horizontal Clearance – Distance measured perpendicularly from centerline of any track to the nearest obstruction at any elevation between TOR and the maximum vertical clearance of the track.

10. Professional Engineer – An engineer who is licensed in State or Commonwealth in which the project is to occur. All plans, specifications, and supporting calculations shall be prepared by the Licensed Professional Engineer and shall bear his/her seal and signature.

11. Potential to Foul – Work having the possibility of impacting CSX property or operations; defined as one or more of the following:

   a. Any activity where access onto CSX property is required.

b. Any activity where work is being performed on CSX ROW.

c. Any excavation work adjacent to CSX tracks or facilities, within the Theoretical Railroad Live Load Influence Zone, or where the active earth pressure zone extends within the CSX property limits.

d. The use of any equipment where, if tipped and laid flat in any direction (360 degrees) about its center pin, can encroach within twenty five feet (25'-0") of the nearest track centerline. This is based upon the proposed location of the equipment during use, and may be a function of the equipment boom length. Note that hoisting equipment with the potential to foul must satisfy the 150% factor of safety requirement for lifting capacities.

e. Any work where the scatter of debris, or other materials has the potential to encroach within twenty five feet (25'-0") of the nearest track centerline.

f. Any work where significant vibration forces may be induced upon the track structure or existing structures located under, over, or adjacent to the track structure.

g. Any other work which poses the potential to disrupt rail operations, threaten the safety of railroad employees, or otherwise negatively impact railroad property, as determined by CSX.

12. ROW – Right of Way; Refers to CSX Right-of-Way as well as all CSX property and facilities. This includes all aerial space within the property limits, and any underground facilities.

13. Submission Review Period - a minimum of thirty (30) days in advance of start of work. Up to thirty (30) days will be required for the initial review response. Up to an additional thirty (30) days may be required to review any/all subsequent submissions or resubmission.

14. Theoretical Railroad Live Load Influence Zone – A 1 horizontal to 1 vertical theoretical slope line starting at bottom corner of tie.

15. TOR – Top of Rail. This is the base point for clearance measurements. It refers to the crown (top) of the steel rail; the point where train wheels bear on the steel rails.

16. Track Structure – All load bearing elements which support the train. This includes, but is not limited to, the rail, ties, appurtenances, ballast, sub-ballast, embankment, retaining walls, and bridge structures.

17. Vertical Clearance – Distance measured from TOR to the lowest obstruction within six feet (6'-0") of the track centerline, in either direction.

II. GENERAL SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

A. A construction work plan is required to be submitted by the Agency or its Contractor, for review and acceptance, prior to accessing or performing any work with Potential to Foul.

B. The Agency or its representative shall submit six (6) sets of plans, specifications, supporting calculations, and detailed means and methods procedures for the specific proposed work activity.

C. Construction submissions shall include all information relevant to the work activity, and shall clearly and concisely explain the nature of the work, how it is being performed, and what measures are being taken to ensure that railroad property and operations are continuously maintained.

D. All construction plans shall include a map of the work site, depicting the CSX tracks, the CSX right of way, proposed means of access, proposed locations for equipment and material staging (dimensioned from nearest track centerline), as well as all other relevant project information. An elevation drawing may also be necessary in order to depict clearances or other components of the work.

E. Please note that CSX will not provide pricing to individual contractors involved in bidding projects. Bidding contractors shall request information from the agency and not CSX.

F. The Contractor shall install a geotextile fabric ballast protection system to prevent construction or demolition debris and fines from fouling ballast. The geotextile ballast protection system shall be installed and maintained by the Contractor to the satisfaction of the Engineer.

G. The Engineer shall be kept aware of the construction schedule. The Contractor shall provide timely communication to the Engineer when scheduling the work such that the Engineer may be present during the work. The Contractor's schedule shall not dictate the work plan review schedule, and flagging shall not be scheduled prior to receipt of an accepted work plan.

H. At any time during construction activities, the Engineer may require revisions to the previously approved procedures to address weather, site conditions or other circumstances that may create a potential hazard to rail operations or CSX facilities. Such revisions may require immediate interruption or termination of ongoing activities until such time the issue is resolved to the Engineer's satisfaction. CSX and its GEC shall not be responsible for any additional costs or time claims associated with such revisions.

I. Blasting will not be permitted to demolish a structure over or within CSX's right-of-way. When blasting off of CSX property but with Potential to Foul, vibration monitoring, track settlement surveying, and/or other protective measures may be required as determined by the Engineer.

J. Blasting is not permitted adjacent to CSX right-of-way without written approval from the Chief Engineer, CSX.

K. Mechanical and chemical means of rock removal must be explored before blasting is considered. If written permission for the use of explosives is granted, the Agency or Contractor must submit a work plan satisfying the following requirements:

1. Blasting shall be done with light charges under the direct supervision of a responsible officer or employee of the Agency or Contractor.

2. Electronic detonating fuses shall not be used because of the possibility of premature explosions resulting from operation of two-way train radios.

3. No blasting shall be done without the presence of an authorized representative of CSX. Advance notice to the Engineer is required to arrange for the presence of an authorized CSX representative and any flagging that CSX may require.

4. Agency or Contractor must have at the project site adequate equipment, labor and materials, and allow sufficient time, to clean up debris resulting from the blasting and correct any misalignment of tracks or other damage to CSX property resulting from the blasting. Any corrective measures required must be performed as directed by the Engineer at the Agency's or Contractor's expense without any delay to trains. If Agency's or Contractor's actions result in the delay of any trains including passenger trains, the Agency or Contractor shall bear the entire cost thereof.

5. The Agency or Contractor may not store explosives on CSX property.

6. At any time during blasting activities, the Engineer may require revisions to the previously approved procedures to address weather, site conditions or other circumstances that may create a potential hazard to rail operations or CSX facilities. Such revisions may require immediate interruption or termination of ongoing activities until such time the issue is resolved to the Engineer's satisfaction. CSX and its GEC shall not be responsible for any additional costs or time claims associated with such revisions.

III. HOISTING OPERATIONS

A. All proposed hoisting operations with Potential to Foul shall be submitted in accordance with the following:

1. A plan view drawing shall depict the work site, the CSX track(s), the proposed location(s) of the lifting equipment, as well as the proposed locations for picking, any intermediate staging, and setting the load(s). All locations shall be dimensioned from centerline of the nearest track. Crane locations shall also be dimensioned from a stationary point at the work site for field confirmation.

2. Computations showing the anticipated weight of all picks. Computations shall be made based upon the field-verified plans of the existing structure. Pick weights shall account for the weight of concrete rubble or other materials attached to the component being removed; this includes the weight of subsequent rigging devices/components. Rigging components shall be sized for the subsequent pick weight.

3. All lifting equipment, rigging devices, and other load bearing elements shall have a rated (safe lifting) capacity that is greater than or equal to 150% of the load it is carrying, as a factor of safety. Supporting calculations shall be furnished to verify the minimum capacity requirement is maintained for the duration of the hoisting operation.

4. Dynamic hoisting operations are prohibited when carrying a load with the Potential to Foul. Cranes or other lifting equipment shall remain stationary during lifting. (i.e., no moving picks).

5. For lifting equipment, the manufacturer's capacity charts, including crane, counterweight, maximum boom angle, and boom nomenclature is to be submitted.

6. A schematic rigging diagram must be provided to clearly call out each rigging component from crane hook to the material being hoisted. Copies of catalog or information sheets shall be provided to verify rigging weights and capacities.

7. For built-up rigging devices, the contractor shall submit the following:

i. Details of the device, calling out material types, sizes, connections and other properties.

ii. Load test certification documents and/or design computations bearing the seal and signature of a Professional Engineer. Load test shall be performed in the configuration of its intended use as part of the subject demolition procedure.

iii. Copies of the latest inspection reports of the rigging device. The device shall be inspected within one (1) calendar year of the proposed date for use.

8. A detail shall be provided showing the crane outrigger setup, including dimensions from adjacent slopes or facilities. The detail shall indicate requirements for bearing surface preparation, including material requirements and compaction efforts. As a minimum, outriggers and/or tracks shall bear on mats, positioned on level material with adequate bearing capacity.

9. A complete written narrative that describes the sequence of events, indicating the order of lifts and any repositioning or re-hitching of the crane(s).

IV. DEMOLITION PROCEDURE

A. The Agency or its Contractor shall submit a detailed procedure for a controlled demolition of any structure on, over, or adjacent to the ROW. The controlled demolition procedure must be approved by the Engineer prior to beginning work on the project.

B. Existing Condition of structure being demolished:

1. The Contractor shall submit as-built plans for the structure(s) being demolished

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2. If as-built plans are unavailable, the Contractor shall perform an investigation of the structure, including any foundations, substructures, etc. The field measurements are to be made under the supervision of the Professional Engineer submitting the demolition procedure. Findings shall be submitted as part of the demolition means and methods submittal for review by the Engineer.

3. Any proposed method for temporary stabilization of the structure during the demolition shall be based on the existing plans or investigative findings, and submitted as part of the demolition means and methods for review by the Engineer.

C. Demolition work plans shall include a schematic plan depicting the proposed locations of the following, at various stages of the demolition:

1. All cranes and equipment, calling out the operating radii.

2. All proposed access and staging locations with all dimensions referenced from the center line of the nearest track

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3. Proposed locations for stockpiling material or locations for truck loading

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4. The location, with relevant dimensions, of all tracks, other railroad facilities; wires, poles, adjacent structures, or buried utilities that could be affected, showing that the proposed lifts are clear of these obstructions.

5. Note that no crane or equipment may be set on the CSX rails or track structure and no material may be dropped on CSX property.

D. Demolition submittal shall also include the following information:

1. All hoisting details, as dictated by Section III of this document.

2. A time schedule for each of the various stages must be shown as well as a schedule for the entire lifting procedure. The proposed time frames for all critical subtasks (i.e., torch/saw cutting various portions of the superstructure or substructure, dismantling splices, installing temporary bracing, etc.) shall be furnished so that the potential impact(s) to CSX operations may be assessed and eliminated or minimized.

3. The names and experience of the key Contractor personnel involved in the operation shall be included in the Contractor's means and methods submission.

4. Design and supporting calculations shall be prepared, signed, and sealed by the Professional Engineer for items including the temporary support of components or intermediate stages shall be submitted for review. A guardrail will be required to be installed in a track in the proximity of temporary bents or shoring towers, when located within twelve feet (12'-0") from the centerline of the track. The guardrail will be installed by CSX forces, at the expense of the Agency or its contractor.

E. Girders or girder systems shall be stable at all times during demolition. Temporary bracing shall be provided at the piers, abutments, or other locations to resist overturning and/or buckling of the member(s). The agency shall submit a design and details of the proposed temporary bracing system, for review by the Engineer. Lateral wind forces for the temporary conditions shall be considered in accordance with AREMA, Chapter 8, Section 28.6.2. The minimum lateral wind pressure shall be fifteen pounds per square foot (15 psf).

F. Existing, obsolete, bridge piers shall be removed to a minimum of three feet (3'-0") below the finished grade, final ditch line invert, or as directed by the Engineer.

G. A minimum quantity of twenty five (25) tons of CSX approved granite track ballast may be required to be furnished and stockpiled on site by the Contractor, or as directed by the Engineer.

H. The use of acetylene gas is prohibited for use on or over CSX property. Torch cutting shall be performed utilizing other materials such as propane.

I. CSX's tracks, signals, structures, and other facilities shall be protected from damage during demolition of existing structure or replacement of deck slab.

J. Demolition Debris Shield

1. On-track or ground-level debris shields (such as crane mats) are prohibited for use by CSX.

2. Demolition Debris Shield shall be installed prior to the demolition of the bridge deck or other relevant portions of the structure. The demolition debris shield shall be erected from the underside of the bridge over the track area to catch all falling debris. The debris shield shall not be the primary means of debris containment.

i. The demolition debris shield design and supporting calculations, all signed/sealed by a Professional Engineer, shall be submitted for review and acceptance.

ii. The demolition debris shield shall have a minimum design load of 50 pounds per square foot (50 psf) plus the weight of the equipment, debris, personnel, and all other loads.

iii. The Contractor shall verify the maximum particle size and quantity of the demolition debris generated during the procedure does not exceed the shield design loads. Shield design shall account for loads induced by particle impact; however the demolition procedure shall be such that impact forces are minimized. The debris shield shall not be the primary means of debris containment.

iv. The Contractor shall include installation/removal means and methods for the demolition debris shield as part of the proposed Controlled Demolition procedure submission.

v. The demolition debris shield shall provide twenty three feet (23'-0") minimum vertical clearance, or maintain the existing vertical clearance if the existing clearance is less than twenty three feet (23'-0").

vi. Horizontal clearance to the centerline of the track should not be reduced unless approved by the Engineer.

vii. The Contractor shall clean the demolition debris shield daily or more frequently as dictated either by the approved design parameters or as directed by the Engineer.

K. Vertical Demolition Debris Shield

1. This type of shield may be required for substructure removals in close proximity to CSX track and other facilities, as determined by the Engineer.

2. The Agency or its Contractor shall submit detailed plans with detailed calculations, prepared, signed, and sealed by a Professional Engineer, of the protection shield.

V. ERECTION PROCEDURE

A. The Agency or its Contractor shall submit a detailed procedure for erection of a structure with Potential to Foul. The erection procedure must be approved by the Engineer prior to beginning work on the project.

B. Erection work plans shall include a schematic plan depicting the following, at all stages of the construction:

1. All proposed locations of all cranes and equipment, calling out the operating radii.

2. All proposed access and staging locations with all dimensions referenced from the center line of the nearest track.

3. All proposed locations for stockpiling material or locations for truck loading.

4. The location, with relevant dimensions, of all tracks, other railroad facilities; wires, poles, adjacent structures, or buried utilities that could be affected, showing that the proposed lifts are clear of these obstructions.

C. No crane or equipment may be set on the CSX rails or track structure and no material may be dropped on CSX property.

D. For erection of a structure over the tracks, the following information shall be submitted for review and acceptance by the Engineer, at least thirty (30) days prior to erection:

1. As-built beam seat elevations – field surveyed upon completion of pier/abutment construction.

2. Current Top of Rail (TOR) elevations – field measured at the time of as-built elevation collection.

3. Computations verifying the anticipated minimum vertical clearance in the final condition which accounts for all deflection and camber, based upon the current TOR and as-built beam seat elevations. The anticipated minimum

vertical clearance shall be greater than or equal to that which is indicated by the approved plans. Vertical clearance (see definitions) is measured from TOR to the lowest point on the overhead structure at any point within six feet (6'-0") from centerline of the track. Calculations shall be signed and sealed by a Professional Engineer.

E. Girders or girder systems shall be stable at all times during erection. No crane may unhook prior to stabilizing the beam or girder.

1. Lateral wind forces for the temporary conditions shall be considered in accordance with AREMA, Chapter 8, Section 28.6.2. The minimum lateral wind pressure shall be fifteen pounds per square foot (15 psf).

2. Temporary bracing shall be provided at the piers, abutments, or other locations to resist overturning and/or buckling of the member(s). The agency shall submit a design and details of the proposed temporary bracing system, for review by the Engineer.

3. Temporary bracing shall not be removed until sufficient lateral bracing or diaphragm members have been installed to establish a stable condition. Supporting calculations, furnished by the Professional Engineer, shall confirm the stable condition.

F. Erection procedure submissions shall also include the following information:

1. All hoisting details, as dictated by Section III of this document.

2. A time schedule for each of the various stages must be shown as well as a schedule for the entire lifting procedure. The proposed time frames for all critical subtasks (i.e., performing aerial splices, installing temporary bracing, installation of diaphragm members, etc.) shall be furnished so that the potential impact(s) to CSX operations may be assessed and eliminated or minimized.

3. The names and experience of the key Contractor personnel involved in the operation shall be included in the Contractor's means and methods submission.

4. A guardrail will be required to be installed in a track in the proximity of temporary bents or shoring towers, when located within twelve feet (12'-0") from the centerline of the track. The guardrail will be installed by CSX forces, at the expense of the Agency or its Contractor.

5. Design and supporting calculations prepared by the Professional Engineer for items including the temporary support of components or intermediate stages shall be submitted for review.

VI. TEMPORARY EXCAVATION AND SHORING

A. The Agency or its Contractor shall submit a detailed design and procedure for the installation of a sheeting/shoring system adjacent to the tracks. Shoring protection shall be provided when excavating with Potential to Foul, or as otherwise determined by CSX. Shoring shall be provided in accordance with the AREMA, except as noted below.

B. Shoring may not be required if all of the following conditions are satisfied:

1. The excavation does not encroach within the Theoretical Live Load Influence Zone. Please refer to Figure 1.

2. The track structure is situated on level ground, or in a cut section, and on stable soil.

3. The excavation does not adversely impact the stability of a CSX facility (i.e., signal bungalow, drainage facility, undergrade bridge, building, etc), or the stability of any structure on, over, or adjacent to CSX property with potential to foul.

4. Shoring is not required by any governing federal, state, local or other construction code.

C. Shoring is required when excavating the toe of an embankment. Excavation of any embankment which supports an active CSX track structure without shoring will not be permitted.

D. Trench boxes are not an acceptable means of shoring. Trench boxes are prohibited for use on CSX property or within the Theoretical Railroad Live Load Influence Zone.

E. Shoring shall be a cofferdam-type, which completely encloses the excavation. However, where justified by site or work conditions, partial cofferdams with open sides away from the track may be permissible, as determined by the Engineer.

F. Cofferdams shall be constructed using interlocking steel sheet piles, or when approved by the Engineer, steel soldier piles with timber lagging. Wales and struts shall be included when dictated by the design.

G. The use of tiebacks can be permissible for temporary shoring systems, when conditions warrant. Tiebacks shall have a minimum clear cover of 6'-0", measured from the bottom of the rail. Upon completion of the work, tiebacks shall be grouted, cut off, and remain in place.

H. All shoring systems on, or adjacent to CSX right-of-way, shall be equipped with railings or other fall protection, compliant with the governing federal, state or local requirements. Area around pits shall be graded to eliminate all potential tripping hazards.

I. Interlocking steel sheet piles shall be used for shoring systems qualifying one or more of the following conditions:

1. Within 18'-0" of the nearest track centerline
2. Within the live load influence zone
3. Within slopes supporting the track structure
4. As otherwise deemed necessary by the Engineer.

J. Sheet piles qualifying for one or more of the requirements listed in Section VI.I (above) of this document shall not be removed. Sheet piles shall be left in place and cut off a minimum of 3'-0" below the finished grade, the ditch line invert, or as otherwise directed by the Engineer. The ground shall be backfilled and compacted immediately after sheet pile is cut off.

K. The following design considerations shall be considered when preparing the shoring design package:

1. Shoring shall be designed to resist a vertical live load surcharge of 1,880 lbs. per square foot, in addition to active earth pressure. The surcharge shall be assumed to act on a continuous strip, eight feet six inches (8'-6") wide. Lateral pressures due to surcharge shall be computed using the strip load formula shown in AREMA Manual for Railway Engineering, Chapter 8, Part 20.
2. Allowable stresses in materials shall be in accordance with AREMA Chapter 7, 8, and 15.3.
3. A minimum horizontal clearance of ten feet (10'-0") from centerline of the track to face of nearest point of shoring shall be maintained, provided a twelve feet (12'-0") roadbed is maintained with a temporary walkway and handrail system.

4. For temporary shoring systems with Potential to Foul, piles shall be plumb under full dead load. Maximum deflection at the top of wall, under full live load, shall be as follows:

i. One-half (1/2) inch for walls within twelve feet (12'-0") of track centerline (Measured from centerline of the nearest track to the nearest point of the supporting structure).

ii. One (1) inch for walls located greater than twelve feet (12'-0") from track centerline

L. Shoring work plans shall be submitted in accordance with Section II of this document, as well as the following additional requirements:

1. The work plan shall include detailed drawings of the shoring systems calling out the sizes of all structural members, details of all connections. Both plan and elevation drawings shall be provided, calling out dimensions from the face of shoring relative to the nearest track centerline. The elevation drawing shall also show the height of shoring, and track elevation in relation to bottom of excavation.

2. Full design calculations for the shoring system shall be furnished.

3. A procedure for cutting off the sheet pile, backfilling and restoring the embankment.

VII. TRACK MONITORING

A. When work being performed has the potential to disrupt the track structure, a work plan must be submitted detailing a track monitoring program which will serve to monitor and detect both horizontal and vertical movement of the CSX track and roadbed.

B. The program shall specify the survey locations, the distance between the location points, and frequency of monitoring before, during, and after construction. CSX reserves to the right to modify the survey locations and monitoring frequency as necessary during the project.

C. The survey data shall be collected in accordance with the approved frequency and immediately furnished to the Engineer for analysis.

D. If any movement has occurred as determined by the Engineer, CSX will be immediately notified. CSX, at its sole discretion, shall have the right to immediately require all contractor operations to be ceased, have the excavated area immediately backfilled and/or determine what corrective action is required. Any corrective action required by CSX or performed by CSX including the monitoring of corrective action of the contractor will be at project expense.
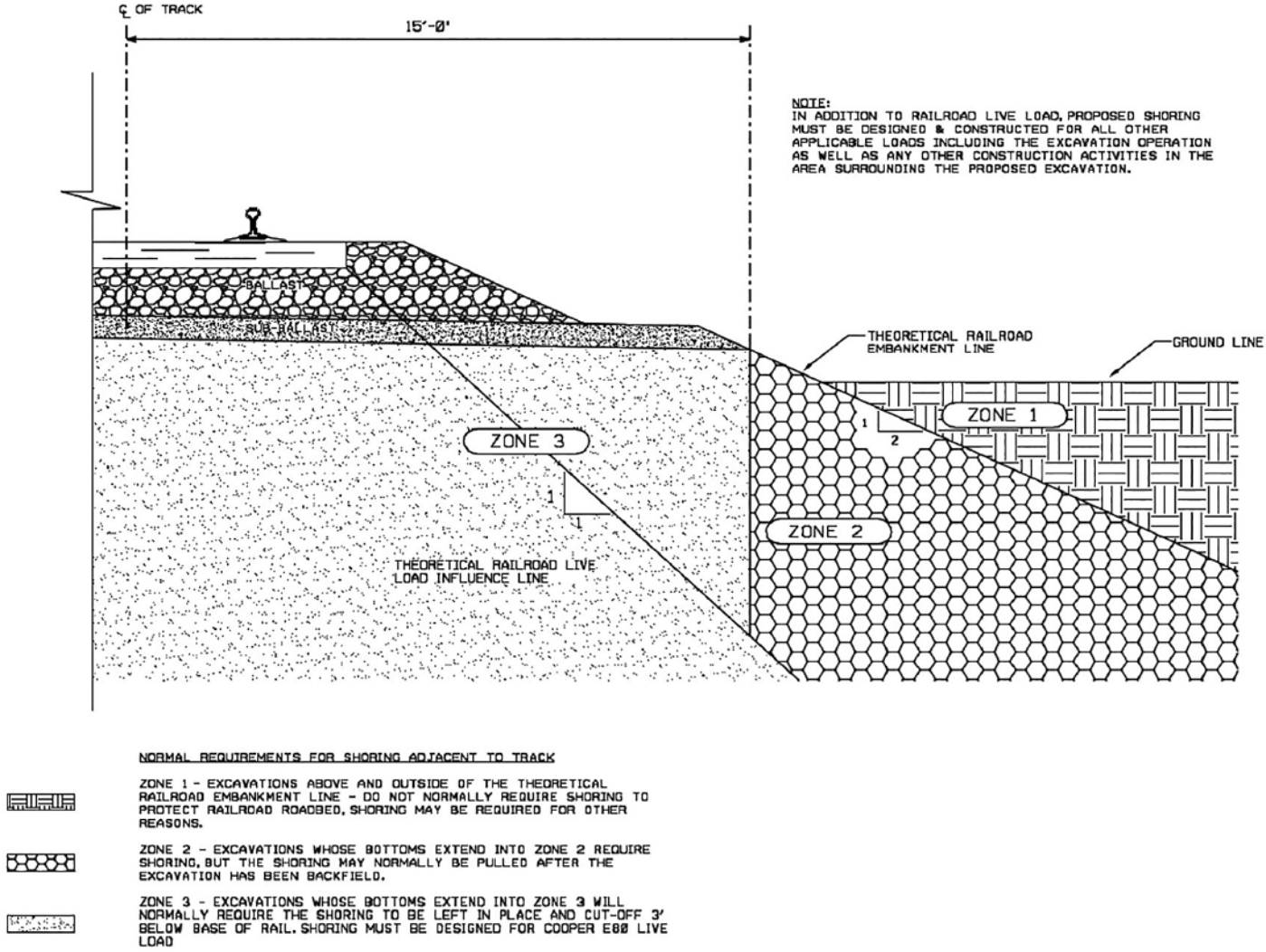
FIGURE 1: Theoretical Live Load Influence Zone