

CONSTRUCTION SPECIFICATION

MI-162. SALVAGING AND SPREADING TOPSOIL

1. **SCOPE**
The work shall consist of salvaging topsoil from borrow pits or other excavations and spreading it in the designated areas to the specified depths.
2. **QUALITY OF TOPSOIL**
Topsoil shall consist of friable soil reasonably free of grass, roots, weeds, sticks, stones or other foreign materials.
3. **EXCAVATION**
Topsoil shall be removed after clearing and grubbing and removing vegetation. Objectionable materials shall be removed and buried, or disposed of, at locations approved by the NRCS inspector.
4. **SPREADING**
Spreading shall not be done when the ground or topsoil is frozen, excessively wet or otherwise in a condition detrimental to the work. Surfaces to be covered shall be lightly scarified just prior to the spreading operation.

All earth fills not to be submerged shall be covered with topsoil to a depth of 6 to 18 inches (150 to 450 mm) measured normal to the surface of the fill and placed to the neat lines shown on the drawings.

After placement is completed, the topsoil surface shall be finished to a reasonably smooth surface.