

## DIVISION 32 – EXTERIOR IMPROVEMENTS

### SECTION 32 91 13.19 – PLANTING SOIL MIXING

#### PART 1: GENERAL

##### 1.01 Scope of Standard

- A. This standard provides general guidance concerning the specific preferences of the Texas State University for Planting Soil Mix.
- B. Texas State University-San Marcos recognizes that project conditions and requirements vary, thus precluding the absolute adherence to the items identified herein in all cases. However, unless there is adequate written justification, it is expected that these guidelines will govern the design and specifications for Texas State University projects.

##### 1.02 General

- A. Planting Mix for Turf Areas:
  - 1. Only planting mix that is high in organic content and well drained, from the San Marcos area should be used.
  - 2. Percent (%) sand, silt and clay of soil test should be provided to Texas State University project manager prior to installation, when requested by Texas State. Not needed if requested soils are utilized.
  - 3. Planting mix shall be free of obvious weed remnants which will likely result in weed re-growth. Any variance would be approved by Director of Grounds Operations or delegate.
  - 4. Soils placed in turf areas will be slightly compacted to help alleviate settling.
- B. Planting Mix for Bed Areas:
  - 1. Only weed free composted planting mix that is high in organic content and well drained should be used.
  - 2. Soils placed in beds will be compacted slightly to help alleviate settling.
- C. All planting mix used in beds or turf areas is to be approved by Director of Grounds Operations or delegate. After accepting soil, proof by way of shipping slips or receipts will be provided the project manager for all soils and each load of soil used on site. Incorrect soils will be removed from site by contractor responsible.

#### PART 2: PRODUCTS

- A. Approved Planting Mix for Turf Areas: “Composted Topsoil”, “Contractors four way Mix” or similar material located at Garden Ville, or similar company in Central Texas.

- B. Approved Planting Mix for landscaped beds: "Lawn and Garden" or similar located at Garden Ville, or similar type company, in Central Texas.

**PART 3: EXECUTION (NOT USED)**

END OF SECTION 32 91 13.19