

Construction Advisory

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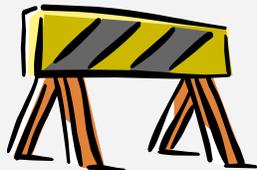
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Slope Restoration, Turf Establishment, and Ryegrass Seed

This construction advisory applies to all active and future contracts.

Field observations and discussions have determined that contractors are providing annual ryegrass seed in permanent seeding mixtures at no cost to the department. Although this is additional seed at no cost, the annual ryegrass seed is not providing a benefit to the restored area. The annual ryegrass germinates fast and typically only lasts a year and uses up the nutrients and moisture in the soil, hindering the seed in the specified mix from growing. Construction engineers should not permit annual ryegrass in permanent seeding. Seed mixes must conform to the specified species and proportions unless approved by Roadside Development.

Please share this construction advisory with consultants in your area as well as TSC staff.