PURPOSE: To Establish Uniform Procedures for Staking Channel Changes And Ditches.

This work is generally indicated as Unclassified Excavation. In some cases, the item of Channel Excavation may be indicated in the contract, with the material to be used to fill old channels, washes, gullies or wasted as directed. When used in the roadbed or other required embankment construction, Channel Excavation will be reclassified as Unclassified Excavation as provided in Subsection S-203.02.5 of the Standard Specifications.

In either case, the site from which the excavation is to be made will require slope staking in accordance with S.O.P. No. SA II-1-65, and cross-sectioning in accordance with S.O.P. No. SA II-1-64 if measurement for payment is to be made by the FM Method.

In nearly all instances, the plans will show the typical section to be used for the construction of channels and special ditches. In the event a typical section is not indicated on the plans, the channel or ditch should be of sufficient dimensions determined to accommodate existing field conditions and requirements.